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PENNDOT License design to get update

Identification cards to debut

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation has announced that it will update the design and enhance the security features of its driver's license and identification card products.

"The update is an important component of PennDOT's ongoing work to enhance and protect the integrity of the driver's license and identification card issuance process," PennDOT Secretary Yassmin Gramian said in the news release.

PennDOT is piloting the new products at the Summerdale Driver License Center in Enola as of Sept. 12.

All Pennsylvania Driver and Photo centers will transition to the new products by mid-November.

The new products will be phased in over the next four-year renewal cycle and will replace existing products. The new products will be phased in during renewal cycles and will replace existing products. Both current and new card designs will be in circulation during the transition period.

Both standard and REAL ID compliant products will use the new design and security features.

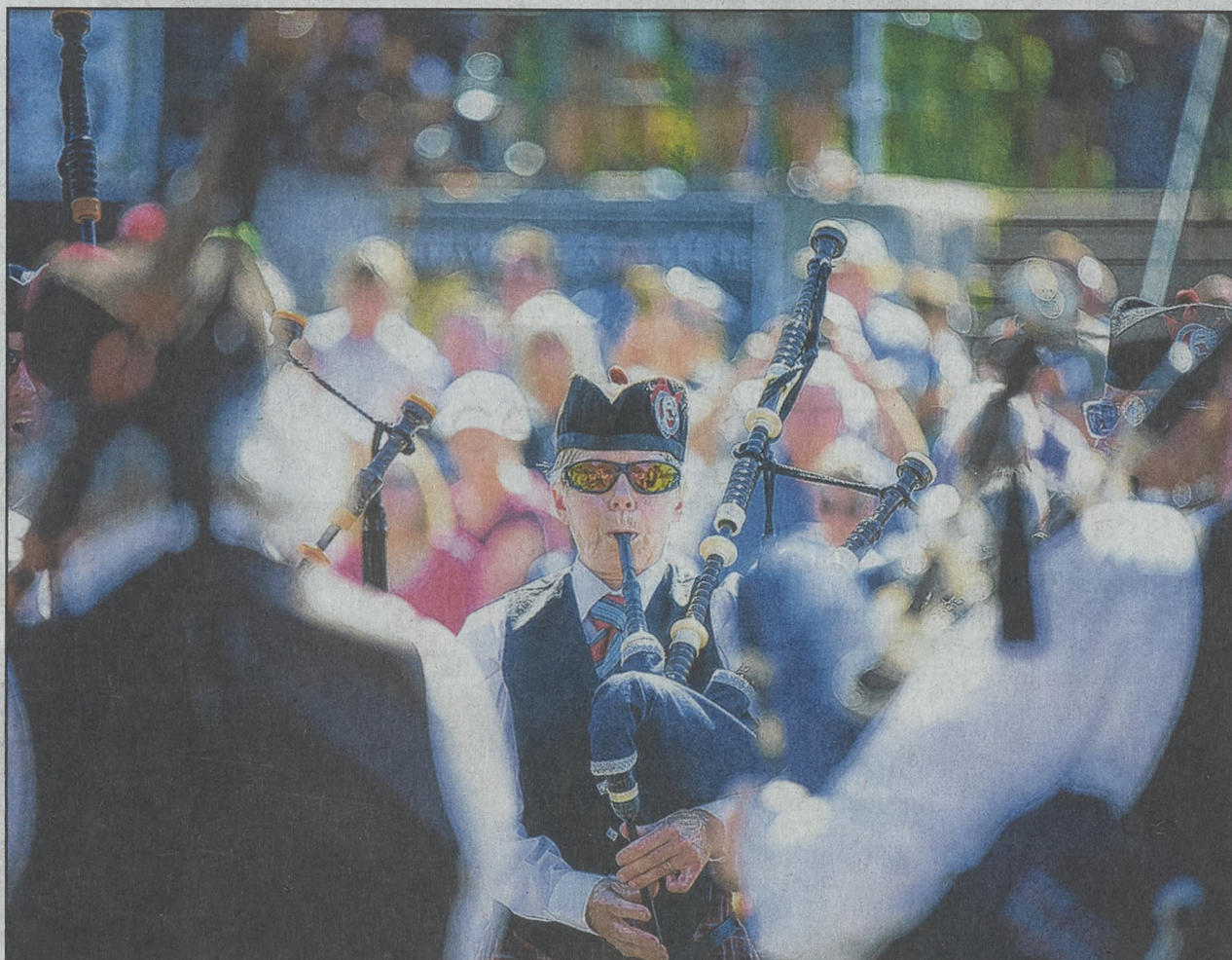
REAL ID is optional in Pennsylvania, and customers are able to opt into REAL ID.

Beginning May 3, 2023, Pennsylvanians will need a REAL ID-compliant driver's license, photo ID card or another form of federally acceptable identification (such as a valid passport or military ID) to board a domestic commercial flight or enter a federal building or military installation that requires ID.

More information about REAL ID can be on the REAL ID page on the Driver and Vehicle Services website.

The new design cards will look different and have additional enhanced security features that improve

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One of the more popular events is the pipe band competitions. Above, a piper from the Mohawk Valley Frasers Pipe Band plays in the 2019 competition. That year the band, founded in 1973 in Rome, N.Y., won first place in the grade 4 pipe competition.

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Welcome 35th Highland Games!

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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The Celtic Classic Highland Games & Festival begins its 35th year this weekend, celebrating the cultures of Ireland, Scotland, and Wales. Bethlehem residents are joined by visitors from across the country and Europe to participate in old family traditions, attracting 250,000 festival-

goers each year.

The Celtic Cultural Alliance organizes traditional competitions and musical features each year such as piping, Irish dance, and haggis-eating contest, attracting athletes small, big and hungry.

This year will also feature scotch tastings, and poetry and youth fiddle contests.

The event begins Friday and sets the tone Saturday morning with the haggis and caber toss events, culminating with the Tartan Parade down Main Street to Highland Field, which will be surrounded by themed food and merchandise vendors.

"With the outstanding support we've received from the

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Members of the O'Grady Quinlan Academy of Irish Dance perform every year. The academy is located in Easton with another studio located in Allentown.

PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

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Frank Fazio
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"It helps bring people together in Bethlehem."
Mary Weber
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2022 CELTIC CLASSIC

TIME	PERFORMER/EVENT
FRIDAY	
Highland Field	
4 p.m.	Sponsor Reception
5:15 p.m.	Haggis Bowl 2021
5:30 p.m.	Challenge Caber
6:30 p.m.	Wayside Farm Border Collies
Grand Pavilion	
4:30 p.m.	Chivalrous Crickets
6 p.m.	Blackwater
7:30 p.m.	Kilmaine Saints
9 p.m.	Glengarry Bhoys
Tavern in the Glen	
4:30 p.m.	Kilmaine Saints
6 p.m.	Low Lily
7:15 p.m.	O'Grady Quinlan Dance Academy
8:30 p.m.	Steel City Rovers
Ice House	
5 p.m.	O'Grady Quinlan Dance Academy
6:15 p.m.	Fig For a Kiss
7:30 p.m.	Gerry Timlin
9 p.m.	Blackwater
Celtic Cross Intersection	
6:45 p.m.	Celtic United Pipe Band performance

TIME	PERFORMER/EVENT
SATURDAY	
Highland Field	
10 a.m.	22lb Hammer
11 a.m.	24lb Braemar Stone
11:30 a.m.	Showing of the Tartan Parade
12:00 p.m.	Opening Ceremonies
12:45 p.m.	56lb Weight for Distance
1:30 p.m.	Sheaf Toss
2:30 p.m.	Drum Major Competition
3:30 p.m.	Caber Toss
5:30 p.m.	Massed Bands
5:45 p.m.	Grade 4 Pipe Band Awards
6:30 p.m.	Border Collie Demo
Grand Pavilion	
12:30 p.m.	Dave North Trio
2 p.m.	Low Lily
3:30 p.m.	Emish
5 p.m.	Mudmen

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35th annual Celtic Alliance festival

Complete Celtic Classic schedules by day:
FRIDAY - <https://www.celticfest.org/celtic-classic-friday-schedule/>
SATURDAY - <https://www.celticfest.org/saturday-schedule/>
SUNDAY - <https://www.celticfest.org/sunday-schedule/>

The festival brings out good crowds that enjoyed a variety of food choices with vendors that were lined up under the bridge along the Monocacy Creek. The yearly festival averages nearly 300,000 attendees. According to Celticfest.org, 40 percent of the festival's patrons are from the Lehigh Valley with 60 percent coming from areas throughout the United States and abroad.

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community and from our sponsors this year's festival is poised to be a celebration of Celtic heritage while still remaining a free family friendly event," said Executive Director of Celtic Cultural Alliance Jayne Ann Recker.

Additionally, Celtic Classic will feature cultural presentations in Celtic Heritage Hollow, located in the Colonial Industrial Quarter. Highlights include music workshops by the Steel City Rovers, a Scottish shortbread baking competition, a lecture on the history of kilts by Rocky Roeger, owner of USA Kilts and representatives of Celtic clans and societies. Children will enjoy the Celtic crafts in the activity tent.

Celtic Classic runs from Friday through Sunday in downtown Historic Bethlehem. For more information log on to www.celticfest.org.

CELTIC NOTES

Performances

Celtic Cultural Alliance's Celtic Classic event is in downtown historic Bethlehem, Conestoga, Spring, Main and Lehigh streets areas. Hours are 4 to 10 p.m. Sept. 23; 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sept. 24; and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sept. 25.

The five stages feature international, national and regional artists; Celtic Classic Invitational Pipe Band Competition; U.S. National Highland Athletic Championships; "Showing of the Tartan" Parade; haggis and fiddle competitions; Celtic merchandise and collectibles and a cultural children's activity area.

For information, schedules, directions, volunteer opportunities, visit Twitter (@CelticClassic); Facebook ([facebook.com/CelticClassic](https://www.facebook.com/CelticClassic)); www.celticfest.org/2021-celtic-classic-festival-information/ and www.celticfest.org/important-celtic-classic-information/

Pet reminder

Celtic Fest advises no animals except animals that are specifically trained to aid



From 2019, the Ceol Neamh Pipe Band's drum corps and midsection marches by. Each pipe band is made up of two parts that include bagpipes with the other part called the drum corps and mid-section.



Jennifer Curreri of the band Emish performs on flute to an excited audience during the 2019 festival. Curreri plays flute, trumpet, whistles and provides vocals.

a disabled person defined under the American Disabilities Act should be kept at home. Noise, crowds and hot pavements might be too much for them. Visit <https://www.celticfest.org/festival-directions-shuttle-and-parking/>

Accessibility

The Celtic Classic grounds are wheelchair-accessible. Due to the large size and natural terrain, it can be difficult to navigate the grounds with a wheelchair. You must have a state-issued placard

to park in the limited street handicapped reserved parking spaces. Handicapped parking is available on Conestoga and Lehigh Streets. For more information, visit www.celticfest.org/festival-directions-shuttle-and-parking/

Festival map

Visit www.celticfest.org/2021-celtic-classic-map/ (marked 2021 but is for 2022).

First aid locations

Grand Courtyard on Spring

St. (see map). First Aid only. If additional treatment is necessary, an ambulance will transport you to the hospital. Charges will be made by the appropriate hospital and ambulance service. First Aid stations sponsored by Lehigh Valley Network, Bethlehem.

Available ATMs

There are three ATM machines on-site in the Grand Marketplace.

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Festival Unbound opens Sept. 28

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ICE HOUSE- The Loft Theater at the Ice House, hosting The Saturday's Child Family Series and The Ice House Tonight Series, is now under the leadership of the Ice House Performing Arts Collaborative for cultural equity and the emerging artists of Bethlehem.

Wine pairing dinner Nov. 10

ArtsQuest and partner Jay Nee of Juniper and Grain invite you to the next installment in its dining series centered around rare wines and gourmet food pairings from around the world. This dinner will center on the sunshine state with Cruise the California Coast at 6:30 p.m., Nov. 10. The evening features a delectable four-course dinner created and prepared by ArtsQuest's culinary partners Levy Restaurants. Tickets which includes wine, food and server gratuity are now available on steelstacks.org.

Event benefits victims of sex trafficking

Bloom for Women, Inc., a Lehigh Valley nonprofit organization providing sanctuary and a continuum of care to heal, empower and employ women survivors of sex trafficking, announces it will be holding its Justice Revival fundraiser dinner Sept. 28 from 6-9 p.m. at the Aster Event Center at Hyatt Place in Allentown.

The dinner supports Bloom's expansion of services to serve pregnant survivors of sex trafficking. Recently, through the generosity of an anonymous donor, Bloom was able to purchase a residence in Allentown, the Mountain Laurel House. Pregnant survivors will receive two years of safety while they heal, deliver and care for their baby, attend parenting classes and receive mentoring and vocational training. Graduates will have a plan for living independently beyond their time at Bloom. The goal of the fundraising campaign, named "Welcome Home," is to raise \$300,000 to cover the capital and operating costs of the home for the next two years.

For more information on sponsoring or registering for this event, visit: <https://bloomforwomen.kindful.com/e/justice-revival>.

Farm food festival Oct. 16

The Monocacy Farm Project will host the seventh annual Monocacy Farm Food Festival, a family-friendly event for the whole community Oct. 16 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 395 Birdle Path Road. The festival will feature local food and artisan vendors, crafts and activities, farm tours, Bob Swaim's unique collection of bikes and toys, a petting zoo, chef demo, live music, raffles and more. The first 100 individuals/families will receive a goodie bag.

An admission donation is expected. Free parking is available. All proceeds benefit The Monocacy Farm Project, a nonprofit educational farm initiative that grows and freely distributes fresh, healthy produce through our partners in the emergency food system including area soup kitchens, food pantries and other organizations throughout the Lehigh Valley. The MFP includes a "pick-your-own" program, community gardens, educational programming for all ages and abilities, and a variety of volunteer opportunities that engage youth and adults.

For updates / more information, visit the Monocacy Farm Food Festival's Facebook page:

Through Friday, September 23

Downtown Historic Bethlehem Scarecrow Showdown contest. Three categories: Open (ages 18 and over), kids only and businesses. Purchase kits online or in person, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and 9 a.m. to noon Fridays; drop off scarecrows between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. from Sept. 19 to 23; all at the Bethlehem Chamber Office, Suite 240, 74 W. Broad St. Visit <https://getdowntownbethlehem.com/scarecrow-showdown/>

Wednesday, September 21

Cops 'n Kids Reading Room. Age three and up. Masks are mandatory. 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Fowler Center, 511 E. Third St. For information, visit www.lvcopsnkidslv.org

Afternoon dance. Jim & Robin. Nominal cost includes light refreshments. 1 to 3 p.m. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Call 610-437-3700 for information or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

Thursday, September 22

Bethlehem Farmers' Market, Southside. Thursdays, till Oct. 25. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Farrington Square, intersection of New and Morton streets.

Lehigh Valley Pops Orchestra rehearsals, 9- 10:30 a.m. Conductor: George Fennell. For information and to register, visit <https://lvactivelife.org/registration-for-classes/or> call 610-437-3700. Snare drummer needed.

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"The U.S. Supreme Court has held that parents have a constitutional right to raise their children without undue state interference ... At least in theory, when the state intervenes, the state is not supposed to be trying to put the child in the best situation possible, but rather must protect the child from harm and keep families together if at all possible."

Solangel Maldonado
Seton Hall University

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How should the system work, and what changes are needed?

BY THERESA O'BRIEN
Special to the Bethlehem Press

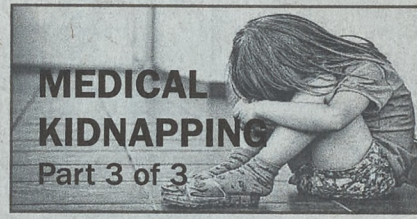
No one wants to see a child harmed, whether the bad actor is a parent or another adult. However, some families unjustly accused of child abuse, as well as family rights advocates, argue that the system is biased too far in the direction of suspicion and doesn't demand enough proof before separating parents from their children—particularly when it comes to the relatively new accusation of "medical child abuse."

Chronic or complex medical conditions afflicting children, mandatory child abuse screening as part of the pediatric hospital admissions process, and deference shown by courts and other physicians to child abuse pediatricians can combine to tear apart families where no wrongdoing has occurred.

This is the final article in a three-part series delving into the concept of medical child abuse and how it affects families challenged with unusual medical conditions. In this series, we share the perspectives of affected families, family rights attorneys, and legal scholars to illuminate this dark corner of the child protection system and point a way toward the better future that is possible.

In the first two parts of this series, two families told their stories of separation after unfounded accusation of abuse. Attorneys and a law professor also shared their insights about flaws in the system. In this final part, we hear from legal scholars who explain how the system is intended to work, and the types of legal changes required to restore families' rights.

The way the system is supposed to work
What should prompt the state to intervene in family situations, and what form should that intervention take? The Press spoke with Solangel Maldonado,



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Solangel Maldonado is the Eleanor Bontecou Professor of Law at Seton Hall University, where she teaches family law, feminist legal theory, race and the law, and international and comparative family law. She is also co-editor of Family Law: Cases and Materials and Family Law in the World Community, and serves on the editorial board of the American Bar Association's Family Law Quarterly.

the Eleanor Bontecou Professor of Law at Seton Hall University to understand the backdrop for medical abuse charges. In addition to her role at Seton Hall, Maldonado is also a member of the American Law Institute (ALI), where she is one of the reporters of the Restatement of Children and the Law.

ALI is a nonprofit organization, founded in 1923 and com-

posed of attorneys, judges, and law professors who write Restatements of the Law in various areas, summarizing existing laws and court decisions clarifying how these laws are applied. These restatements are treated as secondary authorities, meaning that judges are not required to defer to them, but often do use them as guidance.

"The U.S. Supreme Court has held that parents have a constitutional right to raise their children without undue state interference," Maldonado explains. "Parents have a lot of autonomy to make decisions about their children. The state is not supposed to intervene unless the decisions place the children at significant risk of substantial harm. At least in theory, when the state intervenes, the state is not supposed to be trying to put the child in the best situation possible, but rather must protect the child from harm and keep families together if at all possible."

In the Restatement of Children and the Law drafted for ALI, Maldonado and her co-reporters note that "This relatively high threshold recognizes that although abuse and neglect clearly harm children, state intervention can also harm families and children."

Another constitutional principle included in the restatement is that "the state's goal is to assist parents to provide adequate care to their children, not to remove children from their homes if other assistance suffices. Thus, the state will remove children only when serious harm or the substantial risk of serious harm cannot otherwise be averted."

Maldonado elaborates on this last point, noting that the state can utilize "medical guardians" to safeguard a child's best interests while keeping his family intact.

"If a parent refuses to comply with medical treatment that the child's providers agree is

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9 p.m.	Kilmaine Saints
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12:45 p.m.	Chivalrous Crickets
2:15 p.m.	The McKrells
3:45 p.m.	O'Grady Quinlan Dance Academy
4:30 p.m.	Steel City Rovers
6 p.m.	Across the Pond
7:30 p.m.	O'Grady Quinlan Dance Academy
8:30 p.m.	Emish
Ice House	
9 a.m.	Youth Fiddle Competition
1:30 p.m.	Across the Pond
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4:30 p.m.	Blackwater
6 p.m.	Gerry Timlin
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1:30 p.m.	Grade 4 Pipe Band Competition
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12:30 p.m.	Fig for a Kiss
2 p.m.	Gerry Timlin
3:30 p.m.	Dave North Trio
5 p.m.	Rogue Diplomats
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8 p.m.	Low Lily
Celtic Heritage Hollow	
11 am-5 pm	Children's Activity Tent
11 am-5 pm	Delaware & Lehigh Heritage Corridor
11 am-5 pm	Robert Moulant - Irish Marionettes
11 am-5 pm	Clans & Societies
10:30 a.m.	Celtic Song Writing Contest
11 a.m.	Scottish Shortbread Contest
12 p.m.	Music Workshop - Steel City Rovers
	Jigs, Reels, Strathspeys - What makes Celtic music so unique
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SUNDAY	
Highland Field	
10 a.m.	16lb Hammer Throw
11 a.m.	Open Stone
11 a.m.	28lb Weight for Distance
12:45 a.m.	Athletes lunch
1:15 p.m.	56lb weight for height
2:45 p.m.	Caber Challenge
3:15 p.m.	Kid's Highland Games
4 p.m.	Athletic Awards
4:15 p.m.	Scholarships / Awards presentation
4:45 p.m.	Massed Bands
5 p.m.	Grade 3 Band Awards
5:30 p.m.	Wayside Farm Border Collies
Grand Pavilion	
11 a.m.	Fig for a Kiss
12:30 p.m.	Mudmen
2 p.m.	Steel City Rovers
3:30 p.m.	Glengarry Bhoys
5 p.m.	O'Grady Quinlan Dance Academy
6 p.m.	Jamison
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5:45 p.m.	Mudmen
Ice House	
10 a.m.	Ecumenical Service
12 p.m.	Glengarry Bhoys
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11 a.m.	Celtic Poetry Competition
12 p.m.	Music Workshop - Steel City Rovers
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1 p.m.	O'Grady Quinlan Dance Academy
2 p.m.	Children's Celtic Storytelling

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necessary to protect the child's health," Maldonado says, "the court may, in some cases, appoint a medical guardian to make sure the medical decision is adhered to," while the child continues to live in his home, with his parents. "To the extent that the state has to intervene, the state is supposed to intervene as little as possible."

When a family has received different medical advice from different doctors, and "there is substantial medical support for the parent's choice of treatment," Maldonado explains, the state is supposed to respect the parents' right to determine which treatment to follow. "There are cases where doctors disagree. [...] he restatement's position is that when there is a disagreement among physicians, the parents should decide."

Where to go from here

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill law professor Maxine Eichner explains existing family law and jurisprudence similarly to Maldonado. In a recent law review article, she asserts that guidance for how the state should handle medical child abuse (MCA) charges already exists as a matter of constitutional doctrine.

"The limits that courts have traditionally imposed on government intervention in medical neglect cases are instructive in the MCA context," she says. "[W]hile different courts phrased the legal tests [...] in slightly different ways, at their core, they authorize the state to intervene in parents' decisions regarding a child's medical care only when compelling circumstances are present. That requires three things."

"First, the state's preferred course of treatment must be compelling in the sense that all the child's medical doctors agree that it is the correct one. Second, the state's preferred course of treatment must be both likely to result in great benefit and to pose few countervailing risks to the child. Third, the threat to the child's health from [pursuing the parents' preferred] treatment must be significant."

Recalling the Justina Pelletier case, Eichner points out, "When two sets of physicians fundamentally disagree about diagnosis and treatment, the decision maker best positioned to resolve the conflict is generally not a court or child protection official who has spent little to no time with the child. Instead, it is the parent who knows the child best, is most motivated to ensure their welfare, and who has seen the child's medical issues develop over time."



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Too often, however, in the emerging field of MCA allegations, neither this view nor the protections afforded to parents by the Constitution are respected. States may need to spell out parents' constitutional rights in order for them to be honored in child protective services (CPS) proceedings.

In a forthcoming article in the American Association of Matrimonial Lawyers Journal, "When the Helping Hand Hurts," Eichner proposes a few ways to change the system to restore fairness to families.

"First, state legislatures can pass statutes that, as a substantive matter, clarify the appropriate boundaries between parents' legitimate exercise of their constitutional rights, on the one hand, and genuine child abuse and neglect, on the other," she writes.

Eichner highlights the following section of the ALI's Restatement of Children and the Law as appropriate guidance for reform legislation: "A parent's [health-care] decision is entitled to deference when licensed medical doctors disagree about the diagnosis or appropriate course of treatment and [...] the parent's decision [...] is based on an acceptable standard of care or practice in the medical profession sufficient to shield the recommending doctor from liability for negligent diagnosis or treatment."

If the recommending doctor could not be subject to malpractice liability based on his or her diagnosis or treatment, [...] the parent's selection of the treatment [is within his or her authority] even if it is not recommended by the majority of doctors."

Another state law change that Eichner endorses is one that went into effect in Texas in September 2021, requiring Texas family courts and CPS workers to consider second opinions obtained by caregivers, instead of solely those offered by child abuse pediatricians (CAPs). The new Texas law also requires CPS to consult with specialists at the request of parents, the parents' attorneys, or other doctors. These amendments to the Family Code (Section 261.3017 of Texas Statutes) are, in part, the result of the aforementioned series of exposés published by NBC News and the Houston Chronicle.

Finally, Eichner says, "For those claims of medical abuse that make it to the courtroom, legislatures should also mandate that MCA 'diagnoses' be excluded as proof in abuse proceedings. Excluding such diagnoses would require that the government actually meet its burden to prove all the elements of legal abuse, as they are required to do by law, rather than evade this burden by means of diagnostic fiat."

She says that an MCA diagnosis is a legal diagnosis masquerading as a medical one, a sentiment similar to that voiced by family rights attorney Diane Redleaf in her book, "They Took the Kids Last Night." A CAP's diagnosis of "abuse" based on an examination of a child and/or a review of his medical records, Redleaf points out, is an individual doctor's contention about parents' or caregivers' actions and intentions, and that doctor is usurping the function of a judge or jury by labeling such a legal conclusion a "medical diagnosis."

Regardless of whether states change their laws, as Texas has, Eichner believes attorneys representing families should "vigorously seek to enforce parents' rights to medical decision making in cases in which medical abuse or medical neglect has been charged" by "rais[ing] the issue of parents' constitutional rights directly [and] seek[ing] to exclude admission of MCA 'diagnoses' as both a violation of parents' rights and as scientifically unreliable."

Most American families will never be placed in the position that the Kruegers who were separated from their three children for more than a year. For those who are, access to good legal representation is crucial, and changes to the law cannot come soon enough.

Smoke Alarms at Home
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.

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- People who are hard-of-hearing or deaf can use special alarms. These alarms have strobe lights and bed shakers.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.

Friday, September 23

Celtic Classic 35th anniversary, Sept. 23 through 25. Downtown historic Bethlehem, Conestoga, Spring, Main and Lehigh streets areas. Hours are 4 to 10 p.m. September 23; 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sept. 24; and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sept. 25. Schedules, contests, information: visit www.celticfest.org
Closing Day: "Town and Puppet: Backstage Drawings". Illustrations, hand-made puppets by Doug Roysdon of Mock Turtle Marionette Theater. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. City Hall Rotunda Gallery, 10 E. Church St. Masks optional. CDC Covid regulations enforced. Visit www.bfac-lv.org.

Cops'n Kids on the Greenway Summer Storytelling Series: "Go Fly a Kite, Charlie Brown!" by Charles M. Schultz. 4- 6 p.m. Free. BeCaHi peers, city health bureau, city police, Cops 'n Kids volunteer storyteller. Information: visit www.facebook.com/pg/CopsnKidsLehighValley/posts/

Elm Street Jazz Workshop rehearsals, 9 a.m. Director: Allan Meyerson. 1633 W. Elm St. Allentown. For information and to register, visit <https://lvactivelife.org/registration-for-classes/> or call 610-437-3700.

Saturday, September 24

Bethlehem Rose Garden Farmer's Market, till Oct. 29. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Rose Garden (corner of Eighth Avenue and Broad Street). Weekly live music, activities.

Saturday night dance. Glenn Kakowski. Nominal 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, September 25

Saucon Valley Farmers' Market, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Till November 20. Hellertown Library area, 409 Constitution Ave., Hellertown. Food, fun, live music, fresh produce, local goods, artisans. Visit www.svfmpea.com/

Tuesday, September 27

Good Vibrations Chorus led by Nancy Shumaker. All singers welcome. 9:30 a.m. Lehigh Valley Active Life, 1633 W. Elm St., Allentown. Call 610-437-3700 for information or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

September 28 - October 2

Festival Unbound - Five -day-local, arts-infused community celebration and conversation to engage our community through art and civic dialogue in envisioning our future together. Some events are free, and some are ticketed. 321 E. Fourth St. Information: visit www.touchstone.org or call 610 -867 -1689.

Wednesday, September 28 to Saturday, October 1

Festival Unbound coffee hour, lunchtime, and happy hour conversations about the future of our community, moderated by Touchstone Ensemble Member Christopher Shorr. Some events are free, and some are ticketed. Information: visit www.touchstone.org

Wednesday, September 28

Festival Unbound opening celebration with Broughal MS choir, event performers, and festival artists-in-residence John Gorka, New Folk Movement singer-songwriter, and Mark Valdez, community organizer. Barrio outdoor stage. 7-9 p.m. Information: visit www.touchstone.org or call 610 -867 -1689.

Cops 'n' Kids Reading Room. Age three and up. Masks may be mandatory. 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Fowler Center, 511 E. Third St. For information, visit www.lvcopsnkidslv.org

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Doing a bike check as they gear up for the LEPOCO Bike/Walk-a-Thon at Rosemont Lutheran Church are, from left, Amanda Zaniesienko, the Rev. Jack Steltzer, Scott Slingerland and Diane Dilendik. The event is slated for Saturday, Oct. 15. LEPOCO's offices are housed at Rosemont.

LEPOCO ride/walk set for Oct. 15

BY TAMI QUIGLEY
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

The wheels are turning for the Bike/Walk-a-Thon sponsored by the Lehigh-Pocono Committee of Concern (LEPOCO) to grow funds for its continuing work for peace and justice. The event is scheduled for Oct. 15, beginning at Rosemont Lutheran Church, where LEPOCO's offices are housed in the church basement.

The local peace group has worked locally since 1965 to build a just society and a peaceful world through nonviolent action.

"We hope to break last year's record amount of more than \$3,000 in pledges," said Diane Dilendik, convener of the planning committee.

The event, first held in 1979, will kick off at Rosemont at 1705 W. Broad St., where the LEPOCO Peace Center moved its offices in June 2020 in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. Participants will gather on the front lawn beginning at 8:30 a.m. for a light breakfast, bike safety check, and registration and body warm-up. Participants will leave promptly at 9 a.m. to walk 4.5 - 6.5 miles or bike 23 miles.

Participants will ask co-workers, friends and family to sponsor them for a dollar-per-mile amount or a flat fee. For those not able to collect pledges, a minimum \$10 self-pledge is suggested.

When participants complete their route, pledges will be collected and go to LEPOCO to help support its work. The event will wrap-up at Rosemont by about noon.

Nancy Tate and Amanda Zaniesienko are LEPOCO coordinators. Joining them in bringing the event to fruition on the planning committee are Dilendik; Scott Slingerland, director of CAT - Coalition for Appropriate Transportation, who mapped out the bike route; and Walt Garvin.

Walkers will start at Rosemont and walk through lovely West Side neighborhoods to the towpath and back on the South-Side Greenway. A shuttle back to the church will be available from the parking lot near the tennis courts on Sand Island. If walkers take the shuttle, the route will be 4.5 miles, or 6.5 miles if they walk back to the church.

For bikers, the route is a blend of neighborhood streets and multi-use trails that highlights how to peacefully connect the LEPOCO Peace Center to Bethlehem's SouthSide Greenway Trail and the Saucon Rail Trail in Hellertown to the turn-around at Upper Saucon Township Community Park. This route is 59 percent on paved/gravel trails, 19 percent on quiet rural roads, 17 percent on neighborhood streets and 10 percent on urban connec-

tor roads. Instead of going over the mountain, bikers will be going around it.

Slingerland mapped out this bike route that was first used last year.

"People liked it," Slingerland said, as Dilendik added, "It's fun without being overly difficult - no big hills."

The Rev. Jack Steltzer, pastor of Rosemont, will participate as a rider for the second consecutive year.

"I'm looking forward to it," he said. "I've lived here over 20 years and many places on the route are new to me. It's always a fun ride seeing new places."

Maps will be provided at the start. The ride/walk will take two to four hours to complete. A LEPOCO support vehicle will be on-call to assist tired participants or bikers with problems such as flat tires.

"It's a supported group ride/walk," Slingerland said, explaining restrooms will be available as well as stops for drinks and snacks.

Riders are encouraged to take their bikes to CAT at 1935 W. Broad St. for a complimentary mechanical check before the event.

Participants who accumulate the most pledges win prizes supplied by, among others, Aard- See LEPOCO on Page A6



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LEPOCO

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Transportation, Bethlehem; Nature's Way Market, Easton; Nineteenth Street Theatre, Allentown; and Saucon Valley Bikes, Hellertown.
 The event will be held in light or intermittent

rain. If there is a steady rain, call the LEPOCO Peace Center for confirmation. Rain date is Sunday, Oct. 16 at noon. Anyone interested in biking or walking may contact the LEPOCO

Peace Center for pledge sheets at 610-691-8730. For more information on LEPOCO visit <https://www.lepoco.org/>.

Three important events are marked

BY MARIEKE ANDRONACHE
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

LEHIGH COUNTY

Approval was given Sept. 14 to Commissioner Antonio Pineda's resolution that Lehigh County Commissioners recognize and honor National Hispanic Heritage Month in the Lehigh Valley from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15.
 Pineda told his fellow commissioners 28 percent of the Lehigh Val-

ley has Hispanic roots. He made the point of how the important it is to recognize and celebrate the contributions these individuals have made right here in our community.
 Historically, California Congressman George E. Brown first introduced the idea of a commemorative week to

celebrate Hispanic contributions to American society in 1968. President Lyndon B. Johnson later extended this to an annual event with a presidential proclamation.
 President Ronald Reagan again extended the event to National Hispanic Heritage Month.

Suicide Awareness
 Across Pennsylvania, one person dies by suicide every four hours. As part of Suicide Awareness and Prevention Month, commissioners invited Coroner Dan Buglio to speak at their Sept. 14 meeting. This led to a discussion amongst commissioners on the importance of focusing on mental health, and letting individuals who are in need of help of how important it is to seek it.
 Forty-seven lives have been lost to suicide so far this year, according to Buglio. That number doesn't even come close to representing toll on family members, friends, and others whose lives were touched by the deceased.
 This is why, he told commissioners, his office works in community support. "It's heart-breaking."
 Commissioner Goeff Bryce said a collective effort must be made to raise awareness treat mental health with the same importance as

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Wednesday, September 21
 NorCo Election Commission, 3 p.m., Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton
 NorCo Personnel and Finance Committee, 4 p.m. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton
 NorCo Capital Projects, 5 p.m. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton
 Hellertown Borough Zoning Hearing Board, 6:30 p.m. 685 Main St.
 Fountain Hill Council, 7 p.m. 941 Long St.
 Hanover Twp. LeCo Council, 7:30 p.m. 2202 Grove Road, Allentown.

Thursday, September 22
 Bethlehem Redevelopment Authority, 5 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St.
 Hanover Twp. NorCo Zoning, 7 p.m. 3630 Jacksonville Road.

Monday, September 26
 Bethlehem Twp. Planning Commission, 7 p.m. Municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.
 Bethlehem Area School Board, 7 p.m., East Hills Middle School auditorium.
 Bethlehem Historic Conservation Committee, 6 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St.

Tuesday, September 27
 Hanover Twp. NorCo Supervisors, 7 p.m. 3630 Jacksonville Road.
 Saucon Valley School Board, 7 p.m., Audion building, 2097 Polk Valley Road. Community members attending in person should enter the high school via Door #19 or #20. Meetings will be live-streamed via the District's YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/channel/UCOYgEsENQ14ggy1K0I9rEA/videos
 Individuals wishing to speak at a Board meeting do so during Courtesy of the Floor to Visitors on agenda items only or during Citizens' Inquiries or Comments consistent with Policy 903.

Wednesday, September 28
 Bethlehem Parking Authority, 4 p.m. 85 W. North St.
 NorCo Industrial Development Authority, 4 p.m., Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.
 Bethlehem Twp. Zoning Hearing Board, 6:30 p.m. 4225 Easton Ave.
 Lehigh Co. Commissioners, 7:30 p.m. Public hearing room, Gov't. Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.
 Bethlehem City Zoning Hearing Board, 6 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St. Meetings: visit www.youtube.com/channel/UC4HYHr4C6mVbfrXhWYXaJw

Cars & Coffee

Thursday, September 29
 10:00-11:30am

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Northampton County

Gun buy back set for Oct. 1

The Northampton County District Attorney's Office will be holding its first Gun Buyback event Saturday, Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with the assistance of the Colonial Regional Police Department, City of Bethlehem Police Department, Hecktown Fire Company and the Bethlehem City Fire Department.

The event will be held rain or shine and is entirely anonymous. County residents do not need to show proof of ID. Residents will receive payment ranging from \$50 to \$200 in grocery gift cards based upon the condition of each weapon.

Residents are asked to safely transport their firearms - unloaded and in the trunk of their vehicle to either drop off location:

Hecktown Fire Company, 230 Nazareth Pike, Lower Nazareth Bethlehem City Fire Department, 2412 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem

Rifles, handguns, shotguns and semi-automatic weapons will be accepted. Ammunition is also accepted but not for payment. Once the firearm is surrendered, it becomes the property of the police department. All guns go through a ballistic test to see if any are evidence in unsolved crimes. If so, those will be retained as evidence, while all other weapons will be destroyed.

PEOPLE

Holguin receives University of Scranton stole

Steve Holguin, '22, of Bethlehem, participated this past May in the University of Scranton's Donning of the Stole Ceremony. The event highlighted the students overcoming the barriers and obstacles faced by students, particularly students of color, in attaining higher education.

Holguin earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering with a minor in Spanish. He was a member of the Spanish Club, was treasurer of the Radio Club and a member of the IEEE-HKN Honor Society. He assisted with the multicultural club and the Festival of Nations. He completed an internship with Casper HQ and the Spain Pamplona Internship at the University of Navarra.

Lader exhibits at Muhlenberg College

Jacob Lader, of Bethlehem, presented his work at a Muhlenberg College Studio Art Honors Thesis Class exhibit opening on April 9 at Gallery Petite, Brooklyn, New York. The honors thesis is a continuation of the cumulative undergrad experience from the fall semester.

He participated in a second spring gallery opening on May 2, in the Martin Art Gallery, Baker Center of the Arts, Muhlenberg College.

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physical health.

Commissioner Bob Elbich reminded everyone that suicide rates among first responders is higher than the average and that most of these individuals are volunteers. Commissioner Jeffrey Dutt added that there is also a

high suicide rate among veterans.

988 is the new National Suicide Prevention Hotline for anyone needing help and facing some type of distress.

Operation Green Light for Veterans in the Lehigh Valley

Operation Green Light is a yearly tradi-

tion to honor the sacrifices made by those who made immeasurable sacrifices to preserve our freedom.

Commissioners spoke at length on the importance of being there and supporting our country's veterans as they transition from active duty to civilian life. Commissioner Zach Cole-Borhi said,

"We should support all veterans. It is a failure when one falls through the cracks."

Dutt reminded everyone of the importance of saying "thank you" to our veterans.

Lehigh Co. encourages citizens and businesses to light a green light in their window from Nov. 7 to Nov. 13.

Pa. Ghost gun regulations in effect

Governor Tom Wolf announced Aug. 24 the new federal rule aimed at cracking down on ghost guns and keeping weapons out of the hands of criminals is now in effect.

Federally licensed firearms dealers in Pennsylvania that sell or distribute partially completed frames or receivers that would allow a person to build a gun at home are now required to conduct background checks before selling or transferring those parts, which will be completed by the

Pennsylvania State Police.

"Gun deaths are at an all-time high across the nation and right here in Pennsylvania," Wolf said. "We can prevent some of this tragedy by keeping weapons out of the hands of those who can't pass a background check. Today, thanks to the Biden Administration, we are able to do just that - if you can't pass a background check to purchase a fully assembled gun, you also won't be able to purchase the

PCFRs to build your own gun at home. This is long overdue, and we're ready to implement this rule in Pennsylvania immediately."

The final rule by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives took effect Aug. 24. The final rule implements several changes, including changes to the definition of "frame or receiver." In addition, the changes in the final rule require federally licensed firearms dealers to conduct background

checks on purchasers and transferees before selling or transferring PCFRs. In accordance with its role as the state and federal point of contact for dealers to conduct the required federal background checks, the PSP will conduct the newly required background checks for dealers.

Ghost guns have been recognized as a fast-growing safety concern for the United States. In recognition of this, the PSP began officially tracking

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GUN

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seizure of and recovery of ghost guns from crime scenes in 2021. Philadelphia began tracking these same numbers in 2019. Philadelphia recorded 95 seizures and recoveries in 2019, 250 in 2020 and a startling 571 in 2021. PSP recorded 24 seizures and recoveries in 2021. Combined, PSP and Philadelphia have recorded 334 to date in 2022.

Wolf has worked throughout his administration to combat gun violence in Pennsylvania and even to specifi-

cally address incidents involving ghost guns.

“We tried, through a legal opinion from our office, to implement background checks for these untraceable weapons in 2019 but were quickly blocked from doing so by litigation from the gun lobbies,” Attorney General Josh Shapiro said. “With these new federal regulations taking effect and being implemented in our Commonwealth, we are making it harder for gun kits to end up in the hands of criminals and easier for law enforcement to track crime guns in their investiga-

tions.”

Efforts to curb gun violence in Pennsylvania include:

- In 2019, Wolf signed an executive order making sweeping changes to gun violence in Pennsylvania including the creation of a Special Council on Gun Violence.

- Wolf has invested more than \$50 million in grassroots, community gun violence prevention programs around the commonwealth.

- In December 2021, Wolf vetoed Senate Bill 565, legislation that would have removed licensing and background check requirements for

concealed carry permits and overturned Philadelphia’s requirement for a permit to open carry.

•In January of this year, he vetoed House Bill 979, which would discourage local jurisdictions from attempting to regulate firearms.

•In his final budget, Wolf committed \$160 million to preventing violence in Pennsylvania communities.

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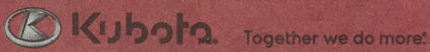
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Yesterday: Darin Ruf and other Phillies

BY JEFF MOELLER
Special to the Press

Remember Darin Ruf?

The ex-Phillie ironically is a current member of the New York Mets. Yet, back in 2012, Ruf was one of the Phillies' all-time phenoms. He will always be remembered for his record-setting August with the Fightin' (Reading) Phillies.

In this week's version of my Yesterday column - a look back at memorable events in the 1960s, 70s, 80s and sometimes beyond - I'll take a look back at some enduring memories and events of early September.

That Hot August: Ruf had a month that no minor or major leaguer ever had. His 20 home runs tied Sammy Sosa's record for four-trippers in a month. For August, Ruf hit .371 with 20 homers and 36 RBIs with a slugging percentage of .931. His Phillies' career wasn't as fortunate.

Ruf spent five seasons with the Phillies through 2016, but he never got his career on track. He finished with a .240 average with 35 homers. The outfielder/first baseman later played three years for the San Francisco Giants and hit .248 with 32 homers. Ruf did flourish with Samsung of the South Korean League, as he hit .313 with 86 dingers in three seasons. He signed a free agent contract with the Mets through 2023, but he is struggling at the moment.

Hard to Believe, Harry: Last week, Richie Ashburn tragically passed away on Sept. 9, 1997 in New York after a Phillies-Mets game. Ashburn, 70, died from a heart attack. Ashburn's broadcasting career began in 1963, and he and the late Harry Kalas formed arguably the most entertaining duos over the Phillies' airwaves.

A few days later, a large crowd of fans paid tribute to him, passing by his casket in Memorial Hall located in Philadelphia's Fairmount Park. Ashburn was inducted into baseball's Hall of Fame in 1995.

Who replaced Ashburn in the booth? Phillies 'reliever Larry Anderson took over in the following season. Anderson became one of the most colorful and entertaining analysts in club history.

Beam me up: "Space, the final frontier..."

Another memorable event occurred last week when Star Trek made its TV debut on Sept. 8, 1966 and its run ended on June 3, 1969. Surprisingly and unknown to most, the show was canceled after

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PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

Jalen Fletcher of Freedom puts a hit on a Nazareth player during last week's victory over the Blue Eagles.

Becahi, Freedom get key wins

BY PETER CAR
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Kyle Haas was hoping that his Bethlehem Catholic football team would gradually improve each week throughout the season. Following a 24-19 victory over Liberty last week in the first installment of the city rivalry this season, the Hawks (3-1) showed a glimpse of what they may be capable of if they can put it all together.

A week after seeing the offense sputter in a loss to Nazareth, the Hawks looked more explosive on that side of the ball, racking up 367 yards of total offense to put away Liberty (1-3) at BASD Stadium.

The Hawks trailed 13-12 and 19-18 in the second half, before quarterback Luke Thomas sneaked in from a yard out with 4:57 left in the fourth quarter for the go-ahead score.

The Hawks held Liberty on 4th-and-7 from the Becahi 35-yard line on the ensuing drive and ultimately ran out the clock with their rushing attack to ice the game.

"It's a credit to our kids when we said the offense has to catch up to the defense," Haas said. "I thought Luke can even get better, even though he played well. I'm proud of how they battled back in this game and it's nice to see that

our kids are responding to the coaching. To be 3-1 at this point feels good."

Thomas threw for 243-yards and a touchdown, and added two scores from the ground despite playing with a sprained foot, but the play of wide receiver Eric Wert helped put the Hawks in position to win. Wert hauled in a 47-yard reception on a crucial third down on the Hawks go-ahead drive to set up Thomas' game-winning plunge. He finished the night with seven catches for 154-yards.

"That was a big play," said Haas. "This week we had a little more time to stretch the field and

Luke made some really good throws. I'm really pleased with the progress he's shown."

For Liberty head coach Shawn Daignault, the night was another missed opportunity for his ballclub. After trailing 12-6 at halftime, Liberty jumped out on top in the third quarter following a 27-yard TD run by Jayden Rosado to make it 13-12. Becahi answered with a 17-yard TD catch by Jaiden Ellis-Lahey to close out the third ahead 18-13. Rosado would score from three-yards out with 8:52 left in the game to make it 19-18, before Becahi would take control of the game.

"I think the difference in the game was our inability to control the line of scrimmage in the first half," said Daignault. "I'm proud of how we played in the second half, but it's a lot of little things that are costing us to close out these games in the second half. It's not even stuff so much during the game. We're still trying to build habits in practice so that when we come out here on Friday's they're already trained for these situations."

Rahmel Terry was back in action after missing the Nazareth game and ran for 100-yards and a score for

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Hawks top LHS, Emmaus up next

BY JEFF MOELLER
Special to the Press

Bethlehem Catholic head football coach Kyle Haas figured it was going to be a close game with Liberty.

After the Golden Hawks' 24-19 win over Liberty, he was right.

"It was another nail-biter," said Haas. "It seems like the last five games have been decided by around a touchdown or less."

"I was proud of our effort. We made some assignment errors that we have to clean up if we want to continue to win."

With their victory, Beca improved to 3-1, and they are suddenly in the thick of the East Penn Conference (EPC) North race, tied with Nazareth (3-1) and on the heels of unbeaten Emmaus (4-0), who they will host Friday.

The Golden Hawks will have plenty of momentum and motivation after the Liberty win.

Haas cited the play of quarterback Luke Thomas (15-for-23, 245

yards, TD two rushing TDs), wide receiver Eric Wert (7 for 154 yards), running back Rahmel Terry (100 yards, TD), and wide receiver Jayden Ellis-Lahey (4 catches, 67 yards).

He also credited the play of his defense, which has shined in recent weeks.

"We gave Liberty the ball a few times in our territory and they capitalized," said Haas. "We are happy to be 3-1 but there is plenty of room for improvement."

The Golden Hawks will meet an Emmaus squad, which demolished East Stroudsburg North, 70-6, last Friday. They beat Beca, 41-3 last season.

"Emmaus is a well coached football team who has some great individual talent," offered Haas. "Offensively and defensively, they give you a lot of different looks. We are going to have to take that next step in our progression if we want to compete with them. I expect a

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PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN

Luke Thomas of Becahi dives across the goal line for a touchdown as Liberty's Jordan Bartholomew tries to stop him.



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Barker, Vital help lead 'Canes to golf title

BY JEFF MOELLER
Special to the Press

For the Liberty golf team, the beat goes on.

The Hurricanes defended their East Penn Conference (EPC) title Monday afternoon as they downed Nazareth, 301-322, at Old Homestead Golf Course. Liberty entered the tournament with an overall 18-0 record.

Northampton was third (337); Stroudsburg, fourth (345); Emmaus, fifth (347); Parkland, sixth (360); Freedom, seventh (362); and Pocono Mountain East, eighth (372).

"We just take one match at a time," cautioned head coach Steve Bradley. "We had some people missing from our lineup, and everyone filled in well and picked

up the slack.

"Our guys have been playing well, and we'll see what happens."

Jimmy Barker and Matt Vital took top honors for the Hurricanes, as they both carted a 74. Michael Vital was second with a 75. Jase Barker and Freedom's Krish Patel both finished fourth with a 78.

Vital expects his team to have a long road

ahead.

"The season has been great all around," he said. "We all have played pretty well and stepped up when others didn't have their days. We feel a lot of pressure after missing out last year.

"We feel like we have to go far this year with three seniors on this team. We not just have to make it to states, but

contend for the title."

Freedom head coach Mike Evans was happy with his team's performance. The Patriots finished the year with a 10-5 mark and were fifth in the EPC. Patel and Jason Grillo led the team with averages of 76 and 82 respectively.

"That was our goal going into the season, so we are pleased," he said. "Krish and Jason were

very consistent for us.

"Dhruv Patel and Louie Pagano and sophomores Nick Hoffman and Matt Heineman also helped with regular scores in the 80s. Heading into the EPC tournament, we had hoped to finish in the top five as a team, and an individual in the top 10."

SOCCER

Pates lose to Trojans

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Freedom boys soccer coach Tyler Nolan saw more reacting than anticipation from his second-half Patriots in their 5-2 loss to Parkland last Friday afternoon at Freedom.

The Pates and the Trojans were even at halftime after Parkland made the first strike with a sixth-minute goal from Trevor Grice on an assist by Jack Maier, and eight minutes later, Freedom's Dominik Roszkawski scored on an assist by Michael Deluhery.

But Parkland scored twice, early in the second half when, as Coach Nolan said, the Patriots suffered some breakdowns in those opening minutes.

Freedom junior Finn Aschenbrenner brought the Patriots back to within one goal on an assist by Roszkawski in the 49th minute. It was Aschenbrenner's first of his varsity career.

"It was wide open space. Dom had a very nice turn and we prac-

tice it all the time, so I just had to put it away," Aschenbrenner said. "I think it brought up the energy and it kind of put a fire under our butts to keep us going. Definitely I was very excited and my teammates were excited for me."

So the Patriots were right back in it; that was until Ty Sosik's header put the Trojans up by two goals again.

"I think our energy kind of went down," said Aschenbrenner. "We were excited about the goal and then we didn't get another one, so we were a little discouraged and the energy kind of dropped."

Freedom goalie Michah Lawser made double-digit saves in the absence of starting keeper Tristan Willey, including five saves in the closing minutes.

"He did well. We didn't do much for him defensively. We were a little bit all over the place," Nolan said. "Parkland does a good job of overloading the side, making you shift out, so I was looking to

rearrange them more, get some communication going. We were right back in it after Finn's goal. It just, unfortunately, didn't get us over the finish line."

Liberty recently knocked off Stroudsburg 3-0.

The Hurricanes got goals from Josh Lee and Dylan Lewis, along with an own goal from the Mounties.

Brady Vaclavik and Tanner Horvath picked up assists in the victory.

All three Liberty goals came in the second half.

Liberty also fell to Allen, 3-2.

Allen had goals from Baraka Moize, Jose Barrios and Diego Severo. Assists came from Severo and Moize.

Liberty's goals came from Kaique Costa Duarte who scored both. Josh Lee and Dylan Lewis had assists.

Allen's Emiliano Gomez had 4 saves and Martin Severo saved 3. For Liberty, Johnny Smith saved 6 and Owen Cassel 3.



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Anya Johns and the Patriots fell to Nazareth in a recent game.

Freedom girls fall to Nazareth in soccer

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Freedom's girls soccer team is holding its own with a record of 3-3-1 while dealing with injuries and dropping a recent match to Nazareth, 3-0, last Wednesday at Freedom.

"We really haven't seen our unit play together yet this year, but I'm really looking forward to when we're at full strength, getting through the injuries we're dealing with," said first-year head coach Sean McIntyre. "We didn't make any cuts this year, so the girls are out here working hard, building with what we have, and the girls are buying in, so it's exciting."

Patriot goalkeeper Megan Raffino made five saves in Freedom's game against Nazareth, almost stealing the Blue Eagles' first goal from Caroline Meneely when Raffino jumped and got

her hands on the ball before it fell in behind her.

Meneely followed up with a free kick to the top left corner five minutes later to make the score 2-0.

"It's digging deep, but you give up two, it's very difficult to win games when you give up more than one goal, so it's a tall task," Coach McIntyre said. "Just go out with the mentality it's a 0-0 game is where I was coming from [at halftime], and let's work these next 40 minutes and put out our best effort."

The Patriots were able to keep Nazareth shots in check while taking a few of their own. Anya Johns took a pass from Abigail Plasco for an attempt, and Tess Zalutsky, currently on minute restriction for an injured hamstring, took a shot that went high and wide.

Then, in the 76th minute, Kylee James scored on an assist by Chloe

Guerra for the Blue Eagles.

"I think we got to the point where we were so in tune with putting passes together that we deserved to get a goal, and I was right in the position where it was a perfect pass from Chloe, so it was just right there," James said. "From past games, we'd dribble through and not shoot, so we've been practicing finishing every single goal, so this game our coach (Ziggy Lewis) wanted us to focus on shooting from distance because they have a strong, solid defense."

This week, the Patriots will compete in their first city rivalry match of the season when they travel to Bethlehem Catholic on Thursday afternoon.

"After the first few games, I'm happy with where we're at, and I see this team continuing to improve as the year goes on," said McIntyre.

Pates Boyle is first

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Bethlehem Catholic, Freedom, and Liberty's cross country teams competed in an Eastern Pennsylvania Conference season opener against Pleasant Valley, Pocono Mountain East, and Pocono Mountain West on Sept. 13 in a meet hosted by Pocono Mountain East.

Freedom's boys defeated Pleasant Valley, 17-42, Pocono Mountain West, 16-47, and Pocono Mountain East, 20-35.

The Patriots had three runners in the top ten, including first-place finisher Dylan Boyle (17:37).

Joe Bauer came in fourth (18:20) and Ryan Parkin was eighth (19:23), both for the Patriots.

Liberty's boys defeated Pleasant Valley, 15-50, Pocono Mountain West, 15-50, and Pocono Mountain East, 17-44.

The Hurricanes had four harriers in the top ten: Emrick Leshko taking second place (18:18), Owen Reilly in third

place (18:18), Cole Ruhf placing fifth (18:45), and Jack Huie in sixth (19:01).

Bethlehem Catholic's boys defeated Pleasant Valley, 24-33, and Pocono Mountain West, 18-45, but lost to Pocono Mountain East, 29-26.

Mekhi Britt came in 10th for the Golden Hawks.

Also in the top ten were Pocono Mountain East's Evan Seymour in seventh place (19:08) and Jacob Anlauf in ninth place (19:33).

Fihlman takes top spot

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After a two-week lay-over since high school cross country invitational meets that took place in late August and early September, Bethlehem Catholic, Freedom, and Liberty were back on course for an Eastern Pennsylvania Conference season opener on Sept. 13 in a meet hosted by Pocono Mountain East where Bethlehem took on the Poconos.

Freedom's girls defeated Pleasant Valley, 21-36, Pocono Mountain West, 15-50, and Pocono

Mountain East, 15-50.

Freedom's Ava Fihlman won the girls race (20:13), and teammates Amelia Holden came in fifth (23:08) and Aubrey Yeager placed sixth (23:30).

Liberty's girls defeated Pleasant Valley, 15-48, Pocono Mountain West, 15-50, and Pocono Mountain East, 15-50.

Maddie Mumma took second place (21:24), Kendell Terefinko was seventh (23:39), Mikailyn Matacavage came in eighth (23:41), Emily Orrico placed ninth (23:42), and Emily Haas was

10th (23:46), all for the Hurricanes.

Bethlehem Catholic defeated Pleasant Valley, 16-42, Pocono Mountain West, 15-50, and Pocono Mountain East, 15-50.

Margaret Burke finished in fourth place (22:46) for the Golden Hawks.

Pocono Mountain West's Kayla Meier took third place (21:55).

Bethlehem's girls teams will have competed in Week Two undefeated on Tuesday, past Press deadlines.

LHS set for showdown

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There are certain dates on the calendar that teams circle before the season or as the days pass during a campaign.

This Thursday is one of those for Liberty's volleyball team, as the Hurricanes enter a road showdown against Emmaus.

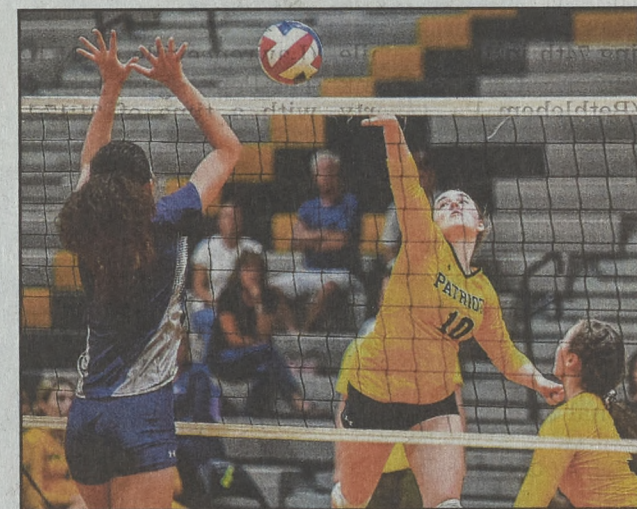
It's a matchup that will pit the top two undefeated teams in District 11, with the top spot in the East Penn Conference and the D11 4A power ratings on the line.

For Liberty head coach Connor Swigart, it's a night that everyone will be looking forward to.

"Emmaus is going to be a big match for both squads at the end of a physically and emotionally exhausting week," Swigart said. "We are both ranked in the top 10 of the state, so whenever those matches happen, it's exciting to see where we are doing well and what we need to improve on."

The heavyweight battle will be the last one in a long week for the 'Canes (7-0), as they have three straight days of contests heading into Thursday night.

With Freedom, Southern Lehigh and Allen on deck this week, managing each match will be a



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Veronica Jaskowski and the Pates are looking to stay alive for a postseason berth.

task in itself going into Thursday.

"It will certainly test our conditioning, depth and grit as a team," Swigart said. "Freedom is always emotionally taxing due to the rivalry and they have gotten the better of us the past few years, so we want to change that. Southern Lehigh is a very young and talented team so they will always give us a good fight."

With the real fight coming against the Hornets (8-0), Swigart knows he'll need his team's best effort from the start to gain an upper hand in the match.

"We saw them in a tournament so we have an idea of what they like to do, but that was then and this is now," he said.

"We have to take it one point at a time. Their gym is very loud so we want to be the ones dictating energy and play."

Bethlehem Catholic (5-3) is atop the D11 3A power rankings despite falling to Central Catholic last week in five games.

With matches against Dieruff and Whitehall this week, the Hawks shouldn't have any issues piling up two more wins in their column.

Freedom (3-4) kept their postseason hopes alive with two straight wins last week, sweeping Dieruff and East Stroudsburg North.

The Pates now have a brutal week with Liberty, Central Catholic (4-3) and Nazareth (6-2) on tap.

BALL

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physical football game. "We haven't played our best game yet. We will be tested again this week."

NOTES AND PREDICTION: Emmaus has allowed 45 points in four games ... Nine different players found the end zone for the Green Hornets last week ... Starting quarterback Jake Fotta threw for two touchdowns, and backup Jo-

siah Williams tossed four of them ... Wert has 18 catches for 270 yards on the season, and Ellis-Leahy has 12 catches for 181 yards. Thomas is 53-for-90, 645 yards, and four TDs for the season ... This is as big as a game for the Golden Hawks over the last few years. They have some momentum on offense with Thomas, and the defense has played lights out the past few weeks. Emmaus is a tall order here, and the Green Hornets have been tested

by Allentown Central Catholic (12-7), Freedom (19-13), and Whitehall (27-19). They haven't dominated a team this year. Beca has some mojo going, and they need to avoid turnovers. There is something special with this team, and the Golden Hawks can soar here. Haas expects a tight game, and it will be. However, he will need to send me a couple of cheesesteaks from Carl's ... GOLDEN HAWKS, 21-17

GRANDINETTI RECORDS 28 ASSISTS

The DeSales University volleyball team recently gave up late leads in each of the first two sets to fall behind 2-0 but

rallied to win the last three sets earning a 3-2 win at local rival Moravian University in non-conference action.

DeSales won: 22-25, 22-25, 25-15, 25-22, 15-10. Junior Grace Grandinetti (Freedom) had 28 assists.

AREA VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS SHINE

The Moravian University women's volleyball team posted a 3-0 sweep over Baruch (N.Y.) College recently.

Senior setter Natalia Matos (Bethlehem, Pa./Bethlehem Catholic HS) was selected as the tournament's Most Valuable Player after running the Greyhounds' offense with 23 assists and 14 digs while senior libero Gabby Mancini (Coopersburg, Pa./Allentown Central Catholic HS) earned a spot on the All-Tournament Team with 10 digs, six service aces and five assists against the Bearcats.

Freshman outside hitter Caroline Melillo (Plymouth Meeting), sophomore middle blocker Jenna Deegan (Easton) and junior middle blocker Grace Silfani (Bethlehem, Pa./Notre Dame HS) each had five kills in the match with Deegan adding six digs.

Junior middle blocker Autumn Marrero (Bethlehem, Pa./Liberty HS) contributed four service aces and three kills while junior de-

fensive specialist Allie Ludlow (Willow Grove) added 10 digs and freshman defensive specialist Tamara Vasquez (Clifton, N.J.) had eight digs.

The Moravian University women's volleyball squad jumped out to a 2-0 lead but ended up falling to DeSales University, 3-2, recently.

Junior middle blocker Autumn Marrero (Bethlehem, Pa./Liberty HS) had five kills, three service aces and a pair of blocks while sophomore right side hitter Mackenzie Krasley (Zionsville, Pa./Emmaus HS) contributed four kills, three digs and two blocks.

Senior setter Natalia Matos (Bethlehem, Pa./Bethlehem Catholic HS) paced the Hounds offense with 35 assists to go with a team-high 26 digs and two kills.

Junior middle blocker Grace Silfani (Bethlehem, Pa./Notre Dame HS) posted three kills and three blocks.

The Moravian Uni-

versity women's volleyball team fell to undefeated Ursinus College, 3-0 by set scores of 25-19, 26-24, 25-20, in the Greyhounds' final match at the Neumann University Knights Invitational Saturday morning.

Senior setter Natalia Matos (Bethlehem, Pa./Bethlehem Catholic HS) recorded 31 assists and nine digs while junior defensive specialist Kat DeYesso (Sellersville, Pa./Pennridge HS) led the Greyhounds with 20 digs and senior libero Gabby Mancini (Coopersburg, Pa./Allentown Central Catholic HS) added 15 digs and a pair of assists.

Junior middle blocker Grace Silfani (Bethlehem, Pa./Notre Dame HS) had four kills while freshman defensive specialist Tamara Vasquez (Clifton, N.J./Clifton HS) contributed 12 digs and two service aces junior defensive specialist Emily Szy (Bethlehem, Pa./Freedom HS) had six digs.

Pete's Top-10: More shifting in poll

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Week 4 of the football season produced an array of results that threw the poll for a loop heading to the midpoint of the season, but one team managed to stay in the same spot and that was Emmaus.

The Green Hornets had the easiest week of anyone, but that changes when they take on Bethlehem Catholic Friday night in one of the premier showdowns in the EPC this week.

The other one is Freedom visiting Central Catholic on Saturday night, as both teams are coming off huge victories last week.

Nazareth drops a few spots from its first loss of the season, while the Trojans take the biggest tumble of anyone.

Some newcomers make their first appearances in the poll, in what is shaping up to be an epic Week 5 of contests.

1. Emmaus (4-0)
Last week's rank: #1
Hornets will be in a battle this week.

The Pick: Emmaus 20 - Bethlehem Catholic 13

2. Central (3-1)
Last week's rank: #6
After a huge win last

week, Central is back on the grind against Freedom.

The Pick: Freedom 24 - Central Catholic 21

3. Nazareth (3-1)
Last week's rank: #1
How will Nazareth respond to its first taste of defeat?

The Pick: Nazareth 31 - Liberty 14

4. Freedom (2-2)
Last week's rank: #6
Is this the time of year the Pates go on another run?

The Pick: Freedom 24 - Central Catholic 21

5. Northampton (4-0)
Last week's rank: #4
Kids get their first fight of the season, but they'll overpower East Stroudsburg South.

The Pick: Northampton 28 - ESS 14

6. Parkland (2-2)
Last week's rank: #3
Trojans are lacking consistency, but should get on track in this cornfield rivalry.

The Pick: Parkland 35 - Whitehall 21

7. Bethlehem Catholic (3-1)
Last week's rank: #7
Hawks are on the rise, but not sure they

have enough to topple Emmaus.

The Pick: Emmaus 19 - Bethlehem Catholic 13

8. Whitehall (2-2)
Last week's rank: Not ranked
Zephs crack the poll after their impressive win at Cottingham, but can they hold on?

The Pick: Parkland 35 - Whitehall 21

9. No. Lehigh (4-0)
Last week's rank: Not ranked
Bulldogs make an appearance in the poll after another blowout, but get North Schuylkill this week, which should produce a ton of points.

The Pick: Nolehi 45 - North Schuylkill 35

10. Pleasant Vy (4-0)
Last week's rank: #8
Bears get one last tuneup before playing a real team next week against Parkland.

The Pick: Pleasant Valley 27 - Pocono Mountain East 13

Last week's record: 6-2
Season total: 22-9
Teams that dropped: Southern Lehigh, East Stroudsburg South

Teams that entered: Whitehall, Northern Lehigh

MORAVIAN BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

The Moravian University men's cross country squad opened the 2022 season by finishing seventh of 11 teams at the Lehigh University Invitational Friday evening at the Goodman Campus. The Greyhounds had 196 points while Villanova University on the meet by taking the top five individual spots.

Freshman Bryan Kerchner (Phoenixville, Pa./Phoenixville HS) rounded out the Moravian top runners by taking 74th in 19:37.7 while junior Casey Frank (Bethlehem, Pa./Liberty

HS) was 91st in a time of 20:02.0. Sophomore Geoffrey Kleinberg (Emmaus, Pa./Emmaus HS) was 96th in 20:11.0 while sophomore Jake Farrell (Downingtown, Pa./Downingtown West HS) had a time of 20:13.9

Rounding out the Greyhounds' lineup were junior Brendon Ward (Emmaus, Pa./Emmaus HS) with a clocking of 20:22.6, freshman Joe Allegro (Colts Neck, N.J./Colts Neck SH) in 20:36.7, freshman William Cooper (Lawrenceville, N.J./The Pennington School) with a time of 21:17.1,

senior Christian Jancsarsics (Bethlehem, Pa./Freedom HS), who ran 21:24.0, freshman Jackson Gaffney (South Plainfield, N.J./South Plainfield HS) with a time of 22:11.0, senior Elias Aviles (Lancaster, Pa./J.P. McCaskey) in 22:25.9, junior Paul Petre (Macungie, Pa./Macungie) at 23:11.4, sophomore Wyatt Poniktera (Bath, Pa./Northampton HS) with a time of 23:39.9 and freshman John Breslin (Bath, Pa./Northampton HS) with a clocking of 23:33.2

Rounding out the top five for the Hounds were sophomore Catie Lovett (Vernon, N.J./Pope John XXIII HS) in 60th with a time of 26:13.0 and freshman Tori Champagne (Rockaway, N.J./Morris Hills HS) one spot back in 61st in 26:13.5.

MORAVIAN WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

The Moravian University women's cross country team opened the 2022 season with a seventh place finish of eight teams in the Lehigh University Invitational Friday evening at the Goodman Campus. The Hounds scored 206 points while LaSalle

University won the meet with 53 points.

Sophomore Amber Poniktera (Bath, Pa./Northampton HS) was the next Moravian runner to finish, placing 52nd in a time of 25:11.1 while senior Rachel Byrne (Bethlehem, Pa./Liberty HS) took 55th in

25:21.3. Rounding out the top five for the Hounds were sophomore Catie Lovett (Vernon, N.J./Pope John XXIII HS) in 60th with a time of 26:13.0 and freshman Tori Champagne (Rockaway, N.J./Morris Hills HS) one spot back in 61st in 26:13.5.

DARTS, TRAPSHOOTING

DARTS

SUBURBAN DART LEAGUE
Week 2

With a sweep of Light of Christ 7-5, 17-14 and 4-3 in 11 innings, Star of Bethlehem moves into sole possession of 1st. Leading the way for Star of Bethlehem were Kyle Taylor 7-14, Walt and Scott Hoffert 6-15 each, Tyler Frankenfild 5-15 (HR), and Zoie Coranodo 4-13 (HR). Andy Mickelson was 7-14, Eric Harper 6-15 (HR), Norm Schoenberger 5-14, with a HR from Todd Jones for Light of Christ.

Christ UCC lost the nightcap 1-0 after winning 4-1 and 2-0 over defending champ Dryland. Top hitters for Christ UCC were Dave Shaver 4 -7 (HR), Eric Yocum 4-11 (HR), with HRs from Susie Gasper and Steve Hunsicker, and Keith Laudenslager with a walk. For Dryland, Butch Silfies was 5-11, Earl Sigley 5-12, Rich Durn 4-10, and Lou Dervarics 4-11.

After losing the opener 4-2 to St. Paul's, Ebenezer came back to win 5-2 and 2-1 in 14 innings on John Weiland's HR. Hitters included Paul Yoder 6-13 (HR), Conner Lankey 4-14, Charlie Constanzo 4-14 and a HR from Joey Blevins, while John Hoysan went 5-14, Paul Slimmon also 5-14, and Larry Kneller 4-13 for St. Paul's.

Emmanuel sandwiched 7-2 and 3-2 wins around a 2-1 loss to Farmersville. For Emmanuel, Chuck Achenzie was 4-11, Kim Williams 3-9, with HRs from Al Nesbit and Jon Rice. Sue Grim and Gene Grim were 5-12 each for Farmersville.

Week 1

As we return from the summer defending champs Dryland sandwiched 5-0 & 5-3 wins around a 2-1 loss to Farmers-

ville. Hitters for Dryland were Shawn Sigley 5-12, Bernie Yurko 4-12 & Earl Sigley with a HR. For Farmersville, Kyle Campbell was 4-11 & Tom George 4-12.

Star of Bethlehem beat St. Paul's 2-0 & 7-3, losing the nightcap 5-4. Leading hitters for Star of Bethlehem were Scott Hoffert & Bill Hoke Jr. each going 5-12, while Rich Kern went 6-12 & John Hoysan 5-10 for St. Paul's.

After losing 7-0 to Light of Christ, Christ UCC came back to win 4-2 & 5-1. For Christ UCC, Jason Matula had a 3 run HR in Game 2 with Garry Hunsicker hitting a 2 run HR in Game 3. For Light of Christ, Norm Schoenberger was 6-12 & Steve Harper 4-10. Also, there was 3 steals of home for the night with Light of Christ getting 2 & Christ UCC 1.

The final match of the night saw Ebenezer sandwiching 5-4 & 7-3 wins around a 5-4 loss to Emmanuel. Top hitters for Ebenezer included Brendan Blevins 7 for 12, Carol Voortman 6-13 with HRs from Jim Voortman & Zane Blevins. Jim Hill was 5-12, Al Nesbit 4-11 with HRs from Bob Bast & Jeremiah Amiani for Emmanuel.

Standings

Star of Beth	5	1	.833
Christ UCC	4	2	.667
Ebenezer	4	2	.667
Dryland	3	3	.500
Emmanuel	3	3	.500
Farmersville	2	4	.333
St. Paul's	2	4	.333
Light of Christ	1	5	.167

TRAPSHOOTING

The Lehigh Valley Trapshooters League kicked off their 69th year at North End Rod & Gun Club on a beautiful late summer day.

Coplay
25 - Scott Jabs
24 - Jack Jabs, David Schaf-

fer
23 - Alan Onkatz, David Brader, Skip Trentalange, Edwin Palansky, Glenn Bruckno, Robert Koefler, Bruce Korsak
Lappawinzo
24 - Steven Buenzli, Mark Ryan

23 - Eric Flexer, Seth Tavares
22 - John Yarsevich, Craig Peischler

North End
25 - Allan Hunter, Jacob Bonser, Evan Karpyn, Brian Snyder, Wayne Kreisler Jr, Marc Grider, Ronald Weschler Jr, Irwin Dennis Jr, Travis Foose, Joe Teterbier, Jon Zadzora, Debra Hunter, Jonathan Hannahoe
Ontelaunee
25 - Thomas Motzku, Dennis Cacciola Jr, Gracie Heintzelman, Lorne Polansky, Michael Oswald

Pioneer
25 - Matthew Busch, Adam Kast, Sam Goll
24 - Jason Bond, Joe Stevko, Rich Hildenbrandt, Christopher Rader, Roger Muschlitz, Dawson Silfies

Rural
25 - Charles Roberts, Brian James, Ralph Weakland, Mike Endy, Jacob Madkiff, Matt Weis
Pocono Slate
25 - Tammy Van Blargan-Hensel, Ted Bowes

24 - Ray DiRisio, Drew Hensel, William Ross, Brandon Steinmetz, John Pratt
Team standings
North End 125
Ontelaunee 125
Rural 125
Pioneer 123
Pocono Slate 122
Coplay 119
Lappawinzo 116

DAY

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three seasons due to low ratings. Back then you were either Batman beatnik or a Trekkie. You rarely liked both shows.

The show gained notoriety through its syndication beginning in 1970, and it spun off various related series through the present day. Its true uniqueness is the show's enormous fan base due to syndication, not its original run.

Remember that rookie: It was Sept. 10, 1980, and the Phillies had a rookie on the mound named Marty Bystrom. Making his mark at Reading, Bystrom pitched a five-hit complete game, 5-0 victory over the Mets. He proved to be an integral part of the Phillies' championship run.

Bystrom won all five of his regular-season starts with a 5-0 record and a 1.50 ERA. Unfortunately, the rest of his professional career wasn't as successful. He had a brief stint with the Yankees.

A Wise Man: For Rick Wise, 1971 was the year. The right hander earlier tossed a no-hitter and hit two home runs in the process on June 23. A few months later on Sept. 18, Wise retired 32-straight batters in a 12-inning complete-game, 4-3 victory over the Chicago Cubs.

Wise capped his day with a walk-off, bases-loaded single in the 12th inning.

WIN

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the Hawks.

Becahi now gets ready to take on top-ranked Emmaus (4-0) Friday night at home, while Liberty travels to Nazareth (3-1).

On Saturday night, Freedom (2-2) registered their biggest win of the season, collecting a 45-35 victory over previously undefeated Nazareth.

The Patriots forced five turnovers on the night and racked up 365 yards rushing en route to a huge victory for the defending district

What's that smell?: In my teens in the late '70s, it was a huge event to try an aftershave and cologne in high school and into my early 20s

Back then, there usually were dark green, black, blue, or brown bottles. And, there were the legendary Avon cologne cars in shapes of various cars (ever have one of those from when your mom brought you from someone who sold Avon?)

Some of the more popular ones were Hai Karate (the Asian theme was big then), Musk, Brut (I still use it), Old Spice (you remember the whistling tune in the commercial?), English Leather, Jovan Musk, and the cool Ice Blue to name a few.

Frank N Furter: We all remember at least one visit to the Lehigh Valley Mall theater to watch the vintage film, "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" that was broadcast at midnight.

The event, filled with live actors, began in 1979 and ended in 2003. Do you remember the rice, bread, toilet paper and other props from the movie that were thrown by the audience? In the audience, you knew all the lines and songs and joined the crowd saying and singing them. It was a staple of growing up in the Lehigh Valley and beyond.

In its final showing, the theater was trashed, but there weren't any injuries, according to reports. It is a topic that usually arises when

you're talking about the past and growing up.

Another Classic Game: It has been fun lately to review some of the old games we played as kids.

One of the all-time classic ones is APBA baseball. I recall getting a set back in the mid '70s, and the version is still around today. It was high tech back in the '70s with the charts and the computer-like playing cards. There also were the dice, the one larger white one, in the cup.

The trick was to keep up annually with new cards for the rosters. There were some similar versions, but APBA was the king. It still is popular today.

Do you remember? Every week, I'll mention a likely forgotten player or manager, broadcaster, or sports figure from yesterday. Do you remember Phil-lies announcer Andy Musser? If the Phillies' broadcast team could be classified as a comedy team, Musser was a straight man. He was a calm, low-key presence among peers Harry Kalas, Richie Ashburn and Chris Wheeler.

Musser worked Phillies games from 1976 to 1997. He also broadcast Eagles, Sixers and Villanova basketball games as well as New York Knicks and Chicago Bulls games. Musser worked his share of baseball All-Star games and Super Bowls.

He retired in 2001 and passed away at the age of 74 in 2012.

five was huge."

Gaining their confidence back was even more important for the Pates, as they hit the road for another Saturday night affair this week when they travel to J. Birney Crum to battle Central Catholic (3-1), fresh off a win over Parkland last week.

"Confidence is the biggest thing," said Roder. "Being able to beat a top tier team was big for the kids. When you lose close games, sometimes doubt can creep in, but this was a huge win for us."

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Kid Scoop Together:

Lemonade Stand

Follow this "recipe" and start a lemonade stand of your own!



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STEP 1:

The Business Plan

You will need to invest a little cash to get started. Visit or call a local store to find out the cost of the items you need. Add up your costs to determine your price and profit. Here is what the math looks like:

EXPENSES:	
12 lemons cost	\$1.20
1 3/4 cups of sugar cost20
10 paper cups cost60
Total cost for 10 cups of lemonade:	\$2.00

INCOME:	
10 cups of lemonade at 50¢ each ...	\$5.00

PROFIT:	
(The money you make after covering your expenses)	\$3.00

On a hot day, you might sell 100 cups of lemonade! How much money would you earn?

STEP 2:

Make Big Signs

Make a big sign to attract people to your stand. If it is OK with your neighbors, put up several signs to direct people to your stand.



STEP 3:

Open Up!

A lemonade stand can be just a box or a portable table. Remember to smile and say "Thank you!" to every customer.

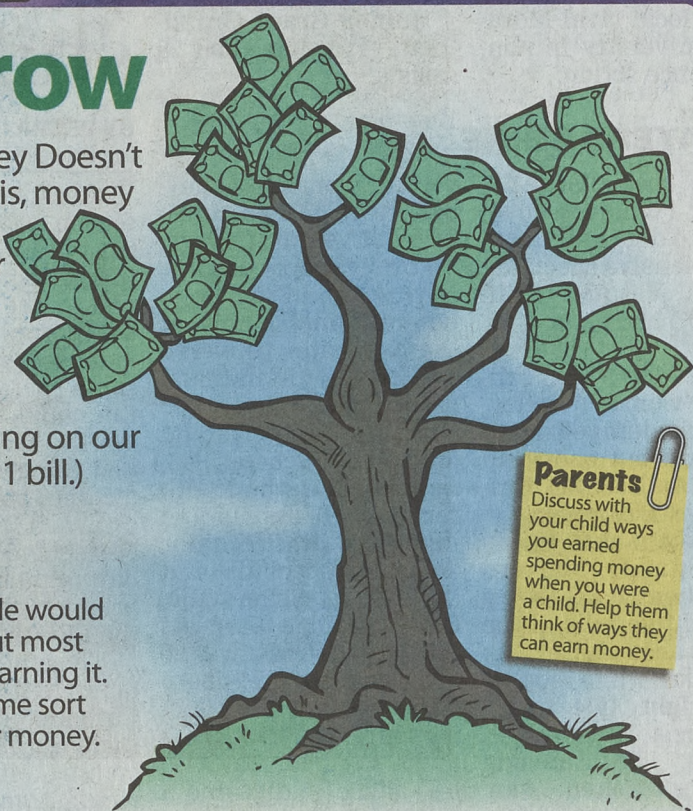


Making Money Grow



Have you heard the phrase, "Money Doesn't Grow on Trees"? The sad truth is, money does not grow on trees. We have searched the world over and can't find one anywhere.

But what if we did? It might look something like this. How much money can you find growing on our silly money tree? (Each "leaf" is a \$1 bill.)



Parents
Discuss with your child ways you earned spending money when you were a child. Help them think of ways they can earn money.

The Big Question

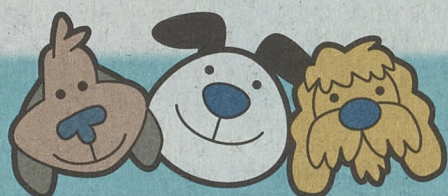
Do you plan how to use your money wisely — for spending, saving, investing and donating? But how do you get money to put in the bank?

It might be nice if people would just give you money. But most people get money by earning it. That means they do some sort of work in exchange for money. This is called **income**.



Earn it!

Complete each of these rhymes to discover ideas about ways kids can earn money.



Try this to earn some money:
Ask the neighbors on your block
If you can take their pooches
For a nice long

Can you think of three more ways you could earn some money?



With a box for a counter,
There's money to be made
From lemons, water, sugar
By selling



Earning money around the house
Really isn't super hard.
Just ask a parent if you can help
By weeding in the



Maybe someone that you know,
Maybe even right next door,
Would pay you a buck or two
To pick up something from the



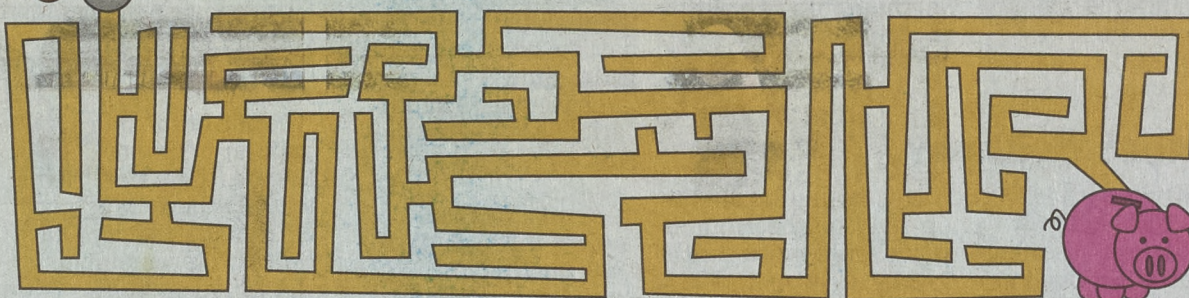
If you have some old toys
Here's an idea that will not fail:
You can make yourself money
By having a garage

Extra! Extra! Rhyming Words

Look through the newspaper for pairs of words that rhyme. Can you find five or more pairs in a short time?

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow written directions.

Put these coins in the bank.



Kid Scoop Puzzler

Olivia and Logan each set up a lemonade stand. Count how much money they each made. Who made the most?

Olivia



\$ _____

Logan



\$ _____

Double Double Word Search

- INVESTING
- DONATING
- INCOME
- LEMONS
- RHYMES
- GARAGE
- MONEY
- TREES
- TRUTH
- BLOCK
- GROW
- EARN
- BANK
- WORK
- KIDS

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

R	M	G	N	I	T	A	N	O	D
H	A	K	R	N	B	L	O	C	K
Y	I	N	A	C	G	M	Y	O	H
M	N	E	E	O	S	E	E	R	T
E	Y	G	R	M	O	W	N	W	U
S	N	O	M	E	L	W	O	R	
E	G	A	R	A	G	R	M	R	T
N	B	A	N	K	G	S	D	I	K
I	N	V	E	S	T	I	N	G	T

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word:
DONATE

The verb **donate** means to make a gift of or contribute.

Tom was able to **donate** a large sum of money to the school's fundraiser.

Try to use the word **donate** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Are numbers needed?

Find an advertisement in your newspaper. Rewrite the ad and substitute the words *many, few, several, etc.* for the numbers. Are the numbers necessary? Why or why not?

Standards Link: Math: Students solve problems and justify their reasoning.



What's the difference between a fake dollar bill and an angry rabbit?

ANSWER: One is bad money and the other's a mad bunny.

Write On!

How I Earn Money

How do you earn money? Do you do chores? What kind of jobs do you do?

Jonathan Beri, MD
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Work assembly line style to make, fill and stack boxes filled with food and hygiene items for children and families in need. Shifts available from 9 a.m. to noon through the end of the month, or 5-8 p.m. Sept. 29 at Feed the Children in Bethlehem. Minimum age 16 or 11 with adult. Contact Beth Baier, 610-541-2052, Beth.Baier@FeedtheChildren.org.

Become a lifeline for Lehigh Valley seniors. A rewarding volunteer opportunity awaits you as a volunteer driver with Independent Transportation Network Lehigh Valley. Meet new people and make new friends as you drive seniors to medical appointments, grocery stores, or to visit a loved one. Choose times, days, and areas you wish to drive. Must have own vehicle and clean driving record. All rides in Lehigh Valley area only. Minimum age 24. Contact Lois Favier, 610-419-1645, lois.favier@itnlehighvalley.org.

Help make a visit to the Lehigh Valley Zoo an experience for our guests to remember for a lifetime! Whether volunteering as a docent, crafts and activities volunteer, zoo clean team member, or in one of our other volunteer positions, you are helping our zoo in Schnecksville further our mission of conservation and education. Minimum age 13. Contact Katie Lerch, 610-799-4171, klerch@lvzoo.org.

Volunteer Coordinator needed to recruit new volunteers and/or promote opportunities for people who want more hours in their schedule for the Nazareth Center for the Arts. The Volunteer Coordinator will work with the Board to stay informed on administrative changes, schedule changes, etc. Contact Jenny Swanker, 484-554-5867, nazaretharts@gmail.com.

Sights For Hope is in search of compassionate and energetic individuals to assist clients with visual impairments during our weekly walk at the South Mall each Wednesday Morning from 9-10:30 a.m. Clients walk for exercise and need companions as sighted guides during this time. Sighted guide training provided, and current FBI criminal background check clearance required. Minimum age 21. Contact Rita Lang, 610-433-6018, ext. 225, rita@sightsforhope.org.

St. Luke's Allentown and Sacred Heart campuses are seeking adult volunteers to join our volunteer team. Help make a difference in your community in a variety of roles including staff and patient support on patient floors, OR Waiting Room, Infusion Center and more! We'll work with you to match your interests, experiences, and skills to opportunities throughout the St. Luke's network. Contact Liz Deck, 484-658-0297, volunteers@sluhn.org.

Join us Oct. 17 for our Open Gate Farm Tour at The Gress Mountain Ranch, Orefield. Help needed with many areas, including set up before the event at 10AM, visitor parking, bake sale table, food and beverage tables, 'gate keeper' for animal stalls, and breakdown after the event at 5 p.m. Minimum age 16 or 14 with adult. Contact Kathryn Gress, 610-398-2122, gressranch@gmail.com.

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



PRESS PHOTOS BY DENNIS GLEW

First thing in the morning, foursomes met and checked in, drank coffee, ate donuts and looked forward to a great day on the course. Here are George Kurtz, Jeff Frankenfield, Mike Hartigan and P.K. Ghatak. They would finish the day tied for third place.

In Support of a Bethlehem Institution St. Anne's School Golf Tournament

BY DENNIS GLEW
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Sunny, reasonably mild and with a light breeze, Aug. 19 was a beautiful day for golf, food, and fellowship at the Bethlehem Golf Club. Beginning at 7 a.m., 96 players gathered outside the pro shop, where volunteers from St. Anne's Church and School, the sponsor of the day's event, told each foursome its starting hole. After a prayer and blessing by St. Anne's pastor, the Rev. Anthony Mongiello, 48 golf carts (two per foursome) headed out to the golfers' assignments, and the 2022 St. Anne's School Golf Tournament

was underway. St. Anne's School was the beneficiary of the event. Opened in 1949, the school welcomed 292 students for the 2022-23 school year. Income from the golf tournament will be used to repair the school building's exterior wall on Hickory Street, which has developed cracks in the stucco. The tournament was planned as a four-person scramble. In a scramble the three players who hit the weakest shots simply move their balls to the better spot where the fourth golfer's ball ended up. This typically speeds up play. It also

gives weaker players a better score. Starting the foursomes at different holes eliminated a traffic jam at the beginning. As a result, a wonderful Italian meal could be served to the whole field beginning at 1:30. At the end of the day, the following golfers took the top places: (1) first place-Curt Hoyak, Tom McGorry, Eric Pacala, and Russ Pacala; (2) second place-Daniel M. O'Donnell, Matthew D. O'Donnell, Daniel F. O'Donnell, and B. Lincoln Treadwell; and (3) third place-Fred Rice, John Sverha, Alley Cade, and Matt Firman. Nine female golfers participat-

ed. Karen Gentoso, who played in a foursome with her friends, won the women's Longest Drive contest. Prizes offered at the tournament included exceptional awards for a hole-in-one at any of the four par 3's on the course. These were sponsored by Tom Kwiatek. At the 14th hole the prize was a Scotland golf experience for two people, an 8-day/7-night excursion including airfare, lodging and golfing at six courses (picked by the winner) which have hosted British Opens. Regrettably there were no holes-in-one this year.

COVID-19 UPDATE

LEHIGH VALLEY

LVHN offers new booster shot. Lehigh Valley Health Network's (LVHN) COVID-19 vaccination clinics will offer newly authorized and updated COVID-19 booster vaccines starting Sept. 12 and scheduling is now open.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) granted emergency use authorization recently for updated booster shots manufactured by Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna. Both new boosters were developed to better target against COVID-19 omicron variants BA.4 and BA.5, with BA.5 being the strain found in nearly 90 percent of current COVID-19 cases.

The newest Pfizer-BioNTech booster vaccine is authorized for those 12 and older and the new Moderna booster for those 18 and older for use as a single booster dose at least two months following primary or booster vaccination with the original vaccine formulation. Existing Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccines will continue to be used for the initial two-shot vaccination series of those vaccines, but not as boosters, federal officials said.

Scheduling can be completed through MyLVHN, the patient portal, at MyLVHN.org, with the MyLVHN app, or by calling the COVID-19 hotline at 833-584-6283 (833-LVHN-CVD). The hotline is open Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

For more information on COVID-19 vaccinations, visit LVHN.org/vaccines.



At Becahi and later at Penn State, Tom Donchez was a running back. He also ran for the Chicago Bears in 1975, playing all fourteen games that season. Tom is now a golfer. Here he drives on the fourteenth hole.



Warming up on the putting green, Vic Hudak, a former teacher at St. Anne's School, putted his shots closer and closer to the pin.



Principal of St. Anne's School Jim Krupa was nominated informally for wearing the most festive golf attire. To award prizes he was joined by three St. Anne's students.



What is your child getting into at the playground?

Last year, a half million kids were seriously injured at their neighborhood playgrounds. Learn how to keep your child safer by calling 1-800-824-BONES, or by visiting www.aaos.org American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons



Four friends who live near the course and play there every Tuesday joined in a foursome: (left to right) Becky Wilder, Jackie Lulewitz, Betty Vecchione, and Karen Gentoso.



As a busy but successful day winds down, Glenn Wightman of the Tournament Committee chats with Fr. Mongiello, pastor of St. Anne's.

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Lehigh DA to host trafficking recovery expert

District Attorney Jim Martin announced an upcoming visit from The Rev. Becca Stevens, of Nashville, Tenn., an author, speaker, Episcopal priest, founder and president of a nonprofit recovery model (Thistle Farms) that helps women survivors of human trafficking.

In 2019 in an effort to better combat human trafficking in Lehigh County and to aid its victims; a team of Lehigh Valley stakeholders led by Martin visited Thistle Farms in Nashville, Tenn. The trip was generously funded by The Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust.

Martin has invited Stevens, a founder of Thistle Farms, to visit the Lehigh Valley area Sept. 26 and 27 to meet with community leaders and others to educate the local community about human trafficking victims and the Thistle Farms model.

The Thistle Farms' recovery model is a two-year program that includes housing, health care, counseling, employment and other support for women who have a history of being trafficked and in many cases have an alcohol and/or substance use disorder.

The visit of Rev. Stevens is being graciously funded by The Leonard Parker Pool Institute for Health. District Attorney Martin expresses his sincere thanks and appreciation to the Institute for its help in this endeavor.

Lehigh County Auto Theft Task Force receives award

Lehigh County District Attorney Jim Martin announced in a news release dated June 1 that the Lehigh County Auto Theft Task Force, as well as other law enforcement agencies, received an international award for an investigation leading to the prosecution of a criminal organization stealing heavy equipment, utility trailers, commercial trucks and other equipment.

Criminal charges against several individuals for offenses committed in six Pennsylvania counties were consolidated and prosecuted in Monroe County.

The organization targeted heavy equipment, utility trailers commercial trucks and equipment from active highway construction sites and home construction developments throughout Lehigh, Northampton, Berks, Carbon, Monroe and Luzerne counties, according to the news release.

The investigation uncovered thefts totaling an estimated \$1 million and to date, \$500,000 in vehicles, equipment and tools have been recovered.

The award was presented to the following law enforcement agencies related to the investigation:

- Lehigh County Auto Theft Task Force members detectives Sal Aprile, Joseph Conway and Chad Wasserman. The Task Force is supervised by Chief Deputy District Attorney David J. Mussel.

- Pennsylvania State Police Auto Theft Task Force East and Central

- Pennsylvania State Police Troop N

- Monroe County Assistant District Attorney Mark Matthews

- Mount Olive Township Police and the National Insurance Crime Bureau.

LETTERS**Candidate threatens women's right**

To the editor:

The right to choose is an issue that is very important to me, and to many of the men and women that I know. I believe that every voter in PA 07 should know the difference between the two candidates, Rep Susan Wild (D) vs Lisa Scheller (R), and where they stand on reproductive rights before voting in several months time.

So, on that note, I believe Lisa Scheller threatens these rights. She is a threat to Planned Parenthood, which she has said she wants to defund. She is a threat to safe and legal abortion in Pennsylvania, and on a national level. She is a threat to reproductive health care everywhere, for everyone.

These statements might feel hyperbolic to you, but they shouldn't. Many of us could never have imagined that the Supreme Court would actually overturn Roe v. Wade, but they did. Now, one in three women do not have access to abortion care according to the New York Times. I do not want this statistic to rise any further.

I will be voting to re-elect Susan Wild to Congress, because she is a champion for the right to choose and a fighter for comprehensive reproductive care for all of us.

Faith Spirk
Fountain Hill

ANOTHER VIEW**Self @ 82**

I

The Body

Wobbles, waddles;
Bobbles, hobbles, toddles;
Totters, teeters;
Occasionally topples.
The comedy of a melting spine.

II

The Mind

Jumps and jives,
Moves and grooves,
Wheels and deals,
Laughs and weeps,
Sows and reaps;
Dances, prances, enhances;
Even romances.

III

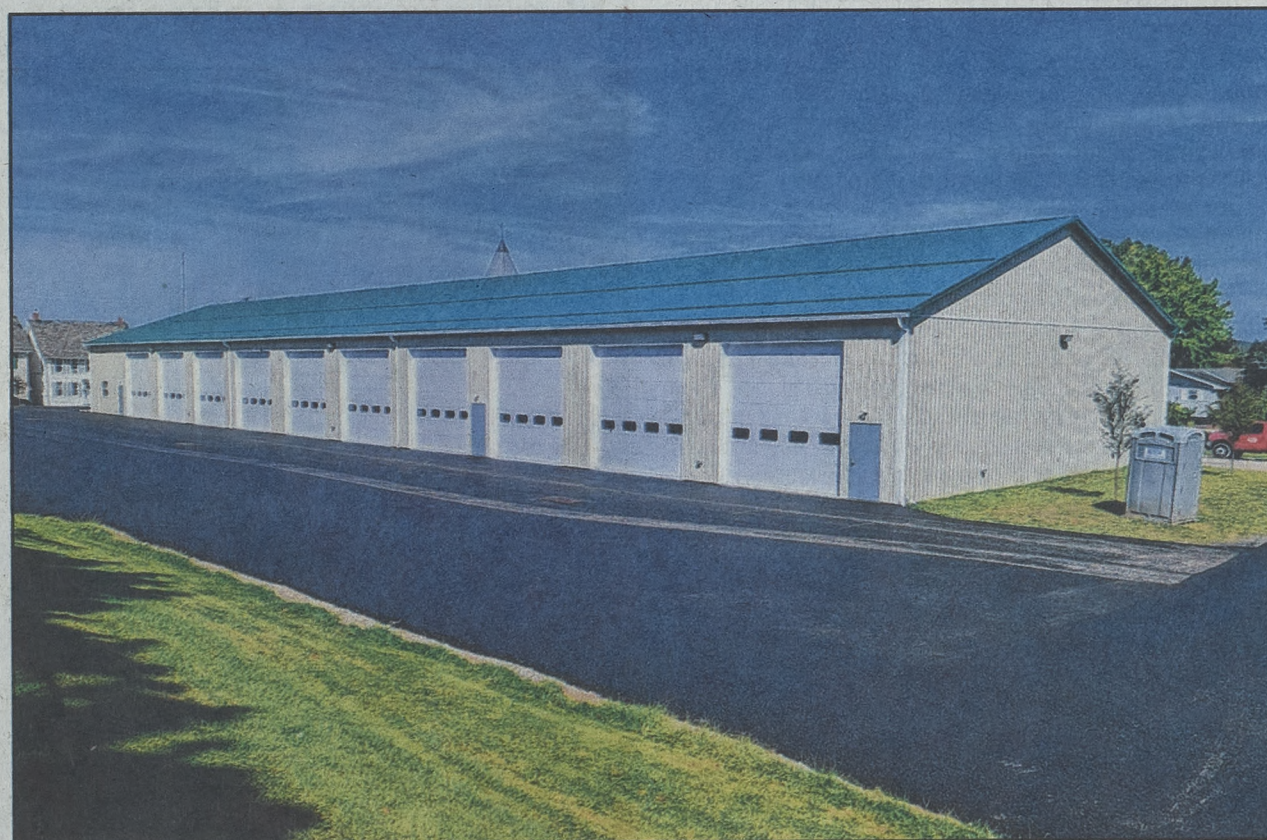
The Soul

Wonders, waits, anticipates;
Counting down while cleaning up;
Scrubbing Faith and dusting Hope;
Burying sin and gagging doubt;
Rationing fears, rehearsing tears.
Tremulously listening for his name to be called.

By Edward J. Gallagher
Bethlehem, Pa

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Borough councilors chose to table authorizing remaining payments to Pioneer Pole Building, Inc. for its new public works facility on Northampton Street due to unsatisfactory progress and excessive delays.

Public works project progress slow

BY CHRIS HARING
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Sept. 6 Hellertown Borough Council meeting was an eventful one, with multiple topics of local interest addressed.

First, however, a moment of silence was observed for borough Zoning Hearing Board member Marina Brekhounets, who council President Thomas Rieger said died "unexpectedly last month." More information about Brekhounets' passing was not immediately available, although Rieger mentioned that she'd been participating in meetings via Zoom for the past two-plus years.

Slow progress on the new Public Works building at the former Reinhard School site on Northampton Street caused the council to table two remaining payments totaling over \$200,000 to Pioneer Pole Building, Inc. for its construction.

With the facility still lacking a permanent power source and what council President Thomas Rieger and others characterized as the company's lackadaisical attitude toward finish-

ing the nearly complete project, no councilors motioned to advance the agenda item.

The council did, however, authorize two grant applications for Commonwealth Financing Authority funds to be used for extensive improvements to the site's adjacent Reinhard Park. Despite public works Director Barry Yonney's concerns over additional strain on his crew in maintaining the project in addition to their current commitments, Hartranft and Rieger assured him that it would likely not be until 2024 that any demands would come upon his staff.

In lighter news, Mayor David Heintzelman issued a proclamation celebrating the Saucon Valley Dance Conservatory's "Pearls" youth team, which earned a first-place award at a recent Breakout Dance Competition National Championship competition. The troupe, consisting of approximately a dozen local elementary-aged girls and their coach, "Miss Kris-

ten" Hancz, was in attendance.

The mayor was also charged with swearing in Blaiz Maguire as an officer with the Dewey Fire Company. Maguire is the son of retired company Chief Mike Maguire and has been serving in a volunteer capacity with the department since he was a teen.

Hellertown Area Library Director Noelle Kramer presented its 2021 Financial Statements. Notably, she thanked the council for its continued support of the library in light of its controversy involving former partner Lower Saucon Township. "Don't think [the support] has gone unnoticed," she said.

President Leah Casella of Saucon Valley Diamond Sports - the region's Little League baseball and softball organization - joined the meeting to provide an update on the organization's recent board elections. Interested parties can attend a monthly public meeting, which is held on the first Wednes-

day at 8:00 pm at the Field House, she said.

Heintzelman also provided an update on the borough's annual Spirit Parade, to be held this year on Oct. 23 in celebration of the 250th anniversary of Hellertown's incorporation. To "bring the community together and just have fun," a band and food will await parade-goers at the route's end at Dimmick Park, along with fire engines from Dewey, he said.

Borough Manager Cathy Hartranft introduced Sheri Eichlin as her recommendation for employment as Hellertown's new Administrative Assistant. Eichlin, who also worked in Upper Saucon and Upper Macungie Townships, was unanimously approved.

The council also unanimously backed a match commitment bid of \$10,000 for a \$20,000 Northampton County Public Safety Grant. If awarded, the \$30,000 total in funds would be used by the police department to replace eight tasers which Chief Robert Shupp said are obsolete.

HELLERTOWN**SOCIAL SECURITY MATTERS****Will husband's benefits continue after he dies?**

Editor's Note: After a long career in the data processing industry, Russell Gloor joined the Association of Mature American Citizens in 2013. Gloor received training from the National Social Security Association and was accredited by the NSSA® as a Social Security adviser in 2016. Currently part of the AMAC Foundation's Social Security Advisory team, he annually counsels thousands of American seniors about their Social Security options. In addition to answering Social Security questions daily, he also authors the AMAC Foundation's nationally syndicated weekly "Ask Rusty" advice column and has written three instructional books about Social Security.

Dear Rusty: My husband is 65 and I am 55. He has recently been diagnosed with terminal lung cancer. My question is, will I continue receiving his full Social Security check every month after his passing? Will the amount decrease? Signed: Tearful Wife

Dear Tearful Wife: So sorry to hear of your husband's condition. If he is now receiving Social Security benefits, when he passes your husband's Social Security payments will stop. You will be able to keep the payment received in the month your husband dies (which is for the previous month), but any payments made thereafter must be returned to the Social Security Administration. For your information, normally the funeral director who handles arrangements sends a death certificate to Social Security, which will stop your husband's Social Security benefits effective

with the payment for his month of death. However, you should notify the bank which receives your husband's Social Security payment of his death, and they will automatically return any later incorrect payments to the Social Security Administration.

At age 55, you are too young to collect survivor benefits from your husband (unless you are disabled, in which case you can). You will first become eligible for a survivor benefit from your husband when you are 60 years old, but if you claim it at that time, it will be cut by 28.5 percent from the full amount. Your maximum benefit as your husband's survivor is 100 percent of the benefit he is now receiving, but you can only get the full amount by waiting until your own full retirement age of 67 to claim it. Any Social Security benefit claimed before full retirement age is reduced.

If you are still working when you become eligible for your survivor benefit, you should be aware Social Security will impose an earnings limit until you reach your full retirement age. The earnings limit changes annually (for 2022 it is \$19,560) but, if it is exceeded, Social Security will take away benefits equal to \$1 for every \$2 you are over the limit (half of what you exceed the limit by). If you work full time and your earnings are high enough, you may be disqualified from receiving survivor benefits (because your benefit amount may not offset the penalty for exceeding the earnings limit). The earnings limit applies until you reach your full retirement age, at which time your survivor benefit also reach-

es maximum (100 percent of the amount your husband was receiving at his death).

If you will also be eligible for your own Social Security retirement benefit (from your own lifetime work record), and your own benefit at maximum will be more than your survivor benefit, you can choose to take your survivor benefit first and delay claiming your own Social Security retirement benefit until it is more than your survivor benefit. Your own benefit will reach maximum at age 70 so you could, if desired, take your survivor benefit first and your own larger benefit later. Or, once you are 62 you can claim only your own reduced benefit first and allow your survivor benefit to reach maximum at your full retirement age. In other words, you have a choice of which benefit to claim, and you should try to maximize the one which will give you the highest benefit for the rest of your life. But remember, the earnings test will apply to any benefit you claim before reaching your full retirement age.

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BASD: Donegan ES open house Sept. 22
 Donegan ES Open House will feature the unveiling of "Autoflorecer" (reborn) wallflower mural. at 6:45 p.m. Sept. 22. Created by Paulina QuintanaJornet from Germany and local artist Devyn Briggs, it is a collaboration between Banana Factory, BASD and Wind Creek of Bethlehem. QuintanaJornet is also the artist who painted the mural at The Lodge.
 Started in the 2019-20 school year, Donegan students worked with the artists in a school art residency sponsored by the Banana Factory. For three years during the Pandemic, work continued at Briggs' house.
 Wind Creek provided installation materials funds. The BASD maintenance department is installing the mural on Sept. 22.

GRADUATION

Wilkes University
 Four local residents were awarded master's degrees during Wilkes University's summer commencement ceremony Sept. 11. They new graduates are, from Bethlehem, Courtney Benedict, Master of Science in Education degree in Classroom Technology; Melissa Lake, Master of Science in Education degree in Education; and Jeanette Mullen, Master of Science in Education degree in Education; and, from Fountain Hill, Jonathan Lawrence Master of Fine Arts degree in Creative Writing.

DEAN'S LISTS

Seton Hall University
 Victoria Keenan and Mikhayla Rogowsky, of Bethlehem, were named to the Seton Hall University Spring 2022 Dean's list for their outstanding academic achievements.

FROM THE DESK OF...

Compiled by Nate Jastrzemski

U.S. Senator Bob Casey
 Casey is leading a letter to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, pushing the agency to better protect users of peer-to-peer payment applications from scams. As P2P apps like Venmo, Cash App, PayPal or Zelle have become more popular, scammers are increasingly targeting older adults on P2P platforms.

Governor Tom Wolf
 Pennsylvania has awarded \$246.8 million in American Rescue Plan funding, through the State Small Business Credit Initiative, to local economic development partners to make direct equity investments and loans to small businesses to spur success and job creation opportunities across the commonwealth.
 Locally, Direct Venture Investment funding has been awarded to the following:
 • Ben Franklin Technology Partners Central & Northern Pennsylvania - \$19,678,479
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 • Ben Franklin Technology Partners of Southeastern Pennsylvania - \$19,678,479

State Senator Lisa Boscola
 Boscola has announced the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) approved five grants for \$421,514 to provide services to victims of child sexual abuse and to assist with additional criminal justice and prevention programs.

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LU senior receives accounting scholarship



Olivia Wood, a senior accounting major at Lehigh University who has maintained a 4.0 throughout her college career, is the first recipient of the Buckno Lisicky and Company Foundation Scholarship. This \$2500 scholarship is available for a Rising College Senior Finance/Accounting Major who is attending college in Lehigh, Northampton, Berks or Carbon counties. The shareholders of Buckno Lisicky & Company have established a scholarship to assist the next generation of accounting professionals and to help develop the future of the accounting profession.

Above: Olivia Wood, scholarship recipient; foundation committee members Chris Betley and Matthew Leiner; and Karen Hoff, marketing director at Buckno Lisicky & Company. Wood is president of Beta Alpha Psi, the national accounting honors society; acts as a university tour guide, and participates in a college sorority, Kappa Alpha Theta with philanthropic service for CASA, an organization that provides adult advocates for children in foster care. The scholarship application can be found on the Buckno Lisicky & Company website at <https://www.bucknolisicky.com/scholarships.html>.

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Charter Arts Principal Jennifer Levernier and Director of School Counseling Cindy Johnson congratulate Morgan Del Moral, Bianca Felix, and Isaac Felix who were recognized with Academic Honors from College Board National Recognition Programs.

Students receive College Board honors

LV CHARTER ARTS

Three Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Arts (Charter Arts) students have been selected as part of the 62,000 students from across the country to be awarded with Academic Honors from College Board National Recognition Programs.
 Morgan Del Moral, 18, of Allentown (NAARA Award); Bianca Felix, 17, of Allentown (NAARA Award & NHRA Award); and Isaac Felix, 17, of Allentown (NAARA Award & NHRA Award), excelled in College Board assessments and school work to earn these awards.

According to the College Board, students who were eligible for these awards have earned a GPA of 3.5 or higher and have excelled on the PSAT/NMSQT or PSAT 10, or earned a score of 3 or higher on two or more AP Exams.
 These National Recognition Programs grant underrepresented students with academic honors that can be included on college and scholarship applications which can help them meaningfully connect to colleges and

stand out during the admissions process.
 Colleges and scholarship programs identify students who received National African American Recognition Awards (NAARA), National Hispanic Recognition Awards (NHRA), Indigenous and/or Rural/Small Town Recognition Awards through the College Board's Student Search Service.
 "We're thrilled that our students have earned this recognition," said Cindy Johnson, Charter Arts' direc-

tor of school counseling. "We are very proud of them for their achievements in the classroom and on their College Board assessments."
 Charter Arts' rigorous curriculum fosters both academic and artistic excellence for its students. The school's impressive Future Ready PA Index ranking, Advanced Placement (AP) exam statistics, Keystone Exam statistics, SAT scores, prestigious artistic accolades, and graduation rate, are testaments to the outstanding education that Charter Arts provides.

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Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, high of 84°, humidity of 49%. Southwest wind 2 to 11 mph. The record high for today is 91° set in 1931. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 50% chance of showers and thunderstorms, overnight low of 63°. Southwest wind 9 mph. The record low for tonight is 33° set in 2020. Thursday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 55% chance of showers, high of 72°, humidity of 53%. West northwest wind 8 to 14 mph. Thursday night, skies will be partly cloudy with a 40% chance of showers, overnight low of 48°. Northwest wind 9 to 12 mph. Friday, skies will be mostly sunny, high of 66°, humidity of 43%. Northwest wind 10 to 15 mph. Friday night, skies will be mostly clear, overnight low of 45°.

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A fun night out

Julia Litsch enjoys spending some time at the petting zoo during the second annual Hanover Township, Lehigh County, Community Night Out, held Aug. 23 at Canal Park, 1960 Dauphin St. The petting zoo section of the event was provided by Cloverland Entertainment.

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2022 GENERAL ELECTION

Reader assistance requested

For our election coverage, we ask each candidate a question and ask them to provide an answer in 100 words or less.

We are interested to know what issues are most important to you, our readers, so we may ask the candidates the questions.

What question is most important to you, as the voter, for the candidates running for Governor?

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FALL PREVIEW

Peace and love

Shelley Brown previews 22-23 State Theatre season



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Shelley Brown, State Theatre President & CEO

Spotlight

By Paul Willistein
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State Theatre season:
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"Peace and Love. Peace and Love."

Ringo Starr's trademark phrase is usually accompanied by the former Beatles' drummer holding up his open-palmed hands making the sign of V for Victory, or in his case, the Peace Sign.

Ringo Starr and His All Starr Band's long-delayed concert was Sept. 9 at the State Theatre for the Arts, Easton.

"Ringo felt like the first night that things were absolutely 100 percent the way my favorite nights are. Excitement. Everybody happy to be there," State Theatre President & CEO Shelley Brown says.

"It felt like a real opening night, the way opening nights used to be," says Brown in a phone interview.

The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic delayed the State Theatre concert by Ringo Starr and His All Starr Band for more

than two years. There were 1,550 fans at the sold-out concert.

"His agent kept calling me during Covid and he'd call me again," Brown says.

Starr's concert at the State Theatre was most recently postponed from June 11 when two members of the All-Starr Band were diagnosed with Covid. The concert was originally to be held in June 2020.

"I thought Ringo was going to pack it in before he got here," says Brown.

"He concluded with 'A Little Help from my Friends.' He was doing jumping jacks. Yeah, he's 82," Brown says.

Ringo Starr opened the State Theatre 2022-23 season. The Piano Guys were there Sept. 15. The Bronx Wanderers were there Sept. 16.

Ringo Starr isn't the only big name to grace the historic State Theatre stage for the 2022-23 season.

Upcoming: Johnny Mathis, Oct. 27; Blue Man Group, Oct. 21; Straight No Chaser, Dec. 3, and Jay Leno, April 7.

The Orchestra, featuring former members of the

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8 DAYS A WEEK

Your look ahead at
Valley Arts



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Phil Vassar, 8 p.m. Sept. 23, Penn's Peak, Jim Thorpe. Doors open at 6 p.m. Country music hit-maker, piano player and singer Phil Vassar was born May 28, 1962, in Lynchburg, Va. He debuted on the country music scene in the late 1990s, co-writing singles for Tim McGraw ("For a Little While," "My Next Thirty Years"), Jo Dee Messina ("Bye, Bye," "I'm Alright"), Collin Raye ("Little Red Rodeo") and Alan Jackson ("Right on the Money"). His debut album, "Phil Vassar" (2000) yielded five hits on the U.S. Billboard country singles charts. His albums include "American Child" (2002), "Shaken Not Stirred" (2004), "Prayer of a Common Man" (2008), "Traveling Circus" (2009), "Noel" (2011), "American Soul" (2016) and "Stripped Down" (2020). Vassar has charted 19 singles on Billboard's Hot Country Songs, including two that reached No. 1: "Just Another Day in Paradise" (2000) and "In a Real Love" (2004). Tickets: box office, 325 Maury Road, Jim Thorpe.; www.ticketmaster.com; Ticketmaster: 800-745-3000; 866-605-PEAK (7325). Information: https://www.pennspeak.com/events/all; 866-605-PEAK (7325)

Cedar Crest College has a 'Clue'

A play based on a classic Hasbro board game will open in Samuels Theatre, Cedar Crest College. "Clue: On Stage" has its collegiate premiere, Sept. 29 - Oct. 2 at the Allentown college.

The play was inspired by the murder mystery game created in Britain in 1943, as well as the film "Clue" (1985).

Jonathan Lynn and John Landis co-wrote the movie screenplay, which has three alternative endings. Although the film did not do well at the box office, it developed a cult following.

A musical based on the movie opened Off-Broadway in 1997, but did not receive favorable reviews.

CURTAIN RISES

By Kathy Lauer-Williams



Lynn collaborated with Tony-nominated actor Hunter Foster; Eric Price, assistant to producer Hal Prince, and Sandy Rustin, screenwriter of "Mystic Pizza" (1988), to write a non-musical stage play version of "Clue" that resolves with one ending.

"Clue: On Stage" premiered in 2017 at Bucks County Playhouse, New Hope, starring Sally Struthers as Mrs. Peacock. The production was

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From left, front row: Noel Cruz (Miss Scarlet), Carter Reichard (Mrs. Peacock), Alex Perez (Mrs. White), and, back row: Bob Trexler (Colonel Mustard), Mark Eichorn (Professor Plum), Andrew Galindez (Mr. Green), "Clue: On Stage," Cedar Crest College.

It's a Reality TV world, after all

LITERARY SCENE

By Dave Howell



Kardashians." Dr. Danielle J. Lindemann, Associate Professor of Sociology, Lehigh University, thinks that Reality TV can teach us a lot about ourselves.

Lindemann's book, "True Story: What Reality TV Says About Us" (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 335 pp, \$30, hardcover, \$20, paperback, \$14.99 digital, 2022), explores why we watch it and how it affects our views about others and our society.

"I want to introduce sociology through the lens of Reality TV to have people look at it and at the world in a way that they hadn't thought of it

before," Lindemann says during an interview in her office at Lehigh.

"People say Reality TV is so unreal, that everyone is acting. But we are all acting. We look at it as outlandish, but we do the same things in a more muted way. We post on Facebook about our perfect lives without posting anything bad.

"We like to think of ourselves as individuals making our own

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Glengarry Boys Duo, 7 p.m. Sept. 22, Godfrey Daniels. The concert is billed as a Celtic Classic preview. The Glengarry Boys, founded in 1998 in Glengarry County, Ontario, Canada, is a Celtic fusion band that blends traditional Scottish and Irish music with modern Celtic and contemporary sounds. Lead singer is Graham Wright. The group has released 11 albums, including "Full Contact Highland" (1999) and "Eight" (2010). Tickets: Godfrey Daniels, 7 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. https://godfreydaniels.org; 610-867-2390

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Electric Light Orchestra, is in concert, Oct. 7. "Oh, What a Night of Rock 'N' Roll," starring Lou Christie, is there Oct. 8.

Pandemic-postponed concerts include Gladys Knight, Oct. 9, and Chris Botti, Oct. 14. "Those both had to moved because of Covid," says Brown.

Also at the State: comedian Bill Engvall, Oct. 16; "Haunted Illusions," starring David Caserta, Oct. 22, and the ballet, "Swan Lake," Nov. 11.

Broadway national touring productions include "Tootsie," Nov. 3; "Menopause The Musical," Feb. 3; "Hairspray," Feb. 18; "The Book Of Mormon," March 7 - 9, and "Fiddler on the Roof," April 24, 25.

Of the Broadway musicals, Brown says, "They're fabulous shows to see. When you see them here and they're on tour and they're up-and-comers, they're bursting with talent and energy."

More concerts and shows for the 2022-23 season are to be announced in November, per usual.

At the State Theatre, proof of Covid vaccination policy is no longer required. The wearing of face masks was always optional.

Because of the pandemic, the State Theatre closed in March 2020 and reopened in September 2021.

"I never really believed that we'd be closed that long," says Brown.

Brown recalls the last



Gladys Knight, Oct. 9,



Johnny Mathis, Oct. 27



Jay Leno, April 7

show at the State Theatre in the "Before Times," that is before the pandemic shutdown. It was March 12, 2020. The national Broadway touring show, "Bandstand," was about to go on.

Says Brown, "The manager was in from New York and went backstage and said to the cast, 'Broadway announced that they were shutting down. The tour is canceled. This is your last show.' They were just broken-hearted and they had to go out and do the show."

Brown walked onto the stage for her curtain talk. "And I knew when I stood out there [I thought], 'I don't know what's coming.'"

"We were going to be shut down for two weeks," Brown recalls, adding, "And it went on and on."

Covid pulled the plug on the State Theatre which, as with venues in the Lehigh Valley and around the world, went dark. Revenue from tick-

et sales and concessions dried up.

The North American Independent Venue Association lobbied Congress for grants. The result was the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant.

That and funding from sponsors, local donors and members got the State Theatre through the Covid hard times.

"All local venues got grants," says Brown. "In our case, we own these buildings. Everybody was in the same miserable condition."

"Frankly, I couldn't have been prepared for Covid. We could make it when we got that shuttered venue grant. We didn't make money."

"Our members and patrons showed us that they really wanted us to be here. During Covid, they showed us that we were very valued."

The State Theatre endured. "The building came through with flying colors, I'm happy to say."

"It delayed some things not only because

of Covid but because of material availability. And not only because of availability, but the matter of the cost."

While the State Theatre is open, events such as weddings and private parties are not being booked. The Lehigh Valley Health Network Gallery is open. The Acopian Room is not.

"We're focusing on the main stage and the gallery. We did our [Summer] Acting Camp."

"Now we're back and we really need people to come back."

"We tend to have one performance. And that's it. And if we don't sell most of the tickets, we're not going to break even. For now, we're fine."

"Some ticket-buyers are still very cautious about Covid. And they're nervous about being in crowds. Outdoor things are different."

"One of the great things about a theater is that you're in a space with a lot of other people and you're bonded with

the audience. You often come in as strangers, and leave as friends because you share this emotional experience."

"That's something that was absent because of Covid. Summer was a good intro because you're outside."

"Some people are fine with it [indoor venues], but other people are really spooked by it all. And then there are some people who just clocked out."

"I have friends who aren't going to travel anymore. There are some people who aren't going into the office."

"People being in their house and watching all this stuff on TV and getting all worked up about it."

"And every time we hear some scare, anything that's in the news, that sounds like some health thing, we all get scared. We just get triggered."

"It [the pandemic] made people more aware in general of washing hands and being more sensitive of how things get spread around. And that's good for all of us to know that, but we want it to be balanced. The hand sanitizers are still up [at the State Theatre]."

"We want the fear to lessen. And it's not back to normal. And I defy anyone to tell you that it is."

"Since the pandemic, when we were first able to open again, it was like when we first opened 30 years ago."

"Part of what the pandemic did is it kept us

from being together. One of the things that's special about theater is that you get all kinds of different people together. And people need to be together to be part of a community."

"A lot of what's going on in the world now is because we spent more than a year not being together. You get along when you're together, rubbing elbows with people."

Taking a cue, perhaps from Ringo Starr's "Peace and Love" exhortation, Brown says, "You're doing your part for world peace if you come to the State Theatre, and all venues. We all need to be together."

Concerning the concert by Ringo Starr and His All Starr Band at the State Theatre, Brown says:

"There wasn't any politics. Everybody was here because they love music and they wanted to hear Ringo. It was all about the music and being out on tour and how great it was to be back on tour."

"I like to say, you always feel better when you leave the State."

State Theatre ticket information: www.statetheatre.org; 1-800-999-STATE; 610-252-3132

"Spotlight" is a new column in Focus about the stars, artists and producers of the theater stage. To request coverage, email: PaulWillistein@tnonline.com

Mandy Patinkin at State

BY PAUL WILLISTEIN
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Mandy Patinkin, star of stage and screen, will perform 7:30 p.m. Jan. 14, State Theatre Center for the Arts, Easton.

State Theatre officials made the Patinkin concert announcement Sept. 14.

Tickets for Patinkin's concert went on sale at 10 a.m. Sept. 20 to State Theatre members.

Tickets for Patinkin's concert go on sale at 10

a.m. Sept. 27 to the public.

Patinkin is an Emmy-winning TV star, Tony-winning Broadway legend and movie star. He starred on Broadway in "Evita," on TV in "Homeland" and in movie theaters in "The Princess Bride."

Here's the 2022-23 State Theatre season lineup of upcoming concerts and show:

The Orchestra, starring former members of the Electric Light Orches-

tra, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 7

"Oh, What A Night Of Rock 'N' Roll," starring Lou Christie, 7 p.m. Oct. 8

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Game plan for those NFL clashes on TV

Dear Jacquelyn,
Our house gets much harder to live in when the pro football season rolls around. Between our kids, my spouse and me, there are die-hard fans of at least three different teams. It's hard enough watching a game on television when it's my favorite and "just some other team," but when it's my team playing one of their teams, it gets loud and occasionally heated. How can we all get through the season without a referee in the family room?

Dear Reader,
As you very well know, true sports fans share their emotions with hoots and hollers.

RESPECTFULLY YOURS

By Jacquelyn Youst



When sport enthusiasts live under one roof, their devotion becomes front and center, especially when two beloved teams play each other. There are highly-charged emotional investments that might warrant a referee.

But, have no fear; this can all work out. These next several months don't have to be a tense yelling match.

I'm sure you encounter issues and butt heads on other topics throughout the year and survive. Movies, restaurant choices, and television shows require compromises.

You can apply the same method you use to handle daily conflicts here. Sports team loyalties require the same give and take. To avoid conflict, I have a couple of suggestions.

There's an old saying: "music soothes the savage beast." In this case, munchies should help. Have everyone's favorite football food on hand.

Have fun with football day, create a football food buffet. Incorporate everyone's team colors into the buffet, keep it fun. Emotions are contagious. If you keep your own mood light, others will follow.

When you simply cannot put on your game face, your alternative is to go to a different room, or stay away until the game is over. Taking turns watching the

game with friends away from home is also an option.

Be respectful, and do not ridicule other teams. This is the perfect opportunity for an exercise in civility. Set an example for your children and teach them how to agree to disagree. The next time you suspect a conflict might occur, be prepared with your game plan ahead of time.

Respectfully Yours,
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It's hard to say goodbye

Author Danielle Steele wrote that life is a series of chapters in our life.

"We want to believe the same characters will be there forever. But it rarely works out that way. Some characters leave the story; others come along," she said.

That resonated with me because I hate to say goodbye to those in my life. I hate it more each year as time goes by.

I think that's because as we grow older there are fewer people in our life. So when we lose someone, regardless of the reason, it creates a hole that's harder to fill.

I think so much about my Italian family that sadly disappeared one by one.

With my mother and her four sisters, we never had to formally plan a party. Whenever we got together, it automatically became a party. It didn't matter if it was just a get-together for a gab fest at our house or the Sunday night card games at my Aunt Theresa's house. You can bet if we were together it became a party.

You can also bet there was plenty of laughter and plenty of great food.

I felt loved and I felt secure.

One thing I didn't feel was fear that it would all end someday, that one by one my wonderful family would disappear from my life.

I can't believe I am now the matriarch of our family. While growing old is a gift, it also requires much of us. Being the equivalent of "the last man standing" isn't easy.

Daniele Steele is right when she says we need to look at life as a series of chapters, not as one long book where the same characters always remain.

That lesson landed with a thud for me when I had to say goodbye to my husband Andy.

Surprisingly, the grace I gained from living for 42½ years with the man I called St. Andrew helped me cherish even more each remaining day of my life. Even in his illness, he taught me how to live life with meaning.

I know each day of life isn't meant to be wasted.

I did learn it's true that life is a series of chapters and our story evolves every day.

While I greatly love when a new friend comes into my life I hate when someone leaves. My friend Linda Frost passed away four years ago and I still mourn the loss of that unique woman.

It isn't just death that snatches people from our life. Often it's just life's mobility.

Some move away to be closer to family. Some move for a better job. And lately, with my friends, disabilities have prompted several friends to sell their big homes and find more suitable accommodations.

Whenever a friend leaves, we promise to stay in touch. But it seldom works out the way

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we think it will.

We do stay in touch through Facebook and email. That technology makes it so much easier to keep friends in our life. But it's not the same as our former get-togethers.

I hate when I let precious friends disappear from my life. Lately I've come to realize that I've allowed COVID to cut down on my people contact. I certainly travel less and I think my time at home has made me lethargic.

I'm trying now to do something about it.

Last weekend I told my husband we needed to stop saying we were going to visit treasured friends Franck and Jan. We needed to replace good intentions with action.

Franck and Jan only live an hour away. There was a time when we didn't think twice about driving for an hour to see friends. There was also a time when I didn't complain about too much traffic.

Heck I remember how Franck and Jan drove for 10 hours to come visit us at the Outer Banks. That memory made me get on the phone to make plans to take them to lunch.

If time with friends can be described as "delicious" then that's the word for the way we enjoyed seeing them again.

It was fun talking with Jan and Franck about some of the memories we've shared during our 40-year friendship. Memories are precious but seeing them in person topped that.

Here's one of the unique things about them: Married for 63 years, they've never let go of each other. And they've never let go of their friends.

I'm amazed at how they have the same friends they've had for more than 50 years. How many people can say that?

Think about the friends you've had the longest. Do you still see them? How do you stay in touch?

I have just strengthened my resolve to stay in touch with friends that have meant so much to me. With distance and the passage of time I've not reached out the way I should.

This week a favorite Palmerton friend I haven't heard from in a long time sent me the nicest email. I've often thought about him and his wife and wondered how they were. So the surprise email was most welcome. It had me glowing all week.

Is there someone out there wanting to hear from you?

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Breast cancer most diagnosed of cancer

First of three parts

After skin cancer, breast cancer is the most common cancer diagnosed in women in the United States.

The chance of developing invasive breast cancer at some time in a woman's life is about 1 in 8.

The female breast is composed primarily of milk-producing glands (lobules), ducts that connect the glands to the nipple, and soft tissue. Breast cancer is a malignant tumor that has grown from breast cells. Nearly all breast cancers start in the ducts or lobules of the breast. The cancer can spread (metastasize) to other parts of the body, but it will continue to be defined as breast cancer.

There are many forms of breast cancer. Infiltrating Ductal Carcinoma (IDC) is the most common form. It starts in a duct, then breaks through the duct wall and invades the tissue of the breast. At this point, it can metastasize through the lymphatic vessels and the bloodstream.

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Lymph plays a major role in breast cancer. It is a fluid that carries immune-system cells through lymphatic vessels. Lymph nodes are small collections of these cells in the vessels. Almost all lymphatic vessels in the breast connect to lymph nodes under the arm.

Cancer cells that enter lymphatic vessels can spread and begin to grow in lymph nodes. This is why doctors check the lymph nodes to see if breast cancer has spread.

Ductal Carcinoma In Situ (DCIS) is the most common type of non-invasive breast cancer. The term "in situ" means the cancer is confined to its original site. DCIS denotes that the cancer cells are inside the ducts but have not spread through the walls of the ducts into the surrounding breast tissue. Nearly all women diagnosed at

this early stage of breast cancer can be cured.

There are many risk factors for breast cancer.

The risk rises with age. About three quarters of women with breast cancer are older than 50 when they are diagnosed.

Breast cancer risk is higher among women whose close relatives have the disease.

A woman with cancer in one breast is at high risk of developing a new cancer in either of her breasts.

Women who started menstruating before age 12 or who went through menopause after age 55 have a slightly higher risk of breast cancer.

Having multiple pregnancies and becoming pregnant at an early age reduces breast cancer risk.

Long-term use of hormone replacement therapy (HRT) after menopause increases your risk of breast cancer.

Drinking alcohol is linked to an increased risk of developing breast cancer.

Obesity is a breast cancer risk, especially

for women after menopause.

Evidence is growing that exercise reduces breast cancer risk.

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When autumn leaves start to fall explained

As daylight decreases and cold weather sets in, deciduous trees begin to shed their leaves en masse, a phenomenon so striking it gives autumn its other name: Fall.

This annual shedding is an evolutionary tactic that helps trees conserve moisture. Broad leaves, as opposed to the needles of evergreen trees, have a relatively large surface area and they give off large amounts of moisture through evaporation. In winter, when the ground freezes and the tree can't get water through its roots, water conservation becomes necessary for the tree's survival. If live leaves stayed on the tree all year, the tree would be in danger of fatally drying out.

But what actually happens to break the attachment between a leaf and its twig? The

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weakening of a leaf's attachment to the tree is a response to decreasing sunlight and cooling temperatures. The weakening of that attachment also plays a role in the leaf's autumn color change.

When the combination of sunlight, darkness and cold reaches a critical point, most broad-leaved trees respond by creating a barrier of special cells where the leaf stem meets the twig. This area of special cells is known as the "abscission zone."

The abscission zone is composed of two parts: a separation layer, or abscission layer,

and a protective layer. The location of the separation layer determines where the leaf breaks off. The protective layer seals off the wound left on the twig after the leaf falls. That seal protects the tree against moisture loss and the entry of harmful organisms.

All leaves eventually die. If they remained on the stem indefinitely, they would become a point of infection and decay. Also, if leaves broke off without a separation layer, the result would be extensive tearing, the same as when you tear a live green leaf off a tree. The tear provides an excellent entry site for fungal spores or bacteria.

The separation layer forms either just before the leaf falls, or earlier in the season, depending on the tree species. If the separation layer forms early, it sits there

and remains quiet until it is needed. Separation layers that form early are often found in species that grow in more unpredictable environments; if bad conditions arise during the growing season, the tree can shed its leaves and shut down.

The protective layer lies next to the separation layer and consists of a group of cells that undergo cell division to form a sealing layer. After the walls of these cells are formed, they become filled with gum and create an impenetrable corky barrier. All cells to the exterior or leaf side of this layer die.

To some homeowners' dismay, the leaves of beeches and some oaks tend to stick onto their twigs even after they're dead. That creates a second round of leaf-raking in the spring, when new buds push dead leaves out of the way.

In short, for our area, decreasing daylight and falling temperatures combine to cue the formation or awakening of an abscission zone, which, in turn, prevents further production of chlorophyll, the pigment that makes leaves green. When chlorophyll production shuts down, the previously hidden red, yellow and gold pigments reveal themselves.

Leaves don't just

"turn" colors. Instead, they lose the green. Leaves show us their "turn colors" just before the attachment to the twig weakens and breaks. To the tree, the entire process of changing leaf color and leaf drop is a strategy for survival.

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Enjoying a baked potato lunch at St. Paul's UCC



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In conjunction with its yard sale Sept. 10, St. Paul's UCC, 1249 Trexlertown Road, Trexlertown held a baked potato lunch with all the fixings. The baked potato crew for the day included Lesha Kershner, of Macungie and Holly Williams, of Emmaus. Baked potato fixings included butter, onion, cheddar cheese, ham, bacon, sour cream, chili and broccoli. The potato was served with a side salad, beverage and dessert.



Gloria and Fred Snyder, of Breinigsville, enjoy their baked potato lunch with friends at St. Paul's UCC.



Jane and Dave Gibson, of Allentown, enjoy a baked potato lunch at St. Paul's UCC Sept. 10.

LINDEMANN

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decisions and having our own thought processes. But the pure version of ourselves untouched by social forces is a myth," says Lindemann.

The book has chapters as to how Reality TV portrays families, childhood, class, race, gender and sexuality in ways that can be attractive or repulsive, but fascinating to millions.

"There are a variety of reasons people watch it. It depends on the show. A cooking show is different than one of the 'Real Housewives.'



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Dr. Danielle J. Lindemann

"But one reason is that we like to distance ourselves. We think, 'My life might be a train wreck, but not like those people.'

"It is easier to form relationships with characters on Reality TV than with actors. You are making a connection with actual people on the screen.

"We know them as themselves, not someone playing a role. They often make themselves available through social media.

"The shows often have archetypes, someone you can relate to, like the 'pretty one' or 'the shy one' or 'the smart one.' You might see yourself as 'the smart one' on a luxury vacation or surfing."

Reality TV can defy and reinforce stereo-

types. Norman from the first season of "The Real World" was the first realistic gay person many people saw on television. "You saw his whole life, with fights and with his partner."

Many shows present negative characterizations. Lindemann mentions the "angry black man" and the "overbearing black woman." Other shows feature nouveau riche "stars" of lower-class origins who lack the taste or social skills of established wealth, she notes.

According to Lindemann, the most famous Reality TV star is Donald Trump, a host of 14

seasons of "The Apprentice" and "The Celebrity Apprentice" from 2004 to 2015.

"Trump was extremely effective at using the techniques of Reality TV. He's a showman, who often used 'the cliffhanger' and 'the big reveal.'"

Lindemann says Reality TV techniques were evoked after the removal of files Aug. 8 by the FBI from the Mar-a-Lago, Fla., club and estate owned by former President Trump. "We know about it because he brought it up. He made it a public spectacle, making the private into something public."

Lindemann received a BA from Princeton University in 2002 and a PhD from Columbia University in 2010. "True Story" is her third book, the first that is not academic. Although it is written for a general readership, it is thoroughly researched, with 23 pages of references.

She lives in Princeton, N.J. with her husband and two daughters.

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I assure you, 'Clerks III' open

"Clerks" has legendary film status. The 1994 film was written and directed by Kevin Smith in 16mm black and white celluloid on a budget of \$27,675.

"Clerks" profiled a group of Generation X buddies who worked in a convenience store and a video store.

The film was chosen in 2019 for preservation in the United States National Film Registry by the Library of Congress as being "culturally, historically or aesthetically significant."

A sequel, Clerks II, was released in 2006.

There have also been spin-offs: "Jay And Silent Bob Strike Back" (2001) and "Jay And Silent Bob Reboot" (2019). And now: "Clerks III."

This time, it was filmed in color. The original crew, Dante, Randal, Jay and Silent Bob, is back.

They were twenty-somethings in the original "Clerks." They are fiftysomethings in "Clerks III." Older and not much wiser.

There's Dante Hicks (Brian O'Halloran), Randal Graves (Jeff Anderson) and Elias Grover (Trevor Fehrman), who has a sidekick, Blockchain (Austin Zajur).

And, of course, there's Jay (Jason Mewes) and Silent Bob (Kevin Smith).

Kevin Smith based "Clerks" on his experiences working in a convenience store and video store in New Jersey.

RST Video went the way of Blockbuster.

Kevin Smith and his crew went back to the actual Quick Stop

AT THE MOVIES

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Groceries, Leonardo, Middletown Township, Monmouth County, N.J., where they filmed for two weeks for "Clerks III."

The hockey game on the roof of the store is in full swing.

The "Clerks III" plot revolves around Randal, who has had a heart attack. When he recovers, he decides to make a movie about, what else, the Quick Stop, which he and Dante now own. Jay and Silent Bob have turned the shuttered RST Video into a legal marijuana dispensary.

"Clerks III" brings back Kevin Smith's troupe of actors from previous "Clerks" films, including Marilyn Ghigliotti (Veronica Loughran), Rosario Dawson (Becky Scott) and Ben Affleck (Boston John).

There are cameos by Amy Sedaris, Fred Armisen, Sarah Michelle Gellar, Justin Long and Danny Trejo.

Look for cameos by Jennifer Schwalbach Smith (Emma Bunting), Kevin Smith's wife, and Harley Quinn Smith (Milly), their daughter.

"Clerks III" is most interesting in the context of the zany world of Kevin Smith ("Jersey Girl," 2004; "Dogma," 1999; "Chasing Amy," 1997; "Mallrats," 1995).

The "Clerks III" screenplay is rife with the usual wince-inducing Kevin Smith raunchy humor. Dante,

Randal, Jay and Silent Bob are their usual foul-mouthed but somehow lovable selves.

Kevin Smith, born Aug. 2, 1970, in Red Bank, N.J., grew up in Highlands, Monmouth County, N.J. He has made quite a name for himself in popular culture.

Welcome to the "View Askewniverse," named for Kevin Smith's production company, View Askew Productions.

It might not be the MCU, as in the Marvel Cinematic Universe, or the DC Extended Universe, but between Kevin Smith's published comic books; his store, Jay and Silent Bob's Secret Stash comic book store, TV shows, podcasts, webcasts, websites, web series, YouTube broadcasts and films, the "View Askewniverse" is formidable.

For Kevin Smith, "Clerks III" is a film of convenience. If you're a fan of Kevin Smith, juvenile humor and independent cinema, check out "Clerks III."

"Clerks III," MPAA rated R (Restricted Under 17 requires accompanying parent or adult guardian. Contains some adult material. Parents are urged to learn more about the film before taking their young children with them.) for pervasive language, crude sexual material and drug content; Genre: Comedy; Run time: 1 hour, 55 minutes. Distributed by Lionsgate.

Credit Readers Anonymous: "Clerks III" concludes with Moravian University graduate and Godfrey Daniels' favorite John



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From left, front: Jeff Anderson (Randal), Brian O'Halloran (Dante), back: Kevin Smith (Silent Bob), Jason Mewes (Jay), "Clerks III."

Gorka singing his song, "I'm From New Jersey." The film is preceded by an introduction by Kevin Smith, who says, "You guys came out to see one of the cheapest movies in the theaters now."

At The Movies: "Clerks III" was seen at the Movie Tavern Trexlertown Cinema in a Fathom Events screening that included a post-film behind-the-scenes documentary short of interviews with Kevin Smith and the cast.

In 1994, Easton-based film director Vincent Mondillo and I drove to New York City for a screening of "Clerks," after which Kevin Smith spoke. "If I can make a film like this, you guys can, too," said Smith.

For "Clerks III," Smith appears at select screenings in September, October and November. Information: <https://clerks3.movie/roadshow>

Theatrical Movie Domestic Box Office, Sept. 16 - 18: "The Woman King," starring

Viola Davis, opened at No. 1 with \$19 million in 3,765 theaters, dropping "Barbarian" from its one-week No. 1 run to No. 2 with \$6.3 million, in 2,340 theaters, \$20.9 million, two weeks, as "Pearl" opened at No. 3 with \$3.1 million, in 2,935 theaters, and "See How They Run" opened at No. 4 with \$3.1 million, in 2,404 theaters.

5. "Bullet Train" dropped two places, \$2.5 million, in 2,602 theaters, \$96.3 million, seven weeks. 6. "Top Gun: Maverick" dropped two places, \$2.1 million, in 2,604 theaters, \$709 million, 17 weeks. 7. "DC League of Super-Pets" dropped one place, \$2.1 million, in 2,756 theaters, \$87.8 million, eight weeks. 8. "The Invitation" dropped three places, \$1.7 million, in 2,425 theaters, \$21.4 million, four weeks. 9. "Minions: The Rise of Gru" stayed in place, \$1.3 million, 1,970 theaters, \$364 million, 12 weeks. 10. "Moonage Daydream," \$1.2 million in 170 theaters. "Clerks

III," \$1.5 million, in 700 theaters.

Movie box office information from Box Office Mojo as of Sept. 18 is subject to change.

Unreel, Sept. 23:

"Don't Worry Darling," R: Olivia Wilde directs Florence Pugh, Harry Styles, Gemma Chan and herself in the Mystery Thriller. A 1950s housewife living with her husband in an experimental community has her doubts.

"The Railway Children Return," PG: Morgan Matthews directs Daniel Brocklehurst, Jemma Rodger and Tom Courtenay in the Family Adventure Drama. Children are evacuated to a Yorkshire village during World War II.

"On The Come Up," PG-13: Sanaa Lathan directs Da'Vine Joy Randolph, Method Man and Mike Epps in the Comedy Music Drama. A 16-year-old wants to become a rapper.



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'CLUE'

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lauded for its comic energy.

"I am super excited to be directing this at Cedar Crest College," says director JoAnn Wilchek Basist.

As with the board game, the play asks who killed Mr. Boddy? Was it Professor Plum in the conservatory with the candlestick? Or was it Miss Scarlet in the library with the lead pipe?

On a stormy night, six guests, plus a butler and a maid, are at a dinner party at the home of Mr. Boddy.

When their host turns up dead, the guests must figure out "whodunit."

The cast is Noel Cruz (Miss Scarlet), Alex Vidal Perez (Mrs. White), Andrew Galindez (Mr. Green), Carter Reichard (Mrs. Peacock), Mark Eichorn (Professor Plum), Robert Trexler (Colonel Mustard), Nik Georgievski (Wadsworth), Madison Anusky (Yvette), Sofia Barbour (The Cook) and Jerry Brucker (Mr. Bod-

dy).

The cast includes Dan Rambo, Mark Ingram, Billy Ehrlacher, Ashly Rodriguez-Ascencio, Oli Wagner and Emma Leap.

"The set design by Roxanne Amico is amazing. She has designed a really clever set that looks like a three-dimensional game board," Wilchek Basist says.

Wilchek Basist is thrilled that Tony Award-nominee Michael McDonald designed the costumes.

McDonald, a 1981 William Allen High School graduate, has worked with New York costume designer Beth Clancy on Edward Albee's Tony Award-winning "The Goat," the musical "Blood Brothers" and Arthur Miller's "The Ride Down Mount Morgan." In 2009, his work on the Broadway revival of "Hair" earned him nominations for a Tony Award for Best Costume Design and a Drama Desk Award for Outstanding Costume Design.

Wilchek Basist says there also are "Clue"-

themed and special activities during the play's run, including a "Clue" prop photo booth at performances.

There is a pizza party for the audience and cast opening night and a cupcake send-off closing night.

For the Sept. 30 performance, audience members are encouraged to dress as their favorite "Clue" character and have photos taken on the set after the performance.

On Oct. 1, there will be a public "Clue" game day in the Cedar Crest College Library prior to the show.

Performances: 7 p.m. Sept. 29, 30, Oct. 1; 2 p.m. Oct. 2.

Tickets: www.cedarcrest.edu/stage; 610-606-4608

"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, Focus editor, pwillistein@nonline.com.

LVHN offers COVID boosters

Lehigh Valley Health Network's (LVHN) COVID-19 vaccination clinics began offering the newly-authorized and updated COVID-19 booster vaccines Sept. 12. Scheduling is now open.

The newest Pfizer-BioNTech booster vaccine is authorized for those 12 and older and the new Moderna booster for those 18 and older for use as a single booster dose at least two months

following primary or booster vaccination with the original vaccine formulation. Existing Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccines will continue to be used for the initial two-shot vaccination series of those vaccines, but not as boosters, federal officials said.

Scheduling initial COVID-19 shots or boosters is required at LVHN COVID-19 vaccination clinics in Ha-

zleton, Pottsville, East Stroudsburg, Whitehall and Lower Nazareth Township.

Scheduling can be completed through MyLVHN, the patient portal, at MyLVHN.org, with the MyLVHN app, or by calling the COVID-19 hotline at 833-584-6283 (833-LVHN-CVD) 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Information: LVHN.org/vaccines

Miss Lehigh Valley finds fulfillment as St. Luke's physician assistant

Miss Lehigh Valley, a physician assistant at St. Luke's University Health Network, has found meaning and reward in both arenas.

The glamour of competing in beauty pageants might not seem compatible with the reality of working with under-served populations in one of the most economically-challenging areas in the region, but for Physician Assistant Riley Slate, it's a perfect fit.

She finds meaning and reward at St. Luke's Allentown Campus and as the reigning Miss Lehigh Valley. She's been on a unique path during the past two and one-half years.

A self-described empath, Slate said that the desire to help people and "fix" problems was a driver throughout her life, and has guided her toward a career in medicine that is proving to be exceptionally rewarding on a personal and professional level. And St. Luke's, she said, is the ideal platform for that work.

Originally from Delaware, Slate came to the Lehigh Valley to study for and receive a Bachelor of Science in Medical Studies and a Master of Science in Physician Assistant studies at DeSales University. While there, Slate said she was first exposed to St. Luke's through rotations. "I got to really know and love the culture," she said. "I knew that when it was time to apply for a position, this is where I wanted to be. The culture breeds a sense of tolerance and of caring for your patients in a non-judgmental way, without any bias or prejudice."

At DeSales, Slate volunteered at local community centers and began working with free health clinics sponsored by the university. The Allentown Rescue Mission, in particular, "offered a great opportunity" to better understand the medical and social-economic issues faced by many of the individuals served there.

"I know it's very easy to draw assumptions about people," she said. "And I have to admit, I had some of those assumptions as well. But when you sit down with these people and hear their stories and how they got to where they are, it makes all the sense in the world."

"I've found that just taking the time to listen to them was one of the best things I could do to really understand and appreciate them as individuals. And I've been able to apply that



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Miss Lehigh Valley Riley Slate is a Physician Assistant for St. Luke's Hospital University Network.

in my work with patients at St. Luke's."

As a beauty pageant contestant for the past four years, Slate is affiliated with the Miss America organization, and represents young women who are focused more on education and community service than swimsuit competitions and theatrical performances. Slate says entered her first competition of Miss Greenville, Delaware, which she won, to earn scholarship funds.

"These days, the focus is really more on social impact than anything else," said Slate, who went on to compete in the Miss Pennsylvania pageant. In June, the Miss Lehigh Valley winner placed third runner-up in the Miss Pennsylvania competition and was the recipient of the Community Service Award. "I'm really proud of that," she says of the award, "and of the work I've been able to do here."

Entering the medical field immediately after graduating, Slate found herself jumping into the Covid-19 pandemic at a time of turmoil and uncertainty. Vaccines were not yet widely available, effective treatments were still on the horizon and the death toll continued to rise.

"I'm not sure there is ever a 'good time' to enter the medical field, but it was particularly scary then," said Slate.

"Starting out was like diving in head first and I did struggle a bit at the beginning. There was all this uncertainty about Covid itself, which was really terrifying, and it was so difficult for the families of patients when they couldn't be with them or even see them."

"As a new grad, you have all

this knowledge in your head and you just want to help people. When I would go home at night, it was hard to put all that aside."

She was aided, she said, by counseling, which helped her develop the capacity to deal with the stress of the job in a healthier way.

"I learned it's OK to be upset when you're speaking with someone with a cancer diagnosis, or to a family member of someone who has passed away. I allow myself to feel that and then move on, and to feel gratitude and appreciation for every day I have on this earth."

Slate said she found strong support from colleagues, such as Dr. Colleen Cahill, at the St. Luke's Allentown campus, and Jaqui Howells, a St. Luke's Sacred Heart campus parish nurse, who integrates faith and healing into her health and wellness work.

In addition to enjoying a nurturing and inspiring work environment, Slate said that the rewards of the job are plentiful, and sometimes present themselves in surprising ways.

Slate shared the story of one patient, who had overdosed on drugs, was revived with Narcan, and used that second chance to "completely do a 180," she said. Slate saw him recently while helping out at a Laundry on Linden event, which provides free laundry services to low- and no-income individuals.

She and other St. Luke's employees also provide free medical care out of the hospital network's mobile medical van.

"Now he's one of the people who is there to help others who were in his situation," she said. "It's so inspiring to see that happen. It was really one of those 'wow' moments that make it all worthwhile."

Circumstances like this help her to shape her plans, which she hopes will involve a role focused on women's health.

"A huge passion of mine is educating my patients and the public on topics that are typically seen as taboo or controversial, and I think that working in women's health would give me the opportunity to address these topics head on," she said.

Her goal "is to be this bright light to patients, to try and be as upbeat and happy as much as possible," even in the most trying of circumstances.

"I know that sometimes we are seeing these patients at their worst, dealing with all kinds of serious issues. But I want to show them that there are people who really care, and that there is good in this world."

St. Luke's names Scott Wolfe CFO

St. Luke's University Health Network has promoted Scott R. Wolfe to Network Senior Vice President of Finance-Chief Financial Officer.

Wolfe has served as the interim Senior Vice President of Finance & CFO since January 2022, succeeding Thomas Lichtenwalner.

He continued as President of St. Luke's Warren Campus, Phillipsburg, N.J., to which he was appointed in April 2012, soon after the former Warren Hospital was acquired by St. Luke's a decade ago.

Wolfe has nearly 40 years of experience in the healthcare field in leadership roles, including Chief Executive, Chief Operating and Chief Financial Officer for large and smaller community-based acute care teaching hospitals in the Reading area, most recently as the President & CEO of The Reading Hospital.

During Wolfe's tenure at the helm of the Warren Campus, St. Luke's invested more than \$150 million in the New Jersey market of Warren and Hunterdon counties, improving care and expanding services, such as:

- Adding or expanding services, such as surgical and GI services, weight management, endocrinology, rheumatology, nephrology, pediatric subspecialties and more.

- Rebuilding most of the patient care areas, including the intensive care unit, emergency department, medical-surgical floors, infusion center, main operating room and gastrointestinal suite, to provide a state-of-the-art clinical setting.

- Developing new health centers, specialty provider offices and/or urgent care centers in Phillipsburg, Clinton, Belvidere and Lopatcong Township, N.J.

- Implementing the highest-rated electronic medical record system in the country, Epic, to improve interdisciplinary communication and continuity of care.

Warren Campus has received numerous national awards and honors, including an 'A' grade



Scott R. Wolfe

for patient safety and the "Top Hospital" award from the Leapfrog Group, and the American Heart Association's Gold Plus with Honor Roll Elite and Diabetes Honor Roll. In 2022, Warren Campus was one of only 148 hospitals nationwide to receive Top Hospital honors from both the Leapfrog Group and Money.

Under Wolfe's direction, St. Luke's Warren Campus has forged key relationships in New Jersey, such as its strategic affiliation with Robert Wood Johnson Barnabas Health, the largest academic and health network in the state. This affiliation allows New Jersey residents to receive higher levels of care in New Jersey if that care is not readily available at St. Luke's Warren Campus.

"A decade ago," Karen Kubert, St. Luke's Warren Campus Board Chairman, recently recalled, "it would have been nearly impossible to envision the revitalization of Warren Hospital and the powerful impact of its partnership with St. Luke's University Health Network. Today, the Warren Campus's restored reputation is spreading by word of mouth."

Replacing Wolfe as Warren Campus President Sept. 1 was Trevor Micklos.

Micklos joined St. Luke's in 2017 as the Service Line Administrator for Musculoskeletal Services and was promoted to Vice President of Operations in 2019. Prior to joining St. Luke's, Micklos spent 13 years at Coordinated Health in leadership roles.

St. Luke's summer interns learn real-world IT experience

During the summer of 2022, college students learned what it was like to work in the Information Technology (IT) department of a large, regional healthcare system.

The expectations of the 12 students were typical: a lot of job shadowing and a highly-controlled work experience.

The reality, however, was quite different and unexpected.

During the last luncheon of the summer, the IT interns gathered to discuss their experiences and the value they gained through St. Luke's University Health Network IT Internship program.

Nathan Szydlow, a sophomore at Penn State Lehigh Valley, this fall, said the intern program was more flexible than he expected. When he asked questions or expressed interest in a project, he said he was encouraged to reach out to leaders and learn more. Szydlow's fellow interns echoed his remarks.

"I thought the internship would be mostly about job shadowing, but it was really more self-directed, and we were allowed to learn on our own," said Shane Houghton, who is to graduate from Moravian University in May 2023. "I feel like everyone really wanted to help. We did not need to ask for help, people offered it."

Chris Brutschea, as-

sociate CIO at St. Luke's, is happy to have the internship program back this year after a two-year pause because of COVID-19. She is also pleased that one of the summer's interns was hired as a full-time IT employee.

"Our interns explore IT jobs in the healthcare setting, and we get a chance to explore their skills sets," said Brutschea. "Our mentors are excited to help cultivate student skills and show them what it is like to work in healthcare IT, and we all look forward to hiring more interns after they graduate."

Szydlow and Houghton worked in the software development department. Their freedom to investigate processes and ask for information led to a project that automates a time-consuming labeling process in St. Luke's warehouses. They created an app that pulls information from multiple sources, so all pertinent information can be automatically added to the label.

"Seeing a project through from the beginning to end is very fulfilling," Szydlow said. "It's good to know we were able to create something that will lower stress for employees."

Christopher Naylor, Director of IT Development at St. Luke's, welcomed the added support

from the interns.

"Our neighboring colleges and universities are doing an excellent job preparing these students and I was able to point them in a direction and say, 'Go,'" said Naylor.

"I wanted to give them the autonomy to make decisions, ask questions and learn. It worked out great. They were able to deliver applications that will help reduce costs and improve efficiencies in our supply chain," Naylor said.

Thomas Pham, who interned as an IT Business Analyst, worked with Szydlow and Houghton to deliver the app to internal clients. He said his experience with the automated app and other projects he worked on was amazing. Pham is to graduate from Kutztown University in May 2023.

As the region's only health network with a four-year medical school, St. Luke's is committed to furthering education, research, innovation and knowledge.

Chad Brisendine, CIO, said he looks forward to spending time with the interns because it gives him a chance to demonstrate the role technology plays in healthcare.

"It's great to see how the interns grow during their time here at St. Luke's," said Brisendine.

"I schedule individual coaching sessions with each intern to discuss



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Summer 2022 interns in St. Luke's University Health Network IT Internship program.

their IT career goals, whether that means a career at St. Luke's or somewhere else, and I'm proud to say that a few of the interns I have coached are now CIOs."

Brandon Myung graduated from The Pennsylvania State University in spring 2022 and interned in summer 2022 in St. Luke's Information Security Department. As a student, Myung interned with two other companies, but he said his time at St. Luke's was most impactful because it was in healthcare. He was able to gain hands-on experience during the summer while working with his team on incidents as they happened.

Stephen Ender also in-

terned in the Information Security Department. He learned a job in the Security Department is not just about data, it's about people and their healthcare and disaster recovery. Ender is a sophomore at James Madison University this fall. "I learned that if we can further automate security work it allows others in the field to focus on more important things," said Ender.

Kane Deiley interned in the Project Management Office. He is back at West Chester University of Pennsylvania this fall as a senior. He also enjoyed the freedom to work on projects that sparked his interest and appreciated his mentor's

"extremely helpful and incredibly responsive" approach. During the summer, he helped with a project to automate part of the reporting process from one platform to another so information doesn't need to be manually entered.

Recent Northampton Community College graduate, Macaulai Cepeda worked in the Epic Security Department. Cepeda learned how to create accounts in St. Luke's electronic health record, Epic, so that new users could access the platform.

"Every day I came in there was something new to learn," said Cepeda. "There was a great sense of community and family."

Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

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Difficulty Level ★★★

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

Answer to previous puzzle

2	3	4	1	6	9	7	5	8
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Difficulty Level ★★★

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LEHIGH COUNTY SENIOR MENUS

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

Thursday, September 22: Hot: Cheese lasagna roll-up, carrots, broccoli, whole-wheat dinner roll, chocolate pudding. Lite: Ham and cheddar sandwich, broccoli salad, whole-wheat bread, apple slices.

Friday, September 23: Hot: Breaded fish sandwich, mashed potatoes, green beans, whole-wheat sandwich roll, coffee cake. Lite: Beef and bleu cheese salad, whole-wheat dinner roll, pineapple.

Monday, September 26: Hot: Fiesta chicken, Caribbean vegetable blend, Wednesday, September 21: Hot: Swedish meatballs, cauliflower and peas, rice pilaf, apple slices. Lite: Chef salad w/ chicken, whole-wheat roll, fresh orange.

Tuesday, September 27: Hot: Cheeseburger, broccoli salad, whole-wheat sandwich roll, fresh fruit salad. Lite: Cranberry chicken salad sandwich, lentil salad, whole-wheat sandwich roll, orange.

Wednesday, September 28: Hot: Hot dog, potato wedges, broccoli, whole-wheat hot dog roll, oatmeal cookie. Lite: Turkey Cobb salad, whole-wheat dinner roll, fresh banana.

Thursday, September 29: Hot: Creamed chicken, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, whole-grain biscuit, chocolate pudding. Lite: Deli sandwich, four bean salad, club roll, fresh melon.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY SENIOR MENUS

Many Northampton County Senior Centers are now open. Visit 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, September 21: Roast turkey w/ gravy, Pennsylvania "Dutch" stuffing, roasted beets, beets, spiced diced pears, cranberry juice.

Thursday, September 22: Herb baked chicken breast w/ gravy, cheesy mashed potatoes, Italian blend vegetables, fresh fruit cup.

Friday, September 23: Mixed green salad w/ creamy Italian dressing, Italian sausage w/ peppers and onions, home fries, garlic bread, banana mousse.

Monday, September 26: Ham w/ pineapple raisin sauce, candied sweet potatoes, asparagus tips, dinner roll, blushed diced pears.

Tuesday, September 27: Chicken stuffed w/ broccoli and cheese, confetti rice, kale root vegetable blend, chocolate brownie.

Wednesday, September 28: Baby kale salad w/ hot bacon dressing, shredded chicken w/ gravy, biscuit w/ margarine, string beans almondine, apple pie, orange juice.

Thursday, September 29: Garden salad w/ Catalina French dressing, stuffed cabbage, cheddar mashed potatoes, white cake w/ fudge icing.

Friday, September 30: Potato crusted cod, wild rice blend, Scandinavian blend, vegetables, plums, apple juice.

CRYPTOGRAM

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Z equals G

See solutions on Page B10

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

NOVEL INTRODUCTIONS

ACROSS

- 1 Downgrade
- 7 Morals
- 13 Rich fabric with a silky finish
- 20 "Bam!" chef Lagasse
- 21 Result in
- 22 Went to the polls again
- 23 1978 arcade classic
- 25 Immemorial
- 26 Gyro breads
- 27 Sue Grafton's "— for Alibi"
- 28 Its highest mountain is Denali
- 30 "... good witch — bad witch?"
- 31 Emphasize
- 33 Healthy
- 34 Bread sliced doubly thick
- 37 College transcript no.
- 39 Charge to pitch a product
- 44 Many a hospital delivery
- 45 Bottled water brand
- 49 "'Tis a pity!"
- 52 What a DJ talks into
- 55 President before Sadat
- 56 Not duped by
- 57 Jungle beast
- 58 Said "There, there" to, e.g.
- 60 Raised fortification
- 62 Song closing a Catholic service
- 67 Kauai, e.g.
- 68 Patch affixed with heat
- 69 Many a hospital delivery
- 70 Abbr. before an alias
- 71 "To quote myself ..."
- 73 Opposed to
- 74 Colorado's nickname
- 77 Big name in car parts
- 79 "Evita" star
- 80 Meadowland
- 81 Copy a lion
- 82 Old video game consoles
- 85 Not just moist
- 86 Yard uglifiers
- 88 Aruba is in it
- 91 Barbecue serving
- 92 "Gypsy" composer Jule
- 93 "Hip Hop Is Dead" rapper
- 94 Annual game at Aloha Stadium
- 101 Did perfectly
- 104 Fliers' military branch
- 105 He wrote "The Raven"
- 106 Annual honor given by Sports Illustrated
- 112 NYC subway line
- 113 Twin sister of He-Man
- 115 Actress on the sitcom "American Housewife"

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- 116 Author of the novels whose titles are the starts of nine answers in this puzzle
- 119 1990s talk show host Watts
- 120 Fly planes
- 121 Singer Dolly
- 122 Calls a talk show, e.g.
- 123 Went back over, as one's steps
- 124 Peripherals
- 24 Mil. alliance since 1949
- 29 White birds
- 31 Pig's digs
- 32 Auto garage brand
- 35 Lawyers' gp.
- 36 Lay turf on
- 37 Enthusiastic greeting
- 38 Mas' mates
- 40 Stops harping on the subject
- 41 "As is" transaction
- 42 Beseched
- 43 Acronym for four entertainment prizes
- 46 Scott Turow memoir
- 47 Actress Laura
- 48 Sp. woman
- 49 Dress of India
- 50 Opulent, floor-length cloak
- 51 Of lesser importance
- 52 Parisian pronoun
- 53 "You win"
- 54 Religious law
- 58 1040 ID
- 59 Must-see
- 61 It's south of Tenn.
- 63 Become a participant
- 64 Pollute
- 65 "Get what I'm talkin' about?"
- 66 Home to Augusta
- 71 It's south of Tenn.
- 72 Senate affirmatives
- 74 Pigeon shed
- 75 Allay
- 76 Home pest
- 77 Curved paths
- 78 Hailed vehicle
- 83 Brand of root beer
- 84 Stranded cell stuff
- 86 Nintendo game console
- 87 Fall away
- 89 Lighthouse lights
- 90 Sushi tuna
- 91 Border
- 95 Noble sort
- 96 Thawed
- 97 Beginning painting class
- 98 Accepting of
- 99 Became tiresome to
- 100 Gets wiser
- 102 Pop singer Lauper
- 103 City in southeast Minnesota
- 104 Fess up to
- 106 Frying fat
- 107 "The Time Machine" race
- 108 — monster
- 109 No-show GI
- 110 Not fully shut
- 111 Super review
- 113 Food herring
- 114 Cattle group
- 117 Cochlea site
- 118 W-2 pro

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Thomas McAndrew of Emmaus, PA has applied for a Private Detective's License. A hearing on the matter will be held in Lehigh County Court on September 29, 2022 at 1:30pm. Reference MD-1095-2022.
Sept. 14, 21, 28

PUBLIC NOTICE
Catasauqua Borough Authority will meet at 4:30pm on Thursday, September 29, 2022. The purpose of the meeting will be to reorganize the Authority and to discuss a resolution related to borrowing against and leasing the Borough Building.
Sept. 21

PUBLIC NOTICE
FICTITIOUS NAME REGISTRATION
An application for registration of the fictitious name **Lehigh Valley Copywriter, 727 W Market St Bethlehem PA 18018** Lehigh has been filed in the Department of State at Harrisburg, PA, File Date 07/29/2022 pursuant to the Fictitious Names Act, Act 1982-295. The name and address of the person who is a party to the registration is **Katherine Jackson, 727 West Market Street Bethlehem PA 18018**.
Sept. 21

PUBLIC NOTICE
MEETING NOTICE
The Borough of Emmaus Budget Workshop meetings will be held at the temporary Borough offices, located at 420 S 10th Street, Emmaus PA 18049, on October 20, 25, and 27, November 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, and 29 and December 1 at 4:00PM. This is an update to the previously advertised meeting schedules. The public is invited to attend.
Shane M. Pepe
Borough Manager
Sept. 21

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice for Petition for Certificate of title for motor vehicle notice is hereby given that on September 13, 2022, A petition for certificate of title for motor vehicle was filed in Northampton County Court of Common Pleas at No. C-48-2022-006452, seeking the title to a 2006 Mitsubishi Eclipse 4A3AK34T86E001328 registered to a Andy Junior Rivera. The court has fixed Thursday, October 20, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at the Northampton County Courthouse as the date of the hearing of the petition. All persons interested in the proposed certificate of title may appear and show cause, if any have, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted. Jonathan Kumeritsky, 212 Washington St., Walnutport, PA 18088.
Sept. 21, 28 & Oct. 5

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF PRIVATE DETECTIVE LICENSE RENEWAL
Ref: David J. Szfranski

Courtroom 2D - Lehigh County Courthouse
455 West Hamilton Blvd.,
Allentown, PA. 18101

Date: September 29, 2022
Time: 1:30 pm

Docket No. CP-39-MD-0001278-2022

This proceeding will take place before Judge Anna-Kristie M. Marks
Sept. 14, 21

PUBLIC NOTICE
Mechanics Plus Towing and Transport, Inc.
4701 Colebrook Ave, Emmaus PA 18049
610-967-3035
Cars Ready for Sealed Bid Auction
September 21, 2022
9 AM-10AM

2002 Honda Accord
1HGCG66832A036918

2004 Jeep Liberty
1J4GL48K14W137593

2011 Freightliner Cascadia
1FUJGLDR4BSBA8744

2007 Chrysler 300
2C3KA63H37H897660.

2005 Ford Escape
1FMYU03195KA31850

2013 Volkswagen Tiguan
WVGVB3AX8DW088012

2016 Jeep Cherokee
1C4PJLAB3GW177016

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PUBLIC NOTICE
SALISBURY TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2022 at 7:00PM

The Salisbury Township Planning Commission will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown PA 18103. The meeting will be to discuss the following items:

1525 EAST SUSQUEHANNA STREET (NO. 21-0214) - Review of the land development project submitted by Erika Perez-Lopez which proposes to convert an existing structure into a hair salon with additional parking.

All applicants and interested parties must attend in-person. Requests for more information, and to review the files in advance, should be directed to Kerry Rabold, Planning & Zoning Officer, at krabold@salisburytownship.pa.org or (610) 797-4000 ext. 5825. Sept. 14, 21

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE: STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARINGS,
NORTHERN LEHIGH MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The Northern Lehigh Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee will meet on Wednesday Sept. 28, 5:30 PM to review comments submitted to the Final Draft of the Plan. Members of the public are welcome to attend this virtual meeting and can get the link by calling Weisenberg Township at 610-285-6660 before 3 PM on 9/28.

The Borough of Slatington and the Townships of Heidelberg, Lynn, Lowhill, Washington and Weisenberg, all of Lehigh County, will hold public hearings to consider the adoption of the Northern Lehigh Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan at:

- Washington Township: Tuesday, Oct. 4, 7:30 PM** – Municipal Building, 7951 Center St, Emerald, PA 18080
- Lowhill Township: Thursday, Oct. 6, 6:30 PM** - Fogelsville Fire Company, 7850 Lime St, Fogelsville, PA 18051
- Slatington Borough: Monday, Oct. 10, 7 PM** – Municipal Building, 125 S. Walnut St, Slatington, PA 18080
- Weisenberg Township: Monday, Oct. 10, 7 PM** – Municipal Building, 2175 Seipstown Rd, Fogelsville, PA 18051
- Lynn Township: Thursday, Oct. 13, 6:30 PM** – Municipal Building, 7923 Kings Hwy, New Tripoli, PA 18066
- Heidelberg Township: Thursday, Oct. 20, 7:30 PM** – Municipal Building, 6272 Route 309, New Tripoli, PA 18066

The elected boards of the municipalities listed above invite public comment on the proposed Resolution, the following of which is only a summary:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE NORTHERN LEHIGH MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN CONSISTING OF MAPS, CHARTS AND TEXTUAL MATERIAL COVERING THE REQUIREMENTS AS SET FORTH IN THE PENNSYLVANIA MUNICIPALITIES PLANNING CODE.

The Northern Lehigh Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan is available for public inspection on the internet at plannl.org, and at the municipal buildings for each of the municipalities listed above.

BRIAN CARL, CHAIRPERSON
 NORTHERN LEHIGH MULTI-MUNICIPAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
 STEERING COMMITTEE
 Sept. 21

PUBLIC NOTICE
MUNICIPAL ADVERTISEMENT
BOROUGH OF NORTH CATAUSAQUA

Notice is hereby given that the Borough Council of North Catasauqua will conduct a public hearing and consider the adoption of the ordinance summarized herein, at a meeting on Monday, October 17, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. Said meeting will be held at in the Council Chambers at the Office of the Borough of North Catasauqua, located at 1066 Fourth Street, North Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, 18032. At said meeting, Council shall consider enacting, and if appropriate, will take a vote on adopting "An Ordinance of the Borough of North Catasauqua, County of Northampton, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Amending Ordinance the Uniform Construction Code – International Residential Code, Chapter 5, Buildings, Part 1."

The proposed ordinance amends Section R.105, "Permits, R.105.1, Required," of the International Residential Code 2018, Chapter 1, as adopted by Ordinance 370 to require that any person proposing to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish or change the occupancy of a building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert or replace any electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, the installation of which is regulated by Residential Code, or to cause any such work to be performed, shall first obtain a permit, irrespective of whether any egress or structural changes are made to the premises.

The full proposed text of said ordinance may be examined by any citizen at the Office of the Borough of North Catasauqua, located at 1066 Fourth Street, North Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, 18032, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. until the date of the aforesaid Borough Council Meeting. Copies of the proposed ordinance may be obtained for a charge not greater than the cost thereof. Persons with disabilities who require any auxiliary aid, service, or other accommodation to observe or participate should contact the Borough Office at least five (5) days before the above date to discuss how your needs may be best accommodated. Sept. 14, 21

PUBLIC NOTICE
PASSED ORDINANCES

The Whitehall Township Board of Commissioners, at a regular Public Meeting on Monday, September 12, 2022 held in the Public Meeting Room of the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA, approved the following legislation:

1. **ORDINANCE NO. 3274**
 TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP MAYOR TO ACCEPT A DEED OF DEDICATION FROM EBERHART PROPERTIES, LLC ALONG EBERHART ROAD FOR THE PURPOSE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY AND FUTURE ROAD CONSTRUCTION
2. **ORDINANCE NO. 3275**
 TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE DEADLINE FOR FILING RETURNS FOR BUSINESS PRIVILEGE TAXES UNDER CHAPTER 24, ARTICLE I OF THE WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP CODE
3. **ORDINANCE NO. 3276**
 TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CIVIL SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL, COUNTY OF LEHIGH, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, SETTING FORTH STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, PURSUANT TO THE FIRST CLASS TOWNSHIP CODE, DEFINING TERMS, ESTABLISHING THE DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE COMMISSION GOVERNING PROMOTION WITHIN THE BUREAU OF POLICE DETERMINING EXAMINATION PROTOCOLS AND CREATION OF ELIGIBILITY LISTS. (CSC/ADMIN)
4. **ORDINANCE NO. 3277**
 TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR DEMOLITION OF THE DWELLING UNIT LOCATED AT 921 PENNSYLVANIA STREET, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (DEVELOPMENT)
5. **ORDINANCE NO. 3278**
 TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSALS FOR THE GROUND WATER MONITORING PROGRAM FOR THE NOVAK SANITARY LANDFILL, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (ADMIN)
6. **ORDINANCE NO. 3279**
 TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER AND SEWER LINES TO SERVICE THE PAVILION AT THE WHITEHALL PARKWAY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 3.20 IN THE HOME RULE CHARTER WHICH REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITIONS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000 BY ORDINANCE. (RECREATION)

The above Ordinances are available for review by the public in the Administration offices at Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Sept. 21

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Borough Council of the Borough of Alburdis, at its regular meeting to be held on Wednesday, September 28, 2022, commencing at 7:00 p.m. at the Alburdis Borough Hall, 260 Franklin Street, Alburdis, Pennsylvania 18011, will consider and may enact an ordinance entitled and summarized as follows:

AN ORDINANCE SUBSTANTIALLY AMENDING CHAPTER 25 OF THE ALBURDIS CODIFIED ORDINANCES (RELATING TO STORMWATER MANAGEMENT) TO CONFORM TO THE UPDATED 2022 MODEL STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE DEVELOPED BY THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION; INCLUDING ARTICLES TITLED GENERAL PROVISIONS, DEFINITIONS, STORMWATER MANAGEMENT STANDARDS, STORMWATER MANAGEMENT (SWM) SITE PLAN REQUIREMENTS, INSPECTIONS, FEES AND EXPENSES, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, PROHIBITIONS, ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES, AND REFERENCES.

Copies of the full text of the proposed ordinance may be examined or obtained at cost at the Alburdis Borough Hall at the address set forth above during regular business hours, or by making arrangements with the Borough Manager at 610-966-4777. The Alburdis Borough Hall is accessible to the disabled. Please contact the Borough Manager at 610-966-4777 to arrange for any accommodations for a disability.

David G. Knerr, Esquire
 Solicitor

Sept. 21

PUBLIC NOTICE
INVITATION FOR BIDS

Valley Housing Development Corporation "VHDC", will receive sealed bids for the interior renovation of Seneca House in Fountain Hill, Pennsylvania.

Bids will be received in the offices of VHDC at 635 Broad Street, Emmaus, PA 18049 until 2:00 PM on October 4, 2022, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened.

Bid documents may be obtained at the offices of VHDC at 635 Broad Street, Emmaus, PA 18049 between the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:00 PM weekdays.

The project will consist of work to be performed under a single contract for general construction. Bidders are advised that payment of not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the specifications must be paid on this project.

VHDC solicits and encourages the participation of small diverse businesses, including Minority, Women, LGBT, Veteran and Disability-Owned business enterprises. Bidders are encouraged to participate in the hiring of Section 3 eligible persons.

VHDC reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to waive any informalities in the bidding process. No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of (30) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of VHDC.

The successful bidder will have one hundred (100) days from our acceptance of the bid to complete the project.

Valley Housing Development Corporation, Emmaus, Pennsylvania
 Christina Feiertag
 Executive Director

Contact:
 Russel Funkhouser
 Rehabilitation Coordinator
 (610) 433-3212, Extension 201
 Sept. 14, 21

PUBLIC NOTICE
Regular Board Meeting Notice

The Northampton County Housing Authority will hold a regular monthly board meeting on Monday, September 26, 2022 at 4:15 p.m. The meeting will be held in person at 15 S Wood Street, community room or join via ZOOM, invite below.

Topic: Northampton County Regular Board Meeting
 Time: Monday, Sept 26, 2022 04:15 PM Eastern Time
 Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88421243565?pwd=Rk5FNktmczQ4RGRrcE5ndlRmeEZFUT09>
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 Please contact Ms. Didden at (610) 759-8488 ex 19 for further inquiries.

Gwendolyn F. Didden, MHS, PCHA
 Executive Director/President
 Sept. 21

PUBLIC NOTICE
MUNICIPAL ADVERTISEMENT
BOROUGH OF NORTH CATAUSAQUA

Notice is hereby given that the Borough Council of North Catasauqua will conduct a public hearing and consider the adoption of the ordinance summarized herein, at a meeting on October 3, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. At said meeting, Council shall consider enacting, and if appropriate, will take a vote on adopting "Borough of North Catasauqua Stormwater Management Ordinance."

The proposed ordinance repeals and replaces Ordinance 386 of 2006, entitled the "Catasaqua Creek and Lehigh River Sub-Basins Watershed Act 167 – Stormwater Management Ordinance," to bring the Borough's storm water management requirements and processes into compliance with the 2022 standards set forth by the federal government, the Pennsylvania Storm Water Management Act, and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

The full proposed text of said ordinance may be examined by any citizen at the Office of the Borough of North Catasauqua, located at 1066 Fourth Street, North Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, 18032, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. until the date of the aforesaid Borough Council Meeting. Copies of the proposed ordinance may be obtained for a charge not greater than the cost thereof. Persons with disabilities who require any auxiliary aid, service, or other accommodation to observe or participate should contact the Borough Office at least five (5) days before the above date to discuss how your needs may be best accommodated. Sept. 14, 21

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of Supervisors of Hanover Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania will be accepting applications and letters of interest for a vacancy on the Board of Supervisors created by the pending resignation of Township Supervisor Jeffrey Warren.

All Applicants should send their current resumé and letter of intent to serve as a Township Supervisor (in one document) on the Board of Supervisors to the attention of Jay Finnigan, jfynnigan@hanoverwp-nc.org.

Applicants will need to have been a resident of Hanover Township, Northampton County continuously since October 14, 2021.

Applications will be accepted until 5:00 PM on October 14, 2022. Sept. 21, 28

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE TO BIDDERS – SURPLUS AUCTION

South Whitehall Township is soliciting bids for the following sale of surplus items:

2015 Ford Interceptor Sedan, 2010 Chevrolet Tahoe, 2003 GMC 2500 HD Utility Truck, 2010 Ford Crown Victoria, 2009 Ford Ranger, 2006 Ford Expedition, 2011 Ford Crown Victoria, 2017 Ford Interceptor SUV, 2007 Ford Fusion.

Online bids shall be submitted via Municibid, starting 10:00 a.m. on October 3, 2022. All solicitation details are available online at www.municibid.com.

Any questions concerning this notice should be directed to Donna Zackeru-Lagonia, South Whitehall Township Purchasing Agent/Contracts Administrator, at 610-398-0401 ext. 227.

South Whitehall Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to accept the bid which it determines in its best interests.

Donna Zackeru-Lagonia
 Purchasing Agent

Sept. 21

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE REGISTRATION NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in the Estate of the Decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills has granted Letters of Administration to the person 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 administrators or to their attorneys named below:

Decedent: **Helen L. Notaro**
 Date of Death: December 20, 2021
 Late of: Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania
 Administrator: **James Robert DeWalt and Thomas Richard DeWalt**
 c/o Joseph P. Yannuzzi, Esquire
 211 West Broad St.
 Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517
 Attorney: **Joseph P. Yannuzzi, Esquire**
 211 W. Broad Street
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Greg A. Ruch, Executor
 c/o David B. Schwartz, Esquire
 514 Fullerton Avenue, Suite 2
 Whitehall, PA 18052
 or to: David B. Schwartz, Esquire
 514 Fullerton Avenue, Suite 2
 Whitehall, PA 18052
 Sept., 7, 14, 21

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of TIMOTHY L. YEAKEL, Deceased, late of the Borough of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:
MIRANDA AGNES YEAKEL, EXECUTRIX
 c/o her attorney:
JOHN M. ASHCRAFT, III, ESQUIRE
 Address: 20 North 5th Street, Suite #1
 Emmaus, PA 18049
 Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of MONA L. KODER, Deceased, late of the Borough of Hellertown, 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:
Randall James Koder, Executor
 c/o his attorney:
JOHN M. ASHCRAFT, III, ESQUIRE
 Address: 20 North 5th Street, Suite #1
 Emmaus, PA 18049
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of CALVIN C. STAIR, late of the City of Bethlehem, County of Lehigh and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, deceased.
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Letters Testamentary on the above-named estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those claims or demands to present the same without delay to:
Executrix: JULIE STAIR
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 P.O. Box 1426
 Bethlehem, PA 18016-1426
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 Decedent: **ALAN M. LEVY, a/k/a ALAN LEVY**
 Date of Death: July 18, 2022
 Late of: Bethlehem, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania
 Executor: **Aida Levy**
 c/o Joseph P. Yannuzzi, Esquire
 211 West Broad St.
 Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517
 Attorney: **Joseph P. Yannuzzi, Esquire**
 211 W. Broad Street
 Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517
 Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of John L. Nicholas, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Dale Nicholas, Administratrix, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105 or her Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of BARRY KLINE, a/k/a GALE B. KLINE, a/k/a G.B. KLINE, deceased, late of 1925 W. Turner Street, City of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **Neil D. Scheidt**, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or his Attorney, David M. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Mary Ann Higgins, a/k/a MaryAnn Higgins, deceased, late of 6208 Hilltop Road, Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **Shawn D. Schmitt**, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or her Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF Joan L. Sweeney, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, PA. 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:
Jennifer L. Renninger
 c/o Steckel and Stopp LLC
 Executor: or to their Attorney, Steckel and Stopp LLC, By: Keith W. Strohl, Esquire, at 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of KENNETH L. SHADE, II deceased, late of Lower Macungie Township Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.
 Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to
Karen A. Shade, Executrix
 c/o **YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062**
 Or to her Attorney **YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062**
 Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of Patricia A. Dooley, deceased, late of 1940 W. Turner Street, Apt. #411, City of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **Mary Dooley**, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 N. Fifth St. Allentown, PA 18102 or her Attorney, David M. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 N. Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Charles Oleksa, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **Mark Oleksa, Executor**, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 N. Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or his Attorney, David M. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 N. Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of Diana G. Reitnauer, late of Emmaus, 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 **Kerry J. Reitnauer, Executor**, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105 or her Attorney, David M. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of Paul P. Hanzlick, Jr., late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the below named personal representative, 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 **Candace E. Hanzlick, Executrix**, c/o The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105 or her Attorney, Larry R. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, P.O. Box 4355, Allentown, PA 18105.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
TRUST NOTICE
TRUST of ESTHER HALPERIN, late of the Township of South Whitehall, County of Lehigh, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
 The Trustee, Jonathan Eric Halperin requests all persons having claims or demands against the Trust or the Settlor to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Settlor to make payments without delay to **Jonathan Eric Halperin, Trustee**, c/o 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017; or **Timothy J. Duckworth, Esquire, Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C.**, 2045 Westgate Drive, Suite 404, Bethlehem, PA 18017.
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PUBLIC NOTICE:
Estate of Cleo E. Besz, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Susan B. Kulp, Executor
 c/o Emily A. Zettlemoyer
 53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049
 or to her attorney:
Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esq.
 53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049
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 Decedent: **BERNARD EARL DRONEY**
 Date of Death: July 29, 2022
 Late of: Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania
 Executor: **Michele Marie Turner**
 c/o William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire
 211 W. Broad Street
 Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517
 Attorney: **William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire**
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 Decedent: **Carol Eleanor Hafner**
 Date of Death: August 6, 2022
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 Attorney: **William W. Matz, Jr., Esquire**
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 Decedent: **Daniel T. Knotts**
 Date of Death: February 2, 2022
 Late of: Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania
 Administrator: **Christina Anne Clark**
 c/o Joseph P. Yannuzzi, Esquire
 211 West Broad St.
 Bethlehem, PA 18018-5517
 Attorney: **Joseph P. Yannuzzi, Esquire**
 211 W. Broad Street
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Full-Time Public Works Employee
 Lehigh Township is seeking multi-skilled applicants to fill a position in the Public Works Department. Candidates should have experience in the construction field and be comfortable working with various equipment and power tools. Pesticide spraying license and PennDOT flagger certification a plus. Duties include, but are not limited to routine road maintenance (including earthmoving and paving work, building repairs and maintenance, park maintenance, and snow and ice removal. Must be available for emergency call out. Must have HS Diploma or equivalent. Must possess a valid PA driver's license in good standing with minimum of CDL Class B endorsement; Class A preferred. Candidates are subject to pre-employment Drug and Alcohol testing as well as random drug and alcohol tests if employed. Competitive salary and benefits. Residency within 10 miles of Municipal Complex a plus. Application forms are available at the Municipal Building or on the website, www.lehightownship.com. Applications can be submitted to Lehigh Township, 1069 Municipal Road, Walnutport, Pa. 18088. Applications will be accepted through October 7 or when the position is filled.

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How to prepare your car for winter

Summer and fall can stake their claim as road trip season, and even devoted drivers may admit that winter is generally a less desirable time to take to the open road. The elements factor heavily into that reputation, as fewer hours of daylight, snow and ice are just some of the variables that can make it less enjoyable, and potentially more dangerous, to drive in winter.

In anticipation of adverse driving conditions, vehicle owners can take various steps to prepare their cars and trucks for winter.

• Upgrade your wiper blades. Perhaps nothing is compromised more than visibility when driving in winter compared to other times of year. Snow makes it hard to see when driving, but fewer hours of daylight also can affect visibility. In fact, the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety reports that, approximately half of all fatal crashes occur between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., even though the number of drivers on the road during those hours is considerably lower than it is



during the daytime. The difficulty of driving at night is even more significant when wiper blades are not up to the task of keeping rain and snow off drivers' windshields. Prior to winter, inspect wiper blades and upgrade them, if necessary. Streaks left on a windshield are a tell-tale sign that blades need to be replaced.

• Purchase winter tires. Winter tires may not be necessary in re-

gions with relatively mild winters. However, drivers accustomed to winters marked by heavy snowfall and/or icy roads should consider replacing their existing tires with winter tires. Many newer vehicles are now equipped with all-season tires, which the tire experts at Bridgestone note provide great performance but are not designed to handle extreme winter conditions like

snow and ice. Winter tires are specially designed to handle such conditions, making them a worthy investment for drivers who live in regions where it's not unusual to encounter snow and ice throughout the winter.

• Study up on your engine oil. Some vehicle manufacturers recommend different grades of oil depending on the range of temperatures a

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The principles of defensive driving

Defensive driving can prevent accidents and save lives. Defensive driving also could save drivers money on car insurance. With so much to gain from driving defensively, a refresher on the principles of defensive driving could benefit drivers of all ages.

What is defensive driving?

Drivers undoubtedly have heard the term "defensive driving," but may not fully understand what it means. In the simplest sense, defensive driving is an approach to driving that focuses on anticipating and reacting to potential hazards when behind the wheel. Defensive drivers apply various skills and techniques to defend against potential accidents caused by reckless drivers.

Who can benefit from defensive driving?

Anyone can benefit from a defensive driving course. New drivers may benefit the most because it gives them a strong foundation for safe driving. A defensive driving course also may help drivers remove tickets from their driving record or remove points from a license for first-time offenders, indi-



icates DefensiveDriving.org. Defensive driving courses also may help prevent high insurance premiums or rate hikes following a ticket or accident.

The principles of defensive driving

Defensive driving courses differ, but the following are some of the basic principles of driving defensively.

- Be alert to surroundings. This is one of the most important aspects of defensive driving. Paying attention to the road and avoiding distractions prevents accidents. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says removing one's eyes from the road for five seconds while driving 55

miles per hour is like driving the length of a football field with your eyes closed. Drivers should scan the horizon, check blind spots and know what's going on around their vehicles.

- Employ the three-second rule. Leave sufficient distance between your vehicle and the one in front of you. A driver should pass a stationary object on the side of the road no earlier than three seconds after the vehicle driving ahead of them has passed it.

- Don't drive impaired. Drugs, alcohol and fatigue can adversely affect performance behind the wheel. Precise movements, fast-thinking and focus are adversely affect-

ed when driving tired or under the influence.

- Leave yourself an out. Figure out a way to avoid collisions at all times while driving. This includes not being boxed in by other drivers or barriers. This can be achieved by leaving significant distance between your vehicle and the one in front of you, by obeying the speed limit and ensuring there's a lane to move into that's free and clear.

- Avoid bad drivers. Steer clear of drivers who are acting recklessly, and give them a wide berth. Move over, slow down and keep an eye on these drivers to avoid a collision. Similarly, move over for tailgaters and avoid succumbing to road rage.

- Be courteous and follow the rules. Respect the rules of the road that you learned in drivers' education classes. This includes wearing a seat belt, obeying the speed limit, slowing down for bad weather, and giving over the right of way to a reckless driver if it means staying safe.

Defensive driving is a strategy that can help reduce accidents and save lives.

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car or truck will be driven in. The owner's manual will likely indicate if the manufacturer recommends using a different type of engine oil in especially cold temperatures. Even if the manual does not include such a suggestion, drivers can seek the advice of a local mechanic.

- Schedule a pre-winter tuneup. Even if a vehicle is not due for a tuneup, it can be wise to have it looked over by a local me-

chanic before the arrival of harsh winter weather. A mechanic can check the radiator, hoses and other components that could be affected by especially cold weather in the months to come. If any issues are found, address them immediately. After all, it's better to be proactive than leave yourself vulnerable to breakdowns or other issues once the mercury drops.

As fall gives way to winter, drivers can take steps to keep their cars running strong and safe in the months ahead.

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Technology has touched all aspects of modern life, including the way people drive. For example, the days of printing directions in advance of long car trips are long gone thanks to global positioning systems (GPS) that are now built in to cars or easily accessible via smartphones. But technology hasn't just made it easier to get from point A to B. It's also made such journeys safer.

Modern automobiles are loaded with bells and whistles, many of which are designed to make it safer to operate and travel in moving vehicles. In recognition of the effectiveness of safety features like advanced driver-assistance systems (ADAS), many insurance companies offer significant dis-

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counts to drivers who use them. Researchers with the insurance comparison website Insurify note that some insurers offer 10 percent discounts on premiums to drivers who use features like an ADAS while driving.

Drivers interested in tech-based safety features for their vehicles can consider these options.

Heated wiper blades: Ice and snow pose a significant threat to drivers and their passengers. According to the Federal Highway Administration, 70 percent of roads in the United States are located in snowy regions, while Canadians need no such statistics to know that their roads are subjected to heavy snowfall each winter as well. Visibility is easily compromised when driving in snowy, icy conditions.



Heated wiper blades can quickly melt snow and ice buildup on a windshield, making it easier for drivers to see the road ahead. Such blades also save drivers from the unenviable task of scraping ice off their windshields.

Night view assistance: Many drivers admit to experiencing difficulty driving at night. Night view assistance

technologies have been offered by luxury automakers for several years, and these devices offer more visibility than standard headlights. Some systems employ infrared emitters in headlight buckets and mounted infrared cameras that identify and detect animals, pedestrians and other objects at night. Drivers simply activate their systems on their ve-

hicle dashboards and are then alerted when the systems detect objects drivers may not see on their own.

Warning systems: Warning systems have long been a standard in modern vehicles. Such systems utilize sensors and motion technology to alert drivers to potential problems. Lane assist technologies alert drivers when their vehicles begin to drift out of their lanes and also when they are attempting to change lanes. These systems are now widely available, but they can be turned on and off, so drivers should make sure their systems are always on.

Technology is helping to make driving safer for motorists and their passengers. Utilizing systems and apps designed to improve safety on the road can reduce drivers' risk of being involved in motor vehicle accidents.

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Take stock of your tire-changing tools. Vehicles typically come with the tools drivers need to change a flat tire, especially if the car or truck was purchased from a dealership. In addition to a spare tire, the tools drivers will need include a jack and a lug wrench. Tire wedges are not absolutely necessary, but when placed in front



of or behind the tires, they can prevent rolling while changing the tire. A small flashlight kept in the glove compartment or center console storage

also can be helpful, but drivers also can download a flashlight app on their smartphones to provide some extra illumination when changing a flat at night.

Turn on your hazard lights and find a safe place to pull over. The moment drivers recognize a tire is flat, they should turn on their hazard lights and find a safe place to pull over. Avoid

Turn on your hazard

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changing tires on narrow shoulders, as that leaves you and your passengers vulnerable to oncoming traffic. If you must, drive on the rim until you can find a safe place to pull over and change the tire. If possible, pull into an empty parking lot. Flat ground is ideal, as it can prevent the car from rolling while the tire is being changed.

- Apply the parking brake upon stopping. The parking brake can reduce the risk of the vehicle rolling while the tire is being changed, so always apply it before getting out of the car.

- Place the wheel wedges in the appropriate place. If you have wheel wedges, place them in front of the front tires and behind the rear tires when changing a front

tire.

- Remove the hubcap. Some vehicles are equipped with hubcaps that cover the lug nuts. If that's the case, then remove the hubcap before lifting the vehicle with the jack. If that's not the case, simply loosen the lug nuts, which may require a little extra effort since lug nuts tend to be on very tight. At this point, it's easier to loosen the lug nuts than remove them entirely, which can be done once you're ready to remove the tire.

- Put the jack to work. Now it's time to place the jack and ultimately lift the vehicle. The experts at Bridgestone Tire note that many modern vehicles now have areas of exposed metal on the bottom designed specifically for jack placement. Consult your owner's manual to find this spot, and then raise the vehicle until the tire is about six inches from the ground.

- Remove the lug nuts. Once the tire is off the ground, remove the already loosened lug nuts, ideally placing them in a small receptacle or bag so they won't roll away.

- Remove the flat tire. Using both hands, grip the tire by the treads and gently pull it off. Bridgestone recommends placing the tire on its side so it does not roll away.

- Mount the spare. When mounting the spare, gently push the tire on until the lug bolts can be seen through the rim.

- Tighten the lug nuts. One by one, place the lug nuts back on the bolts and tighten then by hand. Tighten them as much as possible so they're able to hold the spare on as effectively as they held the original tire in place.

- Lower the vehicle. Patiently lower the vehicle using the jack until the spare tire is resting on the ground but not with the full weight of

the vehicle on it. At this point, Bridgestone recommends drivers use their full body weight to tighten the lug nuts once more before fully lowering the vehicle. Once the vehicle has been lowered, some drivers may notice the hubcap does not fit over their spare. That's alright, as it's safe to drive without a hubcap covering the spare. In such instances, place the hubcap in the trunk when you're putting back the jack, wrench and flat tire. But if the hubcap does fit over the spare, put it back on.

- Check the pressure on the spare tire. A portable inflator can indicate the tire pressure in the spare and inflate it if need be. Drivers who cannot determine the pressure in the spare should drive slowly to the nearest service station and have the pressure checked or even the spare changed to a new tire, if possible.

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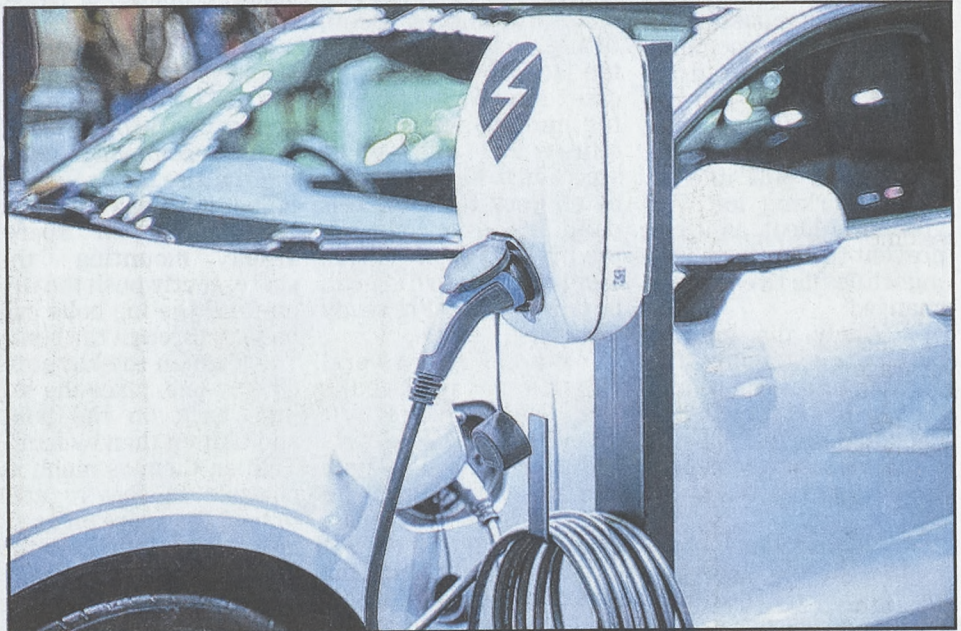
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Tips for first-time electric car buyers

Electric vehicles are widely touted as the vehicles of the future. Despite the growing availability of such cars in the present day, for many drivers EVs remain a novelty. That means buying an EV for the first time is a wholly new and unique experience.

Tesla EVs might be the most visible electric cars on the road today, but most major auto manufacturers, including Nissan and Chevrolet, produce EVs as well. That means auto buyers have more EV options now than ever before, which can make the process of buying such a car more exciting, but also more difficult. Narrowing down a growing number of options may not come easy to first-time EV buyers, who can keep these tips in mind as they begin



this exciting journey.

Get an idea of the accessibility of charging stations around your home. The number of

public charging stations is on the rise, but there's still a lot of work to be done in this area. In fact, research from McKinsey & Company indicates that nearly half of consumers in the United States indicate that battery or charging issues are their foremost concerns about buying EVs. The automotive resource AutoTrader notes that most EVs have enough battery range to cover more than the average daily commute in America. But drivers who hope to use their EVs as their everyday cars that take them to work and help them run errands and get around town

should confirm there are enough public charging stations to make that possible.

Look into subsidies. The Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy notes that all-electric and plug-in hybrid cars purchased new in or after 2010 may be eligible for a federal income tax credit that could be as high as \$7,500. State and/or local incentives also may apply. The Canadian Automobile Association reports that the Government of Canada offers point-of-sale incentives of as much as \$5,000 for drivers who buy or lease an

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EV. These subsidies can help bring the cost of EV ownership down by a significant amount and are worth exploring as drivers decide which electric car or truck to buy.

Consider your parking situation. Homeowners who own single-family homes with a garage that can accommodate at least one vehicle can easily charge their EVs so long as they clear space in the garage where the car can be parked. Auto Trader notes that some garages may need to be upgraded with a level two charger, and that can be expensive. Drivers who must park their EVs outdoors overnight should know that this, too, may require some additional funds for electric vehicle service equipment (EVSE). Local building codes may govern the installation of



such equipment, which is best performed by an electrician. These are some additional costs of EV ownership that first-time buyers must consider

and research before they switch to an electric car or truck.

EVs may become the new normal over the next several decades. But

before that day arrives, first-time EV buyers must consider a host of factors as they shop around for an electric car or truck.

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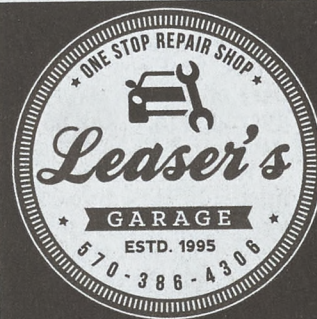
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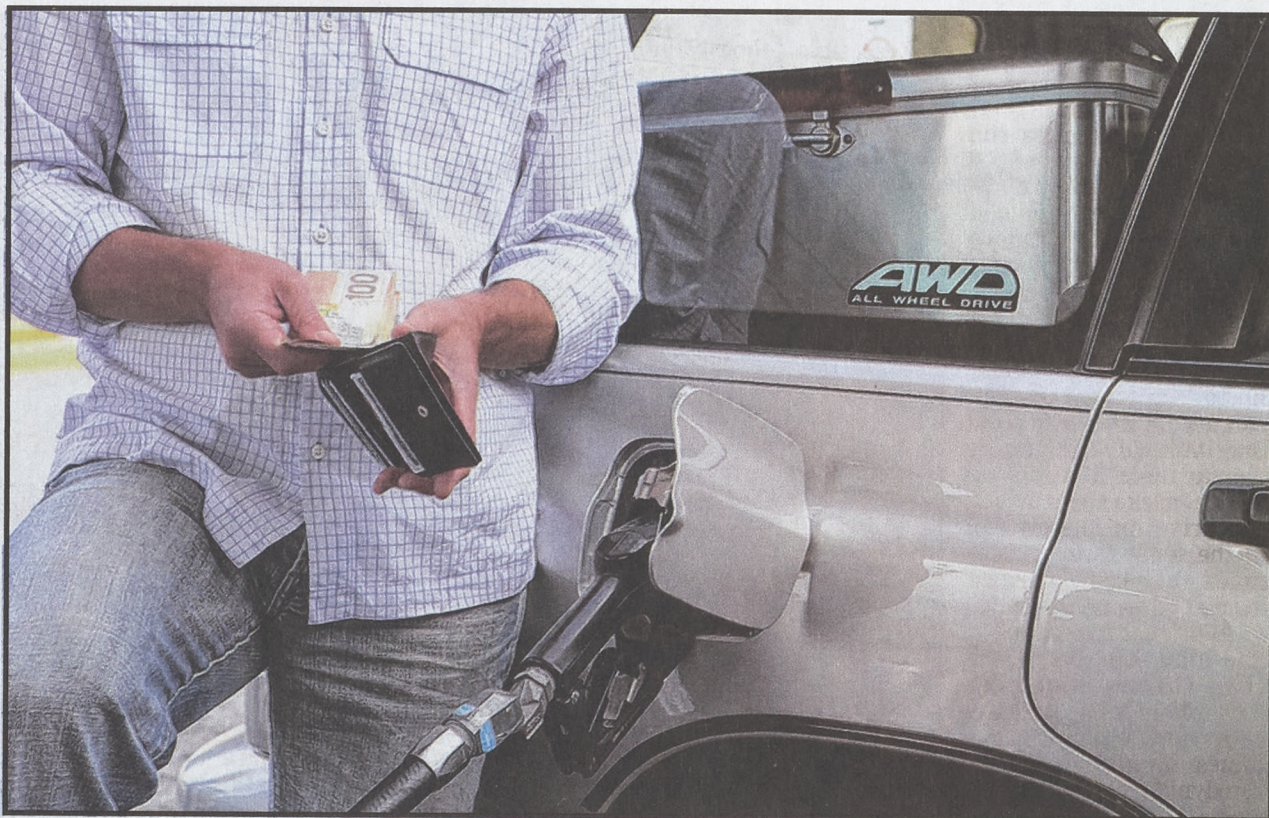


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Gas prices have been historically high in 2022. According to the fuel price comparison site GasBuddy.com, as of June 2022, the least expensive state for regular gas was Georgia, at \$4.43 a gallon. The most expensive was California, where drivers could expect to pay about \$6.34 per gallon. During June, which marks the

beginning of the summer travel season in many areas, fuel costs in most part of the United States averaged around \$5 per gallon.

With prices so high, many drivers have been looking for any way to save money at the pump. Some may have cut back on driving habits while others might have orga-

nized community car-pools. Others may have taken to other modes of transportation. For those who have no option but to drive their vehicles, there are ways to reduce fuel consumption without resorting to walking or cycling.

Lighten your load

How much weight is being carted around in a vehicle can directly affect the amount of gas it consumes. Remove any unnecessary items from

the trunk or cargo area of a truck or SUV. Consider removing extra accessories, like roof racks or hitches.

Slowly accelerate

Resist the urge to “gun it” when coming off a stop light or stop sign, as rapid acceleration wastes gas. Press the accelerator pedal gently to increase speeds gradually and conserve fuel. Similarly, coast to a stop, rather

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than slamming on the brakes.

Don't idle

Turn off the engine if you will be idling for more than a minute. Idling for longer than that is merely wasting fuel. Modern engines do not need to be warmed up for more than 30 to 60 seconds, even when the weather is cold. Driving will warm up the car faster than idling while parked, provided you drive moderately until the temperature gauge shows the car has reached the right temperature.

AC or windows open?

While it's true that the air conditioning will drain fuel when in use, driving with the windows open makes the vehicle less aerodynamic by causing drag. Some experts recommended leaving the windows down during slower, city driving and using the AC for higher speeds on the

highway.

Keep tires properly inflated

Poorly inflated tires can make a vehicle less efficient by causing more friction between tire and roadway. Check the PSI rating for the tires and inflate accordingly. Many modern vehicles automatically alert drivers when tires are low on air.

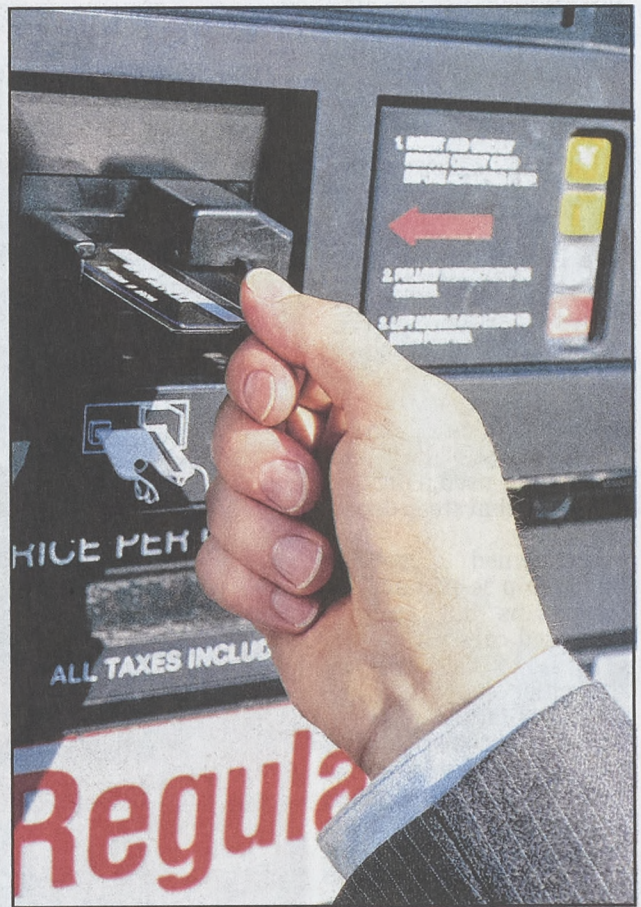
Drive a consistent speed

When driving on the highway, switch to cruise control to maintain a consistent speed. Driving steady reduces drag, which in turn reduces fuel consumption.

Stick to a maintenance schedule

Maintaining your vehicle by getting routine oil changes, fluid checks and other simple maintenance helps a car or truck run properly, and that can help conserve fuel.

These are just a few strategies drivers can employ to conserve fuel in the face of historically high gas prices.



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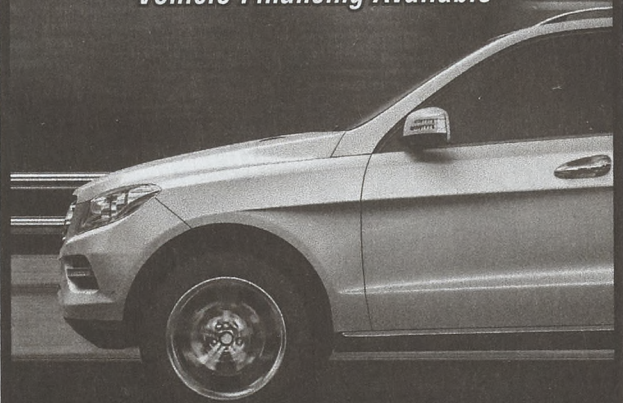


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A guide to buying pre-owned vehicles

Buying a pre-owned vehicle can be a cost-effective way to get a reliable, affordable car or truck. The moment a new car leaves a lot, it starts to depreciate in value, according to U.S. News & World Report. After the first few years of ownership, the vehicle has lost a significant amount of its value. By buying used, consumers avoid that steep depreciation.

Pre-owned vehicle ownership is popular, as Americans buy 50 million used cars a year, according to Paul Taylor, the chief economist for the National Automobile Dealers Association. Buying a pre-owned vehicle takes a little more research and work than buying new, but that time spent can be worth it. Here's how to navigate purchasing a used car or truck.

• **Check vehicle value.** Utilize a car pricing tool such as Kelley Blue Book or Edmunds to gauge the value of a used vehicle. This way you'll have an understanding of the range of prices that are acceptable for a vehicle of a certain age, make and condition.

• **Consider "certified" pre-owned vehicles.** Many dealerships stand behind vehicles of a certain age and condition.



Often called certified pre-owned vehicles, these tend to be lease turn-ins that are between three and four years of age and may still be under full or partial warranties. Certified pre-owned vehicles remove some of the worry associated with buying

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• **Confirm financing rates.** Many manufacturers are offering financing for certified pre-owned vehicles that are as competitive as those for new cars. Shopping around for rates, both at dealerships

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and other lenders, can make pre-owned vehicles even more affordable.

Exercise caution with private sellers. Buying from a private seller is a bit riskier than utilizing a dealership. That's because the due diligence falls on you as the buyer. Ask for a vehicle history report (commonly known as the CARFAX®) for any vehicle you're considering, even if it means paying for the report. The report will list any accidents and other red flags. If a seller refuses to offer the report, pass on the deal.

Bring a mechanic. Another safeguard is to have your own mechanic look over the vehicle before purchase. A professional will know what to look for in terms of unusual wear and tear on a vehicle that may not be



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Budget for all costs. Before making any decisions, develop a used car budget that takes into consideration the total cost of

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Since they first became widely available in the early 20th century, cars have inspired no small number of passionate devotees. Some people simply can't resist the thrills of the open road, while others love driving because of the sense of independence it provides. Regardless of what inspires their passions, come the holiday season, auto enthusiasts undoubtedly would be excited to unwrap these auto-related gifts.

• **Car wash kit:** It's one thing to drive, and another thing entirely to drive a car that looks like it's fresh off the dealership lot. Car wash kits come in various sizes, so they're ideal for holiday shoppers working with various budgets. Kits may include wet wax, wheel gel, glass cleaner, a short handle brush, and micro-fiber towels, among other supplies. Each accessory within the kit can make cars or trucks shine and look as good as new.

• **Mechanics' tool kit:** Many car lovers enjoy working on their vehicles almost as much as they love driving them. That makes a mechanic's tool kit a must-have for auto enthusiasts. Like car wash kits, mechanics' kits are ideal gifts because they can suit shoppers working with various budgets. Extensive kits include all the tools car



lovers need, from ratchets to extension bars to sockets and more, to spend a fun day working in the garage.

• **Tire inflator:** All those miles on the open road is bound to catch up with tires over time, and a portable tire inflator can ensure tires are always properly inflated. Cordless varieties are popular, but so are options that can be plugged into vehicle lighters. Either way,

this is a must-have item for anyone who puts a lot of miles on their vehicle.

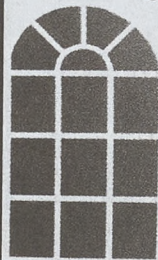
• **Autocross lesson:** Of course, gifts for auto lovers needn't be restricted to helping them take care of their own cars. Autocross lessons can teach drivers the finer points of timed competitions while enabling them to get behind the wheel of an exotic car they've dreamed of driving. Autocross schools typically

have classes for drivers with experience as well as novices, making this a fun gift for anyone who wants to take the thrill of driving to the next level.

There's no shortage of gift ideas to please the auto enthusiast on your holiday shopping list this year. From the fun to the functional, there's something for everyone who loves being behind the wheel.

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Charge up your car battery knowledge

Vehicles consist of many essential components to keep them running efficiently and effectively. Car and truck owners should have an understanding of how their vehicles function so they can diagnose and address problems as they arise.

Car batteries are an important component of any vehicle. Even though engines are the powerhouse of any car or truck, without a battery, the engine wouldn't be able to work. According to Firestone Complete Auto Care, car batteries work by providing a jolt of electricity necessary to power all the electrical components of the vehicle. This is achieved through a chemical reaction that changes chemical energy into the electrical energy needed to deliver voltage to the

starter. In addition to initially starting the car, the battery also keeps electric current steady to keep the engine running.

The battery also works in conjunction with the alternator to power the electronics in the car, according to the automotive information blog Autosessive. While the car is running, the alternator reverses the current produced by the battery, recharging it as a result. This happens during long journeys, so people who drive for short bursts of time may find that their batteries will not have a chance to recharge and may not have the longevity desired.

There is quite literally a lot riding on a functioning battery. No one wants to be caught stranded by a dead battery, so drivers

may wonder if there are any indicators that may signal the battery needs replacement.

- **Slow turnover:** If a vehicle does not immediately start or if the cranking is sluggish and takes longer to start, it may mean the battery is starting to fail.

- **Frequent, short trips:** Drivers who make frequent, short trips may find their car batteries do not have time to fully recharge. This, coupled with overtaking thanks to a lot of accessory use, may cause the battery and the alternator to have shortened life spans.

- **Low battery fluid levels:** If the fluid level is below the energy conductor inside, it is often indicative of overcharging and excessive heat.

- **Corrosion:** Corrosion

buildup, dust, dirt, and grime on battery connections may cause performance problems. Inspecting and cleaning the terminals can prolong the battery life.

- **Odors and leaks:** Battery leaks can produce a sulfur odor similar to the smell of a rotten egg. This can become problematic over time, and leaks may indicate an aging or damaged battery.

- **Age:** Most batteries have a finite life span. A well-maintained battery can last up to five years. Neglect can reduce that life expectancy considerably.

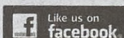
- **Bloated or cracked battery case:** Replace the battery immediately if the case is cracking, as it could be because excessive heat is swelling the battery.

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How to maintain an older vehicle

New cars have been costly for quite some time, but those costs have spiked considerably since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. That unprecedented rise has led many motorists to wonder how they can get more mileage out of their existing vehicles.

According to data from Kelley Blue Book and Cox Automotive, the average cost of a new car in September 2021 was just over \$45,000. That marked a \$3,000 increase from June 2021 and a \$5,000 increase from the end of 2020.

Drivers who can't afford to keep up with the rising cost of new vehicles can take these steps to keep their existing cars running smoothly for years to come.

Take care of the timing belt. Engines may get all the glory, but they cannot run smoothly without a fully functional timing belt. Engines need various components to do their job, and those components must do so at the right time for the engine to run smoothly. Fully functional timing belts help to synchronize movements, but belts must be replaced every so often. Owner's manuals may note when to replace the timing belt, but they generally must be replaced every 60,000 to 105,000 miles. That's infrequent, but drivers can ask their



mechanics to keep an eye on their timing belts. One issue many drivers encountered in the early months of the pandemic when people were driving less frequently was timing belts that were failing long before they reached the projected mile markers. That's because infrequent driving can hasten the demise of the timing belt. This is something

for aging drivers who no longer drive a lot to keep in mind.

Take care of the brakes and associated components. The experts at Popular Mechanics urge drivers of older vehicles to replace their brake fluid every two years. Popular Mechanics also advises drivers whose cars are more than seven years old to replace the rubber brake lines when major

brake work is required.

Pay attention to oil levels. The older engines get, the more oil they're going to burn. So drivers of older vehicles should check their oil levels more often than they would if their vehicles were brand new. This also is a great way to discover leaks before they lead to potentially significant issues.

Don't skip maintenance appointments. Even if you're still driving less due to the pandemic, it's best not to skip recommended maintenance intervals. That's true for drivers of all cars, but especially those whose vehicles are aging. Routine tune-ups and oil changes, which may need to become more frequent the older the vehicle gets, can keep cars running smoothly and protect the engine over the long haul.



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