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## Tower rezoning leads to land use appeal

BY BERNIE O'HARE  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

**B**ethlehem City Council's controversial rezoning of the 52-acre Martin Tower is supposed to jumpstart site at the long-vacant site, including the possible demolition of the iconic 21-story former Bethlehem Steel headquarters. While city officials wait for a master plan, they've been greeted by something else — a lawsuit.

Two Downtown Historic Bethlehem businesses have been joined by one Southside business and four families to file a land use appeal of the rezoning decision. Filed in Lehigh County Court Jan. 13, the lawsuit is a procedural challenge to the new zoning ordinance.

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Distinguished land use and zoning attorney Marc Kaplin, who maintains a practice in Blue Bell, filed the land use appeal on behalf of Hotel Bethlehem, Donegal Square, the Taylor Family Gas Station and residents Rocco and Electra D'Amato, Steven and Barbara Diamond, Clint and Sonia Walker, Deni Thurman-Eyer and Robert Romeril.

According to the 196-page filing, two critical errors doomed the zoning ordinance, which was adopted by city council on a 6-1 vote at its Dec. 15, 2015, meeting.

First, Planning Director Darlene Heller made changes to the ordinance on Aug. 28, 2015, which were transmitted to council

without review by the planning commission. Second, after city council itself proposed some amendments to the ordinance, Heller failed to provide those changes to the planning commission at least 30 days in advance of a hearing.

According to the Municipalities Planning Code (MPC), amendments proposed by a governing body like city council must be submitted to the planning commission at least 30 days in advance of a hearing. They must also be provided with changes unilaterally made by the planning director.

Because the city failed to follow the procedural requirements set forth in the MPC, Attorney Kaplin argued that the ordinance adopted Dec. 15 is void on its face.

### PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

If you had been among this past week's Power Ball winners, what is the first thing you would have done with your winnings?



"There are a lot of things I would do, but the first thing would be to buy my parents anything that they wanted."

**John Melosky**

Weehawken, N.J.



"Stop working, buy a house in California and enjoy the rest of my life."

**Nader Hanna**

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### BASD

## Board readies prelim budget

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI  
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**I**t may be early, but financial and political realities have made it necessary for the school board to be ready with a preliminary budget for 2016-17.

In fact, the lengthy Jan. 11 meeting several times skewed away from carefully delineated bullet points to bitter, frustrated lamentation toward Harrisburg and overall mishandling of education and budgeting in the commonwealth.

The early district budget draft is currently

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### EASTERN PA. BRIDAL EXPO



# Not your mom's wedding dress

PRESS PHOTO BY CAROLE GORNEY

What bride-to-be couldn't picture herself in this gorgeous floor-length gown with its swirling layers of figure-flattering organza? More than 100 vendors selling products and services from the engagement to the honeymoon were represented at the two-day event, making it the largest bridal show in the Lehigh Valley. See our coverage on page A13.

## Gov. Wolf visits Ben Franklin campus

BY DANA GRUBB  
Special to The Press

**P**ennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf paid a visit to Bethlehem's South Mountain Ben Franklin Tech Ventures business incubator campus Jan. 12 in an effort "to learn more about what is going here."

Citing the state funding supporting the four technology centers located in Pennsylvania, Wolf noted the state government's commitment through the provision of start-up funding "for smart people to start businesses that create jobs."

"For each one dollar invested, \$3.60 comes back to the state treasury," Wolf said.



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf begins his tour of the Ben Franklin Tech Center by viewing a brief video outlining the business incubator's history and success since its founding in 1983.

Accompanied by Ben Franklin President and CEO R. Chadwick Paul Jr., the governor first viewed a brief video outlining the Ben Franklin Tech Ventures history since its 1983 founding, before touring the facility.

Wolf then met with representatives from four of the incubator clients, including Colymer Industries LLC which developed Tarzanite, a waterproofing material with roofing and paving applications; Orbweaver Sourcing LLC, developer of direct purchase order automation software; U.S. Specialty Formulations LLC, a manufacturer of sterile injectable pharma-

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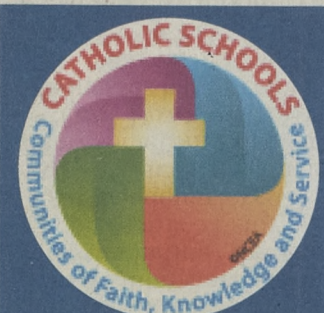
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**PEOPLE SAY**

BY DANA GRUBB

If you had been among this past week's Power Ball winners, what is the first thing you would have done with your winnings?



"Probably pay off all of our debt."  
**Siobhan Jones**  
Nazareth



"Pay off some credit card bills."  
**Aris Centino**  
Nazareth



"I would stop working and travel all over the world."  
**Ania Hanna**  
(with Olivia)  
Bethlehem



"Build a fancy outdoor ice rink."  
**Steve Hawks**  
Hanover Township



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

**Colymer Industries President and CEO Paul Boddy shows Governor Wolf how well his company's Tarzanite proprietary non-soluble waterproofing material works.**



Governor Wolf said state support of incubators such as Ben Franklin Tech Ventures gives "bright people with good ideas and a passion for hard work" the incentive to take the risk of the business marketplace.

**WOLF**

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Biosciences Inc., a medical diagnostics company.

Wolf ended his visit with a question and answer period with local media. During that session he said, the state needs to support good entrepreneurs. "The state shouldn't do too much," Wolf said, "but we can nudge those who work in the market by providing encouragement through seed money."

Ben Franklin Tech Ventures is one of the largest business incubator networks in the United States and since its founding in 1983 has graduated 64 successful companies which have created more than 6,400 jobs and grossed over \$1.2 billion in revenue last year.

**BASD**

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set at around \$266 million, and administrators hope they've considered all possibilities, considering there's been no word on state funding from last fiscal year, let alone the current one. Unfortunately, it currently appears about \$15 million will have to be peeled away to avoid a deficit, most of which comes from pension increases and rising charter school obligations. Today, pensions account for more than \$30 million of BASD's total preliminary budget - an increase of more than \$5 million from last year. Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy began the budget talk by cheerfully

announcing, "So here we go!" and an hour later he was unable to keep the resentment from his voice as he and board members openly derided elected state officials for playing politics and passing blame for local problems onto school districts. This directly reflects their irritation with the growing charter school problem - one which is lost on politicians and rarely even recognized by the public. Roy, President Mike Faccinnetto and member Shannon Patrick took turns voicing annoyance at charter schools and the massive investment they represent without compensation (state subsidies for charters ended in 2011) or

Patrick said if she had such overpriced, ineffective employees as a small business owner, she'd fire them. "What do we have to do to get these people fired? These people are doing a sucky job." Roy said educating the taxpayers about the issue is necessary to get something done. Answered Patrick, excited to shine a spotlight on the issue, "Let's get brazen!" The school board plans to vote on whether to accept the preliminary budget by the end of January in order to qualify for Act 1 tax increase exceptions, and a final budget must be adopted by June 30.

**Supt. Roy has answers for Harrisburg**

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI  
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**ANOTHER VIEW**

In an ironically labeled "modest proposal" distributed Jan. 11, Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy detailed a handful of suggestions that would solve many

problems in Harrisburg for school districts and the commonwealth - if there were anyone willing to listen. Lost in the fog of partisan political war is the fact that a series of mod-

est budgetary and policy proposals are doable and could significantly benefit and strengthen public schools in the commonwealth if our elected state leaders would choose to enact them. Public policy reflects choices by legislators about what we value and how we distribute scarce resources, generally in the form of money. Our political leaders can choose to correct public policy that has been decidedly damaging to public education. Our political leaders can choose to implement a number of modest policy proposals that demonstrate a belief in the value of public education, invest in our schools and shift away from the detrimental public policy of the recent past. Each of the following proposals have been discussed and considered in Harrisburg; none have been enacted by our political leaders. The estimated financial benefit to the Bethlehem Area School District (BASD) for each of the proposals is noted:

- Proposal #1** - Pass the budget framework for 2015-16 agreed to by the governor, House Republican leaders, Senate Republican leaders and passed by the Senate as Senate Bill 1073 in early December. Impact: + \$2.7 million to BASD
- Proposal #2** - Implement the funding revisions recommended by the Special Education Funding Commission so that charter schools are no longer overpaid by school districts for special education costs. Impact: + \$1 million to BASD.
- Proposal #3** - Implement the revised cyber charter funding formula proposed by Governor

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Kids' Storytime with Jane, 10:30 a.m., ages two to four; sign up in children's book department; Moravian Book Shop, 428 Main St. Call 610-866-5481 or visit [www.moravianbookshop.com](http://www.moravianbookshop.com).

Salvation Army, adult Bible study, 11 a.m. to noon; Women's ministries ages 16 and up; program, Gary Martell, Boys and Girls Clubs, speaker, 1 p.m. 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681.

**Thursday, Jan. 21**

Salvation Army, seniors 50 and over, 10:45 a.m., George Fennell: "The Really Terrible Orchestra" program, followed by lunch (donation). 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681.

Family Story Time, 11:30 to noon. Bethlehem Area Public Library, Southside Branch, 400 Webster St. Call 610 867-7852 or visit [www.bapl.org/southside/ssprograms.htm](http://www.bapl.org/southside/ssprograms.htm).

Conversational Spanish classes, 5 to 6 p.m. Bethlehem Area Public Library's Southside Branch, 400 Webster St. Free, open to the public; registration required. Visit [www.bapl.org/southside/ssprograms.htm](http://www.bapl.org/southside/ssprograms.htm) or call 610-867-7852 to register.

Homework Help free, 4 to 6 p.m. Grades K - 12 with any subject. No registration. Bethlehem Area Public Library, near teen area in main library, 11 W. Church St. Visit [www.bapl.org/youth/ysprograms/](http://www.bapl.org/youth/ysprograms/) or call 610 867-3761.

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**Saturday, Jan. 23**

Computer Workshops for Adults, 1 to 3 p.m. Basic internet navigation skills. Bethlehem Area Public Library's Southside Branch, 400 Webster St. Registration required; visit [www.bapl.org](http://www.bapl.org) or call 610-867-7852.

**Sunday, Jan. 24**

Hellertown author Larry Deibert will be signing copies of his books, "Family" and "The Life of Riley", from 1 to 3 p.m. on Jan. 24 at the Moravian Book Store, 428 Main St. For information, visit [www.moravianbookstore.com](http://www.moravianbookstore.com) or call 610-866-5481.

Lepoco: "Pipeline to Prison Learning Tour: A Report" by Sheila Clever. Potluck 6 p.m.; program 6:30 p.m. Peace Center, 313 W. Fourth St. Call 610-691-8730 for information.

**Tuesday, Jan. 26**

Salvation Army, Calling All Bridge players program, for seniors 50 and up, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681.

**Wednesday, Jan. 27**

Free babies/toddlers story time for all ages, 10:30 a.m. Bethlehem Area Public Library, main library, 11 W. Church St. No registration needed. Call 610-867-3761, ext. 499 or visit [www.bapl.org/southside/ssprograms.htm](http://www.bapl.org/southside/ssprograms.htm).

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Say you saw it in the Bethlehem Press

# Rob Melosky to lead commission

New member Stellato tdownplays Ronca/city staff communications

BY BERNIE O'HARE  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Before he stepped down as chair of Bethlehem's Planning Commission at its Jan. 14 meeting, Attorney Jim Fiorentino invited Mayor Bob Donchez and Community and Economic Development Director Alicia Karner to appear and explain the "exact nature" of their discussions with Martin Tower developer Lew Ronca. But neither Donchez nor Karner accepted.

In an email, Donchez said he already disclosed the "exact nature" of that relationship in numerous documents that he previously provided in both a news conference and at a subsequent

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city council meeting. Fiorentino, who saw those documents, chided the administration for failing to be completely honest.

Planning Director Darlene Heller, who serves as secretary to the planning commission, defended her role. "I don't think we tried in any way to hide the fact that we were talking to developers," she said. "You could have told us the full story about the developer's intent," responded Fiorentino.

In December, Fiorentino canceled a planning commission meeting when this reporter revealed that there had

been detailed communications between Ronca and city staffers before the city proposed zoning changes at the 52-acre Martin Tower site. This was learned as a result of a Right-to-Know request.

Louis Stellato, a former city council member who voted for these zoning changes and was appointed to the planning commission earlier this month, dismissed Fiorentino's concerns about process.

"I don't know how many more times we have to count the chads, the issue is done," Stellato said.

Except it isn't. Beth-

lehem City Council has been sued in a land use appeal, alleging defects in the referrals to the Planning Commission.

After this discussion, Fiorentino nominated Rob Melosky to succeed him. Melosky, a Nazareth teacher, is offensive coordinator for Central Catholic's football program. Melosky was elected unanimously.

Matthew Malozi, a manager at engineering and planning firm RETTEW, was unanimously elected vice chair.

Heller, despite the earlier squabble, was unanimously retained as the planning commission's secretary.

# Planners: 'Boyd blighted'

BY BERNIE O'HARE  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Though Bethlehem's Boyd Theatre was recently sold for \$1.35 million, the city planning commission has added it to its roster of blighted properties. Chief Building Inspector Craig Hynes made the recommendation at the commission's Jan. 14 meeting after noting the property, located at 30-40 West Broad St., has been vacant for four to six years.

A leaking roof forced the city to close three businesses located at the site. Hynes said a blighted designation might provide a loan advantage to its new owner.

That new owner is Bethlehem-Boyd

LP. The members of this limited partnership include Charles C. Jefferson, a prominent real estate investor from Philadelphia and Duane A. Wagner, a Lehigh Valley real estate advisor. The property was transferred on New Year's Eve and is encumbered by a \$1.18 million mortgage to People's Security Bank and Trust.

Interestingly, Wagner is also associated with developer Lewis Ronca, and was involved in much of the communication with Bethlehem city staffers that led to a new zoning ordinance at the Martin Tower site.

It has been speculated that city officials were willing to give Martin

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PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE  
Bethlehem's Boyd Theatre first opened in 1921 and has been closed since 2011.

## VIEW

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Wolf in his initial budget to correct the egregious overpayments districts are mandated to make to cyber charter schools. Impact: + \$270,000 to BASD

Proposal #4 - Reinstate the charter tuition reimbursement to districts that was part of the original funding

plan for charter schools and eliminated in Governor Corbett's first budget. Impact: + \$5 million to BASD

Proposal #5 - Reduce the PSERS rate collar to 2.5 percent as proposed in Senate Bill 1082. Impact: + \$2 million to

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**Josephine M. Benko**

Sokols member

Josephine M. Benko, 88, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 1, 2016, at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg Campus. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Stephen and Helen (Kasenech) Barback. She was the wife of the late Rudolph E. Benko.

She was a sewing machine operator at Chickadee Manufacturing Company and worked for Champion Spark Plug for two years. She taught cooking at the Bethlehem Girls Club.

She was a former member of St. John's Capistrano, Sacred Heart and Notre Dame Catholic churches. She was a member of the Catholic Slovak Sokols.

She is survived by two sons, Rudy E. Jr. and his wife Judith of Bethlehem and Stephen

G. and his wife Mary Beth of Westminster, Md.; two daughters, Carol Ann Benko-Meyer of Portage, Ind. and Rebecca and her husband Chris Jones of Bethlehem; 10 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by two brothers, Peter and Stephen Barback; five sisters, Anna Krajci, Helen Posavek, Rose Svajko, Mary Zebrowski and Theresa Sandor; and a son-in-law, Charles Meyer.

Contributions may be made to Incarnation of Our Lord Parish, 617 Pierce St., Bethlehem, Pa. 18015, or to Lutheran Manor, 2085 Westgate Dr., Bethlehem, Pa. 18017.

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

**Mary Jane Brehm**

data collector

Mary Jane Brehm, 85, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 1, 2016, at Country Meadows. Born in Troy, N.Y., she was a daughter of the late Carl and Mary (Barnes) Miller. She was the wife of the late Joseph H. Brehm.

She worked in data collection and coding for Statistical Research, Westfield, N.J., from 1979 to 1988. She was a parishioner of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Bethlehem, where she was a member of the fellowship club.

She is survived by two daughters, Mary

Ellen and her husband Michael Raposa of Bethlehem and Maureen E. and her husband Bob Fringer of Westfield; and five grandchildren, Daniel, Elizabeth and Rosemary Raposa and Thomas and Patrick Fringer.

She was predeceased by two brothers, Carl and William Miller.

Contributions may be made to the church and/or Last Chance Ranch, 9 Beck Road, Quakertown, PA 18951.

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

**Louis J. Yob**

mail carrier

Louis J. Yob, 83, of Hanover Township, died Jan. 4, 2016, at St. Luke's University Hospital-Fountain Hill.

Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Granville and Anna (Wicenza) Yob. He was the husband of Helen (Stern) Yob for 41 years. He was in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War.

He was a rural mail carrier for 31 years with the U.S. Postal Service until he retired in 1987.

He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Fountain Hill. He was a member

of the Freemansburg American Legion.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Louis A. and his wife Karen of Bethlehem and Brian J. of Allentown; a brother, Gerald and his wife Doris Yob of Freemansburg; and three grandchildren, Anthony, Erin and Allison Yob.

Contributions may be made to the American Lung Association, P. O. Box 4029, Easton, PA 18043-4029.

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**Earl J. Marks Jr.**

30 year employee

Earl J. Marks Jr., 84, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 8, 2016. Born in Fountain Hill, he was a son of the late Amelia (Klausser) and Earl J. Marks Sr. He was the husband of Dolores (Vargo) Marks for 54 years.

He was in the U.S. Air Force.

He worked at the Bethlehem Steel Company for 30 years.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Earl J. III and

his wife Sherri of Jacksonville, Fla. and Robert J. and his wife Allison Marks of Bethlehem; a granddaughter, Alicia; and a sister, Shirley Pooley.

Contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, P.O. Box 96011, Washington, D.C. 20090-6011.

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**Barbara A. DeLazaro**

L.U., VIA employee

Barbara A. DeLazaro, 72, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 5, 2016. Born in Jacksonville, Fla., she was a daughter of Anne (Gombosi) Brandafi and the late Stephen J. Brandafi. She was the wife of the late Robert D. DeLazaro for 49 years.

She was an administrative assistant for Lehigh University for 33 years and most recently for Via of the Lehigh Valley.

In addition to her mother, she is survived

by two daughters, Susan and Ann and her spouse Annette Potemski; a grandson, Odin; two sisters, Maureen Brandafi Cort and Nancy Brandafi Thomas; nieces; and nephews.

Contributions may be made to Via of the Lehigh Valley, c/o Marianne Bear, 336 W. Spruce St., Bethlehem, PA 18018. Arrangements were made by Connell Funeral Home Inc., Bethlehem.

**Charles R. Kunsman**

sheet metal shop worker

Charles R. Kunsman, 80, of Hanover Township, died Jan. 2, 2016, in Luke's Hospice House, Bethlehem. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Harry and Helen (Sipple) Kunsman.

He was in the U.S. Army in Germany during the Korean War.

He worked in the safety and sheet metal shops at Bethlehem Steel Corp. for 32 years until he retired in 1987. He worked in the maintenance department and was a doorman at the Holiday Inn, Bethlehem.

He was a member of the former Trinity U.C.C. Church, Freemansburg.

In addition to his former wife, Jo-Ann

(Alfonso) Kunsman of Freemansburg, he is survived by two daughters, Sherry L. and her husband Paul Flanagan and Sandra Lee Kunsman, all of Bethlehem; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by two sons, David M. Kunsman and Charles "Peanuts" R. Kunsman Jr.; a stepson, Walter Alfonso; a brother, Harry Kunsman; and a sister, June Nagy.

Contributions may be made to St. Luke's Hospice, Development Office, 801 Ostrum St., Bethlehem, PA 18015.

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

**William Polak**

rigger; Leamon owner

William Polak, 82, of Lower Saucon Township, died Jan. 2, 2016. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Stephen and Anna (Onda) Polak. He was the husband of Grace (Cervellini) Polak for 58 years.

He was a graduate of Bethlehem Vo-Tech. He was in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

He was a rigger at the Bethlehem Steel Corp. He was the owner and operator of Leamon Roofing and Sheet Metal Inc.

He was a parishioner of Incarnation of Our Lord Parish, formerly Sts. Cyril and Methodius.

In addition his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Jayne Ann

and her husband, James Bergeman of Coopersburg; two sons, David W. of Bethlehem and Matthew and his wife Alexandra of Coral Gables, Fla.; and four grandchildren, Julia Leigh and Nicholas James Bergeman and Emma Marina and Isabella Grace Polak.

He was predeceased by a sister, Margaret Baron; and three brothers, John, Stephen and George Polak.

Contributions may be made to the church and/or School Sisters of St. Francis, 395 Bridle Path Road, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

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**Nancy (James) Hrkach**

steel escort, LHS worker

Nancy (James) Hrkach, 86, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 9, 2016, at Saucun Valley Manor, Hellertown. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late David and Mildred (Enstrom) James. She was the wife of the late Frank Hrkach.

She was a 1947 Liberty HS graduate.

She was an escort for Bethlehem Steel Corporation. She later worked in food service at Liberty HS.

She is survived by a daughter Sue and her husband Mark Gradney of Novato, Calif.; two sons, Frank and his wife

Betty of Northampton and John and his wife Susan of Bethlehem; and five grandchildren, Wendy and Jody Hrkach, Douglas Kondor and Sara and Benjamin Hrkach.

She was predeceased by two daughters Ann Oldham and Patricia Kondor; and a sister, Betty Ciaffardini.

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Tower favorable zoning in exchange for Ronca's agreement to transfer a CRIZ designation for a portion of his 52-acre development. That CRIZ designation enables Ronca to use state sales and income taxes to finance development.

At a December news conference, Mayor Bob Donchez specifically denied that there was deal to give Ronca forable zoning in exchange for a few CRIZ acres.

The theatre was opened in 1921 and became known as The Boyd Theatre in 1934. It has been closed since 2011.

Under Pennsylvania law, a blight designation is the first step in a long process that could lead to taking over the property.

Other properties declared blighted by the planning commission are 1515 East Sixth St., 635 Fifth Ave., 816 East Fifth St., 704 Wyandotte St. and 3681 Township Line Road.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**Thursday, Jan. 21**

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

**Monday, Jan. 25**

BASD regular board, 7 p.m. auditorium, East Hills, 2205 Chester Road.  
Bethlehem Township Planning Commission, 6 p.m., municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.  
Northampton Co. Gaming Revenue and Economic Redevelopment meeting, 5:30 p.m. third floor, room 3116, Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

**Tuesday, Jan. 26**

Saucon Valley School Board, 7 p.m. Audion building, 2097 Polk Valley Road.  
Mayor's South Side Task Force, 4 p.m. Fowler Family Center, 511 E. Third St.

**Wednesday, Jan. 27**

City of Bethlehem Parking Authority, 4:30 p.m., 85 W. North St.  
City of Bethlehem Zoning Hearing Board, 7 p.m. (time change), 10 E. Church St.  
Lehigh Co. Commissioners, 7:30 p.m. Public hearing room, Gov't. Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.  
Bethlehem Township Zoning Board, 7 p.m. municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.

*The Bethlehem Press calendar listings are, to the best of our knowledge, correct at the time of printing. We are not responsible for the accuracy or reliability of information submitted by external parties.*

**COLLEGE NOTES**

**Northampton Community College Black History Month events**

All events will be held in the college center on the main campus:

Preserving the Dream: Photographs of the King Family by Thomas J. Shillea, NCC director of art programs, at NCC, will show and discuss his photographic portraits of Coretta Scott King and his informal photographs of King and her son Dexter King at 11 a.m. Jan. 21 in room 220.

The State of Racism/White Supremacy in a Post-Civil Rights Era with speaker Kamau Kenyatta, NCC adjunct professor of history, at 11 a.m. Feb. 4 in room 220.

Voices of Black History: A student panel will discuss important people and events in black history at 11 a.m. Feb. 18 in room 146.

There will be a book discussion about "The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness" on Feb. 23 in the library conference room.

A student debate with the topic, "Should most drugs now be legalized, given that the war on drugs has failed and resulted in mass incarcerations in the black community" is set for 11 a.m. Feb. 25 in room 220. All events are free and open to the public. For more information, call 610-861-5300 or visit [www.northampton.edu](http://www.northampton.edu).

*Northampton Community College's main campus is located at 3835 Green Pond Road. The Fowler Family Southside Center is located at 511 E. Third St. For more information, contact NCC at 610-861-5300 or 1-877-543-0998 or visit [www.northampton.edu](http://www.northampton.edu).*

**Lehigh University Bradley this year's Kenner speaker Feb. 2**

The free, open to the public 2016 Kenner Lecture will be held at 8 p.m. Feb. 2 at the Zoellner Arts Center, Lehigh University. The speaker is former Senator Bill Bradley, who will be discussing his book, "We Can All Do Better."

There will be a book signing following the lecture. For more information, contact the Office of Interdisciplinary Programs, 610-758-3996 or email [incasip@lehigh.edu](mailto:incasip@lehigh.edu).  
*Lehigh University is located at 27 Memorial Drive West. For more information, call 610-758-3000 or visit [www.lehigh.edu](http://www.lehigh.edu).*



**First snow light snow**

PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN

A light coating of the winter's first snow during the early evening of Jan. 12 creates a wintry urban scene in an alley of northeast Bethlehem. Weather authorities reported a snowfall of about a quarter inch.

In the early evening Jan. 12 frosty flakes coated the ground but were not enough to cause major traffic problems or close schools. The unseasonably mild winter returned briefly as the thermometer climbed to near 50 degrees

several days later. By this time last year, around eight inches of snow had fallen on the way to a season total of seven feet, nine inches, according to Accuweather.



**Bundled up** Karen Hottenstein walks home along New Street from the Bethlehem Area Library area during the brief snowfall. "It's beautiful," said the Bethlehem resident who was well prepared with layers of clothing, her favorite scarf and winter hat. She said that when it snows during January, her birthday month, she considers it "a special gift."



**Winter's first snow** catches some Bethlehem residents by surprise. Melanie Dancho and her son Justin Buskirk, on his mother's bicycle, head home on snow-covered sidewalks to the Southside. They were visiting friends in northeast Bethlehem.



**Lee Ann Cardona** sweeps her sidewalk clear with ease. "I hope this is it for the winter. I can handle it," said the Maple Street resident.

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**BRIEFLY**

**BETHLEHEM**

Homeless vets fair Jan. 21

The Lehigh Valley Homeless Veterans Task Force will hold a resource fair from 2 to 7 p.m. at the veterans sanctuary, 24 S. Fifth St., Allentown.

There will be an announcement about the new Lehigh Valley Homeless Veterans Resource Hotline program.

The event will assist veterans and their families with connecting to resources on community agencies, food, clothing, toiletries, cold weather gear, VA medical services, SSVF providers, and utility assistance. Donations were provided by West Side Hammer Electric and others.

**BEEKEEPERS**

Intro course begins Feb. 3

The Lehigh Valley Beekeepers Association will hold a four-session "Introduction to Beekeeping" from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Feb. 3 and 17, and March 2 and 16.

All classes will be held in the Academic Resource Center (ARC) in rooms 103 and 111, Lehigh Carbon Community College, 4525 Education Park Drive, Schneeksville.

A registration fee includes a reference book, course materials, refreshments and planned field trips to the club apiary for hands-on experience.

Youth under the age of 16, accompanied by a registered adult, are invited to attend at a reduced fee.

Registration can also be processed by visiting the Association's website at <http://www.lehighvalleybeekeepers.org> or by contacting Blaine Holden, course coordinator, at [blaineholden@hotmail.com](mailto:blaineholden@hotmail.com) or 610-767-0306.



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

**Sue Sacks**, who owns the pet sitting service Snug at Home with her husband Michael, hands a \$1,050 donation to Bethlehem Police mounted patrolman Mike Leaser on his mount Grey at the Burnside Plantation. Sacks explained that the donation was comprised of contributions from her clients, whom she described as "the best clients in the world." With Leaser are mounted patrolmen Jason Holschwander on Asa and John Buskirk on Pharaoh.

**Coplay couple's donation helps mounted patrol**

Sue and Michael Sacks started their Coplay-based pet sitting business, Snug at Home, five years ago. For the last three years, they have raised funding that has benefited a special needs child and the police canine services in both Northampton and Whitehall. On Jan. 15, they made their

fourth donation, delivering a check for \$1,050 to the City of Bethlehem's police mounted patrol unit at their Burnside Plantation stable. Officers Mike Leaser, Jason Holschwander and John Buskirk accepted on behalf of the nonprofit Friends of the Bethlehem Mounted Police. Friends President Tom Tenges

also attended and noted the broad community support for the mounted patrol. Leaser thanked the Sacks and their clients for their generosity. The Sacks provide a broad range of pet sitting services throughout the Lehigh Valley and praised their clients for their contributions in support of the fundraiser.

**County avoids tapping \$50 M line of credit ... for now**

BY BERNIE O'HARE  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

In November, Northampton County Council approved an emergency ordinance authorizing the county to borrow as much as \$50 million so the county can continue providing human services

**NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**

during the state budget crisis. Fiscal Director Jim Hunter quickly cemented a line of credit with Lafayette Bank at under 2 percent, but he just might avoid having to tap into it.

At council's Jan. 7 meeting, Hunter told

council members that the county finished the year with about \$3 million available. But to meet a \$3.7 million payroll, as well as \$2.6 million in accounts payable, he expected that he would have to start borrowing that Wednesday. But on Tuesday, money from the state began to trick-

le in. That trickle became a cascade Jan. 13, with \$14.5 million from the state in just two days.

The state never sent word that the money was on its way. It just was suddenly there.

Whether this continues is anyone's guess. But as Hunter told council, "The note is in place if we need it."



## HEALTH & FITNESS

**How families can get up and go**

Families often look for fun things to do together, and few things are more fun than physical activity. Choosing activities that combine fun with physical activity is a great way to bond as a family and get healthy at the same time.


According to Let's Move!, an initiative launched by First Lady Michelle Obama to fight the problem of childhood obesity, children need 60 minutes of play with moderate to vigorous physical activity every day. Parents know it can sometimes be hard to get kids to disconnect from their devices long enough to get out and play. But Let's Move! notes that kids who are supported by their families or surrounded by others interested in physical activity are more likely to participate in such activities themselves. Families looking to get fit and grow closer can consider the following approaches to live healthier, more active lifestyles.

- Give gifts that encourage activity. Both youngsters and adults are enamored with the latest gadgets, but tablets and video game consoles won't do much to make families more physically active. In lieu of toys that promote sedentary lifestyles, give kids toys that encourage physical activity. Erect a basketball hoop in the driveway or go buy new bicycles for the whole family, resolving to go for a nightly ride together.
- Restrict TV time. Establish house rules regarding how many hours of television kids and adults can watch each day. Kids will follow their parents' lead with regard to how much television they watch, so parents should be mindful of their own viewing habits, resisting the temptation to plop down on the couch for several hours each night. Don't turn on the television at night until the whole family has engaged in some physical activity.
- Walk or ride bikes to run errands. When running errands in town, take the kids along and walks or ride bicycles rather than drive. This is a great time for families to catch up, and walking or riding a bicycle is great exercise for adults and kids alike.
- Schedule physical activities for the weekends. When planning weekends, parents can schedule a physical activity for the whole family. Make time to go hiking at a nearby park or schedule a family basketball game in the driveway. Such activities are healthy, and they don't have to cost a lot of money, either.

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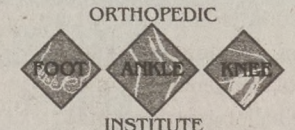
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Registration is now open for YWCA Bethlehem's 42nd annual Great Decisions Foreign Policy Lectures Series, which begins Feb. 3 and continues through March 23.

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. Topics this year include The Rise of Isis, Climate Change and Migration.

The Great Decisions lectures will take place Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Kirkland Village Auditorium: One Kirkland Circle, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

Parking is available behind First Presbyterian Church at 2344 Center St., Bethlehem.

Registration and payment are due by Jan. 15.

Please visit [www.ywcaBethlehem.org](http://www.ywcaBethlehem.org) or call 610-867-4669 x101 for more information.

**BETHLEHEM**

BAPL book sale set for Feb. 3, 6

The Bethlehem Area Public Library will hold the year's first book sale from noon to 8 p.m. on Feb. 3 and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Feb. 6 at the main branch, 11 W. Church St.

The sale, which benefits the library, will include a recently donated selection of classic western and other DVDs as well as books, music and movies.

Most debit and credit cards are accepted. For more information, visit [www.bestbooksale.org](http://www.bestbooksale.org) or phone 610-867-3761, ext. 235.

**LVSG**

Storytelling series begins Feb. 7

The Lehigh Valley Storytelling Guild's 2016 Children's Storytelling Series, for all age children, will be held on Feb. 7 and 21, March 6 and 20 and April 3 at Godfrey Daniels, 7 E. Fourth St.

Cops'n'Kids will hand out books at all events.

There is a cost. For information, visit <http://booksnstories.blogspot.com>.

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**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF PENNSYLVANIA**

The following are true and correct copies of joint resolutions of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania proposing two amendments to the Constitution of Pennsylvania. Consistent with the procedures prescribed by Article XI, Section 1 of the Constitution, the General Assembly first proposed the amendments during the 2013 session and approved them for a second time during the 2015 session of the legislature. As required by Article XI, Section 1 of the Constitution and statutory law, the Secretary of the Commonwealth has caused the proposed amendments to be published here.

Pursuant to law, the Secretary of the Commonwealth will submit the proposed amendments to the electors of Pennsylvania in the form of two ballot questions at the General Primary to be held on April 26, 2016. If a ballot question is approved by a majority of electors voting on it, the corresponding amendment becomes part of the Constitution.

Those parts of the joint resolutions that appear in **bold print** are the words of the Constitution that are proposed by the General Assembly for addition or deletion. If an amendment were approved, the words underlined would be added to the Constitution and the words in brackets (e.g., [**Constitution**]) would be deleted. The unbolded words would remain unchanged in the Constitution.

Following the proposed amendments is the text of the questions that will be placed on the ballot. Below each question is a "Plain English Statement" prepared by the Office of Attorney General, and published as required by law, indicating the purpose, limitations and effects of the ballot question upon the people of this Commonwealth.

Anyone who needs help reading this advertisement or who needs the text of the proposed amendments in an alternative format may call or write the Pennsylvania Department of State, Bureau of Commissions, Elections and Legislation, Room 210 North Office Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120, (717) 787-5280, ra-BCEL@pa.gov.

Pedro A. Cortés, Secretary of the Commonwealth

**JOINT RESOLUTION 2015-1**

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for compensation and retirement of justices, judges and justices of the peace.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby resolves as follows:

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with Article XI:

That section 16(b) of Article V be amended to read:

§ 16. Compensation and retirement of justices, judges and justices of the peace.

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(b) Justices, judges and justices of the peace shall be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of **[70] 75** years. Former and retired justices, judges and justices of the peace shall receive such compensation as shall be provided by law. Except as provided by law, no salary, retirement benefit or other compensation, present or deferred, shall be paid to any justice, judge or justice of the peace who, under section 18 or under Article VI, is suspended, removed or barred from holding judicial office for conviction of a felony or misconduct in office or conduct which prejudices the proper administration of justice or brings the judicial office into disrepute.

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Section 2. (a) Upon the first passage by the General Assembly of this proposed constitutional amendment, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of this proposed constitutional amendment.

(b) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of this proposed constitutional amendment, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of this proposed constitutional amendment. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall submit this proposed constitutional amendment to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth at the first primary, general or municipal election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and which occurs at least three months after the proposed constitutional amendment is passed by the General Assembly.

**PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 1  
AMENDING THE MANDATORY JUDICIAL  
RETIREMENT AGE**

**Ballot Question**

Shall the Pennsylvania Constitution be amended to require that justices of the Supreme Court, judges and justices of the peace (known as magisterial district judges) be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years, instead of the current requirement that they be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 70?

**Plain English Statement of the Office of  
Attorney General**

The purpose of the ballot question is to amend the Pennsylvania Constitution to require that justices, judges and justices of the peace (known as magisterial district judges) be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years.

Presently, the Pennsylvania Constitution provides that justices, judges and justices of the peace be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 70 years. Justices of the peace are currently referred to as magisterial district judges.

If the ballot question were to be approved, justices, judges and magisterial district judges would be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years rather than the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 70 years.

This amendment to the mandatory retirement age would be applicable to all judges and justices in the Commonwealth, including the justices of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, judges of the Commonwealth Court, Superior Court, county courts of common pleas, community courts, municipal courts in the City of Philadelphia, and magisterial district judges.

The ballot question is limited in that it would not amend any other provisions of the Pennsylvania Constitution related to the qualification, election, tenure, or compensation of the justices, judges or magisterial district judges.

The effect of the ballot question would be to allow all justices, judges, and magisterial district judges to remain in office until the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years. This would permit all justices, judges, and magisterial district judges to serve an additional five years beyond the current required retirement age.

**JOINT RESOLUTION 2015-2**

Proposing integrated amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, eliminating the Traffic Court of Philadelphia.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby resolves as follows:

Section 1. The following integrated amendments to the Constitution of Pennsylvania are proposed in accordance with Article XI:

(1) That section 1 of Article V be amended to read:

§ 1. Unified judicial system.

The judicial power of the Commonwealth shall be vested in a unified judicial system consisting of the Supreme Court, the Superior Court, the Commonwealth Court, courts of common pleas, community courts, municipal [**and traffic**] courts in the City of Philadelphia, such other courts as may be provided by law and justices of the peace. All courts and justices of the peace and their jurisdiction shall be in this unified judicial system.

(2) That the heading and subsection (c) of section 6 of Article V be amended to read:

§ 6. Community courts; Philadelphia Municipal Court [**and Traffic Court**].

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(c) In the City of Philadelphia there shall be a municipal court [**and a traffic court**]. The number of judges and the jurisdiction [**of each**] shall be as provided by law. [**These courts**] **This court** shall exist so long as a community court has not been established or in the event one has been discontinued under this section.

(3) That subsection (d) of section 10 of Article V be amended to read:

§ 10. Judicial administration.

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(d) The Chief Justice and president judges of all courts with seven or less judges shall be the justice or judge longest in continuous service on their respective courts; and in the event of his resignation from this position the justice or judge next longest in continuous service shall be the Chief Justice or president judge. The president judges of all other courts shall be selected for five-year terms by the members of their respective courts, **except that the president judge of the traffic court in the City of Philadelphia shall be appointed by the Governor**. A Chief Justice or president judge may resign such position and remain a member of the court. In the event of a tie vote for office of president judge in a court which elects its president judge, the Supreme Court shall appoint as president judge one of the judges receiving the highest number of votes.

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(4) That subsection (b) of section 12 of Article V be amended to read:

§ 12. Qualifications of justices, judges and justices of the peace.

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(b) [**Judges of the traffic court in the City of Philadelphia and justices**] **Justices** of the peace shall be members of the bar of the Supreme Court or shall complete a course of training and instruction in the duties of their respective offices and pass an examination prior to assuming office. Such courses and examinations shall be as provided by law.

(5) That subsection (a) of section 15 of Article V be amended to read:

§ 15. Tenure of justices, judges and justices of the peace.

(a) The regular term of office of justices and judges shall be ten years and the regular term of office for judges of the municipal court [**and traffic court**] in the City of Philadelphia and of justices of the peace shall be six years. The tenure of any justice or judge shall not be affected by changes in judicial districts or by reduction in the number of judges.

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Section 2. (a) Upon the first passage by the General Assembly of these proposed constitutional amendments, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of these proposed constitutional amendments.

(b) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of these proposed constitutional amendments, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of these proposed constitutional amendments. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall submit the proposed constitutional amendments under section 1 of this resolution to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth as a single ballot question at the first primary, general or municipal election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and which occurs at least three months after the proposed constitutional amendments are passed by the General Assembly.

**PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 2  
ABOLITION OF THE PHILADELPHIA TRAFFIC COURT**

**Ballot Question**

Shall the Pennsylvania Constitution be amended to abolish the Philadelphia Traffic Court?

**Plain English Statement of the Office of Attorney General**

The purpose of the ballot question is to amend the Pennsylvania Constitution to abolish the Traffic Court in the City of Philadelphia.

Presently, the Pennsylvania Constitution provides for the Traffic Court in the City of Philadelphia as part of the unified judicial system. If the ballot question were to be approved, the Traffic Court in the City of Philadelphia would be abolished by removing all references to the Traffic Court and the judges of the Traffic Court in the City of Philadelphia from the Pennsylvania Constitution.

Legislation enacted in 2013 transferred the functions performed by the Traffic Court to the Philadelphia Municipal Court. As a result, violations of the Vehicle Code previously adjudicated by the Traffic Court are presently being adjudicated by the Philadelphia Municipal Court. The proposed amendment would officially abolish the Traffic Court by removing all references to the Traffic Court and its judges from the Pennsylvania Constitution.

This ballot question is limited to whether the Traffic Court in the City of Philadelphia should be abolished. The ballot question would not amend any other provisions of the Pennsylvania Constitution beyond the removal of all references to the Traffic Court and its judges.

The effect of the ballot question would be to abolish the Traffic Court in the City of Philadelphia. As discussed above, legislation enacted in 2013 transferred the functions of the Traffic Court to the Philadelphia Municipal Court. This amendment would officially abolish the Traffic Court by removing all references to the Traffic Court and its judges from the Pennsylvania Constitution.

# PennEast drilling monitored; moths will make comeback

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI  
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"It's definitely a work in progress," said board President John Tallarico Jan. 14, speaking briefly about ongoing meetings with representatives of the PennEast Pipeline. As the proposed natural gas pipeline will cross a number of watershed properties owned by the authority, the issue is of intense importance and scrutiny where Bethlehem's drinking water is involved.

Tallarico said the authority and PennEast Company have maintained an open dialog and the group has been very responsive and cooperative.

Maser Engineering consultant Ron Madison

## WATER AUTHORITY

is monitoring PennEast's current work drilling holes and testing for the placement of the pipe around or under existing obstacles. One obstacle is existing water transmission lines; another is Beltzville Lake.

Madison said two of three holes have been dug, south of the lake and north of Wire Ridge Tunnel, thus far without any damage to the environment.

Authority Executive Director Steve Repasch said seismic testing indicates the rock substrata may be well-suited for placing the pipe underground - or in this case under lake.

The board was also given an update on 2015's numer-

ous woodland management programs by Forester Rob Wildermuth. While successful, safe and on-track in thinnings, controlled burns and other maintenance efforts, he said the surge of gypsy moths last spring will likely have an even greater impact this year.

Last year 245 acres were doused with an organic spray to combat a rising moth larvae population which posed a threat of massive defoliation in the Wild Creek area. While it was helpful, Wildermuth said, it suffered because the warm, dry weather was a perfect incubator for the young moths.

This year, he said,

though it's hard to predict outcomes based on weather, he's chosen 650 acres most likely to suffer the most from the bugs if not sprayed again. Wildermuth said leaving the affected areas to their fate could result in tremendous loss of trees and even have more serious ecological ramifications to the water supply itself, as has happened elsewhere in the past. "We're in a game of taking chances here," he said.

Repasch said \$32,500 has been budgeted for a spraying this spring, probably in the third week of May, which is when the moth larvae are most vulnerable to attack.

The next meeting is scheduled for 4 p.m. Feb. 11 at city hall.

## 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](http://www.healthyanimalcenter.org).



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**EQUI-LIBRIUM, INC.**, Nazareth, a nonprofit organization that provides therapeutic horsemanship activities for people with disabilities, needs volunteers (18+ years) to help with ongoing outdoor maintenance. Contact Yvonne Darlington, 610-365-2266, [volunteercordinator@equi-librium.org](mailto:volunteercordinator@equi-librium.org).

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY LV RESTORE**, Whitehall, will be re-mixing latex paint to create new recolor latex paint product for sale at its ReStore. Volunteers are needed to assist with sorting colors, opening paint cans, mixing paint, dispensing new paint, and labeling cans. Contact Camille Urbano, 610-776-7737, [Camille@habitatlv.org](mailto:Camille@habitatlv.org).

**MEALS ON WHEELS OF LEHIGH COUNTY**, Allentown, needs volunteers (18+ years) to deliver meals to homebound clients by either driving a route or taking meals in to the clients. Contact Dawn Stillwagen, 610-398-2563, [dstillwagen@mealsonwheelslc.org](mailto:dstillwagen@mealsonwheelslc.org).

**PINEBROOK FAMILY ANSWERS**, Allentown - Compeer of the Lehigh Valley is always in need of adult volunteers to match in one-on-one friendships with adults in mental health recovery. Contact Vicky Conte, 610-774-1450, [vconte@pbfalv.org](mailto:vconte@pbfalv.org).

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**TABOR SERVICES, INC.**, Bethlehem and Allentown, is seeking volunteers to join the team of mentors for Lehigh County children. Contact Nykea Alvarez-Macey, 610-739-0524, [Nykea.alvarez-macey@tabor.org](mailto:Nykea.alvarez-macey@tabor.org).

**UNITED WAY OF THE GREATER LEHIGH VALLEY**, Allentown, is in search of a social media intern or office volunteer (age 18+ years) to assist with social media campaigns. Contact Mary Terp, 610-807-5712, [MaryT@unitedwaylv.org](mailto:MaryT@unitedwaylv.org).

# Local Sands leads state in casino revenue

BY BERNIE O'HARE  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Bethlehem Sands led all Pennsylvania casinos in table games revenue, according to a report released by the

state gaming board. It raked in \$214 million, which is a 13.4 percent jump over the previous year. Overall, Pennsylvania's casinos generated over \$3.1 billion in

revenue last year, the most money since casinos began operations in 2006.

Slots machine reve-

nue at the Sands generated \$299 million, a 6.6 percent increase over 2014. Sands finished second among 12 casinos in slots revenue.

The Sands was also fined \$36,000 for three instances last August in which persons under age 21 gained access to the gambling floor and gambled.

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**The Sin of Despising God**

God told the complaining Israelites in the wilderness that He was going to give them what they wanted—meat for “even a whole month, until it come out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome unto you; because that ye have despised the Lord” (Numbers 11:20). To despise is “to disdain or look down on.” They despised God when they complained about the manna that He was daily miraculously giving them when they should have been thanking God for His provision! They belittled God when they should have been magnifying God! “O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together” (Psalms 34:3). Just as a magnifying glass lets us see things larger than we normally see them, we need magnification of all aspects of God's character to compensate for our limited human view and small perception of an almighty God! That's why we need to prayerfully and daily read the word of God! The more of the greatness of God we see, the more we will want to magnify Him with thanks and praise!

We can be guilty of this sin by belittling and not believing His promises of the good things He has chosen for us. “They despised the pleasant land, they believed not his word” (Ps. 106:24).

We can be guilty of this sin by not highly regarding God's commands as did King David in his sin of adultery with Bathsheba in which God charged that he had “despised the commandment of the Lord” (2 Samuel 12:9). David's sin revealed his failure to value God's holy nature, as seen in God's accusation, “thou hast despised me” (v.10).

Don't be guilty of this sin by not valuing (and therefore not accepting) God's only means of salvation—Jesus Christ! “He is despised and rejected of men...he was despised, and we esteemed him not” (Isaiah 53:3).

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An area individual has drawn an investment from a very big name.

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▼ **THEY SAID IT**

**"In all honesty, that was probably the most satisfying dual meet win that I've ever experienced because it was such a quality team that we wrestled."**

Jeff Karam

Becahi head coach

▼ **BRIEFLY**

**LV ROAD RUNNERS**

The 2015-16 Lehigh Valley Road Runners Ice Scraper Winter Series 5K is set to begin at the end of the month. The first race took place Dec. 20 at the Lehigh Parkway at 10 a.m. The other remaining race dates are as follows: Feb. 21 and March 13.

Registration for the event opened on Nov. 1 and costs \$10 per race or \$35 for the complete four-race series. It is free for LVRR club members.

Interested participants may also register on the day of the race in between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m.

If there are any questions, contact Leslie Billowitch (lbillowitch@gmail.com) or Loreta Dodson (ldodson@ptd.net).

# Becahi tops Bergen; falls to Blair

BY PETER CAR  
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It may have only been a weekend dual-meet tournament, but Bethlehem Catholic's performance at FLO Wrestling's Who's #1 Duals at the Palestra on Saturday will be a day the Golden Hawk faithful will always remember.

The Hawks reached Saturday evening's finals only to lose to national power Blair Academy 36-18, but that didn't take anything away from the morning

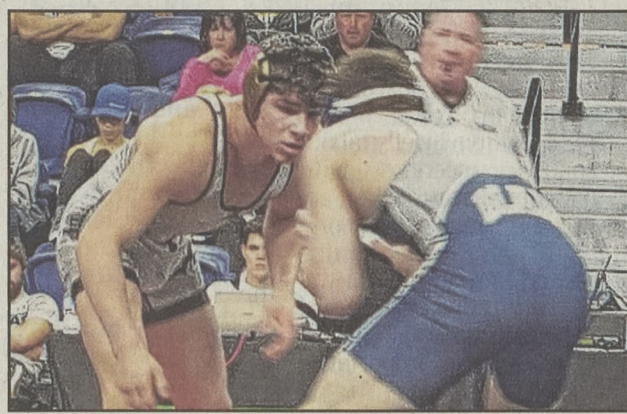
the Golden Hawks experienced following their 28-26 upset win over Bergen Catholic, the second ranked team in the country by InterMat's rankings.

The Hawks (10-1) came away with the historic win over one of New Jersey's most dominant programs thanks to Zach Glenn's (106) fall over Richard Halal in the final bout of the match to pull Becahi from the depths of a four-point deficit into stunning victors.

The win pushed the Hawks into Saturday's finale against Blair, which expectedly saw their New Jersey counterparts, who were ranked third by InterMat, come away with the championship.

But you could get a sense that the win over Bergen meant more and will undoubtedly be remembered and talked about for years.

"I would have traded at least one of our state championships for that See **HAWKS** on Page 11



PRESS PHOTO BY PETER CAR

Mikey Labriola (left) takes on Blair Academy's Brandon Dallavia during their 170-pound bout Saturday night. Labriola lost 1-0.

**BASKETBALL**



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Becahi's Anthony Jones and Liberty's Cameron Hoffman battle for the ball during the Hawks victory last weekend.

# Hawks hold keys

Looking for D-11 berth

BY PETER CAR  
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A five-point victory may seem like a major cushion for Bethlehem Catholic after the Golden Hawks closed out Saturday's 50-45 win over Liberty.

For Becahi (9-5, 6-4), the win over their city rival proved to be important on several fronts, but maybe the most important aspect of it was the Hawks ability to close out another tight contest.

Saturday's win over Liberty marked the first time in six games that the Hawks haven't played a contest that went down to the final possession. In their previous five games, four of them were one-point margins, while a 58-56 win over Nazareth last week was their largest cushion for a win since December 28.

All these close battles in the East Penn

Conference finally paid some dividends in their weekend win over Liberty, where the Hawks learned to close out.

"I think we're getting better with our ability to finish in the fourth quarter," said head coach Ray Barbosa, who has turned a three-win team from a year ago into a playoff contender. "These last five games that we played really helped us against Liberty because they're used to being in close games. It's taught them how to execute in the clutch."

Those lessons should help the Hawks down the stretch, as they look to cement their status as a district team this week with a three game slate, needing two wins to solidify a postseason berth.

Becahi traveled to Easton (5-9) on Tuesday and then host North Schuylkill (7-6) on See **BOYS** on Page 11

# Capuano hits 1,000 points

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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Maybe Maddie Capuano wasn't keeping exact count, but her Liberty High School family was, and on Jan. 14 at Whitehall High School, the Hurricane senior scored her 1,000th career point on a drive down the baseline during the Hurricanes game against the Zephyrs.

"It was awesome," Capuano said. "It's been behind me the whole season."

It was Liberty assistant coach, Terry Marcincin, who notified Capuano during a timeout in the fourth quarter that she was three points away from 1,000.

Liberty head coach Becky Soto said, "It was nice to be part of that experience and see it come to a head and share those moments. It was just a See **1,000** on Page 10



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Maddie Capuano was honored after reaching 1,000 points in her Liberty basketball career.



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Liberty's Torie Zerbe, left, and Becahi's Tessa Zamolyi battle for a loose ball during the final moments of their game last week.

# Liberty tops Becahi

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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The Liberty Hurricanes had their share of ups and downs last week, including Maddie Capuano's 1,000th career point and the Hurricanes' loss to Whitehall, so their 58-53 victory over Bethlehem Catholic on Saturday was a must-win in their eyes.

"We know they're the game," said Liberty's Taysia Snead. "Especially with our last two losses, we needed to be confident. We needed to win."

The Hurricanes made it look easy enough to start, because Kaylin West, Kristina Polak, and Abbie Zerbe were hitting threes in the

first quarter, aiding the Hurricanes in their 17-11 lead.

The Hawks were just getting started, however, with the consistent shooting of Tessa Zamolyi and Jordynn Jones. Becahi coach Jose Medina added Rebekah Recchio to the mix in the second quarter, and by halftime, it was the Hawks who had the lead 28-26.

Snead said, "At halftime, we focused on Jordynn Jones and how to make her shoot her jumper because she wasn't."

Coach Soto told the Hurricanes the rest of the game was up to them.

"I told them it's your

tempo, and you have to box out, and run the plays. I said that was your weakness, when people slow us down. It's hard when you get momentum and don't finish," Soto said.

Becahi's Morgan Orloski opened the third quarter with a three for the Hawks, but minutes later, the tide began to turn. Snead scored for the Hurricanes, and Capuano stole Becahi's inbound pass for two more points. Capuano had another steal and was fouled on her shot. West rebounded a Becahi miss, took it down court and passed to Capuano who was fouled again.

West said, "It's just See **GIRLS** on Page 10

SWIMMING

# LHS sweeps PME

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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Liberty High School's boys' swim team defeated Pocono Mountain East 92-73, and the Hurricane girls also defeated Pocono Mountain East 95-62 last week.

Kendra Smith, Jessica Becker, Theresa Cazarrubias, and Audrey Layne won the 200 medley relay in 2:06.49, and Jase Smith, Nolan Vanatta, Reid Rossi, and Robert Negron also won the medley relay in

1:41.64. Kay Wetmore and Christopher Chambers won the 200 free in 2:09.57 and 1:55.62, respectively. Jocelyn Baker placed first in the 200 IM in 2:21, as did Maggie Walters and Negron in the 50 free in 26.11 and 21.31, respectively.

Walters and Negron also won the 100 free. Walters's time was 57.55 and Negron's time was 49.26.

In the 100 butterfly, Kayla Drago took first place in 1:02.31, and Ros-

si placed first in 56.68. Sabrina Krotzer won the 500 free in 5:53.06.

Jase Smith, John Buttillo, Anthony Delcorso, and Negron came in first in the 200 free relay with a time of 1:34.65.

Taking first place in the 100 breaststroke were Jessica Becker in 1:14.63 and Vanatta in 1:02.40.

Julia Stisser, Emma Reilly, Kay Wetmore, and Anna Lehr were first in the 400 free relay in 4:30.68.

# Rovers defeat Pates

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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The Freedom Patriots had 13 first-place finishes in last week's swim meet against Easton, but it was the Red Rovers who won overall, 59-43 for the girls and 53-48 for the boys.

Colin Burnette, Brandon Burnette, Al J Bell, and Tyler Higgins won the boys' first event of the day, the 200 medley relay, in 1:49.82.

Raleigh Ellis and Higgins placed first in the

200 free with times of 2:09.00 and 1:54.57, respectively. Colin Burnette won the 200 IM in 2:13.48.

Madison Young won the diving event, scoring 228.75 points.

Andie Graney took first place in the 100 butterfly with a time of 1:13.88, and Reilly Ward placed first in the 100 free with a time of 59.71.

Two Patriot swimmers won the 500 free, Ellis with a time of 5:34.72 and Higgins with a time of 5:06.61.

Al J Bell, Brian Seitz, Nick Carbonaro, and Brandon Burnette out touched the Red Rovers to win the 200 free relay in 1:38.96.

Colin Burnette placed first in the 100 backstroke in 1:00.72, and Brandon Burnette won the 100 breaststroke in 1:08.30.

In the girls' final event of the day, Ward, Linda Mao, Alex Koehl, and Ellis took first place in the 400 free relay with a time of 4:18.65.

# 1,000

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matter of where."

Originally, Liberty's home game against Emmaus on Jan. 12 was a possibility, but by then, Capuano was 30 points away. Adding to the pressure at Whitehall was that the Liberty girls were trailing in the game.

"It's a lot of pressure," said Soto. "We talked, and I said the pressure's not on you. When that happens, we'll be there regardless."

Before the Bethlehem Catholic game this past Saturday evening, Capuano was honored at center court, joined by her parents, Michelle

and Lenny, coach Soto, and Liberty principal Harrison Bailey III, and was re-awarded the game ball.

Regarding her daughter's 1,000th point, Michelle Capuano said, "It was almost like a surreal moment. This year, that was her goal, and we said, that's gonna' be hard. I could tell, it was stressful for her. We're very proud. She is a great girl."

At the start of the season, Capuano was 270 points away from 1,000.

Lenny Capuano said, "She was determined. That's the way her mentality is. She doesn't get fazed. It's such a huge accomplishment."

Her father recalled his daughter's first game

in third grade, when she scored 30 points, and her coach had to tell her to stop shooting.

"All her hard work came to a conclusion," he said.

Maddie Capuano's older sister Nicole and younger brother Michael were also in attendance to witness her 1,000th point.

And even with all the confetti, balloons, and signs, Maddie Capuano is all about the Hurricanes.

"She's not just concerned with herself," Michelle Capuano said. "She's more about the team. As long as the girls win, that's what she's concerned about."

# GIRLS

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really frustrating, knowing what our team's capable of."

With a 40-36 Liberty lead to start the fourth quarter, another three by Orloski ultimately tied the game 44-44. At that point, Soto told her

players she was going to trust them.

Enter Liberty forward, Jackie Arthur, who converted on her own rebound, Polak, who converted on a Hurricane miss, and Torie Zerbe, who scored on a Snead assist after West saved a pass, and the Hurricanes were back

in the driver's seat.

Capuano said, "We just did a good job finding open players and being patient. We needed a big win here."

The Hurricanes are currently in the middle of another intense week, having played Freedom on Tuesday, past Press deadlines, with a game against Allen Friday.

"It was an emotional week, and now we're looking at the bigger picture," said Soto. "We're in the meat of the season. It's game time."



Jack Painter of Moravian Academy displays his Lehigh Valley Soccer Scholar Athlete male award with his coach and family. Coach Bob Hartman (left) and Jack's parents, Dorothy Penney and John "Jack" F. Painter of Center Valley, joined him for the award.



Co-winners of the Lehigh Valley Soccer Scholar Athletes top female award, Bridget Cerciello of Southern Lehigh and Annika Sundlof of Saucon Valley, hold their plaques. Bridget's mother Lori is to the left, while Debbie and John Sundlof, are at the right.

# Soccer scholar athletes named

BY C.J. HEMERLY  
Special to the Press

Soccer is considered worldwide as "the beautiful game."

Last Sunday night at the Northampton Community Center, soccer was the main attraction, albeit off the field.

Male and female Lehigh Valley high school scholar athletes were recognized, with a male and two females taking home the honors of the scholarship award.

When longtime Catasauqua Area High School head coach Trajano Bastidas was inducted into the Lehigh Valley Soccer Hall of Fame, he talked about his passion for the sport, and how he grew up around the game and gave the love of it to his three sons.

"Soccer is a great game, and one that you can play until you're 40 or 50 years old," Bastidas said. "I grew up not having enough money for even cleats, but I loved to play the game and was passionate



PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN

Frank Olszewski, emcee and president of the LV Soccer Scholar Athlete Foundation, poses with Trajano Bastidas, who holds his newly received LV Soccer Hall of Fame plaque for induction into the elite group of local soccer veterans.

about it, and I passed that down to my sons and every player I ever coached."

Bastidas told the student-athletes in attendance to carry on the tradition of passion of the game even after their high school careers are over.

And there was even something new that happened in the 30th annual Lehigh Valley Soccer Scholar Banquet.

Out of the 42 schools represented, Moravian Academy's Jonathan Painter took home the Frank D. Olszewski Memorial Scholarship award, and two females tied in voting, won the Gary F. Toth Scholarship award. Annika Sundlof of Saucon Valley and Southern Lehigh's Bridgett Cerciello were named the winners.

The Scholar-Athlete awards banquet was initiated in 1975 by the Lehigh Valley Soccer League, but featured only a boys award until girls varsity came into existence in 1992.

The nominees are selected jointly by their coaches and the school administration. The criteria utilized is 40-percent academic achievement, 40-percent athletic ability, and 20-percent extracurricular activities. Each candidate's credentials are then submitted to the Soccer Scholar Athlete Committee who decides the

overall winner. Painter helped lead a Lions team that finished the year with a 19-1-1 record and a District 11 A title.

"My parents have been a big part of my success," Painted stated. "Growing up they let me and my brother form a mini soccer field in the living room. They've just always been there and supported me."

Sundlof was a part of a Panthers team that went 15-3-1.

"Bridgett [Cerciello] and I actually played club soccer together, so it is really cool to share this award with her," Sundlof said. "It's an amazing honor to receive this award with how hard I've worked this year."

Cerciello's Spartans were 18-6 on the year.

"I really did not expect this," noted Cerciello. "There are so many great and deserving student-athletes out here, and to win this award is something I will never forget."

Lehigh Valley Press nominees were: Northampton - Lauren Sterner, Thomas Reinhard; Catasauqua - Noelle Nalbandian, Nathan Pontician; Whitehall - Jillian Kreglow, Ja Vaughn Hussett; Beahm - Rachel Willis, Matthew O. Shaffer; Freedom - Alex S. Thomas; Liberty - Michael P. Visperas and Cailey A. Sanchez.

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# Mark Cuban invests in local DFS player's company

BY PETER CAR  
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If you've ever experienced losing \$9,000 in one night, raise your hand slowly as you read that first sentence. For the majority of average citizens, dropping 9K in a couple of hours is about as foreign of a concept as is learning the Russian language.

For Jonathan Bales, however, it's nothing new.

The Brandywine native and current Philadelphia resident is an accomplished daily fantasy sports player nestled just over an hour away from the Lehigh Valley, but Bales may be quickly building himself up to more notoriety with the recent news of Mark Cuban, the billionaire-owner of the Dallas Mavericks, plans on investing in Fantasy Labs.

Bales, 30, who co-founded the daily sports analytics company with his friend Peter Jennings, has a website and format that Cuban, who has always been technologically savvy, has certainly taken a liking to.

Fantasy Labs (www.fan-

tasylabs.com) helps daily fantasy players create lineups to maximize their chances of victory using a platform that provides users with daily fantasy sports data, tools, analytics and articles, which in theory, should provide users with a competitive edge in their daily competitions.

The company also offers a premium subscription service for \$59 a month that grants members advanced data and tools to create optimal lineups for any given day.

The analytics craze in sports is nothing new and neither is DFS, but for someone like Bales, who played high school football at Kutztown because Brandywine doesn't offer the sport on a varsity level, the story of being apart of something like this is amazing in itself.

"Daily fantasy is the perfect combination of what I like in sports and data,"



Jonathan Bales

said Bales, "but I also think it would be terribly shortsighted of me to think that I can be a professional fantasy player the rest of my life. The game's are going to become way more efficient. You have really smart people coming in now and it's becoming more challenging. Developing something like Fantasy Labs offers a really big upside."

The upside that Bales is currently experiencing is nothing he could have envisioned when he started playing consistently on a daily basis in 2011.

"I was bad. I didn't win much," Bales said about that year. "I didn't start playing, what I consider professionally or where I was making a lot of money, until the beginning of 2014."

Like anyone looking to better themselves, Bales did that by putting the time in. He spends 12 hours a day going over everything possible fantasy related to help build lineups that generate income. Baseball is where he earns his bread and butter over the course of the year, as he cleared \$95,000 in

DraftKings baseball championship last year and has had several \$10,000 pay outs from contests.

Practice makes perfect and Bales understands that it takes a lot of knowledge and skill to become successful at this level.

"The first thing people think is that they know sports and think they should win," he said. "Knowing sports isn't that important to me. Approaching the game and figuring out potential edges you may have over the competition is more important to me."

Winning and losing is part of everyday life, but when you have thousands of dollars on the line every single day, you would think that your nerves would be shot when it comes down to the risk-reward with DFS.

Every touchdown, three-pointer or strikeout can mean the difference between winning \$50K or losing out on a jackpot. Bales has figured out that staying on an even keel is the best route, because losing is what happens the majority of the time.

"I think once you get conditioned to losing money, you think about it differently," he said. "I actually lose quite a bit because I primarily play in tournaments. My chart is quite volatile because I lose a little bit at a time and then make a lot."

"I don't treat the money I have in my bank account the same as my bankroll for playing. I'm OK with losing \$9,000 on a night, but if I went to a club and spent \$9,000, I'd be pretty upset."

As of today, Bales probably doesn't have much to be upset about.

He was in Los Angeles last weekend for the DraftKings 2015 Fantasy Football World Championship and is scheduled to be in Dallas this week to hook up with Cuban and the gang to discuss their new partnership.

Jonathan Bales has turned his passion for sports and analytics into a burgeoning business and is having a blast doing what he loves.

No matter how much money he has on the line tonight, Bales is still coming out a winner.

## 'Canes need wins

BY PETER CAR  
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It's not often that Liberty's backs are against the wall when it comes to qualifying for the postseason, but the Hurricanes are in that position after Saturday's 50-45 defeat at home to Bethlehem Catholic.

The loss put the Hurricanes at 6-9 overall on the season with seven games left on the calendar, starting with Tuesday night's rivalry contest with Freedom.

Head coach Chad Landis knows his team is in a tough spot heading into a week against the Patriots (9-7), as well as a Friday showdown with Allen (11-4).

"Going down the stretch it's going to be tough," said Landis of

Liberty's slate over the next two weeks. "We're back with our division games and everyone is familiar with each other. You have no idea how these games are going to go until you see the guys play on a given night. We're just trying to extend our season with our league record."

With Liberty sitting at 5-5 in the East Penn Conference before Tuesday's game with Freedom, the 'Canes need to win three of their final six league games to clinch a district berth.

Liberty hasn't missed the postseason in Landis's eight-years as coach and have qualified for districts for 10 straight years.

Only once during Landis's tenure has Lib-

erty come close to missing the postseason.

By the end of this week, the picture will be clearer for the Hurricanes when it comes to their agenda down the stretch.

To say that they need to at least split this week's two contests would be an understatement.

"We just need to figure out how to finish games," said Landis. "We didn't score a field goal in the fourth quarter against Beca until the final minute. I think like most teams, there's guys on the team that understand the situation we're in and the urgency needed and then there's other guys that you wonder if they understand it fully."

## HAWKS

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win over Bergen," said Hawks' head coach Jeff Karam. "In all honesty, that was probably the most satisfying dual meet win that I've ever experienced because it was such a quality team that we wrestled."

"We fought them tooth and nail and it was just an epic dual meet. I've been around coaching a long time and I'd like to see some more of those."

With five of the top 10 teams in the country migrating to Philadelphia for Saturday's event, the Hawks came away from their pool undefeated, knocking off Florida's Lake Highland Prep 43-21 in their morning opener, followed by their win over Bergen and capping off pool ac-

tion with a 51-15 victory over St. Augustine Prep (NJ).

Mustering up energy and focus to battle the likes of Blair Academy in the finale appeared to be a struggle for the Hawks and was something that Karam feared after the emotional ride following the win over Bergen.

"My major concern after the Bergen win was how were we going to respond," Karam said. "I think we were a little flat [against Blair] and they out wrestled us. The great thing about this event is that we get to learn. We want to win a state championship and that's why we come to events like this."

After wrestling top-tier competition over the weekend, the Hawks now prep for their final two dual meets of

the regular season this week before next Saturday's (Jan. 30) East Penn Conference crossover day where the Hawks will likely take on a very good Nazareth (9-0) team.

This week, however, they wrestle Northampton (5-5) on Wednesday night, followed by a Thursday showdown at Dieruff (8-7).

"We're looking forward to the Northampton match because they got some real good kids at their lighter weights that are really going to challenge us," said Karam. "The following week, we're excited about the EPC crossover because Nazareth looks for real. They've been wrestling really well and we're looking forward to finishing this regular season strong."

## Liberty duo wins Escape the Rock

BY PETER CAR  
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Liberty and Freedom both hit the road over the weekend and came home with positive results from the wrestling mat as they participated in their final individual tournaments before the postseason.

Liberty's KJ Fenstermacher (126) and Andrew Gunning (HWT) both came home with titles from the Escape the Rock tournament at Council Rock South.

Fenstermacher scored a 5-3 decision over Lucas Miller of Boyertown, while Gunning topped Don Bosco Prep's Eric Chakonis 3-1. The

battle was a matchup between the top ranked heavyweights in Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

Luke Werner took third at 113 for the Hurricanes to round out the trio of medalists on the weekend, as Liberty finished eighth in the team standings.

Freedom also finished eighth in the team standings at the War on the Shore tournament in Ocean City, Md.

Evan Callahan (220) was the only Patriot to reach the finals, but settled for silver, as Brandon Hall's group medaled seven wrestlers in total.

Ryan DeLoach (182,

3rd), Jake Rugis (195, 4th), Thomas Bonilla (152, 5th), Dylan Brown (126, 6th), Ben Huber (120, 6th) and Mario McIntyre (HWT, 7th) all placed for the Patriots as well.

The Pates (8-6) have three dual meets this week, starting with Wednesday's bout against Emmaus (11-4), followed by Northampton (5-5) on Thursday and Saturday night's home tilt against Liberty (8-2).

The Hurricanes take on Central Catholic (1-11) and Easton (10-2) today and tomorrow before Saturday's rivalry match.

## BOYS

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Thursday, capped off by Friday's home game against Dieruff (3-11).

The Hawks could be primed for a three-game sweep this week and if they have aspirations of qualifying for the EPC playoffs, they'll need to win as many games in

the conference as they can, since Emmaus, Parkland, Central Catholic, Pocono Mountain West and Allen have all clinched league playoff berths.

That leaves three spots up in the air with five teams (Stroudsburg (9-6, 6-3), Freedom (9-7, 6-4), Whitehall (9-6, 5-5) and Northampton (9-7,

5-5), spearheading that charge to the postseason.

"With how tight the league is right now, we need to win these games this week," Barbosa said. "It would be huge going forward if we wouldn't have to worry about qualifying for districts heading into next week."

## DARTS

Suburban Dart League Standings

Dryland	32	19.627
Bath Luth	30	18.625
St. Paul's	27	18.600
Salem Luth	25	20.556
Emmanuel	28	23.549
St. Stephen's	24	24.500
Salem UCC	25	26.490
Messiah	22	26.458
Christ UCC	23	28.451
Ebenezer	17	31.354
Farmersville	14	34.292

Ebenezer (4-1) at Christ UCC (9-1, 13-0)

C - Ed Yost 8-14 cycle, Joe Hunsicker 6-12, Jarod Pokorny 5-14, Ron Wagner 5-14, Joann Pokorny 2HR, Greg Pokorny HR.

Eb - Leroy Wilcox 4-10 2HR, Carol Voortman 4-12 HR.

Farmersville (2-1) at Salem Lutheran (8-1, 7-2)

SL - Walt Hoffer, Bill Hoke Jr. 6-12, Bryan Frankenfield 2HR, Tyler Frankenfield HR.

F - Ben Kerbaugh 6-11, Tom George 5-12.

St. Paul's (5-4) at St. Stephen's (5-3, 3-2)

SS - Alan Beahm 5-11 2HR, Travis Beahm 4-11, Nathan Naprada 2HR.

SP - Bret Remel 6-13, Brian Gross 5-12, Paul Slimone 5-13, Jennifer Erking 4-13 HR, Rich Kern 4-13.

Emmanuel (6-2) at

Bath Lutheran (2-1, 3-2)

BL - Lee Creyer 4-8, Deliasiello 3-10 HR.

Em - Jeff Hoffer 5-13, Judy Hoffer 4-12, HRs - Dick Wesner, Joe Dalrymple.

Salem UCC (5-1) at Dryland (3-1, 4-3 17in)

D - Butch Silfies 6-14, Shawn Sigley 5-15, HRs - Jim Goldman, Lou Dervarics.

S - Bill Rinker 6-14, Sherry Bush 5-12, HRs - Bob Krause, Rachel Krause.

Bye - Messiah

Bethlehem Inter-Church Dart Baseball League

Standings Week 2-2

Holy Trinity Luth 5 1.833

Christ UCC 4 2.667

St. Peter's Luth 4 2.667

First UCC 3 3.500

Fritz-Wesleyan 3 3.500

Holy Cross Luth 3 3.500

St. Matthew's 3 3.500

Schoenersville 3 3.500

Trinity UCC 3 3.500

West Side-Edge 3 3.500

Bethany UCC 2 4.333

Christ Lutheran 2 4.333

College Hill Mor 2 4.333

East Hills Mor 2 4.333

Side-Edgeboro at Christ UCC 2-4, 0-4, 8-2

St. Matthew's at Schoenersville 3-2, 2-6, 3-2; East Hills at First UCC 3-6, 3-4

(10), 11-7; Fritz-Wesleyan at Holy Trinity 11-8, 3-4, 4-5

(11); College Hill at Bethany 5-4, 4-3, 0-1; Holy Cross at Christ Lutheran 5-1, 1-2, 1-0

HIGHLIGHTS 1/11

1) John Bauman 6-14, Jim Buccin 5-12 & Barry Miller 6-12 for West Side-Edgeboro

2) Craig Ellis, Sr. 5-6 for Christ UCC.

3) Carlos Ramirez 6-13 & Joe Hegedus III 8-11 for East Hills.

4) Bob Krill 9-12 & Stan Czeck 7-13 for First UCC.

5) Herb Gates 8-14 for Fritz-Wesleyan.

6) Dave Repnyek 7-14 & Kevin Ashner 6-14 for Holy Trinity.

7) Erwin Stein 6-12 & Dave Brown 5-10 for Holy Cross.

8) Dan Deutsch 5-13 for College Hill.

9) Jeff Walczar 5-13 for Bethany.

10) Cliff Weston 4-4, Floyd Muschlitz, Jr. 6-14 & Bob Koch 5-12 for St. Matthew's

11) Dennis Peiffer 6-14, Lynn Peiffer 5-13 & Ray Walker 7-15 for Schoenersville.

RESULTS

1/4: St. Peter's at Holy Cross 7-0, 6-2, 1-2 (10) Kim Frankenfield 5-8 for St. Peter's.

Julian Watson hit into 4 double plays; 1/11: Trinity at St. Peter's 2-8, 0-2, 3-1; West

## Running Ramblings: Late warmth made for good running

BY JEFF MOELLER  
Special to the Press

With the unusual batch of unseasonal warm weather that has engulfed the early parts of winters, there should have been plenty of incentive to embark on a run or walk.

It provided most of us with a comfortable start to the often cumbersome task of training through the cold for our spring and summer events ahead. If you're not a runner but thinking about it, this period should have provided you the extra boost.

Well, we're not in the

South, and winter apparently has found its course upon us. If you got an early start, keep it going. If you were out there for the first time, don't let the cold discourage you.

Once you begin running, your body will adjust and you tend not to feel it. Once you're finished, quickly find some warm clothing.

In keeping with this thought, a handful of races already have begun the 2016 race calendar.

A few weeks ago, more than 1,000 runners participated in the annual Christmas City

Classic 5-miler and Candy Cane 5k in downtown Bethlehem. It proved once again to be a challenging race on a mild, 50-degree morning.

Jeremiah Reinhart was the top male finished in the 5K in a time of 17:48 and Edann Brady topped the women in a time of 18:28 in the field of 527 runners.

In the five-mile race, Matthew Lutcza was first in the male field in a time of 25:44, and Cassandra Tripaldi took home top honors among the women in a time of 30:06 among the field of 566 runners.

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## PROPUESTA DE ENMIENDAS A LA CONSTITUCIÓN DE PENNSYLVANIA

Los siguientes son copias verdaderas y correctas de resoluciones conjuntas de la Asamblea General de Pennsylvania que propone dos enmiendas a la Constitución de Pennsylvania. De conformidad con los procedimientos establecidos por el artículo XI, Sección 1 de la Constitución, la Asamblea General propuso primero las enmiendas durante la sesión de 2013 y las aprobó el período de sesiones de la legislatura por segunda vez durante el 2015. Según lo requerido por el Artículo XI, Sección 1 de la Constitución y la ley estatutaria, el Secretario De Estado de Pennsylvania ha causado las enmiendas propuestas que se publicarán aquí.

De conformidad a la ley, el Secretario De Estado de Pennsylvania presentará las enmiendas propuestas a los electores de Pennsylvania en la forma de dos preguntas de la boleta en la Primaria General que se celebrará el 26 de abril de 2016. Si una pregunta de la boleta es aprobada por una mayoría de los electores que voten sobre ella, la enmienda correspondiente se convierte en parte de la Constitución. Esas partes de las resoluciones conjuntas que aparecerán en negrita son las palabras de la Constitución que se proponen por la Asamblea General de adición o eliminación. Si se aprueba una enmienda, las palabras subrayadas se añaden a la Constitución y las

palabras entre paréntesis (por ejemplo, [Constitución]) se suprimen. Las palabras que no estén en negrita se mantienen sin cambios en la Constitución.

Siguiendo a las enmiendas propuestas se encuentra el texto de las preguntas que se pondrán en la boleta electoral. Debajo de cada pregunta hay una "Simple Declaración en Inglés", elaborado por la Oficina del Fiscal General, y publicado como exige la ley, lo que indica el propósito, las limitaciones y los efectos de la pregunta de la boleta a la gente de este estado.

Cualquier persona que necesite ayuda para leer este anuncio o que necesite el texto de las enmiendas propuestas en un formato alternativo puede llamar o escribir al Departamento de Estado de Pennsylvania, Oficina de Comisiones, Elecciones y Legislación, Sala 210 Oficina del edificio del Norte, Harrisburg, PA 17120, (717) 787-5280, ra-BCEL@pa.gov.

Pedro A. Cortés, Secretario De Estado de Pennsylvania.

### RESOLUCIÓN CONJUNTA 2015-1

Proponiendo una enmienda a la Constitución del Estado Libre Asociado de Pennsylvania, que se conceda una indemnización y jubilación de los magistrados, jueces y jueces de paz de la Asamblea General.

La Asamblea General del Estado de Pennsylvania resuelve lo siguiente:

Artículo 1. Se propone la siguiente enmienda a la Constitución de Pennsylvania, de conformidad con el artículo XI:

Que el artículo 16 (b) del Artículo V se modificará como sigue:

§ 16. Compensación y retiro de jueces, magistrados y jueces de paz

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(b) Jueces, magistrados y jueces de paz serán retirados en el último día del año natural en que alcanzan la edad de [70] 75 años. Antiguos y jubilados jueces, magistrados y jueces de paz recibirán la compensación que dispone la ley. Salvo lo dispuesto por la ley, ningún salario, beneficios de jubilación u otra compensación, presente o diferido, se pagarán a cualquier juez o juez de paz que, en virtud del artículo 18 o en el Artículo VI, está suspendido, retirado o excluido de la celebración de un cargo judicial para la condena por un delito grave o mala conducta en la oficina o conducta que vaya en detrimento de la administración de la justicia o lleve la oficina judicial al desprestigio.

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Sección 2. (a) Cada primer paso por la Asamblea General de esta propuesta de enmienda constitucional, el Secretario De Estado de Pennsylvania procederá de inmediato a cumplir con los requisitos de publicidad de la sección 1 del artículo XI de la Constitución de Pennsylvania y emitirá los anuncios necesarios para dos periódicos en cada condado que se publiquen en los diarios con el tiempo suficiente después del paso de esta propuesta de enmienda constitucional.

(b) En cuanto al segundo paso por la Asamblea General de esta enmienda constitucional propuesta, el Secretario De Estado de Pennsylvania procederá de inmediato a cumplir con los requisitos de publicidad de la sección 1 del artículo XI de la Constitución de Pennsylvania y emitirá los anuncios necesarios en dos periódicos de todos los condados que se publiquen en los diarios al tiempo suficiente después de la aprobación de esta propuesta de enmienda constitucional. El Secretario De Estado de Pennsylvania deberá presentar esta enmienda constitucional propuesta a los electores calificados de esta Comunidad en la primera elección primaria, general o municipal que cumpla los requisitos y esté en conformidad con el apartado 1 del artículo XI de la Constitución de Pennsylvania y que ocurra por lo menos tres meses después.

### PROPUESTA DE ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL 1

#### ENMIENDA A LA EDAD DE JUBILACIÓN JUDICIAL OBLIGATORIA

##### Pregunta de Boleta

¿Debe la Constitución de Pennsylvania enmendarse para exigir que los jueces de la Corte Suprema, los jueces y los jueces de paz (conocidos como jueces de distrito magistrales) se retiren en el último día del año natural en el que alcanzan la edad de 75 años, en lugar del requisito actual de que se retiren en el último día del año natural en que alcanzan la edad de 70?

#### Declaración en Inglés Simple de la Oficina del Procurador General.

El propósito de la pregunta de la boleta es modificar la Constitución de Pennsylvania para exigir que los jueces, magistrados y jueces de paz (conocidos como jueces de distrito magistrales) se retiren en el último día del año natural en que alcanzan la edad de 75 años.

Al presente, la Constitución de Pennsylvania dispone que los jueces, magistrados y jueces de paz se retiren en el último día del año natural en que alcanzan la edad de 70 años. Los jueces de paz se conocen actualmente en el distrito como jueces magistrales.

Si la pregunta de la boleta se aprobara, los jueces, magistrados y jueces de distrito magisteriales se retirarían en el último día del año natural en que alcanzan la edad de 75 años en lugar que del último día del año natural en que alcanzan la edad de la enmienda 70 años.

A la edad de jubilación obligatoria se aplicará a todos los jueces y magistrados en la Comunidad, incluidos los jueces de la Corte Suprema de Pennsylvania, los jueces de la Corte de Comunidad, Tribunal Superior, los tribunales del condado de súplicas comunes, tribunales comunitarios, tribunales municipales en la ciudad de Filadelfia, y el distrito magisterial de boleta de jueces. La pregunta es limitada en que no vaya a modificar otras disposiciones de la Constitución de Pennsylvania relacionados con la cualificación, elección, la tenencia, o la compensación de los magistrados, jueces o magistral y sus jueces.

El efecto de la pregunta de la boleta sería la de permitir a todos los magistrados, jueces y jueces de distrito magistrales a permanecer en el cargo hasta el último día del año natural en el que se alcanzara la edad de 75 años. Esto permitirá que todos los jueces y jueces de distrito magistrales sirvan un período adicional de cinco años más allá de la edad actual de jubilación requerida.

### RESOLUCIÓN CONJUNTA 2015-2

Proponiendo enmiendas integradas a la Constitución del Estado de Pennsylvania, eliminando la Corte de tráfico de Philadelphia.

La Asamblea General del Estado de Pennsylvania por la presente se resuelve de la siguiente manera:

Sección 1. La siguientes enmiendas integradas a la Constitución de Pennsylvania se proponen de conformidad con el artículo XI:

(1) Que la sección 1 del artículo V se modificará para que diga:

§ 1. Sistema judicial unificado.

El poder judicial de la Comunidad corresponderá a un sistema judicial unificado que consiste en el Tribunal Supremo, el Tribunal Superior, el Tribunal del estado, los tribunales de las súplicas comunes, tribunales comunitarios, municipales y tribunales [de tráfico] en la ciudad de Philadelphia, los demás tribunales que se establezcan por la ley y los jueces de paz. Todos los tribunales y los jueces de paz y de su competencia estarán en este sistema judicial unificado.

(2) Que el título y el inciso (c) del apartado 6 del artículo V se modificarán para que diga:

§ 6. tribunales comunitarios; Corte Municipal de Philadelphia [y la Corte de tráfico].

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(c) En la ciudad de Philadelphia tendrá lugar una corte municipal [y una corte de tráfico]. El número de los jueces y la jurisdicción [de cada] serán las previstas por la ley. Estos tribunales existirán [Este tribunal], siempre que un tribunal de la comunidad no se ha establecido o en el evento de una sola ha sido discontinuado en esta sección

(3) Que el inciso (d) de la sección 10 del artículo V se modifica como sigue:

§ 10. Administration Judicial

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(d) El Presidente del Tribunal Supremo y presidente jueces de todos los tribunales con siete o menos jueces serán la justicia o juzgar más larga de servicio continuo en sus respectivos tribunales; y en el caso de su renuncia a este cargo la justicia o el juez el próximo más largo de servicio continuo será el Presidente del Tribunal Supremo o el juez presidente. Los jueces presidentes de todos los demás tribunales serán elegidos por un período de cinco años por los miembros de sus respectivos tribunales [salvo el juez presidente de la corte de tráfico en la ciudad de Philadelphia será nombrado por el Gobernador]. Un Presidente del Tribunal Supremo o el juez presidente podrá renunciar tal posición y seguir siendo un miembro de la corte. En caso de empate en la votación para el cargo de juez presidente en un tribunal que elige a su juez presidente, la Corte Suprema designará como juez presidente a uno de los jueces que reciben el mayor número de votos.

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(4) Que el inciso (b) de la sección 12 del artículo V se modifique como sigue:

§ 12. Requisitos de los jueces, magistrados y jueces de paz

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(b) [Los jueces de la corte de tráfico en la ciudad de Philadelphia y los jueces] Los jueces de paz serán miembros de la barra de la Corte Suprema o deberá completar un curso de formación y la instrucción en los deberes de sus respectivos cargos y aprobar un examen antes de asumir el cargo. Tales cursos y exámenes serán las fijadas por la ley

(5) Que el inciso (a) de la sección 15 del artículo V se modifique como sigue:

§ 15. Tenencia de jueces, magistrados y jueces de paz

(a) El término regular del mandato de los magistrados y jueces será de diez años y el término regular de la oficina para los jueces de la corte municipal [y la corte de tráfico] en la ciudad de Philadelphia y de los jueces de paz será de seis años. La tenencia de cualquier justicia o juez no se verá afectada por los cambios en los distritos judiciales o por la reducción en el número de jueces.

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Sección 2. (a) Cada primer paso por la Asamblea General de las enmiendas constitucionales propuestas, el Secretario De Estado de Pennsylvania deberá proceder de inmediato a cumplir con los requisitos de publicidad de la sección 1 del artículo XI de la Constitución de Pennsylvania y emitirá los anuncios necesarios para dos periódicos en cada condado en el que los diarios se publican con el tiempo suficiente después de la aprobación de estas enmiendas propuestas constitucionales.

(b) Después de recibir la segunda pasada por la Asamblea General de las enmiendas propuestas constitucionales, el Secretario De Estado de Pennsylvania deberá proceder de inmediato a cumplir con los requisitos de publicidad de la sección 1 del artículo XI de la Constitución de Pennsylvania y emitirá los anuncios requeridos a dos periódicos en cada condado en el que los diarios se publican con el tiempo suficiente después de la aprobación de estas enmiendas constitucionales propuestas. El Secretario De Estado de Pennsylvania deberá presentar las enmiendas constitucionales propuestas en la sección 1 de la presente resolución a los electores calificados de esta Comunidad como una sola pregunta de la boleta en la primera primaria, elección general o municipal que cumple los requisitos de y está en conformidad con la sección 1 del artículo XI de la Constitución de Pennsylvania y la que se produce al menos tres meses después de que las enmiendas constitucionales propuestas son aprobadas por la Asamblea General.

### PROPUESTA DE ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL 2

#### ABOLICIÓN DE LA CORTE DE TRÁFICO DE PHILADELPHIA

##### Pregunta de la Boleta

¿Deberá la Constitución de Pennsylvania modificarse para abolir la Corte de tráfico de Philadelphia?

#### Declaración en Inglés Simple de la Oficina del Procurador General

El propósito de la pregunta de la boleta es modificar la Constitución de Pennsylvania para abolir la Corte de tráfico en la Ciudad de Philadelphia.

Al presente, la Constitución de Pennsylvania establece que la Corte de tráfico de la ciudad de Philadelphia sea parte del sistema judicial unificado. Si se aprobara la pregunta de la boleta, la Corte de tráfico en la ciudad de Philadelphia sería abolida mediante la eliminación de todas las referencias a la Corte de tráfico y los jueces de la Corte de tráfico en la ciudad de Philadelphia de la Constitución de Pennsylvania.

Legislación promulgada en 2013 emitió las funciones realizadas por la Corte de tráfico en la Corte Municipal de Philadelphia. Como resultado, violaciones del Código de Vehículos previamente adjudicados por la Corte de tráfico en la actualidad están siendo juzgados por el Tribunal Municipal de Philadelphia. La enmienda propone abolir oficialmente la Corte de tráfico mediante la eliminación de todas las referencias a la Corte de tráfico y sus jueces de la pregunta en la boleta de la Constitución de Pennsylvania.

Esta se limita a si la Corte de tráfico en la ciudad de Philadelphia debe ser abolida. La pregunta de la boleta no se modifique ninguna otra disposición de la Constitución de Pennsylvania más allá de la eliminación de todas las referencias a la Corte de tráfico y sus jueces. De la pregunta electoral sería abolir la Corte de tráfico en la ciudad de Philadelphia. Como se mencionó anteriormente, la legislación promulgada en 2013 transfirió las funciones de la Corte de tráfico a la Corte Municipal de Philadelphia. Esta enmienda aboliría oficialmente a la Corte de tráfico mediante la eliminación de todas las referencias a la Corte de tráfico y sus jueces de la Constitución de Pennsylvania.



PRESS PHOTOS BY CAROLE GORNEY

A bridal fashion show, featuring dozens of wedding gowns and these bridesmaids' dresses, drew a large crowd at the expo. Bridesmaids' styles ranged from short and casual to formal lengths, in a wide variety of colors and patterns.



Wedding dresses are changing to reflect more contemporary styles, according to Victoria Klotz, owner of V.K. Bridal Couture in Walnutport, and her daughter Krysti. As an example, they say the backs of dresses, with covered buttons and ornate lace trim have become a focal point of today's dresses.

# One-stop wedding shopping

BY CAROLE GORNEY  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

## PA BRIDAL EXPO

Everything that a bride-to-be would want to fulfill her wedding dreams was available to choose from at the 14th annual Eastern Pennsylvania Bridal Expo in January – the most glamorous gowns, gorgeous floral arrangements, creatively decorated cakes and perfect venues for the reception. More than 100 vendors selling products and services from the engagement to the honeymoon were represented at the two-day event, making it the largest bridal show in the Lehigh Valley.

Expo planner Wes Jenks of Jenks Productions in Connecticut said the idea behind the expo is to let couples shop for their wedding under one roof with the best wedding professionals in the area. He estimated that 2,000 future brides, fiancées, moms and wedding party members took advantage of that opportunity this year.

Another advantage of the expo appeared to be to showcase the newest bridal trends. Starting with the wedding gown, Krysti Klotz of V.K. Bridal Couture in Walnutport said styles are changing to the more contemporary. "The bride is looking for something timeless – a new look." That translates into strapless gowns or ones with sheer backs, or backs with covered buttons and other detailing, Klotz explained. "It's now about the whole picture, not just the front."

Wedding party fashions also have been updated. Bridesmaids' dresses in more casual above-the-knee, free-swirling skirts in a myriad of colors and patterns dominated the runway during the expo's fashion show.

Decorations, shapes,



Granny Schmidt's Bake Shop and owner Michelle Quier provided 2,400 miniature samples for the expo. It took eight hours to bake and decorate the six different flavored cakes.



If limos aren't your style, here's a fairy tale alternative, the Cinderella Carriage, complete with Olaf the dog. Could be Prince Charming, and the Fairy Godmother forgot to change him back before she left for the day?

fillings and flavors of wedding cakes have also gone modern. Classic white or ivory circular tiers have morphed into octagonals and squares finished in a variety of fondant colors. It was not surprising to find cakes on display at the expo frosted with black trimming or studded with black beads.

Granny Schmidt's Bake

Shop in Whitehall might have a nostalgic name, but its displays for the expo exemplified the romantic and modern looks in wedding cakes. Themed cakes are popular today, such as the bake shop's black-and-white creation based on "A Nightmare Before Christmas," baked for a Halloween wedding.

Granny Schmidt's owner Michelle Quier provided samples of current cake flavors and fillings, ranging from the classic vanilla and raspberry to banana Nutella, lemon poppy seed with limoncello frosting, and chocolate and Kahlua cream.

At another booth, photographer Alyssa Andrew said she has been doing pre-wedding boudoir photos of the bride for six years, and she says "it is now starting to be more of a trend." One prospective customer who did not want to be identified said, "A boudoir photo album would be something different to give as a gift to her fiancé. I wouldn't take photos of myself that way." Standing next to her, the fiancé was asked if he would enjoy getting the photos. He didn't say anything; just blushed.

If engaged couples prefer to turn all their wedding needs over to one coordinator, then Dream Events of Northampton is the type of full-service event planner they may be looking for.

Invitation designer Carol Fenstermacher said her company helps coordinate everything from "the beginning to lights out." They do up to 30 events a weekend, mostly weddings.

Newly engaged Siobhan Stern was attending the expo for the first time with her fiancé Matt Elison, and getting advice on wedding invitations from Fenstermacher. The couple agreed that the expo was very helpful. "We had no idea what to do. We don't even know what kind of cake we want," Elison said. Then, referring to the many local vendors they were meeting at the expo, he added, "We could Google, but you don't learn about the small mom and pops that do great work."



Model Kayla Bolash dresses for the expo fashion show with the help of her mother Lisa Bolash. Both were representing the Bela Bridal Salon at the two-day event.



Photographer Alyssa Andrew specializes in pre-wedding photo shoots of the bride. Describing her work as sexy but tasteful, she says it has become a trend for brides to give these photo collections to their new husbands.



Wedding invitations should project to guests the tone and style of the ceremony, according to Carol Fenstermacher, an invitation designer for Dream Events. She is seen here offering advice to bride-to-be Siobhan Stern and her fiancé Matt Elison, both of Allentown.



Silver Creek Country Club in Hellertown was among a number of vendors that provide venues for weddings and receptions. Jane Dravuschak of Whitehall, the mother of a bride-to-be, talked to a member of the catering department, Megan Miller, about the food and facilities available at the club.

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**Bethlehem Area SD  
City Health Bureau course Jan. 23**

The City of Bethlehem Health Bureau will host an age five and up get fit and stay safe obstacle course and program at 10 a.m. Jan. 23 at the Cops 'n' Kids reading room, Fowler Family Center, 511 E. Third St.

For information, visit [www.lvcopsnkids.org](http://www.lvcopsnkids.org) or call 610-861-7561.

**Local students featured in PopArt display**

The L. V. high school students ArtPop Billboard Competition exhibit will be held through March 13 at the Alvin H. Butz Gallery, ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way; and on Adams Outdoor Advertising company billboards.

The winner was "REACH" by Parkland HS senior Jeremy Gipson, who will have his work featured on an Adams billboard for all of 2016.

Local students and their work featured in the exhibit are Technology Desert (digital) by Aodhan Gyory, Lehigh Valley Charter Arts HS; and Past Steel, Present Stacks (acrylic) by Victoria Evert, Bethlehem Catholic HS, Bethlehem.

**Eagle Scout blood drive**

BASD student and Boy Scout Christopher Fereno is coordinating a blood drive through March 19 as his Eagle Scout project. On March 19, blood may be donated at First Baptist Church, 3235 Linden St.

Prior to or on March 19, blood donations (mention donor ID#7745 for credit to this drive) may be given at either Miller Keystone locations, 1465 Valley Center Parkway or 2925 William Penn Highway, Easton.

**Elementary: Future chef competition begins**

Sodexo and the BASD are holding an elementary culinary competition. BASD students in grades one through five submitted healthy breakfast recipes, which will be judged on ease of kid-friendly preparation and other aspects. The finalists will appear at the cook off at 4:45 p.m. March 16 at the Northeast MS.

**Freedom HS: Band fundraiser Jan. 22**

A basket and handbag bingo fundraiser for the Freedom HS band and orchestra will be held at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 22 (snow date is Jan. 29) in the cafeteria, 3149 Chester Ave. There will be raffles and refreshments. For information, email [FHSBingo@gmail.com](mailto:FHSBingo@gmail.com).

**Liberty HS: Beyond the Band video available**

Liberty HS band members and broadcast staff Sean Collins and Tara Galloway's video, Beyond the Band, is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yjAqk-Yy2vw> (short form) and [http://www-lhs.beth.k12.pa.us/broadcast/BCJ\\_beta/broadcasting\\_features.html](http://www-lhs.beth.k12.pa.us/broadcast/BCJ_beta/broadcasting_features.html) (full video).

The video covers the making of a high school field show. LHS broadcast journalism teachers Shaughn Bittner and Mike Gori were the production advisors.

**Charter Schools**

**LVCHSA: Taming of the Shrew set for Jan. 22-24**

The Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts presents William Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew" at 7 p.m. Jan. 22 and 23 and at 2 p.m. Jan. 24 at the Charter Arts Theatre, 321 E. Third St. The director is Diane Wagner.

Tickets may be purchased online at [www.CharterArts.org](http://www.CharterArts.org) or at the door.

**Parochial Schools**

**St. Anne Catholic Schools Week Celebration**

Saint Anne School will host an opening Mass at 10:30 a.m., followed by open house from 11:30 am until 1:30 pm. Jan. 31 at the school, 375 Hickory St., to begin the Catholic Schools Week celebrations.

There will be school guided tours, visits to classrooms and the opportunity to meet with faculty, parents and current students.

There will be an opportunity to register for preschool and kindergarten through eighth grade. Light refreshments will be served and there will be a door prize raffle will take place.

Other events include Feb. 1: jump rope for heart, family evening ice skating, Feb. 2: student super hero dress down, Marvel/DC cartoonist and author Bob McLeod and community superhero assembly from 9:45 to 11 a.m., students will honor local community and life superheroes, 1:30 p.m.; Feb. 3: National Geography Bee finals for grades 4-8, 1:30 p.m., P.J. Day, collection of baby items for Mary's Shelter; and Feb. 4: student Wild West day with games, dress down and square dancing.

For information, call 610-868-4182.

**Notre Dame: FBLA students take honors**

First Commonwealth Federal Credit Union recently sponsored a "Mad City Money" workshop during the Region 28 Future Business Leaders of America's annual Regional Leadership Conference at Lehigh Carbon Community College. Several Notre Dame HS students participated in events such as job interview, public speaking i and ii, business ethics, emerging business issues, impromptu speaking, client service, graphic design, publication design, and future business leader presentations.

Notre Dame had several winners in the regional testing awards They will compete in the state contest April 11 through 13 in Hershey.

The students are: first place: Shyam Mehta, future business leader; Gabriella Flank, client service; and Greg Bianchi, public speaking; second place: Meghan Grys, business communication and Richard Mueller, FBLA principles and procedures; third place: Sara Medei, introduction to parliamentary procedures; fourth place: Julia Pinter, business law, John Koons, FBLA principles and procedures; Katie Dicker, introduction to business procedures; Arthur Jacob, introduction to information technology and Fayth Alston, introduction to parliamentary procedure; fifth place: Tiana Boutros, business communication; Sarah Skievaski, insurance and risk management; Elizabeth Cartier, introduction to parliamentary procedure and Daniel Krochta, networking concepts.

Other winners were Nadia Holmgaard, Jane Karam, Chris Bianchi, Emily Stubits, Alexander Goscinia, Jack Nesbitt, Kathleen Capella, Rebecca Fahy, Jawhara Karam, Anthony Pacchioli, Gregory Brutschea, Jacob Schaeffer, Da (Diane) Yun, Joseph Simmons, Nicole Schaeffer, Kyra Cerar, Robert Fiedler and Jack Morey.

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**PEOPLE**

**C.A. grad in mock EU session**

Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Arts graduate Sarah Meinhardt, of Allentown, recently participated in the annual simulated European Union (EU) parliamentary session in Washington, D.C.

She is a bachelor of arts in international studies and political science and philosophy major at The Valley / Lebanon Valley College.

The session focused on Sweden, and participants played the roles of national ministers or members of the EU parliament or commission. The theme was the current migration crisis in Europe.

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Michael Taylor crawls through a muddy pool on his way to the finish line of a Spartan Race run near Miami.

**Saturday at a Spartan Race**

BY MICHAEL TAYLOR  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

**E**ver consider doing a Spartan Race? During the holiday football bowl season, you may have seen the ads for a series of such races all along the West Coast. Spartan Races are a series of obstacle runs ranging in length from three miles all the way to marathon distance.

Not too long ago, I decided to give it a try. My first Spartan Race back in September 2014 took place at the Mountain Creek Ski Resort in Vernon, N.J. My running partner, Zach Evans, and I did the Spartan Super, a grueling nine miles filled with over 30 obstacles. Zach and I participated with very little training and we quickly found out that was mistake. Despite the difficulty of the course and lack of training, we finished at the three-hour mark.

**S**kippping ahead a year and two months, it was time for me to do my second race. This time I had different partner and a different race location. Ben Johnson is my roommate and running partner. He comes from a small town in western Pennsylvania called Curwensville, which is much smaller than my hometown - Tamaqua. We met at Penn State in the Rec Hall Fitness Center. Go figure.

We both moved to Miami to pursue our dream careers. He works for a well-known architecture firm, Kimley-Horn. I work for Fast Twitch Performance Training. All types of people come for training, ranging from those simply looking to retrieve their lost athleticism all the way to professional athletes.

Two small-town Pennsylvania gym rats doing a southern Florida Spartan Race. It was going to be an interesting day.

**B**en and I volunteered to work at the race, providing some help with all the chaos that a Spartan Race can bring along with it. Working at the race also helped us avoid paying the entry fee.

We were expecting sunny skies, but our expectations were soon shattered as it poured all day. It just so happened to be a record-breaking rainfall weekend for southern Florida. Nature wasn't going to give us a break.

**D**espite having to stand in ankle deep water for seven hours, helping the Spartan Race staff was entertaining. While I was helping in bag check, Ben was out on the course taking pictures. Ben was able to see all the runners go through the course, but he was stuck in the down-pour while I was under a tent helping with the bag check.

Many different types of people come to these events. There were the first timers, the occasional runners, and the hardcore "elite" runners. The apparel of all the runners was vastly different. Many wore long sleeves and longlegged pants to avoid being scraped going through the course, while others went shirtless or wore limited clothing. One person who stood out was a bear-like man wearing only a speedo and an ear-flap Christmas hat with the poof ball on the top.

**F**inally, 2 p.m. came around, and it was time for us to race. Ben and I entered the starting gate, which was like a lake by the time we were able to run. Right out of the gate was an uphill climb, providing an intense warm-up that had me gasping as I reached the top. There was a small flat patch before we began to run downhill and reach the first obstacle - full body submersion in a river about 25 yards wide. Since there were torrential downpours all day, being in the water was not a bother.

The next couple of obstacles were more challenging. They consisted of climbing over walls that started at six feet high and progressed to nine feet by the end of that station.

While we were running the course, every step in the mud threatened to suck our shoes right off our feet.

We ran until we reached the

next obstacle - the bucket carry, one of the most challenging stations on the course. A bucket was filled with stones and carried 100 yards down a dirt path and another 100 yards through a knee-high river. A full bucket weighed around 50 pounds. The objective was to not put the bucket down, and I was able to carry it the full 200 yards.

**R**ight after the bucket carry was the atlas stone carry. For this obstacle, an atlas stone, a huge solid stone that strongman competitors lift onto the platforms during their contests, was carried across a waist-high river. The stone weighed 75 pounds. Upon reaching the other side, we completed a set of five burpees, or up-downs. After the burpee set was finished, the stone was carried back across the river.

The most challenging obstacle of them all was having to pull a 135-pound sandbag off the ground with a single pulley, and that just about took all the strength I had left.

The last stretch of the race was the most interesting. It started with tossing a spear, just like the Spartans did during the battle of Thermopylae. The spear had to hit a target on the first throw or the participant does burpees as a punishment.

Next we climbed up coral mountains and dropped down into the muddy pools beneath them. There were three hills and three pools to be climbed and dropped into.

**F**inally, the finish line was in sight. However, it could not be crossed without jumping over a line of fire that rose three feet high.

Ben and I approached the fire and cleared as we crossed the finish line with relief. We were met by Spartan Race staffers who hung finisher medals around both of our necks.

As I looked at the medals, I had a sense of accomplishment and a feeling that I was going to make adventure races a regular part of my life.



Michael Taylor, left, and Ben Johnson, right, celebrate the completion of the challenge with a Battle Frog race official at another obstacle race held in Orlando.

# Alexander Gosciniak

Notre Dame HS

**Grade:** 12  
**Family members:** My mom, Carolyn, my dad, Albert, and my sister Gaby  
**Favorite subject:** My favorite subject is English because I love reading everything, from the Greek classics to 21st century novels and analyzing different literary motifs.  
**Activities:** I am the captain of my cross country team. We won the Colonial League championships in October. I am also involved in theater, Key Club, National Honor Society and student council where I serve as the executive board treasurer.  
**Next steps:** I hope to attend the College of William and Mary and major in film and English.  
**Career goals:** I want to be a comedy writer for television and film.  
**Heroes:** My heroes are Tina Fey and my sister Gaby: Tina Fey because only she can word a fart joke in an eloquent manner; my sister Gaby because she is one of the funniest and most compassionate people I know.  
**Hobbies:** My hobbies include watching classic movies, tap dancing and reading.  
**Volunteer/community work:** I help facilitate and participate in Notre Dame's 24-hour dance marathon called Mini-THON to raise money for pediatric cancer.



**Likes:** Long walks on the beach, Fleetwood Mac and french fries.  
**Dislikes:** Cold french fries  
**Greatest accomplishment (so far):** Two years ago I traveled to France with my family and we had the opportunity to view Omaha Beach. My father is a veteran and I felt honored to see that with him.  
**Advice for peers:** My advice is to get involved, have fun, and not take anything too seriously.  
 Julia Swan coordinates student profiles for the Bethlehem Press.  
 Student profile subjects are selected by faculty and administration at the individual schools.



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

## Gov. Wolf participates in 'Pint Size' program

Students at Governor Wolf ES joined with the American Red Cross in November to host a blood drive through the Pint Size Heroes program. Principal Theo Quinones said the Red Cross made presentations and provided educational materials to each classroom to teach them the importance of giving blood. Students then recruited family members, school staff and friends to donate at a school sponsored blood drive. Quinones said 33 individuals signed up to donate at the event, which was held in the school's multi-purpose room Nov. 13. As a prior donor, Quinones

benefited from having less paperwork to attend to before giving blood. "It means being part of the community," summed up Quinones, "and we're always looking for ways the students can get involved." Above: Governor Wolf ES Principal Theo Quinones is one of the first to donate blood. Here double red cell technician Lisa Walsh preps Quinones. Blood drawn is spun through the double red cell machine in the background, where platelets and plasma are separated from the red cells and returned to the donor.

## NOTRE DAME HS NOTES

BY CLAIRE MULLIGAN

### Crusaders dance for those who can't

For the kids, each year more than half the students at Notre Dame HS donate 24 hours of their time to dance a night away for a cause close to the hearts of many: childhood cancer.

The Four Diamonds Fund works with Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital to fight pediatric cancer. Penn State University holds an annual dance marathon (THON) to raise money to support this fight. Since Penn State founded its THON in 1977, over 150 schools started their own Mini-THONs, modeled after the Penn State 46-hour dance-a-thon, which requires no sitting or sleeping.

Notre Dame is the only high school in Pennsylvania that participates in a 24-hour Mini-THON. Last year Crusaders raised over \$80,000. The donations help to combat childhood cancer by supporting the needs of families with children suffering from cancer.

Students, families, and the school community come together in efforts to find a cure. On Feb. 13, Notre Dame students grades nine through 12 will stand up to fight childhood cancer. The dancers will spend 24 hours in the school gym packed with volunteers and supporters.

"THON is a great cause because it raises awareness for the kids who are not able to do activities we enjoy on a daily basis," said senior Maribeth Beatty. "In addition, it brings our school together for a united cause and gives us something to be proud of."

Students, divided into six different colored teams prior to the event, each with a team coach and student leaders, compete against each other in games such as scooter races and cake decorating.

Notre Dame's Mini-THON proves a success year after year. Event organizer and Director of Admissions Cheryl Fenton works tirelessly to make sure the 24 hours go smoothly.

"THON draws so many of us together who have experienced cancer in our lives," Fenton said. "This is the one event that pulls the entire Notre Dame community together."

With the help of the community, Notre Dame hopes to raise awareness and money for childhood cancer again this year. They will dance for the kids.



Claire Mulligan



PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN

A grand opening ribbon-cutting ceremony Dec. 1 attracts a long line of Vi-Peeps dignitaries and Just Born personnel to the Peeps & Company retail store in the Promenade Shops at Saucon Valley. Just Born President David Yale and joint Chief Executive Officers David Schaffer and Ross Born cut the ribbon. The Just Born retail store has been open since Nov. 12 when it relocated from a site at the Sands Casino Outlets Mall in South Bethlehem. "We were looking for a change of venue to a more family oriented site," said Kimberly Stiele, managing director of the Just Born retail division. The quality confections' company, based on Stefko Boulevard in Bethlehem, has two other Peeps & Company stores: at the Mall of America in Bloomington, M.N., and Baltimore's Inner Harbor. The newest store serves the Lehigh Valley with a full line of Peeps brand candy, Peeps-wear and plush toys for children. Call 610-625-5353 for more information.



Samantha Bodder of Center Valley checks out a Peeps T-shirt during the Peeps & Company store opening. She's the daughter of Mary Bodder, a computer application specialist at the Just Born Bethlehem plant and corporate offices.



Peeps Store associate manager Lori Rivera gives a candy sample to Donovan Malarkey and his mother Jennifer of Coopersburg.

## PEEPS store marks re-opening



Peeps store visitor Oceana Bisson makes a new friend at the newly relocated Peeps store at the Promenade Shops at Saucon Valley. Oceana was with her mother Brigitte Bisson of Allentown, who works for Just Born as a graphic department manager.



Happy first-time shoppers AnneMarie Hamant of Hellertown and her daughter Josephine visit the Peeps store at the Promenade Shops on grand opening day after spotting the bright yellow Peepsmobile parked outside.



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# Marty Nothstein, Dan Hartzell sworn in as new commissioners

BY MARK RECCEK  
Special to The Press

## LEHIGH COUNTY

Lehigh County commissioners swore in two new members at the board's Jan. 4 reorganization meeting.

Taking the oath of office were newcomer commissioners, Republican Marty Nothstein of Lowhill Township and Democrat Dan Hartzell of South Whitehall Township.

Also sworn in during the reorganization meeting were re-elected commissioners, Republicans Amanda Holt of Upper Macungie Township and Brad Osborne of South Whitehall Township.

Former Commissioner Vic Mazziotti was not re-elected to serve another term.

Osborne was unanimously re-elected chairman for 2016 by his colleagues. Michael Schware was elected vice chairman.

In an email to the Press Monday, Osborne said he is looking forward to again serving as chairman and following through with a number of initiatives undertaken last year.

Osborne said in 2016 he hopes to positively

conclude discussions on a new or renovated Cedarbrook Nursing Home. He also plans to review the county government compensation program and build on the board's record of fiscal discipline.

"While Lehigh County is in good hands and the finances are healthy, we can accomplish more in terms of long-range planning and investments in the community if our two branches of government coordinated efforts and moved forward together," he

said. "Our victories can be shared accomplishments and credit."

He also noted a strategic planning session with the board will be held early in the year to identify opportunities, as well as focus on efforts in 2016.

"I will continue my efforts to open up a productive relationship with the executive and administration," Osborne added.

The board meets at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of each month in the Lehigh County Government Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.

## BRIEFLY

### KEMERER: Dollhouses go on display

Historic Bethlehem Museums and Sites at the Kemerer Museum, 427 N. New St., Bethlehem, will display one of the largest dollhouse collections in the nation Jan. 17 to June 26.

The Elizabeth Johnston Prime Dollhouse Collection boasts 44 antique buildings, including dollhouses, stores, stables, mansions, verandas and more than 6,000 tiny pieces of dolls, furniture, paintings, animals, rugs, dishes, chandeliers and more, which Elizabeth Johnston Prime donated in 2007.

Prime's family roots trace back to the Moravian founders of Bethlehem in the mid-18th century as well as the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, where her grandfather served as a senior vice president and later as mayor of the city.

The collection will showcase architecture, clothing and furniture styles that span across 100 years, from the 1830s to the 1930s, as well as creations from such notable dollhouse designers as Moritz Gottschalk and Christian Hacker.

This collection will be on display 2 p.m. every third Sunday, starting Jan. 17. Dates are Jan. 17, Feb. 21, March 20, April 17, May 15 and June 19.

A special tour will be held Feb. 12, where guests will not only see the inside of the Collection Resource Center but have an exclusive meeting with the curator of the Kemerer Museum of Decorative Arts, Lindsey Jancay.

There is an admission fee, and visitors must RSVP with Jancay.

For more information or questions regarding the tour, contact Jancay at ljancay@historicbethlehem.org or call 610-868-6868, ext. 63.

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## 'Lush Life'

Lynnie Godfrey sings evening of standards with Allentown Symphony in 'Pops Series'

BY DEB BOYLAN  
 Special to The Press

Lynnie Godfrey has lived a blessed life. Ask her yourself and she'll tell you how fortunate she has been in so many ways. A versatile talent, Godfrey has graced stages both on Broadway and off, stateside and abroad, appeared on television, received awards, directed, produced and been mentored by some of the greatest talents of the past century.

Petite in stature, but tall in charisma, personality and that kind of natural talent that cannot be taught, Godfrey takes to the main stage 7:30 p.m. Jan 23, Miller Symphony Hall, Allentown.

The Allentown Symphony Orchestra, conducted by ASO Associate Conductor Rick Demkee, will provide lush musical accompaniment to Godfrey's vocals as she performs an evening of standards. The combo appearing with Godfrey and the ASO is Ken Moyer, piano, saxophone; Tom Kozić, guitar; Paul Rostock, bass, and Roger Latzgo, guitar.

Moyer did orchestra arrangements for the "ASO Pops Series" concert, with the theme, "Embrace The Standards," and expected to include "It Don't Mean A Thing If It Ain't Got That Swing," "Lush Life," "Satin Doll," "Miss Otis Regrets," "Blues In The Night," "Accentuate The Positive," "Someone To Watch Over Me" and "The Best Is Yet To Come," among others.

Godfrey tears the pages out of the great American Songbook and truly takes ownership of these classic songs. As with any undertaking Godfrey tackles, she infuses it with her own style.

"There are a lot of things that I tried," says Godfrey during a phone interview, "but I don't think I do them as well as what I am doing now. But I tried them to make sure. I thought maybe [at one time], you know, I could do rhythm and blues the way Aretha could, and I went, 'No, you can't. No, no, no, no. That's not your thing.' But it's OK because I can sing with her records and I still hit the same notes. I just don't hit them the same way."

"When I was in a rhythm and blues band when I was 14 and a half years-old and I was singing like Mavis Staples, I was singing somebody else's songs and I went, 'What do I want to sound like?'"

"I have this unique sound. It's a big sound for a little person. It's always been there ever since I was real young."

"I'm different and I think the people that we admire the most are different. They're not a clone of anybody else."

Godfrey, a native New Yorker, since late 2009 has called Schnecksville, North Whitehall Township, her home. She and her husband, Carl E. Lee, delight in their surroundings. "It's just wonderful to walk around here."

"I'm a northeastern girl, she says. "I've tried the south a couple of times, and my family is from the south so I was down there for a while, but not to live forever."

Schnecksville and the Lehigh Valley provide Godfrey and Lee with the suburban sanctuary they sought while also offering an abundance of opportunities for recreation and entertainment.

"I don't want to say too much about it because every time I move someplace that's really fabulous and I talk about it in an article, we become inundated with theater people and I'm like, 'Oh no, I don't want y'all here,'" she laughs.

"Everybody I've invited out here just loves it. They want to come for Christmastime and then they want to come summertime. Those two seasons are just absolutely wonderful here."

"I took people down to ArtsQuest and Christkindl-

markt and then I take them to Allentown downtown, because it's really been building up and everything. It's wonderful and, of course, some people enjoy the [Sands] casino and they make a weekend of it.

"It's become this like little resort that people are beginning to discover. I don't have to drive a lot and I can be in a whole other place and have a lot of things to do."

"New things are coming all the time because it is rebuilding. All the towns [Easton, Bethlehem and Allentown] are rebuilding themselves. There's such a newness about this."

Godfrey, as with the Valley's three cities, is constantly building and adding onto her list of accomplishments. Her new book, "Sharing Lessons Learned While Seeking the Spotlight" (Blue Heron Book Works), is the latest addition to her body of work.

The book is a window into the influences, mentors, circumstances and determination that have guided her throughout her professional career and personal life. Godfrey signed copies of the book Jan. 19 at the Moravian Book Shop, Allentown. She'll sign copies of her book after the concert.

Godfrey, who had returned from rehearsal at Miller Symphony Hall when this interview took place, is awestruck by the Allentown Symphony Orchestra.

"I have been a participant in the jazz series [Jazz Upstairs] at Symphony Hall and was privileged to sell them out to the point where Sheila Evans, who is the executive director, said, 'I'm really tired of turning people away so I want you to be in the big hall because you sell out a month in advance.'"

"I'm doing the standards. That's the music that I love the most and the sound of the symphony."

"I have gone to Allentown Symphony concerts just to listen to them because they are just wonderful and I am thrilled to have the opportunity to sing with them now."

**Tickets: Miller Symphony Hall Box Office, 23 N. Sixth St., Allentown; allentownsymphony.org; 610-432-6715**



Lynnie Godfrey, Allentown Symphony Orchestra, "Embrace The Standards," 7:30 p.m. Jan 23, Miller Symphony Hall, Allentown  
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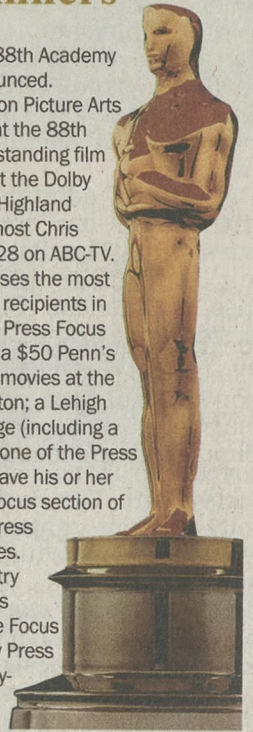
## the Readers Pick Oscar Winners

Nominations for the 88th Academy Awards have been announced.

The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences will present the 88th Academy Awards for outstanding film achievements of 2015 at the Dolby Theatre, Hollywood and Highland Center, Hollywood, with host Chris Rock, at 8:30 p.m. Feb. 28 on ABC-TV.

The person who chooses the most correct number of Oscar recipients in the annual Lehigh Valley Press Focus section contest receives a \$50 Penn's Peak gift card, tickets to movies at the Roxy Theatre, Northampton; a Lehigh Valley Press prize package (including a one-year subscription to one of the Press newspapers), and may have his or her photo published in the Focus section of the eight Lehigh Valley Press newspapers and web sites.

The Oscar contest entry form is on Page B4 of this Focus section and on the Focus page of the Lehigh Valley Press web site: [TheLehighValleyPress.com](http://TheLehighValleyPress.com)



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**20th "Elvis Bash":** For the 20th consecutive year, "The Elvis Birthday Bash," a tribute show to "The King Of Rock 'N' Roll," is being presented at 3 p.m. Jan. 24, State Theatre Center For The Arts, Easton. The concert pays homage to the Elvis Presley with two performers, one portraying the young teen heartthrob and the other presenting Elvis during his Las Vegas performance years. Scot Bruce recreates Elvis' early years. Mike Albert, above, assays the 1970s' Elvis. From "Hound Dog" to "Suspicious Minds" and just about every Elvis hit in between, it's a tribute to the King that will leave you screaming for more. CNN has called Scot Bruce "the closest they can get to Elvis in the flesh." Oprah Winfrey has said, "Mike Albert not only looks like Elvis, he can belt it out." When these two men take the stage, perhaps for one night only, Elvis has certainly not left the building. Tickets: State Theatre Box Office, 453 Northampton St., Easton; [statetheatre.org](http://statetheatre.org), 1-800-999-STATE, 610-252-3132

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**Hit them up:** The Hitmen, above, bring their concert tour to the State Theatre Center For The Arts, Easton, at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 23. The group is led by Gerry Polci and Lee Shapiro, who toured with Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons, played on hit albums with them, and sang lead vocals. When they met in 1973, along with Valli and songwriter-producer Bob Gaudio, Polci and Shapiro helped to successfully transition the Four Seasons' sound from 1960s' doo-wop to 1970s' pop with mega-hit songs like "Who Loves You" and "Oh What A Night." Spurred by the success of "Jersey Boys," the Tony Award-winning Broadway musical based on the Four Seasons, the two former Four Seasons brought together an A-list group of musicians. The Hitmen perform songs from the Four Seasons songbook, plus other megahits that members of the group played on and performed. Tickets: State Theatre Box Office, 453 Northampton St., Easton; [statetheatre.org](http://statetheatre.org), 1-800-999-STATE, 610-252-3132

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## 11TH ANNUAL Student Poetry Project

Lehigh Valley Press call for entries announced

Submissions are now being accepted for the 11th 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 20 and 21 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.

The three student writers of the first-place poems will be invited to read their poems and be inter-

viewed on "Lehigh Valley Arts Salon," 6 - 6:30 p.m. April 18, WDIY, Lehigh Valley Community Radio, 88.1 FM, [wdiy.org](http://wdiy.org).

The entry guidelines are:

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 students in the circulation areas of the Lehigh Valley Press newspapers (Salisbury Press, East Penn Press, Parkland Press, Northwestern Press, Whitehall-Coplay Press, Catasaqua 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 and no larger than 14

point. No illustrations will be accepted.

3. Include student name, age, grade, school, 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 one or up to three poems, which must be his or her original composition. Each poem should be a separate entry. Students working with short forms such as haiku may submit individual poems, or a sequence of 3 - 5 poems with a title, on a single page.

5. E-mail poems and/or questions to George Van Doren at [georgevan@mac.com](mailto:georgevan@mac.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 15.

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 Poetry Project on Facebook. Please "like" the page.

## Bel Canto Children's Chorus joins forces with The Bach Choir of Bethlehem

Bel Canto Children's Chorus has moved its operational center to the Lehigh Valley with administrative, operational and artistic support provided by The Bach Choir of Bethlehem.

Bel Canto will be re-named Bel Canto Children's Chorus of The Bach Choir of Bethlehem.

Bel Canto's administrative offices are now located with The Bach Choir at Heckewelder House, Bethlehem. Rehearsals move to the Lehigh Valley in summer 2016.

Over the past few years, Bel Canto has enjoyed a growing relationship with The Bach Choir. Bel Canto singers have had the opportunity to:

Perform a major work with The Bach Choir and Bach Festival Orchestra (Britten's "Saint Nicolas") under the direction of Greg Funfgeld, Bach Choir artistic director and conductor;

Record for an internationally-released CD ("A Child's Christmas in Bethlehem," produced by The Bach Choir of Bethlehem);

Sing Bach with an elite group of young musicians from the Lehigh Valley in preparation

for The Bach Choir's 2016 Family Concert Youth Choirs Festival, Feb. 28, Zoellner Arts Center, and

Perform with The Bach Choir as Choral Scholars in their senior year of high school.

The Bel Canto Children's Chorus was founded in 1993 by artistic director Joy Hirokawa. The mission of the organization is to provide an educational and artistic musical experience for children of diverse ethnic, religious and cultural backgrounds and nurture a sense of accomplishment and community through the outstanding performance of diverse choral repertoire.

Hirokawa is coordinator of Music Education at Moravian College. The Bel Canto Children's Chorus has won The American Prize in the Children's Chorus category and has toured internationally.

This season, in addition to The Bach Choir's Youth Choirs Festival, Bel Canto performs with the Allentown Symphony and the Allentown Band. Bel Canto will give the Lehigh Valley premiere of "Anne Frank: A Living Voice" by Linda Tutas Huagen

at its Spring Concert. Bel Canto includes 50 singers in grades 2-12.

The Bach Choir has been considering expanding its acclaimed educational outreach program, which includes its Family Concert, Bach Chaconne Project, Bach at Noon, and Bach to School, which has reached more than 110,000 students in local school systems since its inception. The Bach Choir's desire was to do more to train the next generation of choral singers.

Bel Canto was considering a move from the Quakertown area to the Lehigh Valley in fall 2016. Discussions between the boards and staff of the two organizations, led by Bach Choir president Hal Black and Bel Canto president Jenn O'Donnell, brought about the alliance.

Bridget George, Bach Choir executive director said, "It seemed there was an extraordinarily fortuitous synchronicity of purpose. Joy Hirokawa was looking for shared resources and increased visibility leading to increased opportunities to grow the membership and diversity of The Bel Canto Children's Chorus. Both

organizations were looking for new ways to live the mission of life-long involvement in the choral art."

The alliance of the two organizations was officially launched Jan. 1. Kim Sehn, the new administrator of Bel Canto, is now housed at The Bach Choir offices. Funfgeld and Hirokawa have communicated with the singers of The Bach Choir and the parents and choristers of Bel Canto about the alliance and both artistic directors said they are pleased with the response and excited about programming possibilities.

Bel Canto is accepting new singers to its Intermediate level ensembles for children in grades 2 - 6 that meet Monday evenings at Nativity Lutheran Church, 4004 Tilghman St., Allentown, and Perkiomenville Mennonite Church, 1836 Gravel Pike, Perkiomenville. Interested singers are invited to attend an open rehearsal Jan. 25. Call Kim Sehn, choir administrator at 215-541-4242 to reserve a spot. Auditions for all levels of the choir will take place in May.

## What we gain as we age

Right after Christmas The New York Times ran a metro feature with an interesting thought about "the very old."

"The very old may lose health, mobility and independence but they gain perspective," said the article.

It's sad to think of the things we lose when we get old. And few want to admit to being what the Times calls "very old."

Very old, of course, is the age we've yet to reach.

I smiled at a recent survey that said people resent being referred to as old. According to the survey, they want to be called seniors. I like that designation better, too.

Our local Florida paper learned how being called "elderly" ranked readers after publishing a story about a traffic accident. The reporter wrote that driver was "elderly." Reading further, readers learned the elderly man was 65. Weeks after it was published, the newspaper was still getting letters of protest.

(I responded to that indignation by saying I thought the reporter who wrote the piece was 12.)

For purposes of their article, The New York Times defined old as 85 and up.

What I liked about the article was that it reinforced what I've always believed — age does have its privileges to compensate for its pains. And I agree that as we age we definitely gain perspective.

With years of living we learn what is important and what's not.

We learn to listen more and talk less because we know if we listen, others will have interesting things to share.

We learn to keep our negative emotions in check because experience has taught us we are much happier that way.

We learn, too, that happiness has little to do with how much money we have. If we have our health as well as enough to get by, we know we are rich, indeed.

We learn not to envy someone who appears to "have it all" because we all have our problems and our burdens, no matter how much money we have. The very rich are not immune to big time problems. Anyone who reads the news can attest to that.

Here's one important perspective I've gained as I've gotten older — the solution to many of our relationship problems is this: Just love.

Love others. Love those who are not perfect. Love those who don't quite live up to our expectations. Love them for who they are and what they are.

I've learned that when you beam love at someone, it bounces back to us in rewarding ways.

Think about it. Who doesn't love someone who loves them first?

I learned that from my very first newspaper editor. At the time, the foremost attorney in our area refused to accept phone calls from the press and refused to give a single comment. That attorney made

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one exception. He would tell me anything.

When I said I had no idea why the lawyer liked me so much, the wise editor asked me what I thought of the lawyer. "I love him," I said. "I admire all he does to help the poor and how he fights for the downtrodden."

My editor said that was my answer. The lawyer liked and trusted me because of my feelings for him.

"It's impossible not to respond positively to someone's love and sincere respect," my editor said.

That was decades ago but I never forgot his words. As the years passed, I've observed so many relationship problems that could be solved with a new perspective.

Instead of focusing on someone's faults, what would happen if we focused on their strengths instead?

Instead of dwelling on how someone hurt us, what if we remembered something good about them?

A few years back a close friend I've had for over 30 years hurt me tremendously. For absolutely no reason, she suddenly stopped talking to me and wouldn't explain what I did. Worse yet, we traveled in the same social circles, and when someone was having a party, she told them she refused to come if I was there.

Her spite for me affected our entire crowd.

But here's how I coped. I remembered all the wonderful things my friend had done for me over the years, especially how she was there for me during my husband's illness.

I told others she didn't have to do another blessed thing for me because I owed her a debt of gratitude for what she did in the past.

Just as suddenly as she stopped talking to me, she came back again, asking me to forgive her hurtful actions. I think her attitude changed when she heard I had nothing but love for her.

I've never believed in carrying grudges. They're too heavy and will weigh on your soul.

Call it the perspective one gains with the years.

The other week I listened to a 50-year-old woman say she can never forgive her mother for the hurtful things she did to her over the years.

What if she could focus on the good her mother did for her?

Call me a Pollyanna but I'll tell you this. There is some good in everyone. If we fill our hearts with love instead of resentment, do you know who gains?

We do. If you think all this is too much sweet syrup to swallow, don't worry.

When you get older you'll understand.

Contact Pattie Mihalik at newsgirl@comcast.net.



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From left: Bach Choir of Bethlehem artistic director and conductor Greg Funfgeld and English soprano Joanne Lunn, soloist with The Bach Collegium Japan at the Bach Choir Gala Concert.



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From left: Masaaki Suzuki, director, The Bach Collegium Japan, and Greg Funfgeld, artistic director and conductor, Bach Choir of Bethlehem, after the Nov. 7, 2015, Bach Choir Gala Concert, Central Moravian Church, Bethlehem, for which The Bach Collegium Japan performed.

## Preparing for a colonoscopy

**Q. My doctor says it's time for a colonoscopy. Please tell me I shouldn't worry about this exam.**

You definitely shouldn't worry. I've had the three major tests for colon cancer: sigmoidoscopy (very uncomfortable), barium enema (a nightmare) and colonoscopy.

I was given anesthesia for the colonoscopy and all I recall is getting on the examining table, feeling like I had a cocktail, and waking up in recovery as rested as if I had a late-afternoon nap on the beach.

The colon, or large bowel, is about a five-foot tube that connects the small intestine to the rectum. It removes water and nutrients from digested food.

The colonoscopy is the gold-standard procedure for colon-cancer detection. The colonoscope is a slender, flexible, lighted tube with a video camera at its tip. The examining physician inserts the tube into the rectum.

The scope inflates the colon to provide a better view. The camera sends pictures of the inside of the colon to a TV moni-

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tor. The exam takes 30 to 60 minutes.

During the procedure, a doctor can remove most abnormal growths such as polyps with tiny tools passed through the scope. Most polyps are benign, but some can turn into cancer. By getting the polyps early, a colonoscopy can avoid a major operation.

Patients are given pain medication and a moderate sedative. Discuss sedation with your doctor in advance. People I know who've had the procedure have experienced different degrees of alertness, recall and discomfort.

After the exam, you might feel some cramping or gas, but it should stop within an hour.

By the next day, you should feel normal. You'll probably need someone to take you home because it takes a while for the sedative to wear off.

If no abnormalities are found, you'll prob-

ably be told to come back for another exam in three to five years. If there are abnormalities, you may have to return more often.

Now for the bad news. The preparation for a colonoscopy is awful.

Preparations vary. You take pills or liquids to purge the colon completely. You may need an enema. You will spend a lot of time on the throne.

My doctor prescribed the liquids. They taste awful and you have to drink a lot of them. Next time, I plan to ask if I can take the pills.

During the 24 hours before the exam, you have to drink only clear, nonalcoholic liquids. You can eat only soft foods such as Jell-O. And nothing can be red because it could be confused with blood.

Your diet may permit liquids up to two to four hours before the exam. My doctor required total abstinence on exam day.

There are other colon exams available. These include CT colonography (virtual colonoscopy), sigmoidoscopy and barium enema.

CT colonography uses computed tomog-

raphy (CAT) scanning, a minimally-invasive procedure. CT colonography is an alternative for patients who are at risk of complications from colonoscopy such as patients who are frail. If a virtual colonoscopy finds significant polyps, they have to be removed by conventional colonoscopy.

Like a colonoscope, a two-foot sigmoidoscope is a slender, flexible, lighted tube with a tiny video camera linked to a monitor. In a sigmoidoscopy, the doctor inspects only the lower parts of the colon.

A barium enema, or lower gastrointestinal (GI) examination, is an X-ray procedure.

To make the intestine visible on an X-ray image, the colon is filled with a contrast material containing barium, a silver-white metal.

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## Closed sales of homes in LV increase 11.4 percent for 2015

Closed sales of homes in the Lehigh Valley closed out the year 2015 with the third straight month of decreased sales, according to statistics provided by the Greater Lehigh Valley Realtors (GLVR).

Closed sales were down 5.3 percent in December to 595 from 628 in December 2014. The decrease was larger than the November decrease of 0.2 percent and the October decrease of 0.3 percent.

For the year 2015, closed sales were up 11.4 percent to 7,345 from 6,592 for the year 2014.

"Prices continue to build traction, even after the Federal Reserve increased rates in December, and we expect a balanced market for the foreseeable future," said Jim Zurn, President of the GLVR.

Pending sales increased 42 percent in December to 544 from 383 in December 2014.

Days on the market decreased 10.8 percent in December to 66 from 74 in December 2014.

The months supply decreased 40.5 percent in December to 4.7 months from 7.9 months in December 2014.

Inventory decreased 30.2 percent in December to 3,042 from 4,359 in December 2014.

New listings decreased 16.8 percent in December to 505 from 607 in December 2014.

The average sales price increased 4.7 percent in December to \$197,173 from \$188,257 in December 2014.

The median sales price increased 4.4 percent in December to \$167,000 from \$159,950 in December 2014.

The percentage of list price received increased 0.8 percent in December to 96.6 percent from 95.8

percent in December 2014.

The affordability index decreased 1 percent.

"The residential housing market is a healthy piece of the economy. And within the industry, we've instituted better lending standards, which is contributing to the health of the market," said GLVR CEO Justin Poremba.

The Carbon County data for December 2015 showed closed sales up 53.6 percent, pending sales up 70 percent, and new listings down 1.2 percent. Median sales price is up 1.3 percent to \$119,000, with percentage of list price received 93 percent.

In addition to closed sales decreasing slightly in November and October in the Lehigh Valley, September was the first month in three months that closed sales did not increase in double digits.

In 2015 in the Lehigh Valley, closed sales increased by double digits in August, July, June, April and March, by single digits in February and January, and declined by single digits in May.

Here's an overview of Lehigh Valley house sales in 2015:

Closed sales in November decreased by 0.2 percent 504 from 505 in November 2014.

Closed sales in October decreased 0.3 percent to 660 from 662 in October 2014.

Closed sales in September increased 5.3 percent to 612 from 581 in September 2014.

Closed house sales in August increased 12.8 percent to 767 from 680 in August 2014.

Closed sales in July increased 13.8 percent to 774 from 680 in July 2014.

Closed sales in June increased 15.6 percent to 779 from 674 in June 2014.

Closed sales in May decreased 2.8 percent to 596 from 613 in May 2014.

Closed sales in April increased 10.5 percent to 507 from 459 in April 2014.

Closed sales in March increased 19 percent to 514 from 432 in March 2014.

Closed sales in February increased 4.3 percent to 339 from 325 in February 2014.

Closed sales in January increased 5.7 percent to 373 from 353 in January 2014.

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The monthly housing data is collected by the GLVR from its Multiple Listing Service, a comprehensive database that includes housing market information from its more than 2,000 Realtor members.

The GLVR is a not-for-profit trade association providing professional development and training resources, competitive market information, legislative advocacy, a peer review and mediation process for members, and a dispute resolution service for consumers.

The GLVR owns and operates the Greater Lehigh Valley Multiple Listing Service, the Greater Lehigh Valley Real Estate Academy and is publisher of Greater Lehigh Valley Real Estate Weekly.

Information: GreaterLehighValleyRealtors.com

# the Readers Pick Oscar Winners

Here is the entry form for the Lehigh Valley Press Focus section "Readers Pick the Oscars" recipients contest for the 88th Academy Awards:

### BEST PICTURE

- "The Big Short"
- "Bridge of Spies"
- "Brooklyn"
- "Mad Max: Fury Road"
- "The Martian"
- "The Revenant"
- "Room"
- "Spotlight"

### BEST ACTOR

- Bryan Cranston, "Trumbo"
- Matt Damon, "The Martian"
- Leonardo DiCaprio, "The Revenant"
- Michael Fassbender, "Steve Jobs"
- Eddie Redmayne, "The Danish Girl"

### BEST ACTRESS

- Cate Blanchett, "Carol"
- Brie Larson, "Room"
- Jennifer Lawrence, "Joy"
- Charlotte Rampling, "45 Years"
- Saoirse Ronan, "Brooklyn"

### BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR

- Christian Bale, "The Big Short"
- Tom Hardy, "The Revenant"
- Mark Ruffalo, "Spotlight"
- Mark Rylance, "Bridge of Spies"
- Sylvester Stallone, "Creed"

### BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS

- Jennifer Jason Leigh, "The Hateful Eight"
- Rooney Mara, "Carol"
- Rachel McAdams, "Spotlight"
- Alicia Vikander, "The Danish Girl"
- Kate Winslet, "Steve Jobs"

### DIRECTING

- Adam McKay, "The Big Short"
- George Miller, "Mad Max: Fury Road"
- Alejandro G. Iñárritu, "The Revenant"
- Lenny Abrahamson, "Room"
- Tom McCarthy, "Spotlight"

### ANIMATED FEATURE FILM

- "Anomalisa"
- "Boy and the World"
- "Inside Out"
- "Shaun the Sheep Movie"
- "When Marnie Was There"

### CONTEST INSTRUCTIONS

Email your Oscar Contest Entry Form to: [jfisher@tnonline.com](mailto:jfisher@tnonline.com); mail Entry Form to: Jennifer Fisher, The Press, 1633 N. 26th St., Allentown, Pa. 18104, or drop off Entry Form 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Friday, The Press offices, 1633 N. 26th St. (26th Street and Walbert Avenue), South Whitehall Township. Include name, address, telephone number and email. Your contact information will not be published. One entry per person. Entry deadline: 5 p.m. Feb. 26. In event of tie for most number of correct choices, earliest entry determines winner.

## 'Danish Girl' disappoints

"The Danish Girl" is a disconcerting film about a Danish landscape painter who undergoes gender reassignment surgery circa 1930.

Tom Hooper (Oscar director recipient, "The King's Speech," 2010; director, "Les Misérables," 2012) directs "The Danish Girl" from a screenplay by Lucinda Coxon ("Wild Target," 2010; "The Heart of Me," 2001) based on the novel, "The Danish Girl" (2000), by David Ebershoff.

The film, which is fictitious, is based on the lives of Danish artists and husband and wife, Lili Elbe and Gerda Gottlieb Wegener. The story revolves around their love for each other, especially when and after Elbe chooses to have gender reassignment surgery in Berlin, Germany, believed to be one of the first such surgeries. After a succession of surgeries, Elbe died in 1931.

Elbe, born Einar Magnus Andreas Wegener, was a successful artist. After transitioning, she legally changed her name to Lili Ilse Elvenes. Her autobiography, "Man Into Woman," was published in 1933.

"The Danish Girl" is nominated for four Oscars: Leading Actor (Eddie Redmayne), Supporting Actress (Alicia Vikander), Production Design (Eve Stewart, Michael Standish) and Costume Design (Paco Delgado).

"The Danish Girl" is fascinating in the first third to first half of the film, leading up to the decision by Einar (Redmayne) to have surgery. The interplay between Einar and Gerda (Vikander) and their friends and acquaintances in the Copenhagen and Paris art community and society has its moments.

However, once Gerda waves goodbye to Einar at the train station for his trip to Germany, the film becomes predictable. This is somewhat unavoidable because of the storyline.

### MOVIE REVIEW

By Paul Willistein  
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Credit Readers Anonymous: "The Danish Girl" was filmed in England, Denmark, Belgium, Germany, France and Norway.

Box Office: Jan. 15:

"Ride Along 2" zoomed to No. 1 with \$34 million for the Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend with "The Revenant" (a leading 12 Oscar nominations) staying at No. 2, with 12 Oscar nominations, \$29.5 million, \$87.6 million, four weeks, ending the four-week No. 1 run of "Star Wars: The Force Awakens" (five Oscar nominations), \$25.1 million, \$851 million, five weeks; with "13 Hours: The Secret Soldiers of Benghazi" opening at No. 4, with \$16 million;

5. "Daddy's Home," \$9.3 million, \$129.2 million, four weeks; 6. "Norm of the North," \$6.6 million, opening; 7. "The Forest," \$5.7 million, \$21.1 million, two weeks; 8. "The Big Short" (five Oscar nominations), \$5.2 million, \$50.5 million, six weeks; 9. "Sisters," \$4.4 million, \$81.8 million, five weeks; 10. "The Hateful Eight" (three Oscar nominations), \$3.4 million, \$47.6 million, four weeks.

Unreal, Jan. 22:

"Dirty Grandpa," R: Dan Mazer directs Robert De Niro, Zac Efron, Zoey Deutch and Aubrey Plaza in the comedy about a soon-to-be married young man who goes on spring break to Florida with his grandfather.

"The 5th Wave," PG-13: J Blakeson directs Chloë Grace Moretz, Matthew Zuk, Gabriela Lopez and Bailey Anne Borders in the science-fiction thriller about a young woman trying to save her younger brother from alien attacks.

"Mojave," R: William Monahan directs Oscar Isaac, Walton Goggins, Mark Wahlberg and Garrett Hedlund in the thriller about a suicidal artist who meets his match, a homicidal drifter, in the desert.

## 11th annual Heritage Week at DeSales University

The Salesian Center for Faith & Culture hosts the 11th annual Heritage Week at DeSales University, Jan. 24-28.

Events will be held to celebrate the legacy of St. Francis de Sales, patron of DeSales University. The events, except for Sunday's Mass in Connelly Chapel, are held in the DeSales University Center on the DeSales campus in Center Valley. All events are free and open to the public. No tickets are required.

The Most Reverend John O. Barres, D.D., bishop of Allentown, is guest homilist for the Mass of St. Francis de Sales, 8 p.m. Jan. 24.

Other events include: Forum on Biomedical Ethics on Healthcare and Culture, 7 p.m. Jan. 25, with Dr. Brian Nester, president-CEO, Lehigh Valley Health Network; John Nespoli, president-CEO, Sacred Heart Health Care System, and Richard A.

Anderson, president-CEO, St. Luke's University Health Network;

Seminar on Law & Society, 7 p.m. Jan. 26, with Prof. Robert P. George, J.D., D.PHIL, McCormick Professor of Jurisprudence and professor of politics, Princeton University; chair, U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom;

Town Hall on Social Communications on Catholic Media and Communications, 7 p.m. Jan. 27, with John Allen Jr., associate editor, The Boston Globe, and

The Joy of the Gospel by Pope Francis, the Wayne R. Kraft Memorial Lecture on Faith and Culture, 8 p.m. Jan. 28, with Rev. Thomas Rosica, C.S.B., CEO, Salt & Light Media; liaison at the Vatican Press Office.

Information: Salesian Center for Faith & Culture at DeSales University: [salesian@desales.edu](mailto:salesian@desales.edu); [desales.edu/salesian](http://desales.edu/salesian); 610-282-1100, ext. 1244

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Kevin Frucht, Pastor 9 a.m. Sunday School (Ages 3-103) 10:15 a.m. Worship Service Nursery Available Handicapped Accessible</p> <p><b>GRACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 902 Lincoln Ave. Northampton, PA 18067 The Rev. Heather N. Kurtz 610-262-7186 graceuccchurch.com 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Summer Worship 9:30 a.m. Handicapped Accessible</p> <p><b>HEIDELBERG U.C.C.</b> Irvin &amp; Church Roads Heidelberg Township Pastor Karen Yonney 610-767-4740 11 a.m. Worship Service 9:45 a.m. Sunday School Handicapped Accessible/AC www.ucheidelberg.org</p> <p><b>JORDAN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 1837 Church Road, Allentown (Corner of 309 &amp; Walbert Ave.) jordanucc.org 610-395-2218 Rev. Dr. David Charles Smith, Sr. Pastor 8 &amp; 10:30 a.m. Worship Services 9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages</p> <p><b>OLD ZIONSVILLE UCC</b> 5981 Fountain Rd., Old Zionsville (at the Y of Fountain Rd &amp; King's Hwy) The Rev. Lori Esslinger 610-966-3601 Home of the Village School Preschool, openings for ages 2-4 Worship 10:15 a.m. Sunday School 9 a.m. Sat. 11 a.m. All You Can Eat Breakfast www.oldzionsucc.org</p> <p><b>ST. JOHN'S U.C.C. FULLERTON</b> 575 Grape Street, Whitehall 18052 Rev. Dr. Becky J. Beckwith, Sr. Pastor Rev. George R. Ekestein, Assoc. Pastor 8:15 &amp; 10:45 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School Accessible &amp; Elevator Everyone is Welcome! 610-264-8421 stjohnsucc.pastor@rcn.com</p>	<p><b>ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 139 North Fourth St. Emmaus 610-965-9158 Sr. Pastor Rev. Dr. Paul Knappenberger 8 &amp; 10:30 a.m. Worship 9:15 Sunday School Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. Informal Worship</p> <p><b>ST. PAUL'S UCC OF INDIANLAND</b> 767 Almond Road Walnutport (Cherryville) 610-767-5751 Rev. Martin E. Nuscher 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Traditional Worship 8 a.m. Contemporary Worship, 2nd &amp; 4th Sunday Nursery Avail. Handicapped Accessible</p> <p><b>ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 19th St. &amp; Lincoln Ave. Northampton 610-261-2910 Rev. Todd Fennell 9 a.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. Worship Nursery &amp; Child Care provided Sally Jane Payson, Child Care Teacher Sanctuary, Handicapped Accessible</p> <p><b>SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 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</p> <p><b>UNION U.C.C.</b> 5550 Route 873 Neffs, PA 18065-0066 610-767-6961 www.unionucc.org 8 a.m. Heritage Worship 9:15 a.m. Education Hour (Sept.-May) 10:30 a.m. Horizon Worship</p> <p><b>ZIEGEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 9990 Ziegels Church Road Breinigsville, PA 18031 Phone: 610-285-6157 www.ziegelschurch.org Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship, 11:05 a.m. Handicapped Accessible Pastor Candi Cain -Borgman</p> <p><b>UNITED METHODIST</b></p> <p><b>BETHANY CHURCH</b> Macungie Campus 3801 Brookside Road 610-395-3613 Blended Worship, Sun. 8 a.m. Contemporary Worship 9:15 &amp; 11 a.m. (Child Care Available, Hearing Asst., Handicapped Access at all Services.) Wescosville Campus 1208 Brookside Rd. Catasauqua Campus 429 Walnut St., Catasauqua 610-395-3613 Contemporary Worship Sun. 9:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>WESLEYAN</b></p> <p><b>TRINITY WESLEYAN CHURCH</b> "Home of the Live Nativity" 6735 Cetrionia Road Allentown, PA 18106 610-398-1711 www.twcalleantown.org Rev. Gina Colburn, Pastor Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship (Blended) 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Family Night 7 p.m.</p>
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To have your religious services listed in The Press contact Joie Jackson Wenner at 610-740-0944 — Ext. 3703



## Emmaus Senior Citizens enjoy a karaoke program with David Loehr



Entertainer David Loehr asks Gloria Carl to take a turn singing at the Emmaus Senior Citizens meeting Jan. 15.



David Loehr entertains the Emmaus Senior Citizens with a karaoke program Jan. 15 at the meeting held at St. Matthew's E.C. Church, Ridge and Fifth streets, Emmaus. ABOVE: Marian Sell dances with David Loehr as he serenades her.

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Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

9x9 grid for Conceptis Sudoku puzzle with some numbers filled in.

Difficulty Level ★★★

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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.

Answer to previous puzzle

9x9 grid showing the solution to the previous puzzle.

Difficulty Level ★★★

LEHIGH COUNTY SENIOR MENUS

FOR LOCATIONS, CALL 610-782-3254

Wednesday, Jan. 20: Beef tips, mashed potatoes, carrots, banana.

Thursday, Jan. 21: Pork loin, mashed yams, braised red cabbage, oatmeal cookie.

Friday, Jan. 22: Breaded tilapia, couscous, beets, fresh fruit.

Monday, Jan. 25: Swedish meatballs, pasta, vegetable blend, fresh fruit.

Tuesday, Jan. 26: Mushroom chicken, brown rice, green beans, pineapple tidbits.

Wednesday, Jan. 27: Ham, whipped sweet potato, Brussel sprouts, angel food cake.

Thursday, Jan. 28: Meatloaf, whipped potatoes, peas and carrots, jello.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY SENIOR MENUS

FOR LOCATIONS, CALL 610-559-3245

Wednesday, Jan. 20: Chicken paprikash, wide noodles, broccoli, wheat bread with margarine, fresh fruit cup.

Thursday, Jan. 21: Roast pork with gravy, mashed sweet potatoes, Brussel sprouts, rye bread with margarine, Mandarin oranges.

Friday, Jan. 22: Fresh cream of mushroom soup, baked meatloaf with gravy, scalloped potatoes, red beets, wheat bread with margarine, fresh pineapple tidbits.

Monday, Jan. 25: Onion Romano soup, crab patty, au gratin potatoes, flame roasted corn, wheat bread with margarine, chilled peaches.

Tuesday, Jan. 26: Spaghetti with meatballs, parmesan cheese, tossed salad with Italian dressing, Italian bread with margarine, tropical fruit.

Wednesday, Jan. 27: "Winter Blues"-Chicken cordon blue, tri-color potato medley, garden blend vegetables, wheat bread with margarine, blueberry pie.

Thursday, Jan. 28: Macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, Romaine salad/French dressing, wheat bread with margarine, ambrosia.

American Heart Association logo and website information: Fighting Heart Disease and Stroke www.americanheart.org

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CRYPTOGRAM

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See solution on page B8

Today's Cryptoquip clue: W equals C

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

SOUNDS LIKE A SEASONAL SONG

ACROSS

- 1 Plans
7 Form of trapshooting
12 2001-09 U.S. pres.
15 BLT condiment
19 Creature on a slide
20 1923 Nobel-winning poet
21 Jump to clear
23 Start of a riddle
25 Making changes to
26 Preceder of tee
27 Pack animal
28 Pro-bono TV ad
29 Slanting
30 Riddle, part 2
37 "Now it's clear"
39 Big coffee container
40 Look lewdly
41 Gets dirty
42 Riddle, part 3
48 Rollaway bed
49 Turndowns
50 "O Sole —"
51 "—-hoo!"
52 Fit for consumption
55 "Thwack!"
57 On the — (escaping)
60 Juneau locale
63 Bullfight bull
66 Riddle, part 4
71 Quite heavy
73 "The rest — to you"
74 Cole Porter's "Well, Did You —?"
75 Mobile, e.g.
76 Riddle, part 5
80 Princely school
81 At peace
82 "Gloria in Excelsis —"
83 Cleans up copy
85 Tabriz residents
88 To the rear
91 Masters peg
92 Awful
95 Eggs
97 Riddle, part 6
102 Actress Palmer or Soprano Lehmann
105 Send out
106 "Alley —!"
107 Look lewdly
108 End of the riddle
114 Mojave, e.g.
115 IRS datum
116 Sculling need
117 Lofty poem
120 Sellers with cellars
123 Riddle's answer
126 Meet at a point
127 Inundate
128 Use mouthwash audibly
129 Really regrets
130 Ballpark amt.

15x15 crossword grid with numbers 1-131 indicating starting points for clues.

- 131 Plants of the lily family
132 Prize greatly

DOWN

- 1 Postpaid enc.
2 Ratite birds
3 #1-ranked tournament entrant
4 Summer mo.
5 Ship sinker
6 Outdated
7 Wd. of like meaning
8 Frat house beer bash
9 Depletes little by little
10 Hawke of "Hamlet"
11 Philosopher Lao- —
12 Fake peeper
13 Having good manners
14 Ulan —, Mongolia
15 Rita of "West Side Story"
16 Lead-in to fauna
17 Longing
18 Pt. of NOW
22 Diarist Samuel
24 Neighbor of Leb.
29 Realm
31 Neighbor of Kan.
32 Mon.-Wed. linkup
33 Architectural wing
34 Cry after a three-pointer

- 35 "Hold On Tight" rock gp.
36 Q-U linkup
37 Knighted actor Holm
38 —-cone
43 Thurman of the screen
44 Kelly of morning TV
45 Teasing knuckle rub
46 Silent film vamp Negri
47 Gorilla observer Fossey
53 Radar signal
54 Flogs
55 Suitable for a Seder table
56 "What — thinking?"
58 Work without — (act riskily)
59 Ovid's 1,506
61 Cousin of lotto
62 Yemeni port
63 T-bars, e.g.
64 Tony relative
65 Court do-overs
67 Newsmen Roger
68 Duel sword
69 Clock part
70 "It was forced on me"
72 Sicilian peak
77 Egg sources
78 Wyle of "ER"
79 In — of

- 84 — Aviv-Yafo
86 Potential ship sinkers
87 Writer W. — Maugham
89 Trudge
90 Like four-person basketball
92 "I say!"
93 WWW giant
94 As yet unpaid
95 Dated
96 Compete
98 "Sounder" director Martin
99 Ending for ordinals
100 PC "brain"
101 DeLuise or DiMaggio
103 Many flat-screens
104 Cara of "Fame"
109 French river
110 "It's — bet"
111 Body digit
112 Sponge
113 Killer whales
118 Mete
119 K-6: Abbr.
120 TiVo precursor
121 Debt memo
122 Vane dir.
123 Punting figs.
124 — and outs
125 Technique

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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Township of Whitehall is soliciting sealed bids for:  
**BID No. 16-02 "2016 STREET RESURFACING."** Sealed bids will be accepted on or before, Wednesday, February 24, 2016, 3:00 p.m. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud, Thursday, February 25, 2016, 3:00 p.m. at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052.

This project requires Prevailing Minimum Wages.  
Bid documents can be obtained at the Municipal Building or call 610-437-5524. They are also available online: [www.whitehalltownship.com](http://www.whitehalltownship.com), under administration, then purchasing tab.

MARY ANN MILLER, CPPO  
Purchasing Agent

Jan. 20, 27

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Upper Macungie Township Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on January 27th, 2016 at 6:30 P.M., at the Township Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville (one mile west of Route 100), to hear the following appeal:

**#01 16 002** The Zoning Appeal of **Salvador Galindo, 7819 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051**; for variances of;

**Section §27-402.NNN.(1)**, To operate a Veterinarian Office for small companion animal surgery on a lot with an area of less than 1.5 acres.

**Section §27-402.NNN.(2)**, To operate a Veterinarian Office for small companion animal surgery in a structure which is located less than 100 feet from a lot line of a primarily residential use.

The property is located along Main Street at the intersection of an Unnamed Alley and is situated in the NC (Neighborhood Commercial) Zoning District.

Applicants must appear at the hearing.  
All interested parties may appear and be heard.

Kyle Kuester, Zoning Officer

Jan. 13, 20

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
PASSED ORDINANCES**

The Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners, at a regular Public Meeting on Monday, January 11, 2016, held in the Public Meeting Room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA, approved the following legislation:

**ORDINANCE NO. 3039**

**TITLE:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER XXVII OF THE WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP CODIFIED ORDINANCES, ZONING, §27-194, DEFINITIONS, § 27-3, PURPOSES; AND § 27-41, JURISDICTION; ALL WITH RESPECT TO FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING REGULATIONS. (Legal & Legislative)

**ORDINANCE NO. 3040**

**TITLE:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO COMMUNICATIONS SITE LEASE AGREEMENT (GROUND) AND MEMORANDUM OF LEASE BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP AND AMERICAN TOWER ASSET SUB, LLC FOR A LAND LEASE ON RANGE ROAD, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL, COUNTY OF LEHIGH; AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA. (ADMIN/BOC)

The above Ordinances are available for review by the public in the Administration offices at Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Jan. 20

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF WHITEHALL-COPLAY SCHOOL DISTRICT'S INTENT TO APPLY FOR APPROVAL OF EXCEPTIONS PER ACT 1 OF 2006 (Act 1)**

The Whitehall-Coplay School District's (the District) Act 1 index for 2016-2017 is 3.1%. To permit an increase in the rate of tax by more than the index without seeking voter approval, Act 1 permits the District to apply for exception(s) from the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE). Upon receipt of the District's request, PDE determines whether or not to approve the request for exceptions. Based upon the Preliminary Budget adopted by the Whitehall-Coplay Board of School Directors on January 11, 2016 the District has decided to apply for approval of exception(s). To comply with the requirements of Act 1, the District at least one week prior to submitting its request for approval to PDE, is publishing in a newspaper of general circulation and on the District's publicly accessible internet site this notice of its intent to seek PDE approval. If PDE grants the exception(s), PDE will determine the dollar amount of the expenditure for which the exception(s) is sought and the tax rate increase to fund the exception(s). The increased tax revenues generated as a result of the PDE approval of the exception(s) may be used to balance the District's final 2016-2017 budget.

By order of the Whitehall-Coplay Board of School Directors,  
J. Michael Malay, Jr., Board Secretary

Jan. 20

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Township of Whitehall is soliciting Requests for Proposals for:  
**RFP No. 16-1 "CODES INSPECTOR/PLANS EXAMINER FOR WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP"**. Sealed Proposals will be accepted on or before, Wednesday, February 17, 2016, 3:00 p.m. Proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud, Thursday, February 18, 2016, 3:00 p.m. at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052.

A Pre-Proposal meeting will be held at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, on January 28, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.

The position requires a qualified Code Official, Plans Examiner and Inspector to perform duties pursuant to the PA Uniform Construction Code (Uniform Const. Code) and Whitehall Township Ordinances. Minimum qualifications for this position: Certification from Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry in the following categories: Building Inspector, Electrical Inspector, Mechanical Inspector, Plumbing Inspector, Energy Inspector, Building Plans Examiner, Electrical Plans Examiner, Mechanical Plans Examiner, Plumbing Plans Examiner, Energy Plans Examiner, Building Code Official, Accessibility Plans Examiner, Accessibility Inspector and certification with the State of Pennsylvania as a third party inspection agency.

Bid documents can be obtained at the Municipal Building or call 610-437-5524. They are also available online: [www.whitehalltownship.com](http://www.whitehalltownship.com), under administration, then purchasing tab.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
(Lehigh and Northampton Counties, Pennsylvania)**

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCURRENCE OF NON-ELECTORAL DEBT**

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Board of School Directors of the CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Lehigh and Northampton Counties, Pennsylvania (the "School District"), at a meeting duly called and held on January 12, 2016, adopted a resolution (the "Resolution") authorizing the incurrance of non-electoral debt by the School District through the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series of 2016, in the aggregate principal amount of \$9,995,000 (the "Bonds").

The proceeds of the Bonds, as well as other available funds of the School District, will be used for purposes of: (1) the current refunding of a portion of the School District's outstanding General Obligation Notes, Series of 2006; and (2) paying the costs and expenses related to the issuance of the Bonds. The Resolution approves the sale of the Bonds at a private sale by negotiation and accepts a proposal for the purchase of the Bonds from RBC Capital Markets LLC, at a purchase price of not less than 99.42% of the principal amount of the Bonds net original issue discount and an underwriting discount of 0.875%. Pursuant to the terms of the Resolution and the purchase proposal, the Bonds will bear interest at rates ranging from 1.00% to 4.00%, mature on February 15 of each year from 2017 through 2036, inclusive, in varying maximum principal amounts ranging from \$5,000 to \$995,000.

A summary of the Resolution was advertised on January 6, 2016, and the proposed text of the Resolution was available for inspection at the Business Office of the School District, in accordance with the requirements of the Pennsylvania Local Government Unit Debt Act, as codified by the Act of December 19, 1996, (P.L. 1158, No. 177) (the "Act").

During final adoption of the Resolution, the proposed Resolution previously on file at the Business Offices of the School District was completed: (i) to establish the purchase price of the Bonds at \$9,995,000, (ii) to identify the paying agent as Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company, and (iii) to set forth the terms of the accepted bond proposal on the terms set forth above and various details of the Bonds.

The full text of the Resolution described above may be examined by any citizen in the Administration Office of the School District located at 201 North 14th Street, Catasauqua, PA, on business days during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This Notice is given in accordance with the requirements of and in compliance with Section 8003 the Act.

Duane Daitrich, Secretary  
Catasauqua Area School District

Jan. 20

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
BOROUGH OF CATASAUQUA  
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MEETING**

The Civil Service Commission of the Borough of Catasauqua will hold a meeting:

**DATE:** Monday, January 25, 2016  
**TIME:** 6:00 pm  
**PLACE:** Catasauqua Municipal Building  
118 Bridge Street  
Catasauqua, PA 18032  
**PURPOSE:** General Business

Eugene L. Goldfeder, Borough Manager

Jan. 20

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **ROBERT FREDERICK, a/k/a ROBERT E. FREDERICK**, deceased, late of 3406 Thomas Street, Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **Adreinne Marquette**, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or her Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **GREGORY J. OSWALD, JR.**, deceased, late of Allentown, County of Lehigh and State of 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: **Executrix: Donna Hartenstein**  
Address: 1056 Walnut Drive  
Danielsville, PA 18038  
or to her Attorney: **Joshua D. Shulman, Esquire SHULMAN & SHABBICK**  
1935 Center Street  
Northampton, PA 18067

Jan. 6, 13, 20

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ESTATE OF DOROTHY D. HOPPES**, Decedent, late North Whitehall Township, 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: **Executors: Robert E. Hoppes, Jr. and Darrell R. Hoppes c/o Jon A. Swartz, Esquire, 7736 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051.**

Attorney: **Jon A. Swartz, Esquire**  
7736 Main Street  
Fogelsville, PA 18051  
Jan. 6, 13, 20

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **FRANCES M. SPOLETI**, late of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Administration 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:  
**Executors: DEBRA M. FETSURKA and CATHERINE F. MARTIN**  
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 Avenue  
Suite 103  
Allentown, PA 18104-1360

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**BIDS WANTED**  
Sealed electronic bids will be received by the Lehigh County Schools Joint Purchasing Board, until 2:00 p.m., February 12, 2016 for the following:

**Science Supplies**

All bids will be exclusively received and processed through the eSchoolmall easyBid application process at [www.eSchoolmall.com](http://www.eSchoolmall.com); the failure to follow this process (no paper submissions will be considered) will disqualify the bid submission. Bid instructions and specifications can be obtained from Andrew Barnett at 610-769-4111, ext. 1682 or [barnetta@cliu.org](mailto:barnetta@cliu.org). Bids will be opened at 2:00 p.m. on February 12, 2016.  
Patricia T. Bader LCSJPB Board Chairperson  
Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS  
THE CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT** will receive sealed bids in the District Administration Office, 201 North 14th Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032 until 10:00 a.m. (prevaling time), Thursday, February 4, 2016, for **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL / HIGH SCHOOL NETWORK SWITCHES, WIRELESS ACCESS POINTS, AND RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT**. Bids will be publicly opened at the District Administration Office and read aloud immediately following the deadline for receipt.

Prospective bidders may review and obtain bidding documents at the District Administration Office at the above address, by calling 610-264-5571, extension #0, or on the District web site at [www.cattysd.org](http://www.cattysd.org). Bids must be submitted on regular forms provided by the School District and shall be sealed in an envelope identified with the bidder's name and marked "BID FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL / HIGH SCHOOL NETWORK SWITCHES, WIRELESS ACCESS POINTS, AND RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT." Prospective bidders shall furnish their name, name of representative, mailing address, e-mail address, telephone number, and facsimile number at the time they obtain bidding documents. If they obtain the bidding documents from the District web site, prospective bidders shall furnish this information by completing the contact form on the web site.

A Performance Bond and a Payment Bond in the forms provided in the bidding documents, each in an amount equal to 100% of the amount of the contract and with satisfactory corporate surety shall be required to be furnished by the successful bidder together with the final contract. The surety on all bonds must have a rating of A- or better by the A.M. Best Company or equivalent rating by another nationally-recognized rating organization, and be legally authorized to provide such a bond in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. In lieu of a Performance Bond or a Payment Bond, the successful bidder may provide a Letter of Credit which serves as security for the same purpose and in the same amount as the Performance Bond or Payment Bond, as the case may be. A Letter of Credit must conform to the requirements in the bidding documents and must be an irrevocable standby letter of credit issued by a Federal or Commonwealth chartered lending institution authorized to do business in Pennsylvania and issue such letters of credit, maintaining an office within twenty (20) miles of the District Administration Office at which the Letter may be presented for payment.

All bidders MUST attend a MANDATORY pre-bid Meeting and Walk-Through on Friday, January 22, 2016, commencing at 10:00 a.m. at Catasauqua Area School District Administration Office, 201 North 14th Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032. In the event Catasauqua Area School District schools are closed due to inclement weather on that date, the MANDATORY pre-bid Meeting and Walk-Through will be held on the next date such schools are in session, commencing at 10:00 a.m.

All Bids shall be irrevocable, and may not be modified, withdrawn, or cancelled, for sixty (60) calendar days after the bid opening date. The CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT reserves the right in its discretion to reject any or all Bids or parts thereof or items therein and to waive any defects, errors, omissions, mistakes, irregularities, informalities, or technicalities.

This contract is subject to the Prevailing Wage Determination of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Labor and Industry, dated January 5, 2016, serial number 16-00025.

Catasauqua Area School District  
Robert J. Spengler, Superintendent

Jan. 13, 20, 27

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Township of Whitehall is soliciting sealed bids for:  
**BID No. 16-03 "THE MAINTENANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OWNED STREET LIGHTS"**. Sealed Proposals will be accepted on or before, Wednesday, February 24, 2016, 3:00 p.m. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud, Thursday, February 25, 2016, 3:15 p.m. at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052.

A Pre-Proposal meeting will be held at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building on February 4, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. Attendance is highly recommended.  
Bid documents can be obtained at the Municipal Building or call 610-437-5524. They are also available online: [www.whitehalltownship.com](http://www.whitehalltownship.com), under administration, then purchasing tab.

MARY ANN MILLER, CPPO  
Purchasing Agent

Jan. 20, 27

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
MEETING NOTICE**

The Regular Board Meeting of the Northampton County Housing Authority will be held on Monday, January 25, 2016 at 4:00 P.M. at Oliver Border House, 15 South Wood Street, Nazareth, PA 18064.

Please contact Mr. Beers if there are any questions at: (610) 965-4514, Ext. 210.  
Daniel Beers, Executive Director

Jan. 20

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
ESTATE OF ELEANOR ROSE MARKS**

deceased, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, PA. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to: **PATRICIA A. MARKS**, Executrix

c/o Robert A. Weinert, Esq.  
512 Hamilton St. - Suite 405  
Allentown, PA 18101

Or the Executor's Attorney:  
**Robert A. Weinert, Esq.**  
512 Hamilton St. - Suite 405  
Allentown, PA 18101

Jan. 6, 13, 20

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **RUSSELL R. KERSTETTER**, deceased, late of the 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 all the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:

**David R. Kerstetter, Executor**  
c/o John O. Stover, Jr., Esquire  
537 Chestnut Street  
Emmaus, PA 18049

or to his attorney: **John O. Stover, Jr., Esquire**  
537 Chestnut Street  
Emmaus, PA 18049

Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Estate of RAY S. ADAM**, 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:

**Terri R. Sheer, Executrix**  
c/o YOUNG & YOUNG  
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.  
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.  
119 E. Main Street  
Macungie, PA 18062

Or to her Attorney: **YOUNG & YOUNG**  
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.  
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.  
119 E. Main Street  
Macungie, PA 18062

Jan. 6, 13, 20

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Estate of LORETTA C. SCHEFFLEY**, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

**Cheryl K. Sarangoulis, Executrix**  
c/o YOUNG & YOUNG  
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.  
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.  
119 E. Main Street  
Macungie, PA 18062

Or to her Attorney: **YOUNG & YOUNG**  
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.  
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.  
119 E. Main Street  
Macungie, PA 18062

Jan. 13, 20, 27

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Estate of MARION L. DIEHL**, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

**Priscilla M. Schlegel, Executrix**  
c/o YOUNG & YOUNG  
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.  
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.  
119 E. Main Street  
Macungie, PA 18062

Or to her Attorney: **YOUNG & YOUNG**  
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.  
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.  
119 E. Main Street  
Macungie, PA 18062

Jan. 13, 20, 27

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Estate of RUBY A. DICKSON, a/k/a RUBY ANN DICKSON, a/k/a RUBY DICKSON**, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

**Bonnie L. Reinert, Executrix**  
c/o YOUNG & YOUNG  
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.  
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.  
119 E. Main Street  
Macungie, PA 18062

Or to her Attorney: **YOUNG & YOUNG**  
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.  
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.  
119 E. Main Street  
Macungie, PA 18062

Jan. 13, 20, 27

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Estate of PETER V. FRITSCH, a/k/a PETER FRITSCH, a/k/a PETER VICTOR FRITSCH**, 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:

**Craig Roper, Co-Executor**  
**Constance L. Fritch, Co-Executor**  
c/o YOUNG & YOUNG  
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.  
Lia K. Snyder, 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. 13, 20, 27

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ESTATE NOTICE**  
Estate of **CHARLES P. BEDNARIK a/k/a CHUCK BEDNARIK**, deceased, late of Upper Saucon Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **Emma M. Bednarik, Executrix, c/o Samuel R. Kasick, Esquire, 523 West Linden Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania 18101. Attorney: Samuel R. Kasick, Esquire, 523 West Linden Street, Allentown, PA 18101.**  
Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ESTATE OF CINDY L. MEAGHER**, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, PA. 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 S. MENCARINI**  
2025 Waterside Drive #113  
Frederick, MD 21701

or to her attorney, **Steckel and Stopp, By: Charles A. Waters, at 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080.**  
Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ESTATE OF MILDRED M. FOULK**, deceased, late of Slatington, 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:

**LANNY LEWIS**  
PO BOX 184  
Slatedale, PA 18079  
**ANNETTE DIEHL**  
8459 Deer Road  
Slatington, PA 18080

Executors, or to their attorney, **Steckel and Stopp, By: Charles W. Stopp, at 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080.**  
Jan. 13, 20, 27

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ESTATE OF MARGARET CALECA**, deceased, late of Washington Township, Lehigh County, PA. 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:

**MARGARET A. GADWELL**  
6637 LEAH DRIVE  
SLATINGTON, PA 18080

or to her attorney, **Steckel and Stopp, By: Charles W. Stopp, at 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080.**  
Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Borough Council of the Borough of Coplay, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, will be accepting letters of interest from registered electors of the Borough of Coplay to fill the vacancy of Coplay Mayor. Any registered elector, who has resided continuously within the Borough of Coplay for at least one year and who is interested in filling this vacancy, may deliver a formal letter of interest between January 21, 2016 and February 2, 2016 at 3 PM, to the Coplay Borough Office located at 98 South 4th Street, Coplay, PA 18037. In addition to a letter of interest, applicants must attend the February 2, 2016 Council Workshop Meeting at 7 PM for an open interview process.

Sandra A Gyecek,  
Borough Secretary/Treasurer

40 LOST & FOUND

LOST 17" small box chain w/ 1/2" cross & angel pendant on 1/14 at South Mall, Lehigh St., Allentown. in mall in front of Freeman Jewelers. Given to me when I was terminally ill 20 years ago, now facing MS. Not just a piece of jewelry but part of me. REWARD! 610-730-4824

150 WHO CAN DO IT

Your Honey-Do Handyman - From changing a light bulb or faucet to remodeling your bathroom or kitchen, refinishing your basement or building your deck - I can do it all! Prompt, professional, courteous, ethical service. Fully insured. PA# 056562 (610)837-7445

390 HELP WANTED

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/RECEPTIONIST: UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP is seeking qualified applicants for a full-time hourly position of Administrative Assistant/Receptionist. This position will be the first line of contact with the public. The position will entail a variety of office duties such as, greeting visitors, customer service, routing incoming telephone calls, assisting the public with various applications, prepares correspondence, as well as filing, scanning and inputting data. The receptionist will provide general administrative and clerical support to various staff members, as needed. This position requires a basic knowledge of administrative and clerical procedures, customer service principles and practices, Right to Know Act and municipal government, as well as experience with modern office equipment technology and common office software knowledge. Must be able to communicate effectively, possess great customer service, able to prepare letters and reports. The successful applicant shall have a minimum of years (2) years' experience as an administrative assistant, possess strong computer skills and be willing to learn, must be reliable & possess attention to detail. Applicants should send resume, cover letter, employment references & salary expectations to UMT, attn.: Greta Slifer, Human Resources Coord., 8330 Schantz Rd., Breinigsville, PA 18031 or email: hradmin@uppermac.org by January 25, 2016. EOE/ADA employer. Exc. benefits.

390 HELP WANTED

\$15 PER HOUR Telephone Work No Cold Calling Paid training. FT/PT Hourly + commission and bonus. FT benefits include vacation, sick time, paid holidays, profit sharing and medical plan. EOE. Call Jo: 610-266-9068

390 HELP WANTED

Drivers: Local, Home Nightly! Hazleton Flat-bed. Excellent Pay. Benefits! CDL-A, 1yr Exp. Req. Estenson Logistics. Apply: www.goelc.com 1-855-902-6394

390 HELP WANTED

Drivers: LOCAL, Pottsville/Hazleton 1st year make up to \$72,000! Home Daily! No-Touch Freight! Excellent Comprehensive Benefits! 2yrs CDL-A exp call Penske Logistics: 855-395-1826

390 HELP WANTED

Machine Operator FT positions avail. in Whitehall. Mon.-Fri. 7am-4:30pm. \$11.50/hr. Candidate must have general machining exp. Apply on web: www.htss-inc.com, then call Arlyce 610-432-4161 ext. 33.

390 HELP WANTED

Now Hiring - Data Entry Opportunities BerkHR, is currently seeking Part-Time Data Entry Clerks to fill Seasonal positions working with BerkOne in their imaging department. Job includes scanning, entering data, and reviewing scanned document images. Strong attention to detail required. Must type minimum of 6,000 KPH (10-key), and sit for long periods of time. Must be fast and accurate. Position subject to criminal background check and clean drug screen. Jobs start in February and March. 1st and 2nd shift available. 25 hours per week. \$9.00 - \$9.90/hr. + potential to earn incentives based on production and quality. Equal Opportunity Employer. Apply in person: Every Tuesday and Thursday, 9 am -11 am (Jan. 12th through March 15th) Berkheimer One-Source 1530 Valley Center Parkway, Suite 200 Bethlehem, PA 18017

390 HELP WANTED

Warehouse FT positions avail. for Behr Paint in Fogelsville, Mon-Fri, 3pm-11:30pm or Sun-Thurs, 11pm-7:30am. Starts at \$12.75/hr. plus weekly bonus and year-end bonus. Accepting applications. Call HTSS 610-432-4161, ext. 33 or apply at www.htss-inc.com HTSS Inc., 860 Broad St., Ste. 111, Emmaus, PA 18049.

60 SPECIAL NOTICES

We are looking for people that worked at Bethlehem Steel at the Cornwall Plant from mid 1950s to the early 1970s, at the Lebanon Plant in the early 1970s, and at the Steelton Plant from the mid 1970s until the mid 1980s, please contact Investigator Sherry Day at (734) 878-5236 or email Sherry@SLDInvestigations.com.

220 ARTICLES WANTED

OLD BOOKS, OLD TOYS, FURNITURE, GLASSWARE, etc Call Linda 610-837-0960

310 PETS & PET SUPPLIES

Cocker Spaniels for Sale Female DOB 1/13 - Male DOB 11/13 Loving, Playful, Spayed/Neutered. Asking \$450 ea. Call or Text Mike @ 610-781-1418

150 WHO CAN DO IT

WENZ TAX SERVICE 484-330-1125 Quality, Personal Service with Reasonable Rates. Federal, State, Local, and E-File. Call Today for a FREE Quote. wenztaxservice.com Taxes-Payroll-Bookkeeping Locations in Walnutport & Allentown

390 HELP WANTED

Warehouse FT positions avail. in E. Greenville/Quaker-town areas. Dayshift and noon-8:30pm shifts avail. \$12.00-\$12.25/hr. Load/unload trucks. Apply on web: www.htss-inc.com then Arlyce 610-432-4161, ext. 33.

Word search puzzle with words like SETS, SUP, SKEET, GWB, MAYO, AMOEBA, YEATS, LEAPOVER, etc.

Catasauqua Area School District Needs Substitute Kitchen Workers. Potential for "Permanent Positions" Flexible Daytime, Weekday Hours! Details: Email muthersb@cattysd.org Or Call Dan at 610-697-0111, 7, 2

Christian Learning Center in Allentown is seeking part-time teacher aides for morning and evening shifts, approximately 4 hours per day. 3 state/federal clearances required along with a physical. Send resume to yidare@aol.com.

Cleaners Wanted Residential & Commercial

Must be detailed, energetic, reliable & be a team player. Must have valid driver's license. Exp. preferred but willing to train. For more information: 610-799-2473 or cleanups@ptd.net

Drivers: CO & OIOP's

Earn great money Running Dedicated! Great Hometown and Benefits. Monthly Bonuses. Drive Newer Equipment! 855-582-2265

Drivers: Great Home Time. Excellent Pay Package. BCBS/Dental/Vision. No-Touch, Plenty of Miles, Bonus Program & Great Trucks. CDL-A 888-406-9046

Machine Operators

FT positions avail. in Fogelsville. 7pm-7am, no exp. nec., company will train. Apply on web: www.htss-inc.com, then call Arlyce 610-432-4161, ext. 33.

Mail Processors

BerkHR is currently seeking Part Time Mail Processors to fill Seasonal positions working with BerkOne to process large volumes of mail in our Danielsville Office. Job includes opening, sorting, and prepping mail to be scanned. Strong attention to detail required. Must have the ability to lift up to 20 pounds, sit for long periods of time, and be able to work with numbers. Must be fast and accurate. Position subject to criminal background check and clean drug screen. Jobs start in February and March. 1st shift. 25 hours per week, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM, M-F. \$9.00/hr. + potential to earn incentives based on production and quality. Equal Opportunity Employer. Apply in person: Every Wednesday, 9 am - 11 am (Jan. 13th through March 16th) 4000 Mountain View Drive Danielsville, PA 18038 (parking and entrance in back of building)

Forklift Operators

Seeking experienced high-reach operators! All shifts avail. in Orefield/Schnecksville area. Prev. exp required. Pay based on experience. Apply in person at HTSS, 860 Broad St., Ste. 111, Emmaus, PA; or apply online www.htss-inc.com. 610-432-4161

HOUSEHOLD HELPER, PT Mon.-Fri. afternoons.

Cooking w/recipes, dry mopping, light dusting, laundry, Must have car. Reliable & ref's req'd. Local S. Allentown, Salisbury Twp.. \$10/hr. 610-797-9429

Production

Large manufacturing co. in Kutztown/Lyons area, hiring tempers. 2nd shift, heavy lifting. Pay starts at \$10.70/hr. Perm. Pay starts at \$17.80/hr. plus bonuses. HTSS, 860 Broad St., Ste. 111, Emmaus, PA. Call 610-432-4161 or apply at www.htss-inc.com

Machine Operators

FT positions avail. in Whitehall. Mon.-Fri. 7am-4:30pm. \$11.50/hr. Candidate must have general machining exp. Apply on web: www.htss-inc.com, then call Arlyce 610-432-4161 ext. 33.

PT FLORAL DESIGNER

needed. Must have some floral design exp. You will be assisting in floral design, & taking orders over the phone and at the cash register. Some computer experience is necessary. Hrs. Mon.-Fri. & some Saturdays req. Please call 610-867-4629

Production

FT & PT positions avail. in Fogelsville Brewing 8 hr & 12 hr. shifts. \$12/hr. w/increases up to \$16/hr. Apply in person at HTSS, 860 Broad St., Ste. 111, Emmaus, PA. Call 610-432-4161 or apply at www.htss-inc.com

RECEPTIONIST / CHIROPRACTIC ASSISTANT: PT,

mostly evenings. M-F 4-8:30PM, alternating Sat AM. Be reliable & professional. Ref req'd. Apply in person or fax 610.791.9691 1850 E. Emmaus Ave, Allentown.

WAREHOUSE

FT permanent positions avail. in Breinigsville. 6am-2:30pm, no exp. necessary. \$12/hr. plus up to \$4/hr. incent. Pay increase and full benefits after probation. HTSS, 860 Broad St., Ste. 111, Emmaus, PA. Call 610-432-4161, ext. 36. Apply in person! No apt. needed. Spanish-speaking welcome!

Warehouse

FT positions avail. for Behr Paint in Fogelsville, Mon-Fri, 3pm-11:30pm or Sun-Thurs, 11pm-7:30am. Starts at \$12.75/hr. plus weekly bonus and year-end bonus. Accepting applications. Call HTSS 610-432-4161, ext. 33 or apply at www.htss-inc.com HTSS Inc., 860 Broad St., Ste. 111, Emmaus, PA 18049.

WAREHOUSE

FT positions in Quaker-town. Mon-Fri, 7am-4:30pm or noon to 8:30pm. \$12.25/hr. Apply in person at HTSS, 860 Broad St., Ste. 111, Emmaus, PA. Call 610-432-4161, ext. 33 or apply at www.htss-inc.com

PT OFFICE ASSISTANT

for busy Pediatric Therapy office. Friendly, pleasant individual who is also avail. some evenings. Computer skills req'd. Please fax resume to 610-820-7671

RECEPTIONIST / CHIROPRACTIC ASSISTANT: PT,

mostly evenings. M-F 4-8:30PM, alternating Sat AM. Be reliable & professional. Ref req'd. Apply in person or fax 610.791.9691 1850 E. Emmaus Ave, Allentown.

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420 BABYSITTING & CHILD CARE

ENJOY Children? Join the So Le Hi Kid Care team. Located in Coopersburg. Perm. PT position avail. immed. M-F, 3:30 - 6pm, additional hrs. avail. Clearances req'd. Call 610-282-2373.

430 JOB WANTED

Bookkeeper/Secretary looking for work. \$8/hr. 610-216-1719

510 APARTMENTS UNFURNISHED

CATASAUQUA 1, 2 & 3 BR apts. Quiet country setting. Close to schools & shopping. No pets. 610-264-5106

EGYPT - 2 BR newly remod. 2nd flr. Laun. rm. & storage area. Sec. Dep. & Credit Chk. No pets. \$800/mo. 610-262-2479.

Fullerton-Whitehall

1 BR, porch, balcony, mod. kit. & bath, w/w carpet, non smoking & no pets. \$750/mo. 610-264-2921

HANOVER TWP. - 2nd flr. 2 BR 2 ba. condo. at Southland. Walk-in closet, laun. rm. in unit. Beau. views. Cov. deck, 2 pkg. spaces, storage area. New flooring, new carpet, freshly painted, pool, tennis courts, community rm., walking trails. No pets. \$1295/mo. Sec. & Credit. 1 yr. lease. 610-694-0421

530 ROOMS FOR RENT

Furnished room for rent in North Catty. \$500/mo. incl. util. 610-462-7167 ask for Dave.

610 WANTED TO BUY

ALL ANTIQUES, Furniture, Quilts, Dishes, Toys, Rugs, Attic Items, Holiday Decorations, Jewelry, Men's Watches, Military, Crocks, etc. FREE ESTIMATES DAVE IRONS ANTIQUES 610-262-9335

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Kentucky rifles. old ammo, hunting licenses, knives, swords, military helmets. Powder horns. Traps. Totems. House calls made. 610-417-0909

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WANT TO OWN YOUR OWN BUSINESS?? When it comes to earnings or locations, there are no guarantees! Call the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Bureau of Consumer Protection at (610) 821-6690 or the Federal Trade Commission at (877) FTC-HELP for free information. Or visit our Web site at www.ftc.gov/bizop

830 CARS & TRUCKS FOR SALE

1988 CHEVY 3500 w/util. body. Some rust but overall gd. shape. Pics avail. \$1300 obo. 267-342-2910.

New Tripoli Bank advertisement. Receptionist/Teller position available. Seeking motivated, outgoing, professional person with excellent customer service and telephone skills. Ann Bavaria, VP Human Resources, New Tripoli Bank, 7747 Claussville Road, Orefield, PA 18069. Or e-mail: abavaria@newtripolibank.net

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Hiring HVAC Technician. Join our team in a positive, Christian work environment. Job Requirements: Customer Service Skills, Strong Mechanical Skills, Troubleshooting Skills, Completed Training, Clean Driving Record, Flexible Working Hours, Avail. for On-call Rotation, Ability to Lift min 75lbs. Responsibilities Include: Develop excellent customer rapport, perform all service, repairs & installations to excellent standards and complete all paperwork accurately. Must be honest & have integrity with a positive, motivated outlook on life and be able to relate as an outstanding team player with other coworkers. Full Time Benefits: Medical, Full Uniforms, Year End Bonus, Paid Vacation, Paid Holidays, Overtime Pay. GREEN ACRES FUEL 1176 Mickley Rd. Whitehall, PA 18052 Apply Now At: GreenAcres.info/Apply Or Call: (610)-562-1215

IMMEDIATE HELP NEEDED Cafeteria/Food Server St. John Neumann Regional School is seeking a Cafeteria/Food Server to work at 641 W. Washington Street in Slatington. Approximately 2 hours per day/ 10 hours per week. Open to possibility of hiring one person to work 5 days OR two people to work 2-3 days per week, depending on interest. Please call 610-826-2354 to apply. EOE

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