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## Girl Scouts mitigating supply chain challenges

BY JANET DONOVAN  
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

It's cookie season in Northeast and Central Pennsylvania – the third during this COVID-19 worldwide pandemic. When COVID-19 struck in 2020, the girls provided Girl Scout Cookies to their customers through creative and innovative ways, despite the lockdowns. The business community shared in helping those efforts. They learned about how to take their cookie business digital and how to create opportunities for contactless delivery. The second year, in 2021, they built on those skills, and many troops focused on Gifts of Caring to support the first responders and deployed



GSHPA was informed by our baker, Little Brownie Bakers, earlier this year that they were experiencing production delays.

military. This year, Girl Scouts, along with the rest of the nation, are learning about supply chain.

Recent national media attention about the Girl Scouts highlighted some of the production challenges that councils are experiencing regarding the cookie program. Although Girl Scouts in the Heart of Pennsylvania haven't been immune to supply chain and labor issues, they are working diligently with the girls, volunteers and customers to ensure positive outcomes for membership and for those they serve.

This is also an important time to

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## PEOPLE SAY

BY LANI GOINS

Considering the 15-year-old Russian figure skater who was accused of taking prohibited medication, do you think age 15 is too young for Olympic competition? Should there be a minimum age set for Olympic competitors?



"I think competitors should be 18 or older, adults are best responsible for their own decisions."

**Michelle Adler**  
 Emmaus



"Under 18 is too young, could be considered child abuse by parents and coaches."

**Michelle Scales**  
 Emmaus

## BASD

### Mask mandate under review

BY JENN RAGO  
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

Nitschmann MS Principle Dr. Peter Mayes addressed the school board Feb. 14 as an advocate for the Fit for Life program that is being suggested as part of the sports medicine sponsorship agreement with St.Lukes Hospital.

Mayes stressed the importance of additional programming for all kids, but specifically those transitioning from elementary to middle school. This program would provide opportunities for all children in the district, as well as securing strong relationships with community partners, such as the City of Bethlehem, Moravian University, and the Health Bureau.

Meanwhile, Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy reported the district has been reevaluating its current mask mandate. He said the tiered

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## CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Guest speaker Andrew Jones, owner of G and A Christian Barber Shop, 12th and Tilghman streets in Allentown, gives Levi Levy a trim.

PRESS PHOTOS BY JESSICA LEE

## Meeting Madam C.J. Walker

The South Bethlehem Historical Society celebrated Black History Month by discussing African American Hair Sunday, Feb. 13.

Esther Lee, SBHS program chairwoman,

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with members of the SBHS and the public, gathered in the cafeteria at Broughal MS for a program that included explaining barbering African American hair. Guest speaker Andrew Jones, from G and A Christian Barber Shop, 12th and Tilghman streets, Allentown, trimmed the volunteer's hair and shared information about retail products

available in stock. Two members of the audience volunteered for the barbering aspect.

Keke Mathis, owner of KeKe's retail shop at 711 East 4th Street, Bethlehem, explained and showed wigs and samples of some items from her establishment.

The history of Madam C. J. See **WALKER** on Page A2

## Polk Twp. fire that claimed 5 ruled accidental

**Rosemarie LaBarre had worked as a teacher of Family Consumer Sciences at East Hills MS**

BY MARTA GOUGER  
 mgougertn@online.com

A state police fire marshal has ruled that the fatal fire in Polk Township on Feb. 10 was accidental.

Five people were killed in the fire that broke out at 11:21 p.m. at the home on 5107 Brook Road. State police at Hazleton said it was "fireplace related."

Fire crews from Polk Township, West End Fire Company and Penn Forest

Fire Company responded with Pennsylvania State Police, Lehigh, and the Troop N fire marshal and forensic services units.

Rosemarie A. LaBarre, 53, and her four grandchildren between the ages of 2 to 7 were located within the residence, but couldn't be revived.

Children lost were Kathryn Grace, 7; Kaleb Gabriel, 5; Kristian Giancarlo, 4; and Kasper, 2, all children

of Carlos and Markie Ribera, who were not home when the fire broke out.

The Riberas posted a video on Facebook on Sunday. The snow that day forced services to be canceled at their church, House on the Rock Family Church in Wind Gap, where Markie serves as children's pastor.

In the video, Markie thanked everyone for their



LaBarre

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Considering the 15 year old Russian figure skater who was accused of taking prohibited medication, do you think age 15 is too young for Olympic competition? Should there be a minimum age set for Olympic competitors?



"I think younger athletes should compete, but it has to be their decision, and better consideration should be made for their health and welfare."

**Jennifer Nagle Macungie**



"I think children under 18 should not be under that much pressure. I couldn't imagine being 15 years old and asked to compete at such a high level and pressure."

**Raya Abdelaal Nazareth**



**Kiki Mathis**, owner of Kiki's Beauty Supply in Bethlehem, explains and shows wigs and samples of some items from her establishment.



"Yes, too much emotional stress is put on athletes, teenagers shouldn't have to deal with that kind of thing."

**Jess Banks Easton**



"Yes, because when you are older, you have different strength, so there should be a certain (minimum) age."

**Akira Roman Bethlehem**

**BASD**

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approach no longer seems applicable since vaccinations are rising and COVID cases are dropping. Under the advisement of community partners, the district is considering more directly following current federal rules, which make masking optional, permitted, or required depending on personal vaccination and circumstances.

City Health Director Kristen Wenrich was present and told the board, "Its time for a common sense approach to COVID. Frequent hand washing, staying home when you feel ill and getting vaccinated all help."

Roy said the COVID numbers have dropped to 9 per day across all BASD schools. Conversations with other community partners appear to look favorably upon this change. Board members will have the chance to vote on this at the next regular board meeting scheduled for Feb. 28, possibly making the change effective March 1.

**REPORTERS NEEDED**

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

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Also available:  
Bethlehem Zoning Board-Fourth Wednesday  
Bethlehem Planning Board-Second Thursday

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Walker, who instituted the hair care for African American hair, was read in part by M. Rayah Levy.

Madam C. J. Walker was born in 1867 and lived a devastatingly

difficult life in the emerging Jim Crow South after the end of reconstruction in the late 19 century. But she resolved early in life to help herself and black people by being generous any way she could with what little she had, no matter the circum-

stances. Ultimately, Walker became known as "the first self-made female millionaire" in the United States. She worked to give to black people - particularly black women - some of what Jim Crow had taken away from them.

Prayer was offered by

Deacon Donald Elliott and SBVHS President Maureen Dresen greeted attendees. Refreshments were provided by Barbara Traupman and Ruth Ann Kaspern.

Contributed article

**FIRE**

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love and asked people to join in with worshipping God in song. The Riberas and some members of the church chose a medley of songs the children liked.

Carlos said, "It makes no sense but these songs were the

kids' favorites." Markie said, "We're worshipping God anyway. All we can do is fight back. The enemy's not winning this time."

A memorial service set for all five family members was held at House on the Rock Family Church.

LaBarre had worked as a teacher of Family Consumer Sciences

at East Hills Middle School in Bethlehem.

She was the wife of the late Clark F. LaBarre, who preceded her in death on Nov. 12, 2021.

Kathryn, second grade, and Kaleb, kindergarten, were registered at Pleasant Valley School District and were home-schooled.

Kristian was in pre-

school at Seeds of Faith.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the family C/O Markie Ribera 1336 Jacobsburg Road, Wind Gap, PA 18091.

A GoFundMe account for funeral expenses and to help the Riberas has raised \$123,792 of \$200,000 goal.

**CHAIN**

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remember that not every Girl Scout council is affected in the same way. Cookie program seasons, consumer preferences and production schedules all factor into the mix.

GSHPA was informed by their baker, Little Brownie Bakers, earlier this year that they were experiencing production delays that may impact the availability of some types of cookies. Specifically, they have reduced S'mores and Adventurefuls cookies from the online order system due to demand. To learn more

about digital orders from Girl Scouts you can visit our GSHPA site. In-person cookie booth sales will begin in March.

Girl Scouts can and will rise to meet any challenge. They don't have to look that far back into the past to see how girls have proved time and again their resiliency when faced with adversity and challenges.

Let us also look beyond the cookie program, because the council - our volunteers, our members and our staff - never stopped providing key programming, interpersonal connections and outdoor experiences when most in-person con-

tact was limited during the pandemic. Those connections provided countless positive outcomes for the girls during a very unsettling time.

Fast forward to present day and the girls are only just getting started with their 2022 cookie goals, which are already exceeding last year.

They are doing everything possible to ensure every Girl Scout can bring their beloved cookies to their customers. Supporting entrepreneurship efforts can be as easy as picking up some of your old favorites or trying something new this year. All proceeds from cookie sales remain

local, with troops or the council, and girls will need community support and patience as they work to conquer this next challenge to their cookie businesses. Thank you for supporting the youngest entrepreneurs on their pandemic business journey!

It's important to note that they are grateful to have a strong and resilient GSHPA community. Your support allows the Girl Scouts to enjoy future success.

Janet Donovan is the president and CEO of Girl Scouts in the Heart of Pennsylvania, which represents 30 counties in central and north-east Pennsylvania.

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**NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**

**COUNTY PRISON UPDATE:** The Director of Corrections reports that, as of Feb. 15 there were no cases of COVID-19 among inmates and employees at Northampton County Prison.

Since the start of the pandemic, 434 inmates have tested positive; all have finished their quarantine periods or are no longer at NCP.

NCP has held 32 vaccination clinics and vaccinated 561 inmates. The clinic also offers booster shots. Currently, 284 inmates in the facility are fully vaccinated and 78 inmates have received boosters. Shots for inmates and staff are administered by Prime-Care Medical. The vaccinations are not compulsory and are only provided to those who request them.

There are currently 568 inmates in residence at NCP. Thirty-nine inmates have been granted extended furloughs.

**CORONER'S REPORT:** Between Jan. 1 and Feb. 15, the Northampton County Coroner recorded 100 COVID-19 related deaths in Northampton County (90 residents/10 non-residents).

"Although caseloads are decreasing, the pandemic isn't over yet," says County Executive Lamont McClure. "I encourage everyone to do what they can to prevent the spread of the virus. Get vaccinated, boosted and wear a facemask when out in public."

**AROUND TOWN**

Following the directives established by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to limit public gatherings, several of the following meetings/activities might be changed, canceled, streamed or online. Masks may be required. Check websites and social media as available.

**Community news**

**IRISH HERITAGE EVENT:** ArtsQuest presents Sláinte, a celebration of Irish heritage Thursday, March 17, through 20. This new four-day experience is being produced in partnership with Bethlehem's Donegal Square/McCarthy's Red Stag Pub. The four-day festival will feature traditional whiskey and Guinness tastings, along with authentic Irish fare and a Sunday Irish breakfast. Admission to these events can be purchased now at steelstacks.org, with select discounted rates and presales for ArtsQuest members and Circle donors.

**BETHLEHEM ROTUNDA EXHIBIT:** "A Unique Reality," oil and watercolor paintings by Elena Shackleton, Feb. 16 to March 29. Opening reception: 2 to 4 p.m. Feb. 27. The L.V. artist is president of The Lehigh Art Alliance and is active in mentoring artists of all ages and levels. The exhibition is sponsored by the Bethlehem Fine Arts Commission. Visit [www.bfac-lv.com](http://www.bfac-lv.com). Face masks must be worn and all CDC Covid regulations will be enforced. City Rotunda Gallery, 10 E. Church St. Open 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays; closed weekends and holidays.

**LEHIGH VALLEY PASSPORT TO HISTORY:** Monthly virtual history series, 6:30 to 7 p.m. Third Tuesday of the month through Dec. 20. March 15: Women's History. Visit [www.facebook.com/LVPassporttoHistory/](http://www.facebook.com/LVPassporttoHistory/). Episodes are posted on the Lehigh Valley Passport to History and Lehigh Valley With Love websites. Visit [lvhistory.org](http://lvhistory.org)

**THE CANCER SUPPORT COMMUNITY** of the Greater Lehigh Valley launched on Jan. 31 a bi-monthly Image Recovery Program, sponsored by the Ryan Family Foundation. The program is designed to help people improve their body image and sense of self during and after cancer therapy. Topics: one-on-one support in nutrition; fitness; post-surgical garment services; psychosocial support; and education focused on oral hygiene, skin care, hair care, holistic practices and other areas.

**NMIH EXHIBIT:** The Works of a Mechanical Genius: legacy of Bethlehem's General Superintendent and Chief Engineer John Fritz. The innovative ironmaster, founder of the American Steel Industry, built and oversaw operations at the Bethlehem Iron Company from 1860-1893. Through October. National Museum of Industrial History, 602 E. Second St. Visit <http://nmi.org/virtualmuseum>; call 610-694-6644 for schedules.

Lehigh & New England Railroad motor car display through the end of March at the National Museum of Industrial History, 602 E. Second St. NMIH plans to make the model 40B speeder car operational. Contributions to help fund the preservation of the car may be made via a donation box at the exhibit in the museum or by contacting the museum.

**HEALTH SCREENINGS:** Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center and partner Lehigh Valley Health Network: sexual health screenings for HIV and Hepatitis C; Allentown Health Bureau: screenings for syphilis, gonorrhea and chlamydia. First and third Tuesday of the month, 4 to 6 p.m. Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center, 522 W. Maple St., Allentown. Call for appointment: 610-437-7760

**PHILLY GARDEN SHOW:** The Philly Home + Garden Show, Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, Oaks, Feb. 25 through 27. Innovative products, tips, remodeling, home improvements, decor and outdoor spaces, home and garden experts. Visit <https://philly-homeandgarden.com>

**ZINZENDORF IN AMERICA:** Free exhibit. Moravian Archives, Bethlehem. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays (some exceptions for holidays, etc.) 41 W. Locust St. Information: 610 866-3255

**BETHLEHEM'S NAACP and MRS. ESTHER M. LEE:** Black History Month exhibit to celebrate Bethlehem's NAACP president Mrs. Lee. Through Feb. 28. Talk and presentation by archivist M. Rayah Levy. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Feb. 25. Kemerer Museum of Decorative Arts, 427 N. New St. Donations benefit Historic Bethlehem Museums & Sites and the Esther M. Lee African American Heritage Center. Visit <https://historicbethlehem.org/design-after-dark>

**CELTIC CULTURAL ALLIANCE 12th ON THE 12th** invites organizations, teams and businesses to participate in the 12th annual Parade of Shamrocks, 1 p.m. March 12, downtown Bethlehem. Registrations accepted through Feb. 28; visit [www.celticfest.org](http://www.celticfest.org) to sign up. Parade begins at Fifth Avenue and W. Broad Street, proceeds east on Broad Street, turns right on to Main Street and heads south to the area under the Hill-to-Hill Bridge. Parade will be shown live on Astound Broadband and will be available on video on demand. Visit [info@celticfest.org](mailto:info@celticfest.org) for information and to register.

**Wednesday, February 23**

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

**Adult Bible study,** 11 a.m. Women's Ministries, ages 14 and older. 1 p.m. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for details.

**Thursday, February 24**

**Lehigh Valley Active Life:** Lehigh Valley Pops Orchestra rehearsals with director George Fennell. 9 to 10:30 a.m. For persons who know how to play an instrument. The orchestra performs at places throughout the Lehigh Valley. 1633 W. Elm St. Allentown. Call 610-437-3700 for information or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

**Chair Exercises:** 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., Seniors 50 and up. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for details.

**Northampton County Historical & Genealogical Society** exhibit opening, Another American's Autobiography: Petrucci Family Foundation's Collection of African American Art selections. Through July 10. Sigal Museum, 342 Northampton St., Easton. Visit <https://lvhistory.org/events/> for hours and dates.

**Friday, February 25**

**Mrs. Esther M. Lee:** A Pillar in the Branch of Bethlehem's NAACP, presentation by archivist M. Rayah Levy. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Black History Month exhibit celebrates Mrs. Lee, president of Bethlehem's NAACP. Kemerer Museum of Decorative Arts, 427 N. New St. Visit <https://historicbethlehem.org/design-after-dark/> for more information.

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**CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH**



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The women of the 6888th not only served, they had to fight for their right to serve. The unit's commander, Major Charity Adams, became the first black woman to hold a commission in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps.

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A lasting legacy: The 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion

BY JOSEPH REAGAN  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

During the first World War Ralph Lindsey, my great-grandfather, kept a journal of his service on the front. He wrote about the front, his travels, his wounds, but the thing that came up most often – the mail. Fast-forward 100 years. Even in the digital age there is something uniquely personal about a written letter – it creates a connection that digital communications simply cannot match. Any-

one who has served in the military knows – no mail equals low morale.

In early 1945, as the Battle of the Bulge concluded, Army officials reported that a lack of mail was hurting morale. Warehouses were filled with millions of pieces of mail destined for the seven million Americans serving in the European Theatre. The task of getting that mail to its intended recipients fell on the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion.

Except for a few

smaller units of nurses, the "Six Triple Eight" was the only, all-black unit from the Women's Army Corps to serve overseas during WWII. In response to the attack on Pearl Harbor, our entire nation was mobilized to support the war efforts. While the war largely united Americans in a common purpose, the military remained segregated with the ability to serve being restricted based on race and gender. The women of the 6888th not only served, they had to fight

for their right to serve. The unit's commander, Major Charity Adams, became the first black woman to hold a commission in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps.

The Six Triple Eight confronted warehouses stacked to the ceiling with letters and packages. These buildings were unheated and dimly lit; the windows blacked out to prevent light showing during nighttime air raids. Rats sought out packages of spoiled cakes and cookies. As it was a cold winter, the women wore long johns and extra layers of clothing under their coats while working in these warehouses.

The unit members were organized into three separate shifts daily, so work continued around the clock, seven days a week. They tracked individual service members by maintaining about seven million locator cards including serial numbers to distinguish different individuals with the same name.

They dealt with "undeliverable" mail which was sent to their location for redirection. They investigated insufficiently addressed mail for clues to determine the intended recipient, and they handled the sad duty of returning mail addressed to service members who had died.

As the war concluded, the legacy of the 6888th was already being formed. Three members of the 6888th are buried at Colleville-Sur-Mer Normandy American Cemetery (there are only four women buried there). Like so many of the greatest generation, the women of the 6888th returned from the war determined to make up for lost time.

While some remained in the military, others used the GI Bill to further their education and create new opportunities for themselves. They became teachers, nurses and businesswomen. One of the most important aspects of their legacy was their contributions to civil rights.

The accomplishments of the 6888th in Europe contributed to a study regarding the contributions of women to the war efforts which concluded: "[T]he national security program is the joint responsibility of all Americans irrespective of color or sex" and "the continued use of colored, along with white, female

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**Saturday, February 26**

**Cops 'n Kids Reading Room.** Story: Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathman. City of Bethlehem police officer Isaiah Burton and Bean (his German Shorthair Pointer dog). 10 a.m. to noon. Age five and up. Masks are mandatory. Must pre-register; visit [lv-cops-n-kids@att.net](mailto:lv-cops-n-kids@att.net) for more information.

**Sunday, February 27**

**Opening reception: "A Unique Reality":** 2 to 4 p.m. Feb. 27. Oil and watercolor paintings by Elena Shackleton, Feb. 16 to March 29. Visit [www.bfac-lv.com](http://www.bfac-lv.com). Face masks must be worn and all CDC Covid regulations will be enforced. City Rotunda Gallery, 10 E. Church St. Open 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays; closed weekends and holidays.

**Tuesday, March 1**

**Lehigh Valley Active Life:** Good Vibrations Chorus led by Nancy Shumaker. All singers welcome. 9:30 to 11 a.m. 1633 W. Elm St. Allentown. Call 610-437-3700 for information or visit <https://lvactivelife.org/>

**Bridge players,** 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Salvation Army, 521 Pembroke Road. Call 610-867-4681 for details.

**Civil War Roundtable,** Eastern Pennsylvania, Lehigh Brigade. "Myths and Meanings of the Civil War" presented by Randall Miller. 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Center 100 Hotel, (formerly the Holiday Inn), 7735 Adrianne Drive, Breinigsville. Call 610-253-4549, email [Duffysocwk@aol.com](mailto:Duffysocwk@aol.com) or visit [www.cwrteasternpa.org](http://www.cwrteasternpa.org). For zoom meetings, information and registration, visit [www.cwrteasternpa.org/calendar-1](http://www.cwrteasternpa.org/calendar-1)

**Wednesday, March 2**

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

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**Wednesday, February 23**

**Bethlehem Parking Authority,** 4 p.m. 85 W. North St.  
**Northampton Co. Industrial Development Authority meeting,** 4 p.m., Northampton Co. Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton.  
**Bethlehem City Zoning Hearing Board,** 6 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St. Must wear a mask. Livestream (not interactive) viewing: [www.youtube.com/channel/UC4HYH4C6mVbfhRXhWYXajw](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4HYH4C6mVbfhRXhWYXajw)  
**Lehigh Co. Commissioners,** 7:30 p.m. Public hearing room, Gov't. Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.

**Thursday, February 24**

**Bethlehem City Redevelopment Authority,** 5 p.m. City Hall, 10 E. Church St.  
**Hanover Twp. (NorCo) Zoning Board** ( as needed), 7 p.m. Municipal building, 3630 Jacksonville Road.

**Monday, February 28**

**Bethlehem Twp. Commissioners,** 7 p.m. 4225 Easton Ave.  
**BASD Regular Board,** 7 p.m. East Hills MS, auditorium. Snow date: March 1. The meetings will be live-streamed for public viewing on the District's YouTube channel. A member of the public must appear in person if they wish to address the School Board during the public comment portion of these meetings.  
**CANCELED: HCC,** 6 p.m. City hall, 10 E. Church St.

**Wednesday, March 1**

**Snow date, BASD Regular Board,** 7 p.m. East Hills MS, auditorium.

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[gtaylor@tnonline.com](mailto:gtaylor@tnonline.com).



The monument honoring the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion is in the Buffalo Soldier Military Park at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., along with other monuments honoring African-American individuals and units. It consists of a 25-inch bronze bust of the unit's Commanding Officer, LTC Charity Adams (Earley), eight black granite panels highlighting the unit's lineage, historical information, key unit pictures, one panel for the Corporate Donors who donate at least \$6,688.88, and on the back panel is an alphabetical list, by states, of 800-plus members, of the original list of 855 assigned during WWII. Three were killed in an automobile accident.

**688TH**

Continued from page A3 military personnel is required in such strength as is proportionately appropriate to the relative

population distribution between colored and white races." This is not a story about the mail. This is a story about 855 black women, who found a

way to serve when the nation needed them most. In 2019 a bi-partisan effort was started to award the Congressional Gold Medal to the 6888th. As of the writing



**Violet M. (Krantiz) Kies**

Steel secretary

Violet M. (Krantiz) Kies, 86, of Bethlehem, died Feb. 4, 2022, in the care of Phoebe, Allentown. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Joseph and Mary (Donchez) Krantiz.

She was a secretary for Bethlehem Steel and later was a title clerk for Dick Milhem before she retired.

She is survived by a daughter, Terri Savacool and husband Michael of Macungie; a son, Dennis and his wife Joan of Danielsville; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by a daughter, Linda Grady; a brother, Joseph Krantiz; and a sister, Vilma Roman.

Contributions may be made to a charity of one's choice.

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

**Zoltan L. Poczak**

worked for Western Electric



Zoltan L. Poczak, 95, of Bethlehem, died peacefully Feb. 14, 2022. Born in Freemansburg, he was the son of the late Louis and Theresa (Andreyo) Poczak. He was the husband of Mary Ann E. (Hosszu) Poczak for 68 years.

He was in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

He was a graduate of Temple University.

While in college, he owned his own business, Poczak TV and Radio Repair, in Philadelphia. He was later employed by Western Electric for most of his career until he retired.

He was a member of the MORA Club.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Louis and wife Tara of Bethlehem; and two grandchildren, Allison and Christopher.

He was predeceased by 11 siblings, Louis, Mary, Goldie, Alex, William, Russell, Allen, Danas, Theresa, a brother, and Rudolph.

Contributions may be made to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 3219 Santee Rd, Bethlehem, Pa. 18020

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**Margaret Mary Firestone**

60 plus years crafter



Margaret Mary Firestone, 81, of Ellenton, Fla. and formerly of Bethlehem, died peacefully and pain-free Feb. 14, 2022. She was the wife of the late Robert B. Firestone.

She was a 1958 graduate of Liberty HS.

She was a professional crafter for 60-plus years.

She is survived by her companion, Jim Munson; a son, William Firestone; a step-daughter, Michaela Munson; a brother, Michael Sauers; a grandson, Jake Firestone; nieces; and nephews.

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

**Home fire safety during the winter**

Heating equipment is the second leading cause of home fires.

A 2020 Red Cross survey showed more than half of residents have used a space heater; which is involved in most fatal home heating fires.

If using a space heater, provide at least three feet of space around all heating equipment and never leave space heat-

ers unattended.

Follow these additional tips:

- If a space heater is necessary, place it on a level, hard and nonflammable surface, such as a ceramic tile floor. Do not place it on rugs and carpets or near bedding and drapes; keep away children and pets.
- Plug space heater power cords directly into outlets — never an

extension cord. Turn the heater off every time upon leaving the room or when going to sleep.

- Never use a cooking range or oven to heat a home.
- Never leave a fire burning in the fireplace unattended. Make sure any embers in the fireplace are extinguished before going to bed or leaving home. Use a glass or metal fire

screen to keep embers in the fireplace.

- Have furnaces, chimneys, fireplaces, wood and coal stoves inspected annually by a professional and cleaned if necessary.
- Test smoke alarms monthly and practice a home fire escape plan until everyone can escape in less than two minutes.

*Contributed article*



The accomplishments of the 6888th in Europe contributed to a study regarding the contributions of women to the war efforts which concluded: "[T]he national security program is the joint responsibility of all Americans irrespective of color or sex" and "the continued use of colored, along with white, female military personnel is required in such strength as is proportionately appropriate to the relative population distribution between colored and white races."

of this article that bill has passed the Senate and is awaiting a vote in the U.S. House of representatives.

Joseph Reagan is the director of military and veterans outreach for Wreaths Across America. He has almost 20

years' experience working with leaders within government, non-profit, and Fortune 500 companies to develop sustainable strategies supporting National Security and Veterans Health. He served eight years on active duty as an offi-

cer in the U.S. Army including two tours to Afghanistan with the 10th Mountain Division. He is a graduate of Norwich University, the oldest private military college in the country.

**W. Richard Schnurman**

of Bethlehem



W. Richard Schnurman, 91, of Bethlehem, died Feb. 5, 2022, at ProMedica. Born in Allentown, he was a son of the late William P. and Lucille (Laros) Schnurman. He was the husband of the late Eilane Schnurman for 69 years.

He was in the Army and served during the Korean War.

He was a member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Allentown.

He was a national level member of the American Legion.

He is survived by two sons, James and Stuart; a daughter, Jill Haggerty; and four grandchildren, Kerri Cornell, Maddison Haggerty, Anna Schnurman and Spencer Schnurman.

Contributions may be made to St. Andrew's Church, Allentown; or to the Center for Animal Health and Welfare, 1165 Island Park Road, Easton, Pa. 18042.

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

**Eilane Schnurman**

St. Andrew's Church member

Eilane Schnurman, 90, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 16, 2022, in her home. Born in Chicago, she was a daughter of the late Margaret (Russel) and James Reynolds. She was the wife of W. Richard Schnurman for 69 years; he died Feb. 16, 2022, following her death.

She was a member of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Allentown.

She is survived by two sons, James and Stuart; a daughter, Jill Haggerty; and four grandchildren, Kerri Cornell, Maddison Haggerty, Anna Schnurman and Spencer Schnurman.

Contributions may be made to St. Andrew's Church, Allentown; or to the Center for Animal Health and Welfare, 1165 Island Park Road, Easton, Pa. 18042.

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**Harry R. Lamb**

welder at Bethlehem Steel



Harry R. Lamb, 91, of Bethlehem, died Feb. 17, 2022. He was a son of the late Foster and Sadie (Ritter) Lamb. He was the husband of Frances (Holetz) Lamb for 72 years.

He was a member of the U.S. Naval Reserves.

He was a welder for Bethlehem Steel for 30 years.

He was a member of the Wanderers and other Bethlehem social clubs. He was a founding member of the Lehigh South Side Boosters.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a son, Michael and his wife Marian; a daughter, Fran; three grandchildren, Kim, Cory and Sean Lamb; and two great-grandchildren, Jillian and Kendra.

He was predeceased by two brothers, Leo and James Lamb; and two sisters, Margaret and Jean Lamb.

Contributions may be made to St. Luke's Hospice House, 240 Union Station Plaza, Bethlehem, Pa. 18015.

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



**Alvernia University**

Four local residents were named to Alvernia University's Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester. The students are, from the Bethlehem area: Katelyn McKittrick, Robin Chontos and Naftali Sarara; and, from Freemansburg, Kaitlyn Keller. To be eligible for the Dean's List, students must carry a semester GPA of 3.5 or better and take a minimum of 12 credits.

**Cazenovia College**

Jack Lees, of Bethlehem, was named to the Cazenovia College Dean's List for the Fall 2021 semester. To be named to the Dean's List, he earned a 3.5 or better grade point average.

**Centenary University**

Bethlehem area resident Amanda Kujawathe has been named to the Centenary University Dean's List for the Fall 2021 semester. To achieve this honor, full-time students must achieve a semester grade point average of 3.8 or above and complete a minimum of 12 semester credits.

**Champlain College**

Patrick Persin, of Bethlehem, has been named to the Champlain College Dean's List for the Fall 2021 semester. Students on the Dean's List have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or higher during the semester.

**The Citadel**

Citadel Cadet Matthew Horvath, of Bethlehem, was awarded the Citadel's gold star recognition for earning a 3.7 grade point or higher average during the fall 2021 semester. He was placed on The Citadel's dean's list.

**DeSales University**

Several area DeSales students were included on the Fall 2021 Dean's List. To qualify, a student must have a minimum 3.50 GPA on no fewer than 12 credit hours. The students are Bradley McAllister, Gregory Seltzer, Evans Asiago, Carmen Azar, Nathaniel Estock, Magdalene Larrabee, Noadia Michel, Evan Ritter, Cailey Sanchez, Fernando Ramirez, Loes Reyes-Arias, Gabriela Roman, Kelse Weston, Jamie Dickey, Morgan Dillman, Shea Elliott, Austin Knely, Abigail Kuhne, Christine Quiba, Anjali Khellawan, Molly Buehler, Robert Fiedler, Michelle Dologite, Natalia Leiria, Jordan Judd, Nicole Somers, Faith Chajnacki, Austin Tran, Jordyn Holjes, Jareb Keyock, Angel Arroyodiaz, Josephine Yozzi, Taylor Baggest, Paige Busch, Lorenzo Alderiso Amelia Grube, Alexa Fancera, Erica Heaney and Theresa Stawicki of Bethlehem and Ada DeJesus-Torres of Freemansburg.

**The College of New Jersey**

Two Bethlehem area residents, Braden Drake and Katrine Olsen, earned placement on the Dean's List at The College of New Jersey for the fall 2021 semester. Students must carry 12 or more credits that semester and earn a 3.5 (or above) grade point average to be included.

**College of William & Mary**

Local residents Nicko Boylan, Emma Hale, Val Klaine, Katie Lee and Anthony Rechchia were named to the College of William & Mary's fall 2021 semester Dean's List. To be named, the students had to be full-time degree seeking undergraduate students taking at least 12 credit hours and earning a 3.6 Quality Point Average during the semester.

**Hood College**

Abby Burnette, of Bethlehem, was named to the Hood College Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester. The Dean's List recognizes degree-seeking students who completed at least six semester hours of Hood work with at least a 3.5 semester GPA.

**Lehigh University**

Several local residents were listed on the Lehigh University Dean's List in 2021 for earning a scholastic average of 3.6 or better while carrying at least 12 hours of regularly graded courses. They are Uditia Agarwal, Dominic Ammirato, Vaibhav Anand, Rohit Anandani, Wajid Ashraf, Naod Tewodros Asregdew, Bonor Ayambem, Michelina Beaumont, Alua Bekbosynova, Eric Brown, Mason Burger, Quinnlyn Burger, Liam Burke, Rhys Busillo, Kristina Callan, Sarah Carman, Sophie Champ, Qingxuan Chen, Justin Choi, Mary Grace Collins, Zachary Coriarty, Donald Cory, Kiera Croland, Kai Davison, Madison DeMarchis, Tucker Eighmy, Maya Elias, Xiang Fan, Melissa Fedorka, Marc Ferdinandusse, Emma Ference, Zenus Francis, Brandon Freidl, Kevin Fuentes, Katie Goettle, Shujin Gong, Winter Goodman, Isabela Guet-Cruza, Grace Gundrum, Manyi Guo, Weihang Guo, Monisha Hanagal, Kaya Harper, Grant Hershman, Eliza Higgins, Vivi Hoang, Lukas Ho, Rong Huang, Teng Huang, Brooke Hunstein, Grace Ingabire Kuzwa, Zheng Jiang, Alibek Kaliyev, Keith Kreschollek, Camryn La Selva, Daniel Lader, Marcos Leal Wittkowsky, Zewei Lei, Jie Lin, Daolong Liu, Xinhao Liu, Bryan Lu, Dan Luo, Diep Luong, Katherine Luther, Nicholas Major, Ariana Malik, Matthew Marker, Ivery Marquez, Julia Marx, Nicholas Masri, Max McFadden, Katherine McNulty, Kevin McNulty, Olivia Memeger, Haley Miller, Luca Milletti, Daniel Moran, Meghan Murphy, Elena Myalo, Duy Nguyen, Khue Nguyen, Elif Ozturk, JiSoo Park, Courtney Parry, Barbara Perevalov, Valentine Perevalov, Mary Pintor, Hajer Sabih, Carina Salerno, Julian Savage, Zoe Shoemaker, Bery Pan Situ, Yuxuan Song, Jeremy Strungis, Adrian Thomas Suarez, Neel Surya, Bradley Susskind, Xinhao Tang, Maham Tanveer, Dariia Tyshchenko, Cameron Ulm, Helena Volpe, Samuel Ward, Xin Xu, Zhangzhichun Xu, Ziyi Xuan, Shurong Yang, Muen Ye, Nada Younies, Jiaeng Zheng, Brian Zhu, Yushun Zou and Norman Zvenyika, all of the Bethlehem area; and Julianna Caskie of Fountain Hill.

**Lebanon Valley**

Lauren Bunke, of Bethlehem and a member of the Lebanon Valley College women's cross country team, was named to the Middle Atlantic Conference's Fall Academic Honor Roll. The student-athlete competed in a varsity-level sport and registered a term/semester GPA of 3.20 (on a 4.00 scale) or higher.

**Moravian University**

Moravian University named several area residents to the Dean's Honor List for the fall 2021 semester. Undergraduate students who carry three or more completed/graded (letter grade) course units in a Fall or Spring term and earn a GPA for the term of 3.50 or higher are placed on the Dean's Honor List. The students from the Bethlehem area are: Saleh Abdussalam, Ashley Adamson, Gianna Arias, Bianca Baab, Jaclyn Baker, Zachery Bingaman, Liliana Brockway, Emily Burke, Rachel Byrne, Connor Cavey, Alexis Chamberlain, Seth Coleman, Chloe Conahan, Cordell Corlette, Kayla Corrado, Samantha DeAngelis, Cielo Disla, Melissa Do, Andie Dwyer, Isabelle Endress, Andrew Epsaro, Martina Fedorowicz, Zuri Foell, Breanna Frankenfield, Jayden Fraser, Riley Gallagher, Alexander Gerra, Eric Gorski, Hannah Graybeal, Caleb Gunkle, Lauren Haddad, Juliana Haddad, Danielle Hanson, Jordan Hawk, Joel Hendricks, Frances Hendricks, Ashley Hercik, Mariah Hernandez, John Herron-Buttillo, Kylee Hudson, Alexander Jacobson, Analisa Jeffries, Maya Johnston, Elizabeth Jones, Chris Kalvin, Madeline Kane, Siobhan Koons, John Lapatchak Jr, Kianna Lopez, Julia Luisser, Jessica Mann, Samuel Mass, Quinn Matthew, Karlene McCrone, James Mecca, Helen Meckstroth, Albaraa Mesawi, Emily Miles, Macy Miller, Matteo Montero, Sabrina Moody, Aliyah Najera, Vivian Okigbo, Johanna Pearson, Zachary Phillips, Vera Pinho, Emily Prensdeville, Robert Rabinovich, Gabrielle Rader, Luana Rebello, Kayla Ressler, Soukaina Rezzqui, Nicholas Rinker, Colby Robertson, Abby Rolly, Nicole Rommens, Kristen Rommens, Olivia Ronca, Aivlys Roque-Alicea, Juliana Rosario, Hannah Ryan, Benjamin Sanchez, Preet Sandhu, Riley Scholl, Maja Sejdic, Emily Silberman, Grace Siffani, Alec Smith, Hailey Snisky, Heyllis Solano, Hunter Steidinger, Justin Szaro, Emily Szy, Safa Turkdonmez, Sara Turkdonmez, Jenele

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PRESS PHOTOS BY TAMI QUIGLEY

Displaying some of the gowns for the YWCA Bethlehem's "Pop-Up Prom Shop" at The Storage Center on 512 near Bath are, from left, Denise Pierson-Balik, development director; Jasmeen Welsler, youth coordinator; and Mahboobeh Shekari, director of finance and administration.

## Ready to be worn to the prom

### YWCA Pop-Up Gown Shop opens March 5

BY TAMI QUIGLEY

Special to the Bethlehem Press

As the calendar flips to March, thoughts of spring pop up in many minds. Spring and prom season go hand-in-hand, so it's the perfect time for the 15th annual "Pop-Up Prom Shop" hosted by YWCA Bethlehem Saturday, March 5, from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the ArtsQuest Center at SteelStacks, South Bethlehem.

The Pop-Up Prom Shop will feature a stunning inventory of more than 1,500 new dresses for just \$20 each. High school juniors and seniors can each select up to two dresses. Purses and jewelry are also available at no additional cost. Teens must present a high school I.D. and shoppers may bring one adult guest.

Denise Pierson-Balik, YWCA development director, highlighted the significance of the event as prom is extremely expensive.

"It costs \$200-\$500 to furnish a girl for prom," she said.

"The parents are so thankful, especially the lower income families," said Mahboobeh Shekari, YWCA director of finance and administration.

Pierson-Balik added that vouchers for free dresses are given to guidance counselors and school contacts for girls who cannot afford one. Students at Valley Youth House receive dresses for free.

Every year, teens from over 30 high schools from the Lehigh Valley and beyond shop the Pop-Up Shop, saving Lehigh Valley families an estimated \$50,000 in prom-related expenses. YWCA Bethlehem staff anticipates helping approximately 200 teens find their perfect dress in 2022. Although any junior or senior may attend the Pop-Up Prom Shop, the event has special importance for girls who might otherwise skip their prom due to the expense.

"We have such a wide reach of 30 to 40 high schools in a huge geographical area," Pierson-Balik said. "Histor-



A sampling of the stunning inventory of more than 1,500 new dresses that will be available for just \$20 each. The YWCA has two storage units and three racks of dresses in its office, all

ically, the reach of the shop has been wide and covered all of Lehigh Valley and beyond, from Warren to Berks counties and from Bucks to Monroe counties."

Pierson-Balik said shoppers will have such an ample amount of new dresses from which to choose thanks to large donations from Macy's and several local bridal shops in 2020 and 2021.

Pierson-Balik said the Pop-Up Prom Shop dates back to 2008, and was held at hotels in the Bethlehem area for the first few years. In 2010, it moved to the State Theatre, Easton, where it was held every year until 2019. The event took place at ArtsQuest in 2019 and 2020.

"During these years, the event served hundreds of students, ranging from 125-200 shoppers per year and saving Lehigh Valley families hundreds of thousands of dollars in prom expenses," Pierson-Balik said.

One of those students was Jasmeen Welsler, a youth coordinator, who purchased her prom dress at the Pop-Up Shop

at the State Theatre in 2014 while a student at Wilson Area HS. "It's cool to see it from this side now - it's super cool," Welsler said.

In 2021, the event shifted due to COVID concerns. Instead of a large one-day event with hundreds of shoppers, it was held by appointment only at the YWCA Bethlehem headquarters in Hanover Township.

"Limiting shoppers to two at a time during evening hours, the YWCA Bethlehem was still able to provide 94 teens with new dresses at a nominal cost," Pierson-Balik said. "We are very excited to return to ArtsQuest this year and anticipate serving over 200 students from 30 to 40 different high schools."

Volunteer support is critical to the Pop-Up Shop. Twenty volunteers assist with set-up the night before the event, and 30 volunteers help during the event. The Pop-Up Prom Shop is truly a community event, made possible by numerous partners. Sponsors include ArtsQuest, As-

ound Broadband and Wind Creek Bethlehem. Adam Meyers Moving and Storage provides in-kind transportation services, Wegmans generously donates cosmetics for goodie bags and Walgreens donates snacks and water for the many volunteers.

Monetary donations are accepted, as the funds allow the YWCA to provide more free vouchers and helps defray the rental cost of storage units and the ArtsQuest space.

Doors open at 9 a.m. for the shop, located in the Blast Furnace Room, which will be set up like a boutique and have pop-up cabanas serving as 14 dressing rooms. A limited number of early bird passes to enter the shop at 8 or 8:30 a.m. are available for purchase on the YWCA website. Shoppers may try on dresses and scope out accessories. On-site seamstresses can make minor adjustments or advise what additional alterations are needed. "Goodie bags" and prizes add to the fun.

Due to the large selection of new dresses, the YWCA is not accepting dress donations at this time, but will accept new or nearly new accessories such as purses, jewelry and shawls/wraps (no shoes please). Prom-related donations for the raffle are also accepted. Suggested items include brand new jewelry, purses or other accessories and gift certificates for prom-related services such as hair, nails, make-up or photography.

The YWCA will implement health and safety protocols in accordance with CDC guidelines to provide the safest experience for teens and their families.

Volunteers are needed Friday, March 4 and Saturday, March 5 to set up, run and break down the event. Anyone interested in volunteering or donating should contact Pierson-Balik at developmentdirector@ywcabethlehem.org or (610) 984-2202, or sign up on the website at www.ywcabethlehem.org.

## Smoke Alarms

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



### FACTS

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



## CENTER FOR ANIMAL HEALTH & WELFARE

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



At only 9 months old, **Agatha** is on the hunt for an active home where she can continue to grow and learn. This super smart shepherd-mix is searching for a family that understands her need for attention, play time, and many, many



Searching for his furr-ever home, **Hail** is hoping to find someone who is willing to help him learn to trust. This handsome 2.5-year-old male was once considered a "feral" but is starting to learn that attention and playtime are well worth being indoors.



PRESS PHOTO BY CHRIS HARING

The Dewey Fire Company's brand-new fire engine, nicknamed 'Darth Vader.'

## Council votes to pause partnership

### HELLERTOWN

BY CHRIS HARING  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

After two weeks of the Hellertown Borough Council scrambling to save its shared community library in the wake of a heated disagreement with its Lower Saucon Township counterpart, the Feb. 7 meeting saw the council take the unprecedented step of officially putting their partnership on hold.

The council voted to "pause Hellertown - Lower Saucon Intergovernmental Committee and Partnership participation by Hellertown Borough until such time when a formal review can be conducted by Borough Administration and presented to Hellertown Council for further action," according to a statement by President Thomas Rieger.

As a result, Rieger also announced that the borough would not be sending its usual representatives to a meeting scheduled two evenings later. The Partnership

was established in 2004 between the two municipalities and the Saucon Valley School District, eventually bringing Northampton County into the fold in 2009.

In other business conducted during the hour-long meeting, council approved the borough's last step in declaring its independence from the Pa. Liquor Control Board's noise regulations. Discussions on the topic stem from the borough's July 2021 adoption of a revised ordinance, drawn in part by police Chief Robert Shupp to better codify acceptable levels of sound.

It was acknowledged at the time that the revision did not apply to bars, restaurants and other businesses that fall under the LCB's jurisdiction. The potential change would allow for more uniformity in enforcement, Shupp said, as he characterized the state's current

rules as "strict and outdated." The borough's application will now be subject to the LCB's review.

Recently-promoted Dewey Fire Company Chief Matthew Simkovic joined the meeting remotely to provide some updates, including on the department's brand-new fire engine, nicknamed 'Darth Vader.'

Simkovic, who recently returned from a trip to the Michigan manufacturer to inspect the vehicle in person, said it would be shipped in late February. Once the truck comes in, it will take a brief detour to a New Jersey facility for the addition of graphics and tool-mounting, he said.

He also noted "lessons learned" from the last few months of calls, highlighting the need for working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors inside dwellings. Simkovic referred to the recent Quakertown

tragedy which killed several members of a family, urging residents who need the devices to reach out to the department.

In a sure sign that borough officials are thinking of warmer weather and better things to come, Rieger announced that the annual Music in the Park series is "almost 100 percent a 'go,'" with four dates tentatively scheduled. He also noted that plans for a food truck festival are progressing, too, through the borough's partnership with the Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce.

The council authorized the advertisement of several open positions at its community pool. With last year's staffing shortages fresh in everybody's mind, Borough Manager Cathy Hartranft emphasized the upcoming need for aquatics and concession/ticket booth managers, as well as lifeguards and other hourly staff.

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Vadelund, Jakelyn Valenzuela, Jorge Velazquez, Casey Weiner, Alesandra Wilson, Magda Yurchishin and Dylan Zukawski.

### Southern New Hampshire University

Jessica Johnson, of Bethlehem, has been named to Southern New Hampshire University's fall 2021 Dean's List. Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.500 to 3.699 are named to the Dean's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits; undergraduate day students must earn 12 credits in the fall or spring semester, and online students must earn 12 credits in either EW1 & EW2, EW3 & EW4, or EW5 & EW6.

### Susquehanna University

Four local residents were named to the Susquehanna University dean's list for the fall 2021 semester. They are, all from Bethlehem, Olivia Brandt, Jessica Sutton, Kristofer Morrow and Celia Lansing. The dean's list recognizes students who earn a grade point average of 3.4 or higher out of a possible 4.0 for the semester.

### Tufts University

Bethlehem area residents Gabby Buell, Frank Cierech, Arnab Gupta and Emma Sonnenblick, were named to the Tufts University dean's list for the Fall 2021 semester. To be named, they earned a semester grade point average of 3.4 or greater.

### Youngstown State University

Khalid Khamis, of Bethlehem, was named to the Youngstown State University Fall Semester 2021. President's List for achieving a perfect 4.0 grade point average. To be eligible for the President's List, honorees must be full-time undergraduate students with a 4.0 GPA for at least 12 semester hours of classes.

The Bethlehem Press dean's list and honors listings are, to the best of our knowledge, correct at the time of printing. We are not responsible for the accuracy or reliability of information submitted by external parties.

## PennDOT program promotes safety

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation invites Pennsylvanians to participate in its Safety Citizens program, which encourages community members

to answer traffic safety questions in original and creative ways.

Traffic safety topics are introduced bimonthly, posing a question for the public to answer.

Participants can answer by submitting an original piece of artwork, such as a short video, a poem or a drawing.

Selected submissions are displayed on Penn-

DOT's statewide social media platforms including Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

The program was recently updated to include new topics for 2022 and the addition of links to coloring pages and kids' activities to encourage young Pennsylvanians to participate.

According to PennDOT data, in 2020 there were 1,129 fatalities on Pennsylvania roadways.

Individuals, classes, families, clubs or other groups are encouraged to participate in this safety initiative as a program challenge.

The first topic for 2022 is Drowsy Driving. Participants are asked to submit a response to the question, "What do you think are the best ways to avoid drowsy driving?" The kids' challenge for the topic is to draw a picture of other ways to travel if someone is too tired to drive. Submissions are due by Feb. 28.

Upcoming topics will include bicycle and motorcycle safety, commercial vehicle safety, seat belt and child passenger safety and impaired driving.

Safety is everyone's responsibility. Being a Safety Citizen is being a leader by inspiring your family, friends and community to practice safe behaviors on the road. Whether traveling by vehicle, motorcycle, bicycle or on foot, everyone has the opportunity to be safer on the road.

Additional information on the program, including the details and guidelines for participation, can be found online at [www.PennDOT.gov/SafetyCitizens](http://www.PennDOT.gov/SafetyCitizens) or questions can be emailed to [SafetyCitizens@pa.gov](mailto:SafetyCitizens@pa.gov).



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The Bethlehem Catholic girls basketball team rallied to knock off Northampton in the EPC finals last week at the PPL Center in Allentown.

# Becahi girls rally for EPC title

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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Looking for a spark, Bethlehem Catholic coach Jose Medina substituted players in and out during the first half of the East Penn Conference girls basketball final and found senior forward Stephanie Donato, who came off the bench to become the game's MVP in Becahi's 37-32 EPC championship final victory over Northampton on Thursday night at the PPL Center in Allentown.

"It feels great. No other way to put it," Donato said. "It was hard at first. Shots weren't hitting in the first half, and then we had our talk in the locker room, and it came out that my teammates had me the whole time, so it wouldn't be possible without them for sure."

After a sluggish offensive start for both teams, Northampton led 12-10 at halftime, but the first-half play wasn't setting off any alarm bells for the Hawks.

"Stay confident in what we do and those shots will come," Medina told his team at halftime. "As coaches, we squeeze them, but they're so resilient to that and they've gotten better over the years at not taking it so personally. [In other words], 'Coach, you're challenging me.' They take great pride in staying ready, and when you stay ready, you don't have to get ready."

The tandem of Donato and sophomore starting guard Cici Hernandez traded shot-for-shot, some threes, and with extreme offensive patience, Becahi took a 26-22 lead into the fourth quarter.

"One thing we stress is movement of the ball to get the defense off balance, so patience is key, and I made that one shot, but the next three passes might give me or



Kendra Rigo of Becahi battles for a rebound.



Keyara Walters, right, and Yarian Fernandez try to stop a basket by the K-Kids Nicole Yellen.

my teammates an even better shot," Hernandez said.

"On the boards, [Northampton] is a lot bigger than us, so we had to get a lot tougher."

Northampton guard Taylor Kranzley had seven of the K-Kids' third-quarter points, and teammate Grace Lesko forced a turnover to tie the game before Hernandez's three.

"We were looking for a spark: come in, play good defense, build your rope, and let's see what can happen," said Coach Medina.

Lesko had four points

to start the fourth-quarter offense for the K-Kids, but it was never quite enough for Northampton despite converting six of eight free throws in the last eight minutes.

Hernandez's three pointer and a putback by Becahi forward Kendra Rigo kept the Hawks a step ahead.

Then, with 1:31 remaining, Donato, who had missed the last several games due to a concussion she suffered in practice, drained a three pointer and was fouled

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The girls celebrate as the final seconds wind down.



The Becahi girls celebrate their fifth EPC basketball title.



Keyara Walters, right, and Cydney Stanton get the EPC trophy.

# Boys teams prep for start of D-11 playoffs

BY PETER CAR  
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The District 11 basketball tournament will get underway this weekend with all three Bethlehem area teams partaking in the action.

Freedom and Liberty start off with tough action in the 6A tournament, coming in as the eighth and seventh seeds respectively.

The Patriots (10-12)

are matched up with top-seed and East Penn Conference champion Parkland (18-7) in Saturday's opening round of the tournament when they play at 4 p.m. at Easton Area Middle School.

This will be the first meeting between both schools this season, as the Pates figure to be heavy underdogs in the contest.

The winner of that matchup would move

to the semifinals on March 2 against either fourth-seeded Nazareth or fifth-seeded Emmaus.

In the bottom half of the bracket, Liberty (11-11) takes on second-seeded Pocono Mountain West (17-4) at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Pleasant Valley. This will also be the first matchup between both teams this season. The winner moves on to play either third-seeded Northamp-

ton (17-6) or sixth-seeded Allen (14-8).

The date for the 6A finals and consolation finals are slated for March 5, as three teams will qualify for the PIAA tournament.

In 4A, Wilson's Colonial League Championship puts them as the top-seed, which unfortunately means Bethlehem Catholic would see Central Catholic before the finals, as the

Hawks (16-6) come in as the third-seed and play Northwestern (12-11) on Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Catasauqua.

A win over the Tigers would pit them against the Vikings (21-4) in the semifinals on March 5.

The Hawks and Vikings met on Dec. 17 with Central winning 39-29 in a game where the Hawks had several key injuries. Both schools

have combined to win

the last five 4A titles. Wilson (18-6) gets a bye with the top-seed and awaits the winner of fourth-seeded Jim Thorpe (16-8) and fifth-seed North Schuylkill (12-10). The championship and consolation date for 4A is March 4. Three teams advance to the PIAA tournament from the 4A bracket.



## Hurricane wrestlers aiming high at districts

BY PETER CAR  
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Liberty's Memorial Gymnasium is the site of this weekend's District 11 3A wrestling tournament and the host Hurricanes hope it can bolster their showing at the start of the individual postseason.

The Hurricanes bring two returning medalists to this weekend's tournament and head coach Brandon Hall is hoping the team can make a splash in their home gym.

"We believe we can potentially push five maybe six kids to regionals if they wrestle well," said Hall. "You never know how the seeds affect who meets who in those consolation semifinal matches. I've been around long enough to know that we could also

only push a couple to regionals if kids aren't wrestling in the moment, one point at a time."

Javien Deleon (132) and Christian Reid (160) finished third and fourth respectively last season and should be near locks to move on to regionals, as the top-five wrestlers in each weight class advance.

Liberty will have 12 wrestlers competing this weekend, with 113-pounds being the only weight without an entrant.

"I think Javien and Christian should make it out of districts," Hall said. "Ryan Santiago (145) has a good chance too. Kam Abboud (126) has been wrestling well and Sawyer Quayle (215) has a chance too. Depending on how things line up at 106, Jasiah

Pagan also has a shot."

With a few weeks off between District Duals and the individual postseason, Hall hopes the time in the practice room can reinvigorate the squad.

"While we'd like to be competing over the past couple weeks," Hall said. "This time does give us a chance to really focus on individual work, preparing each varsity kid for what they need personally in the post season. It's also given some kids the opportunity to heal up from nagging injuries."

Wrestling gets underway Friday at 4 p.m. with pigtailed and continues with quarterfinals at 6 p.m., followed by first round consolation at 8 p.m. Saturday's action begins at 9 a.m. with second round consolations,

followed by semifinals and third round consolations at 10:30 a.m. Fourth round consolations are at 1 p.m. with the third and fifth place matches taking place at 4 p.m.

Championships finals (both 3A and 2A) get underway at 5:45 p.m.

Below is the complete list of Liberty's participants at their respective weights for this weekend.

106 - Jasiah Pagan  
120 - Jack Evans  
126 - Kam Abboud  
132 - Javien Deleon  
138 - Chandler Drew  
145 - Ryan Santiago  
152 - Elijah Reid  
160 - Christian Reid  
172 - Xavian Ramos  
189 - Raffi Harrington  
215 - Sawyer Quayle  
285 - Seth Kolb



PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN  
Javien Deleon of Liberty, left, is looking forward to going far in the upcoming district tournament.

## Freedom wrestling looks to survive at districts



PRESS PHOTO BY DON HERB  
Connor Bevan is one of two Freedom wrestlers who placed at districts last season.

BY PETER CAR  
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Advance and survive.

That's the name of the game at this point of the wrestling season and the message Freedom's wrestlers are bringing with them into this weekend's District 11 3A wrestling tournament at Liberty's Memorial Gymnasium.

After an impressive dual meet season, the Patriots are now hoping some of that success can spill over to the first weekend of the individual postseason.

"Realistically, I think we can have around five

kids advance," said head coach Dante Terenzio. "We have quite a few guys that will be battling for those third through fifth place spots."

Freedom will have a full contingent of wrestlers competing this week with CJ Horvath (120) and Connor Bevan (152) returning as the lone Patriot medalists from a year ago.

Both wrestlers finished fourth last year at districts and look to improve, as the top five wrestlers from each class advance. Terenzio should see most of his roster battling for one of

the top five finishes, which should pave the way for an exciting weekend for the team.

"Postseason wrestling is survival of the fittest; it's a war," said Terenzio. "Each individual's goal is to prolong the season. If you take a loss, you got to have a short term memory and bounce back quickly in the consolations."

"We've been getting healthy and really focusing on drilling the things that work for us with the time off. Repetition is always important, but so is adding a few new things to your

arsenal. The little things we are adding will help us score more points."

The complete Freedom lineup for this weekend are below.

106 - Jomar Medina  
113 - Evan Moretz  
120 - CJ Horvath  
126 - Reinaldo Lebron  
132 - Cameron Wickemeyer  
138 - Joey Bodnar  
145 - Chris Jurado  
152 - Connor Bevan  
160 - Noah MacIlroy  
172 - Jared Karabinus  
189 - Anthony Lyden  
215 - Jugraj Nagra  
285 - Nick Farrel

## Hawks are hoping for golden weekend

BY PETER CAR  
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Bethlehem Catholic has already won the East Penn Conference title, the District 11 3A title and the PIAA 3A championship this winter as a team, but now the Hawks have their sights on the individual postseason.

The Hawks will certainly be in contention with Nazareth to come away with the team title this weekend, as the District 11 3A tournament gets underway at Liberty's Memorial Gymnasium, but the main goal is to advance as many wrestlers as possible to next week's Northeast Regional tournament.

Becahi advanced 10 wrestlers to regionals last year and crowned five district champs, which are numbers that head coach Jeff Karam hopes his team can replicate this weekend.

"I'm hoping we can get 10 guys through to regionals," said Karam. "We want to win the team title and advance as many guys as possible."

Leading the Hawks this weekend will be defending district and PIAA champion Tyler Kasak (138, junior), who comes into the weekend undefeated at 33-0 and is the overwhelming favorite to win his weight class and make a repeat

run through the postseason like he did a year ago.

Other returning medalists for the Hawks include: Dante Frinzi (120, champion); Andrew Harmon (145, champion) and Landon Muth (160, runner-up).

Freshman sensation Nate Desmond (106) enters his first postseason at 29-2 and is favored to come away with a gold medal this weekend as well.

With the aforementioned wrestlers forming the base of what the Hawks could see in the finals, it'll be up to the rest of the lineup to gather as many points as possible to try and top Naz-

areth for the team title.

After coming home with the eighth PIAA team title in school history a few weeks ago, Becahi should be primed to refocus their energy on collecting more hardware over the next three weeks.

"It's definitely a huge benefit participating in the team post season," Karam said. "The guys got an opportunity to wrestle seven more matches and compete at the Giant Center. I always believe it is a big benefit to compete in that arena prior to making it at individuals."

This is the projected Becahi lineup for this weekend.



PRESS PHOTO BY MARK KIRLIN  
Nate Desmond, a freshman, is hoping for a long playoff run.

106 - Nate Desmond  
113 - Cole Campbell  
120 - Cael McIntyre  
126 - Dante Frinzi  
132 - Kollin Rath  
138 - Tyler Kasak  
145 - Andrew Harmon

152 - Jake Dailey  
160 - Landon Muth  
172 - Luke Thomas  
189 - James Deluise  
215 - Nico Spezza  
285 - Elijah Thompson

## Bethlehem hockey ties Solehi, postseason up next

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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Bethlehem Ice Hockey skated its way to a 4-4 tie with Southern Lehigh on Feb. 14, the last game of the regular season, at Bethlehem Municipal Ice Rink.

Bethlehem struck

first on a goal by Richard Giering, assisted by Matthew Ingram.

Southern Lehigh tied things up in the first period on a goal by Jack Cacace on a power play, and Patrick Laughlin and Clay Chemitz had the assists.

In the second period, Southern Lehigh's Anthony Greco and Laughlin gave their team a two-point lead. Greco's goal came on a power play with assists by Colton Balco and Aiden Pail.

Bethlehem scored

three consecutive goals in the third period.

Ryan Hathaway had the first goal on an assist by Ingram, and Justin Musella scored twice on power plays, assisted by Stephen Callaghan and Hathaway.

In the last 13 seconds,

Cacace saved a loss for Southern Lehigh on a goal assisted by Laughlin.

Bethlehem goalie Aidan Swenor made 22 saves, and Southern Lehigh goalie made 19 saves.

Bethlehem (11-3),

the number-two seed in postseason play, will take on Central (10-4), the number-three seed, on Friday night at Whitehall.

## BC girls defeat Easton in EPC semifinal action

BY KATIE MCDONALD  
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"Kiki down the stretch" could become a new chant for Bethlehem Catholic's Lady Hawks after senior guard Keyara "Kiki" Walters hit her second clutch three pointer in four days to catapult Becahi to a 45-40 victory over Easton in the East Penn Conference girls basketball semifinal last Tuesday at PPL Center in Allentown.

"Kiki down the stretch against Central. Kiki down the stretch tonight. She did a great job," said Becahi coach Jose Medina, "and she'd be the first one to say that setup came from a pass, and that's what we talked about all year, making the extra pass and doing the little things it takes to come out on top."

Not only did Walters repeat history, so did the Hawks in the third quarter, specifically against

the Red Rovers, but this time, Becahi rewrote the outcome against Easton.

"Been there, done that before," Coach Medina said. "We're up on Easton, they start to claw back, they take the lead. And for two games, we let it get away, and to be down six or seven going into the fourth, just to stay there, to keep pushing, to keep fighting, and to get over the mountain was just a great effort from our girls."

In the first meeting between Becahi and Easton, the Hawks lost by one point. In their second meeting, the Hawks lost by 15 points.

How did the Hawks rewrite history?

"We said, 'Let's not get beat by things we already know.' We did the little things right in the fourth quarter, we had the momentum, and then they played harder and the ball seemed to find them," Medina ex-

plained.

Trailing 35-29, Becahi's Cydney Stanton and Kendra Rigo converted two free throws apiece, and Cici Hernandez had a bucket to tie the game after Easton's Sara Tamoun landed two foul shots of her own.

With 40 seconds remaining, Walters drained a three, putting the Hawks up by one point.

"When we started getting steals at the end, that made me feel comfortable and made us feel like we had the energy to beat them," Walters said.

Easton's Makenna Zimmerman missed the front end of a one-and-one, and Hernandez was fouled on the rebound, sinking two.

"I think on defense, being able to rotate helped us get the momentum on offense and be able to feel confident," said Walters, who drained a three pointer

seconds before the first quarter buzzer and seconds into the second quarter.

On defense, Stanton, who also knocked down a three in the second, forced turnovers all night.

"At practice, we worked on some things that wouldn't necessarily work against Central but would work against Easton," Stanton said. "Our coaches telling us, guiding us from the bench, telling us

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a minute later, sinking both foul shots.

The PPL Center is also where Donato tore her ACL two years ago, playing with a brace on her leg all this season.

"She conquered. Think about it. You're back in the same build-

ing where you tore your ACL. To see her and what she's been through this year, the ups and downs like a roller coaster, she deserves every accolade, everything that comes her way," Medina said. "And it's great when you have something tangible...and you can say, look, this is what it was worth. I'm so happy for

her." Donato received the Stacy Perryman Memorial Award for being the most outstanding female player in the EPC championship game. "Coach reminded me to let the game come to me," Donato said, "and I listened."



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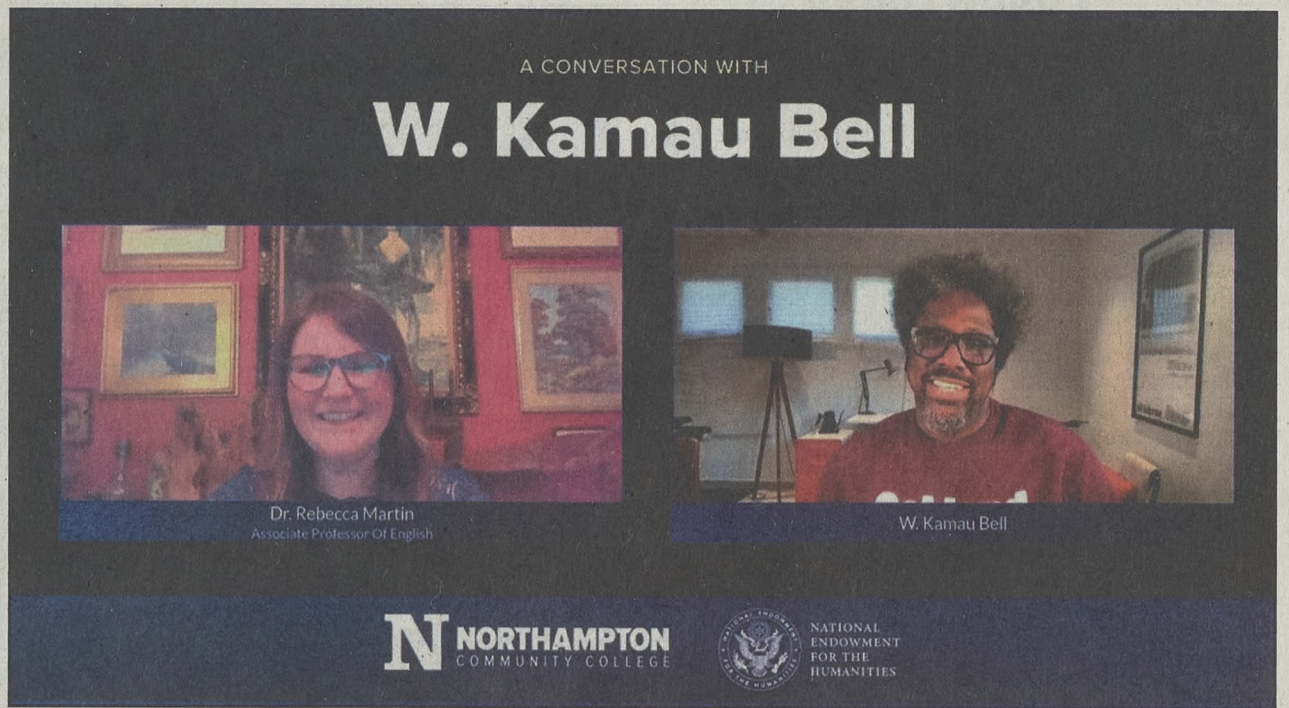
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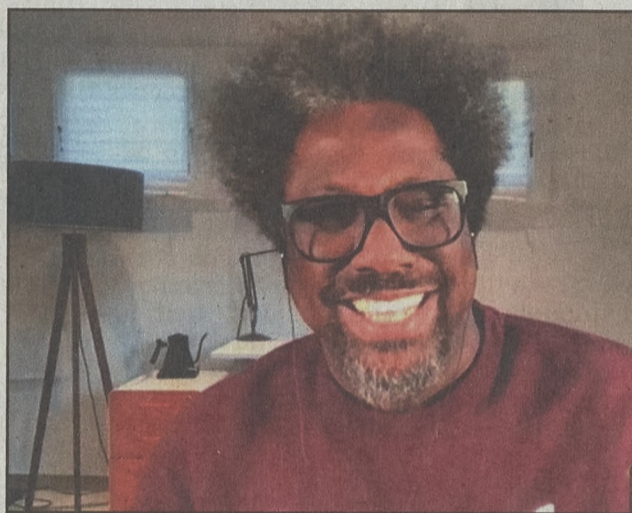
# NCC HUMANITIES LECTURE

## 'A sense of humor is an evolutionary thing'

BY CHRIS HARING  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Northampton Community College held its annual Humanities Keynote Lecture remotely on the evening of Feb. 9. This year's edition, 'A Conversation with W. Kamau Bell,' featured the sociopolitical comedian and Emmy Award-winning CNN host/executive producer speaking on a range of topics.

The session's moderator, Dr. Rebecca Martin (an Associate Professor of English at Northampton), kicked off the conversation by referring to what Bell has characterized as the "broken parts of our society," and asked how and where he



W. Kamau Bell speaks about the role of comedy in society.

found strength in them. "I think strength is pushing on when you don't feel like you can," Bell replied. "If it's easy

for you to get through (a situation), that's just who you are." He referred to an upcoming episode of his show,

United Shades of America, which touches on the recent battle in public schools over teaching history. Bell said he's seen strength in education advocates in the face of contentious school board meetings and other forms of harassment. "There are people there who know they have to show up... and advocate, because (not teaching accurate history) is how America goes backwards," he said. "It's just really heartening to know that people are out there doing that work, especially when there is such an organized effort" to restrict it, he added.

Bell also spoke of the role comedy can play in such a tumultuous era and stressed the difference between "making fun of and making fun out of something," he said, adding, "A sense of humor is an evolutionary thing. We had to develop (one) to get through life.

"The best (educational) television I watched as a kid was also entertaining," he said. He mentioned Sesame Street and Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood, noting that among the better shows his kids watch are ones he also finds entertaining as an adult.

Humor can also be a tool to process trauma, Bell said. "It's the reason why often in a society, the most oppressed group is also where the comedians come from," he said. "I've never even thought of that," Martin responded.

Bell talked about the "microphone" that comes with producing a series that has won multiple awards. "The reason why I'm here is to give other people a shot at that microphone," he said.

Martin asked him about his ability to keep difficult conversations productive, even when he doesn't necessarily agree. Bell said it was essential to "enter into the conversation to do more listening than talking.

"We get so caught up in... you think you score points in the battle," he said. "But you're not scoring points. Nobody's keeping score, and you don't get a check at the end of the day because you won that conversation."



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**THE GRESS MOUNTAIN RANCH**, Orefield needs volunteers to assist with feeding and watering the animals, including pigs, goats, horses, ponies, alpacas, and Stanley Llama. Small groups also needed to help with grounds maintenance, composting, cleaning stalls. Minimum age 14, or with parent supervision is 10. To arrange a day/time, call Kathryn Gress at 610-398-2122, gressranch@gmail.com.

**WHITEHALL HISTORICAL PRESERVATION SOCIETY** is looking for community members to join our Board of Directors and assist in our mission to share and preserve the history of Whitehall. New recruits must be approved by current board members and attend monthly meetings, participate in fundraising and special events, help to maintain archives, and more. Contact Alice Liberman, 610-776-7280, whps@verizon.net.

**WILDLANDS CONSERVANCY**, Emmaus is developing a dedicated volunteer group to help with the regular upkeep of Dorothy Rider Pool Wildlife Sanctuary. Projects will include landscape bed maintenance, mulching/chip spreading, litter clean-up, trail maintenance, invasive species management, and more. The hours are flexible, but commitment to a regular schedule is requested. Contact Jim Hess, 610-965-4397 x148, jhess@wildlandspa.org.

**LEHIGH VALLEY AUTO DEALERS FOUNDATION** is seeking community volunteers to staff the 2022 Lehigh Valley Auto Show at Stabler Arena, Bethlehem. Shifts are four to five hours beginning 5 - 9 p.m. on March 16; 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. March 17, 18, 19; 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. on March 20. All functions are indoors. For application contact Tom Kwiatek, 610-758-9691, tkwiatek@ptd.net.

**THE CENTER FOR ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE**, Easton, is seeking volunteers to walk dogs, assist with a.m. cleanings, attend off site events to promote the shelter, cat and dog enrichment and general shelter help. If interested in helping, please contact Walt Hoffman at 610-252-7722 ext 4 or email cahwvolunteercoordinator@rcn.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.

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or call 610-867-3761.

Southside

Anytime Storytime Corner. DIY story time, Different books and a free craft available every week. Visit www.bapl.org/events/anytime-storytime-at-south-side-2022-02-28/ for more information.

Homework Help -Lehigh University's Alpha Phi Sorority students available to help students in grades Kindergarten through 12th grade with homework. Any subject, any grade level. Monday through Thursday, 4:30-5:30 p.m. For more information, call 610-867-7852 or visit www.bapl.org/events/homework-help-south-side-branch-4/

Through Feb. 28

While supplies last: DIY Adult Craft Kit: Create a Winter Terrarium in a mason jar with trees, salt, and other items, included supplies. Visit www.bapl.org/events/february-adult-diy-craft-make-your-own-winter-terrarium-at-the-south-side-branch/

Wednesday, March 2

Winter Preschool Storytime at Southside, 11:15 to 11:45 a.m. Masks required for age two and up. Visit www.bapl.org/events/winter-preschool-storytime-at-south-side-2022-02-02/

Coolidge Building

Wednesdays through March 30

Write Stuff Wednesdays, grades two through five. 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Simple, creative activities that make writing easy and fun. Topics change weekly. Information: visit www.bapl.org/events/writing-box-wednesdays/

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At right, Vivian Robledo-Shorey talks about her upcoming retirement as director of Student Services and Minority Affairs for BASD. From left are Rev. Suzanne Trump, Janine Santoro and NCC Associate Dean Audree Chase-Mayoral.

Santoro outlines year's projects

BY ED COURRIER  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Chaired by Bethlehem's Director of Equity and Inclusion Janine Carambot Santoro, the task force convened for the year's first meeting Jan. 25 at shared news and concerns at the masked meeting at Northampton Community College Fowler Southside Center.

Santoro gratefully acknowledged former chair Roger Hudak, who attended remotely, for "all of his years of dedication to this group." She added, "Thank you for your compassion, care, and advocacy for the South Side!"

Saying, "I'm excited to wear this new hat," Santoro spoke about producing "Bethlehem Corner," a series of short videos highlighting diversity and lesser known history, among other topics.

She described the city's Climate Action Plan and the "Climate Justice" part her office is working on.

Mayor William Reynolds discussed seeking a more equitable allocation of city services, like snow plowing, for neighborhoods north and south of the Lehigh River.

Since the Boys & Girls Club had closed, he said there is a need for a community center for the

SOUTHSIDE TASK FORCE



New SSTF Chair Janine Santoro describes goals at the Mayor's South Side Task Force meeting Jan. 25.

Southside. Community outreach plans to address affordable housing concerns were also brought up. "Where do we want to put our resources?" Reynolds asked.

The mayor spoke about the process of establishing a stand-alone homeless shelter, as the Bethlehem Emergency Shelter relies on a church on Market Street. Reynolds expressed a need for a regional solution for this issue.

Hudak said, "We have to look after the poor folks," as he remarked

on the number of new high rises being built nearby.

Community Action Development Corporation of Bethlehem (CAD-CB) Director Yadira Colon-Lopez reported on "Southside's Tomorrow." In partnership with the city, they look to focus on housing, as well as on public and green spaces.

Vivian Robledo-Shorey discussed her upcoming retirement as director of Student Services and Minority Affairs for BASD. She suggested that circulat-

ing an agenda prior to a meeting would be helpful to her successor.

"We are a resource for you," said Sgt. Blake Kuntz from the Bethlehem Police Dept. He offered department assistance in addressing many of the issues discussed at the meeting.

"He came to this meeting because he cares," said Reynolds, praising Kuntz, who had to deal with an "intense" emergency situation prior to attending the meeting.

State Rep. Steve Samuelson (D) and his legislative assistant Glorilex Vasquez spoke about state rent and mortgage rebates for seniors.

Brenda Grow from the Bethlehem Area Public Library South Side Branch reported on neighborhood changes that caused a drop in library patrons. Lack of parking has had some affect.

Susan Vitez, Steelworkers' Archive, mentioned more Bethlehem Steel site tours are being planned.

Santoro asked those gathered in person and online for continued input on what can be done to make for more productive meetings and to benefit the South Side district.

The Mayor's South Side Task Force regularly meets on the last Tuesday of the month.



At left, CADCB Director Yadira Colon-Lopez describes "Southside's Tomorrow," a new Neighborhood Partnership Program. At right is Samantha Mravlag from CADCB.



"We are a resource for you," says Sgt. Blake Kuntz from the Bethlehem Police Dept. at the Task Force meeting.

County bridges get needed attention

BY DOUGLAS GRAVES  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Lehigh County Commissioners heard a report about Lehigh County's bridges from Director of General Services Richard Molchany Feb. 9. Molchany's introduction of the subject got the commissioners focused on upcoming budget issues.

"In Lehigh County we have some bridges that are functionally obsolete," said Molchany. He was referring to the county's covered bridges.

"If we were going to build a new bridge, we would never build a covered bridge. But, as

a tourist attraction, our quests [for those bridges] are covered es]."

**"In Lehigh County we have some bridges that are functionally obsolete."**

Richard Molchany referring to covered bridges

"The Geiger Bridge, located at the Trexler Nature Preserve on Old Packhouse Road is closed for construction. We received a \$400,000 grant and we're working on that bridge right now to bring that bridge up to what we consider functionally obsolete standards. It will be

passable with a three-ton limit."

Geiger Covered Bridge is in North Whitehall Township. It is a 112-foot-long bridge across Jordan Creek constructed in 1860. It was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1980.

"Here is a recap of status of bridges owned by Lehigh County," said Molchany. "This is something that we review in earnest every year as we develop our five-year capital plan.

"Last year at this time we were discussing placing about \$19 million into a capital plan. Keep in mind, capital plans do See LECO on Page A11



## Caitlyn Stackhouse

### Notre Dame HS

**Grade:** 12  
**Family:** Two older brothers (Sean and Andrew), mom Mari-beth and dad Ross  
**Favorite subject:** English because I love dissecting books and reading in general.  
**Activities:** Cheerleading, Key Club, Greenhouse Club, Student Council  
**Next Steps:** Attend a four-year university - major in education  
**Career goals:** Be a teacher  
**Heroes:** My parents - they sacrifice so much and are so supportive of me and my brothers.  
**Hobbies:** Doing hair, taking pictures, reading  
**Volunteer and community work:** Miracle League  
**Likes:** Summer, football season, color pink, Starbucks  
**Dislikes:** Winter, bad grades  
**Greatest accomplishment (so far):** Becoming a member of the national foreign language



honors society (French)  
**Advice for peers:** Have fun, take risks, don't take everything so seriously, be present, and take lots of pictures!

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

## NOTRE DAME HS NEWS

By Michael Hodgskins

### A seasonal change

After the conclusion of 2021, the Notre Dame family can proudly look back at all of the fun activities and events we have done so far. But with the beginning of 2022, the Notre Dame family is bringing many more upcoming announcements and projects that we have planned to make this year even more exciting than the last.

After a very successful and exhilarating winter season filled with victories by our wrestling team, swimming team and boys and girls basketball teams, the winter season is finally coming to a close and we are preparing for the exciting arrival of spring sports. Baseball, softball, tennis, track and field and lacrosse are just a few of the teams that we will see playing starting March - the snow on our fields finally being replaced by athletes.

Sports isn't the only thing that will be returning; it will come back alongside the seasonal play, which will be "Beauty and The Beast," presented by our hardworking Notre Dame Theater Company. The last play we had was "Miracle on 34th Street," way back in November, so we will finally be able to see our wonderful cast and crew return from behind the curtains.

Another event on our calendar is Kairos, a student-led retreat from March 8 to 11 where students are to focus on themselves, their journey thus far in their life, and aspects of themselves that have not yet been explored that might prepare them for adulthood.

Another addition to these celebrations that has been over 20 years in the making is an actual addition: the auditorium that is currently being built on to our school. From now on, school plays, band performances, concerts and even Mass will all be held in the new auditorium.

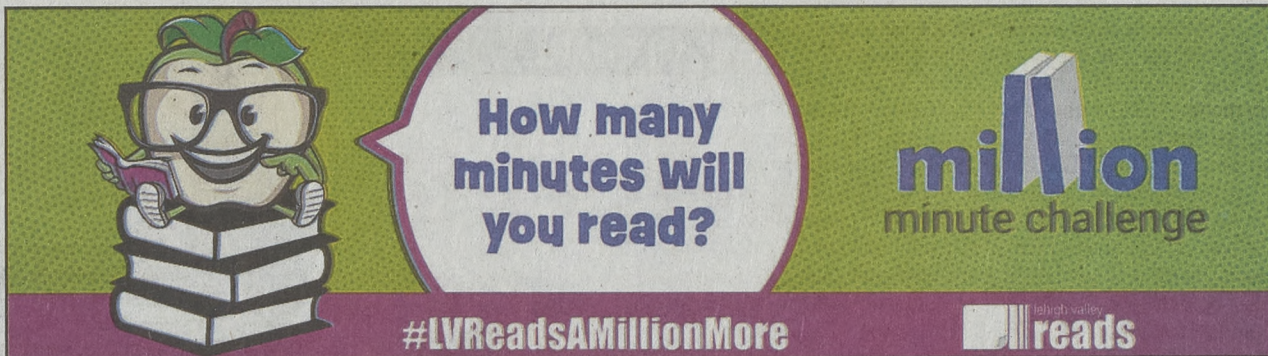
We won't have to worry about uncomfortably cramming all of our students into the gym for a monthly Mass or Honor Society inductions. Once the addition of Notre Dame's Auditorium is finished, we will finally be able to accommodate the walls of the new building comfortably.

As you can see, the winds of winter are finally beginning to fade and the fresh spring air will be emerging soon, bringing all of these exciting activities and ceremonies to the surface with it.

We are looking forward to a more calm and peaceful future, where the dust of the crazy past two years is finally beginning to settle. The shift of the seasons will mark our school's change to slowly but surely return to normalcy. A change that has been very much needed and a change that we all here at Notre Dame have been looking forward to for the longest time. A seasonal change.



Hodgskins



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The Million Minute Challenge asks, "How many minutes will you read?" Lehigh Valley residents can sign up online from now through the end of March to pledge their minutes.

# Million Minute Challenge

## Valley literacy commitment spreads nationwide

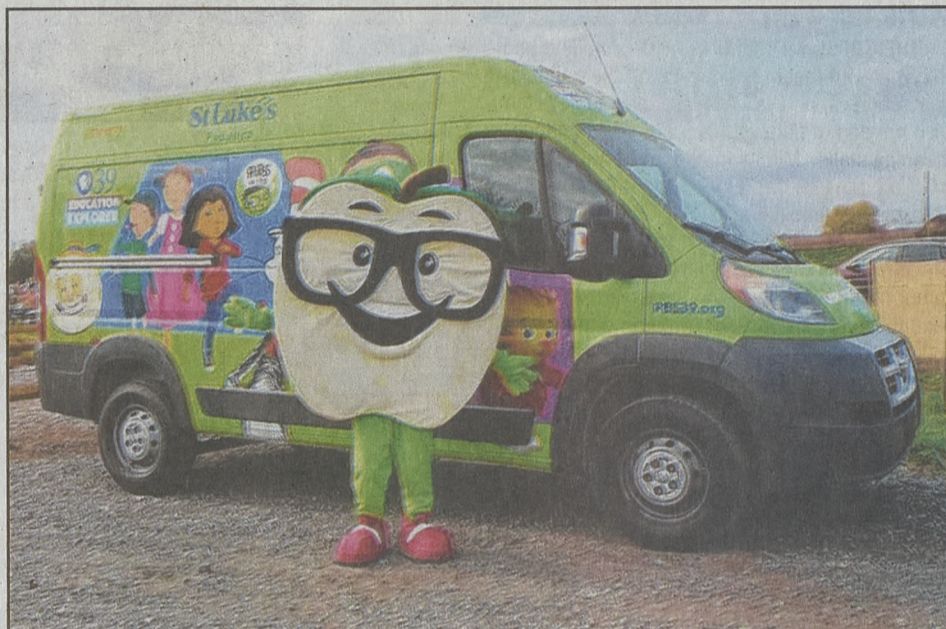
BY THERESA O'BRIEN  
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Lehigh Valley Reads (LV Reads), a partnership between the United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley (UWGLV) and PBS39, began four years ago to support the goal of having at least 75 percent of Lehigh Valley students read proficiently by the end of third grade. Although that goal - projected as attainable by 2021 - was derailed by Pa. Dept. of Ed. coronavirus mitigation policies, the parties behind the effort remain committed to improving primary-grade literacy.

If anything, LV Reads Campaign Director Angela Zanelli says the literacy setbacks of 2020 and 2021 have only heightened the importance of the campaign, including the "Million Minute Challenge" that LV Reads initiated three years ago to celebrate the first year of the Valley-wide literacy campaign.

The Million Minute Challenge (MMC) dares Valley residents of all ages to commit to reading during the month of March, and to pledge their minutes online (<https://lehighvalleyreads.org/million>). As of Feb. 16, Valley residents had already committed to read a total of 1,087,395 minutes in March.

Although reading challenges are not new, the month-long MMC is the unique creation of LV Reads - an idea that groups across the country have begun adopting. Zanelli, Jill Pereira of UWGLV, and their team helped the United Way of Hartford, Conn., launch its own MMC last summer. LV Reads is currently working with a group in North Carolina to start



LV Reads mascot "Corey" visits a local park with the PBS39 Education Explorer van. As part of a partnership with St. Luke's and Capital Blue Cross, the van has delivered more than 2,000 "Smart Sacks" filled with books and educational activities over the past year.

an MMC there, providing digital assets such as mascot logos and goal sheets.

### Creating community; building partnerships

"This event exists to create community around reading," Zanelli explains. LV Reads designed the MMC to be "accessible to most, and as flexible as possible," with adults encouraged to log minutes for reading to very young children, and all participants given free access to a digital library (WorldReader) for the month of March. WorldReader works on any device that can connect to the Internet, and e-books can be downloaded while online for later reading offline.

In addition to the United Way and PBS39, dozens of local companies and nonprofit organizations have signed up to help. A full list of partners is available online (<https://lehighvalleyreads.org/about/>

our-partners).

Two of these partners, CAI and People First, are the presenting sponsors for 2022. CAI is Computer Aid, Inc., a technology services firm headquartered in Allentown (<https://www.cai.io>); People First is a credit union with seven branches in the Lehigh Valley (<https://www.peoplefirstcu.org/>). Their sponsorship includes financial support, donations of new and gently used books, and encouraging their own employees to pledge minutes to the MMC.

MMC registration opened Feb. 1, but a full-scale kickoff is scheduled for March 2, which is celebrated nationally as Read Across America Day. Members of the LV Reads team will visit local schools, and the day will end with an appearance at the Lehigh Valley Phantoms game. Zanelli highlights the generosity of Truist, a bank that has contributed to LV Reads

financially, and will be donating its ad time on the Jumbotron to LV Reads during the March 2 game. Fans will be encouraged to wear purple to show their support for early literacy.

It's all part of what Zanelli identifies as "the heart of collective impact work" - building trust and relationships, identifying gaps, and meeting challenges.

"We're in the game of systems change," Zanelli says. "Systems have to shift to make our students successful, and Lehigh Valley Reads is here to support the community in moving toward that change." Undaunted by the challenges of the past two years, LV Reads is dedicated to reaching its goal of all third-graders reading at grade level by 2025, with the support of partners throughout the community, using relationships that Zanelli and her team continue to build and strengthen.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### LV Academy purchases building

Feinberg Real Estate Advisors, LLC represented the Lehigh Valley Academy Regional Charter School (LVA) in its purchase of 2040 Avenue C, a three-story, 210,000-square-foot property in the City of Bethlehem. The property, which was built in 1976 for the Fuller Co headquarters and expanded in 1996 when Fuller Co became part of the FLSmidth group of companies, will be redeveloped for the Lehigh Valley Academy, an IB World School, and will be ready for occupancy for the opening of the 2023-24 school year.

## COLLEGE NOTES

### Desales University Tax help available

Junior and senior accounting students from DeSales University will provide tax preparation assistance free of charge through the U.S. Internal Revenue Service's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program. The program runs through April 1. The program is for senior citizens, those with incomes below \$54,000, people with disabilities, students, military and those who speak English as a second language.

To schedule an appointment, qualified individuals may call 610-282-1100, ext. 1868. A DeSales student will return the phone call. Individuals needing assistance should bring all printed tax information and all documents pertaining to federal, state, and local taxes with them to their appointment. All in-person appointments will be conducted with all COVID-related precautions. Visitors to the DeSales campus are required to be masked.

### Northampton Community College

#### Presidential Ambassador Scholarship applications

Up to three full tuition Presidential Ambassador Scholarships are available for 2022 to Northampton and Monroe County high school graduates. The applicants must plan to attend college full-time to pursue an associate degree.

The scholarship recognizes exceptional students who demonstrated excellence in academics, leadership, and community involvement. Recipients will have the opportunity to work with the

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not equal budgets."

President Geoff Brace said, "Two years ago, some of my colleagues suggested, 'let the municipalities take ownership of the bridges.' It was a contentious subject which baffled me at the time because it was the county's responsibility.

"Why would we try and pass this onto the municipalities? I will urge my colleagues with regard to discussion of bridges to avoid that reaction. These are our responsibilities.

"If we try to pass it off to the municipalities all we end up with is a delayed construction project and an unfixed bridge."



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**Left:** Commissioner President Geoff Brace recalled, "Two years ago, some of my colleagues suggested, 'let the municipalities take ownership of the bridges.' If we try to pass it off to the municipalities all we end up with is a delayed construction. **Right:** Commissioner Dave Harrington noted there has been an increase in extreme weather such as flooding and confirmed with Director of General Services Richard Molchany that damage has increased.

Commissioner Dave Harrington noted that there has been an increase in extreme weather, such as flooding.

"You are reading about 'should we toll bridges' and 'should we increase registration rates,'" said Molchany. "To get that \$12 billion for roads and bridges we need to contribute our share, which is roughly 20 percent.

"It is certainly a challenge because we have so many bridges and so many of them that are, unfortunately, old. They require significant upkeep.

"Have we seen an increase in the wear and tear on our bridges because of that?" asked Harrington.

"Absolutely," said Molchany.

## PPL's United Way campaign raises record \$5M

PPL Corporation and its employees and retirees stood tall together to raise over \$5 million - a record-breaking amount - during the company's annual United Way campaign.

The campaign supports United Way agencies across central and eastern Pennsylvania and in New York City, where PPL's Safari Energy subsidiary is headquartered. Through the United

Way and partner agencies, funds raised will support ongoing efforts to help children learn, grow and succeed; to create more opportunities for those less fortunate; to improve the quality of life for seniors; to provide emergency services to victims of violence and natural disasters; and to battle hunger in our communities.

"Strengthening our communi-

ties is one of PPL's core values," said Vincent Sorgi, president and chief executive officer of PPL Corporation. "The money we raise as part of our annual United Way campaigns benefits individuals and families in the communities where we live and work. I'm proud to lead a team of employees who support their community not only through their day-to-day

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### YOUR LOCAL WEATHER

7 Day Forecast	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	Mostly Cloudy	Chance Rain & Snow	Snow Likely	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy
	<b>64 / 28</b>	<b>37 / 29</b>	<b>40 / 18</b>	<b>33 / 16</b>	<b>37 / 21</b>	<b>35 / 17</b>	<b>34 / 18</b>
	7-16 mph WSW	3-6 mph SE	7-13 mph SSE	6-11 mph WNW	5-11 mph WSW	13-18 mph WNW	9-17 mph WNW

**FORECAST FOR LEHIGH VALLEY PENNSYLVANIA**

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies, high of 64°, humidity of 60%. West southwest wind 7 to 16 mph. The record high for today is 72° set in 2017. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of 28°. Northwest wind 6 to 11 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 22°. The record low for tonight is 2° set in 1972. Thursday, skies will be cloudy with a 35% chance of rain and snow, high of 37°, humidity of 56%. Southeast wind 3 to 6 mph. Thursday night, skies will be cloudy with a 100% chance of snow, overnight low of 29°. East northeast wind 3 to 7 mph. Friday, skies will be mostly cloudy with a 100% chance of snow, high of 40°, humidity of 86%. South southeast wind 7 to 13 mph. Friday night, skies will be partly cloudy, overnight low of 18°.

**Weather Trivia**

What was the biggest recorded tornado outbreak?

Answer: On April 3rd and 4th of 1974, 148 tornadoes traveled across 13 states.

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Office of the President and other departments to develop their leadership, networking and communication skills as well as take part in community engagement, internship experiences and cultural excursions. To apply (April 1 deadline) and for this and other scholarships and programs, visit [www.northampton.edu/admissions/tuition-financial-aid-scholarships/scholarships/presidential-scholarship.htm](http://www.northampton.edu/admissions/tuition-financial-aid-scholarships/scholarships/presidential-scholarship.htm)

### Penn State/Extension Pesticide short course deadline March 15

Penn State Extension is offering a Pesticide Applicator Short Course for landscape professionals who are preparing to take the Pennsylvania Pesticide Applicator Certification exams. The course begins with the Core on March 21 and 23.

The event will be held at the South Whitehall Township building, 4444 Walbert Ave., Allentown. Seating is limited and pre-registration is required by March 15. To learn more and register online, visit this site: <https://extension.psu.edu/pesticide-applicator-short-course-cat-6-7-10-23>. Questions regarding the March Pesticide Applicator Short Course can be directed to Amy Korman at [amk6396@psu.edu](mailto:amk6396@psu.edu) or call 610-813-6614.

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## Pa. Parks and Forest Foundation hosts photo contest

Calling all photographers, the Pennsylvania Parks and Forests Foundation's annual Thru the Seasons photo contest is now open!

In celebration of the milestone 50th anniversary of the Clean Water Act and in recognition of the importance of forests for water quality, the theme of this year's photo contest is Clean Water and Forested Ecosystems.

Pennsylvania's state parks and forests are home to over 7,100 miles of streams and 154 lakes, both natural and man-made, enjoyed for a wide variety of recreation. Not only do we need healthy waterways for swimming, fishing, and boating, clean water is essential to all living things and we have forests to thank for naturally purifying our water supply.

PPFF is calling on photographers, both amateur and professional alike, to share their artistic view on the value of clean water and the role forests play in watershed health by submitting to the following categories:

- Water is Life
- Caught in the Rain
- Raindrop to River
- Reflections
- Forests
- Young Photographers

(ages 12 to 17)

All photos must be taken in a Pennsylvania state park or forest. The submission deadline is Sept. 30. For full contest details, please visit [paparksandforests.org](http://paparksandforests.org).

The mission of the foundation is to inspire stewardship of Pennsylvania's state parks and forests. To learn more about PPFF, visit <https://paparksandforests.org/>.

## PPL

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work in delivering energy to power their lives but also in their generosity of spirit."

PPL's 2021 United Way campaign included

more than \$2.5 million in contributions from employees and retirees. The PPL Foundation provided more than \$2.5 million in a dollar-for-dollar match of all employee and retiree giving. A record 140 employees also volunteered to lend a hand in the community during

the United Way's Day of Caring in September.

Separately, employees of PPL's Kentucky companies, Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company, are pledging dollars to non-profit agencies and organizations across the utilities' service territories.

Coupled with financial support from the LG&E and KU Foundation, the utilities' voluntary employee-giving campaign, Power of One, raised more than \$2 million in contributions for the fourth time in the company's history.

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## POLICE OFFICER TEST

The Lehigh County Police Testing Consortium and thirteen area agencies have entered into an agreement to conduct a cooperative testing process for the position of police officer. The physical and written exams will take place on **Saturday April 30th, 2022**. The agencies participating at this time include: Albutis Borough Police, Catasauqua Borough Police, Coplay Borough Police, Coopersburg Borough Police, Emmaus Borough Police, Fountain Hill Borough Police, Macungie Borough Police, Salisbury Township Police, Slatington Borough Police, South Whitehall Township Police, Upper Macungie Township Police, Upper Saucon Township Police, and Whitehall Township Police.

Interested applicants must register and complete the **Online Application Process** at <https://www.lehighcountypolicetest.com> as well as pay the non-refundable \$25.00 fee no later than **Friday April 22, 2022 at 12 pm.**

- No paper applications will be accepted.
- Open application begins February 25, 2022 at 0800AM

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## Lehigh Valley debut

Directing 'Color Purple' brings NYC actress to Civic

*Curtain Rises: Page B5*  
 BY KATHY LAUER-WILLIAMS  
 Special to The Press

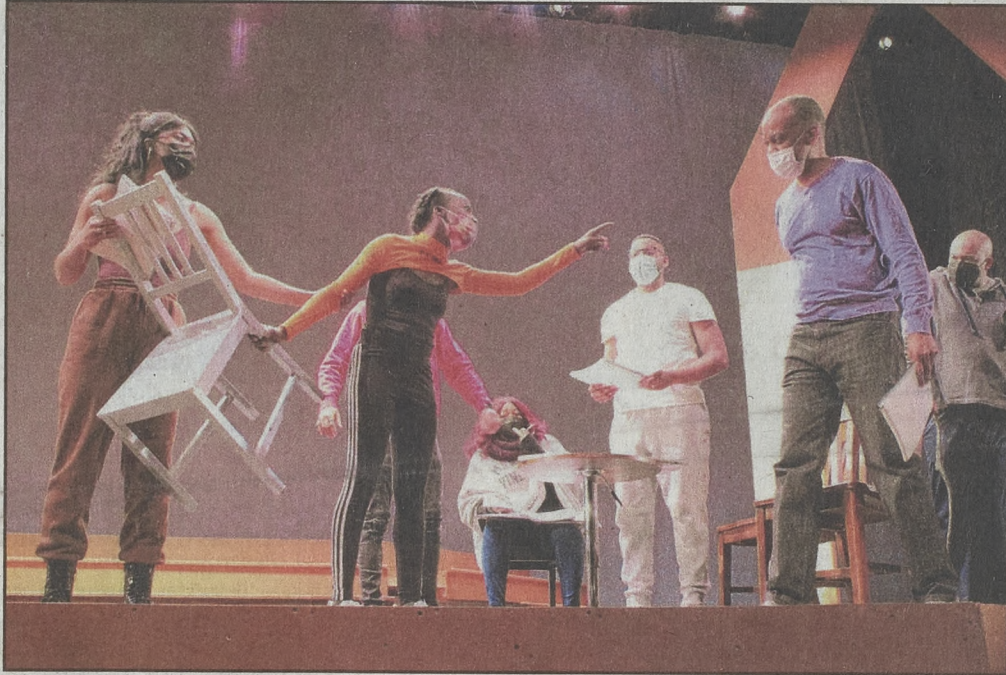
Fredi Walker-Browne doesn't mind the two-hour drive back and forth to the Lehigh Valley from her home outside New York City. She's been making the trek nearly daily through the past month to direct "The Color Purple" at Civic Theatre of Allentown.

"When you have a chance to work with Pulitzer Prize-winning material, you jump at it," says Walker-Browne.

The Lehigh Valley premiere of the Tony Award-winning musical based on Alice Walker's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel is Feb. 25 - March 13.

Civic Theatre of Allentown Artistic Director William Sanders says he was looking for a director for the "The Color Purple" and asked a mutual friend with New York connections for suggestions.

Says Walker-Browne in a phone interview, "A dear friend of mine asked me if I could recommend someone I know to direct 'The Color Purple' be-



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO BY NINA ELIAS ACE  
 Juanita-Renay Gray (Celie), center, and Jaciel Cordoba (Mister), right, "The Color Purple," Feb. 25-March 13, Civic Theatre of Allentown.

cause I was too busy, but I said if it's 'The Color Purple' I will direct it. I will make the time.

Sanders says he doubted that Walker-Browne, a New York actor who had played the role of Joanne in the Broadway hit "Rent," would want to come to Allentown to di-

rect the show, but "when we Zoomed, she was thrilled to do it." Sanders says.

Walker-Browne, an actor and director, says "The Color Purple" is a show she always wanted to direct.

The 1985 Steven Spielberg-directed film starred

Whoopi Goldberg as Celie, a young woman who survives abuse and finds a personal awakening through the support of other women over the course of 40 years.

"It's so cinematic," Walker-Browne says of the play. "It's like a hy-

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 Fredi Walker-Browne, left, director, "The Color Purple," with WFMZ-TV news anchor Jaciel Cordoba (Mister) on set of "The Color Purple," Feb. 25 - March 13, Civic Theatre of Allentown.

## WFMZ anchor anchors show

BY KATHY LAUER-WILLIAMS  
 Special to The Press

With a 3 a.m. wake-up call for his job, WFMZ TV news anchor Jaciel Cordoba is not on an easy schedule for theater rehearsals that run late into the night.

However, despite possible sleep deficits, the co-anchor of "69 News at Sunrise" and anchor for "69 News at Noon" is making his Lehigh Valley stage debut as a cast member of "The Color Purple," Feb. 25 - March 13, Civic Theatre of Allentown.

Cordoba is taking on the lead role of Mister, the abusive husband of main character Celie in the musical based on Alice Walker's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel.

Cordoba says he first thought about auditioning for the role when he was interviewing "The Color Purple" Civic production director Fredi Walker-Browne for WFMZ.

"I said, 'I'd be interested in being in the play,' and she told me to submit videos of me singing," Cordoba says in a phone See CORDOBA on Page B2

## READERS PICK THE OSCAR WINNERS

Nominations for the 94th Academy Awards have been announced. The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences will present the Academy Awards for 2021 outstanding film achievements, 8 p.m. (EST) March 27, Dolby Theatre, Hollywood and Highland Center, Los Angeles, televised live on the ABC-TV.

The Press Focus section again presents the "Readers Pick the Oscar Winners" contest. The person who picks the most correct number of Oscar recipients receives a \$50 Penn's Peak gift card, Roxy Theatre movie tickets, a Press prize package, and can have his or her photo published in the Focus section of the eight Press newspapers and websites.

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## 8 DAYS A WEEK

### Your look ahead at Valley Arts

**The Greg Funfgeld Family Concert:** "Dancing with Bach," 3 p.m. Feb. 27, Baker Hall, Zoellner Arts Center, Lehigh University, Bethlehem. The Bach Choir of Bethlehem and The Bach Festival Orchestra, under the direction of artistic director and conductor Greg Funfgeld, and students from The Lehigh Valley Charter Arts High School for the Arts, under the direction on Kim Maniscalco, Charter Arts Artistic Director of Dance, will present a lively and energetic program featuring the music of Johann Sebastian Bach and 20th century French composer Claude Bolling. The dancers will capture the spirit of the pieces with every step. The program includes: J.S. Bach, Choral movements from Cantatas 78 and 120, Badinerie from Second Orchestral Suite, Gigue from Third Orchestral Suite, "Crucifixus" and "Et resurrexit" from the Mass in B Minor, and Third movement from Second Brandenburg Concerto; Claude Bolling: Fugace from Jazz Suite for flute, piano and drums. Tickets: <http://zoellner.cas2.lehigh.edu/>; 610-758-2787

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## HIGH SCHOOL MUSICALS

ARTICLES AND PHOTOS BY ED COURRIER

With the spotlight on Lehigh Valley high school musicals on the road to the 20th annual Freddy Awards, the Lehigh Valley Press Focus section begins its annual preview series. The 2022 Freddy Awards ceremony is 7 p.m. May 26, State Theatre Center for the Arts, Easton, telecast live on WFMZ and wfmz.com. The list of 28 participating high schools, musicals, performances and ticket information: <https://freddy-awards.org/schools/>; 1-800-999-7828

### NORTHWESTERN 'Bye, Bye, Birdie'

"Bye, Bye, Birdie" rocks the stage, 7 p.m. March 3, 4, 5; 2 p.m. March 6, Northwestern Lehigh High School, 6493 Route 309, New Tripoli, Lynn Township.

The musical, with music by Charles Strouse, lyrics by Lee Adams, and book by Michael Stewart, opened on Broadway in 1960 and in 2009 as a Broadway revival.

"Bye, Bye, Birdie" was released as a movie in 1963 and in 1995 as a television production.

Rock star and Army conscript Conrad Birdie performs a farewell concert prior to reporting for duty in 1958. The satiric musical revolves around a desperate songwriter and his secretary, as well as a fan, her family and the teenager's jealous boyfriend.

"This is a toe-tapping, family musical with laughs, young love, and Ed Sullivan," says



From left: Kourtney Keim (Mae Peterson), Eli Johri (Albert Peterson), Charlize Bobbyn (Rose Alvarez), "Bye, Bye, Birdie," Northwestern Lehigh High School

Director Bill Mutimer, Northampton Community College Theater Department Chair and Artistic Producing Director, Northampton Community College Summer Theatre.

Assisting are Musical Director Chad Miller and Choreographer Tina Somes-Williams.

The original Broadway production was

nominated for eight Tony Awards, receiving four Tonys in 1961.

Production numbers include "A Lot of Livin' to Do," "An English Teacher," "The Telephone Hour" "Spanish Rose" and "Put On a Happy Face."

Tickets: <https://northwestern.tigers.org/>; 610-298-8661, ext. 2211

### MORAVIAN ACADEMY 'HMS Pinafore'

"HMS Pinafore," with its farcical captain and crew, sails to the Moravian Academy stage, 7:30 p.m. March 4, 5; 2 p.m. March 6, Dyer Auditorium, Moravian Academy, 4313 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem Township.

Gallant sailor Ralph Rackstraw falls in love with Captain Corcoran's daughter, Josephine, but is forbidden to marry her, as he is just a lowly British tar. Little Buttercup, Corcoran's former nanny, loves the Captain, but she is below his social rank. Can love between different social classes prevail under Britain's conventional social order?

"From the beloved team of Gilbert and Sullivan, 'HMS Pinafore' brings farce to the high seas, or at least a dock at Portsmouth. A soaring score, witty rapid-fire lyrics, romance and hilarity ensue on the silliest ship



From left: Alicia Gordon (Josephine Corcoran), Sofia Eckman (Ralph Rackstraw), Sebastian Holbrook (Captain Corcoran), Katy Shnier (Little Buttercup), "HMS Pinafore," Moravian Academy

in the Queen's Navy," says Director Jarrod Yuskas, Moravian Academy theater department chair.

Assisting Yuskas are Choreographer Deena Linn, Music Director Dr. Yvonne Robinson, Technical Director Rob Riker and Orchestra Conductor Dr. Rich Fanning.

With music by Arthur Sullivan and lyrics by

William S. Gilbert, the popular comic operetta premiered at London's Opera Comique in 1878.

Musical numbers include "We Sail the Ocean Blue," "A British Tar," "Little Buttercup" and "Never Mind the Why and Wherefore."

Tickets (Limited in-person, streamed): [www.moravianacademy.org/](http://www.moravianacademy.org/)



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brid between stage and film. I am delighted to have this opportunity. Directing is a natural offshoot of acting."

Walker-Browne was directing a show in the mid-1990s when she auditioned for a new show called "Rent."

"I had a piece in tech and I was on a ladder hanging blacks when I got the callback," Walker-Browne says. "It was so crazy. I went in apologizing for being all grunted up."

After singing Three Dog Night's "Joy to the World" with "Rent" playwright Jonathan Larson in the room, Walker-Browne was offered the role of Joanne Jefferson, a lesbian lawyer who is partner to performance artist Maureen Johnson played by Idina Menzel.

At the time, Walker-Browne says it was just another role in another show, one of many for which she auditioned.

However, she was impressed with Larson, who worked closely with her and Menzel on their big duet, "Take Me or Leave Me."

"He absorbed us and expressed us in that song," says Walker-Browne.

She says the Larson she knew was always sitting in the corner watching and taking notes.

"He was so close to Andrew Garfield's portrayal of him," she adds, referring to "Tick, tick ... Boom!" the 2021 film about Larson's semi-autobiographical musical and his life as an aspiring composer. Garfield is nominated for an Oscar as lead actor for his role as Larson in the "Tick, Tick" movie.

Walker-Browne says she realized during sitzprobe (one of the final rehearsals in theater) for "Rent" that "this is a hit."

"Rent" went on to be



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Fredi Walker-Browne, left, directs Jaciel Cordoba (Mister) on set of "The Color Purple," Feb. 25 - March 13, Civic Theatre of Allentown.

a huge success on Broadway, and won a Pulitzer Prize for Drama and a Tony Award for Best Musical. Larson died of an aortic dissection before the show's opening night.

"It was terribly bittersweet because of Jonathan," Walker-Browne says.

"Rent" was a game-changer for Walker-Browne, who was in the Broadway cast from 1996 to 1997.

"It opened all the doors," she says. "It is the reason the 15 of us [her co-stars in 'Rent'] can work and support ourselves in this industry."

Although some of her co-stars went on to bigger fame, Walker-Browne is just as happy behind the scenes directing.

"The fame thing is a crazy existence," she says. "I'm glad I can go to the mall. I just love my work and don't care which side it is on."

She has enjoyed directing "The Color Purple" at Civic, although there have been challenges.

"This has been one of the hardest things I had to cast," she says.

"Finding older men is the hardest, but, boy, did we luck out."

While WFMZ anchor Jaciel Cordoba was interviewing her for a story, he mentioned that he was interested in auditioning.

"I was like, 'The dude on the news wants to be in the show,'" she says.

"And then he can really sing. He has a beautiful voice."

Cordoba plays Mister, Celie's abusive husband.

Walker-Browne tapped New York actor NeLashee, with whom she had worked in "Ain't Misbehavin'" for the role of Sofia, the wife of Mister's son Harpo.

Lehigh Valley actor Juanita-Renay Gray plays the lead role of Celie.

Cast members include Krystal Danielle, Andrew Stewart, Christina Graham, Veronica Cummings, Justan Parker-Fields, Keith Willis, Abigail Ariza, Eric Thompson, Alexis Cooper, Katie Graham,

Janaya Morgan, Daniel Duch, John Carter, Emmitt Harris, Alexis Cooper, Audrey Dendy-Hightower, Diego Subero and Florence Taylor.

"The cast is great," says Walker-Browne. "My job is to tell the story. How do I visualize this story in the best possible way? It's a genius work and I want to get it as seamless as possible."

Walker-Browne says "The Color Purple" has a great score that is gospel-based but also pulls in elements from many other genres.

She says she is excited to see it all come together.

"There's a lot of moving parts," she says. "It's so interwoven. The whole rehearsal has been like a tech rehearsal."

Sanders says he's very pleased with the show.

"I'm very excited," Sanders says. "Fredi's wonderful and the show is selling well."

Walker-Browne also hopes to hold a workshop on professional skills for actors during the show's run at Civic. She plans to include student performers from Salsbury High School, which is presenting "Rent" March 10-13.

Next, Walker-Browne will be in the recording studio working on a new album which is a collection of protest songs about topics including systemic racism, income inequality, food insecurity and climate change.

**"The Color Purple," 7:30 p.m. Feb. 25, 26, March 3-5, 10-12; 2 p.m. March 6, 13, Civic Theatre of Allentown, Nineteenth Street Theatre, 527 N. 19th St., Allentown. Proof of immunization and face masks are required. Tickets: box office; www.civictheatre.com; 610-433-8903**

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interview. Cordoba went home and recorded himself on his phone in his living room singing a hymn and a Deniece Williams' tune.

"I knew she was looking for a Mister, but I never thought it would be me," Cordoba says.

Although Cordoba, an Illinois native, had performed in theater in high school and college, he has not been in a show locally since coming to the Lehigh Valley in 2003 to work at WFMZ.

"The role of Commander Harbison in 'South Pacific' was the most lines I ever had," Cordoba recalls. "But I enjoy talking at work."

Nevertheless, he says, the size of the role of Mister in "The Color Purple" is a little intimidating.

"Mister sings quite frequently," Cordoba says. "And he has a lot of lines, but not as many as Celie and Nettie."

On the other hand, the music is a more comfortable fit for Cordoba.

"I have sung in church all my life," he says. "I was in senior chorus in high school. I have always performed musically. Singing comes naturally to me. Acting is harder."

As an adult, Cordoba has sung in choir and served on praise teams at church, most recently at Greater Shiloh Church, Easton.

Cordoba even recruited the music director on his praise team, Daniel Duch, to audition for the show and now Duch is playing Mister's father.

Cordoba was very familiar with the story although he had never seen the musical.

"I saw the movie and read the book in the 1980s," he says. "Now I am rereading the book and listening to the songs from the Broadway show."

Although he was in-

spired by the story, Cordoba says his main motivation to join the cast was to "do something to get my mind off the isolation of pandemic."

"I was tired of not doing anything and this was a way to break out of it," he says. "January and February are the worst months of the year and this has been a great diversion."

Cordoba says he loves working with Walker-Browne.

"Fredi is very helpful and accommodating," he says. "It's like getting a master class in theater because I'm in this show with her."

Cordoba is fielding comments from friends and colleagues who say he's "too nice" to play the role of such a cruel man as Mister.

"People might not believe I can play mean," he says. "But I'm going to show a mean side. It's going to be intense."

So far, the most difficult aspect of being in "The Color Purple" is working around his very early morning schedule in which he co-anchors the news at 5 a.m. with Eve Russo.

After a particularly late night of rehearsal, Cordoba says he let himself sleep until 3:20 a.m.

"Every little minute counts," he says. "I'm just taking it one day at a time. But it's going good."

Cordoba is playing Mister on weekends when he doesn't have to be up for work.

On Thursdays, Mister will be played by Eric Thompson.

Cordoba says he's enjoyed working with the cast, most of whom he had never met before.

"It's a great group," he says. "The voices are crazy good. I've met so many people."

He hasn't ruled out future performances in the Lehigh Valley, but for now is focused on "The Color Purple."

"I'm just going with the flow," he says. "But I'm so glad I did it."

READERS PICK THE **OSCAR** WINNERS



This is the entry form for the Lehigh Valley Press Focus section "Readers Pick The Oscar Recipients Contest" for the 94th Academy Awards.

**LEAD ACTOR**

- Javier Bardem, "Being the Ricardos"
- Benedict Cumberbatch, "The Power of the Dog"
- Andrew Garfield, "Tick, Tick ... Boom!"
- Will Smith, "King Richard"
- Denzel Washington, "The Tragedy of Macbeth"

**SUPPORTING ACTRESS**

- Jessie Buckley, "The Lost Daughter"
- Ariana DeBose, "West Side Story"
- Judi Dench, "Belfast"
- Kirsten Dunst, "The Power of the Dog"
- Aunjanue Ellis, "King Richard"

**LEAD ACTRESS**

- Jessica Chastain, "The Eyes of Tammy Faye"
- Olivia Colman, "The Lost Daughter"
- Penelope Cruz, "Parallel Mothers"
- Nicole Kidman, "Being the Ricardos"
- Kristen Stewart, "Spencer"

**DIRECTOR**

- Kenneth Branagh, "Belfast"
- Ryusuke Hamaguchi, "Drive My Car"
- Paul Thomas Anderson, "Licorice Pizza"
- Jane Campion, "The Power of the Dog"
- Steven Spielberg, "West Side Story"

**SUPPORTING ACTOR**

- Ciaran Hinds, "Belfast"
- Troy Kotsur, "CODA"
- Jesse Plemons, "The Power of the Dog"
- J.K. Simmons, "Being the Ricardos"
- Kodi Smit-McPhee, "The Power of the Dog"

**BEST PICTURE**

- "Belfast"
- "CODA"
- "Don't Look Up"
- "Drive My Car"
- "Dune"
- "King Richard"
- "Licorice Pizza"
- "Nightmare Alley"
- "The Power of the Dog"
- "West Side Story"

**ANIMATED FEATURE FILM**

- "Encanto"  "Flee"  "Luca"
- "The Mitchells vs. The Machine"  "Raya and the Last Dragon"

CONTEST INSTRUCTIONS: Email Oscar Contest Entry Form to: jfisher@nonline.com; mail to: Jennifer Fisher, The Press, 1633 N. 26th St., Allentown, Pa. 18104; drop off at The Press offices, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Include name, address, telephone number, email (Information will not be published or shared.). One entry per person. Entry deadline: 5 p.m. March 25. In event of tie, earliest entry determines winner.

THE PRESS 17TH ANNUAL

*Student Poetry Project*

**Enter Student Poetry Project**

Submissions are now being accepted for the 17th annual award-winning Lehigh Valley Press Student Poetry Project.

In celebration of National Poetry Month in April, poems will be selected in each of the Elementary School, Middle School and High School categories. The first, second, and third place selections in each category will be published in the April 27 and April 28 Focus section in the eight Lehigh Valley Press newspapers and websites.

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

Three writers of the first-place poems will be invited to read their poems and be interviewed on "Lehigh Valley Arts Salon," 6:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. April 25, WDIY, Lehigh Valley Community Radio, 88.1 FM, www.wdiy.org.

The entry guidelines:

**1** The Student Poetry Project is open to Lehigh Valley elementary school, middle school and high school public, paro-

chial, private, charter, cyber and home-school students in the circulation areas of the Lehigh Valley Press newspapers: Salisbury Press, East Penn Press, Parkland Press, Northwestern Press, Whitehall-Coplay Press, Catasauqua Press, Northampton Press and Bethlehem Press.

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

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

**4** Each student may submit up to three poems, which must be his or her original composition. Each poem should be a separate entry. Individual poems should be at least 10 lines in length. However, students may submit up to three shorter poems on a single theme with a title, on a single page. Single poems shorter than 10 lines will not be accepted.

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

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

**7** Entries must be received (by U.S. Mail or email) by 5 p.m. March 18.

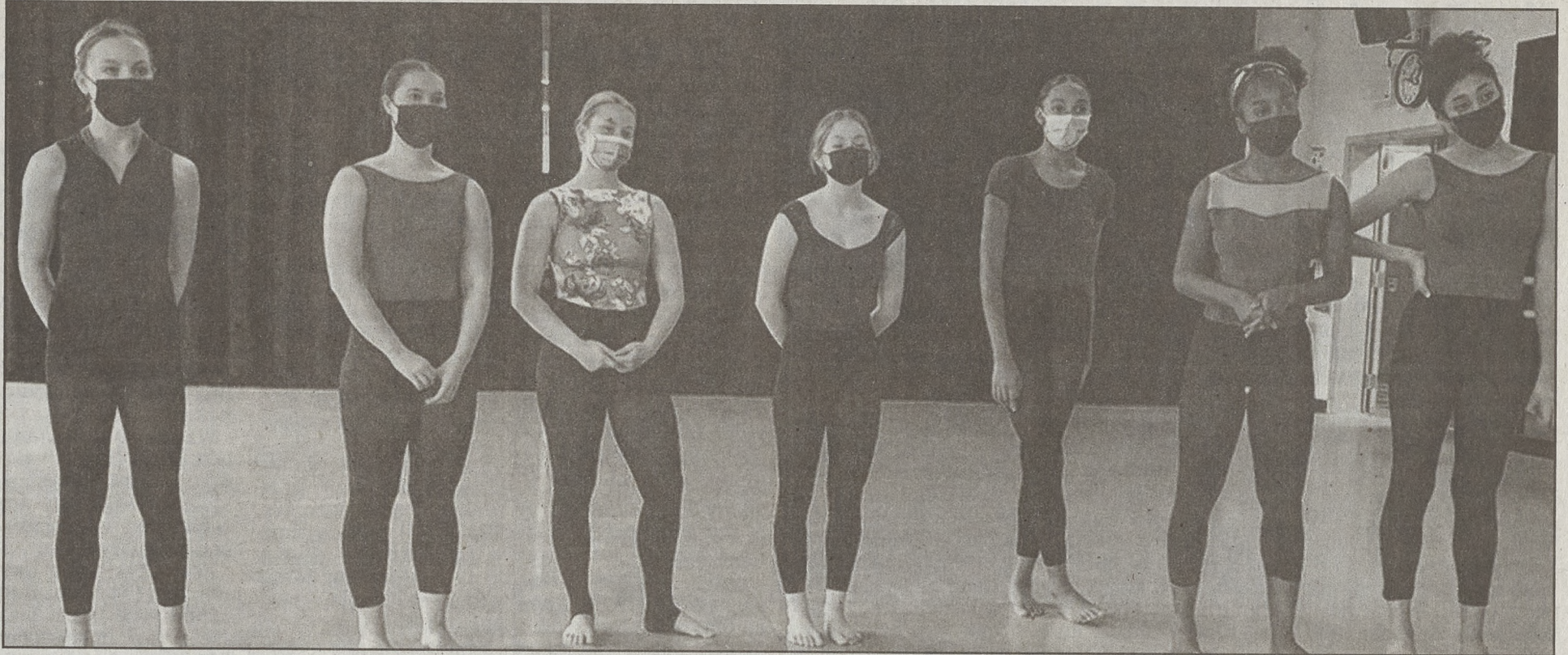
**8** Permission of a parent or guardian is required for a student's photo to be taken and published in the Focus section in the Lehigh Valley Press newspapers and websites.

**9** Copies of poems will not be returned.

**10** For ideas on teaching poetry: facebook.com/PoetryProjectContest/

Please follow the Poetry Project facebook page for a "Poem of the Week" and other information about poetry: https://www.facebook.com/PoetryProjectContest





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Lehigh Valley Charter High School of the Performing Arts dance students in rehearsal, in preparation for "The Greg Funfgeld Family Concert presents Dancing with Bach," 3 p.m. Feb. 27, Zoellner Arts Center, Lehigh University, Bethlehem.

## Bach Choir 'Family Concert' a collaboration with LV Charter Arts

BY PAUL WILLISTEIN  
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"Bicycling with Bach," "Mr. Bach Comes to Call," "Dancing with Bach."

The Bach Choir has been, ahem, thinking outside the Bach.

"Dancing with Bach" honors its progenitor with "The Greg Funfgeld Family Concert presents Dancing with Bach," 3 p.m. Feb. 27, Baker Hall, Zoellner Arts Center, Lehigh University, Bethlehem.

Greg Funfgeld, Bach Choir of Bethlehem Artistic Director and Conductor, and the Bach Choir and Bach Festival Orchestra will handle the music of Bach, and one non-Bach work in the "Family Concert."

Kim Maniscalco, Lehigh Valley Charter Arts Artistic Director of Dance, and Lehigh Valley Charter High School of the Performing Arts students, whom Maniscalco, along with Charter Arts dance faculty Amy Berry and Rebecca Moyer, will choreograph, will handle the dancing to Bach and to one non-Bach work in the "Family Concert."

It will be Funfgeld's final "Family Concert" as Choir artistic director. Funfgeld retires after the Bach Festival in May.

The "Family Concert" program is:

- J.S. Bach:
  - Choral movements from Cantatas 78 and 120
  - "Badinerie" from the "Second Orchestral Suite"
  - "Gigue" from the "Third Orchestral Suite"
  - "Crucifixus" and "Et resurrexit" from the "Mass in B Minor"
  - The audience will be invited to sing the "Dona nobis pacem" with The



Greg Funfgeld, Bach Choir of Bethlehem Artistic Director-Conductor

Choir and, after a brief rehearsal, everyone is to it as a three-part round or "canon."

• Third movement from "Second Brandenburg Concerto"

Claude Bolling:
 

- "Fugace" from "Jazz Suite for flute, piano and drums"

"So much of Bach's music is inspired by the dance," Funfgeld says. "In his musical writing, the dance forms are always in the back of his mind."

"There are literally thousands of pieces that have dance meters," Funfgeld continues in a phone interview. "And Bach in his youth learned to dance."

The "Gigue" from Bach's "Third Orchestral Suite" and the "Badinerie" from Bach's "Second Orchestral Suite," which are on the "Family Concert" program, are examples.

Maniscalco choreographs the Third movement from the "Second Brandenburg Concerto." Dancing are 10 students from Charter Arts'

ninth and 10th grades. Says Maniscalco in a phone interview:

"We started creating and playing with movement. We started walking, kind with regal walking and we got into some footwork."

"Bach wrote for court dances. Ballet came out of court dancing."

"Our goal was to not partner during the pandemic. It sort of has a partner feel to it."

"Greg [Funfgeld] talked directly to the students, very inspirationally, about the music they're dancing. 'Court-ning Joy' is the title of my piece. He talked about how joyful the piece is."

"As I choreographed it, we couldn't contain ourselves. We put in some big jumps and turns."

Moyer choreographs "Crucifixus" and "Et resurrexit" from the "Mass in B Minor."

Says Maniscalco, "It's about when Christ died and it's always dark and then bright and happy." Seven Charter Arts juniors and seniors are



Kim Maniscalco, Lehigh Valley Charter Arts Artistic Director of Dance

dancing.

Berry choreographs 20th-century French composer Bolling's "Fugace" from "Jazz Suite for flute, piano and drums." Eight Charter Arts juniors and seniors are dancing.

"It's very rhythmic and high-energy," Funfgeld says of the Bolling piece.

"I've seen these dancers twice in rehearsals," Funfgeld continues. "I think the kids are wonderful."

"We're dancing in front of the choir and the orchestra," Maniscalco says of the Baker Hall stage. "So, we taped out the size of the space on the studio floor."

"The first time they'll hear live music is the day of the concert," says Maniscalco.

There will be a dress rehearsal the morning of the concert in Baker. Student dancers have been rehearsing to recordings.

Of dancers performing to live music, Maniscalco says, "It's overwhelming in the best way. There's nothing

like live music. It's like this glorious moment."

Says Funfgeld, "Dancers love to perform with live music. So often they have to perform for recorded music."

Of the combination of dance and Bach, Funfgeld says, "It's a feast for all the senses. They help us to 'see' the music."

Dancers will be attired in beautiful costumes. The performance in Baker Hall will include professional stage lighting.

Maniscalco, Charter Arts director of dance for 20 years, says this particular "Dancing with Bach" program was postponed from 2021 because of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic shutdown.

"He [Funfgeld] asked us to be a part of his retirement year. I was so honored," says Maniscalco.

"You've got a choir and then the orchestra. And then you think about the history," continues Maniscalco.

"Greg told us the story about the 'Crucifixus' and 'Et resurrexit.' He

told us that the first time that the Mass in B Minor was performed in the U.S. was in Bethlehem by the Bach Choir. That gave me goosebumps: that the students will be part of that, performing in the same city as part of Greg's retirement.

"The Bach Choir and Orchestra are world-famous. They 'live' right down street from us [Charter Arts]."

The Bach Choir of Bethlehem, founded in 1898, gave the first complete American performances of Bach's Mass in B Minor in 1900 and Christmas Oratorio in 1901.

"The part about my job that I love is providing opportunities for the students to show them what the possibilities are. I've enjoyed all my community partnerships, especially the Bach Choir," says Maniscalco.

The Bach Choir of Bethlehem has collaborated with the Paul Taylor Dance Company and dancers from Muhlenberg College, DeSales University and Repertory Dance Theatre.

"It's always been a great joy. It just gives you a new take on the music," says Funfgeld of dancers and the music of Bach. "It's an inspiration to us."

"I think people have been dancing to Bach's music for decades and centuries," continues Funfgeld.

"The dances were a courtly thing in Bach's time. These ['Dancing with Bach'] are going to be more modern dances. I think it's going to be fantastic."

**Tickets:** www.BACH.org; 610-866-4382

### LCCC

Partnership streamlined with Bloomsburg U.

Students who are interested in pursuing a career in the field of electronics engineering technology have a streamlined path to receive their associate and bachelor's degrees, based on an agreement between Lehigh Carbon Community College and Bloomsburg University.

The transfer credits will also be accepted from Career and Technical Education centers, creating a seamless pathway from Lehigh Ca-

reer and Technical Institute, Carbon Career and Technical Institute and Schuylkill Technology Center to Bloomsburg University.

Students who apply for dual admission and graduate with their associate in applied science degree in electrical engineering technology from LCCC and fulfill BU's transfer requirements are guaranteed admission to Bloomsburg with at least full junior standing.

For information on the transfer program to Bloomsburg, contact Fauzia Graham, LCCC transfer advisor, at fgraham@lccc.edu, or Nada Veskovc, program faculty advisor, at nveskovc@lccc.edu.

### 'PLAYATHON'

40th annual event at mall in Whitehall

The Lehigh Valley Music Teachers Association holds its 40th annual "Playathon" music marathon fundraiser, Feb. 26 and 27, Lehigh Valley Mall, Whitehall.

Hundreds of local music students are to perform popular and classical music at locations throughout the mall, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Feb. 26 and 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Feb. 27.

Students solicit pledges from family and friends for the event, which

is the organization's sole fundraising source.

Proceeds fund music events in the Lehigh Valley, including music festivals at area colleges, master classes and recitals, performances, scholarships for students pursuing a music degree in college, and summer music camp scholarships.

The "Playathon" is sponsored by Jacobs Music which is providing three grand pianos for use during the event.

Sponsors include Utz Brands, Just Born, Wegmans and Provident Bank.

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## Protocol for an engagement party

Dear Jacquelyn,  
I am so excited to be hosting an engagement party for my daughter and soon to be son-in-law. This will be my first time throwing an engagement party, and I want to make sure things go as smoothly as possible. Can you please offer some guidance as to what I should keep in mind as I begin planning this special celebration?

**RESPECTFULLY YOURS**  
By Jacquelyn Youst



as perfect as possible for the couple. There are several things you need to keep in mind when planning this pre-wedding bash.

The engagement party can be as formal or relaxed as you'd like. Consider the mood you'd like to set. White tablecloths and candlelit dinners are classic for a reason, but if you can certainly consider a more casual get-together. Consider the formality and tone of the upcoming wedding and

let that be your guide.

When considering who to include on the guest list, the only rule of who to invite to an engagement party is they must be invited to the wedding.

Engagement parties should be intimate gatherings for those who are closest to the bride and groom. Immediate family members, close extended family, and the intimate circle of best friends should receive invitations to an engagement celebration.

Plan on mailing out the invitations around four to six weeks before the event to give guests proper notice. Even if it is a casual affair, invitations will help inform

guests of important details such as the type of attire that is preferred, whether or not to bring gifts, and how to RSVP.

This is a time of celebration and a fabulous engagement party will set the mood for all the festivities to follow.

Respectfully Yours,  
Jacquelyn  
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## A secret gift that pays dividends

As we observed Valentine's Day last week, it seemed to be more celebratory than in previous years.

Maybe that's because more people needed to lighten their lives after COVID-19 put a damper on our celebrations.

But not everyone was pleased with more emphasis on Valentine's Day.

"People don't understand how tough it is for those of us who are alone in life at a time when everyone seems to be celebrating being part of a couple," said one friend.

After our conversation I had the idea that Valentine's Day didn't have to be just for couples. It could also be a celebration of friendship.

I thought back to grade school when we gave Valentines to everyone in the class.

I remember making sure I didn't leave anyone out. That was easy because back then we bought valentines by the pack so we would have one for every classmate.

I remember saving what I considered to be my best valentines for my favorite classmates.

As I thought about all those old Valentine's memories, I had an idea. I was going to buy a big pack of valentines like we had in grade school for friends and those who probably wouldn't get a valentine.

I pictured a Valentine with a big head of lettuce saying, "Let us celebrate friendship."

The only problem was I couldn't find valentines that came in a pack. Nor could I find those funny sayings we used to exchange as kids.

It was a good idea but it fizzled out before it could become reality.

For my very special Valentine, the man I'm lucky enough to call husband, I did find the perfect Valentine.

But even a special card along with the added gift of his favorite Dutch apple pie doesn't seem adequate. Not with all he has been doing for me during the past few weeks.

When I needed surgery, my two daughters both said they were coming to Florida to help me through it. When COVID and bad weather canceled flights, my daughters couldn't come as planned.

My husband said he could take care of me without help. That's something he's never had to do.

We had a very late in life marriage that was based on having fun together. Our days were filled with kayaking, boating and dancing.

We never had any of the tough times many couples go through as they grow together as a couple. It was all fun and games.

Because of that I never knew how he would be in a crisis.

Here's what I learned when David was my sole support. It's not having fun that binds a couple to each other. It's swimming together through rough waters that builds a stronger relationship.

During a month of being together during one challenge after the oth-

**WARMEST REGARDS**

By Pattie Mihalik  
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er, our marriage deepened in scope. I learned the joy of knowing I had a husband I could count on.

While I wouldn't want to go through the surgery and physical challenges again, I am grateful that it strengthened our marriage.

For Valentine's Day I decided the best thing I could give David was love — love in the form of frequent compliments and a keen appreciation of all that he is.

The idea started back in August when author Gary Chapman challenged his radio listeners to complete the secret 30-day challenge he said was guaranteed to strengthen relationships.

The challenge was to give our partner a loving compliment for 30 days in a row. The second part of the challenge was not to share with others anything that would put our partner in a negative light.

It's called a "secret" because we shouldn't let our partner know we were doing it as part of a challenge.

The second part of the challenge was a bit harder. Without being aware of it, many of us complain about our spouse to others. I didn't think I did that until I monitored myself during the 30-day challenge.

Neither I nor any of my friends made it successfully through 30 days.

I'm trying it again and this time I'm sure I will do it. I already see how it changed my relationship with David by changing my behavior.

One example of my change was what happened when David asked me to go shopping with him. We were in the store less than 10 minutes when he pulled his Houdini disappearing act.

He said I should "wait there" by housewares while he made a quick stop at the pharmacy. But he never came back.

My first inclination was to ask why he wanted me to go shopping with him but he didn't stay with me.

Instead, when I finally found him I made a joke out of it instead of being angry as I would have been in the past. So we shared a laugh instead of harsh words.

There are several versions of the 30-day challenge on the Internet.

Pick one and try it. I think you'll be surprised at the positive outcome.

Think about this question. When was the last time you gave your partner a sincere compliment?

When we are just dating, we express our love and appreciation almost every day. Over time, that disappears.

We can revive our relationship in surprising ways with just a little adjustment.

Let me know if you pass the 30-day challenge.

Contact Pattie Mihalik at [newsgrl@comcast.net](mailto:newsgrl@comcast.net).

## Parenting style merits monitoring

Q: My 10 year-old son has a very good friend whose parents are very permissive. They let the kids hike in the woods unsupervised and leave them alone at their house when my son is visiting. I am not comfortable with this and have been making excuses why he cannot go over to his friend's house. How do I handle this without destroying my son's friendship?

**THE FAMILY PROJECT**

By Kathy Lauer-Williams



house and observe how he behaves," said panelist Wanda Mercado-Arroyo.

Try to get to know the other parents, the panel members suggested.

"Have a 'parent date' and learn about each other," added Mercado-Arroyo.

"Have an honest conversation with other parents. Say something like 'I'm a worry wart and over cautious.' Ask if they have the kids check in and explain you would be more comfortable if they checked in periodically," said panelist Denise Continenza.

"Perhaps the other parents can lighten you up and you can encourage the other parents to become more vigilant," Continenza said.

Daniels suggested inviting the whole family over for a conversation.

"You want it to be about sharing information rather than you dictating demands," Daniels said.

"But if you still don't feel comfortable, it's OK to say no to a 10-year-old because you don't agree with the rules in the other household. You are more concerned about supervision than the other parents. Tell your son, 'This is my issue, but this just isn't in my comfort level,'" Raftas said.

Your son doesn't have to give up his friend. He can still spend time with his friend by bringing him to your house where there is supervision, panel members agreed.

**This week's panel:** Pam Wallace, program coordinator, Project Child, a program of Valley Youth House; Chad Stefanak, school counselor; Denise Continenza, extension educator; Joanne T. Raftas, registered play therapist and counselor; Wanda Mercado-Arroyo,

former teacher and administrator, and Mike Daniels, LCSW, Psychotherapist.

Have a question?  
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## Autologous blood donation recommended

Q. Is it possible to donate your own blood to yourself?

**HEALTHY GEEZER**

By Fred Cicetti  
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Yes you can. This is called "autologous" blood donation. It's done in the weeks before non-emergency surgery. The blood is stored until the operation.

Autologous donation is most often employed in surgery on bones, blood vessels, the urinary tract and the heart when the likelihood of transfusion is high.

This form of blood donation is good for the patient, but it's beneficial to society, too.

People over the age of 69 require half of all whole blood and red blood cells transfused, according to the National Blood Data Resource Center (NBDRC). Giving blood to yourself cuts down on the demand for blood.

Typically, each donated unit of blood, referred to as whole blood, is separated into multiple components, such as red blood cells, plasma, platelets, and antihemophilic factor, for transfusion to individuals with differ-

ent needs.

With an aging population and advances in medical treatments requiring blood transfusions, the demand for blood is increasing. On any given day, more than 40,000 units of red blood cells are needed.

Volunteers donate almost all the blood transfused in the United States. Using screening and donation procedures, a growing number of blood banks have found blood donation by seniors to be safe and practical. If you're a geezer, you probably can help the cause.

To be eligible to donate blood, a person must be in good health. In general, donors must weigh at least 110 pounds. Most blood banks have no upper age limit. Donors are screened for AIDS, hepatitis, other diseases, and other possible problems.

Adult males have about 12 pints of blood in their circulation system and adult females have about nine pints. The donor's body replenishes the fluid lost from donation in about 24 hours. The red blood cells that are lost are generally replaced in a few weeks. Whole blood can be donated once every eight weeks.

What is the most common blood type?

The approximate distribution of blood types in the United States population is listed as follows. Distribution may be different for specific racial and ethnic groups.

- O Rh-positive: 39 percent
- O Rh-negative: 9 percent
- A Rh-positive: 31 percent
- A Rh-negative: 6 percent
- B Rh-positive: 9 percent
- B Rh-negative: 2 percent
- AB Rh-positive: 3 percent
- AB Rh-negative: 1 percent

In an emergency,

anyone can receive type O Rh-negative red blood cells, and type AB Rh-positive individuals can receive red blood cells of any ABO type. Therefore, people with type O- blood are known as "universal donors," and those with type AB+ blood are known as "universal recipients."

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# J Lo to the rom-com

**AT THE MOVIES**  
By Paul Willistein  
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With Valentines' Day in the rear-view mirror, it's not too early to plan for next year.

With the rom-com, a hallowed Hollywood tradition, it's Valentine's Day all year-round.

In contemporary American cinema, the rom-com, or romantic-comedy, is the land of the Jennifers, as in Jennifer Aniston, Jennifer Garner and Jennifer Lopez.

Aniston (TV's "Friends," 1994-2004) is noted for the rom-coms, including "She's Funny That Way" (2014), the last narrative feature directed by Peter Bogdanovich (1939 - 2022); "The Break-Up" (2006), opposite Vince Vaughn, and "Along Came Polly" (2004), opposite Ben Stiller.

Garner (TV's "Alias," 2001-2006) has numerous rom-coms to her credit, including "Ghosts of Girlfriends Past" (2009), "13 Going on 30" (2004) and "Catch Me If You Can" (2002).

Lopez, or J Lo as she's known, has starred in the rom-coms "Second Act" (2018), "The Back-Up Plan" (2010), "Monster-in-Law" (2005), "Maid in Manhattan" (2002) and "The Wedding Planner" (2001).

Other noteworthy rom-comers include Julia Roberts, "My Best Friend's Wedding" (1997), "Runaway Bride" (1999), "Pretty Woman" (1990), and Meg Ryan, "You've Got Mail" (1998), "Sleepless in Seattle" (1993), "When Harry Met Sally" (1989).

There's also: Kristen Wiig, "Bridesmaids" (2011), Emma Stone, "Easy A" (2010), Amanda Seyfried, "Mama Mia! (2008), Sandra Bullock, "The Proposal" (2009); Katherine Heigl, "The Ugly Truth," 2009; Drew Barrymore, "50 First Dates" (2004), and Kate Hudson, "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days" (2003).

It's not only females who are known for contemporary rom-coms. There are many starring males.

And of course, there are the classic romantic comedies of the Golden Age of Hollywood.

Rom-coms are a tried and true formula. And that's the problem. They've become formulaic. There are indications that the rom-com, the hallowed Hollywood tradition, is becoming a hollowed-out tradition.

Despite a seeming decline in rom-coms in theatrical release, Jennifer Lopez keeps plugging away.

In "Marry Me," Lopez stars as Kat Valdez, a popular singer who marries a stranger, Charlie (Owen Wilson), a math teacher, at her concert when she was supposed to marry another pop star (Maluma, a Latin pop and reggaeton sensation), but decides not to when she discovers he had an affair.

The wedding of Kat and Charlie goes viral and Fallon (as in "The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon").

The concert, by the way, looks a lot like a Madonna music video ("Papa Don't Preach" meets "Material Girl").

The movie breaks into song frequently whenever the plot drags (also frequently) with Lopez singing, which is quite enjoyable.

There's even a vinyl record spinning Robert Goulet singing "If Ever I Would Leave You" (from the Lerner and Loewe musical, "Camelot").

There's a subplot pertaining to Charlie and his rapport with his daughter Lou (Chloe Coleman).

Sarah Silverman, as a friend of Charlie, helps propel the plot, as do Kat Valdez's assistants (John Bradley, Michelle Buteau).

Kat Coiro (director, "A Case of You," 2013; "And While We Were Here," 2012; "Life Happens," 2011) directs from a screenplay by John Rogers ("Transformers," story, 2007; "Catwoman," screenplay, 2004; "American Outlaws," 2001), Tami Sagher (TV's "Inside Amy Schumer," 2015-2016) and Harper Dill ("The Mindy Project," 2012-2013) based on the graphic novel by Bobby Crosby and Remy "Eisu" Mokhtar.

The screenplay makes much use of social media, entertainment jargon, media frenzy, and fandom in the plot. It also provides a lot of behind-the-scenes looks at show business.

The film is a guilty pleasure in terms of glimpses into a pop star's lifestyle and the fantasy realm of a fan meeting his or her idol and possibly dating or marrying.

Lopez has a very naturalistic acting style that serves her well.

Wilson has a good rapport with Lopez. His vocal intonation reminds me of the late Dwayne Hickman (May 18, 1934 - Jan. 9, 2022) of TV's "The Many Loves of Dobie Gillis" (1959 - 1963).

"Marry Me" joins the



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Jennifer Lopez, Owen Wilson, "Marry Me."

list of rom-coms for Lopez, who single-handedly seems to be keeping them going.

If you're a fan of J-Lo, rom-coms and the promise of romantic love, "Marry Me" may be the film for you, and your significant other.

After all you don't have to wait until next year's Valentine's Day to see it. With the rom-com, Valentine's Day can be every day.

"Marry Me," MPAA rated PG-13 (Parents Strongly Cautioned. Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13.) for some language and suggestive material; Genre: Romance, Comedy, Music; Run time: 1 hour, 52 minutes. Distributed by Universal Pictures.

**Credit Readers Anonymous:** "Marry Me" uses the Poconos as a punch line. "At my last birthday, I was at a conference in the Poconos," says Charlie, to which Kat replies, in effect, "I have a lot to measure up."

**Theatrical Movie Box Office, Feb. 18-20:** "Uncharted," starring Tom Holland and Mark Wahlberg in an action movie based on the video game, opened at No. 1 for the Presidents' Day weekend, with \$44.1 million, in 4,275 theaters, as "Dog," starring Channing Tatum, opened at No. 2 with \$15.1 million in 3,677 theaters.

3. "Spider-Man: No Way Home," starring Tom Holland, moved up one place, \$7.6 million, in 2,956 theaters, \$770.5 million, 10 weeks. "No Way Home" is the third highest-grossing film of all time, having passed "Avatar" (2009).

4. "Death on the Nile" dropped three places from its one-week cruise at No. 1, with \$6.2 million, in 3,280 theaters, \$24.9 million, two weeks. 5. "Jackass Forever" dropped three places, \$5.2 million, in 3,071 theaters, \$46.7 million, three weeks. 6. "Marry Me," starring J Lo and Owen Wilson, dropped three places,

\$3.6 million, in 3,643 theaters, \$16.8 million, two weeks. 7. "Sing 2" dropped one place, \$2.8 million, in 2,476 theaters, \$147.3 million, nine weeks. 8. "Scream" dropped one place, \$1.9 million, in 1,907 theaters, \$77 million, six weeks. 9. "Blacklight," starring Liam Neeson, \$1.7 million in 2,772 theaters, \$7 million, two weeks. 10. "The Cursed," opening, \$1.7 million, in 1,687 theaters.

*Box office information from Box Office Mojo as of Feb. 20.*

**Unreel, Feb. 25:**

**"Mothering Sunday,"** R: Eva Husson directs Odessa Young, Josh O'Connor, Colin Firth and Olivia Colman in the Romance Drama. A maid in post-World War I England wants to meet a man before he gets married.

*Movie opening date information from Internet Movie Database as of Feb. 20.*

# Munopco will 'Rock'; Crest has 'Good Man'

**CURTAIN RISES**



By Kathy Lauer-Williams

Two musicals about youth are opening in the Lehigh Valley.

Munopco Music Theatre presents "School of Rock: the Musical" Feb. 26 - March 6, Scottish Rite Cathedral, 1533 Hamilton St., Allentown.

Cedar Crest College Performing Arts Department stages "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" Feb. 25-27, Samuels Theatre, on the west Allentown campus.

The feel-good musical inspired by the "Peanuts" comic strip, first penned by Charles Schulz in 1950, has a cast of 13 actors, including Cedar Crest and Northampton Community College students and community members.

"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" brings



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO CEDAR CREST COLLEGE

Anthony Rizzuto (Charlie Brown), "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," Feb. 25-27, Cedar Crest College, Allentown.

the beloved comic's characters to life with tuneful songs and familiar scenes from the funnies.

Clark Gesner's classic musical, which premiered in 1967, features the whole gang, including bossy Lucy (Carter Reichard), who is hopelessly in love with pia-

no prodigy Schroeder (Cameron Kunsman), who doesn't give her the time of day; perfectionist Sally (Mackenzie Lewis), who mocks blanket-toting Linus (Todd Crosllis); Snoopy (Ashlyn Auriemma) and his antics on his doghouse, and the "blockhead" himself, Charlie Brown

(Anthony Rizzuto).

Vignettes span the months from Valentine's Day to Beethoven Day, from wild optimism to utter despair with songs that include the title tune and "Happiness," "The Kite" and "My New Philosophy."

The revised version includes additional music and lyrics by Andrew Lipa and dialogue by Michael Mayer.

The ensemble includes Madison Anusky, Lukas Barnett, Zaria Berry, Joanne Holler, Mark Ingram, Corrine McClain and Deven Windisch.

JoAnn Wilchek-Bassist directs, Brian M. Foley is music director and Joanellyn Schubert is choreographer.

Performances are 7 p.m. Feb. 25; 1 and 6 p.m. Feb. 26, and 1 p.m. Feb. 27.

Audience members must wear face masks.

**Tickets:** [www.cedarcrest.edu/stage](http://www.cedarcrest.edu/stage), 610-606-4608

"School of Rock" is a rock musical with music

by Andrew Lloyd Webber, based on the 2003 cult film of the same name that starred Jack Black.

The musical is about Dewey Finn (Andrew Mark Schaffer), an out-of-work rock singer and guitarist who pretends to be a substitute teacher at a prestigious prep school.

After noticing musical talent in his students, Dewey forms a band of fifth-graders in an attempt to win the upcoming "Battle of the Bands" contest.

The show was notable on Broadway for its use of pre-teen performers who could play their own instruments.

In Munopco's productions, the young musicians are age 7 and up and include Laila Asghar, Khyllah Eure, Ryan Pakzad, Nyrie Washburn, Ella Bruch, Abby Carrig, Shy Torres, Noah Saborsky, Keane Carrington, Samantha Rodriguez, Laney Levin, Kayla Carrington, Jacob Miller,

William Saborsky, Taylor Green, and Nevaeh Nuber-Laubach.

The rock-style score includes three songs from the original film as well as 12 new songs composed by Lloyd Webber with lyrics by Glenn Slater ("Tangled," "Sister Act").

The cast of more than 30 includes teachers played by Melissa Dorflinger, Colton Boyd and Heather LaBelle. Also in the cast: Darice Hoffman, Jim Hoffman, Jesse Saborsky, Amy Saborsky, Billy Ehrlacher, Gloria Milheim, Beth Hoppes, Lillian Rodriguez, Amy Green, Chad Miller and Jay David.

Director is Becky Saunders, choreography is by Darice Hoffman and music direction by Chad Miller.

Performances are 7:30 p.m. Feb. 26 and March 4, 5, and 2 p.m. Feb. 27 and March 6.

Audience members must wear face masks.

**Tickets:** <https://www.munopco.org>; 610-437-2441

# LVHN - EMS organized

Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) has formed a singular Emergency Medical Service (EMS) organization called Lehigh Valley Health Network - Emergency Medical Services (LVHN - EMS).

LVHN - EMS is comprised of West End Community Ambulance Association (WECAA), Effort, Monroe County, the former American Patient Transport System (APTS), Hazleton, and LVHN - MedEvac, Lehigh County.

While the community may see a new look of vehicles and branding, all three entities will retain the same staff and continue to provide the same services from the same locations in Luzerne, Monroe and Lehigh counties and surrounding communities. This includes CPR training and standby services for special events.

According to Bob Begliomini, Senior Vice President, LVHN, the Jan. 1 transition allows expansion of services

and resources.

"Under LVHN - EMS, we plan to bolster our facilities' existing capabilities, while still allowing them to maintain the hometown feel they have always had," said Begliomini.

"This will be a smooth transition, as all three entities have always prided themselves on providing the highest quality care to our patients, and that will remain our priority," Begliomini said.



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Lehigh Valley Health Network - Emergency Medical Services has been formed.



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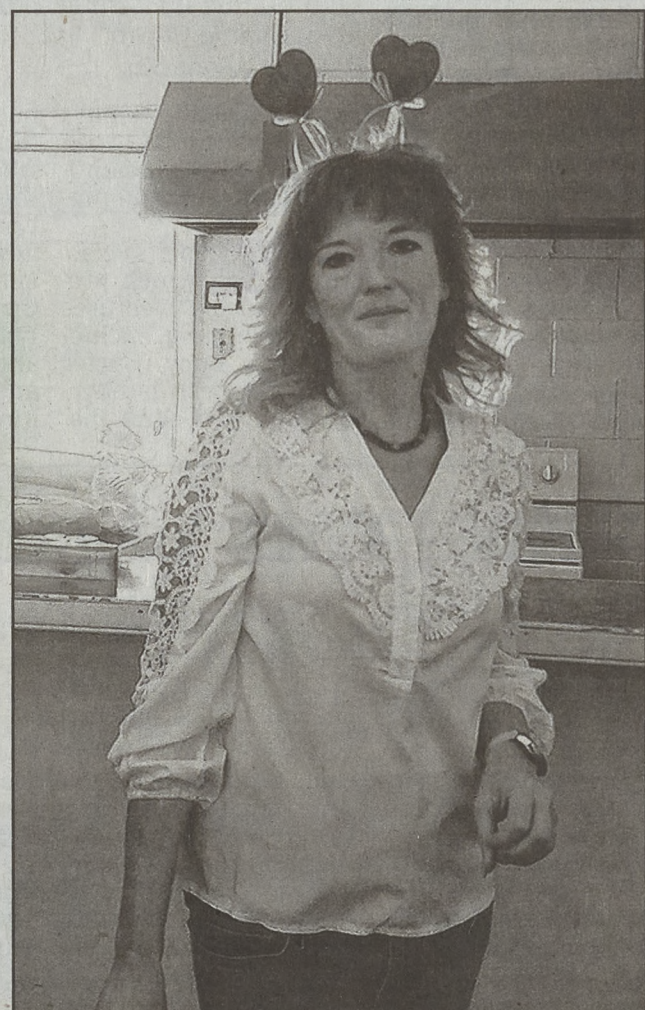
## Whitehall senior center hosts Valentine's Day gathering

A group wears red and participates in activities Feb. 14 during a Lunch with Cupid event at Whitehall Active Community Center, 2301 Pine St.

PRESS PHOTOS BY JIM WEBER



Ron Reaman and Shirley Connor have fun at the event. Participants were asked to bring a nonperishable food item to be donated to the Whitehall Food Pantry.



Event organizer Andrea Shumack dons her festive headwear for the occasion.



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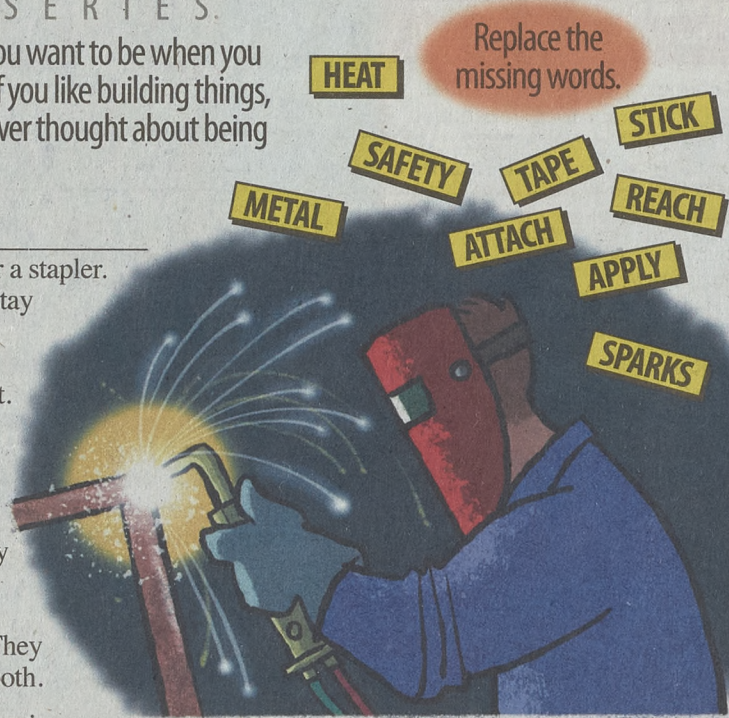
# WELDING

What do you want to be when you grow up? If you like building things, have you ever thought about being a welder?

A welder "welds" pieces of metal together. When you want to \_\_\_\_\_ two pieces of paper together you could use glue, \_\_\_\_\_ or a stapler. But how do you get two pieces of metal to \_\_\_\_\_ and stay together? It takes some intense heat!

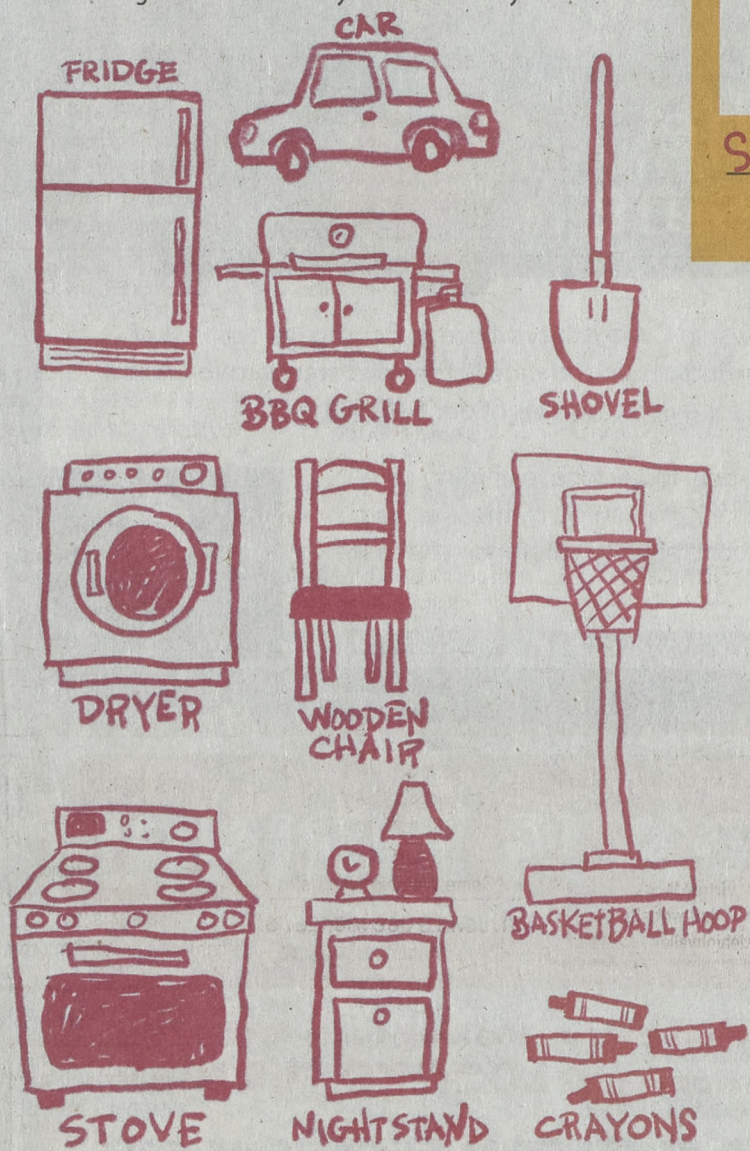
Welders work with \_\_\_\_\_ and flames or very hot equipment. It takes a lot of heat to melt \_\_\_\_\_. A **blowtorch** is aimed at metal to \_\_\_\_\_ high heat to melt metal. Sometimes, when watching a welder work you will see him or her surrounded by a shower of \_\_\_\_\_. Those sparks are little pieces of melted metal! They can burn clothing and skin, so \_\_\_\_\_ is very important in welding.

To be safe, welders wear special jackets, gloves and work shoes. They wear a helmet with a safety visor or safety glasses — sometimes both. They also make sure to have a fire extinguisher within \_\_\_\_\_.



## Welding Around Home

Wendy wants to be a welder someday like her Uncle Wesley. She drew pictures of some of the things she thinks required welding in order to be built. Cross out the things that were not welded together. Have a family member check your work.



## How can I become a welder?

Welders learn their trade by working in an apprenticeship training program. Circle every other letter to discover what an **apprentice** is.

**S** **D** **O** **K** **M** **L** **E** **V** **O** **N** **J** **E** **G** **W** **F** **H** **B** **O** **G** **L** **A** **E** **X** **A** **N** **R**  
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## Being a Welder is a Good Job!

Replace the missing vowels to find out the many ways being a welder is a good career.

- Welders h\_l\_p p\_\_ple by making th\_ngs m\_de with m\_t\_l be str\_ng and s\_fe.
- The p\_y is v\_ry g\_d.
- The w\_rk w\_ld\_rs do touches m\_st ev\_ryb\_dy's lives.
- There is a sh\_rtage of w\_ld\_rs so th\_re are m\_ny j\_b\_penings.

## Extra! Extra! Hot Hotter Hottest!

Look through the newspaper for pictures or words that go with each of the words **hot**, **hotter**, and **hottest**. Paste these onto a blank sheet of paper and label each one. Repeat this activity for more adjectives such as cold, small, short, tall, funny, and other adjectives that can be used to compare nouns.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Understand and identify antonyms.

Choose a story in this newspaper. Cut out the headline or write the headline in the box below.

WHY did the editor of this newspaper choose to send a reporter to find out more about this event?

WHY did this event happen?

What other questions would YOU ask people involved in this event?

Standards Link: Reading/Writing: Draw evidence from informational text.

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## Kid Scoop Puzzler

### TOOL BOX TRIVIA: BLOWTORCH

A blowtorch produces a very, very hot flame to make heat that allows a welder to mold and cut metal. It's a dangerous tool and takes training and special safety equipment to use safely.

**Blowtorch** is a compound word—a word created by combining two smaller words. Draw lines to weld pairs of words to create compound words.

BLUE SNOW CUP BALL  
WALL BUTTER TEA HERO BIRD  
SUPER MILK PAPER

## Double Double Word Search

BLOWTORCH SHORTAGE  
INTENSE TRAINING WELDER SPARKS SAFETY HELMET GLOVES VISOR METAL HEAT BURN MELT TOOL

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

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

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

## Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **SURROUND**

The verb **surround** means to enclose on all sides.

The players **surrounded** Devon in celebration when he scored a goal.

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

## FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

### Welders in the News

Look through the newspaper for images that show things a welder might have made. Find 10 images and then group them into categories based on similarities. Come up with a name for each category.

Standards Link: Write descriptively comparing past and present.

### What kind of music do welders like best?

ANSWER: Heavy metal!

## Write On! The Magic Key

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# 'Black Vision' for Black History Month at Arthaus

"Black Vision" at Arthaus, features the artwork of Al Johnson, Berrisford Boothe and Charles F. Stonewall through March 7 in the community art space, 645 W. Hamilton St., Allentown.



By Ed Courrier

"These are three Black visionaries making their own history, while augmenting Black History Month and the history of this area," says guest curator Femi J. Johnson.

Bold, blade-like geometric shapes appear to pirouette against a blended blue background in "To Dance with Balance" (2017; mixed media on canvas, 23 in. x 36 in.) by Al Johnson. "I've been using it to inspire me when I come into my studio," the abstract artist says about "that one piece that keeps me going."

"I am finding new freedoms of expression through a spiritual connection," writes Johnson about his "soul-based" artwork.

Johnson has a studio at the Banana Factory.

"I only work on circles. It is a primal geometry of myth, human interaction and phenomenological philosophy,"

says Berrisford Boothe about his two pieces.

"Both of these paintings are dedicated to the memory of my recently deceased brother Ras Ibrak," says Boothe.

"Y Mas Gan" (2022; acrylic on canvas, 20 in. diameter) contains geometric shapes that push against and flow with the circular canvas. The yellows, oranges, violets and blues in these spaces convey a feeling of warmth and a sense of coolness. Intricate organic patterns fill these geometric shapes.

Boothe says of the title, "In the ancient Amharic language of Ethiopia 'Igziabeher Yim Mas Gan' roughly translates to 'Let H.I.M. Be Praised.'"

"Ras Inna Zion" (2022; acrylic on canvas, 20 in. diameter) while similar in design is rendered in hues of blue and violet which give it a sense of coolness and calm.

According to the art-

ist, the Hebrew word "Zion" in the painting's title "Ras Inna Zion," stands for a "place of rest and repose" in Rastafarian.

Rastafarianism is a Jamaican religion and social movement.

"I 'misused' acrylic emulsions to create resists, encourage bleeds, spotting, and with a dancing gestural hand, create sinewy compositions that are then dried and affected to achieve what my son Quinn refers to as 'subtle optical representations and references of rippling water or surfaces,'" conveys Boothe in his statement.

Boothe is a professor of art at Lehigh University and has an art studio in Easton.

Complementing these colorful abstract works is the black and white photography of Charles F. Stonewall.

"I like to make images that are interracial," says the Allentown-based photographer about creating photos that could be viewed as "the opposite of the chaos and negative things going on out there."

"Choreograph" (2013; photographic print, 23 in. x 30 in.) skillfully cap-



PRESS PHOTO BY ED COURRIER

From left, Charles Stonewall, Al Johnson, Berrisford Boothe and Femi J. Johnson, "Black Vision" exhibit opening reception, Arthaus, Allentown.

tures two dancers, one Black and one White, gracefully passing in midair. This was taken with a digital camera when Stonewall worked with a dance company near Kansas City, Kan. "They were so professional, they jumped only three times," says Johnson about the promotional shot they were working on. "On the third time, I caught it."

At the time, Stonewall taught at Johnson Coun-

ty Community College in Kansas.

Another photograph, "Luminary," is of Stonewall's maternal grandmother. As his "patron," she purchased his first camera for him when he was a 17-year-old. Taken with a Praktica camera loaded with 120 film, her portrait is powerfully emotional.

Stonewall was a professional photographer at Pennsylvania Power and Light, Allentown. He

later worked as an educational consultant and photographer at Sprint World Headquarters in Kansas.

Arthaus is a partnership between RE:find and the Allentown Arts Commission.

**Arthaus, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Tuesday - Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday. allentownarts.com; 610-841-4866**

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**Conceptis Sudoku** By Dave Green

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

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**

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

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PUBLIC NOTICE BIDS WANTED

Sealed electronic bids will be received by the Lehigh County Schools Joint Purchasing Board, until 2:00 p.m., March 18, 2022 for the following:

Art Supplies

All bids will be exclusively received and processed through the Eschoolmall easyBid application process at www.eschoolmall.com; the failure to follow this process (no paper submissions will be considered) will disqualify the bid submission.

Patricia T. Bader LCSJPB Board Chairperson Feb. 16, 23, Mar. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE AUDITOR'S REPORT

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Financial Statement of Northwestern Lehigh School District from the auditors for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021, was filed on January 13, 2022, in the office of the Prothonotary, Lehigh County Courthouse, Clerk of Judicial Court, Civil Department, 455 W. Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA 18101-1614, and will be confirmed absolutely unless an appeal is taken therefrom within thirty (30) days after the filing thereof.

Feb. 16, 23, March 2

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Upper Macungie Township Board of Supervisors has scheduled a Public Hearing on Thursday, March 3, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031.

Feb. 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is given that the following Ordinance shall be considered, and if appropriate, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Upper Macungie Township at its regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Thursday, March 3, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031.

Ordinance #2022-03: Proposing to amend the Township of Upper Macungie Code of Ordinances, Chapter 13 (Licenses, Permits, and General Business Regulations) to add new regulations requiring plumbers and electricians to be licensed, as set forth more fully in the body of the ordinance.

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

Kalman Sostarecz Township Secretary Feb. 23

PUBLIC NOTICE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids for the CHESTNUT CIRCLE STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT will be received electronically via the PennBid Program by Alburts Borough, until 12:00 p.m. local time on March 16, 2022. At 2:30 pm the bids will be received by the Borough from Pennbid and read publicly.

All project documents and details are available at no cost on PennBid (www.pennbid.net)

A pre-bid conference will be held at 1:00 p.m. local time on March 3, 2022 at 260 Franklin St, Alburts, PA 18011. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is strongly encouraged, but not mandatory.

Each bidder is required to bid on the total project. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond or certified check made payable to "Alburts Borough" in the amount of 10% of the total bid. The successful bidder shall provide a performance bond or certified check to the municipality in the amount of 100% of the contract within 20 days after the contract is awarded.

Bid security in the amount of 10% of the total bid shall be furnished in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

Alburts Borough hereby reserves the right, which is understood and agreed to by all bidders, to refuse and reject any or all bids submitted, and also reserves the right to waive any informality in bids received.

Feb. 23, Mar. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids for the FRANKLIN STREET MULTI-MODAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT will be received electronically via the PennBid Program by Alburts Borough, until 12:00 p.m. local time on March 23, 2022. At 2:30 pm the bids will be received by the Borough from Pennbid and read publicly.

All project documents and details are available at no cost on PennBid (www.pennbid.net)

A pre-bid conference will be held at 1:00 p.m. local time on March 10, 2022 at 260 Franklin St, Alburts, PA 18011. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is strongly encouraged, but not mandatory.

Each bidder is required to bid on the total project. Each bid must be accompanied by a bid bond or certified check made payable to "Alburts Borough" in the amount of 10% of the total bid. The successful bidder shall provide a performance bond or certified check to the municipality in the amount of 100% of the contract within 20 days after the contract is awarded.

Bid security in the amount of 10% of the total bid shall be furnished in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

Alburts Borough hereby reserves the right, which is understood and agreed to by all bidders, to refuse and reject any or all bids submitted, and also reserves the right to waive any informality in bids received.

Feb. 16, 23

Renea Flexer, Asst. Township Manager/Secretary Feb. 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE

Lower Macungie Township will receive sealed bids for its 2022 Mauffair Drive Drainage Improvements Project. The project includes but not limited to the removal of existing storm sewer, pavement, the installation of High Density Polyethylene Pipe (HDPE), endwall, storm manhole, storm inlets, rip-rap swale, emergency access, curb and paving.

Copies of the Specifications and Bid Forms will be available at no cost on PennBid, available at https://pennbid.procurement.com beginning February 11, 2022. Sealed bids will be received until 10:00 AM (prevailing time) on March 18, 2022. Bids results will be made available on PennBid after bid opening.

Each bid must be accompanied by Bid Security made payable to Lower Macungie Township, in an amount of ten percent (10%) of the Bid price in the form of a certified or bank check, or a Bid Bond issued by a surety meeting the requirements stated in the bid documents.

Performance Bonds will be required from the successful bidder in the full amount of the annual contract price as stated in the bid documents. This project is subject to minimum wage rates in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act and the Public Works Employee Verification Act.

Renea Flexer, Asst. Township Manager/Secretary Feb. 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE

T-Mobile proposes to modify an existing facility (new tip heights 127') on the smokestack at 75 W 21st St, Northampton, PA (20220168). Interested parties may contact Scott Horn (856-809-1202) (1012 Industrial Dr., West Berlin, NJ 08091) with comments regarding potential effects on historic properties.

Feb. 23

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

Feb. 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the return of the Tax Claim Bureau for the sale of properties for delinquent taxes conducted on September 15th, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. at the Cedar Crest College, Allentown, Pennsylvania, was filed with the Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County and confirmed nisi on February 14, 2022 filed with the Clerk of Courts to No. 2021-TX-41.

Objections or exceptions hereto may be filed by an owner or lien creditor within thirty (30) days from the Order of February 14, 2022 otherwise the return will be confirmed absolutely.

Elite Revenue Solutions, LLC, agent for Lehigh County Tax Claim Bureau Feb. 23

PUBLIC NOTICE Notice to Bidders

Sealed Proposal will be received by the Board of Commissioners of Lower Macungie Township, of Lehigh County, on or before 10:00 AM March 21, 2022 for the GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT. Each Bid must be accompanied by Bid security made payable to Lower Macungie Township in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid price for the individual contract. Bid forms are available at the Township Building, 3400 Brookside Rd, Macungie, PA 18062 for a non-refundable fee of \$5.00.

Feb. 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given by the Board of Supervisors of Lynn Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, that it is their intention to consider and act upon proposed Ordinance No. 22-01 entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LYNN TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA RECOMMENDING STRUCTURES TO HAVE A KEY LOCK BOX INSTALLED ON THE EXTERIOR OF THE STRUCTURE FOR FIRE SAFETY PURPOSES AND PROSCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF" at a public meeting to be held on March 10, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Lynn Township Municipal Building located at 7911 Kings Highway, New Tripoli, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.

Briefly summarized, the proposed Ordinance establishes definitions; authorizes and recommends owners of residential, commercial or industrial structures to install and maintain a key lock box; sets forth requirements for the installation and maintenance of a key lock box; establishes the required contents of a key lock box; and proscribes penalties for violation of the Ordinance.

A certified copy of this Ordinance is on file with the Lynn Township Secretary and may be inspected by the public during normal business hours. In addition, a true and correct copy of this Ordinance has been supplied to this newspaper.

Feb. 23

PREMIER Crossword

LEGAL THRILLERS ACROSS

- 1 Highest roll of a single die
4 Peak in Thessaly
8 Freaks out
15 Subjective paper piece
19 Never dying
21 Kind of cherry named for its shape
22 sci. (coll. major)
23 Scaled-down symphony group [1994]
25 Mallorca, por ejemplo
26 "King" primate
27 Writer Ferber
28 Anti-bias job agcy.
29 Gown fabric
30 Program interacting with a remote server [1993]
34 Bygone times
38 Nurtured
39 Kids' song with French lyrics
40 to go (gung-ho)
41 "It's ch-chilly!"
42 Whimpered like a baby
44 Place to disclose sins [2010]
48 Coinage for something with no name
53 Beginning on
54 "To — much is given ..."
55 Nantes' river
57 Sets of points on graphs
58 Shallowest Great Lake
60 Waltz or tango [1997]
63 Itinerant band member, say
66 State after wedlock
68 Having more seepage
69 Panels that may reverse decisions [2008]
71 Melody
72 Jungle roarer
73 Ouzo flavorer
74 Exact lookalike
76 Brand of rodent killer
80 Horse-man of myth
83 Greeting act conveying confidence [1991]
86 First-rate
88 Flub it up
89 Actress Shire
90 Plant snugly
94 — cone
95 Junk email sender
97 Samoan peak famous for trapping clouds [1995]
101 Italian port
102 Exactly
103 Money won in a game of dreidel
104 Claudius I's successor
108 Getting the job done

15x18 crossword grid with numbers 1-119 indicating starting points for clues.

- 109 What the first word of each of seven answers in this puzzle is, when preceded by "The"
113 Stun with a charge
114 Canceled by crossing off
115 Revising, as text
116 Bishops' jurisdictions
117 Prescription amounts
118 Berlin article
119 Meadow
20 Texter's "Yikes!"
24 Bolted to escape
29 Riyadh native
30 Sugar source
31 Shore flier
32 "Not yet sure what my answer is"
33 Director Joel or Ethan
34 Killer whale
35 Neighbor of Myanmar
36 Early James Bond foe
37 Not similar
41 Dust jacket write-up
42 Demi and Dudley
43 Departs
45 Cupcake flourish
46 That lady
47 Less spicy
49 Honey-coated Easter entree
50 Anderson of "WKRP in Cincinnati"
51 Cicero's "Lo!"
52 Cake layer
56 ICU workers
59 Actor Stephen
60 Iran's former name
61 Ball-shaped
62 Put on, as an outfit
63 After-bath powder
64 Andy Taylor's boy
65 Sitting atop
66 Suffix with ball
67 Innocent types
70 President before Donald
71 Shallow pan
74 Swarms
75 Hude conflict
77 Sedate
78 Steinbeck migrant
79 Close
81 In — (more than sleeping)
82 Arm bone
84 Eatery list
85 Baseballer Musial
87 Is really mad
90 Grain fungi
91 "Watch Me (Whip—)" (2015 hit)
92 "Apollo 13" actor Gary
93 Bills worth 100 bucks
94 "You got that right!"
95 Meat in a sub
96 Coal-mining guys
98 MMA fighter Rousey
99 Armageddon nation
100 Little laugh
104 Silent "yes"
105 Like villains
106 Russo of film
107 Gymnast Korbut
109 Elly May Clampett's pa
110 Good Grips kitchen brand
111 "— a trap!"
112 Ark.-to-Ill. dir.

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See solution on Page B14



PUBLIC NOTICE  
BIDS WANTED

Sealed proposals will be received by the Township of Weisenberg, Lehigh County, PA at 2175 Seipstown Rd, Fogelsville, PA 18051 until 9:00 am on Monday, March 14, 2022. Bids will be opened and read at 9:15 am on March 14, 2022; the bids will be read and awarded at the Board of Supervisors on Monday, March 14, 2022 @ 7:00 pm.

## Joint Oil Bid for CRS-2PME-3M - delivered/applied by contractor at the direction of each township.

30,000 Gallons - Heidelberg Township  
60,000 Gallons - Lynn Township  
35,000 Gallons - Lowhill Township  
70,000 Gallons - Weisenberg Township

## Joint Line Painting (per Pub 408) - delivered/ applied by contractor at the direction of each township.

15 miles (double yellow line) 5 miles (single white line) - Heidelberg Township  
24 miles (double yellow line) -Lynn Township  
10 miles (double yellow line) - Lowhill Township  
45 miles (double yellow line) 10 miles (single white line) - Weisenberg Township

Proposed bidders shall be PennDOT pre-qualified as per PennDOT specifications. All bidders must be in compliance with the CDL Program.

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

Weisenberg Township - 2nd Class Township  
Brian C. Carl, Secretary

Feb. 16, 23

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Borough Council of the Borough of Alburdis, at its regular meeting to be held on Wednesday, March 9, 2022, commencing at 7:00 p.m. at the Alburdis Borough Hall, 260 Franklin Street, Alburdis, Pennsylvania 18011, may consider and enact an ordinance entitled and summarized as follows:

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF AND OPENING CHURCH STREET, SCENIC VIEW DRIVE, RACITE ROAD, AND SEIP ROAD IN THE SUBDIVISION KNOWN AS "HILLS AT LOCK RIDGE-WEST" IN THE BOROUGH OF ALBURDIS; OPENING AND INCORPORATING SUCH STREETS INTO THE OFFICIAL STREET SYSTEM OF THE BOROUGH OF ALBURDIS; AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF CODIFIED ORDINANCES § 12-508 REGARDING KEYS AND ACCESS CODES FOR ENTRY TO BOROUGH HALL; AMENDING CODIFIED ORDINANCES § 11-104.1(h) TO SET THE CHIEF OF POLICE'S RATE OF COMPENSATION AT \$38.00 PER HOUR; AND AMENDING CODIFIED ORDINANCES § 12-302(c.1)(1) TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL FIVE (5) VACATION DAYS FOR THE CHIEF OF POLICE IN HIS FIRST YEAR OF SERVICE.

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.

Any interested party may petition Borough Council to conduct a hearing on the issue of accepting, opening, and incorporating streets into the Borough's official street system before adopting the ordinance. The petition must be received at the Office of the Borough Manager, Alburdis Borough Hall, at the address set forth above no later than March 4, 2022. If no timely petitions are received, the ordinance may be adopted on March 9, 2022.

Within thirty (30) days after the enactment of the ordinance, any party aggrieved by Council's action accepting, opening, and incorporating streets into the Borough's official street system may appeal to the Lehigh County Court of Common Pleas.

David G. Knerr, Esquire  
Solicitor

Feb. 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE  
MEETING NOTICES

The Whitehall-Coplay School District hereby gives public notice of the following meetings in the Whitehall High School's Large Group Instruction Room, 3800 Mechanicsville Rd., Whitehall, PA:

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Whitehall-Coplay School District (the "District") shall convene a Special Board Meeting on Monday, March 14, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. to discuss any and all business that properly comes before the board. The Committee Meetings will follow the conclusion of the Special Board Meeting in consecutive order: Operations/Transportation Committee, Finance/Personnel Committee, and Education/Student Activities Committee.

Notice is also hereby given that the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Whitehall-Coplay School District (the "District") shall convene a Board meeting on Monday, March 28, 2022, at 7:00 p.m., to discuss any and all business that properly comes before the board.

The Board welcomes citizens to its open meetings and invites them to bring to its attention matters of concern. A member of the public, present at a Board meeting, may address the Board in accordance with law and Board policy and procedures. Citizens, desiring to be heard by the Board at a regular or special meeting without prior notification may be allotted by the President a reasonable amount of time to present the issue of concern. The President shall recognize the citizen and ask them to identify themselves and whom they represent.

Directions for connection to view these live-streamed public meetings will be published on the district's publicly accessible website. Individuals who need accommodations to address disabilities need to contact Michael Malay at, Boardsecretary@whitehallcoplay.org; at least 48 hours in advance of the scheduled meeting. This notice is posted pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Sunshine Act, 65 Pa.C.S. § 701, et seq. Feb. 23

## Office of the Lehigh County Bureau of Elections &amp; Voter Registration

17 S 7th Street  
Allentown, PA 18101

## NOTICE OF THE GENERAL PRIMARY TO BE HELD MAY 17, 2022

In accordance with the provisions of the Election Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and amendments thereto: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that NOMINATIONS are to be made for the following Offices at the ensuing General Primary to be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 8:00 P.M., prevailing time in various Election Districts in the County of Lehigh, Pennsylvania, viz:

## THROUGHOUT THE STATE

UNITED STATES SENATOR  
GOVERNOR  
LT. GOVERNOR

## THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LEHIGH

*(NOTE: The apportionment of congressional districts and redistricting of state Senate and Legislative districts for the 2022 election cycle have not been finalized as of submission of this notice for publication.)*

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS  
(CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS TO BE DETERMINED)

SENATOR IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
(SENATORIAL DISTRICTS TO BE DETERMINED)

REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
(LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS TO BE DETERMINED)

## THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LEHIGH

DEMOCRATIC STATE COMMITTEE  
(7 Total: 3 Male, 3 Female and 1 Regardless of Sex)

REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE – AT LARGE  
(3 Total: 1 Male, 1 Female and 1 Either Gender)

REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE – DISTRICT 1  
(2 Total: 1 Male and 1 Female)

REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE – DISTRICT 2  
(2 Total: 1 Male and 1 Female)

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY COMMITTEE PERSON  
(2 Total from each Election District- Regardless of Sex)

REPUBLICAN COUNTY COMMITTEEMAN  
(From each Election District)

REPUBLICAN COUNTY COMMITTEEWOMAN  
(From each Election District)

LEHIGH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

By: Timothy A. Benyo, Chief Clerk

## Oficina de Elecciones y Registro de Votantes del Condado de Lehigh

17 South 7th Street  
Allentown, Pensilvania 18101

## AVISO DE PRIMARIA GENERAL A REALIZARSE EL 17 DE MAYO DE 2022

De acuerdo con las disposiciones del Código Electoral del Estado de Pensilvania y sus enmiendas: POR LA PRESENTE SE NOTIFICA que se realizarán NOMINACIONES para los siguientes Cargos en la Primaria General subsiguiente que se llevará a cabo el martes 17 de mayo de 2022, entre el horario de 7:00 a. m. y las 8:00 p. m., hora prevalectiente en varios distritos electorales del condado de Lehigh, Pensilvania, a saber:

EN TODO EL ESTADO  
SENADOR DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS  
GOBERNADOR  
LT. GOBERNADOR

EN TODO EL CONDADO DE LEHIGH  
*(NOTA: La distribución de los distritos electorales y la redistribución de los distritos legislativos y senatoriales estatales para el ciclo electoral de 2022 no se han finalizado al momento de la presentación de este aviso para su publicación.)*

REPRESENTANTE EN EL CONGRESO  
(DISTRITOS DEL CONGRESO A SER DETERMINADOS)

SENADOR EN LA ASAMBLEA GENERAL  
(DISTRITOS SENATORIALES POR DETERMINAR)

REPRESENTANTE EN LA ASAMBLEA GENERAL  
(DISTRITOS LEGISLATIVOS POR DETERMINAR)

## EN TODO EL CONDADO DE LEHIGH

COMITÉ DEL ESTADO DEMOCRÁTICO  
(7 en total: 3 masculinos, 3 femeninos y 1 cualquiera)

COMITÉ DEL ESTADO REPUBLICANO – EN GENERAL  
(3 en total: 1 masculino, 1 femenino y 1 de ambos sexos)

COMITÉ DEL ESTADO REPUBLICANO – DISTRITO 1  
(2 Total: 1 Masculino y 1 Femenino)

COMITÉ DEL ESTADO REPUBLICANO – DISTRITO 2  
(2 Total: 1 Masculino y 1 Femenino)

PERSONA DEL COMITÉ DEL CONDADO DEMOCRÁTICO  
(Dos o de cada distrito electoral, independientemente del sexo)

COMITÉ REPUBLICANO DEL CONDADO  
(Uno o de cada Distrito Electoral)

COMITÉ REPUBLICANO DEL CONDADOMUJER  
(Uno o de cada Distrito Electoral)

JUNTA DE ELECCIONES DEL CONDADO DE LEHIGH

Por: Timothy A. Benyo, Jefe de elección



PUBLIC NOTICE  
INVITATION TO BID

Notice is hereby given that the Borough of Macungie will receive sealed bids online via the PennBid Program ([www.PennBid.net](http://www.PennBid.net)) until **10:00 AM**, prevailing time on **Tuesday, March 15, 2022**, for the Main Street Improvements - Phase VI Project. The scope of work includes selective demolition, and the installation of E&S controls, boring, electrical conduit, wiring, lighting (including conc. bases), crushed stone, concrete, signage, street trees, brick pavers, all other related site work as indicated or reasonably implied on the contract documents and drawings. Prevailing wage rates and Related Acts apply to this Project.

All Bidding Documents are available online at no cost at [www.PennBid.net](http://www.PennBid.net) on **February 16, 2022**.

Immediately following the due date and time, all bids received through PennBid will be opened online at the Engineer's office and referred to the Owner for final award. An abstract of the Bids will be available to bidders on PennBid at the date and time that bids are due, as indicated above.

Bids must include a bid bond, with a corporate surety authorized to do business in Pennsylvania in accordance with the project specifications in the amount of 10% of the total bid amount, all posted through the PennBid program. A Performance and Payment Bond in the amount of 100% of the contract shall be furnished by the successful bidder as detailed in the Instructions to Bidders. The contract requires conformance with the Non-Discrimination/Sexual Harassment Clause which can be found in the specifications of this project.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at **10:00 AM on Thursday, February 24, 2022** at Macungie Borough Hall (21 Locust Street, Macungie, PA 18062). Questions may be submitted through PennBid's "Clarifications (From Vendors)" tab on or before **10:00 AM on Monday, March 7, 2022**. Responses will be provided via PennBid to all registered plan holders.

The Borough of Macungie reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids or portions of to waive any informalities in bidding and to withhold award for a period of sixty (60) days.

On Behalf of the Borough of Macungie  
Barry Islett & Associates, Inc.  
85 South Route 100  
Allentown, PA 18106

Feb. 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE  
MUNICIPAL ADVERTISEMENT

**BOROUGH OF NORTH CATASAUQUA**  
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 March 7, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. 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, Repealing and Replacing Ordinance 431 Relating to the Registration, Inspection, and Licensing of Residential Rental Properties."

The proposed ordinance repeals and replaces Ordinance 431, and it specifically requires that all municipal taxes, garbage and sewer fees be confirmed to be current at the time of any application thereunder; it sets forth procedures for the handling of incomplete applications; it makes amendments to the provisions regarding the scheduling of inspections and re-inspections; it updates provisions relating to confidentiality of information; it includes small textual changes for improved readability; and it eradicates the requirement relating to Certificates of Compliance.

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 days before the above date to discuss how your needs may be best accommodated.

Feb. 16, 23

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA FREIGHT PLAN.** The Lehigh Valley Planning Commission (LVPC) is accepting proposals for Eastern Pennsylvania Freight Plan. Visit <http://www.lvpc.org/legal-notices---employment.html> for details.  
Feb. 23

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**PRIVATE DETECTIVE LICENSE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on December 20th, 2021, a petition, being the application of Mitchell D. Friedman for a Pennsylvania Private Detective License, was filed under MD 2324-2021 in Lehigh County Court of Common Pleas in accordance with the Pennsylvania Private Detective Act. The Court has set a hearing for March 10th, 2022, at 1:30 PM in courtroom 2D before the Honorable Judge Marks for said petition. All persons interested in this matter may appear and show cause, if they have any, why this applicant for a private detective license should not be granted.  
Feb. 16, 23

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Bids Wanted**  
Sealed proposals for the purchase of a 2014 John Deere 6115R Premium Cab Tractor with Boom Mower or equivalent will be received by Heidelberg Township at the Heidelberg Township Municipal Building at 6272 Route 309, Suite A, New Tripoli PA 18066 until 9:00am on Thursday, March 17, 2022 when they will be opened and read.  
Detailed specifications for the equipment are available in the bid specifications packet. Heidelberg Township reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Proposals must be on forms provided by Heidelberg Township and obtained at the Heidelberg Township Municipal Building or by calling Janice Meyers at 610-767-9297 x14 or emailing her at [jmeyers@heidelberghigh.org](mailto:jmeyers@heidelberghigh.org).  
Janice M. Meyers,  
Heidelberg Township Administrator  
Feb. 23, Mar. 2

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Certificate of Organization was filed on January 5, 2022 with the PA Department of State for **First Northampton LLC** in accordance with the provisions of the Limited Liability Company Law, Act of December 7, 1994.  
Ronald E. Corkery, Esquire  
352 Fifth Street, Suite A, Whitehall, PA 18052  
(610) 437-9867  
Feb. 23

PUBLIC NOTICE  
BOROUGH OF EMMAS  
LAWN MOWING AND TRIMMING SERVICES

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
The Borough of Emmaus, Lehigh County, PA, will receive sealed bids for lawn mowing and trimming services.

Bids shall be made upon Bidder's Forms supplied by Emmaus Borough and must be in accordance with the Bid Specifications. Copies of the Bid Forms and Specifications can be obtained through the Borough Manager's office, located at the temporary Borough Hall, 420 S 10th Street, Emmaus PA 18049, for a nonrefundable fee of \$25.00.

Bids shall be labeled "Lawn Mowing and Trimming Services" and received in the Borough Manager's Office by 9:00 A.M., Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read.

Bids shall remain firm for a period of sixty (60) days.

The Borough of Emmaus reserves the right to waive any informalities in, or to reject, any and all bids, and to enter into such a contract as may be deemed to be in the best interest of the Borough of Emmaus.

Borough of Emmaus  
Shane M. Pepe, Borough Manager  
Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE  
LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Board of Commissioners of Bethlehem Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, will consider for adoption at a public hearing to be held at 7:00 P.M. on the 21st day of March, 2022, at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 5-99, Chapter 275 "Zoning" of the Township of Bethlehem, Code of Ordinances, by amending Article II, "Terminology", §275-24. Definitions. In the event that the Board of Commissions do not consider for adoption the Ordinance described hereinafter at the Public Hearing, the Board of Commissioners will consider the Ordinance for adoption at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners to be held on the 4th day of April, 2022, at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

The public hearing will be open to the public; however, **MASKS ARE RECOMMENDED TO BE WORN BY** all individuals attending the public hearing in person. In addition, and due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the hearing will also be held electronically through Zoom or call in by phone. To access the meeting through your computer go to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89634227953> and enter Meeting ID: # 896 3422 7953. To access the hearing by phone via one tap mobile, dial +12678310333, 89634227953# US (Philadelphia).

Copies of the proposed Ordinance are available for review at the Bethlehem Township Municipal Building located at 4225 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania during normal business hours and on the Township's website.

The following is the proposed Ordinance:

## ORDINANCE NO

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5-99 THE BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 275 "ZONING", OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BETHLEHEM CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING ARTICLE II, "TERMINOLOGY", §275-24. DEFINITIONS, REPEALING ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HERewith, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF PARTS OF THIS ORDINANCE DEEMED TO BE INVALID, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, §275-15 of the Bethlehem Township Zoning Ordinance provides that "The Township may, on its own motion or upon petition of any person or entity, amend, supplement, change or modify, or repeal this Ordinance." And

WHEREAS, the Bethlehem Township Director of Planning and Economic Development has recommended that the Bethlehem Township Board of Commissioners enact the following amendments to Section 275-24. Definitions, of the Bethlehem Township Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Bethlehem Township Board of Commissioners finds that the proposed amendments will promote, protect and facilitate the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Bethlehem Township Board of Commissioners finds that the proposed amendments are consistent with the Bethlehem Township Comprehensive Plan adopted July 1, 1997 including the amendments thereto adopted on November 15, 2004; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 609 of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, 53 P.S. § 10609, the Township of Bethlehem is authorized and empowered to enact amendments to the Bethlehem Township Zoning Ordinance after public hearing thereon pursuant to public notice; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem has conducted a public hearing pursuant to the public notice concerning the following amendments to the Bethlehem Township Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, after public hearing pursuant to public notice, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem desires to ordain and enact the amendments to the Bethlehem Township Zoning Ordinance set forth hereinafter.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as follows:

## Section I

The Bethlehem Township Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 275 of the Township of Bethlehem Code of Ordinances, Article II, Terminology, §275-24, Definitions, is amended by adding the following definitions:

**"BUILDING CONTRACTOR'S OFFICE**

The office of a business in the building or construction industry, including building trades such as painting plumbing, electrical work, masonry, metal working, carpentry or heavy equipment operating. Such places of business may be used for accessory outdoor storage of materials and/or heavy equipment which are used on construction sites customarily associated with the principal office use.

**BUILDING CONTRACTOR'S OFFICE, SMALL**

The office of a business in the building or construction industry, including building trades such as painting, plumbing, electrical work, masonry, metal working and carpentry, and which does not include any accessory outdoor storage.

**GRADE PLANE**

A reference plane representing the average of finished ground level adjoining the building at exterior walls. Where the finished ground level slopes away from the exterior walls the reference plane shall be established by the lowest points within the area between the building and the lot line. Where the lot line is more than 6 feet from the building the reference plane shall be between the building and a point 6 feet from the building.

**MANUFACTURING**

The making, with substantial use of machinery, of some product for sale, and/or associated assembly, fabrication, cleaning, testing, processing, recycling, packaging, conversion, production, distribution and repair. This term shall not include the following: retail sales, personal services, solid waste disposal facility, truck terminal or uses otherwise defined or classified herein.

**RESEARCH, ENGINEERING OR TESTING LABORATORY**

An establishment engaged in conducting research and experimental development or analytical testing services in the physical, engineering and life sciences fields. This term shall not include research, engineering or testing or uses otherwise defined or classified herein.

**TESTING AND REPAIR OF MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS**

An establishment primarily involving testing and/or repair services provided to other businesses, retailers, wholesalers and their agents, and not to the general public. This term shall not include the following: warehouse or warehousing, manufacturing, research, engineering or testing laboratory, auto repair garage, auto service station or uses otherwise defined or classified herein.

**Section II**

The Bethlehem Township Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 275 of the Township of Bethlehem Code of Ordinances, Article II, Terminology, §275-24. Definitions, is amended by deleting, in their entirety, the existing definitions for Dwelling, Dwelling Unit, Family, Group Home, Height, Industrial Use and Wholesale and replacing them as follows:

**"DWELLING**

A building designed or used as living quarters. The term "dwelling" shall not include boardinghouse, hotel, motel, hospital, nursing home, fraternity, sorority house or any other similar group residence. A dwelling may include a dwelling that meets the definition of a "modular home." This chapter categorizes dwellings into the following types:

**A. GARDEN APARTMENTS**

Three or more dwelling units within a building that are separated by only horizontal floors or by a combination of horizontal floors and vertical walls

(see definition of "townhouses"). This shall include buildings with a maximum height of 3 1/2 stories or 35 feet, whichever is lesser. The individual dwelling units may be leased or sold for condominium ownership.

**B. MIDRISE APARTMENTS**

Three or more dwelling units within a building that is higher than 35 feet or 3 1/2 stories, and less than 60 feet or six stories (whichever is less).

**C. MODULAR OR SECTIONAL HOME**

A type of dwelling that meets a definition of single-family detached dwelling, single-family semidetached dwelling, townhouse or garden apartment that is in substantial part but not wholly produced in sections off the site and then is assembled and completed on the site. This shall not include any dwelling that meets the definition of mobile/manufactured home, nor shall it include any dwelling that does not rest on a permanent foundation, nor any dwelling intended to be able to be moved to a different site once assembled, nor any dwelling that would not fully comply with any and all applicable building codes. A modular home also shall not include a building that includes only one substantial piece prior to delivery on the site.

**D. SINGLE-FAMILY DETACHED DWELLING**

A dwelling unit accommodating a single family and having two side yards. The term "single-family detached dwelling" shall be deemed to include a single-family detached factory-built "modular home" placed on a permanent perimeter foundation and a mobile/manufactured home.

**(1) MOBILE/MANUFACTURED HOME**

A transportable, single-family dwelling designed for permanent occupancy, contained in one unit or in two units designed to be joined into one integral unit capable of again being separated for repeated towing, which arrives at a site complete and ready for occupancy except for minor and incidental unpacking and assembly operations and constructed so that it may be used with or without a permanent foundation.

(a) Mobile/manufactured homes shall be constructed in accordance with the Safety and Construction Standards of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The term "mobile/manufactured home" shall not be deemed to include "recreation vehicle" nor a "modular home" placed on a permanent perimeter foundation. For the purposes of this chapter, no structure of less than 300 square feet shall be considered a "mobile/manufactured home." The terms "mobile home" and "manufactured home" have the same meaning.

**E. SINGLE-FAMILY SEMIDETACHED OR TWIN DWELLING**

One dwelling unit accommodating one family that is attached and completely separated by a vertical unpierced fire wall to only one additional dwelling unit. One side yard shall be adjacent to each dwelling unit. This use is commonly known as 1/2 of a duplex. Each unit may be on a separate lot.

**F. TOWNHOUSE**

A dwelling unit that is attached to two or more dwelling units, or that is attached to a dwelling unit that is attached to two additional dwelling units. Each dwelling unit shall be completely separated from each other by vertical fire-resistant walls. Each dwelling unit shall have its own outside access. Side yards shall be adjacent to each end unit. Townhouses are also commonly referred to as rowhouses.

**G. TWO-FAMILY DETACHED**

Two dwelling units accommodating one family each in one building, with both dwelling units within one lot and without the dwelling units being completely separated by a vertical fire wall. The building shall have two side yards.

**DWELLING UNIT**

A room or group of rooms intended for human habitation that contains its own sanitary, sleeping and cooking facilities and separate access to the outside, or to a common hallway or balcony that connects to outside access at ground level.

**FAMILY**

One or more individuals who are related to each other by blood, marriage or adoption (including persons receiving formal foster care) or up to 4 persons aged 18 or over who are not related to each other who maintain a common household with common cooking facilities and certain rooms in common, and who live within one dwelling unit. A family shall also expressly include numbers of unrelated persons that may be allowed by the Group Home provision of this Ordinance residing within an approved Group Home.

**GROUP HOME**

The use of any lawful dwelling unit which meets all of the following criteria:

A. Involves the care of the maximum number of persons permitted by the "group home" standards of § 275-189A(36) and meets all other standards of such section;

B. Involves persons functioning as a common household;

C. Involves providing non-routine support services and oversight to persons who need such assistance to avoid being placed in an institution, because of physical disability, old age, mental/developmental disability or other disability;

D. Does not meet the definition of "treatment center" or a "dormitory"; and

E. Does not involve the housing or treatment of persons who could reasonably be considered a threat to the physical safety of others. The Northampton County Department of Human Services, or other appropriate entity having jurisdiction, shall determine whether a person can be reasonably considered a threat to the physical safety of others.

**HEIGHT**

The vertical distance from grade plane to the average height of the highest roof surface. For structures without a roof, measurement shall occur to the average height of the structure. See exemptions for certain types of structures in §275-170.

**INDUSTRIAL USE**

Includes manufacturing, distribution, warehousing and other operations of an industrial nature, and not primarily a commercial or residential nature. This term shall not include uses otherwise defined or classified herein for purposes permitted uses within a given zoning district.

**WHOLESALE**

Sales that primarily involve transactions with other businesses, retailers, other wholesalers and their agents, and not to the general public. This term shall not include the following: warehouse or warehousing, retail store, truck terminal or uses otherwise defined or classified herein.

**Section III:**

The Bethlehem Township Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 275 of the Township of Bethlehem Code of Ordinances, Article II, Terminology, §275-24. Definitions, is amended by deleting the existing definition for Related, in its entirety.

**Section IV:**

Severability. If a court of competent jurisdiction declares any provision of this Ordinance to be invalid or ineffective in whole or in part, the effect of such decision shall be limited to those provisions which are expressly stated in the decision to be invalid or ineffective, and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall continue to be separately fully effective.

**Section V:**

Repealer. All ordinances or codes, or parts of ordinances or codes, conflicting with any of the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as same affects this ordinance. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the enactment of this ordinance including this repealer provision, shall not be construed as affecting any act done, liability or obligation incurred or right accrued or vested, or as affecting any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any right or penalty or punish any offense under the authority of any of the repealed ordinances and/or codes.

**Section VI:**

This Ordinance shall be effective five (5) days after the enactment hereof.

James L. Broughal, Solicitor  
Bethlehem Township  
38 West Market Street  
Bethlehem, PA 18018

Feb. 23, Mar. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE  
NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** by the Board of Supervisors of Lynn Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, that on February 10, 2022 they acknowledged receipt of a proposal to include additional land within the Lynn Township Agricultural Security Area. The proposed addition consists of approximately 11.797 acres more or less, which is located in Lynn Township and is identified as PIN Nos. 540966247090 1 and 540956995264 1. The proposed additional land will remain on file and is available for public inspection during the normal business hours at the Lynn Township Municipal Building located at 7911 Kings Highway, New Tripoli, Pennsylvania.

Any municipality encompassing or adjacent to the proposed additional areas, or any landowner who owns the land proposed to be included within the Agricultural Security Area, or any landowner with lands adjacent or near the proposed additional areas who wishes land to be included or not included therein, may propose modifications to the proposed area. Objections to the proposed additional areas, and proposed modifications must be filed with the Board of Supervisors, in writing, with a copy to the Lynn Township Planning Commission within fifteen (15) days from the date of publication of this Notice. At the end of the fifteen (15) day period, the proposed additional land and proposed modifications, if any, will be submitted to the Lynn Township Planning Commission and the Lynn Township Agricultural Security Area Advisory Committee. Thereafter, a public hearing will be held on the proposed additional land, proposed modifications, if any, and recommendations of the Lynn Township Planning Commission and the Lynn Township Agricultural Security Area Advisory Committee.

Marc S. Fisher, Esquire  
Solicitor for Lynn Township

Feb. 23

PUBLIC NOTICE  
Bids Wanted

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors, Heidelberg Township, Lehigh County at the Municipal Building at 6272 Route 309, Suite A, New Tripoli, PA 18066 until 9:00am on Thursday, March 17, 2022 when the bids will be open and read.

Location of Work: From SR4014 to SR4024 on Church Road (T804), approximately 7,900 feet.

Contractor to supply equipment and labor to lay and finish 3 inch overlay. Township to prepare road and supply materials and transportation to job site.

PA Labor & Industry prevailing wages are applicable to this contract. Contractor required to attend a pre-bid meeting with township representative. Contact Road Superintendent Kevin Huber at 610-767-9297 x15 to make an appointment. The bid must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of 10% of the bid made payable to the municipality. A performance bond or certified check in the amount of 100% of the contract shall be furnished by the successful bidder within 10 days after the contract is awarded. The municipality reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

All proposals must be made upon the form furnished by the Township by calling Janice Meyers, Township Administrator at 610-767-9297 ext. 14 or emailing [jmeyers@heidelberghigh.org](mailto:jmeyers@heidelberghigh.org).

The Supervisors reserve the right to reject any item or items and also reserve the right to reject any and all proposals.  
Janice Meyers, Township Administrator  
Feb. 23, Mar. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE  
Bids Wanted

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors, Heidelberg Township, Lehigh County at the Municipal Building at 6272 Route 309, Suite A, New Tripoli, PA 18066 until 9:00am on Thursday, March 17, 2022 when the bids will be open and read.

Location of Work: From SR4014 to SR4024 on Church Road (T804), approximately 7,900 feet.

In Place: 3 inch overlay, 20-22 feet wide. Contractor to supply pave in-place 9.5 mm Superpave. Driveway millings as directed.

PA Labor & Industry prevailing wages are applicable to this contract. Contractor required to attend a pre-bid meeting with township representative. Contact Road Superintendent Kevin Huber at 610-767-9297 x15 to make an appointment. The bid must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of 10% of the bid made payable to the municipality. A performance bond or certified check in the amount of 100% of the contract shall be furnished by the successful bidder within 10 days after the contract is awarded. The municipality reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

All proposals must be made upon the form furnished by the Township by calling Janice Meyers, Township Administrator at 610-767-9297 ext. 14 or emailing [jmeyers@heidelberghigh.org](mailto:jmeyers@heidelberghigh.org).

The Supervisors reserve the right to reject any item or items and also reserve the right to reject any and all proposals.  
Janice Meyers, Township Administrator  
Feb. 23, Mar. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE  
Bids Wanter

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors, Heidelberg Township, Lehigh County at the Municipal Building at 6272 Route 309, Suite A, New Tripoli, PA 18066 until 9:00am on Thursday, March 17, 2022 when the bids will be open and read.

Materials: All quantities are +/-  
-- 25 tons high performance cold patch  
-- Stone -- 100 tons #1 stone, 1,500 tons #8 stone 1.0% washed, 500 tons #57 stone 2.0% washed,  
-- 500 tons 2A aggregate, 500 tons 2RC  
-- 400 tons PennDot approved Type-2 anti-skid  
-- 50 tons R6 Riprap  
-- 2,900 tons 9.5mm Superpave asphalt wearing course

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

All proposals must be made upon the form furnished by the Township by calling the Janice Meyers, Township Administrator at 610-767-9297 ext. 14 or emailing [jmeyers@heidelberghigh.org](mailto:jmeyers@heidelberghigh.org)

The Supervisors reserve the right to reject any item or items and also reserve the right to reject any and all proposals.  
Janice Meyers, Township Administrator  
Feb. 23, Mar. 2



PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR BIDS TWO (2) - 30 PASSENGER SCHOOL BUSES

The Bethlehem Area School District will receive sealed bids in the Business Office, 1516 Sycamore St. Bethlehem, PA 18017, no later than 2:00 PM prevailing time, Friday, March 11, 2022, at which time bids will be publicly opened. DETAILED SPECS ARE AVAILABLE AT www.basd.schools.org or by email at purchasing@basdschools.org. Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR BIDS LOCKDOWN SHADES

The Bethlehem Area School District will receive sealed bids in the Business Office, 1516 Sycamore St, Bethlehem, PA 18017, no later than 2:00 PM prevailing time, Friday, March 4, 2022, at which time bids will be publicly opened. DETAILED SPECS ARE AVAILABLE AT www.basdschools.org or by email at purchasing@basdschools.org. Feb. 9, 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE Emmaus Borough Council will be voting on the following amended Ordinance at its March 7, 2022 Council Meeting: ORDINANCE NO. 1224

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF EMMAUS, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 15 §602.3.A OF THE EMMAUS BOROUGH CODE, ADDING RESIDENTIAL DISABLED PARKING SIGN AND ASSIGNING PERMITTED PARKING SPACE ON A PUBLIC STREET LOCATED ADJACENT TO 568 BROAD STREET AND IN FRONT OF 243 ADRAIN STREET WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF EMMAUS

The Council Meeting is scheduled for 7:00 PM at St. John's UCC, 139 N Fourth St., Emmaus, PA. The proposed Ordinance is available for inspection at the temporary Borough offices, 420 S 10th Street, Emmaus PA, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM. Shane M. Pepe, Borough Manager Mar. 23

PUBLIC NOTICE CATASAUQUA BOROUGH ZONING HEARING BOARD MEETING March 15, 2022

Notice is hereby provided that the Catasauqua Borough Zoning Hearing Board ("ZHB") will conduct a public meeting on March 15, 2022. The meeting will commence at 7:30 p.m. The following matter will be heard: Appeal to be heard:

- 1. Appeal #01-2022 Applicant: David Erb Nature of Appeal: Applicant seeks variance from 280-30(5)(b), 280-30(5)(c)[1][a], 280-30(5)(c)(4) and 280-56.C(1) to permit a 4' high 1:1 chain link fence within a sight triangle for the residential property, 137 Milton Street in the Borough of Catasauqua. The real estate is located in the Medium Density Residential Zoning District (R2) and is further identified as Tax Parcel 640818754680 1.

All interested parties are invited to attend and be heard. The Borough will abide by current occupancy restrictions. Please check the Borough website: www.catasauqua.org for more information or call the Borough Office, 610-264-0571 x200 before 12pm, March 15, 2022. Feb. 23, March 2

PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING NOTICE

The Northampton County Housing Authority board meeting will be held on Monday, February 28, 2022 at 4:15 pm. This meeting will be held virtually due to COVID-19 concerns. Use the link below to join the virtual meeting, or, call one of the telephone numbers listed to join by phone.

Topic: NCHA board meeting OfficeSuite HD Meeting Time: Monday, Feb 28, 2022 04:15 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join OfficeSuite Meeting https://meeting.windstream.com/j/1119826239

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Please contact Ms. Feiertag if there are any questions at: (610) 965-4514 ext 5-212. Christina M. Feiertag, Executive Director Feb. 23

PUBLIC NOTICE TOWNSHIP OF WHITEHALL ZONING HEARING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING

Due to the Pandemic Emergency, ongoing Municipal Building Construction, and pursuant to Act 15 of 2020, the regular monthly meeting of the Whitehall Township Zoning Hearing Board will be held on March 15, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. via Webex.com. (Please see whitehalltownship.org for further details), to hear the following appeals/applications:

DOCKET # 2023 - D.R. Horton, Inc. c/o Erin Lee Witt - 260 Detweiler Road, Suite 103, Harleyville, PA 19438. Location: 4302 Main Street, Whitehall, PA 18052, PIN 548958690932, the subject property is located in a R-4 Medium Density Residential Zoning District. Applicant is proposing to develop the property by subdividing it into 60 single family residential lots. Applicant is requesting variances to Sec. 27-74 E(1)(a) and Sec. 27-74 E(1)(b)(1) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow 37 of the proposed lots to have less than the minimum required lot size, and 46 of the lots to have less than the minimum required lot width. Applicant also requests Variances to Sec. 27-114(D) and (E) for minimum lot size and minimum lot frontage in areas of steep slopes. Continued to this meeting for deliberation and decision, with consent of the Applicant. Copies of plans, applications and supporting documents are available for public inspection at the Township Municipal Building. Comments and questions may be submitted to CGittinger@whitehalltownship.com.

The decisions of the Township of Whitehall Zoning Hearing Board are made without regard to race, color, national origin, familial status, and disability status of the Applicant. The Whitehall Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Any person that requires special assistance to understand the nature of the business conducted at the above meeting because of visual, hearing, or other impairment, is requested to contact the Zoning Officer at least five (5) days prior to the scheduled meeting to arrange for the necessary assistance.

Applicants, and all interested parties MUST appear at this hearing to be considered. The Whitehall Township Zoning Hearing Board has an obligation to affirmatively further fair housing and to review all land use and zoning applications in accordance with federal civil rights statutes. This includes taking meaningful actions that overcome patterns of segregation and foster inclusive communities free from barriers that restrict access to opportunity based on protected characteristics. The Zoning Hearing Board, in its land use and zoning decisions, does not discriminate against persons based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, or familial status and reviews all land use and zoning applications in accordance with federal civil rights statutes. Public comments made on the basis of bias and stereotype concerning people within these protected classes will not be taken into consideration by the Zoning Hearing Board in its deliberations.

Christopher W. Gittinger Zoning and Code Enforcement Officer

Feb. 23, Mar. 2

DEAN R. ARNER AUCTIONEER, LLC HUGE TWO DAY HARDWARE AUCTION! FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2022 AT 10:00 A.M. & SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2022 AT 8:00 A.M. LEESPORT FARMERS MARKET, 312 GERNAANTS CHURCH RD., LEESPORT, PA 19533 FRIDAY: LARGE AMOUNT OF LAWN & GARDEN ITEMS, TOOLS, HOLIDAY DECOR, HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND MUCH MORE! LARGE ITEMS AND EQUIPMENT WILL BE SOLD ON SATURDAY! SATURDAY: 2005 F250 DIESEL TRUCK, BRUSHCUTTER, NEW AND USED ZERO TURN LAWMOWERS, NEW RIDING MOWER, CHIPPER SHREDDER, CHAIN SAWS, STRING TRIMMERS, MILWAUKEE TOOLS, FORCED AIR HEATER, LEAF BLOWERS, PUMP SPRAYERS, USED EQUIPMENT, HUSQVARNA TOYS, LAWN & GARDEN ITEMS, HEATERS, FANS, HOUSEHOLD GOODS AND MUCH MORE! CHECK FULL LISTING AND PHOTOS AT WWW.DEANARNERAUCTIONS.COM. DEAN R. ARNER AUCTIONEER, LLC AY-002077L 570-386-3389

PUBLIC NOTICE East Penn School District Special Board Meeting

The Board of School Directors of East Penn SD will hold a Special Board Meeting on Monday, March 7, 2022 at 6:00 PM in the Board Room of the Administration Building located at 800 Pine Street, Emmaus. The purpose of this Special Board Meeting is to review the district-wide facility study and to conduct other such business that may come before the board. Janine L. Allen Board Secretary Feb. 23

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Dorothy J. Greiner, deceased, late of Lynn Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to Rae Greiner, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent make payment without delay to: Santanasto Law, 210 E. Broad Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018. Feb. 16, 23, Mar. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE of Julie Yeakel aka Julia Yeakel aka Julia Lazor, DECEASED. Late of Macungie, Lehigh County, PA. Letters Testamentary on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to: William H. Yeakel, Executor, 7653 Lazor Rd, Macungie PA 18062. Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of Walter Harlan Beadling, III, Deceased, Late of Upper Macungie Twp., Lehigh County, PA. D.O.D. 9/28/21. Letters Testamentary on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to: Robert Beadling, 6072 Currituck Rd., Kitty Hawk, NC 27949 & Kevin Bosch, 404 Nastasi Ct., Mullica Hill, NJ 08062, Executors. Or to their Atty.: Kris E. Fendrock, Myers Brier & Kelly, LLP, 425 Spruce St., Ste. 200, Scranton PA 18503 Feb. 16, 23, Mar. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE of JENNIE KOVALCHICK, deceased, late of Allentown, PA. All persons having claims or demands against the said estate are requested to make known the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, without delay, to the Executrix or her attorney named below: Executrix:

Jennifer L. Riedel c/o Feldman Law Offices, P.C. 2310 Walbert Avenue Allentown, PA 18104

Attorney: SAMUEL F. FELDMAN, Esquire Feldman Law Offices, P.C. 2310 Walbert Avenue Allentown, PA 18104 Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Elaine B. Klase, deceased, late of Upper Milford Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to

Russell A. Klase, II, Co-Executor Richard H. Klase, Co-Executor c/o YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062

Or to their Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG Rebecca M. Young, Esq. Lia K. Snyder, Esq. 119 E. Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 Feb. 9, 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of JOSEPH A. SKIBA, deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to

Karen M. Bartels, 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 Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Barbara F. Rohrbach, a/k/a Barbara Fay Rohrbach, deceased, late of Zionville, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to

Lisa Marie Bowers, 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 Feb. 16, 23, March 2

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Flora F. Lichtenwalner deceased, late of Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to

Judith E. Lichtenwalner, 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 Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of Paul E. Miller, Deceased. Late of Allentown, Lehigh County, PA. D.O.D. 5/15/21. Letters of Administration on the above Estate have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payment without delay to Megan L. Stuckel, Administratrix, 523 2nd Ave., Apt. 13, Bethlehem, PA 18018. Or to her Atty.: Kathleen B. Murren, Skarlatos Zonarich, 320 Market St., Ste. 600W, Harrisburg, PA 17101. Feb. 16, 23, Mar. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE of Julia M. Horn, 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 Robin D. Dolan, Executrix, 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. Feb. 9, 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF Lillian M. Gressley, deceased, late of Township of Weisenberg, Lehigh County, PA, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to: GLENN R. GRESSLEY, EXECUTOR C/O STEPHEN A. STRACK, ESQUIRE STECKEL AND STOPP LLC 125 S. WALNUT STREET, SUITE 210 SLATINGTON PA 18080 Feb. 9, 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Bertha E. Blose, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: Mark D. Menges, Executor c/o Stephen A. Strack, Esquire Steckel and Stopp LLC 125 S Walnut Street, Suite 210 Slatington, PA 18080 Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF Lieselotte M. Nikisher, deceased, late of Lehigh Township, Northampton County, PA, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to: DAVID FRANCIS NIKISHER, EXECUTOR C/O STEPHEN A. STRACK STECKEL AND STOPP LLC 125 S. WALNUT STREET, SUITE 210 SLATINGTON PA 18080 Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Bernice A. Smith, deceased, late of Schnecksville, 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: Sharon A. Smith and Gregory J. Smith, Executors c/o Stephen A. Strack, Esquire Steckel and Stopp LLC 125 S Walnut Street, Suite 210 Slatington, PA 18080 Feb. 16, 23, Mar. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

ESTATE OF SCHEIRER, IRENE E., Decedent, late of Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent make known the same, and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment in full, without delay, to: Personal Representatives: Daniel S. Scheirer and Rene P. Scheirer c/o Prokup & Swartz Attorney: Jon A. Swartz, Esquire 7736 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051 Feb. 9, 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

ESTATE OF JOAN MARIE LATOFF aka JOAN M. LATOFF, Decedent, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent make known the same, and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment in full, without delay, to: Executor: Joseph E. Latoff c/o Richard W. Shaffer, Jr., Esquire Prokup & Swartz 7736 Main Street Fogelsville, PA 18051 Feb. 16, 23, Mar. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

ESTATE OF LOUISE C. SCHICK a/k/a LOUISE CAROL SCHICK, Decedent, of Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent make known the same, and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment in full, without delay, to: Co-Executors: John A. Schick, and Jamie L. Roth-Gilly. c/o Richard W. Shaffer, Jr. Esquire Prokup & Swartz 7736 Main Street Fogelsville, PA 18051 Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

ESTATE OF PEARL H. RUFF aka PEARL HULDA RUFF, Decedent, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent make known the same, and all persons indebted to said Decedent are requested to make payment in full, without delay, to: Executrix: Judith R. Weaver c/o Richard W. Shaffer, Jr., Esquire Prokup & Swartz 7736 Main Street Fogelsville, PA 18051 Feb. 16, 23, Mar. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE

Trust of Dorothy A. Saukulak, late of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The Trustee, Edward J. Saukulak, Jr., 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 Edward J. Saukulak, Jr., 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. Feb. 16, 23, Mar 2

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of ELLSWORTH C. Machin, Deceased, late of Bethlehem, County of Northampton, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Donna Marie Machin and Roberta Marie Machin, Executrices, 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. Feb. 16, 23, Mar. 2

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF BETTY J. BITTNER, deceased, late of Kutztown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: Peggy Ann DeWitt, Executrix c/o Michael Ira Stump, Esquire 207 E. Main Street, Suite 100 Macungie, PA 18062 or to her Attorney: Michael Ira Stump, Esq. 207 E. Main Street, Ste.100 Macungie, PA 18062 Feb. 9, 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF RICHARD L. KEHM aka RICHARD LEWIS KEHM deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: Phyllis J. Kehm Executrix c/o Michael Ira Stump, Esquire 207 E. Main Street, Suite 100 Macungie, PA 18062 or to her Attorney: Michael Ira Stump, Esq. 207 E. Main Street, Ste.100 Macungie, PA 18062 Feb. 9, 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Robert B. Clarke, Late of Allentown, County of Lehigh, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the Executrix named below, who request that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: Tania A. Scriff, Executrix c/o Norris McLaughlin, P.A. 515 West Hamilton Street, Suite 502 Allentown, PA 18101 or to her attorney: Judith A. Harris, Esquire Norris McLaughlin, P.A. 515 West Hamilton Street, Suite 502 Allentown, PA 18101 Feb. 9, 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of MICHAEL MOORE SLIFKA a/k/a MICHAEL M. SLIFKA, deceased, January 6, 2022, late of Fountain Hill, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: JAY L. SLIFKA, EXECUTOR c/o Sabetti Law Offices 224 West Broad Street Bethlehem, PA 18018 or to the Attorney for the Estate: Daniel P. Sabetti Esquire 224 West Broad Street Bethlehem, PA 18018 Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of ANTHONY F. DANIELE, JR., deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the person named below, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Ronald Sivonda 3129 Linda Lane, Apt. D Allentown, PA 18103 Executor, or his attorney, Lee A. Conrad, Esquire 3 North Main Street Topton, PA 19562 Feb. 23, Mar. 2, 9

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

ESTATE OF LESTER B. MILLER, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Randine Moran-Kern, Executor c/o Wiener and Wiener, LLP 512 Hamilton Street, Suite 400 Allentown, PA 18101 OR to her attorney Wiener and Wiener LLP 512 Hamilton Street, Suite 400 Allentown, PA 18101 Feb. 9, 16, 23

PUBLIC NOTICE ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Mary Jane E. Taylor, deceased, late of Salisbury 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: Michelle L. Schaffer Jennifer A. Dickert, Executrices c/o John O. Stover Jr., Esquire The Roth Law Firm 537 Chestnut Street Emmaus, PA 18049 Or to their attorney: John O. Stover, Jr., Esquire The Roth Law Firm 537 Chestnut Street Emmaus, PA 18049 Feb. 9, 16, 23



**PUBLIC NOTICE  
LYNN TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
CONCISE STATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE - REGULATORY BASIS  
COMBINED FUNDS  
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

ASSETS		
Cash and Cash Equivalents		\$ 2,021,550
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 2,021,550</b>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities		\$ -
Fund Balance		
Committed	1,357,812	
Restricted	440,403	
Unrestricted	223,335	
Total Fund Balance	2,021,550	
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 2,021,550</b>

Balances do not include the fund balances of the fiduciary funds, which includes the Non-Uniform Pension Plan total of \$1,011,802 and escrow funds total of \$437 at December 31, 2021  
LYNN TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA  
CONCISE STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - REGULATORY BASIS  
COMBINED FUNDS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

**REVENUES:**

Taxes-All Sources (Real Estate Assessed Value)	\$ 827,860
Intergovernmental Revenues	570,950
Contributions	132,391
Charges for Services	83,702
Licenses and Permits	57,406
Interest, Rents and Royalties	51,706
Refunds of Prior Year Expenditures	5,823
Unclassified Operating Revenues	7,959
Fines and Forfeits	1,460
Interfund Operating Transfer From Escrow Fund	405
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>1,739,662</b>

**EXPENDITURES:**

Highways and Streets	635,859
Employer Paid Benefits	261,909
General Government	251,532
Public Safety	196,861
Recreation	180,781
Unclassified Operating Expenses	22,381
Health and Sanitation	16,649
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>1,565,972</b>

EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	173,690
FUND BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2020	1,847,860
<b>FUND BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2021</b>	<b>\$ 2,021,550</b>

Amounts do not include additions or deductions of the Fiduciary Fund, which includes an increase of the Non-Uniform Pension fund of \$57,564 and an increase of the escrow fund of \$303

**FIXED ASSET ACCOUNT GROUP SUMMARY AT DECEMBER 31, 2021 REGULATORY BASIS**

Buildings, Bridges, and Parks	\$ 2,186,117
Land	1,044,577
Machinery, Tools & Equipment	980,351
Vehicles	442,193
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,653,238</b>

Published in accordance with Second Class Township Code, Section 904. The annual audit and Department of Community and Economic Development 2021 Municipal Report is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building during normal business hours, Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 4:30 pm.  
Feb. 23

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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Zoning Hearing Board of the Borough of North Catasauqua, PA will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 at 5:30 PM in Borough Hall located at 1066 Fourth Street, North Catasauqua, PA 18032. The subject of the hearing will be the request of:  
The following variances will be discussed:  
APPEAL No. 2021-02A New Image Enterprises LLC and Neel Shall LLC is required to appear before the Borough of North Catasauqua Zoning Hearing Board for a Special Exception Hearing and including a request for variances. The intended subdivision will also propose 4 apartments and single-family dwelling. The property is located at 1021 5th Street (m4se4c370923) in the R2 (Two-family Residential Zoning District). The proposed use is found in the North Catasauqua Zoning Ordinance, Article 4 (Permitted Land Uses per District); Section 402 (R2 Two-family Residential District); 1.3 (Uses by Special Exception); A-5 (Multiplex). This use is a **Special Exception** by ordinance and is permitted by right provided that all the standards and criteria are satisfied with approval & authorization granted by the North Catasauqua Zoning Hearing Board.

- The following variances will be discussed:
- **Z.O. Article 4** Permitted Land Uses, Section 402 R2 two-family residential district, 2. Bulk and Area Requirements, **R-1/R-5 Minimum Lot Width.**
  - **Z.O. Article 4** Permitted Land Uses, **Section 402 R2** two-family residential district, 2. Bulk and Area Requirements, **R-2/R-5 Minimum Yards.**
  - **Z.O. Article 7** Off-street Parking and Loading Regulations, **Section 704** Parking Requirements, 6. Design Standards... 6.2 ... 10 feet from any Property Line...
  - **Z.O. Article 7** Off-street Parking and Loading Regulations, **Section 704** Parking Requirements, 6. Design Standards... 6.3 All parking area shall be physically separated from public street by concrete curb and by a planting strip.
  - **Z.O. Article 5** Use Definitions and Regulations, **Section 502** Use Regulations, R. Residential Uses, R-5 Multiplex, 1. Development Regulations, 1.4 Setbacks, a) Apartment building shall be a minimum of 20 feet from any property line.
  - **Z.O. Article 4** Permitted Land Uses, **Section 402 R2** two-family residential district, 2. Bulk and Area Requirements, **R-5 Minimum Lot Area, 10,000 square feet.** The area of proposed Lot 1 is 8609.46 square feet, a variance from the ordinance of 1390.54 square feet.
  - **Z.O. Article 4** Permitted Land Uses, **Section 402 R2** two-family residential district, 2. Bulk and Area Requirements, **R-5 Building Coverage, 35 percent.** The area of proposed Lot 2 is 5790.54 square feet with a building coverage of 2189 square feet/37.8%, a variance from the ordinance of 163 square feet/2.8%.
  - **Z.O. Article 5** Use Definitions and Regulations, **Section 502** Use Regulations, R. Residential Uses, R-5 Multiplex, 1. Development Regulations, 1.1, Maximum Residential Density, Number of Bedrooms/2 -2500 SF/dwelling unit. Proposed Lot 1 is 8609.46 SF (4 -2 bedroom) with an allowable calculated density of 3.44 units, a variance of 0.64 units. 4 units being allowed on 10,000 SF.
  - **Z.O. Article 5** Use Definitions and Regulations, **Section 502** Use Regulations, R. Residential Uses, R-5 Multiplex, 1. Development Regulations, 1.2, Minimum Lot Area, A lot of not less than 10,000 SF. Proposed Lot 1 is 8609.46 SF, a variance of 1390.54 SF.
  - **Z.O. Article 5** Use Definitions and Regulations, **Section 502** Use Regulations, R. Residential Uses, R-5 Multiplex, 1. Development Regulations, 1.3, Open Space and Community use Area, ...10% of the lot area ...used for open space and/or community use. This was not addressed.
  - **Z.O. Article 5** Use Definitions and Regulations, **Section 502** Use Regulations, R. Residential Uses, R-5 Multiplex, 1. Development Regulations, 1.4, Maximum Residential Density, c) The minimum open space shall be ten percent of lot area. This was not addressed.
  - **Z.O. Article 6** General Regulations, **Section 601** Accessory Structures, 3. Setback Schedule, **R-2 District** 3 feet. The garage as an accessory structure has a required setback of 3 feet from the side property line.

Applicant(s) and/or their representatives are required to attend said hearing and present testimony regarding this matter. All other interested parties may attend. A copy of the aforementioned application can be reviewed at the Borough Hall during established business hours.

David Kutzor  
Zoning Officer  
Keystone Consulting Engineers, Inc.

Feb. 23, Mar. 2

**60 SPECIAL NOTICES**

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Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, is accepting applications until March 31, 2022 for the position of Assistant Zoning Officer. Minimum qualifications include an undergraduate degree in land use planning, public administration or another appropriate field of study, minimum of 3 years' experience as a member of a municipal planning or code department. Valid Pennsylvania driver's license required. Complete job description can be found on [www.lowermac.com/252/Employment](http://www.lowermac.com/252/Employment). Please send resume to Bruce Beitel, Lower Macungie Township, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, PA 18062.

**Elementary School Principal - Effective July 1, 2022**

The Catasauqua School District is in search of a PA-certified Elementary School Principal. Sheckler Elementary is a K-4 community school with approximately 540 students that are instructed by 70 faculty and staff. The ideal candidate will have experience and success in the following areas:  
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Please submit your letter of interest, resume, standard PA application, clearances and 3 letters of reference to [humanresources@cattysd.org](mailto:humanresources@cattysd.org) by Friday, March 4th for consideration. Contact Eric Dauberman at [dauberman@cattysd.org](mailto:dauberman@cattysd.org) with any questions. EOE

**INCOME-EXPENSE COORDINATOR - PT**

position, 6-8 hrs./wk. Accounting/bookkeeping exp., exp. using accounting software/PowerChurch a plus, excellent communication skills, able to maintain confidentiality, willing to complete background check. Send resume to Jordan Lutheran Church, 5103 Snowdrift Rd., Ore field PA 18069 or email [jordanlutheran@ptd.net](mailto:jordanlutheran@ptd.net).

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**THE ROLE OF ENGINE AIR FILTERS**

Vehicle engines include complex parts that work in concert to ensure that the car functions properly. When servicing their cars and trucks, vehicle owners may look to many parts of the engine yet overlook a relatively mundane, albeit important, component: the air filter.

All cars come equipped with air filters, which are essential to optimum engine operation. The engine air filter is the first line of defense against outside air that is being brought in to the car engine to be burned along with fuel to produce combustion. The filter will capture particulate matter that would normally enter a vehicle's engine and leave sediment. The automotive resource It Still Runs says dirty air can reduce engine efficiency and cause damage over time.

Dirty air can compromise the air/fuel mixture that is involved in combustion. Any debris that enters portals in fuel injection systems can compromise that system. In addition, debris can cause fuel to burn less efficiently, resulting in poor fuel economy.

There is no simple answer as to how often an engine air filter should be changed. It largely depends on miles driven and the environment in which the vehicle is used. Those who reside in rural or dusty areas will need to replace air filters more frequently. Drivers also can install air filters more suited to dusty areas.

An engine filter is not the only filter in a vehicle. There also is a cabin air filter. The cabin air filter does not affect engine performance, but it does help to provide clean air inside of the vehicle. The cabin air filter helps to keep dirt, pollen, bacteria, exhaust gases, and dust from entering the HVAC system. It also can be a barrier against bugs, leaves and other particles from clogging up the system. The cabin filter also helps to keep the air fresh and odor-free. A clogged filter can result in diminished heating and air conditioning performance, so it's important to change this filter as well.

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