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COVID-19

Business limits lifted

25% in state have at least one vaccine dose

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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As the vaccine rollout continues and an estimated 24 percent of Pennsylvania residents have received at least one dose as of last week, Governor Tom Wolf has announced further easing of restrictions for businesses.

Effective April 4, restaurants may resume bar service; alcohol service will be allowed without the purchase of food; the curfew for removing alcoholic drinks from tables will be lifted; and indoor dining capacity will be raised to 75 percent for those restaurants that are currently self-certified. Those restaurants that do not self-certify may raise capacity to 50 percent. Outdoor dining, curbside pick-up and takeout are still encouraged.

Requirements such as mask-wearing and social distancing, including 6 feet between diners, also still apply.

Capacity for other businesses also will be increased effective April 4, including moving personal services facilities, gyms and entertainment facilities (casinos, theaters, malls) to 75 percent occupancy.

The governor also announced revised maximum occupancy limits for indoor events to allow for 25 percent of maximum occupancy, regardless of venue size, and maximum occupancy limits for outdoor events to allow for 50 percent of maximum occupancy, regardless of venue size. Maximum occupancy is permitted

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Please contact editor George Taylor (gtaylor@tnonline.com) by email by the end of this week so you can be included in an article to be published prior to the election.



Bill Parrish brings his wife Connie to visit his former childhood home at the Sayre Mansion Feb. 8, 2021.

BY ED COURRIER
Special to the Bethlehem Press

“Don't you know you can't go home again?” remarked journalist Ella Winter to Thomas Wolfe, who incorporated the conversation into his novel, “You Can't Go Home Again.”

Bill Parrish recently did get to “go home again” to where he had spent much of his early childhood. Like the meaning behind that quote, Parrish found much has changed at the Sayre Mansion where he had lived when it was apartments. Born in 1939 in Kingston, Pa., he and his family relocated to Bethlehem in 1941. They moved to Hellertown in 1950.

Built by Robert Heysham Sayre at 250 Wyandotte St. in the 1850s, the Gothic Revival-style mansion is now a popular bed and breakfast. Between housing the Sayre family and becoming apartments, it was a fraternity house after Sayre's widow gifted the mansion to Lehigh University in 1914.

Parrish, a 1956 Hellertown High and 1961 Lehigh University graduate, and his wife Connie often drove past the estate on their way



Ten-year-old Bill Parrish photographed at the living room window in his family's Sayre Mansion apartment in 1949.



Parrish revisits the living room that had been part of his family's Sayre Mansion home.

to Lehigh games from their home in Orwigsburg. Bethlehem was also Connie's hometown. She graduated from Liberty HS in 1960.

The couple first met at a Lehigh fraternity party.

“He was lit, so I put a lampshade on him,” Connie quipped. Bill referred to her as his “townie.” She had attended Kutztown University. Now married for 59 years, they raised three girls and are the

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PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

What do you think about Japan banning all overseas spectators from attending the Olympics this July?



“I kind of agree with that because if people from all over the world attend they could spread the virus and take the virus back home.”

Kelly Fitzpatrick
Allentown



“It sounds like the right thing to do with the times we're living in.”

Steve & Kathleen Barr
Hellertown

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Kate Congdon
Bethlehem



"It seems reasonable."
Matt Congdon
Bethlehem



"That's harsh."
George Ozturk
Glassboro, N.J.



"Is it it going to generate the same revenue? No. But you have to be conscious of protecting your own people."
Mike Milburne
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COVID-19 VACCINATIONS PHONE NUMBERS

Not everyone is online or Internet efficient. Here are some phone numbers you can call for vaccination appointments. Please let us know of any additional sites offering shots. Email: gtaylor@tnonline.com.

Veterans Affairs

(Wilkes-Barre for appointments in Allentown)
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(610)-890-7069

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(610) 865-7092

Northampton County Department of Aging, which will assist in making appointments with Bethlehem Health Department. However, "mail box is full and no space to leave a message."

St. Luke's University Health Network

(866)-785-8537, Option 7, then Option 1

Lehigh Valley Health Network

(833)-584-6283

Rite Aid

(610)-437-7261 (refers caller to website)

Walmart and Sam's Club

No phone, access via website

Walgreens

(800)-925-4733 (refers caller to voice menu to select suitable location)

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(610)-807-9045, Option 1, Option 1

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Bill Parrish clears snow from his dad's 1942 Chevy in January 1948. His family resided in the first floor apartment behind him at the time.



PRESS PHOTO COURTESY BILL PARRISH

Bill Parrish and his buddy Jimmy Quinn hunker in an old wood washtub on the Sayre property in 1942. The garages behind them no longer exist. Quinn was the son of the property's maintenance man.

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grandparents of four.

Parrish finally decided to book a room in January 2021, when he was in town for a doctor appointment. He figured it would have been too late in the day to return home.

He brought his wife back Feb. 8 to show her where his family used to reside. To the delight of the property management company Settlers Hospitality General Manager Sarah Trimmer, Parrish was able to rattle off the names of his former neighbors and recount how the building had been subdivided into eight apartment units.

Trimmer described how the former mansion was restored to its former glory while being repurposed as a B&B in 1992. The walls partitioning the apartments were removed. Much of what had been the Parrish family's three-bedroom apartment, where Bill, his parents, and maternal grandmother lived, is now a kitchen and pantry. The family's living room is currently guest room number 15, with its own bath. The family's bathroom is now a hallway restroom.

Bill's dad, Archibald L. Parrish Jr., was a civil engineer at Bethlehem Steel and would walk to work. Bill walked to Madison

Elementary School. His mother, Sara Bray Parrish, was employed as a sales clerk at R. K. Laros Silk Mill at this time. She later taught school in Hellertown.

Parrish reminisced about earning a little money for singing in the boys choir in the Cathedral Church of the Nativity across the street. He also recalled breaking out in an irritating poison ivy rash after sledding in the yard. "January!" he exclaimed, reflecting the disbelief he felt at the time.

Every summer, the apartment residents would enjoy a picnic in the yard, recalled Parrish.

He and his mother were waiting for his father to come home from work when they saw a pedestrian hit by a car in front of the mansion. His panicked mom was beside herself, he said, before she realized the victim wasn't her husband.

Connie Parrish's father also worked at Bethlehem Steel, and she recalled being a Rainbow Girl at the Masonic Temple next door to the Sayre Mansion.

Parrish was employed in business management positions in various industries before retiring. He is currently serving as pastor at Covenant United Methodist Church in Schuylkill Haven.

The restored Lehigh Valley inn offers 19



Bill Parrish points to where his dad regularly parked the family car. His family occupied the apartment on the first floor at left where the kitchen and pantry are now located. The family living room is one of the rooms available for overnight stays.



Settlers Hospitality General Manager Sarah Trimmer in the mansion's central hallway.



Bill Parrish recalls how his mother had whitewashed the walls of this basement room to provide meeting space for his Cub Scout pack. It once served as Sayre's wine cellar and has reverted to its original purpose for the bed and breakfast.

mansion guestrooms and four carriage house suites. Common rooms are available for gatherings. There is a tent for outdoor affairs on the terrace.

While the pandemic hit the hospitality industry hard, Trimmer said, "We never closed because we're lodging, which is considered essential." She acknowledged that business slowed down considerably with the cancellation of in-person events like Celtic Fest and Lehigh graduations.

Weddings, receptions, corporate meetings and other income-generating events evaporated. According to Trimmer, the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans helped immensely.

Although some 2021 events have been canceled, they have found success with their Thursday afternoon English teas, while following COVID safety rules, according to Trimmer.

Information: sayremansion.com or call 610-882-2100

ATTENTION PRIMARY CANDIDATES

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Please contact us **immediately** so we can include you in our Primary Election coverage.

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- In East Penn and Salisbury Township: Debbie Galbraith at dgalbraith@tnonline.com
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- In Northampton County, Bethlehem, Bethlehem Township, Fountain Hill, Hanover (NORCO) Township; Freemansburg and Hellertown: George Taylor at gtaylor@tnonline.com

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

VIRTUAL TOWN HALL: The Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) will hold a virtual town hall meeting on the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 for municipal leaders March 25, from 9-10 a.m.

Speakers will include Lamont McClure, Senator Bob Casey Jr., Representative Susan Wild, Senator Mario Scavello (PA District 40), Senator Lisa Boscola (PA District 18) and Fadia Halma, the regional director of Pennsylvania DCED. Speakers may be added and/or subject to change.

The town hall will be held on Zoom. For questions, please contact Dawn Tomaino at 610-829-6309 or dtomaino@northamptoncounty.org

Link to the meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/95343166041?pwd=Umc5Q2RHR0hDQ2I6b0FN3BMcHoxZz09>

Meeting ID: 953 4316 6041
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LEHIGH VALLEY

CORNOR'S REPORT: Between Jan. 1 and March 16, the Northampton County Coroner recorded 137 COVID-19 related deaths in Northampton County (114 residents/23 non-residents). As of March 14, the Lehigh County Coroner reported 57 deaths of Northampton County residents. Between the two counties, 171 deaths of Northampton County residents from COVID-19 have been reported this year.

"With spring weather approaching, I know people are eager to get out and socialize in groups," says Lamont McClure. "But COVID-19 is still active in our area. I urge everyone to keep wearing a mask, maintain a social distance of six feet when possible and get the vaccine when it becomes available."

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

HOLIDAY EVENTS

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

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Saturday, March 27

Easter Egg hunt, 1 to 3 p.m. Southside Arts District. Reservations required: visit <https://southsideartsdistrict.com/event/easter-egg-hunt/> to sign up. A custom map will be emailed on March 25. Using the map, participants may enter designated businesses and search for the three eggs containing candy. Arts and crafts will be available at Color Me Mine. Get a chance to meet the Easter Bunny for a free photo. Wear a medical mask when inside and outside during this event to ensure safety.

Baked goods, including Easter nut and apricot rolls, Easter candy sale. Sour cherry jelly, limited number of additional jars. No jelly pre-orders; available while they last when picking up baked goods. 4:45 to 5:30 p.m. For other orders, call 610-867-4839 or 610-866-8351. Holy Ghost Church, 417 Carlton Ave.

AROUND TOWN

Digital and virtual events

Banana Factory online digital exhibitions and more: www.bananafactory.org.

Bethlehem Area Public Library: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsuAN4Af6kv3jQ11us_WkWoQ/featured for a variety of items. Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 E. Church St. Visit www.bapl.org/events/categories/virtual-events/. Buildings are open. General information: visit www.bapl.org (main) or at www.facebook.com/paBAPL or www.bapl.org/ssmain.htm (Southside). YouTube channel: visit www.youtube.com/channel/UCsuAN4Af6kv3jQ11us_WkWoQ/featured

Historic Bethlehem Museums and Sites digital programming: visit <https://historicbethlehem.org> or call 610-882-0450.

National Museum of Industrial History virtual museum. 602 E. Second St. Visit <http://nmih.org/virtualmuseum>; call 610-694-6644 for schedules.

Through Thursday, April 15

Public spring student art exhibit, 6 to 8 p.m. Corpora Gallery, Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts, 321 E. Third St.

Through Sunday, August 29

Machines of Interest: two dozen original prints by photographer Stephen Mallon. 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. National Museum of Industrial History, 602 E Second St. Information: visit www.nmih.org/machines-of-interest/

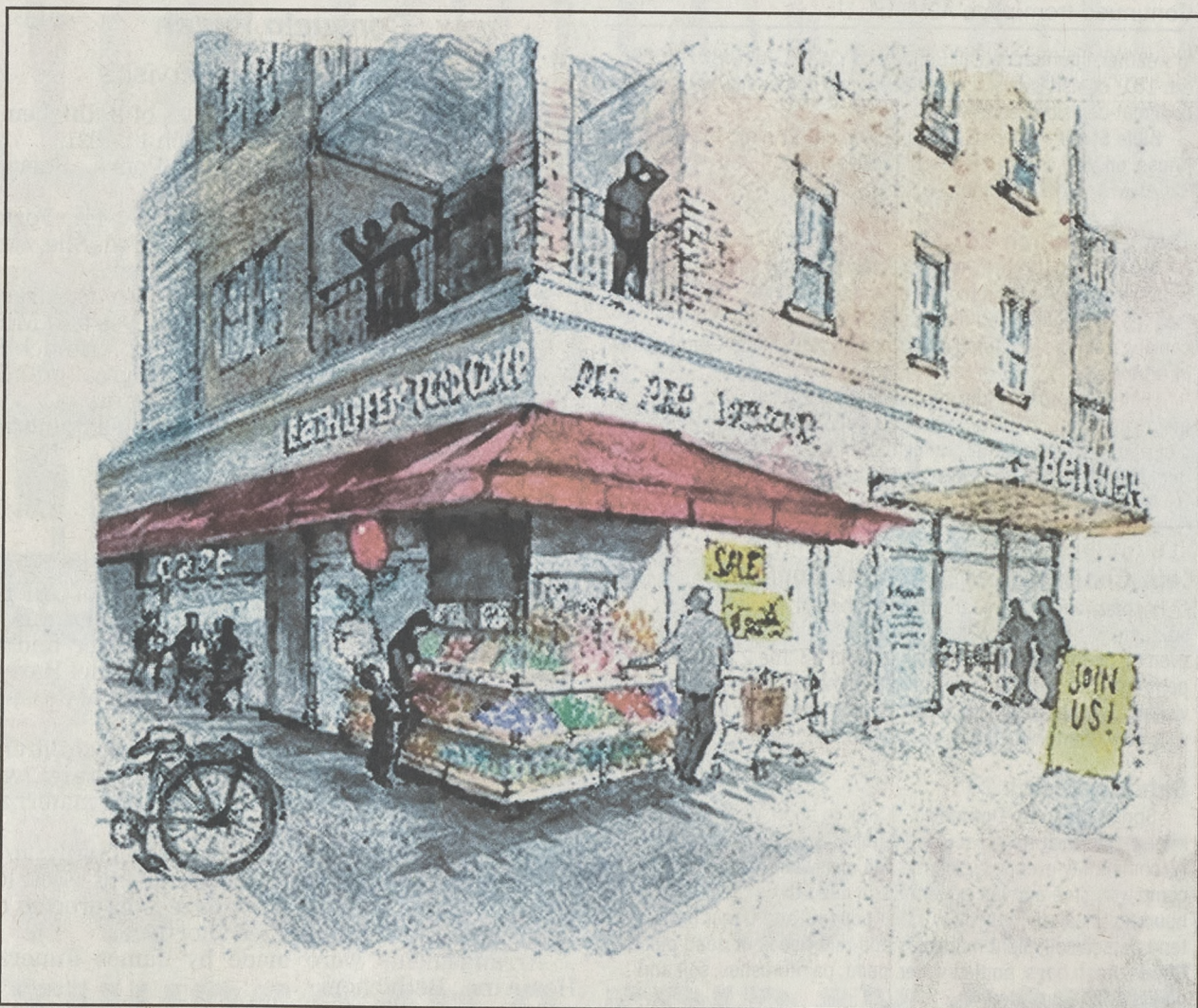
Friday, March 19 to Friday, April 2

Virtual/online New To You and Vintage Barn sale, (item pick up and outdoor in person market, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 10 and 11). Burnside Plantation, 1461 Schoenersville Road. Visit <https://historicbethlehem.org/events/new-to-you/>

Wednesday, March 24

Great Decisions Foreign Policy Lecture: "The end of globalization?" 11 a.m. to 12:30 pm, Kirkland Village Auditorium, 1 Kirkland Circle. Rescheduled if Bethlehem schools are closed due

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Plans call for demolition of the existing one-story structure on East Broad Street and the construction of a four-story building with the Bethlehem Food Co-Op as the first floor tenant. Residential units will complete the upper stories.

Bethlehem Food Co-Op signs lease, announces new city store location

The Bethlehem Food Co-Op has signed a lease on a property in the north Bethlehem downtown neighborhood for its proposed full-service, community owned grocery store. The store is projected to open in 2022 and will be open to all shoppers.

At a virtual presentation to its membership March 12, board Chair Kelly R. Allen announced the store location at 250 E. Broad St.

The co-op is partnering with Peron Development and Boyle Construction for the project, and a proposed rendering of the building was shared during the presentation. Plans call for demolition of the existing one-story structure and the construction of a four-story building with the Bethlehem Food Co-Op as the first floor tenant. Residential units will complete the upper stories.

In video remarks made as part of the presentation, Bethlehem Mayor Bob Donchez noted, "Opening a full-service grocery store in the neighborhood, especially on our north side, is vital to our city as we move forward, especially implementing Northside 2027. This is a perfect fit for the neighborhood, a perfect fit for the north side."

Peron Development and Boyle Construction issued a statement saying they are excited to partner with the Bethlehem Food Co-Op "to offer a unique space with incredible access, parking and walkability for Bethlehem residents."

"We saw this as a way of giving back to the Bethlehem community, a place that is convenient and fulfills the fresh grocery needs of downtown residents," said Mike Perrucci of Peron Development.

"The residents living there will love having the co-op below them and the co-op will have a whole bunch of new members."

A capital campaign, to be launched in the spring, will raise \$1.7 million to build and outfit the store. Each of the nine members of the board of directors has signed on with a "Leadership Commitment" to financially support the new store. The funds will be raised from donations, member loans, bank loans, and grants. Sponsorships and naming rights will also be available.

A large banner, "Future Home of the Bethlehem Food Co-Op", crafted by the Northampton Community College Fab Lab, is now on the site.

Volunteers were on hand from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. for "Curbside with the Co-Op"; those driving by pulled up and

picked up co-op marketing items, and those who are not yet members, received membership information.

Initially organized in 2011, the Bethlehem Food Co-op has over 800 member-owners. Its store will be open to all shoppers, and feature healthy, nutritious, locally-sourced products. The organization's mission also focuses on educational, environmental, and social justice initiatives.

Plans for the store include soliciting local vendors to supply produce and products, as well as the inclusion of bulk bins, a community kitchen, community meeting room, small area for outdoor dining, a bike rack and off-street parking.

For more information, visit bethlehemfood.coop.

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only if attendees and workers are able to comply with the 6-foot physical distancing requirement.

"Pennsylvanians have stepped up and done their part to help curb the spread of COVID-19," Wolf said. "Our case counts continue to go down,

hospitalizations are declining, and the percent positivity rate gets lower every week - all very positive signs. The number of people getting vaccinated increases daily and we are seeing light at the end of the tunnel. It's time to allow our restaurants, bars and other service businesses to get back to more normal operations."

As of March 18, Pennsylvania vaccine providers have administered more than 3.9 million doses of vaccine, 24 percent of Pennsylvanians have received at least one dose and more than 1.3 million Pennsylvanians are fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

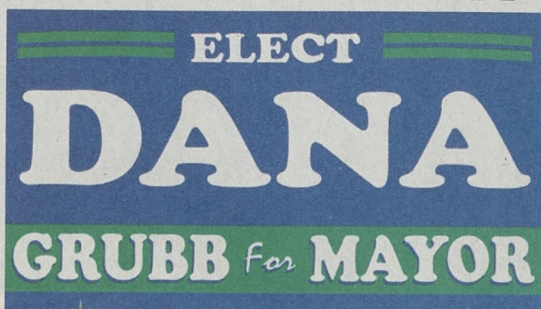
Pennsylvania ranks second in the nation for the number of COVID-19

vaccines administered per 100,000 people over the past week.

As of Monday, the state has 844,567 confirmed COVID-19 cases and 24,789 deaths. Lehigh County has 32,671 confirmed and 799 deaths; Northampton County has 28,955 confirmed and 669 deaths; the city of Bethlehem has 7,013 confirmed and 102 deaths.

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Bible Study - Open to men and women, 11 a.m.; The Paper House, origami craft. Women's Ministries-ages 14 and over. 1 p.m. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road.

Thursday, March 25

Taste of Art, L.U. art gallery selections pairing with recipes from the SouthSide community. Interactive lectures, DIY- at-home tastings, storytelling and discussion, Interactive lectures and cooking demos are offered in partnership with Maite Gomez-Rejon of ArtBites.

Limited number of free kits available at Zoellner Arts Center main gallery; at restaurant partner locations. To register and receive the kit, visit <https://lehigh.zoom.us/j/911270481414>

Program: TBA 10:45 a.m., seniors 50 and over. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road.

Friday, March 26 to Sunday, March 28

Virtual Young Choreographers in Concert, final exam for 25 students of the Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts course. 7 p.m. evening performances are March 26 and 27. The 2 p.m. matinee performances are March 27 and 28. Tickets may be purchased by visiting www.showtix4u.com/events/charterarts. For information, visit www.CharterArts.org.

Saturday March 27

Spring Clean Up Downtown, 9 a.m. to noon. Wear a mask. For information, visit <https://southsideartsdistrict.com/events/category/community-events>; sign up: email missy@southsideartsdistrict.com come with time and job preferred (no need to be there all three hours) to clean the greenway, paint bollards and flower pots and tend pots, reseed, plant marigolds and pull weeds or dead plants. Gloves, trash bags, bottled water, paint, paintbrushes, soil and plants will be provided.

Participants are requested to wear a mask. For information, visit <https://southsideartsdistrict.com/events/category/community-events> and, to sign up, email missy@southsideartsdistrict.com with the preferred job(s) and time(s). There is no need to stay for all three hours.

Historic Downtown Bethlehem Soup Saunter to support nine community restaurants. The 60 tickets are timed and limited; for information and to sign up, visit getdowntownbethlehem.com/soup-saunter. Participants who vote online will be entered to win a \$50 downtown Bethlehem gift certificate. Winning restaurant will be awarded the Golden Spoon during a Facebook live presentation on March 29 at www.facebook.com/events/1176758629441970. Easter Egg hunt, 1 to 3 p.m. SouthSide Arts District. Reservations required: visit <https://southsideartsdistrict.com/event/easter-egg-hunt/> to sign up.

Wednesday, March 31

11 a.m. Bible Study - Open to men and women; 1 p.m. Easter worship with Rachel Schmoey. Women's Ministries-ages 14 and over. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road.

Beginning May 1

Mayor Robert J. Donchez announced the City of Bethlehem and the Kellyn Foundation have combined forces to increase access to healthy foods in the City of Bethlehem. With financial assistance from the city's Community Development Block Grant COVID funds, the Kellyn Foundation will be adding 1 to 2 days to its current schedule of providing an "Eat Real Food" Mobile Market to provide locally farmed fruits and vegetables to the Southside starting May 1.

"I was saddened to learn of the closing of Ahart's Market located in the city's Southside. In response, I want to let the public know we are doing everything we can to recruit another grocery store," said Mayor Donchez. "In the interim, we have partnered with Kellyn Foundation, a nonprofit corporation that has a mission to develop, support, facilitate and implement food programs that encourage family and community physical and emotional wellness."

The Mobile Market plans weekly stops at a selected site to provide families with locally grown fresh produce at an affordable price. Market staff also provides market customers with nutritional and cooking education. Family vouchers will be available to South Side residents.

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Consuelo Pagan

Forte Neckwear supervisor



Consuelo Pagan, 92, of Bethlehem, died at home on March 17, 2021.

She was born in Ponce, Puerto Rico.

She was a supervisor for Forte Neckwear until she retired. She was a seamstress and crocheter.

She is survived by four children, Wilson Pagan, Alice Pagan, Nancy Reyes and Mildred French; a niece, Wilda Gonzalez; grandchildren; great-grandchildren; and great-great-grandchildren; and extended family and friends.

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

Jennifer D. Hrycko

of Allentown



Jennifer D. Hrycko, 30, of Allentown, died March 10, 2021. She was a daughter of Michelle Harrier and a stepdaughter of the late Daniel Harrier. She was the companion of Joseph Craig.

She is survived by two children, Trynity Craig and Ryker Craig; two sisters, Nicole and Julie Harrier; and her maternal grandmother, Patricia Hrycko.

Contributions may be made to the family, c/o James Funeral Home Inc., 527 Center St., Bethlehem, PA 18018. A Go Fund Me page is in process of being set up and will be listed shortly.

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

Jason J. Dudeck

LHS graduate

Jason J. Dudeck, 45, of Bethlehem, died March 11, 2021, at Lehigh Valley Hospital, Muhlenberg. Born in Allentown, he was a son of Lisa (Kontier) Kisslinger and Paul Kisslinger of Bethlehem and the late Gary Dudeck.

He was a graduate of Liberty HS. He was a fan of wrestling and was known as the "Spladle Master."

In addition to his parents, he is survived by two sons, Tyler and Jason Dudeck Jr.; four brothers, Matthew Dudeck, Zac Kisslinger, Ryan Kisslinger and Cory Kisslinger; a sister, Sarah Kisslinger; maternal grandparents John and Dolores Kontier; companion Kimmy Applegate; nieces; and nephews

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

John Keyser

of St. John's Windish Lutheran Church

John Keyser, 86, of Bethlehem, died March 18, 2021 in Lehigh Valley Hospital - Muhlenberg. Born in Ramsey, N.J., he was a son of the late John and Hilda (Scholz) Keyser. He was the husband of Helen (Varady) Keyser, for 44 years.

He graduated from Muhlenberg College with a degree in social work and was a member of Phi Kappa Tau. He earned a master's degree in journalism from Lehigh University.

He was a radio operator in the U. S. Marines.

He was a staff reporter for the Morning Call for many years and later for Owens Brockway Company for nine years before he retired.

He was an active member of St. John's Windish Lutheran Church, Bethlehem, where he sang on the choir for over 50 years, taught Sunday School and was on various congregation committees for many years.

He was a member of the Steelworker's Archives, South Bethlehem Historical Society and the Bethlehem/Murska Sobota Sister Cities Association.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a sister, Margaret Richardson (Roger) of Franklin Lakes, New Jersey; a niece; and a nephew.

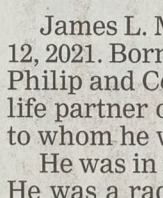
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James L. Montone

of John Ellis Beauty Salon



James L. Montone, 80, of Bethlehem, died March 12, 2021. Born in Hazleton, he was the son of the late Philip and Connie (Zambotti) Montone. He was the life partner of 55 years to John Ellis of Bethlehem, to whom he was married.

He was in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was a radiology technologist for 30 years until he took retirement. He was the owner and manager along with his partner of John Ellis Beauty Salon and several rental properties.

He was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

In addition to his spouse, he is survived by a sister, Carmella Diehl of Hazleton, and five nieces and nephews.

Contributions may be made to the Center for Animal Health and Welfare, 1165 Island Park Road, Easton, PA 18042.

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Roseann Elizabeth Bannon

Postal Service clerk

Roseann Elizabeth Bannon, 65, of Bethlehem, died March 17, 2021, at St. Luke's Hospice House. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Everett Adam and Dorothea (Karch) Howell. She was the wife of the late Timothy P. Bannon for 32 years.

She was a clerk for the U.S. Postal Service, from which she retired.

She found the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

She is survived by a son, Everett "Eddie" J. Bannon; three siblings, Roxanne Rockmore, Randy Howell and Diana Butler; a grandson, Gregory Taylor; and extended family and friends.

She was predeceased by a daughter, Tammy Taylor; and a sister, Gail Rivera.

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Patricia M. (D'Orsi) Casciano

100 years old

Patricia M. (D'Orsi) Casciano, 100, of Lehigh Valley and formerly of Fountain Hill, died March 9, 2021, at her daughters' residence. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Feliciano and Grace (Januzzi). She was the wife of the late Dennis "Cass" Casciano.

She was a 1938 graduate of Bethlehem Catholic HS and attended Bethlehem Business College.

She worked in the offices at Bethlehem Steel Corp. for over 35 years before she retired.

She was involved with the former Most Holy Rosary and Our Lady of Pompeii Catholic Churches and also with St. Ursula Catholic Church, all of Bethlehem. She was secretary of the sodality for many years. She was a lifelong member of the American Legion Post 406, Fountain Hill, and Post 314 of Lehigh Valley, after turning 100 and being a member for over 74 years. She was a past member of the Golden Hillers and the Friendship Club. She was a Brownie and Girl Scout leader in Fountain Hill.

She is survived by a son, Anthony F. (JoAnn) of Hellertown; a daughter, Celeste C. (Thomas) Silvonek of Lehigh Valley; four grandchildren, Lisa, Thomas II, Michael and Tony; and eight great-grandchildren, Alaina, Thomas III, Vito, Tyler, Neeko, Mia, Cara and Owen.

Contributions may be made to Carbon County Animal Shelter, 63 Broad St., Nesquehoning, PA 18240; or to the Ladies Auxiliary of the Lehigh Valley American Legion Post 314, 381 Bridge St., Lehigh Valley, PA 18235.

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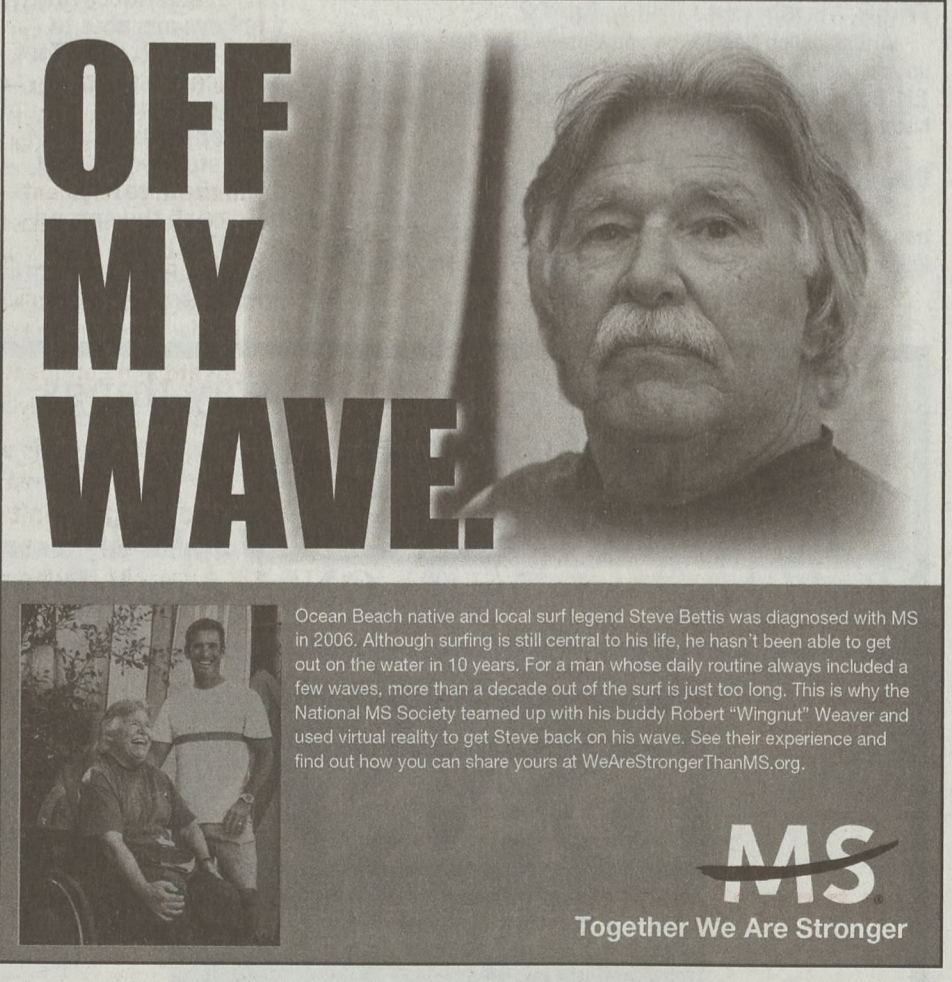
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Ocean Beach native and local surf legend Steve Bettis was diagnosed with MS in 2006. Although surfing is still central to his life, he hasn't been able to get out on the water in 10 years. For a man whose daily routine always included a few waves, 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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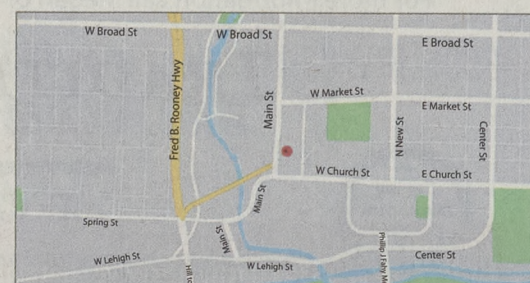
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Report highlights 2020 projects

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Special to the Bethlehem Press

BETHLEHEM PLANNERS

The annual report for Zoning and Planning was presented to the Bethlehem City Planning Commission at its Feb. 11 meeting. The report included highlights of the Planning Commission, Zoning Hearing Board, and the two historic commissions, for the year of 2020. Here are some highlights:

Planning Commission: Expansion of hotel and conference center at Wind Creek Casino, the Lehigh Business and Economics building on Webster Street, and the Westgate Mall development phases.

Zoning Hearing Board: The ongoing validity challenge for a zoning amendment for reuse of corner commercial in RG and RT residential zones. Development of apartments at 810 to 813 Monocacy, in the old Miller Wholesale building. 2105 Creek

Road, a submission for residential units, and a zoning map change.

Planning Director Darlene Heller said the two historic review boards have been "very active" with demands for new developments on the Southside. Heller added there is some conflict with the Southside Planning Initiative. She said, "Our ordinance is very liberal with the Commercial Business District. Both of the city's downtowns (north and south sides) are also historic districts, and the two ordinances are not compatible right now." Heller said the Historic Conservation Commission has had some "challenging reviews," as they are trying to blend both ordinances, and tailor them to the Southside, where demand for new development is strong.

Heller said the work

on the South Bethlehem Greenway is ongoing. The city recently installed an active play area at Adams and Webster streets. Next year Phase Five will extend the Greenway from the bridge area at its southern end, down the slope to the ball fields at Sauton Park.

South Side Vision 2020 is ongoing, working with Community Action Development Corporation of Bethlehem. Assistant Planning Director Tracy Samuelson is working on a lighting plan, targeting new lighting for the demonstration area. Work has also been done by the Housing subcommittee, including the language for the student housing zoning amendment.

Wayfinding and Signage were less active this year, due to a delay in needed PennDOT reviews. For the local

streets, Public Works is seeking a contractor to install signs.

The city received grants from the state Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and Northampton County to improve the Monocacy Way from Schoenersville Road north and Illick's Mill. The city is still seeking grants to connect the trail south to Sand Island and improve the trail.

Work is being done to improve the Zoning Ordinance wording, including short term lodging, student housing and other amendments to make the ordinance more helpful.

The city has received a Walk Works grant, which is a small grant to look at a priority corner, for improvements for pedestrian safety, bike safety, and the design for the entire corridor of East and West Broad Street. The city is also studying placement of a bridge for pedestrians and bikes across the Lehigh River. WRT is the lead consultant. A task force composed of stakeholders, bikers and business owners is studying locations. A grassroots initiative was created to get grant funds for the project, its members will be on the task force.

At the end of the annual report are charts and diagrams with volume of activity. Heller said, "It looks like it has slowed down, but that's hard to believe. We used to see more warehouse developments. We are seeing more infield development, with significant demand for resi-

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

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All City of Bethlehem services are currently in operation. The public is encouraged to conduct as much business as possible via mail, email, online at www.bethlehem-pa.gov and by phone. The Bethlehem Service Center can be reached at (610) 865-7000. In addition, the public is encouraged to use the drop box outside the Church Street entrance to City Hall to make bill payments. City hall is open to the public and is fully operational. Employees are available to assist residents by calling 610-865-7000 or by visiting www.bethlehem-pa.gov.

Theis/Cornfeld Recycling Center will remain open unless otherwise advised. Critical situations, including in-person services provided by the Health Bureau, will be by appointment only. The Bethlehem Service Center is fully operational; call 610-865-7000.

Wednesday, March 24

Bethlehem Parking Authority, 4 p.m. 85 W. North St.
NorCo Industrial Development Authority, 4 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

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

Bethlehem Virtual Zoning Hearing Board, 6 p.m. To view applications, visit www.bethlehem-pa.gov/calendar-planning-zoning, or visit 10 E. Church St. To access meeting, visit <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/282369997>, or via phone at 1 872-240-3212. Access Code: 282-369-997.

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

Wednesday, March 31

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

PEOPLE

Ream, Gomez new Center for Humanistic Change staff

The Center for Humanistic Change announced recently that two local women have been appointed to the center's staff.

Paula Ream is the new manager of administration. She was previously with CMC Energy Services managing outreach to income-eligible multifamily communities for energy efficiency programs provided by a major Pennsylvania utility company. She was an executive director at The Cancer Support Community, L.V. chapter. She worked in senior positions in development, marketing and government affairs at Third Street Alliance, American Red Cross, Via and KidsPeace. She was on several local nonprofit boards, including the Northampton Area Food Bank, Turning Point of L.V., Valley Search and Rescue and the Northampton Area Chamber of Commerce. Her experience includes fundraising, event management, community relations and communications.

Jessica Gomez is a student assistant liaison. She earned a bachelor's of arts in public health, with an interest in English studies from Moravian College. She will be addressing social determinates of health and the barriers to health that school children and families face every day.

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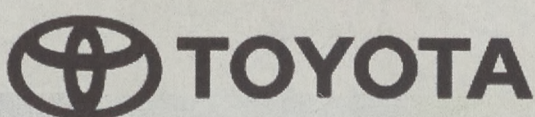
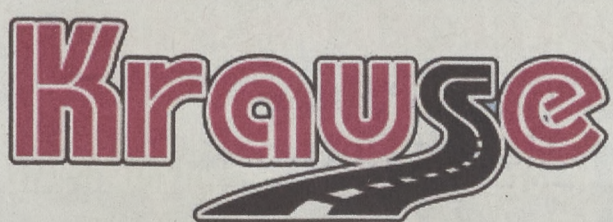
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After being found as a stray in October 2020, **Rosaleigh** is ready for a place to call her own. This 3-year-old little lady is hoping to find someone who understands her food sensitivities and her desire for love. Rosaleigh is a GIANT lovebug and hopes to find her fur-ever home.

Pope is a 4-year-old boxer/shepherd mix looking for love after being returned four years post-adoption. Once you meet Pope, you instantly fall in love. He's friendly, loving, sweet and playful. Pope would do best in an active home with or without children/other dogs.

Shopping at the Steel City Plant Company Juniper Hassler and her mom Kelly pose with Juniper's planned purchase. Dad Ryan said they were also looking for low hanging house plants.



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Steel City Plant open on Main Street

A new joint business venture on Bethlehem's Main Street has paired Domaci Market and Domaci Studio with Angie DelGrosso's new start-up Steel City Plant Company and their Domaci Flea vintage merchandise. DelGrosso, who spends her day job as senior vice president of Bethlehem Initiatives for the greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce, says she "wanted to own my own business. I really have a love of plants and this makes them more accessible in an urban area." She has also made it a family affair, as her dad John provides the muscle to move inventory and her mom Stephanie handles the potting and plant maintenance. Domaci Flea and the Steel City Plant company opened in their



Bethlehem resident Katie Donnelly discusses a spider plant purchase with Steel City Plant Company owner Angie DelGrosso.

551 Main St. second floor suite 205 the first weekend of March, and DelGrosso said lines were

long. Plants and planting accessories are available along with the vintage and antique offerings

at Domaci Flea. Visit steelcityplantco.com for additional information.

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dental units. The potential development of the old Boyd Theater was briefly discussed. According to Heller, the new property owner, Playmen Ayazov has not submitted any plans yet.

Commission member Thomas Barker said, "So last year we had some discussions about Acorn lights on Broad Street. I'm a Westsider, and I get a lot of heat from business owners on the Westside, is there anything new with the lights?"

Heller explained, "We

had a very small grant, for a block or two, plus underground conduits for a block or two but there is no more funding."

Barker asked, "How do we get them to move on this, to 15th Street?"

Heller explained that they do plan to do that, but installing decorator street lights is an expensive investment. "The 250k grant got us one or two blocks; there are not many grants that can be used for that, it's still on the table."

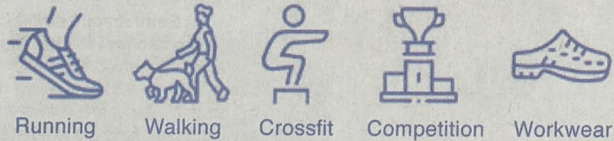
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Don't forget, now is the time to register for travel tryouts at Bethlehem Soccer Club. It's free to sign up.

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BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Bethlehem Catholic's road to the state final came to an end on Saturday when Philly ball got the best of the Lady Hawks and they lost to Cardinal O'Hara, 64-55, in the PIAA State Class 5A quarterfinal at Cardinal O'Hara High School.

It was late in the first quarter when the Lions took an eight-point lead,

and Becahi coach Jose Medina called a timeout.

Two free throws and a bucket by Becahi forward Cydney Stanton off a steal by Kiki Walters, and two more points by guard Kourtney Wilson ended the quarter 19-13 Lions.

Seven-straight points by O'Hara's Maggie Doogan and Siobhan Boylan led to another Becahi timeout early in the second quarter. The

Hawks returned with three pointers by Wilson and Cici Hernandez, but Doogan answered with five points for the Lions. After a bucket by Beca center Akasha Santos on a spin move, the Hawks' defense held the Lions for 40 seconds, which took the teams to the half when O'Hara led 35-24.

"At that moment we were playing like we should. It didn't car-

ry over. I feel like we played hard till the end and it didn't go the way we planned, but next year's our year," said Hernandez. "This year was a bonding year, learning how each other plays, learning our strengths and weaknesses. Next year, we already know each other. Next year, we already have that connection, so our team's gonna be scary next year. I'm

really proud. People expected us not to win as many games, not to even be here, so this year was showing them."

Not only did the Hawks have to work through a season of COVID-19 precautions and delays, they also had to work through the loss of six seniors from last year's squad, three seniors and a junior from

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PRESS PHOTO BY LINDA ROTHROCK

Joe Barnes and the 'Canes fell to Emmaus in districts in their first season under Nigel Long.



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Jalen Fletcher and the Freedom boys won a game in districts despite a 1-9 season.

FOOTBALL Bugbee wins scholar-athlete award

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The Lehigh Valley football scholar-athletes held their annual event virtually this year, as the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame Lehigh Valley Chapter announced the winners Sunday night.

Salisbury's Chad Parton took home the Ed Watto Award, while Nazareth's Richard Bugbee was named the top scholar-athlete of the 33 individuals nominated.

Bethlehem's local contingent of nominees included Ian Kish (Bethlehem Catholic), Frank Cierech (Freedom) and Alex Sahaydak.

The complete list of nominees is below:

Allen
Andrew J. Mumma

A wide receiver and defensive back, Mumma ranks 190th out of 591 students. He is an honor roll student with a GPA of 3.1. He is a member of the school yearbook staff. He is also active in his community.

Central Catholic
Jack Joseph McGorry

A wide receiver, McGorry ranks 36th out of 173 students. He is an honor roll student and member of the National Honor Society, with a GPA of 3.65. He is a math academic tutor and participates in varsity lacrosse. He serves as a Viking Ambassador and plays CYO basketball. He volunteers with his church's extended care program and Catholic Youth Sports.

Bangor Area
Jared Allen Reto

A running back and linebacker, Reto ranks 35th out of 225 students. He is an honor roll student and participates in varsity wrestling. He is a team captain, a school ambassador, and represented high school athletics by visiting and reading at local day care programs. He volunteers with his church and is a member of the church youth group. Additionally, he volunteers at the Plainfield and Jacktown farmers fairs.

Bethlehem Catholic
Ian Michael Nikolai Kish

A wide receiver and safety, Kish has a GPA of 3.52. He is an honor roll student and participates in varsity lacrosse. He is a member of the history club and serves as a hawk ambassador. He is an altar server and is active in his community.

Catasauqua
Tyler James Monahan

A right tackle, Monahan ranks 31st out of 111 students. He is an honor roll student and serves as class president. He is a member of the school newspaper staff, and serves as the editor, and participates in varsity baseball and track. He is a student forum member and participates in the Varsity 'C' Club. He has worked as a cashier for the Lehigh Valley IronPigs and Modell Sporting Goods, and has worked maintenance at Dorney Park.

Louis E. Dieruff
Ryan M. Chatieh

A wide receiver and free safety, Chatieh ranks 190th out of 464 students. He participates in varsity track. He is active in his community.

East Stroudsburg North
Shane Robert Gagnon

A linebacker, Gagnon ranks 57th out of 253 students. He is an honor roll student with a GPA of 3.649. He is active in his community.

East Stroudsburg South
William James Fish

A record-breaking quarterback, Fish ranks 47th out of 345 students. He is an honor roll student and member of the National Honor Society, with a GPA of 4.644. He earned first team all-conference offensive honors. He participates in varsity baseball, and was a team captain in both football and baseball. He is a member of DECA (Distributive Edu-

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Hoop coaches reflect on tough winter season

BY PETER CAR
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It wasn't the type of winter season that anyone could anticipate on the basketball hardwood, but one that no coach or player will forget in this COVID era.

While Freedom's and Liberty's seasons ended two weeks ago, both coaches looked back on a winter campaign that provided an extraordinary amount of hurdles, but also brought some positives.

Freedom head coach Joe Stellato didn't get much practice time with his young group this season, but the experience should pay off for the Pates.

"The positives of the season were us starting five sophomores and playing a lot of young

players who got better by the end of the year," Stellato said. "We did not have a lot of practices and had to fix mistakes on the move and during the games. The players did a great job of being flexible and focusing on the game instructions. These young players received a ton of experience and this will pay off in years to come."

While the Pates didn't experience much success during a 1-9 regular season, pulling off an opening round playoff win over Stroudsburg was certainly a boost for the group heading into the offseason.

"It was great to win that game," Stellato said. "It gave us a lot of momentum going into the off-season. It showed

how far we have come in such a short time."

Liberty head coach Nigel Long never anticipated his inaugural campaign to look the way it did, as the Hurricanes finished 3-7.

Being a first time head coach with a new group of players presents enough challenges in itself, but adding in all the disruption and lack of continuity this winter made it even more challenging for a new coach.

Still, Long took everything in stride and hopes that they can look back on the season with gratitude for what they did accomplish.

"I am thankful that we had the opportunity to compete this year," he said. "We learned a lot about ourselves as a

Collins earns state medal

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When Liberty junior Addison Collins missed making the PIAA State Class 3A Swimming Championships after placing second in the 50 freestyle and the 100 freestyle at the District XI meet, he promised himself he'd make it to states in 2022.

That was before the PIAA changed its mind, opening up the state meet to the next eight best times in each event, and Collins was in for the 50 free.

This past Saturday, Collins clinched the eighth-place medal in the 50 free with a time of :21.15.

"It was pretty amazing. I'm definitely proud," Collins said. "It was a great experience."

Following the district meet, Collins was preparing for baseball tryouts when a text from Liberty swim coach Reik Foust told him to be at practice the next day.

"I was a little confused, so I called him," Collins said.

That's when Collins found out he would be competing at states after all.

"I was pretty excited, really happy," he said.

From there, Collins practiced, along with teammates Patrick Gilhool, who tied for 10th in the 100 butterfly in :50.59 and placed 11th in the backstroke in :51.46, Danny Lehr and Malcolm Collins, who were competing in the 200 medley relay with

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PHOTO COURTESY OF EVAN KOCON

Addison Collins took eighth place in the 50 free at the PIAA swim meet this past weekend.

Hawks eyeing title

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This year's PIAA wrestling team tournament is certainly out of the ordinary, but it's one that Bethlehem Catholic is looking forward to despite the obstacles around it.

The Golden Hawks open the tourney on Wednesday night at 7 p.m. when they hit the road to face District 3 champion Central Dauphin (17-0) in the 3A quarterfinals.

With the Hawks, as well as every other team in the state participating in this week's event, getting up to speed can be a slog through an already stretched out wrestling season.

Competing for the team title, after individual states wrapped up on March 13, presents its own set of challenges that head coach Jeff Karam has been navigating since districts.

"Obviously, it's tough trying to keep everyone up to speed and not

burn guys out," Karam said. "We have guys that haven't competed since districts was over [February 20]. That's a long time off for guys in our lineup and trying to make sure everyone watches their weight. It can be dragging for some of these guys, but we've been smart with how we have them practicing."

The transition to the team tournament, which is being held after the individual post-season this year due to COVID, should be easier for the Hawks than other teams, as they had seven wrestlers competing all the way to the state tournament in Hershey. Central Dauphin only had one representative in Hershey.

"To be fair, the west super region they [Central Dauphin] competed in was much harder than our east super region," Karam said. "They are a really talented team."

The winner of

Wednesday's match moves to Saturday's final four at Cumberland Valley. It's not the traditional allure of competing for a state title in Hershey, but it's a trophy that everyone on the Becahi sidelines chases every year.

The Hawks have won the 3A title three times since 2015 and have returned home with a team medal every year since.

"Every year our goal is to come home with a team trophy," Karam said. "Our seniors really want this. They're driving it for our younger guys, but we all know it's going to be really tough."

Should Becahi advance, they'll wrestle either Spring-Ford or Delaware Valley in Saturday's 4 p.m. semifinals. The championship round is slated for 6 p.m. with District 7 champion Waynesburg the favorite to come out of the other bracket.



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Stephanie Donato and the Becahi girls, shown here in the district finals against Bangor, beat Shikellamy in the opening round of states.

BC opened with win over Shikellamy

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It appeared as though Bethlehem Catholic's girls' basketball team created as many turnovers as points scored in the Hawks' PIAA State Class 5A first round playoff victory over Shikellamy, 46-22, last Wednesday night at Becahi.

"We're well-conditioned so we like to use that to our advantage," said Becahi guard Stephanie Donato. "This game is gone, and now we're focused on the next."

The Hawks had such command of the Shikellamy Braves that Coach Jose Medina pulled his starters in the second quarter, and mercy rule went into effect in the third.

Becahi forward Kendra Rigo was back in the starting lineup after realignment surgery on her nose the day be-

fore, only to score eight points in the first quarter. One of those buckets was on a pass from Kiki Walters after a block by Cici Hernandez.

"I was really hungry to get back out there, and we came out strong as a team. Last year we got states taken from us," said Rigo, who wore a protective mask. "It took some time to get used to because it was blocking my peripheral vision."

Kourtney Wilson had two three pointers in the first half, and Hernandez had one. Also in the first half, Cydney Stanton grabbed a defensive rebound and scored on a layup which she followed with two more points off a Shikellamy turnover.

With the Hawks leading 35-6, Medina began substituting, clearing his bench before the first half expired.

"It's the levels of engagement- it's great when our starters are cheering them on because I need those kids in practice, and it's wonderful when they get on the floor," Medina said.

Becahi guard Yarian Fernandez came off the bench to score five points against the Braves. Wilson had a game-high 12 points.

Knowing that other teams are looking at film, in this case, Becahi's next opponent Cardinal O'Hara, the Hawks ran a different defense against Shikellamy.

"We threw out a 1-3-1, and it looked good today, but if the other teams are watching us and that's what they're preparing against, we'll let them waste their time because that's not we're gonna do," Medina said. "Shikellamy probably wasn't expecting that."

LHS tops FHS in tennis

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In a rematch from last Friday, Freedom and Liberty's boys' tennis teams took to the courts on Monday at Liberty with the Patriots hoping to rebound from a 6-1 loss to the Hurricanes, but Liberty prevailed, 6-1.

"When you play a team like Freedom twice or any good team in the district, you never know what's going to end up happening. You could have a match that goes 6-1, or a match that goes 4-3, and a lot of these matches can flip easily. So the difficulty is preparing a team that never has had to deal with playing twice in a row," said Liberty coach Chris Conrad. "Things change... It can put a lot of thought in their

heads, especially if they win the first match because I don't want them to overthink something or underthink it."

Following East Penn Conference/COVID guidelines, teams are divided into divisions by county, Northampton, Lehigh, and Monroe, and will play each team within their county twice, consecutively, this season.

"It's interesting and in some ways I do like it," said Freedom coach Matt Potts. "What's interesting is we lost to Liberty three days ago so we have an opportunity to game plan against the exact same kids we're going to play, which is an odd thing in tennis, so it's a good challenge and it's different, but it's fine."

Of greater concern to

Coach Potts is getting his young but experienced players as much exposure to high school matches as possible.

"Even the kids who have played a lot are not totally used to this high school environment where it's more animated," Potts said. "We're improving. Liberty's good. They've won the last three years, so hopefully by the end of the year, we'll be able to compete with these guys. I think we'll be in the mix and that's the goal. I'm much happier if we're playing well in April than now."

Noah Potts won for Freedom at first singles, 6-2, 7-6, against Anthony Ronca.

"Today, I was able to keep more pressure on him, hit through the

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this year's squad due to injuries or COVID, and an ineligible senior transfer. Two of this year's starters are freshmen, one is a sophomore and two are juniors. But Coach Medina and the Hawks are not about moral victories.

"We got it down to six at one point, and credit to these kids, they battled. This is a tough place to play here. It was their day this afternoon. I'm super proud of this group," Medina said. "We wanted to come out here and get a W and keep this thing moving forward, but we'll use this experience to benefit our program, benefit our kids, and what we do moving forward."

In the third quarter,

threes by Hernandez and Kendra Rigo along with two points by Wilson pulled the Hawks closer but still trailing 39-33. O'Hara's Sydney Scott matched both threes and the Lions led 48-37 with one quarter left.

"There were definitely some things we could have done better. This is Philly ball down here, and I told them we could definitely win this game. We definitely could've, but I don't think some of them were ready for the speed of the game, stuff like that," said Wilson. "Last game we came out with defensive intensity, but this game it seemed like it kind of got lackadaisical, like it was going to be easy or something like that, so with us getting relaxed, not getting back on defense, not doing the

little things that hook them up, it was a deficit we couldn't come back from."

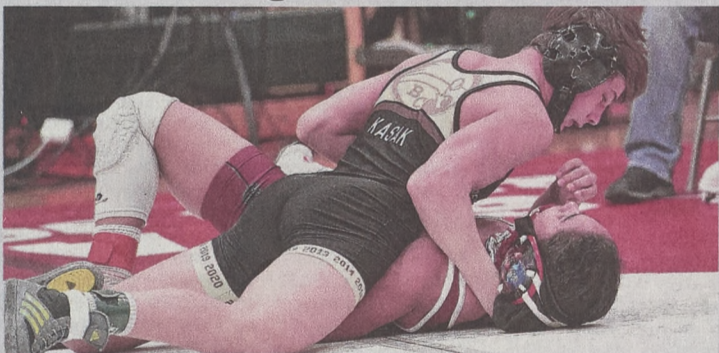
Wilson had 25 points for Becahi, scoring 12 points in the fourth quarter. Six of those points came on three pointers. Two more resulted from a turnover when Hernandez fed the ball to Wilson underneath. That brought the Hawks to within seven points, but O'Hara pulled away into double digits on foul shots by Annie Welde and Scott.

"Kourtney came out here and put this team on her back today," said Medina. "She laid it all out here tonight, and it's unfortunate we came out on the short end. We'll use this experience only to get better. Just staying hungry. That's what we want to do."

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Bethlehem Catholic's Tyler Kasak and Northampton's Jagger Condomitti both won state wrestling titles on March 13th in Hershey. Both wrestlers took gold medals right through the individual competitions, which included districts, regionals and the newly added super regional competition.

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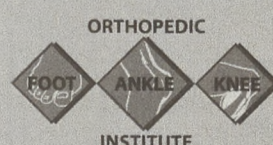
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Outdoors: Survey results could help with future hunting and fishing purchases

BY NICK HROMIAK
Special to the Press

If you're in the process of gearing up for the upcoming fishing season and may be wondering what brand to buy, the following equipment list were the best sellers in 2020 according to Southwick Associates who perform retail sale surveys to generate the most popular brands.

According to Southwick, a record number of Americans enjoyed the outdoors amid the pandemic in 2020 that contributed to an increase in purchases of fishing equipment. Southwick has identified the top

brands in the market for 2020 based on more than 8,000 surveys completed by anglers in through the Southwick Associate's Angler Survey online consumer panel.

A sampling of the most frequently purchased brands in 2020 include:

- * Rods - Bass Pro Brand
- * Reels - Shimano
- * Fishing Line - Berkley Fireline
- * Soft Bait - Berkley PowerBait
- * Spinner Bait - Strike King
- * Hooks - Eagle Claw/Lazer Sharp
- * Fish Finder or Sonar - Humminbird

- * Footwear - Columbia
- * Tackle Box - Plano
- * Landing Net, Gaff - Bass Pro Brand
- * Bait Bucket, Aerator - Frabill

As for hunting and shooting equipment, Southwick completed a survey of 15,000 hunter and recreational shooters in 2020 through their online Hunter Survey and Shooter Survey consumer panels and identified the top brands in the market.

A sampling of some of the most frequently purchased hunting/shooting brands in 2020 are as follows:

- * Traditional Rifles -

- Savage
- * Handguns - Smith & Wesson
- * Handgun Ammunition - Federal
- * Shotgun Ammunition - Winchester
- * Broadheads - Rage & Muzzy
- * Crossbows - Barnett
- * Reloading Presses - Lee Precision
- * Reloading Dies - Lee Precision
- * Reloading Powder - IMR
- * Binoculars - Vortex
- * Reflex/Red Dot Sights - Sig Sauer
- * Laser Sights - Crimson Trace
- * Nonpowered Aftermarket Sights - Trijicon
- * Apparel Camo Pat-

- tern Brand - Mossy Oak
 - * Trail Cameras - Wildgame Innovations
 - * Game Calls - Primos
 - * Hunting Knives - Buck
 - * Gun Case - Allen
 - * Magazines - Magpul
- And with record numbers of firearms being sold in 2020, with nearly 5 million to first-time gun buyers, this survey reflects the best of the best.

PLANO SYNERGY SOLD TO PURE FISHING

Probably most avid anglers have a least one Plano tackle box among their fishing equipment (I have four). Well, this popular tackle company

that was formerly called Plano Molding since the plastic boxes were molded, was just sold to Pure Fishing. If this name isn't all that familiar, the holding company also owns Abu Garcia, Berkeley, Fenwick, Fin-Nor, Hardy, Hodgman, Johnson, Mitchell, Penn, Pflueger, Shakespeare, Spider Wire, Stren, Ugly Stik, and Van Staal to name a few, all of which are brand names anglers have used for years.

According to Pure Fishing, the Plano name will not change but will give the tackle box company more resources to work with.

Pigs season pushed back

BY CHUCK HIXSON
Special to the Press

The Lehigh Valley IronPigs held their annual Pig Day Celebration recently, giving fans the opportunity to visit the ballpark, grab a couple new yard signs and most importantly, talk some baseball. Much of the talk centered around the upcoming seating even with its one-month delay and the usual COVID precautions that will need to be in place.

Fans hoping for an April start date, which had previously been announced were disappointed when the announcement came last week that Opening Day for the IronPigs was being pushed back from April 6 to May 4 as part of the COVID precautions. Ironically, the announcement came just one day after the Lehigh Valley Phantoms announced that they would be allowing fans into the PPL Center for hockey games. So why was the local hockey team allowing fans into an enclosed arena, while the local baseball team has had their season at an outdoor venue pushed back?

"Here in the Lehigh Valley, we would have been able to play from the original opening day that was set," explained IronPigs president and GM Kurt Landes. "The problem is that in other parts of Triple-A baseball, teams have to fly for some games and those aren't charter flights, they're commercial flights, so there is a higher risk of infection. Plus, some areas of the country aren't where we're at locally in terms of lower levels of infection, so there's more of a

big picture to consider."

With the IronPigs home opener now set for May 4, Landes pointed out that it will have been 616 days since a minor league game was played at Coca-Cola Park: not that the IronPigs' boss is counting or anything.

When the season does open, there will be plenty of changes and new guidelines for both team personnel and fans. A limited number of fans will be permitted into the ballpark and the team is conducting a lottery among season ticket holders to determine who can purchase tickets for games this season. Eventually, it's hoped that the team can put more tickets on sale to the public, but as things stand now, the team is rewarding season ticket holders for their support of the team.

"We felt it was fair to hold a lottery among season ticket holders and then wait until higher levels of fans are allowed into the park to sell tickets to the public. It's unfortunate in that we realize some people can only afford to go to a game or two per season or have other commitments that don't allow them to hold season tickets, but we also wanted to reward our season ticket holders, so this is how we decided to proceed," said Landes.

While fans love the fact that things are opening and they may be able to take in a game or two this summer, there is an interesting financial situation for teams. When there were no games last season, the costs of running the team were lower. No lights for night games, no gameday personnel

to pay and various other considerations. Of course, there was no income from ticket sales, either. Now, those costs will be present, but the team will not be allowed to pack the ballpark with paying fans.

"It's different for each team, but there is a percentage of the park that you have to fill to at least break even," Landes explained. "We'll do it no matter what those numbers say, knowing that better times will be ahead for us and other minor league teams. A big part of what we do is just being a part of the community and adding something for fans in the Lehigh Valley and that goes beyond just dollars and cents."

The month of April will see the Phillies use Coca-Cola Park as their alternative site where players most likely to be needed at the major league level will be working out daily just as they did all last season. The interesting part comes in early May when the IronPigs switch from being a practice facility with all new parameters.

"We're going to literally have a point where on May 3, we will be hosting just players and personnel from the Phillies as a practice facility and then the next day allowing fans into the ballpark and having to be sure that now, not just the players are protected, but the fans are protected as well," said Landes. "Having the players here is easier this time around because we did that last summer, but having fans is a different story."

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ball a little bit better. My serve was much better today, got a lot of free points off. I felt I used it pretty effectively to get up in the match and hold my leads," Potts said. "Overall, it was just solid point in, point out. He gets a lot of balls in play so I have to work a little harder and play longer points, but I knew at the start I had to put pressure on him and it worked."

At two singles, Shayaan Farhad won for Liberty, 6-1, 6-2, against Arun Chhugani.

"My opponent was a lot more consistent and tried to frustrate me, I guess," said Farhad. "He went to the backhand a lot and he wasn't gonna make a move and wait for me to mess up, so I had to play a lot smarter and not go for crazy shots. My serve and volley worked for me today as well as coming out on short balls and attacking."

Liberty also won at three singles with Wyatt Marshall defeating Advay Deshmukh, 6-3, 6-0.

"Instead of trying to hit the ball as hard as he could, he lobbed the ball to me, so it was mainly me having to hit winners and make him move a lot, get him closer to the net so I could pound it at him," Marshall said. "It's definitely different [playing the same team twice], and when you know who your opponent's going to be you can set yourself up. It's a different twist on it."

Deshmukh is a senior, grateful to have a full season that was cut short last year.

"It's unfortunate we have to wear these masks. It's hard but better than not having a season," Deshmukh said. "We're hoping for a deep run in the district tournament, and we're hoping for Noah to win district singles. Fortunately, we came out on top in both Nazareth matches, but these

guys are all tough, we've known them a long time, and they're good players."

In doubles play, Liberty's Jiaming Wang and Chris Giannaras defeated Tyler Malitzki and Carrson Chambers, 8-0, at first doubles, and Liberty's Sid Tekumala and Roman Farhad defeated Shivam Chand and ylan Sarkozy, 6-3, 6-1, at second doubles.

At third doubles, Liberty's Luke Appleman and Gavin Evans Gartley defeated Tommy Potts and Fahim Paiker, 6-1, 6-2, and at fourth doubles, Liberty's Tyler Markovich and Matt Bilger defeated Baptiste Boussageon and Brian Gerra, 3-6, 6-3, 6-1.

"Baptiste is an exchange student," Coach Potts said. "He's a phenomenal athlete who's played almost no tennis. He competes very hard, and it's going to be very fun to see his progression because by the end of the year, I think he's going to be very good."

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(ation Club of America). He is active in his community.

Easton
Dominic Franklin Falcone
A linebacker, Falcone ranks 104th out of 718 students. He is an honor roll student, member of the National Honor Society, and earned first team all-conference defensive honors. He is president of the student government, a yearbook staff member, and participates in varsity wrestling. He serves as a student athletic character council representative and with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He volunteers with the Miracle League, Special Olympics, Access Services Foster Care, and is a youth football and wrestling coach.

Emmaus
Tanner W. Ritter
A wide receiver and cornerback, Ritter has a GPA of 4.061. He is an honor roll student and earned first team all-conference defensive honors. He is active in his community.

Freedom
Frank Peter Cierach
An offensive guard, ranks 8th out of 465 students. He is an honor roll student, member of the National Honor Society, and has a GPA of 4.7425. He is an EPC student athletic character council representative. He volunteers at Spring Garden Elementary School in the day care and the gardening club.

Jim Thorpe
Derek Joe Hunter
A defensive tackle, Hunter ranks 33rd out of 76 students. He is an honor roll student, earned PA Football News first team all-state and first team all-conference defensive honors. He participates in varsity wrestling. He volunteers cleaning his church, coaches youth wrestling, and helps special needs students at an annual fishing derby.

Lehigh
Michael Walker Yeakel
An offensive guard and defensive tackle, Yeakel ranks 36th out of 184 students. He is an honor roll student, member of the National Honor Society, and has a weighted GPA of 3.84, a simple GPA of 3.583. He participates in varsity wrestling and plays in the school band. He volunteers annually at a youth football camp.

Liberty
Alexander T. Sahaydak
A record-breaking placekicker, Sahaydak ranks 119th out of 590 students. He is an honor roll student, National Honor Society member, and carries a GPA of 3.94. He earned first team all-conference honors as a kicker. He participates in varsity track. He is active in his community.

Nazareth
Richard Matthew Bugbee
A quarterback and kicker, Bugbee ranks 64th out of 409 students. He is an honor roll student and National Honor Society member. He earned first team all-state and first team all-conference offensive honors. He is a member of the history club and FBLA. He volunteers with his church, as a Sunday school teacher, usher, and audio/visual technician.

Northampton
Jonathon Daniel Mannino
A fullback and inside linebacker, he ranks 21st out of 458 students. He is an honor roll student and carries a 4.354 GPA. He is active in his community.

Northern Lehigh
Jason Daniel Hunter
A center and defensive tackle, Hunter ranks 12th out of 119 students. He is an honor roll student who has attained a 4.20 GPA. He participates in varsity wrestling and ice hockey. He is active in his community.

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Gilhool and Addison Collins and placed 13th in 1:36.05, and alternate Ben Service.

"We spent a lot of time on the quickness of Addison's turn and his finish. He worked it, and he used it Saturday," said Foust. "Malcolm and Danny, this was all new to them. Patrick swam great. He was just tired. It's hard to hold that taper for two weeks, but he held it as long as

Northwestern Lehigh

Michael Scott Rader
A running back and linebacker, Rader ranks 36th out of 179 students. He is an honor roll student, member of the National Honor Society, and the Science Curricular Honor Society. He is a member of the SADD and Key Clubs. He is a Sunday school volunteer and is active in his community.

Notre Dame
Robert Anthony Spirk
A wide receiver, Spirk ranks in the top-5 percent in his class of 124 students. He is an honor roll student, National Honor Society, and Curricular Honor Society member. He is a class officer, student government member, and participates in varsity basketball. He is active in his community.

Palisades
Zachary John Smith
A wide receiver and safety, Smith ranks 25th out of 162 students. He is an honor roll student, who has attained a 3.95 GPA. He earned first team all-conference defensive honors. He serves as the sports reporter for the school news. He does volunteer work with Springfield Township Recycling, tutors at a local elementary school, and serves as a youth football coach.

Palmerton
Timothy D. Iles
A guard and defensive tackle, Iles ranks 6th out of 122. He is an honor roll student, National Honor Society member, and carries a GPA of 4.24. He is a Spanish academic tutor, participates in varsity track, FBLA, the Environmental Club, Avidium, and the Gridiron Club. He volunteers with Tri-State Bassett Hound Rescue, Carbon County Friends of Animals, the Palmerton Library, and community projects associated with football.

Parkland
Isiah Urique Rico
A tailback and safety, Rico ranks in the top-10 percent in his class of 800 plus students. He is an honor roll student and earned first team all-conference defensive honors. He participates in varsity track and wrestling. He volunteers with New Bethany Ministries, food gathering and serving.

Pen Argyl
Jared Connor Albanese
A running back and linebacker, Albanese ranks 25th out of 118 students. He is an honor roll student, National Honor Society member, and participates in varsity track. He is the Avidium President and earned the Dwight D. Eisenhower Leadership Award. He is a peer mediator, serves in character education, the Business Advisory Council, and is a fun & fitness coach. He volunteers with the Civil Air Patrol, Waste Management Community Outreach, and is a preschool volunteer.

Phillipsburg
Jacob Hille
A fullback and linebacker, Hille ranks 26th out of 356 students. He is an honor roll student and National Honor Society member, with a 3.69 GPA. He is a class officer, student government member, AP calculus 1 academic tutor, and participates in varsity lacrosse. He volunteers with the LEAD Phillipsburg Drug-Free Community Coalition.

Pleasant Valley
Jack Robert Kaye
A placekicker and kickoff specialist, Kaye ranks 6th out of 369 students. He is an honor roll student, National Honor Society member, and Curricular Honor Society member. He is a class officer and participates in varsity lacrosse. He is a Future Business Leaders of America representative. He is active with the Boy Scouts, performing road clean-ups, and helping with other Eagle Scout projects.

Pocono Mountain East

Andrew J. Ball
A halfback and linebacker, Ball ranks 105th out of 239 students. He is an honor roll student and has a GPA of 89.986. He participates in varsity basketball, and is active in his community.

Pocono Mountain West
Sam Ghassan Odeh
A defensive tackle, Odeh ranks 40th out of 330 students. He is an honor roll student and carries a GPA of 4.0. He earned first team all-conference defensive honors. He volunteers as a Salvation Army bell ringer, and with Toys for Tots.

Salisbury
Chad Joseph Parton
A wide receiver, halfback, and free safety, Parton ranks 63 out of 153 students. He is an honor roll student and carries a GPA of 3.80. He earned first team PA Football Writers all-state honors as a wide receiver, and first team all-conference offensive and defensive honors. He participates in varsity basketball, the yearbook staff, Heart of a Champion, the Hurdle Crew, Touchdowns Against Cancer, and is senior member of the leadership council. He volunteers with Lehigh Valley Children's Hospital Holiday Gift Collection, Wounded Warrior Summer Games, the USO, and as a youth football coach.

Saucon Valley
David Moffat Osman
An offensive guard and defensive tackle, Osman ranks 70th out of 169 students. He is an honor roll student with a GPA of 3.627. He is a member of the Medical Sciences Club. He is active in his community.

Southern Lehigh
Tristan Dale Rice
A wide receiver and linebacker, Rice has a GPA of 3.747 in his class of 274 students. He is an honor roll student. He volunteers with a local nursery school doing playground maintenance, and is active in his church's youth group.

Stroudsburg
Matthew David Trbuza
An offensive guard and long snapper, Trbuza ranks 61st out of 442 students. He is an honor roll student and member of the National Honor Society. He participates in varsity baseball, is a member of the Mini-Thon, Best Buddies, and sports club organizations. He volunteers with Adopt-A-Highway (In Honor of Maxine Davidson), St. Luke's Soup Kitchen, the Salvation Army Christmas Bell Ringing, and the 570 Sports Camp as a coach.

Whitehall
Angelo V. Daddona
A running back and linebacker, Daddona ranks 32nd out of 348 students. He is an honor roll student, National Honor Society member, and Curricular Honor Society member, with a GPA of 4.21. He is class president, student council treasurer, a Peer Mentor, Serve Club president, and participates in varsity track. He serves the Fellowship of Christian Athletes student outreach, the Big Brother/Sister Program, the engineering club, DeSales Leadership Conference, and the PA Governors STEM competition. He volunteers with the Northampton County Food Bank, Whitehall Communities Care Meetings, Whitehall-Coplay Hunger Initiative, and the Allentown 6th Street Shelter.

Wilson Area
Luke R. Miller
An offensive center and defensive end, he ranks 20th out of 172 students. He is an honor roll student and member of the National Honor Society. He participates in varsity tennis and the Future Business Leaders of America. He volunteers as a Lions Club helper, a vacation Bible school counselor, and providing food for the less fortunate at shelters.

he could and put a full effort in. Ben was there and supportive and he would have been ready."

Collins swam in the first of two heats for the 50 free and won his heat, but there was another heat yet to be swum. On the bubble again, he decided to watch the second heat instead of warming down.

"My goal was just to win my heat, and I was happy I did that. I wasn't even thinking about medaling, but I was watching the second heat closely," he said.

What Collins saw was the time of :21.18 for the last finisher in the second heat, confirming a medal for Collins.

"(Assistant coaches) Jeff (Matyus) and Evan (Kocoon) and I were talking on the way back, and we were really proud of the guys," said Foust. "Like everybody else, we didn't know what states was going to be like. As crazy as this season was, to do what they did in two months, having to start in January, we were really happy."

Board hears bus, state testing update

BY THERESA O'BRIEN
Special to the Bethlehem Press

At the March 8 facilities and curriculum committee meetings, the BASD school board heard an update from bus consulting firm TransPar and discussed state testing plans. The board planned to vote at its full meeting March 22 on the bid award for the bus garage lift replacement project scheduled for this summer.

Facilities updates

During the facilities committee portion of the meeting, Jake Murphy and Jenny Casebolt-Robinson of bus consulting firm TransPar gave board members a mid-year update, and Chief Facilities Officer Mark Stein informed the board about summer 2021 projects and strategic facilities initiatives.

The district signed a three-year contract with TransPar, with renewal optional at the end of each year, that began June 18, 2019. TransPar performs transportation management services, including route optimization, personnel recommendations and incident management. After an initial \$15,000 outlay, the district paid \$15,000 per month for TransPar

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during the first year; the contract stipulates a 3 percent increase in the monthly rate at the beginning of each subsequent year.

TransPar reported a 48 percent decrease, from 2019-20 to 2020-21, of incidents tracked by its incident management system, as well as accident reductions from 5.1 per month to 2.2 per month over the same period. However, with roughly 15 percent of students participating fully online, and the remaining 85 percent attending school only two days per week, there is dramatically less student transportation occurring this academic year than the prior year, and thus opportunities for accidents and incidents are reduced. TransPar also cited 73 percent employee retention rate, although it is likely that the deal negotiated by Teamsters Local #773 – in which bus drivers are paid for normal working hours, despite dramatically reduced driving hours – helped with retention.

Summer facilities projects, including the Broughal MS parking repairs and transporta-

tion center lift replacement, are on track for their scheduled bids and work start dates. On the strategic initiative of improved service, 62 percent of work orders were completed within seven days. This figure aligns with the median of all school districts nationwide using the SchoolDude maintenance and operations tracking system.

PSS, Keystone testing

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Jack Silva informed the board that state-mandated assessments (PSSAs for elementary and middle school students and Keystone exams for high school students) are scheduled later this year, beginning May 27 and ending June 4. The later dates are meant to maximize instructional time before the end of the year.

Board president Mike Faccinnetto inquired about the details of parents opting out of the tests on behalf of their children. In the past, most families that opted out had religious objections to the tests; how-

ever, this year, students' mental health may be an issue of concern for parents. Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy has declared his intention to opt his own two children out of standardized testing this year, telling Express-Times reporter Sara Satullo, "[U]nder this situation of duress, when the federal government is insisting on the test and the state has to do it, [...] if parents are concerned for their child [...] there is not a consequence for parents".

Silva noted that information about testing requirements and opt-out procedures will be posted on schools' websites. Board member Dr. Karen Beck Pooley noted that the state-mandated tests are not typically used to inform student-centered instructional adjustments, and questioned the necessity of testing during a year when instructional time is at a premium. Roy clarified in response to a parent's question that the standardized test results this year will not be used by the state for teacher or school accountability, so teachers will not be penalized either for low test scores or for large numbers of opt-outs.



PRESS PHOTO COURTESY PHIL KOCHSMEIER
Owner Phil Kochsmeier in front of his newly opened Maple Street Woodworking shop in Hellertown.

HELLERTOWN

New wood shop opens

BY CHRIS HARING
Special to the Bethlehem Press

A brand new hardwood lumber store and showroom in Hellertown opened its doors to the public the weekend of Feb. 12.

Maple Street Woodworking, located at 76 W. Water St. in the borough, specializes in the sale of lumber such as oak, maple, cherry and walnut, as well as "custom orders for nearly anything, including kitchen cabinets and islands, bathroom vanities, bedroom sets, dining tables, benches, coffee and end tables, entertainment centers, and more" according to its website.

Owner Phil Kochsmeier moved to the Lehigh Valley last year, bringing his business, his store, originally founded in Cedarville, Ohio, in 2016, with him. MSW will continue to maintain its operations in its home state in addition to its expansion into Pennsylvania.

"Maple Street Woodworking is a family-owned business working hard to provide quality wood furniture and cabinetry," Kochsmeier said. "We have been serving customers for over five years and love what we do."

Council seeks Southside food oasis

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The abrupt announcement of closing Ahart's Market at Southside's 410 Montclair Ave. caused Bethlehem City Council to resolve to ask the administration to find a feasible replace-

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ment for the store which will, according to the resolution, "promote equity in order to promote equity and protect the health and well-being of individuals and families

in South Bethlehem." The closure of Ahart's, according to the administration, was due to loss of profits related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ahart's Market has

been in the Southside for approximately 20 years, according to the resolution.

In spite of the C-Town Supermarket located at 230 E. Third St., the area meets the U.S. Department of Agriculture's See OASIS on Page A14

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Visit the Bethlehem Area Public Library at 11 E. Church St. (main) or 400 Webster St. (Southside branch) or visit www.youtube.com/channel/UCsuAN4Af6k3jQ1us_WkWQ/featured and www.bapl.org/events/categories/virtual-events for a variety of items. Library staff will be available by phone at 610-867-3761 (main-11 W. Church St.) or 610-867-7852 (SouthSide branch-400 Webster St.) For chat service, visit www.bapl.org/; email, and chat service by visiting www.bapl.org.

For general information, visit www.bapl.org (main) or at www.facebook.com/paBAPL or www.bapl.org/ssmain.htm (SouthSide).

Effective March 1, 2021: BAPL Main, South Side, and Coolidge

Now offering public computers again, in addition to limited and by appointment browsing. Masks are required, as is standard social-distancing protocol. The procedure is somewhat different at each location. For questions, call ahead of time.

Main Library: Normal hours. No appointment required for browsing; computer sessions limited to 30 minutes per day. First floor access only; children's books are available on the first floor. Second floor items may be retrieved by a librarian.

South Side Branch: Limited hours: Monday through Thursday: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Appointments are recommended to browse. Call 610-867-7852 to make an appointment. No appointment required to pick up reserved items. Computer sessions limited to 30 minutes per day; please call ahead.

BAPL Coolidge (Bethlehem Township): Hours: Tuesday: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Thursday: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Second Saturday of the month: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. No appointments required for browsing; limit your session to 30 minutes per day. Computers limited to 30 minute sessions. Call 484-892-6267 to reserve materials to pick up.

General: No public reading areas or meeting rooms are available. All events are held virtually; refer to the BAPL calendar for details. All library locations continue to offer "grab and go" check-out, which means you can place books or other items on reserve and pick them up with your library card at the door if you do not feel comfortable coming in.

Virtual story times and programs available on BAPL's YouTube and Facebook pages.

Main Library - 11 W. Church St.

Call 610- 867-3761 or visit www.bapl.org.

Wednesday, March 24

Tune in & Take-away story session, 10 to 10:15 a.m. Weekly recorded story, fingerplay and song with a take-away learning packet from the Main Library's youth bundles area. Recordings: visit Spike Campground page under "Youth Services-Home"; click on the stack of books; or visit the BAPL Facebook page and Youtube channel.

Virtual Homework Help, grades K-12, Moravian College America Reads program tutors. 4 to 6 p.m. Click on <https://moravian.zoom.us/j/94245474243> to be placed in a waiting room, then moved to a break out room to work with a trained and cleared as per required tutor for a 30-minute session. No registration is needed. For information, visit www.bapl.org

Registration deadline for March 25 Toni Morrison Book Club; see entry under March 25.

Wednesdays, March 24 and 31

Online Kids Book Club, Grades 3-7, Kenneth Oppel's "Inkling", 6 to 7 p.m. Choose one of the two dates. Register online at www.bapl.org/events/online-kids-book-club/ or email rkochmaruk@bapl.org for information. E-book available through the library's Libby app. Confirmation email, Zoom link provided when registered. E-book is available through the Libby app.

Thursday, March 25

Toni Morrison Book Club, "Sula", 6:30 to 8 p.m. Visit www.bapl.org/events/toni-morrison-book-club-2/ for details. Register by March 24 and receive Zoom meeting information by email.

BAPL Film Club, "8 1/2" (1963) directed by Federico Fellini. 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Visit www.bapl.org/events/bapl-film-club-8-1-2-1963/

Sunday, March 28

Draw With Librarians, 7 to 7:15 p.m. Step by step directions given via a librarian's recorded sessions on BAPL's Facebook and Youtube channel. Check each week for a new lesson.

Monday, March 29

Virtual Homework Help, grades K-12, Moravian College America Reads program tutors. 4 to 6 p.m. Click on <https://moravian.zoom.us/j/94245474243> to be placed in a waiting room, then moved to a break out room to work with a trained and cleared as per required tutor for a 30 minute session. No registration is needed. For information, visit www.bapl.org

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Through March 31

Create your own superhero/heroine using our take-away guide. Bring your original superhero/heroine design to the Main Library by March 31; you will be entered in a drawing to win free comics! Post your creation on Facebook or Twitter and tag the library in the post using #SuperBAPL & #BAPL for a chance to win comics. Two age categories: Grades K-3 and 4-12.

Window Walk at Main, all day. Bring a cell phone. You might need to download a QR code Reader from an app store. View the featured picture book posted on the Cohen Room porch side windows. Scan the QR code on each panel and hear a librarian read the story as you move along the porch. New story every four weeks.

SouthSide branch- 400 Webster St.

Call 610-867-7852 or visit www.bapl.org/events

Wednesday, March 24

Story Time To Go Celebrating Dr. Seuss, Green Eggs and Ham. All day. SouthSide virtual kids room with Miss Stef. Pick up a free grab bag while supplies last; one per child. Visit www.bapl.org/events/storytime-to-go-is-celebrating-dr-seuss-2021-03-24/

Coolidge Building - 2740 Fifth St.

Visit www.bapl.org

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PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Dancers from the O'Grady Quinlan Academy of Irish Dance perform on St. Patrick's Day at Payrow Plaza.

City marks St. Patrick's Day



Downtown business owner Neville Gardner hoists the Irish flag.



Bagpiper James Ruhf and drummer Jim Propst performed several selections. It was Ruhf's 28th year playing at the flag-raising.

A raw day didn't stop the annual St. Patrick's Day Irish flag-raising at City Hall on March 17. Representing Mayor Robert Donchez, Chief of Staff Alex Karras noted the contributions of the Irish in Bethlehem. "Bethlehem is a community of diverse backgrounds," said Karras during his brief remarks. Members of the City of Bethlehem Bagpipe Band, piper James Ruhf and drummer Jim Propst provided music. Students at the O'Grady Quinlan Academy of Irish Dance exhibited their usual precision in several routines.



Prior to the St. Patrick's Day Irish flag raising event, City of Bethlehem Bagpipe Band drummer Jim Propst greets Asa and his partner Officer Justin Madera. Nearby are Grey and his partner Officer Mark Kuntzman.



Chief of Staff Alex Karras welcomes attendees on behalf of Mayor Robert Donchez.

Irish tunes on Main Street



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

The Downtown Bethlehem Association's Beth-Lum Go Bragh, celebrating St. Patrick's Day, included live street music which featured Bethlehem resident Rick Weaver singing Irish tunes March 20 and 21 on historic Main Street. Weaver says he began performing Irish music 12 years ago and he has been singing and playing guitar since high school. **Left:** Weaver performs "Wild Colonial Boy," a popular song at St. Patrick's Day, and is featured in the John Wayne movie, "The Quiet Man," which is traditional St. Patrick's Day movie fare.



PRESS PHOTO BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI

Weekly family events coming to Burnside

As the signs of spring start to peek out through the winter snow, Historic Bethlehem Museums & Sites (HBMS) is ready to get back outdoors and encourages the community to do the same with new program, Saturdays at Burnside.

Saturdays at Burnside is a weekly program showcasing the historic Burnside Plantation each Saturday from April through November. With activities for the whole family, visitors can enjoy the open outdoor space while learning more about the barns, buildings and gardens that have been a part of the Moravian community since 1748. Activities run from 10 a.m. to noon and are free to attend. Feel free to bring your furry friends along for a walk too; Burnside Plantation is dog-friendly.

Each weekend the Farmhouse and Summer Kitchen will be open for visitors to catch a glimpse inside these historic spaces and see cooking demonstrations. Take a tour of the barns on the property and learn more about their significance: the Haas Barn, the Johnson Barn that houses one of the only remaining High Horse-Powered wheels in the U.S., the Corn Crib, and the Wagon Shed. For those who wish to tour and learn on their own, the Burnside Plantation link of the HBMS Heritage Trail will be available too.

Come watch the garden grow and Meet the Gardeners each Saturday morning.

This dedicated group of volunteers maintains the award-winning Louise W. Dimmick Memorial Garden each season, planting and harvesting several crops of herbs, vegetables and fruits each year. This is your chance for a first-hand look at what these gardeners do

Burnside Plantation is located at 1461 Schoenersville Road. Parking is available onsite. For more information and how to visit please visit the HBMS website.

and to learn more about the history of the Kitchen Garden and its continued use since the late 1700s.

Visit often and watch the garden evolve from the planting stage, to seedlings, to fully grown plants with ripe produce. For the kids, a selection of fun crafts will be available to complete and take home. Every month there will be a craft available each weekend, with extra activities on certain weekends.

April's monthly craft offers littlest visitors the chance to learn about what the gardeners do and plant their own seed to take home. Additional weekend activities include an Easter-themed craft April 3, a popsicle stick photo frame April 10, and a nature walk and project April 24.

Burnside Plantation is located at 1461 Schoenersville Road. Parking is available onsite. For more information and how to visit please visit the HBMS website. Your help is needed to open Burnside Plantation for the public. Volunteer efforts are a fantastic way to help share their history with the public. A variety of positions are available, including docents, greeters, shop and kids' activity helpers, and Summer Kitchen demonstrators. If you are interested, please reach out to Keith Sten, ksten@historicbethlehem.org, or Molly Breitbach, mbreitbach@historicbethlehem.org, for more information.

Burnside Plantation is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Louise W. Dimmick Memorial Garden at Burnside Plantation won a Blue Ribbon in the 2020 Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Gardening Contest and the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Community Greening Award in 2008.

Contributed article

DEAN'S LISTS

Seton Hall University

Three Bethlehem area residents have been named to Seton Hall University's fall 2020 dean's list. The undergraduate students, Noah Joseph, Victoria Keenan and Amanda Rachwal, were included for completing all courses with a GPA of 3.4, with no grades lower than "C".

Fairleigh Dickinson University - Florham

Alexandra De La Roche of Bethlehem was named to the Fairleigh Dickinson University's Florham Campus honors list for the spring 2020 semester.

To qualify, she carried a 3.5 or better grade point average out of a possible 4.0 and was enrolled in a minimum of 12 letter-graded hours (four courses)

Rochester Institute of Technology

Five Bethlehem area residents made the Rochester Institute of Technology dean's list for the 2020 fall semester. To qualify, the undergraduate students maintained a GPA greater than or equal to 3.40 for nine credit hours of traditionally graded coursework; do not have any grades of "Incomplete," NE, D, or F; and they have registered for and completed, at least 12 credit hours.

The students are Zahne Salzano, Ben Thomas, Ryan Rieger, Isabel Stoeckley and Brielle Brogle.

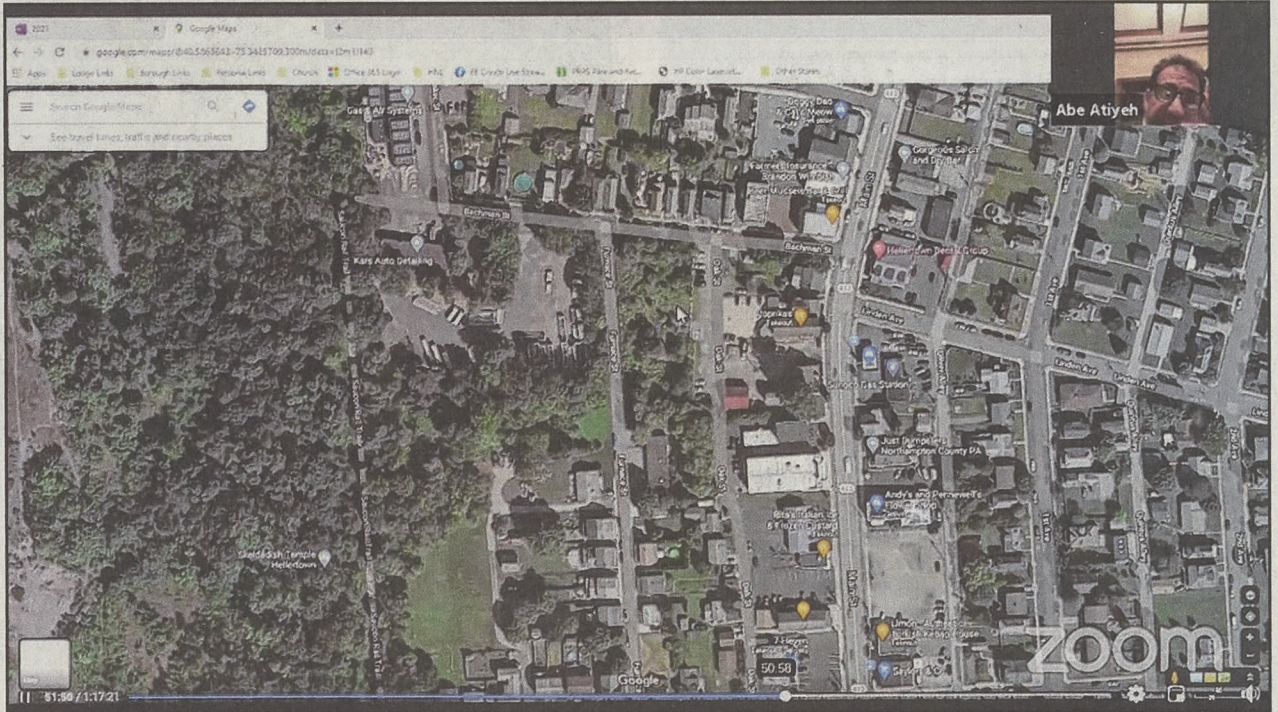
Widener University

Five Bethlehem area residents were named to the Widener University dean's list for fall 2020. The full-time students who earned a grade point average of 3.50 and above for the semester to be included on the list are Donovan Stuard, Benjamin Stuckey, Jacob Moser, Caroline Hawk and Brenna Craig.

The University of Alabama

Four Bethlehem Kevin Dwyer, Alexandra Dale and Madeline Zyck, all named to the dean's list.

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Developer Abe Atiyeh tries to rally support for a proposed senior high-rise in the borough.

Borough finances are solid so far

BY CHRIS HARING
Special to the Bethlehem Press

HELLERTOWN

The March 15 Hellertown Council meeting saw discussions on several items of interest for borough residents with continued sights on returning to increased normalcy as winter turns to spring and beyond.

Borough manager Cathy Hartranft shared some items of note with the council, including positive words on the borough's finances. Hellertown is one of the only boroughs in Northampton County with increased income tax revenue thus far in 2021, and is "holding (their) own financially," she said. In addition, Borough Hall will likely be reopening to the public June 1, she added, barring any COVID-related setbacks.

While on the topic of borough finances, council president Thomas J. Rieger mentioned he very recently found out via a Morning Call article that, due to the recent passing of the American Rescue Plan bill, Hellertown is soon slated to receive close to \$600,000 in funding from the federal government. He called the news a "surprise" and said more details on the unexpected, yet welcome, windfall are to come.

Hellertown Historical Society president Stacie Torkos and Lower Saucon Fire Rescue



Borough manager Cathy Hartranft shares some details of Hellertown's finances.

captain Robert Gearhart joined to discuss temporary traffic restrictions around Dimmick Park for their upcoming Easter Egg hunt drive-thru event. No assistance would be needed from the public works department in redirecting vehicles for the event, Gerhardt added. The event is scheduled for Saturday, April 3, from 9 a.m. to noon.

With an eye on "the fun things that our borough (was) used to," Mayor David Heintzelman joined the meeting to confirm that borough officials are moving ahead with the annual Saucon Valley Spirit Parade this autumn, and have begun preliminary planning discussions. He publicly asked for commitments from donors and sponsors, particularly businesses at amounts of \$500 or more, he said. The popular event is scheduled for Oct. 24.

Bryan Smith of Barry Isett and Associates asked council to approve multiple grant applications for several outdoor projects, including a greenway corridor study and master site plan for the former Thomas Iron Works site, as discussed at the March 1 meeting, and improvements to the basketball courts at Dimmick Park.

The grants are being applied for through multiple providers, and approval of the applications will not necessar-

ily tie the borough to the projects in the event that one or more of the grants is denied for any reason, Rieger clarified. The council voted unanimously to move the applications forward.

The meeting wasn't all positive, however, as well-known local real estate investor and developer Abe Atiyeh had trouble getting council to back his proposal to construct a 40-unit high-rise building for senior citizens on a wooded lot at 30 Bachman St., next to Furnace Street. Atiyeh, who owns several other senior housing facilities in the area, denounced concerns from council regarding effects on parking and other aspects as unfair and "embarrassing."

"You do not have any affordable elderly housing" in Hellertown, Atiyeh said, as he continued uninterrupted for several minutes before Rieger eventually cut him off. Councilman Earl Hill acknowledged the need for local affordable housing for seniors, but maintained his opinion that the area Atiyeh proposed is "likely too small to be home to such a structure. Council voted to not recommend the requested variances for rezoning, as the project was set to come up before the Hellertown Planning Commission at an upcoming meeting.

Boscola's safety law through committee

STATE LEGISLATURE

The Pa. Senate Transportation Committee has unanimously approved Senator Lisa Boscola's legislation requiring drivers to remove ice or snow from their vehicles within 24 hours following heavy snow or ice storms.

Named "Christine's Law," Boscola said Senate Bill 114 would help prevent tragedies like the one that befell Christine Lambert of Palmer Township on Christmas Day 2005. She died when a large piece of ice dislodged from a passing

box truck and crashed through her windshield.

"I have been fighting to get this law on the books ever since that tragic accident over 15 years ago," Boscola said. "I am hopeful the full Senate and then the House will act on this legislation so it will be law by next winter."

"My bill is about safety and responsibility," Boscola said. "Hopefully, Christine's Law will increase public aware-

ness and make people more vigilant about clearing snow and ice from their vehicles."

She said her proposal would strengthen the existing law by deterring drivers and preventing tragedies before they happen.

The current law only penalizes a driver when serious bodily harm occurs from a snow or ice projectile. Christine's Law would be more proactive, giving police of-

ficers discretion to pull over a vehicle on which the buildup of ice or snow poses a potential hazard.

Last session, Boscola's bill, also Senate Bill 114, unanimously passed the Senate in October 2019, but was not voted on by the House of Representatives prior to the session concluding last November. Boscola said she hopes her bill will be acted upon by the full Senate soon to give the House more time for review and action.

Contributed article

OASIS

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been in the Southside for approximately 20 years, according to the resolution.

In spite of the C-Town Supermarket located at 230 E. Third St., the area meets the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) definition of a food desert.

The resolution "urges the Mayor and the City Administration to investigate all feasible options for incentivizing the continued operation of a high-quality grocery store at the Ahart's Market site in order to promote equity and protect the health and well-being

of individuals and families in South Bethlehem."

Being defined as a food desert by USDA is based on census statistics such as income, transportation and other indicators from the community.

Food deserts are described as having a large proportion of low income households, poor access to transportation and not enough grocery stores providing affordable fresh produce and other healthy groceries. Because South Bethlehem is a food desert, residents are denied easy access to high-quality food.

A variety of problems facing a communi-

ty are associated with being in food deserts: higher rates of obesity, increased diabetes and other weight-related diseases. This also impacts children, who need access to nutritious food to get vitamins, minerals and other nutrients needed for healthy growth and development.

According to the resolution, Bethlehem has previously offered low-interest loans and other incentives to attract a high-quality grocery store in South Bethlehem.

Because Bethlehem City Council believes that the loss of Ahart's Market will "seriously harm the health and

wellbeing of individuals and families on the Southside," it passed the resolution 7-0.

"The loss of such a significant source of high quality and affordable food," according to the text of the resolution, "will especially hurt the city's most vulnerable and marginalized communities."

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Katie Harper

Freedom HS

Grade: 12
Family members: My family members are Kim (mom), Tom (dad) and Allie (younger sister).

Favorite subject: My favorite subject is math because I love solving puzzles, and I have always seen math as puzzles that need to be solved. I like that there is always an answer I have to find.

Activities: Throughout high school I have participated in band, fife and drum corps, choir, theater, newspaper and Broadway Club.

Next steps: I plan on going to a four-year college and double majoring in mathematics and theater/drama, with a possible minor in Spanish.

Career goals: My dream is to be on Broadway, but I would also like to pursue a career in mathematics.

Heroe(s): My heroes are Caitlin Kinnunen and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez. Caitlin Kinnunen is a Broadway actress with Type 1 Diabetes, which I also have, who has shown me it is possible to have my dream career while also spreading awareness and managing life as a Type 1 Diabetic. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez is also one of my heroes because she is a strong role model for women everywhere, and she inspires me to stand up and fight for what I believe in.

Hobbies: My hobbies are singing, making art, playing instruments and reading.



Current job(s): I am a babysitter, but I haven't been able to work because of the pandemic.

Volunteer work: I do most of my volunteer work with the Bethlehem Area School District.

Likes: I like music, theater and comedy.

Dislikes: I dislike rude people, ignorance and dishonesty.

Greatest accomplishment (so far): My greatest accomplishment so far is getting straight A's in four AP classes while still being involved in five extracurricular activities and successfully managing my Type 1 Diabetes.

Advice for peers: Try not to take yourself too seriously and try to keep things in perspective. If something isn't going to matter a year from now, it probably isn't worth stressing over.

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



PRESS PHOTO COURTESY SIVICK FAMILY

Elijah Sivick is a member of Boy Scout Troop 302, based out of First Presbyterian Church in Bethlehem.

Liberty HS senior new Eagle Scout

BY CHRIS SEXTON
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Before Hanover Township Supervisors got into what ended up being a nearly three-hour meeting Feb. 26, they lauded Liberty HS senior Elijah Sivick for his achieving Eagle Scout rank.

Supervisor Jeffrey Warren read aloud the proclamation declaring Feb. 23, 2021 as "Elijah John Sivick Day" via

the Zoom meeting. "Thank you all for this. It's really cool to see. I never thought that I'd actually reach this point. I'm just really grateful for this," said Sivick, who was dressed in full Boy Scout uniform and accepted the honor at home with his mother, Lori Sivick, at his side.

Elijah is a member of Boy Scout Troop 302, based out of First Presbyterian Church in

Bethlehem. He earned his Eagle award by creating a tower that will become the new home for a flock of chimney swifts who have taken up residence in the church's existing chimney.

Sivick thought of the project after learning the church's chimney needed to be cleaned but that the roosting swifts were occupying the space. Chimneys left unmaintained present

a fire hazard, but the issue of the birds also needed to be respectfully addressed.

Audubon.org describes the chimney swift as a slender 4-7 inches long, with a wingspan up to a foot. The dark olive and grayish-brown birds once nested in hollow trees, but have steadily been forced to roost in groups inside of large chimneys, which are more readily available.

BETHLEHEM AVTS NOTES

By Emma Ortiz Torres

Recruitment, placement, success

Student success is always at the heart of any school and Bethlehem Area Vocational-Technical School is proud to recognize student education and employment success. Although they have not had a "normal year" students are still excelling and all should recognize their achievements.

Abbreviations: FR, Freedom; LI, Liberty; NO, Northampton; SV, Saucon Valley.

The following students from the Health Career programs have made their college decisions are headed to the following:

Sarah Brown- FR, West Chester University or DeSales University-nursing

Sarah was accepted to each nursing program applied to.

Keily Gaetan-LI, Cedar Crest College-nursing

Abigail Sipel-FR, Cedar Crest College nursing

Cheyenne Orendach-NO, Northampton Community College-dental hygiene

Megan Miller-LI, Moravian Pre-PT

Alena Muschko, NO, Northampton Community College, RN Intent

Myles Merced-NO, Northampton Community College-nursing intent

Morgan Briggs-SV, Northampton Community College- medical field

Jenna Sebring- NO, St. Luke's School of Nursing

Kaila Gazaway-NO, Hofstra University, Nursing

The Health Careers Program has been very successful in its relationship with St. Luke's Hospital. Seniors attend a presentation toward the end of their senior year which gives them a sneak peek at the St. Luke's way. One can find many former students working on one of the campuses in the valley as they complete their degree. Upon graduation, students have learned all skills necessary to act as a PCA. In addition, students are offered the opportunity to learn phlebotomy upon taking and passing the OSHA for Healthcare Providers 10 hour course.

The Electronics Technology program has recently been meeting via Zoom with Lutron representative Ken Borger, personnel supervisor, regarding opportunities within the company. The students are preparing resumes and will then participate in virtual interviews for the positions.

The need for skilled employees has been tremendous the last several years. Many employers reach out for students trained at BAVTS to enhance their workforce. BAVTS would like to recognize the following students and their employers who are currently involved in the school's cooperative education program. These students

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Austin Hoppes



Brandon Mertz



Mick Sullivan



Nathan Sanno

Beth Masiado presents the Vietnam memorial plaque to Liberty Principal Dr. Harrison Bailey III. "We truly need to honor these sacrifices," Bailey said.

Honoring their sacrifices

Plaque memorializes 30 Liberty students who lost their lives in Vietnam

BY DANA GRUBB
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Beth Masiado has been on a many-year mission to remember those Bethlehem area young people who served in Vietnam and didn't come home alive. There are 35 who didn't, and they are memorialized on Church Street in front of Bethlehem's City Hall with their names listed on a monument to their ultimate sacrifice.

Masiado spearheaded fundraising for that memorial, which was dedicated in May 2019. Now excess funds have been used to create a plaque commemorating 30 of those who died and who at one time had been students at Liberty HS.

On March 23, Masiado presented that plaque to Liberty Principal Dr. Harrison Bailey III in his office. Bailey was raised in a military family and envisions the \$1,500 memorial plaque being installed near the entrance to the aptly named Memorial Gymnasium



Liberty Principal Dr. Harrison Bailey III views the 30 names inscribed on the Vietnam memorial plaque with Beth Masiado. "It gives me a chill to think of their sacrifices," said Bailey who was visibly moved upon seeing the list.

"It gives me a chill to think of their sacrifices."

Dr. Harrison Bailey III
Liberty HS principal

"where a lot of people come in and out." Referring to Masiado, Bailey said. "She's been a flame for this project." Masiado chose to do a plaque for installation at Liberty "because they took the biggest hit" in Vietnam War deaths. She is also a graduate of Liberty and her own brother served in Vietnam.

Masiado said there's one more piece to her efforts, a book. In it, all 35 who died in the war will be featured with a profile for each. She notes that "the circle will be complete" when the book proceeds are given to the Lehigh Valley Gold Star Mothers.

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Tyler Eckert, NO-12, Eastern Star Collision; Angel Marro-Miranda, FR-11, Andrew Melo, SV-12, and Brandon Metz, NO-12, Koch 33 Ford; Aiden Piccurio, SV-12 Daku's Auto Body; Andre Ledee, FR-12, More Miles Automotive; Zach Lentz, NO-12, REMCO; Zachary Moore, FR-12, Bellview Pump & Sales; Mia Ulmer, SV-12, Hellertown Bakery; Alex Bortz, SV-12, Borko Home Improvements, Rebecca Coleman, NO-11, Buchanan Housing Authority; Angelee Cuebas, LI-12, Natalai Fuentes, FR-12, LVHN; Joe Hoffmeier, Centennial-12, Maximus Electric; Anthony Rias, LI-12, West Side Hammer Electric; Mark Wurstle, FR-12, BEI Electrical, Keily Gaeten, LI-12, Gabriel Dietrich, SV-12, Deiter Bros.; Charles Villanova, NO-12, Jeff's HVAC; Edgar Akhmedov, LI-12, J&L Precision Machine; Rayden Christoff, NO-11, Jenkins Machine; Mick Sullivan, SV-12, Bracalente; Jacob Raines and Nathan Sanno, both NO-12, Strow's Plumbing and Heating; Tyler Ehret, FR-11; Flexicon; Dylan Green, NO-12-S & R Steel, Austin Hoppes and



Rayden Christoff

Zach Naradko, NO-12, Brey & Krause Manufacturing; Emma Jucewicz, SV-12, Hart Mechanical; Tyler Kluscarits, NO-12, EM Kutz; Braxton Weinhofer, NO-12, AJ Hobel; and Zachery Zeiner, NO-12, Szoke Iron Works.

Despite the challenges posed by the pandemic, BAVTS co-op students, instructors and staff are working hard to meet the needs of our local and regional workforce. BAVTS students are learning and putting into practice key skills and knowledge to provide highly trained, top quality employees to the community's businesses and industries. COVID-19 will not deter BAVTS, which will prevail.

LIST

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Youngstown State University
Khalid Khamis, of Bethlehem, was named to the Youngstown State University President's List for achieving a perfect 4.0 grade point average in the Fall Semester 2020.

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Violinist Irina Muresanu, violin soloist; Inna Nedorezov, ASO principal second violin, during filming of "Irina Muresanu Returns!," Allentown Symphony Chamber Music Concert Series, premiering 7:30 p.m. March 27 and available afterward on-demand on Miller Symphony Hall website: www.MillerSymphonyHall.org

Folk music traditions

Romania, Africa, United States inspire ASO March 27 concert

Folk melodies have long been the inspiration for composers from all over the world and have been passed down for generations.

Often, these melodies were sung or played on flutes, lutes, guitars, violins and cellos. The musicians were usually self-taught and the composers of the original melodies long-forgotten. This music has survived through the ages in the tradition of people gathering together to share their love

CLASSICAL VIEWS

By Diane Wittry



of music.

Even though we are in the middle of a global pandemic, we can still gather, at least virtually, to enjoy music that has been an inspirational part of people's lives for centuries.

Florence Price, the first African-American

composer to have a symphony premiered by a major American orchestra (the Chicago Symphony in 1933) was greatly influenced by folk music and folk dances.

Price's "String Quartet No. 2" utilizes these elements in its third movement, "Juba Dance."

Price's work opens "Irina Muresanu Returns!," the next concert in the Allentown Symphony Chamber Music Concert Series, premiering 7:30 p.m. March 27

and available afterward on-demand on the Miller Symphony Hall website:

www.MillerSymphonyHall.org

The Juba folk dance was originally brought by the Kingdom of Kongo slaves to Charleston, South Carolina. It became an African-American plantation dance involving tapping and patting of the arms that was performed by slaves during their gatherings when no rhythm instruments

See **VIEW**s on Page B6

Palette & Pour it on at SteelStacks

BY LEAH FULS
 Special to The Press

Palette & Pour was launched in November 2020 in the midst of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

With the easing of COVID safety protocol in Pennsylvania, Palette & Pour on the first floor of ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, Bethlehem, has become a destination for music and food.

The name, Palette & Pour, was inspired by the union of art and a reno-

dated venue.

"We knew the first floor of the ArtsQuest Center had more potential and so the redesign is intended to engage guests with great food, great drinks and an upgraded performance experience to showcase local and nationally touring artists," says Patrick Brogan, Chief Programming Officer and Manager of ArtsQuest Center.

The venue changes included improved seating for audiences and high-

er-quality acoustics and production technology for performers.

The new Williams Brew stage was made possible by ArtsQuest Circle donors Dr. Mary Ellen Williams and John Brew. Entertainment is free, but there's a \$10 per person food-drink minimum.

Performances resumed mid-January in Musikfest Cafe on the third floor of ArtsQuest Center. Tickets are required.

"Folks are so happy to be a part of live music

again and we are doing what we can to keep the community connected," says Anne Sturm, ArtsQuest Senior Talent Buyer and Levitt Pavilion Executive Director.

She's optimistic that more outdoor concerts can be held during the April - November season.

Palette & Pour serves as a bar and restaurant as well as a concession stand for the Frank Banko Alehouse Cinemas. The two movie theaters

See **PALETTE** on Page B8

Parkland student's poetry in emotion

Prathysha Kothare loves words, as you can tell from her first book, "Crooked: An Anthology" (2020, 123 pp., \$7.99, print, Amazon, Google; \$6.49, Kindle).

The 18-year-old Parkland High School senior writes poetry, short stories and essays that combine an older tradition of eloquence with a modern outlook on today's world.

"I read a lot of classical literature and 18th and 19th century poetry, but I also add a lot of modern

LITERARY SCENE

By Dave Howell



ism and contemporary styles in my own poetry," Kothare says in a phone interview.

"I am interested in the origin of words. I like language exploration, and to play around with vocabulary and use some obscure

words."

A verse from her poem, "The Broker's Ballad," might have been written a couple hundred years ago: "Yet remained he potent, a tyrant turning the tides of the stock/ Fiendish were his conquests, quick was he to gloat and mock."

The opening verse of "The Dregs" suggest a modern image: "And they went dancing in the rain, stepping on glass with bare feet, downing acid to numb the brain/Screams ringing See **KOTHARE** on Page B6



Prathysha Kothare

READERS PICK THE

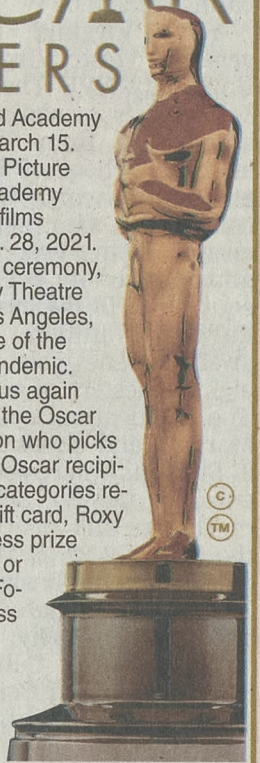
OSCAR WINNERS

Nominations for the 93rd Academy Awards were announced March 15.

The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences 2021 Academy Awards ceremonies are for films released Jan. 1, 2020 - Feb. 28, 2021.

The ABC telecast of the ceremony, 8 p.m. (EST) April 25, Dolby Theatre and Union Station, both Los Angeles, is two months later because of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

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



See **Oscar contest entry form** on Page B2

Curtain Rises

Anti-war play at DeSales

The Greek tragedy, "The Trojan Women," considered one of the earliest anti-war plays, is the second production of the spring semester in Act 1 DeSales University Performing Arts' 2020-2021 season.



Kathy Lauer-Williams

The masterpiece by Greek playwright Euripides is being filmed for streaming on Vimeo March 27 and 28.

The play, written in 415 B.C. during the Peloponnesian War, is about the capture of the Aegean island of Melos and subsequent slaughter and subjugation of its people by the Athenians.

"The Trojan Women" was the third tragedy of a trilogy Euripides wrote dealing with the Trojan War.

After the fall of Troy, the Trojan women grapple with how to survive their future as captives of the Greek conquerors. Euripides describes a chilling picture of the aftermath of war and the desperate attempts of the Trojan Queen, Hecuba, to comfort and lead her subjects concerning their fate, which includes concubines and death after the killing of all the men.

The play has been adapted by Anne Lewis, head of the DeSales Division of Performing Arts.

"Euripides' play is a monumental achievement, and it is just as immediate and profound as when it was first performed in the 5th century B.C.," says Dennis Razzo, Act 1 Artistic Director.

"It deals with the aftermath of a long war, a war that was not so different than our modern wars that have left so many damaged and destroyed lives in their wake," Razzo says.

"These women of Troy give voice to the less heroic side of war as they face an uncertain and frightening future," says Razzo.

Making her Act 1 directorial debut for "The Trojan Women" is DeSales alumnae, Jessica Bedford. In addition to appearing in Act 1 productions such as "The Philadelphia Story," the 2005 graduate was seen in the Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival productions, "Henry IV, Part 1" and "Macbeth," and was nominated for a Barrymore Award for an Emerging Philadelphia Theatre Artist.

Bedford says it's important to examine what the play says to a contemporary audience. She feels it will resonate particularly after a difficult year of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

"The 'Trojan Women,' at first glance, seems to be a meditation on war and grief.

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West Virginia University: West Virginia University-WVU Theatre & Dance is providing a scholarship from WVU and the School of Theatre Dance, which when combined with other awards from West Virginia University, will be equivalent to the cost of university tuition. The award is renewable over eight semesters of study. The application opened March 1 and closes May 8. Students interested in enrolling in WVU School of Theatre and Dance in the Fall of 2022 as Musical Theatre or Design & Technology majors are encouraged to apply.

Muhlenberg College: The Muhlenberg College Scholarship consists of

\$5,000 Talent Scholarship, renewable for three years, to a theater and/or dance student attending a high school which participates in the Freddy Awards program who has been accepted by and decides to attend Muhlenberg College.

DeSales University: DeSales University offers four \$5,000 scholarships renewable for three years for a total of \$20,000 to senior theater students attending a high school which participates in the 2021 Freddy Awards program. Scholarships will be awarded to students who have applied to DeSales after April 1 and who are academically accepted to DeSales University and artistically accepted into the theater program. Materials must be submitted for consideration by May 15. Information: Rebecca Righi, Director of Recruitment, Rebecca.Righi@desales.edu

Northampton Community College: The State Theatre Freddy Awards

Scholarship consists of a \$1,000 per Year Scholarship for NCC's 2021-2022 academic year. Students applying for the 2021 NCC-Freddy Awards Scholarship do not have to be theater majors, but enroll at NCC for the Fall 2021 semester and be registered for six or more credit hours. The deadline is April 30.

Pennsylvania Youth Ballet-Ballet Guild of the Lehigh Valley: Dancers from Freddy-participating schools are eligible for a three-week full scholarship to Pennsylvania Youth Ballet Summer Intensive! Choose three weeks or single-class equivalent, June 21-July 30, for Ballet, Conditioning, Tap, and Musical Theater. Pennsylvania Youth Ballet instructors will choose eight recipients.

For a list of 2021 Scholarship opportunities and contacts:
<http://freddy-awards.org/scholarships-awards>

READERS PICK THE OSCAR WINNERS



This is the entry form for the Lehigh Valley Press Focus section "Readers Pick The Oscar Recipients Contest" for the 93th Academy Awards.

LEAD ACTOR

- Riz Ahmed
"Sound of Metal"
- Chadwick Boseman
"Ma Rainey's Black Bottom"
- Anthony Hopkins
"The Father"
- Gary Oldman
"Mank"
- Steven Yeun
"Minari"

LEAD ACTRESS

- Viola Davis
"Ma Rainey's Black Bottom"
- Andra Day
"The United States v. Billie Holiday"
- Vanessa Kirby
"Pieces of a Woman"
- Frances McDormand
"Nomadland"
- Carey Mulligan
"Promising Young Woman"

SUPPORTING ACTOR

- Sacha Baron Cohen
"The Trial of the Chicago 7"
- Daniel Kaluuya
"Judas and the Black Messiah"
- Leslie Odom Jr.
"One Night in Miami"
- Paul Raci
"Sound of Metal"
- Lakeith Stanfield
"Judas and the Black Messiah"

ANIMATED FEATURE

- "Onward"
- "A Shaun the Sheep Movie: Farmageddon"

SUPPORTING ACTRESS

- Maria Bakalova
"Borat Subsequent Moviefilm"
- Glenn Close
"Hillbilly Elegy"
- Olivia Colman
"The Father"
- Amanda Seyfried
"Mank"
- Yuh-jung Youn
"Minari"

DIRECTOR

- Thomas Vinterberg
"Another Round"
- David Fincher
"Mank"
- Lee Isaac Chung
"Minari"
- Chloé Zhao
"Nomadland"
- Emerald Fennell
"Promising Young Woman"

BEST PICTURE

- "The Father"
- "Judas and the Black Messiah"
- "Mank"
- "Minari"
- "Nomadland"
- "Promising Young Woman"
- "Sound of Metal"
- "The Trial of the Chicago 7"

CONTEST INSTRUCTIONS: Email Oscar Contest Entry Form to: jfisher@ttonline.com; mail to: Jennifer Fisher, The Press, 1633 N. 26th St., Allentown, Pa. 18104; drop off at The Press offices, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Include name, address, telephone number, email (Information will not be published or shared). One entry per person. Entry deadline: 5 p.m. April 23. In event of tie, earliest entry determines winner.

LCCC

Information sessions via Zoom in April

Lehigh Carbon Community College (LCCC)

offers eight virtual information sessions via Zoom April 5-8 to help prospective students and their families understand the steps to apply to LCCC.

Each of the sessions will focus on a career pathway, but students who are undecided on a major are invited to attend any of the sessions. A question and answer session follows the presentations.

There will be a representative from: Admissions, Adult Learners and Veterans, Academic Advising and Transfer Advising, Financial Aid, Online Learning, Educational Support, English Language Learners, First-Year Experience Program and Honors Program.

Following is the schedule of sessions:

- April 5
 - 4 - 5 p.m. - Honors Scholars Program
 - 6 - 7 p.m. - Media, Communication and the Arts
 - April 6
 - 4 - 5 p.m. - Computer Information Systems
 - 6 - 7 p.m. - Business, Paralegal, Hospitality and Sports Management
 - April 7
 - 4 - 5 p.m. - Liberal Arts-General Studies, Education, Psychology, Social Work and Criminal Justice
 - 6 - 7 p.m. - Health Care and Veterinary Technician
 - April 8
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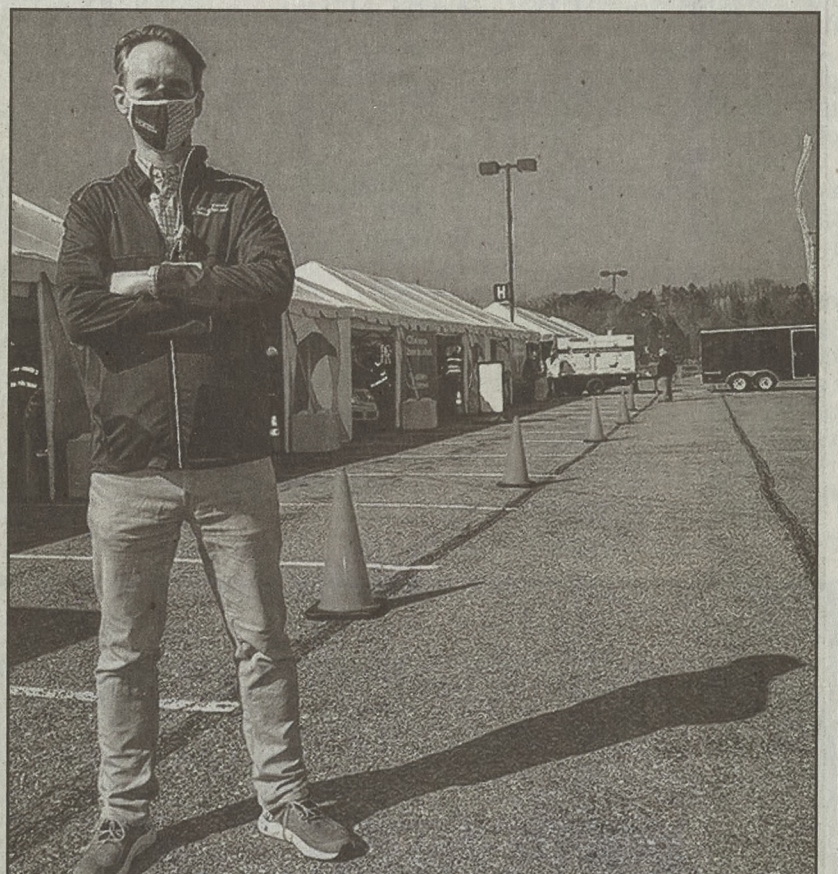
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Worship, 9 a.m.
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Family Worship 10:15 a.m.
Nursery Available
Bible Study Wed. 7:30 p.m.
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Bethlehem
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Email: hokeypres@gmail.com
Web: www.hokeypres.org</p> <hr/> <p>QUAKERS</p> <p>LEHIGH VALLEY FRIENDS MEETING
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Children's Faith Formation 9
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https://heidelbergchurch.my.
webex.com/meet/union</p> <p>JERUSALEM WESTERN SALISBURY CHURCH
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610-868-4441
www.uccbethany.org
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10:45 a.m. Worship
"Come Worship With Us"</p> <hr/> <p>CHRIST UCC SCHOENERSVILLE
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Allentown, PA 18109
610-264-9325
Pastor Ashley Werkheiser
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COVID-19 Safety Plan In Place
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www.facebook.com/ucc5050
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10:30 a.m. Worship
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10:15 a.m. Worship
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9:30 a.m. Worship
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Worship 10 a.m.
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19th St. & Lincoln Ave.
Northampton 610-261-2910
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Handicapped Accessible
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Breinigsville, PA 18031
Phone: 610-285-6157
Rev. Dr. Larry Pickens
www.ziegelschurch.org
9 a.m. Indoor Union Worship
Online worship on Facebook
and YouTube
10 a.m. Zoom Sunday School
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3356 Route 309
Orefield PA 18069
610-398-0172
Rev. Brenda Smith
Worship, 9:00 and 10:45 a.m.
Adult, Youth & Children's Ministries
Handicap Accessible
www.faithweschurch.org
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Second time around



PRESS PHOTOS BY LOU WHELAND
Chris Shelley, paramedic, and Kat Fadule, EMT, are on standby at Lehigh Valley Health Network's Moderna vaccine drive-through March 11 at Dorney Park, South Whitehall.



Timothy Friel, MD, chief of the department of medicine at LVHN, was on hand to monitor the progress of the second COVID-19 Moderna vaccine administration at the drive-through at Dorney Park.

Raise your glass to a good dinner toast

Dear Jacquelyn,
I've heard that giving two toasts at an event such as a dinner party is proper etiquette. Can you please explain when it is appropriate for a host to give the two toasts and how it's done?

RESPECTFULLY YOURS

By Jacquelyn Youst



There are two types of toasts that a host should propose at a dinner party.

The first type is less formal and is offered at the start of the meal. The host may sit or stand and welcome and thank guests for coming.

The second type of toast is more formal and offered at the beginning of dessert. Traditionally, this formal toast is proposed to the person of honor.

The host will rise, stand behind his or her

chair, and raise the glass. After the host has offered the toast, he or she sits down and everyone except the person of honor will drink.

Following the toast, the person of honor should stand behind his or her chair, accept the toast, be seated, and, only then drink.

Keep in mind that it is always important to craft your toast to the type of occasion and who is in attendance. For example, you would say something quite different at a family event versus a work dinner party. With either occasion, warmth and sincerity go a long way in terms of being appreciated and well-received.

Proposing a toast is one of many host respon-

sibilities. In the event that a host does not step up, anyone may take the lead because proposing a toast is gracious and always appreciated.

Celebrating life's big and small events with a memorable toast may seem old-fashioned. However, it will always remain a meaningful gesture.

Respectfully Yours,
Jacquelyn

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Ask before it's too late

How well do you know your parents?

You may think that's a dumb question. Of course you know your parents, you say.

My contention, and that of countless others, is we seldom know all we want to know about our parents until they are gone.

Then, something pops up in your mind and you want to ask mom or dad to tell you about the past that is forever gone. But they are too, so you'll never be able to ask.

My advice: Ask them now. Before it's too late.

I listened this week to a radio show that asked this question: What do you wish you would have asked your parents?

What I wish is that I would have used the same interview techniques with my parents that I use when I do an in-depth interview.

What I do is ask a question, listen carefully to the answer, then ask another related question to delve more. Normally I spend two or three hours doing an in-depth interview until I'm sure I've gotten "the essence" of a person. When you listen carefully you can get a good sense of the person you're interviewing.

Why did I never think of doing that with my mother?

Now that she's gone I find myself wondering exactly how she managed to survive when her father kicked her out of the house at the tender age of 10. I know the bare facts that emerged when I badgered her to know why she revered her mother but had nothing but hostility toward her father.

I liked my grandfather and had fun spending time with him. But my mother assured me the grandfather I knew wasn't the same cruel man of her childhood.

She gave me a few bare facts.

But she never talked about her feelings. She was always focused on the present and seldom talked about her past. And I must have been too focused on myself to ask what I should have.

Most of us learn about our family through the stories we hear growing up. My father was a great storyteller and I learned much about him and his tough life by listening to those stories.

When he told me about having to quit school in fifth grade to help his older brothers operate their independent mine, I asked enough questions to get the details. His job at 10 was to load burlap bags with coal then to stand at the highway selling the coal.

He never told a "pity me" story. Instead, he laughed at what he called his young adventures. He always thought he had a good life.

I regret that my grandchildren never got to know that just two generations ago life was all about surviving.

They know next to nothing about their incredible great-grandpar-

WARMEST REGARDS

By Pattie Mihalik
newsgirl@comcast.net



ents. They also know little about me and their other grandparents.

I want them to know I wasn't always an old grandmother. Two years ago I started the tradition of going to lunch with my grandsons and exchanging stories. I think they learned a few surprising things about me.

But then along came COVID-19, putting an end to our get-togethers.

A few of my writing friends are using their social isolation to write their personal stories to pass along to children and grandchildren.

For those who don't have any idea of how to start making a memory book, commercial companies sell blank books that ask questions to prod your memories. There is space for you to write and to paste in photos.

While some find that helpful, I think the oral tradition of passing along family information by telling stories is often easier ... provided someone makes a record of it.

When my stepfather asked for my help in filling out a form that called for his detailed job history, it was the perfect time for me to learn things about him I never knew.

Ziggy was a quiet man who didn't talk about himself. But when he started talking about his Army experiences, I was amazed at how much I learned about that good man.

My sister Cindy, who's 18 years younger than I am, tells me she knows next to nothing about her dad because "he didn't talk much." She said she didn't even know he was in the Army.

I think that's more common than we believe because many people don't talk about their past unless they are specifically asked.

That's the solution: Ask more. Ask while you can.

And if you have old family photos, share them now while you can.

A relative just sent me an email asking me if I had any photos of her mother that I could share. Her mother was heavy and always refused to have her picture taken. I sent her photos of me with her mother but I was a young girl at the time so that will tell you how old those photos were.

On a social media site another woman asked if anyone had any information to share about her mother who had passed away years ago. I wrote to tell her that her mother was the most popular girl in high school and shared some high school stories.

Once someone passes away, all their stories are irretrievable. But one family story passed along can become priceless.

Contact Pattie Mihalik at newsgirl@comcast.net.

Strategies for self-esteem of daughter, 4

Q. How do I address questions from my four-year-old daughter that are usually asked when she meets new kids her age, questions such as "What if they laugh or make fun of me?" They are always self-doubting questions. How do I increase her confidence and self-esteem in these situations?

THE FAMILY PROJECT

By Carole Gorney



"There are a number of factors involved when you see insecurity in a child that age," panelist Joanne Raftas said.

Raftas, who is the author of a paper on self-esteem, said that being connected is one of the things that helps a child feel better about his or herself: "She might be having difficulty socializing, but at four-years-old there's not much socialization. She may just need to be around more children one on one."

"How is the mother feeling about herself?" panelist Denise Continenza asked. "The child may be picking up on the mother's negative feelings."

"Sometimes parents are critical of their chil-

dren and that could be influencing the child," panelist Wanda Mercado-Arroyo said.

"Unless the girl has had an experience with someone laughing at her, why would she even think of that?" Raftas asked, adding, "Maybe the way the parents are communicating with the girl is creating some anxiety."

Panelist Mike Daniels said, "I'm thinking it would be helpful to tell the four-year-old how to respond to laughter, and how to establish if someone is laughing at or with the girl."

Raftas, referring to her paper, said that there are four basic conditions necessary for high self-esteem. They are connectiveness, power, uniqueness and models.

"It's about feelings," Raftas continued. "You can talk to the child and ask her how she would

feel if someone laughed at her, or didn't want to play with her? This gives the child a sense of power because she has a choice on how she wants to respond."

Uniqueness respects qualities that make individuals different and, in turn, are respected and admired by others for possessing those qualities. The parents can point out the unique qualities of their four-year-old and why others would see them as positives.

Models are reference points that provide us with human, philosophical and operational examples for our lives. Such models help us establish meaningful values, goals, ideals and standards. Pointing out the child's positive models is another step to helping her gain self-esteem.

This week's panel: Pam Wallace, program coordinator, Project Child, a program of Valley Youth House; Denise Continenza, extension educator; Chad Stefanyak, school counselor; Mike Daniels, LCSW, Psy-

chotherapist; Joanne Raftas, Northampton Community College, independent counselor, and Wanda Mercado-Arroyo, former teacher and school administrator.

Have a question? Email: projectchild@projectchildlv.org

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Studies indicate nuts may be heart-healthy

Q. Are nuts really good for your heart?

According to The Harvard Men's Health Watch, studies indicated that healthy men, and those who have already suffered a heart attack, can reduce cardiovascular risk by eating nuts regularly.

Here are some facts about nuts:

- * Fiber. All nuts contain fiber, which helps lower your cholesterol. Fiber also makes you feel full, so you eat less.

- * Some nuts contain plant sterols, a substance that can help lower your cholesterol.

- * Nuts contain mono- and poly-unsaturated fats known to benefit the heart.

- * Many nuts are rich in omega-3 fatty acids. Omega-3s are a healthy form of fatty acids that seem to help your heart by, among other things, preventing dangerous heart rhythms that can lead to heart attacks.

- * Nuts are a source of

HEALTHY GEEZER

By Fred Cicetti
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L-arginine, which is a substance that may help improve the health of your artery walls by making them more flexible and less prone to blood clots that can block blood flow.

- * Vitamin E in nuts may help stop the development of plaques in your arteries, which can narrow them, leading to chest pain, coronary artery disease or a heart attack.

In addition, nuts may help lower cholesterol by simply replacing less healthy foods in your diet.

"Nuts may not be the key to cardiovascular health, but adding nuts to a balanced, healthful diet can take you one step away from heart disease," says Dr. Harvey B. Simon of Harvard Medical School.

However, there isn't hard evidence for the benefits of nuts to your heart.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) only allows food companies to say evidence suggests but does not prove that eating nuts reduces heart disease risk.

Most nuts contain at least some substances that are good for your heart.

However, while nuts are loaded with nutrition, they are also high in calories; as much as 80 percent of a nut is fat.

Two ounces of nuts a week appears to help lower heart disease risk, so don't eat nuts like an elephant or you will become one.

Nuts don't vary a lot in caloric content. Almonds are on the low end with 160 calories per ounce. Macadamias are on the high end with 204 calories per ounce.

Most nuts appear to be good for you. Walnuts, almonds, macadamia nuts,

hazelnuts and pecans are considered very good for your heart.

Walnuts: While all nuts contain heart-healthy omega-3 fats, walnuts have high amounts of alpha linoleic acid (ALA). Research has suggested that ALA may help heart arrhythmias, and a 2006 Spanish study suggested that walnuts were as effective as olive oil at reducing inflammation and oxidation in the arteries after eating a fatty meal.

Almonds: These nuts contain more calcium than any other nut, making them a great food for overall health. They are rich in fiber and vitamin E, an antioxidant that helps fight dangerous inflammation and possibly health conditions such as lung cancer and age-related cognitive decline.

Macadamias: Although high in fat, macadamias supply good levels of the healthy mono-unsaturated variety. They're a rich source of fiber and contain minerals, including magnesium, calcium and potassium.

Hazelnuts: These are a good source of folate, which plays a key role in keeping homocysteine within normal levels. Homocysteine is an amino acid which has been associated with heart problems as well as conditions like Parkinson's disease.

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'The Father' away the better

AT THE MOVIES
By Paul Willistein
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"The Father" is a one-trick pony.

Fortunately, the pony is a thoroughbred, none other than Sir Anthony Hopkins, who, as with so many veteran actors is having the time of his life in "The Father."

Unfortunately, "The Father" is somewhat like being at a horse-racing track, whereby your eyes are riveted, mesmerized, impossible to not look away even as you are alternately filled with thrills and dread (depending on your wager).

If you're a betting man or woman, bet on Sir Anthony to receive the actor Oscar, for which he is nominated, if sentimental favorite, Chadwick Boseman, doesn't receive it posthumously for "Ma Rainey's Black Bottom." At age 83, Hopkins is said to be the oldest actor to be nominated for an Oscar.

And yet, and yet, what is about "The Father" that left me so uninvolved, so irritated, so at a loss after seeing it and so vexed?

Perhaps it's me: Pack your baggage. We're going on a guilt trip.

I witnessed my robust father at 85, whose birth date is March 19, 1906, descend into dementia.

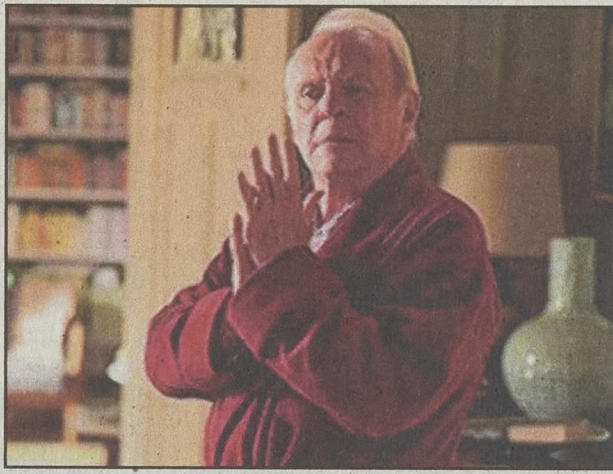
As but one example, dad called me from his hospital bed to the copy desk at the newspaper where I was working, and sternly ordered me: "Get out here. This is terrible. You got to investigate this." My dad was so forceful and so central to my nervous system that I was ready to pick up my notebook and hop in the car.

That was a long time ago, 30 years ago, when my father died at 85.

The scenario replayed with variations about three years ago when my mother gently lifted her hands aloft and looked up from her bed in the long-term care home, and smiling, said, "Don't you think it's time an old lady like me went up there?"

My mother's last days, starting Feb. 28, 2018, were brutal. She did not go gently into that good night.

She died at age 101 and six months on May 1, the same date that my father died. Her depart-the-planet date was a date that I predicted.



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Anthony Hopkins (Tony), Oscar lead actor nominee, among six Academy Award nominations for "The Father."

Therefore, I didn't view "The Father" dispassionately. And I doubt that those among you who've experienced the final days of a loved one, will either.

It seems to me that's what director Florian Zeller (in his theatrical film directorial debut) intended. Zeller co-wrote the screenplay for "The Father" with Christopher Hampton (Oscar recipient, adapted screenplay, "Dangerous Liaisons," 1988; screenplay, "Atonement," 2007; "The Good Father," 1985, the latter which starred Anthony Hopkins) from Zeller's play (described as "a black comedy").

Zeller puts a Pirandellian (as in Luigi Pirandello, Italian playwright, 1867 - 1936; "Six Characters in Search of an Author," 1921) twist on "The Father." Call it "An Author in Search of Six Characters." In this, the play is akin to a theater class actor's exercise. For me, the film doesn't really get past the process, fascinating as that might be for actors and audience.

As with so many films, I cannot go into plot details about "The Father," lest it ruin your enjoyment of the film. Suffice it to say, in my opinion, the film is a one-trick pony, i.e., "someone or something that is skilled in only one area," according to Merriam-Webster. They shuffle the deck. Time moves forward and backward and sideways and upside down. We see the world through the eyes and mind of Hopkins, playing the character, who is named Tony.

In some respects, "The Father" is a suspense film. Tony is a tortured soul and evidences more multiple personalities than that of another Tony actor, Anthony Perkins, as Norman Bates in "Psycho" (1960).

In other respects, "The Father" is a science-fiction thriller. It's as nuanced in its time-warping and parallel universe as "Memento" (2000) and "The Matrix" (1999).

In all respects, "The Father" is not unlike a documentary, but a documentary of the inside of someone's scrambled brain. It's chilling because it's so normal. It's scary because we identify with the daughter. It's a cautionary tale because when you get to a certain age, you may more and more fear your time is here. You become your father, or mother.

At the center of "The Father" is, of course, Anthony Hopkins. And he's why you should see the film. Hopkins (Oscar recipient, actor, "The Silence of the Lambs," 1991; Oscar nominee, "The Remains of the Day," 1993; "Nixon," 1995; "Amistad," 1997; "The Two Popes," 2019) plays an Englishman of some renown and intellect, shifting swiftly from cajoling with a jaunty tap-dance, to hectoring with a withering glower and nasty gruff voice, to stretches of silence, sitting in place and staring into space. Hopkins' beautiful crystalline blue eyes, his still handsome chiseled face and his courtly manner and elegant body language is so strong until ... it's not.

Outstanding in a supporting role is Olivia Colman (Oscar recipient, actress, "The Favourite," 2019) as Anne. Colman is a master of the shattered countenance while maintaining a heart-breaking dignity.

Memorable are Mark Gatiss (The Man), Olivia Williams (The Woman),

Imogen Poots (Laura) and Rufus Sewell (Paul).

The composer is Ludovico Einaudi ("Nomadland," 2020), who plays simple notes and a fragile melody, accompanied by violin.

The problem that I have with "The Father" is not only with its structure, which once you get to the end of it, you may be ready to sing a chorus of Peggy Lee's "Is That All There Is?" (1969), but that it's too clever by far.

We never really get to know "The Father," nor the daughter, nor anyone else in it.

Everyone is coming and going. Time is not of the essence. We don't get to know any of them. Again, I suspect it's by design. We project our experiences with the elderly in our lives, whether family or friends, not unlike what I did.

Despite my misgivings, there is that magnificent performance by Anthony Hopkins.

A long time ago, Lehigh University professor David Amidon, looking down the rising rows of high-rises along Main Street, north of Broad Street, Bethlehem, pronounced them "anterooms to eternity."

And that's what we have here. As for me, for now, I say, as my dad was wont to say: "The Father" away the better.

"The Father," MPAA rated PG-13 (Parents Strongly Cautioned). Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13. Parents are urged to be cautious. Some material may be inappropriate for pre-teens (agers.) for some strong language and thematic material; Genre: Drama; Run time: 1 hr., 37 min. Distributed by Sony Pictures Classics.

Credit Readers Anonymous: "The Father" was filmed at Blythe House, London, and in West London Film Studios.

dios.

Oscar contender: "The Father" is nominated for six Oscars: best picture (David Parfitt, Jean-Louis Livi, Philippe Carcassonne), actor (Hopkins), supporting actress (Colman), editing (Yorgos Lamprinos), production design (Peter Francis, Cathy Featherstone).

Congratulation, Amanda: Speaking of Oscar contenders, congratulations to Amanda Seyfried, an Allentown native, who is nominated for a supporting actress Oscar for her role as Marion Davies in "The Mank."

At The Movies: "The Father" was seen in Frank Banko Cinemas, ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, Bethlehem. COVID-19 safety protocol was followed, including online ticket purchase, contactless forehead temperature check upon entering, face-mask wearing, hand-sanitizers, and social-distancing seating in the theater, which, at 15 persons for the 4:30 p.m. March 13 screening, was considered sold-out.

Movie Box Office, March 19 - 21: "Raya and the Last Dragon" continued at No. 1 with \$5.1 million, on 2,261 screens, \$23.4 million, two weeks. "Tom and Jerry" continued at No. 2 with \$3.8 million, on 2,508 screens, \$33.7 million, four weeks. "The Courier" opened at No. 3 with \$2 million, on 1,433 screens, opening.

Speaking of opening, for the first time in about one year, movie theaters in Los Angeles re-opened with capacity restrictions.

4. "Chaos Walking" dropped one place, \$1.9 million, on 2,132 screens, \$9.6 million, three weeks.

5. "The Croods: A New Age" stayed in place, \$620,000, on 1,411 screens, \$55.2 million, 17 weeks.

6. "Boogie" dropped two places, \$600,000, on 1,184 screens, \$3.2 mil-

lion, three weeks. 7. "The Marksman" stayed in place, \$480,000, on 1,002 screens, \$14.2 million, 10 weeks. 8. "Wonder Woman 1984" stayed in place, \$460,000, on 1,158 screens, \$45.5 million, 13 weeks. 9. "The Little Things" stayed in place, \$340,000, on 1,130 screens, \$14.7 million, eight weeks. 10. "The Father" dropped two places, \$321,701, on 933 screens, \$969,640, four weeks. 11. "The War with Grandpa," co-starring Allentown's Oakes Fegley, moved up two places, \$97,426, on 413 screens, \$20.8 million, 24 weeks.

Unreel, March 26
"Nobody," R: Ilya Naishuller directs Bob Odenkirk, Connie Nielsen, RZA and Christopher Lloyd in the Action Crime Drama. A bystander helps a woman being harassed by men and is targeted by a drug dealer.

"Shoplifters of the World," No MPAA Rating: Stephen Kijak directs Helena Howard, Joe Manganiello, Olivia Luccardi, James Bloor, Ellar Coltrane, Thomas Lennon and Elena Kampouris in the Comedy Drama. In 1987 in Denver, Col., the lives of four friends is thrown into disarray with the breakup of their favorite British rock band, The Smiths.

"Six Minutes to Midnight," PG-13: Andy Goddard directs James D'Arcy, Eddie Izzard, Judi Dench and Jim Broadbent in the Thriller Drama. In 1939 in the United Kingdom, an English teacher disappears before World War II begins.

"The Seventh Day," R: Justin P. Lange directs Guy Pearce, Stephen Lang and Keith David in the Horror film. A well-known exorcist joins forces with a young priest.

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were allowed. Composer Georges Enescu was also greatly influenced by folk music and the traditional melodies of his Romanian heritage. He wrote his "Romanian Rhapsody No. 1" when he was just 19-years-old. The term "rhapsody," when used as a title for a musical composition, promises music that is tuneful, exciting and improvisatory.

In this piece, Enescu quotes a series of Romanian folk tunes. The most prominent was called: "Am un leu i vreau s-l beau," which translates as "I have a coin, and I want a drink."

"Romanian Rhapsody No. 1" was written for full orchestra. Our concert will feature the Schadt Competition 1st place winner (1997), Violinist Irina Muresanu, in a new version for strings and solo violin.

Irina is from Romania and brings a unique flair to this special arrangement created just for her by Cristian Lolea. There are added violin cadenzas and lots of virtuoso playing as the music swirls through a series of whirling folk dances.

Irina Muresanu has performed all over the world as a soloist and chamber musician. Her concerts, acclaimed for passionate performances, have been cited by The Boston Globe as among the "Best of Classical Music Performances."

In addition to her solo performance career, she is an Associate Professor at the University of Maryland and has taught at Boston Conservatory and the Harvard University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology music departments.

Johannes Brahms was also a composer greatly inspired by folk music. One of the best examples of this is his popular "Hungarian Dance No. 5," written originally for piano. Members of the ASO will perform a version transcribed to feature Irina Muresanu as a violin soloist with string accompaniment.

Our program inspired by folk music concludes with a string quartet written by Antonin Dvorak.

Dvorak, toward the end of his life, was enticed to leave Czechoslovakia for a prominent position teaching in New York City. During this time, he spent summers living in the rural farming community of Spillville, Iowa.

Dvorak has always been admired for his ability to weave folk melodies from his native land of Czechoslovakia into his music. It was easy for him to shift his focus to capturing the essence of nature that surrounded him while he was staying in Iowa during the summers.

Dvorak's "String Quartet No. 12 in F Major" was sketched quickly in just three days and reflects traits of American, Slavic and other folk traditions. It has a warm "pastoral" essence, and even includes music inspired by a bird call that Dvorak heard outside his house. This work has become known as the "American Quartet" in honor of the Iowa countryside that inspired it.

Performing in the concert of music inspired by folk melodies, in addition to our



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Allentown Symphony Chamber Music Concert Series musicians during taping of "Irina Muresanu Returns!," premiering 7:30 p.m. March 27 and available afterward on-demand on Miller Symphony Hall website: www.MillerSymphonyHall.org

world-renown soloist, Irina Muresanu, are members of the Allentown Symphony Orchestra: Eliezer Gutman, Concertmaster; Inna Nedorezov, Principal Second Violin; Agnes Maurer, Principal Viola; Jameson Platte, Acting Principal Cello, and Nathaniel Chase, Section Bass.

We are fortunate to have such wonderful world-class musicians as regular members of

the Allentown Symphony Orchestra.

I encourage you to "tune-in" to this wonderful concert of toe-tapping music inspired by folk melodies from throughout the ages.

See you at the Symphony!

Diane Wittry is Music Director and Conductor of the Allentown Symphony Orchestra; Music Director and Conductor of The Gar-

den State Philharmonic, New Jersey, and author of "Beyond the Baton: What Every Conductor Needs To Know" and "Baton Basics: Communicating Music Through Gestures." Wittry, one of "Musical America" Worldwide Top 30 Musical Influencers," teaches conducting workshops throughout the United States and Europe.

KOTHARE

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loud and indiscreet."

In January, Amanda Gorman, a young woman of 22, read her work at the inauguration of President Joe Biden. Kothare says Gorman "inspired other people. It showed that everyone can express themselves through poetry."

"It has a wonderful ability to convey a message. Our modern society errs on the side of brevity."

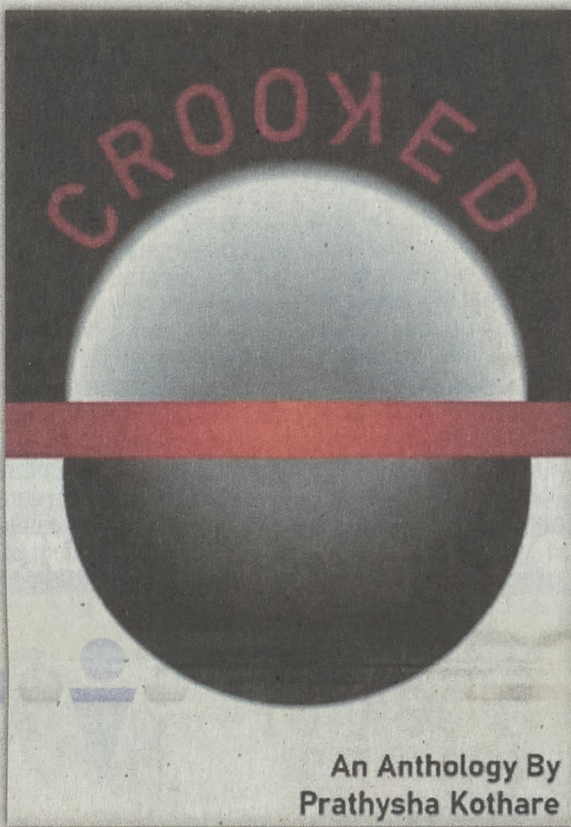
In the social media environment where people consume short bursts of information, poetry can deliver an emotional message in few words.

"Poetry makes a succinct comment on social human themes," she says.

Kothare has been accepted at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where she plans to major in chemical engineering with a focus on biology.

In 2018, at age 15, she won a grand award at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair for biomedical engineering research.

Her father is Dr. Mauresh Kothare, Professor of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering. Kothare has grown up in India and Brazil, where her mother is from, as well as the United States,



An Anthology By Prathysha Kothare

giving her an insight into different languages and cultures.

Kothare has been host of WDIY Lehigh Valley Public Radio's "Teen Connect" program for about one year. The show examines local and world issues that affect teens and the community. She became host after being interviewed on the station about her scientific research and historical essays.

The title of her book,

"Crooked," was inspired by what she says is the skewed world we live in. The middle of the book contains four short essays, which she calls "poetic discourses," about philosophical questions. She says the book's format was inspired by her time on the Parkland Debate team.

"They are essays without a lot of facts. As a debate captain, I had to teach essay-writing. You write an introduction

with a 'hook' to give a picture to the audience, which is then followed by organized facts to support the premise."

Proceeds from "Crooked" will be donated to construct a computer lab in Kenya. Kothare leads a cultural exchange project with Kenya.

"In the elementary school I used to go to, there were pen pals with Kenya. Kids would talk about art projects or books they read. There would also be live video chats and virtual letter exchanges."

She contacted The Baum School of Art, Allentown, and local churches to provide supplies and aid to Kenya.

At the conclusion of "Crooked" are three short stories and a preview of her next project, a novel, "The Donovan Homicide," set in Boston, New York City and Europe.

"It's a change from what I was doing before," she says, "a mystery novel set in the 1970s. The hero is partly Sherlock Holmes, but with flaws, coming from a less than ideal background."

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DESALES

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But closer examination reveals something more impactful," Bedford says.

"It's a play about how the victims of the Trojan War recover, how they go on, how they choose to live after surviving tragedy," says Bedford.

"As we embark on this production after a trying year, it's my aim that revisiting this story offers connection and a message about how brave and human it is to rebuild and to hope," Bedford says.

The play is recommended for ages 14 and up.

Hecuba is played by senior Jess Gliot, last seen as Rosalind in Act 1's fall virtual production of Shakespeare's "As You Like It."

The other principals are PJ Moran (Thalysius), Hayley Bonnett (Andromache), Kay Danubio (Cassandra), Megan Castellane (Helen) and Will Pearce (Menelaus).

Elizabeth Junkin leads a Greek chorus of Sydney Abbott, Josie LaTorres, Mikayla Johnson, Megan Dean and Courtney Bulger.

The Greek soldiers are played by Jabari Williams, Iyanu Joshua, Kevin Regan



Jessica Bedford

and Dominick Esposito.

Sets are by Will Neuert, costumes are by Rebecca R. Callan, lighting design is by DeSales senior RJ Craig, and sound design is by 2010 DeSales graduate Ian P. Carr.

The production was filmed by DeSales' TV-Film students.

Tickets: www.de-sales.edu; 610-282-3192. An email the day prior to selected viewing date includes production link, instructions and password

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Trexo Plus robotic exoskeletons helps children walk.

Good Shepherd Rehabilitation adds two robotic exoskeletons

Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Network, a nationally-recognized physical and cognitive rehabilitation leader that pioneers innovative health-care solutions, has added two new Trexo Plus robotic exoskeletons to its leading-edge rehabilitation technology that helps children walk, maybe even for the first time in their lives.

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"This life-changing technology allows Good Shepherd to transform lives through leading-edge rehabilitation care," said Michael Spigel, PT, MHA, President

& CEO of Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Network.

The new Trexo Plus devices are the result of gifts from the Good Shepherd Women's Giving Circle and the Greater Lehigh Valley Auto Dealers Association (GLVADA).

"Thank you to the Good Shepherd Women's Giving Circle and GLVADA for their generous support of Good Shepherd Pediatrics and the families for whom we care," Spigel said.

"We are grateful to both organizations, and all of our philanthropic partners, for sharing our vision," said Spigel.

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"From the smallest Trexo to the largest size, our pediatric rehabilitation clinicians can now help a greater number of children achieve optimal walking patterns at a crucial time in their development," said Amanda Kleckner, PT, DPT, administrative director of Good Shepherd Pediatrics.

"The technology helps children build new pathways in the brain to

learn or relearn motor patterns, prevent future delays in development and strengthen bones," Kleckner said.

The Trexo technology is available at the south Allentown-based Good Shepherd Health & Technology Center, 850 S. Fifth St.

Good Shepherd is conducting a research study into how the device impacts children with cerebral palsy. Families across the United States have inquired about the technology and research study.

Information: 1-888-44-REHAB; Good Shepherd Pediatrics' website

Information about Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Network:

<https://www.goodshepherdrehab.org/about-good-shepherd/our-history/>

The show will go on for some high school musicals; Emmaus, Parkland, Northwestern jump into streaming

BY ED COURRIER
Special to The Press

While the State Theatre Center for the Arts, Easton, and WFMZ-TV plan another televised and online tribute for the Freddy Awards for 2021, several Lehigh Valley high school theater departments are working to produce spring musicals.

The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic closed down most high school musicals in 2020. Continued restrictions to contain the pandemic have hindered high school productions and cancelled Freddy Awards evaluations for 2021.

In spite of these setbacks, several schools are working to make the spring musical season come back to life.

In order to follow CDC and Pennsylvania Department of Health COVID social distancing and safety protocol, the shows are expected to be performed outdoors or available for online viewing.

Northwestern Lehigh High School's production of "Mary Poppins" will be live-



Freddy Awards logo is displayed in the State Theatre box office during the 2018 awards event.

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streamed April 9 and 10, says Director Bill Mutimer.

Emmaus High School will be producing "Tuck Everlasting" and streaming it in early June, according to Director

Jill Kuebler. Parkland High School's "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat"

online show runs tentatively May 21-23, says Director

Francis Anonia. Northampton Area High School screened a revue of segments from previous seasons productions on March 12 and 13.

Other local schools with musical productions in the works include Freedom, Whitehall, Salisbury, and the Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts.

The "Freddy Awards: A Television Special Celebrating the High School Musical Class of 2020" premiered May 21 on 69-WFMZ, a long-time partner with the State Theatre for the telecast.

This year's virtual tribute event is scheduled for 7 p.m. May 27.

"The restrictions of the pandemic will prevent our evaluative process once again, so it will be another creative year," said Shelley Brown, Executive Producer of the awards program and President and CEO of the State Theatre, in a Jan. 12 press release.

"Thanks to our partnership with WFMZ, we will still

produce a television special that will celebrate the high school students' work, but we will be unable to evaluate any high school shows in our traditional fashion," Brown said.

"The bright spot in all of this is the fact that WFMZ is committed to another broadcast in which we can celebrate the kids. We will work together to make this as special as we can," said Brown.

"And it is very important to us that our college scholarship opportunities continue. Our program is a top priority to the theater, but we need to adapt this year's changing landscape," Brown said.

Named after the historic theater venue's "Fred the Ghost," the Freddy Awards were created to recognize and reward outstanding achievement in local high school musical theater. J. "Fred" Osterstock had managed the company that owned the theater from 1936 until his death in 1957.

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Dr. Brian A. Nester, Lehigh Valley Health Network President and CEO, announces a donation of three vehicles from Bennett Toyota to LVHN as COVID-19 Mobile Vaccination vehicles.

Bennett Toyota donates vehicles to LVHN mobile vaccination unit

Bennett Toyota has donated three new vehicles to Lehigh Valley Health Network for use as part of LVHN's COVID-19 mobile vaccination unit.

LVHN began the COVID-19 mobile vaccination unit in January as a way to reach large concentrations of people eligible for the vaccine, but unable to get to hospitals or drive-through clinics.

"Thanks to Bennett Toyota, we will be able to get to more people who need the vaccine, specifically our neighbors who were disproportionately affected by the pandemic," said Brian A. Nester, DO, MBA, LVHN President and Chief Executive Officer. "We are grateful for their generosity and look forward to doing our part to help the community," Nester said.

"LVHN is in the business of saving lives and at Bennett Toyota, we are happy to help," said Rob Bennett, President



Three Toyota Mobile Vaccination vehicles were donated to LVHN by Bennett Toyota.

and owner of Bennett Toyota.

"We are honored to provide these vehicles to LVHN and hope they will assist in distributing the vaccine to even more people throughout our community," Bennett said.

The COVID-19 mobile vaccination unit, which serves the Lehigh Valley region, will be going to senior high rises, community centers and other facilities to reach community members with limited transpor-

tation and other access barriers. The vehicles will be used to transport vaccines; IT infrastructure, including computers, and the medical team.

More than 2,000 have been vaccinated through the program, mostly at skilled nursing facilities and personal-care homes not served by commercial pharmacies.

Information about the COVID-19 vaccine: www.LVHN.org/Vaccines

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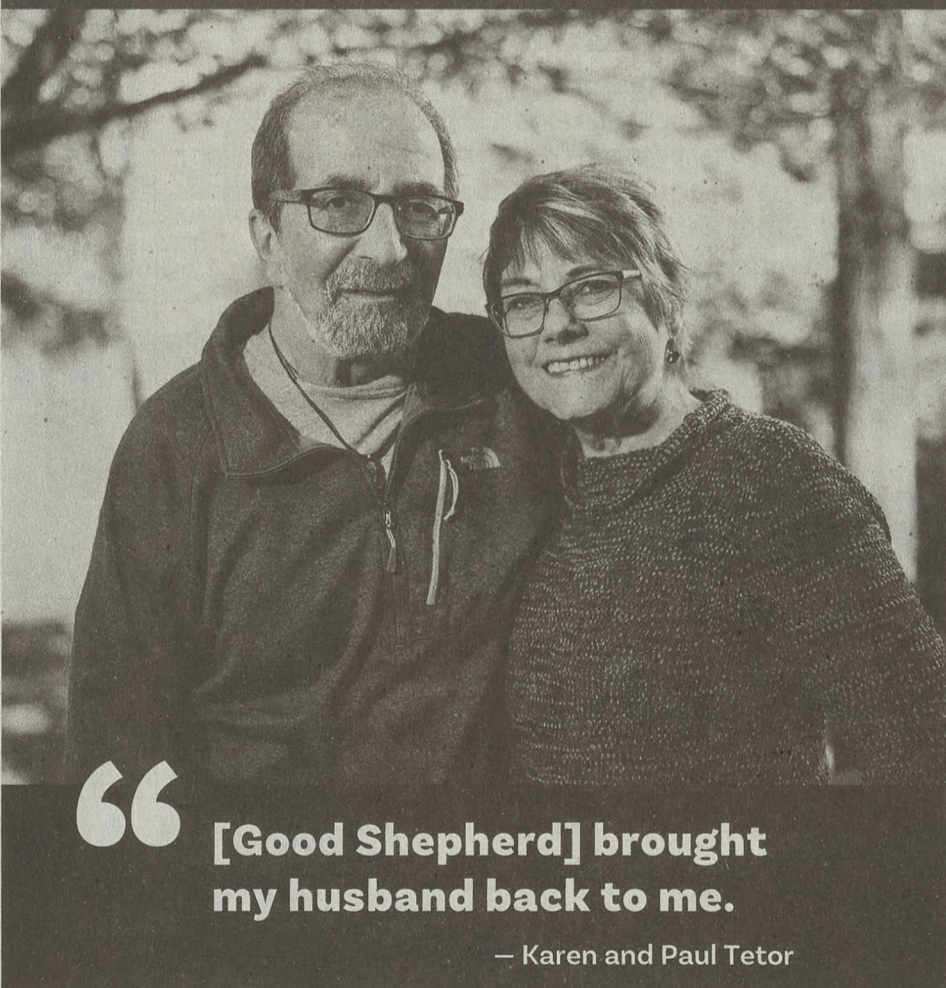
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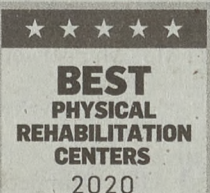
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View of dining area, bar and stage, Palette & Pour, ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, Bethlehem.

PALETTE

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can be rented by groups, which can range from a couple's night out to a child's birthday party.

For film screenings, capacity of a theater is limited to 15 percent, which translates to 15 in the smaller theater and 30 in the larger theater.

Prior to a screening, ArtsQuest-produced and CinemaSafe movie industry films are shown, explaining how the theaters are being kept safe and clean.

"We are dedicated to a safe, enjoyable experience for everyone," says Anthony DeSanctis, ArtsQuest Cinema-Comedy Specialist.

ArtsQuest has invested time and money into keeping not only its theaters, but the entire SteelStacks campus



PRESS PHOTO BY LEAH FULS

Anthony DeSanctis, ArtsQuest Cinema-Comedy Specialist, and Anne Sturm, ArtsQuest Senior Talent Buyer and Levitt Pavilion Executive Director, at Palette & Pour, ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, Bethlehem.

safe.

Face masks are required.

Hand-sanitizer stations are located outside of entrances for people to use as they enter and leave the building.

Electrostatic disinfect-

ant sprayers are used between events.

A patron's temperature is taken with a contactless electronic thermometer at the entrance.

Information: www.steelstacks.org

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Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

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

Answer to previous puzzle

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

CRYPTOGRAM

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EBLW HBD BE VOW VM XZW MTOOD EXVVFWE,
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PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

INTERNAL IDENTIFICATION ACROSS

- Pop's partner
- Hooded serpent
- Bygone ruler
- Tavern seats
- Nuptial promise
- Popular typeface
- Possesses, in the Bible
- Is unable to
- "Cocoon" co-star
- Red gem
- Singer Keys
- Talk formally
- "Never on Sunday" star
- Suckerfishes
- Tickles pink
- do-well (idle sort)
- She voiced Elsa in "Frozen"
- Pigpens
- "Desperate Housewives" character
- Dickens' "Tiny" lad
- Conclude
- By means of
- 18th Constitution addition
- Tehran dweller
- Restroom, informally
- "-ching!"
- 1983 Streisand title role
- Popular Toyota model
- Person decorating
- Brain product
- Eden woman
- It's south of San Diego, California
- "Nunnery" has three
- Tee off
- Political activist — X
- "No, No, —" (old musical)
- "Find — and fill it"
- Of a maritime mil. branch
- Lofty poem
- These, to Gabriela
- Swede transplanted to the U.S., say
- In position
- Tycoon Onassis
- Olympic code for Quito's country
- Roman 2,051
- Earp of Tombstone
- "Desk Set" actress
- Me, myself —
- Stay
- Way to watch a film at home
- Rapid transit system of a large Spanish city
- Footways
- First-year athlete
- Use a wand reader on
- Jim Croce hit that's apt for eight answers in this puzzle

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
19			20						21			22						
23			24						25			26						
27						28	29				30							
31				32	33			34							35			
36						37	38				39	40	41					
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57							58			59					60			
61					62	63		64	65			66	67		68			
69				70			71	72					73		74			
75				76		77						78			79			
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119							120				121	122	123					
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- Current flow measure
- Comic Idle
- Arctic
- Gun, in slang
- Magoo's title
- Concluded
- "It was — and stormy night ..."
- cone (cold treat)
- Figure skater Ito —
- Having a smell
- French for "my friend"
- Shutterbug's shooter
- Metal deposit
- Pen brand
- 2011-19 Chicago mayor — Emanuel
- Away from the wind
- Feel great excitement from
- Basking box
- Baseballer's turn to hit
- Poetry devices
- Sound mark
- Soft powder
- Big Mac components
- As if scripted
- Longest French river
- Step
- Heaps
- Spike of film

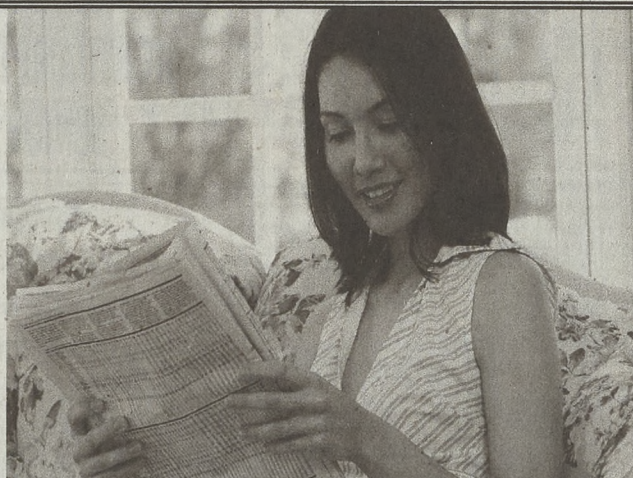
- Lauder of perfumery
- Prefix with -dextrous
- Certain Slav
- Pop singer Diamond
- Greek Z
- Small hotel
- Small vortex
- Shared, as interests
- Phil of skiing
- Bitter feud
- Determined to do
- Map books
- Division of Canada
- Very unusual achievement
- Yoko of the avant-garde
- Sword handle
- Ana who won the 2008 French Open
- Cat with no tail
- "Tell — was dreaming!"
- Glacier or floe
- Maximum or minimum: Abbr.
- Steely Dan album with the hits "Peg" and "Deacon Blues"
- NFL's Cowboys, on scoreboards
- German "a"
- Hitachi rival
- Arm bone
- Living in — (oblivious to current events)

- "Dedicated to the — Love"
- Swampy area
- PC key
- 6/6/44
- Accurse
- Austen novel
- Lyricist Gershwin
- Part of TNT
- Group of spectators
- "Tickle Me" Muppet
- French for "nothing"
- Arch used in croquet
- Tightened up
- QB's error: Abbr.
- Area for mobile campers
- Johnson who directed "Star Wars: The Last Jedi"
- Pets' jinglers
- Golfer Tom who won the 1996 British Open
- Be beaten by
- James — Garfield
- Actress Watts
- Rain units
- PC shortcut
- With full force
- St. Pat's isle
- Satyr's look
- TV host Kelly
- Psalm starter
- Suffix with pay or boff
- Road goo

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Anthony Lee - Space #705
Candido Soto - Space #1113
Mar. 17, 24

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Miguel Lopez - Space #1287
Mar. 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NOTICE is hereby given that on February 26, 2021, Certificate of Organization was filed in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for **Kay Willowbrook, LLC**, in accordance with the provisions of the Limited Liability Act of 1994.
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Bethlehem, PA 18018
Mar. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF LOUISE N. CARPENTER, late of 350 S Cedarbrook Road, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, deceased.
LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION on the above Estate 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 payment without delay, to:
Ann Carpenter
510 E 20th Street
Northampton, PA 18067
Mar. 24, 31, Apr. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE
ESTATE OF PATRICIA JEAN LEAYMAN, a/k/a **PATRICIA LEAYMAN**, a/k/a **PATRICIA J. LEAYMAN**, deceased, late of Macungie, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to **Randy R. Leayman**, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payment without delay, to: **Randy R. Leayman, Executor**, c/o **CRAIG B. NEELY, Esq.**, 209 Main Street, Emmaus, PA 18049, 610-928-1188.
Mar. 24, 31 & Apr. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Mary Elizabeth Romão, Deceased, late of the City of Whitehall, County of Lehigh and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Letters of 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: **AnnaMaria Blose**
5 Coopers Way
Kempton, PA 19529
or to her Attorney:
Neil D. Ettinger, Esquire
Ettinger & Associates, LLC
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1815 Schadt Avenue - Ste. #4
Whitehall, PA 18052
Mar. 24, 31, Apr. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE

LEGAL 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 5th day of April, 2021, at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, an Ordinance repealing in its entirety Chapter 252 Vehicles and Traffic, Article VI, Pedal Cycles, dealing with the Licensing of Pedal Cycles.
Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the meeting will be held electronically through Zoom. To access the meeting through your computer go to: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88155699223> and enter Meeting I.D.: 881 5569 9223. To access the meeting by phone, dial 1-267-831-0333 US (Philadelphia).
Copies 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.
The following is the proposed Ordinance:
ORDINANCE NO. _____-21

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA REPEALING IN ITS ENTIRETY CHAPTER 252 VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ARTICLE VI, PEDAL CYCLES DEALING WITH THE LICENSING OF PEDAL CYCLES

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania (the "Township") enacted A Certain Ordinance contained in the Code of Ordinances of the Township under Chapter 252 Vehicles and Traffic, Article VI, Pedal Cycles dealing with the licensing of Pedal Cycles; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township believe that it would be in the best interests of the Township and the residents of the Township that Chapter 252 Vehicles and Traffic, Article VI Pedal Cycles of the Code of Ordinances be repealed in its entirety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON, PENNSYLVANIA THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, CHAPTER 252, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ARTICLE VI PEDAL CYCLES, IS HEREBY REPEALED IN ITS ENTIRETY.

James L. Broughal, Solicitor
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Mar. 17, 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
The regular meeting of the Lehigh Carbon Community College Board of Trustees on April 1, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., will be held in person and online due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Please visit the college website at www.lccc.edu for information on remote participation.
Mar. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

FICTITIOUS NAME REGISTRATION
An application for registration of the fictitious name **RapPAW Dog Training, 2923 Clayton St EASTON PA 18045** has been filed in the Department of State at Harrisburg, PA, File Date **02/03/2021** pursuant to the Fictitious Names Act, Act 1982-295. The name and address of the person who is a party to the registration is **Lucas Rappa, 2923 Clayton St Easton PA 18045**.
Mar. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF HEIDI E. ULSHAFFER late of the City of Bethlehem, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary on the above named estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to:
WILLIAM A. YOUNG, JR.
Executor
c/o **GAIL WEINER SHEARER, ESQUIRE**
or to:
GAIL WEINER SHEARER, ESQUIRE
70 E. Broad Street
PO Box 1426
Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426
March 17, 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF EVELYN M. GROSS, late of the Township of Upper Macungie, County of Lehigh and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary on the above named estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay, to:
JEFFREY EARL GROSS
Executor
c/o **GAIL WEINER SHEARER, ESQUIRE**
or to:
GAIL WEINER SHEARER, ESQUIRE
70 E. Broad Street
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March 17, 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF GRACE E. JENKINS, late of the City of Easton, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary on the above named estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay, to:
ALLISON E. PHILLIPS-KRUTSICK
Aka **ALLISON E. JENKINS**
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PUBLIC NOTICE

SOUTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP
Notice is hereby given that a public meeting will be held virtually on the WebEx platform at <https://tinyurl.com/4sme799h> on **Wednesday March 31, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.** The purpose of the meeting is to introduce Phase 4 of the South Whitehall Township Comprehensive Plan Update, review the Phase 4 Working Group process, have participants engage in up to three breakout sessions to learn more about the five working group topics (Housing, Transportation, Community Facilities, Community Utilities, and Resource Protection), and allow participants to sign up for the Phase 4 Working Groups. Staff and consultants will be on-hand to guide residents through the process. This will be an initial meeting and additional virtual meetings are envisioned. Participants may sign up to attend the meeting at <https://forms.gle/eBJWT5EoNncZ3qed8>. Signing up is not required, but those who do will receive additional information and updates via email. For more information visit www.swtcomplan.org or www.southwhitehall.com.
Gregg Adams, Planner
Community Development Department
Mar. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Carol A. Tanner, Deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:
Patricia Mary Smothers aka Pat Smothers Estate of Carol A. Tanner
c/o **Andrew V. Schantz, Esquire**
Davidson & McCarthy, P.C.
Two City Center
645 Hamilton Street, Suite 510
Allentown, PA 18101
or to her attorneys at the above address.
Mar. 10, 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF JEANNETTE YADUSH, deceased, late of Allentown, PA. All persons having claims or demands against the 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 administrator or his attorney named below:
Executrix:
PAMELA HANEY
c/o Feldman Law Offices, P.C.
2310 Walbert Ave, Ste. 103
Allentown, PA 18104
Attorney: **SAMUEL F. FELDMAN, Esquire**
Feldman Law Offices, P.C.
2310 Walbert Ave, Ste. 103
Allentown, PA 18104
March 24, 31, Apr. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF JEAN B. JOHNSON, Deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Thomas J. Lukish, Sr. a/k/a Thomas Lukish, Executor
c/o David B. Schwartz, Esquire
514 Fullerton Avenue, Suite 2
Whitehall, PA 18052
or to: **David B. Schwartz, Esquire**
514 Fullerton Avenue, Suite 2
Whitehall, PA 18052
March 10, 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Weisenberg Township Board of Supervisors will consider for possible adoption an ordinance entitled "**AN ORDINANCE OF WEISENBERG TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA ESTABLISHING MODIFIED REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR EARTH MOVING ACTIVITIES AND REQUIRING THE FILING OF AN EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PLAN FOR EARTH DISTURBANCE ACTIVITY GREATER THAN 5,000 SQUARE FEET BUT LESS THAN ONE(1) ACRE ON ANY LOT OR TRACT OF LAND LOCATING IN THE TOWNSHIP.**" The new ordinance will replace the Township's existing Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan ordinance.
The Board of Supervisors will consider the foregoing Ordinance at a public meeting on April 12th 2021 at 7 pm at the Township Building, 2175 Seipstown Rd., Fogelsville, PA 18051. A copy of the full text of this Ordinance is available to any interested party for inspection and/or copying at the Township Office, 2175 Seipstown Rd., Fogelsville, PA 18051, M-F 8:30 am - 4 pm, or for inspection during normal business hours at the offices of this newspaper, Northwestern Press, 1633N. 26th St., Allentown, PA 18101. All interested parties are invited to attend this meeting.
The Weisenberg Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Any person that requires special assistance to understand the nature of the business conducted at the above meeting because of visual, hearing, or other impairment is requested to contact the Township Administrator at least five days prior to the scheduled meeting to arrange for the necessary assistance.
Brian C. Carl, Administrator
Mar. 24, Apr. 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING BOARD REORGANIZATION MEETING AND APPEAL ALLEN TOWNSHIP
Notice is hereby given, under the Code of Allen Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, Chapter 27 (Zoning), Part 1909, as amended, that a public hearing will be held by the Allen Township Zoning Hearing Board, at the Allen Township Fire Company Building, located at 3530 Howertown Road, Northampton, Pennsylvania, 18067.
DATE OF HEARING: April 6th, 2021
TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.
The following appeal will be heard:
Hearing 2021-01 - To hear the request and appeal of Jay Ambey, LLC (Appellant/ Purchaser of Property), of 1679 Nor Bath Boulevard, Northampton, PA 18067. The subject parcel is the adjacent parcel to 1679 Nor Bath Boulevard, which is located at 106 Commerce Drive (Tax Map Parcel # L4 12 7A)
The Appellant/Purchaser of property hereby seeks a variance in accordance with the provisions of the Allen Township Code of Ordinances, Chapter 27, Part 1909. The appellant is requesting a variance to reduce the rear yard setback of the existing structure located on the adjoining parcel (to be purchased). This property is located in the Industrial Commercial Zoning District. The applicant is requesting a variance from section: 1. S27-1004, which governs the rear yard building setback.
The hearing is open to the public and all interested parties may attend and will be heard.
The Board will meet at 6:45 PM, prior to the hearing, for the annual reorganization of members and any other incidental business.
Ilene Marie Eckhart, Zoning Officer/Manager
Allen Township
Mar. 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC MEETING
The Whitehall Township Civil Service Commission will meet on Thursday, April 1, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. via virtual meeting. PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO CONTINUED CONCERNS REGARDING COVID-19, THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED REMOTELY. If you would like to provide comment or attend the meeting remotely, please see the Township Website (whitehalltownship.org) for your options.
Mar. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Township of Whitehall is accepting bids for the following project:
BID #2021-02: "PORTABLE TOILETS"

Sealed bids will be received at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, by Lenore Brazier, Purchasing Agent, or her designee, until 10:00 A.M., Local Time, on Thursday, April 15, 2021, at which time they will be opened, in front of a Township Witness. Bids will be accepted via U.S. Postal Service or dropped into the Administration drop box in front of the Municipal Building. The Municipal Building is currently closed to the public and therefore bid results will be posted on the Township's website: www.whitehalltownship.org. Late bids will not be accepted.
Bid security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid price shall be submitted with the bid.
Additional post-award bonding requirements for this project include a Performance (Supply) Bond.
Bid Documents, including plans and specifications, may be obtained beginning immediately by sending an email to request a bid packet to: bids@whitehalltownship.com, or by calling 610-437-5524 x 1165. Bid Packets are free of charge.
Whitehall Township reserves the right to determine, in its sole discretion, whether any aspect of a bid satisfactorily meets the criteria established in this Request for Bid, to accept either in whole or in part, any one bid or combination of bids, to waive or permit the curing of any immaterial defects informalities or irregularities in a bid as permitted by law, to reject any or all bids with or without cause, and to take any action which the Township deems appropriate. The Township intends to select that bid(s) which, in the sole opinion of the Township is/are most favorable and in the best interests of the citizens of Whitehall Township.
LENORE BRAZIER, Purchasing Agent
Mar. 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Township of Whitehall is accepting bids for the following project:
BID #2021-04: "2021 Handicap Ramps, Curb and Sidewalk Improvements"

Sealed bids will be received at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, by Lenore Brazier, Purchasing Agent, or her designee, until 10:00 a.m., Local Time, on Wednesday, April 21, 2021, at which time they will be opened, in front of a Township Witness. Bids will be accepted via U.S. Postal Service or dropped into the Administration drop box in front of the Municipal Building. Should the Municipal Building be closed to the public, bid results will be posted on the Township's website: www.whitehalltownship.org. Late bids will not be accepted.
Bid security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid price shall be submitted with the bid. Additional post-award bonding requirements for this project include a Performance Bond, a Labor and Material Payment Bond and a Maintenance Bond.
In general, the Project involves the 2021 Construction of about 52 Handicap Ramp Corners along three (3) Street Projects within Whitehall Township. 1) **Grape Street** (from 6th to 4th St.) having 11 Ramps. 2) **Saint Paul Street** (from LV Mall Ring Rd. to 5th St.) having 31 Ramps, and 3) **Parkview Drive** (from Hokendauqua St. to 5th St.) having 10 Ramps. The Total Estimated Concrete Curb and Sidewalk Replacement Quantities for all three (3) Street Projects is approx. 1,200 Ft. of Concrete Curbing and approx. 4,200 Sq. Ft. of Concrete Sidewalks.
The Contractor is required to pay current Federal Davis-Bacon Wage Rates. If the projects wage rates are modified ten (10) or more days prior to the bid opening, an addendum will be issued to each prospective bidder. Should an updated version be applicable, it will be faxed or emailed as an Addendum to each prospective bidder.
The Contractor is also required to contact and solicit Services from Minority and Women Business Enterprises (MBE/WBE) and document their solicitation and commitment on the Federal Form DCA BHD 168 Statement Form with their Bid Submission.
Bidders must be PennDOT Pre-qualified Contractors (or Subcontractors) having current PennDOT Certification in Curb and Sidewalk work. Also, Bidders shall have at least five (5) years past experience in concrete work of a character and quantity similar to that included within the Contract Specifications.
The successful bidder is expected to be able to start work in May 2021 and shall complete all work by August 27, 2021. Liquidated damages of \$250 per calendar day will be assessed to the Contractor for any HC Ramps that are not completed by the August 27, 2021 completion date until its satisfactory completion.
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LENORE BRAZIER, Purchasing Agent
Mar. 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the **Board of Commissioners** of South Whitehall Township will meet on **Wednesday April 7, 2021** at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a public hearing and a possible Conditional Use approval of the following project. The hearing is scheduled to be held electronically via GoToMeeting. To access the hearing through your computer, tablet or smartphone, go to: https://www.gotomeet.me/swt_cd/swtpublicmeeting. You can also dial in using your phone. United States: +1 (646) 749?3122. Access Code: 746?000?069. For further details, please see the website at www.southwhitehall.com.
PREMIER CENTER LUXURY APARTMENTS
CONDITIONAL USE 2020-601
PUBLIC HEARING - CONDITIONAL USE
An application to further develop the property located at 1151 Bulldog Drive. The plan proposes a mixed-use commercial infill development. The plan proposes the demolition of the existing Park View Motel and associated buildings and the construction of: 35 townhomes (25 of which front Crackersport Road), six four-story mixed-use buildings containing 26,780 square feet of commercial floorspace on the first floor and 360 apartments above, 909 parking spaces, stormwater management facilities, and 256,435 square feet of open space, on a 23.55-acre site. The subject property is zoned HC Highway Commercial and TND-Commercial Retrofit Overlay. The property is being developed under the TND-Commercial Retrofit Overlay District regulations. E&B Partnership LP is the owner and applicant.
All properties are located in South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Copies of plans, applications and supporting documents are available for public inspection at www.southwhitehall.com or upon request.
Gregg Adams
Planner, Community Development Department
Mar. 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of Matthew J. Hammerstone, a/k/a Matthew Joseph Hammerstone, Deceased.
Late of Williams Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF FLORA M. WENTZ, deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

OR to their attorney
Wiener and Wiener LLP
512 Hamilton Street, Suite 400
Allentown, PA 18101

PUBLIC NOTICE
Charter Arts Special ZOOM Meeting
321 E. Third St
Bethlehem, PA 18015
Thursday, March 25, 2021, 6pm

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF Shirley S. McFarland, deceased, late of Copley - N. Whitehall, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF MARILYNN J. MULHOLLEM, deceased, late of Allentown, County of Lehigh and State of Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of MARIE BANKOWSKI, late of the City of Bethlehem, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate of Organization-Domestic Limited Liability Company has been filed with the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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 of Administration to the person named.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Evelyn D. Merti, deceased, late of Upper Saucon, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Wyrma Acevedo, deceased, late of the City of Bethlehem, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF CHARLES W. RUFF, deceased, late of Bethlehem, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of Jessica Ann Finlayson, a/k/a Jessica A. Finlayson, Deceased, late of the Township of Whitehall, County of Lehigh, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of Eleanor J. Haas, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF IRENE E. SUTJAK, deceased, late of South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, PA.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF LEON I. SWOYER, deceased, late of Breinigsville, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF PAUL R. LAUCHNOR, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, PA.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF MARK W. PRUTKO, Deceased, late of Copley, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ECHO L. KRAMLICH
KASSANDRA L. BELLER
c/o STEPHEN A. STRACK, ESQ.
STECKEL AND STOPP, LLC

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF STELLA M. GALL, deceased, late of Schnecksville, Lehigh County, PA.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF DONALD R. OSWALD, deceased, late of Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, PA.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF MARIE E. DETRICK, deceased, late of Heidelberg Township, Lehigh County, PA.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
ESTATE OF KEVIN J. LITTLEFORD, deceased, late of Lynn Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF Grace Elizabeth Loeffler, a/k/a Grace Guldin, deceased, late of Macungie Borough, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Betty J. Hoffman, late of Easton, Northampton County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Ronald N. Graver, late of South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of William J. Jandrasits, late of Copley, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Lawrence Kirkpatrick, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF Anne Marie Keinert, deceased, late of Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF Joseph J. Miller, Jr., deceased, late of Allentown, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
ESTATE OF ENID F. JONES, deceased, late of Bethlehem, Hanover Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Ina Fisher Knoll, a/k/a Ina F. Knoll, deceased, late of Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

PUBLIC NOTICE
BOROUGH OF EMMAUS
SPECIFICATIONS FOR 2021 CURB AND CONCRETE CONTRACTOR LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT
The Borough of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, will receive sealed proposals via the PennBid bidding system for curbing and sidewalk in front of public or private property until 12:00 noon, Wednesday, April 14, 2021.

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Borough Council of the Borough of North Catasauqua, PA will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 19th, 2021 at 5:30 PM in Borough Hall located at 1066 Fourth Street, North Catasauqua, PA 18032.

PUBLIC NOTICE
THOMAS G. ROSKO, a/k/a THOMAS ROSKO
PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE OF Thomas G. Rosko, a/k/a Thomas Rosko, deceased, late of Lowhill Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

Table with 2 columns: FUND EQUITY, YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 and Amount. Rows include FUND EQUITY, REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, FUND EQUITY, DECEMBER 31, 2020, STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY, DECEMBER 31, 2020, ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY, ASSESSED VALUATION OF THE TOWNSHIP.

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The above statements have been compiled from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Municipal Annual Audit and Financial Report for 2020. Copies of the complete audit report will be available for examination at the Township's offices upon completion of the audit.

PUBLIC NOTICE
SALISBURY TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA
ZONING HEARING BOARD
TUESDAY APRIL 6, 2021 AT 7:00PM
The Salisbury Township Zoning Hearing Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 7:00 PM remotely through the Zoom platform.

APPEAL NO. 21-0044 - 3007 MEADOWBROOK CIRCLE NORTH
Appeal of Joshua and Katie Wells for a Variance from Z27-307.2.B (Attachment 5) to construct a one-story residential addition within the required rear yard setback (40 feet required, 36.5 feet proposed).

All applicants and interested parties are required to participate remotely through the Zoom platform. Pre-registration is required and can be accessed through the Township website at: https://www.salisburytownship.pa.org/event/zoning-hearing-board-meeting-94/.

As per the provisions of PA Act 15, enacted April 20, 2020, any interested party who cannot participate but wishes to submit comments prior to the meeting, may submit such by sending an email to info@salisburytownship.pa.org with "ZHB 4-6-2021" in the subject heading or by sending U.S. mail to Salisbury Township, Attn: ZHB 4-6-2021, 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown, PA 18103.

Requests for more information, or to review any files in advance, should be directed to Kerry Rabold, Planning & Zoning Officer, at krabold@salisburytownship.pa.org or (484) 661-5825.

PUBLIC NOTICE
LEGAL NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the Macungie Borough Council will hold a public hearing on April 5, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. via the zoom virtual meeting platform to consider and possibly adopt an ordinance, of which this notice is a summary, amending Chapter 274 of the Macungie Borough Code of Ordinances by amending Section 274-24 by establishing a new definition for Qualified Inspector and Sections 274-33.1.A(1) and (2) allowing for a Qualified Inspector to perform the requisite inspections of building sewer lines.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MACUNGIE, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 274 OF THE MACUNGIE BOROUGH CODE OF ORDINANCES, SEWERS, BY AMENDING SECTION 274-24 TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION FOR QUALIFIED INSPECTOR IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR INSPECTIONS BY LICENSED MASTER PLUMBERS AND/OR INDIVIDUALS CERTIFIED BY THE PENNSYLVANIA SEPTIC MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION AND/OR AN EQUIVALENT ORGANIZATION, AND FURTHER AMENDING SECTION 274-33.1 TO EXPAND ON THE PURPOSE OF THE BUILDING SEWER INSPECTION AND TO ALLOW FOR BUILDING SEWER INSPECTIONS BY A QUALIFIED INSPECTOR.

A copy of the above-referenced ordinance is available for review at Borough Hall, 21 Locust Street, Macungie, Pennsylvania, the Lehigh County Solicitor's Office, Lehigh County Government Center, 17 South 7th Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania, and the office of this newspaper during normal business hours. All interested parties are invited to participate in the public hearing.

Mar. 24, 2021
Charis L. Boehm, Interim Borough Manager



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PUBLIC WORKS / PARKS - PART-TIME SEASONAL
The Borough of Emmaus is currently accepting applications for part-time summer help for the 2021 season. Work will include general physical labor. Applications can be obtained Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM in the Borough Manager's Office, Borough Hall, 28 S. 4th Street, Emmaus, PA or by visiting www.borough.emmaus.pa.us. Work papers and a current PA Driver's License are required. Starting rate is \$9.50 per hour. EOE
Shane M. Pepe
Borough Manager

390 HELP WANTED

BOROUGH OF EMMANUS SUMMER SEASONAL POSITIONS
The Borough of Emmaus is currently accepting applications for Lifeguards, Pool Cashiers and Concession Stand Attendants at Emmaus Community Park. Applicants must be able to work from May 31, 2021 through September 6, 2021. Most positions begin at minimum wage. Lifeguard wages begin at \$8.25 per hour with the opportunity for an end-of-season bonus. Applicants interested in lifeguard positions may be eligible to get certification and most costs paid for by the Borough. Applications for positions can be obtained Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Borough Manager's Office, Town Hall, 28 S. 4th Street, Emmaus, PA or by visiting www.borough.emmaus.pa.us.

390 HELP WANTED

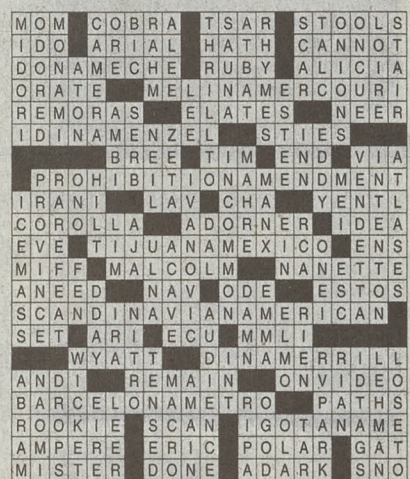
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390 HELP WANTED

PART-TIME AUXILIARY POLICE AND PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
The Borough of Emmaus is currently accepting applications for the position of Part-time Auxiliary Police Officer. A high school diploma or GED is required. Prior experience in law enforcement or security is preferred. The position and hours are approximately 20 to 30 hours per week including weekends, holiday and seasonal when the parks are open. The position includes parking enforcement as a primary duty, monitoring pedestrian traffic and patrolling Borough parks as needed. Applicants will be required to pass a background check, have a clean driving record and no prior criminal record. Training will be provided. Pay is between \$14.28 and \$19.04 per hour. Applications may be obtained in the Borough Manager's Office or via the Borough website at www.borough.emmaus.pa.us/emp employment. Applications are due at Borough Hall, 28 S. 4th Street, Emmaus, PA, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. until April 16, 2021. The Borough of Emmaus is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



PT/FT Small Engine Mechanic. Salaey commensurates with experience. Easton area. 610-253-8005

Catasauqua Area School District is seeking a **District Network Manager-Anticipated Start Date June 1, 2021.** This is a full time, 12-month, Act 93 position, hands-on technical position responsible for management and support of the data network, server infrastructure, ancillary systems, user devices and centralized applications. Responsibilities include providing vision and leadership for developing, implementing, and managing informational, educational, and operational technology systems and services as well as engaging in tactical planning and management, process development, project development, and continuous improvement. Salary commensurate with experience and regionally competitive. **Requirements:** Must have a degree in Computer Science, Information Systems or related field; Strong technical knowledge, project management, process management, budget management, along with strong interpersonal, oral and written communication skills a must. Preference will be given to candidates with experience in an educational setting. **Application Deadline: April 2, 2021** Interested candidates, please send a letter of interest, resume, clearances, transcripts and 3 letters of recommendation to humanresources@cattysd.org by April 2, 2021.

IMMEDIATE FULL-TIME CLERICAL OPENING IN BETHLEHEM, PA! BerkOne seeks a motivated individual to join our growing Vehicle Titles Department! Job includes performing changes on vehicle titles, per state to state & lien placement processes. Must have strong attention to detail, computer skills, & able to work with deadlines. PTO & benefits included! Hours: Mon - Fri, 9 AM - 5 PM. No weekends! Pay Rate: \$12.45/hour. Email your resume to careers@berkhr.com & include your contact info! EOE

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- **Assess your physical condition.** Call 911 if you are hurt. If you're seriously injured, try to remain still and only move with the assistance of emergency response personnel.
- **Assess passengers' physical condition.** Drivers who are not too hurt to move can check on their passengers after assessing their own condition. Before moving a passenger who is injured, speak with an emergency response professional.
- **Get to a safe place.** If possible, move to the side of the road or a sidewalk. If it's safe to move a vehicle and the vehicle is in a hazardous position, such as in the middle of the road, pull it to the side of the road.
- **Call 911.** If you have not already done so, call 911 once you have gotten to a safe place. The III notes that no accident is too minor to involve the police, and some local laws even mandate that all traffic accidents be immediately reported. Be sure to fill out an accident report, which can be vital for drivers who intend to file claims with their insurance providers.
- **Turn the vehicle off.** If the vehicle is still running, turn it off. Turn on the vehicle's hazard lights and, if you can physically do so and it's safe to do so, place road flares around the car to warn fellow motorists.
- **Exchange information.** The III recommends exchanging full names and contact information. Specific information like insurance companies and policy numbers, driver's license numbers and license plate numbers, the exact location of the accident, and the type, color and model of the other driver's vehicle also should be exchanged and noted.
- **Avoid discussing fault with the other driver.** Drivers will not determine who's at fault. Such decisions are made by insurance adjusters. Discussing fault with the other driver in the immediate aftermath of an accident can lead to difficult, potentially heated exchanges.

• **Document the accident.** The III recommends motorists involved in accidents identify the responding police officers and ask them how to obtain copies of the official accident report. Take pictures and speak with any witnesses, jotting down their names and contact information if possible.

• **Notify your insurance provider.** You can even do so from the scene of the accident if you're capable of doing so. This can jump-start the claims process.

Knowing what to do in the immediate aftermath of a car accident can calm drivers' nerves and get them on the road to recovery that much sooner.

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