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PMC's Blakeslee facility near completion



Pocono Medical Center welcomes everyone to join them at the grand opening of the Blakeslee Healthcare Center on October 12 at 11 a.m. at 5683 Route 115.

This will be Pocono Medical Center's fourth healthcare center in addition to its Bartonsville, Brodheadsville,

and Tobyhanna locations, offering convenient access to comprehensive care throughout the region. The Blakeslee Healthcare Center will provide robust services including primary care Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., orthopedics, and imaging services.

"Pocono Medical Center has recognized the tremendous need for access to healthcare in the Blakeslee area and has subsequently deliv-

ered its response in the form of our new Blakeslee Healthcare Center," said Geoffrey M. Roche, Director of Public and Government Affairs of Pocono

Medical Center. "It is important that we complement our high-quality services with expert physicians and providers,

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Harvest Festival sets new roots up the road

by Jeanine Hofbauer

"Honestly, I can't wait to take my kids to this year's festival," smiled Mayor Fred Courtright following Mount Pocono's September 6 meeting. Prepared for another spectacular turnout from 9 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, September 24, the popular Harvest Festival's new location will be about a mile up the road.

Previously held along the municipality's major thoroughfare, this year they're taking things in a new direction—north on Route 611, to a safer, larger location on Pocono Mountain Volunteer Fire Company carnival grounds.

The mayor explains, "The Festival can now do things that it was constrained from doing previously for space and layout reasons while providing easier access and parking."

That center of congestion had the council meeting focused on continuing road reviews with council member Jeff Woehrle reporting PennDOT

will be providing two speed radar devices on Route 611. It was agreed to delay buying the borough's own portable devices costing \$6,098 until after seeing how the PennDOT ones do. "It's not going to be a problem one thing can solve," said Courtright.

Council approved purchase through Co-Stars of a Swenson Model STCC Cross Conveyor from E.M. Kutz to discharge lines of gravel for paving, considering it more efficient than dumping then picking up with a backhoe

to spread the material, calling the \$7,529 investment a "much faster" method.

Bills totaling \$1,184,742.69 were approved for payment.

Present were council members Woehrle, Karl Davis, Mike Oser, Fran O'Boyle, Claudette Williams and Donna Casole, along with solicitor Jim Fareri, Mayor Courtright, secretary Lori Noonan and approximately 10 residents.

Mount Pocono's next meeting is 7 p.m. Monday, October 3 at Municipal Offices on Route 611 in the Borough.

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FUNdraising for the Force

by **Jeanine Hofbauer**

Celebrating another success, Pocono Mountain Regional Police Foundation spent the August 29 golf fundraiser at Pinecrest Lake Golf and Country Club surrounded by a sea of support. With more than \$25,000 raised and ready to supply safety equipment for

officers, crime prevention programs and Pocono Mountain Regional Police specialized units including K9, Bike and SWAT, the annual effort illustrated what collective community involvement is all about.

From businesses and the media taking part in donating funds as sponsors, in-

kind support and news for increased awareness, to the day's volunteers tending to nearly 100 golfers participating in the signup that reached capacity within weeks, enthusiasm continues to grow for the organization started just over six years ago.

"We're truly impressed by



"Start Your Engines" longtime PD supporter Richard Nero shouts sending nearby golfers on their way.

Tobyhanna Township appoints manager

After a comprehensive search the Tobyhanna Township Board of Supervisors has announced the appointment of John J. Jablowski, Jr, MPA to serve as Township Manager effective October 1. Jablowski has a career in Pennsylvania government and community development that spans over 25 years.

He holds a Master's Degree in Public Administration with a concentration in Government and Organizational Management from Marywood University along with a Bachelor of



Arts in Political Science and a minor in Pennsylvania Studies

from Penn State University.

With an extensive background in Pennsylvania local government, Jablowski has served as District Director to the Majority Policy Chair of the PA House of Representatives, Assistant to US Congressman Paul Kanjorski, Mayor of Ashley Borough and Councilman in Wilkes-Barre Township.

During his career, Jablowski has managed in excess of \$2 billion in community development and public finance transactions and municipal invest-

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the amount of support received," said PMRPF president John Lamberton, adding "It's through events such as this that we are able to raise money for vital programs benefiting both the force and the community it serves and protects."

With department units reliant upon foundation funding to exist, grant writing and raising funds continues throughout the year. These are op-

portunities to meet officers and spend some time learning about what they do while enjoying activities—all for a good cause.

One upcoming event is a September 25 "Support Your Local SWAT" event from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Walmart's Mount Pocono parking area. Call 895-2400 for details and updates if there's a need to switch to October 1 as a rain date.



I can't seem to find the right words to express our gratitude to the sponsors and volunteers for **Woof-Fest 2016**. Without them, this annual would not have raised over \$5,000 to benefit the Monroe Animal League. Axl and I appreciate everything you did and do to help the animal who need us most!

Thank you, from the bottom of my heart.

Chris Warriner & Axl

on behalf of the staff at Camp KCS and the Monroe Animal League

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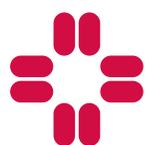
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Area Funerals

Sean Patrick Aris

Sean Patrick Aris, 25, of Pocono Pines, died Monday, September 5, 2016, from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident.

Born in East Stroudsburg, he was a son of James and Donna (Evans) Aris of Pensacola, Florida.

Sean was a graduate of Pocono Mountain West High School, where he was also a star member of its wrestling team.

He is also survived by his siblings, Kimberly Mooney and her husband, Patrick, of East Durham, New York; Donna Almdovar and her husband, Toivo, of Effort; James Zimmerman and his wife, Christine, of Levittown, New York; Jaime Shields and her husband, Anthony, of Scranton; Nicole Linsky of Clifton, New Jersey; Dana Aris and her boyfriend, Dylan Lach, of Scranton; and Ryan Aris of Mount Pocono; and 13 nieces and nephews.

A blessing service was held September 9 at Bolock Funeral Home, 6148 Paradise Valley Road, Cresco.

Private cremation is entrusted to Bolock Funeral Home Crematory.

Martin Leo Bellone

Martin Leo Bellone, 76, of Pocono Pines, died Sunday, September 4, 2016, at Pocono Medical Center in East Stroudsburg. He was the husband of Patricia (Ellcott) Bellone.

Born in Brooklyn, New York, he was a son of the late Martin and Aune (Himmanen) Bellone.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force.

He is also survived by his daughters: Patricia Bellone, Christine Bellone and her companion, James Tartamella, and Michelle Aragona and her husband, Robert; a sister, Patricia Pates; and three grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a sister, Dorothy Easop and a brother, Garrett Bellone.

Funeral services were held September 10, at St. Patrick's RC Church, Brooklyn, New York.

Private cremation has been entrusted to Bolock Funeral Home Crematory.

Congregation B'nai Harim announces High Holiday New Year schedule

As the season begins to change and summer is turning to fall, the Jewish Community will start the New Year and work up to the Day of Atonement followed by seasonal celebrations of the harvest and the coming of the Torah.

Congregation B'nai Harim will have a full schedule of services for all of the holidays, beginning with Saturday, September 24, when a dessert and Havdalah will precede Selichot services at 7 p.m.

Rosh Hashanah (new year) will begin on Sunday, October 2 at 7:30 p.m. and will continue on Monday, October 3 at 10:15 a.m. Following ser-

vices a Tashlich (or casting away of the "bad deeds") will take place at the Lake Naomi Beach 2 at 1 p.m. A family and children service will take place at 4 p.m.

Tuesday, October 4, a Member and Community service will take place at 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, October 11, Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) services will begin with Kol Nidre services at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 12, will begin with Yom Kippur services at 10:15 a.m. and will continue at 2 p.m. with a Family and Children service. There will be a study session with the Rabbi at 2:45 p.m. followed by afternoon ser-

vices at 4. Yiskor services will begin at 5 p.m. and Neila and Havdalah will conclude the day starting at 5:30.

After Yom Kippur services there will be a Break the Fast Buffet at Lake Naomi Clubhouse. Reservations are required with payment in advance.

For information or tickets to services, visit www.bnaiharimpoconos.org or call the message center at 570-646-0100.

Congregation B'nai Harim is located at Pocono Crest Road and Sullivan Trail, just off Route 940 in Pocono Pines. All services, except Tashlich, will take place at the Temple.

2016 Fall Wellness Festival this Saturday

A Fall Wellness Festival will be hosted by State Representatives David Parker & Jack Rader and Pocono Medical Center at Northampton Community College, Monroe County Campus, Tannersville.

The event will take place on September 17 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., and will feature exhibitors who will provide information on benefits and services available to residents in Monroe County.

Admission is free. The festival will provide free health

screenings, door prizes, government agencies, health care, insurance, nutrition and exercise, fraud protection, and weight management.

For more information, visit RepParker.com, call 570-894-7905 or 570-420-2940.

Blakeslee UMC presents Choral Gospel Concert

The 'Rockin' Blakeslee United Methodist Church Choir will present their choral concert "Greatest Hits, Volume 3, Gospel" on September 18, at 7 p.m. at the church. Julie Kerrick Geiser directs the choir, this time offering spirit-lifting, toe-tapping

Southern gospel selections arranged Stan Pethel. Authentic "Smokey Mountain" style music will accompany the choir. All are welcome.

Favorite Gospel classics such as "A Wonderful Time up There," "I'll Fly Away," and "Just a Little Talk with Jesus" will be sung by the choir. Joy Waltz, videographer, will again provide accompanying videography in synch with the choir's selections.

Dr. Stan Pethel, the arranger, is a widely published contemporary composer and arranger from Rome, Georgia, with over 1000 works in publication. His works are published for choir, piano, organ/piano duet, symphonic

band, jazz ensemble, orchestra, hand bells, and chamber music ensembles.

The Blakeslee Church is located on Route 115 in Blakeslee, across Route 115 from the Blakeslee Shopping Center. The Rev. Joseph M. Healey is pastor of the congregation. Please call 570-646-7727 for more information.

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Pocono Lake UMC holds Community Health and Wellness Fair on the Mountain

Pocono Lake United Methodist Church is pleased to announce it is holding the first annual Community Health and Wellness Fair on the Mountain, sponsored by AmeriHealth Caritas Northeast, on September 24 from 12- 3 p.m. Everyone in the community is invited to attend. There will be free blood pressure and A1C screenings. There will be many vendors offering helpful health information such as Pocono Medical Center, WIC, AmeriHealth Caritas NE, Pocono Alliance, American Red

Cross, Habitat for Humanity, the Autism Action Center, Human Resources, Monroe County Transportation, Align Life, and Pocono Mountain Regional EMS. Pocono Mountain Fitness Center will have information on Silver Sneakers and there will be information on area hiking and biking trails.

Additionally, the church is holding a coat drive at this event collecting clean, barely used coats that will be given to those needing a warm coat for the approaching winter. For additional information

you can call the church office at 570-646-2650 weekdays between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m. Pocono Lake United Methodist Church is located on Route 940 four miles east of Blakeslee Corners.

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Olde Tyme Tent Revival Meeting set

On September 24 from noon – 2 p.m., an Olde Tyme Tent Revival Meeting will take place at 844 Route 940, Pocono Lake. All are welcome.

The Pocono Lake Wesleyan Church was born in a farmer's field in 1925, less than a quarter mile from the

church of today. Construction began in the late fall of 1925, with the first church service being held in March of 1926.

To celebrate the past, the church will be holding an Olde Tyme Tent Revival Meeting just down the road from the original meeting place.

Stop the Hate with vigil in Pocono Pines

The public is encouraged to join area faith communities at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 25 as they gather at St. Maximilian Kolbe for a unique service designed to celebrate diversity, promote mutual respect, and to inspire and encourage one another to act nonviolently as agents of healing in their communities, stand up to hate violence directed at anyone, speak out when people are attacked due to their race, religion,

sexual orientation, nationality, gender, or economic status, and to raise a united front against hate violence.

Begun throughout the nation after the death of Matthew Shepherd, Stop the Hate Vigils continue to honor the memories of victims of hate-related crimes and to inspire communities to work for respect and justice for all people. All will gather upstairs in the church at 3:30 p.m.; after the vigil, everyone is in-

vited to gather downstairs in the hall for light refreshments and fellowship.

St. Maximilian Parish is located at 5112 Pocono Crest Road in Pocono Pines, which is adjacent to the traffic light at the intersection of Routes 940 and 423. For more information, call 570-839-9346.

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To All Our Supporters,

The list published here is to recognize those friends of the rally who gave so generously to the Linda Creed Organization.

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Thank you to both the Lake Naomi/Timber Trails and Pinecrest staffs. Their help is priceless.

To everyone we say a heartfelt "Thank you" for all your support no matter what part you played in our Rally.

Be comforted in the knowledge that all your money goes to help LOCAL women at one of the darkest periods of their lives.

It is an honor and pleasure to serve as your chairwomen for this great event.

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Two historical markers dedicated

The Labor Day weekend was a busy one for the history of Tobyhanna Township. Two historical roadside markers were dedicated on Saturday, commemorating The Stagecoach Inn and The Battle of Locust Ridge.

Located along Route 423 across from the spillway of Lake Naomi, The Stagecoach Inn historical roadside marker was unveiled. It was donated by the Lake Naomi Club, and is located at the site of the 1840's Inn. Robert Jones, General Manager of the Lake Naomi Club, dedicated the marker on behalf of the club.

The Battle of Locust Ridge historical roadside marker is located on Locust Ridge Road, just south of Slutter Road in the Pocono Lake area. It faces the location where the Battle occurred in 1784. The marker was donated by the Arrowhead Lake Community Association and was unveiled and dedicated by Eric Usbeck, General Manager.



Eric Usbeck, GM of Arrowhead Lakes Community Association, unveils the Battle of Locust Ridge.

The Marker Advisors have a busy fall schedule with 15 more markers to dedicate. Up next will be Jacob Blakeslee, Jr. scheduled for this Saturday, September 17 at 10 a.m. Its location is on the west side of Route 115 north of Blakeslee, just north of Homestead Lane. The dedication will take place

just north of the site on the east side of Route 115.

The schedule can be viewed on MATT's web site, as well as each dedicated historical roadside marker with additional historical accounts. The website address is www.tobyhannatwphistory.org/markers.html



Robert Jones, GM of the Lake Naomi Club, unveils the Stagecoach Inn Historical Roadside Marker.

At each marker's site, visitors can scan a QR decal affixed to the marker pole, which will automatically navigate to the web site.

For more information, including how to donate, visit MATT's website, email MATT at ttmarkers@gmail.com or phone MATT at 570-580-5353.

Monroe County Conservation District hosts 2016 self-guided farm tour

The Monroe County Conservation District is proudly hosting the 2016 Farm Tour to connect consumers with local producers. Participants will have the opportunity to visit local farms to learn about their available products and farm management.

The 2016 Monroe County Farm Tour will be held on October 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Rain date will be October 2). One easy way to reduce our carbon footprint is to buy locally grown foods. By buying local, we are also supporting our local economy. Participants will have the opportunity to visit local farms to learn about their available

products and farm management.

New this year—MCCD is providing transportation to 13 passengers who call and reserve a seat on the bus. You will be meeting at MCCD at 8:15 a.m. and will be leaving for the first farm at approximately 8:30 a.m. Do not wait to reserve your spot because

seats will fill up quickly. Bring a lunch.

Cost for Bus Transportation: \$15/non-member, \$10/EE member. Brochures and maps for this self-guided tour will be available at the farms, the office, and on the website, mconconservation.org. For more information, please call 570-629-3060.

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Project Owl Net Orientation Program

Monroe County Conservation District's Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center will hold a Project Owl Net Orientation Program at 10 a.m. on September 24.

This program is for anyone interested in learning about Project Owl Net, or helping out at the Kettle Creek saw-whet owl banding station this Octo-

ber.

For more information, call the Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center at 570-629-3061, Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and most Saturdays from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

For more information on other programs, visit www.mconconservation.org.

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Want to do a lap around the Pocono Raceway on your motorcycle? September 18 is your chance. Register from 8:30 to 11 a.m. at the American Legion Post.

Registration is \$20 per person and includes breakfast at the Legion, a lunch, and a beer or soda. Kickstands up at 11:15 a.m.

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Motorcycles and cars welcome for this rain or shine scenic ride. Ride starts at the American Legion, next stop Pocono Raceway. Last stop, United Dream Fest back at the American Legion for family friendly fun events, 10 a.m. -6 p.m. Free admission and parking.

Food, beer, and mixed drinks available – must be 21 or older to drink – valid ID required, craft vendors, DJ, bands, brown bag auction,

mechanical bull rides. Best in Show Bike Competition, 4-5:30 p.m., \$10 registration, \$100 first prize.

Music by *Slammin' Jams*, 10-noon; *Mike Stanley & Friends* 12-3 p.m.; and *Big Things* 3-6 p.m.

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Sean W. Cosgrove Memorial Golf Tourney for wildlife and hunters

Proceeds from third annual event donated to PA Game Commission Game Fund

The 50-plus golfers who competed in the third annual Sean W. Cosgrove Memorial Golf Tournament held at the Mountain Laurel Golf Club

near White Haven on September 11 all had a great time while supporting wildlife conservation.

"Sean was an avid outdoorsman and our family wanted to honor him by hosting an annual event that supported wildlife and hunters of Pennsylvania," said event organizer Brian Cosgrove. "We were happy to donate this year's proceeds to the Pennsylvania Game Commission."

Game Commission special investigator and dog handler David Allen attended the event with Labrador retriever "Skye" to provide information to participants on the agency's K-9 program.

Game Commission Northeast Region Information and Education Supervisor William Williams accepted the donation and thanked the Cosgrove family and event participants during post-tournament activities.

"This generous donation will provide support to a variety of wildlife conservation programs," said Williams. "This gesture is greatly appreciated."

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**By Order of
Mount Pocono Borough Council**

MAL to meet

The monthly meeting of the Monroe Animal League will be Tuesday, September 27 at 7 p.m. at the Eastern Monroe County Library, Route 611/N. 9th Street, Stroudsburg. All Monroe County animal lovers are encouraged to attend.

The Monroe Animal League is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization serving

Monroe County since 1943, and is a member of the Federated Humane Societies of Pennsylvania. Our mission is to coordinate the human efforts in Monroe County to aid in the prevention of animal cruelty and to relieve the suffering of companion animals. MAL strives to optimize care through education, awareness, and financial support.

For more information, visit www.monroe-animals.org, join us on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/MonroeAnimalLeague, email monroe-animalleague@gmail.com, or call 570-421-7775.



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.

Friday, September 16—Bingo Night, 5:30 p.m., Chestnuthill Township Park, 570-992-9733

Saturday, September 17—Community Yard Sale, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Our Savior Lutheran Church, Mount Pocono, 570-369-0953

Saturday, September 17—Pasta and meatball dinner, Thornhurst United Methodist Church, 570-371-9513

Sunday, September 18 — Blakeslee United Methodist Church Choir's Greatest Hits, Volume III, 7 p.m., Blakeslee United Methodist Church, 570-646-7727.

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

Sunday, September 18—Chicken Parmesan Dinner, 12-5 p.m., Our Lady of Victory R.C. Church, Tannersville, 570-629-4572

Saturday, September 24—Ham Dinner & Preserve Sale, 5-7 p.m., Pocono Lake United Methodist Church, 570-646-2460

Saturday, September 24—Get Outdoors PA Festival, sponsored by PA Senator Mario Scavello, 12-4 p.m., Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center, Nazareth, 610-863-1200, www.marioscavello.com

Saturday & Sunday, September 24 & 25—Howe-town Farm Show, Sterling, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 570-595-0452 or 570-650-8302

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

Tuesday, September 27—Paint Party, sponsored by Church Women United of Monroe, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Faith United Methodist Church, Stroudsburg, 570-619-5251

Friday, September 30—Mike Agranoff at the BookHouse, 7 p.m., Eastern Monroe Public Library, Stroudsburg, 570-421-0800 xt321, www.monroepl.org

Friday, September 30—Brodhead Watershed Association Members & Friends Celebration, 6-9 p.m., Pocono Hall at Northampton Community College, 570-830-1120, brodheadwater-

shed.org/2016celebration.html

Sunday, October 2—Selma, EMPL film series matinee, 2 p.m., Eastern Monroe Public Library, 570-421-0800, xt 317, www.monroepl.org

Saturday, October 8—Craft Fair, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Pocono Lake United Methodist Church, 570-646-2650

Saturday & Sunday, October 8 & 9—Columbus Day Weekend Craft Fair, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish downstairs hall (use side door)

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

Sunday, October 16—Free Community Supper, 3-4 p.m., Our Lady of Victory Church, Tannersville, 570-629-4572

Sunday, October 23—Coach® Handbag Bingo, 1 p.m., Wilson-Fisher American Legion Post 413, Pocono Pines, 570-977-1646 or 570-722-9797

Saturday, November 5—Craft/Gift Fair, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Chestnuthill Park, Brodheadsville, 570-992-9733

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Thursday-Sunday, July 6-9, Briggs Farm Blues Festival

Musicology Band “Rock for Strength” event coming to Stroudsburg

The Hope for Strength Breast Cancer Fund is partnering with the Musicology

Band for this new event, “Rock for Strength.” The event is being held on Sep-

tember 24 at the Stroudsburg Quality Inn, 1220 W. Main Street, Stroudsburg, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Music by Musicology, a great rock band which covers the music of the 60's through the 90's, are high energy and highly entertaining. There will be lots of dancing, a signature drink, raffle, and more. As fans of the late, great Prince, the band has donated an original autographed photo of their idol which will be raffled at 10 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 each, which can be purchased in advance or at the door. Enjoy a night out with your friends while supporting breast cancer patients. Also special room rate of \$79 (double occupancy) is available by calling Stroudsburg Quality Inn, 570-420-1000.

All proceeds benefit the Hope for Strength Breast Cancer Fund helping to minimize the financial and emotional impact of breast cancer diagnosis and treatment. Fund provides male

and female breast cancer patients of the Dale and Francis Hughes Cancer Center at Pocono Medical Center assistance with their basic living expenses.

Contact Carole' Ann F. Bowyer at Hopeforstrength2012@gmail.com or 570-977-0872 for tickets and information about the Hope for Strength Breast Cancer Fund.

Craft and Gift fair

The West End Park and Open Space Commission will have a Craft/Gift Fair at the Chestnuthill Park, 221 Rt. 715-Brodheadsville on November 5 from 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Vendors are wanted for this event- crafts, gifts, art,

and direct sellers. Indoor costs \$25 with table, \$20 without. Outdoor costs \$20 with table, \$15 without.

For more information, contact 570-992-9733 or bkozen@weposc.org.

New ways to expand your mind at PMPL

Pocono Mountain Public Library has ongoing art and music workshops that are both free of charge and beneficial to your brain. Creative activities such as art and music are great for your personal development and memory retention. When you paint a picture or play a musical instrument, your brain is reshaping, adapting, restructuring, and expanding your cognitive capacity. You're basically expanding your mind.

"We've gotten a lot of positive feedback from these programs," says Library Director

Ann Shincovich. "It's an important part of the library's mission to develop interesting and stimulating programs for our patrons. We're very proud of our Still Life Art Club, Guitar Workshop, and Book Club. We welcome everyone to our programs. It doesn't matter what skill level you're at. We want everyone to take advantage of all the great things that the library has to offer."

On the second Tuesday of each month, PMPL hosts a Still Life Art Club at 10 a.m. where participants strengthen their artistic skills by painting

or drawing a still life at each meeting. Bring your own supplies. No oils or soft pastels. Participants will work from a live still life setup with guidance from artist Bev Abel. The next date is October 11.

On the second and fourth Wednesdays, there are free guitar workshops for beginners where participants learn about power chords and the minor pentatonic scale, which are found in blues, rock, punk, metal, funk, country, and hip hop. Bring your own guitar. The next guitar workshop is September 28 at 6 p.m.

PMPL hosts a Watercolors Painting Workshop with Nancy Pitcher teaching the basics of watercolor techniques on Wednesday, September 28 at 2 p.m.

All programs require registration ahead of time. Sign up at the library or call 570-894-8860 #4.

Lioness Club plans fashion show

The Lioness' New Fashion Show and Luncheon, Colors of The Season, will be held September 25 at Hideaway Hills Golf and Country Club in Kresgeville. It will fea-

ture three businesses, Dress Barn, Elegant Bridal and Peebles, and include the introduction of men's fashions.

Tickets are on sale for \$28. Contact Lioness Anne at 610-

509-3519.

For additional information on Western Pocono Lioness, contact President Lioness Cynthia at 570-629-1505.

Prepare to join the Western Pocono Lioness at the September 27 meeting with a social time at 6 and a meeting afterward, at the new location, the Community Room of Kinsleys in Brodheadsville.

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Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month at the Library

For the first time in the Pocono Mountain area, Hispanic Heritage Month will enjoy an official opening. The Hughes Library in Stroudsburg will host a two-hour celebration of song, dance, and informed commentary about the diversity of cultures within the Hispanic family of nationalities on September 17 beginning at 3 p.m.

Featured in the program is the dance troupe from Allentown directed by Flor Vélez of the Association for Puerto Rican Cultural Preservation. The young people will perform a variety of typical folklore dances: seis chorreao, bomba, and plena. Each demonstrates a different cultural component of Puerto Rico's mix of Taíno, Spanish and African influences.

"We are going to show how Spain's culture crossed the Atlantic and was recreat-

ed in the different regions of Latin America," said Professor Emeritus Anthony M. Stevens-Arroyo. "Each year, a different culture will be featured," he added, "so that learning about the richness of our cultures will be fun."

The list of songs and dances begins with a villancico, or Christmas carol, composed in Spain in 1512. The religious background of many traditions will be presented with a performance of gozos by the Hermandad del Señor de los Milagros. Founded in Lima, Peru to commemorate a miraculous preservation from a 1655 earthquake, the order has an official branch located in Cresco.

Mexico will be well represented and the public will be invited to learn how to sing Las Mañanitas, the Mexican version of Happy Birthday. Argentina will be represent-

ed with a performance of the national dance, the tango by a talented duo led by Jessica Burns. The event will be hosted by Christina Luna, a local celebrity known for her service to the media through Café with Christina. The live presentations will be complemented with recorded performances.

The Federation of Latinos for Education about the Cultures of Hispanic America, known as FLECHA, has organized the program with funding from the Eastern Monroe

Public Library. Co-sponsors include the Monroe Council on Inclusion and Diversity Associates. The purpose is to promote county-wide recognition of Hispanic Heritage Month that runs from September 15 until October 15 every year.

This year's opening will feature a collection of photographs by Lorena Román, who has just returned from a well-received exposition in Mexico. Her work will be on exhibit for the month at the Smithfields Library until Octo-

ber 15, when the official celebration will close with a panel discussion of her art and the community of Latinos in the Poconos.

Admission to the event is free. Spanish clubs are invited to represent local

high schools and universities by registering for a display table. For further information, contact FLECHA through its website, <http://www.flechapa.org/> or call the Hughes Library at 570-421-0800, extension 317.

TAB sessions start again

Teen Advisory Board meetings are beginning again at the public libraries in Monroe County in September. Students in grades 7-12 who want to take an active role in their library are welcome to join. TAB members help plan library programs and events for teens, help select books and other library materials, and discuss books, movies, and music. Meetings are informal and fun. Snacks are provided. No registration is necessary; new members are always welcome. To sign up for the e-mail reminder list, send an e-mail to mcteenlib@gmail.com; please include

your name, grade, library, and phone number.

Clymer Library, Pocono Pines: TAB meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 6:30-7:30pm. First meeting is Sept. 20.

Pocono Mountain Public Library, Tobyhanna: TAB meets on the 2nd Monday of each month from 6:30-7:30pm. First meeting was Sept. 12.

For a full list of dates and times for each library, go to the Teen page at www.monroepl.org, then select Teen Advisory Board. Bookmarks with TAB information and meeting dates are also available at each library.



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Pocono Rail Society celebrates 25 years



On August 27, the Pocono Rail Historical Society celebrated 25 years in the National Railway Historical Society with a party at the historic Tobyhanna train station and museum, which the P.R.H.S. maintains and operates, in conjunction with the third of four Steamtown excursions, and received their certificate of recognition from the N.R.H.S. The historic station is open weekends from noon to 4 p.m. through December.

Pictured from left are- Bob Bitzer, N.R.H.S. Treasurer; Jim Winston, P.R.H.S. president; Elwood Johnson, P.R.H.S. national representative; Howard Dickinson III, Station master; Joe Maloney, N.R.H.S. Vice president; Joe Oboyle, P.R.H.S. membership chair; Anthony Macphee P.R.H.S., kneeling. Operating the o scale layout (in red) is Robert Lippi, P.R.H.S. Not pictured but in attendance are Mike Doyle, Robert Klose, and Charlie Van Buskirk, P.R.H.S.

Kettle Creek EE Center sponsors Fall Equinox Hike

On September 22, join Environmental Educator Brian Hardiman in saying good-bye to summer and hello to fall on this four-mile round-trip hike to Hemlock Pond, a hidden jewel atop the Kittatinny Ridge in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area.

Cost: \$24/non-members, \$18/EE Center members and includes bus transportation. Meet at Kettle Creek at 8:30 a.m.; return at 4 p.m. Bring a lunch, water, and be prepared to hike over rocky, uneven ground. Pre-registration required.

For more information, call the Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center at 570-629-3061, Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and most Saturdays from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. For more information on other programs, visit www.mcconservation.org.

Great Monroe County Snipe Hunt

Monroe County Conservation District's Environmental Education Center is sponsoring "The Great Monroe County Snipe Hunt." It's that time of year to get your team together and compete in the Hunt. The teams are trying not just to find more birds than the competition, but the rarest birds in Monroe County over a 24-hour period.

5 p.m. on October 1. Following the hunt, all teams will be treated to dinner and presentation of the coveted GMC Snipe Hunt trophy.

For a copy of the official Great Monroe Snipe Hunt rules and registration information contact the EE Center at 570-629-3061. Cost: \$15/team member. All participating team members will receive an

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United Way of Monroe County Campaign kicks off with Day of Caring

As the NFL football season kicked off on September 8, so did United Way of Monroe County's 2016 Campaign. United Way held its 2016 Campaign Kickoff and Day of Caring on September 8 at 8:00 a.m. at the Barley Creek Brewing Company in Tannersville. United Way announced the 2016 Honorary Campaign Chair, Sharon Laverdure – active community member and recently retired Superintendent of East Stroudsburg School District – who will be promoting the work of the United Way and its partners over the next few months.

President and CEO of United Way of Monroe County, Michael Albert, spoke at the event, highlighting some of the major challenges facing Monroe County, "We know that Monroe County has a significant population considered the 'working poor'. A high cost of living – especially housing, combined with relatively low wages creates a situation where regular people are having trouble getting by," said Albert. "But there is good news here. This is a vibrant and motivated community that wants not only to survive, but to thrive. If we focus our efforts

and work together on a few key issues to improve the financial stability of individuals and families in the community, we can start to move the needle on challenges affecting those who are struggling." Albert went on to highlight four Impact Initiatives on which the organization will be focused over the next four years, and for which United Way is looking to raise funds:

Enhancing Food Access - There are dozens of food pantries and supplemental feeding programs in Monroe County looking to feed those who are hungry. These programs are not just for people living on the street, but individuals and families who need a little extra support to make ends meet. United Way is looking to mirror successful Food Access initiatives across the state and country that bring together numerous local partners to establish an enhanced food system that increases efficiency and coordination. This enables the community to serve more people with higher quality and healthier supplemental food. United Way will partner with key agencies in the area to establish the Monroe County Hun-

ger Coalition later this year to help spearhead this initiative.

Supporting Working Families – Breaking a cycle of poverty requires investments in education – especially early-childhood development – as well as efforts that help families to meet their current needs. Free or low-cost quality pre-K services and after-school and day-care programs achieve this double-goal through a single effort. They do so by providing enhanced educational services for children, while also enabling and empowering parents to maintain a more flexible working environment that raises the possibility of increasing their families' earnings.

Connecting our Community – United Way's recent needs assessment revealed that a number of community members are eligible for existing services, but are not accessing them. Increasing access to existing programs will be achieved through information

and referral services (such as PoconoInfo), transportation assistance and case management services. This initiative will guide individuals and families through the often complicated and cumbersome processes of accessing federal, state and local services and will help narrow the service-access gaps in our county.

Providing a Safety Net – Despite the best efforts to promote long term support and reduce poverty, some community members simply fall through the cracks and are in need of help NOW. United Way's Safety Net Initiative will ensure that those seeking shelter, behavioral health services, or emergency services will have access to support when they need it most.

To close out the Kickoff, United Way launched its Annual Day of Caring - a special one-day event that gathers individuals and employees from local companies to come

together to provide a day of service and make a difference in their community. Over 160 volunteers headed out into the community today to carry out hands-on projects assisting the needs of ten local non-profit organizations in Monroe County. Projects included everything from painting, landscaping, minor construction, classroom rehabilitation, and delivering items such as meals and clothing.

If you missed this year's Day of Caring but want to get involved, visit www.volunteer-monroe.org to check out volunteer opportunities in our community. Find a project that interests you and get involved! For more information about the United Way of Monroe County or to invest in and support our Impact Initiatives, visit www.unitedwaymonroe.org. If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, contact PoconoInfo at www.poconoinfo.org or call 570-517-3954.

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New addition to region's largest team of physicians and providers

Pocono Medical Center welcomes Mohammad Ali, M.D., MBA, to the Pocono Medical Center Physician Associates as its new primary care provider.



Board certified in family medicine, Dr. Ali recently completed his residency at Centra Health – Lynchburg Family Medicine in Lynchburg, Virginia. "As a husband and a father first and foremost, I understand the importance of having access to quality care for my family, which is why it is

my mission to ensure I create that same opportunity for local families by delivering comprehensive care from a provider they can trust," said Dr. Ali.

Prior to joining Pocono Medical Center, Dr. Ali received a master's degree in Business Administration in Healthcare Administration from Walden University. He then went on to earn his Doctor of Medicine degree, graduating Cum Laude (with distinction) from American University of Antigua. He also holds professional memberships to organizations such as the American Medical Association and the American Academy of Family Physicians.

Dr. Ali will now be seeing new patients at what will be Pocono Medical Center's new Physician Associates Primary Care location in Tannersville Plaza on Route 611 next to Weis Market. The new location will offer Tannersville and its surrounding residents with a range of healthcare services including primary care, occupational medicine, orthopedics, outpatient rehabilitation, and laboratory and imaging services.

For more information or to learn more, visit poconohealthsystem.org.

Seth's Sightings

by Seth Isenberg

Summer is not letting go even as next week will be the start of fall. It was relatively hot. I say relative because I feel temperatures in the 80s are hot, and we've just come through a period when the temperatures were in the 90s.

Saturday we spent our afternoon at the Woof-Fest in Long Pond, raising money for the Monroe Animal League, manning the Blakeslee Rotary Club booth. We knew we'd have shade and plenty of water, so we took our dog, Chess, and she had a good time meeting and greeting all kinds of other dogs, from a tiny miniature Pinscher pup to a full-sized Saint Bernard. Off in the distance we could hear activity at Pocono Raceway, and we passed the Lantern-fest event in the track's park-

ing lot as the sun began to set and they were preparing to launch.

Our Sunday was a chance to escape a little bit. We tanked up and then headed north toward Towanda, enjoying signs of early fall colors as we entered our state's northern tier. A friend had given us tickets to the Monroeton Rodeo, a fundraiser for the fire company there, coordinated by the Rawhide Rodeo Company. We arrived to hear the opening ceremonies, then found two seats in the bleachers and settled in for a good show. It was a fun afternoon out in the sun.

After the show, we agreed to go home via back roads and on the way sighted a handful of white and Great Blue herons. Part of our ride

took us along the upper Susquehanna River and at one stretch, one of the Great Blues was perched on a rock beside shallow waters, easily the king of his domain.

On this ride, we saw a Road Closed 9 Miles Ahead sign but kept rolling, figuring the worst we could do was double back. It turned out to be bridge work right at the town where we were to take our turn onto a county road. Fortunately for us, it was NOT the bridge for our side road but the next one on the main road. We'd have been in trouble if we'd needed to cross the river. It was part of the adventure.

On the county road, we sighted beautiful vistas of the steep rolling hills that sloped toward the Susquehanna — some of the Endless Moun-

tains. We drove past many finished gas-yielding pads, and a couple of new ones. The area is not so busy now that the gas boom has moved on. One of the big surprises was a brand new gas-powered electric generation station. Why pipe the fuel hundreds of miles, when you could use it right there? The new power plant was right down the road from the giant paper mill—the future of clean energy right there.

We used every bit of sunshine, arriving back to pick up our dog after dark. It was a wonderful sleeping night, as temperatures dropped to the low 50s.

The Penn State-Pitt football game took place during the rodeo. We listened to part of it, and can say the Pitt was

ready to show its stuff. Penn State got rolled back, but did start playing well, nearly making their way to the lead. Maybe this loss will make them a better team before hosting Temple. In other football, the Patriots showed that Jimmy Garappolo is for real as a quarterback against a tough opponent and he can be the future for the team after Tom Brady retires. The win was satisfying. The Eagles took care of an easy opponent behind their rookie QB, so a true test is yet to come.

This weekend is a full one for us. We are fitting Rotary and Weatherly Library fundraisers around the PA Blues Festival. We'll be attending the Blues Festival Saturday and Sunday evenings. Next weekend, we are eyeing the Celtic Fest in Bethlehem for a day of fun, and during that next week, we'll be going to the Bloomsburg Fair.

Quiet Valley's 42nd Annual Harvest Festival

Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm celebrates their 42nd Annual Harvest Festival on October 8 and 9 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. This year's theme is "19th Century Tools, Technology & Trends." When was hand



phone affect the average person living on farms? We will showcase progress in farming in the 19th century with some of the equipment in Quiet Valley's collection. This theme will let us explore

some of the amazing innovations and improvements that took place during this incredible period in time.

In addition to demonstrations and displays dealing with the theme, there will be plenty of traditional skills and heritage crafts demonstrated such as spinning, weaving, broom making, scrapple making, apple butter making, bas-

ket making, and candle making. There will also be plenty of folk entertainment, good country food, children's activities, pumpkin decorating, a quilt raffle, horse drawn wagon rides, outdoor brick bake oven, and much more.

See the New Jersey Frontier Guard as they portray French and Indian War soldiers. Explore the Civil War Encampment where the 142nd Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, Co. G Re-enactors will portray the drill and everyday life of soldiers during this important time for our nation. Visitors will

enjoy this special glimpse into local history.

Children will enjoy a variety of activities such as pumpkin decorating, old fashion games, a hands-on heritage craft/activity area, the one room school presentation, and pony rides.

Harvest Festival offers visitors of all ages two days of old-fashion fun. All funds raised will help support the mission of this nonprofit, educational organization.

Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm is located 3 miles south of Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania off of Business Route

209. This event is held rain or shine. Demonstrations are under tents. Admission is adults \$10 & ages 3 - 12 \$5. No pets and no smoking please. The Harvest Festival schedule is subject to change. For more information: 570-992-6161 or www.quietvalley.org.

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United Way's Day of Caring participants from Sanofi Pasteur lay the groundwork for Mountain Center's Certified Outdoor Classroom surroundings. *JP: Hofbauer Strategies*

Volunteers streamline Mountain Center start

by Jeanine Hofbauer

What a difference a day makes...or in this case one day with an astounding amount of volunteer support surrounding Pocono Services for Families and Children's Mountain Center. The September 8 opening certainly seemed a success with day-of help still pouring in!

Since finalizing the purchase of Coolbaugh Elementary Center from Pocono

Mountain School District less than three months ago, the Tobyhanna village facility situated along Route 611 has undergone a miraculous makeover. A feat not magical in any way certainly required many hands to meet the September deadline for opening doors to occupants including Monroe County Head Start preschool program and Feeding Families Ministry.

With over 70 Sanofi Pasteur

volunteers joining the United Way Day of Caring, paint was drying, hammers flying with the sound of drills bits still penetrating wood, while students experienced their first day of learning and the food pantry celebrated its start apart from the distant corridor and outdoor work.

"It's the only way we're able to squeeze three months of work into seven weeks," explained a grateful PSFC Executive Director Tim Lee.

As the Certified Outdoor Classroom came to life, including a bridge crossing gravel to the greenery, Sanofi employees shared what it meant to be helping piece together the collective impact approach for the northern tier of the county.

Calling the task "a big commitment," Jim Hannigan agreed, "It sets an example for the community" illustrating the measurable impact a corporation can have by encouraging the group-wide effort.

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ments. He has held a variety of regional leadership roles including Executive Director of the Make-A-Wish Foundation and Development Director of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic. He currently serves as Vice-President of the Government Division of ESSA Bank & Trust.

"I am honored to partner with the Board of Supervisors, staff, residents and business community of Tobyhanna Township to continue on a solid progressive path to thoughtful planned growth and development. I am confident that together, in a collaborative fashion, we will continue to make Tobyhanna Township one of the premier communities in the Pocono Region," said Jablowski upon his appointment.

Jablowski has worked with Monroe County local governments since the mid 1990s in financing capital and development projects such as the Monroe County Municipal Waste Authority building in New Ventures Park along with partnering with municipal officials to manage public investment funds.

Board of Supervisors chair Anne Lambertson stated, "With the Board of Supervisors fo-

cused on major economic development projects in Pocono Summit, Blakeslee and New Ventures Park, we felt that John Jablowski was the perfect person to not only manage the day-to-day operations of Tobyhanna Township, but also to work with our Township Engineer and Board of Supervisors to assure that these key economic development projects come to fruition, with the expectation that these three projects will stimulate business for all of Tobyhanna Township."

CPR and First Aid class offered

The West End Park & Open Space Commission is offering a CPR and First Aid Training class on October 8 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Chestnuthill Park Building, 221 Rt. 715-Brodheads ville.

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and we are excited to do so for the Blakeslee community.”

David A. Testa, D.O., Board certified in Family Medicine, will serve as the primary care provider at Blakeslee Health-

care Center. Prior to joining Pocono Medical Center, Dr. Testa operated his own private practice in Clifton, New Jersey. After relocating his family to the Poconos, Dr. Testa joined the region’s largest team of physicians and providers committed to providing excellent care, close to home. “It is my pleasure to be-

come a designated primary care provider for the families of the Blakeslee area who long-awaited quality health-care,” said Dr. Testa. “I am

looking forward to sharing my commitment to providing compassionate care for the entire family.”

Pocono Medical Center will also be offering complimentary flu shots to the community at the opening of the Blakeslee Healthcare Center.

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Home of the Panthers Multi-Sports Field Dedication Ceremony – was held September 15, on the new synthetic turf field behind the PM West High School on the Sullivan Trail Campus

Home of the Cardinals Multi-Sports Field Dedi-

cation Ceremony – Friday, September 16, at 6:45 p.m., on the new synthetic turf field at the stadium on the Swiftwater Campus. The game will pit the Cardinal Varsity Football team against East Stroudsburg North.

Home of the Panthers

Football Field Dedication Ceremony – Saturday, September 24, at 11:45 a.m., on the upgraded natural grass football field on the Sullivan Trail Campus. The game will pit the Panthers Varsity Football team against Pleasant Valley. This will be the first

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Police Beat

by Seth Isenberg

Just before 4 a.m. on 8-28, Pocono Mountain Regional Police were called to a home in the 200 block of Old Route 940 in Pocono Pines because a man was trying to light a vehicle on fire with the driver still in it. The suspect, Samir Cajevic, Jr., 30, crashed his Jeep Wrangler into the vehicle "numerous times" and sprayed lighter fluid on the male driver. As police were on their way, Cajevic fled on foot. An arrest warrant for aggravated assault was issued.

PA State Police – Leighton is investigating a threat to the well-being of a Eldred Twp. family of two 30-somethings and their children by a 36 y/o Kunkletown man known to keep firearms, 2:13 p.m. 9-5.

PA State Police – Fern Ridge is investigating domestic incidents in late August at a Gap View Dr., Jackson Twp. home where a boyfriend hit his girlfriend, and threatened her with a gun. An arrest warrant for the boyfriend was obtained.

An argument between two women, 66 and 22, at 12:42

a.m. in a Penn Spring Dr., Penn Forest Twp. home on 9-9 led to a mutual fight. PSP-L was called and both women are charged with simple assault. PSP-F was at a Mountain Road, Indian Mountain Lakes, Penn Forest Twp. home at 6:30 p.m. on 9-3 to separate a couple whose argument became a fight, with both being charged with harassment.

PMRPD reports it investigated the death of a baby at a home in APCP, responding just before 9 a.m. on 8-11. PMR EMS had been called to the home and found the unresponsive child in the bathroom. They were unable to resuscitate the child. APCP security assisted at the scene. PA State Police and the Monroe County Coroners office are part of the investigation.

Someone threw a rock at the front sliding glass door of a Dillon Way, Towamensing Trails, Penn Forest Twp. home at about 4:30 a.m. on 9-10 The glass was shattered, PSP-F asked for help on this one. Call them at 570 646-2271.

A Saylorburg man is charged with reckless endangering for firing a shot from his rifle into a neighbor's home, 1:40 p.m. 9-10, PSP-L.

PSP-L in investigating the egg-ing of a pickup truck in the driveway of a 1300 block, Kunkletown Rd., Ross Twp.

home, at 12:17 a.m. on 9-13. **Stealin'**

Workers from American Water Co. came onto their storage lot to start their day on 9-7 to find their John Deere mini-excavator gone. It had been removed from a trailer, driven through the woods to a property on Kings Way in Pocono Farms East, then loaded onto another trailer. The John Deere is yellow with a gray

cab, has rubber tracks and a plow blade. PMRPD is investigating the theft.

On 9-1, PMRPD arrested Ahmed Nabil Darwish of Mt. Pocono, 27, as he was in the Monroe County Courthouse being sentenced on another case. Darwish tried to rob a cash register at the Weis Market in Mt. Pocono just after 6 p.m. on 8-17. He told the clerk

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Police Beat...

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at the register that he had a gun. A second employee approached to determine what the problem was - and Darwish pulled out a large butcher knife to threaten this employee. He then fled. Darwish is now in the Monroe County jail in lieu of \$250,000 bail facing charges of attempted robbery, aggravated and simple assault, theft and related charges.

Overnight 9-3 to 4, someone entered a Livingston Rd., Jackson Twp. home via a first floor window, and stole jewelry, prescription medicines and the homeowner's birth certificates, PSP-F. A burglary between 9-2 and 5 at a

Sierra View, Effort Mountain, vacation home in the 2500 block of Allegheny Dr. is also an PSP-F's investigation list - the thieves pried open a rear window, then stole a paintball gun, a BB gun, a plastic wagon and a Panasonic camera.

A 22 y/o Kunkletown woman was arrested for shoplifting health and beauty products, plus a cheesecake, from the Weis Market in Brodheadsville at 5:30 p.m. on 9-4, PSP-F. PSP-L arrested a local man for taking a bag of charcoal and changing the price sticker to pay a lower price, at the Dollar General in Ross Twp., 8-29.

The Pocono Plateau is not HIGH enough for some

Two field sobriety checkpoints over the past two weekends on Route 115 in Ross

Twp. the nights of 9-4 and 5, and 9-10 and 11, pulled 12 drunk drivers from area roads. Another 40 drivers were given the standardized field sobriety tests - and passed them. Between the two nights, 39 tickets were written, along with another 40 warnings. On 9-4 to 5, PSP also arrested a driver in possession of a controlled substance. The checkpoints are part of the STEAD-D program - keeping our area safer.

During the checkpoint just after 2 a.m. on 9-11, a 35 y/o Kunkletown-area driver tried to make a U-turn and drive away from the checkpoint. A unit was sent after the vehicle and it was stopped. The man was found to be driving drunk, and arrested.

PSP-L reported another four DUI arrests over the last two weeks.

PSP-F reports a couple of stops on Interstate 80 in East Side borough where drugs were found in the cars. On 9-11 at 5 p.m. after a stop in East Side, PSP determined a car should be searched and found 100 Oxycodone 15mg pills, and the 27 y/o Mansfield, PA, driver was arrested for possession with intent to deliver - he was taken to the Carbon County jail to await arraignment.

PMRPD reports a response to a call about an erratic driver northbound on Route 115 just north of Blakeslee at 9:14 p.m. on 7-23. Police located the car and saw more erratic driving - and made a traffic stop. Police determined the driver, a 55 y/o Brodheadsville

man, was intoxicated (drugs). He was arrested and taken to the Monroe County DUI Center for processing.

Keeping the Rubber Side Down ...

PSP-F responded to a rear-end crash on Route 209 near the Brodheadsville McDonalds that disabled both vehicles. West End EMS took the at-fault driver, a 28 y/o Brodheadsville woman, to Pocono Medical Center. She was ticketed for driving too fast for conditions, 8-26. Both units were towed.

PSP-F investigated a 45 y/o's crash of her '15 Dodge Challenger into a tree off Evergreen Hollow Rd. in Effort at 10:08 p.m. on 9-2. She was not hurt - just ticketed.

PSP-L investigated a crash by a 17 y/o of his '06 BMW

Rendezvous where, at 7:06 a.m. on 9-9 while on Mountain View Dr. in Polk Twp., he swerved to avoid an animal on the road and lost control, driving up an embankment and then across both lanes before going head-on into a tree. Regional EMS took him to Lehigh Valley MC for treatment of minor injuries. Polk Twp. VFD assisted at the scene.

Among the other crashes were two STOP sign violations with consequences, a tire failure that wrecked a '99 Chevy Tracker (driver had just a minor injury), a failure to yield, and a teenager hurt on 9-10 after she crashed her car on wet roads on Route 209 at 6:22 a.m. in Polk Twp. - the 19 y/o was not wearing her seat belt and was taken to Pocono Medical Center for care.



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Golfers: Show - Tell - Sell

by Jeanine Hofbauer

As the Golf Collectors Society prepares for its golf



memorabilia trade show

September 20 at Kalahari, anticipation builds with many eager to see what history is

unveiled. With a nationwide group of members sharing their prized possessions, these avid collectors seek that unique selection of undiscovered items.

From wooden golf clubs, tees and balls to books, steins

and art, Society local Bob Gettis notes, "Our hope is to not only gain interest in the [organization] but discover all things golf."

He explains that "Trading and selling to ourselves" is common. The allure of any collecting comes from the thrill of finding something new and unexpected.

With a rich history of the sport enjoyed in the Pocono Mountains, confidence is high that someone will attend the free event filled with experienced collectors to see how much an item they own is worth.

Donating his own 100-year-old wooden shaft golf club as prize in a drawing of registered guests, the possibility of captivating a few new relic revelers is par for the course. Free parking, free admission, free appraisals...are you free from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.?

For more details "free of charge" email Bob Gettis at rbgettis@comcast.net.

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