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BASD United Way offers plan

By AMY HERZOG Special to the Bethlehem Press

uring the May 5 Bethlehem Area School District Curriculum Committee meeting, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Jack Silva appeared before the board presenting information about the district's partnership with the United Way and how it will change this upcoming school year if the district decides to continue the partnership.

Each year the board must approve a Memorandum of Agreement for each BASD community school and provides nominal matching funds; the total cost to the district is \$30,000. The expense is cational programs budget.

The goal of the partnership is to best serve BASD students and families by aligning the BASD Roadmap to Educational By CAROLE GORNEY Excellence with the Unit- Special to the Bethlehem Press ed Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley's investment plan. This strategy is designed to transform the school into a hub in the neighborhood by organizing a wide range of that men coming out of

See BASD on Page A2

CITY **Authority** awaits armory study

By DOUGLAS GRAVES Special to the Bethlehem Press

National Guard Armory on 301 Prospect Ave. in West Bethlehem has been setting empty for some time.

The Bethlehem Redevelopment Authority May 4 approved a resolution that authorized the authority, acting for the City of Bethlehem, to lease the armory and related property with an option to buy.

Not long ago the armory was a periodic scene of tears as soldiers and their families or girlfriends or boyfriends embraced, saying their goodbyes. Now it stands

empty. Old sport or achievement trophies are still on shelves near the front door, gathering dust.

When looking through the front door windows, it looks like a huge apartment quickly abandoned.

Tony Hanna, executive director of the Bethlehem

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Stephen's Place



PRESS PHOTOS BY CAROLE GORNEY

included in the BASD edu- Residents help with chores at the house, including working in the vegetable garden.

home, not just a halfway house

he mission statement tells most of the story "Stephen's Place believes programs and services prison should have a safe, spiritual environment in order to address early recovery from substance abuse, as well as develop personal life skills. Therefore, Stephen's Place provides a halfway house to help these men

transition back into the community as productive citizens.' What the statement doesn't explain is just how much of a home Stephen's Place is for its residents, and the role it plays in



tors in keeping offenders from returning to drug use and prison. Since the halfway house opened 20 years ago in South Bethlehem, it has been home to

Sister Longcope

The founder and heart Stephen's Place is Sister Viginia Longcope, a member of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart, an order dedicated to healing, teaching and caring. Her story begins with a trip to visit family in North Carolina, where a nephew was arrested for armed robbery and sentenced to a long term in prison.

'I knew I couldn't do anything for him, but I wanted to help other

young people in trouble," she remembers.

After returning to her job as a fifth grade teacher in Whitehall, Sister Longcope began helping



Sister Longcope provides individual and family intervention counseling as part of her duties as director of Stephen's Place.

PRESS PHOTOS BY CAROLE GORNEY

CITY Morganelli, Rotman named to posts

By DAWN NIXON Special to the Bethlehem Press

ity Hall's rotunda erupted into applause after Diana Morganelli was appointed to the Bethlehem Parking Authority on a 7-0 vote by city council May 21.

Morganelli, a long-time stay-at-home mother, had come under criticism due to the gap in her resume during the years she spent parenting her children.

Council member Karen Dolan addressed Morganelli during the meet-ing, saying, "We never fault any parents who have a gap in their work history due to parenting. I learned a lot about treating people with more respect in all situations. I feel very sad that this has created some public stress for Mrs. Morganelli. I hope that this has not hurt you, and that if it has, it will pass. I support Mrs. Morganelli."
Council President J.

William Reynolds also voiced his support for Morganelli.

"I served with her on the library board. Her skills will fit in well with the parking authority," he said.

Lynn Fryman Rothman, also a long-time stayhome parent, was appointed to the Environmental Advisory Council on a 7-0 vote during the same

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PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

How do you feel about the recent state Supreme Court ruling that police officers no longer need a warrant to conduct a vehicle search?



"I think it's wrong, especially if profiling is involved which seems to always happen." **Zoe Wolkowitz** St. Louis, Mo.



"I'm fine with it. If the police would smell drugs, why not be able to search immediately?"

Jesse Correll Bethlehem



"As long as they have probable cause, I have no problem. That's what New Jersey does." **Andrew Schaffer Bethlehem**



"There is great room for abuse of power. On the other hand, with limited resources the police need the opportunity to be more efficient. **Rich Wolkowitz** St. Louis, Mo.



"I go with the idea, but it is a tricky subject. This gives the police a chance to get people who may already have warrants out on them." John Cserba **Bethlehem**

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"I'm a lawyer in Northampton and Monroe Counties. If stops of motor vehicles were not being based on race, which has been my experience, then perhaps the decision wouldn't have that much impact. I agree more with the dissenting opinion than the majority opinion." **Janet Jackson** Bethlehem



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PLACE

Continued from page A1 in charge of the prison volunteers suggested that the nun should work full time as a parole office, she decided instead to study to be a prison chaplain. Classes were in a maximum security prison in South Carolina, where she interned in the drug and alcohol unit.

One of her teachers told her if she really wanted to make an impact, she should get a master's degree in social work.

Two years of study and another internship in a prison led to a job at a South Carolina work release center run by the department of corrections. That job lasted three and a half years.

'Start a house'

While she was working at the center, a young man was about to released from prison. He had a job, but no place to live. Sister Longcope found him an apartment.

Later he encouraged her to "start a house so you can help more people like me." His name was

"I had already been thinking about that [opening a halfway house]," Sister Longcope recalls, "but Stephen was the catalyst that got me going. I could see the revolving door, and I wanted to do something to stop the cycle.'

It would be some time, though, before Stephen's Place became a reality, and many miles away.

Return to Valley In 1992, Sister returned



The Sacred Heart medal embedded in the archway in the house chosen to become the Stephen's Place halfway house.

to the Lehigh Valley, in part to be closer to her religious order in Reading, and also to take advantage of what she felt would be a much more supportive community. She worked as a contract counselor while she wrote grants and looked for a house. Finally, at the end of 1993, she found what she believed was the perfect place.

'It had two things that made me sure it was right a crucifix in the living room, and embedded in an archway in the kitchen was an emblem of the sacred heart."

Buying a house

It would take \$85,000 to buy the house, and a cosigner for the loan. The Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart decided to loan the money instead. Grants paid off half of the amount in a few years, and in honor of its Jubilee year in 2000, the order for-

gave the balance. Today, Stephen's Place houses five men, who are required to help with chores, attend two meet-

ings together each week and keep a 10 p.m. curfew. They plant landscaping, grow vegetables, clean rooms and help with cooking. The lessons Sister Longcope says she wants the men to learn are responsibility and accountability.

"Addicts are very selfish people, so what I require, especially in the first 90 days" Sister says, "is make them tell me ahead of time what their plans are and what they are doing. Any kind of relationship requires you to learn how to live with and plan to consider oth-

In return, residents are given help getting jobs, and when they are ready to leave, Stephen's Place subsidizes their rent. Help with family intervention is also provided.

A success story

One of the home's many success stories, and one that Sister Longcope likes to talk about, involves a young man who two years ago stayed at Stephen's Place for 13

months. He enrolled at a local community college and was just accepted as one of 30 students to be enrolled in a highly competitive health care degree program that begins in September. These days, program costs are paid from grants, gifts from foundations and local businesses, and donations from individuals. Enough was raised in 2001 to expand and renovate the facility, but there is one growing concern for which more money is being raised. Sister Longcope is 75 years old, and she is anxious to establish a fund sufficient to pay a director when she is no longer able to run the program.

June 7 event

To that end, a benefit dinner and auction is planned from 6 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, June 7, at the Se-wy-co Banquet Hall at 3621 Old Philadelphia Pike in Bethlehem. Tickets may be purchased for \$50 each by calling Stephen's Place at 610-861-7677.

ARMORY

Continued from page A1 Redevelopment Authority (BRA), said, "We are excited about working with the city and the commonwealth on leasing this building with the intention to purchase, preserve and redevel-

The state of Pennsylvania owns the building and has set the market value of the site at \$272,000, a figure the city negotiated down from \$340,000 because of restrictive development clauses in the contract.

The BRA is waiting on recommendations from a feasibility study that Hanna expects will recommend best uses of the armory, an Art Deco style building erected in 1930. Additions were built in 1938 and 1968.

Once recommended usages are determined, requests for proposals will seek contractors to redevelop the site.

The redevelopment authority will likely sell the building to a private developer to cover the purchase cost, Hanna said.

The 26,718-square-foot brick two-story building sits on two acres. It is a semi-detached building with bay doors suitable for small trucks to enter and large fenced-in storage yard or parking lot currently hosting several wrecked

The building has a large drill hall, administrative space, classrooms, kitchen,



PRESS PHOTO BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

The National Guard Armory on 301 Prospect Ave. in West Bethlehem is a candidate for redevelopment.

a large vehicle storage area.

According to Hanna, Bethlehem was contacted in Affairs of the Common-Hanna who considers wealth of Pennsylvania to advantage to the city. determine the city's interest in acquiring the proper-

special clause in its offer. It would convey the property under and subject to a historic preservation covenant approved by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, according to Hanna, who cited a city press release.

That clause requires that the Bethlehem Armory be maintained and preserved

multiple storage areas and dards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.

This preservation clause lowered the "fair market 2011 by the Department of value" of the property by 20 Military and Veterans percent, according to Hanna who considers it an

A second advantage is that the property with the covenants qualifies the The department had a owner to get some Federal tax benefits.

'We are excited about working with the city and the commonwealth on leasing this building with the intention to purchase, preserve and redevelop it," said Hanna in a press release.

Hanna said in 2012 that he believes the city would have no trouble recouping in accordance with the Sec- the investment once the retary of the Interior's Stan-city decides on how to rede-

velop the old armory.

The building would likely be sold to a developer or leased to multiple users, Hanna said.

He said he expects the use study or proposal from USA Architects to be ready in about six weeks.

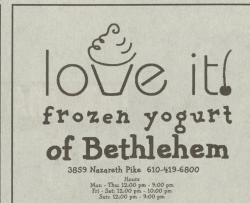
The 2012 press release said the study, "will examine options for housing, high tech or incubator or post-incubator commercial and office uses along with other options for adaptive reuse.'

The study will include an initial survey of the existing building and will also include zoning and code analysis, as well as cost estimates for various development options, according to information provided by the city.

The Bethlehem Armory, which held units of the Pennsylvania National Guard, has been unoccupied since 2010, when the Easton Readiness Center and Field Maintenance Shop opened. That complex is at Uhler Road and Kesslersville Road in Forks Township, near Braden Air-

The new 60,000-squarefoot facility cost \$21.3 million, according to published

The armory is on the National Register of Historic Places, having been added Nov. 14, 1991. It has also been known as the Floyd Simons Armory.



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Senior Health and Fitness Day, all day, Country Meadows of Bethlehem, 4035 Green Pond Road. Call 610-533-2474 or email kkuntz@countrymeadows.com.

Thursday, May 30

Salvation Army, seniors 50 and over, 10:45 am. program with with Dr. Francis Salerno: Fall Prevention, followed by lunch (donation). 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681.

Lifeline Screening, all day, there is a cost; stroke and osteoporosis screenings; Cathedral Church of the Nativity, 321 Wyandotte St. Call 1-877-237-1287 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com.

Tunes at Twilight, Don Cunningham and Associates, 6 to 8 p.m. Sun Inn Courtyard, 564 Main St.

LEPOCO with Candice Camargo, FOR Peace Presence in Columbia exec. director, 7 p.m. Lehigh Valley Friends Meeting, 4116 Bath Pike

Saturday, May 31

Art Walk, 4 to 8 p.m., north side Historic district, Main and Broad streets. Kids Corner: 60 W. Broad St.

Barn Photo Workshop, 9 a.m. to noon, rain or shine, Heller Homestead, 1890-92 Friedensville Road (Water Street, Hellertown). 610-216-0566 or visit SVConservancy@aol.com. Register by May 29.

Monday, June 2

Sweet Adelines open house, all welcome, 7 p.m. Sts. Simon and Jude R.C. Church, social hall, 730 W. Broad St. Call 610-395-2997 or visit Lehigh Valley Chorus Sweet Adelines on Facebook.

Veterans meetings, Harry F.W. Johnson Post #379 American Legion, followed by the United Veterans of Bethlehem meetings, 7 p.m. D.A.R. Log Cabin in the Rose Garden, Eighth Avenue and W. Union Boulevard. Call 610-866-3835.

Tuesday, June 3

Salvation Army, Calling All Bridge players, for seniors, 10 a.m. to noon. 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681.

Wednesday, June 4

Salvation Army, drop-in center for seniors, 9:30 to 11 a.m.; Bible study on Psalms, open to all adults, 11 a.m.; Women's ministries, painting party with Anne Maietico 1 p.m.; 521 Pembroke Road. Call

To have an event listed, contact George Taylor at 610-625-2121, ext. 3112, gtaylor@tnonline.com or fax 610-625-2126. For additional local news items not in our print edition, check out www.bethlehempress-aroundtown.blogspot.com

MEETING BOARD

Wednesday, May 28

Bethlehem Parking Authority, 4:30 p.m. 85 W. North St. Lehigh Co. Commissioners, 7:30 p.m., public hearing room, Government Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.

Bethlehem City Zoning Hearing Board canceled.

Monday, June 2

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

Hanover Township Planning Commission, 7 p.m., 3630 Jack-

Hellertown Borough Council meeting, 7 p.m., 685 Main St. Bethlehem Twp. Board of Commissioners meeting, 7 p.m. municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.

Tuesday, June 3

Bethlehem City CounciL, 7 p.m. City Hall, 10 E. Church St. Freemansburg Council, 7 p.m., 600 Monroe St.

Wednesday, June 4

Historical Architectural Review Board-HARB, 4 p.m., City Hall, 10 E. Church St.

GRADUATIONS

Thursday, May 29

Notre Dame HS baccalaureate and commencement practice in the gym, 3417 Church Road, Easton.

Friday, May 30

Moravian Academy, baccalaureate, 6:30 p.m. Central Moravian Church, 40 W. Church St.

Notre Dame HS, baccalaureate, 7 p.m., Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 3219 Santee Road.

Saturday, May 31

Moravian Academy commencement, 5 p.m. Upper Campus, 4313 Green Pond Road.

Sunday, June 1

Notre Dame HS graduation, 1 p.m., at the school, 3417 Church Road, Easton.

Monday, June 2

Bethlehem Catholic HS baccalaureate practice, noon, auditorium, 2133 Madison Ave.

Tuesday, June 3 Bethlehem Catholic HS graduation practice; June 4 if needed.

Wednesday, June 4

Bethlehem Catholic HS baccalaureate, 7 p.m., auditorium, 2133

Liberty HS graduation practice, Memorial Gym. Freedom HS graduation, 7 p.m. Stabler Arena, 124 Goodman

Thursday, June 5

Bethlehem Catholic HS commencement, 7 p.m., auditorium,

2133 Madison Ave.

L.V. Regional Charter Academy, graduation, 6:30 p.m., Zoellner Center, Lehigh University.

Liberty HS graduation, 7 p.m. Stabler Arena, 124 Goodman

Friday, June 6

L.V Christian HS graduation, 7 p.m., Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church, 1151 S. Cedar Crest Blvd., Allentown.

Friday, June 13

Saucon Valley HS graduation, 7 p.m. auditorium, 2100 Polk Val-

Monday, June 16

Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Performing Arts, graduation, 7

p.m., Packer Chapel, Lehigh University.



PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN

had voted earlier, also with his two young daughters. The parents vote at different times due to work obligations. The girls seemed to be content with the double dosage of the election process their mother are her two daughters, Branwen and and politics.

Slow day at the polls



Jane Schantz makes her ballot selections

behind the red curtains. during the May 20 pri-

mary at Northeast MS. Sharing the booth with

Aislinn, both students at St. Anne School. "They

learn; it's educational," said Brian Schantz who

Senior poll worker Betty Stewart, 91, completes the Numbered List of Voters before the 8 p.m. closing of the polls at Tuesday's Pennsylvania Primary. The Northampton County 15th Ward. 1st District workers compiled a list of some 184 residents who turned out to cast their ballots from among 1,285 registered voters. Stewart, a Bethlehem native and longtime poll worker, was called back from unofficial retirement recently.



Louise and John R. Babirak review a sample ballot. "We vote in every election," John said, proudly noting that his late father, also John, received an award from the state for not missing an election in 50 years. The sample ballot illustrated the high incidence of unopposed candidates, which may have contributed to the low voter turnout for the primary.



Mother and daughter, wearing smiles, leave a voting booth at Northampton County 15th Ward, 1st District polling site in Bethlehem. "It's your civic duty to vote," said Diana Hutton Carrillo, who votes regularly and often brings her daughter, Cavetana Carrillo, a student at Thomas Jefferson ES. Carrillo, a Canadian who moved to the United States a number of years ago, said she became an American citizen so she could vote. The Bethlehem resident is also active in local politics as a poll watcher.





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AREA DEATHS

Nathan Rivers

Pentecostal Church member

lehem, died May 19, 2014.

Born in Orangeburg, S.C. he was a son of the late Nick and Mary Rivers. He was the husband



Rivers for 59 years. He worked in various capacities for 25 years at made by James Funeral the former Allentown Home Inc., Bethlehem. State Hospital and for 10

Nathan Rivers, of Beth- years at St. Luke's Hospital, Fountain Hill.

He was a member of Holy Bethel Pentecostal Church, Bethlehem.

He is survived by three sons, Nathan Jr. and John A., both of Bethlehem, and James S. and his wife Terry of Bethlehem Township; a daughter, Mary Jane Richards of Bethlehem; and a host of extended family and friends.

Arrangements were

Alma H. Hoyak

church founding member

Bethlehem, died May 16, erman of Maryland and 2014. She was a daughter Jill and her husband Alan of the late Stanley and Perlman of Bethlehem; Antkiewicz. She was the and his wife Joyce of

the age of 82.

She was a founding Brecken. member of Notre Dame of Bethlehem Catholic made to the church, 1861 Church.

She was a member of lehem, PA 18018. 24-7 Fitness from its opening, well into her 80s.

She is survived by two Home Inc., Bethlehem. daughters, Pamela and

Alma H. Hoyak, 88, of her husband John Bow-(Kwas) two sons, Curt Vincent Joseph Hoyak for 58 years. pher Kent of Georgia; 12 She was a bookkeeper. grandchildren, Kather-She worked for Adams ine, Jaclyn, James and Clothing, Hess's Deptart- his wife Hayley, Amanda, ment Store and Thorton Lindsay, Jessica, Adam, Jewelers and retired from Sean, Chloe, Seever and Lutron after 12 years at Sawyer; and two greatgrandchildren, Noah and

> Contributions may be Catasauqua Road, Beth-

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Helen Gonzales

Holy Infancy member

Hellertown, died May 17, Augusto and Anthony 2014, in Old Orchard August; a sister, Alberta Health Care Center, East- Csala; 15 grandchildren; on. Born in Bethlehem, and 15 great-grandchilshe was a daughter of the dren. late Joaquim and Conceicao Augusto. She was the by a daughter, Olivia Lock; wife of the late Jassman and three sisters, Mary Gonzales.

Holy Infancy Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

She is survived by three sons, Jack of Hellertown, Arnold and his wife Linda of Greentown and Anthony and his wife Gwendolyn of Bethlehem;

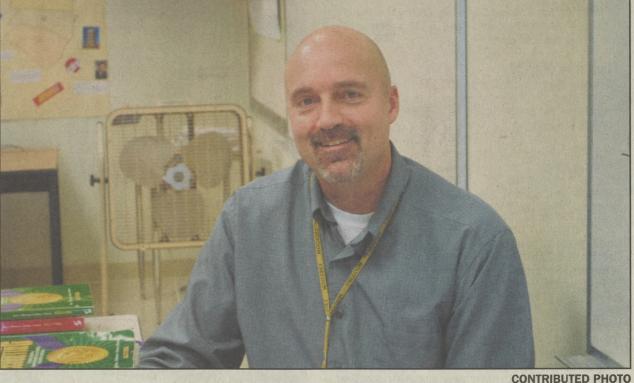
Helen Gonzales, 92, of two brothers, Aurelio

She was predeceased Onzales. Achando, Rose August She was a member of and Alice Santos.

made to the Heartland basketball player, and he Hospice, 881 Marcon Blvd., Allentown, PA 18109.

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A TRIBUTE TO RONALD MADOUSE



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Ronald Madouse was known to be quiet, yet helpful to others when needed. In addition to the wife of the late Vincent Bethlehem and Christo- accounting courses he taught, Mr. Madouse

advised several activities over the years at Freedom.

'He will be dearly missed by all'

By CAITLIN McCADDEN Special to the Bethlehem Press

It is with a heavy heart that Freedom HS has to say goodbye to long time business teacher and beloved colleague Ronald William Madouse, who died April 15.

Before his passing, Mr. Madouse had been with the Bethlehem Area School District since 1992. He was an established accounting and business teacher at FHS since 2000. Although, he was primarily a teacher and adviser at Freedom, Madouse taught at Nitschmann MS for quite some time before moving to Freedom. Additionally, he was very involved with the Whitehall community.

Madouse, a 1980 graduate of Whitehall HS, was Contributions may be an all-star high school also played baseball. After receiving his degree from Arrangements were Bloomsburg University

By BERNIE O'HARE

Special to the Bethlehem Press

familiar with PennDOT.

A two-year widening

project along Freemansburg

Avenue is scheduled to start

in September. Bethlehem

Township Commissioners

approved a host of motions

and resolutions related to

the project at their May 19 meeting. The good news is

that St. Luke's Hospital and

Madison Farms developers

will be picking up the tab,

which includes a new bridge

work is scheduled to take

when residents Roy and

The bad news is that the

This comes at a time

over Route 33.

over two years.

Wilmington College in 1990. Madouse returned to Whitehall HS in 2004 to coach the junior varsity basketball team.

Madouse provided the same level of professionalism and concern for his students as he did the teaching staff. His fellow colleagues thought of him with the utmost respect ,not only as an accounting teacher, but also as a per-

"I think it is impossible to find somebody that had a negative thought or negative word about Mr. Madouse," said Michael LaPorta, principal of FHS.

That respect could be seen at his funeral, which was well attended by friends and family, childhood friends, Whitehall

number of kids who have er of several clubs over

him what a great teacher he was and how he had prepared them for going away for college," said of Future Business Lead-FHS Athletic Director ers of America (FBLA). Diane Jordan.

business teachers Brad Bloszinsky and Robert Petrosky, worked very closely with Madhouse during his time at Freedom. Bloszinsky said his favorite memory of Madouse was their lunches together as a depart-

"He often said our lunch room antics and conversations should have been recorded, so he could look back at those," Bloszinsky said.

Around the school, Madouse was known to sophmore Michael Mele. be quiet, yet helpful to students, college friends others when needed. In and other members of the addition to the account- junior at Freedom HS and ing courses he taught. a student reporter for the "I cannot tell you the Madouse was the advis-

in 1984 and his MBA from come back and have told the years, such as DECA and the Financial Club. Most recently, he worked with Freedom's chapter As the adviser, he assisted Jordan, along with students as they competed in regional and state business competitions, which impacted the students in a positive way.

The memories and positive interactions that Madouse created at Freedom and in the surrounding community with family, friends, colleagues and students will continue to shine.

"He was a very nice man, and we talked a lot about sports every day after class. He will be dearly missed by all," said

Caitlin McCadden is a Bethlehem Press.

Anthony A. Strobel

48" Rolling Mill

Anthony A. Strobel, 94, Anthony Jr. and his wife of Bethlehem, died May Shari of Whitehall; a 15, 2014, at Whitehall daughter, Antoinette and Manor. Born in Bethle- her husband Allen Hauser hem, he was a son of the of Huntsville, Utah; a late Joseph and Elizabeth daughter-in-law, (Matiska) Strobel. He was Diane, wife of the late the husband of the late Joseph Strobel; nine Helen E. (Segti) Strobel. grandchildren, George Helen E. (Segti) Strobel.

He was a paratrooper in the U.S. Army 101st Strobel, Robert, Brad and Airborne Division during World War II.

hem Steel after 33 years of grandchildren; and one service in the 48" Rolling Mill and Fire Department. He later retired as the Wackenhut Security,

ber of St. Peter's Evan- and Walter. gelical Lutheran Church.

the seniors group at Our cer Society 3893 Adler Lady Help of Christians. Place, Suite 170, Bethle-He was a member of the hem, PA 18017. Joliette Card Club.

He is survived by a son,

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Dolan also expressed

"She spent the last 15

her support for Rothman.

years as a stay home

mom," Dolan said, "and

she is very smart and

engaged. She will do a

cil. She is a great candi-

meeting.

Wiggins, Joseph and Scott Brent Hauser, Tracy Dobra, Brad Horwath and He retired from Bethle- Tamara Mitchell; 17 great great-great-granddaugh-

He was predeceased by head of security from a son, Joseph; a daughter, Elizabeth; two sisters, assigned to Mack Trucks. Margaret and Elizabeth; He was a former mem- and two brothers, Joseph

Contributions may be He was a member of made to American Can-

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his concerns to Mayor

Robert Donchez that coun-

cil is hesitant to challenge

the views of the mayor

for fear of over-reaching

of the time council is in

healthy thing," Callahan

said. "If council has a dis-

'One hundred percent

their authority.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP - Route 33 work to take 2 years "The best-laid schemes of mice and men gang aft agley," says poet Robert Burns. He must have been



PRESS PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE

Bethlehem Township Police Department's new Cpl. Stephen Malitizi is joined by his wife, Jennifer, and sons Tyler and Jaden.

Barry Roth are complaining about congestion along William Penn Highway, the rush hours, they have even officials to meet with Penn-DOT about re-timing the

Commissioners also heard again from Chetwin Melissa Shafer told Kresge Terrace resident Wayne that public works will be Kresge, who has been a reg- out there within a month, ular at meetings for the past year. He has been plagued by

Emrick Boulevard.

stormwaters that come from other east-west corridor in William Penn Highway, the township. They both across the bike path and noted that, in addition to flood onto his property. He told commissioners that seen it on Saturday morn- there were four inches of ings. They asked township rainwater on the bike path after a recent downpour. "If some child is out

traffic light coming from there, he'll be swept away," he warned.

Township manager and promised to visit the next heavy rainfall.

missioners on improvements at Housenick Park. is under way and that she is be put out to bid. working on securing a pertoured the Archibald Johnston Mansion and reported there is no leakage. She said the chimneys need work, especially since a tree is growing in one of them.

Commissioner Michael Hudak, who previously property herself after the asked Kunsman Roofing to examine the roof, also clar- and sons Tyler and Jaden.

Shafer also updated com- ified that the roof repair projection was not a technical "estimate," and that if She noted that work on a the roof were being driveway and parking lot repaired, the matter would

Kunsman Roofing has manent easement. She also been making bi-annual inspections and repairs at the mansion.

Finally, Officer Officer Stephen Malitzki Jr., was sworn in as a corporal in the Township Police Department by President Marty Zawarski. Malitizi was joined by his wife, Jennifer,

Continued from page A1 around a common vision to serve students and fam-

The new investment plan presented by Jill Pereira, of the United Way, outlines the goals the

achieve in the coming years academically, along with investments in community schools and promthe Lehigh Valley. The

organization hopes to students reading on grade MS, and William Penn ES level by 50 percent by 2022.

'This is the United Way to get all third graders ising neighborhoods of reading," Pereira said.

The current schools goal of increasing the coln ES, Fountain Hill ES, number of third grade Donegan ES, Broughal superintendent.

starting 2014-15.

Silva told the board he putting our stake out there strongly recommends continuing the memorandum of understanding.

'We are happy to keep United Way has set the that participate are Lin-pushing this ahead," said Dr. Joseph Roy, BASD

ness portion of the coun- is part of our job. It is not cil meeting, council mem- being power hungry or ber Bryan Callahan voiced over-reaching.

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great job on the Environ- agreement with the mayor

mental Advisory Coun- and I don't think it's a

During the new busi- agreement or questions, it

CITY POLICE

Shoplifting

Police arrested three men in separate incidents of shoplifting May 16.

Police arrested Jose Rivera-Rodriguez, 47, of Lebanon Street, around 12:15 a.m. when he was spotted taking two hanging flower pots from the Stefko Boulevard Valley Farm Market.

Police arrested Randy Bond, 45, of Carlton Avenue, around 12:20 p.m. for stealing an unspeci-fied type of alcohol from the East Fourth Street Wine and Spirits shop.

Police arrested Hiram Rosario, 41, of Center Street, around 7 p.m. for stealing unspecified items from the Montclair Avenue Aharts Market.

charged with retail theft. ing a clear spring morning May 5. Donchez and



PRESS PHOTOS BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI

Police Chief Mark DiLuzio knock on doors to hear All three men are Southside neighborhood near the Skateplaza dur- the concerns of Southside residents.

Drunk

Police arrested 21-yearold Sean Koch of West Broad Street after he allegedly meandered drunkenly into a crime

Police said while they and firefighters were attending to a burning vehicle at the West Goepp Street Silk Mill apartments around 2:20 a.m. May 18, Koch wandered onto the scene and wound his way over fire equipment and around working firefighters to get a better view of the damaged car.

Officers determined Koch was drunk and, after he became hostile and unruly, charged him with public drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

He was released to a sober friend who had been nearby watching the incident.

BRIDGIA

VETERANS Meetings set for June 2

The United Veterans of Bethlehem and The Harry F.W. Johnson Post #379 Bethlehem American Legion will meet on June 2 at the DAR Log Cabin, Rose Garden, Eighth Avenue and West Union Boulevard.

The American Legion meeting will begin at 7 p.m. and the United Veterans meeting will begin immediately following the Legion meeting. All veterans are welcome to attend. Veterans who are not presently Legionnaires or those wishing to transfer to a local Bethlehem post are also invited. For information, call 610-866-

STEELSTACKS ULI finalist project

SteelStacks Arts and Cultural Campus has been selected as a finalist for the ULI Philadelphia Willard "Bill" G. Rouse Awards for Excellence to

be announced June 18. The honor is given to the best projects in real estate completed within the last five years in eastern and central Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and Delaware. Steel-Stacks is a nominee for the creative adaptive reuse by the City of Bethlehem, transforming the old Bethlehem Steel Plant into a state-of-the-art cultural center that preserves the history of steelmaking while providing open space for events and setting a new course for the city.



Mayor Bob Donchez took a walking tour of the

Mayor Bob Donchez laughs with a resident of East Third Street while asking if he needs any smoke detectors for his home.



Police and fire department officials tag along, with Fire Chief Bob Novatnack and his crew bringing along boxes of spare smoke detectors and batteries for free distribution to promote fire safety in the city.

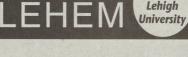
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Donchez takes a walk



Donchez spends a few moments chatting up residents as he and city officers tour Third and Fourth streets.

BRIEFLY

SENIORS Farmers Market coupons ready

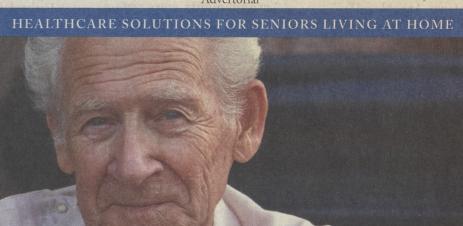
Coupons worth a total of \$20 are available to Northampton County residents who meet income eligibility criteria, thanks to continuation of the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The coupons are distributed by the Northampton County Area Agency on Aging. Northampton County

residents age 60 or over with incomes less than \$21,590 per year are eligible, as are married couples with incomes of \$29,101 per year or less. For married couples, both spouses may obtain coupons. Proof of age and residence must be presented by all persons wishing to receive coupons. A proxy may obtain coupons for another person only if they have a completed and signed proxy form, available for pick-up at the agency office, 2801 Emrick Boulevard, and all senior centers and also available on the website, www.northamptoncoun-

Persons may only receive coupons once during the program, which runs from June 2 until Sept. 30, 2014. Income eligibility is based on self-declaration. Coupons must be used at state-registered farmers markets; a listing of such in area counties is available from the Area Agency on Aging. The coupons cannot be used in supermar-kets or grocery stores.

The coupons are available from 9 to 11 a.m. June 3 at the Rooney Senior Center, Four E. Fourth St.; from 10 to 11 a.m. June 17 at the Hispanic Senior Center, 520 E. Fourth St.; and from 1 to 2 p.m. June 18 at Old York Road Senior Center, 720 Old York Road, until supplies are exhausted.

Advertorial



Senior LIFE Offers Eligible Area Seniors an Alternative to Nursing Homes.

By Melanie Klein for Senior LIFE

LEHIGH VALLEY - More seniors in Lehigh Valley are discovering that they are able to stay in their homes and still receive the quality healthcare, nutrition and support that they need.

Senior LIFE provides healthcare, transportation and support services to eligible seniors in Lehigh Valley with a LIFE Center at 2045 Westgate Drive in Bethlehem.

Increased Affordability

Senior LIFE, a Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) is a Medicare approved health care program providing physician, nursing, rehabilitation, dietary, personal care and other services to qualifying seniors in the comfort of their home and at the Senior LIFE Center.

Increased Quality

PACE providers are strictly regulated for quality of care. Because of this, member satisfaction is high, with many reporting more than a 90% satisfaction rating.

Senior LIFE demonstrates its commitment to quality by assembling the best medical and support staff available in each area it serves. Its primary care physicians are available to seniors whenever they are needed and can do home visits when needed. Further, the Senior LIFE nursing team is on call 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.

Needed Services

Services available through Senior LIFE run the gamut from in-home nursing, personal care and nutritional services to medical, social and rehabilitation services at the LIFE Center. Home care includes skilled nursing, assistance with medications, dressing, bathing, toileting, meal preparation and cleaning. At the Center, members may see geriatric doctors, specialists, nurses, social workers, and physical, speech and occupational therapists.

For More Information

Seniors and their families who are interested in more information may call Senior LIFE at (610) 954-5433. Complimentary tours and lunch at the facility can also be arranged.

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Dazzler is cute and cur- Cameo is sweet and will need regular grooming. microchipped and litter She is current on shots, spayed, microchipped and ready for a new

PEOPLE

Yencho earns OT pin

Misericordia University student Beth Yencho of Bethlehem, enrolled in the weekend occupational therapy master's degree program, recently received her pin and presented a group research project during the annual Graduate Research Presentation Conference in Sandy and Marlene Insalaco Hall on campus.

The 18-month-long collaborative research projects are closely mentored by faculty and are a requirement of the occupational therapy master's degree curriculum. The research topics were chosen collaboratively by Misericordia University faculty research committee chairs and stu-

Students presented their findings by delivering 20-minute presentations on their research topics, using either a poster or podium format. The students will have their master's degrees conferred in September and graduate in December. For more information, visit www.misericordia.edu/ot.

Wilson to sing in NYC premier

Joshua Wilson of Bethlehem performed the New York City premiere of Christopher Rouse's Requiem as a member of the Westminster Symphonic Choir and the New York Philharmonic, conducted by Alan Gilbert May 5 at Carnegie Hall, New York City. The concert was also broadcast live on WQXR-FM and online at www.wqxr.org.

He is a student at Westminster Choir College of the Arts, a division of Rider University, Princeton, N.J., which prepares students at the undergraduate and graduate levels for careers in teaching, sacred music and performance. Visit www.rider-.edu/wcc.

Submit PEOPLE news items to gtaylor@tnonline.com, fax 610-625-2126 or mail it to PEOPLE, c/o Bethlehem Press, 308 E. Third St., Bethlehem, PA 18105.

Next book sale begins July 9



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

The Bethlehem Area Public Library's book sales often offer new books by some of the best known authors, and at bargain prices.

The May book sale at the Bethlehem Area Public Library, which was held May 14 and 17, added another \$8,997 to library coffers for library programming initiatives. Book sale patrons took advantage of varied and plentiful offerings in areas such as cooking, gardening and mysteries, to meet their reading and learning needs. The next book sale is scheduled July 9 and 12. For additional information on all future book sales, visit www.bestbooksale.org or call 610-867-3761 extension 235.

NorCo's computers housed in safe conditions

By BERNIE O'HARE Special to the Bethlehem Press

At this time last year, Northampton County's sensitive computer room - the nerve center of all county operations - was in complete disarray. Servers and switches were threatened by failing air conditioners, roof leaks and even invading birds and vermin. County Council quickly appropriated \$650,000 in this year's budget to fix the problem.

Before the May 15 council meeting, like a proud father, **Director of Information Services** Al Jordan took everyone on tours of the renovated room. It was like stepping into a space shuttle, with thousands of blinking lights and blowers keeping strict control of the temperature.

The only problem was getting

"Open the doors, HAL," ordered Jordan at the end of the

"I'm afraid I can't do that, Al," answered HAL.

We had to sacrifice a council member. May he rest in peace.



PRESS PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE

"How may I server you?" asks Information Director Al Jordan.

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HANOVER TOWNSHIP Road improvements set

By BERNIE O'HARE Special to the Bethlehem Press

At their May 13 meeting, Hanover Township supervisors unanimously approved a \$359,000 bid award to Stroudsburg paving company Hanson Aggregates. Work will start in the end of May, and should be completed within one to two weeks.

According to Public Works Director Vince Milite, the roads being repaved this year are Claire **Outside** auditor Todd Street, Greenleaf Drive, Greenfield Road, Brentwood Avenue, Hemlock Place, Yorkshire Road, hensively maintained Kenwick Circle, Kevin records." Drive and Timothy Drive. down, and then new macadam will be spread.

Supervisors received a "clean, unmod- of last year. He found no



BERNIE O'HARE

Bushta commends the township for "compre-

Each road will be milled ified opinion" from outside auditor Todd Bushta, who reviewed the townalso ship's finances at the end

and complimented Town-Manager Jay Finningan and Treasurer Ryan Kish for "comprehensively maintained records."

But unfortunately, not everything is clean. Milite and Finnigan described an encounter with a strange white substance -"really nasty stuff" – that jammed a pump and grinder Hanoverville Road pump station. "Thank God we had a spare," said Milite, who later confirmed there was also an unpleasant odor. "I don't know what it is," said Milite, who said the material goes into a 20 foot well that is 10 feet round.

Hanover Township has

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"This experience has shown me that it all comes down to your determination and how bad you want it. If you give it your all and you're talented enough. you can do it. Now I know I have to work a little bit harder to be on top."

FREDDIE SIMMONS HAWK HURDLER WHO WAS 2ND AT STATES

V BRIEFLY

VIA GOLF

The Via Golf Classic will take place June 16, at the Northampton County Club in Bethlehem, and benefit Via.

The Classic supports Via's services for children and adults with disabilities like autism, Cerebral palsy and Down syndrome. Via provides leadership, support, opportunities and resources for people with disabilities.

Sponsorship Opportunities are also available. Please contact Ana Colucci for more information: 610-317-8000 x459 or A.Colucci@ViaNet.or

COED HOOPS CAMP

Former ND girl's basketball coach and LV Basketball Hall of Famer, Traci Cyr will hold one week, coed hoop camp at the Hanover Township Community Center at 3660 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem.

The camp, for boys and girls ages 7-15, will run July 14-17, 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. daily. Cost of the camp is \$125 with team discounts.

For information, contact the Hanover Township Community Center at 610-317-8701 or email Traci at cjcyr@ptd.net.

GOLF HOLY FAMILY

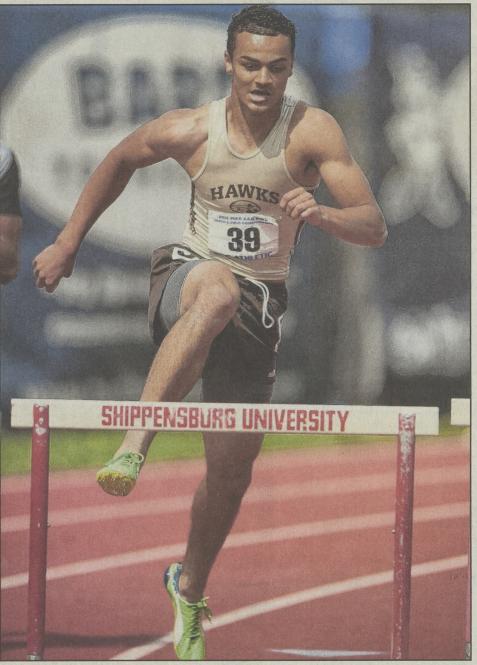
The 10th Annual Holy Family Manor Open Golf Tournament will be held Sunday, Aug. 17, the Bethlehem Golf Club.

The event will include a hot dog lunch, round of golf, prizes, refreshments, a dinner, a raffle and lots of camaraderie, all to benefit programs and services for residents of Holy Family Manor Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. Sponsors, golfers and raffle prizes are needed. Tournament registration opens at 11:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Cost is \$100.

For more info or register, please contact Ann Ruggiero at 610-997-8409, or aruggiero@cshhcs.org

PIAA TRACK AND FIELD

Simmons claims silver



PRESS PHOTO BY BOB FORD

Freddie Simmons took silver in the 300 hurdles at states last weekend.

Already aiming for gold next season

By PATRICK MATSINKO pmatsinko@tnonline.com

Before Saturday's final in the Class AAA 300meter hurdle race at the PIAA Track and Field Championships, Bethlehem Catholic's Freddie Simmons had a simple objective - medal.

What the Golden Hawks' junior got was that, and much more.

Simmons used a strong start to claim an impressive second place finish, a result he was admittedly thrilled with afterward.

"My mentality was just to go all out and see what I could do," Simmons said. "I knew that I didn't run my best time yesterday (in the semifinals)...and I just kind of had an underdog mentality.'

That mindset helped Simmons finish in 37.82, a personal best and school record. Simmons also just missed making the eightman final in the 110 high hurdles, with his time of 14.60 falling just outside the last qualifying spot.

The disappointment of missing out on a chance at another medal was something Simmons acknowledged gave him a slight edge heading into his race on Saturday.

"Coming into today and

coming into states, I knew that the 300's was my race," he said. "I had a little extra motivation because I didn't medal there, so I just kind of wanted to shock everybody and show what I could do in this race.'

What Simmons wants now is to take the next step on the podium that sits in the center of Shippensburg's Seth Grove Stadium, something he

hopes to do next year.
"Getting silver this vear means I have to work that little bit extra to get gold next year," Simmons said. "It definitely gives me motivation for next

"This experience has shown me that it all comes down to your determination and how bad you want it. If you give it your all and you're talented enough, you can do it. Now I know I have to work a little bit harder to be on

Results for Liberty athletes: Darius Jones fouled in his three attempts in the long jump, but finished 12th in the 3A triple jump at 45-2.5; Denzel Vereen finished 24th in the shot put (41-5.25); Jaylyne Aminu ran a 12.39

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BASEBALL

Area teams fall in districts

By PETER CAR pcar@tnonline.com

All three of Bethlehem's teams went down swinging last week in the District 11 playoffs, as Freedom, Liberty and Bethlehem Catholic were eliminated from the postseason.

Parkland proved to be the nemesis for both the Patriots and Hurricanes, as the Trojans advanced to tonight's District 11 4A baseball championship against Stroudsburg following Saturday's 2-1 victory over Liberty in the semifinals.

The Hurricanes (15-8) hopes of making tonight's 6:30pm title game at Coca-Cola Park came to an end when Parkland's Chris Rabasco brought home the game-winning RBI in the fifth inning to lead Parkland (19-5) to victo-

Parkland pulled the Bethlehem double in their quarterfinal matchup, beating the Patriots 10-2 behind a 12 strikeout performance by Trojan pitcher Gabe Mosser.

The defeat ended Freedom's season at 14-8.

Bethlehem Catholic had the best shot of reaching the district finals, but the Golden Hawks fell victim to Tamaqua 7-3 during last week's semifinals.

Becahi (11-11) built a 3-0 lead through three innings until Tamaqua pulled starting pitcher Ian Nicholls and inserted Boaz Rottet to cool down a hot start by the

Becahi belted Nicholls for eight hits in 2 1/3 innings of work, but could only get three hits off Rottet, as the Blue Raiders continued the chip away at the lead, grabbing a 4-3 By TODD KRESS lead in the fourth inning apart of a three-run frame.

early and really could ponement and 10 innings have taken advantage of things a little bit more," said Becahi head coach Mike Grasso. "It's been a great year and I'm very proud of our seniors, it's just tough to end the season before you would



PRESS PHOTO BY SCOTT PAGEL

Emily Cecchini takes a late throw at third base during Friday's action against Northampton. The girls would eventually fall on Saturday, 8-7.

DISTRICT 11 SOFTBALL LHS girls lose to Kids

Special to the Press

It may have taken a "We had our chances rain delay, a daylong postof play, but a winner would be crowned of last week's District 11 Class 4A softball game between Liberty and Northamp-

> Lightning was spotted and a steady rain started to fall during the sixth inning of Friday's contest, and after close to an hour delay, the two teams picked up the game in the bottom of the sixth in a 5-5 tie. The Konkrete Kids would go on to score two in the top of the seventh, and the game was ultimately pushed to Saturday afternoon when rain started again in the bottom of the frame.

Liberty was able to quickly erase their two run deficit heading into Saturday, tying it 7-7. But the No. 5 seeded Konkrete Kids (17-6) were able to take advantage of the international rule that began in the 10th (beginning innings with a runner on second base) to defeat the No. 5 seeded

Hurricanes (18-6), 8-7, at game.

Moravian College. big part I think in a few of Rich Giering said. "We keep going. If you let it told them we got to come get it, [and] you got to you." believe in yourself. And they did. We came out a the Hurricanes were in jumped on them. We just control and held a 5-2 lead

fell that one run short." Saturday, the Hurricanes Reyna DeJesus walked for the third time to begin the seventh and Ashley Malek's double put them no outs. Mariah Kondravy fice flies to tie it back up.

With a runner stascore on a groundout to came around to score. make it 8-7 for the Konkrete Kids. The Hurricanes had the same opportunity in the bottom of During the next at-bat, the 10th, but failed to bring a run home.

first inning - were held to second baseman brought just five the rest of the

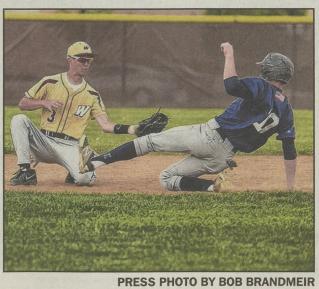
ravian College. "You got to maintain The weather played a intensity," Giering said. "When you jump on a those runs," head coach team, you want to try to go, sometimes that gets

Before any stops in play, through five innings. But When play resumed on an infield error for the Hurricanes in the sixth, had the top of their order their second of three in up facing a two-run deficit. the game, gave the Konkrete Kids some motivation as the skies dark-

Two Konkrete Kid in scoring position with walks in their first three plate appearances put runand Emily Cecchini then ners on first and second had back-to-back sacri- with one out. After a pop up to shortstop, Northampton's Kendel tioned at second base to Reed reached first base begin the 10th, Brianna on a Hurricane throwing Dalton came around to miscue and Ali Reppert

Instead of that allimportant third out, the inning was kept alive. Taylor Kerbacher made the Hurricanes pay even The Hurricanes - after more. In a 2-2 count, her getting three hits in the blooper in front of the

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Tom Epsaro is tagged out sliding into second during Liberty's victory over Whitehall.

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home two more runs to tie the game at five.

dinks that went in the

right spot," Giering said."

DeJesus, Malek and Kondravy all reached base

in the bottom of the first and would come around to score to give the Hurricanes a quick 3-0 lead. The

Konkrete Kids got two back in the third, but

Malek and Kondravy - who were a combined 5-for-8 with five RBIs - knocked in

The Hurricanes will

graduate eight seniors

from this team, and while

those upperclassmen had

as much of an impact on this team's success as anyone, Giering doesn't expect much of a drop-off.

"We won't have the big,

big home run hitters, but we'll be there," Giering

said. "The goal was to keep

this program on the up,

and we've done that. Hope-

fully we can continue

runs in the fifth.

"They hit a couple little

Track

Continued from page A7 in the 3A 100 to advance to the finals, where she finished 7th (12.31); Casey Harewood cleared 5-2 to take 12th in the high jump; Rachel Finn finished tied

Results dehem Catholic athletes: Donovan West failed to advance to the finals in the 3A 200 (22.91); the Golden Hawk team finished 6th in its preliminary heat and did

not advance to Saturday's finals; Kaylin West (14-10.25) placed 16th in the Class AA long jump. Results for Freedom athletes: Shaina Palmer finished 21st in the Class boys' 1600-meter relay AAA 3200-meter run (11:29.87).



PRESS PHOTOS BY BOB FORD

Liberty's Casey Harewood was 12th in the high





Freedom's Shaina Palmer was 21st in the 3200.



Liberty's Jaylyne Aminu ended up seventh in the 100.



doing that."

Freedom Last Tuesday, Freedom used a big third inning to get by Pottsville in the opening round of districts, 9-2. But in round two against Pleasant Valley, which eventually took place Saturday, it was a big sixth that made the difference in a Bears win.

The Pates led 4-1 heading into the bottom of the inning before Madison Shaneberger hit a grand slam to put PV up for good 5-4. Pitcher Tracey Deubler held Freedom scoreless in the top of the seventh.

For Freedom, Carly Deichman and Kelsey Brandle each had a single and a double. Deichman drove in two runs as did Lauren Guidetti.

FHS pitcher Shayla Peterson gave up just three earned runs while fanning four and allowing a walk. **Bethlehem Catholic**

The Hawks take on Palmerton to open district play. The game took place Tuesday afternoon, after Press deadlines.



LINDA ROTHROCK Dana Pollock slides home safely during Freedom's 9-2 win over Pottsville.

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The Grand Slam Baseball Combine, presented by St. Luke's Sports Performance, Chandler Baseball and the Lehigh Valley IronPigs, is a high-value exposure opportunity for high school baseball players who have the desire and ability to play college baseball. This exciting event is open to players ages 13 to 18.

Held at the Lehigh Valley IronPigs' Coca-Cola Park, this event will allow each player to individually showcase his talents.

Individual skill testing results will be made available to all participants.

The cost of the Combine is \$70 for each player.







BRIEFLY

EAST HILL ES Basket, handbag bingo May 30

East Hills MS Band and Orchestra's booster organization is sponsoring a basket and handbag bingo May 30 at the

Doors open at 6 p.m. For more information call 610-867-0541 ext. 44137 or email ehboabingo @gmail.com.

HELLER Barn photo event planned May 31

The third annual barn photo workshop will be held from 9 a.m. to noon (rain or shine) May 31 at the Heller Homestead, 1890-92 Friedensville Road (Water Street, Hellertown).

Award winning local photographer Frank T. Smith will share his Coracao (Portugal in my heart) during the recent work as well as evening's entertainment of traditional Portuguese ideas for photographing barns and other historical structures. There is a fee. For information or to register by May 29, call 610-216-0566 or visit SVConservancy@aol.com.

HIGHMARK Healthy Walk to be held May 31

Highmark's Walk for a Healthy Community to support participating local nonprofits will be held May 31 on the Steel Stacks campus. Both a 5K (3.1 mile) route and a one-mile fun walk are available, and pets on leashes are welcome. There will be refreshments, entertainment and prize drawings.Register at www. walkforahealthycommunity.org.

STEEPLES/STEEL Minibus tours set for June, July, Aug.

"Steeples and Steel" minibus tours of the Beth-lehem Steel plant site and churches of South Bethlehem will be held at 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. June 28, July 26, Aug. 23, and Sept. 20, departing from St. John's Windish Lutheran Church, 617 E. Fourth St. Reservations are required.

The tours are presented by the Steelworkers' Archives, Inc. and the South Bethlehem Historical Society in partnership with Lehigh University South Side Initiative. Funding support is from Northampton County Department of Community & Economic Development Hotel Tax Grant Program.

KIDS PEACE Food, wine benefit June 11

The KidsPeace Lehigh Valley Board of Associates will hold an evening of food and wine pairings and live jazz music from 5 to 8 p.m. June 11 at Corked Wine Bar and Steak House, 515 Main St.

Proceeds benefit the KidsPeace Children's Fund for areas of greatest need within the children and teenagers programs.

For tickets, sponsorships opportunites and information, call 610-799-8236 or email patrick.slattery@kidspeace.org.

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PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

The South Bethle-

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American Club host-

event in early March

with more than 150

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Coracao (Portugal in

my heart) and DJ

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lowed by an array of

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music and dance, which is performed in native Portuguese dress.

Portugal in my heart



Musicians lead the dancers of Portugal No

Coracao (Portugal in my heart) during the

More than 150 attended to support the two organizations, enjoy authentic Portuguese cuisine, and watch ethnic dancers and musicians Portugal No Coracao perform.



The Dancers of Portugal No Coracao perform for the audience.



Prior to dinner, attendees enjoy Portuguese cocktails, including codfish cakes, shrimp and meat pockets, broiled sausage and shrimp in garlic sauce.



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BRIEFLY

LVC Open house to be held June 2

The Lehigh Valley Sweet Adelines Chorus will hold an open house at 7 p.m. June 2 at Sts. Simon and Jude R.C. Church social hall, 730 W. Broad St. Female singers of all levels are invited to meet the group and learn about participating with the LVC in the Sounds of Summer Concert July 16 at West Park, Allentown. The LVC is an a cap-

pella female barbershop chorus for women of all ages. Email sing@lehighvalleychorus.com, call 610-395-2997 or visit Lehigh Valley Chorus Sweet Adelines on Facebook for information.

STEEL BAPL June 5 steelworkers talk

Former Bethlehem Steel workers Lester Clore and Richie Check will speak about their experiences from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. June 5 at the Bethlehem Area Public Library's South Side Branch, 400 Webster St.

Clore was a rigger for 33 years and is now a volunteer with the Steelworkers' Archives Speakers Bureau. Check, also a rigger for most of his 43 years, worked with 11 of his relatives at "The Steel". Check is a founding member of the Steelworkers' Archives Speakers Bureau. The program is free and open to the public, but registration is required. Visit www.bapl.org or call 610-867-7852.

STEPHEN'S PLACE Benefit dinner set for June 7

There will be an open house from 5 to 6 p.m. at 729 Ridge St. and a benefit dinner for Stephen's Place Inc. from 6 to 9 p.m. June 7 at Se-wy-co banquet hall, 3621 Old Philadelphia rice) and rojoes com Pike, Lower Suacon Town-

The honorary chairperson is Sister Virginia Longcope. The banquet keynote speaker is The Rev. Daniel G. Gambet, OSFS, Ph.D, president emiritus of DeSales University. There will be a Chinese auction and a cash bar. For information, call 610-861-7677 or visit www.stephens-place.org.



TIMES NEWS and THE PRESS



Valley trolley service



Karen M. Samuels Columnist

he Lehigh Valley Transit Company began in 1868 with horse drawn cars that ferried people back and forth between Allentown's Black Bear Hotel, at Ninth and Hamilton streets and the Lehigh Valley Railroad Depot at Third and Hamilton streets. Within a few years, several small trolley companies appeared in the Lehigh Valley, establishing short routes to fulfill the transportation needs in the more populated areas.

In 1891, the Allentown-Bethlehem Rapid Transit Company switched from horse power to electric. On Aug. 2, 1891, that company

finally brought the first trolley service to Bethlehem, with a stop at Broad and New streets. It cost riders five cents each way to travel to and from Rittersville.

In 1893 street railway entrepreneur Albert L. Johnson had a great vision to connect the various lines to provide transportation to New York City. Before Johnson died in 1901, he had connected more than 60 villages and towns in the Lehigh Valley. He did not accomplish his dream, however, of reaching New York City.

Johnson was six feet tall with a powerful physique, so it was a great surprise to family and friends when Johnson died of a heart attack. The new owners of L. V. T. established the Liberty Bell Line in 1912 between Allentown and Philadelphia. Trolley service in the Lehigh Valley was essential to the public as a low cost and efficient way to travel during the Great Depression and the gas rationing years of World War II.

After World War II, trolley ridership declined due to the popularity of automobiles. Lehigh Valley Transit Company replaced all of its trolleys with buses by 1953, with very little notice to the public. Because the trolley cars had not been well maintained for years, the popular opinion, at the time, was that this was a good move. Still, ridership decreased from an average of 50 million trips in 1950 to just 2.6 million trips by 1971.

During the 1960s, private transportation companies were failing across the United States. In 1972, after L.V. T. announced that a sharp increase in fares was on the way, the Joint Planning Commission of Lehigh and Northampton counties urged the establishment of a bicounty authority to operate bus transit. That same year, L. V. T. sold its 66 buses, garage and office to the newly formed Lehigh and Northampton Transportation Authority (LANTA), for \$60,000. Charles M. Weeks, was named the first general manager of LANTA.

Over the years, LANTA has provided additional services and routes and continues to modernize its fleet. In 1973, seniors age 65 and older rode for free and three years later people with disabilities could ride for half fare. A subdivision (Metro Plus) of buses to provide transportation for the disabled was established in 1988. Two diesel minibuses were added to the fleet in 1992 and "Zippy" the electric bus was doing the downtown Allentown run in

In 2001, LANTA offered free bus rides to keep cars off the roads on smog-alert days. In 2003, passengers could use swipe cards for fare payment. Hybrid buses were added in 2009. LANTA celebrated its 40th year anniversary in 2012. Today, of the 83 buses in LANTA's bus fleet, 24 are now diesel hybrid electric buses. Best of all, one can ride all day with a \$4 pass



LVT trolley on New Street passing Third Street.



LVT trolley on Broad Street passing New Street.

HEALTH NOTES

LVHN: LVHN, UPHS Cancer Clinical Trials

Two immunotherapy drugs for skin cancer, the most common of all cancers, have been the subject of a recent clinical trial. Nivolumab and Ipilimumab, made by Bristol Myers Squibb, showed promise to fight melanoma when administered individually. The trial, to discover if there might be some clinical benefit if given sequentially, is being run by locally the University of Pennsylvania Health System and Lehigh Valley Health Network.

Suresh Nair, M.D., has been working with cancer patients and clinical trials for the last 24 years and is the senior medical director of academic oncology programs at LVHN. For him, getting clinical trials like this one at a community hospital is the culmination of a lifetime of work.

He said that the secret to getting high-level, highly sought after clinical trials lies in the strength of the team and the willingness of LVHN to put the necessary resources and time into creating a great cancer program.

SLUHN: Veny to speak May 29

Mike Veny, a speaker and professional drummer, will speak on the stigma of mental illness from 7 to 8:30 p.m. May 29 at St. Luke's Doctor's Pavilion St. Luke's University Hospital-Bethlehem, 701 Ostrum St. He will shares his own experiences struggling with mental illness and offer special insight into transforming his personal challenges into strengths. RSVP to 484-526-4104 by May 28.

ED'S WORLD





A Marine Corps Color Guard carries the American Flag and the Marine Corps Flag.

'A group of patriots'

Marines host annual First Defenders gathering

By DOUGLAS GRAVES

Special to the Bethlehem Press

ne Hotel Bethlehem hosted a military reception recently for members of the Honorary First Defenders and their guest of honor, U. S. Marine Sgt. Maj. Anthony A. Spadaro, who traveled from his pos in New Orleans to speak to the group.

In the Tap Room of the Hotel Bethlehem, surrounded by photographs of other famous guests, such as Winston Churchill, Spadaro met some of the local military men and women who had invited him to speak later that evening at their "dining in," or military banquet, at the Econo Lodge Conference Center in Allentown.

Spadaro, a combat veteran, is the sergeant major of the Marine Forces Reserve and Marine Forces North. He is a recipient of the Bronze Star Medal and of the Legion of Merit among other awards.

Master Gunnery Sgt. Carl J. Schroeder and his wife, Master Sgt. Roslynn Schroeder, were Spadaro's hosts for the cocktail hour at the historic hotel in Bethlehem.

Also attending were Capt. Jeremiah Davis, 1st Sgt. Richard D. Ayala and Sgt. Craig A. Green. These Marines are on the



PRESS PHOTOS BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

"The Marine Corps is a total force," says Sgt. Maj. Anthony Spadaro, addressing the Honorary First Defenders, whom he called his brothers and sisters in arms.



Air Force Col. Willard "Bill" Delliker of New Tripoli and Maj. Nate Kline of Allentown sing the Air Force hymn, "The U.S. Air Force." They were competing with the other services represented at the gala event. They are both members of the Honorary First Defenders.

Inspector-Instructor staff supporting the Marine Corps Reserve's artillery battery headquartered on Postal Road.

Army Reserve Ambassador George H. Duell Jr. of Palmerton also attended, representing the Office of the Chief, Army Reserves. Duell, as an ambassador, wears the two stars of a major gen-

Members of the Bethlehem Detachment 284 of the Marine Corps League also came to honor Spadaro. Detachment Commandant Earl "Jack" Ohmacht of Bethlehem attended, as did North Catasauqua residents Lester Perilli and his wife

U.S. Air Force Maj. Nate Kline, an Allentown resident and highly decorated World War II aviator. also attended the recep-

The Schroeders, who live in Coopersburg, are members of the Honorary First Defenders (HFD), a military society dedicated to supporting military reserve units in the area, to include the Army National Guard, Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Marine Reserve and Coast Guard.

They are both past commanders of the HFD. After drinks, the group

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Master Sgt. Carl Schroeder, Sgt. Maj. Anthony Spadaro, and Ambassador George Duell Jr. at the Hotel Bethlehem for pre-dinner cocktails.



1st Sgt. Dorothea Lucas, 1st Sgt. Anthony Nichol Jr., and Sherwood Shaplin Jr. of Saylorsburg are inducted into the Honorary First Defenders by Commander Master Sgt. Lucille M. Gross.

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MAY

Year winding down

The 2013-2014 school year is coming to an end.

For senior class members, this was their last week of school. For their last few weeks, they have been hard at work



Aubrey Miller LV Academy

taking IB exams and finals. All of their end-of the-year requirements were due and completed so that they are finished with high school.

This year's senior class is made up of 32 students. Seniors are all very close and often describe their relationship with each other as "one big family." Megan Keefer says, "Looking back now, I could not have imagined getting through high school and the DP program with a different set of 32 kids ... I'm glad I get to graduate with not only my best friends, but people I can really call family.'

Even though it will be a sad time to say goodbye, they are now eager to graduate and to start the next chapter of their lives. Graduation will take place June 5 at the Zoellner Arts Center at Lehigh University.

Juniors are also hard at work finishing end of the year projects. They have several Internal Assessment rough drafts that are due which, once completed, will go toward their IB diploma for senior year. Sophomores recently

returned from their trip to Boston. Every year the 10th grade takes a trip to Boston, where students visit different areas that correspond to their curriculum from the year. This year's trip took place May 14, 15 and 16. All of the students came back and spoke of the great trip they had and what fun it was.

Also, moving up to their junior year in the diploma program, the sophomores are to choose which level courses they will be taking for their 11th and 12th grade years, higher level or standard level. They were informed by teachers and students in the DP program about each subject and what each level consisted of as far as the work involved. Most of the students have chosen which level they want to take for each course and these decisions will be finalized by the end of the school

Freshmen are also busy with end of the year projects as well as studying for upcoming finals. All finals for each grade in the high school will take place June 9 to 12. The last day of school for LVA is June 13. On that day, students will be participating in fun and games for their field day.

With only a few weeks left, all of the students are still working hard, learning, finishing up projects and studying for finals, as well as saying goodbye to a wonderful year that LVA has given them!



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Large posters greet students going to the cafeteria and were hung throughout the school.

Smaller notes of encouragement were affixed to individual lockers.

East Hills students promote kindness



Student government representatives work on posters for the Campaign for Kindness. Taking part are (front) Elena Spengler, Carlah Baran, Ryan Smizaski, Jackie Armao, Alyssa Greenhoward, Lauralie Savitski, Sarah Loh and Alfredo Suarez. In the rear are Mickey Armao, Cross Alberti, JD Dowling and Carlo Brienza. Student government representatives worked on the poster messages over two days before and after normal school hours, hoping to spring their Campaign for Kindness surprise on their classmates April 11.

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The student government at East Hills Middle School, under teacher adviser Carolyn Roman's guidance, promoted a Campaign for Kindness in early April, hoping to spread a positive message, bolster school spirit and encourage self esteem amongst the student body. Eighth grade student Elena Spengler, who handled public relations for the project, she said felt the posters and locker notes prepared by the student government representatives would "shock" her classmates in a good way. "It's going to be a motivational speech to them and it's going to be an empowering event without our usual assembly," said Spengler.

DEAN'S LISTS

Clemson University

Brian A. Peterson of Bethlehem, a pre-business undeclared major, was named to the president's list at Clemson University for the spring 2014 semester. To be named to the president's list, a student must achieve a 4.0 (all As) grade-point average.

York College

Six Bethlehem residents were named to the spring 2014 dean's list at York College of Pennsylvania. To be eligible for this honor, a student must be registered for at least 12 academic credit hours and earn a semester GPA of 3.50 or higher. The students, class level and their majors are Amanda Carman, junior, mass communications; Craig Eppler, senior, finance; Kyle Hanchick, freshman, finance; Samantha Nicodemo, senior, professional writing; Joelle Stasak, senior, psychology; and Abagail Stives, junior, nursing.

Submit items to gtaylor@tnonline.com, fax 610-625-2126 or mail it to College graduates, c/o Bethlehem Press, 308 E. Third St., Bethlehem, PA

Co-op program participants recognized

The following students and employers were 12], Bitronics recently recognized for cooperative education program. Cooperative education, commonly referred to as co-op, allows the students to hone their skills in the workforce under the supervision of a mentor. The school is appreciative of the companies who provided support to students.

AUTOMOTIVE COL- [SVHS-12], Hannabery

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Luke Ameer-Beg [LHS-12], Jack Williams Tire; Willian Apolinario

[SVHS-12], Pep Boys; Chris Apostolopoulos [LHS-12], WEL Companies Inc.

Tyler Carl [NAHS-12], STS Tire & Auto Centers; Katie Kudera [SVHS-11], Specialty Cars Service Center Inc.;

Manny Melo [SVHS-12], Plasterer Equipment

Kyle Skinner [LHS-12], National Tire & Battery; Brandon Snyder [NAHS-11], L&MD Service; and

Kyle Welz [SVHS-12], Bethlehem Ford **BUILDING TRADES**

Jake Yarnall [LHS-12], Chiles & Sillivan, Inc. **CULINARY ARTS** Marcus Giovinco [FHS-

Tech School; Benjamin Knauss [SVHS-12], Marblehead Chowder House; and

Hakeem Lee [LHS-12], Moravian Village ELECTRICAL CON-

STRUCTION Sammi Fisher [SVHS-12], BEI Electric; and Jacob Kolvites [SVHS-12], Albarell Electric, Inc.

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Kody Britton [NAHS-12], Faust Plumbing & 12], Slatington Fabricators Inc.;

Andrew Capozzoli [NAHS-11], ABE Heating Shawn Campbell [NAHS-11], Structural

Metal Fabricators Justin Krcelich [FRHS-Tyler Hart [SVHS-12], 12], Deiter Brothers Heat-

Allentech; Seth Kemmerer [SVHS-11], Allentech;

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turing Co.; Daniel Ryszewski

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COLLEGE NOTES

Northampton Community College DeHart Joins NCC staff

Catherine M. DeHart has joined Northampton Community College as a planned and major gifts officer. She will work with other advancement officers and volunteers to raise funds to support Northampton's mission of providing excellent, accessible and comprehensive learning experiences in partnership with the communities the college serves.

She was formerly at Widener University, Chester, where she first served as associate director of development and gift planning and then created and managed a planned giving office that contributed to the success of "Taking the Lead," the largest fundraising campaign in Widener's history.

She is in the process of completing her doctorate in higher education leadership at Widener University. She earned a master's degree in public administration at Widener and a bachelor of arts in English and communications at Cabrini College. She is active in the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education and served on the boards of the Partnership for Philanthropic Planning and the Delaware County Estate Planning Council.

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 more information, contact NCC at 610-861-5300 or 1-877-543-0998 or visit www.northampton.edu.

Moravian College Dog-friendly policy adopted

Moravian College announced a new dog-friendly policy that allows dogs on campus under certain conditions. "Since Moravian College is home of the Greyhounds, where students are proud to be called 'Hounds,' it seems even more appropriate that we allow faculty and staff to bring their dogs to campus," said President Bryon Grigsby. He noted that research studies have demonstrated the physical, emotional, and social benefits of canine companionship.

Faculty and staff dogs, which must be spaved/neutered. clean, well behaved, non-aggresive, housebroken and up to date with vaccinations and flea treatments, must be registered with campus safety. Supervisors are required to notify employees in an office area if a dog will be present. For information, call or visit the college website.

Moravian College is located at 1200 Main St. For more information, call 610-861-1300 or visit www.moravian.edu.



YOUR LOCAL WEATHER Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday Monday Tuesday Forecast Few Partly Isolated Partly Partly Partly Mostly Dav Showers Cloudy T-storms Cloudy Cloudy Cloudy Sunny 68 / 52 70 / 53 80 / 59 74 / 53 76 / 54 81/59 78 / 54 Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 30% chance of FORECAST FOR showers, high temperature of 68°, humidity of 73%. The record LEHIGH high temperature for today is 92° set in 1934. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 52°. The record VALLEY

low for tonight is 32° set in 2002. Thursday, skies will be partly PENNSYLVANIA cloudy with a high temperature of 70°, humidity of 52%. Skies will be mostly cloudy Thursday night with an overnight low of 53°. Expect partly cloudy

skies Friday with a 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 74°. Skies will remain partly cloudy Saturday with a high temperature of 76°. Partly cloudy skies will continue Sunday with a high temperature of 80°.

Weather Trivia

Which U.S. city has the most sunshine?

Answer: Yuma, Ariz. is sunny 90 percent of the year.



COLLEGE GRADUATES

Alvernia University

Bethlehem residents Nicholas Michael Potkovac earned a bachelor of arts degree in criminal justice from School of Professional Studies and Heather Lynn Lawrence earned a master of science in occupational therapy degree from School of Graduate and Adult Education, Alvernia University. Both studied at the main campus and graduated May 10.

Clemson University

Caitlin Nicole Smichowski of Bethlehem graduated May 9 from Clemson University, S.C. She earned a bachelor of arts in communication studies degree.

Juniata College

Elena Michelle Ostock of Bethlehem recently earned a bachelor of arts degree in history/art and museum studies. She interned at MassMOCA art museum and studied abroad in Lille, France.

Lebanon Valley

Lebanon Valley College's 145th Commencement was held May 10 in the college gymnasium. Graduated local residents and their degrees included, from Fountain Hill: Haley Hercik, bachelor of science in psychology; from Bethlehem: Joseph Giangiobbe, bachelor of science in business administration; Nicole Dennis, bachelor of science and doctor of physical therapy in health science and physical therapy; Anthony Lucrezi, bachelor of music in music recording technology and music; Erin Free, bachelor of science in digital communications; Jennifer Sarro, master of music education in music education; and Lindsey Walmer, master of music education in music education.

Millersville University

Six Bethlehem area residents graduated from Millersville University of Pennsylvania May 10 at Biemesderfer Stadium at Chryst Field. The graduates are Amy E. Fraley, Anthony J. Saraceno, Ulivia M. Synoracki and Christopher W. Hubbard. all bachelor of science degrees; Alison E. Roy and Jonathoan Horwath, bachelor of arts degrees.

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Moravian College

Moravian College held commencement exercises May 10. College President Bryon L. Grigsby '90 conferred degrees to several local residents. The bachelor of arts degree Bethlehem residents are Siloe Arevalo Sepulveda; Craig Michael Arner, cum laude; Ericka Michelle Blair; Kelly Marie Brown; Shane R. Burcaw, summa cum laude, Timothy M. Breidegam Memorial Student Service Award; Stephanie L. Christ, cum laude; Joseph F. Connell; Cody S. Florindi, summa cum laude, Irving S. Amrhein Prize in German; Melissa Anne Follett; Patrick H. Foose; Sevde F. Guzel; Laura Elisabeth Hudson; Jennifer Jimenez; Kristopher F. Joint; Kasie L. Krasnai, cum laude, Daniel W. Tereshko memorial prize in Studio Art; Taylor N. Mihalik, cum laude, Association of Certified Fraud Examiners Award; Alyssa M. Missmer; Deja N. Moyer; Ashley K. Newhart; Jose A. Ortiz; Melissa Palomo; Gina M. Perin, cum laude; Cassandra L. Reed; Anne-Marie Rittoper; Anna A. Scheller; Caitlin T. Schultheis; Lauren M. Seier; Connor S. Stone, magna cum laude, Environmental Policy and Economics Prize, Douglas R. Anderson Prize in Philosophy; Katelynn N. Strohl; Marissa Strunk; Reema Tajdar; Alexis Rae Van Billiard; Tara A. Williams; Danielle F. Zimmerman, summa cum laude, Edwin L. Stockton Prize in Economics and Business; from Freemansburg, Renee Michelle D'Almeida; and from Hellertown, Amanda

Bethlehem residents who earned bachelor of music degrees were Alicia Marie Roeder, summa cum laude; and Matthew R. Truscott; and bachelor of science degrees Shauna A. Abdouche, summa cum laude, honors in biology, Alumni Prize for Outstanding Achievement in Natural Sciences, Biological Sciences Prize; Idalina Ackerman; Myles Vincent Barros, summa cum laude, E. C. Schultz History Prize; Jonathan T. Berback; Nicole Julia Bowlby; Stephanie L. Christ, cum laude, honors in biology; Robert T. Cressman; Nicholas Farhad Forouraghi; Lindsay M. McGovern; Thomas Saxton Motko; Ryan D. Mulligan; Mary Petrik, summa cum laude, honors in neuroscience, Neuroscience Award; Desiree E. Rivera; Daniel G. Starr; Rebecca Shun-Nin Stenger; Rachel E. Tallarico, cum laude; Kimberly Ann Van-Buskirk; Matthew J. Waltemyer; Amber L. Weaver and Danielle Renee Wolk.

Master of business administration degrees were earned by Bethlehem residents Brittany Elizabeth Bell, Thomas C. Bender, Daniel T. Bierce, Erin M. Gallagher, Robert Quinn McClarin III, James J. Ravelle and Tiffany Vrabel; and from Bethlehem Township, Shelley A. Speirs; master of education degrees: Michelle R. Carlstrom, Graduate Education Humanitas Award; Kelly Ann Liberto, William Daniel James Neal and Gina Rizzetto Perez, Master of Education Thesis Award; all of Bethlehem.

St. Mary's College of Maryland

Jamie K. Baab of Bethlehem graduted with a bacehlor of arts degree from St. Mary's College of Maryland on May 17. He had majored in biology and minored in neurosciences.

Wilkes University

Wilkes University awarded doctoral, master's and bachelor's degrees to six Bethlehem residents after the completion of the spring 2014 semester. The graduates and their degrees are James Alderiso, bachelor of arts in theatre arts, the Frank J. J. Davies award in English and philosophy and the Theatre Award; Evan Kriner, bachelor of arts in integrative media; Theresa Roman, bachelor of science in accounting; Tammy Post, master of science in education; Lindsay Wieand, master of science in education; and Brittany Ritter, doctor of pharmacy in pharmacy.

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Pastor's Comments

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Northampton Assembly of God

Missionary to America #2

Last week I wrote about the miraculous deliverance of Samuel Morris

who was born Prince Kaboo in Liberia in 1873. After his **amazing conver-**sion, he had an intense desire to know more about the Holy Spirit. The

missionary told him, "You will have to ask Stephen Merrit who taught me, but ne is in America." **He prayed about it and said that his Father told him to**

go. After walking many miles to the shore, he saw a ship, but the captain refused to let him on board. Samuel prayed for God to change his heart and

insisted that **his Father told him that the captain was to take him.** He finally employed him, but Samuel endured harsh treatment by the captain

and drunken sailors. He intervened in a fight saying, "Don't kill!" when a drunken sailor was threatening to kill another with a sword. **The sailor then**

tried to kill him, but he could not bring down the sword. God used Samuel and miracles like this to win most of the crew to the Lord includ-

Amazingly, the first man Samuel saw in New York City knew Stephen

Merritt and took him to him! Stephen was on his way to a prayer meeting and told him he would talk to him later. When he returned, he found that God

and told him he would talk to him later. When he returned, he found that God had used Samuel to win 20 men at the Rescue mission to the Lord. Stephen had never seen that happen before and was impressed by Samuel's anointing. While Stephen was showing Samuel a church with the highest steeple in New York, Samuel asked to pray. He told the Lord that Stephen seemed only to want to speak about impressive steeples and asked that the Lord would touch him in the tongue so that he would only talk about the Holy Ghost! He ended his prayer with, "This is what Sammy need so that he can learn all things and teach his people in Africa." Samuel attended Taylor University and was known to spend hours in prayer with God. He was used mightily by God to draw many people to the Lord before he died at approximately 20 years of age. See "Angel in Ebony" at http://www2.taylor.edu/media/angel.wmy

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It does have a flood plain, and it's about to get bigger. As a result of a new flood maps prepared by FEMA, the township is expected to adopt a new flood plain ordinance in June. Finnigan told supervisors they could ban construction in a flood zone, or permit it subject to FEMA standards.

Supervisors have opted to allow construction. As explained by Supervisor Glenn Walbert, "It's a whole new scenario when you start telling people they can't use their land."

In an effort to gain additional revenue, supervisors also unanimously authorized Solicitor Jim Broughal to advertise a new realty transfer tax. According to Broughal, the ordinance is not aimed now," answered Nagle.

at the typical business or residential owner, but at "sneaky lawyers" who have used a loophole in the state law under which one business could sell its stock to another without paying any transfer tax. The state has closed that loophole, but not in time to stop a \$160 million stock transfer in Hanover Township earlier this year, from which the township could have imposed a transfer tax.

Finally, Supervisor Jack Nagle said that an empty police cruiser, parked along different roads in his district, has had a positive impact on speeders.

"I'm looking for a dummy," remarked Finni-

"Hey, I'm working

Continued from page A10 reconvened at the Econo Lodge Conference Center where Spadaro was the guest of honor and keynote speaker.

Because the Marines had the honor - an honor that rotates annually among the military branches - of leading the ceremonies at the banquet, Marine Capt. Davis was president of the mess and Master Gunnery Sgt. Carl Schroeder and Sgt. Craig Green shared duties as vice president of the mess.

In an interview, Spadaro praised the "dedication, patriotism and service" of the Honorary First Defend-

"They are a group of Americans, a group of patriots - maybe not in uniform and maybe a little older and wiser - who still serve selflessly to ensure that the lives of servicemen are a little better.

"The Marine Corps is a total force," said Spadaro, addressing the Honorary First Defenders, whom he called his brothers and sisters in arms. "The active duty component and the reservists constitute one Marine Corps.

He said the active duty Marine Corps has about 192,000 and the Marines in the Reserve Component number about 39,000. Spadaro said the Individual Ready Reserve is 110,000 men and women.

"They call themselves Marines," said the sergeant major. "We serve under the same commandant, use the same equipment and have the exact same training. We have the same standards and traditions.

"They are ready to protect and defend this nation. This is what we do for you the taxpayer.'

The Marines, said Spadaro, have experience in "taking the fight directly to the enemy across the "Since 1775, they have

stood shoulder to shoulder to fight and win the nation's battles. They are disciplined, focused and He commended the

Reserve Marines for their sacrifices in the service of their country.

The Honorary First Defenders consists of 213 members, the maximum number that the military service organization keeps on its rolls.

According to Master Sgt. Roslynn Schroeder, the HFD supports the Pa. National Guard, the Army Reserve, the Navy Reserve and the Marine Corps Reserve with a donation of \$1,000 each annually.

'There are no strings attached," Schroeder said. "They can buy things not normally in the supply chain.

Its purpose is to perpetuate the memory of the Pennsylvania soldiers, many from Northampton and Lehigh counties, who answered President Abraham Lincoln's first call for soldiers to protect the nation's capital in the first perilous days of the Civil War, thus earning the name, "First Defenders."

These soldiers were the first to reach Washington on April 18, 1861. One of these men, Ignatz Gresser, is buried in the Union and West End Cemetery in Allentown. Gresser was, late in life, awarded the Medal of Honor for heroism in the Battle Antietam.

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