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## SOUTHSIDE

### Council Okays \$6M general bond

Money will fund projects such as renovations, upgrades, improvement to public safety projects

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

After Scott Shearer, of PFM Financial Advisors, briefed the Bethlehem City Council on the final details of the planned \$6 million general obligation bond and his plans to offer it up for public sale, the council approved the sale 5-0. Council members Olga Negrón and William Reynolds were absent.

The money will fund non-utility capital projects such as renovations, upgrades and improvement to public safety projects, including traffic lights, street paving, bridge repairs, storm sewer improvements and various heating and air conditioning projects.

In public comment Elizabeth Behrend, a member of the Bethlehem Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) and head of its Waste Reduction Committee, advanced a proposal to ban single-use plastic bags in Bethlehem.

"The EAC recently submitted a proposal to city council to pass an ordinance that would ban single-use plastic bags and apply a fee on all paper bags given to customers at the point of sale," said Behrend. "I would like to see city council move forward with this measure. I ask for your support for a ban on plastic bags."

"Eighty percent of business owners who responded were either in favor of eliminating plastic bags or are neutral on the subject. Bethlehem is ready for this change, and I ask that you follow the lead of Narberth, Pennsylvania, and ban these unnecessary items."

Behrend thanked Mayor Robert Donchez (who was absent, but represented by Business Manager Eric Evans) for attending the conference on sustainability and for showing a commitment to the planet.

Doug Roysdon of the Sierra Club spoke on behalf of the Sierra Club. See CITY on Page A6



Donegal Square owner Neville Gardner and Betsy Daley hold Glen of Imaal terriers, Fergus McCarthy and Daithi. Standing beside the dog owners is Beth Barry, emcee for the Celtic Doggie Parade. More photos on page A2.

PRESS PHOTOS BY CINDY O'BRIEN

## Celtic Doggie Parade

### Companions strut their stuff

BY CINDY O'BRIEN  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Wearing their finest Irish attire, 35 purebred and mixed breed dogs from around the Lehigh Valley shared in some St. Patrick's Day fun. They strutted their stuff in a friendly Celtic canine costume competition in historic North Bethlehem March 16.

Sponsored by Donegal Square Celtic gift shop, the Celtic Doggie Parade took place at Donegal Square shortly before the Bethlehem St. Patrick's Day parade. The doggie parade consisted of three costume categories: Best



Decked out for St. Patrick's Day, basset hound Watson meets Puca, a Glen of Imaal terrier, at the May 16 Celtic Doggie parade.

Dressed Pup; Best Dog of their choice. Judges for the event included Kelly Bauer, executive director of the Center for Animal Health and Welfare

in Easton, and her colleagues: Jessica Schwick-rath and Connie Harvey.

Parade emcee Beth Barry said that the owners of winning dogs were each awarded a \$25 gift certificate for the Donegal Square Celtic gift shop. Proceeds from the event's \$10 entry fee benefit the Center for Animal Health and Welfare in Easton. "The most fun part of the doggie parade was seeing the dogs and owners come out for a great cause and make new friends," said Barry, who noted that Donegal Square may sponsor a Halloween Doggie parade next fall before the Bethlehem Halloween parade.

## PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

What is your favorite way to handle robo calls??



"Give me your number, I'll call you right back."  
Dan O'Brien  
Philadelphia



"I usually just ignore them."  
Dawn Hudson  
Bethlehem Township

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## Prayers at Packer Chapel

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Students, faculty and others were drawn together in solidarity and grief Friday at the Asa Packer Memorial Church on the edge of the Lehigh University campus. They were there to express their concerns and thoughts and to show their support of the victims killed in Christchurch, New Zealand, on March 15, when 50 people were murdered and 50 wounded by a white Australian man espousing white supremacy as a reason for his massacre.

Among the students attending the prayers at Packer Memorial Church at Lehigh University was



PRESS PHOTOS BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

"It was a horrendous attack on a peaceful religion," said Terri Ball-Nicholas, left, of Bethlehem. She is with her friend, Em Finney. "I felt tremendous sadness - sorrow," said Finney, also of Bethlehem.

Hiwot Demelash, a Lehigh student from Nashville, Tenn. She said, "I was really distraught by all the other violence. I feel like we're getting too comfortable to this kind of thing. There should be more social engagement between Muslims and people who are not exposed to that religion."

Tasnim Chowdhury, a Lehigh student from New York and now hailing from Philadelphia, said, "It's my identity; I'm Muslim. For too long any and every religion has been under attack."

Lehigh University student Mohamed Raafa, formerly of Egypt but now See PRAYERS on Page A3

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"It depends what they're selling. If it's a home security salesman, I tell them I already have one and it's called Smith & Wesson."  
**Ozzie Mest**  
Stowe



"I pick up the phone and ask what company they are with. Then I inform them I'm on the do not call list since 2005 and click, they hang up."  
**Nipa Joshi**  
Macungie



"I just don't answer the call if I don't know the caller ID."  
**Bonnie Rubio**  
Northampton



"I have a 2-year-old who is learning to talk, so I give the call to him."  
**Kerry Go**  
Bethlehem

## HEALTH NEWS

### Lehigh Valley Health Network Musculoskeletal unit opens

Lehigh Valley Health Network's musculoskeletal services facility opened in suite 100, 798 Hausman Road, Allentown, Jan. 28.

Providers at this location will care for injuries or diseases affecting joints, tendons, ligaments, bones or muscles. Practices available are Orthopedics and Sports Medicine, Physiatry, Pediatric Physiatry, Pain Specialists and Rheumatology, X-ray services, and a procedures suite where patients can receive lumbar epidurals under fluoroscopy for pain management.

For information, visit [www.lvhn.org](http://www.lvhn.org).

### St. Luke's University Health Network New treatment for gastro cancer

Lutathera, an innovative radioactive therapy for gastroenteropancreatic neuroendocrine tumors, is now available at St. Luke's University Health Network.

The drug targets GEP-NETS which are found in the neuroendocrine cells of the pancreas and parts of the gastrointestinal tract, including the stomach, intestines, colon and rectum.

Lutathera, approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in January 2018, is a radiopharmaceutical from a new class of drugs called Peptide Receptor Radionuclide Therapy (PRRT), used to target and kill tumor cells. Lutathera is the first PRRT ever approved in the United States. While it is not a curative agent, Lutathera halts progression of the cancer. In fact, studies show a 79 percent lower risk of cancer spread, growth or worsening and its effects are expected to work for up to 18 months, with some cases up to four years out.

Lutathera consists of four infusions on an outpatient basis, spaced eight weeks apart, for a total of four doses. Treatment is administered through IV in a lead-lined room under the guidance of a radiologist at St. Luke's University Hospital-Bethlehem.

### Hratko joins staff

John Hratko, M.D., a board-certified obstetrician and gynecologist for 32 years, has joined St. Luke's University Health Network. His former practice is now St. Luke's OB/GYN-Nazareth, 207 N. Main St., Nazareth. His areas of interest include preventive care and nutrition.

To schedule appointments with him, or with physician assistant Brianna Smith, call St. Luke's OB/GYN-Nazareth at 484-503-8255.



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## CELTIC DOGGIE PARADE



Chris and Natasha Lynch and their two bulldogs, Rosé and Beau, won the prize for Best Dog and Owners Costumes. The Lynches and their dogs reside in Slatington.



Jerry IrohGlose of Whitehall was in Bethlehem for the St. Patrick's Day festivities.



Stani Schiavone of Bangor and Yeti, her 3-year-old Great Pyrennes, relax on Main Street after the parade.



Mike Hamscher and Elisabeth Cichonski share a quiet moment with their dog Bandit, a Native American Indian dog.



Karen Achey of Bethlehem her wild card winning 5-month-old miniature bernadoodle.



PRESS PHOTO BY MARIE BARRY

Gavin James, a ridgeless Rhodesian ridgeback, won "Best Dressed Pup" at the Celtic Doggie. Gavin's owner did not provide her full name at registration.

## Pastor's Comments

In large print at: [www.NAOG.ws/lpc](http://www.NAOG.ws/lpc)

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### Psalm 23

The first sentence of Psalm 23 introduces the Lord as David's Shepherd—The Supplier of his needs. The rest of the Psalm explains how The Lord as his Shepherd meets his needs.

**"The Lord is my Shepherd, I SHALL NOT WANT."** What is it that I SHALL NOT WANT when I take the Lord as my Shepherd? I shall not want REST—"He maketh me to lie down in green pastures." I shall not want REFRESHMENT—"He leadeth me beside the still waters." I shall not want FORGIVENESS—"He restoreth my soul." I shall not want GUIDANCE—"He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness, for His name's sake." I shall not want COMPANIONSHIP—"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me." I shall not want COMFORT—"Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." I shall not want FOOD—"Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies." I shall not want JOY—"Thou anointest my head with oil." I shall not want ANYTHING—"My cup runneth over." I shall not want ANYTHING IN THIS LIFE—"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life." I shall not want ANYTHING IN ETERNITY—"And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever." However, you cannot claim all the things mentioned in this chapter unless you can also say as David said, **"The Lord is my Shepherd."** You can make Him your Shepherd by repenting of your sin and trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation today.  
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Wednesday, March 27

Salvation Army, Bible study, age 14 and up, 11 a.m. to noon; program: One-Sentence Sermons: Louise Sanderson, 1 p.m. 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for senior activities and schedules. Also April 3.

Toddler storytime, (ages two to three and a half), 10:30 a.m.; snack box storytime, 11 a.m. Free; no registration required. Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Visit [www.bapl.org](http://www.bapl.org) or call 610-867-3761, ext. 399.

Great Decisions Foreign Policy Lecture: 'State of the State Department and Diplomacy' by Ambassador Patricia Butenis, cost, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Kirkland Village Auditorium, 1 Kirkland Circle. Call 610-867-4669, ext. 101 for parking, entry directions. Rescheduled if Bethlehem schools close.

BAPL book sale: books, movies, CDs, DVDs, comics, graphic novels, music. Noon to 8 p.m. Main branch, Bethlehem Public Library, 11 W. Church St.. Most credit/debit cards accepted; [www.bestbooksale.org](http://www.bestbooksale.org).

Thursday, March 28

Tails of Valor, Paws of Honor program, 10:45 a.m., fellowship for seniors 50 and up. Tai Chi, 9:45 a.m.; Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681.

Friday, March 29

'A Matter of Balance' class by Shelley Brosenblatt, for older adults who have concerns about falling, 10 a.m. to noon. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for details. No pre-registration.

Women's History Month - Feminist Freedom Warriors digital video archives of interviews with women activists and talk back. Open to the public. 2 to 3 p.m. 1138 Main St. Moravian College - north campus.

Moravian College Dance Company concert, with the student ensemble. Lisa Busfield, artistic director; Karen Riehl, assistant. 7:30 p.m. Foy Concert Hall, Hurd Campus, 342 Main St. Tickets: [www.etix.com/ticket/p/6108830/moravian-college-dance-company-44th-annual-dance-company-concert-bethlehem-moravian-college-music-institute-](http://www.etix.com/ticket/p/6108830/moravian-college-dance-company-44th-annual-dance-company-concert-bethlehem-moravian-college-music-institute-)

Saturday, March 30

18th annual Spring Youth Chess Tournament, for USCF rated players 18 and under as well as non-rated players 14 and under, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Northampton Community College. Fee. Call 610-861-4120; or visit [www.northampton.edu/news/ncc-events-calendar.htm#event/youth-chess-tournament-31076](http://www.northampton.edu/news/ncc-events-calendar.htm#event/youth-chess-tournament-31076).

BAPL book sale: books, movies, CDs, DVDs, comics, graphic novels, music. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Main branch, Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Most credit/debit cards accepted; [www.bestbooksale.org](http://www.bestbooksale.org).

One Determined Moth Changed His Life, and created an evolution. Cops 'n Kids, For all ages and older. 10 a.m. to noon. Free; register by calling 610-861-5526. Room 403, Fowler Family Center, N.C.C., 511 E. Third St. Visit [www.copsnkidslv.org](http://www.copsnkidslv.org).

The Magic Treehouse book series, grades one and up. 2 to 3 p.m. Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Visit [www.BAPL.org](http://www.BAPL.org).

Celtic Spirituality Night, 5 to 6 p.m. Cathedral Church of the Nativity, 321 Wyandotte St. Call 610-865-0727 or visit [www.nativitycathedral.org/worship/celtic/](http://www.nativitycathedral.org/worship/celtic/).

Holy Ghost's spaghetti dinner, 5 to 7 p.m. 417 Carlton Ave. Cost. Reservations: 610-248-5303. Tickets also available at door.

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Monday, April 1

'A Glimpse of South Africa' by Jan Macbeth, 10 a.m.; 'Montenegro' by Madeline and Bob Brown, 11 a.m. Coffee: 9:15 a.m. 'Hi Neighbors', First Presbyterian Church, 2344 Center St. Visit [fpc-bethlehem.org/2019/02/21/hi-neighbors-spring-programs/](http://fpc-bethlehem.org/2019/02/21/hi-neighbors-spring-programs/).

Tuesday, April 2

Salvation Army bridge players program, seniors 50 and up, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for information and other senior activities.

Kid's crafts, grades 3,4,5. 4:30 p.m. South Side library, 400 Webster St.) Visit [www.bapl.org/ssmain.htm](http://www.bapl.org/ssmain.htm) or call 610-867-7852.

Civil War Round Table, Eastern Pennsylvania, Lehigh Brigade: Sutler's Call 6 p.m., dinner (cost, reservations required by the previous Wednesday), 6:30 p.m. followed by program: 'Ethnics in the Confederacy' presented by Ted Alexander (cost, no reservations required), 7:30 p.m. The Center at Holiday Inn Lehigh Valley, 7736 Adrienne Drive, Breinigsville, 18031. Call 610-253-4549, email [Duffysocwk@aol.com](mailto:Duffysocwk@aol.com) or visit [www.cwrteasternpa.org](http://www.cwrteasternpa.org).

The Moravian College Rabindranath Tagore Distinguished Lecture Series, Gopalkrishna Gandhi (G.K. Gandhi), retired Indian Administrative Service officer and diplomat and grandson of Mahatma Gandhi. Free. 7 p.m. Foy Hall, 342 Main St. Visit [www.moravian.edu/news/events#/details/6499](http://www.moravian.edu/news/events#/details/6499).

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MEETING BOARD

Wednesday, March 27

BASD budget workshop, 6 p.m. Education Center, Edgeboro room.

Bethlehem Parking Authority, 4:30 p.m. 85 W. North St.

Bethlehem Zoning Board, 7 p.m. city hall, 10 E. Church St.

Bethlehem Township Zoning Board, 6:30 p.m. Municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.

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

Thursday, March 28

Hanover Township (NorCo) Zoning Hearing Board (as warranted), 7 p.m. 3630 Jacksonville Road.

Monday, April 1

Bethlehem Township Commissioners, 7 p.m. Municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.

Fine Arts Commission, 5:15 p.m. Laros Room, Bethlehem Area Public Library, 10 W. Church St.

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Dr. Walead Mosaad, Lehigh director of Muslim Student Life, said, "What can we do? I love everyone in this room. You honor us with your presence. What can we do? I can't change society all at once, but I can certainly change myself."



Rev. Dr. Lloyd Steffen said, "We are not powerless. There are things we can do. We should consider the obligation we have to each other because of our common humanity."

PRAYERS

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living in Bethlehem, said, "It's so sad. The media presents a negative image of Muslims in the U. S. and all over the world. There is a small percentage of Muslims who are terrorists, but it is not representative of all Muslims."

"I felt tremendous sadness - sorrow," said Em Finney of Bethlehem. She was sitting with a friend in a pew at the front of the cathedral-like chapel.

"It was a horrendous attack on a peaceful religion," said Finney's friend Terri Ball-Nicholas, also of Bethlehem and an employee of Lehigh University. She said the Muslim religion is misunderstood by the majority of the public. She said comments made by public officials, including the president and his supporters, add to the problem.

Dr. Yasir Abunamous, a physician from Alburtis, attended.

"The news we got last Friday was devastating and deeply personal," Abunamous said. "When our community gathers together during events like this one, it provides solace during our times of grief, and helps foster solidarity. Out of the darkness, we begin to see rays of light and hope."

Some of the university's clerics were there to lead the assembly. The Rev. Dr. Lloyd Steffen opened the ceremonies. He is with the Office of University Chaplain and a professor of religious studies.

"The Lehigh community comes together today to share in the grief that has visited our brother and sisters in New Zealand," said Lloyd, "even as that country today pauses to honor the dead. Women all around the country - including the prime minister - have donned head scarves to show support the Muslim women."

"The outpouring of support for the people of New Zealand express the clear desire to shun vio-



Tasnim Chowdhury, right, a Lehigh student from New York and now hailing from Philadelphia said, "It's my identity; I'm Muslim. For too long any and every religion has been under attack. Her friend, Hiwot Demelash, left, joined her."



Rabbi Steve Nathan, director of Jewish Student Life and Associate Chaplain at Lehigh, continued the theme of a common humanity.

lence, to condemn hate speech, and to call for the building of a more peaceful and less violent world."

"We sometimes feel powerless in the face of such acts, but we are not powerless. We should consider the obligation we have to each other because of our common humanity."

"God's work must be our own work," he said, paraphrasing President John F. Kennedy's "... here on earth God's work must truly be our own."

Rabbi Steve Nathan, director of Jewish Student Life and associate chaplain at Lehigh, con-

tinued the theme of a common humanity.

"Each and every human is created in the image of God," Nathan said. "Human beings are made from the same mold, but each is unique. Our diversity makes us beautiful. There is so much work to be done."

"There is a great deal of work to be done," said Nathan. "And it is easy to feel hopeless. However, we must remember the words of the ancient rabbis in Perkel Avot: 'It is not up to us to complete the task (of repairing our world), but that does not give us permission to give up on it.'"

An unidentified speaker said, "We have experienced a despicable, evil act."

Another unidentified speaker, calling himself a Catholic, said, "People cherry-pick the Bible and the Quran for excuses to kill."

He suggested reading the "Peace Prayer" by St. Francis - "Lord make me an instrument of your peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love...."

A retired Lehigh faculty member said, "I reject the idea of tribalism. I don't know what we can do to put tribalism behind us."

A woman urged the attendees to, "Seek out the good."

Dr. Walead Mosaad, director of Muslim Student Life at Lehigh, said, "It's easy to be kind to the ones you like." Then he told a cautionary fable of the Three Bulls against the Lion, wherein the lion, who is powerless against the three bulls together, divides them by the color of their fur, thus turning them against each other - then the lion conquers and eats each bull in turn.

"What can we do?" asked Mosaad. "I love everyone in this room. You honor us with your presence. What can we do? We can't change society all at once, but I can certainly change myself."

In a post-service interview, Mosaad shared some additional thoughts.

"When people see senseless violence, they need to make sense of it. Besides thoughts and prayers, there are things we can do, such as have a good relationship with people you meet. Don't dehumanize people."

"We've devolved into ideological tribalism," said Mosaad. "Instead of mobs and pitchforks in the streets, they do it on the Internet."

"They come out of self-radicalization, sitting in their basements - sitting alone in a toxic artificial environment that's not real. Large numbers of people can become deluded."

'We will continue to stand together'

Muslim Association opens doors after New Zealand attacks

BY PAUL CMIL  
Special to The Press

The Muslim community of the Lehigh Valley

called a news conference in Whitehall Township March 15 to express sorrow and outrage at the attack earlier that day on two New Zealand mosques. The loss of life from such a wanton violation of human decency shocked the world.

The Muslim Association of Lehigh Valley opened its doors to others in the community. Dr. Mirza Baig, MALV vice president, welcomed members of all different faiths who had gathered. In his address, Imam Basheer Bilaal described Islam and how the death of one member of the Muslim family affects all.

"Our hearts are heavy in mourning for the lives lost. We must not let terrorism stop

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## Charles Edward Lang

shipping clerk



Charles Edward Lang, 74, of Bethlehem, died March 8, 2019, in the care of his family and St. Luke's Hospice House. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Frank and Mary (Orban) Lang. He was the husband of Mary Ellen (Bauer) Lang for 47 years.

He was in the U.S. Army during

Vietnam.

He was a shipping clerk for Bethlehem Steel Corp. for 18 years. He later worked at Cigna Insurance Company for 13 years until he retired in 2010.

He was a member of Sts. Simon and Jude R. C. Church, Bethlehem.

In addition to his wife, Mary Ellen, he is survived by three children, Catherine M. Reese (Scott) of Whitehall; Charles "Chuck" Jr. (Lauren) of Downingtown and Christopher of Bethlehem; and four grandchildren, Ian, Abbey, Ryan and Katelyn.

He was predeceased by a brother, Francis Lang; and two sisters, Rosie Stettler and Geraldine Donchez.

Contributions may be made to The Leukemia Lymphoma Society or Angel 34 Foundation, c/o the funeral home, 527 Center St., Bethlehem.

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



## John Robert Novack

beam yard foreman



John Robert Novack, 86, of Bethlehem, died March 16, 2019. He was the son of the late John and Elizabeth (Chato) Novack. He was the husband of Sally (Heist) Novack for 62 years.

He was a U.S. Navy submarine sailor and deep sea diver during the Korean War. He used the G.I. Bill to earn a

pilot's license and then flew search and rescue for Civil Air Patrol.

He was a foreman in the Bethlehem Steel Corp. beam yard for 30 years until he retired.

He was a former president of the Golden Eagles and Cardinal 30014 flying clubs and of the senior league at Bar-Don Lanes, Easton. He played the accordion in a four-piece band.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, John Harold; a sister, Beatrice Gombocz; and a grandson, John Henry Novack.

He was predeceased by his young children, Holly Lee and David Alan; and a brother, Joseph.

Contributions may be made to St. Luke's Hospice, 240 Union Station Plaza, Bethlehem, PA 18015.

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

## Francis W. Vresics

structural draftsman



Francis "Frank" W. Vresics, 85, of Bethlehem, died March 17, 2019. He was the husband of Margaret Ann "Peggy" Vresics for 64 years.

Born in Bethlehem, he was the son of the late John and Anna (Cserpnyak) Vresics.

He was a graduate of the Bethlehem Vo-Tech.

He worked in the engineering department of the City of Bethlehem for one year. He then was a structural draftsman in the engineering department of the Bethlehem Steel Corp. for 33 years.

He was a former parishioner of St. Joseph Windish Catholic Church, Bethlehem, where he was a member of the Holy Name Society and was an altar server. He was currently a member of St. Anne's Catholic Church, where he was a greeter and an Eucharistic minister to the homebound.

He is survived by three sons, William and his wife Kathie of Danielsville, David and his wife Luda of Bethlehem and Stephen and his wife Sara of New Market, Va.; five grandchildren, Ryan and his wife Heather Vresics, Amanda and her husband Adam Smith, and Luke, Megan and Colin Vresics; a great granddaughter, Lily Smith; nieces; and nephews.

He was predeceased by his two brothers, Louis and John Vresics; and a sister, Mary, wife of Steve Holochuck.

Contributions may be made to St. Anne's Catholic Church, 450 E. Washington Ave., Bethlehem, PA 18017, and/or St. Luke's Hospice, 240 Union Station Plaza, Bethlehem, PA 18015.

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## Thomas "Harry" Hahn

city streets worker

Thomas "Harry" Hahn, 70, of Bethlehem, died March 13, 2019. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Elwood and Lucy (Foley) Hahn. He was the husband of Brenda Gail (Donnelly) Hahn.

Harry was a graduate of Liberty HS.

He retired from the streets department of the City of Bethlehem after more than 30 years of service.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Beth; two sons, Richard and Steven Polgar; seven grandchildren, Keri, Karine, Erica, Sammie, Brendan, Raegen and Mason; a great-granddaughter, Alaska; and two sisters, Jane Hahn and Mary Beth Heller.

Contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.

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## BOARD

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Hellertown Borough Council, 7 p.m. 685 Main St.

### Tuesday, April 2

Fountain Hill Finance, Public Works, Personnel, Housing, Ordinances, 11 a.m. 941 Long St.

Freemansburg Council, 7 p.m. 600 Monroe St

### Wednesday, April 3

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

# I Fleeing to America The experiences of refugees

BY DOROTHY GLEW

Special to the Bethlehem Press

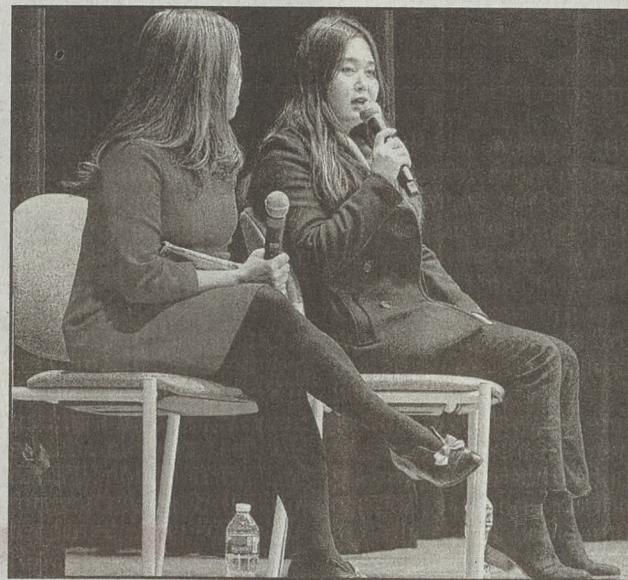
Few controversies are more fraught than immigration to this country. The issue has divided Americans and caused a crisis on our southern border.

Two guest speakers at Moravian College discussed immigration from different perspectives Feb. 13. Both gave the audience insight into what we can learn from the experiences of refugees.

Grace Han recounted her dangerous nighttime escape from "the prison state of North Korea" to China under cover of night, accompanied by her parents, her young sister, and a guide they had hired. Once in China they had to hide their North Korean identity to avoid deportation to North Korea, where they would have been sent to a concentration camp or executed in public. Six years later, 16-year-old Grace and her parents moved to the United Kingdom, where she had a very mixed experience in school. After six years in the UK, the family moved to South Korea, where she plans to attend college.

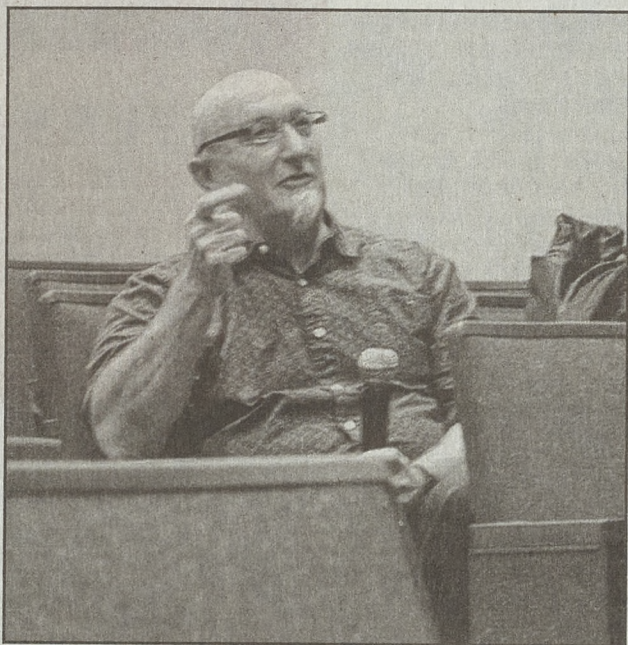
Dr. Melissa Borja, the other speaker, is an assistant professor at Michigan State University. A scholar of migration, race, and ethnicity, she studies Hmong refugees in the United States and how religious policy affects their resettlement.

Both speakers discussed the mixed reception refugees have received in their adopted country. Borja noted that refugees from different cultures than that



PRESS PHOTOS BY DENNIS GLEW

Grace Han describes the fear she experienced as a 10-year old fleeing North Korea.



In the Q&A, Professor John Black asked, "What about climate refugees - people forced to flee their homes because of disasters caused by climate change?" Dr. Melissa Borja answered that to date the U.S. has no policy for dealing with them.

of their adopted country can experience greater difficulty being accepted. For example, the Vietnam War brought about a million non

white, non-Christian refugees to the United States. Prior to their arrival, most refugees had come from Europe. After the Vietnam War,

**"As future teachers, you will be exposed to refugees who have experienced terrible things in their home countries."**

Dr. Melissa Borja

only 36 percent of Americans favored accepting refugees. Han said at first people in the United States were not welcoming, but once they got to know her, they were more accepting.

According to Borja, opposition to refugees can stem from the perception that they are a threat to our economy. "Sometimes our needs are at the epicenter, not their needs." She said we tend to accept refugees when it's in our political interest to do so. She told the audience that "as future teachers, you will be exposed to refugees who have experienced terrible things in their home countries." Many have been forced to leave, and "forced migration can be traumatic," but it can also end happily.

To illustrate the point, she described the experience of a husband, his very pregnant wife, and their young child, who were fleeing Laos and heading for Thailand.

The wife went into labor and gave birth on the banks of the Mekong River. All the while, soldiers were shooting at people crossing the river into Thailand. The family succeeded in escaping. The "baby" is now a student at the University of California Berkley.

# Summit: Equitable school funding

BY HANNA O'REILLY

Special to the Bethlehem Press

Educators, parents, superintendents, state representatives and more participated in the Lehigh Valley for All Education Summit Jan. 23. At around 6:30 p.m., residents of the Lehigh Valley gathered at the Steelworkers Union Hall in Bethlehem to learn the facts about education equality and school funding issues.

Speakers at the event included BASD Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy, Allentown School District school board member CeCe Gerlach, Angela Zanelli, campaign director for Lehigh Valley Reads, Lisa Pluchinsky, principal of The Lehigh Valley Dual Language Charter School, Parkland School District Superintendent Richard Sniscak, President of the Bethlehem Area School District board Mike Faccinnetto, BASD board member Angela Sinkel, Bethlehem parent Emily Schenkel, State Representative Steve Samuelson and State Representative Mike Schlossberg.

Most of the speakers touched on the topic of Pennsylvania state funding and how money is distributed among the various public, charter and online charter schools of the Lehigh Valley. Many of the speakers felt that charter schools - both brick and mortar and cyber - are not being equally evaluated when it comes to funding. This in turn results in an excess of taxpayer's dollars going toward these institutions who may not necessarily need the full amount they are receiving. Roy referenced the funding formula whose goal is to equitably distribute resources

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to schools, based on the needs of the students and their surroundings. Poverty level, location and educational necessities are just a few of the many factors that are to be looked at when the funding formula is being calculated.

The panel speakers explained their thoughts on how schools are evaluated and the way in which charter schools divert money from traditional public-school funding. According to Roy, if the money resulting from the state funding formula was distributed accurately among the 500 school districts, Bethlehem would receive almost \$22 million. "This would solve all of our budget problems-plus," he stated. The funding dollars in the stream are not equal to the full amount that it should be, with one issue being the diversion of tax dollars to charter schools.

Sniscak also spoke on this topic, explaining that Pennsylvania funding faces many challenges, and costs are constantly rising. Sniscak said charter school costs often tax the traditional public school budget. In addition, Sniscak explained that the excessively high tuition rate

for cyber charter schools has caused a significant deficit for public school dollars. There are many high performing public and charter schools in the area, as well as those who do not reach certain standards. One of the situations is determining which of the schools are reaching top levels and which are not.

Susan Spika presented a PowerPoint, explaining the distribution of money among public and charter schools and how charter schools are not held to the same standards of accountability as public schools when it comes to spending taxpayer money. Spika expressed the importance of Harrisburg legislatures looking into state budgeting and work on fixing the inadequate funding for schools in Pennsylvania. Spika also discussed the importance of looking into the quality of certain charter schools - specifically cyber - and determining whether their level of educating students is worth taking half a billion dollars from taxpayers. She also discussed the evaluation of students with disabilities and working toward matching the cost of those students' needs with the dollars the

charter schools receive. Spika explained that some charter schools do not use the full tuition dollars charged for certain disabled students and therefore make a profit off the money not used for the students' educational benefit. When it comes to charter schools, Spika said there is a lot that can be done to bring money back into public schools and how important it is for community members to get involved by speaking to representatives in Harrisburg about this topic. Attendees were urged to add their names to the email list as one of the first steps in getting involved.

Lisa Pluchinsky, principal of the Lehigh Valley Dual Language Charter School, spoke as not only a representative of her specific school, but for charter schools whose main goal is to educate their students. Pluchinsky explained there are many charter schools in the Lehigh Valley and across the state that focus on providing education for their students. However, Pluchinsky did say that she would like to see every charter school follow the same set of rules to avoid the slander of the charter school reputation. She explained the Lehigh Valley Dual Language Charter School is data-driven, ensuring the students needs are met based on information they provide. She added that not every charter is out to make money or some sort of personal gain.

There are many charter schools that follow the standards set in place and Pluchinsky said she would like to see the others do the same.



**BRIEFLY  
BETHLEHEM**

Holiday decor  
meeting April 2

The City of Bethlehem, with facilitation from consulting firm David Weiner Designs, LLC, will hold a public meeting to solicit community feedback on holiday decor from 5 to 7 p.m. April 2 in the Crayola Gallery, Banana Factory, 25 W. Third St.

The meeting will examine the existing seasonal items used in the city and determine the improvements that could be made to the lighting and overall decorations.

Residents, business owners and community stakeholders are strongly encouraged to attend the meeting to offer their insights and opinions on improvements and additions to lighting, decorations, interactive displays and other holiday decor throughout the city.

**GARDEN CLUB**

Scholarship  
deadline April 30

The Bethlehem Garden Club is currently accepting applications for a \$1,500 scholarship, to be received by April 30. The award is given to graduating seniors from the Bethlehem area who are continuing their education in the areas of conservation, horticulture, landscaping, floriculture, environmental studies, forestry, botany or a related field.

The application and signed letters of recommendation may be sent by U.S. Postal Service mail to Attn: Scholarship, Bethlehem Garden Club, P.O. Box 1183, Bethlehem, Pa. 18016; or emailed to bgcscholarship@gmail.com.

For information, visit [www.bethlehemgardenclub.org](http://www.bethlehemgardenclub.org).

**NMIH**

Summer camp  
dates set

For program and date information about the National Museum of Industrial History's 2019 summer camp, 'We Built This City: Engineering a City from the Ground Up', call 610-694-6644; or email [kbehlinger@nmi.org](mailto:kbehlinger@nmi.org).

# Helping people come to answers

## Local NCC student honored as a national semifinalist for prestigious transfer scholarships

BY CAROLE GORNEY  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Northampton Community College student Kayla Valenti has a dream of becoming a forensic pathologist, but she knows she has lots of years of study ahead of her, and potentially a huge debt to pay off after she graduates. Those are some of the motivations that led her to apply for one of the prestigious Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarships, which are awarded competitively each year to high-achieving community college students planning to transfer to some of the top four-year institutions to complete their bachelor's degrees.

Expecting to graduate from NCC in May, Valenti filled out applications and wrote multiple essays to demonstrate her qualifications for the transfer scholarship. It proved to be well worth the effort. She is now a semifinalist, vying to become one of 50 or so finalists who will be awarded scholarships of up to \$40,000 per year for up to three years. She was chosen from a pool of nearly 1,500 applicants attending 369 schools in 45 states and the District of Columbia. Finalists will be announced in April.

For Valenti, who grew up in Bethlehem and graduated from Liberty HS in 2017, there's more at stake than just the scholarship money. Being selected as a finalist, she said, would definitely enhance her chances of getting into



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

For Kayla Valenti, being selected as a Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarships finalist would definitely enhance her chances of getting into an Ivy League college.

"It would also help students see that it is beneficial to start [their studies] at a community college," she added.

Cooke Transfer Scholars are selected based on exceptional academic ability and achievement, financial need, persistence, service to others and leadership. Asked what special

qualifications she has to meet those standards, Valenti replied that she is very invested in her courses, is working two jobs, and is involved in honors leadership programs.

Those two jobs include private child care and standing in as cheerleading coach for a middle school and a recreational team. In her

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spare time, she helps care for her 9-year-old niece, Angelina.

"She has no strong female presence to be there for her, and no siblings," Valenti explained. "I want to be a role model for her."

The big question is why does Valenti want to become a forensic pathologist? It's not because of TV shows, she insists.

"I like to unravel mysteries and help people come to answers."

**BRIEFLY  
VALLEY**

Youth House  
gets PPL grant

Valley Youth House (VYH) has received a \$10,000 Educational Improvement Tax Credits from PPL Electric Utilities. The EITC funding will provide a free, week-long overnight STEM camp at Camp Fowler, Orefield.

Camp attendees will be low-income, rising sixth, seventh and eighth grade students. On-site educational STEM activities will be provided by DaVinci Science Center staff.

FNCB Bank has made it possible for local students to visit the National Museum of Industrial History through a \$1,000 EITC through the Pennsylvania Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program.

Recipients of EITC are approved Educational Improvement Organizations.

**GIRL SCOUTS**

'Take the Lead'  
sponsors needed

The annual Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania will honor four distinguished women leaders at the annual Take the Lead event April 30.

This year's recipients are Susan Drabic, president & CEO, Morningstar Senior Living, Olga Negron, a city of Bethlehem councilwoman and community liaison, HSGK Law Firm; Ashley Russo, president and executive producer, ASR Media Productions; and Cecelia Connelly-Weida Ph.D., dean of School of Business, Education, Legal, and Social Services, Lehigh Carbon Community College.

The fundraising event, planned and executed by girls, is seeking sponsors and supporters for this year's event, as well as providing Girl Scout leadership experience to more than 1,000 girls in under-served areas of the Lehigh Valley, all free of charge.

For more information, call 215-948-5123 or visit [takethelead@gsep.org](http://takethelead@gsep.org).

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## Advances in Kidney Cancer Care

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Lehigh Country Club  
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Registration begins at 5 p.m.

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Speakers from the Lehigh Valley Cancer Institute will provide insights about clinical trials, genetic testing and kidney cancer survivorship.

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## CITY

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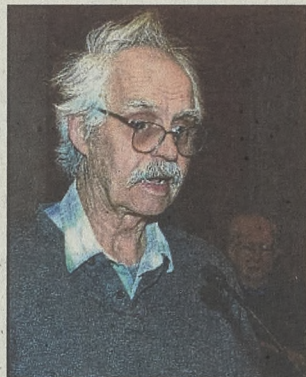
half of the proposed pedestrian bridge linking West Bethlehem with Southside Bethlehem. He said it will contribute to "re-inventing the public sphere." He said good grant work will be needed to fund the project. Its proposed location was not discussed, though he envisioned it linking the two parts of the city through Sand Island.

The council later gave preliminary approval to apply for a Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) grant application for \$40,000 for a feasibility study for the pedestrian bridge. DCNR Grants is an electronic grants system that provides one-stop shopping to the grantee community for many Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources supported projects.

Barbara Diamond presented a look back in local history to November 1967, when Bethlehem Public Library needed to move its 80,000-book collection from its old location at New and Market streets (now the location of the Moravian MS) to the new building (its current location near City Hall). She said over 700 citizens answered the call and helped pack, stack and carry books to the new location in an effort dubbed "Operation Book Move."

Organizers of the effort, Ed and Eleanor Beighe, were in the audience.

In a preliminary or first reading, council approved plans to apply for a five-year Keystone Enterprise Zone designation



PRESS PHOTOS BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

**Left:** Doug Roysdon of the Sierra Club speaks on behalf of the proposed pedestrian bridge linking West Bethlehem with the Southside. He said it will contribute to "re-inventing the public sphere." **Center:** Barbara Diamond presents an expected feature called "Bethlehem Moment," a short vignette of Bethlehem's history. **Right:** Elizabeth Behrend of the Bethlehem Environmental Advisory Council advances a proposal to ban single-use plastic bags in Bethlehem.



**Organizers of Operation Book Move,** Ed and Eleanor Beighe, are in the audience to hear Barbara Diamond describe their achievement.

for Bethlehem through the Keystone Communities Program.

The Director of Community and Economic Development recommended awarding a marketing services contract to the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Department of Public Works Director Michael Alkhal proposed an agreement between Pen-

nDOT and the city for finalization of the automated red light enforcement program project to improve pedestrian traffic at Elizabeth Avenue and Linden Street near Liberty HS. According to his memorandum, 75 percent of the project has been accomplished, leaving on the pavement markings to be done.

In other business, the city council approved

several mayoral appointments: Alexander O. Ward to the Fine Arts Commission; Nancy Topping to the Sister City Commission; Peter J. Schneck as an alternative to the Zoning Hearing Board; Jennifer Rowe Hawk to the Board of Historical and Architectural Review; Adrienne Pauling to the Human Relations Commission; and Rodman D. Young to the Board of Historical and Architectural Review.



PRESS PHOTO BY PAUL CMIL

**Dr. Mirza Baig**, vice president of the Muslim Association of Lehigh Valley, Whitehall Township, addresses community and faith-based leaders March 15 about the terrorist attacks at two mosques in New Zealand.

## STAND

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us from openly worshipping God and practicing our faith," he said. "We will continue to stand together."

Rabbi Seth Phillips, of Congregation Keneseth Israel, Allentown, expressed his sorrow.

"We want our Muslim brothers and sisters to know that you are not alone," he said.

As these members of the Muslim community had mourned the loss of Jewish lives in the aggravated attack on a synagogue in Pittsburgh Oct. 27, 2018, the Jewish community came out to support the Muslim community.

Bethlehem Interfaith Council members Rabbi Michael Singer and the Rev. Beth Goudy gave their condolences and pledged to offer their support as well.

"An attack on anyone because of race, religion or culture is an attack on humanity and can-

not be condoned," said the Rev. Larry Pickens, representing the Lehigh County Conference of Churches.

It was expected that the local Muslim community would be joined by members of other faiths. All faiths are founded on peace and brotherhood, each in its own distinctive way.

Public officials joined in expressing their sorrow and presenting comforting words.

The gathering was followed by a candlelight vigil March 17 at Seventh and Hamilton streets, Allentown, with readings and prayers. (See story on page A1.)

The wisdom MALV extended to the community goes beyond the prayers.

There will be an open house at the mosque, 1988 Schadt Ave., 11 a.m.-2 p.m. April 27. The atmosphere at the open house is one of understanding and fellowship with information on Islam.



Claudia - Hobbyist, Wrist Surgery

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## BRIEFLY ARTSQUEST

Linny Award  
nominees sought

The fourth annual Linny Awards of the ArtsQuest Foundation have opened nominations for the multi-discipline arts 2019 awards. The event honors Marlene "Linny" Fowler, a stained-glass artist and community leader who supported Lehigh Valley artists and arts organizations for more than 25 years.

The categories include Visual Artist of the Year, Performing Artist of the Year, Emerging Artist of the Year, Arts Educator of the Year and Student Artist Scholarship Award. Proceeds go to support the nonprofit ArtsQuest Foundation, which Fowler helped found in 2003.

To nominate a person living or working in Lehigh, Northampton, upper Bucks and upper Montgomery counties in Pennsylvania, as well as Warren County in New Jersey, visit [www.artsquestfoundation.org/linnyawards](http://www.artsquestfoundation.org/linnyawards) by April 15. Winners will be selected by a jurying panel and announced in mid-June.

## Nurses: 'Horrifying' staff shortage

BY BERNIE O'HARE  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

So far this year, Northampton County Council member Tara Zrinski has peppered council with concerns about environmental issues like a plastic straw ban, support of the Green New Deal and the establishment of a committee to pursue industrial hemp manufacturing. She has even sought council's support for a resolution calling for the legalization, regulation and taxation of marijuana.

But a procession of Gracedale nurses made county council aware March 21 that county government has other, more pressing, obligations. Saying morale is at an all-time low, they complained about "horrible" staff shortages and low pay.

These nurses were led by Local 2599 United Steelworkers President Jerry Greene. He represents a bargaining unit consisting of RNs and social workers at the county's home. "The talks haven't been going that well," said Greene. While agreeing that Ex-

"inherited a mess from the last administration," he said the facility is understaffed and employees there are underpaid.

Valerie Mikula, an RN employed at Gracedale since 2001, said she sees the home's mission as providing the highest level of care for the Gracedale residents without causing a hardship to the taxpayers. "Why are we making \$5.5 million profit?" she asked.

According to Mikula, there are currently 18 full-time RNs, with 36 full-time RN vacancies. The home is also down 88 aides, she asserted. She added that multiple floors have no RNs, and the work is done by LPNs.

Mikula's comments were echoed by an LPN,

alone on a floor with 32 residents. She complained that when a resident falls, he or she must often remain there for as long as 30 minutes until an RN can be located to assess the situation. She said that because of acute understaffing, supervisory RNs often must dispense medications instead of responding to a resident who is lying on the floor after a fall.

Another LPN said morale is at an all-time low. It's "kind of horrifying," she said. She complained she works 62 hours per week and still gets called.

"The morale stinks!" added CNA Julie Stout. She said the constant overtime has workers at each others' throats. She

## NORCO-GRACEDALE

**"The morale stinks!" added CNA Julie Stout. She said the constant overtime has workers at each others' throats. She herself had just finished nine days in a row of extra shifts. She added that the lack of manpower contributes to falls and bedsores.**

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Candida Fairchild, employed at the home since 1995, said she's unsure she'll stay. She gets alerts asking her to work overtime every day. "It's exhausting," she complained. "I hit and killed a woman getting to work."

"I wish we could pay them more money," responded Executive McClure. "But we have 1,100 employees who agreed to the pattern." His pattern is a 4 1/2 percent raise in the first year, followed by 2 percent raises in years two and three. He also eliminated co-insurance and gap insurance, which puts more money into the pocket of the worker.

Some nurses suggested 12-hour shifts and signing bonuses. McClure said he is open to both ideas, but they were rejected by the union.

In the meantime, Gracedale's Medicare rating remains at two stars, or "below average."

## BRIEFLY VALLEY

Pediatric race  
set for April 13

Registration is now open for the Pediatric Cancer Foundation of Lehigh Valley's Ready, Set, Gold 8K Run/5K Walk to be held April 13 at the Ironton Rail Trail, Co-play.

Run begins 8:30 a.m. The 5K Walk will begin at 9 a.m. Registration begins at 7 a.m.

Come early and check out the merchandise table and the raffle.

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## CITY

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are now online

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**Josh Divers from Seven Sirens**, developer Larry Eighmy, architect Elliott Nolter and Jordan Serulneck from Seven Sirens present revised façade and signage proposals for the front and back of 327 Broadway. Bethlehem HCC members, from left, are Anthony Silvoy, Roger Hudak, historic officer Jeff Long, and Chairman Philip Roeder.

## Seven Sirens signage approved

BY ED COURRIER  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Developer Larry Eighmy received a certificate of appropriateness for a revised design of the aluminum and glass Fourth St. façade of 327 Broadway and the addition of windows to the upper floors on the west side of the building from the Bethlehem Historic Conservation Commission Feb. 25 at the Rotunda. Accompanied by architect Elliott Nolter and Seven Sirens owners Jordon Serulneck and Joshua Divers, Eighmy received approval for rooftop infrastructure, including stair towers and an elevator shaft. Signage for Seven Sirens Brewing Company in individually mounted aluminum letters was okayed for the Broadway façade, lit by dark bronze gooseneck fixtures. A light strip under the letters will provide additional illumination.

Craig Evans recused himself from this one agenda item.

Brinker Lofts at 321 Adams St., represented by Tom Gerlak and Charles Jefferson, was granted a COA for design revisions mandated by the National Park Ser-

## HISTORIC CONSERVATION COMMISSION



At right, Tim Jones, accompanied by Ryan Daubert, seeks approval for proposed LP Lehigh Partners signage for 700 Evans St. At left is board member Kenneth Loush.

vice to retain the north wall of the boiler house on the property. The ambitious project to convert the former Lehigh Valley Cold Storage facility into 30 apartments was approved in 2017. Named for the cold storage company's founder, Adam Brinker, the massive five-story red brick 1890s era structure fills

the block between East Fourth Street and the South Bethlehem Greenway along Adams Street.

The developers were originally planning to demolish the side and back walls of the boiler house to create a fenced-in courtyard, but have incorporated the back wall into the courtyard design, as mandated. The

applicants were instructed to return for approval for the courtyard gates. The building is owned by Bethlehem-Adams LLC and is being developed by Jefferson-Werner, LLC.

Tim Jones, accompanied by Ryan Daubert, received approval for a logo change on an existing sign face for 700 Evans St. The "LP Lehigh Partners" company name and logo in sans serif type is to be reduced in height. The board requested the ends of the sign be darkened to better position its readability. Although it is an illuminated box sign, approval was granted as long as it is not lit from inside the box. Jones and Daubert mentioned this would serve as an interim sign and they would return at a future date with a new design.

The Bethlehem HCC is charged with 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.

### Cedar Crest College

#### Basij-Rasikh May 11 Commencement speaker

Cedar Crest College has announced that Shabana Basij-Rasikh, the co-founder and president of the School of Leadership, Afghanistan, will be the Commencement speaker at 10 a.m. May 11 at the PPL Center, 701 Hamilton St., Allentown. At that time, she will also receive an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Cedar Crest College.

Born and raised in Kabul, Afghanistan, under Taliban rule, she studied in secret schools as education for girls was forbidden. She completed high school in the United States through the State Department's Youth Exchange Studies program. She graduated with honors in 2011 from Middlebury College, where she received the Campus Compact Madeline Kunin Public Service Award for outstanding leadership and service to others.

She returned to Afghanistan and established SOLA, the country's first boarding school for girls from age 11-19.

In 2014, she was named one of National Geographic's Emerging Explorers and one of CNN International's Leading Women. She was recognized with the Malalai Medal in 2018, one of Afghanistan's most important national awards.

#### April 2 Information session

There will be an information session for adults interested in advancing their careers through continuing education, at 5:45 p.m. April 2 in the Tompkins College Center.

Program directors and faculty will be in attendance to meet with prospective students about Cedar Crest's undergraduate and graduate academic programs, including the recently added Master of Science in Integrative Exercise Science and the graduate certificate in Strategic Leadership and Analytics. The event is hosted by Cedar Crest College's School of Adult and Graduate Education.

To register, visit [www.cedarc Crest.edu/sageevents](http://www.cedarc Crest.edu/sageevents) or contact the School of Adult and Graduate Education at 610-740-3770 or email [sage@cedarc Crest.edu](mailto:sage@cedarc Crest.edu).

#### Monk reading, book signing April 3

Award-winning author Bathsheba Monk will present a fiction reading and sign copies of her books from 7 to 8 p.m. April 3 in the Tompkins College Center. The free, open to the public event as part of the college's Visiting Writers Series.

The speaker is an editor of Blue Heron Book Works, develops original screenplays for television, writes the Swanson Herbinko Mystery series and, as Maddy Wells, authors young adult novels. Her collection of short stories, 'Now You See It...Stories from Cokesville, Pa.' and her novel 'Nude Walker' bring to life the coal and steel towns of Pennsylvania, depicting underrepresented experiences in working-class, post-industrial America.

For information, email [acwellfo@cedarc Crest.edu](mailto:acwellfo@cedarc Crest.edu).

Cedar Crest College is located at 100 College Drive, Allentown, 8104. For information, call 1-800-360-1222 or visit [www.cedarc Crest.edu](http://www.cedarc Crest.edu).

### Lehigh University

#### Spring Fling March 30

The 18th annual Spring Fling free outdoor carnival for South Bethlehem children and families will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 30 on the center lawn at Lehigh University.

The Community Service Office at Lehigh University is hosting the event, with check-in beginning at 11 a.m. and an egg hunt at 11:30 a.m. Lehigh students will be providing children's activities, including crafts, inflatables, games and more. Free lunch will also be provided.

For additional information, please call Lehigh University's Community Service Office at 610-758-6674 or email [inspring@lehigh.edu](mailto:inspring@lehigh.edu).

Lehigh University is located at 27 Memorial Drive West. For information, call 610-758-3000 or visit [www.lehigh.edu](http://www.lehigh.edu).

### Muhlenberg College

#### Turow May 19 Commencement speaker

Author and attorney Scott Turow will be the speaker for Muhlenberg College's 171st Commencement May 19. He is the author of 14 books, including 'Presumed Innocent' which became a 1990 movie starring Harrison Ford. He is a law school classmate of both college president John I. Williams Jr. and his wife Diane Pierce-Williams.

He earned an undergraduate degree from Amherst College and a doctorate from Harvard Law School. He attended Stanford University's Creative Writing Center.

Turow, former Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Treasury Sarah Bloom Raskin, chief of the Wills Eye Pediatric Ophthalmology and Ocular Genetics Service Dr. Alex Levin '78 and former Sandy Hook Elementary School teacher Kaitlin Roig-DeBellis will receive honorary degrees during the ceremony.

Muhlenberg College is located at 2400 W. Chew St., Allentown, 18104. For information, visit [www.muhlenberg.edu](http://www.muhlenberg.edu).

### Northampton Community College

#### Gender Genie Tour April 2

Kavindu "Kavi" Ade, an activist, arts educator and nationally recognized poet of Afro and indigenous Caribbean descent, will present the 'Gender Genie' tour at 11 a.m. April 2 in Room 114, Cohen Lounge, College Center, Bethlehem Campus. The performance will be followed by a Q & A session.

Ade earned a bachelor of arts in social justice with a concentration on art for social change and gender justice.

The poetry is described as a lamentation, a leaning in to what haunts the spirit of a Black Trans Queer body. Ade is a 2016 Leeway Transformation Award recipient, Brave New Voices alum, Watering Hole Poetry Fellow, and former Poetry Slam Coach for the internationally recognized Philly Youth Poetry Movement.

The free, open to the public event is sponsored by the NCC Pride Club and the College Life Committee. For more information, visit [www.northampton.edu](http://www.northampton.edu) or call 610-861-5300.

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](http://www.northampton.edu) or <http://northampton.edu/news/ncc-events-calendar.htm>.

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## BRIEFLY SALISBURY

Booster clothing drive April 27

Salisbury Athletic Booster Club is conducting a one day clothing and more donation drive 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. April 27 at Salisbury MS, 3301 Devonshire Road.

Drop off bagged or boxed items at the main entrance. Late arrivals will not be accepted as the collection truck will arrive between 12:30 and 1:30 p.m.

The event will be held rain or shine.

The following items will be accepted: clothing and shoes for all seasons, all sizes; accessories, including purses, belts, baby accessories, backpacks, hats, scarves, gloves and ties; household items including blankets, tablecloths, bed sheets, draperies, pillows, towels, small rugs, quilts and comforters; small, soft toys (less than two feet) and stuffed animals; scooters, car seats with base, strollers and outdoor bicycles of any size.

All shoes must be bagged and kept separate from other items.

Items not collected include: VCR tapes, CDs, books, box televisions, monitors, oversized play sets or outdoor play sets, workout/exercise equipment, appliances, furniture, lamps, house décor, board games, puzzles, electronics, glassware, pots and pans, rugs, baby gear or hard toys.

For more information, visit <https://clothingdrive.net>.

## 5x5 exhibit opens March 28



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**"Artifacts Reimagined: A 5 X 5 Artist Exhibition"** will be on display at the Kemerer Museum of Decorative Arts from March 28 to Aug. 18. An artist reception and talk will be held Thursday, March 28, from 6 to 8 p.m. Music will be provided by The Allan Meyerson Trio and the public is welcome to attend. There is an admission fee.

The 5 x 5 Exhibition is an annual event that occurs in the Lehigh Valley which brings together five talented artists working with five different media. Their unique visions demonstrate their skills, styles and versatility, while celebrating the distinctive nature of their respective media. The participating artists are Richard Begbie (photography), James A. DePietro (painting), Barbara Kozero (mosaics / sculpture), Jacqueline Meyerson (pastels), and Pat Delluva (printmaking). The Kemerer Museum of Decorative Arts is located at 427 N. New St., Bethlehem.

## BRIEFLY BAPL/MAIN

New hours

started March 4

Starting March 4, the Bethlehem Area Public Library's Main Library, 11 W. Church St., has new hours.

Opening hours will be at 9 a.m. instead of 10 a.m. Mondays through Fridays. Saturday hours will remain the same, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m..

For information, visit [www.bapl.org](http://www.bapl.org)

## STATE POLICE

Camp Cadet

set for May 11

Troop N Community Services Unit, in partnership with Troop N Camp Cadet, will host the annual Sunny Day Camp from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 11 at the Pocono Raceway, 1234 Long Pond Road, Long Pond.

The program is for ages eight and up who are Special Olympic participants, or an adults/children with special needs or persons with a disability. Participants must be accompanied by a family member or a guardian.

The event, free to all registered participants, is coordinated by the Troop N Community Services unit.

Visit [www.troopncampcadet.com/Home/SunnyDay](http://www.troopncampcadet.com/Home/SunnyDay) for brochure, information and application. Registration ends April 6.

## DIRECT DEPOSIT

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## Despite ethics sanction, member reappointed

BY BERNIE O'HARE

Special to the Bethlehem Press

Judith Henckel is a well-known environmental activist who currently serves on Northampton County's Open Space Advisory Board. At their March 21 meeting, council members reappointed her to a two-year term, with no discussion. They did so despite a \$1,000 fine levied by the state ethics commission against her last year for engaging in a conflict of interest as an Upper Mount Bethel Township supervisor.

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She had been accused of using her public office to steer public work to her son, a landscape architect. She signed some of the checks paying him. She never disclosed this relationship. She claimed it was unintentional.


Henckel led a "save or pave" drive supporting a 2007 referendum in which Upper Mount Bethel taxpayers agreed to a 0.25 tax hike dedicated to preserving open

space. That year, she also won a six-year seat on the board of supervisors, where she pursued an environmental agenda that included the 2008 purchase of a 300-acre quarry owned by Eastern Industries, financed with a \$2 million bond. That purchase was criticized by Ron Angle, who charged that the township was buying "barren land" that could never be developed. But Henckel countered that

the move was essential to protect the "Mount Bethel Fens."

Upper Mount Bethel supervisors began looking in 2016 at records of payments made to Urban Research and Development, a well-respected Bethlehem-based firm that employs prominent landscape architect Leonard Policelli. Supervisor Anthony DeFranco revealed that Urban Research had been paid \$360,000 during Henckel's tenure for different projects, including the

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# Lending a hand on President's Day

On Feb. 18, United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley (UWGLV) hosted its first Senior Day of Action at multiple locations across the Lehigh Valley.

Thirty-one multigenerational volunteers and AmeriCorps VISTAs spent Presidents Day morning lending a hand at Big Brothers Big Sisters Lehigh Valley, Valley Youth House Maternity Group Home and Lehigh Valley Children's Center. The event is one of several planned for the year with the goal of engaging older adults in the community.

"Volunteering is good for both your mental and physical health," says Carmen Bell, Director of Healthy Aging at UWGLV. "It helps to reduce stress and depression and isolation. And so we encourage the older residents of our community to stay connected and engaged."

Volunteer Center of the Lehigh Valley coordinated the volunteers and locations. Volunteers aided in crafting party favors for an upcoming Big Brothers Big Sisters fundraiser. Participants at Valley Youth House refreshed the maternity rooms with a fresh coat of paint and volunteers at Lehigh Valley Children's Center (LCCC) participated in activities with kids such as stretching,



PHOTO BY MARCO CALDERON COURTESY THE LV UNITED WAY

**Older adults work** side by side with AmeriCorps VISTAs and United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley volunteers and staff for Senior Day of Action at Big Brothers Big Sisters, Allentown. The service opportunity was designed to encourage seniors to stay engaged with their community.

dancing and singing. Volunteers at LCCC also cleaned classrooms and toys.

Congresswoman Susan Wild and State Representative Michael Schlossberg took part, helping with preparations for the Big Brothers Big Sisters bowling fundraiser. Each assisted by cutting and attaching pinwheel shaped construction paper to lollipops, which will be given as favors for the fundraiser. They also spent time visiting with organization employees

and the volunteers.

Avoiding social isolation among older adults and integrating seniors into their community is a priority of Age-Friendly Lehigh Valley and UWGLV. Some 26,000 seniors in Lehigh and Northampton counties have difficulties meeting their own basic needs. Senior Day of Action was designed to help seniors stay active and healthy, and is a step in the Age-Friendly initiative to fight ageism. Through this and similar events, older

adults can stay engaged in the community and interact with others, thus avoiding the perils of social isolation.

"Yesterday, new friendships were formed," Bell said. "New connections were made and we're just so grateful to all who gave their time and energy to assist a few of our local organizations with projects. And we are also thankful for the partners who provided the opportunities for us to be of service."

*Contributed article*

## Authority makes plans for Earth Day

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI  
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No single agenda item dominated Bethlehem's authority meeting March 14, as the majority of ongoing issues were addressed and set aside for further work.

Executive Director Stephen Repasch did say he is looking forward to Earth Day April 22 and intends to lead buses of volunteers to the water-

shed to plant chestnuts for a new generation of trees.

Repasch said he's reached out to Northampton Community College in the hope of attracting student and faculty volunteers.

Seemingly intrigued by a day spent out in the sun, many board mem-

bers said they'd like to join the expedition.

Meanwhile, the yearslong wind energy project, which may ultimately culminate in the construction of dozens of giant electricity-generating turbines near the Carbon County watershed, has hit another doldrum.

Appeals and counter appeals between the authority and developer Atlantic Wind and Penn Forest Township's zoning hearing board persist in a perpetual tug-of-war.

Repasch sounded resigned. "I don't know how long this process takes. Months?"

The next meeting is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. April 11 at city hall.

### BETHLEHEM

## CENTER FOR ANIMAL HEALTH & WELFARE

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



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## VOLUNTEERS

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**AMERICAN RED CROSS of the GREATER LEHIGH VALLEY**, Allentown - Help us SOUND THE ALARM AND SAVE LIVES by volunteering to share fire-safety tips and install free smoke alarms (by appointment throughout Allentown) April 27. Register your group/individual at [https://volunteerconnection.redcross.org/?nd=vms\\_public\\_form&form\\_id=5658](https://volunteerconnection.redcross.org/?nd=vms_public_form&form_id=5658). For questions, contact Ned Bloom, 484-403-4721, [ned.bloom@redcross.org](mailto:ned.bloom@redcross.org).

**CENTER FOR VISION LOSS**, Allentown, is seeking volunteers to work with staff to administer vision-screening tests for preschool and kindergarten age children in Lehigh or Northampton County. Contact Rita Lang, 610-433-6018, [rita.lang@centerforvisionloss.org](mailto:rita.lang@centerforvisionloss.org).

**GIRL SCOUTS of EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA** seek volunteers to be Daisy scout leaders to give the littlest Girl Scouts their first leadership experience. Contact Dale Marie Moelter, 267-443-0026, [dmoelter@gsep.org](mailto:dmoelter@gsep.org).

**GREATER VALLEY YMCA**, Easton, is looking for volunteers (18+ years) to assist with Healthy Kids Day April 27. Contact Julie Novick, 610-438-6065, [julienovick@gv-ymca.org](mailto:julienovick@gv-ymca.org).

## NORCO

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development of a community park spearheaded by Policelli.

According to the Pennsylvania Ethics Act, a conflict or conflict of interest exists when a public official uses the authority of her office or any confidential information received through that office for the private pecuniary benefit of herself, a member of her immedi-

ate family or a business with which she or a member of her immediate family is associated.

"If in fact her son was getting a pecuniary benefit, there could be a conflict," said Upper Mount Bethel Solicitor Ron Karasek. "In all due respect, I was not aware that Mr. Policelli was Judy's son."

"She lobbied for these things," argued Angle, "knowing that a close relative would benefit."

## ANOTHER VIEW

### Clear thinking, milder remedies

Donald Rumsfeld was known for saying that there are things we know we know, things we know we don't know, and things we don't know we don't know. I would like to suggest that the things we know we know can be meaningfully broken down into two groups: things we know that are relevant, and things we know that are not. Two examples come to mind.

The first concerns 2 West Market St. We heard that it was impossible to obtain a mortgage to buy the property because it had both a residence and three little commercial buildings. We were told the buyer of the property mortgaged other properties to buy the property. Why was this a problem? Did the buyer want to consolidate mortgages? Did the buyer want to make it easier to sell someday? If one or both of these were a problem, why wasn't the lot subdivided to end the mixed use? I have been told subsequently that this would have required variances. But isn't that a milder remedy than amending the zoning ordinance? Shouldn't milder remedies be pursued as a matter of policy in preference to more drastic remedies like amending an ordinance? But this of course would not have satisfied the objective of the wealth management firm, which was to enter a historic district and convert a residence into an office building. In other words, the mortgage problem was an irrelevant excuse to enable a rezoning.

A second example of irrelevant knowledge was in the discussion about raising parking meter rates. We heard that other cities, including Reading and Harrisburg as I recall, had raised their rates from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per hour. Now it is possible that these cities knew something we didn't on this matter, which isn't very likely. And we certainly don't compete with them. And we don't compete that much with downtown Allentown or Easton. Our real competitors are the malls. And their parking rates are zero. So we ended up by putting our downtown merchants at a further disadvantage vis-a-vis the malls. Why did we do this? The only real answer was that it was done to raise money for new and/or renovated garages. This of course should benefit our downtown businesses. This is kind of like "no pain, no gain." But in this case the pain is permanent.

Clear thinking requires all of us, myself included, to more carefully weigh all information, and decide which is relevant and which is not.

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# State Champions!



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The girls pose with the state trophy as well as a giant Hershey bar after winning the state title.

## Hawks bring home crown

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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"Too happy to even cry," said Bethlehem Catholic guard Jaleesa Lanier after the Hawks were crowned PIAA State Class 4A girls' basketball champions by defeating North Catholic, 60-49, on Saturday at the Giant Center in Hershey, Pa.

Screams and squeals filled the arena as time ran out in the state final and the Hawks' emptied the bench to celebrate.

"It's amazing to win this, especially when everyone doubted us, never thinking we would be here; but from day one, it was always our goal to be here, and I think it was amazing to go out with a bang," said Becahi forward Briana Barnard.

The 27-4 Hawks, coached by Jose Medina, had taken on the 26-3 Trojanettes from western Pennsylvania, coached by Molly Rottmann.

"Ecstatic. It's really unreal. There aren't many words to describe



After the final seconds tick down, the Becahi girls celebrate their second state title in three years.

it," said Becahi center Abby Brown. "Tonight it will sink in, but right now it feels like a dream come true."

The first score of the game did not come for three long minutes, a three pointer by North Catholic's number-23, Tess Myers.

"I had to spend a lot of energy guarding number-23, Tess Myers, giving it all my effort," said Barnard.

Ten seconds later, Becahi forward Kourtney Wilson responded with a three of her own, but it was the second quarter when the Hawks' defense came through, beginning with a Lanier-forced turnover, a pass to Barnard, and a bucket from Wilson.

Lanier repeated with an interception at North Catholic's end of the court and Wilson repeated with two points.

In the meantime, Brown had been called for two early fouls.

"Coming in and getting those two quick foul calls was a real struggle so I was really hoping

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Isabelle Rosario and Jaleesa Lanier pose following the game before getting their medals.



Keyara Walters is awarded her medal after the Hawks won the state title.



Kourtney Wilson stepped up with big baskets for the Hawks in the semis and finals.



Briana Barnard keeps a close eye on North Catholic's Tess Myers.

## During this run, BC had the answers

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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What Bethlehem Catholic's girls' basketball team had in the state final were answers, but the questions started being answered at the start of the season when they knew their best player, Taliyah Medina, would be out all year with an injury.

"Our philosophy has been the same all year," said Becahi coach Jose Medina. "We're going to work hard. There are things we've got to do and make the game ugly. They might not be the tallest, and they might not be the strongest, but they work the hardest together."

So with Taliyah Medina cheering on the bench, freshman Kourtney Wilson was an answer who stepped up with the poise of an upperclassman.

Coach Medina had a quartet of point guards with which to rotate, and those answers were Jaleesa Lanier, Solei Rodriguez, Isabelle Rosario, and Keyara Walters.

On state final game day, Becahi forward Briana Barnard was dealing with a hamstring issue, but she answered by guarding North Catholic's Tess Myers with her life.

"She gutted it out, and that's who we are, and she did a wonderful job locking that number-23 up," coach Medina said. "Offense comes and goes, but defense travels."

Abby Brown was the Hawks' starting center, who got in early foul trouble on Saturday, but she answered with 13 points at critical times. And Julia Zambo was the defensive answer when Brown had to come out of the game after those early fouls.

"We noticed they had three 1,000 point scorers, so for us, we hammered the defense," coach Medina said.

Freshman forward Stephanie Donato was an offensive answer off the bench, and senior forward Taliyah Peterson was a defensive one.

The Becahi coaching staff had a logistical answer to the noon start on Saturday in Hershey.

"We kept to the routine, and we rode the rickety bus up here in the morning," said Coach Medina. "The girls were upset, but we said, let's stick to what we've done."

So the Becahi team of 16 including Kamryn Williamson, Kelby McNally, Cydney Stanton, Oneviah Scott, and Yvonne Perez jumped on the yellow school bus as they had all season long.

Even the Lady Hawk parents were an answer to a special request before cleaning and decorating the bus for the team.

"The parents did a great job of taking the phones away last night by 10," said coach Medina, who has always and continues to believe in taking care of the small details so that the answers, the big things, will come.

"I'm so happy to work alongside a great staff, great kids, great parents, and such a great institution like Bethlehem Catholic. Bold that."

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The girls acknowledge who is number-one after winning the state title in Hershey this past Saturday afternoon.



Stephanie Donato, O'Neviah Scott-Almonte and Taliyah Medina celebrate with their medals.



Jaleesa Lanier is all smiles during the introductions.



Coach Medina talks to the girls during a time out in the action.

## GIRLS

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I could play calm and composed despite the fact that I was already getting flustered because of the refs, but you can't let the refs determine the game so I just blocked them out," she said.

Brown, in fact, turned the tables and scored 13 points for the Hawks.

"I always work on those corner shots," said Brown. "My coach makes me hit five in a row from each side, and that work really helped today."

The Hawks took a 25-20 halftime lead into the locker room.

"Every game for the past couple weeks, they've been coming back, coming back, and we wanted to make sure they didn't come back this time," said Lanier.

And the Trojanettes never quite did.

"In the fourth quarter when we were getting deflections and steals and making a run on them, I knew it was ours," said Barnard. "I couldn't be more proud of my girls and the coaches and all the support that we've had."

After a hard-fought, 20-point game by Myers, the junior guard fouled out with 1:21 remaining in the contest.

"We knew if we had

our defense and kept pushing, our shots would fall. The ball will always find us," said Lanier. "I'm so happy to put some respect on our name. It just feels so good."

The state trophy and gold medals were awarded to Isabelle Rosario, Lanier, Keyara Walters, Barnard, Kamryn Williamson, Solei Rodriguez, Kelby McNally, Wilson, Cydney Stanton, Stephanie Donato, O'Neviah Scott, Taliyah Medina, Brown, Yvonne Perez, Taliyah Peterson, Julia Zambo, and coaches Medina, Arnold Alleyene, Dwight Repsher, Calvin Arrick and Mike McKelvey.



Abby Brown and the Hawks, shown here in the state finals, knocked off Bonner Prendergast in the semifinals, avenging their loss in last year's state playoffs.

## Girls avenge loss to Bonner Prendergast

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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For Bethlehem Catholic's girls' basketball team, last year's state playoff against Bonner Prendergast was the game that got away, and the Hawks never forgot that.

"We just knew, coming out, we do not want to repeat last year," said Becahi center Abby Brown. "We practiced our fast breaks, we practiced pushing and pushing and pushing because we wanted to get off to that quick start and jump to the big lead. That way, at the end, it didn't come down to the refs like last year."

The lead came, and the lead went, but it came back again, and the Hawks defeated the Pandas, 64-50, in the PIAA State Class 4A semifinal last Tuesday at Souderton High School.

"Right now, it just feels great," Brown said.

Both teams pushed a fast-paced first quarter, and Becahi guard Jaleesa Lanier fired off threes that wouldn't miss.

"I really honestly thank my teammates because they got me open a lot," said Lanier. "There was a lot of hacking going on but we've played aggressive teams before, so I'm used to it and just wanted to keep pushing through."

The Hawks slowed things down to start the second quarter, but

the Pandas sped them up halfway through, and Becahi forward Briana Barnard was in foul trouble with three.

Leading 25-19 at halftime, the Hawks still had last year's game on their mind, especially after the Pandas came back to tie on consecutive buckets by Ariana McGeary, Alexis Eagan, and Maeve McCann.

"My heart stopped and it felt like a flashback to last year," said Brown. "I give credit to number-24 (McGeary). She was really good, really strong. Every girl out there wanted it."

After Bonner's Dakota McGaughan put the Pandas ahead with a three, the Pandas took 60 seconds off the clock but got called for a travel.

That's when Becahi forward Kourtney Wilson hit a jumper and Barnard scored on an off balance shot underneath the basket. Isabelle Rosario came up with a steal, Lanier made two free throws, and the fourth quarter began in a 35-35 tie.

Bonner missed three foul shots early in the fourth, Lanier made another three, Keyara Walters added two more points, and the Hawks were on their way to putting the game away.

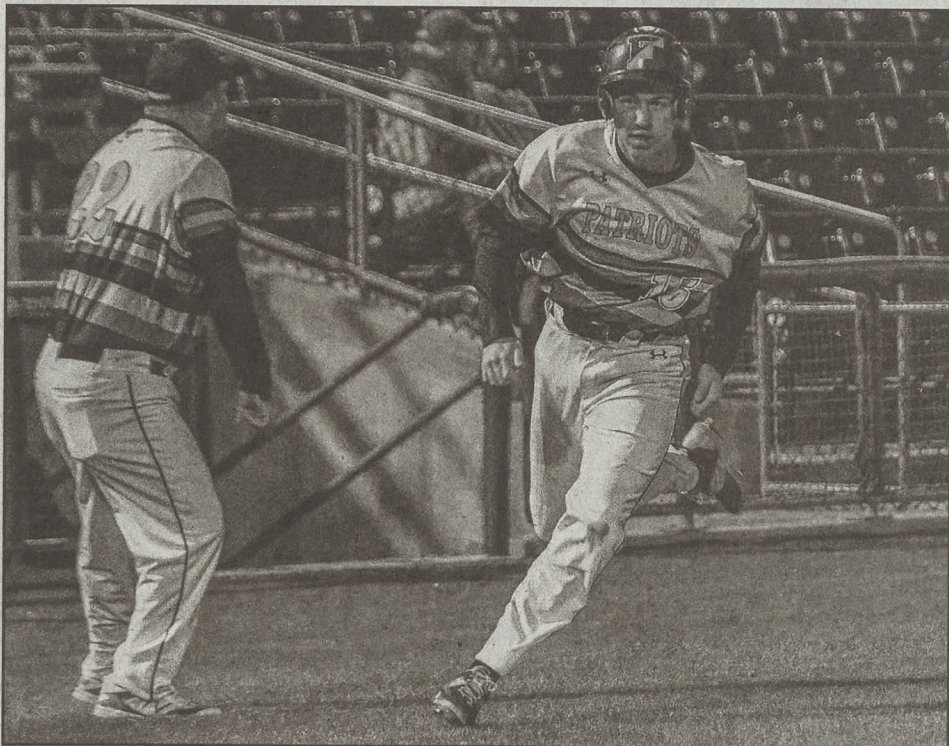
"Everything was going to be OK when there were 53 seconds in the fourth quarter," said Lanier. "I was like, yes, we made it."



The Becahi girls storm the court following their victory in the finals.



# BASEBALL PREVIEWS



PRESS FILE PHOTO

Cam Biery is back as the Patriots look for another district title.

## Pates back to defend

BY PETER CAR  
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After winning the District 11 6A title last season, Freedom now has the bull's-eye on their backs heading into this spring.

The Pates, who won their first district title since 1999 last spring in a 2-1 win over Parkland, enter with expectations, but also with a lack of experience from last year's Cinderella run through the district tournament as a seventh seed.

"Our goals are always to make the playoffs, win an EPC title and district gold," said head coach Nick D'Amico. "Our young players will need to step up with the

guidance of the returning seniors from last year's district championship team."

Freedom finished 16-10 a year ago and return a solid core to this year's group including Sr. Derek Bast 3B, Sr. C Adam Throne, Sr. Cameron Biery 2B, Sr. Caleb Husser, Sr. Sandy Hernandez SS, Sr. Spencer LaRiviere OF, Sr. Joey Stofanek, Sr. Dylann Paar SS, Sr. Matthew Schaeffer OF, Jr. OF-1B-P Nick Stannard and Jr. Conor Howland OF-P.

Other notables on the roster that will contribute include Jr. Alec Bove, Jr. Cade Horwath, Jr. Jimmy Moniz, Jr. Preston Mestric P-OF,

Jr. Patrick Gill OF, Soph. Nate Mikulski OF-P-1B, Soph. Garrett Glick SS-2B and Fr. Andres Suarez C.

With the Pates having an entirely new pitching staff this season, D'Amico knows how far the team sinks or swims could depend on the quality of their arms.

"Our team strengths will be defense," D'Amico said. "Our pitching is unproven and will need to step up, as we lost all starting pitchers from last year's team. We have a lot of unproven talent and need to see how they will handle the pressure of varsity baseball."

## LHS looks to be back in contention

BY PETER CAR  
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If Andy Pitsilos is the coach of Liberty's baseball program the goals will never change. The Hurricanes are coming off a 17-6 campaign last season, which saw them make a run to the District 11 6A semifinals. Pitsilos expects the team to be in similar position this spring, as the Hurricanes hope to continue to reload.

"Our outlook for the team and our goals never change," Pitsilos said. "We want to win our division, then the

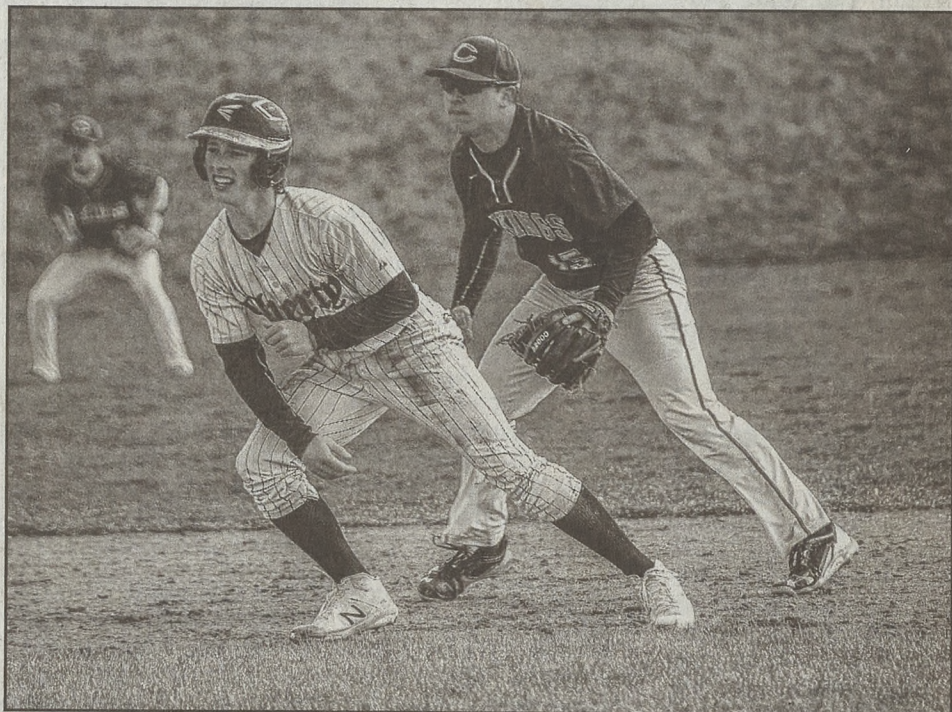
league, and then the district title and compete in states. With the team we have all of our goals can be achieved."

Returning players for the 'Canes include Ben Piripavel, Sr., OF; Caleb Tereska, Sr., OF; Marcus Nales, Sr., SS; Jack Borneman, Sr., C; Caleb Gross, Sr., P/2B; Ben Kraihanzel, Sr., P; Todd Erney, Sr., 3B/P; Jack Lees, Sr., 1B; Antonio Zabala, Sr., OF; Chase Marsteller, Sr., C; Gabe Rodriguez, Sr., P; Ryan Diehl, Sr., P and Jack Rothenhausler, So., P.

Newcomers to the

varsity fold are Brayden D'Amico, So., IF; Steven Super, Jr., P/1B; Andrew Walker, Jr., 3B/P; Ben Markovich, Sr., P; Ryan Pysher, Jr., 3B/C; Lukas Azzati, Jr., P/IF and Matt Klipple, Jr., Util.

"We need to work hard and stay focused," said Pitsilos. "We have a deep pitching staff, experience, speed and very smart baseball players. We can't get complacent or ahead of ourselves. There are a number of very good teams in the EPC, so winning is going to be a challenge."



PRESS FILE PHOTO

Ben Piripavel returns for the Hurricanes this year.

## Young Hawks team looking to battle

BY PETER CAR  
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Youth will be a theme for Bethlehem Catholic's baseball team this season, but head coach Mike Grasso won't let that stop the Hawks from pursuing their goals this season.

Grasso, who enters his 32nd season, is always optimistic about his team's chances.

"You know we have a young team and a young group of pitchers," he said, "but these kids are working hard and I'm sure that they're going to fight to be very competitive."

Becahi finished 8-13 a year ago and bring a solid core from last year's team including: Sr. OF-P Anthony Indelicato; Sr. OF-P Joe Peacock; Sr. INF Nate Petke; Sr. INF Matt Moyer; Sr. OF Cole Roche; Sr. OF Kevin Yusella; Sr. INF-OF Gabriel Jauregui; Jr. INF-P Matt Caricari; Jr.

OF-P David Ciaccio; Jr. OF-P Mike Luchetta; Jr. INF-P John O'Connor; Jr. OF-C Anthony Aach; So. C Matt Martinez and So. INF-P Hunter Cantwell.

With Indelicato being the lone pitcher returning from last year, Grasso knows he'll need other arms to emerge if the team will compete with the likes of a loaded Liberty team, defending district champion Freedom and an always tough Easton squad in their own division.

"We know it's a very difficult division," said Grasso. "Liberty has a ton of pitchers back and Freedom and Easton are always tough. We need our pitching staff to develop because in high school baseball, that's the most important thing. I think we'll be fine defensively, but we'll need to score runs and get better on the mound."



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## BSC U-13 Team Wins Tourney

The Bethlehem Soccer Club's U-13 boys team, coached by Bill Horvath and Joe Russo, won the Penn FC Spring Warmup Tournament in Harrisburg over St. Patrick's Day weekend. Members of the team are: back row (left to right) - Bill Horvath (coach), Matthew Fisher, Tanner Horvath, Joey Russo, Alex Wilby, Travis Daley, Naseem Sith, Liam Hosfeld and Joe Russo (coach); front row - Derek Reusser, Brady Sutton, Igor Silve, Luke Appleman, Benny Goodrich, Theodore Deskevich, Liam Burke, Corey James, Adam Unangst and Hunter Zellers.

## BETHLEHEM SOCCER CLUB TRAVEL SIGNUPS

Bethlehem Soccer Club 2019-20 travel tryout registration is now open.

You must register online at [bethlehemsoccerclub.org](http://bethlehemsoccerclub.org) prior to attending tryouts.

All dates are subject to change:

At Moravian Acade-

my Glasser Field:

U17/18 boys, tryout 1, 4/27 4:30-6 p.m. Fall tryout in October.

U14 boys (A/B teams), 4/22 current players, 4/27 open tryout, 6 p.m.

Tryouts to be held at First Responders Field (Airport Rd):

U13 boys 4/19 6:30

p.m. Call back/rain date 4/29

U12/U13 girls 4/23 5:30-7 p.m. Call back/rain 4/25

U12 boys 4/23 5-6:30 p.m. Call back/rain 4/25

U11 boys 4/28 2 p.m.

Call back/rain 4/29 5:30 p.m.

U10/11 girls 4/22 6-7

p.m. Call back/rain 4/24

U10 boys 4/28 2-3 p.m.

Call back/rain 4/29 5:30 p.m.

U9 girls 4/23 6:15-7:30

p.m. Call back/rain 4/25

U9 boys 4/23 6-7:30 p.m.

Call back/rain 4/25 6 p.m.

## STEEL FALL 1-0

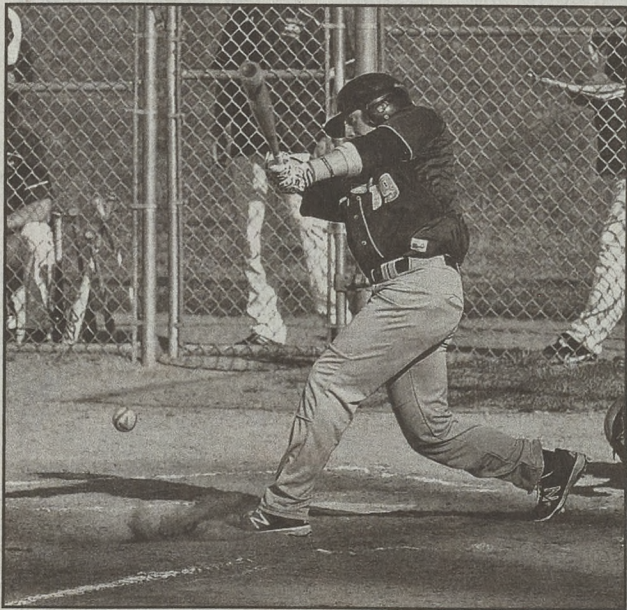
Memphis 901 FC's Rashawn Dally scored the lone goal of the match in a 1-0 win over Bethlehem Steel FC.

Bethlehem Steel recorded their highest possession percentage (60.5%) in a match since September 2, 2018 versus Penn FC (60.7%).

Philadelphia Union players Mark McKenzie and Olivier Mbaizo made their first Steel starts of the 2019 season.

Paris and Michee Ngalina played their first minutes for Steel FC this season.

Steel FC next host Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC on March 30.



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Among those back for the Hawks this season includes Nate Petke.

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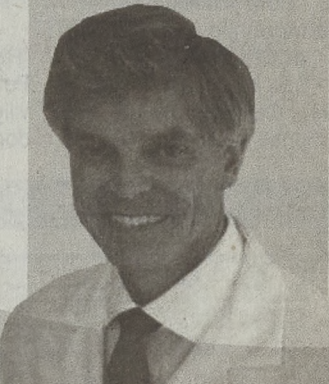
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# Via games set to take place Saturday

BY CHUCK HIXSON  
Special to the Press

The 44th Annual Via All-Star Basketball Classic is slated for Saturday, March 30, at Northampton Community College.

The event features four games involving all-star senior players from all parts of the Lehigh Valley.

The Via All-Star Classic raises funds to support Via of the Lehigh Valley's services for children and adults with disabilities, showcases the basketball talents of area student athletes, and educates attendees about Via and the need for community support through financial, partnership and advocacy support.

The event included a Hall of Fame Clinic on March 17 and the Via All-Star Banquet on Wednesday, March 27, at Sands event Center.

For more information about the clinic, banquet or clinics for athletes with special needs that run November through March, go to [www.vianet.org](http://www.vianet.org).

This year's Super Saturday games will begin at 10:30 a.m. with North vs. South girls, followed by the North vs. South boys at noon. The Special Olympics shoots out is slated for 1:30 p.m. before West vs. East girls (2 p.m.) and boys (3:30 p.m.) cap the event.

The following are rosters for this year's Via All-Star teams:

## BOYS North

Head Coach: Mark Dudley (Pocono Mt. East)

Isa Abu (East Stroudsburg No.), Jeremiah Anderson (East Stroudsburg So.), Dylan Dembinski (Notre Dame of ES), Winston Edwards (Pocono Mountain East), Eddie Germosan (Pocono Mountain West), Triston Hillman (Pocono Mountain East), Ben Holland (Bangor), Dylan Parris (Notre Dame ES), Ishyne Pilgrim (Pocono Mountain West), Mike Strouse (Stroudsburg), Tashan Thompson (Pocono Mountain East),

Paulo Villalona (Notre Dame ES).

## South

Head Coach: Steve Yoder (Emmaus)

Sean Cyphers (Saucon Valley), Bryce Diehl (Emmaus), Alfolabi Jemi-Alade (Liberty), Justin Paz (Bethlehem Catholic), Zach Sabol (Emmaus), Quinn Schmidt (So. Lehigh), William Slippe (Liberty), Sean Snyder (Salisbury), Mark Swedberg (Emmaus), Trey Trevis (So. Lehigh), Brad Yeahl (Saucon Valley), Kyle Young (Bethlehem Catholic).

## West

Head Coach: Jeff Miller (No. Lehigh)

Nate Dougherty (Palmerton), Brandon Hess (No. Lehigh), Addison Howland (Lehigh), Preston Kemery (No. Lehigh), Gabe Khalife (Parkland), Chad Kratzer (Central Catholic), Rick Melosky (Whitehall), Logan Rindock (Parkland), Justin Rockmore (Executive Education Academy), Devin Thomas (Northwestern), Jason White (Executive Education Academy), Sam Yadush (Northwestern).

## East

Head Coach: Dave Arndt (Nazareth)

Flippo Baldo (Notre Dame GP), Noah Briggs (Nazareth), Peter Charadia (Moravian Academy), Jaden Cunningham (Notre Dame GP), Chevon Foreman (Easton), Alain Gonda (Phillipsburg), Jordan Holmqvist (Moravian Academy), Richie Manigault (Phillipsburg), Stephon Sheard (Nazareth), Kenyon Sheard (Nazareth), Reuben Soto (Freedom), Robbie Swaitek (Wilson).

## GIRLS North

Head Coach: Adriana Johnson (Pocono Mountain East)

Macy Barryman (Pocono Mt. East), Jani Bostic (East Stroudsburg So.), Alexa Clark (Pleasant Valley), Emily LaBar (Bangor), Asiah Leonard (Pocono

Mt. West), Deyana Marshall (Pocono Mt. West), Kate Passmore (Pocono Mt. East), Neva Richard (Pocono Mt. East), Madison Rosenberg (Pleasant Valley), Ashley Schwenk (Pleasant Valley), Regan Stoddard (East Stroudsburg No.), Juanita Wiggins (Pocono Mountain West).

## South

Head Coach: Cathy Piston (Dieruff)

Briana Barnard (Bethlehem Catholic), Ellie Cassel (So. Lehigh), Anne Glowacki (Emmaus), Erica Holben (Salisbury), Bridget MacDonald (Liberty), Taliah Peterson (Bethlehem Catholic), Alyssa Rice (So. Lehigh), Kiele Riefenstahl (Saucon Valley), Solei Rodriguez (Bethlehem Catholic), Ramsey Rodriguez (Lincoln Leadership Academy), Makenzi Rupp (Dieruff), Olivia Snyder (So. Lehigh), Asha Talib (Allen).

## West

Head Coach: Chris Deutsch (Northwestern)

Sage Christopher (Northwestern), Claire Courter (Parkland), Jessica Davis (Central Catholic), Baylee Guedes (Palmerton), Victoria Keenan (Northampton), Emily Miller (Lehigh), Jenna Rogers (Northampton), Kaitlyn Rothwell (Parkland), Jada Saeger (No. Lehigh), Taryn Sayre (Whitehall), Cassidy Stoudt (Parkland), Elizabeth Szmigel (Central Catholic).

## East

Head Coach: Rich Bickert (Nazareth)

Mary Kate Altimore (Notre Dame GP), Madison Amy (Nazareth), Morgan Amy (Nazareth), Lauren Flynn (Phillipsburg), Sydney Gillen (Wilson), Yasmine Herrera (Freedom), Addie Morse (Easton), Kelly O'Brien (Pen Argyl), Rachel Sanchez (Freedom), Tori Spugnardi (Moravian Academy), Abby Wachter (Notre Dame GP), Ashely Warner (Phillipsburg), Jaime Younkin (Nazareth).



PRESS PHOTO BY NANCY SCHOLZ

Joseph Deluca and the Freedom ice hockey team fell to Northampton in the playoffs.

## Pates hockey team falls in playoffs

BY JEFF MOELLER

Special to the Press

Freedom's hockey team had a momentous season in the Lehigh Valley Scholastic Hockey League (LVSHL), going undefeated during the regular season with a 15-0-1 mark while scoring 133 goals and allowing just 17.

Unfortunately, it didn't end well for the Patriots, as they lost to Northampton, 7-4, in a one-game playoff in the opening round of the LVSHL postseason.

Freedom had a 4-4 tie with Phillipsburg in their second-to-last regular season game.

"When you're consistently winning, there is going to come a time when you're going to lose," said Freedom head coach Mike Kearns. "But all season long we took it one game at a time. Maybe some complacency kicked it late in the season."

"It (playoff game) is one game we would like to have back. I think our

special teams hurt us."

In a 7-4 loss to Northampton, Freedom uncharacteristically gave up a power play goal and two short-handed goals.

"Giving up the short-handed goals hurt us," added Kearns. "We just weren't in sync. Give Northampton credit. They came at us hard from the start."

Despite the early exit, Kearns liked what he saw.

"I think it was a pretty successful season for us," he said. "We were the number-one team throughout the regular season. We also managed to snap Parkland's

long, undefeated regular season streak (115 games) and beat them twice.

"We played Father Judge from Philadelphia, and we fared pretty well against them. We were happy with the progress we made during the season."

Luke Day, who had a league-leading 40 goals

and 24 assists for 64 points, and goalie Josh Millen, who recorded 13 wins, will be among six seniors leaving the program.

"We have a good amount of players leaving," said Kearns. "We'll have a couple of juniors back for leadership and we'll also have some freshmen back."

"When I looked at the leading scorers in the league, 10 of them are graduating."

The Patriots could be faced with a challenge, as they didn't have a JV team last season. Kearns sees plenty of transition with his team and others next winter.

"I'm not sure how we are going to handle that (JV team) next year," he said. "It is too early to tell."

"But I think there will be a lot of parody in the league next year. There probably won't be one or two dominant teams. We'll have to see how things look for us."

## Heidecker is new FHS track coach

BY KATIE MCDONALD

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Freedom's track and field team has a new head coach, former North Hunterdon High School (Annandale, N.J.) coach Charlie Heidecker.

"I was so lucky that the head coach position was open at Freedom. I interviewed with Nate Stannard, and he offered me the job," said Heidecker. "Everyone at Freedom has just been the best to me. I was so happy I could leave NHHS in a positive situation and land at such a welcoming place as Freedom where I could still coach."

Before Heidecker made the decision to leave North Hunterdon, he wanted to make sure a solid staff would remain there but then realized he still wanted to coach.

"I wanted to remain in coaching. I have helped out the past two seasons with the football team at Freedom thanks to my good friend and head coach Jason Roder. He is the one that told me he thought Freedom would need a head coach for spring track," Heidecker said. "As I learned about the position, my biggest concern in becoming the head coach at Freedom was finding assistant coaches. I am extremely fortunate that nearly the entire coaching staff has returned from last year. When I heard they were back, I didn't have any



PRESS PHOTO BY KATIE MCDONALD

Shannon Connelly (Freedom, left) and Raleigh Cummings (Becahi, right) race in the hurdles during Monday afternoon's track and field meet. Look for results and a track update in next week's edition of the Press.

more questions."

Freedom cross country coach Bob Thear is returning for distance, Ben Reph is in charge of throwers, Scott Goodwin is on pole vault, Jeremy Efthimiades is on jumps, and Tony Flatts and Adam Syty are sprints and hurdles.

Heidecker has coached a combination of football, wrestling and track for 40 years, played football at Moravian College, and played football and ran track at Liberty High School.

"I hope to bring organization and continuity to the program. I know we've had a few coaching changes in recent years. I'd like to let the kids know that we don't plan on being at Freedom for a year or so. If I am able,

I want to be here to see our freshmen graduate. At least, that's my plan," said Heidecker. "More than that, I know our assistant coaches will bring energy and excitement to help our kids realize what our team and individuals can achieve. I want the kids to know that if all of us work hard, we can get better."

The Patriots have 68 girls and 57 boys on their roster so far.

"The coaches and I are extremely pleased," Heidecker said. "We've had to spend much of the time this first week inside but the kids have taken it right in stride and are putting up a really good effort each day at practice. All in all, I don't think I could ask for more."

## DARTS

### Suburban Dart League

#### Standings

St. Paul's	43	23	.652
Star of Beth	46	26	.639
Bath Luth	42	27	.609
Dryland	40	32	.556
Emmanuel	34	38	.472
Christ UCC	34	38	.472
Ebenezer	34	38	.472
Light of Christ	30	39	.435
Salem UCC	29	40	.420
Farmersville	28	41	.406
St. Stephen's	27	45	.375

#### Emmanuel at Bath Luth

(10-5, 3-2, 3-1)

BL - Dan Stillwell 6-13, Bob Meixsell, Jordan Meixsell, Wendy Yacone 5-11, Kevin Beichy HR.

Em - Chuck McKenzie 5-11, Jeremiah Amiani 4-12.

Ebenezer (5-1, 8-2) at Dry-

land (5-4)

Eb - Roman Luto 7-12, Vick Pacchioni 6-14, Steve Guentass 5-12, Frank Torvati 2HR, Carol Voortman HR.

D - Butch Silfies 5-12, Jim Goldman 4-11 HR, Bernie Yurko, Dave Crouthamel 3-9.

Star of Beth (4-2, 10-2, 6-5) at St. Stephen's

SB - Bryan Frankenfield, Kyle Taylor, Austin Hoffert 7-14, Jason Biggs 5-13, Tyler Frankenfield 5-14.

SS - Ed Wychock 5-13.

Farmersville (6-3, 5-3 14in) at Christ UCC (5-4)

F - Ben Kerbaugh 6-11 2HR, Keith Campbell 6-13, Kyle Campbell 5-13.

C - Garry Hunsicker 6-12, Dave Shaver 5-13.

Salem UCC (2-0, 3-0) at St. Paul's (5-4)

S - Fred Tonick 7-12, Rachel Krause 4-10.

SP - Joe Stevko 6-12, Jason Gross 5-13.

Bye - Light of Christ

Bethlehem Inter-Church

Dart Baseball league

Standings Week 2-10

Bethany UCC	21	6	.778
College Hill	17	10	.630
Holy Cross	15	12	.556
East Hills	13	11	.542
First UCC	14	13	.519
St. Peters	14	13	.519
WS Edgeboro	15	15	.500
Fritz Wesleyan	13	14	.481
*Star (HT)	14	16	.467
Christ Lutheran	11	16	.407
Christ UCC	11	16	.407
Trinity UCC	7	14	.333
Schoenersville	8	16	.333

RESULTS 3/18

Bethany UCC at

St. Peters 6-2, 1-0, 5-0

Jeff Walczel 7-14 and Marlin Bozes 4-11 for Bethany UCC.

Christ UCC at Trinity UCC

4-3, 1-1, 1-2

Bruce Laudenslager and Bob Mease each 4-11 for Trinity UCC.

Schoenersville at College

Hill 0-8, 3-6, 0-6

Ray Walker 6-14 and Dennis Peiffer 5-13 for Schoeners-

ville; Jack Thomas and Brandon Deutsch each 5-8 for Col-

lege Hill.

First UCC at Star (HT) 6-5,

1-0, 4-7

Lisa Fenon 4-7 GW RBI in

9th inning of Gm2 for First

UCC; Barry Coles 5-10 for

Star (HT).

Christ Lutheran at WS

Edgeboro 0-3, 5-2, 4-3

Bob Filaseta 5-12 for Christ

Lutheran; Nelson Hoff 5-11

and Andrew Jackman hit his

first career HR for WS Edge-

boro.

Fritz Wesleyan at East Hills

0-11, 2-3, 4-2

Matt Balikian 8-13 and Bob

Carl 4-9 for Fritz Wesleyan;

Frank Pavlov 6-13, Bob Baer

6-14, Greg Costa 4-9 and

Carlos Ramirez 3-7 for East

Hills.

Holy Cross at Christ Luth

(from 1/7) 2-1, 9-2, 2-6

Bryan Himmelmwright 9-13

and Lyn Stryker 8-16 for Holy

Cross

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Meeting on Thursday, April 11,

(7:30 p.m. at Trinity UCC).



# NASCAR THIS WEEK

## SPEED FREAKS

A few questions we had to ask ourselves

**For what it's worth, Kez is now at 69 total NASCAR wins over the three national series. Does he reach 100?**

**GODSPEAK:** He will end up with about 60 Cup Series wins, which will get him over the 100 hump.

**KEN'S CALL:** Sixty-nine is a big number of wins historically. Kyle Busch makes it look small, though. Yes, Kez makes it to 100 because it'll eventually become a goal.

**Does dominating Martinsville in such a manner mean anything for Kez?**

**GODSPEAK:** Normally, I would say no, but in this case, yes. His pit crew was flawless. They all must feel like Superman. Can a lug nut turn into kryptonite?

**KEN'S CALL:** Nope. That's the short answer. The long answer? If they reopen North Wilkesboro, he's the current favorite. So, back to my original answer.

## FEUD OF THE WEEK

### ARIC ALMIROLA VS. KYLE BUSCH

**BUSCH:** Almirola said he was checking up on a car ahead of him and was "banzai'd" by Busch in Turn 3 and "about wiped me out."

**GODWIN KELLY'S TAKE:** Just one of them racin' deals. "I lost 10 or 15 spots and then we fought track position the rest of the day," Almirola said. "It was just a long, long, tough day."

## GODWIN'S PICKS FOR TEXAS

**WINNER:** Ryan Blaney

**REST OF TOP 5:** Joey Logano, Kevin Harvick, Chase Elliott, Kyle Busch

**FIRST ONE OUT:** Chris Buescher

**DARK HORSE:** Austin Dillon

**DON'T BE SURPRISED IF:**

Blaney's string of top-five finishes, now at three, is crowned by a Lone Star State victory.

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## 2019 CUP SERIES SCHEDULE AND WINNERS

**Feb. 10:** Clash at Daytona (Jimmie Johnson)

**Feb. 17:** Daytona 500 (Denny Hamlin)

**Feb. 24:** Folds of Honor 500 at Atlanta (Brad Keselowski)

**March 3:** Pennzoil 400 at Las Vegas (Joey Logano)

**March 10:** TicketGuardian 500 at Phoenix (Kyle Busch)

**March 17:** Auto Club 400 at Fontana (Kyle Busch)

**March 24:** STP 500 at Martinsville (Brad Keselowski)

**March 31:** O'Reilly Auto Parts 500 at Texas

**April 7:** Food City 500 at Bristol

**April 13:** Toyota Owners 400 at Richmond

**April 28:** Geico 500 at Talladega

**May 5:** Dover 400

**May 11:** Kansas 400

**May 18:** All-Star Race at Charlotte

**May 26:** Coca-Cola 600 at Charlotte

**June 2:** Pocono 400

**June 9:** FireKeepers Casino 400 at Michigan

**June 23:** Toyota/Save Mart 350 at Sonoma

**June 30:** Overton's 400 at Chicagoland

**July 6:** Coke Zero 400 at Daytona

**July 13:** Quaker State 400 at Kentucky

**July 21:** Foxwoods 301 at New Hampshire

**July 28:** Gander Outdoors 400 at Pocono

**Aug. 4:** Go Bowling at Watkins Glen

**Aug. 11:** Consumers Energy 400 at Michigan

**Aug. 17:** Bass Pro Shops NRA Night Race at Bristol

**Sept. 1:** Southern 500 at Darlington

**Sept. 8:** Brickyard 400 at Indianapolis

## QUESTIONS & ATTITUDE

Compelling questions ... and maybe a few actual answers

### Is it a two-team pennant race?

So far, yes, Roger Penske and Joe Gibbs are holding all the cards and therefore all the trophies. The Stewart-Haas guys are close enough to win, and the Ganassi guys are OK, but Rick Hendrick's team — aside from a couple of good Chase Elliott efforts — is off the rails again after a subpar 2018. Such things can become entrenched, so a soon-as-possible turnaround is becoming very necessary.

### Did someone mention Kyle Petty?

Yep, Brad Keselowski's 446 laps led at Martinsville was the most since Kyle led 484 at Rockingham in 1992. It seems Kyle has been a NASCAR television personality forever, so some young folks might not know he had a decent run in the early-'90s for owner Felix Sabates — six of his eight career wins and two fifth-place finishes in the points standings. Rockingham was practically his playground for a while. In six races there from 1990-92, he had five poles and three wins.

— Ken Willis, [ken.willis@news-jrnl.com](mailto:ken.willis@news-jrnl.com)

## NASCAR CUP STANDINGS

1. Kyle Busch	273
2. Denny Hamlin	252
3. Kevin Harvick	248
4. Joey Logano	245
5. Brad Keselowski	236
6. Aric Almirola	215
7. Martin Truex Jr.	207
8. Ryan Blaney	203
9. Chase Elliott	186
10. Kurt Busch	185
11. Kyle Larson	182
12. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	158
13. Clint Bowyer	157
14. Erik Jones	140
15. Jimmie Johnson	134
16. Daniel Suarez	134
17. Alex Bowman	133
18. Austin Dillon	130
19. Ryan Newman	121
20. Paul Menard	120

## WHAT'S ON TAP

(All times are Eastern)

**CUP SERIES:** O'Reilly Auto Parts 500

**SITE:** Texas Motor Speedway (1.5-mile quad-oval)

**SCHEDULE:** Friday, practice (Fox Sports 1, 3 p.m.), qualifying (Fox Sports 1, 7:30 p.m.). Saturday, practice (Fox Sports 1, 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.), Sunday, race (Fox, coverage begins at 2:30 p.m., racing at 3 p.m.)

**XFINITY:** My Bariatric Solutions 300

**SITE:** Texas Motor Speedway

**SCHEDULE:** Friday, practice (Fox Sports 1, 4 p.m. and 6 p.m.). Saturday, qualifying (Fox Sports 1, 10 a.m.), race (Fox Sports 1, 1 p.m.)

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**SITE:** Texas Motor Speedway

**TV SCHEDULE:** Friday, qualifying (Fox Sports 1, 5 p.m.), race (Fox Sports 1, 9 p.m.)

**Sept. 15:** South Point 400 at Las Vegas

**Sept. 21:** Federated Auto Parts 400 at Richmond

**Sept. 29:** Bank of America 500k at Charlotte

**Oct. 6:** Delaware 400 at Dover

**Oct. 13:** 1000Bulbs.com 500 Talladega

**Oct. 20:** Hollywood Casino 400 at Kansas

**Oct. 27:** First Data 500 at Martinsville

**Nov. 3:** AAA Texas 500

**Nov. 10:** Can-Am 500k at Phoenix

**Nov. 17:** Ford EcoBoost 400 at Homestead-Miami

# TEXAS

## THREE THINGS TO WATCH



**Ryan Blaney is no stranger to Victory Lane. He appears ready to become Team Penske's third winning driver this season.** [AP/CHUCK BURTON]

### 1. Gaining momentum

Ryan Blaney has scored three consecutive top-five finishes in his No. 12 Team Penske Ford. His teammates Brad Keselowski and Joey Logano have scored wins this season. "We're right there," Blaney said. "We just need a little bit more. It's so hard to win these races. You've got to do everything perfect ... you eventually try to put one of these things here together and try to figure out how to break through and get it done."

### 2. Bowyer's speedometer

Clint Bowyer was an early favorite to win at Martinsville. Instead, he took himself out of the running with two costly pit-road speeding penalties. He fought back twice to score a seventh-place finish. "I guess we need to get our stuff together

on being on the same page with that pit road speed," Bowyer said. "It's such an important thing and such a big part of this style of racing, where track position is everything."

### 3. Lone Star stat

If you look at the past 10 years of racing at Texas Motor Speedway, from 2009 through 2018, you will find five former winners, including three former champions, who have retired from big-league racing. The list includes Jeff Gordon, Matt Kenseth, Tony Stewart, Greg Biffle and Carl Edwards, who abruptly left NASCAR following the 2016 season. All were replaced by 20-something drivers.

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# MARTINSVILLE

## THREE THINGS WE LEARNED

### 1. Perfect race

Brad Keselowski darn near ran the perfect race at Martinsville. He won all stages and led 446 of 500 laps. He was passed only once under green, by Chase Elliott. His pit crew was flawless. "The stats maybe look a little bit more dominant than I think it really was," Keselowski said.

### 2. Leading laps

NASCAR's Most Popular Driver Chase Elliott got the crowd at Martinsville to its feet when he took the lead for the first time this season. He led 49 laps and finished second. "There was a little advantage to being out front and being able to work traffic your way," Elliott said.

### 3. Jimmie, what?

Jimmie Johnson, who has scored nine wins at Martinsville during his career,



**Brad Keselowski burns down his back tires after a near-perfect run at Martinsville.** [AP/STEVE HELBER]

was never a factor Sunday. The seven-time Cup Series champion finished 24th, two laps down to the leaders. In six starts this season, Johnson has finished 17th or worse four times. No top-five finishes. Yikes.

— Godwin Kelly, [godwin.kelly@news-jrnl.com](mailto:godwin.kelly@news-jrnl.com)

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## Lehigh Valley Reads

## \$2.5M literacy campaign under way

BY STEPHEN ALTHOUSE  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Hat, cat, that, fat, sat, splat.

If this sounds like a childish collection of words, that's because it is. For a youngster learning to embrace the majesty of reading, however, these simple words can start a lifetime love affair with education.

A new literacy campaign wants to ensure that all Lehigh Valley students read and read well – or what is called “grade level,” – by the end of third grade by 2025.

The campaign is called Lehigh Valley Reads and it's sponsored by the United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley and WLVT-TV. During a news conference promoting the initiative March 1 at Donegal ES in Bethlehem, the program was portrayed as a catalyst for a better quality of life.

“We think it is a lofty goal,” said Jill Pereira, vice president of education and impact at the United Way. “This program will move the needle on third grade reading and the sky is the limit.”

Officially the program has six initiatives:

- Early Childhood Education and School Readiness
- Trauma Informed Schools



PRESS PHOTOS BY STEPHEN ALTHOUSE

Dr. Joseph Roy, superintendent of the Bethlehem Area School District, reads the book “Hop on Pop” to children during a news conference announcing the Lehigh Valley Reads literacy program March 1 at Donegal ES.

- Chronic Absenteeism and Every Day Attendance
  - Community Schools
  - Summer Learning and Fighting the Summer Slide
  - Evidence-based Literacy Instruction in the Classroom
- Lehigh Valley Reads officials said the half-dozen initiatives will be implemented in partnership with three primary audiences: school district and educators, parents and families and community members and coalition



Jill Pereira, vice president of education and impact at the United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley, said Lehigh Valley Reads “will move the needle” on reading.

partners.

One of the 17 Lehigh Valley school districts “engaging” with the program is the Bethlehem Area School District.

Promoting early literacy is “generational and mission-driven work,” according to Dr. Joseph Roy, superintendent of BASD, who spoke at the news conference. “We are here for the common good.”

That “common good” means helping the poor. Nearly 7,000 babies are born in the Lehigh Valley each year and half live in low-income families, which makes them vulnerable to being “not ready” to enter kindergarten “socially, emotionally or cognitively,” according to Lehigh Valley Reads documents.

In explaining how children actually learn to read, program officials said children begin learning to read from birth through the

third grade. After that point, students “read to learn.” Hence, third grade reading proficiency is the most important indicator of high school graduation and career success.

To augment their case, Lehigh Valley Reads said research indicates that “children who don’t read proficiently by fourth grade are four times more likely to drop out of school.”

For example, last year about one in three, or 35 percent of Lehigh Valley fourth graders, entered the classroom unable to read on grade level. In some schools across the region, that number is higher.

The program is funded by a UWGLV five-year, \$2.5 million Federal Full Service Community School grant, as well as money from the Chan-Zuckerberg Initiative and Provident Bank Foundation.

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## April 4 to 7

Freedom HS: “Anything Goes,” 7 p.m. April 4, 5, 6, 7; and 2 p.m. April 7. 3149 Chester Ave. Tickets: visit [www.showtix4u.com/events/14581](http://www.showtix4u.com/events/14581) or visit <http://fstheatrecompany.com>. For assistance, special needs seating, and box office hours, call 610-867-6630.

## April 5 through 13

Bethlehem Catholic HS: “Meet Me in St. Louis,” 7 p.m. April 5, 6, 12, 13; 3 p.m. April 7; Bethlehem Catholic HS auditorium, 2133 Madison Ave. Tickets: visit <http://bit.ly/becatheater> (seat reservation) or call 610-866-0791; pickup at door one hour prior to showtime if available.

## April 11 through 13

Liberty HS: Disney’s “Beauty and the Beast,” 7 p.m. April 11, 12, 13; 2 p.m. April 13. Liberty HS auditorium, 1115 Linden St. Tickets, visit: [www.showtix4u.com/events/15435](http://www.showtix4u.com/events/15435) or call 888-967-8167.

## April 12 through 14

Notre Dame H.S.: “Thoroughly Modern Millie,” 7 p.m. April 12, 13; 2 p.m. April 14. 3417 Church Road, Easton. Tickets: visit [www.showtix4u.com/events/116073](http://www.showtix4u.com/events/116073); or visit [www.ndcrusaders.org](http://www.ndcrusaders.org).

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## LENT/EASTER HAPPENINGS

## Friday, March 22

Fish fry supper, raffles, Treasures of Russia boutique. Eat in or take out. 4 to 6:30 p.m. St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church, 980 Bridge Path Road. Visit [www.facebook.com/stnicholasoca/](http://www.facebook.com/stnicholasoca/) or call 610-867-0402.

## Saturday, March 30

Easter Egg hunt and visit from the Easter Bunny, light refreshments, children’s activities. Cost; must register in advance. Hanover Township Community Center, Northampton County, 3660 Jacksonville Road. Call 610-317-8701 or visit <http://hanovercommunitycenter.com/>.

Celtic Spirituality Night, 5 to 6 p.m. Cathedral Church of the Nativity, 321 Wyandotte St. Call 610-865-0727 or visit [www.nativitycathedral.org/worship/celtic/](http://www.nativitycathedral.org/worship/celtic/).

## Wednesday, April 3

Compline - worship, 9 p.m. Cathedral Church of the Nativity, 321 Wyandotte St. Call 610-865-0727 or visit <http://www.nativitycathedral.org/worship/music/>.

## Friday, April 5

Fish fry supper, raffles, Treasures of Russia boutique. Eat in or take out. 4 to 6:30 p.m. St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church, 980 Bridge Path Road. Visit [www.facebook.com/stnicholasoca/](http://www.facebook.com/stnicholasoca/) or call 610-867-0402.

## Thursday, April 11

Fish fry dinner, 5 to 7 p.m. St. Andrew’s Episcopal, 1900 Pennsylvania Ave. Call 610 865-3603. Visit <http://standrewsbethlehem.org>.

## Friday, April 12

Easter Egg hunt, Easter Bunny visit, light refreshments, activities. Bring an Easter basket. Bethlehem Township residents: free. 6 p.m. Rain date: April 19. Bethlehem Township Community Center, 2900 Farmersville Road. Visit <http://www.bethlehemtowship.org/btcc/>.

## Saturday, April 13

Easter Egg hunt, The Bethlehem Bureau of Recreation’s Easter egg hunt, 10 a.m. Front lawn of Memorial Pool, Illick’s Mill Road. Residents and their children ages 3 through 8 only. Rain or shine. Information: call 610-865-7081.

## Friday, April 19

Fish fry supper, raffles, Treasures of Russia boutique. Eat in or take out. 4 to 6:30 p.m. St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church, 980 Bridge Path Road. Visit [www.facebook.com/stnicholasoca/](http://www.facebook.com/stnicholasoca/) or call 610-867-0402.

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**PRESS PHOTOS BY DOUGLAS GRAVES**  
**Mary Etta Ray Smith** and Judith Alexander receive recognition for their "commitment and service in the Lehigh Valley."



**Northampton County Executive Lamont McClure** and Liberty HS Principal Harrison Bailey III share a table at the banquet.



**District Judge Nick Engleson** and his friend, Bethlehem City Councilwoman Olga Negrón, support the Freedom Fund participants.



**President of the Bethlehem Chapter of the NAACP Esther Lee** speaks about leadership: "We need to step up to the plate."



**Northampton County District Attorney Nuria DiLuzio** says, "I have been on the cutting edge of bail reform for a long time." She said excessive bail forces people to plead guilty to crimes just to get out of prison.



**Bethlehem Police Chief Mark DiLuzio** represents Mayor Bob Donchez at the Freedom Fund event. He recounts the legend of The Lone Ranger, who he said was based on the real life of escaped slave Bass Reeves, who was appointed a Deputy U.S. Marshall in Indian Territory, Oklahoma.



**State 191st Legislative District Representative Joanna E. McClinton** was the keynote speaker at the Freedom Fund event. McClinton is the first African-American to chair the House Democratic Caucus. "Women have been making a difference down the line of time! Women aren't finished making a difference!"



**Dieruff HS students Shavon Smith and Ade Conover** with Executive Education Charter School students Laila Grantham and Latrice Williamson.

## 'Women aren't finished making a difference!'

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The important leadership that women provide in the families, the churches, the community, and the general political life of the country was a repeated theme at the Bethlehem NAACP's 74th annual Freedom Fund Banquet Feb. 17. A second theme emphasized the need for greater racial parity in public service jobs and leadership positions.

The emphasis on leadership of women was on full display as the President of the Bethlehem Chapter of the NAACP, Esther Lee, presented awards to two leaders in the community recognizing their "commitment and service in the Lehigh Valley." Mary Etta Ray Smith and Judith Alexander both received plaques recognizing their service.

Northampton County District Attorney Nuria DiLuzio addressed the burgeoning issue of bail reform in the Lehigh Valley. "I have been on the cutting edge of bail reform for a long time," said DiLuzio. She said excessive bail forces people to plead guilty to crimes just to get out of prison.

She said more people are coming out of Northampton County Prison than are going into the prison.

Northampton County Executive Lamont McClure also hit on the issue of racial parity in his remarks; "It was remarkable to me when I became county executive how profoundly white our workforce is. Why shouldn't we have more variety in our county workforce?"

McClure said one of the measures he directed was to "get rid of the box" — the box on employment applications that asks about prior convictions. "If an applicant checked yes in that box, the application went straight into the trash can," he said.

"The county has good jobs with pensions and healthcare. If you know kids that [might qualify] send them on down."

Bethlehem Area School District Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy highlighted the high percentage of nonwhite students in his school district and the importance of public schools as one of the few places where people of different backgrounds routinely get together.

"The majority of students in our public schools are people of color," said Roy.



**Past President of the Pennsylvania NAACP Thomas Smith**, State Representative Steve Samuelson, and President of the J. F. Goodman Scholarship Fund Sam Burgess share a table at the Freedom Fund banquet.



**Bethlehem Area School District Dr. Joseph Roy** says it is important that the new students feel welcome to high school.

Roy commended the principal of Freedom HS for visiting the home of every incoming freshman. He said it is important that the new students feel welcome to high school.

He also commended Liberty HS special education teacher Robin Alozie for her work with potential "first generation college" girls.

Bethlehem Police Chief Mark DeLuzio recounted the progress of the Bethlehem Police Department in hiring ethnically diverse officers.

He said a former Tuskegee Airman, Elliot Blue, was the first black

officer in Bethlehem. DeLuzio recalled the service of other black officers; for example, Donald Johnson, who served in the 1960s. He remembered U.S. Army veteran Alfred Hughes, a police officer who patrolled the city's parks. He mentioned Officer Vivian Butts, the Police Department's first woman (also the first black woman) officer.

He said the current makeup of the Bethlehem Police Department includes four black officers, seven female officers, nine Hispanic officers and one Middle Eastern officer.

Esther Lee urged blacks to seek more leadership responsibility. "We need to step up to the plate." She also urged mothers to "stay home and raise your children."

On leadership, she said, "When something turns up, I do too." State Representative Steve Samuelson (D-135th) introduced the keynote speaker, but took the occasion to say, "We are living in historic times." He was referring to the five women who have announced that they are running for U.S. president.

State 191st Legislative

District Representative Joanna E. McClinton was the keynote speaker at the event at the Meadows in Hellertown. McClinton is the first African-American to chair the House Democratic Caucus. She was also the youngest woman ever elected to the Pennsylvania legislature.

McClinton soon had the audience in high gear; they cheered her on throughout her speech.

"Women have been making a difference down the line of time! Women aren't finished making a difference! Are you done!?"

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# Shamrocks on West Broad Street

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**PRESS PHOTO BY JANE KNOTEK**  
The Liberty HS Grenadier Band performs its signature piece, "Rule Britannia," as it progresses east on West Broad Street in the Celtic Cultural Association's Parade of Shamrocks on March 16.



**The Northeast MS Band**, whose uniforms are St. Patrick's Day celebration colors of green and white, marches east on Broad Street from 10th Avenue to the Hill-to-Hill bridge in the CCA Parade of Shamrocks.



**The Steel Fitness group** and a monster truck participates in Celtic Cultural Association's Parade of Shamrocks March 16.



**The Nazareth Brew Crew "Lucky Charms"** participate in the CCA March 16 Parade of Shamrocks in support of the American Cancer Society and similar organizations. The rainbow float is pulled by the J Dog Junk Removal and Hauling team of veterans and veteran and military family members.



**"Stepping to the Stars,"** the second place winner in the Celtic Cultural Association's Parade of Shamrocks, was presented by the Irish Stars Parker School of Dance from Hellertown. The shamrocks on the float are three-leaf clovers, not four-leaf "lucky" clovers.



**PRESS POTOS BY DANA GRUBB**  
James Ruhf, Greg Ross and Jim Propst of the City of Bethlehem Pipe Band perform "Wearing of the Green" and "Minstrel Boy" to open the flag raising ceremony.

## Bethlehem toasts the Irish

The City of Bethlehem held its annual St. Patrick's Day Flag Raising March 15, as the Irish flag was hoisted by Bethlehem businessman Neville Gardner. Members of the city of Bethlehem Pipe Band played Irish melodies, two members of the Liberty HS Grenadier Band performed "The Star Spangled Banner," and students at the O'Grady Quinlan Academy of Irish Dance high stepped to several Irish tunes on Payrow Plaza. Mayor Bob Donchez hosted the annual event, noting "Today we carry on the tradition of celebrating the Irish," and citing their accomplishments and participation in the community. Donchez also recognized Pipe Major James Ruhf, a participant in the annual event for 25 years, with an official proclamation making it 'James Ruhf Day' in Bethlehem.



**Mayor Bob Donchez** presents a proclamation to Pipe Major James Ruhf, which honored him for 25 years of participation at the annual flag raising and recognized it as 'James Ruhf Day' in the City of Bethlehem.



**Donegal Square owner Neville Gardner** does the honor of raising the Irish flag during the program.



**Liberty HS Grenadier Band members Grant Sedlock, a junior, and Nicholas Miravich, a senior, play the National Anthem.**



**Dancers from the O'Grady-Quinlan Academy of Irish Dance** step high during one of several numbers they performed.



## Liz Cartier

### Notre Dame HS

Grade: 12

**Family members:** Hiroe (Mom), Patrick (Dad), and four brothers

**Favorite subject(s):** English is my favorite subject because it gives me the space to challenge my creativity and improve my analytical skills. Establishing a level of individuality in my writing is important to me, and utilizing the subject helps me speak on matters as well as expanding my knowledge.

**Activities:** Student Council Executive Board Bonding Coordinator, Cheer Captain, Greenhouse Club, Key Club, Future Business Leaders of America, National Honor Society Secretary, Chairman of Sponsorships for the Mini-THON Committee

**Next steps:** Attending a four year college and majoring in Business Administration.

**Career goals:** My goal after college is to use my business degree for the benefit of others. I am not entirely sure what I would like to do in business, but I would love to make a creative space for others to grow and find themselves.

**Heroes:** My hero is definitely Rihanna. She has broken dozens of records with her music, cultivated her own makeup line and clothing company. She has continued to excel in all fields she explores, and I hope to follow her footsteps one day.

**Hobbies:** Dancing, practicing handlettering, and cooking for my family.

**Current job(s):** I currently work at Tucker, a cafe located in the Simon Silk Mill. The owners, Jason and Mel, have created a beautiful space to enjoy yourself and established a sense of community there as well. Nothing is better than interacting with customers on a first name basis, and being welcomed by a handsome dog at the door.

**Volunteer/community work:** Mini-THON, Miracle



League, Special Olympics, Safe Harbor

**Likes:** I love all genres of music, dogs, elephants, sleeping, working, The Office, and macaroni and cheese.

**Dislikes:** I dislike lazy people, not getting enough sleep, and bugs.

**Greatest accomplishment (so far):** My greatest accomplishment so far has to be this year's Mini-THON. We raised \$100,000 for kids who suffer from pediatric cancer. Being part of the difference and helping them in any way possible is the most rewarding feeling. After spending hours making sure the event ran smoothly and that everyone enjoyed themselves, it feels good to know that we did it all for the kids.

**Advice for peers:** Join clubs, run for office in your Student Council, and be active during your years of high school! It is an amazing way to connect with your environment, create new friends, build relationships with faculty, and most importantly – making unforgettable memories. You only have four short years of high school football games, late night runs to grub out on food, and engaging in the spirit of the school. Being active in your community helps build your confidence and enables you to fully enjoy the world around you.

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

## NORE DAME HS NOTES

By Liz Cartier

### Semester starts fast

Notre Dame kicked off the second semester with the 11th annual Mini-THON. The 24-hour dancing event reached a new high, raising over \$100,000 for kids diagnosed with pediatric cancer. Working with Four Diamonds, Notre Dame students help families and researchers with funding to find a cure for cancer. Three hundred-thirty kids participated in the event and spent the whole night dancing, listening to motivational speakers, and remembering those affected by the disease.

With the second semester quickly passing by, the Crusaders have been busy supporting all the spring sports teams. With the track and field, softball, baseball and tennis teams warming up for their seasons, the ND family is excited to support their teams and hope to see a District XI title among all spring sports.

The wrestling season ended with two state champions and six wrestlers qualifying for the state tournaments. Freshman Ryan Crookham and junior Andrew Cerniglia won gold at the state finals, breaking records and making history. The basketball season ended with boys falling short of the district title. The girls basketball season ended with a district title and making it to the second round of states. Junior Cassie Murphy reached her 1,000 points at the final game, earning a title on the Crusader gym walls.

Key Club has worked throughout the year with different service projects, focusing primarily on Peaceable Kingdom, an animal shelter in Whitehall. Students who participate in the club help spread the word about their projects and bring in items and awareness to help people and animals in need.

Junior Kelsey Preistaf went on a mission trip to Central Africa and used the soccer ball donations from the club to bring to children in Chad.

Senior Alex Garrido is currently raising money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS) and Notre Dame students have worn red on dress down days to support the cause. Alex speaks to cancer survivors and builds friendships through his service to LLS. He collaborated with the Mini-THON Committee and brought inspiring, vivacious speakers to motivate students to keep fighting for a cure.

Prom night is on May 17 at Hotel Bethlehem. Students are excited about the event and girls are already picking out prom dresses and hairstyles. Boys are preparing to ask out their dates to the event to enjoy the night filled with great food and music.



Cartier



PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

**Lt. Frank Cioffi** (Evangelos Hahalis) reviews a copy of the score from "Robin Hood" with the play's cast. Hahalis is a senior performing in his third high school production.

## Saucon Valley HS Theatre presents 'Curtains'

"Curtains," from the creators of "Cabaret" and "Chicago," is a musical comedy whodunit taking place in Boston 1959. Saucon Valley's theater program performed "Curtains" to enthusiastic audiences between March 14 and 17. The plot begins with a backstage murder mystery, when the lackluster star of

"Robin Hood of the Old West," Jessica Crenshaw, is murdered during the opening night curtain call. Arriving on the scene is police detective Lt. Frank Cioffi to investigate the crime. It turns out Cioffi himself is a big fan of theater. It's up to Cioffi to solve the murder as he interacts with the cast before the play can re-

open. The plot contains many twists, turns, laughs, romance and more. The production was produced and directed by Chad A. Miller, along with Kimberly Tassinaro (assistant director), Patrick Mertz (technical director), and Michael Marini (orchestra director).



**Daryl (Evan Honsel)** takes Niki (Madison Apple) captive at knifepoint. Niki is eventually saved from Daryl's clutches by Lt. Frank Cioffi. Honsel has been involved in every music ensemble offered at SV and served in various theater productions. Apple is a junior in her third high school production.



A prominent character in the play is Bambi (Abigail Altomose), who previously received a Freddy nomination for Feature Dancer. She has studied ballet and modern dance for 14 years with the Pennsylvania Youth Ballet/Ballet Guild.



**The cast performs** a song and dance number called "Wide Open Spaces." In the center is Sindey (Curtis Clifford). "Curtains" is Clifford's second high school production.



**Carmen (center)**, (Maggie Toner) leads the ensemble in a song and dance number called "It's a Business." Toner is a junior and has been performing on Lehigh Valley stages since she was 5.

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## Charter Arts: Snow make-up day

The Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts will be in session as a snow make-up day on April 15.

For information, visit <https://www.charterarts.org>.

## Sweeney Todd; guitar; dance programs

The theater production 'Sweeney Todd' will be held at 7 p.m. April 3 through 6 and at 2 p.m. April 7; 'An Evening with Guitar' program at 7 p.m. April 9; The 'Young Choreographers in Concert' shows at 7 p.m. April 12 and at 2 and 7 p.m. April 13. All events are at the school, 321 E. Third St. Visit [www.charterarts.org/](http://www.charterarts.org/).

## BATV: Skills USA winners

From Feb. 8-27 over 400 students competed in 52 hands-on skill and leadership competitions. These competitions provided a unique opportunity for some of the most talented career and technical education students in the area to showcase their skills. District Gold Medal winners advance to state and potentially national competitions.

This year, the SkillsUSA Council is partnering with post-secondary educational institutions and area businesses to award over \$200,000 in scholarships and prizes to the medalists of 12 competitions.

Following the competitions, which took place over the course of three weeks at varying host locations, students gathered at their technical schools for a live, online awards ceremony to hear the results of the competitions and, for the winners, to receive their medals.

Gold medal winners will represent District 11 at the State competition in Hershey this coming April.

BAVTS student winners include:

**First place** - Zane Henritz, Robert Smith, Jordan Krusche, Michael Kuzio, Ariel Montanez, Kristan Fleary, Brandon Balliet, Jeremy Myers, Thomas Coffin and Joseph Fekete

**Second place** - Elyjah Pinero, Zachery Siekonik, Owen Roth, Brady Rowe, Abigail Wenger, Mersadies Bonilla, Richard Oliver, Tathiana Millien, Anthony Lamoreaux, Billy Gaston and Julia Pletz

**Third place** - Matthew Clark, Anthony Hughes, Arianna Viera, Amy Swierczek, Benjamin Murdock, Harkiran Bhullar, Brandon Cordero, Christopher Kulp, Max Heffner, Francisco Lora Nunez and Kenneth Zuniga

Contestants from the following area career and technical schools participated:

Bethlehem Area Vocational-Technical School (BAVTS)  
Career Institute of Technology (CIT)  
Lehigh Career & Technical Institute (LCTI)  
Monroe Career & Technical Institute (MCTI)  
Upper Bucks County Technical School (UBCTS)

## Lehigh Valley: Music award winners announced

The Lehigh Valley Music Awards (LVMA) are set to honor four local students who stand out for their exemplary performances both in school and onstage. Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts' Grace Rosario, Temple University's Max Hostage, Liberty HS's Mariah Nagle and

Pen Argyl HS's Karin Guide have been named the recipients of this year's Youth Education Scholarship Awards.

**Grace Rosario** is a senior viola major at the Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts, where she leads the viola section of orchestra, string ensemble and pit orchestra. She plans to pursue a career in music and continue her education in the fall of 2019.

Musikfest alumnus **Max Hostage** first became interested in music at age 11 after finding his brother's blue lacquered Stratocaster guitar. He intends to major in entrepreneurship and minor in music at Temple University, while continuing to study jazz music and maintain creative projects on the side.

A senior at Liberty HS, **Mariah Nagle** has performed in eight Liberty productions, most notably as Dorothy in "The Wizard of Oz," and will lead as Belle in "Beauty and the Beast" this spring. She plans to continue her education in musical theater throughout college.

**Karin Guide** has been deeply involved with music since childhood. In elementary school she started singing in choir and playing the violin, and she later took up the tenor saxophone and became a percussionist in Pen Argyl HS's marching band. Guide plans to pursue music education in college.

Started in 1999 by the Greater Lehigh Valley Music Association (GLVMA), the Lehigh Valley Music Awards are designed to honor and celebrate the musicians and music related businesses of the Greater Lehigh Valley. The LVMA's, now in their 20th year, are a partnership between the Greater Lehigh Valley Music Association and ArtsQuest. For more information on the LVMA's, visit [www.lehighvalleymusicawards.org](http://www.lehighvalleymusicawards.org).

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## HIGH SCHOOL MUSICALS

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With the spotlight on Lehigh Valley high school musicals on the road to the 2019 Freddy Awards at the State Theatre Center for the Arts, Easton, the Lehigh Valley Press Focus section continues its annual preview series. The 17th annual Freddy Awards recognize accomplishments in musical theater in high schools in Lehigh and Northampton counties, and Warren County, N.J. The list of the 30 schools participating in the 2019 Freddy Awards, along with productions, performance dates and ticket information, is at: [freddyawards.org](http://freddyawards.org) The 2019 Freddy Awards ceremony will be broadcast at 7 p.m. May 23 from the State Theatre on WFMZ-TV and [wfmz.com](http://wfmz.com).



Whitehall High School "Mamma Mia" cast, from left, includes Zane Kristof (Sam Carmichael), Emma Garneau (Tanya), Alessondra Jordan (Sophie Sheridan) and Michael McCloud (Harry Bright).

### Whitehall 'Mamma Mia!'

"Mamma Mia!" brings romance to the stage while featuring classic Abba hits at 7 p.m. April 4, 5, 6, and 2 p.m. April 7, auditorium, Whitehall High School, 3800 Mechanicsville Road, Whitehall.

Set on a Greek island, a young bride-to-be invites three men from her mother's past to her wedding without consulting mom. She is determined to find out which one of them is her father, so she can ask him to walk her down the aisle.

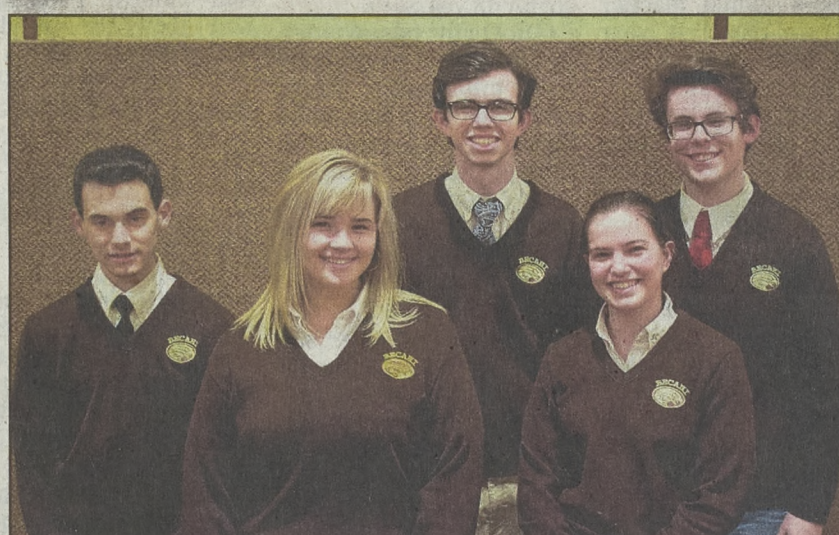
Monique Haney directs the Whitehall production, assisted by choreographer Melissa Zimmer and producer and

music director Eddie Hong.

With music and lyrics by Björn Ulvaeus and Benny Andersson and book by Catherine Johnson, the musical comedy debuted on Broadway in 2001, receiving five Tony Award nominations.

"Dancing Queen," "Take a Chance on Me," "Money, Money, Money," "Knowing Me, Knowing You," "Lay All Your Love on Me," "Voulez-Vous," "Super Trouper" and "Mama Mia!" are among the featured songs.

**Tickets:** [whitehallmusic.com](http://whitehallmusic.com); [showtix4u.com/events/whitehall-theater](http://showtix4u.com/events/whitehall-theater); 610-437-5081, ext. 93270



Bethlehem Catholic High School "Meet Me in St. Louis" cast includes, from left, Ryan Fonte (Warren Sheffield), Morgan Altemose (Rose Smith), Bobby Henry (Lon Smith), Zara Smith (Esther Smith) and Connor Murphy (John Truitt).

### Bethlehem Catholic 'Meet Me in St. Louis'

Bethlehem Catholic's "Meet Me in St. Louis" relives the early 20th century at 7 p.m. April 5, 6, 12, 13, and 3 p.m. April 7, auditorium, Bethlehem Catholic High School, 2133 Madison Avenue, Bethlehem.

It's summer of 1903 and the Smith family eagerly awaits the 1904 World's Fair. During the course of a year, Alonso Smith's wife and daughters cope with his decision to move the family from their beloved St. Louis to New York City.

The Becahi production is directed and choreographed by Debbie Acampora with music director and pit

conductor Joseph Fink assisting.

With music and lyrics by Hugh Martin and Ralph Blane, and book by Hugh Wheeler, the musical is based on the 1944 MGM film of the same title that starred Judy Garland.

The musical debuted in 1989 on Broadway, receiving four 1990 Tony Award nominations.

Popular featured songs include "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas," "The Boy Next Door," "The Trolley Song," "Skip to My Lou, and "Whenever I'm with You."

**Tickets:** [bit.ly/becatheater](http://bit.ly/becatheater); at the door one hour before curtain.

## CLASSICAL VIEWS

### Beauty and power

A Verdi 'Requiem' for Allentown Symphony, Chorus, soloists, Muhlenberg College Choir

Verdi's "Requiem" is a piece of mammoth proportions and power and stunning beauty.

Some people refer to it as Verdi's concert opera, where the four vocal soloists sing aria-type solos contrasted with ensemble and chorus sections. It is some of his best musical writing and a piece that has, through the passing of the years, become even more beloved by all who hear it.

It is hard to put into words the genius of this music. The text is drawn from the Catholic "Funeral Mass" and takes us through various emotions from "Grant us eternal rest," to "the day of wrath, that day will dissolve the world in ashes," to "Deliver me, Lord, from eternal death."

When the revered Italian poet, playwright and novelist Alessandro Manzoni died in 1873 at the age of 87, Verdi was deeply saddened and wanted to do something to commemorate his life since Manzoni's writings had done so much to highlight Italy's quest for freedom and national identity during the 19th century.

Verdi approached the mayor of Milan about commissioning a "Requiem Mass" to be performed on the one-year anniversary of Manzoni's death. The mayor eagerly accepted.

Most of the music Verdi composed for the "Requiem" honoring Manzoni was new, but he did resurrect an earlier composition, the "Libera me," from a joint requiem project paying tribute to the death of the famous opera composer Gioachino Rossini. The "Rossini Requiem" project had 12 Italian composers slated to each compose one section of the "Requiem Mass."

By the time the project was cancelled, Verdi had already completed his section, the "Libera me." It remained in the vault of his publisher, Ricordi, until 1873 when he revived it and included it in the "Requiem" for Manzoni.

Giuseppe Verdi was not a religious man, and he did not write the "Requiem" as a religious piece so much as a grand tribute in music to his friend. The setting of the text, however, is very powerful and the impact of the music and the text is incredibly moving.

For the Allentown Symphony Orchestra's performance of Verdi's "Requiem," 7:30 p.m. April 13 and 3 p.m. April 14, we will be featuring the Allentown Symphony Orchestra Chorus prepared by director Eduardo Azzati. Joining us will be the Muhlenberg College Choir prepared by director Dr. Christopher Jackson. For each of the two concerts, we will have more than 100 choir members on the stage along with all the members of the Allentown Symphony.

Three of our four vocal soloists have roots right here in the Lehigh Valley and it is so special for us to be able to showcase their fine talent.

Soprano Toni Marie Palmertree was born in Fleetwood, Berks County. She was a section leader for the Allentown Symphony Chorus before she went off to sing with the San Francisco Opera. She has won numerous awards and competitions and is a rising star in the opera world.

Mezzo-Soprano Patricia Risley graduated from Parkland High School, South Whitehall Township. She's a frequent guest at the Metropolitan Opera where she made her debut as Tebaldo in "Don Carlo" and has returned for performances in "La Cenerentola," "La Traviata," "Gianni Schicchi" and "Carmen." Additionally, she has enjoyed a strong relationship with the Lyric Opera of Chicago and has performed 13 roles with the company.

Bass Jeremy Galyon graduated from Liberty High School, Bethlehem. He made his San Francisco Opera debut as Count Horn in "A Masked Ball" and has performed in numerous operas there. He has been featured in productions at the Houston Grand Opera and Opera Theater of St. Louis. Recent orchestral engagements include performances



Diane Wittry



Toni Marie Palmertree



Patricia Risley



Jeremy Galyon



Kirk Dougherty

with the San Francisco Symphony and the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

Tenor Kirk Dougherty is a rising star who has performed with the Opera San José, Opera Las Vegas, Knoxville Opera, Wichita Grand Opera, Piedmont, Utah Festival Opera and New Jersey Choral Society. This will be his Allentown Symphony debut.

With such a fabulous cast of soloists and the combined choirs of the Allentown Symphony and Muhlenberg College, the performances of the Verdi "Requiem" is something I am really looking forward to. The powerful sound

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William Allen High School's "Sister Act" cast includes, from left, Kasandra Chatman (Mother Superior), Ceijay Clay (Eddie Souther), CaSandra Danubio (Sister Mary Robert), Lisandra Espiritusanto (Deloris Van Cartier), Taylor McShane (Sister Mary Patrick) and Josh Roth (Curtis).

## Allen 'Sister Act'

The William Allen High School theater department rejoices with "Sister Act," a musical featuring a disco diva hiding from mobsters in a convent, with show times at 7 p.m. April 4, 5, 6, and 2 p.m. April 7, John F. McHugh Auditorium, William Allen High School, 106 N. 17th St., Allentown.

When singer Deloris Van Cartier witnesses a murder while she is in protective custody, she hides her identity by dressing as a nun. Deloris uses her talents to inspire the choir and brings new life to the church and community.

John T. Sechler directs with support from choreographer and assistant director Dawn Blanco, music director Brandon Remp, technical di-

rector Marc Hissam, conductor Eric Moser and costumer Karen Comegys.

With music by Alan Menken, lyrics by Glenn Slater, and book by Cheri Steinkellner and Bill Steinkellner, the musical is based on the 1992 Touchstone Pictures film "Sister Act" written by Joseph Howard. Additional book material is by Douglas Carter Beane.

The 2011 Broadway production received five Tony Award nominations. Music numbers include "Take Me To Heaven," "Fabulous, Baby!," "Sunday Morning Fever," "The Life I Never Led" and "Raise Your Voice."

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BY KATHY LAUER-WILLIAMS  
Special to The Press

Internationally-renowned choral-music clinician Dr. Rollo Dilworth will work with Allentown School District teachers and other area choral directors in a "Choral Music Teacher Workshop," presented by the Bel Canto Youth Chorus of the Bach Choir of Bethlehem.

"In the choral music field, everyone knows Rollo [Dilworth]," says Joy Hirokawa, artistic director of Bel Canto. "He is a leader in choral music education. We are really excited about him coming."

The event includes a free concert open to the public featuring Allentown school choirs, 7 p.m. March 29, South Mountain Middle School, Allentown.

Hirokawa says the workshops are an extension of the Bach Choir's community development through teaching that includes its "Bach to School" program.

She says Choir officials hope the workshop becomes an annual event.

"The goal is to provide professional development in choral music education," Hirokawa says. "We want to provide support and education to area choral directors."

She says a lot of school music departments have been hit hard by budget cuts and teachers may not have the opportunity to travel to workshops for professional development.

"So we brought it here," Hirokawa says.

Hirokawa says she worked with Allentown School district choral music teachers to design the workshop content.

She approached them during a spring teacher in-service day last year about what they would want in a professional development workshop.

Surprised that the workshop had their needs as a priority, the teachers told her they wanted a workshop focused on working with diverse populations and emphasizing rehearsal techniques, rather than performance.

Hirokawa says Allentown teachers were concerned about how they could best serve an underserved population when they had limited time with students.

"It is very teacher-led,"



Dr. Rollo Dilworth

Hirokawa says. "They asked, How can we get kids excited?" and [they] were looking for best practices for working with kids in an urban population."

Hirokawa says the open rehearsal is available to choral teachers who will see Dilworth's rehearsal techniques as he conducts a group on his own composition.

Hirokawa says Dilworth will be "teaching a song from the ground up."

"This is not for a performance but to model the process," she says. "This is what teachers do every day."

Dilworth is Professor of Choral Music Education and Chair of the Music Education Department at Temple University's Esther Boyer College of Music and Dance, Philadelphia.

In addition to teaching undergraduate and graduate courses in choral music education, he is conductor of the Singing Owls, a university-community choir.

Prior to Temple, Dilworth was Director of Choral Activities and Music Education at North Park University, Chicago, for 13 years.

Dilworth has written and arranged more than 150 published choral works. His choral compositions are a part of the Henry Leck Creating Artistry Choral Series with Hal Leonard Corporation and Colla Voce Music Company, and he has also published pieces with the Santa Barbara Music Publishing Company as part of the Mary Alice Stollak Choral Series.

The workshops are open to choral directors working in any setting and with any age group.

### Schedule

6:45-8:45 p.m. March 28, Lehigh Valley Charter

Arts High School, 321 E. Third St, Bethlehem

"Rehearsal Techniques": Dr. Dilworth will rehearse the Concert Choir of Bel Canto Youth Chorus for his composition, "No Ways Tired." The open rehearsal provides opportunities for teachers to observe rehearsal techniques appropriate for choirs of any level.

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9 a.m.-3 p.m. March 30, Community Music School, 1544 Hamilton St. Allentown

9 a.m.-noon, "Rehearsal Techniques": Following time for refreshments and networking, the session, "Building Community in the Choral Setting and Choral Pedagogy," will focus on working with diverse students.

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Diane Wittry is Music

Director and Conductor of the Allentown Symphony Orchestra, Music Director and Conductor of The Garden State Philharmonic, New Jersey, and author of "Beyond the Baton" and "Baton Basics." She teaches conducting workshops throughout the United States and Europe.

Tickets: Miller Symphony Hall Box Office, 23 N. Sixth St., Allentown; [allentown-symphony.org](http://allentown-symphony.org); 610-432-6715. Free student tickets, for those up to age 21, underwritten by a grant from the Century Fund, are available for Allentown Symphony Orchestra concerts.

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# Brie Larson a 'Marvel'

"Captain Marvel" has all that a Marvel Cinematic Universe fan might want: epic battle scenes, zooming space-chase scenes, a motley crew of intergalactic creatures, a buddy-film storyline, and, action, action, action.

"Captain Marvel" wouldn't be as good as it is without Brie Larson in the title role.

Marvel and most producers of superhero movies and animated feature films make smart casting choices. The film-makers try to get the best acting and voice talent possible.

One example is the reboot of "Wonder Woman" (2017) with the exceptional Gal Gadot, the Israeli actress who made the role her own.

As Captain Marvel, Brie Larson fills the bill and more. Larson is an Oscar actress winner for the exceptional, "Room" (2015). Larson's square-jawed gravitas elevates "Captain Marvel" from the pages of a comic book and the screen of a superhero movie.

Since "Captain Marvel" is an origin story movie, Larson has a certain seriousness that lingers throughout most of the scenes. Her face conveys a cynical quizzical expression and often a sourpuss countenance. Her body language, in walk and stance, projects a solid toughness. When she smiles, she lights up the scenes.

Larson's approach is understandable. No spoiler alert here, but as Captain Marvel, aka Carol Danvers (nicknamed Vers), she's in for a heckuva surprise that is nothing less than a betrayal.

Larson's scenes with Jude Law (Yon-Rogg), who is Danvers' mentor and commander of Starforce, are effectively prickly. Law seems to be relishing the role, which he interprets with brio and gusto.

Even more interesting, and fun, are Larson's scenes with Samuel L. Jackson (Nick Fury, before he's director of S.H.I.E.L.D.). Here's where the buddy-cop aspect of "Captain Marvel" is in evidence. As is typical for the trope, Danvers and Fury meet as semi-antagonists and the challenge of the opposition cements their friendship.

Jackson is portraying Fury as a younger person. Not only was Jackson "digitally de-aged by 25 years," he has hair and no eye-patch. The film is set in 1995. The visage of a younger Jackson takes some getting used to. Jackson brings his usual insouciance to the role and mostly carries it off.

"Captain Marvel" has a "Guardians of the Galaxy" (2014) sensibility, which shouldn't be surprising because the film builds toward that film, among others in the Marvel Cinematic Universe.

Cast standouts include Ben Mendelsohn (Talos-Keller, the shape-shifting leader of the Skrull, who are invading the Earth). Mendelsohn manges to act through the heavy mask and body suit. The character design for the Skrull characters is wanting, a throwback to the comparatively low-budget TV "Star Trek" (1966-1969). Money was apparently no object, so it's kind of surprising, since "Captain Marvel" had a budget of \$150 million.

Annette Bening is not an obvious casting choice as the Supreme

## MOVIE REVIEW

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Intelligence, aka Marvel-Vell-Dr. Wendy Lawson. Lashana Lynch is Maria Rambeau, a friend of Danvers going back to their service in the United States Air Force. Gemma Chan is Minn-Erva, a Starforce member and a Kree.

There's also Djimon Hounsou (Korath), Lee Pace (Ronan the Accuser) and Clark Gregg (Phil Coulson).

Directors Ryan Fleck (director, "Half Nelson," 2006) and Anna Boden (co-director with Fleck, "It's Kind Of A Funny Story," 2010, "Sugar," 2008) work from a screenplay they wrote with Geneva Robertson-Dworet from a story, they wrote with Robertson-Dworet and Nicole Perlman and Meg LeFauve. The screenplay has a "some assembly required" unfinished feel to it.

Fleck and Boden navigate the necessary "Captain Marvel" origin-story points with a minimum of fuss, even though, early on in the movie, a "her previous life flashes before her" sequence is a confusing mash-up of moments in the life of Carol Danvers.

That said, "Captain Marvel" provides Marvel fans with another entertaining ride, the 21st in the Marvel Cinematic Universe. Based on the success of "Captain Marvel," there will be many more.

"Captain Marvel," MPAA rated PG-13 (Parents Strongly Cautioned Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13. Parents are urged to be cautious. Some material may be inappropriate for pre-teenagers.) for sequences of sci-fi violence and action, and brief suggestive language; Genre: Science Fiction, Adventure; Run time: 2 hrs., 3 mins.; Distributed by Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures.

**Credit Readers Anonymous:** In "Captain Marvel," Carol Danvers' comic book cat Chewie (named for "Star Wars" Chewbacca) is renamed Goose, after the "Top Gun" (1986) character Nick "Goose" Bradshaw. The end credits state that Goose is four different cats: Reggie, Archie, Rizzo and Gonzo. The end credits include two separate scenes, one that presages "Avengers: Endgame" (2019). The open-

ing credits include a montage of Marvel film Stan Lee cameos and the statement: "Thank you, Stan." There's also a Stan Lee cameo during the movie. No fewer than 15 special effects companies are listed in the credits.

**Box Office,** March 22-24: Movie-goers wanted to become one of "Us" as Director Jordan Peele's follow-up to his hit, "Get Out," opened with a better than expected \$70.2 million, one week, dropping "Captain Marvel" one place to No. 2 after two straight weeks at No. 1 with \$35 million, \$321.4 million, two weeks.

The weekend opening for "Us" is the biggest for a live-action, original film since Avatar (\$77 million) in 2009. The "Us" opening is the biggest for an original, R-rated film, surpassing "Ted" (2012, \$54.4 million) and biggest for an original horror film, passing "A Quiet Place" (2018, \$50.2 million).

3. "Wonder Park" dropped one place to No. 3 with \$9 million, \$29.4 million, two weeks. 4. "Five Feet Apart" dropped one place, \$8.8 million, \$26.5 million, two weeks. 5. "How To Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World," dropped one place, \$6.5 million, \$145.7 million, five weeks. 6. "A Madea Family Funeral" dropped one place, \$4.5 million, \$65.8 million, four weeks. 7. "Gloria Bell" moved up 11 places, \$1.7 million, \$2.5 million, three weeks. 8. "No Manches Frida 2" dropped two places, \$1.7 million, \$6.6 million, two weeks. 9. "The Lego Movie 2: The Second Part" dropped one place, \$1.1 million, \$103.3 million, seven weeks. 10. "Alta: Battle Angel" dropped one place, \$1 million, \$83.7 million, six weeks.

**Unreel:** March 29: "Dumbo," PG: Tim Burton directs Lucy DeVito, Eva Green, Colin Farrell and Danny DeVito in the live-action remake of the Disney animation classic with a few new plot twists.

"The Beach Bum," R: Harmony Korine directs Matthew McConaughey, Snoop Dogg, Isla Fisher and Stefania LaVie Owen in the Comedy about a surfer named Moondog.



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Presenting \$25,000 check from Greater Lehigh Valley Auto Dealers Association to St. Luke's University Health Network are Sam Borrelli, President, Greater Lehigh Valley Auto Dealers Association, and Andy Trauger, Dealer Services Relationship Manager, Greater Lehigh Valley Auto Dealers Association, to Dr. Jennifer Janco, Chief of Pediatrics, St. Luke's University Health Network; Carol A. Kuplen, President, St. Luke's University Hospital - Bethlehem and Chief Nursing Officer, St. Luke's University Hospital Network, and Jessika Haynos, Service Line Manager, Children's Services, St. Luke's University Hospital.

## LV Auto Dealers donate \$25,000 to St. Luke's University Network

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The Greater Lehigh Valley Auto Dealers Association has donated \$25,000 to St. Luke's University Health Network.

Planned is a new Pediatric Intensive Care Unit and renovation of the inpatient pediatric unit by early 2020 at St. Luke's University Hospital - Bethlehem.

A video of an artist's rendering of the proposed unit and renovations was shown at the March 20 Preview Gala at Stabler Center for the 2019 Lehigh Valley Auto Show.

The 22nd annual Lehigh Valley Auto Show presented by the Greater Lehigh Valley Auto Dealers Association, with the theme, "Driving the Valley," opened March 21 and concluded March 24 with more than 150,000-square-foot of displays of new cars, trucks, SUVs, crossovers, vans and cycles in Stabler Athletic and Convocation Center, Rauch Fieldhouse, and Goodman Halls A and B, Murray H. Goodman Campus, Lehigh University, 124 Goodman Drive, Bethlehem.

Chair of the 2019 auto show is Tom Daub, President, Brown-Daub Dealerships.

Tom Kwiatek, Executive Director, Greater Lehigh Valley Auto Dealers Association, presented introductory remarks,

and Melanie Falcon, news anchor, "69 News" 4 p.m. newscast, WFMZ-TV, emceed the check presentation at the gala.

The check presentation was made by Sam Borrelli, President, Greater Lehigh Valley Auto Dealers Association, and Andy Trauger, Dealer Services Relationship Manager, Greater Lehigh Valley Auto Dealers Association, to Dr. Jennifer Janco, Chief of Pediatrics, St. Luke's University Health Network; Carol A. Kuplen, President, St. Luke's University Hospital - Bethlehem, and Chief Nursing Officer, St. Luke's University Hospital Network, and Jessika Haynos, Service Line Manager, Children's Services, St. Luke's University Hospital.

"St. Luke's is strategic to know where the communities' needs are. The next logical step is a new Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at St. Luke's Bethlehem in 2020," Janco said prior to the check presentation.

"Community Days" were March 21 and 22 at the Lehigh Valley Auto Show. Participating nonprofits sold discounted tickets as a fundraiser for their organizations.

"Military And First Responder Appreciation Day" was March 22. Admission was free with a valid ID. Accompanying family members, up to four, could attend at half-price admission.

"St. Luke's University Health Network Appreciation Night" was held the evening of March 21 at the Lehigh Valley Auto Show.

The Women's Business Council of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce held its annual scholarship fundraiser for the first time at the Lehigh Valley Auto Show with "Top Chef of the Valley," March 21, with wine-tasting and dishes samples from Lehigh Valley chefs.

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## Christ's Church celebrates St. Patty's Day

Christ's Church at Lowhill, New Tripoli, had its first St. Patty's dinner March 16 in the social hall. Wayne and Ruth Frey of Germansville, started their meal with a tossed salad and dinner roll.

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Sue Heffner shows off her St. Patty's Day attire while serving corned beef. Heffner and crew prepared 32 pounds of corned beef, 25 heads of cabbage, 25 pounds of potatoes, 18 pounds of carrots and lots of horseradish sauce.





Atty. Malcolm J. Gross

**LV MUSEUM**

Atty. Gross talk  
opens Trexler exhibit

The exhibition, "The Life & Legacy of General Harry C. Trexler," opens at 1 p.m. March 30 with introductory remarks by Atty. Malcolm J. Gross at the Lehigh County Historical Society's Lehigh Val-

ley Heritage Museum, 432 W. Walnut St., Allentown. "General Trexler's life offers an inspiring example of hard work, determination, citizenship and philanthropy," said Joseph Garrera, Executive Director of the Museum. "His impact on Lehigh County is incalculable." Easton native Harry C. Trexler (1854 - 1933),

a United States industrialist, businessman, conservationist and philanthropist, spent most of his life as a resident of Allentown.

Trexler's businesses included: Trexler Lumber Company, Lehigh Portland Cement, Trexler Farms and Pennsylvania Power and Light.

Trexler worked to save

the American bison, established a trout hatchery and purchased much of the land that constitutes Hickory Run State Park.

Through the Harry C. Trexler Trust, a charitable trust Trexler set up prior to his death, his wealth provides an ongoing benefit to the people of Lehigh County.

Atty. Gross is Chair-

man of the Board of Trustees for the Harry C. Trexler Trust. He is a partner in the law firm of Gross McGinley, LLP.

"He brings extensive scholarship and fascinating perspective to Harry C. Trexler's life and legacy," Garrera said of Gross.

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## Tips for elderly gardener

It's 16-feet-long, 4-feet-wide, and brimming with yellow marsh marigolds: A display that gladdens the heart of gardeners and passers-by alike.

What's even more uplifting is the example this flowerbed makes.

It shows for all to see that gardening can continue as a lifetime pleasure regardless of age or illness.

How so? Because this garden plot is planted waist-high in the bed of an old farm wagon.

Raised beds such as a wagon garden make it possible for someone who can no longer bend over comfortably, or who uses a wheelchair, to continue working outside in the soil.

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Many things can be done to make gardening comfortable for persons who are no longer as spry or able-bodied as they once were.

Here are some suggestions for older or handicapped gardeners.

**Raised beds, container-gardening:** Getting the flowers or vegetables up off the ground is one place to start. Raised beds need not be as grand in scope as the farm wagon.

Window boxes attached to the rail of a deck

or porch, hanging planters, or containers set on tables or pedestals make for ease of reach.

Limiting the size of the garden in this way also lightens the workload. Garden-supply stores carry a range of seeds bred especially to thrive in containers.

**Location:** One caution about container-gardening is that it requires frequent, consistent watering, making the proximity to a water source a major consideration in where to locate this type of garden.

If an in-ground garden is still suitable, be sure it's not too far from where tools are stored and that the surface of the ground presents no undue ob-



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Container-gardens won't give gardener "the bends."

stacles such as irregular stones, steep steps or slopes and the like.

Watering can be simplified by a drip-irrigation system or sprinkler that's left in place. Space the rows widely enough to accommodate a wheelchair or other type of riding device. Make the beds only so wide as is comfortable to reach.

**Tools:** New tools may be in order when a person's physical abilities change. The lighter weight of a plastic trowel versus a metal one can considerably reduce fatigue.

The right design gives added power. Many garden-supply stores feature ergonomic tools that are intended to match the way human muscles work.

Don't assume such tools fit the bill. Try a variety of trowels, weeders, hand-rakes and pruning

shears for size, weight and balance.

Old favorites can be modified to enhance grip by adding a Velcro strap to wrap around the back of the hand or by sliding a tube of pipe insulation around the handle to make the diameter larger.

Attaching a second handle (at a right angle) midway down the shaft of a long tool, such as a hoe, allows for efficient use of both arms.

Specialized tools, such as scissors that also keep ahold of the stem that's been cut, may come in handy. Others can be homemade, such as using a long piece of plastic tubing as a funnel to drop seeds through to the ground without bending over. Then brush dirt over the seeds with your foot.

**Equipment:** Some older gardeners have found garden seats on

wheels real energy-savers. Others prefer kneeling benches with high sides to grip when standing back up.

Wheelbarrows with two large wheels are easier to push than the conventional single-wheeled kind. A homemade walker-wagon gives physical support as well as a means of carrying tools around.

Riding mowers that pull a wagon are another handy way to move tools. Equipment and tools should be stored near each other so they needn't be gathered together each time.

**Work methods:** Consider commercial products that make gardening easier, such as seed-strips or use seedlings instead of seeds.

Work early in the morning or late afternoon, avoiding the heat of the day. Take it easy, doing a little at a time.

Place chairs here and there throughout the garden for easy-access rest spots.

So if you love gardening, don't let age or disability stop you. Start planning your garden now.

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## Good, bad carbohydrates

**Q. What exactly is the difference between good carbs and bad carbs?**

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Carbohydrates from white bread, white rice, pastries, sugared sodas and other highly-processed foods can make you fat. If you eat a lot of bad carbs, they increase the risk for disease.

Whole grains, beans, fruits, vegetables, and other similar sources of carbohydrates make you healthy by delivering vitamins, minerals, fiber and a many nutrients.

Carbohydrates are the most important source of energy for your body. Your digestive system changes carbohydrates into blood sugar (glucose). Your body uses the glucose and stores extra sugar for when you need it. A healthy diet should include good carbs.

Carbohydrates were once grouped into two main categories: simple and complex.

Simple carbohydrates included sugars such as fruit sugar (fructose), corn or grape sugar (dextrose or glucose) and table sugar (sucrose).

Complex carbony-

### HEALTHY GEEZER

By Fred Cicetti  
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drates included everything made of three or more linked sugars.

Complex carbohydrates were thought to be the healthiest to eat. Now there are questions about that assumption.

A new system, called the glycemic index, classifies carbohydrates by how quickly and how high they boost blood sugar.

Foods with a high glycemic index, like white bread, cause rapid spikes in blood sugar.

Foods with a low glycemic index, like whole oats, are digested more slowly, causing a lower and gentler change in blood sugar.

Diets rich in foods with a high glycemic index have been linked to an increased risk for diabetes, heart disease, obesity, age-related macular degeneration, ovulatory infertility and colorectal cancer.

Foods with a low glycemic index have been shown to help control diabetes and improve weight loss.

However, there have been other studies that have found the glycemic index has little effect on weight or health. More research into the glycemic index is needed.

You can't establish a diet by the glycemic index alone. Instead, use it as a general guide.

In the meantime, eat foods with a low glycemic index: whole grains, beans, fruits and vegetables.

The University of Sydney in Australia maintains an updated searchable database: gly-

cemicindex.com, with almost 1,600 entries.

Here are five quick tips about carb consumption from the Harvard School of Public Health:

Start the day with whole grains. Try a hot cereal, like old-fashioned oats, or a cold cereal that lists a whole grain first on the ingredient list.

Use whole-grain breads for lunch or snacks.

Bag the potatoes. Instead, try brown rice, bulgur, wheat berries, whole wheat pasta, or another whole grain with your dinner.

Choose whole fruit instead of juice. An orange has two times as much fiber and half as much sugar as a 12-ounce glass of orange juice.

Bring on the beans. Beans are an excellent source of slowly digested carbohydrates as well as a great source of protein.

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# Curtain Rises

## Civic 2019-20 season: Two mystery musicals

BY PAUL WILLISTEIN  
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It's like this: Civic Theatre has announced its 2019-2020 season. However, as with theater companies across the country, it's restricted from announcing shows that are still uncertain.

The two shows in question for Civic's seasons are two well-known musicals, which may or may not still be on national tour or might be presented at another regional theater.

Civic Theatre Artistic Director William Ross Sanders teased those at the March 15 season announcement reception at Civic514 with puzzles, references and rhymes, but no titles.

The first musical to be announced is for October. The second musical to be announced is for May 2020. That's all Sanders could say.

The 2019-2020 Civic season that can be an-

nounced is: "Cabarets And Concerts: Movie Musicals," August; "Rockin' Broadway"; "Bridges Of Madison County"; "A Christmas Carole" and "Who's Holiday," both December; "The Humans," February 2020; "Silence: The Musical," March 2020; Civic Theatre Students' "Frozen, Jr.," April 2020, and "Significant Other," June 2020.

"We try to keep a balance and do as many premieres as possible," Sanders said.

As the title might indicate, "A Christmas Carole" provides a gender twist with JoAnn Wilchek Basist playing Scrooge.

Civic's 2018-2019 season continues with Civic Theatre School's production of "The Lion King, Jr.," 6 p.m. April 4 and 5; 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. April 6 and 7; "Fun Home," May 3, 4, 9-12 and 16-19, and "Constellations," June 21-23 and

27-30. Civic's ninth annual "Tonys & Tapas" fundraiser is 3:30-6:30 p.m. June 9, 19th Street Theatre and Theatre514. This year's event honors Sanders' 25th season as Civic artistic director.

There will be a music performance by the Civic Theatre Company, tapas from Lehigh Valley restaurants, a cash bar and a silent auction.

**Salon services:** Pennsylvania Playhouse presents its production of "Steel Magnolias," April 5-7, 12-14 and 19 and 20, just in time for the 30th anniversary of the movie version of the play.

The 1989 film adaptation of Robert Harling's 1987 play of the same title starred Sally Field, Dolly Parton, Shirley MacLaine, Daryl Hannah, Olympia Dukakis, Julia Roberts, Tom Skerritt, Dylan McDermott, Kevin J. O'Connor and Sam Shepard.



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Civic Theatre Artistic Director William Ross Sanders, left, and Civic Theatre Associate Artistic Director Will Morris, right, announce Civic Theatre of Allentown's 2019-2020 season during reception at Theatre514, Allentown.

The comedy is set in Truvy's beauty salon in Chinquapin, Louisiana, where "all the ladies who are anybody have their hair done."

According to the Playhouse press release, "helped by her eager new assistant, Annelle (Danielle Tempier), the outspoken, wise-cracking Truvy (Tracie DeMaria) dispenses

shampoos and free advice to the town's rich curmudgeon, Ouiser (Vickie Montessano); an eccentric millionaire, Miss Clairee (Carole Silvo), and M'Lynn (Syd Stauffer) whose daughter, Shelby (Stephanie Walsh), is about to marry a good ole boy."

The Playhouse release describes the play as "alternately hilarious

and touching with six female characters as delicate as magnolias yet as strong as steel."

The Playhouse production is directed by Gary Boyer.

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## ENGAGEMENT

### Boyer-Andrews Couple to wed in December

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Boyer, of Pine Grove, Schuylkill County, announce the engagement of their daughter, Stephanie, to Tyler Andrews, son of Michael Andrews and Tracy Andrews, of Emmaus.

The bride-elect is a 2009 graduate of Pine Grove Area High School and a 2013 graduate of Lebanon Valley College, Annville, Lebanon County.

She is a Pre-K Counts teacher with Community Services for Children, Allentown.

Her fiancé is a 2008 graduate of Emmaus High School and a 2010 graduate of Lehigh Carbon Community College. He is employed by Mack Trucks, Macungie.

The couple is planning a Dec. 14 wedding.



Tyler Andrews and Stephanie Boyer

### LCCC

#### Classes registration

Students may register for fall semester classes at Lehigh Carbon Community College (LCCC) beginning April 1. Classes start Aug. 24.

Registration for the summer session is available for five- and 10-week sessions that begin May 20, and an additional five-week session that begins July 8.

LCCC offers classes online and at campuses in Schnecksville, Allentown, Tamaqua and Jim Thorpe.

Credit classes list and to apply: lccc.edu.

Information: 610-799-1575

## Don't let the old man in

My buddy Lenny often takes the time to send me interesting email.

The last thing he sent is so worthy of sharing. It's a song and short video called "Don't Let the Old Man In."

According to the video made by Lone Wolf Media and country singer Toby Keith, the legendary Clint Eastwood was the inspiration for that song.

When Eastwood was golfing with Toby Keith, the actor mentioned he was going to turn 88 on Monday.

"What are you going to do then?" asked Keith.

Eastwood said he was going to make a movie on Monday and film all week.

"What keeps you going?" queried Keith.

"I get up every morning and don't let the old man in," answered Clint.

That answer was the inspiration for a softly mesmerizing song Keith wrote, calling it "Don't Let the Old Man In."

The video is only a few minutes, but it is so worth watching that I keep it posted on my desktop so I can play it periodically.

It's the kind of song that gets in your head and stays there once you hear it.

If you want to hear it for yourself, it's on YouTube. You can also Google it.

Toby Keith struck gold years ago when he recorded "Should've Been a Cowboy." The most played country song of the 1990s, it's still a country standard.

"Don't Let the Old Man In" should be just as big.

Clint Eastwood's movie "The Mule" is also destined to be a classic. It's serious, yet uplifting. And the acting, of course, is pure Eastwood gold.

Not bad for an 88-year-old guy.

I've been thinking a lot about age lately after someone made a mean crack about "old people" that I won't honor by repeating. She's 69, but talks like she's never going to get old.

I want to reach advanced age but I don't want to get old.

There's a difference. It's that difference that Eastwood was referring to.

I believe it's a gift to age. Too many die all too soon, cut off way before their time.

And too many act truly old when they are still young. It's all about making the most of each day of life.

The lucky ones are those who are given the gift of advanced age without letting the old man in.

That being said, I understand why there's an old saying that states: Old age is not for sissies.

Little by little, we do lose a bit as we age.

I judged a talent contest last where one of the winners was an 85-year-old comedian. He started off his routine talking about a guy who goes to the doctor's with a litany of complaints.

"I get tired much more easily than I ever did and I can't do nearly as much. I'm starting to

### WARMEST REGARDS

By Pattie Mihalik  
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get pain that I never had, too. What do you think is wrong with me?" the fellow asked his doctor.

According to the comedian, the doctor diagnosed those problems in two words: "You're old!"

The audience laughed at the joke because they "got it." They understood as we age we do lose some of which we could do before.

But there are also a lot of things we gain as we age.

For one thing, as we go through life we gain compassion. Our experiences help us feel empathy for what others are going through.

We also gain more tolerance. When I was much younger I saw everything in terms of black or white. Now that I'm older I realize few things are that absolute.

It's also true that we get much smarter as we get older.

Why else would we say, "too soon old, too late smart?"

Frankly, when I look back at all the dumb things I did when I was younger I wonder how I ever lived this long without messing up big time.

Now, in most cases I think before I act. Then I think some more, deciding on the most prudent course of action. Prudent isn't something we strive for in our younger years.

I believe it's also true that age teaches us what's important and what's not.

We've all heard the old expression, "Don't sweat the small stuff — and it's all small stuff."

We stop wanting so many things because we learn possessions don't mean that much. On the other hand, we realize family is our most important treasure.

As I grow older, my capacity to love keeps expanding and my gratitude for life also keeps growing with the years.

According to survey after survey, people claim their happiest time of life is when they are over 65.

Sure, retirement brings so many rewards, including the gift of more time for us.

But it's more than that, according to those same surveys. One important conclusion: The depth of one's gratitude contributes greatly to their sense of well-being and their happiness.

Well, what about times when we're struggling with hard times? Then it's time to hone in on what you do have, instead of what you don't have.

Some of the words in "Don't Let the Old Man In" have other suggestions.

"Love on your wife. Stay close to your friends."

"Look out your window and smile."

"Don't let the old man in."

Whatever you do, don't let the old man in.

Contact Pattie Mihalik at newsgirl@comcast.net.

## A gracious dinner guest eats what's served

Dear Jacquelyn,  
What do you do when you don't want to eat the food being served at somebody else's home but don't want to be impolite? How do you courteously refuse a meal?

Dear Reader,  
When you are a dinner guest, it's generally expected you accept whatever is placed in front of you.

Accepting an invitation to dinner is a social event. If you can't stomach your host's meal, it would be impolite to outright reject what's on the table. That doesn't mean there aren't some loopholes that allow you to maintain a polite demeanor.

### RESPECTFULLY YOURS

By Jacquelyn Youst



Typically, when a meal is served, there is more than one item on the plate. If you simply don't like a certain food on your plate, say nothing and discreetly move the food around the plate.

Your role as the guest is to be gracious. If you don't like the meal and your host asks whether you like the meal, focus on the positives. Don't address the dish you didn't like.

Acknowledge the

hard work your host put in. A helpful phrase is "I really appreciate how much effort and thought you put into dinner. Thank you."

You might be tempted and resort to sitting quietly staring at the others who are eating. This is where an uncomfortable feeling will seep in.

To avoid drawing attention to yourself, I recommend you try your best, eat very slowly, and be chatty. Make interesting conversation and do your best not to stand out.

In the future, if you know there's a chance you could arrive at a dinner party only to find you can't eat what's on your plate, have a little

snack before you head out the door.

The last thing you want to do is hurt the feelings of the host. Being a gracious dinner guest means finding polite ways to navigate prickly parts of the event.

Respectfully Yours,  
Jacquelyn

Have a question?  
Email: jacquelyn@ptd.net.

Jacquelyn Youst is owner of the Pennsylvania Academy of Protocol, specializing in etiquette training. She is on the board of directors of the National Civility Foundation.

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## Three-month-old crying at night discussed

Q. My three-month-old daughter wakes up at least three times during the night. My husband thinks we should let her cry it out until she goes back to sleep. I think she is too young. I'm getting different opinions from my relatives, and I am not sure what to do. Can you help?

It was apparent from the panel's discussion that there are many reasons why babies cry a lot.

"Crying is a way for babies to communicate," panelist Pam Wallace explained. "So, whether or not the baby is hungry or needs to be changed, she requires some attention."

"The rule of thumb is hold her, feed her, change her, keep her calm, don't talk and engage in minimal interaction," Wallace said, adding that as long as the baby is OK, she should be put back to bed.

Letting a three-month-old cry is OK, according to panelist Erin Stalsitz, but the parents need to determine if the baby has enough to eat

### THE FAMILY PROJECT

By Carole Gorney



to sleep all night. She suggested trying a bigger bottle.

"Let her cry, but if it happens every night, it could also be a problem with digestion," panelist Wanda Mercado-Arroyo said.

Panelist Denise Continenza said it tends to depend on the child: "Children develop their own method of self-soothing. If the parents respond right away, this becomes baby's way of self-soothing."

Wallace concurred, noting, "They [babies] know how to get what they want. Someone eventually is going to come and get them."

Another possible cause, according to Stalsitz, might be that the baby is napping too much during the day.

Continenza said there may be medical reasons, so the parents might want to schedule a pediatrician appointment.

At night, when the

baby starts crying, Wallace suggested using a timer: "Let her cry for 10 minutes or so, then go in and check to make sure she is fine. Next time, let her cry a little longer. The parents also should try to establish a routine at bedtime, and stay with it as much as possible."

Stalsitz said getting advice from other people can be useful, "But you have to consider your own child and its needs."

Stalsitz was concerned that the parents don't seem to be on the same page concerning the infant's crying. "They need to educate themselves," said Stalsitz.

The panel suggested that the parents check out "Better Kid Care" online, which includes some 200 videos on child development, and a few that specifically concern sleep.

This week's team of parenting experts are: Pam Wallace, Program Coordinator, Project Child, a program of Valley Youth House; Denise Continenza, extension educator; Wanda Mercado-Arroyo,

former teacher and school administrator, and Erin Stalsitz, Lehigh County Children and Youth Case-work Supervisor.

Have a question?  
Email: projectchild@projectchildlv.org

The Family Project is a collaboration of the Lehigh Valley Press Focus section and Valley Youth House's Project Child.

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### HEALTHY GEEZER



### HEALTHY GEEZER: B6

The "Healthy Geezer" column is on Page B6 of the March 27 Focus section.

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### LCCC

#### 'Transfer Fair'

Lehigh Carbon Community College (LCCC) holds a "Transfer Fair," 10 a.m.-1 p.m. March 28, Lisa Scheller-Wayne Woodman Community Services Center, Main Campus, Schnecksville. For a list of colleges

and university representatives expected to attend: lccc.edu/transfer-fair.

The event, sponsored by Academic Advising Services and LCCC's Phi Theta Kappa chapter, is free and open to the public.

Information: transfer@lccc.edu; 610-799-1137



PUBLIC NOTICE  
REQUEST FOR BIDSMaintenance, Service, and Replacement  
of Parts for Elevators

The Bethlehem Area School District will receive sealed bids, no later than 1pm prevailing time, April 4, 2019, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read. Detailed specs may be found on the district website under [www.beth.k12.pa.us](http://www.beth.k12.pa.us) Mar. 13, 20, 27

PUBLIC NOTICE  
REQUEST FOR BIDS  
FALL SPORTS SUPPLIES

The Bethlehem Area School District will receive sealed bids, no later than 1:00 PM prevailing time, April 11, 2019, at which time bids will be publicly opened. DETAILED SPECS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE BASD WEBSITE - [www.beth.k12.pa.us](http://www.beth.k12.pa.us), or by email at [purchasing@basdschools.org](mailto:purchasing@basdschools.org). Mar. 27, Apr. 3, 10

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Ordinance #2019-02, Ordinance #2019-03, and Ordinance #2019-04 shall be considered, and if appropriate, enacted by the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township at its meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031.

**Ordinance #2019-02** shall amend Chapter 15 (Motor Vehicles and Traffic), Part 2 (Traffic Regulations) of the Code of Ordinances of the Township of Upper Macungie, establishing maximum speed limits on certain streets located within Upper Macungie Township, with said regulations being set forth more fully in the body of the Ordinance and in accordance with Title 75 Pa. C.S.A. Section 3362.

**Ordinance #2019-03** shall amend Chapter 15 (Motor Vehicles and Traffic), Part 2 (Traffic Regulations) of the Code of Ordinances of the Township of Upper Macungie, prohibiting truck traffic on Bastian Lane between Blue Barn Lane and Schantz Road within Upper Macungie Township, with said regulations being set forth more fully in the body of the Ordinance.

**Ordinance #2019-04** shall amend Chapter 16 (Parks & Recreation), Part 1 (Use of Park Facilities) of the Code of the Ordinances of the Township of Upper Macungie, establishing and amending the park rules for those parks located within Upper Macungie Township, said amendments being set forth more fully in the body of the Ordinance.

Copies of the proposed Ordinances shall be on display at the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building at the address indicated above, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, and on file at The Parkland Press, Allentown, PA, where it may be inspected.

Kalman Sostarecz, Township Secretary  
Mar. 27

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Upper Macungie Township Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on April 10, 2019 at 6:30 P.M., at the Township Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville (one mile west of Route 100), to hear the following appeals:

#04 19 010 The Zoning Appeal of St. Luke's Health Network, Inc. d/b/a St. Luke's University Health Network, 801 Ostrum Street, Bethlehem, PA 18015; for a dimensional variance from Section §27-704 - Freestanding & Wall Sign Area Requirements at 1251 Turnstone Drive. The property is located along Glenlivet Drive West at the intersection of PA Route 100 and is situated in the NC (Neighborhood Commercial) Zoning District.

#04 19 011 The Zoning Appeal of Wesley & Damaris James, 1552 Farm Lane, Bethlehem, PA 18018; for a variance from Section § 27-307. 2. A. f. to place a shed and in a 25' Wide Tree Preservation Easement as shown on the Treemap Estates recorded subdivision plan and § 27-403. 4. F. (2) to place a fence in an active easement at 263 Sylvia Lane. The property is located near the intersection of Sylvia Lane and Reid Lane and is situated in the R2 Zoning District.

Applicants must appear at the hearing.  
All interested parties may appear and be heard.

Kyle Kuëster, Zoning Officer

Mar. 27, Apr. 3

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lower Macungie Township Board of Commissioners will consider for possible adoption an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF LOWER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP AMENDING CHAPTER 15 OF THE LOWER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ESTABLISHING A PARKING PROHIBITION ALONG SERVICE ROAD ONE; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF PARTS OF THIS ORDINANCE DEEMED TO BE INVALID; REPEALING ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE." The proposed ordinance prohibits parking on the north side of Service Road One. The Board of Commissioners will consider the foregoing Ordinance at a public meeting on April 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lower Macungie Township Municipal Building, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, Pa. A copy of the full text of this Ordinance is available to any interested party for inspection and/or copying at the Township Municipal Building, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, Pa. or for inspection during normal business hours at the offices of this newspaper, East Penn Press, 1633 N. 26th Street, Allentown, Pa 18104 and the Lehigh County Department of Law, Room 440, 17 S. 7th Street, Allentown, Pa 18101. All interested parties are invited to attend this meeting.

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Renea Flexer, Asst. Township Manager/Secretary

Mar. 27

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lower Macungie Township Board of Commissioners will consider for possible adoption an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN ADDITIONAL AND AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING ELIGIBLE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN AND TRUST UNDER SECTION 457 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE ADDITIONAL AND AMENDED 457 PLAN AND TRUST; AND AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO MAINTAIN OR AMEND THE 457 PLAN(S) AS NECESSARY." The proposed ordinance amends the 457 Deferred Compensation Plan to add an additional plan and authorizes the Manager to revise the Plan if necessary. The Board of Commissioners will consider the foregoing Ordinance at a public meeting on April 4, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lower Macungie Township Municipal Building, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, Pa. A copy of the full text of this Ordinance is available to any interested party for inspection and/or copying at the Township Municipal Building, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, Pa. or for inspection during normal business hours at the offices of this newspaper, East Penn Press, 1633 N. 26th Street, Allentown, Pa 18104 and the Lehigh County Department of Law, Room 440, 17 S. 7th Street, Allentown, Pa 18101. All interested parties are invited to attend this meeting.

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Renea Flexer, Asst. Township Manager/Secretary

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Emmaus Borough Council will be voting on the following Ordinances at its April 15, 2019 Council Meeting:

## ORDINANCE NO. 1188

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF EMMANUS, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 20: SOLID WASTE: OF THE BOROUGH OF EMMANUS CONSOLIDATED CODE OF ORDINANCES, PROVIDING FOR REGULATIONS REGARDING THE DISPOSAL OF REFUSE AND RECYCLING

## ORDINANCE NO. 1189

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTIONS 351 THROUGH 356 OF CHAPTER 1 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES INVOLVING THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION RULES AND REGULATIONS AND ADOPTING AMENDED RULES AND REGULATIONS

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

Mar. 27

PUBLIC NOTICE  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SEALED PROPOSALS will be accepted by East Allen Township until 12:00 PM on Monday April 8, 2019 at the East Allen Township Municipal Building, 5344 Nor-Bath Boulevard, Northampton, PA 18067 for the following:

## "2019 East Allen Township Road Program"

## Base Bid:

215,089 Square Yards of Double Bituminous Seal Coat

## Additional Bids Roads:

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All materials must meet PennDOT Pub. 408 Specifications. All Bidders must be PennDOT prequalified and must supply proof of prequalification. Proposals must be on forms provided by the Township. Proposal forms, specifications and bid information can be obtained at the East Allen Township Municipal Building at the above address, or by calling 610-262-7961, Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM. All bids must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of ten (10%) percent of the bid made payable to East Allen Township. The successful bidder will be required to provide a Performance and Payment Bond in the amount of 100% of the contract price within 20 days of the award of the contract. All bids will be opened publicly and read at approximately 12:15 P.M. on Monday April 8, 2019 at the East Allen Municipal Building. The bids will be presented at the East Allen Township Board of Supervisors on Wednesday April 10, 2019 at approximately 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the agenda allows.

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East Allen Township  
Brent Green, Manager  
5344 Nor-Bath Boulevard  
Northampton, PA 18067  
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PUBLIC NOTICE  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING  
ZONING HEARING BOARD  
APRIL 2, 2019

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held by the Zoning Hearing Board of Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, PA on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Ave., Allentown PA 18103.

## 2242 CHURCH ROAD, BETHLEHEM, PA 18015 - APPEAL NO. A-19-11534

Hear the request of Marlene M. Bratsch for the Variance to Section 27-§307.2.A. regarding the required minimum setback for driveways from a lot line of an existing abutting single-family detached dwelling that requires the six-foot (6') setback. The applicant, Marlene Bratsch, has owned the property since 1963, and wants to keep the trees and constructed landscaping. The adjoining property owner, Terry Mutchler, obtained title to the ground encompassing the driveway as part of the Subdivision known as Southbury Park. The Mutchler family has agreed to the Boundary Line Adjustment.

## 321 EAST EMMANUS AVENUE (REAR), ALLENTOWN, PA 18103 - APPEAL NO. A-19-11538

Hear the Appeal of Mr. Julius Ewungkem with a request for a Variance to Section 27-§112.5(C) to convert a commercial use to a residential use according to 27-§306 where it is stated that a conversion of an existing building into an increased number of dwelling units is not permitted by right in the R-4 Zoning District known as Medium Density Residential District. The applicant is requesting favorable interpretation from the Zoning Hearing Board to allow the building to be converted into two (2) residential properties.

## 244 EAST LYNNWOOD STREET, ALLENTOWN, PA 18103 - APPEAL NO. A-19-11541

Hear the Appeal of Mr. Carlos Reyes regarding the Civil Enforcement Notice due to the violation of the Zoning Ordinance for construction of a garage between 2009 and 2011 without the required Zoning Permits. An additional structure was attached to make a second story that was never permitted, nor were building permits submitted. 1.) The applicant proceeded to encroach approximately 1,023 S.F. onto an adjacent property not owned by the applicant. The zoning office evaluated the maximum impervious coverage and indicates the applicant has exceeded impervious coverage by 1,503 SF, and shall require a Variance under 27-§307.B. Additional review of the building coverage was evaluated and indicates the building coverage currently exceeds approximately 2,310 S.F. which shall require a variance under 27-§307.2.B. for exceedance of the required building coverage.

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PUBLIC NOTICE  
COND #19-17001

The Board of Supervisors of East Allen Township will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Township Building, 5344 Nor-Bath Blvd., Northampton, PA 18067 to consider the following application:

The appellant, Imperial Realty Property Group, LLC, requests a conditional use approval to allow for warehousing to be constructed on the subject properties.

The properties are located at 5966 Nor-Bath Blvd, 7263-7311 Airport Road, 7273-7299 Park Drive, 7265-7299 Penn Drive and 5920-5966 Keystone Drive, Bath, PA 18014, in East Allen Township, Tax Parcels #L5-6-9, L5-6-9-1, L5-6-9A, L5-6-9B, L5-6-9C, L5-6-9D, L5-6-9E, L5-6-9F, L5-6-9G, L5-6-9H, L5-6-9J, L5-6-9K, L5-6-9L, L5-6-9M, L5-6-9N, L5-6-9P, L5-6-9Q, L5-6-9R, L5-6-9S, L5-6-9T, L5-6-9U, L5-6-9W, L5-6-9X, L5-6-9Y and L5-6-9Z located in the Light Industrial / Business Park (LI/BP) and Planned Commercial (PC-2) Zoning Districts.

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

Shawn Leidy

East Allen Township Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer

Mar. 20, 27

## Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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Difficulty Level ★★★

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

## Answer to previous puzzle

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See solution on page B12

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: T equals S

## PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

JUMBLE OF  
TREES

## ACROSS

- 1 Item in a place setting
- 6 Duffels, e.g.
- 10 Grand tales
- 15 Hence
- 19 Boundary
- 20 "— Three Ships"
- 21 — Park (Edison's home)
- 22 Took off
- 23 Really big tree?
- 25 Fundamental tree?
- 27 Longs for
- 28 Franz who composed "The Merry Widow"
- 30 Early settler
- 31 "Erin Burnett OutFront" channel
- 32 Passes on, as a story
- 34 French brandy
- 35 Chinese ideology centered around a tree?
- 39 Actor Mahershala
- 41 "Family Guy" creator MacFarlane
- 42 Soon
- 43 Two of Henry VIII's wives
- 44 Coagulates
- 46 "Gunga Din" studio
- 47 Recorded digitally, in a way
- 49 LAX datum
- 51 Wharf locale
- 56 Tree-dwelling hooded snake?
- 60 Tree whose trunk curves?
- 62 Cut of pork
- 63 Dutch Renaissance scholar
- 65 Rake part
- 66 Nyances
- 69 Item in a place setting
- 70 Of delicate beauty
- 72 A shot
- 73 Love-struck
- 74 Farm vehicle
- 75 Tree sold at a low price?
- 78 Cantaloupe growing on a tree?
- 83 More flavorful
- 84 Indy circuit
- 86 Auction site
- 87 Union promise
- 88 Slant
- 90 Millionaire-making game
- 93 Menial type
- 94 Provoked
- 98 Corp. wheel
- 99 Charm exuding from a tree?
- 102 Nancy of the House
- 104 Like sown seeds
- 106 "Ally McBeal" co-star Lucy
- 107 In total
- 109 — Gay (WWII B-29)
- 110 Tea-scenting blossom
- 114 Tree that makes people think like a French novelist?

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- 116 Window sections through which trees are visible?
- 118 Richard of "Wicked Woman"
- 119 "Für —" (piano piece)
- 120 Romances
- 121 Florida bird
- 122 Mail in
- 123 Steven of Aerosmith
- 124 Fit of pique
- 125 Plow inventor John

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- 1 Pleased
- 2 Citrus fruit
- 3 Hi-fi parts
- 4 Microchip material
- 5 Ships' rears
- 6 Slant
- 7 Viper variety
- 8 Old warship
- 9 Deary
- 10 Prepare for a pyramid
- 11 Oyster bead
- 12 People with clout
- 13 Applaud
- 14 Asked for
- 15 Nasal singing tones
- 16 Curtis of cosmetics
- 17 Overthrow
- 18 Potato stuff
- 24 Suvari of Hollywood

- 26 Ghostly cry
- 29 "Siddhartha" novelist
- 32 Soul music is a form of it
- 33 — soda (cleanser)
- 35 Singer Cohn
- 36 Jimmy Durante's "— Dinka Doo"
- 37 "Park" a ship
- 38 Central Georgia city
- 40 Gets bested
- 44 Vivid crimson
- 45 Egg pouch
- 47 Slender woodwind
- 48 CBS military law show
- 50 Fez dangler
- 52 Small and 70-Across
- 53 Chief Norse god
- 54 Talk wildly
- 55 Deuce taker
- 57 Hackneyed
- 58 Grid of fine lines in an eyepiece
- 59 Franklin of soul
- 61 — de-sac
- 64 See 71-Down
- 66 Splinter group
- 67 Laugh sound
- 68 Golf coups
- 69 Thurman of Hollywood
- 70 Funny Carvey
- 71 With 64-Down, hostile swarming insect

- 73 Suit fabric
- 74 Old computer language
- 76 Entertainer Zadora
- 77 Gift for a drawer, perhaps
- 79 Dealt (out)
- 80 In — of (replacing)
- 81 Gas leak giveaway
- 82 Zilch
- 85 Suburb of Dallas
- 89 Hack (off)
- 91 Prohibits
- 92 High crime
- 93 Bird feathers
- 94 Gaps
- 95 Mammal's fur
- 96 Comic Tracey
- 97 Roly-poly
- 99 Cavalry soldier
- 100 Actor Ruck
- 101 Talked like Cindy Brady
- 103 Alert at sea
- 105 Car contract
- 108 As is fitting
- 110 Joke
- 111 About
- 112 — do-well (idler)
- 113 Punta del —
- 115 1,000 G's
- 117 Luau bowlful

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See solution on page B11



PUBLIC NOTICE  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

**SEALED PROPOSALS FOR PAVING** will be accepted by the Hanover Township Board of Supervisors until **11:00 AM, Tuesday, April 9, 2019**, at the Hanover Township Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019, at 12:00 PM**, all bids will be publicly opened and read for the following work:

**2019 Bituminous Paving (Road Bid)**

5868 Tons of 12.5 mm Superpave, WMA PG 64-22 Wearing Course, 220 LB/SY, in place.  
15,312 SY, 2" Depth Gutter Milling  
11,425 LF 4" Double Yellow Center Lines with Glass Beads  
313 LF 4" Single White Edge Lines with Glass Beads  
8 Thermoplastic Arrow Pavement Markings  
6 Thermoplastic Only Pavement Markings  
75 LF 24" Thermoplastic Stop Bar Pavement Markings  
150 LF 12" Thermoplastic Stop Bar Pavement Markings

The bids will be presented to the Hanover Township Board of Supervisors at the regularly scheduled meeting on **Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at 7:00 PM** with the intent to Award.

All materials and workmanship must meet the requirements and standards of PennDOT Publication 408 - Specifications, and bidders must be PennDOT prequalified.

Proposals must be on forms provided by the Township. Proposals should be marked **"PAVING ROAD BID PROPOSAL FOR LETTING OF April 9, 2019"**. Proposal forms, specifications and bid information may be obtained at the above address or calling 610-866-1140, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM.

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of ten (10%) percent of the bid made payable to Hanover Township.

The successful bidder will be required to provide Performance and Payment Bonds in the amount of 100% of the contract price within 20 days of the award of the contract.

All work must be completed by August 2, 2019, for the Bituminous Paving (Road Bid); liquidated damages will apply at the rate of \$875.00 per day for each day beyond these dates that the work remains incomplete.

The Hanover Township Board of Supervisors reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals or portions thereof, and to delete projects and/or portions of the project depending on budgetary constraints and also to waive any technicalities deemed to be in the best interest of the Township.

PA Prevailing Wages apply to the 2019 Bituminous Paving (Road Bid) contract only.

By Order of the Hanover Township Board of Supervisors  
3630 Jacksonville Rd, Bethlehem, PA 18017

Mar. 13, 27

PUBLIC NOTICE  
ZONING HEARING BOARD  
UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP

NOTICE is hereby given that the Zoning Hearing Board will meet in the Upper Milford Township April 8, 2019 at 7:30 P.M. to hear the following appeals:

**ALL APPELLANTS MUST APPEAR AT THE HEARING**

**Appeal No. 2019-04**, John Alfonse of 7002 Carl's Hill Rd., Zionsville, PA 18092, request interpretations and/or variances to Article 3, Section 304.B.1. (Permitted uses within RS-R Zoning District) and Article 4, Section 401.B.2. (Multiple Principal Uses) of the Zoning Ordinance in order to conduct/operate a self-storage development at 5421 Vera Cruz Rd., Emmaus, PA 18049. Rural Suburban Residential (RS-R) Zoning District.

**Appeal No. 2019-05**, Daniel & Elizabeth O'Rourke of 6501 St. Peters Rd., Macungie, PA 18062, request interpretations and/or variances to Article 3, Section 304.B.1. (Permitted uses within R-A Zoning District) and Article 4, Section 401.B.2. (Multiple Principal Uses) of the Zoning Ordinance in order to conduct/operate a restaurant/banquet hall facility at 6501 St. Peters Rd., Macungie, PA 18062. Rural Agricultural (R-A) Zoning District.

ZONING HEARING BOARD  
UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP

Bennett Kohler, Chairman

Mar. 20, 27

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE OF CATASAUQUA ZONING HEARING #1-19 APRIL, 25, 2019**  
The Catasauqua Zoning Hearing Board will hear the following appeals on Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 7:30 PM in the Municipal Complex, 90 Bridge Street Catasauqua, PA 18032.

Approval of the minutes of the September 18, 2018 meeting.  
Reorganization of the Zoning Hearing Board.

Appointment of Conflict Solicitor - Michael Santanasto, Esq.  
**APPEAL #1-19:**

The Appeal of Renate Bruehl 120 Second Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032. Mrs. Bruehl is applying to establish a three (3) unit apartment building. The property is located in an R-2 Medium Density Residential Zoning District. Specifically, the Applicant is:

1. Requesting an interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance that the minimum tract area and lot width requirements set forth in Section 280-26, Attachment 1, and Footnote 1 do not apply to conversions, but only to newly constructed apartments.

2. As an alternative if the interpretation requested above that compliance with area and lot width provided in Section 280-26 is only applicable to apartments including conversions in the R-2 District, then the applicants are requesting a 2,953 square foot variance from the minimum lot area requirement for a three (3) unit apartment building and a 29 foot variance from the minimum lot width requirements for apartments.

3. Requesting an interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance that the basement area can be included in the total "heated indoor living area" and count towards the 3000 square foot requirement for apartment conversions.

4. As an alternative, if the basement is not included in the total "heated indoor living area" the Appellant is requesting a 305 square foot variance from Section 280-26 and 280 Attachment 2 Note 1, claimed to be a de minimus variance.

5. A Special Exception Permit pursuant to Section 280-26 and 280 Attachment 1 Table of Permitted Uses by District Primarily Residential Districts to convert the existing Single Family Detached Dwelling into a three (3) unit apartment building.

**APPEAL #2-19:** The Appeal of Giovanni Landi, 601 Front Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032, for a use variance relating to the property located at 413 Second Street, Catasauqua, PA. The Applicant was previously approved to use the garage area of the premises to provide storage for an off premises business. The applicant is now requesting a variance to use the office area located within the existing garage as an office for mental health counseling, including drug and alcohol counseling. The Property is located in an R-2 Medium Density Residential district.

Any other business that comes before the Board.

Applicants must be present for their hearing. Parties interested in a scheduled hearing may review the application and supporting documents at the municipal building during regular business hours.

Mar. 27, Apr. 3

PUBLIC NOTICE  
ESTATE NOTICEEstate of **HILDA T. THOMAS**, deceased,

late of Catasauqua,

Northampton County,

Pa. Letters Testamen-

tary have been granted

to the undersigned

of the decedent

to make known the same

and all persons indebted

to the Decedent to

make payment without

delay to:

**KAREN LUBENETSKI**,

Executor, 3210 Park-

view Drive, Whitehall,

Pa 18052.

Mar. 13, 20, 27

PUBLIC NOTICE  
BOROUGH OF NORTH CATASAUQUA  
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, the North Catasauqua Borough Civil Service Commission will hold a meeting on Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 7:30 PM. The purpose of this meeting to review the applications for the Police Department of North Catasauqua Borough.

Nancy K. Knecht, Borough Secretary

Mar. 27

PUBLIC NOTICE  
BOROUGH OF NORTH CATASAUQUA  
SPECIAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, the Council of the North Catasauqua Borough will hold a Special Meeting, Friday, March 29, 2019 at 5:30 PM. The meeting will be held at the Municipal Building, 4th and Arch Streets, North Catasauqua, PA. Council will be interviewing applicants for the Borough Secretary position.

Nancy K. Knecht, Borough Secretary

Mar. 27

PUBLIC NOTICE  
AUDITORS REPORT

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Financial Statement of **Catasauqua Area School District** from the Independent Auditor of France, Anderson, Basile and Company, P.C. for the Fiscal year Ended June 30, 2018, was filed in the at Lehigh County Courthouse, Clerk of Judicial Court and the Northampton County Courthouse, Criminal Department and the Carbon Lehigh I.U. It will be confirmed absolutely unless an appeal is taken therefrom within thirty (30) days after the filing thereof. The report is available for public inspection at the Administration Office of the School District during normal business hours.

Mar. 27, Apr. 3, 10

PUBLIC NOTICE  
ESTATE NOTICE

**ESTATE OF ELIZABETH STELLA DAVIS**, late of Upper Nazareth Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, deceased,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary in the above named Estate have been granted to **Shelly L. Schmauder**. All persons indebted to the said Estate are requested to make immediate payment and those having demands or claims to present the same without delay to: April L. Cordts, Esquire, 391 Nazareth Pike, Bethlehem, PA 18020.

Mar. 13, 20, 27

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**NOTICE OF NONPROFIT INCORPORATION**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Articles of Incorporation have been filed with the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of obtaining a Certificate of Incorporation pursuant to the Pennsylvania Nonprofit Corporation Law of 1988, as amended.

The name of the Nonprofit Corporation is:

**THE LOWER NAZARETH VILLAGE, INC.**

The Articles of Incorporation were filed on March 8, 2019. The purposes for which it was organized are as follows: Organize and operate an "Aging-in-Place" program consisting of a community of individuals and/or businesses dedicated to permitting its members to age in their homes in Lower Nazareth Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania.

APRIL L. CORDTS, ESQUIRE

391 Nazareth Pike

Bethlehem, PA 18020

Mar. 27

PUBLIC NOTICE  
ESTATE NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in the Estate of **DAVID THOMAS JONES, JR.**, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, the Register of Wills has granted Letters of Administration 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:

**Daniel Damian Jones**

8905 Cedar Rd.

Breinigsville, PA 18031

Or to his attorney:

Curtis C. Creveling, Esq.

CREVELING, CREVELING & CAPPELLINI

123 North Fifth Street

Allentown, PA 18102

610-435-8711

March 27, April 3, 10

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE OF NAOMI M. SHOOK**, deceased, late of 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:

**Bonnie L. Pattishall & Neil F. Shook,**

**Co-Executors**

c/o STEVEN BERGSTEIN, ESQ.

ENGEL, WIENER AND BERGSTEIN

825 NORTH 12th STREET

ALLENTOWN, PA 18102

Mar. 27, Apr. 3, 10

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE OF JAMES F. MUNSCH, JR.**, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

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 **Executor: John Munsch**, 6065 Chestnut Hill Road, Coopersburg, PA 18036.

Mar. 13, 20, 27

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on or after Friday April 5, 2019, at 9:00AM: Jetport Self Storage; 3322 Airport Road; Allentown, PA 18109; 610-266-7664 the undersigned, Jetport Self-Storage, will sell at Public Auction by competitive bidding, in accordance with the Pennsylvania Self-Storage Act, in an attempt to satisfy Owner's lien, the personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by: 140 - LV Baseball Academy 141 - J Griggs 144 - V Preston 168 - M Beiler 173 - E Sandrock 186 - N Nazario 202 - J Garcia 205 - K Johns 228 - W Brosky 240 - A Davis 252 - T Nolan 259 - R Thomas 272 - C Colon 310 - M Amaro

Mar. 27, Apr. 3

PUBLIC NOTICE  
ESTATE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, in the estate of the decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted letters, 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.

**DWIGHT H. SNYDER, late of North Whitehall Township.**

**EXECUTRIX: PAMELA C. KELCHNER**

c/o 1620 Pond Road, Ste. 200

Allentown, PA 18104-2255

or EDWARD H. BUTZ, ESQ.

LESAYVOY BUTZ & SEITZ

1620 POND ROAD, SUITE 200

ALLENTOWN, PA 18104-2255

Mar. 20, 27, Apr. 3

## BIDS WANTED

Sealed proposals will be received by the Township of Lowhill, Lehigh County PA until 2:00 pm on Thursday April 4, 2019 at the Lowhill Township Municipal Building, 7000 Herber Road, New Tripoli, PA 18066, bids will be opened at 2:15 pm for the following:

**400 Ton Superpave 9.5mm, PG64-22 wearing course 0.0-0.3 SRL-L; 200 Ton Superpave 19mm, PG64-22 binding course ANY, SRL ANY; 100 Ton AASHTO #57 Stone with 2.0% loss by wash; 12 Tons QPR; 400 Ton Anti-Skid Type 2 AS2; 7500 gallons Diesel Fuel, Winter Blend; 900 gallons 89 Octane Gasoline, Unleaded; 10 Miles 4" Double Yellow Waterborne Pavement Marking, 800 Ton AASHTO #8 Stone, 300 Ton PennDot 2A Modified Stone.**

All quantities are more or less. Proposed bidders shall be PennDOT pre-qualified per PennDOT specifications. All bidders must be in compliance with the CDL program. Liquidated damages apply at a rate of \$250.00 per calendar day. Proposals must be upon the forms furnished by Lowhill Township. All proposals must be accompanied by a 10% bid bond or a certified check equal to 10% of the proposal amount. A performance bond or certified check in the amount of the contract shall be furnished by the successful bidder within 20 days after the contract is awarded. The Municipality reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

**Contact Lowhill Township at 610-298-2641 to obtain bid documents.**

Lowhill Township - 2nd Class

Jill M. Seymour, Municipal Secretary

Mar. 27

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE of MARIE ANN MUSGNUNG**, late of the City of Bethlehem, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.

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

**DEBORAH ANN SPADACCIA, Executrix**

c/o WILLIAM P. LEESON, ESQUIRE

70 East Broad Street, P.O. Box 1426

Mar. 13, 20, 27

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**Estate of Charles J. Birkhead a/k/a Charles William Birkhead**, Deceased. Late of Salisbury Twp., Lehigh County, PA. Letters Testamentary on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to Christopher J. Birkhead, Executor, c/o Kevin D. Birkhead, Esq. 400 Maryland Dr., P.O. Box 7544, Ft. Washington, PA 19034-7544. Or to his Atty.: Kevin D. Birkhead, Timoney Knox, LLP, 400 Maryland Dr., P.O. Box 7544, Ft. Washington, PA 19034-7544.

Mar. 27, Apr. 3, 10

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE REGISTRATION NOTICE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in the Estate of the Decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted Letters Testamentary to the person named. All persons having claims or demands against said estate are requested to make known the same, make payment, without delay, to the executor or to his attorney named below:

**ELIZABETH M. GIROU**

Date of Death: February 11, 2019

Williams Township, Northampton

County, Pennsylvania

**Robert David Girou**

c/o William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire

211 W. Broad Street

Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517

Attorney: William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire

211 W. Broad Street

Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517

Mar. 13, 20, 27

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE of Stephen Ewanev**, deceased, late of Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

Address: **D. Courtney Hoffman aka**

**Daniel Cortney Hoffman**

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

Mar. 27, Apr. 3, 10

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE of MARTHA REILLY**, Deceased, late of Nazareth, County of Northampton, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Letters of Administration c.t.a. 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 **Catherine F. Haller, 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.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**Estate of Elsie H. Schugardt, a/k/a Elsie Schugardt**, 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 **Catherine F. Haller, Executrix**, c/o 1620 Pond Road, Suite 75, Allentown, PA 18104; or William H. Dayton, Jr., Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., 1620 Pond Road, Suite 75, Allentown, PA 18104.

Mar. 27, April 3, 10

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of Act No. 295 of 1982, as amended, of intention to file, or the filing of, in the Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, a certificate for the conduct of a business in Pennsylvania, under the assumed or fictitious name, style or designation of: **IQ FIBERS** with its principal place of business at: 433 Little Creek Drive Nazareth, PA 18064

The name and address of the entity owning or interested in said business is:

The Best Fiber Company, LLC  
433 Little Creek Drive  
Nazareth, PA 18064

The registration was filed on the 8th day of March, 2019.

Attorney's name  
Timothy J. Duckworth, Esq.

Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C.

Address: 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404  
Bethlehem, PA 18017

Mar. 27

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**Estate of Hollie E. Deifer**, Late of South Whitehall Township, County of Lehigh, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the Executrix named below, who request that 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:

**Sandra Beth Yanders-Gackebach, Executrix**  
c/o Norris McLaughlin, P.A.

515 West Hamilton Street, Suite 502  
Allentown, PA 18101

or to their attorney:

R. Nicholas Nanovic, Esquire  
Norris McLaughlin, P.A.

515 West Hamilton Street, Suite 502  
Allentown, PA 18101

Mar. 27, Apr. 3, 10

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE of Edward T. Barrett**, Late of the City of Allentown, County of Lehigh, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Letters of Administration have been granted to the Administrators named below, who request that 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:

Holly Weiss and Sean Barrett, Co-Administrators  
c/o Norris McLaughlin, P.A.

515 West Hamilton Street, Suite 502  
Allentown, PA 18101

or to their attorney:



PUBLIC NOTICE  
PROPANE BIDS WANTED

Sealed proposals will be received until 8:45 AM, April 25, 2019 at North Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3256 Levens Road, Coplay, PA, then publicly opened and read at approximately 9:00 AM the same day, for the following item:

## PROPANE FUEL +/- 50,000 GALS. TOTAL 2-YEAR CONTRACT

Bid proposals may be obtained at the Township Office between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM Monday through Friday.  
The successful bidder shall be required to supply Performance Bond as required by law.

The North Whitehall Township Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any, all or a portion of any bids, due to budgetary reasons and to accept any-bid which, in its judgment, is in the best interest of the Township.  
Brenda Norder, Secretary  
NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP

Mar. 27, Apr. 3

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners will hold a regular Public Meeting on Monday, April 1, 2019 at 7:00 p.m., in the Public Meeting Room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA, to discuss and take action on the following legislation:

## 1. BILL NO. 13-2019

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6 TO CREATE A NEW ARTICLE (ARTICLE IX) TO ADDRESS UNNECESSARY NOISE AS A NUISANCE AND TO PROHIBIT UNNECESSARY NOISE AFTER CERTAIN HOURS. Sarah M. Murray, Solicitor

## 2. BILL NO. 14-2019

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR 2019 CONCRETE CURB AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS; CONTRACT NO. 19-03R IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (DEVELOP) Sarah M. Murray, Solicitor

## 3. BILL NO. 15-2019

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS FOR THE WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT SWORN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS; CONTRACT NO. 19-11; IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (POLICE) Sarah M. Murray, Solicitor

## 4. BILL NO. 16-2019

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR PURCHASE OF (1) 2020 MACK DUMP TRUCK CAB AND CHASSIS FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 B. ORDINANCE. (PUBLIC WORKS) Sarah M. Murray, Solicitor

## 5. BILL NO. 17-2019

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR PURCHASE OF A NEW 2019 CATERPILLAR MODEL 930M WHEEL LOADER, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (PUBLIC WORKS) Sarah M. Murray, Solicitor

## 6. BILL NO. 18-2019

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL TO RETAIN A GOVERNMENT RELATIONS ADVOCATE TO ASSIST, ADVISE AND AGGRESSIVELY PURSUE GOVERNMENT FUNDING FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING, AND OTHER SUCH CAPITAL PROJECTS AND LAND ACQUISITIONS TO BE DETERMINED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (ADMIN) Sarah M. Murray, Solicitor

## 7. BILL NO. 19-2019

TITLE: TITLE: AN ORDINANCE DEFERRING THE REQUIRED INSTALLATION OF CURBING AND SIDEWALKS ALONG THE RELIANCE STREET FRONTAGE OF 4157 RELIANCE STREET FOR A DISTANCE OF APPROXIMATELY 180 FEET, AS REQUIRED IN CHAPTER 21, SECTION 21-16 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP. (DEVELOP) Sarah M. Murray, Solicitor

Copies of the full text of the proposed legislative items may be examined by any citizen in the Administration Office of the Township of Whitehall, PA, on any business day between 8:00 am and 4:00 p.m. The Whitehall Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Assistance for the visually and/or hearing impaired is available upon request at least five (5) working days prior to this meeting.

/s/Thomas Slonaker

FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL

Mar. 27, Apr. 3

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 April 16, 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 # 1934 - Carolina Lozada** - 4414 Phillip Street, Whitehall, PA 18052. Location: 4414 Phillip Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 558040047436, the subject property is located in a R4 Medium Density Residential Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a special exception to Sec. 27-43 C (3), of the Zoning Ordinance regarding expanding family daycare into a group day care from six children to twelve children at a time. Continued to this meeting at the request of the Applicant.

**DOCKET # 1936 - American Promotional Events dba TNT Fireworks** - c/o Debbie Ivins 120 Louise Lane, Bartonsville, PA 18321. Location: 2180 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549852398039, the subject property is located in a C2 Regional/Community Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a special exception to Sec. 27-65 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding a temporary use to have a temporary retail sale of Pennsylvania legal fireworks from June 21, 2019 to July 5, 2019 in the parking lot.

**DOCKET # 1937 - Dollar General c/o Chris Evans** - 100 Mission Ridge, Goodlettsville, TN 37072. Location: 1167 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549787536152, the subject property is located in a C2 Regional/Community Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a variance to Sec. 27-104 A of the Zoning Ordinance regarding multiple uses on lot for proposed additional retail tenant.

**DOCKET # 1938 - LV Rocks, LLC** - 7918 Main Street, Box 17, Fogelsville, PA 18051. Location: 2160-2180 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549852398039, the subject property is located in a C2 Regional/Community Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a special exception/interpretation to Sec. 27-65 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding seasonal use for bungee trampoline amusement in the parking lot.

**DOCKET # 1939 - Randall Hoffman** - 6203 Saddle Road, New Tripoli, PA 18066. Location: 1314 Pennsylvania Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549755035287, the subject property is located in a R4 Medium Density Residential Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a variance to Sec. 27-74 (E) (2) (a) (1) and (3) of the Zoning Ordinance regarding setbacks, front - 25 feet required, and 20.65 feet proposed; side yard - 8 feet required and 2.30 feet proposed, to construct a single-family dwelling on a pre-existing lot of record.

**DOCKET # 1940 - First International Event, LLC Cirque Bellucci** - 7123 4th Avenue #C8, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Location: 250 Lehigh Valley Mall, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549881626487, 549891278471 and 549891034514, the subject property is located in a C2 Regional/Community Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a special exception to Sec. 27-65 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding a temporary use for a Circus without animals from April 22, 2019 to May 6, 2019 in the parking lot.

**DOCKET # 1941 - Christopher Dague** - 3354 W. Columbia Street, Whitehall PA 18052. Location: 3354 W. Columbia Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 548970117410, the subject property is located in a R-2 - Low Density Residential Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a variance to Sec. 27-71 E (2)(a) of the Zoning Ordinance regarding rear yard setback for proposed sunroom addition.

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

The decisions of the 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 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 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 rights 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

Mar. 27, Apr. 3

PUBLIC NOTICE  
OF RESCHEDULED SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

The Whitehall-Coplay School District gives public notice of the cancellation of the May 13, 2019 regular School Board meeting. The meeting is rescheduled for Monday, May 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, 2940 MacArthur Rd., Whitehall, PA 18052.

Mar. 27

PUBLIC NOTICE  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Township of Whitehall is soliciting Bids for:  
**BID 19-15 "MICRO-SURFACING TYPE A SINGLE & DOUBLE APPLICATION"**

Sealed bids will be accepted on or before, Wednesday, April 17, 2019, 3:00 p.m. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud, Thursday, April 18, 2019, 3:00 p.m. at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052.

Bid documents can be obtained at the Municipal Building or call 610-437-5524. They are also available online: [www.whitehalltownship.com](http://www.whitehalltownship.com), under administration, then purchasing tab.  
MARY ANN MILLER, CPPO  
Purchasing Agent

Mar. 20, 27

PUBLIC NOTICE  
Bids Wanted

Sealed proposals for the joint road oil bid will be received by Heidelberg Township, Lowhill Township, Lynn Township and Weisenberg Township at the Heidelberg Township Municipal Building at 6272 Route 309, Suite A, New Tripoli PA 18066 until 9:00am on Thursday, April 11, 2019 when they will be opened and read.

Joint Oil Bid for a total of 180,000 gallons of CRS-2PME-3M, delivered and applied by contractor at the direction of each township: 40,000 gallons Heidelberg Township, 30,000 gallons Lowhill Township, 50,000 gallons Lynn Township, 60,000 gallons Weisenberg Township.

Proposed bidders shall be PennDOT pre-qualified as per PennDOT specifications. All bidders must be in compliance with the CDL program. All quantities are more or less. Liquidated damages apply at a rate of \$250 per calendar day. A performance bond or certified check in the amount of 100% of the contract for each township shall be furnished by the successful bidder within 20 days after the contract is awarded. Heidelberg Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Proposals must be on forms provided by Heidelberg Township and obtained at the Heidelberg Township Municipal Building or by calling Janice Meyers at 610-767-9297 x14.

Janice M. Meyers,  
Heidelberg Township Administrator  
Mar. 20, 27

PUBLIC NOTICE  
INVITATION TO BID

Heidelberg Township will receive sealed bids for the installation of a new propane gas fueled heating system and air conditioning system in the township municipal building. The project will consist of the installation of new heating system for the municipal offices and for the adjacent garage bay, ductwork, propane gas lines within building and air conditioning system. Details are available in the bid specifications packet available at the Heidelberg Township Municipal Building, 6272 Route 309, Suite A, New Tripoli PA 18066 or by contacting the Township Administrator at 610-767-9297 x14. Sealed bids will be received until 3:00PM, Thursday, April 11, 2019 (prevailing time) at the Heidelberg Township Municipal Building and will be publicly opened on this date. The bids will be reviewed and awarded by the Board of Supervisors at their regular meeting on Thursday, April 18, 2019 at 7:30pm. All bids shall be sealed, marked and addressed as follows or similar:

Heidelberg Township  
6272 Route 309, Suite A  
New Tripoli, PA 18066  
Attn: Heating and Air Conditioning Systems Bid

The project for which bids are being solicited may be subject to the applicable provisions of prevailing wage rates. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid security made payable to Heidelberg Township in the amount of ten (10%) percent of the bid price and in the form of a Certified Check, Bank Check or a Bid Bond issued by a surety meeting the requirements of Article 5 of the General Conditions. The successful bidder must furnish Performance and Payment Bond in an amount equal to the contract price meeting the requirements of Article 5 of the General Conditions. Heidelberg Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Janice M. Meyers  
Heidelberg Township Administrator  
Mar. 20, 27

PUBLIC NOTICE  
Bids Wanted

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors, Heidelberg Township, Lehigh County at the Municipal Building at 6272 Route 309, Suite A, New Tripoli, PA 18066 until 9:00am on Thursday, April 18, 2019 when the bids will be open and read.

Materials: All quantities are +/-  
-- 25 tons high performance cold patch  
-- Stone - 100 tons #1 stone, 800 tons #8 stone 1.0% washed, 500 tons #57 stone 2.0% washed, 500 tons 2A aggregate, 500 tons 2RC  
-- 400 tons PennDot approved Type-2 anti-skid  
-- 100 tons B1 sand  
-- 100 tons R6 Riprap  
-- 2,500 tons 9.5mm Superpave asphalt wearing course  
-- 400 tons 25mm Superpave asphalt wearing course

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of 10% of the proposal, made payable to Heidelberg Township. The materials specified herein shall meet the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation specifications. Escalator clause will apply. The successful bidder, when awarded the contract, shall furnish a certified check or a bond with suitable, reasonable requirements, guaranteeing performance of the contract or delivery to be made with sufficient surety in the amount of 100% of the amount contracted within 20 days after the contract is awarded.

All proposals must be made upon the form furnished by the Township, obtained at the Municipal Building or by calling the Township Administrator at 610-767-9297 ext. 14. The Supervisors reserve the right to reject any item or items and also reserve the right to reject any and all proposals.

Janice M. Meyers, Township Administrator

Mar. 27, Apr. 3

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE of RALPH D. PAUL, JR.**, late of the Township of Moore, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.

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

**DAVID A. MEASE SR., Executor**  
c/o GAIL WEINER SHEARER, ESQUIRE  
or to: GAIL WEINER SHEARER, ESQUIRE  
70 E. Broad Street  
PO Box 1426  
Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Townships of Heidelberg, Lowhill, Lynn, Washington & Weisenberg and Borough of Statington, Lehigh County, PA will hold regular workshops as necessary to discuss updates to "The Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan for The Northern Region of Lehigh County". The workshop will be held at the Lowhill Township Municipal Building, located at 7000 Herber Rd, New Tripoli, PA 18066 on the first Tuesday of each month in 2019 at 5:30 pm.

Brian C. Carl  
Weisenberg & Lowhill Townships Administrator  
Mar. 27

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE of CATHERINE WOLF a/k/a CATHERINE C. WOLF**, deceased, late of Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the individual named below, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

**Robert C. Wolf, Jr., Executor**  
c/o Eric R. Strauss, Esquire  
**WORTH, MAGEE & FISHER, P.C.**  
2610 Walbert Avenue  
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Mar. 20, 27, Apr. 3

## PUBLIC NOTICE:

**Estate of M. Minerva Fries**, deceased, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

**Ronald G. Schwartz, Executor**  
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

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