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POLICE **Charges** **filed in** **WAWA** **shooting**

District Attorney Jim Martin and Fountain Hill Police Chief Edward Bachert have announced an arrest in a homicide.

Jarrett Hunter Hein, 23, of Fountain Hill, is charged with criminal homicide, a felony of the first degree. Hein is in Lehigh County Jail with no bail.

At approximately 7:03 p.m. Dec. 9, Fountain Hill police responded to the 1400 block of Broadway for a 911 call of a shooting with a person injured.

Travorious Gudger, 20, was found in the rear parking lot area near Broadway, shot several times, and died at the scene. His death was ruled a homicide by the Lehigh County Coroner's office. Near Gudger's body, police found an unloaded .357 magnum revolver.

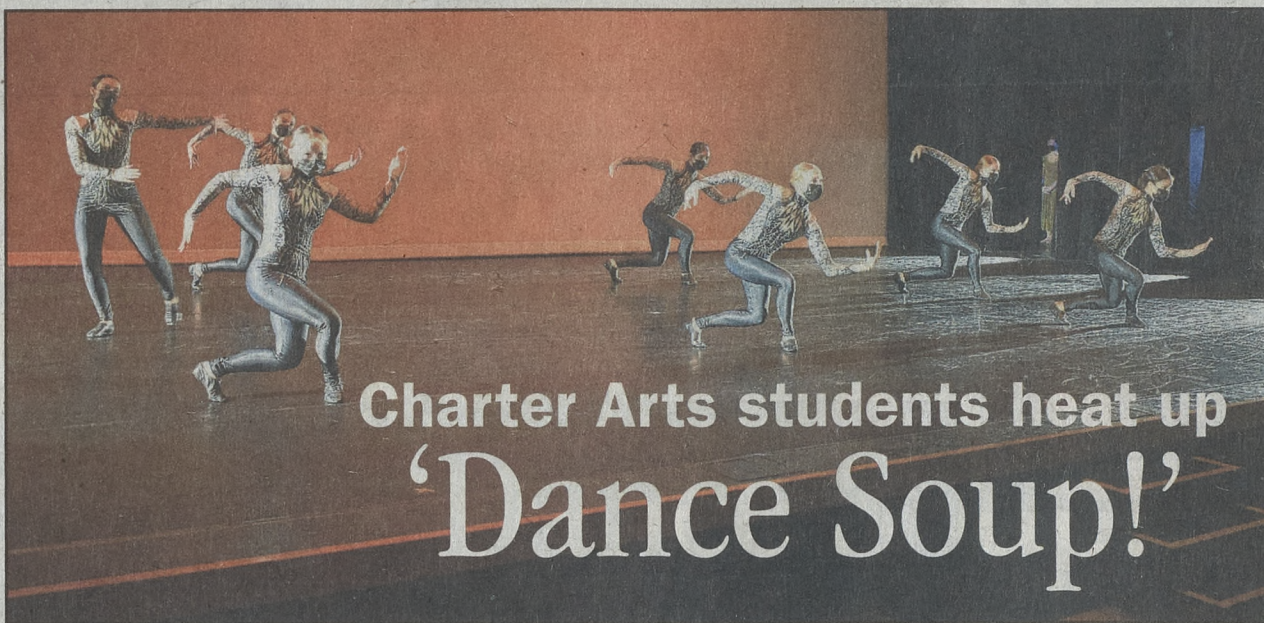
Hein was nearby with a 9mm Sig Sauer semi-automatic handgun with seven live rounds in the magazine and one in the chamber. The gun and magazine were on the ground.

An investigation revealed that Hein and the victim had arranged to meet through an online site where Hein was selling the .357 handgun. Gudger responded to Hein and said he was interested in purchasing the weapon and they corresponded for more than a week before deciding to meet in the Wawa parking lot on the evening of Dec. 9. Gudger said he wanted to examine the handgun.

Hein arrived in the area first and Gudger approached Hein's car. Hein showed the handgun to Gudger, who ran away with the weapon.

Hein drew the Si Sauer from a holster on his waist and racked a bullet into the chamber. He told police he fired multiple gunshots at Gudger as he ran and then called 911 to report the shooting.

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Charter Arts students heat up 'Dance Soup!'

PRESS PHOTOS BY ED COURRIER

Dance students move to "Good Time Girl" by Sofi Tukker and Charlie Barker with the "Good Time Girl" number choreographed by Abigail Giordano. More photos on A2.

BY ED COURRIER
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts dance students warmed up the stage with "Dance Soup," a program of student-choreographed works Nov. 19 and 20. This is the first

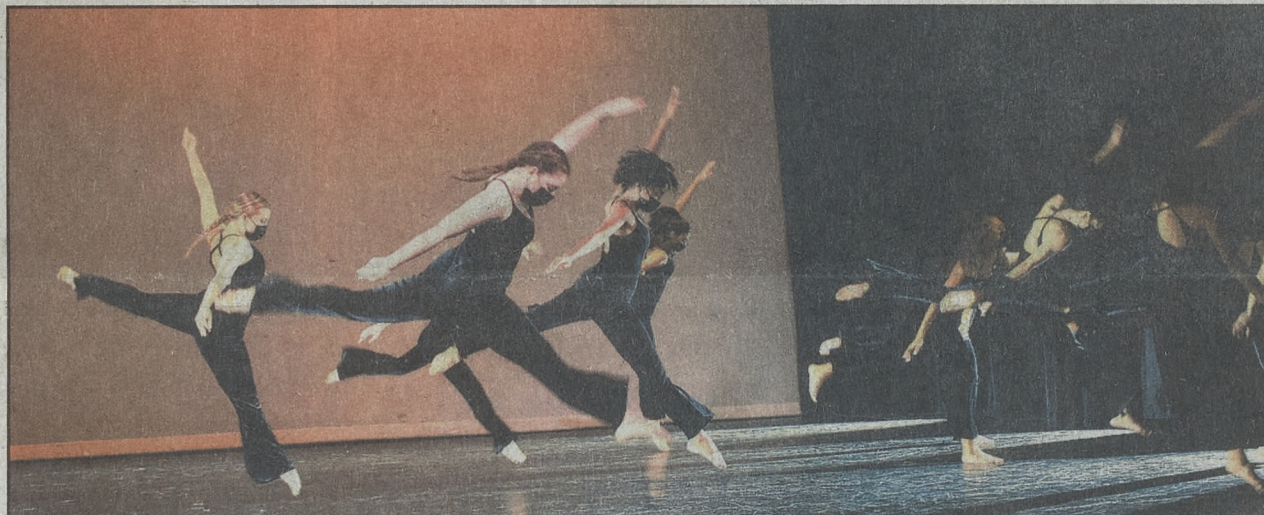
time, after a year of virtual concerts, that in-person performances could be held in the school's theater. A recorded performance was available online for Nov. 21.

Directed by Jennifer Dite Weaver, the young dancers were featured in nearly 30

pieces of work from a variety of dance genres, including modern, jazz, hip-hop and Afro-contemporary dance.

More than 70 dancers performed solo and ensemble numbers at the annual show.

Information: www.charter-arts.org.



"Yaya," choreographed by Arielle Telfort, launches her and fellow performers across the stage to "Sweet Shop" by Blue Lab Beats & Kaidi & NK-OK.

'Not just a walk in the park'

BY ED GALLAGHER
Special to the Bethlehem Press

There are several ways to travel the 13 miles from Slatington to Northampton, and on an absolutely stunning Fall day recently, I chose, echoing Robert Frost, the "road not taken" but no doubt the road most beautiful. On Sunday, Nov. 7, I joined about 900 others in the 10th running of the Delaware & Lehigh Heritage Half Marathon.

At 8 a.m. we noisily bolted out from Northern Lehigh HS with enthusiasm and energy only intensified by the frostily crisp early morning temperature, flowed down (yay!) the steep Diamond Street hill, then panted up (ugh!) the daunting almost mile-long Scout House Road hill, till we flowed on to the Slate



PRESS PHOTO COURTESY ED GALLAGHER

Ed Gallagher, the first 80-year-old to finish the event, displays his medal from the 10th annual Delaware & Lehigh Heritage Half Marathon.

Heritage Trail, finally bending south on the D&L trail at the Slatington Trail Head (with thoughts of a Mr. Doggy-style hot dog there later in the day) for a flat and gorgeous 10 more miles to the finish line in Northampton's Canal Park.

There were both runners and walkers, and the times for completing the 13.1 miles ranged from a (breathtaking) 1:13 to 4:45 hours. And this is the kind of race in which everyone is a winner. Everyone who finished the grueling trek deserved and received a distinctive medal - mine now hangs from the living room mantel.

I can't speak for the runners, but for the walkers the trip was an aesthetic delight.

See **WALK** on Page A2

PEOPLE SAY BY DANA GRUBB

The holidays are a time for giving. What is your favorite organization or charity to support?



"The Bethlehem Mounted Police." **Beth Masiado** Bethlehem



"Habitat for Humanity. I just got back from a mission trip in North Carolina and fixing housing there." **Kevin Kehoe** Bethlehem

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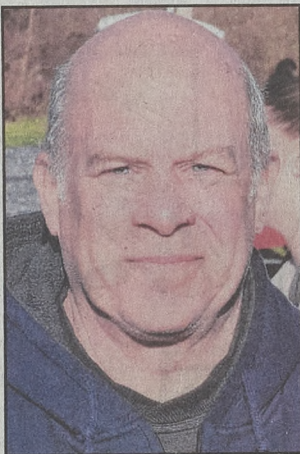
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"Salvation Army."
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"The Salvation Army."
James Paulus
Phillipsburg, N.J.



"Historic Bethlehem Museum & Sites."
Carol Saeger
Bushkill Township



"The Bethlehem Mounted Police unit."
Tracy Shuck
Quakertown

WALK

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The Lehigh River is always a joy to behold, and the thinned foliage of the season meant it was a constant crystal-clear companion. It's Thoreau who said, "There is no natural feature which is a greater ornament and treasure to a town than a river." We don't appreciate our river enough.

But there were other sights and sounds that added to the sensual pleasure of the trip. The surprisingly muscular rushing of the (for the most part) silent river at the site of the Three Mile Dam; beautiful, enviable pastoral properties spurring fantasy dreams of ownership; the barking of aroused sentinel dogs warning owners of an invasion of foot soldiers; a solitary cock crowing in the distance at 10 a.m.

And the windowless rusted car hulks swallowed by vegetation; the primordial resonance of the several springs splashing down the high rock wall shading parts of the trail; the dark speck of a solitary angler standing motionless in the tranquil water off the Cementon bridge; the carnival of walking styles exhibited by your trail fellows: the Robot; the Pinwheel; the Monty Python Silly Walk; and the Charlie Chaplin.

But this was not just a walk in the park for me. I had a mission. Some of you will remember my three-year stint in Blogsville as the Bethlehem Gadfly. When I closed the Gadfly, many people wondered what I was going to do. I'm competitive. One of my plans was to be the first 80+ to finish this event. I wanted to be an inspiration to other seniors. I prepared for two months walking gradually longer distances. I lost 10 pounds. And I succeeded. My time was 3:57, and I placed third in the 70+ age category.

My hope is that soon there will be enough participants for an 80+ category. Let's hear it for resisting the limitations of age. Seniors rock!

I don't know who founded the rail trail movement that's blossoming around the country, but he, she, or they deserve our thanks and our financial support. Extending from near Wilkes Barre to near Philadelphia, the 165-mile D&L Trail is an amazing recreational resource.

Let's nudge the philanthropists and politicians in our area municipalities to finally complete the trail from Northampton to Allentown. And let's give a tip o' the hat to the dedicated citizens in Bethlehem who are promoting a bicycle and pedestrian bridge that, among other things, will enhance access to and enjoyment of the D&L.

And, most of all, let's meditate meaningfully on Thoreau's thought-provoking claim that "a river is not useful merely to float on."

Happy trails!

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A Charter Arts dance team performs to The Irrepressibles' "In This Shirt" choreographed by Abigail VanLuvanee.



Dancer and choreographer Leah Herring's solo performance to "Lament in the River Mansion" by Zhou Yu.



Kaitlyn Vaccola solos during her choreographed "in the deafening silence" to "Sea of Stars" by Michael Logozar.



DANCE SOUP

"Drive and Disconnect," choreographed by De'Najia Lee-Stout, features Charter Arts dancers leaning in to "Drive and Disconnect" by NAO.



John Cole performs solo during his choreographed "Insurmountable" to the music of "Requiem for a Tower" by London Music Works.



Daeshaun Tyson takes the stage solo during his "Misery-missing" choreographed routine to "Edit" by AnTZ.

LEHIGH VALLEY

COVID HOSPITALIZATIONS: Over the last month, hospitalizations related to COVID-19 infection have risen substantially, adding additional strain to health care organizations and clinicians across the nation. Most people who are hospitalized have not received their initial vaccination series and booster. This emphasizes the importance of the vaccines for those who have yet to be vaccinated.

"If you compare where we are to one month ago, hospitalizations are up 43 percent," says Alex Benjamin, MD, Chief Infection Control and Prevention Officer, Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN). "The current number of hospitalizations is the highest we've seen since delta became the dominant variant locally at the beginning of July."

UNVACCINATED AT RISK: With over 85 percent of those hospitalized statewide known to be unvaccinated, and more children hospitalized at LVHN due to COVID-19 than ever before, it is clear the pandemic continues to primarily affect the unvaccinated.

At LVHN facilities alone, 76.6 percent of hospitalized COVID-19 patients are unvaccinated and only 0.4 percent are fully vaccinated and have received a booster.

In addition to the importance of initial vaccinations, preliminary data from Pfizer and BioNTech have added additional insight into the importance of booster shots. Recent blood test results reported by the companies suggest that people who received three doses of their vaccine were more protected against infection from the newest COVID-19 variant (omicron) than individuals who only received two doses.

RISK FACTORS: Your risk of developing severe illness from COVID-19 and requiring hospitalization is significantly higher if you have or are any of the following (especially if you are unvaccinated): Cancer; Chronic kidney disease; Chronic lung disease (including chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, asthma, interstitial lung disease, cystic fibrosis and pulmonary hypertension); Dementia or other neurological conditions; Type 1 or type 2 diabetes; Down syndrome; Heart conditions, including heart failure, coronary artery disease, cardiomyopathies or hypertension; HIV infection; Liver disease; Sickle cell disease or thalassemia; Stroke or cerebrovascular disease; Undergone a solid organ or blood stem cell transplant; Overweight or obese; A current or former smoker; Immunocompromised; AND a substance use disorder

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) now recommends booster shots for all adults 18 and older if they are six months past completing their Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna series or two months after receiving their Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS: We know that COVID-19 will be here for the near future, and although there may be changes in the number of cases and hospitalization rates, the general precautions will remain the same.

In addition to getting fully vaccinated, there are other safety precautions you and your family can take in your everyday lives, including:

Wearing well-fitting masks indoors if you have conditions (or take medications) that weaken your immune system or if you are visiting an area with high transmission.

Wearing well-fitting masks outdoors if you are in a highly populated area in close contact with unvaccinated individuals.

Practicing hand hygiene and physical distancing.

Avoiding crowded spaces.

ST. LUKE'S UPDATE: St. Luke's University Health Network has updated its hospital visitor policy in response to a dramatic, ongoing surge in COVID-19 cases caused by patients who contracted the virus after refusing to be vaccinated.

Currently St. Luke's is treating approximately 220 COVID-19 inpatients across its 14 campuses - virtually the same number the Network had in its care at this time last year before peaking in late December/early January. More than 80 percent of current COVID inpatients are unvaccinated.

Under St. Luke's updated visitor policy, the Network will allow for up to two visitors per patient for the duration of the hospitalization at all of its hospital locations with the following restrictions:*

We highly recommend that all visitors be vaccinated against COVID-19.

Visiting hours are between noon and 8 p.m. for up to two visitors aged 12 and older.

Masks are to be worn (covering your nose and mouth) along with maintaining a social distance for the duration of the visit.

Eating/drinking by visitors should be limited to cafeterias, as available. Visitors may not eat/drink while in patient rooms or waiting areas, as this requires mask removal.

Visitors must be in good health and may be subject to a health screening.

Visitation for COVID-19 positive patients is prohibited except for those nearing end of life.

For patients with cognitive or intellectual disabilities one support person may remain with the patient.

St. Luke's understands its visitor policy might present difficulties for some patients, family members and friends, and is sympathetic to those concerns. At the same time, they must be responsible to the communities we serve and do what's best to protect everyone. They urge those who might be impacted to please cooperate with physicians, nurses and staff as they help our organizations fight COVID-19.

Visit <https://www.sln.org/covid-19> for additional details and updates.

TEEN BOOSTER SHOTS: Families can now schedule Pfizer-BioNTech booster shots for children 16-17 years by appointment only at all Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) COVID-19 vaccine clinic locations. Children age 16-17 who had their previous Pfizer-BioNTech vaccines at least six months earlier can receive the booster shot.

Through MyLVHN or the COVID-19 Vaccine Hotline, you can schedule a booster for teenagers in this age group at one of LVHN's five clinic locations. Please note: You cannot directly schedule through these clinic or practice location pages.

AROUND TOWN

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

Current items

ARTSQUEST GUIDELINES: ArtsQuest has a number of best practices and procedures based on guidelines from the CDC, City of Bethlehem and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Visit artsquest.org/safety to view current health and safety guidelines.

4-H SEEDLING SALE: The Northampton County 4-H program is once again sponsoring the annual seedling tree and fruit tree sale. The sale benefits the 4-H youth in the county and supports various programs throughout the year, including camps, fairs, trips, the annual achievement banquet and other club activities. For order forms call or email the Penn State Extension - Northampton County Office. Deadline: Feb. 1, 2022.

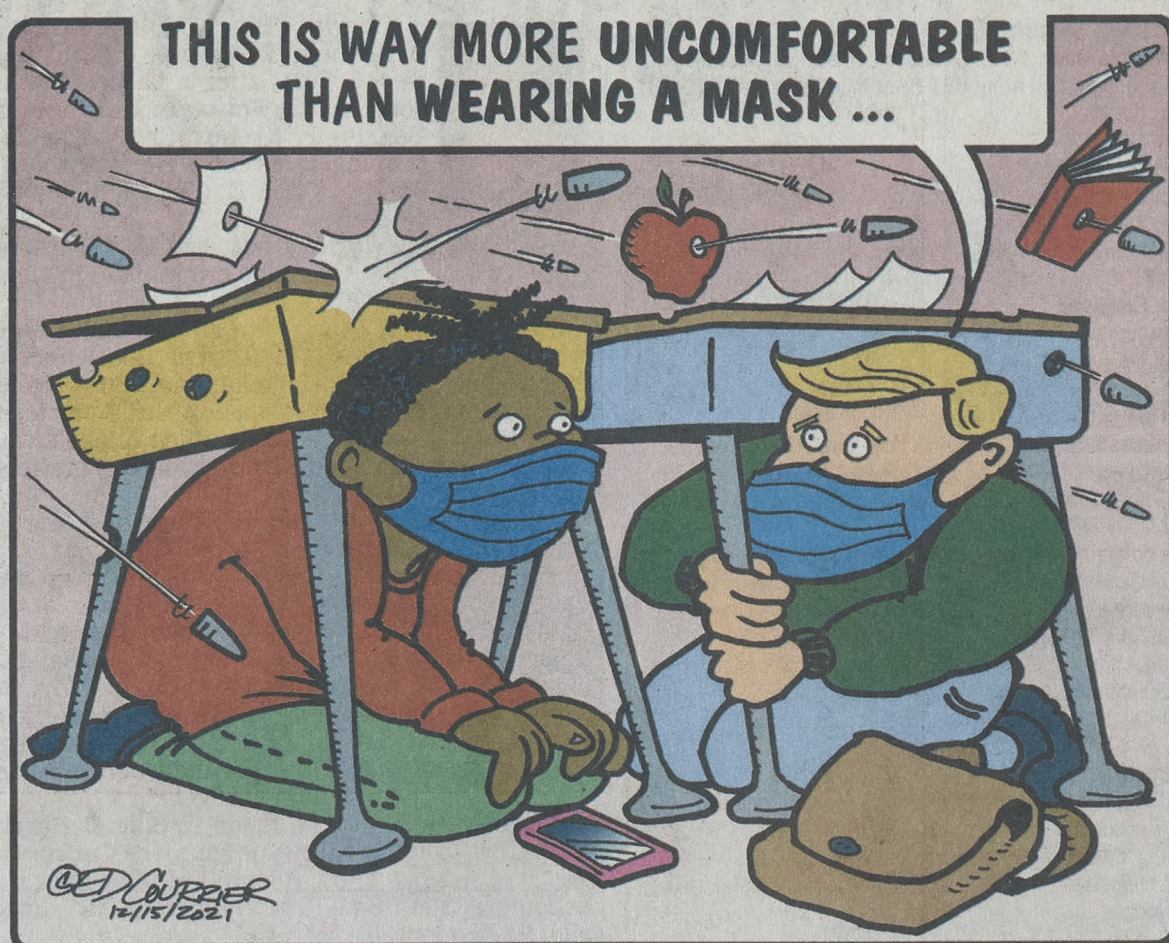
NEW NIHM EXHIBIT: A new exhibit focusing on Bethlehem's General Superintendent and Chief Engineer John Fritz is now on display at the National Museum of Industrial History. The Works of a Mechanical Genius: The Legacy of John Fritz explores the life and legacy of an innovative ironmaster who has been touted as founder of the American steel industry, alongside names like Andrew Carnegie. Fritz built and oversaw the operations at the Bethlehem Iron Company from 1860-1893. The Bethlehem Iron Works is described in engineering journals of the day as, "one of the most famous enterprises in the world - the Mecca of engineer-pilgrims from abroad and the pride and pattern of American practice."

The exhibit marks the 200 Anniversary of the birth of industrial pioneer and mechanical genius, John Fritz. The display closes October 2022. National Museum of Industrial History. 602 E. Second

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ANOTHER VIEW-ED'S WORLD

Graphic commentary by Ed Courrier



O'Donnell joins General Purpose Authority

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Lehigh County Commissioners appointed Jessica Marie O'Donnell to the Lehigh County General Purposes Authority Nov. 23. Her term will expire Dec. 31, 2026.

The Lehigh County General Purpose Authority provides a tax-exempt financing option for certified nonprofit organizations, according to the Lehigh County website.

The organization is under the authority of Lehigh County's Depart-

ment of Community and Economic Development according to the County website.

DCED "focuses on enhancing the quality of life of our communities by concentrating on the revitalization of our cities and boroughs, spurring economic growth, and supporting regional partnerships among our municipalities," according to the Lehigh County website.

"The department's grant programs have supported high-priority

projects of the County's twenty-five municipalities, aimed at enriching their economic viability by upgrading aging infrastructure, supporting improvements within the downtowns, and assisting agencies focused on providing safe, affordable and sustainable housing."

O'Donnell is the executive vice president of Affiliated Chambers of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chambers of Commerce.

Her duties, according

to her job description on the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce website, are to work with East Penn, Bath, Northern Le-

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Wednesday, December 15

Adult Bible study, 11 a.m. Women's Ministries, ages 14 and older 1 p.m. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for details.

Thursday, December 16

Bethlehem Garden Club. Doors open 12:30 p.m. Business meeting: 1 p.m. Program: 1:30 p.m. Advent Moravian Church, 3730 Jacksonville Road. <https://static.secure.website/wsc-fus/10371903/10241164/member-brochure-2019.pdf>
Chair Exercises: 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., seniors 50 and up. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for details.

December 16 to 19

Christmas City Follies XXII, Touchstone Theatre's vaudeville. 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays. Additional performances: 2 p.m. Dec. 18, 19. Information, tickets: visit www.touchstone.org/events/christmas-city-follies-xxii/

Huts on Main 2020, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Main St. Colonial Industrial Quarter shopping, putz, art, photo ops, live music, food trucks, winter bar, activities, illuminations. Thursday, Friday: 5 to 8 p.m.; Saturday: 2 to 8 p.m.; Sunday: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. 459 Old York Road. Information, tickets: https://store.historicbethlehem.org/2020-christmas-in-the-quarter/?utm_source=HBMS&utm_medium=CITQ%20Ticket%20Page&utm_campaign=CITQ

To December 17

Northampton Community College's Alumni Association annual Craft Fair online. Forty-five-plus crafters. Hand-crafted items, seasonal goods, jewelry, wood decor, accessories, pet treats, gourmet chocolates, foods, more. Visit www.northampton.edu/virtualcraftfair

Friday, December 17

Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts (Charter Arts) 2021 Winter Instrumental Concert, with guitar, percussion and wind ensembles and orchestra. Selections include Diamond Tide by Viet Cuong, Scheherazade by Rimsky-Korsakov, Waves Obsidian by Harry Stafylakis and arrangements of Dave Brubeck's Blue Rondo a La Turk and Married Life from the film, "Up." 7 p.m. School theatre, 321 E. Third St. Masks are required. Information, tickets (also at the door): visit www.charterarts.org/event/winter-instrumental-concert-4/

Saturday, December 18

Wreaths Across America to honor veterans. Show up and show your support. Noon. Green Meadow Fountain Hill Cemetery, 1121 Graham St. Fountain Hill, 18015

Free parking. Lehigh Valley Health Network is sponsoring free two-hour parking in Downtown Bethlehem on Saturdays during the holiday season. Green bags that read "Free 2-Hour Parking / Happy Holidays from Lehigh Valley Health Network" will cover 280 meters around Historic Bethlehem Main Street and the SouthSide Arts District. Please move your car after two hours. Meter limits will be enforced.

December 18, 19

Horse-Drawn Trolley Rides on the half hour, 5 and 9 p.m. Payrow Plaza, 10 E. Church St. Call 1-800-360-8687

Sunday, December 19

Storytime and locomotive experience and a reading of several classic holiday stories with Conductor Ken, then climb aboard the Museum's restored 1941 Whitcomb locomotive in the outdoor Foundry Park for a photo op. 1:30 p.m. National Museum of Industrial History, 511 E. Third St. For information, hours and dates, visit info@nmih.org or call 610-694-6644.

Tuesday, December 21

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

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Adult Bible study, 11 a.m. Women's Ministries, ages 14 and older 1 p.m. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for details.

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MEETING BOARD

Municipal notes

WASTE FACILITY: Bethlehem's yard waste facility is closed. It will re-open Jan. 3, 2022.

RECYCLING CENTER: Effective immediately, Theis/Cornfeld Recycling Center, 635 Illick's Mill Road, will not be accepting any Styrofoam materials. We hope this change is temporary and will advise once we begin accepting Styrofoam materials again. We thank you for your understanding and continued patronage.

CITY HALL: Closed on Dec. 24 and 31. It will reopen Jan. 3, 2022.

Wednesday, December 15

City of Bethlehem Zoning Board, 6 p.m. City Hall, 10 E. Church St. In person: masks are required. Questions, comments may be submitted by 4 p.m. Dec. 13 to planninginfo@bethlehem-pa.gov; must include name and phone number. In person: masks are required. Meeting will be live streamed for viewing purposes only. Visit www.youtube.com/channel/UC4HYHr4C6mVbfhRXhWYXajw. More information: visit www.bethlehem-pa.gov/calendar-planning-zoning

Bethlehem Area School Board snow date, 7 p.m., East Hills MS Auditorium

Fountain Hill Council, 7 p.m. 941 Long St.
Lehigh Co. Commissioners, 7:30 p.m. Public hearing room, Gov't Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.

Northampton Co. Industrial Development Authority, 4 p.m., Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.
Borough of Hellertown Zoning Hearing Board, Zoom and live, 6:30 p.m. 685 Main St. Meeting ID: 926 7065 5549. Passcode: 2021. <https://zoom.us/j/92670655549?pwd=amwydVh-VcON0dOp4U2tZSU4NG9GZz09>

Monday, December 20

Bethlehem Twp. Commissioners, 7 p.m. 4225 Easton Ave.
Fountain Hill Zoning, 7 p.m. 941 Long St.
Hellertown Council, 7 p.m. 685 Main St.

Tuesday, December 21

Bethlehem Council, 7 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St. Current and recent meetings are located online at www.youtube.com/channel/UCRLFG5Y9UjOjADKaRE1W3xw

Bethlehem Twp. Planning Commission, 7 p.m. 4225 Easton Ave.

Freemansburg Council workshop, if needed, 7 p.m. 600 Monroe St.

Hanover Twp. (NorCo) Supervisors, 7 p.m. Municipal building, 3630 Jacksonville Road.

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Charles F. Krenos Jr.

of the City of Bethlehem electrical dept.



Charles "Butch" F. Krenos Jr., of Bethlehem Township, died at home Dec. 8, 2021, after a battle with cancer. Born in Fountain Hill the son of Charles F. Krenos, Sr. and Irene K. (Favinger) Krenos. He was the husband of Ellen E. (Bartos) Krenos for 44 years.

He a 1973 Liberty HS graduate and of Bethlehem Area VoTech from which he graduated in electrical electronics.

He worked for more than 35 years in the electrical department of the City of Bethlehem. He was 23-year master electrician and a 30 years-plus electrical contractor. He was on the Electrician's Examining Board for the city since 2015. He was a member of the International Association of Electrical Inspectors.

He belonged to the Sacred Heart of Jesus R.C. Church Miller Heights.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Amanda E. of West Chester; a son, Christopher R. of Bethlehem Township; a sister, Sharon M. (Krenos) Ondush and her husband Michael; an uncle, Anthony Favinger and his wife Karen (Lechler); nieces; nephews; great-nieces; great-nephews; and many friends and coworkers. He was a grandson of Joseph and Theresa Krenos and Helen and Raymond Favinger.

Contributions can be made to Sacred Heart of Jesus R.C. Church, Miller Heights; the Cancer Center at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg, 2545 Schoenersville Road, Bethlehem, PA 18017; or to a charity of one's choice.

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

Elizabeth I. Serfass

housekeeper



Elizabeth "Betty" I. Serfass, 87, of Bethlehem, died Dec. 3, 2021, while in the care of Country Meadows, Bethlehem. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Harvey and Edna (McMurtree) Serfass.

She was a housekeeper for Holy Family Manor, Bethlehem, for 10 years and then at Cedarbrook, Fountain Hill, for 16 plus years until she retired in 1994.

She was a member of the Lehigh Valley Grace Brethren Church, Bethlehem.

She is survived by nieces; nephews; great-nieces; great-nephews; and a great-great-niece.

She was predeceased by seven siblings, Edna Kulp, Ruth Serfass, Harvey Serfass Jr., Dolores Serfass, Muriel Feight, Alex Lerchenmiller and Sandra Kehley.

Contributions may be made to Lehigh Valley Grace Church, 580 Bridle Path Road, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Cantelmi Long Funeral Home, Bethlehem.

Erma Lee Whitehurst Reed

foster parent; owned Bethlehem boutiques



Erma Lee Whitehurst Reed, 96, of Northampton, died at home Dec. 2, 2021. Born in Elizabeth City, North Carolina, she was a daughter of the late Moses and Addie (Brackett) Banks. She was the wife of the late Rev. Curtis Whitehurst and the late Herman Reed.

She was a foster parent for 50 years. She owned boutiques in both Allentown and Bethlehem.

She is survived by three sons, Curtis R. Whitehurst and James A. Whitehurst (Stephanie Bozaki), all of Bethlehem, and Shawn Francis (Dena Francis) of Macungie; two daughters, Bernadette Whitehurst, with whom she resided, of Northampton and Kim Francis of Bloomsburg; two step-daughters, Tracey and Victoria Reed, both of Cranford, New Jersey; 10 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; nieces; nephews; and friends.

She was predeceased by a daughter, Doris Whitehurst; and a great-grandson, Jose Serrano III.

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Bernard Charles Nemeth

taught science at BASD schools



Bernard Charles Nemeth, 70, of Bethlehem, died Nov. 30, 2021, at his residence. Born in Northampton, he was a son of the late Mary (Wechsler) and Joseph Nemeth.

He earned a BA in education, focusing in biology, from Kutztown State Teachers College. He later earned a master of education from Temple University.

He taught science for seven years at Nitschmann and East Hills middle schools. He then was general manager for the former Eichler's Wood Products, Laurys Station, for 19 years. He was the Quality, Safety and Administration director at Oldcastle Easton, for four years.

He was a member of Notre Dame Roman Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

He was an avid bicyclist and just completed his 6,000 mile mark for this year.

He is survived by a brother, Thomas Nemeth and his wife Maryann of Slatington; nieces; nephews; grand-nieces; and grand-nephews.

He was predeceased by a brother, Joseph; and two sisters, Magdalene Altemose and Agnes Verenna.

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high, Hellertown-Lower Saucon, Nazareth, Northampton, southern and western Lehigh County, and the Whitehall Area Chambers of Commerce and the Emmaus Main Street Partners. Her responsibilities also include the Carbon Chamber and Economic Development Corporation and the Pocono Chamber of Commerce.

O'Donnell's responsibilities include furthering the "Chamber's mission of improving the economy and quality of

life throughout the Lehigh Valley by connecting key business and community leaders."

Originally from Palmerton, O'Donnell earned a BS in Speech Language Pathology from East Stroudsburg University and pursued master's degree from Cedar Crest College.

Commissioners also appointed Deidra Vachier to the Children and Youth Services Advisory Council.

A new employee position, "community liaison" was also approved. This person will report to the head of the Department of Community and Economic Develop-

ment headed by Frank Kane.

The job requires a college degree and fluency in both English and Spanish. The job includes staffing the new Human Relations Advisory Council and providing staff support for the eventual Human Relations Commission which will be created in 2022.

The office will service as the ombudsman to the community to advocated for the needs of Lehigh County residents as they interact with Lehigh County and municipal governments.



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Jessica Marie O'Donnell was appointed to the Lehigh County General Purposes Authority.

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That was until the Fogelsville resident's internship at Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN), which led to a job as a per diem member of its human resources department while she was completing her final semesters at PSU-LV.

"Penn State Lehigh Valley provided me with a great education where I utilize much of what I learned every day."

Following graduation in 2019, Hughes was offered a full-time position with LVHN's Talent Acquisition team. Since then, her role has continued to evolve, and she's now a senior talent acquisition business partner charged with recruiting for Lehigh Valley Reilly Children's Hospital and serving as project lead for various expansion projects.

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Besides taking her courses and working, Hughes also found time to volunteer at Lehigh Valley Reilly Children's Hospital. There, she provided art and recreational activities for pediatric patients in the playroom and at their bedside.

"Having the opportunity to communicate with clinical staff and seeing their passion for providing the highest standard of quality care to the patients has helped me tremendously in my career. When it was time for me to complete my internship, I knew I wanted to complete it at Lehigh Valley Health Network," Hughes said. "I loved volunteering in the clinical environment, but I wanted to explore ways where I could support the clinical teams from a non-clinical setting. As a result, I chose the human resources team as my internship specialty. During my internship, I had the opportunity to follow and learn from each department in human resources at LVHN."

Another influential experience for Hughes was the time she spent as a career ambassador in PSU-LV's Career Strategy office. "That was confirmation to me that I wanted to pursue a role as a recruiter," she said.

This fall, Hughes participated in the Careers in HPA alumni panel hosted by the campus. There, she had the chance to share insights on her job with students – and give back to the campus.

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Tyler Kasak is a key returning wrestler for the Hawks this season.

BC loaded on the mat this winter

BY PETER CAR
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Expectations are always high for Bethlehem Catholic's wrestling program, but the Hawks might be looking at a new level this season with a highly-touted group entering the 2021 season.

With five state medalists back in the fold, including state champion Tyler Kasak, the Hawks were already plenty difficult to deal with. Add in their best freshman class in school history and Becahi could have all the tools needed to win the District 11 and PIAA 3A titles this winter.

After getting bounced from the state quarterfinals last year following a 29-26 loss to Central Dauphin, the Hawks will be back better than ever.

The key returners back this year include: Tyler Kasak (138/145) Jr. State Champ, Dante Frinzi (126/132, Harvard commit) Sr. State 4th, Cael McIntyre (120) Jr. State 6th, Andrew Harmon (152) Jr. State 7th,

Landon Muth (160) Jr. State 8th and Trey Miletics (160) Sr. State Qualifier.

Nate Desmond (106) highlights the newcomers on this year's roster, as he's ranked seventh nationally for incoming freshmen entering the high school ranks.

The rest of the Becahi lineup consists of Fr. Shane McFillin (106), Sr. Charlie Pavis (113), Fr. Cole Campbell (113), Jr. Ashton Campbell (120), Fr. Ryder Campbell (120), So. George Pavis (120), Sr. Jake Costello (120), Sr. Fr. Kollin Rath (126-132), Fr. Marco Frinzi (126-132), So. Andrew Mayer (126-132), Jr. Ryan Pedrick (132), Jr. Riley Hughes (138), Sr. Nick Abi-Daher (138), Fr. Charlie Scanlon (145), So. Jake Dailey (145), Sr. Giovanni Bozzi (152), Jr. John Hulse (152), Jr. Luke Thomas (170), Fr. James Deluise (170-189), So. Dario Cruz (170-189), Fr. Augie Warke (189), Jr. Nico Spezza (215) Jr. Mario Pastrana (215), Jr. Chris Reyes (215), Sr. Stephen Hattala (215), So. Jacob

Lance (215), Jr. Elijah Thompson (285).

Kasak won the prestigious Ironman Tournament in Ohio over the weekend, taking home the 138-pound title with a victory over PJ Duke of Minisink Valley (NY) via injury default.

Desmond nearly gave the Hawks a second champion, as he reached the 106-pound finals, but fell to Beric Jordan of St. Paris Graham (OH) in sudden victory, 6-4.

Frinzi was the only other Hawk that placed at the tournament, as he took home a sixth-place finish at 126. The Hawks finished fifth in the team standings with 107 points behind national powers Blair Academy (176.5), Malvern Prep (146), Wyoming Seminary (137) and Stillwater (107.5).

Becahi has a busy week coming up as they open their EPC schedule on Wednesday at Liberty and then host Pleasant Valley the next night before hitting the road to Delaware this weekend for the Beast of the East tournament.

LHS girls fall to Emmaus

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Everything felt right again at a fan-filled gymnasium for Liberty and Emmaus's girls basketball season opener on Friday night when the Hornets topped the Hurricanes, 42-38, at Emmaus.

"This one's a little different because it's the first time in a year we have fans in the gym, so that was the big thing," said Emmaus head coach Kelsey Gallagher. "Pregame, I know I was a little nervous because it is the first game, but we stuck to the game plan. Do what Emmaus does."

The Hornets took control of the first quarter, penetrating the 'Canes' defense for six quick points from Grace Oglesbee, Kameron Watkins, and Sarah Hoch. But Liberty's Ruby Miller ended the quarter with a three pointer, Emma Pukszyn opened the second with a three, and the Hurricanes were off to the races.

"Once the nerves got out, we started to play ball," said Liberty head coach Jarrett Carnes. "We came out with some tempo and started to hit some shots, and we fed off that energy and got

going."

Emmaus was prompted to call a timeout after Liberty's Layla Orth hit consecutive threes and Pukszyn added a bucket, only to be confronted by more offense from the Hurricanes when Orth hit another three.

With 56 seconds left before the half, Pukszyn intercepted a Hornet's pass to take it in for a layup, and Erin Eisenhart's three pointer put Liberty ahead, 28-19, as they headed to the locker room.

"We definitely felt great, but I did tell them, before we came out for the second half, 'The third quarter is gonna decide the game,' and that's what happened," said Coach Carnes.

The first 3:50 of the third was a defensive battle with no points scored by either team until Watkins landed a three at the 4:10 mark, and Liberty's Miller responded with a three. That's when Emmaus turned up the pressure, and Paige Inman single-handedly put the Hornets ahead, 36-33, with 10 straight points to end the quarter.

"We were down, and we knew that. We needed to have the momentum. See LHS on Page A8



PRESS PHOTO BY DON HERB

Emma Pukszyn and the Hurricanes dropped an opening match to Emmaus last weekend.

Liberty swimmers happy to be back

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With Liberty's swim season opening this week, what will be significant is the return to in-person dual meets and fans in the stands after last season's COVID-regulated virtual meets and empty bleachers.

"That's gonna be so big," said Liberty head coach Reik Foust. "We're really excited about that."

No doubt, last season took a toll on all high school swimmers, affecting individual swim times and psyche.

"We talked to the kids about the weird changes that have happened to them because of COVID and not having interactions with other teams and day-to-day movements," Foust said. "We talked about sportsmanship and being attentive to that on the pool deck. That can easily be forgotten, but we want them to acknowledge the other teams' efforts and get them back to that. The dual meet situation is gonna be fun."



Patrick Gilhool and the Hurricanes are looking forward to the season.

First up for the Hurricanes will be a trip to Nazareth this Tuesday, past Press deadlines, and then a home opener on Wednesday against Pottsville.

"Our boys' lineup is pretty easy to do because we have so many who can swim so many things," said Foust.

Liberty's boys' lineup will be led by dis-

trict and state finalists Patrick Gilhool and Addison Collins, who are also captains, along with Danny Lehr and Tim Wetmore, also captains, and Sean McGuire, Malcolm Collins, Corbin Eisenhardt, and Jeffrey Eisenhardt.

"It will be hard for other teams to figure out what we're gonna do," Foust said. "We have at

least 10 guys who can swim multiple events and be very competitive."

And with a roster of about 20 boys and 20 girls, some swimming four events during any given meet will be a necessity.

"Some will be happy, and some will cringe, but it's a team sport," Foust said.

Sarah Park, Monica Bruno, and Sydney Taylor are all returning and are captains for the girls, along with diver Keller Pooley, also a captain. Brooke Sergeant is also returning.

"The girls' lineups won't be as flexible as the guys," said Foust, "but we'll be competitive with what we have."

Also returning for the Hurricanes are assistant coaches Evan Kocon, Jeff Matyus, and Emily Kocis, who is also the diving coach.

"Our goal every year is to qualify three relays for states on both sides and qualify four swimmers per event for districts, but there are so many things you can't prepare for: how the meets flow, the interactions, different pool rules (with masking), so we will have to adjust and not let it get in the way of how we swim," Foust said. "We always look to improve on the overall team from before, and it will be interesting to see how it plays out."

WRESTLING

'Canes looking to learn fast

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Liberty might have plenty of seniors on their wrestling roster this season, but that doesn't mean they're the most experienced group.

The Hurricanes come into the year with a few core wrestlers, but more question marks in the lineup in Brandon Hall's third year at the helm of the program.

Senior Javien DeLeon (126-138) is the 'Canes top wrestler coming back after placing fifth in the Super Regionals last year. DeLeon is the Hurricanes top prospect to reach Hershey this season, but senior Christian Reid (160) could also make a run to Hershey as one of Liberty's top grapplers.

"Despite having several seniors in our lineup, we are an inexperienced dual meet team who will need to grow within the sport quickly in order to compete in the EPC and independent tournaments," said Hall. "We have several wrestlers who welcome the responsibility of getting max bonus points for our team as we also look to minimize bonus from our opponents. Our schedule will give our wrestlers a great opportunity to progress

throughout the season in order to peak for the post season."

Other wrestlers to make an impact this year are Fr. Jasiah Pagan (106), So. Jack Evans (120), So. Kam Abboud (126), Sr. Chandler Drew (132-145), Sr. Cesar Acosta (132), Sr. Eddie Force (138-152), Jr. Ryan Santiago (145-152), Sr. Jo-Voni Grullon (189) and So. Levi Levy (285).

"As a program, we want to qualify and advance as far as possible in the team district tournament," Hall said. "We also have a few experienced wrestlers who have set high goals for their post season."

Liberty opened the season at the Boyertown Duals over the weekend and finished 3-2 with wins over Harry S. Truman, Interboro and Souderton. The 'Canes suffered losses to the hosts Boyertown and Garnet Valley.

They open up their EPC slate this week with back-to-back tough matches, starting at home Wednesday against Bethlehem Catholic and then heading to Easton on Thursday.

They'll then make the trek to Millersville for the Penn Manor tournament this weekend.

Pates hope hard work pays off

BY PETER CAR
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Solid could be a word used to describe Freedom's wrestling team this season. The Pates enter the winter with quality core of wrestlers that head coach Dante Terenzio feels will compete throughout the season.

The question is whether the Pates can have breakout wrestlers make jumps in the post-season for bids in Hershey?

Terenzio hopes that's the case, but also understands the culture of the program can help manifest those goals.

"We have a hardworking core of kids who are ready to wrestle a full season," said Terenzio. "I have no doubt that their hunger and determination will translate into success."

Returning for Freedom are CJ Horvath (Jr. 120/126), Reinaldo Lebron (Sr. 126/132), Ethan Christiansen (So. 126/132), Anthony Negrete (Sr. 132), Alex Greenberg (So. 138), Alex Salim (So. 138), Sammy Acevedo (Sr. 138), Cameron Wickemeyer (Jr. 138/145), Joey Bodnar (So. 138/145), Chris Jurado (Sr. 145/152), Connor Bevan (Sr. 152/160) and Jared Karabinus (So. 160/172).

Bevan and Horvath

DARTS

First place Christ UCC sandwiched 3-2, 9-2 wins around an 8-3 loss to Emmanuel. Leading the way for Christ UCC were The Hunsicker's, Garry (Dad) 6-13, sons Joe 6-13, & Steve 6-14, with HRs from Don Laudenslager, Eric Yocum, Kevin Biechy, Jon Rice was 6-12 (HR), with Bob Bast, Chuck Achenzie each 5-13 for Emmanuel.

After a 9-0 loss to Light of Christ, Dryland came back to win 3-0, 5-1. Top hitters included Rich Durn 6-11, Jim Goldman 4-12, Shawn Sigley 4-13 for Dryland, while Charlie Mann was 5-11, Dave Casey added a 2-run HR for Light of Christ.

Farmersville lost the nightcap 8-0 to St. Paul's after winning the first 2 games 5-2, 9-3.

Leading hitters for Farmersville were Sue Grim 8-12, Gene Grim 6-13, Dave Campbell 4-11. For St. Paul's, Rich Kern was 5-12, Larry Kneller 4-11 (HR), Ton Unger 4-11 (HR).

Star of Bethlehem sandwiched 7-1, 2-1 wins around a 1-0 loss to Ebenezer. Hitters were Bryan Frankenfield 6-12 for Star of Bethlehem, with Charlie Costanzo 3-11 (GWHR Game 2) for Ebenezer.

Standings

Christ UCC	25	14	.641
St. Paul's	25	17	.595
Dryland	20	19	.513
Star of Beth.	20	22	.476
Ebenezer	20	22	.476
Emmanuel	19	23	.452
Farmersville	16	20	.444
Light of Christ	17	25	.405



Contributed photo
The Becahi girls tennis team celebrated

BC tennis celebrated No. 500 ... twice

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Bethlehem Catholic tennis coach George Harmanos is also a die-hard numbers guy, so when the Lady Hawks tennis program tallied its 500th win on Sept. 8, Harmanos had to reset that counter, at least for himself.

"A few weeks ago, the girls team won their 500th match, but for me, it was 498," Coach Harmanos said at the time. "The match against Southern Lehigh was 500 for the girls program, and 500 for me was the match against Pocono Mountain West."

Before Coach George Harmanos there was Coach Sister Clare de Chantal, and in her first year as girls tennis coach, the Lady Hawks won zero matches. In her second year, they won two matches.

Harmanos explained, "She came to me one day and she said, 'George, you have to take over the girls.' And I said, 'Sis-

ter, I never coached girls. I don't really want to coach the girls.' And she said, 'You're good with the boys. You'll enjoy it.' So she convinced me."

Harmanos's first season with the girls team was in 1977 after having been coaching the boys team since 1973.

"It was a real challenge," said Harmanos. "I always tell the story, there was one girl, one of the first matches we played, so it was early in the fall and still hot, and we were only allowed to coach after a set was over. So she comes over to the fence at the end of the first set, and I was going to tell her to hit to her backhand or whatever, and the first thing she says to me is 'Coach, I'm sweaty,' and I didn't know what to say to her."

Harmanos was the first to admit things weren't going well and even tried to switch sports for the fall.

"I started getting into some road racing and running, and the cross country job was open,

so I thought, I'll switch to cross country," he said. "Well, the girls got wind of it, and they were all sad, so I said OK, I'll do it one more year. But then what happened is that the girls who began playing tennis were the girls who played soccer when they were little, so they were better athletically."

Coach Harmanos and the Lady Hawks have now qualified for the district team tournament for the 24th season in a row. In 18 of those years, including 2021, the girls teams have advanced to the district final. And both Coach and Lady Hawks have now surpassed 500 wins.

It would have made for great drama, though, if Harmanos's 500th win was the 4-3 Southern Lehigh match, a match that came down to number one doubles. Instead, his was a quiet 7-0 victory at Pocono Mountain West on Sept. 14.

FHS swim team has high hopes

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Freedom swimming coach Alisha Roscioli is looking forward to great swim times, broken personal records, and a few Patriot district qualifiers for the 2021-2022 season, a season which reverts to the way things used to be before COVID: in-person dual meets and fans in the

stands.

While the Pates' roster numbers are low, hopes are high for a few key returners from last year's team.

On the boys' side are Andrew Ehret, Ryan Rummel, and Luke McClure.

On the girls' side are Aliah Corrado, Lilly Anderson, Deb Belen, and Katie Twigger.

"We have a great group of kids with a lot of determination," Roscioli said.

Corrado, Rummel, and Ehret will captain the Pates this season.

"The captains are expected to lead the team in a positive light and help with many aspects, amongst other expectations," said Roscioli.

Roscioli sees the

boys' 50 freestyle, 100 backstroke, and 500 free, as well as the girls' 200 IM, 50 free, 100 back, 100 breaststroke, and 500 free as the Pates' strongest events.

Freedom's season opener is scheduled for this Tuesday at Easton, past Press deadlines, and the Patriots will host Allentown Central Catholic on Dec. 21.

LHS volleyball to hold clinics

BY PETER CAR
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Liberty volleyball coach Mike Zile will be hosting a four session clinic in February for K-5 students who are new to the game or those looking to sharpen their skills.

The sessions will take place on Feb 6, 13, 20 and 27 (Sunday's) and will be split into two different times with third through fifth grade going from 1-2:30 p.m. and Kindergarten through second grade going from 2:45-4 p.m.

These sessions are open to both boys and girls.

The purpose of the clinic is to give both boys and girls an early start with the sport of volleyball. Volleyball has been a sport where both boys and girls get late starts compared to other youth sports.

Boys volleyball players sometimes do not get started until

freshman year of high school. Girls volleyball players will start as early as 4th grade (CYO) and 7th grade (middle school).

Many schools in the Lehigh Valley now have middle school programs for both boys and girls. Zile is hoping to start middle school teams for the BASD boys in the near future. Even though the girls get started sooner it's still later than every other organized sport. Zile wants kids started earlier with the sport so they know there's an opportunity to play.

Net height will be modified and different types of balls will be used so the kids learn how to play competitive volleyball in an age appropriate way.

The cost of the clinic is \$40. Participants will receive a Liberty volleyball T-Shirt at the February 27 session.

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Payments can be accepted via Venmo. The Venmo account is @HurricanesVB and the name on the account is "Hurricane Volleyball Boosters" (under People). The 4 digit code is 1886.

There are a limited number of registration spots (max of 40 at each session / minimum of 10 spots reserved at each session for boys). All participants must be pre-registered for the clinic by no later than January 30. Please send in all payments at the time of registration and no later than January 30.

If there are any questions, you can reach out to Michael Zile at michaelzile@gmail.com or 610-392-6769. Any notices about delays or cancellations due to weather will be emailed.

LHS

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tum. I think we lost focus and it shifted," Inman said. "We've been working hard every day, and this was one of the biggest games. We were on top in the third, so we needed to slow the game down and take over."

The Hurricanes had

their chances in the fourth quarter when Emmaus was called for two five-second violations but didn't capitalize. Even so, the Hornets called a timeout.

"I told the girls, 'We're up by five points right now. Let's take the best shot we can take. If we don't score and play really good defense, we

still win this ballgame," Coach Gallagher said. "We dug as deep as we could, and we played team defense and were able to hold them to three points."

And that's what decided the game.

"I feel like we felt that we were rushed," said Coach Carnes. "Even though there were 59

seconds left, and we were getting down to the wire, there was plenty of time. We had three or four timeouts left, and I felt that our girls felt rushed and they wanted something to happen, but sometimes it doesn't, and you just have to play through it."

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.

SAFETY GUIDELINES: ArtsQuest has a number of best practices and procedures based on guidelines from the CDC, City of Bethlehem and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Visit artsquest.org/safety to view current health and safety guidelines.

To December 21

Gingerbread Friends contest entries displays: Main Street area around Christmas Huts, down the path leading into the Colonial Industrial Quarter. Information: visit <https://getdowntownbethlehem.com/gingerbread-games/>

To December 22

East Hills Moravian Church 40th annual Christmas putz and displays through Dec. 22 in the church's Fellowship Hall, 1830 Butztown Road. Wednesdays and Fridays, 6 to 8 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays, 3 to 8 p.m. Walk-ins welcome. Group reservations: call 610-442-6056 or email nancyecosta@gmail.com. ADA accessible. Face masks must be worn.

To December 23

Virtual live advent calendar, 5:30 p.m. daily to Dec. 23. Outside of Goundie House door, 501 Main St. In partnership with the Downtown Bethlehem Association. Visit <https://getdowntownbethlehem.com/> or www.facebook.com/GetDowntownBethlehem/ or www.facebook.com/watch/?v=2812686609054374

To December 31

Christmas at Hotel Bethlehem. Free self guided tour seven days a week through December; reservations required. 437 Main St. Visit www.eventbrite.com/e/hotel-bethlehem-self-guided-christmas-tour-reservations-required-tickets-121540427691 for availability. 35,000 Christmas lights, Christmas trees, 36 wreaths, six seven foot toy soldiers, two life size Nutcrackers and a gingerbread house modeled after the hotel.

To January 9

Trees of Historic Bethlehem, 26 trees; five historic sites, each decorated by the Bethlehem Garden Club to reference a classic holiday movie, including favorites such as "It's a Wonderful Life," "The Grinch," and "A Christmas Carol," 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursdays through Sundays through Jan. 9, 2022. Kemerer Museum of Decorative Arts, Moravian Museum of Bethlehem, Single Sisters House, Luckenbach Mill and 1810 Goundie House. For single, multi-site passes, combination offers and discounts, visit <https://historicbethlehem.org/christmas/activities/>

Holiday Putz Trail, Moravian Museum of Bethlehem and Single Sisters' House. Traditional Moravian settings of the Nativity used around Christmas. Putz is a German term for decorate or embellish. This year's miniatures feature hand-crafted models of Moravian Landmark District buildings. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Single and multi-site passes, combination offers and discounts available. Putz displays included in a Trees of Historic Bethlehem pass. Visit <https://historicbethlehem.org/holiday-putz-trail/> for days, hours, tickets and more information.

Saturday, December 19

Downtown and Southside outdoor walking food fair and open air shopping with sidewalk sales and in person gift card flash sales. Santa will be in Brownstone Design for his last day visiting Bethlehem. Visit the Southside's Christmas Tree Trail. Some meters will feature two or three hours of free parking. For more information, visit <https://getdowntownbethlehem.com/a-merry-little-shop-and-stroll/>; For parking information, visit <https://getdowntownbethlehem.com/get-the-parking/> or www.bethpark.org

December 16 to 19

Huts on Main 2020, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Main St. Colonial Industrial Quarter shopping, putz, art, photo ops, live music, food trucks, winter bar, activities, illuminations. Thursday, Friday: 5 to 8 p.m.; Saturday: 2 to 8 p.m.; Sunday: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. 459 Old York Road. Information, tickets: https://store.historicbethlehem.org/2020-christmas-in-the-quarter/?utm_source=HBMS&utm_medium=CITQ%20Ticket%20Page&utm_campaign=CITQ

Christmas City Follies XXII, Touchstone Theatre's vaudeville. 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays. Additional performances: 2 p.m. Dec. 18, 19. Information, tickets: visit www.touchstone.org/events/christmas-city-follies-xxii/

December 17, 18, 19

Christkindlmarkt, (cost) 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fridays free entry 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets, passes: visit [ChristmasCity.org](https://www.ChristmasCity.org) or call ArtsQuest box office : 610-332-3378. hours: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Dec. 2 to 5, 9 to 12 and 16 to 19. ArtsQuest follows the latest CDC, state and local health and safety guidelines. Visit artsquest.org/safety for more information. Every Friday evening from 6-8 p.m., there will be free entry, thanks to the generosity of ArtsQuest's partner T-Mobile.

Saturday, December 18

Clash of the Carols - Second annual holiday a capella choir competition for youth, middle school, high school and adult choirs. Finals - check website for times. Colonial Industrial Quarter. Information: visit <https://getdowntownbethlehem.com/get-christmas/clash-of-the-carols/>

Wednesday, December 22

The Festivus Concert with Charter Arts Jazz Program's ensembles. Familiar and obscure holiday and other works by Wes Montgomery, Sun Ra, Claude Thornhill, Milt Jackson and others. 7 p.m. School theatre, 321 E. Third St. Masks are required. Information, tickets (also at the door): visit www.charterarts.org/event/festivus-concert-5/ or www.charterarts.org/event/festivus-concert-5/

Horse drawn carriage rides, every 20 minutes, 3 to 9 p.m. Hours of operation and availability subject to change. Depart from Central Moravian Church Church, 73 W. Church St. No carriage rides on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Information and tickets: visit <https://historicbethlehem.org/carriage-rides-christmas-hours/>

Christmas City Stroll Outdoor Walking Tour, certified guide in period dress; includes two National Historic Landmarks. 1, 3 and 6 p.m. Historic Bethlehem Visitor Center, 505 Main St. Seniors, special combination offers, discounts available. Visit <https://historicbethlehem.org/>

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Year-end book sale nets almost \$10K



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The Bethlehem Area Public raised \$9,033 at its December holiday book sale closing 2021 out on a high note according to book sale coordinator Laurel Stone. Sale patrons were able to garner some great deals on gifts for their favorite readers. Once again capacity limits and masking were enforced due to COVID safety precautions. The next book sale will be held Feb. 2 and 5, 2022. Book sale information is available on the BAPL website at bapl.org. **Above:** Bethlehem resident Melinda Steimling was searching for Christmas music to gift to a friend who recently purchased a home.

Lights in the Parkway marks 25th anniversary

The City of Allentown is extending the season to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Lights in the Parkway.

Lights in the Parkway is one of the most traditional holiday displays in the Lehigh Valley and is emphasized as a traveling destination all across the country, having entertained visitors from all 50 states.

Enjoy the radiant view from the comfort and safety of your vehicle with your family nightly through Dec. 31. Lights in the Parkway is closed Christmas Day.

Travel for more than a mile in one of Allentown's most beautiful parks, Lehigh Parkway, which is turned into a winter wonderland.

More than 360 displays, 41 new features, and over 100 glistening

wrapped trees, make-up the largest show in event history.

Visitors will experience tunnels and favorite holiday scenes.

Patrons can enjoy free interactive giveaways, while supplies last, from presenting home for the holidays sponsor, Lehigh Valley Reilly Children's Hospital and the city.

Proceeds from the program have annually benefited an average seven to 10 local nonprofit organizations.

Lights in the Parkway is presented by the City of Allentown in partnership with presenting home for the holidays sponsors, Lehigh Valley Reilly Children's Hospital and WFMZ; along with Tinsel, Star, Mistletoe, Jingle Bell and Snowflake level sponsors, which include Lehigh Valley Live, 100.7

WLEV, Cat Country 96, and 99.9 The HAWK, iHeart Media, RCN, Latina Radio, Allentown Federal Credit Union, BSI Corporate Benefits, Run Lehigh Valley, City Center, Waste Management, La Mega, Alvin H. Butz Inc., Tacos Y Tequila Allentown, La Vida Café, Bigfoot Poconos and 93.5 SBG.

Tickets sales are available at lightsintheparkway.com.

Only advance ticket sales will be offered this season to provide a better experience.

There is no additional cost to visit on Santa search nights.

Online processing fees will apply, schedule is subject to change.

No cash or credit sales will be accepted on site.

The City of Allentown's Parks Department

is the creative and visual talent behind Lights in the Parkway.

Allentown's Parks Department staff has provided the lighting expertise needed to produce just the right illumination, shadow, and silhouetting effects for this imaginative wonderland.

Lights in the Parkway continues to show commitment to use energy-efficient LED lights in all new displays and to convert more existing displays each year to LED bulbs.

LED lights use 85 percent less energy than traditional bulbs and last about four times longer.

For information on Lights in the Parkway, contact Lucinda Wright, events manager for the City of Allentown, at 610-841-3506 or Lucinda.Wright@allentownpa.gov.

Lehigh Co. Agricultural Society mourns loss of leader

Leon S. Peters, president of the Lehigh County Agricultural Society, the nonprofit owner and operator of the Allentown Fairgrounds and The Great Allentown Fair, died Dec. 4 in Lehigh Valley Hospital.

Peters was elected president of the society by its members in August.

Prior to being elected president of the society, he was treasurer and served on the executive committee.

He was the society's librarian for two years before becoming treasurer.

Society Executive

Committee Chairman-CEO Beverly Gruber remarked, "The society has lost one of its most fervent supporters and his ability to raise funds for relevant causes will be missed. The executive committee and board of directors will greatly miss his leadership."

A community stalwart throughout his lifetime, Peters became involved in the society in 1978 as a director after former fair president William Harris Jr., encouraged him to join the agricultural society and lend his financial expertise.

Peters worked closely with The Great Allentown Fair Foundation in its early months to get the foundation on sound footing.

He collaborated with the foundation on the foundation's inaugural capital campaign of renovating and illuminating the cupola atop the Martin F. Ritter Grandstand Building on the Allentown Fairgrounds.

He was surprised this year at The Great Allentown Fair as the recipient of the Friend of the Fair award, presented by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

ment of Agriculture.

Each year this award is given to an individual who demonstrates outstanding leadership, volunteerism, community engagement and dedication to the fair.

Peters was involved in the brokerage business in the Lehigh Valley for over 40 years and retired from Morgan Stanley in 2010. For the past 18 years he was a member of the Lehigh County Assessment Appeals Board.

Funeral arrangements were handled by the Schmoyer Funeral Home, Breinigsville.

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CENTER FOR ANIMAL HEALTH & WELFARE

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



Hazel is hoping to find her furr-ever home before the holidays. This petite little lady loves spending time with other cats and sitting in high places. After being found as a stray, Hazel is beginning to understand the perks of living indoors.



At only 4 years old, **Charlie** the Chihuahua mix is on the hunt for his forever family. This goofy young man is looking for an active home where someone can spend all their time with him. Charlie is very toy motivated and loves to throw his toys in the air.

LIBRARY NOTES

General information

Visit the Bethlehem Area Public Library at 11 E. Church St. (main) or 400 Webster St. (SouthSide branch) or 2740 Fifth St. (Coolidge) or visit www.youtube.com/channel/UCsuAN4Af6kv-3jQ11us_WkVQ/featured and www.bapl.org/events/categories/virtual-events for a variety of items. For hours, information or to speak with staff members, call 610-867-3761 (main-11 W. Church St.) or 610-867-7852- 400 Webster St. (SouthSide branch) or 484-892-6267 (Coolidge). Chat service and general information: visit www.bapl.org (main) or at www.facebook.com/paBAPL or www.bapl.org/ssmain.htm (Southside) or <https://www.bapl.org/coolidge/> (Coolidge).

Events are held live and virtually; refer to the BAPL calendar for details. There is a "grab and go" check-out; place books or other items on reserve and pick them up with your library card at the door or inside.

Due to the pandemic: hours, masking and capacity limits may change without prior notice. Check the websites or call via phone. Libraries are closed Dec. 24 and 25.

New places and events

Preschool storytime on the road. 10 to 10:30 a.m. Crayola Gallery, Banana Factory, 25 E. Third St. First Thursday of the month: Miss Regina from Coolidge Branch; Second Thursday of the month: Miss Joanne en Espanol; Third Thursday of the month: Miss Stephanie from Southside branch; Fourth Thursday of the month: Miss Lisa from Arts Quest. Information: visit www.bapl.org/events/bapl-preschool-storytime-at-the-banana-factory-2-2021-10-21/ Books on The Hill (Stanley and Spiegel streets, Fountain Hill) stationary bookmobile

Stationary bookmobile hours: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays; 1 to 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays; Closed Wednesdays; 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. alternate Fridays / Saturdays. Information: visit www.bapl.org/books-on-the-hill-rolls-into-fountain-hill/

Main Library

Wednesday, December 15

Registration deadline for Dec.16 Toni Morrison Book Club, "God Help the Child". 6:30 p.m. Visit www.bapl.org/events/toni-morrison-book-club-9/

Thursday, December 16

Toni Morrison Book Club, "God Help the Child". 6:30 p.m. Visit www.bapl.org/events/toni-morrison-book-club-9/

Saturday, December 18

Stories and cookie decorating, make an ornament. Youth Department. Masks required. No registration needed. 11 a.m. to noon. Information: www.bapl.org/events/holiday-story-time-and-cookie-decorating-event-at-the-main-library/

Monday, December 20

Snowy Day Storytime, all ages. Youth Department. Masks required. No registration needed. 10-10:45 a.m. Visit www.bapl.org/events/snowy-day-storytime-for-all-ages-at-the-main-library/

Tuesday, December 21

Teen Board, grades six to twelve. 4 p.m. Complete your community service hours. Youth Department. No registration is required. Observe social distancing guidelines. Masks are a must.

Southside Branch

December

Adult DIY Literature Lovers kits. All day. Visit www.bapl.org/events/adult-diy-craft-literature-lovers-ornament/ for dates and hours.

December 15

Old Fashioned Holiday Celebration. Cookies, crafts, stories, fun, Santa. 4:30-5:30 p.m. Masks and registration required; visit www.bapl.org/events/santa-comes-to-south-side/

Winter pre-school storytime, 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. Wednesdays through Feb. 23. Must wear masks. Visit www.bapl.org/events/winter-preschool-storytime-at-south-side-2021-12-15/

Coolidge Branch

December 22, 23

The Christmas Owl Story readings on the hour from noon to-6 p.m. Wednesday and noon to 4 p.m. Thursday. Cardboard & yarn lacing owl craft. Visit www.bapl.org/events/a-christmas-owl-story-and-craft-at-coolidge/

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Louise meets Pharaoh



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

Bethlehem resident Louise Valeriano was enjoying lunch with friends at Rosanna's Restaurant on Oct. 26 when Bethlehem's Mounted Police unit trotted by on East Broad Street. Valeriano's late sister, Councilwoman Magdalena Szabo, and she were ardent supporters of the Bethlehem Police department, often donating to support various law enforcement needs, so Valeriano was eager to go outside and meet the officers and their horses. She recalled riding horses as a young woman and savored the opportunity to pet Asa up close as officer Albert Strydesky introduced them to one another.

BETHLEHEM HARB



Sal Verrastro addresses board questions regarding the mock-up of one of the proposed replacement windows for 89 W. Church St.

PRESS PHOTOS BY ED COURRIER

Window upgrade given clear approval

BY ED COURRIER

Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Historical and Architectural Review Board granted a certificate of appropriateness for a major project to upgrade worn out win-

dows for 89 W. Church St. during the Dec. 1 in-person, live streamed meeting at the Rotunda.

Representing the proposal to replace all the windows on the Historic Brethren's House was Sal Verrastro from Spill-

man Farmer Architects. Amber Denato, from Moravian University, would occasionally answer questions from her seat in the audience.

Verrastro informed the board that the existing windows are not

original to the building which was erected in 1748 by the Moravians as the Single Brethren's House. The stone façade was stuccoed over, while the windows and doors were altered as the building was converted for use as the Young Ladies Seminary in 1815.

Windows were again altered or replaced in 1859, the 1960s, then again in the 1970s.

Verrastro supplied the commissioners with photographs of several of these '70s replacement windows that show the wood has rotted over the years due to condensation. He mentioned Moravian University's music department currently uses the building and the new windows will provide better acoustics for the occupants, as well as being energy efficient.

He also wheeled in a mock up of one of the proposed replacement windows.

Approval was contingent on the glass panes not being tinted.

Representing the Market Street Condo Association for 56 W. Market St., Helen Smith successfully scored a COA for a revised address sign proposal. Taking the board's advice on "keeping it simple" from the September meeting, the number "56" in a 7-inch-tall black serif font will be attached to mortar joints over an 8-foot brick archway.

The commissioners approved new GAF Slateline replacement roofing for 443 Linden St. Representing the See HARB on Page A11

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Carly Mehta Freedom HS

Grade: 12
Family: My mom, dad and older brother
Favorite subject: My favorite subjects are biology and biomedical innovations. I have always had an interest in life sciences, especially when they are applied in a medical aspect.

Activities: This is currently my 15th year dancing, doing various styles along with being on a competition team. I am also the president of the National Honor Society and take part in raising money for Angel 34.

Next steps: After high school I plan to attend a four-year university for a degree in biomedical engineering before pursuing medical school.

Career goals: I hope to become a physician after completing medical school, possibly specializing in pediatric oncology.

Heroes: My parents are my heroes. They are both the hardest and most passionate workers, but also prioritize providing the best for our family at the same time. They always put everyone before themselves and make the best of everything.

Hobbies: Besides dancing, I really like traveling and photography, along with spending a lot of time with friends and family.

Volunteer and community work: I volunteer at The Center for Animal Health and Welfare intermittently, along with delivering meals to elderly/disabled individuals for Meals on Wheels. I have been a camp counselor for Camp Smile the past four



years, giving cancer patients along with their siblings a week to look forward to. Similarly, I went down to Wildwood, NJ, this past summer for Angel 34's Camp Flipflop, where pediatric cancer patient families enjoyed a week of vacation.

Likes: I love shopping, being with friends, and positivity.

Dislikes: I don't like lack of communication or disorganization.

Greatest accomplishment (so far): My greatest accomplishment so far would have to be maintaining a rank at the top of my class and completing over 250 community service hours.

Advice for peers: Know how to balance doing really well in school and enjoying your high school experience at the same time, it really does go by fast!

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

Charter Arts students inducted



PRESS PHOTO COURTESY LVCHSA

At a Nov. 2 ceremony, 15 students were inducted into the Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts Chapter of the Spanish Honor Society, Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica-Capítulo Sueño Latino. According to faculty adviser Jimena Carias, "Capítulo Sueño Latino was chosen as the chapter's name because the students involved dreamed of ways to cultivate and promote their love for Hispanic/Latino art, culture, traditions and heritage. Starting an honor society during a pandemic was a dream come true for the students." The chapter's membership and leadership board will continue to foster initiatives and events to support both the school and local community. Students inducted into the honor society included Katelyn Batista, Alannah Carrasquillo, Morgan Del Moral, Nicholas Gilot Tulier, Amaiya Kavachery, Josiah Lamiran, Isaiah Martinez Abigail Moyer, Marguerite Pershyn, Elliot G. Roman, Maya Samir, Nicholas Suárez, Madeline Tade, Sylvia Trujillo and Isabella Watson.

PennDOT extends deadline for 'Innovations Challenge'

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation recently announced that the deadline for the fifth annual Innovations Challenge has been extended through Jan. 21, 2022.

Students in grades nine through 12, regardless of their school's learning model, are invited to participate in this year's Innovations Challenge, which

encourages students to use their problem-solving, creative and strategic-thinking abilities to solve real-world transportation challenges in a competition among their peers.

Taking Pennsylvania's diverse demographics into consideration, this year's Innovations Challenge asks students to develop a comprehensive and

cost-effective public engagement strategy, beyond the current public engagement procedures (outlined in Publication 295), that uses innovative technologies and tools that PennDOT can implement to more effectively engage and connect with all age groups during the transportation planning and project development. See **PENNDOT** on Page A12

COLLEGE NOTES

Northampton Community College

Spartan session set for December 16

Thinking about applying to Northampton Community College? Already applied and want to know what do next? Just want to learn more about what NCC has to offer? Join us at 4 p.m. on Dec. 16 for our Spartan Session. Learn the ins and outs of NCC, the benefits of being a student here and how we can support you every step of the way. This event lasts approximately 60 minutes. Learn more and RSVP at info.northampton.edu/admissions-events.

Residence halls applications available

Northampton Community College is currently accepting housing applications at the Bethlehem campus for the spring 2022 semester. NCC is the only community college in Pennsylvania that offers on-campus housing for students. For more information or to complete a housing application, visit northampton.edu/campus-life/housing-and-residence-life.

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

HEALTH NEWS

St. Luke's Health Network

School of Phlebotomy opens in January

St. Luke's University Health Network is opening its School of Phlebotomy in January to develop highly skilled, patient-focused phlebotomists seeking a rewarding career. "The curriculum features strong hands-on training which is crucial for phlebotomy students," Elizabeth Taylor, Director, Outpatient Lab Services, Network, System Services, said.

The school of Phlebotomy is located in the St. Luke's Center at 1110 St. Luke's Way, Allentown. The 12 week program has three sessions. Session 1: Jan. 10 - April 1, 2022; Session 2: April 18 - July 8, 2022; and Session 3: Aug. 29 - Nov. 18, 2022.

The SLUHN School of Phlebotomy is approved by the American Medical Technologists, a nonprofit certification agency and professional membership association, and adheres to the AMT's stringent standards. Students who successfully complete the program will be prepared to take an accredited national certification exam through AMT or the National Health Career Association to become a Registered Phlebotomy Technician.

Applications for the SLUHN School of Phlebotomy are currently being accepted. Students must have a high school diploma or GED to be considered. Visit www.shn.org/admissions-school-of-phlebotomy.



New GAF Slateline replacement roofing was approved for homeowners Doug and Brie Lisk at 443 Linden St. Their half of the twin structure is at right.

HARB

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project was homeowner Brie Lisk, assisted by Ron Richhart from Roof Tight Co.

The board balked at the "English Grey" color, preferring "Antique Slate," which they said had "less variation in color from one shingle to another."

While the COA requests "Antique Slate" be used, the applicants will be permitted to go with their first choice, based on product availability and the need to fix a leaky roof as soon as possible.

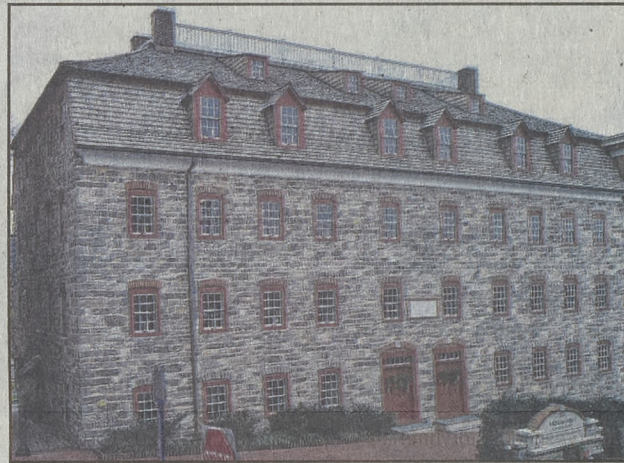
All voting was unanimous.

Three guests from the Bethlehem Historic District Association (BHDA) pulled up chairs to discuss their concerns about UGI installing new gas meters in front of historic structures. They included board President Alan Lowcher, Vice President

Will Carpenter and Holly Sachdev.

During this discourse, they were informed that neither the city nor HARB has jurisdiction over UGI.

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



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YOUR LOCAL WEATHER

7 Day Forecast	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Scattered Rain	Partly Cloudy	Cloudy	Scattered Snow
	49 / 41 2-5 mph ESE	61 / 44 5-9 mph SSW	54 / 35 2-9 mph WNW	49 / 29 2-9 mph SSW	41 / 22 5-8 mph WNW	40 / 20 5-7 mph ESE	35 / 17 5-21 mph S

FORECAST FOR LEHIGH VALLEY PENNSYLVANIA

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 49°, humidity of 69%. East southeast wind 2 to 5 mph. The record high temperature for today is 66° set in 2015. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a slight chance of showers, overnight low of 41°. South wind 2 to 5 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 40°. The record low for tonight is 6° set in 1960. Thursday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a high temperature of 61°, humidity of 56%. South southwest wind 5 to 9 mph. Thursday night, skies will be mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers, overnight low of 44°. West southwest wind 8 mph. Friday, skies will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 54°, humidity of 50%. West northwest wind 2 to 9 mph.

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VOLUNTEERS

AMERICAN RED CROSS PA RIVERS CHAPTER, Allentown needs team members to help save lives and prevent injury using the Prepare with Pedro program. The 30-45-minute presentation provides emergency preparedness education to youth in grades K-2 (ages 4-7) in school classrooms and other settings. Team member roles include either being a presenter, presentation assistant, administrative support, or presenter trainer. Contact Ann Borysowski, 215-384-7191, ann.borysowski@redcross.org.

CHRISTKINDLMARKT, SteelStacks in Southside Bethlehem, needs a lot of volunteers for a variety of tasks at its newly expanded holiday festival. Please consider signing up for 2-3 volunteer shifts, Thursday through Sunday to Dec. 19. Minimum age 15, or 14 with adult. Contact Cory Stevens, 610-332-1370, cstevens@artsquest.org.

MILLER-KEYSTONE BLOOD CENTER, Allentown needs volunteers at the Cedar Crest Donor Center to give out snacks with a smile while monitoring donors to be sure they are doing well after donating. The two shifts available are from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, or from 7:30-11 a.m. Mondays. This does require a 1.5-hour orientation and (free) PA state clearances. No community service hours. Contact Kathy Hoy, 610-691-5850, ext. 1103, khoy@giveapint.org.

NORTHEAST COMMUNITY CENTER, Bethlehem is seeking Spanish speaking tutors to assist students during its After-School Homework Club 3 to 5 p.m. on Monday through Thursday. Students range in age from 6 to 13 years old. All volunteers must complete background checks, wear face masks and be vaccinated for COVID-19. Contact Paula Johnson, 610-691-3355, johnsonp@neccbethlehem.org.

SHARECARE FAITH IN ACTION, Bethlehem needs many volunteers to help with taking non-Covid-19 clients to their vital appointments. All volunteers will have to attend online orientation, provide criminal background check and proof of insurance. KN95 facemasks and sanitizer wipes provided to volunteers. All clients will sit in back seat and wear a facemask as well. Call Lynn Heiney, 610-867-2177, sharecare8@aol.com.

ST. LUKE'S UNIVERSITY HEALTH NETWORK needs volunteers to assist in its lobbies, inpatient nursing, emergency department or hospice by spending time socializing, providing comfort items, and assisting staff with various supportive duties. St. Luke's volunteers are greatly appreciated and a valued member of the team. Join today by calling 484-526-4600.

THE CENTER FOR ANIMAL HEALTH & WELFARE, Easton, is looking for people with a little extra love to give during the holiday season to help a homeless pet feel the love a home by fostering a cat and/or a dog. For more information contact Rosaria Stoops, 610-252-7722, cahwprogramsmanager@rcn.com.

THE GRESS MOUNTAIN RANCH, Orefield needs volunteers to assist with feeding and watering the animals, and small groups to help with grounds maintenance, composting, cleaning stalls. Minimum age 14, or with parent supervision is 10. To arrange a day/time, call Kathryn Gress at 610-398-2122, gressranch@gmail.com.

THE CENTER FOR ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE, Easton, is seeking volunteers to walk dogs, assist with a.m. cleanings, attend off site events to promote the shelter, cat and dog enrichment and general shelter help. If interested in helping, please contact Walt Hoffman at 610-252-7722, ext. 4 or email cahwvolunteercoordinator@rcn.com.

To receive a brochure listing agencies in need of volunteers call 610-807-0336 or e-mail: vc@volunteerlv.org. Visit the website www.volunteerlv.org for a larger listing of volunteer opportunities.

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process.

Regional challenge winners will be selected and invited to compete for the state championship, which will be held in spring 2022.

For this year's challenge, the Associated Pennsylvania Constructors has donated \$2,500 and the American Council of Engineering Companies of PA has donated \$1,500 for a combined total award of \$4,000 for this year's first place team.

The Innovations Challenge aims to not only help students explore real transportation challenges that PennDOT is facing, but also open their minds to the very real possibility of working for PennDOT or in the transportation industry after graduation. For complete details, visit www.pennndot.gov.

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Christmas originals 'Noelle,' 'Tidings' on area stages

CURTAIN RISES

By Kathy Lauer-Williams



Crowded Kitchen Players' "Noelle," a new holiday comedy that looks at issues facing the elderly, opens 8 p.m. Dec. 16 and continues at 2 and 8 p.m. Dec. 18 and 2 p.m. Dec. 19, Charles A. Brown Ice House, Bethlehem.

Also, Star of the Day is reviving a holiday-themed comedy written by a local playwright, "Tidings: A Fractured Christmas Fable," 7:30 p.m. Dec. 17 and 3 p.m. Dec. 18 and 19, Macungie Memorial Hall, Macungie.

"Noelle" takes place during a Christmas Eve party in the home of a grandmother, Noelle Whitlock, who is facing mental and physical challenges.

When she displays a series of potentially serious lapses, Noelle's concerned but dysfunctional family insists that she can no longer remain in her home.

A string of relatives and friends, including a frustrated son, a lascivious pastor, a kind neighbor, a larcenous ex-daughter-in-law

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CONTRIBUTED PHOTO BY STAR OF THE DAY

From left: Isabella Robbins, Coby James Steiner, Connor Roberts, Corinne Fecho, Michael Ignudo, "Tidings: A Fractured Christmas Fable," Star of the Day, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 17; 3 p.m. Dec. 18, 19, Macungie Memorial Hall, Macungie.

Merry little Norfolk Island Pine



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Norfolk Island Pines make great tabletop trees for offices, apartments or wherever space does not allow a larger tree.

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The Norfolk Island Pine often appears in stores over the holidays to serve as indoor Christmas trees. You can sustain Norfolk Island pines as attractive houseplants year-round.

Brightly-wrapped Norfolk Island Pines given as gifts over the holidays may spark a number of questions. Can they be planted outside? Do they require a lot of light? Here are some answers to these and more questions regarding care

of Norfolk Island Pines.

The small, potted plants that we know as Norfolk Island Pines originated on an uninhabited island near Australia, named by Captain James Cook in 1774. Impressively large "pines" on the island reaching 200 feet in height seemed like a promising choice for ship masts, but they proved too brittle.

Not truly a pine (Pinus), the Norfolk Island Pine's botanical name is Araucaria heterophylla. The genus name is derived from the Araucanian Indians of Chile, where the related monkey puzzle tree (Araucaria araucana) is native.

The Greek word heterophylla means "different leaves" and

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'Holiday Gift' at Baum School



By Ed Courrier

The Baum School of Art, Allentown, has returned to in-person shopping with the annual "Holiday Gift Gallery," an exhibit which continues through Dec. 22.

More than 30 Lehigh Valley-based artists and artisans have handmade works, including paintings, ceramics, woodcraft, metalwork, ornaments and fashion accessories for sale in the school's David E. Rodale and Rodale Family Galleries. Pro-

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PRESS PHOTO BY ED COURRIER

Artists whose work is available in the "Holiday Gift Gallery," Baum School of Art, Allentown, include, from left: LeeAnn Bower, Alan Kriebel, Emily Strong, Chris Sarley and Bruce Fritzinger.

8 DAYS A WEEK

Your look ahead at Valley Arts



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Kenny G., 7:30 p.m. Dec. 19, State Theatre Center for The Arts, 453 Northampton St., Easton. Kenny G's "New Standards," released Dec. 3, his first album in six years, has 11 original compositions inspired by jazz ballads of the 1950s and '60s. The new documentary, "Listening to Kenny G," is on HBO and HBO Max: Kenny G was born Kenneth Bruce Gorelick, June 5, 1956, in Seattle, Wash. The breakthrough for the American smooth jazz saxophonist, composer and producer was the 1986 single, his original composition, "Songbird," and 1986 album, "Duotones." Kenny G is the most successful instrumentalist of all-time, having sold more than 75 million records. On his "Holiday Tour," he performs some of his greatest hits, including tunes from his 1994 album, "Miracles: The Holiday Album." Tickets: State Theatre box office, 453 Northampton St., Easton; www.statetheatre.org; 1-800-999-7828



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Trans-Siberian Orchestra, 3 p.m., 7:30 p.m. Dec. 19, PPL Center, 701 Hamilton St., Allentown. Trans-Siberian Orchestra (TSO) brings its "Winter Tour" back to Allentown, celebrating the 25th anniversary of its landmark album, "Christmas Eve and Other Stories." TSO has sold more than 10 million albums, with a series of recorded rock operas: TSO's concerts include a string section, light show, lasers, video screens and synchronized effects. The album and tour feature fan-favorites "Ornament," "Promises To Keep," "This Christmas Day," "O' Come All Ye Faithful," "Good King Joy" and "Old City Bar." A second set contains TSO's hits, including "Christmas Canon" and "Wizards In Winter." TSO will give at least \$1 from every ticket sold to charity. To date, approximately \$16 million has been donated by the group. Tickets: <https://www.pplcenter.com>; 610-224-4625



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Travis Tritt, 8 p.m. Dec. 17, Penn's Peak, 325 Maury Road, Jim Thorpe. Doors open at 6 p.m. Thirty years after Tritt's 1990 debut, "Country Club," the Marietta, Ga., native's latest album, "Set In Stone," is available on vinyl. It's his first studio album in more than a decade and was released digitally and on CD in May. "Set In Stone" has 11 new songs, eight of which were co-written by Tritt, such as "Stand Your Ground," "Leave This World" and "Ghost Town Nation." Tritt has sold more than 30 million albums. Among 11 studio albums, his hits include "Help Me Hold On," "Anytime," "Can I Trust You with My Heart," "Foolish Pride," "Best of Intentions," "I'm Gonna Be Somebody," "Modern Day Bonnie and Clyde," "Here's A Quarter" and "It's A Great Day To Be Alive" Tickets: www.ticketmaster.com; Ticketmaster: 800-745-3000; Penn's Peak box office; Information: www.pennspeak.com/events/all; 866-605-PEAK



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Kid Scoop Together: Peacock True or False?

Read today's Kid Scoop page and then answer the following True or False questions.

1. Only males are called peacocks.
☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
2. Peahens are mostly red and yellow.
☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
3. A crown of feathers on a peafowl's head is called a crest.
☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
4. Peacocks shed their feathers every year.
☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
5. Peacocks only eat plants.
☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
6. Peacocks are tiny birds.
☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
7. A peacock's train can grow to be 5 feet long.
☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
8. Peacocks sleep in trees.
☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
9. Peacocks can't fly.
☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE
10. Peacocks fan out their tail feathers to attract females.
☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE

- ANSWERS:
1. True
 2. False
 3. True
 4. True
 5. False
 6. False
 7. True
 8. True
 9. False
 10. True

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word:
PREDATOR
The noun **predator** means an animal that hunts other animals.

The **predators** were silent, waiting for the smaller animals to gather.

Try to use the word **predator** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

Write On!

My Hero

Write about someone who is your hero. Why is this person special to you?

Meet the Peacock

People call them peacocks, but that's the correct name for only the male **peafowl**. Females are called **peahens**.

Fancy Feathers

Peacocks have long, colorful tail feathers that trail behind them to form a **train**. To attract females, they lift and spread out the tail feathers like a big fan that can change color and seem to sparkle in the light.

When spread out like a fan, you can see **eyes** on the feathers. The colors and eyespots attract females.

Color By Numbers:

- 1 = dark green 2 = blue
3 = orange 4 = light green



Peacocks are one of the world's largest birds. Its tail is longer than its body! Males can grow to 8 feet long. Their train can grow to 5 feet long! Peacocks lose their tail feathers each year.



Peahens: Fewer Colors = Safety!

Cut out each part of this paragraph and paste them in the correct order.

- hatched, she stays on the ground with them until they can fly into the trees.
- her eggs on the ground and sits on them until they hatch. It is safer for her to be a color that
- Peahens are mostly brown and tan. This keeps them and their peachicks safe. The peahen lays
- blends in with ground colors so she is harder for predators to see. Once the peachicks are

What's for dinner?

Peafowl eat grain, insects, small reptiles, mammals, berries, figs, leaves, seeds, and flowers. This means they are:

- ☐ Omnivores eat plants and animals.
- ☐ Herbivores eat only plants.
- ☐ Carnivores eat only meat.

ANSWER: Omnivores

Bird Words

Do the math to match each word with its definition.

- 21 = FOWL 7 = TRAIN
10 = PARTY 12 = ROOST
15 = CREST 24 = HATCH

12 + 12 = when a baby bird comes out of its egg

18 ÷ 6 = where a bird settles to rest for the night

11 + 4 = a crown of feathers on a peafowl's head

8 + 2 = a group of peafowl — also called a "pride"

9 - 2 = long tail feathers of a peacock

7 + 14 = another word for a bird

Extra! Extra! The Eyes Have It

Look through the newspaper and count all of the eyes you can find. Categorize the eyes. Are some animal eyes? People eyes? Eye decorations? Other? Make a graph to show the kinds of eyes you found in the newspaper.

Standards Link: Organize data and display as a graph.

Kid Scoop Puzzler



Peafowl have sharp eyes. When they see a predator, they make a loud call which alerts other wildlife.



Use your sharp eyes to find where each of these images came from on this Kid Scoop page.



Standards Link: Spelling: Spell grade-level words correctly.

Double Double Word Search

- OMNIVORES
FEATHERS
EYESPOTS
PEAFOWL
BLENDS
ALERTS
SHARP
SHEDS
YEAR
LOUD
BODY
TAIL
TAN
FAN

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

E	S	A	L	E	R	T	S	F	A
K	B	T	N	S	P	D	U	O	L
R	O	A	O	S	D	S	N	W	I
A	D	T	H	P	D	N	O	A	A
P	Y	A	T	E	S	F	E	E	T
S	R	E	H	T	A	E	F	L	R
P	N	S	A	E	E	A	Y	D	B
P	L	U	P	R	N	M	A	E	G
S	E	R	O	V	I	N	M	O	E


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

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Dressing Up

Peacocks aren't the only animals that like to look bright and flashy. Look through the newspaper for some examples of ways people dress up for special occasions.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written instructions.



Where does a peacock go when it loses its tail?

ANSWER: A re-tail store!



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St. Luke's updates visitor policy, citing COVID-19 case surge

St. Luke's University Health Network has updated its hospital visitor policy in response to a dramatic, ongoing surge in COVID-19 cases caused by patients who contracted the virus after refusing to be vaccinated.

According to a Dec. 8 press release, St. Luke's is treating approximately 220 COVID-19 inpatients on its 14 campuses, approximately the same number the Network had in its care at this time last year before peaking in late December-early January. More than 80 percent of COVID inpatients are unvaccinated.

"The current surge, largely driven by the unvaccinated population, is placing an enormous burden on our region's health care system," said Jeffrey Jahre, MD, St. Luke's Vice President of Medical & Academic Affairs and Section Chief Emeritus of Infectious Diseases.

"Unvaccinated COVID patients are filling up hospital beds and exhausting medical staff and limited resources," Jahre said.

"If Pennsylvania moves to restrict elective procedures, it will be due to the strain placed on hospitals by COVID patients who contracted the disease after refusing to be vaccinated," Jahre said.

"Sadly, the current surge was avoidable. It is being driven by people who chose not to be vaccinated. Our statistics tell the story," said Jahre.

Under St. Luke's updated visitor policy, the Network will allow for up to two visitors per patient for the duration of the

hospitalization at its hospitals with the following restrictions:

- It's highly recommend that visitors are vaccinated against COVID-19.

- Visiting hours are noon - 8 p.m. for up to two visitors ages 12 and older.

- Face masks are to be worn (covering nose and mouth) and social distance is to be maintained for the duration of the visit.

- Eating and drinking by visitors should be limited to cafeterias, as available. Visitors may not eat and drink while in patient rooms or waiting areas as this requires face mask removal.

- Visitors must be in good health and may be subject to a health screening.

- Visits for COVID-19 positive patients is prohibited except for those nearing end of life.

- For patients with cognitive or intellectual disabilities one support person may remain with the patient.

Specialty Specific Guidelines:

- Pediatrics

- Two parents or guardians or parent and assigned support person for visiting of a child on the inpatient pediatric unit, pediatric ICU or neonatal ICU may occur at any time.

- Obstetrics

- Two visitors plus one certified doula (if discussed and approved by OB provider).

- Visiting hours per the unit policy. Policies will be reviewed with patient and family at time of admission.

- Siblings are allowed to visit per the unit policy.

- Behavioral Health

- No visitors per specialty policy.

- Skilled Nursing

- 100 percent visitor screening.

- To ensure social distancing, a limit of two visitors at a time.

End of Life

- Visits can occur at any time, but it is preferred if the following times are avoided: 6:45 a.m. - 7:15 a.m. and 6:45 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

- Visitors may not congregate in common or waiting room areas while waiting to visit.

- Oncology

- Visitors are not permitted in infusion centers or radiation therapy areas.

- Same-Day Surgeries

- One visitor for patients undergoing same-day surgeries and procedures.

- Emergency Department

- One visitor per patient in the Emergency Department.

The press release states that St. Luke's understands its visitor policy might present difficulties for some patients, family members and friends, and is sympathetic to those concerns. At the same time, St. Luke's must be responsible to communities it serves and do what's best to protect everyone. St. Luke's urges those who might be impacted to cooperate with physicians, nurses and staff as they help fight COVID-19.

Information:
<https://www.slnh.org/covid-19>

COVID patients at LVHN: 76 percent unvaccinated

During the past month, hospitalizations related to COVID-19 infection have risen substantially, adding additional strain to health care organizations and clinicians across the nation, according to Lehigh Valley Health Network.

Most who are hospitalized have not received their initial vaccination series and booster. This emphasizes the importance of the vaccines for those who have yet to be vaccinated, LVHN stated in a Dec. 9 press release.

"If you compare where we are to one month ago, hospitalizations are up 43 percent," said Alex Benjamin, MD, Chief Infection Control and Prevention Officer, Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN).

"The current number of hospitalizations is the highest we've seen since delta became the dominant variant locally at the beginning of July," Benjamin said.

With more than 85 percent of those hospitalized statewide known to be unvaccinated, and more children hospitalized at LVHN because of COVID-19 than ever before, it is clear the pandemic continues to primarily affect the unvaccinated, the press release stated.

At LVHN facilities, 76.6 percent of hospitalized COVID-19 patients are unvaccinated and only 0.4 percent are fully vaccinated and have received a booster.

"While hospitalizations are rising, what doesn't change is that COVID-19 vaccines save lives," said Benjamin.

In addition to the importance of initial vaccinations, preliminary

data from Pfizer and BioNTech have added additional insight into the importance of booster shots. Recent blood test results reported by the companies suggest that people who received three doses of their vaccine were more protected against infection from the newest COVID-19 variant (omicron) than individuals who only received two doses.

The risk of developing severe illness from COVID-19 and requiring hospitalization is significantly higher if you have or are any of the following (especially if you are unvaccinated):

- Cancer
- Chronic kidney disease

- Chronic lung disease (including chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, asthma, interstitial lung disease, cystic fibrosis and pulmonary hypertension)

- Dementia or other neurological conditions

- Type 1 or type 2 diabetes

- Down syndrome

- Heart conditions, including heart failure, coronary artery disease, cardiomyopathies or hypertension

- HIV infection

- Liver disease

- Sickle cell disease or thalassemia

- Stroke or cerebrovascular disease

- Undergone a solid organ or blood stem cell transplant

- Overweight or obese

- A tobacco smoker or former smoker

- Immunocompromised

- A substance-use disorder

"At LVHN, we are clearly seeing the worst possible outcomes and

the highest volumes of hospitalizations from unvaccinated patients. Getting fully vaccinated against COVID-19 is without a doubt the best thing you can do to protect yourself and others," said Timothy Friel, MD, Chair, Department of Medicine, Infectious Diseases for LVHN.

"We are also encouraging everyone who has completed their initial vaccine series to get their boosters," Friel said.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends booster shots for adults 18 and older if they are six months past completing their Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna series or two months after receiving their Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

According to the LVHN press release, COVID-19 will be here for the near future, and although there may be changes in the number of cases and hospitalization rates, the general precautions will remain the same.

In addition to getting fully vaccinated, safety precautions you and your family can take include:

- Wearing well-fitting masks indoors if you have conditions (or take medications) that weaken your immune system or if you are visiting an area with high transmission.

- Wearing well-fitting masks outdoors if you are in a highly populated area in close contact with unvaccinated individuals.

- Practicing hand hygiene and physical distancing.

- Avoiding crowded spaces.

LVHN has Pfizer booster for 16- to 17-year-olds

Families can schedule Pfizer-BioNTech booster shots for their 16- and 17-year-old children by appointment at Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) COVID-19 vaccine clinic locations.

It's in response to the Food and Drug Admin-

istration (FDA) granting Dec. 9 the booster Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for this age group and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) endorsing it on the same day.

Those age 16 and 17 who had previous Pfizer-

er-BioNTech vaccines at least six months earlier can receive the booster shot.

"Preliminary research has shown that booster shots help strengthen our protection against new variants of COVID-19," said infectious diseases

physician Timothy Friel, MD, Chair, Department of Medicine, for LVHN.

"Data suggest that levels of protection from the initial series can decrease with time. The additional shot six months after the initial series provides significant reduction in risk of acute illness and the other complications of COVID-19," Friel said.

To schedule a child's appointment:

1. Go to MyLVHN, the

LVHN patient portal: Sign In, Sign Up

You may need to request proxy access to your child's MyLVHN account to schedule the appointment. Contact your child's provider. If your child does not have an LVHN provider, call 888-402-LVHN (5846).

2. Call the COVID-19 Vaccine Hotline: 833-584-6283 (833-LVHN-CVD), 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Monday - Friday.

LVHN COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic locations are:

1. COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic - Northampton Crossings

2. COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic - Pocono

3. COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic - Hazleton

4. COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic - Schuylkill

5. COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic - MacArthur Road

Information: www.LVHN.org/vaccines

CURTAIN

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and a county caseworker pressure Noelle to accept their well-meaning but unwelcome plans for her.

After she is tested for incompetence, and failed, by an intoxicated doctor, Noelle desperately wishes for someone to rescue her from the situation.

That's when a charming but uninvited guest appears at her door and presents Noelle with an alternative to her own desire to remain independent and to the family's insistence that she move into an assisted-living facility.

"Noelle" playwright and the play's director Ara Barlieb was inspired to write the play by the statistics that the fastest-growing population by age in the United States and Pennsylvania is 65 years and older.

"About one of every five people is over 60 years of age," says Barlieb.

eb. "And yet services for that population, although critically needed, are in short supply and underfunded.

"Service-providers are severely understaffed. And government response to the looming crisis has lacked any sense of urgency or serious commitment," Barlieb says.

The cast features Sharon Ferry as Noelle and Trish Cipoletti as the uninvited guest. Other cast members are David Oswald, Suzy Hoffman, Dawn Daignault, Scott VanNortwick, Pamela McLean Wallace, Jerry Brucker, Bruce Brown, Alexandra Racines, Paula Klein, Dan Ferry, Billy Erlacher, Brian Wendt and Thomas Rush.

Lehigh County Aging and Adult Services staff will be at performances to provide information and answer questions about services and assistance available to those more than 60 years of age. Resource materials will be



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Sharon Ferry (Noelle), Trish Cipoletti (Uninvited Guest), "Noelle," Crowded Kitchen Players, 8 p.m. Dec. 16; 2, 8 p.m. Dec. 18; 2 p.m. Dec. 19, Charles A. Brown Ice House, Bethlehem.

available.

"Noelle" includes adult language and situations.

Audience members must wear face masks.

Tickets: www.ck-players.com; 610-704-

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"Tidings: A Fractured Christmas Fable," written by Macungie playwright Brian McDermott, combines elements of "It's A Wonderful Life" and "A Christmas Carol" into a magical story set a few

days before Christmas in a department store.

In the story, George is a down-on-his-luck department store Santa who has hit rock-bottom and resigns himself to spending another Christmas alone (and drunk) until his guardian angel appears to attempt to steer him on a better path.

At the same time, the Spirit of Christmas Present is on his own mission to reform the wicked store manager Frederick Neezer.

With Christmas rapidly approaching, the guardian angel and the spirit, who is known as CP, discover they need a shy young woman named Virginia to help with their assignments.

The cast features Kirsten Almeida, Mike Catanzaro, Dara Connelly, Mike Daniels, Michael Ignudo, Emma Fliszar, Corinne Fecho, Isabella Robbins, Connor Roberts, Benjamin Ruth, Parker Ryan, Coby James Steiner, Cindi Surovi, Flor-

ence Taylor and Natalie Woytek.

It will be the fourth time "Tidings" has been presented in the Lehigh Valley. It was originally produced by the Pennsylvania Playhouse in 2006 and then by Crowded Kitchen Players and Notre Dame High School theater department.

McDermott has won several playwright competitions in Pennsylvania and has had his works produced in the Lehigh Valley and the Poconos.

Audience members must wear face masks.

Tickets: <https://www.staroftheday.org/>

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

BAUM

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ceeds benefit the artists and Baum School.

A fully-furnished doll house and a miniature noodle shop donated by area artist Barbara Kozero are among items

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Shipping gifts with supply-chain guilt

Dear Jacquelyn,
I sent a holiday present to my niece that is not going to be delivered on time. I did my best to order early, but with all the shipping delays happening, I feel terrible she won't have her present in time for the holidays. Can you please offer some advice on what to do when your gift isn't going to arrive on time?

Dear Reader,
Don't panic. The United States Postal Service, FedEx, and UPS are all in overdrive this year and with the sheer volume of packages out for delivery, delays are ex-

RESPECTFULLY YOURS

By Jacquelyn Youst



pected. It's always ideal to have gifts arrive on time but this year especially, despite our best intentions, we should expect things not to run smoothly.

If you are uncomfortable that your gift is arriving late, it's not a bad idea to call on your niece. Wish her a wonderful holiday and let her know a gift will be arriving soon. The excitement of hearing from you and knowing a

gift is on its way will be received with joy.

It's acceptable to share tracking information, as well. Leave out the specifics of what the gift is so your niece can have a nice surprise when it does finally arrive. If your niece is a young child, let their parents know something is on the way. When the gift arrives, it will be a wonderful surprise.

Carriers are putting extra work into making deliveries happen. Still, the unexpected could deter shipping plans. When life puts a detour in our path and we are left wondering how to best navigate those times, it's best to re-

spond by being honest. This will help relieve our feeling of regret. Just avoid not saying anything at all.

Despite all the good intentions, whether your gift shows up on time or not, it's the thought that counts.

Respectfully Yours,
Jacquelyn

Have a question?

Email: jacquelyn@ptd.net. Jacquelyn Youst is owner of the Pennsylvania Academy of Protocol, specializing in etiquette training. She is on the board of directors of the National Civility Foundation.

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How smart are you?

Two questions: How smart are you?

How do you determine how smart you are?

I rather suspect life's experiences have a lot to do with your answer.

Based on the high grades I got throughout school I might have been considered smart.

But I knew in my heart that had more to do with one skill of mine than it did with "being smart."

The skill that has always come easily to me is memorizing. When I was in grade school I won the Bible challenge only because I could easily memorize Scripture.

Did you ever stop to consider how much of school work is pure memorizing?

I sailed through classes because I could memorize what I read.

I've always been convinced that those who get the top grades aren't necessarily the smartest. Other factors come into play.

Hard work counts way more than the amount of candle power we were given.

I remember one graduate class with the professor regarded as one of the toughest on campus.

There were only nine of us in class so it was impossible to coast through without a lot of hard work.

Worse yet, when I looked around the class I was intimidated by the bright guys in class, including several of them who were pre-law.

When the professor announced he grades on a scale and only one or two of us would get A's, I knew I had my work cut out for me.

But what I had going for me is that I was willing to work harder than anyone.

We were supposed to defend our stand on a controversial topic while the rest of the class attacked our position. I did more research than anyone in class to make sure I was prepared to defend my theories.

That class reaffirmed that the smartest kids aren't necessarily the ones who get the top grades. I learned that super smart people often coast by on their brains without putting forth a lot of effort.

When I went to my graduation ceremony I was truly stunned when it was announced I was college valedictorian.

Then I learned once we are out of an academic environment, grades and honors mean nothing. Even when applying for jobs, no one asked to see my college transcript.

There was a big article on the internet this week with the headline: The highest IQ in Hollywood.

And how, I wondered, could anyone determine that? The article was a bunch of baloney.

Even if the writer knew everyone's IQ, which is doubtful, it didn't take into consideration there are several kinds of intelligence that contribute to how smart we are.

How well we do in any workplace isn't about being the smartest person. It's about knowing how to get along with others, how to problem solve, and how to apply yourself to the task at hand.

Then there's emotion-

WARMEST REGARDS

By Pattie Mihalik

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al intelligence that determines how well we do on so many fronts.

Emotional intelligence is the ability to understand, use and manage your own intelligence in positive ways. It's knowing what to say and not say.

I've known some smart people who nonetheless lost job after job because they couldn't keep a grip on their emotions.

After decades of research, Dr. Travis Bradberry says emotional intelligence is the critical factor that sets star performers apart from the rest of the pack. The connection is so strong, he says, that 90 percent of top performers have high emotional intelligence.

It means making smart personal decisions, being a good judge of character, mastering your own emotions and being able to pick yourself up quickly from a setback or failure.

Emotionally stable people know if today wasn't satisfactory, there is always tomorrow, always a chance to learn from the experience and do better tomorrow.

Another kind of intelligence that most appeals to me is plain old common sense. Yet, it's not as easy to come by as one might suspect.

I bet you know some smart, educated people who have a lot going for them but seem to be making frequent poor decisions. They have a series of bad consequences not because they aren't smart enough but because they are lacking in common sense.

I describe that kind of person as being like a fine piece of material limited in use because of one major flaw that spoils its potential.

Lacking common sense can derail careers and relationships far faster than other types of intelligence.

OK, I'll level with you and tell you why I've been thinking this week about intelligence. It all started with a leaky garden hose that had me soaked every time I used it. No matter how much I tightened the connection, it spewed water everywhere except where I wanted it to go.

Finally I took off for Walmart to buy a new hose.

Trying to connect the new hose to the faucet had me calling myself stupid, stupid, stupid. Anyone should be able to connect two simple parts. Anyone except me.

When my neighbor came by he said I needed a different adapter. Still couldn't get it on. My nice neighbor said I had to stop trying to screw it on. Push it, he said.

OK, there's also mechanical intelligence, something I sorely lack.

Classroom work was easy. It's the small stuff of everyday life that baffles me.

Contact Pattie Mihalik at newsgrl@comcast.net.

Daughter needs to go face-to-face with peers

Q: My daughter is a high school sophomore and having trouble dealing with students and teachers face-to-face. She says it was easier to approach people last year when she was a freshman and everything was online. She was in online group chats and club and seemed to be doing fine, but now seems at a loss.

After a year and a half of school online during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic shutdown, it is a huge transition for students to return to in-person classes. The Family Project panel agreed.

"There is a learning curve to starting high school and this is part of the fallout of having school online. There's a certain safeness to interacting online," said panelist JoAnne Raftas.

"For a lot of kids, this is like a second freshman year. They had their introduction to high school in a time of fear and started without any face-to-face interac-

THE FAMILY PROJECT

By Kathy Lauer-Williams



tion. She seems to have developed a taste for it but you don't want to reinforce doing things online," added panelist Mike Daniels.

Raftas suggested that she contact other students online since she'd more comfortable that way, and set up times to meet in person at school.

"She still will be texting and connecting online. That's not being completely replaced. She will just be adding the face-to-face piece," said panelist Chad Stefanyak.

"High school is a time to learn new skills. Struggles are part of the learning experience and you can't keep a child from ever experiencing difficulties. This a character-building situation and she will eventually be a senior, go to college or start work," Raftas said.

"She is experiencing a change that is natural and needs to learn to do things on her own," agreed Daniels.

Stefanyak noted that online socialization allows students to edit comments and create a facade.

"She can't just avoid socializing in person. She needs to put herself out there," Stefanyak said.

"Avoidance isn't a good skill to get better at. Everyone has experienced change and pain during this time and has worked through them," Raftas said.

She recommended checking with a doctor and have the daughter screened for Attention-Deficit-Hyperactivity Disorder.

"If the skills aren't there, there might be something else going on," Raftas said.

This week's panel: Pam Wallace, program coordinator, Project Child, a program of Valley Youth House; Chad Stefanyak, school counselor; Joanne T. Raftas,

registered play therapist and counselor, and Mike Daniels, LCSW, Psychotherapist.

Have a question? Email: projectchild@projectchildlv.org

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Survival rates increasing for leukemia

Q. When I was a kid, a diagnosis of leukemia was tantamount to a death sentence. It seems that this isn't the case anymore. Is my perception right?

Your perception is accurate. Advances in research and treatment of leukemia are increasing survival rates and improving the quality of life of people with this disease.

In the early 1960s, a diagnosis of leukemia meant the patient had a 14 percent chance of living five years.

Today, the National Cancer Institute reports that leukemia makes up about 3.2 percent of all cancer types in the United States. Experts expect about 61,000 new cases to be diagnosed in 2021 with almost 24,000 deaths.

Leukemia means "white blood" in Greek. If you get leukemia, your bone marrow (the soft material inside bones) makes abnormal white blood cells that block production of normal white blood

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cells, which you need to battle infections. Leukemia cells also interfere with the red blood cells that distribute oxygen throughout your body, and platelets, which help your blood to clot.

Leukemia symptoms include: fevers or chills, night sweats, frequent infections, weakness or fatigue, shortness of breath, headache, bleeding, bruising easily, bone pain, swelling or discomfort in the abdomen (from an enlarged spleen), swollen lymph nodes, especially in the neck or armpit, weight loss, and tiny red marks on the skin.

These symptoms are not sure signs of leukemia. An infection or another problem also could cause these symptoms. Anyone with these symptoms should see a doctor as soon as possible. Only a doctor can

diagnose and treat the problem.

Leukemia affects all ages and sexes. The two basic types of leukemia are acute and chronic.

Acute leukemia develops quickly. Chronic leukemia develops slowly and usually occurs during or after middle age.

Leukemia is also categorized by the type of white blood cell that is affected. There are four common types of leukemia:

Chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL). Most people diagnosed with this form of the disease are over age 55. CLL almost never attacks children.

Chronic myeloid leukemia (CML), which primarily affects adults.

Acute lymphocytic leukemia (ALL), which is the most common type of leukemia in young children. It can also affect adults.

Acute myeloid leukemia (AML), which occurs in both adults and children.

No one knows the exact causes of leukemia.

The following are some known risk factors for the disease: very high levels of radiation, exposure to high levels of benzene or formaldehyde, chemotherapy, Down syndrome, and myelodysplastic syndrome, a blood disease.

Most people who have known risk factors do not get leukemia. On the other hand, many who do get the disease have none of these risk factors.

Leukemia is treated with chemotherapy that uses drugs to kill leukemia cells; biological therapy (also known as immunotherapy) that uses substances to build up your immune system; radiation therapy that employs high-energy rays to kill leukemia cells; transplanted stem cells that develop into new blood cells, and bone-marrow transplant to replace diseased bone marrow with leukemia-free marrow.

Many people with acute leukemia can be cured. However, chronic leukemia can seldom be cured. Patients may receive maintenance therapy to help keep the cancer in remission.

Have a question? Email: fred@healthygeez.com.

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refers to the fact that immature and mature needles of the Norfolk Island Pine are shaped differently from each other. Juvenile leaves are needle-like and curve down; adult leaves are more scale-like and overlap.

Norfolk Island Pines grow on seaside cliffs and interior rainforests in the temperate South Pacific. This gives us clues as to what kind of environment is favorable for them in our homes.

Temperature: It's important to note, that unlike pine trees in the landscape, Norfolk Island Pines cannot be kept outdoors year-round in Pennsylvania. The minimum temperature that

they can withstand is around 50 degrees Fahrenheit. They prefer a nighttime temperature that is about 10 degrees colder than daytime.

Light: Place Norfolk Island Pines near a bright window. Avoid northern exposure, which will result in the least amount of light. If you place them outdoors in summer, they will grow well in full sun, but would benefit from some shade in the afternoon.

Water and fertilizer: Water Norfolk Island Pines when the surface of the soil seems dry to the touch. The soil should not be constantly saturated. You may fertilize Norfolk Island Pines when you see them pushing new growth but sparing use of fertilizer will keep the plant compact.

Humidity: Best humidity level would be above 50 percent, which is difficult to achieve in homes, especially in winter. Misting and placing the plant on a tray of wet pebbles do not measurably raise humidity levels. Keep the plant away from a forced-air vent in winter. Grouping it with other plants may help increase humidity a little. Using a humidifier or growing Norfolk Island Pines in a greenhouse would be ideal.

Soil and repotting: Experts recommend amending potting soil with a small percentage of sand and peat moss. Plants should be repotted every three or four years when roots become visible above the surface of the soil.

Concerns: Norfolk

Island Pines are not especially plagued by pests but may become unsightly for other reasons. They can develop a permanent bend in the trunk. This can be avoided by rotating the plant weekly.

Browning and dropping lower branches are also common problems. This may be caused by low humidity. Regular watering can help stave this off. Excessive fertilizer can also cause branches to drop.

Pruning: Pruning is not generally recommended. You may cut off dead branches or tips of branches to tidy up the tree's appearance, but pruning will not result in a flush of new growth, which you may have experienced with deciduous plants.

Given the tree's propensity to grow to a great

height in its natural environment, at some point you may find yourself wondering if you can cut the tree back before it goes through the roof. This may be the time to compost your Norfolk Island Pine and start over.

Decorating: You may have bought or received the plant decorated for the winter holidays. Since the branches are soft, use lightweight ornaments. If you decorate with lights, use a string of LEDs, which will not give off heat.

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ASSEMBLY OF GOD	EVANGELICAL FREE	HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH	CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH	FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EMMAUS	UNITED CH. OF CHRIST	GRACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
NORTHAMPTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD 3449 Cherryville Road Northampton 610-262-5645 www.NAOG.ws Sunday School 10 a.m. Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer & Bible 7 p.m.	GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH 7343 Gun Club Road New Tripoli 610-298-8028 Rev. Sean Roche Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. www.gcnet.org	HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH 4131 Lehigh Drive, P.O. Box 1030 Cherryville (610) 767-7203 www.hopecherryville.org The Rev. Jami Possinger, Pastor Worship: Sunday, 8 a.m. in the building, masks req., & 10:30 a.m. in the parking lot Handicap Access. & Air Cond. People of Hope, working together, with God, to love & serve others.	CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH 1245 W. Hamilton St Allentown PA 18102 610-433-4271 In person worship - 10:30 a.m. Zoom worship - 10:30 a.m. See our website for more information www.christ-atown.org	FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EMMAUS N. 2nd & Cherokee Sts. Emmaus 610-967-5600 Rev. Rebecca Mallozzi 10:00 a.m. Worship Live Streaming Available on our Website www.faithchurchemmaus.org office@faithchurchemmaus.org	JORDAN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 1837 Church Road, Allentown (Corner of 309 & Walbert Ave.) jordanucc.org 610-395-2218 Rev. Dr. David Charles Smith, Pastor 8 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Services 9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages Sat., Dec. 18, Noon: Wreaths Across America Ceremony	GRACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 902 Lincoln Ave. Northampton, PA 18067 GraceUCCChurch.com 610-262-7186 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Handicap Accessible
VALLEY CHURCH	LUTHERAN	JERUSALEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF EASTERN SALISBURY	UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HOKENDAUQUA	ZIEGEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST	CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD U.C.C.
VALLEY CHURCH Meets in Roxy Theater, 2004 Main St., Northampton 610-984-4904 Pastor Phil Miller 10 a.m. Every Sunday Refreshments	THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT 3461 Cedar Crest Blvd. Emmaus, PA 18049 610-967-2220 Rev. Richard H. Elliott, Sr. Pastor Rev. Spencer Steele, Assoc. Pastor Rev. Tami K. Reichley, Assoc. Pastor Join us Sundays under the Tent (in person) and on Zoom 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Family Service (under the tent) Services held rain or shine Masks & Social Distancing Visit lchsemmaus.org for more info.	JERUSALEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF EASTERN SALISBURY 1707 Church Road Allentown, PA 18103 610-797-6933 Rev. Kathleen Coleman 8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship	UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH 5500 Rt. 873 Schnecksville 610-767-6884 9 a.m. Sunday Worship Visit ulclv.org for worship video	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HOKENDAUQUA 3005 S. Front Street Whitehall, PA 18052 610-264-9693 Rev. Christine Kass Worship 10 a.m. Live Streaming on Facebook.com/hokeypres Email: hokeypres@gmail.com Web: www.hokeypres.org	ZIEGEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 9990 Ziegels Church Road Breinigsville, PA 18031 Phone: 610-285-6157 Rev. Dr. Larry Pickens www.ziegelschurch.org 8:30 a.m. Indoor Worship 10 a.m. Sunday School Online worship on Facebook and YouTube Handicapped Accessible	CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD U.C.C. 135 Quarry Rd., Alburtis 610-966-2991 Pastor, Rev. Matthew Gorkos Sunday School, 9 a.m. Worship, 10:30 a.m. Also Live On Facebook
BAPTIST	FAITH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH	ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH	EMMAUS MORAVIAN CHURCH	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM	ST. JOHN'S U.C.C. FULLERTON	BETHANY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
LEHIGH VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH 4702 Colebrook Ave. Emmaus 610-965-4700 Pastor Roland Hammett Bible Discovery Groups, S.S. 9 a.m. Sunday 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. Prayer Mtg. 7 p.m. www.lvbaptist.org	FAITH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH 3355 MacArthur Road Whitehall, PA 18052 (610) 435-0451 The Rev. Thomas D. Busted, Pastor 8 & 10:30 a.m. In Person Worship with Livestreaming 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Sunday School, Bible Babies, Adult Forum, Confirmation Class email prayer requests to FaithLutheranWhitehall.org Handicapped Accessible Hearing Devices Available	ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH 18 S. Third St., Coplay 610-262-6171 Worship, 10:30 a.m. in sanctuary Sunday School, 9 to 10 a.m. Masks & social distancing enforced for Sunday School & Worship Worship Service on Facebook Live www.stjohnscoplay.com	EMMAUS MORAVIAN CHURCH 146 Main St., Emmaus, PA 18049 610-965-6067 Rev. Brian Dixon, Pastor 10 a.m. in person Outdoor 10 a.m. In Person Indoor Worship Masks required Updates/zoom info available at www.emmausmoravian.org	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM Services in-person and on Facebook 9 a.m. Contemporary 11:15 a.m. Traditional Details at fpc-bethlehem.org Rev. J.C. Austin Rev. Lindsey Altwater Clifton, Assoc. Pastor, Formation & Justice	ST. JOHN'S U.C.C. FULLERTON 575 Grape Street, Whitehall 18052 Rev. David Quinn, Visitation Pastor Rev. Steve Davis, Pastor 9:30 a.m. Worship with masks 610-264-8421 Live Streaming Service: Visit Website: https://stjohnsuccfullerton.org/stjohnsucc.pastor@ron.com	BETHANY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 601 W. Market St., Bethlehem 610-868-4441 www.uccbethany.org Pastor Todd Fennell 10:45 a.m. Worship "Come Worship With Us"
HERITAGE BAPTIST CHURCH OF SCHNECKSVILLE	WEISENBERG LUTHERAN CHURCH	NATIVITY LUTHERAN CHURCH	JACOB'S CHURCH	QUAKERS	CHRIST'S CHURCH AT LOWHILL UCC	EBENEZER U.C.C.
HERITAGE BAPTIST CHURCH OF SCHNECKSVILLE 3749 Route 309 North Orefield, 610-395-4970 Luke Rex, Pastor Sunday Services 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wed. Service 7:30 p.m.	WEISENBERG LUTHERAN CHURCH 7645 Weisenberg Church Rd. New Tripoli, PA 18066 610-298-2437 Worship, 9 a.m. With Pastor Jerel Gade On Facebook Live www.weisenbergchurch.org Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.	NATIVITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 4004 Tilghman St. 610-395-5062 Rev. Matthew Hacker 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 8 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Check Website for Saturday service times www.nativityallentown.org Live Streaming on Facebook	JACOB'S CHURCH Route 143, Jacksonville, PA Rev. Scott L. Shay, Pastor 610-756-6352 Adult Church School 9 a.m. Family Worship 10:15 a.m. Nursery Available Bible Study Wed. 7:30 p.m. Handicapped Accessible	QUAKERS LEHIGH VALLEY FRIENDS MEETING 4116 Bath Pike, Bethlehem, PA 1/2 mi. North of US 22 on PA 512 610-691-3411 L.V. Monthly Meeting (Quakers) Meeting for Worship, 9:30 a.m. In person and Virtual Worship offered Everyone Welcome! For more info. and to attend virtual Worship visit website www.lehighvalleyquakers.org	CHRIST'S CHURCH AT LOWHILL UCC 4695 Lowhill Church Rd., New Tripoli, PA 18066 10 a.m. In Person Weekly Worship Via Facebook Live or Lowhill Church YouTube christchurchatlowhill.org 251th Anniversary Year!	EBENEZER U.C.C. Route 143, New Tripoli 610-298-8000 Pastor Wally Frisch Sunday School, 9 a.m. all ages Worship, 10:15 a.m. or on Facebook live All Are Welcome!
BIBLE FELLOWSHIP	GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH	JORDAN LUTHERAN CHURCH	MOUNTAIN VIEW BIBLE CHURCH	SHARED MINISTRY	ST. JOHN'S UCC MICKLEY'S	ST. PETER'S LYNNVILLE UCC
WHITEHALL BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH 3300 Seventh Street Whitehall, 610-434-8661 www.WhitehallBFC.org Timothy Schmoyer, Sr. Pastor 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:15a.m. Morning Worship 6 p.m. Bible Study	GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH 28 W. Main St. Macungie In Person & Livestream Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School, 9:15 a.m. Call church office for more info. Rev. Samantha Drennan 610-966-3325 www.gracemacungie.org	JORDAN LUTHERAN CHURCH 5103 Snowdrift Road Orefield 610-395-5912 The Rev. Dody Siegfried 9:15 a.m. Worship (in person) Handicap Acc./Hearing Devices Avail. Also Streaming on Facebook or at www.jordanlutheran.org	MOUNTAIN VIEW BIBLE CHURCH We Embrace the Grace of Jesus! Meeting Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. 7345 PA-309, New Tripoli, PA Pastor Jeff Barbieri (484)633-0889 mountainviewbiblechurch.com	SHARED MINISTRY HEIDELBERG UNION CHURCH Irvin & Church Roads Slatington near Saegersville 610-767-4740 REV. RASHION SANTIAGO, INTERIM PASTOR 10 a.m. In person Worship Service Or via Facebook Live, Zoom, or Dial In. Call office for details to link in. 9 a.m. Faith Formation Meets "Come Worship With Us"	ST. JOHN'S UCC MICKLEY'S 2918 MacArthur Rd., Whitehall Int. MacArthur & Eberhardt Rd. 610-821-8725 stjohnsuccmickleys.org Rev. Virginia Schlegel 10:30 a.m. (In Person) Worship All Are Welcome Here!	ST. PETER'S LYNNVILLE UCC 5129 Schochary Road New Tripoli, PA 610-298-8064 Worship 9:30 a.m. Handicapped Accessible All Welcome!
CHARIS FELLOWSHIP	LV GRACE BRETHREN	FAITH WESLEYAN CHURCH	WESLEYAN	FAITH WESLEYAN CHURCH	FAITH WESLEYAN CHURCH	FAITH WESLEYAN CHURCH
LV GRACE BRETHREN 580 Bridle Path Rd. Bethlehem, Pa. 18017 610-868-0004 www.lv gbc.org Worship, Sunday 10AM	FAITH WESLEYAN CHURCH 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 facebook.com/Faith-Wesleyan-Church-Orefield-PA	WESLEYAN	FAITH WESLEYAN CHURCH 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 facebook.com/Faith-Wesleyan-Church-Orefield-PA	FAITH WESLEYAN CHURCH 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 facebook.com/Faith-Wesleyan-Church-Orefield-PA	FAITH WESLEYAN CHURCH 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 facebook.com/Faith-Wesleyan-Church-Orefield-PA	FAITH WESLEYAN CHURCH 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 facebook.com/Faith-Wesleyan-Church-Orefield-PA

ST. ANN SCHOOL Donation received from scholarship foundation

CONTRIBUTED ARTICLE

As part of its philanthropic efforts, Equinox Benefits Consulting donated \$25,000 to the Eastern Pennsylvania Scholarship Foundation to be used for educational scholarships in the Diocese of Allentown's K-8 schools.

A donation was presented Nov. 22 by Equinox CEO Tom Groves to Diocesan representatives at St. Ann School in Emmaus, one of the schools set to receive a portion of the company's total gift.

The donation is made possible through Equinox's participation in Pennsylvania's Education Improvement Tax Credit Program.

Those attending the presentation included Groves, St. Ann Principal Diana Kile, Diocese of Allentown Director of Scholarships John Fierro, as well as Mason Maxell and Luke and Lilyana Ulicny, children of Equinox team members Nick Maxell, benefit consultant and Adam Ulicny, director of client engagement.



ABOVE: From left, back row, Nick Maxell, Tom Groves, Diana Kile, John Fierro and Adam Ulicny; front row, Mason Maxell, Luke Ulicny and Lilyana Ulicny participate in a donation presentation to benefit educational scholarships in Diocese of Allentown K-8 schools held Nov. 22.

LEFT: Tom Groves, CEO of Equinox Benefits Consulting, Diana Kile, principal of St. Ann School, Emmaus and John Fierro, director of scholarships, gather for a photo at a presentation of a \$25,000 donation to benefit educational scholarships in the Diocese of Allentown schools.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS

Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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Difficulty Level ★★★

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

Answer to previous puzzle

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

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PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF MEETINGS

The following is a list of meeting schedules for calendar year 2022. All meetings will be held in Borough Hall, 941 Long Street, Fountain Hill, PA:

2022 COUNCIL MEETINGS: First Monday of each month @ 7:00 pm;
Third Wednesday of each month @ 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

Jan. 3-Reorgan. Mtg	July 5- Independence Day- alternate date
January 19	July 20
February 7	August 1
February 16	August 24
March 7	September 6 - Labor Day- alternate date
March 23	September 21
April 4	October 3
April 20	October 19
May 2	November 7
May 18	November 16
June 6	December 5
June 22	December 21

Planning Commission: Second Monday of each month @ 7 p.m. as needed.

January 10	July 11
February 14	August 8
March 14	September 12
April 11	October 10
May 9	November 14
June 13	December 12

Zoning Hearing Board: Third Monday of each month @ 7 p.m. as needed.

January 17	July 18
February 22- President's Day (alternate)	August 15
March 21	September 19
April 18	October 17
May 11	November 21
June 20	December 19

Stormwater Authority: Second Wednesday of each month @ 6 p.m. as needed.

January 12	July 13
February 9	August 10
March 9	September 14
April 13	October 12
May 11	November 9
June 8	December 14

Committee Meetings: as needed

Police Committee - First Monday starting at 5:45
Finance, Public Works Personnel, House & Ordinance: First Wednesday of each month starting at 5:30 p.m.
Fire, Health & Sanitation, Recreation - Third Wednesday of each month starting at 5:30 p.m.
Dec. 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
ZONING HEARING BOARD AGENDA

Notice is hereby given that the Borough of Emmaus Zoning Hearing Board will meet on Tuesday, December 28, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. via Zoom to hear the following appeal:

https://zoom.us/join
Meeting ID: 835 0713 8339
Passcode: 024416

APPEAL 10607- 300 FURNACE STREET, LLC. 2227 ALBRIGHT AVE. ALLENTOWN, PA 18104 and 555 HARRISON STREET, LLC PO BOX 386 EMMAUS, PA 18049 for 300 FURNACE ST. & 326 S. 2ND ST. EMMAUS, PA 18049. Applicants propose to construct four mid-rise apartments and a clubhouse on the above noted properties. Applicants request: 1) an interpretation that prior decision 10556 would allow four 36-unit mid-rise apartment buildings, 2) to modify prior decision 10556 to allow four 36-unit mid-rise apartment buildings, 3) a special exception to Z.O. 601.2.B(2) to allow clubhouse parking to be shared with apartment parking. Sites are located in an R-HO zoning district.

Robert Hammond - Zoning Officer

Dec. 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Borough of Emmaus will receive sealed bids for the Borough Hall and Central Fire & Ambulance Station Environmental Abatement Project in the form of SINGLE prime lump sum contract.

Bids are due at the temporary offices of Emmaus Borough Hall, 420 S 10th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049 no later than 3:00 p.m. prevailing time on Tuesday, January 11, 2022, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read.

A MANDATORY pre-bid conference will be conducted on Thursday, December 23, 2021, at 1:00 PM at the Emmaus Borough Hall, 28 S 4th Street, Emmaus PA 18049. Representatives of the Owner (D'Huy Engineering, Inc.) and Environmental Abatement Consultant (Element Environmental Solutions, Inc.) will provide project details at this meeting. Non-attendees will not be permitted to bid.

Electronic Contract Documents: In order to Bid the Project(s), prospective bidders must obtain Bid/Contract Documents in electronic format (PDF) via e-mailed link upon request to D'Huy Engineering, Inc., 1 East Broad Street, Suite 310, Bethlehem, PA 18018, 610-865-3000, and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). Checks shall be made payable to "D'Huy Engineering, Inc." Documents will be sent electronically after receipt of payment. Bidders must supply the following information with their request for documents: Company name, contact person, complete address, phone and fax numbers, and email address. Documents will be available on Friday, December 10, 2021.

SHANE PEPE
BOROUGH MANAGER

Dec. 8, 15, 22

CRYPTOGRAM

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: L equals W

See solutions on Page B10

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

"MM, GOOD!"
ACROSS

- Kiddie-lit elephant
- Seder bread
- Warren in the Pro Football Hall of Fame
- Numbered work of a composer
- "I'd love to help"
- Fictional town in an Edgar Lee Masters title
- Intensify, with "up"
- Aged female horse that has won lots of singing awards?
- Dog food brand
- Flimsy
- Hive swarm
- "Lie Down With Lions" novelist Ken
- Romanov royal
- fi film
- Michael of "Superbad"
- Stephen of the screen
- Time when everybody turned down their radios all at once?
- v. Wade
- Aussie critter
- Soporific drug
- Electrolysis particles
- Reading quickly in the Scandinavian manner?
- Novelist Stout
- Hammer or Spade
- History topic
- Hot tub sigh
- Tranquility
- Brainchild
- Big meeting to discuss protective metal gear?
- Foot the bill
- A-bomb, e.g.
- "— dare?"
- Lilly
- "Tamerlane" poet
- Cold, damp park birds?
- Declare
- Apia locale
- Elton John's '70s label
- Figure skater Midori —
- Bet to win and place
- Cloning stuff
- Was an overly aggressive barber?
- Cato's "to be"
- alla Scala
- Intensify, with "up"
- Antique auto
- Trouncing in a number-adding contest?
- Bullring call
- Balcony box
- "Send help!"
- Medflux rival
- Medium for burning data
- Pork serving
- Of sentence units
- Cork's land

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- Decreed to be the most prudish?
- Observes
- Computer programming output
- More skillful
- Chances
- Covered with bathroom rolls, slangily
- Outback food
- Fliers' homes

DOWN

- Strike with the horns
- Court champ Arthur
- Lead-in to "done that"
- "Eek!"
- Add ammo to
- Emails or texts: Abbr.
- Wet mo.
- Come — halt
- Body not staying at rest?
- "My treat!"
- Family in computer games
- DuVernay of "Queen Sugar"
- Flawless
- Request in advance, in a way
- Spoken exam
- Sicily's capital
- A gazillion
- Brief plugs for political candidates

- Bread variety
- Lube (STP alternative)
- Chou En- —
- Add fuel to
- Groups on church risers
- The Plame affair, informally
- Hammer or spade
- 52-wk. units
- Dad's partner
- Longtime wire svc.
- Moses' peak
- Seltzer, e.g.
- ICU VIPs
- Imbiber's hwy. offense
- "— be nice if ..."
- Like taffy
- Bea Arthur sitcom
- Air-testing gp.
- Hispanic "hello"
- Intensify, with "up"
- Loving sound
- Previous to, poetically
- 12-hour clock toggle
- Lowling sound
- Fluid dram fraction
- "Hawaii —"
- (Jack Lord series)
- Acer offerings
- Styled after
- Orange tuber
- Say aloud for transcription
- Net access provider
- Groom, e.g.

- "The Dance" singer Brooks
- Canned heat
- Good Grips brand
- Nursery cry
- Dramatist Clifford
- Merry-go-rounds
- Not kosher
- Hurry-scurry
- For free
- Furious state
- Spill cleaner
- Sony products
- 1962 Paul Anka hit
- Tarnished
- Tarnished
- Chinese soup
- Sort
- Facet
- "Surprised to run into you!"
- University in Greenville, South Carolina
- In a blazing brandy sauce
- Fed Eliot
- Ace or queen
- Fruit drink brand
- Tip jar bills
- Nursery school, briefly
- Play — (perform some songs)
- Env. items
- Receivable
- John in court cases
- High-tech organizer

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PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

To satisfy the owner's storage lien, PS Orange Co. Inc. will sell at public lien sale on December 22, 2021, the personal property in the below-listed occupants' leased spaces, which may include but are not limited to: household and personal items, office and other equipment. The public sale of these items will begin at 10:00 AM and continue until all units are sold.

PUBLIC STORAGE # 24516, 2977 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, (484) 408-6691
Time: 10:00 AM

B0021 - Cintron, Tatiana; D0101 - Matos, Carmen; D2182 - Ellis, Emami; D2191 - Small, Perry; D2248 - Hall, Kya; E0308 - Wright, Sarah; F0500 - Reyes, Jerry; F0519 - Heimbach, Jesse; F6175 - Colon, Maria; F6295 - Watson, Henry; G0749 - Rivera, Aisha

Public sale terms, rules, and regulations will be made available prior to the sale. All sales are subject to cancellation. We reserve the right to refuse any bid. Payment must be in cash or credit card-no checks. Buyers must secure the units with their own personal locks. To claim tax-exempt status, original RESALE certificates for each space purchased is required. By PS Orangeco, Inc., 701 Western Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201. (818) 244-8080.
Dec. 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
INVITATION TO BID

The Whitehall-Coplay School District requests sealed bids at the office of the Business Manager, in its administrative offices at 2940 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, Pennsylvania 18052 at or before 1:00 PM on Wednesday, January 12, 2022, (the "Bid Deadline"), when they will be publicly opened, for:

Up To Three (3) 78-Passenger School Buses
One (1) 48-Passenger Wheelchair School Bus
Up To Three (3) 30-Passenger School Buses
In accordance with, and subject to, the General Conditions, Specifications, and other Contract Documents (as listed in the General Conditions), which interested persons may obtain at the administrative offices of Whitehall-Coplay School District, by phoning (610) 439-1431 weekdays between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., by emailing malaym@whitehallcoplay.org, or by accessing the business office page of the Whitehall-Coplay School District website, www.whitehallcoplay.org.

By Order of the Board of School Directors
Whitehall-Coplay School District

J. Michael Malay, Jr., CPA
Business Manager
Dec. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Township of Salisbury will receive sealed bids electronically via the PennBid Program for the construction of Contract "A" - Water Main Replacement projects consisting of Project "A" South 25th Street (East Texas Blvd. to 24th Street [SR 2007]), Project "B" Flexer Avenue (Green Acres Drive to East Texas Blvd.) and Project "C" South Main Street (East Texas Blvd. to South Whitehall Township Boundary Line) and Contract "B" - Sanitary Sewer Repair project in South 25th Street between Manhole 112 to Manhole 126. The work involves replacement of approximately 2,800 linear feet of 8-inch and 12-inch ductile iron water main, 60 service laterals and appurtenances, including the spot repair of approximately 40 linear feet of an 8-inch sanitary sewer main. Bids will be received until 2:00 PM (prevailing time) on Friday, January 21, 2022. Bid results will be made available on PennBid after bid opening/review.

Copies of the Specifications/Bid Forms are available at no cost on PennBid (<https://PennBid.ProcureWare.com>).

Each bid must be accompanied by bid security made payable to the Township of Salisbury in an amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid price and in the form of a certified or bank check or a Bid Bond issued by a surety meeting the requirements of Paragraph 6.01 of the General Conditions. This project is subject to minimum wage rates in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act and the Public Works Employee Verification Act. Upper Macungie Township reserves the right to waive any informality in, and/or to reject, any or all bids.

Township of Salisbury
Cathy Bonaskewich - Township Manager
Dec. 15, 22

PUBLIC NOTICE
LOWHILL TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The Lowhill Township Board of Supervisors will hold their Reorganization Meeting on Monday January 4, 2022 at 6:30 pm, followed immediately by the January Board Meeting. The Auditors meeting will be on Tuesday January 5, 2022 at 7:00 pm. All will be held at the Municipal Building at 7000 Herber Road New Tripoli, Pa 18066

Jill Seymour, Municipal Secretary
Lowhill Township, 2nd Class

Dec. 15

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lowhill Township Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a public hearing on **Tuesday, December 21, 2021, starting at 7:00 P.M.** being held physically at the Fogelsville Fire Company - Banquet Hall at 7850 Lime Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051 (still a COVID-19/Zoom hearing), so limited attendees (socially distanced) at the Fogelsville Fire Company - Banquet Hall. The Zoning Hearing Board will consider the following Appeal:

Case No. -2021-6, Appeal No. 182. A hearing in the Appeal of Applicant, CRG Acquisition, LLC (equitable owner pursuant to an Agreement of Sale with existing Owner, George W. Wessner, Jr. and Cheree Wessner of 7129 Country Spring Road, New Tripoli, PA 18066), seeking zoning relief for a variance from Section 544 of the Lowhill Township Zoning Ordinance in the RV Zone and subject to the EP Environmental Protection Overlay for relief from the maximum height of thirty-five (35) feet with centralized water and on-lot sewage, but fifty (50) feet if centralized water and sewer is provided. Applicant proposes centralized water, but proposes that they cannot provide public sewer, so a variance is requested from Section 544 to permit a fifty (50) foot high building as outlined in the Application. The variance will exceed the maximum height requirement of Ordinance Section 544, and a variance from said Section is the requested relief. Additionally, Applicant appeals the November 12, 2021 Zoning Officer's (Brian Carl) correspondence regarding Area #1 and Area #2 with regard to the alleged/proposed disturbance of steep slopes and the impact of the EP Environmental Protection Overlay. In the alternate, from appealing the Zoning Officer correspondence, an alternate interpretation from the Zoning Hearing Board whether or not Area #1 and Area #2 as depicted in the application require or are affected by the EP Environmental Protection Overlay, and a third alternate to the extent necessary, a variance from Section 810 Permitted Uses and 870 Steep Slope Portion of the EPD. The subject property is owned by George W. Wessner, Jr. and Cheree Wessner, 7129 Country Spring Road, New Tripoli, PA 18066. The Applicant, CRG Acquisition, LLC, who is the equitable owner pursuant to an Agreement of Sale with the location of the property being 2951 Betz Court, Orefield, PA 18069 in Lowhill Township within the Rural Village (RV) Zoning District.

The parcel identified for the Owner is 2951 Betz Court, Orefield, Lowhill Township, Lehigh County, PA 18069 with a mailing address of 7129 Country Spring Road, New Tripoli, PA 18066-2436, identified as PIN 5457257554291 (Document ID 2016002852).

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

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

NEIL D. ETTINGER, SOLICITOR
LOWHILL TOWNSHIP
ZONING HEARING BOARD

Dec. 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
ATTENTION BOROUGH OF EMMAS RESIDENTS
IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATERENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA)
LIFETIME HEALTH ADVISORY EXCEEDENCE

ESTE INFORME CONTIENE INFORMACION IMPORTANTE ACERCA DE SUE AGUA POTABLE. HAGÁ QUE ALGUIEN LO TRADUZCA PARA USTED, O HABLE CON ALGUIEN QUE LO ENTIENDA.

The Borough of Emmaus has levels of Perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) / Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) above EPA Lifetime Health Advisory Levels

Our water system recently exceeded an EPA Lifetime Health Advisory Level for PFOS / PFOA. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our customers and our residents, you have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct this situation.

Testing results that were received on October 21, 2021, show that our system exceeds EPA Lifetime Health Advisory Level for PFOS / PFOA. The Lifetime Advisory Level for PFOS / PFOA is 70 parts per trillion (70 ng/L). PFOS / PFOA levels exceeding this level were found at both Well #1 and Well #2 within the Borough. Both wells share the same aquifer. Well #1 tested at a slightly elevated level of 111 ng/L per tests conducted by the Borough. Well #2 tested at 456.4 ng/L per tests conducted by PA DEP and at 700 ng/L per tests conducted by the Borough.

What should I do?

You do not need to use an alternative (e.g. bottled) water supply, per PA DEP, as these chemicals are not currently regulated chemicals for water supply systems. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

What does this mean?

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. However, exposure to PFOS and PFOA over certain levels may result in adverse health effects, including developmental effects to fetuses during pregnancy or to breastfed infants (e.g. low birth weight, accelerated puberty, skeletal variations), cancer (e.g. testicular, kidney), liver effects (e.g. tissue damage), immune effects (e.g. antibody production and immunity), thyroid effects, and other effects (e.g. cholesterol changes). The EPA calculates health advisory levels to offer a margin of protection against adverse health effects to the most sensitive populations: fetuses during pregnancy and breastfed infants.

What are PFOS and PFOA?

PFOS and PFOA are chemicals that are part of a larger group referred to as perfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). These chemicals are manmade and do not occur naturally in the environment. Because these chemicals have been used in a number of consumer products, most people have been exposed to them. PFAS often shows up on items such as wild caught fish, dust particles, food that was packaged in different types of containers (such as popcorn), cleaning products, stain resistant carpet, water repellant clothing, non-stick cookware, fast food wrappers, pizza boxes, candy wrappers, and even certain plastic containers you drink from. The chemical stability of PFOS and PFOA also makes them very persistent to the environment. As is the case in the Borough's situation, PFOS is also contained in firefighting foam.

What happened? What was done?

The aquifer that feeds Well #1 and Well #2 is directly adjacent to the Borough's Fire Training Facility. Well #2 is located directly adjacent to the facility. The facility has hosted firefighting training for fire departments across Lehigh County for approximately 5 decades. Over the years, firefighting foam was commonly used to extinguish fires during training and practice. As is the case in most instances, PFOS was not a knowingly harmful product. It was not until three years ago that fire departments were informed that PFOS was a harmful agent to water sources. At that time the Borough immediately stopped using this type of foam and prohibited its use at the Fire Training Grounds. However, the Borough was advised that we should keep the foam on hand in case of a large fire. Therefore, we continued to store extra foam at our facility, until recently. It is important to note that this is the first time the wells have tested at elevated levels for these chemicals.

The Borough of Emmaus is continuing to work with PA DEP to address the elevated PFOS/PFOA levels. Initial steps included the immediate shut down of Well #2, issuance of Public Notification, and continued monitoring of PFOS/PFOA levels in the drinking water. The next steps include the development of a feasibility study which will evaluate permanent solutions to address the elevated PFOS/PFOA levels, including but not limited to: potential interconnections with neighboring Public Water Systems, water treatment proposals capable of PFOS/PFOA removal, and the potential development of additional sources. Following the study, the Borough of Emmaus will seek an Emergency Public Water System Permit to address the chosen solution of the study.

Because Well #2 is a crucial part of the Borough's water system, the Borough cannot sustain shutting the well down for an extended period of time. Emmaus Borough Council, at its meeting on November 15, 2021, voted to purchase a Calgon 10 Carbon Model 10 absorption system that is designed for the removal of dissolved organic contaminants from liquids using granular activated carbon. The system is particularly designed to remove pollutants, including PFAS chemicals. The Borough is purchasing this system at a cost of approximately \$400,000. In addition, yearly maintenance costs of about \$35,000 will occur to replace the carbon bed each year. Borough Council also voted to dispose of the remaining foam in storage. The Household Hazardous Waste contractor has been contracted to dispose of it at a cost of approximately \$30,275. Replacement foam that does not contain the PFAS material has been purchased for use on the firetrucks. The Borough is currently working with PA DEP to obtain an emergency permit to install the carbon absorption system.

The Borough will continue to monitor both wells and test them quarterly, even after the purchase of the new carbon absorption system. If the level of Well #1 continues to be elevated, the Borough will explore all options to take corrective action. Well #2 will continue to be offline until the carbon system is purchased.

For more information, please contact the Director of Public Works or Borough Manager at 610-965-9292.

Shane M. Pepe, Emmaus Borough Manager

Dec. 15

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to state law, the following is a list of occupants from the **AIRPORT ROAD SELF STORAGE INC.**, 7249 Airport Road, Bath, PA 18014, who will have the contents of their respective space sold to satisfy the owner's lien.
David Russo - Unit #304

Dec. 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Upper Macungie Township Board of Supervisors will conduct a Reorganization Meeting on Monday, January 3, 2022 at 6:30 p.m., which will be followed by a General Business Meeting at 7:00 p.m., at the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031.

Kalman Sostarecz
Township Secretary

Dec. 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUEST FOR BIDS
LOCKDOWN SHADES

The Bethlehem Area School District will receive sealed bids in the Business Office, 1516 Sycamore St, Bethlehem, PA 18017, no later than **2:00 PM** prevailing time, **Friday, January 7, 2022**, at which time bids will be publicly opened. DETAILED SPECS ARE AVAILABLE AT www.basdschools.org or by email at purchasing@basdschools.org.

Dec. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Math Intervention Support Services

The Bethlehem Area School District will receive sealed proposals in the Business Office, 1516 Sycamore St, Bethlehem, PA 18017, no later than **1:00 PM** prevailing time, **Friday, January 7, 2022**, at which time RFPs will be publicly opened. DETAILED SPECS ARE AVAILABLE AT www.basdschools.org or by email at purchasing@basdschools.org.

Dec. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE

ESTATE OF Eleanor R. Kistler a/k/a Eleanor Ruth Kistler, Deceased, of Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County, 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 estate are requested to make immediate payment and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to: **Rodney J. Kistler, Executor**, c/o Daniel M. O'Donnell, Esquire, Maloney, Danyi & O'Donnell, 901 West Lehigh Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018.

Dec. 1, 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lower Macungie Township Board of Commissioners will hold a Workshop on December 20, 2021 at 6 p.m. both virtually and in person at the Township Building, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, PA 18062 and conduct such other business that may properly come before the Board. This is in place of the December 27, 2021 workshop, which was previously advertised. To attend virtually, the registration link to the meeting will be posted on the Township's home page at least three days prior to the meeting at www.lowermac.com. Virtual citizen participation will take place via the "Chat" window.

Dec. 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
To: Perspective Vendor
From: Borough of Emmaus
Re.: Request for Quotations, Office Trailer for
Emergency Services Personnel

Invitation to Bid

The Borough of Emmaus is purchasing an office trailer to be used for temporary office for our Emergency Services Personnel during the duration of a large renovation project at our Central Station. Sealed Bids for the purchase of an office trailer will be received to the Borough of Emmaus office at 420 S. 10th St. Emmaus, PA 18049 by the Emmaus Borough until 4 pm on December 30, 2021, and will be opened at that time. Please mark submitted bids with Office Trailer.

Bids shall be according to the bid specifications, which can be obtained from Borough Hall at 420 S. 10th St. Emmaus, PA 18049 or at <https://www.borough.emmaus.pa.us/>.

Bids will be effective for 60 calendar days from the bid opening date, December 30th, and may not be withdrawn during that period. The Borough of Emmaus reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Dec. 15, 22

PUBLIC NOTICE
CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS - BOARD MEETING DATES
JANUARY 2022 - DECEMBER 2022

In accordance with provisions of Act 175 of 1974, the School District must publish and advertise a schedule of Public School Board meetings for each calendar school year. The adopted schedule as listed below is for the calendar year beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022. School Board Meetings are scheduled for the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. prevailing time. The School District reserves the right to make changes in this schedule if circumstances require, (exceptions are so noted**)

During the Coronavirus pandemic period, certain meetings and/or public participation at those meetings may not be held in person at the District Administration Office Board Room but rather by remote connection, using a virtual meeting platform to allow for participation by all official board/committee members and any member of the public, including a mechanism for participants to submit questions and offer comments during the public portion of the meeting. Directions for connection to and participation in any public meeting not held in person before the public at the District Administration Office Board Room will be published on the School District's publicly accessible website, www.cattysd.org.

January	Board Meeting	January 11, 2022
February	Board Meeting	February 8, 2022
March	Board Meeting	March 8, 2022
April	Board Meeting	April 12, 2022
May	Board Meeting	May 10, 2022
June	Board Meeting	June 14, 2022
July	Board Meeting	July 12, 2022
August	Board Meeting	August 9, 2022
September	Board Meeting	September 13, 2022
October	Board Meeting	October 11, 2022
November **	Board Meeting	November 8, 2022
		Lehigh Career & Technical Institute 4500 Education Park, Schnecksville
December	Board Meeting and Reorganization	December 6, 2022 (first Tuesday of the week exception)

CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMMITTEE MEETING DATES
JANUARY 2022 - DECEMBER 2022

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DATE	COMMITTEES	MEETING TIMES
February 2, 2022	Buildings & Grounds Academics	4:00-5:00 p.m. 5:00-6:00 p.m.
May 4, 2022	Athletics Buildings & Grounds Academics	6:00-7:00 p.m. 4:00-5:00 p.m. 5:00-6:00 p.m.
August 3, 2022	Athletics Buildings & Grounds Academics	6:00-7:00 p.m. 3:00-4:00 p.m. 4:00-5:00 p.m.
November 2, 2022	Athletics Buildings & Grounds Academics	5:00-6:00 p.m. 4:00-5:00 p.m. 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Dec. 15

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the North Whitehall Township Board of Supervisors intends to appoint a certified public accounting firm to conduct the North Whitehall Township Fiscal Year 2021 Audit. Said appointment will take place at the February 7, 2022 Board of Supervisors' meeting, located in the Municipal Building, 3256 Levans Road, North Whitehall Township.

Brenda Norder, Secretary
North Whitehall Township

Dec. 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Certificate of Organization was filed on November 5, 2020 with the PA Department of State for **Sam and Sese LLC** in accordance with the provisions of the Limited Liability Company Law, Act of December 7, 1994.

Ronald E. Corkery, Esquire
352 Fifth Street, Suite A, Whitehall, PA 18052
(610) 437-9867.

Dec. 15

PUBLIC NOTICE

In order to satisfy its statutory lien pursuant to 73 P.S. §1901 et seq., the following facilities will sell at **PUBLIC SALE** all the personal property stored in its facilities located at Nazareth Self Storage 240 S Main St, Nazareth Pa 18064 **AT 10:00 AM, on December 29th, 2021, Auction will be hosted on storageauctions.com** Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, cancel or adjourn the sale

Customer Name Unit #

Lorraine A Aquino G122

Jessica Lachenmeyer G101

Anthony DiNapoli F215

Susan Palmer D213

Dec. 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE

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From: Borough of Emmaus
Re.: Request for Quotations, Housing Trailer for Emergency Services Personnel**

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Bids shall be according to the bid specifications, which can be obtained from Borough Hall at 420 S. 10th St. Emmaus, PA 18049 or at <https://www.borough.emmaus.pa.us/>.

Bids will be effective for 60 calendar days from the bid opening date, December 30th, and may not be withdrawn during that period. The Borough of Emmaus reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Dec. 15, 22

PUBLIC NOTICE
BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
OF EAST PENN SD
2022 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

The Board of School Directors of East Penn SD shall meet in-person in regular session in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 800 Pine Street, Emmaus, at 7:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday of each month, unless advertised otherwise.

January	10 & 24
February	14 & 28
March	14 & 28
April	11 & 25
May	9 & 23
June	13 & 27
July	11
August	8 & 22
September	12 & 26
October	10 & 24
November	14
December	5 (Reorganization) & 12

Janine L. Allen
Board Secretary
Dec. 15

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of Sadie L. Mohrey, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **Susan G. Mohrey, Executor**, 2865 Green Acres Drive, Allentown, PA 18103.

Dec. 1, 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE

NORTH CATASAUQUA BOROUGH

Notice is hereby given, North Catasauqua Borough 2022 Reorganization meeting, immediately followed by an abbreviated Council meeting, will be held on Monday, January 3rd at 6:00 PM. We will also hold a Planning Commission Meeting on Tuesday, January 4th at 5:30 PM. The full 2022 schedule for Council and Planning meetings will be advertised in January 2022. Meetings will be held at the Municipal Building at 1066 4th Street, North Catasauqua. The North Catasauqua Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Any persons that require special assistance to understand the nature of the business conducted at these meetings because of visual, hearing or other impairment is requested to contact the Borough Secretary at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting to arrange for necessary assistance.

Tasha Jandrisovits, Borough Secretary
Dec. 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Virginia C. Kober late of the City of Bethlehem, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Letters Testamentary on the above-named estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those claims or demands to present the same without delay to:

Executor: Thomas C. Clements
c/o JOSEPH F. LEESON, III, ESQUIRE
70 East Broad Street
P.O. Box 1426
Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426

Dec. 1, 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF JOHN P. YUDT, late of the Township of Whitehall, County of Lehigh, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payable without delay to:

MARY J. PURSELL
28 Tamaqua Street
Tamaqua, PA 18252
or to her Attorney
John L. Obrecht, Esquire
1731 Main Street
Northampton, PA 18067-1544

Dec. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Estate of Jerome A. Miller, Sr., deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

Josephine M. Miller, Executor
c/o Emily A. Zettlemoyer
53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049
or to her attorney:
Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esq.
53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049

Dec. 1, 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Nancy J. Schaffer, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the individuals named below, 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 make payments without delay to: **Executors: Vicki Badesso or Douglas Schaffer**, 1018 Plum Drive, Danielsville, PA 18038.

Dec. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of Kenneth S. Snyder, Deceased, late of Whitehall, County of Lehigh, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **Kenneth A. Snyder and David W. Snyder, Executors**, c/o 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017; or Timothy J. Duckworth, Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

Dec. 1, 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
SOUTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP
2022 MEETING SCHEDULES

The 2022 Meeting Schedule for South Whitehall Township is as follows:

Board of Commissioners - 7:00 p.m., 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month. The 2nd Wednesday of the month is reserved for 6:00 p.m. meetings, only on an as-needed-basis, or for Workshop Sessions. If a meeting is cancelled due to inclement weather or other reasons, the meeting will be postponed to the next evening, unless posted otherwise on the Township's website. (Exceptions are as follows: Reorganization Meeting is Tuesday, January 4th.)

Building Code Appeals Board - 3:30 p.m., 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month on an as-needed basis. (Exceptions are as follows: The second meeting in November and December is cancelled.)

Civil Service Commission - 1:00 p.m., 2nd Wednesday of every month.

Emergency Management Services - 7:00 p.m., March 10th, June 9th, September 8th, and December 8th. All EMS meetings will be held at Cetronia Joint Operation Center, 4350 Broadway, Allentown.

Green Advisory Council - 6:00 p.m., 3rd Monday of every month. (Exceptions are as follows: January & February will meet on the 4th Monday.)

Landscape and Shade Tree Commission - 10:00 a.m. - 4th Monday of every month. (Exceptions are as follows: November and December will meet on the 3rd Monday.)

Parks and Recreation Board - 7:00 p.m., 2nd Monday of every month. (Exceptions are as follows: No meetings in July, August, and December.)

Planning Commission - 7:30 p.m., 3rd Thursday of every month. Please check website each month for meeting details.

Public Safety Commission - 7:00 p.m., 1st Monday of every month. (Exceptions are as follows: January, July & September, will meet on the 2nd Monday.)

Zoning Hearing Board - 7:00 p.m., 4th Wednesday of every month. Overflow hearing dates, if necessary, are the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Please check website each month for meeting details.

Unless otherwise advertised, meetings are held at the Township Municipal Building located at 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, 18104. Please remember to check www.southwhitehall.com for all meeting details-some meetings will continue to meet virtually. Meetings for Planning Commission and Zoning Hearing Board for South Whitehall Township will be advertised appropriately prior to each meeting.

RANDY COPE
Interim Township Manager

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of BARBARA A. GARDNER, deceased, late of Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payment without delay to:
 Executrix: Denise M. Kametz
 c/o William P. Bried, Esq., LLC
 1600 Hamilton St.
 Allentown, PA 18102-4214
 610-709-6200
 Or her attorney: WILLIAM P. BRIED, ESQ.
 William P. Bried, Esq., LLC
 1600 Hamilton Street
 Allentown, PA 18102-4214
 (610) 709-6200
 Dec. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of MARY ELIZABETH THOMPSON aka MARY THOMPSON aka MARY E. THOMPSON, deceased, late of Alburtis, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
 Sallie E. Kirsch, Co-Executrix
 Eileen B. Miller, Co-Executrix
 c/o Michael Ira Stump, Esquire
 207 E. Main Street, Suite 100
 Macungie, PA 18062
 or to their Attorney: Michael Ira Stump, Esq.
 207 E. Main Street, Ste.100
 Macungie, PA 18062
 Dec. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE
TRUST NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that John Kulhamer, Jr., the surviving settlor of The John and Harriet Kulhamer Living Trust Under Agreement Dated December 12, 1995, has died. All persons having claims or demand against said Decedent are requested to make known the same and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment without delay to the trustee, John J. Kulhamer, III, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102, or his attorney, David M. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.
 Dec. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of JACOB F. MOYER, late of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Patti L. Thomas Shelly, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or her Attorney, Larry R. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.
 Dec. 8, 15, 22

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Anna Csaszar, deceased, late of 1200 Easton Road, Borough of Hellertown, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Vendel F. Csaszar, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102, or his attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.
 Dec. 8, 15, 22

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Veronica H. Rohrer a/k/a Veronica Rohrer, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Christina Bearish
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 Lisa A. Seydler
 14521 Old Hickory Blvd.
 Fort Myers, FL 33912
 Executor, or her attorney,
 Lee A. Conrad, Esquire
 3 North Main Street
 Topton, PA 19562
 Dec. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of LINDA T. SICA, deceased, late of Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to
 Joseph M. Sica, Jr., Co-Executrix
 Christopher J. Sica, Co-Executrix
 c/o YOUNG & YOUNG
 Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
 Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
 119 E. Main Street
 Macungie, PA 18062
 Or to their Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG
 Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
 Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
 119 E. Main Street
 Macungie, PA 18062
 Dec. 1, 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of EMMETT W. MILLER, deceased, late of Lower Milford Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to
 David W. Miller, Executor
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 Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
 Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
 119 E. Main Street
 Macungie, PA 18062
 Or to his Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG
 Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
 Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
 119 E. Main Street
 Macungie, PA 18062
 Dec. 1, 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of BARTHOLOMEW S. GUTER, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to
 Celeste Troutman, Executrix
 c/o YOUNG & YOUNG
 Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
 Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
 119 E. Main Street
 Macungie, PA 18062
 Or to his Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG
 Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
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 Macungie, PA 18062
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of James H. Atiyeh a/k/a James Harvey Atiyeh, deceased, late of Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to
 Janet Fisher Atiyeh, Co-Executrix
 Jennifer Ashley, Co-Executrix
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 119 E. Main Street
 Macungie, PA 18062
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 Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Frederick R. Kale, deceased, late of Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to
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 Mary Louise Fiske, Executrix
 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
 Dec. 1, 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF TACEY THOMAS HATTAL, 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:
 JANET SEGGERN a/k/a
 JANET I. B. SEGGERN, Executrix
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 514 Fullerton Avenue, Suite 2
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Eva J. Goodman, deceased, late of Bethlehem, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
 Jan K. Pogue, Executrix
 c/o Keith W. Strohl, Esquire
 Steckel and Stopp LLC
 125 S Walnut Street, Suite 210
 Slatington, PA 18080
 Dec. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF HOPE M. STEMPO, deceased, late of Northampton Borough, Northampton County, PA. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:
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 c/o STEPHEN STRACK, ESQUIRE
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PUBLIC NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that Leona E. Baer, deceased, late of Schnecksville, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Settlor of The Baer Family Trust has died, and no personal representative has been appointed within 90 days of death for said decedent's estate. All persons having claims or demand against said decedent are requested to make known the same and all persons indebted to said decedent are requested to make payment without delay to the Trustees, Timothy D. Baer and Scott D. Baer or their attorney, Steckel and Stopp, LLC: Charles A. Waters, Esquire, 125 South Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080.
 Dec. 1, 8, 15

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF IRENE N. SNYDER, deceased, late of Heidelberg Township, Slatington, Lehigh County, PA. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:
 Robert N. Snyder Sr.
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 Slatington, PA 18080
 Dec. 15, 22, 29

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF MICHAEL E. WEIDNER, deceased, late of North Whitehall Township, Schnecksville, Lehigh County, PA. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:
 DONNA M. WEIDNER, EXECUTOR
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 STECKEL AND STOPP, LLC
 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210
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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 C.T.A. to the person named. All persons having claims or demands against said estate are requested to make known the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, without delay, to the administrator or to their attorneys named below:
 Decedent: BETH L. YEAKEL-MORRIS
 Date of Death: July 17, 2021
 Late of: Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania
 Administrator: David Vaughn Morris
 c/o William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire
 211 W. Broad Street
 Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517
 William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
ESTATE OF JOHN SKRIP, JR., Decedent, late of Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent make known the same, and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment in full, without delay to: Executrix: Patricia Ann Skrip aka Patricia Skrip
 c/o Jon A. Swartz, Esquire
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 7736 Main Street
 Fogelsville, PA 18051
 Dec. 8, 15, 22

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Bruce Anthony Niemi, deceased, of the Borough of Hellertown, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to Dolores Louise Niemi, 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 Dolores Louise Niemi, Administratrix.
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