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BY DANA GRUBB

What else, if anything, do you think the United States and NATO could do to help

the Ukraine?

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State of the county

'It's been a rough couple of years'

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI njastrzemski@tnonline.com

Northampton County Executive Lamont McClure presented his state of the county message hosted by the Lehigh Valley Economic Development Corporation April 20.

"It's been a rough couple years for our families, for our communities and for our country. One lesson this pandemic has taught us is when a crisis appears, don't ignore it. Do what you can to get in front of it. That way you'll have enough time to handle all of your regular business as well as taking on new project to improve the lives of the people you serve.'

McClure said county officials moved quickly during the early COVID See **NORCO** on Page A3



PRESS PHOTOS BY NATE
JASTRZEMSKI

Executive LamontMcClure says in 2021, the county distributed

\$2.8 million in grants to 63 first responder nonprofit organizations for 83 projects regarding emergency services. **MARKING EARTH DAY 2022**



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Pods containing 3,000 ladybugs were purchased from the Gardening Zone, according to center director Kim Day. Story and more photos on page A2.

Ladybugs fly at Chesterbrook



Dominic looks a bit tentatively at a pod filled with ladybugs prior to their release.



AJ marvels at a ladybug crawling up his sleeve.

be doing more in response to the countries who are taking Ukranians in." Jennifer Born Reading

"I think we could

"I think the media need to keep reporting on it. They aren't accurately covering it as well as they should be"

Benjamin Born Reading

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Wordle: The bane of my existence

BY DEBBIE GALBRAITH dgalbraith@tnonline.com

Have you heard about or played Word-

Wordle is a word game where you have six tries to guess the word of the day. It was developed by John Wardle and PreNus Games in October 2021 and sold to The New York Times Company this year for an estimated \$1 million.

It is said millions of enthusiasts play this word game daily.

You can play this game on a comput-

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er, a cellphone or an iPad by going to https://www.nytimes.com or type Wordle in your search bar. It is free to play.

"Play Wordle with me," my sister said. "It will be fun."

Fun is not the adjective I would use with this game. Other adjectives to counter "fun" might be torturous, trying and agonizing.

You begin by picking any five-letter word you can think of. If you find a letter

in the correct placement in the word of the day, the letter will show in green. At the bottom of the puzzle is a keyboard that shows you remaining letters available, similar to Wheel of Fortune. If you see a letter in yellow, it means the letter is in the puzzle but not in the proper place in the word.

Here was my try April 23: The first word I tried was PLAYS. The game said I had the "L" in the correct position.

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What else, if anything, do you think the United States and NATO could do to help the Ukraine?



"I don't think we're doing enough. I think we missed the opportunity when Russia started this." Michael Agro Pasadena, MD



"We really should be doing more for them. Why don't the Ukranians invade Russia?"

Whitehall



"I think we're doing everything we can by sending supplies and military weapons. it's a shame, i feel so bad for the Ukranian people."

Nancy Derby Coopersburg



Theresa Figueroa



"I would have done more before the invasion happened. Maybe Putin wouldn't have invaded. As of now, I think we're doing everything we can." **George Petrolock**

Catasauqua

Grayson is fascinated by a ladybug that has landed on his hand.

Ladybugs fly at Chesterbrook

BY DANA GRUBB SPECIAL TO THE BETHLEHEM PRESS

Students at the Chesterbrook Academy Preschool celebrated Earth Day 2022 with a 3,000 ladybug release in the schoolyard April 22. Center director Kim Day said it is an annual event that all Chesterbrook Academies do on Earth Day, and that it was her first time as a recently appointed director at the Hanover Township location. Day said that students were involved in a variety of ladybug related educational activities leading up to the Earth Day release learning about ladybugs, constructing paper ladybug crowns, writing about ladybugs, and applying "the full academics that the curriculum has to offer." The students fascination with the tiny creatures was evident in all corners of the playground release area and the event was punctuated with a "Happy Earth Day" cheer from students and staff.



Wearing their ladybug crowns, students at the Chesterbrook Academy Preschool enter the play area for the ladybug release.



Mom Danielle Garguilo makes a comfortable seat for her son Holden as they await the ladybug release, while unknowingly being photo bombed from behind by another student.

BETHLEHEM

Garden Club meeting May 19

The next meeting of the Bethlehem Garden Club will be on May 19 at 1 p.m. at the Moravian Church, 3730 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem. Doors open at 12:30 p.m.

The speaker will be Barbará Schmidt and her topic will be orchids. All are welcome.



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The next word I tried was OLDER. I had the "O" and "L" in the correct positions and the "E" in the wrong position.

The next word I tried was OLENT. The "E" was still in the wrong position.

I tried another word that was not in the Wordle dictionary, so it wouldn't let me use it.

The next word I tried was OLIVE - turns out it was the word of the day. Four tries is pretty good for me. There

are many times I don't get the word at all and twice I guessed the word in three tries.

When you have the word or you don't get the word in six tries, you can hit the share button and share your results with your friends and family.

My sister shares her results every day. My son shares his results

sporadically. When I can't get the word after six tries, I share the results with my sister with an emoji of me slapping my head

or falling on the floor. May I remind you

this is the same sister who said, "Play Wordle with me; "It will be fun.

This isn't like Jeopardy; you don't have to be super smart to play this game - which is where my frustration comes

When I can't get the word in six tries, the game reveals the answer, and I can't believe I didn't guess it. Only once did the reveal show a word I didn't know, which, if I remember correctly, was Tamil, an Indian

language. For some unknown

reason, I continue to play this word game, although I'm sure my blood pressure rises with each incorrect guess.

I put Wordle in the same category of paper cuts, hangnails, inconsiderate drivers and general annoyances.

I will continue to look for the "fun" in this game and hope the longer I play, the more

successful I will be. Let me know if you play Wordle and what you think of it.



News briefs

ARTS GRANTS APPLICATIONS DUE MAY 11. The Bethlehem Fine Arts Commission invites area non-profit organizations and K-12 schools to submit proposals for the BFAC annual art grants. Grants help supports new works of art, educational programs, exhibits, presentations and performances. Visit https:// bfac-lv.org/grants for information and application forms

BANANA FACTORY FREE BLOCK PARTY, formerly Southside Arts & Music Festival, May 6 and 7, Banana Factory, 25 W. Third St. The lineup includes Trouble City All-Star, Big Easy Easton Brass, dance workshops, live comedy, photo print swaps, glass blowing demonstrations, and art displays and artistic media. For information, visit bananafactory.org

BETHLEHEM ROTUNDA BASD STUDENT ART EXHIBITION Bethlehem Area School District K-12 students, through May 12. Bethlehem City Hall Rotunda Gallery, Payrow Plaza, 10 E. Church St. Hours: Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit https://bfac-lv.org/ for more information. Face masks must be worn and all CDC Covid regulations will be enforced.

Wednesday, May 4

Cops 'n' Kids Reading Room. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Age three and up. Masks are mandatory. For information, visit www. lvcopsnkidslv.org

Thursday, May 5 - Cinco de Mayo

Opening day: Bethlehem Farmers' Market. May 5 to Oct. 25. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Farrington Square, New and Morton Streets.

Tunes At Twilight, 6 to 8 p.m. or otherwise noted, Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, through July 16. Tickets, benefits, passes and performers: visit Tunesattwilight.com or www.facebook.com/GetDowntownBethlehem

Friday, May 6

First Friday: Information: https://southsideartsdistrict.com/

Tunes At Twilight. Lost Tavern Brewing - Leah Fuls, 6 - 9 p.m. Visit Tunesattwilight.com or www.facebook.com/GetDown-

Elm Street Jazz: Jazz band workshop led by Allan Meyerson. 9 to 11 a.m. Join if you play an instrument and want to explore

Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W. Elm St. Allentown. Information, call 610-437-3700 or visit https://lvactivelife.org/

Saturday, May 7

Opening day: Bethlehem Rose Garden Farmers' Market. June 4 through October 29. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Rose Garden Park, corner of Eighth Avenue and Broad Street. Weekly live music,

Downtown Bethlehem Fine Art and Craft Show. Sidewalks along Main Street, Historic Bethlehem. 50 juried local and regional artists and craft artisans. Visit https://bfac-lv.org/

Tunes At Twilight. Lost Tavern Brewing - Copper Fields, 6 - 9 p.m. Visit Tunesattwilight.com or www.facebook.com/GetDowntownBethlehem

Saturday night dance. Bootschootin w/ Peggy Sue Country Music. Cover cost includes light refreshments. 7 to 10 p.m. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Call 610-437-3700 or visit https://lvactivelife.org/

Sunday, May 8 - Mother's Day

Downtown Bethlehem Fine Art and Craft Show. Sidewalks along Main Street, Historic Bethlehem. 50 juried local and regional artists and craft artisans. Visit https://bfac-lv.org/

Saucon Valley Farmers' Market, Sundays, May 1 through November 20. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hellertown Library area, 409 Constitution Ave., Hellertown. Food, fun, live music, fresh produce, local goods, artisans. Visit https://sauconvalleyfarmersmarket.com/

Monday, May 9

She Nailed It! Habitat for Humanity-Lehigh Valley 2022 competition and tailgate, ${f 1}$ to ${f 7}$ p.m. Hammering and teams begin at 4 p.m. Morris J. Dimmick Park, 570 Durham St., Hellertown.

Tuesday, May 10

Good Vibrations Chorus led by Nancy Shumaker. All singers welcome. 9:30 to 11 a.m. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Call 610-437-3700 for information or visit https://lvactivelife.org/

MEETING BOARD appears on page A9 this week.

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Continued from page A1 warnings to set up an early testing center to provide access to testing, especially for those with mobility issues, while limiting exposure. Meanwhile county facilities closed to nonessential visitors while vaccinating staff when shots became available. Transmission among residents was kept under control and the last cases in county facilities were recorded in early February.

"Now that cases are trending lower, we've been able to reopen Gracedale [Nursing Home] to family and compassionate visits. Work release and 'educational programs have restarted at the county jail. But it isn't the only pandemic we're currently battling. The stress we've all experienced these last two years has caused the nation's drug-related overdoses to surge," McClure said, citing a 4.5 percent increase in deaths from heroin and other opioids, especially fentanyl, in the last year.

The state and county were part of a \$1 billion settlement with opioid distributors, of which the county is receiving \$11 million, which will be spent on new equipment, educating youths about the dangers of opioid use, as well transportation to addiction treatment, job training, certified councilors at college campuses, intervention services and other pro-

McClure said the pandemic also highlighted the benefits of local health bureaus, and has prioritized the county's long-debated plans for creating one. "The beauty of having

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Despite our confusing financial times individually, the area is excelling. In 2021 the Lehigh Valley was ranked eighth in economic growth nationwide.

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Raise awareness about opioid addiction dangers

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Pa. county opioid settlement funds.

our own health bureau is that we could be assured that our rural areas would receive just as much focus as our inner cities. We are studying the issue now to make sure the cost justify the benefits."

Continued development has created many opportunities in the area and helped retain many jobs, McClure said, but it must be balanced with preserving the land we have. While farmland preservation

will soon hit the 20,000acre mark since the 90s, an additional \$1 million will be spent this year with \$3 million more for open space. He said this is a priority to ease warehouse prolifera-

'Open space trails and parkland are beneficial on a number of levels, even for those residents who never set foot on an unpaved surface. Open space reduced truck traffic, preserves air quality, mitigates

floods, improves water quality, retains soil and provides a habitat for pollinators and wildlife," he said. "I see Northampton

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County's future as green: Green for the environment and green for the economy.

McClure also lauded the American Rescue Plan and other federal programs for tens of millions of dollars provided during the pandemic that were used to keep small business afloat, and soon another \$15 million going toward improvements at Gracedale.

"It's been a rough two years, but we're all in this together. I believe there are better times ahead.'

The recording is available on the county's YouTube page at https://www.youtube. com/watch?v=mv4VO_

Residents question town pool closure

BY MARCUS DIGIULIO Special to the Bethlehem Press

residents closure announced recently. Borough council said lack of funds and trained employees makes opening the pool this summer impossible.

Former Fountain Hill proposed a nonprofit cit- pools' "death sentence" Councilman Mike Zovko

funding of the Stanley Avenue Pool. This pocouncil; to rethink the

ough Hall. Zovko had to be built on the 5-acre "I hear your call to re-

scind, and I'd like to see it rescinded as well." Borough resident Ja-

izens committee to over- and to take a second son Brandon pleaded tion the planned pool see management and poll about the closing with the council to "exto reach more people. haust all options" when Zovko also mentioned a speaking on the pools' tential committee will larger vision for a Foun- staffing and financial ismeet May 12 at 7 p.m. tain Hill-Eastern Salis- sues. "We can't just give in Fountain Hill Bor- bury Community Center up, we can't give up."

Also speaking at the two requests from the site. Councilwoman Jai- meeting was borough me Johnson responded, resident Debbie Spadac-See POOL on Page A6

ELECTION BOARD NOTICE

The Lehigh County Board of Elections will convene a meeting on Friday, May 20, 2022, 9:00 A.M. in the Election Bureau Office, Government Center -Lower Level, 17 South 7th Street, Allentown for the following purposes:

- To commence the official canvassing of votes from the May 17, 2022 General Primary.
- To examine each provisional ballot envelopes from the May 17, 2022 General Primary to determine if the individuals who voted a Provisional Ballot was qualified to vote at the election district where the vote was cast.
- General purposes.

Pre-Canvassing of Absentee and Mail-In ballots will begin Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 7:00 A.M.

Aviso de Junta Electoral

La junta electoral del condado Lehigh va a tener una reunión el viernes, 20 de mayo 2022 a las 9:00 A.M. en la oficina de elecciones, dentro el centro de gobierno - nivel inferior, 17 South 7th Street, Allentown para los propósitos

- Para empezar el escrutinio oficial de los votos de la elección Primaria General del 17 de mayo 2022.
- Para examinar cada sobre de boleta provisional de la Primaria General del 17 de mayo 2022 para determinar si las personas que votaron en la boleta provisional estaban calificadas para votar en el distrito electoral donde se emitió el voto.
- Propósitos generales.

El escrutinio previo de las boletas en ausencia y por correo comenzará el martes 17 de mayo de 2022 a las 7:00 A.M.

> Election Board of Lehigh County La junta electoral de Lehigh De: Timothy A. Benyo Chief Clerk

ELECTION BOARD NOTICE

In accordance with Pennsylvania Statutes 25 P.S. § 2726, notice is hereby given to the electorate of Lehigh County, Pennsylvania of polling place changes before the May 17th, 2022 General Primary. Permanent changes will be notified by mail prior to May 17, 2022 General Primary.

AVISO DE LA JUNTA ELECCIONAL

De acuerdo con los Estatutos de Pennsylvania 25 P.S. § 2726, se notifica al electorado del condado de Lehigh, Pensilvania, de los cambios en el lugar de votación antes de la Primaria General del 17 de mayo de 2022. Los cambios permanentes se notificarán por correo antes de la Primaria General del 17 de mayo de 2022.

Upper Macungie 7th & 8th Districts

Former Location: Lighthouse Baptist Church LV, 2096 Independent Road, Breinigsville, PA New Location: Bible Baptist Church, 511 Farmington Road,

Breinigsville, PA Ubicación Anterior: Lighthouse Baptist Church LV, 2096 Independent Road, Breinigsville, PA

Nueva Ubicación: Bible Baptist Church, 511 Farmington Road, Breinigsville, PA

ELECTION BOARD NOTICE

The Lehigh County Board of Elections will conduct a public test of the central tabulating equipment which will be used to count and record mail ballots cast at the May 17, 2022 General Primary on Thursday, May 12, 2022, 10:00 A.M. in the Bureau of Elections & Voter Registration Office located on the bottom floor of the Lehigh County Government Center, 17 South 7th Street, Allentown, PA.

AVISO DE LA JUNTA ELECTORAL

La Junta de Elecciones del condado de Lehigh llevará a cabo la prueba pública del equipo de tabulación central que se utilizará para contar y registrar las boletas de voto por correo el 17 de mayo de 2022 en la Primaria General a las 10:00 A.M. el jueves, 12 de mayo 2022 en la oficina de registro de votantes localizado en el sótano del edificio centro de gobierno, 17 South 7th Street, Allentown, PA.

> Junta Electoral del condado de Lehigh De: Timothy A. Benyo Oficial Mayor

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Graphic commentary by Ed Courrier



BETHLEHEM HCC

4th Street block razing denied

BY ED COURRIER Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Bethlehem Historic Conservation Commission unanimously to deny a certificate of appropriateness for razing most of the 100 block of East Fourth Street and abutting East Morton Street properties at the April 18 hearing held in the Rotunda.

Representing Lehigh SH Development I were attorney Joseph Bubba and architect Jason Lutz.

The targeted properties include 106, 110-112, 116, 118, 122-124, and 126 E. Fourth St. along with 111-113, 115-117, 119 and 119.5 E. Morton St. The applicants were seeking approval to demolish a series of single-family detached dwellings in order to construct a new infill mixed-use development on properties they plan to purchase. The replacement structure would be seven stories tall with apartments over retail and a ground floor parking garage. The front of the proposed new construction would face East Morton with the back facing East Fourth.

As they were built between 1890 and 1950, Historic Officer Jeff Long described most of the targeted buildings and a stone retaining wall along East Fourth Street as "contributing." Long viewed the application as "inappropriate."

tempted to convince the block had passed. HCC that the buildings past their useful life.

affidavit from James worker's Jefferson, a principal Muffled laughter fol- Felker, erties and Praxis Real "If you look at other ar- Public Library. She and properties. "Due to the of something that the against the development concluded. age of the buildings, it public might consider that would abut the would be impractical to historical.' properly revitalize these with new product in the the project. market and have any return on investment, Jefferson writes, "By merely renovating the toric Society, adamantly buildings, I would suffer opposing the proposal a significant financial to demolish the neigh- Kim Carrel-Smith, ar- nied any affiliation with hardship ...

Bubba tried to make a case that just because tower" while Bethle- our district's purposes er's ability to house the the houses were 100 hem is in desperate need and guidelines, not in a school's student populayears old, they do not of affordable housing, small way, but in a seri-tion. merit the same scruti- said Lee, while suggestny as a "building given ing the existing houscharacterization significance." Bubba



PRESS PHOTO BY ED COURRIER

The houses and mature trees between the BAPL South Side branch at left and Jenny's Kuali restaurant anchoring the block at Adams and E. Fourth were targeted for demolition in a proposal rejected by Bethlehem's HCC.



Bubba and Lutz, along This former carriage house at 111-113, currently converted to with Kevin Serfass from apartments, and its neighbor to the right at 115-117 were among the Serfass Construction at- East Morton Street properties to be razed if the proposal to develop the

were dilapidated and quoted a source that ilies are being pushed Scheirer. "If this project

Around a dozen at-

The first was Esther

and low-income families.

Southside branch.

properties in a mean-tendees addressed the refuted the applicant's arty, Delia Marrero, ingful way that would commissioners with a claims of financial hard- Eric Frey, Seth Moglen, make them competitive strong message to reject ship and the dilapidated Dr. Al Wurth, and Concondition of the rent- nor Alexander. al properties based on Lee, on behalf of the what they lease for and ing or opposing the pro-South Bethlehem His- the city's inspection re- posal, Adrienne McNeil,

quirements. borhood to construct a gued the proposed devel- the development and "cookie-cutter student opment would "violate made clear her employous destructive way.'

said long-time historic chased the properties "More and more fam- district supporter Bill

described the neighbor- out of the neighborhood is not aborted, what will They provided an hood as a mix of steel- as student housing be born is an alien force residences. comes in," said Anne erupting from the midrepresenting section of South Bethof Morton Street Proplowed when he added, the Bethlehem Area lehem, a force that will eventually devour all of Estate which own the eas, it talks specifically the library board were South Bethlehem," he

Among those voicing opposition to the demoli-Resident Anna Smith tion were Connor Mori-

Although not endorsairements. speaking for Lehigh Another resident, Dr. University, reported, de-

Vice Chairman Craig "The history of the Evans noted the cur-

See BHCC on Page A6



Esther Lee, on behalf of the South Bethlehem Historic Society, adamantly opposes the proposed development project.



Dr. Kim Carrel-Smith argues the proposed development would "violate our district's purposes and guidelines, not in a small way, but in a serious destructive way."



Speaking for Lehigh University, Adrienne McNeil reports, "We are not affiliated with this development at all."



Kevin Serfass attempts to convince the HCC directors that the existing buildings in the targeted block for demo were "dilapidated" and "were past their useful life."



From left, architect Jason Lutz and attorney Joseph Bubba seek a COA for a proposal to raze most of the neighborhood bordered by some sort of historical es would better serve Southside is unique," rent owners had pur- East Fourth, East Morton, Webster and Adams streets and build a seven-story commercial and residential infill structure.

Ruth M. Zettlemoyer

LHS Band seamstress



Ruth M. Zettlemoyer, 79, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 26, 2022, at St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem. Born in College Park. Maryland, she was a daughter of the late William E. and Hannah M. BY CHRIS HARING (Furst) Crebs. She was the wife of Donald P. Zettlemoyer for 53 years.

She was a member of Central Assembly of God Church where she was a pianist, youth leader, Royal Ranger Buckaroo Commander, choir and orchestra director, Sunday School teacher and a member of the women's ministry. As a member of Cedar Crest Bible Fellowship Church, she was in the choir. She was also a member of Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church, Bethlehem. In her earlier years, she worked for First National Bank. She was a seamstress and "Grandmom" for Liberty Band since 1990. She would do alterations for weddings, proms and for anyone who was in need.

Arrangements were made by Trexler Funeral Home Inc., Allentown.

Elizabeth A. (Brey) Ampietro

Fountain Hill playground volunteer



Elizabeth A. (Brey) Ampietro, 94, of Fountain Hill, died peacefully April 25, 2022. Born in Packerton, she was the daughter of the late Edward and Edith (Mertz) Brey. She was the wife of the late Dominic J. "Nick" Ampietro for 64 years.

She was an active volunteer for the Fountain Hill Playground and with St. Peter's Lutheran Church, baking countless pies for the Bach festival. She participated in many valley bridge

She is survived by two sons, Nick and his wife Patty, and their son Nicolas of Salisbury Township and Dan and his wife Virginia of Montrose, Colorado; and two brothers, Edward Brey and his wife Althea of Fountain Hill and Harry Brey and his wife

Nancy of Davenport, Florida.
Contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 399 Market St., Suite 250 Philadelphia,

Arrangements were made by Cantelmi Long Funeral Home Inc., Fountain Hill.

Dorothy M. Mika

T&CBL counter person

Dorothy "Dottie" M. Mika, 91, of Bethlehem, died April 22, 2022. Born in Bethlehem, she was co, a candidate to reprea daughter of the late Joseph and Rose (Uberoth) sent the 131st legislative Kepfer. She was the wife of the late George W. Mika for 43 years.

She worked earlier in life for Almart's and Fash-currently held by firstion Flair. She was a counter person at Town and Country Bowling Lanes.

She is survived by two sons, Larry with wife Patti of Bethlehem and Jerry with wife Diane of Georgia; six grandchildren, George Kurisco, Kristy Kitrell, Shaun and Drew Mika and Brett and Todd Mika; seven great-grandchildren; and a son-in-law, Austin Kurisco of Bethlehem Township

She was predeceased by a daughter, Linda K. Kurisco; two sisters, Margaret Hartner and Marie Merwine; and two brothers, Joseph and Robert

Contributions may be made to the SPCA of Northampton County, 1165 Island Park Rd., Easton,

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HELLERTOWN

Community library concerns remain

Special to the Bethlehem Press

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Despite the best efforts of several officials and community leaders to work toward the resolution of a months-long spat between the Hellertown and Lower Saucon Township councils regarding funding the Hellertown Area Library, the lack of progress on an agreement was once again the major topic of interest coming out of the borough's April 18

Mayor David Heintzelman read a prepared statement explaining that on April 13, the Rev. Phillip C. Spohn of Christ Lutheran Church hosted an informal session attended by representatives from both municipalities' governing bodies as well as HAL President Ken Solt.

In his statement, Heintzelman said that Lower Saucon Township "expressed the idea of regionalizing library services with other communities." Lower Saucon Council President Jason Banonis proposed as a potential partner several months ago, to which the Southern Lehigh Public Library officials have responded, "frankly, we do not want to be involved in this fight, and have made that very clear... on several occasions."

Democrat Kevin Brandistrict in the Pa. House of Representatives (a seat term Republican Milou Mackenzie), commented on the Facebook stream of the meeting: "While I'm open to the idea of re-



The Hellertown Area Library – subject of a heated dispute over funding over the past several months - is no closer to a resolution, despite a meeting between officials on April 13.

gionalization, I'm skepti- es - through discounted the difference in "lost" cal of its validity on this season passes was proscale. Due to the fact that posed by council Presithis is an area library, is it not regional in nature

already? Branco continued. "Now 4.5 months into this debate we are to bely cutting funding to it, you work with all parties to grow." It was not immediately clear what the potential impacts of

residents.

dent Thomas Rieger.

Hill officials approached borough Manager Cathy behalf of residents who pool currently charges an additional entry fee for non-residents.

Rieger characterized "regionalizing" services the potential relationfurther might be for Hell-ship as mutually-benefiertown or Lower Saucon cial, saying Hellertown, 'is always open to work-Another familiar top- ing together where it ic of consternation in the makes the most sense." borough was soon raised, It was explained that in as allowing Fountain Hill allowing Fountain Hill until recently struggled would ultimately receive among other challeng- partner borough to cover get organized.

out-of-town fees.

In other news, Hartranft asked to comment Rieger said Fountain on the ongoing Hometown Hero banner project, as a newly-crafted Hartranft to inquire on set of the decorations - which affix to street lieve this is what [Lower might wish to patron-lights throughout the Saucon has] been envi- ize Hellertown facili- borough in celebration sioning? You don't rede- ties over the summer of local military vetersign a system by abrupt-months, particularly at ans - are being hung by "resident rates" - as the the Public Works depart-

While "it's very exciting," she asked interested parties to refrain from contacting her office to inquire about a particular banner's location, as she's working on a comprehensive spreadsheet that will be made available to the public. She also urged residents who residents access to the residents to enjoy the are looking to pick up Hellertown Pool - which lower rate, Hellertown banners that are being removed to give the borto find adequate staffing, reimbursement from its ough a couple of weeks to



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CENTER FOR ANIMAL HEALTH & WELFARE

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



At 6 years old, Angus is finally learning what love is. This super sweet little man is always ready for a time spent with feline friends. Although he can be slow to warmup, Angus proves that anything worth having is worth the work.



Mini has called the shelter home for over a month and, at 8 years old, she hopes to find her new furryummy treat and some ever home soon. This adorable miniature pinscher wants nothing more than to bond with someone and live out her days in a quiet environment.

HELLERTOWN

Kaufmann benefit dinners May 9, 10

The Hellertown-Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce, for "Funds for the Family," a fundraiser for the Kaufman family May 9 and 10. Locally catered dinners costs 15 dollars per person. Proceeds from the event will benefit a memorial in Morris J. Dimmick Park.

There will be a BBQ dinner catered by Nick's BBQ on May 9 at the Se- Wy- Co Fire Company, 1 Kenny Headman Lane, Bethlehem. Visit ow.ly/ VPKA50IMGH for information and tickets.

There will be a spaghetti and meatball dinner catered by Brooklyn's Catering at the Carriage House, 326 Main St., Hellertown, on May 10. Visit http://ow.ly/xApl50IMGPF for information and

The Kaufman family sisters, Brianna Baer, age 15, and Abigail Kaufman, age 10, perished in a house fire on April 1, 2022.

Say you saw it in the Bethlehem Press

Property owner objects to bridge replacement

BY CHRISTINA SANTO Special to The Press

Northampton County Council met on April 7 to hold a public hearing for Ordinance 814, as advertised at their last meeting

Property owner Liviu Victor Rusu has objected to the replacement of the bridge and wants it removed entirely. Therefore, council has determined that it is necessary and appropriate to acquire a "Tem-Construction Easement" for a project involving the replace-

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY ment of the bridge.

nance,

unanimously. Also at the meeting, Fol the council honored from athletic achieve-

Easton Area HS fresh-Through the ordi- man Aubre Krazer and ty in accordance with was honored for his exordinance was adopted record as part of the LHS shortcomings. swim team.

former regarding Nursing Home at multi-Among them were ple county council meet-

ings, council seeks to conduct an overall study on the performance of Gracedale.

The study will in-Northampton Liberty HS senior Pat-clude, but is not limited County will temporarily rick Gilhool. Krazer was to: an analysis of revebe able to cross or oth- honored for her pioneer- nue and expenditure, erwise use 412 square ing efforts as a female a determination of emfeet of Rusu's proper- wrestler, while Gilhool ployee morale, and most importantly, a way for project completion. The cellent performance and council to address any

County Council's Following complaints next meeting is schedstaff, uled for 6:30 p.m. May various high school sturesidents, and other 5 at 669 Washington St. dents for their outstand- members of the public and streamed live on the Gracedale county's YouTube page.

BHCC

Continued from page A4 starting 2006 through 2015, "which allows for a considerable amount of time to have done some maintenance on these properties.'

Evans said, "We're looking at a situation that we often encounter called 'demolition by ne-

"As to being contrib-

was said with some structures. degree of denigration. a historic district. This task of determining if to a building's exterior. ing by building."

Cornish with, "I have been stead-neighborhood in one of before any project is alfastly against demoli- three designated histor- lowed to proceed. tion in our district for some time." He made

ic districts.

Obtaining a certifi-

uting, it was said that the supported motion cate of appropriateness these were 'steelwork- to deny recommending is only a first step for ers' houses, and that a COA to demolish the business owners and residents in a designat-The Bethlehem HCC ed historic district who That's what makes this is charged with the wish to make alterations is a district, not a build- new signs or other al- The commission's recterations to a building's ommendations are lat-Commissioner Seth exterior would be an er reviewed, and then brnish weighed in appropriate fit for the voted on by city council

POOL

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cia., who said the American Legion Post 406 sold the land to the borough at the request of the recreation committee on Aug. 24, 1948 "with the agreement that it could never be used for anything but the purpose of recreation.'

Fountain Hill Borough is trying to arrange for pool partnerships with Hellertown and Allentown at resident rates.



Resident Jason Brandon pleads with council to make every effort to open the borough pool this summer. **PRESS PHOTOS BY MARCUS DIGUILIO**





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THE PRESS 7.

Hawks battling for a district spot

BY PETER CAR pcar@tnonline.com

Your always want to be playing your best toward the end of a season and Bethlehem Catholic hopes that's the case for their baseball team as the season heads toward the home stretch.

The Hawks (7-8) have won three out of their last four games to push themselves in postseason contention with five games left on the calen-

The defending district champs have a path laid out in front of them to clinch a spot in districts, as well as battle for one of the final spots in the EPC tournament depending on how well they close out the schedule.

Becahi only needs to split two of their final BY KATIE MCDONALD four league contests to kmcdonald@tnonline.com solidify a spot in districts, but they also want to make sure they keep

improving.
"On top of being young, we have faced a lot of adversity this season," said Becahi head coach Matt Corsi. "The team has really come together during it all and we are starting to play our best baseball. We always say you want to play your best base-ball toward the end of the season and into the postseason. Hopefully we are trending in that direction."

The Hawks face Liberty (15-1) and Dieruff (4-10) this week, as they look to at least split this won by Brylee Tereska ry from here on out will keep adding to Becahi's district power rating, which could also be used as another tool in their arsenal to qualify for the postseason. Finishing .500 or better overall in the league will garner automatic qualification for the postseason, but staying inside the top six of the 4A power ratings will also land them a berth.

Currently, the Hawks are fifth in the power ratings and have a com- BY PETER CAR fortable advantage over teams like Northwestern, North Schuylkill and Jim Thorpe in that category, but taking care of their own business on the diamond is what's paramount for the team, which is also struggling with injuries at the moment.

"I think one to two more wins will keep us in the top six in points,' said Corsi, "but you can't be sure till the end of the season. The young nal round. kids have really developed over the season, but now we are dealing with a ton of injuries on top of it all. We just keep plugging away and taking it one game at a time.'

Liberty (15-1) has kept See BASE on Page A8



Liberty's Kenneth Ruiz wins the 400 meter dash during the Hurricanes track and field meet against Easton on April 25, 2022.

LHS splits vs. EHS

Easton's girls track and field team snuck by Liberty's girls, 76-74, but Liberty's boys handled Easton's boys comfort-ably, 92-58, last Monday at Liberty.

Despite the two-point loss, the Hurricane girls had several first-place finishes, including three first-second-third place finishes: in the 200 meter dash won by Jesikah Samuel (27.4), followed by Aziah Wilkens (27.8), and Sara Gonzalez (28.0); in triple jump won by Brooke Rawls (33-08.00), followed by Bianca Justance (32-08.00), and (120-02), followed by Gianna Sciarra (87-04), and Julia Medaska (77-01).

"My technique was pretty good on that throw, but I was slow, so I need to speed it up a little bit,," said Tereska, who threw a 129-01.00 two weekends ago at the 95th Annual Jack Roddick High School Invita-



PRESS PHOTOS BY KATIE MCDONALD

Liberty's Jesikah Samuel nears the finish line of the 200 meter dash during the Hurricanes track and field meet against Easton on April 25.

University.

first place in shot put 400 meter dash (54.4). (36-04.00), Brooke Rawls first in pole vault (11-

long jump (15-11.00). Madeline won the 3200 meter run

(12:14.7).scorers for the Hurricanes were Josh Farrell (10.8), Tyler Daley in the

200 meter dash (23.5), Tamia Bruce took and Kenneth Ruiz in the and knowing when to

Emrick Leshko took won high jump (4-07.00), first place in the 800 me-Annika Flanigan was ter run (2:07.0), Jacob Orrico was first in the 10.00), and Samuel won 1600 meter run (4:47.9), and Owen Reilly won the Mumma 3200 meter run (10:34.1).

"My plan was hold my pace, relax, let them In boys events, top do the work and then orers for the Hurri- just go," said Leshko. nes were Josh Farrell "I haven't run for eight in the 100 meter dash days, so holding that

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tional at Shippensburg Pates eye EPC berths

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Freedom's boys and girls lacrosse teams will be fighting for East Penn Conference playoff berths this week, as the regular season winds down this weekend.

The Freedom boys (13-2) should be able to lock up one of the top four seeds in next week's league tournament, which begins Monday with the semifi-

Nazareth 13-5 on Mon- make the EPC playoffs. day and finish the regular season on Wednes- 2) rounding out the othday against Liberty.

Freedom, with Central playoffs. Catholic (11-0), Easton (13-2) and Parkland (13- their first setbacks of



BY MARK KIRLIN

Kailey Turpening and The Pates knocked off the girls are looking to

er spots. It would mark A win over the Hur- the first time in program ricanes should clinch at history that they would least the fourth seed for participate in the league

> suffered Freedom

the season last week with losses to the Rovers and Trojans, but could have a shot at redemption against either team in the conference tournament or in the district playoffs.

While the losses aren't what they wanted, head coach Tony Fabrizio understood it can't always go your way in a season.

"I think the biggest takeaway from our losses last week is that we don't have the roster depth to play six games in eight days," he said. "It was definitely tough not having any rest days before Parkland and Easton, and it showed with our play. We have tough boys this year though. They

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Patriots track adds four wins

BY KATIE MCDONALD kmcdonald@tnonline.com

Freedom's track and field teams added four wins to their record, defeating Bethlehem Catholic girls, 110-40, and Allentown Central Catholic girls, as well as Bethlehem Catholic boys, 95-55, and Central boys, 82-68 on a sunny but windy day last Thursday at Freedom.

Individual event winners in the girls meet were Ramiah Rivera (BC) in the 200 meter dash (27.60), Ava Fihlman (F) in the 800 meter run (2:43.00) and the 1600 meter run (5:37.90), Candy Florentino (F) in the 100 meter hurdles (18.20), Sydney Brown (F) in the 300 meter hurdles (49.70), Gianna Dowling (F) in high jump (4-07.00), Jasmine Chiu (F) in pole vault (8-00.00), Jianna Brown (F) in long jump (15-07.50), Chloe Moschberger (F) in shot put (31-11.00), Isabel Rodriguez (F) in discus (99-08), and Olessya Minorics (BC) in javelin (97-10).

Moschberger's throw last Thursday matched season-opening throw, which is her personal record for 2022.

"Changing my starting from a dynamic to a static start has really helped me," said the Patriot senior. "You start up higher which gives you more time to sink down and keep your hips low."

Rodriguez has been constant in the East Penn Conference's discus top three this sea-

"[What's working is] switching my feet at the end of my throws

release it, holding my

arm back," Rodriguez said. "It's really all momentum and being confident.'

Individual event winners in the boys meet were Ben-Isaac Joseph (F) in the 100 meter dash (11.70), Melkhi Britt (BC) in the 200 meter dash (24.50), and Kensley Jossil (BC) in the 400 meter dash (52.20).

"I know I have a slow start, but I know the advantage I have is I can pick up my pace," said Jossil. "The guy in lane six was running well, and for the last 200, I knew it was go time.'

Other winners were Alex Heidemann (F) in the 800 meter run (2:04.00) and the 1600 meter run (4:48.40), Amare DuBoise (F) in the 110 meter hurdles (17.90) and the 300 meter hurdles (45.30), Stephan Richards (F) in high jump (5-05.00), Nicolas Roof (BC) in long jump (21-10.00), and Steve Recchio (BC) in javelin (150-

10).

"Runway conditions and with the wind, it wasn't a great day," said Recchio, whose personal record is 171-09. "I got stronger, and my technique has improved significantly. If one thing goes wrong, it'll mess up your throw, so getting all the components of how your body is supposed to be moving to work in unison is what I've been working on. I really want to get up

over the 178 mark."
In relays, Freedom's girls won the 4x4 (names unavailable), and Freedom's boys won the 4x1 and 4x4 (names unavailable). Allentown Central Catholic won the girls 4x1 and 4x8 and the boys



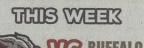
Freedom's Chloe Moschberger took first place in shot put, and Isabel Rodriguez placed first in discus during the Patriots track and field meet against Becahi and Central Catholic on April 28.



PRESS PHOTOS BY KATIE MCDONALD

Bethlehem Catholic's Kensley Joasil wins the 400 meter dash.





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Farrell, Heidemann, Bruce hold top spots

leased it's fourth installment of track and field top performers for the 2022 season.

Liberty's Josh Farell remains tied at the top spot in the 100 with a time of 10.7. He's tied with Dylan Simon of Parkland.

Farrell now holds the top spot in the 400 as rick Moore (PV) 10.8. well, timing in at 50.41. **200:** 1. Benjamin Henry well, timing in at 50.41. Alex Heidemann of Freedom still claims the top spot in the 1600 with a time of 4:22. Heidemann is also second in the 3200 and fourth in the 800.

On the girls side and in the shot put, Liberty's Tamia Bruce has the best throw so far with a

Here's a look at the top five performers in each event.

4x100: 1. Parkland 43.04, 2. Emmaus (Tylik Jarvis, Donovan McCargo, Didro Augustin, Samuel Moratori) 43.2, 3. Nazareth 43.8, 4. Northampton 43.83, 5. Dieruff 44.27.

4x400: 1. Emmaus (Holden Brown, Tyler Hargis, Zac Olszewski, Blaise Verrastro) Orrico (L) 10:12.85, 5. Avi

The Eastern Penn- 3:29.0, 2. Nazareth 3:30.7, 3. Hochhauser (P) 10:17.83. sylvania Conference re- Bethlehem Catholic 3:33.0, 4. Parkland 3:34.4, 5. Stroudsburg 3:35.45.

4x800: 1. Emmaus (Matthew Norton, Tyler Finck, Dahlin Allport, Oscar Felegy) 8:29.3, 2. Parkland 8:34.7, 3. Northampton 8:38.87, 4. Liberty 8:39.0, 5. Central Catholic

100: 1. Dylan Simon (P), Josh Farrell (L) 10.7, 3. Benjamin Henry (No), Jaiden Lee (W), Jaylen Morrison (S), Pat-

(No) 21.66, 2. Dylan Simon (P) 22.2, 3. Jaiden Lee (W) 22.4, 4. Jack Sanchez Cuesta (D), Blaise Verrastro (Em) 22.6.

400: 1. Josh Farrell (L) 50.41, 2. Blaise Verrastro (Em) 50.7, 3. Kensley Josail (BC) 50.77, 4. Chase Bonstein (F) 51.72, 5. Jaylen Morrison (S)

800: 1. Jordan Gagner (Na) 2:00.33, 2. Cameron Koch (Na) 2:00.6, 3. Jacob Barnes (P) 2:01.46, 4. Alexander Heidemann (F) 2:01.5, 5. Brady Hoffman (P) 2:02.43.

1600: 1. Alexander Heidemann (F) 4:22.0, 2. Cameron Koch (Na) 4:31.75, 3. Ethan Strzempek (Em) 4:36.9, 4. Liam McLaughlin (S) 4:37.39, 5. Liam Davis (ESS) 4:37.53.

3200: 1. Paul Abeln (P) 9:57.12, 2. Alexander Heidemann (F) 9:57.3; 3. Ethan Willard (P) 10:00.09, 4. Jacob

Jake Hilarczyk (Na) 15.2, 3. Matthew Capobianco (Na) 15.3, 4. Tyler Hoysan (P), Christopher Reed (PMW) 15.6.

300H: 1. Shaun Apsley (No) 39.7, 2. Jake Hilarscyk (Nz) 40.6, 3. Andrew Beers (P) 41.5, 4. Parker Hoff (Na) 42.2, 5. Lorenzo Thompson (PMW) 42.5.

High jump: 1. Leyti Ndiaye (ESS), Lucien Freeman (Em) 6-4, 3. Kamoni Smith-Johnson (S) 6-3, 4. Jayden Ekoko (Ea), Damaurian Jones-Golson (L)

Pole vault: 1. Aiden Hurlburt (Em) 14-4 2. Tyler Grabinski (Em), Drew Brinker (S) 13-6, 4. Chris Hu (S) 11-9, 5. Charlie Haring (CC) 11-6.

Long jump: 1. Logan Henry (No) 22-7.5, 2. Kyle Moore (Em) 21-10, 3. Samuel Chedester (Ea) 21-5, 4. Damaurian Jones-Golston (L), Aidan Rompilla (BC), Jake Hilarczyk (Na) 20-11.

Triple jump: 1. Michael Lawrence (PMW) 44-1.5, 2. Samuel Chedester (Ea) 43-7.75, 3. Kyle Moore (Em) 43-01, 4. Kevin Polonia (S) 43-0, 5. Weston Simak (Na) 42-7.

Shot put: 1. Anthony Liguiori (S) 52-2, 2. Odin Ferency (Ea) 51-7, 3. Ron Blake (ESS) 46-8, 4. Aiden Tacker (W) 46-0, 5. Willie Middleton (D) 44-11.

Discus: 1. Anthony Liguori (S) 141-2, 2. Odin Ferency (Ea) 134-5, 3. Rafael Ruiz (D) 132-8, 4. Aiden Tacker (W) 132-7, 5.

Javelin: 1. Robert McClosky (ESS) 183-7, 2. Kevin Givone (Na) 180-2, 3. Andrew Nguyen (P) 175-1, 4. Steve Recchio (BC) 171-9, 5. Jack Donchez (L) 168-10.

GIRLS 4x100: 1. Parkland (Ivy Dias, Hailey Sammarco, Mel-anie Lowe, Naeema Salau) 50.0, 2. Stroudsburg 50.99, 3. Pleasant Valley 51.6, Emmaus (Emily Buss, Abigail Burnett, Heather Augustin, Morgan Tandy) 51.6, 5. Dieruff 51.7. 4x400: 1. Nazareth (Violet

Alao, Kylie Karavitch, Amanda Mercurius, Skyler Jordan) 4:08.17, 2. Easton 4:08.7, 3. Parkland 4:09.46, 4. Pleas-ant Valley 4:18.2, 5. 4. Liberty

4x800: 1. Easton 9:55.0, 2. Parkland 10:04.0, 3. Pleasant Valley 10:09.1, 4. Emmaus (Addison Johnson, Elizabeth Burns, Addison Kleinle, Hailey Reinhard) 10:20.1, 5. Liberty

100: 1. Naeema Salau (P), Kiana Young (S), Jesikah Samuel (L) 12.5, 4. Abigail Burnett (Em) 12.6, 5. Amanda Mercurius (Na), Aaliyah Coancel (PMW) 12.7.

200: 1. Naeema Salau (P) 25.74, 2. Kiana Young (S) 25.8, 3. Hailey Falzone (Na), Aaliyah Cancel (PMW) 26.2, 5. Cierra Valley (P) 26.4.

400: 1. Lucy Tobia (P) 1:00.7, 2. Reagan Day (Ea) 1:01.0, 3. Sophie Emin (Ea)

1:01.10, 4. Kylie Karavitch (Na) 1:01.2, 5. Addison Shevlin (P)

800: 1. Hailey Reinhard (Em) 2:18.6, 2. Kylie Karavitch (Na) 2:21.3, 3. Sophie Emin 2:21.4, 4. Erin Vincent (Ea) 2:22.6, 5. Gracie Trexler (P) 2:25.1.

1600: 1. Hailey Reinhard (Em) 5:08.8, 2. Lana Hurwitz (P) 5:18.94, 3. Erin Vincent (Ea) 5:25.3, 4. Sophie Emin (Ea) 5:31.3, 5. Payton Campbell (Em) 5:23.7.

3200: 1. Hailey Reinhard (Em) 11:20.8, 2. 4. Avaline Fihlman (F) 11:41.09, 3. Payton Campbell (Em) 11:57.9, 4. Madeline Mumma (L) 11:58.55, 5. Isabella Lees (Em) 11:59.9.

100H: 1. De'Nair Drew (PV) 15.2, 2. Madison Bowman (P) 15.6, 3. Melanie Lowe (P), Liberty Williams (D) 15.8, 5. Magie Scalzo (Ea) 16.2. 300H: 1. Maggie Scalzo

(Ea) 46.3, 2. Jayla Reinert (Ea) 47.5, 3. Sydney Brown (F) 47.94, 4. De'Nair Drew (PV) 48.6, 5. Madison Bowman (P) High jump: 1. Madeleine

Battista (P), Vatijah Davis (PMW) 5-3, 3. Sheldyne Pierre (Em), Alexandra Cook (W) 5-0, Hailey Falzone (Na), Allison Reimer (P) 4-11. Pole vault: 1. Coral Shivok

12-0, 2. Annika Flannigan 11-10, 3. Reese Ruggiero (PV) 9-9, 4. Morgan Belisle (Em) 9-6, 5. Ava Wells (W) 9-3. Long jump: 1. Liberty Wil-

liams (D) 17-7.5, 2. Jesikah Samuel (L) 16-8, 3. Grace Nation (P) 16-6.5, 4. Emma Blackham (Na) 16-5, 5. Zoey Emrick (Nz), Maya Morefeld

(Na) 16-1. Triple jump: 1. Grace
Nation (P) 37-10, 2. Brooke
Rawls (L) 35-3, 3. Vatijah Davis (PMW) 34-8, 4. Biance
Justance (L) 33-10, 5. Anyeli

Velazquez (D) 33-9.75. Shot put: 1. Tamia Bruce (L) 36-4, 2. Godwina Biney (D) 35-9.5, 3. Electra Theagene (W) 34-7, 4. Molly Lineberger (Em) 33-7, 5. Kelly Leszcynski (Na) 32-9.

Discus: 1. Kelly Leszcynski (Na) 109-0, 2. Molly Lineberger (Em) 105-5, 3. Isabel Rodriguez (F) 104-0, 4. Leanne Villante (Ea) 98-7, 5. Rebecca Coleman (No) 98-1.

Javelin: 1. Kelly Lyszcynski (Na) 139-5, 2. Brylee Tereska 129-4, 3. Tierney Mcarroll (PME) 121-0, 4. Reia Sanchez (No) 113-9, 5. Chloe Chase (P)

(A), Bethlehem Catholic (BC), Central Catholic (CC), Dieruff (D), East Stroudsburg North (ESN), East Stroudsburg South (ESS), Easton (Ea), Emmaus (Em), Freedom (F), Liberty (L), Nazareth (Na), Northampton (No), Parkland (P), Pleasant Valley (PV), Pocono Mountain East (PME), Pocono Mountain West (PMW), Stroudsburg (S),

Liberty softball team picks up a victory

BY KATIE MCDONALD

canes bounced back from a 7-4 loss to Nazareth last Thursday to a 7-5 win over Notre Dame Green Pond last Friday at Liberty.

"We strung the hits together today," said Liberty coach Sam Carrodo. "When we were needed that." down 3-1, I asked them to show heart, show what they had inside

them. If we want to have fourth inning. any kind of shot at doing and Molly (Devers) had

Devers' homer was a

Miya (Williams) pitched

"I was only focused anything postseason, on trying to hit one of we have to get some- the girls in, and when I thing going emotionally, first hit it, I thought the and they came around, centerfielder was going to catch it. I'd never hit the big home run, and a home run before, so I we took off from there. was just like, OK, just gotta focus on getting well today and fielded the hit down, making the mound well, and we sure I get one," Devers said.

Trailing 3-1, Liberthree-run blast to center ty shortstop Arianna said. "I was looking at did her damage. field in the bottom of the Castillo's hit to center Coach Sam, and he kept

field turned into an in-telling me to go. I was baseman Megan Shields out of Jacie Singley's ed him.'

glove.

side-the-park-home run very surprised. I was had an RBI double in the when the ball popped very scared, but I trust- top of the fifth inning,

about to catch it and and both runners adthen I saw it tipped off vanced on a wild pitch. her glove, and I was Paige Nienstedt walked like, I was freaking out, on four straight balls, lehem rivals, Liberty trying to run as fast as and Addison Sabo's dou- and Freedom will meet I can while I was taking ble put the 'Canes ahead, for the second time this in the moment," Castillo 4-3. That's when Devers season. The Hurricanes

but the 'Canes saved Maddie Noll then had a run when Williams "I was a bit bummed a line drive base hit, tagged out Hannah Lilout when I saw she was Madi Knepp walked, ly, who got caught in a rundown between third base and home.

This Thursday, Bethwon the first contest at

FHS, LHS tennis teams win in quarterfinals

Freedom and Liber- Hornets at Freedom. ty's boys tennis teams were winners in the District XI Class 3A Team Tennis Quarterfinals on Monday, advancing past Press deadlines.

The Patriots were able to avenge an earlier es for the Patriots were

4-3 loss to Emmaus with Noah Potts over Eddie canes swept their match- winners over Isaan Pa- 6-1, 6-3.

hugani, who was in his both teams to the semi-regular spot on Monday, 7-5, 1-1 (default).

At the time of the Gilboy, 6-0, 6-1, and Noah

Emmaus's Desai and Ayden Kegfinal round on Tuesday, defeating Nick Stone, ley were winners over feated Ilias Phanzu, 6-0, Noah Bautista and Rohit 6-1.

a 4-1 victory over the Chow, 6-2, 6-1, Gavin es against Nazareth, tel and Logan Baltz, 6-1,

earlier match, the Pates Rodburg and Dylan Sar- feated Alex Rodriguez, against Sai Pulavarthy Brian Yang at three sinwere without two sin- kozy over Gabe Hauff 6-0, 6-3, Roman Far- and Alay Patel, 1-6, 6-1, gles gles player Arun Ch- and Ryan Baig, 6-4, 6-3. had defeated Gideon 10-8. Rohan Knowles, 6-0, 6-1, and

Luke Appleman de- fell to Moravian 5-1.

Also winning match-for the Patriots were The Liberty Hurri- and Sid Tekumalla were defeated Will Menichelli

Labaddia over Nicholas winning 5-0, at Liberty. 7-5, and Chris Giannaras Moravian were Ford Shayaan Farhad de- and Jacksen Jobes won Koch at two singles and

Picking up wins for

Okezue Bell and Ken-Bethlehem Catholic dall Bolden won at one doubles and Nabeel Ri-Arman Makwana was fai and Hunter Zicherthe lone winner for the man won at two doubles.

Jacob Scheirer- Arca-

Boys Lacrosse

Benjamin Wagner-

Tennis (boys)

Track and Field

Brylee Tereska-Buck-

Joshua Farrell- West

Volleyball (boys)

Bloomsburg University

Chester University

Lebanon Valley College

Moravian University

Col-

Farhad-

Donchez-

McFadden-

dia University

Brennan

Shayaan

Jack

Owen

own-Bridgewater

Continued from page A7 didn't complain one time about it, and kept fighting through the fatigue. I think that says a lot about our team as a whole. We've also learned from our mistakes from those losses, and look to correct them going forward.'

The season will wind down for both Liberty and Bethlehem Catholic boys programs this week. The Hurricanes (2-10) have games with Northampton, Freedom and Quakertown to end the week, while Becahi

be the only local team league entry with the contests with Freedom battling for an EPC Bears more than likely and Becahi on Tuesday berth, as the Pates have finishing out the season and Wednesday, while three games this week undefeated as well. against Nazareth, Liberty and Lake Lehman. Bethlehem A sweep of this week's (0-10) are in identical city rivalry against the contests still might not situations as the boys Hurricanes. be enough for the Pates programs, as they close won the initial meeting (10-4), as Pleasant Valout their campaigns this this season 13-4. ley (12-4) sits a spot in week as well.



PRESS PHOTO BY LINDA ROTHROCK

(0-12) finishes with Cen- Grace Hartman and the Hawks are looking for a tral Catholic on Wednes- win before the season ends.

Freedom's girls will front of them for the last

The Hurricanes have the Hawks have Central Liberty (2-13) and Catholic on Tuesday Catholic before closing out their

Deschamps was also ever had, and that right on the winning 4x4 relay there was the best handteam of Farrell, Ruiz, off I've had in a long and, Jack Huie (3:35.8). time. You've gotta wait, Huie, Hayden Shiban, look back at your team-Leshko, and Spencer mate, and once they hit Sabo combined to win that mark, that's when you've got to go into

heading to college BY PETER CAR

Liberty announced their latest list of student-athletes heading to play sports in the fall, recently.

pcar@tnonline.com

This year's group consisted of 20 seniors moving on to the next level.

The complete list in- sity cludes: Cheerleading

Jaelin Morales-Temple University Taylor Wright- Morgan State University

Field Hockey Tavia Flecksteiner-

PACE University Nicole Guzman- Cedar Crest College Sydney Taylor- Misericordia University

'Canes introduce group

Football Anthony Sarkozy-Wilkes University

Girls Basketball Tamia Bruce- Penn State Lehigh Valley Erin Eisenhart-Gwynedd Mercy Univer-

Swim and Dive Addison Collins- University of Delaware Patrick Gilhool- Bos- nell University ton University

Wrestling Reid-Christian Bloomsburg University-

ener University

Baseball Hayden O'Neill- Wid- King's College

four opponents. The' in order to qualify for 'Canes look to keep that districts. up this week with Beca-They have Easton (11-

hi and Freedom on tap. 4), Liberty and Strouds-The Patriots (6-10) burg (7-9) this week in ners of 14 straight and need to win their last a difficult stretch of four games of the season games.

Continued from page A7 felt pretty good. Props to [the other runners] for pacing really well because I couldn't have done that without them. It hit perfectly for my game plan."

Raymon Deschamps was a double winner in individual events: the 110 meter hurdles Raydles (43.3).

the 4x8 relay (9:00.6), and Wright, and Daley won timing." the 4x1 relay (45.0).

mon Deschamps (16.2) acceleration," said Da- Jack Donchez won javeand the 300 meter hur- ley. "I'd been having lin (153-07).

the worst handoffs I've Damian de Los Santos turbo mode, and that's Suriel, Farrell, Kyndred what I did today. Perfect

Bryce Bailey won "My main thing is pole vault (11-00.00), and

Continued from page A7 annihilating the competition, as they're winhave shutout their last

BECAHI GIRLS HOOP CAMP

girls basketball will host 9:15 a.m. Cost is \$90. two camps this summer. The Baby Birds Camp Camp will take place will be led by Coach

The Lady Hawks will take place June from June 20-23 for kids Medina and Lady Hawk 13-15 for kids entering entering grades 4-9. The players and staff. grades K-3. The camp camp will run from 9 will run from 9:30 a.m.- a.m.-1:30 p.m. Doors

Bethlehem Catholic 12 p.m. Doors open at open at 8:45 a.m. Cost is \$135.

Camps

Municipal news

COLONIAL REGIONAL POLICE DEPARTMENT request: Recently, unknown individuals have been throwing and/or placing debris on Hanoverville Road between Gwenmawr Road and Monocacy Park. Debris has included large stones, wooden logs (firewood), etc. that has caused damage to motor vehicles. These mischievous and dangerous activities have occurred in the overnight hours. If anyone has information relative to these incidents, please contact the Colonial Regional Police Department at 610-759-2200.

2023 HOTEL TAX GRANTS APPLICATIONS are open now through June 10 with the Northampton County Department of Community and Economic Development.

Applicants must register and submit applications at web. northamptoncounty.org/DCEDForms/views/Login.html. For information and questions, call Karen Collis at 610-829-6314 or email kcollis@northamptoncounty.org

NORCO ELECTRONIC RECYCLING: Permanent Electronics Drop-Off Locations: Best Buy, 4413 Birkland Place, Easton; Staples, various locations. Call 610-250-2689 (no televisions accepted at Pennsylvania store locations). Fees may apply. DRC Technologies, 2005 Main St., Northampton. Call 610-502-0854

Wednesday, May 4

Historical Architectural Review Board, 5 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St. Members of the public may attend in person; masks required. Questions and comments, including name and phone number, may be submitted 24 hours in advance of meeting to planninginfo@bethlehem-pa.gov. Meeting livestreamed for viewing purposes only on: www.youtube.com/channel/UC4HYHr4C-6mVbfhRXhWYXaJw

Fountain Hill Finance, P.W., Personnel, House committees, 5:30 p.m. 941 Long St.

Hanover (LeCo) Coumil, 7:30 p.m. 2202 Grove Road.

Thursday, May 5

NorCo Economic Development Committee, 3:30 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton. NorCo Human Services Committee, 4:30 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton,

NorCo Council, 6:30 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

Bethlehem Environmental Advisory Council, 7 p.m. Illick's Mill - second floor, 100 Illick's Mill Road.

Friday, May 6

NorCo NCCD Education & Outreach Committee, 1 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton. (via

Monday, May 9

Bethlehem Housing Authority, 4:30 p..m. Monocacy Towers. NorCo NCCD Administration & Ops Committee, 5:30 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton. (via Zoom)

BASD Board Facilities and Curriculum committees, 6 p.m. Education center, 1516 Sycamore St.

Bethlehem Twp. Recreation Commission, 6 p.m. Municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.

Fountain Hill Planning Commission, 7 p.m. 941 Long St.

Tuesday, May 10

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

Hellertown Planning Commission, 7 p.m. 685 Main St. NorCo Conservation District Board, 7 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

Wednesday, May 11

Northampton Co. Industrial Development Authority, 4 p.m., Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton. NorCo Karst Geology Advisory Council, 4 p.m. Northamp-

ton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

City Zoning Hearing Board, special meeting, 6 p.m. Applications may be viewed at www.bethlehem-pa.gov/calendar-planning-zoning/ or in city hall. Questions and comments (include name and phone number may be submitted by 4 p.m. May 9 to planninginfo@ bethlehem-pa.gov. Current and recent meetings (for viewing only): visit www.youtube.com/channel/

UC4HYHr4C6vVbfhRXhWYXaJw Bethlehem Twp.Municipal Authority, 6:30 p.m. Municipal

building, 4225 Easton Ave. Hellertown Water Authority Board, 7 p.m. 685 Main St. Lehigh Co. Commissioners, 7:30 p.m. Public hearing room,

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ONSITE JOB FAIR MAY 17TH-18TH • 11AM-6PM

BlueTriton Brands (formerly Nestle Waters) is having an Onsite Job Fair May17th-18th from 11am-6pm. Open interviews available on the spot looking for production operators and forklift drivers. Pay is \$25.66 per hour, looking for day and nightshift. Come on down and walk out with a rewarding career in the water bottling business! 7712 Penn Drive, Breinigsville, Pa. 18031. Must be 18+ and have a completed HS diploma or GED. Contact Christopher.Heckman@waters.nestle. com if you need further directions.

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positions. Manufacturing exp preferred but not required. Forklift drivers are required to have 2 years exp driving sit down forklifts. 12-hour shifts working a 2-2-3 schedule which gives you every other Fri-Sat-Sun off. Must be 18+ and have a completed HS diploma or GED. Looking for day and night positions.

Apply to www.BlueTritoncareers.com or email Christopher.Heckman@waters.nestle.com.



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200K raised for pediatric cancer

BY ED COURRIER

Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Pediatric Cancer Foundation of the Lehigh Valley raised about \$210,000 at its 2022 Hearts of Gold Gala March 26. Guests in tuxedos and evening gowns enjoyed cocktails, dinner, dancing and a live auction of children's artwork conducted by auctioneer Jason Douglas Houser.

The nonprofit's lavish fundraiser was hosted at the Centennial Catering and Conference Center

in Center Valley. "We switched from November to March," Executive Director Michelle Zenie. She explains the 2021 fall event was postponed until spring of 2022 due to COVID. "We are going to keep it in March," Zenie adds, "I think it's a great time of year to do it.

Former WFMZ anchor and reporter Will Lewis presided as the guest emcee. Currently a reporter with Queen City News in Charlotte, North Carolina, Lewis has remained involved with area nonprofits here. "I've lived in the Lehigh Valley for 10 years, and this is just like home to me.'

While in the Valley. Lewis met 10-year-old pediatric cancer patient David Heard. Lewis was inspired by the boy's creating origami cranes for other children with the same diagnosis. Lewis had lost his grandfather

to prostate cancer.
Lehigh Valley Reilly
Children's Hospital President Anne Baum and PCFLV Board of Directors Cecilia Grabias also addressed the packed banquet room.

guest speaker, Travis Reese described his dramatic battle with T-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. Diagnosed with a mediastinal sophomore year in high school, Reese's health and life as a 16-year-old honors student, soccer player, and chess competitor came to a nearly fatal end.

The teen's shortness of breath and fatigue rapidly progressed into complete respiratory failure. His fight with pneumocystis pneumonia required intense life support efforts, including extracorporeal membrane oxygenation.

Reese woke up months later from his medically-induced coma ready to prevail despite the poor prognosis and low statistical odds against recov-

He spoke of how his doctors and family inspired him to conquer obstacles in his path.

Now a freshman at Emory University, 19-year-old Reese is a physics major on the premed track. He plans to study Pediatric Hematology/Oncology in medical school. Inspired by superhero

The Flash, Reese says, 'Sometimes terrible things happen to us when we're children. Things that can define who we become, whether we want them to or not." Reese takes this quote from character to heart.

Reese's symbolic artwork created for the evening's auction, titled 'Bolt of Courage" fetched \$1125 with Reading resident Mike Johnson's winning bid.

'Rainbow Warriors" by John Notchey, Jr. and McCoy Rapa, fetched the highest bid for children's artwork at \$12,000.

Other items scoring high bids include \$5,600 "Be-You-Tiful" Jillian Sayre, \$5,000 for "Crown of a Warrior" by Makayla Becker, and \$4,200 for Garrett Solderitch's "I'd Rather Be



PRESS PHOTOS BY ED COURRIER

From left, Rebecca Price, Jenna Anthony, Kari Wehr, Jenn Abraham, and Brittany Karoly enjoy dressing up and hanging out at the gala's selfie station. All are from Orefield, with the exception of Allentown resident Anthony.



John and Emma Ville shortly after Emma was honored with a "Heart of a Warrior" gift of a gold bracelet. She runs Fleetwood-based A Storybook Party and has donated charactermass at the start of his themed events for cancer warriors and their families.



From left, emcee Will Lewis and PCFLV Executive Director Michelle Zenie announce Emma Ville is to be honored with a "Heart of a Warrior" award.



Event "Gold Ribbon" sponsor, George Gavirati, director of sales for national accounts for the Brooklyn Bred with Parkland High School sophomore Vanessa Stauffer as she volunteers the DC's Justice League at the glass centerpiece sales table.



From left, Luan Guzman from Nazareth and PCFLV board member Kim Cramsey from Emmaus work the wine pull station. The 24-year-old Guzman graduated from Cedar Up for bid or purchase Crest College as a public health major with were gift baskets donated assistance from PCFLV.



Guest speaker Travis Reese describes his dramatic battle with T-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia at the Hearts of Gold Gala fundraiser. Behind him is "Bolt of Courage," artwork Reese created for the evening's auction.

by area businesses and individuals, bottles of wine in a "wine pull," as well as glass centerpieces created by Banana Factory artist Dennis Gardner.

A Scholarship Fund Pledge Drive was followed by music and dancing with Penguin Party Planning DJ Mike Cichoki.

Lehigh Valley Reilly Children's Hospital was the event's "Presenting" sponsor. The center is celebrating its 10-year anniversary in May 2022, according to Vice President of Patient Care Karen Vadyak.

Brooklyn Bred served the event's "Gold Ribsponsor. George Gavirati, director of sales for national accounts for the New Yorkbased bakery, says that he became a PCFLV supporter through the friendship his family has with Vanessa Stauffer, a young cancer survivor. Stauffer's mom Tracy is a PCFLV employee. Inspired by the Parkland sophomore's quiet struggle and recovery, Gavirati says, "Vanessa is a role model for survivors."

Additional sponsors Structural included Metal Fabricators, Rob and Kristen Bennett, Astound Broadband, Teamsters #773, Ai Orthodontics, St. Luke's Pediatrics, Houser Auctioneers, Burkholder Heating and Air Conditioning, Matt Cannon Photography, Aveanna. East Penn Self Storage, McGriff, Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Hospital, Dr. Marsha Gordon, Dr. Astolfi, Jaindl Enterprises, BSI, Sidleck Crane, EZMicro, Red Robin, Painting and Decorating by Shane, and PenTele-

PCFLV is located at 2132 S. 12th St., Suite 401, Allentown. Information: www.pcflv.org, 484-221-

State congressional endorsement

Secretary of State Mike Pompeo today endorsed Lisa Scheller in Pennsylvania's 7th Congressional District. said, "I am proud to endorse Lisa Scheller for Congress in Pennsylvania's 7th Congressional District. Lisa is a staunch advocate for our ally Israel and will fight to secure our Southern Border, protect our Second Amendment and restore our energy independence. I encourage all Pennsylvanians in the Lehigh Valley to join me in supporting Lisa for Congress, Pompeo said.

NORCO to install ballot drop-off boxes

The Northampton County Elections Office will install a secure ballot drop-off box for mail-in ballots in each of the County's four districts. Clearing any security is not required. To avoid having a mail-in ballot rejected, ensure that ballot is enclosed in the sealed privacy envelope, that the return envelope is signed and dated, that there are no identifying marks or symbols on the privacy envelope and that the ballot is returned to the Elections Office by 8 p.m. May 17.

· Rotunda of the Government Center, 669 Washington St., Easton. Boxes available from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday until May 17. When dropping off a ballot, voters can park for free in the loading-and-unloading zone on Washington Street in front of the courthouse; or in the new parking lot at the intersection of Wolf Avenue and Washington Street.

· Human Services Building, 2801 Emrick Blvd., Bethlehem. Boxes available from 8:30 a.m.to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday

Northampton County 911 Center, 100 Gracedale Ave., Nazareth. Boxes available 8:30 a.m.to 8 p.m. Monday through

Friday until May 17. · Bethlehem City Hall, 10 E. Church St., Bethlehem. Boxes

availabl 8 a.m.to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday until May 17. Voters may only drop off their own ballots. Third party return of ballots is prohibited unless the person returning the ballot is rendering assistance to a disabled voter or emergency absentee voter and has a signed "Certification of Designated Agent" form on file at the Elections Office. Forms may be downloaded at

Counterfeiting, forging, tampering with or destroying ballots is a second-degree misdemeanor pursuant to sections 1816 and 1817 of the Pennsylvania Election Code (25 P.S. §§ 3516 and

Voters may track the status of mail-in or absentee ballots at vote.pa.gov

NORCO ballot-on-demand now available

The Northampton County Elections Office announces that Ballot-on-Demand voting for the May 17 Primary are now available. Citizens can vote in-person at the Government Center at 669 Washington Street, Easton, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Ballot-on-Demand voting hours will end on May 10 at 5 p.m.

Residents of Northampton County who are eligible to vote can come to the Elections Office, register if they have not already, fill out a ballot application, vote on a paper ballot and turn it in all in the same visit. Showing ID is required before you can receive your ballot.

Registered voters who have already applied for a mail-in ballot are not eligible for Ballot-on-Demand and must wait to receive their ballot in the mail. The Elections Office began mailing ballots out April 22.

NORCO: Frequently asked questions

The Elections Office is providing a list of answers to Frequently Asked Questions for Northampton County voters for the Primary Election May 17.

What will be on the ballot?

United States Senator, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Representative in Congress, State Senator - 14th & 18th Districts, State Representatives, Democratic/Republican State Committees. The Elections Office recommends voters review the ballot before voting. The ballot for the Primary is available at: https:// www.northamptoncounty.org/CTYADMN/ELECTNS/Pages/General-Primary-05172022-SB.aspx

who can vote in the Primary Election?

Registered Democrats and Republicans can vote for candidates running on their party's ticket. All registered voters in East Allen can vote on the referendum question.

How can I see if I'm registered to vote?

You can check your registration status at www.vote.pa.gov The deadline to register to vote in the Primary Election is May 2.

Yes. Act 77, which was passed in 2019, allows for no excuse mail-in voting. Applications for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballots are available in the Election's Office or at www.vote. pa.gov or www.NorthamptonVotes.com The deadline to apply for a mail-in or absentee ballot is May 10.

How do I know my application has been accepted or if my ballot has been received?

Citizens who sign up on vote.pa.gov will receive emails about their application/ballot status. Voters who applied on paper can track the status of their ballot at vote.pa.gov.

Why did I get an email saying my application for a mail-in

ballot has been declined? It's likely that a duplicate application was filed or the application lacked a signature or a verifiable ID. Contact the Elections

Office for assistance at 610-829-6260 or elections@northamptoncounty.org

When will ballots go out in the mail? Ballots started to be mailed out on April 22nd. Voters can check the status of their ballot on-line at www.vote.pa.gov

I'm worried about getting my mail-in ballot back to the Elections Office on time.

To be counted, ballots must be returned to the Election's Office by 8:00PM on May 17th. We recommend voters return their ballot as soon as possible or at least get it in the mail by May 7th. Secure ballot drop-off boxes will be available until 8

What can cause a mail-in ballot to be rejected? Mail-in ballots can be rejected if:

·The ballot was not enclosed in a sealed privacy envelope

(i.e. a "naked" ballot) ·The return envelope was not signed or dated

·There are identifying marks or symbols on the privacy

The ballot was not returned to the Election's Office by 8 p.m. May 17.

What kind of stamp should I use to mail my ballot back? Postage on the return envelopes is pre-paid. Voters do not need to add a stamp.

Do I have to return my ballot by mail?

No. Ballots can be returned directly to the Election's Office at the Government Center at 669 Washington Street, Easton, or at one of the four secure ballot drop-off boxes stationed around the county.

Can someone else deliver my ballot to the Elections Office? No. State Law states that voters must only drop off their own ballot. If you come into the office, you may be asked for your ID. If you drop off someone else's ballot you must have a "Certification of Designated Agent" form on file at the Elections Office. A copy of the form can be downloaded at www.vote.pa.gov

Can I vote using Ballot on Demand?

See POLITICS on Page A12



PRESS PHOTO BY CHRIS HARING

Saucon Valley HS was deemed the 66th-best in Pennsylvania (and #2 in the Allentown Metropolitan Region) in the recent U.S. News Top Schools rankings.

Student success, budget addressed

BY CHRIS HARING

A10. THE PRESS

Special to the Bethlehem Press

The April 26 Saucon School Board meeting was a mixed bag of good and bad news: numerous academic and other achievements by district students, teachers and staff were celebrated, but anticipated budgetary concerns put somewhat of a damper on the evening's spirits.

The session began in earnest with the Superintendent's Report, with Jaime Vlasaty ceding her time to Business Manager David Bonenberger to provide an update to his April 12 presentation on the upcoming 2022-23 Budget Timeline.

At the previous meet-Bonenberger explained that the district is likely looking at a significant and troublesome deficit due to an assortment of increased costs and committed expenditures without imposing a tax increase on Saucon Valley residents.

SAUCON VALLEY SD

shortfall at closer to \$2.7 million, which factored in Pa. Department of Education lists at 3.4 percent - tied with several other districts for the lowest in the state.

Bonenberger further stated that an over \$5 million increase in asadditional \$268,000 in tex revenue this year. Additionally, under Governor Wolf's proposed state budget, the district would gain an additional \$977,000 in funding, but impossible to know if and when it might be passed.

congratulated the high school on its recent U.S.

He displayed updat- year, the school ranked ed figures which further #2312. Board President pinpointed the estimated Dr. Shamim Pakad added that although Saucon was also ranked #2 in the school in the region.

High school Principal Tamara Gary was on hand to help recognize several standout students and extracurricular organizations for their high achievements, sessed property values as well. First to be recogin the district brought an nized were members of its Reading Team, led by school librarian Amber Sams, who noted that the team finished third in its recent regional competi-

Bonenberger said it was the school's 64 Future her current position in Business Leaders of America club members School District; previous-In other news, Vlasaty who competed at its re- ly served under Vlasaty cent regional competition. Of those 64, 36 moved Department in the Easton News Top Schools rank- on to the state competi- Area School District in ing of #1887 nationally tion in Hershey, and one the mid-2010s. (and 66th-best in Pa); last - senior Nick Magnotta,

son of board member Tracy Magnotta - was overall champion in their field (personal finance).

Additionally, invited the school's Debate Team advisor, social studies teacher Jessica "fully taxing (residents) Allentown Metropolitan Friday, to say a few words to the index," which the area, it was the top public about their successful showing at a recent regional competition hosted by the district. Friday noted that Saucon's first win at the competition was particularly impressive since it was the club's first time participating.

In district business, the board approved Jillian Brodhead to assume the role of Director of Special Education and Student Services at a salary of \$120,000 annually (prorated). Brodhead, Gary also celebrated who will be abdicating the Exeter in the Special Education

Final small business grants reviewed

BY CHRISTNA SANTO Special to The Press

Northampton County Council met on April 21 to consider the final round of small business grants through the American Rescue Plan

"COVID-19 just the worst health crisis to the country and the world in 100 years, it was also an economic disaster [specifically for small businesses]," said county Executive Lamont McClure.

He went on to explain the impact, financially and beyond, that hundreds of small businesses in Northampton helping small business-County.

Act, Northampton coun- was inevitably the worst how much I needed this Tube page.

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businesses with a com-tory.' bined \$10 million. To

ness owners.

One quote came from have been difficult is a vast County small business

ty was able to fund 765 year in our 60-year his-ly approved the final

Another came in Jandate, the ARP has fund- uary 2021: "I'm literally McClure also high- tears. I opened my mail small businesses. wasn't lighted positive feed- today to find a check In other business, health back from small busi- for the COVID relief via council accepted two doyour office. This is noth- nations. ing less than a godsend. Northampton gone weeks without paying myself simply to high Valley Phantoms. the grants had on the relief fund and your cover my team member economic leadership in payroll. I just want to scheduled for 6:30 p.m. express my sincere apes survive has shined a preciation for my grant

money to try to keep my business thriving.

Council unanimousround of small business grants, dividing a further \$715,370 to ased 1,118 with \$14,659,255. writing this email in sisting an additional 60

One was a \$20,000 Joe's Tavern back in Being a small business donation from Buzzi September 2020: "To say open for the last two Unicem USA for the these last few months years, we have strug- emergency management gled to compete with department. The other understatement. larger regional change. was 20 tickets for the The financial support As a franchisee I have children, youth, & families staff from the Le-

The next meeting is May 5 at 669 Washington Street, and streamed Under the CARES very bright light to what check. You have no idea live on the county You-

Council names Rossi to fill open Tocci seat

BY CASSANDRA DAYOUB Special to the BethlehemPress

Hanover ship, Lehigh Coun-Council April 20 to appoint An-Tocci, who recently resigned.

Rossi currently holds a seat on the personnel board, which council said may have to change now council.

he asked Jeanne Rossi to at a price of \$598,252 for fill a role on the township the township and \$56,611

HANOVER (LECO) TWP.

Town- night.

Council also appointed the township planning thony Rossi to fill an open commission due to the vacouncil seat left by Rick cated seat created by the Baillie. Paulus said Yoder was honored to fill the

was presented with opensanitary sewer replace-Council Chairman ment project. The town-forward. Bruce Paulus said he ship received three com-

Before viewing the Robin Yoder to serve on bids, the township engineer expected to see numbers in the \$800,000 ballpark, so council was resignation of Douglas very grateful its offer was much lower than the anticipated projection. The contract with

In other news, council Wexacon will be thoroughly reviewed by the that he has been elected to ing bids for the Allendale engineer and township manager before moving

During the review of asked Rossi to join the petitive bids but took the reports, township Manboard at the same time offer from Wexacon Inc., ager Melissa Wehr mentioned the River Central Multi-Municipal Compreplanning commission, for the lateral and track hensive Plan is on track which was voted on and replacement that will be and entering phase four approved by council that done through Allendale's of six, with plans of com-

pletion set for this year.

The plan involves multiple municipalities throughout the Lehigh Valley that work together to determine common goals for that area of land. Wehr and the township clerk both serve a role as committee members and attend regular meetings.

Wehr also mentioned the recreation committee is looking to host a community night, currently planned for Aug. 23. More information on that event is to follow soon.

The next council meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. May 4 at the municipal building, 2202 Grove Road. To view the agenda ahead of time, visit hanle-

State fire co. grant applications due May 12

tion announced recently 4 p.m. May 12. the application window protection from wildfires. plications.

applications

ral communities increase accepting only online ap- and forest fires.

for the aid, which is used

Grant recipients are areas. Local firefighting forc- selected based on vulnermust be electronical- es in rural areas or com- ability and adequacy of submitted through munities with fewer than existing fire protection.

The Wolf administra- DCNR's grant website by 10,000 residents qualify The key objective is to better equip and train To expedite applica- for training and equip- volunteers to save lives is now open for grants to tions and decision-mak- ment purchases directly and protect property in help Pennsylvania's ru- ing processes, DCNR is related to fighting brush unprotected or inadequately protected rural

Favorite subject: History because I enjoy learning about it.

Activities: Golf, running Next steps: College Career goals: Just to be stable

Heroes: Jocko Willink because he is super disciplined Hobbies: Golf Current Job(s): Roofer

Likes: Golf, being busy Dislikes: Negative people **Greatest accomplishment** (so far): District 11 two-time Colonial League Champion Advice for peers: Don't

complain and get after it!



Student profile subjects are selected by faculty and adminis-

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tration at the individual schools.

LIBERTY HS NEW By RYAN ALBURTO

Celebrating the arts and 2022 seniors

The school year may be winding down but the energy at Liberty HS certainly isn't. Between almost weekly musical performances, the end of the spring sports season and one last night to remember our seniors, there is no time left to slow down.

From March 24 to 26, Liberty held its spring musical. Marking the directorial debut of choral director Julie Wydrynski, "The Sound of Music" is also the last time that several seniors will take the stage as a member of the LHS Theater Company.

Speaking with Rebekah "Bex" Vermuelen, who played the lead role of Maria, everyone involved in the production "truly enjoyed the atmosphere that was created with theater" and "really put their all into this specific show."

Two weeks later on April 8 and 9, the famous Liberty HS Grenadier Band put on its first full-length concert since 2019. The performance honors the past by bringing back retired band directors Ronald Sherry, Gregory McGill and Kevin Long, but also looked to the future with the inclusion of more modern pieces of music that incorporate synthesizers, bucket

drumming and more irregular tempo changes. The annual Evening of the Arts on April 22 doubled as an art show and a choir concert. Starting at 5:30, parents and students alike were allowed to walk through the second-floor

art gallery and view the various displays of students in photography, ceramics, studio art, and more. Prior to the official start of the concert at 7, select members

of the Liberty chorus performed solos or duets for patrons waiting to buy tickets or find their seats. The pre-concert entertainment ended with a number by "Sound of Music" leads Bex Vermuelen and Drew Rehrig.

On March 25, senior Shavaan Farhad was awarded a full four-year scholarship to attend Moravian University. Farhad was recognized by Bethlehem Area School District Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy for his outstanding academic performance and resilience to hardship throughout his life.

Farhad is a captain of the LHS boys tennis team, which emerged as the champions of the 2022 Eastern Pennsylvania Conference Tennis Tournament. Will Lotto, Jiaming Wang, Chris Gianaras and Jacksen Jobes walked away with gold medals for their performance in the doubles tournament, with Siddhardh "Sid" Tekumalla and Gavin Evans Gartley earning silver medals in the same category.

The end of the year also brings the end of the year exams, and the first up are Advanced Placement (AP) exams, which began May 2 with AP Government and Economics and AP Chemistry. Students who earn high enough marks on the exams have the opportunity to earn college credit or at least test out of introductory courses in college.

AP courses are weighted grades like honors classes and have even more rigorous coursework. A select few (AP Biology, See LHS on Page A12



PRESS PHOTO CREDIT AILEIGH MULLIGAN Liberty sophomore Leo Babbin in the heat of an intense practice with his tennis teammates.

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YWCA of Bethlehem

Scholarship awardees honored

The YWCA of Bethlehem recently announced the name of its eight high school scholarship recipients. The nonprofit, dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all, celebrated the 2022 Teens of the Year Awards April 26 at the Event Center at

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The young women were honored for their outstanding academic achievement and commitment to their communities.

Vice President of Health Strategies at American Heart Association in Tampa Bay, Fla., and former YWCA of Bethlehem Woman of the Year, Qiana Cressman, served as the event emcee. Cressman is also an author, speaker, and podcast host for Emerge Enterprise Media and was Executive Director, **Donor Operations for** Miller-Keystone Blood Center in Bethlehem until January 2021.

"I am excited to return the Lehigh Valley as the YWCA honors these exceptional students,' Cressman said. "I am personally committed to empowering women, especially young women of color, and I look forward to meeting them and playing a role in launching their continued success.

The YWCA Bethlehem announced that this year's Teen Awards include young women from Bethlehem Area School District and Allentown School District.

Educational Empowerment Award winners received a \$1,000 scholarship to the college of their

· Ciana Feliciano,

Freedom HS · Abigael Omwega,

Liberty HS Ana Reis, Freedom

· Kailey Turpening, Freedom HS

A Path Forward Award winners received \$1,000 a year for two years to the community college of their choice:

· Minerva Ochoa, Freedom HS

· N'dia Escobales, Dieruff HS

Teen Mission Award winners were chosen for their commitment to the YWCA mission to eliminate racism and empower women. Teen Mission awardees received \$1,000 a year for four years to the college of their choice:

· Irampaye Clarisse, Liberty HS

· Deyona Robert, William Allen HS

Along with award presentations, the event will feature a silent auction benefitting YWCA women and girls' empowerment programs. Donations for the scholarship fund can be made online at ywcabethlehem.org/ involve/donate.



PRESS PHOTO COURTESY BETHLEHEM YWCA

THE PRESS A11

Denise Pierson-Balik, YWCA Bethlehem development director, Virginia Oskin, Women & Teens of the Year Committee chair; Ciana Feliciano Educational Empowerment Award Winner; and Mahboobeh Shekari, YWCA Bethlehem director of finance and administration.



Virginia Oskin, Women & Teens of the Year Committee chair; Abigael Omwega, Educational Empowerment Award winner; Irampaye Clarisse. Teen Mission Award winner; Mahboobeh Shekari, YWCA Bethlehem director of finance and administration); and Denise Pierson-Balik, YWCA Bethlehem development director.



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Wednesday Thursday



Saturday

Few



Showers Partly Likely Cloudy 68 / 49 72 / 50

Showers 63 / 49

Showers Cloudy 61 / 45 64 / 49

Cloudy 62 / 45 60 / 46

FORECAST FOR

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with an 85% chance of showers, high of 68°, humidity of 69%. South wind 3 to 6 mph. The record high for today is 92° set in 2001. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 55% chance of showers, overnight low of 49°. West northwest wind 6 mph. The record low for tonight is 31° set in 1957. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy, high of 72°, humidity of 45%. Northeast wind 5 mph.

Thursday night, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 30% chance of showers, overnight low of 50°. Southeast wind 5 mph. Friday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 60% chance of showers, high of 63°, humidity of 68%. East northeast wind 3 to 7 mph. Friday night, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 65% chance of showers, overnight low of 49°

Weather Trivia

What are the two standard types of weather satellites?

Vuswer: Geo-stationary and polar orbiting.



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Yes, Ballot on Demand will be available in the Election Office at the Government Center starting April 25th until 5 p.m. May 10. You must bring an ID with you to the office.

I requested a mail-in ballot but now I want to vote in-person at

Voters who prefer to use the machines must bring their mail-in ballots and the return envelope to the polls. The Judge of Election will spoil the ballot and ask the voter to complete a "Declaration to Surrender Ballot" form before allowing them to vote on the ExpressVote XL machine.

Will the polls be open on May 1??

Yes. The Election's Office plans on staffing all 154 precincts with 315 voting machines.

Have the ExpressVote XL machines been tested?

Yes. The machines undergo testing before the Primary Election. The machines performed very well in the last four elections. Have any polling locations changed?

Easton 11th Ward will be voting at Shiloh Chapel, 201 Thomas Bright Ave. Easton. Do I have to wear a mask at the polls? What about the poll

workers? Facemasks are optional.

Who should voters call if they have problems or questions either before or on Election Day?

State congressional endorsement

Secretary of State Mike Pompeo today endorsed Lisa Scheller in Pennsylvania's 7th Congressional District, said, "I am proud to endorse Lisa Scheller for Congress in Pennsylvania's 7th Congressional District. Lisa is a staunch advocate for our ally Israel and will fight to secure our Southern Border, protect our Second Amendment and restore our energy independence. I encourage all Pennsylvanians in the Lehigh Valley to join me in supporting Lisa for Congress, Pompeo said.

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AP Chemistry, and AP Calculus) can even take up three marking periods of a student's schedule, half of a semester more than regular academic courses.

After all end of the necessary testing is over, juniors and seniors can enjoy a night of formality with the LHS Prom, which will be held at the ArtsQuest Center at the Steel Stacks this year May 20.

To offset the relatively high cost and make it more accessible to students who qualify for free or reduced lunch, Student Government President Fallon Ingram has launched a campaign to lower the cost or completely cover the entire price of a prom

Upon reaching out to local businesses for corporate sponsorship, Ingram hopes to cover "20-25 whole tickets and refund more."

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As the school year slowly comes to a close, it is important to look back at how far the students of Liberty have come and how much more they can be in the future.

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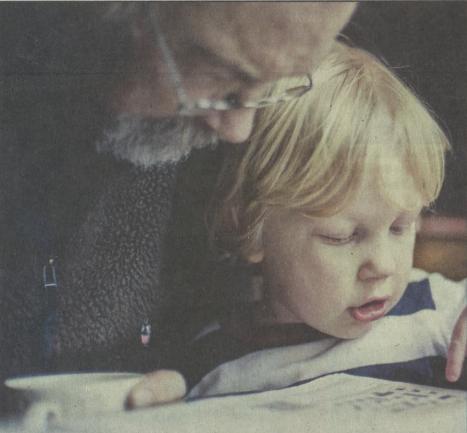
Open meetings: Bethlehem Township Commissioners- First and third Mon-

Hanover (NorCo) Township Supervisors-Second and fourth

Fountain Hill Council-First Monday and Third Wednesday Freemansburg-First and third Tuesdays

Also available: Bethlehem Zoning Board-Fourth Wednesday

Bethlehem Planning Board-Second Thursday



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From left: Alyssa Haney, Hannah Fry, Riley Dotter and Alexandra Rini, Studio West Dance Centre students, perform at 2021 Mayfair Festival of the Arts, Cedar Crest College, Allentown.

Mayfair 2022

Cedar Crest official looking forward to arts festival returning on campus

LAUER-WILLIAMS Special to The Press

Mayfair Festival of the Arts, the free three-day event that heralds the unofficial start of summer in to the Allentown campus 29. of Cedar Crest College for its fourth year Memorial took over Mayfair in 2018 Crest College Chief Finan-

Day weekend. vorite foods and more well as fencing and tick-

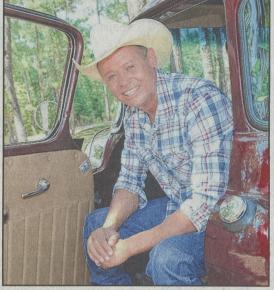
Cedar Crest College after rain-swelled floodthe Lehigh Valley, returns crafts than ever May 27 to eting of the event, had a

negative impact.

Audra Kahr, cial Officer, Chief Operat-The festival brings ing at its former location ing Officer and Treasurer, back popular bands, fa- in Cedar Beach Park, as who heads Mayfair, says, "It's about more than just See MAYFAIR on Page B2

8 DAYS A WEEK

Your look ahead at **Valley Arts**



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Neal McCoy, 8 p.m. May 5, Penn's Peak, Jim Thorpe. Doors open at 6 p.m. Hubert Neal Mc-Gaughey Jr., born July 30, 1958, in Jacksonville, Texas, is known professionally as Neal McCoy. The country music singer has released 15 studio albums and 34 singles. He had back-to-back No. 1 singles, "No Doubt About It" and "Wink," from his album, "No Doubt About It" (1994). A ninth Top 10 hit was "Billy's Got His Beer Goggles On" from "That's Life" (2005). His studio albums include "XII" (2012) and "Pride: A Tribute to Charley Pride" (2013). Tickets: box office, 325 Maury Road, Jim Thorpe.; www.ticketmaster.com; Ticketmaster: 800-745-3000; 866-605-PEAK



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

The Kennedys, 8 p.m. May 6, Godfrey Daniels, Bethlehem. The Kennedys are an American folk-rock band, consisting of husband and wife Pete and Maura Kennedy. They are recognized for their harmonies and instrumental prowess, blending elements of country music, bluegrass, Western swing and janglepop. Prior to the pandemic, The Kennedys played at Godfrey's to sellout audiences twice a year. Albums include "West" (2015) and "Safe Until Tomorrow" (2018). Godfrey Daniels, 7 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. https://godfreydaniels. org: 610-867-2390

Panas photography awakens insights



By Dave Howell

Lydia Panas's latest book of photographs is called "Sleeping Beauty," but it is actually more about awakening.

photowomen graphed are of varying ages, lying down in grass en are vulnerable and deor vegetation, while some fiant, between being hes-

are in other poses. "'Sleeping Beauty' is meant to represent hidden and a way to overcome this strength. It's a negation of the fairy tale," Panas says.

Panas's work is in the exhibition, "Hear Me Roar - Women Photographers Part IV," through May 27, Fairchild-Martindale Gallery, Lehigh University

Art Galleries, 8A W. Packer Street, Bethlehem.

The setting for "Sleeping Beauty" is Panas's Kutztown area farm. The views may appear pastoral and peaceful at first glance. But the women are not necessarily at ease.

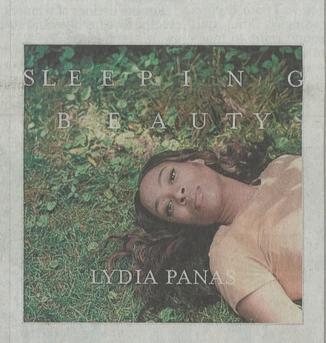
"I'm not trying to take portraits. I am trying to say something, to express complicated feelings," Panas says in a phone in-

"The looks of the womitant and speaking out, knowing you are in a bind bind," says Panas.

Her photographs have a theme, which she says can be appreciated if they are seen as a group:

'It's not about the indi-

vidual person. You can see See PANAS on Page B6



Civic Theatre inbox has 'Spamalot'





By Kathy Lauer-Williams

The curtain rises on another pandemic-post-poned show, the Tony Award-winning Broad-way musical, "Monty Python's Spamalot," May 6 - 22, Nineteenth Street Theatre, Civic Theatre of Allentown.

"Spamalot," originally to open in May 2020 because of the coronavi- Theatre District stage a



George Hrab

shutdown.

The Civic production at Civic, was postponed brings to the West End



Rowan Huggins

rus (COVID-19) pandemic well-known area musi- by Will Morris, with mu-

way show. "Spamalot" is directed



Doug Ace

cian, and an actual cos- sical direction by Nick tume item from the Broad- Conti and choreography by Deena Linn.

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CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Claudia Schmidt, 8 p.m. May 7, Godfrey Daniels, Bethlehem. Claudia Schmidt is an American musician, originally from New Baltimore, Mich., who has recorded folk, jazz, blues, and spoken-word albums. She plays guitar and Appalachian dulcimer and sings. She had performed numerous times on the radio program, "A Prairie Home Companion." Godfrey Daniels, 7 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. https://godfreydaniels.org; 610-



Bethlehem Press takes top honor in annual state journalism contest; LV Press wins total of 19 awards

BY PAUL WILLISTEIN pwillistein@tnonline.com

The Bethlehem Press newspaper has been named the Pennsylvania 2022 Professional Keystone Media Award Sweepstakes Winner, Division VI.

The Bethlehem Press won 10 Professional Keystone Media Awards for work published in 2021. The Sweepstakes Winner is chosen for the most number of points received based on the awards won in a particular divi-

Lehigh Valley Press newspapers won a combined total of 19 Professional Keystone Media Awards for work published in

The Times-News, Lehighton, the Lehigh Valley Press sister daily newspaper, won 10 Professional Keystone Media Awards.

Bethlehem Press Enterprise Reporting, Honorable Mention, Theresa O'Brien, The limits of resilience: Teen

mental health Business or Consumer Story, First Place, Jennifer Rago, 29

years of Christkindlmarkt Business or Consumer Story, Honorable Mention, Theresa O'Brien, Entenmann's Outlet closure upsets workers, custom-

Sports Breaking News-Event Coverage, First Place, Katie Mc-Donald, Heidemann golden

Lifestyle-Entertainment Beat, First Place, Paul Willistein, 16th annual ABEs salute Lehigh Valley Stage; Triumphant return; 'Comeback Kids'; Fall Preview State Theatre; Great Allentown Fair is back; Field of 'Dream,' Pa. Shakespeare Festival

Sports Action Photo, Second Place, Mark Kirlin, Lehigh 12U team tops Solehi

Photo Story-Essay, First Place, Lori Patrick, Lehigh Valley veterans gather

Place, George Taylor, Hope and closes eastbound ramp to Inter-Opportunity; 'It can't just be state 78 from Cedar Crest Bouleone person at the top'; Curbside, vard house call visits; Teen well-being



KEYSTONE MEDIA AWARDS

declines; Teens & the pandemic; Celebrating National Newspa-

Feature Page Design, First Place, Dave Rowe, In the dough; 'Comeback kids'; 9/11 20th anniversary; Dream weavers; Happy trails; The Little engine that 28.

Graphic-Photo Illustration, Second Place, Ed Courrier, Tokyo Olympics

Northampton Press

Sports Beat Reporting, First Place, Scott Pagel, Moore Township Connie Mack run to states

Feature Photo, Honorable Mention, Scott M. Nagy, Riley is ready for the ride

Special Section, First Place, Paul Willistein, Kelly Lutter-schmidt, Alison Thakrar, Ter-ry Plinke, Built For Success: A Commemorative Tabloid Celebrating the Opening of the new Lehigh Elementary School in the Northampton Area School

Northwestern Press Headline Writing, First Place, Debra Palmieri, No environmental concerns about these GMO flowers; SADD Club makes Christmas happy for kids; Supervisors don't duck waiver re-

Parkland Press

Lifestyle-Entertainment Beat, Second Place, Anita Hirsch, Jewish Holiday coffee cake; The babka; A very Israeli Rosh Hashana

Salisbury Press veterans gather Breaking News Photo, Second News Page Design, First Place, Tim Singles, Fuel spill

Photo Story-Essay, Second stone-media-award-winners/

Place, Jim Marsh, Mansion fire in Salisbury still under investi-

Whitehall-Coplay Press Editorial, First Place, Kelly Lutterschmidt, There is no

shame in accepting a hand-up; Let the music play; The impor-tance of being a good neighbor

Column, First Place, Stacey Koch, Celebrate Family Stories Month this Thanksgiving; 'The world is full of nice people, if you can't find one, be one'; 'No one should go hungry,' food assistance is available in Pa.

The 2022 Keystone Media Awards were announced April

Hundreds of journalists are being recognized for their tireless and outstanding efforts.

Earlier this year, more than 2.500 entries were received from 110 Pennsylvania news organizations. Entries, in 53 regular categories and 12 specialty categories across seven circulation and four broadcast divisions, were judged by journalists in Virginia.

Awards will be presented during the "Keystone Media Awards Brunch," 11 a.m. Oct. 12, in conjunction with the "News Media Business Summit," Sheraton Hershey Harrisburg Hotel, 4650 Lindle Road, Harrisburg.

According to the Pennsylvania News Media website, the Keystone Media Awards reinforce excellence by individuals in the news media profession by recognizing journalism that consistently provides relevance, integrity and initiative in serving readers and audiences, and faithfully fulfills its First Amendment rights and responsibilities. Further, the Keystone Media Awards stimulate journalists to improve their craft and ultimately improve their community.

For the listings of winners, including Sweepstakes and special awards recipients:

https://panewsmedia. org/2022-professional-key-

Median LV house record \$280,000

BY PAUL WILLISTEIN pwillistein@tnonline.com

A new median sales price record of \$280,000 was set in March for the Lehigh Valley, according to the Greater Lehigh Valley Realtors (GLVR).

The median sales price increased 16.7 percent from \$240,000 in March

The previous median sales price record of \$278,000 was set in December 2021, GLVR stated in its monthly report released April 14.

The year-to-date median sales price increased 17.1 percent, from \$234,900 to \$275,000.

March statistics

 Average sales price increased 17.6 percent to \$318,206 in March, up from \$270,655 in March 2021. The average year-todate sales price increased 16.6 percent from \$267,450 to \$311,736.

· Percentage of list price received increased 2.3 percent to 102.8 percent in March from 100.5 percent in March 2021. The year-to-date percentage of list price received increased 1.7 percent from 100.3 percent to 102 percent.

• Closed sales increased 15 listings, 572 in March, up from 557 units in March 2021, or a 2.7 percent increase. The year-to-date closed sales are up 1.9 percent from 1,531 units to 1,560 units.

Pending sales decreased 3 percent, 715 in March, down from 737 in March 2021. The year-todate pending sales are up 0.4 percent, from 1,755 to

· New listings dropped 1.2 percent, 849 in March, down from 859 in March new listings are up 2.1 percent, from 1,993 to

· Days on market decreased 26.1 percent, 17 from 23 days in March additional supply. 2021. The year-to-date

inventory decreased 30 housing affordability depercent, to 0.7 in March, clines. down from 1.0 in March

27.8 percent, 486 in March for-profit trade associadown from 673 in March tion representing more 2021.

Carbon County

In Carbon County, the median sales price increased to \$195,000.

Closed sales Pending sales

creased to 82. New listings increased

to 79.

60 units.

Months supply of inventory is 0.8 months.

March 2021.

March analysis

'Consumers may be feeling the bite of inflation and surging mort- to a strict code of ethics gage interest rates, which and standards of practice recently hit 4.6 percent in as defined by the National March, according to Freddie Mac," said GLVR CEO Justin Porembo.

Interest rates have ris-

en 1.4 percent since January and are the highest rate in more than three

'While mortgage interest rates and the inventory crisis are affecting potential buyers, home buyers agree that homeownership is still an important part of the American Dream," Porembo

"We continue to expect housing demand to remain strong due to fademographics and shifts in buyers' preferences as teleworking remains in place." said Porembo.

"Builders cannot, alone, build us out of the inventory crisis, but they are working hard to ramp up production. The U.S. Census Bureau reports housing starts are up 22.3 percent compared to a year ago," said **GLVR** President Howard Schaeffer.

"With many variables stacked against them, some would-be home buvers are turning to the rental market, only to face similar challenges as rental prices skyrocket and vacancy rates remain at near-record lows,' Schaeffer said.

"I continue to recommend consumers have a Realtor by their side to help them close on the home of their dreams at the price and terms they want and need."

National indicators Nationally, existing home sales dropped to a six-month low, falling 7.2 percent as buyers struggled to find a home amid rising prices and historic low inventory.

Pending sales are also down, declining 4.1 percent as of last measure, 2021. The year-to-date according to the National Association of Realtors.

Higher construction costs and increasing sales prices continue to hamper new home sales, days in March, down despite high demand for

2021. The year-to-date Monthly payments days on market decreased have increased signifi-8.7 percent, from 23 to 21.. cantly compared to this · Months supply of time last year, and as

GLVR Information The Greater Lehigh · Inventory decreased Valley Realtors is a notthan 3,000 Realtors in Carbon, Lehigh and Northampton counties.

The association provides professional development and training down just two listings to resources, competitive market information, legin- islative advocacy, peer review and mediation processes for members, and a dispute resolution Inventory dropped to service for consumers.

The association owns and operates the Greater Lehigh Valley Multiple Days on market in- Listing Service (MLS) creased to 46 days in and the Greater Lehigh March, up from 41 in Valley Real Estate Academy.

Realtors are distinguished from real estate licensees by subscribing Association of Realtors.

Information: www. GreaterLehighValley-Realtors.com

LCCC

Computer science session May 26

An information session for students and parents about computer science and information technology will be held 3-5 p.m. May 26, Community Services Center, Lehigh Carbon Community College, Schnecksville, campus.

Faculty and members of the admissions team will highlight the college's Computer Science and Information Technology degrees with an in-depth look at the programs:

Cisco CCNA Diploma, Computer Forensics and Digital Security, Computer Game and Simulation Development Programming Track, Informa-Computer tion Systems, Computer Science, Computer Specialist: Networking Technology and Security, Computer Specialist: Programming Concentration, and Computer Specialist Web Design and Development. The session will con-

clude with an optional campus tour.

Advance registration required: admissions@ lccc.edu; 610-799-1575



Audra Kahr



Mayfair Festival of the Arts returned as an in-person event in 2021 on the Cedar Crest College campus, Allentown.

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a festival. It's about bringing community together and bringing people to our beautiful

campus. The festival took a year off in 2020 because of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic shutdown, but returned

'Despite not so great weather and COVID-19, the festival made mon-

ey last year," Kahr says. "It was the first largescale festival that happened [in the Lehigh Valley after the shutdown and people were

really excited to get out. 'For us, it's a win because we were able to jet, 7 - 10 p.m. May 28, fairy-garden workshop bring vendors back and and Sofa Kings, 7 - 10 is 1 p.m. May 28. celebrate music."

Kahr says that there on-site signs will encourage social-distanc- country-rock band. ing and hand-washing.

growth in the number the Parrots." of artists and vendors"

with 20 artists regis- 29.

artists-in-action will demonstrate their mainly solo performers

She says "everyone sip, 4 p.m. May 29. Kahr says the festival wants the Large Flowhas seen "significant erheads and Jimmy and tion is required for register for work-

The Large Flower-

indoor artists market 29. Jimmy and the Par-"sold out very quickly"

Kahr says a variety of crafts includes fab- have cover, we can acric art, resin tables, commodate larger acts wood-carving, candles, like the Billy Bauer sign art and gemstone Band," Kahr says.

Popular bands from ed more creative workprior years at May-shops, which Kahr says fair return to the main have been very popular. stage, Kahr says, including Philadelphia workshop has come Funk Authority, 7 - 10 back every p.m. May 27; Go Go Gad- she says. This year's p.m. May 29.

won't be any pandemic Hill, 4 p.m. May 28, raphy walk and talk, restrictions in place at which Kahr says is the 3 p.m. May 28; paint Mayfair 2022. However, result of requests from pouring, 4 p.m. May 28; festival-goers to have a Kokedama class, 1 p.m.

and that spaces at an heads are at 2 p.m. May including Bull and Bear rots are at 3 - 6 p.m. May

lawn down to the main stage, will be tented. says. tent, including nine In previous years, the who secondary stage hosted yards will have an asand smaller acts.

> "Since the stage will The festival has add-

fairy-garden "The year,"

workshops Other New is Reservoir include nature photog-May 29, and paint and

workshops.

Restaurant, Heaven On A Bun, Take a Taco and the Puerto Rican New this year, the Cultural Association, Nearly 20 more art-bandstand stage, which will make sure "there ists will be set up on the is the festival's second is plenty to eat," Kahr Franklin Hill Vine-

sortment of wines. Beer will also be available. Kahr says she's hoping for good weather,

is presented rain or shine. Proceeds from Mayfair go toward scholarships at Cedar Crest

College.

but says entertainment

'We just want to bring the community together again," Kahr says. "The festival is a lot of work but we are fortunate to have many volunteers. "Mayfair is some-

thing we plan to continue for a long time," says Kahr. Mayfair, 4 - 10 p.m. May 27; noon -

10 p.m. May 28, 29. A fee and registra- Information and to shops: www.cedar-Popular food stands, crest.edu/mayfair

Baby shower for second child acceptable

Teach high school daughter time-management

Dear Jacquelyn, My best friend is expecting her second child in the fall. I'd like to host a baby shower to celebrate her new baby. Is hosting a shower appropriate for a second pregnancy?

Dear Reader,

Deciding to have a the last pregnancy. second or even third mixed answers.

There are even some best friend. specific circumstances

Q: My daughter

is assigned a big proj-

ect or paper, she puts

minute, even turn-

time management?

Family Project panel.

"Good time-manage-

start to lose track of

need to put it in a sched-

has always been a THE

good student. But since she started high FAMILY

school, she has been overwhelmed by the PROJECT

homework. When she By Kathy Lauer-Williams

ect or paper, she puts gate her time to get to it off until the last the end," Raftas said.

ing it in late, which part of executive func-

is starting to affect tion in the brain, in

her grades. What are which skills are devel-

strategies for better oped that help us focus,

When students start ward goals and self-reghigh school they are ulate behaviors. Exec-

coming from a place in utive function skills

which they still have begin to develop in the

middle school time man-first year of life but are

agement skills, said the not fully developed until

ment skills start off with chore and it takes seri-

a good bedtime routine," ous executive function

said panelist Mike Dan- to realize that a chore is

their school work, they that and create a new

ule," agreed panelist Jo- includes entertainment.

want to ask for help but be great if could spend

a parent needs to step in. two hours on the phone?

'A child may not hook. Ask her, 'Wouldn't

"When kids get to Daniels added. high school and they "Look at he



ple, if the second baby is the opposite gender of the first or it's been at least three years since

If these guidelines baby shower is a ques- seem too complex, let's tion that has a lot of step back and take a look at the origin of Some people consider baby showers and I'll it rude and others see let you know why I feel nothing wrong with the it is perfectly acceptable to host a party for your

Baby showers only and guidelines people became common in the shower, in the number will use before consid- 1940s and 1950s, and of guests and items on ering throwing a second they've developed their the registry. baby shower. For exam- own etiquette and tradi-

Raftas said it's all a

plan, prioritize, work to-

early adulthood.

"Scheduling

essential for a good life,"

schedule. Start from

schedule. Make sure it

It's important to have a

"Look at her current

items needed for her first child.

have evolved and it has become more widely acceptable to have a "lite" baby shower for a second child. Baby showers for second and third children are what's known today as sprinkle

Typically, families that already have a child will already have all the baby essentials. A sprinkle shower is a scaled-back version of a baby

tions. Decades ago, the bring just a few necesapers and "onesies."

A sprinkle shower is a loving gesture to celebrate your dear friend becoming a mother again and celebrate the new baby.

Respectfully Yours, Jacquelyn

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The power of positive psychology

I was surprised to see a news story on the internet about universities offering majors in happiness studies.

At least one college, Centenary University in northwest New Jersey, is now offering a master's degree in happiness stud-

The University of Miami is offering a certificate in happiness studies and even Harvard includes classes in happiness studies.

A positive psychology class is one of the most popular courses in Harvard's history.

I can understand the importance of practical happiness studies be-cause one's happiness affects every aspect of life. But I'm surprised at seeing the sudden proliferation of an entire major based on happiness stud-

Until I gave it some thought, I didn't realize what a far-reaching subject it is. Nor did I realize the complexity of the sub-

I tend to agree with my friend Fran who believes making our own happiness is based on our mindset.

"If we are determined to be happy, we will be,' she says.

Fran's life has had more ups and downs than a merry-go-round ride, but through every trial she maintains her positive attitude. As a result, she claims to always be a happy person.

My friend Marion strongly disagrees. "It's garbage thinking' to believe our happiness is based on our mindset," she says. She doesn't believe we can be happy just by saying we will be.

"A lot of happiness is circumstantial," she says. "It depends on your circumstances in life.

"If you lost your job and you're at home dying of loneliness, there is no way you can be happy just by telling yourself sile says.

No, but there are certainly ways we can improve our situation. Scientists tell us that

yes, it's possible to change our happiness levels for good. The happiness sem-

inars explore various ways to facilitate happiness, including adjusting our thoughts and actions.

That's just another way of saying we can, indeed, help ourselves have a happier life, isn't it?

If we sit alone at the kitchen table doing nothing except drowning in our negative feelings, it's hard to feel uplifted in any way

Dr. Tal Ben-Shahar, a leading researcher, teacher and author in the science of happiness, seems to agree that just thinking about being happier will not make it happen. He says it takes personal action.

In his happiness seminars he says instead of sitting there thinking you need to be happier, take one concrete action to make it happen.

'Research shows one of the best ways to be happier is to spend quality time with people we care about," he says.

If that isn't possible, he recommends taking action to learn meditation or put more physical activity in your life. Even walking in a tranquil setting is beneficial.

'The important thing

is to set a goal and do it. It doesn't have to be a big goal — just something that will get you started in taking action," he said.

Dr. Tal is one of the many professionals who believe in the power of positive psychology. Way back in 1952 Nor-

mal Vincent Peale wrote the book "The Power of Positive Thinking." It sold 15 million books, was translated into 42 languages and is still a top selling audio book.

The book taught us how to believe in ourselves and take control of our life by controlling our thoughts and changing our attitude.

It was a strong testimony to the power of positive thinking.

Now, more than 70 years later, positive psychology is one of the most popular motivational seminars and many colleges are offering courses in positive psychology.

There are strong reasons why positive thinking continues to draw believers.

Mayo Clinic says intensive research shows positive thinking brings about physical changes as well as mental ones.

Positive thinking, say the scientists, gives us a better immune system, an increased life span, cardiovascular health and lower levels of

No wonder positive psychology keeps growing as a popular field of interest.

We all have a personal interest in knowing more about happiness.

Why else would the self-help books on happiness keep expanding and colleges make happiness a field of study?

For many years my brother and I had a running debate about personal happiness. Richard used to tell me he would be happier if he had more money.

I told him money doesn't bring happiness. Some of the richest, most successful people I know are not happy

Sounding like the character of Tevye in "Fiddler on the Roof," Richard said he would like the chance to test that.

Well, later he did find complete happiness after he rehabbed an old cabin in the mountains and started spending time there. He found his joy in nature, something that remains his passion.

I really enjoy my phone conversations with him because he is so happy with his life. He's a joy to be around. And it didn't take money.

Through the years I've learned I can, indeed, control my happiness to a great extent. When I find myself getting off track, I renew my sense of gratitude because it's impossible to be grateful and unhappy at the same time.

Right now positive psychology is a hot subject and the internet is loaded with happiness studies and suggestions for how to have a happier

At the very least, it makes fascinating read-

Contact Pattie Mihalik at newsgirl@comcast.net.

main purpose of a baby sary items to welcome shower was to properly the new baby such as diprepare and equip the new mother with the

The rules of etiquette

showers.

Guest are asked to quelyn Youst

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to be performed with no

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Fevers may diminish; germs do not Q. Is it my imagination, but am I getting fewer fevers HEALTHY than I did when I was younger?

The immune system doesn't function as efficiently in older adults as it does in younger peo-

The body's fever response to infection is not always automatic in elderly people. More than 20 percent of adults over age 65 who have serious bacterial infections do not have fevers.

This brings us to germs, which are defined as microbes that cause disease. Infectious diseases caused by microbes are the leading cause of death.

Microbes are microscopic organisms that are everywhere. Some microbes cause disease. Others are essential for health. Most microbes belong to one of four major groups: bacteria, viruses, fungi or protozoa.

Bacteria are made up of only one cell. Less than one percent of them cause diseases in humans. Harmless bacteria live in human intestines, where they help to

By Fred Cicetti



digest food. Foods such as yogurt and cheese,

are made using bacteria.

Some bacteria produce dangerous poisons. Botulism, a severe form of food poisoning, is bacteria. However, several vaccines are made from bacterial toxins.

the smallest microbes. They consist of one or more molecules that chine or a diaper. virus's contain the genes surrounded by a protein coat. Most viruses cause disease. They invade normal cells then multiply.

There are millions of familiar ones are mushrooms, yeast, mold and mildew. Some live in the human body, usually without causing illness.

Only about half of all types of fungi cause disease in humans. Penicillin and other antibiotics, which kill harmful bacteria in our bodies,

are made from fungi.

ing?" Daniels said.

food for marine animals. protozoan parasite.

You can get infect- from vaccines. ed by germs from other people in many different caused by microbes fall ways, including trans- into three major groups: mission through the air caused by toxins from from coughing or sneezing, direct contact such infections. The common as kissing or sexual in- cold is an acute infectercourse, and touching Viruses are among infectious material on a doorknob, telephone, affects the liver, is a automated teller ma-

> pets. Dog and cat saliva can contain any of more than 100 different germs that can make you sick.

Mosquitoes may be types of fungi. The most the most common insect to stop the transmission quitoes can transmit experts malaria. Fleas that pick up bacteria from roplague to humans. The tiny deer tick can infect humans with Lyme dis-

We become immune

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Most infections acute infections, chronic infections and latent Hepatitis C, which

chronic viral infection. Chickenpox is an exam-A variety of germs ple of a latent infection come from household that can emerge many years later and causes a disease called "shin-

Hand-washing is a simple and effective way carriers of disease. Mos- of germs. Healthcare recommend scrubbing your hands vigorously for at least 20 dents can then transmit seconds with soap and water.

It is especially important to wash your hands before touching food, after coughing or sneezing, after changing a diaper and after using the toilet.

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CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD UCC Creating new vistas



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On April 24, Church of the Good Shepherd UCC, 135 Quarry Road, Alburtis, broke ground on its new community prayer garden in a ceremony following the 10:30 a.m. service. ABOVE: Prayer garden committee members, from left, Carole Bauder, Roger Werley, Joanne Nosal and Carol Knerr join pastor Rev. Dr. Matthew Gorkos at the garden site April 24.



Committee members, from left, Carole Bauder, Roger Werley, Joanne Nosal and Carol Knerr dig into ground of the planned site of the Church of the Good Shepherd UCC Community Prayer Garden. Plans are to complete the garden by Memorial Day, according to a media release. The garden will be accessible to the community as well as used for church services and activities.

DeSales Act 1 alive with 'Sound of Music'

"The Sound of Music," the final show of DeSales University Act 1's 52nd season, continues through May 8, Main Stage, Labuda Center for the Performing Arts.

"The Sound of Music"

By Kathy Lauer-Williams was one of one of the "big cluding "Oklahoma!," five" hit musicals writ- "Carousel," "South Pafive" hit musicals written by the team of composer Richard Rodgers and "The Sound of Muand lyricist Oscar Hamsic." merstein II.

grandson of "The Sound grandfather's birth into of Music" lyricist Oscar a theater family in 1895, of Music" lyricist Oscar a theater family in 1895, The show is filled with Eric T. Haugen is Hammerstein II, spoke the major influences songs that have become lighting designer. David following the May 1 per- of his career, and his musical theater stanformance.

Will Hammerstein is Farm. stein's Highland Farm, Doylestown Township, his grandfather's legacy. Bucks County. "The Sound of Music" Bucks County.

helped start the non-prof- Story of the Trapp Famit in 2018 after the historily Singers," the 1949 ic home was threatened memoir of Maria von redevelopment. Trapp. Highland Farm was where Oscar Hammer- Austria on the eve of the stein established his leg- Anschluss in 1938, tells story of healing through endary partnership with the story of Maria, who a series of songs that tug Rodgers and did most of takes a job as governess at the heart and send the his writing for the duo's to a large family while best-known works, in she decides whether to



"Oklahoma!,"

Will Hammerstein Will Hammerstein, was to talk about his death in 1960 at Highland

merstein mentored a a non-profit dedicated high school student Sound of Music.' to the purchase, resto- named Stephen Sondstein's former home in a museum dedicated to says he thinks the show

Hammerstein was inspired by "The

become a nun. She falls story about standing up in love with the children, against the threat of exand eventually their wid-tremism and demagoguowed father, Captain von ery, making it particu-

When Captain von of World War II, the fami-

The original 1959 tion. Broadway production won five Tony Awards, including Best Musical, out of nine nominations.

dards, including "Edelweiss,' "My Favorite a founding board member of Oscar Hammer- about how Oscar Ham- Mountain," "Do-Re-Mi" and the title song, "The choreographer.

> is Rodgers and Hammer-sic" continues, 8 p.m. tions for patrons who stein's most powerful musical.

"It's a result of two masters working at their creative peak," says Bell, DeSales professor of the-The musical, set in ater. "They managed to tell a love story and a 7 spirit soaring.

larly resonant today."

Will Neuert, DeSales Trapp is ordered to ac- associate professor and cept a commission in the head of design, created German navy at the start the show's Nonnberg Abbey, Von Trapp villa and ly decides to flee Austria. other sets for the produc-

New York City costume designer Fleming designed the 1930s costumes.

M. Greenberg is sound designer. Vincent Trovato is music director. Christine Baglivio, a 2015 DeSales graduate, is

"The Sound of Mu-May 4 - 6; 2 and 8 p.m. May 7, and 2 p.m. May 8, Main Stage, Labuda Center for the Performing Arts. **DeSales University.**

The 2 p.m. May performance has open captioning for patrons who are deaf or hard of hearing tional in Labuda Cen- editor, "It's also a timeless and audio descrip-

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From left: Abigail Vernon (Maria) with three of DeSales student Abi- the Von Trapp children, played by Tim Sees Jr. John Bell, who directs gail Vernon is Maria in (Friedrich), Samantha Stec (Louisa) and Gabby ration and preserva- heim, and his efforts to the Act 1 production of the cast of 34, which into of Oscar Hammer- turn Highland Farm into "The Sound of Music," cludes area children. Sound of Music."

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"Curtain Rises" is a request coverage, email: Face masks are op- Paul Willistein, Focus pwillistein@ tnonline.com.

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New to Civic's stage is Bethlehem drummer. guitarist, composer and podcaster George Hrab, who plays Sir Lancelot.

Hrab says he was surprised when he was cast role as King Arthur. in the iconic role.

unbelievably humbled, excited and even a bit confused,'

Hrab looks forward to also playing in the show line de la Parra, Kaela TV show comedy sketch. Gilliam, Terry Jones, ic Theatre of Allen- tnonline.com. the roles of Tim the En- Frankenfield, Zoli Heft, chanter, The Knight Kimberly Mertz and nally about King Arthur Who Says Ni, and the Grace Nybergz play Lak- and the Knights of the my French Taunter.

In the cast are: Dan

Sir-Lancelot).

A costume piece from Britons. the Broadway produc-

er Girls.

Becker (King Arthur), John Corl, Calen Han- But the real point is set-Rowan Huggins (Lady kee, Mark Ingram, Sam ting up hilarious song ways Look on the Bright

The title "Spamalot" tion will be worn by is a spoof of the title, Broadway production of Becker in the finale. Civ- "Camelot," the musiic obtained the crown cal about King Arthur Mike Nichols, received "Monty Python's Flying worn by Tim Curry, and the Knights of the 14 Tony Award nomina-Circus," televised on the Tony-nominated for his Round Table, which tions, winning in three BBC 1969 to 1974, which opened on Broadway categories, Also in the cast: in 1960, and references Best Musical. Shaun Hayes (Sir Bede- the canned-meat prodvere), Mason McGowan uct introduced in 1937 by Eric Idle, is based on (Sir Galahad), Patrick that helped folks, nota- the screenplay of "Mon-Hrab posted on social Mertz (the Historian) bly Great Britons, get ty Python and the Holy media. "I can't quite be- and Ben Youngerman through World War II. Grail" by Monty Python Monty Python was not- creators Graham Chap-Ava Bianchi, Made- ed for its "Spam" 1970 man, John Cleese, Terry

Marie Ann Sutera, quest for the Holy Grail. Du Prez.

Not-Quite-So-Brave-as Rizzo, Nate Rosario and straight from the 1975 That Goes Like This" Sydney Sniekek play cult film "Monty Python and "Find Your Grail." and the Holy Grail."

"Spamalot," written "Spamalot" is nomi- Michael Palin and Idle.

Music is by the Gram-Award-winning Round Table going on a team of Idle and John

Songs include "Alof the Lake) and Doug Levisay, Dylan D. Mill-sequences and comedy Side of Life," "I Am Not Ace (Sir Robin the er, Paul Reed, Kevin bits, many of which are Dead Yet," "The Song

The group of five The original 2005 British actors and one American created the "Spamalot," directed by infamous comedy show including led them to write and star in several comedy films, including "Mon- ater, stage shows, the acty Python and the Holy tors in them and the di-Grail."

> 19-21 and 2 p.m. May Paul Willistein, Focus 15. Check the Civ- editor,

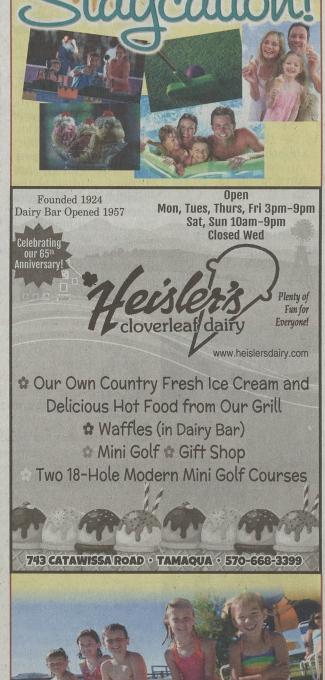
town website or call the theater box office concerning its policy for proof of vaccination and face masks. Tickets: www.civictheatre.com; 433-8903

"Curtain Rises" is a column about the therectors and artists who "Spamalot," 7:30 make them happen. To p.m. May 6, 7, 12-14, request coverage, email: pwillistein@









100 years of books covered

"Compendium: Libris," a juried exhibition in the Crayola Gallery, Banana Factory, celebrated 100 years of books, dating to 1922, modern literature.

spiration from a book, mony. play, poem, short story, essay or graphic novel lehem Area Public published between 1922 Library Executive Diand 2022.

Forty works submit-



a "First Friday" recep-Entries drew on in-tion and awards cere-

Jurors were Bethrector Josh Berk and Lehigh University Art ted by 30 Lehigh Valley Galleries Coordinator for the exhibit, which and Access Elise Schaf-

Banana Factory Arts Center, Crayola Gallery, 25 W. Third St., Bethlehem, 8 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. Monconsidered a golden year of book publishing and the beginning of concluded March 6 with day and Sunday.

By Ed Courrier day - Friday. 8:30

a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday. www.bananafactory.org; 610-332-1300

"Gallery View" is a column about artists, exhibitions and galleries. To request coverage, email: Paul Willistein, Focus editor, artists were accepted of Museum Experience pwillistein@tnonline.



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James A. DePietro, "Deconstruction No. 7: Silence and Stone" (2012; Mixed media, 24 in. x 24 in.).



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Elena Shackleton, "Struggle and Rebirth" (2020; oil on gesso board, 11 in. x 14 in.).

'Reality' at the Rotunda

Shackleton brought "A Unique Reality" with nearly 40 works to the Rotunda Gallery, City Hall, Bethlehem.

Shackleton's and watercolor paintings featured still life. the human figure, and plein-air landscape sub-

"Struggle and Rebirth" (2020; oil on gesso board, 11 in. x 14 in.) is an example of Shackleton's plein-air paint-

"It was a fallen tree that actually was sprouting greenery in the springtime," says Shackleton. The tree bridging a rippling stream dominates the



By Ed Courrier

lush wooded landscape. With skillful rendering of light and form, each work conveys the artist's interpretation of the world around her.

Shackelton, president, The Lehigh Art Alliance, studied at the Philadelphia Museum School, Cape School of Art, and Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine painting and teaching.

exhibition. which concluded March 29, was sponsored by the Bethlehem Fine Arts Commission.

Rotunda Gallery, Town Hall, 10 E. Church St., Bethlehem. Gallery hours: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, Closed weekends and holidays. Information: www.bfac-

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- Jewel of the Festival: Bach's Mass in B Minor (Saturdays) Festival First! ((e)) Live-streamed option May 21



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Lydia Panas

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that something bigger is going on here. There are varying levels of comfort and discomfort, and a feeling of a collective unconscious.'

Panas sees the photos reflecting her own life. "I can see my own inner landscapes, but the issues are universal, like the need of love and affection and the fear of rejection. I bring in my own life and internal experiences, and I rechave experienced."

Panas has known some of the subjects in the "Sleeping Beauty" photographs for years. Others were daughters of friends. Some were She wanted them to feel comfortable when they

them, I was openly receptive and unconditionally kind. I felt compassion for them, and they were in a safe place. raphy.

"I was not looking for something specific. I love it. It has a different listein@tnonline.com

in an intuitive kind of gether.

and how it affects our having to change film. common humanity, who to become, and what we have in common as human beings."

School. The farm where es." she lives with her husband was a weekend getognize what the women away when they lived in New York City. They moved there after they had their second child.

Panas's photography has appeared in the New York Times and the New Yorker. She has received recommended to Panas. many awards. She has lectured, taught or exhibited at all of the colleges and universities in "Some of them know the Lehigh Valley. She me well, but for all of has published two other books of photography, "The Mark of Abel" and "Falling From Grace...".

Panas uses film inhad them feeling that stead of digital photog-

was very open to seeing look than digital, not what happens. I want- better or worse, but in ed to open some kind of the way the light falls connection between us and the colors come to-

"It is a very different "I wanted to see what process. It feels slowthey bring themselves er, with more breaks in

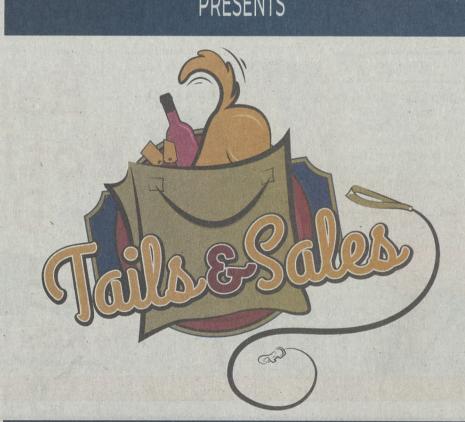
"I can't see what I am we are and who we want doing or how faces will look on a sheet of paper. I have to send it out and wait until it comes back Panas, a daughter of a week later. But I am Greek immigrants, at- always surprised. There tended Parkland High are wonderful surpris-

"Sleeping Beauty," which has a satin book cover, includes a poem by Monae Mallory, an analysis of the photographs by Marina Chao, and a story by Maggie Jones relating to the photographs.

Videos made during the photography sessions can be viewed at the website where information about purchasing a copy of the book is available: www.lydiapanas.com

"Literary Scene" is a column about authors, books and publishing. To request coverage, email: Paul Willistein, "Film is magical, I Focus editor, pwil-

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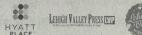


















'Northman' heads south

Searing images of invaders, horrific fighting, personal assaults, AT THE residences destroyed with people trapped inside, and the landscape By Paul Willistein littered with corpses

No, we're not talking about what we see day and night on social purpose, it succeeds. media and television concerning the War in

Rather, these are images that may also remain in your mind's eye Norway. after you see the epic, "The Northman." I'm not so sure that I can recommend the film. Put it this way: I saw the movie so you don't have to if you feel squeamish.

And you should. "The Northman" is nothing if not brutal, dark and lengthy. The on-screen images recall depictions of violence in the feature movies, "Braveheart" (1995) and "The Passion the Birch Forest (Anya credible fight scenes, of The Christ" (2004), each of which was directed by Mel Gibson.

Northman" wasn't directed by Mel Gibson. "The Northman" goes beyond some of the violence depicted in "Braveheart" and "The Passion of the

Those movies told a story. They re-purposed the violence, like it or not. To what purpose the violence depicted in "The Northman" serves, I really know based on a

the film's plot line. There's scant stoen little character background about Nordic ways, and little explanation of Norse myths, even as the displays of terrible violence are in the movie-goer's face



lessly bleak. If that's its

"The Northman" takes place in early 900 AD in what is modern-day Scotland, Ukraine, Iceland and

(Alexander Amleth Skarsgård), a Viking prince, is bent on rehis father, King Aur- Northman." vandil War-Raven (Ethan Hawke), which wrote the screenplay jaw-dropping, smash-the young Amleth witnessed. Amleth is taken ner, Un Certain Regard: phy, impressive stunt to the land of Rus (rough-to the land of Rus (rough-to the land). The language of the land of Rus (rough-to the land). The language of the land of Rus (rough-to the land). The language of the land of Rus (rough-to the land). The language of the land of Rus (rough-to the land). The language of the land of Rus (rough-to the land). The language of the land of Rus (rough-to the land). The language of the land of Rus (rough-to the land). The language of the land of Rus (rough-to the land). The language of the land of Rus (rough-to the land). The language of the lan ly Russia, Ukraine and Cannes Film Festival. Belarus) to be raised by Vikings.

fronts his mother, Queen cinematography is by of cruel joke, and moral-Gudrún (Nicole Kid-Director of Photography ly bankrupt.
man), and her husband, Jarin Blaschke (Oscar To quote Shake-(Claes Bang), who is phy, "The Lighthouse," 5, Scene 5, "The North-Amleth's uncle and who 2020). killed Amleth's father.

are Willem Dafoe (Hei-mir the Fool), Björk (the "Big Little Lies," 2017-Seeress), Gustav Lindh 2019) slogs though the may have in "Peabody's

medieval Scandina- gated vengeance. vian legendary figure

"The Northman" is directed by Robert Eggers, The pounding Eggers (director, "The Lighthouse," 2015) co-wrote the screenplay for "The Lighthouse during the two hours-plus that "The North-man" consumes. "The (born Sigurjon B. Sig-Northman" is relent- urdsson in Iceland). Sjón



CONTRIBUTED IMAGE FOCUS FEATURES

venge for the death of From left: Alexander Skarsgård (Amleth), Anya Taylor-Joy (Olga of the Birch Forest), "The

The kings. historically-accurate Northman" is an amaz-Amleth meets Olga of "Northman" has in- ing piece of cinema.

In supporting roles der Skarsgård (TV's nothing.' are Willem Dafoe (Hei- "Succession," 2021; TV's Or to

the film's plot line.

There's scant story development in the apparently well-researched film about the Viking myth. We're giv
vian legendary figure said to be the basis for Prince Hamlet in William Shakespeare's Gambit," 2020) is the ed. Under 17 requires film's bright light of ever effervescent wide
vian legendary figure said to be the basis for Forest, Anya Taylor-Joy "The Northman," MPAA rated R (Restrict-Gambit," 2020) is the ed. Under 17 requires accompanying parent or adult guardian.) for ever effervescent wide-As Olga of the Birch tricks.

the screenplay for "The house") and Sebastian Northman" with Sjón Gainsbourgh is epic for

apparently costume and props. "The ly, there are subtitles.

Nonetheless, Taylor-Joy), with whom astounding images and Northman" is a colossal he falls in love. He con- magnificent vistas. The waste of time, some kind

Shake-Fjölnir The Brotherless nominee, cinematogra- speare, "Macbeth," Act April 29-May 1: Anima-As Amleth, Alexan- and fury, signifying

(Thórir The Proud) and Olwen Fouere (Ashildur orable and disturbing on TV's "The Rocky & impression in a one-note Bullwinkle Show" (1959-Amleth is based on performance of unmiti- 1964): "You can't teach an Old Norseman new

strong bloody violence,

Readers Credit Anonymous: the epic. Northman" was filmed on location in Iceland;

in production design, some scenes. Fortunate- theaters; \$17.5 million,

"The seen in all it's bloody lion, five weeks. gory in Dolby Cinema

tic Movie Box Office, office and the top four films stayed in place.

"The Bad Guys," repeated at No. 1, with \$16.1 million, in 4,042 theaters; \$44.4 million, two

2. "Sonic the Hedgein 3,801 theaters, \$160.9 million, four weeks. 3. "Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore' stayed in place, \$8.3 million, in 3,962 theaters, \$6.3 million, in 3,284 the Drama based on the novel by Annie Ernaux taking place in France during the 1960s. at Once" moved up one Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent" moved down two places, \$3.9 million, in 3,036 theaters, \$13.5 million, two weeks. 8. "Memory." starring Liam Neeson in

three weeks. 10. "Mor-At The Movies: bius," \$1.5 million, in "The Northman" was 1,726 theaters, \$71.4 mil-

Box office informaat AMC, The Promenade tion from Box Office Shops at Saucon Valley. Mojo as of May 1 is sub-Theatrical Domes- ject to change.

Unreel, May 6: "Doctor Strange tion continued to ani- in the Multiverse of mate the weekend box Madness." PG-13: Sam Raimi directs Benedict Cumberbatch, Elizabeth The animated film, Olsen, Chiwetel Ejiofor and Benedict Wong in the Action, Adventure, Fantasy, Horror, Science-Fiction film. Dr. Stephen Strange opens the doorway to the mulhog 2" stayed in place at tiverse, which includes No. 2, with \$11.3 million, alternate versions of himself that threaten Dr. Strange, Wong and Wanda Maximoff.

"Happening," Audrey Diwan directs Anamaria Vartolomei, Kacey Mottet Klein, Luàna Bajrami and Louise Orry-Diquéro in

"The Twin," place, \$5.5 million, in MPAA rating: Taneli 2,213 theaters, \$35.4 mil-Mustonen directs Terelion, six weeks. 6. "The sa Palmer, Steven Cree, Lost City" moved up one Barbara Marten and place, \$3.9 million, in Tristan Ruggeri in the 2,595 theaters, \$90.8 mil- Horror film. A mothlion, six weeks. 7. "The er confronts the truth about her surviving twin son.

Movie opening dates from Internet Movie Database as of May 1 is subject to change.

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payback crime thriller,

Director of the State p.m. - 5 p.m. Theatre Summer Acting Camp is Denise Crawn, July 22, is a full day, owner of Prestige Pro- morning and afternoon, ductions, who brings for all students. extensive experience in ing, directing and pro- case recital, July 23, ducing.

The camp is presented in four groups: Grades 1-3, Grades 4-5, Grades 6-8 and Grades

is designed to include sessions for Grades 4-12 an educationally-based, are available. fun-filled theater experience where the spotlight cludes two free tickets is on the student.

Each child will rotate daily between three classes (Acting, Music, Dance), learning lessons and tips needed in all phases of theater.

sentation, terminology, skills and acting games, 252-3132

The producers of the choreography, Freddy Awards and preparation, and musical technique.

Classes for the camp Arts," July 11 - 22, with a 22. Morning sessions are 'Camp Recital," July 23, 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. After-Easton. noon sessions are 1:30

The last day of class,

The course culmitheater, including act- nates in a student-showwhen students perform on the stage of the historic State Theatre.

Class size is limited to 25 students per group. Morning sessions for The two-week course Grades 1-3 and afternoon

The course fee into the July 23 recital. Scholarships are made possible by the Thomas F. Staley Foundation.

For information or to register for the 2022 Summer Acting Camp: Subjects include au- State Theatre Box Ofdition technique, pre- fice, 453 Northampton St., Easton; online at character development, http://statetheatre.org/ scene work, improv acting-camp, or call 610-



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Ouestions for Fact Checking Detectives

Facts can be checked with research, and these days a lot of people use the internet for their research. Unfortunately, not all information on the internet is true and accurate. Here are some tips to help you do research on the internet more carefully.

The News Literacy Project provides a list of 10 questions to help people do research on the internet. Below are three of those questions. To see all 10, go to the source link below.

Gauge your emotional reaction:

Is it strong? Are you angry? Are you intensely hoping that the information turns out to be true? False?

Consider the headline or main message:

- a. Does it use excessive punctuation (!!!) or ALL CAPS for emphasis?
- b. Does it make a claim about containing a secret or telling you something that "the media" doesn't want you to know?

Consider the source of the information:

- a. Is it a well-known source?
- b. Is there a byline (an author's name) attached to this piece?
- c. Go to the website's "About" section: Does the site describe itself as a "fantasy news" or "satirical news" site?
- d. Does the person or organization that produced the information have any editorial standards?
- e. Does the "contact us" section include an email address that matches the domain (not a Gmail or Yahoo email address)?
- f. Does a quick search for the name of the website raise any suspicions?

Source: newslit.org

World Press Freedom Day RISKS REPORT IOURNALISTS RIGHT CONTROL

May 3rd is World Press Freedom Day. People around the world will celebrate the importance of a free press to a democracy. OCAL NEWS

Freedom of the press gives the the truth right to with a promise that they will not be punished for doing their job by the government.

Freedom of the press also means that people have the to express their opinions or beliefs in publications.

In certain countries, that is not the case.

Where the Press Isn't Free

Sadly, some governments what newspapers and other media can say. Newspapers are not to write about many events.

Journalists around the world take great _____ to get facts and important news and information to all people. Far too many have died doing this. Can you find at least 5 differences bétween these two pictures?



NEWS OR NOT? Look through the newspaper for articles that a government might want taken out. Cross them out. What's left? These two people are talking about one of the articles you crossed out. Write what you think these people are saying.

Good article! People need to read this because



I disagree! This should not be in the newspaper because

Facts Help People Understand the World There are many difficult and confusing things going on in the world. Sometimes it is hard to know what to think. One tip is to look for the **FACTS**. (Example: *The house is red* is a fact. *The house is beautiful* is an opinion.)

OPINIONS describe how someone feels about a thing

or event. Opinions can vary from person to person.

Circle the FACTS in GREEN. Circle the OPINIONS in RED.

FACTS are pieces of information based upon things that

can be measured, proven or seen by anyone.

Tomás is a fast reader.

Tomás can read 100 words in

30 seconds.

The apple weighs 5 ounces.

The apple tastes good.

Trees are prettier in the summer than in the fall.

Irees need water and sunlight to grow.

The movie was filmed on location in Canada.

The funniest scenes you'll ever see are in this movie.

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A Day to Reflect

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World Press Freedom

Day is a day to think

about the importance

of a free press and to remember those who

have fought and

sacrificed for the

press to be free.

Look through today's newspaper for the names of the following:

- publisher
- editor

How many of them can you

- managing editor
- editorial page editor an opinion columnist
- a reporter

Standards Link: Understand newspaper format.

Standards Link: Literacy: Differentiate between fact and opinion.

Freedom of the Press

The Founding Fathers of the United States believed so strongly in the importance of a free press, that they protected that right in the First Amendment of the Constitution. There were 10 Amendments, or additions, added to the Constitution in 1791.

To find out how many Amendments have been added since 1791, color the spaces with two dots red.



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Find the words in the puzzle.

FOUNDING find on this page? **OPINIONS** FOUNDINGPE **FREEDOM** ARRFACTSPS **FATHERS** TOEDFHRMRI **PROMISE PROVEN** HMAEGIUEOM WORLD EEEIDSTDVO **PRESS** RLRLEOHIER TRUTH SPRESSMANP **RIGHT** JOURNALIST **FACTS**

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

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This week's word: DEMOCRACY

The noun democracy means a system of government typically elected by a majority of the people.

In a democracy, it's important for the people to vote in every election.

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

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Look for newspaper articles that give information that you think is important for your community. Write a letter to the editor thanking them for that information. Let them know that you appreciate their freedom to report this.

Standards Link: Write in a variety of formats

Letter to the Editor





involving money. Remember to include your answer.



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By Dave Green

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

Nicole Melin - Space #917 May 4, 11

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Pursuant to state law, the following is a list of occupants from the AIRPORT ROAD SELF STORAGE INC., 7249 Airport Road, Bath, PA 18014, who will have the contents of their respective space sold to satisfy the owner's lien. James Dallam - Space #230

Apr. 27, May 4

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION - NONPROFIT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Articles of Incorporation - Nonprofit have been filed with the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of obtaining a Certificate of Incorporation pursuant to the Pennsylvania Nonprofit Corporation Law of 1988, as amended. The name of the corporation is

HEART OF AN ANGEL, INC.

The Articles of Incorporation (filing date) September 1, 2021; The purpose or purposes for which it was organized are as follows: To promote awareness and education of mental, illness of our citizens. James Martin Connell, Esquire 251 E. Broad Street Bethlehem, PA 18018

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Upper Macungie Township Board of Supervisors will conduct two Special Meetings to discuss matters associated with the volunteer fire companies of Upper Macungie Township, any other issues that may come before the Board, and to take any necessary action, if appropriate. The meetings will occur at the following times and locations

Thursday, May 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. **UMT STATION 56** 6510 Schantz Road Allentown, PA 18106

Tuesday, MAY 31, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. FOGELSVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. STATION 8 7850 Lime Street Fogelsville, PA 18051

Kalman Sostarecz Township Secretary May 4

Apr. 27, May 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Ordinance No. 2022-08 shall be considered and, if appropriate, enacted by the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township at a Special Meeting scheduled to be held on Thursday, May 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at UMT Station 56, 6510 Schantz Road, Allentown, PA 18106.

Ordinance No. 2022-08 shall amend Appendix H-101, et seq. of the Township of Upper Macungie Code of Ordinances, to add thereto an additional vacation of a portion Memorial Road in the Township of Upper Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, as a public road; said vacation being in ac cordance with the Second Class Township Code, 53 P.S. Sections 67304, 67305(a) and (b), and 67311.

Copies of the proposed Ordinance shall be on display at the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building at the address indicated above, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, and on file at The Parkland Press, Allentown, PA, where it may be inspected

Kalman Sostarecz Township Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE
SOUTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Hearing Board of South Whitehall
Township will conduct a Public Hearing on Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at 7:00 P.M., in the South Whitehall Township Municipal Building located at 4444 Walbert Ave, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, for the follow-

ZHB-2022-05: The Appeal of TAC Allentown, LLC, seeking a variance from Section 350-24(c)(12) General Commercial-Special Height Limitation District Criteria (GC-1) where the Minimum Lot Area Per Use is 2.5 acres and the existing parcels combined are 2.007 acres proposed; and, a variance from Section 350- 24(c)(12) of the Minimum Lot Frontage Criteria which requires 300 feet of road frontage and where 283.95 feet exists. The subject property is located at 3350 and 3354 Walbert Avenue and is zoned (GC-1) General Commercial-Special Height Limitation. Self-Storage Facilities are a permitted Use by right. Tax ID No.'s 548734143792-1 and 548734256386-1.

The above-referenced property is in South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, PA. Copies of any plans, applications, and/or supporting documents that were submitted can be available for public inspection at the Township Building during normal business hours where they may be examined without charge or obtained for a charge not greater than the cost thereof (it is recommended that appointments be made in advance). All appellants, or their representative with legal standing, must attend. All objectors and interested parties are invited to attend and will have the opportunity to be heard.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of South Whitehall Township will meet in the Township Municipal Building located at 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. for an agenda review, and at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a public meeting to discuss the following, and any other business brought before the Board. The meeting will also be streamed live through GoToMeeting. Due to the limitations of the facility, public comment may or may not be available for remote viewers. To access though your computer, go to https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/757430189. To access the meeting through your phone, dial 1-224-501-3412 and, when prompted, enter 757 430 189. RIDGE FARM FINAL PLAN PHASE 1A

MAJOR PLAN 2017-101

REQUEST FOR FINAL PLAN REVIEW An application to develop the properties located at 1802 North Cedar Crest Boulevard (the northwest corner of the Walbert Avenue/Cedar Crest Boulevard intersection). The plan proposes 5 apartment buildings containing a total of 6 units; 14 two-unit dwelling units (7 pairs of twins); the continua-tion of Yellowstone Road, Road M and its intersection with Cedar Crest Boulevard, and a portion of Road H; and Basins 3 and 4 and associated stormwater management facilities on a 13.2-acre portion of the 31.9644-acre tract. The property is zoned R-10 and TND-Residential Cluster Overlay District and is being developed as a TND-Residential Cluster Overlay. Kay Walbert LLC is the equitable owner and applicant.

All properties are located in South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Copies of plans, applications and supporting documents are available for public inspection upon request.

Gregg Adams, Planner, Community Development Department May 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Public Hearing Notice is hereby given that the Heidelberg Township Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a Public Hearing at the Heidelberg Township Municipal Building, 6272 Route 309, New Tripoli, on May 16, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. to hear the following appeal:
APPEAL #270, CASE #22-2

The appeal of Jack Habash, of the Heidelberg Township Zoning Ordinance to allow a variance under §27-202 No structure or land shall be used or occupied and no structure or part thereof shall be erected, constructed, reconstructed, moved, or altered after the effective date of this Chapter except in conformity with the intent and regulations specified in this Chapter for the district in which it is located. 27-501 Agricultural Preservation District, commercial manufacturing is not a permitted use in this district. The applicant has been using the property for building cabinet boxes for his construction business without a permit. The property location is 6715 Flint Hill Road, New Tripoli, PA 18066, and it is in the Agricultural Preservation

PLEASE NOTE: Due to COVID-19 the meeting room will be set up for so-cial distancing and occupancy is limited. We are following CDC guidelines for masking. If you are vaccinated you do not need to wear a mask. If you are planning to attend or have any questions, please contact the undersigned at 610-767-9792 x11 or ddidra@heidelberglehigh.org for more information and options for participation without physical attendance. If more than 14 persons are present for the hearing, zoom capability will be made available to those who cannot physically attend but wish to.

Dawn Didra, CZO Zoning Officer Apr.27, May 4

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See solutions on Page B12

PREMIER Crossword

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100 Indy sponsor 102 Ballet outfit 103 Something very easy 104 Vegas casino

106 Some Siouan speakers 108 MetLife rival 110 Concern for a dermatologist 111 Concern for a dermatologist

112 Horror film lab assistant 113 Twice tetra-114 "Psst" cousin-115 — avis 116 Some old Fords

121 The "S" of GPS: Abbr. 122 Hosp. zones 123 Ideal serve 124 Young fella

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners will hold a regular Public Meeting on Monday, May 9, 2022 at 7:00PM in the **Public Meeting Room of the Coplay-Whitehall Sewer Authority located at 3213 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052** to discuss and take action on the below listed

ORDINANCES

BILL NO. 10-2022 TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSALS FOR CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES PER REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS 22-01, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (DEVELOPMENT)

BILL NO. 13-2022

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROSAL FOR WEATHERPROOFING AND STRUCTURAL PRESERVATION RENOVATIONS TO THE PRYDUN FARM BUILDINGS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (RECREATION)

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR PAVEMENT PRESERVATION WORK, BID 2022-05 FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS BUREAU, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AU-THORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (PUBLIC WORKS)

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR PURCHASE OF TWO HURST HP EXTRACTION TOOLS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (PUBLIC WORKS)

BILL NO. 16-2022

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE OF WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, ELECTING TO AMEND ITS NON-UNIFORM PENSION PLAN ADMINISTERED BY THE PENNSYLVANIA MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV OF THE PENNSYLVANIA MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT LAW AGREEING TO BE BOUND BY ALL PROVISIONSOF THE PENNSYLVANIA MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT LAW AS AMENDED AND AS APPLICABLE TO MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY.

6. BILL NO. 17-2022

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR PURCHASE OF ONE (1) 2023 DODGE CHARGER VEHICLE AND TWO (2) DODGE DURANGO VEHICLES FOR THE POLICE PATROL DIVISION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (POLICE)

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 3202

TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROPER TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS TO APPROVE TO BANK AS THE APPROVED DEPOSITORY AND BANKING INSTITUTION FOR TOWNSHIP FUNDS (ADMIN).

Copies of the full text of the proposed legislative items may be examined by any citizen in the Administration Office of the Township of Whitehall, PA, on any business day between 8:00 am and 4:00 p.m. The Whitehall Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Assistance for the visually and/or hearing impaired is available upon request at least five (5) working days prior to this meeting

/s/Thomas Slonaker_____ FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL

May 4

PUBLIC NOTICE AGENDA

The Upper Macungie Township Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on May 11th at 6:30 P.M., at the Township Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031 to hear the following ap-

#05 22 004 The Zoning Appeal of Oak Restaurants LLC, 14 Balligoming Rd., Conshohocken, PA 19428; for variances listed below at 248 N. Route 100, Breinigsville, PA 18031. The property is situated in the HC Zoning District. The Parcel Identification Number is 545599499893 1

1. Applicant requests a variance from §27-307.C.F Table of Lot and Setback Requirements by District to place an accessory structure within the required side yard setback.

Applicant requests a variance from §27-601.2.D.25 Table 6.1 Off-Street Parking Requirements to allow 23 parking spaces where 23.33 spaces are required.

Applicant requests a variance from §27-603.7.C(3) Design Stand-

ards for Off Street Parking to place driveways within the required minimum paved area setbacks on three surrounding roadways.

4. Applicant requests a variance from §27-605.2.G Off-Street Loading

to not provide a loading space.

5. Applicant requests a variance from §27-704.3.D Freestanding, Wall and Window Signs to allow applicant to install three Drive-Through Menu Boards where the allowed number is two or less

#05 22 006 The Zoning Appeal of Zoe Mattis and Joshua M. Pepe, 60 Werley Road, Allentown, PA 18104-9478; for variances listed below at 60 Werley Road, Allentown, PA 18104-9478. The property is situated in the R5 Zoning District. The Parcel Identification Number is 547661288175 1.

Applicant requests a variance from Definition of "Home Occupation", B. General Home Occupation, (1) persons working on the premises:

from a maximum of one nonresident to five nonresidents.

2. Applicant requests a variance from §27-403.4.H.(1).(b) Additional Requirements for Accessory Uses, specifically "Home Occupation" to increase the total amount of floor area of all buildings used for a home occupation from the permitted 25% of the total floor area of the principal dwelling unit (which is 1,400 square feet) to 107.2% or 1,500 square feet.

Applicant requests a variance from §27-403.4.H.(1).(e) Additional Requirements for Accessory Uses, specifically "Home Occupation" to allow for the storage of more than two trucks of any type on the lot or on adjacent streets at any period of time to five trucks

Applicant requests a variance from §27-403.4.H.(2).(b) Additional Requirements for Accessory Uses, specifically "Home Occupation" to increase the maximum of one person work on the premises who is not a

permanent resident of the dwelling to five nonresidents.

5. Applicant requests a variance from §27-403.4.H.(2).(f) Additional Requirements for Accessory Uses, specifically "Home Occupation" to allow for the use to routinely park more than four vehicles of nonresidents

at any one time, from four to five vehicle Alternately, a Special Exception from § 27-306 Table of Permitted Uses by District to permit Mobile pet grooming as a Principal Use "Home Occupation, General": specifically, to include Garage Household; Parking, off-street, only to serve a use that is in that district; and Other accessory use customary and incidental to a permitted by right, special exception ... Principal Use

Alternately, a Special Exception from § 27-306 Table of Permitted Uses by District to permit Mobile Pet Grooming as an Accessory Use "Home Occupation, General": ... Accessory Use.

#05 22 007 The Zoning Appeal of Manus J. and Kathleen A. Boyle, 1122 Covered Bridge Crossing, Orefield, PA 18069-8833; Appealing the denial of Building Permit # 10 21 939 for construction of a 15 feet wide by 15 feet long two-story building addition and for variances listed below at 1122 Covered Bridge Crossing, Orefield, PA 18069-8833. The property is situated in the R2 Zoning District. The Parcel Identification Number

- 1. An interpretation of Section § 27-202. Terms Defined. The definition of Building as it relates to a principal structure. To determine if the subject building is part of the Principal Building or an Accessory Structure.
- With a favorable determination that the subject building is part of the Principal Building;
- Special Exception for an Apartment for Care of Relative, as required for an Accessory Use by §27-306 - Permitted Uses Table Residential Dis-

A Variance from §27-307 - Table of Lot and Setback Requirements by District, for a 15-foot encroachment on the 20-foot required setback for a Principal Structure.

With a favorable determination that the subject building is an **Accessory Structure**;

a. Special Exception for an Apartment for Care of Relative, as required for an Accessory Use by §27-306 - Permitted Uses Table Residential Districts. A Variance from Section § 27-307.2.A.h. - Maximum Number of Stories (Accessory Building) one (1) story - plus an additional nonhabitable floor that shall be restricted to storage.

Section § 27-403.4.L.2.(a). Accessory buildings on a lot with a lot area of two (s) acres or less in a residential district shall contain a Maximum total floor area of 1,000 square feet.

Applicants must appear at the hearing. All interested parties may appear and be heard.

Kyle Kuester Zoning Officer Apr. 27, May 4 **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Trexlertown Self Storage located at 1455 Trexlertown Road, Macungie PA, 18062 intends to satisfy its Self Storage lien against contents of the following spaces for non-payment of Rent or other charges: Edumar Collado Duran, leased space #B421, Thelma Sandra Infanti-Quadenfield-Lambert, leased space #B486, Jeffrey A Bortz, leased space R2109, Katysue Craddock, leased space R2111, Cheyanna Conklin, leased space R2127. The items will be sold online May 19, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at <u>www.Storage</u> Treasures.com. The winner of the sale is subject to the terms and conditions of the website, preregistration to bid is required. The sale may be withdrawn at any time.

PUBLIC NOTICE FOUNTAIN HILL BOROUGH

Notice is hereby given that the following Ordinances will be introduced at the meeting of the Borough Council on June 6, 2022:

ORDINANCE #863, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL, CHAPTER 6, CON-DUCT, PART 5, SMOKING IN CERTAIN AREAS PROHIBITED, ADDING A DEFINITION SECTION, DEFINING TOBACCO PRODUCTS TO INCLUDE ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES, DEFINING SMOKING TO INCLUDE THE USE OF A TOBACCO PRODUCT, REPEALING SECTION ON PERMITTED SMOKING AREAS, PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF PARTS OF THIS ORDINANCE DEEMED TO BE IN-VALID; REPEALING ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EF-**FECTIVE DATE**

ORDINANCE #869, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDI-NANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL, CHAPTER 15, PART 3, §304 PARKING REGULATIONS, AMENDING SECTION (4) PENAL-TIES TO REPLACE WRITTEN WARNING WITH \$25 FINE FOR FIRST OFFENSE AND INCREASE FINE FROM \$75 TO \$100 FOR THIRD OF-

Chapter 15, Part 3, §304 (4) shall be amended to read as follows: Penalties. Any person who violates a provision of this section shall be subject to a fine of \$25 for the first offense and, upon conviction, a fine of \$50 for the second offense, a fine of \$100 for the third offense, and a fine of \$300 for each subsequent offense.

ORDINANCE #870, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL, CHAPTER 27, ZONING, PART 5, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, SECTION 507 CON-TROL OF LIGHT AND GLARE BY AMENDING PROVISIONS RELATING TO OUTDOOR LIGHTING IN ORDER TO PROMOTE SAFETY, SECURITY, NIGHTIME PRIVACY AND NIGHTTIME ENJOYMENT OF RESI-DENTIAL PROPERTY, AS WELL AS MINIMIZE GLARE THAT POSES DANGERS TO THOSE OPERATING MOTOR VEHICLES, PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF PARTS OF THIS ORDINANCE DEEMED TO BE INVALID; REPEALING ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A Public Hearing will be held on ordinances #863, #869 and #870 on June 6, 2022, at which time the Ordinances will be considered for adoption. Upon adoption, said ordinance will become effective in accordance

A complete copy of the text of the proposed Ordinances are available for examination without charge in the office of the Borough of Fountain Hill, 941 Long Street, Fountain Hill, PA 18015, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Eric C. Gratz Borough Manager

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF JANET IRENE LEHR, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all to the Decedent to make payments without delay to LARRY RONALD DRIES, Executor, c/o 1310 Devon Circle, Allentown, PA 18104. Apr. 27, May 4, 11

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

The regular monthly meeting of the Whitehall Township Zoning Hearing Board will be held on May 17, 2022, at 7:00 p.m., in the Public Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, at 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, to hear the following appeals:

DOCKET # 1935 - Adams Outdoor Advertising - 2176 Avenue C, Beth-18052, PIN 549826530918, the subject property is located in a C-2 Regional/Community Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is making a validity challenge to Sec. 27-165 (E); or, in the alternative, requesting a variance to Sec. 27-165 (C), (D), (E) and Sec. 27-153 (3) (4) of the Zoning Ordinance regarding the dwell time of messaging on LED billboard, setback from Residential Zoning District, setback from other buildings, spacing between signs, and setback to street right of way. Continued to this meeting for deliberation and decision, with consent of the Applicant

DOCKET # 2021 - Layal Hanna - 3512 Sharon Circle, Schnecksville, PA 18078. Location: 4823 Main Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 548918606913, the subject property is located in a C-1 Neighborhood Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a special exception and interpretations, or variances if necessary, to Sec. 27-60 (D) (6), Sec. 27-106 (B), Sec. 27-78 (A), and Sec. 27-121 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding change of nonconforming use (more than one principal use of the property), Sec. 27-60 (D) and Sec. 27-104 (A); interpretation, continuation of a nonconforming structure pursuant to Sec. 27-106 (B); if applicable, variance from Sec. 27-93 (density of dwellings); alternatively a use variance from Sec. 27-78 (A) and/or from Sec. 27-121 conditional use requirements for apartments; parking variance from Sec. 27-146 (C) or recognition of nonconforming parking pursuant to Sec. 27-145 (N). Continued to this meeting at the request of the Applicant.

DOCKET # 2025 – NIKAL, LLC – 3665 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052. Location: 3665 MacArthur Road (former Winding Brook), Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 548993615940, the subject property is located in a C-2A Local Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting variances to Sections 27-62(A) and 27-79 of the Zoning Ordinance for proposed uses as a hotel and restaurant, a permitted use as a bank, and to continue nonconforming use as a banquet hall.

DOCKET # 2027 – Bradley D. Boltz – Bachman's Roofing, Building & Remodeling, Inc. – 36 South Elm Street, Wernersville, PA 19565. Location: 3210 S. Third Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549950832792, the subject property is located in a R-4 Medium Density Residential Zoning District. Applicants are requesting variances to Sections 27-74(E)(2)(a) and Sec. 27-106 (C) of the Zoning Ordinance regarding front yard setbacks for an addition to an existing nonconforming single family residential structure to allow the addition of a side entry porch stoop (4'-8" wide x 5'-0" deep x 18" high) with (2) steps within the front yard set back. In the alternative, the Applicants request a favorable interpretation that the proposed addition is permitted pursuant to Section 27-99 of the Zoning Ordinance.

Copies of plans, applications and supporting documents are available for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building. Comments and questions may be submitted to CGittinger@whitehalltownship.com.

The decisions of the Township of Whitehall Zoning Hearing Board are made without regard to race, color, national origin, familial status, and disability status of the Applicant.

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

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

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

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

> Christopher W. Gittinger Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer

PUBLIC NOTICE Seven Generations Charter School **Custodial Services**

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by SGCS for Custodial Services to be performed at 33 E. Minor Street, Emmaus, PA. Submit proposals/bids no later than 12:00 p.m.,

Copies of the Request for Proposal containing instructions to the bidders and a summary of desired services may be requested by contacting Liz Carballal. A walk thru meeting for all interested vendors is scheduled on 5/4/22 from 2:30-4:00 onsite. liz.carballal@sevengen.org 610-421-8844 Apr. 27, May 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR BIDS Fire Extinguisher Servicing
The Bethlehem Area School District will receive

sealed bids in the Business Office, 1516 Sycamore St, Bethlehem, PA 18017, no later than 2:00 PM prevailing time, Friday, May 27, 2022 at which time bids will be publicly opened. DETAILED SPECS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE BASD WEBSITE - www.basdschools.org or by email at purchasing@basdschools.org.

> PUBLIC NOTICE
> REQUEST FOR BIDS & QUOTES
> Vehicle Parts Bid Tires & Service Bid Oil, Grease & Fluids Supplies Bid

The Bethlehem Area School District will receive sealed bids in the Business Office, 1516 Sycamore St, Bethlehem, PA 18017, no later than 2:00 PM prevailing time, Fri. May 13, 2022, at which time bids will be publicly opened.
DETAILED SPECS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE BASD WEBSITE - www.basdschools.org or by email at purchasing@basdschools.org. April 20, 27, May 4

> PUBLIC NOTICE
> REQUEST FOR BIDS & QUOTES Heating Supplies
> Plumbing Supplies Lamps & Bulbs Supplies **Fall Sports Supplies Quote-Lumber Supplies Quote-Science Supplies**

The Bethlehem Area School District will receive sealed bids and quotes in the Business Office, 1516 Sycamore St, Bethlehem, PA 18017, no later than 2:00 PM prevailing time, Thurs. May 12, 2022, at which time bids will be publicly opened. DETAILED SPECS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE BASD WEBSITE www.basdschools.org or by email at purchasing @basdschools.org. April 20, 27, May 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Hearing Board of Lower Macungie Township will hold a public hearing on Tuesday May 24, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Township Municipal Campus, Meeting Room "A" 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, Pennsylvania 18062-1428. We ask that you follow CDC guidelines and wear a mask based on your personal preference and your personal level of risk and please continue to practice social distancing.

Appeal No. 13-2022 of Wawa, Inc. 260 W. Baltimore Pike Wawa PA. 19063 Property located at 6216 Hamilton Blvd. in a C-Commercial Zoning District. Lehigh County Tax Parcel No. 547522098294. Applicants are requesting a Variance to Ordinance 2019-10, Part 22, Section 27-2205 1. B. regarding setback requirements for the proposed monument sign and any other relief that may be required by the Lower Macungle Township Zoning Ordinance.

Appeal No. 10 -2022 of Seven Development Group Inc. 318 W. Main Street, Birdsboro PA. 19508. Property located at 5037 Wild Cherry Lane Macungie PA. 18062., in an S-Suburban Residential and a CO-Cluster Overlay Zoning District. Lehigh County Tax Parcel No. 548417521482. Applicants seeks to appeal the Zoning Officers decision to Sec. 27-2604 5. A. (1) (e) and that Sec. 27-1603 has been misinterpreted or misapplied. Applicants are also requesting a Variance to Sec. 27-702 and Sec. 27-707 regarding use and minimum side yard setbacks for the proposed thirty-eight (38) lot subdivision and any other relief that may be required by the Lower Macungie Township Zoning Ordinance.

Appeal No. 14-2022 of Chick-fil-A 6379 Hamilton Blvd. Allentown PA. 18106. Property located in a C-Commercial Zoning District. Lehigh County Tax Parcel No. 547502999509 1. Applicants are requesting a Variance to Ordinance 2019-10, Part 10C, Section 27-1007, and Part 23, Sec. 27-2303 6. D. and Sec. 27-2304 1. regarding maximum impervious coverage, parking lot landscaping and off-street loading requirements for the proposed addition and drive-thru improvements and any other relief that may be required by the Lower Macungie Township Zoning Ordinance. requirements for the proposed addition and drive-thru improvements and any other relief that may be required by the Lower Macungie Township Zoning Ordinance.

All applicants must appear at the hearing. Any interested persons are invited to appear before the Board at 6:00 p.m.

The Lower Macungie Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Any person that requires special assistance to understand the nature of the business conducted at the above hearing because of visual, hearing or other impairment is requested to contact the Township Secretary at least five (5) days prior to the scheduled hearing to arrange for the necessary assistance

PUBLIC NOTICE BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA ZONING HEARING BOARD MONDAY, MAY 16, 2022, at 7:00PM The Borough of Fountain Hill Zoning Hearing Board will hold a public hear-

ing on Monday, May 16, 2022, at 7:00 PM in the Borough Hall Council Chambers located at 941 Long Street, Fountain Hill PA 18015. The meeting will be held to hear the following cases:

APPEAL NO. 22-001 - 940 CHEROKEE STREET 940 Cherokee, LLC ("Applicant") proposes new construction of a 4-story

apartment building and seeks variances: (1) a variance from Chapter 27, Part 6:601.A Table 6.1 to permit a minimum of 1.5 off-street parking spaces per dwelling unit in neu of the required minimum of 2 spaces per dwelling unit. Applicant suggests that 1.5 off-street parking spaces per 1 or 2 bedroom dwelling unit is consistent with parking standards set nationally for apartments. 88 parking spaces are required and Applicant proposes 66 parking spaces. (2) a variance from Chapter 27, Part 3:307 Attachment 3: Table of Dimensional Requirements to permit 1,190 square feet per dwelling unit in lieu of 3,000 square feet per dwelling unit, 132,000 square feet is required. The Property is 52,383 square feet. The property is located within the TC, Town Center zoning district.

APPEAL NO. 22-002 - 1401 BROADWAY

Pinnacle at Fountain Hill, LLC and Pinnacle at Broadway, LLC (jointly "Applicant") seeks approval to expand the existing nonconforming use pursuant to Chapter 27, Section 805(C). The property formerly contained the VIA Thrift Store and has apartments on the second floor. The apartment use is an existing nonconforming use as it is not specifically permitted in the GC, General Commercial Zone. Applicant is proposing to renovate the second floor of the building to establish six one-bedroom apartments each with its own kitchen and bathroom. Applicant seeks special exception or a variance from Section 805(C)(4)(a).

APPEAL NO. 22-003 - 1300 BROADWAY

St. Ursula's Church ("Applicant") proposes construction of a 22 space parking lot on the western side of the church building and seeks variances for the following: (1) Chapter 27, Section 803.D.1 - Twenty-foot (20') wide buffer yards are required alongside and rear lot lines of any new area of ten (10) or more new off-street parking spaces when abutting or across an alley from an existing dwelling within a residential district. (2) Chapter 27, Section 803.D.3, the buffer yard shall be a landscaped area free of structures, dumpsters, commercial or industrial storage or display, manufacturing or processing activity, materials, loading and unloading areas or vehicle parking or display. (3) Chapter 27, Section 804.C.2, if a lot will include 20 or more new parking spaces, landscaped areas with trees shall be provided within the parking area. The Property is approximately 2.07-acres and is in the MHD-R Medium-High Density Residential zoning district.

All applicants and interested parties must attend in-person. Requests to review the files in advance should be directed to Eric C. Gratz, Borough Manager & Zoning Officer, at egratz@fhboro.org or 610-867-0301. Apr. 27, May 4

Apr. 27, May 4

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PUBLIC NOTICE
NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP
ZONING APPEAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Hearing Board of North Whitehall Township will be held in person on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 7:30 pm for the purpose of hearing the following Zoning Appeal(s):

Appeal No. 220004, Jordan Carpenter 2154 Ranch Road Slatington, PA 18080 is hereby requesting a variance of the North Whitehall Township Zoning Ordinance 2011-2 Article XIII Section A.7.a - Solar Energy Systems to install ground mounted solar panels on the parcel with a total of 978.75 square feet. The maximum impervious coverage of a solar energy system shall not exceed Ten (10) percent of the allowable lot coverage or 770 square feet whichever is less for residential use

The property in question is located at 2154 Ranch Road Slatington, PA 18080, and is situated in the (CR) Conservation Residential Zoning District. Tax ID# 5571 0426 4584.

ALL APPLICANTS MUST PARTICIPATE IN THIS HEARING

All persons interested or those desiring to protest will be heard. May 4, 11

> PUBLIC NOTICE
> SALISBURY TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA
> ZONING HEARING BOARD WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2022 at 7:00PM

The Salisbury Township Zoning Hearing Board will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown PA 18103. The meeting will be held to hear the following cases:

APPEAL NO. 20-0276 - 1507 LEHIGH AVENUE

Appeal of Craig Belles and CMB Properties, LLC for a variance to expand the operating hours of a non-conforming use as approved by Special Exception of the Zoning Hearing Board on November 4, 2020 (Appeal #20-0276). Applicant wishes to operate Monday through Friday from 7PM to 6PM and Saturday from 7AM to 4PM. Hours previously restricted to Monday through Friday from 7AM to 4PM and Saturday from 7AM to noon. The property is located within the R4, Medium Density Residential Zoning

All applicants and interested parties must attend in-person. Requests to review the files in advance should be directed to Kerry Rabold, Planning & Zoning Officer, at krabold@salisburytownshippa.org or 610-797-4000 x5825. April 27, May 4

> PUBLIC NOTICE BOROUGH OF EMMAUS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL WATER SERVICE TRUCK

The Borough of Emmaus, Lehigh County, PA will receive sealed bids and proposals from financial institutions for an equipment lease in the amount not to exceed \$80,000 for the impending purchase of a water department service truck. Proposals shall be for fixed rates for 2 and 3 year options.

Bids shall be made in writing. Copies of the Service Truck Specifications and any financial audits may be obtained in the Borough Manager's Office, Emmaus Borough Hall, 28 S. Fourth Street, Emmaus, PA 18049 at no cost or \$10 per set if mailed. Electronic copies can be made available upon request. The Borough may consider bids in an electronic format.

Bids shall be marked "Service Truck Lease" and must be received in the Borough Manager's Office by 12:00 p.m., Friday, May 13, 2022, at the Borough's temporary office location of 420 S. 10th Street, Emmaus, PA at which time the bids received will be publicly opened and read in the public

Bids shall remain firm for a period of thirty (30) days.

The Borough of Emmaus reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any and all Bids, and to enter into such a Contract as may be deemed to be in the best interest of the Borough of Emmaus.

> Borough of Emmaus Shane M. Pepe Borough Manager

May 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lowhill Township Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a public hearing on **Tuesday, May 17, 2022**, starting at **7:30 P.M.** being held physically at the Township Municipal Building at 7000 Herber Road, New Tripoli, PA 18066 (still a COVID-19/Zoom hearing), so limited attendees (socially distanced) at the Township Building. The Zoning

Hearing Board will consider the following Appeal:

Case No. 184, Appeal No. 2022-1. A hearing in the Appeal of Applicants, Jeffrey and Tammy Young, seeking zoning relief for a variance from Section 925.031 of the Lowhill Township Zoning Ordinance to construct a pool necessitating a 40ft. setback for those properties over 2 acres, Applicant is seeking a 12 ft. variance or 28 ft. setback as indicated in the

The subject property is owned by Applicants Jeffrey and Tammy Young with the location of the property being 6653 Kernsville Road, Orefield, PA 18069 in Lowhill Township within the Rural Village (RV) Zoning District.

The parcel identified for the Owners is 6653 Kernsville Road, Orefield, Lowhill Township, Lehigh County, PA 18069 with a mailing address of 6653 Kernsville Road, Orefield, PA 18069, identified as PIN 545756547546 1 (Document ID 2013046177).

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

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

> NEIL D. ETTINGER, SOLICITOR LOWHILL TOWNSHIP ZONING HEARING BOARD

May 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of South Whitehall Township will meet in the **Township Municipal Building** located at **4444 Walbert Avenue**, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, on **Thursday May 19, 2022** at 7:00 p.m. for an agenda review, and at **7:30 p.m**. for the purpose of conducting a public meeting to discuss the following, and any other business brought before the Board. The meeting will also be streamed live through GoToMeeting. Due to the limitations of the facility, public comment may or may not be available for remote viewers. To access the meeting through your phone, dial 1-224-501-3412 and, when prompted, enter 757 430 189 to join the meeting. To access the meeting though your computer, go to https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/

757430189. THE WILLOWS AT CALVARY TEMPLE **MAJOR PLAN 2022-106**

REQUEST FOR SKETCH PLAN REVIEW An application to further develop the property located at 3436 Winchester Road. The plan proposes to construct two 30-unit apartment buildings and a 106-space parking lot in the southwest corner of the property, and two 30-unit apartment buildings, a 3,560 square-foot clubhouse, and a 92-space parking lot in the northeast corner of the 17.39-acre parcel. The property is zoned High Density Residential R-10. Calvary Temple of Allentown PA is the owner. Ingerman Development Company LLC is the appli-

1670 CHURCH ROAD PADDA PROPERTY LLC **MAJOR PLAN 2022-104**

REQUEST FOR SKETCH PLAN REVIEW An application to further develop the property located at 1670 Church Road. The plan proposes to renovate the existing commercial building, construct a 23-space parking lot, and stormwater management facility on the 3.4912-acres parcel. The property is zoned Industrial Commercial-1 Special Height Limitation IC-1. Padda Property LLC is the owner and ap-

ST. LUKE'S UNIVERSITY HEALTH NETWORK WEST END MEDICAL CENTER SHORT-STAY FACILITY

MAJOR PLAN 2022-101 REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY/FINAL PLAN REVIEW

An application to further develop the property located at 501 Cetronia Road. The plan proposes to construct a two-story 52,571 square-foot medical building on the existing parking lot and provide 605 parking spaces on the 17.33-acres parcel. The property is zoned Highway Commercial-1 Special Height Limitation HC-1. St. Luke's Hospital of Bethlehem is the owner and applicant.

All properties are located in South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County Pennsylvania. Copies of plans, applications and supporting documents are available for public inspection upon request. Gregg Adams, Planner, Community Development Department

the following space for non-payment of Rent or

other charges:
Unit #1190 Corey Allen Loving
The items will be sold online May 19, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at www.StorageTreasures.com.
The winner of the sale is subject to the terms and conditions of the website, preregistration to bid is required. The sale may be withdrawn at any time. May 4, 11

> **PUBLIC NOTICE BIDS WANTED**

Sealed electronic bids will be received by the Lehigh County Schools Joint Purchasing Board, until 2:00 p.m., May 12, 2022 for the following: Athletic FallSupplies Trainer/First Aid/Nurse Supplies

All bids will be exclusively received and processed through the eSchoolMall easyBid application process at www.eschoolmall.com; the failure to follow this process (no paper submissions will be considered) will disqualify the bid submission. Bid instructions and specifications can be obtained from Ms. Kay Paul at 610-799-1337 or paulk@lcti.org, Bids will be opened at 2:00 p.m.

on May 13, 2022. Holly J. Keller LCSJPB Board Chairperson Apr. 27, May 4, 11

> PUBLIC NOTICE BOROUGH OF MACUNGIE ZONING HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Borough of Macungie Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at 7:30 P.M. in the Auditorium, Macungie Institute, 510 East Main Street, Macungie, PA, on the following appeal

APPEAL 2022-02: STACK STORAGE, LLC, 2801 NORTH THANKSGIVING WAY, SUITE 100, LEHI, UT 84042 FOR PROPERTY AT 200 WEST MAIN STREET, MACUNGIE, PA 18062 OWNED BY 178 WEST MAIN, L.P., 138 HAMIL-TON STREET, ALLENTOWN, PA 18101 - The applicant is requesting a Special Exception from Zoning Ordinance §345-23.A and §345-23.B to reduce the parking requirements from forty-four (44) spaces to twenty-seven (26) spaces for a proposed four-story, self-storage building located in the MAIN STREET COMMONS SUBDIVI-SION situated in the General Commercial (GC) zoning district.

The applicants and all interested parties must appear at the hearing to be heard.

> Joe Peterson, BCO **Zoning Officer**

April 27, May 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE of Joseph Balascak, deceased, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who represents all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to;
L. Balascak/A. Ruhf

P.O. Box 88 Old Zionsville, Pa 18068 April 27, May 4, 11

> **PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE**

Estate of Janet M. Shankweiler, deceased, late of the Borough of Macungie, County of Lehigh and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

Katherine Rex 530 Columbia Ave. Palmerton, PA 18071

or to her Attorney: Jenny Y.C. Cheng, Esquire Cheng Law Offices, P.C. 430 Delaware Avenue P.O. Box 195 Palmerton, PA 18071 April 20, 27, May 4

> **PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE**

Estate of PAUL G. MILLER, deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the under signed, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to

Glenn A. Miller, Executor c/o YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 torney YOUNG & YOUNG

Or to his Attorney

Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

May 4, 11, 18

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Patricia A. Harig deceased, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the under signed, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Brenda A. Weida, Executrix

c/o YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 ttorney YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Or to her Attorney Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

May 4, 11, 18

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of CARMEN CELESTE MORALES
PEREZ deceased, late of Guayama, Puerto Letters of Administration have been granted to the under signed, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Jancel M. Melendez Morales,

Administratrix c/o YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

Or to her Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

Apr. 20, 27, May 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

Storhouse Self Storage Lehigh Street, 1449
Lehigh Street, Allentown Pa 18103 intends to
Lehigh Street, Allentown Pa 18103 intends to
Committee will hold a virtual meeting on May 11,
2022, at 7:00 p.m. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PUBLIC MEETING ROOM REMAINS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC. If you would like to provide comment or attend the meeting remotely, please see the Township Website (whitehalltownship.org) for your options.

> PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in the Estate

of BERNARD J. WILLGRUBER late of White-hall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, the Register of Wills has granted Letters Testamentary, to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

James B. Willgruber

7008 Lynford St. Philadelphia, PA 19149

David J. Willgruber

1691 Jackson St. Whitehall, PA 18052 Or to their attorney: Curtis C. Creveling, Esq. CREVELING, CREVELING & CAPPELLINI 123 North Fifth Street Allentown, PA 18102 (610) 435-8711 Apr. 20, 27, May 4

PUBLIC NOTICE BOROUGH OF MACUNGIE ZONING HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Borough of Macungie Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, May 11, 2022, at 7:30 P.M. in the Auditorium, Macungie Institute, 510 East Main Street, Macungie, PA, on the following appeal:

APPEAL 2022-01: STACK STORAGE, LLC, 2801 NORTH THANKSGIVING WAY, SUITE 100, LEHI, UT 84042 FOR PROPERTY AT 200 WEST MAIN STREET, MACUNGIE, PA 18062
OWNED BY 178 WEST MAIN, L.P., 138 HAMILTON STREET, ALLENTOWN, PA 18101 - The
applicant is requesting a Special Exception from
Zoning Ordinance §345-21.1.D for the demolition of an historic building on the property to allow for the construction of a proposed four-story, self-storage building located in the MAIN STREET COMMONS SUBDIVISION situated in the General Commercial (GC) zoning district

The applicants and all interested parties must appear at the hearing to be heard

Joe Peterson, BCO **Zoning Officer**

April 27, May 4

PUBLIC NOTICE Estate of Carl Millard, Jr., Deceased, late of Township of Moore, County of Northampton, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Craig Louis Millard, Administrator, c/o 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017; or Timothy J. Duckworth, Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017. May 4, 11, 18

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of SUSAN G. JONES, late of the City of Allentown, County of Lehigh, and State of

Pennsylvania, deceased WHEREAS, Letters Testamentary in the above-named estate have been granted to Robyn J. Frankenfield, Executrix of the Estate of Susan G. Jones. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands

Robyn J. Frankenfield c/o Alfred S. Pierce, Esquire Pierce & Steirer, LLC 124 Belvidere Street Nazareth, Pennsylvania 18064 Attorneys for the Estate I.D. No. 21445

Apr. 27, May 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE **ESTATE OF ANTHONY J. BUCHVALT, JR.,** deceased, late of the Township of East Allen, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the individual named below, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all per-

sons indebted to the Decedent to make payment

Carol A. Buchvalt, Executrix c/o Eric R. Strauss, Esquire WORTH, MAGEE & FISHER, P.C. 2610 Walbert Avenue Allentown, PA 18104

May 4, 11, 18

PUBLIC NOTICE **ESTATE NOTICE**

Estate of Nancy L. Bechtel, deceased, late of the Township of Whitehall, County of Lehigh and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Letters of Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay

Robert Q. Bechtel, Jr. 2016 Lehigh Ave. Whitehall, PA 18052 or to his Attorney Neil D. Ettinger, Esquire Ettinger & Associates, LLC Peachtree Office Plaza 1815 Schadt Avenue - Ste. #4 Whitehall, PA 18052 May 4, 11, 18

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Annette M. McAuliffe, deceased, late of the Township of Lehigh, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Letters of Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make pay-

ments without delay to:

Judith McAuliffe Weber 4741 Maple Dr. PO box 373 Walnutport, PA 18088 or to her Attorney: Neil D. Ettinger, Esquire Ettinger & Associates, LLC Peachtree Office Plaza

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1815 Schadt Avenue - Ste. #4 Whitehall, PA 18052

Executor: c/o Joseph P. Yannuzzi, Esquire 211 West Broad St. Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517 Joseph P. Yannuzzi, Esquire Attorney:

Apr. 27, May 4, 11

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS AND FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEES of the Board of Trustees for Lehigh Carbon Community College will meet at 5:30 p.m. on May 9, 2022 in Room TC203, Main Campus, Schnecksville, PA. PUBLIC NOTICE WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP **PUBLIC MEETING**

PUBLIC NOTICE SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE The PERSONNEL, CURRICULUM AND

The Whitehall Township Civil Service Commission will meet on Thursday, May 12, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. via virtual meeting. PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED REMOTELY. If you would like to provide comment or attend the meeting remotely, please see the or attend the meeting remotely, please see the Township Website (whitehalltownship.org) for your options.

PUBLIC NOTICE In order to satisfy its statutory lien pursuant to 73 P.S. §1901 et seq., the following facilities will sell at **PUBLIC SALE** all the personal property stored in its facilities located at Nazareth Self Storage 240 S Main St, Nazareth Pa 18064 AT 10:00 AM, on MAY 27 2022, Auction will be hosted on storageauctions.com Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, cancel or adjourn the sale **Customer Name** Benjamin Remelius C207

May 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE Waste Management of Pennsylvania, Inc. plans to submit a solid waste permit renewal application to the Pennsylvania Department of En-vironmental Protection (DEP) for their existing municipal waste transfer facility located at 4816 Timberline Road, Walnutport, Pennsylvania 18088. The application requests approval to extend the operating term of the McAuliffe Transfer Station permit for an additional 10 years. The application does not request any other changes to the permit.

Copies of the application will be available for review and copying at the DEP Northeast Regional Office, 2 Public Square, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania 18701. Fees for copying may be charged by the DEP, and an appointment must be made with the DEP to review the application. Copies of the application will also be provided to Lehigh Township and Northampton County, who may submit recommendations for permit conditions, revisions, permit approval or disapproval, and other comments to the DEP within 60 days of receipt of the application. The DEP will also accept and consider comments from the public during the permit review period. Comments should be sent to the attention of Mr. Roger Bel-las, Environmental Program Manager, 2 Public Square, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania 18701. April 27, May 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE of Jonathan M. Dech, deceased, late of Macungie, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay

Karen Lynn Dech, Executrix Address: c/o Bruce W. Weida, Esq. 245 Main Street Emmaus, PA 18049 or to his Attorney: Bruce W. Weida, Esq. 245 Main Street Emmaus, PA 18049

Apr. 20, 27, May 4

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Shirlene J. Silfies deceased, late of February 27, 2022, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Defendant to make payments without delay to:

7593 Kings Highway New Tripoli, PA 18066 Or to her Attorney

Abigail Gross, Esq. 7619 Tilghman Street Allentown, PA 18106 Apr. 20, 27, May 4

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE of JACK S. WIGGINS, deceased,

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

Kathy A. Jones Michael T. Wiggins c/o Feldman Law Offices, P.C. 2310 Walbert Avenue Allentown, PA 18104 SAMUEL F. FELDMAN, Esquire Attorney: Feldman Law Offices, P.C. 2310 Walbert Avenue Allentown, PA 18104 Apr. 27, May 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE REGISTRATION NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in the Estate of the Decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted Letters Testamentary to the person named. All persons having claims or demands against said estate are requested to make known the same, make payment without delay, to the executors or to their attorneys named below: Decedent: **VAL WILSON**

Date of Death: July 23, 2021 Plainfield Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania Dawn M. Wilson Late of: Executor: c/o Joseph P. Yannuzzi, Esquire 211 West Broad St. Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517 Attorney Joseph P. Yannuzzi, Esquire 211 W. Broad Street Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517

Apr. 27, May 4, 11

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE REGISTRATION NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in the Estate of

the Decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted Letters Testamentary to the person named. All persons having claims or demands against said estate are requested to make known the same, make payment without delay, to the executors or to their attorneys EARLE JAMES WILSON Decedent:

Date of Death: February 28, 2022 Late of: Plainfield Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania Dawn M. Wilson

211 W. Broad Street Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517

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CONTACT

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tary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Jean Kashnicki, Executrix, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or her Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102. Apr. 27, May 4, 11

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Law Firm, 123 N. 5th Street, Allentown, PA

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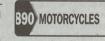
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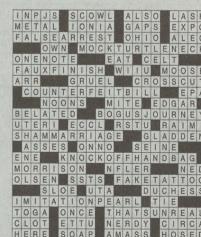
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How small businesses can use tech to their advantage

Small businesses are vital cogs in the economy. When taking a stroll down a typical Main Street in the United States and Canada, shoppers are likely to pass an array of eateries and shops offering everything from handcrafted furnishings and ornaments to floral arrangements and more. These small, privately owned businesses help make communities unique and desirable places to live.

The impact small businesses have on their communities was perhaps never more apparent than during the COVID-19 pandemic, when many business owners were forced to close their doors or limit their hours of operation in an effort to stop the spread of the deadly coronavirus. When small businesses struggle, the ripple effects are considerable and include higher rates of unemployment and less tax revenue for communities. A 2019 report from the Office of Advocacy of the U.S. Small Business Administration found that small accounted



scores the important role variety of ways. these businesses play.

Supporting owned businesses is a great way to accelerate the post-pandemic eco-nomic recovery. As important as community support is to the survival of a small business, the people who own those businesses must make a concerted effort to connect with consumers

States. That figure under- ness owners do that in a something small business

· Pay attention to molocally bile rankings. The SEO solutions experts at SEMrush report that roughly 72 percent of domains change rankings by one place on mobile compared to desktop, while 52 percent change by three places. That's a significant dropoff as more and more consumers utilize mo-bile search engines when for 44 percent of econom- and inspire that support. shopping. The populari-ic activity in the United Technology can help busi- ty of mobile searching is

owners should take seriously and strongly consider when devising their optimization strategies.

· Strengthen your social media presence. A 2020 study from the social media marketing firm Sprout Social found that nine in 10 consumers will buy products from a brand they follow on social media. Small businesses can use that to their advantage by strengthening

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Brief breaks during the work day can dramatically improve one's ability to focus on a task. A 2011 study published in the journal Cognition found that brief mental breaks can improve focus on a prolonged task.

The study's authors tested participants' ability to focus on a repetitive computerized task for 50 minutes under various conditions.

The control group perbreaks or diversions.

The switch group and non-switch group memorized four digits before performing the task and were directed to respond if they saw one of the digits on the screen while performing the task.

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The switch group was the only group to be preduring the experiment, and both groups were testdigits at the end of the task.

formed the task without formance declined considthe 50-minute task. However, the performance of those in the switch group did not decline at all, as the two brief breaks to respond to the digits allowed them to maintain their fo- mental breaks throughout | become even more so in cus throughout the exper- the workday.

The researchers behind sented with the digits twice the study concluded that the switch group's performance was steady because ed on their memory of the the brain is built to detect and respond to change, and Most participants' per- its performance will actually suffer if it must mainerably over the course of tain prolonged attention on a single task without taking a break.

Professionals with a lot on their plates may see their performance improve by taking frequent

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their social media presence, devoting some time each day to promote their offerings. Businesses also can encourage in-store customers to follow them on social media.

· Prioritize customer service. Interactions with a real person will likely always remain consumers' preference when they have questions or concerns about products and services. But that doesn't mean small business owners cannot still expand their customer service offerings to include customer relationship management software (CRM) and chatbots, both of which can improve customer relations.

Small businesses are ingrained in their communities, and can utilize various technologies to the years ahead.

Like an Old Fashioned Country Store

Stoves n Stuff on Rt. 309 in South Tamaqua recently expanded their product offerings to include farmhouse and country décor, unique gifts, seasonal decorations, amish furniture and specialty food products, offered under their new Country Hearth and Home branding. The idea for this new concept came about when co-owner Pete Carmean's wife Doreen, the business' Office Manager, was looking to decorate the hearths and mantles for the many fireplaces on display. "She created so many nice displays that people were looking to buy them so we felt that it was something new we could add to the business that people were looking for. We both love farmhouse décor and old country stores so we started bringing in products not only to decorate and sell but also to give the store some of the cozy feel of those old stores," Carmean said.

the store some of the cozy feel of those old stores," Carmean said. Comfy, rustic rocking chairs, in bear motif, greet customers when they enter the store along with a large display of seasonal decorations on amish-made, barn board cabinets. Just off to the side are wooden barrels filled with old time candy; Gold Mine Gum, Pop Rocks, Sour Gummies and Laffy Taffy. The love of old time country store fare led to some unique products such as Cooke Tavern Soups, Thompson's Candles and the Great San Saba River Pecan Company. Cooke Tavern offers all natural, dry soup mixes with flavors like Yankee Doodle Chicken Noodle, Blacksmiths Black Bean Chili and Barn Raising Country Vegetable. Thompson's Candles are artisan crafted, super scented candles offering fragrances such as banana nut bread, butter rum and grandma's cookies. The Great San Saba River Company, a family owned pecan farm located in San Saba, Texas, uses their fresh owned pecan farm located in San Saba, Texas, uses their fresh pecans to create delicious pecan popcorn and pecan pie in a jar as well as toppings and preserves. A stroll around the store reveals an old time country store

range merchandise; braided rugs, trivets and coasters from Capitol Earth Rugs, napkins, placemats and throws from the Country House Collection, a full assortment of seasonal house flags, garden flags and doormats from Briarwood Lane, Crow Canyon spotted enamelware and much more. Unique gift ideas include Dalin Intarsia Wall Art, in which artisans cut, carve and shape exotic woods to make pictorial artwork including the Big Bear in the Forest and Deer In the Woods, and Willie Bear Collectibles, like Willie Bear Hammocking and Wille Bear Carrying Canoe. A popular favorite has been the Goat Milk Soap and Lotion by Fresh and Fancy from the farm, with Coco Mango, Butt Naked and, of course, Monkey Farts being the top sellers. Farmhouse décor is a constant but displays change with each season; as the

Christmas and Winter Season winds down Spring displays take over, and later on Americana and Fall decorations and merchandise fill the store. "Our customers have really taken to it," Carmean reported. "It's very gratifying to see people come in and just wander the store to look at all the great striff way he have the store to look at all the great striff way he have the striff way have the striff way he have the striff way the great stuff we've brought in. wife picks out everything herself (with limited interference from me!). It's really created a unique shopping experience and we're glad that it has been so well received." Stoves n Stuff Country Hearth & Home, still the area's best source for alternative heating products, stove and fireplaces, but now a great place to shop for both home and hearth.



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Employers benefit from engaging with employees

from the U.S. Department of Labor indicates that 4.5 million people quit their ginning of 2022.

may have led millions of employees are disengaged. tain workers longer and

The COVID-19 pandem- people who were previous- Gallup reports that such keep those workers enic prompted millions of ly dissatisfied with their companies suffer from 16 people to reconsider their careers to make positive percent lower profitability, careers. That reflection changes, employers forced has had a profound effect to confront staff shorton the labor market. Data ages may be wondering what they can do to attract qualified and talented candidates. Finding ways to jobs in the United States in engage workers more com-November 2021, which led pletely could benefit comto a near record-high num- panies in various ways. ber of job openings around A recent poll from Gallup the end of 2021 and the be- found that companies suf-Though the pandemic consequences when their could help businesses re-

18 percent lower productivity and 37 percent lower job growth.

No two workers are the same, so there's no magic wand employers can wave that will ensure everyone is suddenly engaged and satisfied with their jobs and career prospects. However, recognition of what fer some pretty significant employees value most

gaged.

A recent survey of 540 full-time employees from the market insight firm Clutch found that the most important workplace values for full-time employees are fair pay and fair treat-

It's no surprise that compensation bears such significance, as pandemic-related inflation and global conflicts have led to rising costs on everything from food to fuel. However, a survey from the risk management experts at Willis Towers Watson found that there's a disconnect between employees

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The full impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the business sector won't be known for years to come, though a recent survey indicates that a drop in post-pandemic productivity is not something many businesses expect.

In a 2020 survey of leading firms in Europe that were asked a variety of questions about the potential long-term effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on the economy, the European Central Bank found pandemic-related that 60 percent of respondents felt that productivity in their business or sector would increase.

In addition, the ECB reported that most respondents were not anticipating any long-term, set of the pandemic, prov- labor to remote working.

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and employers in regard to the importance of fair pay and its relation to workplace stress.

Employees consider low pay to be the second greatest source of workplace stress, while employers indicated that eight other factors are greater sources of such stress for their employees.

Employers concerned about staff dissatisfaction, and the effects that disengaged employees can have on their bottom lines, can make a concerted effort to revisit their compensation policies.

An overhaul of such policies could be just what companies need to reengage employees and improve employee retention, giving businesses a significant advantage in an era marked by significant turnover in the labor force.

Hometown Farmers Market The thing to do every Wednesday



Susan Biege invites everyone to enjoy what has become one of the region's richest traditions - the Wednesday visit

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At the market you'll find produce, meats, baked goods and flea market items, both old and new. There are always great bargains in fresh fruits and vegetables. The market,

For the past 72 years, however, is not just for food. There is so much making their Wednesday more and the variety is

"It's a family place," says Susan Biege. "We have plenty of free parking and the lot is well lit for night shoppers. It's clean and the merchants are friendly. Many have been coming here for decades."

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Businesses can persevere in the face of adversity

Millions of individuals envision being their own boss and gaining financial independence, and those are just two reasons why starting a business can be an exciting pros-

Novice entrepreneurs are likely familiar with just how difficult it can be to get going and sustain a business for years. The United States Department of Labor Statistics says 20 percent of small businesses fail within the first year. By the end of five years, nearly 50 percent have closed their doors. This information shouldn't make aspiring entrepreneurs run for the hills, but it can serve as motivation to avoid common mistakes and learn from others.

Every new business venture is met with obstacles along the way. Recognizing potential challenges and learning how to sidestep them is an important part of growing a successful business.

Make a business plan

A business plan is crucial and will begin with your vision and what you want to achieve. The business guidance site The Balance: Small Business suggests including the following in your business plan: a mission statement; list of the products choosing the right em-or services that will be ployees or cofounders is that employees will want offered; the niche a busi- very important. It may to become long-term fix-



business will solve in its industry; and how business owners plan to position themselves against competitors. An effective business plan can serve as a guide that business owners can use to get started and then return to as their business grows and evolves.

Choose the right people

ness intends to establish be tempting to hire a itself in: marketing strat- friend or family member egies; which problems a because you want to do them a favor. You may even have had a successful working relationship in the past. But it's best to base hiring decisions on applicants' competence and skills. Integrity also is a good trait to look for in an employee.

Strategies for retention also should be a priority. Pew Research says roughly 40 percent of mil-The business solu-lennials will change jobs tions company Don't Do in a year's time. Figure Business Without It says out how to make your

Ask for help or consider mentors

All business owners problems experience from time to time, but the obstacles a business faces have no doubt challenged others in the past. Business owners should not feel as though they need to go it alone to prove their mettle. Business owners can reach out to a mentor or someone in their professional network when faced with a new and challenging obstacle. A study by UPS showed that 70 percent of business owners who received mentoring survived for five years or more. That's nearly double the rate of those who didn't seek assistance. Asking for help with problems can also free up energy for other components of the business, which allows owners to play to their strengths.

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5 ways to banish boredom at work

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According to Forbes magazine and a Robert Half blog, studies show that employees are bored roughly 10.5 hours of the work week. Reports from Glassdoor say one-quarter of office workers suffer from chronic boredom that can cause them to make mistakes and lose concentration. Boredom can be problematic in a culture that values constant productivity engagement. When bottom lines are affected by boredom, it benefits both employers and employees to find ways to make the workday more engaging.

1. Focus on tasks and not time

Waiting around for a fixed time to do something or leave for the day can adversely affect productivity. According to Psychology Today, when hungry lab rats are required to wait around until a set time to get food by pressing a lever, they become lethargic. The same may apply to workers waiting for a fixed lunch hour or time to go home. However, setting goals that focus on tasks rather than a particular time can lead to more animation and productivity. This may mean a programmer handles a certain number of lines of code before taking a coffee break or a teacher can grade a certain percentage of essays before calling it a night. Focusing on a task can help workers forget about the time, and reduce boredom in the process.

2. Change your commute

Employees who are commute can lead workhausted before the work day even begins. Find different ways to work, even if it means leaving a bit earlier to avoid traffic. Changing the scenery each day may help alleviate boredom before it begins in the workplace.

3. Modify work spaces

If staring at a cubicle wall leaves you in a daze, ask to have your seat moved to a new location. A simple change that offers a fresh view may fend off boredom. If a move isn't possible, redecorate the office or cubicle. Subtle changes may inspire you to be more focused.

4. Ask for a challenging project

Sometimes doing the same tasks by rote can quash creativity and lead to boredom. Ask the boss for more diversified tasks. Or volunteer to be part of a project that interests you - even if it's outside of your wheelhouse.

5. Get more sleep

Poor rest can affect decision-making and innovative thinking, according to a study published in the journal Organizational Behavior and Human Decision Processes. Just one night without sleep can impair your ability to perform tasks that require flexible thinking and updating of plans in light of new information, says the study. A good night's rest can reduce fatigue and may help workers overcome boredom during the workday.

Boredom at work can be problematic, but there are strategies to make a A frustrating and tiring workday more engaging.

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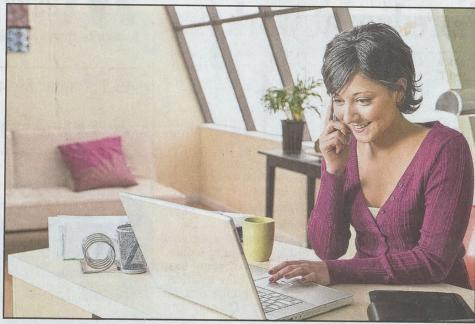
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Home office must-haves

Remote work has been around for many years, though it certainly picked up steam in 2020. In an effort to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus COVID-19, in March 2020 government officials implemented stay-at-home measures that mandated many working professionals to begin working from home. That transition occurred seemingly overnight, forcing men and women to find somewhere in their homes to

As the dust settled and working professionals grew accustomed to working from home, many recognized the need to have an office in their homes. Various factors can make home offices more conducive to getting work done, and the following are some home office musthaves that can help people be more productive while



working from home.

Lighting

Lighting is important in a home office. It's easy to overlook natural light, especially for

workers who previously worked in offices that did not have windows. But natural light can help save on energy costs and boost mood. In fact, natural light is a valued commodity for people used to working in office

settings. A 2018 survey of more than 1,600 workers conducted by the human resources advisory firm Future Workplace found that access to natural light and views of the outdoors were the most

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sought after attribute of a workplace environment. In addition, 47 percent of workers surveyed admitted they felt tired or very tired from the absence of natural light or a window at their office. When designing their home offices, homeowners should keep this in mind and choose areas of their homes that get ample natural light during a typical workday. Additional lighting also will be necessary. Recessed lighting can give an office a sleek look, and lights that can dim can allow workers to adjust their lighting make for the most idebased on how much they need at any given point in the workday.

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Professionals forced to work at home when social distancing measures were implemented may not have had much quiet, especially for those with young children whose schools were closed. But when designing a home office, homeowners have the chance to make their offices more conducive to concentration. Soundproofing walls may not be necessary, but look for areas of the home that don't get much foot older homes may need traffic. Kitchens are very popular rooms in many homes, so try to locate your home office away from the kitchen. A spare electrical, replace exist-



al home office setting if the home does not have a traditional den. Spare bedrooms come with doors, which can instantwhen closed. A convertfor a useful home office, but make sure the room already has cooling and heating and, ideally, win-

Electrical outlets

Recently built homes tend to be equipped with enough outlets to accommodate our increasingly connected lifestyles. But some electrical updates before they can capably accommodate home offices. When updating your bedroom upstairs may ing outlets and fixtures

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Home office capabilities became a big priority in 2020. Designing such ed garage also can make where your computer, spaces can be fun and easy.

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How to be more organized at work

The dawn of a new year is a time when change is readily welcomed by millions of people across the globe. Many people see a new calendar year as a great time to turn over a new leaf, and New Year's resolutions are often made with the intention of making positive changes.

Committing to being more organized is a popular goal each January, and it's one that can pay some surprising dividends if individuals can see it through to fruition. For example, in 2011 researchers utilized functional magnetic resonance imaging and other measurements to determine that clearing clutter from a home and work environment improved individuals' ability to focus and process information. That study, published in the Journal of Neuroscience in 2011, also concluded



that clearing clutter increased productivity.

Professionals can take note of the relationship between being organized and being productive and embrace certain strategies to be more organized at work. While organizing at home may be as simple as emptying the pantry or tossing out old magazines, organizing at the office is more likely rooted in minimizing distractions that can make it hard to maintain focus and complete tasks. The following are some strategies to clear clutter in office environments.

Communicate during your commute. Professionals who take mass transit or carpool to work can use their commutes to comb through their emails. That may seem like an insignificant strategy, but it's not. In 2018, Adobe surveyed more than 1,000 office workers in the United States and found that the average

worker spent more than three hours per day on work emails, and an additional 2.5 hours on personal email. Professionals can use their commutes to organize emails and respond to those that are most pressing. That should free up time to get more done during the workday.

Turn off unnecessary notifications. Smartphone and device notifications provide an endless stream of distractions that can make it hard for professionals to organize their days and maintain their productivity. A 2020 study from the multinational telecommunications firm Telefónica found that the average smartphone user

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According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Business Employment Dynamics report, small businesses created 10.5 million net new jobs between 2000 and 2019, accounting for 65.1 percent of net new jobs created since 2000 in the United States. The Government of Canada reports that the number of small businesses in Canada in 2020 was far greater than the number of medium and large businesses, accounting for 97.9 percent of all the businesses in the country.

Supporting locally owned businesses is a great way to support a neighbor, but that's not the only attraction. Here are several reasons to shop small.

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Doing for others certhe person on the receiving end, but also benefits the do-gooders. A November 2020 survey by Union Bank found that 72 percent of Americans said supporting small businesses was more important than getting the best deals. That may be due to the feeling of helping out a fellow neighbor.

Create job opportunities

Shopping at small businesses keeps those establishments afloat, and it also keeps their employees afloat. Small businesses are the largest employers in the United States. That's also true in Canada, where 68.8 percent of the total labor force works for a small business. A person may never know when he or she - or a relative - will need a job. Keeping small businesses viable provides



Keep more money in the community

The Small Business Administration says \$48 out of every \$100 spent at a small business stays in the community. Spend the same \$100 at a national retailer and only \$14 stays.

Enjoy a more local flavor

National retailers and

a strong job market for lo- other businesses follow a global business model that may not allow for much customization, but small businesses can provide products or services that relate directly to the needs of the communities they serve. These same small businesses also may be more inclined to work with local vendors and start-ups than national companies that have global supply chains.

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gets as many as 63.5 notifications per day. During the workday, individuals can clear some mental clutter by turning most app notifications off.

Keep a clean professional pantry. A disorganized kitchen cabinet can make it hard to find ingredients when preparing a meal at home, and that

sense of disorganization can compromise efforts to complete projects at work. A system for naming and storing files can make it easy to access documents quickly throughout the day. Keep separate folders for each project as well as subfolders for each component of the project. Store these in an organized manner on your computer and archive files and folders after the project is complet-





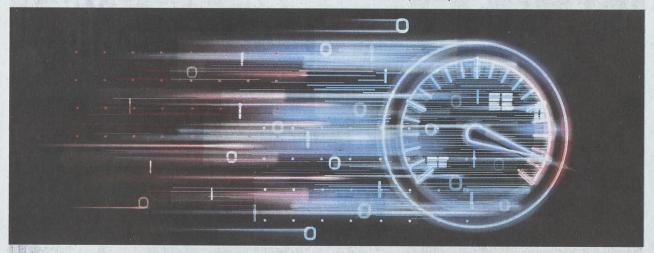
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