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## Action on opioids, child protection

BY MARIEKE ANDRONACHE  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Commissioner Dave Harrington, co-sponsor of a resolution to enter into a professional services agreement with Mid-Atlantic Rehabilitation Services, is hoping this is an important step in dealing with the current opioid crisis.

At the May 24 Lehigh County Commissioners' meeting, Harrington said, "This is a contract with folks who are going to come into the jail as part of the opioid settlement to manage and treat addiction and mental health issues arising from that addiction in a way that we are hoping will lead to rehabilitation."

Around 300 individuals will benefit directly from this agreement. Their loved ones will also benefit from them getting help.

"This is one of many steps that we're taking as a county in order to address these [opioid] addiction issues," Harrington said.

The amendment to the 2023-27 Lehigh County capital plan to include the Purchase of Furniture/Equipment for the Office of Children & Youth Services served as a backdrop to the greater discussion on the importance of this department in helping minors in challenging cases.

Chair Geoff Brace said of CYS, "these are the folks that are called to the front lines of the situations, investigating allegations of deep areas of conflict that most of us will never hear about. The fact that we are entertaining the salaries and wages, and making certain that this office has the space it needs to do its job effectively, these are good couple of steps that we are taking."

Commissioners also approved the creation of a new position, recruitment/retention coordinator, in the office of Human Resources.

HR Director Keisha McCollin-Bulluck said, "This position is essential for the county to help recruit and retain our experienced employees to help the great staff that we currently have and to help create innovative programs services and ideas to retain

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## Light of Christ Lutheran's last service

The Service of Leave-Taking for Light of Christ Lutheran Church, 2020 Worthington Ave. was held May 28.

BY ED COURRIER  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

For the third time, the newly-merged congregations forming the Blessed Trinity Lutheran Church gathered to say farewell to another place of worship. The Service of Leave-Taking for Light of Christ Lutheran Church, 2020 Worthington Ave., was held May 28. This was in conjunction with celebrating the Day of Pentecost.

This building, along with St. John's Windish at 617 E. Fourth St., and its parking lot across the street, and St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church at 474 Vine St., has been purchased by Lehigh University as a package deal.

With dwindling memberships, the three separate Lutheran congregations voted to worship together under a new name.

St. John's Windish

held their leave-taking service April 23. St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church observed theirs on April 30.

While the Light of Christ members held their final service as "Light of Christ," they and their fellow Lutherans, now known as members of "Blessed Trinity," will continue to worship at this location as tenants until they find or build a permanent home.

Kenda Riley reported there is \$3.5 million in the bank for that purpose.

Serving as Preaching Resident, Pastor Otto Dreydoppel Jr. led Light of Christ's final service. He was aided by Tony Villani, serving as assisting minister, and communion assistants Delynn Gerhard and Stacy Stocker. Lector Kathi Raphael read Bible verses.

Dreydoppel spoke

about the "witching hour" as the term is applied to Wall Street trading and in European folklore as he welcomed and addressed worshippers.

"For money people, there are 'witching days,' when financial options expire. And in fact, four times a year there are even 'triple witching days,'" he remarked.

"Well friends, this is sort of a triple witching day as we gather for worship," Dreydoppel said as he explained where they were "liturgically" at the hinge point of the church year, "congregationally" at the last of the leave-takings, and "spiritually," where they are to be attentive to the Holy Spirit.

While Dreydoppel is affiliated with the Moravian Church in America, it shares a full communion agreement with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Providing music for the event were the South Side Brass, church choir, organist Linda Maule and floutist Olivia Grube.

All three Lutheran congregations have ties to St. Peter's. It was founded in 1863 to serve the German and Slovenian immigrants in South Bethlehem.

The Slovenians split off and constructed St. John's Windish Evangelical Lutheran Church around 1911.

Church volunteer website administrator Thomas Keener says, "Light of Christ was formed in 2019 by the merger of St. Matthew's Evangelical Lutheran Church, located at 521 E. Locust St., and Messiah Lutheran Church." When the St. Matthew's building was sold, the combined congregation gathered in Messiah's renamed Worthington

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**PEOPLE SAY**

BY DANA GRUBB

What does it mean to you to have a farmers' market and other activities at the historic Rose Garden?



"I think it's really important for people to support local vendors and fun to see what people are creating in Bethlehem."

Allison Phillips  
Bethlehem



"That we still have a community and we still care about people."

Michael Kostelnik  
Bethlehem

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**STATE OF THE COUNTY**

## Economy healthy, warehousing not so much

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Northampton County Executive Lamont McClure presented his State of Northampton County remarks May 24 to a packed ballroom at the Historic Hotel Bethlehem.

McClure highlighted accomplishments with the budget, the pension fund, state of median income for residents and farmland preservation. He linked pollution of the Lehigh River and poor air quality with the transportation or logistics companies, particularly warehouses.

He touted work to reduce deaths by fentanyl poisoning, urged more broadband and affordable housing and praised local health bureaus and area hospitals for meeting pandemic challenges.

McClure criticized the over-development of warehouses, while praising warehouse workers, and made it clear that he would not support tax incentives for warehouses. "Now, let's be clear about something. Warehouses aren't inherently evil. There isn't something inherently bad about them. When I was a kid,

my dad [said] he wanted me to understand that, 'All people's work has value.'"

"Their jobs are valuable, and they are valuable, and I would never denigrate the work that those folks do. I don't want any of those to go away. Those folks have good jobs. They like their jobs. And there are a ton of logistics companies right here in Northampton County; FedEx, UPS, Amazon. The largest logistics companies in the world. I wish a couple of these would unionize, but that's a TED Talk for another day."

"So, we don't want

them to go away either. They pay taxes. They employ people. But we're done. We don't want any more warehouses. And we don't want to incentivize them with tax breaks."

He also announced support for passenger rail service to New York City and Philadelphia while preemptively denouncing the high estimates of re-establishing rail service as scare tactics. "Passenger rail [is] currently being studied again. I expect we will be told it will cost millions of dollars to get passen-

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"I think it means community and a good chance to connect with neighbors."

**Jennie Richter**  
Bethlehem



"I wanted to relive my youth and see pretty girls. And, I saw one here."

**John Smith**  
Plymouth, MA



"Just to have a reason for people to come together, it's historic and we cherish it."

**Julia Kostelnik**  
Bethlehem



"Community. This is a caring place. I drive especially to this market. It's real."

**Cheryl Dugan**  
Bethlehem

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our staff." In the midst of a healthy and competitive

job market, Brace said he hopes this new position will help attract qualified candidates for what he describes as a good work environment.



PRESS PHOTO BY MARIEKE ANDRONACHE

**Lehigh County Human Resource Director Keisha McCollin-Bulluck** speaks on the new job classification of Recruitment/Retention Coordinator.

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**Light of Christ members** are joined by their new brothers and sisters for a commemorative farewell photo at the end of the leave-taking service.

**LIGHT**

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Avenue building. Keener is a retired Lutheran pastor who has been a member of Light of Christ, and before that, Messiah, for a combined 20 years.

This contemporary building was constructed as Messiah circa 1952-1953, with an education building added next to the church in 1960. A new sanctuary and fellowship hall expanded the campus in 1975.

Formed in July 1946, the congregation initially worshiped in a tent on Belmont Street. They later bought a house on Easton Avenue, which they used as a parsonage, chapel and Sunday school.

"St. Matthew's was first organized as a Lutheran Sunday School in Heller's Hall in the borough of Northampton Heights on July 19, 1903," says Keener. "A church was built on Carbon Street near Fourth and dedicated on Nov. 26, 1905." They later crossed the Lehigh River and constructed the E. Locust Street church around 1918.

Visiting from Florida, Fred Robertson and his wife Nancy (Lechler) Robertson attended the leave-taking service. Nancy's sister, Karen (Lechler) Favinger still attends services at Light of Christ. The siblings' late parents, Rev. L. Raymond and Clarella Lechler, were early shepherds to the Messiah Lutheran flock.

Now retired, Robertson met his wife while serving as a lay minister working with youth at St. Peter's. He was affectionately known as "Uncle Fred" during that time. "I was the one who had youth dances once a month," recalls Robertson. "We alternated Messiah, St. Peter's, and St. John's, all these different churches."

The Robertsons were high school sweethearts at Liberty and have been married 52 years.

"We were there for 15 and a half years before he was then called up to Christ Hamilton Lutheran in Stroudsburg Pennsylvania," said Nancy Robertson. "We have connections to this church, St. Peter's, and one that is not involved today."

The Lechler sisters shared fond memories of growing up in the church environment as they looked at vintage photographs of their parents and other memorabilia displayed near the altar.

"My father was called to come here," says Favinger. "The Board of Missions sent him." Rev. Lechler replaced the minister who presided over the congregation while they were still meeting in a tent.

Attendees gathered for a commemorative farewell photo at the end of the service before eating lunch in the church's fellowship hall. Kasey Lynn's on Broadway catered the meal.

For more information, visit [blessedtrinitybethlehem.org](http://blessedtrinitybethlehem.org).



From left, Nancy (Lechler) Robertson and husband Fred Robertson stand at Light of Christ's altar with Nancy's sister Karen (Lechler) Favinger.



**Olivia Grube performs** "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" on the flute.



**Pastor Otto Dreydoppel Jr.** conducts the leave-taking service at Light of Christ.



**Lector Kathi Raphael** reads from the book of Acts about the Day of Pentecost.

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**VETERANS SUPPPORT:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 19. State Representative Jeanne McNeil's district office, 1080 Schadt Ave., Whitehall. Information on education, health care and death benefits. For appointments with an American Legion Service Office representative, call 610-266-1273.

**REMINDER:** Many children's events are for children and accompanying adults, often with no drop-offs. Please check to see if this applies to specific events.

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**Live in the Garden** free concert. 6 to 8:30 p.m. Saturdays till July 1. Rose Garden bandshell, Eighth Avenue and Union Boulevard. Visit web.lehighvalleychamber.org/events/Livein%20the%20Garden%20Concert%20Series%20%20Bethlehem-839005/details

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**MUSIC IN THE PARK** - Hellertown-Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce and Steel Club. Food trucks and adult beverage vendors. Live music 6 to 8 p.m. sponsored by Heintzelman Funeral Home Inc. Castaway, June 11; Brian Dean Moore, July 16; Lucky 7, Aug. 27. Dimmick Park, 570 Durham St., Hellertown.

Thursday, June 8

Lehigh Valley Pops Orchestra rehearsals, 9 to 10:30 a.m. Conductor: George Fennell. 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Information: call 610-437-3700 or visit lvactivelife.org/

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Friday, June 9

Historic Bethlehem Museums & Sites annual Rooms to View preview night at Villa Verde home, Center Valley. Food by Karen Hunter Catering; live music. 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Visit store.historicbethlehem.com

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PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Hanover Township resident chats with Colonial Regional PD chief James DePalma. "It's just friends in the community talking," said DePalma.

Coffee with a Cop



Residents spoke with the officers about anything, from their favorite pastimes to procedures and local crime statistics.

About 50 Hanover Township residents attended the fifth annual 'Coffee with a Cop' event recently, which was held by the Colonial Regional Police Department at the township's Community Center. Attendees enjoyed coffee and donuts while discussing just about any topic with the officers, from from bowling to crime. "It's excellent," said Chief James DePalma, "and it gets friends in the community talking." The Department currently has 27 sworn officers and serves Lower Nazareth Township, in addition to Hanover Township.

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ger rail to New York and Philadelphia for that matter. That should no longer be the scare tactic to keep us from pursuing passenger rail to New York City. If we are going to increase our middle class, being connected to the financial centers of the known universe is very important to us."

McClure praised some of his staff, including Deputy Director of Human Services Robyn Barbosa, to whom McClure gave a special commendation for saving homes in Northampton County during the COVID-19 pandemic.

McClure touted efforts at fiscal responsibility, noting the county has passed four balanced budgets without tax increases while building retirement funds up to 90 percent funded. He also highlighted the median income of

Northampton County residents. "What is the state of Northampton County? Out of our 67 counties we are 13th in population and yet we're ninth in median income. We are fifth in the entire state of Pennsylvania in family household median income.

"We will have invested \$25 million in the preservation of farmland and open space and environmentally sensitive land. During my time in office we have preserved over 3,000 acres of land and created three new county parks totaling over 300 acres."

McClure emphasized his commitment to "green," and drew parallels between having a green economy and financial prosperity.

McClure later gave credit to the local health bureaus for helping the administration's accomplishments during the pandemic.

"One of the reasons we came through the pandemic as well as we

did was because of the Allentown and Bethlehem health bureaus. So, we met this health crises as best we could by working together [with] testing [and] vaccinations."

"We put \$25 million in the hands of small businesses throughout the pandemic so they could survive, and survive they did. The other reason we did that is so that on the other end of the pandemic they would thrive, and they did. They're thriving mightily."

McClure praised the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce Vice President Jessica O'Donnell-Gower for helping the county administer COVID relief money to area small businesses.

He praised the foresight of past area leaders in developing Commerce Way on the site of former Bethlehem Steel brownfields.

McClure highlighted Martin Guitar's ware-

house off Route 33 as the type of business he would like to retain in the county.

"That warehouse allows [Martin Guitar] to continue to manufacture its products here and employ people here. This is not just a warehouse. It stores the wood that they source globally, including from South America. It is a building with a temperature-controlled environment [needed for] the process of crafting guitars. Without this building here with these capabilities, we might lose an iconic manufacturer. That's the kind of businesses we want to retain."

The County Executive then turned his attention to his goal of expanding the middle class. Two of the ways he envisions doing this are through the expansion of broadband for children and by increasing affordable or workers' housing.

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### Carmen S. (Andino) Andino



Carmen S. (Andino) Andino, 71, of Bethlehem, died May 19, 2023, at her residence. Born in San Juan, Puerto Rico, she was a daughter of the late Luis and Marcelina (Verdejo) Andino.

She was a sorter for Macintosh Services laundry cleaner, Allentown, for over 26 years.

She was a member of Iglesia Inc.,

Allentown.

She is survived by two daughters, Emma Ortiz and Leyda Cortijo; a son, Luis Dalmau; two sisters, Josefina Viera and Rosalina Andino; 11 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; companion, Miguel.

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

### Henrietta S. Toland

worked at SureFit

Henrietta S. Toland, 91, of Bethlehem, died May 21, 2023. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Adolph and Mary (Karner) Derwanz. She was the wife of the late Paul D. Toland Sr.

She worked in the knitting department at SureFit for more than 40 years before retiring. She worked for 10 years at the Piercing Pagoda and 10 years for Meals on Wheels.

She was a former member of Calvary Baptist Church.

She is survived by a son, Paul D. Jr. and his wife, Joan; nieces; and nephews.

She was predeceased by a grandson, Nathan A. Toland; and two sisters, Evelyn Jacobs and Violet Schroeter.

Contributions may be made to Meals on Wheels of the Greater Lehigh Valley, 1302 N. Sherman St., Allentown, PA 18109.

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

### Elizabeth (Bette) Jane Dologite

real estate broker

Elizabeth (Bette) Jane Dologite, of Allentown, died May 27, 2023 at Fellowship Manor, Whitehall. Born in Newark, New Jersey, she was a daughter of Margaret and Lemuel Burnet. She was the wife of the late Frank J. Dologite Sr.

She was a real estate broker and appraiser.

She was a member of Macungie Baptist Church. She sewed, knitted, crocheted, and made quilts.

She is survived by two daughters, Carol Frederick and husband Ross Willows, and Constance and husband Dean Mendell; a son, Douglas Frederick and wife Karen; a stepson, Gary Dologite and wife Diane; a stepdaughter-in-law, Rosemary Dologite; two sisters, Eleanor Kurtz and Peggy Yorgey; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; and four stepgreat-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by siblings, Sydney Clark, L. Robert Burnet Jr., Ronald Burnet and C. Richard Burnet.

Contributions may be made to Fellowship Community of Whitehall, 3000 Fellowship Dr., Whitehall, PA 18052; Save the Children, 501 Kings Highway East, Suite 400, Fairfield, CT 06825; or the World Central Kitchen, Attn: Donor Services Team, 200 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Seventh Floor, Washington, DC 20001.

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

### Frank J. Favata Sr.

state highway inspector



Frank J. Favata Sr., 79, of Bethlehem, died May 18, 2023. Born in New York City, he was a son of the late Albert J. and Charlotte (Hornung) Favata.

He attended Moravian College.

He was in the U.S. Air Force during the Vietnam War. He worked in construction for many years. He later was a state highway inspector until he retired in 2012.

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

He is survived by his former wife of 31 years, Alice Favata; a son, Frank J. Jr. (Christine) of Breinigsville; a daughter, Julie Stauffer of Northampton; a sister, Carole Favata of Virginia; and four grandchildren.

He was predeceased by two siblings, Louis Favata and Catherine Favata.

Contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN 38105-9959; or to Sts. Simon and Jude R. C. Church, 730 W. Broad St., Bethlehem, PA 18018.

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### Jaime Garcia Ortiz

Holy Infancy Catholic Church parishioner



Jaime Garcia Ortiz, 77, of Bethlehem, died June 1, 2023, in Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg. Born in Guayama, Puerto Rico, he was a son of the late Teofilio Garcia and the late Flor Maria (Ortiz) Garcia. He was the spouse and companion of Andrea DeLeon for 25 years.

He was a chef for many years at the Puerto Rican Beneficial Society, South Bethlehem. He was a cook and worked in maintenance at Saucon Valley Country Club. He worked in maintenance at the Iron Pigs Stadium.

He was a parishioner of Holy Infancy Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

In addition to his spouse, he is survived by two sons, James and Harry Garcia; two stepsons, Xavier and Jomar Ramos; nine sisters and brothers, Aida Garcia, Rosalia Garcia, Maria Garcia, Virginia Garcia, Gladys Velez, Marisol Garcia, Daniel Garcia, Jose Garcia and Angel Garcia; six grandchildren; three step-grandsons; six great-grandchildren; nieces; nephews; and extended family.

He was predeceased by a sister, Margarita Lopez; and a brother, Benjamin Garcia.

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Members of the Colonial Quilters Guild of Bethlehem, from left, Beverly Repsher, Susan Truby, Vicki Pede, Lynda Forti, Brenda Hoagland and S. Jane Merkel display some of their quilts May 17 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Bethlehem.

## Quilters' Guild sews together 40 years

BY TAMI QUIGLEY  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

There's a saying, "quilt until you wilt!" and after 40 years, the Colonial Quilters Guild of Bethlehem shows no signs of wilting, as members are going strong continuing the tradition begun by six women in 1983.

A passion for quilting and a camaraderie rooted in genuine friendship connects the members, whose talent and personalities blend to form a patchwork of a group that loves what they do and has fun doing it.

"I was looking for kindred spirits," Lynda Forti, a self-described "newbie" to the guild, said on a May afternoon at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Bethlehem, where the guild has met for the past 20 to 23 years.

"You make the best friends of your life when you join," Susan Truby, community service chairperson, said. "The best friends ever."

The guild will celebrate 40 years of Colonial Quilters' service to organizations, hospitals and people of the Lehigh Valley, as well as its commitment to continuing quilting education, at the guild's meeting June 13.

The guild will award a donation at this meeting to Tails of Valor, which is dedicated to providing rehabilitation through non-medical therapies with service canines to veterans suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, Traumatic Brain Injury and physical disabilities. Heather Lloyd, executive director and founder of Tails of Valor, will be present to receive the donation.

#### The top

Forti and Truby were two of the six members who recently discussed the guild at Holy Cross, joined by Beverly Repsher, a founding member, Vicki Pede, president; S. Jane Merkel, program chairperson, and Brenda Hoagland.

Rewinding to 1983, Repsher recalled going to The Quiltery in Nazareth because she had the idea to teach sewing to the Girl Scout troop she led. Mary Ann Dutkin, the owner, offered the idea to start a quilt guild. Repsher was game, and subsequently six local women gathered to plan the formation of the guild: founding member Dutkin, Repsher, E. Lorraine Miller, Mary Beth Gower, Pam Probasco and Sheri Purdy (Seip).

In addition, Judy Thompson, Barbara



Fun and colorful details decorate a kid's quilt that may also be used as a "tummy time" quilt for babies lying on their stomach.



"Made for You by Colonial Quilters Guild Bethlehem" is stitched into each quilt given for community service.

Snyder and Margo Billetz, who are still members today, were among the original group that gathered at the National Bank and Trust Company at 25th and Northampton streets, Easton to form the guild.

"A lot of people showed up at that first meeting in Easton," Repsher said. "We realized, 'yes, let's go do it.'"

The guild began meeting at Leader II Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, now ManorCare, for several years before finding a more permanent location in Bethlehem at Holy Cross on Jacksonville Road.

#### The batting

The group currently has 66 members, including six charter members, and had about 80 members the first year. They had to close membership for a time because of the number of people allowed to be in the room at Holy Cross due to fire regulations.

"Membership leveled off during the COVID-19 pandemic, but we're happy to be maintaining the membership number we have," Merkel said.

The group never stopped meeting during

the pandemic, but learned how to meet through Zoom. Guild meetings are at 6:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month, with the January and February meetings conducted on Zoom. Hybrid meetings – in person and on Zoom – allow members who live in such locales as Georgia and New York to participate.

Each meeting includes "show and tell," when members show and discuss something they've made. The monthly meetings feature speakers, often on Zoom, from all over the country.

In addition, the Quilting Queens, which includes a member in Maine, is a sewing social that meets via Zoom each month.

The purpose of a quilt guild is to foster education, fellowship, skill building and through interaction and programming gain knowledge in the art of quilting. The guild also has a library of books on quilting.

#### The backing

The guild has a deep appreciation for community service, which is exemplified through its 40 years of donating

many beautiful quilts and projects to worthy organizations in the Lehigh Valley, including The Children's Home of Easton, St. Luke's Hospice Center, Miracle League, Turning Point, Meals on Wheels and many others. Truby has spearheaded the guild's donation work for several years.

The guild has held 14 quilt shows over the years to share its work with the public and bring awareness of quilting to the community. Some of the proceeds are used to benefit charities. The guild has donated thousands of dollars to local organizations over the years.

Repsher said her grandparents were quilters, and she sewed her own clothing even before the guild was founded. "I like being with other quilters, learning new techniques and being social with others."

Ironically, Repsher later purchased The Quiltery from Dutkin, and was the proprietor for 12 years.

Truby has been sewing since she was eight or nine years old, and took lessons at the Singer Sewing Store in Pittsburgh.

"I like learning stuff and being with others," Truby said.

Truby said members meet a few Saturdays a year at Holy Cross to quilt for community service projects, but the quilting for the projects goes on throughout the year. "We make pillowcases and kids' quilts for Turning Point, and premie quilts and stuffed animals for the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at St. Luke's Anderson Campus," Truby said, naming a few of the recipients. They also make "tummy-time" quilts to

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[bethlehem.org/2023-rtv-tour-admission/](http://bethlehem.org/2023-rtv-tour-admission/)

**Elm Street Jazz Workshop** rehearsals, 9 a.m. Director: Allan Meyerson. 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Information: call 610-437-3700 or visit [lvactivelife.org/](http://lvactivelife.org/)

**Sculpture Garden concert**, "TimeWhys" live music. 6 to 8 p.m. East side of City Hall, 10 E. Church St. Inclement weather: Cohen Room, Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Visit the Bethlehem Fine Arts Commission at [bfac-lv.org](http://bfac-lv.org) for information.

**Saturday, June 10**

**Community Yard Sale**, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Northeast Community Center, 1161 Fritz Drive.

**Field Trip to Monocacy Battlefield and National Museum of Civil War Medicine**. 6:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. Departure and return: Delta Hotel by Marriot, 7336 Adrienne Dr., Breinigsville. Information: Call 610-391-1000 or visit [cwrteasternpa.org/calendar-1](http://cwrteasternpa.org/calendar-1)

**Historic Bethlehem Museums & Sites Rooms To View tour**. Experience some of the area's most inspiring homes, gardens, patios, kitchens, and distinctive designs. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information and tickets, visit [historicbethlehem.org/events/rooms-to-view-house-garden-tour/](http://historicbethlehem.org/events/rooms-to-view-house-garden-tour/)

**Suds n' Roses concert**. Live music. Craft Beer festival. 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. Rose Garden's bandshell, Eighth Avenue and Union Boulevard. Visit [web.lehighvalleychamber.org/events](http://web.lehighvalleychamber.org/events).

**Live in the Garden free concert**. 6 to 8:30 p.m. Rose Garden's bandshell, Eighth Avenue and Union Boulevard. For details, visit [web.lehighvalleychamber.org/events](http://web.lehighvalleychamber.org/events)

**Saturday Night Dance**. 7 to 10 p.m. "The Chas Band". Cost per person includes light refreshments. Singles and couples welcome. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W Elm St. Allentown. Call 610-437-3700.

**Sunday, June 11**

**Hellertown-Lower Saucon Chamber of Commerce and Steel Club Music in the Park**. Food trucks and adult beverage vendors. Castaway: live music sponsored by Heintzelman Funeral Home Inc. 6 to 8 p.m. Dimmick Park, 570 Durham St., Hellertown.

**June 12 through July 21**

**Hanover Township Northampton County Kids summer camp events**. Half (9 a.m. to noon) and full day (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.); weekly fees. Before and after care available. Soccer, basketball baseball/softball, track and field, football/cheerleading and H.T.C.C. Olympics. HanNorCo Township Community Center, 3660 Jacksonville Road.

**Tuesday, June 13**

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

**Wednesday, June 14**

**Karaoke with Bobby James**. Free. 1 to 3 p.m. Singles and couples welcome. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W Elm St. Allentown. Call 610-437-3700.

**Lehigh Valley Pops Orchestra** rehearsals, 9 to 10:30 a.m. Conductor: George Fennell. 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Information: call 610-437-3700 or visit [lvactivelife.org/](http://lvactivelife.org/)

**HELLERTOWN**

**Public Works facility dedicated**

BY CHRIS HARING  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Taking place at the borough's recently-finished Public Works building, the May 15 Hellertown Borough Council meeting was a unique event that coincided with the facility's dedication and the recognition of two long-serving employees who were retiring.

Apart from the dedication of the facility, construction began in the autumn of 2021 and faced several months of delays before being completed this April. Mayor David Heintzelman, State Rep. Bob Freeman, and various officials came together to pay tribute to Robert Ruch and Jack Hill, outgoing sanitation workers. Council President Tom Rieger highlighted the remarkable careers of these retirees, emphasizing their collective contribution of over 60 years of service to the borough.

In regular business, the Steel Club's David Spirk presented an expansive plan for further development of the property. The proposal – the



PRESS PHOTO BY CHRIS HARING

**Hellertown Borough Council** dedicated its new Public Works facility, located on Northampton Street at the former site of Reinhard School, at its May 15 meeting.

majority of which would be located in Lower Saucon Township – includes a component called Fairway Woods, consisting of either nine residential units or a recreation center in Hellertown's conservation district which would require a variance from the borough's Zoning Hearing Board.

Spirk also proposed relocating the club's main driveway from Linden Street to Durham Street and constructing seven Weir bridges

to help manage storm-water runoff. Concerns were raised by councilors Liz Thompson and Earl Hill, speculating that the relocation could result in increased traffic passing through Dimmick Park and the Hellertown Pool area.

Additionally, Councilor Andrew Hughes highlighted the potential impact of construction traffic on the borough roads leading to the site and recommended that the developer be required to post a bond

to address any damages. Zoning and Codes Officer Kris Russo suggested submitting a plan to that particular board for review before the council could take action.

In line with the evening's theme, Hughes also presented the Finance Committee report, focusing on sanitation-related expenditures, revenue, and potential cost-saving opportunities for the borough. His report suggested strategies such as implementing limits on residents' weekly waste disposal and expanding the bidding process for service providers.

In other updates, Joe Fleming Jr., Brady Rowe and Michael Cordes from Dewey Fire Co. were officially sworn in as Fire Police, with Mayor Heintzelman administering the oath of office.

The council also appointed Holly Schulties as the borough's new full-time administrative assistant, filling the position that had been temporarily staffed since 2022.

**Roy, Giordano, Clymer honored**

BY JENN RAGO  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The mood was somber as the May 22 Bethlehem Area School District regular meeting was called to order; recognitions of administrators were bittersweet. The board recognized and honored the retirements of Superin-

**BASD**

tendent Dr. Joseph Roy and Chief Human Resources Officer Russell Giordano. Both played a vital and committed role in the operations of BASD.

Dr. Roy has been the BASD Superintendent and leader for 13 years

and served in education for 37 years. He has been the driving force in the district for many years. He is a devoted advocate for children, with a strong commitment to parents and the community.

Giordano had also

served as an executive cabinet member. He has served the district as CHRO and Compliance Officer since 2011. Giordano's career as a human resource professional, combined with his experience as a

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**MEETING BOARD**

**BETHLEHEM ADVISORY COUNCIL, CHANGE OF LOCATION** through Aug. 3. 7 p.m. Fowler Family Southside Center, Northampton County Community College, 511 E. Third St. For in-person location and zoom link information, visit [bethlehemac.org](http://bethlehemac.org)

**BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL:** - 2023 committee meetings are as needed. Police - 5:45 p.m. first Monday; Finance, Public Works, Personnel, House & Ordinance - 5:30 p.m. first Wednesday; Fire, Health & Sanitation, Recreation - 5:30 p.m. third Wednesday.

**CITY OF BETHLEHEM MEETINGS ONLINE LINKS:** The city's link for council meeting streams is [www.youtube.com/@cityofbethlehem-council9913/streams](http://www.youtube.com/@cityofbethlehem-council9913/streams). The link for the Planning Commission, HCC, HARB and Zoning meetings: [www.youtube.com/channel/UCRLFG5Y9UI0JADKaRE1W3xw](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRLFG5Y9UI0JADKaRE1W3xw)

**CITY OF BETHLEHEM COUNCIL LINKS ARE CHANGED:** This is the correct link for City Council meetings as of May 2023: [youtube.com/@cityofbethlehemcouncil9913/streams](http://youtube.com/@cityofbethlehemcouncil9913/streams); or [youtube.com/channel/UC4HYHr4C6mVbfhRXhWYXajw](http://youtube.com/channel/UC4HYHr4C6mVbfhRXhWYXajw) for the Planning Commission, HCC, HARB and Zoning Meetings.

**Wednesday, June 7**

Historical Architectural Review Board -HARB. 5 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St.

Fountain Hill Finance, PW, Personnel, House 7 p.m. 941 Long St.

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

**Thursday, June 8**

Bethlehem Authority, 3:30 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St. Bethlehem City Planning Commission, 5 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St.

**PEOPLE**

**Weaver earns degree**

Jessica Weaver, of Bethlehem, earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Albright College's School of Professional Studies this spring.

**Drake, Olsen CNJ graduates**

Two Bethlehem area residents graduated May 18-19, from The College of New Jersey. Braden Drake earned a Bachelor of Science degree in communication studies and graduated Cum Laude. Katrine Olsen earned a Bachelor of Science degree in communication studies and graduated Summa Cum Laude.

**Holy Cross graduates Ardizzone**

Lucia Ardizzone, of Bethlehem, received a bachelor of arts degree and graduated Magna Cum Laude from College of the Holy Cross during the live Commencement on May 26 at the DCU Center, Worcester.

**Lynch wins CU English prize**

Annelisse Lynch '23, of Bethlehem, was an award winner in Clark University's English Department writing contest. She received an honorable mention in the Prentiss Cheney Hoyt Poetry Contest for "Just Hair".

**K.U. awards Ziemba**

Wioletta Barbara Zieba of Bethlehem received an award for See **PEOPLE** on Page A8

**Pete's Hot Dog Shop**

Lehigh grad, chef partner acquire iconic Southside business

BY JEFF BARBER  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Lehigh graduate Yongkang Gao and his business partner, Bill Geddes, recently purchased the iconic Southside eatery, Pete's Hot Dog Shop, and an adjacent three-story building that houses two residential units. They plan to reopen a restaurant in the Pete's building at 400 Broadway after renovations to it are complete. They also plan to renovate the two residences, each of which has its own entrance.

Gao hopes the residential units at 406 Carlton Ave. will be ready for occupancy by late summer and the restaurant at the end of August, beginning of September. "We need to do a lot of renovations," Gao said.

An electrical engineer, Gao, who earned his PhD at Lehigh, had eaten at the hot dog shop a few times while a student. Pete's which had been at that location since 1937, closed in March. John Mamonas bought Pete's in 1988 from Teddy Kourpas, whose uncle, Pete



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Gao, who lives in the Bay Area of California, where he works for Apple, owns several other residential properties

on the Southside and was eager to purchase Pete's and the residential building when he learned they were for sale. Geddes, who is known as Executive Chef Billy G, has restaurant experience (including a hot dog truck) and will oversee the renovations and opening of both. Geddes, who lives in South Jersey, is also a contractor and is

moving to Bethlehem to oversee the project.

Gao said they had some idea of what they want to do in the Pete's space, which is small, but haven't made any decisions yet other than it will be a restaurant. Geddes said hot dogs will be on the menu "because that's what people want," but he expects the menu to be "a little bit of everything."

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teacher proved to be the perfect recipe for meeting the ever more complex human resource needs of the district.

Also recognized was Communications Coordinator Barbara Cly-

mer, who was recently awarded the Communicator of the Year Award by the Pennsylvania School Public Relations Association. The award recognizes school communications professionals who have demonstrated exemplary leadership and commitment to enhanced communication and relationship-building between public schools and the stakeholders they serve. Representatives from PenSPRA were present to bestow

the award.

Board President Michael Faccinnetto provided anecdotal tales of his personal experiences working with each of the retirees. The most moving moment was when Giordano thanked his staff and the board. "I love my job and I love coming to work each day. I have the best staff anywhere." Fascinnetto said each retiree will be missed.

Also recognized were the high school representatives who report to

the board each month, Freedom HS Representative Jannelly Florian and Liberty HS Representative Jessica Esch. Both ladies will be graduating from their respective schools this week.

The board approved all administrative recommendations. Each of the committees gave their reports, and a last look was taken at the proposed budget prior to the June regular board meeting vote.

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MORAVIAN ACADEMY GRADUATION - JUNE 3



Students, now high school graduates proceed out of the graduation venue.



Moravian Academy Graduation Processional. Nervous and excited students begin the processional for their graduation.

281st commencement

BY JENN RAGO  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Grounded in tradition, prepared for the future, Moravian Academy Seniors took their places as high school graduates on Saturday.

"Today, we are officially adding 67 young men and women to the Moravian Academy Alumni Association," said Head of School Adrienne Finley Odell. This class will be represented at 49 different institutions of higher learning in 17 different states and Canada. Twenty-six members of this class are "lifers," students who have been at Moravian for their entire educations.

Class of 2023 President Elana Capobianco nostalgically spoke of, "Core memories, the memories we will hold dear, and remember even when we are 95. She said her Aunt Helena is 95 and can't remember what she had for dinner last night, but can accurately and vividly recall specific memories from her youth.

Capobianco said, "Graduation is a milestone, just like getting our first keycard and lanyard, or no longer wearing the plaid jumper but being old enough to wear khakis, the candlelight at vespers or the first spikeball game of spring."

She encouraged her peers to stay positive. "My Aunt Helena says, 'Life is something to smile about.'" She spoke of the importance of the friend-

ships we make today and the long-term impact they will have on us as our first batch of core memories.

Director of the Merle-Smith Campus presented the class of 2023 as Chairman of the Board of Trustees Christopher Weiler authorized the granting of diplomas. Finley Odell presented the diplomas and said something about each student.

Senior Kendall Bolden was presented his diploma by his mother, who had also attended Moravian; Sarah Connors was presented her diploma by her father, who is director of facilities; Sofia Eckman was presented her diploma by her father, who is the chairman of the History Department; Moriah Mitchell and Jack Perrucci was presented their diplomas by their father and mother, respectively, who are trustees. mother who is a trustee at Moravian.

Concluding the program, Finley Odell told the new graduates, "We are forever changed by you and you by us."

Of the 67 graduates, seven will be attending colleges in the Lehigh Valley. They are Michael Alchaer - Lehigh University, Gabriel Borsuk - Lehigh University, Ryan Hart - Lehigh University, Devin Klotz - Northampton Community College, Nabeel Rifai - Lehigh University, Rafi Sanjuan - Moravian University, and Trey Sheeler - Lehigh University.



PRESS PHOTOS BY JENN RAGO

The Moravian Academy Upper School Orchestra under the direction of C. Morrison plays an assortment of classical choices prior to the traditional Pomp and Circumstance as the Moravian Academy students, staff and family prepare for graduation.



Class of 2023 President Elana Capobianco tells the audience "Life is something to smile about." Capobianco will be attending Washington University in St. Louis.

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outstanding achievement for a senior in Kutztown University's Communication Studies May 3.

**Shadid named Albright Scholar**

Reem Shadid of Bethlehem was named a Jacob Albright Scholar for 2023. A Bachelor of Arts degree in Public Policy & Administration, Criminology student is a member of the honors program, earning Political Science Departmental Distinction. The degree candidate earned the Allen McKenney III Memorial Fund Prize for making a significant contribution to the larger community using knowledge and skills learned in the study of the social sciences.

**Students honored as 'Good Citizens'**

The Bethlehem Chapter of Daughters of American Revolution conducted its annual Good Citizens Award program April 13 at the DAR Cabin, Eighth Avenue, Bethlehem. Four students were honored as recipients of this award for writing an essay on patriotism, with pins, certificates and scholarships. Honorees are Christopher Glannaras (Liberty HS), Jessica Kleiber (Northampton HS), Rosemary John (Moravian Academy) and Sydney Bennett (Bethlehem Catholic HS).

**Hnatow inducted to MKT**

Bethany Hnatow, of Bethlehem, a University of Scranton junior, was inducted into Mu Kappa Tau, the national honor society for scholarship and high academic accomplishment in marketing.

**Jancsarics inducted to SAP**

Lauren Jancsarics of Bethlehem was inducted into Lebanon Valley College's chapter of Sigma Alpha Pi, the nation's largest leadership honor society. The Freedom HS graduate is enrolled in the bachelor of science in exercise science program.

**Two locals inducted to Phi Kappa Phi**

Derek Bast and Adam Snyder, both of the Bethlehem area and students at Pennsylvania State University, were inducted into the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter.

**Two locals earn readiness badges**

Jeremiah Espinosa and Anastacia Faisetty of Bethlehem earned Elevate Career Readiness Badges as part of a Moravian University Center for Career and Civic Engagement program. The undergraduate students participated in specific events and activities to complete the Elevate experience.

**Area senior citizen volunteers honored**

Five Bethlehem residents were honored April 28 at the Charles Chrin Community Center, Palmer Township, by the Advisory Council of the Northampton County Area Agency on Aging. The Outstanding Senior Awards recognize Northampton County residents, ages 60 years or older, who are passionate about helping others through outreach, personal action, inspiration, public service, sports, educational instruction or humanitarian endeavors.

Local honorees are Roberta Leiby, Robert Leiby, Frank Pologruto and Jean Achey of Bethlehem Township; and Patricia Fielding of Bethlehem.

**QUILT**

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be used when babies lay on their stomachs for the Visiting Nurses of St. Luke's.

The community service work didn't stop during the COVID-19 pandemic, when members would drop off their quilts to Truby in the Holy Cross parking lot.

"My husband says I'm making up for lost time," Pede said, explaining her years as a school superintendent left no time to join the guild; now retired, she has the time. "What makes the guild are the friendships, education and the programs. My favorite time is show and tell time because I love seeing what the others are doing," she said.

Pede said she's sewn for years and used to go to quilt shows of the guild, but there was a waiting list at first when she wanted to join.

Long before joining the guild, Pede needed lycra fabric to make her daughter's figure skating costume, and purchased it at Fabric Mart of Bethlehem, at the time owned by Merkel, who has been a member of the guild for at least 20 years.

"I like to touch the fabric, get new ideas and seeing members share what they have made," Merkel said.

Merkel's quilting has even "gone Hollywood" in a way, as her quilts were recently featured in a scene in the Bible study room in "Lucky Louie," which was written, directed and produced by Bethlehem native Daniel Roebuck and his daughter, Grace Roebuck. Merkel saw it when it was playing



Beverly Repsher, an original founding member, showcases some preemie blankets.

at the Roxy Theatre, Northampton.

Hoagland said she values the friendships, camaraderie and learning from everyone in the guild. "If I'm stuck on something I can ask someone for help."

Hoagland began sewing in her junior year in high school. Having worked in health care, she knew a nurse who quilted and marveled at her work. She then took classes at At Piece Quiltery in Easton.

Forti began quilting eight to 10 years ago and moved to this area from New Jersey last year. She is largely self-taught, and learned from her grandmother and by taking a class.

Forti may be relatively new to the guild, but she feels right at home among kindred spirits. "We think alike," Forti said. "I'm making new friends in a new area. I

really enjoy it."

**Continuing threads**

Though the guild is not planning another quilt show in the immediate future, Pede had the idea to hold a Quilt Bingo as a fundraiser. The inaugural bingo May 7 at the American Legion was a great success, and plans are to hold it every other year on the Sunday before Mother's Day. There were 200 players for 25 games, plenty of baked goods, beautiful tricky tray baskets, 35 quilts donated by members, and lots of fun. Members agreed a lot of behind the scenes work went into the event.

Proceeds from bingo will fund a donation to Tails of Valor. Members vote on what organization will receive a donation each year.

Not all members live in the immediate area.

Many learned quilting from their grandparents and involvement in 4-H. They craft quilts of all different styles; some prefer hand quilting and some machine quilting, which is done on a domestic sewing machine. Others favor longarm quilting, a process by which a longarm sewing machine is used to sew together a quilt top, quilt batting and quilt backing into a finished quilt. Some members belong to two, three or four other guilds.

There are differences and similarities in how they came to love quilting and membership in the guild, but it all stitches together well. As Forti said of the guild, "It's your happy place."

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## Behind the Plate: Phillies trying to find their way

BY JEFF MOELLER  
Special to the Press

Last year in another publication, I predicted the Dodgers and the Yankees would meet in the World Series. However, both teams have been part of baseball's biggest rivalries.

As we know, neither made it to the Big Dance, but the Phillies shocked the baseball world. The winning Astros were among the favorites to get there.

And, most of us are aware of the Phillies' second-half surge last season that helped carry them to the World Series. Former manager Joe Girardi was fired on June 3 last season for the team's lackadaisical performance, and current manager Rob Thomson.

Now, a year and two days later, Thomson is faced with the same task. The Phils climbed out of last place in the NL East with the win over Washington Sunday to raise their record to 27-32, but they still had lost 13 of their last 20 games.

In this week's version of my Behind the Plate column, I will look at the possibilities of the Phillies' return to respectability as well as the fabled Yankees-Dodgers rivalry, the two of them played over the weekend for the first time since 2019. Also, I'll look at the current status of the Mets, and some hardball trends

**Here We Go Again:** On June 5 last season, the Phillies were 25-29 and 11 games of first place. From there, they went on to post an overall 52-26 record and finished third in the NL East. That was good enough to win a Wild Card, and the Phils went on to blank the Cardinals in two games.

From there, they shocked the Braves in four games, and then the Padres in five games. Even though they lost to the Astros in six games, their season was satisfying.

So, now Thomson has the task of reigniting his team again in the face of mediocrity. This was supposed to be a season of contention with the lineup having another year under its belt and the addition of pitcher Taijuan Walker.

But the pendulum of fate once again hasn't swung in the Phillies' favor.

It began with the loss of first baseman Rhys Hopkins at the start of the season, one fact most people have forgotten.

Alec Bohm slid across the diamond to

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CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

The Liberty baseball team celebrates knocking off Parkland in the District 11 title last week.

## LHS wins districts, state opener

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Liberty may have had an easy run through the East Penn Conference tournament and District 11 postseason, but they always knew things would be different in their journey to reach the PIAA finals again.

That became evidently clear on Monday night when the Hurricanes came back from a two run deficit in the bottom of the seventh and pulled through in nine innings to top District One's fifth-seed Avon Grove 6-5 at DeSales University.

JC Spinosa's sacrifice fly in the ninth inning scored Tate George for the game-winning run and Liberty advanced to take on North Penn in Thursday's PIAA quarterfinals.

**More on the LHS District 11 title on page A10**

After five straight mercy-rule wins in the conference and district tournaments, Monday's win snapped an unsustainable streak of dominance, but head coach Andy Pitsilos and this roster of experienced players never wavered.

"We have been in games like this over the past two years," Pitsilos said. "So my take is that our kids never quit and battled to the end and lucky for us we came out on top."

The Hurricanes (20-4) started their seventh inning comeback from a 5-3 deficit with a sac

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Grimaldo Gonzalez crosses home plate against Parkland last week.



PRESS PHOTOS BY LINDA ROTHROCK

Bryce Blawn takes a late throw at third base.



Petros Hrousis eyes up a pitch during the District 11 finals.

## BC baseball falls in finals

BY PETER CAR  
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It wasn't the way Bethlehem Catholic wanted their season to end, but that doesn't mean the future isn't bright for the Golden Hawks baseball team.

Becahi was overmatched in last Wednesday's District 11 4A final, losing to Blue Mountain 11-1 in a five-inning mercy rule outing.

Head coach Matt Corsi felt that the championship loss was indicative of other defeats throughout the season during a 14-9 campaign.

"The final summed up our season losses," he said. "When we lost this season it always started with infield hits, which then lead to some errors. We will bounce back and be ready next year."

Blue Mountain cranked out 12 hits in the win and pitcher Dylan Sattazahn struck out eight and allowed

three hits.

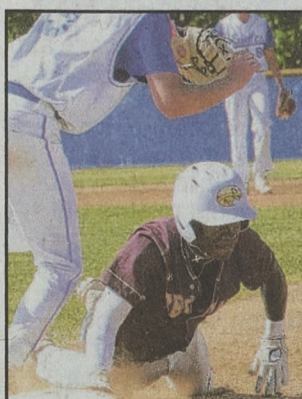
Despite falling short, Corsi was happy to be playing this deep in the season with all the obstacles with injuries the team faced throughout the year.

"Despite all our injuries we still won 14 games," said Corsi. "This was a good season."

The Hawks graduate seven seniors from the roster, one of which was Beckham McNally, who figured to be one of the Hawks top pitchers, but missed all season with an injury. He came back for the district final and drove in the lone RBI single for the Hawks.

With a large contingent of players returning next season, Corsi knows this experience will only help the team moving forward.

"The experience is invaluable," Corsi said. "We have sophomores that have been in varsity for two years. I am very excited for the future."



Jamel Clements slides back safely to first base.



The Becahi baseball team congratulates Blue Mountain after the team knocked off the Hawks in the finals.

# Liberty continued to dominate in title win

BY CJ HEMERLY  
Special to the Press

It was a run like no other. Somewhat expected though.

The Eastern Pennsylvania Conference and District 11 baseball communities knew the Liberty High School baseball team was one of the best in the area in 2023, coming off a district title the year before. The Hurricanes proved their might during a dominant postseason run, which included five mercy-rule, double-digit victories on their way to their second straight district championship last week.

Liberty, the second seed in the EPC tournament, took down Bethlehem Catholic 12-2 in the quarterfinal round, Nazareth 12-2 in the semifinals and then top-seeded Parkland 10-0 in the championship game. Entering dis-

tricts as the first seed, the Hurricanes continued right where they left off, beating Northampton and then the Trojans, both 13-3, to take districts. They outscored their opponents by a total of 60-10 overall.

"I think we knew we were the best team in the [Lehigh] Valley from the beginning of the season until right now," said senior JC Spinosa. "It was just a matter of letting the season take its course and letting the season show it. It feels great. Hopefully, we can continue to play well and make a run in the state playoffs."

In the latest game, the district final win over Parkland, Liberty had three big innings and limited the Trojans to just one big inning, on its way to a five-inning victory last Wednesday night at DeSales University's Wei-

land Park.

After a scoreless first inning of play, Spinosa came through with the game's first crucial hit. With the bases loaded and two outs, he hit the first pitch he saw just inside the foul line and to the wall in left field, clearing the bases with a three-run double. Reese D'Amico then had an RBI single in the next at-bat to push the lead to 4-0.

Parkland responded in its next at-bats in the top of the third to the tune of three runs, all of the scoring it had during the game. With the bases loaded, Matt Razzi brought home a run with a sacrifice fly, and Wana-maker followed with an RBI hit. Bo Barthol later crossed home thanks to an error to make it 4-3.

The Trojans also threatened to tie or take the lead in the top of the fourth, put-

ting runners on the corners with two outs, but John Galgon induced a fly out to left field to end the frame and keep the score at 4-3. In the bottom-half of the inning, the Hurricanes got some insurance thanks to a three-run inning, highlighted by a Spinosa RBI sacrifice fly and RBIs by Franklin Pichardo and Ayden Zabala for a 7-3 advantage.

Liberty then took full control of the game and put it away in the bottom of the fifth, batting around in the lineup, sending 10 hitters to the plate and scoring six runs. Spinosa, once again, had a big hand in the rally, lacing an RBI triple for his third hit of the night and fifth RBI.

"Last year, I felt like I struggled a little bit in the playoffs," Spinosa said. "Coming into this year, one

of my biggest focuses was to show up when it matters the most. You live for moments like that, bases loaded, two outs, you want to come through for your guys. I look forward to stuff like that and I want to be in those situations."

Liberty (20-4 overall) enters the state tournament carrying a ton of positive momentum. They were the state runners-up last season, making a run to the final. They are looking to do the same this season, and it started off well as the Hurricanes defeated Avon Grove 6-5 in nine innings in the first round this past Monday night back at DeSales. They now advance to meet North Penn in the state quarterfinals on Thursday.

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first, and has had a solid year with a team-high 37 RBIs. Unfortunately, Bohm now has a hamstring issue that could plague him longer than expected.

As for the 30-year-old Walker, he hasn't lived up to his \$18 million salary with his 4-3, 5.65 slate. Neither Aaron Nola nor Zack Wheeler have found their groove, even though each has shown flashes of their capabilities.

Matt Strahm arguably has been the team's most consistent starter, but he has lacked run support. Ranger Suarez is back from his injury, but he has struggled in the early going. The overall team ERA is 4.61.

This is a staff without starters Kyle Gibson who won 10 games last year. (Gibson is 7-3 this year with Baltimore, and the free agent signee has been a big part of the Orioles' success) and Zach Eflin, who battled through injuries and health issues, managed to appear in 13 games with three victories (Eflin is 7-1 with Tampa). Youngster Bailey Falter had a breakout year.

This year's team has been searching for reliable fourth and fifth starters. Falter couldn't find his mark early and was sent to Lehigh Valley, but he had a recent quality start with the Iron Pigs.

The bullpen has been more effective with a 3.92 ERA and has issued 21 home runs. Craig Kimbrel and Seranthony Dominguez have been rounding into shape.

As for the team's offense without Hoskins, they were hitting a modest .255. Kyle Schwarber has a team-high 15 homers, but he has been deemed the team villain with an average basically below .150. Unfortunately, Schwarber is the lone Phillie with double-digit homers.

Nick Castellanos has raised his bar to a .315 average with 34 RBIs, yet Bryce Harper only has three homers despite his .298 average.

Thomson's job security reportedly isn't an issue with Phillies' brass. The players are behind him. Still, if the club continues to falter

and the expectations stay high, it will be interesting to see what happens at the All-Star break.

From Brooklyn, the Bronx, to LA: if you were a child of the 50s, you remember the Brooklyn Dodgers and their rivalry with the Yankees. When the Dodgers moved West, the rivalry stayed on the same track.

If you were a child of the 70s, there were plenty of memories between the two teams of great postseason showings in the late 70s and early 80s. It was some memorable, postseason baseball between the two in true Broadway/Hollywood style.

In the 1977 World Series Game Two between the Dodgers and Yankees, ABC briefly cut away to show a fire burning a building in the Bronx, and the "Bronx Was Burning" phrase and book title (a good baseball book) was born.

However, it was Game Six when Reggie Jackson hit three consecutive home runs that gave the Yanks the title. Howard Cossell had the legendary calls on ABC, and he added more hype to the event.

The following year, the teams met again in the Fall Classic, and the Dodgers staked themselves to 2-0 lead. However, Ron Guidry came back and sparked the Yanks. They won the next four games, and Bucky Dent won the MVP. Brian Doyle also was a viable candidate for the Bronx Bombers.

LA finally got their revenge in '81 behind Rookie-of-the-Year Fernando Valenzuela and a first-time co-MVP shared by Ron Cey, Pedro Guerrero, and Steve Yeager. This time around, the Yanks won the first two before the Dodgers won three one-run games, and then had a 9-2 victory at Yankee Stadium.

The Yanks' Dave Winfield was 1-for-22 in the series, and former Phillie Jay Johnstone had a key pinch-hit homer for LA in Game Four.

These current Yanks have won 11 of their last 16 games. Still, these were classic baseball lineups and matchups that captured our youth.

Does the Buck Stay

to take the lead before ultimately seeing it fade away.

Liberty now sets their focus on District One third-seed North Penn, who belted Hazleton 10-0 in five innings on Monday. Hazleton was the last team to beat Liberty

Here?: The Mets were swept by Toronto over the weekend, and they fell back to .500 with a 30-30 record.

They were 0-for-13 with runners in scoring position over their last two games and have scored 15 runs in their last six games.

Justin Verlander and Dan Scherzer have apparently overcome their injuries and woes. But the real issue has been the offense.

The team is hitting .241, third lowest in the league. Brandon Nimmo (.292) and Jeff McNeil (.287) are the only regulars hitting over .250. Pete Alonso has a league-high 21 homers and a fifth-high 47 RBIs. Francisco Lindor has a paltry .213 mark, and his 10 homers are the only double-digit total besides Alonso.

Catching prospect Francisco Alvarez has been slowly coming around, while other top prospect Mark Vientos has struggled. Now it's a matter if the Mets will move current top prospect Ronny Mauricio up to Triple-A for an eventual recall.

With a 101-win season last year and high expectations with a veteran club, Showalter could be under some pressure if his club is still scuffling at the All-Star break.

Like Thomson and the Phillies, this situation will be worth watching.

Flying Fish and Rattling Diamondbacks: Two of the most recent surprises have been Miami and Arizona.

The Marlins found themselves nestled in second place with a 32-28 record and 3.5 games behind Atlanta with first-year manager Skip Schumaker. Second baseman Luis Arraez leads the league with a .392 batting average and outfielder Jorge Soler has 17 homers.

The Diamondbacks (35-25) worked themselves into a tie with the Dodgers atop the NL West. For them, it has been pitching with Merrill Kelly and Zac Gillen, who are both 7-3. Lourdes Gurriel Jr. leads the team with a .310 average.

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during a 4-0 loss on April 24.

"Every state game will be like this," said Pitsilos. "We will be seeing tough pitching throughout so we have to limit mistakes and take advantage of situations when they arise."

## LV baseball Cup roster announced

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The Lehigh Valley Carpenter Cup roster was announced last week as the team gets ready for their first game on June 13 against defending champion Tri-Cape at 9 a.m.

The 16-team regional all-star event pits some of the best players from the Tri-State area in the Phillies sponsored event, where they need to win their first two games of the tournament in order to reach the semifinals and finals at Citizens Bank Park.

The opening rounds of the single elimination event take place at Richie Ashburn Field at FDR Park, before the tournament moves to the Phillies home field on June 26 and 27.

Bethlehem Catholic has three players on the roster led by Eric Wert (OF), Brayden Rader (IF) and Collin Peacock (OF). Liberty's Noah

Gyauch-Quirk (P-OF) is on the team as well.

The complete roster is below.

Aiden Butz, Jr., OF, Nazareth  
Jake Dally, Sr., IF-P, Nazareth  
Rocco DelGiudice, So., IF, Poc. Mt., East  
Noah Gyauch-Quirk, Jr., P-OF, Liberty  
Adam Horvath, Jr., OF-P, Poc. Mt. East  
Chase Kilareski, So. OF-P, Nazareth  
Nathan Loch, Sr., IF, Pleasant Valley  
Matthew Merced, Sr., IF-DH, Northampton  
Ben Mostosky, Sr., P-IF, Pleasant Valley  
Nate Mostosky, Sr., P-IF, Pleasant Valley  
Owen Ness, Sr., IF, Whitehall  
Joshua Ossiander, Sr., IF-P, Allentown CCHS  
Griffin Patridge, Sr., C-DH, Allentown CCHS  
Collin Peacock, So., OF, Bethlehem Catholic  
Brayden Rader, Jr., IF, Bethlehem Catholic

Matt Rader, So., P-IF, Whitehall

Brad Rissmiller, Jr., P-IF, Pen Argyl  
Aaron Schneider, Jr., C-OF, Allen  
Cole Serfass, Sr., C-DH, Palmerton  
Evan Shak, So., IF, Nazareth  
Jack Smale, Sr., OF, Pleasant Valley  
Zack Smethers, Sr., IF-P, Nazareth  
Gavin Sopko, Sr., P-OF, Pocono Mt. East  
Rocky Viscito, Sr., P-OF, Saucon Valley  
Ron Werkheiser, Sr., C-DH, Saucon Valley  
Eric Wert, Sr., OF, Bethlehem Catholic  
Alternates  
Dylan Fosko, Sr., IF, Northampton  
John Pushkar, Jr., IF, Catasauqua  
Jack Fitzgerald, So., IF, Nazareth  
Charles Hahn, So., P-IF, Allentown CCHS  
Cole Hubert, So., OF, Saucon Valley

## Valley announces softball Cup team

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The roster for Lehigh Valley's Carpenter Cup softball team has been announced by head coach Brian Fehnel that includes 13 rising juniors and seniors from District XI.

Rising seniors are Ariana Castillo (Liberty), Sydney Frantz (Palmerton), Autumn Held (Emmaus), Hailey Pyle (Bethlehem Catholic), Sage Toman (Northwestern Lehigh), Kate Yadush (Whitehall), Brianna Amey (Emmaus), Carly Gaffney (Palmerton), Aubrey Steiner (Whitehall), and Delaney Troxell (Catasauqua).

Rising juniors are Alina Weaver (Naza-

areth), Karlye Teman (Palisades), and Addison Sabo (Liberty).

Lehigh Valley's players will compete in the Carpenter Cup Softball Classic, a tournament sponsored by the Philadelphia Phillies, on June 20 and 21 at FDR Park in Philadelphia.

Pitchers for Lehigh Valley are Teman, Held, Pyle, Gaffney, and Troxell.

Catchers are Toman and Steiner.

Playing the infield are Weaver, Castillo, Yadush, and Amey, and playing in the outfield are Frantz, Sabo, Toman, and Held.

Assisting Coach Fehnel are Ricky Sechler, Bill Held, and Kelly Du-

laney. Lehigh Valley will face teams from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware in the tournament, which is also a showcase for college coaches.

The teams will be divided into four brackets, and the top two teams from each bracket will advance to quarterfinals.

Lehigh Valley is in Bracket D, along with Olympic Colonial, Inter-AC, and Burlington County.

In preparation for the Carpenter Cup Softball Classic, Lehigh Valley will scrimmage the Patriettes 23U team in a doubleheader beginning at 6 p.m. on June 14 at Patriots Park in Allentown.

### MARSHALL HONORED

Moravian University sophomore Wyatt Marshall (Liberty HS) has been selected to the 2023 College Sports Communicators (CSC) Academic All-District Men's Tennis Team for NCAA Division III schools.

To be eligible for CSC Academic All-America® honors, a student-athlete must maintain at least a 3.50 grade-point average, be a sophomore, junior or senior and be a starter or significant reserve. Moravian has had 56 Greyhounds named CSC Academic

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By making the All-District Team, Marshall was forwarded onto the national ballot to try for CSC Academic All-America® accolades. This year is the inaugural year for the Tennis Academic All-America Teams with the sport being part of the At-Large program until 2023.

Marshall, a marketing major and management minor with a 3.87 grade-point average, helped the Greyhounds to a program record 16 wins this season as

Moravian went 16-5 overall and was 5-2 in Landmark Conference action to make the postseason as the third seed in the Landmark Conference Tournament. Marshall had a 12-4 singles mark and a 15-4 slate in doubles action this year, and he is 19-6 in two singles in singles action and 21-10 in doubles contests. He's been a member of the Moravian Dean's Honors List three times and will be on the 2023 Landmark Conference Spring Academic Honor Roll.

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fly by Tommy Mason and then tied the game up with Noah Gyauch-Quirk scoring on a wild pitch.

Avon Grove scored three runs in the sixth

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**Surgeon General declares 'epidemic of isolation'**

BY THERESA O'BRIEN  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

In mid-May, U.S. Surgeon General Vivek Murthy issued an advisory titled, "Our Epidemic of Loneliness and Isolation." The advisory notes that several indicators of isolation are higher in the U.S. than in the past; points out statistical associations between self-reported isolation and poor physical health outcomes, such as heart attack and stroke; and sets forth six "pillars": areas in which Dr. Murthy believes federally funded action will improve Americans' social interconnectedness.

Murthy's first pillar is "Strengthen social infrastructure in local communities," which he defines as increasing funding for government-run programs like public transportation and local libraries, as well as increasing the number of parks and public recreational facilities. Murthy also notes that volunteering and attending church can increase people's sense of connection.

The second large action area is "Enact pro-connection public policies." Murthy's explanation of this pillar centers on federal agencies monitoring their own actions and ensuring that they don't increase social isolation or worsen disparities across demographic groups. "[G]overnment has a responsibility," Murthy writes, "to use its authority to monitor and mitigate the public health harm caused by policies, products, and services that drive social disconnection."

"Mobilize the health sector,"

the third area of focus, involves tasking medical professionals and para-professionals with monitoring social isolation. A major challenge to this step is the sheer lack of healthcare workers to be mobilized. The average length of a primary care visit is 18 minutes, and has been declining for years, according to the American Public Health Association and the Annals of Family Medicine. Thirty-seven percent of the U.S. population lives in an area deemed a Mental Health Professional Shortage Area by the Health Resources and Services Administration. One-quarter of primary care practitioners surveyed in 2022 reported plans to exit the workforce; more details of the ongoing "great resignation" in medicine are available from JAMA here: [doi:10.1001/jama.2022.5074](https://doi.org/10.1001/jama.2022.5074)

The fourth pillar, "Reform digital environments," focuses on setting up "safety standards" for the internet, including "age-related protections for young people." The federal government successfully limited some individuals' ability to be heard on large online platforms when agencies, including the FBI and the Dept. of Defense, asked companies like Twitter to ban some users, including journalists Matt Taibbi and Alex Berenson, in 2020 and 2021. Although effective in marshaling online vendors' "trust and safety" functions to reduce the public's exposure to dissenting views, the legality of the practice is currently being explored in the courts. Taibbi testified in March 2023 in Congress about the

joint federal-Twitter censorship apparatus; Twitter settled with Berenson in 2022; hearings for Berenson v. Biden have not yet been scheduled.

Murthy has labeled young people's use of social media apps particularly deleterious to their mental health; critics like UCSF epidemiology professor Vinay Prasad have noted that Murthy's own policies led to increased use of social media by kids and teens. "School closures and preventing teens from interacting," Dr. Prasad commented in a May 24 op-ed, "increased online social media use, particularly in lieu of in-person interactions." The problems Murthy highlights, Prasad argues, are a "consequence of (or at least worsened by) the policies he supported when he advised candidate Biden, and the policies his administration enacted." Prasad further notes that research has not demonstrated the benignity of heavy online use that excludes social media; spending hours alone online on a smartphone may be damagingly isolating.

"Deepen our knowledge" – pillar five – is Murthy's plea for additional funding for research into "social connection and disconnection," as well as campaigns to educate the public that loneliness and social isolation can be harmful. "Cultivate a culture of connection," the final pillar, is a request that individuals, particularly "influencers," promote values of kindness and respect, including through media and entertainment.

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State Rep. Jeanne McNeill

McNeill announced that more than \$2.1 million in state funding was awarded to support local improvement projects in her district through the Commonwealth Finance Authority.

According to McNeill, \$1.4 million was awarded locally through the CFA Multimodal Transportation Fund. The awards include \$1.15 million for the Lehigh-Northampton Airport Authority, Hanover Township, for road safety and accessibility improvements; \$150,000 for the construction of a section of the Delaware and Lehigh Trail from Hanover Canal Park to St. Luke's Center; and \$50,047 to the Bor-

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**Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star**

Dads around the world read and sing to their children.

Here are the words to this well known song in four different languages! Can you try to sing them all?

**English**

Twinkle, twinkle little star,  
How I wonder what you are.  
Up above the world so high,  
Like a diamond in the sky,  
Twinkle, twinkle, little star,  
How I wonder what you are!

**Spanish**

Brilla, brilla, estrellita  
Quiero verte cintilar  
En el cielo sobre el mar  
Un diamante de verdad  
Brilla, brilla estrellita  
Quiero verte cintilar.

**French**

Brille, brille, petite étoile  
Dis-moi, dis-moi, qui tu es  
Tout en haut du firmament  
Tu as l'éclat d'un diamant.  
Brille, brille, petite étoile,  
Dis-moi, dis-moi, qui tu es.

**German**

Funkel, funkel kleiner stern  
Ach wie bist du mir so fern,  
Wunderschön und unbekannt,  
Wie ein strahlend Diamant,  
Funkel, funkel, kleiner Stern,  
Ach wie bist du mir so fern.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Read grade-level appropriate text.

**Just Dad and Me**

Make a list of things you could do with your dad or another special person one afternoon. Then go do them together!

# Celebrate Dads!

Not all dads look the same. Not all dads do the same things. But some things about dads are the same the world over. Read about these dads. How are they like your dad? How are they different?

**Where's my dad?**

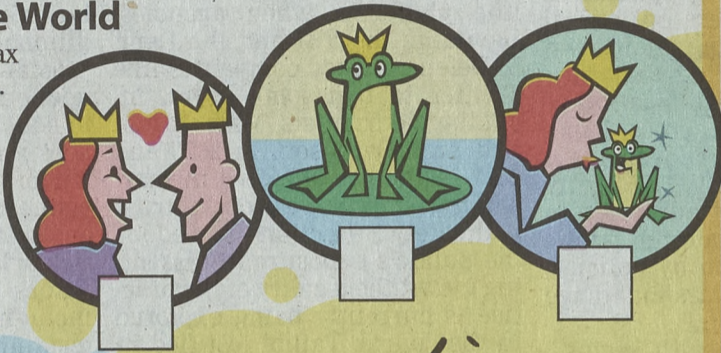
Match each dad with his child. Do the math to see if you guessed right.

18 + 3 =	9 + 6 =	14 + 7 =	6 + 6 =
8 + 4 =	4 + 12 =	8 + 7 =	9 + 7 =

Standards Link: Number Sense: Compute sums to 30.

**Dads Around the World**

Some dads tell stories. Max and his dad live in France. His dad tells Max his favorite French stories. Look at the pictures from the story. Can you put them in order?



**Not Just Dads**

On Father's Day, people show their appreciation to their fathers, grandfathers, stepfathers, foster fathers, uncles and other men who have been like fathers. Write the names of three men you appreciate.

Some dads teach children many things. In China, Soo Lee's dad teaches her to write. Can you read what she has written? (Read from top to bottom.)

我  
愛  
你

我 魚 您 貓 狗 愛  
I Fish You Cat Dog Love

**Hooray for Dads!**

Dads all around the world love their children and help them to feel good!

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Compare and contrast information on the same topic.



**What I Learned From Dad**

Look through the newspaper for five words that tell something you have learned from your dad. Put the words in ABC order.

Standards Link: Spelling: Arrange words in alphabetical order.

**Father's Day Around the World**

Though they differ on the date, many countries throughout the world set aside a day to honor fathers. Father's Day is a time-honored tradition—the earliest record of such a celebration was found in the ruins of ancient Babylon.

Modern Father's Day traditions include serving dad breakfast in bed, making cards and giving gifts of candy, neckties, shirts or electronic gadgets. But even more common is the tradition of particular activities that kids and fathers do together on this special day.

**Shirt Scramble**

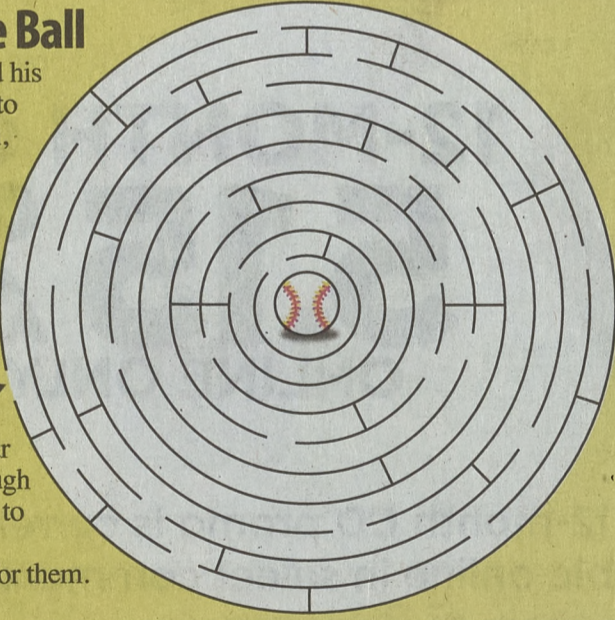
Megan's dad got a new golf shirt for Father's Day. Which one is it? Her dad likes stripes, but not narrow ones. He doesn't like pockets on his shirts. He doesn't care for zig-zag patterns.



**Kid Scoop Puzzler**

**On the Ball**

Kevin and his dad want to play catch, but they can't seem to find their baseball.



Work your way through this maze to find the baseball for them.

**Double Double Word Search**

- DAD
- DIFFERENT
- HONOR
- AWARD
- MESSAGES
- FRANCE
- CHINA
- ANGELES
- SLEEP
- UNCLE
- SPECIAL
- POSTED
- ESSAY
- MUSICIAN

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

T L A I C E P S M H  
D A A N H K I E U N  
E N D G I A S L S L  
T G D R N S E R I E  
S E A D A D S O C L  
O L D G S W S N I C  
P E E L S S A O A N  
O S M U C R Y H N U  
H D I F F E R E N T

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

**Kid Scoo-doku™**

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word FATHER in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.

T	H	F	R	A	E
		A			
		T			
		H	R		
R	E				
	F	R			H

**FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY**

**Thank You, Dad!**

Cut out pictures and words from the newspaper and design a "Thank You" ad for a special dad, granddad or uncle. Be sure to tell why you are thanking him!

Standards Link: Writing Applications: Write brief expository description to present unified impressions of people.



**Do fathers always snore?**

ANSWER: No—only when they are asleep!

**Write On!**

**A Special Man**

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**DESK**

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ough of Fountain Hill for the purchase of a new police patrol vehicle. The Multimodal Transportation Fund provides grants to encourage economic development and ensure that a safe and reliable system of transportation is available to the residents of the commonwealth.

Due to staffing changes, McNeill's Fountain Hill Borough Hall office will be closed until further notice. For assistance, visit the district office, 1080 Schadt Ave., Whitehall; or call 610 266-1273.

**SEPTA card**  
For seniors age 65 and older who travel to Philadelphia, the district office takes applications for the free rides SEPTA Senior Fare Card. Apply electronically and get your picture taken. The card will be mailed. Expected delivery time is two to three weeks. For information, visit facebook.com/RepMcNeill.

**Veteran information**  
The veteran's outreach program monthly meeting is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 19 at the district office, 1080 Schadt Ave., Whitehall. There is information on education, health care and death benefits. A veterans assistance specialist from the American Legion will be on hand. For appointments, call 610-266-1273. More information: visit www.facebook.com/RepMcNeill/.

McNeill has reintroduced legislation that would protect animals from inhumane conditions propagated by the puppy mill industry. Under McNeill's legislation (H.B. 846), known as Victoria's Law, Pennsylvania's pet market would be driven toward more humane sources, such as shelters, rescues and responsible breeders. It would also protect pet seekers from misleading sales tactics, stop the sale of puppy mill dogs, cats and rabbits, and require advertisers to include license numbers on their advertisements so that consumers have access to information on both responsible and unscrupulous breeders.

**State Rep. Bob Freeman**  
State Rep. Robert Freeman is introducing legislation that would provide high school students with academic credit for tutoring elementary school children.

The legislation would require the state Board of Education to establish a tutoring program, which would provide academic credit to students in grades 11 and 12 for tutoring pupils in grades one to six.

School districts would be able to implement the program at little or no cost to taxpayers, and it would enhance academic performance for both the students being tutored and the students providing the tutoring, Freeman said.

House Bill 100 was referred to the House Education Committee for consideration.

Freeman has announced that the Commonwealth Financing Authority approved more than \$2.65 million in grants for projects in his Northampton County legislative district.

The awards include \$620,600 for construction and engineering costs to build a Freemansburg Borough community center. The proposed project is a 7,200 square foot facility that would provide the community with an indoor space for events, fitness and exercise programs, walking track, weekend farmers' market, snack stand and restroom facilities that will enhance the experience at several borough-sponsored events; \$200,000 for vehicular and pedestrian safety improvements along Main and Washington streets, Freemansburg; \$396,767 for improvements at Gregory Park, located at the intersection of Third Avenue and Easton Road, Hellertown Borough. The existing basketball court was constructed approximately 65 years ago and is in deteriorating condition. This project involves demolishing the existing basketball court, playground equipment and fencing to install a half-court sized basketball play area with fencing, new playground equipment with mulching to complement the existing swing set, and an ADA path from the court to the sidewalk. Site amenities such as benches, a bike rack, recycling and trash receptacles and street trees will also be installed; and \$200,000 to replace the old and damaged Tot Lot B playground equipment located at the Town Hall Park, Lower Saucon Township. The new equipment geared for six-to-12-year-olds will replace damaged equipment that no longer has replacement parts available for purchase. The township will purchase and install the new playground structure and purchase ADA-compliant rubber mulch and swing mats.

The funding was awarded through the Multimodal Transportation Fund and State Local Share Account that are administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

**U.S. Senator Bob Casey**  
Casey (D-PA), Chairman of the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging, as well as Senators Susan Collins (R-ME) and Sherrod Brown (D-OH), are introducing the Grandfamily Housing Act, legislation that would improve housing for grandfamilies. Many grandparents and kinship caregivers step-in when parents are no longer able to care for their children and often live in intergenerational housing units. The Grandfamily Housing Act would provide grants to enable housing providers to make retrofitting and accessibility improvements to intergenerational housing to best support the needs of older adults raising children. These grants would also enable providers to offer onsite services like afterschool programming, tutoring, and health care services. U.S. Representatives Jim McGovern (D-MA-2) and Ayanna Pressley (D-MA-7) will introduce companion legislation in the House.

Read more about the Grandfamily Housing Act at [aging.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/the\\_grandfamily\\_housing\\_act.pdf](https://aging.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/the_grandfamily_housing_act.pdf).

Casey and Senator John Fetterman (D-PA), along with U.S. Senators Sherrod Brown (D-OH), JD Vance (R-OH), Marco Rubio (R-FL) and Josh Hawley (R-MO) introduced the bipartisan Railway Safety Act of 2023 to prevent future train disasters like the derailment that devastated East Palestine, Ohio, and Darlington Township, Pennsylvania. The bill will take key steps to improve rail safety protocols, such as enhancing safety procedures for trains carrying hazardous materials, establishing requirements for wayside defect detectors, creating a permanent requirement for railroads to operate with at least two-person crews, increasing fines for wrongdoing committed by rail carriers, and more.

Casey has introduced three bills to make education more accessible to students with disabilities and help ensure their safety at school. These policies would make transitions to postsecondary education smoother, campus emergency procedures more accurate, accessible and inclusive of students with disabilities, improve training for school security and staff and develop stronger federal oversight and support.

Casey and Senator Fetterman have announced \$265,913,000 in federal funding from the Environmental Protection Agency to make Pennsylvania's drinking water safer and cleaner. The funding, bolstered by the Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act, will remove contaminants - like Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances - from the water supply and improve water infrastructure by replacing lead pipes.



PRESS PHOTOS BY MARK KIRLIN

Monica Bugbee of Northampton makes a running start to get her kite airborne. Despite low winds, several managed to get their kites up in the air.

# Kite Day at the park

BY MARK KIRLIN  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The 31st annual Kite Day in the Park was held at Louis Moore Park in Easton Saturday, May 6. The event was in partnership with the Lehigh Valley Kite Society and Pocono Kite Symphony and sponsored by Northampton County Parks & Recreation. The weather was warm, with sunny clear skies. Kite Day was an opportunity for people of all ages to fly their kites in the park. Other activities included kite flying lessons, kite building workshops, kite sales, merchandise and raffle ticket sales. This year's event honored Andy Gelinas, who passed away in 2021. Andy founded the Lehigh Valley Kite Society in 1991 and the Pocono Kite Society in 2008.



Kevin Heilman of Bethlehem holds his kite while it flies behind him.



Karen of Easton assists young Evelyne with her butterfly kite. The event was a great opportunity to have fun for all age groups.

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MAMA'S MUSINGS

Alone

Recently my son James performed with the Young Playwrights Lab at Touchstone Theatre. It was exciting. There were lots of rehearsals, and I was so happy and looking forward to the performance.

I ended up with four tickets to the show. Three went unused. James' older brother had to work the night of the show. So did his father. James' older sister caught COVID. So I went with James to the pre-show rehearsal. I sat with the actors until they went backstage. Then I went to use the bathroom.

Unfortunately when I returned, the door was being set up. I had to leave the auditorium and get in line to go back in. It was awkward.

Ahead of me and behind me in line were little family groups. Some held bouquets. I felt lonely.

Even back inside the auditorium, the seat I wound up it was separated on either side by empty seats. One person near me asked if I was saving seats. I wasn't. It felt strange.

Then I found myself missing my mother. Even six months ago, she could not have attended, but I would have been texting her updates about the show. I found myself wondering if her phone was still active.

Finally the show started, and I sat back and enjoyed every minute of it.

When the show concluded, I could see James on the stage, looking for me where I had been sitting earlier. I waved and hollered until he saw me. He had to go back downstairs to change. That wait was not so bad, as there were a few people around but most had left. He reappeared in his street clothes, and we left. I found myself happy to be going home.

I understood then why my mother used to drag me places when I was a young adult.

As an introvert, I generally don't mind a bit of alone time. But not having anyone to share the play experience with me was just a bit lonely.



By Lani Goins

MEMORIAL DAY

Vietnam veterans remembered



U.S. Marine Robert Hawke plays "Taps" with members of the Vietnam War Veterans of the Patriot Guard Riders in the background. PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

About 75 Bethlehem area residents gathered at the Vietnam Memorial at city hall on Memorial Day to remember and honor the 35 whose names are engraved on it. The short remembrance service is coordinated by the Marine Corps League Bethlehem Detachment #284, and was emceed by Detachment #284 Commandant Douglas Graves. Guest speaker, Bethlehem Councilwoman Rachel Leon, a U.S. Navy veteran, related the impact that making

the ultimate sacrifice has on comrades in arms. Each name listed on the memorial was mentioned, an individual photo presented, and a memorial bell rung once. Participants included Reverend Suzanne Trump, who gave an invocation, Freedom HS senior Sophia Tremblar, who sang the National Anthem, John Bauer who sang an armed forces medley, Robert Hawke, who performed "Taps," and Liberty HS piper Elifah Quan, who played "Amazing Grace."



Santo Montecalvo, Executive Director of the Citizens Crime Commission of the Delaware Valley; Lehigh County District Attorney Jim Martin and John Appledorn, President of the Citizens Crime Commission of the Delaware Valley.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

DA Martin earns innovation award

District Attorney Jim Martin was honored by the Citizens Crime Commission of the Delaware Valley May 23 with the Inaugural Award for Law Enforcement Innovation and Leadership Excellence.

This was the first presentation of the award at the 42nd annual Law Enforcement Appreciation Day luncheon at the Bellevue Hotel in Philadelphia.

Deibert Group President Matthew Deibert noted Martin's six terms as district attorney and Martin's "vision to implement cutting-edge technologies and leading impactful community collaborations to increase the effectiveness and sustainability of law enforcement."

Martin also developed the Lehigh County Regional Intelligence and Investigation Center, which began operations in 2013. The center is directed by Julia Kocis, who manages the center's personnel and consultants from Computer Aid Inc. The RIIC integrates data from all police departments in the county, as well as data from Northampton County. The center consolidated access to dozens of local, state and federal databases in one electronic crime-fighting resource, which has assisted in the investigation of numerous crimes and has dramatically enhanced the ability of law enforcement agencies to solve crimes. The RIIC has partnered with

Homeland Security Investigations in Washington, D.C., which is using its Gang Intelligence System for tracking transnational gangs.

Deibert said, "In my opinion, the best example of DA Martin's leadership and vision is the successful implementation of the RIIC. In establishing the RIIC, Jim brought the same technology that powers the New York City Real-Time Crime Center to Lehigh County," he wrote.

"Since its inception, the RIIC has been an indispensable asset to our region's ability to fight crime, apprehend criminals and protect the public. It allows for the coordination of vital information between different law enforcement entities; essential to ensure public safety, pursue leads and solve crimes. The RIIC is a scalable technology solution that other Pennsylvania counties can utilize and should be given serious consideration by law enforcement leadership in Pennsylvania."

Martin said, "I am honored to have received this recognition from the Citizens Crime Commission of the Delaware Valley and accept it also on behalf of Julia Kocis, director of the RIIC, and our partners at Computer Aid Inc. Both have contributed greatly to the success of the center and to law enforcement in the Lehigh Valley."



The Vietnam Memorial on East Church Street contains the names of 35 Bethlehem area servicemen who lost their lives in the Vietnam War.



Liberty HS Grenadier Band piper Elifah Quan performs "Amazing Grace."

Memorial Day Parade and service

BY DANA GRUBB  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Bethlehem's annual Memorial Day parade and remembrance service in the Memorial Park Cemetery drew hundreds of area residents under a blue and sunny morning sky on May 29. The United Veterans and American Legion Post 379, under the leadership of president Ken Nichol, and the Le-

high Valley Military Affairs Council coordinated the event with support from the City of Bethlehem. The Marine Corps League Detachment led attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. The Liberty High School Grenadier Band and Bethlehem American Legion Band performed the "Star Spangled Banner." Recitations were read by Lehigh Valley Acade-

my Regional Charter School students Harper Turner, Jaime Gladden, Jade Taylor and Easton Rowohit. Local elected officials, Mayor J. William Reynolds, Northampton County Executive Lamont McClure and State Representative Steve Samuelson addressed those attending. "Think about hearts that no longer beat," said McClure, referencing the many who

gave their lives serving our country in the military. Major General Jerry Still urged everyone to remember the homefront's sacrifices to support our military during armed conflict. Ken Nichol placed a wreath in honor of the Blue Star Mothers and the American Legion Post 379 rifle squad fired a 21-gun salute, followed by Ralph Brodt playing "Taps" at the end of the service.



Bethlehem area scouting groups march past and present the American Flag.



Musicians conduct "Taps over Bethlehem" gathered in Memorial Park Cemetery to play The Navy Hymn, "Eternal Father."



Harper Turner, a student at the Lehigh Valley Regional Charter School, recites President Abraham Lincoln's "Gettysburg Address."

## CHARTER HS FOR THE ARTS

At Charter Arts, May is widely known as the busiest month of the school year. This year was no different. Filled with standardized testing days, performances and bittersweet goodbyes, May is, in many ways, the last hurrah for our seniors. As a senior myself, May has been incredibly exciting for me. Planning out the next steps in my life, committing to college, preparing for graduation, the whole thing feels immensely gratifying. But it's also sad, in the way all endings are. May is the month for us seniors to take all we've learned, all we've grown artistically, and showcase our achievements. It's the culmination of all of our hard work.



Zoe Lachter

The month immediately began with the Spring Choral Concert. The concert featured the 9/10 Choir, 11/12 Choir, Treble Choir and Touring Choir. The finale tied together the whole event, showcasing every singer in the show. A diverse set of musical genres was involved, such as gospel, jazz, chant, folk song, spiritual and modern choral repertoire. The week, which began with the choral concert, ended with the Spring Instrumental Concert. The instrumental concert included the Wind Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, Orchestra, and Guitar Ensemble. It was certainly a musical week, to say the least.

The following week, after several days of AP testing, the school put on the final dance performance of the year, Dance Quilt, on May 12 and 13. The show highlighted faculty and guest choreographers, as well as select student choreographers. This performance was especially impactful for the seniors involved. "Since I was a senior, it was super fun and I felt so grateful to be a part of such a talented group of people for my last show with Charter Arts," says student Rylye Barr. "I was in *Weak in the Knees* and *Sunburst*, a jazz and ballet piece respectively. They were both so different, but beautiful in their own ways, and I couldn't have asked for better dances to be cast in."

The next two weeks were sprinkled with Keystone exams and performances. The senior vocalists and instrumentalists put on beautiful final showcases, presenting a culmination of years of intensive musical training and dedication. Finally, the last performance of the month was the Senior Literary Arts Showcase. Each senior literary artist worked throughout the entire year to create a senior project. Students produced films, novels and poetry collections. The night included both "booths" to showcase each project, as well as a reading of excerpts. "The variety of senior projects at Senior Night this year was incredible, as was the number of seniors who used more than one genre to create multifaceted projects," says Literary Arts Department Director, Kristen Liemberger. "I also cannot overstate the quality of these projects. They were professional caliber. I am honored to have worked with such talented artists through their times of inspiration and their times of struggle. Writing is an art that is often solitary and often goes without recognition. Nights such as Senior Night allow students to see the culmination of the hours spent behind a computer screen or buried in a journal and to share it with their artistic community and their families. I join in recognizing them for their talent and their dedication."

Seniors and Juniors enjoyed a magical night at prom 2023, which was themed Victorian Masquerade. And just like that, May was over. In what feels like the blink of an eye, we have gone from our first days of school, where summer sighs into autumn, to our final exams, our tearful goodbyes, our graduation and plans for the future. As artists, we will likely never feel like our work is "complete". But, as far as endings go, this one feels pretty close to perfect.



PRESS PHOTOS BY ED COURRIER

At left, Valeska Fichter from Lehigh Valley Academy Regional Charter School celebrates with student actors from 28 other schools after the Freddy Awards closing number. She played Gaston in her school's production of "Disney's Beauty and the Beast." See more photos on Page A16.

## Lights shine on 2023 Freddy Awards

BY ED COURRIER  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Student thespians from Lehigh Valley area high schools gathered under the State Theatre spotlights for the 2023 Freddy Awards May 25.

Musical productions from both Liberty and Freedom high schools celebrated wins.

The Freddy Award for Outstanding Production Number was presented to Liberty's production

of "How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying" for their energetic "Brotherhood of Man" scene.

Freedom's "Disney's Beauty and the Beast" garnered the Freddy for Outstanding Use of Scenery.

Freddy nominees Ja'nyia Campbell from Lehigh Valley Academy's "Disney's Beauty and the Beast" and Kayla Luybli from Saucon Valley's "Mary Poppins"

were each awarded a three-week scholarship for the Pennsylvania Youth Ballet/Ballet Guild of the Lehigh Valley Summer Dance Intensive.

As a contender for Outstanding Overall Production of a Musical, Freedom's talented cast entertained the audience with a performance of "Be Our Guest."

Liberty graduate Rebekah "Bex" Vermuelen attended as a presenter.

Vermuelen had won her Freddy for Outstanding Performance by an Actress in a Leading Role for her portrayal of Maria Rainer in Liberty's "The Sound of Music" last year.

Student actors from all 29 participating schools sang and danced across the stage for the opening and closing numbers. A Lehigh Valley Academy Regional Charter School made its first Freddy appearance.

## SCHOOL NEWS

**FINAL WEEK OF SCHOOL YEAR JUNE 5-8:** All BASD schools will conclude the school year with a half day for all students tomorrow. High schools will dismiss at 11 a.m. Middle schools will dismiss at 11:30 a.m. Elementary schools will dismiss at noon.

**VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE MURAL:** Two BASD art teachers, Donegan ES's Tiffany Anderson and Northeast MS's Carla Majczan, will be painting a mural on a staircase on the Southside, and they need your help! Visit [docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd-3Lu3uY47TKh14H7DTAcgrp1Zfy4pM-9fEXOX98nL4PXfrbg/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd-3Lu3uY47TKh14H7DTAcgrp1Zfy4pM-9fEXOX98nL4PXfrbg/viewform) to vote for your favorite mural.

**ENGINEERING CAMP FOR MS GIRLS:** Lehigh University will hold a one week Engineering Camp for girls. Spots are limited and scholarships are available. For more information contact [cw219@lehigh.edu](mailto:cw219@lehigh.edu)

**FIT FOR LIFE SUMMER PROGRAM:** Fit for Life is offering four weeks of summer programming for students entering grades 5 and 6. From June 19 to July 21, 9 a.m. to noon daily. Locations are Northeast MS and Broughal MS. All students will receive breakfast and lunch and a Fit for Life T-shirt. To register visit [forms.gle/B38ubxkW69XWdLg8](https://forms.gle/B38ubxkW69XWdLg8)

**MINI PATES CHEERLEADING CAMP:** For students entering grades K-8. Camp will run from June 27 to 29 from 4-6 p.m. To register, visit [forms.gle/TBsRYJhV5h1crkQ8](https://forms.gle/TBsRYJhV5h1crkQ8) Send questions to [fhscheerboosterclub@gmail.com](mailto:fhscheerboosterclub@gmail.com)

**SOCCER CAMP 2023:** The Liberty HS Soccer Club will host camps for students who will enter grades 1-7 in the fall. Camps will be held at Nitschmann MS. There will be morning camps from June 19-22. Evening Camp will be from July 17-20. Cost for each week is \$50. For more information visit [badschools.org](https://badschools.org), or email [LHSC@ptd.net](mailto:LHSC@ptd.net)

**FIELD HOCKEY CAMP 2023:** For students entering grades K-8. Any seventh and eighth grade players who have limited experience and plan to join their school's team in the fall are encouraged to attend. All registrations must be completed by June 2. To register go to: [forms.gle/xXPMsvnj3VyDe4K19](https://forms.gle/xXPMsvnj3VyDe4K19)

### SECONDARY SCHOOLS

**NEW GRADING SYSTEM FOR GRADES 6-12:** Bethlehem Area School District is updating its Report Card Grading system for grades 6-12 beginning in the 2023-24 school year.

"The updated report card represents our primary aim: to improve our communication about student achievement towards learning goals with you." For more information on the report card updates, visit the BASD website at Educational Programs Office site: [pa50000490.schoolwires.net/page/95](https://pa50000490.schoolwires.net/page/95)

**FOOD DISTRIBUTION AT NORTHEAST MS:** On the second Saturday of each month, from 10 a.m. to noon, there will be a drive-through food distribution at Northeast MS, 1170 Fernwood St. The distribution is open to families of BASD students. The next distribution will be on Saturday June 10.

**BETHLEHEM HEALTH DEPARTMENT OFFERS STUDENT VACCINATIONS:** Vaccinations are required for all students, with specific vaccinations needed for students entering the seventh and 12th grades. To schedule a vaccination for your child, contact the Bethlehem Health Department at 610-865-7083.

**LIBERTY HS SENIOR ANGEL GAETAN RECEIVES BLUE LINE SCHOLARSHIP:** The Bethlehem Police Department named Liberty HS Senior Angel Gaetan its Blue Line Scholarship awardee. The scholarship is open to both Freedom and Liberty HS seniors who intend to pursue a secondary education with a focus on a career in law enforcement. Angel attended Nitschmann



Freedom's Marion Keller solos as Belle from "Disney's Beauty and the Beast" during a medley of songs by fellow nominees for Outstanding Performance by an Actress in a Leading Role on Preview Night May 24.



Above: From center left, Jillian Potter (Chip), Tori Prostko (Mrs. Potts), Noah Zogheib (Lumiere) and Marion Keller (Belle) begin performing "Be Our Guest" from Freedom High School's "Disney's Beauty and the Beast."

Below: The entire Freedom HS Theatre Company turns out for a live performance of "Be Our Guest" from "Disney's Beauty and the Beast."



Connor Dinwiddie, in character as J. Pierrepont Finch from Liberty's "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," takes his turn with a solo as a Freddy nominee for Outstanding Performance by an Actor in a Leading Role.



From left, Leah Hann and Abby Shapiro are presented with the Freddy for Outstanding Use of Scenery for Freedom's production of "Disney's Beauty and the Beast."

**YOUR LOCAL WEATHER**

7 Day Forecast	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy
	77 / 49	76 / 50	75 / 51	82 / 56	85 / 60	83 / 56	79 / 54
	11-15 mph NW	10-11 mph NW	8-10 mph N	6-10 mph W	8-14 mph WSW	6-10 mph S	1-4 mph SSW

**FORECAST FOR LEHIGH VALLEY PENNSYLVANIA**

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a slight chance of showers, high temperature of 77°, humidity of 31%. Northwest wind 11 to 15 mph. The record high temperature for today is 98° set in 1925. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with a slight chance of showers, overnight low of 49°. Northwest wind 8 to 14 mph. The record low for tonight is 42° set in 1945. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers, high temperature of 76°, humidity of 39%. Northwest wind 11 mph. Thursday night, skies will be partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers, overnight low of 50°. North wind 8 to 11 mph. Friday, skies will be partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers, high temperature of 75°, humidity of 42%. North wind 10 mph.

**Weather Trivia**

Which U.S. city receives the most annual rainfall?



Answer: Yakutat, Alaska with over 151.25 inches of rain per year.

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MS before attending Liberty HS. Throughout his four years at Liberty he has been devoted to his academics and his community. Angel plans on attending Northampton County Community College, with the goal of one day becoming an officer with the City of Bethlehem Police Department.

**FREEDOM HS THEATRE COMPANY DONATES BOOKS TO COPS-N-KIDS:** The Freedom HS Theatre Company recently donated 667 books to the Cops 'n' Kids program!

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**

**CALYPSO ES SERENITY SUITE OPEN:** In partnership with St. Luke's, a Serenity Suite has been opened at Calypso ES.

**SPRING GARDEN ES GARDEN HELPERS NEEDED:** The Spring Garden ES PTO is looking for volunteers to take care of the Garden Club's vegetable garden, keeping it watered and weeded over the summer. To volunteer, visit the Spring Garden PTO page on Facebook. Or email Springgardenpto@gmail.com

**ArtsQuest showcases expansion**

ArtsQuest has announced the completion of the first phase of its ambitious Re-Imagine That! capital campaign at its grand re-opening event, held May 22, where they officially unveiled the renovated first floor of the ArtsQuest Center.

The revamped first floor boasts a spacious and modern layout, featuring the Palette & Pour Restaurant, a dining establishment with a full-service bar and seating for up to 118 guests. Additionally, the Williams-Brew stage, designed for open mic nights and smaller-scale entertainment, provides

a platform for emerging talent. The floor is also adorned with comfortable lounge-style seating, creating a welcoming ambiance for visitors.

The first floor encompasses various noteworthy spaces. These include The Gregg and Cindy Feinberg Welcome Center, paying homage to Boyle Construction, as well as Anne and Brad Baum's 'Baums Corner'. The Mike and Ike Box Office and an area dedicated to the Yee Family, which is currently under development, are among the other notable additions.

The capital campaign

comprises four pillars, with the renovation of the first floor being the inaugural milestone. The second pillar entails the construction of the state-of-the-art ArtsQuest Cultural Center, set to replace the existing Banana Factory. Spanning an impressive 74,000 square feet, this cutting-edge facility will become a vibrant western gateway to the Southside Arts District. It will offer expanded initiatives for all age groups, double the number of students it serves, and foster economic development and tourism.

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**2023 Freddy Awards**



At center, Bethlehem Catholic senior Eoin Egbert in costume as King from his school's production of "Rodgers and Hammerstein's Cinderella," joins other selected student actors from 28 other participating school productions, in performing the 2023 Freddy Awards opening number May 25.



From left, Tommy Fortsch and Tahlia Colon accept the Freddy Award for Outstanding Production Number on behalf of Liberty's "How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying" for its energetic "Brotherhood of Man" scene. Fortsch played Bud Frump and Colon was Rosemary Pilkington in the school's spring musical.

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**Freddy nominee Connor Dinwiddie (16)** is flanked by his friend Star Stauffer (18) and his mom Shelly Hever at the end of the Freddy Awards Preview Night May 24. Stauffer had acted in Liberty's "Sound of Music" the previous year and is currently attending Moravian University as a music education major.



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## Hey, 19

### SouthSide Film Festival back with global cinema

BY PAUL WILLISTEIN  
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The 19th SouthSide Film Festival gets underway with an opening reception June 13 and the opening screening of the documentary film, "Still Working 9 to 5."

The SSFF begins with a reception, 6:30 p.m. June 13, National Museum of Industrial History, 602 E. Third St., Bethlehem.

From there, in the SSFF tradition, there's a procession to the first screening, "Still Working 9 to 5," 7:30 p.m. June 13, Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts, 321 E. Third St., Bethlehem.

The annual festival brings films and filmmakers from around the United States and the world to Bethlehem.

The hit film comedy, "9 to 5," starring Jane Fonda, Dolly Parton, Lily Tomlin and Dabney Coleman, was released in 1980.

"Still Working 9 to 5," directed by Camille Hardman and Gary Lane, looks at inequality in the workplace. The documen-



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The movie, "9 to 5," its impact and the status of the workplace are the subjects of the documentary film, "Still Working 9 to 5," which opens the 19th SouthSide Film Festival, June 13-17, Bethlehem.

tary, which has received awards at film festivals, includes interviews with Jane Fonda, Rita Moreno, Allison Janney, Lily Tomlin, Dolly Parton, Dabney Coleman, Ann Roth, Joe Mantello and

Arianna Huffington.

SSFF venues, in addition to Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts, include Touchstone Theatre, 321 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem; National Museum of In-

dustrial History, 602 E. Second St., Bethlehem; Frank Banko Alehouse Cinemas, 101 Founders Way, SteelStacks, Bethlehem, and Festival headquarters, Deja Brew, 101 See **FESTIVAL** on Page B3

## NCC Summer Theatre 'Prom' season

### CURTAIN RISES



By Kathy Lauer-Williams

Northampton Community College Summer Theatre's first production of its 2023 season is the Lehigh Valley premiere of "The Prom," June 7-18, Lipkin Theater, Northampton Community College, Bethlehem Township.

The award-winning musical follows four fading Broadway actors as they travel to a conservative town in Indiana to help a lesbian student banned from taking her girlfriend to the high school prom.

The production is presented in recognition of Pride month in partnership with the Bradbury-Sul-



Valerie A. Hill



Marcell McKenzie

livan LGBT Community Center, Allentown.

"We are so excited to open with the Drama Desk winner, 'The Prom,' in its Lehigh Valley premiere," says William Mutimer, NCC Summer Theatre Artistic Producing Director. Mutimer, who is directing the musical, says it has a "story that needs to be told" and describes it as a "loopy, loving, and joyous musical."

The cast includes two actors who have appeared Off-Broadway in New York City.

Valerie A. Hill plays Dee Dee Allen, one of the fading Broadway actors in the show. She was in "Ten Percent Revue" and "Fairytale Tales" Off-Broadway. She played the role of Mother in Northampton Community College Summer Theatre's 2017 production of "Ragtime."

Marcell McKenzie plays Mr. Hawkins, the Indiana high school principal. He has appeared in the Off-Broadway production, "Magic Box the Musical." He was seen in Northampton Community College Theatre Department's production of "Head Over Heels" in 2021.

In "The Prom," parents want to keep the senior dance on the straight and narrow. When Emma (Kate Morgan) wants to bring her girlfriend Alyssa (Myriam Zamy) to the prom, the entire town is in an uproar.

In the musical's storyline, Broadway stars Dee Dee Allen (Valerie A. Hill) and Barry Glickman (Bill Mutimer) are in desperate need of some publicity. When they hear that controversy is brewing around

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**America**, 8 p.m. June 16, Penn's Peak. Jim Thorpe. Doors open at 6 p.m. The group is in its 53th anniversary. Founding members Gerry Beckley and Dewey Bunnell (along with former band mate, the late Dan Peek) met in high school in London in the late 1960s. Their hits include "A Horse With No Name," the group's first No. 1 single. Best-known songs include "I Need You," "Ventura Highway," "Tin Man," "Lonely People," "Sister Golden Hair" and "You Can Do Magic." Tickets: Penn's Peak box office, 325 Maury Road, Jim Thorpe; ticketmaster.com; 800-745-3000; 866-605-PEAK (7325); <https://www.pennspeak.com>

## 'Transformations' a tribute to mother

### GALLERY VIEW



By Ed Courrier

"Bugs, Butterflies, and Transformations," through June 27, Rotunda Gallery, Town Hall, Bethlehem, showcases paintings and prints by regionally-recognized artist Lynn N. Gano.

Gano's works are inspired by nature, literature and music. According to the artist, the insects, combined with other visual elements, "represent the transformation of the human conditions we have within ourselves or what we observe in others."

"I'm dedicating this show to my mother," says Gano.



PRESS PHOTO BY ED COURRIER

Lynn N. Gano with her painting, "Manifestations of Life" (2021; oil on canvas, 45 in. x 23 in.), "Bugs, Butterflies, and Transformations," Rotunda Gallery, Bethlehem.

"I painted this after my mother passed away," Gano says of "Manifestations of Life" (2021; oil on canvas, 45 in. x 23 in.).

"It's a tribute to her,"

she added. Her mother, A. Carlyne Gano, admired the stained glass window behind the altar at St. Peter's Basilica while visiting Gano in Italy. The purple

hues reflect her late mother's favorite color.

A dove inside a circle is featured in the stained glass artwork. Instead, Gano says, "I used the butterfly because butterflies are a theme in my work for 'Transformations.'" In the center circle of her painting is an Androcles butterfly.

"If you know the story about 'Androcles and the Lion,' he took the thorn out of the lion's paw and it was forever grateful," says Gano. "So, this is how I feel about my mother. My mother would always take the thorn out of my paw and I'm forever grateful."

The circle represents the Circle of Life and eternity. While brighter colors at the center are more vivid, they become more subdued

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**Christopher Cross, Justin Hayward**, 7 p.m. June 13, State Theatre Center for the Arts, Easton. Christopher Cross burst onto the music scene with his 1980 self-titled debut album, winning five Grammy Awards, including, for the first time in Grammy history, the "Big Four" most prestigious awards: Record of the Year (for the single "Sailing"), Album of the Year, Song of the Year (also "Sailing"), and Best New Artist. Justin Hayward has chalked up more than 50 years in the music and entertainment business, Hayward is vocalist, lead guitarist and composer for the Moody Blues. Tickets: State Theatre Center for the Arts box office, 453 Northampton St., Easton; <https://statetheatre.org>; 1-800-999-STATE (7828); 610-252-3132

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## ANNIVERSARY

## Kerchner

Emmaus couple celebrates 50th anniversary with vow renewal

Charles and Marjorie Kerchner, of Emmaus, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary May 21 with a renewal of vows officiated by the Rev. Ashley Werkheiser during the Sunday service at Christ United Church of Christ, Schoenersville, 5050 Airport Road, Allentown.

They were married May 26, 1973, at Christ UCC by the Rev. Edward Foster and wanted to have their renewal of vows at the church where they were married.

A social hour followed in the church's fellowship hall.

The couple are 1962 graduates of Emmaus High School.

They have two children: Dr. Debra L. (Michael) O'Byrne, of Woodbine, Md., and Chip Kerchner (Margaret LaFarr), of Niskayuna, N.Y., and four grandchildren: Jacob and Ben Kerchner and Kaitlyn and Ashley O'Byrne.



Marjorie and Charles Kerchner

## FOCUS ON THE WEB

'Little Mermaid' review, Allentown Band concert

The "At The Movies" review of "The Little Mermaid" is on the Focus

page of the Lehigh Valley Press website.

The "Classical Views" column about The Allentown Band June 14 Flag Day concert is on the Focus page of the Lehigh Valley Press website.

The "Classical Views" column about the Antebellum Marine Band of

Gettysburg June 10 and 11 concerts during the 1876 World's Fair Weekend at the National Museum of Industrial History, Bethlehem, is on the Focus page of the Lehigh Valley Press website.

The column, "Respectfully Yours," does not appear in the June 7 Focus

section.

The column, "The Family Project," that appears in the Focus section, is "on pause" until the fall, announced Teri Haddad, Vice President of Community Initiatives & Advancement, Community Services for Children.

## Black-eyed Susan is pollinator-friendly

Black-eyed Susan is the fitting name given to a flower with bright yellow petals and a dark center eye.

The name black-eyed Susan is commonly used for two very different plants. The name is given to *Thunbergia alata*, a vining, heat-loving plant that is native to the tropical areas of East Africa.

*Thunbergia alata*, often grown in containers, is a late summer-blooming annual here in Pennsylvania.

Most commonly, the flowers of *Rudbeckia fulgida* and *Rudbeckia hirta* are also known as black-eyed Susans. These two species are North American native plants that have been cultivated for home gardens.

Since they are derived from North American native wildflowers, cultivated varieties of *Rudbeckia* bring a wealth of ecological benefits to the garden.

The halo of yellow petals provides a target and landing pad for many pollinators. A close examination of the center "eye" reveals that it is actually hundreds of individual small flowers, each holding nectar sipped by bees, small

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wasps, flies, butterflies and moths.

Additionally, 18 species use *Rudbeckia* as a host plant in Pennsylvania. Several species of birds will feast on the mature nutritious seeds of the flower heads if left intact at the end of the growing season. Save clean-up until spring.

In addition, black-eyed Susans provide a bright spot in your garden from mid to late summer. They make excellent cut flowers. Cutting them for bouquets, along with deadheading, will encourage more blossoms.

Most of the *Rudbeckia* varieties available in Pennsylvania are perennials. They also self-seed, so choose a spot in the garden where you will enjoy this plant long-term. They grow best in full sun but can tolerate partial shade. They prefer average, well-drained soils but can adapt to clay, alkaline or acid pH, and gravelly soils. Once established, they are heat and drought-tolerant,

blooming from July into October.

Research indicates that planting a number of *Rudbeckia* together in a drift will attract more pollinating insects.

Even though *Rudbeckia* plants will self-seed once established, a gardener should not expect the best results from sowing purchased seeds directly into the ground. As with many native plants, *Rudbeckia* seeds germinate best if they experience a period of cold that mimics winter (stratification). This can be achieved by refrigerating the seeds before sowing indoors under lights about ten weeks before the danger of frost is past. Another way to achieve this is by sowing the seeds in a container outdoors in the fall.

Purchasing *Rudbeckia* transplants is probably the better option. Most greenhouses and plant nurseries in Pennsylvania will carry black-eyed Susan plants (ensure that the plant is labeled *Rudbeckia*). *Rudbeckia* can be planted in the garden in late spring or fall, about six weeks before the first frost.

*Rudbeckia*, having originated as North

American wildflowers that thrive in disturbed landscape areas, have few serious problems. Their coarse, hairy foliage provides deer resistance. However, newly planted *Rudbeckia* seems to be irresistible to rabbits. Protect young plants until they are well-established in the garden.

*Rudbeckia* can suffer from powdery mildew. Plants can also be infected by the fungal disease *Septoria* leaf spot. Thinning plants and avoiding overhead watering may help alleviate the unsightly symptoms of these diseases.

There are many varieties to choose from. Keep your eyes open at nurseries and plant sales and browse catalogs for even more selections.

Consider adding this plant to your garden. You and our important pollinators will feel that you have struck gold.

"Growing Green" is contributed by Diane Dorn, Lehigh County Extension Office Staff, and Master Gardeners. Information: Lehigh County Extension Office, 610-391-9840; Northampton County Extension Office, 610-813-6613.

## Precautions to take with pacemakers

First of two parts

Q. Will sex mess up my pacemaker?

Only if powerful magnets are involved.

Seriously, your pacemaker is usually safe.

Modern pacemakers are stable devices. But there are still some precautions you should take if you've had one of these miraculous gizmos implanted in your chest.

The following could be problems:

\* Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) is a no-no if you have a pacemaker. In fact, any procedure that exposes you to electromagnetic energy is a problem. These procedures include therapeutic radiation, shockwave lithotripsy that breaks up large kidney stones and electrocautery to control bleeding during surgery.

\* Metal detectors at airports don't interfere with pacemakers when you pass through them briefly. However, you should not hang around them for a long time or lean against them. And, if security personnel want to use a hand-held

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metal detector, ask them to avoid your pacemaker, or ask for an alternate form of search.

\* Power machines are dangerous. Stand at least two feet away from arc-welding equipment, high-voltage transformers and motor-generator systems.

\* Anti-theft systems. An anti-theft system is unlikely to cause clinically significant symptoms in most people with pacemakers, but they shouldn't stay near one longer than necessary.

\* Short-wave or microwave diathermy uses high-frequency, high-intensity signals. These may interfere with a pacemaker.

\* MP3 player headphones. Earbud and clip-on types of headphones can cause interference. Keep your headphones at least 1.2 inches away from your pacemaker.

Bluetooth® headsets do not appear to interfere with pacemakers.

Modern pacemakers have built-in protection from most types of interference produced by everyday electrical appliances. The following don't create problems and you shouldn't worry about being around them if you have a pacemaker:

Microwave ovens, televisions and their remote controls, dental equipment, radios, toasters, electric blankets, CB radios, heating pads, stereos, vacuum cleaners, hair dryers, gardening machinery, electric shavers, food processors, computers, copy machines and shop tools.

How about cell phones? I found a variety of opinions on this. Some sources say cell phones are harmless. However, others insist that you shouldn't put your cell directly over your pacemaker because it's possible that the pacemaker could misinterpret a phone signal, withhold pacing and make you feel tired.

Newer cell phones that use new frequencies might make pacemakers less reliable. This subject is being researched by cell phone companies. The old cliché is appropriate: better safe than sorry.

Always inform healthcare professionals that you have a pacemaker before receiving any treatment. And always carry an identification card that informs people that you have a pacemaker.

There are more than 3 million artificial pacemakers in use today. They are devices that help the heart beat in a regular rhythm when its natural pacemaker isn't working. One of the most common problems requiring a pacemaker is "bradycardia," a heart rate that's too slow. This can be brought on by age.

An implanted electronic pacemaker is made up of a pulse generator and leads. The leads are flexible, insulated wires that deliver the electrical pulses to your heart. The pulse generator is a small met-

## The wonders of simple walking

Walking might not cure everything but it sure does cure a lot.

Yes, it's the step child of exercise enthusiasts. Most prefer running until that creates a problem and they can't run anymore.

While some might go halfheartedly into walking, many convert to singing its praises.

The New York Times recently proclaimed: Whatever the problem, walking can solve it.

Walking has benefits far beyond the physical.

A charming piece by Andrew McCarthy put an extra spin on my enthusiasm for walking.

He says if you're in a bad mood, go for a walk.

If you're still in a bad mood, go for another walk.

That made me laugh.

Then, as I thought about it, I remembered times when I was so upset I thought I had smoke coming out of my ears.

I went for a long walk and either those feelings eased or I was too tired to care.

Many experts attest to the fact that walking not only nourishes the body but also soothes the mind while it burns off tension and makes our troubles recede into a more manageable perspective, according to the author.

He quotes Charles Dickens who proclaimed, "If I could not walk far and fast I think I should just explode and perish."

That made me recall decades ago when I was in the ICU after a brain surgery procedure. I remember lying in the hospital bed longing to be able to pick up my shoulder bag and go for a walk. At the time I was fairly active in a lot of sports. Yet, what came to mind was a desire for simple walking.

Anyone who has had their ability to enjoy walking knows it's far more than a simple physical activity.

Several well known personalities attest to how walking clears the mind and leads to new and fruitful thoughts.

McCarthy admits he often considered walking a waste of his time until he went to Spain with the main mission of walking the Camino.

"Instead of viewing walking as simply the slowest way to get somewhere I grew to see it not only as a means to an end but as an end in itself."

I love the way he calls walking "spiritual communion."

It certainly is that for me.

Every morning, regardless of weather, I start my day by walking. The distance isn't great but anytime I can overcome any and all physical challenges to walk for a half-hour I say, "Thank you."

I call it my gratitude walk and that's exactly what it is. From the time I open the front door and take my first breathe of fresh air I say thank you."

Sometimes when I'm cranky because so many things are going wrong I know I need the attitude adjustment I get with a gratitude walk.

That involves pushing aside thoughts of any problem I'm wres-

al container that houses a battery and the electrical circuitry that regulates the rate of electrical pulses sent to your heart.

Surgery to implant the pacemaker is usually performed under local

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By Pattie Mihalik  
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ting with and concentrating instead with saying "Thank you" to the God who has always cared about me. Then I go back in time and name some of the blessings I've experienced.

Of course that cures my crankiness.

Much of my walk also revolves in being aware of the beauty around me. Look around. You'll find so much beauty. Look closely at what is growing. Note any new growth.

Keep your eyes open for treats from nature. I usually see one every day. Today it was a brave little bunny that made me smile. When I stopped to watch it, the bunny stopped near me and just stayed there, completely unafraid.

When I got close to home I stopped to listen to the concert going on in the big tree. I think the birds were having a party. How can I not feel good with a treat like that?

By being faithful to my morning walks I'm gaining physically and spiritually.

Sometimes early in the morning when I tired from not enough sleep or in a hurry to go somewhere I'm tempted to skip my walk. But then I remember reading that walking reduces our risk of Alzheimer's and other ailments.

When it comes to the benefits of walking, my friend Mark has the most incredible story to tell. He always had plenty of energy even after a hot day or cutting lawns for his customers. But then he started feeling fatigued that didn't go away. Just to be safe he went for a complete checkup.

According to his family doctor he needed to see a heart specialist right away. After plenty of tests the specialist delivered the bad news.

He has a rare heart condition that can't be fixed. Mark was ordered to stop cutting lawns and refrain from anything strenuous.

He made a trip to Singapore to see his brother, a leading heart surgeon.

While his brother agreed there was no surgical procedure that would make him better, he countered Mark's no exercise mandate, telling him to walk, walk, walk.

I couldn't believe how far Mark walked every day.

That was six years ago and Mark is incredibly fit. All from walking, he claims.

After a doctor's wife had lung surgery, the doctor put her on a schedule to walk, walk, walk. She also is singing the benefits of walking.

When I ask my physical therapist what I can do for back pain, he says walk as much as I can.

The wonders of simple walking should not be underestimated.

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anesthesia and typically takes less than three hours. The pulse generator is usually implanted under the skin beneath your collarbone. Some models are as small as a quarter.

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toward the painting's edges. "We still retain our beauty even though, as we get older we gray," Gano says. Gano began working on it when her mother died in 2017.

A grasshopper and praying mantis are among the other "bugs" artfully depicted in flight in Gano's aquatint etchings.

Gano received a BFA from Temple University Tyler School of Art, studying her junior year at Temple's Rome, Italy, campus. She is Director of Creative Services at Alvernia University, Reading. She previously worked for Rodale Press.

Gano, an Easton native, graduated from St. Francis Academy for Girls, Bethlehem, and studied commercial art at Northampton Community College. She has been painting since age 9. She works out of her home studio in West Brunswick Township.

Gano's work has been shown in Pennsylvania art galleries, including the Miller Gallery, Alvernia University, as well as The Pelham Art Center, New Rochelle, N.Y., and The Bradley International Print and Drawing Exhibition, Peoria, Ill.

The Rotunda exhibition is sponsored by the Bethlehem Fine Arts Commission.

"Bugs, Butterflies, and Transformations," through June 27, Rotunda Gallery, Town Hall, 10 E. Church St., Bethlehem. Gallery hours: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday - Friday, Closed weekends and holidays. Information: https://bfac-lv.org/rotunda-gallery

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

Bethlehem Press top Keystone Media winner

BY PAUL WILLISTEIN pwillistein@tnonline.com

The Bethlehem Press is again a Sweepstakes winner in the Professional Keystone Media Awards.

The Bethlehem Press, Editor George Taylor, received the most number of points for 16 Keystone Awards in Division VI of the 2023 Keystone Awards.

Whitehall-Coplay Press, Editor Kelly Luterschmidt, received two 2023 Keystone Awards.

East Penn Press and Salisbury Press, Editor Debbie Galbraith, each received one 2023 Keystone Award.

Parkland Press, Editor Debbie Palmieri, received one 2023 Keystone Award.

The Focus section received four 2023 Keystone Awards, as part of Bethlehem Press.

2023 Keystone Media Award Winners list: https://panewsmedia.org

FESTIVAL

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W, Fourth St., Bethlehem.

SSFF screens shorts, features, animation films, documentary films and narrative fiction films. The screenings are often in blocks of similar genres. Many of the films are screened more than once.

The SSFF is run by the nonprofit SouthSide Film Institute, with its board of directors, including Jennifer Cotto, Festival Director; Jeff

Vaclavik, Board President; Glenn Koehler, Board Vice President; Carol J. Gilmore, Board Secretary; Gary Krall, Board Treasurer; Lorraine M. Pasquali, Volunteer Coordinator; and Benjamin Bertalan, Dennis Douvanis and

Ann Knerr. The SSFF website lists films in alphabetical order and by the screening schedule

SouthSide Film Festival information, schedule, tickets: https://southside-filmfestival.com

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a small-town prom and the press is involved, they enlist two friends and decide to put a spotlight on the issue and themselves, as well.

Broadway producer Jack Viertel ("Hedestown," "Falsettos," "Something Rotten!") came up with the concept for the show after seeing news reports about gay students not being allowed to go to their proms. He pitched the idea to Casey Nicholaw, who became the original production's director and choreographer.

Nicholaw brought in the team of Matthew Sk-

lar, Chad Beguelin and Bob Martin to create the music, lyrics and book.

The three had collaborated on "Elf the Musical." Beguelin and Sklar had collaborated on "The Wedding Singer." Martin had co-written "The Drowsy Chaperone," and made his Broadway debut in "The Drowsy Chaperone" role of Man in Chair. "The Prom" debuted on Broadway in 2018. The musical received seven Tony Award nominations, including for best musical, and won the Drama Desk award for best musical.

The musical was adapted into a 2020 movie starring Meryl Streep, James Corden and Nicole Kidman.

The cast includes professional actors Kevin Gaughenbaugh, Michael Mottram, Janae Gray and Sieanna Rahatt and Northampton Community College students Lydia Walker, Max Wetherhold, Mason Wold, Josh Crowley, Isaiah Elleby, Mina/Will Price and Cade Kocher. Faith Stak is dance captain.

Musical direction is by Chad Miller. Choreography is by Tina Williams. NCC Summer Theatre is supporting YWCA Bethlehem's Pop-up Prom Shop by collecting gently-used prom dresses at each performance of "The Prom." Audience members are invited clean out

their closets and bring in gowns.

"The Prom," 7:30 p.m. June 7-9, 14-16; 2, 7:30 p.m. June 10, 17; 2 p.m. June 11, 18, Lipkin Theater, Northampton Community College, 3835 Green Pond Road., Bethlehem Township. Tickets: 484-484-3412, https://www.northampton.edu

"Curtain Rises" is a column about the theater, stage shows, the actors in them and the directors and artists who make them happen. To request coverage, email: Paul Willistein, Focus editor, pwillistein@tnonline.com

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Rebecca Mallozzi 10:00 a.m. Worship Live Streaming Available on our Website <a href="http://www.faithchurchemmaus.org">www.faithchurchemmaus.org</a> <a href="mailto:office@faithchurchemmaus.org">office@faithchurchemmaus.org</a>  <b>FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM</b> 10 a.m. Summer Worship in the Sanctuary and on Facebook Live After the service, join us for outdoor social time on the lawn The Rev. J.C. Austin, Senior Pastor The Rev. Lindsey Altwater Clifton The Rev. Suzanne Trump <a href="mailto:fpcc-bethlehem.org">fpcc-bethlehem.org</a>  <b>QUAKERS</b>  <b>LEHIGH VALLEY FRIENDS MEETING</b> 4116 Bath Pike, Bethlehem, PA 1/2 mi. North of US 22 on PA 512 10 a.m. In Person & Zoom Worship Child care provided Masks Optional Handicap Acc./Hearing aids avail. 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OF CHRIST</b>  <b>JORDAN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 1837 Church Road, Allentown (Corner of 309 & Walbert Ave.) Livestream: <a href="https://jordanucc.org/online-worship">jordanucc.org/online-worship</a> 610-395-2218 Rev. Dr. David Charles Smith, Pastor 8 & 10:30 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Church School for All Ages  <b>ZIEGEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 9990 Ziegels Church Road Breinigsville, PA 18031 Phone: 610-285-6157 Rev. Dr. Larry Pickens <a href="http://www.ziegelschurch.org">www.ziegelschurch.org</a> 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:05 a.m. Worship Online worship on Facebook and YouTube Handicapped Accessible  <b>CHRIST'S CHURCH AT LOWHILL UCC</b> 4695 Lowhill Church Rd., New Tripoli, PA 18066 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. In Person Weekly Worship Via Facebook Live or Lowhill Church YouTube <a href="https://christchurchatlowhill.org">christchurchatlowhill.org</a> 253rd Anniversary Year!  <b>SOLOMON'S UCC</b> 82 S. Church St. Macungie, PA 18062-1016 610-966-3086 <a href="http://Solomonsucc.com">Solomonsucc.com</a> Frank Schaffer, Pastor 9 a.m. Summer Worship Nursery during Worship Handicap Accessible <b>DON'T BE A STRANGER!</b>  <b>ST. JOHN'S U.C.C. FULLERTON</b> 575 Grape Street, Whitehall 18052 Rev. Steven C. Davis, Sr. Pastor 9:30 a.m. Faith Formation 9:30 a.m. Worship (onsite & live stream services) 610-264-8421 <a href="https://stjohnsuccfullerton.org">https://stjohnsuccfullerton.org</a> Open and Affirming Church  <b>GRACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 902 Lincoln Ave. Northampton, PA 18067 <a href="mailto:graceuccchurch@gmail.com">graceuccchurch@gmail.com</a> 610-262-7186 No Summer Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Handicap Accessible	<b>ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 139 North Fourth St. Emmaus 610-965-9158 Pastor Rev. Dr. Paul Knappenberger 8 & 10:30 a.m. Worship 9:15 Sunday School Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. Informal Worship  <b>EBENEZER U.C.C.</b> Route 143, New Tripoli 610-298-8000 Pastor Wally Frisch Sunday School, 9 a.m. all ages 10:15 a.m. Worship (in person) or on Facebook live All Are Welcome!  <b>OLD ZIONSVILLE UCC</b> 5981 Fountain Rd., Old Zionville (at the Y of Fountain Rd & King's Hwy) The Rev. Lori Esslinger 610-966-3601 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship resumes in sanctuary <a href="http://www.oldzionsvilleucc.org">www.oldzionsvilleucc.org</a>  <b>ST. JOHN'S UCC MICKLEY'S</b> 2918 MacArthur Rd., Whitehall Int. MacArthur & Eberhardt Rd. 610-821-8725 <a href="http://stjohnsuccmickleys.org">stjohnsuccmickleys.org</a> Rev. Virginia Schlegel 10:00 a.m. Worship All Are Welcome Here  <b>ST. MARK'S U.C.C.</b> 52 E. Susquehanna St. Allentown 610-797-0181 Rev. George Eckstein, Pastor Sunday School 9 a.m. Worship 10 a.m. Handicap Accessible  <b>CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD U.C.C.</b> 135 Quarry Rd., Alburtis 610-966-2991 Pastor, Rev. Matthew Gorkos 9:30 a.m. Worship Also Live On Facebook  <b>ST. PETER'S LYNNVILLE UCC</b> 5129 Schochary Road New Tripoli, PA 610-298-8064 Worship 9:30 a.m. Handicapped Accessible All Welcome!  <b>UNITED METHODIST</b>  <b>EMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> 2336 S. 9th Street Allentown, PA. 18103 610-797-1571 Pastor Lela Hartranft 9:15am Sunday Service Children's Sunday School TBA Preschool Tues-Thurs 9:15am-12:45pm <a href="https://www.facebook.com/EUMALLENTOWN">https://www.facebook.com/EUMALLENTOWN</a> <a href="mailto:Eumcsec@gmail.com">Eumcsec@gmail.com</a>

## Weisenberg Lutheran Church celebrates new confirmation class



PHOTO COURTESY OF WEISENBERG CHURCH

Weisenberg Lutheran Church, New Tripoli, celebrated as eight young adults affirmed their Baptism in the Rite of Confirmation on May 28. Catechism class members are (back) Peyton Christman, Teagen Christman, Faith Smith, and Marina Breininger and (front) Sofia Sikora, Jacob Pfeiffy, Kayla Corio and Cole Mertz. Class teachers are (left) Cindy Coyle and Amy Breininger and (right) Pastor Brandon Heavner.

**LEHIGH COUNTY SENIOR MENUS**

Lehigh County: visit [www.lehighcounty.org/](http://www.lehighcounty.org/)  
Departments/Human-Services/Neighborhood-Senior-Centers/  
or call 610-782-3254  
(menus subject to change without prior notice)

**Thursday, June 8:** Hot: Garlic butter chicken, wax beans, mashed potatoes, whole-grain roll, chocolate pudding. Lite: Roast beef and cheddar sandwich, broccoli salad, whole-wheat roll, pineapple.

**Friday, June 9:** Hot: Cheese lasagna roll-up w/ sauce, spinach salad w/ Mandarin oranges, whole-wheat dinner roll, diced peaches. Lite: Pesto chicken salad sandwich, tomato-onion-olive salad, whole-wheat roll, crackers, fresh orange.

**Monday, June 12:** Hot: Cheese steak, French onion soup, roasted potato wedges, whole-wheat sandwich roll, fresh orange. Lite: Roast beef club sandwich, four bean salad, whole-wheat sandwich roll, tropical fruit.

**Tuesday, June 13:** Hot: Chicken tenders, green beans, cheesy rice, tropical fruit, oatmeal cookie. Lite: Ham and Swiss sandwich, potato salad, whole-wheat sandwich roll, pineapple.

**Wednesday, June 14:** Hot: Beef patty w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, whole-wheat dinner roll, cinnamon, applesauce. Lite: Beef and bleu cheese salad, salad vegetables, whole-wheat dinner roll, peaches.

**Thursday, June 15:** Hot: Ranch Chicken Normandy vegetable blend, roasted red potatoes, whole-wheat dinner roll, vanilla pudding. Lite: Chicken Caesar wrap, broccoli salad, whole-wheat tortilla, fresh apple slices.

**NORTHAMPTON COUNTY SENIOR MENUS**

Many Northampton County Senior Centers are now open.  
Visit [www.northamptoncounty.org/HS/AGING/Pages/Senior-Centers.aspx](http://www.northamptoncounty.org/HS/AGING/Pages/Senior-Centers.aspx) or call 610 829-4540 for information, locations, closings and current updates.  
(subject to change without notice)

**Wednesday, June 7:** Turkey cheese hoagie, cucumber onion salad, fresh fruit cup, sugar cookie, iced tea.

**Thursday, June 8:** Chicken Kiev, orzo w/ spinach, green beans Almondine, cheesecake w/ cherry topping, wheat bread w/ margarine.

**Friday, June 9:** National Strawberry Rhubarb Pie Day: Chili con carne over rice, warm cornbread, broccoli cuts, strawberry rhubarb pie, apple juice.

**Monday, June 12:** Roast pork loin w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, sauerkraut, lemon cooler cookies, apple juice.

**Tuesday, June 13:** Cheese ravioli, Italian blend vegetables, garlic bread, chocolate pudding.

**Wednesday, June 14:** Garden salad w/ dressing, farmer's pot roast w/ vegetables and gravy, baked potato w/ sour cream, dinner roll, fruit gelatin salad.

**Thursday, June 15:** Spring green salad w/ raspberry balsamic dressing, beer battered fish, parsley buttered bow ties, French cut green beans, sugar cookie.

**Friday, June 16:** Father's Day Meal: Swiss steak over rice, peas and carrots, dinner roll w/ margarine, turtle brownie, cranberry juice.

**King Classic Sudoku**

6			8	5		9		2
		8					5	
	7		6	9				
2			7	4		8	9	3
	4			3	8		1	
3					1			
	6	3					7	9
				6	9			
	2							1

Difficulty: ★★★

6/7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once.

**Answer to previous puzzle**

2	6	3	7	9	5	8	1	4
5	7	9	1	4	8	2	6	3
8	1	4	2	3	6	7	9	5
9	8	1	3	6	4	5	7	2
7	4	6	8	5	2	9	3	1
3	2	5	9	7	1	4	8	6
6	5	7	4	1	9	3	2	8
1	3	2	5	8	7	6	4	9
4	9	8	6	2	3	1	5	7

Difficulty: ★★★

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**PROPANE BIDS WANTED**

Sealed proposals will be received until 8:45 AM, June 26, 2023 at North Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3256 Levans Road, Coplay, PA, then publicly opened and read at approximately 9:00 AM the same day, for the following item:

**PROPANE FUEL +/- 50,000 GALS. TOTAL 2-YEAR CONTRACT**

Bid proposals may be obtained at the Township Office between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Thursday.

The successful bidder shall be required to supply Performance Bond as required by law.

The North Whitehall Township Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any, all or a portion of any bids, due to budgetary reasons and to accept any bid which, in its judgment, is in the best interest of the Township.

Jessica Koenig, Secretary/Deputy Treasurer  
NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP

Jun 7-8, 14-15

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**BOROUGH OF NORTH CATASAUQUA PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

The Planning Commission of the Borough of North Catasauqua will hold a meeting on June 20th at 5:30 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to review the subdivision application for 408 Buttonwood.

Tasha M. Jandrisovits  
Borough Secretary

Jun 7-8, 14-15

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Upper Macungie Township Parks & Recreation Board will conduct a Public Meeting on Thursday, June 15th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss any matters that may come before the Board, and to take any necessary action, if appropriate. The meeting will occur at the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031.  
Jazmin Vazquez  
Township Secretary  
Jun 7-8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Certificate of Organization was filed on May 24, 2023 with the PA Department of State for **Younes Home Renovations LLC** in accordance with the provisions of the Limited Liability Company Law, Act of December 7, 1994.  
Ronald E. Corkery, Esquire  
352 Fifth Street, Suite A, Whitehall, PA 18052  
(610) 437-9867  
Jun 7-8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Storhouse Self Storage Lehigh Street, 1449 Lehigh Street, Allentown Pa 18103** intends to satisfy its Self Storage lien against contents of the following spaces for non-payment of Rent or other charges:

**Tiara Powell, leased space #1097; Sabrina L. Hicke-Haupt, leased space #1073; Madeline Amparo, leased space #1021.** The items will be sold online June 22, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at [www.storageTreasures.com](http://www.storageTreasures.com). The winner of the sale is subject to the terms and conditions of the website, pre-registration to bid is required. The sale may be withdrawn at any time.  
Jun 7-8, 14-15

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**SALISBURY TOWNSHIP**

The Salisbury Township Zoning Hearing Board will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM** in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 S. Pike Ave, Allentown, PA 18103. The meeting will be held to hear the following case:

**1818 East Susquehanna Street (Appeal No. 23-0105)** - Ingrid Greenberg requests special exception approval in accordance with §27-306.2 (Attachment 3) to increase the number of dwelling units and convert the existing structure at 1818 East Susquehanna Street into a single-family, detached dwelling. Additionally, the appellant requests variance relief from §27-307.2.C (Attachments 5 and 6) to maintain the existing structure on an existing 5,020 square foot lot (min required lot size is 6,000 square feet) with a 2 foot setback on either side (min required side yard setback is 6 feet per side with a total of 18 feet). The property is located within the C2, Neighborhood Commercial zoning district.

**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@salisbury-township.org](mailto:krabold@salisbury-township.org) or 484-661-5825.  
May 31-Jun 1, 7-8

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: M equals G

See solutions on Page B7

**PREMIER Crossword**

By Frank A. Longo

**FROM ALABAMA TO LOUISIANA**

- ACROSS**
- Complaints to otologists
  - Foreboding
  - ESPN datum
  - Feelings
  - Alternative to chocolate
  - Rev gauge
  - Ailment suffered from being given too much leeway?
  - Bicolor whale
  - Poet Hughes
  - Tooth doctors' org.
  - Scarf down
  - Cantata's kin
  - "The Chi" airer, in brief
  - Alpo alternative
  - Things people run on racetracks in Switzerland's capital?
  - Coke and Pepsi's business?
  - Collide with
  - Robots in human form
  - "Fer cryin' out loud!"
  - Barkeeper on "The Simpsons"
  - Audio game from Hasbro
  - Soothsayer
  - Off-limits
  - Farrow of film
  - Storytellers' leagues?
  - The "A" of ETA: Abbr.
  - Tech sch.
  - Some raptors
  - Vinaigrette alternative
  - Team letdowns
  - Apple tablets
  - Mild
  - Actor Koteas
  - Thighbone
  - Watering tube
  - Earth's star
  - Bivalve mollusk that's neither anxious nor perturbed?
  - 1040 ID
  - Sock fillers
  - Instant, in some brand names
  - "— come to save the day!"
  - Blubber
  - Suburb of Buenos Aires
  - Etched computer components
  - Eight-note spans
  - Monty Python member wearing no jewelry or fancy clothes?
  - Topmost point on a perfume bottle?
  - Alan of "Tower Heist"
  - Blast source
  - Lindsay of "Machete"

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- Barney Miller player Linden
  - Sue Grafton's "— for Evidence"
  - Sallie —
  - Gung-ho
  - Like a shutter so shabby there's no point in putting in a new louver?
  - Head, in Nice
  - Attacks like a bird
  - Tombs for pharaohs
  - Greek strife goddess
  - In a very similar way
  - Cliffhanger feeling
- DOWN**
- Conger, e.g.
  - Docs' org.
  - Decompose
  - Working hard
  - Quote
  - Magician Harry
  - Call a halt to
  - Atlanta-to-Miami dir.
  - Exiled Roman poet
  - Gruesome
  - Ballpoint fluid
  - S.F. NFLer
  - City in southwest New York
  - Long, loose overcoat
  - Airline to Sweden
  - Snitching sort
  - Kilt pattern
  - Say "yes" to
  - "No kiddin'?"
  - Lip off to
  - Interoffice note
  - Wound cover
  - Academic A-lists
  - Ancient cuneiform language
  - Attaches
  - Deep thinkers
  - Retina locale
  - Home of Pago Pago
  - Seed case
  - Wee amount
  - TV host Banks
  - Arctic boot attachment
  - Pawn
  - Approximate
  - U.S. soldiers
  - One of the Leeward Islands
  - Contained as a part of
  - Very pale
  - "— a pity"
  - Pottery piece
  - Downcast
  - Uno + due
  - Spy novelist Fleming
  - Smart — (wise guys)
  - Actor Elliott
  - PC key abbr.
  - "Pick up the Czech," e.g.
  - "Well, I'll be!"
  - Antagonist
  - Grades K-6: Abbr.
  - Longtime bud
  - Like cut bread
  - Many times
  - Gator's kin
  - Karate blow
  - Blue-green
  - Has no life
  - False appearances
  - Maker of Skin So Soft
  - Apt. units
  - True-to-fact
  - Finger-pointing people
  - Recently
  - Four-leaf —
  - One of the Windward Islands
  - "Dr." of insoles
  - Diner grub
  - Sine, for one
  - Actor Cary
  - Eensy
  - "Right away!"
  - "Game of Thrones" actress Bianco
  - Packers' and Panthers' gp.
  - Sugar suffix
  - Co- — (some apartments)
  - Sch. in Manhattan
  - "Hamilton" composer — Manuel Miranda
  - TV plugs
  - Mao — -tung

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of Hanover Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, will consider for adoption at a Public Meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m. on the 27th day of June, 2023, at the Hanover Township Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, an Ordinance amending the Township of Hanover Code of Codified Ordinances, Chapter 44 Animals, adding a new Article III Control of Horses, to provide regulations for certain equine related activities within the Township.

The public meeting will be open to the public. In addition, and due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the meeting will also be held electronically through Vimeo. To access the meeting through your computer, go to hanovertwp-nc.org, on the Home Page, scroll down to "BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING TUESDAY, June 27, 2023 STARTING AT 7 PM - Click here for Live Stream".

Copies of the full proposed text of the Ordinance may be examined by any citizen of the Township of Hanover at the Office of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Hanover, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, at 3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, during normal business hours and on the Township's website. The following is a summary of the proposed Ordinance in reasonable detail:

ORDINANCE NO. 23-

the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Hanover, Northampton County, Pennsylvania ("BOS") has determined that it would be in the best interest of the Township of Hanover to amend its Ordinance to provide regulations for certain equine related activities for the health, safety, and welfare of its residents.

- SECTION 1. BOS enactment of Amendment.
SECTION 2. §44-24. Additions to Definitions.
§44-25 Nuisances prohibited.
§ 44-26 Interference with Enforcement Officer.
§ 44-28 Violations and penalties

- SECTION 3. Repealer provision.
SECTION 4. Severability provision.
SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall become effective within five (5) days of enactment.

James L. Broughal, Esquire
TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR
38 West Market Street
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania 18018

Jun 7-8

PUBLIC NOTICE

FOUNTAIN HILL BOROUGH

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Hearing Board of Fountain Hill Borough will conduct a public hearing on Monday June 19, 2023, at 7:00 PM, in the Borough Hall meeting room located at 941 Long Street, Fountain Hill, PA. Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, for the following zoning appeal(s):
ZHB-2022-01: An appeal for the property located at 940 Cherokee Street, Tax PIN 642731393114, property owner 940 Cherokee Street LLC, seeking a time extension of one year per Section 111.G for the expiring relief that was awarded via a public hearing on May 16, 2022 with its written opinion decision and order dated June 29, 2022. The subject property is in the TC, Town Center District.

ZHB-2023-03: An appeal for the property located at 937 Seneca Street, Tax PIN 642722808994, property owner Mark Silvester, seeking relief to use a stone parking area located at the right rear corner of the abutting property at 939 Seneca Street. The appellant seeks favorable interpretations, or in the alternative, a special exception and any variances regarding Section 602.E(1) regarding required off-street parking spaces being on an abutting lot. The case is in correlation to the next listed case regarding 939 Seneca Street. The subject property is in the TC, Town Center District.

ZHB-2023-04: An appeal for the property located at 939 Seneca Street, Tax PIN 64272 1890637, property owner Store America Inc LLC o/o Mark Silvester, seeking relief to retain a stone parking area at the right rear corner of this non-residential property in order for it to be used by the adjacent residence k/a 937 Seneca Street (per the above listed case). The appellant seeks favorable interpretations, or in the alternative, variances, regarding applicable design sub-sections of Section 603, such as 603.A(1) - Backing onto a Street; 603.A(3) parking area location in relation to a street right of way; 603.A(4) separation from a street; 603.B size and marking of spaces; 603.C - aisles; 603.D driveways; 603.E(2) parking area surface material; and Section 804.C - parking lot area trees. The subject property is in the TC, Town Center District.

The above referenced properties are located in Fountain Hill Borough, Lehigh County, PA. Copies of any corresponding plans, forms, etc that were submitted can be available for public inspection at Borough Hall during normal business hours. All applicants/appellants, or their representative with proper legal standing must attend. All objectors and interested parties may attend and can have an opportunity to be heard.
Keith Zehner, Zoning Officer
May 31-Jun 1,7-8

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SEALED PROPOSALS will be accepted by Hanover Township until 12:00 p.m., on June 20, 2023 at the Hanover Township Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem PA 18017, for the following Contract:
"2023 Paving Proposal" on various streets in Hanover Township, Northampton County

2,310 Tons of 12.5 mm Wearing Course
5,955 SY of Gutter Milling, As Directed
Miscellaneous Pavement Markings including Thermoplastic and Paint
All materials must meet PENNDOT Pub. 408 Specifications and Standards. Bidders need to be PENNDOT prequalified.

Proposals must be on forms provided by the Township. Proposals shall be marked "2023 Paving Proposal". Proposal forms, specifications and bid information can be obtained at the Hanover Township Municipal Building at the above address or by calling Martin Limpar, Public Works Director, at 610-866-1140 X 227, Monday thru Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. All bidders are ask to drive roads and check out current conditions prior to submitting a bid.

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of ten (10%) percent of the bid made payable to Hanover Township. The successful bidder will be required to provide a Performance and Payment Bond in the amount of 100% of the contract price within 20 days of the award of the contract.

All bids will be opened and read publicly at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at the Township Building and, pending review, awarded at the Board of Supervisors Meeting at approximately 7:00 PM on Tuesday, June 27, 2023. Hanover Township reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all proposals or portions thereof, and to delete projects and or portions of the project depending on budgetary constraints and may also waive any technicalities deemed to be in the best interest of the Township. Pennsylvania Prevailing Wages WILL Apply to this contract.

Hanover Township
Martin M. Limpar,
Public Works Director
3630 Jacksonville Road
Bethlehem PA 18017

May 31-Jun 1,7-8

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 June 20, 2023, 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 # 2054 - David and Joann Shecker - 639 Union Street, Whitehall, PA 18052. Location: 639 Union Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549884922686. 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 27-106(C) of the Zoning Ordinance to increase a nonconforming front yard setback of seventeen feet (17') to add a front porch with a six foot (6') front yard setback where 25 feet are required.

DOCKET # 2055 - Hearthfire Capital o/o Will Lockard - 239 East Market Street, Suite 102, West Chester, PA 19382. Location: 1176 Mickleby Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, PINs 549862581759 and 549862780809. The subject property is located in a C-2 Regional Community Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting variances to Sections 27-80(E)(4) and (5) and 27-146(A)(20) of the Zoning Ordinance to construct a self-storage facility with a 38.5 foot building height where only 35 feet are permitted, 37.5% building coverage where only 35% is permitted, and 14 parking spaces where 340 parking spaces are required for a retail or service commercial use with less than 500,000 square feet of accessible area.

DOCKET # 2056 - John J. Tesoriero - 4211 Mimoso Lane, Whitehall, PA 18052. Location: 4211 Mimoso Lane, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549936603011. The subject property is located in a R-1 Very Low Density Residential Zoning District. Applicant is requesting variances to Sections 27-70(E)(2)(b) and 27-84(F) of the Zoning Ordinance to construct a rear second story deck closer than 26.64 feet to the Bridge Street right of way. The proposed distance from the right of way and dimensions of the deck cannot be determined from the application.

DOCKET # 2057 - Sandra and Julius Schrampf - 3204 Parkview Drive, Whitehall, PA 18052. Location: 3204 Parkview Drive, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549932965049. The subject property is located in a R-4 Medium Density Residential Zoning District. Applicants are requesting a variance to Section 27-115(A) of the Zoning Ordinance and the Whitehall Township Swimming Pool, Spa and Hot Tub Guide regulations to install an above ground swimming pool in a yard that abuts Carbon Street.

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@whitehall-township.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 necessary assistance. Applicants, and all interested parties MUST appear at this hearing to be considered.

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

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

Christopher W. Gittinger
Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer

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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 June 15, 2023 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 through 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.

PARKING LOT EXPANSION ALLENTOWN CAT CLINIC
MAJOR PLAN 2023-102
REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY/FINAL PLAN REVIEW

An application to develop the property located at 4090 West Tilghman Street. The plan proposes to construct an 11-space addition to the existing 13-space parking lot on the 0.70-acre parcel. The property is served by public water and public sewer and is zoned Highway Commercial HC. David M. and Michele L. Paul are the owners and applicants.

1429 ECK ROAD OUTDOOR STORAGE
MAJOR PLAN 2022-109
REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY/FINAL PLAN REVIEW

An application to develop the property located at 1429 Eck Road. The plan proposes to construct a 78-trailer space parking area with 24 standard parking spaces and a guard shack on the 5.11-acre parcel. The property is to be served by public water and public sewer and is zoned Industrial Commercial-1 (Special Height Limitation) IC-1. Triple Net Investments CI, LLC is the equitable owner and applicant.

RIDGE FARM FINAL PLAN PHASE 1B
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 60 units; 14 two-unit dwelling units (7 pairs of twins); the continuation of Yellowstone Road, Road M and its intersection with Cedar Crest Boulevard, and a portion of Road H totaling 1,571 linear feet of private roads and 1,207 linear feet of new alleys; 117,173 square feet of Open Space; 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 served by public water and sewer and 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 31, June 7

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
Jun 7-8 14-15

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.
Lisa Reeser space #239
Jun 7-8,14-15

PUBLIC NOTICE

K&P Auto Parts LLC 5006 Chapmans Road, Allentown Pa 18104. Is holding a public auction for an abandoned 2017 Nissan Sdn. Vehicle Identification Number 1N4AL3AP1HC209854, on June 7 2023 at 7am.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitehall Township Legal & Legislative Committee will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

LOWHILL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
The Thursday June 8, 2023 Board of Supervisors Meeting will be held at the Fogelsville Volunteer Fire Company,7850 Lime St. Fogelsville, Pa at 6:30 pm.
Jill Seymour
Municipal Secretary
Lowhill Township, 2nd Class
Jun 7-8

PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-1

Notice is hereby provided pursuant to Sections 107, 505(a), and 506(a) of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, as amended, 53 P.S. §§ 10107, 10505(a), and 10506(a), that the Board of Supervisors of North Whitehall Township (hereinafter, "Supervisors") will hold a public hearing on the 3rd day of July, 2023, commencing at 7:00 p.m. at the North Whitehall Township Municipal Building located at 3256 Levans Road, Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037, to take public comment and input concerning the adoption of an amendment to the North Whitehall Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (hereinafter, "SALDO"). The proposed amendment is identified as Ordinance No. 2023-1 (hereinafter, "Ordinance").

Notice is also hereby provided pursuant to Section 1601(a) of the Second Class Township Code, as amended, 53 P.S. § 66601(a), that the Supervisors intend to consider passage of the Ordinance at a public meeting to be held on the 3rd day of July, 2023, commencing after the above-noted public hearing. The public meeting will take place at the North Whitehall Township municipal building located at 3256 Levans Road, Coplay, Pennsylvania 18037.

The following constitutes the title and a brief summary of the Ordinance, prepared by the Township Solicitor, that sets forth all the provisions of the Ordinance in reasonable detail in accordance with Section 506(a) of the Municipalities Planning Code, as amended, 53 P.S. § 10506(a), and Section 1601(a) of the Second Class Township Code, as amended, 53 P.S. § 66601(a).

The title of the Ordinance is "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 375-72 OF THE NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE TITLED 'OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION AREAS' TO AMEND THE AMOUNT OF RECREATIONAL LAND REQUIRED TO BE DEDICATED, AND AMENDING SECTION 204-1 OF THE NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP CODE OF ORDINANCES TITLED 'FEE ESTABLISHED' TO UPDATE THE AMOUNT OF RECREATION FEES TO BE PAID IN LIEU OF DEDICATION, AND AMENDING SECTION 375-61 OF THE NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE TITLED 'PATHWAYS AND BIKEWAYS' TO REQUIRE THE CONSTRUCTION OF WALKING TRAILS ALONG THE PERIMETER OF ALL SUBDIVISIONS AND LAND DEVELOPMENTS."

The Ordinance will become effective five (5) days after enactment. All other ordinances or parts thereof in conflict are repealed to the extent of such conflict. The Ordinance contains a Statement of Legislative Findings explaining its history, purpose, intent, and rationale and a savings clause.

The purpose of the Ordinance is to amend the SALDO and North Whitehall Township Code of Ordinances (hereinafter, "Code") to update the amount of recreation land that a developer must dedicate in connection with the approval of land developments or subdivisions, and to update the amount of fees-in-lieu of dedication a developer must pay in connection with the approval of land developments or subdivisions. The Supervisors have determined that these updates are necessary in light of changing economic and real estate market conditions. To this end, the Ordinance amends Section 375-72 of the SALDO to require that Two Thousand (2,000) square feet of recreation land be dedicated for residential developments or subdivisions and recreation land in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of total building floor area and impervious coverage be dedicated for non-residential developments or subdivisions. Similarly, the Ordinance amends Section 204-1 of the Code, which establishes the fee-in-lieu of dedication required to be paid by a developer in connection with land developments or subdivisions, to update the amount of the fee-in-lieu of dedication for residential developments or subdivisions to Thirty-Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$3,500.00) per residential lot or dwelling unit, whichever is greater, and to update the amount of the fee-in-lieu of dedication for non-residential developments or subdivisions to Thirty-Five Cents (\$0.35) per total square foot of building floor area and impervious coverage.

The Ordinance also amends Section 375-72 of the SALDO to: establish new suitability factors for recreation land proposed to be dedicated by a developer; to establish review procedures for determining the acceptability of recreation land proposed to be dedicated by a developer; to provide an opportunity for the Township Planning Commission and Recreation Board to review the suitability of recreation land proposed to be dedicated by a developer; to establish a mechanism for a developer to estimate a fee-in-lieu of dedication with subsequent confirmation of the estimation by the Township; to provide criteria for the state of recreation land proposed to be dedicated by a developer at the time of dedication; to require execution of a conservation easement on recreation land dedicated to entities other than the Township; to establish the time for dedication or payment of a fee-in-lieu of dedication; and to establish limits on the Township's use of fees-in-lieu of dedication. The Ordinance is applicable to all subdivision or land development plans submitted on or after the effective date of the Ordinance.

The Ordinance also amends Section 375-61 of the SALDO to require pathways or bikeways to be provided along the perimeter of all subdivisions or land developments and to establish the required specifications for such pathways or bikeways. The purpose of this amendment is to provide for the convenient and safe circulation of bicycles and pedestrians.

Copies of Ordinance No. 2023-1 may be examined or obtained, without charge, at the North Whitehall Township municipal building located at 3256 Levans Road, Coplay, PA 18037, during normal business hours, Monday through Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. In addition, and in accordance with Section 506(a)(1)-(2) of the MPC, as amended, 53 P.S. § 10506(a)(1)-(2), and Section 1601(a.1) of the Second Class Township Code, as amended, 53 P.S. § 6601(a.1), the full text of the Ordinance have been filed in the Lehigh County Department of Law (Lehigh County Government Center, 17 S. 7th Street, Allentown, PA) and supplied to The Morning Call newspaper.

NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
THOMAS H. DINKELACKER, TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR
Jun 7-8,14-15

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners will hold a Regular Public Meeting on Monday, June 12, 2023 in the Public Meeting Room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road to discuss and take action on the below listed legislation.

ORDINANCES

- 1. BILL NO. 20-2023 (SECOND HEARING)
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR THE SALE OF WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP REAL PROPERTY LOCATED ON MACARTHUR ROAD IN WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 AND 3.24 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF THE CONVEYANCE OF LAND FROM THE TOWNSHIP BY ORDINANCE
2. BILL NO. 21-2023
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR PURCHASE OF A FIRE DEPARTMENT SKID UNIT 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. (FIRE)
3. BILL NO. 22-2023
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR PURCHASE OF A NEW HYDRAULIC DETACHABLE GOOSENECK TRAILER 35 TON PAVER SPECIAL FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE (PUBLIC WORKS)
4. BILL NO. 23-2023
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR PURCHASE OF A 2023 FREIGHTLINER DAY CAB TRACTOR HEAVY HAULER FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (PUBLIC WORKS)
5. BILL NO. 24-2023
TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15, SECTION 17 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, ESTABLISHING ADDITIONAL "ONE WAY ONLY ALLEYS" AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS ALONG PUBLIC ALLEYS IN THE EGYPT AREA OF THE TOWNSHIP. (DEVELOP)

RESOLUTIONS

- 1. RESOLUTION NO. 3265
TITLE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP TO ENTER INTO A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND GENERAL RELEASE REGARDING SECTIONS OF CORRUGATED METAL PIPE IN THE AREA KNOWN AS TWO MARYLAND CIRCLE, WITH COPLAY-WHITEHALL SEWER AUTHORITY, SCHEUERMAN EXCAVATING, INC., AND SSM GROUP, INC. (ADMIN/BOC)

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

June 7

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE OF JOHN E. ENGLERT** deceased, late of North Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary on the above named estate have been granted to the undersigned who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **PAMELA ZECHMAN, Executor**, c/o Frank W. Yandrisevits, Esq., 24 W. 21st Street, Suite 105, Northampton, PA 18067 or to their Attorney, FRANK W. YANDRISEVITS, ESQ., 24 W. 21st Street, Suite 105, Northampton, PA 18067. June 7, 14, 21

## 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, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, without delay, to the executors or to their attorneys named below:  
Decedent: **KATHLEEN J. HOFFERT**  
Date of Death: March 24, 2023  
Late of: Bethlehem, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania

**Executor: Walter R. Hoffert, Jr.**  
c/o William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire  
211 W. Broad Street  
Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517  
Attorney: William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire  
211 W. Broad Street  
Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517  
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Decedent: **FRANCES FARALDO, a/k/a FRANCES C. FARALDO**  
Date of Death: November 25, 2022  
Late of: Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania

**Executor: Anthony Falardo**  
c/o William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire  
211 W. Broad Street  
Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517  
Attorney: William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire  
211 W. Broad Street  
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Decedent: **MARIE COLLIER**  
Date of Death: April 12, 2023  
Late of: Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania

**Executor: Michael Secula**  
c/o William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire  
211 W. Broad Street  
Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517  
Attorney: William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire  
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Decedent: **RONALD J. FREED**  
Date of Death: March 12, 2023  
Late of: Slattington, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania  
Administrator: Dana L. Freed  
Jenna Lynn Freed  
c/o William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire  
211 W. Broad Street  
Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517  
Attorney: William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire  
211 W. Broad Street  
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Decedent: **DOROTHY R. FERNANDES**  
Date of Death: March 20, 2023  
Late of: Bethlehem, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania

**Administrator: Deborah Ann Fernandes**  
Charles P. Fernandes  
Donna Marie Fernandes  
c/o William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire  
211 W. Broad Street  
Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517  
Attorney: William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire  
211 W. Broad Street  
Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE NOTICE**  
Estate of Joseph L. Bauer, a/k/a Joseph Bauer, deceased, late of Hanover Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to Jonathan Bauer, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent make payment without delay to: Santanasto Law, 210 E. Broad Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018. May 31-Jun 1, 7-8, 14-15

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**Estate of Elizabeth A. Hauler, a/k/a Elizabeth Ann Hauler** of the City of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.  
**Executor: Richard J. Hauler, Executor**  
c/o Christopher P. Coval, Esquire  
Fenningham, Dempster & Coval LLP  
Five Neshaminy Interplex, Suite 315  
Trevose, PA 19053  
Phone #: (215) 639-4070  
**Attorney: Christopher P. Coval, Esquire**  
Fenningham, Dempster & Coval LLP  
Five Neshaminy Interplex, Suite 315  
Trevose, PA 19053  
(215) 639-4070  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE NOTICE**  
Estate of John R. Gioielli, deceased, late of North Catasauqua, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:  
Jennifer Luckenbach and Ralph J. Gioielli, Executors  
c/o Stephen A. Strack, Esquire  
Steckel and Stopp LLC  
125 S Walnut Street, Suite 210  
Slattington, PA 18080  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**Estate of Ethel Mary a/k/a Ethel Glass**, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:  
**Pamela Ann Gerancher a/k/a Pamela Gerancher**  
c/o Steckel and Stopp LLC  
Executrix or to their Attorney, Steckel and Stopp, By: Keith W. Strohl, Esquire at 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slattington, PA 18080.  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE OF ELIZBETH A. FROMMER** deceased, late of Whitehall Township, Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:  
Lois A. Steward  
c/o Keith W. Strohl, Esquire  
Steckel and Stopp, LLC  
125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210  
Slattington, PA 18080  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE NOTICE**  
Estate of Robert A. Muschitz, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:  
Stifel Trust Company, N.A., Executor  
c/o Keith W. Strohl, Esquire  
Steckel and Stopp, LLC  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**Notice of Self Storage Sale**  
Please take notice Nazareth Pike Self Storage 173 Nazareth Pike, Bethlehem, PA 18020 intends to hold a public sale to the highest bidder of the property stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via [www.storage-treasures.com](http://www.storage-treasures.com) on 6/20/2023 at 11:00AM. Charmayne Richline unit #105; Anthony Braxton unit #170; Crystal Legrand unit #177; Global Enterprises C Jerry Miles unit #217; William Fenstermaker unit #280; Matthew McAllister unit #327; Brian Kovacs unit #408; Jevon Pryce unit #423; Mighel Ortiz unit #446; Jimmy Green unit #621; Shonta Smith unit #697; Joshua Wynn unit #730; Andy Pineda unit #733. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply.  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE NOTICE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in the **Estate of INGEBORG W. WALTER** of Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, the Register of Wills has granted Letters Testamentary, 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:  
**Barry C. George**  
6612 Holly Rd.  
Allentown, PA 18106  
Or to his attorney:  
Curtis C. Creveling, Esq.  
CAPPELLINI LAW  
4525 Spring Hill Dr., Ste 4  
Schnecksville, PA 18078  
610-435-8711  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE NOTICE**  
Estate of Robert Alexander Elder, deceased, late of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Testamentary have been granted to Dana Elder, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent make payment without delay to: Santanasto Law, 210 E. Broad Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018. May 31-Jun 1, 7-8, 14-15

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE OF James W. Cook**, late of Lower Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to John F. Kulik, 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 John Kulik, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105 or their Attorney, Larry R. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105. May 24-25, 31-Jun 1, 7-8

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**Estate of Carole M. Derricott**, late of Catasauqua, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Joanne L. Hafner, Executrix, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105 or her Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105. May 24-25, 31-Jun 1, 7-8

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE OF Barbara A. Ballato**, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Kimberley Ballato, Executrix, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105 or her Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105. Jun 7-8, 14-15, 21-22

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**Estate of Thomas W. Loetzbeier**, late of Moore Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to Lisa Jane Loetzbeier, 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 Lisa Jane Loetzbeier, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355 Allentown, PA 18105, or their Attorney, Larry R. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355 Allentown, PA 18105. Jun 7-8, 14-15, 21-22

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE NOTICE**  
**Estate of DOROTHY A. ROTHROCK**, deceased, late of Coopersburg, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the individual named below, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make payment to:  
**DONNA H. MICHAEL, EXECUTRIX**  
c/o Eric R. Strauss, Esquire  
**WORTH, MAGEE & FISHER, P.C.**  
2610 Walbert Avenue  
Allentown, PA 18104  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**Estate of Mary R. Jandrasits a/k/a Mary Jandrasits**, deceased, late of Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:  
**Joseph C. Jandrasits and Jane Marie Gartner, Co-Executors**  
c/o Emily A. Zettlemoyer  
53 North Third Street  
Emmaus, PA 18049  
or to their attorney:  
Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esq.  
53 North Third Street  
Emmaus, PA 18049  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**Estate of Linda J. Taylor**, deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:  
**Melissa J. Taylor, Executor**  
c/o Emily A. Zettlemoyer  
53 North Third Street  
Emmaus, PA 18049  
or to her attorney:  
Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esq.  
53 North Third Street  
Emmaus, PA 18049  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**Estate of Kathy Kim Stewart**, deceased, late of Trexlertown, Lehigh County, 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:  
**Scott Allen Stewart, Administrator**  
c/o Emily A. Zettlemoyer  
53 North Third Street  
Emmaus, PA 18049  
or to his attorney:  
Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esq.  
53 North Third Street  
Emmaus, PA 18049  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE NOTICE**  
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**ESTATE OF: NANCY JANE SCHRADER**  
**DATE OF DEATH: MARCH 15, 2023**  
Late of Bethlehem, County of Northampton  
**CO-ADMINISTRATORS**  
**David B. Nemeth**  
2942 Mallard Court  
Nazareth, PA 18064  
**Pam Solomon**  
3686 Lehigh Drive  
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