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## NORCO Council okays 6 union packs

BY BERNIE O'HARE Special to the Bethlehem Press

t its last meeting of the year on Dec. 13, Northampton County Council unanimously approved six union contracts for a large portion of the county's 2,200 employ-

"They are the greatest!" said Executive Lamont McClure.of the "They're workforce. worth more money than we're about to pay them." He added workers understand "the taxpayers are not a money tree."

these Four contracts are with Court-Relatthe Non-professioned Court-Appointed Non-professional, sidual Non-professional and Youth Detention Center bargaining units. All are a part of AFSCME. Their previous contracts expired at the end of last year. Under new three-year contracts, these four unions and public comments are each receiving what is known as a step increase for 2018. This is a 4 and one-half percent pay hike and is retroactive until the beginning of 2018. In 2019 and 2020, there will be 2 percent raises. Employees already at the top step will get a cash payout of \$1,750 for 2018.

Fiscal Affairs Director Steve Barron said the retroactive pay hike will likely take place in

The Gracedale Union, which consists of all union employees except for registered nurses, expires at the end of this year. In 2019, Gracedale workers will see a step increase, followed by 2 percent raises in 2020 and 2021.

Several years ago, Gracedale workers gave up their paid lunches to help keep the then struggling nursing home afloat. Under the new contract, Gracedale workers will get them back. Human Resources Director Elizabeth Kelly said that the union gave up three benefits in return. One perk is a sick leave bonus paid to part-time workers. even though they have

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**DRAWING COURTESY MKSD ARCHITECTS** 

Banana Factory Exterior perspective of the proposed ArtsQuest South Bethlehem Cultural Arts Center for 25 W. Third St. by MKSD Architects.

# Revised Banana Factory plans

## Changes more appealing to Bethlehem HCC

BY ED COURRIER Special to the Bethlehem Press

rtsQuest returned to the Bethlehem Historic Conservation Commission Dec. 17 with reworked plans for their major transformation of the Banana

Factory complex. Incorporating input from board advice gathered at the September hearing, ArtsQuest CEO Kassie Hilgert and MKSD architect Todd Chambers presented a revised plan that preserves a historic building previously slated for demolition. Although the proposal was tabled, they were told that the \$16-18 million project was heading in the right direction.

To make way for a new community cultural arts center, the original proposal called for the demolition of five of the six buildings in the complex at 25 W. Third St., including the early twentieth century three-story red brick and structural terra cotta D. Theodoredis Wholesale Banana Co. warehouse facing Northampton Sreet. and a circa 1885 stuccoed house facing W. Third

Yielding to the commission's concerns regarding the removal of "contributing structures," ArtsQuest's revised proposal preserves the original warehouse for which the campus is named while incorporating it into the new construction. A circa 1925 one-story former auto



PRESS PHOTOS BY ED COURRIER

ArtsQuest CEO Kassie Hilgert and MKSD architect Todd Chambers present a revised plan for transforming the Banana Factory complex into a cultural arts center. Their new proposal preserves a historic building they had previously slated for demolition.

parts store with a terra cotta cornice and entry gable that currently serves as the Crayola Gallery remains as first proposed. ArtsQuest now looks to attach a 3-D sculptural gallery to it along the east wall.

ArtQuest's revised plan still calls for the 1885 single-family residence to be razed to make way for an outdoor plaza between the new building and the former auto parts store. This drew mixed reactions from the committee. Hilgert and Chambers successfully argued that the dwelling has been so altered over the years it has lost its "historic integrity." Chambers also provided cost estimates for renovating it at \$400,000 or moving it at \$548,000. They assured the board the house's decorative front door, door surround, entry roof and supporting brackets would be salvaged for reuse elsewhere within the new campus.

Roger Hudak related some of the history of the nineteenth century residence that he had recently learned from a realtor friend who once owned it. "The second floor of the house was a speakeasy. He wanted to know if the bar was still there," said Hudak, adding, "The third floor was inhabited by a number of ladies of 'ill repute.'" He quipped,

'Somewhere out there in the Great Wide Open they're laughing at us as we try to preserve a historic cathouse.'

BHCC had few issues with the demolition of a 1953 addition to the original warehouse, a garage that was added in 1960, and what was built as contemporary infill when the Banana Factory complex was created in 2000. These were consider "non-contributing."

The commissioners welcomed the reduction to three stories from the previously proposed four-story new construction on the site of the current plaza and parking lot. They were also impressed with the preliminary design of the new structure as one that would fit into the streetscape and complement the industrial nature of the surround-

A parking lot is planned at the West Second Street side of the property, with an outdoor plaza between it and the north face of the building. Some on the board questioned the need for the lot with parking garages nearby: They were told that the artists and other building tenants requested there be onsite parking available, as well as a safe drop-off space for

students. Hilgert said both plaza areas would serve multipurpose functions. She envisioned them as outdoor classrooms, as well as staging areas for public events.

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### **PEOPLE SAY**

BY DANA GRUBB

What is the best Christmas present that you've ever received?



"Playstation 2." **Michael Banas** Bethlehem



"Going to Disney World. **Molly Neidig** Nazareth

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### Merry Christmas Happy Hanukkah

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"An Intellivision system." **Greg Price** Taber, Alberta



"At 10 years old, my Cabbage Patch doll." Kari Hunyadi Bethlehem



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### "When my dog had a clear x-ray after being diagnosed with cancer." **Kristen Bartholomew**

### Columbia **NORCO DA Former Lehigh student** charged in poisoning

BY BERNIE O'HARE

"A CCM handmade

Nanaimo, British

forever.'

**Ken Price** 

hockey stick. It lasted

Special to the Bethlehem Press

A former Lehigh University senior chemistry major has been charged with attempting to murder his roommate

Yukai Yang, 22, has been charged with attempted murder and related offenses. According to Northampton County District Attorney John Morganelli, who announced the charges Dec. 20, Yang admitted to Lehigh University police that he had purchased thallium online and intended to use it on himself if he did poorly on exams. He admitted to mixing it with food and beverages in a refrigerator he shared with his roommate.

Thallium is considered extremely toxic. Its use has been banned in the United States since 1972 after several accidental deaths resulted when it was being administered

Testing of the roommate's blood revealed unsafe thallium levels, according to Morganelli.

This poisoning goes back to March and April, when ehigh University police responded to several complaints from Yang's roommate, Juwan Royal. He told police of changing colors in his milk and mouthwash. In addition to getting ill, his personal property was vandalized on several occasions. On his desk, someone had scrawled "NIGGER, GET OUT OF HERE" with a black marker.

Lehigh University noticed similarities between the message in marker and a written statement from Yang, and charged him in May with malicious mischief, institutional vandalism and ethnic intimidation. Yang was free on \$10,000 bail (10 percent). He is a Chinese citizen and resides in Easton with his mother.

A trial date is scheduled for late January on the ethnic intimidation charges. According to Lehigh University newspaper Brown & White, Yang's student visa has been revoked

Yang never took those exams. He was suspended by Lehigh. Royal graduated from the College of Engineering and Applied Sciences in May.

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Bethlehem resident Breena Holland questions what the view of the transformed Banana Factory complex at 25 W. Third St. be like from the condos and restaurant at Riverport behind it assisted by Emmanuel Mendez at left. and the overall view from Rt. 378.



Baker and business owner Francisco Mendez requests approval for a new sign for The Las Americas Bakery at 736 E. Fourth St. He was

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When public comment was invited, Bethlehem resident Breena Holland questioned what the view of the West Second Street parking lot would be like from Riverport across from it. Her concerns about the overall view from Rt. 378 were allayed by the project's architect.

Audience members Dr. Bill Woodruff and Dr. Lee Riley voiced support for the project.

The commissioners also tabled proposed action on signage to the front façade of 327 Broadway and major alterations to the back of the building that faces 324 W. Fourth St. Larry Eighmy, owner of the property through Sycamore Hill Farm Development, was accompanied by architect Elliott Nolter and Seven Sirens Brewing Company owners Jordon Serulneck and Joshua Divers. The preliminary sign design for Seven Sirens Brewing Co. is a sans serif "trademarked font" of brushed aluminum letters on the Broadway side, illuminated by gooseneck lamps or light bar on a dark gray background.

According to Nolter, the West Fourth Street façade was redesigned to reflect historic proportions, but not replicate the lost design



To the amusement of all present, Roger Hudak (left) tells the sordid history behind the circa 1880s residence within the Banana Factory complex. According to what he had recently learned from a previous owner, it had been a speakeasy and brothel at some point in the building's history.



From left, Josh Divers from Seven Sirens, developer Larry Eighmy, architect Elliott Nolter, and Jordan Serulneck from Seven Sirens present a signage proposal for the façade at 327 Broadway and major alterations to plans for the back of the building that faces 324 W. Fourth St.

of what was once a circa 1880s decorative department store façade that been completely obliterated when the building was converted into an auto sales and service location in 1929. Eighmy looks to convert what is now a parking garage into a magistrate's office and courtroom with secure parking, a microbrewery, and other commercial space.

The board advised them not to use reflective glass as proposed, but continue working on the design to reflect more historic propor-

Representing 134-136 W. Fourth St., Ming Jiang Dong and Jay Xiao received approval for a new 36-inch by 120inch box sign for "Tasty China" and "Chinese Cuisine" in sans serif letters, and Chinese calligraphic symbols and telephone number. The blue, green and red lettering and pinstripe is on an off-white background and externally lit. Similar vinyl window graphics were approved as well, with the phone number to be smaller than the rest of the type.

Dong is the owner of the two-story commercial building at the corner of West Fourth Street and Brodhead Avenue.

A request to re-vinyl an existing 24-inch x 144-inch sign for The Las Americas Bakery See PLANS on Page A7



Maureen McWilliams from C/O Allied Signs fields questions about a storefront sign design for ReV-el, formerly known as The Broadway Social at 217 Broadway.



Representing 134-136 W. Fourth St., Ming Jiang Dong and Jay Xiao seek a COA for a new box sign and vinyl window graphics for Tasty

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Wednesday, December 26

Salvation Army, Women's Ministries, Bible study, 11 a.m. to noon; program, 1 p.m. 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for senior activities and schedules.

**Explore STEM**, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Youth Services, Main library, Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Call 610-867-3761(main) or visit www.bapl. org.

**Thursday, December 27** 

Salvation Army, seniors 50 and up; Tai Chi, 9:45 a.m. program, 10:45 a.m. 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for senior activities and schedules.

Board games, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Youth Services, Main library, Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Call 610-867-3761 or visit www.bapl.org.

Friday, December 28

We've Got the Beat: Dance and Jam Session Dance and play preschool instruments in time to pop hits and children's favorites. No registration required. 11 to 11:30 a.m. Ages two and up. Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Call 610-867-3761 or visit www.bapl.org.

#### Tuesday, January 1- New Year's Day

Wednesday, January 2

Story Time registration for babies and toddlers. Call 610-867-3761, ext. 499, or stop by 11 W. Church St. Salvation Army, age 14 and up, Bible study,11 a.m.

to noon; program, 1 p.m. 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681.

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### **MEETING BOARD**

Wednesday, December 26
Bethlehem Township municipal offices closed.

Monday, December 31 - New Year's Eve Bethlehem Township municipal offices hours: 8 a.m. to noon.

Tuesday, January 1 - New Year's Day Most government offices closed.

Wednesday, January 2

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

Northampton Co. Council - proposed budget hearing, 4 p.m., Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

Bethlehem City Council, 7 p.m. city hall, 10 E. Church St

Freemansburg Council, 7 p.m. 600 Monroe St., Freemansburg

### **HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS**

Putz displays (story of Christ's birth through narration, music, illuminated miniature scenes- Moravian tradition)

Central Moravian Putz, Christian Education Bldg. 73 W. Church St. 1 to 5 p.m. every half hour daily through Dec. 31. centralmoravianchurch.org/whoweare/the-christmas-community-putz-and-the-star-candle-shoppe.

East Hills Moravian Church Putz, 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 3 to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, through Dec. 30. 1830 Butztown Road. Visit www.east-hillsmc.org; call 610-868-6481.

Holiday Putz Trail, through Jan. 13. Traditional Moravian Nativity scenes / displays: Moravian Museum Gemeinhaus, Single Sisters' House, 1810 Goundie House, Central Moravian Church. www.historicbethle-

Doors and Windows of Bethlehem exhibit, through Jan. 1. North and South sides.

Through December 29

Historic Haunts – Ghosts of Christmas Past. 6:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Moravian Book Shop, 428 Main St. Call 610-866-5481 or visit www.moravian.edu.

Through January 14

Hotel Bethlehem Christmas display self-guided tour, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily.

Sunday, December 30

Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols, with organ, harp and flute. 5 p.m. Cathedral Church of the Nativity, 321 Wyandotte St. Visit www.nativitycathedral.org.

10th annual Peepsfest: Family Disco Lounge, 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; Mascot Dash and Kids Fun Run, noon; Peeps n the Kitchen cooking demos, PBS39, noon, 2 and 4 p.m.; Peeps sculptures created by local artists; Fireworks, 5:15 p.m.; live animal presentations / Wildlands Conservancy. 2:30 and 4 p.m.; Creativity Table with the Banana Factory Arts; Make-Your-Own Peeps S'mores. Free admission; select activities require admission ticket or have additional charges. Steel



PRESS PHOTOS BY CAROLE GORNEY

**Volunteers bring in food and cook** all breakfast and dinner meals in the shelter's kitchen. Most volunteers are from local churches. Millie Fortin, Ruth Koenig and Courtney Deppen are from the First Baptist Church on Linden Street.

# People living on the edge

### Bethlehem Emergency Sheltering is 'family' to many

BY CAROLE GORNEY
Special to the Bethlehem Press

**DECEMBER 26, 2018** 

If you think it is cold outside this month, imagine how much colder you would be if you were homeless and living on the streets. Thankfully, for the homeless in the Lehigh Valley there is a temporary shelter in Bethlehem that offers an escape from the cold, nutritious meals and a needed belving hand

needed helping hand. Bethlehem Emergency Sheltering (BES) created the current winter shelter in 2017 by consolidating a number of facilities operated at up to 14 different churches in the area. In search of a single home, the BES Board of directors approached the Christ Church UCC on Market Street, and according to transitional executive and shelter director manager Bob Rapp Jr., the congregation voted unanimously to come the shelter.

In the current facility there are warm beds for up to 75 persons, with separate dorm-style rooms for men and women.

"The guests are an interesting mix of folks. Not unlike people you would meet at a ball game," Rapp said. "Some guests are chronic homeless who have been on the streets for seven or eight years. Tonight, we have a young man from out of town who will stay with us for two weeks until he gets



Betsy Easen has been volunteering with Bethlehem Emergency Sheltering for the past 10 years. As head site coordinator, she checks in guests staying at the shelter. She is going over the list of names with shelter manager Bob Rapp, Jr. He is also Pastor for Mission at Christ Church UCC, where the shelter has its home.



ple you would meet at a ball game," Rapp said. "Some guests are chronic homeless who have "Some guests who have the spacious dining room also doubles as a fellowship hall where guests can watch television, play games or be entertained by volunteers with guitars and keyboards.

a paycheck from his new job. There's also a college graduate who just has had bad luck."

Rapp observed that most people don't realize how much they are living on the edge. All it takes is a health trauma or loss of a job to end up homeless, he said. "You can go to any Walmart parking lot and see people sleeping in their car. Sometimes more than one car."

Homeless people do freeze to death in the winter, Rapp said, referring to a couple found frozen in the ball fields at Illicks Mill. BES operates during the coldest months from Dec. 1 through March 31, but Rapp added, "it is just as hard being out in the summer with ticks, bugs and heat. Last summer we lost someone to dehydration." For that reason, he said the BES board of directors is considering an option of running the shelter all year round.

For now, the winter shelter is providing a variety of needed services besides just a bed and food. Street Medicine from the Lehigh Valley Health Network offers diagnostic testing. Other organizations coordinate with BES to help guests get on housing lists, or start on medical

ists, or start on medical See **BES** on Page A4







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### **AREA DEATHS** Denise M. Harry

co-owned Bethlehem Ice Service

Denise M. Harry, 63, died Dec. 11, 2018, at St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem. She was a daughter of the late Carl and Nancy Moats. She was the wife of BY PAUL CMIL Carl Harry for 43 years.

She was a 1973 graduate of Whitehall HS. She earned a degree in nursing from Saint Luke's Hospital School of Nursing.

She was home nurse for Rx Home Care. She coowned Bethlehem Ice Service.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two children, Melissa and Carl Jr.; and her two granddaughters, Kira and Hailee.

She was predeceased by a brother, Douglas

Contributions may be made to The American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund, 3939 Broadway, Allentown, PA 18104; or by visiting www.redcross.

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

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### BES

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"We need to drive home the point that we are here to help them," Rapp explained. "Some of these folks consider us their family. They don't trust a lot of other people.'

In order to stay at the shelter, guests must first get a voucher from the police. If anyone has a warrant against him, he has a five-day grace period to stay at BES while going to see a magistrate to make a plan on how to get off the street and into housing. If the warrant is related to a serious matter, the police would detain the person, Rapp

said. The shelter opens at 5 p.m. and lights are out at 10 p.m. Guests may not arrive earlier than 4:45, and no one is allowed outside the building after 10. Emergency exits are alarmed, and doors are locked so no one can get in after closing. Guests must leave by 7 a.m. Two shifts of security guards are on duty every day from 4 p.m. in the afternoon until 8

a.m. The shelter manager also is on duty all night, as are a number

of volunteers. the shelter sometimes, but they are usually medical," Rapp clari-

"We couldn't pull this off without volunteers," Rapp continued. "Last year, [we had] 1,200 volunteers in four months. They come from all over the valley; most from churches.

Volunteers do everything from buying food for all the meals, cooking in the shelter's well-equipped kitchen, serving meals and clean- the therapy dog had ing up. Some volunteers stay after dinner to entertain with guitars or keyboards, or to play games with the guests.

On its website page, BES notes that the need to shelter the homeless will not go away. It pledges to continue in its shared ministry with churches, civic organizations, businesses and city and county leaders "to work together to serve 'the least of these."



BES provides beds for men and women in separate rooms. Those who stay more than one night are able to leave personal belongings in locked boxes under their beds. The shelter can house up to 75 individuals.

### HOLIDAYS

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Stacks, 100 Founders Way, For information, visit www. steelstacks.org/peepsfest.

Monday, December 31 - New Year's Eve Peepsfest: Peeps sculptures created by local artists; Creativity Table; Make-Your-Own Peeps S'mores; Family Disco Lounge, 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; Grossology, 10 and 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.; live animal presentations / Wildlands Conservancy, 2:30 and 4 p.m.; Peeps Chick Rising Ceremony, 5:15 p.m. music by Rolie Polie Guacamole, Peeps drop, fireworks. Free admission; select activities require admission ticket or have additional charges. Steel Stacks, 100 Founders Way. For information, visit www.steelstacks.org/peepsfest.



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50th Anniversary

It was the last Sunday of 1968 when Pastor and Mrs. Lundmark began their pastoral ministry at Northampton Assembly of God. The Lord has done many wonderful things in the church during the 50 years that have passed since then, and there are many fond memories of

that nave passed since then, and there are many fond memories of those whom they have been privileged to meet and to know. This "Pastor's Comments" newspaper column ministry began over 40 years ago in 1975. We often meet those who mention that they read this column regularly. If this column has been a help to you, we invite you to let us know by sending an email to pastor@naog.ws or by writing a letter. Pastor Lundmark would enjoy hearing from you. If you would like to receive the column via email each week, please email pastor@naog.ws and make your request. Here is one of the first columns that Pastor Lundmark wrote:

On the first Christmas the shepherds heard a multitude of angels.

On the first Christmas the shepherds heard a multitude of angels saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." Hundreds of years before, the prophet Isaiah had fore-told the birth of Jesus and said He would be called the PRINCE OF told the birth of Jesus and said He would be called the PRINCE OF PEACE! After Jesus had miraculously fed 5,000 people, the Jews were preparing to make Him King, but became disillusioned and frustrated when He taught that He had not come to force a kingdom of peace upon this world, but to bring about a revolution of character within man termed the "new birth." Jesus said, "Think not that I am come to send peace on earth..." and "The Kingdom of God is within you." The PRINCE OF PEACE has come, yet 85% of all history concerns itself with war because men have rejected His rulership in their lives. We celebrate the birth of the PRINCE OF PEACE this Christmas, yet statistics reveal the highest rate of suicides during this season because of the disillusionment of those who seek peace outside of the PRINCE OF PEACE. Jesus Christ. OF PEACE, Jesus Christ

## Remembering Mark Reccek

### Late Press writer's words memorialized at hospital

Special to The Press

When Mark Reccek was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer, he began his treatment in the oncology department at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg, Bethlehem. The Marine was a fighter and wrote regularly for The Press newspapers.

While he was undergoing treatment, he was being cared for by his sister, Donna Kukor, of Bath. During his stints in the hospital, Reccek continued to write columns on the experiences he had during his treatment.

Reccek was im-"There are issues in pressed by the work of a therapy dog named Sirius, who was trained by Charlene Piskula, of Coplay. Sirius was adopted by Lehigh Valley Hospital for many of its patients and proved to be valuable "medicine" in the fight against this ravaging disease.

With his handler, Sirius roamed the halls of the various buildings in the hospital complex. Reccek and Sirius bonded.

Reccek saw the effect on autistic children, as well as the cancer patients and those recovering from heart problems. As he noted in his columns, Sirius helped him survive the stress of the cancer treatments.

The fight against the cancer was long and arduous. Amy Levan, director of the LVH Infusion Center, worked with Reccek, using the latest technologies. His sister kept him going with chicken soup and kind words.

Reccek succumbed to his illness Dec. 17, 2017, at the age of 42. His life was short, but his insight would continue to live on.

His columns were submitted posthumously for a Pennsylvania Newspaper Award by Press staff. Reccek



Mark Reccek with therapy dog Sirius. As he noted in his columns, Sirius helped him bear the stress of the cancer treatments.



Press correspondent Paul Cmil presents a Keystone Award won posthumously by Mark Reccek to Donna Kukor, of Bath, Reccek's sister, during a special ceremony Dec. 10 at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg, Bethlehem. Reccek wrote columns on his cancer diagnosis and treatment as well as the therapy he received from Sirius, here with his handler, Charlene Piskula of Coplay.

received a first-place recognition at the annual Keystone Awards ceremony.

Piskula was instrumental in preserving some of Reccek's columns on his treatment and the role of therapy

dogs in the healing process. With the help of Press staff, she gathered portions of his columns into a collage that was dedicated Dec. 10 to the oncology department at LVH-Muhlenberg.

The dedication was

attended by Kukor; Keith Weinhold, senior vice president of operations at Lehigh Valley Health Network; Levan; Robert Begliomini, president of LVH-Muhlenberg; and, importantly,

### **COLUMNS BY MARK RECCEK**

### The chemo war begins

"Hello, is this Mark Reccek?" "Yes, I am he," I responded to the caller

"Hi, Mark I'm just calling to let vou know Dr. K would like you to begin chemo next Tuesday," the office assistant said.

And so, the next stage and chapter of beating cancer has



Mark Reccek

begun. Pensive, unsure and frightened are some of the words I would use to explain my first chemotherapy

The night before the treatment, I did my very best to ignore worst-case scenarios by thinking positively. I had been warned and told about the host of immediate. serious side effects I might experience within the first few minutes of my first treatment.

The morning of treatment arrived faster than I had expected. After registering, being weighed, assigned a chair and asked a few questions by the nurses, the pro-

cess began. The nurse deftly inserted an IV line into my vein and gave me saline, Benadryl and another drug to help combat any potential, immediate side effects. Not too soon afterward, the first chemo drug arrived. I was asked information such as my name, date of birth and Social Security number to ensure the nurses were administering the proper drug to the correct person.

The first bag was then hung, and the drug began the slow process of traveling from the bag into my arm. I peered over my right shoulder as I keenly watched the toxic liquid cocktail eventually enter my vein. The burning sensation was one indication the drug had arrived in my system.

At this point, the 50 milligrams of Benadryl had fully impacted my body. I was quite groggy and felt as if I was levitating. After roughly 20 minutes with no reactions, I was fairly certain the first chemo drug would not pose any serious health

Paying me a visit during this time was Coplay resident Charlene Piskula's therapy dog Sirius. He jumped on my lap to do what he does best - calm the receiver of the chemo drug. His presence surely helped to calm my fears.

After three-and-a-half hours of receiving the first drug, it was

time for the second. The second drug breached my body much faster, yet with the same ultimate purpose – to reach and attack the cancer cells. Before I knew it, my first round of chemo was over.

The radiation process and now my first chemo treatment has been nothing short of interesting. I've learned so much about medicine, cancer and side effects, as well as how to fight to stay alive.

In the past, I often would marvel at the positive attitude and sheer resilience of those battling cancer, asking myself, "Where do they gain such strength?" I'm learning, through my own experiences with cancer, it's either do

You fight not only for yourself, but for your family, friends and even complete strangers. You fight to inspire them and show them even in those darkest hours, there is a light shining up ahead.

Take that light through the darkness and recapture the life you once had

Cancer can either be a death sentence or a means to an end - the end being recovery and

It's a battle like no other – a battle that opens up one's eyes to life and living.

## The final bell rings

Although the radiation doctor said the side effects would ramp up as treatments progressed, I raised my head and shoulders and pushed forward to the finish line.

My final radiation treatment was Aug. 15 at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg. After six weeks of receiving treatments, Monday through Friday, I can officially

cancer treatment.

My final day consisted of a tra-

dition shared by all who complete their course of cancer treatment: I rang a bell signifying the end of radiation.

I must confess, I'm a bit worn out and battered by the treatments, but I, along with others, am

say I am finished with this stage of seeing progress. I'm grateful these treatments have begun to make a difference.

Yes, I have cancer, and treatments may not have been easy, but I've been reminded daily I am

When I think about where I was back in June and where I am See RINGS on Page A5

### **AREA DEATHS**

### Ronald Charles Makos Sr. \*

manager, painter



Ronald Charles Makos Sr., 79, of Bethlehem, died Dec. 16, 2018. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Andrew and Mary (Gredlics).

He was in the U.S. Navy from 1957-

He was a manager at Kinney Shoes. He was later a painter for Bethlehem Steel Corp. and then worked for Kraft Foods, from which he retired.

He was a parishioner of and an usher for Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

He volunteered earlier in life as a painter for St. Joseph Catholic Church and St. John's Lutheran

He is survived by three children, Christine and her husband Barry Eisenman, Michele and her husband Shawn McGoldrick and Ronald Jr. and his wife Julia; a sister, Florence "Terri" Pascoe, wife of the late John Pascoe; five grandchildren, Trevor Eisenman, Caitlin and Jillian Berosh and Ava and Lucas Makos; a nephew, Andrew Pascoe; and a close friend, Terry Gallagher.

Contributions may be made to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 3219 Santee Road, Bethlehem, PA 18020.

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

### Robert J. "Spike" Holowka

rigger department worker

Robert J. "Spike" Holowka, 65, of Hellertown, died Dec. 9, 2018, at his residence. Born in Fountain Hill, he was a son of the late Stanley and Johanna J. (Laky) Holowka.

He worked in the rigger department of Bethlehem Steel Corp. for many years.

He is survived by two sisters, JoAnn H. Smith of Horseheads, N.Y. and Gloria H. and her husband Frank D. Nastasee of Hellertown.

There are no calling hours. Services are private. Arrangements were made by Heintzelman Funeral Home Inc., Hellertown.

### Sophia Kowalyk

born in the Ukraine

Sophia Kowalyk died on Dec. 15, 2018. She was born in the Ukraine.

She is survived by a son, Bohdan "Bo" Ta-

She was predeceased by her husbands, Olexa Tanasijczuk and Wasyl "Wally" Kowalyk; and an older son, George Tanasijczuk.

Contributions may be made to St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, 1826 Kenmore Ave., Bethlehem, PA 18018.

Burial will follow at Hope Cemetery Arrangements were made by Connell Funeral Home Inc., Bethlehem.



### George J. Libricz Sr.

Radprin volunteer

George J. Libricz Sr., 92, of Bethlehem, died Dec. retriever, and Charlene provid-10, 2018. He was a son of the late Mary (Samenig) ed me with a sense of comfort and Charles Libricz. He was the husband of the late and helped me relax during the Mary Louise (Grossett) Libricz

He was a member of the United States Army Air also got to witness firsthand the Corps during World War II.

He worked for the Bethlehem Steel Corp. and the Reading and Conrail Railroads.

He volunteered at Radprin Radio at Northampton Community College; the Da Vinci Center; WDIY Radio as a laborer and on air host; Boys Scouts of America; and the North Central Little League.

He is survived by two daughters, Lois and her husband Mark Hollopeter, and Laura and her husband Graham Stockley; two sons, George J. Jr. and his wife Noran and Carl and his wife Jutta; seven grandchildren, Heather, Jessica, Megan, Debbie, Stacy, Yvonne and Jan; and six great grandchilder, Michael, Evan, Sophie, Molly, Sarah and Finder turn for the worse; unbeknownst

He was predeceased by brothers; and a sister. Contributions may be made to the Country Meadows Co-Workers Foundation. 830 Cherry Drive, Hershey, 17033.

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

### RINGS

Continued from page A4 today, I am grateful to still be breathing air.

Rather than see a dark lining, I make it a point each day to try to see the beauty of life and embrace the kindness and generosity of family, friends and strangers.

Life is fraught with daily obstacles that may seem insurmountable. Obstacles confronted with a positive attitude make them easier to deal with and to fight through the roadblocks in life.

What's next, you might ask?

Chemotherapy

treatments could be an option in the near future. Chemo, unlike radiation for many, is a tougher road to walk, with the potential side effects difficult to bear. However. I'm ready for what lies ahead. I can either retreat or push forward

harder. You learn through a disease such as cancer that the battle is an incremental process involving a number of factors. Chief among them includes doctors, nurses and medical treatments, support of family and friends, prayer and rely-

ing on one's spirituality. I believe no one can

go through cancer or any other major disease or illness without learning a few lessons that likely will stay with them for life. I've learned the

fragility and sanctity of life and the beauty that arrives with each coming day. Because I don't know what tomorrow may bring, I've learned to appreciate the bad with the good. For how can anyone of us truly know goodness and happiness if we have not walked through dark valleys throughout our life?

Also, I learned that family and friends are incredible resources. Often,

when one is in need, they will offer their assistance. It's during those difficult times others will surface to help you move forward in your fight to get well.

And, while no one wants to experience suffering, often there is purpose in suffering. We can use our own suffering to help others go through physical or mental diseases by sharing with them what we learned and how we coped and overcame.

Onward, I now move - to the next stage in conquering cancer!

## **EDITOR'S VIEW** Remembering those we lost during this holiday season

Many of our readers have been to me, when he emailed his following the Guest Views written by former editorial assistant and freelance writer/photographer Mark Reccek, documenting his battle with cancer.

Although a very private person, Mark felt it was important to share his journey with the readers and the many friends he had acquired through his work at The Press.



On Dec. 17 [2017], Mark lost the fight.

Mark was well-educated with multiple degrees, one being a law degree. He was studying to take the bar exam to become a lawyer to represent those who could not represent themselves.

He was a quiet, compassionate soul who touched the lives of many of our readers.

One of his favorite stories, I believe, was when he interviewed Charlene Piskula, of Coplay, and her golden retriever therapy dog, Sirius. At that time, I'm sure he didn't know how important it would be to have Piskula and Sirius attend his first radiation appointment at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg.

'Both Sirius, a gentle golden appointment," Mark wrote. "I positive and therapeutic impact Sirius has on those battling cancer. The eyes of one elderly woman awaiting treatment lit up and a bright smile emitted from her face as Sirius sat next to her. As she gently pet Sirius, I could sense the woman was feeling more at ease with where she was."

Mark was working on a story for me when his health took a

notes, he was in a hospital bed.

Through Mark's connections, my son was able to interview two employees of Google in California for his graduation project in 2014. We will be forever grateful. But that was Mark - always trying to help someone.

When there was a fire in his apartment building years ago, all of his furniture and belongings were ruined. His co-workers and friends tried to give him furniture, televisions and money none of which Mark wanted. He said he lived very simply and that was fine with him.

I know there are many of our readers who are also dealing with the loss of a loved one during the holidays.

Many of the churches in our area provide "Blue Christmas" services, which are held on or near Dec. 21, the longest night of the year. According to Rev. Nancy C. Townely, of Ministry Matters™, "Following this date, daylight seems to be returning for more and more of each day. On this night, or anytime this service is presented, we remember those for whom the holidays are not joyful; they are lonely, in mourning, feeling alienated and cast apart from family celebrations; they are experiencing depression and sadness and yet are often compelled to 'put on a happy face' for others, denying their true feelings.'

Sylvia S. Havlish, M.Ed., bereavement counselor for 40 years, coordinator of bereavement ministries, Lutheran Congregations Services and bereavement counselor for St. John's Lutheran Church, Emmaus, offered some advice for managing grief during the holidays.

 Remember that just as there is no right or wrong way to grieve, there is no "correct" way to mark a holiday.

· Lean into the feelings of grief East Penn Press ... don't avoid them. You're not

trying to avoid grief ... you're trying to avoid pain.

 Make new plans for this holiday. Evaluate the parts of your traditions that you want to "keep" and those that you might

Go in with a "game plan." Always build a "plan b" into the day to meet up with friends in case being alone becomes overwhelming.

 Externalize your loss. Say a prayer, light a candle, make an ornament, donate money in your loved one's name, share funny

· Be gentle with yourself. Don't do more than you want and don't do anything that does not serve your soul (from the website grief.com).

One of Havlish's favorite authors on grief stated, "I have found that grief is the shadow of love. It only exists because there was love. So grief is embraced as a close friend; not as a place to stay ... but a place to rest a while when I need to."

"You hope you have a good listener in your life who will listen and allow you to express your feelings," Havlish said. "The only words you need when you are trying to help someone who is grieving is 'tell me about it' and then quietly listen."

Havlish also said getting your feelings out is the first step to dealing with grief.

So thank you, Mark, from your co-workers and the many readers of The Press, for your compassionate journalism. Although your family and friends will miss you desperately, what a wonderful celebration it will be in Heaven, rejoicing on the birth of Christ, Dec. 25.

Debbie Galbraith **Salisbury Press** 









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## Coal for Christmas is a gift after all

Coal Lounge & Grill has opened downtown just in time to bring warm, exotic West African fare to a chilly Lehigh Valley holiday. Executive Chef Kofi Armah is from New Jersey, but spent many years in Ghana, and wanted to bring that different dining experience to Bethlehem, where he attended Moravian College. "I wanted to fill a void in the culinary scene," he says, "There are a lot of foodies in Bethlehem and it's the center of the Lehigh Valley. Downtown was a plus, and we want to incrase tourism." Coal is open Tuesday-Friday-Saturday 5 p.m.-3 a.m., and is located at 81 W. Broad St. Call 484-456-1182 or visit on Facebook and coalbethlehem.com.



**Executive Chef Kofi** Armah begins his evening in the kitchen cutting imported yams. He worked in the Hotel Bethlehem kitchens for several years upon Thursday 5-10 p.m. and returning to the states. He recommended the spicy fried plantain appetizer (called kelewele) and said. "The chicken kebabs are to die for."

### **Rotary's Tastes & Tunes donates to BASD**



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The Bethlehem Rotary Club's big annual fundraiser, Tastes & Tunes, earned a whopping total of almost \$41,000 this year, \$10,187 of which was presented to the Bethlehem Area School District at a luncheon Nov. 28. Above: Organizers President Mark Reed, Jim Smith and Deb Walter with BASD representatives Julie Bailey (center) and Assistant Superintendent Jack Silva (right), who said the money will go toward musical instruments, primarily for younger students. The rest of the money, said Rotary Vice President Peter Mickolay, will benefit any number of local groups with much larger grants than the Rotary could otherwise provide.

### **PLANS**

Continued from page A2 at 736 E. Fourth St. was quickly approved with the suggestion that baker and business owner Francisco Mendez, correct a grammatical error in the business slogan to read 'Finest Baked Goods.' The dark brown serif lettering and pinstripe appear on an off white background. Emmanuel Mendez assisted with the proposal. The three-story building is owned by Lehigh Valley 4 Rent, LLC.

Maureen McWilliams from C/O Allied Signs scored a COA for a storefront sign incorporating board modifications for ReVel, formerly known as The Broadway Social at 217 Broadway. McWilliams agreed to reduce its size and make it oval-shaped to relate to the logo's oval shape. Instead of covering the "Lehigh No. 1" built-in letters and decorative terra cotta lion heads on the face of the former 1885 firehouse, the new sign would be located below those historic architectural ele-

ments. Off white vinyl signage for the social club's front window was also approved. The descender in the letter "R" of the blue and off white script logo encircles itself with its own pinstripe noted board members Vice Chairman Gary Lader and Beth Starbuck.

The building is owned by Greg Salo-

The Bethlehem HCC is charged with the task of determining if new signs or other alterations to a building's exterior would be an appropriate fit for the

neighborhood in one of three designated historic districts. Hearings are regularly scheduled on the third Monday of the month.

Obtaining a certificate of appropriateness is only a first step for business owners and residents in a designated historic district who wish to make alterations to a building's exterior. The BHCC's recommendations are later reviewed, then voted on by City Council before any project is allowed to proceed.

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Hazy, a 4-year-old female terrier/pit mix, is playful and friendly. She's smart and easy to train. She has some dog aggression that we have been working on but she should be the only animal in the



Brooklyn is 4 1/2 years old and is a rather mellow lady. She doesn't mind sharing her space with other cats and would be happy to live in a quiet home or one with older children. She is on a Sensitive System Diet.

### NORCO

Continued from page A1 a sick leave bonus paid to part-time workers, even though they have no sick days. Another is something known as "99" days. This enables employees to take up to five unpaid personal days every year. Some employees were taking more, which established a practice. Under the new contract, employees who abuse the "99" day perk will be disciplined. Finally, changes have been made to Friday

shift differentials. The final union contract is with the Human Services PSSU Union, which is part of SEIU. Employees there are getting a retroactive step increase in 2018, followed by 2 percent raises in 2019 and 2020. Because a step increase in Human Services is only about 2.25 percent compared to the 4.5 percent with the other unions, the county is also agreeing to make up the difference with cash.

Executive Lamont McClure said the new contracts eliminate the fund these accounts up She suddenly became

to pay in their health- for family. plans are being offered. Both are "Preferred Provider Organization" (PPO) plans. These allow participants to visit in-network physicians

or healthcare provider a referral from a primary care physician. According to HR Director provide more favorable prices and better cover-

age than other plans. The first of these, scribed by Kelly as a is with a \$400 deductible iffs' second PPO has higher single, \$4,000 for fami- ed professionals ly), but enables employees to establish Health director of treatment Savings Accounts. Sin- at the Juvenile Justice tribute up to \$3,500 per proved by unanimous county is also willing to kinds of

gap insurance employ- to \$1,250 for single covees were being forced erage HSAs, and \$2,500

care coverage In addition, two new health that HSAs are portable, meaning that if an employee leaves to work take the HSA with him.

After these contracts were approved by county council, McClure swithout first obtaining thanked them for "unanimously validating the dignity of the worker."

These new contracts Kelly, these packages mean that the county's payroll will increase \$848,048 this year, and \$2.6 million in 2020.

About 70 percent of called PPO400, is de-the county's work force union. Contracts "traditional" PPO plan with the Deputy Sher-Association and for single members and corrections officers are an \$800 deductible for unresolved. Other barfamily coverage. The gaining units include registered nurses, detecdeductibles (\$2,000 for tives and court-appoint-

In other business, a gle employees can con- center was finally apyear, while those with vote. Council member in \$7,000 per year. The previously imposed all both organizations. roadblocks.

"comfortable' with the appointment after Judge Stephen Baratta advised her in a four-page letter that she was interfering with the courts.

Also, despite claimsomewhere else, he can ing she had the votes and rallying her supporters to attend the home. meeting and speak in favor of a tabled resolution condemning the use of plastic straws and bags, council member Tara Zrinski has decided to wait until next year to pusue it. She has said she wants county municipalities to use the resolution as a template for an enforceable ban. Bethlehem's Kathy Fox and Dr. Breena Holland spoke in support of

the ban. Finally, at the request of council member John Cusick, council approved \$5,000 grants from its contingency fund to The Center for Animal Health and Welfare and the Saucon Valley Community Center.

Both are nonprofits. Council member Kevfamily coverage can pay Lori Vargo Heffner had in Lott spoke highly of

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#### **HOOP CAMP**

Come out and train with the Lady Hawks at the fifth annual Holiday Hoops Clinic on Dec. 27 for grades 3 through 8 at Bethlehem Catholic High School.

The clinic will run from 9-10:30 a.m. All training will be geared to the level of play and will include ball handling, offensive skills training, shooting technique, and footwork and agility training.

The cost is \$20 and walk-ins are welcome.

#### WHITEHALL **FOOTBALL** COACH

As has been the plan since June, Whitehall High School has posted its head football coach position.

Coach Kondikoff took on this untimely opening on an interim basis after the resignation of coach Brian Gilbert in June. We are very thankful to Coach Kondikoff and his staff for keeping things together for the student-athletes who participate in football at Whitehall. They all had the best interests of the players in mind.

Interested candidates can send resumes to Athletic Director Bob Hartman at hartmanb@whitehallcoplay.org.

#### **GIRLS VBALL** COACH

Catasaugua looking for a coach for the 2019-2020 school year for an established high school girls volleyball program, previous experience as a varsity head coach or assistant coach in a successful program preferred.

Send letter of interest, current recredentials, sume. current Acts 24, 34, 126, 151 & 168 and FBI federal clearance to Mr. Thomas R. Moll, II, Director of Stu-dent Activities, Catasaugua High School, 2500 West Bullshead Road, Northampton, PA 18067; EOE;

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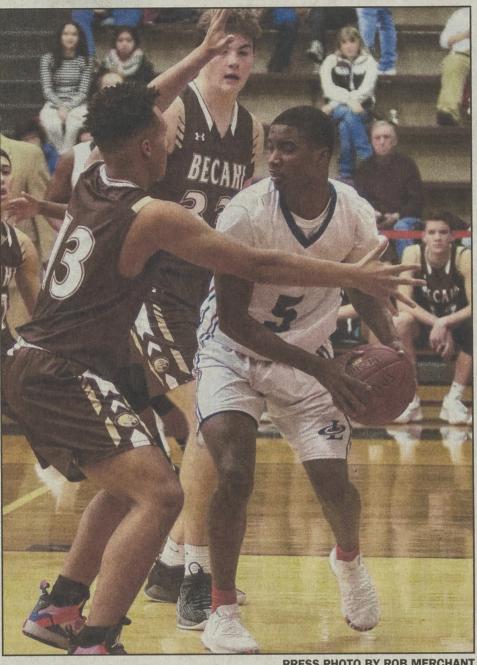
On Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2019, at 6:30, Hokendauqua Chapter of Trout Unlimited will present the program: Karen Poshefko will speak on "Trout Streams and Global Warm-

ing."
The event takes place at Northampton Middle School, Rm. 205, located at 1617 Laubach Ave., Northampton, 18067

The public is invited to attend. Questions,

610-262-7598.

# Holiday tourney time!



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Alijah Cannon and the Liberty boys will travel to Freedom for a holiday tournament and a first-round matchup against the Pates.

## FHS-LHS to square off

BY PETER CAR pcar@tnonline.com

With the holiday season in full swing this on the hardwood with taking tournaments place this week.

Freedom will keep things going at home on Dec. 27 and 28 with their second annual Christmas Shootout, featuring cross town rival Liberty, W.T. Woodson, and Dallas High School.

The Patriots and Hurricanes square off on opening night and Freedom head coach Joe Stellato hopes it can be a successful showing for the tournament.

"This event started because we did not want to travel during the holidays, but we had a lot of interest in teams coming here to play," Stellato said. "At the same time that we thought of this, Liberty was looking for a place to play over the holidays. It worked out for everyone involved. Opening with Liberty on the first night should lead to a good turnout and a great reth and Emmaus.

atmosphere."

Liberty head coach Chad Landis enjoys staying home over the week, all three Bethlehem schools will take chance to battle Freedom at the same time makes it all worth while.

"We have always changed up our Christmas schedule, usually on a two-year cycle," Landis said. "It has been nice to stay close to home, especially over the holidays. Anytime we play Freedom it makes for a good event."

Bethlehem Catholic will be hitting the road to Red Lion to take part in their holiday tourney with York Catholic and York Suburban in the field this Thursday and

Friday as well.
"This will be my first time at this event, but I know that Becahi has been there several times and we expect the competition to be extremely challenging," said head coach Scott McClary. "It is my hope this will really get us ready to take on EPC foes when the New Year begins, as we start out with two of the toughest teams in Naza-

## Hurricanes aim to defend holiday title

BY PETER CAR pcar@tnonline.com

champions in the first session, while South, Delaware Val- Pen Argyl, Pennridge,

Liberty's Bethlehem and Damen Moyer (195). at 6:30 p.m. Saturday's ton, Honesdale, James Shenendehowa

Memorial Gymnasium.

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Mills (MD), Parkland, ming Valley West.

Tal-Reese Flemming the second session is ley, Easton, Freedom, Phillipsburg (NJ), Quak-(113), Matt Maloney (120) scheduled to take place Garnet Valley, Hazle- ertown, Saucon Valley, Holiday Wrestling Classic will take place this Friday and Saturday at North Penn, North Pe

### Christmas City tourney set for this weekend

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The 51st annual Tony Iasiello Christmas City Wrestling tournament will take place this weekend with wrestling kicking off on Friday at 10 a.m. and running straight through the

day. Saturday's action begins at 10 a.m. as well and runs straight through to the finals. The Hawks the team title a year ago, racking up 301 points and having 12 wrestlers in the finals, walking away with

six champions.

The field for this week includes: Anneville Cleona, Bald Eagle Area, Bethlehem Catholic, Blair Academy (Second Varsity Team), East Stroudsburg South. Emmaus. Executive Academy, Education Faith Christian Academy, First Colonial (VA), Lehighton, Dieruff, Milton Hershey, Port Jervis (NY), Roman Catholic, Schuylkill Valley, Scranton, Southern Lehigh, Susquehanna Township and Wallenpaupack.



Handelovic and the Hawks recently picked up a win over **Emmaus last** Wednesday, and then Northampton last Thursday and will take part in the Christmas City Tournament.

**PRESS PHOTO** BY DON HERB

### FHS boys top ESN

BY KATIE MCDONALD kmcdonald@tnonline.com

Freedom's swim team defeated East Stroudsburg North, 114-55, on Dec. 18 at East Stroudsburg.

In individual events, Jack Rosen won the 50 free in 26.7, and Paras Chand finished in second place.

Danny Connell won the 100 free in 56.3, and Rosen placed third.

Connell also won the 200 free in 2:01.7, Dylan Stahl was second, and Franges third.

See FHS on Page A10



PRESS PHOTO BY NANCY SCHOLZ

Al Bell took first place Jake Everet and the LHS boys swim team got a win over Pocono Mountain West.

### LHS boys beat Pocono West

BY KATIE MCDONALD kmcdonald@tnonline.com

Liberty's boys' swim team hosted Pocono Mountain West on Dec. 18 when they defeated the Panthers, 91-67.

Collins, Addison Dylan Zukawski, Jonathan Drago, and Sam Capwell won the 200 medley relay with a time of 1:47.73.

Collins went on to win the 200 free in 1:59.51, and Jeffrey Eisenhardt was second in 2:18.42.

Sean McGuire took first place in the 200 IM in 2:22.26, Ryan Wycherlev came in second in 2:27.25, and Seth Cole-

man was third in 2:27.78. Drago won the 50 free in 23.92, and Capwell was right behind in 23.94.

Jake Evert placed first in the 100 butterfly in 57.39, and Coleman was third in 1:08.44.

Collins won the 100 free in 53.07, and Ben Service was second in 56.64.

In the 500 free, Daniel Lader placed first in 6:00.03, Eisenhardt was second in 6:28.34, and Kevin Conklin was third in 6:40.56.

The Hurricanes won the 200 free relay with

See LHS on Page A10



PRESS PHOTO BY NANCY SCHOLZ

Abby Mack and the Liberty swimming team recently knocked off Pocono Mountain West.

### SWIMMING

## Liberty girls defeat Pocono Mt. West

BY KATIE MCDONALD kmcdonald@tnonline.com

Liberty's girls' swim team's last meet before the Christmas break resulted in an 86-74 victory over Pocono Mountain West on Dec. 18 at Lib-

Talia Lehr, Emma Reilly, Kay Wetmore, and Sarah Park won the opening event, the 200 medley relay, with a

time of 2:04.12. Natalie Richardson took first place in the Pinter placed second in 2:16.77, and Monica Bruno was third in 2:27.78.

the 200 IM in 2:19.80, and Maddy Drager was sec-Wetmore was second ond in 5:52.03. with a time of 2:24.19.

first in the 50 free with the fastest time in the a time of 26.38, Lehr 200 free relay with a was second in 27.42, and time of 1:49.23. Treasa Burke was third in 29.67.

1:04.58, and Sarah Park in the 100 breaststroke was third in 1:11.77.

Hurricanes The 200 free in 2:14.90, Julia ey first in 59.58, Bruno the fastest time second in 1:05.09, and 3:57.76. Burke third in 1:06.11.

Abby Mack won the

Samantha Taylor won 500 free in 5:36.68, and

Lehr, Park, Richard-Greta Stuckey took son, and Stuckey swam

Taylor had the best time in the 100 back-Lehr came in first stroke in 1:02.80, and the 100 butterfly in Jackie Baker was fastest in 1:20.86.

In the 400 free relay, placed one-two-three in Pinter, Taylor, Wetthe 100 free with Stuck- more, and Mack swam

## Outdoors: Deer, small game seasons continue

BY NICK HROMIAK Special to the Press

For those of you who struck out on getting a buck or doe over the past archery, muzzle-loader and rifle deer seasons, you get another chance when the season reopens for archery and flintlock muzzleloader statewide on the traditional post Christmas seasons. Those seasons run Dec. 26-Jan. 12. If you hunt in WMUs 2B, 5C and 5D, that season PGC, says snowshoes, 30-percent live one year, runs from Dec. 26-Jan.

til Jan. 26, 2019, but only delphia counties.

opens Dec. 26 and continues until Feb. 28, 2019.

Snowshoe hare searuns Dec. 26-Jan. 1, 2019.

The snowshoe is a daylight occurs.

hare in deep snow while log. adding extra traction on

Chuck Fergas, of the years, only an estimated



Snowshoe hares are big woods rabbits that are challenging to hunt, especially with snow cover.

also known as Varying with 15-percent living Hares, can, when threat to age two. Aside from The extended fire- ened, burst from a sit- hunters, snowshoes fall arms season also kicks ting position and race to disease, parasites, off Dec. 26 and runs un- up to 30 miles per hour foxes, coyotes, bobcats, over ground or snow. weasels and some hawks for antlerless deer and They can leap 10 feet in and owls. in Allegheny, Bucks, one bound, dodge and Chester, Delaware, swim if forced into waswim if forced into wa- numbers are on the de-Montgomery and Phila-ter. And like cottontails, cline, hence the short lphia counties. snowshoes circle when season. Other factors But that's not all. chased making a large are less food as they If you're a small game circle as they're reluccompete with deer for hunter, squirrel, rabbit tant to leave their home the same food sources and pheasant season re- range. And its home and loss of habitat, the range can be from 5-30

For sportsmen hunt- cies. son also opens but to a ing them, especially much shorter season without a good hunting because of their limited dog, Fergus goes on to woods counties as hares numbers. Their season say that during the day, prefer deciduous forests snowshoes stay in a with conifers and escape "form," a small, natural cover such as rhodoneat looking rabbit in depression in leaf litter dendron and mountain it's coat is grey-brown or ground or one made laurel. Snowshoes live similar to a cottontail by its body resting there. in swamps where cerabbit over the summer A "form," he explains, dar, spruce or tamarack months, but turns white is often on a slight rise grow. The PGC says when winters lessen that provides drainage dense stands of aspen to keep it dry and see its or poplar, interspersed Snowshoes also dif-surroundings in case of with pines may also fer in that their ears are danger and can be under support hares. Ridgelonger and feet are larg- overhanging branches, tops mountains, high er and its four toes and in a clump of shrubs, tall soles are covered with weeds or at the base of a coarse hair that grows tree or stump. As they long in winter, hence don't build nests, they'll making its feet "snow- take shelter from hard shoes" that support the rain or snow in a hollow

> Since their life spans can be between 8-10 day.

Their latter also contributing to other small game spe-

Hunters should concentrate on hunting big with conifers and escape swamps and plateaus harbor most snowshoes.

With their small population numbers and tough hunting conditions, it's understandable why the harvest limit on them is one per

## Freedom girls top **Eastburg North**

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team scored a 132-31 victory over East Strouds- in 28.0, Twigger was sec- tiansen was third. burg North on Dec. 18 at East Stroudsburg.

Abby Burnette, ah Corrado, Sage Hillier, and Sophie Twigger opened the meet with a first place finish in the 200 medley relay with a

time of 2:09.0. The Patriots also won the 200 free relay with Corrado, Emily tice, Twigger, and Hallie Smith with a time of 1:59.8, and the 400 free relay with Smith, Jus-

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in the 500 free in 5:01.3,

Chand was second, and

Aadam Ameerally was

tice, Burnette, and Hill-came in third. ier with a time of 4:31.3.

ond, and Nicole Spaziani was third.

the 100 free in 1:08.5, Shannon Connelly was second, and Monika Ryszewska placed third.

in the 200 free in 2:21.7, Justice was second, and Connelly Cailin was

500 free in 6:23.0, Twigger was second, and Christiansen Grace

Freedom's girls' swim
Burnette won the 50 free in second, and Christiansen was third.

Justice took first in the 100 butterfly with a Spaziani then won time of 1:23.6, and Smith placed second.

In the 100 backstroke, Burnette finished in first place with a time Hillier took first place of 1:07.5, and Cailin Connelly came in third.

Corrado won the 100 breaststroke in 1:21.1, Scipioni Allesandra Hillier also won the placed second, and Kristi Cooper was third.

## Lots of changes for r with a time of 4:31.3. In individual events, IM in 2:42.2, Smith came Corrado won the 200 Flyers, Phantoms

BY CHUCK HIXSON Special to the Press

Remember in Batman how Commissioner Gordon used to shine that. big bat signal in the sky to summon Batman to his office? In this case, it wasn't a bat signal, it was a Phantoms logo and it wasn't Commissioner Gordon doing the summoning, it was coach Gordon – Scott Gordon – being alerted to trouble in Philadelphia. And oh dear. Gordon brought his sidekick Carter Hart (too bad his first name isn't Robin) with him for the trip down the turnpike to the Wells Fargo Center in Philadelphia.

Meanwhile, Flyers GM Chuck Fletcher, who sent up the Phantom signal, was doing a good job fighting off the bad guys in Philadelphia. Bof. Pow. Bang. Just like that, Fletcher took out coach Dave Hakstol, whose team had gone on a four-game crime spree with losses in Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver and had been outscored 22-8 during the

stretch. It appears that Hakstol's real crime was asking his boss for immunity from being fired even though the team had gone to Canada and stunk up the place. That discussion was on Monday morning and when Fletcher gave Hakstol an honest answer about how upset he was with what he had seen from the team, the two quickly decided to part ways, effective immediately.

Former Phantoms goalie Alex Lyon, who was in Philadelphia because of an injury to backup Anthony Sto- on Monday, but did

injury to Brian Elliott, is back at Lehigh Valley after a weak showing in the Flyers loss in Vancouver. It's unclear when Hart will make returned to practice birth of his daughter on Saturday. Rest assured though that the Flyers don't want Hart picking up a bunch of bench time being an NHL spectator and it's likely that he'll he's with the team.

AHL, he has played re- a permanent basis. Gorally well lately and is don coached the Islandparently was enough of well. Joel Quenneville Flyers that he should be in Philadelphia even at best and he's likely to be facing a tough task the pipes for his NHL debut.

Overall, Hart is 9-5-2 with the Phantoms and in 17 games has a 3.05 goals against average and a .901 save percentage in his first AHL stint. The convincing part is that in his last five games, Hart is 4-1 .939 save percentage. professional shutout on the Phantoms.

CONVERSATIONS THAT MATTER that he had zero inten- shey Bears. tion of firing Hakstol

larz, who was in Phil- admit that the disapadelphia because of an pointing loss in Calgary last Wednesday made him realize that he wasn't going to keep Hakstol on long-term. When Hakstol asked for reassurance about his his NHL debut since job security, push came goalie Michal Neuvirth to shove and the coach was packing his things. Monday afternoon after In fact, things happened leaving the team for the so quickly that Gordon wasn't with the team for their afternoon practice.

THE RUMOR MILL ... So, just how long will Gordon stick in Philadelphia? According to Fletcher, his time with get some ice time while the Flyers is an official audition, as the GM While Hart hasn't mentioned Gordon as a been tearing up the candidate for the job on starting to show that ers from 2008-2010, but he truly belongs. It ap- that didn't exactly go a performance to con- has been mentioned as vince Fletcher and the a candidate for as long as anybody can remember, but Fletcher slowed though the team's de- the rumor mill when fense has been porous he was asked about the former Blackhawks coach during his Monwhen he goes between day press conference, stating "I haven't talked to Joel in probably over two years.

MEANWHILE THE PPL CENTER Gordon's assistant with the Phantoms, Kerry Huffman, was named the "acting" coach – something just below interim - until the Flyers figure with a 1.82 GAA and a out what they're going to do to fill the spot at least He also notched his first until Gordon would return from Philadelphia. Dec. 7 as a member of It's likely that Huffman will be behind the bench Wednesday night when the Phantoms return Fletcher was insistent home against the Her-

#### Bell also won the 200 IM in 2:04.9, and Domi-

third.

PHS

Continued from page A9 Capwell, Andrew Layne, Coleman, and Zukawski nic Fresoli placed third.

Luke McClure placed second in the 100 butter- Bell combined to win the fly, and Stahl was third. in the 100 backstroke.

Sahil Shah won the free relay in 3:47.3. breaststroke 1:10.9, and Michael We-

hbe placed third. Stahl, McClure, Connell, and 200 free relay in 1:43.7, Fresoli placed second and Connell, Bell, Stahl, and Fresoli won the 400

with a time of 1:42.32.

vice, Caleb Stein, and Evert had the fastest John Jones had the fast-

1:00.49, and Evert, Ser-

time in the 100 back- est time in the 400 free stroke with a time of relay in 3:44.05.

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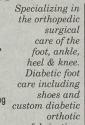
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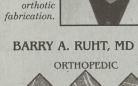
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## Borough taxes will rise next year

BY MARK KIRLIN Special to the Bethlehem Press

In a nearly unani-

mous vote of 5 to 1, Hel-

lertown Council passed

an increase in property

taxes by .75 mills in the

2019 budget. The .75 mill

increase is equivalent to

approximately \$75 a year

for properties assessed at \$100,000. The only no

vote came from brand

new council member An-

drew Hughes, who is in

the process of getting up

to speed. Council mem-

ber James Hill was not

the meeting evolved

from concerns by citi-

zens about a rumor of

laying off two police of-

borough's budget. Fund-

ing came from gaming

grants dispersed by the

county gaming author-

state law, the county

authority has been dis-

to Council President

Thomas Rieger, "this

problem resides with the

continued.

With a change in

According

to funding and taxes.

The comments during

present at the meeting.

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HELLERTOWN



PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

ficers, to dispelling the Hellertown Mayor David Heitzelman (left) rumor and how it relates swears in St. Theresa School students Alex and Originally the two of- Henry as honorary "mayors for a day" as their ficers were never in the Mom and Dad look on.

rumors of two layoffs Rieger explained one full are false. He noted the time officer alone costs borough is funding one the borough \$130,000 of those officers out of with benefits. the general fund tax

Rieger did say the the community can't do.

dollars and to fund the "as everybody knows, second, the tax increase Hellertown has I think would be 2 mills, and going to be the highest to Heitzelman, this is the same the following rate in Northampton meant to "educate our year, which he believes County. We are fast children of the future."

approaching the max millage the borough can tax."

In addition, Rieger noted the borough is facing challenges, including rising costs such as an insurance increase of 6.2 percent and contractual raises which went up 2.5 to 3 percent in the police and public works department.

Rieger went onto say, "at the end of the day it's not taking a thousand dollars here, it's we're no longer doing road paving or we're no longer going to have x department; that's the type of money we're talking about here."

In other news, in a fundraising initiative for St. Theresa School in Hellertown, Mayor David Heitzelman presented students Alex and Henry the honor of being "mayor for a day." At a pre-arranged date and time, Alex and Henry will be picked up at their home by a police car and According to Rieger, given a tour of what the mayor and police department do. According

## District hires a new assistant supt.

**SAUCON VALLEY** 

BY MARK KIRLIN Special to the Bethlehem Press

School Board unanimously approved the hiring of new Assistant Superintendent Dr. Rosenberger Kristine for a term of three years at \$120,000 per year. Rosenberger will be replacing Dr. Susan Mowrer-Benda, who recently

The Saucon Valley and instruction at the tion and highlighted her Pleasant Valley School District.

Rosenberger will be leaving her current position as Associate Principle at Governor Mifflin gratulated her hiring Senior HS in Shilling- and thanked her for her Senior HS in Shillington, Berks County. Superintendent Dr. Craig five separate interviews Butler said he's excited resigned to take over as about the expertise that She was invited to the director of curriculum she brings to the posi- podium to make a few

prior experience as a director of teaching and learning and as a director of curriculum.

In addition, he con-"perseverance" for the that were conducted.

comments. Rosenberger said, "I'm really looking forward to working with the team, with the communities and representing the district well."

In other news, per the state of Pennsylvania's requirement for reorganization under the school code, the board held its annual vote on officers such as president and vice president.

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PRESS PHOTOS BY STEPHEN ALTHOUSE

Members of the "Three Kings" musical group perform various holiday classics during the "Holiday on the Southside" event Dec. 7 at Tranquility Park in Southside Bethlehem.

### Holiday on the Southside

Tranquility Park, located at 727 E. Fourth St. in Bethlehem, hosted a"Holiday on the Southside" event Dec. 7. Southside residents and elected officials witnessed the lighting of a holiday tree and participated in singing various holiday carols. The event, sponsored in part by the Community Action Development Corporation of Bethlehem, included remarks from Pennsylvania Southside Branch. Rep. Steve Samuelson, Bethlehem City

Councilwoman Olga Negron and Anna Smith of the CADCB. The Three Kings musical group also performed holiday tunes, as members of the Lynfield Community Center and the community at-large sang along. Following the event, cookies and hot chocolate refreshments were offered at the Bethlehem Public Library's



Santa Claus takes time out of his busy schedule to attend the "Holiday on the Southside" event Dec. 7.



Pennsylvania Rep. Steve Samuelson, left, makes remarks to the crowd attending the "Holiday on the Southside" event Dec. 7 at Tranquility Park in Southside Bethlehem.

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Santa Claus with various youth who attended the "Holiday on the Southside" event Dec. 7.

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### BRIEFLY

**BETHLEHEM** Ice rink open

for public skating

The Earl E. Schaffer Municipal Ice Rink, 345 Illick's Mill Road, opened for public skating Nov. 9. Afternoon public sessions are from 2 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Evening sessions are from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Friday and Saturdays.

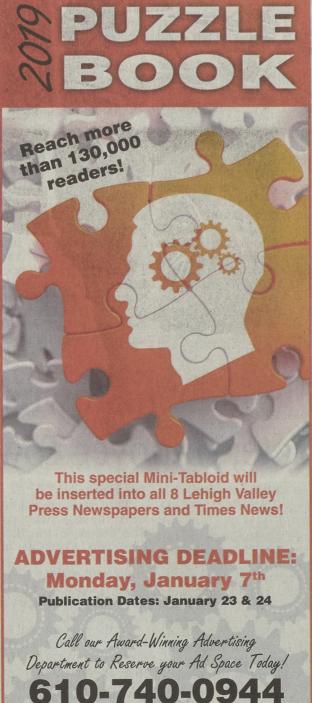
Season passes for residents and non-residents of Bethlehem may be purchased in the recreation office, Room 506, city hall, 10 E. Church St., or at the rink.

Group skating lessons for ages three and up are available Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays. Family lessons are available on Saturdays. The rink is available for hockey rentals, school and private group rentals and birthday parties. Call the recreation office, 610-865-7081, for availability and reserva-



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### **ANOTHER VIEW** Making state legislature smaller no easy task

"I got it close, but I couldn't get it over the goal line." That's the way state Rep. Jerry Knowles,

R-Schuylkill-Carbon, described his effort to shepherd a bill through the General Assembly to reduce the size of the House of Representatives from 203 to 151 mem-

"We were one procedural vote away from getting this on the ballot, the closest we have ever come," he said.

The bill, which was for all intents and purposes dead as a doornail in October after some fancy political chicanery, officially succumbed on Dec. 1, when the legislative session ended. As a result, everything resets, and we go back to square one.

In an exclusive interview with me, Knowles said he doesn't know whether he has the "fire in the belly" to reintroduce the bill in the new session. He said he will make a decision between now and the middle of January to determine whether he will lead the effort in the new session or whether he will encourage someone else to take up the charge.

Knowles has been in the forefront of this six-year effort to reduce the size of the state House of Representatives from its current 203 members to 151. The original bill left the 50-member state Senate intact.

But two months ago, when three Republicans joined 14 Democrats on the House Rules Committee to amend Knowles' original bill to include a reduction in the number of senators from 50 to 38, its death knell rang.

This was the poison pill that doomed the legislation, because there was little support in the Senate for a reduction in its number, although the Senate was willing to go along with the House reduction.

Knowles' bill would have called for a constitutional amendment to let voters decide. Approving such an amendment is difficult, because it requires the House and Senate to pass identical bills in consecutive legislative sessions, after which the legislation must be approved by the voters. Both houses did pass Knowles'

bill once, but not twice.

There is no question in my mind that if a bill on legislature reduction gets on the ballot, it will be approved overwhelm-

"I can't tell you how disappointed I was," Knowles said. He said originally there appeared to be a lot of enthusiasm for the bill, "but it turned out to be false enthusiasm," Knowles added.

Knowles described it this way: He feels that some legislators signed on as co-sponsors to make them look good to the public, but all along they expected that the bill would go nowhere. When the bill began to get traction, it took some of them by surprise and they became concerned that maybe they would wind up losing their jobs.

"They played games and blew up the bill," Knowles said, laying the blame squarely at the feet of House Minority Leader Frank Dermody, D-Allegheny, who was recently re-elected to that position.

Knowles wants to make sure that the true mission of this bill is not overlooked amid all of the political noise and shenanigans that have torpedoed it. "The whole purpose of this bill is to give voters a chance to make a decision on how big a Legislature they want," he said.

There is no question in my mind that if a bill on legislature reduction gets on the ballot, it will be approved overwhelmingly. Pennsylvania has the second-largest Legislature in the nation, next only to New Hampshire, which pays its part-time representatives a pittance. Members of the Pennsylvania General Assembly are making at least nearly \$89,000 as of Dec. 1, second-highest paid in the nation next to California.

While he is frustrated by the political games being played, Knowles said that he has not taken it personally. "I don't think it has anything to do with me," he said.

He realizes that it would take courage to pass a bill such as this because it could essentially mean the end of the road for 52 of his colleagues.

"It scares the bejesus out of them," he said. Knowles said he admires the framers of the state Constitution, who made it "really hard" to change the charter. When you think that more than 3,000 bills get introduced each session, but only a few pass, you can just imagine how tough it is to get a constitutional amendment passed, he explained.

Reducing the number of House members would save taxpayers an estimated \$15 million annually, according to a House study.

Of course, there is some opposition within the House itself. Aside from the practical matter of eliminating their own jobs, some House members are concerned that newer, enlarged districts would be too unwieldy and would not allow them to be as in touch with their constituents. Under the plan, the average population of a House district would be about 85,000, compared to the

With today's wondrous technological advances in communication, legislators have all sorts of contact alternatives with constituents compared to the "old days."

By Bruce Frassinelli | tneditor@tnonline.com



### Sands employees support Sassy Massey



**PHOTO COURTESY SANDS CASINO & RESORT** 

Employees at the Sands Bethlehem Casino collected over 350 toys, crafts, books and puzzles through the 'Sands Cares' holiday toy drive in October and November. On Dec. 12, they turned the collection over to Sassy Massey Foundation volunteer Mike Fritts, and co-founders Janelle Massey and Jim Massey, parents of Jillian Massey, for whom the Foundation is named. Jillian passed away in December 2017 after a nearly two-year battle with brain cancer. While undergoing treatment at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Jillian created the Sassy Massey toy drive to benefit other kids undergoing treatment at CHOP It continues in her memory, benefiting children ages 1 to 18 when they are hospitalized, through the efforts of many, including the Sands Casino.

## Council approves appointments

Special to the Bethlehem Press

Commissioners made several routien appointments Dec. 12, approving the appointment of Kyle A. Russell to the position of warden of the county jail. Previously the board signaled approval by voting for Russell's appointment in a preliminary or first hearing vote.

Sarah Andrew was reappointed to the Aging and Adult Services Advisory Council, while Patrick Palmer was appointed to the council. The votes were unanimous, except for Commissioner Percy Dougherty, who was absent.

third appointee, Robbie Matthews, was also approved but with- functions in the County costs. out the support of Councilwoman Amy Zanelli, who voted against the appointment; she said she wasn't convinced qualifica-Matthew's tions were suitable for the job.

The commissioners also approved leases of agricultural land with three farms to lease county land. This included a 10-acre plot east of Leaser Lake leased to Let Farms, Inc., with offices on Mantz Road in Germansville, Let Farms, Inc. which has an existing lease for the

seven acres at the intersection of Broadway South Township to Weinhofer Farms, LLC of WhiteLEHIGH COUNTY





PRESS PHOTOS BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

LEFT: Frank Gerlach, a case worker with the Office of Crises Intervention thanked the Commissioners for their support for the nonunion employees. RIGHT: Lehigh County Executive Phillips Armstrong presented an analysis of Lehigh County's Taxes calculated in terms of how many pennies of each dollar

Lehigh County Executive Phillips Armstrong presented an analysis of Lehigh County's Taxes calculated in terms of how many pennies of each dollar is spent on the various functions in the

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Commissioners gave Commissioners also approval to a contract and Cedarbrook Road approved a lease of Tract with William G. Sherr Whitehall 1 through Tract 5, com- for title services in conprising 233 acres of the nection with Sheriff's

contract with The will also lease 21 acres Leroy C. Stahler, Inc. Magellan Behavioral

proved by commissioners for the fifth program

Commissioners also gave preliminary approval for a lease with Adams Outdoor Advertising for a 3.5-acre site near the northeast end of the Hamilton Street bridge. Adams will maintain an advertising sign on the site. They will pay \$7,325 per year for the lease.

The county coroner will get a new Ford Explorer and replace obsolete equipment with new X-ray equipment as per an amendment of the 2018-22 Capital Plan approved by the commissioners.

Harold J. Eyer was honored by the Lehigh County Commissioners on the occasion of his 100th birthday. Mr. Eyer was not in attendance for the bestowed honor.

Frank Gerlach, a case worker with the Office of Crisis Intervention, thanked the commissioners for their support for the non-union employees during this year's budget hearings.

"The Human Services Department is really struggling all over," he said. "We're on the front lines—we need all the help we can get.'

"Take care of people in human services," said Gerlach. "Let's take care of workers -look beyond the numbers. We have the same goals. Let's work together and accomplish those goals."

Commissioners also gave preliminary approval to salary levels for Lehigh County row

## Bethlehem Township increasing tax rate; Hanover Township holds line

BY BERNIE O'HARE

Special to the Bethlehem Press

At their Dec. 17 meeting, Bethlehem Town-Commissioners voted 4-1 for a 9 percent property tax hike in 2019. Voting 'Yes' were Vice President Malissa Davis and commissioners Kristine Blake, John Gallagher and John Merhotten. Voting 'No' was President Mike Hudak. He voted against both the budget and a fire tax policy that restricts the anticipated fire tax revenue to the acquisition of next year.

fire vehicles. This decision follows

three budget hearings. The proposed spending plan was available on and could also be physically inspected at the municipal building over the past 30 days.

At the current real estate tax of 7.09 mills, the annual tax bill is \$647 for collected through a fire the average taxpayer. tax must be set aside in With an increase in millage to 7.74 mills, taxes may be used only for the will increase to \$705 for the average homeowner teer fire departments.

In addition to real es- message, Manager Doug

imposes an earned in- reasons. Under negotiatcome tax (0.5 percent). The average annual earned income tax paythe township website ment per household is cent. Health insurance \$415, and will remain unchanged.

For the first time, the township has imposed a fire tax set at 0.15 mills. Under state law, money a separate account and township's two volun-

In a detailed budget

tate taxes, the township Bruce's cites several ed union contracts, wages have increased between two and three per costs have risen 8.7 percent. Debt service next year on four loans over the past nine years will be over \$2 million. The cost of the pension funds has increased \$100,000. Workers compensation insurance has skyrocketed 27 percent. Unfunded stormwater mandates will cost \$250,000-750,000

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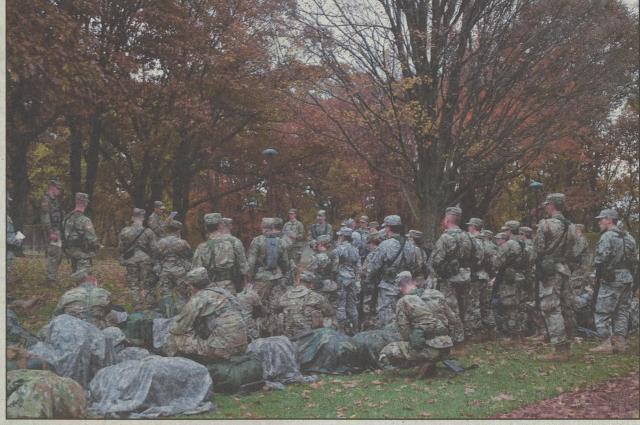
New Assistant Superintendent Dr. Kristine Rosenberger speaks to the school board after her appointment is approved by the board.

Continued from page 12 Susan Baxter was unanimously approved as the new president of the board. She previously held the vice president position. She will be replacing Michael Karabin, who served in that role for the past seven years. The board also unanimously voted in Dr. Shamim Pakzad as the new Vice President.

In speaking of outgoing Karabin, Pakzad said, "I never realized

how important and involved this job is and it's only been the past year that I've gained a lot of appreciation for both the role and the way Mike has conducted himself... for your service."

Other members of the board repeated Pakzad's sentiments. Karabin characterized his time as President as a "somewhat pleasurable experience" and said it was time to give others a chance to get acquainted with officer positions.



PRESS PHOTOS BY LESLIE REGAN

Lehigh ROTC members await instructions for their helicopter training lab Nov. 2 at the university's and I want to thank you Mountaintop Campus. The cadets often participate in intense training sessions and simulations.

## **ROTC/RangerChallenge** Lehigh team places 2nd

BY LESLIE REGAN Special to the Bethlehem Press

Students at Lehigh University have the opportunity to take part in Military Science classes (Army ROTC) as an elective, in addition to their general undergraduate coursework. ROTC cadets learn leadership qualities and team building through intensive physical training, which often takes place at 5 a.m. before other classes begin. Army personnel teach cadets self-discipline, critical thinking skills, as well as many other qualities that will help shape the students into well-rounded and courageous individuals.

Participating in ROTC also opens up the possibility of receiving academic scholarships. After finishing a baccalaureate degree, as well as the requirements in the ROTC program, a student can obtain a commission as a second lieutenant and become eligible for assignment with the Active or Reserve/Army National Guard Forces of the U.S.

Army The ROTC has training labs as well as classes to create simulations of real military scenarios. Some of their field training exercises consist of breaking down into squads to figure out how to execute the training. All squads are given a mission and have to go through procedures as a team to execute missions in the field.

Lehigh ROTC has a Ranger Challenge team, a prestigious club within the program that sends students to an intensive inter-school competition every fall that tests ability to succeed in rigorous tasks such as land navigation, weapons assembly, evaluating and moving casualties, and extreme obstacle courses. Le



An ROLC leader speaks to cadets about their mission. They will be split into squads and given a range of tasks to complete.



Kevin Loughlin, sergeant of the Ranger Challenge team, enjoys time with fellow cadet Micheal Bastidas. Loughlin has an instrumental role in the Ranger Challenge Team.



ROTC cadets gather to undergo training, They are overseen by Army personnel and superior cadets.

high's Ranger Challenge team committed to many hours of training and returned to campus before the semester began to start training.

The team meets 18-20 hours a week outside of other ROTC classes and training. All the hard work paid off, according to Team Captain Jacob Matus.

"There are 44 teams that compete from all over the northeast," Matus explained. "This year, we came in second overall after coming in third last year, so we did pretty well all around."

Kevin Loughlin, sergeant of the Ranger Challenge team, said everyone involved in the competition works tirelessly, devoting a significant amount of time preparing for and participating in the competition.

"It was pretty commendable how much work people put into it because it's cadets from Lafayette, Lehigh, DeSales, but they all put in a lot of effort regardless of where you go to school," Loughlin said. "To see it all come together in the end is pretty huge."

Lehigh's team stands out among the other schools. In addition to the strong physical condition of the team, its members have formed a close-knit group and share a sense of community

"What we are doing is a lot of skill-based and physical stuff, but probably one of the most important things is the team chemistry," Matus said. "We are all pretty close friends, which I think separates us from a lot of the other teams.'

The close bond that brigade members share allows them to collaborate and succeed even when faced with challenging tasks.

### LINE

per year. Also, the township can no longer count on any casino grants, upon which it relied for \$250,000 per year. Bruce describes the township a "mature, nearly builtout municipality where annual revenues have not quite been keeping up with annual expenses for the better part of a decade.'

There was no discussion before the budget vote from any of the commissioners or the

"We're \$17 million in debt, we have some fire trucks we need to purchase, hence my Yes vote," explained Commissioner John Merhotten. "I'd love to go through the budget with Bethlehem Township. explain what we're not paying

The audience included NorCo GOP Chair Continued from page A14 Lee Snover, who left the meeting soon after the

Hudak called the fire tax a "feel good" measure that won't really accomplish anything.

Meanwhile, in near-by Hanover Township (NC), supervisors adopted their 10th straight notax-hike budget at their Dec. 18 meeting. Manager Jay Finnigan credits their 0.50 mill fire tax as one of the main reasons. It enables the township to plan ahead for major capital purchases without incurring debt. The millage rate, which has remained the same since 2008 and includes the fire tax mills, will remain at 3.90 mills. This is about half that of

Hanover Township has been debt free for the past three years.

### **COLLEGE NOTES**

### **Penn State Lehigh Valley**

Certified REcovery training Jan. 26

Penn State Lehigh Valley will hold Certified Recovery Specialist training from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays beginning Jan. 26 at the Lehigh Valley campus, 2809 Saucon Valley Road, Center Valley.

CRS personnel assist others in recovery from substance use disorders. Those with direct experience in addiction and recovery are welcome to register. The program meets current Pennsylvania Certifi-

cation Board educational requirements in recovery management, education and advocacy, professional ethics and responsibility, confidentiality and more that is relevant to field of addiction. For questions, email att3@psu.edu or call 610-285-5026.

Penn State University's local campus is located at 2809 Saucon Valley Road, Center Valley. For information, call 610-285-5000 or visit www.lv.psu.edu.

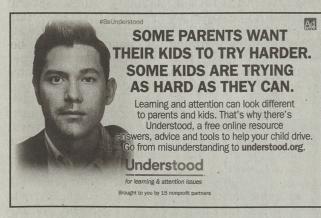
### **Northampton Community College**

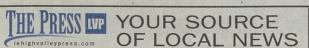
Nurse Aide program info Jan. 9, 22

There will be information sessions for Northampton Community College's Nurse Aide program at 6 p.m. on Jan. 9 and 22 at the Fowler Family Southside Center, 511 E. Third St. The evenings will cover NCC's training program and how to get started.

Classes to prepare for nurse aide certification begin on Feb. 9. To enroll, visit www.northampton.edu/HealthcareCourses.

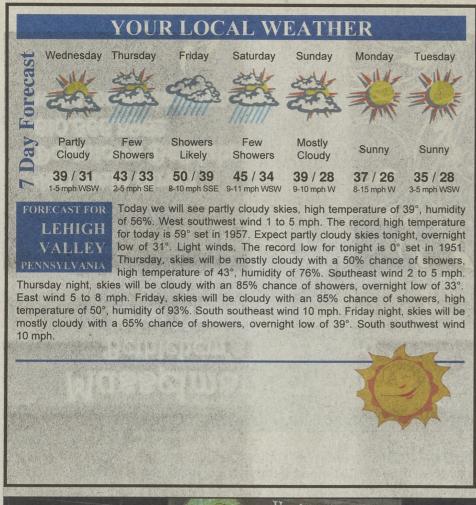
Northampton Community College's main campus is located at 3835 Green Pond Road. The Fowler Family Southside Center is located at 511 E. Third St. For information, call 610-861-5000 or visit www.northampton.edu.

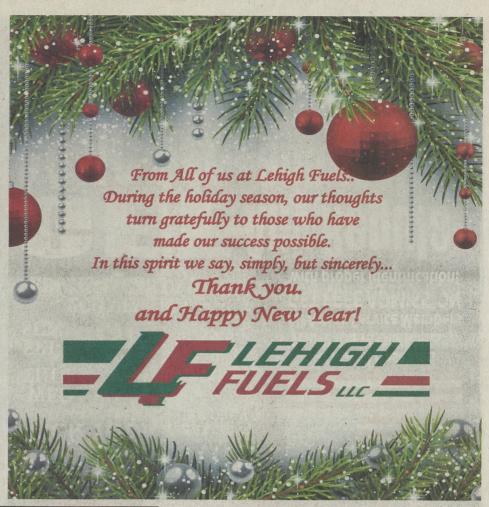






The Lehigh Ranger Challenge Team: Dominique Voitek, Palmer Ferrara, Alex Duke, Micheal Bastidas, Haley Aversa, Kevin Loughlin, Jacob Matus, Aidan Frick, Sam Fishbein, Anna Katz and Lucas King. Team member Bradley Au did not attend.



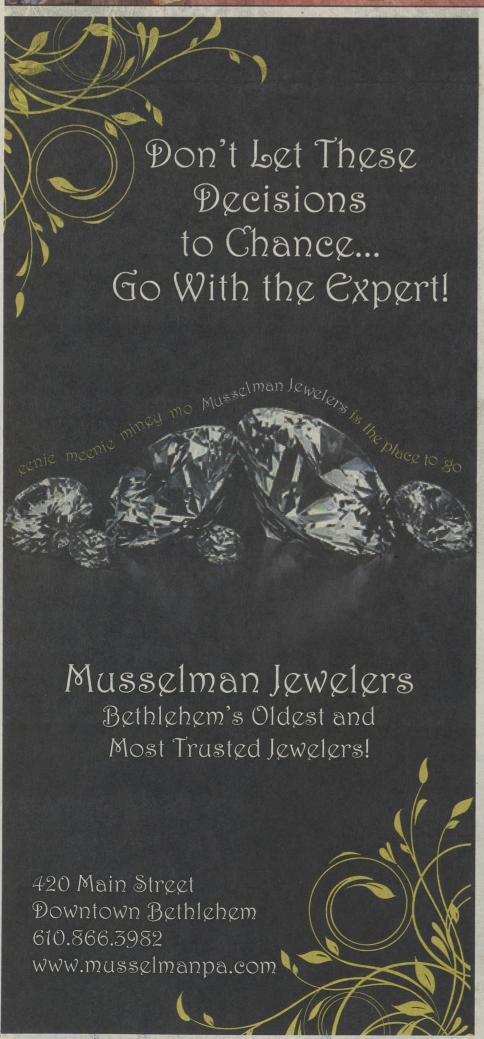




### NCC Chorus presents 'Candlelight Carol'

Northampton Community College Chorus performed its annual holiday concert on the Main Campus in the Lipkin Theater Nov. 30. Its 90-plus member vocal ensemble's theme was "A Candlelight Carol," representing the magic and spiritual image of the quintessential candle through the repertory of songs. The goal was to encourage unity and bring all religious backgrounds together during the holiday season. The NCC choir director is Rosemary Murdy-Haber. Concerts are free, though a small food/money donation is encouraged. This goes toward local food banks. The spring concert is set for Friday, April 26, 2019, featuring an entire concert of LOVE SONGS. New members are always welcome.

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### Romantic-comedies, musicals and renovation



"The Next Act" capital capaign to renovate and reopen its historic Nineteenth Street Theatre, namesake of Allentown's West End Theatre District.

of note in ABEs-land, as (ABEs) Lehigh Valley Press Focus awards for of Northampton Community College's Sumwhich consistently drew ship main campus. NCC, which combines professional and local talent in its productions, promonths, including three musicals.

summer theater season Montgomery County.
was especially vibrant, led by the 27th season tion wasn't the only area Shakespeare Festival and the 38th annual sea- lenging topic. son of Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre.

As Carole Gorney, a reviewer for Lehigh Valley Press Focus, noted in her overview (Focus, Aug. 17) of the 2018 Lehigh Valley summer son with autism. theater seaons: "Lehigh Valley theater groups Area High School dra- Dance really upstaged them- ma club presented the which selves the summer of still-topical "The Dia-2018 with a total of 20 ry Of Anne Frank" by tions in three months, odrich and Albert Hackmore than half of which ett. were lavish musicals."

highlighting the annual drama.

ductions in 2018.

Theatre of Allentown's high schools present successful \$5.5-million dramas in the fall and musicals in winter and by Dawn Ouellette.

presented a student pro- reviews in 2017, 39 reduction of "26 Pebbles," playwright Eric Ulloa's drama about the 2012 2014. The other 2018 story tragic shooting in which of note in ABEs-land, as 20 students and six adult seen many changes in in the 13th annual Allenstaff members died at the Lehigh Valley jourtown-Bethlehem-Easton Sandy Hook Elementa- nalistic community in

forming Arts, Parkland lancer while a South-School District, who ern Lehigh High School mer Theatre season, directed "26 Pebbles," crowds to its shows on for Parkland to present in "The Night Of Januthe Bethlehem Town- the important piece as ary 16th" and went on a in December at the International Thespian val, Stratford, Conn.). duced five shows in two Society Pennsylvania onths, including three State Conference in Deusicals.

State Conference in Deusicals.

Cember at North Penn started the Sigleys, The region's 2018 High School, Lansdale, named for theater re-

drama tackling a chal-

The Emmaus High more. School drama department presented "The Producer: Muhlen-Curious Incident Of The berg Summer Music Dog In The Night-time,"

The produc- playwrights Frances Go-

ere lavish musicals." At Salisbury High While the ABEs typ-School, where Director ically laud community Will Erwin encouraged and professional theater students to stage, diin the Lehigh Valley, rect and crew their own and the Focus section plays in a "One-Act Fesannually runs its "High tival," in lieu of a tra-School Musicals" series, ditional full-length fall

Freddy Awards competition, special mention features articles and in-In addition to many should be made of high terviews run in advance school fall drama pro- of area theater productions, including nation-Typically, because of al touring productions The big news for the Lehigh Valley theater community in 2018, was, of course, Civic Theatre of Allentown's ole Gorney, 17 theater reviews by Paul Wil-listein, and one review

That compares, for Parkland High School example, to 35 theater views in 2016, 38 reviews in 2015 and 31 reviews in

As a final note, we've ry School in Newtown, 2018. Yours truly noted his 50th year as a prolocally-produced the Mark A Stutz, Directory fessional journalist, ater, was the success tor of Visual and Perstarting as a paid freejunior (where I played spearheaded the effort District Attorney Flint its fall play, which was Faye Sprandel English chosen to be performed class trip to the American Shakespeare Festi-

While at The Globenewspaper, I the Sigleys, viewer Dan Sigley. Soon after starting at Lehigh Valley Press, the ABEs of The Pennsylvania fall high school theater began. This is our lucky 13th ABEs. Here's hoping there are many

> Theatre: Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre (MSMT) works closely



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Frankie Grande, Meredith Kate Doyle, "How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying," Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre



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Producer: Muhlen- Nkrumah Gatling, at piano, "Ragtime," Pennsylvania Shakespeare

his sister, pop star Ar- Makeup Designer Joe a teacup; Madame de la

iana Grande, and her Dulude II and Wig and Grande Bouche (Jenna then boyfriend Pete Hair Stylist Kim Dan-Leigh Miller), a dresser with the Muhlenberg Davidson of "Saturday ish created believable with drawers, and the Northampton College Theatre and Night Live," to the west representations of the Beast (Alan Mendez, Department, Allentown campus to inanimate objects the dashing underneath the which The Princeton see the musical. To top castle-keepers turned costume). The cast of Review 2019 edition of it off, "Beauty And The into: Cogsworth (Bob 35, which included an "The Best 384 Colleges" Beast" opened MSMT's Fahringer, wonderful as Ensemble of 20, was caranked No. 9 for "Best 38th annual season. Sce-College Theater," plac-ing the program among Morris gave the MSMT with solid comedic tim-reographer Ann Cooley, the Top 12 in the United production a delightful ing), a candlelabra; Ba- and Music Director Ed States in 10 of the past 11 storybook feel, working bette (Allison Bloechl), Bara, with an 11-piece years. MSMT generated with Lighting Designer a feather duster; Mrs. orchestra. The musical star power with "How Gertjan Houben. Magic Potts (Lauren Curnow, opened with a prologue To Suceed In Business Consultant David Caser- in a tremendous turn narration with images Without Really Trying" ta added to the stage- and voice), a teapot; projected on a frame at lead Frankie Grande's craft. Costume Coordi- Chip (Nathaniel Rock, stage center. "Belle," performance bringing nator Barbara Erin Delo, who was just perfect), the opening number was



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Christian Coulson, "King Richard II," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival



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Mairin Lee, "King Richard II," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival



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Eric Hissom. "All's Well That Ends Well," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival



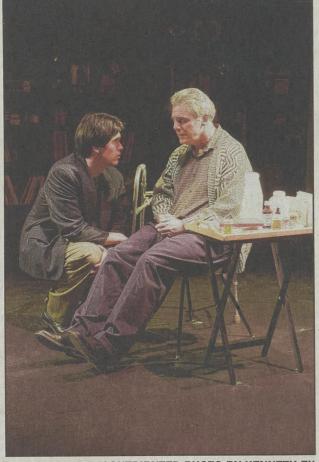
### **ABES**

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sung by Belle (Ashley Hiester, Lehigh Valley summer theater season's breakout star), Gaston (Jon McHatton, in terrific form and vocals), Lefou (Noah Sunday-Lefkowitz, a great scene-stealer), the Three Silly Girls (Danielle Costanzo, Maura McColgan, Elissa Wells) and the Townspeople. "No Mat-ter What" was earnest-ly sung by Hiester and Neil Hever (Maurice). In addition, MSMT again teamed with Atlas Circus Company for "Tal: Beyond Imagination," a "world-premiere circus performance for kids, parents and everyone

Director, Musical, Charles Richter, "How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying," Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre: With music and lyrics by Frank Loesser and book by Abe Burrows, Jack Weinstock and Willie Gilbert, and based on the 1952 parody book by Shepherd Mead, the terrifically-entertaining musical was directed with impish charm by MSMT co-founder Charles Richter. "How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying" at Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre succeeded like nobody's business because everybody was trying and yet they made it all appear so effortless.

Musical: "Ragtime," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. "Ragtime" is profoundly relevant to contemporary societal problems in the United States. In the hands of



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From left: Will Morris, Barry Glassman, "Tuesdays With Morrie," Civic Theatre of Allentown

rector Dennis Razze, of Labuda Center for the who directed PSF sea- Performing Arts, Deson-opening musicals, including "Evita," 2017; "Ragtime" opened PSF's "Ragtime" opened PSF's "The annual season." "Dictators 4 Dumusicals; "Oklahoma!," 2013, "Ragtime" was another PSF blockbuster Nkrusof Tomogram Telethon" PSF blockbuster. Nkru- of Tomorrow Telethon" mah Gatling (Coalhouse was the fictional tele-Walker, Jr.) had incred-ible charisma and a for the musical satire, voice that reached the "Dictators 4 Dummies," back rows. Destinee Rea written and directed (Sarah) had a wonder- by Christopher Shorr, ful stage presence and with input from fellow a stunning voice. Razze directed "Ragtime" with a superb sense of showmanship, astounding and lyrics are based production values, and on Shorr's "The Fasa cast of lead performers cist Playbook," a list he

Associate Artistic Di- and onto the Main Stage

Shake- who seemingly stepped has been compiling for speare Festival (PSF) off the Broadway stage years about authoritar-



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Jack Miller, "Brighton Beach Memoirs," Pennsylvania Playhouse



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"Hairspray," Munopco Music Theatre

ian tactics. Shorr's bit- trayed J. Pierrepoint Pennsylvania

Karen and backed by a 10-piece ing.

dances, acts) as was the cast members on stage precision on-point poise, in stunning choreograthe effect was amazing. Actor.

Frankie ly Trying," Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre. Frankie Grande por- speare In Love,"

ing satire could not have Finch at his jaunty, hysdiscredit critics, the media, and destroy trust in facts. (Including spectatap and lieve In You," the American Songbook standard Dearborn, his own winsome inter-

orchestra with Music Ensemble, Musi- es.
Director Bryan L. Wade. cal: "Million Dollar" **Tessa Grady**, "42nd ty Playhouse. Yes, it's the Professional Theater Street," Bucks County a jukebox musical, i.e., category. innocent insecurity and tet," which replicates can-do bravado. She has the legendary Dec. 6, to be one of the fastest 1956, jam session of Elspins, in place, and even phis, Tenn. Ari McKay backwards. Grady is Wilford (Elvis Presley) sociate Hunter Foster. upright. John Michael disguise to audition for With at least one dozen Presney (Carl Perkins) "Romeo And Julliet." has the guitar chops to tapping in unison, with lead the band. Sky Seals tian Coulson, "King (Johnny Cash) not only has the bass-baritone, phy by Jeremy Dumont, guitar-strumming and amazing. speaking voice down Musical: for "The Man In Black," Grande, he just about steals the "How To Succeed In show as a kind of rein-Business Without Real- carnation of the country icon.

Play:

speare Festival. You've been more relevant as it terical best. Grande did heard of a couple's movexposed through humor it all: act, song and dance ie? PSF's "Shakespeare all-too-familiar ploys to (including speed-tap and In Love" was a couple's play. The romance between Shakespeare (Luigi Sottile, a buff Bard) Choreography: with Finch (Grande in and Viola De Lesseps (sensitively-intense "How To Suceed In pretation) and The Men, Mairin Lee) is tinged Business Without Real- and "Brotherhood Of with youthful enthusily Trying," Muhenberg Man," the show's signa- asm and rounded out Summer Music Theatre. ture showstopper, with by life's circumstances. The cast of 17 and an additional 11 in the Ensemble Dobro), Biggley, Miss ducing Artistic Directions of the cast of 17 and 27 tounded out ture showstopper, with by life's circumstances. Biggley, Miss ducing Artistic Directions of the cast of 17 and 27 tounded out ture showstopper, with by life's circumstances. ble were put through Jones (Krystal Hall belts tor Patrick Mulcahy, their paces by Choreogitout) and the Male Engage Transfer Faren Dearborn semble, were outstand-was a romantic-comedy for the ages and the sag-

Original Play: No Actress, Musical: Quartet," Bucks Coun- ABE awarded for 2018 in

Playhouse. Tessa Grady hit after hit hung on a played Peggy Sawyer storyline on stage, but with a combination of "Million Dollar Quar- In Love," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. As Viola De Lesseps), Mairin Lee is never the tap-dancers ever. Her vis Presley, Jerry Lee blushing bride (promfeet were a blur as she Lewis, Carl Perkins and ised to Lord Wessex, tapped her way across Johnny Cash at Sun played by Christian the stage, in turns, Record Studios, Mem-Coulson, who portrays peevishness to the hilarious hilt). Instead, she's a triple-threat (sings, had the moves that got a strong, independent "The King" ready for woman, even around 17-member Actors Eq- his waist-up closeup her Nurse (Jo Twiss, uity and six Acting Ap- on "The Ed Sullivan evoking laughter with prentice cast in the phe- Show." Brandyn Day her every utterance). nomenal Bucks' "42nd (Jerry Lee Lewis) is an Lee is delightfully Lu-Street" production di- incredible piano play- cille Ball-like with her rected by Bucks County er and honky-tonks it darting eyes and asides Playhouse Artistic As- atop, around, and on the when she dons a male

Actor, Play: Chris-Richard II," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. As Richard II, Christian Coulson brought the monarch's vulnerability at the core to the fore so that, despite the king's flaws, mistakes and insensitivity as a "Shake- leader, he rendered him See ABES on Page B3





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"Million Dollar Quartet," Bucks County Playhouse

"42nd Street," Bucks County Playhouse



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a sympathetic character. Coulson portrayed a ruler who withdraws, turns inward, becomes ruminative in his ruination, and comes up with some darn good speeches, among them: "I wasted time and now doth time waste me." Witnessing King Richard II's descent from the throne is painful. He sees all, senses all, bears all with a dignified, muted, gentle presence. He's the king of pain.

Play: Ensemble, "All's Well That Ends Well," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. The "as-is" in Shakespeare era production was sans director, sans costume designer, sans scenic designer, but not sans talent. PSF's "allstars" of veteran performances brought their A-Game to the Schubert Theatre stage, including Anthony Lawton, Susan Riley Stevens, Greg Wood, Spencer Plachy, Jim Helsinger and Eric Hissom. "All's Well That Ends Well," which brought down the curtain on PSF's 27th season, was a tetter-totter of tragedy and laughter, but mostly laughter. "All's Well That Ends Well," indeed.

Director, Play: Patrick Mulcahy, "Shake-speare In Love," Pennspeare In Love," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. PSF Producting Artistic Director Patrick Mulcahy hit Shakespeare Theatre of town. Civic Theatre of town. Civic Theatre not didn't need a barn to the patrick Mulcahy hit Shakespeare Theatre of town. Civic Theatre many wonderful performances ("Nine To Five," "God Of Carnage," "Cabaret"). outdid herself. all the right notes and tropes in what was the most satisfying Shakespeare production, albeit a Shakespeare-themed production, in years at PSF. From the casting of some 24 excellent actors so well-matched to their roles (plus, the actors were in repertoire with "King Richard II") to an insistence on briskly-delivered logue, to complicated head-spinning scenes, to lovely Elizabethan courtly-dancing (beautifully staged by Dance Choreographer Erin Sheffield), to swift backstage-front point of view shifts, to the staging of thrilling sword fights (by Mulcahy, also Fight Director), to rousing music and singing, to a trap-door, to, yes, Spot the dog (Buddy Igor), Mulcahy's "Shakespeare In Love" had all you could ask for in a professional summer theater show.

Costume Design: Lisa Zinni, "Shakespeare In Love," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival. The bejeweled, sumptuous costumes for the men and women by Costume Designer Lisa Zinni were dazzling and provided pageanty, especially for Queen Elizabeth (an imperious and stunning Starla Benford). Viola De Lesseps (Mairin Lee) attire was exquisite, including a turquoise gown and a creamy wedding dress. The gowns glowed thanks to Director Patrick Mulcahy's stage blocking and Lighting Designer Eric T. Haugen, who used the full palette from profile spot, to splashes of mood-enning, Designer Liz Filios.

Scenic Daniel "King Richard II," Penn- alongside Miller Symsylvania Shakespeare phony Hall, Allentown, er Daniel Conway cre- Center for the Arts, ated an impressive for- Easton, as stunning hismality (a gold sunburst toric venues. crest, later collapsed,

Eric T. Haugen, "King ers and the entire Civic nia Shakespeare Festi- praise for bringing this val. Lighting Designer pertinent production to Eric T. Haugen's meticulous work created cas- Theater District's stotle interiors and exteri- ried venue with a show ors with swift mobility, of equal splendor. "Billy and the unseen flick of a Elliot The Musical" was lighting cue.

liam Neal, "King Richard II," Pennsylvania Origin Shakespeare Festival: Sound Designer Wil- 2018 in the Complian Neal incorporated Theater category. non-melodic percussive tones and a pastiche of repeated words in televiand intrigue.

Community

Theater put on a show. The nonprofit which gives Allentown's West End Theater District its name, renovated its huge Nineteenth Street Theatre in a \$5.5-million capital campaign that is ongoing. The ornate ceiling, back wall mural and details throughout the interior were restored. New seats, lighting and sound system are among the major improvements

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hancing color, to light- that enhance the enterworking with tainment experience for Music Designer-Sound movie-goers as well as theater-goers. With the Design: transformation, Civic Conway, Theatre takes its place Festival. Scenic Design- and the State Theater

Musical: "Billy Ellooms above the king's liot The Musical," throne) in tall wooden Civic Theatre of Allentower structures and town. The Lehigh Valley walkways to serve mul- debut of the Elton John tiple purposes in mul- musical was well-timed tiple scenes. Conway's to the reopening of the two-tiered set evoked Nineteenth Street The-The Globe Theater in atre and the opening "Shakespeare In Love," of Sir Elton's farewell which was in rep with world concert tour at "King Richard II" at PPL Center, Allentown. Civic Theatre Artistic Lighting Design: Director William Sand-Richard II," Pennsylva- staff deserve heartfelt life to fill the West End a gem of a production in Sound Design: Wil- the newly-minted gem of

> Original Musical: No ABE awarded for 2018 in the Community

Actress, Musical: Kathleen Oswalt, repeated words in television news reports to add sical," Civic Theatre to the element of unease of Allentown. As Mrs. Wilkinson, the ballet school teacher, Kathleen Oswalt, who has aret"), outdid herself. Oswalt played the range of the bristling, overbearing dance teacher: sassy and brassy, but also tough and tender. She was in fine voice in dialogue and song and dance.

Actor. Musical: Parker James Fullmore, "Billy Elliot The Musical," Civic Theatre of Allentown. Crucial to the success of Civic Theatre's "Billy Elliot" was



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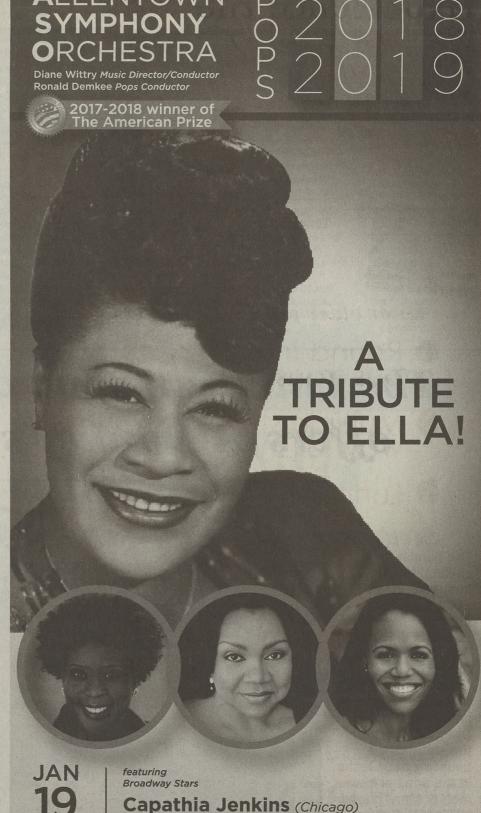
From left: Greg Wood, Spencer Plachy, "All's Well That Ends Well," Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival

the casting of a young Fullmore," there might Ballet Girls were nine in the title role. The ic stage presence, clear Frankenstein," "Electricity," why without a doubt

proved and gymnastic scenes.

phenomenal young tal- Musical, Civic The- with the Full Company, ent like Parker James atre of Allentown. The See ABES on Page B5

actor who could sing, not have been a "Billy impressive young dancdance and act. Parker Elliot The Musical" at ers. Robert Trexler, James Fullmore filled Civic. Fullmore was in who impressed previthe bill and then some great form, with a terrifously at Civic ("Young musical's show-stop- voice, and poised and Full Monty"), achieved per of show-stoppers, athletic in ballet, dance something more as Dad. His singing was Ensemble, Musi- something to behold in that if there wasn't a cal: "Billy Elliot The "Deep Into The Ground"



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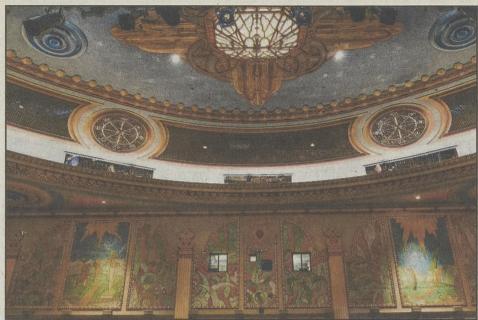
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## The Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit offers 'A Donkey's Christmas Story'

The Sunday school children of The Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit, Emmaus, present "A Donkey's Christmas Story" on the third Sunday in Advent. Children from the age of three through fifth grade participated. Owen Serfass stole the show as the bouncing baby Jesus in the arms of his mother Mary, played by Lindsey Kahler. It was a delightful celebration of the

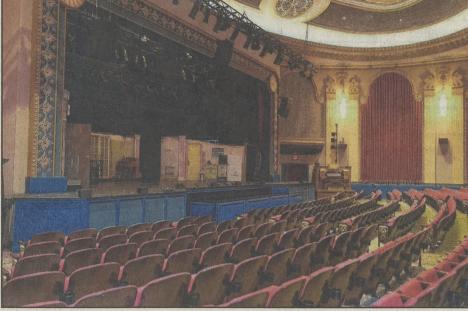
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Restored ceiling dome inside Civic Theatre of Allentown's Nineteenth Street Theatre



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New seats in renovated Civic Theatre of Allentown's Nineteenth Street Theatre

### **ABES**

Continued from page B3 and "He Could Go And He Could Shine," with Dad, Tony (Ryan Murphy) and the Ensemble. Joann Wilchek-Basist brought a special pathos to Grandma, especially

in "We'd Go Dancing" with the Men's Ensemble. The gauntlet was thrown down in the very first number, "The Stars Look Down," with powerful chorus singing by the Full Company in the signature music by Elton John, which elevat-

ed the show throughout.

Director, Musical: Sanders, Williams "Billy Elliot The Musical," Civic Theatre of Allentown. Civic Theatre atre Artistic Director took dancing mineworkers of "Billy Elliot." Sanders, assisted by three cho-

and moving briskly, tor Frank Anonia.

best-selling memoir by to overdramatize the sportswriter Mitch Al- scenes, letting the au-

Deena Linn, Sarah Park- a TV movie and later a between the two men er and Jennifer Haltz- play by Albom and Jef- create the emotion and man Tracy, the latter frey Hatcher, "Tuesdays tell the story for the ballet sequenc- With Morrie" celebrates Original es, kept the complex life and death as natural Softening Of Her storyline streamlined progressions. The script Eyes," Crowded Kitchand moving briskly, is full of humor and en Players. "A Softening propelled by a superb hope, with the overrid- Of Her Eyes," the story 10-piece orchestra con- ing theme that what mat- for which is based on a ducted by music directers in the end is humantrue story, is particularity and love. In Morrie's r Frank Anonia. ity and love. In Morrie's ly challenging, especial-Choreography: words: "The wise and ly in the era of the Black Joanellyn Schubert, wonderful things you Lives Matter and #me"Crazy For You," Pennsylvania Playhouse. wonderful things you Lives Matter and #metoo movements. "Eyes,"
given its world premiere Choreographer Joanelyou should say all your by Crowded Kitchen lyn Schubert brought life." The plot centers rousing, well-synchroaround the relationship nized tap-dancing to be tween Albom, played co-founder Ara Barlieb. the stage in "Crazy For sensitively by Will Mor- While the drama doesn't You," based on George ris, and Albom's former resolve societal proband Ira Gershwin's 1930s sociology professor Morhit movie, "Girl Crazy," rie Schwartz, who is dy- cio-economic underpinfor a musical where ing from amyotrophic nings. CKP's "Eyes" was 1930s-style tap-dancing lateral sclerosis (ALS), powerful theater. is a key component of played by Barry Glassman, who gave another ish Cipoletti, "A Softwilliam Sanders took a chance with the agitprop dialectic meets dancing mineworkers of Theatre of Allentown.

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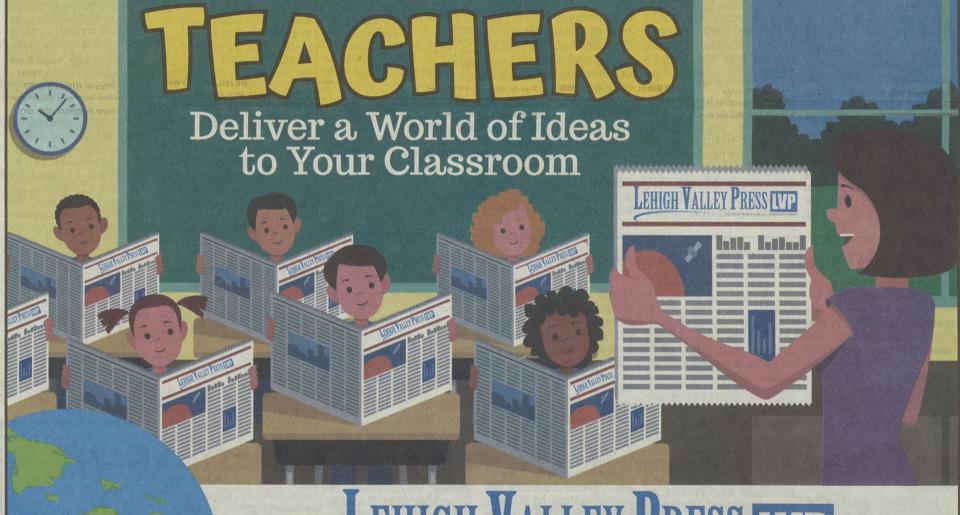
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### **ABES**

Continued from page B5

Grant, a radio talk-show host, that you would think she could easily get a job as one. Cipoletti was cooly efficient and evinced a wonderful elo-

Actor, Play: William Alexander Jr., "A Softening Of Her Eyes," Crowded Kitchen Players. William Alexander Jr. (Emmanuel Thorogood Morris) gives a strong and believable performance. His charisma, crucial to the role, is unquestionable. Alexander also made good use of the stage and involved the audience, as if it was the radio or courtroom audience.

Ensemble, Play: "Brighton Beach Memoirs," Pennsylvania Playhouse. Director Rody Gilkeson created a stylish production visually, technically and dramatically. He assembled a marvelously well-balanced ensemble. The would-be writer Eugene was played by Jack Miller, who juggled nuances of a conflicted teenager with ease. Kelly Herbert James as Kate, Eugene's loving, but stern mother, deftly underplayed her character's fatigue, frustration and anger by letting her face and posture tell the story. The cast included Rachel Williams (Aunt Blanche), Adriana Sfar (Nora, Blanche's daughter), Kristin Henrikson Shea (Stanley, Eugene's older brother), Nick Englesson (Jack, Eugene's father) and Alexa Mc-Fillin (Laura, Eugene's younger sister).

Director, George B. Miller, "The Fox On The Fair-Pennsylvania Playhouse. Director George B. Miller, whose credits include 45 years in theater and film, fine-tuned every scene to keep up the frenetic pace. Miller's talented cast hardly missed a beat. Pat Kelly (Henry Bingham) and John Corl ("Dickie" Bell) were a perfect pair of rivals. Kelly was every bit the

"Ralph Breaks The In-

ternet" is not about the

latest Ariana Grande mu-

sic video going viral nor

about a Russia troll farm

hacking United States' so-

The animated sequel

(2012) is more clever than

that. Ralph doesn't only

"break" the internet, he

wrecks it. They don't call

him "Wreck-It-Ralph" for

Internet," Wi-Fi service is

being offered at the local

videogame arcade. After

Wreck-It-Ralph (voiced by

the racecourse in the ar-

cade game, "Sugar Rush,"

the steering wheel breaks

for the person playing

the game. A replacement

steering wheel can't be

immediately found. The

plug is pulled on the vid-

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comes hilarious. The dis-

gruntled characters from

"Sugar Rush," including

Vanellope (voiced by Sar-

ah Silverman), trundle

Here's when "Ralph

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"Wreck-It-Ralph"

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**CONTRIBUTED PHOTO** 

William Alexander Jr., Trish Cipoletti, "A Softening Of Her Eyes," Crowded Kitchen Players



**CONTRIBUTED PHOTO** 

Parker James Fullmore, "Billy Elliot The Musical," Civic Theatre of Allentown

Play: tim for whom nothing sylvania seems to go right. Corl Bingham into the bet. designated in terms of lines and argyle sweater. physical antics. Jeanie Olah (Pamela Peabody) added a sophisticated "Billy Elliot The Musi-and good-natured sexual cal," Civic Theatre of Al-

Brighton keson vic- Beach Memoirs," Penn- settings and characters

'Ralph' rules 'The Internet'

By Paul Willistein

The

John C. Reilly) changes Philip Johnson (screen-

into the couryard of Lit-

wak's Family Fun Center

and Arcade. What follows

is a panoply of plot, plot,

plot far too detailed, con-

voluted and lengthy to go

into here. However, that's

precisely why fans of ar-

cade games, videogames,

and social media will love

this animated feature

writer, "Zootopia," 2016; screenwriter, "Wreck-

It-Ralph") and Pamela Ribon (story, "Moana,"

2016), from a story he and

Ribon wrote with Jim

Reardon (Oscar nominee, screenwriter, "Wall-E,"

2008), Josie Trinidad (sto-

ry, "Zootopia") and Rich Moore (story, "Zootopia"; story, "Wreck-It-Ralph")

with additional story ma-

terial by Kelly Younger

(theatrical feature story

credit debut), is really

screenplay by

MOVIE

Playhouse. Costume Designer Elizwas the textbook arro- abeth Marsh-Gilkeson gant schemer who tricks took pains to provide the look of 1930s authentici-Brian Welsko (Justin ty with Laura's saddle Hicks) was the script's shoes, and Eugene's golf comedian knickers, tall socks and

Design: Scenic Deruosik, Joshua flair to the proceedings. lentown. Technical Di- John Waters might say Costume Design: rector-Scenic Designer (and he did in an email a gritty realism to the old gal 'HS' has!"

interplay of game-play-

er and game-character.

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standard of innovative

Phil Johnston (theatrical

feature directorial debut)

and Rich Moore (Oscar

pia"; Oscar nominee, di-

rector, animated feature.

"Wreck-It Ralph") really

strove, and do so success-

and fascination of the in-

Reilly uses his good-

guy voice to portray a

likeable, sincere, and

overly-enthusiastic char-

acter that gives the an-

imators much to work

Silverman uses lit-

tle-girl inflections to ex-

role-playing.

with.

animators.

hipness.

with shop-worn sensibilities that bolstered the entire production.

Lighting Design, Will Morris, "Billy Elliot The Musical," Civic Theatre of Allentown. Lighting Designer Will Morris used the full range of colors to evoke mood and enhance the action on stage.

Design: Sound Randall Utsch, "Billy Elliot The Musical," Civic Theatre of Allentown. Sound Designer Randall Utsch utilized the Nineteenth Street Theatre's new sound system to great effect.

Tim Roche Memorial "Meanwhile ... Comedy Award: "Hairspray: The Broadway Musical," Munopco Musical Theatre. "Hair-spray," the original 1988 film by John Waters was ahead of its time in addressing the issues of bullying, fat-shaming, diversity, celebrity culture, and white supremacy. It's done without the divisive rants of social media, TV pundits, and podium-pounding politicians. Instead, it's all dolled-up with great joy, seamless entertainment, a danceable beat, dresses and wigs, and even a touch of actual hairspray. Kudos to Munopco for bringing

"Hairspray" back to life

in Allentown and the

ame, "Hero's Duty."

Buzz Lightyear,

and

All this is backdrop to

the friendship between

Vanellope, which seems

genuine. And that's the

best rendering of all in

animation: believability.

Wreck-It-Ralph

hog,

fully, to portray the fun C-3PO, and Baby Groot.

ternet, video games and the central story, that of

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> ble voice talents in "Ralph Breaks The Internet" 1 Corinthians 13 are Gal Gadot (Shank," smart in its depiction of a race-car driver in the "If I decorate my house the internet, as well as the videogame, "Slaughter Race"; Taraji P. Hener and game-character. son (Yesss), the head Even the film's ad on the algorithm determining

bows, strands of twinkling lights, and shiny glass balls, but do not show love trending videos, and Jane to my family — I'm just Lynch (Sergeant Tamora another decorator. Jean Calhoun), the main If I slave away in the that can never be taken for The film's directors character in the videog-

kitchen, baking dozens of granted. Christmas cookies, pre-As with the first film. paring gourmet meals, 'Wreck-It-Ralph," videogand arranging a beaurecipient, director, an- ame, cinema and social tifully adorned table at imated feature, "Zooto- media fans will delight in mealtime, but do not show identifying cameos by the love to my family - I'm just likes of Q\*Bert, Pac-Man, another cook. Frogger, Sonic the Hedge-

If I work at the soup kitchen, carol in the nursing home, and give all that I have to charity, but do not show love to my family – it profits me nothing.

shimmering angels and

### It should all be about love

As we rush through the extra stuff we all do to "get ready for Christmas," how WARMEST easy it is to lose track of what it's all about.

The same thing is true By Pattie Mihalik of everyday life. We rush about doing what is required or expected, ticking off the items on our "to-do" list each day.

Somehow, in all of that, we may secretly wonder what happened to meaning in our life.

Deep inside our heart, we know life is not about completing a to do list. It's not about work. Work is what we do to survive.

We may have a lot, but harried and tired. still feel that something is missing.

And when you get as old as I am, you finally have the answer that's been hidden under all the busy layers of your life.

The answer to true meaning is love.

Love that sweeps away resentment and stops measuring what we give versus what we receive.

Love that you give away expecting nothing in re-

Of course, when you give love to anyone you do get something in return. You get an inner peace and a quiet joy that lights up your inner being.

Love is one of the only inexhaustible resources. The more you give away, the more you have.

The older I get, the more love that will endure. love I share with those in my life. I'm not just talking about friends and family. When I look at the good qualities in those around me, I can't help but feel love for them and for the goodness I see in them.

Right about the time I was thinking about this, someone forwarded a piece that's been making its rounds of the internet. It's called a Christmas version ey to spend on gifts. of 1 Corinthians 13.

on Facebook. Unfortunately, they didn't credit the thing other than my own store or catalog. writing unless I can credit

The beauty of the in-Sharon Jaynes who wrote it for Moody Publishing. So now I'm sharing it with readers.

### **Christmas Style**

perfectly with lovely plaid

If I trim the spruce with



crocheted snowflakes, attend a myriad of holiday parties, and sing in the choir's cantata but do not focus on Christ, I have missed the point.

Love stops the cooking to hug the child.

Love sets aside the decorating to kiss the husband. Love is kind, though

Love doesn't envy another home that has coordinated Christmas china and table linens.

Love doesn't yell at the kids to get out of your way but is thankful they are there to be in the way.

Love doesn't give only to those who are able to give in return, but rejoices in giving to those who can't.

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things.

Love never fails. Video games will break; pearl necklaces will be lost; golf clubs will rust. But giving the gift of love will endure.

I love the ending of what she wrote. It's the giving of

I've always believed the best gift we can give someone is not something that can be put in a box or wrapped in paper.

I just gave that message to my precious firstborn grandchild.

Thoughtful and generous, Grayson likes to buy gifts for everyone. Now that he is out of college and working, he has more mon-

So he wrote to me and So many people are re- asked me to send him a lating to this and sharing it link for a gift I especially want.

I told him what I want writer, and I won't use any- most can't be found in any

I want the gift of spending time with him. Because we live far apart and his ternet is that we can learn job offers little free time, I don't get to spend time

That's what I want from him for Christmas. I want to spend one-on-one time with him. I don't care if we just go off together to eat a Philly cheesesteak and talk. It's being with him and listening to his thoughts that I value most. I am looking forward to

doing that with him. As we celebrate this season of giving, I am acutely aware that being with family is a priceless gift

I am also aware that many people have an unhappy Christmas season because they are wrapped up in thinking about who is missing from their life rather than being grateful

for those who are there. Take time to celebrate everyone in your life and give them the genuine gift

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children.) for some action "Ralph Breaks The Internet," MPAA rated PG (Parental Guidance Coomedy; Run time: 1 hr., Suggested Some material 52 mins. Distributed by aggerate her caustic voice may not be suitable for Walt Disney Studios Moto portray a smart, sassy, children. Parents urged tion Pictures.

and irrepressible charactory to give "parental guid-ter that again inspires the ance." May contain some Credit Readers Anonymous: Midmaterial parents might way through the "Ralph Among other memora- not like for their young Breaks The Internet" end credits there's an animated short film about a game where pancakes are fed to a rabbit (Don't ask. You've got to see it.). Stay to the very end for a "Fro-"Wreck-It-Ralph" (John C. Reilly) dancing to Rick Astley's pop hit, there. It's because members of Credit Readers War II Great Britain. Anonymous (CRA) live for this kind of silly fun.

Box Office: Dec. 21 and rude humor; Genre: weekend box office results were Animation, Adventure, unavailable because of the early Focus deadline for the Christmas Day holiday. Unreel, Dec. 28:

"Holmes & Watson," PG-13: Etan Cohen directs Will Ferrell, John C. Reilly, Ralph Fiennes, and Lauren Lapkus in the Drama-Comedy based on Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's books about Sherlock Holmes and Doctor Wat-

"Stan & Ollie," PG: zen II" teaser, which is ac- Jon S. Baird directs John Reilly, Steve Coogan, Shirley Henderson and Stephanie Hyam in the "Never Gonna Give You Biography Comedy based Up" (1987), and then ask- on Laurel and Hardy, ing those in the movie the cinema comedy duo, theater why they are still when they do a theater tour tour of post-World

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Friday, Dec. 28: Roast beef with grayy, oven browned potatoes, Calif. vegetable blend,

wheat bread with margarine, blueberry fluff. Monday, Dec. 31: New Year's meal: Roast pork with gravy, mashed potatoes, sauerkraut,

wheat bread with margarine, apple pie. Tuesday, Jan. 1: Closed. 2019: Happy New Year.

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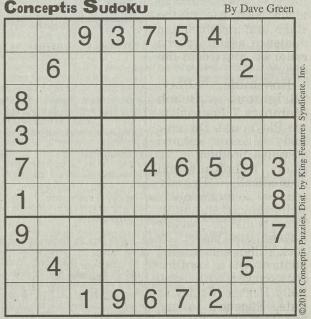
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Renea Flexer, Asst. Township Manager/Secretary

Dec. 26

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Bids must be submitted on regular forms provided by the School District and shall be sealed in an envelope identified with the bidder's name and marked "ELEMENTARY SCHOOL / MIDDLE SCHOOL / HIGH SCHOOL WIRELESS ACCESS POINTS, CLOUD MANAGEMENT AND RELATED TO THE CAPILING PROJECT "Propositive hidders shall furnish STRUCTURED CABLING PROJECT." Prospective bidders shall furnish their name, name of representative, mailing address, e-mail address, telephone number, and facsimile number at the time they obtain bidding documents. If they obtain the bidding documents from the District web site,

prospective bidders shall furnish this information by completing the contact

form on the web site. A Performance Bond and a Payment Bond in the forms provided in the bidding documents, each in an amount equal to 100% of the amount of the contract and with satisfactory corporate surety shall be required to be furnished by the successful bidder together with the final contract. The surety on all bonds must have a rating of A- or better by the A.M. Best Company or equivalent rating hy another nationally-recognized rating organization, and be legally authorized to provide such a bond in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. In lieu of a Performance Bond or a Payment Bond, the successful bidder may provide a Letter of Credit which serves as secuity for the same purpose and in the same amount as the Performance Bond or Payment Bond, as the case may be. A Letter of Credit must conform to the requirements in the bidding documents and must be an irrevocable standby letter of credit issued by a Federal or Commonwealth chartered lending institution authorized to do business in Pennsylvania and issue such letters of credit, maintaining an office within twenty (20) miles of the District Administration Office at which the Letter may be presented for pay-

All bidders MUST attend a MANDATORY pre-bid Meeting and Walk-Through on Friday, January 11, 2019, commencing at 10:00 a.m. at Catasauqua Area School District Administration Office, 201 North 14th Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032. In the event Catasauqua Area School District schools are closed due to inclement weather or otherwise on that date, the MANDATORY pre-bid Meeting and Walk-Through will be held on the next date such schools are in session, commencing at 10:00 a.m.

All Bids shall be irrevocable, and may not be modified, withdrawn, or cancelled, for sixty (60) calendar days after the bid opening date. The CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT reserves the right in its discretion to reject any or all Bids or parts thereof or items therein and to waive any defects, errors, omissions, mistakes, irregularities, informalities,

This contract is subject to the Prevailing Wage Determination of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Labor and Industry, dated December 6, 2018, serial number 18-07853.

Catasauqua Area School District Robert J. Spengler, Superintendent

### **CRYPTOGRAM**

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See solution on page B8

Today's Cryptoquip: Q equals H

### PREMIER Crossword

### RIVALRY

- 1 Moves like a dog's tail
- 9 Not too swift
- 19 Question to an
- 21 Portable grill
- 25 In favor of
- yell)

- on credit)

- 41 Riddle, part 349 Cab Calloway

- 59 Boxer Clay, later
- 73 Riddle, part 5 81 Author Rand
- 85 Clorox, e.g.
- -pah-pah
- 105 End of the riddle
- Stone (hieroglyphic
- 115 Metal source

- 127 Some overcrowded houses
- 130 See 74-Down 131 Top of a car

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- 99 Some vipers

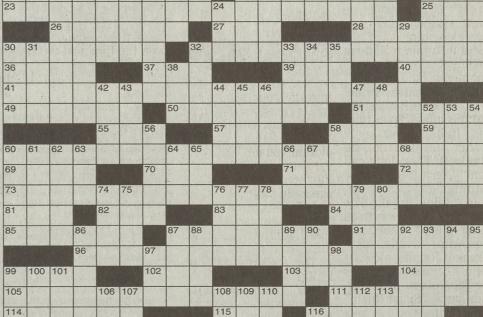
- 114 Gretel's brother
- 126 Email, e.g.

- Slack-jawed feeling
- 22 See 38-Down
- 30 Total failure

- 51 Common folks 55 Similar to
- 58 Peppery
- 60 Riddle, part 4 69 PC combo key
- 82 Fall Classic mo.
- 96 Riddle, part 6
- 104 Half-pint
- discovery)
- 125 Sci-fi author Stanislaw
- 128 Historic span

- unknown caller
- 23 Start of a riddle
- 26 Downhillers, e.g.
- 28 Magazine agent's
- 32 Riddle, part 2
- 37 Title for Lancelot 39 Sleep study acronym
- Actor Kilmer
- 70 Water, in Vichy 71 A, in Italy 72 "Zip- -- Doo-Dah"
- 87 Having no 131-Across 91 Sarajevo locale
- 103 Gen. Lee's side: Abbr.
- 116 Painter's undercoat 117 A Gershwin brother
- 129 Smiled villainously

By Frank A. Longo 25 28



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DOWN 1 It follows "//"

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in a URL 2 "Feels so nice!" 3 Loses one's hair 4 Not guaranteed

only to float

5 Merman of song

- 6 British prime minister May 7 Small peeves 8 Enzyme-name suffix 9 Transparent
- 10 Dwells 11 Shikoku sash 12 Is no longer 13 Here, in Le Havre 14 Sandbar
- 17 Like Afghans 18 Act of exiting 20 Clic — (Bic brand) 24 Drain-clearing stuff

29 Shocks

30 Quick race

35 Doctors' gp.

15 Indian language

16 Public scandal

31 Sewing case 32 Baby buggy, to Brits 33 Tolkien meanies 34 Fish in a Pixar title

38 With 22-Across, spaced out 42 "If — a Hammer'

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45 "Curses!" 46 Shed skin or feathers 47 Doctors' gps. 48 Curse

52 Resident of Riyadh

43 Mouselike animal

44 1970s Chevy

119 120 121

54 Album's first half 56 Make — in (begin working on) 58 "Grand" hotel 60 1983 comedy with Mr. T

61 Gasoline additive

53 Page of "Juno

63 Sickly 65 Color shade 66 "Say again?" 67 Rock's Brian

62 Wading bird

- 68 Boat mover 74 With 130-Across, home of a Scottish "monster" 75 Say again
- 76 Old lovers 77 "Say it — so!" 78 — Field (Mets' home) 79 Drifting sort 80 English prep school

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- 119 Mao -tung
- 120 Sugar-name suffix 121 Big rabbit feature
  - 122 Peak: Abbr. 123 Siouan tribe member 124 Abbr. on a
  - bounced check

87 "Hmm, I guess so"

90 Magazine or book divs.

92 Wall - (financial district

93 Nearly massless particle

98 Lurches from side to side

88 Grandiosity

89 In the past

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94 Lacks entity

97 Vie for the love of

101 It's west of Colombia

95 "-- boy!"

99 For a spell

100 Generous type

106 Bursts (with) 107 Of the past

109 Like pop flies

113 Slightly built

116 Admiral Graf

110 Co.'s top dog 112 Hall's pop partner

(German warship)

108 Ski cottage

123 124

- See solution on page B10

WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Proposals for:

The Township of Whitehall is soliciting Sealed

RFP No. 19-02 "Develop Specifications for

Proposals will be accepted on or before, Janu-

ary 30, 2019, 3:00 p.m. and opened Thursday, January 31, 2019, 3:00 p.m. Proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Whitehall

Fownship Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur

Whitehall Township Municipal Building, on Thurs-

day, January 17, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. Attendance

pal Building or call 610-437-5524. They are also

available online: www.whitehalltownship.org, under administration, then purchasing tab

**Purchasing Agent** 

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

North Whitehall Township

Zoning Hearing Board is hereby given for a Zon-

ing Hearing to be held January 16, 2019 at 7:30 pm in the North Whitehall Township Building, 3256 Levans Rd. Coplay PA 18037

Zoning Appeal 2019-01. Binney Mart, Ishika

Realty, LLC 5881 Winterberry Place, Allentown, Pa 18104. The applicant is seeking to consoli-

date 3 parcels into one parcel to allow for expan-

sion of and addition to existing business. The applicant is seeking variances of the following sec-

tions of the NWT Zoning Ordinance. Section

307.B.2.d(1) front yard setbacks; section 803.C sight distance; section 803.D maintain existing yard condition; section 603.D.4 driveway separa-

tion; section 803 D sight distance interpretation. The applicant is seeking Special exception approval to allow expansion of 15,000 sq. ft. retail

operation. Interpretation of Zoning Ordinance section 306 table of uses, section 307.B, section

Tax parcels # 5479 2792 9917 and 5479 2793

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE of JOSEPH H. WETZEL, deceased, late of Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administra-tion on the above named estate have been

granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted

to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to: Kelly Hunsicker, Executrix, PO Box 3, New Tri-

Jeff Bartlett, NWT Zoning Officer

Public Notice by the North Whitehall Township

NOTICE OF ZONING HEARING MEETING

A Pre-Proposal meeting will be held at the

Bid documents can be obtained at the Munici-

MARY ANN MILLER, CPPO

Road, Whitehall, PA 18052.

is highly recommended.

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE BOROUGH OF EMMAUS **MEETING NOTICE**

2019

The Borough of Emmaus announces the schedule of regular meetings of Council, Boards, Commissions, Authorities and Special Committees for 2019. All of these meetings are open to the public. Meetings are held in Borough Hall, Council Chambers, 28.5. Fourth Street, Emmaus, unless otherwise notied. Where no day is specified, meetings will be advertised separate-

	s, unless otherwise notied. Where no day is specified, meetings will	l be advertised
ly. Body	Day of Month	Time
Borough Council	1st & 3rd Monday of each month, except certan legal holidays when meeting is rescheduled to the next day **. No meeting	7:00 PM
Borough Council Committees:	June 3, July 1, and August 5	7.00 FIVI
Budget & Finance Committee	Preceding all Council Meetings	6:45 PM
	2nd Thursday of each month Budget Workshops: October 24, November 7, 12, 19, 21 & 26	3:30 PM 4:00 PM
Community Relations	Baagot Homoropa Gatasa 23, Haramata 3, 12, 12, 12, 12	
Planning & Development Committee	3rd Thursday of each month	4:30 PM
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General Administration	January 3 & 17, February 14 & 28, March 14 & 28, April 11 & 25, May 9 & 23, June 6 & 20, July 18, August 1 & 15, September	
Committee	12 & 26, October 10 & 24, November 7 & 21, December 5 & 19	9:00 AM
Health, Sanitation &		
Codes Committee	Last Wednesday of each month	4:30 PM
Parks & Recreation		
Committee	1st Tuesday of each month, except January's mtg. will	4.00 DM
	be January 8	4:30 PM
Public Works Committee	2nd Wednesday of each month	4:00 PM
Public Safety Committee	2nd Wednesday of each month	9:15 AM
Please Note: All Council Comm		
have the option of meeting at 6 preceding Council meetings	:30 p.m.,	
Emmaus Arts Commission	4th Monday of each month, except May's mtg. will be	
Elilliaus Arts Commission	May 20 & December's meeting will be December 9	6:30 PM
Board of Health	3rd Thursday of every other month beginning with January	7:00 PM
Building Board of Appeals	Call of Chairperson	
Civil Service Commission	Call of Chairperson	
Community Garden Commission	2nd Tuesday of each month	6:00 PM
Emergency DisasterBoard	Call of Chairperson	
Emmaus General Authority	February 19, May 21, August 20 and November 19	7:00 PM
	Jan. 28 & March 25 (7pm) 5671 Chestnut St., Zionsville; Feb.	
	25 (7pm) 28 S. 4th St.; April 22 & Oct. 28 (5pm) Emmaus Public	
	Library Buffer; May-No meeting; June 24 (7pm) Emmaus  Community Park; July 22 (7pm) Emmaus Public Library; Aug.	
Joint Environmental	26 (7pm) Churchview Park, Kohler Rd., Zionsville; Sept. 23 (6pm)	
Advisory Council (EAC)	Lenape Park, Kings Hwy, South Zionsville; Nov. & DecNo meet	ing
Non-Uniform Employee and		0.00 DM
Police Pension Boards	February 6, May 8, August 7 and November 6	3:00 PM
Library Board	3rd Tuesday of each month at Emmaus Public Library	Noon
Recreation and Entertainment	Last Wednesday of each month, no meeting	C.00 DM
	scheduled for December	6:30 PM
Planning Commission	2nd Thursday of each month	7:00 PM

\*\* RESCHEDULED MEETINGS February - the 2nd Meeting will be held 02/19/19 September - the 1st Meeting will be held 09/03/19

Sanitation Board

Shade Tree Commission

Zoning Hearing Board

PUBLIC NOTICE The Bethlehem Area School District will receive sealed bids for:

PURCHASE OR LEASE OF APPROXIMATELY FOURTEEN (14) SCHOOL BUSES:

Call of Chairperson

2nd Tuesday of each month

will be Tuesday, November 19

4th Thursday of each month, except November's mtg.

72 PASSENGER CONVENTIONAL SCHOOL BUSES 84 PASSENGER CONVENTIONAL SCHOOL BUSES 24 PASSENGER SCHOOL BUSES WITH LIFT 36 PASSENGER SCHOOL BUSES WITH LIFT

Sealed bids are due at the business office of the Bethlehem Area School District, Education Center, 1516 Sycamore Street, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania 18017, no later than 1:00 PM prevailing time, January 3, 2019, at which time bids will be publicly opened. Detailed specs may be requested by email to purchasing@basdschools.org. Dec. 12, 19, 26

PUBLIC NOTICE
BETHLEHEM AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

ATTENTION: FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT COMPANIES The Bethlehem Area School District (BASD) is requesting proposals for school food service management services. The Food Service Management Company (FSMC) will provide management services according to US Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) regulations and guidelines as well as the PA Dept. of Education policies and guidelines.

FSMC and/or their representatives may submit proposals to: Bethlehem Area School District Attn: Matthew Degenhart 1516 Sycamore Street

Bethlehem, PA 18017 The BASD Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals or to accept the proposal that it finds in its sole discretion to be in the best interest of the District.

A walk through meeting is scheduled for Thurs. January 17, 2019 at 3:00 pm at the address listed above.

All proposals must be submitted no later than noon on Wed. January 23, 2019. All proposals should be delivered in a sealed envelope to the ad dress listed above, and the envelope should be clearly marked: Food Service Management Proposal

STACY M. GOBER, BOARD SECRETARY

Dec. 26, Jan. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE
BETHLEHEM AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT LIBERTY HIGH SCHOOL COMMONS BUILDING **ROOF REPLACEMENT AND MASONRY REPAIRS** REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Bethlehem Area School District will receive sealed bids for the Liberty High School Commons Building Roof Replacement and Masonry Repairs in the form of SINGLE prime lump sum contract. Bids are due at the BASD Education Center, 1516 Sycamore Street, Bethlehem, PA 18017 no later than 1:30 p.m. prevailing time on Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at

bids will be publicly opened and read. A MANDATORY pre-bid conference will be conducted on Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 3:30 p.m. at the Liberty High School, 1115 Linder Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018. Representatives of the Project Engineer (D'-Huy Engineering, Inc.) will provide project details at this meeting. Non-attendees will not be permitted to bid.

Electronic Contract Documents: Prospective bidders may 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 December 27, 2018.

This project is subject to the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, approved August 15, 1961, P.L. 987 (Act No. 442), as amended and supplemented, and reference is made to the prevailing minimum wage rates applicable to this project which have been promulgated by the Secretary of Labor and Industry

Bidders shall refer to provisions of the Federal and State statutes, rules and regulations dealing with the prevention of environmental pollution and the preservation of the public natural resources that affect the project; said statement of provisions being submitted, as part of the specifications, pursuant to Section 3301 of the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Procurement

Code, 62 Pa.C.S. § 3301. Bids shall conform to all requirements as more fully set forth in the Bid Documents, including, inter alia, compliance with all applicable laws and

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or any part thereof or items therein and to waive technicalities as it deems best to protect its interest

Chief Facilities and Operations Officer

### CRYPTO SOLUTION

WHEN A CARPENTER HAPPENS TO BE A BIG FAN OF BIKING, WHAT DOES HE LIKE TO DO? HAMMER AND CYCLE.

PUBLIC NOTICE

4:00 PM

6:00 PM

The Bethlehem Area School District (BASD) Authority will hold their annual meeting on Tues. Jan. 8, 2019 at 5:00pm (snow date Wed. Jan. 23 @ 4:30pm) at the Ed. Center, Grenadier Room, 1516 Sycamore St. Bethlehem for reorganization and general matters

Stacy M. Gober

Chief Financial Officer

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Township of Whitehall is soliciting Requests for Proposals for: RFP No. 19-01 "CODES INSPECTOR/PLANS EXAMINER FOR WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP". Sealed Proposals will be accepted on or before, Wednesday, January 23, 2019, 3:00 p.m. Proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud, Thursday, January 24, 2019, 3:00 p.m. at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3218 MacArthur Road, Whitehall,

A Pre-Proposal meeting will be held at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, on Thursday, January 10, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

The position requires a qualified Code Official, Plans Examiner and Inspector to perform duties pursuant to the PA Uniform Construction Code (Uniform Const. Code) and Whitehall Township Ordinances. Minimum qualifications for this position: Certification from Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry in the following categories: Building Inspector, Electrical Inspector, Mechanical Inspector, Plumbing Inspector, Energy Inspector, tor, Building Plans Examiner, Electrical Plans Examiner, Mechanical Plans Examiner, Plumbing Plans Examiner, Energy Plans Examiner, Building Code Official, Accessibility Plans Examiner, Accessibility Inspector and certification with the State of Pennsylvania as a third party inspection agency. Bid documents can be obtained at the Municipal Building or call 610-437-5524. They are also available online: <a href="https://www.whitehalltownship.">www.whitehalltownship.</a> org, under administration, then purchasing tab

MARY ANN MILLER, CPPO, Purchasing Agent

Dec. 26

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

Whitehall Township Authority will receive sealed bids electronically via the PennBid Program for the Water Main Replacement Projects, Project "A" Fullerton Area and Project "B" Jordan Park Area which involves the replacement of approximately 6,800 linear feet of cast iron water pipe and appurtenances in the Fullerton and Jordan Park Areas of the Township. The Work will include replacement of all mains, services, fire hydrants and surface restoration. Bids will be received until 2:00 PM (prevailing time) on Monday, January 14, 2019. Bids results will be made available on PennBid after bid opening.

Copies of the Specifications/Bid Forms are available at no cost on PennBid (www.ebidexchange.com/pennbid).

Each bid must be accompanied by bid security made payable to Whitehall Township Authority 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 5.1 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. Whitehall Township Authority re-

serves the right to waive any informality in, and/or to reject, any or all bids. This project is being financed, in part, by a grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA). All Contractors and Subcontractors must adhere to the compliance requirements as set forth by the CFA Grant Agreement as referenced in the Contract Documents.

Whitehall Township Authority Lisa Helm - Authority Manager

Dec. 19, 26

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE** TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** CONDITIONAL USE PUBLIC HEARING

The Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners will hold a public meeting on January 14, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., in the Public Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, at 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, to hear the following conditional use appe

INDEX # 1923-18 - 1788/Riverside Business Center, LLC- c/o Fitzpatrick, Lentz & Bubba, PC, 4001 Schoolhouse Lane, Center Valley, PA 18034. Location: 1139 Lehigh Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 640824179247, the subject property is located in the I-Industrial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a conditional use pursuant to Sec. 27-81 (D) (20) of the Whitehall Township Zoning Ordinance regarding use of a portion of the property for a truck terminal for the parking of tractor trailers

and trucks. Copies of plans, applications and supporting documents are available

for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building. The decisions of the Township of Whitehall are made without regard to race, color, national origin, familial status and disability status of the Appli-

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

range for the necessary assistance. Applicants, and all interested parties MUST appear at this hearing to be considered.

Dec. 26, Jan. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP **NOTICE TO BIDDERS** The Township of Whitehall is soliciting Sealed

Proposals for: RFP No. 19-05 "Develop Specifications for Coplay Creek Stream Bank Restoration Design, Permitting and Construction Oversight" per the PRP developed by Center for Watershed Protection, INC.

Clean Water Retrofit Design, Permitting and Construction Oversight to the Overlook Basin/Woodlawn Channel" per the PRP developed by Center for Watershed Protection, INC. Proposals will be accepted on or before, January 30, 2019, 3:00 p.m. and opened Thursday, January 31, 2019, 3:15 p.m. Proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052.

A Pre-Proposal meeting will be held at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, on Thursday, January 17, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. Attendance is highly recommended.

Bid documents can be obtained at the Municipal Building or call 610-437-5524. They are also available online: www.whitehalltownship.org, under administration, then purchasing tab

MARY ANN MILLER, CPPO Purchasing Agent

Dec. 26, Jan. 2 **PUBLIC NOTICE** 

NOTICE that the Board of the Coplay Whitehall Sewer Authority will be holding Monthly Meetings at 7:30 PM in the CWSA Public Meeting Room CWSA Building, 3213 MacArthur Road Whitehall, PA 18052

On the dates below: JANUARY 17, 2019 FEBRUARY 21, 2019. MARCH 21, 2019 **APRIL 18, 2019** MAY 16, 2019 JUNE 20, 2019 JULY 18, 2019 AUGUST 15, 2019 SEPTEMBER 19, 2019 OCTOBER 17, 2019 **NOVEMBER 21, 2019 DECEMBER 19, 2019** 

Dec. 26

Estate of MARY JO BIELYdeceased, late of

Whitehall, 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:
Rosemary Backer, Administratrix
c/o WILLIAM P. BRIED, ESQ.

RITTER & BRIED, P.C. 1600 W. Hamilton St. Allentown, PA 18102-4287 Or her attorney: WILLIAM P. BRIED. ESQ. RITTER & BREID, P.C. 1600 W. Hamilton Street Allentown, PA 18102-4287

(610) 433-6011 Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 2

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PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

South Whitehall Township is soliciting pricing for the following "SNOW PLOWING AND SNOW REMOVAL SERVICES Quotations will be accepted until 10:00 a.m., on January 9, 2019. Quo-

tations should be submitted to the Purchasing Agent, Donna Zackeru, at the South Whitehall Township Municipal Building, either via Fax, Email or Copies of quotation documents or questions regarding this notice may be directed to Donna Zackeru at 610-398-0401, between the hours of 8:00

a.m. and 4:00 p.m. South Whitehall Township reserves the right to reject any and all quota-

tions and to accept the quotation which it determines to be in its best interests.

Lenore Horos, Township Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of South White-hall Township will meet in the Township Municipal Building located at 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, on Wednesday,

January 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a public hearing and possible Conditional Use approval of the following project: TEX-WAREHOUSE FACILITY 4741 CHAPMANS ROAD CONDITIONAL USE REVIEW #2018-601

PUBLIC HEARING - CONDITIONAL USE

An application for a Conditional Use for a proposed Warehouse Use to be constructed at 4741 Chapmans Road, also known as Lehigh County Parcel ID 547721696044 1. The application proposes to the construction of a 156,000 square-foot warehouse 50 feet in height, a parking lot containing 166 standard parking spaces (120 proposed and 46 reserved), 2 large parking spaces, 27 trailer parking spaces, and 32 oversized parking spaces and associated stormwater management facilities. The subject property is zoned IC-1 Industrial-Commercial-1 (Special Height Limitation). Fred J. Jaindl is the owner. Griffin Industrial Realty, Inc. is the applicant. Copies of plans, applications and supporting documents are available for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building located at 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, PA 18104 during normal business hours, where they may be examined without charge or obtained for a charge not greater than the cost thereof.

Gregg Adams, Planner, Community Development Department Dec. 26, Jan. 2

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

The regular monthly meeting of the Whitehall Township Zoning Hearing Board will be held on January 15, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., in the Public Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, at 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, to hear the following appeals:

DOCKET # 1923 - Wilbur E. Hill, III - 3330 Columbia Street, Whitehall, PA 18052. Location: 3330 Columbia Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549904138085, the subject property is located in a R4 Medium Densi-Applicant is requesting a variance to ty Residential Zoning District. Sec.27-104 A of the Zoning Ordinance regarding reinstallation of separate electrical meters on previously existing structures that were deconstructed in accordance with Whitehall Township ZHB Docket 1875 of May 16, 2017. Continuation of prior existing uses onsite. Applicant also claims the vested rights by reason of permit number 797-17.

DOCKET # 1924 - Realty Income Corporation - 11995 El Camino Real, San Diego, CA 92130. Location: 2630 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549846306986, the subject property is located in a C2 Regional/Community Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting an interpretation and variance (if necessary) to Sec. 27-80 E (6) of the Zoning Ordinance regarding minimum building width per establishment.

DOCKET # 1895 A - Creekside Land Holdings, LLC - 1216 Linden Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018. Location: 1527 Creekside Road,

Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549769438539 and 549769115527, the subject property is located in a R5 High Density Residential Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a variance to Sec. 27-75 E (1) (a) (4), Sec. 27-121 B (6), Sec. 27-173 B, Sec. 27-75 E (2) (c) (3), and Sec. 27-121 B (2) of the Zoning Ordinance regarding setbacks, minimum lot size, density, elevation and floodproofing requirement for proposed four 10 unit apartment buildings with off street parking. Applicant is requesting an approval extension on the validity of the zoning approval which was issued on January 10,

DOCKET # 1926 - Romil Santos - 1049 N. 13th Street, Allentown, PA 18102. Location: 521 Fifth Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, Little Stars Early Learning Center, LLC, PIN 640709698652, the subject property is located in a R5A High Density Residential w/o Apartments Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a special exception to Sec. 27-60 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding multiple non-conforming uses for proposed day care.

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

The decisions of the Township of Whitehall Zoning Hearing Board are made without regard to race, color, national origin, familial status and disability status of the Applicant The Whitehall Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physical-

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

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

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

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

Hearing Board in its deliberations MELISSA A. WEHR, Zoning Administrator

Dec. 26, Jan. 3

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of FLORENCE SMITH, deceased, late of the Township of Lower Macungie, 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 payments without delay to:

Patricia A. Egan, Executrix c/o her attorney: JOHN M. ASHCRAFT, III, ESQUIRE Address: 20 North 5th Street, Suite #1

Emmaus, PA 18049-2406 Dec. 12, 19, 26

PUBLIC NOTICE Estate of Robert Eric Hall a/k/a R. Eric Hall & Robert E. Hall, Deceased. Late of Lower Milford Twp., Lehigh County, PA. D.O.D. 11/25/18. Letters of Administration on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to Rebecca Lorraine Hall, Administratrix, c/o Elaine T. Yandrisevits, Esq., 131 W. State St., P.O. Box 50, Doylestown, PA 18901. Or to her Atty.: Elaine Yandrisevits, Antheil, Maslow & MacMinn, LLP 131 W. State St., P.O. Box 50, Doylestown, PA Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE

City of Allentown vs. Devon Francis - No. 2007-ML-1758 - Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County, PA. Notice is given that the above was named as defendant in a civil action by plaintiff to recover 2006; 2008-2011 real estate taxes for property located at 959 North Street, Allentown, PA. PIN No. 549782610355-1. A Writ of Scire Facias for \$3,897.03 was filed. You are notified to plead to the Writ on or before 20 days from the date of this publication or a judgment may be entered. If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by attorney and file your defenses or objections in writing with the court. You are warned that if you fail to do so, the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you without further notice for the relief requested by Plaintiff. You may lose money, property or other rights impor-tant to you. YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP.

Lawyer Referral Service, P.O. Box 1324, Allentown, PA 18105, 610.433.7094. Portnoff Law Assoc., Ltd., P.O. Box 391, Norristown, PA 19404, 866.211.9466.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Parkland School District vs. Michele Hanawalt - No. 2014-ML-2225 - Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County, PA. Notice is given that the above was named as Defendant in a civil action by plaintiff to recover 2013 real estate taxes for property located at 2529 Russell Street, South Whitehall, PA, PIN No. 548775007333-1. A Writ of Scire Facias for \$1,921.63 was filed. You are notified to plead to the Writ on or before 20 days from the date of this publication or a judgment may be entered. If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by attorney and file your defenses or objections in writing with the court. You are warned that if you fail to do so, the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against without further notice for the relief requested by Plaintiff. You may lose money, property or other rights important to you. YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP. Lawyer Referral Service, P.O. Box 1324, Allentown, PA 18105, 610.433.7094. Portnoff Law Assoc., Ltd., P.O. Box 391, Norristown, PA 19404, 866.217.9466. Dec. 12, 19, 26

PUBLIC NOTICE Corporate Fictitious Name Notice

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of the Fictitious Names Act of Pennsylvania that an application for registration of a fictitious name was filed with the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the conduct of a business under the fictitious name of: Mrs. Bee's Botanicals with its principal place of business at 1180 Overlook Road, Whitehall, PA 18052.

The name and address of the individuals owning or interested in said business are: Stephen Berndt, 1180 Overlook Road, Whitehall, PA 18052 Dec. 26

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE of Raymond K. Boyce 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 Sharon M. Boyce and Patricia A. Boyce lassogna, Executrices, 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

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PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE of Betty J. Keenly a/k/a Betty Jane Keenly, 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 Kathy A. Keenly, Executrix, 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.

**ESTATE NOTICE** 

Estate of Joan D Hillegass late of the Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration on the above Estate have been granted to Penny L Link, Administrator. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payments, and those having claims to present the same without delay to the Administrator care of: Penny L. Link, 8884 Mountain Road Alburtis, Pennsylvania 18011, Dec. 12, 19, 26

> PUBLIC NOTICE ZHB 18-19004

The Zoning Hearing Board of East Allen Township will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, at 7:00 PM at the Township Building 5344 Nor-Bath Blvd., Northampton, PA 18067 to consider the following application:

The appellants, Timberline Realty LLC and Pennsylvania Venture Capital Inc., request a Special Exception under Section 250-33.G (2) of the zoning ordinance to change an existing nonconforming use to another nonconforming use.

The property is located at 7191 Beth Bath Pike Bath, PA 18014, in East Allen Township, Tax Par- (60) days cel # L6-15-1B, located in the Agricultural / Rural Residential (A/RR) Zoning District.

Any interested party is welcome to attend and will have an opportunity to be heard.

Shawn Leidy East Allen Township Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer Dec.26, Jan. 2

**PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE OF ESTATE of Robert** O. Blose a/k/a Robert Blose, 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 Donald A. Blose, Executor, C/O Attorney Robert N. Rust III of Rust Law, LLC, 4461 Kohler Drive, Allentown, PA 18103. Dec. 12, 19, 26

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of FERN I. HAWK, deceased, late of Schnecksville, County of Lehigh and State 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 the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

EDWARD D. HAWK, JR. c/o Joshua D. Shulman, Esquire SHULMAN & SHABBICK 1935 Center Street Northampton, PA 18067

**PUBLIC NOTICE** ESTATE of HELEN M. QUIER, late of North Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:

Cynthia L. Laskoski, Executrix c/o John O. Stover, Jr., Esquire 537 Chestnut Street Emmaus, PA 18049 Or to her attorney: John O. Stover, Jr., 537 Chestnut Street

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PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

ESTATE OF LAWRENCE J. VASS A/K/A LAWRENCE JAMES VASS, Decedent, late of Coopersburg, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary 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: **Executor: CYNTHIA M. VASS** 

Emmaus, PA 18049

c/o Richard W. Shaffer, Jr., Esquire 7736 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051

Attorney: Richard W. Shaffer, Jr., Esquire 7736 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051 Dec.19, 26, Jan. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of Donna A. Line, late of Coplay, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Denise Buskaritz, , c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or her Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF THOMAS A. PIAIA, of the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION have been granted to the undersigned who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of said Decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Bernard E. Piaia, Jr.

4711 Northwood Street Philadelphia, PA 19124 or to his attorney Joseph J. Velitsky, Esquire 49 East Ludlow Street

Summit Hill, PA 18250 Dec. 12, 19, 26 **PUBLIC NOTICE** ESTATE of IVY KUHNS, late of the Township of Salisbury, County of Lehigh and Com-

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary on the above named estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or

MARGARET BETANCUR, Executrix C/O GAIL WEINER SHEARER, ESQUIRE or to: GAIL WEINER SHEARER, ESQUIRE

70 E. Broad Street PO Box 1426 Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426 Dec. 26, Jan 2, 9

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

Notice is hereby given that the Upper Macungie Township Board of Auditors will conduct a Reorganization Meeting on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031.

Kalman Sostarecz, Township Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township shall conduct a public hearing on Monday, January 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the Upper Macungie Township Building at 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony; evidence and comment from interest-ed parties and the public related to a request for Conditional Use for the proposed storage and distribution of liquid asphalt sealer products and asphalt emulsions within a Limited Light Industrial (LI(L)) District. The property is located at 6661 Tilghman Street between Snowdrift Road and Farm Bureau Road. Said Public Hearing is con-

(Section 27-118) of the Code of Ordinances of Upper Macungie Township. The general public shall have the right to attend

Kal Sostarecz, Secretary Upper Macungie Township

PUBLIC NOTICE

ducted pursuant to Chapter 27,

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS** 

The Borough of Emmaus, Lehigh County, PA, will receive sealed bids for lawn mowing and Bids shall be made upon Bidder's Forms sup-

plied by Emmaus Borough and must be in accordance with the Bid Specifications. Copies of the Bid Forms and Specifications may be obtained in the Borough Manager's Office, Emmaus Borough Hall, 28 S. Fourth St., Emmaus,

PA, 18049, for a nonrefundable fee of \$25.00. Bids shall be marked "Lawn Mowing and Trimming Services" and must be received in the Borough Manager's Office by 12:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 16, 2019. Bids will be publicly opened and read in Council Chambers at

12:00 P.M. on Wednesday, January 16, 2019. Bids shall remain firm for a period of sixty

The Borough of Emmaus reserves the right

to waive any informalities in or to reject any and all bids and to enter into such a contract as may be deemed to be in the best interest of the Bor-

Borough of Emmaus Shane Pepe, Borough Manager

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE of Laurel Sickler, a/k/a Laurel Marie Sickler, deceased, late of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

Mary Sharp-Ross, Executor Address: c/o Bruce W. Weida, Esq. 245 Main Street Emmaus, PA 18049 or to theirAttorney: Bruce W. Weida, Esq.

245 Main Street Emmaus, PA 18049

Dec. 12, 19, 26

**PUBLIC NOTICE** ESTATE of Patricia R. Eckrode, deceased,

late of Lower Macungie Township, 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 pay-

ments without delay to:
Charles A. McNeil, Executor Sandra Einsla, Executor Address: c/o Bruce W. Weida, Esq.

245 Main Street Emmaus, PA 18049 or to their Attorney: Bruce W. Weida, Esq. 245 Main Street Emmaus, PA 18049

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**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

ESTATE of Erma A. Snyder, deceased, late of Upper Macungie Township, 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:

Margaret V. Druckenmiller, Executor Address: c/o Bruce W. Weida, Esq.

245 Main Street Emmaus, PA 18049 or to their Attorney: Bruce W. Weida, Esq. 245 Main Street Emmaus, PA 18049

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**PUBLIC NOTICE** ESTATE of Gloria D. DeLong, deceased, late of Salisbury Township, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the under-

signed, 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: Judith Moyer, Executor Address: c/o Bruce W. Weida, Esq.

245 Main Street Emmaus, PA 18049 or to their Attorney: Bruce W. Weida, Esq. 245 Main Street Emmaus, PA 18049

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**PUBLIC NOTICE** ESTATE of MARILYN A. RICKEY, 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 De cedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make pay-

ments without delay to
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
c/o YOUNG & YOUNG 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

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**PUBLIC NOTICE** ESTATE of Shirley A. Leibensperger, deceased, late of Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

Bradley K. Leibensperger, Executrix c/o Emily A. Zettlemoyer 53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049 or to his attorney:

Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esq. 53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049 Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 2

Estate Notice of DOROTHY F. DAVIS, Deceased, late of Luther Crest Senior Living at 800 Hausman Road, Allentown, 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:

Dorothy Jane Zimmerman, Executor, 3401 Trexler Blvd., Allentown PA 18104. Dec. 12, 19, 26

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

Notice is hereby given that the Upper Macungie Township Board of Auditors will conduct a Reorganization Meeting on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031. Kalman Sostarecz, Township Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Committee meetings of the Lower Macungie Township Board of Commissioners will be held on an as needed basis at the Township Building, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, PA 18062 as follows:

**BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**, 1st Thursday of the month at 6:15 PM GENERAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE, rd Thursday of the month at 6:15 PM PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE, 1st Wednesday of the month at 4:30 PM **PUBLIC WORKS-ROADS & SEWERS COM-**MITTEE, 4th Monday of the month at 6:00 PM PUBLIC WORKS- PARKS & FACILITIES COM-MITTEE, 3rd Monday of the month at 6:00 PM All meetings are open to the public.

Renea Flexer Asst. Township Manager/Secretary

**PUBLIC NOTICE** Emmaus Borough Council will be voting on the following Ordinance at its January 21, 2019 Council Meeting:

**ORDINANCE NO. 1185** AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF EMMAUS, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REQUIRING TESTING, INSPECTION, REPAIR, AND REPLACEMENT OF BUILDING SEWERS AND SEWER LATERALS AND PROVIDING FOR REMEDIES AND PENALTIES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE.

The Meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall, Council Chambers, 28 South Fourth St., Emmaus, PA. The proposed Ordinance is available for inspection at Town Hall, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Shane M. Pepe, Borough Manager

PUBLIC NOTICE Atlantic Home Loans, Inc., hereby gives notice that a DBA of Next Home Loans has been registered with the Pennsylvania Department of State, Corporations Bureau.

**PUBLIC NOTICE** ZONING HEARING BOARD **UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP** 

NOTICE is hereby given that the Zoning Hearing Board will meet in the Upper Milford Township Municipal Building, 5671 Chestnut Street, Emmaus, PA 18049, on Monday, January 14, 2019 at 7:30 P.M. to hear the

ALL APPELLANTS MUST APPEAR AT THE HEARING Appeal No. 2019-01, Lehigh County Authority of 1053 Spruce Rd., P.O. Box 3348, Allentown, PA 18106, requests a Special Exception to Article 3, Section 304.B.1.d. (PUblic Utility Facility) and a Variance to Article 3, Section 305.A. (Maximum Impervious Coverage) of the Zoning Ordinance in order to construct a water treatment building and an aboveground storage tank at 5086 Gary Dr., Emmaus, PA 18049. Rural Agricultural (R-A) Zoning

ZONING HEARING BOARD UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP Linda Feiertag, Chairman

Dec. 26, Jan. 2

**PUBLIC NOTICE** NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Upper Macungie Township is soliciting bids for the following: BID #2018-12.02 for Grange Park Farmer's Market

Upper Macungie Township is soliciting bids from established local Non-Profit Organizations to lease a portion of Grange Park, 360 Grange Road, Allentown, PA 18104, and to create and manage a Farmer's Market

Sealed bids will be accepted until 10:00 a.m. on Monday, January 7, 2019 and should be delivered to the Township Secretary, Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031 On the exterior of the bid envelope should appear the words "BID EN-CLOSED" and "BID #2018-12.02."

On Monday, January 7, 2019 at 10:00 a.m., the bids shall be publicly opened and read at the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building at the address listed above.

Copies of the bid documents, including forms and specifications, may be viewed and obtained at the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building starting immediately, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on regular work days, and also on our website at www.uppermac.org. A bid security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid price shall

be submitted with the bid. Any questions or concerns concerning this notice should be directed to Bruce Koller, Director of Finance, Upper Macungie Township, at 610-395-

Upper Macungie Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to accept the bid which it determines is in its best interests

Kalman Sostarecz. Township Secretary Dec. 19, 26

PUBLIC NOTICE

Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, announces the 2019 public meeting schedule. All meetings are held at the Township Building, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, PA 18062, unless noted otherwise.

All meetings are open to the public and residents are encouraged to attend. The building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Any person that requires special assistance to understand the nature of business conducted at any meeting because of visual, hearing, or other impairment is requested to contact the Township Secretary at least (5) days prior to the scheduled meeting to arrange for the necessary assistance. All meetings will include any and all matters that may properly and duly come before the

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 7 pm; except there will be no meet-

ing on July 4, 2019. Executive Sessions will be held as needed, generally before or after a regularly scheduled meeting PLANNING COMMISSION

2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 pm; except the January meeting will be January 15th.

Workshops on 3rd Tuesday of month at 7 pm, as needed; except the Jan-PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

Last Wednesday of each month at 7 pm; except there is no meeting in De-PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 pm
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL 2nd Monday of each month at 7 pm; except there is no meeting in August.

ZONING HEARING BOARD 4th Tuesday of each month at 7 pm, as needed; except the December meeting will be the 3rd Tuesday, if needed. Agendas advertised, as needed.

AUDIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION Held at the Public Works Annex, 5536 Indian Creek Road, Macungie, PA Last Monday of the month in January, April, July and October, at 7 pm BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS and HISTORICAL COMMIS-

As advertised

Dec. 26

Renea Flexer, Asst. Township Manager/Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

ESTATE of SHIRLEY ANN SMITH, deceased, the Township of Plainfield, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to Brian L. Smith, 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 Brian L.

Smith, Executor. c/o Lori Gardiner Kreglow, Esquire,uire 18 East Market Street, P.O. Box 1961 Bethlehem, Pennsylvania 18016-1961

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**PUBLIC NOTICE** ESTATE of Susan Liska Janoski aka Susan L. Janoski, deceased, late of the Township of South Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

Address: Karen Kapioltas c/o Jamie Michael McFadden, Esq. 3055 College Heights Blvd., Suite 2B Allentown, PA 18104

or to their Attorney Jamie Michael McFadden, Esq. Address: 3055 College Heights Blvd., Suite 2B Allentown, PA 18104

The Lowhill Township Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a hearing on Tuesday, January 15,

2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Building at

7000 Herber Road, New Tripoli, PA to hear the

Appeal No. 170, Case No. 18-1, The appeal of Adams Outdoor Advertising Limited Partnership by its managing general partner, Adams Outdoor GP, LLC, and J & H Kalola LLC, for the property at 2992 Corporate Court, Orefield, Pennsylvania 18069. The Applicant seeks in the alternative variances from Sections 940, 941 and 942 of the Zoning Ordinance to place an advertising sign on the property and makes a validity challenge to the Zoning Ordinance asserting that the Zoning Ordinance is unconstitutional, invalid and an unreasonable and arbitrary exercise of police power and results in a de facto exclusion of advertising signs within the Township. The property is located in the Rural Village District (RV) and is designated as Tax Parcel No.

544784249751-1 Appeal No. 172, Case No. 18-3, The appeal of Glenroy Moyer for the property at 6547 Hollenbach Road, New Tripoli, Pennsylvania 18066. The Applicant seeks a variance from the condition in Section 309A of the Zoning Ordinance limiting special events at a site engaged in agri-tourism to one per month. The Applicant seeks to potentially engage in no more than one special event per day. The property is located in the Rural Conservation District (RC) and is designated as Tax Parcel No. 543992844950 1.

Appeal No. 173, Case No. 18-4, The appeal

James E. Mackin for the property at 6750 KOA Drive, New Tripoli, PA 18066. The Applicant seeks variances from Sections 741.01 and 871 of the Zoning Ordinance to construct a second single family residence on the property. The property is located in the Rural Conservation District (RC) and the Environmental Protection District (EP) and is designated as Tax Parcel No. 543899233000 1

FITZPATRICK LENTZ & BUBBA, P.C. SOLICITORS LOWHILL TOWNSHIP ZONING HEARING BOARD Dec. 26, Jan. 2



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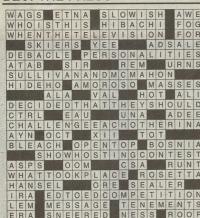


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**PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE** 

Notice is hereby given that, in the estate of the decedent set forth below, the Register of Wiills has granted letters, testamentary or of administration to the persons named. All persons having claims against said estate are requested to make known the same to them or their attorneys and all persons indebted to said decedent are requested to make payment without delay to the executors or administrators named below. **HUTNICK, THERESA J.,** Late of Northampton

THOMAS F. LESSEL, JR. Executor c/o 1620 Pond Road, Ste. 200 Allentown, PA 18104-2255 or EDWARD H. BUTZ, ESQ

1620 POND ROAD, SUITE 200 ALLENTOWN, PA 18104-2255 Dec. 19, 26, Jan. 2

**ESTATE NOTICE** 

Estate of Mary A. Wisser, Deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Testamentary have been granted to the un-dersigned, 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: Nancy K. Koller, Executor

Estate of Mary A. Wisser c/o John W. Ashley, Esquire Davison & McCarthy, P.C. Two City Center 645 Hamilton Street, Suite 510 Allentown, PA 18101

or to his attorneys at the above address. Dec. 12, 19, 26

PUBLIC NOTICE SALISBURY TOWNSHIP

2019 SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS Notice is hereby given that in 2019, the Regular Meetings of the Salisbury Township Board of Commissioners are held on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Municipal

Building, 2900 South Pike Avenue, Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Regular Meetings are followed by Workshop Meetings. No meeting will be held on November 28, 2019 due to the Thanksgiving holi-

Regular monthly meetings of other Salisbury Boards and Commissions are held at the Municipal Building as follows:

SALISBURY TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION Second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

SALISBURY TOWNSHIP ZONING HEARING BOARD First Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. (\*except November meeting will be held Wednesday, November 6, 2019)

SALISBURY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL Third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

SALISBURY TOWNSHIP RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE Third Monday of every other Month; starting with Jan., at 7:30 PM

ESTATE of RUTH MAE PHLLIPS, deceased,

late of Whitehall, PA. All persons having claims or demands against the said estate are requested to make known the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, without delay, to the administrator or her attorney named below Jan Marie Keeler Executrix:

c/o Feldman Law Offices, P.C. 221 N. Cedar Crest Blvd. Allentown, PA 18104 SAMUEL F. FELDMAN, Esquire Feldman Law Offices, P.C. 221 N. Cedar Crest Blvd.

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