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Keeping his dream alive

Café the Lodge honors its founder

By CAROL SMITH
Special to the Bethlehem Press

They were all there for Aaik. Two years ago, thanks in large part to the vision of Aaik Van Munster, Café the Lodge opened its doors.

A standing-room-only crowd filled Café the Lodge's rooms March 21 to celebrate Van Munster's life and the Café's second anniversary. Van Munster, who would have turned 58 in March, passed away in October.

He served as Café the Lodge's founding director and the director of the Mental Health Recovery Lodge.

With the focus on finding housing and a job for people with mental disabilities, Café the Lodge, at 427 E. Fourth St., Southside Bethlehem, offers flexible jobs and daily recreational programs. While some members live at The Lodge, (short for The Mental Health Recovery Lodge of Northampton County), many live in surrounding rental properties.

Jackie Teitsworth, who replaces Van Munster as the



Lodge's director, welcomed those who came to pay tribute to him.

"Aaik is too soon gone," Teitsworth said in describing Van Munster's battle with a difficult cancer, but his vision continues. His contributions as a leader of mental health recovery in the Lehigh Valley will not be forgotten, said Teitsworth.

Written and performed by Lodge members and supporters, there were poems, songs and a drum solo to honor the man who touched so many lives on their road to recovery from mental illness.

Wendy Heatley of Northampton County Mental Health dedicated a poem to Aaik that captured his enthusiasm for people. She concluded her verses with Aaik's answering machine message: "Hello this is Aaik. How can I help you see how great you are?"

Zulma, Aaik's wife, who remains involved with the Lodge's activities, thanked everyone for the scrapbooks filled with stories and pic-

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LEHIGH CO Raising taxes should be harder

By MARK RECCEK
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Lehigh County Commissioner Michael Schware wants the process of raising taxes in the county to be more difficult.

Schware, at the March 26 board of commissioners meeting, announced a proposal to require approval from a majority of the commissioners and voter approval of a referendum question.

A final resolution of Schware's proposal must first be drafted. His proposal would seek budgetary cuts across the line, with the exception of paying the county's debt. Schware's proposal would also maintain a reserve in the county stabilization fund.

Such a proposal requires a change in the county Home Rule Charter.

According to Schware, his proposal would be a fair approach toward levying taxes in the county and ensure the commissioners are held accountable to the taxpayers.

"My goal is to bring some balance back to the budget process," he said.

County Director of Administration Daniel McCarthy recommended the commissioners explore more specific cuts to the budget rather than universal cuts. He also suggested the commissioners See LEHIGH on Page 2

"Van Munster was the embodiment of wellness and recovery. For all of us who knew him, he has touched our lives in a special way. We hope that we can all pull together in his memory and keep this dream alive."

CAFÉ THE LODGE'S WEBSITE



PRESS PHOTOS BY CAROL SMITH

A March 21 second anniversary celebration of Café the Lodge honored its founding director, Aaik Van Munster who passed away in October 2013. To keep Aaik's spirit alive and to watch over the Café as it continues to grow, a portrait was hung on one of Café the Lodge's walls. Artwork was provided by North Carolina mural artist Patti Hricinak-Sheets. Zulma, Aaik's wife, and Jackie Teitsworth, the Lodge's new director, unveiled Aaik's portrait.



In this Bethlehem Press file photo, Jim Gillen, a Lodge volunteer and certified peer support counselor, and Aaik Van Munster, the Lodge's program director, observe the goldfish in the Lodge's backyard pond, which is open to the public and easily accessible from the South Bethlehem Greenway.

LEHIGH COUNTY

Brace proposes lower legislature membership

By ANN BARTHOLOMEW
Special to The Press

Reducing the size of the Pennsylvania State Legislature has been suggested frequently over the years and, two bills, House Bill 1234 and House Bill 1716, are now being considered.

House Bill 1234 would decrease the number of House districts represented to 153 (down from 203 districts), and maintain the current 50 Senate districts.

House Bill 1716 would decrease the number of Senate districts to 38, but keep 203 House districts.

Both have passed in the House with bipartisan support.

One of them would need to be passed in both houses in two consecutive years, then approved by voters if it is to become law, as a constitutional change is needed.

Geoff Brace, speaking to the League of Women Voters of Lehigh County March 10, suggested a reduction in the size of

the legislature would not result in any significant cost savings and is approaching problems in the state the wrong way.

Brace is a newly elected Lehigh County commissioner and a student of government and politics. A lively discussion of state government followed Brace's presentation.

The bills address the size of the legislature but not efficiency or accountability, Brace said.

Only the salary line in the budget would be reduced; improvements

in government are not addressed, he said.

Matters such as access to the governing body, governmental accountability, conflicts of interest by elected representatives, transparency in the election process, reapportionment controlled by political parties, and a number of other deficiencies are not addressed in any legislation before the state House.

Voters like their state representatives' ability to act on their behalf with departments of state gov-

ernment, Brace said.

He knows this from experience: His day job is working on behalf of residents in the Allentown office of State Rep. Mike Schlossberg, D-132nd, who voted for one of the bills.

Brace said the current interest in making the state legislature smaller offers an opportunity to better the system of governance in multiple ways.

This is a more complex approach than simply reducing the legislature's size, but Brace says it is more important.

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PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

As the April 15 tax filing deadline approaches, how do you feel about paying taxes and is there anything you would like changed?



"I'd like to see more done with the taxes I do pay."
Edward Davis
Bethlehem Township



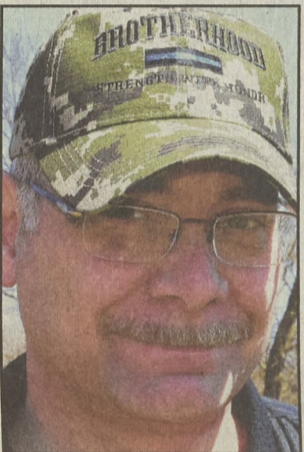
"I'd like to see the loopholes closed."
Lori Venegas
Hanover Township



"I think there should be more consistency, something done to balance it out so everyone is paying their fair share."
Lori Lopez
Allentown



"Maybe we should not be so quick to give foreigners a tax break and instead give Americans a tax break."
Tom Alenci
Bethlehem



"I don't have a problem with paying taxes, but I think the government needs to examine a little more closely how that money gets spent."
Dean Flyte
Fountain Hill



"I mean everybody would like to pay less taxes and get more out of them. It's just whether you agree or not with how your tax dollars are being spent."
Nick Kochard
Bethlehem



LEFT: Lodge member and songwriter Brad Kingsley, Mirka Picone and artist Patti Hricinak-Sheets hang a hand-painted mural of a tree with its roots exposed in Café the Lodge's meditation garden just off Southside Bethlehem's Greenway. **RIGHT:** Zulma Van Munster, Diane Roth,



CEO of Resources for Human Development, and Jackie Teitsworth, the Lodge's new director, listen to Jo Sieger's drum solo, which concluded the March 21 Café the Lodge tribute celebration of Aaik Van Munster's life. Sieger leads drum circles at the Café the second Saturday of the month.

DREAM

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tures that helped her healing process.

To keep Aaik's spirit alive and to watch over the Café as it continues to grow, a portrait was hung on one of the Café the Lodge's walls. Artwork was provided by North-Carolina mural artist Patti Hricinak-Sheets.

For the Café's outdoor meditation garden, there is a hand-painted wall mural of a tree with its roots exposed also drawn by Hricinak-Sheets. Zulma pasted a yellow bird watching over the tree to symbolize Aaik's continuing presence. Other birds, which were pasted on by Lodge members and supporters, had messages of hope written on the birds' reverse side. There is also a bell chime for the garden contributed by Diane Roth, CEO of Resources for Human Development. Roth praised Aaik's contributions and his ability to challenge each person he met to dream more, but to be real with each other.

The garden is alive with spring flowers and a bench and plaque by the pond dedicated to

'I'm the Evidence'



As part of Café the Lodge's second anniversary celebration March 21, Lodge member Kevin Coomer, became the fourth recipient of an "I'm the Evidence" award for his many contributions to the Lodge and his living example that people recover from mental illness. Coomer, whose hand-drawn portrait was hung on the wall next to the earlier honorees, coordinates the open mike and live music performances the first and third Fridays of the month at the Café.

Aaik. As the Lodge celebrates its second anniversary, expansion is in its future. For the Bethlehem location, Ian Panyko, the Lodge's

assistant director, says catering on-site and off-site will be promoted. With Chef Allen Singer in charge, the Café the Lodge staff will custom fit its menu offerings to

the clients' needs, whether for a party of 21 or 150.

In addition to catering events, the Café is open for breakfast and lunch. Panyko said he appreciates the community support the Café has received. People walk in from the Greenway, enjoy the food and become volunteers or come back for one of the programs.

Step it Up, a free weekly walking program, is set to begin as the weather warms up. Other monthly programs, which are largely member run, include live music, drum circles, writers' and poets' night, mindfulness meditation, support groups, skill building classes and more. Most of these activities are open to the public.

For more information on Café the Lodge's programs, menu items, catering offerings and calendar of events, go to the Lodge's website at www.thelodge-rhd.org.

With the focus on finding housing and a job for people with mental disabilities, this spring the residential program will open seven one-bedroom apartments in Easton. For information, call 610-419-3318.

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LEHIGH

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ask voters to make changes to the Home Rule Charter.

"The executive will make those cuts as the executive sees fit, but every cut he makes he may be saying, 'I'm only doing this because the commissioners require it to be done,'" he said. "To some extent you'll get the blame but not the credit."

Schwartz argued finding the necessary cuts is difficult.

"Those who say we should find the cuts and make the cuts know it's not going to happen," he said.

Commissioner Scott Ott said universal cuts would interfere with the county executive's function and role.

"I don't like telling the executive what to do when it comes to his spending priorities within the budget," he said.

Commissioner Geoff Brace argued Schwartz's proposal would circumvent a level of board

responsibility and accountability, pressing for cuts in spending particular commissioners did not vote for.

Commissioner Percy Dougherty expressed support for Schwartz's proposal. He said, however, such a move might, as he said, "freeze the budget."

"I'd like to see you try to figure out a way to avoid that," he said.

Commissioner David Jones Sr. said he feels the proposal might adversely affect the relationship and balance of power between the executive and legislative components of the board and county.

"I see it more as a leveling of the playing field rather than giving advantage to one person or another," Schwartz said.

Even if Schwartz's idea moves forward and voters approve the referendum in the November election, the proposal would not take effect until the 2016 budget season.

Schwartz said he hopes a second reading of his proposal will take place during the June commissioners meeting.

MONEY & TAXES

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Tax Tips from IRS.gov Seven Common Tax Mistakes to Avoid

We all make mistakes. But if you make a mistake on your tax return, the IRS may need to contact you to correct it. That will delay your refund.

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- Filing status errors.** Some people use the wrong filing status, such as Head of Household instead of Single.
- Math mistakes.** Double-check your math. For example, be careful when you add or subtract or figure items on a form or worksheet.
- Errors in figuring credits or deductions.** Many filers make mistakes figuring their Earned Income Tax Credit, Child and Dependent Care Credit, and the standard deduction. Follow the instructions carefully when figuring credits and deductions. For example, if you're age 65 or older or blind, be sure you claim the correct, higher standard deduction.
- Wrong bank account numbers.** You should choose to get your refund by direct deposit. But it's important that you use the right bank and account numbers on your return.
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Wednesday, April 9

Salvation Army drop-in center for seniors, 9:30 to 11 a.m.; Bible study, open to all adults, 11 a.m.; Women's ministries, Spreading Cheer in Nursing Homes by Ed Johns, 1 p.m.; 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681.

Thursday, April 10

Salvation Army Women's Ministries, seniors 50 and over, Bingo, 10:45 a.m. followed by lunch (donation), 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681.

Delaware Lehigh Amateur Radio Club, open to the public, 7:30 p.m. Program: "D-STAR Systems Today," - AI / W3CE. Bethlehem Township Community Center, 2900 Farmersville Road. Visit www.dlarc.org or KE3AW@ARRL.NET or call 610-432-8286.

Friday, April 11

OLPH gift raffle, food, fun, 5 to 9 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 3221 Santee Road. Call 610-868-6570.

Bethlehem V-Day Volunteers, three readings from "The Vagina Monologues", 7 p.m. Banana Factory, W. Third St. Call 610-390-4324.

Saturday, April 12

North Side Historic District, spring clean up, 8 to 11 a.m. Main and Broad streets. Gloves, trash bags and safety equipment will be provided.

Southside spring cleanup (litter only), 8 a.m. to noon. L.U. campus square, New and Morton. No dumpsters.

OLPH, gift raffle, food, fun, 1 to 8 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 3221 Santee Road. Call 610-868-6570.

Bethlehem V-Day Volunteers, three readings from "The Vagina Monologues", 4 and 7 p.m. Banana Factory, W. Third St. Call 610-390-4324.

Sunday, April 13

OLPH gift raffle, food, fun, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 3221 Santee Road. Call 610-868-6570.

Holy Family Manor Auxiliary, spring sale, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Main Lobby, Holy Family Manor Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 1200 Spring St. Potted plants, baked goods, merchandise, Gift Shop and Café. Call 610-865-5595, ext. 522 or 409.

Bethlehem V-Day Volunteers, three readings from "The Vagina Monologues", 4 p.m. Banana Factory, W. Third St. Call 610-390-4324.

Monday, April 14

Hi Neighbors, First Presbyterian Church, 10 (Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln, Elizabeth Cohen) and 11:15 (Macular Degeneration: To See or Not To See - That Is The Question, Marilyn McDonald, M.D.- Ophthalmology) a.m., 2344 Center St.

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

MEETING BOARD

Wednesday, April 9

Lehigh Co. Commissioners, 7:30 p.m., public hearing room, Government Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.

Thursday, April 10

Bethlehem Water Authority, 3 p.m. City Hall, 10 E. Church St. Bethlehem Planning Commission, 4 p.m. 10 E. Church St.

Monday, April 14

Bethlehem Housing Authority, 4:30 p.m., Monacacy Towers Community Room, Main St. and Union Blvd. BASD Finances And Human Resources committeeS, 6 p.m. Edgeboro room, Education Center, 1516 Sycamore St. Fountain Hill Planning Commission meeting, 7 p.m., 941 Long St.

Tuesday, April 15

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

Thursday, April 17

Bethlehem City Redevelopment, 4 p.m., 10 E. Church St. Northampton Co. Commissioners, 6:30 p.m., Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

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Resources help older drivers

Older drivers, their friends and families are advised Pennsylvania has several resources available to help keep drivers of all ages safe.

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If an older driver's friends or family are concerned the driver may not have the capacity to safely operate a vehicle any longer, a list of warning signs, safety tips and a "Talking with Older Drivers" publication is available on the "Older Driver" page at www.JustDrivePA.com.

More information is available at www.PAcommutes.com.

By CAROLE GORNEY
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The year Bethlehem native Miriam Schaeffer was born, Babe Ruth began playing professional baseball for the Red Sox, a proclamation establishing Mother's Day was signed by President Woodrow Wilson, Ford Motor workers' salaries rose to \$5 for an eight-hour day of work, and World War I began.

The year, of course, was 1914, and this March 30 Schaeffer celebrated her 100th birthday with dozens of family and friends at the Bethany UCC Church on Market Street. There were balloons, birthday cake and a laudatory citation marking the occasion from the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.

The citation, sponsored and presented in person by State Rep. Steve Samuelson, praised Schaeffer for "demonstrating the highest ideals of citizenship," and for her contributions "to the enrichment and betterment of succeeding generations." In presenting the citation, Samuelson called Schaeffer "a vital and integral member of her community," noting her 40 years as a public school teacher and long-time volunteer service to Meals on Wheels.

Explaining that Schaeffer's actual birthday was the day before, Samuelson joked that the honoree was already on the way to her second 100 years. Adding a personal note, Samuelson revealed that he, Schaeffer and her 95-year old husband John were once neighbors. "She had the friendliest house in the whole neighborhood," Samuelson recalled.

A 1934 graduate of



Miriam Schaeffer celebrated her 100th birthday with husband John and friends from the Bethany UCC, including Jan Smith.

PRESS PHOTOS BY CAROLE GORNEY



Retiree Bob Mantz of Bethlehem is on hand to wish his former third-grade teacher Happy 100th Birthday.

Kutztown Normal School, the centenarian began her teaching career in a one-room schoolhouse in Seidersville. After eight years, she had an offer to teach in Bethlehem, and

she said she jumped at the chance. She retired in 1974, with an incredible record of never having missed a day of school.

She met her husband of 44 years at Bethany UCC.

He was a cousin of one of the church's ministers, and he taught Sunday school there with his future wife. He still sings in the choir every Sunday.

The couple never had children of their own, but Mrs. Schaeffer said, "We have a lot of children that we came in contact with during our life." One of those 'children,' Bethlehem retiree Bob Mantas, was a former student in third grade. He made a point of being at the birthday party to honor his teacher.

It's a given that every centenarian has to be asked what is the secret of long life and good health, so she was asked. Her answer: "I don't know. I know I love everybody - you have to love everybody - there's no reason not to."

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In Genesis 22 God instructed Abraham to take Isaac, his son of promise, to the mountain of Moriah to sacrifice him for a burnt offering. Abraham made the three-day journey with his son. As they neared the location, Isaac noted they had fire and wood, but he asked, "Where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham answered "My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering." Arriving at the site, Abraham built the altar, arranged the wood, and tied up his only son on the altar. As he took the knife to slay his son, the Lord stopped him, and provided a ram as the substitute sacrifice. Interestingly, Mount Moriah is Calvary where Jesus was crucified on the cross. We see a double type of Christ here. First, Abraham is a type of God the Father Who gave His only Son, Jesus Christ, pictured by Isaac, to be sacrificed for our sins on Calvary. In the second type, we see God providing the substitute sacrifice of His Son, Jesus the Lamb of God, pictured by the ram (male lamb). Isaac pictures each member of the human race who must die for his sins because "the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23).

Next week I will continue this subject under the title of "The Passover Lamb."

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Erwin "Bart" W. Bartholomew

Air Force veteran of 21 years

Erwin "Bart" W. Bartholomew, 86, of Bethlehem and formerly of Brodheadsville, died March 14, 2014, while at Muhlenberg Hospital. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Erwin W. Sr. and Ruth M. (Jacobs) Bartholomew. He was the husband of Jacqueline S. (Aungst) Bartholomew for 65 years.

He was a Liberty HS graduate.

He was in the U.S. Air Force for 21 years, retiring in 1969, and served during the Korean and Vietnam Wars.

He was a member of the Zion United Lutheran Church, Brodheadsville, where he was an usher, choir member and property chairperson.



In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Sharyn E. Gallino of Douglassville; a son, William H. and his wife Barbara of Fredericksburg, Va.; a sister, Ruth Bealer of Bethlehem, five grandchildren, Matthew and his wife Rosalind Gallino and their sons, Jonathan and Alexander; Christopher and his wife Katherine Gallino and their daughter, Rowan; Michael Gallino; Sean and his wife Nina Bartholomew; and Heather Bartholomew.

He was predeceased by a brother, Donald; and two sisters, Dolores Danner and Barbara Nickels.

Contributions may be made to Zion United Lutheran Church, 1919 Route 209, Brodheadsville, PA 18322.

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

Shirley A. Werner

secretary

Shirley A. Werner, 78, of Hanover Township, died March 29, 2014, at Westminster Village, Allentown. Born in Bath, she was a daughter of the late Paul and Julia (Feirtag) Haftl. She was the wife of Leo H. Werner for 57 years.

She was a secretary for the Penn Dixie Company.

She was a member of the former Christ Lutheran Church, Hanover Township, where she was active in Sunday school, Vacation Bible School, with the Memorial Committee and was on the church council.

She was a volunteer at Musikfest for more than



15 years.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a daughter, Kristi and her husband Chuck Wert of Nazareth; a son, Kelly Werner of Suffolk, Va.; a brother, Adolph Haftl of Bath; three sisters, Arien Oplinger and Helen Henning, both of Bath, and Esther Iligash of Coplay; and four grandchildren, Julia, Matthew, Kayla and Kyle.

She was predeceased by five siblings, Paul Haftl, Julia Cory, Louise Fisher, Freida Burley and Celia Selfies.

Contributions may be made to St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 206 E. Main St., Bath, PA 18014.

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

George F. LaBarre

beam yard

George F. LaBarre, 70, of Bethlehem, died March 20, 2014, at Moravian Village, Bethlehem. Born in Allentown, he was the son of the late Donald and Marian LaBarre. He was the husband of Mona (Cogorno) LaBarre for 22 years.

He worked in the beam yard for Bethlehem Steel Corporation for many years.



In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Thomas and his wife Michelle Guth of Northampton; three grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and longtime friend, Stanley Bielanski.

He was predeceased by two brothers, Donald and Richard LaBarre.

Contributions may be made to Lehigh Valley Hospice, Development Dept., P.O. Box 4000, Allentown, PA 18105-4000.

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

Mary Klement Renner

of Bethlehem

Mary Klement Renner, 86, of Bethlehem, died March 21, 2014, at Cedarbrook Nursing Home. She was the daughter of the late Julius and Helen (Deri) Klement of Bethlehem. She was the wife of

the late Charles Renner.

She is survived by a brother, Julius and his wife Sandra Klement of Lower Saucon Township.

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

Ramon Pabon

Holy Infancy member

Ramon Pabon, 71, of Bethlehem, died April 2, 2014. Born in Patillas, Puerto Rico, he was the son of the late Benito and Francisca Pabon Cruz. He was the husband of Janice I. (Lazarus) Pabon for 32 years.

He was a parishioner of Holy Infancy Catholic Church and a former member of the prayer group and choir.

He was active in the Blind Association of the Lehigh Valley. He won various bowling awards. He went camping with the Beacon Lodge.

In addition to his wife,

he is survived by six siblings, Maria E. and her husband Francisco Rivera Jr., Lydia and her husband Juan Roque, Iris M. and her husband Santos Martinez of Bethlehem, William Cruz of Springtown, Francis Cruz of Bethlehem, and Benita and her husband Edward Davis of Easton; 13 nieces and nephews; and seven great-nieces and great-nephews.

Contributions may be made to the church, 312 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem, PA.

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

David "Kelly" MacLaughlin

teacher, sports coach

David "Kelly" MacLaughlin, 83, of Fullerton, died March 26, 2014, at Westminster Village, Allentown. He was the husband of the late Betty Jane (Maddox) MacLaughlin.



He was a 1948 graduate of Catasaquua HS. He attended Long Island University. He earned a bachelor's degree from East Stroudsburg University and a master's degree from Lehigh University.

He was in the U.S. Marines from 1951 to 1953 during the Korean War.

He taught history, social studies and world cultures at Central Dauphin HS, Harrisburg, and at Emmaus HS. At Emmaus, he was a football and basketball coach.

He was a member of First Baptist Church, Allentown, where he taught Sunday school, ushered, and sang in the choir.

He was first team all-Lehigh Valley basketball league in 1947 and 1948. He was on Associated Press' High School all-state honorable mention in 1947 and Associated Press All-State college team in his senior year.

He was an all confer-

ence basketball selection for East Stroudsburg State Teachers College in 1956 and 1957, the first in school history. He was inducted into the Lehigh Valley High School Basketball Hall of Fame in 2004, East Stroudsburg University Basketball Hall of Fame in 2007, and to the Catasaquua HS Basketball Hall of Fame in 2008.

He was a member of the Whitehall AARP.

He is survived by a son, Keith and his wife Ann of Hummelstown; a daughter, Diane and her husband John Horoski of Schnecksville; a grandson, Sean and his wife Katie McKenna of Northampton; a granddaughter, Sarah and her husband John Goodman of Hummelstown; three granddaughters, Sarah Goodman of Hummelstown and Stephanie and Kristin Horoski of Schnecksville; two brothers, Richard and his wife Eleanor of Catasaquua, and Donald and his wife Pat of Liverpool, N.Y.; and several nieces and nephews.

Contributions may be made to Westminster Village, 803 N. Wahneta St., Allentown, 18109, or to St. Luke's Hospice Development Office, 801 Ostrum St., Bethlehem 18015.

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

George W. Olexa

roll mill crane man

George W. Olexa, 103, of Bethlehem, died March 23, 2014, at Holy Family Manor, Bethlehem. He was the husband of the late Rose C. (Henn) Olexa.

He was a crane man in the roll shop of Bethlehem Steel for 44 years, retiring in 1976.

He is survived by two sons, James and his wife Paula and Richard and his wife Aase; two grandchildren, Richard and

Jacqueline Olexa; and a great-grandson, Joshua.

He was predeceased by his brothers, Stephen and John Olexa, sisters Anna Jablonski and Veronica Horvath and a grandson, Scott Olexa.

Contributions may be made to Holy Family Manor, 1200 Spring St., Bethlehem, PA 18018.

Arrangements were made by Connell Funeral Home Inc.

Michael Hushkek

press operator

Michael Hushkek, 85, of Bethlehem, died March 19, 2014, at his home. He was the husband of the late Anna (Clement) Hushkek.

Born in Allentown, he was a graduate of Allen HS.

He was in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He was a press operator

and worked for many years at Holben Printing, Allentown.

He is survived by five stepchildren, Gregory and his wife Diane Kaintz of Bethlehem, Edwin of Whitehall, John of Trexlertown, Joseph of Arizona and Eleanor Velecki of California.

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

Vilma Yelovich

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church member

Vilma Yelovich, 96, formerly of Bethlehem, died March 14, 2014. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Peter and Frances (Kozar) Sebanics. She was raised in Slovenia until 1933. She was the wife of the late Stephen L. Yelovich for 59 years.

She worked at the Laros Silk Mill.

She was a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church and of its Altar Guild, Evangelism Committee and the Ladies' Quilting Circle. She had attended Flohr's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Gettysburg.

She is survived by two sons, the Rev. Stephen F. and his wife Margaret of Cumberland, Md. and the Rev. Fr. Elias and his wife Bonnie of Orrtanna; nine grandchildren, Sonya Sell of Cumberland, Md.; Andrei and his wife Karen Yelovich of Baltimore,

Md.; Larisa and her husband Mark Martin of Leesburg, Va.; Tatiana and her husband Tony Friend of Cumberland, Md.; Irene Yelovich and her husband Brad Senning of Pittsburgh; Sophia and her husband Mike Holland of North Huntingdon; Dr. Helena Yelovich of New York City; Alexandra and her husband Nicholas Gangewere of Chambersburg; and Xenia Yelovich of Greensburg; 11 great-grandchildren, John and Benjamin Sell, Alex and Stephanie Yelovich, Helena, Joseph and Jonathan Holland, Coraline and Clara Gangewere and Tobias and Beatrice Senning.

Contributions be made to the church, 521 E. Locust St., Bethlehem, PA 18018.

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

Velma V. Hall

church secretary

Velma V. Hall, 92, died April 2, 2014, in the



Phoebe Home, Allentown. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late John and Mary (Fliszar) Verban. She was the wife of the late Elwood Hall for 53 years.

She worked in the former Bethlehem Steel library. She then was a secretary for St. John's Windish Lutheran Church, Bethlehem, for 40 years where she was a member of the choir and ladies missionary

group. She was a member of Faith Lutheran Church, Whitehall.

She is survived by a daughter, Mary Jane and her husband Martin Jacoby of Allentown; and a nephew, John Roths of College Station, Texas.

She was predeceased by two brothers, Louis and John Verban Jr.

Contributions may be made to the church, 3355 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052 or to Phoebe-Devitt Homes, Phoebe Ministries, 1925 W. Turner St., Allentown, PA 18104.

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

Marjorie Katherine Rohmann

of Kirkland Village

Marjorie Katherine Rohmann, 90, of Kirkland Village and formerly of Bedminster, died March 14, 2014, of Alzheimer's disease. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., she was a daughter of the late Herbert Bertrand and Emily Maude (Doscher) Boschen. She was the wife of the late Charles P. Rohmann for 56 years.

She earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics at Brooklyn College.

She worked in the actuarial department of Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, Manhattan.

She was a community volunteer in Horsham during her 1954 to 1983 residence there.

She is survived by a son, Carl and his wife Kathy of Bethlehem; two daughters, Karen and her husband John Stanley of Fogelsville and Laura and her husband William Walter of New Canaan, Conn.; a brother, Walter Boschen of Mirror Lake, N.H.; a sister, Virginia Kirch of Wolfeboro, N.H.; and eight grandchildren.

Contributions may be made to the Fisher Center for Alzheimer's Research Foundation, 199 Water St., 23rd Floor, New York, N.Y. 10038 or by visiting www.alzinfo.org.

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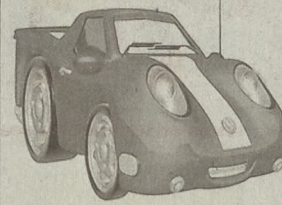
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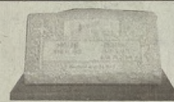
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D&L celebrates 25 years of growth

By NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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In 1984, President Ronald Reagan signed an act that would allow for the designation of special historically significant territories for conservation and public enjoyment.

The idea of a National Heritage Area readily embraced by some with an eye toward preserving the past and natural beauty while building partnerships for improved tourism and business, and the Delaware & Lehigh heritage Corridor was the third such area designated nationwide.

In honor of the D&L's 25th anniversary, employees, friends and prominent guests celebrated with an informational luncheon at ArtsQuest



Delaware & Lehigh Heritage Corridor President Elissa Garofalo lauds the great strides the organization has made in preserving nature and history while bringing communities together.

SteelStacks March 26.

Stretching 165 miles from Wilkes-Barre to the outskirts of Philadelphia, the D&L follows the rivers of the same names through dozens of towns and valleys and includes museums, historic sites, parks, camping, boating, hiking areas and much more.

D&L President Elissa Garofalo presented a synopsis of accomplishments and what can be expected of the nonprofit in the near future. "In a nutshell, we preserve the historic pathway that carried coal and iron from Wilkes-Barre to Philadelphia. We were established in 1988, and today the D&L trail connects the nature, culture, community recreation and our industrial heritage."

Garofalo said the first 10 years were essentially dedicated to planning, while the next 10 were used for implementation; installing signage, recruiting partners and refurbishing old industrial sites.

Today, new partnerships – such as with the William Penn Foundation of Philadelphia – continue to enhance the D&L's reputation and resources.

A new advertisement will help attract new partners, Garofalo said, by focusing on nature and the environment, health and recreation and community and economic impact. Twelve miles of new trail were built last year. Education is a priority, with cooperation between local museums and sites and institutions such as Bethlehem Area School District and St. Luke's Univer-

sity Hospital. "We're not Nowhere, USA," said Garofalo of the Lehigh Valley. "We are a very distinctive place, whether Bethlehem or Jim Thorpe." For information on the D&L trail and the many programs and events it enables, visit the website at www.delawareandlehigh.org.

'Spring on Fourth' approaches

By NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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We've finally slunk from the most volatile, protracted winter in decades, and the surest sign that the weather has turned at last is upon us: "Spring on Fourth! What's on Third?" arrives on the Southside April 26.

Known by many locals simply as "Chili Day," the popular public festival now in its 19th year sweeps out the dusty cobwebs of hibernation as businesses along Third, Fourth and New streets open their doors and compete in the Chili Cook-Off.

As stores, galleries and restaurants welcome visitors for a little Saturday perusing, live music will

echo through the streets and family-friendly stops for games, crafts and snacks will dot the neighborhood.

This year's event will begin with a parade sponsored by Cops 'n' Kids, whose numerous events will be held at Northampton Community College.

There will also be a Health Expo at the Banana Factory and the Mini Maker Faire at ArtsQuest's SteelStacks. In addition, many Southside merchants will feature sales and special discounts throughout the afternoon.

This year's chili contest features an anticipated 30-plus entries ranging from mild, spicy, five-alarm chili to vegetarian versions of the

dish. Chili Tasting Passports are on sale now, online only, at www.downtownbethlehem.org. Tickets are \$5 for 10 tastings. For those who miss out on the ticket sales, there will be a list of restaurants who will be selling chili by the cup on the day of the event.

Tastings will be from noon-2 p.m. There are teams of judges who are going to taste all of the chili, but visitor opinions are important, too. Rank your top three chili choices on the back of your Passport to vote for the winner of the "People's Choice" and return it to the Embassy Bank Tent located in the Third and New streets parking lot for collection by 2:30 p.m.

Cops 'n' Kids offers free family entertainment

By NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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The city's stellar Cops 'n' Kids Literacy Program is joining in the fun of "Spring on Fourth! What's on Third?" festival as usual April 26, but this year they'll be starting things off with a celebratory parade on the Greenway at 11 a.m.

The program's eighth annual "Celebration of Reading . . . and the Arts and Sciences" will be held at the Northampton Community College's Fowler Family Southside Center.

Thanks to its many community partners, the celebration offers local families an opportunity to enjoy an all-expense-paid afternoon filled with food, music, crafts, face painting, sports demonstrations, photos with some of the area's most loved mascots, including the Just Born Peep – and free books. Performances include singing,

dance and theater groups from area schools at indoor and outdoor venues.

City of Bethlehem Mayor Robert Donchez, Bethlehem Area School District Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy, retired City of Bethlehem Police Commissioner Randy Miller, City of Bethlehem Chief of Police Mark DiLuzio and their army of community volunteers will cook and serve free hot dogs and drinks to the families who attend.

Cops 'n' Kids is an initiative that pairs area youth with new and gently used books generated through book drives and donations from local businesses, schools, individuals and others in the community who have responded overwhelmingly to the program's mission of "connecting kids and community through literacy."

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ALA
Fight for Air
set for May 4

The American Lung Association in Pennsylvania will host its second annual Lehigh Valley Fight For Air 5K Run and Walk beginning at 8 a.m. May 4 at Rodale Fitness Park, Mosser Road, Trexlertown.

Event check-in and registration begins at 8 a.m. There will be a dove release at 9 a.m. There will be a children race ages 10 and under fun race at 9:15 a.m. The main race starts at 9:30 a.m. Registration deadline for all events and for a dove is April 15.

For information, call 610-253-5060, email dleuthardt@lunginfo.org or visit www.lunginfo.org/lvwalkrun.

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Pediatric program
vote encouraged

The Pediatric Cancer Foundation of the Lehigh Valley and ArtsQuest have been selected as a finalist to present Pablove Shutterbugs Pediatric Photography Arts Program for Children and

Teens as part of the LIVE-STRONG® Community Impact Project. This project was created to bring proven cancer support programs to communities across the U.S. Grantees will be determined through a public, online voting campaign that runs through 5 p.m. Central Standard Time April 11. Visit vote.LIVE-STRONG.org.

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PPL donates
to food bank

The Hispanic Center Lehigh Valley has received a PPL Electric Utilities donation of \$4,500 from its Operation HELP hardship fund to be used toward the HCLV food pantry division of the Community Empowerment Program.

The pantry, located at 520 E. Fourth St., is open to Southside residents from 1 to 3 p.m. on the third Saturday of every month. Proof of residence is required.

SALVATION ARMY
Local tax filing
help offered

The Salvation Army, Bethlehem, will host trained AARP tax aide volunteers to provide tax filing assistance from 9 a.m. to noon every Monday through Friday through April 14.

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Support donors
sponsors needed

The Cancer Support Community of the Greater Lehigh Valley is seeking businesses and individuals to donate to and participate in the Strides for Hope and Wings for Hope annual events.

The Strides running team will participate in the St. Luke's Half Marathon and 5K April 27. The Wings butterfly release and celebration of life will be held in September. Call 610-861-7555 or email dpost@CancerSupportGLV.org.

PCFLV
Run, walk set
for April 12

The Pediatric Cancer Foundation of the Lehigh Valley will hold its fifth annual 5K walk/ 8K run April 12 at the Ironton Rail Trail, Coplay. There will be music, clowns, food, raffles, costumed characters and a free fun run and obstacle course for children.

Proceeds will benefit families of local children battling cancer. Registration and packet pickup begins at 7 a.m.; 8K Run at 8:30 a.m., 5K Walk at 9 a.m. and the free children's event (registration required) at 10:30 a.m. at the Coplay Park Pavilion. Online registration closes today. For more details and to register, visit <http://runtolive.kintera.org/g/faf/home/default.asp?ievent=1095378&lis=1&knetae1095378-46879FEDC39E4A91A8F9057AB1A05AB9>.

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● Palm Sunday - April 13
Communion Service - Chapel
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● Good Friday - April 18
Good Friday Service - Chapel
12:00 - 1:00 pm Soloist
Tenebrae Service - Sanctuary
7:30 pm 10:10 Worship Band

● Easter Day - April 20
Morning Watch Prayer and Scripture
Sunrise Vigil - Chapel
6:15 am *No child care
Communion Service - Sanctuary
8:00 am Communion
Cantata Domino
Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
10:15 am Youth Choir, Chancel Choir
Alternative Worship - Fellowship Hall
9:00 am 10:10 Worship Band,
Children's Choir, Junior Bells
10:30 am 10:10 Worship Band
Arabic Language Worship - Chapel
10:00 am
Chin Language Worship - Chapel
12:15 pm
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● Maundy Thursday - April 17
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
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Maundy Thursday
12:00 noon Litany & Holy Eucharist
7:00 pm Evening Prayer & Holy Eucharist
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Dellegrotti new Becahi girls head coach

By PETER CAR
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Well, you can say that things worked out pretty quickly for Bethlehem Catholic picking a new girls basketball coach.

Just over a week after Bill Lanscek was relieved of his duties as head coach after 10 years on the job, Becahi administration had a new coach in place with former Southern Lehigh boss, Megan Dellegrotti. Becahi made the hiring official to the public following a press

conference last Friday afternoon to formally introduce the former Berwick and University of Delaware standout.

The decision to hire Dellegrotti was an easy one, which was partly why it came so quickly.

"I think anybody that has looked at what we've done with new coaches, we've really taken our time," said Bethlehem Catholic principal John Petruzzelli. "We were under no real timetable. We just wanted to

get the right person and when we saw Megan's resume come through, I mean, who wouldn't want to talk with her?"

"We had several interviews with candidates, but she was our top choice right away and when we knew that, there was no reason to waste any more time."

Petruzzelli said there were 16-18 applicants for the job and interest had drawn immediately once word of Lanscek's release. Dellegrotti resigned from Southern Lehigh a month ago, but the

news wasn't made public until last week, as the Spartans just had their end of season banquet last Saturday.

The Spartans lost one of the best coaches in the area, as Dellegrotti compiled a 104-28 record in five years.

Her teams won three Colonial League titles and qualified for the PIAA 3A playoffs twice in five years. They went 19-7 last year and 15-1 in the Colonial League, losing to Northwestern

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INSIDE SPORTS

BASEBALL

Busy week ahead for teams trying to get back on the field.



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SOFTBALL

Hawks are off to a 4-1 start.



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THEY SAID IT

"It's obviously an exciting opportunity for me. It's a challenge I'm excited for and that I'll embrace. I bring a lot of passion, dedication and energy for the game. I'm very driven and I want to pass that along to the kids."

MEGAN DELLEGROTTI
NEW BECAHI GIRLS COACH

BRIEFLY

ALUMNI DAY

Liberty will be hosting its 2nd Annual Alumni Day - Past, Present, Future.

It will take place Saturday, May 3 rain or shine. It will include school tours, food vendors, games, basket raffle, club and activities fair and a bonfire.

Special performances from the Liberty band, choral groups, alumni band, step and dance teams and talent show performers.

Alumni are invited from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and everyone is welcome from 4-9 p.m.

CONNIE MACK Lehigh Sports tryouts

Lehigh Sports Association's Connie Mack team will be holding baseball tryouts for players on:

Saturday, April 19, 9-10:30 a.m.

Saturday, April 26, 9-10:30 a.m.

Sunday, April 27, 4-5:30 p.m.

The tryouts will be held at the Lehigh Little League Senior Baseball Field, Monocacy Park, on Illick's Mill Road.

Connie Mack Baseball is for players 13-17. Players cannot turn 17 before May 1 of this year.

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Eric Madison (12) and Grady Hackett (9) of Becahi go up to block a shot from Liberty's Nate Hassler during a recent match. Both teams are off to slow starts this season.

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VOLLEYBALL

Off to a rough start



Freedom's Mike Daly and the Pates are like Liberty and Bethlehem Catholic - looking to pile up some more wins this season.

By PETER CAR
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Neiad Ammary knew this was going to be a bumpy road this season with an entirely new roster on the volleyball court, but Ammary isn't in full-blown panic mode just yet.

Liberty (1-4) has lost four straight since a season opening win over Nazareth, including three straight losses to divisional opponents Bethlehem Catholic, Easton and Freedom.

With Whitehall, Parkland and Delaware Valley on the docket this week, Ammary and company could be on the verge to lose grip on the season

this early, but the head coach isn't feeling the pressure.

"I don't know if we're in a rebuilding phase," Ammary said, "but we do have a lot of young guys without any real varsity experience. They're just not consistent at this point. It takes awhile to process the speed of the game and I think we're working through that right now."

With senior Steven Hughes, middle blocker, returning as the lone player on the team with extensive varsity experience, the growing pains may seem to last a bit longer for the Hurricanes, but

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TENNIS

Another close one for Freedom

By KATIE MCDONALD
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Freedom High School's boys tennis team may be becoming more used to close calls than they ever wanted to, after winning three, 4-3 matches so far this season.

One of those matches, against Central Catholic, came down to a number one doubles match for Ross Sonnenblick and Doug Leeson. Sonnenblick referred to that victory as miraculous. For Leeson, it was an upset.

Either way, the Patriot pair had to come back from a loss in the first set to not only win their match, but the match for the whole team.

"We stuck to our game plan and didn't let [Central] control the pace," said Sonnenblick.

That match brought the whole Patriot team together in a big way.

"The team cheered and supported us. It electrified us. But at the end of



PRESS PHOTO BY KATIE MCDONALD

Ross Sonnenblick and Doug Leeson pulled off a big doubles win in the team's 4-3 victory over Central recently.

the day, I was just thinking about the overall win," Leeson said.

Leeson is Freedom's number three singles player this year, having played doubles last year.

"It's been pretty much what I expected. Most

three singles players in the league are consistent. The actual playing of singles is easier. Mentally, it's not because you're locked in yourself," said Leeson.

Sonnenblick is Freedom's number two sin-

gles player this year, having played number three singles last year.

"At second singles, you see people who hit harder. It's really about drilling the ball," Sonnenblick said.

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LACROSSE FHS teams remain steady Fundraiser is this weekend

By PETER CAR
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Freedom's lacrosse club has been doing whatever they can to help the program build and the results seem to be paying off for the Patriots early in the season.

The boys sit at 2-0 overall heading into this week, including an 8-7 victory over Liberty last week, which keeps them atop the Lehigh Valley Conference's White Division with a 2-0 LVC mark. The girls side are 3-2 and have posted a 1-2 mark in LVC play, picking up a 13-10 win over Liberty last week as well.

It's starting to come together for the Patriots on both ends, especially for the girls program, who have dealt with a different head coach in each of the past four seasons.

With longtime field hockey coach Charis Innarella taking over this year, there's been a sense of stability and consistency with Innarella around.

"I don't plan on going anywhere," said Innarella about staying on as head coach for the long haul. "The seniors on this team have had a new coach every year, so I'm hoping to bring some stability."

Stability is key for any team looking for advancement and Innarella saw the opportunity come alive last November when she took over and had 20 kids jump on board for intramurals.

"I'm here to build the program and make sure that these kids are being taken care of," she said. "They want to work hard and they're giving everything they have for me. I'm really pleased with the results so far."

And those results lead up to this weekend's Fourth annual LAX Day at Freedom High School, which is the biggest fundraiser of the year for the program.

Since lacrosse is not recognized as a varsity sport in the Bethlehem Area School District, Liberty and Freedom need to fund the program entirely on their own.

For the Patriots, this Saturday is their mecca, as the day starts off at 9am and runs through 6pm.

A full slate of youth games leads up to the

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BASEBALL

Busy week ahead for teams

By PETER CAR
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Nick D'Amico misses having to manage a baseball game.

The Patriots, just like many teams in the area, have experienced long lay-offs because the weather.

In particular, the Pates haven't played since last Tuesday's 4-3 win over Bethlehem Catholic, as they sit at 3-1 overall and 2-0 in Lehigh Valley Conference play, which is good for tops in the East Division.

After losing eight starters to graduation, the Pates looked as if they haven't taken that much of a step backward this spring.

"I knew that this group of guys could do this," D'Amico said. "I just wasn't sure that they'd put it together this quick. We've been able to have three guys pitch well for us, but now we're going to have a bunch of games cramped into a small amount of time, so we'll have to move some arms around."

Freedom's game against East Stroudsburg South on Monday was canceled because of rain, which gives them three contests this week against Allen, Nazareth and Liberty. Tuesday's game against the Canaries (1-2, 1-2) was past Press deadlines, while they'll battle

the Blue Eagles (1-2, 1-2) Thursday and Liberty (2-2, 1-2) on Friday.

Nick Mazzella and John Yocum have led the charge on the mound, as Mazzella has registered a victory and Yocum has picked up two wins in relief.

"I guess you can say Yocum has surprised me a little bit being a sophomore," D'Amico said. "Things will definitely get more difficult this week with all the games we'll have, so it'll be an opportunity to see how we can handle it, along with playing a rival with Liberty at the end of the week."

After winning two straight to start the season, the Hurricanes have lost two straight to LVC foes Emmaus (5-0, 4-0) and Easton (3-2, 2-1), both by 6-3 scores. With Parkland (5-0, 3-0), Allen and Freedom on the schedule, this will be an interesting week for the Hurricanes to stay above .500.

Bethlehem Catholic (0-3) has struggled early on, getting outscored 20-4 in losses to Liberty, Freedom and Parkland. The Hawks try to get in the win column this week against Central Catholic (2-2, 1-1), Northampton (1-4, 0-4) and Easton.



PRESS PHOTO BY CHUCK HIXSON

Robert Mercado and the rest of the Hurricanes are looking to get back on the field this week.

TRACK

Pates and Hawks split

By KATIE MCDONALD
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Bethlehem Catholic's girls track and field team scored a 88-57 victory over Freedom last week.

"I think we were surprised we beat them by that much because we're struggling this year, but it was nice," said Becahi senior, Megan Tucker.

Individual event winners were Dana Neupater in the 100 dash with a time of 13.3, Nicole Lacherza in the 200 with a time of 27.7, Tucker in the 400 with a time of 1:02.2, and Maggie Melhem in the 800 with a time of 2:34, all from Becahi.

Freedom distance runner, Shaina Palmer, won the 1600 with a time of 5:25.0 and the 3200 with a time of 11:42.0.

The Hawks and Patriots split on the hurdling events with Jayla Northington winning the 100 with a time of 17.5, and Brie Baughman winning the 300 with a time of 51.2.

Becahi won all relay events, however.

Lacherza, Neupater, Lauren Posch, and Maddie Reightler placed first in the 4x1 with a time of 51.7, Neupater, Posch, Tucker, and Hannah Tanzcos won the 4x4 with a time of

4:20.9, and Rowan Pepe, Melhem, Maggie Walters, and Kassi Yocco took first place in the 4x8 with a time of 10:38.

Tucker said, "[In the 4x4 relay], we had the lead by the time I handed off to Hannah. I thought [Freedom's] 4x8 was pretty good in the past, but the sprint relays, I thought we would win."

Gia Erie won the shot put with a distance of 35-0, and the discus with a distance of 92-2 for the Patriots.

Tess Zamolyi placed first in the javelin with a distance of 92-0, Posch won the triple jump and the long jump with distances of 30-11 and 15-3, respectively, Jordan Young took first place in the high jump with a height of 4-7, and Katie Roszyk was first in the pole vault with a height of 7-0.

Freedom's boys track and field team defeated Becahi, 74-67.

Individual event winners were Freddie Simmons in the 100 dash with a time of 11.2, and Donovan West in the 200 dash with a time of 22.1, both for Becahi.

Tony Flatts took first place in the 400 with a time of 52.2, Ben Ziegler placed first in the 800 with

a time of 2:08, Chris Kelly won the 1600 with a time of 4:38, and Will Alpaugh was first in the 3200 with a time of 10:26, all for the Patriots.

Like the girls, Becahi and Freedom split in the hurdles as Simmons won the 110 with a time of 15.5, and Anthony Ortiz won the 300 with a time of 42.2. Antwon Keenan, West, Mike McDaniel, and Simmons combined to win the 4x1 relay with a time of 44.1, but the Patriots won the next two relays.

Ortiz, Alex Rivera, Jonathan Gill, and Flatts won the 4x4 with a time of 3:34.3, and Ziegler, Alpaugh, Jason Lopez, and Kelly won the 4x8 with a time of 8:41.

Bethlehem Catholic's Ryan Schadowski took first place in the discus with a distance of 91-3, Dave Donchez placed first in the long jump with a distance of 19-2, and Simmons won the high jump with a height of 5-9.

Freedom's Cordell Cotto took first place in the shot put with a distance of 38-8, James Dailley won the javelin with a distance of 102-8, and Gonzalez placed first in the triple jump with a distance of 38-7.



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Bethlehem YMCA Stars

The Bethlehem YMCA Stars swimming team competed in the 2014 YMCA state championships held at Penn State University on the weekend of March 23. Several swimmers performed well and the following earned points with their performances: mixed 200 medley relay (Sean Vannata, Nolan Vannata, Kristian Olsen, Jacob Jones) 2nd 1:44.61, girls 100 free 15+ Kayla Drago 5th 53.78, girls 100 fly 15+ Kayla Drago 6th 59.88, boys 200 free relay 11-12 (Stephen Hoyer, Jonathan Drago, Josh Noel Alasdair Bell) 6th 1:50.50, boys 200 medley relay 11-12 (Stephen Hoyer, Alasdair Bell, Jonathan Drago, Josh Noel) 6th 2:03.87, girls 400 IM Anna Lehr 7th 4:56.63, boys 50 breast 11-12 Alasdair Bell 8th 34.22, girls 100 fly 13-14 Anna Lehr 8th 1:02.91, Sabrina Krotzer 9th 1:02.97, boys 100 IM 10U Addison Colling 11th 1:16.81, girls 200 medley relay 15+ (Shannon Hogan, Caroline Madigan, Kayla Drago, Shelby Turner) 11th 1:54.93, boys 200 free relay 13-14 (Robert Negron, Theo Bissell, Chris Chambers, Jase Smith) 11th 1:38.61, girls 200 medley relay 13-14 (Kendra Smith, Jaclyn Baker, Sabrina Krotzer, Anna Lehr) 12th 2:00.73.

OUTDOORS

How-to guide on preserving a catch for mounting

By NICK HROMIAK
Special to the Press

You've just caught the largest trout of your fishing career and have to make a quick decision as to what to do with it. Do you have it mounted, take a photo or two then release it, or, eat it?

If you opt to have it mounted and want a good skin mount, there are some do's and do not's to follow in so doing.

According to Bob Danenhower of Bob's Wildlife Taxidermy in Orefield, a good fish mount starts at the stream or lake when it's caught. He says the worst thing an angler can do is leave the fish lay on the ground in sunlight. Other bad ideas are putting the fish on a stringer and back in the water, in a bucket of water or on ice where it's trashing on the ice cubes that will make it lose its scales.

"If you place the fish on the ground in sunlight," said Danenhower.

"The fish will jump about thereby destroying its scales and fins and it will quickly dry out. Putting it on a stringer and back in the water will do the same thing except bacteria will also quickly destroy its scales and they'll fall out. And that makes it difficult to use the skin for the mount, which makes it extremely difficult for a taxidermist to appropriately recreate it."

To avoid these pitfalls, Danenhower offers these guidelines.

"Upon catching a fish that you want to mount," he said. "Handle it gently and quickly take some photos of it as the fish will start losing its coloration shortly after it's caught. A rainbow, in particular, will start to lose its reds once it starts dying. Same situation for a palomino trout whose subtle lateral colorations will fade."

Danenhower suggests taking measurements, particularly the length,



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When you catch a trophy trout like Brandon Gehris of Kutztown did on April 5 from the Little Lehigh, you may want to have it mounted. Along with Brandon is his sister, Jayden.

and do so with its mouth closed while measuring it from there to the furthest tail fin. You can also take a girth measurement but it's not essential, Danenhower added.

The secret to a good mount and the best way to keep a trout or any fish you want to mount intact, said Danenhower, is to roll it up in an old wet t-shirt or soft towel. Then you can put it on ice to

take it home.

"Never but never gut the fish," Danenhower emphasized. "That will be done by the taxidermist who removes the entrails by a lateral cut on its one side, the side that will go against the wall or on a stand."

And if you can't get to a taxidermist that day, the veteran taxidermist says to put the wet cloth wrapped fish in a good

plastic bag (like a zip lock) and get most of the air out. Air is what causes freezer burn, he warns, which will destroy the fins and skin. The wet cloth will maintain some moisture in the fish. Then place it flat in a freezer. It will last for a week or more if stored this way.

Unknown to many, taxidermists don't use the fish's head.

"A fish head like a trout or salmon has lots of fat and oil in it that requires drying," said Danenhower. "But even so, there's always that problem. That's why artificial heads are used."

He went on to explain that in the past and even now, a few taxidermists will stuff the fish with Mache' or other material. But most use a foam mannequin like that for a deer or other animal.

Upon doing a skin mount, the skin has already turned a drab gray color so it has to be painted by airbrush to duplicate the same coloration as when it was caught.

"Oh, you'll see a tinge of original color in it," said Danenhower. "But the only fish that doesn't do it is a crappie bass.

This is where good photos come into play."

On the other hand, Danenhower says some anglers practice catch-and-release while others may just want to eat their trophy fish. In these cases, Danenhower again recommends taking photos and measurements from which he can have a fiberglass reproduction made.

"The cons to a reproduction is that it's not your real fish and they are a little more expensive," he said. "The pros are that they last forever and they're not as fragile as a skin mount, whose skin is as thin as a potato chip. Plus the detail in current repro's are exceptional as the scales are extremely definitive. And if needed, a fiberglass mount can be washed in a sink."

In a skin mount, Danenhower points out, you don't want cracks to form or grease to leak out from a skin mount if it wasn't degreased properly, a condition you can oftentimes see in an old mount that was done years ago.

"That's why it's important to have your fish done by a quality taxidermist," Danenhower said.

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LVRR KIDS

The Lehigh Valley Road Runners will once again hold a Kids Run-

ning Series in 2014.

The series includes races on May 17, June 14, June 21, July 5, July 19 and Aug. 12.

The runs begin at 9:45 a.m. at the LVRR clubhouse at the Little Lehigh Parkway. Check in time is from 8:45 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

on race days. Races are open to runners age 3-14.

For more information or to register online, go to www.raceit.com.

South Bethlehem's first brewery



Ken Ranieri
Columnist

In the brief 10 years between 1855 and 1865 when the village of Bethlehem South officially became the Borough of South Bethlehem, many immigrants earned their livelihood as coal miners, or iron and steelworkers. Joseph Rennig was not one of them.

In 1859, Rennig, 59, emigrated from Baden, Germany and arrived in Hanover Township with his wife, Anna Marguerita (Knopf) and their children, Elizabeth, George, Catherine, Charles and Henry. By 1860, Rennig had acquired a parcel of land where Locust (now Taylor Street) ended on the northern slope of South Mountain, just a few yards from a stream of pure mountain spring water. From this water source, Rennig situated a brewery and hotel, "Die Alte Brauerie," the Lehigh Mountain Brewery.

By the early 1860s, Rennig's brewery was frequented by local iron and railroad workers and was popular for its beer garden atmosphere. Not until the middle of that decade did Rennig witness the systematic removal of native trees from the nearby 75-acre parcel owned by a railroad man named Asa Packer.

Native oak and chestnut trees were cut and logged down the mountain and quickly milled into railroad ties. Within the next 40 years, Rennig witnessed nine buildings occupy the Lehigh University's "parkland" campus - Saucon Hall (1865); Packer Hall and the President's House (1868); Linderman Library (1877); Porter's Lodge (1879); the Chemistry Laboratory and the Gymnasium (1883); Packer Memorial Church (1887); and the Physics Laboratory (1892).

Meanwhile, Rennig's Lehigh Mountain Brewery became a local success - Rennig's son Charles opened a bakery and eventually a hotel and saloon on the corner of New and Church (now Morton) streets, and an alley between New and Webster streets was named after Rennig. Meanwhile, thirsty patrons who ventured up the mountain enjoyed freshly brewed beer in the hotel's Trinkhalle, where dining and dancing often spilled outside into the beer garden.

In 1880, while Lehigh Mountain Brewery enjoyed its beer-brewing reputation, it also made the newspapers. Shortly after 11 a.m. April 27, a "quick and sudden" fire flared from a chimney flue and spread to the garret of the hotel. As black smoke billowed atop the mountain, terrified residents sounded firehouse alarms around South Bethlehem.

Reliance, Protection and Nisky Hill firehouses responded with hoses and firefighting apparatus hauled up Locust Street by teams of horses. When they found their hoses useless, firefighters formed a bucket brigade and tapped water from the nearby creek.

After a tall chimney and a portion of an exterior wall were pulled down, the firemen were certain they extinguished the blaze; by early afternoon, they regrouped and collected their buckets. In appreciation for their valor, Rennig rewarded the firemen with mugs of fresh cold beer, sharp cheese, pretzels, pumpnickel and rye bread - hotel foodstuffs unscathed by the fire.

In the 1880s, not only did Rennig's brewery cater to local townsfolk but also to Lehigh's book-weary students. After chapel, prayer and laboratory work, students took a well-worn path from Packer Hall to "Die Alte Brauerie." Surprisingly, Lehigh President Robert Lambertson never showed any objection to this student activity. With only a few pennies left from their allowances, students enjoyed beer and the bohemian atmosphere while conducting meetings in the back rooms.

During the 1884 semester, Lehigh student Richard Harding Davis, his brother Charles and fellow others frequented the brewery, where they attended meetings on Saturday nights. R.H. Davis discussed ways of dramatizing their experiences by acting out farces or musical comedies. As the group munched on sweitzer cheese and mustard chased by mugs of fresh beer, the group unanimously agreed to name their club "The Mustard and Cheese."

A year later, a "Melo-Drama" and "A Romantic Extravaganza" were featured in the large dining hall at the Sun Inn on Main Street. Since Lehigh excluded female students, men performed the female roles. In 2010, the "Mustard and Cheese Drama Society" celebrated its 125th anniversary.

In contrast to the verdant parkland civility of Lehigh University's campus, South Bethlehem was largely a tough, working-class industrial town. What became synonymous with South Bethlehem drinkers that made its way into the twentieth century was the "bar room and saloon brawl" - fistfights usually incited by too many beers.

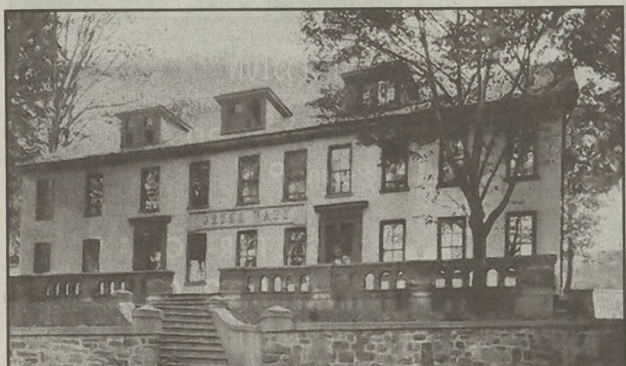
The Bethlehem Times ran a blurb in the "South Bethlehem News" column in spring of 1892, titled, "A Red Letter Day Indeed." "There was a dance at the Lehigh Mountain Brewery last night. No fight occurred. Said an old habitué [patron], 'It was the first time I ever seen it going off without there being a scrap.'"

In 1893, a depression devastated the country and hurled many into financial ruin, including local commerce, business and Lehigh University. At that time, the Lehigh Mountain Brewery was registered in the name of Christiana, the wife of George Rennig.

In the late 1890s, Lehigh University saw an increase in enrollment but was faced with a housing shortage for its out-of-town students. Students were housed in every available space on campus. They lived in fraternity houses in Fountain Hill or had to endure inflated prices in rooming houses or rented rooms in town.

Christiana Rennig met with a Lehigh University attorney who expressed an interest in acquiring the brewery buildings and property. Once Lehigh owned the buildings, the brewery was razed but the hotel was retained. Lehigh hired architect A.W. Leh to design the interior space - by 1912, the dormitory was completely occupied.

In 1916, Lehigh students petitioned the university to change the name of their dormitory from "Die Alte Brauerie" to Price Hall in honor of Henry R. Price, president of the Board of Trustees - an indication that students preferred academics to alcohol. Now the home of the Sociology and Anthropology departments of Lehigh University, Price Hall has a surviving legacy of being the first brewery established by Joseph and son George Rennig on Taylor Street in South Bethlehem.



Price Hall.

Locals support Peace Corps



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Bill and Karen Behmke of Bethlehem, whose daughter, Shannon, is currently serving as a Peace Corps volunteer in Peru, met with Peace Corps Acting Director Carrie Hessler-Radelet and U.S. Congressman Charlie Dent (PA-15) March 31 at Lehigh University. Hessler-Radelet and Dent recognized the family as they spoke with high school and college students from across the region about the inspiring work of Peace Corps volunteers and how Peace Corps service can give them a competitive edge in today's global job market. From left: The Behmkes, Hessler-Radelet and Dent.

Boscola plugs PUC's electric program

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State Sen. Lisa Boscola (D-Northampton/Lehigh) in a statement last week applauded the Public Utility Commission's (PUC) proposed regulations that will give electric choice shoppers more detail, disclosure and timely information on their options.

"The bottom line is that these regulatory changes will save people money and enable consumers to make more informed decisions about electric choices and pricing," Boscola said. "I am pleased with the commission's decision and proud that many of the provisions in my legislation (Senate Bill 1297) were included in these regulatory reforms."

Responding to local consumer accounts of being frustrated by the lack of information in the electric choice shopping process, Boscola recently introduced her bill to mandate clear and reliable pricing information.

By a unanimous vote, the five-member PUC board made numerous regulatory changes, including

several provisions proposed in Boscola's bill.

Boscola said there were additional regulatory changes she voiced support for with PUC members and fellow lawmakers. Among them are provisions that give consumers access to historical pricing information, and a requirement that electric suppliers provide a separate contract summary with a full disclosure statement to ensure that key terms and conditions are highlighted in a uniform, consistent way.

Boscola said she was particularly pleased to see the PUC took steps to follow her lead to significantly shorten the time it takes consumers to switch between retail electric suppliers. She said the process previously could take up to 45 days, leaving many consumers at the mercy of a volatile retail electric market.

Even though the new regulations carry the force of law, Boscola said she would continue to work toward getting all of the provisions of Senate Bill 1297 approved and enacted.

WHAT THE PUC'S REGULATORY CHANGES OFFER

- Shortening the waiting period before people can switch retail electric suppliers. Under today's regulatory change, customers can switch electric suppliers within three business days after notifying their electric distribution company;

- Providing more detailed contractual information on the conditions and limitations of electric price variability;

- Requiring separate mailings on expiring fixed-term contracts and changes to terms of service, and;

- Placing more emphasis on highlighting changes to pricing, terms and conditions.

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BRIEFLY

SWAIN
Noted educator to speak at Swain

The Swain School, 1100 S. 24th St., Salisbury Township, will host a free community presentation April 10 featuring award-winning global educator John Hunter.

The presentation begins at 7 p.m. Hunter will explain his "World Peace Game," a favorite of school children for more than 30 years - and why the complex lessons it teaches about peace and justice go further than classroom lectures can.

As part of Hunter's presentation, there will be a screening of the educational documentary chronicling his work, "World Peace and Other 4th Grade Achievements." A discussion will follow.

Hunter's visit is part of a series geared to promoting the power of education to achieve local and global goals.

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STUDENTPROFILE
Jasmine Sun
 Moravian Academy

Grade: 12
Family members: Willie Sun (dad); Jane Xia (mom)
Favorite subject: I have always had a strong interest in science, particularly biology and chemistry, because I enjoy looking at aspects of human life through a scientific lens and doing hands-on lab experiments. I find the subject challenging and a good exercise in analytical skills. I also love English because the books we read are interesting and thought-provoking and I like being in the flow of discussion and debates.
Activities: One of my passions is music and because I have been playing violin since I was 4 years old, I can't remember a time in my life without it. Playing an instrument requires endless hours of practice, determination and discipline. What I love most about music is how it brings people together. An orchestra consists of diverse individuals but it is amazing how each player shares one interest in creating a beautiful sound. I am also a member of Moravian's swim team and have been swimming for the past four years. My favorite stroke is the most draining but exciting stroke of all, the butterfly. Competing in meets, cheering for other swimmers and bonding with the team is a great experience.



Volunteer/community work: I have traveled to Kenya, the Dominican Republic and Haiti on volunteer trips and have worked at medical clinics, visited AIDS patients, helped construct a school, instructed a Chinese martial arts class and performed violin at church in those countries. I currently volunteer at the DaVinci Science Center. As a floor exhibitor my goal is to make science exciting and easy to understand for visitors. I enjoy explaining the various exhibits and watching kids participate in the many activities the center has to offer. For the past two summers I have also been volunteering at Easton Hospital and this year I worked as a transporter. I helped the staff move patients from different rooms and provided any assistance needed in caring for the patients.

Next steps: I plan on going into a science related major and expanding my knowledge and experience in this field. I have done a lot of volunteering in medical clinics and I have discovered a love for this kind of work. This has made me consider a major in pre-med and I want to explore this field further in college to see how I can combine my interests in science and community service.

Career Goals: I am looking into working in the science field and am still on the search for my ideal career. I want to be open-minded because I know there are many opportunities and possibilities in my future and I am looking forward to finding my niche.

Heroes: There is no one person I model myself after or strive to become as my life has been shaped by the influence of many people. However, when asked for an answer, my mom is a hero to me. She is amazingly diligent, perspicacious and understanding and works hard as a clinical researcher, directing and studying trials of cancer treatment drugs. However, she always makes time to talk to me, help me and give me advice. I admire her conviction and determination.

Hobbies: I like doing origami because it is amazing how one piece of paper can be transformed into something beautiful and magical. Two years ago I folded a complete three-dimensional dollhouse with dolls, furniture and accessories. It took me to weeks, hundreds of sheets of paper and a lot of patience. I also enjoy traveling.

Likes: My Asian heritage and background are extremely important to me. I love doing origami, watching anime, eating sushi and speaking Chinese. I also like Chinese pop music and enjoying Chinese television shows with my family.

Dislikes: I have an aversion to violence and horror films and a love-hate relationship with depressing books, like "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

Greatest accomplishment (so far): My greatest accomplishment is probably swimming in districts two years ago in the 100-yard butterfly. Before high school I had taken swim lessons and knew all the strokes but was neither fast nor skilled. Fly was one of my worst strokes and it was difficult to find the stamina and strength to swim it. However, during two years on the swim team, I improved my technique and lowered my time with the help of my coaches and my own will power. In sophomore year I qualified for the event, and finishing the districts meet with my record best time was the most amazing sensation. I was also given the Most Improved Player award and received a varsity letter.

Advice for peers: Work hard but don't get stressed out. Find the right balance between studying and socializing, and if you need help, there are a lot of wonderful people out there. Procrastination is a sin we all commit, but try your hardest to follow a schedule.

Julia SWan coordinate student profiles for the Nethlehem Press



The cast of "Once On This Island, Jr." performs the prologue, "We Dance" during a recent dress rehearsal.

'Once on this island...'

By DANA GRUBB
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

More than 50 East Hills MS students contributed to the school's Feb. 21, 22 and 23 performances of the musical "Once On This Island, Jr." Set on an island in the Caribbean, the production is based on

the book and lyrics written by Lynn Ahrens and music of Stephen Flaherty, and it tells the story of a young islander who strives to have love influence her life and the lives of others. Directors were Jennifer Klenk and Andrew Sak. Klenk said the play's various themes provided "a challenging set of ideas" for the students to convey to the audience.



As Ti Moune sleeps, Erzulie (Emily Barger), the goddess of love, Asaka (Alexis Connolly), the goddess of earth, Agwe (Saad Chaudry), god of the water, and Papa Ge (Ryan Iticovici), the god of death, decide the fate that will befall Ti Moune, love or death.



Ti Moune (Ashley Morales) sings, "Pray" as she seeks guidance from the gods of the tropical island.

EASTER EVENTS

Friday, April 11
Bethlehem Township breakfast with the Easter Bunny, ages two to five with a caregiver, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., 2900 Farmersville Road. Cost. Call 610-332-1900.

Freemansburg Easter craft night and coloring contest, 6 to 8 p.m. Borough Hall, 600 Monroe St. Call 610-866-2220.

Bethlehem Township community Easter egg hunt and Easter Bunny visit, 6:16 p.m., 2900 Farmersville Road. Rain date 6:15 p.m. April 18. Call 610-332-1900.

Saturday, April 12
Bethlehem annual Easter Egg Hunt for Bethlehem residents' children ages three to eight, 10 a.m. lawn in front of Memorial Pool, Illick's Mill Road. Candy donated by Just Born. Rain date: April 19. Call 610-865-7081.

First Baptist Church Easter egg hunt, 10:30 a.m. 3235 Linden St. Call 610-865-4600 or visit www.fbc-bethlehem.org.

Calvary Wesleyan Church Easter egg hunt, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Clearview Park, Abington Road and Robin Way. Rain location: 1414 Pennsylvania Ave. Call 610-866-1388 or visit www.calvary-

weslyanchurch.org.
Freemansburg Easter Egg Hunt and basket raffle for residents only (proof required), 2 p.m. Municipal Park. Donations welcome. Rain date: April 13. Call 610-866-2220.

Sunday, April 13
Moravian Book Shop, visit with the Easter Bunny, book signing and story time with Karen Castaneda, 1 to 3 p.m., 428 Main St. Call 610-866-5481 or visit www.moravianbookshop.org.

Vo-Tech donates to Wound Warriors



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FORECAST FOR LEHIGH VALLEY PENNSYLVANIA

Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 58°, humidity of 37%. The record high temperature for today is 84° set in 1917. Expect clear skies tonight with an overnight low of 30°. The record low for tonight is 13° set in 1923. Thursday, skies will be sunny with a high temperature of 61°, humidity of 38%. Skies will be mostly cloudy Thursday night with an overnight low of 43°. Expect partly cloudy skies Friday with a 30% chance of showers, high temperature of 64°. Skies will become mostly sunny Saturday with a high temperature of 65°. Sunday, skies will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 65°.

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PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Hispanic Center Director Lorna Velazquez introduced the center's WIC program coordinator Jessica Vazquez, who will receive additional training to become a lactation specialist, courtesy of the Rotary district grant proceeds.

Partnership benefits Hispanic Center

By **DANA GRUBB**
Special to the Bethlehem Press

In a true community partnership, the Bethlehem Rotary Club and Rotary District 7430, Hispanic Center Lehigh Valley and City of Bethlehem Health Bureau have partnered to secure a \$3,000 Rotary district grant that will be used to support the WIC (Women, Infants and Children) Program by training a lacta-

tion specialist, purchasing educational technology and providing portable cribs for use in the 'Safe Sleep Initiative.'

Rotary district grants are supported through individual Rotarian donations and distributed locally through a formal application process. Rotarian Deb Geiger coordinated the proposal to support the local WIC program initiative. The Bethlehem health bureau provided technical support and the Hispanic Center will conduct the programming for its clients.

The Bethlehem Health Bureau was also awarded additional funding from

the Pa. Department of Health, which will provide breastfeeding equipment and educational supplies for the WIC Program.

Both Rotary District 7430 Governor Frank Romano and Bethlehem Rotary Club President Kerry Wrobel emphasized Rotary's service aspect.

"We're here to serve the community," Romano said.

Wrobel explained how the 'Pack 'N Play' portable cribs would help to reduce infant injuries and deaths caused by unsafe sleeping practices and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, and that training a lacta-

tion specialist would promote the benefits of breast feeding.

Mayor Robert Donchez, a former board member at the Hispanic Center, lauded the multi-organization partnership, noting his familiarity with the WIC Program as a teacher at William Allen HS.

Hispanic Center Executive Director Lorna Velazquez expressed her appreciation for the support.

"We have in our hearts the benefit of our community," said Velazquez, whose staff of five serves 2,600 clients each month.

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The Vietnam effect

Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum exhibit goes to war

By DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to The Press

It's called "The Vietnam War: A Conflict in Time" for a good reason.

The large room at the Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum filled up with visitors, many of them veterans of the Vietnam War, there for a more clear understanding of why the Vietnam War happened and its profound effect on the men and women who served in it and survived.

On the walls and in display cases lining the walls, photographs of men in combat and rare documents relating to the Vietnam War invite closer inspection of the exhibit, which continues through Sept. 28 at the museum, 432 W. Walnut St., Allentown.

The exhibit features artifacts from local Vietnam War veterans displayed in a way that curators hope will help viewers understand the origin of the war and the resistance to the war which came to dominate the American discourse in the late 1960's and early 1970's. It is a discourse that continues to shape foreign policy to this day.

On March 22, opening day of the exhibit, with an estimated 200 in attendance, a video tour of Lehigh Valley military memorials was projected on a screen. The video was produced by LVHM Curator Jill Youngken.

Marine Don Margraf of Macungie attended with his daughter Dorothy Fleming.

"It was very well done," Margraf of the exhibit. "I'm sure it brought back vivid,



PRESS PHOTO BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

From left: Lehigh County Historical Society President Sonya Siegfried and Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum Executive Director Joe Garrera

proud and sad moments for many of the veterans who attended."

Margraf, youngest of four brothers, three of whom were Marines, served from August 1953 - September 1955.

Easton film-maker Lou Reda introduced "Brothers In War," his new documentary about the Vietnam War. "We were young. We died. Remember us," it stated on the screen.

The film, which premiered at LVHM prior to

its television debut on the National Geographic Channel, recounts many of the war's grim statistics: 2.5 million men and women deployed; 58,220 dead; 363,644 wounded; 1,643 still missing in action as of October 2013; 61 percent who served were 21 or younger; 11,000 women served, eight of whom were killed; 245 Medals of Honor awarded.

Lehigh County Historical Society President Sonya Siegfried shared an emotional moment. The man-

nequin in the Marine uniform in front of the flags is adorned with the uniform of her brother, John E. Roberts, who died in the Vietnam War. The uniform is among her brother's personal effects that the family received.

"No one can die in vain in the service of their country," said LVHM Executive Director Joe Garrera, himself an Army veteran. "If you do, the American people will remember you for all time."

Allentown native receives France honor

By DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to The Press

Allentown native, Col. A. Albert Restum, U.S. Air Force, retired, has received the Legion of Honor.

Axel Cruau, Consul General of France, presented the Chevalier dans l'Ordre National de la Légion d'Honneur to Restum Jan. 30 at the Bob Hope Patriotic Hall, Los Angeles.

The National Order of the Legion of Honor, established by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802, is France's highest honor recognizing those who have distinguished themselves in the service of France.

Hundreds of United States veterans of World War II have received the award. Restum, 89, received the Chevalier or Knight class of the award.

As a result of his actions in France with the 274th Infantry Regiment as an 18-year-old rifleman, Restum was awarded the Bronze Star for exemplary conduct against the enemy on March 22, 1945. He also earned the Combat Infantryman Badge, Army and Air Force Commendation Medals and European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with three battle stars.

Restum was inducted into the Army in August 1944, completed infantry basic training at Camp Hood, Tex., and shipped to the European Theater, assigned to the 274th.

He entered combat in France during the fierce winter in early January 1945 in the vicinity of Phillipsbourg and was involved in 60 days of continuous combat in the Rhineland, Central Europe and Ardennes campaigns. His regiment crossed the Saar River in pontoon boats in late March 1945.



A. Albert Restum, 1945

"I was in combat within a week," Restum says in a recent phone interview. "They were throwing everybody on the line. I was just a first scout in a rifle squad." Restum was hit by a piece of shrapnel.

Restum resides in the Los Angeles area with his wife, Barbara (nee Brown), who he married in Tripoli in September 1954.

He is a 1943 graduate of then Allentown High School where he was on the track and wrestling teams.

Restum is the son of the late Mary and Albert Restum of Allentown. He is the brother of the late George and William Restum.

Restum's French- and Arabic-speaking parents were from Lebanon where they lived before World War II, relocating to Marseille, France, before emigrating to

the U.S., settling in Allentown where their first son, Albert, was born.

"I learned a little kitchen Arabic," Restum says. It would form the basis of his career.

After his discharge from the Army, the combat veteran traveled for a while in Mexico where he picked up a working knowledge of Spanish before enrolling in Tulane University, New Orleans, La.

Restum says he was accepted into the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps (AFROTC) because he knew how to march. He was an AFROTC honor graduate and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the brand new Air Force (former Army Air Corps) — just in time for the Korean War.

Instead of Korea, the new



Col. A. Albert Restum lieutenant got orders to a school of foreign service and was sent to Tripoli, Libya, where he worked as a liaison officer at the Air Force Base.

By 1958 he was the Assistant Air Attache at the U.S. Embassy, Beirut, Lebanon. His Arabic language skills were paying off.

"I confirmed that Gary Powers was in Beirut before he was shot down," Restum says, recalling the 1960 incident when CIA pilot Frances Gary Powers was shot down while flying a U-2 spy plane over the former Soviet Union.

Later, Restum says, he was chief of operations, American Embassy, Athens, Greece. He also served in Tehran, Iran; Dubai, United Arab Emirates, and Washington, D.C.

After retiring from the Air Force, Restum worked in the corporate world as a trade and finance officer and then was president of a Washington, D.C., consulting firm.

He and his wife are parents of Chad and Dean and the grandparents of Alexis and Marshall.

Restum is active in veterans' affairs and a member of St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Allentown.

8 DAYS A WEEK

Your look ahead at Valley Arts



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Classical folk rising: Harpeth Rising, an eclectic folk band, makes its Lehigh Valley debut, 8 p.m. April 11, Godfrey Daniels, 7 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. The Nashville-based trio, above, from left, Jordana Greenberg, violin; Maria Di Meglio, cello, and Rebecca Reed-Lunn, banjo, released its latest album, "Tales From Jackson Bridge," in October 2013. The classically-trained musicians blend blues, Latin, rock, Texas Swing and Gypsy Jazz. Their vocals, soaring and intimate, convey powerful lyrics that are personal and topical. Tickets: godfreydaniels.org, 610-867-2390

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"Oz" on stage: The Act 3 DeSales University Children's Theater production of the stage adaptation of the 1939 classic movie, "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz," continues through May 1, Schubert Theatre, Labuda Center for the Performing Arts, 2755 Station Avenue, Center Valley. Dorothy (Meghan Shea), above center; her trusty dog, Toto (Sarah Webster), right, and friends, Scarecrow (Hal Miers), left; Tin Man (Brett Lawlor), right, and Cowardly Lion (Matt Kleckner), left, follow the Yellow Brick Road to fun, drama and song. Tickets: desales.edu/act1, 610-282-3192



PRESS PHOTO BY PAUL WILLISTEIN

Masters of art: "PSU MFA," an exhibition by four master of fine arts alumni of The Pennsylvania State University School of Visual Arts, continues, free and open to the public, through April 26, The Gallery at Penn State Lehigh Valley, Center Valley, Upper Saucon Township. The artists are: Jan Crooker, Class of '76, above, acrylics on canvas; Tim Rowan, Class of '99, native-clay sculpture; William H. Snyder III, Class of '06, charcoal portraits on paper, and Margaret Kinkeade, Class of '13, mixed-media sculpture. Information: lv.psu.edu/gallery, 610-285-5261

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ANNIVERSARY

Van Why
Couple celebrates golden anniversary

Bob and Sharon (Shive) Van Why Jr. of Hanover Township, Northampton County, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a party given by their son, Michael, and daughter, Robin Gamble, at Prime Steak House, Bethlehem. The Van Whys were married March 21, 1964, by the Rev. Augustus Welsh at Christ Church UCC, Bethlehem. The couple has five grandchildren: Michelle, Andy and Scott Van Why, and Aubrey and Erica Gamble.



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Van Why Jr.

ENGAGEMENT

Wanamaker-Roth
Couple plans fall 2014 nuptials

Willard and Debra Wanamaker of New Tripoli, Lynn Township, announce the engagement of their daughter, Holly Kay, to Evan Blose Roth, son of Rick and Sheri Roth of Germansville, Heidelberg Township. The bride-elect graduated from Northwestern Lehigh School District and Allentown Business School, with a degree in criminal justice. She is an office manager for The Michael Mann Team, Fairway Independent Mortgage, Allentown. Her fiancé also graduated from Northwestern Lehigh. He is a forklift operator at Deka Battery, Lyon Station, Berks County. A late fall 2014 wedding is being planned.



Holly Kay Wanamaker and Evan Blose Roth

WEDDINGS



Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Matula



Tiffany and Jeremy Matula, with Tesla.

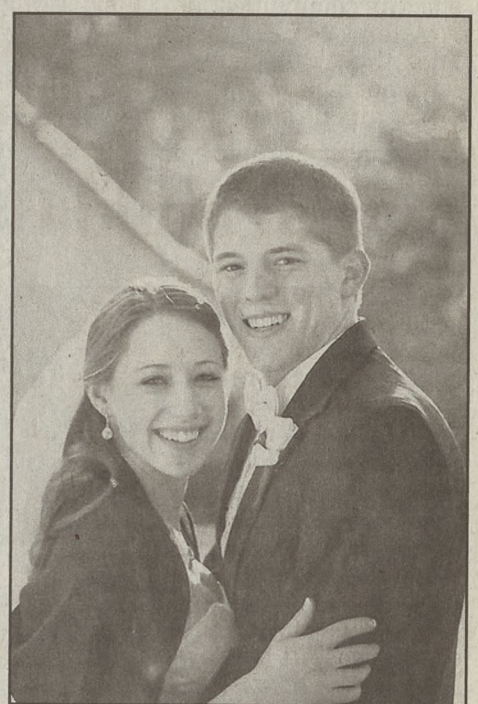
Matula-Kulp
Northampton grad is wed

Tiffany L. Kulp and Jeremy M. Matula were united in marriage Oct. 19, 2013, at Deep Run Mennonite Church East, Perkasie. The bride is the daughter of Michael and Darlene Kulp of Perkasie. The groom is the son of Michael and Susan Matula of Moore Township. Chelsea Miles was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids included Amanda Daws and Samantha Jones and sisters of the groom Melissa Padgett and Kristin Matula. Tyler McCandless was the best man.

The groomsmen were Derek Oyer, Stephen Evasic, Kevin Thomas and brother of the bride Zachary Kulp. The bride is a graduate of Pennridge High School and Elizabethtown College. She is employed by Lancaster Laboratories Environmental, Lancaster. The groom is a graduate of Northampton Area High School and Elizabethtown College. He is employed by Chegg, Inc. After a wedding reception at Pennridge Community Center, Silverdale, Bucks County, the newlyweds honeymooned in Costa Rica. They reside in Lancaster with their puppy, Tesla.

Boyd-Everett
Couple marry at Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship

Alyssa Grace Everett and Nicholas Kyle Boyd were married Jan. 4 in Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church, Salisbury Township. The bride is the daughter of Pete and Kelly Everett of Fogelsville. The groom is the son of Tom and Diane Boyd of New Tripoli, Lynn Township. Pastor Cliff Boone officiated at the ceremony. The bride was given in marriage by her parents. Matron of honor was Adrienne Hull, a friend of the bride of Sunbury, Northumberland County. Bridesmaids were Amy and Stacy Everett, sisters of the bride. The flower girl, Kyla, is a niece of the groom. The best man was Billy Moyer of New Tripoli. Ushers were Nathan Kester of New Tripoli and Daniel Everett of Fogelsville. The reception was held at C.J. Hummel's Restaurant, Lenhartsville, Berks County. The bride is to graduate in May from Bloomsburg University, Columbia County, with a degree in nursing. Her husband graduated in December



Alyssa and Nicholas Boyd

2013 from Lock Haven University, Clinton County. He will pursue a doctorate in physical therapy. Following a honeymoon in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, the couple resides in Allentown.

Sense of taste is important

Q. Do we lose our sense of taste as we get older?

In general, sensitivity to taste gradually decreases with age. But there are some whose taste isn't affected by getting older. The ability to taste food and beverages means a lot to seniors. Let's face it; we lose a lot of the pleasures of our youth, but eating well isn't usually one of them. Taste has a major impact upon our physical and mental health. Our sense of taste is especially important if we have to stay on a diet. If food loses its appeal, we may eat improperly and put ourselves at risk for heart disease, stroke and diabetes. Loss of taste can

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lead us to overeat, under-eat, or add too much salt or sugar to our food. While taste is important, we recognize flavors largely through our sense of smell. Try holding your nose while eating. Smell and taste are closely linked in the brain. It is common for people who lose their sense of smell to say that food has lost its taste. This is incorrect; the food has lost its aroma, but taste remains. Loss of taste occurs less frequently than loss of smell in older people. When an older person has a problem with taste, it is often temporary and minor. True taste disorders are uncommon. When a problem with taste exists, it is usually caused by medications, disease or injury. In some cases, loss of taste can accompany or signal a more serious condition, such as diabetes or some degenerative diseases of the central nervous system such as multiple sclerosis. There are several types of taste disorders You can have a persistent bad taste in the mouth. This is called a dysgeusia. Some people have hypogeusia,

or the reduced ability to taste. Others can't detect taste at all, which is called ageusia. People with taste disorders experience a specific ageusia of one or more of the five taste categories: sweet, sour, bitter, salty and savory. The most common complaint is "phantom-taste perception," which is tasting something that isn't there. If you think you have a taste disorder, see your doctor. Diagnosis of a taste disorder is important because once the cause is found, your doctor may be able to treat your taste disorder. Many types of taste disorders are reversible, but, if not, counseling and self-help techniques may help you cope. If you cannot regain your sense of taste, there are things you can do to ensure your safety. Take extra care to avoid food that may have spoiled. If you live with other people, ask them to smell and taste food to see if it is fresh. People who live alone should discard food if there is a chance it is spoiled. Order "How To Be A Healthy Geezer," 218-page compilation of columns: healthygeezer.com; "Healthy Geezer" questions: fred@healthygeezer.com

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DESALES
Campbell lecture

The annual Robert K. Campbell Memorial Lectureship on Christian Unity, "Continuing the Dialogue: Orthodoxy and Roman Catholicism," is April 10, DeSales University, Center Valley. Lecturers are Dr. Vito Nicastro, Associate Director, Office for Ecumeni-

cal and Interreligious Affairs, Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston, and Dr. Christopher Veniamin, Professor of Patristics, Saint Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary, South Canaan Township. Lectures will be given at 4 and 7:15 p.m. with a worship service and a dinner in between. This year is a "first" for the Campbell Lectureships. Since its inception

in 1993, the annual lectures have brought scholars and theologians to the Lehigh Valley. Each of the 21 previous presenters spoke from the perspective of his or her particular tradition on an aspect of Christian Unity. This year, the Campbell Lectureship has two presenters, one Orthodox scholar and one Roman Catholic scholar addressing the doctrine of salvation from different theological and historical understandings. Information or to register: lehighchurches.org, 610-433-6421

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LCCC
Easter egg hunt, bunny breakfast

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be held at 9 and 10 a.m. April 12, Community Services Center, Lehigh Carbon Community College main campus, Schnecksville. Children may have his or her face painted by

LCCC Art Club students and participate in arts and crafts with the LCCC Fowler Education Team. Following breakfast, children will go outside (weather permitting) for an Easter Egg Hunt at 11 a.m. April 12. Reservations required: 610-799-1182. Information: Jane Wilchak, or 610-799-1929.

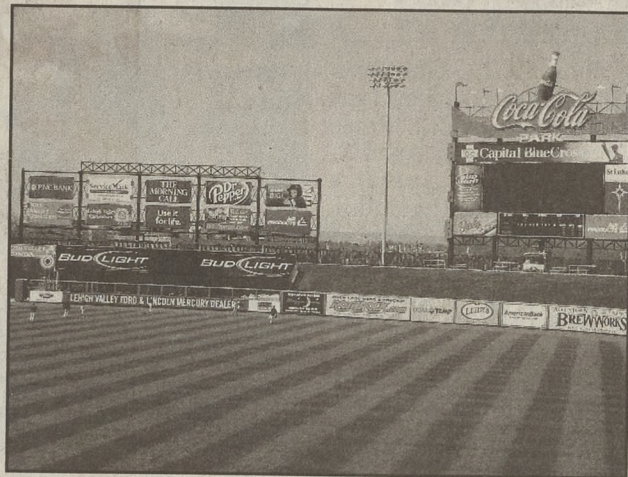
Expo moves from Scranton to Allentown

For its seventh year, the 2014 Vistacom Tech Expo will be held 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. April 16 in Coca-Cola Park, Allentown.

The expo, which is being held for the first time in the Lehigh Valley, is billed as the largest commercial audiovisual show for professional audiovisual buyers and sellers.

The expo is a conference and exhibition designed to provide practical, hands-on, in-depth technology education. Attendees may obtain advice in seminars, one-on-one appointments, and vendor consultations.

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Crown Truck for hands-on training on the full line of Crown audio products, and take media sharing to the next level with Solstice by Mersive.

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Additional presenters include AMX, Visix, Symetrix Dante, Unified Communications, and Vistacom.

Participants will also receive backstage tours of Coca-Cola Park, and breakfast and lunch will be provided.

To register: Vistacom- Inc.com

Never stereotype anyone about age

Last week a friend of mine asked me to do some publicity for a show the historical society is putting on. All I had to do was interview the couple doing the show. I was told the couple would be presenting a musical production.

Interviewing them proved to be harder than I thought. When we first scheduled the interview, they had to cancel because the husband ended up in the hospital. When we rescheduled, I got there and no one was home.

She called later to say in an upbeat, cheerful voice, "Come on over. It was a false alarm."

When I learned they were in their 80s, my stereotype of age kicked in. I pictured them as old and ailing, figuring they might find it hard to have enough energy for the interview.

When I got there, instead of the feeble old couple I was expecting to see, I was greeted by a vivacious couple that acted more like 40 than 80.

"Actually, I'm 85 next month," said the husband, "and my wife is a younger woman. She's 83."

They had more energy and more interests than a couple half their age.

My first surprise is that they are still working, running a summer resort that's been in the family for decades.

They told me they give musical performances every single night on a showboat floating in a New York state resort.

They've been doing that for 60 years and don't see any reason to quit now.

The second surprise was their garage. It's been turned into a musical studio, complete with a huge drum set, piano, other instruments and sound equipment. They had to add soundproofing because neighbors complained when they played through the night.

What a lively, interesting pair.

I walked out of there thinking that once again, my perception of "old" keeps changing.

"Old" certainly has nothing to do with the number of candles on a birthday cake. If I've learned anything these past few years it's this: "Old" has more to do with attitude than numbers.

I was surprised to realize I had fallen into the trap of stereotyping people based on their age. I hate when anyone does that.

I, of all people, should know that because I have the pleasure of interviewing people who defy the concept of old age.

Anyone who thinks

WARMEST REGARDS

By Pattie Mihalik news@lifestyle.com



Florida is God's waiting room should come with me on a typical social outing. When we're dancing, someone will point to another couple on the dance floor and ask how old we think they are.

Often, we miss by decades. One of my favorite examples is Mel and his partner, Helen. We were next to them on the dance floor during a fast polka. David and I were getting winded but Mel was like a fast spinning top.

That's all the more remarkable when you know Mel is 96 and his partner is 85.

The story we all like best about Mel is the night he had chest pains on the dance floor. The couple he was with insisted they take him to the hospital.

After some initial tests, the doctor said his heart was fine. "Whatever you're doing, keep on doing," the doctor advised.

Mel looked at his watch and insisted on going back to the dance. "You have to go rest or you might fall over," insisted the guy who drove him to the hospital.

Mel's now famous reply: "Well, I'm not dead yet. I'm going dancing." He'll turn 97 in October and is still going strong.

I remember years ago when I did a feature on a guy because he was still skiing at 75. Now, I wouldn't consider the skier to be all that unusual because all around me I see people in their 80s and 90s enjoying an active lifestyle.

The publisher of a local health magazine was taken to the hospital with cuts on his face that required stitches and leg and arm abrasions.

When he was asked how it happened, the publisher admitted he was playing hopscotch. The punchline: He's 80 years old.

I got a kick out of that. It reinforces the lesson that we should never stereotype anyone by age.

Last week in physical therapy I was lamenting that there's a big kayaking event coming up but I'm not allowed to kayak for another few weeks.

"You don't realize how well you are doing for your age," said the therapist. Now, she's really good and I like her, but I bristled at her words.

"You would be right if my idea of 'doing well' is sitting on the sofa watching TV," I told her, "but that's not my lifestyle."

And that "for your age" comment really says she has a perceived idea of what people my age do. We certainly don't sit in a rocking chair.

We dance, we Zumba, we kayak, we swim, we bike, we hike, we surf, we play tennis and pickleball.

And sometimes we even play hopscotch.

CORRECTION

Tickets for the April 9-13 Parkland High School "The Wizard of Oz" stage production are sold out. Contrary to a Page B1 April 2 and 3 article, tickets are not expected to be available at the door.

Butz to build Hawk Mt. amphitheater

Alvin H. Butz, Inc. has been awarded the construction contract for a new amphitheater at Hawk Mountain Sanctuary, Kempton.

The project includes an outdoor classroom and American With Disabilities Act trail from the amphitheater to the Visiting Center.

The construction project is Phase II of Hawk Mountain's "School in the Clouds" Campaign. This portion of work is estimated to cost \$2 million for the walkway and amphitheater, and includes funds for a maintenance endowment.

"We felt that Alvin H. Butz, Inc. was the right construction manager to help us realize the second phase of our four-phase plan to improve Hawk Mountain and better edu-



CONTRIBUTED IMAGE Artist's rendering of amphitheater to be built at Hawk Mountain Sanctuary, Kempton.

cate the region on the importance of conserving birds of prey," said Jerry Regan, President of Hawk Mountain Sanctuary.

The amphitheater will seat 250 people and include a covered stage

with sound and lighting. Natural materials that blend with the surrounding woods and other "green" features will be incorporated.

"We were impressed with Alvin H. Butz and their willingness to pro-

tect the natural surrounding and follow guidelines in the Hawk Mountain Land Management Plan," said Regan.

"For example, all subcontractors must be trained on environmental sensitivity and extra care will be taken to ensure no native plantings or trees are damaged unnecessarily," he said.

The project, to start in November, is expected to be completed in five months, with completion in Spring 2015, pending funding.

"Alvin H. Butz, Inc. commends Hawk Mountain for their commitment to the conservation of birds of prey," said Greg Butz, President and CEO of Alvin H. Butz, Inc.

Klunk & Milan Advertising appoints two

Klunk & Milan Advertising has announced two appointments:

Laura Kaufmann will be Marketing Data Analyst to build geographic databases that analyze spatial information (drive time, census data, business location) in both a quantitative and geographic way.

She will also coordinate data analysis projects including pay-per-click bid platforms, email marketing copy testing, public relations value, and geo-targeting strategy. Kaufmann joins Klunk

& Milan from an advertising analysis role at Kutztown University.

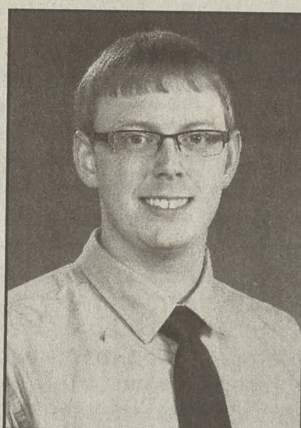
She received a B.A. in Geography from Kutztown University and a B.A. in Classical and Near Eastern Archaeology from Bryn Mawr College.

Thomas Donahue will be Web Developer, responsible for application development and web design across all platforms: desktops, tablets, and mobile devices.

Donahue will create a web presence tailored to clients' needs. Prior to joining Klunk



Laura Kaufmann & Milan, he was a Web Developer at KS&D. He is pursuing a B.S. in



Thomas Donahue Computer Science from Michigan Technological University.

Community Music School receives LV Community Foundation grant

Community Music School (CMS) has received a \$5,000 grant from the Lehigh Valley Community Foundation.

The grant will provide scholarships and financial assistance to students.

Foundation Executive Director Bernard Story presented the check to CMS Board President Lawrence Johnson at the CMS Board of Directors meeting March 17.

CMS has appointed new instructors.

Alicia Kiah Cantalupo will instruct violin and assist in outreach programming for strings and chamber ensembles at area schools.

Cantalupo, a Bethlehem native, began playing violin at age 4. She studied at Peabody Conservatory. She played with the Lancaster Symphony, Mid-Atlantic Symphony and Annapolis Symphony. She has worked with United Kingdom electronic dubstep producers. She composed and played on tracks recently released on Skrillex's music

label. Elaine Martin will teach flute to students of all ages and levels.

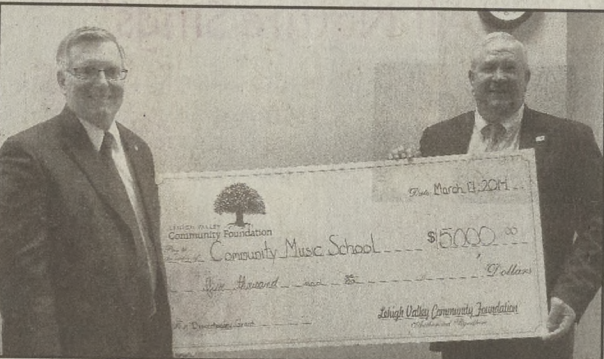
Martin received a Bachelor of Music Education, summa cum laude, from Temple University. She was principal flutist with the Allentown Symphony Orchestra for nearly 30 years. She is a Lecturer of Flute at Muhlenberg College. She and Andrea Wittchen, harp, are the flute and harp duo Elan.

In addition to Johnson appointed as CMS Board President, Michael Yeager has been named CMS Board Treasurer, and Atty. Kathleen G. Matthews, Sr. has joined the CMS Board.

Johnson has been Treasurer and President of the Board. Johnson is a Trustee of the CMS Endowment Fund. Johnson is a Senior Relations Manager and Senior Vice President at Univest Bank.

Yeager is President and CEO of Lehigh Mutual Insurance Company, Allentown.

Other CMS Board mem-



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bers appointees include: Roberta M. Marcus and Julie Boulton, Kyle David, Rodolphe Tankpinou.

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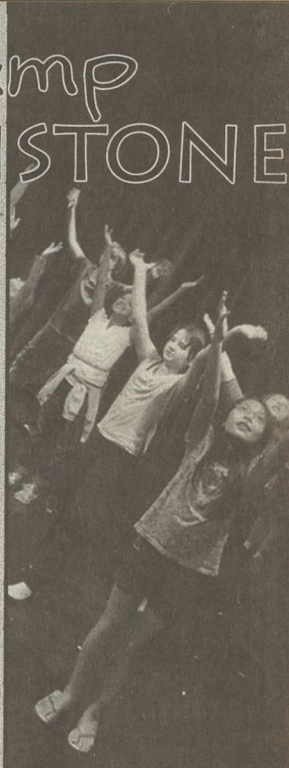
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