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Evans resigns, takes city job

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

City Councilman Eric Evans formally resigned his position on Bethlehem City Council Jan. 16 and was immediately confirmed by the council in a unanimous vote as Bethlehem's business manager, succeeding Dave Brong, the current business administrator. Councilman Brian Calahan was not present at the meeting and Evans recused himself from the vote.



Evans

Evans had just recently been sworn in for his third term as a city councilman.

A round of congratulatory comments followed: to Evans - "You will bring great things to the City," said Councilwoman Olga Negron; to Brong - "I've appreciated getting straight answers," said Councilman William Reynolds. Evans thanked the city council and the staff. "I'm very excited to serve," he said, and added "Thank you," to Louise Kelchner, the city clerk.

He said he has been through six elections and three primaries.

The effective date of Evan's resignation will be Feb. 4, his last day on city council. He will start his duties as business administrator the following day. His annual salary in his new position will be \$107,550.

Evans takes on the full-time position after a career that most recently included being an American history teacher at East Hills MS.

He has served as the chair of the Parks and Public Property Committee, as a member of the Public Safety Committee and as a member of the Human Resources and Environment Committee. Evans also served as the president of city council from 2012- See **CITY** on Page A2

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY BREAKFAST



Winston Alozie from St. John AME Zion Church plays "God Bless America" as the audience stands and sings along at the Jan. 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration at Cathedral Church of the Nativity's Sayer Hall.

PRESS PHOTOS BY ED COURRIER

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE Chaos or Community?

BY ED COURRIER
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

Although it was frigid outside Jan. 15, those gathered inside the Cathedral Church of the Nativity's Sayer Hall felt the warmth of friendship and purpose while celebrating Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The free annual breakfast event was co-sponsored by the NAACP's Bethlehem branch and the Bethlehem YWCA.

Rev. Thomas Sweatt, pastor of St. James A.M.E. Zion Church in Allentown, served as keynote speaker. He expressed gratitude that the celebration of Dr. King's memory "could bring together such a multi-ethnic, inter-generational, cross-section of community."

Sweatt said through these gatherings, "We shall be changed, we shall be elevated, and we shall overcome. "Racism still troubles America today," he lamented. Although the civil rights movement brought about integration, Sweatt declared,

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"He who would control your world moves first to control your resources," says keynote speaker Rev. Thomas Sweatt about making economic equality a top priority. Sweatt is the pastor of St. James A.M.E. Zion Church in Allentown.



After delivering his Martin Luther King Jr. Day address, Freedom HS senior Isaiah Brown is joined by Bethlehem NAACP's second vice president Tomacene Nickens and first vice president Cordelia Miller.

"We must move from that to economic empowerment." Citing recent statistics pointing out a great disparity of wages paid in the workplace by race and gender, he argued, "If you do equal work, you should get equal pay."

"He who would control your world, moves first to control your resources," explained Sweatt about making economic equality a top priority. Improving public education is needed for moving forward, as well as turning out to vote, he said. Sweatt encouraged the audience to live "God-centered lives."

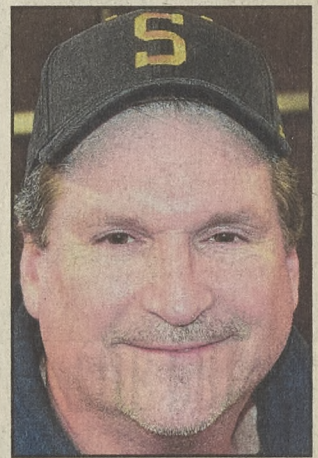
Executive Director YWCA of Bethlehem Stephanie Hnatiw affirmed, "The YWCA's mission is to eliminate racism and empower women." She related the history behind the pursuit of both goals. From the 1940s through the 60s, according to Hnatiw, delegates to conventions and meetings found themselves segregated at their destinations. During the 1970s, the organization concluded, "We're never going to be empowered until racism is eliminated," Hnatiw said.

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PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

With the conference playoffs this weekend, who do you predict goes to the Super Bowl and wins it?



"I hate Tom Brady, so I'm rooting for the Jags. Jags vs. the Eagles with the Eagles winning it all."

Joe Klo
 Bethlehem



"I am an Eagles fan, so 'Go Birds' is my response to all football questions!"

Caitlin McMullen
 Hamburg

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With the conference play-offs this weekend, who do you predict goes to the Super Bowl and wins it?



"Philadelphia Eagles and New England. Hopefully the Eagles will win."
George Timko
Nazareth



"As a long suffering Cleveland Browns fan, I have to go with the local team. I like the Eagles and I like their fans. I think they have the ability to win it all."
George Fairchild
Bethlehem Township



"Eagles vs. the Jaguars and the Eagles win."
Tyler Eick
Palmer Township



"I think the Patriots are going to win it all. I think they'll beat the Eagles."
Barry Durie
Bethlehem

CITY

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13. Council President Adam Waldron then turned his attention to outlining a procedure to find a replacement councilperson for Evans.

Waldron suggested that each councilperson submit at least two questions that would be winnowed down to 10 questions that the city council would ask of potential candidates for the council vacancy.

Waldron said candidates for the vacant City Councilperson position should submit a cover letter and a résumé no later than Feb. 19 at 4:30 p.m. He said candidates would be expected to make a 5-minute presentation to the City Council on March 1.

The new member, once selected, will take the oath of office March 6 for a two-year term which coincides with the next scheduled election.

Dr. Paige Van Wirt, has already expressed an interest in the job. She ran a campaign as a write-in candidate for city council last year. She is supported by her

friend, sitting Councilwoman Olga Negron. Van Wirt is an active physician and beside maintaining her medical practice, is a volunteer physician for the Rescue Mission in Allentown.

Council also had the first reading of a bill to introduce a new law titled "Economic Development Incentive Reporting and Evaluation, Creating the Financial Accountability Incentive Reporting (or FAIR) Program." Council will vote on the new law at the next regular meeting. Under this proposed law the City will have a system in place to track the economic development incentives such as the CRIZ program.

In other business, council re-appointed several people to boards and authorities: Sharon Zondag to the Bethlehem Authority; Dr. Terry L. Marcincin to the Board of Health; G. Frederick Bonsall to the Historical Board of Architectural Review; William Kounoupis to the Parking Authority; and Councilman Shawn Martell to the Community Development Committee.



St. John A.M.E. Zion Church Angel Choir members Alvaro Davila, Xavier Moore, Angeline Alozie, C.J. Richardson, Jada Richardson, Samuel Oloo, Shalom Oloo, and Taylor Henderson-Hood sing "Pray" and "Peace Like a River," under the direction of Winston Alozie.



Nitschmann MS Step Dancers Aniyah Jordan, Imani Whitlow, Imani Fogg and Bianca Justance, directed by Trinnie Sierra, pay rhythmic tribute to Dr. King.



Breakfast attendees Bethlehem business owner Lucie Alozie, hisgranddaughter Elizabeth Alozie, Lt. Rodney Bronson Jr., and Officer Robert Nicholson.

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Bethlehem branch NAACP President Esther M. Lee thanked all those who participated in the community celebration. She praised Bethlehem Area School District Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy, as well as, the Bethlehem police department. Lee expressed pride that "we have some color in our police recruits." One of them, she pointed out, Rodney Bronson Jr., was recently promoted to lieutenant.

In response to recent events in Washington, Lee said, "The president of the United States has insulted us." She announced, "I'm going hit the street this week, old as I am, because I'm going to call for his impeachment."

Roy, Bethlehem Mayor Robert Donchez, State Rep. Steve Samuelson (D), Vice President for Equity & Community at Lehigh University Donald Outing, and Northampton County District Attorney John M. Morganelli each took turns at the podium praising the work of Dr. King and those who followed him.

"We must overcome any attack, large or small on a simple belief that all men are created equal," Donchez said.

"Dr. King showed us the way. But now it is our responsibility to continue his journey to see his dream fulfilled."

"Our district is committed to the work social justice," Roy said. "Dr. King often spoke about affirming the dignity and worth of each individual. Our district's equity work follows Dr. King's teachings."

Commenting on the reportedly divisive rhetoric coming out of the nation's capital, Samuelson said, "I am deeply troubled as I hear words of vulgarity, words of racism, words of hatred." Reading from King's "Strength to Love," Samuelson stated, "Returning hate for hate multiplies hate, adding deeper darkness to a night already devoid of stars. Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that."

Outing quoted passages from King's final book, "Where Do We Go from Here: Chaos or Community?" that predicted a backlash to the progress made during civil rights movement.

"Some of the events of the past year, including the tragedy in Charlottesville, have brought into stark relief the reality that the work of racial, social and economic justice is ongoing and interconnected," Outing said.

Morganelli spoke about how Dr. King and Robert Kennedy had inspired him in 1968 when he was a 13-year-old.

In his address, Freedom HS senior Isaiah Brown read his favorite Dr. King quote: "I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character."

Among the clergy who participated were Rev. Gracher L. Selby from St. John A.M.E. Zion Church, Rev. James I. Jackson, pastor of St. Paul Baptist Church in Bethlehem, and Pastor Melvin Tatem from Grace Deliverance Baptist Church.

Nitschmann MS step dancers and the St. John A.M.E. Zion Church Angel Choir provided musical interludes between prayers and remarks. Bethlehem NAACP first vice president Cordelia Miller presided over a group singing of "God Bless America" and "Lift Every Voice and Sing." The Liberty HS Colour Guard was present for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Led by Pastor N. Cherry from the Liberty Worship Center in Emmaus, everyone joined hands and sang "We Shall Overcome" at the end of the service.



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"Our district is committed to the work of social justice," says BASD Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy.



"Returning hate for hate multiplies hate, adding deeper darkness to a night already devoid of stars. Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that," says State Rep. Steve Samuelson, reading from Dr. King's "Strength to Love," written in 1963.



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Bethlehem City Hall Rotunda: Marianne Knipe, pastel paintings exhibit through March 1. City Hall complex, 10 E. Church St. Visit <http://bfac-iv.org/>.

Bethlehem Area Public Library: Call 610-867-3761 (main) or 610-867-7852 (Southside); Visit www.bapl.org (main) or www.bapl.org/ssmain.htm (Southside); newsletter: <http://bit.ly/2bTICeZ>.

Free homework help: All subjects. Drop in 4 to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. and 400 Webster St. Visit www.bapl.org.

The Cancer Support Community of the Greater L.V.: Free education/support for cancer patients and their caregivers. Call 610-861-7555 or visit www.cancersupportlv.org for schedules.

Cops 'n' Kids Reading Room: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesdays and other days. Room 403, Fowler Center, NCCollege, 511 E. Third St. Call 610-861-5526 or visit www.copsnkidslv.org.

Great Decisions series: sponsored by the Bethlehem YWCA. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Feb. 7 to March 28. Kirkland Village auditorium, 1 Kirkland Circle. Visit www.ywcabethlehem.org or call 610-867-4669, ext. 103.

Historic Bethlehem Museum and Sites: Call 1-800-360-TOUR; visit <http://historicbethlehem.org>.

Moravian Book Shop: 428 Main St. Call 610-866-5481 or visit www.moravianbookshop.com.

National Museum of Industrial History: Visit <http://nmih.org>; 610-694-6644. 602 E. Second St.

Penn State Lehigh Valley: Exhibits: Visit <http://lehighvalley.psu.edu/gallery> or call 610-285-5261.

Salvation Army: Call 610-867-4681 for schedule.

Steelworkers' Archives: Trestle tours, 11:30 a.m. Saturdays, Sundays. www.steelworkersarchives.com.

Wednesday, January 24

BAPL book sale: books, movies, CD's, DVDs, comics, graphic novels and music. Noon to 8 p.m. Main Branch, 11 W. Church St. Most credit and debit cards accepted. Visit www.bestbooksale.org or call 610-867-3761, ext. 235.

Thursday, January 25

Wescor Pulmonary Foundation Pulmonary Fibrosis Support Group, 2 p.m. St. Luke's University Health Network, Hurd Education Center, Fountain Hill.

Valley Community Orchestra's free, public program. 7 p.m. Foy Hall, Moravian College, 342 Main St.

Saturday, January 27

BAPL book sale: books, movies, CD's, DVDs, comics, graphic novels and music. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Main Branch, 11 W. Church St. Most credit and debit cards accepted. Visit www.bestbooksale.org or call 610-867-3761, ext. 235.

The Greater Lehigh Valley Writers Group, 10 a.m. business meeting; 11 a.m. to noon, David A. Miller II program on writing poetry; 1:30 to 3 p.m. poetry workshop, Palmer branch, Easton Area Public Library, 1 Weller Place, Palmer Township. 18 years or older. Registration is required for the afternoon. For information and to register, visit <https://greaterlehighvalleywritersgroup.wildapricot.org/event-2772887>.

Meditation and Relaxation Training with Dr. Kevin Siddons, 10:15 to 11:45 a.m. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Free. Registration required. Visit www.bapl.org or call 610-867-3761, ext. 399.

Souper Bowl IX; presented by The Restaurant Store, VIP Hour 11 a.m. to noon; General admission: noon to 3 p.m. Regional restaurants and caterers soup competition; raffles, live music by Dan DeChellis Trio. Musikfest Café, Steel Stacks, 101 Founders Way. Benefits Arts Education Fund. Visit <http://www.steelstacks.org/event/5682/souper-bowl-ix/>.

Valley Contra Dance, 7 p.m. Unitarian Universalist Church, 428 Center St. Call 610-868-7432 or visit www.valleycontra-dance.org.

Sunday, Jan. 28 through Saturday, Feb. 3

Historic Bethlehem Winter Restaurant Week. North side. Visit <https://getdowntownbethlehem.com/>

Sunday, January 28

PA Sinfonia Orchestra Winter Vivaldi concert with Father Sean Duggan, piano. 3 p.m. Wesley U.M. Church, 2540 Center St. Call 610-434-7811 or visit www.PASinfonia.org.

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MEETING BOARD

Wednesday, January 24

Bethlehem Parking Authority, 4:30 p.m. 85 W. North St.
BASD regular board, snow date, 7 p.m. East Hills auditorium, 2005 Chester Road.

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

Bethlehem Council, 7 p.m. 10 E. Church St. (change of date)
Fountain Hill Borough Council, 7 p.m. 941 Long St. (change of date)

Bethlehem Twp. Municipal Authority, 6:30 p.m. Municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.

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

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PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Northeast MS students and alumni presented their annual Rally 4 Peace message at a program held in Bethlehem's Charles A. Brown Ice House on Martin Luther King Day, encouraging others to pick up the initiative of creating a more peaceful co-existence in today's world through both words and actions. Students craft individual messages using spoken word, song and visual media, and address issues such as bullying, sexual abuse and acts of violence. The initiative is coordinated by learning support teachers Chris Bellman and Jennifer Doncsecz, with support vocal music teacher Denise Parker. **Above:** A series of slides help project their messages, which are created individually by each student.

'Art that's active'

Northeast MS Rally 4 Peace, Jan. 15, Charles A. Brown Ice House



PRESS PHOTOS BY KATYA HRICHAK

All Rally 4 Peace participants take the stage after showing the final video, "Stand Up and Spread the Peace," which featured everyone singing their rewritten version of Walk the Moon's "Shut Up and Dance."

BY KATYA HRICHAK
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Ice House was alive with artistic expression during Northeast Middle School's (NEMS) Rally 4 Peace Jan. 15. NEMS students and alumni came together to present a program centered on injustices in the world and pathways to peace.

"It's a variety of media making their way out from our middle school children and seeing what they're seeing, and they're giving us their glimpse [of] the traumas, the successes, the hopes, all of that," said Denise Parker, vocal music teacher at NEMS. "Some of it will be inspirational, some of it will be graphic, some of it will be unsettling, and it's what our kids are seeing today."

Although the program began as Rap 4 Peace roughly 10 years ago, according to event founder and former NEMS teacher Rona Arena, the program has expanded to feature poetry, song, visual art and video.

"I wanted to work with kids that weren't acknowledged for other kinds of strengths that they had, and I was hoping to find things in the arts that would be ways for them to express themselves around the



Narissa Nieves created a piece of visual media titled "Bloom."



Alumni Jordan Werner (pictured) and Brielle Rivera created a video inspired by the song, "Get it Right" by the Glee cast, titled "Bring Me Down."



"Before you bully me, how about you get to know me," says Ryan Fleming during a rehearsal of his presentation at the 2018 Rally 4 Peace.



Nela Collier presents an empowering spoken word message, "You will be okay."



Aracelys Laporte practices her presentation about bullying during rehearsal. "Sometimes the words you're saying make my heart heavy."

art and slam poetry group, to collaborate with the students in preparation for the performance.

"I feel like the real role of the arts is to build school community," Roysdon said. "It's to give kids a stage and it's also a chance for kids to address their problems. In other words, I'm very interested in art that's active."

The performers addressed the topics of See **ART** on Page A4

topic of peace," Arena said. "Eventually, we had to broaden it from just rap to all different types of artistic forms because [of] the kids [and] the changing population."

For this year's event, Doug Roysdon of the Southside Children's Festival arranged for Basement Poetry, a Bethlehem performance

Robert J. Wirth

Salvation Army worker



Robert J. Wirth, 72, of Allentown, died suddenly on Jan. 3, 2018, in Lehigh Valley Hospital. Born in Allentown, he was a son of the late Myrtle Wirth.

He was a Dieruff HS graduate.

He worked for Allentown State Hospital for 40 years before he retired. He then worked and volunteered at both the Allentown and Bethlehem Salvation Army facilities.

He helped, for many years, with bingo which benefited the Eastside Youth Center.

He is survived by a son, Robert Gorman and his partner Albert Miller of Allentown; three daughters, Debbie Kemmerer, Lois Kull and Jo Kleckner, all of Allentown; a sister, Bonita; and four grandchildren.

He was predeceased by a brother, Ronald.

Contributions may be made to the Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road, Bethlehem, PA 18018.

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Margit Ertl

garment industry presser



Margit Ertl, 83, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 2, 2018, at Easton Hospital. Born in Rabatofalu, Hungary, she was a daughter of the late Koroy and Elona (Shemenck) Domyan. She was the wife of the late John P. Ertl for 52 years.

After immigrating to the United States in 1958, she was a garment industry presser for 37 years in many Lehigh Valley area factories until she retired in 1996.

She was a member of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union.

She was previously a parishioner of St. John Capistrano Catholic Church and, more recently, of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

She is survived by sisters, Helen Pinter and Anna Kozo, both of Bethlehem, and Ebolya Domyan and Theresa Szakaly, and a brother, Karl Domyan all of Austria; nieces; and nephews.

She was predeceased by a brother, Joseph Domyan.

Contributions may be made to the church, 3219 Santee Road, Bethlehem, PA 18020; and/or the American Heart Association, 968 Postal Road - #110, Allentown, PA 18109.

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Guillermo Gonzalez

formerly of Brooklyn



Guillermo Gonzalez, 67, of Bethlehem, and formerly of Brooklyn, N.Y., died Jan. 1, 2018, in St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem. Born in Puebla Mexico, he was a son of the late Josafat and Ausencia (Enriques) Gonzalez. He was the husband of Carmen (Vilanova Rojas) Gonzalez for 43 years.

He worked in building maintenance for many years in the union before he retired.

He was a parishioner of Sacred Heart R. C. Church, Brooklyn, N.Y., before moving to Bethlehem.

He is survived by six daughters, Cruz, Ausencia and Patricia Gonzalez, Olga Mora and Maria and Marisol Carpintero; three sisters, Beatriz, Gloria, Manuela; a brother, Baraguil; 14 grandchildren; and many great grandchildren.

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Rita A. Kapun

born in Fountain Hill



Rita A. Kapun, 66, of Bethlehem, died suddenly on Jan. 3, 2017. Born in Fountain Hill, she was a daughter of the late Casmir and Helen (Bednarik) Szczepanski. She was the wife of Edward J. Kapun for 42 years.

She was a parishioner of Incarnation of Our Lord Church, and was active in the seniors group and activities of the parish.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Matthew S. of Hellertown; a daughter, Marie N. and her husband Chris Embardino of Lancaster; a sister, Rosemarie Szczepanski; and two brothers, Joseph Szczepanski, and Thomas Szczepanski.

She was predeceased by a brother, John Szczepanski.

Contributions may be made to the St. Vincent DePaul Society, c/o Incarnation of Our Lord Church, 617 Pierce St., Bethlehem; or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

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Charles Ryall Ryder

production worker

Charles Ryall Ryder, 64, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 6, 2018, at St. Luke's Hospital after a courageously fought six-year battle with cancer. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Charles S. and Arlene M. (Weirbach) Ryder. He was the husband of Rosanne Marie (Shamenek) Ryder for 46 years.

He was a Liberty HS graduate.

He worked in production with the Coca Cola Bottling Company for 25 years, Pillsbury and, most recently, B. Braun Medical Inc.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Adrienne; a son, Christopher L. and his wife Michele; two granddaughters, Jenna Jimenez and Hailey R. Ryder, both of Bethlehem; and a brother, Scott David Ryder of Philadelphia.

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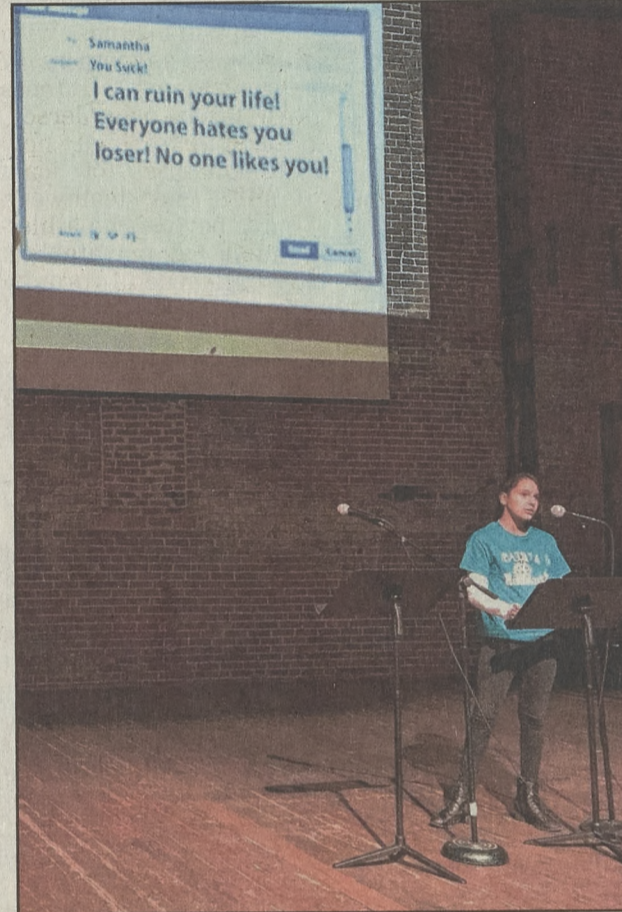
NEMS students and audience members watch and listen to Deirdre Van Walters of the Basement Poets perform spoken word pieces, "Love" and "Define Yourself."

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bullying, suicide, sexual assault, child abuse and self-harm, among others, most frequently through the pairing of visual media and spoken poetry. Quotations from Martin Luther King Jr. were interspersed between the acts to bring together the celebration of the national holiday and Rally 4 Peace, the dates of which always intentionally coincide.

"We have to keep talking to the children, because they are our future," Arena said. "They are the ones we are leaving this mess to, and when they hear the [rhetoric] that they are hearing today that is so hurtful and so disgusting, I believe that we have to set another vision forward for them. We've got to reach our children. They're incredibly important to us. They're a great resource."



Victoria Serrano performs a spoken word piece titled "The World," accompanied by video depicting tragedies and injustices of the world.

New supervisor in Hanover Township

PRESS PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE

On Jan. 2, Hanover Township welcomed Susan Lawless as its newest supervisor. She and John Nagle, who was re-elected in November, were administered the oath of office by Judge Emil Giordano. From left to right are Vice Chairman Michael Prendeville, newly elected Susan Lawless, Esq., Judge Giordano, Chairman John Diacogiannis, Stephen Salvesen and John Nagle.

HARB elects officers, signs off on signsBY ED COURRIER
Special to the Bethlehem Press

After re-electing Fred Bonsall as chairman and Philip Roeder as vice chairman, the Historical and Architectural Review Board got back to work Jan. 3 by looking over applications for signage for three small businesses in the historic district.

HARB quickly granted a certificate of appropriateness to Evan Blose of FastSigns to install an HDU sign for his client at 574 Main St. The logo for AblePay Health is to be carved into a wood-like foam plank and will hang from an existing bracket on the building's façade. Blose agreed to the board's stipulation that a pin-stripe surround the

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From left, board members Beth Starbuck and Gen Marcon entertain Cara Paredes' revised signage proposals for Urbano Mexican Kitchen & Bar and Peculiar Wine & Beer Shop at 526 - 520 Main St.

logo. The antique white letters and red cross shaped graphic on a dark blue background were approved. AblePay Health is owned by John Fistner.

After presenting revised and more detailed signage proposals, Cara Paredes was able to achieve board approval for signs for two adjacent businesses owned by her husband Juan Carlos Paredes. The application for Urbano Mexican Kitchen & Bar at 526 and Peculiar Wine & Beer Shop at 520 Main St. had been tabled at the previously hearing.

Paredes was amenable to the requirement that the black pinstripes be moved in from the edges of both proposed

See **HARB** on Page A5**BRIEFLY****YWCA**

Great Decisions opens Feb. 7

The 44th annual Great Decisions Foreign Policy lecture series, sponsored by the Bethlehem YWCA, will open Feb. 7 and continue through March 28 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Kirkland Village auditorium, 1 Kirkland Circle.

YWCA partners with the private, non-partisan Foreign Policy Association (FPA) in New York City, which selects eight topics each year and authors a 100-page briefing book to supplement the lecture series. For the topic listings, visit <http://ywcbethlehem.org/programs/great-decisions/>.

Registration is now open. Discounts are available for YWCA members. Visit www.ywcbethlehem.org or call 610-867-4669, ext. 103, for more information.

VALLEY

Yoga group

begins Feb. 6

The Crime Victims Council will offer a new trauma processing yoga group for female adolescent survivors of interpersonal violence.

In addition to counseling, physical activity such as yoga can help a survivor heal. This program will focus on breathing, movement and mindfulness to help heal the mind and body.

All classes will be held at Kula Heart Yoga and Wellness, 3400 Bath Pike Suite 201, Bethlehem

The group will meet every Tuesday at 6 p.m. beginning Feb. 6.

To join this group, contact Lauren Vlot at 610-437-6610 ext. 318 or by e-mail at lvlot@cvclv.org.



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

Preparations are under way for the Bethlehem Area Public Library's first book sale of 2018. "Nothing beats the freezing winter blahs like curling up with a good book," says Kate Racculia, who is the development and marketing specialist at BAPL. Scheduled today from noon until 8 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., this sale will feature over 15,000 titles, including mysteries, children's series, nonfiction, classics, DVDs and music. Parking is available in the City Center garage beneath the library after 5 p.m. on Wednesday and all day Saturday, and most major credit cards are accepted. For additional information visit www.bestbooksale.org or call 610-867-3761 ext. 259. Above: Georgine Gilligan, a retired elementary school librarian living in Orefield, was shopping for nonfiction and fiction at the final book sale in 2017.

BETHLEHEM Rotary speaker stresses teamwork

BY DANA GRUBB
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Members of the Bethlehem Rotary Club and their guests learned much about teamwork from former Phillipsburg HS, University of Notre Dame and Seattle Seahawk linebacker Ned Bolcar at their meeting Nov. 8. Bolcar starred at P-burg, captained Notre Dame's last national championship football team in 1988, and played for four years with the NFL's Seattle franchise before injuries cut his career short. He related a number of his experiences in sports and in business as he stressed the importance of leadership and teamwork.

Now in business with his wife as owners of Orangetheory Fitness Studios in New Jersey, Bolcar explained how the qualities of leadership and teamwork move beyond the athletic field to private life. "We learned through sports and school that



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

Parade Magazine Defensive Player of the Year in 1984 at Phillipsburg HS, captain of Notre Dame's last national championship team in 1988, and former Seattle Seahawk, Ned Bolcar tells Rotarians, "You have to work together for a common goal."

you can't have success unless you work together as a team," said Bolcar, who also noted that the coaching change at Notre Dame, from Gerry Faust to Lou Holtz, "orchestrated the best lead-

ership" for the team that won a national championship in 1988 at 12 and 0 and finished 12 and 1 in 1989 as number two in the country. Bolcar was named to a number of All-American teams

while at Notre Dame. Today Bolcar resides in Warren, NJ with his wife and two children. "My heart is here in the Lehigh Valley," he said.

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Continued from page A4 blade signs. "Urbano Mexican Kitchen & Bar" would be printed in black over a warm granite-like background while "Peculiar Wine and Beer Shop" would appear in black on a faux cork background. One is to be installed on an existing bracket. The new bracket for the other sign cannot be drilled into the brick. It must be anchored in mortar.

The window and door logos for both establishments are to be somewhat reduced. The restaurant's window signage is to be a brass

color. The window decals for the beverage store is to be a light tan. The building is owned by David Klein Real Estate and was the former location of Little Italy on Main.

The Historical and Architectural Review Board meets the first Wednesday of every month to review all exterior changes proposed to buildings in the Bethlehem Historic District north of the Lehigh River. When a proposed project receives a certificate of appropriateness from the board, applicants must wait for City Council to vote on it before proceeding.



Evan Blose from FastSigns seeks HARB approval for a 21-inch by 36-inch hanging sign for 574 Main St. Behind him, from left, are board members Connie Postupack and Diana Hodgson.

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AP chem changes despite pushback

BY MARK KIRLIN

Special to the Bethlehem Press

Up for a vote by the school board was a decision to add the Advanced Placement Chemistry course to the high school's program of studies beginning in the fall of 2018. Currently, the high school offers 12 other advanced placement courses for students to choose from. The AP Chemistry course is a rigorous class that would require students to do a significant level of work over the summer in preparation for taking the class. The district has chosen high school science teacher Ashley Yestrumskas to teach the course when it begins. Yestrumskas has already co-taught the course previously.

There were two opposing sides to the discussion. On one side, a contingent of high school juniors, who clearly did not want to miss out on an opportunity to take the course this coming fall during their senior year. On the other side were the science department teachers, who felt nine months to prepare would be "rushed" and were pushing for a start date in the fall of 2019 instead.

First to speak to the

SAUCON VALLEY



PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

Board members Cedric Dettmar and Mark Sivak listen to discussions during the Jan. 9 meeting.

board was Thomas Koch who is the science department chair and teaches science at the high school. According to Koch, the sentiment of the department was not to reject AP Chemistry, but to have more time to prepare so they could do their jobs more effectively. Koch also said the college board recommends an entire academic year to prepare for the course by gathering materials, preparing curriculum and to complete all 16 labs.

The next speaker was high school physics and environmental science teacher Cameron Fowler. Fowler said

he believes the existing Honors Advanced Chemistry course is just as rigorous as AP Chemistry, but acknowledged that it does not have all the same objectives that are required with AP Chemistry. He went on to say he sees no reason to accelerate the timing of AP Chemistry and not a single teacher approves of adding it for the 2018-19 school year. Fowler, referring to the board, said "I feel like you've heard the claims from a small number of people, but ignored the very professionals to be expected to carry out the implementation." Fowler also said the board is "calling the shots from

the outside" and their approach to this issue "sets up a contentious relationship that will ultimately be harmful to our students."

Superintendent Dr. Craig Butler addressed the audience and prefaced his comments by saying was in no way, shape, or form trying to discount the outstanding faculty. However, Butler provided information disputing Fowler's claim of a "small number of people." According to Butler, a poll was taken to survey students to see if there was enough interest in the class. Of the students surveyed, a total of 70 expressed interest, and 49 of the 70 said they would take the course including the required summer work. Twenty-one of the 70 said they were interested in the course but could not commit to the summer work. Based on the results, "to me the interest is more than significant" said Butler.

Six of the students who voted in support of the class attended the meeting. One of those was high school junior Sarah Duffy, who spoke to the board. She began by reading e-mails di-

CENTER FOR ANIMAL HEALTH & WELFARE

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



Jamie is a 3-year-old female brought to the shelter as a stray. She is a laid back cat and would prefer a home with a cat similar in personality. She is currently in a cage because the free roaming room was too stressful.



Ethel is an 8-year-old Boxer found with her daughter, Lucy. Lucy has been adopted, but because of her age, Ethel remains at the shelter. She is shy but sweet, and would do best in a home with no other dogs and a stay-at-home mom or dad.

FACEBOOK

Set your news feed now

Facebook is changing its news feed, and it will decrease the amount of local news that you will see on the site. But there is a way to make sure that you still see the local content from the Bethlehem Press.

The changes to the news feed started rolling out this month. According to Facebook, your news feed will prioritize posts from friends and family over businesses and pages, including local newspapers.

Luckily, Facebook allows users to prioritize pages so you see their content first. If you want to continue seeing articles from the Bethlehem Press, here are some instructions:

1. Access your "News Feed preferences." On your phone, you can find them by clicking the icon in the bottom left hand corner of the screen, and scrolling down until you see settings.
2. Select "Prioritize who to see first." You'll see a list of the pages you have liked or followed, and you can select the Bethlehem Press.

You can also do it directly from the Bethlehem Press page. Click on the "Following" button just below our cover photo. In the drop down menu, under "In your news feed," click on "see first".

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We want to make sure that you continue to see the breaking news and coverage of municipal meetings and events at your children's schools from our reporters.

SCHOOL NEWS

Freedom HS: Benefit bingo Jan. 29

Vera Bradley designer handbag bingo; benefits FHS band and orchestra., 6:30 p.m.; snow date: Feb. 2. No one under 10 years old will be admitted; older children must be accompanied by an adult. HS cafeteria, 3149 Chester Ave. Information: email Bingo@gmail.com or call 610-216-0484.

Liberty HS: Orientation set for Jan. 24

There will be an incoming freshman parent orientation from 7 to 9 p.m. today in the high school auditorium. There will be a Latino youth talent show from 7 to 9 p.m. on Jan. 26 in the high school auditorium.

Allentown Diocese: Music Festival Jan. 25-27

There will be a Diocesan Music Festival at Allentown Central Catholic HS Jan. 25 through 27. Catholic Schools Week begins Jan. 28 and runs through Feb. 3.

St. Anne's: Catholic Schools Week begin Jan. 28

Catholic Schools Week will be observed at St. Anne School beginning Jan. 28 at the church and in the school. The school will host an open house from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at 375 Hickory St. For more information, call 610-868-4182 or email ebriada@stannebethlehem.org.

Charter Arts: Teacher in-service Jan. 29

The school will be closed Jan. 29 for a teacher in-service day.

Dance Soup Jan. 26, 27

The Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts dance department will host a Dance Soup program at 7 p.m. Jan. 26 and 27 at the Charter Arts Theatre, 321 E. Third St. Tickets will be available at the door or by visiting www.CharterArts.org.

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A look at recent results from the pool.

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Hawks lose a heart-breaker while the Pates and 'Canes look to step up.

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▼ **THEY SAID IT**

"If we're going to close the gap in the Lehigh Valley, we need to work harder in the weight room. I'm a big believer in the weight room and that's going to be one of the things we focus on right away."

Kyle Haas

Former Becahi and current Kids head coach

▼ **BRIEFLY**

LLL BRIEFS

Three important updates for the Lehigh Little League Community:

1. Monthly Meeting Schedule for 2018

• Monday, Jan. 29, 7 p.m.

• Monday, Feb. 26, 7 p.m.

• Monday, March 26, 7 p.m.

• Monday, April 23, 7 p.m.

• Monday, May 21, 7 p.m.

• Monday, Sept. 24, 7 p.m.

NOTE: The meeting this month is Jan 29 (5th Monday). All other meetings this year will be held on the 4th Monday of the month shown. The meetings are held at the Senior Field Clubhouse.

2. 2018 Registration Update

Registration is open now through Jan. 31. Please be sure to register before it closes to avoid late fees. You can log on here to register: www.lehighsportsassociation.org.

3. Tryouts

Due to a number of player, coach, and officer conflicts, we will be holding tryouts on Sat. March 10 (not March 3 as originally planned) at the Lehigh Little League complex on Illick's Mill Rd. The tryout weather date will be Sun. March 11 at the same times.

Haas new football coach at Northampton

BY PETER CAR
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Kyle Haas has found a new home, as the former Bethlehem Catholic football coach was formerly approved to become Northampton's new head coach during Monday's school board meeting.

Haas served as Bethlehem Catholic's interim head coach in 2016, leading the program to an 11-4 mark, which included a District 11 4A title and an appearance in the state semifinals, while current Becahi head coach Joe Henrich

took a year off from the sidelines for personal reasons.

The hiring of Haas is one that Northampton hopes can bring them back to a consistently, competitive level, as the K-Kids went 12-36 in four seasons under former head coach Mark Scisly. The program hasn't bounced above .500 since 2008 and Haas certainly knows the challenges he'll be facing coming into the job.

"If we're going to close the gap in the Lehigh Valley, we need to work harder in the

weight room," said Haas. "I'm a big believer in the weight room and that's going to be one of the things we focus on right away."

"I think Northampton has a chance to compete by playing two years in the EPC North, but we need to work hard. That's something that needs to be stressed."

Northampton athletic director Shaun Murray interviewed five candidates for the position and Haas' experience and plan for the program ultimately sold the

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FILE PHOTO

Kyle Haas, shown here coaching the Hawks in 2016, will take over at Northampton.



Matt Lackman and the Hawks were surprise shutout victims recently but will look for revenge in the EPC finals this weekend.

EPC wrestling day set for Saturday

BY PETER CAR
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The East Penn Conference Wrestling Championship Day will take place this Saturday at Easton Area Middle School headlined by the 7 p.m. showdown between Bethlehem Catholic and Nazareth for the EPC crown.

The Golden Hawks (7-1, 7-0) knocked off the Blue Eagles (10-0, 5-0) last year 40-20 to win the league title and will be favorites to do so again.

Wrestling begins at 1:30 p.m. Saturday with the bottom three teams from Division A and B squaring off.

The next round takes place at 3:15 p.m. with the 7th, 9th and 11th place bouts taking place.

The third and fifth place bouts get going at 5 p.m. with Liberty (14-1, 5-1) likely taking on Parkland (6-6, 5-2) in the third place bout. The fifth place bout could see Easton (6-2, 5-2) facing Stroudsburg (10-2, 5-2).

Freedom (7-4, 3-3) will most likely wrestle during Saturday's 3:15 p.m. round against Whitehall (9-5, 3-3), Emmaus (5-6, 3-3) or Northampton (10-3, 5-2).

Final pairings for Saturday's lineup won't be released until Thursday, which comes after Press deadlines.

Seminary blanks BC

BY PETER CAR
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There's one thing you never see from a wrestling boxscore and that's Bethlehem Catholic having a zero beside their final score.

For the first time in Jeff Karam's 10 years as head coach of the Golden Hawks, a team shut them out over the weekend.

Wyoming Seminary's 56-0 victory over the Hawks on Saturday night was certainly an eye-opener, even for the most seasoned Becahi observer.

Facing the third-ranked team in the country on the road was never going to be an easy task, but not coming away with a victory certainly humbled the Hawks (7-1) in their first

defeat of the season.

"We wrestled a very tough team and they [Wyoming Seminary] were probably favored in six bouts," said Karam. "They just got on a roll early and took control. We weren't able to get any of the toss up bouts and we just wrestled really uninspired. I saw it from the kids in the warm up and I just didn't do a very good job preparing them for the match. It's like we were stuck in quicksand and could never get out."

Nate Lackman suffered a 4-2 loss to Timothy Levine to open the bout at 106 and the tumbling continued with Matt Mayer getting pinned by Nic Botello in 3:32 at 113 to put the Hawks behind from the get-go.

Kenny Herrmann

(126) lost by major decision, while Jared Papsy (132) and Ryan Anderson (138) each went down with decisions in successive fashion. Seminary ended the match with falls in three of the final four bouts, including Tavion Banks (182) getting pinned by Darrien Roberts in 5:43.

Cole Handlovic (145), Luca Frinzi (152) and Mikey Lewis (160) each lost decisions by one-point as well. Papsy fell by a point too, giving the Hawks four losses by slim margins against one of the nation's top teams.

"We look at this as a learning experience for our guys," Karam said. "It shows us a lot of things we need to work on. We were definitely humbled as a team. Now we got to move on

from that and prepare for Pleasant Valley this week and Nazareth on Saturday."

Saturday's showdown for the EPC crown against the Blue Eagles will take place at 7 p.m. at Easton Area Middle School.

The Hawks are looking to win their seventh straight EPC crown. After knocking off Nazareth last year 40-20 in the league final, the Blue Eagles came back to win the District 11 and PIAA 3A crowns in the ensuing weeks.

Karam acknowledged that those results won't play much into the psyche of the team, but perhaps a bit of a rivalry has now been formed, one that was sorely needed in the Lehigh Valley.

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BC girls top CB West

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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A big third quarter for Bethlehem Catholic's girls' basketball team led to a 52-45 victory over Central Bucks West in a nonconference game on Saturday at Bethlehem Catholic High School.

"We get six out-of-conference games a year ... it really gets us ready for playoffs and state competition," said Becahi coach Jose Medina. "This was our third game in a row, which is unprecedented, but we've got a deep bench, and the girls have great resolve."

The Hawks were down 11-3 but chipped away at the Bucks' lead which included five threes between CBW's Maddie Burke and Kaili Carey in the first quarter.

"[Burke] is a great player, but once we realized that and kept out

on her shots, it was a lot better, and we kind of shut her down a little bit," said Becahi senior Hope Brown, who made an interception between two Bucks players on an inbounds play, scored on a layup, and was fouled.

"Right before that inbounds play [Coach Medina] let me know [Izzy Treon] was going to get it, so I knew they were going in that area, and when they threw it up, I just ran for the ball," Brown said. "I like to play every possession like that, try and be the first to the ball."

Two important plays in the second quarter came from the Hawks' bench. Julia Zambo scored from underneath, and on the next play, Jaleesa Lanier had a steal and a layup to give the Hawks their first lead of the game.

"[Jaleesa] does a great job. She's a game

changer. She had a steal and a layup today. Solei [Rodriguez] had one yesterday. We have some dynamic, quick guards that can change the game defensively, and Briana Barnard in there and Julia Zambo do a great job changing the complexion of the game," said Medina.

Offensively, the Hawks' third quarter was all Brown and Taliyah Medina, who scored a three to end the third and another three at the beginning of the fourth, prompting a "Funky Cold Medina" from Becahi's P.A. announcer.

"We like to prove ourselves outside of our conference, especially with big 6A teams like this," said Brown.

Taliyah Medina, who had 25 points, was unavailable at the end of the game after being fouled and taking a fall

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PRESS PHOTO BY LINDA ROTHROCK

Hope Brown and the Hawks, shown here against Northampton, were able to rally and knock off Central Bucks West.

SWIMMING

FHS girls rally to win

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Freedom's girls' swim team came back from a 29-31 deficit at the diving event to score a 96-83 over Stroudsburg last Thursday at Freedom.

"It's a very different dynamic than some of the larger teams because recently we've been going against some of the bigger teams in the league like Nazareth and Parkland, so going against a team that was basically at our level made it a lot more competitive, and pushed us, I feel, as a team to cheer for each other and work our hardest to pull out the win, and we did it," said Freedom junior Alex Koehl.

Linda Mao, Abby Burnette, Sage Hillier, and Erin Madden opened the meet with a victory in

the 200 medley relay in 2:06.38.

In diving, Sarah Gill placed first with 189.80 points, followed by Fallon Tatlow with 180.00 points, and Leigha Evans with 165.95 points, all for the Patriots.

Burnette came in second in the 100 butterfly in a close finish with Stroudsburg's Julia Delaney.

"It was really close the whole time, but at the end, I kind of lost some endurance and she outtouched me," Burnette said.

Madden took first place in the 500 free in 6:13.09, and Burnette placed first in the 100 breaststroke in 1:13.22.

"It felt really good and I felt strong in the water," said Burnette. "I try and have a really strong start and I try

not to pay attention to the person next to me. I build off that energy, but it's my race and I use that for myself."

In the 100 backstroke, Hillier placed second, Mao was third, and Grace Christensen placed fourth.

The Patriot girls ended the meet with a victory in the 400 free relay with Koehl, Madden, Mao, and Burnette in 4:19.60.

"I had shoulder surgery last year, so a lot of these meets recently have been regaining my confidence, so in that race, I wanted to prove to myself I could do it and beat my time in my 100 free that I swam earlier," Koehl said.

This week, Freedom will host Allentown Central Catholic on Thursday.



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Daemon Robinson and the Kids fell to the Kids at the buzzer.

Becahi loses to Kids in final seconds

BY JAMES BUNTING
Special to the Press

Most longtime Lehigh Valley high school basketball fans will tell you there has been a slow decline in attendance over the past decade or so.

Student sections seem to be shrinking, and bleachers are rarely full at most contests in the area.

You never would have known that last Friday night when the Northampton K-Kids visited Bethlehem Catholic.

Parents, students and supporters packed the Golden Hawks' north Bethlehem gymnasium for the likely East Penn Conference game of the year. Northampton emerged with a 52-51 win to hand Bethlehem Catholic (12-2, 8-1) its first EPC loss of the season.

With 5.3 seconds re-

maining and the Golden Hawks leading by a point, Northampton drove the length of the court in three passes, with senior Cory Weisenberger hitting the game-winning layup as time expired.

Weisenberger scored a game-high 22 points for the K-Kids, who won their eighth-straight game.

Becahi led 16-14 after the first quarter, but the Hawks were held scoreless for the first four minutes of the second quarter. Northampton used a 9-0 run to take a 28-22 lead into halftime.

The Golden Hawks opened the second half on 7-0 run to take a one-point lead, but Northampton immediately answered to lead by six after three periods.

Becahi once again opened the fourth quarter on a 9-2 run to take a

one-point lead, but the K-Kids had a counter-punch at every turn.

Justin Paz sank two free throws to give the Hawks a one-point lead with under a minute remaining. Northampton's Aidan Ellwood missed a layup at the other end, but Tyrese Brandon forced a turnover to set up the eventual game-winner with 5.3 seconds remaining.

Ryan Young led the Golden Hawks with 16 points, followed by Paz with ten.

The Golden Hawks have a big week ahead to see where they stack up in the PIAA landscape. Bethlehem Catholic hosts Central Catholic (13-2; No. 10 in 5A last week) on Friday, Jan. 26, then play Archbishop Wood (No. 3 in 5A last week) on Sunday in the Lehigh Valley Hoop Group event.

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Freedom's boys' swim team got off to a strong start in their meet against Stroudsburg, winning the 200 medley relay and ultimately securing a 98-68 victory over the Mountaineers last Thursday at Freedom.

Colin Burnette, Grayden Hogan, Spencer Smith, and Al Bell took first place in the relay with a time of 1:45.55.

I led off with the backstroke," said Burnette. "I think I was at a 27.0 which is right around where I want to be. I've been at 26.3 so anywhere between 26.3 and 27 is pretty good. Grayden got a bigger lead, and then we kept building on that momentum, and Al was able to bring us home."

Hogan won two indi-

vidual events, the 200 IM in 2:15.47 and the 100 breaststroke in 1:08.44.

Bell also won two individual events, the 500 free in 4:51.08 and the 100 backstroke in 59.27.

The backstroke had a 1-2-3 finish for the Patriots with Burnette being outtouched by Bell and with Dominic Fresoli who placed third.

Earlier in the meet, it appeared as if Burnette won the 100 butterfly, but it was later established as a disqualification.

"Basically, it was a technique issue," Burnette said. "Coming off the second turn when I broke out, my legs kind of separated, so it kind of looked like I did a freestyle kick, and it's not that it necessarily was a freestyle kick, it's just that, because of the separation, that's what

it sometimes comes across as, but it's better to know that now than to go to districts and do that."

Bell, Jack Runco, Hogan, and Burnette closed out the meet with a first place finish in the 400 free relay with a time of 3:37.62.

Regarding the Patriots' season so far, Burnette said, "I think it's a completely different atmosphere. We lost a lot of good swimmers, obviously, but we have a lot of new and younger ones, and then the new coach [Will Berisha] adds a lot of energy and spark to the team. It's just refreshing the way he gets into meets. He's a very technique-oriented coach, so he's able to fix a lot of our faults that we have, and it will pay off in the long run."

Crunch time for Hurricanes, Patriots

BY PETER CAR
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It's getting down to crunch time for Liberty and Freedom on the hardwood and time isn't on their side.

The Hurricanes (7-8) and Patriots (6-9) have roughly three weeks left on the calendar and if they're going to make a run at the playoffs, each game will have significant impact on their postseason ramifications, as both teams don't have much room for error the rest of the way.

The Pates have lost three straight and six of eight to push them to the bottom of the District 11 6A rankings heading into this week. Things don't get any easier either, as they took on Bethlehem Catholic (11-2) on Tuesday and face Nazareth (9-6) on Friday night. Losses to both teams would eliminate the Pates from the post-season.

Liberty, on the other hand, has a tough

stretch to finish the season, but the Hurricanes could sneak their way in.

That starts with this week's games against Easton (8-6) and Northampton (11-3), which will surely keep the pressure on Chad Landis' squad to bring their best effort every night.

"These next two weeks are really important to us," Landis said. "We have some rematch games against teams in our division that we lost the first time we played. We'll get a chance to see if we have improved at all from the beginning of the season."

"Every game is important for us. The good part is it's almost like the playoffs start early for us, we will need to play at a high level consistently in order to have a record good enough to make the post season."

Liberty will need to catch some divisional wins if they want to

extend their season, as they're 1-4 in Steel Division play heading into this week. Freedom is 2-4 in the division, while Bethlehem Catholic is 4-0, as they suffered their first EPC loss of the season last Friday to Northampton 52-51.

With the EPC always figuring to be a battle every night, Landis and company know what it's going to take in order to make a late season push.

"If we can play more consistently down the stretch then I believe we deserve to make the playoffs and we will," he said. "If we do not play consistently down the stretch and don't do the little things from an effort standpoint, we won't make the playoffs and probably don't deserve to. The players and coaches both know that is the key. When we play hard and do the little things we have been pretty good for stretches this year. When we don't, we have struggled."

his familiarity with the EPC and time spent on staffs was important for us," said Murray. "Kyle's ability to relate with kids and the feedback we got about him was very high. He really came in here and lined out a plan for us that I

think everyone will be excited about."

Haas spent last season as the running backs coach at Moravian College, but now will get his ultimate wish of heading a high school program again.

"Taking a year off



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Jase Smith of Liberty took first place in the backstroke against Northampton in a recent swim meet.

LHS tops the K-Kids

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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With their boys' swim team intact, the Liberty Hurricanes scored a 93-65 victory over Northampton on Jan. 11.

Robert Negrón and Jake Evert returned to the pool after missing one or more meets due to illness, and both were double individual event winners in the win over the Konkrete Kids.

Negrón took first place in the 50 free with a time of 21.44, and the 100 butterfly with a time of 53.87.

Evert took first place in the 200 free with a time of 1:51.14, and the 100 free with a time of 48.62.

Teammate Jase Smith

won the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:00.75.

The Hurricane boys also placed first in the 200 medley relay with a combination of Smith, Yousef Ismail, Omar Mohammed, and Negrón in 1:47.15, and in the 200 free relay with Smith, Jareb Keyock, Chris Chambers, and Evert in 1:34.33.

Liberty's girls' swim team also defeated Northampton, 100-77.

Sabrina Krotzer, Natalie Richardson, Kay Wetmore, and Kendra Smith opened the meet with a 1:58.60 victory in the 200 medley relay.

In individual events, Anna Lehr won the 200 free in 2:04.32, Smith placed first in the 50 free in 26.32, and Samantha

Taylor tied for first with Northampton's Sarah Hosking in the 200 IM in 2:17.41.

Wetmore took first place in the 100 butterfly in 1:02.23, and in the 500 free in 5:31.68.

A 1-2-3 finish for the Hurricanes in the 500 free included Maddy Drager, who came in second, and Theresa Cazzarubias who was third.

Cara Kuykens placed first in diving with a score of 180.25, and Lehanna Sine placed second with a score of 160.10.

In the 200 free relay, Smith, Krotzer, Richardson, and Abby Mack took first place with a time of 1:46.30.

NHS

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brass on tasking him to overhaul the football program.

"His experience at the high school and collegiate level, as well as

BC

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late in the fourth quarter.

Brown had 12 points

for the Hawks, Natalie Rhine scored five, Lanier and Abby Brown had three apiece, and Zambro and Morgan Orloski scored two points each.

EPC STANDINGS

BOYS BASKETBALL		
	EPC	Ov
Skyline		
CCHS	9-1	14-2
Northampton	6-3	11-3
Nazareth	6-4	9-6
Emmaus	3-5	8-6
Parkland	4-5	7-7
Whitehall	2-7	5-10
Steel		
Becahi	7-1	11-2
Allen	6-2	9-5
Easton	4-4	8-6
Freedom	4-5	6-9
Liberty	3-6	7-8
Dieruff	1-7	6-7
Mountain		
PM West	8-0	9-4
ES South	7-1	13-1
Stroudsburg	4-5	6-7
Pleasant Vy	2-6	6-7
PM East	1-8	6-8
ES North	0-7	1-11

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Mountain		
Stroudsburg	7-2	10-3
Pleasant Vy.	4-5	8-6
PM West	3-5	5-8
ES North	2-6	4-8
PM East	2-7	2-12
ES South	1-8	4-10
Skyline		
Parkland	7-2	8-5
Northampton	5-3	9-5
CCHS	6-3	8-6
Nazareth	6-3	10-5
Whitehall	3-5	5-8
Emmaus	3-5	6-7
Steel		
Easton	7-1	12-2
Becahi	7-1	12-2
Freedom	7-2	11-2
Allen	5-2	10-2
Dieruff	1-7	3-10
Liberty	0-9	0-13

SWIMMING

Boys		
Emmaus	6-0	6-0
Parkland	6-0	6-1
Nazareth	4-0	4-0
Northampton	4-1	5-1
Easton	4-2	5-2
Liberty	4-1	4-2
Whitehall	2-3	3-6
Dieruff	2-2	3-2
Stroudsburg	2-2	2-2
CCHS	2-4	2-5
PM West	1-4	1-5
ES South	1-4	1-4
Freedom	1-2	1-2
PM East	0-4	0-4
Allen	0-4	0-6
ES North	0-6	0-6
Girls		
Parkland	6-0	7-0
Emmaus	6-0	6-0
Liberty	5-0	6-0
Northampton	4-1	5-1
Easton	4-2	5-2
Whitehall	3-2	4-5
CCHS	3-3	4-3
PM East	2-2	2-2
Nazareth	2-2	2-2
PM West	2-3	2-4
Stroudsburg	1-3	1-3
Dieruff	1-3	1-4
Freedom	0-3	0-3
Allen	0-4	0-6
ES South	0-5	0-5
ES North	0-6	0-6

WRESTLING

Division A		
Nazareth	5-0	10-1
Easton	5-1	6-1
ES South	4-1	7-3
Parkland	4-2	5-6
Freedom	3-3	7-4
PM East	3-4	5-7
Allen	1-5	7-9
Dieruff	1-5	3-10
CCHS	0-5	0-6
Division B		
Becahi	7-0	7-0
Liberty	5-1	14-1
Stroudsburg	5-2	10-2
Northampton	3-2	8-3
Whitehall	3-3	9-5
Emmaus	3-3	5-6
ES North	2-5	4-14
PM West	1-6	5-11
Pleasant Vy.	0-7	3-10

Valley soccer scholar athletes announced

The 2017 top male and female Lehigh Valley Soccer Scholar Athletes will be announced during the annual awards banquet on Sunday, Jan. 28, at the Northampton Banquet and Event Center, 1601 Laubach Ave., Northampton.

The winners will come from the 44 schools which nominated their top male and female players.

Also, longtime soccer referee and assignor, Harold Grahn, will be inducted into the Lehigh Valley Soccer Hall of Fame.

The keynote speaker will be Rob Berkowitz, head men's and women's coach at East Stroudsburg University. Tickets, \$30, are still available, dinner starts at 5:30 p.m. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Contact Carol Golden, gardenercg@yahoo.com for more information.

yahoo.com for more information.

Bethlehem Catholic

Sara Bauman, daughter of Hank and Sharon Bauman, competes in basketball, track and played with Bethlehem Soccer Club. She participates in National Honor Society and student government and plans to study government and go to law school.

Andrew Thomas, son of Joyce and A.J. Thomas, was a four-year player and captain and participated in the Blue Mountain Youth Soccer League. He participates in National Honor Society, is vice president of Peer Listening, member of Key Club and Mini Thon. He plans to study accounting.

Freedom

Amber Buck is the daughter of Maria and

Kevin Buck. She's a four-year varsity player and senior captain who also played for FC Pocono and LVU. She plans to study physical therapy.

Andrew Youwakim is the son of Catarina Youwakim. He's a three-year varsity player and second team all-conference. He also played for LVC. He's a member of National Honor Society, is school board student representative and class president. He plans to attend MIT to study chemical engineering.

Liberty

Sara Ebersole is the daughter of Jim and Kari Ebersole. She's a three-year varsity player, senior captain and played with Bath East Allen Soccer and the Bethlehem Soccer Club. She's a member of the National Honor Society

and plans to study psychology at Millersville.

Safa Turkdonmez is the son of Hasan and Semra. He's a two year varsity player and third team all-conference. He played with Bethlehem Soccer Club and Bethlehem United and is a member of student council. He plans to study computer engineering.

Moravian Academy

Caroline Joseph is the daughter of Christine and Michael. She's a four-year varsity player and two-year captain and first team all-league. She also plays basketball. She's an MA ambassador, class president and member of prom committee. She plans to study animal sciences.

Daniel Elmi is the son of Aram and Farhad. He's a four-year varsity player and first team

all-league and also plays tennis. She's a member of the orchestra and the Jewish Heritage Club treasurer. He plans to study aerospace engineering.

Notre Dame GP

Erika Antunes is the daughter of Victor and Maria Antunes. She's a four-year varsity player, captain and was second-team all-league. She's also a member of Lehigh Valley Magic, LVU and FC Europa. She plans to study biomedical engineering at Elizabethtown College.

Kaiden Chinchar is the son of Keith and Stephanie Chinchar. He's a four-year varsity player, two-year captain and was all-league. He also played for Lehigh Valley Magic, Western Lehigh FC and Reading Rage. He plans to study environmental science.

DARTS AND TRAPSHOOTING

DARTS	
Suburban Dart League Standings	
Salem Luth	36 12 .750
Christ UCC	28 17 .622
Bath Luth	25 20 .556
St. Paul's	25 23 .521
Dryland	23 22 .511
Emmanuel	21 24 .467
Messiah	20 25 .444
St. Stephen's	20 25 .444
Salem UCC	17 25 .405
Ebenezer	16 26 .381
Farmersville	18 30 .375

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S - Kris Wentzel 5-12, Bill Rinker 5-12 HR, Ed Taylor 4-12 HR.
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Bethlehem Inter-Church Dart Baseball league
Standings Week 2-1
RESULTS 1/8
First UCC @ Trinity UCC 4-3 (10in), 2-9, 1-3; All other matches postponed.
HIGHLIGHTS 1/8
1) Dan Miller 6-13, Rick Dow 5-10, and Steve Kish 5-12 for WS Edgeboro.
2) Dale Mack 7-13, Barry Coles and Gary Mosser 6-14 for Holy Trinity.

TRAPSHOOTING
Suburban Trap League
East Bath, Jan. 21
Copechian - 125
25's Diane Arner, Willie Domitrovitsch, Mark Ferdinand, Dennis Thomas, Jon Zadzora
East Bath - 125
25's Brendan Doorley, Harry Gochenauer, Bob Godiska, Jim Gontar, Adam Kast, John Manning
Ranger Lake - 122
25's Steve Meckel, Tony Subjin
24's Rich Bernardin, Dennis Cacciola Sr., Allan Hunter, Greg Klucharich Jr., Mark Ryan, Seth Tavolaro
Blue Ridge - 123
25's Gina Koran, Mike Kresge, Dave Schwartz
24's Dave Brader, Jeff Hahn, Doug Heller, Mark Szoke
Standings
Copechian 1362
East Bath 1358
Blue Ridge 1343
Ranger Lake 1341

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HAWKS

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"These are two totally different teams from a year ago, but I think it helped the rivalry grow from them beating us," said Karam. "They deserved it last year and they were the better team. Now we have to be ready for them this week because we know they're going to give us their best shot."

Freedom came home from the Clearfield Bison Duals by winning their group before falling to Montoursville

38-35 in the semifinals. They knocked off West Branch by the same 38-35 score to secure third place at the tournament.

"The Bison Duals allowed us to compete against teams we wouldn't otherwise see," said head coach Brandon Hall. "It also allowed some of our less experienced kids (JVs) to get an opportunity to compete. Our sophomores Luis Vargas, Connor Huber, Jared Jenkins and Max Marrero really wrestled well. Max gave up a lot of weight when he moved up to

220 but it really doesn't matter to him. They are all team players and will do whatever they can to help the team have success. Andy Evans and Ben Huber have been solid for us all year. Great to see Ben pick up his 100th win over the weekend."

The Pates have a full week of wrestling with bouts against East Stroudsburg South, Central Catholic and Liberty this week, as the two city rivals square off at 7 p.m. Thursday night at Freedom.

PATRIOTS SEEK PLAYERS

The Allentown Patriots Red Team is seeking players for a senior men's (62 and over) slow pitch softball old timer's team.

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CHEM

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 rected to the board by some of the students in support of the class who could not attend due to other commitments. Duffy also read her own prepared comments in an impassioned plea to allow her and her fellow classmates to have the chance to take the course as seniors in preparation for college. Duffy touted the importance of AP Chemistry by mentioning that it's not just a chemistry course but also covers elements of math, science and intensive writing.

At times the discussion became contentious. At one point, board member Shamim Pakzad spoke out of frustration, saying, "I've been a teacher for the better part of 25 years and I'm speaking as a teacher". He continued "I'm appalled the teachers are standing up here, basically making excuses at the

expense of the kids." Pakzad acknowledged the teachers may need to do some additional preparation and training and went onto say "let's just stop with the charade." He later apologized for his comments to those teachers who may have been offended, but re-affirmed his overall sentiment that he joined the board for the kids and their "interest sits at the top of my priorities list."

The board voted and approved the class to start this fall. Board member Mark Sivak was the only one to vote no.

At the conclusion, board President Michael Karabin noted that he didn't want to go against the teachers, but sometimes "we have to bite the bullet and take action."

Perhaps the evening was best summarized by board member Susan Baxter, who noted the district should be proud that students were taking an interest and asking for the class.

Santa visits local YWCA daycare



PRESS PHOTO BY KATYA HRICHAK

The Bethlehem YWCA Adult Day Services Center was merry and bright Dec. 22 when Santa came to deliver presents. After singing Christmas carols as a group, each person got the opportunity to sit with Santa and receive a gift. The center is an adult day care facility open five days a week from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Adults 60 and over diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease, dementia, mental disability, Parkinson's Disease or any other physical disability are welcome at the center. **Above:** John Alexios smiles with Santa.



Marjorie Davis talks with Santa.



Elizabeth Connelly with Santa.



Cecilia Olivera smiles with Santa.



Gloria Bobb receives a present from Santa.



Frederick Loomis with Santa, delighting onlookers with their matching red sweaters and hats.



Mary Gottlinger sits on Santa's lap before receiving her gift.

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PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN
Stephanie and Riley Corrigan work together to remove snow from the sidewalk in front of their home on Linwood Street in northeast Bethlehem after the Jan. 17 snowstorm. Mrs. Corrigan is an English teacher at Liberty HS and Riley is a student at nearby St. Anne School. The snow began to fall in the early morning and continued into the afternoon with flurries for a total of 3-4 inches in the Bethlehem area, according to official weather reports.



Jeff Bachman of the Bethlehem Area School District maintenance department operates a snowplow in the parking lot of Northeast MS. The Bethlehem native has worked 20 years for the BASD. Bachman said he started at 3 a.m. and was completing his third plowing of the large parking lot. The Bethlehem Area School District was closed for a second snow day of this winter season.



Debra Nastasee cleans off her car with a broom after the snowstorm abated in the afternoon. The Washington Avenue resident and Christmas City native said she had retired last year. Nastasee's hooded winter jacket and knitted gloves help keep her warm. The temperatures were in the 21-32 degree range.

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	37 / 24	32 / 20	35 / 28	44 / 34	50 / 40	46 / 36	41 / 31
	7-13 mph WNW	8-10 mph WNW	1-5 mph SW	5-8 mph S	6-9 mph S	5-10 mph WNW	9-14 mph NW

FORECAST FOR LEHIGH VALLEY PENNSYLVANIA

Today we will see partly cloudy skies, high of 37°, humidity of 52%. West northwest wind 7 to 13 mph. The record high for today is 66° set in 1967. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of 24°. West northwest wind 9 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 16°. The record low for tonight is -6° set in 1948. Thursday, skies will be sunny, high of 32°, humidity of 38%. West northwest wind 10 mph. Thursday night, skies will be clear, overnight low of 20°. Northwest wind 1 to 8 mph. Friday, skies will be mostly sunny, high of 35°, humidity of 40%. Southwest wind 1 to 5 mph. Friday night, skies will be mostly clear, overnight low of 28°. South southeast wind 5 mph. Saturday, skies will be partly cloudy, high of 44°, humidity of 65%.

Weather Trivia

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Bethlehem hosts Pa.'s first medical marijuana site

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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The very first medical marijuana site in Pennsylvania has officially opened, and it is in Bethlehem. Keystone Canna Remedies' new dispensary on Stefko Boulevard will soon offer an array of cannabis products to those suffering from various ailments from multiple sclerosis to PTSD.

It's also the first of four planned KCR dispensaries in the state, which should by mid-February begin to serve some of the 12,000 Pennsylvanians already registered for the program. Forms of the medicine allowed to be dispensed in Pennsylvania and to be dispensed from Keystone Canna Remedies include oils, topical agents, pills, vaporization, tinctures and liquids.

A brief tour and ribbon cutting were held last Wednesday morning at the spacious facility, directly across the street from Just Born Candies.

Among the many guests was Pa. Acting Secretary of Health Dr. Rachel Levine, who addressed the crowd with a hopeful tone.

"Today we are one step



Keystone Canna Remedies is now open on Stefko Boulevard and offers educational workshops to the community.

closer to getting medical marijuana to patients who desperately need it," she said. "Medical marijuana is an important tool in our medical toolbox for patients with serious medical conditions to find relief from their suffering. In just a few months patients will be able to come to a dispensary and safely purchase medical marijuana that has been tested and that will be safe and effective."

Levine said other promising uses of medical

marijuana include treating patients with cancer, chronic pain, Parkinson's Disease and even children with fevers that cannot be controlled by other treatments.

She said dispensaries will also provide counseling for prospective patients.

Levine also encouraged local physicians to register their services in the program to broaden the available treatments for their patients.

KCR Chief of Business

Development Victor Guadagnino said that while the facility is a dispensary, its other function is educating patients, local residents and even doctors on the many uses of medical marijuana and how it's helping people across the country.

"It's about dispelling the taboo," he said.

Guadagnino said the Pa. Department of Health has set the bar high for getting the program functional, and should serve as a model for other states.

"They're doing it right," he said. "When we set down this road, we had three goals in mind; becoming part of the community, providing effective medicine to patients and quantifying that patient experience. Our intention is to become part of the medical corridors here, and keep an open line of communication with the physicians, and educate the patients."

KCR will soon begin holding public workshops with that in mind - a total of 22 of them from Jan. 21-27. Registration is available through keystonecannaremedies.com.

"Education is what we thrive on," Guadagnino explained. "Education and consultation ... it's a team effort. We're proud to be here."



Acting Pa. Secretary of Health Dr. Rachel Levine has worked to bring various groups together to bring medical marijuana to the state, with Governor Tom Wolf's support. She said, "I encourage physicians to strongly consider registering to participate in the program. Physicians have a critical role in treatment and access."



KCR Chief of Business Development Victor Guadagnino is passionate about medical marijuana, saying he's seen the results when suffering people make the change from ineffective regimens to cannabis products. "It activates the patient, and we want to encourage that."



Some samples on display from what forms of medicine are allowed to be dispensed in Pennsylvania include oils, topical agents, pills, vaporization, tinctures and liquids.



Local resident and former Philadelphia Flyers player Riley Cote applauds the medical marijuana industry for offering those with chronic pain and injuries, such as athletes, with an alternative to "the dark side of opioids."



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Angel Pushed Ana

Mike and Ana Dascalescu, natives of Romania, miraculously escaped religious persecution under the Communist regime 30 years ago. Several years ago they shared with our church amazing testimonies of how God miraculously aided their escape.

Mike had gotten a job on a ship and was given a passport. He prayerfully planned their treacherous escape. Since only those with credentials could go through the gate, Mike cut a hole in the fence for Ana and her brother. Later as they headed for that hole while Mike was separately walking to the gate, he heard the audible voice of God say, "Take them with you." He went back and told them to follow him. When he showed his ID, the soldiers did not even see Ana and her brother. Mike sent them around the back of the ship and told them to get into a small boat and lay there as he went to the top of the ship to throw down a rope. Someone walked by with a dog, but they didn't see them. When Mike was ready to pull them up, Ana and her brother were arguing about who would jump into the water first. She was pregnant. He said she should jump first so he could help her if she had any trouble. It was November and cold. As she stood there refusing to jump, she felt a push and she fell into the cold water. Later, she asked her brother why he had pushed her. He declared he hadn't touched her and thought she had jumped on her own. She replied, "An angel in heaven is going to answer for that!"

She got the rope, and her husband tried several times to pull her up the 30 feet to the top, but dumped her back into the water. Finally, she was 15 feet up when they saw a search light coming in their direction. It was a patrol boat. The rope broke at that very moment, and she plunged back into the water. Mike waved his hand to the boat as if to say it was OK and finally got them safely hidden aboard.

I urge you to hear **Missionaries Mike and Ana Dascalescu**, on Sunday, January 28, in the 6:00 p.m. service.

Artistic inspiration

Allentown Symphony Orchestra explores roots of 'Scheherazade' and Paganini

CLASSICAL VIEWS

By Diane Wittry



I think that some of the best music ever written was often inspired by a picture, a story or a melody that someone else wrote.

That leads us to question: Where does artistic inspiration come from?

We often think of the artist, the composer, or the writer sitting in his or her little hovel, desperately trying to come up with some new creative idea that will set the world on fire.

In reality, though, many artists, writers, and musicians are often inspired by other creative people, and they build upon artwork, stories, or music of the past.

This is the case with the upcoming concert of the Allentown Symphony Orchestra, "Scheherazade and Paganini Rhapsody," 7:30 p.m. Feb. 10, and 3 p.m. Feb. 11, Miller Symphony Hall, Allentown.

I remember growing up and reading some of the stories in "One Thousand and One Nights" with the powerful ruler, the Sultan Shakhriar, and his beautiful wife, Scheherazade.

The original stories in "Nights" were drawn from ancient fantasy tales from Egypt, Persia, and India. French author, Antoine Galland, gathered together additional stories and published them together with the "Nights" in installments in 1704.

"Aladdin's Lamp" and "The Seven Voyages of Sinbad the Sailor" are some of the more famous stories added to the collection. The story consistent in editions of the "Nights" is that of the Sultan and Scheherazade. Many of the stories have been the basis for Disney movies, so they are familiar to all of us.

In 1888, Russian composer, Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov, inspired by stories drawn from "Scheherazade" and "1001 Nights," decided that he wanted to compose an orchestral piece based upon these ancient tales. That was his musical inspiration. He had to figure

out how to make the tales come alive in music.

Rimsky-Korsakov selected some of the characters and stories as the titles for different movements of his piece called "Scheherazade," stories like: "The Sea and Sinbad's Ship," "The Story of the Kalandar Prince," "The Young Prince and the Young Princess," and "The Festival at Baghdad," which includes "The Sea and the Shipwreck."

A unique characteristic of the composition is that before, and also toward the end of each movement, Rimsky-Korsakov features a violin solo melody accompanied by a harp, where the violinist becomes the Scheherazade character weaving a musical story for the audience to follow.

The solo violin part will be performed by the ASO Concertmaster, Eliezer Gutman.

The Allentown Symphony concerts open with a piece that had a similar inspiration, only this time it was a painting that provided the creative impulse for the composer.

Zhou Tian is a Chinese composer who writes very colorful orchestral pieces. His piece, "The Palace of Nine Perfections" (written in 2004), was inspired by a Chinese painting of the same name from 1691 by Yuan Jiang. The painting, composed of 12 panels, is in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City.

When Zhou first saw the painting he was "immediately moved by its honesty and unusual vividness." And he stated, "I wanted to create a musical reaction to Yuan's vision, hoping that we could hear as well as see 'The Palace of Nine Perfections.' In the Palace, I wanted to use the modern symphony orchestra to convey a sense of unfamiliar beauty and energy."

The Allentown Symphony performance of "The Palace of Nine Perfections" is the Lehigh Valley premiere. Zhou Tian will be there in person so that you can talk to him before and after the concert.



Joyce Yang, piano soloist, Allentown Symphony Orchestra, "Scheherazade and Paganini Rhapsody," 7:30 p.m. Feb. 10, and 3 p.m. Feb. 11, Miller Symphony Hall, Allentown.

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Another person who was inspired by a previous creator is Rachmaninoff with his famous "Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini."

Nicolò Paganini was a violinist who was well-known in 1805 for his theatrical performance of incredibly difficult music. People actually thought he might have sold his soul to the devil since he was so far beyond the competition.

In the early 1800s, Paganini wrote a set of 24 Caprices, or short pieces, for solo violin. The 24th Caprice became quite famous as it

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Ballet awakens: The State Ballet Theatre of Russia presents "Sleeping Beauty," 7:30 p.m. Jan. 25, State Theatre Center for the Arts, Easton. The State Theatre Ballet of Russia, founded by dancer and former Prima Ballerina of The Bolshoi Theatre Ballet, Maya Plisetskaya, is under the direction of dancer and Moiseyev Dance Company soloist Nikolay Anokhin. "Sleeping Beauty," with music by Pyotr Tchaikovsky, choreography by Marius Petipa and a production by Anatoly Emelianov that includes 55 ballet dancers from Russia, is based on the Brothers Grimm's version of the fairytale. "Full of enchantment" states a New York Times review. Tickets: State Theatre Center for the Arts box office, 453 Northampton St., Easton; statetheatre.org; 1-800-999-7828; 610-252-3132

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Circus art: The "Art Of Circus," a new production that features acrobatics and draws inspiration from iconic works of visual arts from the last 500 years, will be presented at 7 p.m. Jan. 26 at the State Theatre for the Arts, Easton. New York based Cirque-tacular Entertainment presents the circus arts through the lens of the visual arts and famous masters. Artists, world-famous paintings, and the time and place of a work's creation serve as the context and inspiration for acrobatic, theatrical dance, and circus acts. Digital projections, large-scale panels, and translucent stained "glass" are utilized throughout, with exquisite costuming and novel circus props. Tickets: State Theatre Center for the Arts box office, 453 Northampton St., Easton; statetheatre.org; 1-800-999-7828; 610-252-3132

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Fans on stage: The new series, "Stage on Stage," where bands and fans share the stage, kicks off at 8 p.m. Jan. 27 with "A Night of Southern Rock," featuring The Tronzone Band, above, and Acoustic Kitty Project. The main stage will be transformed into a "club" atmosphere with bands and audience on the main stage. Doors open at 7 p.m. The Tronzone Band, founded by brothers Andrew and Johnny, includes their father John Sr., and Ben White and Todd Herrington. Acoustic Kitty Project is led by Lehigh Valley singer-songwriter Carter Lansing, and includes Bill Matlack Jr., Mike Carr, Dan DeChellis and Marty Chamberlain. Tickets: State Theatre Center for the Arts box office, 453 Northampton St., Easton; statetheatre.org; 1-800-999-7828; 610-252-3132

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Joan Hess, Kirby Ward, Allentown Symphony Pops, "Dancing and Romancing," 7:30 p.m. Jan. 27, Miller Symphony Hall, Allentown.

Puttin' on the dance

ASO Pops concert brings Ritz to stage

BY ERIN FERGUSON
 Special to The Press

"Dancing and Romancing," a celebration of many timeless classics from the Golden Age of Hollywood and Broadway, will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 27, Miller Symphony Hall, Allentown.

The Allentown Symphony Pops Orchestra, conducted by ASO Associate Conductor Ronald Demkee, will perform a romantic and entertaining evening of song and dance with two veterans of the Broadway stage, Joan Hess and Kirby Ward, performing routines inspired by Fred Astaire, Gene Kelly, Ginger

Rogers and Eleanor Powell, including "Puttin' On The Ritz," "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes," and "Cheek to Cheek."

"It's a tribute to all the great American song and dance legends of the stage combined with some of the best romantic songs from the 'American Songbook,'" says Kirby Ward in a phone interview.

Ward has directed and choreographed productions in New York and London and performed in more than 60 shows. As an actor, his Broadway credits include the 1994 revival of "Showboat." In

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'Sleeping Beauty' awakens Russian ballet tradition

BY CAMILLE CAPRIGLI-ONE
Special to The Press

The State Ballet Theatre of Russia presents "Sleeping Beauty," a beautiful ballet adapted from the 1800s' French fairy tale, which includes an exquisite score by Pyotr Tchaikovsky and choreography by the famed Marius Petipa.

"Sleeping Beauty" is presented at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 25, State Theatre Center for the Arts, Easton.

The State Ballet Theatre of Russia was founded in 1961 by legendary dancer and prima ballerina of the Bolshoi Theater Ballet, Maya Plisetskaya, and is now under the direction of Moiseyev dance soloist Nikolay Anokhin. Plisetskaya (1925-2015) was one of the greatest ballerinas of the 20th century and a true embodiment of the Bolshoi Theater.

The State Ballet is renowned for bringing works of classical Russian composers to audiences around the

world. Produced by Artistic Director, Anatoly Emelianov, this full-scale ballet is based on the Brothers Grimm version of Charles Perrault's "Little Briar Rose."

"Sleeping Beauty," in two acts with prologue, presents the love story of Princess Aurora, who is cursed on her Christening Day by the evil fairy, Carabosse, and succumbs to a 100-year sleeping spell upon her 16th birthday.

Brave Prince Désiré storms the dangerous castle and revives Aurora with a kiss. The newly-awakened court rejoices, a royal wedding ensues and Aurora and Désiré perform a grand Pas de Deux while the ensemble dances.

Principal dancers include Daria Demchenko (Princess Aurora), Valeriy Tselichshev (Prince Desire), Alexey Burakov (King Floristan), Diana Smirnova (The Queen) and Natalia Gubanova (Wicked Fairy, Carabosse).

The original adaptation incorporated Perrault's other fairy tale char-



"Sleeping Beauty," 7:30 p.m. Jan. 25, State Theatre Center for the Arts, Easton.

acters, such as Puss in Boots, Little Red Riding Hood, Blue Bird, Grey Wolf and The White Cat, all of which will be portrayed by superb dancers in the State Ballet production.

"Sleeping Beauty" premiered in January 1890 at the Imperial Mariinsky Theatre, St. Petersburg, Russia. Tchaikovsky's ballet

received more favorable accolades than his previous, "Swan Lake," and was performed by the Imperial Ballet 200 times in 10 years.

In a phone interview with Igor Levin, president of Hollywood Stars International Management, which is handling the company's tour, says the State Ballet Theatre of Russia has been per-

forming "Sleeping Beauty" for six years.

"This is the old, traditional style of [ballet] performance," says Levin, a native of Moscow. "The choreography is from 1890 by Marius Petipa, and the costumes are of the 19th century."

The enchanting performance is abundant with classically-trained dancers, lavish sets and

beautiful costumes.

The story focuses on good versus evil and love conquering all. Remaining true to the original creators is imperative for the State Ballet company. There is no altering of the classic style and presentation.

"For us, we try to keep all [Tchaikovsky's] choreography traditional," says Levin.

The United States and Canadian tour began in early December and runs through February, culminating in Princeton, N.J.

Levin thinks that audiences still adore "Sleeping Beauty":

"First, there is the unbelievable music of Tchaikovsky. Second, there is very good choreography. Lastly, the love story ... she came to life.

"It shows how all people would like to be, successful and in love: a dream," says Levin.

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London's West End, Ward received an Olivier Award nomination for "Crazy For You."

Ward worked with James Caan and Bette Midler on choreography for the 1991 film, "For The Boys." He's appeared in concert at the Hollywood Bowl and with symphonies in Hollywood, Hong Kong, Buffalo, Virginia, New Mexico, Atlanta, Maryland, Winnipeg, Houston and Naples.

"My singing and dancing has taken me all over the world from London and Germany to Australia, Moscow and Hong Kong. I've met and entertained the Queen of England, two first ladies and untold thousands of wonderful people on six continents. It makes me realize we're really not very different the world over and music and dance unite," Ward says.

Joan Hess made her Broadway debut in 1992 in the Tony Award-winning "Crazy For You." Her Broadway credits include "Mamma Mia!,"

"Dirty Rotten Scoundrels" and "Kiss Me, Kate." On television, Hess was in "Flight of the Concorde" on HBO and "My Favorite Broadway: The Love Songs" on PBS.

"It's a remarkable thing getting to sing, dance and perform with a large symphony orchestra. Broadway is an actor's biggest venue, but performing with an orchestra is an entirely different experience. When you have such brilliant, iconic, glorious 'American Songbook' songs and you have that many musicians, you can't help wanting to sing and dance. It makes my job easy," Hess says.

"We are constantly expressing gratitude in being able to do this. It's such a treat for any performer and performing for audiences who appreciate these types of symphonies is really special and super fun," says Hess.

Hess and Ward have appeared together in other productions.

"We really trust each other," Hess says. "He has so much experience and is such a terrific dancer. It's a pleasure

to perform with him. We have known each other for such a long time and have been in shows together before. He even directed me, and it really is a great match in terms of our experience and taste."

"It's truly been wonderful to share the stage with Joan," Ward says. "Before each performance we both stand offstage and marvel at how lucky we are to get to do what we do. We try and bring that feeling onstage with us, making each performance a celebration."

"It's a glamorous night of gowns and tuxes and it's a wide range show in that we both sing and dance from ballroom to tap to swing. It's jazzy, upbeat, humorous, fun and it brings the audience along a very unique and diverse program," says Hess.

Tickets: Miller Symphony Hall box office, 23 N. Sixth St., Allentown; allentownsymphony.org; 610-432-6715. Tickets are free for students 21 and under, funded by a grant from The Century Fund.

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was a set of variations on a simple melody that became increasingly more difficult to play with each variation.

Rachmaninoff liked the melody that Paganini used and in 1934 decided to create his own set of variations for piano and orchestra. He was not the first to do this. Schumann, Liszt, and Brahms had been inspired by the same opening music and composed pieces based upon this melody.

Taking his cue from the Paganini legend, Rachmaninoff also included in his composition another well-known melody, the "Dies Irae" ("Day of Wrath") from the "Requiem Mass for the Dead," which becomes an important melody along with the Paganini theme.

The "Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini" is a brilliant showpiece for a virtuoso pianist and we are indeed featuring a virtuoso pianist for the concert. Joyce Yang was a silver medalist in the renowned Van Cliburn Piano Competition and she has performed with the New York Philharmonic, Philadelphia Orchestra, Chicago Symphony, Los Angeles Philharmonic, Baltimore, Detroit, Houston,



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Allentown Symphony Orchestra, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 10 and 3 p.m. Feb. 11, Miller Symphony Hall, Allentown, concerts include "The Palace of Nine Perfections," by composer Yuan Jiang, inspired by, above, a Chinese painting of the same name from 1691.

Milwaukee, Pittsburgh, San Francisco, and New Jersey, symphony orchestras, among others.

I know that you will enjoy her performance of the "Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini" with the Allentown Symphony Orchestra.

Each piece on the upcoming ASO concert program is a masterpiece, but drawn from and inspired by, other artistic masterpieces. I am always fascinated how the creative spirit transcends time and influences generation after generation in new and exciting ways. Come experience a part of history and hear

artistic inspiration brought to life by the Allentown Symphony Orchestra.

Meet the Artist, noon Feb. 9: Join us on stage as Allentown Symphony Orchestra Music Director-Conductor Diane Wittry leads a talk about the music for "Scheherazade & Paganini Rhapsody." Piano soloist Joyce Yang and conducting fellow Kalena Bovell will join the discussion. You will have the opportunity to ask questions. Feel free to bring a bagged lunch to enjoy during the talk.

Diane Wittry is Music Director and Conductor of the Allentown Symphony Orchestra, Artistic Director of the Ridgewood Symphony, N.J., and author, "Beyond the Baton" and "Baton Basics" (both, Oxford University Press).

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10:30 a.m. Worship
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10:30 a.m. Worship
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9:15 Sunday School
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52 E. Susquehanna St. Allentown
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Rev. Gerald Smith
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Worship 10 a.m.
(Children's time with puppets)
Handicap Accessible

ST. PAUL'S UCC OF INDIANLAND
767 Almond Road
Walnutport (Cherryville)
610-767-5751
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9 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Traditional Worship
8 a.m. Contemporary Worship,
2nd & 4th Sunday
Nursery Avail. Handicapped Accessible

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19th St. & Lincoln Ave.
Northampton 610-261-2910
Rev. Todd Fennell
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10:15 a.m. Worship
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Sally Jane Payson, Child Care Teacher
Sanctuary, Handicapped Accessible

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New Tripoli, PA
610-298-8064
Worship 9:30 a.m.
Handicapped Accessible
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615 Third Street
Catasauqua, PA 18032
610-264-4091
Rev. Mike Smith, Pastor
9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Sunday Worship
8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School
Handicapped Accessible
Nursery Available

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST GREENAWALDS
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610-435-1763
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9:00 a.m. Christian Formation
10:30 a.m. Worship
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610-767-6961
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9:15 a.m. Education Hour (Sept.-May)
10:30 a.m. Horizon Worship

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship, 11:05 a.m.
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Sun. Blended Worship 8 a.m.
Sun. Contemporary 9:15 & 11 a.m.
Wescosville Campus
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Wed. Contemporary 6:30 p.m.
Catasauqua Campus
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Sun. Contemporary 9:30 a.m.

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Parkland Garden Club hosts Master Gardeners



PRESS PHOTOS COURTESY OF PARKLAND GARDEN CLUB
Left: Louise Melcher and Kathy Halpert, Master Gardeners, presented a program, "Creating Fairy Gardens," at a recent meeting of the Parkland Garden Club.

Above: Parkland Garden Club members on the hospitality committee for the membership tea included Bonnie Keller, Nancy Schrader, Debbie Pinto and Debbie Barhight.

Valley house sales up 4 percent in 2017

BY PAUL WILLISTEIN
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December house sales in the Lehigh Valley concluded on a down note as 2017 see-sawed from month-to-month ups and downs.

In 2017 in the Valley, there were five months of increased sales (November, August, July, May, March) and seven months of decreased sales (December, October, September, June, April, February, January).

Closed sales for December 2017 were down 3.6 percent to 612 houses sold, compared to 635 houses sold in December 2016, according to the December report of the Greater Lehigh Valley Realtors (GLVR).

In 2017, closed sales were up 4 percent, to 8,346 from 8,027 in 2016.

Pending sales for December 2017 were up 7.5 percent to 461, compared to 429 in December 2016, which matches the pending sales increase for 2017 of 7.5 percent to 8,573, compared to 7,974 in 2016.

The tight housing market in the Valley continued, with new listings down in December 2017, by 10.2 percent to 448, compared to 499 in December 2016. For 2017, new listings were virtually flat, down 0.5 percent to 11,562, compared to 11,623 in 2016.

Days on Market dropped significantly in December 2017, by 24.6 percent to 52 days, compared to 69 days in December 2016. Days on Market for 2017 also decreased by double digits, down by 22.6 percent to 48 days, compared to 62 days in 2016.

Inventory was also reduced in December 2017, down 28.4 percent to 1,606, compared to 2,244 in December 2016. Figures for inventory for 2017 were unavailable from the GLVR, as of the Press Focus section deadline.

Months Supply also dipped in December 2017, down 35.3 percent to 2.2 months, compared to 3.4 months in December 2016. Figures for Months Supply for 2017 were unavailable from the GLVR, as of the Press Focus section deadline.

The Average Sales Price showed a healthy

increase in December 2017, up 8.2 percent to \$219,499, compared to \$202,879 in December 2016. The Average Sales Price for 2017 jumped 5 percent to \$215,271, compared to \$204,985 for 2016.

The Median Sales Price was also up in December 2017, by 3.2 percent to \$182,750, compared to \$177,000 in December 2016. The Median Sales Price for 2017 increased 4.5 percent to \$185,000, compared to \$177,000 in 2016.

The Percentage of List Price Received was up slightly in December 2017, by 0.3 percent to 97.5 percent, compared to 97.2 percent in December 2016. The Percentage of List Price Received for 2017 also inched up by 0.5 percent to 97.7 percent, compared to 97.2 percent in 2016.

The Housing Affordability Index was flat in December 2017, at 0.0 percent. For 2017, the Housing Affordability Index was down 1.1 percent, compared to 2016.

Market analysis
According to the GLVR, the seasonal slowdown in December didn't stop climbing prices and fast-moving houses.

"The number of homes for sale, days on market and months of supply were all down in year-over-year comparisons in a majority of the country for the entirety of 2017, as was housing affordability," said GLVR CEO Justin Poremba.

The GLVR reported stated: "Although total sales volumes were mixed, prices were consistently up in most markets."

"Buyers may not benefit from higher prices, but sellers do, and there should be more listing activity by more confident sellers in 2018," Poremba said.

"Unemployment rates remained low throughout 2017, and wages showed improvement, though not always to levels that match home price increases," said Cass Chies, 2017 President of GLVR.

"Yet housing demand remained incredibly strong in 2017, even in the face of higher mortgage rates that are likely to increase further in 2018," Chies said.

The GLVR report noted that despite higher home prices, sellers in December received, on average, 97.5 percent of their asking price. According to Poremba, this shows that the active buyers in the Lehigh Valley are serious and qualified.

Chies added, "Home building and selling professionals are both cautiously optimistic for the year ahead. Housing and economic indicators give reason for this optimism, with or without new federal tax legislation."

"We're hopeful for an economic landscape in 2018 that will point toward improved conditions for both buyers and sellers," said Chies.

2017 sales
Closed sales decreased 3.6 percent in December to 612 houses sold, compared to 635 houses sold in December 2016.

Closed sales increased 7.7 percent in November to 661 houses sold, compared to 614 houses sold in November 2016.

Closed sales decreased 5.8 percent in October to 672 houses sold, compared to 713 houses sold in October 2016.

Closed sales decreased 3.5 percent in September to 697 houses sold, compared to 722 houses sold in September 2016.

Closed sales increased 2 percent in August to 813 houses sold, compared to 797 houses sold in August 2016.

Closed sales increased 2.7 percent in July to 756 houses sold, compared to 736 houses in July 2016.

Closed sales decreased 2.4 percent in June to 893 houses sold, compared to 915 in June 2016.

Closed sales increased 14 percent in May to 800 houses sold, compared to 702 in May 2016.

Closed sales decreased 4.3 percent in April to 626 houses sold, compared to 654 in April 2016.

Closed sales increased 13.7 percent in March to 616 houses sold, compared to 542 in March 2016.

Closed sales decreased 4.4 percent in February to 433 houses sold, compared to 453 in February 2016.

Closed sales decreased 10.8 percent in January to 412 houses sold, compared to 462 in January 2016.

'Post' time, then and now

"The Post" tells the fact-based story of the 1971 publishing of the Pentagon Papers from an insider's perspective of Washington Post publisher Katharine Graham (played to note-perfection by Meryl Streep, three-time Oscar recipient, actress, "The Iron Lady," 2011; "Sophie's Choice," 1983; "Kramer Vs. Kramer," 1980) and Post editor Ben Bradle (an astounding Tom Hanks, two-time Oscar recipient, actor, "Forrest Gump," 1995; "Philadelphia," 1994).

MOVIE REVIEW

By Paul Willistein
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There was a lot riding on the decision to publish the Pentagon Papers, a voluminous top-secret CIA report about the handling of the Vietnam War by the Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy and Johnson administrations, and which were leaked by former RAND military analyst Daniel Ellsberg (an excellent Matthew Rhys).

"The Post" director Steven Spielberg (Oscar, director, "Saving Private Ryan," 1999; Oscar, picture, "Schindler's List," 1994; Irving Thalberg Oscar, 1987) conveys the drama, intra-company disputes and bonhomie of reporters, editors and, yes, copy boys, who rolled up their sleeves and got the job done.

The screenplay, co-written by Liz Hannah (feature-film screenplay debut) and Josh Singer (Oscar recipient, original screenplay, "Spotlight," 2016; screenwriter, "The Fifth Estate," 2013; writer, TV's "The West Wing," 2003-2006), captures the tension, not without dollops of newsroom humor, of the challenging assignment.

Production design by Rick Carter (Oscar, production design, "Lincoln," 2013; Oscar, art direction, "Avatar," 2010) captures the manual typewriter-clacking, cigarette and cigar-smoking, vacuum tube (whisking edited copy to the typesetters) newsroom, lintotype-setting machines, newspapers

rolling in serpentine rivers off the mighty presses, and delivery trucks zooming off to plunk their precious newspaper bundles on the streets.

The costume design by the Lehigh Valley's Ann Roth (Oscar, costume design, "The English Patient," 1997) replicates the nerdy glasses, shirts, ties and pants of the males and the efficient dresses and pants suits of the few women on staff.

"The Post" recounts an important lesson about the First Amendment then as now, reminding us why those annoying journalists and media types ply their trade on international, federal, state and local news beats.

If you're not familiar with this episode in American history and journalism, "The Post" an The American Film Institute 2017 Top 10 "Movie of the Year" and the National Board of Review "Best Film of 2017," is a must see. If you are reading this movie review in your newspaper or on a screen, "The Post" is a reminder of the crucial role of journalists and the media.

"The Post," MPAA rated PG-13 (Parents Strongly Cautioned). Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13. Parents are urged to be cautious. Some material may be inappropriate for pre-teenagers.) for language and brief war violence; Genre: Biography, Drama, History; Run time: 1 hr., 56 min.; Distributed by Twentieth Century Fox.

Credit Readers Anonymous: "The Post" was filmed in White Plains and New Rochelle, N.Y., and at Columbia University, New York City.

Box Office, Jan. 19: Freedom High School graduate Dwayne Johnson made it as three-

peat at No. 1, three weeks in a row after two weeks at No. 2, with \$20 million, \$316.9 million, five weeks, keeping Chris Hemsworth's Afghanistan fact-based war drama, "12 Strong," debuting at No. 2, with \$16.5 million, one week, and the crime film, "Den Of Thieves" opening at No. 3, with \$15.3 million.

4. "The Post" dropped one slot, with \$12.1 million, \$45.1 million, five weeks. 5. "The Greatest Showman" continued at No. 5, with \$11 million, \$113.4 million, five weeks. 6. "Paddington 2" climbed up one spot, \$8.2 million, \$25 million, two weeks. 7. "The Commuter" dropped four tracks, with \$6.6 million, \$25.7 million, two weeks. 8. "Star Wars: Episode VIII - The Last Jedi" zoomed down two slots, \$6.5 million, \$604.2 million, six weeks. 9. "Insidious: The Last Key" notched down five places, \$5.9 million, \$58.7 million, three weeks. 10. "Forever My Girl," \$4.7 million, opening.

Unreel, Jan. 26:
"Maze Runner: The Death Cure." PG-13: Wes Ball directs Rosa Salazar, Thomas Brodie-Sangster, Dylan O'Brien, and Kaya Scodelario in the Science-Fiction-Thriller. Thomas is on a mission to find a cure for the deadly disease, the "Flare."

"Hostiles," R: Scott Cooper directs Scott Shepherd, Rosamund Pike, Ava Cooper, and Stella Cooper in the Western. In the late 1800s, an Army captain escorts a Cheyenne chief and his family.

This review is dedicated to the late John Strohmeier, a Pulitzer Prize-winner of whom it was said to budding young journalists when he was editor of the Bethlehem Globe-Times: "You aren't worthy enough to carry his typewriter."



'Art of Circus' spans hundreds of years

BY LUKE MUENCH
Special to The Press

At his core, lead producer and creator Tad Empage has a deep passion and appreciation for the arts.

"I've always been interested in the arts," Empage explains in a phone interview. "I was a painter when I first arrived in New York City, started getting involved in theater. Art has always been with me, even before performing arts became my career. I wanted to honor the visual arts in which we find in life."

Empage conceptualized "Art of Circus," which will be presented at 8 p.m. 26, State Theatre Center for the Arts, Easton.

This performance is a collaboration of paintings, theater, dance, acrobatics, and more, trying to display as many forms of art as possible. The first of these that Empage chose to focus on was music, namely that of Jesse Edler.

"Our paths had crossed on other projects, and when I found out he had a history in visual arts, I knew he was the perfect person to approach about the show."

"We found the time to chat, and a light went off, and we both got to work furiously. We put together the show in a matter of months. He did the score, and then I went into the choreography of the

scenes for the show."

Edler is best-known for his tours with the band, Post Modern Jukebox, and his performances of jazz music around the world, including at Radio City Music Hall, New York City.

Much of Edler's work, for "Art of Circus," is meant to reflect the various paintings on display.

"I would describe his work as a combo of jazz and classical, but he [Edler] brings in the instrumentation and feel of the time periods. They're modern takes with nods to the era the paintings were birthed in. It'll have nods to the music innovations of that time told in a contemporary way, beautiful pieces that are for the ages," says Empage.

While the music creates the ambiance, the various artists Empage chose act as the set pieces to inform what the actors are doing on stage.

"It's a collection of vignettes. In the show as a whole, 30 artists from the last 500 years are attributed, each rendered in a different way. We either explore the art they are most known for, the time period, or we bring the actual painting to life."

Empage hopes to present some of the best and brightest through well-known and impressive works.

"Most people will recognize many of these,

like Picasso or Van Gogh. They inspired us personally, while also being recognized by the public."

Empage hopes that audiences learn about new, interesting and impressive works in the process, as he expects there will be something on display for everyone, even children.

"People think shows for families are only for kids. This is a show for all ages. This is a beautiful entry into the visual arts for younger audiences, and it's an adult show. I think that, far too often, people pander down to kids, but they don't need to. Kids can rise up to what is also relevant to adults."

"Art of Circus" strives to put as many forms of creativity on display to show what beautiful things can be made when they work in tandem.

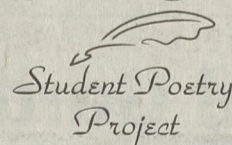
"Art is timeless, and all arts relate to one another as they relate to life. It may be 500 years old, but it has the essence of being about people and community."

"That's what matters. We take music, dance, circus, visual arts, and bring them together and make it present, as universal ideas."

Tickets: State Theatre Center for the Arts box office, 453 Northampton St., Easton; statetheatre.org; 1-800-999-7828; 610-252-3132

Student Poetry Project now accepting entries

Submissions are now being accepted for the 13th annual award-winning Lehigh Valley Press Student Poetry Project.



In celebration of National Poetry Month in April, poems will be selected in each of the Elementary School, Middle School and High School categories and published in the April 25 and April 26 Focus section in the eight Lehigh Valley Press newspapers and web sites.

The student in each of the three categories whose poem is selected for publication on the front page of the Focus section may have his or her photo published, with the permission of the student's parent or guardian.

Three writers of the first-place poems will be invited to read their poems and be interviewed on "Lehigh Valley Arts Salon," 6:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. April 16, WDIY, Lehigh Valley Community Radio, 88.1 FM, wdiy.org.

The entry guidelines:
1. The Student Poetry Project is open to Lehigh Valley elementary school, middle school and high school public, parochial, private, charter, cyber and home-school stu-

dents in the circulation areas of the Lehigh Valley Press newspapers: Salisbury Press, East Penn Press, Parkland Press, Northwestern Press, Whitehall-Coplay Press, Catasauqua Press, Northampton Press and Bethlehem Press.

2. Poems are to be submitted in PDF form and should not exceed one page in length using a font no smaller than 10 point. No illustrations will be accepted.

3. On the same page as the poem, include student name, age, grade, school, district, telephone number and email of parent or guardian for contact information only. The phone number and email will not be published or shared.

4. Each student may submit up to three poems, which must be his or her original composition. Each poem should be a separate entry. Individual poems should be at least 10 lines in length. However, students may sub-

mit up to three shorter poems on a single theme with a title, on a single page. Single poems shorter than 10 lines will not be accepted.

5. E-mail poems and/or questions to George Vandoren, Student Poetry Project coordinator, georgevan@me.com

6. Hand-written or printed versions of poems may be mailed to or dropped off to: Student Poetry Project, care of Lehigh Valley Press, 1633 N. 26th St., Allentown, Pa. 18104. Teachers may submit multiple class poems in a single envelope as long as they are on separate pages and contain the required student information.

7. Entries must be received (by U.S. Mail or email) by 5 p.m. March 16.

8. Permission of a parent or guardian is required for a student's photo to be taken and published in the Focus section in the Lehigh Valley Press newspapers and web sites.

9. Copies of poems will not be returned.

10. For ideas on teaching poetry, go to: facebook.com/PoetryProjectContest/

Niece's meds a concern

Q. My 17-year-old niece has been living with depression for many years. She recently shared with me that she has been seeing a therapist, taking medication and is considering increasing the meds she takes because she likes them. When I was with her, her parents seemed to be "hovering," so we couldn't really talk. I am concerned that she is not getting all the information she needs about her medicine (she didn't know dosage, etc.). I gave her my cell number and told her to text anytime, but I feel like I didn't do enough. What else can I offer her?

The first question raised concerned whom the uncle should talk to first: the niece or her parents?

Panelist Chad Stefanyak said he would talk to the niece because she absolutely needs to know about the medication she's taking. "At this point, it will be more and more her responsibility."

Panelist Mike Daniels agreed that at age 17, the girl is old enough to take responsibility to know what medication she is taking, how often and what effect this may have on her body.

The concern, panelist Pam Wallace continued, should be what else she might start taking, or that she might be mixing her meds with alcohol.

"Even food can inter-

THE FAMILY PROJECT

By Carole Gorney



act with drugs," panelist Denise Continenza added.

All agreed that if the niece thinks she wants or needs a higher dosage, she should go to her doctor to ask for an increase.

Panelist Wanda Mercado-Arroyo asked if there was some way to reach out to the mother: "Someone else in the family should be concerned, as well."

"My impression from the comment about 'hovering' is that the parents have been managing her care, and not giving the girl much responsibility," Continenza said. "The uncle could get together with the parents and encourage them to start treating their daughter like an adult. When she is 18, they won't be able to talk to the doctor about her treatment."

The panelists expressed concern that the parents might be downplaying their daughter's condition or trying to keep it under wraps because they worry about the stigma often associated with mental illness.

Daniels asked if the parents might actually be enabling the daughter, and concluded that he still favors going directly to talk to the niece, explaining, however, that "talking to the parents and to the girl do not have to be mutually exclusive. You don't

have to exclude the parents from the conversation with the child or vice-versa."

Mercado-Arroyo suggested encouraging the girl to go to talk with a school counselor.

What else can the uncle offer his niece?

"He can be a concerned adult, expressing interest and concern about his niece's treatment," Daniels responded. "He can also offer her his availability, while continuing to be a caring uncle."

Continenza added that the uncle shouldn't be disappointed if the girl doesn't respond right away.

"What's important is that the uncle is reaching out and opening up a line of communication so the niece knows she can talk to him," Wallace concluded.

This week's team of parenting experts are: Pam Wallace, Program Coordinator, Project Child, a program of Valley Youth House; Chad Stefanyak, School Counselor; Wanda Mercado-Arroyo, Educator and Former School Administrator; Denise Continenza, Extension Educator, Food, Families and Health, Penn State Extension, and Mike Daniels, LCSW, Psychotherapist, CTS.

Have a question? Email: projectchild@projectchildlv.org

The Family Project weekly column is a collaboration of the Lehigh Valley Press Focus section and Valley Youth House's Project Child.

Hearing-loss symptoms

First of two parts
Q. I think I need a hearing aid. Any recommendations?

I've received this question from more than a few readers. It's a subject of great interest to seniors.

About one in three Americans over age 60 suffers from loss of hearing, which can range from the inability to hear certain voices to deafness. However, only about one out of five who would benefit from a hearing aid uses one.

It's important to explain that a hearing aid will not restore normal hearing. With practice, however, a hearing aid will increase your awareness of sounds and what made them.

If you think you have a hearing problem, get checked by a primary-care physician. If your hearing is diminished, the doctor will probably refer you to an otolaryngologist or audiologist.

An otolaryngologist is a physician who specializes in treating the ear, nose, and throat. An audiologist is a health professional who conducts hearing tests to define your loss. Many otolaryngologists have audiologist associates in their offices.

Presbycusis, one

HEALTHY GEEZER

By Fred Cicetti



form of hearing loss, occurs with age. Presbycusis can be caused by changes in the inner ear, auditory nerve, middle ear, or outer ear.

Some of its causes are aging, loud noise, heredity, head injury, infection, illness, certain prescription drugs, and circulation problems such as high blood pressure. It seems to be inherited.

Tinnitus, also common in older persons, is the ringing, hissing, or roaring sound in the ears frequently caused by exposure to loud noise or certain medicines. Tinnitus is a symptom that can come with any type of hearing loss.

Hearing loss can be caused by "ototoxic" medicines that damage the inner ear. Some antibiotics are ototoxic. Aspirin can cause temporary problems. If you're having a hearing problem, ask your doctor about medications you're taking.

Hearing aids have a microphone, amplifier, and speaker. Sound is

received by the microphone, which converts the sound waves to electrical signals and sends them to an amplifier. The amplifier boosts the signals and then sends them to the ear through a speaker.

Hearing aids are primarily useful to those with sensorineural hearing loss from damage to the small sensory cells in the inner ear known as hair cells. The damage can be caused by disease, aging, or injury from noise or drugs.

A hearing aid magnifies sound vibrations. Surviving hair cells detect the larger vibrations and convert them into signals that are sent to the brain.

There are limits to the amplification that a hearing aid can provide. In addition, if the inner ear is too damaged, even large vibrations will not be converted into signals to the brain.

Next week: Purchasing a hearing aid.

Have a question? Email: fred@healthygeezer.com

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Taking the stage at State Theatre

BY DAWN OUELLETTE
Special to The Press

The State Theatre Center for the Arts' 90th anniversary gala last year inspired State Theatre President and CEO Shelley Brown to try something new at the historic Easton venue.

"The backstage bar turned out to be the place to be that night," says Brown. "We wanted to recreate that funky and cool atmosphere where the bands and fans shared the stage and that's where the 'Stage on Stage' concept comes from."

The first in a possible series of "Stage on Stage" performances takes place at 8 p.m. Jan.

27 and will feature up and coming Southern rockers, The Trongone Band, and Lehigh Valley local band, The Acoustic Kitty Project. The audience will join them onstage for a stand-up club atmosphere.

"Hopefully, we can build on this," says Brown, "and make it a series. It is an absolute experiment. We would like to continue to use the space in new and creative ways. We are making an effort to say, 'OK, we are trying new stuff. Let's be positive. It's a night out. Tell us what you think. Come on out and do something new.'"

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ANNIVERSARY

De Biase
Couple celebrates
60th anniversary

Terry and Tony De Biase of Upper Macungie Township will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary Jan. 28 at Holy Mass at St. Joseph the Worker Church, Orefield, North Whitehall Township, with their family in attendance.

The couple was married Jan. 25, 1958.

They moved to the Lehigh Valley from Staten Island, N.Y., on March 17, 1973.

They raised two daughters and have four grandchildren and three great-grandsons.

Tony worked for Mack Trucks and Terry worked for Air Products & Chemicals Inc.



Terry and Tony De Biase ... then

ENGAGEMENT

Cataline-Shive
Couple to wed
on Feb. 24

Eunice Cataline, of Maryville, Tenn., and Raymond Shive, of Macungie, announce their New Year's Eve engagement.

Ray and Eunice first knew each other 40 years ago when her family was a member of the Spruce Head Community Church, Spruce Head, Me.

Ray was pastor of the church at that time. Eunice remained very close to the Shive family in the following years.

The bride-elect is recently retired from Concern, an employee assistance program of Blount Memorial Hospital, Maryville.

Her fiancé retired from the Christian ministry, most recently as executive director of TEAMS for Medical Missions, Allentown.

The wedding and reception will take place Feb. 24 at the bride's home church, River Oaks Community Church, Maryville.

A second reception will be held at a later date at Bible Baptist Church, Breinigsville.

Following the honeymoon, the couple will reside in Maryville.

The right gift for your Valentine

Dear Jacquelyn,
How do you determine what type of Valentine's Day gift to buy for your significant other? Does the gift depend on the length of the relationship? I'd appreciate your thoughts for some Valentine's Day gift ideas. I struggle each year to get the sentiment right.

Dear Reader,
Valentine's Day means different things to different people.

What you plan depends on how long you've been together and how serious the relationship is.

Valentine's Day can be confusing when you aren't sure what the rules are. There are lots of questions that relate to Valentine's Day, but there are a few general pointers for different relationship stages.

The price of the gift will depend on how well you know each other and how long you've been

RESPECTFULLY
YOURS
By Jacquelyn Youst



together. Keep in mind that the most important aspect of gift-giving is that it comes from your heart.

For a new relationship, you need to strike a balance between making a good impression and sending them running in the other direction. If you've only gone out on a handful of dates, don't go crazy.

An over-the-top gift can either work for you or against you. You want to give something meaningful but if you're still in the "getting to know you" phase, you definitely don't want to go overboard. Go for something like a book, CD, or a gift certificate to a spa.

Long-term relationships require more thought. Use this oppor-

tunity to rekindle the romance. Don't wing it, and be sure to have some sort of plan.

Be creative. Try creating a restaurant meal at home with candles and champagne.

Write a love letter from the heart. It might be cheesy, sure, but pulling out all the stops will impress her with your thoughtfulness.

Use this romantic holiday to reconnect if you have become a little lazy in the romance department.

For those who have been married a long time, it's unlikely that a romantic Valentine's Day is something that you have on your agenda. However, it's worth investing time and putting some thought into it. Resorting to gas-station carnations is not the best plan.

If you're lucky enough, make time to be alone and invest in a change of environment. Plan a trip away to somewhere you used to

STATE

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Johnny Trongone, along with his brother, Andrew Trongone, heads up the "Stage on Stage" featured band. Trongone is excited to bring his band's brand of Southern Rock to Easton.

"The 'Stage on Stage' concept sounds super cool," says Trongone. "We've never done anything like this before. It's a different way to get involved with the audience, a way to meet new fans."

The Trongone Band got its start as a family band influenced by Lynyrd Skynyrd and Eric Clapton, playing alongside their father in Richmond, Va.

"Me and my brother and my old man started the band back when we were in high school," says Trongone. "My dad helped us get into the business and we did some minor regional touring."

"We get along and love to make music together. We know what each other is thinking and we are looking forward to putting on a high energy show."

Tickets: State Theatre Center for the Arts box office, 453 Northampton St., Easton; statetheatre.org; 1-800-999-7828; 610-252-3132

Should you stay home when you're sick?

It may seem like a silly question to ask if you believe sick people should stay instead of going to work.

In a perfect world, the answer is "of course."

The problem is this isn't a perfect world.

Most people don't want to be around someone sick. This is especially important this year when a newer, stronger strain of the flu is playing havoc in every state.

In our area it's so bad that the diocesan bishop made an unprecedented plea that those who are sick should stay home and not come to church. He also stopped Communion wine in the common cup and put a halt to the traditional handshake of peace.

We're taking the transmission of germs seriously.

Yet, look around and you'll see obviously sick people on the job.

About a month ago while checking out of a grocery store, I placed my items on the conveyor belt then cringed to see the cashier cough into her hand — the same hand she used to pack my fruit and produce. In between coughing fits, she apologized and said she knows she should not be at work.

She went on to explain she isn't full time so she doesn't get benefits. To pay her bills, she says she needs more hours, not less. She cannot afford to stay home.

At least she apologized.

Last week the nurse's assistant at a doctor's office kept coughing and wiping her nose with a tissue. Then she took my blood pressure without washing her hands.

During my long newspaper career, I often went to work sick. There was even a time when I was so sick I left work early to see a doctor. Then I went home to bed and didn't go to work that next day. An editor called telling me to get to work, even if sick, because they were short-handed.

We used to have a joke about that particular editor. We said the only excuse he would accept for missing work was death. Yours!

With five sick days, I didn't squander a day by missing work when I didn't have to. And I am in full sympathy with those who have no choice except to work, sick or not.

When I came home from the cold northeast after my Christmas vacation, I brought some things home with me — a sore throat, cough, nasal congestion that stopped me from sleeping and an all-over feeling of misery.

I stayed home, trying to get better for the big New Year's party I was looking forward to. It wasn't your typical New Year's party.

Some pontoon boat owners formed a parade of boats that were going to travel the waters of the Gulf of Mexico with merry partygoers.

WARMEST
REGARDS
By Pattie Mihalik
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Normally, as I told you in an earlier column, we parade only in the small canals in our backyard. It would have been quite the treat for me to celebrate New Year's in the waters of the Gulf.

The boats were going to pull up to a seaside restaurant for dinner before our own party started.

I must say I love my pontoon boat friends. I love them far too much to inflict my germs on them, and those germs seemed to be settling in for the long haul.

When I called to say I was brokenhearted because I couldn't celebrate on the water with some of my favorite people, my friend Andy said, "It's not like it will be our last celebration. See you when you're better."

I stayed home from church for two weeks and put my newspaper work on hold. But after two weeks with the remnants of a cold clearly hanging on, I had to go do an interview that would have been just about impossible to reschedule.

The person I was interviewing took one look at me and said, "Stay away from me. I don't want to get sick."

I felt like Typhoid Mary.

I think she forgave me only because she loved her story — and because so far she didn't get sick.

Why is it so hard for most of us to go to bed and stay there until we are completely better?

With some, they need the money too much for a lengthy recuperation period.

For others, we think we're too busy not to keep going.

I remember one time when I was solely in charge of a major fundraiser that was a long time in the making. We had sold all our tickets and it looked like the event would be a success.

But then I got too sick to function. Worse yet, I had no backup. I HAD to go to the fundraiser, I told my doctor, begging him for one of his magic shots that would immediately make me better.

I got a shot all right, and it knocked me right out. I went to bed and couldn't get up for two days.

Of course the fundraiser went on without me. I wasn't as essential as I thought.

It's never easy for me to give up and stay home. But I believe we all have to do our part to prevent the spread of colds and flu. We might not be able to achieve world peace, but at least we can do this one small thing to stop spreading more cold weather misery.

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LV WRITERS

Poetry workshop

The Greater Lehigh Valley Writers Group meets 10 a.m. - noon Jan. 27, Palmer Branch,

Easton Area Public Library, 1 Weller Place, Palmer Township. The business meeting, free and open to the public 18 years and older, is 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

At 11 a.m., David A.

Miller II will present a program about writing poetry, and from 1:30 - 3 p.m., a poetry workshop. Attendees will receive a Valentine's card and envelope.

The afternoon work-

shop is free for members, with a fee for non-members.

Registration is required for the afternoon workshop: greaterlehighvalleywritersgroup.

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Duggan plays
Bach

Pennsylvania Sinfonia Orchestra presents its "Winter Vivaldi" concert with Father

Seán Brett Duggan, pianist, for Johann Sebastian Bach's Piano Concerto No. 2 in E Major, BWV 1051, at 3 p.m. Jan. 28, Wesley Church, 2540 Center St., Bethlehem.

Sinfonia principal trumpeter Lawrence Wright is featured in

Concerto in D for Trumpet, TWV 43: D7, by Georg Telemann. The ensemble performs Trio Sonata No. 2 in G minor for Two Oboes, Bassoon and Continuo, by Jan Dismas Zelenka, a Czech Baroque composer and contemporary of

J. S. Bach. The program opens with Antonio Vivaldi's Concerto for Strings in E minor, RV 157.

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Conceptis Sudoku By Dave Green

9x9 Sudoku grid with some numbers filled in.

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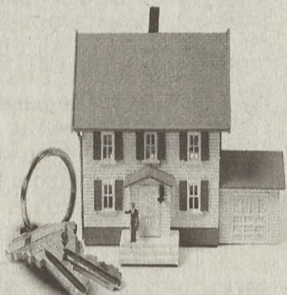
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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once.

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: N equals T

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PREMIER Crossword By Frank A. Longo

ON THE EVE

- ACROSS
1 Will, in the Bible
6 Sang like a bird
13 Modify
19 Pages, e.g.
20 Stone Age tool
21 Simple shack
22 "Well ... hop to it!"
25 Pa's ma
26 Mega-years
27 Big record label, once
28 Angers
30 "Hamlet" monologue exhortation
38 Singer DiFranco
39 Skeletal bit
40 Told fibs
41 Fancy resort
42 "Very sorry to hear that"
49 Skidded
51 Penn of film
52 Compass pt.
53 Divested (of)
55 Intl. cultural gp.
59 Like lambs
61 Voicing a question of curiosity
66 Bush barb
68 Misery
69 Battery size
70 Suffix with convert
71 Army sites
73 "Look ahead," to a drill instructor
77 Wicked acts
78 Regarding
79 Downed
80 Charged bit
81 — Lauder
83 Was the right thing, but didn't happen
88 Steeds
91 Set of seven
92 That dude's
93 Ad about DUI, maybe
95 Just makes, with "out"
96 Prune a bit
98 Be published
103 — Moines
106 "Back in Black" band
108 Actress Poehler
109 Many a charity gp.
110 Poem that's the source of the phrase comprising the first words of 22-, 30-, 42-, 61-, 73-, 83- and 98-Across
118 Viral GIF, e.g.
119 Sci-fi saucer
120 — Party
121 Cookie giant
123 Alternate title of 110-Across, with "The"
131 Director May
132 Shady giant
133 Island ring
134 Expunge

15x15 crossword puzzle grid with some words filled in.

- DOWN
1 Like cut wood
2 Pair of drum-kit cymbals
3 "A Bell for —"
4 Unleash on
5 Airport org. flagging bags
6 Parody-filled newspaper
7 Gretzky of hockey
8 Brian of rock
9 School URL ender
10 "... — a pudgy tat!"
11 Orals, e.g.
12 Clear, as a windshield
13 Boxing great
14 Bear's home
15 Bender
16 Not suited
17 Town that's home to the University of Connecticut
18 Shredded
23 Blitzen, e.g.
24 6'6", say
29 Brine source
31 Solo in films
32 Mine find
33 Game aim
34 It aired "ER"
35 Hi- — (stereos)
36 Caviar fish
37 Suburb of Minneapolis
42 "Umami" taste source
43 "— haw!"
44 Simply must keep going
45 At variance
46 Dr. Kildare player Ayres
47 "I heard him exclaim, — he drove out of sight ..."
48 "Fine fellow"
50 Paperboy, for one
54 Gorilla guru Fossey
56 Actress Leelee
57 Pick out from others
58 Some poems
60 Plural of "el"
62 Be in debt
63 Some votes
64 Zapping ER treatment
65 Silver of statistics
67 Neighbor of Belg.
71 Party
72 Netman Arthur
74 "Uh-huh"
75 Caviar base
76 Inseparable
77 DDE's WWII sphere
79 Chocoholic, e.g.
82 Chinese port
84 Oahu patio
85 Road, in Italy
86 Seer's "gift"
87 "Fresh Air" network
89 Dusk, to a bard
90 Old Brit. Airways jet
94 More heartfelt
97 PC file that's shareable
99 Fathers
100 First-aid pro
101 Writer Rand
102 Nanki- — ("The Mikado" son)
103 Block up
104 Made level
105 "Good as gold," e.g.
107 Mötley —
111 "Love Story" author Erich
112 "He's a man — words"
113 Diner
114 "With this ring — wed"
115 Keno's kin
116 Knight's mail
117 Some pups
122 Norway port
124 Make haste
125 Blast stuff
126 Flying stinger
127 Apartment divs.
128 Archaic verb ending
129 Dernier —
130 Used a pew

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PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF ACTION IN MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
CIVIL ACTION - LAW
NO.: 2017-C-2390

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,
 vs.
 Gregory B. Bear, Defendant
 TO: Gregory B. Bear
 You are hereby notified that Plaintiff, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., filed an Action in Mortgage Foreclosure endorsed with a Notice to Defend, in the Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, docketed to No. 2017-C-2390, seeking to foreclose the mortgage secured by the real estate located at 3830 John Street, Emmaus, PA 18049.
 A copy of the Action in Mortgage Foreclosure will be sent to you upon request to the Attorney for the Plaintiff, Manley Deas Kochalski LLC, P. O. Box 165028, Columbus, OH 43216-5028. Phone 614-220-5611.
 You have been sued in court. If you wish to defend against the claims in this notice, you must take action within twenty (20) days after this publication, by entering a written appearance personally or by attorney and filing in writing with the court your defenses or objections to the claims set forth against you. You are warned that if you fail to do so the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you by the court without further notice for any money claimed in the complaint or for any other claim or relief requested by the plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.
YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS NOTICE TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP.
LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE
 Lawyer Referral Service
 P.O. Box 1324
 Allentown, PA 18105
 (610) 433-7094
 Jan. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF DONALD T. DOUGHERTY, late of Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:
 Anne L. Nierer & Thomas W. Dougherty, Executors
 c/o John O. Stover, Jr., Esquire
 537 Chestnut Street
 Emmaus, PA 18049
 Or to their attorney: John O. Stover, Jr., Esquire
 537 Chestnut Street
 Emmaus, PA 18049
 Jan. 10, 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
ESTATE OF BARBARA M. ROSENBERGER, Decedent, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent make known the same, and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment in full, without delay, to:
Executor: Karen R. Fenstermaker
 c/o Jon A. Swartz, Esquire
 7736 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051
 Attorney: Jon A. Swartz, Esquire
 7736 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051
 Jan. 17, 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE
BUSINESS CORPORATION - Notice is hereby given that Articles of Incorporation were filed with the Department of State for chester county raceway, Inc., a corporation organized under the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988.
DENNIS B. YOUNG, Solicitor
 430 W. First Ave.
 Parkesburg, PA 19365
 Jan. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF WILLIAM S. EVANS, a/k/a WILLIAM STEWART EVANS, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.
 Letters Testamentary have been granted to the person(s) named below, who request(s) all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Executor: Patricia M. Evans, a/k/a Patricia Michelle Evans
 c/o James R. Wishchuk, JD
 2310 Walbert Avenue, Suite 103
 Allentown, PA 18104-1360
 or to their Attorney: James R. Wishchuk, JD
 2310 Walbert Ave., Suite 103
 Allentown, PA 18104-1360
 Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF ROY E. MORRELL, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.
 Letters Testamentary have been granted to the person(s) named below, who request(s) all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Co-Executors: Barry E. Morrell, a/k/a Barry Edward Morrell and Gail A. Petri
 c/o James R. Wishchuk, JD
 2310 Walbert Avenue, Suite 103
 Allentown, PA 18104-1360
 or to their Attorney: James R. Wishchuk, JD
 2310 Walbert Ave., Suite 103
 Allentown, PA 18104-1360
 Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE is hereby given by the Board of Supervisors of Lynn Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, that they will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Lynn Township Municipal Building located at 7911 Kings Highway, Lynnport, Pennsylvania. The purpose of the public hearing is to consider a proposed modification to the Agricultural Security Area within Lynn Township.
 The proposed modification would add the following parcel of lands to the Lynn Township Agricultural Security Area: 23.7 acres more or less of land located at 8897 Hermhutter Strass Road, Kempton, Pennsylvania 19529, more particularly identified as PIN No.: 540854590575 1; and 0.3 acres more or less of land located on Hermhutter Strass Road, Kempton, Pennsylvania 19529, more particularly identified as PIN No.: 540854653716.1. The proposed addition is more fully described in maps contained in the Lynn Township Municipal Building which may be inspected by the public during normal business hours. The proposed modification received a favorable recommendation from both the Lynn Township Planning Commission and the Lynn Township Agricultural Security Area Advisory Committee. Any interested citizenry may appear and comment at the public meeting.
Marc S. Fisher, Esquire
 Solicitor, Lynn Township
 Jan. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of OSBON D. ARNDT, deceased, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Lisa Wenner, Co-Executrix
Scott A. Wenner, Co-Executor
 c/o YOUNG & YOUNG
 Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
 Donald S. Young, Esq.
 119 E. Main Street
 Macungie, PA 18062
 Or to their Attorney: YOUNG & YOUNG
 Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
 Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
 119 E. Main Street
 Macungie, PA 18062
 Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
ESTATE OF SUSAN LEE STARK A/K/A SUSAN LEE JONES, Decedent, late of Bethlehem Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent make known the same, and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment in full, without delay, to:
Executor: JOHN T. STARK
 c/o Richard W. Shaffer, Jr., Esquire
 7736 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051
 Attorney: Richard W. Shaffer, Jr., Esquire
 7736 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051
 Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township shall conduct a public hearing on Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Upper Macungie Township Building at 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031. The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony; evidence and comment from interested parties and the public related to two separate proposed Amendments to the Upper Macungie Township Zoning Ordinance.
 The first proposed amendment(s) to the Zoning Ordinance (proposed as Upper Macungie Township Ordinance No. 2018-01) amends Zoning Ordinance § 27-102 Applicability (related to Township owned lands, buildings and structures) and Section §27-118 - Conditional Use Process (establishing certain standards).

The second proposed amendment(s) to the Zoning Ordinance (proposed as Upper Macungie Township Ordinance No. 2018-02) amends the Ordinance at § 27-307.2.c. Table of Lot and Setback Requirements by District.
 The general public shall have the right to attend and be heard.
Ashley A. Godshall
 Secretary
 Upper Macungie Township
 Jan. 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE
 The Townships of Heidelberg, Lowhill, Lynn, Washington & Weisenberg and Borough of Slatining, Lehigh County, PA will hold regular workshops as necessary to discuss updates to "The Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan for The Northern Region of Lehigh County". The workshop will be held at the Lowhill Township Municipal Building, located at 7000 Herber Rd, New Tripoli, PA 18066 on the first Tuesday of each month in 2018 at 5:30 pm.
Brian C. Carl
 Weisenberg & Lowhill Townships Administrator
 Jan. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE
WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC HEARING
 NOTICE is hereby given that the Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners, at their February 12, 2018 public meeting, held in the public meeting room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA, beginning at 7:00 PM, will hold a public hearing on the following conditional use appeal:

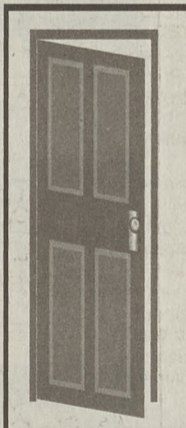
INDEX NO. 1305-17 - DVS Enterprises, Inc.
 250 N. Second St. Coplay, PA. Applicant requesting conditional use approval pursuant to §27-55 of the Whitehall Township Zoning Ordinance - Lots Divided by Zoning District Boundary Line - for proposed multi family residential use in an OS-2, Open Space Limited Industrial Zone.

Any interested parties to this appeal must attend this meeting to be considered.
 Copies of all documents are available for public inspection at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building during normal business hours of 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.
 The Whitehall Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Any person requiring special assistance to understand the nature of business conducted at the above meeting due to visual, hearing or other impairment, is requested to contact the Township Secretary at 610-437-5524 x149 at least five (5) days prior to the scheduled meeting to arrange for the necessary assistance.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Jan. 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 260-24 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CATASAUQUA RELATING TO HANDICAP PARKING; ADDING AND REMOVING CERTAIN HANDICAP PARKING ONLY SIGNS

Jan. 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

ZONING MAP AMENDMENT, ORDINANCE 1170 BOROUGH OF EMMAUS

Jan. 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby provided pursuant to Sections 609(b) and 610 of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, 53 P.S. 10609(b) and 10610, that Borough Council ("Council") of the Borough of Emmaus ("Borough") will hold a public hearing on the 5th day of February, 2018, commencing at 7:00 p.m. at Borough Hall, located at 28 South 4th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049, for the purpose of taking public comment and input concerning the adoption of an amendment to the Borough of Emmaus Zoning Ordinance of 1993 and the Emmaus Borough Zoning Map ("Zoning Map"), all as set forth in proposed Ordinance 1170.

Council will consider passage of the proposed Ordinance at a public meeting to be held on the 5th day of February, 2018, commencing after the above-noted public hearing. The public meeting shall take place at the Borough Hall, located at 28 South 4th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049.

Copies of the proposed Ordinance have been served upon the Lehigh Valley and Borough of Emmaus Planning Commissions as well as the Southwestern Lehigh Comprehensive Plan Members pursuant to applicable law. The following is a summary of the contents of the proposed Ordinance prepared by the Solicitor pursuant to Section 610(a) of the Municipalities Planning Code, as amended, 53 P.S. 10610(a).

The title of proposed Ordinance is "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOROUGH OF EMMAUS ZONING ORDINANCE BY AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO CHANGE THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF A 4.11 ACRE (MORE OR LESS) TRACT OF LAND FORMING A PART OF A 17.29 ACRE TRACT KNOWN AS "N. 10th ST., EMMAUS, PA 18049" AND IDENTIFIED BY LEHIGH COUNTY TAX PIN NUMBER 549414909541 1 FROM THE MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (R-M) ZONING DISTRICT TO THE LIMITED COMMERCIAL (B-L) ZONING DISTRICT."

The Ordinance will become effective following enactment by Council and Mayor approval. All other ordinances or parts thereof in conflict are repealed to the extent of such conflict. The Ordinance contains a savings clause. The Ordinance is intended to amend the Zoning Map to change the zoning classification of a 4.11 acre (more or less) portion of a 17.29 acre tract known as "N. 10th St." (PIN 549414909541 1) from Medium Density Residential (R-M) to Limited Commercial (B-L). The Ordinance contains Legislative Findings explaining its history, purpose, intent and rationale. Copies of the proposed Map Amendment and legal description for the property are attached to the Ordinance.

Copies of the complete Ordinance may be examined and/or obtained at the Borough Hall, located at 28 South 4th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049, during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. In addition, and in accordance with Section 610 of the Municipalities Planning Code, as amended, 53 P.S. 10610, copies of the proposed Ordinance have been filed in the Lehigh County Department of Law (Lehigh County Government Center, 17 S. 7th Street, Allentown, PA) and at the East Penn Press newspaper.

BOROUGH OF EMMAUS
BOROUGH COUNCIL
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Jan. 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Weisenberg Township Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, February 14, 2018, starting at 7:00 P.M. in the Township Municipal Building at 2175 Seipstown Road, Fogelsville, PA. The Zoning Hearing Board will consider the following Appeals:

Case No. 2017-3, Appeal No. 298. A hearing in the Appeal of Golden Key Developers LLC, with an address of 3481 Finland Road, Pennsburg, PA 18073, seeking as outlined in the Application the following:

1. An Interpretation(s) by Applicant for the following as a result of an Appeal from the Zoning Officer's October 23, 2017 decision pursuant to Applicant's request under the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC), Section 53 P.S. § 10916.2 in connection with the property located at 2501 Golden Key Road (GIS PIN/Parcel ID 543653512995 1), from the Zoning Officer's denial of the approval of the issuance of the Preliminary Opinion under said Section 53 P.S. § 10916.2.

(Continued by Applicant from December 13, 2017 Agenda due to scheduling conflict-with MPC waiver(s)).

Case 2018-1, Appeal No. 299. A hearing in the Appeal of Golden Key Developers, LLC, with an address of 3481 Finland Road, Pennsburg, PA 18073, seeking as outlined in the Application the following:

I. A Substantive Validity Challenge to the Weisenberg Township Zoning Ordinance regarding alleged unlawful Exclusion of "Mobile Home Park(s)" in connection with the property located at 2501 Golden Key Road, Weisenberg Township, Lehigh County, New Tripoli, Pennsylvania 18066 GIS PIN/Parcel ID 543653512995 1 (Document ID, 2013044481).

The parcel identified for the Owners property located at 2501 Golden Key Road, Weisenberg Township, Lehigh County, New Tripoli, Pennsylvania 18066 (identified in the Application as, located at the northeast quadrant of the intersection of Golden Key and Seipstown Roads) identified as GIS PIN/Parcel 543653512995 1 (Document ID, 2013044481). The Applicant seeks the above-mentioned requested Substantive Validity Challenge to the Weisenberg Township Zoning Ordinance regarding the alleged unlawful Exclusion of "Mobile Home Park(s)" pursuant to Section 53 P.S. § 10916.1(a)(1) of the Municipalities Planning Code (MPC).

The above-referenced property is located in Weisenberg Township, Lehigh County, PA. Copies of the Appeal Application, plans and supporting documents filed with the Appeal Application, are available for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building during regular business hours. All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard.

NEIL D. ETTINGER, SOLICITOR
WEISENBERG TOWNSHIP
ZONING HEARING BOARD

Jan. 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

INVITATION TO BID

The Whitehall-Coplay School District will receive sealed bids for the District's Campus Wiring Project. Bids shall be received by the Whitehall-Coplay School District by 1:00 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) on March 2, 2018, at its District Office located at 2940 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052.

Bid documents, including the specifications, may be obtained at the District Office of the Whitehall-Coplay School District, located at 2940 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052.

Timely submitted Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud on March 2, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) in the Whitehall-Coplay School District Office, 2940 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held as follows:

Friday, February 16, 2018 at 9:00 A.M. (Eastern Standard Time)

The pre-bid meeting will be held at the Whitehall High School located at 3800 Mechanicsville Rd., Whitehall, PA 18052. The meeting will consist of a review of the bid specifications and a walk-through of each site location.

Bids must be submitted on forms included in the bidding documents and must be accompanied by Bid Security, Anti-Discrimination Clause, and Non-Collusion Affidavit in accordance with the Request for Bid documents.

Bids shall conform to all other requirements as more fully set forth in the bidding documents, including compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

This Project is subject to the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Law, approved August 15, 1961 (Act No. 442), as amended, and reference is made to the prevailing minimum wage rates applicable to this Project which have been promulgated by the Secretary of Labor and Industry.

All proposals submitted are valid for acceptance by the District and may not be withdrawn for a period of at least sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof unless the award of contract is delayed by the required approvals of another governmental agency, sale of bonds or award of grant or grants, in which case, proposals shall be irrevocable for one hundred twenty (120) days in accordance with Section 3911 of the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Procurement Code, 62 Pa.C.S. § 3911.

The District reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or any part thereof or items therein and to waive informalities and/or technicalities as it deems best to protect its interest.

The Project involves E-rate-eligible products and services. Several criteria and restrictions pertinent to the E-Rate program are addressed in the bid documents, and must be met for a Bid to be considered a qualified Bid. Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of RANDY L. KERCHER, Deceased, late of the Borough of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:

JOAN GRAHAM, and
FAY KERCHER, Co-Administrators
c/o their attorney:
JOHN M. ASHCRAFT, III, ESQUIRE
Address: 20 North 5th Street, Suite #1
Emmaus, PA 18049-2406
Jan. 10, 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Bethlehem Area School District's 2018-19 Preliminary Budget is available for public inspection. Members of the public may view the Preliminary Budget online or at the Ed. Center, BASD, 1516 Sycamore St. Bethlehem PA. Members of the public may request a copy of the Preliminary Budget and a reasonable copying fee will be charged.

The Board of Directors will act on the 2018-19 Preliminary Budget at the Special Bd Mtg on February 12, 2018 (snow date Feb. 14), at 6pm at Ed. Center, Edgeboro Rm, address above.
Stacy M. Gober, Board Secretary
Jan. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Bethlehem Area School District will receive sealed bids in the form of single prime lump sum contract for Stadium Grandstand Painting and Handrail Repairs.

Bids are due to the Board Secretary, BASD Education Center, 1516 Sycamore St. Bethlehem PA 18017, no later than 1:00 pm prevailing time February 27, 2018 at which time bids will be publicly opened and read.

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on February 6, 2018 at 3:30 pm prevailing time at Liberty High School, 1115 Linden St., Bethlehem PA. Non-attendees will not be permitted to bid. Site visits will be conducted at the Pre-bid Conference. Bidders shall contact the BASD Maintenance Office (610) 867-8635 to arrange additional site visits.

Electronic Contract Documents: Prospective Prime Bidders may obtain one (1) set of Bid/Contract Documents in electronic format (PDF) upon request to D'Huy Engineering, Inc., One East Broad Street, Suite 310, Bethlehem, PA, 18018 (610-865-3000) for a non-refundable cost of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). Make checks payable to D'Huy Engineering, Inc. Bidders may place orders starting February 1, 2018. An additional fee of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) shall be included if documents are requested to be mailed via FedEx Express service.

Bid Bond, Performance Bond, and Payment Bonds are required. These Projects are subject to the provisions of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act.

Ms. Stacy Gober, Board Secretary
Jan. 17, 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the House & Ordinance Committee of Fountain Hill Borough will hold a Public Meeting on January 30, 2018 at 11:00 A.M. in Borough Hall, 941 Long Street, for the purpose of addressing the fire inspections and such other business that Committee may wish to address.

Anthony Branco, Executive Administrator
Jan. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICES

Notice is hereby given that the following Fountain Hill Borough Committees shall hold the following meetings at Borough Hall, 941 Long Street;

Personnel Committee will hold an executive meeting on January 25, 2018 starting at 11:30 A.M. to discuss personnel matters, and a House & Ordinance Committee will hold a Public Meeting on January 30, 2018 at 11:00 A.M. for the purpose of addressing the fire inspections and such other business that each Committee may wish to address.

Anthony Branco, Executive Administrator
Jan. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Notice is hereby given that on January 9, 2018, Certificate of Organization was filed in the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for JK Properties, LLC, in accordance with the provisions of the Limited Liability Act of 1994.

Lisa A. Pereira, Esquire
BROUGHAL & DEVITO, L.L.P.
38 West Market Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018
Jan. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

BIDS WANTED

Sealed electronic bids will be received by the Lehigh County Schools Joint Purchasing Board, until 2:00 p.m., February 20, 2018, for the following:

Science Supplies

All bids will be exclusively received and processed through the eSchoolmail easyBid application process at www.eSchoolmail.com; the failure to follow this process (no paper submissions will be considered) will disqualify the bid submission. Bid instructions and specifications can be obtained from Andrew Barnett at 610-769-4111, ext. 1682 or barnetta@cliu.org Bids will be opened at 2:00 p.m. on February 20, 2018.

Patricia T. Bader LCSJBP Board Chairperson
Jan. 17, 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

RE: ESTATE OF JOSEPH F. MULLNER, JR. Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been granted in the Estate of Joseph F. Mullner, Jr., late of Cherryville, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. All persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment and those having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent shall present them without delay to:

Melinda Muller
517 Longacre Drive
Cherryville, PA 18035
or to their attorney:
Brian L. Kerstetter, JD
3948 Westbranch Highway
Lewisburg, PA 17837
(570) 524-6020
Jan. 10, 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

RE: ESTATE OF PAUL F. DIETZ Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary have been granted in the Estate of Paul F. Dietz, late of Northampton, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. All persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment and those having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent shall present them without delay to:

Susan A. Lindenmoyer
76 Mud Lane
Northampton, PA 18067
or to their attorney:
Brian L. Kerstetter, JD
3948 Westbranch Highway
Lewisburg, PA 17837
(570) 524-6020
Jan. 10, 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of DOROTHY M. KAUKER, late of the City of Bethlehem, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary on the above named estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to:

Donna J. Goss, Executrix
c/o WILLIAM P. LEESON, ESQUIRE
70 East Broad Street, P.O. Box 1426
Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426
Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of RUTH S. ALLEN, late of the Township of Hanover, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary on the above named estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to:

LINDA A. DICKERT, Executrix
c/o WILLIAM P. LEESON, ESQUIRE
70 East Broad Street, P.O. Box 1426
Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426
Jan. 17, 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF VERONICA O'KEEFE a/k/a ANNA VERONICA O'KEEFE a/k/a A. VERONICA O'KEEFE, late of the City of Allentown, County of Lehigh and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary on the above named estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands to present the same without delay to:

JOSEPH J. O'KEEFE, JR.
c/o WILLIAM P. LEESON, ESQUIRE
70 East Broad Street, P.O. Box 1426
Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426
Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

ESTATE OF PHILOMENA ABD-EL-BARY, deceased, of the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to William F. Murnin, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

William F. Murnin, Executor,
c/o Lori Gardiner Kreglow, Esquire
18 East Market Street
P.O. Box 1961
Bethlehem, PA 18016-1961
Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, in the estate of the decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted letters, testamentary or of administration to the persons named. All persons having claims against said estate are requested to make known the same to them or their attorneys and all persons indebted to said decedent are requested to make payment without delay to the executors or administrators named below.

CANFIELD, HELEN L., Late of Allentown, Lehigh County, PA.
JEFFREY B. CANFIELD, Executor
c/o 1620 Pond Road, Ste. 200
Allentown, PA 18104-2255
or EDWARD H. BUTZ, ESQ.
1620 POND ROAD, SUITE 200
ALLENTOWN, PA 18104-2255
Jan. 17, 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, in the estate of the decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted letters, testamentary or of administration to the persons named. All persons having claims against said estate are requested to make known the same to them or their attorneys and all persons indebted to said decedent are requested to make payment without delay to the executors or administrators named below.

ALEX W. POZCZAK Decedent,
late of Bethlehem Township, PA
Bernadine P. Poczak, Administrator
Address: c/o 1820 Pond Road, Ste. 200
Allentown, PA 18101-2255
EDWARD H. BUTZ, ESQ.
1620 Pond Road, Suite 200
Allentown, PA 18101-2255
(610) 530-2700
Jan. 17, 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Macungie Borough Council will hold a public hearing on February 5, 2018 at 7:30 p.m., at the Macungie Institute Auditorium, 510 E. Main Street, Macungie, Pennsylvania, to consider and possibly adopt an ordinance, of which this notice is a summary, amending the Macungie Borough Zoning Ordinance of 2013 at Chapter 345 of the Macungie Borough Code of Ordinances, by clarifying and making corrections to certain provisions throughout the Macungie Borough Zoning Ordinance and by allowing Non Profit Festivals and Shows/Fairs as a permitted use within the C-R Zoning District. The title of the Ordinance is as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MACUNGIE BOROUGH ZONING ORDINANCE OF 2013 AT CHAPTER 345 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF MACUNGIE BOROUGH.

A full copy of the above-referenced ordinance is available for review at Macungie Borough Hall, 21 Locust Street, Macungie, Pennsylvania, and the Lehigh County Solicitor's Office, Lehigh County Government Center, 17 South 7th Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania during normal business hours. All interested parties are invited to attend this public hearing and meeting.

Chris L. Boehm, Borough Manager
Jan. 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

MEETING NOTICE

The Regular Board Meeting of the Northampton County Housing Authority originally scheduled for Monday, January 22, 2018, has been rescheduled for Monday, January 29, 2018 at 4:15 p.m. at Oliver Border House, 15 South Wood Street, Nazareth, PA 18064.

Please contact Ms. Feiertag if there are any questions at: (610) 965-4514 ext. 212.
Christina Feiertag, Deputy Executive Director
Jan. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF JANIS B. KLECKNER, late of South Whitehall Township, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

Jeffrey D. Kleckner
c/o R. Nicholas Nanovic, Esquire
Norris, McLaughlin & Marcus, P.A.
515 W. Hamilton St., Suite 502
Allentown, PA 18101
or to his attorney:
R. Nicholas Nanovic, Esquire
Norris, McLaughlin & Marcus, P.A.
515 W. Hamilton St., Suite 502
Allentown, PA 18101
Jan. 17, 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

Cellco Partnership and its controlled affiliates doing business as Verizon Wireless is proposing to build a 108-foot Monopole Telecommunications Tower in the vicinity of 9005 Hamilton Boulevard, Breinigsville, Lehigh County, PA 18031. Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: Kelly E. Wiles, RGA, Inc., 259 Prospect Plains Rd., Bldg. D, Cranbury, NJ 08512; kwiles@rgaincorporated.com; 609-655-0692; x356. Reference RGA project # 2018-013W
Jan. 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF Vincent A. Bartosik a/k/a Vincent Arthur Bartosik, Deceased, late of 6488 Alburts Road, Macungie, Lehigh County, PA 18062.

Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

Personal Representative of the Estate of Vincent A. Bartosik a/k/a Vincent Arthur Bartosik, Deceased:
Steven P. Bartosik
c/o James A. Ritter, Esquire
Gross McGinley, LLP
111 E. Harrison St., Suite 2
Emmaus, PA 18049-2916
or to his Attorney: James A. Ritter, Esquire
Gross McGinley, LLP
111 E. Harrison St., Ste. 2
Emmaus, PA 18049-2916
Jan. 10, 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ZONING HEARING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held by the Zoning Hearing Board of Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, PA on Tuesday, February 6, 2018 at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Ave., Allentown, PA 18103.

415 MOUNTAIN BLVD., EMMAUS, PA 18049 - APPEAL NO. A-18-10867

Hear the appeal of Mr. Stuart G. Rogers requesting a favorable interpretation by the Zoning Hearing Board for the following Variances relative to a Section 27-801.1.B that requires any new lot shall have frontage and direct access onto a public street, without traversing through or over another lot. The site is located within the R-1 Rural Residential Zoning District of Salisbury Township. A Variance is requested from this section to allow the existing driveway to be located within a proposed access easement that traverses across another lot as there are no proposed improvements as part of this subdivision, and the existing driveway currently traverses through an existing access easement on an adjacent lot.

Hear the appeal of Mr. Stuart G. Rogers requesting a favorable interpretation by the Zoning Hearing Board for the following Variance from Section 27-801.3 relative to allowing only one principal building to be permitted per lot. A Variance is requested from this section to allow an in-law suite to be located in a separate building from the main dwelling. This in-law suite will not be rented and will only be used for immediate family members as an extension of the main dwelling.
Jan. 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF Jacquelyn L. Maxwell, a/k/a Jacqueline L. Maxwell, deceased, late of Bethlehem, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

Lisa A. Bartera, Esquire, Santanasto Law, 210 E. Broad Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018.
Jan. 10, 17, 24

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF DOROTHY ABLE SCHOLL NICHOLAS, deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

HEATHER A. NICHOLAS
c/o CHARLES A. WATERS, ESQUIRE
STECKEL AND STOPP, LLC
125 S. WALNUT STREET, SUITE 210
SLATINGTON, PA 18080
Jan. 17, 24, 31

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF JAMES P. PRICE, late of New Tripoli, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

LINDA P. DIEBERT, DIANE E. MILLER AND
BRENDA M. LOCH
c/o CHARLES W. STOPP, ESQUIRE
STECKEL AND STOPP, LLC
125 S. WALNUT STREET, SUITE 210
SLATINGTON, PA 18080
Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF MICHAEL L. SIEGFRIED, deceased, late of City of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:

ALICIA M. AFFIF, EXECUTRIX
C/O CHARLES W. STOPP, ESQUIRE
STECKEL AND STOPP
125 S. WALNUT STREET, SUITE 210
SLATINGTON, PA 18080
Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF ROBERT C. SCHILLINGER, deceased, late of Topton, Berks County, and Schnecksville, Lehigh County Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:

CHRIS R. SCHILLINGER AND LYNN C. CROMONIZ, EXECUTORS
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The Borough of Emmaus has an immediate opening for a full-time Paramedic position. Position pays up to \$24.08 per hour with excellent benefits. Successful candidate shall be a Pennsylvania-licensed paramedic or PHRN and shall have all updated certifications at the time of hire. Candidate shall have a valid PA driver license, HAZMAT Awareness Operations course, EVOC, at least two years' active, documented experience as an EMT, one year as a paramedic, or an equivalent combination. Job description and application can be found at www.borough.emmaus.pa.us/employment or at Emmaus Town Hall, 28 S. 4th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049. Application deadline is 12:00 PM on Wednesday, February 21, 2018. Include copies of all certifications and background checks with application. EOE.

Borough of Emmaus Wheelchair Van Operator

The Borough of Emmaus has an immediate opening for part-time wheelchair van operators. Position pays \$10.50 per hour. Successful candidate shall have a valid Pennsylvania Drivers License and a clean driving record, shall be able to transport customers to and from hospitals and residences, shall be able to push, lift, and pull up 150 pounds, and shall be able to meet all requirements of the job description. Job description and application can be found at www.borough.emmaus.pa.us/employment or at Emmaus Town Hall, 28 S. 4th Street, Emmaus, PA 18049. Application deadline is 12:00 PM on Wednesday, February 21, 2018. Include copies of all certifications and background checks with application. EOE.

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