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PHOTO BY CANDICE WILLIAMS
 Retired Bethlehem Steel engineer Brad Pease studies his notes prior to speaking during a forum to discuss the possibility of reintroducing passenger rail service to the Lehigh Valley.

All aboard? Not quite

Valley train travel to NYC has \$1 billion price tag

By **CANDICE WILLIAMS**
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

It didn't look good when an hour into the evening's Regional Transportation Forum held at the Historic Hotel Bethlehem April 19, not even a hint of a price tag for the proposed commuter rail had been revealed to a packed crowd gathered in the hotel's Grand Ballroom.

It wasn't disclosed until one of the forum's guest speakers, Paul Sullivan of SYSTRA Con-

sulting, Little Falls, N.J., said during his Power Point presentation that estimated costs for the Phillipsburg, N.J., to Allentown link alone would range from \$650 million to \$710 million.

Additional documents revealed another \$400 million is needed to carry the line from Phillipsburg to High Bridge, N.J., where passenger rail is already in service.

Sullivan said estimated passenger projections reveal a

daily commuter count of about 800.

With less than a 1,000 daily riders, are projected costs of about \$15 million per year, enough to warrant the initial expenses, attendees wondered. And, with an annual projected income of about \$3.3 million, the service would require about \$12 million more in government funded subsidies annually.

"The feasibility study project-

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CITY

Council approves late fine increases

By **DOUGLAS GRAVES**
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

Bethlehem City Council referred the parking ordinance amendment (Article 531) to committee at its April 20 meeting. If it is passed as currently drafted, the fine for parking within 15 feet of a fire hydrant or on a crosswalk will increase from \$35 to \$45 if not paid within 14 days. If paid within the grace period, the fine will remain at \$15.

Failure to pay a \$50 fine for unlawful parking in a handicapped space within 14 days will jump to as much as \$200 if citations are issued.

The ordinance also includes increased fines for other violations such as stopping or standing in unauthorized zones, leaving vehicles on private property and for violations involving inoperable or un-stickered vehicles.

Scofflaws run the risk of 10 days imprisonment if convicted.

If passed, the changes to the ordinance, which entitles the city to impound illegally parked vehicles, will extend legal authority to the Parking Authority to remove vehicles. Included in the draft is a provision to impound vehicles with five or more unpaid parking tickets.

The change to the ordinance may take some

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Martin Tower makes the cut

By **KAREN M. SAMUELS**
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

Back in 1966, before the Martin Tower was a gleam in the eye of Bethlehem Steel chairman and chief executive officer Edmund F. Martin, the National Historic Preservation Act was passed in Congress. The act for Historic Sites and Monuments manages the National Register of Historic Places in Pennsylvania.

The historic buildings, objects, and places that are significant in the history of the United States are listed in the National Register of Historic Places.



for nomination.

Now the process requires an expert to submit the form with all the expected documentation. Noble Preservation Services Inc. of Zionsville was contracted by the property owners, Howard Herrick, Norton Herrick and Lewis Ronca, to prepare the Martin Tower survey form.

It has become an expensive procedure with only a small percentage of forms receiving approval by the Bureau. It is not unusual for half the proposed properties for the National Register of Historic Places to be rejected at a meeting of the Pennsylvania Historic Preservation Board. Small local historical societies can no longer afford to participate in this process.

Because of the Preservation Board's tough criteria, local historians were surprised to learn that Martin Tower was determined to be eligible for the national list. The materials and design of Martin Tower were standard for the 1970s. There was nothing innovative or unusual about the building. The National Register criteria asks for buildings to be at least 50 years old. Martin Tower was built 38 years ago.

Priscilla deLeon, president of the Saucon Valley Conservancy, said, "I was surprised because I didn't realize there are exceptions to the 50-year rule."

DeLeon attended the

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Source to you'

energy management plan

O'Huy without proposals by other firms.

Director of the Pa. Electric Power Service, took an advisory role with the school board and the amount of the loan payment. The district would recommend a partnership with a service company to work while the program was being implemented. The program would be funded by the school board and other lenders. The school board would borrow the

money, then pay off that loan by taking the money saved on energy costs.

If the project does not provide sufficient return on the investment, the ESCO would be responsible for paying the shortfall needed to repay the loan and the amount of the loan payment.

The district could educate itself, said Stultz, by sending out requests for proposals (RFP) for an energy plan and gleaning the best ideas from the various responses — then incorporate the borrowed ideas into another RFP for another round of proposals.

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Dean Browning PLAN

Chairman of Lehigh County's Board of Commissioners, who dropped in on Northampton County Council last week

Q&A

BY BERNIE O'HARE



Cunningham is already working on the budget, looking at areas where we can do things better, do things for less money, where we can make cuts and still deliver the services. We are going to do our best to deliver a budget that keeps the tax rate the same. I'm not sure that can be done, but we're going to do our best.

Northampton County has refused to team up with Lehigh for both a regional crime center and a new work release facility. It appears to be likely the county council will also reject the proposed Lehigh Valley Health Department. Is there any area where both counties can work together?

I think there are areas. That's one of the reasons I went to the county council meeting. We've built government structures where the cost is outpacing the revenue. We've got one of three options to solve that. One, we could raise taxes. Two, we can cut the structure, cut services, cut benefits. Or we can take a third approach, and that is look at areas where we can cooperate as governments that are the same in Northampton, Lehigh, Berks, Carbon and Monroe counties. We can combine forces, do things more effectively and more efficiently and save money. I prefer the third option, working together and becoming more efficient.

Is there anything else you'd like Bethlehem Press readers to know about the direction of Lehigh County?

I think the direction of Lehigh County is great. I'm very pleased with what we are doing.

Q It's unusual for a sitting commissioner to visit another county in action. Before visiting Northampton, did you take any precautions, like writing your will or wearing body armor?

A No, but I did let my wife know where I was going to be and I let my fellow commissioners know what I was doing. If they didn't hear from me by the next morning, they knew what to do.

Q You already lead a busy life as CFO at New World Aviation. What made you interested in local government?

A I've lived in Lehigh County over 30 years. I love Lehigh County. It's a great place to live. I wanted to contribute what little I could and take the skills that I have and make sure that Lehigh County continues to be a great place to live and work.

Q You caught some heat from fellow Republicans when you backed Democrat Dan McCarthy as vice chair for Lehigh County's Board of Commissioners and have even complimented Executive Don Cunningham for his approach to rebuilding bridges. Are you building bridges of your own?

A If you take a look at President Obama, one of the things that contributed to his election is his appeal to voters looking for civility, cooperation and results. We are in such difficult times that we need to have a degree of cooperation. No one person, no one party, has all the answers. It's going to take some cooperation among the different parties and those folks who are elected.

Q Speaking of cooperation and difficult times, is there any way Lehigh County can avoid a tax hike next year?

A It is going to be difficult, but I know County Exec

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But once the bid is awarded and contractual terms agreed upon, the ESCO would act as the contractor, arranging for mechanical, electrical and other special skills needed for the job. In general, an ESCO provides a broad range of comprehensive energy solutions, including design and implementation of energy savings projects, energy conservation, energy infrastructure outsourcing, power generation and energy supply. It performs an in-depth analysis of the property, designs an energy efficient solution, installs the required elements and maintains the system to ensure energy savings during a payback period. The savings in energy costs can be used to pay back the capital investment of the project over a five- to 20-year period, or can be re-invested into the facilities to allow for capital upgrades.

"This is a fiscal tool," Stultz said. "You need to stay involved with the project — [the] ESCO doesn't do it all. You have to have people involved with the process." Among the keys to success, Stultz said, are communications, establishing short- and long-term goals and setting objectives. "We want to be a resource to you," he said. In related business, Stacy Gober, the assistant to the superintendent for finance and administration, introduced the possibility of leasing existing school rooftop space to install solar panels. She said that the school could then buy electricity through the provider at less than would be paid to PPL. Because of the out-of-pocket expense and market risk in buying and installing the solar panels, it would be best to lease them. According to Fazil, there is a 30 percent tax credit available to for-profit companies for solar panels, but this tax credit is not available to non-profit companies. This makes leasing a solar panel system more desirable than for BASD to try to buy and operate such a system. Typical leasing agreements call for a 20-year lease with a provider with possible buy-back or upgrade agreements.



PRESS PHOTO BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

Bruce Stultz, director of the Pa. Dept. of General Services, explains at an April 12 school board meeting how Bethlehem Area School District could enter into a partnership with the state which would recommend certified energy service companies and be a resource available to the school district.

able than for BASD to try to buy and operate such a system. Typical leasing agree-

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abandoned vehicles off city streets which would be welcome news to resident Eddy Rodriguez, who told council that he is "sick and tired" of the police ignoring abandoned vehicles.

In other business, City Council approved resolutions requested by Mayor John Callahan to request grants from the Pa. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) to renovate Higbee Park. Callahan said that additional funding and volunteer labor from local school children will be used. He invited council members to join him in working at the park.

"This is the kind of citizen-city-state effort I can support," said Councilwoman Karen Dolan. "I love to see things done that way."

The city is partnering with the KaBoom organization to renovate the westside park. The renovation will add more green space, a new play system, landscaping and handicapped parking space. Funding in the amount of \$60,000 will come from DCNR. This will be matched with \$15,000 from the city's parks capital plus city in-kind work prepping the area, and \$35,380 from KaBoom for the cost of the new play system.



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Mayor John Callahan invited City Council members to join him in working at Higbee Park at council's April 20 meeting.

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Wednesday, April 28

The **Bethlehem Area Public Library's** fashion show to benefit "Room To Grow," 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Hotel Bethlehem, 437 Main St. Fee. Call 610-867-3761, ext. 259 or visit www.bapl.org

Angel34 Foundation's bone marrow donor drive for Derek Graffis, 1 to 4 p.m., First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, 2344 Center St. For information, call 610-533-1923.

Chamber of Commerce walk at work day, noon to 1 p.m., 561 Main St. To register, e-mail melody@lehighvalleychamber.org.

Bethlehem Planning Commission meeting, 4 p.m. at Town Hall, 10 E. Church St.

Bethlehem Parking Authority meeting, 4:30 p.m. at 85 W. North St.

Bethlehem Zoning Hearing Board meeting, 7 p.m. at Town Hall, 10 E. Church St.

Bethlehem Township Zoning Hearing Board, 7 p.m. at Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Ave.

Lehigh County Board of Commissioners meeting, 7:30 p.m., public hearing room, Lehigh County Government Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown

Thursday, April 29

Family Place Next Step play-date, 10 to 11 a.m., Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St., www.bapl.org/wordpress or phone 610 867-3761, ext. 499.

Bethlehem Health Bureau walks along the Greenway, noon to 1 p.m., start at the grassy area of the Comfort Suites, 120 W. Third St. Parking is available in the Comfort Suites lot. Call 610-997-3562.

Saturday, May 1

Fifth annual **Race for Adam** (Bethlehem Township student) for a Cure for Childhood Alzheimer's, 9 a.m., race at 10 a.m., Lehigh Parkway, Allentown. Call 610-351-8118.

Saucon Valley Conservancy annual plant and community yard sale, 9 a.m. to noon, Heller Homestead, 1890-92 Friedensville Road (Water Street), Lower Saucon Township; rain or shine. Call 610-216-0566.

Via's Clothing Drive will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Westgate Mall parking lot, Schoenersville Road. For more information, visit www.ViaNet.org.

Third Young Artists Exhibit, through May 30, reception 10 a.m. to noon, May 1, Heller Homestead, 1890-92 Friedensville Road (Water Street), Lower Saucon Township; rain or shine. Call 610-216-0566.

River Fusion — Illick's Mill benefit, 3 to 9 p.m., Illick's Mill Road.

Bethany U.C.C.'s "All-You-Can-Eat" Mexican buffet from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the church, 600 W. Market St. There is a charge. For information, call 610-868-4441.

Touchstone Theatre's fifth annual Young Playwrights' Festival, 7:30 p.m. at Zoellner Arts Center, 420 E. Packer Ave. Afterward, there will be a dessert reception gala in the Lehigh University Art Gallery. There is a cost. Call 610-867-1689 or visit www.touchstone.org.

Sunday, May 2

Relay for Life 5K Walk/Run for the American Cancer Society, 10 a.m., at Freedom HS. To register in advance, call 908-770-9838 or e-mail lindseyanderson2010@gmail.com.

Easton Municipal Band and Liberty Alumni Band John Philip Sousa concert, 2 p.m. at Hanover Township Community Center, 3660 Jacksonville Road. Free. Call 610-866-1140.

Monday, May 3

First Presbyterian Church Hi Neighbors, 10 a.m., Rajah Shriners' Tin Lizzies with Bruce Johnson; 11:15 a.m., Dutch Springs with Jason Chartrand; at the church, 2344 Center St.

Bethlehem Area School Board Facilities Committee meeting, 6 p.m. at Education Center dining room, 1516 Sycamore St.

Harry F.W. Johnson Post #379 of the American Legion meeting, 7:30 p.m., DAR Log Cabin, Rose Garden, Eighth Avenue and West Union Boulevard. Call 610-866-3835.

About South Bethlehem meeting, 7 p.m. at Cathedral Church of the Nativity, 321 Wyandotte St. Call 610-865-0727.

Bethlehem Township Board of Commissioners meeting, 7 p.m. at Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Ave.

Fountain Hill Council meeting, 7 p.m. at 941 Long St.

Freemansburg Council meeting, 7 p.m., 600 Monroe St.

Hellertown Council meeting, 7 p.m. at 685 Main St.

Bethlehem Area School Board Human Resources Committee meeting, 7:15 p.m. at Education Center dining room, 1516 Sycamore St.

Hanover Township Planning Commission meeting, 7:30 p.m., 3630 Jacksonville Road

United Veterans of Bethlehem meeting, 7:30 p.m., 7 p.m. DAR Log Cabin, Rose Garden, Eighth Avenue and West Union Boulevard. Call 610-866-3835.

Tuesday, May 4

Bethlehem City Council meeting, 7 p.m. at Town Hall, 10 E. Church St.

Freemansburg Planning Commission meeting, 7 p.m. at 600 Monroe St.

Hanover Township Special Events Committee meeting, 7 p.m. at 3630 Jacksonville Road

Candidates night, 138th, 137th legislative districts, 7 p.m., Wind Gap Fire Company, off Route 33 near the Route 512 intersection. For information, call 610-252-1339.

Wednesday, May 5

HARB meeting, 4 p.m. at Town Hall at 10 E. Church St.

To have an event listed, contact George Taylor at 610-625-2121, ext. 3112, gtaylor@tmonline.com or fax 610-625-2126.

RAIL

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ed costs were not as optimistic as we had hoped," said Bethlehem Mayor John B. Callahan. "But we must persist in working towards rail service and other public transit initiatives."

Bruce E. Davis, co-founder, Route 22 Coalition, said in an interview prior to the forum that while the Lehigh Valley in recent history has welcomed an influx of new residents, the Route 22 Corridor continues to be overburdened with commuter and commercial traffic.

"Something needs to be done," Davis said. He remains steadfast in his belief that to expand Route 22 from four to six lanes is the way to go.

"I'm very concerned about the continuing erosion of our roadways and bridges, too," he added. "We must address these issues."

Sponsored by Lehigh and Northampton counties, with additional support donated by the Lehigh Valley Economic Development Corporation, "The Central New Jersey Raritan Valley Transit Study" cost \$250,000. Each county chipped in \$75,000 and LVEDC donated \$150,000, said Steven Bliss of Renew Lehigh Valley.

Forum participants also discussed how a balanced, multimodal transportation system could help promote economic development, the continued revitalization of the region's core communities, and sustainable growth in the Lehigh Valley.

With more than 35 years of transit and community planning experience, keynote speaker David Taylor, HDR Inc. senior vice president, addressed a litany of transportation



PRESS PHOTOS BY CANDICE WILLIAMS

Keynote speaker David Taylor puts the finishing touches to his formal presentation before government officials, business leaders, area realtors and concerned citizens.



LANTA's Armand Greco and Olev Taremae, LVPC chief planner, discuss results of the Central New Jersey Raritan Valley Transit Study report that highlights the possibility of bringing commuter train back to the region.

and economic development issues that currently and in the future will affect many communities across the United States.

In addition to guest speakers, the forum hosted both a panel discussion and a question and answer period. Topics highlighted how the Lehigh Valley possibly could move forward with transportation and transit-oriented development. Moderated by Deana Zosky, RenewLV co-chair, the panel included

Taylor and Bob McNamara, senior policy representative for Smart Growth, National Association of REALTORS; Armand Greco, executive director, LANTA; Joe Gurinko, chief transportation planner, Lehigh Valley Planning Commission; Adam Krom, a transportation planner.

"I've had a life time experience of riding trains, both for business and pleasure," train enthusiast Brad Pease of Allentown said

"Fifty years ago, the Lehigh Valley Rail Road ran from Bethlehem to Penn Station, New York, in under two hours."

BRAD PEASE

as he addressed the guest panel. "It started at the age of 3 when my mother took me to see my grandparents in Colorado. I've been riding trains ever since."

Pease asked the panel if Amtrak had been involved in the study.

"Using modern equipment on the old Lehigh Valley Rail Road route to New York which is now the Norfolk Southern would be an hour faster than the Raritan Valley line used in this study," Pease said. "Fifty years ago, the Lehigh Valley Rail Road ran from Bethlehem to Penn Station, New York, in under two hours."

Pease said Amtrak's long range plans include a route from Harrisburg through Reading, the Lehigh Valley and Newark to Penn Station, N.Y.

"Depending on the circumstances, Amtrak could pay much of the start-up costs which would be a relief for the local community," he added.

While panelists agreed Pease's suggestions merited value.

The event was presented by the National Association of REALTORS and the Lehigh Valley Association of REALTORS (LVAR). Event sponsors also include the Lehigh Valley Economic Development Corporation and the Lehigh Valley Partnership.

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Preservation Board meeting April 6, when Martin Tower received the board's approval. She was there for another property, the Heller Homestead in Lower Saucon Township. The Heller Homestead, built in 1752, also received the board's approval.

Sue Horiszny, president of Lower Saucon Township Historical Society, was also surprised at the board's decision. Horiszny oversees the preservation of the Lutz-Franklin Schoolhouse, a property that was listed on the National Register in 2009.

"At our Harrisburg nomination meeting last year, I was very impressed with the historical significance of the different sites around Pennsylvania being nominated and discussed," she said. "I don't feel Martin Tower has the same historical significance. I see Martin Tower as representing modern day opulence."

Joan Campion, who founded the South Bethlehem Historical Society in 1985, also was baffled by

the decision.

"It looks like historical special pleading to me — especially since the REAL history of Bethlehem Steel was forged on the SouthSide," she said. "Indeed, you could argue that Martin Tower was an expression of corporate hubris, erected in the waning days of the corporation. I hope good business or public service uses are found for the building, since I am all for rehabilitation."

It is clear that city officials want to see Martin Tower successfully developed. They have accommodated the property owners by granting various designations that make Martin Tower eligible for publicly funded grants.

In 2006, the Bethlehem City Planning Commission Board established Martin Tower as a Landmark Conservation and Traditional Neighborhood

Development Overlay District, to allow flexibility in zoning codes.

In 2008, the Planning Commission approved the designation of "blight" for Martin Tower to enable the owners to qualify for state and federal low-interest loans.

In 2009, members of City Council adopted a resolution for funding of \$1.25 million, from the state funded Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program, to assist the owners in the construction of a parking garage.

Tony Hanna, Bethlehem's director of community and economic development, also attended the April 6 Historic Preservation board meeting, in Harrisburg.

Hanna said he is pleased with the nomination.

"This is a very significant building for Bethlehem history, Bethlehem Steel history, the history of

the steel industry in America and the Bethlehem skyline," he said.

"It is the tallest building in the Lehigh Valley. The city created the Overlay District to allow the owners flexibility with developing the surrounding acreage only if they preserved Martin Tower," Hanna added.

Now, with the inevitable listing on the National Register, the owners may be eligible for a 20 percent investment tax credit. They also qualify to apply for federal grants for historic preservation.

Local historian Barbara Ryan also attended the board meeting and summed up her impressions of the proceedings.

"The committee really liked the nomination, but I didn't," she said. "In the end, they approved the nomination as a way to memorialize 'corporate failure' so we can learn from history and not repeat the same mistakes. I don't see why they wouldn't also nominate any other business that went sour because of poor business management or a change in the times."

"I don't feel Martin Towers has the same historical significance. I see Martin Towers as representing modern day opulence."

SUE HORISZNY

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AREA DEATHS

Donald M. Koehler
of Bethlehem

Donald M. Koehler, 84, of Bethlehem, died April 18, 2010, in St. Luke's Hospital. Born in Bethlehem, he was a son of the late Forrest and Mary (Ritter) Koehler. He was the husband of Lorraine (Miller) Koehler for 62 years.

A World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy, he served in the Pacific Theatre.

He was a former member of St. Thomas U.C.C. Church, Bethlehem.

He was a former member of the Altonah Cemetery Board. He played in the Bethlehem Interchurch Dart Baseball League for many years.



In addition to his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Donna and her husband Stephen Schwalm of Harrisburg and Karen and her husband Ronald Gotto of Emmaus; two brothers, Gerald and his wife Liesl and Richard and his wife Linda, all of Bethlehem; and five grandchildren, Craig and his wife Deanna Schwalm, Carrie and her husband Chris Wilson, Corey Schwalm, Lindsay and her husband Paul Anderson and Lauren Gotto.

Contributions may be given to the American Lung Association, 2121 City Line Road, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

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

Julia E. Schaffer
formerly of Macungie

Julia E. Schaffer, 58, of Bethlehem, formerly of Macungie, died April 19, 2010, at Lehigh Valley Hospital - Muhlenberg Campus, Bethlehem.

Born in New York City - Harlem, N.Y., she was the daughter of the late Cesar Peralta and Lydia (Lopez) Peralta who resides in New York City, N.Y.

She was a stay at home mother raising her two daughters and now enjoying her grandchildren.

She is survived by her mother; two daughters, Amy Jacobs of Lehigh-ton, and Melissa A. Jacobs



of Catasauqua; one sister, Elsa Damato of Secaucus, N.J.; six grandchildren, Sam, Alaina, Joseph, Cheyenne, Zachary and Aiden; a niece, Lori; and nephews, David and Danny. She was predeceased by a sister, Thelma Ceeley in 2000.

Contributions may be made to The Christopher & Dana Reeves Foundation, c/o 636 Morris Turnpike, Suite 3A, Short Hills, N.J. 07078.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. May 12, at the Schisler Funeral Home, 2119 Washington Ave., Northampton where the family will greet friends and family from 2 to 3 p.m. prior to the service.

Clarice Workman
Of Westminster Village

Clarice Workman, 94, of Allentown, died April 22, 2010, in the Westminster Village Health Center.

Born in Montreal, Canada, she became an American citizen in 1951. She was the wife of the late Andrew Better for 36 years and the late Joseph E. Workman for nine years.

She worked in the Bethlehem Steel Company Shipbuilding Division, New York City and then transferred to the Bethlehem plant. She retired as director of salary administration in 1978.

She was involved in



activities at both First Presbyterian Church, Bethlehem and Westminster Village.

She is survived by a stepson, Joseph M. Workman of Bethlehem; a stepdaughter, Ann Cirucci of Easton; a brother, Thomas K. and his wife Evelyn Turner of Middlebury, Vt.; a sister, Beryl Spidel of Montreal, Canada; nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by two sisters, Kathleen and Joyce.

Contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church, 2344 Center St., Bethlehem, PA 18017, or Westminster Village, 803 N. Wahneta St., Allentown, PA 18109.

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

Samuel Fink
Fink Supply owner

Samuel Fink, 91, formerly of Bethlehem, died April 18, 2010, in the Harrisburg Hospital. He was the son of Benjamin and Sadie (Grossman) Fink. He was the husband of Ann (Sarachek) Fink of Harrisburg for 58 years.

He joined the Army Air Corps during World War II, flying more than 40 missions over Europe as the nose gunner in a B-24 bomber.

He followed his father into business at the family's Fink Supply on Third and Taylor streets. He was salesman after the war.

He was a member of Congregation Brith Sholom, Bethlehem.

In addition to his wife,

he is survived by two sons, Jud and his wife Lisa of New Tripoli and Seth of Salt Lake City, Utah; a daughter, Debbie and her husband David Kornblatt of Bryn Mawr; and two grandchildren, Robbie and Jack Kornblatt.

Contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 212 E. Broad St., Bethlehem, PA 18018, Congregation Brith Sholom, 1190 W. Macada Road, Bethlehem, PA 18017, or The Jewish Home of Greater Harrisburg, 4000 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg, PA 17112.

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

Center honors volunteers

By DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Miller-Keystone Blood Center honored its valued volunteers at a luncheon April 17 at the Sheraton Four Points on Airport Road.

"I would like to extend a collective thank you," said Vice President of Administration Joseph Yelo, addressing the volunteers in the hotel's banquet room.

"Our continued success and growth is shared with all of you. Thank you for your time, talent and abilities throughout our growing organization. Without you we could not meet the challenges of growth."

In addition to token gifts to the mostly retired volunteers in appreciation for service, Nazareth HS senior Melissa Hornick received a \$1,000 scholarship. She has been a volunteer for three years.

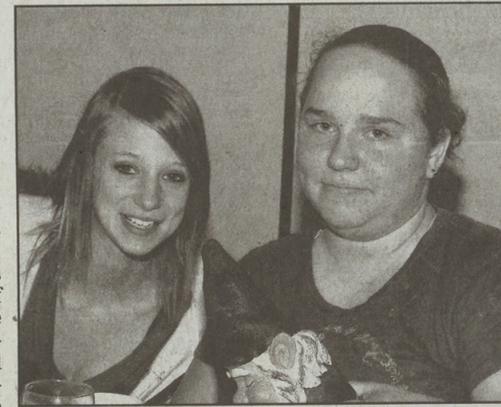
Hornick is an honor student with perfect attendance who was recommended for the scholarship by her school principal. She plans to attend the Indiana University of Pennsylvania and study nursing.

Miller-Keystone executives recognized volunteers with hours of service ranging from 100 to 13,000 hours.

During the year 2009, more than 500 volunteers donated over 25,000 hours of service, supporting the Blood Center's crucial mission as the exclusive blood supplier to regional hospitals. The volunteers, who include retirees, business people and high school and college students, assist in a variety of positions, including donor aides, canteen attendants, telephone



Jean Achey of Bethlehem has donated more hours than any of the other volunteers recognized April 17. Achey, with 13,618 hours, was awarded an all-weather jacket in appreciation of her work.



Rebecca Merkiel and her friend Taylor Faraldo, both students at Liberty HS, enjoy volunteering at Miller-Keystone Blood Center. They get school credit for volunteering.

LOCAL HONOREES

The following Bethlehem area volunteers achieved more than 1,000 hours:

Jean Achey - 13,618
Ann Andres - 3,500
Tom Defilippo - 2,500
Joyce Cropper - 1,500
Joanne Stewart - 1,500
Mardi Metzger - 1,000

reminder callers and office support. These volunteers assist in the operations at the Blood Center's sites in Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Hazleton, Reading and Wind Gap; and at more than 2,000 annual bloodmobiles throughout eastern Pennsylvania and western New Jersey.

Miller-Keystone Blood Center currently serves as the only blood provider to hospitals in nine Pennsylvania and New Jersey counties. Last year, the Blood Center scheduled more than 120,000 donors, collecting nearly 101,000 units of blood, which were processed into more than 175,000 life-saving blood products.

Other volunteers got lucky as their winning numbers were called as raffle tickets were drawn.

Liberty HS student Rebecca Merkiel won a garden gnome.

She was at the luncheon with her friend Taylor Faraldo, also a Liberty student. The girls said they get community service credit at school for volunteering in the community.

For more information on volunteer opportunities with the Blood Center, call the Volunteer Office at 610-691-5850, or visit the center's Web site at www.GIVEaPINT.org.

Rubber sheeting old maps
Bucknell professor says maps help young students learn a sense of place and space

By KAREN M. SAMUELS
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Did you ever look at an old map and wish you could identify exactly where the features are located today? Over time, town boundaries shift, villages disappear or roads get straightened.

Dr. Katherine M. Faull of Bucknell University demonstrated at the Friends' Day Lecture at the Moravian Archives March 21 how she successfully melds hand-drawn 17th and 18th century maps with Google Earth and geographic information system (GIS) maps.

The antique map becomes a layer of information upon which satellite maps, aerial maps and other data are superimposed. Faull pinpoints geographic features that change the least — mountain ridges, rivers and springs — then aligns the old map with a current map to reveal the locations of long lost trails, settlements and graveyards.

She calls this "rubber sheeting" or "georectifying." The old maps were drawn by explorers without the advantage of a satellite view.

Sometimes you need to stretch and manipulate the old maps to line up with the accurate satellite images. The possibilities are endless with the kinds of information that can be added to the old maps. Data on hundreds of years of tracking weather, population or land use could be added as layers to the map.

Faull emphasized that maps help young students learn a sense of place and space.

The Moravian Archives staff laid out several 18th century maps from their collection for the 60 or more guests to survey.

Lanie Graf, assistant



Dr. Katherine M. Faull of Bucknell University answers questions at the Friends' Day Lecture at the Moravian Archives.



The Rev. Dr. Carl A. Meilicke and his wife Eugenia Meilicke. Rev. Meilicke was the head pastor at Central Moravian Church (1926-1941.) The photo is a part of the Moravian Archives exhibit on "Countenance."

archivist, announced the opening of the exhibit, "The Health of Thy Countenance." The exhibit honors the 250th anniversary of the Moravian leader, Count Nicholas Ludwig von Zinzendorf's death.

During a sermon, Zinzendorf discussed his belief that facial expressions revealed the state of one's soul and relationship with Jesus Christ. He observed that true Christians should "never be out of countenance." Countenance is the expression of the face which tells the world the state of mind of the owner.

To coincide with the exhibit, the Moravian Archives is holding an art contest for adults and teens. They are accepting entries of two-dimensional art pieces (painting, drawing, photograph, collage or other media) by August 31. The artwork cannot exceed 36 by 36 feet. Winners will be announced at a reception Sept. 21. Contact the Moravian Archives at 41 West Locust St., Bethlehem, 610-866-9210 for more information.

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STATE POLICE

Thefts

Colonial Regional Police arrested two people in separate incidents at Lower Nazareth Township stores in early April.

According to police, 24-year-old Stephanie Santana-Vasquez, of Bethlehem, was observed attempting to leave Kohl's with clothing she did not pay for April 15. Santana-Vasquez had more than \$95 worth of merchandise on her person when police responded to the call. She is cited for retail theft.

Around 11 a.m. April 9, a young man was stopped by Walmart store security for attempting to steal clothes hangers. Police arrived and took 21-year-old Charles West, of 10th Street in Bethlehem, into custody. He allegedly wanted the hangers to unlock his vehicle because he accidentally locked the keys inside.

When officers took West to his car, they plainly saw on the front seat a cigar and a \$50 bill enfolding marijuana. Additional marijuana was found in the center console. West is charged with retail theft, possession of a small amount of marijuana and possession of paraphernalia.

CITY POLICE

Trespassing

A Berks County man broke into a home in the 2000 block of West Broad Street around 2 a.m. April 4 and was arrested shortly thereafter.

According to police, 27-year-old Aaron Michael Ward, of Sinking Spring, was grossly intoxicated and thought he was at his home. He banged on a neighbor's door, causing the resident to call police, before attempting to enter the next house.

Police said Ward stripped himself of everything but his shirt, tossing the clothes in the yard, and smashed the glass in the front door to gain entry. "He was just plain drunk," police said. "Apparently he had a hell of a night."

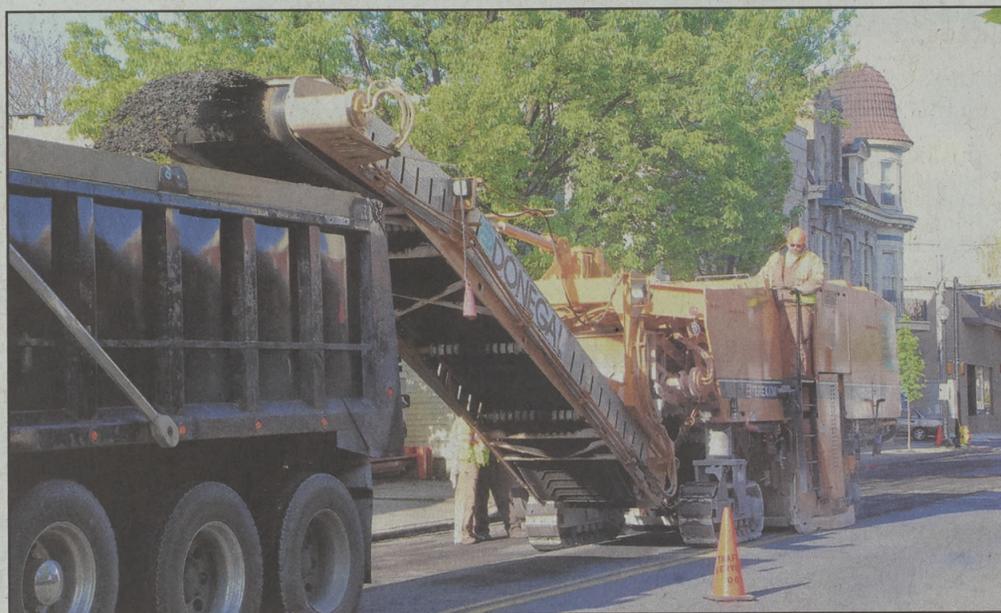
Ward is charged with criminal trespass, disorderly conduct, public drunkenness and criminal mischief.

Assault

Police are seeking two men responsible for stabbing a 22-year-old East Lehigh Street resident around 5 a.m. April 2.

According to police, an altercation in the 1300 block of Fritz Drive ended with the man fleeing with several stab wounds, including at least one in his abdomen. Panicked and unsure of the extent of his injuries, the victim drove to his girlfriend's home, and she brought him to St. Luke's Hospital. He was admitted in serious condition, but has improved, police said.

The suspects are known to the victim, police said, and are wanted on charges including criminal conspiracy, criminal attempt, simple assault, reckless endangerment and aggravated assault.



A milling machine creeps along East Third Street near Webster Street, grinding up the old road surface and depositing it into a dump truck.

Beware: Road work ahead!

By DANA GRUBB
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Motorists commuting to work Monday, April 19, were greeted with lane restrictions and closings as milling of East Third Street from Fillmore to Webster streets got underway. Work crews from general contractor Bracalente Construction Inc. and sub-contractor Donegal Construction milled two inches off the existing roadway prior to making some repairs to the base underneath and then repaving and lining the new macadam roadway.

The project, which is being funded by the Sands Casino Resort Bethlehem,

is part of a traffic improvement plan being completed this summer as a result of the development of the casino, which opened in May 2009. Columbia Street between Polk and Webster streets, signalization improvements on Pembroke Road at the Washington Street intersection heading into Freemansburg and at the intersection of Shimersville Road and East Fourth Street, as well as the repaving of Shimersville Road from East Fourth Street to the Freemansburg Bridge are also part of the plan.

Phase I of the East Third Street repaving took about a week. The

second phase will be completed this week from Webster to South New streets, and the third phase will replace the South New Street approach to the Fahy Bridge according to the city's traffic coordinator Frank Barron. The entire project should take about three weeks according to Barron.

In addition to the aforementioned improvements, commuters and residents are also facing delays in other areas of the Southside community with construction underway to improve Daly Avenue at the southern terminus of the Minsi Trail Bridge and near the West Third

Street and Brodhead Avenue area as PennDOT begins to construct a new ramp to the Hill to Hill Bridge.

Barron also expects the reconstruction of Pa. Route 412 to begin in spring 2011 as that road is rebuilt from the Interstate 78 interchange near the Bethlehem and Hellertown municipal boundary up to the Heights Bridge at Daly Avenue and West Fourth Street.

Motorists are advised to watch for updates to any of the project timetables and detours designed to move traffic around the construction areas.

Burglary

A resident in the 2200 block of Easton Avenue reported his home was burglarized around 7:45 p.m. April 20.

According to police, entry was gained through an unlocked rear door. The unknown parties stole a .25 caliber Phoenix Raven pistol, loose change, a set of flatware, a pair of white sneakers, a bottle of Jameson Irish Whiskey and a banjo clock from a living room wall.

Theft

A man in the 1400 block of Marvine Street reported a theft from his car around 7:45 a.m. March 19.

According to police, the 47-year-old man found unknown persons had, overnight, replaced his car battery with an old one. Police said such incidents occur with random parts, such as tires gone missing when neighbors or passers-by suffer problems with their own cars and seek quick replacements.

Robbery

A man reported he was robbed in the 600 block of Pawnee Street around 2 p.m. April 14.

According to police, the 37-year-old victim was approached by a young man who knocked the wallet out of his hand. The suspect then grabbed up \$60 that fell from the wallet and ran off toward the 500 block.

Police describe the suspect as Hispanic, in his late teens or early 20s, wearing a white shirt, blue jeans and white, red and black Jordan sneakers. The victim was not wholly cooperative.

Brawl

Police arrested five people April 4 following a large fight at Starters Riverport around 1 a.m.

The conflict began for unknown reasons on the dance floor and escalated when someone threw a glass. At least nine people were involved until security guards joined the fray, at which point they were jumped.

Police arrived and were also jumped by the brawlers. One man was Tasered and arrests were made. One security guard was sent to the hospital with a head injury, as were the Tasered man and a woman. All were treated and released.

Anisha L. Velez, 26, and Edwin Lee Pagan, 21, both of East Green Street in Allentown, are charged with harassment. Michael Pagan, 26, of East Linden Street in Allentown, is charged with obstruction of administration of law, disorderly conduct and harassment. Alicia Cruz, 26, also of East Linden Street, is charged with disorderly conduct, obstruction of administration of law and resisting arrest. Davi Miguel Ramos, 21, of Wyandotte Street, is charged with disorderly conduct, public drunkenness and aggravated assault.

Ramos was remanded to Northampton County Prison on \$30,000 bail. The others were processed and released.

Council OK's human resources director

By CAROL SMITH
csmith@tnonline.com

As a former Allentown assistant solicitor, Northampton County's new director of human resources will have plenty of opportunity to use her labor and employment experience.

Upon the recommendation of Northampton County Council's Personnel Committee and Northampton County Executive John Stoffa, council at its April 22 meeting unanimously approved Patricia Ann Siemiontkowski as the new director of human resources.

Siemiontkowski, whose first day will be May 3, will earn a salary of \$76,997.

Stoffa told council that out of the 38 resumes reviewed for the position formerly held by Connie Sutton-Falk, Siemiontkowski's public experience made her the top candidate for the director's job.

Siemiontkowski, a Bucks County resident, has experience with labor and employment litigations generated from grievances and unfair labor practices which was gained as a deputy solicitor for Philadelphia.

The new HR director said the three different interviews con-

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Patricia Ann Siemiontkowski is Northampton County's new director of human resources.

ducted by the selection committee presented her with scenarios on how she would conduct investigations into harassment claims and how she would handle employee discipline.

Siemiontkowski said she sees her biggest challenge as establishing a rapport and trust with the union leaders. She said her director's goal is to make sure county employees are treated with dignity and fairly compensated.

Siemiontkowski has an undergraduate degree in Urban Studies and a law degree from Temple University.

Not everyone was as confident that the Stoffa administration had chosen the best candidate for the human resources position.

As part of the meeting's courtesy of the floor, members of the county's Afro-American Committee questioned Siemiontkowski's lack of human services experience. The Afro-American committee's candidate was in the final three and had all the qualifications for the job. Francis Ketchem, a spokeswoman for the committee, wanted answers to how the decision to hire Siemiontkowski, who is white, was made.

Ketchem said, "There are very few faces that look like mine as I walk through this courthouse." The county's administrative offices are in Northampton County Courthouse in Easton. The Afro-American Committee's goal is to insure the diversification of county jobs.

Since council has no hiring authority, Council President Ron Angle advised the committee members to meet with Stoffa to have their concerns addressed.

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After Death?
Dr. Maurice Rawlings, cardiologist and professor of medicine at the University of Tennessee College of Medicine in Chattanooga, and his colleagues constantly treat emergency patients, many of whom have near-death experiences. A study on these cases was in *Omni* magazine.
Dr. Rawlings obtains information from his patients by interviewing them immediately following resuscitation while they are very much in touch with their experience. Nearly fifty percent reported lakes of fire, devil-like figures and other sights reflecting hell. "Just listening to these patients has changed my whole life," claims Dr. Rawlings. "There is a life after death, and if I don't know where I'm going, it's not safe to die."
Jesus warned of the "danger of hell fire" and of being "cast into hell fire" (Matt. 5:22, 18:9). He told of a rich man's horrifying experience, "in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments" (Luke 16:23). In Matthew 16:23 Jesus asked, "how can ye escape the damnation of hell?" That question is clearly answered in the last book of the Bible, "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire" (Rev. 20:15). To escape hell, one's name must be "in the book of life!" In the next chapter we read of the beautiful heavenly city of God and then we read that only those whose names "are written in the Lamb's book of life" can enter it (Rev. 21:27). How does one get his name written into that book? He must entirely place his trust in Jesus Christ—The Only Way to heaven (see www.naog.ws/theway.htm) and repent of his sins asking Jesus to save him. See www.naog.ws/message.htm for help on how to do this and how to know where you are going after death!

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PRESS PHOTO BY H.L. STONE

Executive Director of the Children's Coalition of the Lehigh Valley Carol Obando-Derstine brings people up to date on the development of a new Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) for Northampton County.

Handling child abuse, neglect

Northampton Co. moves ahead with Advocacy Center

By H.L. STONE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

It's about children, coordination and collaboration.

A Northampton County group has been granted \$235,000 seed money to start a Children's Advocacy Center aimed at coordinating efforts of the medical community, law enforcement, courts, victim advocacy groups and the county's Children, Youth, and Families (CYF) division. The objective is to create a better, more cost effective way of dealing with allegations of child abuse or neglect.

"This is such a great chance for the children of Northampton County," said Carol Obando-Derstine, executive director of the Children's Coalition of the Lehigh Valley.

The new CAC would work to create a more accurate and child-considerate abuse assessment

environment by moving the process away from the emergency room and having qualified pediatricians or nurse practitioners skilled in dealing with children rather than triage doctors provide assessment services.

Dr. Leo Heitlinger, chair of pediatrics at St. Luke's Health Network, says there are notable differences in assessments made by pediatricians as compared to those made by ER doctors because pediatricians may know how to better identify signs of abuse, both physical and mental, based on their greater experience with children. Heitlinger also chairs the proposed CAC's Medical and Mental Health Subcommittee.

The CAC also hopes to provide its medical professionals with cutting-edge training for dealing with children and families in these abuse situa-

tions. This is one of the CAC's most important goals: providing services that are more cost effective than emergency room treatment while reducing child trauma resulting from investigations of abuse.

Other topics discussed at the recent April 14 and 19 meetings included the issue of mental health coverage and services, possible locations, community outreach and protocols necessary to move forward.

A door-to-door survey by the staff of City of Bethlehem Health Director Judy Maloney determined a definite need for increased services of this nature.

"This just reinforces what we're doing. The number one issue [they found] was child abuse and neglect. This is exactly the point of this and

we're responding to the community," said Obando-Derstine. "This is an issue that cuts across race, ethnicity and socioeconomic status."

Funds to start the proposed CAC come from monies earmarked by U.S. Congressman Charlie Dent, (R-15).

"This was something the county had talked about for a very long time," said Obando-Derstine. Additional funding for operating costs will temporarily come from the budget for the Children, Youth and Families Division (CYF) of Northampton County, however, Obando-Derstine envisions a private/public partnership for the future with operating capital garnered from a variety of sources including grants, community support, philanthropic endeavors and fundraising efforts.

Northampton Community College Chorus presents April 30 concert

The NCC Chorus, Bel Canto Dalle Stelle will hold a public concert, "In Celebration of the Human Spirit," at 7:30 p.m. April 30 in the Lipkin Theatre of Kopechek Hall. Selections include "The Impossible Dream," "Song of the Mira," "I Believe," "You Raise Me Up," "The Armed Forces Salute," "With a Voice of Singing," "If" (the poem by Rudyard Kipling) and "The Lord Bless You and Keep You."

Student Vince Rostkowski will conduct "Song of the Mira" and guest conductor attorney Richard Haber will conduct "You Raise Me Up." There will be a piano solo performed by accompanist Lyel Bram Rader.

Admission is either a nonperishable food item to benefit the homeless or a minimum donation to the Vocal Music Scholarship.

For more information, call 610-861-4541, ext. 1171 or e-mail rhaber@northampton.edu.

Student Fine Arts Exhibit opens May 3

The annual fine arts students exhibition will be held May 3 through 16 in the Main Campus Gallery. The exhibit will include paintings, drawings, sculpture and mixed/experimental media.

There will be an artists' talk at 3:30 p.m. May 6 in College Center, room 146. Participating students will show slides of their artwork and speak about their experiences during the semester. The talk is followed by an opening reception from 5 to 6 p.m.

Local students whose art will be displayed include Howard Crockett, Rachael Pietkiewicz, Amber Remaley and Liz Ronneberg.

Armed Forces Week events planned

There will be exhibits and a yellow ribbon of tape on which to place quarters as part of Lehigh Valley Armed Forces Week 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 4 at the Quad. All money raised will benefit the "NCC Tribute to the Troops Project" and the Lehigh Valley Military Affairs Council (LVMAC).

Fresh baked goods, snacks and drinks will be available for sale.

The college's Band of Brothers Club raises awareness of the contributions and sacrifices that soldiers make. The club provides support to student veterans and to men and women currently serving their country in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard and the various reserve units in the area.

Craft classes start in May

Craft classes are planned for the following dates in May: May 3, glass fusing jewelry; glass fusing mirror; May 10; stained glass, May 11; basketry, May 13; mosaics; May 17; sewing fast 'n easy. Classes are offered at either the Main Campus or at the Fowler Family Southside Center.

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

Zoners deny dog salon applicant

By ADRIENNE WRIGHT
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Fountain Hill Zoning Board voted 2-2 to deny a resident permission to open a dog-grooming salon on the first floor of her Delaware Avenue home.

Kristen Hrusovsky appeared before the zoning board April 19 to state her case requesting a special exception for her residentially zoned property. Hrusovsky had appeared earlier this month before the Planning Commission, which recommended that she be allowed to open the salon under the condition that she gain written consent from her neighbors.

Freddy Vasta, the owner of the house immediately adjacent to Hrusovsky's twin home, argued against the proposed business.

"This speaks some concern right off the bat," Vasta said.

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Vasta rents out the adjacent property as three residential apartments and was concerned that the dog-grooming business would discourage prospective tenants.

"Any potential noise, dogs barking, could be a deterrent to future renters," Vasta said. He said that the proposed business would share a wall with a bedroom next door, and since Vasta's renters often work different shifts, they could be asleep when Hrusovsky would be taking appointments during the day.

Hrusovsky said that in her experience as a licensed dog groomer for more than 10 years, dogs don't generally bark when they are on the grooming table, and they would be picked up by their owners soon after they were done.

"It would be a very small operation," Hrusovsky said. "Just me working with one dog at a time, a few days a week. I don't want to upset neighbors or anything."

Vasta was also concerned about parking

issues and the general deterrent of a sign advertising a dog-grooming business in the residential area.

Hrusovsky said she was willing to take measures to soundproof the first floor of her home, but borough engineer Brad Youst said that full

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Donor drive set for May 1

Angel34 Foundation will hold a bone marrow donor drive for Derek Graffis from 1 to 4 p.m. May 1 at First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, 2344 Center St. The 20-year-old Graffis was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) during his senior year at Liberty HS. He was in remission since July 2008 and was attending Millersville University until his leukemia returned in March 2010. New chemotherapy drugs have helped him to temporarily achieve a remission state, but now he needs a bone marrow transplant for a longer term solution.

Graffis, a member of First Presbyterian, is the son of Dale and Michele Graffis of Bethlehem, and the grandson of Wallace and Mae Long of Bethlehem, founders of the Long Funeral Home.

There is no blood drawn. DNA samples are taken using four long Q-tips to rub the inside of the cheek. Donors must be ages 18 to 60, in good general health (no personal history of cancer, insulin-dependent diabetes or heart disease) and willing to save the life of an anonymous person. Registration will require name, date of birth, driver's license and the names and telephone numbers of two people who always know how to reach the donor.

For more information about the Bone Marrow Donor Drive for Derek or to make a donation to cover the testing/lab fees, visit www.angel34.org or call 610-533-1923. To donate, send a check payable to "Be the Match Foundation" and mail to Angel34 Foundation, P.O. Box 494, Nazareth, PA 18064.

Commissioners blame sewer rate increase on a shortfall

By H.L.STONE

Special to the Bethlehem Press

Bethlehem Township residents are paying 40 percent more for sewer services this year; a result of a more than \$900,000 shortfall in last year's water revenues.

Edith Seip, a resident of the township, challenged the board of commissioners to explain how they could justify the increase at its April 19 meeting.

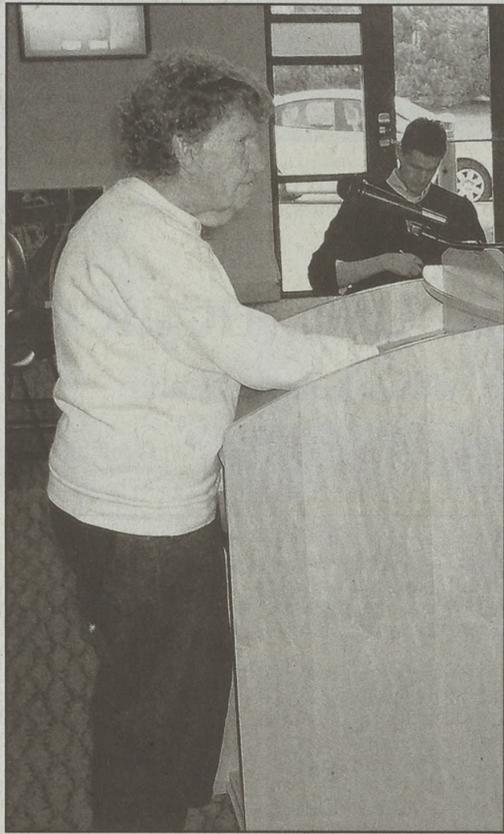
"Senior citizens in this township can't afford these kinds of tax hikes," said Seip, who claims her bill went from about \$63 per quarter to around \$97.

Arthur Murphy, Bethlehem Township Board of Commissioners president, agreed that no one can afford it. He explained that last year's expenditures exceeded the previous year by about \$980,000 but that the shortfall was covered by monies from the township's general funds.

Funds to pay for the township's sewerage are partially based on revenues from water consumption charges; however last year not enough water was used to pay these costs. Estimated revenues are projected based on water usage from an average of the previous years. Murphy maintains that this is the first time such a shortage has occurred.

So far, no one can account for the drop-off in water consumption; Murphy speculates, however, that it may be due to conscious conservation efforts.

BETHLEHEM TWP.



PRESS PHOTO BY H.L. STONE

Bethlehem Township resident Edith Seip challenges the Board of Commissioners over this year's 40 percent sewer rate increase at its April 19 meeting.

He also said commissioners could have raised income taxes but didn't want to do that, opting instead to adjust the water bill based upon the recommendation of the Municipal Authority.

"We're doing our best

in these tough economic conditions," said Murphy, adding that the 40 percent increase was the first in 18 years.

"There was not one commissioner happy about voting on this [increase]," said Commis-

"The township is not out to make money from water or sewer charges."

MICHAEL HUDAK

sioner Michael Hudak, later in the week, adding that the township had looked at other options but considered this the best scenario possible under the circumstances.

"The township is not out to make money from water or sewer charges," said Hudak, explaining that it's basically a break-even situation. "You can't operate on a deficit."

But Seip wants to meet with all of the officials to see the facts and figures, claiming that it's her right as a citizen. Murphy said the commissioners would be willing to meet with her at any time to discuss her concerns regarding the rate increase.

According to Hudak, the rate increase was not specifically publicized; it was included in the budget outline, however, which is made available to the public before its final adoption. Meetings concerning budget items such as the increase are advertised in advance. There were five such meetings, said Hudak; however he feels the commissioners could have been clearer about raising sewer rates.

BRIEFLY

VETS GROUPS

Monthly meetings set for May 3

The Harry F. W. Johnson Post #379, American Legion, will meet at 7:30 p.m. May 3 in the DAR Rose Garden log cabin, Eighth Avenue and West Union Boulevard. All veterans interested in attending are welcome.

The United Veterans of Bethlehem will meet immediately afterward. All veterans are welcome to attend. Veterans who are not presently Legionnaires or those wishing to transfer to a local Bethlehem Post are also invited.

For more information, call 610-866-3835.

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soundproofing would likely require professional consultation and installation.

Zoning board members Christian Birch and James Generoso voted "no," and since there were only four members present, the 2-2 vote struck down Hrusovsky's request.

The zoning board will meet again May 17 at 7 p.m. in the borough building on Long Street. The next Borough Council meeting will take place May 3 at 7 p.m.

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Wednesday, May 12

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Daytime Sleepiness

Wednesday, June 9

Presented by: Fawad Mian, MD
St. Luke's Neurological Associates



Fawad Mian, MD

Regular sleep-wake cycles may be disrupted when a patient is suffering from a neurological disorder called narcolepsy. Narcolepsy causes excessive daytime sleepiness. This presentation will include the symptoms of narcolepsy, how it is diagnosed and what can be done to treat this chronic disorder.

Balance Disorders

Wednesday, July 14

Presented by: Maureen Gordon, MSPT
St. Luke's Physical Therapy



Maureen Gordon, MSPT

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Group homes dominate meeting

Retiring borough secretary Janice Unangst honored for her 24 years

HELLERTOWN

By JOSH POPICHAK
Special to the Bethlehem Press

For the second time in a row, a discussion about group homes dominated the conversation at a Hellertown Borough Council meeting.

At council's April 19 meeting, residents upset about a group home which recently began operation in a former residence at 1455 Detweiler Ave. again told council members that they do not believe group homes — which often house mentally ill or disabled individuals — are an appropriate addition to their neighborhood.

"There are a lot of very legitimate and very worthwhile group homes, but we live near one that has ... disturbed the peace and caused some violence," Hellertown resident Bob Linney said.

Linney went on to explain to council members that his wife, who is physically disabled, is afraid to walk down the street in front of the group home.

Council should work to ensure "that the safety of the citizens be held paramount," he added.

The home at 1455 Detweiler, Linney said, is owned by David Tidd and is being leased by a property management compa-



PRESS PHOTO BY JOSH POPICHAK

Borough of Hellertown Secretary Janice Unangst receives a proclamation in recognition of 24 years of service to her community at Borough Council's April 19 meeting. Unangst, whose retirement takes effect April 30, is presented with the proclamation by Borough Council President Philip Weber.

ny to the group home's operator.

Questions about whether the group home should ever have opened in the first place appeared to become moot when Borough Council solicitor Michael Corriere stated emphatically that the operator does "not have permission to operate a group home in Hellertown," because a special exception to operate a business in an R1 residential district was never

granted. "At this point in time we don't even know if they're going to stay in the property because they may be evicted," Corriere explained to audience members, many of whom shouted out questions and comments during the discussion.

The larger question which remains, according to board member Stephanie Kovacs, concerns how to prevent other group homes from

locating to Hellertown in the future.

"The problem is, this isn't going to be the only one we're going to see," she said.

The pending closure of Allentown State Hospital means that many of its psychiatric patients will probably be transferred to group homes in the Lehigh Valley area, she explained.

In order to minimize the likelihood that other group homes are opened in Hellertown, Kovacs suggested enacting a zoning change which would require a 2-acre lot minimum and mandatory compliance with the current zoning requirements for 24-hour businesses.

In the meantime, Zoning and Codes Enforce-

ment Officer Joseph Chernaskey suggested that residents who are upset about the location of this particular group home fill out complaint forms, which are available to the public in the Borough Hall office.

"We want signed complaints so we can take something if we go to a hearing," Corriere emphasized.

Council members also unanimously approved spending up to \$5,000 to have Corriere and the borough engineer research various zoning amendments which would limit the ability of companies to operate group homes in the borough in the future.

In other business at the meeting, councilors and borough staff bid a fond farewell to Borough Secretary Janice Unangst, who retires April 30 after almost 24 years of service to the Hellertown community.

Unangst, a 1960 graduate of Saucon Valley HS, has "an outstanding record of service to our citizens" and is an "encyclopedia" of knowledge when it comes to Hellertown, council member Gail Nolf said.

In recognition of her years of service, council passed a congratulatory resolution in her honor and presented her with a ceremonial proclamation. "We wish her the best of good health and happiness," it read.

Unangst, who has two children and four grandchildren, plans to spend more time with them and also hopes to devote more hours to two of her favorite hobbies, sewing and knitting, during retirement.

The next Hellertown Borough Council meeting will be May 3, at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall.

RACE FOR ADAM 5K run set for May 1

The Race for Adam Foundation's fifth annual 5K Run/Walk for a Cure of Childhood Alzheimer's will be held 10 a.m. May 1 at the Lehigh Parkway, Allentown. The Race for Adam Foundation is named for Adam Recke, the son of Sean and Amy Recke of Bethlehem Township. Adam is a victim of Niemann-Pick disease, known as childhood Alzheimer's, which is progressive, degenerative and fatal.

From 9 to 10 a.m., there will be music by Scott Marshall and Secret Garden, a raffle, food, inflatables and registration. The race begins at 10 a.m.

For information, call 610-351-8118 or e-mail info@RaceForAdam.org.

BOSCOLA FAFSA student deadline May 1

State Sen. Lisa M. Boscola reminds high school seniors, other prospective college students and their families that the deadline for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is May 1, 2010.

"The FAFSA determines eligibility for federal grants, state grants, many scholarships, student loans and work-study programs," Boscola said. "If you plan to start college in the fall and have not applied already, I urge you to do so today. My staff will be glad to assist you with any questions you may have."

Applications are available at any of Senator Boscola's district offices, but individuals are encouraged to apply online at www.pheaa.org or www.fafsa.ed.gov for expedited processing. To complete the application, applicants will need information found on their 2009 tax returns.

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By MALLORY VOUGH
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Picture this: you decide to do some spring cleaning and you use several different cleaning products that are located under your sink in the process.

Now picture this: you have cancer and the cause of your cancer is the ingredients found in your daily cleaning products.

Jill Schoff, author of "Green Up Your Clean Up," cited the American Cancer Society when stating that one in two men will get cancer in their lifetime and one in three women will get cancer in their lifetime.

"There is growing evidence that the toxins in cleaners are the reason for the increasing number of people diagnosed with cancer," Schoff told students, faculty and staff April 27 at Northampton Community College on the 40th anniversary of Earth Day.

Schoff was born and raised in Vermont. Her parents were always conscious about the environment and had a green mentality.

"I pretty much had a green angle from the beginning," she admitted.

Schoff really started living green when her son, then 6 weeks old, broke out in a rash. Her doctor diagnosed her son with eczema and told her he was having an allergic reaction to something. Schoff immediately started researching.

She learned that cleaning products with detergents in them make the skin more porous, which allows toxins to get into the bloodstream.

"I removed all of the detergents from my home and switched to soap-based cleaners. His eczema cleared up almost immediately," she said.

Schoff believes that although her son had more of a reaction to detergents than most people, it doesn't mean it won't hurt others in the long run.

Earth Day 2010 at NCC

Individual change can be easy



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Jill Schoff, author of "Green Up Your Clean Up," speaks to NCC students, faculty and staff on the 40th anniversary of Earth Day April 27.



NCC students Jonathan Wise and Fritz Strader learn how to make their own non-toxic, all-purpose spray with water, Borax and liquid castile soap during a presentation by Jill Schoff, the author of "Green Up Your Clean Up." See recipe below.

According to Schoff, there is little to no regulation on what companies put on their labels and the same goes for testing.

"Mutagens, carcinogens and other toxic ingredients are put in everyday cleaners. As long as an ingredient isn't banned, they can put it in your products," she said. "And as long as they keep the levels 'safe,' they think it's OK, but you don't use just one cleaning product. They cumulate over time."

These toxins, according to Schoff, don't just affect children, teens and adults. Fetuses in the womb are also susceptible. During a 2004 study by the Environmental Working Group, the umbilical cord blood of 10 American babies was tested. Approximately 200 industrial chemicals were found in each baby's blood.

Schoff recommends Seven Generation and Ecover products, although they can be expensive. Because of the price, Schoff has started creating her own cleaning products by using cheap items commonly found in the home.

At the end of the presentation, attendees were able to create and take home their own non-toxic, all-purpose cleaner by mixing hot water, Borax and liquid castile soap.

"You can make your own cleaners for literally pennies," Schoff said.

The Safe Chemicals Act of 2010 is currently making its way through Congress, but Schoff says change is easy on an individual level.

"This isn't something that needs to go to the state level," she said. "This is something you can easily do in your own home and you yourself can go out and encourage your local schools and daycares to make the change."

For more information on the dangers in cleaning products, visit www.ewg.org.



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All-Purpose Spray Recipe

This spray is effective on everyday dirt and grime, wipes up without leaving residue, and is safe on most surfaces. Use to clean counters, walls, spills, and more.

1-16-oz. spray bottle
2 tsp. Borax
Hot water
1/4 tsp. liquid castile soap

Put the Borax in the spray bottle, fill the bottle with hot water, shake until the Borax is dissolved, and then add the soap. Spray on sur-

faces, let sit for a minute or two, and wipe off with a sponge or microfiber cloth.

Green Up Your Clean Up

- Research products that claim to be "non-toxic." Go to the company's website and look for a list of the chemicals that are used in their products. If the company has nothing to hide, they will tell you exactly what is in their products.
- If you don't want to make your own cleaners, find a company you

trust and stick with them.

- Stay away from products that say combustible, flammable, warning, danger, poison, or use in well-ventilated areas – these are good reasons to keep them out of your home.
- Avoid spray cleaners containing ammonia, bleach, alcohol, butyl cellosolve, petroleum-based detergents, dyes and fragrances.
- Open a window. The air outside is probably healthier than the air in your home.

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Student Poetry Project Winners

By PAUL WILLISTEIN
Focus Editor

In celebration of National Poetry Month, the Press newspapers again presents the 5th annual Student Poetry Project.

The poems on this page and Page B3 were chosen by a panel of judges: Suzie Bichovsky-Thomas, Allentown

School District literacy coach and Penn State Lehigh Valley Writing Project Fellow; Kathy Kulig, published author of three romance novels and two novellas; George Vandoren, retired Liberty High School English teacher, Penn State Lehigh Valley Writing Project teacher consultant and Moravian College adjunct, and myself.

The Press would like to thank the students who entered their poems, as well as their teachers, parents and guardians.

This year, the Press again partnered with WDIY, Lehigh Valley Community Radio, to present the Student Poetry Project.

The Student Poetry Project was the topic for "Lehigh Valley Arts

Salon" April 19 on WDIY, 88.1 FM, Allentown-Bethlehem; 93.7 FM, Fogelsville-Trexlerstown; 93.9 FM Easton-Phillipsburg; and www.wdiy.org.

Participants and winners in the poetry project read their poems April 24 in the Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St., Bethlehem.

HIGH SCHOOL FIRST PLACE

Goodbye

Shadowing debris fallen
Flowers fading

Concealing your name
Etched in stone

Flowing from within
Memories shared
But none forgotten

Streaming down my face
Cold heart-filled tears

Feelings buried inside
Coming back into existence

Remembering you
And never forgetting

Turning away for now
But not forever

Glancing back once more
I whisper, "Goodbye"

Sarah Goldy-Brown
Age 15
Grade 10
Emmaus High School
East Penn School District



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Sarah Goldy-Brown

MIDDLE SCHOOL FIRST PLACE

Survivor

If you can trust the trustworthy, but doubt the doubtful.

If you can hold on to the truth,

But believe in what is yours.

If you do not let anyone change your desire.

If you can smile, but only with a bit or regret,

If you can show sorrow, but frown with confidence.

If you can live through plight, but still survive,

And work hard, but never get tired.

If you can deal with threats, but do not threaten others,

And worship, but worship whom you honor.

If you can study, but study with the wise,

But you can learn, and share this knowledge with the unknowing.

If you can know others, but also know who you are,
And never let anyone persuade you.

If you can persevere in difficult times, but do not pity yourself,

And sing of the happy, not the sad.

If you can be optimistic, and not let the world pull you down,

And hold the ones you love the most in your arms.

If you can cry, but cry with pride.

If you can dance, and dance with feeling.

If you can love, and respect those who are special.

If you can share your love beyond your own perimeters.

If you can believe that g-d does everything for a purpose,



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Rachel Fromer

Then you are a Holocaust survivor,
my great-grandmother.

Rachel Fromer
Age 12
Grade 6
Jewish Day School, Allentown

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FIRST PLACE

Fruity Gems

In a village, the sweet scent of apple stains the air.

The villagers make merry,

as an apple orchard prepares itself for a harvest.

A Fuji Apple Tree with its lengthy and slender trunk,
reaches to the sky,

waiting for the villagers to pluck the rhodochrosite
fruit from its limbs.

Fruit the color of an Inca rose.

A petite Garden Delicious Dwarf Apple Tree raises
its golden, citrine apples toward the sky.

They shimmer like a thousand suns.

Nearby, butterflies come to admire the blazing colors.

Fluttering,

watching, looking.

Breathing in the luscious smells.

Yonder,

an Arkansas Black Apple Tree bears immense apples.

Polished.

Red and dark like a ruby.
Unique.

They gleam and glisten like ornaments on a Christmas tree.

A Honey Crisp Apple Tree with its jasper trunk hides in the shade,

soaking in the cool air.

Listening

to the secrets the wind whispers.

Alone.

A Pink Lady Apple Tree listens to the rhythm of an emerald green hummingbird

sucking the nectar from an apple blossom.

The opal moon beams down,

shining.

Its light is everywhere.

Moonlight beauty

dazzles,

turning the apples into jewels,

glinting in the moonlight.

Villagers dance round the orchard,

singing and telling folk tales.



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Kate Fazioli

The children play, laugh and
feast on the sweet gems.

As the people dance round and round,

The apple orchard beams with pride,

For the plentiful harvest.

Kate Fazioli
Age 10
Grade 4
Macungie Elementary School
East Penn School District

Good soil makes good plantings

Is your soil fertile and easy to dig in? No? Then join the majority of homeowners.

Usually, when home sites are first developed, topsoil is removed. This topsoil is "black gold." It is a complex environment of soil-dwelling animals and microbial organisms along with mineral elements.

The rich medium provides all that plants need to grow and flourish. Below this is the subsoil, which is much less friendly to plant growth, especially after heavy construction equipment has compacted it.

The situation can be improved by adding "soil amendments" to improve chemical and physical properties. Chemical changes include pH (acidic to alkaline) and fertility.

These can change by adding lime to make the soil less acidic or sulfur (avoid using aluminum sulfate) to make it more acidic. It could also change by adding fertilizer, N-P-K (nitrogen-phosphorus-potassium).

Many homeowners are unaware that the physical

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properties of soil may have more effect on how well their plants grow. Poor soil structure, porosity (air spaces), and water holding (water spaces) can restrict root growth and overall plant development.

This is where organic soil amendments, especially compost, comes in. Compost can include composted leaves, garden waste, kitchen waste, animal manure, etc.

The end product of composting can vary a great deal based on what is composted. When first using a compost product, try it in a small area before using it throughout your landscape. "Mushroom compost" contains composted manure, peat and straw. Many composts are alkaline with a pH of 7 to 8.

To reduce odor and weed problems, cow or poultry manure can be used as organic fertiliz-

ers as these are high in pH and nutrients. "Green manure" is cover crops of grains or legumes turned under to improve soil structure.

Some other organic amendments include peat moss and bark soil conditioners. There are predominantly two different kinds of peat. Sphagnum peat moss is fibrous and acidic, while muck peat is black, compost-like and has a neutral pH.

Do not use uncomposted wood or sawdust, as it can deplete soil nitrogen (your plants will turn yellow and may die). Finely ground bark is a useful, low nutrient amendment to improve soil structure. Hardwood bark will have a neutral pH, conifer bark will be more acidic. Do not add builder's sand to a silt or clay soil. It will often cause further compaction and a denser soil.

Soil amendments should be added to the entire bed or area being prepared for planting. Roots in amended back-filled planting holes often have difficulty growing into unamended soil.

A good range to add is 25 to 35 percent by vol-

ume, or incorporating a two-inch layer of compost or peat moss to the top six inches of soil.

To find out what your soil needs in the way of fertilizer, purchase a soil sample mailing envelope from the Cooperative Extension office. At a cost of \$9, you can't go wrong. You purchase the mailing kit, take a sample of your soil, fill out a brief questionnaire and send the soil to Penn State in the pre-addressed envelope. It takes about two weeks to get the results.

For answers to your garden questions, call the Lehigh County Cooperative Extension Office, 610-391-9840, or Northampton County Cooperative Extension Office, 610-746-1970, and ask to speak with a Master Gardener. Volunteers staff phone lines several days a week, Monday - Friday.

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Learning fragility of life beneficial

My friend, Skip, is a really special guy. He spends so much of his time doing nice things for others.

That's one reason why he and his wonderful wife, Ruth, are favorites with so many of us. So it was with great alarm that we heard bad news from him last month.

He was doing something routine, something that didn't even require thought. He was moving a trailer with his powerboat on it. Without warning, a pin loosened and the trailer collapsed on his foot.

He knew it was bad. But he didn't know how bad until a doctor said he could lose his foot if the deep crater-like wound didn't heal. And, wounds as serious as that are difficult to heal.

There it is again. In the blink of an eye, life changes.

Ruth and Skip were filled with plans for an upcoming kayak club trip to Mount Dora and a much-anticipated sailboat cruise to the British Virgin Islands.

Their life revolved around great plans for fascinating trips. Now, it revolves around visits to medical specialists and daily treatments in a hyperbaric chamber to promote healing. Instead of running around having fun, Skip is limited to wearing a special boot with a vacuum pump that operates round the clock.

While they had to cancel their trips, Skip and Ruth say they are lucky. He's getting excellent care, the prognosis is good, and they know it could have been a lot worse.

Some aren't so lucky. Without warning, a split second changes life.

Or snuffs out a life. My friend Margaret went to bed with her husband, a routine end to a routine day. She fell asleep planning tomorrow. But her tomorrow wasn't what she envisioned.

Her husband, Carl, got up in the middle of the night to go to the bathroom. When Margaret heard a thud coming from the bathroom, she got up and found her husband dead from a heart attack. He was 43.

Life is fragile. Our hold on it is precarious, at best.

While that may sound like a dismal thought, acknowledging it can offer a positive guidepost to living.

I can't tell you how many times I conscientiously let go of anger, like I instantly drop a hot poker.

I let go of anger and of thoughts that steal away my positive energy whenever I remember just how short and how fragile life really is.

If life is short, too short, why would we waste a day of it?

If we are simmering in anger, engaging in "spite work" or nursing a grudge, are we not wasting the day?

If we weren't filled with that anger or if we

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were't harboring bitterness, wouldn't there be room inside us for other more positive emotions?

If we acknowledge that so much of life is out of our control, it helps us resolve not to waste a minute of what we can control.

We can't control the amount of time we are given on earth. All we can control is what we do with that time.

Every time a friend like Carl is snatched away, it reminds me once again of that lesson. It drives home the fragility of our hold on life. And, to tell the truth, it influences my behavior.

When my friend Carl died, I went out and bought the best steaks I could find. Back then, we were putting two daughters through college at the same time and we didn't splurge much on expensive cuts of meat. Instead, I tried to be as creative as possible with hamburger.

That steak dinner was in the middle of the week. I set the table with the "good" tablecloth, the one I used only for special company. I got out the good china and pulled out the sterling silver we used only for company.

When my husband came home and saw the table set with candlelight, he wasn't pleased. He was upset.

"Carl was our friend," he said. "What is there to celebrate?"

I told him we were celebrating life. We were celebrating while life was still ours to celebrate. And instead of mourning Carl on that particular night, we were celebrating the good he did throughout his life and how much he meant to us.

Weeks later, when I talked with Carl's wife, she understood exactly what I meant. "We should celebrate life, not just special occasions," she agreed. She said she wished she and her husband would have done more of that.

Why don't we?

Why don't we pull out our best dishes and use our best silverware for ourselves, instead of saving it only for company?

Why don't we have more candlelight dinners to celebrate an ordinary day, because of we all know, there is no such thing as "an ordinary day." There is only another precious day of life.

Some say it's too scary to give much thought to our fragile hold on life. Yes, but it's also freeing.

If we truly appreciate the day at hand instead of taking it for granted, we will treat it as the gift it is.

We will know we have gotten to the point when we are living fully only when we recognize the preciousness of every single moment.

Causes and ways to prevent sciatica

Q. I'm getting pain in my right leg and my doctor says it's sciatica. Could you write one of your columns about this?

HEALTHY GEEZER

By Fred Cicetti
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Sciatica is pain that runs down the sciatic nerve from your lower spine to your buttock and down the back of your leg. Age-related changes in the spine are a common cause of sciatica.

Other sciatica symptoms include numbness, muscle weakness, a burning sensation and tingling. In rare cases, there is a loss of bladder or bowel control. Usually only one side of your body experiences sciatica.

Most of the time, sciatica goes away within a few weeks of rest. If it doesn't go away, see a doctor. About 85 percent of patients with sciatica get better over time without surgery.

Sciatica is caused by damage to the sciatic nerve, which is the longest nerve in the body. This nerve controls the muscles of the back of the knee and lower leg and provides sensation to the back of

the thigh, part of the lower leg and the sole of the foot.

A common cause of sciatica is a herniated disk, also known as a ruptured or slipped disk. Disks are pads of cartilage that cushion the vertebrae in your spine. If a disk ruptures, it can press against a nerve root in your spine causing pain.

Other causes of sciatica include:

Trauma. A blow to your spine can injure nerve roots.

Tumors. As they grow, tumors can compress the spinal cord or the nerve roots.

Stenosis. If sections of the spinal canal narrow, there can be pressure on the spinal cord.

Piriformis syndrome. The piriformis muscle runs from your lower spine to each thighbone. This muscle can put pressure on the sciatic nerve.

Spondylolisthesis. This occurs when one vertebra slips slightly forward over another vertebra and pinches the sciatic nerve. This condition is often caused by degenerative disk disease.

Also, cigarettes are bad for your back. Smoking increases your risk of developing sciatica by blocking the body's ability to deliver nutrients to the disks of the lower back.

Get emergency treatment for sciatica if: you have sudden, severe pain in your low back or leg; numbness or muscle weakness in your leg; pain following a violent injury, or you have trouble controlling your bowels or bladder.

There are many ways to treat sciatica that include: injections, pain-relieving drugs, muscle relaxants, hot or cold packs, physical therapy and surgery.

To avoid sciatica, you should: exercise regularly, sit with good posture and lumbar support, and take frequent breaks if you work at a desk; adjust your car seat so that your knees

and hips are level and you aren't overreaching for the pedals; if you stand for long periods, rest one foot on a stool (bar rails were invented to reduce back discomfort.); when lifting, bend your knees, not your back, and lift with your legs; carry objects close to your body, don't reach and lift objects and pull them close to you first (remember this tip when emptying a car trunk); sleep on a good mattress (if you wake with back pain, you need a new one).

I have a slightly herniated disk that has given me sciatica. I've gone to a chiropractor, physical therapists and tried many self-help techniques. I've had the most success following the instructions in a book, "Treat Your Own Back" by Robin A. McKenzie, a New Zealand physiotherapist. I recommend it to all my friends who suffer from back pain.

Have a question? Email: fred@healthygeezers.com

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Unexplained symptoms? It could be a stroke.

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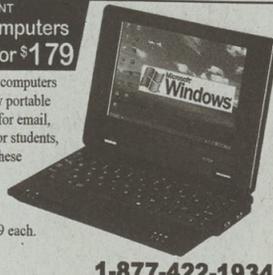


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HIGH SCHOOL

SECOND PLACE

No Child Left Behind

When we really feel more so than ever.
Achievements meant for publication, nothing more in mind.
To impress critics in threatening suits?
Those that cannot do, so teach
to take a number because that's all we are now.
Left for them to muse

and ponder. I wonder,
how did other nations fare
on this system of numbers?
Academic worth: three-point-five, fourteen hundred.
Pretty average, a little above,
but her extracurriculars never took off.
And oh, that one D in her sophomore year.
Didn't she know it would lose her
her future career?
She wasn't focused.
So many want this more than her,
chose to sacrifice more than her.

But is that what this is about, sacrifice?
Give up your sanity, your life
for a bright future consisting the same day to day
But, hey, at least you can say
"Son, I've been there,
it's not fair
but let's not question it
that won't get you anywhere."

Farida Gafurova
Age 17
Grade 11
Parkland High School
Parkland School District

MIDDLE SCHOOL

SECOND PLACE (TIE)

Hope is a Fluorescent Sunset beyond Barbed Wire

Hope is a comforting light during bitter, choking darkness.
Hope is mighty, white Polaris gleaming and leading, or children laughing in mounds of rubble.
Hope is a '74 pickup chugging down a dirt road; or Hope is a pumpkin seed turning into a tasty pie.
Hope is a fluorescent sunset beyond barbed wire.
Hope is a beehive's sweet sweat.

Ian Wright
Age 13
Grade 8
Northampton Area Middle School
Northampton Area School District

Eyes Full of Starlight

Eyes full of starlight, moist over fire,
The white moon rises in the east, while its red cousin falls to the west.
White and blue stars burn bright with light.
As the mind sets off into a golden and mystic land;
Children's high-pitched giggles ring through frozen ears.
The old moon's setting tells of bitterly cold raindrops coming.
While fluffy, white clouds arise like pillows;
Red roses bloom and spread like the stars in the midnight sky.
A fountain provides the crystal clear living water
Flowing like a serene stream.

Autumn Altemose
Age 13
Grade 9
Northampton Area Middle School
Northampton Area School District

THIRD PLACE (TIE)

Confusion

Struggling in the dark
Disoriented in the blackness
Questions screaming in my ear
The volume turned up
Making it hard to think
The battle deep inside my mind
Striving to hold on to nothing
Everything
Everything sane inside me
All thoughts cease to exist
A fire extinguished
Pulled into the mental whirlwind
Whirlwind of darkness
Struggling in the dark
Disoriented in the blackness
Suddenly a click in my head
A match has been lighted
Lighting my mind
My thoughts rest peacefully
A knot untangled
The answer arrives

Emily Weller
Age 12
Grade 6
Commonwealth Connections Academy
Cyber Charter School

Fear is a jagged knife

Fear is a gun pointed at his shivering, curled body
With the face of death burning throughout him.
His blood streaming like lava colored rain gushing endlessly from a jagged cliff.
Fear is death marching like a hell-bound pit bull scratching its way across the ground.
Fear is a moth infested robe falling to the dark floor.
A car is crashing through a hollow door, closer it comes; it's right at your motionless feet.
It is a fire on a spilled cup of gasoline.

Alyssa Edwards
Grade 8
Northampton Area Middle School
Northampton Area School District

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

SECOND PLACE

MOM GAVE ME
ONE DOLLAR AND TOLD ME
NEVER TO SPEND IT
EXCEPT FOR EMERGENCY
YESTERDAY I HAD A EMERGENCY AT THE DOLLAR STORE

Jakob Kidd
Age 9
Grade 4
Seven Generations Charter School

THIRD PLACE

Cats and Kittens

Those cuddly creatures, From crystal white; to midnight
Stray or at home, black,
Who like to play, hunt and roam, Those cats are special
Those fluffy, purry things known Front to back!
as cats, **Tabitha Nowak**
Who like to use their paws as Age 8
bats, Grade 3
Jefferson Elementary School
Whatever color, East Penn School District

Theater Review: 'Schoolhouse' for all

By TRACY ANTONIOLI
Special to The Press

Bring the entire family to the Pennsylvania Playhouse, Bethlehem, production of "Schoolhouse Rock Live Jr.," continuing this weekend through May 2, for a night of educational entertainment. All ages will enjoy this upbeat musical that makes grammar, history and math come alive.

The story starts out as Tom the teacher gets ready for his first day in front of a classroom. Tom is played by real-life teacher Hunter Chadeayne. Chadeayne

has performed at the Playhouse before, and returns to take on this appropriate role while teaching for his first year in Readington, N.J.

Tom is joined by "the ideas in his head," a cast of 16 youths who emerge from a giant television that makes up the majority of the set. The production features "Schoolhouse Rock" songs everyone knows and loves, from "Just a Bill," performed by Sawyer Long and the company, to "Conjunction Junction," featuring 11-year-old Richard Rakhmanine and the troupe.

"Schoolhouse Rock" is the Playhouse's first children's production, though one would be hard-pressed to figure out why based on the quality of the performance. The child actors range in age from nine to 16, spanning grades from fourth through 10th, and they all work together beautifully, which is truly a credit to director and music director Wendy Borst.

The venue could not be more ideal. The Playhouse features intimate seating, affording great views of the stage from any seat in the house.

The show is at once amusing and adorable. Children will love it for the bright colors and high energy; parents will love it for the focus on academics and general cuteness. It is fast-paced, so that even younger children will remain intrigued, and the run time is under one hour, perfect for the can't-sit-still child.

And finally, after all of that, complimentary candy is handed out as you exit the theater. You certainly can't get more family-friendly than that.

Dive into 'Oceans'

The sights and sounds of "Oceans" were augmented by the gleeful "Awwws" of children, in awe as their parents should be of the incredible subjects of a magnificent film.

The amazing documentary, a Disney nature followup to "Earth" (2007), takes us on a world voyage beyond the seas — in fact, beneath the seas, where we are introduced to sea mammals, fish and creatures familiar and exotic.

It's not often that a G-rated movie hits the cinema that can be recommended for young and old alike. "Oceans" is one that should be enjoyed by families, educators and elected and appointed officials.

The leisurely-paced film, narrated in dulcet tones by Pierce Brosnan, is soothing, enthralling and a big-screen adventure.

The combination of Brosnan's voice, a symphonic score and the ocean sounds is lulling.

There are some jolting sequences, too, as in a mantis shrimp smackdown of a crab on the ocean floor, as well as when the sound of the pounding surf reverberates through your chest.

As Brosnan intones of the ocean: "You have to hear it. You have to see it." And, yes, "Oceans" is so realistic you can almost taste the saltiness.

"Oceans" is surprisingly lacking in political rhetoric. It's mostly a parade of creatures large (the half-block-long, 20-ton baleen, or blue, whale) and small (the krill).

You will see the familiar: among them, penguins, sea turtles, sea lions, dolphins, sharks and whales. You will also see the strange: the blanket octopus, for example, which looks like a floating red magic carpet.

You will be transported to the world's seven seas, with stops at Australian reefs, South African waters and the Alaskan coast.

Co-directors Jacques Perrin and Jacques Cluzaud (also co-directors, "Winged Migration," 2001), working from a script they wrote with some five additional writers, let the film unfold without much of a storyline.

The narration could have provided more scientific facts and information for the oceanographic-minded, rather than platitudes. At the same time, the commentary, combined with the visuals and soundtrack, achieves a kind of marine life poetry.

"Oceans" is cinema in its purest form. The visuals are truly stunning. The film is an inspiration.

That said, sitting there, watching "Oceans" made me hungry for seafood.

So, get in deep. Take a

MOVIE REVIEW

By Paul Willistein



trip to "Oceans."

First, though, you may want to stop at the movie theater concession stand for some Swedish Fish candy.

"Oceans": MPAARated G (General Audiences. All Ages Admitted); Genre: Documentary, Drama; Run time: 1 hr., 26 min.; Distributed by Walt Disney Studios

Credit Readers Anonymous: "Oceans" end credits roll includes scenes of the underwater film-makers, showing you how they obtained some of the outstanding footage.

Box Office, April 23: The 3-D "How to Train Your Dragon" was back at No. 1, with \$15 million and \$178 million, five weeks, keeping Jennifer Lopez's comeback bid, "The Back-Up Plan," at No. 2, \$12.2 million, opening.

3. "Date Night," \$10.6 million, \$63.4 million, three weeks; 4. "The Losers," \$9.6 million, opening; 5. "Kick-Ass," \$9.5 million, dropping from No. 1 after revised tallies, \$34.8 million, two weeks; 6. "Clash of the Titans," \$9 million, \$145.6 million, four weeks; 7. "Death at a Funeral," \$8 million, \$28.4 million, two weeks; 8. "Oceans," \$6 million, \$8.4 million (opened Earth Day, April 22); 9. "The Last Song," \$3.7 million, \$55.3 million, four weeks; 10. "Alice in Wonderland," \$2.2 million, \$327.4 million, eight weeks

Unreel, April 30:

"Furry Vengeance," Rated PG, stars Brendan Fraser and Brooke Shields in a comedy about a real estate developer whose plan to build homes in a forest brings opposition from the critters.

"A Nightmare on Elm Street," Rated R, is back with Jackie Earle Haley starring as Freddy Krueger in the slasher film about stalking the dreams of youths.

"Please Give," Rated R, stars Catherine Keener and Oliver Platt in a comedy about a Manhattan couple whose plans to expand their apartment are thwarted by the daughters (Amanda Peet, Rebecca Hall) of their elderly neighbor.

Heard Paul Willistein's movie reviews on Lehigh Valley Arts Salon, 6 - 6:30 p.m. Mondays, WDIY 88.1 FM Lehigh Valley Community Public Radio. Read previous movie reviews at www.tnonline.com. Email Paul Willistein at: pwillistein@tnonline.com and on Facebook.

TAKE A DATE

Bel Canto to celebrate 'Spirit' at NCC

By DIANE BAKOS
Special to The Press

It would be difficult to imagine a musical performance more potentially beautiful than the life-affirming "I Believe" woven in with the near-heartbreakingly spiritual "Ave Maria."

Northampton Community College's community chorus, Bel Canto Dalle Stelle, will give voice to this and other songs — from the sacred to Broad-

way show tunes — in its concert, "Celebrating The Human Spirit," at 7:30 p.m. April 30 in Lipkin Hall, Main Campus, 3835 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem Township.

Director-Conductor Rosemary Murdy-Haber will present Rudyard Kipling's inspirational poem, "If," set to music in dedication to her and her husband, Dick Haber.

Haber will guest conduct, having served that role for Broadway's

"Phantom of the Opera" and "Mary Poppins."

Contrast it all with a four-man acapella group belting out the theme to "Star Wars" and the evening promises to be an exciting mix.

The 60-member chorus will perform about a dozen numbers in an hour program, including a salute to the five branches of the United States Armed Services with an acapella rendition of "The Star Spangled Banner,"

arranged by Derric Johnson, music arranger for Disney theme parks.

Admission to the concert is a monetary or canned food donation at the door.

A bonus for all who attend: An automatic entrée into the post-performance party, as each of the performers will bring light refreshments to share with the audience in the auditorium immediately following the show.

LEHIGH VALLEY STAGE

"Blood Wedding," 8 p.m. April 29, 30; 2, 8 p.m. May 1; 7 p.m. May 2, Muhlenberg College Department of Theatre and Dance, Studio Theatre, Trexler Pavilion for Theatre and Dance, 2400 Chew St., Allentown. 484-664-3333

Fifth Annual Young Playwrights' Festival, 7:30 p.m. May 1, Zoellner Arts Center: Touchstone Theatre Young Playwrights' Lab, directed by the Touchstone Ensemble, performed by Touchstone Apprentices and community actors. Performance fol-

lowed by a Dessert Reception Gala, Lehigh University Art Gallery, 420 E. Packard Avenue, Bethlehem. 610-867-1689

"Guys and Dolls," April 28 - May 9: 8 p.m. Wednesdays - Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays, Act 1 DeSales University Theatre, Main Stage, Labuda Center for the Performing Arts, DeSales University, Center Valley. 610-282-3192

"Nobodies of Comedy," 8 p.m. May 7: April Macie, Buddy Fitzpatrick, Craig Carmean, Jamie Lis-

sow, Helen Hong, 453 Northampton St., Easton. 610-252-3132

"Peter Pan," 7 p.m. April 30, May 1, Catsaqua Area Showcase Theatre, Catsaqua High School, 2500 W. Bullshead Road, Northampton. 610-841-3747

"Rent," May 7 - 23, Civic Theatre of Allentown, 527 N. 19th St., Allentown. 610-432-8943

"Ring of Fire: The Music of Johnny Cash," through May 30; noon, dinner; show, 2 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays, Sundays; dinner 6 p.m.; show, 8 p.m., Fridays, Saturdays, The Pines Dinner Theatre, 448 N. 17th St., Allentown. 610-433-2333

"Schoolhouse Rock Live! Jr.," through May 2: 8 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays, 2 p.m. Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, Pennsylvania Playhouse, Illicks Mill Road, Bethlehem. 610-865-6665

"Sofia's Drawings," 8 p.m. May 3, Galilee Multicultural Theatre, Dorothy H. Baker Theatre, Trexler Pavilion for Theatre and Dance, Muhlenberg College, 2400 Chew St., Allentown. Presented by Muhlenberg College Institute for Jewish-Christian Understanding and Department of Theatre and Dance. Free.

"The Little Mermaid," through May 8, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday; 12:30 p.m. on certain dates, Act 3 Children's Theatre Company, Schubert Theatre, Labuda Center for the Performing and Fine Arts, DeSales University, Center Valley. 610-282-3192

"The Pan Show," May 13 - 22; 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays; 8, 10:30 p.m. Saturdays, Touchstone Theatre, 321 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. 610-867-1689

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8 DAYS A WEEK

YOUR LEHIGH VALLEY ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

By ALEXANDRA RACINES
Special to The Press

ART EXHIBITS

ALLENTOWN ART MUSEUM
Fifth and Court streets, Allentown. 610-432-4333
Artventures, 1 - 4 p.m. Sundays: Art Project, Green!; Featured Artwork: Milton Avery, Coney Island, Crayola Learning Center
Matthew Berman, Andrew Kotchen: Redesigning a Community, 6:30 - 8 p.m. April 29
Allentown School District Middle Schools Exhibition, through May 5
Lehigh Valley Going Green, through May 30, Rodale Gallery
The Green House: New Directions in Sustainable Architecture and Design, through May 30
The Founding of the State of Liberty Spiritual: Violet Oakley's Studies for the Governor's Reception Room Murals, through May 16, Payne Gallery
ART GALLERY AT FALK'S
1418 Main St., Hellertown. 610-216-0566
Karen Keim: Paintings, through June 25
BANANA FACTORY
25 W. Third St., Bethlehem. 610-332-1300
Fifth Grade Annual Exhibition, through April 28, Crayola Gallery
"Red Show," through May 31: Khalil Allaik, Lara Bly Allaik, Berrisford Boothe, Valerie Breaux Haaf, Heather Sincavage, Marlene "Linny" Fowler, Octavio Pena, James Harmon, Rick Holt, Ben Marcune, Holly Fields-Scott, Nessa Grainger, Rigo Peralta
Lydia Panas: Family Pictures ... Untold Stories, through May 23, Banko Family Gallery
Colonial Intermediate Unit 20's Autistic Support Program: Magic Stones of Texture, through June 13; Reception, 6 - 9 p.m. May 7
BAUM SCHOOL OF ART
510 Linden St., Allentown. 610-432-0032
An Artistic Discovery, The 15th Congressional District's High School Art Competition and Exhibition, through May 7, Rodale Family Gallery
Lee Everett: A Retrospective, through May 7, David E. Rodale Gallery
BETHEHEM ROTUNDA
City Hall, Bethlehem
Moravian Academy Fourth, Fifth Graders, through May; Reception, 2 - 4 p.m. May 2
CEDAR CREST COLLEGE
100 College Drive, Allentown. 610-606-4666
Senior Art Students, through May 15, Lachaise Gallery, Miller Family Building; Reception, 6 - 7:30 p.m. April 30
Constance Moore: "Small Matters," through May 15, Cressman Library Art Gallery
CONNEXIONS GALLERY
213 Northampton St., Easton. 610-250-7627
Matt Nixon: Man and the Machine, through May 16; Talk, 2 p.m. May 2; Matt Nixon
DICK BLICK
3152 Lehigh St., Salisbury Township. 610-791-7576
Janet Miller, through April
FOX OPTICAL AND GALLERY
28 E. Third St., Bethlehem. 610-332-2400
Maurice Harmon: Calles de La Habana, through April 30
GALLERY AT ST. JOHN'S
330 Ferry St., Easton. 610-258-6119
Hillcrest Camera Club: Photography

Exhibition, through June
GOUNDIE HOUSE
505 Main St., Bethlehem. 610-691-6055
Roll Out the Barrel: Bethlehem Brews History, through Aug. 8
HARD BEAN CAFE
201 E. Third St., Bethlehem. 610-419-9833
Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Performing Arts Annual Senior Exhibit, April 30 - May 21; Reception, 7:30 p.m. April 30
HELLER HOMESTEAD ART GALLERY
1890-92 Friedensville Road, Lower Saucon Township
Young Artists' Exhibit: Works by Saucon Valley High School Students, May 1 - 30; Reception, 10 a.m. - noon May 1
HOME AND PLANET
25 E. Third St., Bethlehem. 610-866-7370
"From Haiti ... Sculpture from Steel Drums," through May 2
KEMERER MUSEUM OF DECORATIVE ARTS
427 New St., Bethlehem. 610-868-6868
Where the Animals Live: Zoos and Safaris from the Elizabeth Johnston Prime Dollhouse and Toy Collection, through Sept. 26
LADUCA GALLERY
7 N. Bank St., Easton. 610-437-2322
Elizabeth Egan: Pastel 54, through May 12; talk, 2 p.m. May 8
LAFAYETTE COLLEGE
Williams Visual Arts Building, 243 N. Third St., Easton
Open Studio Figure Drawing, 7 p.m. Thursdays
Warning: You are Under Surveillance, through May 7, Williams Center for the Arts, Hamilton and High streets, Easton
Dan Mills: US Atlas of Global Imperialism, through May 22
David Katzenstein: Islam in Africa: A Pilgrimage to Touba, Senegal, through May, Lass Gallery
LEHIGH COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER
17 S. 17th St., Allentown
The Heart Gallery, through April 30
LEHIGH COUNTY SENIOR CENTER
1633 Elm St., Allentown. 610-437-3700
Sculpting, 9:30 a.m. Mondays
Ceramics, 9 a.m. Tuesdays
Studio Arts, 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays
Arts and Crafts, 9:30 a.m. Wednesdays; 9 a.m. Thursdays
Art Perspective Quilting, 8:30 a.m. Thursdays
Knitting, 9 a.m. Thursdays
Parkland Art League Exhibit, through April: Agnes Boyle, Marilyn Huber, Sylvia Roth
LEHIGH UNIVERSITY
Zoellner Arts Center, 420 E. Packer Avenue, Bethlehem. 610-758-3414
Catherine Higgins: Art Honor Thesis, through May 28, Girdler Gallery, University Center, 29 Trembley Drive, Bethlehem. 710-758-3615
Art, Architecture, Design Faculty Exhibition, through May 30
Friends of Lehigh Libraries: The Royal Society and the Origins of Scientific Communication, through May 26, Linderman Library
Howard Finster, Charley Kinney, Echo McCallister, Purvis Young: Outsider Art, through June 19, Dubois Gallery, Maginnes Hall
Margaret Bourke-White: Insect Stud-

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'Brite' idea brings area women together



By DIANE BAKOS
Special to The Press

They're "Beautiful, Resourceful, Intelligent, Thoughtful and Emotionally Connected," and they're intent on making their own way in this world.

"They" are the 15 or so women who gathered at the Allentown BrewWorks to launch the Lehigh Valley's first "Brite Nite," a women's-only event that combines career counseling and networking with socializing and — on this particular evening — a wine tasting.

"Brite Girl" is the brainchild of Sara Batterson, an Orlando, Fla., woman who'd gone through some major life changes and decided the road ahead would be much easier to travel if she had the support and guidance of friends. She came up with a plan for a networking group with a twist: encouraging women to create not only a healthy business, but a healthy image of themselves and a healthy mind as well.

Jennifer Maher of Allentown had met Sara, liked her concept, and is now the Brite Girl Lehigh Valley Chapter President. Maher owns Potential Factor, an event planning, marketing, media and public relations firm.

"It's a way for you to reach out and ask questions, learn how to help your business grow and exchange ideas," Maher says.

Maher says she'll hold "Brite Nite" once a month, with each meeting featuring a speaker to share business tips as well as vendors offering samples and demonstrations. Each meeting will focus on one of the attributes of a "Brite" woman. On March 30, it was "Beauty," with Visions Salon owner Maria DaSilva Vitorino spilling a few haircare secrets and handing out goodie bags.

As each attendee told her personal story, it was



PRESS PHOTO BY DIANE BAKOS

Left to right: Dr. Heather Strencosky, owner-founder, Comprehensive Chiropractic, P.C.; Jennifer Maher, owner, Potential Factor L.L.C. and Brite Girl Lehigh Valley Chapter President; and Maria DaSilva Vitorino, owner, Visions Hair & Nail Salon

clear that these were women anxious to get to know and to help one another.

Shakia Williams wants guidance in helping her mother fulfill a lifelong dream of opening a residential care facility for mental health patients.

Sobey Salako doesn't want to take a company relocation that would mean uprooting her children, so she could use advice for developing her own business locally.

Rita Guthrie already has her own public relations firm and says networking is crucial to a business' success.

Rayne Ritenauer owns Cold Nose Lodge, Alburtis, where she boards and trains dogs and intends to expand her facilities.

They're women from many backgrounds, but they share a single goal: to find the resources and support that will help them further their dreams.

According to speaker Heather Strencosky, owner and founder of Comprehensive Chiropractic, "If you're determined, you can make things happen. Your attitude dictates what happens in your life. You definitely have to be passionate about whatever business you're in."

The second "Brite Nite" was held April 27 at Maison Blanc, 12th and Gordon streets, Allentown. The next "Brite Nite" is 7 - 8:30 p.m. May 25 at The Shoe Box, 4787 West Tilghman St., featuring Lisa Mundy, founder and owner.

Information: Jennifer Maher, 610-462-3730, jmaher@thepotentialfactor.com, www.britegirl.com

LCCC Foundation Clay Shoot: The Lehigh Carbon Community College Foundation and Alumni Association hosts its 7th annual Scholarship Clay Shoot at Lehigh Valley Sporting Clays, Ormrod, at 10 a.m. April 30. The event concludes with a Grumpy's Roadhouse BBQ and an awards presentation. To register: 610-799-1929

VIA area clothing drive: Clean out those closets and bring your unwanted clothing to Via's Spring Cleaning for a Cause 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. May 1 at Westgate Mall, Schoenersville Road, Bethlehem, and Parkway Shopping Center, Lehigh Street, Allentown. Information: 610-317-8000

March or Dimes Dorney March: Join the Pencor Team and other organizations and individuals May 2 for the March of Dimes "March for Babies" walk at Dorney Park, South Whitehall Township. The walk distance is 3.5 miles. Registration is at 8 a.m. Start time is at 9 a.m. Information: 610-439-7420

Pediatric Cancer golf outing: The Pediatric Cancer Foundation of the Lehigh Valley holds its 2nd Annual Golf Outing May 3 at Green Pond Country Club, Bethlehem. There's a 9 a.m. shotgun start and 2 p.m. luncheon buffet. To register: 610-393-9215

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The Habit of Art Live on the Big Screen
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ANNIVERSARY

Lichtenwalner
Couple celebrates wedding anniversary

Evelyn and Wilbur Lichtenwalner of South Whitehall Township celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary April 5.

The couple has two children, Diane, wife of Edward Weil; and Brian, husband of Melinda Lichtenwalner.

They have two grandchildren, Jocelyn and Jason Weil, and a great-granddaughter, Cassidy Froelich.

The couple celebrated their anniversary with a trip to Myrtle Beach, S.C., with friends.



Wilbur and Evelyn Lichtenwalner

ENGAGEMENT

Runnels-Heintzelman
Couple plans September nuptials

Dennis and Lucille Heintzelman of New Tripoli announce the engagement of their son, Daniel A., to Jaime L. Runnels, daughter of James and Linda Runnels of Williamsport, Lycoming County.

Jaime is a 2003 graduate of Loyalsock Township High School, Williamsport. She graduated from College Misericordia in 2007 with a bachelor of arts degree in communications and marketing.

She resides in Montgomery Village, Md., and is a senior consultant for Booz Allen Hamilton, Rockville, Md.

Daniel is a 2003 graduate of Northwestern Lehigh High School and a 2007 graduate of College Misericordia with a bachelor of science degree in accounting and a minor in management.

He resides in Alburtis and is a staff accountant at PPL Corp., Allentown. A September 2010 wedding is planned in Williamsport.



Daniel A. Heintzelman and Jaime L. Runnels

8 DAYS

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- ies; Lewis Baltz: San Quentin Point portfolio**, through June 19, The Gallery at Rauch Business Center, 621 Taylor St., Bethlehem. 610-758-3615
- LEHIGH VALLEY ARTS COUNCIL**
Suite 201, 840 W. Hamilton St., Allentown. 610-437-5915
Melissa Perhamus, through May 1
- LEHIGH VALLEY HERITAGE MUSEUM**
432 W. Walnut St., Allentown. 610-435-1074
- Oil Region National Heritage Area**, through May 9
The Civil War: America at the Crossroads, through July 11
Energy Past & Present: Creating, Conserving, and Consuming, through Jan. 31, 2012
- LIBERTY BELL SHRINE**
Zion's Reformed Church 622 W. Hamilton St., Allentown. 610-435-4232
100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, through May 8; Pinewood Fun Derby Day Reception, 1 p.m. May 8
- LOWER MACUNGIE LIBRARY**
3540 Brookside Road, Lower Macungie Township. 610-966-6864
Maureen Burger, through April
Barbara Martyska, through May
- MACUNGIE INSTITUTE**
510 E. Main St., Macungie. 610-966-7830
Jacqueline Meyerson: Paintings, through April 30
- MERCANTILE HOME**
526 Northampton St., Easton. 610-258-4046
Outside In, through May 30: Matt Adrian, Christina Empedocles, Jessica Marquez, Kelly Neidig, Natalie Tyler
- MORAVIAN ARCHIVES**
41 W. Locust St., Bethlehem. 610-866-3255
The Health of Thy Countenance, through Sept 21: 250th anniversary of Count Nicholas Ludwig von Zinzendorf
- MORAVIAN COLLEGE**
Main Street Campus, Locust and Monocacy streets, Bethlehem. 610-861-1489
Student Art Show, through May 11, Payne Gallery; Reception, 4:30 - 6 p.m. May 5
- MUHLENBERG COLLEGE**
Baker Center for the Arts, 2400 Chew St., Allentown. 484-664-3467
Senior Art Exhibit, May 6 - 22, Martin Art Gallery; Reception, 4:30 - 6 p.m. May 5
Rachael Fiori: Sun-bleached and Sea-soaked, May 6 - 22, Galleria Lobby
- NAZARETH CENTER FOR THE ARTS**
30 Belvidere St., Nazareth. 610-759-8590
Richard Begbie: Up Close and Personal, May 3 - 28; Reception, 2 - 4 p.m. May 16
- NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
Communications Hall, Main Campus, 3835 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem Township. 610-861-5546
Fine Arts Students Exhibit, May 3 - 16; Talk, 3:30 p.m., College Center; Reception, 5 p.m. May 6, Communication Hall
- SNOW GOOSE GALLERY**
470 Main St., Bethlehem. 610-974-9099
The Art of the Miniature XVIII, May 2 - June 12; Reception, 1 - 5 p.m. May 2
- SWAIN SCHOOL**
1100 S. 24th St., Salisbury Township. 610-433-4542
Benjamin Walbert: Building Projects Photos, through June 1
- TC SALON**
61 W. Walnut St., Bethlehem. 610-865-9811
Kim Robertson, Ron De Long, through April
- THE BEVELED EDGE**
518 W. Broad St., Bethlehem. 610-694-0250
William S. DeRaymond: Landscape, Portrait and Still Life, through May 7
- THE MUSEUM OF ETHNOGRAPHY**
Masonic Building, 22 S. Third St., Easton
Beyond Mother Tongue: A Daughter's Awakening, through June 30
- TIMEZONES GLOBAL GOODIES AND FRAMING GALLERY**
7 E. Third St., Bethlehem
Lehigh Art Alliance, through April 30
- TOUCHSTONE THEATRE GALLERY**
321 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. 610-867-1689
Claire Marcus, Michelle Neifert, Chris Neyen: Luminations: Visual Expressions in Color, through April 30
- WESTMINSTER VILLAGE**
803 N. Wahneta St., Allentown. 610-782-8391
John Gaydos, Andrea Gaydos Landau, Chris Landau, through May 20, Westminster Village Art Walk

- 19th Street Theatre, 527 N. 19th St., Allentown. 610-432-0888
"The White Ribbon," 7:30 p.m. April 28, Theatre514, 514 N. 19th St., Allentown
"The Art of the Steal," coming soon
- LEPOCO PEACE CENTER**
313 W. Fourth St., Bethlehem. 610-691-8730
"The Good Soldier," 7 p.m. May 7: Popcorn and Politics Film Series
- CONCERTS**
- ALLENTOWN SYMPHONY HALL**
23 N. Sixth St., Allentown. 610-432-6715
Community Music School, 1 p.m. May 1: Student Recital, Rodale Community Room. Free
Gabriel Allegra Afro-Peruvian Sextet, 7:30 p.m. May 2
Allentown Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m. May 8: "Bell Telephone Hour" concert, with Dave Roper Trio
- BANANA FACTORY**
25 W. Third St., Bethlehem
mr. RAY, 10 a.m. May 8; Kidtunes
- CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY**
321 Wyandotte St., Bethlehem. 610-865-0727
Russell Jackson, Rebecca Kleintop-Owens, Timothy Smith, 4 p.m. May 2: Organ Recital
- CEDAR CREST COLLEGE**
Samuels Theatre of Tompkins College Center, 100 College Drive, Allentown. 610-606-4608
All-College Chorus, Cedar Crest Singers, Instrumental Ensemble, 2 p.m. May 2: A Beatles Tribute
- CROCODILE ROCK**
520 Hamilton St., Allentown. 610-434-4600
Job For a Cowboy, 7 p.m. April 28
Honor Society, 6:30 p.m. April 29
Rockade Festival, 6 p.m. April 30
Bleeding Through, 5 p.m. May 1
Angels and Airwaves, 7 p.m. May 2
A.M. Conspiracy, Saturate, 6 p.m. May 6
As I Lay Dying, 7 p.m. May 7
Fear of None, 8 p.m. May 7
Sevendust, 7 p.m. May 8
- EVERGREEN CLUB**
415 Hartz Road, Fleetwood. 610-944-7501
Sterling Lamm, accordion, 6 p.m. May 7
Sterling Koch, electric steel slide guitar, 6 p.m. May 8
- GODFREY DANIELS**
7 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. 610-867-2390
Blues Jam, 8 p.m. April 28. Free
Anne Hills, David Roth, 8 p.m. April 29
Jack Murray and the Midnight Creeps, 8 p.m. April 30
Gina Sicilia, Donovan-Roberts, 8 p.m. May 1
Rachel Schachter, 7 p.m. May 2: Open Mike Night
- Old-Time Jam**, 7 p.m. May 4. Free
Irish Seisiún, 7:30 p.m. May 5. Free
Eric Mintel Quartet, 7 p.m. May 7
- HARD BEAN CAFE**
201 E. Third St., Bethlehem. 610-419-9833
Open Mic Nights, 8 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays
- LAFAYETTE COLLEGE**
Williams Center for the Arts, Hamilton and High streets, Easton. 610-330-5010
Marquis Consort, 8 p.m. April 30
Concert Choir, Chamber Singers, 8 p.m. May 1. Free. Tickets required
Orpheus Chamber Orchestra, Ryu Goto, violin, 8 p.m. May 3
Lafayette instrumental and vocal students, faculty, noon May 5: First Wednesday Recital. Free
Juried Student Recital, noon May 7. Free
Jazz Ensemble, 8 p.m. May 7. Free. Tickets required
Concert Band, William Pfaff, 8 p.m. May 8: Music of Bernstein, Copeland, Stravinsky, Verdi. Free. Tickets required
- LEHIGH COUNTY SENIOR CENTER**
1633 Elm St., Allentown. 610-437-3700
Chorus, 9:30 a.m. Mondays
Orchestra, 9 a.m. Thursdays
Drumming, 10 a.m. Thursdays
Jazz Band, 9 a.m. Fridays
- LEHIGH UNIVERSITY**
Baker Hall, Zoellner Arts Center, 420 E. Packer Avenue, Bethlehem. 610-758-3414
Lehigh University Choral Arts, 8 p.m. April 30, May 1: "Bang!": Tchaikovsky, 1812 Overture; Sametz, Carmina amoris; Lecture, 7 p.m. April 30, May 1: Dr. Nadine Sine
Lehigh University Wind Ensemble, 3 p.m. May 2: Symphonic Jazz
- MACUNGIE INSTITUTE**
510 E. Main St., Macungie. 610-966-7830
Valley Music Together, 9:30, 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays; 10 a.m. Saturdays
- MORAVIAN COLLEGE**
Priscilla Payne Hurd Campus, Main and Church streets, Bethlehem. 610-861-1300

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As a service to our readers, THE PRESS weekly newspapers will print engagement, wedding and anniversary photos in color in the Focus section.

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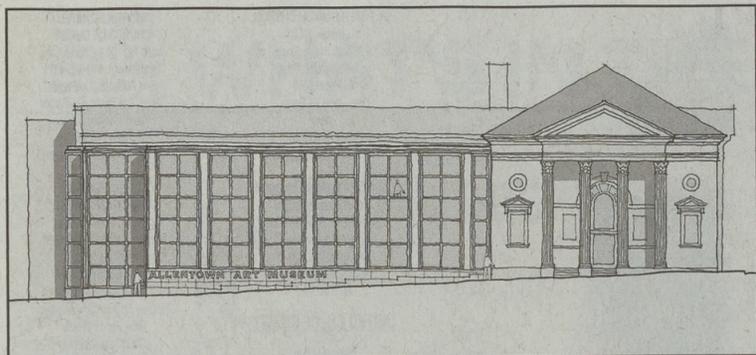
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Artist's rendering of new Fifth Street facade of Allentown Art Museum.

Museum project: \$15.4 million

The Allentown Art Museum has unveiled its long-awaited expansion and renovation project with groundbreaking scheduled for June 10.

The design is by renowned architecture firm Venturi, Scott Brown and Associates.

Alvin H. Butz, Inc. is construction manager.

The project adds 7,900-square-foot for a renovated museum lobby, new entrance through the existing portico of the former church building, a new aluminum and metal

façade, expanded museum store, a café overlooking the Arts Park, several new gallery spaces, an additional classroom, and more storage space for the permanent collection. The Linden Street parking lot will be expanded for more parking for staff and visitors.

The museum's capital campaign has raised \$20.4 million for the project and related costs and \$5 million for the endowment.

"We are excited for this

next phase of the museum to begin," said Joanne Barnette, chair of the Allentown Art Museum's Board of Trustees. "This project has had the dedication and support of the board, staff and many community donors and would not have come to fruition without their encouragement and strong support."

The museum is in a renovated 1901 Neo-Classical church, which was added onto in 1975.

LaBelle executive director of LV Performing Arts School

The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Performing Arts (LVPA) has named Diane LaBelle to the newly-created position of Executive Director effective July 1, Mario Acerra, Chairman of LVPA's Board of Directors, has announced.

LaBelle is Founding Executive Director of Reading's GoggleWorks Center for the Arts. The Bethlehem resident was also Founding Director of the Banana Factory, Bethlehem.

"The LVPA community is enthusiastic about welcoming Diane and looks forward to her valuable and unique expertise as we move forward in our mission to become a national model for improving academic achievement through the arts," Acerra said.

"I am very excited about taking a leadership position at LVPA as the school takes its next steps toward infusing academics with the arts," LaBelle said.



Diane LaBelle

"LVPA provides a wonderful opportunity for me to offer my experience and pursue my interests at a thrilling time in the school's history. I am eager to redirect my energies to my home community now that I have achieved both a professional and personal goal of establishing a thriving, self-sustaining arts center."

LaBelle, hired as a consultant to design and oversee construction of the GoggleWorks, was named executive director there in

2005 after raising \$15 million in the capital campaign to renovate the former Wilson Safety Products safety goggle factory.

LaBelle administered the six-building campus with a \$1.5-million operating budget. The GoggleWorks became a national model for community revitalization.

LaBelle's background in arts administration and education included a brief stint as LVPA's principal in the school's first year, and before that she served as Director of the Banana Factory from 1998-2003. Her background includes extensive experience in leadership roles in arts and non-profit organizations during the past 15 years.

The Lehigh Valley Charter High School for the Performing Arts provides an educational program for students grades 9 through 12 with talents and potential in dance, figure skating, instrumental music, visual arts, vocal music and theater.

By ALEXANDRA RACINES
Special to The Press

BORDERS

BOOKSELLERS

1937 Whitehall Mall, Whitehall. 610-432-5520
Red Pyramid Release Party, 2 p.m. May 8
CEDAR CREST COLLEGE
 Tompkins College Center, 100 College Drive, Allentown.
Robert Gibb, 7 p.m. April 28, 29: Selected Poems
DESALES UNIVERSITY
 DeSales University Center, 2755 Station Avenue, Center Valley. 610-282-1100

Literary Scene

Elizabeth Ortiz, 7 p.m. May 4: "Diversity in the Media"
EMMAUS PUBLIC LIBRARY
 11 E. Main St., Emmaus. 610-965-9284
Pat David Zentner, 6:30 p.m. April 29: "History of the Broad Street Hotel"

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE

Kirby Hall of Civil Rights, Sullivan Road, Easton. 610-330-5390
Cathryn Griffith, 4 p.m. May 6: "Havana Revisited," Ramer Hall, Quad Drive, Easton
MUhlenberg COLLEGE
 2400 Chew St., Allentown. 484-664-3467
Richard Rodriguez, 7:30 p.m. April 28: "Borderlands: What Hispanics Mean for America," Baker Theater, Trexler Pavilion
Dr. Franklin Sherman, 11:45 a.m. May 7: "Is the Oberammergau Passion Play

Antisemitic?" Seeger's Union
PANERA BREAD BAKERY-CAFÉ
 3301 Route 512, Bethlehem
LEPOCO Book Discussion Group, 6 p.m. May 5: "The Inheritance of Loss" by Kiran Desai
PARKLAND COMMUNITY LIBRARY
 4422 Walbert Avenue, South Whitehall Township. 610-398-1361
Kristine Fagnano, 7 p.m. April 29: "An All-Star with Autism." Reservations requested
Authors' book signings:

Sandra J. Gerencer, "Second Chance: How Adoption Saved a Boy with Autism and His Shelter Dog"; Ben Miller, "The First Resort: Fun, Sun, Fire and War in Cape May, America's Original Seaside Town"; Dennis J. Phillips, "Women Tennis Stars: Biographies and Records of Champions, 1800s to Today"; Bart Yasso, "My Life on the Run: The Wit, Wisdom and Insight of a Road Racing Icon," 7 p.m. May 6: discussion, book signings. Reservations requested
Amy Ignato, 1 p.m. May 8: "The Popularity Papers" discussion, book signing. Reservations requested

PENN STATE LEHIGH VALLEY

Penn State Lehigh Valley Corporate Learning Center, Suite 120, 100 Broadhead Road, Bethlehem. 610-285-5058
Emory Guffrovich, 10:30 a.m. coffee; 11 a.m. lecture; noon lunch May 2: "The Vietnam Conflict: Its Implications on Today's Events;" Sage Lecture Series
Submission deadline for Literary Scene is noon Monday, 10 days prior to the Wednesday-Thursday Focus section publication date. Email: alexandra.racines@litscene@gmail.com

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Composers' Concert, 7:30 p.m. April 30, Peter Hall
Jodi Vickers Bortz, flute; Rebekah Graver, Stephanie DeFelice Heavens, Tanya Lauser O'Brien, soprano, 7:30 p.m. May 1: Alumni Concert, Peter Hall; reception follows
MUhlenberg COLLEGE
 Center for the Arts, 2400 Chew St., Allentown. 484-664-3467
Muhlenberg Chamber Orchestra, 8 p.m. April 30. Free
Lehigh Saengerbund Chorus, 7 p.m. May 1: 152nd Anniversary Concert, Egner Memorial Chapel, Free
Muhlenberg Wind Ensemble, 8 p.m. May 1, Empie Theater. Free
Muhlenberg Opera Group, 7:30 p.m. May 3, 4, Recital Hall. Free
NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE
 Communications Hall, Main Campus, 3835 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem Township. 610-861-5546
Bel Canto Delle Stelle, 8 p.m. April 30: Celebrating the Human Spirit, Spring Concert
PENN'S PEAK
 325 Maury Road, Jim Thorpe. 866-605-7325
Tim Gillis, Dave Rehrig, 1 p.m. April 27, 28: "Branson Fever." Sold Out
The Nelson Riddle Orchestra, 1 p.m. April 29
Mel Tillis, 8 p.m. April 30
King Henry and the Showmen, 1 p.m. Tuesdays - Thursdays, through May: "Oscar Goes to Hollywood." No show May 27
James Otto, 8 p.m. May 2
Dennis DeYoung: Styx tribute, 8 p.m. May 7
John Michael Montgomery, 8 p.m. May 16
Air Supply, 8 p.m. May 21
Get the Led Out: Led Zeppelin tribute, 8 p.m. May 22
The Harry James Orchestra, 1 p.m. May 27. Sold Out
Yonder Mountain String Band, 9 p.m. June 4
Steven Wright, 8 p.m. June 6
Rusted Root, 8 p.m. June 12
April Wine, Winger, 7:30 p.m. June 18
Further, Phil Lesh, Bob Weir, 7 p.m. June 29. Sold Out
Herman's Hermits' Peter Noone, 8 p.m. July 9
The B-52s, 8 p.m. July 15
Sammy Kershaw, 8 p.m. July 23
Skid Row, Firehouse, 8 p.m. July 30
Little Feat, 8 p.m. July 31
Asia, 8 p.m. Aug. 5
Live Wire, Bad Medicine, 8 p.m. Aug. 20
The Outlaws, 8 p.m. Aug. 21
Blondie, 8 p.m. Sept. 1
Norris and James, 1 p.m. Sept. 21, 22
The Temptations, 8 p.m. Sept. 23
King Henry and the Showmen, 1 p.m. Tuesdays - Thursdays Sept. 29 - Oct. 21
Dick Fox's Golden Boys: Fabian, Frankie Avalon, Bobby Rydell, 8 p.m. Oct. 8
Blood, Sweat and Tears, 8 p.m. Oct. 14

America, 8 p.m. Oct. 22
The Glenn Miller Orchestra, 1 p.m. Oct. 26, 27. Sold Out Oct. 27
Ryan Pelton: Elvis Tribute, 1 p.m. Nov. 6. Sold Out
Sha Na Na, 8 p.m. Nov. 12
The Sammy Kaye Orchestra, 1 p.m. Dec. 8, 9: Christmas Show
SECOND STORY BLUES
 102 W. Fourth St., Bethlehem
Chris Beard, 8 p.m. April 30
STATE THEATRE
 453 Northampton St., Easton. 610-252-3132
Barrage, 7:30 p.m. April 30
Glenn Miller Orchestra, 2 p.m. May 7
THE FUNHOUSE
 5 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem
Tavern Tan Band, 10 p.m. April 28
Jumbo Racket, 10 p.m. April 29
The Creatures, Wet, 10 p.m. April 30
J Wok and the Pedestrians, 10 p.m. May 1
P. Thiessen Band, 10 p.m. May 3: Open Jam Night
The Octave Below, 10 p.m. May 4
The Urban Achievers, 10 p.m. May 5
Butterjive, 10 p.m. May 6
Armed for Flight, Lars Danko, 10 p.m. May 7
The Unpronounceable, 10 p.m. May 8
TREXLER MIDDLE SCHOOL
 851 N. 15th St., Allentown. 610-709-8727
Allentown Band, Marine Band, Municipal Band, Pioneer Band, 3 p.m. May 2: "Modern Musical Moods," Annual Festival of Bands
TUNES AT TWILIGHT
 Sun Inn Courtyard, 564 Main St., Bethlehem. 610-866-1758; Rain Location, McCarthy's Tea Room, 534 Main St., Bethlehem. 610-861-7631
George Hrab, 6 p.m. May 6
Large Flowerheads: 60s tribute, 6 p.m. May 13
Trouble City All Stars, 6 p.m. May 20
Drew Nugent and the Midnight Society, 6 p.m. May 27
Dan DeChellis Trio, 6 p.m. June 3
Kenetic Blu, 6 p.m. June 10
She Said Sunday, 6 p.m. June 17
Steve Brosky, Jimmy Meyer, 6 p.m. June 24
VARGTIMMEN KING KOFFEE
 506 Chestnut St., Emmaus. 610-965-3257
Open Mic Nights, 7 p.m. Wednesdays
WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 2540 Center St., Bethlehem. 610-865-5715
Satori, 7:30 p.m. April 30: Music for Piano, Flute and Strings; Brahms, Piano Quintet in F Minor, Op. 34; Mozart, Quartet in D Major for Flute and Strings; Dello Joio, Trio for Flute, Cello and Piano
Music at Wesley, 4 p.m. May 2
Lehigh Valley Gay Men's Chorus, 7 p.m. May 4
WILDFLOWER CAFÉ
 316 S. New St., Bethlehem. 610-758-8303
Open Mic Nights, 8 p.m. Mondays, Tues-

days
The Subtle Experience, 8 p.m. Wednesdays: Latin Jazz
Peter Fritz, 8 p.m. Thursdays: Open Jazz Nights
Corndogs, The Almighty Terribles, 9 p.m. April 30
DANCE
EVERGREEN CLUB
 415 Hartz Road, Fleetwood. 610-944-7501
BravoMusic, 6 p.m. April 30
FEARLESS FIRE COMPANY
 Starlite Ballroom, 1221 S. Front St., Allentown. 610-390-7550
USADance, 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays: Open Dance Sessions; Con Gallagher, 5:30 p.m. May 2, 16, 23; June 6, 27; July 11: Dances TBA
LEHIGH COUNTY SENIOR CENTER
 1633 Elm St., Allentown. 610-437-3700
Tap Dance, 9 a.m. Mondays
Line Dance, 10 a.m., 1:45 p.m. Mondays; 10 a.m. Saturdays
Cardio Dance, 10 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays
NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE
 Communications Hall, Main Campus, 3835 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem Township. 610-861-5546
Northampton Community College Dancers, 11 a.m. May 6; 7 p.m. May 7; 2 p.m. May 8, Norman R. Roberts Lab Theater
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
 424 Center St., Bethlehem. 610-868-7432
Contra Dance, 3 p.m. May 8
EVENTS
ALLENTOWN FAIRGROUNDS
 Agri-Plex, 302 N. 17th St., Allentown. 610-433-7541
Pinball Wizards Convention, Gameroom Show, 4 - 9 p.m. April 30; 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. May 1; 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. May 2
Antique and Modern Arms Show, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. May 8; 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. May 9
LEHIGH VALLEY HERITAGE MUSEUM
 432 W. Walnut St., Allentown. 610-435-1074
Mother's Day Tea, 1 p.m. May 8
NANCY RUN FIRE COMPANY HALL
 3565 Easton Avenue, Bethlehem. 610-432-8286
Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club, 7:30 p.m. May 6: "History of the Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club"
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
 107 S. 4th St., Easton. 610-253-1222
Historic Easton House Tour, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. May 1
SOCIETY OF THE ARTS HOUSE
 28th and Hamilton streets, Allentown
House Tour, May 1 - 23
FESTIVALS
ALLENTOWN FAIR
 Fairgrounds Grandstand, Allentown Fairgrounds, 17th and Liberty streets, Allentown. 610-433-7541
Rush, 7:30 p.m. Aug. 31
Keith Urban, Sept. 3
Justin Bieber, Sean Kingston, 7 p.m. Sept. 4. Sold Out

Jeff Dunham, Sept. 5
J and J Demolition Derby, Sept. 6
BACH FESTIVAL
 Packer Memorial Church, Lehigh University; First Presbyterian Church, Bethlehem
The 103rd Bethlehem Bach Festival, May 7 - 8, 13 - 15
MAYFAIR
 Cedar Beach Park, Hamilton Boulevard, Allentown. 610-437-6900
Matsyahu, 9:30 p.m. May 27, Cabaret Stage
Charlie Cruz, 10 p.m. May 27, Lakeside Stage
Lucky 7, 6 p.m. May 28, Lakeside Stage
Daddy Licks, 7:30 p.m. May 28, Lakeside Stage
BeatleMania Again, 9:30 p.m. May 28, Lakeside Stage
The Large Flowerheads, 6:30 p.m. May 29, Lakeside Stage
Wailing Waters featuring Tyler Grady, 9:30 p.m. May 29, Lakeside Stage
Sanctus Real, Mikeschier, Beyond Barriers, 6 - 9 p.m. May 30
Local Rock Bands TBA, May 31
MUSIKFEST
 Sands RiverPlace, Sand Island, Bethlehem. 610-332-FEST (3378)
Counting Crows, Aug. 7
Norah Jones, 8:30 p.m. Aug. 7. Opening act TBA
Martina McBride, 8:30 p.m. Aug. 8
Lynrd Skynrd, 8:30 p.m. Aug. 9
Heart, 8:30 p.m. Aug. 10
The Doobie Brothers, 8:30 p.m. Aug. 11
Styx, Blue Oyster Cult, 7 p.m. Aug. 12
Adam Lambert, Orianthi, Aug. 13
Selena Gomez & The Scene, 7:30 p.m. Aug. 14
 Candlelight Concert Series, Moravian College, Foy Concert Hall, Priscilla Payne Hurd Campus, Main and Church streets, Bethlehem. 610-861-1300
Jonathan Beedle, A.J. Swearingen: Simon and Garfunkel tribute, 6:30 p.m. Aug. 6
Joe Lovano, John Scofield Quartet, 6:30 p.m. Aug. 7
Richie Havens, 6:30 p.m. Aug. 8
Cherish the Ladies, 6:30 p.m. Aug. 12
Dave Mason, 6:30 p.m. Aug. 13
Suzy Bogguss, 7 p.m. Aug. 14
 Performing Arts Series, Zoellner Arts Center, East Packer Avenue, Bethlehem. 610-758-3414
Dark Horse Orchestra, 7 p.m. Aug. 9
The Avett Brothers, 8:30 p.m. April 11
RIVERFUSION
 Ilick's Mill, 100 Ilick's Mill Road, Bethlehem. 610-653-09086
Matt and Kim, Julia Nunes, 3 - 9 p.m. May 1; also: Jonathan Beedle, A.J. Swearingen: Simon and Garfunkel tribute, Billy Bauer Band, Post Junction, Trouble City All-stars, The Subtle, Sandlot Heroes
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PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF RUTH E. ROELS, 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:
 Patrick A. Roels, Executor
 c/o Adrian J. Wasko, Esq.
 453 Linden Street
 Allentown, PA 18102
 or to their Attorney:
 Adrian J. Wasko, Esq.
 453 Linden Street
 Allentown, PA 18102
 April 28, May 5, 12

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF STEPHEN A. BANUS, deceased, late of Zionsville, 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:
 Christina M. Banus, Executrix
 c/o Michael Ira Stump, Esquire
 119 E. Main Street
 Macungie, PA 18062
 Or to her Attorney:
 Michael Ira Stump, Esquire
 119 E. Main Street
 Macungie, PA 18062
 Apr. 14, 21, 28

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 11:00am on Thursday, May 13, 2010 when they will be opened and read.

Materials: All quantities are +/-.
 -- 50 tons cold patch
 -- Stone -- 200 tons #1, 700 tons #8 stone 2.0% by wash, 150 tons #57, 800 tons 2A aggregate, 200 tons 2RC
 -- 500 tons PennDot approved anti-skid

Fuels: All quantities +/-. Automatic delivery to tanks at Township Municipal Building.
 -- 1,500 gals. 89 octane gas
 -- 3,500 gals. #2 heating oil
 -- 5,500 gals. B5 bio-diesel, must meet ASTM specs.

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

All proposals must be made upon the form furnished by the Township, obtained at the Municipal Building or by calling the Township Secretary at 610-767-9297 ext. 10. The Supervisors reserve the right to reject any item or items and also reserve the right to reject any and all proposals. A non-collusion affidavit must be submitted by each bidder.

Apr. 21, 28

Janice M. Bortz, Township Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Estate of **ROBERT F. KIBLER a/k/a ROBERT KIBLER**, deceased, late of Slatington, County of Lehigh, and State of Pennsylvania, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
 Executrix: Kathy Christman a/k/a Kathryn Christman
 a/k/a Kathryn Ann Christman
 Address: 843 Washington Street
 Walnutport, PA 18088
 or to her Attorney: David B. Shulman, Esquire
 SHULMAN & SHABBICK
 1935 Center Street
 Northampton, PA 18067
 Apr. 28, May 5, 12

NORTHAMPTON PUBLIC AUCTION
TWIN HOME & EXTRA BUILDABLE LOT W. GARAGE
2:30 P.M. SAT., MAY 8, 2010
 Location: 456 E. 11th Street, Northampton, Penna.
 Well maintained 2 1/2 story frame(w. vinyl siding) single family 1/2 dbl (twin) home & detached 2+ car garage(2nd fl. storage) on a lot 25'x 150'. Interior home features- kitchen, enc. rear porch, lge. dbl. liv rm.(h/w floors), 3 bedrms., 1 1/2 bath attic, basement-laundry area, full utilities & conveniences. **Extra Lot:** adjacent, measures 50'x 150' and has a detached brick 3 car garage. GREAT PROPERTY, OFFERS MANY POSSIBILITIES. Will be offered as individual units, and or as an entirety. **Terms:** (R.E.) 5% down, bal in 45 days. Other terms day of auction. **Inspection: Sun May 2, 2010 - 1 to 2 P.M.**
 Doug/Tim Houser Aucts. AU-000446L Sale by: John & David Christof
 Jason/Nathan Houser - Assoc. Aucts.
 610-799-2396 or 570-386-2191 www.houserauctioneers.com

PUBLIC NOTICE
 The Borough of Alburts is seeking sealed bids for "South Main Street Improvements". The scope of work includes: removal and installation of concrete curb and sidewalks; installation of ADA curb ramps; installation of underground conduit within lawn strip; relocation of signs; and provide temporary traffic controls.

Alternate work includes installation of brick pavers.

Bids must be in accordance with specifications which may be obtained from the Engineer's office at the address below, between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. The charge for the Bidding Documents should be made payable to the Engineer for \$25.00 per set (non-refundable). The documents shall be sent via U.P.S. upon request and receipt of a separate \$15.00 check (non-refundable) for shipping fees made payable to the Engineer.

Engineer's Office: Barry Isett & Associates, Inc.
 85 South Route 100 & Kressler Lane
 P.O. Box 147
 Trexlertown, PA 18087-0147

Sealed bids must be received at the Alburts Borough Office no later than 4:00 PM prevailing time on Monday, May 17, 2010, at which time bids will be opened in public. Bidders or other interested parties are invited to attend. Bids must be sealed and clearly marked "BID - South Main Street Improvements".

All work shall be in accordance with PennDOT Publication 408/2007 unless directed otherwise.

Bidders are encouraged to contact Bryan Smith of Barry Isett & Associates, Inc. at (610) 398 - 0904 with any questions at least 7 days prior to bid opening.
 Apr. 28, May 5, 12

PUBLIC NOTICE
BIDS WANTED
 Sealed bids will be accepted by Lehigh Career & Technical Institute for the following:

- (55) Cosmetology Kits
- Solar PV & Wind Turbine Technology Panels w/Accessories
- Motion Control Learning System, Power & Control Electronics Learning System, Pneumatic
- Troubleshooting System & Mobile Technology Workstation w/Visc
- Used Haas CNC Lathe Model SL-20
- Virtual Wheel Loader Training Simulator
- Blodgett #SB10E Convection Steamer
- John Deere 2720 Tractor w/Accessories
- Vrtex 360 Virtual Sparkies Welding Simulator/Evaluator
- Used 2006 or Newer - All Wheel Driver Grader
- (2) Residential Data and Signal Technologies Course
- Residential Electronics Systems Installer Basics
- (6) Electricity Learning System
- Crown Narrow Aisle Rider Reach

Bids will be received at the Business Office, 4500 Education Park Drive, Schnecksville, PA 18078 until 2:00 p.m. prevailing time on Friday, May 7, 2010. For further information and specifications, inquire at the above address or call 610-799-1337 between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Apr. 14, 21, 28

Randy Hensinger, Bus. Adm./Board Sec.

PUBLIC AUCTION
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UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP

Notice to Bidders: Sealed proposals will be received by the Township of Upper Milford, Lehigh County, PA, at 5671 Chestnut St., PO Box 210, Old Zionsville, PA 18068, until 1:00 P.M. and opened at 1:15 P.M. on May 11, 2010. Contract award May 20, 2010.

General Description: Approximately 88,620 sq. yd. Single and 28,544 sq. yd. of Second Application Bituminous Seal Coat in place. Approximately 4,000 gallons of Polymer Modified Crack Sealing, approximately 275 gallons of Skin Patching.

Bidders must be PennDOT pre-qualified as Prime Contractor. Work to be done as directed by Upper Milford Township.

Bid Submission: Proposals must be upon the forms furnished by the municipality including a non-collusion affidavit.

Bonding: 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. Bidders must clearly mark and identify bidding documents.

Rejection of Bids: The municipality reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. Proposal forms and specifications may be obtained at the Township Building during normal business hours Monday - Friday, 8 A.M. until 4 P.M.

Upper Milford Township
Attn: Kimberly D. Shaak
5671 Chestnut St.
P.O. Box 210
Old Zionsville, PA 18068
Phone: (610) 966-3223

Apr. 21, 28

PUBLIC NOTICE
BOROUGH OF MACUNGIE
ZONING HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Borough of Macungie Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, May 12, 2010, at 7:30 P.M. in Borough Council Chambers, 21 Locust Street, Macungie, PA, on the following appeal:

APPEAL 2010-4, JEFFREY KRANYECZ, 419 MAIN STREET, MACUNGIE, is requesting an interpretation of Zoning Ordinance Section 345-15.A and B and the Assistant Zoning Officer's enforcement notice dated March 8, 2010 regarding expansion of the applicant's automotive business at 401 E. Main Street on the property at 419 E. Main Street, Macungie. The site is located in the R-10 Zoning District.

The applicants and all interested parties must appear at the hearing to be heard.

Chris L. Boehm
Assistant Zoning Officer

Apr. 28, May 5

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Borough of Alburts Zoning Hearing Board will conduct a hearing on May 5, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at Alburts Borough Hall, 260 Franklin Street, Alburts, PA 18011. The Board will consider the appeal of Daniel Goodman, whose property is located at 440/442 Franklin Street, Alburts, PA 18011.

Daniel Goodman is seeking variances to Zoning Ordinance Section 21-408 regarding minimum yard requirements and Zoning Ordinance 21-905(b) regarding front porch requirements for the existing non-conforming dwelling units.

The Alburts Borough Hall is accessible to the physically handicapped. If you need any reasonable accommodations for a disability, please call 610-966-4777 to make arrangements.
Apr. 21, 28

PUBLIC NOTICE
LOWER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids/proposals for the following will be received until 3:00 P.M. May 11, 2010, by Lower Macungie Township at the municipal offices, 3400 Brookside Road, Macungie, Pennsylvania 18062, at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

Bid to Construct and Install (Masonry)
Entrance Sign for New Fire Station

Copies of the Bid documents and complete specifications may be obtained from the office of Lower Macungie Township, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. A non-refundable fee of \$10.00 will be charged for hard copy bid packets.

Bid surety in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid price is required. Performance, Payment and Maintenance Bonds will be required in accordance with PA State statutes.

The Board of Commissioners of Lower Macungie Township reserves the rights to reject any and all bids and to accept the bid that is in the best interest of Lower Macungie Township.
Bruce Fosselman, Township Manager
Apr. 21, 28

PUBLIC NOTICE
MEETING NOTICE: BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF COPLAY, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

The Coplay Borough Council will be considering the following Ordinance at the Regular Borough Council Meeting of Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at 7 PM in the Coplay Borough Hall, 98 South 4th Street, Coplay, Pennsylvania, at which time formal action and adoption may take place. Copies of these documents may be inspected at the Coplay Borough Office during regular business hours, 8 AM to 4:30 PM and may be obtained for the cost of copying:

ORDINANCE NO. 785
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF CHAPTER 16 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF COPLAY TITLED PARKS AND RECREATION, PART 1 PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS AND PART 2 POOL RULES AND REGULATIONS.
Sandra A. Gycsek, Borough Secretary
Apr. 28

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, in the ESTATE of CECILIA L. PROCKUP a/k/a Cecilia R. Prockup a/k/a Cecilia Prockup, deceased, late of South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, the Register of Wills has granted Letters Testamentary to the person named. All persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent are requested to make known, the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Deborah Walker, Executrix
19013 Panther Court, Leesburg, VA 20176
or her Attorney: Christopher M. McLean, Esq.
Zator Law Offices, LLC
4400 Walbert Avenue
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Apr. 21, 28, May 5

PUBLIC NOTICE
SOUTH WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Notice is hereby given that the South Whitehall Township Civil Service Commission will be holding a meeting on Wednesday, May 5, 2010 at 10:00 am in the Conference Room of the Township Municipal Building located at 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, PA.

Sheldon P. Siegel, Chairman
Civil Service Commission
Apr. 28

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF LEONA G. ZIEGENFUS, deceased, late of N. Irving St., 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:
Carlton L. Ziegenfus
816 E. Gordon St.
Allentown, PA 18109

Executor, or to this attorney, Steckel and Stopp, By: Stephen A. Strack, Esquire, at 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080.
Apr. 21, 28, May 5

PUBLIC NOTICE
ZONING HEARING BOARD
UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP

NOTICE is hereby given that the Zoning Hearing Board will meet in the Upper Milford Township Municipal Building, 5671 Chestnut Street, Emmaus, PA 18049, on Monday, May 10, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. to hear the following appeals:

ALL APPELLANTS MUST APPEAR
AT THE HEARING

Appeal No. 2010-004, Metro PCS Pennsylvania, LLC of 510 Virginia Dr., Fort Washington, PA 19034, requests a Special Exception to Article 3, Section 305.C.26 and 312.E.69 of the Zoning Ordinance in order to co-locate additional antennas and install related ground equipment. Global Towers, LLC owns the tower located at 5141 Jasper Rd., Emmaus, PA 18049. Rural Agricultural (R-A) Zoning District.

ZONING HEARING BOARD
UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP
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ESTATE OF HELEN M. LAMB, Deceased, late of Bethlehem, 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:
Beverly McCartney, Executrix
or to her attorney:
John M. Ashcraft, III, Esq.
20 North 5th St., Suite #1
Emmaus, PA 18049-2406
Apr. 21, 28, May 5

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF PAUL A. KUEHNER, deceased, late of North Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, PA, Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:
Joel P. Kuehner
342 Gilmore Lane
Lexington, VA 24450

Elizabeth K. Mauch
216 S. Third Street
Lewisburg, PA 17837
or to their attorney, Steckel and Stopp, By: Charles W. Stopp, at 125 S. Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080.
Apr. 21, 28, May 5

PUBLIC NOTICE
BID INVITATION
GRASS CUTTING - UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP

The Township of Upper Macungie will receive sealed bids for the following:

GRASS CUTTING

Specifications and bid forms are available at the Municipal Office at 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031 during normal business hours, 7:30am to 4:30pm.

Bids will be received no later than May 17, 2010 at 9:00am prevailing time, at the Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031. Bids will be publicly opened and read at 9:01am.

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the proposal made payable to the Township of Upper Macungie.

The Board of Supervisors reserve the right to waive any informality in bidding, increase or decrease the quantities, reject any or all bids, and award the contract in the Township's best interest.

Kathy A. Rader
Township Supervisor
Apr. 28, May 5

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF EVA L. WILLARD, deceased, late of Northampton, Northampton County. Letters of 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 are requested to make payments without delay to Carrol Nemchik, Executor, c/o Robert Morse, 350 S. Main St., Suite 310, Doylestown, PA 18901.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of HERMAN W. HABERSTUMPF, deceased, late of Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pa.
Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Dennis H. Haberstumpf, Executor
c/o William F. Kocher, Jr.
509 Linden Street
Allentown, PA 18101

or to their Attorney: William F. Kocher, Jr., Esquire
509 Linden Street
Allentown, PA 18101
Apr. 28, May 5, 12

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of EDITH B. HANSEL, late of Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned who request all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent to make known all the same, and all persons indebted to the decedent to make payments without delay to:
James G. Hansel
c/o John O. Stover, Jr., Esquire
537 Chestnut Street
Emmaus, PA 18049

or to his attorney: John O. Stover, Jr., Esquire
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BASEBALL

D11 championships will be at Coca-Cola Park

By PETER CAR
pcar@tnonline.com

District 11 baseball teams have a greater incentive to make the district championships this year after news of Coca-Cola Park being the site for this year's games was announced last week.

District 11 baseball chairman and Northampton athletic director Mike Schneider said that talks about using the Iron-

Pigs facility started two years ago to play PIAA state playoff games at the venue, but the dates didn't work out for that agenda this year.

Instead, District 11 got the benefit of the schedule inconvenience by being able to host all four D11 title games on Wednesday June 2 and Thursday June 3.

Two games would be played each day, but Schneider didn't specify when each classifica-

tion would be playing.

"This is something that all coaches and players in the district will be looking forward to," said Schneider of playing at the Triple-A venue. "Even teams like Tri-Valley, who are pretty far from the Lehigh Valley already, said they would look forward to playing. Everyone is excited about the opportunity."

Playing the games at Coca-Cola Park this year will be a

reprieve from Coplay's Sammy Balliet Stadium, which Schneider mentioned, "will still be under consideration for the semi-finals because of their lighting."

With the IronPigs schedule always taking priority, playing the D11 championships at the site in the future isn't a given.

"As of now, it's only for this year," Schneider said of the year. See **Finals** on Page A14

Liberty-Easton showdown Wed.

By PETER CAR
pcar@tnonline.com

It shouldn't be a surprise that Liberty is hanging around the top of the Lehigh Valley Conference baseball standings, for yet another spring.

Andy Pitsilos has a knack at nurturing teams and making them believe.

That's no different for this year's crop of Hurricanes, who are tied for first place with Easton in the East Division. All this without having a cemented number two starter on the mound, along with three sophomores in the starting lineup.

Pitsilos still knows that there's work needed to be done and this week's full slate will put Liberty to work.

"The first 11 games of the season have told us a lot about ourselves," said Pitsilos of his team's 9-2

mark before yesterday's afternoon contest with Dieruff. "Hopefully, we can get stronger as the season goes on, but we have some work to do this week."

That work may have started with the Huskies (1-11) yesterday, but the 'Canes will be pulling overtime shifts, as they have games slated for three straight days this week, including a rematch with Easton (9-3, 5-2) Wednesday at Coca-Cola Park, which is a make-up date for Sunday's rained out affair.

That will be followed up with tomorrow's trek to Emmaus (5-5).

Still, with both Easton and Liberty tied with 5-2 league marks, today's winner could go a long way towards deciding the division. Easton beat Liber-

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PRESS PHOTOS BY NANCY SCHOLZ

Grant Wilsterman of Liberty took third place at number-two singles at last weekend's LVC tennis tournament at Freedom.

LVC TENNIS

Wilsterman is 3rd

By KATIE MCDONALD
kmcaldonald@tnonline.com

Liberty's Grant Wilsterman took the bronze medal at number-two singles during the LVC tennis championships last Thursday at Freedom after defeating Nazareth's Adam Harris 10-5.

"I am quite proud. I wasn't expecting to get this far," said an exhausted Wilsterman, who was seeded sixth. "I threw it all away against Sean Devine and Freedom."

In his first of four matches, Wilsterman defeated Dieruff's Tyler Darrach 8-5. His second was an 8-4 victory over Freedom's Matt Murnin. In semifinals, Wilsterman was defeated by Parkland's Sean Devine 4-10.

"I had a really good match against Sean Devine. He plays really



Freedom's Soham Sengupta



Becahi's Stephen Rossi

well," Wilsterman said.

Wilsterman was happiest with his first serve throughout the tournament, and pointed out that his matches included excessive running.

Regarding his match against Murnin, Wilsterman said, "He was really good. He made a lot of good shots."

Wilsterman's consolation match against Har-

ris was marked by wind, but Wilsterman was careful to control his shots and hit the ball into the wind as much as possible.

Liberty coach Leo Schnalzer said, "I think Grant has improved his game throughout the season. His serve is consistent, he's hitting the ball better, and I'm pleased See **Singles** on Page A15

Klacik/Bogardo take 3rd

By KATIE MCDONALD
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Freedom's Matt Klacik and Rob Bogardo clinched the bronze medal at number-two doubles at the LVC tennis championships on Thursday at Freedom after defeating Easton's Humza Ahmed and Jeff Dailey 10-4.

"It feels wonderful," said Klacik who was part of the second-seeded team coming in. "In the last three years, I lost in

the first round to teams we beat during the season. The little time we've had, we were able to mesh and work well together."

Klacik, a senior, started the season as a singles player, but realized he preferred doubles. Bogardo, a freshman, had been paired with Timur Ozekcin until four matches ago.

"We just need to play our game consistently, not too many unforced errors, and be aggress-

sive at the net," said Bogardo, prior to their consolation match against the Red Rovers.

Earlier in the day, the Patriot pair defeated Liberty's Avi Lingwal and Gardiner Kreglow (seeded 7th) 8-2 before falling to Nazareth's Rich Werner and Brendan Burton (3rd seed) 8-5.

Klacik said, "We got beat in a close one."

By the time the consolation match against Har-

ris was marked by wind, but Wilsterman was careful to control his shots and hit the ball into the wind as much as possible. See **Doubles** on Page A15

VOLLEYBALL
Hawks back to basics

By PETER CAR
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Bethlehem Catholic was off to a scorching 7-0 start in volleyball action, but the team had water dumped on them last week en route to two losses to put their fire out.

Despite suffering setbacks to Nazareth and Whitehall last week, head coach Mike Zile doesn't see the recent slump as a downward spiral, rather a glitch in the system.

"You can say it was a wake-up call for our guys," said Zile after his team lost to the Blue Eagles and Zephyrs in five games each bout. "We knew that we were heading into the tough part of our schedule at this point. Whitehall swept us last year and

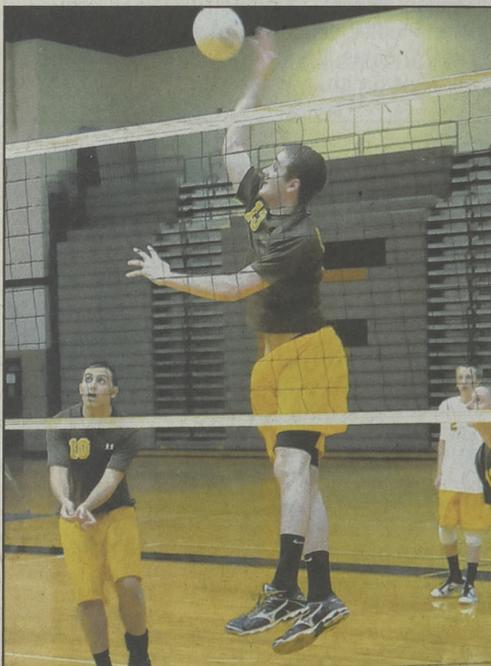
returned the same team pretty much. Nazareth is an up and coming team too, so we put it in perspective, but I think our guys realize that they have to pay attention to the details."

Those details will be vital this week, as Becahi (7-2) took on Parkland (9-1) yesterday and face Emmaus (6-2) Thursday.

With the early part of the season out of the way, now the Hawks have the spotlight on them.

A chance for redemption is the agenda this week.

"We started out strong because of our schedule and now we're in the tough part of the season" said Zile. "We went to watch Northeastern play See **Vball** on Page A15



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Kyle Tanczos and the Hawks are looking to break out of their mini-slump.

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Liberty needs just two wins to clinch a District 11 playoff berth.



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A look at some recent meets as well as the top performers so far in the LVC.

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THEY SAID IT

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MIKE ZILE
BC VOLLEYBALL
COACH

SCHEDULE

- BECAHI Baseball**
- 4/29 Parkland, 4
- 5/1 Hazleton, 12
- 5/3 Emmaus, 4
- Softball**
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- 5/1 at Notre Dame, 2
- 5/3 Emmaus, 4
- Soccer**
- 4/28 Dieruff, 4
- 4/30 Liberty, 4
- 5/3 at Catty, 4
- 5/4 at Freedom, 4
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- 5/3 at Easton, 3:30
- Tennis**
- 4/29 at Wilson, 3:30
- Volleyball**
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- FREEDOM Baseball**
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- Track**
- 5/3 at Freedom, 3:30

'Canes need two wins

By PETER CAR
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Jason Horvath found himself in a similar position last year as Liberty was looking to claim a spot in the District 11 soccer tournament.

His team needed one win in the final week to clinch a spot. They didn't get it.

This year, Liberty (7-6) needs two more wins with two weeks left on the schedule and Horvath hopes his girls do get it.

Following Saturday's 4-0 loss to Nazareth at the Lehigh Valley Conference play-day, Liberty now needs to do something it couldn't accomplish last season, and that's win to get in.

"It should be attainable for us, but there are no easy games in this conference," said Horvath. "We were in the meat of

our schedule and we knew that coming in to last week. We didn't get the results we wanted, but I also don't think we came away discouraged with our performance."

Nazareth (8-4) jumped on top of Liberty 3-0 before halftime with tallies by Katie Pitsko, Lennon Kramer and Carissa Strye.

Saturday's loss was precluded by last Wednesday's 5-1 defeat to Emmaus, where Liberty fell behind by a 4-0 margin before halftime as well.

Keeping themselves in contests against the LVC's elite competition may be a concern for Horvath, but he knows that with this week's slate, which features games against Northampton and Bethlehem Catholic, that the 'Canes are back to playing middle of the pack teams, which Horvath is confi-

dent will garner finer gains.

"We're a young team and people need to remember that about us," he said. "Sometimes our effort isn't there to start games and I think that was evident against Emmaus and Nazareth, but the girls know what's expected of them the rest of the way. We're playing teams over the next five games where we can get the two wins we need."

"We just need to do it now."

Liberty plays Pleasant Valley, Easton and Freedom next week to close out their schedule.

Becahi (4-7) has found itself in the same boat as Liberty, instead, they need a little more work to clinch a district berth.

The Hawks played the brunt of their schedule last week, losing to Whitehall, Parkland and

Emmaus by a combined margin of 13-1.

Abby Guman scratched a scoreless week by scoring in the second half on Saturday against the Hornets during a 3-1 loss.

Now, with six games left, Becahi needs three more league wins to qualify for districts, which includes contests against Dieruff (2-10) today and Friday's battle with Liberty. They also play Freedom and Easton in the LVC, along with non-league contest against Catasauqua and Notre Dame-GP.

Freedom's nightmare season continued on Saturday after suffering a 2-1 loss to Dieruff. Emily Matos broke a 1-1 half-time draw with a second half goal to lead Dieruff to their second win of the season.

Freedom now sits at 1-12.



PRESS PHOTO BY SCOTT W. PAGEL

Liberty's Ashley Benbenek, shown here vs. Freedom, scored the lone goal in a 5-1 loss to Emmaus recently.

First

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ty 14-7 on April 6, but top pitcher Colin Gotzon didn't throw that day.

Gotzon will likely start today.

"Most of the top teams didn't see us with Gotzon on the mound," said Pitsi-

los. "He definitely makes things different for us, but we still need to get a solidified number two pitcher before the post-season."

Still, as the young 'Canes have matured throughout the season, today's game with the Rovers will show how much maturity Liberty has developed thus far.

"It's going to be a big game for us," said Pitsilos. "Being around the program over the years, the kids know what to expect. We try to groom them into being good ballplayers, but games like this really shows you what type of kids you have."

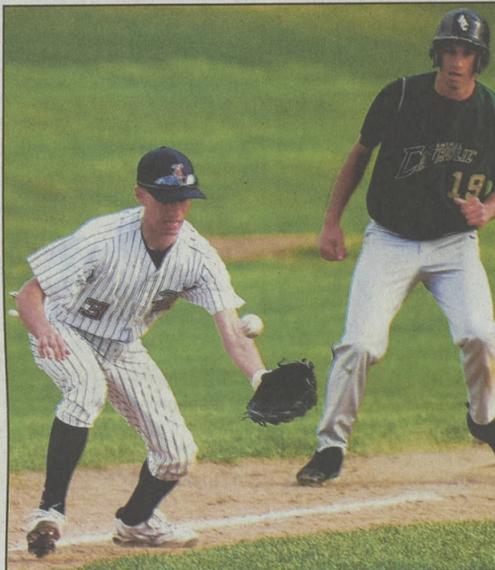
Bethlehem Catholic (8-3) have won four straight games, including a 10-0 win over Northampton and a 6-4 triumph over Nazareth last week.

Becahi faces some tougher foes this week, with Whitehall (6-4) on the agenda Tuesday and Parkland (9-2) slated for Thursday afternoon.

Throw in a Saturday tilt with Hazleton and the Hawks hope to clinch a district berth this week.

Freedom (5-7) lost some of its mojo last week, losing two straight to Nazareth and Northampton, before trouncing Allen on Saturday 16-1. The Pates' fate for districts may be clearer this week with contests against Parkland and Whitehall during the week, followed by a Saturday outing with Pocono Mountain East.

With eight games left on the docket, the Pates need to win five to qualify for a district berth.



PRESS PHOTO BY SCOTT W. PAGEL

Liberty's Chad VanHorn, left, looks to gain control of the ball at third base during last Thursday's 11-7 win over Central Catholic.



PRESS PHOTO BY SCOTT W. PAGEL

Softball

Liberty's Jensen Appleman, left, takes a throw at second base for an out before firing to first for an attempted double play during last Thursday's game against Central. The Hurricanes won 5-0 to remain undefeated in the Lehigh Valley Conference.

Finals

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championship schedule, "but as we've seen with our Lehigh Valley Conference play-days, the kids love playing at the field and seeing their names up on the scoreboard.

"We'll just have to see how the schedule works out in the future."

This year's tournament does feature a different format, with play-in games to be held on Monday, May 24. Quarterfinals will be played on Tuesday, May 25. Semifinals will then be held at a neutral site on Thursday

May 27. First and second round games will be hosted by the higher seed.

This format gives teams plenty of time to rest pitchers in between the semifinals and the finals, since last year's tournament saw championship contenders play on back-to-back days following rain-outs.

SUBURBAN DART LEAGUE

St. Pauls (8-7 15in, 12-4, 4-3) vs. Dryland

SP - Jennifer Erkinger 8-16
HR, Rich Kern 7-16, Kevin Gross 7-16, Vince Ventrudo 5-15 2-run

HR, Paul Slimmon 5-16, Brian Gross 4-16.

D - Bruce Vollman 6-13, Shawn Sigley 6-16 HR, Larry Golick 4-14, Sandy Roth HR.

* St. Pauls wins tiebreaker for fifth league championship.

Emmanuel (3-2) vs. Ebenezer (8-7, 5-4)

Eb - Eric Miller 8-14, Frank Marziliano 6-12 HR, Carl Fralay 6-13, Don Matz HR.

Em - Keith Vassa 6-10 HR, Bill Carraghan 5-8.

* Ebenezer with sixth place trophy.

HOOPS

The Third Annual Echevarria Tournament will benefit the Fowler Recreation Center in the memory of the Echevarria children. Events include: 5-on-5 basketball, face painting, DJ, concession stand, games, prizes, and much more.

It will take part Saturday, May 8 at 3:30 p.m. at Yasso Park, E. 6th St., Bethlehem.

All teams must preregister for this event, eight players max per team, ages 15-19 and \$20 per team fee.

In the event of rain, festivities will be Saturday, May 15, 4 p.m. at Yosko Park

For more information, or for questions regarding weather, please call Mark Atkinson, Southside Recreation Coordinator, at 610-997-7971 or Southside Boys and Girls Club at 610-865-5141.



Hoops

OLPH won their youth basketball CBL Division and finished as the 2009-2010 U9 CBL Division Champions. Members of the team were: back row (left to right) - coach Lisa Kanyuk, Michael Santos, Jacob Kanyuk, Sean Pohl, Ryan Pfeiffer, coach Joe Leary; front row - Drew Thomas, Danny Leary, Antonio Weaver and Kyle Smith.

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TRACK & FIELD

Hawk girls top CCHS

By KATIE MCDONALD kmcaldonald@tnonline.com

Becahi's girls track and field team scored an 81-65 victory over Central Catholic last week.

Individual event winners for the Hawks were Alyssa Cardillo in the 100, 200, and long jump. Kelly Brown won the shot put, and Sarah Peppe won the pole vault.

Members of the 4x1 were Jade Kobitsky, Cardillo, Lexi Reightler, and Mara Blanchard. Members of the 4x8 were Annie Aaroe, Caroline Hosa, Jenny Schadt, and Rachel Balogh.

Blanchard placed third in the 100, and Amanda Reichenbach took third in the 200. Kubitsky placed fourth. Kate Moroney and Christy McKinney placed third and fourth, respectively, in the 400.

In distance events, Aaroe came in second in the 800, Sarah Braun placed second in the 1600, Christa Irzinski took fourth in the 1600, and Schadt came in third in the 3200.

Balogh placed second in the 300 intermediate hurdles. Rachel Baldasare placed third in the shot put. In the javelin, Taylor Siegfried took second place, and Caitlin Kessler took fourth.

Pate boys beat Allen

By KATIE MCDONALD kmcaldonald@tnonline.com

Freedom's boys track and field team scored a 73-67 victory over Allen last week.

Individual event winners for the Patriots were Nathaniel Palmer in the 3200, Darius Webb in the 110 high hurdles, Giovanni Rivera in the shot put, and Keith Ward in the long jump.

Dorsa, Alvin Redcross, and Joshua Young also took first place in the 4x4 relay.

Julian Hill placed third in the 100 meter, Nevin Reyes placed third in the 200 meter, and Young placed fourth in the 400 meter.

In distance events, Josh Ehret took second place in the 800 and fourth place in the 1600. Palmer was second in the 1600. Craig Arner was fourth

in the 300 intermediate hurdles. In the shot put, Jose Gonzalez came in second, and Joshua Sims came in fourth. Daniel Lugo and Stan Quirogo placed second and fourth, respectively, in the discus.

Philip Cygan took second place in the javelin, Gonzalez took third, and Ward took fourth. Ward also placed third in the triple jump.

LVC TRACK BESTS

- BOYS 100 - 1 (tie). Tyler Kern (Nazareth), Rico Goldstone (Parkland), Matt Haas (Parkland), Andre Williams (Parkland) 10.8; 200 - 1. Stephen Lewis (Liberty) 21.9, 2. Williams (Parkland) 22.2, 3. Kern (Nazareth) 22.3; 400 - 1. Christian Malone (Whitehall) 50.3, 2. Haas (Parkland) 51.9, 3. Two tied at 52.2; 800 - 1. Jon Merwine (Bethlehem Catholic) 1:59.6, 2. Steve Leonhardt (Whitehall) 2:00.5, 3. Bernard England (Easton) 2:01.3; 1600 - 1. Steve Leonhardt (Whitehall) 4:30.59, 2. Matt Kacyon (Whitehall) 4:32.0, 3. Merwine (Bethlehem Catholic) 4:34.8; 3200 - 1. David Strauss (Parkland) 9:53.62, 2. Kacyon (Whitehall) 9:55.67, 3. David Figueroa (Dieruff) 10:17.0; 110 hurdles - 1. Lewis (Liberty) 13.9, 2. Andre Williams (Parkland) 14.6, 3. Jason Solensky (Parkland) 14.7; 300 hurdles - 1. Solensky (Parkland) 39.5, 2. Lewis (Liberty) 40.7, 3. Kyree Riddick (Dieruff) 42.3; 400 relay - 1. Parkland (Goldstone, Haas, Szewczak, Williams) 43.46, 2. Whitehall (Boateng, Fiore, Guya, Somerville) 44.3, 3. Allen 44.4 (Kyte, Williams, Cruz, Warren); 1600 relay - 1. Easton (Caul, Dronebarger, Toribio, Panky) 3:33.4, 2. 3. Dieruff (Rocha, Crachi, Luna, Porter) 3:36.03; Bethlehem Catholic 3:35.0; 3200 relay - 1. Dieruff (Rocha, Luna, Newton, Porter) 8:21.0, 2. Bethlehem Catholic 8:23.0, 3. Parkland 8:24.0; Long jump - 1. Chris Astacio (Whitehall) 22-3 3/4, 2. Goldstone (Parkland) 22-0, 3. Adam Bridgeforth (Nazareth) 21-9 1/2; Triple jump - 1. Astocio

- (Whitehall) 43-3 1/4, 2. Bridgeforth (Nazareth) 43-0, 3. Kris Joint (Parkland) 42-10; High jump - 1. Lewis (Liberty) 6-10, 2. Jon Hendershot (Nazareth) 6-9, 3. Two tied at 6-8; Shot put - 1. Andrew Sandt (Whitehall) 46-3 3/4, 2. Alex Jacob (Whitehall) 45-5, 3. Justin Kulhamer (Northampton) 43-9; Discus - 1. Braden Zeiner (Whitehall) 132-9, 2. Andy Cook (Emmaus) 129-2, 3. Chris Hanushak (Parkland) 120-11; Javelin - 1. Steffon Kellman (Dieruff) 164-11, 2 (tie). Pete Miller (Emmaus), Tyler Bauer (Northampton) 158-10; Pole vault - 1. Andrew Beers (Whitehall) 14-6, 2. Eric Hunter (Northampton) 13-6, 3. Adam Director (Whitehall) 13-0.

- (Liberty) 15.5; 300 hurdles - 1. Best (Allen) 47.1, 2. Walker (Easton) 47.9, 3. Erika Shumock (Liberty) 48.4; 400 relay - 1. Whitehall (Gregory, Smith, Hamscher, Patterson) 49.5, 2. Allen (Warren, Best, Newman, Robinson) 50.5, 3. Liberty (Chambers, Robinson, Scott, Gonzalez) 51.9; 1600 relay - 1. Easton (Graham, Farrar, Brown, Walker) 4:09.3, 2. Bethlehem Catholic (Balogh, Cardillo, Aaroe, Maroney) 4:12.6, 3. Liberty (Noack, Gonzalez, McChristian, Shumock) 4:15.0; 3200 relay - 1. Liberty (Horn, Tomlin, Reynolds, Darlington) 10:15.0, 2. Easton (Graham, Grays, Coffield, Brown) 10:24.4, 3. Northampton (J. Berry, Rush, Buschi, C. Perry) 10:31.6; Long jump - 1. Best (Allen) 17-10, 2. Brooke Hamscher (Whitehall) 17-7 3/4, 3. Alyssa Cardillo (Bethlehem Catholic) 17-3; Triple jump - 1. Hamscher (Whitehall) 34-1 1/4, 2. Kelly Robertson (Parkland) 34-1, 3. Jasmyn Butryn (Liberty) 33-10; High jump - 1 (tie). Lindsey Stitzer (Nazareth), Kayla Howland (Liberty) 5-2, 3. Three tied at 5-0; Shot put - 1. Marisa Repasch (Liberty) 37-1, 2. Erinne Schmalzer (Whitehall) 36-3, 3. Monica Hagenauer (Parkland) 35-11; Discus - 1. Courtney Sniscak (Parkland) 110-1, 2. Repasch (Liberty) 106-9, 2. Schmalzer (Whitehall) 94-4 1/2; Javelin - 1. Kiki Villalobos (Emmaus) 110-2, 2. Morgan (Nazareth) 108-4, 3. Alyssa Tomcho (Parkland) 103-6; Pole vault - 1. Hamscher (Whitehall) 11-6, 2 (tie). Maria Yezzo (Northampton), Adriana Bozick (Northampton) 9-6.

Singles

Continued from page A13 with how the season is going for him.

In other local singles action, Freedom's Soham Sengputa (9th seed) beat Northampton's Geoff Rybitsky (8th seed) 8-3 at number-one before falling to top-seed and eventual champ Akshay Damany of Emmaus. Becahi's

Stephen Rossi (11th seed) won his opening round game vs. Dieruff's Raidy Alvarez (6th seed) 8-6 before falling to third-seed Nyeni Micah of Allen, who finished second.

Becahi's Chris Blaszk, the 12-seed, lost his opening round match 8-2 to Easton's Kelly Anyan, the fifth seed, in number-two singles action.

At number-three singles, David Krauss (8th

seed) of Liberty beat Frank Shi (9th seed) of Becahi 8-7 (tiebreaker) before falling to top-seed Richard Lichtenwalner of Parkland, who went on to take first. Freedom's Timur Ozekcin, the 12-seed, upset first-round opponent Nick Wilder of Easton, who was seeded fifth, 8-4. Ozekcin fell to Nazareth's Tyler Shephard, the four-seed, 8-7 (tiebreaker). Shephard finished fourth.

Doubles

Continued from page A13 lation match got underway, wind became a factor.

Freedom coach Mike Evans said, "They have to know when to be aggressive and when to be conservative. There's a happy medium. The wind can be your best friend or your worst enemy."

For Klacik and Bogardo, their similar styles proved to be a winning combination.

"We mesh together really well, we communicate really well, and our games fit each other. We both have the same style," said Klacik. Becahi's Gian Turco and

Justin Su fell to Lingwal and Kreglow in the opening round.

At number-three doubles, fourth-seed Kyle Manley and Sean Ankrom of Liberty fell to 12th seeded Frank Sysko and Jack Portnoy of Nazareth 8-6. That Nazareth duo also upset the fifth seeded Geoff Hart and Shane Sternberg of Freedom 8-6. Becahi's Dante Villagomez and Jeff Stefanick (11th seed) lost to Emmaus' Sourab Narayana and Raj Dalsania, the sixth seeds who went on to finish third, 8-4.

At number-four doubles, Liberty's John Libiak and John Burlew (10th seeds) upended seventh-seeded

Ryan Kocher and Andrew Bourizk of Whitehall 8-0 before falling to Emmaus' Steve Reyes and Karthik Natarij, who would finish second, 8-1. Becahi's Kevin Hamilton and Andrew Hoppe won their opening match as 11th seeds, upsetting sixth seeded Cody Chappovich and Kevin Aoevedo of Dieruff 8-5. The Becahi duo lost to eventual third place winners Mike Lichtenwalner and Vinod Jeyaretnam of Nazareth.

Freedom's Rob Campbell and Theo Kourpas lost to 12th seed Hayden Hyrowich and Mitchell Drabenstott 8-7 (tiebreaker). That duo went on to finish fourth.

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ty College in Bethlehem. • 8 a.m. On-site registration and check-in • 9 a.m. run • 9:05 a.m. walk Pre-registration: \$15

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D11 BASEBALL RANKINGS

(Through Sunday, April 25 games)

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Vball

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Parkland last week and paid attention to the details.

"That's what we need to focus on to get back on track."

Freedom (7-2) bounced back from their early week loss to Becahi last week by posting a sweep over Northampton last Tuesday

But Thursday's loss to Parkland in four games (25-22, 21-25, 23-25, 14-25) kept the

Pates in the middle of the pack in the LVC.

Freedom took on Whitehall (9-1) yesterday and face Dieruff (3-7) tomorrow, along with a Friday tilt against Wyoming Valley West.

Liberty (4-6) defeated Dieruff 14-25, 25-19, 29-27, 25-23 last Thursday in their only LVC bout of the week.

Emmaus and Nazareth are on the slate for the Hurricanes this week, as they look to push themselves back into the .500 mix.

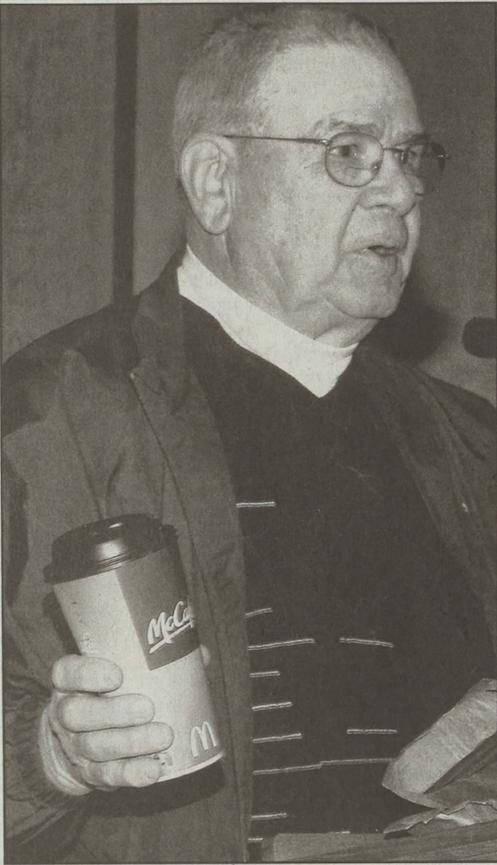
BSC TRYOUTS

The Bethlehem Soccer Club will hold its annual tryouts on:

Friday, April 30, at 6p.m. Sunday, May 2, at 6 p.m.

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April 28 to May 4
Martin TowerCity council considers
driving/cell phone use

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"Drinking coffee while driving is dangerous," says Chuck Nyul, while addressing City Council. Nyul pulls a McDonald's coffee cup out of a brown paper bag to make his point about not needing a ban on cell phone use by drivers in the city.

By DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The draft ordinance prohibiting drivers from using cell phones while their car is moving was referred to committee at the April 20 meeting of the Bethlehem City Council. The ordinance is sponsored by freshman councilman Eric Evans, who is member of the Public Safety Committee.

The ordinance will be reviewed and changes may be incorporated before it comes back to council for a vote.

Violation of the ordinance, if passed as currently drafted, will call for a fine of at least \$50 and not to exceed \$100.

According to the draft, studies show that mobile phone usage while driving significantly increases the likelihood of a crash.

It also claims that texting, web browsing and other mobile phone technologies pose an additional danger to drivers.

The ordinance does not prohibit hands-free calling while driving.

"Banning [cell phones] doesn't decrease crashes," said resident Dave Dilusio. Dilusio recommended that if police enforce the current law against careless driving it

would be sufficient. He said that the city cannot pass a law modifying state law; that it will be an illegal law. "People will feel harassed if a cell phone ban is enforced."

Resident Chuck Nyul, while addressing council, pulled a McDonald's coffee cup out of brown paper bag to make his point about not needing a ban on cell phone use by drivers in the city. "Drinking coffee while driving is dangerous," he said. "So is smoking and wearing flip-flops."

It's not just motor vehicle drivers that are targeted, but the ordinance includes hand-held cell phones or texting while skateboarding, skating, bicycling or driving a scooter.

Some exceptions allow cell phone use to include calling 911 or using the phone while pulled out of traffic with the car out of gear.

Not all city councilmen are enthusiastic about the ordinance. While Gordon Mowrer said he is for it, David DiGiacinto is dubious that it will withstand a legal challenge.

The proposed ban comes weeks after neighboring Allentown passed a similar ordinance.

Commissioners review
medical training site plan

By MALLORY VOUGH
Special to the Bethlehem Press

A conditional use application for a post secondary school for medical and surgical training was first on the agenda during the April 5 Hanover Township Planning Commission meeting.

The school would move to an existing two-story building, which is connected to a one-story building where Bitronics Inc. is located at 261 Brodhead Road.

The Venel Institute would be housed on the lower level and occupy approximately 11,000 square feet. The second story of the building is not currently occupied, according to Peter Lehr of Tallman, Hudders & Sorrentino.

Greg Adams, a managing partner at the Venel Institute, described the school as a premiere, state-of-the-art facility.

"There will be a 50-seat lecture hall with two training rooms on either side," Adams told commission members. "There will also be conference rooms, a dining area and men's and women's locker rooms."

All food will be catered in the dining area, according to Adams, and no food will be made or sold on the premises.

According to Adams, the facility can operate Monday through Sunday, but will only be utilized on an as-needed basis.

"There will be no more than four employees at one time and approximately 15 to 35 attendees per day," Adams said. "There can be no more than 50 people at one time, but we can have a couple

small groups at one time in different areas of the facility."

Commissioner Kenneth Vail questioned the men about the specimens that could be used during a presentation.

Stephen Brigido, who is board certified in both foot surgery and rear foot and ankle surgery, told Vail the anatomic specimens are preserved specially for surgical training.

"These specimens are bloodless and fluidless," Brigido added. "A certified company will provide the specimens and will take care of the transportation of the specimens."

Because there is no blood or fluid involved, biohazards will not become an issue, according to Brigido.

"All disposable items such as scalpels that are used will be disposed of by a biohazard company who we already have a contract with," Brigido said.

Industrial cleaners will be used and are not hazardous.

Adams added that everything that goes through the institute must be FDA approved.

The commission unanimously recommended the Board of Supervisors approve the conditional use application under the condition minor changes are made to the plan.

In other business, representatives from Faulkner Subaru submitted a sketch plan and asked for a special exception for a proposed auto body shop at 310 Stoke Park Road.

According to Ryan Anderson, who works for the dealership, Faulkner Subaru is looking to expand its current facility located at 298 Stoke Park Road.

"We're basically out of space," Anderson said. "We're currently leasing space, but wish to end that lease."

Vice Chairman Joseph Hilton was concerned about the possibility of noise and odor complaints from the businesses also located at the proposed location.

According to Anderson, the other companies in the complex, which include Dave's Deli and Azure Blue Water Co., approve of the move because of the added traffic that would be coming to the building.

"They've been informally notified of the plan," Anderson added.

Mike Koss, regulatory affairs manager at PPG Industries, added that the auto body shop would meet all ventilation, electrical and lighting requirements.

The plan will need to go before the Zoning Hearing Board because of a special exception request regarding parking.

The Planning Commission also recommended approval for a conditional use application for a 13,500-square-foot research laboratory that St. Luke's Hospital & Health Network, 77 S. Commerce Way, wishes to construct at its Fountain Hill site.

The approval comes with the conditions that Material Safety Data

HANOVER TWP.

Sheets and detailed information about flammable materials in the laboratory are submitted to the fire marshal and to Hanover Engineering. Minor corrections to the plan must also be completed.

The next Planning Commission meeting is set for May 3 at 7:30 p.m.

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VIA

Clothing drive to be held May 1

Via's Clothing Drive will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. May 1 at the Westgate Mall parking lot, Schoenersville Road. The collected clothing will be resold at VIA stores. Proceeds benefit the VIA programs.

Via has been serving the community for 56 years. Via's mission is to provide support and opportunities for children and adults with disabilities so they can live full, independent and productive lives.

For more information, visit www.ViaNet.org.

YWCA

Anti-racism race set for May 1

The YWCA of Bethlehem will host the fourth annual Race Against Racism 5K walk/run at 9:15 a.m. May 1. The run begins at 3893 Adler Place, building B. There is a cost. To register, call 610-867-4669 or sign up online at www.active.com, or sign up the day of the race between 8 and 9 a.m. at the Adler Place address. Online registration closes April 29.

Free T-shirts are guaranteed to the first 150 registrants and prizes will be awarded to the top male and female runners in all age categories, including medals for the top three male and female runners overall.

Proceeds benefit the YWCA of Bethlehem's racial justice programs, which include study circles, reading circles and the new racial justice education program.

Air Products and Chemicals and Hovortech International are the primary sponsors for this year's event.

PRIMARY

Candidate night set for May 4

The League of Women Voters of Northampton County is sponsoring a candidates forum featuring contested races in the May 18 primary.

The forum, at 7 p.m. May 4, at the Wind Gap Fire Co., 111 Broadway, will feature Democrats Charles Dertinger and Frank Scagliotta, and Republicans Joe Emrick and Donald Albanese, who are running for state representative in the 137th district, and Republican Marcia Hahn and Democrat Cory Miller, who are running in the special election for state representative in the 138th district, to fill the seat formerly held by Craig Dally until November. Nick Sabatine, a Republican who is running against Marcia Hahn in the primary will also participate.

The 137th District is currently represented by Richard Grucela, who is not running for re-election. It includes the boroughs of Bangor, East Bangor, Nazareth, Portland, Roseto, Stockertown and Tatamy, and the townships of Forks, Lower Mount Bethel, Palmer, Upper Mount Bethel, Upper Nazareth and Washington.

The 138th District was represented by Dally, who was elected judge this past November. It includes the boroughs of Bath, Chapman, Pen Argyl and Wind Gap and the townships of Bethlehem (Wards 1 and 4), Bushkill, East Allen, Hanover, Lower Nazareth, Moore and Plainfield.

Miller withdrew from the 138th primary ballot. Hahn appears on the ballot for both the special election and the 138th District primary.

There will be an opportunity for questions from the audience.

For information, call 610-252-1339, or visit www.lvwl.org.



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The Junior League of the Lehigh Valley's American Girl Fashion Show was held at Lehigh University's Iacocca Hall March 6 and 7. **ABOVE:** Abby Wheeler, daughter of Jill and Bob Wheeler of Bethlehem, models with American Girl Bitty Baby in last year's show.

Junior League fashion show draws an audience

By PAT KESLING
Special to the Bethlehem Press

More than 1,000 girls and their families attended the four American Girl Fashion Shows presented by the Junior League of the Lehigh Valley (JLLV) at Lehigh University's Iacocca Hall March 6 and 7, guaranteeing another event in March 2011. More than \$20,000 was raised to support community projects.

American Girl is a collection of 18" dolls representing girls from 1765 to 2010. The dolls come with books telling unique stories of courage, loyalty, compassion and leadership. Each doll has many outfits and numerous ones were modeled by more than 190

models over the four days.

Lehigh Valley girls, mostly under 10 years of age who had auditioned for the modeling roles, strolled the runway with their dolls wearing matching clothes. Bethlehem girls included Emma Hale, Rebecca Docteroff, Jessica Fantasia and Emily Wasson.

American Girl provides the outfits and does fashion shows all over the United States, helping nonprofits earn money to promote girls.

JLLV sponsored the event for the past six years. JLLV has long been based in the Lehigh Valley and is a group of women committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women and

improving the community through strengthening families. Fashion show committee chairwoman was Kara Radcliff, Jamie Wilson was co-chairwoman, Rebecca Dyke was model chairwoman and Lynn Hieger did the publicity.

Iacocca Hall, with its view of the Lehigh Valley, was the perfect spot for the shows. Red Robin Gourmet Burgers Inc. was the title sponsor and has committed to 2011 sponsorship. The dining room was decorated in pink. Cupcakes with pink frosting and strawberry filling were provided by Red Robin. Decorations and music and a large T-shaped runway created the setting for the event.

Corrections officers have new contract

By CAROL SMITH
csmith@tonline.com

While Northampton County Council does not get involved with negotiating labor contracts, it does have the power to approve collective bargaining agreements.

So, after some discussion, failed motions to table or amend the contract-approval resolution and a five-minute meeting between the county's solicitor and council's solicitor, council unanimously approved at its April 22 meeting the 2010-12 contract between the county and its corrections officers.

The members in District Council 88 and Local 2549 American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, which is made up of 200 county employees, will receive a 2.25 percent Cost of Living Adjustment retroactive to January of this year. In 2011, there will be no COLA but there will be a 5 percent increase for each of the 11 steps in the employee's career ladder. In 2012, employees receive a 2.50 percent COLA, according to county Administration Director John Conklin. All employees remain on the same step on the career ladder in the last year of the con-

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tract, which expires December 2012.

While these wage increases represent 9.75 percent in additional money to salaries, the three-year contract reaped an average cost savings to the county of 1.6 percent, added Conklin.

Health insurance contributions for these employees will be at the same level as all other union employees, Conklin said. In the past, the corrections officers were paying higher contributions for their health benefits.

Under the expired contract, salaries ranged between \$30,156 and \$49,179. In 2010, employees will receive raises of between \$700 and \$1,000. A 2010 new hire will start at \$30,835, said Conklin.

County council solicitor Philip Lauer said he was impressed that each article in the contract was signed by both parties. After meeting with Karl Longenbach, the county's solicitor, during the council meeting, Lauer told council members that the labor contract was properly reviewed by legal counsel and ready for council's approval.

Councilman John Cusick said that while he

viewed the labor agreement as a fair contract, he was concerned about the use of overtime, and he hoped that the county executive and the new director of human resources would address this cost factor.

After the council meeting, Conklin said that under the new contract the county had devised strategies for reducing overtime pay.

Cusick, a teacher by profession, said he also objected to employees retiring or resigning being paid for 300-plus unused sick days. Cusick said he would like sick-leave payouts capped at a lower number. He also questioned why county employees had 15 paid holidays while federal employees only get 10.

Councilman Lamont G. McClure Jr. also commented on the new labor contract and its being negotiated in-house rather than the more costly arbitration process that had finalized many of the other county employee labor contracts.

Council President Ron Angle said that while the contract was not perfect the negotiating team was to be complimented on a contract that dealt fairly with county employees.

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A water wheel was used in the swimming pool instead of a slide. On top of the wheel is Marie Snyder Kistler, daughter of the founders (H. Snyders) of the park. Geraldine Smith waits her turn in this 1930 picture.



A dirt swimming pool was a popular attraction. A cement pool was put in much later.



The train that once was in the park has been purchased. It is being restored and will be returned to the park.



Crowds came to Ontelaunee Park to enjoy the concerts, swimming or rides.

Volunteers give A second

If you remember in your youth, ma

By ELSA KERSCHNER
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Ontelaunee Park in New Tripoli, Lynn Township, gained new life when it was purchased by the township in 2000.

Its first life began in 1929 with Homer and Alice Snyder, who provided country music, swimming and amusement rides until 1966. In 1989 Big John Kospiah, the owner at that time, wanted to turn the 34-acre area into a trailer park, but that never came about and the park grew to weeds and some of the buildings were lost to fire.

Then Lynn Township supervisors Don Christ, Jan Schaefer and Charlie Lenhart checked into buying it. The asking price was too high.

But when Big John died, township officials appointed a committee to decide if the needs of the township should include buying the park. A survey came back, largely in favor of the purchase.

Residents observed that while there is a lot of open land in the township, it was mostly in private hands. The park, they argued, would provide a place where people could go walking or take their dogs for an outing without needing to fear they are trespassing.

The park and its land were appraised and finally purchased by the township.

The first job was a massive clean-up effort, with the work done by volunteers, Christ says, and that helped keep costs down.

Carl Snyder, a local historian, worked to have the oldest house in Lynn Township, Zeisloff House, moved to Ontelaunee.

Springs had provided water for a trailer park owned by Kospiah. A stone springhouse was added to make the open springs a beautiful attraction.

Susan Christ and the Rev. Bob Macamer designed the new gateway. The pillars and the cleanup made the park look alive again to people passing on Route 143.

Later, flowers were planted beside the pillars. Eric Lundberg of Blue Mountain Nursery not only



The Zeisloff House is the oldest house in the park. In the background, the Zeisloff House was about a mile away.

donated flowers but also led a work crew in to help with the cleanup.

An eternal flame monument shows memories of the park's past on the back side and the future on the front.

A walkway and a half-circle gazebo were added. Allentown West Rotary Club planted low-growing red and white annuals around the spring.

Flagpoles were also part of the project.

The Gateway Gazebo was dedicated to the past and the future of Lynn Township in October's Pioneer Barbecue according to Christ. The Rotary Club project for Rotary was to build the bandstand and the Pioneer Barbecue to play at its dedication.

After the township was established, there was talk of repairing the old pavilion, but it would be too costly. People began to repair it for safety purposes.



The eternal flame is framed by new pillars at the entrance of the park.

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Second life

ember visiting Ontelaunee Park
n, maybe it's time for another visit



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A new pavilion was built with a
kitchen and flush toilets. Picnic
tables were purchased by area resi-
dents in memory of or to honor
someone.

Years ago, passenger trains
stopped at a platform along Onte-
launee Creek to let people off and
pick them up later in the day. The
bridge they used to cross the creek
is now the Tony Oswald Covered
Bridge. To restore it, Oswald
brought girders from a building
that had collapsed where he
worked. Now the bridge leads to a
rail-trail rather than to a train stop.

Local Boy Scouts added other
trails as their Eagle Scout projects.
One scout planted a butterfly gar-
den, again with plant donations
from Lundberg.

Fish habitat improvements were
made as another Eagle project.
Ontelaunee Creek is stocked and
people line the creek on opening
day.

Girl Scouts planted flowers near
the old pavilion. More flowers were
planted near Oswald Bridge. People
could buy a flower for Mother's Day
and plant it in the park.

Students from Lehigh Career and
Technical Institute provided earth-
moving assistance as well as any-
thing else that fit in with their
classes.

Carl Snyder had an idea. He
wanted a Pioneer Village to accom-
pany the Zeisloff House at the park.
With the help of Willard Snyder
and the Lynn-Heidelberg Historical
Society, a re-creation of Fort
Everett from the French and Indian
War was built. Greg Serfass, who
does post-and-beam construction,
helped with the fort. A stockade
surrounds the fort and a well was
built.

The park is the site of numerous
activities throughout the year.

An old-fashioned Christmas
offers a bonfire and carol sing in
the stockade and hot cider in both
the Zeisloff and fort fireplaces,
along with cookies to snack on or to
buy and take home.

Pioneer Day is held in October
with crafts, animals, music and, of
course, food.

The past two years there has
been a Native American pow-wow
held in the park with a special chil-
dren's education day on May 14 and
public days on May 15-16, 10 a.m.

A Canine Relay for Life has also
been held the past two years.

A farmer's and flea market are
held there many Tuesdays.

The park also offers a soccer field
and a playground for younger chil-
dren. Ontelaunee is a popular site
for reunions, picnics and even wed-
dings.

Tennis and basketball courts are
planned, but the tennis court has
been put off indefinitely.

A fountain behind the old pavil-
ion is scheduled as an Eagle project.

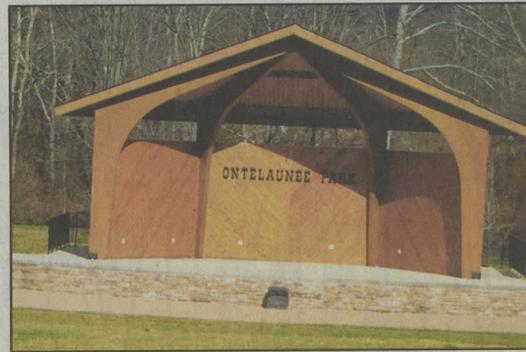
While much has been added to
the park, Carl Snyder worked on
bringing something back from the
past. When it came up for sale at an
auction, Carl bought the train that
had run in the park. Currently the
train's engine and cars are in
Willard Snyder's barn being
repaired.

The track the train ran on years
ago is planned for this summer's
installation.

Soon, the train will run again.



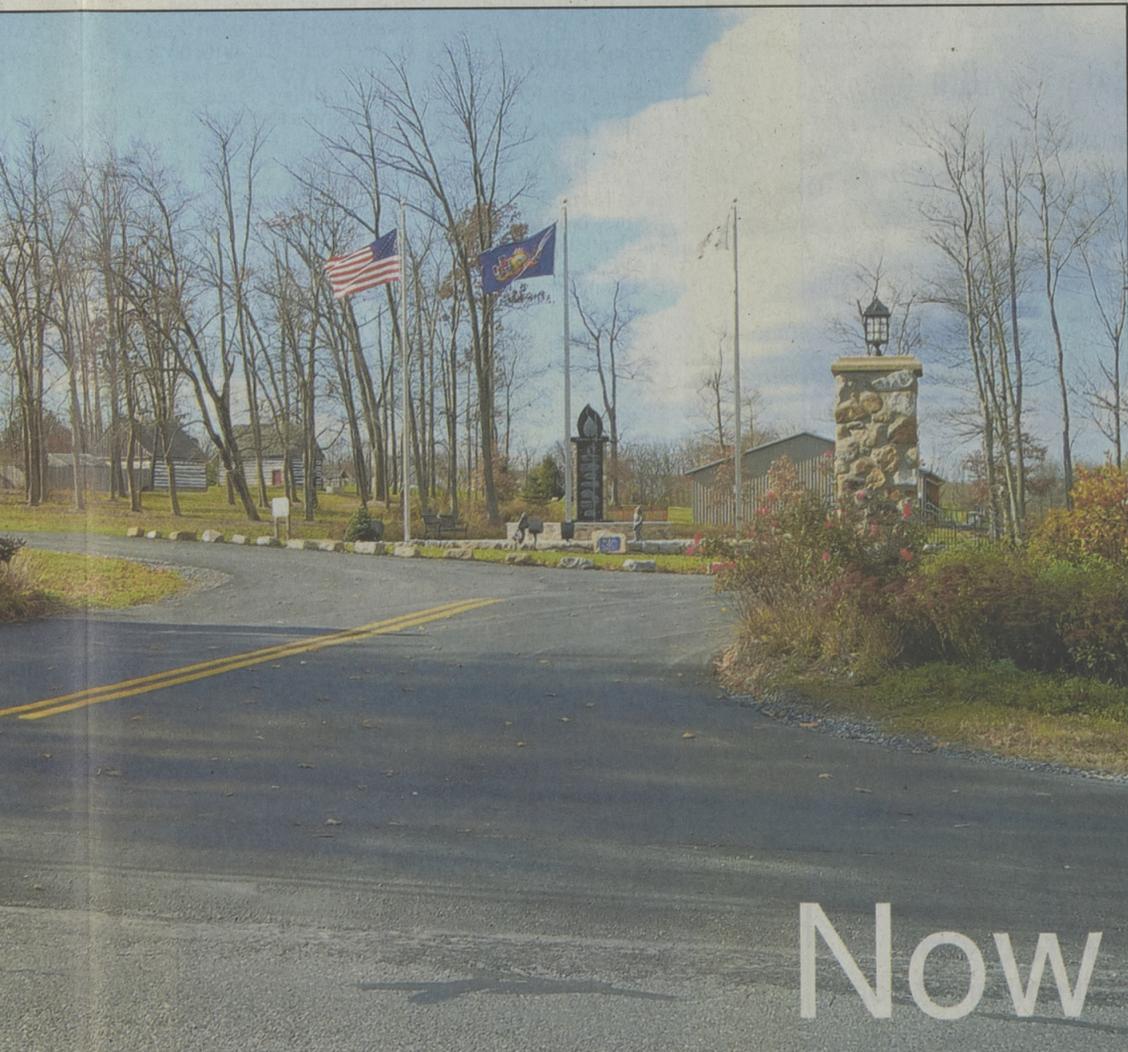
Donald Christ, the first park director, stands at the reverse side of an eternal flame, which shows scenes of local memories. It is in the Gateway area.



The bandstand was built by the Allentown West Rotary. Not far away is the Tony Oswald Bridge at a site where trains once stopped to drop passengers off or pick them up on the opposite side of Ontelaunee Creek.

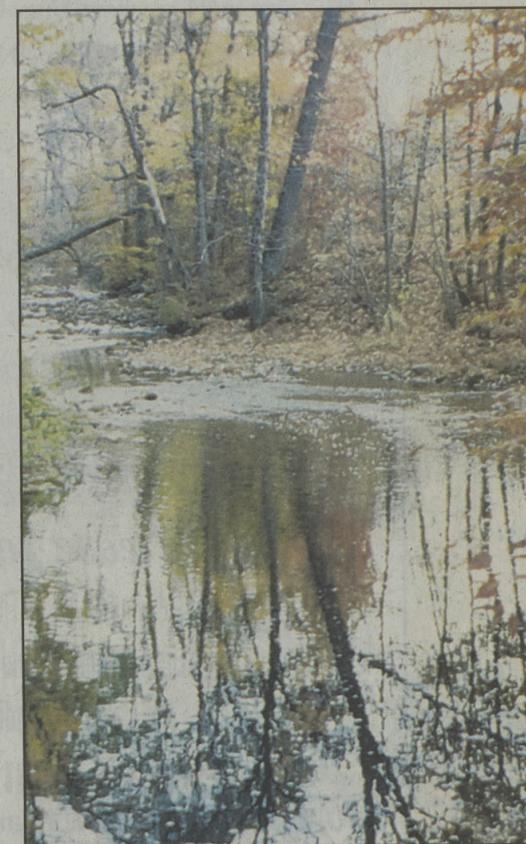


The old pavilion was considered unnecessary and tearing it down was discussed. It has been found that it comes into use regularly.



Now

at the entrance to Ontelaunee. The Rotary Club planted the roses for the Gateway Garden and donated the flag



"You go to the bridge and just let your mind go," says Don Christ, former park director, of this view of Ontelaunee Creek at Ontelaunee Park.

ST. PETER'S Organ recital to be held May 2

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church will host an organ recital by St. Peter's organist Marisa Deshler at 3 p.m. May 2. The recital will be held in the sanctuary, 474 Vine St. A reception will follow the recital.

The organ will be in the center of the nave so that the audience may observe the organist. The 1964 Moeller pipe organ was refurbished in 1999 by Benton Organ Compa-

ny and Walker Technical Company.

Deshler, a fifth-grade teacher at Farmersville ES, has served as organist at St. Peter's for 10 years.

For more information, visit www.stpetersbethlehem.org or call 610-867-0519.

HANOVER Sousa concert to be held May 2

A free John Phillip Sousa Concert will be held at 2 p.m. May 2 at the Hanover Township Community Center, 3630 Jack-

sonville Road. The music will be performed by the Easton Municipal Band under the direction of Keith Wagner and the Liberty Alumni Band under the direction of Ronald Sherry.

Refreshments will be served before the show. Call 610-866-1140 for information.

ACS Relay for Life set for May 2

The Relay for Life 5K Walk/Run to benefit the Relay for Life Teen Com-

mittee will be held at 10 a.m. May 2 at Freedom HS. All profits go to the American Cancer Society. Registration is available the day of the event, and there is a fee.

To register in advance, contact Lindsey Anderson at 908-770-9838 or e-mail lindseyanderson2010@gmail.com.

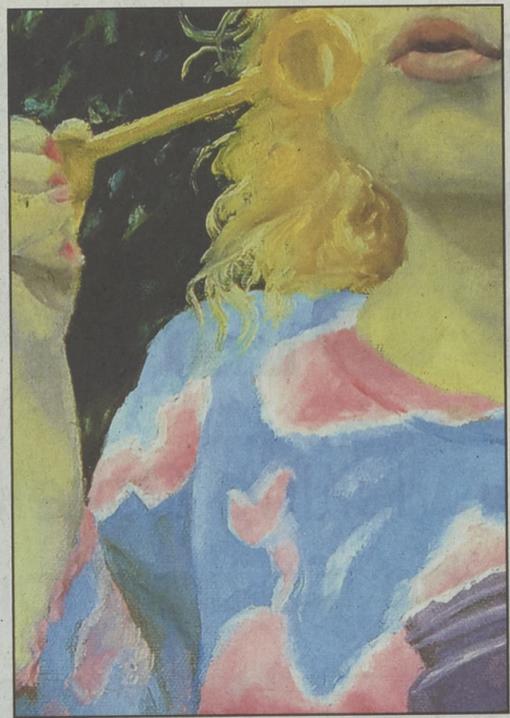
BACH LUNCH St. Peter's set for May 8, 15

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 474 Vine St., will host lunches during the Bach Festival from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on May 8 and 15. The cafeteria-style meals, featuring homemade pies for desserts, are open to the public. There is a cost. There will be handcrafted boutique items for sale. Call 610-867-0519 for information.

ALEX'S LEMONADE Carnival set for May 22, 23

The fourth annual Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation for Childhood Cancer will be held 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. May 22 and 23 at the Bethlehem Rose Garden, Eighth Avenue and Union Boulevard. There will be raffles, live music, character meet-and-greets, games and activities and food for sale. The Fun Bus and Stubby the Helicopter will be on site.

For information, call 610-419-0112.



LVPA visual arts students shine at Hard Bean Café

The Hard Bean Café, Bethlehem's Southside alternative coffee shop, will kick off a month-long show from April 30 to May 28 featuring two floors of original work from Lehigh Valley Performing Arts Academy's 15 graduating visual arts seniors. The show, free to the public, will begin with a reception April 30 at 7:30 p.m. featuring a live jazz band and large scale paintings on stretched canvas. Some of the art shown will be for sale and some already has been sold. **ABOVE:** "Lorilei's Bubbles" by LVPA senior Lauren Beauchner of Emmaus.

SOUTHSIDE First Friday set for May 7

South Side Bethlehem's First Friday, which will be held May 7 from 6 to 10 p.m., will feature Cinco De Mayo shopping specials, exhibition openings and live music. The events take place between Third and Fourth and S. New streets. The Banana Factory is hosting a reception for "The Magic Stones of Texture" from 6 to 9 p.m. Cleo's Silver-smith Studio & Gallery has musical entertainment "The Colorsound" and a "pick-your-own discount" special. The band "On Fire" is performing at the Comfort Suites. There is a reception for the South Bethlehem Photography contest at Fox Optical. There will be dancing from 7 to 9 p.m. at Northampton Community College's Fowler Family Southside Center.

Call 610-841-5831 for information.

BORINQUEENERS Banquet to be held May 8

The Borinqueneers 65th Motorcycle Club, Pennsylvania Chapter, will hold the second annual Medal of Honor Memorial Monument banquet at

4 p.m. May 8 at the Comfort Suites, 120 W. Third St.

The Pennsylvania local premier of the film, "The Borinqueneers," with filmmaker Noemi Figueroa Soulet will be the highlight of the fundraiser. The proceeds benefit the memorial monument restoration. The fiberglass and wood structure was erected in 1977 to honor the five Puerto Rican Medal of Honor awardees. The restoration project will cost about \$60,000.

To make a donation, for reservations for the banquet or for more information, call 610-868-7800 or visit <http://prmedalofhonor.webs.com>.

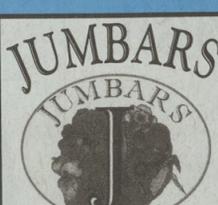
L.V. MISSIONS Mystery guest set for May 8

There will be a mystery guest tea party at 3 p.m. May 8 at the Bethlehem First Church of the Nazarene, 1500 Linden St. A love offering will be taken. Bring some pastries or finger snacks to share, preferably in a disposable container. Coffee, tea, lemonade and iced tea will be provided.

For reservations or information, e-mail heffedebe@yahoo.com or call 610-867-5232 and leave a message.



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BOUTIQUE

Drop offs can begin May 5

Donation drop off for the 36th annual "Boutique at the Rink, a sale of gently used clothing and household items, will be May 5 to 25, at the Bethlehem Municipal Ice Rink, Illick's Mill Road, Bethlehem. Donations will be accepted Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Wednesdays from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Accepted will be vintage and fine clothing; men's, ladies' and children's clothing, accessories and shoes, lingerie jewelry, toys, linens and housewares. Not accepted are furniture, computers, luggage, electronics or books.

The sale will be from June 2 to June 5. All proceeds will be donated to St. Luke's Cancer Center, The Wellness Community of the Greater Lehigh Valley and St. Luke's Hospice.

For information or to volunteer, call Jen Gibbs at The Wellness Community at 610-861-7555.

HELLER

Young Artist event opens May 1

The Saucon Valley School District and the Saucon Valley Conservancy present the third annual Young Artists' Exhibit at the Heller Homestead Art Gallery, 1890 - 92 Friedensville Road (Water Street) in Lower Saucon Township.

Saucon Valley HS students will exhibit their work from May 1 through May 30. A "Meet the Young Artists' Reception" will be held May 1 from 10 a.m. to noon. The exhibit is under the direction of Sandra Eckert and Brenda Stever.

The Art Gallery is free and open to the public on Saturdays and Sundays from 1 to 4 p.m. and on Sundays from noon to 3 p.m. May to November.

For more information, call 610-216-0566 or visit www.sauconvalleyconservancy.com or e-mail SVConservancy@aol.com.

'Magic Knight' a magic night

Bethlehem Catholic HS hosted its eighth annual auction March 27 in the school gymnasium. "Our Magic Knight, A Merry Auction Evening" included a social hour, silent and live auctions and a medieval buffet dinner which consisted of roasted root vegetables, green beans almandine, tomato provencal, lasagna primavera, honey mustard pork with rosemary. Last year's auction, "Wild Safari Nights," raised \$45,000 for educational technology and athletic facilities at the school. One-half of the classrooms in the north wing are now "Smart" and the balance will be renovated next summer. This year's auction goal was \$60,000 which would be used to support science lab renovations and athletic facility upgrades. Cast members from Bethlehem Catholic spring musical, "Camelot," under the direction of Alice Freeh, performed prior to the live auction.



PRESS PHOTOS BY RUTH GRADY

Luis Perez is dubbed a knight by King Mike Snyder.



Amanda Stone roams around the gym as a peasant selling flowers.



Marta Boraganla and Lizzie Zurek greet guests as they arrived in the lobby.



Jeanna Boures is pleased with her selection of her bid.



Herald Kevin Silvoy prepares for the announcement of king and queen of the evening.



King Mike Snyder and Queen Rayann Vasko



Molly Brewer walks among the guests selling chances to win a prize in The Magic Knight cash raffle. Ceil Oravec was the lucky winner of the grand prize in the raffle.

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Michael and MaryEllen Amey enjoy the "Magic Knight" evening.

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In doubt? Add bacon



Dan Kline
Guest
columnist

In a move that suggests that Homer Simpson has taken over for Colonel Sanders, Kentucky Fried Chicken has introduced a sandwich that uses fried chicken instead of bread and bacon instead of chicken. Add a liberal helping of special sauce and a couple of slices of cheese and you have something that pretty much

shows that the Colonel's gang has given up on their attempt to become known as simply "KFC" so people wouldn't associate the brand with only fried food.

KFC does not even make a tiny nod to health by including lettuce and tomato, it's just fried chicken, bacon, cheese and sauce. I suppose I should not be surprised as these are the people who combined fried chicken, cheese, gravy and mashed potatoes in one bowl — presumably for people too lazy to stick their fork into multiple places.

This new Kentucky Fried monstrosity, called the "Double Down," continues a disturbing trend where fast food restaurants attempt to outdo each other by adding more bacon, more

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cheese and more mysterious "special" sauces to their fare. We now live in a world where it's not only possible, but easy, to order a quadruple burger with four layers of cheese and bacon.

If we can use fried chicken patties as the bun, why not wrap everything in two slices of pizza, then dip that into the fryolator? I'm not sure you're technically eating a sandwich once you eliminate the bread, but if you are, then we're about 15 minutes away from a "sandwich" consisting of two slices of cheesecake with a layer of fried Twinkies in the middle.

If it's not Homer Simpson making these decisions, then clearly a bunch of drunk frat boys have somehow taken over the fast-food industry.

Only the drunk or stoned could possibly conceive of foods like fried macaroni and cheese, the chicken fry, the 12-layer burrito and stuffed-crust pizza.

My friend Jason and I, in much fatter days, used to frequent the Dunkin' Donuts near our office. Jason (who now runs triathalons) used to eat a Dunkin' Donuts sausage, egg and cheese breakfast sandwich along with two coffee rolls. Basically a bigger donut with no hole, the coffee roll is covered in a mildly disgusting, absurdly delicious, sugary goop which makes a regular glazed donut seem practically sugar free.

We used to regularly tease the staff behind the counter that they should just serve Jason's sausage, egg and cheese on the coffee rolls. We were kidding, but clearly we were not the only people thinking in this direction as Dunkin' Donuts now offers a sausage, egg and cheese served on two waffles. In addition, there are actually some baseball stadiums that serve a cheeseburger on two Krispie Kreme donuts, so our joke was not that far from the truth.

The public appears to have a boundless appetite for the absurdly unhealthy and restaurants seem perfectly willing to switch from slowly killing their customers to doing it pretty quickly. I'd like to think that there won't be a demand for the "Double Down," but in a world where we add bacon to our chili cheese fries, that seems unlikely.

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ANOTHER VIEW: STRANGE LAWS

I think I will go outside and sleep on my refrigerator



Debra Galbraith
Press
columnist

It was such a nice weekend that I decided to empty my refrigerator, roll it out my back sliding glass doors, stand it up in the backyard, grab my pillow and a blanket, grab a ladder, climb to the top of the refrigerator and sleep on top of it. Once settled, I had a fabulous view of the stars and the moon.

Did you know that it is illegal in Pennsylvania to do this?

So I didn't really do that, but I did think about it for a minute or two. But I thought my neighbors might call the police and tell them I had finally lost my mind.

Why in the world is there such a law?

For those of you who like to fish, and with all of the area bodies of water being stocked with trout, it is my responsibility to tell you of some Pennsylvania laws about fishing. Dynamite is not to be used to catch fish. You cannot catch fish with your hands. And you may not catch a fish with any body part except your mouth.

I will just leave that one alone.

In New Jersey, it is against the law for a man to knit during fishing season.

While on the subject of fishing in Pennsylvania, though you do not need a fishing license to fish on your own land, a hunting license is required to hunt on your own land.

As we approach the wedding season, ministers in Pennsylvania are forbidden from performing marriages when either the bride or the groom is drunk.

Please keep that in mind if you are about to take the plunge.

If you are going to attend a wedding in Alabama, it is illegal to wear a fake mustache that causes laughter in church.

We are also approaching many upcoming elections, one of which being a race for governor of Pennsylvania. A person is not eligible to become governor in Pennsylvania if he/she has participated in a duel. Good to know.

With the economy as it is, many families are living together — grandparents, parents and children. It is important for you to know that in Pennsylvania, it is illegal to have more than 16 women living in a house together because that constitutes a brothel. I won't go there either.

Driving has always been a pet peeve of mine. Please note two very important laws in Pennsylvania regarding driving.

Any motorist driving along a country road at night must stop every mile and send up a rocket signal, wait 10 minutes for the road to be cleared of livestock and continue. Really?

Any motorist who sights a team of horses coming toward him must pull well off the road, cover his car with a blanket or canvas that blends with the countryside and let the horses pass. I've driven on many country roads and have never seen that happen. What constitutes a team of horses?

In Alabama, it is legal to drive the wrong way down a one-way street if you have a lantern attached to the front of your automobile. However, all cars in Alabama must have windshield wipers.

In Alabama, it is illegal to have an ice

cream cone in your back pocket at any time.

I grew up in Pennsylvania and I remember as a child that all stores were closed on Sundays. We had to do all of our errands on Saturdays, and Sundays were reserved for church and family dinners with my parents and grandparents. I'm not certain when that law changed, but to this day all car dealers in Pennsylvania and New Jersey are closed on Sundays due to this law—called the blue law. It has been said that car dealer lots are visited the most when consumers know that they will not be greeted by a salesperson.

Here is a good one for me — if I lived in Morrisville, Bucks County, I would have to have a permit to wear cosmetics. Excuse me?

It is illegal to slurp your soup in New Jersey.

Two important laws in Alaska, I believe, should be adopted in Pennsylvania. In Alaska, while it is legal to shoot bears, waking a sleeping bear for the purpose of taking a photograph is prohibited.

I have sent an e-mail to all of our freelance photographers about this.

The second important law in Alaska is that it is considered an offense to push a live moose out of a moving airplane.

I don't even know how to respond to this.

In California, women may not drive in a housecoat. Thank goodness, I don't live there. Last Friday night, I picked up my son from the high school in my pajamas and robe, praying that no one I knew saw me. In California, I may have received a ticket.

Isn't it great to live in Pennsylvania?

Note: Information on dumb laws was obtained from the Web site www.dumblaws.com.

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Debbie Galbraith
editor
East Penn Press
Salisbury Press

PEOPLE SAY ... BY DANA GRUBB

"What one thing would you like to see happen to improve the quality of life in Bethlehem?"



"More restaurants! Even though I own one, I'd like to see more."
Filippo Lopresti
New York City



"I would like to see people smile. It's a beautiful area that shouldn't be taken for granted. How can you not be happy here?"
Ingrid Hansen
Easton



"The quality of life is good. It's artsy, cultural and has a lot of ethnic restaurants. Maybe longer hours on week-ends for the downtown shops."
Carol Whelan
Mahwah, N.J.



"Better signage. We got lost coming into Bethlehem to see a performance at LVPA."
Hayley Gibson
Emmaus



"Improve public transportation, in particular the bus system."
Brian Skiba
Syracuse, N.Y.



"Do more for the elderly people, like a grocery store and a drugstore downtown for the people in the Main Street high rises."
Arlene Brockel
Bethlehem

Robert Gischel

Easton HS/BAVTS

Grade: 12

Family members:

William Gischel Sr., William Gischel Jr., Rod Gischel

Favorite subject:

Math, history

Next steps: Go to college for graphic design

Career Goals: Getting a job in graphic design after college

Heroes: Doctors, my parents

Hobbies: Work out, ride bike, listen to music, read, landscape

Likes: Exercise, sports cars, study history, music, being creative

Dislikes: Fast food, hunting

Greatest accomplishment (so far): On level classes

Advice for peers: I always want to challenge myself when it comes to schoolwork or any type of



work. I put a lot of effort and try my best without help; if not, I go for help and I learn from my mistakes or struggle.

Julia Swan coordinates student profiles for the Bethlehem Press.



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The cast, in order of appearance in the show: A.J. Saraceno, Shannyn Rinker, Tyler Fernandez, Greg Schrantz, Hal Miers, Lauren Albers, Mary Piazza, Beth Dagenbach, Madeline Prentice, Kirstin Kramer, Sam Principato, Samantha Prentice, Michael Bengston, Ashley Voloshin, Marlo Collina, Stephen Prager, Kate Dagenbach, Pat Moran, Carl Shotwell, Alexandra Tracchio, Sara Rose Aquilina, Irene Kurtz, Emily O'Hare, Alex DeMartino, Jacob Casella, Jenna Voloshin, Cialea Pintande, Owen Roff and Jonathan Tabuzo.

Going 'Into the Woods'

NOTRE DAME NOTES

Saraceno is first in state debate competition

The end of the year is quickly approaching, but plenty is still in store for Notre Dame HS. As the seniors make plans for their graduation festivities, the underclassmen carefully make course selections for next year. Spring fever is in the air, and summer is definitely on everybody's mind.

In light of the season of Lent, the school held the traditional Living Stations of the Cross March 31, just in time for Easter vacation, April 1 to 5. Senior Nicholas Bartolacci portrayed Jesus, and Student Council moderator and Science Department head Cheryl Fenton acted as Mary. Several teachers read prayers aloud for each station, as a number of seniors made the emblematic journey to Calvary around the school's gymnasium.

On April 11, senior Anthony Saraceno placed first in the Speech and Debate National Right to Life Competition, an event in which he has participated for four years. On April 25, Saraceno moved on to the next round at a competition in Harrisburg, the stage that determines if he makes it to the national round. In addition, a number of students involved in the Speech and Debate team will journey to Omaha, Neb., for their more general but equally impressive national competition. On April 23, the Student Council organized a special dress down day to help ease the cost of this trip, and thankfully, a majority of the student body took part in the fundraiser.



Sarah Rose Aquilina
Press writer

The Future Business Leaders of America attended the State Leadership Conference running from April 12 to 14 in Hershey. Participants basked in the ever-present availability of chocolate, enjoyed various leadership talks and successfully engaged in their respective competitions. Moderator Leona Myles was pleased overall with her students' efforts.

April 15 marked one of the National Honor Society's two annual blood drives in the school's annex. Just as earlier in the year, this drive was held in loving memory of freshman Kimmy Gillow. Many members generously donated many breakfast items, like bagels, doughnuts and juice; others served as runners or on the setup and cleanup crews.

The Notre Dame Theatre Company was hard at work in preparation for their spring production "Into the Woods," a highly entertaining musical with a fairy tale twist. On April 22, 23 and 24, all of their practice came to fruition, and the weekend night shows were even sold out. On April 22, the cast performed for the feeder schools; during the school day April 23, they showed Act I for their toughest critics, their peers, prompting many of the students to want to come back and see the ending for themselves.

The leads as well as the more minor roles really came together to render what director Rod Gilkeson deems "the most difficult but by far the best show ND has ever put on." Sophomores Samantha Prentice as the witch and Shannyn Rinker as Cinderella in tandem with freshman Tyler Fernandez as Jack amazed the audience with their young talent.

Juniors and seniors also

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Notre Dame HS Theatre Company presented "Into The Woods," music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim,

April 22, 23 and 27 at the high school. The cast of 29, many behind-the-scenes workers and an elaborate stage transported

the audience into the magical world of fairy tales. The cast and crew, directed by Rody

Gilkeson, worked on the production for four months prior to the opening.



Rapunzel, played by Marlo Collina, lets her hair down for her Prince, played by Stephen Prager.



Samantha Prentice, portraying The Witch, frightens Gretel and Hansel played by Lauren Albers and Hal Miers.



Little Red Riding Hood and her Grandmother, played by Sam Principato and Katie Dagenbach, defeat the Wolf, played by Pat Moran, in the end.



Milky White (Greg Schrantz), Jack (Tyler Fernandez) and Jack's mother (Kirstin Kramer) clean up.

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The Stepsisters and Stepmother help Cinderella get ready for the ball. Left to right: Madeline Prentice, Shannyn Rinker, Beth Dagenbach and Mary Piazza

DAR honors local students



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

The Bethlehem Pennsylvania Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Chairwomen Ethel Woelfel, Eleanor Lavage and Phyllis Facchiano presented five Good Citizen Awards and Scholarships to Lauren Thorley, Bethlehem Catholic HS; Lauren Eltringham, Freedom HS; Megan Carolan, Liberty HS; Gavin Paul Jones, Moravian Upper Academy; and Kylee Haggerty, Northampton Area HS. Students were selected based on good standings and on essays on the topic "An American Heritage and how can we preserve it. What is our greatest challenge?" After the ceremony refreshments were served by Sally Rieg, vice regent and JoAnne Creyer, director. **Above:** (front) DAR members Eleanor Lavage, Ethel Woelfel and Phyllis Facchiano, with honored students (back) Lauren Eltringham, Kylee Haggerty, Gavin Paul Jones, Megan Carolan and Lauren Thorley.

NOTES

Continued from page A23 stepped up to the challenge, and it truly pained the seniors to leave the woods. The Saturday night show was certainly stained with bittersweet tears and hugs.

April 28 marks the choir's trip to New York City, where the singers will have lunch and see Broadway's "Jersey Boys." Upon their return, the chorus will be hard at work for its spring concert May 6 and 8. The Concert Band in tandem with the Color Guard will also perform that weekend, and all music lovers are welcome to come out and support the kids.

The ND chapter of Key Club has recently elected its officers for the coming school year and is still fundraising to purchase a

brick on the St. Jude's Children's Hospital walkway in memory of Kimmy Gillow. On May 1 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the club plans to hold a car wash in the school parking lot at a very reasonable cost.

The first two weeks in May are sure to mean one thing: AP tests. A handful of juniors and seniors hope to earn college credit by sitting for the literature and composition, U.S. history, European history, calculus, chemistry, government and

psychology exams. This is Sarah Rose Aquilina, and as always, I'm thrilled to be writing ND's column each month.

My e-mail is SRA0620@aol.com. Please feel free to send any questions, ideas, or comments regarding the school my way. I wish everyone and their families a wonderful week. Stay tuned for May's column and the array of happenings at the end of the year.

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