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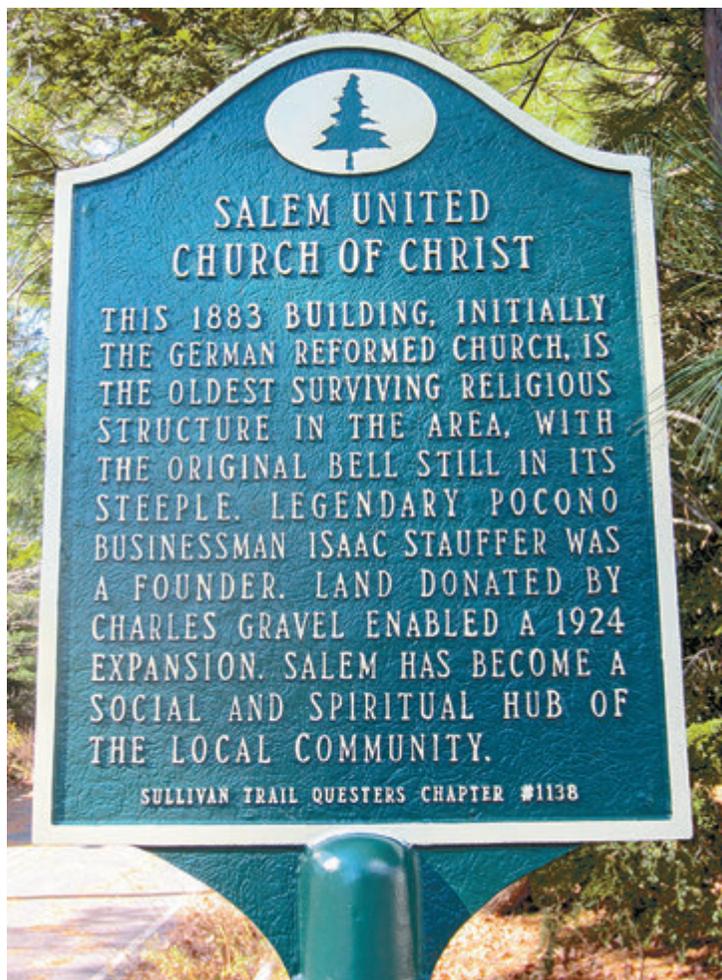
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This Historical Roadside Marker is similar to those being installed this year throughout Tobyhanna Township.

MATT Historical Marker installations starting

by Rick Bodenschatz

With overwhelming support from the community, installations of historical roadside markers started on Thursday, July 11 at 11 a.m. in Tobyhanna Township with the unveiling of the historical marker, **Summer Youth Camps**. It was donated by the Kitchen-Diener Family, in honor of Dr. James G. and Martha Kitchen, who provided medical care to thousands of campers over the years.

The location of this historical marker is at the Blanche D. Price Park and township government center just off of State Street in Pocono Pines. The unveiling ceremony was held with the donor's family, MATT volunteers and township officials slated to attend. The public is encouraged to attend all marker unveilings.

The historical roadside marker project began last summer when a group of vol-

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Area agencies soon to expand to the Plateau



Tim Lee, Pocono Services for Families and Children Executive Director, reviews architectural plans for the former Coolbaugh Elementary Center as Arthur Piancone (left) of Pocono Alliance Bridges Out of Poverty joins other area agencies optimistically observing during the walk-through on July 1.

JP: Jeanine Hofbauer

by Jeanine Hofbauer

"I just got the keys today," beamed Tim Lee, program director for Pocono Services for Families and Children Monroe County Head Start, as representatives from several other area agencies toured their soon-to-be home inside the new Mountain Community Education and Service Center on July 1.

As the ink dries on PSFC's \$3.1 million purchase from Pocono Mountain School District, the group including Monroe County Area Agency on

Aging, United Way, Pocono Alliance, RHD Crossroads, and Street to Feet, converged on the former Coolbaugh Ele-

mentary Center, vacant since 2012.

Architect Francis Sloan

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Budget sent to Governor after bipartisan passage

On June 30, Rep. Rosemary M. Brown (R-Monroe/Pike), David Parker (R-Monroe), and Jack Rader (R-Monroe) voted in favor of Senate Bill 1073, the final state budget plan for fiscal year 2016-17.

This budget again received bipartisan support in the House, and contains no new or broad-based tax increases to Pennsylvania taxpayers. After the vote, the delegation made the following statement:

Today, as we have sent this budget to the governor for his final approval, we are thankful he agreed to take broad-based tax hikes off the table for this year's budget negotiations. Taxpayers and businesses across Monroe and Pike counties have told us repeatedly that they cannot afford to pay higher sales or income taxes, especially with the high rate of property taxes in our area. The House spent nine months of last fiscal year

standing up for our taxpayers, and fighting against additional taxes."

This budget spends \$665 million in new funding for pre-K to 12th grade, which includes a \$200 million increase in basic education funding. This funding will be distributed through the new, fairer funding formula, which will benefit our local schools."

This year, while we are glad that there are no new or increased taxes for households, we are disappointed that there is no mention of property tax reform. We have stood united in being against broad-based tax increases without a direct reduction in property tax rates. We will continue to fight for property tax reform and how we collect money to fund our schools based on the value of our homes, as these remain the most stressing issues to our local people."

We are glad the General Assembly was able to pass this budget on time, but looking forward, we

hope budgets can be crafted based on needs, as opposed to the assumption that taxpayers are expected

to pay more year after year
Visit www.pahousegop.com for more information about the 2016-17 state budget plan.

Markers...

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unteers in Tobyhanna Township began seeking donations for the community-wide project. To date, 25 markers have been paid for through donations.

Installations were started last fall, with the marker entitled **Salem United Church of Christ**. Organized as MATT, the Marker Advisors of Tobyhanna Township, the group hopes to have all markers installed before the ground freezes next fall. The marker installation schedule can be viewed on the marker website, or by calling MATT at 570-580-5353.

Unveiled on June 18 was the marker **Tobyhanna Town-**

ship, which provides a history of the community's formation and early years. Donated by the Pocono Lions Club, its location is the park and flag pole area along Route 940 in Pocono Pines near the traffic light.

In the coming weeks, installation is planned for markers entitled **Lutherland, Wagner's Tree Farm, Lumbering, Blakeslee United Methodist Church, and The Battle of Locust Ridge**. These will be followed by **Naomi Pines House, Sullivan Bridge, The Stagecoach Inn, William Henry Christman and Jacob Blakeslee, Jr.** During the fall many more will be installed.

Upon installation of all markers, a driving tour map will be made available. In the meantime, installed marker

locations can be viewed on the marker website at <http://www.tobyhannatwp.history.org/markers.html>. Each marker website page has considerably more information and photographs documenting the historical topics. And when visiting each marker's physical location, viewers can scan into a smartphone a decal mounted to the marker pole. This will take the visitor directly to that marker's website page, with access to view information about all other markers.

According to MATT, there are still a few significant historical topics available for marker donations. Interested parties can visit the website and call MATT at 570-580-5353.



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Editorial

Barriers make I-80 safer

by Seth Isenberg

Another deadly crash on Interstate 80 reminds us that the road could be a LOT safer for regular users.

What we know is that at about 6 a.m. on June 28, a driver of a car with New Jersey plates heading west lost control and drove his car off the road. The car went through the median and ended up going westbound in the eastbound lanes, facing heavy traffic. His car hit/was hit by a tractor-trailer, and he was thrown from the car and died.

That the driver could drive through the median and onto the oncoming lanes is a HUGE concern. This could have been much worse.

We urge PennDOT to put barriers in place in these medians to give out-of-control vehicles a life-saving stop, and to keep opposing traffic from the chance this will happen again.

Scavello to host vets help session

Senator Mario Scavello (R-40) and the American Legion will be holding a Veterans Assistance Day on July 12 at the senator's Tannersville district office. This service is offered on the second Tuesday of each month. The district office is located at 2989 Route 611, Suite 103.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., a service officer with the American Legion Pennsylvania Department will be on site to assist veterans with issues including: compensation and pension claims, education benefits, enrollment in the VA health care system, burial and survivor benefits, state benefits, and obtaining military personnel and medical records.

Veterans do not need to be a member of the American Legion to receive these services. Contact the Tannersville office to schedule an appointment at 570-620-4326.

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Agencies...

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shared plans with sections dedicated to Early Childhood Development, as well as multigenerational programs.

Calling the acquisition a "collective impact approach," Lee explained benefits of bringing community resources up the mountain. With a majority of agencies situated in Stroudsburg, reaching these

Monroe County residents was a struggle, as many had difficulty traveling downtown. While alleviating the distance dilemma was pivotal, opening doors to regional and national funding under joint grant writing initiatives proved to be key. PSFC's vision of serving infants through seniors at this facility had Monroe County Area Agency on Aging senior center manager Leslie Berger agreeing the more accessible location off Route 611 and close to I-380 will "reach clearly more people" no matter what the age.

With sites across the county as far as West End, the elder organization offering recreational programs focuses on "The big three"—socialization, wellness and nutrition. It's considering future ideas for both the young and not-as-young participants, including an outdoor community classroom and community garden, an innovative approach to embracing their new surroundings.

As the outlook is optimistic for Head Start classes in the new location by the end of August, the opportunity for an expanding collection of community agencies increases with many eager to settle in soon.

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Area Funerals

Richard W. Evans

Richard W. Evans, 76, of Pocono Lake, died Saturday, July 2, 2016 at Geisinger Wyoming Valley in Wilkes-Barre. He was the husband of Francine (Lembo) Evans, with whom he shared 33 years of marriage.

He was born in Nanticoke. Richard was Lieutenant of the Long Beach Fire Department in Long Beach, Long Island before his retirement. He was a Member of the International Association of Firefighters, an active member of the Arrowhead Lake Association, and was of the Catholic faith.

He is also survived by two sons, Chris Evans and wife Tima and his granddaughter Emma of Wernersville, and John Evans of Albuquerque, New Mexico; and one sister, Patsy Adams.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, July 8 at 3 p.m. at the Bolock Funeral Home, 6148 Paradise Valley Road, Cresco. There will be a visitation from 2 p.m. until the time of service.

Private cremation has been entrusted to Bolock Funeral Home Crematory.

Harriet E. Morris

Harriet E. (Leverich) Morris 72, of Long Pond, died Saturday, July 2, 2016 at Easton Hospital. She was the wife of the late Bruce B. Morris who died the year before on July 2, 2015.

Born in Ossining, New York, she was a daughter of the late James and Madelyn (Craft) Leverich.

She is survived by her daughters, Peggysue Belanger of Arrowhead Lake, Sharon A. Smith and her husband, Randy of Blakeslee, and Carol A. Ramm and her husband, William of Hanover Township; three grandsons, Michael, Scott, and Joseph; six granddaughters, Christine, Corissa, Vanessa, Elizabeth, Gillian, and Emily; two great-grandsons, Jackson and Logan, with another

great-grandson on the way; one great-granddaughter, Brielle; three sisters, Ruth, Jean, and Dorothy; and five brothers, James, William, Herbert, David, and Walter; and many nieces and nephews. Harriet was preceded in death by her brother, Pierre and sister, Phyllis and her son-in-law, Peter Belanger.

There will be a visitation from 4 to 5 p.m., Friday, July 8 at Bolock Funeral Home, 6148 Paradise Valley Road, Cresco. A memorial service will begin at 5 p.m. at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Sharon Smith, 138 Nelson Drive, Blakeslee, PA 18610.

Private cremation has been entrusted to Bolock Funeral Home Crematory.

Take a musical journey through *The Lord's Prayer*

Blakeslee United Methodist Church Choir Cantata will present *Our Father, A Journey through the Lord's*

Prayer, at 7 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, July 30 and 31. Julie Kerrick Geiser will direct. Blakeslee United Meth-

odist Church, is located on Route 115, Blakeslee. Call 570-646-7727 for more information.

PMC using robot to fight infections

In an effort to proactively address the issue of hospital-acquired infections and to bolster its existing strong commitment to patient safety, Pocono Medical Center has invested in a germ-eliminating robot called Tru-D SmartUVC.

"Pocono Medical Center is dedicated to providing the safest hospital environment possible through the adoption of cutting-edge technologies and protocols," said Dr. William Cors, Vice President and Chief Medical Officer at Pocono Medical Center. "Tru-D technology takes an extra step toward hospital-acquired infection prevention while providing confidence for both our patients and staff that we are committed to their safety."

Tru-D provides enhanced terminal room disinfection through the use of UVC light energy. After environmental services staff cleans a room using traditional methods, Tru-D is brought in to complete the disinfection process. The 5-foot-5 robot operates from a single position and administers a single cycle of UV light, killing up to 99.9% of C. diff, MRSA, MERS, Ebola and many other harmful pathogens. Short for "total room

ultraviolet disinfection," Tru-D takes the minimum time necessary to disinfect an entire room, including shadowed areas. Once the cleaning cycle is complete, Tru-D automatically shuts down and sends an audio and/or text message alert to the operator that disinfection is complete.

Leading researchers and infection preventionists have begun to stress the importance of the use of UV in terminal room cleaning strategies. At the recent APIC annual conference, Dr. William A. Rutala from the University of North Carolina Health Care spoke on the need for no-touch room disinfection methods such as Tru-D. As more independent studies emerge, including the first-ever randomized clinical trial on UV—the Benefits of Enhanced Terminal Room Disinfection (BETR-D) study – the use of UV disinfection devices will become more widely adopted, if not mandated.

Hospital Safety Scores assign A, B, C, D and F letter grades to hospitals nationwide and provide the most complete picture of patient safety in the U.S. health care system. For the first time, the Hospital Safety Score includes five measures of patient-reported experience with the hospital as well as two of the most common infections, C.diff and MRSA. Grades were recently announced by The Leapfrog Group, the na-

tion's premier advocates for patient safety, naming Pocono Medical Center as one of only 33 hospitals in Pennsylvania to receive an 'A' rating from the Leapfrog Group.

In addition, Pocono Medical Center achieved the Healthgrades 2016 Patient Safety Excellence Award, a designation that recognizes superior performance in hospitals that have prevented the occurrence of serious, potentially avoidable complications for patients during hospital stays. This distinction places Pocono Medical Center among the top 10 percent of hospitals in the nation for its excellent performance as evaluated by Healthgrades as well as among the top 10 percent of hospitals in Pennsylvania by U.S. News and World Report.

The pioneer in UV disinfection, Tru-D was the only device of its kind selected for the first-ever randomized, clinical trial on UVC disinfection because of its Sensor 360 technology that eliminates any chance of human error in the disinfection process. Results of the landmark BETR-D study proved that enhanced terminal room disinfection strategies decreased the cumulative incidence of multi drug-resistant organisms by up to 30 percent, and the largest decreases were seen when Tru-D was added to the standard cleaning strategy.

For more information, visit Tru-D.com.

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Pocono Health Foundation Awards Over \$150,000 in Community Grants and Scholarships

Pocono Health Foundation recently celebrated its 24th Annual Grant Reception to award over \$150,000 to various community organizations and local students.

“For 24 years, Pocono Health Foundation has provided grants and scholarships to invest in improving the quality of life for those who reside and visit this great area. The grants and scholarships have been made possible by a generous community who partner with our Foundation so that local organizations can offer new, innovative health and wellness programs and support the education of tomorrow’s health-care professionals.” said

Steve Cunningham, Sr. Vice President and Chief Business Development Officer at Pocono Medical Center.

The 16 Monroe County community organizations that were honored through the generosity of the *Dr. Alberta Finch Children’s Health Endowment Fund* [**\$9,700**] and the *Dr. Claus G. Jordan Endowment Fund* [**\$51,250**] include the following:

- American Red Cross
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Bridge
- Bushkill Emergency Corps
- Crossroads Community Services
- Developmental Education Services of Monroe County
- Family Promise of Monroe County
- The Friendly Community Center
- The Garden of Giving, Inc.
- Habitat for Humanity of Monroe County
- Make-A-Wish Greater PA and West Virginia
- Meals on Wheels of Monroe County
- Planned Parenthood Keystone
- Pleasant Valley Ecumenical Network
- Pocono Alliance, Inc.
- Pocono Services for Families & Children
- Salvation Army of East Stroudsburg
- Support Services for Seniors
- Women’s Resources of Monroe County
- Youth Infusion, Inc.
- Lions Club District 14-U
- KidSight USA Project
- Melon’s Gift, Inc.



Front Row: Debbie Kulick, Jamie Bowman, Maggie O’Brien, Jessica Malachowsky, Laurie Kozar, Roxanne Powell, Beth Moses, and Heidi Fareri. **Back Row:** Wills Jordan, Michael Jordan, Mrs. Henry Jordan, Lauren Peterson, Sue Folk, Casey Roncoroni, Michelle Baehr, Leslie Perryman, Tammy Graeber, Joey Bolger, Ed Regina, Dan Conelyn, Ray Guernsy, Jennifer Strauch, and Major Gingrich.

- Pregnancy Crisis Center of the Poconos

As a result of the *R. Dale Hughes Nursing Scholarship Endowment*, *Jennie Cramer Memorial Nursing Scholarship*, *Robert A. Gordon Memorial Nursing Scholarship* [**\$20,800**], *Dr. Elmo J. Lilli Healthcare Scholarship* [**\$2,000**] and the *Sean P. Cunningham Memorial Scholarship Endowment* [**\$6,000**] the following students from northeastern Pennsylvania schools received scholarships:

- Caroline Gillenkirk, \$5,000
 - Shana Mraz, \$10,000
 - Mackenzie Steudler, \$5,000
 - Tracy Vishnesky, \$800
 - Larissa McNeill-Glowinski, \$6,000
 - Shanice Lyle, \$2,000
- Pocono Medical Center’s

premier *I Need A Hero* event, hosted by Desaki Restaurant owners Vincent and Charlie Trapasso, to celebrate and honor all EMS providers and all that they do in the community as integral partners has created the opportunity out of the generosity of the Trapassos to generate **\$12,000** toward supporting our local area EMS through education, training, and equipment. The following are the recipients of the *I Need A Hero Fund*:

- Bushkill Emergency Corps, \$3,000
- Pocono Mountain Regional EMS, \$3,000
- Suburban EMS, \$3,000
- West End Community Ambulance Association, \$3,000

The Valerie M. Hodge Memorial Pediatric Dental Center, providing dental care for the uninsured and under-insured of Monroe County, has also raised a total of **\$7,200** through the *Valerie M. Hodge Memorial Pediatric Dental Center Endowment*. In addition to these grants and scholarships, a PMC physician received a grant from the *William B. Cramer Medi-*

cal Staff Equipment Endowment [**\$23,000**] to enhance the medical services provided to the community.

The Pocono Health Foundation Endowment also provided funding to Eastern PA Medcom [**\$21,540**] to support the Medcom ALS communication fees needed for all four EMS squads serving Pocono Medical Center.

“Pocono Health Foundation is an integral part of Pocono Medical Center’s mission to deliver high quality and compassionate care close to home,” said Dr. Charles K. Herman, Chief Medical Executive, Chair of Surgery, Chief of Plastic Surgery at Pocono Medical Center and Chair of the Pocono Health Foundation Board of Directors. “As a result of generous support from its donors, Pocono Health Foundation is able to give back to the community in the form of the many grants to programs and services to local non-profits aligning with our mission of building a healthier community and scholarships that open the door for the next generation of providers to enter the field of healthcare.”



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Pocono Lions club hosted annual installation and awards banquet

The Pocono Lions club hosted its annual installation and awards banquet at the Lake Naomi Club on June 23. Presented with awards were the following:



Chuck Lawrence (right)

Citizen of the Year is Chuck Lawrence, manager of the 5 Loaves Top of the Mountain ecumenical food pantry. Chuck goes the extra mile to make sure that as many as possible in need of food, clothing and household goods are helped each month.



Jeff Pfeiffer and Mike Kummer.

Certificate of Appreciation to Jeff Pfeiffer for upholding the Lions motto of "We Serve" for help to a veteran in need of home and roof repairs.

Lion of the Year to Mike Kummer for his work on the veterans committee and coordinator for the Lion volunteers at Pocono Raceway.

William (Billy) Lewis Community Service Award to Bruce Denliner for outstanding



Dave Carbone

ing service to the community and the Pocono Lions.

Perfect attendance for fiscal year to Wes Werkheiser.

15 year service award and chevron to Joe Varacalli.

The Melvin Jones award recognizing a Lion for dedicated humanitarian and community service named after the founder of Lions and the highest honor a Lion can



Jim McLaine

achieve was presented to Dave Carbone and Jim McLaine.

The new slate of officers for the 2016-2017 terms were installed. They are Sean Naughton, president; Steve Glaesser, 1st vice-president;

Mike Kummer, 2nd vice-president; Al Franzone, 3rd vice-president; Wes Werkheiser, treasurer; George Barthelenghi, secretary; Jim Forcella, membership chair; Mike McNally, Lion Tamer; Ed Sohayda, 1 yr. director; Richard Whiteford, 1 yr. director; Bev Martinez, 2 yr. director; Robert Ray, 2 yr. director.

The Pocono Lions raise close to \$30,000 annually through a variety of fund raisers including their annual golf outing and volunteering at the Pocono Raceway. All funds that are raised go back into the Pocono community to serve charitable and non-profit organizations. Some of the programs include vision and sight programs, food pantries; Treasure Trove, clothing closets, Valor and veterans' aid and the Clymer Library.

John Ebeid graduates Magna Cum Laude



John Ebeid and Joseph Kraus, Ph.D., director of the Honors Program.

John Ebeid of Tobyhanna graduated magna cum laude from The University of Scranton's Special Jesuit Liberal Arts Honors Program and the Honors Program. Students in the Honors Program pursue a rigorous education that stresses independent work through close engagement with professors and other honors students, including the preparation, presentation, and defense of a research or creative project during their

senior year.

A biology major, Ebeid's thesis was "Demographic Characteristics of Crohn's Patients in the IBD Center at Hershey Medical Center in Central Pennsylvania: A Retrospective, Cross-Sectional Study," completed with the

guidance of faculty mentor Michael Hardisky Ph.D., Professor of biology.

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Clymer Library programs for July

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Adult Programs:

Learn About Genealogy

Genealogy expert Patrick Quigley returns to the Clymer Library on Tuesday, July 12 at 6 p.m. and monthly through the fall to answer questions about genealogy and assist with family research. Patrick will be at the library at 6 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month through October.

AWARE, AVOID, ALERT!

From the office of the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Senior Crime Prevention Program comes this informational seminar that is a must-see for everyone over the age of 65. Seniors will learn about the kinds of scams used by con artists, like telemarketing fraud, sweepstakes scams,

home improvement rip-offs, etc. Scam artists of all types take advantage of and target this generation. Friday, July 15 at 2 p.m. for this free session.

Tai Chi

Tai Chi is a very old tradition in Chinese culture that, today, is practiced as a graceful form of exercise. It involves a series of movements performed in a slow, focused manner and accompanied by deep breathing. Tai Chi is used for stress reduction and it improves a variety of health problems. This event will be held on Saturday, July 16 at 1 p.m.

Golf history and memorabilia

The Golf Collectors Society was founded in 1970 & its global group of members collect all things golf. On Thursday, July 21 at 6 p.m., Bob Gettis, former society president and current director at large, will present on the history of golf, evolution of golf equipment, and famous golfers who have had some

history in PA. Bob will bring examples from his collection of memorabilia and encourages attendees to bring a golf item to share with the group.

Brown Bag Book Club

The library's Brown Bag Book Club will meet on Monday, July 27 at 12:30 p.m. The club will read *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrick Backman. For more information, contact Melissa Lopez at the Clymer Library at (570) 646-0826.

Adult Coloring

The Clymer Library's free stress relief coloring program for adults continues by popular demand. Patrons ages 18 and up are invited to stop by any time all month long to color on their own. The library will supply the coloring pages and colored pencils or you can bring your own. Join us on Thursday, July 28 at 2 p.m. for a relaxing group coloring session, complete with complimentary cookies, beverages, and soothing music. When you're done, be sure to leave your finished work of art to be displayed at the library! Sign-up is required for the session on July 28 only.

Children's and Teens' Programs:

Story Hour and Lap Sit

Throughout the month of July the Clymer Library will hold several children's programs and events. The library's popular Story Hour for children ages 3-5 will be held on Mondays, July 11, 18, and 25 at 10:30 a.m. Lap Sit for kids ages two and under will be held Thursdays, July 14, 21, and 28 at 10:30 a.m.

Bored? *The Sandlot* (PG)

The Library will be showing the PG-rated film on Saturday, July 9 at 12 p.m. Scottie Smalls joins his new neighborhood friends at the sandlot to play baseball. They have some fun adventures until Smalls hits his stepdad's ball over a fence! Join us to see what happens! We'll provide the popcorn; just bring a drink. Sign-up and parental supervision are required.

Make a sports bracelet

Make a bracelet with sports beads on Monday, July 11 at 1 p.m. All materials will be provided. Space is limited. This event is for ages 6 and up.

Live violin performance

As part of the Buck Hill/Skytop Music Festival, Violinist Jennifer Choi will perform at the Clymer Library on Tuesday, July 12 at 1 p.m. Explore the poetry within music and the emotions evoked through imaginative listening. We will create and invent our own poetry and music compositions alongside unique and on-the-spot violin improvisations. All ages welcome.

Check out the Junior Book Club

If you are in grades 4-6, join the Clymer Library's Junior Book Club. The next meeting takes place on Tuesday, July 12 at 6 p.m. For more information, contact Children's Technician Miss Kristi at kbelcher@clymerlibrary.org, or call the library at (570) 646-0826.

Pony rides & root beer floats

Join us for pony rides and yummy root beer floats on Wednesday, July 13 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. When you sign up, you will receive a bracelet that must be worn in order to get on the pony. Those who walk in are welcome to join in the fun, but will need to wait until all children with a bracelet get their pony ride first. Sign up and parental supervision are required. Ages 2-10 only. Rain date: Wed., July 20th from 12:30 to 2 p.m.

Sciencetellers

Join us on Thursday, July 14 at 1 p.m. as we make things fly, spin, move and soar while telling you a series of stories that will energize your summer. Throw on your lab coat and get ready

to experience the science of power and energy by telling stories using several hands-on experiments that will have the audience laughing, learning and having fun! Enjoy this spectacular adventure as we discover what makes us move and what powers the world. Ages 4 and up.

Ramp up your skills, young engineers

Put your engineer skills to the test! On Monday, July 18 at 12:30 p.m., design and create a ramp for marble jumps using newspaper, cardboard tubes and tape! All materials will be provided. Ages 7 and up.

Prove your sports trivia knowledge

Are you a sports fanatic? Join us on Tuesday, July 19 at 6 p.m. for some fun family competition. Ages 6 and up.

Take a walk in the park

Meet Miss Kristi at Blanche Price Park for some outdoor fun on Thursday, July 21 at 12:30 p.m. Please wear comfortable shoes and bring a water bottle. Ages 5 and up.

Make a sports sun catcher for summer

Create some colorful window art and decorate your house this summer! Come in on Saturday, July 23 at 11 a.m. Ages 5 and up.

Show your stripes, make a jersey

On Monday, July 25 at 1 p.m., create a poster board jersey to hang on your bedroom wall! All materials will be provided. Ages 6 and up.

Be a detective w/Scavenger Hunt (kids)

On Tuesday, July 26 at 6 p.m., follow clues around the library to find all items on the list. Teamwork is encouraged. Ages 5 and up.

Teens, use your deductive skills

On Tuesday, July 26 at 6 p.m., the game is on! Hunt for items on a list. Earn clues by solving puzzles and completing mini-challenges. Competitors will be rewarded with fun, food, and prizes. Open to ages 12-18.

Jump, jump, jump, jump around!

On Wednesday, July 27, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., meet Miss Kristi at Xtreme Jump Zone on Route 940 for two



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Make a soccer craft

Is soccer your favorite sport? Join us for a craft on Saturday, July 30 at 1 p.m. Ages 5 and up.

Fundraisers:

Clymer Library 2016

Fundraising House Tour & Brunch

This event has grown to become one of the most popular social events of the summer season. And it is all for a very worthy cause. The Clymer Library presents its 2016 Fundraising House Tour and Brunch on Wednesday, August 3.

This year's tour will feature unique and elegant homes in Pinecrest Lake Golf & Country Club and Lake Naomi Club, including the Timber Trails community. Many different themes of design and fashion will be seen, from rustic mountain themes to fashionable and informal residences. These homes will provide hundreds of decorating and renovation ideas for your next home décor project.

Spend a relaxing day with friends while touring these exceptional homes, each within a short distance of one another. Start the day by joining us for a Brunch Buffet at 10:30 a.m. at the Lake Naomi Club prior to the tour, which begin at noon. Tickets for the Brunch and Tour are \$38; for just the House Tour tickets are \$18 and tickets for just the Brunch are \$20.

Tickets and further details can be obtained at the Clymer Library Circulation Desk, 115 Firehouse Road, Pocono Pines, PA 18350, or phone 570-646-0826.

Flower Power Together: PMWC and Clymer Library

With both contributing so much to our community, the Pocono Mountain Women's Club and the Clymer Library have joined forces to raise funds through a Fall Flower Sale.

The two organizations have teamed with the renowned

Vesey's Seed Ltd. to offer the finest, best-quality bulbs and plants available from growers in Holland and the U.S. For each order of product shipped, the Women's Club and Library will equally earn 50% of the sales revenue. Proceeds from this fund raising effort will be used for programs of community support by both organizations.

An extensive selection of popular flowers is available, from tulips and crocuses, to hyacinths and buttercups. In addition, unique and hard to find bulbs are available, such as Iris Reticulata Joyce and Rock Garden Allium. Several varieties offered are deer resistant. Vesey's Seed Ltd. offers an unconditional, 100% money-back guarantee.

Catalogs and order forms are available at the Clymer Library, where orders may be placed. An easy-to-use website is also available at www.clymerlibrary.org/flowersale for convenient shopping. Orders must be placed by September 6. Shipments will begin in mid-September in time for ideal fall plantings.

The Pocono Mountain Women's Club is dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others, through programs of charity, educational and scientific purposes. For information, call PMWC president Ginny Day at 570-620-6858 or email at grexday@msn.com.

A Little Herb Magic

Dinner:

Presented by Liz Baver

Join us on Thursday, August 25 from 5:30-8 p.m. for a special dinner to enjoy the wonderful tastes of summer and to learn about how home-grown herbs can spice

up your recipes. From 5:30-6, we will have a meet and greet with light hors d'oeuvres and then from 6-7:40 we will have a summer dinner and talk about the herbs. The menu (in order) will consist of: hors d'oeuvres; gazpacho; tarragon chicken salad; pasta salad & vegetables; dessert. In addition, guests will receive an herb plant, menu with recipes.

Sign up is required by calling the library at (570) 646-0826, or stopping by the circulation desk. Admission for this fundraiser is \$20 per person. Reservations and payment required in advance by August 11. No refunds.

Clymer Library Seeks New Member for Board of Trustees

The trustees of the Clymer Library are seeking a resident of Tobyhanna or Tunkhannock Townships to become part of the library's board. In addition to being passionate about helping the Clymer Library continue to grow as a resource to the community, applicants should have experience in one or more of the following areas:

Finance/Accounting Expertise—Working with the library director, the board's finance committee is responsible for guiding the fiscal management, capital expenditures, and budget preparation for the library.

Marketing/Public Relations Experience—The marketing committee develops and executes all press releases, fundraising campaign communications, and contact with media outlets to promote the many programs and other library activities.

Non-profit Fundraising—As a 501(c)(3) non-profit

organization, the Clymer Library relies on community donations, grants, and various fundraising events that require creativity, planning, and coordination with library staff and volunteer management.

Facilities Management

The facilities committee assists the library director with day-to-day facilities issues involving contractors and vendors for building and grounds. The committee also assists in the planning of future renovations and refreshing projects.

If you or someone you know has relevant experience in any of these areas and is willing to join a working board, please contact Library Director Laura Laspee at (570) 646-0826 or by email at llaspee@clymerlibrary.org for more information on the application process.

Leave a Legacy at Clymer Library

With summer upon us, the Clymer Library Custom Paver Sponsor Program is now underway. The Paver Program gives library supporters the unique opportunity to permanently engrave their names, symbols, or logos into a sidewalk paver for installation in the entranceway of the library. Pavers can also be engraved in remembrance or in honor of a loved one.

The program gives donors the opportunity to show their support for the library for many years to come. All donations from the paver program directly benefit the library, which serves the residents of Tobyhanna and Tunkhannock Townships. To order a paver or to make a donation, visit www.polarengaving.com/clymerpavers;

stop at the library's circulation desk; or call (570) 646-0826. All donations are tax deductible.

Upcoming August Programs

Adults:

• **Tues., August 9 through October 12 at 6 p.m.—Genealogy with Patrick Quigley**

• **Thurs., August 11 at 6 p.m.—Lighting Throughout the Ages. Presented by Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm.**

• **Tues., August 16 at 6 p.m.—Lake Naomi Drama Club**

• **Thurs., August 18 at 6 p.m.—The Evolution of Music and Sound Reproduction**

• **Thurs., August 25 at 6 p.m.—Adult Coloring Program**

Kids:

• **Mondays, August 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 at 10:30 a.m.—Story Hour (ages 3-5)**

• **Thursdays, August 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 10:30 a.m.—Lap Sit (ages 2 & under)**

• **Tues., August 2 at 4 p.m.—Relay Races**

• **Tues., August 2 at 6 p.m.—Sleepytime Story Hour**

• **Thurs., August 4 at 12 p.m.—Lunch on the Lawn**

• **Sat., August 6 at 1 p.m.—Olympic Saturday**

• **Mon., August 8 at 1 p.m.—Keva Plank Challenge**

• **Mon., August 15 at 1 p.m.—Sports Bingo**

• **Wed., August 17 at 11 a.m.—Football Craft**

• **Thurs., August 18 at 1 p.m.—Summer Reading Closing Ice Cream Social**

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Mummy's Oasis quenches thirst for new adventure



Arthur Berry III, alongside Chuck the Camel, invites guests thirsting for more adventure to check out Camelbeach's newest attraction during Mummy's Oasis grand opening.



Surrounded by a few friends, Arthur Berry III (center) prepares for the big plunge in Camelbeach Mountain Waterpark's Mummy's Oasis.



Camera-shy and a bit water wary (for a minute) this mummy-daughter duo dove right into the new Camelbeach Mummy's Oasis.

by Jeanine Hofbauer

Eager to satisfy guests' appetite for new adventure, Camelbeach Mountain Waterpark opened its latest attraction, Mummy's Oasis, June 17 to a crowd of eager mummies and daddies. As a few tots tip-toed into the inaugural fountains, this interactive family water fun zone honed in on an appeal many caregivers crave—the ability to keep a watchful eye over play at poolside.

\$6 million invested into new rides over the past 12 years, Camelback Resort co-owner Arthur Berry III called this year's opening “another great opportunity to bring another great feature to Camelbeach.”

He invited little swimmers to join him in the first bucket drop, encouraging the group to cut loose on all 25 water

features including bubblers, geyser jets and more.

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BookHouse presents *Juggernaut String Band*

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Juggernaut String Band runs on "Power Folk"- swamp rock, bluegrass, Cajun, Irish and Mardi Gras music. Much of it has been written by Uncle Pete Taney for the many musicians he's worked with, following the musical road from major festivals here and abroad to humble mountain pubs, and adapting music for the handicapped.

Don't be surprised to see audience members join the band for an impromptu parade. Pete rocks the banjo, fiddle, harmonicas, and vocals with Cat Burbage on drum kit, rub board, bass, parade snare, and vocals, (sometimes all at once), Joy Taney on trombone, bass,



and vocals and Johnny Peppercraft on giant bass banjo and itty bitty sax.

Doors to the BookHouse will open at 7 p.m. Admission is free, but donations are gratefully accepted. Refreshments will be available for a small charge. Please plan to arrive prior to the scheduled starting time.

All Bookhouse programs take place in the Edinger Community Room of the Hughes Building, Eastern Monroe Public Library, located at 1002 North 9th Street, Stroudsburg.

For more BookHouse information, please call Linae Cintron at 570-421-0800 x312 or visit www.monroep.org.

Motorcycle Ride to benefit animals

On July 17, a motorcycle ride leaves from Pocono Mountain Harley Davidson, 4300 Manor Drive, Stroudsburg. Registration is from 9-10 a.m., kickstands go up at 10:15 a.m.

The ride ends at the American Legion Pavilion, 5th Street, East Stroudsburg.

Enjoy the party from 1-6 p.m. with bands, food, raffles, drinks, and vendors. The ride and party will take place rain or shine. It is open to the pub-

lic, bikers, and non-bikers.

Entry/raffle tickets are \$20 per person. Grand prize is \$2,500—one \$1,000 winner, one \$500 winner, two \$250 winners, and five \$100 winners.

This year's ride benefits EPAA, Eastern Pennsylvania Animal Alliance, www.epaaonline.com, low cost spay/neuter clinic based in Brodheadsville.

For more information, visit www.PoconoHog.org.

Antique show and sale set

The 58th Annual Antique Show & Sale will take place on July 22 and 23 at Mountainhome United Methodist Church. The event is in the heart of the Poconos, Junction Routes 390 & 191, Mountainhome, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Over 20 dealers will be offering a wide array of antiques and collectibles. Enjoy the day looking for that special treasure for your home.

Donation is \$4.

The Coffee Shop is offering homemade lunches and pies.

On Saturday at 1:30 p.m., enjoy a quilting demonstration, which will illustrate the new trends in quilting.

On Friday at 7 p.m., there will be an Ice Cream Social and live entertainment by the Trinity Centennial Band.

For more information, call Cathy at 570-595-7046.

Country Jam at the American Legion

American Legion Post 413, Old Route 940 in Pocono Lake, will host a Country Jam on July 23 from 7-11 p.m.

The jam will feature the incredible sound of the Harlan Tucker Band. The public is

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For tickets call Barbara 570-242-5063 or the Post Home at 570-646-6010. Tickets are \$10. Food will be available for purchase.



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Free Pocono Mountain Summer Concert Series

The 2016 Free Pocono Mountain Summer Concert Series at Faith Lutheran Church, Blakeslee, is proud to present *Kelly Planer and the Perks* as they bring their multi-talented show to the Pocono Plateau on July 24 at 7 p.m.

Bluegrass barely scratches the surface of the music they perform. Alt-bluegrass, American Roots Music comes

closer, yet they prefer to keep their options open. With Dave Coin's sly banjo, Kelly's vocals and Dave Imhof's solid bass, you never know what the Perks will come up with next. From the *Beatles* and *Nirvana* to traditional bluegrass, every *Perks* show is full of unmistakable style and family friendly fun.

Don't miss the remaining 2016 Pocono Mountain

Free Summer Concerts with mountain music provided by *Wayfarers and Company* on August 28 at 7 p.m., and the gospel sounds of Donna Godshall on September 11 at 7 p.m.

The Sunday evening shows are held rain or shine in the church sanctuary at 7 p.m. The free general admission performances are supported through sponsorships and

free will offerings. The church wishes to thank their concert series patrons and sponsors for their generous support this season, and invite area musicians to contact them for 2017 performance opportunities.

Faith Lutheran Church is located at 550 Route 940 Blakeslee PA, one mile east of Blakeslee Corner and six miles west of Pocono Pines

next to Matirko Hardware. If using your gps, use the address 550 Route 940 Pocono Lake, PA. The venue is air conditioned, and accessible to persons with disabilities. For more information about our concert series, call 570-646-0309 or visit faithlutheranblakeslee.org. Like them on Facebook at Faith Lutheran Church Blakeslee PA.

Words and Film presents "Concussion"

Join the Eastern Monroe Public Library on August 7 at 2 p.m. for a viewing of the film "Concussion." Filmmaker Peter Landesman (Parkland) wrote and directed this

sports-themed drama based on Jeanne Marie Laskas' GQ article "Game Brain," about the potentially horrific cost of playing football.

Pittsburgh-based neuropathologist Dr. Bennet Omalu (Will Smith) discovers a degenerative brain disease now known as CTE in the autopsies of several deceased

pro-football players, but after presenting his research, he finds himself under fire from the NFL. Gugu Mbatha-Raw, Luke Wilson, Alec Baldwin, Bitsie Tulloch, and Albert Brooks co-star. Author: Tom Ciampoli.

Admission is free. Please note this film is rated PG-13.

The Eastern Monroe Public Library is located at 1002 North 9th Street, Stroudsburg. For further information on this event, call 570-421-0800x317 or see www.monroepl.org.

MetroCast Launches 23 New High Definition Channels

MetroCast Communications, the video, internet and phone provider located in Berwick, has added 23 new High Definition (HD) channels to its video lineup.

The new HD channels are: BBC America HD, Chiller HD, Discovery Life HD, Disney Junior HD, DIY HD, ESPNU HD, Esquire HD, Fox Business News HD, Fox Sports 2 HD, FX Movie Channel HD, Hallmark HD, Hallmark Movies & Mysteries HD, HLN HD, IFC HD, INSP HD, Investigation Discovery HD, Movie-

Plex HD, Nat Geo Wild HD, OWN HD, Sprout HD, TCM HD, Travel Channel HD, and truTV HD.

"We are pleased to bring this latest enhancement to our customers because we know more customers than ever enjoy video programming in High Definition format," said MetroCast General Manager Tom Carey. There has been a rapid increase in the number of households with High Definition televisions, increasing from 34 percent of all TV sets in 2010 to

79 percent this year, according to Leichtman Research Group's 13th annual survey of U.S. TV usage.

With the new channel additions, MetroCast now offers more than 300 channel options in various packages on its lineup. For a list of available networks and channel positions, see

MetroCast also has increased its "TV Everywhere" (TVE) offering to more than 90 channels. TVE, a free service for MetroCast video customers, allows users to view content from their favorite video channels on computer, laptop, tablet, smartphone and other mobile devices, including live streaming of most news channels.

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Calendar of Events

Listings in the Calendar are free. E-mail to journalnews@pa.metrocast.net. To provide prices and additional details, consider placing a display ad. Prices start at \$10 for charitable organization. Call 570-443-9131 xt302.

Saturday, July 9—Music in the Valley, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm, 570-992-6161

Sunday, July 10—Live Reptile & Amphibians, 7-8:30 p.m., Hauser Nature Center, The Nature Conservancy, Long Pond, 570-643-7922 xt310

Thursday, July 14—HATT presentation In the Shadow of History, the Story of John Summerfield Staples, 5:30 p.m., Clymer Library

Saturday, July 16—Opening Reception for Nature's Lens, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center, 570-629-3061, www.mcconservation.org

Saturday, July 16—Coolbaugh Township Historical Association annual luncheon, noon, Velma's Restaurant, Cresco, 570-894-4207

Saturday & Sunday, July 16 & 17—Poconos Wurst Festival, Shawnee Mountain Ski Area, www.shawneemt.com

Sunday, July 17—Life Under a Log, 10 a.m., Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center, 570-629-3061, www.mcconservation.org

Monday, July 18—Marvelous Microinvertebrates (Bugs!) in the Lehigh River, 6 p.m., Wincek Residence, 610 Old River Road, Thornhurst, 570-472-3274

Monday, July 18—Senior Expo, hosted by Sen. Mario Scavello, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Swiftwater Elementary Center, 570-620-4326

Saturday, July 23—100 Women in White, 2-6 p.m., Mt. Pocono United Methodist Church, 570-243-8108

Friday & Saturday, August 5 & 6—Homecoming Bazaar, 5 p.m.-?, Our Lady of Victory Church, Tannersville, 570-629-4572

Saturday, August 13—Coolbaugh Township Historical

Association SummerFest and Art Show Exhibition, Bicentennial Museum, Tobyhanna

Saturday, August 13—Pocono Wing Festival, to benefit Monroe County Meals on Wheels, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Pocono Raceway, www.poconoraceway.com/wingfest

Saturday & Sunday, August 13 & 14—Sweet Corn & BBQ Festival, Shawnee Mountain Ski Area, www.shawneemt.com

Saturday & Sunday, September 3 & 4—Pocono Garlic Festival, Shawnee Mountain Ski Area, www.shawneemt.com

Sunday, September 18—Dave Fleetwood Memorial Trail Run/Walk, 9 a.m., West End Regional Park

Sunday, September 25—Colors of the Season New Fashion Show & Luncheon, sponsored by Western Pocono Lioness Club, Hideawayhills Country Club, Kresgeville, 610-681-8138

Saturday & Sunday, October 8 & 9—Autumn Timber Festival, Shawnee Mountain Ski Area, www.shawneemt.com

Saturday & Sunday, October 15 & 16—Pocono Food Truck & Art Festival, Shawnee Mountain Ski Area, www.shawneemt.com

Motorcycle Ride & Charity Fundraiser to benefit Camp Papillon Animal Shelter

On Saturday, July 23, the inaugural *Bone to Ride* & Charity Fundraiser will take place. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Camp Papillon Animal Shelter. This event is sponsored by Pocono Mountain

Harley Davidson located in Snydersville.

Camp Papillon Animal Shelter, located across the street from Pocono Mountain Harley Davidson at 128 Brainerd Lane is the largest no-kill animal shelter in Monroe County. This beautiful 33-acre property is home to nearly 100 animals daily including over 60 dogs and over 35 cats on site. The animals are housed in a peaceful camp setting in 5 of the original buildings on this pond & streamside property. Walking trails, free roaming 5 room Cat Cottage and the

Grey Muzzle Cottage are just a few special qualities Camp Papillon offers to its homeless animal guests while staying at the camp. Camp Papillon, originally a rescue-based operation, has successfully saved over 9,000 animals since 2007. Camp is open daily from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The motorcycle ride registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. at Pocono Mountain Harley Davidson, Manor Drive, Stroudsburg. A light breakfast will be available during this time, followed by kickstands up at noon.

The escorted ride will travel through the Pocono Mountain countryside, ending at Camp Papillon Animal Shelter, with last bike in at 2:30 p.m. The fundraiser featuring BBQ, 50/50 drawings, Tricky Tray and live music, along with opportunity to meet the adoptable animals, follows the ride. First 50/50 will be awarded after the first band's set, about 3:30 p.m. Entry fees for the Charity Ride are \$25 for drivers and \$10 for passengers,

which includes entry to the after-event. Walk-in event only participants welcome for \$10 each.

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Free Summer Concert Series

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Adam blends acoustic guitar playing with raw emotion. Christina is a dynamic folk/

rock soloist singing from her heart and soul.

The show will include folk, rock, country, popular contemporary, covers, and original songs.

The show starts at 6 p.m. Everyone will receive a free ice cream.

Readers—want your organization's activities featured in these pages? Send news tips, press releases and photos to the editor at journalruth@pa.metrocast.net, or call 570-443-9131 xt304.

Seth's Sightings

by Seth Isenberg

The week before the Fourth of July is our busiest of the year. Our small team completed seven newspapers. Friday was our busiest, getting the *Journal of the Pocono Plateau* delivered, picking up a print job in the morning, mailing and distributing both, and then as the day wrapped up, going to back pick up another print job and delivering that as night fell. When we did make it home, we had barely the energy to crawl into bed.

On Saturday I got some newspaper work out of the way early so that I could take Clara and Ruth to a play at the PA Shakespeare Festival. This time we were seeing *Julius Caesar* in the more intimate Schubert

theater. Our seats were almost within arm's reach of the performance stage, and we could see right into the eyes of the actors. The play, while a tragedy, is a good strong one featuring many familiar and still quoted Shakespeare lines. It is well acted. There are some tickets to be had by calling ahead. Next door, *West Side Story* was wrapping up its run to standing room only crowds (after a week off, *The Taming of the Shrew* begins its three-week run).

Sunday we planned a New Jersey run to enjoy the company of my Uncle Slater. On our way in on Route 46, we checked out New Jersey produce, seeing it's too soon for most any-

thing but blueberries. We then stopped to buy hot dogs at Hot Dog Johnny's — a roadside landmark, which was busy with a mix of regulars, hot-rodders, motorcyclists, families with kids to senior citizens. After that, we tanked up on gasoline at \$1.95.9 before joining Slater for some shopping. We went out to dinner on Independence Day at a halal Turkish restaurant — which was quite wonderful.

On our way home that evening, we passed by a number of fireworks displays while driving Interstate 80 including one off Route 115 in Blakeslee that was small but very nice. The Bada Boom store was busy keeping up with everyone wanting fire-

works for the 4th — staying open late.

We treated the 4th of July Monday as a holiday, spending the afternoon at Knoebels. While driving there, we saw that in some fields, the planted corn looked weeks behind previous years. At a stop at a farm stand along the way, we bought fresh-picked raspberries and some fava beans. The stand's matriarch assured us that there should be local corn soon. As we got closer to the park, the corn was knee high. We also sighted a wheat harvest underway in a field beside the back road that we take to the Knoebels parking lot. It was their official 90th anniversary parade

and celebration day. We stayed three hours to enjoy a few rides, see the parade and have lunch.

No sightings of note — except a few bucks getting ready to shed the fuzz from already impressive antlers.

Coming up this weekend is the locally-famous St. Patrick's Parish Festival in White Haven. Also all this weekend is the Briggs Farm Blues Festival further west. Ruth and I will be attending both. Our Briggs plans will have us enjoying the evenings and the great music. During the day on Saturday is Tobyhanna Township Community Day featuring another chance to enjoy a professional fireworks display.

Terrific Entertainment Line-up at Carbon County Fair

The Carbon County Fair will be held from August 8 to 13 at 3285 Little Gap Rd, Palmerton. Hours are 3-11 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 12 noon-11 p.m. on Saturday.

Great food, rides, agricultural displays, chain saw carvings, farmer for a day, musical entertainment, and more. General admission \$5/person for everyone 6 years and older. Exciting musical line up with entertainment included with general admission.

The following is a day by day entertainment schedule:

Monday

The Large Flowerheads will perform at 5, 7, & 9 p.m. Opening Ceremony & Fair Queen

Crowning will take place at 6 p.m. *Beautiful Oblivion* will perform on the Midway Stage at 6 & 8 p.m. DJ Chicken Nugget (Country Line Dancing) will have lessons from 7-8 p.m. & dancing from 8-9:45 p.m. near the arena.

A spectacular fireworks display will take place at 10 p.m. With general admission, there is no charge for seating in arena during fireworks.

Tuesday

DJ "The Doctor" Layne Roberts will perform at 4:30 p.m. *Rick K & The Allnighters* will perform at 7 & 9 p.m. Glenn Miller One Man Band will perform on the Midway Stage at 6 and 8 p.m.

Garden Tractor Pull will take place in the small arena at 6 p.m. A Children's Day Drawing, including bicycle giveaway, will take place at 6:45 p.m. at the Midway stage.

Wednesday

The Rehrig Brothers will have shows at 6 & 8 p.m., while *Wagstaff & Company* will perform at 6 and 8 p.m. on the Midway Stage.

Senior Citizens Day with special drawing at 8 p.m., Demo Derby including junk car race, special event TBA and a youth derby ages 12-15 at 7 p.m.

Thursday

Two Hits & A Miss will perform at 5 p.m. *The O'Donnells*, direct from Nashville, will perform at

7 & 9 p.m. *The Beautiful Oblivion* will perform on the Midway Stage at 6 and 8 p.m.

Demo Derby with kids power cars, full size cars, and compact cars at 7 p.m., Fun games at 5:30 p.m. in the Arena, and a Children's Pedal Tractor Pull.

Friday

DJ "The Doctor" will perform at 4:30 p.m., and *Flamin' Dick & The Hot Rods* at 7 and 9 p.m. The Magic of "Presto Pete & Incredible Chris" will take place at 6 and 8 p.m. on the Midway Stage.

Tuff Truck Event at 7 p.m.

Saturday

Country Spectacular with *The Hawks, Crazy Hearts, Brooke Unger & The Cramer Brothers* is beginning at 2 p.m., followed by an outrageous Jam Session at 9:30 p.m., and The Magic of "Presto Pete & Incredible Chris" at 6 & 8 p.m. (Midway stage).

Antique field stock tractor-pull in the small arena at 4 p.m.

Additional fee of \$6 (unless specified otherwise in fair brochure) for most arena events for everyone 6 years and older. Winner must be present to win

for Children's and Sr. Citizens Day drawings.

Other events include farmer for a day (5-9 p.m.), hit & miss engines, Smokey Bear (Tuesday only) & special characters/clowns along the midway.

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Congregation B'nai Harim hosts 5th annual golf outing and dinner

A great day of golf and a wonderful dinner for you and your friends awaits at the 5th annual Golf Outing and Dinner, to be held on August 22 at Pine Crest Lake Golf and Country Club. This event has grown to be one of the most fun golf events of each season.

The day will start at 11 a.m. with a continental breakfast, warm up, and a noon shot gun start. There will be awards for longest drive for men and women and closest to the pin for men and women, as well as many others.

Afterwards, a wonderful Awards Dinner complete with prizes, raffles, and silent

auctions will complete a fun day. Dinner will include appetizers at 5 p.m. with a cash bar, followed by a full course dinner with 5 choices for main course.

Pine Crest Lake Golf and Country Club is located in Pocono Pines, just off Sullivan Road and Pocono Crest Road near Route 940. The proceeds from this event will be used to benefit B'nai Harim and the community it serves and supports.

Cost for this outing and dinner will be Early Bird, before August 12, \$115; after August 12, \$125; dinner only, \$ 50 per person.

To sign up please send your check, including your name,

phone number, dinner choice, and e-mail address along with your foursome. If you sign up as a single, the golf pro will match you up.

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Osprey and peregrine falcons topic of Game Commission program

Two of Pennsylvania's most charismatic birds of prey will be subjects of a dual educational program presented by the Pennsylvania Game Commission.

Northeast Region Education and Information Supervisor William Williams and Wildlife Biologist Kevin Wener will be providing information on these two raptor species that suffered catastrophic population declines in Pennsylvania. Both are now on the road to recovery.

"Osprey and peregrine falcon populations in Pennsylvania were decimated by

the use of DDT decades ago and both remain on the state threatened and endangered list," explained Williams. "Their biology and behavior, population declines, reintroduction efforts, ongoing recovery, and current management will be discussed."

This program will be held Wednesday, August 10, at 7 p.m. at the Northeast Region Office in Dallas. The Game Commission Northeast Region Office is located at 3917 Memorial Hwy. in Dallas. The office phone number is 570-675-1143. No reservations are required.



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Over \$5 Million in grant funding for district projects

State Sen. John Blake (D-Lackawanna/Luzerne/Monroe) announced more than \$5 million in state grant funding for projects throughout the 22nd Senatorial District.

The funding, approved at a meeting of the Commonwealth

Financing Authority, includes over \$3.3 million in grants to Lackawanna County projects in the form Local Share Account funding; CFA Multimodal Transportation Fund grants; and Act 13 funding.

"Each of these grants is a very important state invest-

ment into our communities and regional economy that will create jobs, enhance the quality of life and improve public safety," Blake said. "Through gaming revenues, an impact fee on drilling and our Act 89 reforms, we have been able to invest hundreds

of millions of dollars into our communities and make positive, long-term impacts across the Commonwealth."

The majority of the grants approved were through the Monroe County Local Share Account. Blake noted that LSA funds may be used

for economic development, community development and public interest projects in Monroe County and its contiguous counties, which include Carbon, Lackawanna, Northampton, Pike, and Wayne.

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- The Pocono Mountains Municipal Airport Author-

ity received \$400,000 for the construction of two new buildings and the demolition of a third at the facility in Coolbaugh Township.

- Arrowhead Sewer Company received \$240,000 to complete a low-pressure sewer rehabilitation project in Coolbaugh Township.

- The PA Northeast Regional Railroad Authority received \$90,000 for rehabilitation of a railroad trestle at the Scranton Access Control Point at Tobyhanna Army Depot.
- Pocono Mountain Regional Emergency Medical Services received \$30,000 to purchase two automated chest compression devices.

- Price Township received \$20,000 for purchase and installation of an emergency backup generator for the township municipal building.
- Barrett Township Volunteer Fire Company received \$20,000 for the purchase of a utility terrain vehicle, fire-lite transport and a carry-on trailer.

Math honors

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He is a senior in the College of Arts and Sciences.

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- Type of duck
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- *Type of race in Cusack's "Better Off Dead"
- Closes in on
- *Daniel LaRusso's martial art
- *Marty McFly's destination
- Utmost degree
- Not final or absolute
- Gourmet mushroom
- Domesticated ox
- *Type of bomb in "Fat Man and Little Boy"
- Like dental surgery
- U, on the road
- Phil Collins' "_____ Be in My Heart"
- Alliance acronym
- Misbehave
- Guilty, e.g.
- Consumed
- Spiral-horned antelope
- Bit of slander
- **Missing in Action" star Chuck
- Count on

DOWN

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- Departed
- Tree fluid
- *Prince's "_____ Rain"
- *He had an epic day off
- Cone shaped dwelling
- Time period
- *Johnny 5 of "Short Circuit"
- Like yesterday's meal?
- Opposite of don'ts
- Sheep-like
- Get the picture
- Thus far
- Chunk of iceberg?
- Resting place
- Spill the beans
- Diva's delivery
- "Live and _____"
- Cheap substitution
- Bud holder
- *One of Indiana Jones' quests
- **"The Terminator" genre
- In _____ of
- Month before Nisan
- Withered
- Store posting, for short
- Something that exists
- Sorority letter
- "This land is your land..."

- Take under one's wing
- *Vengeful barbarian
- Inspiration for poets and musicians
- _____ families
- *John Candy's slacker uncle character
- "My bad!"
- Head of mosque
- Intestinal obstruction

- *Head of the Griswolds
- Displeasure on one's face
- Titian's Venus of Urbino
- Sign of life
- "Peanuts" character
- Sun in Mexico
- Peter of Peter, Paul and Mary
- Clingy one
- Establish validity
- Christmas par-

- tridge's perch
- "_____ no good"
- Smell badly
- *Like the times at "Ridgemoor High"
- What do you do on eBay?
- **"Ghostbusters," but not the movie
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Police Beat by Seth Isenberg

This was a very busy week around the Pocono Plateau, with area police agencies submitting a thick sheaf of reports.

During an argument at a Silver Springs Rd., Kunkletown home at 7:38 p.m. on 6-17, a 27 y/o Lehigh-area man fired a gun. PA State Police – Lehigh arrived and learned the gun had been stolen, and the man had no gun license – so firearms violations and harassment charges followed.

A Saylorsburg, Ross Twp. couple got to fighting just after 10 a.m. on 7-1, and the 49 y/o woman stabbed her 55 y/o husband with a pocketknife after he grabbed and hurt her. PSP-L responded and arrested both, her for aggravated assault, and him for simple assault.

PSP-L responded to a Route 115, Ross Twp. home where a 49 y/o Saylorsburg woman had gotten shot in the foot after her .22 rifle fell off the table at 5:06 a.m. on 7-2.

Police were called to Hollyberry Lane after two neighbors' dogs got into a fight at 9:23 a.m. on 6-28. One dog had a minor injury. The owner of the dog that caused the fight will be cited for a dog law violation. PSP-L is also investigating an animal cruelty complaint at a home in El Do Lake, Polk Twp. on 7-2.

A Lehigh area man arrived at a 57 Road, Kunkletown property just before midnight on 7-5, PSP-L. There were also three reports of fights / fighting.

PSP investigated a report of indecent assault on children, 6-19.

There were nine reports of criminal mischief/ vandalisms over the last month in the PSP-L coverage area.

Stealin'

At 3:42 a.m. on July 4, two men were spotted outside Billy's Diner in Tannersville after hours. As Pocono Township Police approached, the pair ran away. PA State Police and Stroud Area Regional Police assisted Pocono Twp. Police in

tracking the pair down – they were found walking along Interstate 80 and arrested. Andrew Paden, 42, and Sanford Williams, 75, both of Newark, NJ, were arrested – charged with burglarizing The Tobacco Stop in Tannersville, and attempting to do the same at Billy's. They are charged with burglary, criminal conspiracy, criminal trespass, possessing instruments of crime, and more. Both were placed in the Monroe county jail to await a preliminary hearing.

At 10 a.m. on 7-1, a 54 y/o Blakeslee area man tried to force his way into a home in the 2500 block of Allegheny Ave. in Sierra View, Tunkhannock Twp. Video surveillance showed that he had drawn a pistol, and tried to kick in the rear sliding glass door. An alert was put out for the man, and he was arrested by New Jersey Port Authority Police at Newark Airport. Burglary charges are filed, PSP-Fern Ridge.

Of seven other reports from the past two weeks, burglaries

were reported in Saylorsburg, Kunkletown, Polk, and a couple near Lehigh.

Overnight 6-23 to 24, someone stole the tailgate off a '12 Dodge Ram pickup truck while it was parked at Mavis Tire in Brodheadsville, PSP-F.

Discovered 6-20, that between 5-20 and this date, someone stole an air conditioner from an unoccupied home in the 4100 block of Greenwood Dr. in Kunkletown, PSP-L.

A known 43 y/o Wind Gap woman is a suspect in the theft of a 100 oz. brick of silver from an Eldred Twp. home, PSP-L.

Discovered 6-3, that someone had stolen a gun from a Deer Foot Lane, Penn Forest Twp. home between late April and this date, PSP-F.

PSP is investigating various identity theft and fraud incidents affecting area people including unknown people

setting up bank accounts in locals' names, someone using the victim's e-Bay account to buy things, a 29 y/o woman forged the signature of a 50 y/o man in order to buy a tanning bed for her business (6-29), etc.

There was also a thief who used fraudulent credit cards to buy cartons of cigarettes over several visits from a Bowmanstown convenience store in May and June, PSP-L.

Keeping the Rubber Side Down ...

Christine Singer of Kunkletown died in a car crash off Route 209 in Brodheadsville, near Bond Lane, that happened about 4:30 p.m. on 6-15. PSP-F responded. Monroe County Coroner Robert Allen's office will conduct a forensic autopsy to determine cause of death.

PSP-L responded to a report of a car rubber side up on

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Police Beat...

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Long Mtn. Road in Polk Twp. at 1 p.m. on 6-17. The 18 y/o driver and her two passengers needed a ride to the hospital. The driver was ticketed for speeding.

A crash of an ATV driven by a 15 y/o, with a 15 y/o rider, off Mountain View Drive in southern Penn Forest Twp. at 9:38

a.m. on 6-30 sent one of the pair to the hospital. Neither rider was wearing a helmet, PSP-L.

PSP-L responded to a crash of a motorcyclist with a deer on Goodtimes Lane in Eldred Twp. at 8:30 p.m. on 7-1. The cyclist was taken to Pocono Medical Center by West End EMS.

There were several other crashes this week, two rear-enders and a handful of drivers losing control on local

roads. Only one with injuries.

The Pocono Plateau is NOT HIGH Enough for some

PSP-L lists 17 DUI arrests in the last two weeks, and PSP-F two (both in Tunkhannock Twp.). At one DUI stop, the driver who was out with her two children in her car on 7-3 was arrested for DUI, found to have drugs, and also found to be wanted on a felony warrant. There was also a

response to a crash where the driver was found to be DUI.

A Sobriety Checkpoint by PSP-L from 9 p.m. on 7-2 to 3 a.m. on 7-3 set up on Route 903 in Penn Forest Twp. just south of Bear Creek Lakes arrested five drivers for DUI, gave Field Sobriety Tests to

seven more – who passed, caught three people for underage drinking, and arrested five others for misdemeanors. One wanted person was caught. One driver was arrested for drug possession. Troopers also issued 30 tickets.

Ranges to close for maintenance

Pennsylvania Game Commission Northeast Region Director Dan Figured has announced that annual state game lands shooting range maintenance and repairs are scheduled to commence throughout the northeast region. "These public shooting ranges receive significant pressure," said Figured "Conducting annual maintenance

and repairs is vital to ensure their continued safe operation."

When maintenance and repairs are scheduled for a particular shooting range, notification of range closure will be posted on the PA Game Commission website at www.pgc.pa.gov under Public Shooting Ranges.

Inducted into international honor society of Social Sciences

Local residents were among The University of Scranton students inducted into Pi Gamma Mu, the international honor society in social science. Melissa Lopez of Tobyhanna is a junior majoring in psychology, and Joseph Princetta of Tobyhanna is a senior majoring in international studies.

For induction into the honor society, students must be of junior academic standing, maintain an overall grade point average of 3.4 or higher, and have completed at least 21 credits in the disciplines of economics, human services, psychology, sociology, political science, or history.

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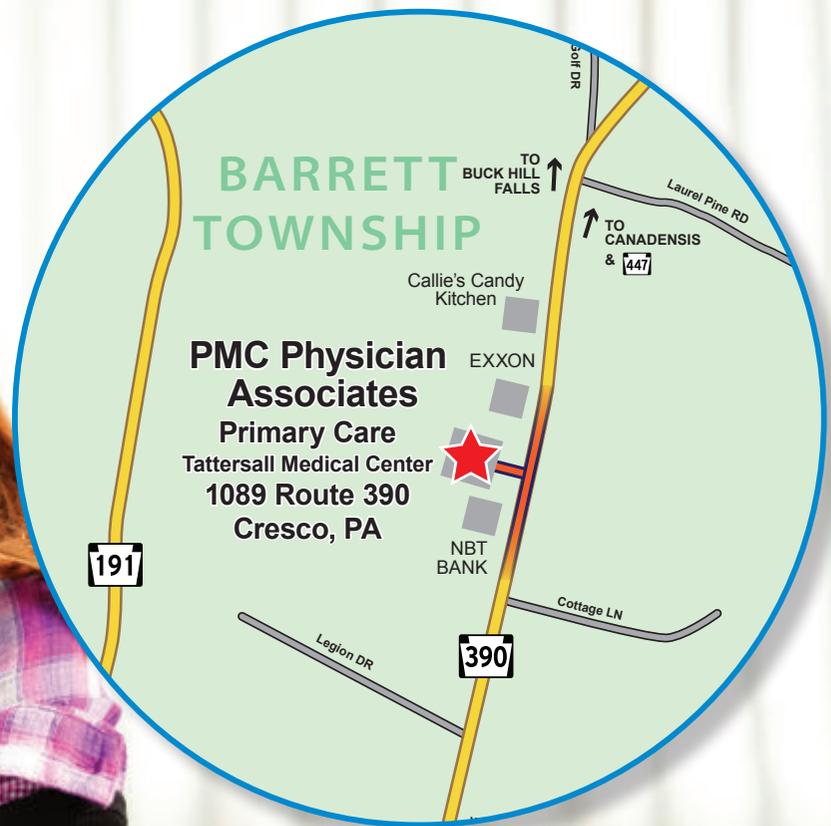
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