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Wolf boosts schools, juggles taxes

To pay for property tax cuts, Wolf wishes to raise income taxes from 3.07 percent to 3.7 percent and sales tax from 6 to 6.6 percent.

By NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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Governor Tom Wolf issued his proposed \$29.9 billion budget for 2015-16 recently with a focus on employment and education resolved through tax reform.

The tax section in particular will likely prove a challenge for the first-year governor to sell, as he proposes reducing pension capital and raising income and sales taxes to invest in property tax relief. Publications in Harrisburg and Pittsburgh report very little legislative support for such a shift in the tax policy.

To pay for property tax cuts, Wolf

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wishes to raise income taxes from 3.07 percent to 3.7 percent and sales tax from 6 to 6.6 percent. Taxes on cigarettes will increase by \$1 and other tobacco products would now also be taxed.

Meanwhile on education, Wolf calls for a massive \$400 million increase over last year's education funding by taxing natural gas operations as other states have done.

The budget is the first phase of a four-year goal to increase pre-k-12 investment by \$2 billion, citing successful, thriving students as a foundation for a similarly thriving com-

monwealth. Wolf wants the state's education funding to match or exceed that of local communities for the first time, and includes an additional \$100 million for Pre-K Counts and \$20 million for Head Start to supplement low-income children's education.

Additionally, Wolf wants funding reform for charter and cyber charter schools, specifically recommending annual audits of cyber charter schools and requiring they reimburse supporting school districts' funds collected but not spent on students.

Bethlehem Area School District Superintendent Dr. Joe Roy calls the education plan very positive, See **BUDGET** on Page A2

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PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

What did you think when San Francisco 49ers' linebacker Chris Borland retired after only one year because of long term health concerns?



"I'm a 49ers' fan and it was a shock. He has to do what's best for him."
Anthony Lambert
 Harmony, N.J.



"You don't make a decision like that based on money. If he has legitimate concerns about his health, is the money worth the risk? I don't think so."

E.J. Powers
 Bethlehem

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- **Bernie O'Hare, Nate Jastrzemi, Dawn Nixon** - Second Place - Ongoing news - Karen Dolan issue - several stories are part of this package - Begins with "What happened to our money?"
- **Katya Hrichak** (2014 summer intern) - First Place - Series - Student loan crisis
- **Carol Smith** - First Place - Business or consumer story - Keeping his dream alive dream alive
- **Paul Willistein** - Second Place - Feature beat writing - Turtle Island Quartet, Nellie McKay; A life of art; Ninth annual ABEs salute LV Stage
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- **Paul Willistein** - First Place - Headline writing - 'Smaug' alert for 'The Hobbit'; Well, hello, Dali, at Baum School auction; In 'Heaven,' there is no bier
- **Ed Courier** - First Place - Graphic/photo illustrations - VA Wait List Scandal.

BILLY GUTH LAID TO REST



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

Emergency vehicles from throughout the Lehigh Valley proceed to Holy Savior Cemetery in Bethlehem for the burial of William Guth Jr.

Life saver given fond farewell

By NATE JASTRZEMSKI
njastrzemi@tnonline.com

He was easy to spot. He was cruising by in emergency vehicles, lights and sirens blaring. He was at the hospitals, offering constant support. He was in meetings with countless officials and residents seeking to better the community. And he was in Payrow Plaza, surrounded by excited children, grinning widely as he coaxed them to light the towering Christmas tree.

William "Billy" Guth Jr., a man generous with his time and energy for decades, died March 14 at the age of 57.

Guth is remembered by countless colleagues



PRESS PHOTO BY TIM GILMAN

Bethlehem Emergency Medical Services members carry the casket of William Guth Jr. following a memorial service at Christ Church UCC this past Saturday. Family members and friends of the late Bill Guth exit from the Bethlehem church.

and friends as a member and supervisor of Bethlehem's Emergency Medical Services department for 35 years. He was an Eagle Scout, Bethlehem Township paramedic, CPR instructor, volunteer emergency squad member in Fountain Hill, Nazareth Speedway firefighter and former chair of the Eastern Pa. EMS Conference.

Fellow EMS responder Chris Post said he was saddened while perusing his personal photo archive for images of his friend, looking for prototypical moments to share via Facebook. "I have had the pleasure of knowing Billy since 1993. He was a big man with a big heart and he loved his community."

"Billy was a man who See **LIFE** on Page A4

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BY DANA GRUBB

What did you think when San Francisco 49ers' linebacker Chris Borland retired after only one year because of long term health concerns?



"It's appropriate in my opinion. It's the right move to make. What's a career worth if you're going to ruin the rest of your life?"
David Spearko
 Bethlehem Township



"I give him credit because they get hurt and are all beat up by the age of 45. Money isn't everything."
Tom Kirk
 Moore Township



"It sends a message. That's for sure."
Kevin Walton
 Palmer Township



"Bless the man because he's making the decision for himself. I think football is a dangerous sport."
Gary Stengel
 Allentown

HELLERTOWN

Traffic changes coming

By MARK RECCEK
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

Hellertown Borough residents will soon see changes to a traffic pattern and on-street parking in and around the Saucon Valley Farmers Market.

Council members approved the changes, pursuant to Police Chief Robert Shupp's recommendation at their March 17 meeting.

Due to the changes, Rohn Road will temporarily convert into a one-way street Sundays, from 8 a.m. to 2

p.m., with parking prohibited on the street.

Council also announced the farmers market this year will not be held in the Water Street Park, due to construction work.

The market is open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sundays, from May 3 through November.

Also during the meeting, council announced the Easter egg hunt will take place 10 a.m. April 4 at Dewey Park.

In addition, the Community Wide Yard Sale was approved for June 6.



The Parker family, Caden, Emma and Jennifer attend the library's book sales regularly. "You can't beat the prices for kids' books," said mom, Jennifer, as Caden shopped for books about cars and Emma searched for 'chapter' books.

PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

Classics sell well

The Bethlehem Area Public Library's "March Madness" book sale held March 4 and 7 realized another \$6,673 to benefit the library. Book sale coordinator Laurel Stone said classics and first editions sold well and the volume of gardening books sold seemed to indicate that patrons were thinking ahead to warmer weather. The first two sales of 2015 have raised \$16,248. The next book sale is scheduled May 13 and 16. Information on future sales is available at www.bestbooksale.org or by calling 610-867-3761 extension 235.

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 and while he would like to see the benefit - namely about \$4.5 million more than last year for the district - he expects wrangling at the state level make the prospect dicey.
 BASD Board President Michael Faccinnetto is in favor of the proposed changes, especially the restoration of Accountability Block Grant funds and charter tuition reimbursements. "The legislature has been trying unsuccessfully to reform charter school spending and add more accountability. This is critical to the future success of PA's public school system. Local districts continue to cut and scale back programs that increase and offer more than local districts can afford. Unfortunately partisan politics continues to interfere in this process."

But Faccinnetto notes that in the days since its introduction, the budget has already experienced unwelcome changes. "One of my main concerns with the governor's proposals is the one year moratorium on Plan Con reimbursements. This was not initially proposed, but appeared last week in proposed legislation as part of the budget package," he said.

Roy shared Faccinnetto's concern. "The Governor's education plans

WHAT THEY SAY

"Governor Wolf opened the dialogue for the new budget and provided good starting points to hopefully get Pennsylvania moving in a positive direction and generate discussions that will reinvigorate opportunities for the middle class and our economic climate.

I am supportive of efforts to provide proposed property tax relief that will benefit seniors and hardworking families, and allow more families to consider purchasing homes.

Reinvesting in education and improving funding to Pennsylvania schools will help better prepare our children for the jobs of the future. I am excited to see investment at all levels of the state's education system.

I am also very supportive of his efforts to increase the state's minimum wage to provide a livable wage for Pennsylvania's hardworking low wage earners.

I look forward to being a part of the ongoing discussion as we create a budget that will strengthen our state."

Rep. Daniel McNeill
 D-133rd Legislative District

"The governor is pushing to close corporate tax loopholes and reduce tax rates on businesses that create jobs. This is very similar to efforts I've led in the General Assembly, such as Act 52 of 2013, which closed over \$50 million in corporate tax loopholes and used that revenue to reduce tax rates on businesses across the board. It also eliminated inheritance taxes on small, family-owned businesses. These are important steps in making Pennsylvania a more attractive place for job creators to locate and expand.

The governor's proposal also indicates he understands the necessity for property tax relief and that he values increasing educational opportunities for Pennsylvania's children. He does not, however, go about achieving these in the right way. This underscores the greatest concern I have with Wolf's plan: It doesn't protect taxpayers.

The governor's plan would increase the Personal Income Tax on all Pennsylvanians by 20 percent, from the current 3.07 percent to 3.70 percent. Additionally, Wolf proposes to raise the sales tax from 6 percent to 6.6 percent. He would also expand sales taxes to goods and services that are currently exempt from taxation, including such items as assisted living services, college dormitory meal plans and funerals - just to name a few.

All of this new taxation would be used to grow state government spending by 16 percent, or nearly 10 times the rate of inflation. This would represent an increase of \$4.7 billion in new spending during his first year in office. The average Pennsylvania family of four would see its overall tax burden increase by slightly more than \$1,400 a year under his plan. This is the wrong direction for Pennsylvania.

The governor is claiming that his plan would offer property tax relief. Unfortunately, in many school districts, residents would be paying significantly more in increased income and sales taxes than they would see in property tax reductions."

Rep. Ryan Mackenzie
 R-134th Legislative District

include many things favorable to Bethlehem," Roy said. "Adjusting funding to account for the increased cost of educating children in poverty and English as a Second Language

learners and reimbursing districts for a percentage of cyber charter school tuition costs, to name a few.

"The challenge for us is not knowing until late in

our process or possibly after the conclusion of our budget process, exactly how much state revenue we can count on."

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The Dream!

A man dreamed that he saw Jesus tied to a whipping-post, and a soldier was scourging Him. He saw the whip in the soldier's hand, with its thick lashes studded here and there with bits of lead, which were intended to cut into the flesh. As the soldier brought the whip down on the bare shoulders of Jesus, the dreamer shuddered when he saw the marks and blood-stains it left behind. When the soldier raised his hand to strike again, the dreamer rushed forward intending to stop him. As he did so the soldier turned around and the dreamer recognized himself!

The Jews or the Romans are often blamed for the awful sufferings and horrible crucifixion of Jesus Christ, but the Bible clearly says that the cause was **our sins!** "Christ died for **our sins**" (1 Corinthians 15:3). "But he was wounded for **our transgressions**, he was bruised for **our iniquities**" (Isaiah 53:5).

The Bible teaches, "all have sinned" (Romans 3:23). **Our sin** separates us from an absolutely holy God. Because of His love for us, God took the initiative to break the impasse "and sent his Son to be the propitiation for **our sins**" (1 John 4:10). Yes, Jesus "suffered for (our) sins...that he might bring us to God" (1 Peter 3:18). Firmly believing this, we must act on it and **sincerely confess our sins and repent of them.** That's when we experience **divine forgiveness** and the **inner cleansing away of sin** for the Bible declares, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). If you do what God asks you to do, He does what He promises to do! Have you done that? Are you living for Him? The Bible says that "he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again" (2 Corinthians 5:15).

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Great Decisions Lecture Series, Brazil's Metamorphosis, with John Zemko, director for Latin America, CIPE, 10:30 a.m., second floor auditorium, 1 Kirkland Village Circle. Cost. Series runs through March 25. Call 610-867-4669.

Trout Unlimited and ArtsQuest present the Fly Fishing Film Tour, 7:30 p.m. Frank Banko Alehouse Cinemas, SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way. Tickets: Steelstacks or call 610-332-3378.

Thursday, March 26

Salvation Army, seniors 50 and over. Jerusalem, Bethlehem and Nazareth program, 10:45 a.m. 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681.

Story Times free, five weeks-every Thursday through April 2, 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. Bethlehem Area Public Library, Southside branch, 400 Webster St. Registration required. Visit www.bapl.org or call 610-867-7852.

Lenten fish fry dinner, 5 to 7 p.m., to benefit church ministries. Parish hall, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 1900 E. Pennsylvania Ave., Allentown. Visit www.standrewsbethlehem.org.

Friday, March 27

Toddlers at Play, free, ages one to three, 11 a.m. to noon, Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Registration required. Visit www.bapl.org or call 610-867-3761, ext. 499.

Saturday, March 28

Teen Reading Lounge, free, grades 6 to 12, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Series. Registration required. Visit www.bapl.org or call 610-867-3761, ext. 499.

Calvary Wesleyan Church Easter egg hunt, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Clearview Park, Abingdon Road and Robin Way. Call 610-866-1388 or visit www.calvarywesleyanchurch.org

YWCA Prom Dress Day open to students (with I.D.) 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. State Theater, 453 Northampton St., Easton.

Norbit the Neutron STEM event, free, ages three to eight, 10:30 a.m., Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Visit www.bapl.org or call 610-867-3761, ext. 499.

Sunday, March 29

Book Signing, The Christmas City Vampire, Fathoms and From Darkness To Light, by Larry Deibert of Hellertown. 1 to 3 pm. Moravian Book Shop, 428 Main St.

Monday, March 30

Renew Lehigh Valley "Growing the Local Food Economy" discussion, noon to 2 p.m., Fowler Center, 511 E. Third St. Must pre-register; visit <http://renewlv.org>.

Yoga Girl book tour, 6:30 p.m. Swedish yoga rock star Rachel Brathen. Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Registration required. Visit www.bapl.org or call 610-867-3761, ext. 224.

AROUND TOWN
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Nitschmann project back in sight

Finance committee seeks to minimize debt service until 2021

By ALEX GREEN
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Plans to build a new Nitschmann MS are a sign of a recovering economy.

This according to Bethlehem Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy, who said the \$53 million project, part of a 20-year master facilities plan, was slated to be worked on back in 2007.

"As we have regained our financial footing over the last five years, we started to look again at the Nitschmann project about three years ago," Roy said after a March 16 finance committee meeting that examined the project.

About \$5 million of the cost will be paid from the district's capital reserve fund, which is essentially a savings account for capital and

building projects.

Nearly \$50 million will be borrowed through fixed rate bonds, Roy said, in which the interest rate is fixed throughout the life of the bond. This borrowing will be done through two phases: the first which will borrow about \$30 million this spring to pay for the first year of construction, and the second which will borrow the remaining \$20 million to finish the project.

"This allows us to not have to not have to pay a larger debt service for the first year," Roy said. "(It) also allows us to adjust the amount of the second borrowing based on our projected costs to finish the project."

Roy anticipates a debt

service of about \$2.5 million per year throughout the life of the bond. But the district will receive about \$4.4 million per year starting in 2021 when a tax increment finance, or TIF, agreement expires in 2020.

"In other words, we plan to pay for the cost of the project with revenue we know will be coming from the TIF deal," he said.

The TIF deal is the development of the old Bethlehem Steel site, primarily

Sands Casino.

Construction of the new middle school is scheduled to start this summer.

The building is scheduled to start being used at the beginning of the 2017 school year, when it will be erected behind the current building.

Budget Talks

Committee members did not shoot down requests by three notable education services for slightly more funds during the 2015-'16 school year.

On the contrary, they were largely complimentary to representatives who gave presentations on the services: Northampton Community College, Bethlehem Area Vocational-Technical School, and Colonial Intermediate Unit 20.

Vo-Tech will receive about a 6 percent increase in funding, while Northampton Community College will receive about a 2.6 percent increase, and Colonial Intermediate Unit 20 will receive about 2.4 percent.

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William "Billy" J. Guth Jr.
City EMS supervisor

William "Billy" J. Guth Jr., 57, of Bethlehem, died March 14, 2015. He was the husband of Mary B. (Bender) Guth for 30 years. Born in Allentown, he was a son of the late William and Joann (Herman) Guth.



He was a City of Bethlehem Emergency Medical Services supervisor, from which he had retired after 35 years of service. He was previously a Bethlehem Township paramedic. He was a critical incident stress management senior member and was an American Heart Association cardiopulmonary resuscitation instructor. He was a lifelong member of Christ Church U.C.C., Bethlehem. He was an Eagle Scout

with Silver Palms. He was a Fountain Hill Emergency Squad volunteer for 20 years and was as a past president. He was on the Eastern Pennsylvania EMS council board and was a former chairman of the EMS conference. He was on the Nazareth Speedway fire crew.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Sarah E. of Bethlehem; two brothers, Bruce Guth of Herndon, Va. and Daniel Guth of Allentown; a sister, Diane Ensley of Bethlehem; an aunt, Louise DeVilleggio; nieces; nephews; great-nephews; and many friends and colleagues.

Contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 968 Postal Road, Suite 110, Allentown, PA 18109.

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

John "Jack" J. Bartos
S.V.C.C. member; lawyer

John "Jack" J. Bartos died March 10, 2015, at



Thomas Jefferson University Hospital. He was the husband of Sallie (Dunbar) Bartos for 19 years. He was the son of the late Dr. Joseph E. and Ethel (Daday) Bartos.

He was a 1967 graduate of Central Catholic HS, where he was a member of both the golf and wrestling teams. He was a 1971 graduate of Mt. St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, Md. He earned a juris doctor in 1974 from Duquesne University School of Law in 1974.

He practiced law in the Lehigh Valley for more than 40 years.

He was a member of and a former member of the greens committee with Saucun Valley Country Club since childhood. He was instrumental in bringing the 1987 United States Senior Amateur to the club. He was a member of the Northamp-

ton County and Pennsylvania Bar Associations.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by six children, Drew and Alexa, with whom he resided; Peter and his wife Donna of Peoria, Ariz.; Jennifer and her husband Jason Roeder of Bethlehem; Annie Bartos and John Mauro of Auckland, New Zealand; and Kristen and her husband Vince Bruneo of Bethlehem; eight grandchildren, PJ, Gracie and Hannah Bartos; John, Ryan and Patrick Roeder; Madeline Bartos Mauro; and Joseph Bruneo; four brothers, Paul, Joseph, Robert and Jeffrey Bartos; three sisters, Mary Jane Sickonic, Susan Bartos and Peg Story; and nieces and nephews and their children.

He was predeceased by a sister, Nancy Bartos.

Contributions may be made to the Drew and Alexa Bartos Education Fund, Embassy Bank, 100 Gateway Drive, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

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

Justine P. Edelman
Sokols member

Justine P. Edelman, 90, of Bethlehem, died March 12,



2015. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late John and Anna (Polenchar) Kanuck. She was the wife of the late Walter E. Edelman Jr. for 54 years.

She was a parishioner of Incarnation of Our Lord Parish.

She was a member of the Catholic Sokols Wreath #32 and Jednota.

She is survived by a daughter, Sharon and her husband George Vincovich of Bethlehem; a son, Bruce J. and his wife Patricia of Bellmore, N.Y.; five grandchildren, Bruce Jr., Christopher, Gregory, Kelly and Kristen; and five great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by two sisters, Irene Denes and Anna Mae Wietecha.

Contributions may be made to the church, 617 Pierce St., Bethlehem, PA 18015.

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

Mary Gorsky
BASD cashier

Mary Gorsky, 86, of Bethlehem, died March 10, 2015. Born in Dunmore, she was a daughter of the late Michael and Katerina (Fafich) Gonda. She was the wife of the late Alex Gorsky for 60 years.

She was a cashier for the Bethlehem Area School District.

She was a member of Ss. Peter and Paul Byzantine Catholic Church.

She is survived by two sons, Alec M. and his wife Shirley of Lower Nazareth and Richard J. and his wife

Susan of Allentown; a brother, Joseph Gonda of Bethlehem; four grandchildren, Patrick, Christopher, Katerina and Kaela; a great-grandchild, Kohlby "Peaches"; nieces; and nephews.

She was predeceased by a sister, Anne Aber; and two brothers, Michael and George Gonda.

Contributions may be made to Dream Come True Inc., P.O. Box 21167, Lehigh Valley, Pa. 18002.

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

Laslo Vamos
knitter

Laslo Vamos, 80, formerly of Coplay, died Feb. 22, 2015, in Weston Senior Living at Northampton. He was the husband of the late Rose (Geider) Sprague Vamos and the late Mary Vamos.

He was born in Hungary. He was a knitter at Montex Mills, Allentown. He worked the ticket

stand at The Great Allentown Fair.

He is survived by a daughter, Lisa (Sprague) and her husband John Rayden of Bethlehem.

Services will be at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements were made by J.S. Burkholder Funeral Home, Allentown.

Steve Schmitt: A diamond

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

Brash. Brilliant. Controversial. Colorful.

These are just some of the adjectives that could be used to describe alternative transportation advocate Steve Schmitt. But they would fail to come close to capturing this Lehigh Valley pioneer. One of the four Lehigh Valley horsemen: Jeff Parks brought us Arts Quest; Tony Hanna slowly but surely has transformed Bethlehem's Southside; Alan Jennings has raised our poverty awareness. Schmitt made sure these other three always accommodated cyclists, pedestrians and the buses.

Unfortunately, Steve passed away recently. He is survived by son Eric, who lives in Allentown, and son Robin Spilner, of Philadelphia.

When you see a LANTA bus with a bike rack in front, that's Steve Schmitt. When those buses drive into Wegmans and other shopping centers, that's Steve Schmitt. When you see bike lanes in Bethlehem and pedestrian crossings throughout the Lehigh Valley, that's Steve Schmitt. He was a tireless advocate for life without cars. He was also the first director of the Coalition for Alternative Transportation, which he renamed



PRESS PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE

Steve Schmitt in 2012, after getting zoning approval for a satellite office on West Broad Street where residents could learn how to make bike repairs, and called the Coalition for Appropriate Transportation. I knew Steve. I took bicycling safety courses from him, went across Fahy bridge on a bicycle for the first time under his direction, and learned the pitfalls of riding along a trail. Blind spots. Steve taught me that lesson by letting me ride, bicycle and helmet and everything else, right into the Lehigh River after I failed to heed his warnings. Tough love, I suppose. It was even tougher love for Joe DeRaymond, a local peace activist who also passed away well

explained. He was tough that way. He insisted everyone around him wear helmets for safety reasons, but always had ear buds when he rode, which made it impossible for him to hear traffic. He explained that he would rather get hit than get into an argument with some irate driver.

The low point for Steve came in 2009, when he was rejected by Northampton County Council as a LANTA board member despite pleas from Executive John Stoffa, who called him a "different thinker," and Ron Angle, who supported Schmitt's willingness to question everything.

But for this one low point there were many more high points. Teaching kids how to ride and repair their bikes. Providing bicycles for many people, kids and adults of limited means. Establishing a satellite shop on West Broad Street for people to learn bike repairs. Bartering with people of limited means, who might lack the resources to buy a membership but might have time to trade. Sitting next to a bike rack during Musikfest, watching the bikes of others so they could enjoy the music.

If you rubbed him hard enough, he was pure diamond. His passing is a great loss to this area.

before his time. DeRaymond attended a forum sponsored by Schmitt when the federal government first pondered widening Route 22. But he made the mistake of driving there. Schmitt had just finished explaining that people need to change a philosophy that glues them to their automobile, and DeRaymond made the mistake of asking for an example. "Give me your keys," answered Schmitt. And that was it. DeRaymond walked home. Ten miles. "He could have taken a bus," Schmitt later



PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN

A hearse from the Downing Funeral Home Inc. passes a lineup of emergency vehicles waiting to take their turn in the honorary procession to the Holy Savior Cemetery in Bethlehem for the burial of Bill Guth.

Life saver given fond farewell

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would do anything for anyone, without question," said current city EMS Director Thomas Decker. "He was known for his friendly demeanor and always brought smiles to his co-workers and patients' faces. He treated his patients as if they were his own family."

Decker said Guth was instrumental with the S.A.D.D. presentations at Liberty and Bethlehem Catholic high schools, a founding member of the Eastern PA EMS Council Critical Incident Stress Management Team.

Dana Grubb worked closely with Guth when he worked for the city. "When I was a city administrator, EMS was in the community and economic development department prior to being moved into the fire department, and the operation came under my supervision. In order to understand it better, I would ride with a paramedic crew twice a



PRESS PHOTO BY TDANA GRUBB

Former Bethlehem EMS shift supervisor William "Billy" Guth in his Stefko Boulevard EMS Center office during 2009.



Fifty-four emergency vehicles came from all over the Lehigh Valley, according to a Bethlehem police officer on duty.

year. "The first time I did that, Bill and his partner were the crew with whom I experienced a day in their life," explained Grubb. "What I witnessed was a person with a tremendous dedication to that field and an unbelievable compassion. He also had a comforting sense of humor with his patients, as he worked to not only address their medical issues, but also tried to ease their worries. Behind the scenes, Bill was a tireless EMS advocate."

"Yet, at the end of the shift, his greatest joy was going to his wife, Mary, and their daughter Sarah. I'm saddened not only at his way too young passing, but that he didn't get to enjoy his retirement and spend more time with his family."

Guth was buried Saturday, and a community mourned the loss of his professional expertise and tremendous kindness.

Signage approved, bylaws not

BETHLEHEM HCC

By **NATE JASTRZEWSKI**
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Historic Conservation Commission members approved alterations on two properties and discussed some matters of protocol Feb. 23. The HCC is a volunteer body of residents who

review planning and zoning matters in the Southside historic district to ensure property alterations are in keeping with the neighborhood's aesthetic. Their recommendations appear before zoners for approval.

The committee heard an altered plan from a November review on 208 E. Fourth St., a three-story Queen Ann, previously submitted for a large addition. The new plan was scaled back to include only a rear dormer. After some talk-

ing over some details about paint, siding and possibly including a casement egress window, members agreed to recommend approval of the project. The second property, mere blocks from the first, was the Subway restau-

CITY POLICE
DUIs

Police made two Southside arrests related to intoxicated driving in short order the early morning of Feb. 26.

Around 12:50 a.m. officers observed a traffic violation and stopped a vehicle driven by 24-year-old Amanda Compton on Fillmore Street. Compton, of Chestert Road, is charged with DUI, one-way roads, traffic control devices and lack of insurance.

About 20 minutes later police observed a vehicle making an illegal turn at Broadway and Wyandotte Street. Pulled over several blocks away, Claudia Davila, 24, of South Jefferson Street in Allentown, is charged with traffic signals and DUI.

BRIEFLY
PENN STATE
Summer writing courses offered

The Lehigh Valley Writing Project (LVWP), a National Writing Project site, will hold several credit and non-credit courses for local educators beginning June 22 at the Penn State Lehigh Valley Campus, 2809 Saucon Valley Road, Center Valley.

Non-credit offerings include Three Days/Three Modes: An Academy for Implementing the PA Core Standards in Literacy, June 29, 30 and July 1; Inquiring Minds: Finding the Voice of the Student Scientist 2015 STEM & Literacy Academy, July 20 to 23; Technology and the Learning Process (EDUC 464) July 6 to 10; 2015 Using a Writer's Notebook to Empower Writers (EDUC 497) July 27 to 31; and Children's Literature in Teaching Writing (EDUC 432), June 22 to 26.

Tuition is at the state rate. No prerequisites. LVWP will offer graduate credits on specific courses. For information, call 610-285-5239, email dba117@psu.edu, or visit www.lvwp.org.

BHCWA
2015 scholarship contest opens

The Bertsch-Hokendauqua-Catasauqua Watershed Association second scholarship contest for all college bound high school seniors is open.

Applicants must be residents of the watershed boundaries of Catasauqua, Northampton, Lehigh, Moore, Allen, East Allen and others.

For information and application, email lmb19@psu.edu.



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Participants in the 2015 'Prom Dress Day' will be able to choose from a collection of hundreds of gowns at the March 28 event. Michael Anderson, event chairwoman, Myra Pina, a YWCA board member and event committee member,

Catharine Lee Kessack, YWCA director of empowerment and development, and Olympus volunteers Leslea Teague and Sarah Dean-Woepple, with some recent donations.

Y's prom gown event March 28

By DANA GRUBB
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The YWCA of Bethlehem hosts its eighth annual

Prom Dress Day Saturday, March 28 at the State Theatre located at 453 Northampton St. in Easton. The event runs from 9 a.m.

until 1:30 p.m.

High school juniors and seniors may attend accompanied by one female guest and must provide a student ID. There is a \$5 admission fee that is refundable if participants are unable to find a dress to their liking.

Students will be able to select gowns from among several hundred in inventory, according to event chair Michael Anderson, who said that simple alterations are also offered. Organizers expect over 200 area students to attend and noted that in 2014 189 prom dresses were given out.

Organizers said a number of organizations collaborated with the YWCA this year to provide dresses,

mannequins, hangers and garment bags. The Girl Scouts, Perfect Fit, the Olympus marketing services group, Talbot's and ZTA Sorority at Moravian College all contributed supplies or held prom dress drives. In addition, monetary donations were received from Perfect Smile Dentistry and Zachary Zawarski, Esquire. Anyone wishing to provide future support may do so by calling the YWCA at 610-867-4669 ext. 104.

Director of empowerment and development Catharine Lee Kessack summed up the YWCA's efforts, calling Prom Dress Day "definitely a unique event in this area."



Olympus volunteers Leslea Teague and Sarah Dean-Woepple unload donated gowns delivered to the YWCA's collection point. Employees in Olympus' marketing services group also collected gowns for the 'Prom Dress Day.'



Michael Anderson, chairwoman of the 'Prom Dress Day,' sorts donated gowns by size. Anderson said that she has been involved with the event for seven years.

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BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP Flash flood site worries officials

By BERNIE O'HARE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

In 1977, Debra LaForm stepped out of her stalled car on Easton Avenue during a rainstorm to make a call for help from the nearby hotel now known as The Keystone Pub. Returning to her car, she suddenly vanished. She had stepped into an open drainage ditch, which sucked her body through an 18-inch pipe and, ultimately, into the Nancy Run Creek.

Her body was found eight hours later.

This has been a problem area in Bethlehem Township for many years because it is a low point in the Nancy Run watershed. Township engineer Leonard Fraivillig refused to approve PennDOT plans for stormwater along that roadway because he believed a straight 96-inch pipe would be necessary to drain the ditch on the west side of Santee Road. Penn DOT went ahead anyway. Fraivillig's plan was never acted on because it was too costly.

Fast forward to 2015, and the flash flooding and stormwater drainage at this area of Easton Avenue is still an issue.

Across the street from where LaForm lost her life is a collapsed culvert, next to Easton Avenue, in an area characterized by Solicitor Jim Broughal as "no man's land". Who owns it? Is it the township, PennDOT, an abandoned trolley company or adjoining property owner? Nobody seems to know. But one thing everyone seems to agree on is that the area needs to be repaired. Not only is it an eyesore, but it is a public safety hazard.



PRESS PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE

Part of the collapsed culvert on Easton Avenue, across the street from the Keystone Pub.



Bethlehem Township Manager Melissa Shafer was able to convince PennDOT to supply materials, flagmen and waive a permit to repair a culvert on Easton Avenue near the Keystone Pub.

"Once you undertake repairs, it is the township's responsibility," warned Solicitor Wendy Nicolosi during a meeting in February. But at their March 16 meeting, four commissioners voted to spend \$17,000 to implement Engineer Brian Dill-

man's solution to the problem: A French drain. That's a trench filled with stones and a perforated pipe that redirects stormwaters.

"It seems PennDOT just wants to push this off on us," complained Michael Hudak, who was

the sole vote against undertaking repairs. But he agreed that the area is a public safety hazard.

"Somebody has to take a chance and move it forward," argued President Marty Zawarski. Tom Nolan agreed, noting that the repairs would make the area safer for everyone.

Though PennDOT insisted it had no responsibility for the site, it is willing to supply the materials to fix it, provide flagmen and is even willing to waive the cumbersome highway occupancy permit that would otherwise be required.

As the township prepared to undertake the repairs itself, a former PennDOT employee named Scott Culpepper came forward. He was on the PennDOT road crew that installed the heavy grates and culvert in that location in the early '70s. President Marty Zawarski said he plans to pursue this matter with State Senator Lisa Boscola. It appears PennDOT, which did most of the drainage work in that area, may be responsible for work after all.

"If in fact PennDOT did install the grates, then it is clearly their responsibility, not ours," said Hudak.

Drainage in this area has been a source of friction between the township and City of Bethlehem since the '50s, according to a Superior Court opinion in the Laform case.

Tuesday, March 31

Salvation Army, calling all bridge players, seniors 50 and up, 9:30 a.m. to noon. 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681.

Spring Fling for families, 6:30 p.m. Bethlehem Area Public Library, Southside branch, 400 Webster St. Registration required. Bring basket for egg hunt. Visit www.bapl.org or call 610-867-7852.

Wednesday, April 1

Salvation Army, senior drop-in (age 50 and up) 9 to 11 a.m.; Bible study, 11 a.m. to noon; women's ministries (age 16 and up), program, 1 p.m. 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681.

41st Boutique at the Rink new and returning volunteers informational meeting, 2:30 or 6:30 p.m. sessions, Wesley United Methodist Church, 2540 Center St. Visit www.boutiqueattherink.com or call 610-861-7555, ext. 39.

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MEETING BOARD

Wednesday, March 25

Bethlehem Parking Authority, 4:30 p.m., 85 W. North St.
Bethlehem City Zoning Hearing Board, 7 p.m., 10 E. Church St.
Bethlehem Twp. Zoning Hearing Board, 7 p.m. municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.
Lehigh Co. Commissioners, 7:30 p.m., public hearing room, Government Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.

Wednesday, April 1

Historical Architectural Review Board, 4 p.m. City Hall, 10 E. Church St.

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SCHOOL NOTES

Miller Hts. ES: Related Arts showcase

Miller Heights ES will hold a related arts showcase from 6 to 7:30 p.m. April 9 at the school. It will highlight student learning in the art, music, instrumental music, academic integration and library classrooms. Families are invited to observe and participate in activities at their own pace.

Nitschmann: Social issues meeting April 2

The Leadership Lehigh Valley team will hold a meeting April 2 about combatting social issues from 8:45 a.m. to noon at Nitschmann MS, 909 W. Union Blvd.

The event covers the social challenges facing middle school students, including stress, depression, prescription drug use, heroin addiction, cyber bullying and social media behaviors. There will be a panel discussion and a Dr. Paul Pierpoint, vice president of community education at Northampton Community College, will speak. The Weller Center will provide a program on stress and depression. To attend the event, email emcguire@basd-schools.org.

To get your news item in SCHOOL NOTES, send the information to George Taylor at gtaylor@tnonline.com or mail the information to SCHOOL NOTES, 308 East Third St., Bethlehem, PA 18015.

COLLEGE NOTES

Northampton Community College Pete Yarrow to speak March 26

Peter Yarrow, of the folk group Peter, Paul and Mary, will be the Cohen lecturer at Northampton Community College's (NCC) fifth annual Peace and Justice Conference from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. March 26 at the Lipkin Theatre, Kopecek Hall, Bethlehem Campus.

The conference, "Fifty Years of Giving Peace a Voice," commemorates the 50th anniversary of our nation's first pro-peace teach-in at the University of Michigan on March 24-25, 1965.

For information, e-mail jvonschilling@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.

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BRIEFLY

WHYY

Open forum to be held March 31

WHYY will host a free open forum 7 to 9 p.m. March 31 at the Fowler Family Southside Center, 511 E. Third St. Lehigh Valley residents and business owners will discuss issues facing the region.

WHYY, Philadelphia, is part of Keystone Crossroads, a coalition of the Pennsylvania public radio stations.

Keystone Crossroads project editor Naomi Starobin and a reporting team will review project goals. Penn Project for Civic Engagement will facilitate small-group dialogues. No registration is needed.

PALM SUNDAY EL Shaddai procession set

A Triumphant Entry procession, open to the public, will be held at 10:30 a.m. March 29. The event will begin on Stefko Boulevard at Broad Street and end at El Shaddai Bethlehem Ministries, 529 E. Broad St.

Men of the ministries, in costume, will enact the Biblical account of Palm Sunday. People will be given palm branches to wave.

There will be refreshments for the participants. For information, call 610-625-3500.

LITNER LECTURE Bernie Siegel to speak April 22

Bernie S. Siegel, M.D., will speak about the psychology of illness and the art of healing at 7:30 p.m. April 22 at Central Moravian Church, Bethlehem. The lecture is sponsored by the Dr. and Mrs. Max Littner Memorial Lecture Series for Bereavement and St. Luke's University Health Network.

Speaker and author Dr. Bernie Siegel will explore the powerful role the mind can play in fighting illness, as explored in his book Love, Medicine and Miracles. The book is available for purchase at the book shop, and, on the evening of the lecture, at the church.

For information or to purchase tickets, visit www.sluhn.org/litnerlectureseries; or call 1-866-785-8537; or stop by the Cancer Support Community, 944 Marcon Blvd., Suite 110, Allentown, PA 18109 or the Moravian Book Shop.

IRS I.D. theft letter scam revealed

The Internal Revenue Service is reminding taxpayers who receive requests from the IRS to verify their identities by visiting idverify.irs.gov.

Taxpayers may receive Letter 5071C, via U.S. Postal Service mail, when the IRS stops suspicious tax returns that have indications of being identity theft but contain a real taxpayer's name and/or Social Security number. Only those taxpayers receiving the letter should access the website or call the special phone number listed in the letter.

Once the caller's identity is verified, the taxpayers can confirm whether they filed the return in question. If they did not file the return, the IRS can take steps at that time to assist them.

Taxpayers should have available prior year tax return and their current year tax return, if they filed one, including supporting documents, such as Forms W-2 and 1099 and Schedules A and C.

LEHIGH VALLEY Annual fiesta set for March 27

The Hispanic Center Lehigh Valley will hold a fiesta from 6 to 9 p.m. March 27 at the University Center, DeSales University. The event will celebrate 47 years of service

to Bethlehem and honors those who have contributed to the center.

Acting Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Pedro Cortés will be the guest speaker. Awards will be given to St. Luke's University Health Network, community leadership; Liberty High School teacher Antonio Marrero,

outstanding educator award; Efrain "Bulldog" Santiago, Sergia Montz volunteer award; and Josue Ferrer-Rios, the Marlene "Linn" Fowler outstanding youth award.

There will be a fundraising raffle and silent auction. For information and tickets, visit www.hclv.org.

MILLER CENTER Blood donations much needed

The Miller-Keystone Blood Center is in urgent need of blood donations at the 1465 Valley Center Parkway location.

Donor resources Director Deb Otto said MKBC's inventory of red blood

cells has reached critical levels. She said that the current level of at 500 units instead is the ideal blood inventory three-day supply, or approximately 1,500 units.

For information and to donate, call 610-691-5850, ext. 1201 or 1-800-BADONOR or email stinney@GIVEaPINT.org or visit www.giveapint.org.

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Board told to change seal

By DEBRA PALMIERI
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Lehigh County commissioners are deciding how to handle a letter from Freedom From Religion Foundation telling the board to stop using the county seal due to the Latin cross at the center.

According to information provided by the Pennsylvania Pastors Network, the November 2014 letter to County Executive Tom Muller from FFRF states: "We urge the county to immediately discontinue using this seal and to develop a new seal that is both constitutional and representative of all citizens."

The letter also requested "a written response" detailing steps the county would take to comply with the constitution.

Patrick Elliott, FFRF staff attorney, spoke with The Press March 17.

He said in addition to the November 2014 letter, a follow-up letter was sent Jan. 16 to the county board.

In the first letter, the FFRF states it is a "nationwide nonprofit organization that works to protect the constitutional principle of separation of church and state."

PPN, which describes itself as "a statewide network of pastors committed to providing Bible-based and constitutionally consistent

LEHIGH COUNTY



PRESS PHOTO BY SUSAN BRYANT

The Lehigh County seal, located in the Government Center conference room, is the subject of a letter from the Freedom From Religion Foundation telling commissioners to stop using a seal with a cross in it.

analysis and recommendations on matters of public policy," states: "FFRF's demands show not only open hostility toward Christianity but also gross ignorance of our nation's founding documents."

Lehigh County Board of Commissioners Chairman Brad Osborne emailed The Press March 12.

"Our board went into

executive session this evening (March 11) after our public meeting for the purpose of discussing threatened litigation from the Freedom From Religion Foundation," Osborne wrote. "No decision was made. We continue to explore our options and expect to arrive at a decision shortly. That decision will be made in public session.

Sam Rohrer, 2010 Pennsylvania gubernatorial candidate and former state representative, is the president of the PPN.

He commented on FFRF and the letter to county commissioners.

"While flying the flag of separation of church and state, FFRF seems to forget the author of this oft-quoted phrase, Thomas Jefferson, himself approved of religious services being held in the United States Capitol building," said Rohrer, also president of the American Pastors Network. "In fact, he even attended them. The truth — and a very inconvenient truth for FFRF — is that from its inception, our nation has recognized the hand of Divine Providence, and our Constitution clearly protects, not prohibits, the freedom to acknowledge and worship God in our public activities and symbols. We urge Lehigh County officials not to cave to these threats but to stand boldly for truth and religious freedom."

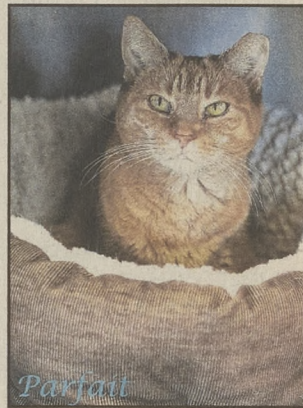
PPN is "encouraging all Pennsylvania residents, and particularly those in Lehigh County, to contact the County Board of Commissioners to encourage them to stand for religious freedom and not cave to FFRF's demands."

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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.



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EPISCOPAL HOUSE OF THE LEHIGH VALLEY, Allentown, needs a volunteer to help get social media platforms started. Contact Miki Weaver, 610-821-0311, mweaver@episcopalhouse.com.

HISPANIC CENTER OF THE LEHIGH VALLEY, Bethlehem, needs someone with a large vehicle to pick up food for the pantry once a week on Fridays. Contact Bennie Khamneh, 610-868-7800, ext. 225, bkhamneh@hclv.org.

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PEDIATRIC CANCER FOUNDATION OF THE LV INC., Bethlehem, has many volunteer opportunities and times available for their sixth annual Run/Walk to Live to Spread the Gold March 28 at the Ironton Rail Trail, Coplay from 6 a.m.-1 p.m. Contact Lisa Kappes, 610-297-7292, lisa@pcfiv.org.

PROJECT BLUEPRINT - the Volunteer Center is seeking racial ethnic volunteers for its diversity volunteer leadership program that develops and trains volunteers to serve on boards and committees of local nonprofit agencies. Applications and information available at www.volunteerlv.org.

SACRED HEART HOSPITAL, Allentown, needs dependable volunteers who enjoy delivering exceptional customer service. Contact Beth Fogel, 610-776-5413, bfogel@shh.org.

Contact the Volunteer Center to receive a brochure listing agencies in need of volunteers at 610-807-0336 or e-mail: vc@volunteerlv.org. Visit our website www.volunteerlv.org for a larger listing of volunteer opportunities.

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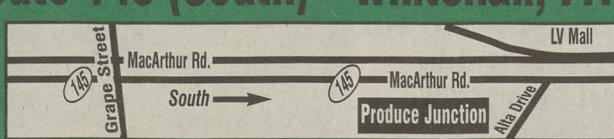
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WORK PARTIES

Volunteers are needed to help get the Lehigh Sports Association fields ready for play this coming season. Parents are urged to help on their child's respective division field.

When attending the work parties, report to the clubhouse to sign in. Make sure you note the team and the division when signing in to make sure your child's team gets credit for the work.

The work parties are scheduled for: Saturday, March 26.

Times are 8 a.m.-noon, rain or shine. Bring your work gloves.

If you know of local high school students in need of community service, this is a great way to earn some hours.

SOFTBALL CLINIC

The 2015 Hurricane Softball Clinic for girls ages 7-14 will be run by the Liberty High School softball coaches and players. Hitting, throwing, fielding, pitching, catching, base running and position specific drills and instruction. Players must bring a glove. The clinic takes place Sunday, March 29: ages 11-14 from 9 a.m.-noon; ages 7-10 from 1:30-4:30 p.m.

The clinic takes place at the Liberty High School Auxiliary Gym. Enter through Memorial Gym Lobby by the Athletic Office.

Cost is \$25 per player. Questions, email LHSSoftball2015@yahoo.com.

UMPIRE CLINIC

An umpire clinic will be held on Thursday, April 2, at 7 p.m. The clinic will be held on the major field at the Illick's Mill Road Complex and run by the District 20 Umpire In Chief, John D'Alessandro.

Lehigh Sports Association is in the process of updating our umpires list for baseball and softball games. Anyone interested in having their name added to our list, please include your name and cell phone number. Minimum age is 15 for Minor, Farm and Major; 16 for Juniors and Seniors.

NFL, Bethlehem legend Chuck Bednarik passes

By PETER CAR
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Chuck Bednarik, one of the most iconic members of the Philadelphia Eagles and the NFL, passed away over the weekend at the age of 89. The Bethlehem native and Liberty High School graduate was known as one of the toughest players in the NFL during his 14 seasons (1949-1962) with the Eagles and was apart of two NFL championship teams, as well as being a first ballot member of the

Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1967.

In 2013, Liberty honored Bednarik with a grand ceremony inside Memorial Gymnasium as part of an NFL sponsored "Hometown Hall of Famers" program that recognized members of the hall of fame across the country.

A seven-foot bronze statue of the legendary player stands in the southwest corner of Frank Banko Field.

Bednarik loved Beth-

lehem and the Eagles and the ceremony celebrated the life and career of one of the last two-way players in the league.

"I've been through many, many things and this is my all-time number one," said Bednarik at the time in regards to how he felt about receiving the honor at Liberty. "I love it here."

Philadelphia Eagles owner Jeffrey Lurie released this statement on Bednarik's passing.

"With the passing of

Chuck Bednarik, the Eagles and our fans have lost a legend," Lurie said. "Philadelphia fans grow up expecting toughness, all-out effort and a workmanlike attitude from this team and so much of that image has its roots in the way Chuck played the game. He was a Hall of Famer, a champion and an all-time Eagle. Our thoughts are with his family and loved ones during this time."

Armed with the nickname 'Concrete Charlie'

because of his toughness on the field, as well as his off-season job as a concrete salesman for the Warner Company, Bednarik was an all-time great and is considered the greatest Eagle of all-time.

He garnered a team record eight Pro Bowl nominations, eight All-Pro selections.

His No. 60 jersey is one of nine numbers to be retired by the Eagles. He played in 169 career games, notching 20 inter-

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SPRING SPORTS: BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

'Canes ready to mix it up

By PETER CAR
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Things don't change at Liberty when it comes to expectations for the upcoming baseball season.

As head coach Andy Pitsilos enters lucky year 13 at the helm of the program, he brings back a young and talented team that hopes to contend for the league and district crowns.

That all starts with challenging Freedom for the Steel Division title in the new East Penn Conference, as Bethlehem Catholic, Easton, Allen and Dieruff also join the division this year.

Returning for the Hurricanes this season includes all-conference outfielder Mike Mittl (Sr), who batted .379 last year, along with 17 RBIs while scoring 24 runs.

Other notable starters include David Guariello (1B/Sr); Connor Vanderbush (1B-OF/Sr); Logan Steidinger (C/Sr); Ben Hudock (P/Jr) and Alexis Calderon (P/Jr).

Hudock went 1-2 last year and Calderon had a 2-1 mark. Pitching will be plentiful for the 'Canes this season, but getting them up to speed with experience will be the biggest task.

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Connor Vanderbush is one of several returners back for the 'Canes.

FHS looks to contend

By PETER CAR
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If there's two things that Freedom has going for them heading into this season, it's pitching and depth.

The Patriots, coming off a 14-8 season a year ago, should be players for the Steel Division crown and the East Penn Conference playoffs.

Qualifying for the districts playoffs is also on the radar for a team that brings back six starters.

Head coach Nick D'Amico is hopeful this will be

a successful spring once they get the regular season under way.

"We bring back two of our top three pitchers and six out of nine starters," D'Amico said. "We have a lot of depth due to the talent moving up from our very successful JV team we had last year."

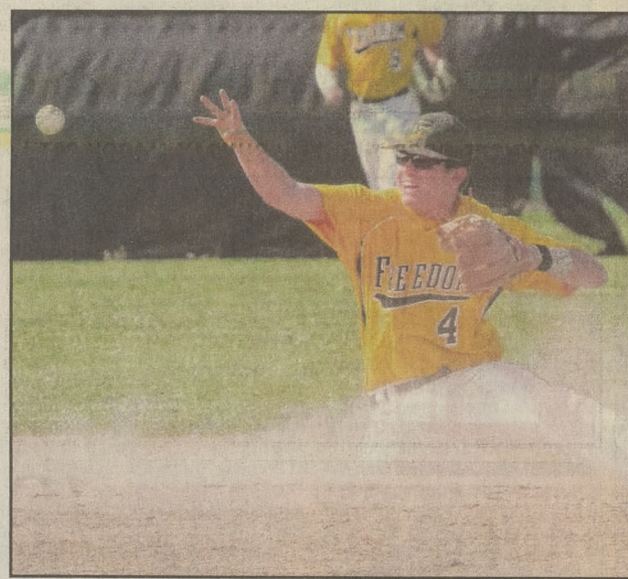
Returning starters for the Pates include JJ Yocum (Jr, 3B/P); Zak Gagnon (Sr, OF/P); Danny Corvino (Sr, SS); Dan Knerr (Sr, C); Pete Frey (Sr, OF) and TJ Czerwinski (Sr, 2B/P).

D'Amico's list of quality newcomers includes the likes of star football players and wrestlers Jake Young (Sr, DH) and Evan Callahan (So, P/1B/3B).

Other players figuring to have large roles include Jared Dances (Jr, C); DJ Bast (Jr, OF); Alex Thomas (Jr, IF/P); Jose Rivera (Jr, IF); Connor Morro (Jr, P); Frank Olshefski (Jr, P) and Mario McIntyre (Jr, 1B).

Gagnon and Yocum will be two arms that D'Amico will lean on this

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Dan Corvino returns for the Patriots this season, as they look to contend for the Steel Division.



PRESS PHOTO BY SCOTT PAGEL

Reyna DeJesus is expected to be a key player for the Hurricanes this year.

Girls ready to exceed

By KATIE MCDONALD
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Everything on paper looks great for Liberty High School's softball team this season, but head coach Sam Carrodo is determined to exceed softball fans' expectations of the young Hurricane squad.

"Our strength will be defense. Our hitting is very good, and our pitching will be better than expected," Carrodo said.

Pitcher Victoria Schmidt and outfielder Reyna DeJe-

sus have the most varsity experience. Junior, Michaela Brunneben, will also pitch for the Hurricanes.

Liberty will have five seniors on the roster: Kelly Giering, Precious Torres, Allison Kundrik, Kayla Wirth, and Tori Kaleyckik.

Sophomores and juniors include: Kristin Kaleyckik, Dallas Horning, Jess Watts, Mary Kate Sheplock, Maya Thom, Alexis Morales, Alyssa Millhouse, and Miranda Kinney.

"We have a pretty nice

team, and I'm proud of the work the kids put in," said Carrodo.

The biggest obstacle for the Hurricanes this season will be lack of varsity experience.

"The JVs were 16-1 last year, so they do know how to win. They just need to learn how to bring that up to the varsity level," Carrodo said.

Carrodo is counting on his all-female coaching staff to make a difference.

"The team loves them. I

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Pate girls excited for season

By KATIE MCDONALD
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Although Freedom High School's softball team is happy going with the flow regarding weather-related issues, the excitement about getting the season started is what it all boils down to, according to Freedom coach Nora Borger.

"I wish it didn't snow [on Friday]. Now we have three games to reschedule," she said. "The girls look great, they get along, they know each other well, and they're happy."

Returning pitchers this season will be Shayla Peterson and Kylee Schwind.

"They both look good. Both have gotten significantly stronger and quicker. They've improved on their off-speed pitching, and they're experienced. They're taking more of a leadership role. They know what they're doing," said Borger.

Likely starters will include Hunter Schantz at first base, Alexis Szaro at second base, Brenda Reninga at shortstop, and

Lauren Guidetti at catcher.

Megan Brown and Dana Pollock will return as outfielders.

Also on the Patriot roster are Abigail Dougherty, Loren Miller, Cozette Smith, Jana Bokson, Camryn Spina, and Julia Roman, a freshman.

"Julia looks like she's been playing for a million years. She understands the game, she has a strong arm, and she's a good hitter," Borger said.

Brown, Guidetti, and

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PRESS PHOTO BY SCOTT PAGEL

Dana Pollock returns to the outfield for Freedom.

BASKETBALL

Via's Super Saturday set

By PETER CAR
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The Via All-Star Basketball Classic Super Saturday of games will be held this weekend, and the week kicks off with the 40th annual Via All-Star banquet.

Doug Flutie was the keynote speaker at the March 25 event, as the Sands Casino Resort in Bethlehem hosted the annual basketball celebration of 37 local high schools from the Lehigh Valley.

Flutie has been a football hero, receiving honors such as All American at Boston College, 1984 College Football Player of the Year, the 1984 Heisman Trophy Winner, 1991-1994/1996/1997 Grey Cup Most Valuable Player, NFL Pro Bowl, and NFL Comeback Player of the Year.

He and his wife established the "Doug Flutie, Jr. Foundation for Autism" in 1998 in the name of their son Dougie, Jr. to help less-fortunate families who have children with autism. He also created a cereal, Flutie Flakes, which benefits the Foundation. The Flutie Foundation has raised over \$18 million dollars for autism causes.

"Not only was he an outstanding athlete, but his work with the Doug Flutie Jr. Foundation has helped many affected by autism live life to the fullest," said Traci Cyr,

Via All-Star Basketball Classic committee chair. "The Doug Flutie Jr. Foundation helps people with autism get access to care; lead more active lifestyles; and grow toward adult independence. Flutie's advocacy and work helps organizations like Via of the Lehigh Valley by continuing to keep autism awareness and the need for services for families in the forefront."

The Via All-Star banquet recognizes members of the Via All-Star teams, Players of the Year, Teams of the Year, awards scholarships for student athletes and inducts members into the Lehigh Valley High School Basketball Hall of Fame, including: Jason Greene, Whitehall, Class of 2005; Liz Hayes, Easton, Class of 2003; Courtney Molinaro, Central Catholic, Class of 2005; Stacy Perryman, East Stroudsburg, Class of 1992 and Brant Weidner, Parkland, Class of 1979.

With the new Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, the Via All-Star Basketball Classic will have new teams for Super Saturday, which gets under way at 10:30 a.m. at Northampton Community College on March 28.

The teams divide schools from the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, Colonial League and several independent schools based on geography to form the teams listed below.

2015 Via All-Star Rosters

NORTH GIRLS

Coach Stacey Perryman, Pocono Mountain West
G Helena Bacheva, East Stroudsburg
North; G Abby Battle, Stroudsburg; G Jackie Benitez, Pocono Mountain West; G Shante Benjamin, Pleasant Valley; C Jenessa Fields, Pleasant Valley; F Rana James, Pocono Mountain West; F Deana McKeller, East Stroudsburg South; C Alpresia Parker, Pocono Mountain East; F Elizabeth Pope, Notre Dame-East Stroudsburg; G Jazzlyn Rodriguez, East Stroudsburg South; G Taylor Turrentine, East Stroudsburg North; F Emily Wilkens, Bangor.

NORTH BOYS

Coach Richard Baker, Stroudsburg
G Alex Bennett, Notre Dame-East Stroudsburg; F Daniel Cuevas, Stroudsburg; G Andre Jackson, East Stroudsburg South; G Edwin Lopez, Stroudsburg; G Tyrell Mann, Notre Dame-East Stroudsburg; G Eric Marbury, Pleasant Valley; F Shavawn Morris, Bangor; F Ramon Nedd, Notre Dame-East Stroudsburg; G Brody Plante, Plus X; G David Quiles, East Stroudsburg North; F Bryan Sharpe, Pleasant Valley; G Jake Steckel, Pocono Mountain East.

SOUTH GIRLS

Coach Jose Medina, Bethlehem Catholic
G Alexis Anderson, Dieruff; F Madyson Campbell, Southern Lehigh; C Meagan Eripret, Salisbury; G Kelly Gonoude, Salisbury; G Nicole Lacherza, Bethlehem Catholic; G Maggie Melhem, Bethlehem Catholic; F Bridget O'Donnell, Saucon Valley; G Elyssa Okken, Saucon Valley; G Abigail Omdahl, Saucon Valley; F Tyler Saraceno, Southern Lehigh; G Miranda Slater, Dieruff; F Kalista G Miranda Slater, Dieruff; F Kalista Walters, Bethlehem Catholic.

SOUTH BOYS

Coach Ben Tannous, Southern Lehigh
F Jaevan Dobbins, Liberty; G Ludwin Gonzalez, Liberty; F Isiah Gray, Allen; F Isaiah Johnson, Dieruff; G Noah Kant, Southern Lehigh; F Anthony Miller, Liberty; G Tyler Prescott, Emmaus; G Brendan Reichenbach, Salisbury; G Dashen Reid, Salisbury; G Connor Simpson, Saucon Valley; G Matt Smith, Saucon Valley; G Bryson Walton, Allen.

WEST GIRLS

Coach Rodney Strohl, Palmerton
G Aubrey Beidelman, Parkland; G

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Ryan McGuire is back for the 'Canes this year as one of their key players.

SPRING SPORTS: VOLLEYBALL

Hurricanes aiming to get back on track

By PETER CAR
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Following last year's 6-12 record, Liberty's volleyball team is ready to reverse that blip in Neid Ammary's tenure as head coach and compete in this year's East Penn Conference.

With plenty of returning players and some transfers from Bethlehem Catholic, Liberty should be on their way to competing for a spot in the district and league post-season.

"We expect to be much more competitive than we were last season," Ammary said. "We return a lot of players and we trained hard in the offseason, so we feel that we can compete for divisional, league, and district titles."

Back in the fold for Liberty include setter Jake

Gallagher, right side hitter Ryan McGuire, middle hitter Brett Bosak, outside hitter Logan Priestas, outside hitter David Strohl and libero Luke Alexy.

Outside hitter Grady Hackett and middle hitter Andrew Hudak are two transfers from Becahi that figure to pay dividends, especially Hudak, who was the center for the basketball team and gives Liberty a huge presence in the middle.

Setter Samwel Omwega also figures into the team's plans.

Figuring out how to operate with all the pieces Ammary has at his disposal will be the biggest task for the 11th year head coach.

"Because we have so much depth, we will have to experiment a little bit to

find our best lineup," he said. "Although we are more experienced than last year's squad, the majority of our players are still juniors, so we may struggle with consistency."

Parkland, Emmaus and Whitehall figure to lead the charge in the league again this year, but Liberty hopes they can be one of those surprise teams in the mix.

"Last year was the worst in my tenure here, but we gained a lot of valuable experience and continued to train hard in the offseason," said Ammary. "Our players had the humility and ambition to invest their time and energy in our offseason program, and that has made us much more competitive for this season."

Hawks are hoping to overcome inexperience

By PETER CAR
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Bethlehem Catholic volleyball coach Jarred Kostic hopes this spring will be better than last year for the Hawks on the court.

Coming off a 5-12 season a year ago, Becahi returns one starter and Kostic knows it'll take hard work for the Hawks to improve upon their situation in the East Penn Conference.

"The biggest key to our success this season will be patience," said Kostic. "The boys are working really hard in the gym, but they're getting a little frustrated because it's not

as easy as they thought it would be. We keep telling them to continue to work hard, continue to ask questions, and it doesn't matter how we start, but how we progress throughout the season and how we finish."

With the loss of seven seniors, as well as the transfer of Grady Hackett to crosstown rival Liberty, Kostic and company will have plenty of work to do in order to improve upon last season's mark.

Senior libero Zach Blair is the lone returning starter for Becahi, but is joined by seniors James Miller, Fred Taylor, Mike McDaniel, Chuck Benz-

ing, JT Barker and Freddie Simmons. His junior group features Kevin Strucko, Pat Mintzer, Chance Neilly, Deandre Tillit, as well as sophomore Mike Karoly.

With athleticism and height working toward the Hawks advantage, getting experience on the court will be vital.

"With one returning starter from last season, trying to get the new kids to learn the game quickly is the challenge I'm going to welcome," Kostic said. "Inexperience will be our weakness, but we'll work hard, have fun and try to do better than we did last season."

Chuck

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captains on defense, including one returned for a touchdown.

Born on May 1, 1925, in Bethlehem, Bednarik played football at the University of Pennsylvania after serving in World War II, where he flew 30 missions as a B-24 waist gun-

ner and was awarded the Air Medal.

Bednarik went on to earn All-America honors in his final two seasons at Penn and was selected by the Eagles first over in the 1949 NFL draft.

Since 1995, the Maxwell Football Club annually gives out the "Chuck Bednarik Award" to college football's best defensive player.

Bednarik is survived by Emma, his wife of 67 years, five daughters; Charlene Thomas, Donna Davis, Carol Safarowic, Pam McWilliams, and Jackie Chelius, 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

A public viewing for Bednarik will be held on Thursday at Connell Funeral Home in Bethlehem.

Viewing hours are 12-4 and 6-9 pm.

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but talented pitching staff," said Pitsilos. "If they can manufacture runs and play great defense, they will make a run and contend for the EPC title."

Newcomers include Ryan Wescoe (OF/Jr), Mike Lahman (1B-OF/Jr), Andy Rivera (IF-OF/Jr), Kyle Ross (C/Jr), Ben Kraihanzel (OF), Elias Gross (SS/So), Sam Kraihanzel (3B/So) and Mike Perrault (P-3B/So).

The biggest strength Pitsilos has entering this season is the depth of pitching and team defense, but needs to answer some question marks about the team's ability to manufacture runs.

"Our pitching staff is a bit inexperienced," he said. "There are three juniors and three sophomores, but the biggest thing we need to work on is scoring runs."

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season, as Gagnon was 1-3 a year ago with a 3.14 ERA, which also included a win over District 11 4A champion Parkland. Yocum was 4-3 with a 3.25 ERA and had a key win over Emmaus last season.

"Their records don't say much," D'Amico said, "but they've pitched in very big games for us last year."

The last part that D'Amico hopes will iron itself out is run production.

"We need to be a better hitting team," he said. "Last year we were streaky and I would like to be more consistent throughout the game."

'Canes

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think it's easier for the girls to speak to them and understand each other. The coaches have [played softball] at a higher level. There's respect back and forth," he said.

The seniors on the squad are mentally and intellectually strong, and Carrodo hopes the younger players will learn from that.

"I'm looking forward to the smiles on the players' faces when they get their first win and realize what kind of team they are," said Carrodo. "The reality is that [the coaches] don't play the game. The kids play the game. I want to see the light to go on when they realize, we're really good."

Pates

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Pollock are Freedom's captains.

Borger said, "We have a really good defense, and our hitting [is strong]. They've played together for awhile, and they've been playing for me for three years so we understand each other. I want to be able to give everyone playing time."

The Patriots are working on some mental aspects of the game.

"Trying to think ahead of the runner on defense, being one step ahead of the other team, getting a good jump for stealing," said Borger. "The whole team has good cohesion now."

Because of the new East Penn Conference, the Patriots will not be playing Whitehall and Emmaus this season. They will, however, face Pleasant Valley and Stroudsburg from the former Mountain Valley Conference.

"Pleasant Valley is always good. Stroudsburg has a good team, and the coach at East Stroudsburg South has them playing well," Borger said.

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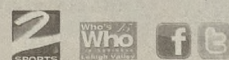
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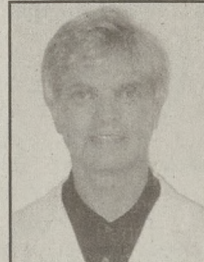
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Left to Right, Niko Franekic, number one singles, Ryan Schmidt, number two singles, and Peter Demyan, number three singles won their matches for Becahi against Allen on Thursday.

Hawks strong at singles

By KATIE MCDONALD
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Bethlehem Catholic High School tennis coach George Harmanos believes that the Hawks' strength will be in its singles players this season.

Returning at number one and number two, respectively, are Niko Franekic and Ryan Schmidt. Peter Demyan will play at number three. All are seniors.

"I feel good about singles. They played all four years, and they're great athletic kids. Part of it is confidence at number one

and two because they're back at those positions. Peter is a steady player. He had a great season at number three doubles last year," Harmanos said. "The big unknown is doubles, but we have some combos that we like at the present time."

Luke Mesko and John Corley are currently at number two. David Napierkowski and Yingyuan Gao are at number three, and Jack Jiang and Heshhanth Jaydrangan are at number four.

"I feel our doubles will be improving during the season. Our doubles will be critical to winning

matches, and we're focusing on getting them ready for the big-time matches," said Harmanos.

Last year, the Hawks placed third in the conference.

"We should be in the top three or four. We'll be able to compete with Liberty and Freedom. Emmaus beat us in a close match last year. Pleasant Valley and Stroudsburg are traditionally good," Harmanos said. "Hopefully we'll get a good seed for districts."

Becahi played its first match last Thursday, defeating William Allen, 7-0.



PRESS PHOTO BY KATIE MCDONALD

Left to right, Liberty tennis players, Dan Lynn, Milind Jagota, and Julian Mark are the Hurricanes' singles players this year.

Hurricanes start off 2-0

By KATIE MCDONALD
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Liberty High school's boys tennis team won its first two matches of the season last week, defeating Allen, 7-0, and Easton, 4-3.

Sophomore, Dan Lynn, returned to the number one singles spot this year. Junior, Milind Jagota, who played doubles last year, is at number two singles. Senior, Julian Mark, who also played doubles last year, is at number three singles.

Although the doubles teams had not been final-

ized as of Press deadlines, Alex Burlew and Evan Burlew are at number two, Luke Conrad and Jesse Claudio are at number three, and Duke Jin and Colin Bokin are at number four.

Jagota had the closest singles match of the day against the Red Rovers, losing to Ryan Betts 6-2, 7-5.

"[In the second set] I got more used to my opponent's style and shifted the way I was playing. He was very consistent so I had to get in the mindset that the points would be long, and I had to pay

attention to my footwork because it was messing me up in the first set," Jagota said.

Winning for the Hurricanes against Easton were Lynn 6-1, 6-2, Mark 6-1, 6-1, Burlew and Burlew 6-2, 7-5, and Claudio and Conrad 6-2, 6-1.

Liberty coach Leo Schnalzer said, "We have a fairly level team. They're all competitive players. We just missed districts last year. We were edged out with a winning record (8-6). Parkland, Freedom, and Emmaus will be strong, but I don't know much about the others."

Via

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Leanna Cruz, Whitehall; G Jade Farquhar, Palmerton; G Alyssa Mack, Central Catholic; F Giavanna Martinez, Northampton; G Sabrina Mertz, Northwestern; G Madison Mummey, Palmerton; G Jessica Olewine, Northern Lehigh; F Abby Reimer, Palmerton; G Olivia Roseman, Central Catholic; G Sarah Segan, Northwestern; F Darcy Wolf, Central Catholic.

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Salem Luth	43	20	.683
Salem UCC	42	27	.609
St. Paul's	39	27	.591
Dryland	38	28	.576
Emmanuel	38	31	.551
St. Stephen's	33	36	.478
Christ UCC	31	35	.470
Messiah	29	37	.439
Bath Luth	29	37	.439
Ebenezer	28	44	.389
Farmersville	19	47	.288

Bath Luth (8-4, 8-4) at Salem Luth (8-3)

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Salem UCC (4-1, 6-2) at Messiah (3-2, 11in)

S - Jack Troxell 6-13, Sherry Bush 5-11, Larry Bush HR.

M - Eric Harper 6-13, Rich Hasonich 4-12, Harry Schoenberger 4-13.

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St. Paul's (4-3, 10-2)

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St. Stephen's at Ebenezer (6-1, 1-0, 6-2)

EB - Steve Gouints 6-11, Vic Pacchioni 4-12, HRs - Carl Fraley, Carol Voortman.

SS - Bryant Conner 4-9, Ed Wychock 4-12.

Emmanuel (6-3, 4-3) at Christ UCC (2-1)

EM - Bruce Danyluk 7-14, Judy Hoffer 6-14, HRs - Jovi Rivera, Bob Bast.

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Farmersville at

Salem UCC (2-0, 3-1, 4-0)

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Good Samaritan's reward: Bullet

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

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

A good samaritan who tried to help a troubled man get off the streets recently was rewarded with a bullet to the head.

Jeffrey Knoble, Jr., age 25, was charged last week with homicide, robbery and a weapons offense for the shooting death of Andrew "Beep" White, whose body was found March 11, face down and stripped, at Room 418 of Easton's Quality Inn.

White had just rented the room. Law enforcement officials state there is no evidence of a domestic angle. District Attorney John Morganelli, who announced the charges, said the victim was "well regarded" and "all he was doing was trying to help a guy out."

White had previously been described as a "shining star" of the Easton Boys and Girls Club by its executive director, Dean Young.

On March 11, between 6:30 and 7 a.m., Lori Knoble received a call from her son, Jeffrey, who said he had just shot someone and was on his way to her home. When he failed to appear, she went looking for him and found him at the intersection of 10th



PRESS PHOTO BY BERNIE O'HARE
First Deputy DA Terrence Houck, who will prosecute Knoble, has yet to determine whether he will seek the death penalty.

and Northampton Streets in Easton. At that time, he showed her video of a man, face down, in what appeared to be a pool of blood. He told her he had stripped the

man and shot him in the back of the head. She dropped her son off at 4th and Northampton, and then contacted police. Knoble was ultimately taken into custody that

afternoon, after a brief standoff at his mother's home. While there, police located two cell phones and a semi-automatic 40-caliber gun that has been identified by Pennsylvania State Police as the weapon used to kill both White and a suspected gang member in New Jersey. Knoble reportedly acquired the gun from Tyquan Adon Emmons, a suspected Brims gang member who is also in custody at this time.

Easton Inspector Dan Reagan is looking for anyone who can provide information about Knoble's activity that day and can be reached at 610-250-6635.

First Deputy DA Terrence Houck, who will be handling this prosecution, declined to state whether Knoble has provided a statement to police. He acknowledged that the robbery is an aggravating factor that would justify the death penalty, but added that it's too early to state whether the death penalty will be sought.

White's sister arrived during the news conference announcing the charges, and sat silently as the prosecution team pieced the story together.



PRESS PHOTO BY TIM GILMAN

Miles to Killarney, an Irish folk band, plays Celtic music on St. Patrick's Day at the Publik House Restaurant in South Bethlehem. The trio is composed of Miles Hartl on guitar, Miles Necker on fiddle (rear) and manager Kaitlyn Davis, a Bethlehem resident, on lead fiddle. The recently opened hotbed for Irish fare offers a large menu featuring Celtic favorites and live music on some weekends, according to owner Jose Nunez of Fountain Hill opened the new Irish pub at 123 West Fourth St. Dec. 1. Nunez and his wife Rafaela also operate the nearby La Lupita Mexican restaurant.



Harpist Madeline Link plays Celtic music at McCarthy's Red Stag Pub in downtown Bethlehem during St. Patrick's Day festivities March 15. The legally blind musician, an 11th grader at Allentown Central Catholic HS, learns music by ear and performs Celtic and classical music regularly throughout the Lehigh Valley, according to her mother, Kathy Link of Allentown. "She's pretty busy with her traditional Irish Lever Harp," Mrs. Link said. McCarthy's Pub, located behind Donegal Square on the upper level of the British Isles store, features a predominantly Celtic menu with live entertainment regularly at the Main Street location.

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CANCER

Fundraiser walk set for March 28

Pediatric Cancer Foundation of the Lehigh Valley, Inc., is accepting registration for its sixth annual 5K Walk/8K Run to Live March 28 at the Ironton Rail Trail in Coplay to support local families dealing with pediatric cancer.

For more information, to register or donate, go to pcflv.kintera.org.

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LV annual benefit set for April 10

The American Red Cross of the Greater Lehigh Valley will hold the seventh annual Cabaret & Cuisine: At the Hop... Again! from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. April 10 at the Lehigh Valley International Airport Hangar 2, 3311 Airport Road, Allentown. The honorary event chair is John T. Yurconic, president of John Yurconic Agency.

1950s attire is encouraged. There will be a signature cocktail provided by Tito's Handmade Vodka; food by local chefs; complimentary wine, beer and soft drinks; games; auctions; and entertainment by DJ Frantic Freddie Frederick.

Sponsorship and other promotional opportunities are available. For information or to reserve tickets, call 610-865-4400 or email peter.brown@redcross.org

MORAVIAN

Vendor signups due by May 31

The Moravian Historical Society is accepting vendor applications for the 37th annual Arts & Crafts Festival from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 13, at the 1740-1743 Whitefield House, Nazareth. There is free admission, entertainment and parking.

Proceeds benefit the educational and preservation efforts of the non-profit organization.

For applications, due by May 31, and information, visit www.moravianhistoricalsociety.org, email info@moravianhistoricalsociety.org or call 610-759-5070.



Members of the Allentown chapter of the Honorary First Defenders who attended the commemorative service include (front) Gary Weaver, Lucille Gross, Capt. Rick Madzarac, Terry Lee,

(middle) Jerry Still, Joe Kuzma, Bill Mayo, Nathan Klein, (back) Greg Heller, Col. Nissely, Dick Schreiner, Sgt. 1st. Class Angelo Tartaglia, Tom Brobst, Roz and Carl Schroder.

PRESS PHOTOS BY SUSAN BRYANT

Zion's UCC salutes Honorary First Defenders



Civil War re-enactors' color guard members Rich Pauling, Capt. Rick Madzarac, John Moyer Jr., and Gary Weaver from the 96th Pennsylvania Regiment, post the colors prior at the recent commemorative service at Zion's "Liberty Bell" United Church of Christ, Allentown.



Civil War re-enactors' color guard members Chris Holub, Rich Pauling and John Moyer Jr. sing "The Vacant Chair" by George F. Root, as Jane Knotek, director of Music Ministry at Zion's, plays the piano during the service.

The Allentown chapter of the Honorary First Defenders was recently honored during a commemorative service at Zion's "Liberty Bell" United Church of Christ, Allentown.

The service, featuring choral music from the popular musical "Shenandoah," and the Civil War re-enactors' color guard from the 96th Pennsylvania Regiment, was based on the soldiers' prayer books from the Civil War.

Terry Lee, photographer for the Honorary First Defenders spoke with The Press at the service.

"The men of the Allentown chapter of the Honorary First Defenders were the first group to go to Washington, D.C., to protect President Abraham Lincoln in the White House at the onset of the Civil War," Lee said.

Following the service, guests enjoyed barbecue sandwiches, potato salad, chips and dip, fresh fruits and vegetables, beverages and cherry pie sponsored by the Honorary First Defenders.

After lunch, guests were allowed to view the current Liberty Bell Museum exhibit "Civil War 150," which celebrates the end of the Civil War.

By SUSAN BRYANT
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Guild Show Cancellation

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Don't forget our 66th Annual Juried Holiday Fine Arts and Crafts Festival at the same location on Sat., Oct. 31 and Sun., Nov. 1.

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Betty Stewart shovels freshly fallen snow March 5 outside her Easton Avenue home in northeast Bethlehem. The 92-year-old Christmas City native was cleaning around her front porch before passing the shovel to her son Bob Stewart. With the first day of spring just around the corner on March 20th, the old-timer is looking forward to milder, snow-free weather so she can hang up her shovel until next winter. Her son said, "A light onion snow in the spring might be all right."



Gary Moll and his young neighbor Wesley Shilanskas clear a sidewalk along Center Street in northeast Bethlehem after another snowstorm. The youngster has his own shovel provided by his father, John Shilanskas, who was nearby taking care of their own sidewalk. Moll, a friend of the Shilanskas family who had already shoveled his own property, said, "I like to help out my neighbors with their snow-covered sidewalks."



Sibling team Colin and Erin Perry shovel the sidewalk in front of their Maple Street home in Northeast Bethlehem. The children are helping their mother Stacey Perry, who was home watching them during the March 5 snowstorm, which shut down local schools for two days.



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Safety patrol students Zane Blevins and Jaden Rivera, wearing vests, help schoolmates Jett and Brandon Bortz cross a street near William Penn MS.



Crossing guard Sandra Pieller waits for children at her Elizabeth Avenue and Main Street post during the two-hour early dismissal for Bethlehem schools Friday. The Bethlehem resident said she's been helping children at intersections for five years.



A trio of Christmas City municipal snow-removal trucks make their rounds in Northeast Bethlehem along Linden Street during the March 5 storm which dropped six-plus inches of snow.



Shari Dunham holds an umbrella over her children Allen and Laura as they walk home through the snow in Bethlehem on the first day of spring. Dunham said her children attend the Lehigh Valley Academy Charter School and walk several blocks from their home to the bus stop.



Frozen water at the fountain in downtown Hellertown near City Hall on Main Street displays the natural beauty of the cold wintry weather which has besieged the Lehigh Valley recently, with temps well below freezing.



Bonnie Brulia of the 1400 block of Maple Street and a Bethlehem native shovels around her car last Friday afternoon during the first day of spring snowfall which left behind some 4 to 5 inches.



A U.S. Postal Service mail truck drives past snow-covered evergreens along Elizabeth Avenue in Bethlehem during an early March storm that blanketed the Christmas City with another fresh coat of the fluffy white stuff.



An Easter Bunny figurine in the yard of Erma Chuck along Easton Avenue welcomes spring. The Hellertown transplant said the figurines are about 30 years old. "I just enjoy putting them out for the holidays each year," she said.

Andrew Shaffer

Bethlehem Catholic HS

Grade: 12

Family members: I live with my parents, Russell and Karen Shaffer, and my pet gecko Omnicron. However, my family extends out of the Lehigh Valley to my older brother, Alexander, who is finishing his studies at the University of Pittsburgh.

Favorite subject: My favorite subject has been chemistry. Far from my notions of what it would be – a glorified biology class – chemistry turned out to be a brief glimpse into the nature of the universe. It revealed to me an innate order which, on the surface of the physical world, we could never see nor imagine.

Activities: Through school, I have been involved with varsity athletics in the form of track and cross country. Academically, I am a member of National Honor Society, a participant in various science fairs and current team captain of Becahi's junior engineering team. Outside school, I am actively involved in my church as a sacristan and altar server and in my scout troop.

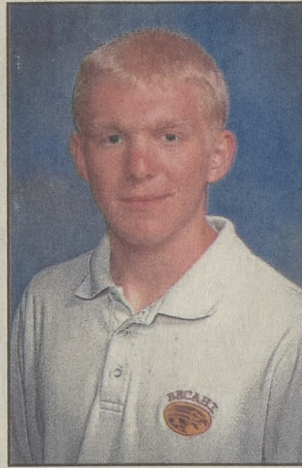
Next steps: I plan on pursuing an education in aerospace engineering.

Career Goals: Ultimately my goal is to get to Mars. However, with that dream a long way off, I would like to work for a private space company as a propulsion engineer and help pave the way to travel to the Red Planet.

Heroes: Aside from my parents, I would say Mike Rowe. Though it might seem odd to idolize the host of Dirty Jobs, Mr. Rowe and I share both a particular set of values based on the merits of hard work, and ironically, a speech impediment. He has obviously conquered his speech issue, which gives me hope that I can do the same.

Hobbies: I love biking and running, in addition to reading and writing. I also enjoy theater, an activity which, for the past two years, I have participated in with Becahi's theater department.

Volunteer/community work: In addition to service for scouting and school, I help the Knights of Columbus chapter at my parish.



Not only is it a good group to help, the Knights are a fantastic group of men to interact and work with in their various endeavors for the church.

Likes: I really quite like Mars. The Red Planet has always been an alluring place, but now, as I learn about the reality of space travel, it becomes less a fantasy and more a reality every day. Plus I believe Mars is future for humanity – our pale blue dot grows smaller every day.

Dislikes: Above all, I quite dislike ignorance. It is one side of a coin to be able to debate a point in a civilized manner and then be open to possibly changing your opinion based on the opposition's arguments. It is the completely opposite side which will disrespectfully refuse event to listen to the opposition's platform.

Greatest accomplishment (so far): I suppose my greatest achievement would be completing my Eagle Scout project, a memorial flagpole and walkway for the East Allen Volunteer Fire Department. This allowed me to finally reach the rank of Eagle. It was the culmination of 11 years of work, patience and effort toward a single point, which without the support of my friends and family, I could have never reached.

Advice for peers: You are capable of anything you seriously put your mind toward doing – you just have to admit to yourself that you can do it. That might be the hardest part.

Julia Swan coordinates student profiles for the Bethlehem Press.

Student profile subjects are selected by faculty and administration at the individual schools.



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Willy Wonka (Gabe Gonzalez) and CJ Van-Spanje (Charlie Bucket) are joined by the cast in "Golden Ticket."



Charlie Bucket (CJ Van-Spanje) performs "Think Positive" at dress rehearsal.

Nitschmann presents 'Willy Wonka'

The Nitschmann MS drama club presented the musical "Willy Wonka Jr.," performing six shows in February in the Nitschmann auditorium. "Willy Wonka" is based on the Roald Dahl children's book "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" and features the music and lyrics of Marc Shaiman and Scott Wittman. More than 100 cast and crew participated under the direction of Sarah Hrinjak.



Willy Wonka (Gabe Gonzalez) sings the opening song, "My Imagination," during a Feb. 10 dress rehearsal.

SAUCON VALLEYNEWS

Mini-THON 'inspiring'

Saucun Valley's second annual Mini-THON was a roaring success. Together we raised \$20,222.86 at the end of THON, which surpassed our goal of \$15,000. That almost doubles last year's amount! THON went from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. the next day. All of the participants were up on their feet dancing for those who



Abigail Backenstoe
Saucun Valley HS

can't. The night started off with a guest speaker, Vince Pantalone, who spoke about The Four Diamonds Fund and his son. Pantalone gave a very inspiring speech about how his son demonstrated all of the four diamonds; strength, courage, honesty and wisdom, in his life before it sadly ended. He gave every single dancer motivation to stay up through the night. The students then participated in various activities throughout the night and morning, such as dodgeball, matt ball, operation gumball, knock out, karaoke. See SAUCON on Page A16

BAVTSNEWS

Gearing up for spring

With the school year coming to a close, many schools are beginning to wind down. The Bethlehem Area Vocational Technical School, however, is still in full swing, preparing events to help its students on their way through



Teija Johnson
Bethlehem Area VTS

high school, as well as building career-based skills. BAVTS is starting to prepare for its annual car show April 18. This event, which is in its fourth year, raises funds for students who are involved in SkillsUSA, a nationally recognized trade competition. One hundred percent of the money raised goes to students who have advanced to the national level of the competition.

The car show is completely free to spectators, and the public will be able to enjoy tons of activities

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SAUCON

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jousting and several dance parties.

Mr. Matt Evancho, head teacher of Mini-THON, really wowed the crowd with his karaoke skills and was followed by other talented students.

All of the grades were separated by colored shirts. The seniors wore black, juniors wore red, sophomores wore grey, and last but not least, the freshmen wore white.

Once an hour, a line dance was taught by Rachel Alte-

mose and Jillian Sinko, two dancers from Saucon Valley, and performed by all of the dancers. The creative lyrics and fun dance moves kept the dancers going throughout the night. The seniors and juniors dominated the sophomores and freshmen in almost all of the events; but everyone participated and had a great time.

Luckily there were snacks and drinks thanks to some of the participants and their parents. Colorful signs, posters, streamers and balloons deco-

rated the gym.

Overall, the night went really well, even though it was a struggle to be on our feet for 12 hours straight. It was definitely worth it knowing everything we were doing was for the kids and The Four Diamonds Fund. The experience was humbling and unforgettable to all participants.

A big thanks to Maggie Hofstader, head of Mini-THON committee, and all of the teachers and students that helped and participated.

BAVTS

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offered by the various classes at BAVTS. Crafts, food, music, a basket raffle, children's activities and other entertainment will all be available, in addition to seeing the historical cars entered into the show.

To enter a car into the show, a \$15 fee is charged in advanced, or \$20 the day of the show. After registering, the first 50 people will receive a complimentary dash plaque. The cars are classified into groups

based on the decade they're from, and first through third place winners receive a trophy. Twenty-eight total awards will be given along with a "Best in Show" award.

The show will be held Saturday, April 18 with a rain date of April 19 at BAVTS. A community yard sale begins at 8 a.m., with registration for anyone still wishing to enter into the show following at 9. The actual show begins at 11 a.m., and the day wraps up

at 3 p.m. with the award ceremony.

Throughout the whole day, activities will be going on along with the car show that everyone from the community can enjoy. Be sure to stop by and support the students in BAVTS in raising the funds needed for their Skills National competition.

For any questions about the car show, contact Jeff Cantrel at cantrelj@bavts.org.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP

February departmental reports

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

Once a month, department heads provide commissioners with reports. Here are February's highlights.

Police - There were 68 accidents involving 131 vehicles and 16 injuries. Police issued 73 traffic citations, 17 parking tickets and 113 warnings. There were 20 misdemeanor or felony charges, along with nine summary offense charged and three DUIs. Police are investigating an unusual drive-by shooting in which a teenager was shot while seated in a parked vehicle. He escaped major injury.

The department has been selected to participate in the PSP Computer Crimes Task Force, with

Investigator David Ryan acting as point man for the township.

Public Works - Director Richard Grube's road crew was kept busy responding to storms on seven different dates. Though the snowfall was only between 2 and 4 inches, drifting snow presented challenges to keeping fire hydrants and school bus stops clear. The township exhausted its salt supply and was forced to go with a second vendor and invest in anti-skid materials, which Grube dislikes because the roads will need to be cleaned in the spring. Cold weather made pothole patching difficult, but that will be a priority in March.

Planning - Director Nathan Jones reports that

construction is under way at Madison Farms, People First FCU and the Northampton Community College dorm. He said the Chrin V7 plans have been formally withdrawn. He asked the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission to replace Keystone Bridge and would like a traffic study of the Butztown section of Easton Avenue. Finally, he is developing an action plan to streamline the local permitting process.

Community Center - Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will take place March 27 at 9:30 a.m. Call 610-332-1900 for reservations. Later that day, at 6:15 p.m., there will be an Easter egg hunt. Residents are being asked to provide their own baskets.

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Hannibal Buress's time has arrived

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By DEB BOYLAN
Special to The Press

If you are unaware of who Hannibal Buress is, then you haven't been looking. The 32-year-old stand-up comic has been honing his craft since he was 19-years-old and can be found seemingly everywhere these days. He's the next big thing you may not have discovered yet.

Buress can be seen on the critically-acclaimed Comedy Central show "Broad City," which is in the midst of its second season. He co-hosts "The Eric Andre Show," now in its third season on Adult Swim where he is the ideal laid-back counterpart to Andre's manic energy.

He's had parts in feature films, including last summer's hit comedy, "Neighbors," where he starred along with Seth Rogan and Zac Efron. He just completed shooting his next feature film, "Daddy's Home," where he will appear alongside Will Ferrell and Mark Wahlberg.

Buress brings his multi-city "Comedy Camisado" tour to the region: March 26, Grand Opera House, Wilmington, Del., and 8 p.m. March 27, Sands Bethlehem Event Center.

Buress, who recently finished taping the "Comedy Central Roast" of Justin Bieber set to air at 10 p.m. March 30, was in Los Angeles, enjoying a rare day off from performing. In a phone interview, he says he planned on spending his day "relaxing by the pool and watching roast videos" in preparation for the taping of the Bieber roast. "I met him briefly. He seemed like a nice kid," says Buress.

Buress has either worked with or toured alongside an A-List of comedians, including Louis C.K. Mindy Kaling, Aziz Ansari, Sarah Silverman and Amy Schumer. He consistently appears atop critics' short lists of up and coming comedians and is a favorite guest on the late-night talk show circuit.

He's been nominated for a primetime Emmy and



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Hannibal Buress, 8 p.m. March 27, Sands Bethlehem Event Center

Writer's Guild of America awards for his work as a writer for NBC's "Saturday Night Live" and "30 Rock." He's to star on his own TV show now in development for Comedy Central.

When asked what audiences can expect from his stand-up tour, Buress says, "It's mostly new material. And I incorporate some older jokes for people that know my older stand-up. It's gonna be me just talking about life and what's been happening, being 32 and just dealing with what my life is: traveling, working, family, sports and all of that."

The tour has taken Buress to a variety of rooms, ranging from large historic theaters to mid-size concert halls and smaller spaces. "You've got to approach it a little bit different when it's [a venue] with a few thousand seats. It's a different energy. You've got to kind of feel the space a little bit."

"I enjoy being a performer in a theater. These venues have a lot of history and a lot of great performers have performed at them, so I am glad to get to be a part of those groups."

"Performing at a comedy club will always be special. It's a comedy club, so people are tight together and that energy is really awesome, especially a well-constructed comedy club. You can't really beat that."

"But a theater has, you know, great architecture

and amazing sound and construction and is also a really good place to perform in. It's just cool because I performed in all types of places from 280-seat comedy clubs to, you know, 600-seat rock venues to 2,000-seat old theaters. So, it's been cool just learning and adjusting what I need to adjust."

Preparing and testing out new material often occurs on the fly because of his increasingly busy schedule.

"It depends if I have the time," Buress says regarding previewing new material. "If I am just running through and I'm doing a bunch of tour dates then I've just got to just try it in the show and a lot of times it works out OK. If you fit it in a good place in the show, it works," says Buress. "If I'm off the road and I'm in L.A. or New York or Chicago, wherever I am, if I have off days to go try it [new material] if it's at comedy clubs or open mics, then I'll do that."

"I've played Bethlehem, but I didn't play Sands. I played a smaller room at SteelStacks, like 300-400 people. That was couple years ago."

Buress has performed at casinos on occasion. "I haven't played that many casinos, actually. I've played Foxwoods a few times."

"It's fun [playing casinos]. I played Atlantic City a month or so ago. It's fun, but the energy is a little dif-

ferent in a casino. You're doing a show for a thousand people at a casino and some of those [people] have lost a lot of money. So yeah, that's a different thing than doing a regular gig."

"There's definitely somebody in there at a casino that has to explain some [stuff] to their family over the next 48 hours. I'm a gambler, but I like to consider myself a responsible gambler. Some people gamble and they kind of ruin themselves a little bit. I never want to gamble to the point where I've got to call my dad up."

"I haven't done enough [casinos] to really get the overall vibe of them but the couple that I have done have been good. So, hopefully, Bethlehem doesn't [mess] that up," laughs Buress.

If he has an opportunity time-wise, Buress will try to unwind the day of a show. He likes to explore his surroundings if possible.

"If I get in in the morning, I go get some food, go catch a movie sometimes on the road. It depends. If I'm feeling kind of tight, I go get a massage because I've been flying a bunch so my back can get weird sometimes."

"I walk around try to get a feel for the city if I can. To see if I can get a local joke. I'll check out the local newspaper. It's nothing crazy. It's just trying to kill time before the show, really."

8 DAYS A WEEK Your look ahead at Valley Arts



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Nicely, Nicely: "Guys and Dolls," above, one of the greatest musicals of the American stage, will be presented at 7 p.m. April 1, State Theater Center for the Arts, Easton. The show's many memorable songs include "Fugue for Tinhorns," "The Oldest Established," "I'll Know," "A Bushel And A Peck," "Adelaide's Lament," "If I Were A Bell," "Sue Me," "Sit Down, You're Rockin' The Boat" and "Luck Be A Lady." Music and lyrics are by the legendary Frank Loesser. The masterfully witty book is by Joe Swerling and comedy legend Abe Burrows. The musical comedy is based on Damon Runyon's short stories, "The Idyll Of Miss Sarah Brown," "Blood Pressure" and "Pick The Winner." The show opened on Broadway in 1950, receiving a Tony Award for musical. A 1955 movie version starred Marlon Brando, Jean Simmons, Frank Sinatra and Vivian Blaine. Tickets: State Theatre Box Office, 453 Northampton St., Easton; statetheatre.org, 1-800-999-STATE, 610-252-3132



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Princeton organist: Eric Plutz, above, recording artist and University Organist at Princeton University, Princeton, N.J., performs an organ recital at 7:30 p.m. March 27 in the "Arts at St. John's" series at St. John's Lutheran Evangelical Church, 37 S. Fifth St., Allentown. The program features works by J.S. Bach, Alfred Hollins, Adriano Banchieri, Percy Whitlock, and the Third Organ Symphony of Louis Vieme. James Hildreth of The American Organist has stated that Plutz "performs with gusto, flair, clarity and strong yet pliant rhythmic control." Plutz, who has released four solo organ recordings, has concertized across the United States. Plutz has been a guest artist with The Bach Choir of Bethlehem, National Symphony Orchestra, Choral Arts Society of Washington and the Washington Symphonic Brass. An artist's reception follows the concert. There is a suggested donation at the door for the concert. Information: 610-435-1587

'Mediterranean Mosaic' at Scottish Rite

By JENNIFER McKEEVER
Special to The Press

"It is time for a feast of the belly and feast of the soul," exclaims Morgiana Celeste Varricchio, Producing Artistic Director of Mosaic Dance Theater Company, which performs "Mediterranean Mosaic," 5 p.m. March 28, Scottish Rite Center, 1544 W. Hamilton St., Allentown.

The evening's festivities include a buffet of Mediterranean cuisine prepared by chef Naji Jabbour, Scottish Rite Center's catering manager.

Imagine, with your baba ghanoush and hummus, the stage becoming a portal to villages and places that transforms your palate with indigenous music and dance.

"We are specialized and not part of popular culture. We focus on cultural differences and our internal artistic desires," says Varricchio.

The performance by Mosaic, in its Allentown concert venue debut, is described as "a rich journey of dance, dinner-theater in two parts."

"The North Shore" (of the Mediterranean Sea) reflects the cultures of Turkey, Italy, Spain and Greece. "The South Shore" portrays North Africa and the Middle East.



PHOTO BY GARY HELLER

From left: Morgiana Celeste Varricchio, Nina Brewton, Samara Adell, Kendra Dushac, Mary Susan Sinclair-Kuenning, "Mediterranean Mosaic," Mosaic Dance Theater Company, 5 p.m. March 28, Scottish Rite Center, 1544 W. Hamilton St., Allentown.

Varricchio, a Lehigh University graduate and originally from Allentown, is thrilled to bring the New York City-based nonprofit dance company to her hometown. She was a solo artist in the early 1990's after receiving a Masters of Fine Arts from the Dallas Theater Center at Trinity University, Dallas, Tex.

In 2003, Varricchio collaborated with Samara Adell, a protégé to Ibrahim Farrah, a performer, teacher and scholar of Middle Eastern dance and founder and publisher of Arabesque, a journal of international and ethnic dance.

Adell, Artistic Director of Dance for Mosaic, explains, "We saw a void in

the world of cultural dance that Mosaic needed to fill and that is how the company came to be."

Varricchio and Adell are anthropologists of dance. Picture villagers with water jugs and the mountains of Lebanon. Dancers will portray the folklore.

"It is one thing to do the steps, but another to embody the music and dance with feeling from the people," Adell says.

Adell travelled to Turkey, Egypt and Morocco to research the music, folklore and costumes.

Rhythms from distant lands may be foreign to the untrained ear. Musical instruments are integral to maintain an account of a

tale or dance from a specific locale.

"The importance of percussion from this part of the world is phenomenal. It is important to understand the music and which it comes from so the dancer can adjust and move accordingly," Adell says.

"Using what you see in the world politically and socially, the excellence of other artists, Martha Graham, Alvin Ailey, the ballet and especially my inner world, is part of the process," says Adell.

Ticket information: BrownPaperTickets.com/eve/1121830, Mosaic-DanceTheaterCo.org, 1-800-838-3006, or at the door.



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Both sides now: The epic struggle between good and evil comes to life on stage in an all-new production of the musical thriller, "Jekyll & Hyde," above, 7:30 p.m. March 25, 26, State Theater Center for the Arts, Easton. The show's songs include "This Is the Moment," "Someone Like You" and "A New Life." The score of pop rock music is by multi Grammy and Tony-nominated Frank Wildhorn. The lyrics are by Wildhorn, Grammy-winning Leslie Bricusse and Steve Cuden. The book is by Bricusse. The musical opened on Broadway in 1997, receiving four Tony Awards nominations. The musical is based on Robert Louis Stevenson's novel, "The Strange Case Of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde." Tickets: State Theatre Box Office, 453 Northampton St., Easton; statetheatre.org, 1-800-999-STATE, 610-252-3132

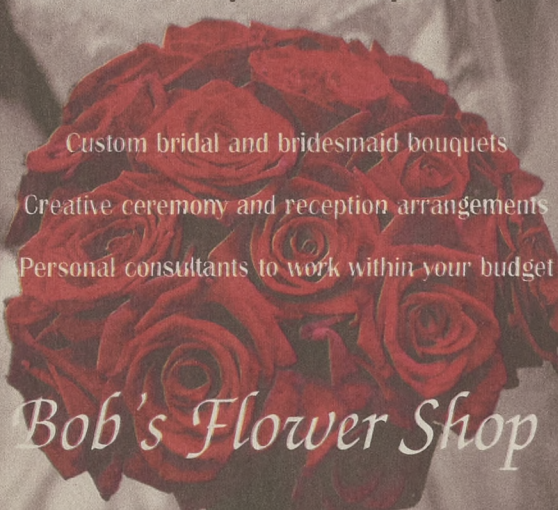
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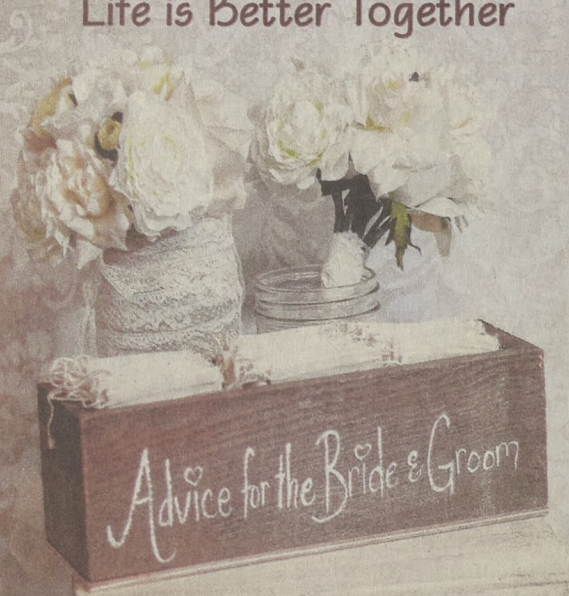
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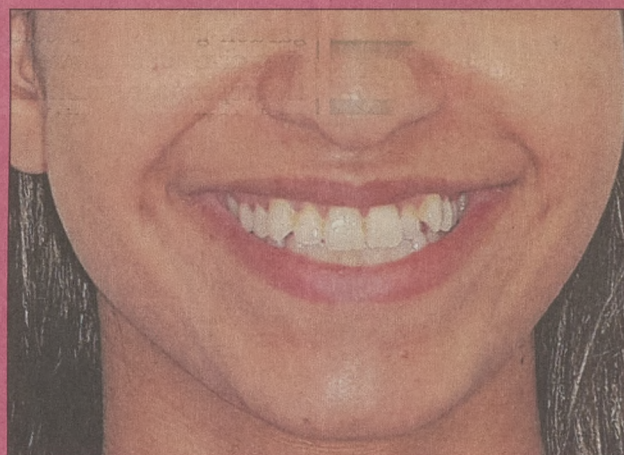
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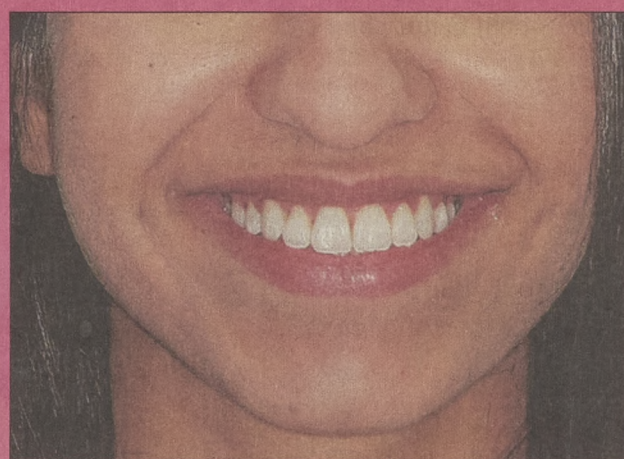
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12 Keystone Press Awards won by Lehigh Valley Press

The Lehigh Valley Press has won 12 awards in the 2015 Professional Keystone Press Awards. The Bethlehem Press, one of eight Lehigh Valley Press newspapers, won 10 awards, including the Sweepstakes Award which was won for the second straight year.

The Whitehall-Coplay Press won two Keystone Press Awards: First Place, Investigative Reporting; Johanna S. Billings, and First Place, Column: Mark Recek.

In addition to the Division VII Sweepstakes Award, which is based on the most number of awards and points won in a given division, The Bethlehem Press won nine Keystone Awards: Second Place, Column: Karen Samuels; First Place, General News: Bernie O'Hare;

Second Place, Ongoing News Coverage: Bernie O'Hare, Nate Jastrzemski, Dawn Nixon; First Place, Series: Katya Hrichak; First Place, Business-Consumer Story: Carol Smith; Second Place, Feature Beat Reporting: Paul Willistein (Focus section); Second Place, Photo Story-Essay: Nate Jastrzemski; First Place, Headline Writing: Paul Willistein (Focus section), and First Place, Graphic-Photo Illustration: Ed Courrier.

"It is quite an accomplishment for a newspaper staff to win Sweepstakes one year, but to win two years in a row is evidence of the quality of the work and planning that goes into publishing the Bethlehem Press not just one year but year after year," said Scott Masenheimer, Publisher, Times-News,

LLC, which publishes the Lehigh Valley Press.

"More important than the award is the knowledge that we are providing amazing work for our readers," Masenheimer said.

"Congratulations to all of you who placed in the competition," George Taylor, Editor, Bethlehem Press, said to the staff. "For the second year in a row, you have brought great honor to this publication. Please accept my heart-felt thanks for all the great work you do for our readers."

The Keystone Press Awards, for work published in 2014, will be presented at the contest sponsor Pennsylvania Media Association Keystone Press Awards Banquet, May 30, The Wyndham, Gettysburg.

St. Luke's Health Network named to nation's Top 100

St. Luke's University Health Network has been named one of the nation's 100 Top Hospitals by Truven Health Analytics, TM, a leading provider of data-driven analytics and solutions to improve the cost and quality of healthcare.

The Truven Health 100 Top Hospitals study identifies hospitals and leadership teams that provide the highest level of value to their communities, based on a national balanced scorecard.

The 100 Top Hospitals balanced scorecard measures overall organization-

al performance across 11 key analytic measures including patient care, operational efficiency and financial stability. The study has been conducted annually since 1993.

It's the third time St. Luke's has been recognized with this honor. It was also honored in 1997 and in 2001. All three times St. Luke's was ranked in the Major Teaching Hospital category. This year, it was included with Duke, Stanford and Emory universities.

"Why is this ranking

so significant? Because unlike other awards such as US News, this award is solely based on clinical outcomes, efficiencies of care and financial performance. This is the award that judges hospitals ability to thrive under new national imperatives to provide the highest value of care: great quality at lower cost," Rick Anderson, St. Luke's president and CEO, said.

The winning hospitals were announced in the March 2 edition of Modern Healthcare magazine.

CMS appoints new director

Community Music School (CMS), a non-profit organization providing music education to the Lehigh Valley since 1981, has announced the appointment of Jeff Reed as its director, succeeding Carolyn G. Clarke.

Prior to joining CMS, Reed was Director of Strategic Alliances, AARP, Washington, D.C., and Founding Executive Director of Mount Vernon At Home, Inc.

He received a Bache-

lor of Arts, with honors, from Dartmouth College. He is a life-long choral singer.

Reed resides in Salisbury Township with his wife, The Rev. Elizabeth Hoffman Reed, and their two children.

Clarke has been CMS director since 2009. She has been with CMS for more than 15 years, first in marketing and development.

"It has been an honor to have worked with our



Jeff Reed

Board of Directors, our professional faculty and staff, our community partners and our donors through my years of service," said Clarke.

Free 'History Expo' at LVHM

Admission is free for "History Expo, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. March 28, Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum, 432 W. Walnut St., Allentown.

"This event features an abundance of hands-on activities for children and adults, from old-fashioned crafts to trying on Colonial-style clothing and playing with old-fashioned toys and games, to building a waterwheel and learning about how to save energy and electricity," said Joseph Garrera,

Executive Director of the Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum.

More than 40 historical societies, house museums, and history organizations from the Lehigh Valley region are expected to participate.

Re-enactors will recreate a French and Indian War era encampment on the museum's 3.5-acre campus.

Abraham Lincoln, his wife Mary, and other historic figures will be portrayed.

There will be tours of the historic 1770 Trout Hall.

Singer-songwriter Dave Fry performs 11 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Bob Swaim will present his bicycles and will juggle.

The Thomas the Tank Engine Fun Room will be open.

There will be puppet shows.

Information: lehighvalleyheritagemuseum.org, 610-435-1074

Curtis violinist wins Schadt

Zeyu Victor Li, 18, a student at Curtis Institute of Music, Philadelphia, won the 19th Annual Schadt String Competition for Violin March 8 at Miller Symphony Hall, Allentown.

Li received \$8,000 and a solo performance with the Allentown Symphony Orchestra in November when he will perform the Sibelius Violin Concerto and the world premiere of "Rapsódico" by Roberto Sierra.

"Rapsódico" was commissioned by the Allentown Symphony Association in honor of the 20th anniversary of the Schadt String Competition.

Sierra attended the Schadt finals at Miller Symphony Hall to hear each of the eight semifinalists perform his piece for the first time.

For the finals, Li performed Sibelius's Violin Concerto in D minor, Op. 47 and "Rapsódico."

Clare Semes, who attends the Julliard School, received second-place prize of \$2,500.

Wei Lu, a student at the Manhattan School of Music, received the third place of \$1,500.

Li was accepted to the Curtis Institute of Music at the age of 14 in 2010 after attending the Shanghai

Conservatory of Music Middle School.

The final rounds judges included Ilya Kaler, Professor of Violin, DePaul University School of Music; James Buswell, who taught at the New England Conservatory (1987 - 2014) and is a violin soloist and chamber musician internationally, and Diane Wittry, Allentown Symphony Orchestra Music Director and Conductor.

Next year, the Schadt String Competition will feature the cello.

information: Stephanie Kocher, Allentown Symphony, 610-432-7961, or allentownsymphony.org.

'Mr. Turner': Masterpiece film

"Mr. Turner" is a film of stunning beauty. At times, viewing director Mike Leigh's lovely film is like seeing a landscape painting put into motion.



MOVIE REVIEW

By Paul Willistein

Some scenes depicting British landscape painter, Joseph Mallord William "J. M. W." Turner (1775 - 1851) are outlined as a solitary stroll against the ocean, cliffs or fields. The movie-goer is given the point of view of what the painter might be seeing.

The play of sunlight in Leigh's leisurely film (at two and one-half hours, it is enjoyable if about one hour too long) is a character of its own: the glowing morning light, the soft mist and bobbing sailboats against the sky.

those in Turner's life, including his father, William (Paul Jeeson); his housekeeper, Dorothy (Dorothy Atkinson); a widow, Sarah Danby (Ruth Sheen), with whom Turner is said to have had two daughters, and a widow in Chelsea, Mrs. Booth (Marion Bailey), whom he befriended.

Leigh, who wrote the screenplay, no doubt chose this emphasis because Turner is dubbed "the painter of light." In person apparently and as depicted late in his life in the film, Turner is anything but "light." To describe the painter as "gruff" and a "curmudgeon" would be an understatement.

Leigh ("Happy-Go-Lucky," 2008; "Vera Drake," 2004; "Topsy-Turvey," 1999; "Secrets & Lies," 1996) pays great attention to the settings in Chelsea, the interiors of the residences and the Royal Academy gallery, where paintings are hung frame against frame.

The dialogue of Turner (Timothy Spall) is spare to the point of being nonexistent, consisting mostly of the occasional one word. The limited dialogue may be one reason why Spall was not nominated for an actor Oscar. "Mr. Turner" received four Oscar nominations (cinematography, costume, original score, production design).

One quibble I have with "Mr. Turner" is the recording and/or enunciation of the dialogue in the first portion of the film, especially that between Turner and his father. The phlegmatic intonation and slurred words would've benefited from subtitles.

Spall (Winston Churchill, "The King's Speech" (2010); Beadle, "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber Of Fleet Street" (2007), Wormtail, aka Peter Pettigrew, "Harry Potter" films) is exceptional. He walks with the determination of a beetle. His body resembles the shape of a garden gnome. His cold eyes give silent answers. He responds to questions and comments with a bovine-like snort.

And there's the film's length. At times, you might say, it's like watching paint dry.

That said, "Mr. Turner" is exquisite. Like its namesake, the film is a masterpiece.

The film is not so much a biopic of Turner, but rather a perspective on a portion of his life. It seems to fairly well convey the tenor of Turner's times, down to the rivalries among members of the Royal Academy of Arts, and the personalities of

"Mr. Turner" is a must-see for art aficionados, fans of the films of director Mike Leigh, as well as fans of the estimable actor Timothy Spall.

"Mr. Turner," MPAARated R (Restricted. Children Under 17 Require Accompanying Parent or Adult Guardian.) for some sexual content; Genre: Biography, Drama, History; Run time: 2 hrs., 30 mins.; Distributed by Sony Pictures Classics.

Credit Readers Anonymous: "Mr. Turner" was filmed on location in London, Suffolk, Hertfordshire, Cornwall, Bedfordshire, South Yorkshire, West Sussex, England, and Wales, United Kingdom.

Box Office, March 20: "Insurgent" proved to be divergent, opening at No. 1, with a solid \$54 million, knocking "Cinderella"

from her No. 1 perch, with a still impressive \$34.4 million, \$122 million, two weeks; 3. "Run All Night," \$5.1 million, \$19.7 million, two weeks; 4. "The Gunman," \$5 million; 5. "Kingsman: The Secret Service," \$4.6 million, \$114.5 million, six weeks; 6. "Do You Believe?" \$4 million; 7. "The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel," \$3.4 million, \$24.1 million, three weeks; 8. "Focus," \$3.3 million, \$49.4 million, four weeks; 9. "Chappie," \$2.6 million, \$28.3 million, three weeks; 10. "The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge Out Of Water," \$2.3 million; \$158.7 million, seven weeks;

Unreel, March 27: "Get Hard," R: Etan Cohen directs Will Ferrell and Kevin Hart in a comedy about a millionaire who must do time in San Quentin and the man who prepares him for life behind bars.

"Home," PG: An alien lands on earth in the animated film that features the voices of Jim Parsons, Rihanna, Steve Martin and Jennifer Lopez.

"While We're Young," R: A middle-aged couple's life is disrupted by a young couple. Noah Baumbach directs Ben Stiller, Naomi Watts, Amanda Seyfried and Adam Driver in the comedy-drama.

"Serena," R: Bradley Cooper and Jennifer Lawrence ("Silver Linings Playbook," 2012) reunite, this time for a period piece set during the Great Depression about the splintering of a North Carolina timber empire.

Read Paul Willistein's movie reviews at the Lehigh Valley Press web site, thelehighvalleypress.com; the Times-News web site, tntonline.com; and hear them on "Lehigh Valley Art Salon," 6 - 6:30 p.m. Mondays, WDIY 88.1FM, wdiy.org, where the movie reviews are archived. Email Paul Willistein: pwillistein@tntonline.com. Follow Paul Willistein on Twitter @ PaulWillistein and friend Paul Willistein on facebook.

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STEELSTACKS Osborne postponed

Because of inclement weather, the concert by Joan Osborne at Musikfest Café, SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way, Bethlehem, has been postponed until April 9.

The Yardbirds' concert scheduled for April 9 at Musikfest Café has been cancelled as a result of the group postponing its spring tour.

Information: steelstacks.org

forms at 3 p.m. March 29, in the Music at Wesley series, Wesley Church, 2540 Center St., Bethlehem.

The trio is: Stefan Xhori, violin; Deborah Davis, cello, and Michael Toth, piano.

The program: Mozart's Trio in G Major, K. 496; Limos Dizdari's Trio No. 1 in A minor and Dvorak's Trio in E minor ("Dumky").

A donation is requested at the door.

continues through April 19, The Heller Homestead Art Gallery, 1892 Friedensville Road, Lower Saucon Township, will be held 7 - 9 p.m. March 30.

On Wednesdays during summer, club members hold "Paint-Outs" in the Lehigh Valley. In the winter, they meet indoors for portrait work at "Pain-Ins." The exhibit includes work from both events.

Information: sauconvalleyconservancy.org, 610-838-1199

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Raymond's comedy the Amish way

By DEB BOYLAN
Special to The Press

Twenty years ago, the man known these days as Raymond the Amish Comic was toiling away at a screen-printing factory. It would be the last day-job he would hold.

"In 1996, I was fired when I returned from my Christmas vacation," says Raymond, who lives in Emmaus. "I saved up my vacation so I could do some headlining from Christmas to New Year's in Reading; two shows a night, all sold-out.

"And they called me in to print three jackets over my vacation. I refused. So, when I got back from vacation, I got fired. That was my last day. It was a rotten job so it didn't really matter."

Raymond the Amish Comic performs in the "Two-Laugh Minimum" series, 8 p.m. March 26, Fowler Blast Furnace Room, ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way, Bethlehem.

Freedom from the constraints of a traditional job affords Raymond time to promote his act and arrange bookings. "It's feast or famine. This is a tough business," he says. "The way this business is set up I can do more for myself at home trying to find work. The struggle is trying to find work during the lean times."

Raymond, who does not use his last name, got his first exposure to audiences as a regular caller to the Lehigh Valley's "Bearman and Keith" radio show.

"I was in the screen-printing shop. It probably would have been back in 1991. We printed T-Shirts. That's all we did. And there was hatred and tension in the shop, and the Lehigh Valley radio guys, the Bear-



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Raymond the Amish Comic, 8 p.m. March 26, Fowler Blast Furnace Room, ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, Bethlehem.

man and Keith on WZZO, was on [tuned in] in the shop.

"I'd say goofy stuff and make them [co-workers] laugh and they would actually dial the phone and hand me the phone," he recalls. "I was on the radio probably a couple times a week for like six months from this print shop."

Raymond's calls to the radio show proved popular with the station's listeners and soon the hosts started scheduling his calls. "I used to have to take the phone and sneak into the bathroom at work to phone into the radio station. My career actually started in the toilet."

The notoriety from the radio calls launched the stand-up career of Raymond the Amish Comic. He considers himself a storyteller. He blends observational insights with one-liners and friendly pokes at the notion of being Amish.

Audiences expecting a pious fellow telling G-Rated barn-raising jokes will be sorely disappointed and may be even a little shocked. Raymond can curse up a blue streak.

First-timers to one of his shows should heed the warnings regarding language and adult content before purchasing tickets. All shows are intended for 18 and over. So, leave the strollers at home and check any outrage over adult language at the door.

"It seems surprising to me that people would be surprised. Going to a stand-up comedy show where they are serving alcohol and you are surprised an Amish guy is dropping F-bombs?" he observes.

"It was always this, maybe without such a nice hat. I have evolved into a cursing, ranting storyteller," says Raymond. "I know I was a lot more deadpan when I started out. I am a bundle of energy and I get worked up. When you are doing a slower pace, the drunks can eat you alive. So, I actually pushed my style to be faster and harder."

The Amish-themed reality TV shows and documentaries trend has not been the boon to Raymond's career.

"I had high hopes of my career skyrocketing on the

heels of 'Amish Mafia' and 'Breaking Amish,' but that was not gonna happen. I picked up a few people here and there, but for the most part, these did not have earth-shattering effects on my career at all, which was a big letdown."

Raymond has a distinctive appearance and often gets recognized when out in public. Rather than be annoyed, he embraces the recognition from his fans.

"I love it so much. For the most part, I have fun with it. I can hear them. They think I can't hear them, but I can. I'll be walking around and they wait until they are a couple feet behind me and they go, 'Do you know who that was?' I like that stuff," says Raymond.

Raymond is grateful for the support he receives from his family in his comedy career.

"I'm lucky because if the family ain't with you this ain't happening. There's a long horrible list of lonely, divorced comedians. I don't know how my wife tolerates the life of show business, but that's half of the battle right there. There's a great tolerance. She makes sure I have nice white shirts and my hat is ready to go."

His wife and daughter help him manage his social media accounts. While Raymond embraces the Amish culture, he's far from a Luddite. He worked at a Macintosh software company in the early 1980s when Apple computers were considered oddities.

Venues interested in booking Raymond the Amish Comic need not worry about providing a hitching post out front. Raymond's preferred mode of transport is, as he describes it, is "a Smurf-blue PT Cruiser."

The beauty of instant chemistry

I was excited last night because a very dear friend of mine was giving a talk at a church organization.

The last time she gave a talk, I was in the hospital so I had to miss it. I told my husband I would camp on the church steps if I had to because it meant a lot to me to be there this time.

"I didn't realize you knew her that well. She doesn't live around here. How do you know her?" he asked.

When I told him I met Lisa at a church seminar, he wanted to know how long I knew her. "It can't be that long because you just started going to those retreats," he commented.

"Forever," I told him. "I know her forever, or at least it seems that way."

Every now and then when we meet someone there is an instant chemistry that bonds us. I don't know how to explain it other than saying it's like two souls that recognize each other, even though you are just meeting.

It doesn't happen often, but when it does, it's magical.

When I first met Lisa there were four or five of us who stayed up late talking after the programs were over. She and I stayed a bit after the others left because of that instant chemistry I told you about.

There was a level of understanding and trust that normally takes years to develop. We talked long into the night, then did the same thing the next night.

While I am outgoing by nature, I am also normally reserved when I'm in a group or if I'm just getting to know someone. And most times, I stay that way with others.

I recognize there are different levels of friendship. Some say I have "a ton of friends."

That might be true. But most of those friends are what I call "activity buddies." We are often together because we share the same interests. I value the activity buddies I have in my kayak club, dance group and shell club. We have fun together and I always look forward to being with them.

But after years of time spent with them, if someone asked them to write down everything they know about me personally, they would only be able to write a few sentences of basic facts: Likes kayak, likes dancing, likes biking and the outdoors, married to David.

That's about what they know about me because I am not the type of person who shares my private life or my deepest thoughts. I reserve that for my husband and a handful of close friends with whom I share a bond. Most of those bonds come from a long-term friendship.

So it's more than a bit rare when I experience instant chemistry and trust.

I think it was recognition of shared values that

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made it happen between Lisa and me. When we talk, it's on a deeper level than with most of my conversations.

That's what I find with the rare bouts of instant chemistry of friendship — there is nothing superficial about our conversation. Instead, it's heartfelt and gut honest.

How many times can you be like that with someone? How many times can you be gut honest about your life or your feelings?

I find that much of the conversation with many people is superficial. It's pleasant. It's safe. And that's fine. I don't think we're meant to open up the well of feelings until a level of trust has been established.

I was at a luncheon when a woman at my table starting telling us about family problems, going into detail about her husband's drinking and the rejection she gets from her family.

Another woman at the table looked at her and said: "Too much information."

The troubled woman trusted her feelings to relative strangers, and it didn't go over well.

Trust is a gift, one that can't be given without caution. Why then does trust come quickly during the rare times when we have instant chemistry with someone? I don't know that answer. I only know it's as rare as an albino kitten.

While it's rare for me to experience that chemistry, when it does happen it always turns into what I call a "forever friendship."

Forever friends are few and far between, too.

Forever friends are those who are always there for you when you need them through life's ups and downs.

Whether you are near each other or miles apart, you feel close to them. And if you don't see each other for a long time, the next time you are together it's like you were never apart.

There is no "warming up" with a forever friend. There is only "catching up" because you are sincerely interested in sharing each other's life.

If you make a social boo-boo with a forever friend, he or she won't hold it against you. True friends don't do that.

Lenny, one of my few forever friends, once told me "friends don't count." They don't count who called whom and who owes whom a visit. They don't count favors and they don't count your transgressions.

Well, I count. I count my blessings with every forever friend in my life.

If you're lucky enough to have a forever friend or two, you know what a gift that is.

Film about Beethoven's Ninth in Miller Symphony Hall series

The documentary film, "Following The Ninth: In The Footsteps of Beethoven's Final Symphony," will be shown at 6:30 p.m. March 26, Miller Symphony Hall, Allentown.

Kerry Candaele, director of the documentary film, will talk at 5:30 p.m. and Diane Wittry, music director-conductor of the Allentown Symphony Orchestra, will talk at 6 p.m. The program is part of the "Wine Down Thursday" series.

"Following The Ninth" is a documentary film

about the influence of Beethoven's Symphony No. 9, his final symphony, on world events and individuals.

The film has been shown in more than 150 cities in the United States and Europe.

Of the film, Bill Moyers has said, "Following The Ninth" is beautiful and powerful."

Don Reinhold, executive director of the Wichita Symphony, called the film "a very worthy project."

Dean Corey, executive director of the Philhar-

monic Society of Orange County, said, "Kerry Candaele's 'Following The Ninth' rings true for the music scholar and historian as he combines new and archival footage and expert commentary to document the wide social influence of Beethoven's transcendent masterpiece."

Ticket information: Miller Symphony Hall Box Office, 23 N. Sixth St., Allentown; allentown-symphony.org; 610-432-6715

LCCC 'Open House' for new students

An "Open House" will be held 6-8 p.m. April 9, Community Services Center, Lehigh Carbon Community College (LCCC) Main Campus, Schnecksville, North Whitehall Township.

LCCC Admission and financial-aid representatives, academic counselors and academic program coordinators will be available to answer questions.

Prospective students and their parents may tour the campus and learn about scholarship opportunities.

To register: lccc.edu/openhouse, 610-799-1575.

Facts about anesthesia can reduce fears

Q I'm a senior who's having surgery and the one thing that scares me more than anything else is the anesthesia. Can you tell me anything to reduce my fear?

There are probably several sources for your fear. The first is that you're older and wonder if you're at greater risk than someone younger. The second is that anesthesia can be dangerous to anyone. The third is that you'll lose total control when you're under. I hope some of the facts about anesthesia will help with all of your fears.

Anesthesia is risky, but it is safer than ever for all age groups. Your age is not as important a risk factor as your medical condition and the type of surgery you are having.

Safer drugs and major advances in the monitoring equipment doctors use in surgery have reduced anesthesia complications. In the last decade alone, deaths caused by anesthesia have dropped 25-fold, to 1 in

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In addition, shorter-acting drugs, more specific drugs and new intravenous drugs can minimize the nausea and vomiting that sometimes occur after anesthesia.

There are three main types of anesthesia: general, regional and local.

General anesthesia makes a person unconscious so that the entire body is pain-free. Regional anesthesia is used to block sensation in one area of your body. Local anesthesia numbs a small part of your body.

General anesthesia is used for extensive surgeries. The drugs used in general anesthesia are given intravenously or are inhaled. They act as hypnotics, painkillers and muscle relaxants, and they block your memory of the surgery.

Regional anesthesia is

injected around a single nerve or a network of nerves that branches out and serves an area. For example, spinal, epidural and caudal anesthesia are injected into or near the spinal fluid, effectively numbing nerves that serve the lower half of your body.

Local anesthesia may be used to numb only a small area of nerves at the site where the surgeon plans to operate, such as for cataract surgery. Local anesthesia is also used for minor procedures such as skin biopsies and stitching a cut.

During local and regional anesthesia, patients often receive intravenous drugs for sedation so that they can be comfortably drowsy during surgery and remember little of their time in the operating room.

Before your surgery, you can also expect questions from your doctors regarding your anesthesia. The following have to be considered: medical problems you might have, medications you take,

whether you smoke or drink alcohol, any allergies you have, previous negative experience with anesthesia, and adverse reactions to anesthesia by other family members.

The information collected by your doctors guides them in their treatment. For example, smoking or alcohol consumption can influence the way an anesthetic works in your body during surgery. Knowing whether you smoke or drink alcohol allows your anesthesiologist to choose anesthetics that are suited to you. And, some anesthetics include components of certain foods, such as albumin from eggs. Discussing food and drug allergies beforehand helps your anesthesiologist make important drug choices.

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CEDAR CREST Forensic forum open to public

The theme for the 13th Annual Forensic Symposium March 28 at Cedar Crest College, Allentown, is "Falcon Files: The Next Generation," showcasing new technologies in the world of forensic science and how they are applied in modern laboratory case-work.

"The goal of the symposium is to give our students and the public the opportunity to interact with professionals in the field and expose them to things they might not encounter as students," said Prof. Lawrence Quarino, Ph.D., Director for the

Forensics Sciences Program at Cedar Crest.

Among the topics are the use of DNA to stop human trafficking and how pharmacological and entomological findings aid criminal investigations.

Speakers include a Cedar Crest alumna working in the Sexual and Violent Crimes Unit of the Air Force Office of Special Investigations, the CEO of the National Forensic Science Technology Center (NFSTC) and a forensic entomologist.

Information, including a list of all presenters, and to register: Shannon Wenner, slwenner@cedarcrest.edu, 570-578-8102; Janine Kishbaugh, jmkish@cedarcrest.edu, 610-606-4666, ext. 3643

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10:30 a.m. Worship

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Colorful craft fair

Jillian Sommer, Mya Frana, Melissa Dice and her daughter Madison, all of Hokendauqua, admire the bags in all shapes, sizes and colors at St. Peter's craft fair, held Saturday in the social hall of the Coplay church. The event was sponsored by parents and friends of the church's youth group.
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Answer to previous puzzle

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Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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Thursday, April 2: Roasted turkey breast, French green beans, oatmeal cookies.
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For locations, call 610-559-3245
Wednesday, March 25: Meatball sandwich with mozzarella cheese, tossed salad with French dressing, fruit cocktail.
Thursday, March 26: Onion Romano soup, baked ham, praline sweet potatoes, green beans almondine, home baked roll with margarine, coconut custard pie.
Friday, March 27: Macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, Romaine salad with ranch dressing, wheat bread with margarine, raspberry-filled cookie.
Monday, March 30: Veal parmesan, cavatappi marinara, Italian vegetable blend, Italian bread with margarine, chilled applesauce.
Tuesday, March 31: Minestrone soup, marinated turkey cutlet, red potatoes, garden vegetable blend, wheat bread with margarine, tapioca pudding.
Wednesday, April 1: Chicken noodle soup, barbecue pork croquette, mashed potatoes, sour cream cucumber salad, wheat bread with margarine, angel food cake with strawberry topping.
Thursday, April 2: Beef stew, fresh biscuit with gravy, green peas, tossed salad with Italian dressing, chilled peaches.
Friday, April 3: Closed for Good Friday.

CRYPTOGRAM

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A QJ EKW UDQXZ QRKGW JKLW CAESL KM
RFQLWL WPQW UKGTS RF AE WPAL XKK.
A J KETZ AE AW MKD WPF JKECFZ

See cryptogram answer on page B10

Today's Cryptoquip clue: K equals O

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

STARTING SOUND-LIKES

- ACROSS
- 1 Modify, as a bill
 - 6 With 68-Across, deli container
 - 12 "Bewitched" witch
 - 20 Stinky stream system
 - 21 Confession
 - 22 Acquired
 - 23 They have bases of romaine
 - 25 Common way to sell goods
 - 26 Boxing double-whammy
 - 27 Prefix with hazardous
 - 28 What cleats improve
 - 29 Article of Cologne
 - 30 Young 'un
 - 31 Leading
 - 33 Try to find a safe place
 - 36 Irishmen, e.g.
 - 38 Jokester Jay
 - 39 Skit show since '75
 - 40 Onetime popular pair in Vegas
 - 46 Spring in a dry stretch
 - 50 Doctrine suffix
 - 51 Nunery
 - 52 Lawn stuff
 - 54 Ending for duct
 - 55 Shampoo additive
 - 57 Embellish richly
 - 58 Book by a bed
 - 59 The Bruins of the NCAA
 - 60 Hardly harsh
 - 63 Halt, legally
 - 66 Pale violet
 - 68 See 6-Across
 - 69 Socialist philosopher
 - 70 Live for right now
 - 76 Less trustful
 - 79 Place
 - 80 Chocolate stand-in
 - 81 Petty of Hollywood
 - 83 "I never — purple cow ..."
 - 84 — Taylor (clothing retailer)
 - 85 Matthews of "Hardball"
 - 86 They're hit at parties
 - 89 NSFw part
 - 90 Bungle
 - 92 Vista points
 - 95 Was in command of
 - 97 Royals manager Ned
 - 98 Qatari chiefs
 - 99 It began with the Tertiary Period
 - 104 Plus
 - 105 Tar's spar
 - 109 Line crossing the origin
 - 110 One with a B.A., say
 - 111 Jazz band's engagement
 - 112 Appease
 - 114 Guy hawking

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- DOWN
- 1 Foppish tie
 - 2 Spiteful type
 - 3 Tech mag
 - 4 Retirement savings
 - 5 No-win situation
 - 6 Ballet step
 - 7 Goran of tennis
 - 8 Two-dot mark
 - 9 Michelle of figure skating
 - 10 Young 'un
 - 11 Letters before ems
 - 12 Flash
 - 13 MGM motto ender
 - 14 Changes gradually
 - 15 One, in Yahtzee
 - 16 Sweet bread spread
 - 17 Property
 - 18 German poet Heinrich
 - 19 Actress Stella
 - 24 "Night of the Living Dead" director
 - 28 Atlanta locale
 - 32 Ding —
 - 33 Email folder heading
 - 34 Last part
 - 35 905-year-old in Genesis
 - 37 N.Y. Jets' gp.
 - 38 Get hired
 - 40 Chang and Eng's land
 - 41 Capri or Ely
 - 42 Skin softener
 - 43 Proof mark
 - 44 City in Algeria
 - 45 Prison parts
 - 47 Pastoral folk dance of Italy
 - 48 Troubles
 - 49 See 104-Down
 - 53 "The Exorcist" actor Max von —
 - 56 Doolittle of "Pygmalion"
 - 58 Run-down
 - 59 Exploitative sorts
 - 61 Shout to a matador
 - 62 Timepiece
 - 64 Cooke with soul
 - 65 MLB stat
 - 67 Burns partly
 - 70 Car from Sweden
 - 71 Rubik of Rubik's Cube
 - 72 Funny Idle
 - 73 Sauntered
 - 74 It's prohibited
 - 75 Trip-taking equipment
 - 77 "Star Wars" furball
 - 78 "Shoot!"
 - 82 Bullet points
 - 85 At the home of, to Henri
 - 86 Galileo's birthplace
 - 87 Songlike
 - 88 35mm camera choice
 - 91 Least far-off
 - 93 — wester
 - 94 Diffuses gradually
 - 96 Sets of doctrines
 - 99 Houses, in Havana
 - 100 Praise highly
 - 101 — Wafers
 - 102 Plenty angry
 - 103 Alternatives to walkers
 - 104 With 49-Down, option for an air passenger
 - 106 Really irked
 - 107 1953 Alan Ladd film
 - 108 Lab activities
 - 111 Heredity unit
 - 113 "My treat"
 - 115 Role in "The Hangover"
 - 116 NFL coups
 - 117 Savage sort
 - 118 Corp. execs

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220 ARTICLES WANTED

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345 YARD SALES

CATASAUQUA Indoor Garage Sale in Lehigh Valley Christian HS gym (former Lincoln Middle School).

GIANT YARD SALE Parkland High School April 18, 2015 - 9 - 2 SELLERS WANTED

390 HELP WANTED

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Customer Service Supervisor FT position avail. w/worldwide retailer launching a customer service team in Bethlehem.

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Machine Operators FT pos. avail. in Fogelsville. 7pm-7am. \$14.58/hr.

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Production FT positions in Kutztown. 1st, 2nd & 3rd shifts. \$10-\$11/hr.

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DEADLINES
Classified Line Ads and Legal Advertising
Deadline is Monday 12 Noon for same week.

PUBLIC NOTICE
BIDS WANTED
Sealed electronic bids will be received by the Lehigh County Schools Joint Purchasing Board, until 2:00 p.m., April 7, 2015 for the following:
Art Supplies
All bids will be exclusively received and processed through the Eschoolmail easyBid application process at www.eSchoolmail.com; the failure to follow this process (no paper submissions will be considered) will disqualify the bid submission.

PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
OF LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
CIVIL ACTION - LAW
MICHAEL MANTONE and LYNN MARIE MANTONE, Husband and Wife, No. 2013-C-4691
Petitioners,
Vs.
MICHAEL KLITCHKO,
Respondent.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Emmaus Borough Council will be voting on the following Ordinance at its April 6, 2015, Council Meeting:
BEFORE THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF EMMAUS LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
ORDINANCE NO. 1125
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 1, PART IV, SECTION A, COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL, OF THE BOROUGH OF EMMAUS CONSOLIDATED CODE OF ORDINANCES
The Meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall, Council Chambers, 28 South Fourth St., Emmaus, PA. The proposed Ordinance is available for inspection at Town Hall, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Shane M. Pepe, Borough Manager

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
ZONING HEARING BOARD
Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held by the Zoning Hearing Board of Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, PA on Tuesday April 7, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Ave., Allentown PA 18103.

950 South Ott St., Allentown, PA 18103 - APPEAL NO. A-15-6860
Hear the Appeal of Gerald Royer, Trustee to Western Salisbury Volunteer Fire Company for variance and interpretation of Chapter 27 - Salisbury Township Zoning Ordinance. The Applicant requests the following:

Special Exception as referenced in Section 306.2 whereas an emergency service station located in the R-2 Zoning District is permitted by Special Exception.

Variance from Section 307.2.A to the minimum building setback for any permitted nonresidential principal structure to a residential lot line that requires a 50 foot setback; and/or
Special Exception consideration as noted in Section 806.3.B(2) which affords a reduction in setback due to a nonconforming lot or structure.

Variance from Section 307.2.A. relative to maximum building coverage that requires 25% in the R-2 Zoning District. The existing building coverage is currently 18.6% and the proposed coverage is 25.1%.

Variance from Section 307.2.A relating to impervious coverage that allows for a maximum of 50% in the R-2 Zoning District. The existing impervious coverage is 53.3% and the project proposes 64.1%.
Mar. 18, 25

NOTICE
A Petition for Judicial Dissolution of a General Partnership pursuant to 15 Pa.C.S.A. § 8354 (5) has been filed with the Court because the Partnership is losing money and the Mantones wish to end the partnership and sell the houses and they cannot locate you. ON APRIL 2, 2015 AT 9:30 AM IN COURTROOM 2A OF THE LEHIGH COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS AT 5TH AND HAMILTON STREET they will ask the Court for an Order to sell the land and pay off the losses they have incurred.
If you wish to defend, you must enter a written appearance personally or by attorney and file your defenses or objections in writing with the court. You are warned that if you fail to do so the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you without further notice for the relief requested by the plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.
YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW. THIS OFFICE CAN PROVIDE YOU WITH INFORMATION ABOUT HIRING A LAWYER.
IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO HIRE A LAWYER, THIS OFFICE MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH INFORMATION ABOUT AGENCIES THAT MAY OFFER LEGAL SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE PERSONS AT A REDUCED FEE OR NO FEE.
Paul Johnston
201 East Main Street
Macungie, PA 18062
610-530-0772
Mar. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Bethlehem Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, will consider for adoption at a Public Meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m. on the 6th day of April, 2015, at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 5-13, as set forth in the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 1, Administration and Government; Part 5, Pension and Section E, establishing the Bethlehem Township Employees' Defined Contribution Pension Plan.
Copies of the proposed Ordinance are available for review at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building located at 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania during normal business hours.
The following is the proposed Amendment to Ordinance:
ORDINANCE NO. - 15
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON, PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5-13, AS SET FORTH IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 1, ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNMENT; PART 5, PENSION AND SECTION E, ESTABLISHING THE BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEES' DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION PLAN AS THOSE PROVISIONS HAVE BEEN AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, Pennsylvania adopted Ordinance 5-13 on December 16, 2013, establishing the Bethlehem Township Employees' Defined Contribution Pension Plan; and
WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem have from time to time amended Ordinance 5-13; and
WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 7.2 of the Bethlehem Township Employees' Defined Contribution Pension Plan (the "Plan"), as amended, the Employer, the Township of Bethlehem, now desires to further amend the Plan as hereinafter set forth.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, Pennsylvania that the Bethlehem Township Employees' Defined Contribution Pension Plan, pursuant to Section 7.2 of the Plan, shall be amended and the President of the Board of Commissioners and Township Manager, as agents of the Employer, are authorized and directed to execute the Plan Amendment which shall read as follows:
SECTION 1: Compensation
Section 1.2(b) of the Plan is amended to read as follows:
(b) Exclusions from Compensation - Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1.2(a), the following types of remuneration shall be excluded from the participant's compensation:
(i) Opt-out payments for waiver of coverage under employer group health plan."

SECTION 2: Plan Participation
Section 2.2(a)(2) is amended by adding the following to read as follows:
"(i) Employees who are members of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (A.F.S.C.M.E.) union who were hired before January 1, 2015, and are eligible to participate under the Bethlehem Township A.F.S.C.M.E. Employees Pension Plan."

SECTION 4: Effective Date
This Amendment to the Plan shall be effective as of July 1, 2015.
SECTION 3: Remaining Plan Provisions
All other provisions of the Plan shall remain in full force and effect.
James L. Broughal, Solicitor
Bethlehem Township
38 West Market Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018
Mar. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ORDINANCES
TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Supervisors of North Whitehall Township will consider the following Ordinances at a public hearing on Monday, April 6, 2015, beginning at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the North Whitehall Township Municipal Building meeting room, 3256 Levens Road in Ironton, Pennsylvania.

Proposed Ordinance 2015-3
ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2007-12 REGARDING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR CONDUCT AND USE OF THE PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS, RECREATION AREAS AND OPEN SPACE AREAS OWNED OR OPERATED BY NORTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP

Proposed Ordinance 2015-4
ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2004-7 AND PROVIDING FOR A CONTINUED FRANCHISE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH BLUE RIDGE COMMUNICATIONS

Proposed Ordinance 2015-5
ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1995-2 AND PROVIDING FOR A CONTINUED FRANCHISE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH SERVICE ELECTRIC CABLE TV, INC

Proposed Ordinance 2015-6
ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1995-7 AND PROVIDING FOR A CONTINUED FRANCHISE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH RCN TELECOM SERVICES, LLC

Inspection and copies of the complete proposed ordinances are available for review by the public at the Township Municipal Building, by contacting Brenda Norder, Township Secretary, and will also be on file at this newspaper. Any individual who requires special assistance in order to attend the hearing should contact the Township Secretary at least one week prior to the hearing. The Township Municipal Building is handicapped accessible.
Lisa A. Young, Esquire
Solicitor, North Whitehall Township
Mar. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Bethlehem Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, will consider for adoption at a Public Meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m. on the 6th day of April, 2015, at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 1-97, as set forth in the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 1, Administration and Government; Part 5, Pension and Section C, establishing the Bethlehem Township Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan.
Copies of the proposed Ordinance are available for review at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building located at 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania during normal business hours.
The following is the proposed Amendment to Ordinance:
ORDINANCE NO. - 15
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON, PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1-97, AS SET FORTH IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 1, ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNMENT; PART 5, PENSION AND SECTION C, ESTABLISHING THE BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP NON-UNIFORMED EMPLOYEES' PENSION PLAN AS THOSE PROVISIONS HAVE BEEN AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, Pennsylvania adopted Ordinance 1-97 on February 3, 1997, establishing the Bethlehem Township Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan; and
WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem have from time to time amended Ordinance 1-97; and
WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9.2 of the Bethlehem Township Non-Uniform Employees' Pension Plan (the "Plan"), as amended, the Employer, the Township of Bethlehem, now desires to further amend the Plan as hereinafter set forth.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, Pennsylvania that the Bethlehem Township Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan, pursuant to Section 9.2 of the Plan, shall be amended and the President of the Board of Commissioners and Township Manager, as agents of the Employer, are authorized and directed to execute the Plan Amendment which shall read as follows:
SECTION 1: Compensation
Section 1.3(a) (2) of the Plan is amended to read as follows:
"(2) Exclusions from Compensation - Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1.3(a)(1), the following types of remuneration shall be excluded from the participant's compensation:
(i) Vacation Payout - Payments made due to the capping of paid vacation; and
(ii) Opt-out payments for waiver of coverage under employer group health plan."

SECTION 2: Effective Date
This Amendment to the Plan shall be effective as of July 1, 2015.
SECTION 3: Remaining Plan Provisions
All other provisions of the Plan shall remain in full force and effect.
James L. Broughal, Solicitor
Bethlehem Township
38 West Market Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018
Mar. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
Bids Wanted
Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors, Heidelberg Township, Lehigh County at the Municipal Building at 6272 Route 309, Suite A, New Tripoli PA 18066 until 9:00am on Thursday, April 16, 2015 when they will be opened and read.

Materials: All quantities are +/-
-- 25 tons high performance cold patch
-- Stone -- 100 tons #1 stone, 800 tons #8 stone 1.0% washed, 200 tons #57 stone 2.0% washed, 500 tons 2A aggregate, 500 tons 2RC
-- 400 tons PennDot approved Type-2 anti-skid
-- 100 tons B1 sand
-- 200 tons 9.5mm Superpave asphalt wearing course
-- 200 tons 19.0mm Superpave asphalt wearing course

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of 10% of the proposal, made payable to Heidelberg Township. The materials specified herein shall meet the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation specifications. Escalator clause will apply. The successful bidder, when awarded the contract, shall furnish a certified check or a bond with suitable, reasonable requirements, guaranteeing performance of the contract or delivery to be made with sufficient surety in the amount of 100% of the amount contracted within 20 days after the contract is awarded.

All proposals must be made upon the form furnished by the Township, obtained at the Municipal Building or by calling the Township Administrator at 610-767-9297 ext. 14. The Supervisors reserve the right to reject any item or items and also reserve the right to reject any and all proposals.
Janice M. Meyers, Township Administrator
Mar. 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
BIDS WANTED
Sealed proposals will be received by the Township of Weisenberg, Lehigh County, PA at 2175 Seipstown Rd, Fogelsville, PA 18051 until 9:00 am on Thursday April 9, 2015 for the following:

1,000 Ton #8 Aggregate 1.0% washed
300 Ton #57 Aggregate 2.0% washed
1,000 Ton #2A Aggregate
100 Ton #3A Aggregate
100 Ton #1 Aggregate
100 Ton R-5 Rock
1,000 Ton Anti-Skid AS3
150 Ton Cold Patch UPM or equal State Approved
1,500 Ton 9.5 mm Wearing Course 0.0-0.3 ESAL SRL
500 Ton 19.0 mm Wearing Course 0.0-0.3 ESAL SRL
Hauling per Ton - Triaxle
Hauling per Hour - Triaxle
15,000 Gallons Diesel Fuel with winter additive, auto delivery
3,000 Gallons Fuel Oil, Heating, auto delivery
200 Gallons Gasoline, 89 Oct., lead free, will call for delivery
2,000 Gallons Rubberized Crack Seal, in place
45 Miles double yellow line painting per Pub 408

All quantities more or less.
Liquidated damages apply at a rate of \$250.00 per calendar day.
Proposals must be upon the forms furnished by Weisenberg Township. A performance bond or certified check in the amount of 100% of the contract shall be furnished by the successful bidder within 20 days after the contract is awarded.
Weisenberg Township reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.
Contact Weisenberg Township at 610-285-6660 to obtain bid documents.
Weisenberg Township - 2nd Class
Brian C. Carl, Sec.
Mar. 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Bethlehem Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, will consider for adoption at a Public Meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m. on the 6th day of April, 2015, at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2-96, as set forth in the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 1, Administration and Government; Part 5, Pension and Section B, establishing the Bethlehem Township A.F.S.C.M.E. Employees' Pension Plan.
Copies of the proposed Ordinance are available for review at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building located at 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania during normal business hours.
The following is the proposed Amendment to Ordinance:
ORDINANCE NO. - 15
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON, PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2-96, AS SET FORTH IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 1, ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNMENT; PART 5, PENSION AND SECTION B, ESTABLISHING THE BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP A.F.S.C.M.E. EMPLOYEES' PENSION PLAN AS THOSE PROVISIONS HAVE BEEN AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, Pennsylvania adopted Ordinance 2-96 on March 18, 1996, establishing the Bethlehem Township A.F.S.C.M.E. Employees' Pension Plan; and
WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem have from time to time amended Ordinance 2-96; and
WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9.2 of the Bethlehem Township A.F.S.C.M.E. Employees' Pension Plan (the "Plan"), as amended, the Employer, the Township of Bethlehem, now desires to further amend the Plan as hereinafter set forth.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, Pennsylvania that the Bethlehem Township A.F.S.C.M.E. Employees' Pension Plan, pursuant to Section 9.2 of the Plan, shall be amended and the President of the Board of Commissioners and Township Manager, as agents of the Employer, are authorized and directed to execute the Plan Amendment which shall read as follows:
SECTION 1: Compensation
Section 1.3(a) (2) of the Plan is amended to read as follows:
"(2) Exclusions from Compensation - Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1.3(a)(1), the following types of remuneration shall be excluded from the participant's compensation:
(i) Vacation Payout - Payments made due to the capping of paid vacation; and
(ii) Opt-out payments for waiver of coverage under employer group health plan."

SECTION 2: Plan Participation
Section 2.2(c) of the Plan is amended to read as follows:
"Section 2.2(c) - Notwithstanding the preceding, no employee with an employment commencement date on or after January 1, 2005 shall participate in the Plan. This shall not prevent the payment of benefits to an alternate payee under the terms of a qualified domestic relations order. An employee who is rehired following a termination of employment and who formerly participated under the plan shall not reparticipate."

SECTION 3: Effective Date
These Amendments to the Plan shall be effective as of July 1, 2015.
SECTION 4: Remaining Plan Provisions
All other provisions of the Plan shall remain in full force and effect.
James L. Broughal, Solicitor
Bethlehem Township
38 West Market Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018
Mar. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Bethlehem Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, will consider for adoption at a Public Meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m. on the 6th day of April, 2015, at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 3-88, as set forth in the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 1, Administration and Government; Part 5, Pension and Section A, establishing the Bethlehem Township Police Pension Plan.
Copies of the proposed Ordinance are available for review at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building located at 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania during normal business hours.
The following is the proposed Amendment to Ordinance:
ORDINANCE NO. - 15
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON, PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 3-88, AS SET FORTH IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 1, ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNMENT; PART 5, PENSION AND SECTION A, ESTABLISHING THE BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP POLICE PENSION PLAN AS THOSE PROVISIONS HAVE BEEN AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, Pennsylvania adopted Ordinance 3-88 on April 11, 1988, establishing the Bethlehem Township Police Pension Plan; and
WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem have from time to time amended Ordinance 3-88; and
WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9.2 of the Bethlehem Township Police Pension Plan (the "Plan"), as amended, the Employer, the Township of Bethlehem, now desires to further amend the Plan as hereinafter set forth.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, Pennsylvania that the Bethlehem Township Police Pension Plan, pursuant to Section 9.2 of the Plan, shall be amended and the President of the Board of Commissioners and Township Manager, as agents of the Employer, are authorized and directed to execute the Plan Amendment which shall read as follows:
SECTION 1: Compensation
Section 1.3(a)(2) of the Plan is amended to read as follows:
"(2) Exclusions from Compensation - Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1.3(a)(1), the following types of remuneration shall be excluded from the participant's compensation:
(i) Unused vacation, personal day, and sick pay paid on account of termination of employment;
(ii) Any lump sum payment made upon termination of employment; and
(iii) Opt-out payments for waiver of coverage under employer group health plan."

SECTION 2: Effective Date
This Amendment to the Plan shall be effective as of July 1, 2015.
SECTION 3: Remaining Plan Provisions
All other provisions of the Plan shall remain in full force and effect.
James L. Broughal, Solicitor
Bethlehem Township
38 West Market Street
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Mar. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Bethlehem Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, will consider for adoption at a Public Meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m. on the 6th day of April, 2015, at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 3-98, as set forth in the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 1, Administration and Government; Part 5, Pension and Section D, establishing the Bethlehem Township Teamsters Employees' Pension Plan.
Copies of the proposed Ordinance are available for review at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building located at 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania during normal business hours.
The following is the proposed Amendment to Ordinance:
ORDINANCE NO. - 15
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON, PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 3-98 AS SET FORTH IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 1, ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNMENT; PART 5, PENSION AND SECTION D, ESTABLISHING THE BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP TEAMSTERS EMPLOYEES' PENSION PLAN AS THOSE PROVISIONS HAVE BEEN AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, Pennsylvania adopted Ordinance 3-98 on July 6, 1998, establishing the Bethlehem Township Teamsters Employees' Pension Plan; and
WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem have from time to time amended Ordinance 3-98; and
WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9.2 of the Bethlehem Township Non-Uniform Employees' Pension Plan (the "Plan"), as amended, the Employer, the Township of Bethlehem, now desires to further amend the Plan as hereinafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, Pennsylvania that the Bethlehem Township Teamsters Employees' Pension Plan, pursuant to Section 9.2 of the Plan, shall be amended and the President of the Board of Commissioners and Township Manager, as agents of the Employer, are authorized and directed to execute the Plan Amendment which shall read as follows:
SECTION 1: Compensation
Section 1.3(a)(2) is amended to read as follows:
"(2) Exclusions from Compensation - Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1.3(a)(1), the following types of remuneration shall be excluded from the participant's compensation:
(i) Opt-out payments for waiver of coverage under employer group health plan."

SECTION 2: Effective Date
This Amendment to the Plan shall be effective as of July 1, 2015.
SECTION 3: Remaining Plan Provisions
All other provisions of the Plan shall remain in full force and effect.
James L. Broughal, Solicitor
Bethlehem Township
38 West Market Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018
Mar. 25

SECTION 2: Plan Participation
Section 2.2(c) of the Plan is amended to read as follows:
"Section 2.2(c) - Notwithstanding the preceding, no employee with an employment commencement date on or after January 1, 2005 shall participate in the Plan. This shall not prevent the payment of benefits to an alternate payee under the terms of a qualified domestic relations order. An employee who is rehired following a termination of employment and who formerly participated under the plan shall not reparticipate."

SECTION 3: Effective Date
These Amendments to the Plan shall be effective as of July 1, 2015.
SECTION 4: Remaining Plan Provisions
All other provisions of the Plan shall remain in full force and effect.
James L. Broughal, Solicitor
Bethlehem Township
38 West Market Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018
Mar. 25

SECTION 1: Compensation
Section 1.3(a)(2) of the Plan is amended to read as follows:
"(2) Exclusions from Compensation - Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1.3(a)(1), the following types of remuneration shall be excluded from the participant's compensation:
(i) Unused vacation, personal day, and sick pay paid on account of termination of employment;
(ii) Any lump sum payment made upon termination of employment; and
(iii) Opt-out payments for waiver of coverage under employer group health plan."

SECTION 2: Effective Date
This Amendment to the Plan shall be effective as of July 1, 2015.
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All other provisions of the Plan shall remain in full force and effect.
James L. Broughal, Solicitor
Bethlehem Township
38 West Market Street
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Mar. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
Arts Academy Charter School
Notice of Board Meetings
June 15, 2015

PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING NOTICE
Macungie Borough Zoning Hearing Board will be holding a meeting on Wednesday, April 8, 2015, at 7:30 pm in Council Chambers at Borough Hall, 21 Locust Street, Macungie, PA for the purpose of discussing the process of hiring a Zoning Solicitor.

PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING NOTICE
The Board of Supervisors of Heidelberg Township will hold a special meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2015 at 7:30pm at the Heidelberg Township Municipal Building, 6272 Route 309, New Tripoli PA. The joint road oil bids will be discussed and any other business brought to the attention of the Board.

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE OF JULIANA WOLF, deceased, late of Allentown, County of Lehigh. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: Mike Wolf, Executor

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE
RAMON ROSADO, JR. aka RAMON ROSADO, dec'd. Late of City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration, having 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 payment without delay to: Executor: Diana Rosado-Ortiz

PUBLIC NOTICE Estate of CHERYL A. MORITZ, a/k/a CHERYL MORITZ, deceased, late of Upper Milford, 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: Kerri Micklos a/k/a Kerri A. Micklos, Executor

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE of ELEANOR CLAUSER, deceased, late of Whitehall, 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: BONNIE J. CLAUSER

PUBLIC NOTICE Estate of KATHLEEN OSWALD a/k/a KATHLEEN A. OSWALD, deceased, late of 216 E. Allen Street, 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: Donna Hartenstine

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE of ALMA STOLER PERLIS, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Pamela Araujo and Robert Hayden Abrams

PUBLIC NOTICE Estate of Lorraine D. Grammes, late of Upper Macungie 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 Roark D. Grammes

PUBLIC NOTICE Estate of Eleanor M. Klinger, Deceased. Late of N. Whitehall Twp., Lehigh County, PA. D.O.D. 6/2/14. Letters Testamentary on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to Candace M. Dailey

PUBLIC NOTICE Estate of LYLE F. DIETZ, Deceased, late of East Allen Township, 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: Timothy Ott, Executor

PUBLIC NOTICE Estate of Pedro J. Rodriguez Espinosa a/k/a Pedro Rodriguez & Pedro Rodriguez Espinosa, Deceased. Late of the City of Allentown, Lehigh County, PA. Letters of Administration on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to Virginia A. Sanchez

PUBLIC NOTICE Estate of MARY I. MARAKOVITZ, late of the Borough of Coplay, County of Lehigh, Pennsylvania. Letters Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payment without delay to: ANTHONY A. HAAS

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE of ROBERT F. KOTSCH, late of Emmaus, PA. All persons having claims or demands against the said estate are requested to make known the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, without delay, to the executor or his attorney named below: Ernest F. Kotsch, Jr.

PUBLIC NOTICE Notice is hereby given that the Macungie Borough Council will hold a public hearing and consider and possibly adopt Ordinance 2015-03 at its meeting on April 6, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers at Borough Hall, 21 Locust Street, Macungie, Pennsylvania.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF MACUNGIE TO ENTER INTO A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT FOR POLICE SERVICES WITH THE BOROUGH OF ALBURTIS TO PROVIDE AND RECEIVE MUTUAL POLICE AID AND ASSISTANCE

PUBLIC NOTICE UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP DOCKET #2170 - 7248 Penn Drive. Notice is hereby given that the Upper Macungie Township Planning Commission shall conduct a public hearing on April 15th, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Upper Macungie Township Building at 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031.

Public Notice Kathy A. Rader, Secretary Upper Macungie Township Mar. 25, Apr. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE INVITATION TO BID The Coplay Borough Council, Lehigh County will receive sealed bids for the SALE OF 1996 1 TON DODGE DUMP TRUCK WITH PLOW. Bids shall be delivered or mailed to the Borough of Coplay Municipal Building, 98 South 4th Street, Coplay, PA 18037 until 3:00 P.M., prevailing time on Tuesday, April 7, 2015.

Borough of Coplay Municipal Building 98 South 4th Street Coplay, PA 18037 BID ENCLOSED SALE OF 1996 DODGE DUMP TRUCK Instructions to Bidders and Proposal Forms may be obtained at the Borough Office, 98 South 4th Street, Coplay, PA 18037, Phone 610-262-6088, Fax 610-262-4591 or email sandyg@coplayborough.org.

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