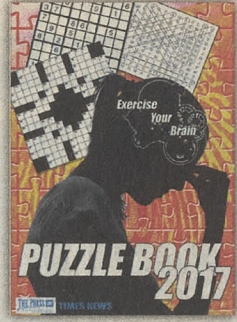




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BASD District faces \$12.5M deficit

BY LIZ KEMMERER
Special to the Bethlehem Press

The preliminary budget for the 2017-18 school year reveals that the district's expenditures exceed its anticipated revenue by \$12.5 million. The district has already begun working to close the gap by June.

Business manager Stacey Gober told the story behind the numbers at the finance committee meeting Jan. 17. It includes increases in employee pension contributions and charter school tuitions with incoming state subsidies remaining relatively flat-lined.

The cost breakdown of the deficit includes \$3.8 million for pensions, \$2.7 million for salaries, \$2.6 million for academic initiatives, \$1.5 million for general operations, \$1.2 million for student tuition and \$704,056 for charter schools.

Expenditures for instruction will increase by 4.08 percent. Support and non-instructional services, which include things like library services, health services, transportation, athletics and student activities, as well as debt services for infrastructure, saw increases from 2.5 percent to 7.77 percent. The summary total for these expenses comes to

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PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN

Dr. Martin Luther King Civil Rights Movement March proceeds along Broadway in South Bethlehem, led by John Baker, event founder, Jasius Allen of Clearview ES, Samad Thorne and march coordinator Frankie West. The Liberty HS Grenadier Band color guard marches in the background.

HONORING DR. KING

'All about overall love'

About 75 marchers braved the wintry weather Jan. 16 and proceeded to Martin Luther King Park on Carlton Avenue in South Bethlehem for a ceremony marking the national holiday honoring Dr. King. Bethlehem's Martin Luther King Civil Rights Movement March originated in 1969, a year after the civil



Spirit Temple Bible Church minister Tina Singleton says a prayer at the start of a reception at St. Bernard's Beneficial Society after the march.

rights leader's death. March founder and Bethlehem native John Baker continues to walk in the annual event at the age of 73. Another civil rights-minded Bethlehem native and Liberty HS graduate, Frankie West, is the event's current coordinator and has been a longtime participant. Our coverage continues on page A2.

PEOPLE SAY

BY DANA GRUBB

Which of the four remaining play-off teams do you think will play in Super Bowl LI?



"Steelers and Packers."
RJ Schuster
Saylorsburg



"Patriots and Green Bay."
Craig McDaniel
Forks Township



"The Packers and the Steelers."
Carla Dudeck
Palmer Township



PRESS PHOTO BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI

Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy lays out the district's initiative priorities for the near future.

Roy shares good news, but worrisome future at luncheon

BY NATE JASTRZEMSKI
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Following an introduction by Bethlehem Area School District solicitor Donald Spry, newly named Pa. Superintendent of the Year Dr. Joseph Roy embodied the responsibilities of his station Jan. 19 by specifying, "I should clarify: That was covered by the retainer and not additional billable hours."

His audience was a ballroom full of area business owners, personalities and supporters at the Hotel Bethle-

hem during the annual Superintendent's State of the District luncheon sponsored by the Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce. Roy was actually under the weather, with members of his family suffering from the flu, but when he was unable to go on and was driven home early, Assistant Superintendent Jack Silva was able to take over.

It was an informative presentation in which Roy and Silva laid out recent successes as well as challenges - and

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"Green Bay and the Patriots are going to the Super Bowl."
Jason Knight
Nazareth



"In my heart I want to see the Packers win the whole thing. Hopefully they'll beat Tom Brady and his Patriots."
Michelle Harvey
Bethlehem Township



"I think it'll be Atlanta and Pittsburgh and I think Pittsburgh can beat them."
Steve Riffert
Nazareth



"It'll be Pittsburgh against Atlanta, with Pittsburgh winning in a shootout."
Ryan Hinkel
Nazareth

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\$214,919,833, up just over \$10 million from last year.

By and large, the greatest increase is the 12.73 percent jump in payments to the Pennsylvania State Employment Retirement System, which manages the pension program for state employees. The district will pay \$33.7 million toward employee pensions in 2017-18, up by \$3.8 million from last year.

These cost increases are the result of the district sharing the burden with the state to replenish the state pension fund. Superintendent Dr. Joseph Roy explained that when markets were steadily growing years ago, the state declared that employees did not have to contribute as much toward retirement, a decision that backfired years later when the stock market dipped. BASD employees currently contribute 7.5 percent of their salaries toward pensions, with the state and district sharing the remaining costs of replenishing the fund. The district will pay 32 percent of this cost-share this year, up from 30 percent last year.

As salaries and benefits consume 60 percent of the entire budget, a graphic provided by Gober showed increases in employee salaries and

benefits versus those of charter school tuitions and pension payments over the last six years. She explained that, in that time, salaries and benefits have increased 2 percent and 4 percent respectively while pension payments have risen by 49 percent.

"If we didn't have that animal to chase, we'd be sitting relatively flat with very moderate increases in salaries and benefits," Gober explained. Roy added, "This speaks to our ability to control costs."

Gober further explained that 14 percent of the total budget, over \$38 million, goes toward tuition for outside student programs, including charter schools, vocational technical schools and community college programs. Of this \$38 million, \$26 million alone is for charter schools, Gober said.

"That's 14 percent of our budget that's going out the door," Gober stated.

Charter school tuition payments went from \$4.8 million in 2009-10 to about \$10 million last year. Gober noted that the \$26 million projected for this year consumes 17 percent of the district's tax base.

According to another graphic representation provided by Gober, costs paid out to charter schools and pensions have risen from \$10 million to \$38 million.

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REMEMBERING DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING



State Representative and Bethlehem resident Steve Samuelsen praises the late Coretta Scott King, who along with her husband Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. are remembered with memorial plaques at Martin Luther King Park.



History teacher Richard Polgar speaks to the gathering with one of his sons, Mason, at his side. "Young people, the future is yours," said Polgar who speaks frequently at the Martin Luther King Jr. memorial event.



Frankie West, a Bethlehem native and coordinator of the annual event, addresses the crowd as grandson Samad Thorne listens. Celebration founder John Baker stands in the background.



Bundled up Tze'tty Soto and her son Prince McDowell are part of the small crowd attending the ceremony on a cold day. Soto, of Bethlehem, said Prince is the grandson of the event's founder, John Baker.



"**Martin Luther King Jr.** was all about overall love, and we need to get back to that," said Liberty HS Principal Harrison Bailey III, the keynote speaker.



Liberty HS Grenadier band member Kayleigh Ackerman performs on a clear, chilly day.

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Who Goes to Heaven?

Some say it seems right to them that all good people go to heaven. Of course, such human inclinations are prone to disastrous error as the Bible points out. "There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death" (Proverbs 16:25). The Bible clearly tells us that the Creator has determined the criteria for who goes to heaven, yet many dream up their own ways to heaven and cling to their own ideas that are poles apart from God's. He states, "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55:9). God gave His Son (John 3:16) and specified Him as the only way to heaven. In John 14:6 Jesus Christ said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me". See more on this at: www.naog.ws/theway.htm Those who go to heaven are those who receive Jesus! "As many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God" (John 1:12).

Human attempts of being good enough to go to heaven are insufficient, "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). Even man's best acts of goodness fall short, "all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags" (Isaiah 64:6). To assert that "all good people go to heaven" is to proudly reject God's way for one's own way. The Bible says, "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of ourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast" (Ephesians 2:8, 9). Will you humbly accept Jesus as your Savior now?



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- Bethlehem Area Public Library:** Call 610-867-3761 (main) or 610-867-7852 (Southside) or visit www.bapl.org (main) or <http://www.bapl.org/ssmain.htm> (Southside)
- Moravian Book Shop:** Call 610-866-5481 or visit www.moravianbookshop.com.

Wednesday, January 25
Japanese for travelers, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Register at www.bapl.org or call 610-867-3761, ext. 499.

Thursday, January 26
Basic Spanish skills, part two; four week class, 6 to 7:45 p.m. Southside branch, 400 Webster St. Bethlehem Public Library, Free; open to the public; registration required. Register at www.bapl.org or phone 610-867-7852.

Friday, January 27
We've Got The Beat dance and jam session. 11 to 11:30 a.m. Youth department, Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Visit www.bapl.org or call 610-867-3761, ext. 499 for information.

Saturday, January 28
3D (Space Maker) printer, free 30 minute sessions, grades six through 12, noon to 4 p.m. Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Registration required; visit www.bapl.org or call 610-867-3761, ext. 499 for information.

BAPL book sale: books, movies, CDs, DVDs, comics, graphic novels and music. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bethlehem Area Public Library, 11 W. Church St. Most credit and debit cards are accepted. Visit www.bestbooksale.org or call 610-867-3761, ext. 235.

The Muslim Association Of Lehigh Valley open house, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the MALV center, 1988 Schadt Ave., Whitehall. Visit <http://malv.org> for information.

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Sunday January 29 to Saturday, February 4
Historic Bethlehem Winter Restaurant Week, Historic Downtown Bethlehem. Visit <http://web.lehighvalleychamber.org/events/Historic-Bethlehem-Winter-Restaurant-Week-835010/details>. Participating restaurants will offer fixed menus for lunch and dinner; restrictions apply. Contact restaurants directly for more information.

Tuesday, January 31
Moravian Archives: The Sifting Time with archivist Paul Peuker, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Registration required, Visit www.bapl.org or call 610-867-3761, ext. 499 for information and to register.

Wednesday, February 1
YWCA/Foreign Policy Association's Great Decisions Lecture Series, "The Future of Europe" with Marc Schleifer, CIPE regional director, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Kirkland Village, 1 Kirkland Village Circle

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MEETING BOARD

Wednesday, January 25
Bethlehem Parking Authority, 4:30 p.m. 85 W. North St.
Bethlehem Zoning Hearing Board, 6 p.m. 10 E. Church St.
 Bethlehem Twp. Zoning Hearing Board, 7 p.m. Municipal building, 4225 Easton Ave.
Lehigh Co. Commissioners, 7:30 p.m. Public hearing room, Gov't. Center, 17 S. Seventh St., Allentown.
BASD regular board, (snow date), 7 p.m. 2005 Chester Road.

Wednesday, February 1
Historical Architectural Review Board, 4 p.m. Town Hall, 10 E. Church St.
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 concerns - for the near future.

Reading proficiency was makes top priority in recent years on the premise that better reading comprehension made learning in all disciplines easier and more comprehensive. Roy said, "When students are on level proficient readers at the end of grade three there's much higher likelihood of success in middle school and high school. We think of it as you spend your first few years learning to read, and after that you read to learn." The district is putting a lot of resources into this initiative and they are beginning to see dramatic results, with elementary schools reporting 90 percent or more of students meeting proficiency at the end of 2016.

Silva later described the high impact of Project Lead The Way, a

nationally-recognized curriculum in integrated engineering and environmental science. "When Chevron, Lockheed-Martin and Toyota interview entry-level candidates for positions in their engineering departments, they ask them two questions: Where did you go to college and get your engineering degree, and were you a Project Lead The Way kid when you were in high school?"

Silva said Liberty and Freedom students are now taking those four-year programs and advancing to much higher levels of performance in preparation for college and careers.

"We want to make sure we have good kids," Silva said. All 16 elementary schools now use the Leader In Me program, using a Seven Habits of Highly Effective Students embedded in the culture. "What we're seeing is students want to remain connected to school, want to be at school, and involving

themselves in higher levels of engagement, which ultimately leads to school success." Likewise, the United Way partnership to develop community schools, which integrates business and education directly with a neighborhood for all-around support, has proven very successful in the city at schools such as Donegan.

Not all the news was good, however. Roy said early on, "State-level politics are killing us," and Silva later explained the issues are cost drivers beyond the district's control.

As both men have said for the last couple years, state pensions and charter school tuition costs continue to climb. Pension costs alone have effectively tripled from \$11 million in 2012-13 to \$33 million in 2017-18.

Additionally, Silva said, "There is a cost for school choice," noting charter schools now cost the district about 10 per-

cent of its entire budget. "Bethlehem Area School District does not have a spending problem - it has a revenue problem," Silva said. "You know there's a lot of talk in the air right now about ending local taxes," he said, and explained such a move would have a significant impact on local control and decision-making by the elected school board. He said a tax shift away from property taxes would necessitate increases in sales and income taxes. Seventy percent of the district's money comes from local taxes, and 27 percent from the state. Only 2.07 percent comes from the federal government. "I don't know how it would all work out as far as delivering equitable funding to local school districts, but I do know there will be a difference in who pays for the operation of their schools. There's a sense of uncertainty."

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lion to over \$60 million - a 510 percent increase - over the past 12 years.

"A lot of that money could have been used to implement student programs and reduce the community tax burden," Roy noted.

Initially, the debt came in at roughly \$15 million, Roy said, and has been reduced to \$12.5 million after making some difficult programming decisions that will play out in the classroom. According to assistant superintendent Dr. Jack Silva, likely to take a hit are curriculum revisions in subject areas such as social studies, art and technology, after-school and summer program-

ming, classroom technology purchases, professional development and Excellence Through Equity initiatives.

"That's \$2 million dollars that would have been available for these programs," Roy said.

Programs remaining top priority include Reading by Third Grade (RBG3), revisions in the math curriculum and Project Lead The Way, for which funds are being used to complete an engineering series at the high school level and an upcoming series in biomedicine, Silva said.

Also not to be touched are collective impact efforts that include Community Schools and local partnerships, beginning elementary school Spanish language learning, the

high school computer science program that enables students to earn computer science credits before graduation, and personalized instruction initiatives.

"We have to keep our foot on the gas on these initiatives or we won't see the long-range benefits and returns of these investments," Silva explained.

Silva alluded to the additions and enhancements to educational programming the district could have made with the \$26 million paid in charter school tuitions.

"If the purpose of a charter is to offer something that you can't offer at a normal school, we would have offered it if we'd had the funds to do so," Silva said.

The district intends

to ask permission from the state to increase local taxation over the 3.1 percent limit established in Act 1 of 2006. According to this Act, districts may apply for exceptions for certain expenditures. Roy says that this measure is to help ensure that the district is not "handcuffed" and it does not mean that the community would see a significant tax increase. The district will continue to chisel at the deficit from now until June, he said.

A special board meeting will be held Feb. 13 to adopt the preliminary budget. Subsequent budget workshops will take place March 29 and April 26, with the tentative final budget adoption slated for May 15 and the final budget adoption for June 19.

Nothstein is new Lehigh Co. chair

BY MARK RECCEK
 Special to the Bethlehem Press

Lehigh County Board of Commissioners recently met to reorganize for 2017.

Marty Nothstein of Lowhill Township was elected to serve as chair of the board and Amanda Holt of Upper Macungie Township is to serve as vice chairperson.

Nothstein replaces Commissioner Brad Osborne and Holt replaces Michael Schware.

In an email to The Press Jan. 6, Nothstein said he is excited to serve as chair and lead the nine

member board.

"I am honored to be voted in as chair of the Lehigh County Board of Commissioners," he said. "I look forward to serving the citizens of our great county and continuing the hard work and efforts the board has achieved to date."

Osborne reflected on his time as chair, while noting progress made.

"I am pleased to have served as chairman for the last two years," Osborne told The Press. "In that time, we've reduced taxes twice and passed several significant pieces

of legislation unanimously. These accomplishments are a testament to the board's conviction to serve our residents in a bipartisan fashion. People want their government to work for them, and we delivered."

Nothstein praised Osborne for serving as chair.

"Commissioner Osborne has done a fantastic job leading our board the last two years," he said. "His professionalism and attention to detail is second to none."

"Marty will prove to be a strong and effective

leader, and continue the success we've had in the last several years," Osborne added.

Nothstein also said he is looking forward to working with county Executive Tom Muller in 2017.

Also during the meeting, the board's 2017 meeting schedule was set. The board meets 7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of each month in the public hearing room of the Lehigh County Government Center, 17 S. Seventh St.

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Catherine Frances Bodock

St. Luke's pediatric nurse

Catherine Frances Bodock, 86, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 13, 2017. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late John and Anna (Batley) Bodock.

She was a 1948 graduate of Liberty HS. She earned a nursing degree from St. Luke's Nursing School.

She was a nurse for the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Sitka, Alaska, caring for children with tuberculosis. She was, for 40 years, a registered nurse and head nurse in the pediatric department and worked in maternity, all at St. Luke's Hospital, until

she retired in 1992.

She was a parishioner of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

She is survived by a sister, Bernadine Grow of Hellertown; a brother, John Bodock of Hamburg; two nieces, Diane and her husband Rich Luybli and Catherine Bodock Beam and her husband John Beam; two nephews, David Grow and Michael and his wife Lee Bodock; three great-nephews; and one great-niece.

Contributions may be made to St. Luke's School of Nursing, c/o development, 801 Ostrum St., Bethlehem, PA 18015.

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

Ronald D. Krause

of VIA workshop

Ronald D. Krause, 77, formerly of Bethlehem, died Jan. 10, 2017, at Lehigh Commons, Lower Macungie Township. Born in Allentown, he was a son of the late Alvin R. and Edith F. (Yeakel) Krause.

He worked in the workshop at VIA of the Lehigh Valley Inc., Bethlehem, for more than 50 years.

He was a member of Rosemont Lutheran

Church, Bethlehem.

He is survived by a companion, Peggy Schwartz; and friend and guardian, Timothy J. Duckworth, Esq.

Contribution may be made to VIA of the Lehigh Valley, Inc. 336 W. Spruce St., Bethlehem, PA 18018.

Arrangements were made by Heintzelman Funeral Home Inc., Schnecksville.

Ann T. Cmorey

Sokols member

Ann T. Cmorey, 96, formerly of Bethlehem and most recently of West Chester, died Jan. 10, 2017. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Felix and Anna (Norko) Cmorey.

She worked for many years at Holtz and Company.

She was a member of Ss. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church, now Incarnation of Our Lord Parish.

She was a member of the Slovak Catholic Sokols.

She is survived by nieces; nephews; grand-

nieces; grandnephews; great-grandnieces and great-grandnephews. She was predeceased by eight brothers and sisters, Elizabeth, Helen, Agnes, Margaret, Mary, George, John and Michael.

Contributions may be made to the church, 617 Pierce St., Bethlehem, PA 18015; and/or Chenoa Manor Animal Sanctuary, 733 Glen Willow Road, Avondale, PA 19311.

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John E. Leszcynski Jr.

worked at Bethlehem Steel

John E. Leszcynski Jr., 87, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 10, 2017. He was a son of the late John E. Sr. and Mary Elizabeth (Baran) Leszcynski. He was the husband of the late Mildred Leszcynski.

He was in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

He worked for the Bethlehem Steel Corporation and later with Mack Truck until he retired.

He is survived by a daughter, Marianne and her husband Jeffrey Haldaman; a sister, Mary Jo Steager; four grandchildren, Adrian and

his wife Krista Cabassa, Daria Cabassa, Lauren and her husband Frank Freeman and Kyle Kesack; eight great-grandchildren; nieces; and nephews.

He was predeceased by a sister, Betty Kent; and two brothers, Joseph R. Leszcynski and Michael Ontko; and daughter, Regina Leszcynski.

Contributions may be made to St. Luke's Hospice.

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Edmund W. Reybitz

Ghost Catholic Church member

Edmund W. Reybitz, 95, of Bethlehem and a longtime resident of Kirkland Village, died Jan. 9, 2017, at Kirkland Village. Born in Bethlehem, he was the son of the late Pauline and Andrew Reybitz. He was the husband of the late Claire M. (Baur) Reybitz for 58 years.

He was in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II.

He worked for Bethlehem Steel Corp. and until he retired after 42 years.

He was a member of Holy Ghost Catholic Church, Bethlehem.

A gardener, he started many of the gardens at Kirkland Village.

He is survived by a daughter, Barbara and her husband Dennis Podhayay; a son,

Edmund; a son-in-law, James DiGiacinto; a daughter-in-law, Lauren Reybitz; six grandchildren, Christine and her husband Terry, Catherine, Drew, Megan and her husband Todd, Emily and Matthew; and three great-grandchildren, Luke, Rose Marie and Evelyn.

He was predeceased by a daughter, Mary Anne DiGiacinto; five brothers; and six sisters.

Contributions may be made to Kirkland Village Benevolent Care Fund, One Kirkland Village Circle, Bethlehem, PA 18017; or to Holy Ghost Catholic Church, 417 Carlton Ave., Bethlehem, PA 18015.

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

Charles J. Sciascia Sr.

former MORA Club secretary

Charles J. Sciascia Sr., 93, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 11, 2017. Born in Phillipsburg, N.J., he was a son of the late Vincenzo and Josephine (Amore) Sciascia.

He was a 1941 graduate of Phillipsburg HS.

He was in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. Upon honorable discharge, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force Reserves and was promoted to the rank of major.

He was a dental equipment repair technician/trouble-shooter and a jack of all trades.

He was a member of the Air Force Association and was a scoutmaster for Miller Heights Troop 46 and the Explorers. He was a former secretary of the MORA Club, Bethlehem.

He is survived by four children, Lauren P. Taylor of Bethlehem

Township, Michael C. of Bethlehem, Charles J. Jr. and his wife Jacqueline of San Antonio, Texas and Brenda J. Dennis of Bethlehem; two brothers James Sciascia of New Village, N.J. and Thomas and wife Nancy Sciascia of Harmony Township, N.J.; four grandchildren, Stephen and his wife Julie and Jonathan and Nick Taylor of California, Lauren and her husband Chris Nikkel of Texas and Jeremy and his wife Nami-sha Sciascia of Arizona; five great-grandchildren; nieces; and nephews.

He was predeceased by three sisters, Charlotte Marchione, Mary Bianco and Marguerite Rounsaville; and a brother, Salvatore.

Contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, 4899 Belfort Road, Suite 300, Jacksonville, Fla. 32256.

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

Anne F. (Adams) Sinnott

worked for Allentown Diocese

Anne F. (Adams) Sinnott, 98, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 12, 2017, at Holy Family Manor. She was the wife of the late William (Bill) Sinnott.

She was a graduate of Bethlehem Catholic HS and Bethlehem Business School.

She worked for the Bethlehem Steel Corp., the Bethlehem Council on Alcoholism and the Diocese of Allentown.

She is survived by three daughters, Jane S. and her husband John Klucsik, Anne S. and her husband Gregory Skutches and Helen S. and her husband Rodney Hartzell; a brother, Martin and his wife Rita Adams; nine grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; nieces; and neph-

ews. She was a communicant at St. Anne's Church, where she was active in Girl Scouts, the sodality and the senior club.

She volunteered with the band and basketball programs at Bethlehem Catholic HS.

She was predeceased two daughters, Maryanne C. Domcheck and Eileen S. Young; two grandsons, Brian O. Young and Stephen L. Klucsik; a sister, Sister Bernice Adams, S.S.J.; and three brothers, Pat, Tom and Frank Adams.

Contributions may be made to St. Anne's Church, Holy Family Manor or a charity of one's choice.

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

Helen D. Garza

billing department retiree

Helen D. Garza, 83, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 13, 2017. Born in Bethlehem, she was a daughter of the late Brigid G. and Beatrice (Cortez) Garza.

She was a 1951 graduate of Liberty HS.

She worked in the billing department of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation and retired in 1985.

She was a parishioner of Holy Infancy Catholic Church.

She is survived by three sisters, Pilar Ziegenfuss of Virginia, Josephine and her husband Pedro Perez of Bethlehem and Eleanor Bencak of Lancaster; a

brother, Richard and his wife Jean Garza of Bethlehem; nieces; and nephews.

She was predeceased by three sisters, Lupe Stass, Andrea "Bage" Garza and Ernestine Wolf; and a brother, Brigid "Chick" Garza.

Contributions may be made to the church, 312 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem, PA 18015; and/or Sisters of St. Joseph Villa, 110 W. Wissahickon Ave., Flourtown, PA 19031.

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

Felix Daniel Santiago

Golden Glove boxer

Felix Daniel Santiago, 76, of Breinigsville, died Jan. 11, 2017, at Lehigh Valley Hospital, Allentown. Born in Ponce, Puerto Rico, he was a son of the late Vicenta Cruz and Felix Santiago. He was the husband of Theresa "Snooky" (Strohl) Santiago for 58 years.

He worked for Allen A. Myers Construction, from which he retired after 35 years.

A dedicated Christian and a Sunday school teacher, he was a corps sergeant with the Salvation Army for 13 years.

He was a former Golden Glove boxer and played Triple-A baseball. He was the first Hispanic baseball player to be inducted into the Blue Mountain

League Hall of Fame. He was a volunteer with Hogar Crea.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by six children, Daniel and his wife Christiane, Cynthia Santiago Pham, Dawn, Randy and his wife Melissa, Jennifer and her husband Pastor Chamorro and Matthew and wife Stephanie; 16 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; 18 brothers and sisters; nieces; nephews; and a brother-in-law, Edward Strohl.

Contributions may be made Matthew Santiago, c/o the funeral home, 245 E. Broad St., Bethlehem, PA 18018.

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

Karen Elizabeth Demers

formerly of Edison

Karen Elizabeth Demers, 64, of Bethlehem and formerly of Edison, N.J., died Dec. 30, 2016, while in the care of St. Luke's Hospice House, Lower Saucon Township. Born in Elizabeth, N.J., she was a daughter of the late Andrew J. and Elizabeth (Mahon) Demers. She was the wife of the late Michael Pollara.

She worked in various jobs.

She is survived by two sons, Michael T. and his wife Joanne Demers

of Breinigsville and Jared McDonald of Trenton, N.J.; a brother, Michael J. and his wife Judith Demers of Perth Amboy, N.J.; two sisters, Rosemary and her husband Ralph Headley of Bricktown, N.J. and Janet and her husband Richard Woodall of Tampa, Fla.; a sister-in-law, Eva Demers of Hillburn, N.Y.; and a granddaughter, Rhiannon Demers.

She was predeceased by a sister, Linda Demers; and a brother, Andrew Demers.

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

Richard J. Wurst

of Frey's Country Store

Richard J. Wurst, 51, of Bethlehem, died Dec. 29, 2016. Born in Philadelphia, he was a son of James M. and Irene M. (Gora) Wurst. He was the partner of F. Harold Frey.

He and his partner were the owners and caterers of Frey's Country Store, where he worked for 31 years. He man-

aged and specialized in home remodeling.

In addition to his partner, he is survived by two brothers, James M. and his wife Kathy and David R. and his wife Jennifer; and two sisters, Deborah and her husband Vard Transue and Susan A. and her husband Michael Marshall.

Arrangements were made by Schmoyer Funeral Home, Breinigsville.

Helen "Fran" Doyle

owned realty and business services

Helen "Fran" Doyle, 79, of Bethlehem, died Jan. 13, 2017. Born in Easton, she was a daughter of the late Helen Sarah McNicholas Wilson and George Joseph Wilson Sr.

She was a 1955 graduate of Easton Catholic HS. She earned an associate degree from Northampton County Community College. She attended Dale Carnegie classes.

She owned and operated Century 21 Fran Doyle Inc. and Doyle's Business Services Accounting and Tax Preparation, Bethlehem. She was a certified real estate instructor, real estate sales agent, broker and associate broker for 30 years.

She was a redevelopment committee member and chairperson for the City of Bethlehem for 25 years. An officer for the Bethlehem Board of Realtors, she was a founding member of the merging of the Easton, Bethlehem and Allentown boards into the Greater Lehigh Valley Board of Realtors. She was a past president of Bethlehem Association of Realtors.

She was a sponsor of Musikfest and Celtic Fest Inc. and was on a PBS advisory committee. She opened the Lehigh Valley Real Estate Learning Center. She was a member of the Pennsylvania Fair Housing Committee.

She assisted Sister Virginia Longcope with the starting of the Stephen's Place and Lexi's Dream projects, both in Bethlehem.

She is survived by a son, Michael of Youngstown, Ohio; a daughter, Colleen and her husband Charles Tomko; two grandsons, Shaun and Jesse of Coopersburg; a son, James of Bethlehem; a sister, Marjorie Leiby of Easton; a brother, James Wilson of California; and a nephew raised as a son, Thomas Wilson of Canada.

She was predeceased by three brothers, George Jr., Robert, and Thomas Wilson.

Contributions may be made to Stephen's Place, 729 Ridge St. Bethlehem, PA 18015.

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Paul Chernaskey Chernay

St. Nicholas Russian O.C. member

Paul Chernaskey Chernay, 90, of Coopersburg, died Jan. 5, 2017, after an illness. Born in Fountain Hill, he was a son of the late Roman and Fiona (Orischak) Chernaskey. He was the husband of the late Betty Jo (Bussey) Chernay for 52 years.

He was an Aviation Electrician's Mate 2nd Class in Europe and North Africa in the U.S. Navy and was a World War II veteran.

He owned Chernay Printing Inc., PBC Guitars Inc. and Paul's Cantina; he had many successes in real estate as well.

He was a member of the St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church, Bethlehem.

He was on the board of St. Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary. He was a recipient of an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters the Orthodox Church in America and of the St. Innocent of Alaska Silver Award of the O.C.A.

He is survived by a twin sister, Pauline Kasick; three grandchildren, Lisa Ward Arnold and husband Barri-Jami, Laura Ward, and Nicholas Chernay; nieces; and nephews.

He was predeceased by a son, Gregory P. Chernay; a daughter, Paula Jo Ward; and eight siblings, John Tronovich, Anna Tronovich Lasko, Eva Tronovich Klock, Tessie Chernaskey Check, Mary Chernaskey Kroboth, Catherine Chernaskey Rocco, Helen Chernaskey Fella and Raymond Chernaskey.

Contributions may be made to St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church, 980 Bridle Path Rd., Bethlehem, PA 18017; and / or St. Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary, P.O. Box 130, South Canaan, PA 18459.

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

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

Brown: NorCo cooperating in Packer Investigation

BY BERNIE O'HARE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Sara Packer, an ex-adoption supervisor in Northampton County and foster mother to at least 30 children, has been charged in the brutal rape, murder and dismemberment of her 15-year-old adopted daughter, Grace. This situation has raised all kinds of questions about how Packer was hired and promoted, and why she was fired.

Packer was terminated in 2010, shortly before her then husband was charged with molesting a foster child, as well as Grace. How many cases did she handle? Since another NorCo Children, Youth and Family (CYF) caseworker was sentenced to 12 years in 2010 in state prison for sexually molesting a child in his care, is this a cause for concern?

Northampton County officials have not responded to reporters for weeks after this story was first reported, but late last Thursday afternoon, Executive John Brown released a statement about the Packer case.

Emailed just two hours before Northampton County Council's Human Services Committee was scheduled to meet, Brown's statement includes facts that have already been established independently by news outlets. The only new detail provided is that, among the 30 foster children Sara Packer had over the years, one was from Northampton County. Brown made clear that this foster child was placed with Packer before she was ever hired, and is now over 21. He did not say whether this former foster child has been interviewed, but did state his office is cooperating fully in a state investigation.

Brown also defended the 125 employees in the county's CYF.

"[T]hese individuals devote their lives to the safety and well-being of children," he said. "On a daily basis, they go willingly into situations that would make most people feel uncomfortable, repulsed, or even frightened. They do the job that very few people have the guts to do, in order to keep children safe. There is no greater contribution to our society and these workers deserve our gratitude."

Brown's statement was released two hours after Bethlehem Attor-

ney Lamont McClure, a former member of county council for 10 years, declared his candidacy for Brown's job. In his announcement, McClure called on Brown "to fully explain and put the people of Northampton County at ease with respect to what [Sara Packer's] role was, what she did, what cases she handled. ...[T]he people of Northampton County are entitled to an answer."

Though Brown and other county officials chose not to respond to questions from reporters such as NBC10's Deanna Durante, Durante was placed in touch with Controller Steve Barron by council member Ken Kraft. Barron was able to confirm details about Packer's employment with the county as an adoption supervisor, and the story went viral, reaching as far away as Japan.

"Basically, no one else would speak," Barron explained. "I would." Barron's career began in Human Services and included changing diapers for disabled adults.

Durante appeared at council's Jan. 19 Human Services Committee. Despite the arrest of the county's former adoption supervisor for allegedly murdering her own adopted daughter, Chairman Seth Vaughn did not request the presence of CYF Director Kevin Dolan, if only to reassure the public. The matter was not even listed on the agenda. Human Services Director Allison Frantz, who is recovering from a medical procedure, was also absent.

Vaughn's Human Services Committee was unable to answer Durante's questions and deferred questions to the solicitor. Committee members expressed concerns about the confidentiality owed to employees, as well as children in the Northampton County system.

"This is the committee that oversees health and human services, is it not?" Durante asked.

Eventually, Brown got up and read his statement into the record. He had not forwarded a copy to council, and apologized.

Barron told council that Brown's statement revealed "too little, too late." He said Brown's reluctance to answer basic questions about Packer, who was fired several years before Brown became execu-

tive, was damaging to CYF staffers.

"They have been hung out to dry by this administration," Barron charged. "They are too good for that. The supervisors deserve much, much better than what this administration gave them, and quite honestly, he owes them an apology. He owes the taxpayers an apology. I'm sick of the radio silence when simple questions are asked."

Brown shot back that Barron had improperly furnished a county employee's social security number to reporters. The day after Brown and Barron publicly traded barbs, Barron's computer access to employee records was shut down for "intentionally" disclosing a social security number, according to an email Barron received from Human Resources Director Amy Trapp.

Though Barron denies deliberately furnishing social security numbers to anyone, a WFMZ-TV video of Barron at his computer, published Jan. 10, did reveal Packer's social security number for under a second. There was nothing to identify that number as Packer's. When Barron became aware of this on Friday, he contacted WFMZ-TV69, and the station immediately removed the video.

Barron contended that Brown could have done this himself, but instead allowed this private information to remain in the public domain so he could retaliate during a public meeting. Barron has asked for a meeting with county officials to have his access to records restored.

When the full County Council met later Thursday evening, Durante was rebuffed a second time. Council members were unwilling to answer any questions about their former adoption supervisor.

They did, however, listen to an anti-sludge contingent opposed to Synagro's proposal to convert sludge into Class A biosolids at the Plainfield Township Waste Management landfill, where raw sludge is currently being dumped.

NorCo Council has no authority to interfere in local zoning questions, but is considering a nonbinding resolution to condemn this business plan as potentially harmful to the environment.



PRESS PHOTO BY TIM GILMAN

On a mild winter's day

Skating together at the City of Bethlehem ice rink on Illick's Mill Road are friends Rich Ocelus, Trent Stayley, Ragen Mugavero and Tom Leauber. "We come here all the time, it's a great place to skate," said Leauber, wearing an orange Flyers sweatshirt. "It's a great bang for your buck," added Leauber, who lives in East Allentown. According to Lehigh Valley AccuWeather the temperature Sunday reached a high of 50 degrees, above a normal of 36. The low was a reported 42 degrees, above normal of 19 for that date.

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Gracedale: First profit since 2007

BY BERNIE O'HARE
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Though final numbers are still pending, Executive John Brown reported to Northampton County Council Jan. 19 that he expects Gracedale, the county-owned nursing home, to finish 2016 about \$800,000 in the black. If those numbers hold, it will be the first time since 2007 that the facility turned a profit.



Executive John Brown reports \$800,000 profit at Gracedale.

Brown said the primary reason for this is an injection of \$2.4 million of federal funds into the facility under a revived program that allows public nursing homes to pool their money and seek matching grants. Brown expects that program to continue this year. This profit excludes the money the county received from its recent sale of 37 nursing home bed licenses

for slightly more than \$800,000.

But it fails to include over \$1.5 million in capital expenditures last year. Brown conceded that the nursing home would still show a loss if those figures were included. Brown said the turnaround is the result of incremental changes made over the years to maximize population. He said the challenge

going forward is to maintain that bed count in a very competitive market. He indicated costs will continue to increase, but that revenue has been maximized. "It's still a fragile entity," he said, noting that "the slightest bump" could reverse the situation.

"This is a day I wasn't sure I'd see," said Council President John Cusick.

The Gracedale census went down in December as a result of 32 deaths that month, which is higher than normal. Currently, there are about 20 fewer residents than Administrator Raymond Soto would like to see. Nationwide, he said nursing homes were at their lowest occupancy level in the last quarter of 2016 than at any time since 2005.

Patients receiving See **PROFIT** on Page A6

Eagle project benefits city park



Eagle Scout Nicholas LaRoza, with his project log in hand, will have to meet with Minsi Trail Council board of review to verify the completion of his Eagle Scout project.



PRESS PHOTOS BY DANA GRUBB

Joined by City of Bethlehem recreation administrator Jane Persa and his parents, Steve and Dawn, Nicholas LaRoza pins the first information notice into the Monocacy Park kiosk he constructed as his Eagle Scout project.

BY DANA GRUBB

Special to the Bethlehem Press

He said the idea was brought to his attention by Dr. Ed Hart, treasurer for the Monocacy Chapter of Trout Unlimited and a member of the Boy Scout Troop committee. Erik Broesicke, president of the Monocacy Chapter, said the kiosk will provide public information about Trout Unlimited's programming and programming by other environmental organi-

zations such as Appalachian Mountain Club, currently located in the Illick's Mill.

Hart said that the kiosk, dubbed "The Monocacy Information Center," could also provide information about the local habitat and wildlife, events and other announcements that promote the park and stream.

LaRoza said his project was funded by himself and donations by friends and family and that he was assisted

in constructing it by family, other scouts and scout leaders. He said the real challenge was in designing the kiosk.

"It was a completely new experience," said LaRoza, who must present his project to the Minsi Trail Council's board of review.

He presented keys for the information center to City of Bethlehem recreation administrator Jane Persa to formally turn the completed product over to the city.

LCCC

Grant writing class offered Jan. 28

Lehigh Carbon Community College (LCCC) is offering an art of grant writing noncredit class from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Jan. 28 at the Donley Center, Allentown.

Individuals such as board members, community volunteers and business managers will learn how to strengthen the impact of their business by researching and developing key grant proposals and examining types of funding sources, including private donations, and much more.

There is a cost. To register or for more course information, visit www.lccc.edu, call 610-799-1197 or email ncregistrar@mymail.lccc.edu.

NORCO

Annual 4-H seedling sale ends Feb. 1

The Northampton County 4-H annual tree / fruit seedling sale orders will be taken through Feb. 1. The sale benefits countywide 4-H programs such as camps, fairs, trips and the annual achievement banquet.

Some of the fruit varieties available are Honeycrisp and Nittany apples, Seckel and Golden Russet Bosc pears, and peach, cherry and nectarine seedlings. Tree seedlings include pine, spruce, fir, cedar and oak, plus arbovitae, dogwood and more.

For order forms, email NorthamptonExt@psu.edu or call 610-746-1970.

DLARC

D&L trail talk

set for Feb. 2

The free, open to the public Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 2, at Bethlehem Township Community Center, 2900 Farmersville Road. The topic will be "Get Your Tail on the Delaware-Lehigh Trail" by Elissa Garofalo.

The program is this year's club's annual special presentation, not necessarily radio related, but of general interest.

No registration is required. For information, visit www.dlarc.org; ham radio KE3AW@ARRL.NET; or call 610-432-8286.

ALLENTOWN

AARP meeting

set for Feb. 2

Allentown AARP Chapter No. 5415 will meet at noon Feb. 2 at St. Timothy's Church, 140 So. Ott St., Allentown.

Program will be Tony Wolchasty, of Fraud-Watch Network.

Non-members and guests are welcome.

Bring a non-perishable food item for the Allentown Food Bank.

For more information, call 610-437-4265.

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February is

dental month

February is children's dental health month. Tooth decay is the most common childhood disease. Fifty-one million teachable school hours are missed annually due to dental disease.

St. Luke's University Health Network is asking for donations of dental products such as toothbrushes, toothpaste and dental floss.

Items may be dropped off in bins located at Liberty and Freedom HS, East Hills and Broughal MS and Donegan, Fountain Hill, Freemansburg and Marvine ES.

FOUNTAIN HILL

Year's business begins with 2017 resolutions

BY TRACY RICE

Special to the Bethlehem Press

The first council meeting of the new year was held Jan. 3 and all members were present except for Helen Halle-

man, Health and Sanitation Committee chair.

Mayor Jose Rosado wished everyone a Happy New Year. He thanked the Fountain Hill Fire Department for making Operation San-

ta a success. This toy delivery is special for so many families. Fifty-four stops were made throughout the borough by Santa. It went very well.

Police Chief Ed Bach-

ert said his department did a toy run to visit St. Luke's hospital on Christmas day. He also said there were 100 wreaths left over from Wreaths Across America that were delivered to local businesses. It was the first year Wreaths Across America had placed wreaths in the Fountain Hill cemetery.

President Larry Rapp gave a warm welcome to Bethany Sebesta, finance director/assistant to the executive administrator, for her promotion.

Resolutions for 2017 were presented and approved, though the resolution which will set the year's pool rates was tabled and will be sent to the Recreation Committee and will be added to

the workshop meeting for further discussion. You can see all the resolutions at the Fountain Hill Borough office.

Bethany Sebesta, assistant to the executive administrator, and Tony Branco, executive administrator, are working on uploading content to a new server for the new website. Sebesta said, "This is a long and tedious process, but it will get done."

Council adjourned for a short executive session to discuss a real estate matter. When they returned a motion made to authorize council to send a letter of intent to negotiate the purchase of 950 Cherokee St. for the Fountain Hill Fire Department. The motion was approved.

PROFIT

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one-to-one care have been reduced from 10 to four.

Gracedale was fined \$2,500 by the state Department of Health last month as a result of a caretaker's decision to seek help when a resident threatened suicide in September. When left alone for a short peri-

od, the resident broke a magnifying glass and slit her wrists. According to Soto, the proper procedure would have been to remain with the resident and help. Soto remains concerned that the nursing home's current 4-star rating from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) could be reduced to a 3-star rating, leading to lower reimbursements.

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Habitat dedicates Garrison St. home

Rafael Toledo and his wife moved their family to the Lehigh Valley in 2012 to give their children a better life. The Toledos work locally and saw the Habitat for Humanity homeownership program as an opportunity to own their home.

They wanted to stay on the north side of Bethlehem; however, when they applied in 2013, Habitat LV had only ever built one home on the north side. Rafael prayed and his prayers were rewarded when the Bethlehem Redevelopment Authority contacted Habitat LV about the property at 18 West Garrison St. and the Toledos soon started the work of each doing 250 hours of "sweat equity" in their home and on other Habitat LV projects.

Eighteen W. Garrison St. is the 112th home that Habitat for Humanity of the Lehigh Valley (Habitat LV) has completed since 1989, when the local affil-

ate was started. The site was acquired by the Bethlehem Redevelopment Authority when it became blighted. The Bethlehem Redevelopment Authority covered the cost of removing the old home and turned the property over to Habitat in late 2014.

In March 2015, Habitat LV started site work and in September 2016 had a Blitz Build with over 50 volunteers to put the home up. Over the fall months Habitat LV staff, Core Volunteers and Team Builders completed the fit-out of the home to get it ready for the Toledo family.

See HOME on Page A8

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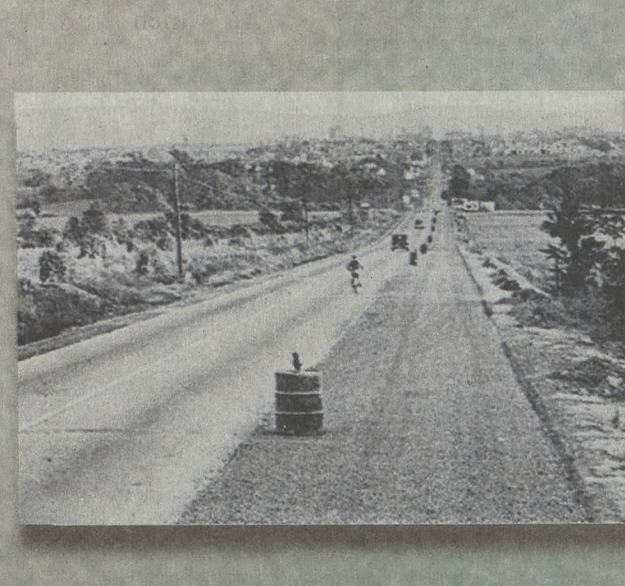
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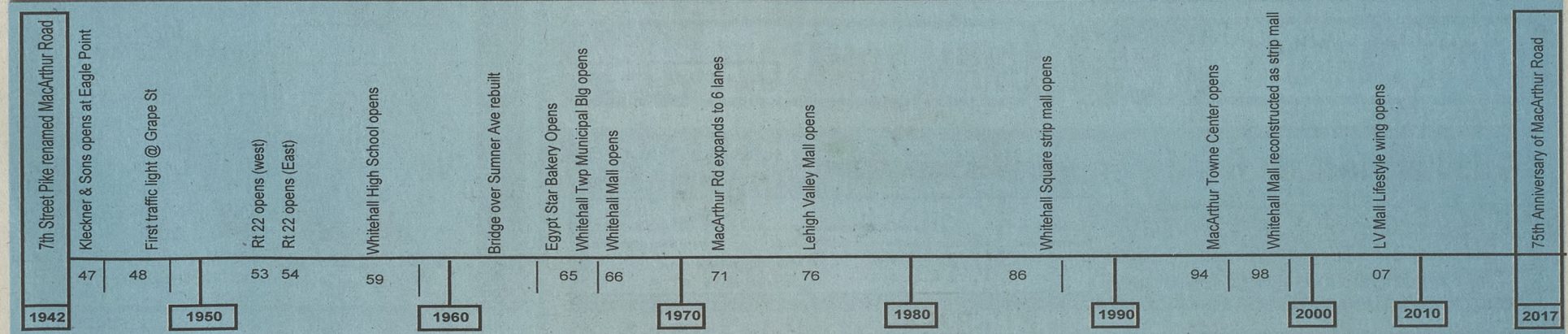
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Council renames city departments

BY MICHELLE MEEH
Special to the Bethlehem Press

What's in a name? City council members asked that question as they discussed renaming committees to align with recent changes in city department responsibilities.

Members of the Parks and Public Property Committee met before the city council meeting Jan. 10 to discuss the name of the committee and its responsibilities.

In November 2016, council approved consolidating the parks and public works departments, which will include about \$400,000 in savings in the city budget. The move included putting care of city buildings under the Public Works Department instead of the

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Parks Department. The Parks and Public Property Committee will change its name to Parks and Recreation. Public works will oversee water, sewer, engineering maintenance, city property and buildings.

Changing the title of the committee to reflect this change was relatively easy. Council member Adam Waldron said, "I don't think it matters what we call it." Council member Shawn Martel agreed, and Council member Eric Evans said the name change to Department of Public Works was consistent with current practice in other cities.

Committee chair Eric Evans reported to

council that the committee also discussed an exchange of real estate between the Parking Authority and the city. Council approved the exchange of real estate as part of the parking garage project at Third and New streets.

During the full council meeting, Council President J. William Reynolds gave his annual report, noting city council held three meetings off site during 2016 to reach out to residents. Council members also approved 45 ordinances, 241 resolutions, and held 21 committee meetings, Reynolds said.

In other business, Council member Bryan Callahan, chair of the Finance Committee, re-

ported that the committee met Jan. 10 to discuss non-utility capital and sewer related projects. City council is expected to address these at the Feb. 7 meeting.

Council also discussed the Wayfinding project, which involves placing signs throughout the city directing residents and visitors to various venues. Martel said the uniform signage is "a great project" and Evans asked for a timeline on the first phase of the project. Director of Planning and Zoning Darlene Heller said they are working with vendor Allied Environmental Signage on logistics now and the first group of signs will probably be installed in spring 2017.

Reynolds said, "It is good to see this moving forward."

PASR celebrates 50 years, installs officers

BY JENNIFER BODISCH
Special to The Press

The Lehigh Chapter of the Pa. Association of School Retirees (PASR) recently celebrated 50 years of its charter with the state association.

The group met at Iron Lakes Country Club for the celebration attended by PASR state officers.

The event was also a

time for honoring outgoing officers and installing new officers for the 2017-18 year.

PASR Region 2 director Joan Glass announced that the Lehigh Chapter was the only chapter in the state to "successfully complete all of the Goals and Activities established by the state association."

Glass also presented a Certificate of Commendation to chapter president Linda Bortz in recognition of its 50th year anniversary.

Bortz then presented the John J. Dillon Award to William Bedics, who served as treasurer the past four years.

Gary A. Parker, PASR state president-elect in-

stalled newly elected officers Linda Bortz, president and Allentown School District retiree; Thomas Newhard, president-elect and retiree of Southern Lehigh; Edward Richards, treasurer and RECREO treasurer and East Penn retiree; and Eileen Stinson, recording secretary an East Penn retiree.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY, Greater Lehigh Valley needs volunteers (age 21+) to drive cancer patients to scheduled treatments. Drivers must have a valid driver's license, a good driving record, a reliable vehicle and proof of insurance, complete a background check and driver check and attend a brief orientation. Contact Jennifer Washney at 570-562-9749, ext. 320 or email Jennifer.washney@cancer.org.

CENTER FOR HUMANISTIC CHANGE, Allentown is seeking reliable, friendly volunteers to act as receptionist on weekdays. Volunteers can set their own schedule 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Responsibilities include greeting guests and visitors, answering phones, transferring calls, taking thorough messages, signing for packages and light data entry, etc. as time/talent permits. Training and guidance will be provided. Contact Angie Heiland at 610-443-1595 or email aheiland@thechc.org.

CENTER FOR VISION LOSS, Allentown is looking for volunteers to do home visits, read mail and provide companionship. Volunteers also are needed to drive customers to doctor appointments, shopping or center activities. Hours are flexible and are determined by need. Training will be provided. Contact Rita Lang at 610-433-6018 or email rita.lang@centerforvisionloss.org.

COMMUNITY BIKE WORKS, Allentown needs "Earn-A-Bike" instructors for children ages nine to 17. Volunteers will mentor and assist children in repairing bicycles. The commitment is 6 to 8 p.m. one night a week for 12 weeks. No experience is necessary. Training will be provided. Contact Dave Edinger at 610-434-1140 or email dedinger@communitybikeworks.org.

PINEBROOK-COMPEER OF THE LEHIGH VALLEY needs volunteers for one-on-one friendship matches. Compeer matches volunteers from the community with members who are in stable, mental health recovery. Volunteers spend time with the member doing things like talking over a cup of coffee, taking a walk, going to a free concert and many more. Hours are flexible and available in both Northampton and Lehigh counties. Contact 610-774-1450 or email compeer@pbfalv.org.

SHARECARE FAITH IN ACTION, Bethlehem, is looking for volunteer drivers (18+ years) to help safely transport people who are elderly and/or disabled to and from doctor appointments and with grocery shopping in the Lehigh Valley. Volunteers are also needed to help others who can't get out on their own through visitation, socializing and taking them out of their home environment. All volunteers are asked to attend a two hour orientation/training. Contact Cheryl Wilson at 610-867-2177 or email sharecare8@aol.com.

THE GRESS MOUNTAIN RANCH, Orefield, is an animal sanctuary for 70+ pets and farm animals rescued from abuse or neglect. Volunteers are needed to feed/water the ranch animals, perform environmental clean-up and do ground maintenance including winterizing pens and wiring roof for turkey pens. Animals need tending every day of the year. Contact Kathryn Gress at 610-398-2122 or email gressranch@gmail.com.

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION, Allentown needs volunteers (19+ years) for their Heart Ball 5 to 10 p.m. Feb. 25 at DeSales University, Center Valley. Volunteers will help with registration, auction, and check out. Volunteers will only be interacting with guests and staff. Dinner will be provided. Call Dawn Fernandez at 610-396-3506 or dawn.fernandez@heart.org.

Contact the Volunteer Center to receive a brochure listing agencies in need of volunteers at 610-807-0336 or email vco@volunteerv.org. Visit the website www.volunteerv.org for a larger listing of volunteer opportunities.

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program requirements to get the mortgage with Habitat LV. These include mentoring, sweat equity, and financial guidelines set out by the Family Selection Committee and Board of Directors of Habitat LV. Habitat homes are sold to families at 0 percent interest, which helps the family with long term security and wealth building.

"All of us here at Habitat are just so pleased that the Toledos are moving into their new home. They are wonderful people who are working hard at the American Dream. I am so proud of our commu-

nity for supporting the Toledo's through their support of Habitat," said Holly Edinger, executive director.

The construction of this home was made possible by two major sources of funding. They are the City of Bethlehem and Thrivent Financial. Thrivent Financial Services is a unique financial services company that focuses on investment and wealth management with the greater good and God in mind. Their dedication to this project was a financial investment of \$60,000 and volunteer hours. The balance of the funding for this home came from the City of Bethlehem HOME funds.

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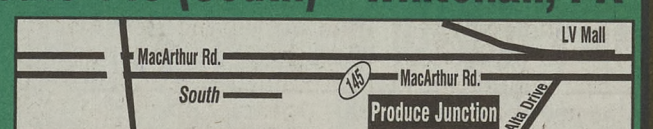
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Jeff Karam

Becahi wrestling coach

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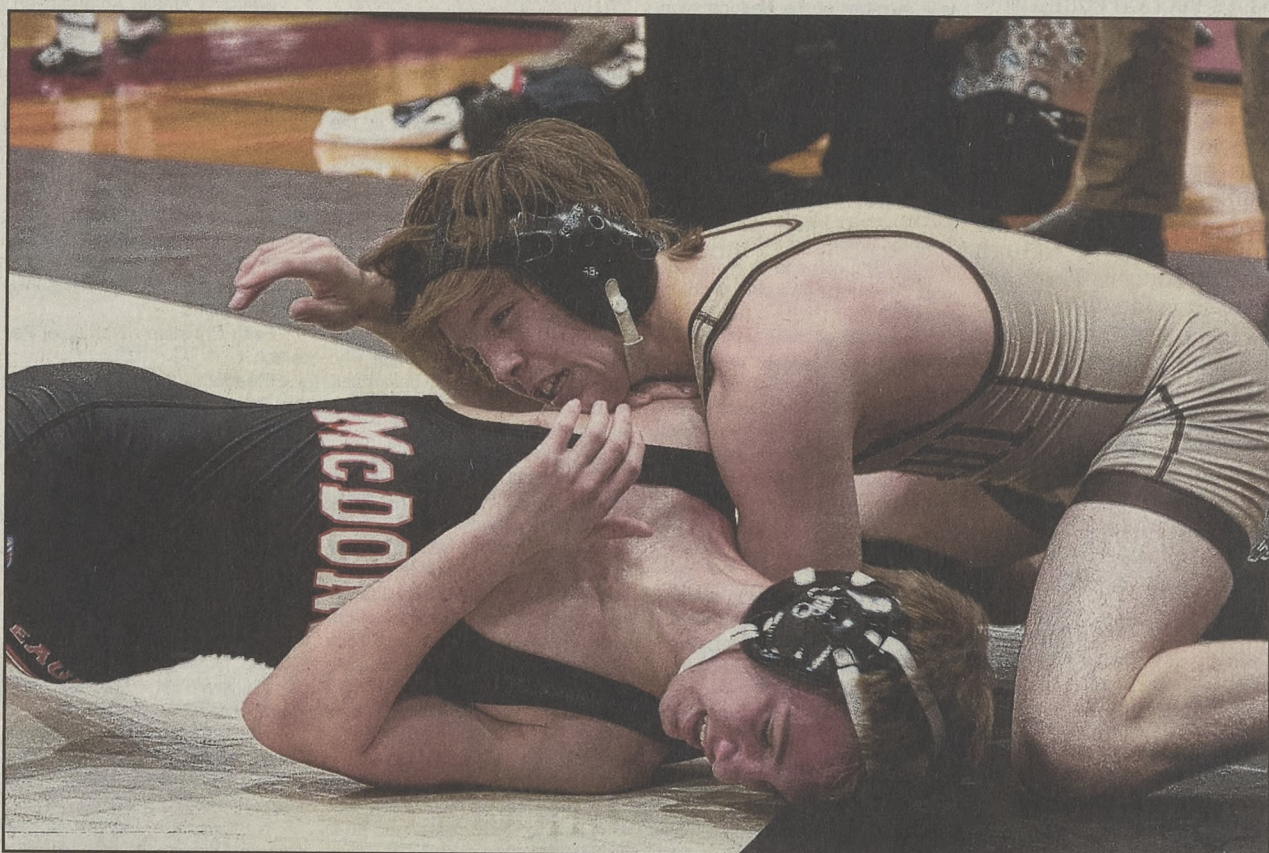
The program will take place Wednesday, Feb. 15, at 6:30 p.m., at the Catsaquia High School, Room C219, located at 2500 Bullshead Rd., in Northampton.

The public is invited to attend.

Anyone with questions can call: 610-262-7598.



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PRESS PHOTOS BY KEVIN HARDY

Ryan Anderson was back on the mat for the first time since December for Becahi at Who's #1.

Bethlehem Catholic sputters at Who's #1

BY PETER CAR
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Jeff Karam couldn't remember the last time Bethlehem Catholic's wrestling program lost two dual meets in one day, but that's how Sunday afternoon unfolded for the Hawks at FloWrestling's Who's #1 Duals at Easton Area Middle School, as Becahi dropped their final two dual meets of the national showcase.

The Hawks entered the day ranked 7th in the country by InterMat, but left with a fourth-place finish following a 36-21 defeat to Malvern Prep (ranked 8th) in the consolation round.

Becahi lost their final bout of pool action when Florida's Lake Highland Prep (ranked 4th) scored a 39-26 win earlier in the afternoon to keep the Hawks from advancing to the final against Blair Academy.

It was a frustrating conclusion to the event, one that Karam walked away from understanding fully what his team needed to improve upon.

"Again, we came into



Zach Glenn went 4-0 during the Who's #1 Duals for the Golden Hawks.

this tournament trying to figure out where we need to be exposed and what our weaknesses are," Karam said. "We have a lot of stuff to improve on, but the biggest thing is that we have to be tough. Just going out there and grinding and getting on somebody. Just being tough."

"I can't remember the last time we lost twice in

one day and that's good. That's why we come to an event like this."

The Hawks were hoping to find themselves in the finals against Blair Academy, just like they did a year ago, but things fell apart in the match against Lake Highland after they jumped out to a 17-3 lead through the first five bouts. A fall at 138

by Mason Wohltmann over Jarred Papsy in 1:34 was a 10-point swing that the Hawks never recovered from, as Highland capped off the bout by winning five of the next eight bouts, as a Bryce Rogers fall over Jody Crouse in 52 seconds clinched the win at 195.

Against Malvern, the See **BC** on Page 11

Hurricanes cap off week with win over Freedom

BY PETER CAR
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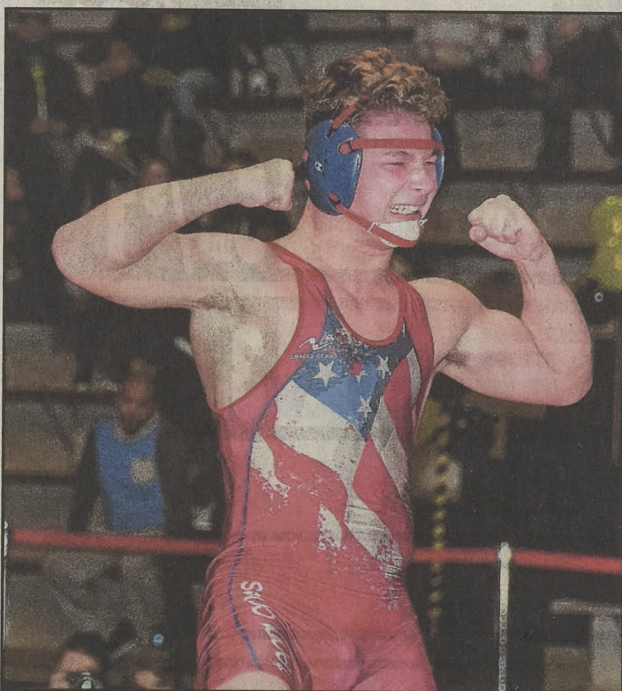
The smiles were about Saturday night as Liberty wrestlers and coaches enjoyed every minute of their victory over rival Freedom.

The Hurricanes won the first five bouts of the match and won 10 in total en route to a 45-16 victory.

Anthony Emig (160) and Gunner Anglovich (170) started things off with technical falls, but Damen Moyer's 5-4 decision over Ryan DeLoach at 182 set off a firestorm of celebration on the Liberty sideline, as Moyer reversed a 10-2 major decision defeat to DeLoach at the Bethlehem Holiday Wrestling Classic back in December.

It was the only win of the opening five for the Hurricanes that didn't come with bonus points, but it certainly came with the most meaning.

"Damen got beat pretty good by him [DeLoach] in our Christmas tournament and he asked if he could wres-



PRESS PHOTO BY ROB MERCHANT

Damen Moyer's win at 182 fired up the Liberty bench during this weekend's showdown.

tle him in this match," said Karam. "He's a real gamer and he gives you 100-percent every-time on the mat and he's just a real pleasure to coach. I think his win really inspired the rest of our

guys." Liberty (13-4) took nine out of the first 10 bouts with the final one coming at 126 with Travis Brown's 10-8 decision over Andrew Youwakim, before Freedom

was able to reel off wins by Andrew Evans (132), Ben Huber (138) and Thomas Bonilla (152).

However, with last Wednesday's win over Easton only a few days old, Karam was hoping that the team would come out poised for a win on Liberty's senior night.

"These guys love winning and they really embrace it," he said. "We make winning a big deal. We're wrestling well right now. I expected our guys to perform the way they did [tonight]."

Liberty will travel to East Stroudsburg South on Wednesday night before they prep for taking on Northampton Saturday at 5 p.m. at Easton Area Middle School for second place in the East Penn Conference Wrestling Championship Day.

Freedom (6-6) will either face Stroudsburg (12-5) or East Stroudsburg South (9-7) at 3:15 p.m. in the EPC championship day.

HOOPS A look at the D-11 playoff picture

BY PETER CAR
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With the District 11 basketball postseason roughly a month away, the introduction of the six class structure presents some changes to the boys format this year.

The biggest change, just like in football, is that more teams will get an opportunity to participate in the PIAA tournament, as this year boys field will advance 17 teams.

The tournament gets underway on February 21.

Listed below is a breakdown of each class and as a quick reminder, in order to qualify for the postseason, teams must compile a .500 record in their overall record or a .500 record in their league record.

However, the opportunity for below .500 teams to qualify for districts is there if the minimum number of playoff spots in a class is not reached.

Also, in Class 4A, 3A and 1A, District 11 teams will be mixed with schools from District 1 and District 2 to form a subregional bracket.

* Indicates teams that have already clinched playoff berths.

Class 6A

Minimum of eight teams qualify for District 11 tournament.

Four teams qualify for the PIAA tournament.

Standings as of 1/24

1 *William Allen	15-0
2 *Emmaus	12-2
3 *Pocono West	11-3
4 Parkland	9-5
5 Liberty	9-6
6 Stroudsburg	8-4
7 Easton Area	9-6
8 Freedom	7-9
9 Northampton	6-8
10 Eastburg South	7-7
11 Pleasant Valley	5-10
12 Nazareth	4-10
13 Dieruff	3-11
14 Pocono East	3-10

Class 5A

Minimum of four teams qualify for District 11 tournament.

Two teams qualify for the PIAA tournament.

Standings as of 1/24

1 *Bangor Area	14-1
2 *Whitehall	13-3
3 *Pottsville Area	11-3
4 *Blue Mountain	12-3
5 *Southern Lehigh	12-4
6 Eastburg North	9-7
7 Central	8-7

Class 4A

Minimum of eight teams qualify for the subregional tournament (four from District 11, two from District 2).

Two teams qualify for the PIAA tournament.

Standings as of 1/24

1 *Bethlehem Cath	11-3
2 *Lehigh	13-3
3 *Salisbury Twp.	11-4
4 Saucon Valley	9-7
5 Octorara	7-6
6 Jim Thorpe	9-6
7 Tamaqua	9-6
8 Wilson	7-9
9 Lower Moreland	8-8
10 Pen Argyl	7-9
11 Northwestern	5-10
12 North Schuylkill	2-12
13 Palisades	2-14
14 Springfield Twp.	1-14

Class 3A

Minimum of six teams qualify for the subregional tournament (four from District 11, two from District 2).

Two teams qualify for the PIAA tournament.

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LV soccer scholar athletes to be named

On Sunday, Jan. 29, at 5:30 p.m. the Lehigh Valley Soccer Scholar Athlete Foundation will hold their annual banquet at the Northampton Community Center.

Over 43 area schools will be represented by both a male and female nominee and a scholarship will be given to the winner in each category. The award began in 1975 with seven male nominees and has gone through several transitions.

In 1984 the Lehigh Valley Youth Soccer League revived the program under the direction of Frank J. Olszewski and Gary F. Toth, and they developed the foundation to be the success it is today.

A separate award will be presented to Gary F. Toth, a local Lehigh Valley soccer coach, referee, and member of the Lehigh Valley Soccer Hall of Fame for his 30 plus years of dedicated

service to the foundation. Gary will remain active in the program as a selection committee member for life.

The Lehigh Valley Soccer Hall of Fame will also recognize and induct two new members to the group for their lifelong interest and contributions to the development of Lehigh Valley soccer. They are Walt Sweedo, who created the soccer program in Schnecksville and was instrumental in helping develop girls' soccer at Parkland High School and elsewhere; and Jozef Kazimir, a semiprofessional and local Lehigh Valley player and referee for over 50 years.

Nominees for **Bethlehem Catholic** are Blake McGill and Kevin Michels.

McGill is a four-year varsity player, a member of Enco Soccer Club and also runs track. She's a homeroom representative and Key Club president. She plans to study international relations.

Michels is a two-year varsity

player, senior captain, played for the Blue Mountain Youth Soccer League and ran track. He earned the Eisenhower Leadership Award, is a member of the National Honor Society and plans to study biochemistry and biology.

Nominees for **Freedom** are Jaiden Coyne and Judson Freidl.

Coyne is a three-year varsity player and was third team all-EPC. She's also a member of the Lehigh Valley Magic. She's a SGA member and an Eisenhower Award winner. She plans to study nursing and become a pediatric oncology nurse.

Freidl is a three-year varsity player and a senior captain, a member of the Bethlehem Soccer Club and Bethlehem United. He is a SGA and National Honor Society member as well as the co-founder of the Freedom Robotics Club. He plans to attend Cornell to study chemical engineering and business entrepreneurship.

Nominees for **Liberty** are Jessica Becker and Valentin Perevalov.

Becker is a three-year varsity player, played for the Bethlehem Soccer Club and also swims and plays lacrosse. She is class secretary, a majorette, a member of the National Honor Society and SADD secretary. She plans to study nursing.

Perevalov is a three-year varsity player and was a first team

all-EPC member his senior year. He also plays for the Lehigh Valley United. He plans to attend Lehigh to study math and play pro soccer.

Nominees for **Moravian Academy** are Shabaig Chatha and Griffin Richards.

Chatha is a two-year varsity player, honorable mention in the Colonial League who also swims and plays lacrosse. She is DECA president, a member of the International Club, SGA, Science Olympiad, county chorus and a National Merit Scholarship semifinalist. She plans to study business or pre-medicine.

Richards is a three-year varsity player and a senior captain who also plays lacrosse and basketball. He plans to study marine and animal science.

Nominees for **Notre Dame Green Pond** are Catherine Kelly and Cameron Sauers.

Kelly is a three-year varsity player and senior captain, a two-time second team Colonial League all-star as well as a member of Lehigh Valley Magic. She also runs track and plays basketball. She plans to study pre-medicine.

Sauers is a two-year varsity player and a member of the Bethlehem Soccer Club as well as the National Honor Society, speech club, debate club and mock trial. He plans to study history and go to law school.

Nominees

- Central Catholic - Christina Marin, Chris Alvarez
- Bangor - Amalia Abrahamson, Timothy Ferguson
- Bethlehem Catholic - Blake McGill, Kevin Michels
- Catasauqua - Sofia Alquin, Nicholas Hertzog
- East Stroudsburg No. - Kassandra Patrick, Joshua Becker
- East Stroudsburg So. - Gabrielle Bonnar, Jordan Cortez
- Easton - Jayliana Bedoya, Keith Grega
- Emmaus - Reilly McGinnis, Kevin Williams
- Faith Christian - Nathaniel Peterson
- Freedom - Jaiden Coyne, Judson Freidl
- Jim Thorpe - Margaret Holloway, Cameron Condy
- Lehigh Valley Christian - Jonathan Stamper
- Lehigh Valley - Raja Alie Quinones, Tyler Dietz
- Liberty - Jessica Becker, Valentin Perevalov
- Dieruff - Joey Saba
- Moravian Academy - Shabaig Chatha, Griffin Richards
- Nativity BVM - Madison Ulsh, Patrick Crane
- Northampton - Brandy Moser, Trevor Hanuschak
- Northern Lehigh - Karlyna Keimery, Everette Bevans
- Northwestern Lehigh - Emily Renner, Dominic Mertz

- Notre Dame (East Stroudsburg) - Krista Kissell
- Notre Dame (Green Pond) - Catherine Kelly, Cameron Sauers
- Palisades - Brianna Johnson, Bobby McClintock
- Palmerton - Johanna Matska, Jacob Taylor
- Parkland - Olivia Schantz, Mark Stenske
- Pen Argyl - Megan McCarty, Mason Hudnall
- Phillipsburg - Lauren Brown, Peter Dragun
- Pleasant Valley - Natalie Lautz, Ryan Prator
- Pocono Mountain East - Taylor Yacuboski, Michael Bone
- Pottsville - Megan Dalton, Charles Botto
- Quakertown - Victoria Sturges, Jacob Graham
- Salisbury - Kyra Bruns, Ethan Heydt
- Saucon Valley - Ashleigh Nagy, Ryan Smith
- Schuylkill Haven - Mary Zimmerman, Ryan Kunkle
- Southern Lehigh - Allison Borelli, Daniel Qian
- Stroudsburg - Becca Meisse, John Burns
- Weatherly - Morgan Gower, John Hinkle
- Whitehall - Kylee Cunningham, Bailey Luckenbill
- Allen - Erika Sinchi, Josen Mana
- Wilson - Augusto Sanchez

Freedom cheerleaders make it to semifinals

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Freedom High School's varsity cheerleaders made it to the semifinal round in the medium division at the PIAA State Competitive Spirit Competition last weekend in Hershey,

Pa. after scoring high enough in preliminaries to advance.

"We did really, really well," said Freedom captain, Camryn Spina. "Our routine hit perfectly, all our stunts hit, and our tumbling hit pretty flawlessly."

In the semifinal round, the Patriots competed for one of two spots in finals, but things were a bit less certain for them because one of their cheerleaders came down with the flu the previous night.

"She competed, but

we didn't make her tumble or stunt, but we were proud of her and how we did as a team," Spina said.

The Patriots had changed their partner stunts for difficulty and execution, added more tumbling with the

jumps, and added a basket toss.

"We hit our partner stunts a lot cleaner at states, and [adding the basket toss] improved our score," said Spina.

In addition to the competition, the Patriots had time to socialize

with other squads from across the state.

"Every year it gets better," Spina said. "It's fun to hang out with people who are crazy about the same sport that you are."

'D' paces Hawks by Northampton

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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A tough defense combined with a prolific offense earned Bethlehem Catholic's girls' basketball team a 69-48 victory over Northampton last Friday at Becahi.

As has been the usual as of late, the Hawks spent most of their practice time on defense, and knew Northampton's biggest threats would be Aja Blount and Victoria Keenan.

"We mainly focused on those two, so I would help our girls in the paint," said Becahi forward, Tessa Zamolyi. "I was moving everywhere."

Becahi guard, Talayah Medina's, scoring took off in the first quarter with her three pointer the first basket of the game. Zamolyi hit a three soon after, and Medina followed up with

another.

"We had time in the gym before the game to shoot, and at the end of practice, we have a half-hour dedicated to our shooting," Medina said.

In addition, the Hawks were not expecting the Konkrete Kids to come out in a zone.

"But we used that to our advantage to get those threes," said Zamolyi.

Hope Brown, Morgan Orloski, and Natalie Rhine also hit threes for Becahi, prompting a Northampton timeout with 4:09 left in the first quarter.

The closest the K-Kids came to the Hawks was near the end of the second quarter, when Keenan intercepted a pass and scored, followed by a basket by Jenna Rogers, bringing the score to 35-25.

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PRESS PHOTO BY LINDA ROTHROCK

Justin Paz and the Hawks have secured a trip to the postseason.

Hawks clinch district berth

BY PETER CAR
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Bethlehem Catholic checked off one of their season goals last week by clinching a district playoff spot with their 58-55 win over Northampton Friday night.

The Hawks also knocked off Dieruff by the same score earlier in the week, as they played both games without the services of center Ryan Young, who's been dealing with a sprained ankle since injuring it on January 14 against Lincoln Leadership.

With seven games left on the schedule, starting with Tuesday night's contest against Freedom, head coach Ray Barbosa was happy to get a district spot out of the way sooner than later.

"It was very important for us to get it done sooner," said Barbosa. "Now we can focus on winning games and staying in the EPC race. To win without Ryan is also big for us."

Becahi's (11-3, 7-2) pair of wins last week keeps them right in the middle of the EPC race too, as it'll be difficult for them or anyone to top Allen (15-0, 10-0) in the Steel Division, leaving the Hawks in the wild-card battle.

Heading into this week, Becahi was tied with Pocono Mountain West (11-3, 7-2) for fifth



BY ROB MERCHANT

Amadeus Cannon and the Hurricanes lost to Stroudsburg last Friday.

place in the league playoff race.

With games against Freedom (7-9, 3-7) and Central Catholic (8-7, 4-6) this week, the Hawks need to win in order to stay in the top half of the conference.

Young is expected to be back this week, but Barbosa isn't going to rush him back either.

"We want to get Ryan back once he's fully healthy," said Barbosa. "We want to make sure he's ready for the stretch run. One thing we've learned without him is that this is a tough group

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	3 Minersville	8-7
	4 Catasauqua	5-11
	5 Northern Lehigh	6-10
	6 New Hope-Solebury	6-9
	7 Pine Grove Area	5-10
	8 Devon Preparatory	6-9
	9 Palmerton	1-14
Class 1A		
Minimum of six teams qualify for the subregional tournament (five from District 11, one from District One).		
Three teams qualify for the PIAA tournament.		
Standings as of 1/24		
	1 *Lincoln Leadership	12-4
	2 Nativity BVM	9-7
	3 Gillingham Charter	2-4
	4 Salem Christian	9-7
	5 Notre Dame Jr/Sr	6-9
	6 Tri-Valley	4-11
	7 MMI Preparatory	2-12
	8 Weatherly	2-12
	9 Susquehanna	3-10
	10 LV Christian	2-6
Class 2A		
Minimum of four teams qualify for District 11 tournament.		
Two teams qualify for the PIAA tournament.		
Standings as of 1/24		
	1 *Shenandoah Vy	14-2
	2 *Marian Catholic	11-2
	3 Moravian Academy	9-6

LHS boys top ESN

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Liberty's boys' swim team defeated East Stroudsburg North, 91-65, last week at Liberty.

Eric Sin, Chris Chambers, Chase Ledger, and Daniel Bieniek won the 200 medley relay for the Hurricanes with a time of 1:52.45.

Robert Negron followed with a victory in the 200 free with a time of 1:51.59. Chase Ledger finished right behind Negron in 1:51.73.

Jake Evert won the 200 IM in 2:13.97, Jeffrey DePalma placed first in the 100 fly in 1:00.25, and Omar Mohamed won the 100 free in 52.45.

Ledger won the 500 free in 5:13.25 and competed immediately afterward in the 200 free relay and was part of the first place team, including Sin, Jared Keyock, and Jack Polentes, recording a time of 1:45.33.

In diving, Kellen Rogers placed first with 185.25 points, and Sergio Alvarez had 113.30 points. The Hurricanes were uncontested.

"I feel pretty good about these [dual meets] because these are less stressful," said Rogers, who scored a 47 on his reverse double, "and everyone is here to watch you."

Last weekend, Rogers

competed in the EPC 11 dive meet at Emmaus, where he placed seventh.

"It was just Cara Kuykens and me. There were no other teammates there," Rogers said. "Once my first five dives hit, it was less stressful. Last year, I didn't know what to expect, so I wanted to set the bar."

Rogers' front one and a half pike was one of his best dives at the EPC meet.

"I didn't want to fail a dive," he said. "I thought that was one of my better ones, and it was the first time I did it right."

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Hawks never looked like themselves, losing the first three bouts (106-120) and falling behind 10-0. The Hawks would only win five matches in the bout, as Malvern had little trouble taking home third-place.

Mikey Labriola, ranked second in the country at 182, received forfeits in the Hawks final two matches, even though each team had capable wrestlers at hand, as Highland

moved Rogers (ranked 6th) to 195 and Malvern bumped up both of their nationally ranked wrestlers at 170 and 182 to solidify bonus points at 195 and 220.

"Obviously our lineup isn't where it needs to be," Karam said, "but this is absolutely what we needed as a team coming here. Usually, the way some of these matches played out, we win. We have a lot of room for improvement and another big week ahead."

The Hawks started

the day with a 48-12 win over McDonogh (Md.) and followed that up with a 37-20 win over Mount St. Joseph's (Md.).

Speaking of the big week ahead, the Hawks (9-2) host Wyoming Seminary (ranked 9th nationally) on Thursday night with their senior night festivities on tap and then take on Nazareth at 7 p.m. Saturday night at Easton Area Middle School for the East Penn Conference championship.

GIRLS

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Blount, Rogers, and Jade Rindock scored consecutively after half-time, but Rhine, Orloski, and Julia Zambo combined for six points in return.

"We worked so hard getting the lead, all of us were battling," said Medina. "I got hit in the mouth, Hope got hit in the eye, but we battled to the end."

Medina was the top scorer for Becahi with 16 points, and Keenan

was the top scorer for Northampton with 19 points.

This week, the Hawks will have hosted Freedom on Tuesday night, past Press deadlines, and Central Catholic on Friday night.

LHS girls unbeaten

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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At this point in the season, Liberty's girls' swim team has high hopes of going undefeated after another victory last week, this one over East Stroudsburg North 90-52.

"Our season is looking really well," said Hurricane captain, Jess Becker. "Our biggest challenge will be Emmaus. We're looking forward to Emmaus."

Paige McCloskey, Becker, Kay Wetmore, and Madison Muller won the 200 medley relay with a time of 2:05.84 to start the meet.

Molly Gray placed first in the 200 free with a time of 2:16.70, Samantha Taylor came in first in the 200 IM with a time of 2:18.38, and Sabrina Krotzer won the 50 free with a time of 27.23.

Anna Lehr was first in the 100 fly in 1:08.29, Greta Stuckey won the 100 free in 1:00.44 with Krotzer and Natalie Richardson right behind in 1:00.60 and 1:00.94, respectively.

The Hurricanes also had a 1-2-3 finish in the 500 free with Wetmore first in 5:32.40, Kendra Smith second in 6:05.92, and Becker third in 6:22.01.

"It was different," said Becker. "I'm usually not a freestyler, and 20 laps is a little out of my element, but our coach says if we can do it at practice, we can do it at a meet. It helps us grow stronger as a swimmer and feel more relaxed as a team."

In diving, Cara Kuykens was first with 163.80 points, Lehanna Sine was second with 114.70 points, and Alicia Valladares was third with 104.10. Liberty dove uncontested.

This Thursday the Hurricanes will travel to William Allen to take on the Canaries.

BOYS

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of kids that have battled and won. It's allowed us to get more guys experience and help our depth. Now we just need to get better."

Liberty (9-6, 6-5) saw a three-game losing streak snap last Friday in a 65-46 defeat at home to Stroudsburg. The Hurricanes were outscored 21-9 in the second quarter and could never get back into the game.

"We just did not play well as a group on Friday night," said head coach Chad Landis, whose team then knocked off South Philadelphia 51-43 on Saturday afternoon. "Stroudsburg is very athletic and they sped us up to a point where we made a lot of bad decisions on offense. I thought we did a good job of handling the pressure initially, but then made bad decisions once we got the ball across mid court. It just felt like one of those nights where we couldn't get anything going, couldn't

do anything right."

Now the 'Canes have a three-game slate this week, starting with Tuesday's contest against Allen.

The Canaries defeated Liberty 59-53 in their first meeting this season.

"I thought we played very well the last time we played them," Landis said. "So we will have to try and play even a little better this time. Allen is very talented so it's hard to stop all of them. We will have to try and limit their transition baskets. We had success by forcing them to attack our half court defense."

Liberty closes out the week at home Friday and Saturday against Northampton (6-9, 2-8) and Wissahickon (8-7) respectively.

The Hurricanes need two wins to clinch districts and they came into the week ranked eighth in the EPC play-off standings.

Freedom (7-9, 3-8) have lost six straight games, including three straight to state ranked teams (Bangor, Allen

and Pocono Mountain West) heading into Tuesday's tilt with Becahi, who come into the week ranked fifth in 4A.

This week will be crucial for the Pates district playoff prospects, as they only have six games left in the season.

"We need to rebound the ball," said head coach Joe Stellato. "Teams are making a living off second chances on us. If we can rebound the ball we would turn some of these games into wins."

Hall of Fame: On Friday night Bethlehem Catholic will hold their Athletic Wall of Fame Induction night at 6 p.m. prior to the girls basketball game against Central Catholic.

Five new members will be inducted into the Athletic Wall of Fame including: Coach Richard Mazza (Softball & Football), James McCauley '81 (Fan Category), Laura Eichman '01 (Tennis), Charles Phillip '03 (Boys Volleyball) and Kerry McDermott '08 (Girls Track).

FHS swimmers split

BY KATIE MCDONALD
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Freedom's swimmers split their meet against Stroudsburg last week when the Patriot boys won 56-38, and the Patriot girls lost 50-44 at Stroudsburg.

Troy Watlington, Colin Burnette, Spencer Smith, and Al Bell out touched Stroudsburg in the 200 medley relay, 1:52.75-1:53.36 in the first boys' event of the day.

Raleigh Ellis won the 200 free in 2:06.15, and Tyler Higgins won the

same event in 1:56.31.

Burnette took first place in the 200 IM in 2:08.98, Brian Seitz was first in the 50 free in 24.03, and Bell won the 100 fly in 55.07.

Reilly Ward placed first in the 100 free in 58.17, Seitz also won the 100 free in 51.91, Ellis took first in the 500 free in 5:30.69, and Higgins won the same event in 5:11.80.

Seitz, Smith, Higgins, and Bell teamed up to win the 200 free relay with a time of 1:37.62.

Later in the meet, Smith won the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:13.54.

Freedom won both 400 relays, the last races of the day.

Ward, Sydney Straka, Erin Madden, and Ellis took first place with a time of 4:04.91, and Burnette, Higgins, Bell, and Seitz placed first with a time of 3:30.15.

The Patriots will host Central Catholic on Thursday.

DARTS

Suburban Dart League Standings

Christ UCC	36	18	.667
Salem Luth	33	21	.611
Dryland	27	21	.563
Ebenezer	28	23	.549
Emmanuel	25	23	.521
St. Stephen's	25	26	.490
St. Paul's	22	23	.489
Bath Luth	23	28	.451
Messiah	22	29	.431
Salem UCC	18	30	.375
Farmersville	17	34	.333

Bath Luth (10-5, 6-4) at Salem UCC (6-5)

BL - Matt Creyer 8-14, Butch Kemp 6-13, Bob Meixsell 6-14, Marissa Griffith HR.

S - Ed Taylor 5-12, Bob Krause 5-13, Rachel Krause HR.

St. Paul's (2-1, 7-3) at Christ UCC (10-5)

SP - Dave Clark 5-13, Zack Kern 5-14, Rich Kern 5-14, Brett Remel 5-14 HR.

C - Mark Fujita 8-14, Greg Pokorny 5-12, Jared Pokorny 5-14, Eric Yocum HR.

Salem Luth (8-1) at Ebenezer (3-2, 5-4)

Eb - Steve Gountis 6-12 HR, Jim Voortman 5-11.

SL - Jason Biggs 8-12, Bill Hoke Jr. 5-11, Walt Hoffert 5-13, Austin Hoffert triple play.

Dryland at

Farmersville (5-1, 6-3, 3-2)

F - Gene Grim 8-13, Sue Grim 5-12 HR, Kyle Gerber HR, Dave Campbell HR.

D - Rich Dern, Shawn Sigley 7-12.

Emmanuel (4-1, 5-2) at Messiah (9-5)

Em - Jim Hill 6-12, Bob Bass 5-12 HR, Bruce Danyluk 5-12, Judy Hoffert 4-12 HR, Matt Torman HR.

M - Dan Halteman 4-12, Harry Schoenberger HR.

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Standings Week 2-2

Christ Lutheran	5	1	.833
Trinity UCC	5	1	.833
St. Peter's Luth	4	2	.667
Bethany UCC	3	3	.500
College Hill Mor	3	3	.500
East Hills Mor	3	3	.500
*Holy Trinity	3	3	.500
Schoenersville	3	3	.500
WS-Edgeboro	3	3	.500
Christ UCC	2	4	.333
First UCC	2	4	.333
Fritz-Wesleyan	2	4	.333
Holy Cross	2	4	.333
St. Matthew's	2	4	.333

Results 1/16

Trinity UCC @ First UCC 7-6

1-0 3-2; College Hill @ Holy

Trinity 7-3 1-0 3-4; St. Peters @ St. Matthews 3-6 0-6 3-0;

Bethany @ Fritz Wesleyan 2-0 6-2 2-3 (17); Schoenersville @ Christ UCC 2-4

1-4 2-0; East Hills @ Christ Lutheran 2-3 7-2 3-4 (15);

WS-Edgeboro @ Holy Cross 3-1 8-3 3-4

Highlights 1/16

1) Mark Taljian 7-12 for Trinity UCC.

2) Tom Hartzell 6-12 for College Hill.

3) Dave Repnyek 4-11 for Holy Trinity.

4) Sara McFadden 4-10 for St. Peters.

5) Billy Christman and Floyd Muschlitz, Jr 5-12, Bob Koch 4-11 for St. Matthews

6) Wayne Shelly 5-11, Karl Bittner 5-13 w/cycle, and Todd Bozes hit for the cycle for Bethany (4 team HR).

7) Jim Walker 4-8 for Schoenersville.

8) Paul Scheltzer 7-12 for Christ UCC.

9) Joe Hegedus 7-15 and Bob Baer 7-16 for East Hills.

10) Warren Fenner 6-14 for Christ Lutheran.

11) John Bauman 7-14 with 6 2B for WS-Edgeboro.

Outdoors: Camp Compass to receive NRA donation

BY NICK HROMIAK
Special to the Press

Through the proceeds from the Great American Outdoor Show in Harrisburg (the "Harrisburg show" as it has been known), the National Rifle Association (NRA) is donating \$43,000 to five Pennsylvania organizations that promote the outdoor lifestyle through educational and recreational activities.

One of the five is our local Camp Compass, an Allentown-based inner city youth organization that introduces urban, middle and high school students to various outdoor activities.

For their efforts, the organization, headed by John Annoni an Allentown middle school teacher, will receive the second highest grant amount of \$10,000 that will be used to supplement their social media outreach and public education for their Camouflaging Our Differences initiative. It's designed to provide real-world educational experiences to youths and their families from inner cities while highlighting the beauty and significance

of diversity, according to the NRA announcement.

Camp Compass is headquartered in the back of Joe Mascari's Carpet store on Sumner Avenue in Allentown. Several years ago Joe Mascari donated the second floor of his building for the organization's use.

The first largest grant of \$12,000 went to Harrisburg Hunters and Anglers Association of Harrisburg. Their grant money will go to support the organization's wide variety of youth activities and firearm training programs hosted year-round at their Dauphin County facility.

Shenecoy Sportsmen of McConnelstown, Pa., received a \$10,000 grant to support two range improvement and expansion projects.

The club plans to update their archery and rifle ranges and build a new pistol range complete with steel targets, with grant donations covering material and construction costs.

Hunt of a Lifetime of Haborcreek, Pa., will use their \$7,000 grant to support their goal of providing unique dream

hunting and fishing experiences for youths 21 and under who have been diagnosed with life-threatening illnesses.

Wildlife For Everyone Endowment Foundation of State College, Pa., received \$4,000 to help them support various youth programs throughout the year through the acquisition of an inflatable BB gun range.

These grants, made through the NRA Foundation, are not the first NRA gave out. In 2016, NRA donated \$50,000 to similar groups. NRA points out that the success of the Great American Outdoor Show and the efforts of the NRA Foundation is the leading charitable organization that supports the shooting and hunting sports.

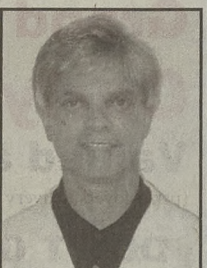
The nine-day show (Feb. 4-12), held at the Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg, is the largest in the country as it features a myriad of the best of the outdoors. For more information and show tickets for the show go to www.greatamericanoutdoorsshow.org.

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Telling the Christmas story

Edgeboro Moravian Church in Bethlehem presented its the annual Sunday School Christmas show Dec. 18. The Christmas story was presented by the Bethlehem innkeeper and his wife, with their three children. The Edgeboro Echoes and the younger Singing Angels sang during the program. The church sanctuary was decorated for the memorable event and was filled to capacity. Edgeboro's new pastor, the Rev. Dan Miller, led the holiday service.



Ruby Miller and Rylie Baer, playing the Bethlehem innkeeper's children, review their script during a break in their performance.



Edgeboro Echoes sing at the start of the Sunday school's Christmas show.



PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN

The play features Tim Jones and Rebekah Miller portraying the Bethlehem innkeeper and his wife, who retell the Christmas story. Their children are played by Ben Courtade, Rylie Baer and Ruby Miller.



Singing Angels, preschoolers and first graders, perform the program's finale, "Away in a Manger."



A clarinet quartet starts off the service. Megan Weikert, Drew Bobyak, Kylee Hudson and Sarafina Schultheis are the musicians.

BREIFLY BETHLEHEM

Caregiver Canines program opens

The Caring Canines, a ShareCare Faith in Action in-home dog therapy program housed at 321 Wyandotte St., is now available.

A certified therapy dog and its volunteer owner are matched to a senior citizen who is unable to own a dog but wants animal companionship in his or her residence. Once weekly or bi-weekly hourly visits are available.

For information, call 610-867-2177.

LEHIGH CO.

Unsung Heroes being sought

To celebrate Older Americans Month, the Lehigh County Office of Aging and Adult Services recognizes county residents, 60 years of age or older, who have displayed exceptional generosity with their time and talent to enhance the lives of others and their community. The Unsung Hero finalists will be honored at a special awards ceremony at 1 p.m. May 17.

To request a nomination form, contact Lehigh County Aging and Adult Services at 610-782-3034.

Forms are also available at lehighcounty.org on the Aging and Adult Services home page.

Nomination forms must be postmarked by March 10.

GREAT DECISIONS

Lecture series begins Feb. 1

The 2017 Foreign Policy Association's Great Decisions Lecture Series on important American foreign policy issues begins at 11 a.m. Feb. 1 at Kirkland Village, 1 Kirkland Village Circle.

The eight presentations, which last about one and one half hours each, will run through March 22. The opening topic will be "The Future of Europe", about the current state of the European Union and its impact on U.S. foreign and economic policy. The speaker will be Marc Schleifer, regional director for Eurasia and South Asia, Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE), Washington, D.C.

Future 2017 speakers and their topics are Brandon VanDyck, Lafayette College, "Latin America's Political Pendulum", Feb. 8; Brian Mello, Muhlenberg College, "Saudi Arabia in Transition", Feb. 15; Lt. Col. Pat Proctor, Ph.D., the U.S. Army War College, "Nuclear Security", Feb. 22; Chris Herrick, Muhlenberg College, "Conflict in the South China Sea", March 1; Andrew Essig, DeSales University, "U.S. Foreign Policy and Petroleum", March 8; Thomas Eighmy, USAID (retired) & Sundar J. M. Brown, private consultant, "Prospects for Afghanistan and Pakistan", March 15; and Brendan Horton, World Bank (retired), "Trade and Politics", March 22.

The YWCA is again sponsoring the 43 year old series. There is a cost. Call the YWCA at 610-867-4669, ext. 101, for more information.

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'Hey you guys' gather for annual luncheon

BY DANA GRUBB
Special to the Bethlehem Press

Fans of the movie "Goonies" will remember the character Sloth, and his well-known line, "Hey you guys!" A group of Liberty HS graduates from the Class of 1967 have adopted that moniker as their group name and get together for their annual golf outing in the summer and day-after Christmas luncheon at a local bar and restaurant. After high school they became a painter, salesman, educator, elected official, professional baseball pitcher, attorney, law enforcement officer, financial planner and railroad worker among

their varied careers. They now reminisce about times gone by, discuss surgeries and catch up with their classmates. According to one of them, Bethlehem resident Joe Kempfer, they have been gathering on the day after Christmas since 1990. Kempfer takes attendance and maintains a 'You Guys' contact list. On Dec. 26 about 20 attended the 2016 luncheon, coming from as far away as Connecticut and Virginia. They were joined by a few Liberty graduates from other class years, for food, beverages and a few cigars at The Wooden Match in Bethlehem.



PRESS PHOTO BY DANA GRUBB
Members of the Liberty HS classes of 1966, 1967, 1968 and 1970 unite for their traditional day after Christmas "You Guys" luncheon at the Wooden Match in Bethlehem, where they swap stories, enjoy drink, food and cigars, and catch up on the latest in each others' lives.

BRIEFLY

VALLEY

Fair Districts meeting Jan. 27

The Fair Districts PA is hosting a free public information event titled "Gerrymandering and How to Create Fair Districts in Pennsylvania" 6-8 p.m., Jan. 27 in Fellowship Hall (entrance around the back of the building) at the First Presbyterian Church, Tilghman Street and Cedar Crest Boulevard, Allentown.

Featured speakers will include Carol Kuniholm of Fair Districts PA, and members of the PA General Assembly.

It is sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Lehigh County and the Justice and Advocacy Committee of the Lehigh Conference of Churches.

Those interested in restoring good government practices to our state are welcome to attend. For more information, call the church at 610-395-3781.

ARTSQUEST

Fest food vendor apps due Jan. 28

Musikfest is seeking food vendors for the 34th annual festival from August 4 to 13. The applications, with a submission deadline of Jan. 27, located at www.musikfest.org/applications.

Up to 60 food vendors will be chosen by a jury selection process.

For more information on Musikfest and being a festival vendor, visit www.musikfest.org

ARTSQUEST

Souper Bowl set for Jan. 28

The 2017 Souper Bowl, presented by The Restaurant Store and supported by 100.7 WLEV, opens at 11 a.m. with a VIP Hour, and from noon to 3 p.m. for the public, on Jan. 28 at Arts Quest, 101 Founders Way. There will be soup samplings and contests, live entertainment by the Dan DeChellis Trio and a raffle.

Confirmed participants to date are Cafe the Lodge, Cathy's Creative Catering & Cafe, Copperhead Grille, Forks Mediterranean Deli, Hotel Bethlehem, Iron Lakes Country Club, Molly's Irish Grille & Sports Pub, Penn Pizza Mill Creek, Roosevelt's 21st, Shankara Vegan Restaurant, Southside 313 Bar and Grille, The Steel Pub, The View at Morgan Hill and Whole Foods Market.

Proceeds from the Souper Bowl support ArtsQuest's art and education programs for area students. For information, visit www.steelstacks.org or call 610-332-3378.



PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN
Broughal band members Josiah Peters, Tavia Flecksteiner, Jorge Bello and Jonas Muh play at the ceremony.

Fountain Hill welcomes the season



A Wisemen mural and the twinkling Fountain Hill Christmas tree decorate the Tinsley Jetter Triangle at dusk.

Cold weather didn't affect the spirits of those attending Fountain Hill's annual Christmas Tree lighting ceremony at Tinsley Jetter Triangle along Broadway last month. Broughal MS's Band, American Legion members and many local families participated in the tree in the small park named after the borough's founder, Tinsley Jetter.



Jody Samu, a Fountain Hill resident, takes a picture of the lighted Christmas tree.

American Legion volunteer Nathan Flecksteiner hands out holiday candy to Jaritza Caytiuro and her younger sister Melanie. Their parents, Carolina Moreano and Freddy Caytiuro, said the family comes every year to the holiday season event.



Holly Muh holds her plastic candy cane filled with holiday treats during the ceremony. She was with her mother, Ali Muh, a borough resident.

BRIEFLY

BAPL

3D printer class set for Jan. 28

The Bethlehem Area Public Library is holding free 30-minute 3D Printer sessions, for grades six through 12, from noon to 4 p.m. Jan. 28 at the main library, 11 W. Church St.

All materials are free. Registration is required.

For more information or to register, visit www.bapl.org or call 610-867-3761, ext. 499.

GIRL SCOUTS

Cookie Crunch set for Feb. 26

The Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania and ArtsQuest will host the third annual Girl Scout Cookie Crunch from 1 to 3 p.m. Feb. 26 at the ArtsQuest Center, SteelStacks, 101 Founders Way. The event is a benefit for both GSEP and the ArtsQuest Art Education Fund for area students.

Area chefs and restaurants will create dishes made with Girl Scout cookies. Attendees may sample the creations and vote for their favorites in several categories, including a new "Kid's Choice" award.

There will be a guest appearance by Girl Scout junior Lucy Chelton of Sellersville, a winner of the Food Network show "Chopped Jr.," and Cindie Feldman of 29 Cooks Catering + Culinary Center of Macungie, a winner of the Food Network's "Cooks vs. Cons."

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Peeps diorama winners announced

Several area students' dioramas were chosen as winners in the 2016 Peeps Scholastic Diorama Competition on Dec. 30 and 31 at SteelStacks.

Winners took home Peeps gift bags. Best in Show winner Owen Boger dropped the Peeps Chick on New Year's Eve during the festival. The PEEPls Choice diorama and all first-prize winners will be on display through 2017 at the Just Born exhibit at the Sigal Museum, 342 Northampton St., Easton.

The top winners are: PEEP-les Choice: Peep 182 by Adam Pryblick, AJ Colon and David Amato of St. John Vianney Regional School, Allentown; Best in Show was Owen Boger of Joseph P. Liberati ES, Center Valley; grade K-2 first place: Happy Birthday Calypso ES by Alaina Moyzan, grade 2, Calypso ES, Bethlehem; grade 3-5 first place: Peeps in Space by Owen Boger, grade 5, Joseph P. Liberati ES, Center Valley; grade 6 first place: Lehigh Valley Peep-toms by Eric Castro, Leilani Fonseca, Elizabeth Kline, Jeziel Marrero, Jaylene Munoz, Aisha Rodriguez, Victor Molina Espinoza, Sebastian Garcia, Laisha Leon, Tecorey McPhatter, Abigail Rodriguez and Brianna Yearde-Hinds, grade 6, South Mountain MS, Allentown; and Grade 7-12 first place: Up by Kylie Legath and Olivia Le, grade 7, St. John Vianney Regional School, Allentown.

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PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN

Ziggy Johnson is greeted by Santa during the holiday celebration. His mother, Erika Johnson of Tipton, right, and stepmother, Nicole Grossman of Coopersburg, a nurse, were also in the hospital's patient care department for the event.

GRADUATION

University of the Sciences

Marina Reggeto, of Bethlehem, a University of the Sciences' master of science in physician assistant studies major, was a recipient of a white coat at the school's White Coat Ceremony on Dec. 16.

The formal presentation of a white coat is given as students begin working clinically with patients in hospitals and outpatient settings.

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Seasonal smiles for patients

Pathways to Santa puts smiles on the faces of Lehigh Valley Hospital-Muhlenberg patients. The holiday celebration, organized by cancer survivor and Catasauqua native Bruce

Smith, brings holiday cheer to the hospital's patients with visits by Santa and local mascots from various companies. College and high school groups also participate

in the day's activities. Smith, of Palmer Township, raises thousands of dollars in holiday season gift cards for the hospital's patients.

DEAN'S LISTS

Bucknell University

Bucknell University has named three Bethlehem area residents to the fall 2016 dean's list. The students, who earned a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a scale of 4.0 to receive dean's list recognition, are Grimaldi Gonzalez, '17; Justin Manhoff, '18; and Peter Puleo, '17.

Bucknell University is located at 701 Moore Ave., Lewisburg, 17837. For more information, call 570-577-2000 or visit www.bucknell.edu.

Central Penn College

Joshua Quigley and Brian Sebring of Bethlehem have been named to the Central Penn College fall 2016 term dean's list. To qualify, the students carried six or more credits and earned a grade-point average of 3.5 or better for the term.

Central Penn College is located at 600 Valley Road, P.O. Box 309, Summerdale, 17093-0309. For more information, call 1-800-759-2727 or visit www.centralpenn.edu.

Elizabethtown College

Three Bethlehem area residents have been named to the Elizabethtown College all 2016 term dean's list. The students, who earned a semester grade point average of 3.60 or better in 14 or more credit hours, of which at least 12 credits are letter-graded course work, are Kevin Carman, Erika Hudock and Cayla Schaffer.

Elizabethtown College is located at One Alpha Drive, Elizabethtown, 17022-2298. For more information, call 717-361-1000 or visit www.ETown.edu.

James Madison University

Bethlehem resident Chase Edward Hoover has been named to the James Madison University fall 2016 semester dean's list. He carried at least 12 graded credit hours and earned a GPA of between 3.5 and 3.899 to be selected for the honor.

James Madison University is located at 800 S. Main St., Harrisonburg, VA 22807-0001. For more information, call 540-568-6211 or visit www.jmu.edu.

King's College

King's College has named seven local residents to the fall 2016 dean's list. The students, who had a grade point average of 3.5 or higher, are Emily Barbella, Katherine Fitch, Martina Gale, Andrew Hudak and Jessica Mulligan, all of Bethlehem; and Alexandra Evangelista and Erich Weiss of Hellertown.

King's College is located at 133 N. River St, Wilkes-Barre, 18711. For more information, call 1-888-KINGS-PA or visit <https://www.kings.edu/>.

Kutztown University

Several Bethlehem area residents have been named to the fall 2016 dean's list at Kutztown University. To be eligible, an undergraduate student must be registered for at least 12 credits and have a minimum grade point average of 3.60.

The students are Leo Andrew Atkinson, Jada Lynn Avery, Matthew J. Bowers, Rachel J. Capuano, Hailee S. Cruz, Jennifer Marie Cruz, Alexis Davis, Megan Ashley Eltringham, KristiJoy Fedorowicz, Kira Elizabeth Franekic, Sage Marie Gerhart, Christina Nicoleava Haller, Sunna Katrina Jimenez-Wright, Lindsey Joseph, Devon Elyse Knipe, Katrina Marie Kucsan, Joshua Drake Liddick, Ebony Maxwell, Angelo Ariel Mejia, Samantha Jo Miller, Holliani L. Moninghf, Leslie Moser, Sarah Elizabeth Pammer, Nektaria Papadopoulos, Emily Randall, Jeffrey P. Rodman, Leo Joseph Rooney, Eric Michael Santiso, Jessica Summer Santos, Mikayla Lee Stengel, Theodore Bradley Strohler, Michael Toolan, Hannah M. Voorhees and Kyla Whitman.

Kutztown University of Pennsylvania is located at 15200 Kutztown Road, Kutztown, 19530. For more information, call 610-683-4000 or visit www.kutztown.edu.

Lehigh University

Several Bethlehem area residents have been named to the fall 2016 dean's list at Lehigh University. To be eligible, the students earned a scholastic average of 3.6 or better while carrying at least 12 hours of regularly graded courses.

Those named to the list are Quot Alquloob Said, Khalfan Al Nabhani, Mathew Anthony, Paul Asadourian, Matthew Asteak, Vincent Behe, Dominic Behe, Marco Biaggio, Chengyixiu Bian, Ashley Blair, Natalie Bourman-Karns, Emily Buell, Micah Carlisle, Nadine Elsayed, Brian Farrell, Michelle Fedun, Wayan Fowler-Puja, Yuwei Gao, Paul Grocholski, John Gulick, Jan Kasapnevruzi, Evan Kauffman, Justin Kostelnik, Vincent Kundrik, Zachary Lamb, Shuaichen Liu, Jason Lopez, Daniel O'Brien, Zihan Pan, Henry Paul, Federico Placanica, Evan Pretti, Samantha Randall, Victoria Ricles, Elizabeth Rifkin, Kiran Singh, Paul Skersis, Joseph Skibbons, Emily Strange, Ye Tao, Mitchell Thomas, Raymond Van Sandt, Ferguson Watkins, Isaac Wellish, Xi Xi, Yuesheng Yu, Dishu Yang, David Young, Xinyan Zhang, Ding Zhang, and Xinhui Zhao.

Lehigh University is located at 27 Memorial Drive West, Bethlehem. For more information, call 610-758-3000 or visit www.lehigh.edu.

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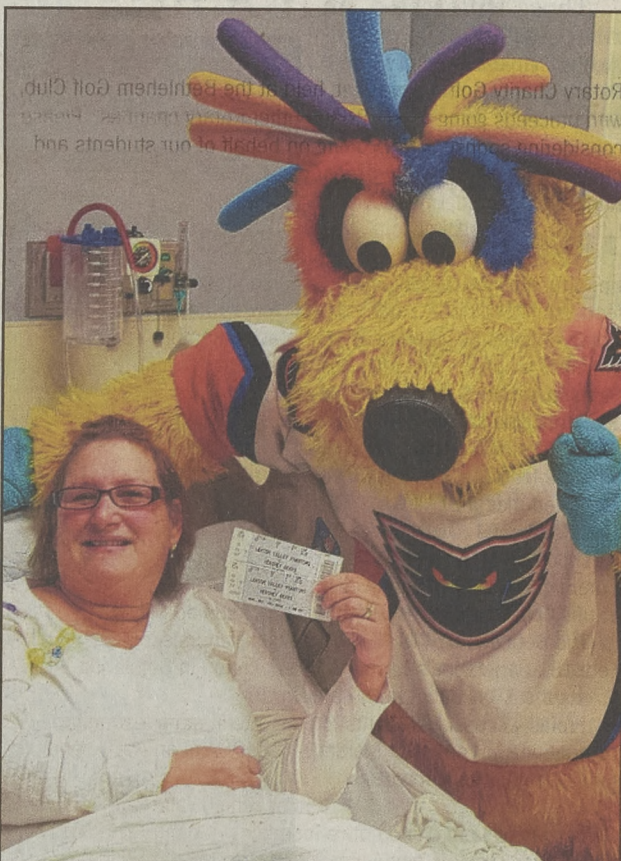
Moravian College basketball players are among the volunteers who help cheer up the Muhlenberg patients with Christmas carols. The head coach, Mary Beth Spirk, said the team has supported "Pathways to Santa" for seven of the eight years the special event has been going on.



Barbara Forzato, a hospital volunteer, sings Christmas carols to patients like Patti Tunison of Bath. "I absolutely love it here. It's the best hospital," said Forzato.



Mascot Goofy embraces Muhlenberg Hospital medical secretaries Iris Gonzalez of Bethlehem and Holly Hess of Nazareth.



Karen Becker, a Muhlenberg Hospital patient, is visited by the Lehigh Valley Phantoms mascot "MelVin" during the party. Becker, a Northampton resident, received tickets from the Allentown ice hockey team.



Party organizer Bruce Smith with a number of the local celebrity mascots who participated in the "Pathways to Santa." Smith was treated at the hospital's Infusion Center and has raised more than \$50,000 in gift cards for the patients during the eighth year of the event.

Erin Jane Campbell

Moravian Academy

Grade: 12

Family members: Audrey Campbell (mom), and David Campbell (dad).

Favorite subject(s):

Chemistry has been my favorite class because I enjoy solving problems and learning to understand how what happens on a molecular level affects what happens on a macroscopic scale.

Activities: Lightboard operator and assistant lighting designer for M.A. Theatre, co-president and co-captain of nationally qualified Quizbowl team, member of Outdoor Education Club, peer tutor for math and science, PJAS participant, lead trumpet in Jazz Band and Wind Ensemble.

Next steps (after high school): Attend a four-year university in the Northeast to study biochemistry and economics.

Career goals: One day, I would like to be a veterinarian, and run my own animal hospital.

Heroes: My personal hero is one of my favorite authors, Atul Gawande, for working hard to elevate public safety practices in medicine, making hard science accessible through his writing, and for forging a career that incorporates liberal arts and involvement in the scientific community.

Hobbies: Outside of schoolwork and activities, I enjoy studying fashion design, and more recently, watercolor painting.

Current job(s): I am a work-study student in technical theatre at Moravian Academy.

Volunteer/community work: I spent last summer as a classroom assistant for K-2

at the Wildlands Conservancy helping to teach children about the importance of the natural world. I also volunteer my time to peer tutoring within Moravian Academy, which I find very rewarding.



Likes: NPR, left-handed desks, a perfect outfit, being outdoors, watercolor paintings, coffee, and spending time with my friends

Dislikes: Frustration, unfinished work, unnecessary drama, and public speaking.

Greatest accomplishment (so far): I was proud to receive the Dartmouth College Club Book Award at the end of my junior year for academic passion and personal integrity. I am also very proud of myself for going out of my comfort zone and attending Camp Neidig, a leadership camp hosted by the Rotary Club.

Advice for peers: Work hard, present yourself well, and be a decent human being.

Julia Swan coordinates student profiles for the Bethlehem Press. Student profile subjects are selected by faculty and administration at the individual schools.



PRESS PHOTOS BY TIM GILMAN

Santa Claus greets brothers Reece, Cade and Jesse Wyman, who were with their parents, Damian and Winnie Wyman. The family lived in China for eight years, where Damian was a Lehigh University graduate student. They were back in the states visiting family for the holidays. The boys, born in China, meet an American Santa for the first time.

Southside library hosts holiday party

The holiday party at the Southside branch of the Bethlehem Area Public Library entertained a number of children and their families with

variety of activities, including a Santa Claus visit with gifts, holiday season arts and crafts and a Christmas books story time. A surprising number of

the family members at the party said they were first-timers at the popular event.

BETHLEHEM AVTS NOTES

By ELLA KAVITT

Rotary teams with students

The Bethlehem Rotary club is sponsoring its 21st annual Rotary Charity Golf Tournament, held at the Bethlehem Golf Club, with proceeds going to BAVTS and other Rotary charities. Please consider sponsoring or golfing on behalf of our students and other Rotary charities. Please contact George Kurtz, gkurtz@mcdermottadvisors.com or Rob Littner, rvittner@gmail.com.

Each month, the Bethlehem Rotary provides opportunities for students to develop community leadership. SkillsUSA students participate with Rotary leaders as greeters at the Rotary's monthly business luncheon meeting. This opportunity helps to enhance the students' networking skills. Students also can complete a written section of the professional development program on attending a professional business meeting and see the structure of an organized meeting.

After careful review of the Bridges applications, the finalist luncheon will occur Feb 7. The Bridges Scholarship Selection Committee wishes to thank all students who chose to participate at this time. The Bridges Ceremony is scheduled May 4.

The Bethlehem AVTS HOSA breakfast fundraiser is being held Feb. 18 at Applebee's Nazareth Pike location in Bethlehem. Adult tickets are \$7; kids under 10 are \$4.50.

Profits will assist students to compete in state leadership competition in Lancaster March 8-10. HOSA is an organization for future health professionals.

BAVTS competitors for the Greater Lehigh Valley Automotive Dealers Association Automotive Technology Competition Feb. 25 this year are seniors Amr Asran, Liberty, and Matthew Snyder, Northampton. Amr and Matt won an in-shop competition consisting of a written test, diagnosing a no-start concern, and hands-on work stations.

On April 27, the annual Cooperative Education Gathering will be held for Cooperative Education students, their employers and parents.

Seniors and parents, mark your calendar for the annual Senior Recognition May 16 at 6:30 at Liberty HS.

Construction Specifications Institute Greater Lehigh Valley Chapter and Associated Builders & Contractors-Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter have joined forces to address the workforce shortage in the construction industry. The two organizations will host the Let's Build Construction Camp For Girls June 19-23. This unique construction camp program will introduce middle-school and high-school age girls to the opportunities that will await them within the construction industry. For more information on the Let's Build Construction Camp For Girls, please contact Kristen Fallon at 610-821-9686 or kfallon@abceastpa.org.

SCHOOL NEWS

BASD: Art exhibit opens in March

The Bethlehem Area School District student artists will be featured in a free exhibit, Art in the Public Schools: Filling the World With Color, from March 2 through April 7 in the Rotunda Gallery at City Hall.

The opening reception will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. March 5, also in the Rotunda Gallery.

The exhibitors range from kindergarten to high school seniors.

BASD: Children's dental health month

February is children's dental health month. St. Luke's University Health Network is asking for donations of dental products such as toothbrushes, toothpaste and dental floss. Items may be dropped off in bins located at Liberty and Freedom HS., East Hills and Broughal MS and DOnegan, Fountain Hill, Freemansburg and Marvne ES.



Kavitt



Amiah Serrano works on a Christmas ornament at the arts and crafts table.



Tess Blum, the children's librarian at the South Bethlehem Library, reads a Christmas book to the young visitors.



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Zowie Ortiz, a volunteer from the teen advisory committee of the Bethlehem Library and a Liberty HS ninth grader, helps Jessica Maya and her two daughters, Arianna and Abril, at the information table.



William Rusk finishes his Christmas ornament at the library holiday party.



Quimeeya Lewis takes a look at the Christmas ornament she made at the annual event.

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	5-8 mph SW	6-11 mph NW	11-13 mph NW	14-17 mph NE	17-21 mph E	10-15 mph SE	5-10 mph SE

FORECAST FOR LEHIGH VALLEY PENNSYLVANIA
 Today we will see mostly sunny skies with a high temperature of 48°, humidity of 66%. The record high temperature for today is 63° set in 2006. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with an overnight low of 37°. The record low for tonight is -10° set in 1954. Thursday, skies will be partly cloudy with a high temperature of 44°, humidity of 61%. Skies will be partly cloudy Thursday night with an overnight low of 30°. Expect partly cloudy skies Friday with a high temperature of 38°. Skies will remain partly cloudy Saturday with a high temperature of 35°. Partly cloudy skies will continue Sunday with a high temperature of 36°.

Weather Trivia

What was the most snowfall recorded from a single storm?

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NEWS

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BASD: Neighborhood survey results

Promise Neighborhoods of the Lehigh Valley will hold a State of Bethlehem Promise Neighborhood survey results event from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Jan. 31 at the N.C.C. Fowler Center, 511 E. Third St. Call 610-438-4327 for information.

Broughal MS: Fundraiser Jan. 28

There will be a flapjack fundraiser breakfast to support Broughal MS student leadership club from 8 to 10 a.m. Jan. 28 at Applebee's, 2109 Motel Drive. For more information, call 610-866-5041, ext. 40935 or ext. 40913.

East Hills Preschool hours

East Hills Moravian preschool, 1830 Butztown Road, has expanded its hours from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., which includes a breakfast club from 8 to 9:15 a.m. and a creative playgroup until 4 p.m. for ages two to five years. Registration for these programs and for morning classes for ages two through five has begun. Call 610-868-6242 for information.

St. Anne's open house Jan. 29

Saint Anne School, Bethlehem, will host an open house from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jan. 29 at the Community Center, 375 Hickory St. There will be school guided tours, visits to interactive classrooms and the opportunity to meet with faculty, parents and current students.

Registration will be available for a three-year-old morning and a four year old half and full day preschool; and for kindergarten through eighth grade programs.

PPL Corporation donates \$10,000 to Red Cross Lehigh Valley-Bucks

BY SUSAN BRYANT
sbryant@tnonline.com

The American Red Cross Lehigh Valley-Bucks Chapter recently received a \$10,000 grant from PPL Corporation to support local disaster relief and the Home Fire Campaign.

The Red Cross Home Fire Preparedness Campaign addresses common causes of residential fires and helps families and individuals prevent and prepare for these events.

PPL's support also assists the Red Cross to prepare for, respond to and recover from local emergencies and disasters.

American Red Cross officials stressed the importance of PPL's donation in helping expand their services in the region.

Home fires impact more people across the county each year than all other natural disasters combined, and the Red Cross program will include more than



PRESS PHOTO COURTESY AMERICAN RED CROSS

Peter Brown, executive director of the American Red Cross, receives a check for \$10,000 from Carol Obando-Derstine, regional affairs director with PPL Electric Utilities and Paul Ward, director - technical development and improvement with PPL Electric Utilities, and Red Cross Board member.

3,000 home visits to install smoke alarms and replace batteries, complete home safety checklists and help families develop an escape plan.

PPL Foundation awards annual grants through a competitive application and review

process. "PPL is committed to safety not just for our employees but also for our customers," said Carol Obando-Derstine, regional affairs director with PPL Electric Utilities. "Because of this commitment, we are proud to support

the American Red Cross Lehigh Valley-Bucks Chapter, which is helping to keep our customers safe.

"We appreciate their efforts in preventing and responding to fires and other disasters," Obando-Derstine said.

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Some 2016 Tax Changes

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Refunds Delayed for Some Taxpayers - A law change that went into effect this year requires the IRS to hold refunds on tax returns claiming the Earned Income Tax Credit or Additional Child Tax Credit until at least Feb. 15.

Renew ITIN Soon to Avoid Refund Delays - Many Individual Taxpayer Identification Numbers expired on Jan. 1, and affected taxpayers should act soon to avoid refund delays and possible loss of eligibility for some key tax benefits until the ITIN is renewed.

ABLE Accounts Now Available for Some People with Disabilities - States are now offering specially designed, tax-favored ABLE accounts to people with disabilities who became disabled before age 26.

New Self-Certification Available for Missed Rollover Deadline - New Deadline for Reporting Foreign Accounts. The deadline for filing the annual Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts is now the same as for a federal income tax return.

For a full detailed list on 2016 Tax Changes visit www.irs.gov.

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Katie Mahan, left, pianist, and Jessica Lennick, soprano, right, guest soloists, Allentown Symphony Orchestra, "Viennese Nights," 7:30 p.m. Feb. 11 and 3 p.m. Feb. 12, Miller Symphony Hall, Allentown.

Old Vienna

Celebrate Valentine's Day with Allentown Symphony for 'Viennese Nights'

Many people have watched the famous Vienna Philharmonic over the years performing their New Year's Eve program, or the violinist Andre Rieu and his orchestra, with his elaborate Viennese inspired concerts.

Programs of Viennese music featuring composers from Vienna, Austria, have become very popular and are often enhanced by a chorus, or dancers and a variety of soloists.

Since the February concerts of the Allentown Symphony Orchestra, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 11 and 3 p.m. Feb. 12, occur very close to Valentine's Day, I wanted to offer a very special program for listeners that features some of this popular Viennese music, hence, "Viennese Nights."

It is a wonderful way to celebrate and enjoy a program of beautiful music with someone you love.

When building a program such as this, there were so many wonderful works to select from, but I knew that I needed to include some specific pieces, like the "Blue Danube Waltz" by Johann Strauss, Jr. and, of course, the famous "Radetsky March." What conductor would want to miss out on an opportunity for the audience to clap along?

CLASSICAL VIEWS

By Diane Wittry



Since the operetta, "Die Fledermaus," by Johann Strauss, Jr. takes place at a large New Year's party in Vienna, I thought it would be great to include it. We will be playing the Overture, and then showcasing soprano Jessica Lennick, performing the "Laughing Song," "Mein Herr Marquis" ("My lord marquis"), referred to as "Adele's Laughing Song," and the "Czardas," a dancing-song, "Klänge der Heimat" ("Sounds from home").

Lennick is an acclaimed soprano, having performed at the Caramoor Festival, N.Y., and with the Orchestra of St. Luke's. The American Record Guide called her "stratospheric singing ... stunning as she tosses off gleaming high E-flats and Fs." The Baltimore Post-Examiner glowed that she "is a complete package, including a terrific smile and stage presence to go along with her pleasing

voice."

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart is one of the most famous composers from Vienna and it seems fitting to perform one of his piano concertos on the program. Pianist Katie Mahan will be the soloist for the first movement of Mozart's "Piano Concerto No. 17."

Praised as "one of the most outstanding talents coming up today," Mahan is "capturing the attention of audiences throughout the world for her innovative musical personality, poetic interpretations and graceful, charming stage presence." She has performed with the Prague Philharmonia, Colorado Symphony, West Virginia Symphony, Colorado Springs Philharmonic, Boulder Philharmonic, Vancouver Metropolitan Orchestra and Wiener Residenz Orchestra.

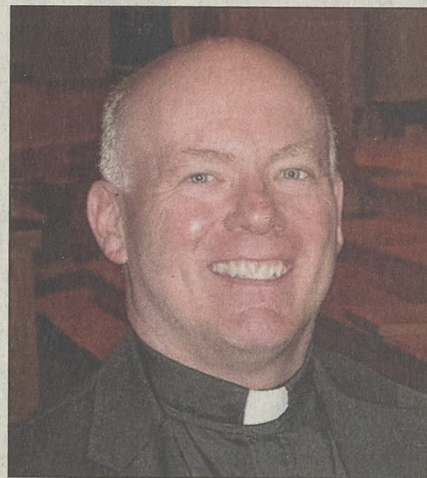
Ballet dancers from the Ballet Guild of the Lehigh Valley will dance to the ballet music from "Rosemunde" by Franz Schubert and waltz dancers will appear in the second half of the program. Other pieces, like "Morning Noon and Night in Vienna" by Franz von Suppe, and the "Merry Widow Waltz" by Franz Lehár, are full of wonderful melodies that almost entice the audience to sing along.

Closing the concert, we will feature the Bel Canto Children's Chorus of the Bach Choir of Bethlehem. This group, composed of about 40 young singers, will warm your hearts as they perform the "Tristch-Trastsch Polka" ("Chit-Chat Polka") and the "Sängerlust Polka" ("The Joy of Singing"), both by Johann Strauss, Jr.

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8 DAYS A WEEK

Your look ahead at Valley Arts



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Bach to Vivaldi: Pennsylvania Sinfonia Orchestra presents "Winter Vivaldi," 3 p.m. Jan. 29, Wesley Church, 2540 Center St., Bethlehem. "Winter Vivaldi," a January afternoon staple, is fashioned after the Sinfonia's popular summer series, "Valley Vivaldi," with its Baroque repertoire for chamber ensemble. Father Sean Brett Duggan, pianist, above, performs Johann Sebastian Bach's Piano Concerto No. 1 in D minor, BWV 1052. Sinfonia conductor Allan Birney notes that during the past 10 years, Duggan and the Sinfonia have performed all 10 of Bach's major works for keyboard during "Winter Vivaldi." Unwilling to say goodbye to a tradition so well-loved by audience and musicians alike, Birney says, "We're starting all over again from the beginning." Sinfonia principal flutist Robin Kani is featured in Flute Concerto in C, Op. 7 No. 3 by Jean-Marie Leclair. Sinfonia principal oboist Cheryl Bishkoff and her colleagues perform Oboe d'amore Concerto in G by George Telemann, a work entirely new to the Sinfonia. The program includes Antonio Vivaldi's Trio sonata in D minor for two violins, cello and harpsichord. Tickets: at the door, or 610-434-7811



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Join the "Club": What do you get when you mix a club of headstrong men in the pursuit of pseudo-science with a female explorer and a group of deadly monks and angry Irishmen? You get "The Explorers Club," in its Lehigh Valley premier, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday and 3 p.m. Sundays, Jan. 27, 28 and Feb. 3-5, 9-12, The Pennsylvania Playhouse, 390 Illicks Mill Road, Bethlehem. The cast includes, above, front row, from left, Andrew Beal, Thomas Rush, Syd Stauffer, Jeremy Thompson, Zach Goodrich, and, back row, Brian McDermott, James Vivian, Bill Mutimer, W. Michael Hollingsworth. The Nell Benjamin farce, directed by Gary Boyer, takes place in 1879 London at the prestigious Explorers Club. Phyllida Spotte-Hume, an intrepid explorer, has discovered the lost city of Pahatlabong and is seeking membership at the heretofore male-only club. Throw in a herpatologist with his pet snake, a zoologist with his pet Guinea pig, a tribesman from the NaKong tribe that Phyllida brought back with her and it's a recipe for disaster. Tickets: paplayhouse.org; 610-865-1192

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Lindsay Penner, above, "Disney On Ice Presents 'Dream Big,'" Feb. 2-5, PPL Center, Allentown.

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BY CAMILLE CAPRIGLIONE
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That's the empowering message for young girls in the dazzling skating spectacular, "Disney On Ice Presents 'Dream Big,'" Feb. 2 - Feb 5, PPL Center, 701 Hamilton St., Allentown. Performances are: 7 p.m. Feb. 2 and 3; 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Feb. 4 and 11 a.m. Feb. 5.

Exceptional performers portray some of Disney's best-loved cinema princesses, including Cinderella, Snow White, Belle and Ariel,

who embark on adventures on the ice, showing their courage, their imagination and their ability to create their own happily ever after. Glittering sets and brilliant choreography take audiences on a magical journey of artistic skating and stunning acrobatics.

Producers and choreographers for "Dream Big" sought to create a show with a message that celebrates courageous young women. The timeless nature of these beloved Disney princess tales are relatable and inspiring.

"Before dreaming up this

show, we reflected on what makes Disney's leading ladies so unique," states the show's producer Kenneth Feld. "Having three daughters, it didn't take long to realize that every princess had one thing in common: each one had a dream and the determination to make it a reality."

"We wanted to share that inspirational message with our audiences by celebrating the stories of these courageous young women and the friends that helped them along the way."

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Pianist's concert benefits 'DISNEY' Community Music School

Community Music School (CMS) faculty member, Dr. Holly Roadfeldt performs a recital to benefit CMS, 3 p.m. Jan. 29, Rodale Room, Third Floor, Miller Symphony Hall, 23 N. Sixth St., Allentown.

The recital features highlights from Roadfeldt's debut CD, "The Preludes Project" (Ravello Records), released in November 2016, which includes works by Chopin and Roadfeldt's husband, Kirk O'Riordan. Roadfeldt will also perform works by Debussy, Mozart and Rachmaninoff.

Doors open at 2:30 p.m. A meet-the-artist reception follows the concert. A free-will offering benefits CMS.

Roadfeldt received degrees in piano performance from Eastman School of Music, Indiana University and the University of Colorado in Boulder. She made her orchestral debut at age 13 with the Toledo Symphony Orchestra.

She is a solo pianist and chamber musician, performing standard and eclectic recital programs in the United States, Europe and Asia. Roadfeldt, a dedicated performer of contemporary music, has premiered nearly 100 solo and chamber works.

Roadfeldt's live recordings can be heard on the Kosei Publishing (Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue") and the Composers Union of Armenia (music by Gor Hovhannisyanyan) labels.

Additionally, she recorded the music (solo and chamber) for Kirk O'Riordan's "Strange Flowers" CD, released in 2013 by Parma Recordings, and described as "beautifully played" by Donald Rosenberg for Gramophone (April



Dr. Holly Roadfeldt

2014).

Roadfeldt has performed with members of the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra, the New York Philharmonic, Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Montreal Symphony, Rochester Philharmonic, Colorado Orchestra and Utah Symphony, as well as with artists Alex Still, Bonita Boyd, and Marcia Baldwin.

She is co-founder of the contemporary piano duo, duoARTia.

Roadfeldt has a private studio in New York City and serves as master piano faculty with distinction at The Music School of Delaware and at Community Music School.

Community Music School (CMS) is a non-profit organization which provides quality music education to all interested students, regardless of their age, ability, background, or financial circumstances.

CMS employs more than 30 professional musicians who provide high-quality private and group instruction to students of all ages and in nearly every instrument and voice, as well as extensive, tuition-free outreach programs that bring music to students in under-served, high-poverty schools.

Information: cmslv.org

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Big" highlight the unique stories of each character, according to choreographer Cindy Stuart. In the "Aladdin" segment, there's a busy, fast-paced opening scene in the marketplace where Aladdin is being chased by the guards. When he meets Jasmine, the scene gives way to a dreamy, magical escape from reality in "A Whole New World."

In "The Little Mermaid" number with Princess Ariel, special effects give the illusions of being under water. States the show's director Patty Vincent, "I love the 'Under the Sea' production number because I was able to combine bubbling special effects with the most fantastic costumes and high-energy skating."

In the segment for "Sleeping Beauty," the wicked dragon is exciting and dramatic, giving audiences a truly magnificent visual. Set designer Robert Little had a hand in crafting the dragon from "Sleeping Beauty": "The effect is truly magnificent, and there's a thrilling surprise in store for the audience that will really ignite their interests and the ice itself."

Emmy Award-winning lighting designer Peter Morse used leafy designs of greens and sepia tones to establish the forest where Snow White wishes by a well. He also recreates the night when Cinderella's dreams come true with bursts of bright white stars: "When telling nine distinct stories, it's important to be able to create a new environment to set the stage for each tale."

Costume Designer



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Lindsay Penner, above, portrays Elsa in the "Frozen" segment of "Disney On Ice Presents 'Dream Big,'" Feb. 2-5, PPL Center, Allentown

Ilona Somogyi states, "For the Cinderella ball, Fabergé eggs were the basis for the full-flowing waltz gowns. My underlying inspiration was the little girls who go to the shows dressed as their favorite Disney Princess."

For the show's creative director Jerry Bilik, "The most exciting part of the show is really the cast. These exceptional performers help translate the stories to the ice magnificently. Their portrayal of the princesses and princes sweeps the audience away because they capture the essence of the characters' hopes, dreams and heroism."

One of these is twenty-three-year-old figure skater, Lindsay Penner, who portrays Elsa in the "Frozen" segment of the show. Disney's 2013 theatrical release is said to be the No. 1 animation feature film of all time at the box office. The

adventure story about the devotion between royal sisters, Anna and Elsa, enthralled audiences across the globe and generated several hit songs, including the award-winning, "Let It Go."

In a phone interview while on tour, Penner says this is her first year skating with "Disney On Ice." Hailing from a small town in northern Manitoba, Canada, Penner has been skating since the age of 3 and was first coached by her mother.

"The show starts with Tinkerbell," says Penner. "[She] is going to guide the audience between the stories. The show has classic favorites, and also some of the newer ones like Rapunzel, Tiana and Elsa."

Penner admires the empowering theme of the modern Disney princesses.

"I definitely like the Elsa part of it, the sis-

terly love, the fact that they did this together. Some of the classic princesses [focus] more on the love between the princess and the prince, and this is Disney's first chance to do something outside of that. The girls handle the situations."

"I think it's a great message for young girls. A lot of the newer Disney princesses are going that way, such as Rapunzel's courage and Tiana's tenaciousness. I like the newer [characters] for that reason."

Ice skating shows introduce children to the joy of ice skating and may inspire youngsters to try it.

"I never got to see a 'Disney On Ice' show while growing up," says Penner, "because we lived so far from a city. If I had, I think it would have made me an even better performer."

As a child, she watched ice skating shows on television. Penner considered training for the Olympics, but says that figure skating is more fun and allows her to be creative on the ice.

"I love it. You try new things. We have a teeter-board with an acrobat. We combine figure skating with gymnastics-type elements."

The "Disney on Ice" national tour continues through June 2017.

"We move to a new city every week," says Penner. "During rehearsals, it was like your average working day of eight hours. But once we're on the road, it's more about the upkeep. We all skate to keep up our skills, and maybe work on new things. We all love skating so we love to be at the rink."

Tickets: PPL Center Box Office; pplcenter.com/tickets; 610-347-TIXX . Group rates and information: 484-273-4463

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These "Viennese Nights" concerts with the Allentown Symphony have something for everyone. There will be wonderful music by popular Viennese composers, and lots of variety to the program. So this year, you can celebrate Valentine's Day in Old Vienna.

"Meet the Artist" with Allentown Symphony Conductor Diane Wittry, pianist Katie Mahan, soprano Jessica Lennick and Allentown Symphony Conducting Fellow Toru Tagawa, at noon Feb. 10, Miller Symphony Hall. The talk is free and open to the public.

Allentown Symphony Orchestra tickets: Miller Symphony Hall Box Office, 23 N. Sixth St., Allentown; allentownsymphony.org; 610-432-6715. Free student tickets, underwritten by a grant from the Century Fund, are available for Allentown Symphony Orchestra concerts.

Diane Wittry is Music Director and Conductor of the Allentown Symphony Orchestra, Artistic Director (USA), International Cultural Exchange Program for Classical Musicians, Sarajevo Philharmonic, Bosnia, and author, "Beyond the Baton" and "Baton Basics" (both, Oxford University Press).

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"The Berenstain Bears Live! In Family Matters The Musical," 2 p.m. Jan. 28, Miller Symphony Hall, 23 N. Sixth St., Allentown

'Berenstain Bears' to dance and teach in new musical

BY ERIN FERGUSON
Special to The Press

"The Berenstain Bears Live! In Family Matters The Musical" brings the popular storybook characters to the stage, 2 p.m. Jan. 28, Miller Symphony Hall, 23 N. Sixth St., Allentown. There's a pre-show coloring book activity at 12:30 p.m. Jan. 28 in the Rodale Room on the third floor.

"The Berenstain Bears Live!" is adapted from the children's book series, "The Berenstain Bears," written by Stan and Jan Berenstain. The musical is based on three of the most popular books in the series, "The Berenstain Bears Learn About Strangers," "The Berenstain Bears And Too Much Junk Food" and "The Berenstain Bears' Trouble At School."

The Berenstains originally published "The Berenstain Bears" in 1974 and have gone on to publish more than 300 books, create three animated television series, with a feature movie in development.

"The Berenstain Bears Live! In Family Matters The Musical" is filled with fun songs and dancing.

"The show is there to entertain while teaching valuable life lessons, which was always the goal," says Matt Murphy, producer of "The Berenstain Bears Live!"

"What attracted me to create a musical

based on 'The Berenstain Bears' is that those books are so beloved and always do a great job of telling compelling stories that also teach important lessons," Murphy says.

"Our job, then, was to make their stories come to life as a full-blown musical comedy, complete with singing, dancing and colorful costumes, scenery and choreography," says Murphy.

Murphy and his production company, Matt Murphy Productions, is a New York-based theatrical production company providing creative, management and financial support. He's one of the producers of "Memphis," which received a Best Musical Tony Award; "Thurgood," starring Laurence Fishburne, who was nominated for a Tony Award; "Impressions," starring Academy Award and Tony Award recipient Jeremy Irons; "Altar Boyz," which received the 2005 Outer Critics Circle Award for Outstanding Off-Broadway Musical, and "Virtually Me," a touring musical intended to educate students on cyberbullying. He's working on a revival of "Side Show"; the Off-Broadway comedy, "Sex Tips for Straight Women from a Gay Man," and a stage version of the movie, "Dances With Wolves."

"We have always done a mix of Off-Broadway and touring. The

show has been so well-received that we see no end in sight for our successful run," Murphy says.

"The Berenstain Bears Live! In Family Matters The Musical," which is 65 minutes with no intermission, is for children ages two and up and families. It consists of the Berenstain Bear family, including Mama and Papa Bear, Brother and Sister Bear, along with several other characters from the books. The show is performed by six actors, each of whom play multiple roles.

The cast includes Eric Hartman (Papa Bear), Nicole Lamb (Sister Bear), Lauren Alice Smith (Mama Bear), Chris Trombetta (Brother Bear), Terry Lee III (Freddy, Gramps, Others) and Samantha Rose (Lizzie, Grandma, Others).

Murphy was asked why he decided to transform "The Berenstain Bears" books into a musical.

"They happened to be three of my favorites growing up and ones that I read to my own children. Each of the stories is filled with singable moments and humor that I knew would entertain families," Murphy says.

Tickets: Miller Symphony Hall Box Office, 23 N. Sixth St., Allentown; allentownsymphony.org; 610-432-6715

Exploring comedy at Playhouse

BY MAKENNA MASENHEIMER
Special to The Press

Get ready to embark on a hilarious adventure with the Lehigh Valley premier of "The Explorers Club" by Nell Benjamin, Jan. 27, 28, Feb. 3-5 and Feb. 9-12, The Pennsylvania Playhouse, 390 Illicks Mill Road, Bethlehem. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday and 3 p.m. Sundays.

"The Explorers Club" tells the tale of a gentlemen's explorers club in 1879 London. When an accomplished woman attempts to join their ranks, hijinks and adventures ensue. Quirky characters and boisterous, biting humor drive the story.

Gary Boyer returns to direct his fifth show at the Playhouse. "I prefer to direct shows that have a small cast and are very funny in farcical ways," Boyer says. After reading the script, he decided he'd "like to direct this because it's a really funny show and I know [there are] a lot of funny people in the Lehigh Valley who would come out and audition for it."

Syd Stauffer does double duty as the female adventurer Phyllida Spotte-Hume and her extravagant twin sister, Countess Glamorgan. "[Phyllida] is a little bit nerdy," Stauffer says. Contrary to her academic sister, the Countess Glamorgan married into wealth. "She and her sister don't get along very well in that her sister is so science-y and she is so much more glamorous and concentrates on that and so they butt heads."

Despite her qualifications, Phyllida's membership in the club is opposed because she is a woman. "She is very proud of her accomplishments and she does feel that she deserves to be part of the club. However, she does know how difficult it's going to be



and how she's not going to be received very well," Stauffer says.

"She's very aware that she's trying to do something next to the impossible and she's trying to take this but she meets a lot of obstacles along the way. She can see them staring her down, pushing her out of the room and not including her in things. There's one particular character who's right in her face and constantly just tells her "women are dirt" [and calls her] "harlot."

Phyllida finds an ally in the soft-spoken, bookish Lucius (pronounced LU-see-us per Boyer's direction as an added touch of faux sophistication). Thomas Rush describes his character as "the guy next door. Maybe even the unsung hero. He's very underplayed. People respect him but there's also kind of a joke about him because he is really, really fascinated by his plants that he takes care of." His relationship with Phyllida "is pure and it's new. You have someone who's 33 and he's never had a relationship. He is completely taken by the beautiful Phyllida and all that she brings to the table," Rush says.

Countering Lucius is the pompous Harry Percy, played by Andrew Beal. "If he [Lucius] were to be the unsung hero, Percy would be the sung hero but he's singing his own song," Boyer says.

Beal adds about his character, "He's an extravagant, dimwitted person. He's brave, he likes to go on adventures, go to other countries and bring back beasts that he's killed and talk about braving the elements and [casually mentioning] losing 53 men on his

last trip. And he thinks Lucius is being a total wuss about Phyllida." Percy also boasts about his exploits with women, though his stories are largely unfounded.

Rounding out the cast of eccentric explorers are Zach Goodrich, W. Michael Hollingsworth, Brian McDermott, Bill Mutimer and James Vivian.

Jeremy Thompson plays a NaKong tribesman from a lost city discovered by Phyllida. "[All of the characters] definitely have such specific nuances to each of them," Stauffer says. Boyer adds, "You're not going to confuse one of the characters with the other."

Boyer hopes audiences enjoy the side-splitting comedy. "Without giving away too much, there are three particular places in the play where a lot of physical humor was required of the actors. If they just go away remembering those three scenes I think it will be a success."

In addition to physical comedy, sarcastic barbs abound. "[There are] also a lot one-liners. You really have to listen closely when you watch this show because it'll be a nice scene and people will be going back and forth and all of a sudden somebody throws out a line over here and you go, 'What did he say? What did she say?' So, you really have to pay attention to catch all the little nuances," Boyer says.

The clever humor and layered characters make for a vibrant piece of theater. "I definitely think this is a show that you could come to see two nights in a row or a week apart and take something completely different from it each time because you're going to pick up on something you didn't get the first time," Rush says.

Tickets: paplayhouse.org, 610-865-1192

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Children may share stories, poems

The Lehigh Valley Storytelling Guild and Godfrey Daniels presents "Superbowl Sunday Kids Open Mic" with emcee Karen Maurer, 2 p.m. Feb. 5, Godfrey Daniels, 7 E. Fourth St., Bethlehem.

The event is part of the "Children's Storytelling Series." Children may share their stories, jokes, poems, tricks and songs. The "Cops 'n' Kids" program will provide books.

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Tickets now available for Ellen Goodman talk

Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist Ellen Goodman will present "The Most Important Conversation American Isn't Having" as the seventh annual Dr. and Mrs. Max Littner Memorial Lecture Series for Bereavement, co-sponsored by St. Luke's University Health Network, 7:30 p.m. April 19, Central Moravian Church, 73 W. Church St., Bethlehem.

Goodman is founder of The Conversation Project, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping people talk about their wishes for end-of-life care. The goal of the project is to make conversations about end-of-life care easier, and to make sure that individuals' wishes are expressed and respected. Guests at the lecture will gather the tools needed to start the conversation.

The Dr. and Mrs. Max Littner Memorial Lecture Series for Bereavement was created to raise consciousness for the big issues of life: living meaningfully and well, and sparking necessary conversations with loved ones about issues that are truly matters of life and death.

The annual lecture features prominent guests who discuss the importance of mind and body in healing and care, and ways you can cultivate hope, take action and

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First Carbon woman heads Greater LV Realtors group; backs property tax reform

Cass Chies, broker-owner of Re-Max Diamond 1st, Palmerton, was sworn in as new president of the Greater Lehigh Valley Realtors (GLVR) at a Jan. 18 induction ceremony at Woodstone Country Club and Lodge, Danielsville, Lehigh Township.

She is the first woman from Carbon County to be named president of the professional association which, in 2014, was formed by the merger of the Lehigh Valley and Carbon County Associations of Realtors.

"I am very proud, and humbled, to be the new president of the Greater Lehigh Valley Realtors," Chies said before a packed room of GLVR leadership and members. "It should be stressed that I do not think of myself as the first president from Carbon County. Even though his tenure was short-lived, that title forever belongs to our friend, Jim Zurn."

Zurn, owner and associate broker, Coldwell Banker Hearthside, Jim Thorpe, died two weeks after he was sworn in as GLVR president.

Chies replaces former GLVR President Christopher Raad who, after Zurn's passing, stepped back into the role of president for 2016. Under normal circumstances, the president of the association holds the position for one year and is elected by a Nominating Committee, which consists of the past president and two directors.

During her induction speech, Chies, a Towamensing Township, Carbon County, resident said the merger between the Carbon County Association of Realtors and Lehigh Valley Association of Realtors has been rewarding for Realtors in Carbon, Lehigh and Northampton counties, saving members money, delivering more member benefits and eliminating overlapping of services.

Chies has connections and roots throughout the GLVR footprint. She was born at the former Allentown General Hospital, now Lehigh Valley Hospital - Allentown. A self-proclaimed "Center City girl," Chies grew up in the Fifth and Allen streets neighborhood, graduating in 1972 from Allentown Central Catholic High School.

Two goals top Chies's agenda for what she



Cass Chies

hopes to accomplish during her presidency: regional expansion of services and property tax reform.

Regarding regional expansion, Chies said, "We need to reach out to our neighboring Associations and show them what we have to offer. I can honestly say, as a Realtor from the now-former Carbon County Association of Realtors, that regionalization should not be feared. At the end of the day, it's about sharing services, saving money, and finding better ways to do our job professionally. We are stronger together."

Chies, much like her predecessors, will focus energy in the coming year on tax reform.

"As we all know, property taxes are crippling many of our clients, whether it is the elderly neighbor who is struggling to pay her taxes so they can stay in their homes, or if it's a first time home-buyer who realizes the dream of home ownership is out of reach due to ever-increasing fees," Chies said as members and leadership nodded in agreement. "Property tax elimination has been our No. 1 priority and we will continue to work with our state legislators, county commissioners and school board members to gain a grip on bloated budgets that impact all taxpayers."

Chies went on to

thank State senators and House members who represent the Greater Lehigh Valley, for their consistent, years-long fight for property tax reform.

"This issue impacts all homeowners, future buyers and sellers, and is a huge infringement on private property rights," Chies said as the nearly 180 attendees began to applaud. "No tax should have the power to leave someone homeless or take the American dream of home ownership away from someone."

Before becoming a Realtor, Chies owned and operated Cass Chies & Associates, an advertising and consulting agency targeting companies in the turbomachinery industry.

Chies has traveled domestically and internationally. During her travels, she met the then-president of Interspace Airport Advertising (IAA) and later became a sales manager for the company. It was during these years, Chies realized her love of meeting people and growing relationships with clients, which led her to become a Realtor.

In 2004, Chies obtained her real estate license, joined a local broker office and, within four years, had earned CRS, ABR, GRI, ASR and SRF designations. She also holds the CNE, SRES and BPOR designations.

In 2008, Chies was

'Hidden Figures' is A-OK

"Hidden Figures," as with a few of 2016's outstanding films ("Loving," "Jackie" and "The Beatles: Eight Days A Week - The Touring Years"), takes place roughly more than half a century ago, in the early 1960s, which seems to have been a more innocent time in the United States.

And, yet, as the fascinating, exciting and semi-tragic "Hidden Figures" carefully underscores, it was a time far from perfect and quite flawed once the media curtain is lifted. This, "Hidden Figures," sparked by fine performances, a solid screenplay and evocative cinematography, does without scorn or an accusatory tone and does it well.

Taraji P. Henson (TV's "Person of Interest," 2011-15), in a deserved Oscar lead actress nominee role, portrays Katherine G. Johnson, a math whiz who lands a job in the West Area Computers division of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's (NASA) Langley Research Center, Hampton, Va. Johnson is credited with calculating flight trajectories for Project Mercury and other missions.

Johnson's colleagues include Dorothy Vaughan (Octavia Spencer), who supervises African-American female employees known as "computers," in that they compute numbers, at Langley, and Mary Jackson (Janelle Monáe), who wants to become an engineer.

With the launch of the Soviet Union's Sputnik and its orbiting technology ("Russians are watching us right now," it's stated), the "space race" intensifies. President Kennedy and others pressure Al Harrison (excellent Kevin Costner), director of the Space Task Force, to get an American astronaut into space.

Johnson, then Goble prior to her marriage, is assigned to assist Harrison's team. She reports to head engineer Paul Stafford (Jim Parsons,

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REVIEW

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of TV's "The Big Bang Theory," 2006-17, in full-nerd umbrage). Vaughan is overseen by Vivian (a fine Kirsten Dunst).

The screenplay by the film's director Theodore Melfi (in his theatrical movie directorial debut; screenplay, "St. Vincent," 2014), and Allison Schroeder (in her theatrical movie screenplay debut; screenplay, "Mean Girls 2" TV movie, 2011), based on the nonfiction book, "Hidden Figures" by Margo Lee Shetterly, deftly juggles the big issues (the space race) with the details (racial relations) and the introduction of an IBM computer (this one takes up an entire room).

At the time, even though it was during the Civil Rights Movement, Virginia was still segregated, with "white-only" schools, and "Colored Bathrooms" and even, at Langley, a "colored" coffee-maker. The drama is heightened by the launch of Friendship 7, with John Glenn, managing three of seven orbits. Johnson is depicted as pivotal in the successful return of the space capsule (descending like a fireball at about 17,847 mph). The dialogue interjects just enough jargon ("Euclidian coordinates").

Visual symbolism is used in the chalk that Katherine G. Johnson uses on the blackboard as a child in school, the calculations she jots down on the blackboard at Langley and the chalk's shape, similar to that of the Redstone rocket that launched U.S. space capsules.

The art direction, set design and costuming is impeccable. You feel as though you've been launched in a time capsule back to the dawn of the space age. It's still a dawning, thanks to the courageous contributions of the "Hidden Fig-

ures," an uplifting film that can be enjoyed by the entire family.

"Hidden Figures" is more than A-OK.

"Hidden Figures," MPAA rated PG (Parental Guidance Suggested. Some Material May Not Be Suitable For Children.) for thematic elements and some language; Genre: Biography, Drama, History; Run time: 2 hrs., 7 mins.; Distributed by Fox Searchlight Pictures.

Credit Readers Anonymous: The "Hidden Figures" soundtrack includes several songs written and sung by Pharrell Williams, one of the film's producers.

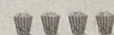
Box Office, Jan. 20: Director M. Night Shyamalan's "Split" opened at No. 1 with \$40.1 million, sending Vin Diesel packing with "xXx: Return of Xander Cage," opening at No. 2, with only \$20 million, and pushing "Hidden Figures" to No. 3, after two weeks at No. 1, with \$16.2 million, \$84.2 million, five weeks;

4. "Sing," \$9 million, \$249.3 million, five weeks; 5. "La La Land," \$8.3 million, \$89.6 million, seven weeks; 6. "Rogue One: A Star Wars Story," \$7 million, \$512.2 million, six weeks; 7. "Monster Trucks," \$7 million, \$22.6 million, two weeks; 8. "Patriots Day," \$6 million, \$23.6 million, five weeks; 9. "The Founder," \$3.7 million, opening; 10. "Sleepless," \$3.7 million, \$15.1 million, two weeks.

Unreel, Jan. 27:

"Resident Evil: The Final Chapter," R: Paul W.S. Anderson directs Ruby Rose, Mila Jovovich, Ali Larter and Iain Glen in the science-fiction film about Alice's return to The Hive in Raccoon City, where the Umbrella Corporation plans to strike against survivors of the apocalypse.

"Gold," R: Stephen Gaghan directs Matthew McConaughey, Edgar Ramirez, Bryce Dallas Howard and Toby Kebbell in the thriller about the search for gold in an Indonesian jungle.



SACRED HEART

Health-care jobs

'Open House'

Sacred Heart Hospital, 421 Chew St., Allentown, holds "Health Care Professionals Open House," 3:30 - 6:30 p.m. Jan. 31 and 8 - 11 a.m.

ST. LUKE'S

Weight-loss

book-signing

Maher El Chaar, MD, Co-Medical Director of Bariatric Surgery, St. Luke's University

Health Network, and author of "Dr. E's Guide to Weight Loss Surgery ... The Weight is Over," talks about his new book and weight-loss surgery, 1 p.m. Jan. 28, Barnes and Noble Bookstore, The Promenade Shops at Saucon Valley, Center

Feb. 1, Reception Room, Conference Center, second floor. Those interested in a career at a patient safety "A"-rated facility are invited to visit for tours and immediate interviews for the following positions: Graduate and Registered Nurses,

Certified Nursing Assistants, Mental Health Technicians, Technical Partners, Certified-Registered Medical Assistants.

Refreshments will be served. Parking is free. RSVP: jromero@SHH.org; 610-776-4586

Valley.

Dr. El Chaar will answer questions and sign books at 3 p.m. Jan. 28.

To reserve a seat for Dr. El Chaar's talk, email: infolink@sluhn.org; or call St. Luke's InfoLink, 1-866-ST-LUKES.

St. Luke's vice president heads Warren

St. Luke's University Health Network has announced that Jamie L. Thomas, DO, has been named Vice President of Medical Affairs at the St. Luke's Hospital - Warren Campus.

Dr. Thomas will focus on medical staff relationships, the quality and efficiency of clinical operations, patient experiences and clinical programming opportunities.

Less than one year ago, Thomas was named Vice President of Medical Affairs at St. Luke's Monroe Campus. She will continue in that position.

Thomas has been a key member of St. Luke's Interventional Radiology team since 2007. She has been close-

ly involved with the St. Luke's Hospital - Warren Campus since the very beginning of that campus's journey with St. Luke's on Feb. 1, 2012.

Thomas is also medical director of St. Luke's Warren Campus's vascular lab. For the past several years she has worked on key strategic initiatives with Warren Campus President Scott R. Wolfe and former VPMA, Ed Gilkey.

Thomas received a medical degree from Midwestern University and did her internship and residency at Saint Francis Hospital, Evanston, Ill. She completed a Fellowship in Interventional Radiology at the University of Chicago Hospitals.

Thomas, a Certified



Dr. Jamie L. Thomas

Physician Executive, is an MBA candidate at Isenberg School of Management at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Mass.

Thomas is married to Dr. Peter Thomas, a trauma surgeon and medical director of the Trauma Program at St. Luke's University Hospital - Bethlehem. The Thomases live in Coopersburg with their three children, Andrew, Hallie and Alex.

'Groundhog Lodges' book topic at Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum

Dr. William Donner, a Professor of Anthropology at Kutztown University, speaks about his book, "Serious Nonsense: Groundhog Lodges, Vermingling, and Pennsylvania German Heritage," 1 p.m. Feb. 4, Lehigh Valley Heritage Museum, 432 W. Walnut St., Allentown.

"Dr. Donner's book opens the doors of a uniquely Pennsylvania German institution, the Groundhog Lodge," said Joseph Garrera, Executive Director of the Museum. "Groundhog Lodges celebrate both ethnic heritage and patriotic American identity."

The Pennsylvania Dutch, technically, "Deutsch," also sometimes called Pennsylvania Germans, are people

who moved from Germany, mainly from the Palatine region, to America in the 1700s or very early 1800s. They had a major influence on the development of the Lehigh Valley.

Pennsylvania Germans brought with them the tradition of forecasting the weather on Feb. 2. In medieval German-speaking countries, the badger predicted the weather on the church holiday known as "Candlemas" (Feb. 2). If the hibernating badger saw his shadow that day, he would crawl back in his hole for another four weeks, during which winter would continue.

In Pennsylvania, the early Germanic settlers found no badgers but

a plentiful number of groundhogs, which also hibernate in winter. The Pennsylvania Germans applied the badger tradition to the groundhog.

In the early 1930s, Pennsylvania Germans created a cultural gathering, the Grundsau Lodge or Groundhog Lodge, at which everyone must speak the Pennsylvania German dialect. These lodges became a major symbol of Pennsylvania German culture, and the groundhog himself became an unofficial ethnic symbol.

Copies of Donner's book will be available for purchase and the author will sign copies following the presentation.

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ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
25th & Livingston Streets
Allentown, 610-435-0712
8:40 a.m. Morning Prayer
9 a.m. Holy Communion
10:15 a.m. Church School & Adult Bible Class
Wed. 10 a.m. Healing Service
Rev. Joseph S. Falzone

ST. THERESA ANGLICAN CHURCH
1031 Linden St., Ste. 203, Allentown
Holy Communion 9:30 a.m.
All Welcome
Bible Study/Sun School 11 a.m.
Father Harold Minor
610-653-9832
Father Joseph F. Marakovits
610-262-7390
Handicapped Accessible

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

NORTHAMPTON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
3449 Cherryville Road
Northampton 610-262-5645
www.NAOG.ws
Daniel E. Lundmark, Pastor
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible 7:30 p.m.

VALLEY CHURCH
Meets in Roxy Theater,
2004 Main St., Northampton
610-984-4904
Pastor Phil Miller
10 a.m. Every Sunday
Refreshments

BAPTIST

HERITAGE BAPTIST CHURCH OF SCHNECKSVILLE
3749 Route 309 North
Orefield, 610-395-4970
James E. Barr, Pastor
Sunday Services 9:30 a.m.
10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:30 p.m.

LEHIGH VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH
4702 Colebrook Ave.
Emmaus
610-965-4700
Pastor Roland Hammett
Bible Discovery Groups, S.S. 9 a.m.
Sunday 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Mtg. 7 p.m.
www.lv baptist.org

LIGHTHOUSE BAPTIST CHURCH
2096 Independent Road
(Rt. 863 S nr New Smithville)
Breinigsville 610-285-2235
Rev. Hal Hopkins, Pastor
www.LighthouseBaptist.org
9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
10:30 a.m. Worship/Children's Church
Thurs. Prayer & Bible Study 1 & 7 p.m.
Handicapped Accessible

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

BETHANY BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH
3300 Seventh Street
Whitehall, 610-434-8661
www.WhitehallBFC.org
Timothy Schmoyer, Sr. Pastor
9 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
6 p.m. Bible Study
7 p.m. Youth Group

EPISCOPAL

SAINT MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
150 Elm Street
Emmaus, PA 18049
610-967-1450
www.stmargaretsemmaus.org
9:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST
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610-285-6967
Christian Ed., 9 a.m.
Snack & Chat 9:45 a.m.
Worship 10:15 a.m.
Rev. Ken Kalisz
hopecommunitychurch.org

EVANGELICAL FREE

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH
7343 Gun Club Road
New Tripoli 610-298-8028
Rev. Kenneth Spence
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
www.gccnt.org

FULL GOSPEL

CALVARY TEMPLE
3436 Winchester Road
Allentown 610-398-3222
Rev. Ray A. Ricketts, Sr. Pastor
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Children's Church 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Service & Children & Youth 7 p.m.
Handicapped Accessible
ctoffice@ptd.net
calvarytemplepa.org
Visitors Welcome

LUTHERAN

CEDAR LUTHERAN CHURCH
3419 Broadway, Cetronia
610-395-6332
Rev. Gordon Camp
9 a.m. Worship
(Communion - 1st & 3rd
Sunday of each month)
Handicapped Accessible

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
13th & Hamilton Sts., 610-433-4271
Rev. William Maxon, Senior Pastor
Rev. Maritza T. Dolich,
Outreach Pastor
9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship
9 a.m. Education Hour
Parking Lot Available
www.christ-atown.org

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(Intersection of Sauerkraut Lane)
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9:15 a.m. Fellowship
9:30 a.m. (Family Education)
Rev. Wally Vinovskis 610-965-3265
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FAITH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
3355 MacArthur Road
Whitehall, PA 18052
(610) 435-0451
8 & 10:30 a.m. Worship
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
The Rev. Michael J. Bodnyk
www.faithlutheranwhitehall.org
Handicapped Accessible
Hearing Devices Available

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
28 W. Main St. Macungie
Sunday Worship 8 & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
(Ages 2-Adult)
Handicapped Accessible
Rev. Samantha Drennan
610-966-3325
www.gracemacungie.org
Visitors Always Welcome!

HEIDELBERG LUTHERAN CHURCH
Irvin & Church Roads
Slatington near Saegersville
610-767-4740
9:45 a.m. Faith Formation, all ages
11 a.m. Worship
Handicapped Accessible/AC
www.heidelberglutheran.org
Interim Pastor Ginny Goodwin

HOLY TRINITY MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Fourth & Pine Sts.
Catasauqua 610-264-2641
Pastor Don Hayn
7:30 a.m. Spoken Communion
9 a.m. Sunday School
9 a.m. Holy Communion

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH

4131 Lehigh Drive, P.O. Box 1030
Cherryville (610) 767-7203
www.hopecherryville.org
The Rev. Jami Possinger, Pastor
The Rev. Brian Rajcok, Asst. Pastor
8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship, SS 9:15
Handicap Access. & Air Conditioned
People of Hope, working together,
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1707 Church Road
Allentown, PA 18103
610-797-6933
Rev. Kathleen Coleman
8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study
9 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Worship

JORDAN LUTHERAN CHURCH
5103 Snowdrift Road
Orefield 610-395-5912
8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
Holy Communion
1st & 3rd Sun. at 10:30 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sun. at 8 a.m.
Contemporary Svc. (4th Sun., 4:30)
Handicap Acc./Hearing Devices Avail.
www.jordanlutheran.org

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

3461 Cedar Crest Blvd.
Emmaus, PA 18049
610-967-2220
Rev. Richard H. Elliott, Sr. Pastor
Rev. James Bowers, Assoc. Pastor
Sunday Holy Communion
7:30, 8:45, 10:45 a.m.
"Cafe Worship 9:50 a.m."
Rejoicing Spirits...
Special Service for developmentally disabled adults & children
2nd Sunday each month at 2:30 p.m.

NATIVITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

4004 Tilghman St. 610-395-5062
John P. Minnich, STM, Pastor
Communion
1st & 3rd Sunday & every Saturday
Saturday Worship 6 p.m.
Sunday School 8 & 10:30 a.m.
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
www.nativityallentown.org

NORTHAMPTON LUTHERAN PARISH
Holy Trinity Slovak & Zion
SS 8:45 AM
10:00 A.M. Worship at Zion
1904 Main Street
Interim Pastor Bruce MacLaughlin
610-261-1812

SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS LUTHERAN CHURCH

4331 Main St., Whitehall 610-262-1600
Rev. James W. Schlegel
Wheelchair accessible
8 & 10:15 a.m. Sunday Worship
Communion every Sunday 8 a.m.
Every 1st, 3rd & 4th Sun. 10:15 a.m.
Education Hour 8:50 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

1028 Church Street
Fogelsville 610-395-5535
Rev. Nelson Quinones
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
(Handicapped Accessible-Elevator)
www.stjohns-fogelsville.org

ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Reconciling in Christ Congregation
37 S. 5th St., Allentown
610-435-1587
Worship : Saturday, 5:30 p.m. and
Sunday, 8 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Website:
www.stjohnsallentown.org
Pastor Lori Kochanski

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

5th & Chestnut Sts.
Emmaus 610-965-9885
Elizabeth Vaughn, Music Min. Director
www.stjohnsemmaus.org
Worship 8 & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Church School
for All Ages 9:15 a.m.

UNION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

5500 Rt. 873, Schnecksville
610-767-6884
Worship Service 9:00 a.m.
Handicapped Accessible
All Welcome, Ulclv.org
Rejoicing Spirits...
Special service for developmentally disabled adults & children
4th Sunday each month at 10:15 a.m.

WEISENBERG LUTHERAN CHURCH

7645 Weisenberg Church Rd.
New Tripoli, PA 18066
610-298-2437
Pastor Ray Hand
Worship 9 a.m.
Sunday School 10:15 a.m.
Holy Communion 1st Sunday
Wheelchair accessible

ZIEGELS LUTHERAN
9990 Ziegels Church Road
Breinigsville, PA 18031
Phone: 610-285-6157
www.ziegelschurch.org
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship 11:05 a.m.
Handicapped Accessible
Rev. Andrew Meckstroth,
Interim Pastor

MORAVIAN

EMMAUS MORAVIAN CHURCH
146 Main St., Emmaus, PA 18049
610-965-6067
Rt. Rev. Christian Giesler, Pastor
9 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship
www.emmausmoravian.org
Linda Wisser, Director,
Growth & Development

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

EGYPT COMMUNITY CHURCH
4129 S. Church St. Whitehall
610-262-4961 Pastor Brad Roth
9 a.m. Sunday School all ages
10:30 a.m. Sunday Praise Service
Handicapped Accessible
Child Care, Air Conditioned
Blended Worship of hymns,
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JACOB'S CHURCH

Route 143, Jacksonville, PA
Rev. Scott L. Shay, Pastor
610-756-6352 or
610-756-6676
Church School 9 a.m.
Family Worship 10 a.m.
Nursery Available
Bible Study Wed. 7:30 p.m.
Handicapped Accessible

LIVING STONE FELLOWSHIP
6925 Flint Hill Road
New Tripoli, PA 18066
610-298-3020
Senior Pastor: Jean Masiko
Sunday Worship Service 10:00 a.m.
Children of all ages welcome
Handicapped Accessible
www.thehealingchurch.com

PRESBYTERIAN

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM
2344 Center St., Bethlehem
In The Kirk Center
Oasis Contemporary Services
Saturdays at 6 p.m.
Sundays at 9 & 11 a.m.
In the Sanctuary
10 a.m. Sundays
610-867-5865
www.fpc-bethlehem.org

PRESBYTERIAN PC (USA)

ALLENTOWN FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Cedar Crest Blvd. & Tilghman St.
8 a.m. Communion Service, Chapel
9 & 10:30 a.m. Alternative Worship
10 a.m. Arabic Worship in the Chapel
10:15 a.m. Trad. Worship Sanctuary
12:15 a.m. Chin Worship, in the Chapel
610-395-3781/www.fpcallentown.org

BETHLEHEM FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PC(USA)

8:30 a.m. Sanctuary
2344 Center St. Bethlehem
"The center on Center Street is
back and ALL are welcome!"
http://www.fpcb-pcusa.org
Rev. Dr. William Hess

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EMMAUS

N. 2nd & Cherokee Sts.
Emmaus 610-967-5600
10:00 a.m. Worship
Nursery care provided
11:15 a.m. Sunday School
www.faithchurchemmaus.org
office@faithchurchemmaus.org

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF HOKENDAUQUA

3005 S. Front Street
Whitehall, PA 18052
610-264-9693
Worship 10 a.m.
Email: hokeypres@gmail.com
Web: www.hokeypres.org

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CATASAUQUA

2nd & Pine Sts.
610-264-2595
Rev. P. Douglas Cronce, Pastor
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
Nursery available
All Are Welcome!
cattypresbyterian.com

QUAKERS

LEHIGH VALLEY FRIENDS MEETING
4116 Bath Pike, Bethlehem, PA
1/2 mi. North of US 22 on PA 512
610-691-3411
Meeting for Worship 9:30 a.m.
Everyone welcome
Child care provided
Web: LehighValleyQuakers.org

SHARED MINISTRY

JERUSALEM WESTERN SALISBURY CHURCH
3441 Devonshire Road
Allentown, PA 18103
610-797-4242 or 610-791-4979
Rev. Homer E. Royer Jr., Sr. Pastor
8 a.m. Luth. Holy Comm. Svc. altar
9 a.m. Sunday School Classes
10:30 a.m. UCC Word Service

UNITED CH. OF CHRIST

CEDAR U.C.C.
3419 Broadway
(2 blks. W. Cedar Crest Blvd.)
610-395-6332
Pastor Lee Schleicher
10:30 a.m. Worship
All Are Welcome!

CHRIST CHURCH UCC
75 E. Market St., Bethlehem
610-865-6565
www.christchurch.org
9:15 a.m. Faith Formation
10:30 a.m. Worship
Nursery Avail./Handicap Acces.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD U.C.C.
135 Quarry Rd., Alburtis
610-966-2991
Rev. Scott M. Sanders
9 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship
Oh No, Snow Celebration
Tuesdays - W in 'N Jesus 6:30-7 p.m.

EBENEZER U.C.C.

Route 143, New Tripoli
610-298-8000
Rev. Kevin Fruchtl, Pastor
9 a.m. Sunday School (Ages 3-103)
10:15 a.m. Worship Service
Nursery Available
Handicapped Accessible

GRACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

902 Lincoln Ave.
Northampton, PA 18067
The Rev. Heather N. Kurtz
610-262-7186 graceuccchurch.com
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship
Summer Worship 9:30 a.m.
Handicapped Accessible

HEIDELBERG U.C.C.

Irvin & Church Roads
Slatington near Saegersville
Pastor Karen Yonney
610-767-4740
8:30 a.m. Worship Service
9:45 Faith Formation, all ages
Handicapped Accessible/AC
www.uccheidelberg.org

HOPE U.C.C.

1031 Flexer Ave., Allentown
610-439-8118
Pastor Mia G. White
9 a.m. Contemporary Worship
10:15 a.m. Traditional Worship
Child Care Available
www.hopeuccallentownpa.org

JORDAN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

1837 Church Road, Allentown
(Corner of 309 & Walbert Ave.)
jordanucc.org
610-395-2218
Rev. Dr. David Charles Smith, Pastor
8 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Services
9:15 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

OLD ZIONSVILLE UCC

5981 Fountain Rd., Old Zionsville
(at the Y of Fountain Rd & King's Hwy)
The Rev. Lori Esslinger 610-966-3601
Home of the Village School Preschool,
openings for ages 2-4
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Worship 9 & 10:15 a.m.
www.oldzionsucc.org

SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

615 Third Street
Catasauqua, PA 18032
610-264-4091
Rev. Mike Smith, Pastor
9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Sunday Worship
8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School
Handicapped Accessible
Nursery Available

ST. JOHN'S U.C.C. FULLERTON

575 Grape Street, Whitehall 18052
Rev. Dr. Becky J. Beckwith, Sr. Pastor
Rev. George Eckstein, Assoc. Pastor
Michelle Funk, Asst. Pastor
8:15 & 10:45 Worship 610-264-8421
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship
Accessible & Elevator
Everyone is Welcome!
stjohnsucc.pastor@rcn.com

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

139 North Fourth St.
Emmaus 610-965-9158
Pastor Rev. Dr. Paul Knappenberger
8 & 10:30 a.m. Worship
9:15 Sunday School
Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. Informal Worship

ST. MARK'S U.C.C.

52 E. Susquehanna St. Allentown
610-797-0181
Rev. Gerald Smith
Sunday School 9 a.m.
Worship 10 a.m.
(Children's time with puppets)
Handicap Accessible

ST. PAUL'S UCC OF INDIANLAND

767 Almond Road
Walnutport (Cherryville)
610-767-5751
Rev. Martin E. Nuscher
9 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Traditional Worship
8 a.m. Contemporary Worship,
2nd & 4th Sunday
Nursery Avail. Handicapped Accessible

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

19th St. & Lincoln Ave.
Northampton 610-261-2910
Rev. Todd Fennell
9 a.m. Sunday School
10:15 a.m. Worship
Nursery & Child Care provided
Sally Jane Payson, Child Care Teacher
Sanctuary, Handicapped Accessible

ST. PETER'S LYNNVILLE UCC

5129 Schochary Road
New Tripoli, PA
610-298-8064
Worship 9:30 a.m.
Handicapped Accessible
All Welcome!
Pastor Rebekah Thomas

TRINITY U.C.C.

11 N.Third St.
Coplay, PA 18037
Sunday Service 9:30 a.m.
All Are Welcome!

UNION U.C.C.

5550 Route 873
Neffs, PA 18065-0066
610-767-6961
www.unionucc.org
8 a.m. Heritage Worship
9:15 a.m. Education Hour (Sept.-May)
10:30 a.m. Horizon Worship

ZIEGEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

9990 Ziegels Church Road
Breinigsville, PA 18031
Phone: 610-285-6157
Rev. Jeffrey Kistler, Interim Pastor
www.ziegelschurch.org
Worship, 8:30 a.m.
10 a.m. Sunday School
Handicapped Accessible

UNITED METHODIST

BETHANY CHURCH
Church Office 610-395-3613
Macungie Campus
3801 Brookside Rd., Macungie
Sat. Contemporary 5 p.m.
Sun. Blended Worship 8 a.m.
Sun. Contemporary 9:15 & 11 a.m.
Wescosville Campus
1208 Brookside Rd., Wescosville
Wed. Contemporary 6:30 p.m.
Catasauqua Campus
429 Walnut St., Catasauqua
Sun. Contemporary 9:30 a.m.

To have your religious services listed in The Press
contact Joie Jackson Wenner at 610-740-0944 — Ext. 3703

Delicious dumplings



PRESS PHOTOS BY SUSAN BRYANT

Northern Valley Ambulance Corps Ladies Auxiliary members Julie Barna, Bobbi Schmidt, Bettylou Danner, Suzanne Pfeiffer, Irene Scheir, Judy Seyler and Caroline Kotch, all of North Whitehall, work together Jan. 22 at their headquarters in Ormrod to make apple dumplings for Jan. 23 pickup.



Kevin Schmidt of Slatington pours topping on the apple dumplings awaiting customers at the Northern Valley Ambulance Corps Ladies Auxiliary sale.

12th annual Student Poetry Project now accepting entries for contest

Submissions are now being accepted for the 12th annual award-winning Lehigh Valley Press Student Poetry Project.

In celebration of National Poetry Month in April, poems will be selected in each of the Elementary School, Middle School and High School categories and published in the April 26 and 27 Focus section in the eight Lehigh Valley Press newspapers and web sites.

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

Also, the three writers of the first-place poems will be invited to

read their poems and be interviewed on "Lehigh Valley Arts Salon," 6 - 6:30 p.m. April 24, WDIY, Lehigh Valley Community Radio, 88.1 FM, wdiy.org.

The entry guidelines:
 1. The Student Poetry Project is open to Lehigh Valley elementary school, middle school and high school public, parochial, private, charter, cyber and home-school students in the circulation areas of the Lehigh Valley Press newspapers: Salisbury Press, East Penn Press, Parkland Press, Northwestern Press, Whitehall-Coplay Press, Catasauqua Press, Northampton Press and Bethlehem Press.

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

point. No illustrations will be accepted.

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

4. Each student may submit one or up to three poems, which must be his or her original composition. Each poem should be a separate entry. Students working with short forms such as haiku may submit a sequence of three to five poems with a title, on a single page. Single haiku will not be accepted.

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

6. Hand-written or

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

7. Entries must be received (by U.S. Mail or email) by 5 p.m. March 17.

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

9. Copies of poems will not be returned.

10. For ideas on teaching poetry, go to: Poetry Project on Facebook.

Working poor live life of struggle

By Pattie Mihalik
 A lot of people have the wrong opinion about the poor. Some mistakenly believe it's only those who don't try hard enough or work hard enough who end up in poverty.

In other words, if you're poor, it's your own fault.

Anyone who believes that fallacy should come with me to a class called "How to Get Ahead in a Just Getting By World."

The class is for people who are living in poverty and want to make their lives better. Attendance is voluntary and nothing is given to participants — nothing except knowledge about how to make their lives better.

Some people have the belief that someone who is poor or homeless is a bum who doesn't want to work.

You can't believe that if you sit in class and listen to their stories.

Take Charlie, for instance. He has worked hard every day of his life but he still qualifies as "the working poor."

Even with working for 11 years as a nurse's aide at an area hospital, his yearly wages put him below the poverty line.

Charlie and his wife struggled each week just to feed, house and support their four children.

Then she decided she had enough. She didn't want to struggle anymore and she didn't want the demands of being a mother. So she took off, leaving Charlie to take care of his kids, attend to their many problems, and work hard to support them.

When he hurt his back lifting a heavy patient, he had to keep working despite pain. There was no other choice because someone living paycheck to paycheck can't afford a sick day.

Then Charlie's hospital decided all full-time workers had to take off two weeks without pay. The hospital said that was better than laying people off.

Let me ask you this. With no warning, could you survive two weeks without a paycheck?

Charlie couldn't. He now rides a bicycle to work because he can't afford a car.

He missed paying rent for the second time and was evicted. He and his four kids have moved into a small trailer with a relative while Charlie tries to come up with a security deposit and two months rent so he can move his kids back into their school district.

Sometimes I wish I could wave a magic wand and solve people's problems.

What impressed me in that Getting out of Poverty class was seeing how hard class members were trying just to survive. Yet they keep getting knocked on their behinds.

One homeless fellow who touched my heart was Tom, an older fellow definitely down on his luck. He was living in his old van that had no air conditioning and seemed to be held together by duct tape.

WARMEST REGARDS
 By Pattie Mihalik
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To escape the heat, Tom spent time sitting on a park bench near the water. One day as he scanned the water he saw a young boy struggling to stay afloat. When the boy went under and didn't emerge, Tom dove into the water to save him. That he did, but in the process he seriously injured his leg on rocks near the shore.

Unable to walk, he asked passers-by to drive him to the emergency room. Incredibly, people walked away after taking one look at his long hair and scruffy appearance.

I see Tom as a hero. Others see him as just another homeless bum.

Finally, one compassionate woman dropped him off at the hospital where he was given crutches and sent on his way without being shown how to use them.

He fell in the parking lot and was unable to get up. I can't believe no one stopped to help in that busy parking lot.

Sadly, Tom had a stroke before a police officer came to help.

He needs rehab to learn how to walk and talk again. But there is little help for someone without family or resources.

One guy argued that point with me, claiming "the bums get everything for free while working stiffs like me have to pay for everything."

Again, that's perception. It's not the truth. At least not in many cases.

I wanted to interview Tom in the hospital about what happened to him after he saved the life of a child. But he has yet to regain speech after his stroke.

My friend Pat Knox is one of my heroes because she works full time at a volunteer job helping the poor.

Sometimes she gives a box of food to someone who cries with gratitude. Other times the homeless guys try to help with carrying boxes, she said.

But one homeless man became verbally abusive with a news volunteer trying to give him a box of food. He said she didn't understand when you have no home, you can't cook your own food.

"In more than a decade of doing this, that was the first time a homeless person was nasty," Pat said.

She hoped that incident didn't reinforce the belief that homeless people are dangerous.

"Most are not. Many are just down on their luck," she said.

Volunteers like Pat continue to work in faith to help the needy — both the working poor and the homeless.

"It's what we all are called to do," Pat says. "We can't eliminate poverty. But we can help to feed the poor and help wherever we can."

Contact Pattie Mihalik at newsgirl@comcast.net.

How to prevent getting Lyme disease

Q. Can you get Lyme disease in Hawaii?

It's possible, but the odds are against it. Here is some information from the Hawaii State Department of Health:

"Lyme disease is an illness caused by bacteria called *Borrelia burgdorferi*. Lyme disease is the most common tick-borne illness reported on the mainland United States but is not found in Hawaii since the type of tick that spreads this disease is not present in Hawaii."

The federal government's Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has identified the Northeast, the upper Midwest and the West Coast as places you're most likely to get Lyme disease. However, Lyme disease is found in many parts of the United States, Europe, Asia and Australia. You should check with the health departments in your

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area. Lyme disease is caused by bacteria spread by bites primarily from deer ticks, which are brown and often no bigger than a pin head. The disease was named for a Connecticut town where it was first recognized in 1975.

Lyme disease can cause fever, headaches, fatigue, joint pain, sore muscles, stiff neck and a skin rash that usually begins where the tick dug in. The rash may start out as a small red spot that can get bigger. A ring within the spot can fade and create a "bull's eye." Some people with Lyme disease get many red spots.

If you don't treat Lyme disease, it can spread to the heart,

joints and the nervous system. Patients with late Lyme disease can suffer permanent damage. If Lyme disease spreads to the heart, the person may feel an irregular or slow heartbeat. The disease is rarely fatal.

Lyme disease is treated with antibiotics. In most cases of early Lyme disease, two to four weeks of oral antibiotics kill the bacteria. If the disease has progressed, your doctor may recommend an intravenous antibiotic for two to four weeks. This IV treatment is usually effective, although it may take some time to recover.

Lyme disease is often misdiagnosed. The disease's symptoms are shared with other conditions such as viral infections, joint disorders, muscle pain (fibromyalgia), chronic fatigue syndrome and depression.

There is no vaccine for Lyme disease. A vaccine approved by the Food and Drug Administration in 1998 was pulled from the market in 2002.

The CDC reports that there are more than 30,000 cases of Lyme disease each year. Most cases are reported in the summer when people are outdoors and ticks are most active.

Only a minority of deer tick bites lead to Lyme disease. The longer the tick remains attached to your skin, the greater your risk of contracting the disease. You aren't likely to get Lyme disease if the tick has been attached to your skin for less than 48 hours.

To remove a tick, use fine-tipped tweezers. Grab the tick as close to your skin as possible. Pull in a steady upward motion until the tick comes out. Then apply an antiseptic to the bite area and wash your hands with soap and water. Save the tick for possible identification by a doctor.

The best method of fighting Lyme disease is to prevent tick bites. Here are some recommendations:

When you go into the woods, wear light-colored pants and long-sleeve shirts, shoes (no sandals) and a hat. Tuck pant legs into socks or shoes, and tuck shirts into pants. Light-colored garments are better for locating ticks.

Stay on trails and avoid walking through low bushes and long grass.

Use an insect repellent containing DEET or permethrin.

After you spend time outdoors, check for ticks. Then wash and dry clothing at high temperatures.

Have a question? Email: fred@healthygeezzer.com.

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FOR LOCATIONS, CALL 610-559-3245

- Wednesday, Jan. 25: Marinated turkey cutlet, seasoned red potatoes, mixed vegetables, wheat bread with margarine, fresh fruit cup. Thursday, Jan. 26: Ham, cabbage and potato soup, Swedish meatballs over noodles, California vegetable blend, wheat bread with margarine, chilled plums. Friday, Jan. 27: Macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, Romaine salad with ranch dressing, wheat bread with margarine, iced carrot cake. Monday, Jan. 30: Chili con carne with cheddar cheese garnish over bread bowl, pepper slaw, Mandarin oranges. Tuesday, Jan. 31: Clear mushroom soup with winter vegetables, smoked sausage, grilled potatoes with egg, three bean salad, fresh biscuit with margarine, apple walnut crumb cake. Wednesday, Feb. 1: Spaghetti with meat sauce, parmesan cheese, tossed salad with Italian dressing, Italian bread with margarine, fresh seedless grapes. Thursday, Feb. 2: Lemon parmesan chicken, rosemary red potatoes, oven roasted Brussels sprouts, wheat bread with margarine, blushed pears.

Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

9x9 Sudoku grid with some numbers filled in.

Difficulty Level ★★★

1/25

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

Answer to previous puzzle

9x9 grid with numbers 1-9, representing the solution to the previous puzzle.

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOUNTAIN HILL BOROUGH

Notice is hereby given that the following Ordinance will be introduced at the meeting of the Borough Council on February 6, 2017:

ORDINANCE #834, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF FOUNTAIN HILL, CHAPTER 15, PART 3, PROHIBITING PARKING AT VARIOUS TIMES, AMENDING SCHEDULE 2 (B)(7), AUTHORIZING THE INSTALLATION OF SPECIAL PURPOSE PARKING SIGNS ON WARREN STREET

A Public Hearing will be held on ordinance #834 on March 6, 2017, at which time the Ordinance will be considered for adoption on second reading. Upon adoption, said ordinance will become effective in accordance with law.

A complete copy of the text of the proposed Ordinance is available for examination without charge in the office of the Borough of Fountain Hill, 941 Long Street, Fountain Hill, PA 18015, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

A copy of the Ordinance has been supplied to The Bethlehem Press, 1633 N. 26th St. Allentown, PA 18104.

The Borough of Fountain Hill is required by law to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Any person that requires special assistance to understand the nature of the business conducted at the above meeting because of visual, hearing or other impairment is requested to contact the Borough Executive Administrator at least five (5) days prior to the scheduled meeting to arrange for the necessary assistance.

Bethany Sebesta Assistant to the Executive Administrator

Jan. 25

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See solution on page B10

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: H equals F

THE PRESS Classified Ad Index

Table listing various classified ad categories and their corresponding page numbers, such as Lost & Found (40), Entertainment (50), Real Estate (530-550), and Motorcycles (890).

PREMIER Crossword

By Frank A. Longo

BIRD-LOVING CELEBRITIES

ACROSS

- 1 Small packages 8 Barely gets, with "out" 12 Lyric penner Gershwin 15 Bamboozle 19 Sea-related 20 Bit of 19-Across flora 21 Brew barrel 22 Sampras of tennis 23 Bird-loving "Hud" Oscar winner? 25 Bird-loving former Argentine first lady? 27 Hip-hop's Snoop — 28 Speed skater Eric 30 Saffron, e.g. 31 Bird-loving "Show Boat" composer? 34 With 111-Down, put in reserve 36 Fit to be ingested 39 Invoice fig. 40 Ending for Saturn 41 More ghostly 44 Hershiser of the mound 45 Butte relative 47 Circle's lack 49 Bird loving co-star of "The Parent Trap"? 52 Seize with a certain tool 54 URL-starting letters 56 Old Russian despots 57 Bird-loving Rolling Stones frontman? 61 Hones 62 Certain PC readout 65 Diarist Nin 66 Iris feature 69 In name only 71 Twirled 72 Bird-loving host of "The Tonight Show"? 75 O'Hara plantation 76 "Madame" of wax 78 Insightful 79 Popular dorm dish 80 Beatified Mlle. 81 Free of dirt 83 Bird-loving "Private Benjamin" star? 86 Fleece 87 Violinist Hilary 89 Humorist Bombeck 90 Bird-loving "Lethal Weapon" co-star? 94 Truck type 96 Final Four gp. 100 Basso's solo, say 101 Is grinning 103 State treasury 105 Even a bit of 106 Cinnamon gum brand 109 Snow-capped peak 110 Bird-loving "Santa Baby" singer? 113 Like pixies

15x15 crossword grid with numbers indicating starting points for clues.

- 115 City on the Rio Grande 117 "That's not for — say" 118 Bird-loving "Que Sera, Sera" singer? 121 Bird-loving "White Christmas" songwriter? 125 Boastful 126 Lyrical poem 127 Call for 128 Ceramic casserole dish 129 Pull along 130 Lie-down 131 "Jane —" 132 Tainted 18 Most priests 24 In the lead 26 Concealed 29 No, to Hans 31 Road tie-up 32 Kagan of justice 33 Hint of color 35 Grade for sophomores 37 Maui wreath 38 First in line? 42 Summer hrs. in PA 43 Take on, as the challenge 46 Name in low-carb dieting 48 "War is hell" general 50 Glossy fabric 51 P-U linkup 53 A.M. drinks 55 They beat deuces 57 Ship poles 58 Data for processing 59 Result in 60 Shapely leg, slangily 61 Old TV's John-Boy and Erin 62 Alpaca kin 63 Rod of baseball 64 Quaffed 67 O'er and o'er 68 Chuckle 70 Person from Provo 72 Minty quaff 73 Lofty goals 74 Toon frame 77 Like sore muscles 79 Dreamy sleep phase 82 Luring smell 84 Resign, as a position 85 Like Joyce and Yeats 86 Mimicking a mad dog 87 Phone service providing aid 88 "How — you?" 90 Pat 91 Radio host Shapiro 92 Nation of West Africa 93 Repulsive 95 Actor Zac 97 Actress FitzGerald or Stacey 98 Basketballer Walker or painter Watteau 99 Positive vote 102 Pitcher Tom 104 Shutterbug's equipment 107 Flunking grades 108 Medium-hot mustard 111 See 34-Across 112 Gymnast Strug 114 Zilch, to Juan 116 Mice, to owls 118 Netflix item 119 Dinghy thing 120 "Indeedy" 122 Some sporty autos 123 Gathered together 124 Flanders of Springfield

See solution on page B10

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PUBLIC NOTICE
ORDINANCE #
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 260-19, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CATASAUQUA, AS AMENDED, PROHIBITING PARKING ON UNION STREET BETWEEN FRONT AND SECOND STREETS. WHEREAS, Borough Council has approved a revision to the traffic pattern on Front Street; and WHEREAS, the changed traffic pattern requires modification to intersecting streets to allow for the smooth and unimpeded connection between Front Street and Second Street; and WHEREAS, one of the main connector streets is Union Street. **BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Council of the Borough of Catasauqua, Lehigh County and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania: **SECTION 1:** That Section 260-19 of the Catasauqua Code of Ordinances entitled "Prohibited Parking in Certain Locations", as amended, be further amended to prohibit parking at any and all times in the following location: **Union Street south side between Front Street and Second Street.** **SECTION 2:** That this change to the parking regulations shall take effect April 1, 2017. **ORDAINED AND ENACTED** on this 6th day of February, 2016
BOROUGH OF CATASAUQUA
BY: Vincent P. Smith
President of Council
ATTEST: Eugene L. Goldfeder
Secretary
BY: Barbara A. Schlegel
Mayor
Jan. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Sealed bids marked "2017 CONCRETE CURB AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS" - **CONTRACT NO. 17-01** will be received by the Township of Whitehall, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, Pa 18052 until 3:00 PM Wednesday, February 23, 2017. Bids will be publicly opened and read at 3:00 PM on Thursday, February 24, 2017. Late bids will not be accepted.

The project involves the 2017 construction of approximately 230 Linear Feet of concrete curbs, 2,800 Square Feet of concrete sidewalks along seven (7) street projects in Whitehall Township. The estimated "curb" quantities are 75% of the measured total, assuming 25% is performed by private contractors chosen by the property owners. The estimated "sidewalk" quantities are 60% of the measured total, assuming 40% is performed by private contractors chosen by the property owner.

The Contractor's work will involve the construction of concrete curbs and/or sidewalks for private property owners, which the Township will administer, supervise, and coordinate on the owner's behalf. All Bidders shall have at least five (5) years past experience in concrete work of a character and quantity similar to that included within the Contract Specifications.

The successful bidder shall follow our proposed construction schedule and shall complete each street project by the time periods listed for each, with the last Street Project's completion deadline by September 15, 2017. Liquidated damages of \$50 per calendar day will be assessed to the Contractor for each street project that is not completed by its scheduled completion date until its satisfactory completion.

Bid documents can be obtained at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building or call (610) 437-5524. They are also available online at www.whitehalltownship.org under Administration then the Purchasing tab.
MARY ANN MILLER, CPPO
Purchasing Agent
Jan. 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE OF REAL ESTATE
PURSUANT TO Pa.R.C.P. No. 3129
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
OF LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
CIVIL ACTION - LAW
NO. 2015-C-3762

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Plaintiff vs. Bertha M. Huber a/k/a Bertha Huber (deceased); Francis S. Huber (deceased); Ronald Huber, as believed heir to the Estate of Bertha M. Huber a/k/a Bertha Huber; Marie Leiby, as believed heir to the Estate of Bertha M. Huber a/k/a Bertha Huber; Joanne Koval, as believed heir to the Estate of Bertha M. Huber a/k/a Bertha Huber; John Gulich, as believed heir to the Estate of Bertha M. Huber a/k/a Bertha Huber; Andrew Gulich, as believed heir to the Estate of Bertha M. Huber a/k/a Bertha Huber; Unknown Heirs, and/or Administrators of the Estate of Bertha M. Huber a/k/a Bertha Huber, Defendants
TO: Unknown Heirs, and/or Administrators of the Estate of Bertha M. Huber a/k/a Bertha Huber - Take Notice that by virtue of the Writ of Execution issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, and directed to the Sheriff of Lehigh County, there will be exposed to Public Sale at the Lehigh County Courthouse, Rm. 131, on the 1st Fl., 455 W. Hamilton St., Allentown, PA 18101 on 3/24/17 at 10:00AM, prevailing local time, your real property described herein. The Real Property to Be Sold is delineated in detail in a legal description consisting of a statement of the measured boundaries of the property, together with a brief mention of the buildings and any other major improvements erected on the land. The location of your property to be sold is: 421 Grape Street, Whitehall, PA 18052. The Judgment under or pursuant to which your property is being sold is docketed to No. 2015-C-3762. A complete copy of the Notice of Sheriff Sale will be sent to you upon request to the Atty. for the Plaintiff, Kimberly A. Bonner, Manley Deas Kochalski LLC, P. O. Box 165028, Columbus, OH 43216-5028, 614-220-5611. This Paper is a Notice of the Time and Place of the Sale of Your Property. It has been issued because there is a Judgment Against You. It May Cause Your Property to be Held, to be Sold or Taken to Pay the Judgment. You may have legal rights to prevent your property from being taken away. A lawyer can advise you more specifically of those rights. If you wish to exercise your rights, You Must Act Promptly. YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET FREE LEGAL ADVICE: Lawyer Referral Service, P.O. Box 1324, Allentown, PA 18105, (610) 433-7094.
Jan. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
In The Court of Common Pleas
Of Lehigh County, Pennsylvania
Civil Action-Law
No. 2015-C-3668
Notice of Action in Mortgage Foreclosure
Selene Finance LP, Plaintiff vs. Mamie Jackson a/k/a April Joseph a/k/a April Redfern and Unknown Heirs, Successors, Assigns and All Persons, Firms or Associations Claiming Right, Title or Interest from or Under Beulah P. Brent, deceased, Defendant(s)
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL PROPERTY
TO: Unknown Heirs, Successors, Assigns and All Persons, Firms or Associations Claiming Right, Title or Interest from or Under Beulah P. Brent, deceased, Defendant(s), whose last known address is 947 West Emaus Avenue, Allentown, PA 18103.
Your house (real estate) at: 947 West Emaus Avenue, Allentown, PA 18103, 640529443703-1, is scheduled to be sold at Sheriff's Sale on April 28, 2017, at 10:00 AM, at Lehigh County Courthouse, 455 W. Hamilton St., Allentown, PA 18105-1548, to enforce the court judgment of \$208,372.44, obtained by Selene Finance LP (the mortgagee) against you. - **NOTICE OF OWNER'S RIGHTS - YOU MAY BE ABLE TO PREVENT THIS SHERIFF'S SALE** - To prevent this Sheriff's Sale you must take immediate action: 1. The sale will be cancelled if you pay back to Selene Finance LP the amount of the judgment plus costs or the back payments, late charges, costs, and reasonable attorneys fees due. To find out how much you must pay, you may call (610)278-6800. 2. You may be able to stop the sale by filing a petition asking the Court to strike or open the judgment, if the judgment was improperly entered. You may also ask the Court to postpone the sale for good cause. 3. You may be able to stop the sale through other legal proceedings. 4. You may need an attorney to assert your rights. The sooner you contact one, the more chance you will have of stopping the sale. (See notice below on how to obtain an attorney.) - **YOU MAY STILL BE ABLE TO SAVE YOUR PROPERTY AND YOU HAVE OTHER RIGHTS EVEN IF THE SHERIFF'S SALE DOES TAKE PLACE** - 5. If the Sheriff's Sale is not stopped, your property will be sold to the highest bidder. You may find out the price bid by calling (610)278-6800. 6. You may be able to petition the Court to set aside the sale if the bid price was grossly inadequate compared to the value of your property. 7. The sale will go through only if the buyer pays the Sheriff the full amount due in the sale. To find out if this has happened you may call 610-782-3175. 8. If the amount due from the buyer is not paid to the Sheriff, you will remain the owner of the property as if the sale never happened. 9. You have a right to remain in the property until the full amount due is paid to the Sheriff and the Sheriff gives a deed to the buyer. At that time, the buyer may bring legal proceedings to evict you. 10. You may be entitled to a share of the money, which was paid for your house. A schedule of distribution of the money bid for your house will be filed by the Sheriff no later than thirty days after the Sheriff Sale. This schedule will state who will be receiving the money. The money will be paid out in accordance with this schedule unless exceptions (reasons why the proposed distribution is wrong) are filed with the Sheriff within ten (10) days after the date of filing of said schedule. 11. You may also have other rights and defenses or ways of getting your house back, if you act immediately after the sale. **YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE LISTED BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP.** Lehigh County Lawyer Referral Service, Lehigh County Bar Assn., 1114 Walnut St., Allentown, PA 18102, 610.433.7094. **PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT YOU ARE ADVISED THAT THIS LAW FIRM IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.**
Christopher A. DeNardo, Kristen D. Little, Kevin S. Frankel, Samantha Gabriele, Regina Holloway, Daniel T. Lutz, Leslie J. Rase, Alison H. Tulio & Katherine M. Wolf, Attys. for Plaintiff
SHAPIRO & DeNARDO, LLC
3600 Horizon Dr., Ste. 150
King of Prussia, PA 19406
610.278.6800
Jan. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of Marilyn H. Smith, deceased, late of Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to **Donna L. Wirth, Executor**, 159 Boro Vu Drive, Northampton PA 18067.
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

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c/o Emily A. Zettlemoyer
53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049
or to her attorney:
Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esq.
53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049
Jan. 11, 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
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c/o Emily A. Zettlemoyer
53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049
or to her attorney:
Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esq.
53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049
Jan. 11, 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of Allan F. Witzell a/k/a Allan Witzell, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **Douglas P. Witzell**
c/o Emily A. Zettlemoyer
53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049
or to his attorney:
Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esq.
53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of Elizabeth May Heilman a/k/a Elizabeth M. Heilman, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **Jane Ann Heilman a/k/a Jane Ann Corriveau**
c/o Emily A. Zettlemoyer
53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049
or to her attorney:
Emily A. Zettlemoyer, Esq.
53 North Third Street, Emmaus, PA 18049
Jan. 11, 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of ALICE NONNEMACHER also known as ALICE S. NONNEMACHER, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the person(s) named below, who request(s) all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **Executor: SCOTT A. NONNEMACHER**
c/o James R. Wishchuk, JD
2310 Walbert Avenue, Suite 103
Allentown, PA 18104-1360
or to his Attorney: James R. Wishchuk, JD
2310 Walbert Ave., Suite 103
Allentown, PA 18104-1360
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of CATHERINE E. LODER also known as CATHERINE E. COSGROVE also known as CATHERINE LODER, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the person(s) named below, who request(s) all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to: **Executor: THERESA M. LODER also known as THERESA MARY LODER**
c/o James R. Wishchuk, JD
2310 Walbert Avenue, Suite 103
Allentown, PA 18104-1360
or to her Attorney: James R. Wishchuk, JD
2310 Walbert Ave., Suite 103
Allentown, PA 18104-1360
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
COND #2016-17C
The Board of Supervisors of East Allen Township will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the Township Building, 5344 Nor-Bath Blvd., Northampton, PA 18067 to consider the following application:
The appellant, Toll Brothers Inc., requests a conditional use approval to allow for an Age Qualified Residential Community to be developed on the subject property.
The property is located at 6997 Beth-Bath Pike, Bath, PA 18014, in East Allen Township, Part of Tax Parcel #L6-15-11, Part of Tax Parcel #L6-15-8A and Tax Parcel #L6-15-8, located on the West Side of Beth-Bath Pike Between Steuben Road and Jandl Boulevard in the Agricultural/Rural Residential (A/R/R) and Age Qualified Residential Community (AQR) Overlay Zoning Districts.
Any interested party is welcome to attend and will have an opportunity to be heard.
Shawn Leidy
East Allen Township
Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer
Jan. 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
EAST ALLEN TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC NOTICE - PROPOSED ORDINANCE
NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of East Allen Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, will meet on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at 7:00 PM at the East Allen Township Municipal Building at 5344 Nor-Bath Boulevard, Northampton, PA, for the purpose of conducting a public meeting and voting on the possible enactment of the proposed ordinance as follows:
An Ordinance Amending the East Allen Township Zoning Ordinance by Amending The Zoning Map to Designate +/- 100.5 Acres of a Certain Tract of Land Identified as Northampton County Tax Parcel Number L6-15-8 (6997 Beth-Bath Pike), Part of Parcel Number L6-15-11 and Part of Parcel Number L6-15-8A, Located on the West Side of Beth-Bath Pike Between Steuben Road and Jandl Boulevard, as an Age Qualified Residential Community Overlay District.
The full text of the proposed ordinance may be examined, and a copy obtained, at the East Allen Township Municipal Building at 5344 Nor-Bath Boulevard, Northampton, PA during regular business hours 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM Mon - Fri. A copy has also been supplied to the newspaper publishing this public notice.
Deborah A. Seiple
Township Manager
East Allen Township
Jan. 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that the Fountain Hill Borough Council will hold a Public Works and Finance Committee Meeting on January 27, 2017 starting at 11:00am in Borough Hall, 941 Long Street, for the purpose of discussing renovations to the Public Works Garage, and such other business that Council may wish to address.
Bethany Sebesta
Assistant to the Executive Administrator
Jan. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of MIRIAM U. RITTER, a/k/a MIRIAM E. RITTER, deceased, late of South Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payment without delay to:
Executor: **ROBERT V. RITTER, JR.**
1600 W. HAMILTON ST.
ALLENTOWN, PA 18102
Estate attorney: **ROBERT V. RITTER, JR. ESQ.**
Ritter & Bried, P.C.
1600 W. Hamilton Street
Allentown, PA 18102-4287
(610) 433-6011
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of BETTY J. STERNER a/k/a BETTY J. ANDERSON, deceased, late of Bethlehem., Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payment without delay to:
Executor: **JUDITH A. CURRAN**
c/o ROBERT V. RITTER, JR.
RITTER & BRIED, P.C.
1600 W. HAMILTON ST.
ALLENTOWN, PA 18102
Or her attorney: **ROBERT V. RITTER, JR. ESQ.**
Ritter & Bried, P.C.
1600 W. Hamilton Street
Allentown, PA 18102-4287
(610) 433-6011
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of JOAN A. LEWIS a/k/a JOAN ALICE LEWIS a/k/a JOAN A. DREIBELBIS, deceased, late of Whitehall Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administration C.T.A. have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payment without delay to:
Administrator: **DALE W. DREIBELBIS**
c/o ROBERT V. RITTER, JR.
RITTER & BRIED, P.C.
1600 W. HAMILTON ST.
ALLENTOWN, PA 18102-4287
Or his attorney: **ROBERT V. RITTER, JR. ESQ.**
Ritter & Bried, P.C.
1600 W. Hamilton Street
Allentown, PA 18102-4287
(610) 433-6011
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of MARGUERITE L. INFANTI a/k/a MARGUERITE INFANTI, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payment without delay to:
Executor: **PATRICIA L. GOLLEY**
c/o Robert V. Ritter, Jr. Esq.
Ritter & Bried, P.C.
1600 W. Hamilton St.
Allentown, PA 18102-4287
Or her attorney: **ROBERT V. RITTER, JR. ESQ.**
Ritter & Bried, P.C.
1600 W. Hamilton Street
Allentown, PA 18102-4287
(610) 433-6011
Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that, in the **Estate of Harriet A. Pohl, also known as Harriet Althea Pohl**, deceased, late of Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, the Register of Wills has granted Letters Testamentary to the persons named below. All persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent are requested to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Steven M. Pohl
c/o Zator Law
4400 Walbert Avenue
Allentown, PA 18104
or his attorney: Christopher M. McLean, Esquire
Zator Law
4400 Walbert Avenue
Allentown, PA 18104
Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that, in the **Estate of James E. Blewitt, Jr.**, deceased, late of Heidelberg Township, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, the Register of Wills has granted Letters Testamentary to the persons named below. All persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent are requested to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
James E. Blewitt, Sr.
c/o Zator Law
4400 Walbert Avenue
Allentown, PA 18104
or his attorney: Christopher M. McLean, Esquire
Zator Law
4400 Walbert Avenue
Allentown, PA 18104
Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of Lewis L. Miller, late of Whitehall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Donald Miller
c/o R. Nicholas Nanovic, Esquire
Norris, McLaughlin & Marcus, P.A.
515 W. Hamilton St., Suite 502
Allentown, PA 18101
or to his attorney:
R. Nicholas Nanovic, Esquire
Norris, McLaughlin & Marcus, P.A.
515 W. Hamilton St., Suite 502
Allentown, PA 18101
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE NOTICE
Estate of Lorraine A. Fenstermacher, a/k/a Lorraine Ann Fenstermacher, late of Whitehall Township, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests that all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Denise L. Anderson, Liane L. Sinkovits and Donna Bastian, f/n/a, Donna M. Kollar
c/o Judith A. Harris, Esquire
Norris, McLaughlin & Marcus, P.A.
515 W. Hamilton St., Suite 502
Allentown, PA 18101
or to their attorney:
Judith A. Harris, Esquire
Norris, McLaughlin & Marcus, P.A.
515 W. Hamilton St., Suite 502
Allentown, PA 18101
Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of Anna Mae Fridrici, late of Macungie, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who request all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to Mark S. Fridrici, c/o The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102 or his Attorney, Robert B. Roth, Esquire, The Roth Law Firm, 123 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA 18102.
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on January 9th, 2017, the Petition of Mitchell D. Friedman, CP-39- MD-0000049-2017 was filed with the Clerk of Courts of Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, praying a decree be made granting him a private detective license to carry on private detective business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania under the Private Detective Act of 1953. A hearing on said Petition will be held on February 13th, 2017, at 9:30 a.m., Lehigh County Courthouse, 455 West Hamilton Street, Courtroom 2C, Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, before Judge James T. Anthony, at which time and place all interested or concerned persons may appear and show cause, if any there may be, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.
Jan. 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
Lehigh Tax Collection Committee
Public Meeting
Pursuant to the Pennsylvania Sunshine Law, notice is served that the Lehigh Tax Collection Committee will meet on February 23, 2017 at 8:30 am in the South Whitehall Township Public Meeting Room, 4444 Walbert Avenue, Allentown, PA 18104 on February 23, 2017. The public is invited to attend and be heard.
Jan. 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Township of Whitehall is soliciting Sealed Proposals for:
RFP No. 17-02 "Draft Pollutant Reduction Plan". Proposals will be accepted and opened on or before, Monday, February 20, 2017, 3:00 p.m. Proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, 3219 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, PA 18052.
A Pre-Proposal meeting will be held at the Whitehall Township Municipal Building, on Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. Attendance is highly recommended.
Bid documents can be obtained at the Municipal Building or call 610-437-5524. They are also available online: www.whitehalltownship.org under administration, then purchasing tab.
MARY ANN MILLER, CPPO
Purchasing Agent
Jan. 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of DIANE L. PERRY, a/k/a DIANE LEVY PERRY, deceased, late of Emmaus, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
David M. Perry, Executor
c/o YOUNG & YOUNG
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
119 E. Main Street
Macungie, PA 18062
Or to his Attorney: YOUNG & YOUNG
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
119 E. Main Street
Macungie, PA 18062
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of GEORGE HOFFMAN deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Alan S. Hoffman, Executor
c/o YOUNG & YOUNG
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
119 E. Main Street
Macungie, PA 18062
Or to his Attorney YOUNG & YOUNG
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
119 E. Main Street
Macungie, PA 18062
Jan. 11, 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
Estate of SHIRLEY M. KRAMER, deceased, late of Alburts, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Sherry Oels, Executrix
c/o YOUNG & YOUNG
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
119 E. Main Street
Macungie, PA 18062
Or to her Attorney: YOUNG & YOUNG
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
119 E. Main Street
Macungie, PA 18062
Jan. 11, 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE
ESTATE of CHARLOTTE M. MARKOVITS, a/k/a CHARLOTTE MARTHA MARKOVITS, a/k/a CHARLOTTE MARKOVITS, deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary have been granted to the undersigned, who requests all persons having claims or demands against the Estate of the Decedent to make know the same, and all persons indebted to the Decedent to make payments without delay to:
Francine B. Koch, Executrix
c/o YOUNG & YOUNG
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
119 E. Main Street
Macungie, PA 18062
Or to her Attorney: YOUNG & YOUNG
Rebecca M. Young, Esq.
Lia K. Snyder, Esq.
119 E. Main Street
Macungie, PA 18062
Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

Place your ad here
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THE CLASSIFIEDS
1-800-443-0377
Kim - Ext. 3173 • Donno - Ext. 3109

**PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, February 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Salisbury Township Municipal Building located at 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown, PA, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Salisbury will hold a public hearing and act on the following:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1, PART 6(A) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES (RELATING TO POLICE PENSION PLAN) TO COMPLY WITH THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE SALISBURY TOWNSHIP POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, INCLUDING A REVISION OF THE DEFINITION OF THE TERM "COMPENSATION" TO NOT INCLUDE ANY PAYMENTS MADE FOR THE WAIVER OF HEALTH/MEDICAL COVERAGE.

A copy of the full text of the proposed ordinance may be examined at the Salisbury Township Municipal Building, 2900 South Pike Avenue, Allentown, PA during normal business hours from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Cathy Bonaskiewicz, Acting Township Manager/Assistant Secretary
Jan. 25

**NORTH CAROLINA
CLEVELAND COUNTY**

**RICKEY and MIERA WATKINS
PLAINTIFFS,**

**SUSAN MINARDO,
DEFENDANT,**

To: Susan Minardo, Defendant
Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above titled action. The nature of relief being sought is as follows: Plaintiff is seeking judgment of custody.

You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than the 6th day of March, 2017, which is 40 days from the first publication of this notice. Upon your failure to file a pleading by the above date, party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This the 25th day of January, 2017.
Paul J. Ditz, Attorney at Law, Plaintiff's Attorney, 111 N. Lafayette St., Shelby, NC 28150
Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

**PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
DISTRICT COURT DIVISION
17 CVD**

390 HELP WANTED

**ATTORNEY -
SCHOOL LAW
Bethlehem PA,
Cherry Hill, NJ -
Phillipsburg, NJ
Rochelle Park, NJ**

**Florio Perrucci
Steinhardt & Fader,
L.L.C. seeks a firm-
wide experienced
School Law
Associate for its
Education Law
Group.**

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• Two to five (2-5)
Years School Law
Experience
• Must be admitted in
NJ; licensing in PA and
/or NY is a plus
• Must have New
Jersey Education Law
work experience in the
area(s) of General
Counsel, Special
Education, Labor and
Employment,
Construction, Public
Schools Contract Law,
etc.

• Must be familiar with
New Jersey Statutes
Title 18A; New Jersey
Administrative Code
Section 6 & 6A; New
Jersey Open Public
Meetings Act and
Open Public Records
Act; Commissioner of
Education and School
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resume and a sample
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sit-down Forklift expe-
rience. Contact Arlyce
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4161 ext 33.

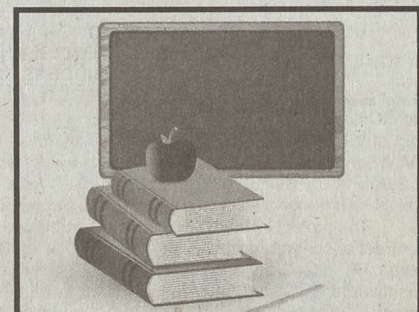
390 HELP WANTED

Drivers-CO & O/P's.
Earn Great Money
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Weekly. Monthly Bo-
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Guaranteed. CDL-A, 1
yr. EXP. 877-758-3905

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12-15 hours per week; must be avail-
able every weekend. Saturday evenings
and Sunday mornings, also other times
during the week as scheduled. Position in-
cludes seasonal outdoor responsibilities:
mowing lawn and shoveling snow,
picking up litter, opening and closing the
church before and after services, and
preparing church for worship services.
St. John's Lutheran Church
375 Fifth St., Allentown
610-435-1587



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Excellent Opportunity Available!*
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Candidates must have a conferred
Bachelor's Degree to apply.
Additional details and
application materials are available at
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Date: 02/17/2017

PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE OF HELEN H. BLOSZINSKY, a/k/a
HELEN BLOSZINSKY**, deceased, late of White-
hall, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania. Letters Tes-
tamentary have been granted to the undersigned,
who requests all persons having claims or de-
mands against the estate of the decedent to
make known the same, and all persons indebted
to the decedent to make payments without delay
to:

Robert H. Eisenhauer, Executor
c/o John O. Stover, Jr., Esquire
537 Chestnut Street
Emmaus, PA 18049

Or to his attorney: John O. Stover, Jr., Esquire
537 Chestnut Street
Emmaus, PA 18049
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE OF RUTH E. ROBERTS aka RUTH
ROBERTS** deceased, late of Allentown, Lehigh
County, Pennsylvania. Letters Testamentary
have been granted to the undersigned, who re-
quests all persons having claims or demands
against the Estate of the Decedent to make
known the same, and all persons indebted to
the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

**Randy S. Roberts
aka Randy Scott Roberts, Executor**
c/o Michael Ira Stump, Esquire
207 E. Main Street, Suite 100
Macungie, PA 18062

or to his Attorney Michael Ira Stump, Esquire
207 E. Main Street, Ste.100
Macungie, PA 18062
Jan. 11, 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE

BIDS WANTED

Sealed electronic bids will be received by the
Lehigh County Schools Joint Purchasing Board,
until 2:00 p.m., February 14, 2017, for the follow-
ing:

Science Supplies

All bids will be exclusively received and pro-
cessed through the Eschoolmail easyBid applica-
tion process at www.eSchoolmail.com; the failure
to follow this process (no paper submissions
will be considered) will disqualify the bid submis-
sion. Bid instructions and specifications can be
obtained from Andrew Barnett at 610-769-4111,
ext. 1682 or barnetta@cliu.org. Bids will be open
ed at 2:00 p.m. on February 14, 2017.
Patricia T. Bader LCSJ/PB Board Chairperson
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE OF Romaine E. Remaley a/k/a
Romaine E.E. Remaley**, deceased, late of
7765 Penn Street, Emerald, PA.

All persons having claims or demands
against the said estate are requested to make
known the same, and all persons indebted to
said estate are requested to make payment,
without delay, to the executor or his attorney
named below:

Dean Remaley
c/o Feldman Law Offices, P.C.
221 N. Cedar Crest Blvd.
Allentown, PA 18104

Attorney: **SAMUEL F. FELDMAN, Esquire**
Feldman Law Offices, P.C.,
221 N. Cedar Crest Blvd.
Allentown, PA 18104

Jan. 11, 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in the
Estate of **JOHN R. STEFANIK, a/k/a JOHN R.
STEFANIK, SR.**, of Allentown, Lehigh County,
Pennsylvania, the Register of Wills has granted
Letters Testamentary to the undersigned, who
request all persons having claims or demands
against the Estate of the Decedent to make
known the same, and all persons indebted to
the Decedent to make payments without delay to:

John R. Stefanik, Jr.
2138 Front Royal Court
Atlanta, GA 30338

Or to his attorney:
Curtis C. Creveling, Esq.
CREVELING, CREVELING & CAPPELLINI
123 North Fifth Street
Allentown, PA 18102
610-435-8711
Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, in the estate of
the decedent set forth below, the Register of Wills
has granted letters testamentary to the person(s)
named. All persons having claims or demands
against said estate are requested to make
known the same and all persons indebted to said
estate are requested to make payment without
delay, to the executors or administrators or their
attorney named below:

**MAXWELL, WILSON G. a/k/a WILSON
GREGORY MAXWELL, dec'd.**

Late of the City of Bethlehem, County of North-
ampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
**Executor: Shauna M. Maxwell, c/o Karl F.
Longenbach, Esquire, 425 West Broad St., P.O.
Box 1920, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, 18016
1920.**

Attorney: **Karl F. Longenbach, Esquire, 425
West Broad St., P.O. Box 1920, Bethlehem,
Pennsylvania, 18016 1920 (610) 867 8150.**
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF HANOVER
TOWNSHIP, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA,
WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING
ON TUESDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2017, AT 7:00
P.M. PREVAILING TIME AT THE TOWNSHIP
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 3630 JACKSONVILLE
ROAD, BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA, 18017,
FOR THE PURPOSE OF HEARING THE AP-
PEAL OF PENNAC PROPERTIES FOR 1640,
1650, 1660 VALLEY CENTER PKY LP, FOR
LEHIGH VALLEY ACADEMY, 1640 VALLEY
CENTER PARKWAY, SUITE 180, BETHLE-
HEM, PA 18018, WHO IS SEEKING A CONDI-
TIONAL USE PERMIT PURSUANT TO SEC-
TION 185-54(E)(15). THE APPELLANT IS
SEEKING RELIEF TO ALLOW LEHIGH VALLEY
ACADEMY, A PRIVATE SCHOOL TO EXPAND
IN THE P.O.R.R. ZONING DISTRICT WHICH IS
PERMITTED AS CONDITIONAL USE WITH AP-
PROVAL BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
THE PROPERTIES WHICH APPELLANT IS
SEEKING TO DEVELOP IS LOCATED AT 1550,
1560, 1640 AND 1650 VALLEY CENTER PARK-
WAY, BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA, 18017
AND CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 21.02
ACRES OR APPROXIMATELY 915,6315
SQUARE FEET.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES MAY ATTEND
THE HEARING AND THEY SHALL BE HEARD.
YVONNE D.KUTZ
ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
HANOVER TOWNSHIP
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY
PENNSYLVANIA
Jan. 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE - Estate of RUFUS BOYNTON,
deceased, late of the City of Allentown, Lehigh
County, Pennsylvania. Letters of Administra-
tion have been granted to the undersigned,
who requests all persons having claims or de-
mands against the Estate of the Decedent to
make known the same, and all persons indebted
to the Decedent to make payments without delay
to: John R. Boynton, Administrator, c/o Samuel
R. Kasick, Esquire, 523 West Linden Street, Al-
lentown, Pennsylvania 18101. Attorney: Samuel
R. Kasick, Esquire, 523 West Linden Street, Al-
lentown, PA 18101.

Jan. 11, 18, 25

PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE OF ROBERT J. HAHN a/k/a ROBERT
JAMES HAHN**, Deceased, late of the North
Whitehall Township, County of Lehigh, and Com-
monwealth of Pennsylvania.

Letters of Administration have been granted to
Carla M. Rossi, who requests all persons hav-
ing claims or demands against the Estate of the
Decedent to make known the same, and all per-
sons indebted to the Decedent to make pay-
ments without delay to: Carla M. Rossi, Adminis-
trator, c/o 7535 Windsor Drive, Suite 200, Allen-
town, PA 18195; or Edward H. Butz, Esquire,
Lesavoy, Butz & Seitz, LLC, 7535 Windsor Drive,
Suite 200, Allentown, PA 18195.

Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of JACQUELINE PARFITT, late of
the Township of Bethlehem, County of North-
ampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Tes-
tamentary on the above named estate have
been granted to the undersigned. All persons in-
debted to the said estate are requested to make
immediate payment, and those having claims or
demands to present the same without delay to:

THEODORE PARFITT, JR., Executor
c/o WILLIAM P. LEESON, ESQUIRE
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Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF FREDDA S. FISCHMAN, late of
Allentown, County of Lehigh, Commonwealth of
Pennsylvania.

Letters Testamentary have been granted to the
undersigned, who requests all persons having
claims or demands against the Estate of the De-
cedent to make known the same, and all per-
sons indebted to the Decedent to make pay-
ments without delay to Timothy John Duckworth,
a/k/a Timothy J. Duckworth, Esquire, Executor,
c/o P.O. Box 20770, Lehigh Valley, PA 18002-
0770; or Timothy J. Duckworth, Esquire,
Mosebach, Funt, Dayton & Duckworth, P.C., P.O.
Box 20770, Lehigh Valley, PA 18002-0770.

Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Finan-
cial Statement of **Northwestern Lehigh School
District** for the auditors for the Fiscal Year
Ended June 30, 2016, was filed on January 4,
2017, in the office of the Prothonotary, Lehigh
County Courthouse, Clerk of Judicial Court, Civil
Department, 455 W. Hamilton Street, Allentown,
PA 18101-1614, and will be confirmed absolutely
unless an appeal is taken therefrom within thirty
(30) days after the filing thereof. The report is
available for public inspection at the business of-
fice of the School District during normal business
hours.

Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF RONALD M. ECKERT, Decedent,
late Allentown, Lehigh County, Pennsylvania.
Letters of Administration have been granted to
the undersigned, who requests that all persons
having claims or demands against the Estate of
the Decedent make known the same, and all
persons indebted to said Decedent are request-
ed to make payment in full, without delay, to:
Administratrix: **Madeline Eckert**
c/o Jon A. Swartz, Esquire
7736 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051

Attorney: **Jon A. Swartz, Esquire**
7736 Main Street, Fogelsville, PA 18051
Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE

ESTATE OF GORDON R. MOYER, deceased,
late of Allentown, Lehigh County, PA. Letters of
Administration have been granted to the un-
dersigned, who requests all persons having claims
or demands against the estate of the decedent
to make known the same, and all persons in-
debted to the decedent to make payments with-
out delay to:

JOAN KATHLEEN MOYER
c/o STECKEL AND STOPP
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Administratrix, or to their Attorney, **Steckel and
Stopp, By: Charles A. Waters, Esquire, at 125 S.
Walnut Street, Suite 210, Slatington, PA 18080.**
Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8

PUBLIC NOTICE

INVITATION TO BID

Lower Macungie Township will receive sealed
bids for: **Crack Seal and Poly Coat (For 2017-
2020) and Pavement Equipment Rental (For
2017-2020).**

Sealed bids will be received until 3PM (prevailing
time) on February 17, 2017 at the Lower
Macungie Township Municipal Building, 3400
Brookside Road, Macungie, PA 18062, at which
time they will be opened and read aloud. Any
bids received after 3PM will be returned unop-
ened. All bids should be sealed, marked and ad-
dressed: **LOWER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP,
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18062 "Sealed Bid"** and include the contract
number/description. Each bid must be accom-
panied by bid security made payable to Lower
Macungie Township in the amount of ten percent
(10%) of the bid price for the annual contract
amount. Individual bid forms are available at
Lower Macungie Township, 3400 Brookside
Road, Macungie, PA for a non-refundable fee of
\$10.00 each. The successful bidder will be re-
quired to provide contract security in the amount
of 100% of the contract within 10 days of the
award of contract. All bids shall be valid for 60
days. Lower Macungie Township reserves the
right to waive any informalities, or make minor
changes in the bids and/or to reject any or all bids.

Mandatory Pre-Bid Meetings to be held starting
at 9:00 AM on February 10, 2017 at Lower
Macungie Township, 3400 Brookside Rd.
Macungie, PA 18062
Renea Flexer, Township Secretary
Jan. 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

Estate of James A. Lohr, Deceased. Late of
Albany Twp., Berks County, PA. D.O.D. 10/28/16.
Letters Testamentary on the above Estate have
been granted to the undersigned, who request
all persons having claims or demands against
the estate of the decedent to make known the
same and all persons indebted to the decedent
to make payment without delay to Daniel E.
Lohr, Executor, 134 Country Hill Rd., Lewisburg,
PA 17837. Or to his Atty.: Christopher R. Gray,
Myers, Brier & Kelly, LLP, 425 Spruce St., Ste.
200, Scranton, PA 18503.
Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1

PUBLIC NOTICE

**ESTATE OF DENNIS D. KLINGAMAN a/k/a
D.D. KLINGAMAN a/k/a DENNIS KLINGAMAN**,
Deceased, late of 5356 Vera Cruz Road, Em-
maus, Lehigh County, PA 18049.

Letters Administration have been granted to
the undersigned, who requests all persons hav-
ing claims or demands against the Estate of the
Decedent to make known the same, and all per-
sons indebted to the Decedent to make pay-
ments without delay to:

**Personal Representative of the
Estate of Dennis D. Klingaman
a/k/a D.D. Klingaman a/k/a
DennisKlingaman, Deceased:**

George F. Klingaman
c/o James A Ritter, Esquire
Gross McGinley, LLP
111 E. Harrison St., Suite 2
Emmaus, PA 18049-2916

or to his Attorney: **James A. Ritter, Esquire**
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FLORIO PERRUCCI STEINHARDT & FADER, L.L.C. seeks a full-time trustworthy and dependable professional for its Phillipsburg, NJ office. Must possess a minimum of 3 years' experience as a certified Paralegal supporting attorneys in varied practice areas. A strong Litigation support background is required. Experience in Land Use and Municipal Law support is preferred. Salary is commensurate with experience. Excellent fringe benefits package: health-dental-vision benefits, paid life and disability insurance coverage, 401(k) Plan, paid holidays, vacation and absence time, 35-hour work week. **Candidate must have experience:**

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- Superior written and verbal communication skills
- Exceptional critical thinking skills
- Ability to apply problem-solving techniques
- Outstanding organizational skills
- Meticulous file maintenance skills
- A highly skilled ability to multi-task
- Very strong attention to detail
- Self-motivation, yet be a team player when needed
- Quality to respect matters of a confidential nature
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