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BASD Budget requires 6.17% tax jump

By DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Acting Bethlehem Area School District Supt. Thomas Persing presented the nearly finalized budget to the school board at its Finance Committee meeting June 1. The \$207.2 million budget, which will be voted on June 21, includes a 6.17 percent tax increase.

The school board members remained evenly split in their support of the 6.17 percent tax increase proposed by Persing. If approved, this would raise the millage to 44.16 mills, which is an increase of 2.56 mills from last year's budget.

In comparison, Allentown School District approved a 5.3 percent increase but other, smaller districts in the region were seeing increases in the 3-to-5 percent range.

Board members struggled to find enough "straw votes" to put the budget on the agenda for the regular meeting June 21.

Only when member Judith Dexter called absent member Michelle Cann, who was sick, did the Finance Committee muster enough votes to send the 2020-11 budget to the formal school board meeting later this month.

Persing said that the board's deliberations on next year's budget would have challenges which included obligations to the Public Schools Retirement Systems whose payments are scheduled to balloon starting next year.

He said a new state governor, the uncertainty of the state budget, the proliferation of charter schools, the uncertainty of future money from the

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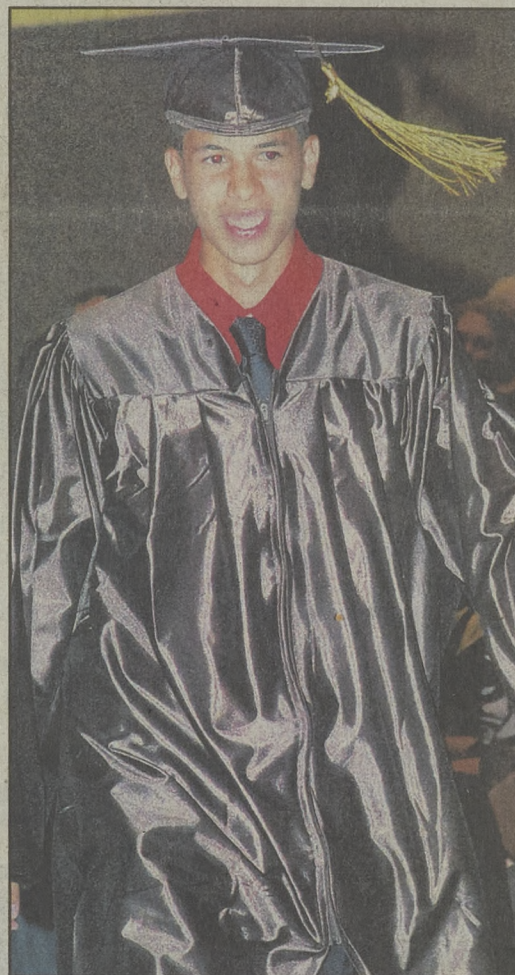
Seventy-seven members of the Moravian Academy Class of 2010 received diplomas in Central Moravian Church June 5. Class of 2010 friends pose for a graduation photo. They are: Kavita Jain-Cocks, Victoria Zhou, Lily Ma, Debbie Chi, Callie Woods and Yaas Bigdeli. See page A5

'Change is good'



PRESS PHOTO BY ESTIZER SMITH

Stephen Prager, valedictorian, and Sarah Rose Aquilina, salutatorian, enjoy the moment as they sit on stage for the June 6 Notre Dame HS 2010 commencement ceremony. See page A9



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

Senior Luis Perez was awarded the Bethlehem Catholic Spirit Award during commencement exercises for the Class of 2010 June 10. See page A6

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP

Zoners finally sign off

Treatment center's developer, county reaction on hold

By H.L. STONE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Bethlehem Township Zoning Hearing Board finally signed off on 18 conditions "approved as drafted" for a proposed prisoner treatment center on Fritch Drive during its public meeting June 8. Reactions by those attending, including developer Abraham Atiyeh, Northampton County Executive John Stoffa, Director of Corrections Robert M. Meyers, and various members of the Prison Advisory Board, were placed on hold until an in-depth analysis of the conditions can be made.

"I expect the worst here. They've been unreasonable since the start," said Atiyeh, as he waited for the board's solicitor Lawrence Fox and Zoning Officer Deborah Roseberry to hand out copies of the approved conditions. As Atiyeh began to page through the hand-out he commented, "Looks good so far...they must be saving the worst for last."

But as Atiyeh, Stoffa, and other officials read on, some areas of concern became apparent.

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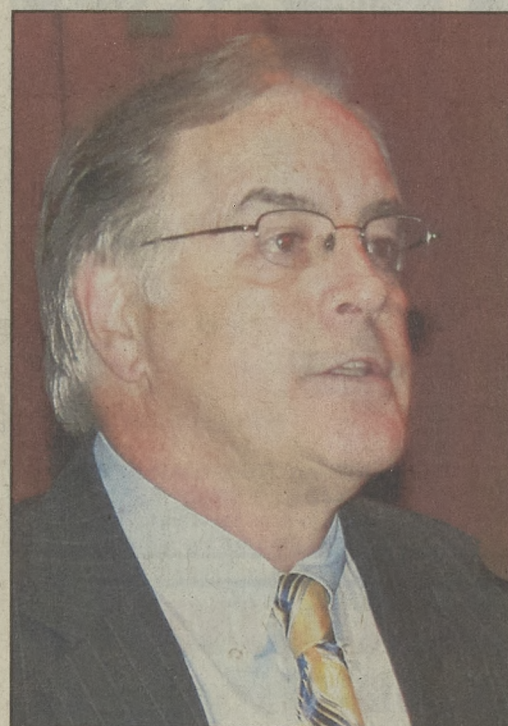
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Regarding changing Founders Way to SteelStacks Boulevard, National Museum of Industrial History President Stephen Donches asks for the preservation of everything just as the Bethlehem Steel wanted it when it closed.

BETHLEHEM

'This proposal seems a reach'

Despite opposition, name change gets committee blessing

By NATE JASTRZEMSKI
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Bethlehem Public Works Committee discussed the fate of an iconic — yet little-known — street on the Southside June 8.

Founders Way, so named in one of the final acts of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, lies behind Second Street near the Lehigh River, stretching only a couple blocks between the ice rink and the massive blast furnaces virtually no one is allowed to see up close.

Jeff Parks, president of ArtsQuest, requested changing Founders Way to SteelStacks Boulevard to reflect the area's history and the numerous projects his company is supporting there, namely the SteelStacks

Center, which is scheduled to be home for local arts and entertainment next year.

"This isn't a vanity thing," Parks told the 30 or so people in City Hall's Rotunda for the meeting. "We natives know how to find SteelStacks, but will people from Emmaus or Egypt?" He said the name change will ease travelers' ability to find the tourist destination on maps and Global Positioning Systems and is part of a brand that helps identify the city and the "campus" it will be part of.

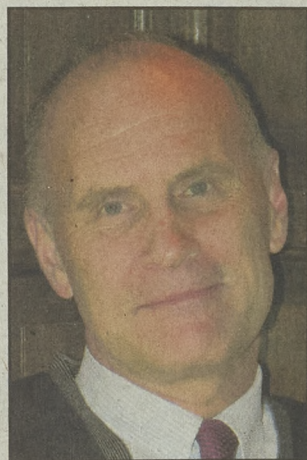
Once Parks had finished his presentation, which revolved primarily around the scope of ArtsQuest's and its partners' projects, citizens were given their opportunity to

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Malcolm Gauld

Parenting and education expert

Q&A



Letting them know you are human and offering them a sincere apology for falling off-track will give them the humility to ask for help when they need it, and it will teach them that self-learning is a lifelong process.

Q Every parent has the best intentions, but it's easy to fall into common parenting traps that won't help your kids. What are some of those traps?

A Believe it or not, one of the big traps is focusing on rules. Every family needs some rules, as they offer specific boundaries. But applying new rules every time something starts to spin out of control, like 'No, you can't eat in that room, either!' will not help your kids.

Q What do you suggest instead?

A Rather than focus on rules, place your primary focus on principles. Principles are the rock foundation that deepens your children's understanding of what it means to live a good, meaningful life. They are the values you live by, what you believe in, what you stand for. These are the things that will guide your children through life.

Q What else?

A Make truth a priority — even at the expense of harmony. Fathers who understand and practice the concept of placing truth before maintaining harmony in the family earn deep respect from their children and their parenting partners. All dads want harmony, but those that prioritize the truth over maintaining harmony raise families of strong character.

Q What about hurting feelings with the truth?

A We can all relate to not wanting to hurt someone's feelings by avoiding telling the truth to keep the peace, or wanting to please someone, but we often easily rationalize these situations away as necessary acts of kindness or diplomacy. But avoiding the truth only perpetuates the underlying issues in the family that create conflict.

Q How can a father encourage truth telling?

A Talk a lot about principles. Hold discussions with your children about which principles are most important in your family, such as honesty. Write them down; display them on a cork board or the refrigerator; and, most importantly, talk about them with your children every chance you get. When issues in the family come up (and they will come up), the principles will serve as a map and compass. There is a definite right way and wrong way to go, and messages are less likely to be misconstrued.

Q What else can a father do to encourage truth in the family?

A Model what you convey to your children. Don't lie. And, if you do catch yourself in a lie or exaggeration, don't be afraid to talk about it with your children.

Q What role must a father play?

A Remember you are a parent and mentor to your child — not a buddy or friend. It is not your job to persuade, manipulate or coax your children into doing what you believe is right. Rather, guide them with love and discipline toward their unique best. Our true test as parents is to arm our children with the tools they will need to be independent and productive members of their communities and to set the course for them to live fulfilling lives.

Q How can a father set priorities?

A We are living in a culture increasingly gripped by a 'win at any cost' mentality. As the schools focus on test scores, awards and aptitude tests, and the culture emphasizes competition, achievement and material success, so it is understandable that parents may also fall into the pattern of reinforcing mixed messages. We want our children to succeed, but not at any cost — not by cheating, bullying or actions at the expense of their character. In the end, there is a difference between winning and victory.

Q You said there are three qualities that make a great dad. What is the third?

A Value your children's ATTITUDE more than their aptitude. The real victory lies not in our abilities, but in a strong character that can guide us through life. Let your children know that their efforts and their attitudes are more important than their aptitudes. Attitude means everything. An unchecked attitude can lead to trouble for kids as they grow into adults, regardless of their intelligence or skills. The kind of attitude your child carries will be reflected in the course they take in life, and in whom they will attract, both personally and professionally. In short, nothing can help the person with the wrong attitude. Nothing can stop the person with the right one.

Malcolm Gauld is co-author with his wife Laura of the parenting book "The Biggest Job We'll Ever Have" and The Biggest Job parenting and teen seminars. He can be reached through www.GreatParenting101.com or www.Hyde.edu.

ZONERS

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"The township can't discriminate on the conditions, I think it's illegal," Atiyeh said, referring to a requirement restricting the types of offenders to be treated or housed.

Atiyeh said he feels that the zoning board does not have the authority to decide what types of prisoners the facility can handle.

"It's a judge's decision. If a judge places you there, then the judge's order stands," he said, adding that it's the state's job to hold the county accountable, not the zoning hearing board or the township.

Atiyeh maintains that informing the township's zoners about the kind of prisoners — purportedly nonviolent — that would be housed in the treatment center was an extended courtesy, but instead zoners have taken that information and rolled it into the language of the conditions, making it a hard and fast requirement.

Another cause for concern seems to be a condition requiring the reimbursement for emergency services.

"Selectively saying they want to charge us for serv-



PRESS PHOTO BY H.L. STONE

Developer Abraham Atiyeh, left, gets a first look at conditions for the proposed prisoner treatment center as Prison Advisory Board Chairman William Argeros, right, and member Daniel Hood, center, cue up for their copies of the decision.

ices that they're not charging for other places [isn't fair]," Atiyeh said.

Northampton County officials seemed concerned about the requirement for bi-weekly prisoner resident status reports from the county to the township's police department, including detailed information like names, addresses, crimes charged and employment status. Meyers said that the in-

house treatment center in Easton doesn't even do that.

Stoffa said he wasn't ready to make an official comment because he wants time for his whole team to look at it.

"I'm thankful and grateful that finally we have their conditions so that we can respond to them and determine what's acceptable and what's not," said Stoffa.

"Mr. Atiyeh is the 'party of record,' however, and any appeal or disagreement with the zoning board's decision on the conditions would be generated by him, not the county," Stoffa added.

"Until I read it and go through it I can't even comment on it," Atiyeh said.

BUDGET

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American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, or "stimulus" money, and pending collective bargaining with the teachers union will all present challenges to be addressed in the 2011-12 budget.

This year's primary focus, he said is on achieving "fiscal integrity and financial solvency."

According to Persing, the downgrading of BASD's financial ratings by Moody's and by Standard and Poore's may be compounded by BASD's "historical reliance on reserves to meet budgeted expenses." He cited the district's "four consecutive operating deficits from 2005 to 2008."

He said that the administration's 2010-11 proposed budget is realistic and conservative while addressing the financial mismanagement of the past.

According to Persing, BASD has the fourth largest funding shortfall in Pennsylvania at \$57.7 million.



PRESS PHOTO BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

Acting Supt. Thomas Persing said next year's budget's primary focus is on achieving "fiscal integrity and financial solvency."

"We were not properly funding ourselves," he said.

Persing said that the board should look at "programmatic considerations" for cuts, if needed, in its deliberations;

among those he named: technology and learning, guidance counseling, library services, physical education, technology education, foreign languages and full-time kindergarten.

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Bethlehem Township Municipal Authority meeting, 7 p.m. at Municipal Building, 4225 Easton Ave.

Fountain Hill work session, 7 p.m. at 941 Long St.

Freemansburg Parks and Recreation meeting, 7 p.m., 600 Monroe St.

Hellertown Borough Authority meeting, 7 p.m. at 685 Main St.

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Hanover Township fair, 6 to 9 p.m., Community Center grounds, 3630 Jacksonville Road. Call 610-866-1140.

PYT presents "On The Nose: Pinocchio's Life Lessons," 6:30 p.m., free, Bethlehem Area Public Library, Southside, 400 Webster St. Registration required. Call 610-867-3761, ext. 499 or visit www.bapl.org/wordpress.

Northampton County Council meeting, 6:30 p.m., Northampton County Courthouse, 669 Washington St., Easton

Hanover Township Airport Authority meeting, 7:30 p.m., 3630 Jacksonville Road

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Sunday, June 20

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Monday, June 21

First Presbyterian Church Hi Neighbors, 10 a.m., Islam with Mohammed Bugaighis; 11:15 a.m., The Mystery of Meterology with WFMZ-TV; at the church, 2344 Center St.

South Bethlehem Historic Conservation District meeting, 7 p.m., Banana Factory, 25 W. Third St.

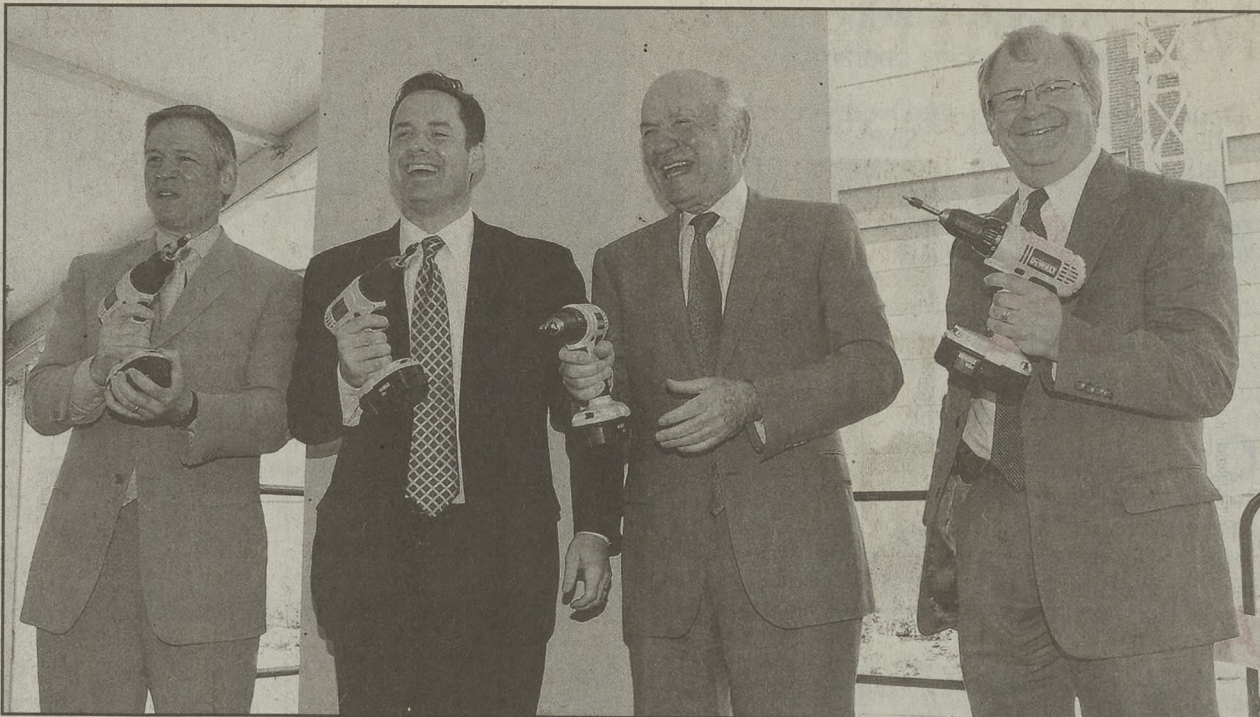
BASD School Board meeting, 7 p.m. at Freedom HS *change of venue for this date only*

South Bethlehem Historic Conservation District, 7 p.m. at Banana Factory, room 25, 25 W. Third St.

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

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

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Looking much like they stepped out of a scene from the "Magnificent Seven," Sands Casino Resort Bethlehem President Robert DeSalvio, Mayor John Callahan, Las Vegas Sands Corporation President and COO Mike Leven, and Mike Stershic, president of Discover Lehigh Valley, each brandish a cordless screw gun after a ceremonial screw tapping on the drywall panel behind them.

'Commitment to community'
Sands marks restart on hotel construction project

By DANA GRUBB
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Las Vegas Sands Corporation and Sands Casino Resort Bethlehem officials were joined by local elected representatives, supporters and other dignitaries, as they celebrated the restart of construction of the 10-floor, 300-room Sands Hotel Tower June 8.

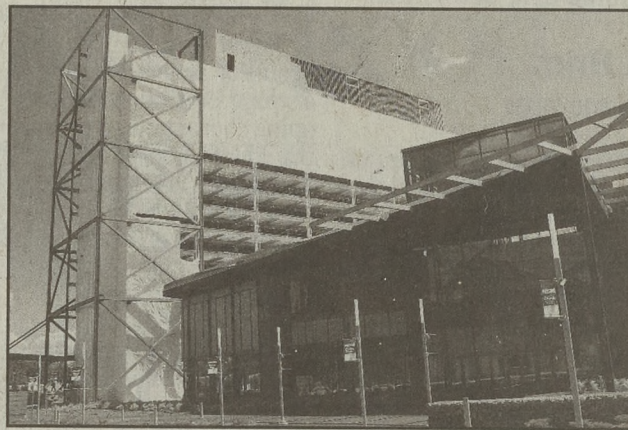
A temperate day with blue skies and puffy white clouds seemed to smile over the proceedings as construction activity continued high above, renewed just several weeks before.

"It's nice to be in a place that has happy times," said Sands Las Vegas Corporation President and COO Mike Leven, who was joined by Sands Casino Resort Bethlehem President Robert DeSalvio, Bethlehem Mayor John Callahan and Discover Lehigh Valley President Mike Stershic in making celebratory remarks.

Callahan said the hotel's restart and eventual completion would allow guests at the hotel to stay overnight and benefit "across the region." He touted the "good paying, family-sustaining jobs" that would be also be created.

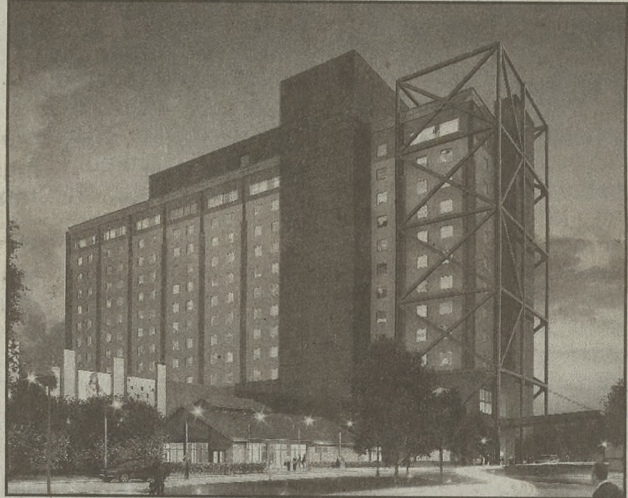
A Sands release indicated that an additional 100 jobs would be added in the hospitality area once the hotel is operational.

Stershic listed several opportunities that the hotel's completion would bring to the Bethlehem



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The encapsulated framework of the Sands Hotel will soon be removed floor by floor as work proceeds toward a May 2011 opening. The retail mall main entrance is in the lower foreground.



An artist's rendition of the Sands Casino Hotel when it is completed.

and Lehigh Valley area, foremost among them being the overnight stays in which he said statistically visitors spend three times as much as on a day trip, a significant boost for the local economy.

DeSalvio, Callahan, Leven and Stershic each grabbed a cordless screw driver and turned screws

into a dry wall panel, ceremoniously kicking off the hotel's new construction phase. Both DeSalvio and Callahan joked that they hoped that their actions wouldn't give their wives reason to hope for more of the same on the home front.

Later DeSalvio explained that the white wrapping had protected

the already constructed skeletal framework of the hotel from any deterioration due to weather, and he said the wrap would be removed floor by floor as crews worked their way through each level of the hotel.

Although there are no immediate plans to pick up work on the 40,000-square foot multipurpose convention and concert-oriented facility on the north side of the hotel, DeSalvio also admitted it would be the logical next step.

"We are working on some ideas and will have further announcements," he said.

According to a Sands data sheet, the hotel will have 5,000 square feet of flexible meeting space and be connected to the Sands Casino by way of a pedestrian walkway. It will have an E-business center and E-check-in and will contain a fitness center and an indoor pool that connects to an outdoor patio. A daily Continental breakfast will be served to guests.

Three hundred fifty new construction jobs will result from the start-up.

John Lee of Lee Architectural in Bethlehem is the hotel architect and Maggie Hampton of Noble-Hampton Inc. in Northfield, N.J., is the interior designer.

The Sands Hotel is expected to be completed for occupancy in May 2011, prompting Leven to suggest that the timing coincide with a Cinco de Mayo celebration.

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Anna C. Gawlik

sewing machine operator

Anna C. Gawlik, 89, of Bethlehem, died June 3, 2010, in Manor-Care, Bethlehem. Born in Northampton, she was a daughter of the late Stephen and Mary (Gasper) Goyer. She was the wife of the late Walter A. Gawlik.

She was a sewing machine operator at various Lehigh Valley facto-

ries before retiring.

She was a member of Incarnation of Our Lord Parish, and previously belonged to St. Stanislaus Catholic Church.

She is survived by a brother, Frank Goyer of Whitehall; a sister, Theresa A. Kutos of Bethlehem; six nieces and nephews; and 15 great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was predeceased by a brother, Stephen in 1987.

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

**Rev. William J. Parham**

former Marine

The Rev. William J. Parham, 56, of Bethlehem, died June 2, 2010 in St. Luke's Hospice.

He served in the U. S. Marine Corps.

He was employed at the Allentown Bus Terminal for many years.

He is survived by siblings, Johnny, Sissie and Ronnie; two uncles,

Wilbert of Bethlehem and William in Florida; an aunt, Terry of Georgia; cousins and nephews.

Contributions may be made to his funeral fund, c/o the funeral home, 1901 Linden St., Bethlehem, PA 18018.

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

Anna D. Hrin

Catholic Sokol member

Anna D. Hrin, 80, died May 31, 2010, at L.V. Hospital Muhlenberg. Born in Bethlehem, she was the daughter of the late Andrew and Margaret (Blonar) Hrin.

She was a sewing machine operator in the Lehigh Valley for many years.

She was a parishioner of Incarnation of Our Lord Parish.

She was also a lifelong member of and a bowler at the Catholic Sokols.

She is survived by

three sisters, Mary Harvila of Bethlehem, Helen Remenar of Hellertown and Veronica McDonald of Phillipsburg, N.J.; nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by two sisters, Margaret Hrin and Bernadine Hanni; and a brother, Stephen Hrin.

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

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Jane Anne Heine

Notre Dame parishioner

Jane Anne Heine, 57, of Bethlehem, died May 30, 2010. Born in Mineola, N.Y., she was the daughter of the late Edmund and Margaret (Schwartz) Heine.

She was a parishioner of Notre Dame of Bethlehem R.C. Church.

She is survived by two sisters, Sister Margaret Edmund, S.S.J. and Mary A. and her husband Frank Wiedl, all of Bethlehem; one niece; two nephews; and nine great-nieces and

great-nephews.

Contributions may be made to Sisters of St. Joseph, 9701 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19118-2694 and/or Bethlehem Catholic HS Students for Life, 2133 Madison Ave., Bethlehem, PA 18017 or to Notre Dame of Bethlehem R.C. Church Memorial Society, 1861 Catawqua Road, Bethlehem, PA 18018.

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Elizabeth "Betty" Provenzano

OLPH member

Elizabeth "Betty" Provenzano, 95, formerly of Bethlehem, died June 11, 2010 at Country Meadows, Bethlehem Township. Born in Redding, she was the daughter of the late Michael and Julia (Salzinger) Folajtar. She was the wife of the late John Provenzano.

She was a waitress in New York City.

She was a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Bethlehem Township.

She is survived by a nephew, Richard and his wife Dorothy Folajtar of Whitehall; and two nieces, Lorraine and her husband Frank Donchez of Easton and Diane Forscht of Dillsburg.

She was predeceased by two sisters and two brothers.

Contributions may be made to the church, 3219 Santee Road, Bethlehem, PA 18020.

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Robert James K. Butz

owned Butz Insurance agency

Robert James K. Butz, 84, of Allentown, died May 19, 2010, in the Phoebe Home. Born in Allentown, he was the son of the late Samuel D. and Kathryn Butz. He was the husband of Lucille Kathryn (Henry) Butz for 62 years.

He was a 1943 graduate of William Allen HS and a 1947 graduate of Muhlenberg College.

He served in the U.S. Army as a medic aboard the USAHS Francis Slinger during World War II.

He owned Samuel D. Butz Insurance Agency with offices in Allentown and Kutztown.

He was a member of the Redeemer Lutheran Church, Allentown.

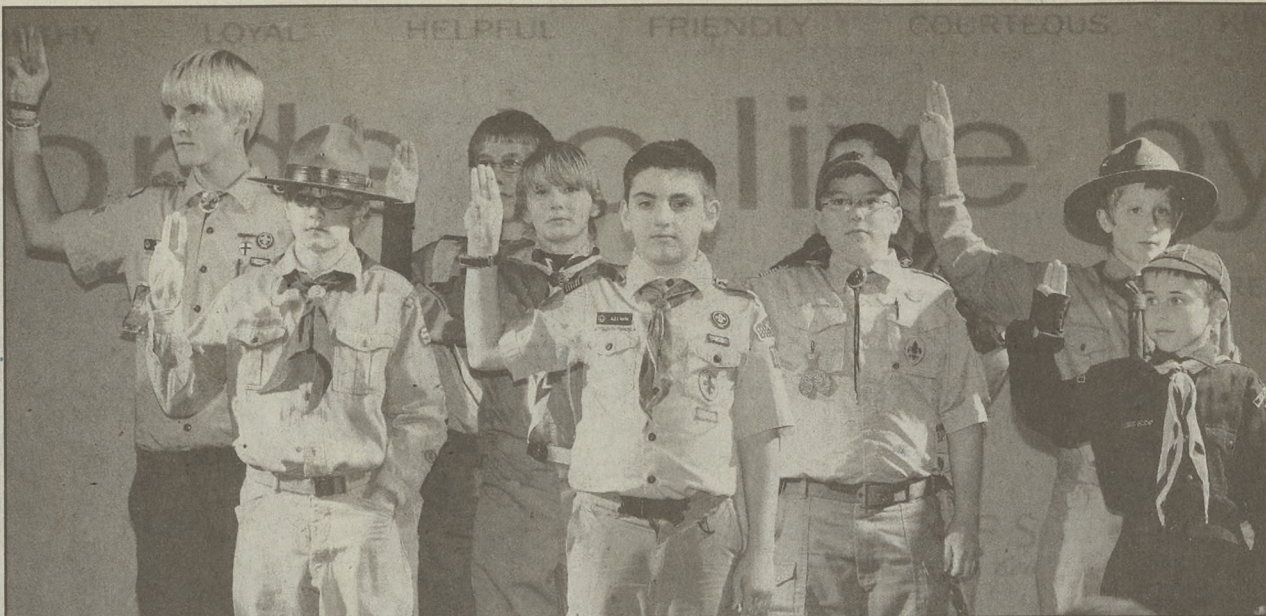
He was an Eagle Scout, Phi Kappa Tau Fraterni-

ty, past president of the Allentown Rotary Club, the Livingston Club, Lehigh Country Club and Moselem Springs Golf Club.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three daughters, Kathy Jacoby of Allentown, Margaret and her husband Jeffrey Dennis of Lansdale and Susan and her husband Robert Butz-Stavin of Fleetwood; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Contributions may be made to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, P.O. Box 780, Church St. Station, New York, N.Y. 10008-0780 or visit www.michaeljfox.org.

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PRESS PHOTOS BY CINDY SINGLES

Scouts from Troop 72 of Fogelsville, Troop 56 of Phillipsburg, N.J., and Troop 63 Forks of the Delaware District recite the Boy Scout oath. Scouts include: Troop 63, Trevor Parks; Troop 72, Ethan Bauer; Jeffrey Garback; Brandon Krause; Alex Marvi; Trevor McCleary; Peyton Stockdale and Ethan Supplee and Troop 56, Tyler Simons.

A century of scouting

Brake, Dent Minsi Trail's Distinguished Citizens

By CINDY SINGLES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

For a century, the Boy Scouts of America has been a strong foundation for developing character and preparing young people for leadership, achievement and community service.

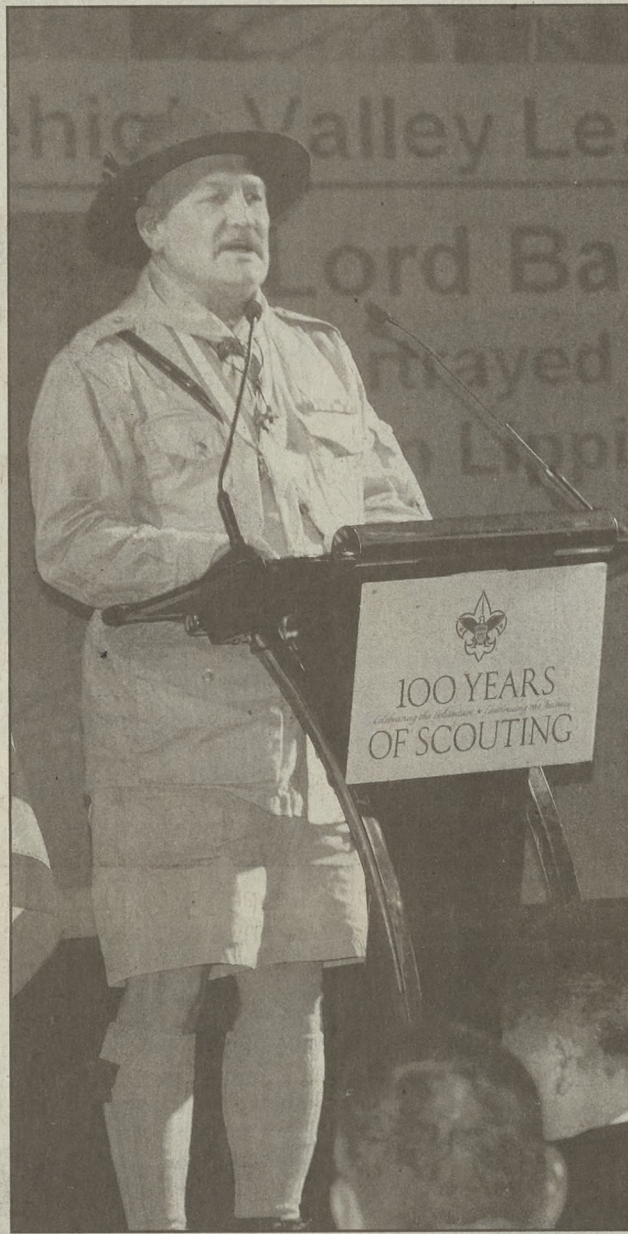
A celebration of 100 years of scouting and 100 years of leadership in the Lehigh Valley was held May 10 at the Holiday Inn Conference Center in Fogelsville, sponsored by the Minsi Trails Council.

About 550 guests attended the dinner with the evening theme, "Scouting...100 Years of Leadership" showcasing the positive benefits scouting contributes in the Lehigh Valley.

WFMZ-TV news anchor Rob Vaughn served as celebrity master of ceremonies for the festivities that included presentations of scouting through the decades commemorating scouting's 100th anniversary. Scouts from Troop 72 of Fogelsville and Troop 56 of Phillipsburg, N.J., participated in sharing leadership experiences and demonstrations of scouting, including Morse code communications and changes that have occurred in uniforms.

Glen Lippincott, Scouting's Pocono District Commissioner, provided a historical perspective to scouting by portraying the founder of scouting, Lord Robert Baden-Powell. Lippincott spoke about how scouting began in the Allentown area.

Lippincott began his involvement in scouting as an 8-year-old child. Part of a four-generation family of scouts, Lippincott was approached by his father in 1980 and asked if he got something out of the (scouting) program. When Lippincott acknowledged, yes he did, his father responded by saying, "Don't you think it's time to give something back?" Lippincott has contin-



Glen Lippincott, scouting's Pocono District Chairman, provides his scouting historical perspective by portraying scouting's founder, Lord Baden-Powell.

ued to be involved in the Boy Scouts of America for 50 years.

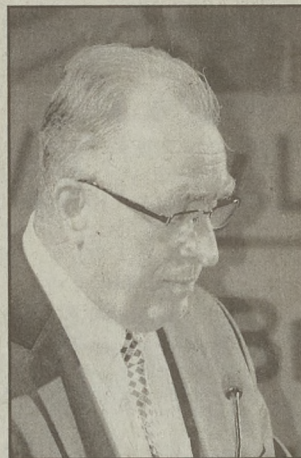
Father Dan Gambet, president emeritus of DeSales University, gave an introduction of the Distinguished Citizen honorees.

The Boy Scouts' prestigious Distinguished Citizen Award recognizes individuals who set positive examples for others and who demonstrate concern and significant care for their communities.

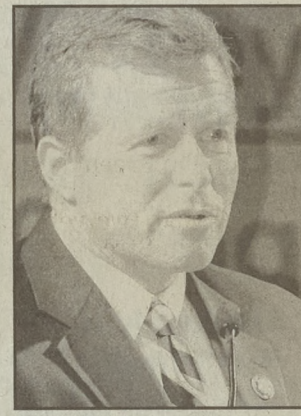
John McGlade, Air Prod-

ucts CEO, chairman and president; Craig Poland, new scout executive and CEO of Minsi Trails Council, and John Hayes, president of Minsi Trails Council, presented the 2010 Minsi Trails Council Boy Scouts Distinguished Citizen Award to Joseph Brake, vice president and general manager of Coca-Cola Bottling Company, and U.S. Congressman Charles Dent, R-15th District.

Brake, who is an active participant in the community and local organizations, serves on the executive board of Boy Scouts of America, Minsi Trails Council and currently holds the President-elect position. Brake is described as having a pri-



Joseph Brake, vice president and general manager of Coca-Cola Bottling Co., is a recipient of the Boy Scouts 2010 Distinguished Citizen Award.



U.S. Congressman Charlie Dent, R-15th District, addresses the audience after receiving the Boy Scouts 2010 Distinguished Citizen Award May 10.

mary interest in helping youth recognize their skills and talents and to learn how to become engaged citizens of their communities.

Dent, a lifelong resident of Lehigh Valley, has served as the chairman of the Lehigh Valley Leadership Dinner for the past five years. He helped raise approximately \$1.5 million for local scouting programs. His focus on youth in the community has led to his interest in working with Minsi Trails Council.

The event raised \$315,000 with all proceeds funding Scouting programs throughout the Lehigh Valley and surrounding communities. The council serves about 27,000 local youth members with the help of 5,500 local volunteer adult leaders.

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STATE POLICE
Drug possession

Colonial Regional Police arrested 20-year-old Shan McGraw, of Bluestone Drive in Bethlehem, on numerous drug charges around 5 p.m. June 5.

According to police, the arrest was part of an investigation with the Northampton County Drug Task Force and undercover officers who had made two purchases from McGraw. McGraw was pulled over on Stoke Park Road in Hanover Township. Police found 256 hits, or about \$3,000 worth of LSD in the vehicle and on his person.

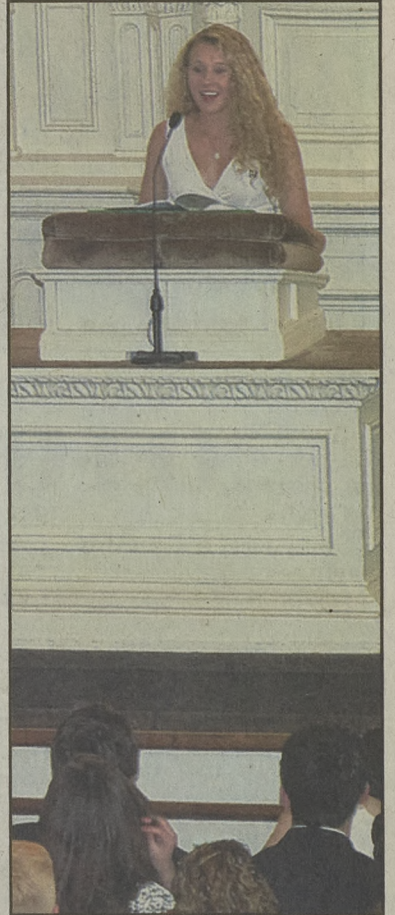
Police also found unspecified paraphernalia.

McGraw is charged with two counts each of delivery and possession with intent to deliver, and three counts of possession of a controlled substance. He was remanded to Northampton County Prison in lieu of \$50,000 bail.



PHOTOS BY AMICO STUDIOS

Known as "lifers," there were 24 members of the Class of 2010 who entered Moravian Academy in either pre-kindergarten, kindergarten or first grade.



Class of 2010 President Lauren Stockunas delivers the commencement speech.

AREA POLICE
DUI

Freemansburg Police arrested Kenneth Blair, of Main Street in that borough, for driving under the influence around 2:35 a.m. June 4.

According to police, Blair was observed driving far above the speed limit and pulled him over. He allegedly smelled strongly of alcohol and failed field sobriety tests.

He was remanded to the DUI Center for processing.

Thefts/Mischief

Police responded to a number of resident reports late May into early June in Freemansburg.

On May 30, two vehicles on Main Street suffered damaged windshields while a store in the 200 block was shot at with a BB gun, damaging the front windows.

Another vehicle, a Volkswagen, was damaged on Clearfield Street May 31. A speaker, amp and cash were taken, police said, as were the front grill and fog lights.

Two men in the 800 block of Kossuth Street reported their home was broken into June 2. According to police, these two brothers returned home from work to find a number of items, including a Wii, games and cash stolen. A screen in the kitchen was found to have been cut to gain entry.

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'Change is good'



Callie Woods, recipient of the prestigious John Amos Comenius Award (given to the Moravian Academy graduate with the highest academic average in grade 12), receives a handshake from Headmaster George N. King Jr. after receiving her diploma from Judy Waldman, chairwoman of Moravian's Board of Trustees.



Members of the Class of 2010 look on as their classmates receive their diplomas. Seventy-seven members of the Class of 2010 received diplomas in Central Moravian Church June 5.

By CAROL SMITH
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The words of Moravian Academy's class speaker Lauren Stockunas held a full range of emotions.

Stockunas, the Class of 2010's president, brought the class to a congratulatory stand as she said, "We did it."

Difficult as it was for her to grasp the reality of the moment, Stockunas said this June 5 high school graduation ceremony marked another milestone in the students' life journeys.

This milestone is a time to savor favorite memories of the life of ups and downs that have shaped their high school experience, but also to prepare for new adventures she told her classmates who were dressed in white dresses and black suits. Each girl carried a single rose and each boy had a rose boutonniere.

"Change is good. Getting too comfortable is limiting," said Stockunas of the closing door of the world of high school.

Stockunas called on the words of American Pulitzer-Prize winning poet Mary Oliver to focus her speech on the need to move on.

Quoting Oliver's poem, "Wild Geese," the MA class president said,

"Whoever you are, no matter how lonely, the world offers itself to your imagination, / calls to you like the wild geese, harsh and exciting — / over and over announcing your place / in the family of things."

Stockunas said she

hoped that her fellow classmates would be open to life's exciting adventures: new discoveries, new relationships and even a few mistakes.

Due to the threat of thunderstorms and rain, the ceremony was moved to Central Moravian Church on Main Street.

The Rev. Jennifer Nichols, school chaplain, addressed her invocation remarks to the Class of 2010 by describing this ceremonial benchmark as a "bittersweet moment of openings and closings."

With his authority as the Upper School's director, Carlton P. Chandler said that the Class of 2010 had "fulfilled the mission of Moravian Academy to be educated in mind, body and spirit. It was a challenge and a pleasure to work with them," Chandler added.

Before presenting diplomas to the 77 members of this year's graduation class, Headmaster George N. King Jr. introduced the 24 students who had received a Moravian education since pre-kindergarten. The "lifers" received a round of applause from the audience assembled inside the church.

King, then proceeded to present a brief profile of each student's accomplishments.

Senior Callie Woods received the John Amos Comenius Award, which is presented to the student with the highest academic average in grade 12.

Board of Trustees Chair Judy Waldman handed out the diplomas and shook each graduate's hand.

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At commencement's end, Bethlehem Catholic graduates whoop it up and let their mortarboards fly.

'Take a leap of faith'



Valedictorian Monica Sansonetti: "Live life with no regrets."



Salutatorian Brooke Segarra: "Thank our parents and guardians for their abundant love."

By ADRIENNE WRIGHT
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Bethlehem Catholic HS's Class of 2010 walked into the Richard B. Culver Performing Arts Center June 10 as high school students and walked out as graduates, ready to take on the world with their diplomas in hand.

Almost 200 graduates, clad in brown and gold robes and wearing beaming smiles, were presented with diplomas during the regal affair, accompanied by Mainstreet Brass.

"Tonight, we gather for a joyful occasion as we celebrate achievement and look to the future," Becahi President the Rev. Robert Finlan told the packed auditorium.

Valedictorian Monica Sansonetti, bound for Georgetown University this fall, encouraged her classmates to dive into their future headfirst.

"We don't know what's going to happen tomorrow, or next week, or 30 years from now," Sansonetti said. "So we take a leap of faith — we take our faith in ourselves, our parents, our friends and in God, and we put that faith to good use. We go for our goals, forging ahead into the abyss of the unknown, to accomplish what we set out to do in the first place."

She recounted the story of Billy Joel, who struggled for years to make it as a successful musician, even attempting suicide along the way. But he persevered and eventually became a multiplatinum recording artist, a lesson

that Sansonetti asked her classmates to bear in mind.

"We can overcome any obstacle the future may throw at us," Sansonetti said. "How do I know this? Because we all have roots in Bethlehem Catholic."

Salutatorian Brooke Segarra reminded her classmates that while they no longer have to endure many aspects of high school life, they'll continue to have to deal with one thing: themselves.

"We should not regret, but accept, all that we have done, both the good and the not-so-good," Segarra said. "It's not the achievements solely, but the setbacks in our past, that fashion our lives into masterpieces of beauty. Remember that you are the author of your own life."

During the ceremony, graduates Elizabeth Bidwell and Ericka Blair presented Becahi with the class gift: an alma mater banner to hang in the school.

"Leaving behind a banner is the perfect way to let the spirit of the Class of 2010 live on," Blair said.

Finlan encouraged the graduates to take the lessons they had learned at Becahi and apply them to the "fearfully, but wonderfully, complex world."

"Remember that each one of us only journeys through this life once," Finlan said. "So make sure that when you look back at the end of yours, you've left this world a little better."



Graduates give their undivided attention to the valedictory address.



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Domestic

Police arrested two sisters following a fight in the 1400 block of Marvine Street around 3:30 a.m. May 28.

According to police, Cynthia D. Rivera, 25, of Livingston Street, and Jasmari Lopez-Quinones, 24, of Broadway, initially began a heated discussion regarding the use of the keys for their father's Honda. As the argument escalated, Rivera accused her sibling of "having a bitch fit" and moments later the two were throwing punches and pulling hair.

Police said the fight resulted in broken nails, bruises, scratches and matching charges for harassment.

Drunkenness

Police arrested Steven Lamm, 39, of Whitehall, for drunkenness around 1:40 p.m. May 31.

And again at 8:30 p.m. In the first incident, Lamm was allegedly bothering other customers at Main Street eatery Tika's Lounge. He was charged with public drunkenness and placed in a cell at police headquarters until he sobered up.

Hours later police responded to a call in the 500 block of 12th Avenue and found it was Lamm again, in a state of heavy intoxication and shouting at people.

He was taken to St. Luke's Hospital for treatment and is charged with two counts of public drunkenness and an open container violation.

Drug violation

Police arrested a man on numerous charges after stopping to investigate an illegally parked car on Buchanan Street around 8 p.m. May 26.

According to police, a double-parked car was observed and officers spoke with the passenger, who was alone. He showed "indicators" that he was not telling the truth about his identity, but when asked who he was with he announced "The Latin Kings." Police discovered his true name, Carlos Robert Martinez, 29, of Cherokee Street, and that he already had at least one open Northampton County warrant.

Searching Martinez, police allegedly found two packets of suspected cocaine in a pack of cigarettes and observed him trying to toss three additional packets away surreptitiously.

Martinez was remanded to the Northampton County Sheriff's Office on charges of possession of a controlled substance, false ID to law enforcement officials, possession of paraphernalia and tampering with evidence.

The driver, an unidentified female, was not charged.

Public drunkenness

Police arrested three people in separate incidents of public intoxication within 12 minutes early on the morning of May 14.

Moravian College student Scott Michael Friedman, 22, of Iron Street, was discovered north of Elizabeth Avenue so drunk he could not stand up.

Peter Schmid, 50, of Third Avenue, was observed lying on his back in the 300 block of West Garrison Street — on the street. He was transported to St. Luke's Hospital for treatment because of his high blood alcohol level.

Pablo Santos, 60, of New York City, was seen stumbling aimlessly around the Sands Casino Resort parking garage and picked up by police. In his inebriation, he allegedly became distraught over being unable to have a cigarette and tried to hang himself with his own shirt.

He was removed to St. Luke's Hospital for psychological evaluation.

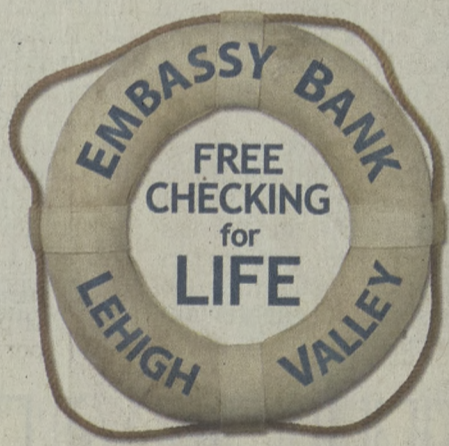


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"Graduating as valedictorian is something that I have worked towards throughout my entire high school experience," said Stephen Prager.



"The strongest advice I can provide is to never give up," said Sarah Rose Aquilina, salutatorian of the 2010 graduating class. "All your hard work will be worth it."



"The love within the families and the spirit of faith was powerful," said Bishop John Barras, commencement speaker, about Notre Dame graduates.



PRESS PHOTOS BY ESTIZER SMITH

Amanda Bravo, Alex Buccino, Julian Caiazz and Reid Klotz enjoy the feeling of "being graduates" while they wait for their classmates to catch up.

'Make each day a masterpiece'

By H. L. STONE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Blue robes and gold hoods danced in the air and canvas tents flapped with sharp snapping sounds like sails on a ship as onlookers held onto their hats, literally, to witness the long-awaited commencement.

With high winds and even higher hopes, not to mention threats of thunderstorms, tornadoes and hail, Notre Dame's graduating class of 2010 swept in stately, if wind-blown fashion across the school's athletic field to a waiting crowd of more than 600 family and friends June 6.

"Lovely weather we're having today isn't it?" said valedictorian Stephen I. Prager, looking sardonically at the sky and smiling.

Father Robert J. George launched the ceremony with a prayer for divine guidance, strength, unity, justice, and above all, love. Salutatorian Sarah Rose Aquilina approached the podium to embrace the audience with words of inspiration.

Stressing the importance of Catholic values and that the motivations for performing deeds are often better for personal development than the deeds themselves, Aquilina talked about the pitfalls of material success and of trying to keep up with society's expectations.

"Success is such a relative

term, and something to be cautious of," said Aquilina, warning the class that success, without self-determination and faith in God, is empty.

Aquilina, by no means an underachiever, has been involved in many school activities including Key Club, SADD, Spanish Club, Language Honor Society, National Honor Society and Student Council, and has contributed to The Crusader school newspaper staff as well as to this publication, The Bethlehem Press.

After a brief benediction, the graduates' names were announced and diplomas placed into eager hands, to the sporadic applause and cheers of guests. Special honors were given to several students for excellence in achievement in the various departments and disciplines, and no small amount of attention was paid to honoring the military institutions granting scholarships to a select few.

Jeffrey T. Tucker, Esq., representing West Point Academy, presented a certificate of appointment to Joseph M. Salmento. At West Point, Salmento will receive one of the highest levels of officer training along with a \$200,000 scholarship to cover expenses.

David "D.J." Principato was the recipient of the coveted Navy scholarship, worth \$400,000 presented by the Blue and Gold Officer from the U.S. Naval Academy.

"It's definitely worth more than the Army one," said the officer to the chuckles of the crowd, evoking the age-old rivalry between Army and Navy.

Both Stephen I. Prager, valedictorian, and salutatorian Aquilina received awards for scholastic excellence from the U.S. Marine Corps.

Prager then took the podium to unfold a tale of his experiences at Notre Dame as a newcomer, a transfer student of mixed religious background — Catholic, but Jewish too.

"From the time, I walked into the school I felt a sense of welcome that I will never forget and will miss very much," Prager said. He went on to talk about the challenges the class had endured when faced with the loss of three members of the student body, and how when confronted with the harsh reality of death they endured through faith and belief in God.

"I have never felt more confident about the abilities of the class to succeed," said Prager, advising them in the words of Shakespeare's "Hamlet": "This above all — to thine own self be true."

Prager, who served as secretary for the National Honor Society, captain of the Speech and Debate Club and Scholastic Scrimmage, has participated in track and field, school orchestra, and theater and was copy and design editor

of "The Crusader," the school's newspaper.

Buffeted by the blustery weather, honored guest speaker Bishop of Allentown John O. Barres began by quoting the legendary late UCLA basketball coach John Wooden, known for his "Pyramid of Success" which places Christian character, follow-through and the virtue of faith at the apex.

"We make each day a masterpiece by opening up to the power of the body and blood of Christ and being faithful to that power," the bishop said, exhorting the class to make their lives an adventure in Christ's love.

After a final benediction, graduation caps flew off in a wind-swept wave of blue. The sky had been steadily darkening throughout the ceremony, the coming rainstorm held back until the end as if by divine force as the new graduates marched across the field to be congratulated by loved ones. Only as the graduates and their families dispersed did the first drops begin to fall. It was a day for miracles.

Later, Bishop Barres had the opportunity to have a personal moment with many of the graduates and their families after the graduation and to hear of their future plans.

"The love within the families and the spirit of faith was powerful," he said. "My best wishes to the Class of 2010."



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STRIVE

Teen event set for June 19

The 15th anniversary of STRIVE (Students Together Striving For Excellence) will be held from noon to 6 p.m. June 19 at the Touchstone Theatre, 321 E. Fourth St. The theme is unity and leadership. There will be a panel discussion on issues facing teens today, a talent show with cash prizes for students in grades 8 to 12, college scholarship awards, door prizes and food. The event is free and open to the public.

For information, call 610-336-4393 or visit www.striveyouth.com.

BETHLEHEM

Carnival set for June 19

The City of Bethlehem's Parks, Recreation and Public Property Department, Homebase Skateshop and DJ Stevie Entertainment will sponsor a carnival 5 to 10 p.m. June 19. The Bethlehem Skateplaza benefit will be held at the Charles A. Brown Ice House, Sand Island, 56 River St. General admission and parking are free.

Activities include a DJ, costumed characters, food, drinks, baked goods, carnival games, activities and prizes. Icehouse concerts, for which there is a fee, are every hour beginning at 5:45 p.m. Featured performers are the Billy Bauer Band at 5:45 p.m., Stevie and Chris Ruggiero (variety entertainers) at 6:45 p.m., Roche Harbor Light at 7:45 p.m. and Revelation at 8:45 p.m. Call 610-865-7081 for information.

DBA

Restaurant week set for June 28

The second annual summer restaurant week is set for June 28 through July 4. The Downtown Bethlehem Association (DBA), a council of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce, along with Southern Wine and Spirits of PA and the Bethlehem Parking Authority are presenting the event.

Twenty-six restaurants will offer fixed price menus for lunch and dinner. Participating restaurants with full bars will debut Bonterra Organic Wine and drink specials made with Tequila Herradura.

Diners at the participating restaurants will have a chance to enter a drawing to win gift certificates for a meal for two at each of the 26 locations. The Bethlehem Parking Authority's Walnut and North street garages have free parking for diners who have their parking stubs validated by a restaurant week restaurant. Southside restaurants will have special tokens for parking meters.

Advanced reservations are encouraged.

For a complete list of participating restaurants, visit www.bethlehemrestaurantweek.com.

Courage, confidence, character

Girl Scouts honors 5 Lehigh Valley women

By PAT KESLING
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Priscilla Payne Hurd, whose living legacy makes her one of the Lehigh Valley's most significant patrons of health care, education and the arts, has been devoted to a mission of "neighbors helping neighbors" since she was 12, having learned from her mother who took her daughter with her as she volunteered at the Hull House mission

in Chicago.

Hurd, now 89, said she has never wavered from that mission and urged an audience full of Girl Scouts to learn similar important lessons in her speech at the "Take the Lead 2010" award presentations given by the Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania, April 27 at Lehigh Country Club.

The event, which was attended by hundreds, including many community leaders,

honored five Lehigh Valley women of "courage, confidence and character whose leadership makes the world a better place."

They were Hurd of Springtown, Kim Capers of Macungie, Terry A. Capuano and Debra Fraser-Howze, both of Bethlehem, and Dr. Joan Schork of Allentown.

Event co-chairs were Tracy Onorofsky and Ilene Wood. Leading corporate sponsor was Capital Blue Cross.



Priscilla Payne Hurd
Philanthropist

Hurd quoted a Biblical song, "This Little Light of Mine," stressing, "The miracle is this: the more we share, the more we have." She is the naming contributor to the \$30 million Priscilla Payne Pavilion at the Bethlehem campus of St. Luke's Hospital and the hospital's Education Center; DeSales university's Science Center; and several facilities at Moravian College. She was the first woman to chair the boards of trustees at both St. Luke's Hospital and at Moravian College. She has been honored numerous times and remains affiliated with many boards. The honorees stressed one thing in each of their speeches: "Always keep learning."



Kim Capers
CHIP Outreach Coordinator for Capital Blue Cross

Capers was nominated not just for "who and what she is but for the very important role girl scouting has played in her life." Capers told the group that girl scouting eventually steered her onto the path of diligent study, academic achievement and higher education, one rarely taken by young people in her improvised community where she grew up. Capers is a member of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce, where she works with the Communities in Schools; is the founder of the Minority Real Estate Network of the Lehigh Valley, and is an active supporter of the Martin Luther and Coretta Scott King Memorial Project of the Lehigh Valley.



Terry Capuano
Chief Operating Officer Lehigh Valley Hospital Network

Capuano is a member of the Board of Trustees of Cedar Crest College, and a member of the Harvard Business Review Advisory Council and the American Organization of Nurse Executives. She was commended for using a team approach that brought ideas to life and shed national attention on the Networks procedures for patient care. Twice it received Magnet designation from the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the highest honor for nursing care that is held by fewer than 6 percent of the nation's hospitals. Capuano held the \$1.5 million Peggy Fleming Endowed Chair in Nursing, which she used to support nursing research and professional development.



Debra Y. Fraser-Howze
Vice President of Government and External Affairs, Orasure Technologies

Fraser-Howze founded the National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS (NBLCA) in 1987 and served as president and CEO for more than 20 years. She was the first to mobilize community groups and individuals that raised hundreds of millions of dollars to build awareness about HIV/AIDS. She was widely recognized for her leadership in promoting social welfare and education and awareness of HIV/AIDS and teen pregnancy. Fraser-Howze has received many awards, including, in 2009, the National Medical Association's highest honor — the Scroll of Merit Award, which recognizes achievement in medicine, science, education or public service.



Dr. Joan Schork
Chief Engineer's Office Air Products

Among the top 20 technologists in Air Products' workforce of 22,000 employees, Schork is among the select few scientists to help maintain and build the company's technology capabilities. As past chair of the Industrial Research Institute's Women Innovators Network, she led a successful effort to help the Institute's member companies recruit and retain talented women technologists. She is active in the Society of Women Engineers and frequently conducts experiments and demonstrations for local elementary-school classrooms. Schork belongs to many professional organizations and is active in Engineers Without Borders and Community Bike Works.

REACH

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comment. Those who did were almost unanimous in their dissent.

Lucy Lennon, owner of The Other Fish, said she has been disappointed in the lack of support toward local merchants by the Sands Casino, and feels ArtsQuest's projects and self-aggrandizement will only further hurt the city's downtown business owners. Lennon's suggestion: If the street is to be renamed, it should be in recognition of late city councilwoman Maggie Szabo and all she did for the Southside.

Szabo's sister, Louise Valeriano, said, "The city was made by the Steel, and the Steel was made by the workers," and suggested a new name be cognizant of such. "Steel Workers" would make more sense, she said, as she is a native and has no idea what "SteelStacks" is in reference to when everyone knows they're called blast furnaces.

National Museum of Industrial History President Stephen Donches spoke for retaining the name as it pays tribute to the entire Steel site. He said simple blue-and-white informational signs placed strategically in the city can do the job of directing

people to the area without having to change anything. "This proposal seems a reach," he said in conclusion.

Public Works Committee member Karen Dolan, who suggested a change of the meeting order so that citizens could speak before council members rather than after, said her ideas about the Steel were different from what others had said. Having come to Bethlehem in 1985, she said she experienced the company at the height of its decadence and thought those warm feelings for the Steel were "revisionist history." She said the name "SteelStacks" is a marketing concept and

one she hoped would stick. City Council member Gordon Mowrer said he feels the name will make the venture more successful. "Right now," he said to Parks, "you have a good track record so I tend to support you."

Council member Eric Evans said while he did not mind a name change, he preferred Valeriano's idea and suggested the other streets, First and Second, also be considered for name changes to have a real Bethlehem Steel motif through the whole area.

With Jean Belinski, the committee chairwoman, as the sole dissenting vote on the three-member com-

mittee, the fate of the Founders Way street name will now proceed to city council.

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ST. STEPHEN'S
Mystery to be held June 18

St. Stephen's Evangelical Lutheran Church will host a comedy-mystery evening at 6:15 p.m. June 18. The Star City Players will present "My Big Fat Irish Wake," an evening of crime and nourishment, at the church, 67 W. Washington Ave. Prizes will be given. There is a fee.

Call 610-253-1376 for information.

SOUTHSIDE
City to hold camp June 21-25

The City of Bethlehem will hold a summer camp for southside youth ages 13 to 15 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 21 through 25. Transportation, lunch and activities, which include canoeing, rock climbing, hiking, fishing and biking, will be provided for attendees.

To register or for information, call 610-997-7971 or e-mail Matkinson@bethlehem-pa.gov. Space is limited.

RADIO CLUB
Field days set for June 27

The Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club will hold its annual 24-hour Amateur Radio Field Day beginning at 9:30 a.m. June 26.

Open to the public, the free field day experience will be held at the Plainfield Farmers Fairgrounds, Route 191, four miles north of Nazareth and five miles south of Bangor.

The event continues through 2 p.m. June 27, as 30,000 amateur radio operators across the country practice their operating skills and test their radio station's capabilities.

The event is sponsored by the national American Radio Relay League organization.

For the Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club, it is an opportunity to test local emergency preparedness operation. For more information, call 610-432-8266 or visit www.arrrl.org/field-day or <http://dlarc.org/club-info/field-day>.

Supt. candidate meets the public

By DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

"I met a lot of good people and organizations who are ready to step in and partner with the school district," said Dr. Joseph J. Roy, the prospective new superintendent of Bethlehem Area School District when asked about the results of a recent round of meetings with members of the community.

Roy had lunch June 7 with representatives of several organizations, including Air Products, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and the Council of Spanish Speaking Organizations. Later, he met with about 45 members of the public in the Memorial Gymnasium at Liberty HS.

Roy served as an assistant principal at Liberty HS in 1991 and is currently the principal of Upper Moreland HS in Willow Grove. He is married to Anmarie (née Lukens), whose father is an executive with Lehigh Valley Hospital. They have two daughters, one in San Francisco and one who just graduated high school. The Roys are expecting a third child this month.

BASD School Board member Irene Follweiler, who moderated the meeting, said that the school board felt that community involvement in the selection of a new superintendent is critical.

Follweiler said that the series of meetings with the public is the "next step in the search process."

ON DIVERSITY
"Diversity is an area of my expertise," Roy said, responding to a question from the evening audience asking him how he would interact with the ethnic mix of the community. Roy said that his experience as principal and later as assistant superintendent of Springfield Township HS in Montgomery County had given him experience with dealing with diversity.

According to PublicSchoolReview.com, Springfield Township HS's ethnic mix includes about 2 percent Latinos and 18 percent African-American. Upper Moreland HS is about 2 percent Latino, about 9 percent African-American and about 84 percent white, according to PublicSchoolReview.com. If hired, Roy, who said he does not speak Spanish, will come into a district that has a much greater Latino population; Liberty HS has a population of 33 percent Latino and Freedom HS is about 26 percent Latino.

The student bodies of Liberty and Freedom each have 9 percent African-American students. BASD officials did not immediately respond to a request for general school district demographic information.

ON DISCIPLINE
Roy told the small crowd that he is a proponent of "restorative practices," a philosophy of dealing with disciplinary issues that places high value in getting disruptive students to admit their shortcomings and to apologize for their actions. The philosophy generally opposes "zero tolerance" discipline.

"When we just suspend a student," Roy said, speaking to The Press, "the student doesn't have to do anything." He said that overall progress is made when the student admits he has done wrong and apologizes and promises not to repeat the offense.

Since 2004, Roy has been on the graduate school board of

BETHLEHEM AREA SD



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Dr. Joseph J. Roy spoke to a small crowd of citizens and some BASD teachers and administrators June 7 at the Liberty HS gym. The meeting was part of a "meet the public" tour organized by the BASD's school board.

directors for the International Institute for Restorative Practices, based in Bethlehem.

ON ACCESS
A teacher wanted to know if the teachers would have access to him if the school board selects him as the new superintendent.

"I am not office-bound," Roy said. "I will educate myself as to what's going on."

A mother wanted to know if he would be accessible to parents. Roy said he would attend some parent-teacher meetings and otherwise keep himself accessible to parents.

ON PERFORMANCE
The issue of student academic performance is an ongoing challenge, Roy told The Press. "We have to have better data," said Roy.

When asked about his plans to get the school district into full compliance with the Pa. System



Dr. Joseph J. Roy

of State Assessment (PSSA) standards, he said that the high schools have not met adequate yearly progress (AYP) "for the longest time. My experience has been to focus on seeing that the curriculum is aligned and then assessing the PSSA scores so that you have data all the way up [through the grade levels]."

Liberty and Freedom have failed to meet AYP every year since 2003, when each received a "warning" status.

Roy said he would train teachers to use the data and would let the kids know where they stand and encourage them to buy into their own progress.

PSSA RESULTS
According to the Pa. Dept. of Education, math students at Upper Moreland HS did better in 2009 than did those in BASD's much larger high schools.

For example, of the white 11th graders scoring "below basic math" in the 2009 Math PSSA examination, most were fairly even: UMHS — 15.7 percent; FHS — 17.5 percent; LHS — 19.4 percent. But African-American students fared significantly worse in the BASD schools: UMHS — 35 percent; FHS — 60.4 percent; LHS — 47.9 percent.

No Latinos took the math test at UMHS last year. Almost half of the Latino 11th graders in 2009 — 48.3 at Freedom and 48.9 at Liberty — failed to demonstrate basic math skills.

PSSA scores for 2010 have not yet been released to the public, according to a PDE spokesperson.

STANDARDS
A recent evaluation of BASD's curriculum by state-appointed expert Dr. Margaret Barilla found that about 80 percent of the district's curriculum is in noncompliance with state standards. Roy said that he has not had a chance to read Barilla's report.

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LANGUAGES

When The Press asked about students learning foreign languages, Roy acknowledged that children learn a new language best if schools teach it at the elementary level; that studies have shown that such early study of foreign language increases comprehension and vocabulary in their native language.

Unless funding is available and evidence exists that the community wants children to have this opportunity, it is not likely that BASD, under his leadership, will offer foreign languages in the lower grades.

Recently, the BASD School Board unanimously approved a charter for a dual language school in

South Bethlehem that will simultaneously teach elementary children in Spanish and English.

At the same time, some school board members believe charter schools sap needed funding away from the cash-strapped school districts.

LUNCH PROGRAM

When asked what he would do about correcting the deficit in BASD's school lunch program that at the beginning of the year had students owing about \$170,000 to the school, Roy said that he was unaware that such a problem existed. Under the leadership of Interim Supt. Thomas E. Persing, school officials have significantly reduced this deficit.

RETIREMENT FUNDING

Asked about the impending teacher and school employee retirement fund-

ing crisis that threatens to bankrupt school districts across the state, he said that the only solution is to be part of the process that gets state lawmakers to change laws to restructure the retirement funding system.

When the school board votes to hire Roy, which seems a certainty, he will replace Persing, who has held the BASD superintendent position since former Supt. Dr. Joseph Lewis resigned under pressure from the school board and the community for what were widely perceived as management problems in the sixth largest school district in the state.

REACTIONS

Bethlehem Chapter of the NAACP President Esther Lee said she perceives Roy as "a very nice man" and a "clean-cut CEO type," but she was not happy

that the company the board hired to conduct the executive search brought only one candidate to the public.

"We met with the search company," she said. "We gave them our suggestions regarding what we wanted. It irritates me that they only brought one [candidate] forward. Don't just bring one candidate forward to be rubber stamped."

Lee said it was "problematic" that when she asked him about finances and bond swaps, "He had no history in dealing with what we have here."

Roy told The Press that he is confident he can master the budget process.

"There are commonalities in [all] Pennsylvania [school] budgets," he said.

"He's not the one," Lee said. "I'm not buying it." Olga Negron, executive

director of the Council of Spanish Speaking Organizations headquartered in South Bethlehem, also met Roy at the luncheon.

"We could have done better," she told The Press. "The candidate reflects the values of the school board and of the recruiting firm."

(The recruiting firm, People Solutions Inc., is headed by two Caucasian men, Dr. William VanTine and Dr. Charles Scott. Both are retired school administrators.)

"With the economy like it is, they could have come up with a candidate with experience in a school district of our size and with the diversity that we have," said Negron.

Negron said she was encouraged when Roy told her that he "leads by collaboration and involving groups."

DBA
Next art walk set for June 26

The Downtown Bethlehem Association (DBA) will hold an Art Walk from 4 to 9 p.m. June 26. Artist exhibits and music performances will be take place on the sidewalks of Main and Broad streets. There is a kid's corner for children up to 11 years old from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Main Street Commons. The participants can enter a coloring contest to win a trip to Disney World. There will be live music and a raffle to win various Bethlehem theater tickets at the Bank of America area, Broad and New streets.

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St. Luke's barn plan clears some hurdles

BETHLEHEM TWP.

In spite of obstacles, planners grant some waivers sought for project

By H. L. STONE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Bethlehem Township Planning Commission revisited the proposed St. Luke's barn restoration project May 24 with Werner Buckl, president of CMG Construction Management, Easton, who is seeking approval to implement ordinance 0506, a "flexibility" ordinance designed to allow the planners the freedom to evaluate land use and development on a case-by-case basis.

Although the planners could implement the ordinance, Director of Planning Howard L. Kutzler pointed out that they are by no means required to do so.

Buckl pleaded the case for the barn project, maintaining that the cumulative effect of the costs for possible improvements to the property that planners may require could permanently stall the project, like the requirement to have all electric lines underground, and the township's firm zoning ordinance that the main



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Werner Buckl, president of CMG Construction Management, Easton, pleads the case for waivers for the St. Luke's barn restoration project at the Bethlehem Township Planning Commission meeting May 24.

access road be paved for health and safety reasons.

Planning Commission President Lee Snover, hearing of the proposed plan for the first time, says there's a lack of feasibility for the project.

"I find it to be really outlandish," Snover said, adding that she regretted that the plan is in front of her.

The project calls for restoration and repurposing of a dilapidated barn on an isolated field owned by St. Luke's Hospital, near Freemansburg Avenue and Route 33.

Only the existing stone foundation would be preserved and built upon. Planners have expressed concerns over security, use of the site and safety regarding an existing, often-used bike path, all apparent hurdles to the project.

In spite of these obstacles, the commission granted some of the waivers sought by Buckl, including those determining use and parking for the site; however, requirements for underground electrical service and street improvements were not waived, but deferred until the township sees whether there will be further proposed development of the site.

CENTER FOR ANIMAL HEALTH & WELFARE

Animals are available for adoption at the Center for Animal Health & Welfare no-kill shelter, 1165 Island Park Road, Easton. The shelter is working to end pet overpopulation by running a clinic so animals can be spayed or neutered before they go home.

For more information, call 610-252-7722 or visit www.healthyanimalcenter.org.



Tashi is extremely friendly and very gentle. She likes other dogs and has wonderful animated ears and is a cute girl.



Vivica likes other cats and is very friendly. She is a bit hand shy but warms up once she gets to know you. Vivica is up-to-date on shots, altered, litter-trained.

VOLUNTEERS

AMERICA ON WHEELS, Allentown, needs help with the planning of a holiday tree decorating contest, Chinese auction, Children's Safety Day and coordinating visits from mascots for Train Time Charity Event to be held mid-November and December. Contact Linda Merkel or Connie McDowell, 610-432-4200.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY LEHIGH VALLEY UNIT, Bethlehem, needs volunteers to distribute information at health fairs Monday through Friday, mornings and afternoons, occasional evenings and Saturdays. Contact Karen Schiavone, 610-921-2329x3104, karen.schiavone@cancer.org.

DISCOVER LEHIGH VALLEY, Allentown, is looking for volunteers for its "Fan Fest" before the Triple A baseball All Star Game July 10. Call Debbie Snyder, 610-882-9200, ext. 100, debbie@discoverlehighvalley.com.

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HISTORIC BETHLEHEM PARTNERSHIP, Bethlehem, needs volunteer helpers for the 25th annual Blueberry Festival. Contact: Megan Van Ravenswaay, 610-882-0450, ext. 20, mvanravenswaay@historicbethlehem.org.

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VIA OF THE LEHIGH VALLEY, Bethlehem, LV Health Network Marathon for VIA needs race day volunteers Sept. 12. Contact Gina Stano, 484-893-5389, Via@ViaNet.org.

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

BRIEFLY

MORAVIAN Academy camp, classes June 21

Moravian Academy is offering summer classes and a summer camp program at the Merle-Smith Campus, 4313 Green Pond Road. The programs are open to the public. Green Pond day camp has a weekly theme for children four years old to those entering eighth grade.

The camp is from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily for six weeks June 21 to July 30.

Summer classes will be from June 21 to 25 and include sports, science and creative arts. SAT prep classes will also be held on different dates.

For information, call 610-868-4744, ext. 287 or visit www.moravianacademy.org/podium/default.aspx?t=135050&rc=1.

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Preparing to Die
The Bible says, "Prepare to meet thy God" (Amos 4:12). In preparing to die, one might have his will made and his house in order, but he is not prepared to die until he is prepared to meet God!

In preparing for his demise, Mike Hanzas who lived alone, bought a cemetery lot and a casket. One day Mike invited a nephew and the rest of his family to visit him. After a hearty meal, Mike began to dispense personal things. Then he handed his nephew his will. As he did this, he dropped dead of heart failure! So far as we know, Mike had made every provision for his body but none for his soul! Yes, he was prepared to die as far as this life goes, but was he prepared to meet God? Was he prepared for what follows death? The Bible says, "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment" (Hebrews 9:27). "God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil" (Ecclesiastes 12:14). "So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God" (Romans 14:12).

A person is not prepared to die and meet God at the judgment until he has repented of his sins and accepted Jesus Christ as His Savior. He alone is "the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin" (John 1:29) of those who trust in Him. In John 14:6, Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." See www.naog.us/the-way.htm Our sins are forgiven and we are brought into fellowship with God only when we repent of our sins. The Bible says, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). Have you done that? If not, do it now because "now is the day of salvation" (2 Corinthians 6:2). Take time right now to "Prepare to meet thy God!"

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Charles Richter, above, Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre cofounder, directs "The Mikado," which continues through July 3 in the Empie Theatre, Baker Center for the Arts, Allentown.

'Mikado' rules

Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre revives tradition for 30th anniversary

By PAUL WILLISTEIN
Focus Editor

It was 30 years ago this month that Charles Richter had the idea of presenting "Broadway in the Lehigh Valley" during the summer theater season.

Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre (MSMT) returns to its roots for the 30th anniversary season with W.S. Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan's (G&S) "The Mikado," June 16 - July 3, Paul C. Empie Theatre, Dorothy & Dexter Baker Center for the Arts, Muhlenberg College, Allentown.

Also at MSMT is "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee," July 14 - Aug. 1, Dorothy Hess Baker Theatre, and "Schoolhouse Rock Live!," June 23 - July 30, Studio Theatre, both Trexler Pavilion for Theatre & Dance.

G&S was an MSMT draw for nearly a decade.

"We thought this would be a good time to bring back G&S," says Richter, who's again directing "The Mikado," which opened MSMT in



1981.

"I've directed a production every year. It's exciting. It tends to renew itself," Richter reflects.

Some actors from MSMT G&S shows are back for the comic opera, including Neil Hever as Ko-Ko.

"Neil's [Hever] playing the same role he did 30 years ago. We did the show ['Mikado'] in 1988 and he [Hever] played it again," Richter says.

Peter Schmidt, a teen in the chorus during MSMT's second season, is returning as Pooh-Bah.

"We were all kids in the mid-1980s. And now we're middle-aged men," Richter says with a chuckle, adding, "But you can go home again — if you approach it with the right spirit."

Ed Bara, a voice teacher at Muhlenberg, plays The Mikado title role.

Jenny Toner, who started out as a teen at MSMT, is Katisha. "She's sort of grown up with the company and it's great to have her back," Richter notes.

"The Mikado" has a cast of 35 and a 19-member orchestra. True to performance practices of "The Mikado," which opened in 1885 and was produced by D'Oyly Carte Opera Company for 100 years, no microphones will be used in the MSMT production.

"This is an opera. It's exciting. But our noses are to the grindstone," says Richter of South Whitehall Township.

"Our facilities are better. Our equipment is better. But it's still the challenge of mounting a lavish musical in three and a half weeks. It's the challenge of getting young people integrated with professionals," he says.

Vincent Travato is music director. Karen Dearborn is choreographer. Timothy Averill is scenic designer. Campbell Baird is costume designer. John McKernon is lighting designer. Curtis Dretsch is production man-

ager. "[H.M.S.] Pinafore" and "[The Pirates of] Penzance" are great operettas. But 'Mikado' scores on all levels. Sullivan's music is stunning.

"The lyrics are brilliant. Gilbert was the great comedy writer of his age. He was never stronger than in 'The Mikado.'"

"The Mikado" is the one that got all the international acclaim.

"Dealing with 'The Mikado,' you really feel the greatness of these two men [G&S]. It is their masterpiece. The first act finale is a 14-minute chorale spectacle.

"We're doing something very old ['The Mikado'], probably one of the first musical theater shows," says Richter. "And we're doing something very new, a Lehigh Valley premiere ['Spelling Bee']."

"It's [Spelling Bee] a show that's good for family audiences, with children 10 and up. 'The Mikado' can be enjoyed by 7- and 8-year-olds.

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8 DAYS A WEEK

Your look ahead at Valley Arts



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Play it again, Fred: "Most Valuable Players," the documentary about the Freddy Awards, will again be shown at 7:30 p.m. June 17 at the State Theatre Center for the Arts, Easton. The documentary was made in 2008. The Freddys honors regional high school musicals. Proceeds benefit the Freddys. Ticket information: 1-800-999-STATE



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Quite a collection: A preview party for two new Allentown Art Museum exhibits, "In Stitches: Quilts from the Allentown Art Museum Collection," including, above, "Quilted Patchwork" (1893, cotton, American, maker unknown, gift of Milton Sunday, 2007), and "Myths, Religion & Ritual: Indian Art from the Koblenzer Collection," is 6 - 8 p.m. June 19 in the museum. There will be food, beverages, music and socializing. RSVP by June 17: 610-432-4333, ext. 29

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Lucky 7 for Southside Film Festival

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It's lucky seven for the SouthSide Film Festival (SSFF), where this year's Cultural Focus is the Far East, highlighting films from China, Japan and Korea.

The seventh annual SSFF of more than 50 independent films will be screened through June 19 at southside Bethlehem venues. This year's Genre Focus is horror films.

Films are screened in Lewis Lab Auditorium and Sinclair Auditorium, both at Lehigh University, and Victory Firehouse, 205 Webster St., Bethlehem.

Approximately half of this year's filmmakers are expected to attend and be available for talk backs after their films are screened. The festival is presented by the SouthSide Film Institute.

Festivities got underway June 15 with an opening night party at Home &



Planet, 25 E. Third St., Bethlehem, and a screening of "Tucker and Dale vs Evil" in Lewis Auditorium, Lehigh University. The City of Bethlehem Bagpipe Band again led the way from the party

to the screening. Highlights of the SSFF include:

"A Tale of Two Sisters": 1 hr., 55 min.: The 2003 horror film directed by Ji-woon Kim is about two South Korean

sisters who try to exorcise their home of two dark forces: their evil stepmother and a vengeful entity. 9:10 p.m. June 16, 17; 5 p.m. June 18, Lewis Lab Auditorium.

"A World Without Thieves," 1 hr., 55 min.: The 2004 action-crime-drama feature directed by Xiaogang Feng is about a Chinese couple, Wang Bo and Wang Li, on a train of thieves. 5 p.m. June 16; 7 p.m. June 17; 3 p.m. June 19, Lewis Lab Auditorium

"Butte, America: The Saga of a Hard Rock Mining Town," 1 hr., 6 min.: The 2009 documentary directed by Pamela Roberts and narrated by Gabriel Byrne tells the story of Butte, Mont., once the world's largest producer of copper. 7:15 p.m. June 16, 17, Victory Firehouse.

"Building America in Bethlehem," 40 min.: Anisa George of Nazareth directed the 2009 documentary short about the conversion of Bethlehem

Steel Corp.'s Southside plant, one of the largest steel factories in the United States, into the Sands Casino Resort Bethlehem, ArtsQuest Steel Stacks, PBS39 complex. 7:15 p.m. June 16, 17, Victory Firehouse

"Genghis Blues," 1 hr., 28 min.: The documentary directed by Roko Belic and Adrian Belic is a documentary about blind blues musician Paul Pena and his journey to participate in a throat singing festival in Tuva, a Russian province. The film won the 1999 Sundance Film Festival Audience Award for Documentary and was nominated for a 2000 Academy Award in Best Documentary Feature. 9 p.m. June 17, 18; 7:15 p.m. June 19, Victory Firehouse.

"too soon too late," 12 min.: The 2009 short film directed by Bethlehem native Adrienne Finelli is described as an experimental documentary that explores family memory loss, denial of dysfunc-

tion and hardship. 9:15 p.m. June 16, 7:15 p.m. June 18, 5:15 p.m. June 19, Victory Firehouse.

There will be a screening of "American Astro-naut," shown at the 2004 SSFF "Prequel," at 11:15 p.m. June 18 in Lewis Auditorium, Lehigh University. The film, written and directed by Cory McAbee, follows the adventures of an interplanetary trader (McAbee) on a trip to Venus.

There will be parties 8 - 10 p.m. June 16; The Subtle Experience, Dan DeChellis Electro; and 10:30 p.m. - 12:30 a.m. June 17, New Madrid Faults, both at Wildflower Cafe, 316 S. New St., Bethlehem.

The festival concludes with a closing night party 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. June 19 in The Gander Room, Goosey Gander II, 102 W. Fourth St., Bethlehem.

Tickets are available at screenings. Information: www.southsidefilm-festival.com

Creatures from the vernal pools

BUD'S VIEW

By Bud Cole



Long before we open our backyard pools and well ahead of the annual migration of local youth to the community swimming pools, the Lehigh Valley's vernal pools are often filled to capacity.

A vernal pool, or pond, is a somewhat shallow depression in the ground that has no permanent outlet to allow water to exit. These depressions fill with rainwater and winter snow melt. They usually hold water in spring and early summer, but most or all of the water normally evaporates by late summer, because of the lack of a constant water source.

Vernal pools are very important for supporting the life cycles and providing a safe habitat for invertebrates such as the fery shrimp and at least one dozen local amphibians including American toads, spotted salamanders, spring peepers and wood frogs.

Since most vernal pools become dry at one time or another they do not support populations of breeding fish. The absence of fish, the major predators of amphibians during stages of their life cycle including eggs and tadpoles, assures that some individuals will survive to adulthood. Adults continue the life cycle, thus perpetuating each species.

Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center, Bushkill Township, Northampton County, and other nature organizations, schedule frog slogs to vernal pools in early spring



PRESS PHOTO BY BUD COLE

This spotted salamander entertained participants during Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center's spring Frog Slog.

to look for the nocturnally active creatures of the pools. While most adventurers heading into the outdoors hope and pray for a bright sunny day, frog sloggers hope for a damp drizzle-laden evening.

Bev and I have sloshed along on several of Jacobsburg's frog slogs with naturalists Rick Wiltraut and Andy Curtis. It's a bit surprising to see how many attendees are willing to trek through the dark during a light rain in search of insects and slimy night creatures.

The spotted salamander, is an area amphibian that relies on vernal pools to support its life cycle. This 6- to 8-inch-long gray-black amphibian has two rows of yellowish-orange spots that run from the top of the head just behind the eyes to the tip of the tail. The underside is a slate gray color.

Spotted salamanders spend most of their lives in deciduous forests under leaves or in small burrows. They tunnel underground

to hibernate in winter. But on one very special spring evening just after sunset when the temperature and moisture are exactly perfect, hundreds of thousands of them will abruptly migrate to the vernal pools to breed.

If you live or travel about the Lehigh Valley, I am fairly certain that you have heard the mating calls of the spring peepers. Early in spring these chorus frogs gather in large groups in or near vernal pools calling back and forth as the sun begins to set. These elusive nocturnal vocalists, little more than one-inch-long, produce powerful calls. They are usually heard, but not seen — hence, the reason behind the well-attended frog slogs.

The spring peeper and its cousins, the wood frog and the gray tree frog, leave their cozy hibernation areas months before other frog species. They have the unique ability to manufacture extra amounts of glycerol, a chemical that serves as natural antifreeze, thus

preventing the frog's cells from freezing during sub-freezing nights and extended cold periods.

The spring peeper's activity tapers off as fall temperatures begin to drop and its activity slows to the point where it stops eating. Just before its heart and respiration functions drop to hibernation levels, the spring peeper digs down below the eventual frost line to await warmer conditions. When conditions become favorable it returns to the surface.

The spotted salamanders and the spring peepers share the vernal pools with many other vertebrates and invertebrates that depend on the ephemeral water sources for their survival and reproduction.

That's the way I see it!
Email comments and questions to: bbbcole@enter.net. To schedule programs, hikes and birthday parties, call 610-767-4043.

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Saluting people who never give up

There are times when playing a game offers something more than a bit of fun.

Sometimes, how we play a game reveals some character traits.

That was the case recently when our kayak club held its annual poker run.

The day before the game, the club president hid waterproof cases with playing cards in trees and bushes along several waterways, then charted the coordinates on a GPS. On game day, the kayak teams, each with a captain and GPS, were given a copy of the coordinates to use in finding the hidden cards.

Each team had to find five carefully hidden cards then bring the cards back to the picnic area. This year, the president tried to make the cards harder to find. They sure were.

Even after teams used a GPS to find the approximate location, it took some sharp eyes to find the cards tucked away in bushes. It also involved a lot of fast paddling on a sultry day.

Most teams took about two hours to find all five cards and get back to the picnic area where hamburgers on the grill and prizes were waiting.

Long after everyone was back, Jim McKenzie was missing in action. His four tired team members came back without him, saying they were ready to quit without finding all five cards. But Jim refused to give up. An hour later, we were getting worried about him. Yes, he's one of the strongest paddlers in the club, but anything can happen when someone is alone on the water. Just as we were about to send out a search party, Jim appeared with all the cards.

He was so hot and so exhausted by the search that he was too tired to eat.

But his persistence paid off. The last two cards he found were enough to have his team win the game.

Yes, it was only a game. But what struck me is that Jim McKenzie played that game the same way he plays the game of life. He never gives up.

Regardless of what life throws at him, he doesn't complain. He just does what has to be done with pluck and valor.

When life hands out adversity, as it so often does, character often determines how we handle it. Some whine and complain, settling into the role of "victim." Others show the same kind of pluck Jim did when he wouldn't quit the game until he did what was required of him.

Leighton High School has a Winston Churchill quote engraved in tall letters at the entrance of the building: "Never give up. Never, never give up."

I'm often filled with admiration when I see how some persevere through tough times. I've silently applauded the single mother with five children who keeps her sense of humor as she works single-handed-

WARMEST REGARDS

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ly to provide for her family. I know there are often times when she is so overwhelmed that she feels like giving up. She never does.

In much the same manner, I've watched others spend long years caring for an invalid spouse or for aging parents. Anyone who has ever been in that situation knows it often isn't easy. But so many do it with love and with grace. As Dr. Laura Schlessinger says, they "do the right thing" without giving up.

When it comes to not giving up, Ken Ryno is one of the most inspirational people I've ever met. When he was 18, Ken was in a motorcycle accident that left him a quadriplegic. After months of therapy, movement only returned to one arm.

But Ken used that one good arm to keep exercising his other limbs, trying to regain some movement even though doctors said it was impossible.

Days turned into months and months turned into years. Nothing much happened except the Monroe County man didn't give up. He kept pulling on those paralyzed legs, trying to activate his muscles.

Incredibly, he did that for 24 years. Can you imagine never giving up after all those years of no results?

One day a home health care nurse noticed a ripple of movement in Ken's leg. She convinced doctors that he could benefit from more physical therapy.

When Ken was wheeled into a rehab hospital, he vowed he would walk out of there. Months later, through unbelievable resolve and grueling physical work, he did. There wasn't a dry eye in the place.

Hospital workers lined the hallway to salute the man who simply wouldn't give up.

Some said it was a miracle that he regained some movement. Maybe it was. Or, maybe it was the just reward for a man who exemplifies a spirit of perseverance.

Life is still not smooth for Ken. He gets one setback after the other, both physical and financial. But he never gives up.

He often visits rehab hospitals to motivate other patients. His message to them is simple: "Never give up hope. Never give up fighting."

So, here's a salute to all those who play the game of life without giving up.

And here's some quiet applause to those who may bend from their trials and troubles, but they refuse to break.

VALLEY VIVALDI House tour benefits series

A June 19 house and garden tour of 2803 W. Chew St., Allentown, benefits Pennsylvania Sinfonia Orchestra's Valley Vivaldi concert series.

The tour, which includes refreshments, is 1-5 p.m. Chamber music will be played at 2, 3, and 4 p.m. by Valley Vivaldi musicians.

The first Valley Vivaldi concert is at 7:30 p.m. June 27 in Octave Hall, Allen Organ International Sales Headquarters, 3370, Route 100, Macungie.

The program includes "Spring" from Vivaldi's "Four Seasons" and Nabuo Kitagawa, oboe d'amore, playing J.S. Bach's Concerto in A.

Other concerts are June 27, July 18 and Aug. 8, 29.

Ticket information: 610-434-7811

Schedule an exam for temporal arteritis

Q. A doctor told my cousin that she had arthritis in her head. I never heard of such a thing. Have you?

I've never heard of head arthritis, but I don't think that's what the doctor said to your cousin. I'm pretty sure the doctor was talking about temporal arteritis, also known as cranial arteritis and giant cell arteritis.

Arthritis is inflammation of a joint. Arteritis is inflammation of an artery. Temporal arteritis (TA) affects the blood vessels that supply the head, particularly the arteries that branch off from a blood vessel in the neck called the carotid artery.

TA rarely occurs in patients younger than 50. Women develop TA two to three times more frequently than men. The incidence of the condition increases with age. TA occurs more frequently in white patients, especially those with northern European backgrounds.

The cause of TA is not known. Most people make a full recovery from TA,

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but treatment for a year or two may be needed. The condition can return.

Corticosteroids may be prescribed to reduce inflammation. Medications that suppress the immune system are occasionally prescribed. Aspirin may also be recommended. Patients usually start feeling better within days of starting treatment.

Corticosteroids are powerful anti-inflammatory drugs that can lead to serious side effects. Older adults are particularly at risk because they're more prone to conditions that may be caused by corticosteroids, including osteoporosis, high blood pressure, muscle weakness, cataracts, thinning skin and increased bruising.

When undergoing corticosteroid treatment, older patients are monitored for bone density and

blood pressure changes. Doctors may prescribe calcium and vitamin D supplements to help prevent bone loss. Lifestyle changes and medication may be prescribed to control blood pressure.

Polymyalgia rheumatica and temporal arteritis are closely related inflammatory conditions. Polymyalgia rheumatica is a disorder of the elderly characterized by muscular pain and stiffness in the shoulders, neck and pelvic muscles.

Headache affects more than two thirds of patients with TA, with symptoms including excessive sweating, fever, muscle aches, malaise, jaw pain, loss of appetite, scalp tenderness, vision problems, weakness, fatigue, weight loss, coughing, bleeding gums and mouth sores.

The most serious complication of temporal arteritis is irreversible vision loss. Prompt treatment is critical to prevent permanent damage to the eyes.

There are other possible complications. TA doubles your risk of an

aneurysm, a bulge in a weakened blood vessel that can burst. In some cases, a blood clot may form in an affected artery causing a stroke.

TA is diagnosed by assessing symptoms, finding abnormal blood flow and through an Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate (ESR) blood test that measures the rate at which red blood and other cells settle towards the bottom of a tube. A rapid or high rate usually correlates with ongoing inflammation.

A temporal artery biopsy may confirm the diagnosis. The biopsy is taken from a part of the artery located in the hairline, in front of the ear. The biopsy is helpful in most cases, but in some individuals it may be negative or normal, even though the disease is present.

Once a diagnosis of TA has been made, treatment should be started as soon as possible.

Have a question?
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YOUR LEHIGH VALLEY ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

By ALEXANDRA RACINES
Special to The Press

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ALLENTOWN ART MUSEUM
Fifth and Court streets, Allentown. 610-432-4333
In Stitches: Quilts from the Allentown Art Museum Collection, June 20 - Sept. 5, Kress Gallery; Preview party, 6-8 p.m. June 19
Myths, Religion and Ritual: Indian Art from the Koblenzer Collection, June 20 - Sept. 5, Rodale Gallery; Preview party, 6-8 p.m. June 19
Sew Beyond Tradition, June 20 - Sept. 5, Interactive Family Gallery
Arventures, 1 - 4 p.m. Sundays: Art Project, Perspective; Featured artwork: Giovanni Antonio Canal, The Piazzetta in Venice, through June, Crayola Learning Center
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5 N. Front St., Allentown. 610-432-4200
Pure Muscle - Fast, Fun and Furious, through Nov. 30: Vehicles that represented the turbulent 1960s; Reception, 6-9 p.m. June 18
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1418 Main St., Hellertown. 610-216-0566
Karen Keim: Paintings, through June 25
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Young Artists' Annual Exhibition, through July 26
William Christine: Landscape Journey, through July 4
BAUM SCHOOL OF ART
510 Linden St., Allentown. 610-433-0032
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John Stinger, through June
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427 New St., Bethlehem. 610-868-6868
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Outsider Art, through June 19, Dubois Gallery, Maginnes Hall; Howard Finster, Charley Kinney, Echo McCallister, Purvis Young
Margaret Bourke-White: Insect Studies; Lewis Baltz: San Quentin Point Portfolio, through June 19, The Gallery at Rauch Business Center, 621 Taylor St., Bethlehem. 610-758-3615
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The Civil War: America at the Crossroads, through July 11
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LUTHER CREST RETIREMENT COMMUNITY
800 Hausman Road, South Whitehall Township. 710-391-8202
Parkland Art League Exhibit: Lee Everett, Mary Ellen Stoyanov, through June 30
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Art as a Way of Learning, through July 22
TOUCHSTONE THEATRE GALLERY
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Pantheon of Rock, through July 15: Tim Davies, Marie Guglielmo, Erin Zeller
WESTMINSTER VILLAGE
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Mary Ann Krutsick, through July 1
CINEMA
CIVIC THEATRE OF ALLENTOWN
19th Street Theatre, 527 N. 19th St., Allentown. 610-432-0888
"City Island," 7:30 p.m. June 16 - 17
HELLERTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY
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Family Movie Night, 6 p.m. June 23
ROSE GARDEN
Eighth Avenue and Union Boulevard, Bethlehem. 610-865-7081
"Imagine That," 6 p.m. June 26
STATE THEATRE CENTER
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"Most Valuable Players," 7:30 p.m. June 17
CONCERTS
ALLENTOWN FAIRGROUNDS
Agri-Plex, 302 N. 17th St., Allentown. 610-433-7541
Artimus Pyle, Black Foot, 8:30 p.m. June 26
ALLENTOWN SYMPHONY HALL
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Shelly Clark and Friends, 7:30 p.m. June 18, Rodale Community Room
Copeland String Quartet, 11 a.m., brunch; 11:30 a.m., concert
ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1533 Springhouse Road, Allentown. 610-398-2577
Summer Harmony, 6 p.m. June 25
Al Paul, 11 a.m. June 26
BETHLEHEM SCULPTURE GARDEN
Church Street, Bethlehem
The Subtle Experience, 6 p.m. June 18
The Large Flowerheads, 6 p.m. June 25
CATASAUQUA MUNICIPAL PARK
501 American St., Catasauqua
Lehigh River Blues Jam, 6 - 10 p.m. June 18; 2 - 10 p.m. June 19; 1 - 7 p.m. June 20

CEDARBROOK NURSING HOME
724 Delaware Avenue, Fountain Hill. 610-709-8727
Recordante Recorder Choir, 2:30 p.m. June 26
DIERUFF HIGH SCHOOL
Allentown School District Planetarium, 815 N. Irving St., Allentown. 610-972-4549
The Gabriel Chamber Ensemble, June 18
EVERGREEN CLUB
Summer Oktoberfest, 415 Hartz Road, Fleetwood. 610-944-7501
Joe Kroboth, 7 p.m. June 18
Stanky and The Coal Miners, 7 p.m. June 25
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Tilghman Street and Cedar Crest Boulevard, Allentown
Marine Band of Allentown, 7 p.m. June 26
GODFREY DANIELS
7 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem. 610-867-2390
Kathy Long, 7 p.m. June 16
Frank DiBussolo, John Stowell, 8 p.m. June 17
Ray Adkins, 8 p.m. June 18
Angel Band, 8 p.m. June 19
Open Mike, 7 p.m. June 20: Sharon Abbott
Blues Jam, 8 p.m. June 23. Free
The Magnolia Sisters, 8 p.m. June 24
Songwriters Workshop, 8 p.m. June 29
MAIN STREET BETHLEHEM
Main St., Bethlehem
Lehigh Valley Italian-American Band, 1:30 p.m. June 26
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
MUSIC IN THE PARKS
Alburtis Park, 328 Main St. Alburtis
JW and The Buicks, Teachers Pet, noon June 19
Midnight Special, Majestics, noon June 20
Aces and Eights, noon June 26
Emmaus Community Park, Shimerville Road, Emmaus
Macungie Band, 6 p.m. June 20
PPL Plaza, Ninth and Hamilton streets, Allentown
Donovan Roberts, 11:45 p.m. June 17
Rose Garden, Eighth Avenue and Union Boulevard, Bethlehem. 610-865-7081
Municipal Band of Allentown, 7:30 p.m. June 18
Bethlehem Municipal Band, 7:30 p.m. June 20, 25
PENN'S PEAK
325 Maury Road, Jim Thorpe. 866-605-7325
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April Wine, Winger, 7:30 p.m. June 18

Ted Nugent, Val Halla, 8 p.m. June 24
Further: Phil Lesh, Bob Weir, 7 p.m. June 29. Sold Out
Aaron Lewis of Staind, 8 p.m. July 8
Herman's Hermits, 8 p.m. July 9
Cinderella, Lynam, 8 p.m. July 13
The B-52s, Supercluster, 8 p.m. July 15
Old Crow Medicine Show, 8 p.m. July 22
Sammy Kershaw, 8 p.m. July 23
Peter Frampton, 8 p.m. July 27
Bachman and Turner, Lukas Nelson and The Promise of the Real, 8 p.m. July 29
Skid Row, Firehouse, 8 p.m. July 30
Little Feat, 8 p.m. July 31
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Tap Dance, 9 a.m. Mondays, through June 28
Line Dance, 10 a.m., 1:45 p.m. Mondays through June 28; 10 a.m. Saturdays, through June 26
Cardio Dance with Salsa Flair, 10 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays, through June 24
UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
424 Center St., Bethlehem. 610-868-7432
Local All-Stars Contra Dance, 7 p.m. June 26
EVENTS
VALLEY VIVALDI
Pennsylvania Sinfonia House and Garden Tour, 1 - 5 p.m. June 19, 2803 Chew St., Allentown
ALLENTOWN FAIRGROUNDS
Agri-Plex, 302 N. 17th St., Allentown. 610-433-7541
CFA Cat Show, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. June 19
BETHLEHEM GARDEN CLUB
Bethlehem Garden Club Garden Tour, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. June 19, 450 E. Goepf St., 136 Madison Avenue, 1734 Sycamore St., 3734 Christian Spring Road, 2920 Center St., 220 W. Langhorne Avenue, 1814 Eastman Road, 1842 Kenmore Avenue, all Bethlehem
DOWNTOWN BETHLEHEM
ArtWalk, 4 - 9 p.m. June 26
MEMORIAL PARK
Route 100, Macungie
Antique Truck Club of America National Show, Flea Market, June 18, 19, 20

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THEATER REVIEW

'Seven' reasons to see Pines' musical

By DIANE BAKOS
Special to The Press

If you like a good musical, enjoy laughing out loud, and like to do both on a happy, full stomach ... then get yourself over to the Pines Dinner Theatre in Allentown by Aug. 22 for "Seven Brides For Seven Brothers."

This production is charming. And it's fun with a capital "F."

Stars Gene Connelly as Adam and Katie Wilson as Millie have strong stage presences and voices to match. They are parental figures to an unruly mob and they carry off the roles well. Their brief moments alone are particularly endearing, as at their first meeting and in the bedroom scene where Adam nearly ends up sleeping in a window casing.

The seven brothers are terrifically uncouth and yet irresistibly adorable, while their brides are like

a frothy, refreshing summer drink.

Certain characters catch your eye, as they are wont to do. Greta Kleckner as Dorcas and Amber Kerestes as Sarah (and doubling as choreographer) are natural comedienne. Marc Bitler's Caleb is wonderfully dynamic. You can't help but feel the pain of Jeffrey Mindock's Frank every time he's called by his given name, Frankincense.

But choosing a favorite: impossible. Each character is so personable in his or her own right that no one fades into the background.

Fitting (at my count) 18 of those characters onstage for Act One's "Social Dance" requires a mastery of small spaces and a nimbleness to be admired. The back and forth of the townsmen trying to keep "their women" from dancing with "those mountain

boys" is like watching sleight-of-hand tricks and being happily surprised each time you're fooled.

The reprise of "A Woman Ought To Know Her Place," sung as brother Gideon (Thomas Gustavino) confronts his elder, Adam, stands out for the palpable tension between the two brothers.

But no scene is more entertaining overall than the big chase in the second act, as the brothers attempt to recapture and return the women they've "stolen" from the town and the ladies use every avenue in the theater to escape their clutches. It's Keystone Cops on an Oregon mountainside and it's more fun than a barrel of monkeys (shaken, not stirred).

Kudos to director Oliver Blatt for excellent casting and staging, as well as to Stacy Bechtel on keyboards and Ben Johnson on drums for their accompaniment to the produc-

tion.

The set effectively conveys the feeling of being at a cabin in the woods, peaceful and rustic. Costumer Carline Blatt found the perfect complement between the demure pastels of the women's dresses and the bold rainbow colors the brothers wear.

While many a dinner theater places far more emphasis on the production than the food, chef William Zettlemyer serves up a right tasty meal. Once I commented on the tenderness of my chicken, it quickly began disappearing under the forks of the other diners at the table.

You will be hard pressed to find a more enjoyable, entertaining way to spend an evening than at this production. A bonus: The cast remains in costume to mix with the audience and sign autographs immediately after the last curtain call.

The 'Kid's a winner

"The Karate Kid" is emotionally-charged melodrama with a winning performance by Jaden Smith and a performance by Jackie Chan that should please fans.

The movie is not so much a remake of the John G. Avildsen ("Rocky") directed 1984 movie and 1986 and 1989 sequels starring Ralph Macchio as the "kid" and Noriyuki "Pat" Morita (who died in 2005) as his mentor, as a new take on the theme of martial arts, or any sports activity, for that matter, in teaching respect, discipline, dedication, the work ethic and moral values.

By the way, "The Next Karate Kid" (1994) starred Morita and Hilary Swank as his student.

Dre Parker (Smith) moves with his widowed mother, Sherry (Taraji P. Henson) from Detroit to China, where she was transferred to work at an automobile plant. Dre is beat up by Cheng (Zhenwei Wang), one of the bullies at a playground, after he befriends a female student and violin prodigy Meiying (Wenwen Han).

Dre's life at school is intolerable until he's saved from another beating by the apartment building maintenance man, Mr. Han (Jackie Chan), a martial arts expert.

The two confront the tough youths' martial arts master, Master Li (Rongguang Yu), whose ominous motto is "no weakness, no pain, no mercy." He orders his apprentices not to bother Dre — if he agrees to enter a martial arts tournament. Thus is set up the student-mentor relationship between Mr. Han and Dre, leading to the climactic tournament. Call it "Rocky Jr." Perhaps more accurately, the title of the international release version is "The Kung Fu Kid."

Smith has his father, Will Smith's impish facial expressions and his mother Jada Pinkett Smith's small stature. He's only 11, so he may yet grow to his dad's stature. At any rate, he cultivates a swagger and disdainful attitude for the role.

Smith is a good little actor, who starred opposite his dad in "The Pursuit of Happyness." His parents were smart to produce their son's first starring-role movie.

Chan is muted and excellent, almost unrecognizable from the smiling and energetic visage we're accustomed to. Here, he shuffles with bowed-legged gait and has a mournful, sad look most of the time.

Harald Zwart ("The Pink Panther 2," "Agent Cody Banks," "One Night at McCool's") directs the screenplay by Christopher Murphey based on a story and original characters by Robert Mark Kamen.

The dialogue is nondescript, with a few exceptions, including this observation by Mr. Han of Dre: "You think only with your eyes, so you are easy to fool." and his admonition to him: "Your focus needs more focus."

There are lots of nice visual touches, thanks to director of photography Roger Pratt ("Harry Potter"), who captures the graceful beauty and clamorous congestion of modern China. There's Dre's doorsill marking of important events. A shadow-puppet play foreshadows Mr.

MOVIE REVIEW

By Paul Willistein



Han's teaching of Dre. The martial arts sequences are terrific, convincing, and seemingly physically-bruising.

"The Karate Kid" plays a little long. A music video style montage of Meiying and Dre could have been dropped, as could a dance sequence to Lady Gaga's "Pokerface." Some of Dre's instruction by Mr. Han could have been shortened.

"The Karate Kid," MPAA Rated PG (Parental Guidance Suggested. Some material may not be suitable for children) for bullying, martial arts action violence and some mild language; Genre: Action, Drama, Family, Sports; Run time: 2 hrs., 11 min.; Distributed by Columbia Pictures

Credit Readers Anonymous: Jaden Smith duets with Justin Bieber on "Never Back Down" during "The Karate Kid" closing credits, which includes candid still photographs from the film set.

Box Office, June 11: "The Karate Kid" opened at No. 1 with a chop-socky \$56 million, taking "The A-Team," which became the "B Team," to the mat, opening at No. 2, with a less than stellar \$26 million.

3. "Shrek Forever After" lost its three-week stay at No. 1, \$15.8 million, \$210 million, four weeks; 4. "Get Him to the Greek," \$10.1 million, \$36.5 million, two weeks; 5. "Killers," \$8.1 million, \$30.6 million, two weeks; 6. "Prince of Persia: The Sands of Time," \$6.6 million, \$72.3 million, three weeks; 7. "Marmaduke," \$6 million, \$22.2 million, two weeks; 8. "Sex and the City 2," \$5.5 million, \$84.7 million, three weeks; 9. "Iron Man 2," \$4.5 million, \$299.3 million, six weeks; 10. "Splice," \$2.8 million, \$13 million, two weeks

Unrel, June 18:

"Toy Story 3," MPAA Rated G: Grab those 3-D glasses, sit back and enjoy what will be another classic. Screenwriter Michael Arndt ("Little Miss Sunshine") takes a sentimental look at Woody (Tom Hanks), Buzz (Tim Allen) and the rest of gang from the toy box when they're donated to a day-care center after Andy departs for college. All together now: sing a chorus from "Puff the Magic Dragon."

"Jonah Hex," No MPAA Rating at deadline: The science-fiction thriller based on the "Weird Western Tales" comic book stars Josh Brolin as a bounty hunter tracking down a terrorist (John Malkovich). Megan Fox, as Lilah, might hope the franchise takes off now that she's lost her "Transformers" ride.

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"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," previews June 23, 24, opens June 25, continues through July 11, Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival, Main Stage, Labuda Center for The Arts, DeSales University, Center Valley. 610-282-WILL

"El Coqui and Other Puer to Rican Tales," 3 p.m. June 19, bilingual play, Allentown Public Theatre, Allentown Arts Park. Fifth Street, between Hamilton and Linden streets, Allentown. Part of Allentown Freak Out: A Fringe Festival of the Arts

"Robin Hood," through Aug. 7, Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival, Schubert Theatre, Labuda Center for The Arts, DeSales University, Center Valley. 610-282-WILL

"Seven Brides for Seven Brothers," through Aug. 22, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Sunday (Dinner, 12:30 p.m.; Show, 2 p.m.); Friday, Saturday (Dinner, 6:30 p.m.; Show, 8 p.m.), Pines Dinner Theatre, 448 N. 17th St. (MainGate Fairgrounds complex, 17th and Liberty streets), Allentown. 610-433-2333

"State of the Union," through June 20, 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday, Crowded Kitchen Players, McCool's Arts & Events Place, 10 S. Main St. Quakertown. 610-395-7176

"The Mikado," June 16 - July 3, Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre, Empie The-

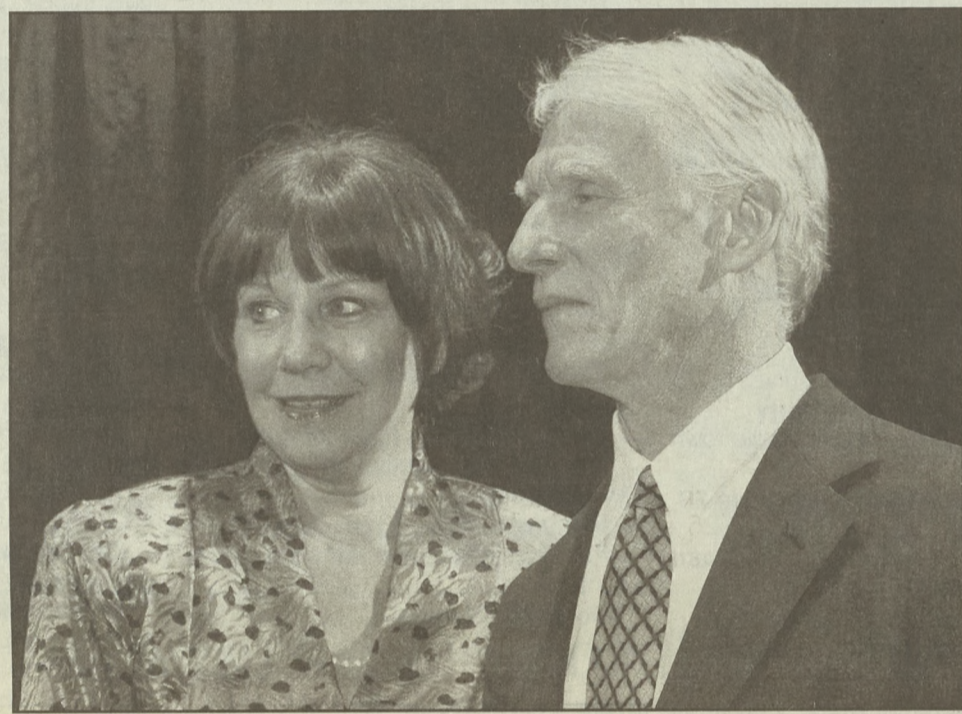


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Pamela Wallace (Mary), left, and David Oswald (Grant), right, in The Crowded Kitchen Players' "State of the Union," through June 20.

atre, Baker Center for the Arts, Muhlenberg College, 2400 Chew St., Allentown. 484-664-3333

"Schoolhouse Rock Live!," June 23 - July 30, Muhlenberg Summer Music Theatre, Empie Theatre, Baker Center for the Arts, Muhlenberg College, 2400 Chew St., Allentown. 484-664-3333

The Associated Mess, 9 p.m. June 19, Allentown Brew Works' Silk Lounge (part of Allentown Freak Out); 8

p.m. June 22, Allentown Brew Works' High Gravity Lounge; Time TBA June 24, Allentown's Party on the Deck; 8 p.m. June 26, The Garfield Hotel, Northampton; 8 p.m. June 27, Civic Theatre of Allentown Theatre514

"The Playboy of the Western World," previews June 16, 17; opens June 18, through July 3, Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival, Schubert Theatre, Labuda Center for The Arts, DeSales Univer-

sity, Center Valley. 610-282-WILL

"The Screwtape Letters," 7:30 p.m. June 28, Anthony Lawton one-man show, Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival, Main Stage, Labuda Center for The Arts, DeSales University, Center Valley. 610-282-WILL

"The Tempest," 8:30 p.m. June 24 - 27, Touchstone Theatre at Abbey Hill Theatre, 225 Porter St., Easton 610-867-1689

MUSIKFEST
Three bands
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Winners of Musikfest's "Amped Up" online band

competition The Hide and Seek Effect, Panic Years and The Atomic Square will each receive \$500 and perform Aug. 9 at Musikfest's The Morning Call Plaza Tropical.

The Hide and Seek Effect, a piano pop-rock group from Morgantown, W. Va., recently released its first EP, "Ready or Not."

Panic Years, a guitar-driven rock band from Philadelphia, has a new EP, "Finally, Today is

Tomorrow."

The Atomic Square is an indie and experimental rock band based in the southern New Jersey-Philadelphia region.

Musikfest is Aug. 6-15 in downtown Bethlehem.

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LV visitors' bureau discovers new name, logo, web site

Lehigh Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau, the designated tourist promotion agency of Lehigh and Northampton counties, has changed its name to Discover Lehigh Valley and has unveiled a new logo to symbolize the diverse, active and exciting opportunities that exist in the region for visitors.

"Discover Lehigh Valley presents us in a manner that better reflects the way Lehigh Valley has evolved and grown up over the past 25 years," said Michael Stershic, president, Discover Lehigh Valley. "With every mention of our

name, we are inviting people to come to Lehigh Valley and discover the wealth of attractions and destinations we have to offer."

Discover Lehigh Valley's new logo is a take off of the "Play" button, encompassing a triangular arrow within a circular button. This symbol suggests motion, play and action. The graphic points to the word "discover," urging visitors to explore the abundance of attractions Lehigh Valley has to offer. The logo's sans serif typeface is designed to be contemporary, yet timeless.

"We needed a brand that

sounds and looks less like a bureau and more like an organization that's progressive, passionate and proud of our region," said Stershic.

A revamped website will be launched at DiscoverLehighValley.com.

Discover Lehigh Valley, created in 1984, is a business membership-based organization composed of 482 members. Discover Lehigh Valley estimates regional tourism generates \$1.2 billion in annual revenue and accounts for more than 26,000 jobs.

American launches flights between LVIA and Chicago

American Eagle Airlines, the regional affiliate of American Airlines, has launched nonstop jet service between Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD) and Lehigh Valley International Airport (ABE), Hanover Township, as well as Wilkes-Barre-Scranton International Airport (AVP), Avoca.

Eagle will operate the new service with 44- and 50-seat Embraer jets.

"We're delighted to celebrate this new service from Chicago," said Gary Foss, Vice President - Planning and Marketing, AA Regional Network.

"Customers can now enjoy convenient connec-

tions on American Eagle to destinations throughout the American Airlines global network," said David C. Haines, Chairman for the Lehigh-Northampton Airport Authority Board of Governors.

The schedule of flights between Allentown and Chicago O'Hare (all times local) is:

Allentown to Chicago O'Hare (ABE-ORD) 4085 — 12:40 p.m., 1:50 p.m. daily
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Donley honored for advocacy of early learning initiatives

The Pennsylvania Early Learning Investment Commission has awarded its first Champion for Children award to Edward Donley, former Chairman of Air Products.

"Mr. Donley has been lending his voice and expertise to improving the lives of children through education at the national, state and local level for more than 20 years," said Pete Danchak, President of PNC Bank - Northeast Region, and co-chair of the Pennsylvania Early Learning Investment Commission, as he presented the award to Donley at the commission's April 19 Economic Summit in Harrisburg.

While accepting the award, Donley, 88, shared some inspiration. "I go through times when I think we are failing our children, but when I look around this room, my spirit is exhilarated and I have confidence in the future," Donley said.

Donley, with Air Products for nearly 50 years with Air Products, first



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Edward Donley, right, former Air Products chairman, was honored for education advocacy.

as manager, then president, and chairman, has served as a member of the Pennsylvania State Board of Education, Lehigh Valley Economic Development Corporation, Community Services for Children, founding member of the Lehigh Valley Business-Education Partnership (chair-

man 1989 - 1992) and the U.S. Chamber's Center for Workforce Preparation and Quality Education (chairman 1989 - 1993).

He is also chairman emeritus of the board of members at Lawrence Technological University and an emeritus trustee of Carnegie Mellon University.

Knee specialist Meade joins Coordinated Health facilities

Thomas D. Meade, M.D., a nationally-renowned knee specialist who has performed more than 15,000 knee procedures in his career, has joined Coordinated Health. Dr. Meade is seeing patients at Coordinated Health facilities in Allentown, Bethlehem, Brodheadsville and Hazleton.

"Coordinated Health's integrated delivery system is popular among both patients and providers, and as a result, they lead the region in patient experience while managing quality and cost of services," said Meade.

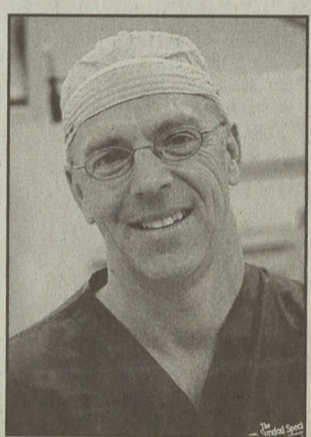
"We are excited about the surgical expertise and energy Dr. Meade brings to Coordinated Health," said Emil J. Dilorio, M.D., founder and medical director at Coordinated Health. "With his addition, we look forward to serving even more fami-

lies, athletes and businesses in the greater Lehigh Valley."

Meade limits his practice to knee surgery, treating both sports injuries and joint replacements.

Meade serves as a consultant-designer to orthopedic implant companies and has developed knee instrumentation, industry changing surgical techniques, pioneered clavicle surgery in the Lehigh Valley and invented a clavicle plate to treat athletes with clavicle fractures - the only non-knee surgery he performs.

He has held academic positions at Thomas Jefferson University, The Pennsylvania State University and Lehigh Valley Hospital. Meade is a training camp consultant to the Philadelphia Eagles and Valley Preferred Cycling Center. He is the host of two television programs: "Real Life in the



Dr. Thomas D. Meade OR" and "Inside Medicine with Dr. Tom Meade."

Coordinated Health is a regional healthcare network with an emphasis on musculoskeletal care. It encompasses physician specialists, physical therapists, in-patient and out-patient surgical care, imaging centers and rehabilitation services.

Clothes washers, blinds listed

The following recalls were issued June 6 to June 10 by federal and state agencies:

Washers: GE Appliances & Lighting is recalling GE Front-Load Washing Machines sold December 2006 - May 2010. A wire can break in the machine and make contact with a metal part on the washtub while the machine is operating, posing fire and shock hazards. This recall involves GE front-load washing machines without auxiliary water heating. The model and serial numbers are located on the bottom right side and on the bottom door frame of the washers. Consumers should contact GE, www.geappliances.com, 888-345-4124, for a free repair.

Blinds: IKEA Home Furnishings is recalling Roller, Roman and Roll-Up blinds sold at IKEA stores January 1998 - June 2009. Strangulations can occur if the blind's looped bead chain is not attached to the wall or the floor with the tension device provided and a child's neck becomes entangled in the free-standing loop. This recall involves roller blinds that do not have a tension device attached to the bead chain, all Roman blinds and all roll-up blinds. Consumers should return the blinds to any IKEA store

CONSUMER RECALLS

for a full refund. Consumers can also contact IKEA, www.ikea-usa.com, 888-966-4532.

Electric Scissors: Prym Consumer USA is recalling Dritz Quick Cut™ Electric Scissors sold September 2009 - February 2010. The electric scissors can overheat, posing fire and burn hazards. The electric scissors are white and blue, about 10-inches-long and include an AC adaptor. "Dritz" is written on the handle on the blue grip. Consumers should return the scissors to store where purchased. Consumers can also contact Prym Consumer USA, www.prym-consumer-usa.com, 800-255-7796.

Bead Toys: Rhino Toys Inc. is recalling Beado handheld bead play toys sold March - May 2010. The toys' plastic wires can detach from the hubs because of insufficient adhesive, allowing the beads to slide off. The loose beads pose a choking hazard. This recall involves the Beado hand-held bead play toy with model number 1501 and date code 02910 04323A. The product

measures six inches in diameter and is composed of four blue plastic "hubs", six white plastic "wires" and 12 multi-colored beads that slide along the wires. The model number and date code are printed on the bottom of the packaging and the date code is also inside of the blue hubs. Consumers should return the toy to the store where it was purchased to receive a full refund. Consumers can also contact Rhino Toys, www.rhinotoys.com, 877-887-4433.

Youth Beds: Bayside Furnishings is recalling "Pirates of the Caribbean" Twin Trundle Beds sold at Costco January 2006 - January 2010. The headboard has a storage bin that poses an entrapment hazard. This recall involves the Bayside youth bed: the Pirates of the Caribbean Twin Trundle Bed. The "Pirates of the Caribbean" trademark is embossed on a metal plate inside the headboard. The name and address of the manufacturer, model number, manufacture date and "Made in China" is printed on a label affixed to the inside of the mattress frame side rails. Consumers should contact Bayside, www.baysidefurnishings.com, to receive a free repair kit.

For more information: www.recalls.org

Lafayette Ambassador names manager as vice president

Lafayette Ambassador Bank Chairman, President and CEO Gerry A. Nau has announced that Chad L. Palank has been promoted to Vice President.

Palank will continue as Branch Manager for the bank's Palmer Township office.

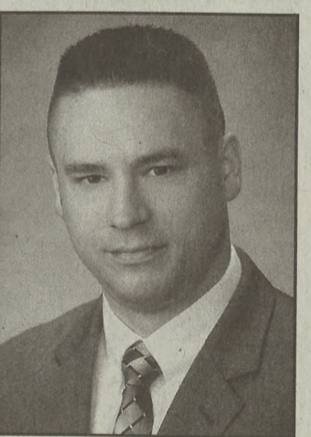
He joined the bank and became a Branch Manager in 2006 and was named Assistant Vice President in 2007.

Palank received a BA

and Masters in Business Management from DeSales University. Palank attained a Commercial Lending Degree from American Institute of Banking.

He is on the board of directors for Palmer Township Business, Industrial and Professional Association and chairs the Audit and Pride in Palmer Committees.

He also is on Lafayette Ambassador Bank's United Way Committee.



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Old Zionsville members celebrate anniversary



These folks enjoy a breakfast of sausage, eggs, pancakes, coffee or tea, orange juice and dessert at Old Zionsville UCC Church in Macungie April 25 to benefit the 100th anniversary of the church's stone building.

Pastor Jerry Smith puts eggs he just fried on a plate and Robert Schmeltz Jr. is ready to add the pancakes, before the last item of sausage is added. The breakfast was held April 25 at Old Zionsville UCC Church in Macungie.

PRESS PHOTOS BY LORETTA FENSTERMACHER

PUBLIC NOTICE
AUDIT NOTICE
Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania
Year Ended December 31, 2009

Table showing financial data for Lower Macungie Township, including Revenues, Expenses, Assets, and Liabilities and net assets.

PUBLIC NOTICE
COPLAY-WHITEHALL SEWER AUTHORITY
WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
December 31, 2009

Table showing financial data for Coplay-Whitehall Sewer Authority, including Current Assets, Restricted Assets, Capital Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets, and Net Assets.

Statement of indebtedness:
General Obligation Bonds and Notes,
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\$ 5,890,082

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
Year Ended December 31, 2009

Table showing operating revenues, operating expenses, nonoperating revenue, and net assets for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Published in accordance with First Class Township Code, Section 1003. The annual audit and financial report for the Township is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building during normal business hours and on the Township website, www.lowermac.com. June 16

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF EL-FRIEDE B. FISCHL, deceased, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania...

PUBLIC NOTICE
BOROUGH OF CATASAUQUA
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MEETING
The Civil Service Commission of the Borough of Catasauqua will hold a meeting:

PUBLIC NOTICE
Meeting Notice
The Northwestern Lehigh Emergency Services Steering Committee has scheduled the following meetings to be held at the Heidelberg Township Municipal Building...

The complete copy of the Authority's financial statement, with all required disclosures, is available for review at the Authority's office during normal business hours.

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF EDWIN R. KLEIBSCHEIDEL, deceased, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania...

PUBLIC NOTICE
BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA
Notice is hereby given that the Borough of Emmaus Building Board of Appeals will meet on Thursday, June 17, 2010 at 4:30 P.M. in Borough Council Chambers...

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the Lower Macungie Township Board of Commissioners will consider for possible adoption an Ordinance amending the Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance...

PUBLIC NOTICE
FOREIGN WITHDRAWAL
Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 4129 of the Business Corporation Law of 1988, APCI Ref-Fuel Company, a corporation of the State of Delaware...

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF EDWIN R. KLEIBSCHEIDEL, deceased, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania...

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF PAULINE F. TOTH a/k/a POLLY F. TOTH, deceased, late of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania...

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Lower Macungie Township Municipal Building is accessible to the physically handicapped. Any person that requires special assistance to understand the nature of the business conducted at the above hearing because of visual, hearing, or other impairment is requested to contact Bruce Fosselman, Township Manager...

PUBLIC NOTICE
ZONING HEARING BOARD AGENDA
Notice is hereby given that the Borough of Emmaus Zoning Hearing Board will meet on Thursday, June 24, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in Borough Council Chambers, 28 South Fourth St., Emmaus, PA, to hear the following appeals:

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE OF MARY ELLEN KOCH, deceased, late of Slatington, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania...

PUBLIC NOTICE
ORDINANCE NO. 1071
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 18, SECTION 101 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES DEALING WITH LATERAL SEWER SYSTEM MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES

Request for Bids
The Borough Council of the Borough of Freemansburg will receive sealed bids at the Municipal Building, 600 Monroe Street, Freemansburg, Pennsylvania on or before:

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the Lower Macungie Township Board of Commissioners will consider for possible adoption an Ordinance amending the Township Zoning Ordinance entitled Zoning Ordinance/Map Amendment...

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Northwestern Recreation Commission is accepting sealed bids for premium grade infield mix for seven baseball fields located at Northwest Road and Route 309 in New Tripoli, PA...

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Upper Macungie Township Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, June 23, 2010, at 6:30 P.M., at the Township Building, 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville (one mile west of Route 100), to hear the following appeals:

Proposals must be submitted on forms prepared by the Borough Manager and must be sealed in an envelope identified with the bidder's name and plainly marked, "PROPOSAL FOR THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF REFUSE." Proposals must be directed to the Borough Manager, Borough of Freemansburg Municipal Building, 600 Monroe Street, Freemansburg, PA 18017.

APPEAL 10381 - DAVID MAYI JR., 203 NORTHVIEW CIRCLE, EAST STROUDSBURG, PA 18302 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 302 MAIN ST., EMMMAUS, PA 18049. Applicant is proposing to operate a Private Members Only Club from the property located at 302 Main St., Emmaus, PA 18049. Applicant is requesting an interpretation to Z.O. Section 105.2-uses not specifically regulated. Site is located in a B-C zoning district.

APPEAL 10384 - PATRICK SHUHLER, 5114 MEADOW LN., MACUNGIE, PA 18062 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED BETWEEN 112 MAIN ST. AND 106 MAIN STREET, EMMMAUS, PA 18049. Applicant has paved an approximate 12'x121' private alley along the east side of his property located at 112 Main St., Emmaus, PA 18049. Applicant is requesting an interpretation and/or a variance to Z.O. Sections 102.1, 102.3, and 603.5.A. Site is located in a B-L and B-C zoning district.

APPEAL 10385 - WILLIAM STOUTD, 822 RIDGE ST., EMMMAUS, PA 18049. Applicant is proposing to construct a 16'x30' garage addition on his property located at 822 Ridge St., Emmaus, PA 18049. Applicant is requesting a 200 sq. ft. area variance to Z.O. Section 403.4J93(a). Site is located in a R-M zoning district.

APPEAL 10386 - JOAN CRANE, 12 JENNIE ST., EMMMAUS, PA 18049 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED BETWEEN 112 MAIN ST., REAR AND 106 MAIN ST., EMMMAUS, PA 18049. Applicant has paved an approximately 12'x53' private alley along the east side of her property at 112 Main St., Rear, Emmaus, PA 18049. Applicant is requesting an interpretation and/or variance to Z.O. Sections 102.1, 102.3 and 603.5.A. Site is located in a B-L and B-C zoning district.

APPEAL 10387 - DANIEL HOWERTER, 436 N. 3rd ST., EMMMAUS, PA 18049. Applicant is proposing to sub-divide his property located at 436 N. 3rd St., Emmaus, PA 18049. Applicant is requesting a ten (10') foot lot width variance to Z.O. Part 9, for lots #1 and 2 and a 1.5' side yard setback variance to Z.O. Section 803.1.E.(6) for the existing patio. Site is located in a R-M zoning district. James L. Farnsworth, Zoning Officer June 9, 16

**CARPENTER CUP
BASEBALL**

Valley team ready to go

By PETER CAR
pcar@tnonline.com

Ted Plessl has witnessed numerous runs by the Lehigh Valley Carpenter Cup team during their 17-year history in the tournament, and this week will be a new chapter in their history book.

Plessl and the rest of the Lehigh Valley's elite high school baseball players will take their stab at the coveted tournament title when they open up with Chester County on Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. at Ashburn Field at FDR Park.

Plessl has been managing the Lehigh Valley team since 1998 and knows that this single-game elimination tournament is all about giving your best.

"We just tell the kids to play aggressive and push the envelope," he said. "Whether it's on the base paths or with pitches, you have to be aggressive at this tournament because every team is good."

Plessl acknowledged that the Lehigh Valley squad, which is represented by 25 players from 15 different high schools this year, is one of the annually feared opponents in the tournament.

The team won the title in '98 and '01 and also made a finals appearance in 2008. Over the last 13 years, the LV squad has only lost two of their opening round contests. Chester County is also one of the traditional powers of the tournament, which should make for a scintillating first-round match-up.

"We know that our first game is going to be tough," said Plessl about Chester County, who the Lehigh Valley is 1-1 against all-time. "We'll

just have to see how things go."

Whitehall's Pat Bet will start on the mound on Wednesday, but Plessl has the disposal of Nazareth's Karl Keglovits and Parkland's Casey Cooperman as other aces on the staff, as all three pitchers return from last year's team. The strong trio of pitchers that Plessl has should bode well for the Lehigh Valley's advancement to Friday's second round.

Bethlehem Catholic's Matt Bahnick (SS), Pat Walshe (1B/OF) and Alex Longenecker (2B) are on the squad. Liberty pitcher Matt Albright and first baseman Tyler Brong join their Bethlehem counterparts on the team.

No matter who is on the squad, the expectations are always the same for Plessl and his staff.

"Bottom line is that we expect to play four games," he said in reference to reaching the final contest at Citizens Bank Park. "We go with the mentality that we're going to win the championship."

2010 Lehigh Valley Roster
Andy Brandsetter, OF, Park.
Matt Bahnick, SS, Beca.
D.C. Castillo, OF/DH, Parkland.
Drew Hercik, 3B, Nazareth.
Joe Abeln, C, Parkland.
Justin Pacchioli, C, Easton.
Ryuta Amaike, SS, Whitehall.
Casey Cooperman, P, Park.
Matt Albright, P, Liberty.
Joey Seremula, P, No Lehigh.
Pat Bet, P, Whitehall.
Jordan Smith, P, Nazareth.
Kevin Nemeth, 3B, Easton.
Derrick Walling, OF, Pleasant Vy.
Ryan Palsgrove, OF, Tamaqua.
James Hartman, P, Eastbg S.
Karl Keglovits, P, Nazareth.
Alex Longenecker, 2B, Beca.
Mike Streisel, 1B, Tamaqua.
Pat Walshe, 1B/OF, Beca.
D.J. King, 1B/DH, Nazareth.
Drew Borger, 2B, Pleasant Vy.
Tyler Brong, 1B, Liberty.
Robert Bennie, OF, Strouds.
Matt Bonshak, OF, Whitehall.



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Legion Baseball

Bethlehem Wanderers' Pat Devine throws to first but is late for a double play during a game last week against East Stroudsburg. Wanderers sits at 3-2-1 so far this season, just one point behind Lehigh-West Bethlehem in the South Division in NORCO Legion.

LEGION BASEBALL

LWB coming together

by PETER CAR
pcar@tnonline.com

It may have taken Lehigh West Bethlehem time to catch their groove, but Dave Gotzon's club looks primed for a second half run in the NORCO season.

After a 1-3 start, LWB have won three straight and are finally putting all the pieces together on their season.

"We're feeling confident right now," said Gotzon. "We're playing together as a team and we've finally got our whole team together now too. We were missing guys early on, but now that we're all together, we feel like we can do some good things going forward."

Gotzon's team should find themselves in the mix of every contest, as their

five pitchers can rival anyone's best in NORCO this summer.

Starting with Liberty ace, Gotzon's son Colin, along with fellow Hurricanes Matt Albright, Edwin Arcelay and Ramfis Rodriguez, Gotzon is confident in his staff. LWB also added the services of Saucon Valley ace, Tucker Sandercock, to their staff after Hellertown's legion team folded this year.

It all spells doom for opposing hitters, but translates into great opportunities for success this year for LWB.

"Pitching is definitely our strength," said Gotzon. "Our defense is doing a good job as well. Good pitching and defense are two things I'm not used to, so it's nice to have it this year."

See LWB on Page A14



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Matt Albright, pitching against Wind Gap in a 5-4 win, will be key for Lehigh West-Bethlehem.

**CARPENTER CUP
SOFTBALL**

LV girls don't want early exit

By KATIE MCDONALD
kmcaldonald@tnonline.com

Lehigh Valley Carpenter Cup softball coach John Eyer has selected 16 sophomores and juniors to represent the Lehigh Valley at the Carpenter Cup Classic Softball Tournament next week in Philadelphia.

Sponsored by the Philadelphia Phillies, the double-elimination tournament is a showcase for high school players to display their talents for college coaches.

The Lehigh Valley roster includes Liberty's Dior George, Erin Wilson, and Katie Souders.

Also part of the team are Emmaus's Sami Ashley, Emily Hockman, and Jessica Light; Parkland's Taryn Zietlow, Alex Neikam, and Kristie Smerdon; Southern Lehigh's Corinne Ozanne and Shelby Wilson; Palmerton's Martina Herring; Northern Lehigh's Erika Bowman; Allen's Sara Scraden; and Nazareth's Megan Hull and Lindsay Mas-

tro.

"We have a really strong defense," Eyer said. "Hitting-wise, it's really hard to tell, but I've seen them hit during the season. As long as we get the right batting order."

Lehigh Valley's first, and only, practice is scheduled for Wednesday, June 16. Eyer, who also coaches Emmaus's softball team, recently wrapped up an appearance at the state softball tournament while holding try-outs for the Carpenter Cup team.

"We'll try to get a scrimmage," said Eyer. "I hope the girls will get to know each other better."

Lehigh Valley's first game is scheduled for Monday, June 21 at 9 a.m. at FDR Park.

The assistant coaches are Barry Williams, Scott Bortz, and Don Kies.



• More on the girls

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PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Jason Mitch will be one of the pitchers Bath Legion coach Dave Brong will go to this season.

Action for Bath will heat up

By PETER CAR
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Bath hasn't seen much action during the NORCO season thus far, but that will all change this week. With a 2-2 mark thus far, Bath has a full slate this week, playing five games to catch up with the rest of their NORCO schedule.

Not only does the schedule give them a full plate of baseball this week, but it also presents an ultimatum.

"I think it will prove if we're a team capable of being successful or not," said head coach Dave Brong about the importance of this week. "It will show us what type of team we have."

This week's schedule might be more of an issue for teams with lack of pitch-

ing depth, but Brong's squad brings some quality arms in the likes of Eric Bender, (Bethlehem Catholic), Jason Mitch, Jim Sawyer (Liberty) and Robert Bertolotti (Liberty).

"We have a fairly young group of pitchers, but they're good," Brong said. "But for us to be in the hunt, we need to get hot with our bats."

Tyler Brong (Liberty, 1B), Alex Longenecker (Bethlehem Catholic, SS) and James Bertolotti (Liberty, C) figure to be some of Brong's biggest bats on the team.

Despite what Bath may have, the success of this week will have significant impact on the direction of the team's season and playoff

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Jeffs looking to get back to playoffs

By PETER CAR
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Bethlehem Jeffs isn't your flashy type of legion team, but Paul Henning's squad has grit to come out everyday and handle its business.

Jeffs sit at 2-4 so far this season and have their expectations pinned on making the playoffs for the first time in three years.

"We would be disappointed if we didn't make the playoffs this year," said Henning. "I usually don't say

that, but we're good enough to make it."

With Jeffs led by Ryan Snyder (SS), Mike Kiak (2B), Dave Wildrick (P/2B), Brandon Shuck (CF) and Luis Garcia (P/1B), Henning feels that his squad is made up more of workers than super-

stars, which is fine to him. All he needs his team to do, is to get back .500.

"We got to get back to .500 to get some confidence back," he said. "We got good

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PRESS PHOTO BY NANCY SCHOLZ

Fountain Hill's Demetrius Markou was part of the Lehigh Valley Connie Mack all-star team that fell to the Bux-Mont team, 8-7 on Saturday.

CONNIE MACK BASEBALL

Lehigh Valley falls 8-7

By JOE ZEMBA
Special to the Press

There were 68 of the best Connie Mack baseball players from the Lehigh Valley which included Carbon, Lehigh, Northampton and Monroe counties taking on all-stars from the Bux-Mont League.

The two teams hooked up in an exciting game at historic Lefty Fegely Field at Limeport Stadium on Saturday, June 12.

Lehigh Valley Connie Mack League President Mike Oriol said, "The all-star game was great. We drew a few hundred people for the game."

The red clad Bux-Mont All Stars won the game

over 34 blue-shirted players from the Lehigh Valley, 8-7. Bux-Mont won on a two-out double in the bottom of the ninth inning. The players get to keep their jerseys as a memento of the game.

The managers for the Lehigh Valley were Ray Wasilewski (Nazareth) and Jim Kuhns (Catty).

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hopes.

"I think at the end of the day, I'd hope that we can be in the playoff hunt," said Brong. "This week will show us a lot about ourselves. I'm confident in our pitching depth and the guys that we'll have on the mound, but we're going to have to get the job done."

"I always tell these kids that it's not my team, it's your team," he said. "We believe in each other and the kids are taking charge. It's a good feeling."

LWB

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Another important variable is team unity and Gotzon feels the players

have come together, making a commitment to a team that hopes to continue their win streak Thursday against Big Pocono.

"but we need to start putting things together fast." Freemansburg (1-7) has struggled to put things together this summer thus far as well. The team started out 0-7 before registering their first win over the weekend over The Birches.

Jeffs

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kids who can play. We just have to come together." The one plus about this year's team is the varsity high school experience most of his team encompasses. With nine players on the team seeing regular

time with their high schools, Henning knows that bodes well for his club. He also knows that with experience comes responsibility. "We just got some of our kids from Saucon last week and there's still a transition process we're going through," he said,

ing Goods beat up on the Roman's Auto Body Roughies, 77-30, who had a depleted line-up because of the quarterfinal state baseball playoff game being played in Pine Grove.

CARPENTER CUP SOFTBALL

LV has 3 LHS girls

By KATIE MCDONALD
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Three Liberty players were named to the Lehigh Valley Carpenter Cup softball team, which begins play on Monday.

name was called ten days ago as a member of this year's team.

"I was so relieved, it was like a weight was lifted off my back," Wilson said.

The Hurricane sophomore tried out for the team at the urging of high school softball coach, Rich Giering.

Regarding the announcement of which players made the team, Wilson said, "Dior told me how they did it last year, and that made me nervous. We all went out to left field, where [Coach John Eyer] called our names."

Ironically, Wilson felt that her worst game during the regular season was the one against Emmaus, the team Eyer's coaches.

"Once I got to [Carpenter Cup] tryouts, I knew that if I worked my hardest, I knew I could make it," said Wilson. "You need to show them what you have so they can use you wisely."

Wilson is looking forward to the new experience.

"I don't know how much playing time I'll get because I'm only a sophomore, but they say that sometimes the Phillies come, so I'm excited," she said.

Katie Souders will make her debut next week as a first baseman for the Lehigh Valley Carpenter Cup Softball team.

"I really wanted to make it, but I thought, whatever happens, happens, because I'm only a sophomore," Souders said.

The first day of tryouts was specifically for out-



Erin Wilson



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PHOTOS BY SCOTT PAGEL
Katie Souders

fielders. Souders tried out on day two, for infielders, and day three, for everyone.

"I honestly wasn't sure if I made it. I just made sure I kept my attitude up," said Souders. "Hitting off the machine was kind of hard because you can't time it, but other than that, I thought I did well."

Souders is looking forward to improving her game, putting herself out there, and having fun.

"It's a good opportunity for me with college, and so coaches know me. I also think it will help my play," she said.

Summer Hoops: adult, high school

By JOE ZEMBA
Special to the Press

Adult Leagues In the Catasauqua Adult Summer League, Casa Mia, made up of current and former DeSales University players, was led by recent Bulldog graduate Darnell Braswell who scored 22 points in a 52-46 win over G & S Fastening Supply of Bethlehem and Whitehall, which is comprised of Bethlehem and former Moravian College players.

Braswell, a two-time All-America player said his ultimate goal is to play pro basketball in Europe.

Starter's Riverport sponsors Moravian College players and alumni and they matched up well with the Nites, but lost by one on Thursday night, 46-45.

Daku's Auto Body smoothed Lupo's 72-68. District 11 champ from Catty's 2006 team, guard Josh Yoo, was on fire, ticking the twine for 34 points on Thursday night in the Catty Summer Basketball League. Yoo excelled in college soccer for Misericordia University.

Saucon Valley Sport-

Darrun Hilliard dropped 20 points on a rebuilding Whitehall High School team as Liberty High rolled, 50-31.

Joe Lococo scored 13 points as Freedom almost doubled up Quakertown, 46-24, also on Thursday night. Lococo was again the Patriots scoring pacesetter with ten points as Freedom squeezed past Pleasant Valley, 42-40.

Dieruff is vastly improved this year. Nazareth and Bangor didn't miss a beat from the winter. The Eagles took it to Liberty 57-28 while Bangor topped Bethlehem Catholic quite easily, 57-34.

Liberty defeated Dieruff 32-27 last Tuesday in the Catasauqua Varsity Girls Basketball League. CJ Hilliard scored 13 points against a much-improved Lady Huskies team.

Hilliard came back with a big game versus Northern Lehigh, knocking down 15 points in a 40-23 win.

The Lady Canes continue to win. Maggie Zerbe was the top scorer with ten points as the Hurricanes in an easy victory over East Stroudsburg South Lady Cavaliers.

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Northampton Community College Promotions, awards announced

Northampton Community College (NCC) announced faculty and staff promotions, standard appointments (tenure) and major awards last week. Promoted to professor are Donna S. Acerra, communications and theatre; Harold Weiss, philosophy; promotions to associate professor are Kenneth I. Burak, philosophy; Elba I. Carides, counseling; John K. Leiser, biology; Erin R. Reilly, sociology; Catherine E. Rienzo, sonography and Ronit Shemtov, sociology. Promoted to assistant professor are Kevin G. Casey and Richard G. Meyers, automotive technology and Joshua A. Miller, art. Standard appointments: Kenneth I. Burak, philosophy; David J. Gelormo, chemistry; John K. Leiser, biology; Mary S. Mathis, English; Timothy J. Molchany, communications/theatre; Stacy C. Pilgert, nursing; Catherine E. Rienzo, sonography and Ronit Shemtov, sociology.

Major awards: Christiansen award for excellence in teaching: John Leiser, associate professor, biology; professional staff excellence award: Elba Carides, associate professor, counseling; support staff excellence award: Debbie Opitz, an admissions assistant; award for excellence in teaching by an adjunct: Jennifer LeVan, Esquire, paralegal studies; excellence in non-credit instruction award: Christopher Post, instructional manager for pediatric first aid courses.

Scott Barnright, business and accounting, and Pamela Tabery, were named professors emeriti.

Graduates receive nursing pins

Twenty-six graduates of Northampton Community College have received their nursing pins, symbolizing their attainment of the status of registered nurse. The new nurses and their hometowns include: Amanda Fehnel, Pooja Ladani, Mark Moyzan (clinical achievement award winner) and Jennifer Valdez; from Bethlehem and Jonathan Mish from Hellertown.

Students present paper at conference

Eight NCC students presented papers at the annual Beacon Conference June 4 at SUNY Orange County Community College, Middletown, New York. This conference showcases the writing, research and presentation skills of students at community colleges throughout Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and Maryland.

Papers, submitted earlier this year, were judged by a panel of volunteer readers on quality, originality of research and writing. The top three papers in each category are selected for presentation at the conference, which is sponsored by a coalition of member colleges.

Three NCC students were named outstanding presenters. Presenters from Bethlehem included Paul Glenn, literature/multicultural studies, "Racism Creatively Depicted: 'Battle Royal' Symbolizes Racism Post Abolition of Slavery"; Chase Gobble, British literature, "Implicit Correlation: Objective Correlative Imagery and the Crisis of Self in 'The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock'"; Monica J. Krause, philosophy and religion, "Kant's 'Was Ist Aufklärung?' and the 21st Century" and Carla Majozan, psychology, "Stress and Diabetes." Majozan was also named outstanding presenter.

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.

Moravian College

Firm hired for Collier Hall renovation

The architectural firm Einhorn Yaffee Prescott (EYP) of New York City was selected by Moravian's project leadership team to provide professional architectural and engineering services for the renovation and expansion of the Collier Hall of Science. Collier Hall houses biological sciences, chemistry, nursing and physics and earth science departments.

The leadership team of faculty members, administrators and students, invited 16 firms to submit proposals. EYP was selected for its outstanding track record. Their science building projects include Swarthmore, Mount Holyoke, Hamilton and Williams colleges.

The project's expected completion date is April 2011. Pending funding approval, there is a completion date of October 2014.

Design and construction associated with this project will be developed according to basic sustainable principles, Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED) or Energy Star methodologies or ratings.

Moravian College is located at 1200 Main St. For more information, call 610-861-1300 or visit www.moravian.edu

Bethlehem Garden Club

Early summer tour offered

By PAT KESLING
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Summer is just around the corner, and the Bethlehem Garden Club has once again found a number of gorgeous private gardens for its early season tour to inspire and delight both gardeners and browsers alike.

This year's garden tour, with the theme of "Paradise Found," will feature eight gardens open to the public, rain or shine, June 19 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The day will offer gardens petite and grand, native and nostalgic, as well as a Garden Shop at one site for the sale of plants and gardening accoutrements. Other sites will offer educational information on native and invasive plants, information from the Master Gardeners' Program, light refreshments and an artist demonstrating plein air painting.

The gardens included offer a view of the owners' interests, travels and pleasures. One garden has lovingly tended "grandmother's roses" and a shady spot with waterfall for personal refreshment. Another is filled with whimsical stone animal sculptures set throughout the gardens.

In Old Edgeboro, so named because the homes were at the "edge" of town, this garden offers a gazebo, fish pond and a waterfall among plantings of annuals and perennials, all enjoyed by the owners and their lively dogs.

A fourth garden features seven acres of specimen trees, including



PRESS PHOTO BY PAT KESLING

Roseanne Bridges, first vice president of the Bethlehem Garden Club, and Sharon Donchez, garden club tour chairman, are ready for "Paradise Found," this year's garden tour June 19.

Abies koreana "Silberlocke," and a pair of Betula nigra "Heritage" river birches. Complementing these and many other plantings is a courtyard with a shooting fountain which falls into a natural pebble surround and a pool house/summer kitchen.

Other gardens offer a terraced garden of native plants and a straw bale stucco shed with a "living roof," the beautiful blending of home and landscaping to create outdoor living spaces, a petite-pool garden, as well as an anniversary garden reflecting the owners' love of perennials, fragrance and color.

The club's garden tour helps provide financial support for community

projects. A portion of this year's funds will be donated to ShareCare: Faith in Action, which is a free non-denominational program of support for the elderly and others wanting to maintain a sense of independence. Also, a Bethlehem Garden Club Scholarship is given annually to a student of horticulture, conservation or related areas for continuing studies.

Tickets are available in advance at Dan Schantz Greenhouse (Union Boulevard, Bethlehem), Dan Schantz Greenhouse (Lehigh Street, Allentown), Herbein's Garden Center (4301 Chestnut St., Emmaus), the Moravian Book Shop (328 Main St., Bethlehem), Neighbors Home & Garden (38 S.

Main St., Hellertown), Hickory Grove Greenhouses (Grove and Milton streets, N. Catsauqua), Pharo Garden Center (4505 Easton Ave., Bethlehem) and Landmark Gardens and Nursery (920 Mud St., Northampton). On the day of the tour, tickets will be available at the vendors and the garden sites.

The Bethlehem Garden Club was organized in June 1930 and membership is open to everyone who enjoys community beautification, conservation, volunteer services and philanthropic projects.

For information, go to www.bethlehemgardenclub.org.

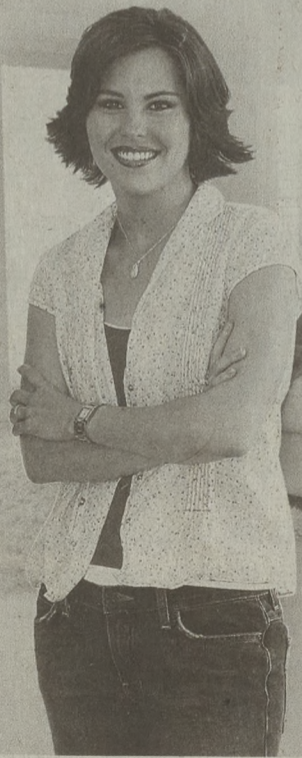
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TD Five Points bank going green

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

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What is a LEED (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design) building? It's a green building certified by the U.S. Green Building Council. On June 10, Bethlehem planners unanimously approved a "Leed Platinum" TD Bank at Five Points. Chairman Larry Krauter stated, "This might be the first time we've had a LEED Platinum, at least during my time on the Commission." Platinum is the highest certifi-

cation possible. This carbon neutral design is also a first for TD Bank in the Lehigh Valley.

TD Bank plans to build between five and 10 "green stores" this year, which will reduce energy consumption by 50 percent compared to previous designs. Nearly 20 percent of the bank's energy will come from onsite solar panels, including a solar drive-thru canopy.

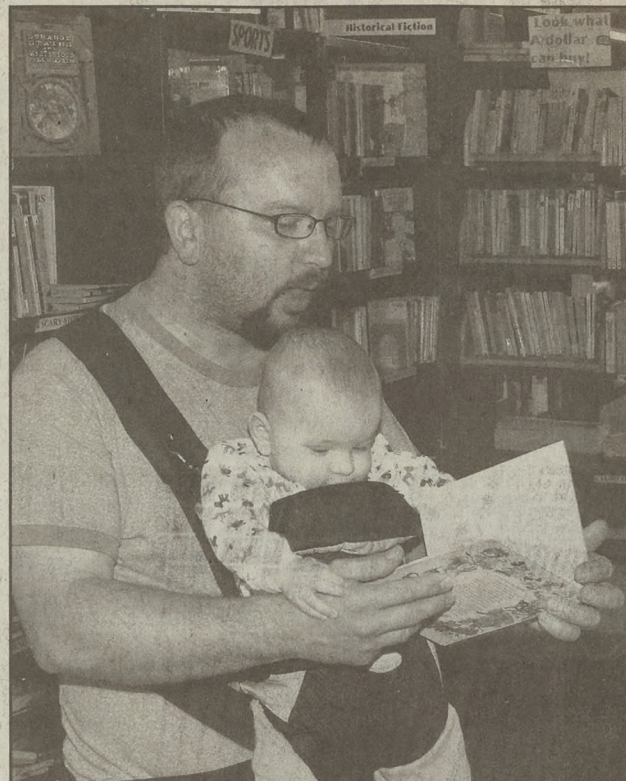
Plans for this proposed carbon friendly bank, located

at the site of an existing gas station and convenience store, ironically calls for fewer trees along Broadway and Wyandotte Street than provided for by city ordinance. Environmentally sensitive or not, a bank is still a bank, and needs to be visible. Bethlehem resident Bob Pfenning proposed a trade-off, recommending that planners allow TD Bank to plant trees acceptable to the city at some other location.

"Money does grow on

trees," quipped planner James Fiorentino, and bank representatives readily agreed to this solution.

Speaking of trees, Freedom Lawn Care's plan for a landscaping business at the southeast corner of Cherry Hill and Ringhoffer roads was also unanimously approved. At this 3.34-acre site, owner John Inglis told planners he will store stone, mulch and other landscaping supplies, which his truck fleet will then deliver to various customers. There will be no retail sales.



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB

Matt Williams from Bethlehem reads to his 6-month-old son Sam, as he gives the tot an early indoctrination to reading and looking for a deal during the Bethlehem Area Public Library's fourth book sale of 2010, which was held May 6 and 8. Williams said that his family visits the library regularly and frequents the book sales. The May sale featured 10,000 individual titles in books, DVDs, videos and CDs in areas such as Mother's Day, grilling and Manga novels for teens. Sci-Fi titles were plentiful at this latest sale, according to the library's special events manager Liza Holzinger, who also noted that books about business and finance are selling quickly as readers apparently are looking for ways to stretch their dollars whether seeking sound financial advice or business opportunities during a down economy. Holzinger reported that the May sale brought in an additional \$10,338, which brings total 2010 sales revenue to \$37,164. The next sale is scheduled June 17 from noon to 8 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 19 at the main library, 11 W. Church St. More than 10,000 books, movies and music items, arranged by author, artist or subject will be available for purchase. All proceeds benefit the library. After 4:30 p.m. June 17 and all day June 19, there is free parking in the garage under the library in any green dot space. For information, call 610-867-3761, ext. 259 or visit www.bestbooksale.org.

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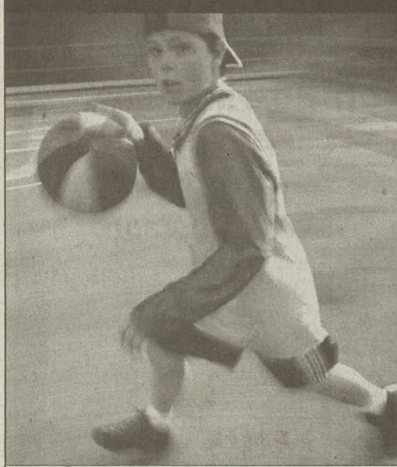
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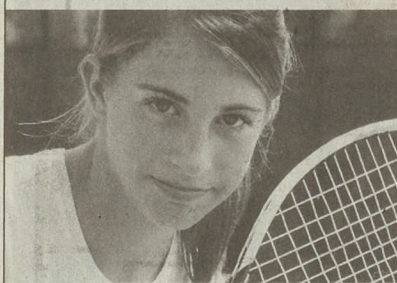
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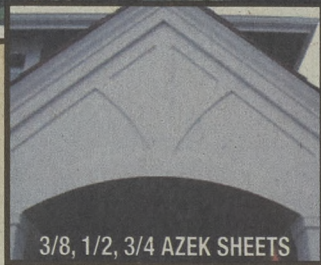


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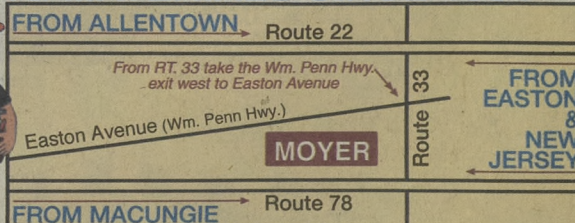
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"These dresses are from all over the world," says Angela Gribbin, owner of PL Bridal Boutique, offering pre-owned wedding dresses.

BETHLEHEM TOWNSHIP

New cable agreement called 'very agreeable'

By H. L. STONE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Bethlehem Township Board of Commissioners held a public hearing during its May 17 meeting to allow residents an opportunity to ask questions about the new contract between the township and its cable provider, RCN Telecom Services Inc.

The agreement, adopted unanimously by the board, includes language that clarifies the terms of the 5 percent franchise fee that the township receives from RCN for each of its many services and products, with updates to include newer technologies like high-speed Internet.

Township solicitor James Broughal, who had pressed for these changes, said they would bring in additional revenue for the township.

Broughal says the single biggest thing that's different about the new contract is the expansion of gross revenues to include items never conceived of 20 years ago in

the initial agreement.

"The cable companies have greatly increased their profit sectors and now we are able to tap into those sectors," Broughal said.

In other business, the commissioners granted conditional approval for the Skyview LLC Emerick Boulevard Subdivision final plan. The plan would create two distinct lots, one for Outback Steakhouse, and one available for possible future development.

There are 14 conditions to the final approval, many of which are customary to subdivisions of this type. Township officials expressed confidence that the owners will meet them fully.

There was a brief discussion on the future of the Housenick Estate; however, Commissioner Michael Hudak requested the board to table the talk until the return of Commissioner Thomas Nolan, who was unable to attend the meeting.

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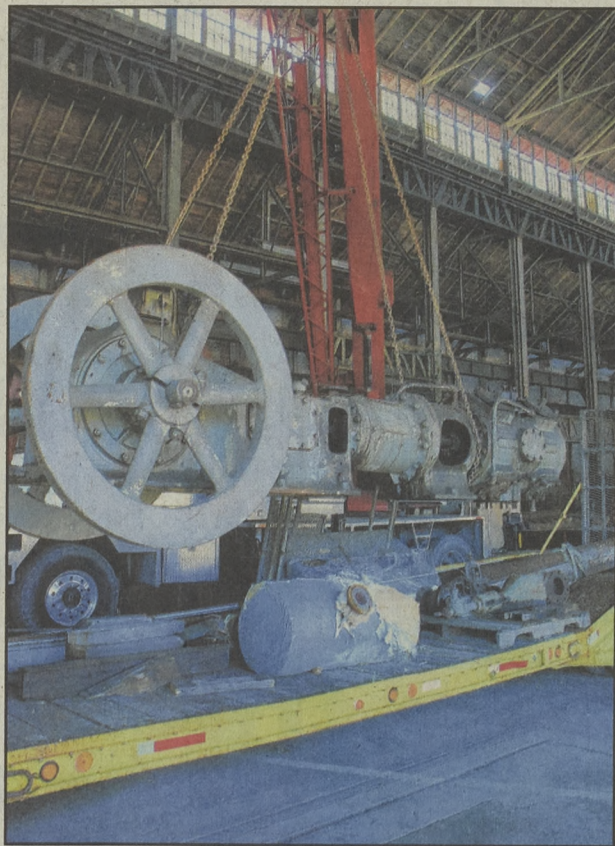
By DANA GRUBB
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The National Museum of Industrial History continues to add to its industrial artifacts collection with the recent acquisitions of two items. NMIH volunteer coordinator Mike Piersa has obtained a Whitcomb & Rochelle Illinois "dinky," which was used by the Pen Argyl-based Dally Slate Company from 1925 until the mid-1970s to transfer slate blocks from the quarry to the mill. The 7,500-pound, 33.5-inch gauge four-cylinder engine will be refurbished to operating condition for eventual display in the museum, according to Piersa.

Piersa called it a "great addition, because we already have a 20-ton steam hoisting engine from the quarry."

The NMIH has also acquired a steam-powered compressor from GEO Specialty Chemicals, which was used in the company's Allentown plant. The compressor was built in 1958 by the Worthington Company in Buffalo, N.Y., and is "one of the last steam engine machines built," said Piersa.

According to a NMIH press release, the compressor provided the pressurized air used to operate pneumatic valves, blow-down of critical process vessels and atomizing air for boilers.



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

ABOVE: The Whitcomb & Rochelle "Dinky" arrives at the National Museum of Industrial History by tractor trailer April 5. LEFT: A 40-ton crane from Farmersville Crane hoists the Worthington steam compressor from the trailer used to transport it prior to placing it on storage blocks at the National Museum of Industrial History.

GEO Specialty Chemicals paid to transfer the 13,000-pound compressor into the hands of the NMIH, where it will undergo minor restoration before becoming part of a pneumatic tools display.

Task force hears latest on community gardens

By JULIA F. SWAN
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The Southside is beginning to bloom as the number of community gardens grows, the Rev. Joel Atkinson informed members of the South Side Task Force May 25.

Reporting on the efforts of the South Side Initiative to plant community gardens throughout the community, Atkinson said there are five community gardens now, including new ones at Donegan ES and Broughal MS.

There is a greenhouse on the roof of Broughal, he said, and the teachers there are eager to work with the community garden initiative.

All the gardens will be organic, he added.

The Initiative group held a plant sale recently at the Maze Garden, across from the Banana Factory, and had volunteers at the Maze Garden during First Friday.

In other business at the meeting, chairman Roger Hudak reported the Sands Bethlehem wants to staff the upcoming table games with as many local residents as possible but stressed being a dealer for those games is not an easy job.

Northampton Community College held a free introductory class June 3 and 4 at its Southside campus called "So You Want to Be a Dealer."

To be eligible for a dealer's job, Hudak said, it is necessary to take an additional course to be certi-

fied, and that course is expensive. However, he added, if you're unemployed, the state will pay for your training.

In other business, Julie Benjamin reported on progress at the SteelStacks building. The last beam was to be put in place May 27, and she distributed invitations to a celebration scheduled for that day.

She expects it to open in April 2011, and there will be announcements soon about some of the events being planned there.

For Musikfest 2011, the River Place venue will be moved to the Southside, at the far west end of the old blast furnaces. The

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biggest challenge at Musikfest, she said, will be transportation between the two sides of town.

"2011 is going to be a wonderful year," Hudak said, about the projects slated for completion next year.

Atkinson also reported on his plans to revive First Monday events at the Cathedral Church of the Nativity.

He plans to rename it, because it won't necessarily be on Mondays anymore, he said.

Among the programs he is considering are candidates' nights prior to the November election, a voter registration drive in the fall, and a bus tour in spring 2011 to highlight

what's been happening on the Southside. He said he also would like to get the kids who are now responsible for graffiti involved in some kind of outdoor mural project.

In his block watch report, Hudak voiced concern about a vacant house in the alley behind the 1300 block of Fourth Street. The house, which is owned by the Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley (CACLV), has a severe mold problem and can't be rehabbed. It is scheduled for demolition, but in the meantime, kids have broken in and it is being used for drug trafficking.

Hudak has contacted CACLV and the city and been told the house will be

demolished in a few weeks, but he is concerned the kids might move their illicit activities to the new skate park.

"I'm trying to make sure when the skate park opens we won't have a problem," he said.

Surveillance cameras are planned for the park which should reduce problems.

Hudak also announced the Bethlehem Health Bureau is offering free shingles vaccines to city residents 60 and older. To make an appointment, call 610-865-7087.

The next Task Force meeting will be July 27 at 4 p.m. at Concordia Lutheran Church, 1240 E. Fourth St.

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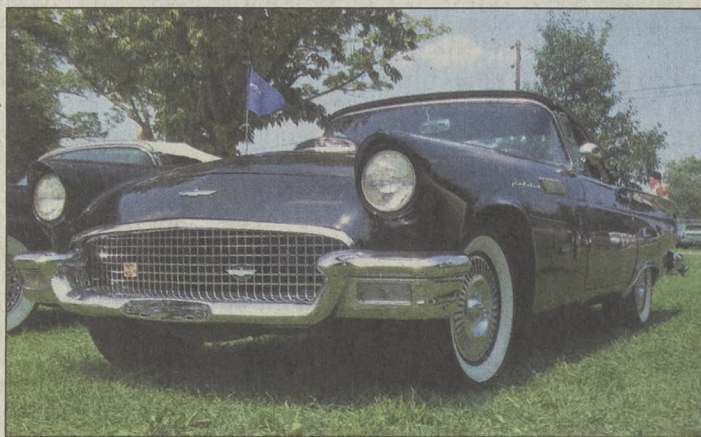
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Erdmuth Dorothea von Zinzendorf

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



Undated oil painting of Erdmuth Dorothea von Zinzendorf

More than 1,800 people attended the funeral of Countess Erdmuth Dorothea von Zinzendorf, who had passed away June 19, 1756. The people of Herrnhut grieved for their loss of "our praiseworthy sister and most beloved Mama." Although she never set foot in America, her efficient management of her husband's estate had a profound influence on the formation of Bethlehem.

Erdmuth Dorothea was born Nov. 7, 1700, to Count Heinrich X. Reuss of Ebersdorf and Erdmuth Benigna of Solms-Laubach. Count Heinrich was an ancestor of Queen Victoria, Queen of the United Kingdom. Erdmuth grew up in a large castle in Ebersdorf, Germany. She was raised as a Pietist, a movement within Lutheranism that sought practical and devout Christianity. The Countess was well-educated and could read in several languages. Her mother taught her how to administer the large estate of the Reuss family.

Erdmuth met the Count Nikolaus Ludwig Zinzendorf through her brother, Heinrich. The two counts had attended Halle Academy together. Count Zinzendorf admired Erdmuth's devotion to Christianity. She was tall and attractive. The couple agreed to form a "Stretrehe" (a marriage in battle for Christ). Upon their engagement, Count Zinzendorf wrote to Erdmuth's mother, saying, "I foresee many difficulties in this case; as I am but a poor acquisition for any person, and the dear Countess Erdmuth must not only enter upon a life of self-denial with me, but also co-operate with me in my principal design, namely, to assist me in gaining souls for Christ."

Despite the objections of her family, they were married Sept. 7, 1722, in the Reuss castle.

The Zinzendorfs began their marriage at their Berthelsdorf (Herrnhut) estate, which Zinzendorf had recently purchased from his grandmother. They were soon approached by a group of Moravian refugees who requested permission to establish a community on Zinzendorf's land. Zinzendorf granted consent and became engaged in their cause.

Count Zinzendorf devoted all his time to establishing Moravian settlements and sending missionaries

around the world. This left Erdmuth to manage the affairs of their estate and the Herrnhut Moravian community. He gave her legal title to all his properties.

As Zinzendorf traveled to England (1737-1741) and America (1741-1743 and 1749-1755), Erdmuth worked long hours each day toiling over the responsibilities of running Herrnhut. Zinzendorf spent more money than they possessed on missionary outposts and other church-related expenses. She gave birth to 12 children between the years of 1724 and 1740. Only four lived to be adults. In doing work for the church, Erdmuth traveled to Russia, Denmark, Holland and six times to England. She served as the Moravian Church ambassador at the imperial court in St. Petersburg. Erdmuth lived very plainly with no luxuries.

When Zinzendorf returned home to Herrnhut in 1755, he chose to stay in the Jungerhaus or bachelor's house, as his relationship to Erdmuth had cooled. Their 24-year-old son, Christian Renatus, died in 1752 from tuberculosis. Erdmuth was also aware of her husband's close relationship with Anna Nitschmann, 15 years his junior. Anna was a missionary and leader of the single women's choir. All of these events caused her to become deeply depressed.

Erdmuth became ill with a cold and died at age 55. Close associates of Zinzendorf saw him experience a period of great grief and remorse after Erdmuth's death. He realized he had neglected his wife for much of their 35-year marriage. A year after the countess's death, Anna became the wife of Zinzendorf. They were married for three years and died within two weeks of each other in 1760. All three are buried side by side in God's Acre in Herrnhut.



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SV student earns scholarship

Moorestown Garden Club representative Sharon Jarrow presents the Marguerite Erikson Ide Scholarship to Kendra Borelli, a student at Saucon Valley HS. The annual scholarship goes to a student planning a career in horticulture. Borelli plans to open a floral shop.

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The one-year course aims to train students in key concepts and methods of historical studies. The course level is equivalent to that of a British university's third year study. The two modules cover the Tudor and Stuart periods. Module one covers concepts and methods of local history. Module two's syllabus, databases for historians, uses data sets for the Oxfordshire market towns of Thames and Woodstock in the 17th century.

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This is one of the newer online courses offered by Oxford. The popular online courses attract students of all ages and backgrounds from around the globe.

Samuels will continue to write "This Week in Bethlehem History" column while continuing her education.

AAUW-Bethlehem honors Boyda-Keller

The American Association of University Women, Bethlehem branch, presented the Outstanding Woman of the Year for 2009-2010 to Jeanie Boyda Keller of Bethlehem.

Keller is a board member and a past president of the branch. She is the vice president for programs and is active in several interest groups. Keller is a Northampton County court advocate for Turning Point of the Lehigh Valley. A graduate of the City of Bethlehem's first Citizens' Academy, she is president of its alumni group.



Jeanie Boyda Keller

Keller is also an AAUW scholarship recipient. She attended Cedar Crest College, where she earned a B.S. degree in public administration and economics, and in 1993, continued her association with the AAUW by joining the Bethlehem branch. In 2005, she earned a M.A. degree in political science from Lehigh University.

The Woman of the Year award recipients are women who demonstrate commitment to the ideals of AAUW.

For information, visit www.aauwbethlehem.org.

Liberty grad Kevin Battles promoted

Kevin D. M. Battles was recently promoted to the rank of master sergeant. The surprise presentation was made by Air Force General Roger W. Burg.

Battles entered the Air Force in 1990 and completed basic training at Lackland Air Force base, San Antonio, Texas. In the past 20 years, he has been assigned to missile bases at Grand Forks AFB, N.D., Vandenberg AFB, Calif. and Minot AFB, N.D., where he is currently stationed.

He was a recruiter at the Bethlehem Air Force office from 2004-2008.

Battles, the son of Gloria and David Battles of Bethlehem, is a 1990 graduate of Liberty HS. He and his wife Chelsea (Morse) have four children.

Bethlehem resident receives academic honors

Northeastern University's spring semester 2010 dean's list includes Bethlehem resident Jessica Seifert, a Northeastern University student majoring in international business. To achieve the dean's list distinction, students must carry a full program of at least four courses, have a quality point average of 3.25 or greater out of a possible 4.0 and carry no single grade lower than a C during the course of their college career.

In addition to achieving distinction through the dean's list, Jessica Seifert is a by-invitation-only honors student, living in special interest on-campus housing and participating in one or two honors courses each term.

Grandson of local residents is award winner

Skyler Ammend, a son of James and Anne Ammend of Fleetwood and a grandson of Janet A. Tenan and E.J. and James Ammend of Bethlehem, was recognized for academic achievement. Ammend is a U.S. Achievement Academy (USAA) National Honor Student award winner. He will be listed in the USAA's official yearbook.

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Local students Centenary College graduates

The following Bethlehem students graduated from Centenary College this spring. Stephanie Breon graduated with a bachelor of fine arts degree. John A. Simone graduated with a bachelor of arts degree.

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ND speech, debate coach earns degree

Sal Rizzo, head coach of the Notre Dame HS Speech and Debate Club, earned his first Diamond Degree from the National Forensic League (NFL). Coaches earn their first Diamond Degree by earning 1,500 NFL points, which requires coaches to help students earn 15,000 NFL points during their coaching career.

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Board cool to tower TIF

BETHLEHEM AREA SD

By DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Bethlehem Area School Board members gave a cool reception to the co-owner of the Martin Tower building, Louis Ronca, who wants the school board to recommend a tax increment financing (TIF) bond for the development of the 21-story building located on a 53-acre campus on Eighth Street just north of the interchange ramp for Route 378.

A TIF is a way to use future gains in taxes to finance current improvements, which theoretically will create the conditions for those future gains. After a public project such as a road, school or hazardous waste cleanup, there is often an increase in the value of surrounding real estate, and perhaps new investment such as new or rehabilitated buildings.

Ronca and his partner, Boca Raton, Fla., developer Norton Herrick own the building. A third partner, Lou Pektor of Ashley Development, sold his interest in the building.

If approved, the Lehigh County Industrial Development Authority would issue a \$9.5 million bond to help Ronca finance the project.

Ronca's team pitched the idea to BASD school board's Finance Committee June 1, explaining that after the property is developed it will add to the school district's revenue.

According to Ronca, who was accompanied by Lehigh Valley Industrial Development Authority solicitor John Lushis, several subsidiary buildings on the campus need to be razed and extensive asbestos removal is needed. Fireproofing and sprinkler systems will add to the cost of bringing the building to code.

Ronca proposed to convert the tower to a combination of apartments and commercial spaces and to



PRESS PHOTO BY DOUGLAS GRAVES

Louis Ronca wants the school board to agree to a tax increment financing (TIF) bond for the development of the Martin Tower and campus.

build homes on the campus.

School board member Rosario Amato seemed to scoff at the idea of participating in another tax increment funding plan, saying, "We are a school district of TIFs — we have more TIFs than you can shake a stick at."

Director Irene Follweiler also questioned the concept. "What if the development doesn't happen at the proposed rate over the next 20 years?" she asked.

"I don't see the benefit to the school district with this plan," said board member Michael Faccinnetto.

"What was the reaction of the [Bethlehem] City Council to [the development plan]?" asked school board member William Burkhardt.

"We haven't presented the plan to either the City Council or the Planning Commission," answered one of Ronca's team. Lushis, speaking for the Ronca team, told The Press that he was not authorized to release a copy of the presentation with its plans and tax benefit projections.

In a later interview, Lushis said he understood

that the school board wanted more information.

"They were asking fair questions," Lushis said.

He said that the developers would give the BASD school board more information on how the property would contribute tax dollars to the school district through various avenues, including its share of real estate transfer taxes and earned income taxes.

Lushis also explained that TIF funding would be a only a small part of the overall investment needed to redevelop the property, which sits in the middle of Lehigh Valley's east to west axis.

He said that redevelopment is a better alternative than seeing the property "rot" and become an eyesore.

"If development occurs, the amount of taxable [assets] and revenue will increase dramatically," Lushis said. "It's short-term pain for a long-term gain."

The owners are currently paying \$71,000 in annual taxes and are spending between \$500,000 and \$900,000 on basic maintenance and

utilities to keep the property from deteriorating.

The building was the headquarters for Bethlehem Steel and was named for former Bethlehem Steel Chairman Edmund F. Martin. It has been vacant since Bethlehem Steel went out of business.

In other business, the district needs to borrow \$14,275 to meet expenses between now and when taxpayer checks start to arrive, according to BASD business administrator Stacy Gober, speaking to the board June 7.

"I would not look to draw any more than needed to pay obligations," Gober said, adding that the short-term loan would be paid back by anticipated revenues.

The board, in its role as Finance Committee, debated the issue which comes at a time that the same board is about to pass a \$207.2 million budget for the 2010-11 school year.

School director Irene Follweiler asked Gober if there weren't some way to "develop a fund balance" to get rid of the annual need to get short-term loans.

The school board approved the administration's request for a bridge loan or tax and revenue anticipation note allowing Gober to send a request for proposal to several banks to get bids; the administration plans to get the money during the first week of July.

The Finance Committee also authorized the unbudgeted expenditure of \$7,500 for two buses to transport students to the Lehigh Valley Summerbridge program at Moravian Academy.

The program, according to information from Moravian Academy, supports "bright and motivated middle school students who aim to overcome limited educational opportunities ... [by helping them] enter and succeed in college preparatory courses."

Gearing up for Community Day

FOUNTAIN HILL

By ADRIENNE WRIGHT
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Plans are underway for Fountain Hill's Community Day June 26 but more volunteers are needed, council members said during the June 7 borough council meeting.

"We always appreciate more volunteers," said Police Chief Tim Stephens.

The event, sponsored by St. Luke's Hospital, is free to the public and will include music by The No Daddys and Emcee John Tone, a BBQ rib cook-off, a petting zoo, food vendors, children's games, a moon bounce, a dunk tank and free swimming.

It will take place from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the pool and park on Stanley Avenue.

More information can be found on the Fountain Hill Police Department's Facebook page, and any-

one wishing to volunteer should contact David Appgar, community police officer, at 610-691-5512, ext. 303 or dappgar@fhpolic.org.

"We invite everyone to come out and have a good time," said council President Larry Rapp.

After weeks of heated debate, the council also adopted an ordinance to levy fines on residents who use items such as lawn chairs and trash cans to reserve parking spaces.

"I hope you can enforce it," said council member Helen Halleman. "It's one thing to make it happen on paper, but it's another to enforce it."

Council member Norman Blatt agreed.

"Enforcing it is going to be a challenge," he said, "but we have to start somewhere."

Council member Carolee Gifford was the sole dissenting vote.

The council also approved a list of pool and playground staff for the summer. Both the pool and summer playground program are now open.

Halleman questioned the rates for managers and lifeguards at the pool and playground.

"Why do you need all these managers and supervisors?" Halleman asked. "And at this hourly rate? We must be very rich."

Gifford said she felt the rates were fair.

"It's little money for the level of responsibility," Gifford said. "I think it's a fair and equitable table, and I think in order to retain quality people, this is what we need to pay."

Halleman also followed

up on an issue she brought up at last month's meeting about the state of an alley near Cherokee Street.

"I'm ashamed to say I live in Fountain Hill with an area like that," Halleman said.

According to code enforcement officer Joseph Gatta, the offending properties have been cited.

In other business, the council approved:

- An ordinance to extend restricted parking from the intersection of Dodson Street and Jeter Avenue by 85 feet east.

- A curb cut crossover at 1215 Wiley St. for a parking pad installation.

The council will hold a work session tonight, June 16, at 7 p.m. The meeting will include a public hearing on the proposed check-cashing business at 950 Broadway.

PEOPLE SAY BY DANA GRUBB

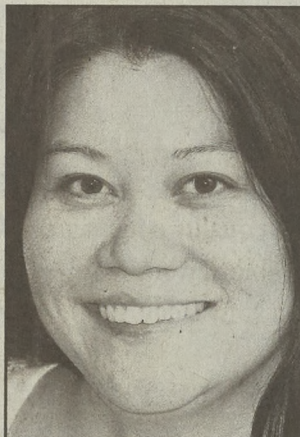
What would be your dream vacation for the summer of 2010?



"I've always wanted to go to Fiji. It's an exotic location and is very different."
Todd Regn Nazareth



"I think I would like to drive across the country, go west, California bound."
Patty Mitzak Nazareth



"I would love to take a European cruise for the entire summer."
Eileen White Delaware Gap



"Go to the coast of Croatia. My girlfriend is from there. It looks beautiful with over 1,000 islands."
Todd Smith Whitehall



"It would be to go to Prague in the Czech Republic. I studied abroad in high school and would like to go back. It's been five years since I was there."
Lauren Barras Bethlehem



"I want to go to Europe to visit many of the small towns, and I'd really like to see Barcelona. I've never left the country and one of my goals is to go to Europe."
Alli Howghton Emmaus

Victoria Cazanias
Freedom HS

Grade: 12
Family members: Parents, Carlos and Helen Cazanias
Favorite subject: My favorite subjects are history and English. History interests me because it connects us to the past and helps us make decisions for the future. English interests me because I love the eloquence of the written word and the ability writers have to draw us in and have us connect with characters of other times, backgrounds and sometimes worlds.

Activities: My main activity for the last 12 years has been dance. I have trained in almost any form of dance but tap and ballroom, and have also trained at local workshops as well as intensives with the Ailey Extension, Broadway Dance Center and the Pulse in New York City. I have also been a member of Ski Club since middle school and have helped the FHS Theatre Company's stage crew.

Next steps: The next step for me is college. I plan to major in international relations and, if I'm lucky, to continue to law school to study comparative/international law.

Career Goals: My dream is to work in the area of diplomacy and conflict resolution. If I could somehow incorporate dance into this plan, my world would be complete.

Heroes: I don't know if I have a "hero." I do know that aside from my parents, the person I admire and would be honored to emulate is my drama teacher, Jennifer Wescoe. She is an amazing person and I am in awe of all the work and care she puts into teaching her students and maintaining the FHS Theatre Company. She is a master of multitasking, never allowing anyone to feel neglected, and always does everything with enthusiasm. The best lessons I've learned from her have been to believe in myself and not take life too seriously.

Hobbies: My favorite hobbies are reading, writing, learning to speak a new language (still working on that one), hanging out with friends in person or on Facebook and choreographing dance pieces to random music just for fun.

Volunteer/community work: I have had several opportunities to volunteer or perform community service. I have served as a teacher's aide with the Horizons for Youth summer program at Northampton Community College, as well as tutoring after school for the Spanish department at Freedom. The most fun experience was when I helped student council transform the senior hallway for



spirit week. The most touching experience was sophomore year when I helped with the FHS Theatre Company's car wash for the late Vic Kumma of the Freddy Awards.

Likes: I look forward to the cooler days of autumn, am obsessed with anything pumpkin (cheesecake, latte, etc.), enjoy hot chocolate with lots of marshmallows after skiing or ice skating, appreciate the works of Jane Austen or Shakespeare, and, of course, love spending time with friends at a game or a movie.

Dislikes: I have no tolerance for insincerity, am saddened by close-mindedness, despise budget cuts that take away opportunities at school, feel disrespected by people who cut in line or are reckless drivers, and can't understand how anyone could like Chevy Chase movies or brussels sprouts.

Greatest accomplishment (so far): Before school began this year it would have been a Ten-Year trophy I received last June for dance. However, I had the privilege through NHS this year to help children and adults with disabilities by participating in the Lehigh Valley Health Network's VIA 5K walk. I was able to create and lead my own team, gather sponsors and walk for this important cause. It felt great being part of something that can make a difference to others.

Advice for peers: Never give up on what you want to accomplish in this life. Too many times, especially in school, we are sorted out like square and round pegs by what others think we can or can't do. We may be told, "This is not your thing. You should consider taking another path." But nobody really knows that for sure, so don't allow obstacles to stop you. A dream, if grounded in reality, may come true if you really want it and work hard for it to happen.

Julie Swan coordinates student profiles for the Bethlehem Press.

The Donley Awards
Area students among 29 honored

By DOUGLAS GRAVES
Special to the Press

Organizers of the Donley Awards for Excellence presented 29 of the area's top students with \$500 scholarships and an award certificate for their scholarship, leadership and community service in luncheon ceremonies at the Best Western Lehigh Valley Hotel and Conference Center April 19.

Former Air Products and Chemicals chairman, Ed Donley, established the award, which is in its 15th year.

Father Bernard F. O'Connor, president of DeSales University, presented the awards on behalf of Donley who could not attend the annual ceremony.

"You are truly a very, very select group," said O'Connor addressing the scholars. "You represent 29 out of 6,000 seniors in Lehigh Valley or one half of one percent."

Organizers called each student to the dais to receive his or her certificate and scholarship. A booklet listed the academic bona fides of each student.

Michael Kustek of Freedom HS said that his friends are high achievers who "forced me to keep competitive." He is 12th in his class of 520 and is a member of the National Honor Society.

Kustek plans to study accounting at college. He is the son of Donna Bietler and Frank Kustek.

"Adam is the best student I have had in 25 years of teaching," said John Chay, speaking about **Adam Becker**, a Bethlehem Area Vocational-Technical School student who received the Donley Award for Excellence. "He has a high level of desire to learn."

Becker will attend the Pennsylvania College of Technology and study machine tool technology. He is the son of John and Cindy Becker of Seemsville.

Liberty's Gardiner Kreglow, who received a Donley Award scholarship, is first in his class of 695 and plans to attend Dartmouth University.

"He sees the big picture," said Liberty HS Principal JoAnn Durante. "He is ahead of his time."

She said that Kreglow is the school's representative at the State Board of Education in Harrisburg.

He is the son of John and Lori Kreglow of Bethlehem.

"We are extremely proud of this girl," said



LV Christian HS student
Amanda Rapp



Notre Dame HS senior
Stephen Prager



Liberty HS senior
Gardiner Kreglow



Moravian Academy senior
Victoria Lynn Zhou



LVPA student
Colleen Anne Barrett



Bethlehem Catholic HS student
Caroline M. Hozza



PRESS PHOTOS
BY DOUGLAS GRAVES
Freedom HS senior
Michael Kustek

Debra Nonnemacher, speaking of **Colleen Anne Barrett** of the Lehigh Valley Charter HS for the Performing Arts.

Barrett, who will attend Cornell University, received the Donley Award for her scholarship and leadership and has received her high school's President's Award for Educational Excellence. Barrett, who plays a cello, is the president of the Orchestra Board for the school. She volunteers at local animal shelters and with the Young Peoples Philharmonic.

Lehigh Valley Christ-

ian HS's **Amanda Rapp**, who is first in her class of 30, received the Donley Award for her outstanding academic performance. She placed first at the Lehigh Science and Engineering fair and was a contestant at the Delaware Valley Science Fair. The student-athlete was also captain of her field hockey team and was its most valuable player.

Moravian Academy's **Victoria Zhou** was also one of the award recipients. Zhou will study premed in college. She is a National Merit Semifinalist and an Advanced Placement scholar. She attended a six-week Spanish language immersion program in Argentina sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh Health Career Scholars Academy and Youth for Understanding.

In addition to excelling in language and science, Zhou is a violinist who has played in the Pennsylvania All-State Orchestra where she earned the Pennsylvania All State Musician's award.

Stephen Prager, a senior at Notre Dame HS, is first in his class of 160 and expects to attend Dartmouth College.

"I would absolutely trust my life to Stephen," said his high school principal, Joe Kramer.

"Stephen brought a lot of ability to the table." According to Kramer, Prager will be class valedictorian this year.

Prager is the vice president of the high school's National Honor Society chapter and received the Moravian College Dean's Scholars Award for advanced classes he took at the college. He serves on the Lower Saucon Township Council as a junior member. He is also captain of the speech and debate team. Prager also volunteers for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Stephen is the son of David and Mary Ellen Prager of Bethlehem.

Caroline Hozza also received the Donley Award for her scholarship and leadership achievements at Bethlehem Catholic HS.

Hozza is sixth in her class of 197 and is a member of the National Honor Society. She will study medicine at Pennsylvania State University's Schreyer Honors College.

Besides working part-time at Wegmans grocery, she is president of the French Club and the captain of the junior varsity volleyball team.

Hozza volunteers at Northampton Community College for the Horizons for Youth Program and is a teacher's aide in science class for primary students.

She is the daughter of David and Cathy Hozza of Bethlehem.

"She's a hard worker who keeps a good balance in her activities," said her father.

FREEDOM HS NOTES

Over 500 graduate June 2

Many of us seniors have been enjoying the last two weeks off with nothing to do but think about our upcoming graduation. So it's given me some time to reflect on our past four years at Freedom.



Lindsey Anderson
Press writer

"Seussical the Musical," based on the works of Dr. Seuss, was the production of the FHS Theatre Company and you could contact me by sending an e-mail to girlofyourdreams90210@yahoo.com. Freedom's first annual bonfire was held the evening preceding the annual Freedom v. Liberty football game. Although it's now hard to imagine Freedom HS without it, the dedication of our new gymnasium took place on Jan. 5, 2007.

Mr. Lewellyn followed us from East Hills to Freedom. The junior/senior prom was first held at the Northampton Community Center, then moved to the Holiday Inn in Fogelsville but ended up this year at DeSales University. Relay for Life Teen Committee was formed and ran occasional bake sales, a Dance-a-Thon, the Children's Book Drive, and the first 5K Run/Walk.

Sophomore year our school's new cafeteria was completed, with two sides of tables that included more seating for students with the food selections in between. The passing time between classes had been reduced to five minutes so there would be less congestion in the hallways. Because of the shortened passing time, the three lunches were lengthened to 37 minutes, only to be changed to four lunch periods the following year but we got a coffee shop. A homeroom was added to the beginning of the school day. And Mr. LaPorta became our new principal. How great were the Library Lattes! And our football team captured the Eastern Conference title.

Isha Jain won the grand prize in the Siemens Competition in Math, Science and Technology, along with a \$100,000 scholarship for her biology project on bone growth in zebra fish fins. "Bye, Bye Birdie" was the spring musical and was the subject of the newly released documentary. Freedom's varsity cheerleaders were the District XI champions. And the Freedom band took an exciting trip to Ireland.

With junior year came our new assistant principal of curriculum, Mrs. Harper. Freedom was granted "Patriot Boulevard" for tailgating prior to the

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Students from St. Ann School will receive a total of \$20,000 in scholarships for the 2010-11 school year. Pictured are Gregg Martino of Aetna, the company that donated the scholarship funds; St. Ann student Jordan London; St. Ann Pastor Msgr. John Mraz; St. Ann Principal Diana Kile; state Sen. Bob Mensch, R-24th District; student Victoria Tramoto; and Dennis Walsh of Bravo Foundation, the nonprofit that received Aetna's donation. Below them are St. Ann students Matthew Bendekovits, Johnathan Bernhard and Caitlin Noone.

St. Ann School receives scholarship money

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Freedom v. Liberty football game. Select members of Student Council attended the McCain/Palin rally at Lehigh University's Stabler Arena. "The Wizard of Oz" was the spring production of the FHS Theatre Company. Some of our classmates were disappointed when funding was cut for the Pa. Govern-

nor's School of Excellence. Cole Clark won the 100m butterfly stroke at districts for swimming. It was finally here, senior year, and we lost the lunch privilege that we so looked forward to. We will remember our Senior Homecoming Dance "Black & Gold Masquerade" evening, which culminated in the crowning of Emily Connors as queen and Lu Ming Hao as king. With Mr. Stellato as the

driving force, Freedom hosted a school-wide fundraiser to benefit the Crossing the Finish Line entitled, "Freedom High School Loves Books." Students collected more than 30,000 books to sell at a book fair in which all the proceeds, over \$10,000, went to the organization to help give cancer patients and their families a paid vacation. The Freedom Forum is now available online. The May issue contains the results of

the Senior Poll and a variety of interviews with the graduating seniors. The third annual Freedom to Liberty Run was held June 5. It was great to see many of our athletes participating as their last farewell. As we celebrate the many accomplishments of Freedom students at the recent academic and athletic award ceremonies, the year really is coming to an end.

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