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SIGNS OF SPRING: Though at first glance most of the scenery on a recent walk along the Lehigh Gorge trail looked gray, subtle signs of spring were everywhere, in the red shoots of bushes and the splashes of green along the river banks. Spring officially starts this Sunday, March 20 (the Vernal Equinox). Combined with recent warm temperatures, the increasing hours of daylight should soon have the area blooming.

JH: Stephanie Grega

Weatherly plans 2016 paving

by Donnell Stump

The Weatherly Borough paving program for 2016 should include Packer Street, council learned at its February 15 meeting. Borough manager Harold Pudliner said the main reason for the selection of this street is that as sections are being patched, the pavement around the patch is crumbling away. The area to be done is from Third Street to Seventh Street and the scope of the project will include milling and paving. Future projects will include Evergreen and Sixth Street, but the cost of those is likely to exceed \$100,000 each.

Council opened and rejected the sole bid on the Electric Department's Dodge truck chassis from Corey Gerhart in the amount of \$250.02. While the equipment is not worth a lot, Pudliner suggested rejecting the bid since he believes it is worth more than that. On a motion by Joe Cyburt with a second from Harold Farrow, council unanimously rejected the bid and agreed to re-bid the equipment in April.

Pudliner suggested that Council considered allowing payments for utility bills via credit or debit card. When this option was offered in the past

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Editorial

The recycling riddle

by Ruth Isenberg

We may have gotten too good at recycling. Recycling is popular. Especially with single-stream recycling, it's an easy way for people to feel good about doing their part to reduce the waste stream and keep paper, glass and plastic out of landfills.

That part is working. Tons of material are being collected taken to recycling centers. The problem is, we don't have enough places to send the material after that. Some places, like Penn Forest Township, don't even accept glass any more at their recycling centers, because they have no way to get rid of it.

The situation is even worse when it comes to electronics recycling. Pennsylvania passed laws designed to keep electronics out of the waste stream because of concerns about heavy metals and the effects they could have on the environment as they break down. At the time, there was a market for those materials despite the cost of extracting them from the electronics components. The law of unintended consequences kicked in. People couldn't put their electronics out with the trash. Special electronics collections were set up, with companies taking the material and reselling the metals they extracted. As their costs rose, and their markets shrank because of over-supply, the companies began charging to take items like televisions and computer monitors. As the supply increased, the difficulty in disposing of the items did too, and charges were raised.

The result? As recycling becomes more expensive, people are opting to either hold on to their old TVs and computers, or worse, dumping them in the woods and abandoned mine areas.

There's no simple solution. More uses for recycled materials would help, but the average citizen can't do much about that except buy recycled products when possible. Combined community efforts like the recycling events planned this spring in multi-municipalities help hold costs down, and should be supported. But ultimately, it's up to the legislature working with the environmental protection agency to figure out how to make recycling work at an affordable price.

From the Archives

From *The Weatherly Herald*, March 18, 1965

The Weatherly Area Schools' supervising principal Dr. Roy Haring will be resigning this coming June. He has served since 1963. Elementary teacher Michael Kulick of Weatherly was hired for an annual salary of \$4,800. He started his duties on Monday. The Weatherly Borough School Board voted unanimously to accept the offer of \$1,500 from Weatherly Manufacturing Co. to buy the Third Ward School building.

Miss Linda Potter of Weatherly has been selected by Rotary International to be an exchange student to Denmark. She will represent the Weatherly Rotary Club, leaving July 29, returning in August of next year.

Lou Colombo's Wyoming Garage in Hazleton offers the 1965 Toyota 1900.

"Join the fun Saturday Night at Hootenanny. Music by Frank Murman and Faith... at the Surf Club in Freeland."

From *The Journal-Herald* March 19, 1987

State Senator Ray Musto's office informed White Haven Borough that PennDOT is looking to restrict traffic over the aging bridge across Route 940. PennDOT plans to place height barriers, and bar overweight and oversize trucks.

White Haven's trash collector, Ray Hildebrand, will stop twice a week collections, and not conduct a cleanup day in May, due to increased distance and dumping fees. The contract is up in June.

White Haven Council voted to return the former White

Haven Elementary School to Crestwood School District "as unusable by the borough" on a split vote. Housing for the elderly was considered. Use as a medical office facility was considered. No one has come forward. Borough solicitor Whitey Maier raised the question that the borough may not be able to return the property to the district. From the audience, council was asked if the building could be used as a youth or community center, or a library. Council president John Topito said the borough cannot afford such a project.

Col. John K. Schafer was unanimously confirmed as State Police Commissioner last week. Schafer, a Weatherly native, is a graduate of the Weatherly Area High School. He is married to the former Ann Murray. John and Ann now reside in Lehigh County. They have a son and a daughter.

John Halechko of Lausanne Township asked for White Haven Council's support against the proposed landfill on Buck Mountain in Foster Township. A meeting will be held at Weatherly Area Elementary/Middle School on March 26.

Dr. Joseph Toole announced the opening of his podiatry practice in the office of Dr. Henry Smith on Towanda Street.

There is a free glaucoma screening on Tuesday, March 24, at Family Eye Care, in the Post Office Building in White Haven.

The Weatherly Park Commission decided to try roller skating at the Eurana Park pavilion on specific dates in

March and April. If there is sufficient interest, other dates will be added. Children must bring their own skates, which must be equipped with plastic wheels. The Park Commission will again sponsor a carnival over Labor Day weekend for five days, featuring rides and entertainment.

An ad here promotes the coming White Haven Festival on May 30 & 31.

An ad promotes Gumb's Caterers — call Edison or Claire...

Thomas Mulhearn wants to give a 1975 truck to White Haven borough for snow plowing and other borough uses. Council did not act.

"Back to the Mountaintop," a musical variety program, will be presented by the Crestwood High School Band Parents Association, on March 22 for two shows. The program, featuring a mixed chorus of 50 members, will perform show tunes, light country and rock 'n roll, spiritual songs and original numbers. It will feature singers Sally Williams and Louise Cherry, a mixed gospel quartet and a men's barbershop quartet. Local professional musicians including Bob Spence, Bill Pendziwaitr, Joe Acri and Ernie Malik will perform a jazz segment. The Crestwood High School Jazz Ensemble and a newly formed rock group will also perform. Tickets are \$3 for adults, \$1 for children.

From *The Journal* March 9, 1967

Plans for the White Haven Little League sponsored Easter Egg hunt are set. The event is Saturday, March 25 in Lehigh Park, with registration at 2, and the hunt at 2:30. All donations of hard boiled eggs will be deeply appreciated.

Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

The White Haven Planning Commission will meet Monday, March 21 at 7 p.m. at the borough offices. Agenda is to review the plans for new construction on Main Street.

Linda Szoke
Borough Manager

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Letters of Administration have been issued in the **Estate of Jennifer P. Fedorick**, to Estate No. 4016-0293 late of 13 Old Route 940, White Haven, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania who passed away on January 29, 2016 to **Annette Marie Fedorick**, 905 E. Main Street, Weatherly, PA 18255. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims to present the same without delay to:

Daniel A. Miscavige, Esquire
GILLESPIE MISCAVIGE
67 North Church Street
Hazleton, Pennsylvania 18201

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PUBLIC NOTICE

White Haven Borough Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 28, 2016, at 7:00 P.M. at the Municipal Building, 312 Main Street, White Haven, Luzerne County, PA to take public input on an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance prohibiting certain signs. These amendments are available for inspection at the Municipal Building and the *Journal-Herald* Newspaper. The hearing will be followed by the regular meeting of Council at which time the amendments will be considered for adoption.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Letters Testamentary have been granted in the Estate of Pauline Frye, late of Junedale, Carbon County, Pennsylvania, who died on January 31, 2016. All persons indebted to said decedent are requested to make payment and those having claims or demands against the estate are to present the same without delay to Ronald Frye, Executor, c/o Robert J. Gillespie, Jr., Attorney, 67 North Church Street, Hazleton, PA 18201.

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Weatherly...

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not many took advantage, but due to the increasing use of debit cards, Pudliner thinks it may be more popular now. Councilman Norm Richie asked if any fee for using this option would be passed on to the customer, or would the borough absorb the fee as a cost of doing business. Pudliner thought it would likely to be considered a cost of doing business, but as proposals are developed, Council will decide how to handle the fee charged by the processor. While debit and credit cards would be able to be used in person or over the phone, an online bill paying option is not now being considered.

When the 2004 Blazer was damaged in a recent incident, the insurance company did not "total" the vehicle; however, the cost of repairing it seems higher than is practical. Cyburt suggested that if it is not going to be repaired, that the borough look at purchasing another used vehicle.

Electronics Recycling will be held at Eurana Park on June 25 as a joint venture between the Borough and Lehigh, Lausanne and Packer Townships. Tire recycling on the same day will be sponsored by the Weatherly Lions Club. Mayor Tom Connors suggested that clothing recycling be done as well, not just that day, but on an ongoing basis. He asked for permission to have a "shed" erected at Eurana Park to house clothing dona-

tions until pick-up is arranged. Connors suggested that any funds generated be used to offset the cost of recycling (electronics recycling as well as the bins located at Eurana Park) in the borough with excess funds being earmarked for use at Eurana Park.

Unanimous votes were cast to allow the electronics recycling in June as well as to put up a shed for clothing recycling needs.

Ryan Kelly, a Weatherly resident and member of the Boy Scouts, attended the meeting as a requirement for his Citizenship in the Community badge. He asked what is being done to decrease drug and alcohol abuse in the community. Pudliner responded, telling him that the police have been very active working with the Carbon County task force and the Attorney General's office. Mayor Connors added, "We're looking to help, but we are looking to the younger generation to help too."

Richie asked Council to approve the request from the Weatherly Festival Committee to hold the annual Festival at Eurana Park on August 26 and August 27, including a beer stand in the skating rink (with limited access) and a car display at the ballfield.

In addition to Cyburt, Richie, Farrow and Mayor Connors, the meeting was attended by council members Cecilia Gower, and George Miller. The next meeting will be Monday, March 21 at 7 p.m. at the Weatherly Borough building, Wilbur Street. The public is welcome to attend.

WACL story time

Weatherly Area Community Library will host a children's story time on Friday, March 18 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church. Guest reader will be Nick Pleban, an eighth grade student at Weatherly Area Middle School.

WAHS fundraiser pick-up set

The Easter fundraiser for the Weatherly Area High School Class of 2019 will be delivered on Tuesday, March 22. Pick-up will be at the middle school lobby between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. Parents of class members that sold for this fundraiser should pick-up the items during this time. Call one of the class advisors Donnell Stump at 570-579-8801 or Tracy Blackwell at 570-436-4924 with questions.

Join Us For Worship!

Palm Sunday Services

March 20, 10 a.m.

with Blessing of the Palms, and Procession (*weather permitting*)

Reading of the Passion Gospeal
Celebration of Holy Communion

Holy Thursday, 7 p.m.

Foot Washing
Holy Communion

Good Friday, 7 p.m.

Reading of the Passion Gospel
Meditation on the Last Words of Jesus on the Cross
Holy Communion

All people are welcome to receive the body and blood of Jesus

Easter Morning Sunrise Service 7 a.m.

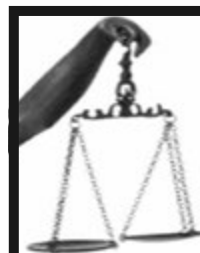
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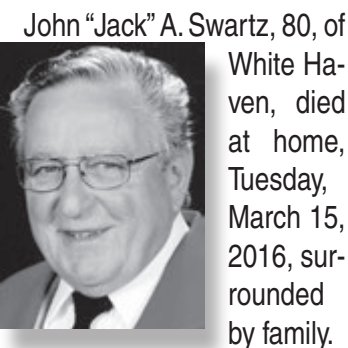
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Death Roll

JOHN "JACK" A. SWARTZ



John "Jack" A. Swartz, 80, of White Haven, died at home, Tuesday, March 15, 2016, surrounded by family.

Born in Philadelphia, he was the son of the late Albert and Marietta Tremper Swartz, served in the United States Marines during the Korean Conflict and Vietnam War, and was the recipient of the National Defense Service Medal and Navy Occupation Medal with European Clasp. Jack owned and operated Swartz's Carpet Workroom in Weatherly and White Haven. He enjoyed fishing in Canada.

Jack was a life member of the Marine Corp League 1039, VFW Post 6615, NRA, a member of Freeland American Legion Post 0473; Jerusalem Lodge #506; Valley of Allentown A.A.S.R; Northern Masonic Lodge 32; and served many years as PA

State Constable.

He was preceded in death by infant son, David Swartz and sister, Marian Rochon.

Jack is survived by his wife, Donna Wheeler Dotter Swartz; stepson, Michael Dotter and his wife, Christine, White Haven; stepdaughter, Kelly Dotter, Freeland; step-grandchildren, Brianna and Nicholas; step-great-grandson, Cameron; daughter and 2 grandchildren.

Funeral service will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 19, from the Lehman Family Funeral Service, Inc. 403 Berwick Street, White Haven with Pastor Lynn Rothrock officiating. Interment with Military Honors will be in Laurel Cemetery, White Haven.

Friends may call Friday, March 18, from 5-8 p.m. at the funeral home and Saturday, from 10:30 until time of service.

Visit the funeral home website for additional information at www.lehmanfuneralhome.com

Marybeth A. Thamarus, 56, of Weatherly died Monday, March 7, 2016 on arrival at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Hazleton, of injuries suffered in an automobile accident.

A daughter of the late Francis and Christine Bilsak, she was born October 20, 1959 in Lehighton.

She was graduate of Jim Thorpe High School, and had worked for Hershey Foods of

MARYBETH THAMARUS

Hazleton for many years. Before that she had worked for I.C.I. in Reynolds, and for the former *Mid-Weeker* newspaper.

Surviving are her husband of 20 years, Anthony S. DeAngelo; daughter and son-in-law Christi (Thamarus) and Michael Montesrin of Lansford; son Edward Thamarus of Freeland; stepdaughter and stepson-in-law Christa and Parker Priest of St. August-

tine, Fla.; two grandchildren and four step-grandchildren; twin sister Andrette Haupt of Jim Thorpe, sisters and brothers-in-law Susan and Brian Bamford of Nesquehoning, Christine and James Fisher of Lattimer; brothers Francis and Thomas Bilsak of Jim Thorpe; nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held Friday from the Griffiths Funeral Home of Tamaqua.

Easter week services at First Presbyterian

Palms will be distributed at the Palm Sunday Worship Service at 11 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, E. Main and Spring Street, Weatherly. Music will be provided by Lynea Reiner. The theme will be "Jesus and The Donkey."

Maundy Thursday service with Holy Communion will be

at 7 p.m. on March 24. All are welcome, and please come as you are. This will be a special service around the table.

Good Friday will be observed at the Waterfall Park at 1 p.m., then proceeding to the Centenary Methodist Church for a closing Prayer Service. Those who do not wish to

walk may go directly to the Methodist Church.

Easter Worship is at 11 a.m. on Sunday, with the Sacrament of Holy Communion. There will be special music.

For more information, call Rev. Glen Hueholt at 570-722-8803 or 239-672-2706.

Salem UCC lists Holy Week events

Students in the Sunday School program at Salem UCC, Weatherly will sing during worship on Palm Sunday, March 20. Students should arrive in their classroom by 9:15 to prepare for the 9:30 a.m. worship service.

There will be Sunday School class on Sunday. There will not be classes on Easter Sunday, March 27.

A Maundy Thursday, Upper Room Service of Communion will be held in the upstairs Sunday School room

at Salem United Church of Christ, First and Fell Streets, Weatherly on Thursday, March 24 beginning at 7 p.m. All are welcome to this service which is held in preparation for Easter.

NOTICE

The Laurel Cemetery Association, White Haven, requests that all lot owners remove their winter decorations now, so that the Cemetery can begin Spring Cleanup.

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Casting Crowns to stop at Kirby Center

Chart-topping Grammy-winning Christian band Casting Crowns will make its F.M. Kirby Center debut on April 29 at 7 p.m. Casting Crowns remains the top-selling act in Christian music since 2007.

Over the past decade, Casting Crowns has garnered 17 GMA Dove Awards, three American Music Awards and two Billboard Music Awards, among others. Most recently, the band was named Art-

ist of the Year exclusively by fans at the 2014 K-LOVE Fan Awards.

Casting Crowns got its start as a youth group worship band originally based in Florida. Today, each of the seven members remain active in student ministry at their respective churches in Atlanta.

Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased at the Kirby Center Box Office, by phone at 570-826-1100, and online at www.kirbycenter.org.



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Hennings to celebrate 50 years of marriage

Richard and Sandra Henning will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary March 19. They were married March 19, 1966 in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, White Haven.

Mrs. Henning is the former Sandra McCluskey, daughter of Georgia McCluskey and the late Howard E. McCluskey, White Haven.

Mr. Henning is the son of the late Harley and Beatrice Henning, White Haven.

They have four children,

Wendy Howton and her husband, Matthew, Mountaintop; Richard T. Henning and his wife, Kathy, Washburn, MO; William Henning and his wife, Jennifer, Danville; and Sarah Berkey and her husband, Joshua, Aston.

They have six grandchildren, Alexandra, Zachary, Brian, Elizabeth, Eli, and Xavier.

Mr. and Mrs. Henning celebrated their anniversary with a dinner hosted by their children.



Veterans Corner by John Kearns

I HATE POLITICS!

My readers, who I thank and appreciate, at times ask me questions about concern our military or veterans, which I try to answer. I will only cover questions that I was asked about directly via e-mail at chiefk@pa.metrocast.net, or by letter to *The Journal-Herald*. Anyone can ask at any time and I research an answer.

I do not endorse or denounces any political candidates in this column.

Here is a Military & Veteran question I was asked: Will candidate Clinton make a good Commander In Chief? (I have no idea about domestic policies concerning jobs, trade or policies covering the other duties of the President so I will stick to Veteran & Military issues.)

Answer: A Commander In Chief must possess four important factors to be a "Good" CIC.

Military and Veterans (1.): Hillary Clinton feels and stated the ongoing VA scandals are nothing of concern and that

everything is going good for the veterans, nothing needs to be fixed. I reported last week how things are going at the VA for veterans and it was not good. Clinton supports and will continue President Obama's policies, diminishing our military by reducing force power—ships, aircraft and weapons. For the personnel, the administration feels pay and benefits are "more than generous as is." Remember in 2011 they wanted to have soldiers wounded in battle pay for their own medical care.

National Security (2.) & National Defense (3.): Candidate Clinton states will she will continue work to "contain ISIS," not destroy ISIS who are brutal butchers. During this holy time before Easter, ISIS members publicly and brutally murdered with edged weapons a 6 year-old Christian boy who as on his knees, praying, pleading and begging for his life. ISIS is committing an increasing genocide of Christians and other non-Muslims. They are not contained. They

are growing as they butcher their way through the area and soon, into Europe. She favors policies that support the terror group Hamas who just this week stabbed another American citizen to death in Israel. She favors the failed nuclear arms deal with Iran that they violate on a daily basis with no consequence.

Candidate Clinton's plan for North Korea remains the same as the current failing policy (as reported by *Politico*: Another North Korean nuclear test serves as a reminder that President Obama is trying to secure his foreign-policy legacy and Hillary Clinton is running on it.) Their mutual failure to contain Pyongyang's and Iran's aggressive nuclear program amounts to one of the administration's biggest failures. making us all more vulnerable. As secretary of state, Clinton oversaw a hands-off approach to North Korea under a policy called "strategic patience."

TRUST (4.): The facts – Last Sunday, she was caught lying about candidate Bernie Sanders concerning health-

care for women. She has publicly called the mother of a veteran killed in Benghazi a liar, even after everyone heard her make the statement to the families and can be seen on video. The Chief Judiciary Counsel at Watergate said this about her first job from which she was fired "Because she was a liar," said in an interview last week. Adding "She was an unethical, dishonest lawyer. She conspired to violate the Constitution, the rules of the House, the rules of the committee and the rules of confidentiality."

Nothing has changed. Because of political ties, her private server crimes are left buried in political smoke. General David Petraeus, a long serving distinguished general, was immediately prosecuted and disgraced for a similar crime.

On Monday she touted to the public that she has many foreign government supporters to help her defeat candidate Donald Trump. These are the same foreign supporters that poured billions of dollars into her private account

(for favors?) as Secretary of State. The same foreign governments that she struck the deal with to sell our uranium deposits. The same governments that she removed from the terror list for personal business reasons while they still commit atrocities. And some of these same supporters became rich off bad trade deals.

MY OPINION:

So, here are the facts added up: Russia, China and countries in the Middle East are doubling their militaries and expanding territories. Iran and North Korea are in a nuclear partnership building long range missiles they boast "To attack Israel AND the United States." All considered, I do not believe she would be a strong leader in National Defense or National Security. Plus she thinks the VA is doing "OK," and that continued military strength should be reduced, and that benefits for active duty "too generous." I do not think she one to trust, based on all this. I do not think she would make a sincere Commander in Chief.

WHITE HAVEN THIS WEEK

Thursday, March 17
Countdown to Spring:

Three Days!
St. Patrick's Day
St. Patrick's Day Dinner — 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. — V.F.W. Post 6615
Crestwood School Board Work Session & Meeting — 6:30 p.m. — Crestwood High School
Kidder Township Board of Supervisors Meeting — 7:00 p.m. — Township Municipal Building

Sunday, March 20
White Haven Children's Easter Egg Hunt — 1:00 p.m. — Lehigh Park
Marine Corps League Detachment 1039 Meeting — 1:30 p.m. — V.F.W. Post 6615
W.H. Area Historical Society Meeting — 6:30 p.m. — For Location
Call 570-443-7507

Monday, March 21
Dennison Township Planning Commission Meeting — 7:00 p.m. — Township Municipal Building

Tuesday, March 22
W.H. Lions Cub Meeting — 7:00 p.m. — Jack's Grille
Penn Lake Planning Commission Meeting — 7:00 p.m. — Community House

Every Thursday & Monday Except Holidays
Joy Through Movement — 10:00 a.m. — W.H. United Methodist Church

Every First & Third Thursday Except Holidays
Scrabble Club — 6:30 p.m. — White Haven Area Community Library
Every Friday Except Fifth Friday & Holidays
W.H. Food Pantry — 10:00 a.m. to Noon — Rear, Hickory Hall, White Haven Center

Every Friday, Monday & Wednesday Except Holidays
Free Community Lunch — Serving 11:30 a.m. to Noon — St. Paul's Lutheran Parish Hall

Every Saturday
Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting — 7:00 p.m. — St. Patrick's Parish Center

Every Sunday
Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting — 7:00 p.m. — Mountainview Community Church

Every Tuesday
Al-Anon Meeting — 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. — Presbyterian Church of W.H.

Every Third Tuesday Except Holidays
Book Club — 7:00 p.m. — White Haven Area Community Library

Every Wednesday Except Holidays
Stretch & More — 10:00 a.m. — St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Graduates from basic infantry training

U.S. Army Pfc. Katelyn L. Pierce has graduated from basic infantry training at Fort Jackson, S.C.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and

unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

Pierce is the daughter of Cindy Pierce-Orloski, granddaughter of Donald Pierce, and niece of Ronald Pierce, all of White Haven.

She graduated in 2013 from Crestwood High School, and earned an associate degree in 2015 from Johnson College.

Lehigh-Carbon CC main campus hosts job fair

Lehigh Carbon Community College will host a Spring Job Fair from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on April 7, in The Lisa Scheller and Wayne Woodman Community Services Center (CSC) at the college's main campus in Schnecksville.

LCCC students and alumni are encouraged to attend. The public is also invited. Please bring resumes and wear professional attire as local and regional employers will be available to discuss

full-time, part-time, seasonal, and internship opportunities.

Employers may register through the LCCC Cougar Claw at <https://lccc-csm.symlicity.com/employers>.

This event is free. For more information, contact the Career Development Center at 610-799-1090 or cmoyer@lccc.edu.

L-CCC hosts FAFSA completion nights

Lehigh Carbon Community College has scheduled its FAFSA Completion Nights at several campus locations. Current and future applicants for fall 2016 enrollment at L-CCC are encouraged to attend a free work session with L-CCC Financial Aid staff members who will guide applicants through the FAFSA form completion and submission process.

FAFSA is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid and is a critical component for students applying for financial aid. Nearly all finan-

cial aid programs at L-CCC require the FAFSA to be completed before financial assistance eligibility can be determined.

Each session runs about an hour. Students and parents can find more information and see the list of required documents online at <http://www.lccc.edu/students/current/financial-aid/fafsa-web-assistance>.

L-CCC Main Campus, Schnecksville: March 22 - 5:30 to 7 p.m. - Technology Center 211; April 26 - 5:30 to 7 p.m. - Technology Center 201.

L-CCC Allentown Campus (Donley): March 23- 5:30 to 7 p.m. - Room 209; April 25 - 5:30 to 7 p.m. - Room 209.

L-CCC Tamaqua Campus (Morgan Center): March 24 - 5:30 to 7 p.m. - MC 109; April 28 - 5:30 to 7 p.m. - MC 109.

L-CCC Jim Thorpe (Carbon County): March 30 - 5:30 to 7 p.m. - Room 317.

For more information about L-CCC Allentown and Schnecksville campuses, please call 610-799-1133. To reach L-CCC Tamaqua or Jim Thorpe sites, call 570-668-6880.

WH UMC Easter Week Services

White Haven United Methodist Church will hold Easter Week Services on Palm Sunday (March 20). Worship is at 9 a.m., followed by an Easter Egg Hunt and a visit from the Easter Bunny at 10:30 a.m. There will be no contemporary service at 11 a.m.

New hours for WH VFW

VFW Post 6615 of White Haven will have new hours effective March 13.

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WEATHERLY THIS WEEK

Thursday, March 17 Countdown to Spring: Three Days!

St. Patrick's Day
Weatherly Rotary Club Dinner Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – Weatherly Country Inn
W.A.H.S. Alumni Association Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – W.A. Middle School
Tweedle Park & Playground Association Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Park

Weatherly Lions Club Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Borough Building

Friday, March 18

Candy Easter Egg Sale – 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. & 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. – Centenary United Methodist Church

Ham Raffle - 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. – L & L Fire Company, Laurytown

Saturday, March 19

Children's Easter Egg Hunt – 1:30 p.m. – Eurana Park Ball Field

Monday, March 21

Weatherly Borough Council Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Municipal Building

Thursday, March 24

Bingo Night – 7:00 p.m. (Doors open at 6:00 p.m.) – Tweedle Park

Every Thursday

State Representative Doyle Heffley Outreach Office – 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. – Weatherly Borough Building

Unbaked pizza sale

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 360 in Weatherly will hold an Unbaked Pizza

Sale on March 25. Cost is \$9 for regular, and \$1 extra per topping.

Legion Auxiliary 360 to meet

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 360 in Weatherly will hold its monthly meeting

on March 21 at the post home starting at 7 p.m. All members are urged to attend.

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Spring Mingle Craft Vendors April 17

Blood Drive in recognition of White Haven Ambulance – April 30, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Paint & Drink Party – May 15

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Senior Menu

Week of March 21:

Monday: Crispy baked fish, macaroni & cheese, stewed tomatoes, salad, cookie.

Tuesday: Barbecued riblets, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, cottage cheese with peaches.

Wednesday: Corn chowder, cheeseburger, salad, mixed berries.

Thursday: Chicken, mashed potatoes, Brussels sprouts, roll, rice pudding.

Friday: Good Friday; centers closed.

Persian Doughnut sale

The deadline to order Persian doughnuts from the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 360 in Weatherly is March 18. Cost is \$1.50 each or 4 for \$5.

Contact any Auxiliary Member, or call Joan Drasher at

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Flower Sale

Saturday, March 19
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Sunday, March 20
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Potato Pancakes
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WAHS Senior of the Month



Senior of the Month for February at Weatherly Area High School.

Alexis is the president of the Class of 2016, captain of the Volleyball and Girls' Basketball teams, and president of the Weatherly Area High School chapter of the National Honor Society. She is also a member of the Yearbook Club and the Student Government Association, and has been involved with Science Olympiad and Envirothon.

In the community, Alexis has volunteered her time with Relay for Life and the annual Dig Pink Volleyball game, and her graduation project centered on Leukemia Awareness. Alexis is employed by Whitewater Challengers.

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Alexis Hartz, daughter of David and Teresa Hartz, Weatherly, has been named

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WAEMS book donations

Gabriella, Abigail & Alianna Hernandez donated the following books to the Weatherly Elementary/Middle School Library: *Big Nate Goes for Broke* by Lincoln Peirce; *Back When You Were Easier*

to Love by Emily Wing Smith; *The Boy in the Dress* by David Walliams; and *Wake* by Amanda Hocking.

Alize Halye has donated the following books:

Sleep Skunks by Nancy Parent; *Baby Max and Ruby: Birthday* by Rosemary Wells; *Dinosaur Ben* by Annie DeCaprio; *Lin's Backpack* by Helen Lester; and *Horns to Toes and In Between* by Sandra Boynton.

WASD dress-down day donation deals

The Weatherly Area School District administrators, fac-

ulty, and staff participated in a dress-down day February 19.

Donations amounting to \$188 benefited the Weatherly Rotary Club.

They held another dress-down day February 26. Donations of \$315 benefited Zion's Nursery School and Tweedle Park and Playground Association that day.

L&L Ham raffle tonight

L&L Rural Volunteer Fire Company will hold a ham raffle on March 18 at 7 p.m.

The public is welcome to attend. There will be door prizes, cash prizes, free

beverages, and homemade foods for sale.

Ham raffle tickets are for sale for \$1. For tickets, see any member.

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The number of monarch butterflies is dwindling at an alarming rate. Learn what you can do right in your own backyard to help sustain the butterfly.

Roberta Troy, who will present the program, is passionate about the plight of this species and about being a good steward for our earth. Roberta is a member

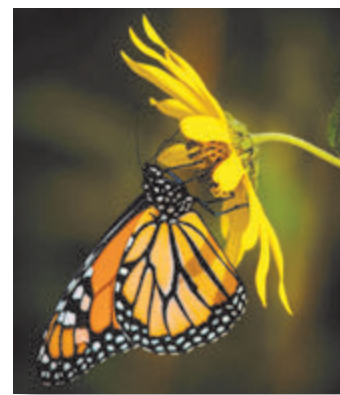


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of NBLT, a Master Gardener, a member of the North American Butterfly Association, and many more like-minded organizations.

This program is free for members of North Branch Land Trust and \$10 for non-members. It will be held at North Branch Land Trust Offices, 11 Carverton Rd., Trucksville.

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MARCH 17, Thursday — St. Patrick's Day Dinner, sponsored by V.F.W. Post 6615, White Haven

MARCH 18, Friday — Candy Easter Egg Sale, sponsored by Centenary United Methodist Church, Weatherly

MARCH 18, Friday — Ham Raffle, sponsored by L & L Fire

Company, Laurytown

MARCH 19, Saturday — Children's Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by Weatherly Lions Club & Community Chest

MARCH 20, Sunday — Children's Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by White Haven Recreation Board & Police Benevolence Association

Irem Shrine Circus to be in Kingston March 28 to April 2

The annual Irem Shrine Circus featuring the Royal Hanneford Circus comes to the area at the end of March. The Uniform Units of Irem Shrine present this week-long event at the Kingston Armory from March 28 to April 2. The Uniform Units are seen in parades throughout the Wyoming Valley. They started the 1st Irem Shrine Circus 67 years ago and have been presenting the valley with this family affordable circus ever since. The first circus came to Wilkes-Barre in 1943 by train and performed in a tent in the Artillery Park, today known as Kirby Park. The next circus was held in 1949, after World War II ended, and has been annual since.

The Irem Shrine's circus volunteers, "Nobles," work hard for two weeks at the Kingston Armory setting up the bleachers, stands and preparing the novelties and goodies for circus time. Admission prices this year start at \$8. There are also seats for \$11, \$15 and \$20. Show times are 1:30 p.m. on Monday 3-28 and Saturday April 2, and 10 a.m. Tuesday through Friday, and at 7 p.m. Monday through

MHS Easter Egg Hunt

Members of the Student Council and the Development Office at Marian High School will host the thirteenth annual Easter egg hunt on March 26 at the Marian campus. Registration will be at 9:30 a.m., and the Egg Hunt will begin promptly at 10 a.m.

All children up to and including second grade (7 to 8 years of age) are eligible to participate. Gift bags will be distributed to all children, and prizes will be given to some lucky participants.

For more information, contact the Susie Gerhard at the Marian Development Office at 570-467-0641 or 570-582-0021.

The egg hunt will be held rain or shine.

Saturday.

You can bring a small amount of money and have a delicious time as the popcorn, peanuts, snow cones, cotton candy and candy apples, soda/water and the valley's favorite, hot dogs, are all \$2 each.

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MARCH 25, Friday — Good Friday Fish Fry, sponsored by Boy Scouts Venturing Crew 461, at American Legion Post 781, Mountain Top

APRIL 1, Friday — Clothing Giveaway, sponsored by Freeland Presbyterian Church

APRIL 1, Friday — Awards Dinner, sponsored by White Haven Chamber of Commerce

APRIL 3, Sunday — Breakfast, sponsored by Marine Corps League Det. 1039 at St. Patrick's Parish Center, White Haven

APRIL 3, Sunday — Breakfast, sponsored by Albrightsville Fire Company

Spring Train Meet in Palmerton

The Carbon Model Railroad Society will hold its Spring Train Meet on Sunday, April 3 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Palmerton Area High School gym. This is a model railroad, toy train and railroading sale for the serious and the amateur railroad and model train collector.

The gym is located at 3533 Fireline Road, Palmerton. There is plenty of free parking, and

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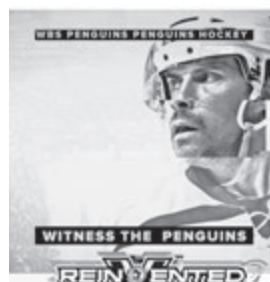


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Seth's Sightings by Seth Isenberg

Spring flowers have appeared with this unusually warm spell. The crocuses at our house have spread their purple petals from their planted bed along our sidewalk at the house. Daffodils will be making an appearance by the time this newspaper hits the streets. On our way to a hockey game, we sighted one of the flowering ornamental bushes planted by PennDOT in Wilkes-Barre at the intersection of Routes 115 and 309 ready to burst into full bloom. All of this is great, except that this is the end of winter. By next week, temperatures at night will be in the 20s. So enjoy these flowers. Let's hope for April to frost free.

The weekend before St. Patrick's Day featured some of the parades in our area's big Irish communities. We were in New Jersey on Sunday afternoon passing through Hackettstown, NJ, and were detoured around their rather large St. Patrick's parade. We passed the parade closely enough to watch and hear a bagpipe band pass by, and then see a local Irish dance school perform before it was our turn to drive away. We were on our way to a quick visit to my Uncle Slater.

Our local Penguins have been losing lately. We were lucky to be at the Mohegan Sun Arena for their 6-5 come-from-behind win over Lehigh Valley on the 9th. The team has lost two since and will have to beat division leader and rival Hershey this coming weekend. We plan to be there to cheer this Saturday. The Penguins are also home

Wednesday March 23, Saturday March 26 and Tuesday the 29th. The WBS Penguins hold the second spot in their Division for the Calder Cup playoffs, but will be needing to win to hold that spot, so come join us to cheer.

On our Saturday afternoon walk with Chess, our English pointer, we were on the eastern end of the Old Stage Trail in Hickory Run State Park. A little ways in, the Boulder Field Trail crosses near a small stream. I stopped to enjoy the beauty of the spot, sitting on a streamside rock with a view through the trees of the setting sun. Ruth and Chess went further up the trail without me. After about 10 minutes of peace, I was surprised to be joined by a medium-sized German shorthair pointer wearing a doggie saddlebag. He checked me out, waded into the stream for a drink, and then went on his merry way. A few minutes later his people came by and we talked. I let them know that Chess was likely to be up ahead. I saw the two dogs meet for a brief friendly hello. Chess then tracked me until she found my streamside spot. She too spent some time in the stream, and then the two of us went out to find Ruth to continue our walk.

On our ride into New Jersey on Sunday, Ruth sighted a great blue heron standing regally atop a rock in the stream that parallels Route 46. Further along, we sighted a volunteer fire station sign listing coming events and "memers wanted."

I am still trying to catch up on the hour of sleep I lost this past Sunday.

We are sighting a whole lot of rabbits. They seem to be getting an early start this year. Perhaps it's due to the early Easter... and - Happy Easter to all who celebrate.

Saturday and Sunday the 19th and 20th will be the first ever public show in the new Kalahari Resort's convention center in Pocono Manor — the

Living History at the M.S. Kirby Library

Crestwood High School teacher Charles Herring has a unique way of making history come to life for his students. For the past seven years, he temporarily dons a beard and gathers an array of props in order to transform into a Civil War veteran.

Every school year, Herring becomes Theodore Gerrish, a Union soldier from the 20th Maine Volunteer Infantry Regiment. Theodore Gerrish reminisces and relays to the stu-

Greater Pocono Home & Outdoor Living Show. Come out from 10 to 6 on Saturday, or 10 to 4 on Sunday and enjoy a the Pocono Builders' biggest show ever.

On Sunday the 20th, there's another edition of the 40 Story Radio Tower show at the Mauch Chunk Opera House in Jim Thorpe. The show starts at 4 p.m.

Spring Plant sale

The Penn-Kidder Library Center is holding their annual Spring Plant Sale from March 18 through March 26 at the library during normal business hours (Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to noon, and Tuesday & Thursday 4-6 p.m.)

The all-volunteer library is located off Route 903 in Albrightsville in the Pine Point Plaza.

A cookie, candy, and cupcake sale on March 25 - 26 will coincide with the plant sale.

For more information, visit their Facebook page, call 570-722-0300, or visit www.penn-kidderlibrary.com for more information.

dents his experiences in fighting in the Civil War which includes his recruitment, the role the 20th Maine and Colonel Joshua Chamberlain played in the battle of Little Round Top, the battle at Gettysburg, and the many hardships endured by soldiers of the time.

On March 22 at 6:30 p.m., Herring will portray Theodore Gerrish at the Marian Sutherland Kirby Library at 35 Kirby Ave., Mountaintop for the pub-

lic. Don't miss this unique opportunity to witness living history.

Herring's performance as Theodore Gerrish has gained increased popularity, and he has presented the program at the Hanover Green Cemetery and Heller's Apple Festival, as well as other local venues.

Registration for this program may be completed at the Circulation desk, or by calling 570-474-9313.

Bowzer brings Rock 'N' Doo-Wop Party to Mohegan Sun Pocono

Bowzer will return to Mohegan Sun Pocono along with his Doo-Wop family for a great night of music that will include some of the best hits from the 50s and 60s. Don't miss the fun on May 29 at 8 p.m. at the Keystone Grand Ballroom.

It is set to star Jay Siegel's Tokens ("The Lion Sleeps To-

night", "Tonight I Fell in Love"); Freddy "Boom-Boom" Cannon ("Palisades Park", "Tallahassee Lassie"); Shirley Alston Reeves, Original lead singer of The Shirelles ("Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow", "Soldier Boy"); the original Comets ("Rock Around The Clock", "Shake, Rattle & Roll"); Joey Dee & The Starliners ("Peppermint Twist", "What Kind Of Love Is This"); Bowzer & The Stingrays, Rocky & The Rollers. Special guest will be Johnny Contardo, formerly of

Sha Na Na. The show is hosted by Bowzer of Sha Na Na.

Ticket prices start at \$25 and go on sale March 18 at 10 a.m. through Ticketmaster. Ticketmaster customers may log on to ticketmaster.com; call Ticketmaster's national toll free Charge by Phone number 1-800-745-3000; or visit any Ticketmaster outlet. Tickets will also be available at the Mohegan Sun Pocono Box Office starting on March 19, subject to availability.

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34. Exclamation of

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43. Dwarf buffalo
44. Some sorority girls
46. South American monkey
47. Like gum after novocaine shot
48. Poisonous plant
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2. Subject of "A Good Walk Spoiled"

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4. Literary composition
5. *F. Scott Fitzgerald's "The Beautiful and the _____"
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7. Snakelike fish
8. Very successful
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20. Malaria to Bill Gates, e.g.
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35. Clothes line
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39. *Iconic baseball player
42. Abdominal exercise
45. Equestrian's seat
49. Foreign intelligence service
51. Provoke
54. Irish playwright John Millington _____

56. Cease-fire
57. Toothpaste holder
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Comets split their games at Flyers Cup Tournament

The Crestwood High School ice hockey team made some more noise in its second straight appearance in the Flyers Cup Tournament. Seeded 11th in the tournament, the Comets rallied from two goals down to defeat Palmyra 4-3 in its opening-round game played at Klick Lewis Arena in Annville.

The Comets' stellar season came to an end one round later, when Unionville upended them 5-4 in last Monday's quarterfinal round in West Chester.

Crestwood 4, Palmyra 3 - Palmyra, the #6 seed, took a 2-0 lead in the opening period, scoring twice on its first three shots. Tyler Depuy scored on the power play and the Cougars' Brendan Daley added an unassisted goal in the early spurt.

But Crestwood came back with three straight goals in the second period to take the lead. After Skylar Swavely's shot hit the post, Jared McClune was there to score on the rebound

Crestwood Ice Hockey

and give the Comets their first goal on the power play. Josh Edwards' sharp-angle shot tied the game at 2-2, and Swavely followed with a goal of his own 1:07 later to put the Comets ahead. Palmyra tied the game at 3-all when DePuy scored on the power play goal late in the second period.

Tanner Kahlau put the Comets ahead to stay with 3:58 remaining in the contest, then goalie Patrick Croke held Palmyra at bay, stopping all nine shots he faced in the third period. He finished with 22 saves.

Crestwood killed off a penalty over the final 21 seconds to win and advance. "We thought we played fairly well in the first period," Crestwood coach Paul Eyerman said. "We outshot them 8-3 but gave up a couple of defensive zone miscues. But

nobody panicked. We wanted to get some momentum at the start of the second and that carried us through ..."

Unionville 5, Crestwood 4 - Third-seeded Unionville scored three goals in the span of 71 seconds of the third period, erasing a 4-2 deficit to beat the upset-minded Comets in the quarterfinal round at the Ice Line hockey complex in West Chester.

"We played pretty well, but we made some costly turnovers late when people tried to do too much with the puck," Eyerman said. "They had a deeper bench than us. We may have also run out of gas."

Crestwood looked to be in good position to reach the semifinals of the tournament's "A" division for the second straight season after Josh Edwards scored to make it 4-2 with 7:31

remaining in the contest. The Indians cut their deficit to 4-3 when Parker Wine scored with 5:27 left, and they tied it 38 seconds later on Danny Hargadon's goal. Wine scored again 33 seconds later to conclude the comeback.

Although the Comets had a few chances in the final two minutes and had a one-man advantage for a possession when they pulled their goalie, they were unable to tie things back up. The Comets led for most of the game as junior forward Skylar Swavely scored off a rebound just 23 seconds into the contest. In the sec-

ond period freshman T.J. Kulak scored for a 2-0 advantage.

Unionville tied it with goals from Wine and Hargadon late in the second period, only to see Crestwood respond. Kulak scored his second goal 1:14 into the third period, and Edwards added his goal seven minutes later for a 4-2 cushion that seemed comfortable until Unionville's late heroics.

Patrick Croke made 19 saves in goal for the Comets, who have won four of their six Flyers Cup Tournament games over the past two seasons.

Upcoming sports programs

The Freeland YMCA Boys and Girls High School League is taking registrations for the upcoming season.

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The 19th Annual Black Diamond Classic gets under way Thursday and continues through the weekend. This basketball tournament, held at the Eurana Park Pavilion in Weatherly, features area teams comprised of players ranging from first through fourth grades. Eleven teams are set to take the floor at the "cozy court" this year. Joining host team Weatherly are defending champion CVCO (Valley Warriors), Freeland YMCA-White, Freeland YMCA-Red, Jim Thorpe, Mahanoy Area, Mountain Top, Panther Valley, Southern and Shamokin. Tamaqua is also back in the tournament for the first time since 2004.

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Trophy presentations will take place immediately following the semifinal and championship games on Sunday evening. The tournament is sponsored by Weatherly area businesses and organizations, with all proceeds used for improvements to the pavilion. Doors will open 15 minutes prior to the start of the day's first scheduled game.

The following is the tournament schedule:

Thursday's Games

Game 1 - 6 p.m., Freeland (White) vs. Mountain Top
Game 2 - 7:15 p.m. - Valley vs. Mahanoy Area

Friday's Games

Game 3 - 5:30 p.m., Tamaqua vs. Freeland (Red)
Game 4 - 6:45 p.m., Winner Game 1 vs. Panther Valley
Game 5 - 8 p.m., Winner Game 2 vs. Shamokin

Saturday's Games

Game 6 - 9 a.m., Winner Game 3 vs. Jim Thorpe
Game 7 - 10:15 a.m., Southern vs. Weatherly
Game 8 - 11:30 a.m., Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2
Game 9 - 12:45 p.m., Loser Game 3 vs. Loser Game 4
Game 10 - 2 p.m., Loser Game 5 vs. Loser Game 6
Game 11 - 3:15 p.m., Winner Game 4 vs. Winner Game 5

Game 12 - 4:30 p.m., Winner Game 8 vs. Winner Game 9
Game 13 - 5:45 p.m., Winner Game 6 vs. Winner Game 7
Game 14 - 7 p.m., Winner Game 10 vs. Loser Game 7

Sunday's Games

Game 15 - 10:30 a.m., Winner Game 12 vs. Loser Game 13
Game 16 - 11:45 p.m., Winner Game 14 vs. Loser, Game 11
Game 17 - 1 p.m., Winner Game 11 vs. Winner Game 13
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Game 19 - 3:30 p.m., Winner Game 18 vs. Loser Game 17

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This year's tournament as wide-open as any in recent years

Ready for a little March Madness?

The NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Tournament gets under way this week, and this year's tourney appears to be as wide open as any in recent memory. After watching a host of college games this season, and many more during conference championship week, it's hard to see any team as a clear-cut pick to be cutting down the nets in Houston come April 4. A glance through the tournament's four regions will hopefully provide some insight into

which four teams may still be standing when the final four reach their destination in Houston. From there, it's anybody's game.

In the EAST REGION, top-seeded North Carolina appears to be the team to beat, but it's a dangerous road for the Tar Heels nonetheless. An interesting second-round matchup against either USC or Providence looms in the second round, but with that game in Raleigh, look for the Heels to reach the Sweet 16 unscathed. In the bottom half of the bracket, Notre Dame

and West Virginia could clash in the second round, and the survivor of Wisconsin and Pitt would likely get second-

On The Sly

by Steve Stallone, Sports Editor

seeded Xavier in the second round.

North Carolina gets a win over Big Ten regular-season champ Indiana, which defeats SEC Tournament champion Kentucky one round earlier, in the Round of 16 in Philadelphia. West Virginia beats Xavier in the other half of the draw. In the Elite Eight, Carolina takes out #3-seed West Virginia in a thriller to advance to the Final Four.

In the MIDWEST REGION, look for top-seeded Virginia

to get through the first two rounds, and then take out #5 Purdue to get to the Elite Eight in Chicago. The lower half of the bracket has #2-seed Michigan State - always a dangerous team come tourney time - rolling through, forcing a 1-vs.-2 showdown for a trip to the Final Four. I like the Cavaliers over the Spartans, setting up an all-ACC regional final against rival North Carolina in the national semifinals.

Down in the SOUTH REGION, top-seeded Kansas will have its hands full after the second round, and could face either #5 Maryland or #4 California in the Sweet 16. I like Cal, with two of the nation's top freshmen in Jaylen Brown and Ivan Rabb, and the top defense in the Pac-12 Conference, to edge Maryland, and then stun

the #1-seeded Jayhawks to reach the Elite Eight. There I see Cal meeting up with #2 Villanova, which has had several flops in the tournament after gaining high seeds. This time around, the tough-minded Wildcats scratch out a win over the Bears to get to the Final Four.

Out in the WEST REGION, top-seeded Oregon will be upset by Atlantic 10 champion Saint Joe's in the second round, before #4 Duke takes the Hawks out in the Round of 16. The bottom half of the bracket will be owned by #2 seed Oklahoma, which will be in Oklahoma City for its first two games. The Sooners will take out #3 Texas A&M for its shot at Duke. With player of the year candidate Buddy Hield in their arsenal, the Sooners roll past Duke and into the Final Four.

In Houston, I like Oklahoma easily over Villanova in a battle of 2-seeds in one semifinal. In the other, the offense of the Tar Heels proves too much for the defense of Virginia, as Carolina wins the battle of top-seeds to reach the finals.

In what could be a very high-scoring championship game, North Carolina cuts down the nets following a 94-88 victory over Oklahoma. Enjoy!

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Journal-Herald Sports

Former Crestwood star Rutkowski keys ESU turnaround in 2015-16

by Steve Stallone,
Sports Editor

Rebecca Rutkowski had a lot of adjustments to make in year one of her college basketball career. A double-double machine during her playing days at Crestwood High School, she went from star player for the Lady Comets to a reserve at East Stroudsburg University during her freshman season of 2014-15. She saw action in just 18 games and scored a mere 16 points - something she would get on a normal night at Crestwood.

Then came more adjustments in year two. One-time Marian High School star player Diane Decker was brought in as East Stroudsburg's new head coach prior to the 2015-16 campaign, making for added change and still more challenges for Rutkowski and her teammates. The struggles were noticeable. ESU went 1-7 in its first eight games, and Rutkowski had yet to make a start.

"We did (struggle) in the beginning," Decker admitted. "They had to adapt to a whole new system and a change in the way I do things. It was a total culture change for them and for me. I run a unique system, especially defensively, and it was hard for them." And then one day, it all started coming together.

"Eventually it just clicked. I never was part of a team where one game the light switch just

went on, and that's what happened against Holy Family," she said, referring to the 70-61 mid-December road victory in Philadelphia. "Things kind of went from there. They started believing in the system, in themselves and in me."

The victory was part of a five-game win streak that turned the season around. Rutkowski was at the heart of that turnaround. She moved into the starting lineup the following game, and began to show Decker and Warrior faithful what Lady Comets fans had seen on many occasions: dominant play in the paint.

In her first start, she poured in 24 points and blocked five shots to spark a 96-60 win over Cheyney. Later in the season, she dropped 23 points on first-place West Chester in an overtime loss. "In the beginning, I just think her heart wasn't in it," Decker said. "Rebecca has a lot of talent, I just think basketball wasn't a focus of hers. Our other big girl got hurt, and her first game starting against Cheyney she had 24 points. She found the love of the game again. She really started working a lot harder."

The six-foot forward played in 26 of 28 games and started 13, averaging 18.9 minutes and 7.7 points per game. She was third on the team in scoring, shot a solid 72.3 percent from the foul line (34-of-47), pulled down 3.7

rebounds per contest, and led the entire PSAC with a whopping 61 blocked shots (2.4 bpg).

With Rutkowski making huge contributions, the Warriors won 14 of their final 20 games, qualified for the conference playoffs as the fourth seed in the East, and knocked off fifth-seeded Bloomsburg 79-69 in overtime in the opening round. In that game, she recorded her first career triple-double (14 points, 11 boards), swatted four shots and made three steals to help show the way.

Despite Rutkowski's 10 points and nine boards, the Warriors were edged by top seed West Chester 70-65 in the quarterfinal round to end their season at 15-13.

"She's really an athletic kid, and she led the PSAC in blocked shots," Decker said. "She's deceiving. She's pretty talented offensively. Rebecca brought a toughness to our team. She's only going to get better and better. She's gonna work really hard in the offseason, and I'm excited to see what she'll do next season."

It's a season Decker can't wait to begin. The PSAC East Coach of the Year welcomes back Rutkowski, all-PSAC East first-teamer Allison Howard, and fellow starters Rachel Falkowski and Imani Brown. They'll be joined by a recruiting class with a distinct Coal Region flavor to it. Among Deck-



Former Crestwood High School star Rebecca Rutkowski, left, shown here shooting against Cheyney in December, helped the East Stroudsburg University women's basketball team reach the PSAC playoffs and win their tournament opener, part of a 15-win season for the Warriors.

Photo by Bob Shank/ESU Athletics.

er's signees for next season are Marian's Vanessa Whitecavage, North Schuylkill's Tiffany Lapotsky and Pottsville's Sadie Cresswell. The guard trio combined for more than 140 3-pointers this season, handled the ball and led their teams into the postseason. "I'm excited about the class coming in," Decker said. "I feel they can play for me. The future is bright."

Coal Region basketball is nothing new to Decker, who dominated the Schuylkill League in high school and is still Marian's all-time leading scorer (2,377 points) and rebounder (1,116) after an all-state career that included a PIAA Class A state championship in 1984. "Coal Region players have a strong bond. It's hard to describe, we just do," she said. "They bring a toughness and a work ethic that isn't found everywhere. And Coal Region fans are extremely loyal and everybody is supportive and happy when they come and play in college. I will always recruit Coal Re-

gion players."

They will likely be a big part of what the Warriors do moving forward. The first order of business: bring the PSAC East Division title back to ESU for the first time since 2006-07. "The first day back (in the fall) the players come up with their own personal goals and team goals, and then we just go from there," Decker said. "But winning the PSAC East is definitely one of our goals. I think we can do it."

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