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'It's not a panacea'

New law would require lost or stolen guns reported in 24 hours

By **DOUG GRAVES**
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Bethlehem City Council voted July 6 to consider a proposal to require owners of firearms that have been stolen or lost to report the fact to the police. The proposal would modify the current Article 725, "Discharging Firearms," which carries a penalty of a \$600 fine or imprisonment of not more than 90 days.

City Council referred the proposal to the Public Safety Committee for its recommendation.

Introduced by Council President Robert Donchez and Councilman William Reynolds, the proposal will, if enacted into law, put Bethlehem in concert with neighboring cities that have passed laws designed to thwart the illegal use of "strawmen" with no criminal record who buy guns legally then feloniously turn them over to a person who cannot legally buy the guns.

Supporters of such an ordinance consider it an important step in reducing the availability of guns to criminals who can use the front person or strawman to buy guns that the ultimate possessor cannot legally buy.

"It's not a panacea," said Reynolds. "It's not an infringement on any gun owner's rights. It's another tool to go after strawman purchases."

Reynolds said that in August 2006 Bethlehem Police Officer Steven Marks had been shot twice by a 21-year-old man with a stolen gun while Marks was investigating a robbery. Officer Marks survived the incident, but the gunman did not.

Allentown has, according to published accounts, passed a similar ordinance which is not being enforced because Lehigh County Dis-

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'Glory days'

Roy named new supt.

By **DOUG GRAVES**
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Bethlehem Area School Board held a special meeting July 12 at Broughal MS to hire a new district superintendent.

The school board voted unanimously to welcome Joseph J. Roy, Ed. D. to lead the school district for an annual salary of \$165,000.

Although 15 applicants sought the job, the search committee selected only Roy to introduce to the public in a round of meetings last month.

School Director Michael Faccinnetto, who was leading Boy Scouts in New Mexico, sent a message supporting the decision and welcoming Roy.

"You have my full support," said Faccinnetto. He said that Roy has all of the qualities that the school district needs.

Roy will start his duties on or about Aug. 16 at which time he will assume control of the school district from Thomas E. Persing, who has served as an interim superintendent since Joseph A. Lewis resigned in 2009.

Persing, a former Dieruff HS wrestling coach and a colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps, won high praise from the school board for his inspiring leadership during the past school year

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PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Bethlehem friends Abraham Atiyeh and Grayson Rudolph celebrate the Bethlehem Skateplaza's opening.

Skateplaza opening draws sports enthusiasts

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

July 16 was a busy day on the city's Southside environs. The same day the Sands Casino Resort Bethlehem was testing table games, Bethlehem officials dedicated the initial phase of the Bethlehem Skateplaza to an overwhelming reception by elected officials, neighbors, parents and extreme sports participants. The Skateplaza is across the street from the Sands main entrance on Daly Avenue.

And, as city and state officials made their perfunctory dedication remarks, a burgeoning crowd of young skateboarders and BMX bikers pressed the two city



Mayor John Callahan conducts the ceremonial bicycle chain cutting as state DCNR advisor Lorne Possinger and City of Bethlehem Parks and Public Property Director Ralph Carp hold the chain in place.

police officers who were stationed to control entry into the facility, in anticipation of putting their wheels to the concrete and steel of the pristine facility.

City Director of Parks and Public Property Ralph Carp noted that the project took seven years to become a reality, and thanked funding partners, community supporters and Mayor John Callahan for "never wavering in his support for the project."

Callahan called it a "great day for the city" and issued a special thank you to City Council for supporting the funding allocations necessary to advance the first phase

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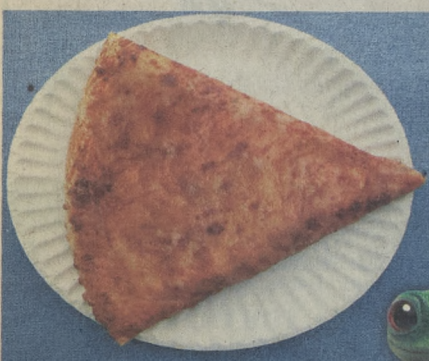
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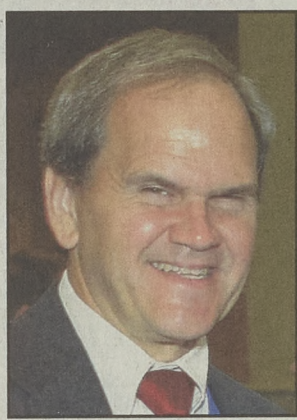
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District manager, Bethlehem Social Security office

Q&A



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to earn enough Social Security credits (40) to be insured for retirement benefits, he or she may be eligible to receive benefits as a spouse. To learn more about retirement, visit www.socialsecurity.gov/retirement.

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An overview of the Skateplaza dedication action July 16.

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of construction. He encouraged the throng waiting to test the facility saying, "Recreate and enjoy the sport that you love."

As they waited for the official opening a helmeted 10-year-old Anthony Bove called the Skateplaza "awesome" while safety-equipped skateboarding pals, 8-year-old Abraham

Atiyeh and 9-year-old Grayson Rudolph exclaimed, "It's sick!"

After a ceremonial bicycle chain cutting and skateboard breaking by Callahan, Carp, Home-Base SkateShop owner Andy Po, and state Department of Conservation and Natural Resources advisor Lorne Possinger, the gates swung open and hundreds of young people swarmed the jumps and ramps for the first time.

Chip Rohrbach, vice president of project contractor F. A. Rohrbach, Inc., was among those in attendance and observed, "How cool it is to see one of your projects enjoyed by so many people; it's very rewarding."

As musical entertainment by Sandlot Heroes provided a backdrop to the Skateplaza opening, city staff were already looking to the next phase of the Skateplaza by accepting donations and

offering raffle tickets. With the initial phase carrying a price tag of \$750,000 much fundraising effort remains to complete the park. Officials are hopeful that completion of the first phase will generate corporate interest in sponsorships.

The Skateplaza will be open daily from dawn to dusk and will be under camera surveillance. General Skateplaza rules and waiver are posted next to the entrance gates.



Skating and biking enthusiasts crowd into the Skateplaza for the first time.



Ten-year-old Anthony Bove winds his way through a sea of people on his skateboard.



Twenty-year-old Kyle Dalrymple of Bethlehem performs a tail block maneuver on the 'volcano.'

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Wednesday, July 21

BAPL Main Library, 10:30 a.m., pre-schoolers stories and crafts, 11 W. Church St. Call 610-867-3761, ext. 499 or 610-867-7852 to register.

Hellertown Borough Zoning Hearing Board meeting, 6:30 p.m., 685 Main St.

Freemansburg Borough Parks and Recreation meeting, 7 p.m., 600 Monroe St.

Bethlehem Township Municipal Authority meeting, 7 p.m. Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Ave.

Fountain Hill Borough Council work session, 7 p.m., 941 Long St.

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

Panel talk on **L.V. sustainability**, 7 to 9 p.m. at Northampton Community College's South Side Bethlehem campus (Fowler Family Center), 511 E. Third St., Room 621. Free. Call 484-851-3910 or visit www.sustainLV.org.

BAPL Main Library, 7 p.m., Beads and Bbling for hair-braiding and jewelry making, 11 W. Church St. Call 610-867-3761, ext. 499 or 610-867-7852 to register.

Wesley United Methodist Church, 2450 Center St., 7 p.m., hosts Army Colonel (Ret.) and former State Department diplomat Ann Wright. Wright is the co-author of "Dissent: Voices of Conscience," a compilation of stories of men and women who risked careers, reputations and even freedom out of loyalty to the Constitution and the rule of law. Donations appreciated. The event is sponsored by Veterans For Peace — Lehigh Valley chapter and Peace and Justice Across Borders. 484-553-9476 or visit www.pjab.net.

Thursday, July 22

Hanover Township Zoning Hearing meeting, 7 p.m., Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road

Monday, July 26

Bethlehem Area School Board regular meeting, 7 p.m. at East Hills MS auditorium, 2005 Chester Road

Bethlehem Township Planning Commission meeting, 7 p.m., the Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Ave.

Amnesty International USA, Group 437, 7 p.m., Central Moravian Church's Christian Ed building, 40 W. Church St. Call 610-866-2655 for information.

Tuesday, July 27

Mock Turtle Tuesdays, "Book, Beast and Puppet," 10 a.m., Charles A. Brown Ice House, 56 River St., Sand Island. Cost. Call 610-867-8208.

Mayor's Southside Task Force, 4 p.m., Concordia Lutheran Church, 1240 E. Fourth St. Call 610-865-4695.

BAPL Main Library, 7 p.m., Family Fun Night, 11 W. Church St. Call 610-867-3761, ext. 499 or 610-867-7852 to register.

Freemansburg Zoning meeting, 7 p.m. at 600 Monroe St.

Hanover Township Supervisors meeting, 7 p.m., Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road

Saucun Valley School Board meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Audion Building, 2097 Polk Valley Road

Wednesday, July 28

BAPL Main Library, 11 a.m., fourth and fifth grade book discussion, 11 W. Church St. Call 610-867-3761, ext. 499 or 610-867-7852 to register.

Bethlehem Parking Authority meeting, 4:30 p.m., 85 W. No. St.

Bethlehem City Council meeting, 7 p.m., Town Hall, 10 E. Church St.

Bethlehem Township Zoning Hearing meeting, 7 p.m., Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Ave.

BAPL Main Library, 7 p.m., goofy games, 11 W. Church St. Call 610-867-3761, ext. 499 or 610-867-7852 to register.

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and for developing esprit de corps in both the teachers and administrators.

School Board President Loretta Leeson called the occasion "a historical event."

"We are turning a new page on the Bethlehem Area School District," Leeson said. "Dr. Roy has a propensity for hard work and an ability to inspire people to want to work for him."

"We are ready to get back to the glory days of Bethlehem Area School District," she added.

School Director Aurea Ortiz said, "Dr. Roy is a man who will bring our different cultures together."

School Director Judith Dexter was also full of praise for Roy, saying that she had visited former schools where Roy has taught; she said that former colleagues had reported that Roy is "honest, fair and accessible."

"They told me, 'You are so lucky.'"

School Director William Burkhardt said that Roy had served in a "spectacular manner" when he was the assistant principal at Liberty HS. Burkhardt said that he had been on the interviewing team that hired Roy for his first teaching job as a social studies teacher at Emmaus HS. "We were very impressed," said Burkhardt. "We hired him immediately after the interview."

School Director Irene Follweiler, chair of school board's Human Resources Committee, in a prepared statement called Roy, "the best choice for Bethlehem." Follweiler said that of the many candidates interviewed, Roy had not only the necessary qualifications, but also the lead-

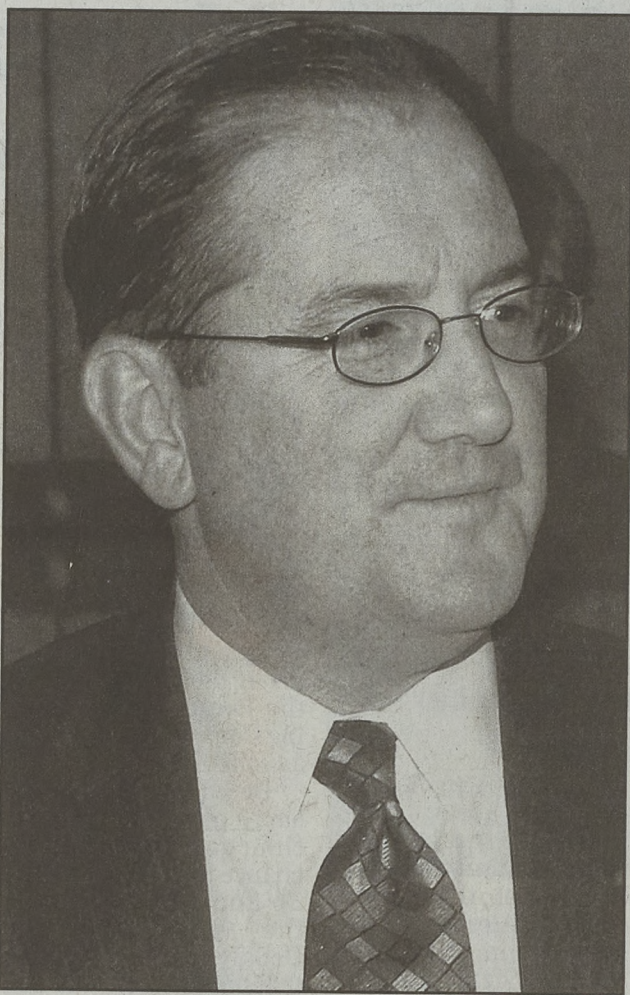


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The Bethlehem Area School Board convened a special session July 12 to hire Joseph J. Roy, Ed. D., as the district's new superintendent for an annual salary of \$165,000.

ership qualities and enthusiasm the school directors believe "are critical for the district during these challenging times."

Roy was seated in the audience as the school board voted. When Leeson invited him to speak, he said, "I am humbled." He thanked the school board for its confidence in him.

In later comments to The Press, Roy focused on the financial challenges that he will have to address saying that the school district had overspent and had used their savings which had hurt the financial integrity of

the district.

He said that he wants to make the public aware of the positive things about the school district. "They have gone through a lot of negative publicity," he said.

In a previous interview with The Press, Roy said he would be paying close attention to getting the district's curricula aligned with state standards. He said that he believes that getting the district's two high schools making AYP or Annual Yearly Progress is a function of getting the curricula in accordance with state standards.

He also emphasized his

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LORETTA LEESON

commitment to diversity, a goal that Ortiz had earlier lauded.

He told The Press last month that he is a proponent of "restorative practices," an approach to school discipline advocated by the Bethlehem-based International Institute for Restorative Practices headed by Ted Wachtel, the co-author of the 1982 book "Tough Love."

In a related matter, the school district recently announced plans to revise its Code of Conduct.

Besides having served as Liberty HS's assistant principal, Roy taught in the East Penn School District and was the principal at Palisades HS in Bucks County. He was also the principal at Springfield Township HS in Montgomery County, where he also served as the district's assistant superintendent. He is finishing his tenure as principal for Upper Moreland HS in Willow Grove.

Roy is a graduate of Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster and holds a master's in educational administration from Bucknell University. His doctorate is from Lehigh University.

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Edward J. Tatham, 84, of Bethlehem, died June 18, 2010, at St. Luke's Hospital following a brief illness.



Born in Pawtucket, R.I., he was a son of the late Arthur and Margaret (Johnston) Tatham. He was the husband of Doris (Thomas) Tatham for 64 years.

He was a 1943 graduate of Newton HS, Newton, N.J.

He served in the Air Force as a central fire control officer on a B29 bomber from 1944 to 1946.

He worked for Bethlehem Steel Corporation's Homer Research Laboratory for 39 years. He retired in 1985 as chief draftsman in the engineering services department.

He was a sacristan at Central Moravian Church.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Edward and Thomas; and five grandchildren, Joshua, Amy, Sarah, Jennifer and Jasmine.

Contributions may be made to Central Moravian Church, 73 West Church St., Bethlehem, PA 18018.

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

Louise K. (Jeuter) Palencar

Lehigh University retiree

Louise K. (Jeuter) Palencar, 87, of Bethlehem, died June 24, 2010 at Cedar Brook-Fountain Hill, Bethlehem. Born in Allentown, she was the daughter of the late Louise (Kohl) and Charles Jeuter. She was married to the late George R. Palencar for 65 years.

She worked for Lehigh University for 15 years retiring in 1985.

She is survived by two daughters, Karen Krajczar of Bethlehem and Jane and her husband

Robert Vanim of Emmaus, a twin sister, Elise and her husband Charles Staub of Wilmington, Del.; three grandchildren, Aleshea Maurer, Mark Vanim and the Rev. J.R. Krajczar; and two great-grandchildren, Annalise and Daniel.

Contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association — Lehigh Valley branch, 617-A Main St., Hellertown, PA 18055.

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

Irene W. Williams

formerly of Bethlehem

Irene E. Williams, 89, formerly of Bethlehem, died June 21, 2010 at Manor Care I, Bethlehem.



Born in Shenandoah, she was the daughter of the late Charles Parfitt and Hannah (Clark) Parfitt Beecroft. She was the wife of the late William Williams.

She worked for Food Fair and Pantry Pride on Steffen Boulevard, Bethlehem for many years.

She was a member of St. Stephen's Evangelical

Lutheran Church, Bethlehem.

She was a member of the retail clerks union, Autumn Club and a life member of Point Phillips Rod and Gun Club.

She is survived by two nieces; two nephews; a sister-in-law; and their children.

She was predeceased by a sister, Helen Bolash; and two brothers, Charles Parfitt and Theodore Parfitt Sr.

Contributions may be made to the church, 67 W. Washington Ave., Bethlehem, PA 18018.

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Virginia DelGrosso Mohr

Holy Ghost parishioner

Virginia DelGrosso Mohr, 91, of Bath, passed away June 22, 2010 in St. Luke's Hospice. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late John J. and Gertrude (Miller) Heidecker. She was the wife of the late John DelGrosso and the late LeRoy Mohr.



She was employed in the dietary department of the Good Shepherd Home for 20 years before retiring in 1980.

She was a member of the University Parish of Holy Ghost.

She was a member of the Bethlehem Senior Center.

She is survived by a daughter, Anna Marie and her husband, John Zieger of Bethlehem; a son, Thomas and his wife Carolyn of Bethlehem; a sister, Gertrude Knouse of Bethlehem; a granddaughter, Donna and her husband Kevin Genevise and their children Anthony and Aaron; and three grandsons, David and his wife Laura Zieger, John and his wife Stephanie DelGrosso and their daughter Angela, and Michael and his wife Jennifer DelGrosso and their children Trey and Tessa.

She was predeceased by a brother, Bernard Heidecker; and a grandson, Thomas DelGrosso.

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

Moises Negron

Holy Infancy member

Moises Negron, 50, of Bethlehem died July 2, 2010 at his residence surrounded by his loving family. Born on in Bayamon, P.R., he was the son of the late Adolfo Negron Sr. and Carmen D. (Morales) Negron of Bethlehem.

He was a member of Holy Infancy Church, Bethlehem.

He is survived by two sisters, Carmen H. Negron and Raquel Betancourt,

both of Bethlehem; three brothers, Julio C. Negron of Bethlehem, David Negron of New Jersey, and Alfredo Negron of Missouri and extended family.

Contributions may be made to the Hospice of the VNA of St. Luke's, 1510 Valley Center Parkway, Suite 200, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

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

Nonprofits reap proceeds

Jobs, revenue make Sands' table games a winner

By DANA GRUBB
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Sands Casino Resort Bethlehem officially kicked off the era of table games in Bethlehem July 18, as more than 100 players waited for the 8 a.m. start.

After an eight hour test run Friday, July 16, Sands President Robert DeSalvio said that everything went well and that the following afternoon the casino was given the green light by the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board to open as scheduled.

DeSalvio said that the early morning starting time gave the casino a chance to "get everything up and running before the noon crowds." DeSalvio also explained that both charter and line bus runs would begin arriving at 9 a.m. and he expected about 1,500 table games players to be on these buses for the opening day.

One of the first to play was Bethlehem resident John Putter, who said he favors poker and craps. Putter, who registered early for a seat at one of the dozen tables in the poker lounge, had only been to the Sands once on the prior Sunday to scout the table games layout. "It's a good idea, the Sands needed it," he said about the legalized table games and he added, "it's going to bring more people."

In addition to the demand at the poker tables, where you can buy in for a \$20 or \$60 minimum, within 15 minutes several craps and blackjack tables were surrounded with enthusiastic players and casual observers.

Casino, elected and state gaming officials kicked off the Sands Casino Resort Bethlehem's test run for its 89 table games July 16.

With state Sen. Lisa Boscola, D-District 18, Mayor John Callahan and Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board Chairman Gregory Fajt at his side, DeSalvio looked elated as the eight hour test run got underway.

"This is such a pleasure to add jobs and add an amenity that people have been asking for since we opened," said DeSalvio.

Boscola added, "This certainly seems like a casino now" and she praised Lehigh Valley legislators for devising a casino revenue-sharing plan that will benefit communities throughout the region.

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tributary Attorney James Martin has reportedly said he would tell the Allentown Police Department that his office will not enforce the law.

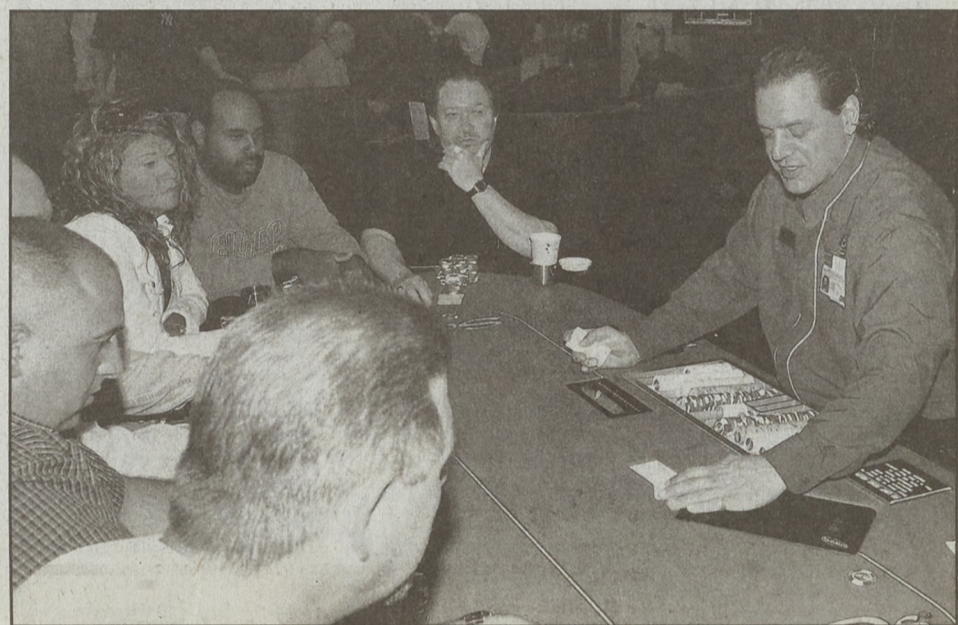
Lehigh County District Attorney spokesperson Debbie Garlicky told The Press that Martin would instruct the City of Bethlehem police chief not to enforce the ordinance, if passed, in that part of Bethlehem that is in Lehigh County.

Allentown's Associate City Solicitor John Marchetto would not comment on the lack of enforcement except to say that his office was not involved



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

State Sen. Lisa Boscola, D-District 18, did the honors with a ceremonial first roll of the dice on a craps table at the Sands Casino Resort Bethlehem's table games test day July 16. Joining her were Sands director of table games Jack Kennedy, Mayor John Callahan and Sands President Robert DeSalvio.



John Putter of Bethlehem was one of the first to play July 18 at the opening of the Sands Casino Resort Bethlehem's table games. Putter, seated to the dealer's right, played at a no limit hold'em poker table. Putter said he had been waiting for the advent of poker and craps at the Sands. Here he ponders his next move.

Both Callahan and Fajt concentrated their remarks on the 400 jobs that are being created as a result of table games coming online at the Sands. Fajt noted that 12,000 new jobs have been created statewide because of gaming, while Callahan praised the synergy of casino-related employment opportunities for both the advent of table games and the restart of construction on the casino's hotel project.

South Side Task Force chairman Roger Hudak, who also attended the test day kick off, called it a

"banner day for south Bethlehem" recognizing that both the Sands event and the SkatePlaza dedication were scheduled on the same day and just across the street from each other.

However, the real beneficiaries of the test-day event were the 17 local nonprofit organizations who will reap the rewards from the test-day proceeds after the state share of gaming income has been paid. Players were limited to \$5 wagers during the eight hour test.

Of the 89 total table games, 52 have been desig-

nated as smoking and 37 as non-smoking. Seventy-seven are located on the main gaming floor and 12 have been placed in an adjacent high limit room.

For the official opening of table games July 18, players were able to chose from among blackjack, craps, poker, roulette, baccarat and Pai Gow poker.

Jack Kennedy, director of table games at the Sands, said he was "confident in the staff and logistics" in anticipation of the start of the new table gaming offerings.

in the issue of enforcing the city ordinance.

Northampton County District Attorney John Morganello reportedly will not enforce the proposed city ordinance because of staffing constraints, though his office did not return phone calls asking for confirmation.

Mayor John Callahan, who supports the proposed ordinance, told The Press that it is possible that the Northampton County district attorney could deputize the city's solicitor and that such action would allow the city to prosecute under the proposed ordinance.

Easton Mayor Sal Panto reportedly is planning to reintroduce a similar ordinance though his office did not immediately

return call asking for confirmation.

On June 25, the state Supreme Court issued an order that allows Philadelphia's lost or stolen handgun reporting ordinance to stand. The ruling gives new incentives to cities and towns to take action to require owners of lost or stolen guns to report the fact to local police.

At least one Bethlehem City councilman, however, doesn't plan to support the measure.

"It's not worth listening to," said David DiGiacinto. DiGiacinto said he would have to be convinced that it would stand up to legal challenge. He said that he was unaware that Donchez and Reynolds had planned to introduce the ordinance.

DiGiacinto was not at the city council meeting July 6 when council voted to put the measure on the agenda.

In 2005, Reading Police Officer Scott A. Wertz was shot twice in the chest and killed by Cletus Rivera who was using a gun he bought from a Northampton man, Jarad Tomline. Tomline had purchased it from a since closed gun shop in Coopersburg. Tomline was sentenced to 21 months in federal prison. He admitted to selling 10 guns illegally from 2003 to 2006.

The National Rifle Association, on its Web site, references the Philadelphia case, which it characterizes as a local attempt to restrict "strawman" purchases for transferring guns to unauthorized users. The NRA describes the case as "schemes by anti-gun politicians" to infringe on the rights of gun owners.

Those who advocate reporting a lost or stolen gun generally argue that once a gun is lost or stolen, Second Amendment protections do not apply to that situation.

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Zoners welcome new member

By H.L.STONE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Bethlehem Township Zoning Hearing Board welcomed its newest member to his first official meeting June 30. Richard S. Pelizzoni, fortuitously named (Pelizzoni...zoning...get it?) a four-year township resident took part in zoning proceedings where he brought to bear his 25 some years experience as a civil engineer.

Originally from North Plainfield, N.J., Pelizzoni continues to work in that state; however, he said he feels the desire to be useful to the local area too: "I like to give back to the community somehow."

Pelizzoni has taught civil technology at Union College in New Jersey for the past 19 years. "I work at it by day, and I teach by night," he said. Although he's committed to his profession, he says being on the zoning hearing board is a welcome change from the day to day work he does.

Pelizzoni and the rest of the Bethlehem Township zoners were asked to grant

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several variances, including one for the proposed St. Luke's barn restoration. The project centers on converting a now dilapidated barn at the southeast corner of Route 33 and Hope Road South into a small conference center or all purpose auditorium to be used primarily for the hospital's seminars and classes. The barn currently has no running water and stands isolated in an open field, a private driveway its only access.

Anita Kingsbauer, executive director of St. Luke's Riverside Campus along with David Tetterer of Keystone Consulting Engineers, Inc., civil engineer for the project, appeared before the zoning board seeking a variance for zoning section 2902c, which requires the building to hook up to municipal water and sewer services. Instead, St. Luke's wants to provide a well for the property.

Connection to municipal services would mean extending pipes more than 1,000

feet from the property at an estimated cost of \$35 to \$40,000, which is prohibitive at this time, Tetterer said, for the small capacity of the barn and the limited proposed development, although he did mention that the area will eventually be developed further.

Kingsbauer and Tetterer offered to make municipal hook up mandatory in the case of any future development, and township ZHB President Stephen Szy took them up on the offer, making it a condition of the variance, which the board then granted.

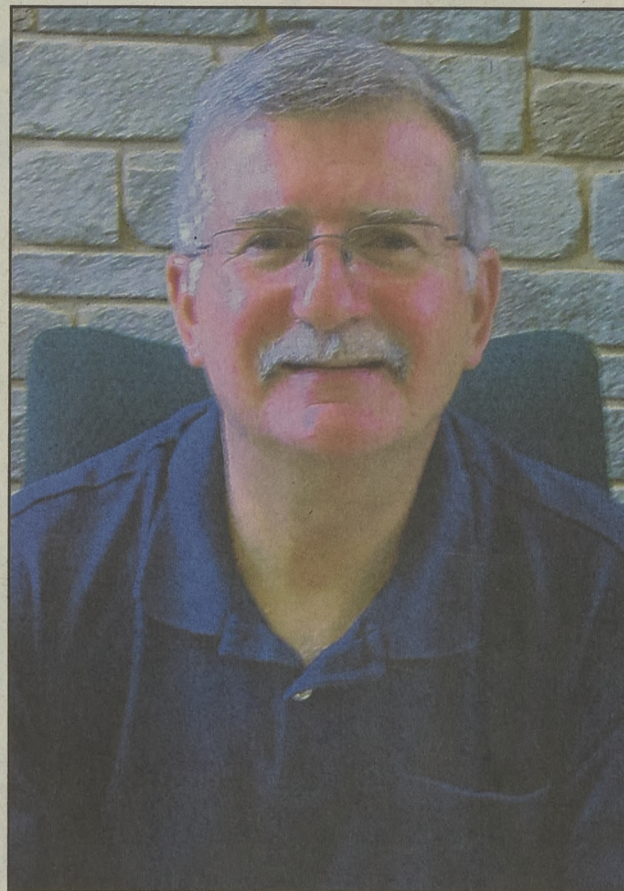
The board also granted a variance for 10 parking spaces to owner John Donnelly of Sentry Bethlehem Associates LP for his property at 6th and Freemansburg Avenue. The building, with Eakman's as its anchor store, has been a mixed-use property since the late 1950s including retail space, offices and apartments. The property requires a minimum of 51 parking spaces under its cur-

rent use; however, according to Donnelly has only ever had 41 spaces.

Szy, familiar with the property, says he's never heard of any parking problems there, but if there would be any tenant changes that require additional parking, Donnelly would have to approach the board for a new decision.

Finally, the Berdux family is soon to be the proud owners of a second floor deck, where they can enjoy the outside through French doors and take shelter from the sun on the covered patio below. A variance for 10 feet of the 25-foot setback requirement was granted by the board for the corner property at 1800 Vintage Drive and Farmersville Road. Because the house sits on a teardrop-shaped, quarter-acre lot, it doesn't have the full setback required.

Szy said every corner property in the township has the same problem and found no reason to deny the variance.



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Richard S. Pelizzoni, Bethlehem Township's new zoning board member, heard cases at his first public meeting, June 30. Pelizzoni brings extensive experience in civil engineering and technology to the township's table in efforts to give back to the community.

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Health Bureau budget sickens council

By **BERNIE O'HARE**
Special to the Bethlehem Press

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Got public health? That's what dominated discussion during Northampton County Council's July 15 meeting, attended by all nine members. Just the day before, they were provided with the actual contributions expected from Lehigh and Northampton counties for a Lehigh Valley regional health bureau. It's \$250,000 from each county in 2011, followed by \$500,000 in 2012, and \$550,000 in 2013-15.

"If you'd want to buy stock based on this proposal, I'm not available for any shares," noted a dubious Council President Ron Angle. Angle's doubts were shared by

Councilman Lamont McClure, a public health opponent who previously has boycotted all meetings of the LV Health Commission. McClure, who insisted it is time to reject the proposal, said, "We have never been able to pin them down on what they'd actually do."

But County Executive John Stoffa had a different view. "If I were the king, I would mothball the project. I wouldn't vote on it. I would put it aside. I would not negate all the work that's been done, but I think I would wait a year or so to see if the economy changes."

Council members Michael Dowd and Peg

Ferraro, who formerly advocated a bi-county health department, accepted Stoffa's argument. "I'm not prepared to vote 'yes' based on what I've seen. But once you say 'no,' it tends to be no forever," noted Dowd.

Speaking of health, council members also wrestled with the increasing cost of workplace injuries.

Thirty percent of Northampton County's staffers have filed claims within the last year. That's three times the 10 to 12 percent average among county workers. It certainly explains why workers compensation costs have skyrocketed from

\$1.8 to \$2.9 million over the last two years. Because the county has been self-insured since 1986, that's money out of taxpayers' pockets.

Council voted unanimously to hire PMA Management Corp, of Blue Bell, as a new administrator for workers comp claims at a cost of \$225,000 over the next three years. PMA was the lowest of four bidders, and \$50,000 lower than the county's current third-party administrator. The county can opt out of the contract with 30 days notice if no savings are realized.

Council's next meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Aug. 5 at 669 Washington St., Easton.

AREA POLICE Fugitive

DUI

Fountain Hill Police arrested Jason Grossman, 22, of Bethlehem, for driving while intoxicated around 1:30 a.m. June 19.

According to police, Grossman was observed operating a vehicle in an unsafe manner, weaving around the street and crossing the yellow line into the other lane. He was pulled over in the 1500 block of Broadway and subjected to field sobriety tests after officers detected the smell of alcohol on his breath.

He allegedly failed each test and is charged with DUI.

Police found and arrested a man wanted in Newark, N.J., the evening of June 23.

According to police, around 5:10 p.m. an officer stopped a vehicle near the Third Street/Route 378 ramp on the Southside and the passenger gave conflicting personal identification information about himself and others in the car. Having no ID on him, the passenger said his name was "Ahmad Hughes" but the officer was able to ID him truly through photo and fingerprint data as Ali Tariq Woods.

The 21-year-old was listed on the top 12 most wanted list in Newark for a homicide.

Woods is charged with false ID to law enforcement, unsworn falsification and fugitive from justice. He was committed to Northampton County Prison to await court action.

CITY POLICE

Drunkenness

Police arrested Osvaldo Gonzalez-Leon, 35, of the 500 block of Broadway, for drug use around 10:43 a.m. June 24.

According to police, Gonzalez-Leon's neighbors observed him sitting on his front steps "nodding" in and out of consciousness, and called for help. He allegedly overdosed on heroin.

Emergency services transported him to St. Luke's Hospital for treatment and police charged him with public drunkenness as it applies to alcohol and drugs.

Retail theft

Westgate Mall security notified police of a necessary arrest around 4:30 p.m. July 14.

According to police, security officers observed Annette M. Terleski, 18, of Oakland Street, huffing from spray cans near the Weis supermarket. When they tried to approach her, she became irate and struggled.

Terleski allegedly stole cans of duster from the Rite Aid pharmacy and children's cough medicine from the Weis. She was found in violation of parole and following admission to Muhlenberg Hospital Center for treatment for lung damage she was to be remanded to Lehigh County Prison.

Terleski is charged with retail theft, illegal use of certain solvents, misbranding, disorderly conduct and public drunkenness.

And the budget process begins ... again

By **KEN PETRINI**
Special to The Press

LEHIGH CO.

Lehigh County has the earliest cycle in the region with County Executive Don Cunningham required to deliver a budget to the Board of Commissioners by Aug. 31 and the commissioners required to act on it by Oct. 31.

Cunningham, who appeared before the commissioners last month to update them on county

issues, addressed three areas: the budget; the capital plan and regional cooperation.

The 2011 budget process is likely to be contentious as the county faces flat revenue and a 2010 budget that was only balanced through the use of nearly \$20 million in reserves. Those reserves were slated to be completely exhausted in 2010,

although a better-than-expected finish to 2009 and Cunningham's track record of coming in under budget suggest that there may be some reserves available.

In addition, a couple of one-time items increased last year's deficit. Still, the gap is such, even before any 2011 salary increases are considered, that spending

cuts have been widely discussed.

Since salaries and benefits take up the vast majority of the budget, especially that which is funded by county tax dollars, salary increases have accounted for recent budget gaps as non-salary spending has been held constant.

Representatives of Children and Youth have attended meetings for the

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past few months to lobby against expected staffing cuts.

In fact, Commissioner Dean Browning suggested that the administration look at even deeper cuts. Browning said that Lehigh County caseworkers were at the low end of the recommended ranges for cases per employee and employee per supervisor.

Cunningham warned that cuts are not easy given that a large part of the budget is controlled by other elected officials who are not directly under Cunningham's authority. He said cuts do not "come without hashing and haggling behind the scenes."

"This will be more of a challenging budget than we have seen in recent years," Cunningham said, noting the difficulty of keeping expenditures to no growth whatsoever.

Cunningham added, "There will be more consolidations and position eliminations. We certainly don't have the money to run at the same level we have been operating at. The revenue simply is not there, so some tough decisions are ahead."

Cunningham also warned that program funding will be reviewed, an issue that would arise later in the meeting concerning Quality of Life Grants.

Turning to the capital budget, Cunningham said it would be "exceedingly smaller than what you have seen in the past."

Alluding to major capital spending like the courthouse and baseball stadium, Cunningham said, "We made hay while the sun was

shining." But the hovering fiscal clouds will find capital plans also facing cut backs.

Cunningham said that spending will be proposed for a regional crime data center.

"We certainly don't have the money to run at the same level we have been operating at. The revenue simply is not there."

DON CUNNINGHAM

"We are working with Berks County," Cunningham said. "We are at an impasse with Northampton County."

He also said that he expects to announce a partnership soon regarding a new coroner's facility. The prior capital budget proposed such a facility for the former juvenile detention center in South Whitehall.

Cunningham said the plans will "strike a balance between being cost-effective and getting our coroner into better space."

With Lehigh County

nearing completion of renovation to its non-violent offenders correction facility in Salisbury Township, Cunningham turned to regionalization and again criticized Northampton County for its failure to team up with Lehigh County.

"One of the real failures and shames of recent years," Cunningham said, "is that we don't have a shared corrections facility with Northampton County."

Lehigh County is also running into problems in developing a regional health department with its neighbor to the east.

Cunningham said with respect to the health bureau that he was hoping to bring forth a business plan "that not only gets the job done but is financially viable and sustainable." He admitted he was not sure they were yet at that point.

The county executive added, "We are hopeful that our neighbors to the east will take the same approach."

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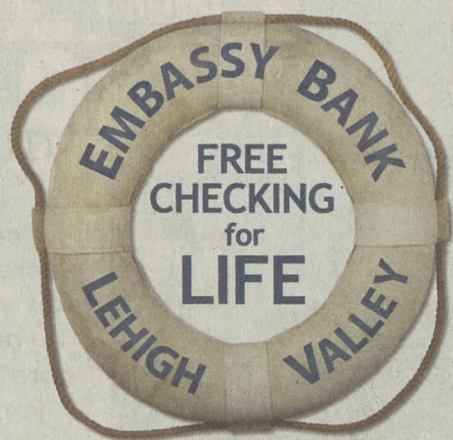


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'True' Tanya

Actress to give classes, sign books in Bethlehem

By PAUL WILLISTEIN
Focus Editor

When Tanya Wright returns to Los Angeles to play Kenya Jones, her recurring role on HBO's "True Blood," here's what she can tell her cast-mates she did on her summer vacation: presented a self-realization class for aspiring artists, signed copies of her new book, and promoted a movie that she wrote, directed, produced and stars in.

Wright is in the Lehigh Valley visiting her mother, Debra Fraser-Howze, Senior Vice President, External and Government Affairs, OraSure Technologies, Inc., Bethlehem. Wright has also been hanging out in the Poconos, where her mother is buying a house.

"I'm enjoying it here. It's nice. The people are friendly," Wright says.

Wright is offering a two-day class, Business of the Unique Artist (BUA), July 27 and 29 at the Banana Factory, 25 W. Third St., Bethlehem.

BUA, Wright says, is a class combining creative writing-movement exercises, discussions about show business, and assessments of goals, strengths and fears.

Based on information derived from a questionnaire and classroom exercises, each person will leave class with their own concept on how to earn an income based on their creative strengths.

The BUA class for teens, ages 12 - 18, is noon - 3 p.m. both days. The BUA class for adults is 6 - 9 p.m. both days. For reservations for the class, call 323-702-2664 or email: buaclass@gmail.com

Wright previously presented the class in the Memphis, Tenn., area.

"I found it was something I really enjoyed ... zeroing in and helping people to refine them," Wright says. "Particularly in these times, anything creative is seen as frivolous. But I think we need creativity now more than ever."

"You can figure out a way to do what you love and



PRESS PHOTO BY PAUL WILLISTEIN

Tanya Wright plays Kenya on HBO's "True Blood." She teaches Business of the Unique Artist July 27, 29 at the Banana Factory. She was photographed at the Hard Bean Cafe, Bethlehem, an area favorite of hers.

make money doing it and that's the way I like to help people," says Wright, a Bronx, N.Y., native who attended the George School, a Quaker boarding school in Newtown, Bucks County, and received a BA from Vassar College.

Wright signs copies of her book, "Butterfly Rising," 6 - 7:30 p.m. Aug. 27 at the Moravian Book Shop, 428 Main St., Bethlehem.

Wright's first job out of college was as a news clerk at The New York Times.

"It was a great first job to have. Whatever you needed to know about anything, people knew it in that building. And I'm still friendly

with the people there.

"I sort of injected myself into story idea meetings. And then one of the editors said, 'Well, you have so much to say. Why don't you write an article?' So, I actually wrote a couple of articles."

After participating in the Williamstown Theatre Festival, Wright relocated to Los Angeles to pursue an acting career, landing roles on the critically-acclaimed television shows, "24," "NYPD Blue" and "ER." Wright was a cast member of "The Handler" and the "Buddies."

She was a semi-finalist in the Academy of Motion

Picture Arts and Sciences' Nicholl Screenwriting Competition and a fellow at the Mark Taper Forum Blacksmiths Play Development and Playwrights Lab.

On HBO's "True Blood," the role Wright portrays, Deputy Kenya Jones, was introduced at the end of season one. Wright has been in nine episodes 2008-'10. "True Blood" is based on the Charlaine Harris books.

"It's been a real joy. The people are very smart and highly, highly skilled, the actors and crew, and particularly the writers," she says.

Production of "True Blood" resumes January - May 2011 at The Lot along Santa Monica Boulevard, Los Angeles.

She says a call from her agent alerted her about "HBO and Alan Ball ['Six Feet Under,' 'True Blood']."

"When you hear those two words together, you show up with bells on," she laughs.

"Looking at the ['True Blood'] script, the world was very heightened. As an actor, there's such a wide space to play. I play this character kind of quirky, which is what I am in real-life anyway," Wright laughs.

"There's also something about 'True Blood.' I've done shows that were very popular, 'NYPD,' 'ER' and '24.' 'True Blood' asks questions about people who are different from you. It makes it interesting. It's a layered show," says Wright, who you can follow on Twitter at tanyaTTwright.

In the background during the interview, her dog, Macarena, a Black Labrador, is barking.

"Macarena is in my movie," says Wright, back on the phone.

Wright's movie is also titled "Butterfly Rising."

"It's the story of two women who take a road trip to meet a mythical magic man called Lazarus. It's really about two people who take a journey to achieve their dream. The book is more expansive than the

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Your look ahead at Valley Arts

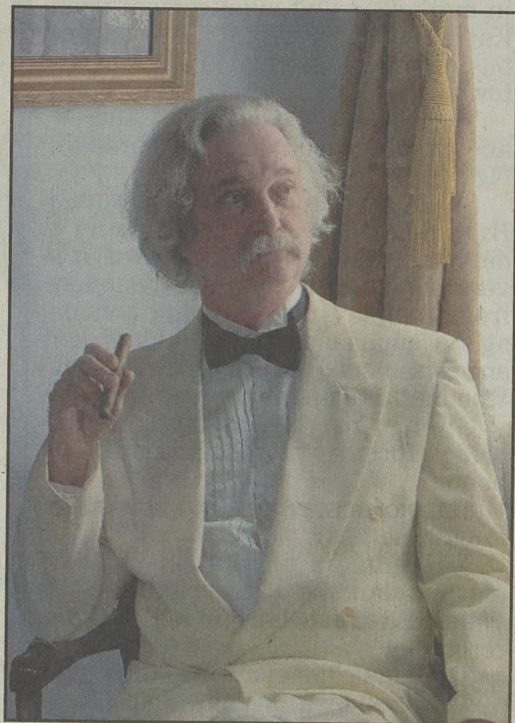


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The Twain shall meet: Mark Twain, portrayed by Lehigh Valley storyteller Charles Kiernan, above, who bears a remarkable resemblance to Twain — apparently, reports of his death were greatly exaggerated — portrays the celebrated author, essayist and raconteur at 7 p.m. July 30 at Godfrey Daniels, 7 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. Kiernan will share his evolving view on "what is man" with witty tales and lively anecdotes in willful disregard of the fact that "he" (Twain) died in 1910. Twain (Kiernan) is wont to ramble on about his boyhood memories, the newspaper publishing business, life on the Mississippi River and frogs. It's a journey that concludes with a Q&A. Proceeds benefit Lehigh Valley Storytelling Guild and Lehigh Valley Story Festival. Ticket information: 610-799-2742



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Rather brassy: Tim Zimmerman and The King's Brass, above, return for a fifth appearance at 7 p.m. July 24 at Central Moravian Church, Main and Church streets, Bethlehem. The nine-member ensemble, featuring three trumpets, three trombones, a tuba, percussion and keyboards, performs hymn classics with a contemporary flair. The group has 13 recordings, including its latest CD, "Kids," featuring the Kids' Choir from The Chapel, Ft. Wayne, Ind. King's Brass was founded 32 years ago by Zimmerman, a graduate of Peabody Conservatory of Music at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md. Zimmerman is artist-in-residence at Taylor University, Ft. Wayne, Ind. King's Brass is joined in concert by Rebecca Kleintop Owens, Central Moravian Church director of music, playing the newly restored and enhanced four-manual Moeller and Walker organ. Tickets are free and available at the church office, 73 W. Church St., Bethlehem. A free-will offering will be taken to defray concert costs. Information: 610-866-5661.

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Grab your kayaks, bicycles

\$29-million post-floods restoration project of Delaware Canal to be commemorated

The reopening of the Delaware Canal waterway and towpath trail will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. July 23 at the Forks of the Delaware Recreation Area adjacent to the canal, 200 S. Delaware Drive, Easton.

The event commemorates completion of a \$29-million project restoring portions of the canal damaged during floods in 2004, 2005 and 2006.

The celebration will include the cutting of two ribbons.

One ribbon will span the restored towpath trail and will be crossed first by 350 bicyclists traveling on the towpath as part of the week-long Rails to Trails Conservancy Greenway Sojourn.

The second ribbon will span the guard lock, where mule-drawn canal boats once entered the Delaware Canal.

Canoeists and kayakers are encouraged to launch their boats in the canal that day to be among the ribbon-cutters.

Gates in Easton that supply the canal with water from the Lehigh River will be fully opened during the ceremony.



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Delaware River Sojourners on the Delaware Canal June 23 at Woody's Camelback Bridge, Raubsville, Bucks County. The Delaware Canal officially reopens at 10:30 a.m. July 23.

The process of rewatering the Delaware Canal has been underway. When complete, Lehigh River water will flow along the length of the canal for the first time in more than 20 years.

The Delaware Canal towpath trail is now open from

its beginning in Easton, Northampton County, to its end in Bristol, Bucks County.

Expected to attend the July 23 event are members of the Friends of the Delaware Canal, State Park officials, legislators, local

officials and Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor representatives.

There will be refreshments and souvenirs.

The event is free and open to the public.

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Renninger-Tyukody
Salisbury graduate weds
in New Jersey

Erik Renninger and Andrea Tyukody were married Aug. 15, 2009, on the beach at Sea Bright, N.J.

The groom is the son of Wayne and Alayne Renninger of Allentown.

He is a graduate of Salisbury High School, received a bachelor's degree in marketing and management from Kutztown University and is a client business manager for AT&T, Morristown, N.J.

The bride is the daughter of Andrew and Carol Tyukody of Hillsborough, N.J.

She is a graduate of Hillsborough High School, received a bachelor's degree in biology from Kutztown University and a master's in physiology from Temple University and is manager of pharmacogenomics biomarker and personalized medicine for Eisai Inc., Woodcliff Lake, N.J.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose her mother as matron of honor.

The groom was attended by his father as best man.

An evening of celebration with dinner and dancing at Merri-Makers at Waters Edge in Seabright followed the ceremony.

The couple honeymooned in Aruba. They reside in Bridgewater, N.J.



Andrea and Erik Renninger

Fair sets
Jaindle
scholar

The Frederick J. Jaindl Scholarship, a \$2,000 scholarship given to a student enrolled in agriculture in a two- or four-year institution of higher learning, will be awarded Sept. 1 at the Ag Awards Program in the Agri-Plex building during the 2010 Great Allentown Fair.

To apply for the scholarship, students must have exhibited a competitive entry at the Allentown Fair for at least one year. Application deadline is Aug. 13. Application forms are available from the Fair office, 17th and Chew Street, Allentown, or by calling Beverly Gruber, 610-767-5026.

Frederick J. Jaindl was a supporter of the Fair, having served on the board of directors and was fourth vice-president. The scholarship was established in 2004 by his wife, Anne L. Jaindl, and the late Martin H. Ritter, a close friend.

Octogenarians discover
Fountain of Youth

When I was kid, my parents stressed to me that it was important to pick your friends wisely because whom you surround yourself with has a great influence over your life.

I've always found that to be true. My friends teach me a lot about life. Lately, some have taught me not to be leery of aging because every stage of life has its own sweet rewards.

Let me introduce you to two extraordinary octogenarians, Harry, who just turned 80, and Tom, who will soon be 82.

Harry celebrated his 80th birthday on May 14 by going on a 100-mile bike ride with his wife, Sue.

"There's a tradition with cyclists celebrating a birthday to ride one mile for every year. I did 100 miles instead of 80, so when I turn 100, I'll have 20 miles to my credit," jokes Harry, showing the low-key sense of humor that makes him so much fun to be around.

"Riding 100 miles is nice," he says, "but it's nothing that phenomenal." Try telling most people that biking 100 miles is "nothing phenomenal."

"Some say it's too hot to ride but we ride every day, at least 40 or 50 miles," says Harry, who is trim with the hard, lean muscles of all serious bikers.

Remarkably, he didn't start serious biking until he was almost 70. He biked when he was a kid but that was about it.

A lot of people think about trying a new activity, but say, "I'm too old." Seeing all the fun Harry is having in life could teach others a thing or two.

When I look at the great shape he and Sue are in, I am motivated to stay physically active. I'll never be a long distance bike rider like Harry, but he sure does motivate me to get out there and push myself more.

Harry calls Sue "his trophy wife" because she's a mere 70, ten years his junior. It's a second marriage for both and it's fun to be around them because they obviously have so much fun together.

They met at an organized bike ride and soon learned they had a lot more in common than natural athletic ability and a passion for cycling. The more time they spent together, the more they realized how well suited they were for each other.

When they were quietly married last November 20, Harry was 79 and Sue was 69. Prime Time. I think of couples like Sue and Harry when I hear someone say, "I'll never find anyone."

But Sue did have to learn some new tricks in order for them to have a happy union.

"When we first got together, he told me any gal of his would have to ride a motorcycle. I was never on one before," says Sue. On her first motorcycle trip, she recalls looking at the stars thinking, "This is kind of cool."

They've travel about 8,000 miles a year on their Harley and thousands of other miles on their bikes.

"It's not easy being married to Superman," jokes

WARMEST
REGARDS

By Pattie Mihalik
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Sue.

In addition to their other activities, Harry and Sue play competitive Trivial Pursuit each Tuesday, keeping their minds conditioned as well as their bodies.

Superman and his bride are spending the next few months "living out of a tent somewhere up north."

It's just one of the many ways they stay young.

Are they inspirational, or what?

Another remarkable octogenarian is my friend, Tom.

"There's something psychological about the Big 8-0," he says. "Seventy-nine is just another birthday, but 80 sounds old."

Happily, he says he feels far from old. In many ways, he thinks this stage of life is "better than ever."

"I felt older when I turned 40 than I do now," he says. "Back then, I was so serious - serious about my life and serious about my career as a pharmacist. Now, I'm having much more fun and enjoying life much more," he says.

He is serious, though, about his involvement in civic and community activities. He's been "a mover and shaker" all his life, and still is.

A long-range visionary, he organized new groups devoted to solving crucial local issues. How many people do you know who sit back and complain about "how things are?" Tom works hard to do something about it.

"I believe it's important to be involved in what's going on and to plan for the future," he said. "Much of what I'm doing won't be finished in my lifetime but it's satisfying to know the work I'm doing now will benefit future generations."

Meanwhile, he's enjoying life immensely, combining a sense of adventure with a penchant for trying new things. A few months ago we took him kayaking for the first time. At 80, he found a new passion.

I should say he found one of several new passions. He took up ballroom dancing three years ago and now goes dancing several times a week.

A few months ago he started a new chapter in his life by slipping an engagement ring on the finger of my friend, Wanda.

"Wanda brings fun to my life," he says. "She's always laughing; always enjoying life. Life is so much richer when you have someone like that by your side."

My friends have found the Fountain of Youth by staying active, both physically and mentally; by keeping themselves challenged with new pursuits and by sharing life with a soul mate who adds to life's pleasures.

"You know that old saying, 'It's a Wonderful Life?'" asks Tom. "Well, it's especially good now."

Sunscreen protection factors explained

First of two parts
Q. There are lots of sunblocks out there with SPF numbers on them. What exactly do these numbers mean?

Sun exposure is an extensive and important subject that is worth two columns. This is the first of two parts.

Sunblocks, or sunscreens, work to prevent the damage of ultraviolet (UV) rays, an invisible component of sunlight. There are three types of UV rays: UVA, UVB and UVC.

UVA is the most abundant of the three ultraviolet rays at the earth's surface. These rays pene-

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trate through the outer skin layer. Many of the UVB rays are absorbed by the stratospheric ozone layer, so there aren't as many of these at the earth's surface as the UVA rays. UVB rays don't penetrate as far as UVA rays but are still harmful. UVC radiation is extremely hazardous to skin, but it is completely absorbed by the ozone layer.

Sunburn and suntan are signs of skin damage.

Suntans appear after the sun's rays have already killed some cells and damaged others. UV rays do more harm than damaging skin. They can also cause cataracts, wrinkles, age spots, and skin cancer.

Sunscreens are given SPF (Sun Protection Factor) ratings that tell you how well they protect you from damaging rays from the sun. The SPF ratings can be as low as 2 and as high as 100-plus.

Here's how the ratings work: If you apply a sunscreen rated at SPF 2, you will double the time it takes for your skin to burn. A sunscreen rated at SPF 15 will multiply the

burning time by 15.

Dermatologists strongly recommend using a broad-spectrum (UVA and UVB protection) sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or greater year-round for all skin types.

The SPF number indicates the screening ability for UVB rays only. Research is being done to establish a system to measure UVA protection.

Not applying enough sunscreen can seriously reduce your protection. You should use an ounce, about a palmful, on your body to gain the full protection indicated by the SPF on the product. Also, dermatologists advise reapplication every two hours or after swimming or sweating.

It seems logical that, if you use half the required sunscreen, you will get only half the protection, but that doesn't seem to be true. A study in the British Journal of Dermatology found that you get the protection of only the square root of the SPF. So, in theory, if you use a half ounce of sunscreen rated at 64, you won't get the protection of an SPF 32, but only the protection of an SPF 8.

In addition to applying a sunscreen, you should protect yourself by avoiding the sun between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., wearing protective clothing and wraparound sunglasses, avoiding sunlamps and tanning beds, and checking your skin regularly for changes in the size, shape, color or feel of birthmarks, moles and spots.

Next week: Part 2: UV rays

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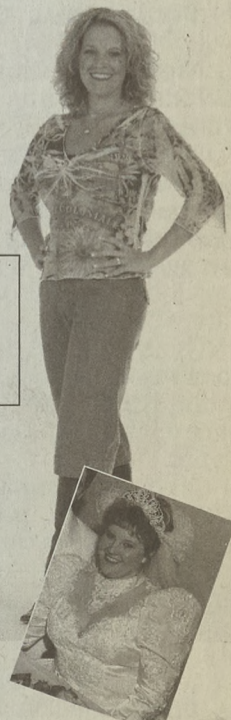
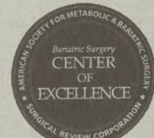
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Heather Stoltz '00: Midrash through Making, July 21 - Oct. 31; Reception, 7 p.m. July 21

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Pioneer Band of Allentown, 7 p.m. July 22

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7 p.m. July 24
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Dave Neith Orchestra, 7:30 p.m. July 24

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Tribal Seeds, 8:30 p.m. July 23

Fear Nuttin Band, 9:15 p.m. July 23

Rebellion, 10:30 p.m. July 23

Canibus, 7:30 p.m. July 24

Robert Randolph and the Family Band, 7:30 p.m. July 26

Fear Factory, 7 p.m. July 27

Ian Holmes, 6 p.m. July 30

Taylor Hicks, 6 p.m. July 30

Prozac, Lord Malice, Karma L.S., 7 p.m. July 31

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John King Soul Picnic, 3 p.m. July 25

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Tequila Rose, Midnight Special, 2 p.m. July 24

Southern Reign, Outlaws, noon July 25

Teacher's Pet, 2 p.m. July 31

Bethlehem Sculpture Garden, Church Street, Bethlehem

Steve Brosky, Jimmy Meyers, 6 p.m. July 23

Cedar Beach Park, 2600 Parkway Boulevard, Allentown

The Royallaires, 8 p.m. July 31

Trouble City Allstars, 7:30 p.m. July 30

Emmaus Community Park, Shimerville Road, Emmaus

The Royallaires, 6 p.m. July 25

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Municipal Band of Allentown, 7 p.m. July 24

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Paul Paoli Band, 7 p.m. July 31

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Dave Fry, 11:45 a.m. July 22

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Rose Garden, Eighth Avenue and Union Boulevard, Bethlehem. 610-865-7081

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Restless Heart, Nicole Donatone, 8 p.m. Oct. 23

An Evening with Jethro Tull's Ian Anderson, 8 p.m. Oct. 24

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Kix, Stephen Percy, 8 p.m. Oct. 29

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Sha Na Na, 8 p.m. Nov. 12

Eddie Money, John Waite, 8 p.m. Nov. 19

The Sammy Kaye Orchestra, 1 p.m. Dec. 8, 9: Christmas Show

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Blonde on Bethlehem, 10 p.m. July 21

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Analog Velvet, 8 p.m. July 23

Jaybird, Paul Thiessen Band, 9 p.m. July 24

Scott Pine and The Conifers, 9 p.m. July 30

Dan DeChellis Electrico, 9 p.m. July 31

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King Henry Dance, 1 p.m. July 21

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Pet and Kid's Expo, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. July 31

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Butterfly ID Program, 9, 11 a.m. July 24

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Advertisement for Accutane, a drug used to treat acne, with contact information for Goldberg & Osborne.

Advertisement for donating a car to the Outreach Center 'Car for Kids' Program, including contact number 1-800-597-8311.

Tips for dry weather lawns

Allowing your lawn to go dormant during hot, dry weather is always an option. An otherwise healthy lawn can go about six weeks without rain. It will turn brown, but should recover when cooler temperatures and rain return.

If you feel you must water your lawn, deep, infrequent watering during hot, dry weather is important to maintain a healthy lawn. Deep watering encourages the turf to develop a deeper, more extensive root system.

Conversely, frequent, shallow watering encourages a shallow root system. A shallow root system means a lawn is under drought stress when the top inch of soil dries out.

Use a sprinkler or an irrigation system to apply one inch of water weekly to your lawn when rain is minimal. This is best applied in one long, deep soaking session, rather than watering your lawn a little bit every day.

To determine how long you have to run your sprinkler or irrigation system, take a flat-bottomed container such as a coffee can and mark off half-inch increments.

Place the can or cans where it will be hit by the water, and time how long it takes to gather a half-inch of water. Then run your sprinkler twice as long. You may need to apply water even slower to steep slopes to avoid wasting water to runoff.

It is best to water in the morning. If you water during the heat of the day, too much water is lost to evaporation. If you water

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at night, the grass stays wet too long and may be more likely to have disease problems.

You should also check your lawn for thatch. Older lawns often suffer from a deep thatch layer. Thatch is nothing more than a layer of organic matter between the soil surface and the crowns of the grass plants. Dig up a small square of turf so you can look at the soil profile. The thatch layer is easily visible.

Thatch is created when growing turfgrass sloughs off dead stems and roots. A thin layer of thatch — a half-inch or less — is desirable. It acts as a mulch, moderating soil temperature and maintaining soil moisture. More than that creates problems, though. A thick layer of thatch can keep water from reaching the soil, so your lawn is constantly drought-stressed. And that creates more thatch.

The causes of thatch include: The variety of grasses in your lawn. Bluegrass and creeping red fescue are the worst thatch formers of the cool season lawn grasses.; A soil pH lower than 6.5 immobilizes the microbes that break down thatch.; Over-fertilizing your lawn.; Frequent, shallow watering.; Allowing grass to grow too tall, and then cutting it and not collecting the clippings.

A moderate layer of thatch, up to one inch, can be removed by dethatching your lawn with a power dethatcher. Dethatching is very stressful and should only be done in fall. You can rent dethatchers or hire a lawn service to do it for you.

Run the dethatcher in one direction, and then go over your lawn in the perpendicular direction. A good dethatching job should make you want to cry when you look at your lawn.

Topdress the lawn with a thin layer, one-eighth to one-quarter inch, of compost. Overseed with varieties of turfgrass that match your existing lawn to help it recover.

If you have over one inch of thatch, consider a total renovation, removing your existing lawn and starting over. The knives of most dethatchers will not go deep enough to get through the thatch and down to the soil, which is important for a good dethatching job.

For answers to your garden questions, call the Lehigh County Cooperative Extension Office, 610-391-9840, or Northampton County Cooperative Extension Office, 610-746-1970, and ask to speak with a Master Gardener. Volunteers staff phone lines several days a week, Monday - Friday.

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THEATER REVIEW

MSMT's 'Spelling Bee' is smart fun

By PAUL WILLISTEIN
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"The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee," through Aug. 1 at Muhlenberg College Summer Theatre (MSMT), spells fun.

That's: Fun. F - u - n. Fun.

Who would've thought a musical about a sixth-grade spelling contest could be so entertaining, endearing and provide so much insight into those tricky transition years in an adolescent's life?

"Spelling Bee" is the surprise delight of the 2010 Lehigh Valley summer theater season. If you haven't gone to camp this summer, it's not too late. "Spelling Bee" is very campy.

"Spelling Bee" won the 2005 Tony Award for best book of a musical. The show's score is by William Finn, Tony Award winner for "Falsettos," and the book is by Rachel Sheinkin.

Director-choreographer Bill Mutimer has assembled an outstanding cast of triple-threats (singing, dancing, acting), backed by six fine musicians conducted by music director Ken Butler.

The set, designed by Matthew Allar, depicts a gym doubling as a cafeteria, with closed slatted food serving "windows";

bleachers on the right with green bucket seats for the contestants and tables; and chairs for the two judges on the left.

Lighting designer John McKernon bathes the stage with swaths of color, and spotlights certain characters for flashback scenes.

Costume designer Lex Gurst outfits the cast in neo-nerd attire that furthers the personalities of the roles.

"Spelling Bee" is an "environmental musical," not as in ecology, but audience involvement ("Pump Boys & Dinettes," "Forever Plaid") that MSMT does so well. There is a guest spelling contestant each night. Plus, three theater-goers are plucked from the audience to sit on stage and compete.

After the one-hour and 45-minute musical (with no intermission), you may want to brush up on your Merriam-Webster. "Spelling Bee" is smart fun.

The humor begins with posters on the walls of Baker Theater: "The Putnam Optometrists," "Up With Learning ... It Keeps the Wheels Turning," the latter for the real-life Wescoe School at Muhlenberg College.

Above the proscenium are the words "Putnam," backlit, no less.

Each actor takes a turn

in the spotlight with a solo number backed by the ensemble.

Rona Lisa Perretti (Traci Ceschin), a former contestant who is emceeing the contest, belts out the title song to open the show: "They treat you well ... all because you can spell." Ceschin is a great vocalist. The casts' choral work is superb.

Emily Spadaford as Olive Ostrovsky displays a beautiful voice in "My Friend The Dictionary." "Pandemonium," one of the most bizarre musical production numbers ever, recalls a psychedelic light show.

Gabriel Martinez as William Barfee in "Magic Foot" is side-splittingly funny.

Jessica Anne Cox as Marcy Park proves her versatility in "I Speak Six Languages."

Anna Gothard as Logainne Schwartz and grubenierre creates a sympathetic mood with "Woe Is Me."

Andrew Clark as Leaf Conebear touches the emotions in "I'm Not That Smart."

Joe Spiotta as Chip Tolentino is very funny in "Chip's Lament," aka the snack break.

Patrick M. Brady is Vice Principal Douglas Panch. Matthew S. Walczek is Mitch Mahoney.

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Kids' Fun Weekend, 1 - 4 p.m. hourly July 31, Aug. 1

FESTIVALS

ALLENTOWN FAIR

Fairgrounds Grandstand, Allentown Fairgrounds, 17th and Liberty Streets, Allentown. 610-433-7541

Rush, 7:30 p.m. Aug. 31

Weezer, The Gaslight Anthem, 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 1

Lady Antebellum, Danny Gokey, 7 p.m. Sept. 2

Keith Urban, Kris Allen, 7 p.m. Sept. 3

Justin Bieber, Sean Kingston, 7 p.m. Sept. 4. Sold Out

Jeff Dunham, 8 p.m. Sept. 5

J&J Demolition Derby, 5 p.m. Sept. 6

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Remington Ryde, 1 p.m. July 23

Dick Saylor, 2 p.m. July 23; 3 p.m. July 25

Homespun Bluegrass, 3 p.m. July 23; 4 p.m. July 25

Dan Hubbard, 4 p.m. July 23; 8 p.m. July 24, 25

Louie Setzer, 5 p.m. July 23

Danny Paisley and the Southern Grass, 1 p.m. July 24

Darren Beachley and the Legends of the Potomac, 2 p.m. July 24

Santara Wind, 3 p.m. July 24; 7 p.m. July 24

Aimless Pursuit, 4 p.m. July 24

Country Grass, 5 p.m. July 24; 1 p.m. July 25

Blue Roots, 6 p.m. July 24, 25

Thunder Creek, 7 p.m. July 24; 5 p.m.

July 25

Lykens Valley Bluegrass Band, 2 p.m.

July 25

MUSIKFEST

Sands RiverPlace, Sand Island, Bethlehem

Counting Crows, Augustana, 6 p.m. Aug. 6

Norah Jones, Elvis Perkins, 8:30 p.m. Aug. 7. Opening act TBA

Martina McBride, 8:30 p.m. Aug. 8

Lynyrd Skynyrd, 8:30 p.m. Aug. 9

Heart, 8:30 p.m. Aug. 10

The Doobie Brothers, 8:30 p.m. Aug. 11

Styx, Blue Oyster Cult, 7 p.m. Aug. 12

Adam Lambert, Orianthi, Allison Iraheta, Aug. 13

Selena Gomez & The Scene, JLS, Hot Chelle Rae, 7:30 p.m. Aug. 14. Sold Out

Sublime with Rome, Dirty Heads, The Movement, 6:30 p.m. Aug. 15

Candlelight Concert Series, Moravian College, Foy Concert Hall, Priscilla Payne Hurd Campus, Main and Church streets, Bethlehem

Jonathan Beedle, A.J. Swearingen: Simon and Garfunkel tribute, 6:30 p.m. Aug. 6

Joe Lovano, John Scofield Quartet, 6:30 p.m. Aug. 7

Richie Havens, 6:30 p.m. Aug. 8

Cherish the Ladies, 6:30 p.m. Aug. 12

Dave Mason, 6:30 p.m. Aug. 13. Sold Out

Suzy Bogguss, 7 p.m. Aug. 14

Performing Arts Series, Zoellner Arts Center, East Packer Avenue, Bethlehem

Dark Horse Orchestra, 7 p.m. Aug. 9

The Avett Brothers, 8:30 p.m. Aug. 11

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By ALEXANDRA RACINES

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The Promenade Shops, Center Valley Parkway Suite 742, Upper Saucon Township

Kenneth Raniere, Karen M. Samuels, 1 p.m. July 24: "South Bethlehem" book signing, discussion

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1937 Whitehall Mall, Whitehall

Elizabeth Bernaski, 10:30 a.m. July 28: "Inky the Cat" story time, book signing

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Emmaus. 610-965-9284

Lindsay Barrett George, 7 p.m. July 26:

"Maggie's Ball" Family Fun Night meet and greet, book signing

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200 Cotton St., Macungie. 610-965-1140

Eva Grayzel, 7 p.m. July 22: Interactive Storytelling. Registration required

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A.S. King, 1 - 3 p.m. July 31: "The Dust of 100 Dogs" book signing

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THEATER REVIEW

PSF 'Wives of Windsor' indeed 'Merry'

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"The Merry Wives of Windsor," through Aug. 8 at the Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival (PSF) at DeSales University, is merry indeed while at the same time examining the vagaries of infidelity and offering a reassuring theme of domestic bliss.

If "Merry Wives" was a movie, it would be classified as a rom-com (romantic comedy).

If "Merry Wives" was a television show, it would be categorized as a sitcom (situation comedy). Indeed, there is a bit of "I Love Lucy" and "The Honeymooners" to the show.

This is by way of saying how accessible "Merry Wives" is. Surely, it's Shakespeare, but it's more low-Bard ("Twelfth Night," for example) than high-Bard ("King Lear").

"Merry Wives" is also somewhat of Shakespeare "greatest hits," with elements of "Romeo and Juliet" (the young lovers, Fenton and Anne Page), "A Midsummer Night's Dream" (the Windsor Park scene) and "Henry IV" (the Falstaff figure).

The play begins and ends with formal entrances of the actors, and courtly dancing, as if to announce this is all in good fun. And it is. There's little swordplay. There's lots of wordplay.

While in many of Shakespeare's plays, the men are the roustabouts, in "Merry Wives," with the exception of the gargantuan appetite, romantically and otherwise, of Falstaff, it's the women who seem up to mischief. Their husbands seem



PHOTO BY LEE A. BUTZ

John Ahlin as Falstaff, center, in "The Merry Wives of Windsor," through Aug. 8 at the Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival

rather content. Call it "The Desperate Housewives of Windsor."

Director Jim Helsing again brings the Helsing touch to "Merry Wives," as he did with last season's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and during 15 PSF seasons. The bonus here is Helsing's return to the stage after a seven-year absence, as Master Ford.

In his direction of "Merry Wives," as well as in his own performance as Master Brook, Helsing demonstrates a droll sense of timing and a jazz-like alacrity with the language. He comes in behind, or in front of a beat, to great comedic effect. In his disguise as Master Brook, he puts on a kind of Spanish accent that is hilarious. His deft handling of the difficulty in pronouncing "cuckold" is priceless.

Helsing's real-life wife, Suzanne O'Donnell, is Mistress Ford. She portrays a put upon spitfire to perfection.

Her cohort in the cuck-

old conspiracy is Mistress Page, played by Grace Goglewski with her memorable voice and commanding presence.

Anthony Lawton plays her husband, Master Page, with a conciliatory manner and respectful approach.

Sir John Falstaff is the key figure, a kind of lord of misrule, who injects himself into the domestic bliss of not one, but two, households.

As played by John Ahlin (returning as Falstaff, which he played in PSF's 2005 "Henry IV Part 1"), he's a kind of Homer Simpson. He emphasizes Falstaff's fanciful dialogue ("to be Englished rightly") with a zesty line delivery, bulging eyes and a bit of Jackie Gleason's "away we go" in his arm and leg gestures.

Helsing gives full reign to Ahlin and several leads.

Allison DeCaro leaves an indelible impression as Mistress Quickly, with a ready laugh, huge smile

and mincing steps that bespeak her name. She also had a great ad lib opening night during a Falstaffian wardrobe malfunction.

Richard B. Watson, as Dr. Caius, also twists the accents on the syllables to humorous effect.

Other standouts include Michael Daly as Sir Hugh Evans, Melissa Christine Egan as Anne Page and Rory Lipkis as Robin, Falstaff's page.

The cast includes Bob Lipka, Michael Gill, Grant Jordan, James Nester, Gordon Gray, Jacob R. Dresch, Trent Fucci, Henry Gibson and Chelsea Anne Carle.

Matt Pfeiffer is associate director. Denise Warner designed gorgeous gowns for the females and resplendent ensembles for the males. Michael Ferguson is wig and make-up designer.

Bob Phillips is scenic designer. Thom Weaver is lighting designer. Matthew Given is sound designer.

'Inception'-ally bad

In writer-director Christopher Nolan's "Inception," Leonard DiCaprio falls asleep, Joseph Gordon-Levitt falls asleep, Ellen Page falls asleep — several times — and I nearly fell asleep — several times.

"Inception" is officially the 2010 summer blockbuster season's worst movie, given its budget and advance hype and is, arguably, the most ludicrous movie since "Dune" (1984).

It's Nolan's first original movie since "Following," his 1998 feature debut. If movie-making is all about storytelling, as the great Hollywood directors tell us, Nolan is the anti-storyteller.

As with "Memento" (2000), Nolan ("Batman Begins," "The Dark Knight") shuffles the deck, ala Quentin Tarantino's "Pulp Fiction" (1994) for a nonlinear narrative.

With "Inception," Nolan plays his cards so close to the deck as to be inscrutable, render the storyline incomprehensible and the movie inconsequential. Call it "The Last Mindbender."

The psycho-babble dialogue, often disguised as explanatory exposition, is so matter-of-fact as to be laughable. "Inception" and its characters are so serious, despite several gravity-defying scenes, as to induce the effect of gravity itself, weighing down the entire movie.

The movie is intermittently tolerable because of the fine casting. DiCaprio, Gordon-Levitt and Page, as well as Cillian Murphy, Marion Cotillard, Ken Watanabe and Michael Caine (in little more than a cameo) would be compelling reading the Manhattan telephone directory.

"Inception" also scores with uber special effects. There are beaucoup explosions, gunfire, fisticuffs and vehicle chases. This keeps the viewer involved — or at least awake. Nolan is from the school of screenwriters who believe that, when story, plot and pacing drag, blow it up.

Add in a Hans Zimmer blunderbuss score, set the sound effects at chest-rattling and slim chance you'll drift off to dreamland like most of the "Inception" lead characters. Lucky them.

Then again, maybe Nolan wants to put the "Inception" movie-goer to sleep, especially movie critics and reviewers, the better to sneak into their subconscious and write good reviews.

Didn't happen with this one.

"Inception": MPA Rated PG-13 (Parents Strongly Cautioned. Some material may be inappro-

MOVIE REVIEW

By Paul Willistein



priate for children under 13) for sequences of violence and action throughout; Genre: Drama, Mystery, Science-Fiction, Thriller; Run Time: 2 hrs., 28 min.; Distributed by Warner Bros.

Credit Readers Anonymous: Snippets of Edith Piaf singing "Je Ne Regrette Rien" ("No Regrets") are heard throughout "Inception" and in the closing credits, although Christopher Nolan doesn't let that classic play out, drowning it in a cacophony of sound.

Box Office, July 16: "Inception" proved the exception, opening at No. 1 with an impressive \$60.4 million, dropping "Despicable Me" to No. 2, with a still nice \$32.7 million and \$118.3 million after two weeks. "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" didn't have the magic, with \$17.3 million for the weekend and \$24.4 million since opening July 14.

4. "The Twilight Saga: Eclipse," \$13.5 million, \$264.9 million, three weeks; 5. "Toy Story 3," \$11.7 million, \$362.7 million, five weeks; 6. "Grown Ups," \$10 million, \$129.2 million, four weeks; 7. "The Last Airbender," \$7.4 million, \$114.8 million, three weeks; 8. "Predators," \$6.8 million, \$40.1 million, two weeks; 9. "Knight & Day," \$3.7 million, \$69.2 million, four weeks; 10. "The Karate Kid," \$2.2 million, \$169.2 million, six weeks

Unreel, July 23:

"Salt," Rated PG-13: Angelina Jolie is Evelyn Salt, accused of being a spy by a Russian defector. How topical is that with the recent outing of Russian spies in the United States? Phillip Noyce ("Patriot Games") directs.

"Ramona and Beezus," MPA Rated G: Ramona Quimby (Joey King) and Beezus (Disney Channel star Selena Gomez, who has an upcoming sold out Musikfest concert) star in the family movie based on the Beverly Cleary books. Also stars Josh Duhamel and John Corbett.

Paul Willistein's movie reviews on Lehigh Valley Arts Salon, 6 - 6:30 p.m. Mondays, WDIY 88.1 FM Lehigh Valley Community Public Radio. Read previous movie reviews at www.tnonline.com. Email Paul Willistein at: pwillistein@tnonline.com and on Facebook.

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"The Merry Wives of Windsor," through Aug. 8, Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival, Schubert Theatre, Labuda Center for The Arts, DeSales University, Center Valley. Prologue in theater 45 min. before each performance. 610-282-WILL

"Tilly," 7:30 p.m. Aug. 5, 6; 1 p.m. Aug. 7, Blue Mountain Community Church, 25 Oak St., Palmerston; 7:30 p.m. Aug. 8, Bethany Wesleyan Church, 675 Blue Mountain Drive, Cherryville. Henry O. Arnold play based on Frank Peretti novel. Donation. Proceeds benefit Care Net of Carbon County.

"Underneath the Lintel," 7:30 p.m. July 26: Christopher Coucil one-man show of Glen Berger play, Main Stage, Labuda Center for The Arts, DeSales University, Center Valley. 610-282-WILL

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movie," she says. "It's my proudest accomplishment," she says of the movie, "Blue Butterfly."

"It was precipitated by my brother's death five years ago. When he died, I decided I was going to get on the business of

doing what I wanted to do, which is act and direct and write. So, I'm really living my dream right now."

The brother who died was Barron. Wright has a younger brother, Clinton, and a sister, Sheena.

Wright plays Rose Johnson in "Butterfly Rising," opposite McGhee Monteith (Reba Cash, "Walk the Line"), who

plays Lilah.

The film lensed last year in Columbus, Miss. Wright raised the money and hired the crew for the film. A distribution plan is under way for the film's rollout.

In the road-trip movie, two women drive in a 1955 Chevrolet pickup truck from the fictional Lucasville to New Hope. "The whole movie sort

of has a vintage feel," says Wright. The state is not given. The time is non-specific.

"I like to think of it as a timeless story about two women. It could happen in 2050 or 1950," says Wright. Information on "Butterfly Rising": www.butterflyrisingthemovie.com

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LV Realtors report 18.6 percent increase in June home sales, bucking U.S. trend

The Lehigh Valley Association of Realtors® (LVAR) released figures that show a dramatic increase in June home sales: up 18.6 percent over May 2010.

June sales of 670 homes increased over 565 sales in May of this year, continuing the trend of an upswing in home sales with an increase in May sales from April of 9.1 percent. Nationally, home sales have declined.

"I'm pleased to see the consistent rise in home sales as the housing market has a tremendous impact on the Lehigh Valley economy as a whole," said Rosemary Scardina, Chief Executive Officer of LVAR.

"An increase in people buying homes reflects that others have benefited from selling their

homes and, in turn, stimulates the economy by starting a chain reaction of business for movers, home improvement professionals, furniture stores, landscapers, etcetera."

Scardina attributed the increase in sales in the Lehigh Valley to the quality of life in the area.

"The great amount of open space with parks and recreation areas, local colleges and universities, healthcare institutions, major corporations, cultural events, entertainment venues, sports teams, historical sites and a vast array of restaurants encourage people to move to or stay in the Lehigh Valley," Scardina said.

She also says that assistance to home sellers and homebuyers from

professional Realtors® who are members of LVAR makes a difference in the success of selling and buying a home.

The average June home sale price (total sales dollars divided by the number of sales) was \$211,000, an increase of approximately 9.9 percent from May when the average home sale price was \$192,000.

The June median price (mid-point for the range of prices, half below and half above) was \$191,000, an increase compared to \$175,000 in May.

The average time on the market for homes sold in June was 75 days, a decrease from the May average of 76 days.

June's average sale price for residential properties compared to their listing price was 97 per-

cent, the ratio has remained consistent since March 2010.

Home sales in June 2010 were up approximately 13.8 percent from June 2009, with a decrease in the average time on the market from the average of 13 days in June 2009 to 75 days in June 2010.

Monthly statistics are based on figures generated by the Lehigh Valley Association of Realtors® Multiple Listing Service.

Average sales and median prices fluctuate monthly depending on the number of sales at the high or low end of the price range. The year-to-date numbers generally remain more constant.

LVIA June air traffic rose 19 percent

Passenger traffic at Lehigh Valley International Airport increased 19.02 percent in June 2010, compared to the same period last year.

Passenger volume has been increasing steadily since July 2009 with the exception of weather-related cancellations earlier this year in February.

Year-to-date for 2010 passenger traffic is up 8.11 percent.

"The additional flights from AirTran, Allegiant Air and new service from American Eagle continue to play a role in this growth, while the legacy airlines are seeing business travelers return," said George F. Doughty, Executive Director for the Lehigh-Northampton Airport Authority.

"The increased passenger volume and construction in the terminal can create delays. So we encourage passengers to arrive 90

minutes prior to their scheduled departure time to ensure they have plenty of time to check-in at the ticket counter and get through the security checkpoint," Doughty recommended.

Carriers at Lehigh Valley International Airport, Hanover Township, Lehigh County, include Air Canada, AirTran Airways, Allegiant Air, American Eagle, Continental, Delta, Direct Air, United and US Airways.

LVIA serves a 12-county area with a population base of 3.6 million people. The Airport is accessible from communities in eastern Pennsylvania and northern New Jersey areas.

The airport is entirely funded by user fees; no property tax dollars are used for the airport's capital improvements or for its day-to-day operation.

Information: www.lvia.org

ALLENTOWN FAIR Deadlines listed for contestants

The Great Allentown Fair's Premium List booklet about blue ribbon competitions is available at the Fair office and box office.

PDF versions are available for downloading at the Fair's Web site, www.allentownfairpa.org.

Amateur crafters, collectors, cooks, photographers and others with creative talents have the opportunity to compete as well as area farmers and gardeners.

Placement ribbons and cash prizes are awarded

in each of the exhibitor categories judged the weekend before and during fair week, Aug. 31-September 6.

Entries in these competitive exhibit categories are displayed inside Agri-Plex, the Fair's main exhibit hall, sponsored by Lehigh Valley Health Network.

There are two separate guideline booklets, one for Agri-Plex entries and one for livestock entries, including livestock, fowl and rabbits.

Deadline for registering livestock entries is July 24. Deadline for Agri-Plex entries is 6 p.m. Aug. 7. Ways to register are listed in the booklet.

Each day of the Fair,

culinary contests are presented at the Culinary Contest Stage presented by PenTeleData. The 14 corporate-sponsored culinary contests, described in the Premium List, have separate applications for entry and offer either money or gifts and in some cases, the opportunity to go on to state or national competitions.

Premium lists and applications can be picked up 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Mondays-Fridays at the fair office behind the Ritz Barbecue on the Allentown Fairgrounds, 17th and Chew streets, Allentown, or by visiting the Fair's Web site.

Information: 610-433-7541

U. Macungie man promoted at bank

National Penn Bancshares, the fourth largest bank holding company based in Pennsylvania, has announced that James P. Ferry has been promoted to senior vice president and director of retail banking for the central region (Berks and Montgomery counties).

Ferry is responsible for the retail division's overall performance, objectives, products, operations and strategies. Ferry reports to Tim Day, president of National Penn's central region.

Ferry, who has a background in retail management and nearly 15 years of experience with the bank's KNBT division, was previously senior vice president and regional manager for Northampton County and west Bethlehem in the company's northern region.

Ferry, who received a bachelor's degree in business from DeSales University, is president of the Allentown Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Allentown Symphony Association. He



James P. Ferry resides in Breinigsville, Upper Macungie Township.

Tents, mini-bikes on the list

The following recalls were issued July 11 - 15 by federal and state agencies:

Portable Tents: Tots in Mind Inc. is recalling Cozy Indoor Outdoor Portable Playard Tents Plus Cabana Kits sold January 2005 - February 2010. Clips that attach the tent to the top of the playard can break or be removed by a child. A child can lift the tent and become entrapped at the neck between the rigid playard frame and the metal base rod of the tent, posing a strangulation hazard. The dome-shaped white-colored mesh tent is designed to fit over playards as small as 28 inches by 40 inches or as large as 31 inches by 44 inches to contain a child. There are 12 plastic clips to secure the base of the tent to the top rail of the playard through button holes along the bottom of the tent. The tent has a zippered side for putting in and taking out the child. Consumers should contact Tots in Mind, 800-626-0339, www.TotsinMind.com, to get free replacement clips.

Mini-Bikes, Go-Carts: Baja Motorsports is recalling Mini Bikes and Go-Carts sold November 2004 - June 2010. The gas cap can leak or detach from the fuel tank on the recalled mini bikes and go-carts, posing a fire and burn hazard. In addition, the throttle can stick because of an improperly positioned fuel line and throttle cable, posing a sudden acceleration hazard. This recall involved Baja Motorsports mini bikes with model numbers beginning with HT65, MB165, WR65, MB196, DB30, WR90 and DR90 and go-carts with model numbers BB65, SD65, DN65 and TR65. The model number is located on the mini bikes' fenders and/or decorative fuel tank and on the go-carts' roll cage. They both have black plastic gas caps. Consumers should contact Baja Motorsports, 888-863-2252, www.bajamotorsports.com,

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for a free replacement gas cap and to schedule a free repair of the fuel line and throttle cable.

Cribs: Pottery Barn Kids is recalling Pottery Barn Kids drop-side cribs sold exclusively by Pottery Barn Kids January 1999-March 2010. The cribs' drop-sides can detach when hardware breaks, creating a space into which a young child can become entrapped, which can lead to suffocation. This recall involves all Pottery Barn Kids drop-side cribs regardless of the model number. Pottery Barn Kids is printed on a label attached to the crib headboard or footboard. Consumers should contact Pottery Barn Kids, 877-804-3847, www.potterybarnkids.com, to receive a free fixed-gate conversion kit that will immobilize the drop side.

Climbing Sticks: Muddy Outdoors is recalling 2009 Muddy Outdoors tree climbing sticks sold July 2009 - April 2010. Bolts that secure the cam locs to the frame of these climbing sticks that retains the rope around the tree can break, allowing the cam locs to detach from the frame. This causes the retaining rope to detach and the climbing stick to release from the tree, posing a fall hazard. The recalled climbing sticks are used for climbing a tree and include 2009 year Model 70301 - Muddy Outdoors climbing stick (a 20 inch single climbing stick) and 2009 year Model 70304 - Muddy Outdoors climbing stick (4 pack of 20-inch climbing sticks). The year and model number is printed on a label on the front of the main vertical frame of the climbing stick just below the two cam locs.

Consumers should return the climbing sticks to Muddy Outdoors for a refund, exchange or manufacturer's credit.

Consumers can also contact Muddy Outdoors, www.gomuddy.com, 877-366-8339.

Bicycles: Seattle Bike Supply is recalling 2010 Redline Conquest Cyclocross Bicycles and Framesets sold July 2009 - May 2010. The bicycle fork's legs can separate from the fork crown and cause the rider to lose control, posing a fall hazard and risk of injury. This recall involves all 2010 Redline Conquest Cyclocross bicycles and framesets. The bicycles and framesets were sold in yellow and black, and have aluminum frames and aluminum forks with aluminum steering tubes. "Redline" is printed on the bicycle frame. The bicycles are equipped with a 700c wheel and frame sizes ranging from 44cm to 60 cm. Consumers should contact their local Redline bicycle dealer to receive a free fork replacement. Consumers can also contact Redline Bicycles, www.redlinebicycles.com, 800-283-2453.

Children's Jewelry: Tween Brands Inc. is recalling Metal Necklaces, Bracelets and Earrings sold November 2008 - February 2010. The children's metal jewelry contains high levels of cadmium. This recall involves 19 different styles of children's metal necklaces, bracelets and earrings. Styles and shapes of the jewelry include hearts, heart locks, butterflies, cupcakes, peace signs and crowns. Some jewelry contains the words "Best," "Friends" or "Forever" and/or "BFF." Consumers and return it to any Justice or Limited Too store for a full refund. Consumers can also contact Tween Brands, www.shopjustice.com, 800-934-4497.

For more information: www.recalls.org



Jeff Johns

Klunk & Millan taps web developer

Jeff Johns has joined Klunk & Millan Advertising as lead web developer.

He is responsible for the development and management of interactive e-commerce, content management and digital asset management systems.

Johns most recently worked at the Journal Register Company, Yardley, Bucks County, as the

lead web developer, managing 19 daily and 32 weekly newspaper websites. Prior to that he worked for Viddler Inc., Bethlehem, and The Morning Call, Allentown.

Johns graduated from Lehigh Valley College with a degree in specialized technology.

He resides in Bethlehem with his wife and two children.

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Bargain hunters

Diane Miller, of Allentown, and her daughter, Carrie Laible, of Whitehall, shop for toys for Carrie's 4-1/2-month-old daughter, Hailey, at the June 26 yard sale at St. John's United Church of Christ, Mickleys.

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Matt Ringer, left, and Christian Blum sell baked goods during the event, held on the grounds of the Whitehall Township church.

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By Frank A. Longo

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- 1 Pontiffs' crowns
7 Commercial on the telly
13 In reality
20 From birth
21 Honey
22 Wrinkle removers
23 1975 Patti LaBelle hit
25 High-tech pic producer
26 Exhibits fallibility
27 Give a hand to
28 Japanese poem
30 Wedding vow
31 Wish one could undo
32 1968 O.C. Smith hit
38 New York's — Island
40 Big bore
41 Ovid's 53
42 Once more
45 4 p.m. drink
46 Lima natives
49 1972 Sammy Davis Jr. hit
53 "Pontiac" singer Lyle
55 Coal scuttle
56 Verizon or AT&T, briefly
57 Fillers of job positions
58 Pool length
61 Playful mischief
63 1956 Fats Domino hit
67 Fateful day for Caesar
68 Black piano keys, familiarly
69 "My Way" lyricist Paul
70 1994 Tori Amos hit
74 Gaze upon
77 Canon camera line
78 Wanderers
79 Patriot Allen
81 Last: Abbr.
82 Loving touch
83 1971 Don McLean hit
86 Nelson or Hornblower
89 T-shirt size: Abbr.
90 Foot-leg joint
91 Abbr. on a phone dial
92 Intelligence
95 Lots and lots
99 1957 Harry Belafonte hit
105 Cotton gin inventor
106 — Aviv, Israel
107 — Buddies
108 Germane
109 A little bit wet
110 Graceful
112 1964 Millie Small hit
118 Hot, dust-laden wind
119 Earhart in the air
120 Time in office
121 More yummy
122 Present but not visible
123 More profound

19x19 crossword grid with numbers 1-123 indicating starting points for clues.

DOWN

- 1 Ones laying linoleum
2 Bound by routine
3 — Doria (ill-fated ship)
4 Sun's output
5 Place to enter a PIN
6 Adriatic, e.g.
7 Own up to
8 Fatal
9 Hollywood's Kilmer
10 Historic time period
11 Divest (of)
12 Giggly laugh
13 Bumped off
14 Actress Slezak
15 Get steamy
16 "Dilate" singer DiFranco
17 Simon & Garfunkel hit
18 Car buyer's transaction
19 Gradual absorption
24 See 89-Down
29 — Lingus
32 Ambassador
33 More ludicrous
34 "Do I dare to — peach?": T.S. Eliot
35 Actress Verdon
36 Cell's protein maker
37 Secret plan
39 Tie-toe linkup

- 43 In a lazy way
44 B'way locale
46 Higher than
47 Frau's mate
48 — bitsy
49 Once more than two times
50 Bad luck
51 Tools that create neat lawn borders
52 Unruly crowd participants
53 Defendant in a defamation suit
54 Refined finds
57 Beneficiary
58 Batting order
59 Acid neutralizer
60 River in Nebraska
62 Adm.'s force
64 Fireplace fill
65 Prefix with cycle or lateral
66 Belly-laugh syllable
68 Squeaks (out)
71 Toga party group
72 Petty of "Free Willy"
73 Chevy subcompact
74 Leg part
75 Append
76 Like clocks with hands
80 Ditty syllable

- 82 Low — (like some diets)
83 Soil: Prefix
84 Prefix with physical
85 Actor Sparks
86 Most spicy
87 "Hamlet" role
88 One — (short films)
89 With 24-Down, research rodent
92 — Balls (Hostess brand)
93 Tiger or seal
94 Don't go out
96 Jump vertically
97 "Maximum Bob" novelist — Leonard
98 Slow drinker
100 Rudimentary calculators
101 For the — (temporarily)
102 John Jacob — (fur king)
103 Paintball sound
104 Plains Indian
109 Have a meal
111 Achieved
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Kolb's time arrives



Job is his after trade of McNabb

By SCOTT W. PAGEL
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The familiar faces continue to disappear from Eagles training camps at Lehigh University.

Last year it was Brian Dawkins, and this year Donovan McNabb and Brian Westbrook will be no shows when camp opens July 26. Losing arguably your best quarterback and running back in franchise history certainly signifies times are a changin' for the Philadelphia Eagles.

"Going in to Eagles training camp, the biggest question mark on the offensive side of the ball is of course going to be how [quarterback] Kevin Kolb performs in his first season as the Eagles starter," said Josh Moore, an NFL analyst at 4for4.com, a fantasy football Web site.

Many think the offense won't miss a beat with Kolb taking over for McNabb, who was traded to the Redskins this spring. Kolb even has some support deep in the territory of one of the Eagles' biggest rivals, too.

"We Texans know plenty about Kevin Kolb, who

played his high school ball in Stephenville before punching his NFL-ticket down south at the University of Houston," said writer Jeff Owens who freelances for the Dallas Morning News. "The dude can throw the ball, something easy to say when you pass for 718 yards in your first two NFL starts."

By now everyone knows that Kolb is considered a 'more accurate' passer, but doesn't have the deep-ball arm strength of McNabb.

Moore backed this up with some stats comparing the two. In three games last season, granted a small sample size, Kolb completed 64.6-percent of his passes while McNabb finished 20th in the league in that category, completing just 60-percent. McNabb, however, averaged nearly 1.5 yards more per completion than Kolb, Moore said.

Meanwhile at running back, Westbrook's ankle and knee injuries, along with two concussions over the last few years, forced the Eagles to cut ties. He has yet to find a new home

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Kevin Kolb, shown here in 2008, will be the starter in 2010 with Donovan McNabb's departure.

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2010 Eagles Training Camp, Autograph Schedule

<p>TUESDAY, JULY 27 Times: 8:45 a.m., 3:30 p.m. Notes: Both practices rookies and selected vets only</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, JULY 28 Times: 8:45 a.m., 3:30 p.m. Notes: Both practices rookies and selected vets only</p> <p>THURSDAY, JULY 29 Times: 8:45 a.m. Notes: Rookies and selected vets only</p> <p>FRIDAY, JULY 30 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2:45 p.m. Notes: First full-team practices</p> <p>SATURDAY, JULY 31 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2:45 p.m. Notes: Alumni Day</p> <p>SUNDAY, AUG. 1 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2:45 p.m. Notes: linebacks</p> <p>MONDAY, AUG. 2 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2:45 p.m. Notes: quarterbacks, tight ends, special teams</p>	<p>TUESDAY, AUG. 3 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2:45 p.m. Notes: Afternoon practice — 10/10/10</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, AUG. 4 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2 p.m. Notes: Afternoon special teams only</p> <p>THURSDAY, AUG. 5 Times: 8:15 a.m. Notes: 7 p.m. practice held at Lincoln Financial Field as part of Eagles Flight Night</p> <p>FRIDAY, AUG. 6 Times: 2:45 p.m. Notes: 10/10/10 Practice</p> <p>SATURDAY, AUG. 7 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2:45 p.m. Notes: Afternoon practice — 10/10/10; Health and Safety Day presented by TEVA Pharmaceuticals</p> <p>SUNDAY, AUG. 8 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2 p.m. Notes: Afternoon practice — special teams only; Special Event — Gatorade Junior Training Camp</p> <p>MONDAY, AUG. 9 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2:45 p.m. Notes: Afternoon Practice — 10/10/10</p> <p>TUESDAY, AUG. 10 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2 p.m. Notes: Afternoon practice special teams only</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, AUG. 11 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2:45 p.m. Notes: Afternoon Practice — 10/10/10</p> <p>THURSDAY, AUG. 12 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2:45 p.m. Notes: Afternoon practice — 10/10/10</p>	<p>FRIDAY, AUG. 13 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2:45 p.m. Notes: Afternoon practice — 10/10/10</p> <p>SATURDAY, AUG. 14 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2:45 p.m. Notes: Afternoon practice — 10/10/10</p> <p>SUNDAY, AUG. 15 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2:45 p.m. Notes: Afternoon practice — 10/10/10</p>	<p>Autographs: wide receivers</p> <p>MONDAY, AUG. 16 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2 p.m. Notes: Afternoon practice — special teams only</p> <p>TUESDAY, AUG. 17 Times: 8:15 a.m., 2:45 p.m. Notes: Special event fan appreciation day; Afternoon practice — 10/10/10</p> <p>*Autographs take place after the morning practice. There are a limited amount of tickets available for the autograph sessions. Numbered tickets are handed out to fans upon arrival to training camp and only tickets with certain predetermined numbers will receive autographs on that day. **Information from philadelphiaeagles.com</p>
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Prepping for the Eagles is routine at Lehigh

By PETER CAR
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It's just another day at work for Greg Schulze and his crew at Lehigh University.

As Director of Athletic Facilities and Events, Schulze and his crew are responsible for making sure the Philadelphia Eagles have neatly trimmed grass to run on, adequate space for fans to cheer on and enough security to keep everyone happy and safe once camp opens up on Tuesday, July 27.

Schulze has been working since March with the Eagles on preparations for this year's camp, and the cook book approach they've used over

the past 15 years is still relevant today.

"We really don't do many things different from previous years," said Schulze. "Every time you get ready for an event, it's exciting, but we also have to remember that you're preparing for these people and the team."

"These guys are coming here to do a job and we have to be ready for them. Our guys know that they can't be in awe of the players. It's a very business-like approach."

Schulze will have an army of 75-100 workers on hand from part-time, full-time and volunteer staff during the duration of camp, which ends on Aug. 17.

Making sure that the daily operations of the Eagles facilities runs smoothly is only part of the equation for the athletic crew.

Lehigh also has 25 varsity sports and summer camp for fall sports that will coincide with the Eagles, including Lehigh's football team coexisting with the big boys from the NFL for nine days.

"We'll be working 12-16 hour days when the Eagles get here and we have to give our university teams the same type of service that we give the Eagles," said Schulze. "In all honesty, even when the Eagles leave, we don't get a chance to breathe. There's always something going on."

Even with the dry summer that we've had, Schulze's team has been able to keep the fields irrigated and green. He hopes that training camp will also be a sea of green, as the team and fans enjoy another summer in Bethlehem.

"We hope everything will go alright," he said. "We'll definitely be working enough to make sure there aren't any problems."



PHOTO BY NANCY SCHOLZ

Lehigh and the Eagles have worked together since March to prepare for this year's training camp.



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LeSean McCoy, top, and DeSean Jackson, above, are two young stars the Eagles hope develop alongside of Kevin Kolb.

In the numbers

"Kolb's yards per catch could increase this season with the help of a young receiving core well versed in yards after the catch. Over the course of a season, more accuracy should mean more balls caught in stride, resulting in more yards after the catch this season."

JOSH MOORE

"Look closer at last year's 3-game Dallas sweep and you'll see the recurring trend was Philly's inability to run the ball. The last two games were treacherous with Dallas outrushing Philly 377-93. They averaged 24 carries per game in 2009, 5th worst in the NFL. Their seven red-zone rushing TDs is as awful as it sounds."

JEFF OWENS

CONNIE MACK

Freemansburg set for state playoffs

By SCOTT W. PAGEL
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The Freemansburg Connie Mack team wasn't at full strength during its Lehigh Valley playoff run, but it didn't stop them from advancing to the state tournament, which begins Thursday.

Freemansburg finished seventh in the regular season standings with a 12-7-1 record and 25 points. In the opening round of the playoffs they got by Lehigh Township 8-6 before falling to Coplay in round two, 15-8. The loss put them in the loser's bracket where they went on a run and defeated Bangor, Stroudsburg and Fullerton in three-straight games, including a doubleheader sweep on Saturday. After that, the team ran out of gas a bit, falling to Coplay for the second time after playing four games in three days thanks to the rain.

Head coach Jerry Buss and his team lost some players to vacation, but did have some unlikely heroes step up. "Right after the season ended, we played with nine players and our best pitcher was on vacation," said Buss.

The 13-8 win over Fullerton was impressive because Fullerton was a top-four team entering

the playoffs and had earned a bye in the opening round. Freemansburg was down to its last pitcher, but Alex Zappas helped his squad to the win.

Also stepping up with more playing time in these playoffs have been Joey Leight and Dominic Wooley. Leight recently went 2-for-4 in a game and played a solid right field while Wooley has filled in nicely at second base and picked up some hits as well.

"Everyone has come together," said Buss. "They are surprising the coaches the way they are playing as a team."

During the regular season, the team was led by four main players in Bryce Reinert, Carl Davis and Cody Davis, along with Kevin Rold. Reinert has been the team's ace while the Davis brothers were among the team's best hitters. Rold was a good hitter and pitcher and played well in the outfield to help get Freemansburg to the postseason.

Freemansburg got a few days off as the rest of the Lehigh Valley tournament concluded Monday and Tuesday.

On Monday, Coplay took on Northern Valley for the right to face Nazareth in the finals. But the game was halted because of rain with

Northern Valley ahead 7-4. It was to be resumed Tuesday, after Press deadlines.

Freemansburg knows it will be the Lehigh Valley's four-seed when states begins on Thursday at Lehigh Township's Bryfogle Park.

The loser of Coplay-Northern Valley will be seeded third, Fullerton is fifth, Northampton is sixth and East Stroudsburg is seventh.

Freemansburg will take on the five-seed from the Bucks-Montgomery League, Warrington, on Friday, July 23, at 5 p.m. The winner of that game will take on the Bucks-Mont top seed, Doylestown, Saturday, July 24, at 5 p.m.

For Freemansburg, though, there's no looking ahead at this point.

"We're just going one game at a time," Buss said. "We don't know the other league or the talent level. We still have a couple of kids on vacation so we're just going to see what we can do."

Other state matchups are: Thursday, July 22, LV3 seed vs. LV7 East Stroudsburg at 5 p.m.; BM4 Lenape Valley vs. LV5 Fullerton at 7:30 p.m.; Friday, July 23, BM3 Deep Run vs. LV6 Northampton at 7:30 p.m.



PRESS PHOTOS BY ROB MERCHANT

Freemansburg catcher Frank Snyder gains control of the ball but not before a Nazareth runner scores in the second game of a doubleheader last week in NorCo Legion playoff action. Freemansburg lost 6-4 in game 2.

NORCO LEGION

Freemansburg falls to Nazareth in finals

By PETER CAR
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The baseball marathon of the NorCo Legion championship last week finally came to an end last Thursday, following three nights of rain outs when Nazareth swept a nighttime doubleheader against Freemansburg.

Nazareth won the best-of-three series by taking a 5-1 victory in the first game last week, and then followed that up with a 6-4 win at Freemansburg that same night to finally put a week long of speculation and anticipation aside.

Tyler Magditch threw a complete game five-hitter, with six K's to help Nazareth cruise to their game one victory.

Freemansburg battled back in the second game on their home turf after trailing 5-1.



Freemansburg's Sean Archer gets back safely to second in the opening game of a doubleheader. Nazareth won 5-1 and swept the series in two games.

Drew Kaneps brought in a run in the fourth, followed by a Tyler Slanovec solo-home run in the fifth, along with a Keith

Goldoni RBI single to draw the within 5-4.

Kris Kent belted an RBI single for Nazareth in the sixth to give them another insurance run toward clinching the legion title.

"We really played poorly in the first game," said Freemansburg head coach Chris Medei. "We had a couple errors and we just weren't there mentally. It certainly didn't bode well for us going into game two."

With the series starting last Monday, three nights of rainouts forced the doubleheader action to one day on Thursday, which Medei admitted, does affect a team, no matter how you look at it.

"I'm not going to make excuses because Nazareth was in the same position and they deserved to win," Medei said, "but everyone was chomping at the bit to play. We were on such a high after making the finals, that I think we ran out of energy. The delays certainly affect you."

Despite the result, Medei will take home a special place in his heart of this year's team. After starting 1-7, the team finished the season 13-3-1 for an overall mark of 14-10-1.

That never-say-die attitude from his players has landed a special spot in Medei's memory bank.

"I've been coaching here for eight years and this ranks right up there with the championship team we had two years ago," he said. "That [championship] team still gets the top spot in my mind for what they did, but this team became a family."

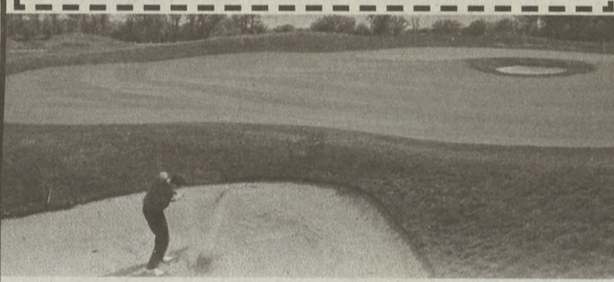
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JUNIOR LEGION

Bath Junior Legion's championship game with South Parkland was suspended Monday night due to rain. SP was winning 3-2 in the bottom of the fourth, according to Bath coach Matt Leon.

The game is scheduled to resume Tuesday, after Press deadlines.

South Parkland defeated Bath in an earlier round 21-3, but Bath battled back in the loser's bracket to knock off SP 15-0, forcing a third game, which is scheduled to take place at Bath at 5:45.

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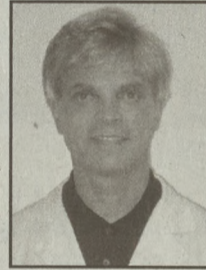
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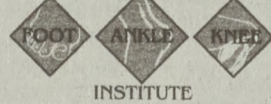
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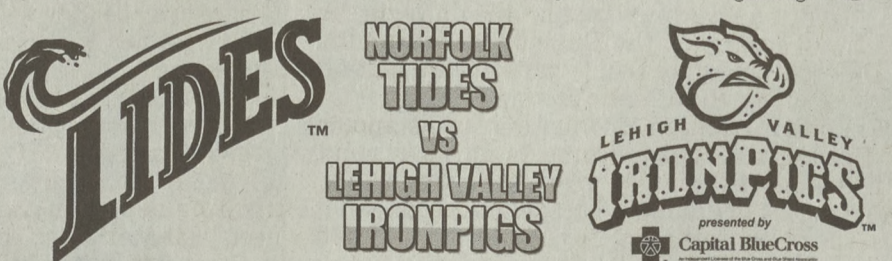
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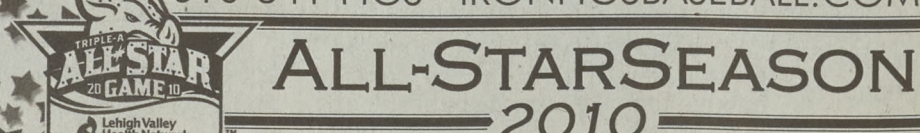
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BETHLEHEM CATHOLIC

Grasso takes over as Dean of Student Life

By PETER CAR
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Mike Grasso is one man that doesn't need much in life to make him happy.

Whether it's attending church, teaching, coaching or coming home to his wife, Grasso feels like a made man on a daily basis because of how he views his day-to-day agendas.

Well, his agenda just grew a little bit more with the news of

him becoming Bethlehem Catholic's new Dean of Student Life.

Grasso, is part of a three-pronged team that will now head the athletic department at Becahi since former AD Bob Bukvics retired this year after 45 years of service to the school.

Now it's Grasso's time to step in and oversee the athletic department duties. He'll be assisted by Ann Ruth and

Carolyn Peoples, who will handle the organization of athletics and disciplinary issues respectively.

"It's very important that we have this team approach," said Grasso of Ruth and Peoples. "I'm very excited about this opportunity and we're all going to do the best we can."

Grasso has been the coach of Becahi's baseball program for nearly three decades, as well as coaching sports like

football and soccer over the years.

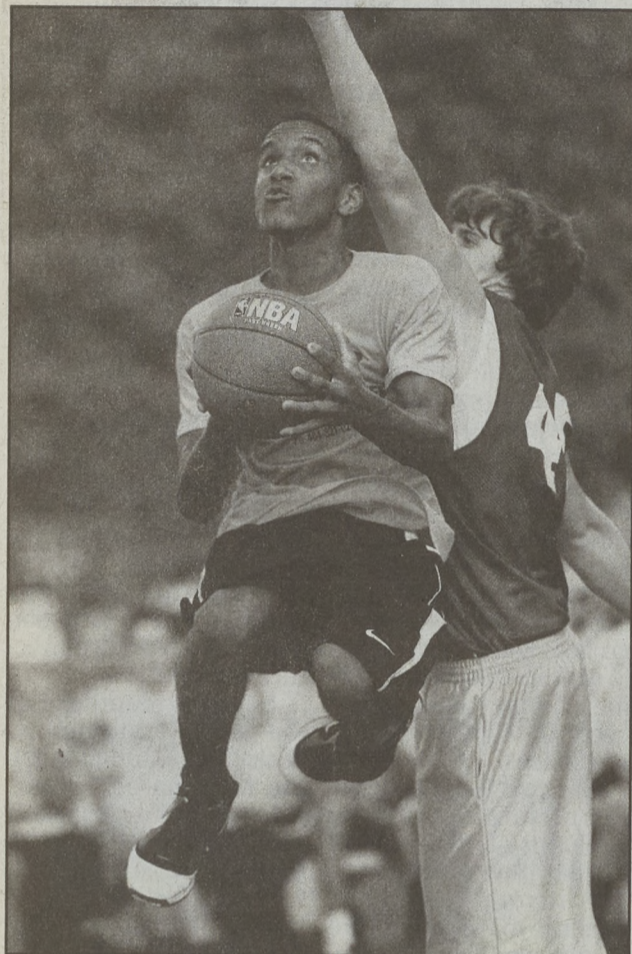
Keeping his coaching duties, as well as being able to teach were some of the provisions he wanted to adhere by in taking his new position.

"This is exciting for me because it presents a different experience," he said. "There's going to be some transitional periods, but I'm a great learner and we'll get through any issues."

One thing Grasso plans to focus on is communication throughout the school, parents and coaches.

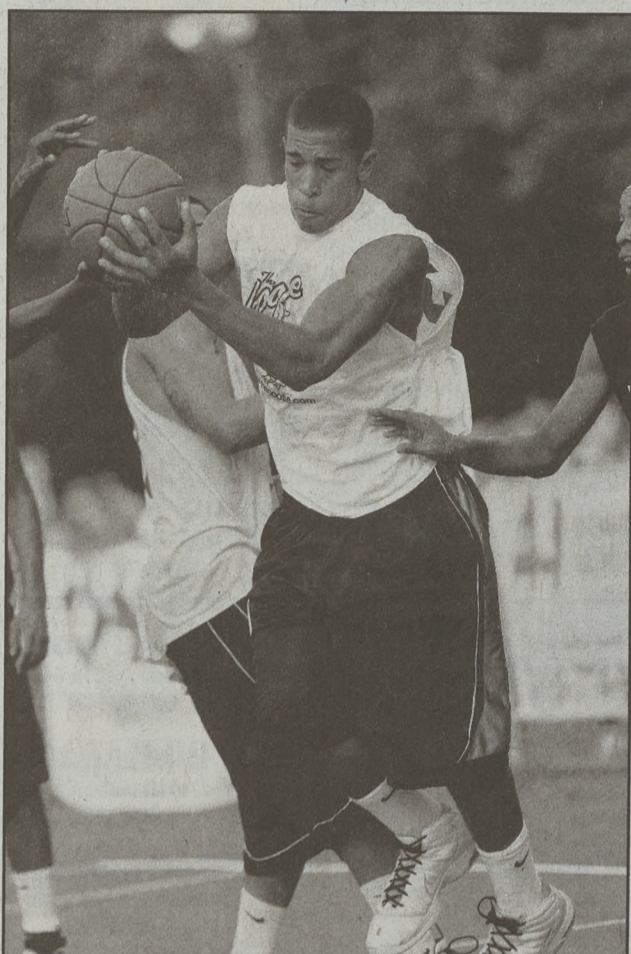
He feels that is the most important aspect in his role and is steadfast to adhere to that.

"Communication is really the biggest thing in everyday life," he said. "It's no different here and that's one area we won't be lacking in."



PRESS PHOTO BY NANCY SCHOLZ

Freedom's Jordan Young and the rest of the Pates fell to Emmaus during SportsFest.



PRESS PHOTO BY NANCY SCHOLZ

Liberty's Dante Holmes helped to lead the team, but the Hurricanes lost to Nazareth of Brooklyn.

Local teams fall at SportsFest

By PETER CAR
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All three boys' teams from Bethlehem advanced to the round of 16 at last weekend's SportsFest tournament in Allentown, but neither Bethlehem Catholic, Freedom nor Liberty could come away with a run at the title.

All three lost in the round of 16 to commence an eventful past two weeks, which also featured a run at the Stellar tournament.

Allen came away from the summer as the big winners and early favorites to take the Lehigh Valley Conference this winter, as

they owned Allentown over the past two weeks, winning the Stellar crown, as well taking home a 45-33 victory over Constitution Sunday night for the SportsFest title.

Even though the summer is used for development and giving new players confidence, as well as keeping established veterans on point, it can also produce paper champions.

Winning in the summer doesn't necessarily translate to winter victories, but everyone isn't afraid to label Allen as one of next year's Lehigh Valley Conference and District 11 contenders.

"Allen is the best team in the league right now," said Liberty head coach Chad Landis, whose team won the District 11 crown last year. "There's a handful of other teams that will get better and challenge them, but they've looked really good."

Liberty lost to Nazareth of Brooklyn 41-34 on Sunday to be eliminated. Freedom fell to Emmaus 43-31 in the round of 16, while Becahi lost to Allen 65-48 to end its weekend.

Liberty had Darrun Hilliard on Sunday, but even his presence couldn't muster a victory.

"We had most of our

team, but we just didn't play well," said Landis. "Still, we had two good weekends of basketball to get guys experience."

That's especially true if Allen are the sharks they're portrayed to be, but after a June filled month of summer league action, followed by two back-to-back weekend tournaments, a reprieve is welcomed.

"The coach in me wants to play basketball every weekend," said Landis, "but the family man in me knows that taking a week off at the shore is pretty good too."

Eagles

Continued from page 11 in the NFL, but was getting plenty of interest. A much younger LeSean McCoy is apparently ready to take the next step in the backfield for the Birds.

"LeSean McCoy should excel with an increased workload," Moore said. "Last season McCoy averaged over a full yard per carry more in games Brian Westbrook did not play — 4.46 vs. 3.35 yards per carry. McCoy will be asked to catch more balls out of the backfield."

McCoy is sharing the backfield with free agent signee Mike Bell, who played with the Super Bowl champion New Orleans Saints last year. Bell, though, had just four catches for 12 yards last season, but should help the Eagles between the tackles. All-pro fullback Leonard Weaver will also be a part of the backfield.

The turnover at running back has left doubts in some minds, though.

"I see the shortcomings in this heated-rivalry turning up in the same categories," said Owens. "I'm not sure two part-time backs [McCoy and Bell] can give Andy Reid enough offense to keep him from pulling the plug on the run-game before halftime, as he sometimes does."

The Eagles do look pretty good at wide receiver with already-established stud DeSean Jackson alongside of second-year player Jeremy Maclin. Veteran Jason Avant is a

real nice option at number-three and Brent Celek emerged as one of the NFL's best tight ends in 2009. All-in-all, Kolb looks to be surrounded by some quality talent in his first full season as the starter.

Chances are, Kolb will need every bit of that talent if the Birds are going to compete for the playoffs and even an NFC East division title. Looking at the schedule, the league seems to think it's going to come down to Dallas and Philly with two prime-time, late-season matchups within a month: Dec. 12 at Dallas, and Jan. 2 to close out the season in Philly.

"The most intriguing game on the schedule for me is another week 17 matchup with Cowboys," Moore said, "which could very likely again be for the division title."

"Dallas is a heavy favorite to be the first-ever team to play a Super Bowl in their own stadium," said Owens. "But first they must get past the NFC East, which, to me, looks like another battle between Dallas and Philly. And I must not be the only one seeing that. The NFL scheduling geniuses have these two teams facing off both times the last month of the season."

The Eagles have a difficult schedule in 2010, at least on paper. On top of an always challenging NFC East, the Birds draw what will be several tough matchups with the Packers, Vikings, Colts, Titans, Texans and 49ers.



PRESS PHOTO BY NANCY SCHOLZ

Jason Avant is now a veteran wide receiver compared to some of the youngsters on the team.

Spoolies problem may be over

By NICK HRONIAK
Special to the Press

If there's one major frustration when fishing, and this is aside from not catching fish, it has to be getting bird nests, also called "spoolies," "tangles" and #@&*. Well that problem may be over for anglers.

Debuting at last week's ICAST fishing tackle trade show in Vegas, the WaveSpin ZTR (Zero Tangle Reel) 1500 and 3000 model reels are guaranteed tangle free.

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The ZTR 1500 and ZTR 3000 reels have four stainless ball bearing, folding soft grip paddle handles, one year warranties, costs less than \$50 and are available at Cabelas and Bass Pro. For more detailed information check www.wavespinreel.com. They're rated for everything from panfish to pike and every species in between.

G. Loomis, the popular fishing rod maker, introduced the next advancement in graphite rods. Their NRX bass rods, offered in 13 casting and spinning models and in 16 four-piece fly rods, have been designed and built to be 20-percent stronger and more impact resistant than their famed GLX rods.

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To see Fenstermaker's entire line of bass lures check his website at www.reveremaxxfishing@msn.com.

VIA MARATHON

Lehigh Valley Health Network Marathon for Via will take place Sunday, Sept. 12.

* Race Registration closes on Aug. 13, at mid-

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* 5K Walk Registration does not close

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For more information, contact: Gina Stano, Special Events g.stano@vianet.org or call 484-893-5389.

GOLF Joe's Tavern

Joe's Tavern Bar and Grill will have their Sixth Annual Golf Outing. It will be held Sunday, Aug. 29, at Green Pond Country Club.

The shotgun start is 1 p.m. and the cost is \$80 per golfer. Proceeds benefit St. Luke's Hospital and Health Network Cancer Center.

For more information on golfing, sponsorships or donating gifts, please call Janet at 610-767-9138.

GOLF Wrestling Officials

The Lehigh Valley Chapter of Wrestling Officials will be hosting its golf outing at the White-tail Golf Course in Bath on Saturday, Aug. 21.

All proceeds go to the scholarship fund. It's a four-man scramble for-

mat and cost is \$80 per golfer. Shotgun start at 1 p.m.

The outing is looking for golfers, hole sponsorships and donations. If interested, call Matt Billy at 610-739-9765 or email oscerb@verizon.net, or Mike Schanz at 610-704-1544 or email mjschanz@msn.com.

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Main Street parking raises historians' concerns



PRESS PHOTO BY DOUG GRAVES

Lanie Graf, assistant archivist for Moravian Church, said that members of her office had met with city administrators and provided them information about historical foundations and artifacts known to be underneath the ground at the proposed expansion of parking spaces. Graf said the administration never provided the information to City Council.

By DOUG GRAVES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Local history preservationists and local merchants are divided over the City of Bethlehem's plan to add parking in historical downtown Bethlehem across the street from the Moravian Book Shop at 428 Main St.

When Moravian historical archivist Lanie Graf spoke, first at the City of Bethlehem Public Works Committee meeting July 6, then immediately following at the City Council meeting, the wheels of progress began to get squeaky.

Graf said her boss, Dr. Paul Peuker, had, weeks earlier, provided Public Works Director Michael Alkhal information that a previous archeological study commissioned by the Historic Bethlehem Partnership in the 1970s recommended that further work be done on what Graf called "The Pottery," which she said is beneath the planned parking lot.

According to the 1970 report, "The Pottery area will need at least one addi-

tional full-scale project to uncover and decipher the extant remains of the early shops and remove modern intrusions."

The report said that the pottery buildings were destroyed in the 1960s, an act which it called a "travesty of historic preservation."

After Councilwoman Karen Dolan read through the material that Graf handed to all of the council members, Dolan made a motion to delay the parking lot until the council can carefully consider further action based on the new information.

Council rejected Dolan's motion by a 5-1 margin. Councilman David T. DiGiacinto was not at the meeting.

Council had already passed an amendment to allow use of \$75,000 in community development or HUD funds to be applied toward the cost of the new Main Street parking spaces.

DiGiacinto later told The Press that he would support a "negotiated, reasonable delay to understand the research and

the funding" for a proposed archeological excavation at the site.

Alkhal told The Press that if there is ample reason that construction on the parking spaces should be delayed that it could be put on hold; but the day after the vote, he told The Press that the project has already been awarded to the Imperial Excavating Company. Alkhal said current plans are to start the construction project following Musikfest or about Aug. 16.

Alkhal said that with the approval of council the city is authorized to start the project at any time. If delayed much past Musikfest, he said, the project would run out of the "building season."

Co-owner of Historic Hotel Bethlehem Bruce Haines withdrew his support of immediate construction of the planned parking spots after hearing Graf's presentation and Dolan's plea to slow the process down.

Dana DeVito, general manager of the Moravian Book Shop, reserved comment on Dolan's proposal to put the parking project on hold pending a new archeological study. DeVito said that the downtown merchants "desperately need" the additional parking spaces.

She said four businesses on Main Street have gone out of business in the past few months.

Samantha Schwartz, general manager of the Downtown Business Association said, "Merchants move to the Historic District — they don't want to ruin anything."

Schwartz said that DBA, a subset of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce, would support the recommendation of the Historic Bethlehem Partnership (HBP).

"My feeling is that I will support Charlotte Donchez-Mowers' [Director of the HBP] position.

HBP's Donchez-Mowers told The Press that she prefers not to make a comment until she confers with her board of directors.

G. Frederick Bonsall,

director of the Historical Architectural Review Board (HARB) which reviews and approves Certificates of Appropriateness for projects within the city's historic district, said city authorities had presented the parking plan as information only. HARB has no authority to approve or disapprove a project on public property. The proposed parking space additions are within city-owned rights-of-way.

There seems little chance that the parking project will be delayed because of a 40-year-old recommendation that more archeological work be done on the site.

Other council members seemed unmoved by pleas of Graf and Dolan to put the project on hold.

Council members Jean Belinski, Eric Evans and William Reynolds did not return calls asking for comment.

Graf told council that several universities, including Muhlenberg College, Lehigh University and Yale University have expressed interest in reopening what was hoped in 1970 to be a temporarily closed architectural excavation.

Several members of the public criticized the back-in parking plan for the new spaces. Haines said that current back-in only parking spaces on Main Street are a great source of amusement to his bellmen and parking attendants, who observe drivers struggling to get their cars parked.

Resident and frequent critic of administration plans Dana Grubb ridiculed the idea that backing out of a parking space was any more dangerous than backing into a parking space.

Council had, in previous meetings, come to accept the \$380,000 price tag for what will now be two handicap parking spaces and five regular parking spaces. Mayor John Callahan has expressed full support for the project.

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Speaking on Mars' hill to the idol worshippers of Athens, the Apostle Paul declared God "made the world" and all "should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him" (Acts 17:27).

The Greek word Paul used here for "feel after" means to "verify by contact." Figuratively, it means "to search for" and indicates a serious attempt to "seek the Lord" and to "find him." Some may think it impossible to "find" God—that He is too far removed from man, but Paul goes on to say, "though he be not far from every one of us." That which separates God from man is sin. "Your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you" (Isaiah 59:2). "Sin is the transgression of the law" (1 John 3:4). Sin is the primary problem between man and God as Psalms 53:2-3 reveals, "God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, that did seek God. Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become filthy; there is none that doeth good, no, not one." If a person is truly sincere in seeking after God, he must first "understand" that God is holy and then deal with the sin that separates him from God. Patrick Morley said it this way, "The turning point in our lives is when we stop seeking the God we want and start seeking the God Who is." We can only contact the God Who is holy when we release our grip of the unholy. The Bible states, "Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you" (James 4:8). Then it explains how to do that, "Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts." This is done by humbly repenting and asking God's forgiveness of sin through the work of Jesus Christ on the cross. If you "feel after" God like this, you will "find him!"

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Borough police announce new programs

By ADRIENNE WRIGHT
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Fountain Hill is making strides to strengthen community policing programs in the borough.

David Appgar, community police officer, made a presentation at borough council's July 6 meeting on new community block watch programs. Appgar will be holding a kick-off event on Aug. 3 in the park on Stanley Avenue, where residents can sign up to lead block watches.

The date coincides with National Night Out, an event throughout the United States where communities encourage crime prevention and block watches.

"We try to get people in the community to leave their lights on that night to send a message that they're aware of what we're doing, and then we become an official block watch community," Appgar said. "The biggest thing is that we need to get people involved, to see how easy it is to run block watches."

Parents who attend the event will also be provided with child identification kits as part of the department's new McGruff program.

In light of the recent heat

wave, Appgar and investigator Sam Del Rosario also started a program called Operation Senior Care to check on elderly residents in the borough who are most at risk in record temperatures. Del Rosario and Appgar visited 24 residents in one week.

"We ensured that they were safe and let them know that we are here, and that if they need anything they can call us," Del Rosario said. "They were very appreciative."

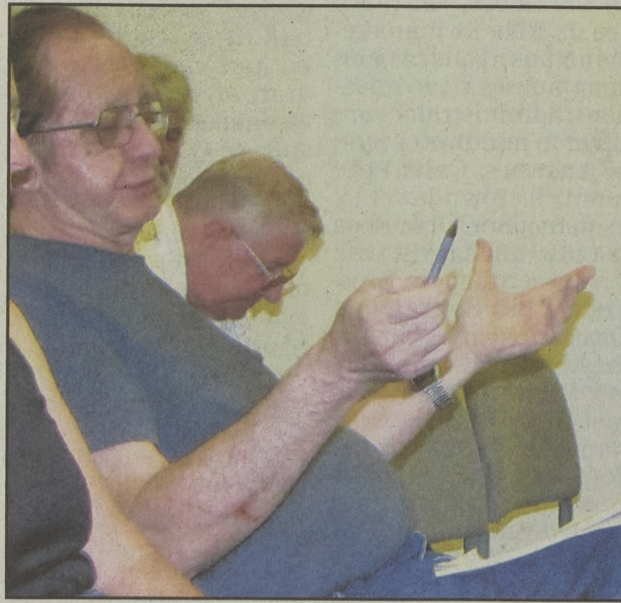
More information on these programs can be found on the police department's Facebook page.

Police Chief Tim Stephens also reported that the police department had received an anonymous gift of 24 folding chairs and eight tables for the department's training room. Stephens said that they've already conducted a number of training programs in conjunction with Northampton Community College.

The council also accepted the resignation of council member Mark Ferencin. The resignation will take effect Aug. 1, a point of contention for many on the council.

"I really resent us paying him that money for July," said Vice President Norman

FOUNTAIN HILL



PRESS PHOTO BY ADRIENNE WRIGHT

Resident Ted Haven expresses his frustration with St. Luke's employees parking on Tomblor Street instead of using the hospital's designated parking. Council members urged him to contact security at St. Luke's to send out periodic memos to hospital employees.

Blatt. "It just bothers me that he never showed up."

Council member Helen Halleman said that Ferencin attended five meetings during his tenure.

In a phone interview, Ferencin said that his work schedule prevented him from

attending the twice-monthly meetings. As a police officer with Lehigh University, he often had to take the middle shift and the \$88 monthly pay for a council member "doesn't pay the mortgage," Ferencin said.

A lifelong resident of the

area, Ferencin said that he just wanted to make a difference in Fountain Hill.

Also present at the meeting was Fountain Hill resident Ted Haven, who lives with his wife on Tomblor Street and wanted to express his frustration with street parking in front of their house. He said that employees of St. Luke's Hospital often park on Tomblor instead of using the hospital's designated parking.

"Sometimes it gets chronic," Haven said. "When you see the same car day after day, it's pretty obvious. It makes it inconvenient for the residents of our particular street."

Haven suggested making the street parking by permit, but many council members had concerns.

"There are all kinds of problems with permit parking," said Mayor Ned Fink. Chief Stephens encouraged the Havens to contact security at St. Luke's to send out periodic memos to hospital employees.

Also at the meeting, borough solicitor Donald Lipson reported that he was reviewing municipal liens from the 1990s when several properties changed hands, mostly through sheriff's

sales, and the borough wasn't paid.

Halleman voiced concern that this wasn't brought to light earlier. "That's not right," she said.

Lipson said that the borough now has a system in place where they are notified when a lien is put on record.

"The good thing is that we're moving forward," said council member Fred Capuano.

Council members also acknowledged last month's Community Day and declared it a rousing success.

"I want to thank everybody who worked at Community Day," said President Larry Rapp. "The event was really good for the first year. A lot of people told me they really enjoyed themselves and they hope it continues. Congratulations to all those who donated time and effort."

Appgar will be leading a wrap-up meeting to decide what could be tweaked for next year.

"We really do think it was a success," Appgar said. "Of course, there's always room for improvement."

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Stoffa listens to Gracedale staff concerns

By BERNIE O'HARE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

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In just 12 days, she'll be retired. Nothing that happens at Gracedale, Northampton County's nursing home, can possibly affect her. But Judy Pezzutto, a charge nurse in a Gracedale Alzheimer's unit with 25 years of experience, was nevertheless at County Council's July 15 meeting, waiting to see if an \$18,000 study of the nursing home was complete. Like many in the nursing profession, Pezzutto cares. She worries that "residents' health and welfare will deteriorate." She believes we should be "taking care of our

elderly, who gave so much to this community." Pezzutto was joined by several other nurses and even a laundry worker. Pezzutto claims "morale is lowest in all the years I've worked at Gracedale." Part of the problem is the result of unfilled vacancies brought about by a county hiring freeze. But even worse is a nursing home administration that is "out of touch" with what is going on. "When the administration changed, everything changed," she said. As an example of the problem, Pezzutto notes there are only 16 RN charge nurses

on the floors, yet there are 22 RNs in management positions. When floor nurses have questions, administrators are either in meetings or have no answers. Called the county's crown jewel by its defenders, Gracedale lost \$6.29 million last year. And according to Executive John Stoffa, who approached and spoke to these workers after the meeting, the county is well on its way to losing a similar sum this year. Pat Repsher, an LPN, echoed Pezzutto's concerns, but agreed there's lots of waste. "I see 17 people from parks, cutting brown

grass and wasting gas. I see 82 housekeepers. What do you need 82 housekeepers for?" she asked. Stoffa told these workers that he had just received a draft of the report and recommendations of consultant Complete Care, and it will be ready for the public in a week. Each of these workers supported selling Gracedale to a private outfit that can manage it more efficiently, provided that it offers the same level of service to residents and is willing to accept County workers at their current compensation levels. "That would be great," Repsher said.

Airport Authority receives \$700,000 grant

The Lehigh-Northampton Airport Authority has received some significant help from the state as part of its "Clean Technology" initiative.

John Hanger, secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, presented the authority with a \$700,000 check.

The money will come from the Alternative Fuel

Transportation Grant. The grant will allow the authority to purchase eight preconditioned air units and electric ground support equipment, as well as the purchase and installation of three eGSE rechargers required to support the new eGSE.

Six new hybrid vehicles will also be purchased to replace old fleet vehicles. Emissions reductions

will be achieved by avoiding the use of auxiliary power units currently providing temperate air to aircraft at passenger boarding bridges; replacing old conventionally powered GSE with new zero-emissions eGSE; and replacing old conventionally powered on-road vehicles with new hybrid vehicles.

The program's primary

focus is the air quality benefit of reduced emissions at Lehigh Valley International Airport.

The project estimates fuel consumption will be reduced by 65,665 gallons used at LVIA alone.

This will allow an annual fuel savings of \$164,163 for the Lehigh-Northampton Airport Authority. For more information on LVIA, visit lvia.org.

'User-Friendly' zoning will hurt local firm

By BERNIE O'HARE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

When introduced in May, Bethlehem Planning Bureau Director Darlene Heller claimed that at long last, the City would have an innovative and "user-friendly" zoning ordinance.

Friendly or not, the draft ordinance has undergone a barrage of criticism.

On July 8, Heller presented the Planning Commission with a detailed, three-page summary of complaints received at three recent public input meetings.

A meeting with only two items on the agenda lasted two hours as residents continued to voice concerns.

Dennis Connell, a Bethlehem architect, told planners he stands to lose several hundred thousand dollars at several properties he owns on North New Street, between North and Garrison streets. Currently located in a Central Business District (CB), the new zoning ordinance will change this to a more restrictive Limited Commercial District (CL). According to Connell, that will have a "heavy impact on the investment I've made in the downtown area."

He explained that the value of his property will drop from \$40 to \$25 per square foot.

"It's time to stand up and put my voice in the mix," he added. Bethlehem resident Robert Pfenning questioned the real motivation for rezoning the southeast corner of Linden Street and Butztown Road from RS to the less restrictive RG, where some commercial uses are permitted as a special exception.

"What's driving this?" he asked, pointing out the only property in that new district that is not fully developed is 2854 Linden St., which has been owned by Dino P. Cantelmi for the past nine years.

"It smacks of spot zoning to me," Pfenning said. Cantelmi is Mayor John Callahan's brother-in-law. Twice, in 2000 and 2009, Cantelmi tried, and failed, to obtain a use variance for a funeral home in this residential area. His latest proposal is Cantelmi Condominiums, which would entail demolishing Justin Jiralanio's home and replacing it with 21 townhouses, complete with individual driveways and 51 parking spaces.

If rezoned, Cantelmi will be able to apply for a funeral home as a special exception.

Unswayed by the suggestion of favoritism, Heller had told planners earlier that "we're proposing that [a funeral home] continue to be a special exception in the RG district."

Sue Fang, currently embroiled in litigation with the Zoning Hearing Board over its decision to allow an expansion at Elias Farmers Market, told planners there are "too many loopholes" for nonconforming uses in the zoning. But Planning Chair Lawrence Krauter suggested that the whole idea of the new zoning ordinance is to reduce those loopholes.

Heller told Krauter that "where appropriate, we will make changes." She also stated she'd like to cut off

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7:30-9 AM - "DAYBREAK USA"
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9:05-10 AM - "THE LAURA INGRAHAM SHOW"
10:05-11 AM - "DUKE & THE DOCTOR"
11 AM-1 PM - "THE JOLLY JOE TIMMER SHOW"
1:05-3 PM - "THE FRED THOMPSON SHOW"
3:05-5 PM - "THE DAVE RAMSEY SHOW"
5:05-6 PM - "WGPA SUNNY 1100 POLKA SHOW"
6:05-SIGN-OFF - "STEVE CAPWELL"

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TROOP M
Operation Safe
Teen June report

“Operation Safe Teen” is a safety initiative instituted by the Pennsylvania State Police, Troop M, Bethlehem, to inform parents and guardians of traffic violations committed by 16- and 17-year-old drivers, which resulted in a traffic citation, written warning or vehicle crash that was handled by the state police.

During June, state troopers throughout Bucks, Lehigh and Northampton counties made 27 contacts with 16- and 17-year-old drivers. As a result of those contacts, troopers notified the parents or drivers by making 23 telephone calls and mailing one letter and three in-person contacts.

Troopers issued 15 traffic citations to these young drivers for violations that occurred in association with a vehicle crash. An additional 17 traffic citations and one warning were issued to young drivers as a result of moving and/or equipment violations. The majority of the traffic citations occurred as a result of speeding or other aggressive driving violations on the part of the young driver.

The State Police at Troop M hope that by publicizing this information, teen-aged drivers will be more aware of the consequences of their driving behavior, knowing that their parents will be notified of any state police contacts. They also hope that parents will take advantage of the opportunity to reinforce the importance of safe driving practices by their children.

RECYCLING
Drop off electronics July 24

Boy Scout Troop #71 will hold a computer and electronics recycling day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. July 24. Drop off old electronic equipment at Lehigh Lodge #326, 2120 Route 100 S., Macungie. Charges may apply for certain items.

SUSTAINLV
Panel to speak July 21

A five-person panel will speak about “Opportunities for Collaborative Efforts in the Local Economy” from 7 to 9 p.m. July 21 at Northampton Community College’s South Side Bethlehem campus (Fowler Center), 511 E. Third St., Room 621. There is free admission. Parking areas include lots across from the NCC building and behind the NCC building on Third Street.

The panel includes Gwen Colegrove of Lehigh Valley Dough, Rex D’Agostino, president of Green Futures Inc., Tianna Dupont, Penn State extension Sustainable Agriculture educator and Troy Reynard, Cosmic Cup Coffee Company owner.

This is the fourth in The Road Forward series of the Alliance for Sustainable Communities-Lehigh Valley. The series focuses on ways to build

the collaborations needed among communities of all kinds, nonprofits, workers and job-seekers, students, educational institutions, local governments and businesses as they transition to a sustainable Lehigh Valley.

For information, call 484-851-3910 or visit www.sustainLV.org.

MOUNTAIN DRIVE
Road closed until late August

As of July 19, the City of Bethlehem’s contractor closed Mountain Drive between the top of the hill at the Y section and at the bottom at Hayes Street. This section of Mountain Drive will remain closed to thru traffic until the project is completed around the end of August. Damaged curbing will be replaced, and milling and paving will complete the project.

Mountain Drive is used by motorists coming in from Interstate 78 and the Hellertown-Lower Saucon area. Motorists coming from that direction will be detoured to Route 378 via Seidersville Road. Motorists that use Hayes Street to access Mountain Drive will be detoured via Fourth Street to Route 378.

DBA
Flea market to be held July 25

There will be a summer flea market from noon to 4 p.m. July 25 on the roof of the North Street parking garage. This coincides with the Second Sidewalk Sale Sunday. There is a charge for a table. Contact samanthas@lehighvalleychamber.org.

VFP/PJAB
Gaza eyewitness to speak July 21

Army Colonel (Ret.) and former State Department diplomat Ann Wright will speak at 7 p.m. July 21 at Wesley United Methodist Church, 2540 Center St., Bethlehem. Wright, a retired U.S. military officer and diplomat, was a passenger on the Challenger 1, one of five ships comprising the Gaza Freedom Flotilla in May. She is an expert on national security affairs, a recipient of the State Department’s Award for Heroism, and has been on several humanitarian aid missions into Gaza. Wright is the co-author of “Dissent: Voices of Conscience,” a compilation of stories of men and women who risked careers, reputations, and even freedom out of loyal-

ty to the Constitution and the rule of law.

There is no cost, but donations are appreciated. The event is sponsored by Veterans For Peace — Lehigh Valley chapter and Peace and Justice Across Borders. For more information, call 484-553-9476 or visit www.pjab.net.

SOUTH SIDE
Saturday flea market until Sept.

The sell or buy South Side flea market, now running from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m., continues through Sept. 4. The vendor tables are at the Steel Ice Center, 320 E. First St. There are spaces available.

Call 610-625-4474, ext. 225 for information.

CIVIC THEATRE
Volunteer event to be held Aug. 7

Civic 19th St. Theatre, 527 N. 19th St., Allentown, will hold a volunteer orientation event for all current and interested volunteers at 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Aug. 7. There will be for free coffee and refreshments.

The agenda includes meeting staff and board members, earning a 2010-11 certification as a front of house volunteer, learning about the different volunteer activities, from set painting to graphic design, hearing about the volunteer appreciation program for the 2010-11 season and touring the theater with the staff.

Current and interest-

ed volunteers must RSVP by calling 610-432-8943 or e-mailing jake@civictheatre.com.

BETHLEHEM
Playground activities listed

The City of Bethlehem has several free, drop-in summer playground activities throughout the city. From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fridays, there are arts and crafts, games, sports, swim days and special events. The locations are Bernie Fritz (Heimple Park), Clearview, Elmwood, Friendship, Higbee and Rose Garden, L.G. Stewart and Westside parks.

For more information, call 610-865-7081 or visit www.bethlehem-pa.gov.

ZONING

Continued from page A16 public comment at the end of July.

Krauter said when the ordinance is revised he’d like to see another period of public comment. Having attended the public input meetings himself, Krauter reported that “the flavor is that we don’t want more commercial intrusion into residential areas.”

But he also agreed with Heller’s assertion that “property should be zoned in keeping with the uses that are there.”

Before it goes to City Council for review, the Zoning Ordinance must first be endorsed by the Planning Commission. But the timing is open.

“We really have no schedule,” said Heller.

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THIS WEEK IN
BETHLEHEM HISTORY
July 21 to 27
Colonial Industrial Quarter

Table games dealer jobs abound

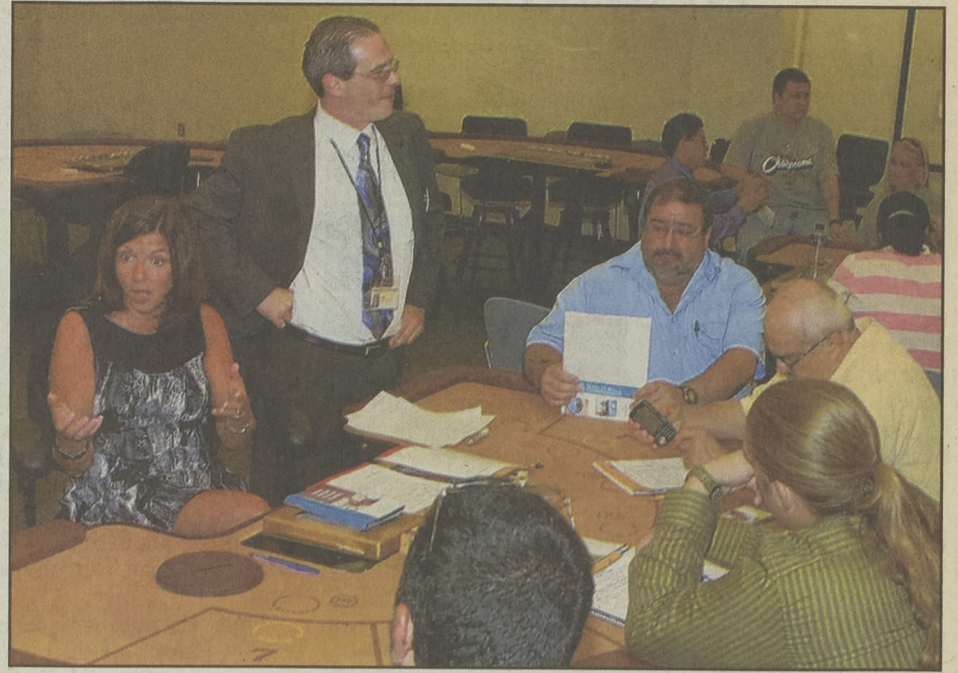
By **DANA GRUBB**
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Officials at Northampton Community College's table games dealer school say opportunities still abound in the gaming industry. At a July 8 open house in the Fowler Family Southside Center dozens of potential students visited to learn more.

Debbie Driscole, assistant director of hospitality and tourism/program manager of table games at NCC, said the open house was being held to "highlight the program and let people know it's a great possibility to get a well-paying occupation in four to six weeks of training."

Prior to the open house, NCC had graduated two sessions of table game dealers with a gaming industry placement rate of 85 percent for graduates. Most have been hired by the Sands Casino Resort Bethlehem and Mount Airy Casino Resort in the Poconos.

Ron Gerlette of Alburdis is one such dealer who graduated from the NCC table games dealer school. Gerlette was present at the open house to provide demonstrations for prospective students. "After working construction for 25 years I needed



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

Northampton Community College assistant director of hospitality and program manager of table games Debbie Driscole and Sands Casino pit manager Brian Pinkey, meet with people interested in attending NCC for table games dealer training.

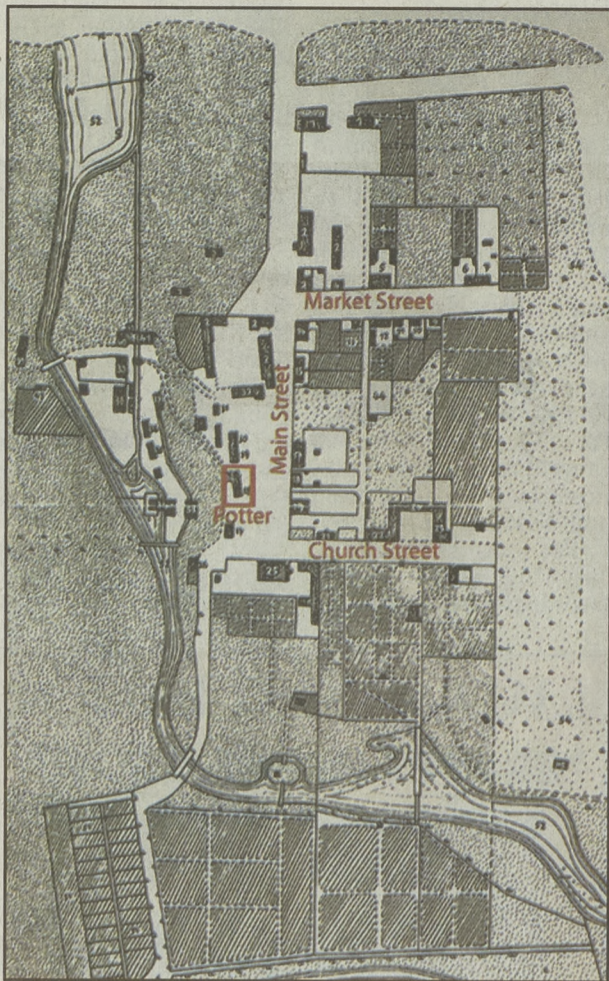
employment," said Gerlette. "I've always enjoyed gambling and the casino atmosphere, already understood the games, it fit my personality. I like people and enjoy the action," he said. Gerlette has received his license, has been hired by the Sands Casino and was undergoing his on-floor training at the casino in preparation for the July 16 test day.

Driscole noted that there remains a big demand for craps dealers in particular throughout the Pennsylvania gaming industry, even as casinos across the state gear up for the start of table games. Northampton Community College and Beaver County Community College are the only two institutions currently offering the table games dealer training. Once

licensed, dealers are able to work anywhere in the world.

Tuition runs between \$550 and \$1,000 depending on the games students want to master. Table games dealers average earnings of about \$40,000 annually with tips.

The next round of classes start July 26, and those who are interested may call 610-332-6580 for additional information.



Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, 1766

Key to map:

1. Gasthoff (Sun Inn 1758) 2. Plantage (Farm) 3. Cunklers (Cukler House)
4. Wagney (Cartwright House) 5. Loden (Store) 6. Boempere (First Store 1753)
- Blacksmith 1761) 7. Horfields (Horsefield House 1749) 8. Goettes Acker (God's Acre) 9. Ant Schmidts (Anton Schmidts House 1750s) 10. Casp Fischers (Casp Fischer's House) 11. Hirts (Hirte House) 12. Okeley (Okely House) 13. Schobers (Schober House) 14. Boeckery (Bakery) 15. Ths. Fischers (Thomas Fischer's House) 16. Langens (Langen House) 17. Kinder-Anstall (Children's Boarding School) 18. Apotheque (Apothecary Shop 1752) 19. Familienhaus (Family House) 20. Wasser Thurm (Water Tower) 21. Familienhaus 22. Gemeinhaus (Community Building 1742) 23. Led Schwesternhaus (Single Sisters' House) 24. Modgenhaus (Bell House 1746) 25. Led Bruderhaus (Single Brothers' House) 26. Schaafs (Schaaf's House) 27. Schreinerrey (Cabinet maker) 28. Topferey (Potter, Tinsmith 1750) 29. Schlosserey u Schmeide (Locksmith 1743, 30. Nagelschmiede (Nailsmith 1750) 31. Familienhaus 32. Markthausgen (Small Market Buildings) 33. Wasserwerk (Waterworks 1754, 1761) 34. Ochlmuhle (Oil Mill 1745, 1763) 35. Weissgerberey (Tannery 1743, 1761) 36. Lohgerberey (Tawer's Shop) 37. Springhaus (Spring House) 38. Fleischerey (Slaughter House) 39. Seifensiederey (Soap Bolling House) 40. Farberey (Dye Works) 41. Mohl u Walkmuhle (Grist and Fulling Mill 1743) 42. Zur Weissgerberey (To the Tannery) 43. Zur Walkmuhle (To the Fulling Mill) 45. Flachshaus (Flax House) 51. Burgergarten (Citizen's Garden) 52. Manakesy (Monocacy Creek) 53. Lecha (Lehigh River) extensions 1748, 1749) 54. Obstgarten (Orchards)

By **KAREN M. SAMUELS**
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Unbeknownst to the millions of tourists who casually walk around the Colonial Industrial Quarter, buried beneath their feet are the remains of the most admired industrial center in Colonial America. Several feet beneath the grass, a maze of stone walls, walkways, cisterns, and the remains of a multitude of products made there await discovery. The lone stone wall which stands near the Smithy is actually the eastern wall of the second floor of the pottery shop.

Two separate preliminary studies of this area recommended full-scale archaeological excavations be done in the area along Main Street. This is the exact location that the city of Bethlehem plans to create 9 new parking spots and build a retaining wall within 38 feet of the reconstructed 1750 Smithy. Their plan, at a cost of \$380,000, also includes widening Main Street 20 feet on the north side, planting trees, Victorian lighting and a lookout area.

The 1970 study of the Colonial Industrial Quarter, recommended "a full-scale project to uncover and decipher the extant remains of the earlier shops." The 1976 study was led by archeologist William K. Macdonald who

wrote, "an archeological investigation of the pottery needs to be carried out simultaneously with any construction activity in the area on a close monitoring basis." The study's recommendation for an archaeological excavation has yet to be accomplished and the "parking space project" will not be monitored by an archeologist, as advised by Macdonald.

Tony Hanna, currently the Director of Community and Economic Development for the city, was the executive director of Historic Bethlehem Inc. during the reconstruction of the 1750 blacksmith shop. Hanna was interviewed, in 1998, about the mission of Historic Bethlehem, Inc. to research and preserve the Colonial Industrial Quarter. He stated, "The whole thrust of this campaign is eliminating an artificial barrier from Main Street to the Monocacy Creek." Historic Bethlehem Inc. has dedicated millions of dollars and countless volunteer hours to succeed at doing just that. However, the property is owned by the city of Bethlehem and the fate of this historic site is in the hands of Bethlehem City Council.

It is surprising to learn of the large number of separate industries that occupied the few acres that comprised the Colonial Industrial Quarter in See **WEEK** on Page A20

Solar field granted conditional approval

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP

By **H.L. STONE**
Special to the Bethlehem Press

It's time to let the sun shine in, at least that's what Country Meadows nursing home told Bethlehem Township's planners at the commission's June 28 meeting.

The township granted conditional approval for the Green Pond Road facility to move forward with plans to build a solar field. Country Meadows would be required to provide a buffer zone between the solar panels and neighboring properties to insure that the reflectivity is kept to a minimum.

Other conditions placed on the project by planners include requiring the gathered energy to be used for the nursing home only, with the option of selling excess power back to PPL.

The panels which will be 8 feet tall at most, will absorb 700 megawatt hours of electricity annually and provide the nursing home with 25 percent of its power.

Since the panels are created to absorb light and are arrayed at a 33 degree angle facing south towards Northampton Community College, glare should not be a problem for the neighboring properties, which lie mainly on the north and east sides of the facility. Even so, Country Meadows plans on planting arborvitae shrubs that can grow into



PRESS PHOTO BY H.L. STONE

Country Meadows could install panels similar to this one at Northampton Community College in its planned solar field, which could be completed as early as this year.

a tall, thick hedge around the field as a natural barrier to any possible light or sight pollution.

At a previous planning meeting, neighbors Joseph and April Davis had expressed concerns over the proposed project, which also includes expanding the existing parking lot. April Davis was again present at the recent meeting to make sure that Country Meadows' project will not adversely impact her property.

She's concerned over glare, not from the solar field, but from parking lot lights, and maintains existing lights mounted on the building shine into her home at night. She also told of a recent robbery where the thief reportedly escaped by walking through her property from the facility's grounds.

Engineer for the project Andy Bohl, said that any new lighting for the parking lot could be angled downwards, and

that Country Meadows is also proposing fencing on its property to deal with these issues. Bohl also suggested that neighbors could provide fencing on their adjoining properties to remedy the situation.

Ted Janeczek, executive vice president and chief financial officer for Country Meadows Assoc., LP said the company is willing to meet all requirements for the project and will consider recommen-

See **SOLAR** on Page A20

PEOPLE SAY ... BY DANA GRUBB

What is your reaction now that BP has apparently capped its leaking oil well?



"I'm cautiously optimistic. They're still testing, so I'm curious to see what their test results will be."
Bruce Meltzer
Highland Park, N.J.



"The uppermost thing in my mind is thankfully it's finally capped."
Laura Czuba
Bethlehem Township



"I believe there should be an ongoing investigation into the operation, why it occurred, and why it took so long to cap it."
John Henchy
Monroe, N.Y.



"You've asked the wrong person. I own two properties in the Gulf and it's not stopped, it's just beginning."
Sue Jenkins
State College



"I hope it works although I'm afraid it won't."
Beth MacRae
Chicago, Ill.



"Why couldn't this have been done 85 days sooner?"
Mary Ellen Klebe
Pine Grove

Maggie Serratelli

Liberty HS

Grade: Graduated senior
Family members: Eileen, Jim and MaryKate Serratelli
Favorite subject: English
Activities: Basketball, tennis, student government
Next steps: Holy Family University to study sports management. I'm playing basketball there as well.
Career goals: To become a women's college basketball coach
Heroes: Pat Summitt, Mom, Dad, both of my grandmothers
Hobbies: Watching TV, reading, playing sports, watching movies, hanging with friends
Current job(s): Special Olympics, Hurricane b-ball camps, Little Dribblers
Likes: CHOCOLATE! Motivational quotes and movies, lime green, ice cream, steak, ketchup, books by author Mitch Albom
Dislikes: Cheesecake, mushrooms, yogurt and



rodents.

Greatest accomplishment (so far): Earning a full basketball scholarship to Holy Family University

Advice for peers: Stay true to your values and always respect yourself and the people around you.

Julia Swan coordinates student profiles for the Bethlehem Press.

Battle of the Bulge veterans visit students

By BRENDAN SCHALLER
 Special to The Press

Several members of Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge, Lehigh Valley Chapter, visited the Lehigh Valley Christian HS May 12. The Veterans shared personal experiences of the war and allowed students to make the connection to the historical period they were studying.

The schoolwide assembly began with a prayer and the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Students then welcomed the veterans by singing a traditional Army song and the "Star Spangled Banner."

Judy Greenhalgh, who conducted the program, asked students to think of two words, "sacrifice and freedom," throughout the assembly. Greenhalgh explained how the time of World War II was vastly different from now, in that most of the country supported the United States involvement in the war. In her opinion, everyone was behind the fight for freedom.

The veterans then each explained how they found themselves in the war. Herb Ridyard, a graduate of Liberty HS, told students that he enlisted as part of college recruitment. Morris Metz wanted to be a part of the military so badly that he memorized the eye chart to pass his physical and be deemed fit for service. Lionel Adda, in contrast to the others, was drafted when he was nearly 21 years old.

Greenhalgh stressed the difference in the way teenagers lived back then. With practically none of the technology young Americans see as commonplace now, involvement in the military was a much more typical path to take. Metz, who graduated from Pen Argyl HS, said 40 of the 41 men in his graduating class had served in the military. Overall, 6 million men served out of the more than 100 million people in the United States at that time, according to Greenhalgh.

Much of the program cen-



PRESS PHOTO BY BRENDAN SCHALLER

Morris Metz and Lionel Adda spoke to students about their experiences during World War II. They are members of the Lehigh Valley Chapter of Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge.

tered on the tragedies of war, and the effects it can have on the human mind. Adda spoke of a past friend from the military who wrote in a journal while fighting overseas. One message in particular he learned from his friend was that every day of life after combat is a blessing.

Metz spoke about difficult transitions.

"When you enter the service, you are taught to kill and destroy," he said. The hardest part, he feels, is when one leaves the service and is forced to try to reverse that lesson.

He also described the process of writing and receiving letters to friends and family during the war, which contrasts sharply with today's messaging technology.

Reading from the small Bible he received upon entering the service, Metz quoted the Psalm 91 for the students.

Feelings of anger and hate were what Ridyard went through during his time overseas. He described being practically taught to hate Germans during his time in the military. His experience included lack of sleep, sickness, bad weather and loneliness. However, Ridyard says the military provided him the opportunity and motivation to attend Lehigh Uni-

versity upon returning from the war.

Issues of communication and loneliness were especially true in the case of Ray Christman. Christman, who was unable to attend the program, had been held as a prisoner of war. He was a prisoner for three months before his family was notified that he was still alive.

Greenhalgh provided several statistics about World War II for the students. She said 405,399 men died while serving the United States military. Of the 16 million who served, 78,952 are still unaccounted for more than 60 years later. That number was once higher, but the U.S. government and others continue to search for records or remains of missing soldiers.

Groups like Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge have only existed in recent years. Its purpose is for veterans to offer each other mutual support and to educate younger generations about the experiences of war, said Greenhalgh.

According to Ridyard, most veterans do not talk about their experiences in the war. He also spoke about the issue of suicide, which many soldiers face during active duty or in their time after the war.

All three veterans, and

many others involved in the Battle of the Bulge, have since returned to Europe and have been greeted with admiration by residents of the countries they liberated from Nazi occupation.

Metz asked the students, who he feels are future leaders, teachers, lawyers and doctors, to work to find a type of diplomacy that doesn't involve killing and destroying.

"You are the future of our country, and I can tell by looking around that our future is in good hands," he said.

The LVCHS students were quiet and attentive as the veterans gave very detailed accounts of the days spent in the service. They listened and asked questions in a welcoming and appreciative manner. Various memorabilia from the war were on display, and many students spoke to the veterans personally after the program had ended.

After all the accounts of their experiences and their hopes for a future without war, Metz told the students that out of nearly all veterans he has spoken to, they say they would do it again.

Their dedication shows just how much these men gave and are still willing to give for their country.

PEOPLE

Local students are Franklin and Marshall grads

Three local students were among the 472 students who took part in Franklin and Marshall College's commencement exercises May 15.

Laura Applegate, the daughter of Michael and Karen Applegate, was awarded a bachelor of arts degree in psychology. Applegate is a graduate of Freedom HS. Timothy Murray, son of Janet and William Murray, was awarded a bachelor of arts degree magna cum laude in government. Murray is a graduate of Liberty HS.

Lebanon Valley names dean's list

Three local people have been named to Lebanon Valley College's dean's list for the spring 2010 semester. George Geza Andriko, Melissa Katherine Demko and Kelcie Lynn Fritts, all of Bethlehem, achieved a 3.40 or higher grade point average while carrying at least 12 credit hours.

Citizens' Academy graduates 15

At a City Hall ceremony June 15, 15 participants were recognized for their completion of the 11-week long Citizens' Academy.

The second academy, which began in April, was designed to inform City of Bethlehem residents about how their city government operates. Class members attended weekly meetings, tours, demonstrations and presentations on the internal workings of the City of Bethlehem.

Mayor John Callahan presented course completion certificates to Clinton D. Aungst, Cathy Barrett, Robert Cornelius, Amanda Daja, David A. Dorward, Theresa Friedemann, Marsha L. Fritz, Christine Johnson, James MacGregor Halleman, Alessandra K. MacGrew, Tina Salgado, Lori Sysak, Clinton B. Walker and Joseph Weber.

City of Bethlehem residents who would like more information about the Citizens' Academy program may visit www.bethlehem-pa.gov/about/citizensacademy.

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 dations regarding neighboring properties. "We'll do everything we're required to do, and we'll do the best that we can," said Janeczek.

In other business, the St. Luke's barn restoration project moved incrementally forward in spite of contention and existing site hurdles. Werner Buckl, engineer for the project, attended on behalf of the hospital seeking conditional approval for the plan.

Buckl wants the township to implement a flexibility ordinance enacted by the Board of Commissioners that allows a property use other than the one originally intended if there is a community benefit to

the use.

Planning Director Howard L. Kutzler said the township would not object to the planners granting their conditional approval.

But there are several site issues still facing the project. A large drainage field from a detention pond currently crosses the main driveway. Drain pipes already in place can only handle a five year storm and greater flooding could pose a threat to the main access road itself. Because the driveway is the only egress to the property, the township would require pipes that could handle a 50 year storm to be installed, a cost which seemed daunting to Buckl.

Buckl proposed creating a culvert and raising the road to solve the prob-

lem, also doubling the number of pipes of the type now in use from 24 to 48 to handle the flow.

But Barry Roth, a long-time resident and chairperson of the township's recreation commission says that unless the drainage is dealt with properly, the bike path that runs through the property in addition to the access road could be wiped out with flooding. Roth said he also feels the township's pumper trucks, which in a fire would have to use the access road, would be at risk in a flood situation if the road were to wash away.

Weighing these concerns, the Planning Commission granted conditional approval for the project with the main requirement that the driveway be designated

for St. Luke's private use only.

The commission also voted to table the Freemansburg Square land development and major subdivision plans and place them under administrative review, until storm water and parking issues can be addressed.

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the 1700s. Historians attribute the remarkable success of the Moravian colonial industries to the collective mission of its craftsmen and craftsmen to support the missionary endeavors of the Moravian Church. They did not compete against each other but worked together, sharing tools, machinery and materials. The Moravian Archives in Bethlehem have the diaries, logs and maps that document

[JUMP]the transactions that occurred [JUMP]there. Just a few steps from Main Street, the following craftspeople worked side by side: the blacksmith, the brick and tile maker, the leather-breeches maker, the butcher, the carpenter and cabinet maker, the cloth weaver, the cobbler, the cooper (barrel maker), the distiller and dyer, the foundry operator, the fuller, the grist-miller, the gunstock maker, the hatter, the lock-smith, the mason, the millwright, the oil miller, the pewterer, the potter, the nailsmith, the saddler, the saddle tree maker (made the wooden frames around which the saddle was formed with leather), the saw-mill operator, the silversmith, the Skinner, the stocking weaver, the tailor, the tanner, the tawer (prepared leather for tanning), the tinsmith, and the turner (turned wood on a lathe).

The Moravian Church diarists recorded the names of

the steady stream of visitors who arrived in Bethlehem to tour the industries. John Adams, wrote a letter to his wife Abigail, during his stay at the Sun Inn. In the letter, dated Feb. 7, 1777, Adams wrote, "They have carried the mechanical Arts to greater Perfection here than in any Place which I have seen." This was a man who had spent a considerable amount of time in Paris and Amsterdam before visiting Bethlehem.

In the late 1790s, another visitor, John C. Ogden, was so impressed by the Moravian community that he sent his daughter to the Moravian Seminary for Girls. He was a minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church. He wrote in his book, "An excursion into Bethlehem & Nazareth, in Pennsylvania, in the year 1799:" "In the building of the potter who makes the tile for this stove, he was employed in making cheap pipes of clay, which are in great use among the Germans, and ought to be extended for the purpose of putting an end to the importation of those articles."

General George Washington and his wife Martha toured the industrial quarter on separate visits, Martha in 1779 and George in 1782. Other dignitaries who came to visit included Revolutionary War generals Sullivan, Poor, Gates, Marquis de Lafayette and Maxwell, and signers of the Declaration of Independence, Samuel Adams, John Hancock and Richard Henry Lee.

Next week, this column, will discuss the potters of Bethlehem and why their wares were in high demand in places as far away as Philadelphia and New York City.

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Probably the most significant aspect of water garden construction promotes is using rocks and gravel to completely cover a liner. The two biggest concerns most people have against storing in a pond are maintenance questions, (how to clean your pond with gravel), and fear of damage, (won't the stones puncture your liner). We'd like to address both concerns. First, stones and gravel actually decrease maintenance. It's how much you put in and how thick you make it. 1 to 2 inches is enough and that way you won't create a dead zone. builds up to a few inches over the course of a year. Skimmer filters do a good job handling surface debris preventing most debris from ever reaching the gravel. However, fish waste and some dead lilies sink to the bottom. In a liner, or concrete pond, these materials rot and even cause gases that are harmful to the ecology. Adding gravel over the entire pond allows bacteria to colonize and break down these excess nutrients. Therefore, nutrients that would normally rot on the bottom of the pond are actually broken down continuously over a season by billions of beneficial bacteria. Instead of just having bacteria live in your filters, rocks and gravel allow your entire pond to work like a filter.

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The role of rocks and gravel in ponds

When I teach natural ponds, I don't teach the customers to use a lot of things they don't need. Adams said. "When they come into this office they're not going to see a place with lots of different ways to build a pond. I teach natural ponds and I teach them which products are good and which products they don't need."

Altogether there are over 600 natural ponds in Berks County, surrounding counties and some out of state which all work with natural and clear water. Adams has found that it is very crucial to work closely with the customers' ponds during the first year to help them understand the pond's ability to take care of itself once it is established. For instance, the front pond at the business is going on its 14th year and has never had to have the water changed, chemicals added, use a UV light or pond salt, or many more items the industry tries to get people to use. The pond industry seems to be geared to sell anything whether it is needed or not. "What really upsets me with this industry," says Adams, "is the UV lights they keep pushing as if you can't keep your water clear without it. If that would be true then why are there over 600 ponds out there working without a UV light and keeping the water clear?" My argument to these pond suppliers is this: How did the Japanese in the 17th century do it? The Egyptians in the time of Pharaohs were into ponds; the Romans in the Roman Empire were into ponds. The first pond dealers on record in about 600BC were the Babylonians. They all had one thing in common - NO ELECTRIC - so how did they do it? They didn't have microscopes, etc. It boils down to WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW WON'T HURT YOU attitude in the pond industry.

"Once they understand how the nitrogen cycle with bacteria works they will realize that they don't need the UV lights and chemicals," Adams said. People come to Fleetwood with many problems in their ponds and are given simple solutions to correct them, whereas other stores only treat the symptoms. "The best then is to just be honest with the people. I don't tell someone to use something if I wouldn't want to use it myself. People eventually learn that what I teach is good, plain, common sense." Remember the Golden Rule which is DON'T DO UNTO OTHERS THAT YOU WOULDN'T WANT DONE UNTO YOU and that applies to the rest of this business, too.

POND QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
Its Ok To Put The Pump In The Bottom Of The Pond: NO
 Some dealers tell the customer that the skimmer only takes care of the surface leaves and not what falls to the bottom of the pond. They are the same ones, who put a pump in the BOTTOM, WHICH DRAWS A LOT OF OTHER STUFF AND CLOGS THE PUMP, which also in turn pumps the junk up to a pressure filter on the surface. The trouble with this system is you'll be pulling out your pump more frequently. Then whatever the pump misses will decompose, creating more Algae food, which continue to compound your food source for algae and this is one of the reasons your water turns green. Remember, a pump in the bottom of your pond DRAWS A LOT OF JUNK. Our system is a lot LESS, LESS, LESS MAINTENANCE. In fact, my pond is going on the fourteenth year and I never had to go through what a lot of customers are going through (including my involvement with over 600 Ponds).
 I never had to do a water change, empty the pond, clean the pond liner or need a bottom drain or many more things. The only time I add water is due to evaporation during the year, sometimes 3 to 5 inches a week in the summer months and during the colder seasons, which has less evaporation! Nature does the rest.

Are Pond Maintenance Agreements Needed?: NO
 You do not need maintenance agreements with our pond system because the maintenance on our pond system is very simple. See us to find out how simple it is.
The Water In A New Pond Or Rebuilt Pond Usually Will Turn Green: TRUE
 It's very simple. It's because the nitrogen cycle is not established yet. It takes about 7 weeks or more, sometime less, for the biological filter to start controlling the green water. Your first year is the critical year, but could also be the 2nd or 3rd year to eventually get established. Mother Nature should start controlling the conditions of your pond. Why in the <None>world would I need a UV Light or Chemicals to do it? These products will kill the bacteria and compound your food source for ALGAE and also cost you a lot of money for things that are not needed. The Key Word is PATIENCE!
You Should Build The Pond In A Shaded Area: FALSE
 Any garden pond can be in full sun light and still have clear water. I know of 557 ponds out there mostly in full sun. No trouble with green water. In fact, one of my customers was told by a Landscape Nursery to purchase some trees to shade the pond. That was to sell trees; and besides, how big a tree do you need to shade the pond and how long does it take until the trees grow up enough to shade the pond. Then in fall you may have a lot of leaves in the pond. GIVE ME A BREAK!
You Should Feed Your Fish Once Or Twice A Day: FALSE
 Who is feeding the fish in the creeks, Blue Marsh dam, etc. NOBODY! The string algae on the waterfalls and algae in the pond is better fish food than you can buy. It's more healthy and enhances their colors. One rule of thumb in the number of fish in Garden Water Pond outside is one inch of fish per 10 gal. of water. Yes, you can feed the fish, but don't worry about your fish starving to death. So go on vacation if you want to.
You Should Be Concerned About Your Electric Bill: TRUE
 One of the most important things about a garden pump is the cost of running it. Submersible pumps are not always the best way to go, but external pumps might be better. We size up a lot of electric pumps, which will work for the pond. Remember, you pay the bill. It's very important, especially if you pay PECO rates.
POND KITS ARE THE WAY TO GO BECAUSE THEY ARE CHEAPER: FALSE
 The problem with pond kits is the following:
 (1) When you dig the hole for the liner it may not fit because of the rocks and roots you may hit. Dig the hole first and then measure and get the liner. (2) To keep the cost down, the company that makes the pond kit may put a cheaper pump in. BUT LOOK OUT ELECTRIC BILL.

You Should Make Sure The Flexible Pipe Coming Out Of The Outlet Of The Pump Is The Same Size That Goes Up To Your Waterfall: TRUE
 But most of the time by going to a flexible pipe larger than the outlet of your pump, you could decrease your Friction Loss, the COST of the pump and also reduce your ELECTRIC BILL.
Water Garden Plants Are Very Good To Have In Ponds: TRUE
 In fact, plants will make your pond work better than a UV Light and give you something nicer, no electric bills, shade for fish and help absorb a lot of the nutrients in your pond. We recommend HARDY PLANTS because you don't have to do any maintenance to them. Just think, does anybody from the City of Reading trim the water lilies in Lake Ontelaunee? Instead, you can plan on giving them away! You may want to build a Biological Filtration system with plants, which will be in most cases a lot cheaper than a Waterfall Biological Filter Box. We call it the 10% Solution. We teach FREE classes on Natural Garden Ponds. People are welcome to look through albums to see around 600 ponds, which have names and addresses.
 I also see a lot of ponds (FREE OF CHARGE) of that I wasn't involved with when the pond was built by somebody else and who didn't buy the pond material from me. It isn't unusual for me to get a phone call about their ponds. At times ponds sold to them by dealers won't work after awhile. The IPPCS Organization states 40% of water features currently built don't work properly from their first day, while an additional 40% to 45% of features will not function properly within a year of installation.
Do You Need A UV Light And Chemicals To Clear Your Water: NO! NO! NO! NO!
 UV Lights are sales GIMMICKS and chemicals are not needed. The pond industry is trying to tell you they know how to make a Garden Pond work better than Mother Nature. Go to any creek and see for yourself. What do they think happened before electric and chemicals were invented. GIVE ME A BREAK!
What's happening to some extent on a national level. Witness exhibit A, last year's article in The Wall Street Journal entitled "Small Ponds, Big Problems?" If you missed it here are some quotes that give you the gist. "As Water Gardening Booms, Ponders' Patience Runs Dry..." "To keep a pond in good health, the water has to be tested daily, the bottom should be cleaned weekly, and - most onerous of all - the whole thing needs to be drained, and completely scrubbed once a year." "...the pump would bog down from debris, there was the mess of cleaning it every three weeks, as we had algae and dead fish. Poor ponds build poor reputations. That's bad news. The good news is that it's AVOIDABLE. THERE IS A WAY TO BUILD PONDS THAT WORK."

One customer told me that she has pets and birds who drink out of her pond. So if we start putting chemicals into the pond and go too far and damage plants and hurt fish, what about your pets! If someone says that isn't true, tell them to put some of your chemicals in their cup of drinking water and drink it. No doubt they'll hesitate doing it.
 One thing about UV Lights - when someone wants to sell you a UV Light, instead of more water garden plants, on which one do they make more money. A UV Light of course. Just think of the maintenance for a UV Light bulb. When the light bulb gets a coating on it, it isn't very effective. It also runs up your electric bill. When winter comes, people are told to take the UV light out, now you have to be a plumber. BOY! Why do all that work, when plants are less headaches.
 Plants will do a very good job in your pond such as hide your fish from Blue Heron birds. Plants pull a lot of nutrients out of your pond. You get a nicer natural pond look. You don't have to plug them into a socket. You'll save a couple hundred dollars without a UV light. REMEMBER, NATURE HAS BEEN DOING THIS FOR CENTURIES!
DO YOU NEED TO ADD BACTERIA EVERY YEAR? NO. Maybe the 1st year, 2nd, 3rd year. Your NATURAL BACTERIA will in due time produce enough antibiotics to control the green water. Here's the common sense. How did all the lakes and streams develop before people were around? NATURALLY! We do use bacteria to kick start the system.

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