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## Supts. discuss charter funding

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Area school superintendents want the state to fix what organizers called a “broken system of charter school funding” and to increase “oversight and accountability” of charter schools.

Attendees at a recent online conference included Superintendent Jennifer Holman of Northwestern Lehigh School District, Superintendent Joseph Roy of Bethlehem Area School District, Superintendent Christian Temchatin of Kutztown Area School District and Superintendent Mark J. Madson of Parkland School District.

The superintendents joined an internet-hosted conference May 20 to discuss what they called unfair or inequitable charter school funding.

The conference was hosted and moderated by Lawrence A. Feinberg, the director of Keystone Center for Charter Change. Feinberg is a past president of the Delaware County school board and is currently the vice president of the Delaware County Board.

Pennsylvania taxpayers spend \$3 billion annually on cyber and on brick-and-mortar charter schools, according to materials posted to support the conference.

According to the superintendents, more equitable funding could allow schools districts  
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**James G. Petrucci** received a “Patriot” award in recognition of his faithful and generous support of Lehigh Valley Military Affairs Council’s military support and outreach programs. **From left:** Air Force Major General Gerald “Jerry” Still, President of LVMAC; Board of Directors LVMAC U.S. Army Colonel Shawn Welsh, J. G. Petrucci Company Inc.; President and founder Jim Petrucci and author and retired Morning Call journalist David Venditta.

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## For first time since pandemic Servicemembers saluted

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

A high-spirited annual dinner returned to the social calendar May 6 for the first time since the Lehigh Valley Military Affairs Council canceled their premier social event during the pandemic years.

LVMAC hosted about 100 people at the Steel Club in Hellertown to support the U.S. military and to provide a free dinner for all active-duty servicemembers who attended in uniform as guests of the military-oriented service organization.

Coast Guard Rear Admiral David W. Kunkel (retired) was the keynote speaker. He recounted his career as a Coast Guard pilot and flag officer. Kunkel described the Coast Guard as the longest contin-



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uous military service among the six services. It was also the smallest until the Space Force was established.

Considering the number of ships, aircraft and personnel, according to Kunkel, the Coast Guard constitutes the sixth largest navy in the world.

The Parkland HS graduate (1967) enlisted in the Coast Guard after graduating from Kutztown University and was commissioned, then sent to flight school where he became a helicopter pilot.

Kunkel entertained the room with some of the incongruities of life in the service. He got a ripple of laughter as he told of the time he asked for service on the East Coast, and the Coast Guard sent him and his wife to Kodiak, Alaska.

Later, he again asked  
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**PEOPLE SAY**  
BY DANA GRUBB

What do you think is the biggest challenge with the current rate of inflation?



“Adjusting to it. I’ve stopped driving my car since the price of has continued upward. I’m trying to be smart and budget.”  
**Andre Anderson Jr.**



“I think it’s the price of groceries.”  
**Jen Melnyk**  
Ardmore

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## Authorities warn of an increase in sextortion

Federal Bureau of Investigation Philadelphia is warning parents and caregivers about an increase in incidents involving the sextortion of children.

Sextortion begins when an adult contacts a minor over any online platform used to meet and communicate, such as a game, app or social media account.

In a scheme that has recently become more prevalent, the predator (posing as a young girl) uses deception and manipulation to convince a young male, usually 14 to 17 years old, to engage in explicit activity over video, which is secretly recorded by the predator.

The predator then reveals they made

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the recordings and attempts to extort the victim, demanding money or additional explicit images, or else they will post the recordings online.

The same criminal approach is used to target minor girls.

In some cases, the perpetrators will use deceit in soliciting high school boys to share photos of female classmates and increasing the victimization of these offenses, according to a news release from

FBI Philadelphia.

The coercion of a child by an adult to produce what is considered child sexual abuse material carries heavy criminal penalties, which can include up to a life sentence for the offender.

The embarrassment children feel as a result of the activity they were forced to engage in is what typically prevents them from coming forward and speaking to an adult.

Sextortion offenders may have hundreds of victims around the world, so coming forward to help law enforcement identify the offender may prevent further sexual ex-  
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**PEOPLE SAY**

BY DANA GRUBB

What do you think is the biggest challenge with the current rate of inflation?



"Gas prices. Everyone's driving and wages haven't gone up."  
**Joe Hussey**  
Worcester



"I think of people living paycheck to paycheck. How do you balance it?"  
**Paula Estornell**  
Ardmore



"I think it's for families and their day to day living. Inflation has increased day to day living costs and it's hitting them hard."  
**Corinne Harris**  
Bethlehem



"To me, the overall effect on the economy is devastating. It's difficult to see when we're going to come out of this."  
**Barry Conklin**  
Bethlehem

**REPORTERS NEEDED**

**WANTED:** Freelance reporters to cover municipal meetings and other community events in the Bethlehem-Salisbury Twp. area. Assignments available weekdays, evenings and weekends depending on reporter's schedule. Journalism background (course work or experience) or other writing experience a plus. Digital camera and photo skills also a plus. Must live in immediate Bethlehem-Salisbury Twp. area. Send letter of interest and resume to George Taylor at [gtaylor@tnonline.com](mailto:gtaylor@tnonline.com).

**Open meetings:**  
Bethlehem Township Commissioners- First and third Mondays  
Hanover (NorCo) Township Supervisors-Second and fourth Tuesdays  
Fountain Hill Council-First Monday and Third Wednesday  
Freemansburg-First and third Tuesdays  
Also available:  
Bethlehem Zoning Board-Fourth Wednesday  
Bethlehem Planning Board-Second Thursday

**Help us honor a special grad**

The Bethlehem Press will be publishing a special graduation supplement on June 29 and we are looking for special graduation situations to spotlight. Do you know of a high school student graduating soon who has overcome extraordinary obstacles? We would like to feature such students in our supplement if they are willing to be interviewed. What we would need is the name and contact information for the student AND it would be very helpful if you (or whoever nominates the student) would make sure the student is open to this idea. Contact editor George Taylor at [gtaylor@tnonline.com](mailto:gtaylor@tnonline.com) or 610-625-2121 ext. 3112



**DeSales University** was well represented at the gala event. From left: Steve Badman and his wife, Wendy Badman. She is the Office of Veterans & Military Affairs Coordinator, Veterans Administration School Certifying Official at DeSales University. The Badman's own Badman Construction. DeSales University student leader Pennsylvania National Guard Second Lieutenant Kiera McMinn and Lina Barbieri, DeSales' Associate Vice President for Annual Giving.

**FIRST**

Continued from page A1 for duty on the East Coast, then ending up in Puerto Rico. More

laughter. Retired Air Force Major General and President of LVMAC Gerald "Jerry" Still and his staff organized

the dinner followed by dancing. Louis Dieruff HS Junior ROTC students provided a color guard for the event.



**Dieruff HS Junior ROTC** students provided a color guard for the event, as they presented and retired the colors. Lisa Scheller, in white, is saluting the colors. She is the president and chair of Silberline Manufacturing Co. Inc. Silberline Manufacturing is an associate member of the LVMAC.



**U.S. Army Capt. Andrew Scott**, a mechanical engineer with the Naval Surface Warfare Center in the Philadelphia Navy Yard, with his wife Florence Brown, director of engagement for Klunk & Millan Advertising, Natasha Peljak, and LVMAC Board of Directors member Major Richard Hudzinski.

**"We want to educate the community about this insidious crime, to prevent more kids from falling victim to sextortion."**

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ploitation of that victim and others.

"Using the anonymity of the internet, these criminals are creating age-appropriate personas to lure young people in and, unfortunately, they've gotten very good at it," said Philadelphia's Special Agent in Charge Jacqueline Maguire in the release.

"We want to educate the community about this insidious crime, to prevent more kids from falling victim to sextortion. We ask adults to talk to the kids in your life about this - and we ask anyone who may have been victimized to let us know. The FBI and our partners are doing everything we can to bring these predators to justice."

**Some tips to stay safe**

1. Be selective about what you share online, especially your personal information and passwords. If your social media accounts are open to everyone, a predator may be able to learn a lot of useful information about you.
2. Be wary of anyone you encounter for the first time online. Block or ignore messages from strangers.
3. Remember people can pretend to be anything or anyone online. Videos and photos are not proof a person is who they claim to be.
4. Be suspicious if you meet someone on a game or app and they ask you to start talking to them on a different platform.
5. Report suspicious behavior to a trusted adult.

**If you believe you or someone you know is the victim of sextortion:**

1. Contact your local FBI field office, the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center at [ic3.gov](http://ic3.gov) or the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (1-800-THE-LOST or CyberTipline.org).
  2. Don't delete anything before law enforcement is able to review it.
  3. Tell law enforcement everything about the encounters you had online; it may be embarrassing, but the details can be a big help as investigators work to find the offender.
- More information on sextortion and resources for parents and caregivers can be found at [fbi.gov/sextortion](http://fbi.gov/sextortion).

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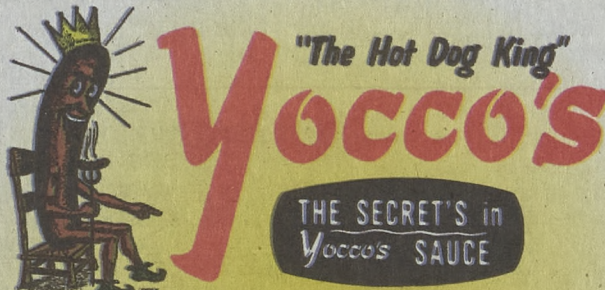
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**CORONER'S REPORT:** Between Jan. 1 and May 16 the Northampton County Coroner recorded 134 COVID-19 related deaths in Northampton County (117 residents/17 non-residents).

"Case numbers in our area are rising again as new variants emerge," says County Executive Lamont McClure. "I encourage anyone who is eligible to get vaccinated and boosted against the virus."

**AROUND TOWN**

**News briefs**

**LATIN FESTIVAL OPENS JUNE 24:** ArtsQuest, in partnership with B. Braun Medical Inc., and media partner La Mega Radio, presents the return of ¡Sabor! Latin Festival, to the SteelStacks campus June 24 through 26. The free-admission family friendly celebration of Latin heritage and Hispanic culture will be hosted over the course of three days featuring music, food and fun throughout the campus.

"¡Sabor! Festival weekend at ArtsQuest is a great place for getting on your feet to let the music move you to a Latin beat while enjoying authentic Hispanic food and culture," Latin Programming Committee Chair Myrna Rivera said.

"The ¡Sabor! Festival offers the Lehigh Valley community the opportunity to showcase their beautiful culture via music, food and artistic expression," Latin Programming Committee member Iris M Cintron said. "It serves as a validation of the cultural contributions that Latinos have made to the Lehigh Valley. It also demonstrates ArtsQuest's commitment to our cultural heritage."

**Wednesday, May 25**

**Cops 'n Kids Reading Room.** 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Age three and up. Masks are mandatory. For information, visit [www.copsnkidslv.org](http://www.copsnkidslv.org)

**Karaoke with D.J. Bobby James.** Free. 1 to 2:30 p.m. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Information: call 610-437-3700 or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

**Thursday, May 26**

**Tunes at Twilight,** 6 to 8 p.m. or otherwise noted: Edge - Island Time; Lost Tavern Brewing - Kendel Conrad, 6 - 9 p.m.; McCarthy's Red Stag Pub: Fig For A Kiss. Visit [TunesatTwilight.com](http://TunesatTwilight.com) or [www.facebook.com/GetDowntownBethlehem](http://www.facebook.com/GetDowntownBethlehem)

**Friday, May 27**

**Elm Street Jazz:** Jazz band workshop led by Allan Meyerson. 9 to 11 a.m. Join if you play an instrument and want to explore Jazz. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W. Elm St. Allentown. Information: call 610-437-3700 or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

**Tunes at Twilight,** 6 to 8 p.m. or otherwise noted: Hotel Bethlehem: Mark Prestifilippo; Lost Tavern Brewing - Rich Jeffries, 6 to 9 p.m. Hotel Bethlehem -Visit [TunesatTwilight.com](http://TunesatTwilight.com) or [www.facebook.com/GetDowntownBethlehem](http://www.facebook.com/GetDowntownBethlehem)

**Saturday, May 28**

**Tunes at Twilight:** Hotel Bethlehem: Joes and Jane, 6 to 8 p.m. Lost Tavern Brewing - Tim Harakal, 6 to 9 p.m. Visit [TunesatTwilight.com](http://TunesatTwilight.com) or [www.facebook.com/GetDowntownBethlehem](http://www.facebook.com/GetDowntownBethlehem)

**Live in the garden concert.** 6 to 8 p.m. Bethlehem Rose Garden Bandshell, Eighth Avenue and Broad Street. Saturdays through June 25 (Hours: 5 to 8:30 p.m. on the last Saturday).

**Saturday night dance.** The Chas Band. Cover cost includes light refreshments. 7 to 10 p.m. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Call 610-437-3700 for information or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

**Sunday, May 29**

**Saucon Valley Farmers' Market,** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 20. Hellertown Library area, 409 Constitution Ave., Hellertown. Food, fun, live music, fresh produce, local goods, artisans. Visit <https://sauconvalleyfarmersmarket.com/>

**Tuesday, May 31**

**Premier Night.** Entry fee. Boutique at the Rink. 4 to 9 p.m. Earl E. Schaffer Municipal Ice Rink, 345 Illick's Mill Road. Visit [www.boutiqueattherink.com/events-2/](http://www.boutiqueattherink.com/events-2/)

**Wednesday, June 1**

**Full price day. Boutique at the Rink.** 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Earl E. Schaffer Municipal Ice Rink, 345 Illick's Mill Road. Visit [www.boutiqueattherink.com/events-2/](http://www.boutiqueattherink.com/events-2/)

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**MEMORIAL DAY EVENTS**

*Memorial Day is the day on which we honor and mourn those who died while serving in the armed forces of the United States and rededicate ourselves to serving our community and nation to ensure their lives were not wasted. (Courtesy of the Lehigh Valley Military Council and the United Veterans of Bethlehem)*

**Saturday, May 28 to Monday, July 4**

**SteelStacks will be draped with images of local military heroes as a display of the appreciation and gratitude for their sacrifices and contributions.** The banners will display photos of the soldiers, their rank, branch of service, era of service and hometown. "Our Hometown Heroes" at SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way.

**Sunday, May 29**

**Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs Car Show,** sponsored by Advance Auto Parts. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Registration for cars ends at 12:30 p.m. Part of the proceeds for every car registered will benefit Operation Address the Homeless and America On Wheels. Trophies will be awarded to the top 25 cars. Open class registration. Winners will be recognized on the video board before the game. Coca-Cola Park, 1050 Ironpigs Way, Allentown.

**Monday, May 30**

**TAPS Over Bethlehem,** 8 a.m. beginning at Nisky Hill Cemetery. Trumpeters will sound their instruments for more than three miles.

**Bethlehem Memorial Day Parade.** The Lehigh Valley Military Council and the United Veterans of Bethlehem. Starts at 9 a.m. at Liberty HS parking lot. Proceeds up Linden Street to Bethlehem Memorial Park. Lowering of Old Glory to half mast until noon. Program: in case of rain, the event will be held in the Liberty HS auditorium.

**Salute the Troops with the Allentown Band.** 3 p.m. Rose Garden Bandshell. Eighth Avenue and Broad Street. Sponsored

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"I think we're seeing COVID exceptionalism. We're just being pushed along here without clearly defining what is the goal of this vaccine."

Dr. Paul Offit

**'COVID exceptionalism'**  
**Vaccine advisor finds latest**  
**EUA expansion 'upsetting'**

BY THERESA O'BRIEN  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

On May 17, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) extended the Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 shots for children ages 5 through 11 to include a third dose. In a move that would have been unusual prior to 2020, but has become increasingly common, members of the Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC) heard the news at the same time as the general public.

FDA typically convenes VRBPAC when considering a pharmaceutical company's biological license application (BLA) or request for EUA.

However, at several critical points over the past 18 months, FDA has rendered its decision without advice from the panel of experts appointed to VRBPAC. Notably, these decisions have involved extending the Pfizer EUA to include children ages 12 through 15 (May 10, 2021), to include boosters for everyone age 18 and older (Nov. 19, 2021), and for everyone age 12 and older (Jan. 3, 2022).

Longtime VRBPAC member Dr. Paul Offit, who is also the director of the Vaccine Education Center at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) and is the co-inventor of the Rotateg vaccine, tells the Press that these "unilateral decisions" by FDA are problematic, citing both the

lack of transparency and the lack of clear program goals.

Critical of FDA's acting on its own, Dr. Offit says, "Frankly it's upsetting to me that these proclamations are made by the FDA without consulting the [VRBPAC] committee." He points out that no evidence supporting greater efficacy in preventing death in 5-through 11-year-olds with three doses as compared with two has been discussed in a public forum.

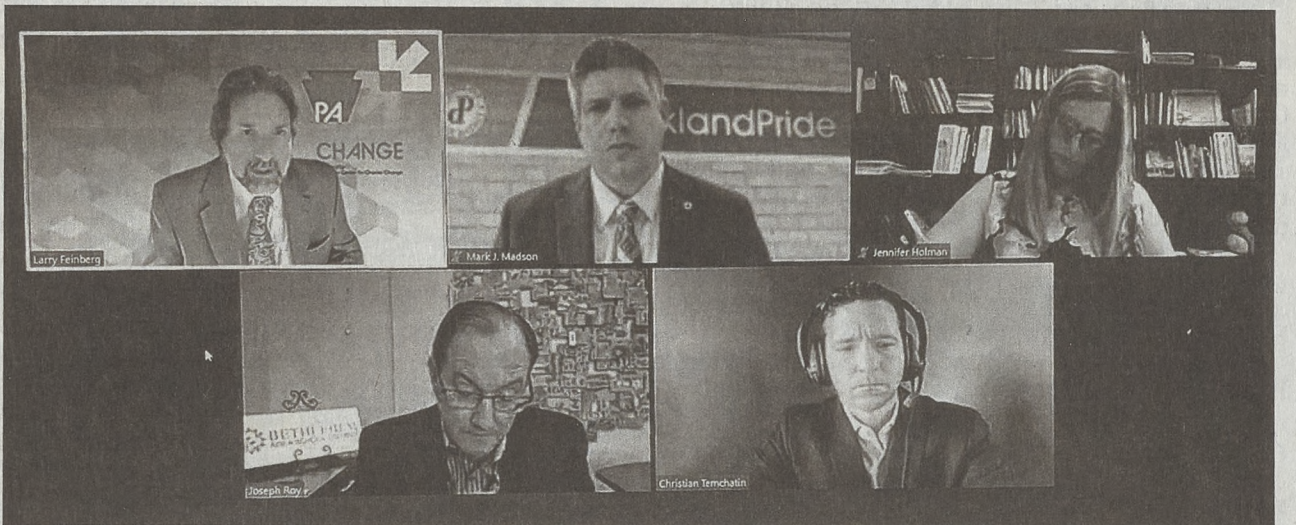
"I think we're seeing COVID exceptionalism," he says, also voicing his view that "we're just being pushed along here without clearly defining what is the goal of this vaccine."

However, he doesn't believe the unusual sit-

uation of VRBPAC-less FDA approvals and EUAs will become business as usual. He even suggests, "You could argue that as we move from pandemic to endemic, then nothing should be an EUA at that point."

Offering his view on when COVID will no longer be regarded as a "pandemic," he says, "A pandemic, by definition, changes the way you live, work, or play; an endemic disease doesn't." Noting that there were more than 60,000 deaths attributed to influenza in the winter of 2017-2018, he points out, "We chose to accept it."

"SARS-CoV-2 will be with us forever," Dr. Offit says. "The question becomes, 'How do we decide to live with it?'"



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**Attendees at the online conference** included Superintendent Jennifer Holman of Northwestern Lehigh School District (NWLS), Superintendent Joseph Roy of Bethlehem Area School District, Superintendent Christian Temchatin of Kutztown Area School District and Superintendent Mark J. Madson of Parkland School District.

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better address pressing issues in their districts.

**Parkland School District Superintendent Mark Madson** gave a brief statistical picture of his school district, which he said has roughly 9,700 students.

"We have 398 students enrolled in charter schools and also cyber. We have 179 in cyber charter and 219

in brick-and-mortar charter schools. Almost 200 students are in our Parkland virtual academy."

He said that in the 21-22 school year the district had \$6.8 million in cyber and charter school costs. "During that period of time we lost between \$3.8 million to \$6.7 million.

"[With a] \$260 million budget, for us, it's a significant amount of funding that we are put-

ting out to these charter schools. It's a huge impact to us, especially, you know, for our taxpayers. So, certainly probably everyone will talk about [as] the number one concern is the calculation [or] the funding formula that the state is currently using. We believe it's flawed."

Madson also made a point of saying that oversight and accountability are lacking.

"We're not able to really have that kind of collaborative relationship with these [charter] schools where all these students are going. So, for us in Parkland, it is not about looking at trying to provide choice but it's really [about] how we provide better accountability and oversight that our taxpayers

would expect. It is also to make sure that we're able to work with schools so that we can benefit our students whether they decide to come back or not because they're still Parkland students, Parkland residents, so we want to make sure that we're able to support them any way that we can."

Addressing the charter school tuition payments, Jennifer Holman, superintendent of NWLS, said the issue, "not only impacts school district budgets but it also impacts every single taxpayer."

"[The] current funding mechanism, we believe, is broken. It forces school districts to overpay especially for cyber charter and special education students,"

Holman said, "I think See **SUPTS.** on Page A4

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## Charles Michalerya

St. Anne's Catholic Church member



Charles Michalerya, 90, of Bethlehem, died May 9, 2022, at his home. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Charles and Mary (Voltral) Michalerya. He was the husband of the late Eleanor R. (Scroce) Michalerya for 49 years.

He was a 1950 graduate of Liberty HS.

He retired in 1982 after 31 years of service at Hellertown Manufacturing, where he worked in the receiving department. He was then a clerk for Pennsylvania state liquor stores.

He was a member of St. Anne's Catholic Church.

He was a life member of the Heights A.A., Jefferson Democratic Club and N.E. Wanderers A.A.

He is survived by four nephews, William, Steve, Vance and Eddie; three nieces, Mary, Monica and Cindy; great-nieces and great-nephews, including Matt and Robert; and extended family and friends.

He was predeceased by six brothers, Nicholas, Michael, Earl, Pete, Ed and Steve; and a sister.

Contributions may be made to the Center for Animal Health and Welfare, American Cancer Society, Meals on Wheels and/or St. Luke's Hospice.

Arrangements were made by Connell Funeral Home Inc., Bethlehem, PA 18018.

## Ina C. Voortman

First U.C.C. Church member



Ina C. Voortman, of Bethlehem, died May 9, 2022, three days before her 90th birthday. Born in Fountain Hill, she was a daughter of the late Jenson and Hilma (Kichline) Ehret.

She was a nurse's aide for many years before she retired.

She was a member of First U.C.C. Church, Hellertown.

She was an avid reader and loved traveling. She attended many local high school theater performances.

She is survived by a son, James E. (Carol) of Bethlehem; three grandchildren, Stacy Chase (Judd), Kevin Voortman (Katy) and Kimberly Zettel (David); and two great-grandchildren, Gwendolynn and Declan.

Contributions may be sent to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

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

## Carol Pulley

Liberty HS graduate



Carol Pulley, 79, of Bethlehem, died May 10, 2022. Born in Wilkes-Barre, she was a daughter of the late Stanley and Elizabeth (Peleski) Geskey. She was the wife of the late Donald J. Pulley Sr. for 56 years.

She was a Liberty HS graduate.

She is survived by three sons, Donald J. Jr. and his wife Karen of South Carolina, Kenneth of Bethlehem and Troy and his wife Dawn of Georgia; five grandchildren, Ryan, Colin and wife Emmaleigh; Brittany Grant and husband John; Justin and wife Erin; Tyler; and Amanda Lawrence and husband Conner; and three great-grandchildren, Greyson, Harrison and Rowan.

Contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 30386, Philadelphia, PA 19103 and/or St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

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

## Leon A. Murphy

steel computer technology pioneer



Leon "Lee" A. Murphy, 94, of Bethlehem, died on May 17, 2022, at St. Luke's Hospice House, Lower Saucon Township.

Born in Winthrop, Massachusetts, he was a son of the late John and Grace Murphy. He was the husband of the late Bertha Murphy for 70 years.

He played football at Winthrop High School where he earned the nickname "Crusher". He earned a degree in civil engineering from the University of Massachusetts - Amherst and a master's degree in industrial management from Boston University. He was enrolled in classes at IBM.

He attended the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut. He was on active duty during both World War II and the Korean War. He was then a captain with the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve, for three decades, in part with training programs for new reservists.

He was a civil engineer for Bethlehem Steel's reinforcing bar fabrication shop, Boston. He retired in 1982 after 37 years as manager of production development for the corporate headquarters, Bethlehem Steel Corporation, Bethlehem. He worked in the computer development division, and applied new technologies across many of its operations. He developed interactive training videos that allowed steelworkers to individually learn skills.

He founded Quantum Improvement International Inc., and developed computer and training systems in partnership with the Ben Franklin program, Lehigh University.

He attended East Hills Moravian Church. He was treasurer of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Bethlehem.

He was a committee chairman with Boy Scout Troop 62; a member of the Masonic Lodge 283, and a district chairman with the Republican Party.

He is survived by four children, John and his wife Susanna of Rio Rancho, New Mexico; Linda and her husband Phil Cantelmi of Denver, North Carolina; Dean and Grace Miller of Maplewood, New Jersey and Leon of Bonney Lake, Washington; six grandchildren, Orion, Christian, Justin and Devin Murphy and Alex and Christina Cantelmi; and one great-grandchild, Lacey Murphy.

Contributions may be made to the Coast Guard Foundation, 394 Taugwonk Road, Stonington, CT 06378.

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## GOOD VIBES AT THE FIESTA LATINA



PRESS PHOTO BY DENNIS GLEW

**Mambo Caliente's** vocalists include (left to right) Carlos Tirado, José Ortiz and Tony Colon. They are joined by percussionist Yasmin Richardson, shown here playing the guira. The band is led by pianist Jaime "Jimmy" De Jesus. On bass is Urbano "Prieto" Torres. Keith Wagner leads the band's six-member brass section. Our coverage of the event appears on pages A14 and A15.

# Valley driver cancels ride after passenger's remarks

Police investigate complaint after comments caught on dashcam

BY KELLY LUTTERSCHMIDT  
klutterschmidt@tntonline.com

Catasauqua Police Department is investigating a complaint filed by a ride-share driver who captured an incident on his dashboard camera May 13 involving the owner of a borough bar and her boyfriend.

Police Chief Douglas Kish confirmed a report of the incident, which took place in the parking lot of Fossil's Last Stand, 429 Race St.

A video posted on social media showing the ride-share driver refusing to transport a woman after she made what he considered to be inappropriate remarks continues to go viral, collecting comments of praise for the driver's handling of the situation and condemnation

for the woman who was to be his passenger, and a man standing close by.

The video, taken from his dashcam, captured the event from the time he confirmed the woman's name, Jackie, as his scheduled passenger until the time she exited the vehicle after the ride was canceled.

Kish confirmed the woman on the video is Jackie Harford, the owner of the bar.

The video recording captured the following dialogue:

"You're like a white guy," the woman said as she got in the back seat.

"What's that?" the driver asked. "You're like a white guy," the woman repeated.

"Excuse me," the driver said.

"You're like a normal guy. Like you speak English," the woman said.

The driver then told her he was canceling the ride because her comments were inappropriate. He told her to get out of his vehicle, and the woman questioned him, asking if he was serious.

When she exited the vehicle, a male with her could be heard, calling the driver "an f-ing n-lover" and saying, "I should punch you in the f-ing face."

Kish said the male is Harford's boyfriend, but the department did not yet have his name.

The driver told the two people the entire incident had been captured on his dashcam and that he planned to call the police.

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every school district across Lehigh Valley would just ask you to know the facts when you're checking for your children's schooling. Check student performance before you make the selection for your child.

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"You'll have access to services that are offered by us, including counseling, vocational technical programming, library services and athletics. Just think about what it is that you want for your child."

"We are expected to spend \$2.1 million of our \$50 million budget on 120 students attending charter schools. We are a district that has successfully returned many of our students post pandemic and we're still projected to spend \$2.1 million educating 120 [charter school] students."

Holman continued a financial analysis of the effect of charter school students, but she summed up her point.

"I think every school district across the Lehigh Valley would just ask you to know the facts when you're checking for your children's schooling. Check student performance before you make the selection for your child.

We simply perform better on every measure than the average cyber charter school or charter school academically, rigorous courses, graduation rate and industry standards."

According to Keystone Center for Charter Change, which hosted the online forum, "Pennsylvania school districts are now estimated to spend more than \$3 billion in taxpayer money on mandatory payments to brick-and-mortar and cyber charter schools.

The costs of charter schools for school districts continue to grow significantly each year, with charter tuition paid by school districts up 253 percent over the last 12 years, while charter enrollment only increased 118 percent. This was exacerbated during the pandemic, with over 22,000 students shifting to cyber charter schools at an additional statewide cost of over \$335 million.

According to the organization, "On a statewide basis, charter school tuition payments are the most identified source of pressure on school district budgets. Now more than ever, there is a growing momentum from school officials across the state to call for charter school funding reform."

When asked if the superintendents attending the conference think the charter school lobby is using misinformation or lies to support the current funding formula, Dr. Joseph Roy, Superintendent of BASD responded.

"I wouldn't say 'lies,'

but one of the things that I hear all the time [that is one of] their talking points is that all they have to get by on 25 percent less funding than school districts do per student.

"That's completely misleading because when we send that check out the door for \$15,000 or \$16,000 [per charter school] student our costs don't go down. Then you will hear the argument, 'Well it's just that the money follows the child.'"

"Well," said Roy, "the money follows a child with a big extra bag of cash behind them and so our costs don't go down by the amount of the tuition [payment to the charter school]. So, anytime you hear the charter lobby talk about, 'We get by on less money' or, 'the money just follows the student [so] it doesn't hurt the districts,' that's misleading."

Roy said another misleading argument put out by charter school advocates is that when ever public schools try to get the funding formula adjusted, it is because the public-school sector is trying to get rid of charter schools.

"That ship sailed a long time ago," said Roy. He said no one is trying to get rid of charter schools and that they are here to stay.

"The motivation for the changes to the funding that we're pushing for [is that] we're stewards of taxpayer dollars, and we would like to see those taxpayer dollars used effectively and have some accountabil-

ity.

"I wouldn't say it's a lie," said Roy. "But when I have conversations with individual families who have transferred to a cyber charter or [brick and mortar] charter and they tell me that, 'My daughter is doing well,' I ask them to meet and review the data.

"So, it's not a lie [from charter schools] about achievement necessarily. We know the achievement scores historically at the end [of a grading period] and I want to ensure that they [parents] are getting good information about the achievement of their child.

"We sit down and have those meetings. Through developed [assessment] processes from Kthrough 12 [we can] make sure that parents know exactly how their students are performing throughout the entire school year. And that's the one conversation we always have because I'll always rest on the fact that we can do a better job of preparing students to achieve. That's only one measure of a whole child, but it's a pretty important one."

Roy also made the point that, "Tax increases are directly related to charter school payments."

He also said public schools are currently paying for two separate systems when it comes to current special education. "Special ed funding doesn't make sense."



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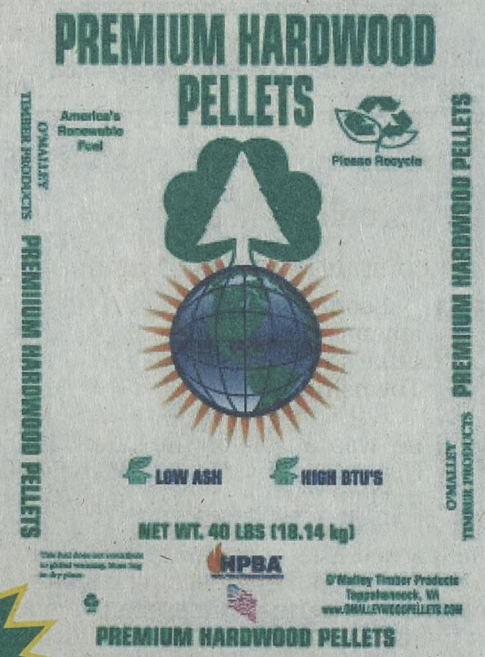
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# Troublesome budget deadline nears

BY CHRIS HARING

Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Saucon Valley School Board wasted little time at its May 10 meeting getting down to business in addressing one of its most challenging issues in months: working out the proposed 2022-23 final budget.

With the May 31 district deadline to adopt the budget rapidly approaching, Business Manager David Bonenberger has been warning of tough choices facing the board at its last few meetings, but this was the first time the issue was discussed at length.

Several board members recently ran for re-election boasting of their record of keeping Saucon Valley district millage rates the lowest in Northampton County for several years. According to county records of January 2022, property owners in Hellertown and Lower Sau-

## SAUCON VALLEY SD



PRESS PHOTOS BY CHRIS HARING

In order to satisfy its unbalanced 2022-23 proposed final budget, the Saucon Valley School Board will likely be forced to approve a mixture of cuts and a tax increase - the district's first since 2018.

con Township enjoy a rate of 53.43 mills, which is two mills lower than NorCo's next cheapest district, Northampton.

Superintendent Jaime Vlasaty took the reins in presenting rel-

creased and our revenue has decreased" in the district recently, adding, "the recommendation is that we tax to the [PA Act 1] index and use the Fund Balance to cover the [remaining balance]."

Several board members made their reluctance to raise taxes clear from the beginning of the hour-long discussion. After asking a few clarifying questions, Shawn Welch said, "I have a problem with tax increases in general." He proceeded to provide a (speculative) breakdown of the potential annual tax increases for residents in each of the district's sending municipalities.

However, he then proceeded to bemoan "what's going on financially out in the world," sharing figures he prepared comparing current prices of items such as heating fuel, gasoline and other items to those in November 2020. Welch did not share his sources, although he further posed that a tax increase would "break faith with the community."

Board Vice President Susan Baxter echoed Welch in so many words, saying that while she acknowledged that the proposal showed approximately \$415,000 in "adjustments" from prior drafts shared by

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evant figures - including a few adjustments - via a slideshow based upon images initially prepared and shared by Bonenberger at prior meetings.

The administration's proposal would raise the district's millage rate by 1.8166 - the maximum annual increase allowed by PA Act 1 - and bring the new rate to 55.2466 mills, which would still be the lowest in the county. The increase would raise approximately \$1.1 million in additional revenue but still fall well short of covering the remaining \$2.7 million shortfall.

Vlasaty said, "our expenditures have in-

by the Morning Star Rotary Club.

A Time to Remember Memorial Day event, 3 p.m. Part of the display of "Our Hometown Heroes" at SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way. Information: visit [www.steelstacks.org/memorial-day/](http://www.steelstacks.org/memorial-day/)

### Saturday, May 28

100th anniversary of the Historic Hotel Bethlehem. Ribbon cutting at 4:30 p.m., evening festivities from 5 to 10 p.m. Four different music venues, food, drinks. Hotel history panel discussions including hotel ghosts, George Gray murals and hotel history rooms. Call 877-916-1699. Tickets: 437 Main St. Visit [www.hotelbethlehem.com/100th-anniversary-celebration/](http://www.hotelbethlehem.com/100th-anniversary-celebration/)

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## MEETING BOARD

### Wednesday, May 25

NorCo Industrial Development Authority, 4 p.m. Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

Bethlehem Parking Authority, 4 p.m. 85 W. North St.

Bethlehem City Zoning Hearing Board, 6 p.m. City Hall, 10 E. Church St. Applications may be viewed at [www.bethlehem-pa.gov/calendar-planning-zoning/](http://www.bethlehem-pa.gov/calendar-planning-zoning/) or in City Hall.

Questions and comments (include name and phone number) may be submitted by 4 p.m. May 23 to [planninginfo@bethlehem-pa.gov](mailto:planninginfo@bethlehem-pa.gov). Current and recent meetings (for viewing only): visit [www.youtube.com/channel/UC4HYHr4C6vVbfhRXhWYXajw](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4HYHr4C6vVbfhRXhWYXajw)

Bethlehem Twp. Commissioners, 7 p.m. Municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.

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

### Thursday, May 26

Bethlehem Redevelopment Authority, 5 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St.

Hanover Twp. (NorCo) Zoning Board, 7 p.m. 3630 Jacksonville Road.

### Friday, May 27

Northampton Co. Spotted Lanternfly Committee, 1 p.m. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.

Some government and other buildings may be closed for the Memorial Day Weekend holiday.

### Monday, May 30

Memorial Day - Most government and other buildings closed.

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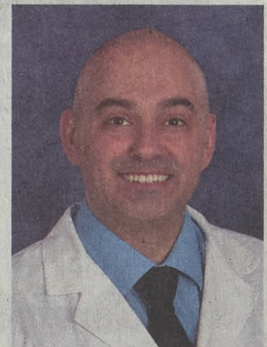
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Wednesday, June 1

Hanover Twp. (LeCo) Council, 7:30 p.m. 2202 Grove Road, Allentown.

Historical Architectural Review Board, 5 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St. Members of the public may attend in person; masks required. Questions and comments, including name and phone number, may be submitted 24 hours in advance of meeting to planninginfo@bethlehem-pa.gov. Meeting livestreamed for viewing purposes only on: www.youtube.com/channel/UC4HYHr4C-6mVbfhRXhWYXaJw

Fountain Hill Finance, P.W., Personnel, House committees, 5:30 p.m. 941 Long St.

Hanover (LeCo) Council, 7:30 p.m. 2202 Grove Road.

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HEALTH NEWS

Lehigh Valley Health Network

LVHN recognized for LGBTQ health equity

Lehigh Valley Health Network hospitals are receiving national recognition for demonstrating a commitment to advancing health equity in the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or questioning community.

The Human Rights Campaign designated Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest as leaders in its LGBTQ+ Healthcare Equality Index.

HEI is a national benchmarking tool that evaluates health care facilities' commitment to inclusion and equity of their LGBTQ patients, visitors and employees.

St. Luke's Health Network

St. Luke's joins network of children's hospitals

St. Luke's University Health Network announces it is now a member of the Children's Hospital Association. The network will collaborate through the association to advance innovation in

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Bonenberger, she'd "like to see [the district] tighten our belts a little bit more before we go out and ask the public and taxpayers [for] a 3.4 percent increase."

Baxter referred to expenditures on items such as a Jumbotron used for the high school's outdoor graduation ceremony.

She also noted that while Saucon Valley's millage rate is the lowest in the county, their dollar-per-pupil expenditure rate is among the highest, adding, "I realize we're a small school district, but why are we the highest?"

Baxter also suggested reaching out to resident families who've chosen to send their children to charter schools to see if the district could

entice them - and their tax dollars - back into Saucon Valley. Bonenberger said that Saucon has over 150 such resident children, and board member Cedric Dettmar noted, "each one is tens of thousands of dollars."

Nearly every board member acknowledged that finding areas of "discretionary spending" would be difficult, and Welch (and others) also pointed to several

unavoidable upcoming facilities and maintenance expenditures, including a new roof needed on campus. Nonetheless, they urged the administration to "scour every corner," as Dettmar said, for potential savings.

Ultimately, the board unanimously struck the proposal from the agenda and plan had to vote on a revised version at the May 24 meeting.

Wolf awards funds to revitalize communities

PA Gov. Tom Wolf announced April 22 the approval of \$32.85 million to support 13 community, economic development and revitalization projects throughout Pennsylvania.

The award approvals in Lehigh County include the following project:

• St. Luke's Hospital - Sacred Heart Sigal Center Parking Garage Accessibility, \$1 million.

The construction project will connect the Sigal Center with the St. Luke's parking garage next to it. Parking garage improvements

include a new vehicular access ramp from the parking lot at the Sigal Center and a new pedestrian bridge from the second floor of the parking garage into the Sigal Center. The project includes utility

relocation/coordination, a new pedestrian bridge, the relocation of the parking garage entrance/ramp and new lighting.

"Every one of these projects funded will make a real, meaningful

difference in our communities and the lives of those who live there," Wolf said. "It's an honor to support Pennsylvania's future success through these investments."

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St. Luke's pediatric inpatient unit is being renovated and relocated adjacent to the PICU at St. Luke's University Hospital, Bethlehem. St. Luke's has made a significant capital investment in new infrastructure over the past few years to support the Network's ongoing pediatric growth.

**Network ranks high in charitable giving**

St. Luke's was ranked #16 for Charitable Giving nationally on the Lowne's top 25 list of health care systems. The nonprofit private health care system spends more on charity and community investment than it receives in tax breaks.

This "fair share" surplus was calculated from data based on 2019 (or 2018) IRS Form 990.

Charity care and community investment includes community health improvement activities, contributions to community groups, community building activities and subsidized health-care services. Only private nonprofit hospitals were included in the analysis.

**Hepatologist Patel joins SLUHN (WITH PHOTO)**

Vishal Patel, M.D., recently joined St. Luke's University Health Network. Board-certified in gastroenterology/hepatology, he has been practicing transplant hepatology at renowned transplant centers in and around Philadelphia since 2008.

His speciality is acute, chronic and advanced liver disease, including viral hepatitis and autoimmune diseases of the liver, drug induced liver disease, alcohol related liver disease, non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD), metabolic liver disease, liver disease specific to pregnancy and liver cancer.

Diseases of the liver, excessive alcohol use and obesity can damage the liver. The goal of a hepatologist is to treat these illnesses early to prevent excessive scarring from developing and progressing to cirrhosis.

A graduate of St. Georges University School of Medicine, Grenada, Patel completed his residency at Lehigh Valley Hospital Internal Medicine. He completed fellowship training at Albert Einstein Medical Center and earned an additional fellowship at Drexel College of Medicine.

**SLUHN Leapfrog ratings**

The Leapfrog Group, a national nonprofit health care ratings organization, awarded top Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades to more St. Luke's hospitals than those of any other regional health care network.

The Safety Grade assigns letter grades of A, B, C, D and F twice annually - in the spring and fall - to hospitals nationwide based on their performance in preventing medical errors, infections and other harms. St. Luke's University Health Network Bethlehem, Allentown and Anderson campuses were awarded an 'A' for their commitment to keeping patients safe and meeting the highest safety standards in the U.S.

Geisinger St. Luke's Hospital was also awarded an 'A.'

The latest grades provide a look at the impact of COVID-19 on patient safety, with several measures included in the grade showing a significant decline.

To see St. Luke's full grades, and to access patient tips for staying safe in the hospital, visit [www.hospitalsafetygrade.org](http://www.hospitalsafetygrade.org).

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**BETHLEHEM HARB**

**Board steps up to approve stairway**

BY ED COURRIER  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Brian and Trish Carnahan were granted a certificate of appropriateness to replace concrete steps and the landing for their 444 N. New St. home from the Historical and Architectural Review Board at the May 4 held at the Rotunda.

Located along the Wall Street-facing edge of the corner property, the new stairs are to be centered off the existing porch stairs and built with flagstone. The concrete landing will be replaced with red brick pavers to match other pavers located around the property.

The Carnahans also received approval to resurface the parking pad off Wall Street with red chipped stone, match-



**Robert and Jenine Littner** present their painting proposal at the May 4 HARB hearing for 512 N. New St.

ing the existing surface. The stone retaining wall around it is to be repaired in-kind.

The applicants were advised a hand railing for the stairs will need to be installed to meet code requirements. The design for it should be reviewed by the board at a future meeting.

Donald and Elke Rockwell scored a COA to replace the roof, skylights and windows for their end-of-row unit at 52 E. Wall St. GAF Slate-line shingles in Antique Slate were approved, with Royal Slate chosen as a backup color if supply issues were encountered. The existing gutters and downspouts are to be retained.

The skylights are being replaced with in-kind, updated models.

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PRESS PHOTOS BY ED COURRIER



**Trish and Brian Carnahan** provide a sketch of their proposed stairs and landing project for their home at 444 N. New St.



**Donald Rockwell** discusses the shingle samples he brought for his proposed roof replacement for 52 E. Wall St.

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# HEALTH

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## Hospice Bike Ride June 4

The 11th annual St. Luke's Hospice Bike Ride will be held at 10 a.m. rain or shine June 4 on the D&L Trail, 200 N. Main Lane, Lehighton. The annual ride enables families and friends of individuals who have been in Hospice to honor their loved one, to support St. Luke's Hospice and enjoy the scenic outdoors. There is a fee.

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There will be a basket raffle of baskets donated by businesses in the community. Register at <https://stlukeshospice.wufoo.com/forms/11th-annual-st-lukes-hospice-bike-ride>. Contact Bethany Gray, Hospice Volunteer Coordinator, VNA and Hospice, with questions about event registration or sponsorship opportunities.

## VOLUNTEERS

Help turn tongues blue for the 35th annual Blueberry Festival on July 16 and 17, hosted by Historic Bethlehem Museums & Sites. Two shifts per day are available and volunteers get a T-shirt and free piece of pie or ice cream scoop. Spots are also available for set up during the week before and market-to-go/clean up during the week after. Minimum age 16 or 15 with adult. Contact Tavia Minnich, 610-6916055, [tmminich@historicbethlehem.org](mailto:tmminich@historicbethlehem.org).

Your kindness can help our residents feel beautiful. Cedarbrook Senior Care and Rehab is looking for dedicated volunteers for its Fountain Hill site to escort residents downstairs to the in-house beauty shop. This could be one to three days a week, depending on your preference, on Tuesdays, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Wednesdays, 9 a.m. - noon, and Thursdays, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Minimum age 13. Contact Kerry Magliane, 610-336-5684, [kerrymagliane@lehighcounty.org](mailto:kerrymagliane@lehighcounty.org).

Partner with activities staff to help assemble and serve strawberry shortcakes to residents Thursday, May 26, for Grace Dale Nursing Home's annual Strawberry Festival. Volunteers are needed 1:30-4 p.m. to help scoop individual servings of strawberries onto pound cake slices and topping with whipped cream. Minimum age 14 with adult. Volunteers must be fully vaccinated against Covid-19, and show proof when checking in. Contact Jennie Repsher, 610-829-3686, [jrepsher@northamptoncounty.org](mailto:jrepsher@northamptoncounty.org).

Greet visitors during gallery hours and provide information about the featured artist(s) and Nazareth Center for the Arts. Shifts are 2-4 hours between noon and 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. You are welcome to bring your art, craft, or practice your instrument during your gallery hours. Minimum age 17 with adult. Looking for people who can volunteer at least once a month but would love weekly volunteers. Contact Jenny

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## HARB

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The 22 double-hung replacement windows replicate the existing ones.

The brick façade home is part of a row of attached houses built circa 1977 on the former site of the 1892 George Neisser Public School.

Robert and Jenine Littner's front door and trim painting proposal was approved for 512 N. New St. The color is to change from brown to black to match the color of the wall lights flanking the main entrance.

Currently home to the law offices of Littner & Littner, the one-story building was once a post office.

All votes were unanimous.

With former chair Marsha Fritz's term recently expired and Beth Starbuck's resig-



Changing the window and door trim from brown to black was approved for the Littner & Littner Law Offices at 512 N. New St. The building was a former post office.

nation from both historic boards, HARB is currently seeking two volunteers to fill empty seats.

Vice Chair Connie Postupack presided over the meeting and introduced newly-appointed member Nik Nikolov.

The Historical and Architectural Review Board regularly meets the first Wednesday of every month to review all exterior changes proposed to buildings in the Bethlehem Historic District north of the Lehigh River. When a pro-

posed project receives a certificate of appropriateness from the board, applicants must wait for city council to vote on it before proceeding. Meetings can be viewed on YouTube.



Replacement roofing and windows were approved for 52 E. Wall St., owned by Donald and Elke Rockwell.



The Carnahans' corner property at 444 N. New St. is shown facing Wall Street. The couple proposes replacing concrete stairs with flagstone and resurfacing their parking pad.




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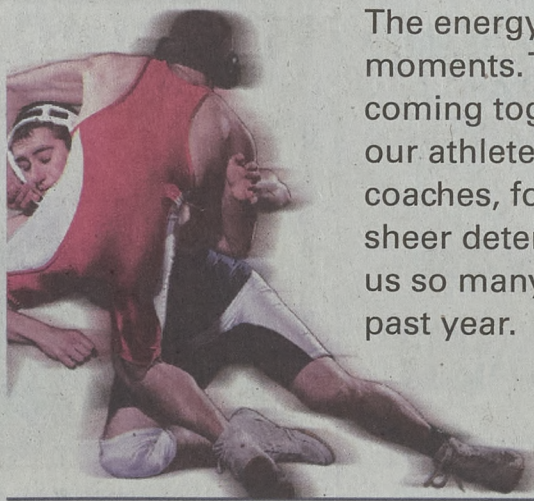
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# Council hopes to undo labor shortage at county facilities

## LEHIGH COUNTY

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The labor shortages created by the pandemic hit the Lehigh County Jail and the Cedarbrook nursing facilities especially hard. Both were losing employees and new hires were hard to get.

While Lehigh County government has struggled with this labor shortage, one solution was to increase the pay of workers in these departments which includes the 911 Communication Center.

Commissioners on May 11 approved a first reading of the bill that will amend the county's Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual to provide for compensation incentives in "essential 24-hour departments" in response to issues in the labor market.

When finally approved, the bill will grant the Lehigh County Commissioners authority to enact temporary wage increases from the county in response to critical labor shortages



PRESS PHOTOS BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

Left: "Until the [Home Rule] Charter changes, this the best that we can do," said Commissioner Geoff Brace. Right: Lehigh County Director of Corrections Janine Donate reminded Commissioners that her staffing levels are mandatory.

that place the department at risk of understaffing.

Employees in essential 24-hour departments, including Corrections (Lehigh County Jail), Cedarbrook Senior Care and Rehabilitation

and the 911 Communication Center, are the departments that are deemed critical and thus the need to respond to critical labor issues that place the departments at risk of understaffing.

According to the bill,

requests by the department heads of these "24-hour departments" must be sent through Lehigh County Executive Phillips Armstrong for approval by commissioners. The bill cites the Home Rule Charter as the ruling document on this procedure.

The new legislation allows the county to make increases of pay of people staffing critical jobs such as security guards at Cedarbrook. The contractor providing security services has previously appealed for a change in their contract so they could pay security guards more to keep a full staff.

"Until the [Home Rule] Charter changes, this the best that we can do," said Commissioner Geoff Brace.

Commissioner Dan Hartzell brought his newspaper experience to offer editorial changes.

Lehigh County Director of Corrections, Janine Donate reminded commissioners that her staffing levels are mandatory.

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As Liberty's Josh Farrell takes first place, Bethlehem Catholic's Kensley Joasil comes in second in the 400 meter run at the District XI Track and Field Championships on May 18.



Freedom's Alex Heidemann is first to the finish line in the 1600 meter run at the District XI Track and Field Championships on May 18.

## Heidemann, Farrell capture D-11 gold

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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District medalists from Freedom and Liberty's boys track and field teams competed in some of the closest races of the District XI Track and Field Championships last Tuesday and Wednesday at Whitehall High School.

Freedom's Alex Heidemann captured the gold medal in the 1600 meter run (4:23.71) with a stampede of three, Stroudsburg's Liam McLaughlin, East Stroudsburg South's Liam Davis, and North Schuylkill's Justin Williams, running shoulder-to-shoulder just behind the Patriot senior.

"I knew there were gonna be people who'd go out with me, but I set my pace and knew they wouldn't be able to hold it," said Heidemann, who had been feeling under the weather all day. "I was sick before the race, but I moved past it. I'm just looking forward to running that at states."

Still not feeling up to par, Heidemann's 800 meter run later in the day resulted in the silver medal (1:54.30), and Southern Lehigh's Chase Hensinger won the gold (1:53.95).

"He had a good lead on me, and I pushed for

it, and he was just able to hold me off," said an exhausted Heidemann, who sat on the turf afterward, barely able to keep his eyes open. "I have a competitive nature, and my kick is one of my strengths, so I pushed for it."

Hensinger said he never ran that fast in his life.

"I knew Alex would come charging," Hensinger said. "Last year, we had a great race, and Alex got me. This year, I had to dig deep. My teammates were yelling, 'He's coming,' and I knew he was coming."

A similar battle occurred in the 400 meter run between Liberty's Josh Farrell, who won the gold medal (50.07) and Bethlehem Catholic's Kensley Joasil, who won the silver (50.90).

"I came in this race looking for competition, and that's what I got," said Joasil. "It's that kick [Farrell] always talks about, and honestly, I feel like I'm still getting better at my kick. We both pushed each other today and both got the deed done."

The two competitors looked more like good friends than competitors after the race, taking pictures together and exchanging phone

numbers.

Said Farrell, "He started speeding up, coming off the second turn. You can hear them breathing pretty heavily, and I had to catch him a little bit, and after that, once I kick, it's basically just me. I'm trying to hit 48 at states, so there'll be a whole new field of competition."

Liberty's Raymon Deschamps won the silver medal in 110 hurdles (15.46) just missing gold to Notre Dame Green Pond's Joseph Phillips (15.37).

"It was good, you know. There's a lot of good competition, and all the times were really close, so it felt good," Deschamps said.

Just as happy for Deschamps was teammate Farrell, jumping up and down and running to congratulate his fellow Hurricane.

"Josh is my boy," Deschamps smiled. "I worked a lot on form and speed in between hurdles with my coaches. Without their guidance, I wouldn't be here right now."

In the last event of the district meet, Farrell, Damian De Los Santos Suriel, Emrick Leshko, and Kenneth Ruiz won the bronze medal in the 4x4 relay (3:27.95).

## Area girls bring home district track medals

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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District medals were awarded to six Freedom and Liberty girls at the District XI Track and Field Championships last Tuesday and Wednesday at Whitehall High School.

Silver medalists from Liberty were Tamia Bruce in shot put (36-09.75) and Brooke Rawls in triple jump (37-01.00).

"I started off at 36-02, and my final jump was 37-01," Rawls said. "It felt great because I'm in my sophomore year. It was really fun. I just went for it. Getting to states was my biggest goal."

Freedom sophomore Ava Fihlman captured silver in the 3200 meter run (11:28.44).

"At the one mile mark, I felt like it was

too comfortable, and I needed to make a move at some point and didn't want to get caught in the wind near the 500. Then I was trying to hold the pace and work on the gap between Hailey and me," Fihlman said.

Emmaus's Hailey Reinhard was the eventual winner (11:24.98), and there was a point in the race when Fihlman was within three seconds of

the leader.

"We work together when we're running and it helps both of us," said Fihlman, who also won the fourth-place medal in the 1600 meter run (5:18.57). "I don't tell her exactly what I'm doing before the race, but we talk about how we're feeling that day. It's friendly. With the conditions today, the wind, it was where my coach

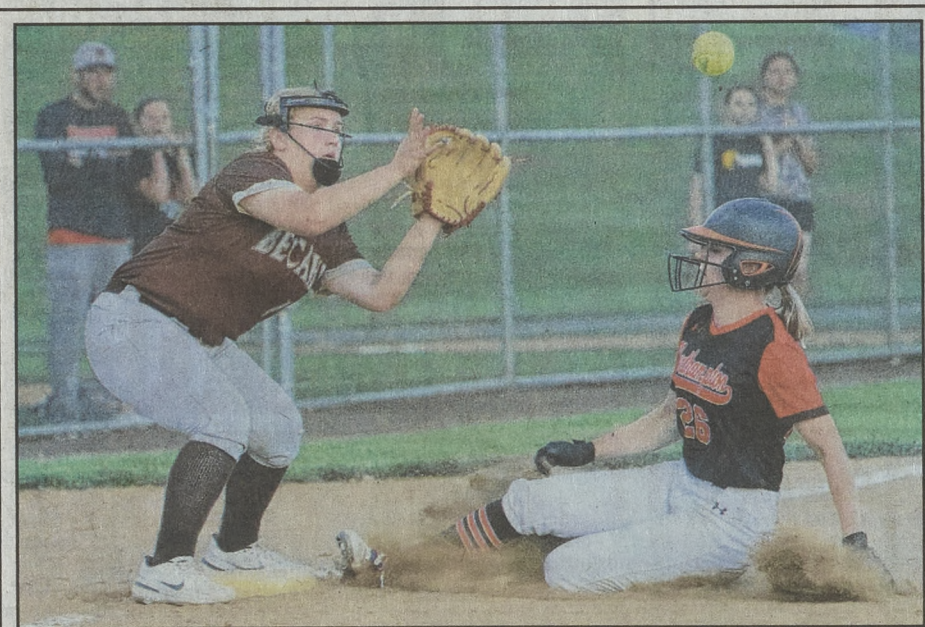
(Bob Thear) wanted me to be, exactly. My splits were great. It's really exciting."

Bronze medalists from Liberty were Annika Flanigan in pole vault (10-00.00), and Brylee Tereska in javelin (131-07).

Tereska had been working toward a distance higher than 129-00 all season and hoped for a return to the PIAA

State Track and Field Championships.

"I P.R.'ed by an inch, and I'm glad I got into the 130's again. That was my goal this whole season," said the Hurricane senior. "I was focusing on my point to get the flight flatter. All my throws were consistent, above 125, so I knew it was coming."



### Softball

Becahi and Freedom will take part in the District 11 softball playoffs starting this week. Freedom is the seven seed and earned a bye before facing Northampton on the road on Thursday at 4 p.m. Becahi will also play Thursday at 4 p.m. The Hawks are the top seed in 4A, and will take on the winner of Wilson and Tamaqua. Above is BC's Sarah Banko hauling in a late throw at third against Northampton in the EPC playoffs. At the right is the Pates Emily Philippi catching the ball at first base for an out against Parkland in the EPC playoffs.



PRESS PHOTOS BY LINDA ROTHROCK

## Boys eye title bid

BY PETER CAR  
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Freedom's boys' lacrosse team has a chance to make history this week, but they need to take care of business first.

The Pates (15-4) were in Tuesday's District 11 3A semifinals and faced top-seeded Delaware Valley. The results were past Press deadlines, but the hope is that a victory would secure their first ever berth in the district championship, which is something the program has been yearning for ever since its inception.

First, however, they

needed to get past Del Val, a team that was coming off a first-round bye and who have traditionally played teams from the Lehigh Valley tough.

"Del Val is doing great things up North," said Freedom head coach Tony Fabrizio. "They're 15-2 and the first seed, so this game won't just be a walk in the park. We went up to them a few years ago and got embarrassed by them, so that's what we relayed to our team. It'll be a good game to play."

This isn't the same Freedom team that Del

Val beat up on a few years ago though. This group of Pates have proven that they've entered the upper tier of the East Penn Conference powers this season, further evidenced by their 10-9 victory over Emmaus in their district opener last week.

Being able to knock off a program like Emmaus twice in one season was a major step for the program.

"The win versus Emmaus was huge for us as a program and for our team this year," Fabrizio said. "To beat

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PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

Connor Bevan helped to lead the Freedom boys past Emmaus in the district playoffs.





PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

Liberty's Jacob Scheirer fires to first during the EPC playoffs.

## District baseball tourney set to open

BY PETER CAR  
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The District 11 baseball tournament gets underway this Wednesday with Liberty and Bethlehem Catholic both set to kick off action in the quarterfinal rounds of the 6A and 4A brackets. Liberty comes into the 6A tournament as the second-seed and hosts seventh-seeded Pleasant Valley Wednesday at 4pm. The other matchup in the bottom of the bracket is third-seeded Parkland taking on sixth-seeded Easton.

The top of the bracket features EPC champion

Emmaus as the number-one seed, as they open with eighth-seeded Stroudsburg. Fourth-seeded Nazareth hosts fifth-seeded Northampton in the other matchup. Semifinals are set for May 29 with the championship date coming on June 1. Both the semifinals and finals will take place at DeSales. In 4A, Bethlehem Catholic comes in off the bat with a tough EPC matchup against Central Catholic in a four-five matchup. That game will be Wednesday at 4pm at Freemans-

burg. The winner will take on either top-seeded Blue Mountain or eighth-seeded Jim Thorpe. The Hawks were district champions last year and look to defend their crown. In the bottom half of the bracket, second-seeded Saucon Valley takes on seventh-seeded North Schuylkill. The winner will play either third-seeded Pine Grove or sixth-seeded Northwestern. The semifinals are set for May 29 at Tamaqua with the finals to be held June 1 at DeSales.



PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

Paige Jenkins keeps her eye on the ball and despite five goals against Parkland the Pates fell to the Trojans in the district playoffs.

## LAX

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a good team twice in one season is a difficult thing to do. I think it also shows that our kids never give up. The Emmaus game definitely didn't start the way we planned but our team refused to give up." The fourth-seeded Pates fell behind 4-0 in the first quarter against Emmaus and trailed 8-6 in the final frame and needed every last second of action to pull out the win, as Alex Greenberg scored his fourth-goal of the game with 27 sec-

onds left to give Freedom the lead and eventual win. Now they hope to roll that momentum through Del Val for an opportunity to play their first championship. "We haven't talked about reaching the finals," said Fabrizio of the team's mindset coming into the semifinals. "We're focused on playing Del Val. We keep telling our kids that there's not a Thursday game if you don't win Tuesday." Should Freedom win, they would move to Thursday's championship against either

third-seeded Parkland or second-seeded Easton. The Freedom girls saw their season come to an end last week in the district playoffs, falling to Parkland 12-11 in the 3A quarterfinals. Parkland's Kaz Kennedy scored the game winner with 1:27 left to propel the Trojans to the semifinal round. Paige Jenkins led the Pates with five goals on the night. The Freedom girls ended their season with an 11-6 record.

## BECAHI GIRLS HOOP CAMP

Bethlehem Catholic girls basketball will host two camps this summer. The Baby Birds Camp will take place June 13-15 for kids entering grades K-3. The camp will run from 9:30 a.m.-

12 p.m. Doors open at 9:15 a.m. Cost is \$90. The Lady Hawks Camp will take place from June 20-23 for kids entering grades 4-9. The camp will run from 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Doors

open at 8:45 a.m. Cost is \$135. Camps instruction will be led by Coach Medina and Lady Hawk players and staff.

# NFF honors scholar athlete nominees

Recently, the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame Lehigh Valley Scholar-Athlete Dinner took place, and for the first time there was a big and small school winner announced.

The event took place back on Sunday, March 6, in Northampton. The Albert Beneck Memorial Scholarships were given to East Stroudsburg South's Bobby McClosky as the big school winner, with Notre Dame-Green Pond's Collin Quintano named the small-school winner.

Salisbury's Ben Krauss was the winner of the Edward J. Watto Community Service Award.

There was also a first-time award given to the area's outstanding lineman in memory of Northampton's Mike "Guut" Gurdineer, the Kids football coach who passed away due to COVID. Freedom's

Braelin Moore was named the winner.

Below are the submitted bios for Bethlehem Press area kids who were nominated:

### Bethlehem Catholic Justin Kanyuk

Kanyuk is a 6-6, 315-pound offensive tackle, who is in the top 5 percent of his class of 177, with a GPA of 3.93. He is an honor roll student and member of the National Honor Society. He earned second team all-conference honors in 2021, and was a first team selection in 2020. He is a member of the Key and Hess clubs, and serves as a Hawk Ambassador. He is an altar server and volunteers with St. Luke's Hospital, the Toy Drive, Thanksgiving Can Drive and Celtic Fest.

### Freedom Braelin I. Moore

Moore is a 6-3, 290-pound offensive tackle and defensive end who ranks 130 out of 455 students. He is an honor

roll student and has a GPA of 3.91. He earned first team all-state defensive honors and first team all-conference offensive and defensive honors. He is active in his community.

### Liberty Kyndred Sky Wright

Wright is a 5-7, 180-pound running back who ranks 28 out of 602 students. He is an honor roll student, National Honor Society member and carries a GPA of 4.48. He participates in varsity track and is a member of

the Student Athlete Council. He is an Upwards Basketball volunteer and serves as a GLVA Flag Football referee and coach.

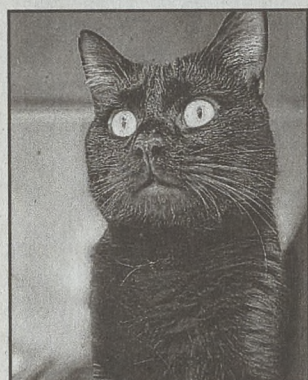
Keith Neward and Jimmy Wentz were also honored. They are former members of the Lehigh Valley Chapter board who passed away since the last banquet took place in 2019. Last year's banquet was canceled due to COVID.

## DISTRICT 11 TRACK AND FIELD RESULTS

District 11 Track and Field Championships		5:17.95*, 2. Katelyn Barthold (NL) 5:26.71*, 3. Katie McCormick (NS) 5:27.49;		39.80*, 2. Jake Hilarczyk (Na) 40.49*, 3. Joseph Phillips (ND) 41.05;	
<b>BOYS CLASS 2A Team Legend</b>		3200 - 1. Ryley Schwalm (NS) 11:57.41*, 2. Izzy Kehoe-Huck (ACC) 12:26.62*, 3. Katie McCormick (NS) 12:35.13;		High jump - 1. Leyti Ndiaye (ESS) 6-3", 2. (tie) Robert Allen (SL) and Tyrone Chambers (NS) 6-1";	
Allentown Central Catholic (ACC), Catasauqua (C), Lincoln Leadership Academy (LLA), Mahanoy Area (MA), Marian Catholic (MC), Minersville (M), Nativity BVM (N), Northern Lehigh (NL), Palisades (Pal), Palmerton (Palm), Panther Valley (PV), Pen Argyl (PA), Pine Grove (PG), Salisbury (S), Schuylkill Haven (SH), Shenandoah Valley (SV), Weatherly (W)		400 relay - 1. Pine Grove 50.70*, 2. Allentown Central Catholic 51.62*, 3. Palisades 51.66;		Pole Vault - 1. Aiden Hurlburt (Em) 14-3", 2. Andrew Brinker (S) 13-9", 3. Tyler Grabiniski (Em) 13-3, 6. Cayden Kuhns (NW) 12-3;	
<b>Individual Results</b>		1600 relay - 1. Notre Dame GP 4:13.59*, 2. Palisades 4:18.68*, 3. Marian Catholic 4:28.71;		Long jump - 1. Colin Burdian (ESS) 22-3", 2. Logan Henry (No) 22-2.25", 3. Kyle Moore (Em) 21-8.5";	
100 - 1. Jacob Fenstermaker (MC) 11.24*, 2. Trevor Amorim (NL) 11.39, 3. Wyatt Younes (C) 11.42, 6. Brett Misera (NL) 11.63;		3200 relay - 1. Notre Dame GP 10:05.77*, 2. North Schuylkill 10:15.74*, 3. Palisades 10:26.13;		Triple jump - 1. Michael Lawrence (PMW) 45-4.75", 2. Samuel Chedester (Ea) 45-0", 3. Kyle Moore (Em) 44-6.75;	
200 - 1. Trevor Amorim (NL) 23.29*, 2. Jacob Fenstermaker (MC) 23.30, 3. Jacob Gibbons (S) 23.67;		100H - 1. Abigail Frew (PG) 16.06*, 2. Rhianne Markovchick (W) 16.43*, 2. Valia Tsirikis (ND) 17.23;		Shot put - 1. Ron Blake (ESS) 49-10.75", 2. Anthony Liguori (S) 48-2", 3. Dylan Krugh (B) 47-0.75;	
400 - 1. Gavin Grim (ACC) 51.84*, 2. Jacob Dove (C) 52.55, 3. Michael Stank (N) 52.55;		300H - 1. Abigail Frew (PG) 49.85*, 2. Elianna Wallbillich (PA) 50.63, 3. Isabella Sautoa (ND) 51.92, 7. Samantha Perloni (Palm) 54.03;		Javelin - 1. Bobby McClosky (ESS) 179-8", 2. Thomas Lloyd (W) 172-2", 3. Andrew Nguyen (P) 168-6";	
800 - 1. Joseph Duffy (ACC) 2:01.34*, 2. Ricky Ray (W) 2:01.67, 3. Lucas Musherush (ACC) 2:03.68, 5. Jordan Mann (Palm) 2:06.47;		Pole Vault - 1. Ana Recker (Palm) 10-6", 2. Emily Moyer (NL) 10-0", 3. Bubblegum Kernosh (PA) 10-0, 7. (tie) Maddy Bennyhoff (Palm) and two others 6-6;		Discus - 1. Max Mueller (W) 159-11", 2. Anthony Liguori (S) 147-3", 3. Aiden Raub (S) 144-7.	
1600 - 1. Thomas Smigo (Pali) 4:26.99*, 2. Mitchell Campbell (Pali) 4:34.01, 3. Landon Boyle (M) 4:34.64;		High jump - 1. Paige Casterline (Pali) 5-0", 2. Lexie Chilinskis (MA) 5-0", 3. Brooke Bleam (S) 5-0;		<b>GIRLS CLASS 3A Team Legend</b>	
3200 - 1. Thomas Smigo (Pali) 9:50.03*, 2. Landon Boyle (M) 9:50.62, 3. Mitchell Campbell (Pali) 10:08.31;		Long jump - 1. Devin Hubler (M) 18-3", 2. Nataly Walters (Palm) 17-8.25", 3. Makaili Donmoyer (PG) 16-6.75;		Bangor (B), Blue Mountain (BM), Dieruff (D), Easton (Ea), East Stroudsburg North (ESN), East Stroudsburg South (ESS), Emmaus (Em), Freedom (F), Jim Thorpe (JT), Lehigh (Leh), Liberty (Lib), Nazareth (Na), Northampton (No), North Schuylkill (NS), Northwestern Lehigh (NW), Notre Dame GP (ND), Parkland (P), Pleasant Valley (PV), Pocono Mountain East (PME), Pocono Mountain West (PMW), Saucon Valley (SV), Southern Lehigh (SL), Stroudsburg (S), Tamaqua (T), Whitehall (W)	
400 relay - 1. Northern Lehigh (Matt Frame, Trevor Amorim, Alexander Jimenez Wittong, Brett Misera) 44.28", 2. Palmerton 44.66, 3. Marian Catholic 44.92;		Triple jump - 1. Devin Hubler (M) 37-6", 2. Nataly Walters (Palm) 36-7", 3. Mikaili Donmoyer (PG) 34-3.5";		<b>Individual Results</b>	
1600 relay - 1. Palisades 3:30.73", 2. Palmerton (Brance Fronheiser, Dylan Hartranft, Jordan Mann, Bryson Walters) 3:31.95, 3. Schuylkill Haven 3:38.70;		Shot put - 1. Izabella Bochicchio (PV) 34-8.75", 2. Kaycee Raczka (M) 34-2.25", 3. Jessica Heydt (Palm) 32-10.25;		100 - 1. Kaila O'Connor (JT) 12.23", 2. Madison Trout (SL) 12.30", 3. Naema Salau (P) 12.36";	
3200 relay - 1. Allentown Central Catholic 8:24.65", 2. Weatherly 8:33.34, 3. Minersville 8:36.72;		Discus - 1. Katelyn Shoemaker (Pali) 107-7", 2. Randi Wood (SV) 103-9", 3. Caitlin Kirk (NL) 96-0;		200 - 1. Kaila O'Connor (JT) 25.03", 2. Madison Trout (SL) 25.64", 3. Naema Salau (P) 25.67";	
110H - 1. Justin Herrman (Palm) 16.01", 2. Bryson Walters (Palm) 16.05, 3. Colm McGroarty (MA) 16.33;		Javelin - 1. Katelyn Shoemaker (Pali) 108-3", 2. Carly Minchhoff (MC) 108-1", 3. Hannah Leninger (PG) 106-2. *State Qualifiers		400 - 1. Raegan Day (Ea) 59.69", 2. Lucy Tobia (P) 1:00.07", 3. Jayla Reinert (Ea) 1:00.44;	
300H - 1. Bryce Guthier (Pali) 42.06", 2. Colm McGroarty (MA) 42.07, 3. Cody Miller (N) 42.47;		<b>BOYS CLASS 3A Team Legend</b>		800 - 1. Sophie Emin (Ea) 2:18.67", 2. Olivia Haas (BM) 2:19.09", 3. Lana Hurwitz (P) 2:19.62;	
Pole Vault - 1. Taylor LaBarre (PA) 13-0", 2. Harrison Dailey (Palm) 12-6, 3. Tyson Utesch (S) 12-6;		Bangor (B), Bethlehem Catholic (BC), Blue Mountain (BM), Dieruff (D), Easton (Ea), East Stroudsburg North (ESN), East Stroudsburg South (ESS), Emmaus (Em), Freedom (F), Jim Thorpe (JT), Lehigh (Leh), Liberty (Lib), Nazareth (Na), Northampton (No), North Schuylkill (NS), Northwestern Lehigh (NW), Notre Dame GP (ND), Parkland (P), Pleasant Valley (PV), Pocono Mountain East (PME), Pocono Mountain West (PMW), Saucon Valley (SV), Southern Lehigh (SL), Stroudsburg (S), Tamaqua (T), Whitehall (W)		1600 - 1. Olivia Haas (BM) 4:56.55", 2. Hailey Reinhard (Em) 5:09.67", 3. Lana Hurwitz (P) 5:13.08;	
High jump - 1. Hunter Bleam (S) 5-11", 2. Jose Ramirez (MC) 5-11, 3. Killian Skocik (PG) 5-11;		100 - 1. Damon Simpson (W) 10.64", 2. Damian Simpson (W) 10.74", 3. Benjamin Henry (No) 10.87";		3200 - 1. Hailey Reinhard (Em) 11:24.98", 2. Avaline Fihlman (F) 11:28.44", 3. Emily Stock (SL) 11:38.80;	
Long jump - 1. Wyatt Younes (C) 20-11.5", 2. Chase Fenstermaker (S) 20-11.5", 3. Jason Cullen (M) 20-7.5;		200 - 1. Damon Simpson (W) 21.87", 2. Benjamin Henry (No) 21.98", 3. Aiden Tobin (SL) 22.42";		400 relay - 1. Nazareth 49.37", 2. Southern Lehigh 49.55", 3. Parkland 49.56";	
Triple jump - 1. Taylor LaBarre (PA) 42-11.25", 2. Cody Miller (N) 42-8.5, 3. Kyle Artis (S) 42-6;		400 - 1. Joshua Farrell (Lib) 50.07", 2. Kensley Joasil (BC) 50.90", 3. Blaise Verrastro (Em) 51.30, 7. Joshua Heilman (NW) 53.07;		1600 relay - 1. Easton 4:00.88", 2. Nazareth 4:03.37", 3. Parkland 4:03.47;	
Shot put - 1. Gian Greggo (PA) 50-7.5", 2. Dean Bartels (Pali) 48-2, 3. Clark Gulyez (ACC) 47-8;		800 - 1. Chase Hensinger (SL) 1:53.95", 2. Alex Heidemann (F) 1:54.30", 3. Ridge Snyder (JT) 1:58.36, 10. Nathan Vincent (NW) 2:02.98;		3200 relay - 1. Easton 9:48.31", 2. Parkland 9:48.72", 3. Southern Lehigh 10:04.55;	
Discus - 1. Dean Bartels (Pali) 133-7", 2. Hunter Bleam (S) 131-7, 3. Cole Dorshimer (PA) 127-0;		1600 - 1. Alex Heidemann (F) 4:23.71", 2. Liam McLaughlin (L) 4:24.59", 3. Liam Davis (ESS) 4:24.76;		100H - 1. Faith Yost (NW) 15.50", 2. DeNair Drew (PV) 15.88", 3. Emma McKee (SL) 15.98;	
Javelin - 1. Dean Bartels (Pali) 150-2", 2. (tie) Alex Konze (Palm) and Harrison Dailey (Palm) 149-1.		3200 - 1. Alex Kane (SL) 9:38.66", 2. Dominik Lisicky (SL) 9:48.54", 3. Matthew Santana (NW) 9:53.61, 4. Cole Chukoskie (NW) 9:54.55, 8. Samuel Bower (NW) 10:04.68;		300H - 1. Maggie Scalzo (Ea) 45.71", 2. Kaila O'Connor (JT) 45.73", 3. Jayla Reinert (Ea) 46.14, 4. Faith Yost (NW) 46.78;	
<b>GIRLS CLASS 2A Team Legend</b>		400 relay - 1. Wilson 41.78", 2. Stroudsburg 43.16", 3. Nazareth 43.26;		High jump - 1. Faith Yost (NW) 5-5", 2. Madeleine Battista (P) 5-3", 3. Hailey Falzone (Na) 4-11, 8. (tie) Hailey Ginder (Leh) and Allison Reimer (P) 4-9;	
Allentown Central Catholic (ACC), Catasauqua (C), Mahanoy Area (MA), Marian Catholic (MC), Minersville (M), Nativity BVM (N), Northern Lehigh (NL), North Schuylkill (NS), Notre Dame GP (ND), Palisades (Pali), Palmerton (Palm), Panther Valley (PV), Pen Argyl (PA), Pine Grove (PG), Salisbury (S), Schuylkill Haven (SH), Shenandoah Valley (SV), Weatherly (W)		1600 relay - 1. Northampton 3:24.95", 2. Southern Lehigh 3:26.61", 3. Liberty 3:27.95;		Pole Vault - 1. Coral Shivok (P) 11-9", 2. (tie) Katrin Cavanaugh (JT) and Annika Flanigan (Lib) 10-0", 7. Ashley Haas (NW) 8-6, 8. Grace Yost (NW);	
<b>Individual Results</b>		3200 relay - 1. Northwestern (Samuel Bower, Matthew-Santana, Cole Chukoskie, Nathan Vincent) 8:19.52", 2. Emmaus 8:20.05", 3. Pleasant Valley (Tyler Akob, Raymond Lursen, Aidan Green, Brandon Makara) 8:23.24;		Long jump - 1. Liberty Williams (D) 17-1.75", 2. Kate Walasavage (BM) 16-11.25", 3. Hailey Sammarco (P) 16-10.25;	
100 - 1. Viktorya Luckenbach (PG) 12.78", 2. Nataly Walters (Palm) 12.97", 3. Allyson Babinsky (MA) 13.19;		110H - 1. Joseph Phillips (ND) 15.37", 2. Raymon Deschamps (Lib) 15.46", 3. Parker Hoff (Na) 15.49;		Triple jump - 1. Grace Nation (P) 37-10", 2. Brooke Rawls (L) 37-1", 3. Danika Bolinsky (BM) 36-2.75;	
200 - 1. Viktorya Luckenbach (PG) 26.51", 2. Nataly Walters (Palm) 26.86", 3. Allyson Babinsky (MA) 27.46;		300H - 1. Shaun Apsley (No) 53.07";		Shot put - 1. Laura Clarke (JT) 37-0.75", 2. Tamia Bruce (Lib) 36-9.75", 3. Celis Miranda (ESN) 35-2.25, 9. Katie Brensinger (NW) 32-1.25;	
400 - 1. Lauren Bower (ND) 1:01.87", 2. Grace Curnow (MC) 1:02.08", 3. Samantha Roth (ACC) 1:02.37;		100 - 1. Ryley Schwalm (NS) 2:25.81", 2. Olivia Schweitzer (ND) 2:27.61", 3. Amelia Smith (Pali) 2:27.70;		Discus - 1. Laura Clarke (JT) 113-9", 2. Kelly Leszcynski (Na) 113-9", 3. Molly Lineberger (Em) 109-6;	
800 - 1. Ryley Schwalm (NS) 2:25.81", 2. Olivia Schweitzer (ND) 2:27.61", 3. Amelia Smith (Pali) 2:27.70;		1600 - 1. Ryley Schwalm (NS) 5:17.95", 2. Katelyn Barthold (NL) 5:26.71*, 3. Katie McCormick (NS) 5:27.49;		Javelin - 1. Kelly Leszcynski (Na) 145-5", 2. Rosalind Gergely (BM) 133-2", 3. Brylee Teresa (Lib) 131-7". *State Qualifiers	



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



**Lil Wayne** is a friendly 1-year-old cat perfect for a first-time pet owner. He loves people but can be picky about his feline friends. He has a cute Manx tail and enjoys talking and bird watching.



At 1 year old, **Archer** is searching for an active home with adults only and no small animals. This black German shepherd has had a hard life and requires multiple meets to learn to trust new people.

**VOLUNTEERS**

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Assist in lobbies, inpatient nursing, emergency department, OR waiting rooms or hospice by spending time socializing, providing comfort items, and assist staff with various supportive duties at all Lehigh Valley locations for St. Luke's University Health Network, where volunteers are greatly appreciated and a valued member of our team! Join our program today by calling 484-526-4600.

Spanish or English-speaking volunteers are needed virtually or in person to tutor or assist with teaching English as Second Language, Math, Social Studies, or Language Arts for students at The Literacy Center. Flexible schedule. Training and support will be provided. Contact Treeza Anthony, 610-435-0680 x804, [tanthony@theliteracycenter-lv.org](mailto:tanthony@theliteracycenter-lv.org).

YLEAD is a leadership and service program for Lehigh Valley high school students (entering 10th, 11th or 12th grade in the fall) hosted by Volunteer Center of the Lehigh Valley. Participants in the program develop critical leadership skills while See **VOLUNTEERS** on Page A14

**Astound grants Boys & Girls Club \$35K**

Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem, a nonprofit organization focused on youth development in the Lehigh Valley, has announced financial support totaling \$35,000 from Astound Broadband, powered by RCN!

The Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem was established in 1930. Today, the organization continues the work of enabling young people, especially those in most need, to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens in Bethlehem and surrounding communities.

Astound Broadband powered by RCN is a local, award-winning service provider of high-speed internet, TV and phone services to residents and businesses across Pennsylvania. As RCN, Astound has been part of the Greater Lehigh Valley and Delaware County communities for years, both as an employer and service provider to residents and businesses here. Astound continues to be powered by passionate local teams, dedicated to the people and communities it serves, bringing customers astounding services and products.

The Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem will bolster its programming in areas focused on providing members with educational support, healthy lifestyles and experiential learning opportunities. With over 500 members ranging in age from 5-18 years, there are many varying needs dependent on each member's age and individual demographics. This contribution is not just an investment in the Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem, but also an invest-



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**Miguel Rivera**, director of development and communications and Winston Alozie, CEO, both of the Boys and Girls Club of Bethlehem, accept a \$35,000 check from Sanford Ames Jr., SVP and general manager of Astound Broadband Pennsylvania. "We value inclusion across our business and also the service programs in which we participate, helping to provide equitable opportunities for residents across the country," Ames said.

ment in future neighbors, professionals and community leaders to come.

"As co-chair of the Diversity Advisory Group at Astound, I can confirm we value inclusion across our business and also the service programs in which we participate, helping to provide equitable opportunities for residents across the country," said VP & General Manager of Astound Broadband Pennsylvania Sanford Ames Jr. "Astound Broadband is dedicated to ensuring equitable opportunities for all and the partnership we have with the Boys and Girls Club is actively working to create that equity in the Lehigh Valley. The work these or-

ganizations provide our communities, specifically the mentoring programs, creates a sense of belonging and inclusion for our youth is one that Astound Broadband wholeheartedly supports."

"The work of supporting youth, particularly within the realm of Diversity Equity & Inclusion, is a laborious task. The Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem knows this as we serve a great portion of youth from BIPOC and other marginalized groups, and work to provide equitable access to opportunities," said Winston Alozie, CEO of the Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem. "Astound's clear and bold support of equity through youth development is much appre-

ciated."

The Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem sincerely thanks Astound for boldly donating \$35,000 to bolster its work in this area. "It is our hope that other companies in the Lehigh Valley will be as openly committed as Astound, and put their 'skin in the game' as well. Thank you Astound for helping make the Lehigh Valley a better place for all its residents!"

To learn more about the Boys & Girls Club of Bethlehem please visit [www.bgcob.org](http://www.bgcob.org). To learn more about Astound Broadband powered by RCN, visit [www.astound.com](http://www.astound.com).

Contributed article

**Attention Parents of Kids Ages 10-18**

**Discover How To Get Your Children Strong, Fast and Confident this Summer... So They Can Build a Bigger and Better Future**

**This program is for your child if:**

- They want to get better at sports but struggle because of lack of speed, strength or stamina.
- They eat more junk food than healthy food and you need another voice to help them understand how important a healthy diet is during these developmental years.
- They need to improve their confidence and you want them to start to get better at recovering from their mistakes.
- They're doing pretty good right now but want to take their performance in their sport to a higher level.



**Here's what parents can expect to happen:**



- They will get stronger which means when they show up to their sport they'll be able to perform better than ever.
- They will run faster and jump higher so they can show up to their next season and people will start asking that the heck have they been doing.
- They'll become more coordinated and improve agility which means they'll pick up new skills their coaches teach them faster.
- Your children will start to eat better because we'll be educating them daily on what's good and what they should avoid... don't be surprised if they start asking you to buy more vegetables.
- Confidence will skyrocket. When kids get stronger, faster and more fit... their confidence will rise... so will their self-esteem which means their performance in every aspect of life will get better.
- Their mindset will improve. We're going to equip your child with very specific mindset skills that'll help them learn how to transform how they think about mistakes and failures.

**The Details**

- This program is designed for Children 10 to 18 years of age.
- This is not exclusive to athletes only, we want children that want to put their best effort forth to becoming better.
- Each session will run 60-75 minutes in length.
- As well as working out, we will cover nutrition, recovery, fitness safety and leadership skills.

**Program Offers Two Flexible Time Options**  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 10AM or 4PM

**Pricing if you reserve before May 1st: \$249**  
• Session 1: June 20-July 15  
• Session 2: July 18-August 12  
**Pricing After Mat 1st: \$299**  
• Session 1: June 20-July 15  
• Session 2: July 18-August 12  
**Attend Both Sessions: \$499**  
• June 20-August 12

Visit [kspfit.com/summerprogram](http://kspfit.com/summerprogram) for all the details or scan QR Code with your camera phone



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working to support nonprofit organizations through service projects. Two sessions offered are July 11-15, or July 25-29, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Application and payment options available on the website, [www.volunteerlv.org/y-lead](http://www.volunteerlv.org/y-lead). Any questions, contact Sierra Mamay, 610-807-0336, [youth@volunteerlv.org](mailto:youth@volunteerlv.org).

**Support young musicians!** Join the board of directors at Young People's Philharmonic of the Lehigh Valley. Time commitments include attendance at monthly board meetings (currently remote) September-June and some committee work in between. Minimum age is 25. Contact Susan Yoder, 215-913-3336, [nominating@yppvlv.org](mailto:nominating@yppvlv.org).

Volunteer Center to receive a brochure listing agencies in need of volunteers at 610-807-0336 or e-mail: [vc@volunteerlv.org](mailto:vc@volunteerlv.org). Visit our website [www.volunteerlv.org](http://www.volunteerlv.org) for a larger listing of volunteer opportunities.

**NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**

**County introduces warm hand-off program**

Lamont McClure and the Northampton County Division of Mental Health announce a new program which became available May 16 - the Warm Handoff Program. The program will serve suicide attempt survivors who are inpatients in the behavioral health unit at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg (LVHN-Muhlenberg). Upon discharge, Northampton County residents will have the opportunity to be assigned a caseworker who will provide them with supports such as:

- Locating recommended services and navigating the referral process
- Assistance with understanding insurance and how to access services through it
- Linkage to peer and community supports in Northampton County
- Linkage to other Northampton County services if needed or requested
- Periodic check-ins from time of referral until three months following the patient's discharge

"Navigating available services and supports can be overwhelming for any patient, but especially for those who are struggling with issues in mental health," says Lamont McClure. "The Warm Handoff Program will assist people in making sure they are aware of all the resources available to them as they recover. I want to thank the administration at LVHN-Muhlenberg for partnering with us on this very important program."

The program is voluntary and participants can exit at any time if they feel the Warm Handoff services are no longer needed. Northampton County is providing this program at no additional costs to patients or their insurance.

**Household document shredding event June 4**

First come, first served. 10 a.m. to noon, June 4, Department of Human Services building, 2801 Emrick Blvd. Please do not arrive before 10 a.m. to avoid causing traffic problems. Residents are limited to three boxes or bags per vehicle with a 25 pound weight limit per box or bag. Accepted items include accounting records, canceled checks, pay stubs, financial statements, investment transactions, legal documents, medical records, tax forms, etc. Staples, paper clips, rubber bands and folders are okay. Unacceptable materials include junk mail, magazines, catalogs, photographs, negatives and X-rays. Ring binders, metal strips and plastic sheet protectors or coverings will be refused.

**Tax grant application deadline June 10**

Hotel tax grant applications are open now through June 10 with the Northampton County Department of Community and Economic Development.

Applicants must either be a federally registered nonprofit entity, 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4), or a municipal entity located within Northampton County. Eligible tourism and/or community development programs in the county projects and must be completed in the calendar year 2023. The grants are awarded by competitive process and distributed at the discretion of County Council. The recipients are expected to be announced in October 2022.

Interested organizations may apply by visiting [www.northamptoncounty.org/CMTYECEDV/Pages/Apply-for-Funding.aspx](http://www.northamptoncounty.org/CMTYECEDV/Pages/Apply-for-Funding.aspx)

Applicants must register and submit applications at [web.northamptoncounty.org/DCEDForms/views/Login.html](http://web.northamptoncounty.org/DCEDForms/views/Login.html)

For information and questions, call Karen Collis at 610-829-6314 or email [kcollis@northamptoncounty.org](mailto:kcollis@northamptoncounty.org)

**Grist Miller's House project gets state grant**

The Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) announce a grant of \$753,397 awarded by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Governor's Budget Office. DCED applied for the grant on behalf of Historic Bethlehem Museum & Sites (HBMS). The funds will be used for construction on the Grist Miller's House, located at 459 Old York Road, Bethlehem, in the Colonial Industrial Quarter. The building, constructed in 1782 and enlarged in 1834, is in need of structural repairs and must be brought into compliance with current building codes.

"The Grist Miller's House is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is an important part of our local history," says Lamont McClure. "It tells the story of early industries in Bethlehem and is a popular site for tours. The County of Northampton thanks the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for helping Historic Bethlehem preserve our history for future generations through this grant."

Exterior work will include installing a period-appropriate wood shingle roof, repairing and painting the wooden windows and installing copper gutters and downspouts. The walkway between the Grist Miller's House and the Luchenback Mill will also be restored.

Interior work includes refinishing the wood floors, painting the walls, repairing beams under the 1834 section, reopening the stairs from the basement to the first floor and installing electricity, plumbing, and an HVAC system.

**Daycare facility proposed for Gracedale**

The administrators of Gracedale Nursing Home are requesting County Council approve adding a daycare facility to the campus which will provide a financial incentive to attract CNAs, LPNs, RNs and other support staff.

"It's difficult for every industry to hang on to workers right now, but especially so for those working in healthcare," says County Executive Lamont McClure. "An on-site daycare center will help us recruit and keep new staff at Gracedale, providing benefits for both our employees and our residents."

McClure is asking County Council to approve using \$2 million of the American Recovery Act funds to construct and operate a daycare facility on Gracedale's grounds, providing care for the children of employees during their work shifts. The facility would be administered by a private contractor.

An on-site daycare would also offer the opportunity of inter-generational programming, giving the children an opportunity to interact with Gracedale residents.



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**Mambo Caliente** on Touchstone Theatre's new outdoor stage.

**Fiesta Latina**

The vibes could not have been more positive

BY DENNIS GLEW  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Touchstone Theatre hosted a Latinx Block Party, or Fiesta Latina, April 30 in the large attractive yard behind its buildings on South Fourth Street.

Featured were food, drink, dance and theater - all the ingredients of a good time. And a very good time was had by all. Approximately 200 people attended, many of them Puerto Rican in background. Seniors who are members of the Hispanic Center Lehigh Valley wore the traditional, brilliantly colored and flowing clothing of the island. They also performed several entertaining skits about Puerto Rican life and culture.

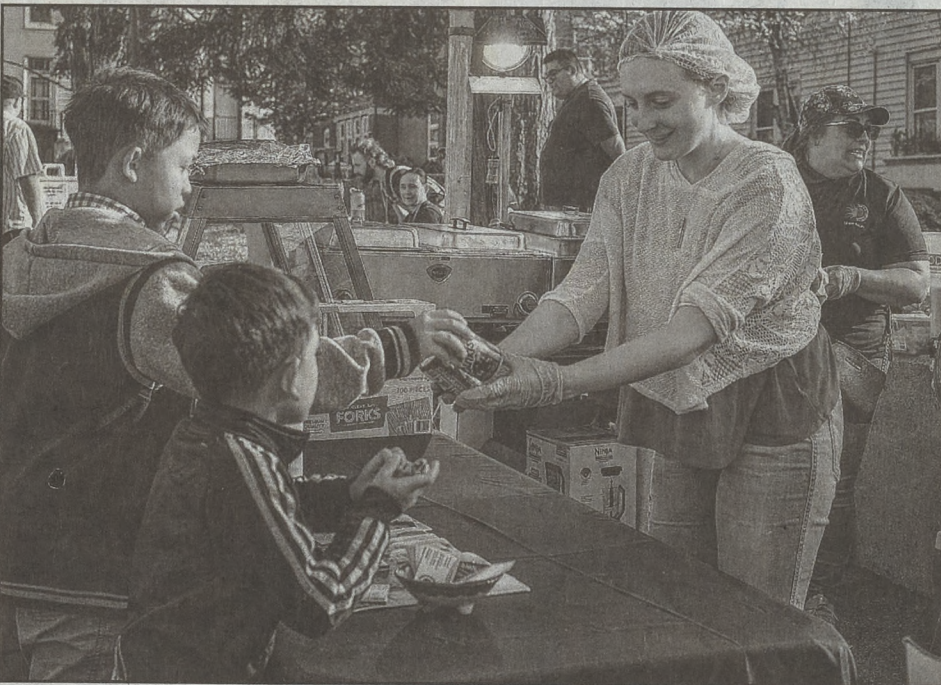
A local band, Mambo Caliente, featuring a dozen performers, lit the place up. Grandchildren danced with grandparents, lovers kissed, people gabbed with the cops manning a recruiting table for the Bethlehem Police Force, everybody ate and drank. The vibe could not have been more positive.

New to Touchstone Theatre's facilities is the Barrio Stage, one of the largest outdoor stages in the Lehigh Valley. Located in the theater's backyard, so to speak, it could easily have accommodated a band twice the size of Mambo Caliente. It promises to be a great resource for public performances of all sorts.

There was no admission charge for the Latinx Block Party (but there were modest charges for food and drinks). When the event returns next spring, anyone looking for an enjoyable and interesting evening out should put it on their calendar.



Members of the Hispanic Center's seniors group enacted battles between male and female family members in Puerto Rico produced by "shooting craps" (an illegal dice game). Anna Ortiz (left) is furious that Miguel Ortiz (bent over, trying to throw the dice) won't stop gambling, and William Velasquez tries to restrain his buddy. But two other guys (Jorge Romero, foreground, and Jose Garcia, behind him) clutching dollars in their fists, cheer for Miguel to continue playing. Who will win?



Angie Rizzo, a volunteer at Touchstone Theatre since her days as an undergraduate at Lehigh, serves sodas to hungry boys. Foods available to guests ranged from sandwiches to full meals. Two guys digging into plates loaded with pork, beans, and potatoes had only one comment: "Delicious!"



Bethlehem police officers Bradley Brickman (left) and Mervinson Lopez, who were joined by several other police officers, had a busy evening speaking with guests. Officers Brickman and Lopez came to talk with anyone who might be interested in careers in the Bethlehem Police Force.



With Mambo Caliente cooking, it was hard to stand still. Jorge Romero, Kookie Cruz and a high energy group of other seniors showed the rest of the audience how to respond to the music.

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# GOOD VIBES AT FIESTA LATINA



Miguel Ortiz, on guitar, sings a beautiful serenade to a loved one to the accompaniment of a second guitarist, Jose Garcia, and two percussionists, Jorge Romero (bongos) and Carmen Nieves.



Fidela Torres, a member of the Seniors Group at the Hispanic Center Lehigh Valley, models a traditional Puerto Rican gown, adding a detail from recent fashion: Shades.



Lucia Roman wears a beautiful rose in her hair to complement her necklace and set off the lace of her blouse.



William Velazquez models a traditional Puerto Rican hat for men - the first cousin, apparently, of the Mexican sombrero.



With "amor" in the air, a young couple hugs and kisses in the background, smiling when they noticed that a photographer had seen them. They escaped unidentified.

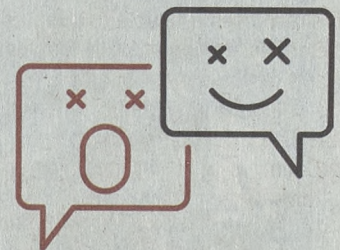
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## Main Library

May - all month

Star Wars take-home crafts including Obi-wan-centric ones. While supplies last. Visit [www.bapl.org/events/star-wars-take-home-crafts-all-month-long-at-the-main-library-2/](http://www.bapl.org/events/star-wars-take-home-crafts-all-month-long-at-the-main-library-2/) Adult pennant craft kits; include supplies to decorate triangular burlap pennants and design suggestions that can be used for Cinco de Mayo, Memorial Day, Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, Puerto Rican Day, Juneteenth, Flag Day, LGBTQ Pride Month and Independence Day. Pick up your kit at the reference desk at the Main Library, while supplies last. Visit [www.bapl.org/events/crafts-for-adults-decorative-pennants/](http://www.bapl.org/events/crafts-for-adults-decorative-pennants/)

Friday, June 3 (REGISTER BY JUNE 1)

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## SouthSide Branch

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Wednesday, May 25 - all month

Family Read Aloud Book Club, ages seven and up. Visit website and read the book "Rump" (the "fairly true" tale of Rumpelstiltskin). Join the library group at 5:30 p.m. June 22 for a casual dinner, discussion and activities. Space is limited. Registration required; call 610-867-7852. Information: visit [www.bapl.org/events/join-us-for-family-read-aloud-book-club-2022-05-18/](http://www.bapl.org/events/join-us-for-family-read-aloud-book-club-2022-05-18/)

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Wednesday, May 25

Preschool spring storytime. 10:15 to 10:45 a.m. [www.bapl.org/events/preschool-spring-storytime-at-south-side-2022-05-04/](http://www.bapl.org/events/preschool-spring-storytime-at-south-side-2022-05-04/)

Tuesday, May 31

SouthSide's choose your own book club; pick a book that was made into movie via Zoom invite (morning of May 16). 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. Book suggestions: email [cwieder@bapl.org](mailto:cwieder@bapl.org) or visit [www.bapl.org/events/choose-your-own-book-club-book-to-movie/](http://www.bapl.org/events/choose-your-own-book-club-book-to-movie/) To register, visit [www.bapl.org/evdents/caegories/virtual-events](http://www.bapl.org/evdents/caegories/virtual-events)

## Coolidge Building

May - all month

Handcrafts from Ukraine through June. Roxanne Dew, current president of (local) Branch 91 of the Ukrainian National Women's League of America, shares her heritage's treasures with the community. On display are: Dolls from the Poltava region; woodwork from the Carpathian Mountains region; ceramics from the Hutzal and Trypillian region; embroidery from Bukovina and Halychyna regions; and pysanky eggs from Western Ukraine.

For UNWLA Branch 91 charitable and cultural information, visit [www.facebook.com/UNWLA-branch-91-Bethlehem-Allentown-PA-672996013078253/?\\_dr](http://www.facebook.com/UNWLA-branch-91-Bethlehem-Allentown-PA-672996013078253/?_dr)

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Lyam Battista-Shook carries in the last of the 3,000 items with the help of fellow scouts Aidan Joyce, Neal Russo, Riley Nemitz, and Jonah Nemitz.

PRESS PHOTOS BY ELISABETH KEMMERER

## Eagle Scout project yields 3,000-item donation for Cay Galgon Life House

BY ELISABETH KEMMERER

Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Bethlehem community came together in a big way to help Cay Galgon Life House, thanks to one local Boy Scout. Lyam Battista-Shook of Troop 439 in Salisbury Township coordinated a community-wide collection of toiletry supplies for the shelter that serves pregnant women and women with young children for his Eagle Scout project. The result was a collection of close to 3,000 toiletries for the shelter. Shook and his parents, his brother and some of his fellow scouts delivered the supplies to Cay Galgon May 7.

Cay Galgon Life House (formerly known as Mary's Shelter) is a shelter for pregnant women and women with young children experiencing homelessness. The facility has space for seven pregnant women and a few larger rooms for women with children. The women seeking services are paired with a case worker who helps them formulate a birthing plan and access medical coverage, any services they need, such as food stamps and legal aid, and other means of building self-sufficiency, including job placement and education. Women who are pregnant or have children, and are experiencing homelessness do not have to live at Cay Galgon to access the shelter's services. An estimated 400 families are currently receiving services at Cay Galgon.

The majority of the items donated through Shook's project were given by Allentown Central Catholic HS, where Shook is in his senior year, and the Allentown Central Catholic Mini Vikes Football and Cheer association. Shook also received several donations from Relevant Church and Horizon Church, both



Lyam Battista-Shook's father, Jeremy Battista, helped Shook deliver the nearly 3,000-item donation to Cay Galgon on May 7.



Lyam Battista-Shook and his family delivered the last of the 3,000 donated items at Cay Galgon Life House around 10 a.m. May 7.

located in Allentown.

Besides approaching organizations to donate, Shook handed out flyers in Allentown and Salisbury Township with the help of fellow scouts Aidan Joyce, Neal Russo, Riley Nemitz, and Jonah Nemitz. He also recruited the help of Senator Patrick Toomey and his son Duncan Toomey, who assisted with the flyer distribution.

"My goal was 280 items and I received close to 3,000 for my project," Shook said. "It's great to see the Lehigh Valley come together for a good cause like this."

As a Boy Scout for the past 12 years, Shook has been involved with Big Brother Big Sister, the Allentown Rescue Mission, Phoebe Home and several food pantries and road clean-ups. He explained that he initially wanted to focus his Eagle Scout project on coordinating a coat drive for a local shelter. Because coats are seasonal, he changed over to toiletries and chose Cay Galgon to benefit.

"Becoming an Eagle Scout is about leadership as well as service," explained Jeremy Battista, Shook's father. "The scout is supposed to show leadership throughout the project. So, we sat back and let him take the reins. We took instructions from him about how we could help, but the project was all him."

Shook will attend Muhlenberg College in the fall, where he looks forward to studying business and partnering with the college's various service-oriented clubs and organizations. He is grateful for the assistance he received for this project from his parents, Jeremy and Lauren Battista, his brother, Nolan Battista, fellow scouts Aidan Joyce, Neal Russo, Riley Nemitz and Jonah Nemitz, and Senator Patrick Toomey and Duncan Toomey.

## ANOTHER VIEW - MEMORIAL DAY

## Expanding the memory

BY APRIL PETERSON

Special to the Bethlehem Press

It is upon us. Memorial Day, often viewed as the unofficial opening of summer, is almost here.

Many local community and public pools will be open for the long weekend.

Festive cookouts are planned.

Some readers may be packing their vehicles

for an extended weekend stay at the beach, in the mountains or at a lake.

Stores are advertising holiday sales of everything from mattresses to appliances to summer fashions and more.

In the din of the possibility of summer fun, however, the core of Memorial Day must not be dimmed.

Memorial Day honors

the fallen in all wars.

The roots of the national observance of Memorial Day in the United States can be traced to in the Civil War, which left more than 600,000 soldiers dead, more than 1 million wounded and/or maimed and freed the enslaved, including one of my great-great-grandmothers.

It is now known

among the first observances of Memorial Day was an event assembled by newly freed slaves about a month after the Confederacy surrendered in 1865.

Award-winning historian David Blight was researching a book on the Civil War when a curator at a library at Harvard University offered to let him look

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## Maintaining cat colonies

Dear editor:

I want to thank Bethlehem, Easton, Palmer Township, Nazareth Boro and Phillipsburg for taking a step in the right direction with starting a TNR program. However, TNR, alone, is not enough. You need a TNR-Plus program that will help people and the homeless felines.

TNR means the rescue group doing the trapping, traps the feline, gets them neutered or spayed, rabies and distemper vaccinations, worm and flea treatments and returned to the colony then walks away. This means the feline is on its own to get food. The feline becomes like foxes, coyotes, and any other predator searching for food. This leads to complaints about the felines hunting. Just like other predators they need to eat. They hunt or dumpster dive to survive.

TNR-Plus does all of that but goes much further than TNR. With THR-Plus the felines are fed, given fresh water, and cared for on a daily basis. Unlike us, other rescues make money from the felines they can adopt out. But it costs extra money to maintain the colony. We make no money from adoptions, and we still maintain all of our colonies. By maintaining the colonies, the felines have no need to hunt or dumpster dive. Therefore, all of you are heading in the right direction. Now you must continue in the right direction and have the colonies maintained. We have implemented this in all of our colonies with an amazing success rate. Come and join us and do the right thing.

Pastor Larry Vandever  
The Coalition for Feral Cats of Lehigh Valley

## Thank you for coverage

Dear Mr. Taylor,

AAUW Bethlehem thanks you for the excellent coverage the Bethlehem Press gave to our recent Book Fair. This year we exceeded our goal of raising over \$1 million in gross sales over the 60 years the Fair has been in existence. Thanks to the generosity of the local community and the large number of donations we received we will be able to fund many scholarships for high school girls and also adult women furthering their education. The article in the Press, along with the pictures, surely helped to increase our attendance and sales.

Thank you again,  
Mary Dawson  
Publicity Chair

## FROM THE DESK OF...

State Senator Lisa Boscola

### Airport grant announced

Boscola announced that Lehigh Valley International Airport has been awarded \$1.76 million in state funding to continue its terminal connector and security checkpoint expansion project and to enhance terminal commercial development connectivity. Funding for these projects are made through PennDOT's Aviation Transportation Assistance Program.

State Rep. Jeanne McNeill

### Bill targets carbon monoxide

Jeanne McNeill introduced H.B. 2505 - Carbon Monoxide legislation aimed at reducing the amount of accidental carbon monoxide poisoning incidents at child care facilities across the commonwealth. Currently, there are no statewide carbon monoxide alarm requirements in place.

Carbon monoxide has no smell and no color. According to McNeill, hundreds of Americans die each year from carbon monoxide poisoning, with an estimated 50,000 sent to the emergency room from accidental exposure annually.

Several municipalities were awarded a total of \$185,905 in grant allocations for leaf composting, curbside recycling and other waste management and recycling efforts.

The local governments in Lehigh County receiving grant money are:

- Coplay Borough - \$9,243
- Fountain Hill - \$34,821
- Salisbury Township - \$132,598
- Whitehall Township - \$9,243

State Rep. Bob Freeman

### Grant for 'traffic calming'

Rep. Bob Freeman said Lafayette College will receive a \$710,000 grant to install traffic-calming devices. The college will use money to install curb bump-outs and marked crosswalks, and add light fixtures, bicycle racks, benches, landscaping and street trees.

The local grant is one of 43 projects across the state to improve transportation alternatives and enhance mobility and public accessibility that were funded through the federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

State Rep. Steve Samuelson

### HBM&S gets grant

State Rep. Steve Samuelson said \$1.25 million in redevelopment grants were awarded by Gov. Tom Wolf for two projects in the city of Bethlehem.

Historic Bethlehem Museums and Sites will receive \$753,397 to repair the historic Grist Miller House. A \$500,000 grant was provided to Collaboration 3 LLC to stabilize and renovate the 100-year-old Goodman Building. The money also will be used to create an architecturally complementary building in an adjacent empty lot at a key location. Samuelson worked together with state Sen. Lisa Boscola in securing funding for both projects.

State Rep. Susan Wild

### Bill includes substance abuse funds

Wild voted to pass H.R. 2471, Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022, which includes \$530 million for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA); \$10 million for the Child Abuse Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) and State Grants and Community Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) program; and \$411 million for the Social Security Administration.

U.S. Senator Bob Casey

### Act strengthens health preparedness

Key priorities have been included in the PREVENT Pandemics Act, legislation intended to strengthen the Nation's public health preparedness and response in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. The PREVENT Pandemics Act passed in the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee and is headed to the Senate floor for consideration by the full Senate. Provisions include:

The Building a Sustainable Workforce for Healthy Communities Act, which provides funding to recruit, hire and train community health workers. Studies show that community

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BY PAUL WILLISTEIN  
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May is Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes Awareness Month.

What is, or are, Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes?

Good question. It's a question I didn't know I should be asking.

It was 1979. I had a cut on my right knee that wasn't healing properly. Our family doctor, Dr. Lucian W. DiLeo, had retired. What to do?

I drove myself to the emergency ward at then Allentown-Sacred Heart Hospital, now Lehigh Valley Hospital - Cedar Crest, Salisbury Township.

Dr. Indru T. Khubchandani, who was on duty in the emergency ward, stopped at the bed. Khubchandani is a colon and rectal surgeon in Allentown.

"Do you know you have this?" he asked, displaying a page from a medical reference book he was holding.

"Have what?" I replied.

"Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes," he answered.

It explained a lot about me physically: stretchy skin, ever-present bruises on my knees and elbows and thin skin that gets cut easily.

If you see family photos from summer gatherings, I'm the boy with the elastic bandage wrapped around a knee or elbow.

I was a bit of a daredevil: hanging 10 on my Hobie skateboard on streets, popping wheelies and riding off makeshift wooden ramps on my monkey handlebar and banana-seat customized Murray bicycle, foot-steering hand-built wooden soapbox racers down hills of country roads and zooming around on a Briggs & Stratton engine-powered go-cart with racing slicks.

At Southern Lehigh Junior High School (now the district's middle school) and High School, I was in gym class wrestling, intramural basketball and on the cross-country team for two years, running 26.5 miles in practice and races. I played snare drum and cymbals in the Spartan band, marching in Halloween parades and the Philadelphia Thanksgiving Day Parade.

When I worked for two previous newspapers, I



drove in two Allentown Fair demolition derbies, winning judge's choice in a qualifying heat for the feature contest the second time I entered.

These were activities someone with a birth defect of Ehlers should probably not have done. I was undiagnosed, though.

After I was diagnosed with Ehlers at age 29, my mother was emphatic: "Oh, no. You don't have that."

Her reaction wasn't surprising. Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes was, and is not well known. Until 1997, it included 10 types of genetic connective-tissue disorders. In 2018, a 14th type was discovered.

Ehlers symptoms are loose joints, joint pain, stretchy velvety skin and abnormal scar formation. Complications include aortic dissection, joint dislocations, scoliosis, chronic pain and early osteoarthritis.

Misdiagnoses include hypochondriasis, depression and chronic fatigue syndrome.

Ehlers occurs with variations of more than 19 genes present at birth. The variations result in defects in collagen.

There is no known cure for Ehlers. Physical therapy and braces can strengthen muscles and support joints. Some forms of Ehlers result in a normal life expectancy. Those that affect blood vessels can decrease it.

The hypermobile type of Ehlers affects one in 5,000 people globally.

Excess mobility was described by Hippocrates in 400 BC. Ehlers is named after the physicians, Edvard Ehlers and Henri-Alexandre Danlos, who described the syndromes at the turn of the 20th century.

Dr. Bruce Alan Ellsweig, the doctor

whose patient I became at Lehigh Valley Health Network, asked me if he could bring an intern in to see my Ehlers symptoms during a routine medical checkup. I agreed. Ellsweig is a hospice and palliative care specialist, Hospice and Palliative Medicine, in Allentown. I am now a patient of Dr. Darryl D. Gaines at LVHN.

Years ago, I called an Ehlers Danlos support group. The person, based in Bucks County, with whom I spoke sounded as if she was using an electronic voice box. She apparently had a severe type of Ehlers. On Facebook, I friended a singer-songwriter, who has Ehlers. She's had back and neck surgery and uses a chair to assist her mobility.

Learning more about Ehlers freaked me out. I could have bleeding stomach ulcers, develop a hole in my heart and my diaphragm could flip up and I could choke to death.

Fortunately, I seem to have Classical EDS (formerly Type 1), characterized by extremely elastic skin that is fragile and bruises easily, and hypermobility of the joints.

In the vernacular, I am the India-Rubber Man. I joke that my fallback career is running away to join the circus.

Sideshow performers often have Ehlers and so do contortionists. Daniel Browning Smith, who has hypermobile Ehlers, has the Guinness World Record for the most flexible man (as of 2018). Virtuoso Niccolò Paganini may have had a form of Ehlers, since he played wider fingerings than most violinists.

Contemporary celebrities who have Ehlers include actress Jameela Jamil, writer and

actress Lena Dunham, Australian pop star Sia and Miss America 2020 Camille Schrier.

My approach has mostly been to let a sleeping malady lie. And yet it's a lie to not talk about it or write about Ehlers.

In recent years, I have followed Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes Society on Instagram. Those with Ehlers are urged to let people know they have it - this column, the first I have written for the op-ed page in the some 19 years I have been at Lehigh Valley Press.

People with Ehlers identify themselves symbolically as zebras. This is because medical students have been taught, "When you hear hoof beats behind you, don't expect to see a zebra." The zebra was chosen as a symbol because those with Ehlers are said to be "the unexpected."

Ehlers was certainly unexpected for me. I will be 72 May 17. By definition, I am handicapped. I have an application for a handicapped parking placard, but haven't as yet filed for it at the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Driver License Center, Whitehall.

I maintain a balanced diet, exercise and am in reasonably good physical health. I probably have the same number of aches and pains as most at my age.

I have learned to live with Ehlers. I switched to my left hand to use the computer mouse because my right thumb is bent and stuck, possibly from 50-plus years as a newspaper journalist, starting at age 17, banging the manual typewriter, then the electric and now the computer keys.

As you read this, I am grateful I can still type to help get the word out about Ehlers-Danlos Syndromes.

More information can be found at <https://www.ehlers-danlos.com/> <https://www.instagram.com/ehlers.danlos>.

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## DAY

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through some boxes of unsorted materials from Union veterans.

Blight unearthed a file labeled "First Decoration Day." The file held a handwritten account by a Union veteran and the date of a news article in a New York newspaper of a march by freed slaves and others around a racetrack at Washington Race Course and Jockey Club in South Carolina. During the Civil War, according to historians, the Confederate army used the location as a prison for captive Union troops. More than 250 of the captured died of disease and exposure and were buried in a mass grave behind the track's grandstands.

Soon after the war's end in April 1865, the

newly freed slaves exhumed the mass grave and reinterred the bodies in a new cemetery.

And then May 1, 1865 came and as Dave Roos, writing for the website History.com, notes, "something even more extraordinary happened."

According to news accounts of the event, approximately 10,000 people, many of whom were former slaves, gathered and paraded around the racetrack. Members of black Union regiments also marched, as did school children. Church leaders also participated.

"It's the fact that this occurred in Charleston at a cemetery site for the Union dead in a city where the Civil War had begun," Blight said in the news article by Roos. "And that it was organized and done by African American for-

mer slaves is what gives it such poignancy," Blight continued.

In an interview available online, Blight, who details the history-making happening in his book, "Race and Reunion," notes the nation had to forge and re-imagine a new union, a new nation and a new republic in the wake of the Civil War.

Memory played and continues to play a role in the process of how Memorial Day is observed.

Many local communities will mark Memorial Day with parades and ceremonies at local cemeteries to honor local heroes who have fallen in all wars.

Many readers and others may observe Memorial Day by flying an American flag at half-staff until noon and then raising the flag to full staff.

## Smoke Alarms

Smoke alarms are a key part of a home fire escape plan. When there is a fire, smoke spreads fast. Working smoke alarms give you early warning so you can get outside quickly.



### FACTS

- A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire.
- Smoke alarms should be installed on every level.
- Roughly 3 out of 5 fire deaths happen in homes with no smoke alarms.



By Emma Lazo

# Good old days

"I wish there was a way to know you're in the old days before you've actually left them."

Andy Bernard

After two years of the sense of uncertainty inflicted by COVID-19, Freedom's return to complete in-person instruction and the removal of the mask mandate added a much-needed sense of a return to normalcy. The bumpy roller coaster ride stops as we wrap up the month of May. The Freedom Family has grown strong during these crucial times, but the support, friendships, and memories make the days at Freedom "the good old days."

The journey is not over yet; we still have a couple of weeks remaining with plenty to do. On May 17, the school was closed to all students due to Primary Election Day during the school hours, but at 6:30 p.m., the Academic Awards ceremony began. Students took the Keystone Exams May 18, 19 and 20. May 19 was also the day of the Art Show.

Yearbook signing for the class of 2022 happened May 20. The following week, final exams are being administered on May 25, 26 and 27. June 3, the graduating class of 2022 will enjoy a delicious breakfast and a good time with their friends at the Senior Breakfast from 7:30 - 8:15 a.m. The moment the class of 2022 has been waiting for, graduation, will take place on Tuesday, June 7 at 7 p.m.

There is much to look forward to, but we can't forget about the great things the Patriots are currently doing. Our sports teams have been dominating lately. On May 3, the softball team beat Easton 11-0, followed by another win on May 5 against Liberty 9-8.

Boys volleyball is unstoppable. On May 3, the team won 3-0 versus Dieruff and did it again with a score of 3-0 in its Liberty game May 4. Boys and girls lacrosse continues the streak. On May 2, the boys beat Nazareth 13-5, and on May 4 beat Liberty 20-4.

The girls destroyed Liberty as well, with a score of 16-4 May 4. As all of the spring sports at Freedom come to a close, senior nights gave the senior athletes a heartwarming goodbye. Their mark will always remain on the track, field or court, no matter where life takes them.

The first two weeks of May, Advanced Placement exams occurred throughout the school days. The stress and hours of studying paid off with a sweet finish to the week with the prom. The event happened May 13; students got to spend their time eating great food and dancing the night away, meanwhile looking amazing. Thanks to the students and faculty at Freedom HS for helping to end the school year on a high note.



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A virtual reality experience housed in a trailer gave students an opportunity to participate in a Navy rescue operation while under fire.

# Naval recruiters visit Liberty HS

BY DANA GRUBB  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

U. S. Navy representatives visited Liberty HS May 3 seeking recruits in the high demand STEM areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Lieutenant Anthony Jarvis, a nearly 9-year Navy veteran, explained that the Navy gets "more bang for the buck on high school visits in recruitment." Interested students received information on career opportunities available, ROTC scholarships and were able to participate in the mobile Nimitz experience, in which high tech cutting edge virtual reality presented an opportunity to rescue U. S. Navy SEALs under enemy fire. This was followed by a debriefing session in which they received feedback and were graded.



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Interior communications electrician 2nd class surface warfare Amber Harty, a 9-year Navy veteran, explains opportunities in the U. S. Navy to several Liberty students.

# COLLEGE NOTES

## Cedar Crest College

### New career-focused online courses added

Cedar Crest College has announced the addition of seven new, career-focused online programs. The new offerings include minors, certificates and concentrations available through a partnership with Rize Education and the Lower Cost Models for Independent Colleges Consortium.

LCMC provides online access to courses that have been developed in conjunction with faculty experts at leading academic institutions, including Harvard and Duke University, and with key industry partners, such as Google. The Consortium incorporates over 120 participating institutions.

The new programs include Certified Financial Planning: Concentration (Accounting and Business Administration majors only) and Stand-Alone Post-Bachelor's Certificate; Computer Science: minor (open to all); Cybersecurity: minor (open to all) and Concentration (Business Administration and Criminal Justice majors only); Data Analytics: minor (open to all) and Concentration (Business Administration and Criminal Justice majors only); Digital Marketing: minor (open to all) and Concentration (Business Administration and Media Studies majors only); Project Management: Concentration (Accounting and Business Administration majors only) and Stand-Alone Post-Secondary Certificate; and Web Design: minor (open to all) and Concentration (Business Administration and Media Studies majors only).

Cedar Crest College is located at 2400 Chew St., Allentown. For information, visit cedarcrest.edu/news or call the Admissions Office at 610-740-3780.

## Muhlenberg College

### New scholarships available for graduate students

Muhlenberg College School of Graduate Studies announced the formation of the new Mules Advantage Graduate Scholarship and Dean's Graduate Scholarship. These scholarships represent Muhlenberg's first such initiatives for students pursuing graduate degrees at the college.

The Mules Advantage Scholarship, equivalent to 15 percent of the total cost of each program, is open to all Muhlenberg alumni and is applied to each course. It is available to students enrolling in the Master's in Applied Analytics or the Master's in Organizational Leadership degree programs.

The Dean's Graduate Scholarship is awarded to up to six students each semester based on a combination of undergraduate academic performance, career or extracurricular achievements or need. Those chosen will receive \$500 per semester in tuition assistance. For application information, please contact Dr. David Donnelly, dean of graduate studies, at 484-664-4445 or daviddonnelly@muhlenberg.edu.

Muhlenberg College, main campus, is located at 2400 Chew St., Allentown. For more information, visit muhlenberg.edu/graduatescholarships, or contact the School of Graduate Studies at graduatescholarships@muhlenberg.edu or call 484-664-4445.



BASD technology integration specialist Evon Zundel participates in the virtual reality experience to better understand how it is used.



Senior John Notchey tests his conditioning on the chin-up bar during the recruiting visit.

# Dept. of Ed: Free new ebooks available

The Pennsylvania Department of Education recently announced Pennsylvania's public electronic library, POWER Library, has acquired 350 new e-books for users to explore, bringing the total of available titles to approximately 20,000.

"Through POWER Library, Pennsylvanians have access to e-content to supplement K-12 education and higher education," Deputy Secretary for the Office of Commonwealth Libraries Susan Banks said. "This is an effective way to provide equitable access to resources for Pennsylvanians via internet and devices, because schools and people without a dedicated public library can access all of these titles online through POWER Library."

The 350 new titles are available in the subject areas of diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging; mental health and

STEM (science, technology, engineering and math).

All e-books are viewable on screen and many are available for download and offline viewing.

The e-books are available on the POWER Library website in Find E-resources under the following categories EBSCO E-books, Gale E-books and ProQuest E-book Central.

Users will be prompted to enter a public library card number to

access them, but those without a library card can sign up for an e-card for immediate access.

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health workers can better identify and address the specific health needs of their communities, promote healthy behavior and reduce hospitalization.

### LANTA gets Rescue Plan funds

The Lehigh and Northampton Transportation Authority (LANTA) will receive \$12,544,967 in new funding from the American Rescue Plan. The American Rescue Plan, passed in March 2021, provided relief to families, businesses, local governments and others to help ease the burdens of the COVID-19 pandemic.

### Bill curbs oil company profiteering

With gas prices rising in recent days against a backdrop of continued Russian aggression in Eastern Europe, Casey joined

his Senate colleagues in introducing the Big Oil Windfall Profits Tax Act proposal to curb profiteering by oil companies and provide Americans relief at the gas pump. This legislation would impose a new excise tax on oil extracted or imported by large oil corporations, and revenue raised from a tax on the windfall profits of these companies would be returned to consumers in the form of a quarterly rebate.

### Anti-union busting act proposed

Casey is one of five senators to introduce the No Tax Breaks for Union Busting Act to end the taxpayer subsidization of corporate union busting campaigns. As workers around the country join together to fight for better pay and safer working conditions by unionizing, they often face million-dollar corporate intimidation campaigns to prevent unionization. To add insult to injury, corporations are allowed to write off these anti-unionization efforts as run-of-the-mill business expenses.

The No Tax Breaks for Union Busting Act would end the taxpayer subsidization of anti-union activity by corporations.

The bill would classify businesses' interference in worker organization campaigns like political speech under the tax code and therefore not tax deductible. Activities denied a deduction would include both unlawful attempts to influence employees, and lawful activities that nonetheless should not be subsidized by taxpayers. These include violations of the National Labor Relations Act, so-called "captive audience meetings" - where employers hold mandatory meetings during work hours and pressure employees against joining a union or interrogate workers—and million-dollar anti-union advertising campaigns around union organization elections.

### Support given for women's health act

Casey recently spoke of his support for the then upcoming vote on the Women's Health Protection Act: "I will again vote yes to advance debate on the Women's Health Protection Act and I will support the bill if there is a vote on final passage in the future. In the nearly three months since the Senate last voted on the Women's Health Protection Act, the circumstances around the entire debate on abortion have changed. In light of the leaked Supreme Court decision draft overturning Roe v. Wade, and subsequent reports that Republicans in the U.S. House and Senate will introduce legislation to enact a nationwide six-week ban, the real question of the moment is: do you support a categorical ban on abortion? During my time in public office, I have never voted for - nor do I support - such a ban."

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## Mayfair returns bigger and better to Cedar Crest College, Allentown



BY KATHY LAUER-WILLIAMS  
Special to The Press

Mayfair Festival of the Arts returns to Cedar Crest College in Allentown for the Memorial Day Weekend to kick off summer with a free family festival full of activities, artists, performers and food vendors.

Mayfair promises much that is familiar from favorite area bands to popular foods, as well as some things that are new.

The festival will run 4 - 10 p.m. May 27 and noon - 10 p.m. May 28 - 29 on Cedar Crest's tree-lined campus. There is free parking on-site.

Popular bands from prior years are returning to the Main Stage, including Philadelphia Funk Authority, Large Flowerheads, Jimmy and the Parrots, Go Go Gadget and Sofa Kings.

New this year by audience request is country rock band Reservoir Hill.

Also new to the festival this year is Camp-Connect1D, a free camp for children with Type 1 diabetes.

The camp, which runs 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. May 29 was created by Cedar



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Crest College School of Nursing to connect members of the Type 1 diabetes community in the Lehigh Valley with other families, allies, role models and resources.

The camp will feature games, crafts and an appearance by Mandy Marquardt, a Pro Track Cyclist for Team Novo Nordisk and USA Cycling National Team member who is diabetic. The camp will also feature Mitch and Carly Lettner from the Team Carly Rocks Foundation, a non-profit organization that promotes fitness as a way to manage diabetes and a visit from Miss Pennsylvania Meghan Sinisi.

To register: type1dm@

cedarcrest.edu

Mayfair will host an Artist Market featuring more crafts with 36 artists in Lee's Hall and outdoors on the lawn, including nine artists in action who will demonstrate their work.

The artists offer a variety of handmade items, including jewelry, home décor, fine art, photography fabric art, resin tables, wood carving, candles and sign art.

Some highlights include quilted table runners, wall hangings, doll clothing, wood bowls, cutting boards and coasters by Beth & Dot's Boutique; artisan soap and body care products by Noraa Body Love; fine photography

by Amy's Angle Nature Photography; sterling silver jewelry by Wellington Metal and Gem; wooden ornaments, vases, bowls and utensils by The Woolly Woodworker; macrame coasters, planters and wall hangings by Wild Honey and Gold; napkins, table runners and kitchen towels by Alphie and Olive; gemstone jewelry by Skyseeds; gourmet wine slushy mixes by Nectar of the Vine; scented candles by LilyBean Cottage Scents; original oil paintings by Alley Arts, and jewelry made from gemstones, crystals, meteorites, fossils and minerals by Pam Smith Jewelry Design.

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Jarrod Yuskas



Chase Fontenot

## NCC summer theater dances back on stage with 'Footloose' musical

### CURTAIN RISES

By Kathy Lauer-Williams



It's been two years since Northampton Community College's Summer Theatre has been able to have a season and William Mutimer, artistic producing director, is excited to be back on stage.

"It's been a long while since we could say this, but we are actively gearing up for our summer season," Mutimer says.

The NCC summer season was not held in 2021 and 2020 because of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic shutdown.

Opening up the season at the Bethlehem Township college campus is "Footloose: The Musical," June 1 - 12, Lipkin Theatre.

Mutimer directs the musical about Ren, a high school student who moves to a small town that has banned dancing in the wake of a local tragedy.

"It is an interesting story about grief and loss and how it alters peoples' perceptions," Mutimer says.

The story is inspired by the true tale of the small rural town of Elmore City, OK, which had an 80-year-old ban on dancing. When students asked the school board to hold a prom, a local pentecostal pastor opposed the request on the grounds that it would lead to drinking and sex. The ban was finally lifted in 1979.

After reading the news story, actor and songwriter Dean Pitchford, who played "Pip-

pin" on Broadway, wrote the screenplay for the movie "Footloose." With music by Pitchford, Kenny Loggins, Tom Snow and others, "Footloose," starring Kevin Bacon, was a hit in 1984.

The musical version of the film opened on Broadway in 1998.

"This is a show about rights being challenged and who has the right to say what we can and cannot do," Mutimer says.

The score includes the hits, "Let's Hear It for the Boy" and the title song, nominated for Academy Awards.

"It's a really fun show. We guarantee you'll be dancing in the aisles," Mutimer says.

The cast includes Equity actors from across the country as well as college students and budding local actors, Mutimer says.

Chase Fontenot, a musical theater student at Montclair State University, plays Ren McCormack.

Lehigh Valley actor Jarrod Yuskas, head of the Moravian Academy drama department, is Rev. Shaw Moore, a role he was cast in in 2019.

New York City actors Emma Flynn and Nancy Barry play the roles of Ariel Moore and Vi Moore, respectively.

The cast includes Beth Marquardt, Trish Steele, Juanita Shockley-Grey, Madeline Gambone, Charlie Leonard, Noah Deter, Daniel J. Hurt, Jadon Lopez, Geri Kerry, Harrison Sakai, Maxwell J. Wetherhold, Michael Mottram, Nathan An-

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Philadelphia Funk Authority, 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. May 27, Main Stage, Mayfair Festival of the Arts, May 27-29, Cedar Crest College, Allentown

## The sounds of Mayfair

BY KATHY LAUER-WILLIAMS  
Special to The Press

One of the highlights of Mayfair Festival of the Arts, May 27-29, Cedar Crest College, Allentown, is the music.

The free festival which serves as the unofficial kickoff for summer is featuring more than 20 performers and bands at its two stages over the three-day event.

Opening the festival May 27 on the Main

Stage are the Rogue Diplomats, with traditional Irish music infused with contemporary American folk, and headliner Philadelphia Funk Authority, a dance party band featuring funk, rhythm and blues and soul.

New this year, the Bandstand Stage will be tented to accommodate larger acts. In previous years the secondary stage hosted mainly solo

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## Sunflowers display support for Ukraine

As a symbol of their support for Ukraine, gardeners may consider adding sunflowers to their garden this year.

Ukraine and the Russian Federation are the largest producers of sunflower oil.

Sunflowers originated in the New World, first cultivated by Native Americans in the area that is now New Mexico and Arizona. Spanish explorers introduced sunflowers to Europe around 1500 AD.

Sunflower oil gained popularity in Ukraine and Russia in the mid-1700s when the Russian Orthodox Church banned lard, butter and

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olive oil during Lent. Do sunflowers follow the sun? Yes and no.

Young sunflowers face east in the morning, move their heads westward during the day before turning to face east again overnight.

This movement, called heliotropism, is actually a result of the stems elongating on different sides at different times of day.

When the sunflower matures, the stem stiff-

ens and the flowers will continually face east.

The sunflower's main goal is to perpetuate itself by producing seeds. Facing east provides optimal warming of the flower head, which makes it more attractive to pollinators.

Sunflowers are an annual, best grown from seed planted outdoors after all danger of frost is past, typically in late spring, once the ground is nice and warm.

Since sunflowers are annuals, they are good plants to experiment within the garden without the cost, location considerations, or maintenance of perennials.

After an exceptionally mild winter, a few sunflowers have been known to re-seed from last year's crop. Most sunflowers germinate when the soil has reached 70 to 85 degrees Fahrenheit.

The best time to plant sunflowers is just before the soil reaches this temperature. Look for a ground temp of between 60 to 70 degrees. Choose an area with well-drained soil and full sun: at least six hours per day.

Spacing is determined by the type of sunflower. Follow the planting guidelines on the seed packet. Choose



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The sunflower is an annual plant with a large daisy-like flower face.

a spot that is sheltered from wind. Even if they are grown in a sheltered location, you may have to stake very tall cultivars, especially as the heavy flower heads form. Supplemental water may be needed, especially around bloom time. They grow so

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# 'The Duke' and Kempton

**AT THE MOVIES**  
By Paul Willistein  
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"The Duke" is a whodunit. Except we know from the start who did it. Or do we?

"The Duke" is about the theft of a valuable Goya painting by an elderly British man. The film is based on a true story that happened in 1961 when "The Duke of Wellington" (circa 1812-14), a painting by Francisco de Goya (1746-1828), was stolen from The National Gallery, London, England, allegedly by Kempton Bunton.

"The Duke" is directed by Roger Michell ("Blackbird," 2019; "My Cousin Rachel," 2017; "Hyde Park on Hudson," 2012; "Morning Glory," 2010; "Venus," 2006;

"Notting Hill," 1999) from a screenplay by Richard Bean and Clive Coleman (their theatrical feature film screenplay debuts).

Michell directs at a leisurely pace that works well for the actors and storyline. The cinematography by director of photography Mike Eley is documentary-style with some nice flourishes. The score by George Fenton (four-time Oscar nominee, including "The Fisher King," 1991; "Dangerous Liaisons," 1988; "Cry Freedom," 1987; "Gandhi," 1982) supports the film's overall elegance.

The screenplay puts the courtroom trial at the end of the film. There's a reason for that. No spoilers here. Stay to the very end of "The Duke" and all will be explained.

Jim Broadbent (sup-

porting actor Oscar recipient, "Iris," 2001; with some 167 acting credits on IMDB) has a jolly good time in the role of Kempton Bunton. That's his real name.

Bunton (1904 - 1976) was the London cabbie accused of stealing the Goya painting of "The Duke of Wellington." Bunton was an aspiring unsuccessful playwright. Bunton advocated for free TV when a fee was charged for BBC telecasts.

Helen Mirren (actress Oscar recipient, "The Queen," 2006) gives as good as she gets as Dorothy, the sassy wife of Bunton. The scenes between Broadbent and Mirren make the film worthwhile.

The title, "The Duke," not only refers to "The Duke of Wellington" painting, but is a metaphor for Kempton Bun-



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Helen Mirren (Dorothy Bunton), Jim Broadbent (Kempton Bunton) with Goya painting, "The Duke of Wellington," in the film, "The Duke."

ton and his way with the world and, most especially, his relationship with his wife. Being charged with the theft of a valuable painting apparently works as marriage therapy, but I wouldn't recommend it.

Broadbent's scenes with Fionn Whitehead ("Dunkirk," 2017), who makes an impression as Bunton's son, Jackie, are also excellent. Jack Bandeira (Kenny, brother of Jackie) is memorable as a tough small-time

criminal.

"The Duke" was delayed from a scheduled 2020 release because of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic shutdown. The director of "The Duke," John Michell, died in 2021. "The Duke" is the final theatrical motion picture that Michell directed.

"The Duke" is in the tradition of films about delightfully, and frustratingly, eccentric elderly persons. Think "Harry and Tonto"

(1974), for which Art Carney received a lead actor Oscar; "The Sunshine Boys" (1975), starring Walter Matthau and George Burns, receiving a supporting actor Oscar, and "Grumpy Old Men" (1993), starring Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau.

"The Duke" will be of chief interest for fans of British eccentricity, Jim Broadbent, "Downton

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## MAYFAIR

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The festival has added more workshops, which organizers say have been a hit with festival-goers.

This year there are five workshops, including the popular fairy garden workshop.

New is a "Nature Photography Walk and Talk" workshop, 3 - 5 p.m. May 28.

Amy Langman, owner of Amy's Angle Nature Photography, will lead photographers around the Cedar Crest campus to Cedar Creek Park and the Rose Garden. Those interested should meet in Lee's Hall and wear comfortable footwear. The rain date is May 29.

Learn the art of fluid painting at the "Paint Pouring" workshop, 4 - 6 p.m. May 28, Harmon Hall.

Oneness Art Studio will lead attendees in paint-pouring techniques to complete two canvases. No artistic skills or painting experience required.

Discover the centuries-old Japanese form of garden art at the "Kokedama" workshop, 1 - 2 p.m. May 29, Harmon Hall.

Similar to bonsai, Kokedama involves wrapping a plant's roots in a ball of soil which



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is covered with moss and fixed to a platform, or suspended in the air with a string. Bring gloves since the workshop involves working with mud.

Bring your own beer and create a painting of poppy fields at the "Paint and Sip" workshop, 4 - 6 p.m. May 29, Harmon Hall.

Make a miniature fairy garden in a two-tier clay pot with Wee Folk Gardens at the "Fairy Garden" workshop, 1 - 2 p.m. May 28, Harmon Hall.

Workshops charge a fee and require advance registration.

LV Rocks will set up a rock-climbing wall for those looking for a physical challenge.

There will be plenty to eat with popular local

food stands returning, including Bull and Bear Restaurant, Heaven On A Bun, Take a Taco, Puerto Rican Culture Association, Caribbean Island Cuisine and JR's London Broil and E-Z Concessions.

Kettle corn, frozen banana whip, pie in an ice cream cone and shaved ice are some of the sweet treats that will be available from Ski's Hawaiian Shaved Ice, Pie In A Cone, Merry Poppins Kettle Corn, Bananarama and Ce-Ce's Lemonade.

There will be a selection of beer and wine from Franklin Hill Vineyards for purchase by those over 21.

There is no face mask requirement. Social distancing and hand washing will be encouraged.

## SOUNDS

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performers and smaller acts.

Opening the Bandstand Stage May 27 is string band Golden Twine, which mixes folk and acoustic roots music with Grateful Dead influenced jam bluegrass. Also playing May 27 is Mark DeRose & The Dreadnoughts with a soulful roots rock sound.

A new band to Mayfair is country-rock band Reservoir Hill playing the Main Stage May 28. The band co-founded by Allentown friends Dylan Flaherty and Brad Kramer features original lyrically-driven songs influenced by The Zac Brown Band, The Allman Brothers and Tom Petty and The Heartbreakers.

Headlining the Main Stage May 28 is GoGo Gadget, which combines traditional instruments with modern synthesizers and controllers for a modern show.

Also on May 28, the Erin Kelly Band headlines the Bandstand Stage with classic rock and country music.

May 29 is party day at the Main Stage with a lineup of the groovy 1960s sounds of The Large Flowerheads, Jimmy Buffet cover band Jimmy and the Parrots and dance



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Reservoir Hill, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. May 28, Main Stage, Mayfair Festival of the Arts, May 27-29, Cedar Crest College, Allentown

band The Sofa Kings.

Billy Bauer Band will bring contemporary jams and DMC Duo will play acoustic pop, and country music to close out the Bandstand Stage May 29.

**Schedule**

**May 27**

**Main Stage**  
4 p.m. - 6 p.m., Rogue Diplomats

7 p.m. - 10 p.m., Philadelphia Funk Authority

**Bandstand Stage**  
4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., Golden Twine

5:45 p.m. - 6:45 p.m., Tap Ties

7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m., Mark DeRose & The Dreadnoughts

**May 28**

**Main Stage**  
Noon - 1 p.m., Super-sonic Godfathers

1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m., BC Blue

4 p.m. - 6 p.m., Reservoir Hill

7 p.m. - 10 p.m., Go Go Gadget

**Bandstand Stage**  
Noon - 2 p.m., Alumnae Dance Studios

2:30 p.m. - 4 p.m., The Castaway Band

4:45 p.m. - 6:15 p.m., The Renewals

7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Erin Kelly Band

**May 29**

**Main Stage**  
Noon - 2 p.m., Large Flowerheads

3 p.m. - 6 p.m., Jimmy and the Parrots

7 p.m. - 10 p.m., Sofa Kings

**Bandstand Stage**  
Noon - 1:30 p.m., B.U. Studios

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## LCCC

Clay Shoot benefit

Lehigh Carbon Community College (LCCC) hosts the 18th Annual LCCC Foundation Scholarship Clay Shoot, June 17, Lehigh Valley Sporting Clays, Coplay.

Registration, which is open to the public, includes 100 rounds of clay shooting, shells for the event, continental breakfast, awards and a pig roast lunch. Participants receive a commemorative souvenir and may purchase extra tickets for

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## Graduation time for invitations, parties

Dear Jacquelyn,  
My son is graduating from high school soon. Between the announcements, ceremony and party, I am feeling overwhelmed with where to begin. When do you send graduation announcements and when should party invitations be sent?

**RESPECTFULLY YOURS**  
By Jacquelyn Youst



invited to attend: "Please join us," the address and time, as well as an RSVP.

Many high schools limit the number of attendees at graduation ceremonies because of space limitations. You can simply explain, "We'd love to have you, but we're limited by the number of tickets." Most people will understand if there is limited seating.

Invitations to the graduation ceremony can be sent up to four weeks in advance.

Graduation announcements give word that your child is receiv-

ing their high school diploma. Your friends and family get to share in your family's exciting news.

A great rule to go by when creating your announcement guest list is: Send graduation announcements to anyone your family who you would send a holiday card to. There will not be any details about the ceremony or reception because it's not an invitation to attend.

Graduation announcements are mailed two weeks following the graduation. The reason is because they are to inform others that your child graduated, not that they are about to graduate.

If the graduation announcement will double as an invitation to the graduation ceremony, it should be sent at least

three weeks before the graduation ceremony.

Graduation party invitations should be sent to friends and family several weeks before the date. Send invitations for the graduation party in the mail as opposed to electronically.

The most important etiquette of all for graduates and their families: enjoy this milestone and celebrate!

Respectfully Yours,  
Jacquelyn

*Have a question? Email: jacquelyn@ptd.net. Jacquelyn Youst is owner of the Pennsylvania Academy of Protocol, specializing in etiquette training. She is on the board of directors of the National Civility Foundation.*

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## Must we all be the same?

Birds of a feather flock together, or so we're told.

If that's true, does that mean we humans tend to like being with people just like us?

Or, is it true when they say opposites attract?

Maybe your answer will be like mine. It's a little bit of both.

I think it's obvious that many seem to seek being with people that think like them and act like them. Even vote like them.

Lately, I've heard a quite a few people admit they are far more comfortable being with those that appear to be like them.

Oh my, since when have we gotten to the point where everyone needs to be the same and think the same, especially about politics?

Hey, I'm so old that I remember a time when no one asked me my political party. Even in a presidential election no one asked me for whom I voted.

In our lively newsroom we all came from different backgrounds but only one woman expressed staunch political viewpoints. I looked up to her because she was a great mentor for me. But she could never convert my viewpoints.

Once, when she drove us to a news conference five hours away, she spent much of that time telling me why I was wrong to say I didn't vote party. I voted for the best candidate.

Thankfully, our newsroom was always a great place for exchanging ideas but we had a high tolerance for diverse opinions. In fact, I think we all cherished our differences.

That's not often the case today.

One woman went so far as to say she met an interesting guy on a dating site but refuses to get together with him. Why? She learned he didn't share her political beliefs.

This "we all need to think the same" sometimes carries over to religion.

On Moody radio the other day I heard a well known pastor claim it's at the point today where even those who share the same faith and same church have friction about major differences of opinion.

No problem there. The problem comes, I believe, when we expect others to share the same beliefs.

When my cousin Louise married Briant, they had major religious differences. They vowed to stay in their own churches and never expect the other one to change.

All during their 52-year-old marriage, they were not birds of a feather that flocked together for any and all occasions.

Yet Louise will tell you they were alike in all the important ways.

I read a magazine headline the other day that proclaimed in big headlines "Opposites Attract."

The story was mostly about couples that were drawn to each other because of their differences.

Do you think that's the case with most couples?

**WARMEST REGARDS**

By Pattie Mihalik  
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Was it true with you? Or, did you pick a partner that was basically like you?

When I first met my husband Andy I knew a lot about him because we grew up in same small town. After we graduated from college, from the time we first saw each other on top of a burning roof when we were both working as journalists we both knew we would be life partners. Yet, no personal words were spoken as we covered the fire.

Hard to believe, I know.

That night Andy and several of my friends came to my house to watch Andy's fire coverage on WDAU television. After they left I asked my mother what she thought of Andy.

I told her I was going to marry him. A year later, that's exactly what happened. We both found the person we were waiting for.

On occasion, someone said Andy and I were opposites. Not true.

It just seemed that way to some because I was always an outgoing extrovert and Andy was a quiet introvert.

While I was much more action oriented and he was much more cerebral, we were alike in all the important ways. We definitely were birds of a feather, happy together.

We had 41½ great years together before he passed away.

Six years later, when I met David what attracted me was something I would never have looked for before I retired — We both enjoyed the same active lifestyle. We are both kayak enthusiasts, bikers, and dancers. Best of all, we both thrive on outdoor activities.

What I learned is that sharing the same interests is so important as we age, especially in retirement. Well, at least that's true for me.

According to sociologists, it's true for many couples that find their compatibility in retirement wanes if they don't have things they enjoy together.

When we're busy working and raising a family, that's not as important. It's only when we have the benefit of leisure time in retirement that a couple's differences become apparent.

My friend Jane says that's far from true. She and her partner do little together except their weekly restaurant dinner with friends.

And that's just the way she likes it.

"He has his golf. I have my time with my girlfriends. We are both happy this way," she says.

Jane is right that it's mutual respect and the way they treat each other that's the most important thing in a relationship.

Being opposites or being birds of a feather isn't nearly as important as a loving relationship.

Contact Pattie Mihalik at newsgirl@comcast.net.

## 'The Family Project' column discontinued

The Lehigh Valley Press Focus section is discontinuing "The Family Project" column. "The Family Project" parenting advice column started as a collaboration with Project Child, the Child Abuse Prevention Agency of the Lehigh Valley.

For 20 years, "The Family Project" answered readers' questions about parenting topics, ranging from potty-training to defiant teens.

Project Child existed under the umbrella of Valley Youth House Committee for more than two decades. Fewer grants and other funding for Project Child changed the focus of

Valley Youth House to other programs.

Without the support of Project Child, "The Family Project" column concluded with the publication of the May 4, 2022, column in the Lehigh Valley Press Focus newspaper section and on the website.

The column received the Michael A. O'Pake

Memorial Award for media public service from the Pennsylvania Family Support Alliance in 2013.

The Lehigh Valley Press thanks "The Family Project" panelists for their contributions to the column and Kathy Lauer-Williams and the late Carole Gorney for compiling the column.

## Some moves to avoid motion sickness

**Q. What causes motion sickness?**

Many people, including me, suffer nausea when traveling by boat, car or airplane. It also happens on rides in amusement parks and playgrounds.

The symptoms of motion sickness are caused by conflicting messages arriving at the central nervous system.

Different parts of your body let your brain know where you are and what you're doing. The inner ears let you know if you're turning, or moving forward-backward, side-to-side, and up-and-down.

The eyes also monitor the directions of motion and where the body is in space, such as upside down. Skin pressure receptors tell you what part of the body is touching the ground. The muscle and joint sensory receptors tell what parts of the body are moving.

If all the signals tell the same story, there are no problems. However, suppose you're below deck in a heaving sea. Your body is getting information that the boat is moving violently. But your eyes see the

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unmoving walls of your cabin. If you are susceptible to motion sickness, this below-deck scenario is almost guaranteed to make you look for a porthole to get rid of your last meal.

How about the example of reading in the car? Well, your body is picking up all kinds of cues that you're in motion, but your eyes see only the unmoving pages of your book.

Here are some tips to avoid motion sickness:

- Always ride where your eyes will see the same motion that your body senses. For example, sit in the front seat of the car and look out the windshield to distant scenery. Don't stare at the rapidly passing telephone poles outside the passenger window. I prefer driving so I am forced to look straight ahead.

- If you're on a boat, go up on deck and watch the horizon. Request a cabin in the middle of

the ship where there is less movement than fore and aft. Get a cabin that has a veranda or porthole so you can look at the horizon.

- On an airplane, sit by the window and look outside. Also, choose a seat over the wings where there is the least motion. Direct the air vent at your face.

- On a train, take a seat near the front and next to a window. Face forward.

- Minimize head movement.

- Avoid strong odors and spicy or greasy foods immediately before and during your travel. Don't overeat.

- Don't smoke or sit near smokers.

- Before your travel begins, take motion sickness medicine recommended by your physician. There are over-the-counter drugs. There is also prescription medicine in an adhesive patch or in oral form.

There are other treatments for motion sickness that may benefit some people, but they have not been proven to be consistently effective. High levels of ginger have helped some.

## GREEN

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quickly that there is little reason to start sunflowers indoors.

Here are categories of sunflower cultivars to consider:

**Tall:** These varieties are usually described as growing to at least 6 feet, sometimes double that height. They are usually the best for harvesting seed, although birds will try to beat you to them. Tall cultivars include:

Mammoth, Mongolian Giant and Black Oil Hybrid.

**Branching:** These cultivars have many flowers on short branches that are still long enough to cut for bouquets. Pinching off new growth close to a leaf node will encourage their tendency to branch. Some of these varieties are bred to have little or no pollen, a plus when they are placed indoors in a vase. For your sunflowers to benefit the environ-

ment, look for cultivars that do bear pollen. Branching sunflowers with pollen include: Firecracker, Autumn Beauty and Valentine.

**Unusual colors, forms:** The classic sunflower has yellow petals surrounding a dark brown disc. Cultivars are available in shades ranging from cream to mahogany, for example: Chianti (dark red), So-roya (orange), Ring of Fire (bicolored petals). The popular Teddy Bear sunflower looks like a

shaggy yellow pompom-on-a-stick. Though a novel form, it is not beneficial to pollinators.

**Dwarf:** Sunflowers are even hybridized to grow well in small spaces and containers. Look for Dwarf Sunspot, Elves Blend, Junior or Sunray Yellow.

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The Transfer Pathways agreement offers benefits to LCCC grad-

uates, including LCCC credit equivalencies; scholarship opportunities up to \$2,500, based on student eligibility, and waiver of application fees.

Employees at LCCC can take advantage of the pathway to a bachelor's degree or professional development.

WGU degree programs include: account-

ing, business, computer science, cybersecurity, education, information technology and nursing.

Since 2018, there have been 91 LCCC students who transferred to WGU.

For information on the transfer program to Western Governors University: Fauzia Graham, LCCC transfer advisor, fgraham@lccc.edu.



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## St. Paul's UCC has spring bazaar



PRESS PHOTOS BY CHRISTOPHER BOUCHER

St. Paul's United Church of Christ hosted its first spring bazaar on May 21. This is the first one to be held in the warmer months with vendors from the surrounding Trexlertown area.



In addition to the goods and crafts offered, St. Paul's also hosted a silent auction of baskets offered by members of the congregation.



St. Paul's UCC, Trexlertown spring bazaar featured many different homemade crafts such as handmade pillows and jewelry, hats for cats and dogs, soaps that smell like flowers and coffee, and acrylic artwork.



**'FOOTLOOSE'**

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gelo, Josh Crowley, Cade Kocher, Connor Sternberg, Deja Breitfeller, Katie Gilhooley, Sienna Rahatt, Brandon Costanzo, Andy Van Antwerp and Michael Sheridan.

sical director. Tina Williams is choreographer. Brett Oliveira doing scenic and lighting design. Performances are 7:30 p.m. June 1 - 4, 8 - 11, and 2 p.m. June 5 and 12.

The NCC summer season includes:

"Jeffrey," Paul Rudnick's play about a gay man living in New York


City who falls in love after swearing off relationships., June 15 - 26, Norman Roberts Lab Theatre "Something Rotten!," the musical comedy set in 1595 follows the Bottom brothers, Nick and Nigel, who struggle to find success in the theatrical world as they compete with the wild popularity

of their contemporary William Shakespeare, June 29 - July 17, Lipkin Theatre

"Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day," based on Judith Viorst's classic book of the same title, July 13 - Aug. 6, Norman Roberts Lab Theatre "Rent," Jonathan Lar-

son's Tony Award and Pulitzer Prize-winning rock musical loosely based on Puccini's 1896 opera La Boheme, follows a group of impoverished young artists in Lower Manhattan's East Village under the shadow of HIV-AIDS, July 27 - Aug. 7, Lipkin Theatre. The wearing of face

masks is optional. Tickets: [nctix.org](http://nctix.org) "Curtain Rises" is a column about the theater, stage shows, the actors in them and the directors and artists who make them happen. To request coverage, email: [Paul.Willistein@focusonline.com](mailto:Paul.Willistein@focusonline.com)




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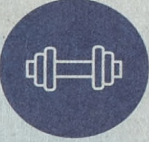
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# People are 'Strange'

**AT THE MOVIES**  
By Paul Willistein  
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"Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness" sounds like the name of a traveling circus sideshow.

The Marvel Cinematic Universe (MCU) is a big tent pole of films. The 28th MCU film, "Doctor Strange," flies off in the direction of Harry Potter.

Doctor Strange is no sorcerer's apprentice.

He's said to be at the height of his powers in the "Multiverse of Madness."

Marvel Cinematic Universe fans will need to be at the height of their powers to figure out all of the character and plot threads, and I'm not only referring to Doctor Strange's cape, er, cloak. He corrects someone in the film about that. "It's a cloak, not a cape," Doctor Strange seethes.

Benedict Cumberbatch (Doctor Stephen Strange), reprising his role from "Doctor Strange" (2016), wears it well. With touches of gray on the sides of his slick black hair and his intense pale blue eyes, Cumberbatch is compelling in the high-collared red cloak of levitation that rivals Vegas Elvis or Billy Porter at the Met Gala.

Courtesy of CGI, Doctor Strange floats, twirls, tumbles and flies. Too often, though, Doctor Strange stands in one spot waving his arms and hands gracefully. However fascinating it is to see flames, rings and who know what shoot from his hands as he does his Shazam! thing, it creates a limited range for Cumber-

batch who, ever the consummate actor, relies on his expressive face, with those ever-observant eyes, and an internal logic that he wears on his sleeve to surmount the character as written.

Again, courtesy CGI, Cumberbatch is helped immensely by the madness swirling around him. He and the rest of the characters plunge headlong from one fantastic world to another, with shifting planes, platforms and depictions of at least three different Earths, one of pastel flowers where My Little Pony would feel right at home.

It's difficult to do justice in attempting to describe the images in the "Multiverse of Madness," but they are eye-popping, no more so than in an early scene when Doctor Strange battles a one-eyed cyclops right out of a cheesy 1950s' science-fiction film.

Doctor Strange encounters huge stone-like creatures guarding a temple and, this being a film directed by Sam Raimi (director, "Evil Dead," 1981; "Evil Dead II," 1987; "Spider-Man," 2002; "Spider-Man 2," 2004; "Spider-Man 3," 2007), a squadron of ashen, ghost-like creatures are soon zooming around him.

Though Cumberbatch as Doctor Strange rightly dominates the movie, he has memorable sidekicks and adversaries. While the movie has amazing special effects and CGI, there are noteworthy scenes between the main characters in the feature film debut screenplay by Michael Waldron (TV's "Loki," 2021; Daytime Emmy recipient, animated program, TV's "Rick and Morty," 2013).

There's clever dialogue ("I love you. I

love you in every universe.") between Cumberbatch and Elizabeth Olsen (Wanda Maximoff), bringing her "WandaVision" (2021) streamer game to the role; and with Benedict Wong (Wong); Rachel McAdams (Dr. Christine Palmer); Chiwetel Ejiofor (Baron Mordo), and especially with Xochitl Gomez (America Chavez), who has a refreshing believable screen presence.

Look for John Krasinski (Reed Richards), Anson Mount (Black Bolt) and Patrick Stewart (Professor Charles Xavier), the latter motoring about in the bright yellow hover chair that looks like a personal Zamboni.

Composer Danny Elfman matches the screen imagery with a powerful score.

The multiverse is another way of using time travel as a plot device. I am not that well-versed in the Multiverse, nor the Marvel characters. Apparently, multitudes are well-versed in the Multiverse because "Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness" had an opening weekend theatrical domestic box office of \$187 million, second only in the Covid era, to the March 22, 2022, opening weekend of \$260 million for "Spider-Man: No Way Home," and the 11th best all-time opening. The No. 1 biggest opening weekend all-time record is held by "Avengers: Endgame" (2019), with \$357 million.

If you're a fan of the Marvel Cinematic Universe, Benedict Cumberbatch or Sam Raimi, this "Multiverse" is for you.

"Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness," MPAA rated PG-13 (Parents Strongly Cautioned:



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From left: Xochitl Gomez (America Chavez), Benedict Wong (Wong), Benedict Cumberbatch (Doctor Stephen Strange), "Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness."

Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.) for intense sequences of violence and action, frightening images and some language; Genre: Action, Adventure, Science-Fiction, Fantasy, Horror; Run time: 2 hours six minutes. Distributed by Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures.

**Credit Readers**

**Anonymous:** Sam Raimi movie stalwart Bruce Campbell (Pizza Poppa) appears in what amounts to a cameo in and during the closing credits. Also, in a closing credits scene, Doctor Strange heads toward the Dark Dimension, led by no less than Clea (Charlize Theron). The film concludes with the statement: "Doctor Strange will return." Oh, and by the way, it's the fifth MCU film in a row, "Black Widow," "Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings," "Eternals," "Spider-Man: No Way Home," all 2021, to be denied a release certificate in China. So much for the China market.

**At The Movies:** "Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness" was seen in the Imax 3D theater at AMC Center Valley 16. The premium

price is worth it to see the movie in this format. The 3D did not darken scenes appreciably.

**Theatrical Domestic Movie Box Office, May 13-15:**

"Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness" continued for a second week at No. 1, with a still strong \$61.7 million, in 4,534 theaters; \$292.6 million, two weeks.  
2. "The Bad Guys" stayed in place, \$7 million, in 3,788 theaters; \$66.4 million, four weeks.  
3. "Sonic the Hedgehog 2" stayed in place, \$4.6 million, in 3,116 theaters, \$175.8 million, six weeks.  
4. "Firestarter," opening, \$3.8 million, in 3,412 theaters.  
5. "Everything Everywhere All at Once" stayed in place, \$3.3 million, in 1,726 theaters, \$47.1 million, eight weeks.  
6. "Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore" dropped two places, \$2.5 million, in 2,578 theaters, \$90.1 million, five weeks.  
7. "The Northman" dropped one place, \$1.7 million, in 1,934 theaters, \$31.2 million, four weeks.  
8. "The Lost City" dropped one place, \$1.6 million, in 1,675 theaters, \$97.1 million, eight weeks.  
9.

"Family Camp," opening, \$1.3 million, in 854 theaters.  
10. "The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent" dropped two places, \$1 million, in 1,076 theaters, \$18.2 million, four weeks.

Box office information from Box Office Mojo as of May 15 is subject to change.

**Unreel, May 20:**

**"Downton Abbey: A New Era,"** PG: Simon Curtis directs Hugh Bonneville, Jim Carter, Michelle Dockery and Elizabeth McGovern in the Drama Romance. The sequel to the 2019 film follows the further adventures of the Crawley family and Downton Abbey staff.

**"Men,"** R: Alex Garland directs Paapa Essiedu, Gayle Rankin, Sarah Twomey and Zak Rothera-Oxley in the Drama, Horror, Science-Fiction film. A young woman is on vacation in the English countryside after the death of her ex-husband.

Movie opening date information from Internet Movie Database as of May 15 is subject to change.

## 'THE DUKE'

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Abbey." Masterpiece Theatre, art heists and Goya.

**"The Duke,"** MPAA rated R (Restricted: Under 17 requires accompanying parent or adult guardian.) for language and brief sexuality; Genre: Biography, History, Drama, Comedy; Run Time: 1 hour, 35 minutes. Distributed by Sony Pictures Classics.

**Credit Readers**

**Anonymous:** "The Duke" film locations included West Yorkshire, London, and West London Film Studios, England. The instrumental, "Stranger on the Shore," written and performed (on clarinet) by Acker Bilk for the BBC TV show (1961) of the same title and charting at No. 1 on the Billboard Hot 100 in 1962, is heard on the soundtrack of "The Duke."

**At The Movies:** "The Duke" was seen in the Red Theatre, Frank Banko Cinemas, ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, Bethlehem.

**Theatrical Domestic Movie Box Office, May 20-22:**

"Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness" made it a three-peat at No. 1, with a still solid \$31.6 million, in 4,534 theaters; \$342 million, three weeks. "Downton Abbey: A New Era" opened at No. 2 with a respectable \$16 million, in 3,820 theaters.  
3. "The Bad Guys" dropped one place, \$6 million, in 3,705 theaters; \$74.3 million, five weeks.  
4. "Sonic the Hedgehog 2" dropped one place, \$3.9 million, in 2,943 theaters; \$181 million, seven weeks.  
5. "Men," opening, \$3.2 million, in 2,212 the-

aters.  
6. "Everything Everywhere All at Once" dropped one place, \$3.1 million, in 1,576 theaters; \$52.2 million, nine weeks.  
7. "Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore" dropped one place, \$1.9 million, in 1,923 theaters; \$93 million, six weeks.  
8. "Firestarter" dropped four places, \$1.9 million, in 3,413 theaters; \$6.9 million, two weeks.  
9. "The Lost City" dropped one place, \$1.5 million, in 1,396 theaters; \$99.2 million, nine weeks.  
10. "The Northman" dropped three places, \$1 million, in 1,263 theaters; \$33 million, five weeks.  
16. "The Duke" stayed in place, \$104,289, in 180 theaters; \$1.2 million, five weeks.

Box office information from Box Office Mojo as of May 22 is subject to change.

**Unreel, May 27:**

**"Top Gun: Maverick,"** PG-13: Joseph Kosinski directs Tom Cruise, Jennifer Connelly, Miles Teller and Monica Barbaro in the Action Drama. Tom Cruise is back in the pilot's seat. Fasten your seat belts and hold onto your popcorn, it's going to be a thrilling ride.

**"The Bob's Burgers Movie,"** PG-13: Loren Bouchard and Bernard Derriman direct the voice talents of H. Jon Benjamin, Kristen Schaal, Dan Mintz and Stephanie Beatriz and the animation in the Adventure, Comedy, Musical. The Belchers try to save the restaurant from closing as their children try to solve a mystery.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Emmaus Borough Council will be voting on the following Ordinances at its June 20, 2022 Council Meeting:  
**ORDINANCE NO. 1228**  
**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF EMMAUS, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 15 §602.2.A OF THE EMMAUS BOROUGH CODE, REMOVING A RESIDENTIAL DISABLED PARKING SIGN ON THE PUBLIC STREET LOCATED ACROSS FROM 628 RIDGE STREET WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF EMMAUS.**  
 The Council Meeting is scheduled for 7:00 PM at St. John's UCC, 139 N Fourth St., Emmaus, PA. The proposed Ordinance is available for inspection at the temporary Borough offices, 420 S 10th Street, Emmaus PA, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Shane M. Pepe  
 Borough Manager

May 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is given that Ordinance #2022-09 shall be considered, and if appropriate, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township at its regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Thursday, June 2, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031.

Ordinance #2022-09: Proposing to amend the Township of Upper Macungie Code of Ordinances, Chapter 15 (Motor Vehicles and Traffic), Part 2 (Traffic Regulations) by establishing maximum speed limits on Hickory Lane in Upper Macungie Township as set forth more fully in the body of the ordinance.

Copies of the proposed Ordinance shall be on display at the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building at the address indicated above, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, and on file at The Parkland Press, Allentown, PA, where it may be inspected.

Kalman Sostarecz  
 Township Secretary  
 May 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**SALISBURY TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA**  
**ZONING HEARING BOARD**  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2022 AT 7:00PM**

The Salisbury Township Zoning Hearing Board will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Ave, Allentown, PA 18103. The meeting will be held to hear the following cases:

**APPEAL NO. 21-0242B - 1493 EAST EMMAUS AVE**

Appeal of NuVision Properties LLC to be granted dimensional variances from: §27-510.2 for parking lot illumination; §27-603.1.F for landscaping, stormwater management and illumination requirements; §27-603.7.C(1) for paved area setback; §27-605.1 for loading spaces; §27-803.2.F for street tree screening; and §27-804.2 for shade tree and paved area landscaping. Appellant proposes to convert the existing group home into a 12-unit apartment building. These variances would be in addition to the previously granted variances within Decision No. 21-0242, dated October 5, 2021.

**APPEAL NO. 22-0068 - 3054 SOUTH PIKE AVE**

Appeal of Jessica Ritz, Joseph T. Kuriger and Elizabeth A. Ritz to be granted a special exception and dimensional and use variances. Appellants propose to convert the existing single-family detached dwelling into a duplex which, per §27-306.2, is only permitted by Special Exception. Appellant also requests Variances regarding: §27-306.2 to increase the number of dwelling without public water; §27-402.1(Q)(1) for fire safety requirements; §27-402.1.Q(6) for evergreen screening; and §27-803.2.A for buffer yards with evergreen screening.

**APPEAL NO. 22-0046 - 2844 SOUTH PIKE AVE**

Appeal of City Line Construction to be granted a special exception and to appeal the zoning officer decision related to ordinance interpretation (or in the alternative request dimensional and use variances). Appellant proposes to expand the use as a construction company headquarters which, per §27-306.2, is only permitted by Special Exception. Appellant also seeks to appeal the zoning officer's decision related to ordinance interpretation (or in the alternative seeks variances) regarding: §27-306.2 to increase the number of dwelling without public water; §27-307 for front yard setback; §27-402.1.Q(6) for evergreen screening; §27-603.3.B for parking aisle width; §27-603.3.C for paved area setback; §27-603.7.E for paved setback from a commercial building and required buffer yard; §27-605.3 for fire lane; §27-605.1.B for loading space; and §27-803.2.A for buffer yard.

All applicants and interested parties must attend in-person. Requests to review the files in advance should be directed to Kerry Rabold, Planning & Zoning Officer, at krabold@salisburytownship.org or 610-797-4000 x5825.  
 May 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL**  
**ZONING HEARING BOARD**  
**PUBLIC HEARING**

The regular monthly meeting of the Whitehall Township Zoning Hearing Board will be held on **June 21, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.**, in the Public Meeting Room of the Municipal Building, at 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, to hear the following applications/appeals:

**DOCKET # 2026 - Ktesios Properties, LLC c/o Chick-fil-A - 75 Clinton Street, Staten Island, NY 10304. Location: 2610 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 549845674665,** the subject property is located in a C-2 Regional/Community Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a variance to Sec. 27-84(E)(2) of the Zoning Ordinance to construct accessory structures (free-standing canopies over menu boards at drive-thru lane) less than ten feet (10') from the side property line.

**DOCKET # 2028 - NVR / Ryan Homes - 980 Harvest Drive, Suite 350, Blue Bell, PA 19422. Location: 4246 Cypress Lane, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 548936836323,** the subject property is located in a R-1 Very Low Density Residential Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a variance to Sec. 27-62 (A) and Sec. 27-70 (A) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow temporary use of a model home garage as a sales center in lieu of an on-site trailer by appointment only.

**DOCKET # 2029 - Michael A. Beani / American Pools and Spas - 3610 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052. Location: 5100 Beekmantown Road and 5105 Beekmantown Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, PINs 548992533116,** the subject property is located in a C-2A Local Commercial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting a variance to Sec. 27-116(C)(2) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow use of five (5) temporary storage containers for longer than six (6) months.

**DOCKET # 2030 - Greystone Capital, Inc. - Suite 300, 559 Main Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018. Location: 5100 Beekmantown Road and 5105 Beekmantown Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, PINs 549906489354 and 549906586088,** the subject properties are located in an Open Space/Limited Industrial Zoning District. Applicant is requesting Variances to Secs. 27-69(E)(3) and (4), 27-100, and 27-114 regarding maximum impervious coverage, 50% requested and 45% allowed, maximum building height, 50 feet requested and 35 feet allowed, frontage on a public street, and construction on steep slopes, in order to develop the land for a warehouse/distribution center.

Copies of plans, applications and supporting documents are available for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building. Comments and questions may be submitted to [CGittinger@whitehalltownship.com](mailto:CGittinger@whitehalltownship.com).

The decisions of the Township of Whitehall Zoning Hearing Board are made without regard to race, color, national origin, familial status, and disability status of the Applicant.

The Whitehall Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Any person that requires special assistance to understand the nature of the business conducted at the above meeting because of visual, hearing, or other impairment, is requested to contact the Zoning Officer at least five (5) days prior to the scheduled meeting to arrange for the necessary assistance.

Applicants, and all interested parties MUST appear at this hearing to be considered.

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

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

Christopher W. Gittinger  
 Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer

May 25, June 1

**LEHIGH COUNTY**  
**SENIOR MENUS**

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

**Thursday, May 26:** Hot: Beef tips in gravy, broccoli, noodles, peaches. Lite: Egg salad sandwich, lentil salad, whole-wheat bread, fresh orange.

**Friday, May 27:** Hot: Baked chicken w/ gravy, green beans, mushroom brown rice pilaf, orange. Lite: Spring turkey salad, salad dressing, whole-wheat dinner roll, pineapple.

**Monday, May 30:** Centers closed. Memorial Day.

**Tuesday, May 31:** Hot: Baked three cheese ravioli, broccoli and cauliflower, whole-wheat dinner roll, jello. Cold: Turkey BLT bagel, cole slaw, bagel, fresh fruit salad.

**Wednesday, June 1:** Hot: Meatball sandwich, roasted potato wedges, vegetable blend, whole-wheat sandwich roll, angel food cake. Lite: Chef salad w/ chicken, salad dressing, whole-wheat roll, fresh orange.

**Thursday, June 2:** Hot: Lemon butter chicken, boiled new potatoes, cauliflower and peas, whole-wheat dinner roll, chocolate pudding. Lite: Ham and cheddar sandwich, broccoli salad, whole-wheat bread, apple slices.

**NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**  
**SENIOR MENUS**

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

**Wednesday, May 25:** Roasted turkey, Pennsylvania "Dutch" stuffing, corn, dark sweet cherries, wheat bread w/ margarine.

**Thursday, May 26:** Cranberry juice, cheeseburger on bun, lettuce-tomato-mayo, Amish potato salad, watermelon, holiday cookie.

**Friday, May 27:** Herbed pork loin w/ gravy, mashed sweet potatoes, green beans, Mandarin oranges, wheat bread w/ margarine, apple juice.

**Monday, May 30:** Closed for Memorial Day.

**Tuesday, May 31:** Liver and onions, mashed potatoes, Scandinavian blend, apple slices, wheat bread w/ margarine, cranberry juice. Liver and onions, mashed potatoes, Scandinavian blend, apple slices, wheat bread w/ margarine, cranberry juice.

**Conceptis Sudoku** By Dave Green

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							4	9

Difficulty Level ★★★ 5/25

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

**Answer to previous puzzle**

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Township of Whitehall is accepting bids for the following project:

**Bid #2022-09: "RE-BID MICKLEY-PRYDUN FARM PHASE 1 WEATHERPROOFING IMPROVEMENTS - INCLUDING ROOFING AND FLASHING REPAIR; GUTTER REPLACEMENT; PORCH FRAMING; AND ROOFING, SOFFIT AND FASCIA REPLACEMENT"**

Sealed bids will be received at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052, until 10:00 A.M., Local Time, on Thursday, June 9, 2022. Late bids will not be accepted.

A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 31, 2022, at the Project Site, Mickley-Prydun Farm, 3540 Ruch Street, Whitehall, PA 18052.

Bid security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid price shall be submitted with the bid. Additional post-award bonding requirements for this project include a Performance Bond, a Labor and Material Payment Bond and a Maintenance Bond.

This project is subject to the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, approved August 15, 1961, P.L. 987 (Act No. 442), as amended and supplemented, and reference is made to the prevailing minimum wage rates applicable to this project which have been promulgated by the Secretary of Labor and Industry.

Bid Documents, including plans and specifications, may be obtained beginning immediately by sending an email to request a bid packet to: bids@whitehalltownship.com, or by calling 610-437-5524 x 1165. Bid Packets are free of charge.

Whitehall Township reserves the right to determine, in its sole discretion, whether any aspect of a bid satisfactorily meets the criteria established in this Request for Bid, to accept either in whole or in part, any one bid or combination of bids, to waive or permit the curing of any immaterial defects in formalities or irregularities in a bid as permitted by law, to reject any or all bids with or without cause, and to take any action which the Township deems appropriate. The Township intends to select that bid(s) which, in the sole opinion of the Township is/are most favorable and in the best interests of the citizens of Whitehall Township.

Lenore Brazier  
Purchasing Agent

May 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
Notice To Bidders**

**2022 Liquid Fuels Road Program  
Borough of Catasauqua**

The Borough of Catasauqua will utilize electronic bidding to receive sealed bids for the 2022 Liquid Fuels Road Program. Sealed bids must be submitted online through the PennBid electronic procurement program prior to June 16, 2022 at 10:00 AM EST, at which time they will be opened and read aloud at the office of Remington & Vernick Engineers, 1010 Stony Hill Road, Suite 175 in Yardley, PA 19067.

All documents and solicitation details are available at no cost through PennBid ([www.PennBid.net](http://www.PennBid.net)). This project consists of ADA curb ramp construction, pavement repairs, asphalt pavement milling, installation of leveling/scratch course and wearing course, and replacement of pavement markings. This project is funded by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) Municipal Liquid Fuels Program. All material must meet current PennDOT Specifications.

Bidders are required to provide Bid Security in an amount equal to 10% of the total amount bid. Bid Security may be provided in the form of a certified check or a bid bond issued by a Surety Company licensed to transact such business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Upon award of a contract, the Successful Bidder shall provide a Performance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond, each in the amount of 100% of the awarded contract value. Upon completion of the contract, the Successful Bidder shall provide a 2-year Maintenance Bond in the amount of 100% of the final contract value.

Bidders are required to comply with the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act of 1961, P.L. 987, No. 442, where the project cost is \$100,000 or above for locally funded highway and bridge projects.

Only the Successful Bidder for a contract will be responsible for payment of a fee to PennBid and for bearing the cost thereof. The amount of the fee due to PennBid is either 1/3% (0.0033) of the initial contract award amount for fixed fee contracts or 1/6% (0.00166) of the expected contract value for term contracts and will be invoiced by PennBid to the successful bidder upon award of a contract by the Local Contracting Unit. The minimum fee is set at \$100.00 and the maximum fee is capped at \$5,000.00. May 25, June 1

**PUBLIC AUCTION**

K&P Auto Parts LLC, 5006 Chapmans Road, Allentown PA 18104, is holding a public auction for an abandoned 2017 Nissan Sentra. VIN# 3N1AB7AP9HY324670, On May 26 2022 at 7:am  
May 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to state law, the following is a list of occupants from the **AIRPORT ROAD SELF STORAGE INC.**, 7249 Airport Road, Bath, PA 18014, who will have the contents of their respective space sold to satisfy the owner's lien.  
**Cesarine Urich - Space #759 and 760**  
May 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to state law, the following is a list of occupants from the **AIRPORT ROAD SELF STORAGE INC.**, 7249 Airport Road, Bath, PA 18014, who will have the contents of their respective space sold to satisfy the owner's lien.  
**David Pierce - Space #436**  
May 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Borough Council of Catasauqua will hold a Special Meeting at 6:00PM EST on June 1, 2022, at the Catasauqua Municipal Building, 90 Bridge Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032, to review, discuss, and possibly take action concerning the Catasauqua Iron Works Project and to consider or take action on any other business which may come before Council. An executive session may also be held.  
May 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Certificate of Organization was filed on April 19, 2022 with the PA Department of State for **Greene Remodeling LLC** in accordance with the provisions of the Limited Liability Company Law, Act of December 7, 1994.

Ronald E. Corkery, Esquire  
352 Fifth Street, Suite A, Whitehall, PA 18052  
(610) 437-9867  
May 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Bethlehem Area School District's 2022-2023 Proposed Budget is available for public inspection on May 31, 2022 at [www.basd.schools.org](http://www.basd.schools.org) by appt. at the Ed Center, 1516 Sycamore St., Bethlehem, or obtain a printed copy for a reasonable copying fee.

The Board of School Directors will act on the 2022-2023 Final Budget and any other items that may come before the Board at a Special Board Mtg. at 6pm on June 20, 2022 in the Edgeboro Rm at the Ed. Center, 1516 Sycamore St., Bethlehem. The order of mtgs that evening will be at the discretion of the Board.

Stacy M. Gober, Board Secretary  
May 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**, pursuant to the provisions of Act of Assembly No. 295, effective March 16, 1983, of the filing in the office of the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, an application for the conduct of a business in Northampton County, Pennsylvania under the assumed or fictitious name, style or designation of Name: **Walden III Senior Living Community**, with its principal place of business at: 325 North Broadway, Wind Gap, PA 18091. The names... and addresses of all persons or entities owning or interested in said business are: Walden Care LLC, 325 North Broadway, Wind Gap, PA 18091. The registration was filed on 12/6/21.  
May 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**The TRI CLOVER FIRE COMPANY** hereby announces its intention to apply for a loan from the Fire and Emergency Medical Services Loan Program administered by the Office of the State Fire Commissioner. The Tri Clover Fire Company hereby certifies that:  
1. The Tri Clover Fire Company by-laws do not discriminate against applicants for membership on the basis of race, color, religious creed, national origin, sex, age or handicap; and  
2. There is not an unwritten policy of discrimination for membership in the Tri Clover Fire Company.  
Comments on this application should be forwarded to 4801 Kernsville Rd., Orefield, PA 18069 and the Office of the State Fire Commissioner, Fire and Emergency Medical Services Loan Program, 1310 Elmerton Avenue, Harrisburg, PA 17110.  
May 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC INSPECTION AND INTENTION TO ADOPT CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT FINAL BUDGET 2022-2023**  
Notice is hereby given that the Board of School Directors of the Catasauqua Area School District intends to adopt on June 14, 2022 a final budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023. The proposed final budget was approved for public display and inspection on May 10, 2022 by the Board of School Directors.  
The proposed final budget is available for public inspection by all persons at the District Administration office, 201 N. 14th St., Catasauqua, PA from 9:00AM to 3:30PM Monday through Friday. In addition, the proposed final budget can also be viewed at the following locations: Sheckler Elementary School, Catasauqua Middle School, Catasauqua High School, Hanover Township administration building, Catasauqua Borough administration building, and North Catasauqua Borough administration building during their normal business hours. A copy of the proposed final budget is also available on the District's web site: [www.cattysd.org](http://www.cattysd.org). Follow the "Quick Link" for "CASD Budget Info." By Order of the Board of School Directors of the Catasauqua Area School District  
Robert J. Spengler, Superintendent  
May 25

**CRYPTOGRAM**

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Today's Cryptquip Clue: C equals O

See solutions on Page B10

**PREMIER Crossword**

By Frank A. Longo

**CROSSWORD  
DIVERSION**

**ACROSS**

- 1 Extreme self-deniers
- 9 Common proof of age
- 15 Plotting band
- 20 Cousins of croci
- 21 Worker whose job is fitting
- 22 Nice smell
- 23 Stylized bow that's a token of affection
- 24 Godly
- 25 Fragment
- 26 Unwrap
- 27 Put on fancy duds, with "up"
- 29 Many Punjabi believers
- 30 Take forcibly
- 31 Marry
- 32 Cultural
- 35 Many August babies
- 36 Ford bomb
- 37 Writer Elinor or Philip
- 39 Praise highly
- 41 Toad feature
- 43 Toppings for nachos
- 45 "The King —"
- 46 Shakes up
- 51 Entertainer Falana
- 52 Nutrition std.
- 54 "— Kapital"
- 55 Tapering off
- 56 Flying hooters
- 57 They have depots: Abbr.
- 58 Father of Beau Bridges
- 60 Most bizarre
- 61 Rugged truck, in brief
- 62 Sandy islets
- 63 Napoleon's isle of exile
- 64 News anchor Huntley
- 65 Hebrew holy scroll
- 67 Plus others: Abbr.
- 69 "Noah" actress Watson
- 71 Chewed Andean stimulants
- 75 Title for a fictional Southern rabbit
- 77 Cowboys' city, informally
- 79 Writer Dinesen
- 81 Suffix with Seattle
- 82 Behind bars
- 85 Bruno — (shoe brand)
- 86 Moo — pork
- 87 Be boastful
- 88 Hurting from hiking, say
- 90 Color tone
- 91 Gridiron stats
- 92 Pale brown
- 93 Legume-family plant
- 94 Incline
- 96 "Not so!"
- 98 PC memory units
- 99 19th-century Shakespeare editor Alexander

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- 101 Farfalle, e.g.
- 105 A8 carmaker
- 107 Paige of "Evita"
- 109 Gene-splicing need
- 112 Trellis plants
- 113 Current style
- 115 Finale
- 116 Colorado ski mecca
- 117 Vetoed
- 118 Early online protocol
- 120 Rip apart
- 123 Justice Kagan
- 124 Distinctive film director
- 125 Ripped apart
- 126 Impertinent
- 127 Meager
- 128 Jewel box holders ... or eight features of this puzzle?
- DOWN**
- 1 Radiant
- 2 Incline
- 3 Neanderthal, e.g.
- 4 Eve's garden
- 5 "— ToK" (Kesha hit)
- 6 Electrojet bit
- 7 Laundromat machine
- 8 Make a chair of
- 9 "— be an honor"
- 10 Speaking stand
- 11 Passive resistance to laws
- 12 Quite similar
- 13 "Apollo 13" director
- 14 Equestrian training
- 15 Bit of outdated hi-fi equipment
- 16 Traveled in a curved path
- 17 Tennis' Becker
- 18 Astonish
- 19 Suit coat flap
- 28 — monster (large lizard)
- 32 Lofty trains
- 33 — del Fuego
- 34 Romantic evening meal
- 38 In-favor votes
- 40 Longtime politico Mo
- 42 Rival of Xerox or Canon
- 43 Political pull
- 44 DIYer's book
- 47 Build upon
- 48 Deadlock
- 49 Mil. officer
- 50 Mil. officer
- 53 Mgr.'s aide
- 59 Tasty tuber
- 62 December 25
- 64 Periodic payment to a stockholder
- 66 Taper off
- 68 Judges' org.
- 70 Very fine rain
- 72 Hora or hokeypokey
- 73 Classic arcade name
- 74 Smooth transition
- 76 31-Across on the sly
- 78 Viscous
- 80 Novelist Jane
- 82 Possibilities
- 83 This moment
- 84 Java
- 85 Fulfill expectations
- 87 Really tired
- 89 Sailing races
- 95 "Take it out" mark
- 97 Beatified Fr. woman
- 101 Really years
- 102 Teresa of —
- 103 "Boxcars" roll
- 104 Cold temps
- 106 River mouth
- 108 Silly prank
- 110 Constituent of gunpowder
- 111 At — for words
- 114 — ex machina
- 116 Observe
- 119 III, to Italians
- 121 Inclined
- 122 '16 Olympics host

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Borough of Catasauqua will hold a Special Meeting and Public Hearing at 6:30PM EST on June 6, 2022 at the Catasauqua Municipal Building, 90 Bridge Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032 to consider a Request from Shuban Enterprise LLC for the Intermunicipal Transfer of restaurant liquor license No. R17761 into the Borough of Catasauqua to a proposed location of 822 Race Street, Catasauqua, PA 18032. The purpose of the special meeting and public hearing is for the Borough to consider the request and for the Borough to receive comments and recommendations from interested individuals and member of the public.  
May 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
NOTICE OF NONPROFIT INCORPORATION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Articles of Incorporation were filed on April 4, 2022, with the Department of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, pursuant to the provisions of the Nonprofit Corporation Law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Act of December 21, 1988, P.L. 1444, No. 177, as amended, by the following nonprofit corporation:  
**Rock 4 MS**  
The corporation is organized for charitable purposes.  
Attorney's name  
Timothy J. Duckworth, Jr., Esq.  
Firm Name: Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C.  
Address: 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404  
Bethlehem, PA 18017  
May 18, 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Township of Salisbury will receive sealed bids electronically via the PennBid Program for the Curb/Gutter Milling and Bituminous Overlay of South 25th Street (East Texas Blvd. to S. 24th St. [Oxford Dr.]), Flexer Avenue & Flexer Court (Green Acres Dr. to East Texas Blvd.) and South Main Street (Flexer Ave. to South Whitehall Township Line) in the Township. The work involves 8' wide gutter milling and approximately 10,000 square yards of bituminous curb to curb overlay. Bids will be received until 2:00 PM (prevailing time) on Wednesday, June 15, 2022. Bid results will be made available on PennBid after Owner's bid evaluation and review.  
Copies of the Specifications/Bid Forms are available at no cost on PennBid (<https://PennBid.ProcureWare.com>).  
Each bid must be accompanied by bid security made payable to the Township of Salisbury in an amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid price and in the form of a certified or bank check or a Bid Bond issued by a surety meeting the requirements of Paragraph 6.01 of the General Conditions. This project is subject to minimum wage rates in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act and the Public Works Employee Verification Act. Owner reserves the right to waive any informality in, and/or to reject, any or all bids.  
Township of Salisbury  
Cathy Bonaskiewich - Township Manager  
May 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Lower Macungie Township will receive sealed bids for its 2022 Roadway Line Striping Program which includes 178,425 L.F. of double yellow centerline, 338,860 L.F. of 4-inch white fog line, 12,462 L.F. of 6-inch white fog line, 28 EA. bike lane markings (Figure 9C-9) and 36 EA. bike lane markings (Figure 9C-3A), all to be waterborne-type in accordance with PennDOT Publication 408, Section 962. Copies of the Specifications and Bid Forms will be available at no cost on PennBid, available at <https://pennbid.procureware.com> beginning May 18, 2022. Sealed bids will be received until 9:00 AM (prevailing time) on June 6, 2022. Bid results will be made available on PennBid after bid opening. Each bid must be accompanied by Bid Security in the form of a certified or bank check, or a Bid Bond issued by a surety meeting the requirements of PennDOT Pub. 408, made payable to Lower Macungie Township, in an amount of ten percent (10%) of the Bid Price. The successful Bidder must furnish Performance and Payment Bonds each in an amount equal to the Contract Price and meeting PennDOT Pub. 408, Section 103.04 requirements. Bidders must be PennDOT prequalified per PennDOT Pub. 408, Section 102. This project is considered maintenance and is not subject to the terms and conditions of the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, as determined by the Secretary of Labor and Industry, and is to be bid as such. The successful bidder is assessed a variable award fee from PennBid. Lower Macungie Township reserves the right to waive any informality, and to reject any or all Bids.  
Renea Flexer, Asst. Township Manager/Secretary  
May 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Upper Macungie Township Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on June 8th at 6:30 P.M., at the Township Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031 to hear the following appeal:

**#05 22 005** A Special Exception of Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., 1940 Air Products Boulevard, Allentown, PA 18106; for conformance with Section 27-306.2 "Table of Permitted Uses by District" and Section's 27-402.MMM Trucking Company Terminal & 27-402.PPP Warehouse, Distribution or Wholesale Sales to allow the use of the property located at 7201 Hamilton Boulevard, Allentown, PA 18195 as a Warehousing/Distributing facility.  
The property is situated in the L1 Zoning District. The Parcel Identification Number is 546562745585 1.

**#06 22 008** The Zoning Appeal of Mark Marvi, 253 Lenape Trail, Allentown, PA 18104; to Appeal the Townships and/or Zoning Officers authority to enforce a Conservation Easement. An interpretation from Section 27-202 "Terms Defined" that the Conservation Easement does not meet the criteria for the minimum duration set forth in the definition of a Conservation Easement.  
The property is property located at 253 Lenape Trail, Allentown, PA 18104 and situated in the R2 Zoning District. The Parcel Identification Number is 546579168351 1.

Applicants must appear at the hearing.  
All interested parties may appear and be heard.

Kyle Kuester  
Zoning Officer  
May 25, June 1

**WEISENBERG TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY  
ANNUAL AUDIT AND FINANCIAL REPORT  
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

<b>FUND EQUITY, JANUARY 1, 2021</b>	<b>\$6,158,161</b>
<b>REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES</b>	
General Fund	\$2,287,935
Highway Aid Fund	344,502
Fire Tax Fund	334,750
Capital Projects Fund	359,617
Wastewater Fund	5,779
Employees Pension Fund	279,767
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>3,612,350</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES</b>	
General Fund	1,370,441
Highway Aid Fund	378,689
Fire Tax Fund	139,661
Capital Projects Fund	605,650
Wastewater Fund	8,244
Employees Pension Fund	2,946
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>2,505,631</b>
<b>FUND EQUITY, DECEMBER 31, 2021</b>	<b>\$7,264,880</b>
<b>STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash	\$5,446,323
Investments	1,831,787
	7,278,110
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>	
Payroll taxes payable	1,530
Accounts Payable	11,700
Fund Equity	7,264,880
	7,278,110
<b>ASSESSED VALUATION OF THE TOWNSHIP</b>	
Taxable	\$757,525,500

The books and accounts have been audited by the Township's appointed auditors for the year ended December 31, 2021. The above statements have been compiled from the audit report for 2021. The complete audit report is available for inspection at the Township Office during normal business hours.  
May 25 Brian Carl, Secretary/Administrator

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Christopher M. Zweifel**, Deceased. Late of Bethlehem City, Lehigh County, PA. D.O.D. 2/11/17. Letters of Administration D.B.N. 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 **Michelle Lee Wood**, Administratrix D.B.N., 471 Parker St., Manchester, CT 06042. Or to her Atty.: Jennifer M. Merx, Skarlatos Zonarich, 320 Market St., Ste. 600W, Harrisburg, PA 17101  
May 18, 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Dorothy E. Pierson**, Deceased. Late of Lower Milford Twp., Lehigh County, PA. 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 **Diane L. Howard, Executrix**, c/o Robert Minnich, Esq., 3770 Ridge Pike, Collegeville, PA 19426. Or to her Atty.: Robert Minnich, Miller, Turetsky, Rule & McLennan, 3770 Ridge Pike, Collegeville, PA 19426  
May 18, 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **HELEN I. MATTERN**, deceased, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **Crystal M. Hart, Executor** c/o Emily A. Zettlemoyer 53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 19049 or to their attorney: Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esq. 53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049  
May 11, 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **ELAINE A. SCHLEGEL**, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the individual named below, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payment to: **Susan Komand a/k/a Susan E. Komand, Executrix** c/o Eric R. Strauss, Esquire WORTH, MAGEE & FISHER, P.C. 2610 Walbert Avenue Allentown, PA 18104  
May 18, 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **David L. Beers, Sr.**, Deceased, late of the Township of Lehigh, County of Northampton, Commonwealth 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 **David Luther Beers, Jr., Executor**, c/o 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017; or Timothy J. Duckworth, Jr., Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017.  
May 25, June 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **ANNA L. SCHILLINGS, a/k/a Anna Louise Schillings**, Deceased, late of Whitehall, County of Lehigh, Commonwealth 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 payments without delay to **Robert A. Schillings, Executor**, c/o 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017; or Timothy J. Duckworth, Jr., Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017.  
May 18, 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **GEOFFREY S. CHENWORTH**, deceased, late of Schnecksville of North Whitehall Township, 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 payments without delay to: **KRISTIN K. CHENWORTH** c/o Joshua D. Shulman, Esquire SHULMAN LAW OFFICE PC 1935 Center Street Northampton, PA 18067  
May 11, 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Kathy J. Confer**, deceased late of Lower Macungie 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: **Donald J. Confer, Executor** c/o The Roth Law Firm 537 Chestnut Street Emmaus, PA 18049 Or to his attorney: John O. Stover, Jr., Esquire David M. Roth, Esquire The Roth Law Firm 537 Chestnut Street Emmaus, PA 18049  
May 18, 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Patricia A. Unser, a/k/a Patricia Ann Unser**, deceased late of South Whitehall 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: **Sidney J. Unser, Executor** c/o The Roth Law Firm 537 Chestnut Street Emmaus, PA 18049 Or to his attorney: John O. Stover, Jr., Esquire David M. Roth, Esquire The Roth Law Firm 537 Chestnut Street Emmaus, PA 18049  
May 18, 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Nadine J. Gross, a/k/a Nadine June Gross**, deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **Tammy M. White** 6945 Lentz Rd. New Tripoli, PA 18066 Or to her attorney: Curtis C. Creveling, Esq. CREVELING, CREVELING & CAPPELLINI 123 North Fifth Street Allentown, PA 18102 (610) 435-8711  
May 18, 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Richard D. Gress, Sr.**, Deceased, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of 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 **Kristen M. Fenstermacher, Executrix**, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or her Attorney, David M. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.  
May 11, 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE Death and Heir Search of **John F. Tracey a/k/a John Tracey**, Deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania died on October 28, 2021. Notice is also given for the purpose of locating any and all heirs of the Deceased. Please contact **Robert N. Rust III, Esquire, Attorney for the Estate**, 4461 Kohler Drive, Allentown, PA 18103 if you are an heir of the Deceased.  
May 18, 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Mariusz Pasinski**, Deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **Magdalena J Pasinski Buchalow, Administrator** C/O Lukasz K. Selwa, Esquire, Attorney for the Estate, 4461 Kohler Drive, Allentown, PA 18103.  
May 11, 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Christine L. Applegate a/k/a Christine Applegate**, Deceased, late of Danielsville, Lehigh Township, Northampton 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 **Charles W. Applegate, Executor** C/O Robert N. Rust III, Esquire, Attorney for the Estate, 4461 Kohler Drive, Allentown, PA 18103.  
May 18, 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **LILLIAN E. PIERRO**, late of Bethlehem Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **Fred Pierro, Executor**, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or his Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.  
May 11, 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **BRUCE K. FENSTERMACHER**, late of Whitehall, 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 **Kristen M. Fenstermacher, Executrix**, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or her Attorney, David M. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.  
May 11, 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that **James F. Eby**, the beneficiary of the Revocable Living Trust Declaration f/b/o James F. Eby Dated June 18, 2012, died on January 15, 2022. All persons having claims or demand against said Decedent are requested to make known the same and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment without delay to the trustee, **Rosemary B. Eby**, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102, or her attorney, David M. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.  
May 18, 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Richard D. Gress, Sr.**, Deceased, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of 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: **Deborah E. Gress** Estate of Richard D. Gress, Sr. c/o Daniel K. McCarthy, Esquire Davison & McCarthy, P.C. Two City Center 645 Hamilton Street, Suite 510 Allentown, PA 18101 or to her attorneys at the above address.  
May 11, 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in the Estate of **RICHARD E. KUNKLE, JR., DECEASED**, late of New Tripoli, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, the Register of Wills has granted Letters Testamentary, 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: **Tammy M. White** 6945 Lentz Rd. New Tripoli, PA 18066 Or to her attorney: Curtis C. Creveling, Esq. CREVELING, CREVELING & CAPPELLINI 123 North Fifth Street Allentown, PA 18102 (610) 435-8711  
May 18, 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Nadine J. Gross, a/k/a Nadine June Gross**, deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **Carol Ann Grubb, Executrix** Lon K. Grubb, Executor c/o YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 Or to their Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062  
May 25, June 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Brenda L. Biro** deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **Tonya A. Karc, Administratrix** c/o YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 Or to her Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062  
May 11, 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Dolores Anne Sost**, deceased, late of Nazareth, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Testamentary have been granted to **Patricia Alcera**, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent make payment without delay to: Santanasto Law, 210 E. Broad Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018.  
May 25, June 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Joan W. Niemitz**, deceased, late of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Testamentary have been granted to **Patricia Muir**, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent make payment without delay to: Santanasto Law, 210 E. Broad Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018.  
May 18, 25, June 1

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Judith A. Braun** deceased, late of Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, PA. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to **Russell K. Braun, Executor**, 817 Athens Dr., St. Augustine, FL 32092.  
May 25, June 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Articles of Incorporation were filed with the Department of State, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, effective April 19, 2022, for the purpose of obtaining a Certificate of Incorporation pursuant to the provisions of the Business Corporation Law of 1988 [P.L. 1444, No. 177], on behalf of the following corporate entity:  
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SARA J. HOGAN, ESQ. 2030 Tilghman St., Ste. 202 Allentown, PA 18104 Phone: 610-432-1590  
May 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **ANNE R. ULANS**, late of the City of Bethlehem, County of Lehigh, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Letters of Administration, C.T.A on the above-named estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those claims or demands to present the same without delay to: **Co-Administrators: CONSTANCE A. ULANS & MELANIE A. ULANS** c/o JOSEPH F. LEESON, III, ESQUIRE 70 East Broad Street P.O. Box 1426 Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426  
May 11, 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Charles C. Weidner**, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **Margaret Adamec** Executrix Estate of Charles C. Weidner 1410 Morning Side Avenue Allentown, PA 18103 or his attorney: Marc Kranson, Esquire 523 Walnut Street Allentown, PA 18101  
May 11, 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that, in the estate of the decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted letters testamentary to the person(s) named. All persons having claims or demands against said estate are requested to make known the same and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment without delay, to the executors or administrators or their attorney named below: **GERALD W. MATLA, dec'd.** Late of the City of Bethlehem, County of Lehigh and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. **Executor: Frank F. Matla, Jr.** c/o Karl F. Longenbach, Esquire, 425 W. Broad Street, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania 18018-1920 **Attorney: Karl F. Longenbach, Esquire**, 425 W. Broad Street, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, 18018-1920, (610) 867-8150.  
May 25, June 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Mary L. Shelhamer** deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **Jan M. Capehart, Executrix** Scott C. Shelhamer, Executor c/o YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 Or to their Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062  
May 11, 18, 25

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Estate of **Brenda L. Biro** deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **Tonya A. Karc, Administratrix** c/o YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 Or to her Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062  
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Data from AAA Travel indicated that more than 37 million people expected to travel 50 miles or more over Memorial Day weekend in 2021. That figure is likely to grow in 2022 as millions more individuals, including young children, are now eligible to be vaccinated against COVID-19.

Travelers concerned about the prospect of sitting in traffic jams this Memorial Day weekend can heed these tips to ensure their weekends are more fun than frustrating.

• Avoid peak travel times. The easiest way to find yourself stuck in Memorial Day traffic is to hit the road during peak travel times. Many people have embraced the "leave early" trend to holiday weekend travel, so the roads may be busier than drivers would expect on Thursday afternoon and evening. If it's possible, drivers can hit the road prior to 3 p.m. Thursday. If work and kids' school schedules make that impossible, delay your departure until late Thursday night or before the sun rises on Friday morning. Late at night or very early in the morning might not make for the most accommodating travel time, but roads tend to be the least congested at these times.

• Expect the trip to take longer than planned. Delays are possible, if unlikely, even if you travel during off-peak hours. Recognition of that can make traffic jams or flight delays a little easier to manage. Parents can prepare kids for delays by letting them know in advance that some setbacks are possible. Build expected delays into your itinerary so you aren't stressing out about missing anything. If travelers luck out and experience no delays, then the weekend begins that much sooner.

• Do your part. If you're traveling by air, confirm everything you'll need to get through security and onto the plane as quickly as possible. Make sure passports and other forms of identification are current. Pack bags wisely so there are no surprises at check-in time. The more details you tend to in advance of your departure, the less stressful your travel day will be.

• Consider a local destination. Another way to beat the crowds is to avoid joining them. The National Ocean and Atmospheric Administration estimates that roughly 40 percent of the American population lives in coastal communities. That means more than 120 million Americans can drive to coastal areas without having to traverse potentially congested highways and interstates. Stay local for busy travel weekends like Memorial Day and reserve longer trips for other times of the year when fewer people are on the road.

Memorial Day travel is historically heavy. Savvy vacationers can employ various strategies to avoid the crowds this year.

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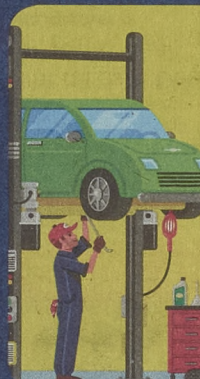


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