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## Lovely Lions lights!

Weatherly Lions Club held the annual Holiday House Decorating Contest on December 12. First place winners, William, Bonnie and Bud Lech, home in Weatherly shown at left, won a \$50 gift certificate to the Weatherly Country Inn. Second place winners, Ruth and Mike Sabol, home in Weatherly shown center, won a \$30 gift card to TJ's One Stop. Third place winner Judith Lescowich, home in Packer Township shown at right, won a \$20 gift certificate to the Original Italian Pizza. The first place winners chose to donate their prize to a needy family in Weatherly.

A photo of the winners receiving their awards can be found on page 5.

LET'S GO OUT FOR BREAKFAST: Santa brought Mrs. Claus along for a festive breakfast at St. Patrick's Parish Center on December 13. They shared the meal, and some gifts, with lots of happy children.

JH: Stephanie Grega



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# Editorial

## White Christmas would be a gift

by Seth Isenberg

*Oh, the weather outside is delightful...* to alter a popular holiday tune.

Hereabouts, we have arrived at the official beginning of winter with not even a hint of snow. Our local townships and boroughs are in full celebration mode due to savings from not sending out road crews to plow or even salt and cinder. Plus there's the added bonus of lower heating bills in various publicly owned buildings.

There's an additional bonus with the warm weather, fuel prices have dropped due to light use of heating oil. This is a wonderful Christmastime present for all of us in these northern climates, a gift from a giant El Niño weather pattern in the Pacific Ocean.

The downside has been that temperatures have not been consistently cold enough at night at our local ski areas, so seasonal major employers have been unable to open their doors as planned. No ski areas open have meant no skiers in our stores, no hotel overnight guests, far fewer restaurant diners, etc. In many households paychecks are missing or lower due to the weather, because of our area's tourist businesses. Our local economy has taken a hit.

So, let it snow, let it snow, let it snow (already) ... or at least may the evenings have temperatures below freezing as a Merry Christmas gift to all.

## Letters to the Editor Policy

Letters to the Editor are welcome on any subject. They may be mailed to 211 Main Street, White Haven PA 18661 or e-mailed to [journalnews@pa.metrocast.net](mailto:journalnews@pa.metrocast.net).

Letters must include a signature, which will be published, and a phone number for verification purposes, which will not. Topics of local interest are preferred, and form letters will not be published. Preference will be given to letters sent exclusively to this publication. Letters should be no longer than 300 words. The Editor reserves the right to edit for clarity. Letters which could be considered slander or libel will not be published, nor will personal attacks.

## From the Archives

**From the November 16, 1978 Journal:**

Among the recommendations in the Crestwood School District long range plan is that the District "consider purchasing land in the White Haven area...for a building project (an elementary school) if there is an increase in student enrollment." The plan suggested buying land next to the present high school, and includes a project for a separate Junior High School on that site about 1982 to 1984. That building is projected to cost \$10 million. The old Wright Township school would be abandoned. The long range plan, developed since February of '77, was adopted at a special meeting in October.

The White Haven Presbyterian Church honored Rev. Herman Humke and his wife Ella at a farewell dinner.

A bake sale, soup sale and "Country Store" will be held this Saturday at Feussner's Ford in Freeland as a fundraising towards the construction of a new Masonic Temple in Freeland.

The White Haven Community Ambulance honored its officers, directors, drivers and crew members at a dinner party held at Ray's Cocktail Bar and Restaurant on Route 940 (in Kidder Township) in early November. Special guests were honored including co-editors Jay and Clara Holder of *The Journal* for their support and the publicity in the newspaper. Special recognition was given to the women volunteers of the association. It was noted that the association needs a daytime volunteer with first aid training, though someone without the training is also welcome as a class is slated to start after the first of the year.

White Haven Borough approved a budget of \$100,633 for 1979, liquid fuels of \$25,377 and revenue sharing of \$73,000. Tax mills are 24 – no tax increase. Fire protection costs went up due to workmen's compensation, so next year, Penn Lake will pay \$1,500, Dennison \$2,500 and White Haven Poconos \$1,200. The borough secretary got a raise of \$500 to \$6,000. The police chief's pay was increased from \$9,940 to \$10,500. The street commissioner's pay went up to \$11,500. In the absence of council president Glenn Kearns and vice president Edward Pike, council member Ruth Holder was temporary chairman for a hearing to approve the Evanko subdivision.

Fowler, Dick and Walker advertised its store hours in both Wilkes-Barre and Hazleton. An extra hour of shopping is offered - to 10 p.m. – in Hazleton.

The Pocono Hershey Resort invited locals to a "Hoedown" on Sat., Nov. 25, featuring a country buffet dinner, Hayrides, square dancing, "moonshine" and birch beer all evening. Cost is \$13.50 plus tax.

The Buckhorn on the corner of the White Haven-Weatherly Road and Route 940 will have rock music on Saturday night by "Swagger" from 10 p.m.

**87 years ago in *The Journal***

Sleet and snow caused cancellation of Armistice Day parade and afternoon exercises. Morning exercises were held at Memorial Hall in White Haven.

The Ladies Guild of the Episcopal Church in White Haven will hold a bazaar starting Dec. 17 in the church basement, continuing for the week.

The best and most appropriate Christmas gifts will be on sale.

The Legion Theater flashed a notice on their movie screen that they are cutting shows to three nights per week, starting next week. Admission prices at the Oriole Theater were dropped to pre-war prices – 10¢ and 15¢.

Two more cases of scarlet fever were reported and are under quarantine.

**From *The Weatherly Herald*: 50 years ago**

On the front page is a photo of some of the nearly 300 children and adults who attended the Weatherly American Legion Christmas Party, held at Eurana Park.

Christmas greetings include Y and W general auto repairs (a Tote Gote motorbike dealer), Keller's Floor and Wall Covering, Manny Wolfe Justice of the Peace, Rosebud's Beauty Salon, C. H. White jeweler and optometrist, E. L. Williams, Mickey's Barber Shop, Kelshaw's Market, Lamont's Pharmacy, George L. Somers Insurance, Petchel Auto Body, Jake's Café, Star Parts, Kunkle Lumber Co., Alberta's Beauty Salon, Allen Hoffman general contractor, Henry L. Eroh painting and paperhanging, and Tung-Sol Electric, all of Weatherly.

John K. Schafer of Weatherly borough graduated from the PA State Police Academy recently. He is married to the former Ann Murry, R.N. He is now stationed with Troop A in Greensburg.

**100 Years Ago**

The Allen Candy Company is having one of their most successful Christmas season ever. For the past five weeks they have been shipping an average of four tons of candies per day. About 60 people are employed there.

# Letters to the Editor

## The Glory of Christmas Every Day in Our Small Town

Today a great group of volunteers sorted the many gifts shared by the generous and selfless residents of our wonderful White Haven Community for the annual Giving Tree Program. Such sharing, at a time when expenses are high for everyone, no questions asked, to help those with a little greater need right now, is beyond impressive.

If you ever hear a complaint about lack of opportunity or disadvantages of our small community, reply with pride about the generosity of our neighbors. Surely, small towns are not able to offer some of the things available in the big city. But, please, weigh carefully the pros and cons.

I suggest that most of us live here by choice, and in my opinion we've made a wise choice.

As I sat to eat some dinner, thinking about the Good evidenced by so many of our

neighbors and colleagues, the young Christmas carolers and their adult mentors at my front door brought the whole day into complete perspective. As they sang a few joyous Christmas songs, with the smiles and pride of young people, and seeing the wisdom of the adult examples singing with them, I could only feel the real Glory of Christmas that is evident in so many ways all year long in our community, if you pause for even a moment to see or hear or feel it.

Enjoy Christmas and keep the true meaning as our priority, like these events today. See the good around us, celebrate and share and we'll all benefit together in our White Haven Community!

**Merry Christmas.  
Ed Gower**

### To the Editor:

On behalf of the officers and members of the White Haven Center Lions Club and St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus Council #10616, I wish to

extend year-end thanks for The (Journal-Herald) coverage and listing of special organizational events at St. Patrick's Center and to all those who helped to make them a success.

The WHC Lions celebrated 30 years of community service, 1985-2015, with a Lions Charter Night Anniversary dinner and musical program on May 1, with 100 guests and members attending. WHC Lions President James Curto chaired the event and served as emcee. Three 1985 charter members still serve in active positions. Business dinner meetings are usually scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month, and the club members are escorted and assisted, if necessary by regular program staff members.

St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus Council #10616 usually holds a business meeting at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. In addition, the K of C has

hosted several events during the year, including a Halloween Safe House at the parish center with snacks and treats for everyone. The first hunter's breakfast was held this year to coincide with the opening of hunting season. Many thanks to the volunteer K of C kitchen staff of family members and ancient Order of Hibernians family members who have made several special programs a very comfortable success.

**Joseph F. Kovack, DGK  
St. Patrick's  
Knights of Columbus**

### To The Editor:

I hadn't heard anything at all about the 75 year-old Eleanor Clift's call for a police state, so I can't be outraged. She doesn't get the press Donald Trump gets (no one does these days!), so Trump's calling for a repeal of the First Amendment stands alone for me as a good demonstration of where the GOP base stands on immigration. I don't

believe that watching Americans get divided by racism, bigotry, and xenophobia is in the least "interesting." I think it is sad that Trump has rallies as rabid as Hitler did and has ideas as in tune with democracy as Genghis Khan.

I appreciate your statement that the average Muslim in America is peaceful and just wants to attain the American Dream as all of us do. The threat to our country is based upon a twisted version of the Quran which uses gruesome verses in the Quran like 4:75, and 5:33 to rouse anger against the infidels. Our Christian Bible's Old Testament has some gruesome verses of its own, but Christianity leaves it up to God to judge unbelievers. Jesus tells us that "blessed are the peacemakers for they will be called the children of God." Islam has similar sentiments in parts of the Quran, but there are 109 verses in the Quran upon which all of ISIS and Al Quaida base their murderous beliefs. Just as Christians have learned not to make blood sacrifices called for in Leviticus, the modern Muslim realizes we live in the 21st century and not the 7th century.

ISIS is trying to impose its minority view of the Quran on all Muslims. It is up to the majority of peaceful Muslims to eliminate by whatever means necessary the murderers who are destroying their religion. America needs the cooperation of all Muslims to make us safe. The Statue of Liberty beckons all to our shores.

**Dave Panckeri  
Weatherly**

# Public Notices

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Letters of Administration were issued in the **Estate of John A. Gutosky a/k/a John Gutosky**, to Estate No. 15-9370 late of 230 First Street, Weatherly, Carbon County, Pennsylvania who passed away on September 28, 2015 to **Leslie Diane Gutosky**, 230 First Street, Weatherly, PA 18255. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims to present the same without delay to:

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

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Penn Lake Park Borough Council will hold its regular monthly meetings in the Penn Lake Community House, Lakeview Drive, Penn Lake on the following dates:  
1/14/16, 2/11/16,  
3/10/16, 4/14/16, 5/12/16,  
6/09/16, 7/14/16, 8/11/16,  
9/08/16, 10/13/16, 11/10/16 and 12/15/16.

Meetings will be the 2nd Thursday of each month with the exception of December which will be the 3rd Thursday. Work session at 7:00 with meeting immediately following.

**Margo Beckerman  
Borough Secretary**

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary have been granted to Susan Sheer, of 15 Hillside Road, PO Box 851, Conyngham, PA 18219 and Carol Martin, of 3693 Hancock Lane, Doylestown, PA 18902, as Co-Executrix in the Estate of Mary Ellen Hutton, late of PO Box 214, Conyngham, Luzerne County, PA 18219, who died on November 3, 2015. All persons indebted to the Estate are requested to make payment and those having claims or demands are requested to present the same, without delay, to the Co-Executrices above named, or to:

**Albert F. Maier, Jr., Esq.  
820 Main Street  
Freeland, PA 18224**

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

White Haven Tax Collector Kathryn Oross will hold tax hours December 31, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the borough building, 312 Main Street.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Penn Lake Park Borough Council intends to enact an Ordinance establishing the 2016 tax millage rate at 0.6 mills at its monthly meeting January 14, 2016 at the Penn Lake Community House, Lakeview Drive, Penn Lake.

**Margo Beckerman  
Secretary**

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# WASB ponders personnel

by **Donnell Stump**

The Weatherly Area School Board met in regular session on Wednesday, December 9 following a more than 60-minute executive session of the Personnel and Policy Committee. In reporting committee action at the conclusion of the regular meeting, committee chair Gerry Grega noted that they had discussed the technology vacancy left by the departure of David Russell and maintenance mechanic position which will be available following the announced retirement of Rick Miller.

The board took official action on four personnel moves, including Russell's resignation which took effect on December 4 and Miller's retirement which will take place on January 15. They also approved the December 4 resignation of Michelle Clark from a full-time cleaning aide position. Clark was added to the substitute list. The board also unanimously rescinded the motion to hire Frank D'Andrea as a part-time cleaning aide.

Three of four students of the month for November were introduced at the meeting. They included Senior of the Month

Olivia Winheld; sixth grade student of the month Timothy Maguschak and seventh grade student of the month Amanda Colecio. The eighth grade honoree Alexander Landis was unable to attend.

Business Manager Dave Marsiglio was appointed the E-Rate approver for the Weatherly Area School District.

The Weatherly Area PTA was authorized to conduct a Kids Go Shopping activity in December. The Alumni Association was given approval to hold meetings on January 21; March 17; and October 20. Cub Scout Pack 007 was granted permission to hold the Pinewood Derby in the high school on Saturday, January 23, with set-up on Friday, January 22.

The senior class trip to Ohio, slated for May, was approved by the board. Grega asked if enough chaperones would be going on the trip. Superintendent Tom McLaughlin told him that the senior class advisors have been told they will need at least one chaperone for every 15 students attending the trip. Board member Georgeann Herling asked about the itinerary and

was told the group will go to a Cleveland Indians baseball game, tour the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and go to Cedar Point Amusement Park.

Approval of the assignment of transportation services from Hemlock Bus Company to Rohrer Bus Company was given subject to receipt of necessary insurance certificates and signatures on the assignment contract.

A proposed preliminary budget was approved on a 7-1 vote, with Grega voting against it.

Athletic committee chair Corey Gerhart noted that winter sports are underway and asked everyone to come out and support the Wreckers.

In addition to Grega, Herling and Gerhart, the meeting was attended by Gerry Fewins, Bill Knepper, Brandon Pugh, Chad Obert and Matt von-Frisch. Board member Amy Potsko was absent.

The next caucus meeting is Wednesday, January 6 with the regular voting meeting Wednesday, January 13. Both sessions start at 7 p.m. and are held in the Middle School Large Group Instruction room and are open to the public.



**White Haven Mayor Fred Meier, left, administered the oath of office to new full-time police officer Joanne Jinx, right, as police chief Tom Szoke looked on.**  
JH: Ruth Isenberg

## White Haven welcomes new police officer

by **Ruth Isenberg**

First order of business at the December 21 White Haven Borough Council meeting was the swearing-in of new full-time police officer Joanne Jinx. Mayor Fred Meier administered the oath of office.

The borough also received a donation to the Police Department from the Valley with a Heart program.

Absent any complaints from citizens, council member Tim Janosco raised the issue of parking by the renovated apartments at the corner of Berwick and Towanda Streets. Vehicles parked in front of the building on Berwick Street are limiting visibility for drivers turning onto Berwick Street from Towanda Street, and there have been some near accidents reported. The area will be looked at to see if additional parking regulations are needed.

There was little business to be conducted at this short end-of-the-year meeting. Council adopted the budget on the second reading, noting that for the first time, it included a surplus of \$33,000.

Council also approved the ordinance fixing the tax rate for 2016. There is no increase in taxes. The salary resolution was also adopted.

For November, tax collector Kathy Oross turned over \$1,349.16.

One occupancy permit was issued for the month. Borough manager and code enforcement/zoning officer Linda Szoke reported that work on the Mertz property is moving forward and should be completed soon. In response to a question from the mayor, she said that the stairs at the rear of the property are to be removed.

More on this meeting in next week's edition.



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**WEATHERLY LIONS LIGHTING WINNERS:** Pictured from left are 3rd place winner Judith Lescowitch and grandson, Nathaniel Pinherio; 1st place winners William, Bonnie and Bud Lech; and 2nd place winner Ruth Sabol; and Weatherly Lions Club President, Chris Embick.

## Learn about South Africa's land and animals

North Branch Land Trust presents "South Africa: Its Land & Animals" on January 6 at 6:30 p.m. at Canteen 900 in Kingston. Joe Viljoen, renowned South African conservationist, animal behaviorist, and owner of the magnificent 40,000-acre private game preserve ChaZen Nature Preserve, will present two programs about ChaZen, the land and animals of South Africa, his lion, leopard, and wild dog breeding programs.

The presentation is open to the public and free of charge. Light refreshments will be served and you are welcome to BYOB.

To make a reservation for the program, call 570-696-5545 or email [romanansky@nblt.org](mailto:romanansky@nblt.org). You can also register online at [www.nblt.org](http://www.nblt.org).

## Veterans Corner by John Kearns

### German U-Boat U-134 uses Christmas lights, sinks 24 American ships and a US Navy patrol blimp

The scene in the comedy film "Down Periscope" portraying a sub with periscope extended on the surface at night looking like a sail boat in the dark is not all Hollywood. December, 1942, South Florida: The strangest U-Boat attacks in USA home waters was made under a Christmas tree. This same Christmas tree would later sink the U-Boat.

A surfaced German U-boat with periscope extended strung "Christmas Lights in the shape of a Christmas tree." At night, US Navy and Coast Guard patrols reportedly passed within a mile of the surfaced sub signaling holiday greetings as many

fishermen did the same in the spirit of the holidays.

Commercial shipping unaware as this "it looked normal." Ship captains took no evasive action, their ships were sitting ducks, attacked. 24 civilian tankers and freighters were sunk with torpedoes and deck guns.

Alarmed now, the US military ordered all ships to turn off their lights at night. The result: two U.S. tankers collided off Jupiter, Florida, killing 88. One of the ships was loaded with 146,000 barrels of gasoline, causing an explosion and flames that lit up the sky for weeks.

Commercial ships started to travel in convoys with armed naval escorts allowing the Navy to falsely report the ending the submarine attacks. Still, reports persisted that

crewmembers from German submarines were coming ashore to buy bread, fresh produce and dairy products, assimilating into the diverse tourist population going unnoticed. Later in 1942, police discovered a telescope, a signaling device and three home heating oil tanker trucks, proof that German spies occupied a vacant home in Boca Raton, the Coast Guard Auxiliary reported.

**Blimp vs. U-boat:** The Germans had 700 submarines and at any given time about 10 would prowl off in the Florida Straits. Short of planes and patrol craft, the Navy dispatched slow-moving airships to patrol. The U-Boats were the newer type IX, much larger than the type VII the blimp crews were trained to attack. The type IX also had

a stinging array of anti-aircraft weapons with crews trained to shoot down fast moving winged aircraft up to 200 mph.

On July 18, 1943, blimp K74 was on night patrol when it spotted a sub approaching two merchant ships off Key Largo. The blimp commander had hoped to catch the sub by surprise to drop out of the clouds and bomb it. The blimp did just that, but at 34 mph. Glowing in the darkness, the Christmas lights still lit the hydrogen tank storage area and gave away their position. U-134 crew spotted the attacking blimp and opened withering fire with 20mm cannons and powerful twin machine guns. Hot lead and tracers ripped through the airship's giant hydrogen-filled envelope while others hit an engine, which burst into

flames.

The blimp returned fire its single 30 cal machine gun, causing only minor damage to the sub. The deflating K74 dropped into the sea. All 10 crewmen clung together in the water through the night near the smoldering blimp. However, one crewman got separated and "was devoured by sharks." K74 sank, "the only airship lost to enemy action in World War II."

Torpedoes gone, U-134 returned to France. Wanting to show off how it fooled the US anti-submarine forces, when it entered the harbor it extended its periscope and lit up its "Christmas tree." It was promptly spotted by two patrolling Royal Air Force bombers, bombed and sunk. Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night.



## WHITE HAVEN THIS WEEK

**Friday, December 25**  
Christmas Day

**Monday, December 28**  
Foster Township Supervisors Hearing & Special Meeting — 6:00 p.m. — Township Municipal Building

**Thursday, December 31**  
New Year's Eve

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

**Every First & Third Thursday Except Holidays**  
Scrabble Club — 6:30 p.m. — White Haven Area Community Library

**Every Friday Except Fifth Friday & Holidays**  
W.H. Food Pantry — 10:00 a.m. to Noon — Rear, Hickory Hall, White Haven Center

**Every Friday, Monday & Wednesday Except Holidays**

Free Community Lunch — Serving 11:30 a.m. to Noon — St. Paul's Lutheran Parish Hall

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

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

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

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

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

## Candlelight and Carols

A Christmas Eve service of Candlelight and Carols will be held at 7p.m. at the Freeland Presbyterian Church, 625 Front St.

Music will be provided by Janet Hartman. Former pastor, Rev. Thomas E. Macadam, will lead the service and give the meditation. He

will also conduct the worship service on December 27 at 9:15 a.m.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated on January 3. All are welcome. For information, call Rev. Glen Hueholt at 570-722-8803 or 239-672-2706

## United Way holiday food donation



**UNITED WAY CHRISTMAS DINNER:** Shown from left are Nicholas Barbera, LVH-Hazleton dietary services director; Rich Saullo, United Way, director of resource development; Pat Ward, United Way president; and Kevin Lapinsky, LVH-H, assistant chef.

## LVH Hazleton collects Toys for Tots



The U.S. Marine Corps Reserve's goal for the Toys for Tots program is to deliver a message of hope to less fortunate youngsters that will assist them in becoming responsible, productive, patriotic citizens. Believing in this message, the surgical services team at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Hazleton collected three large bins of toys for the program.

Pictured from left are R.N. Joann Zavitsky, R.N. Mary Seeney, R.N. MaryAnn Kolcun, R.N. John Woodring, Marine Corp Sgt. David Ciero, R.N. Lee Novatnak, R.N. MaryAnn Segelia, and R.N. and director of surgical services Michele Konitzer.

## Christmas Tours of Sophia Coxe house

Christmas tours will be offered on December 26 and 27 from noon to 4:20 p.m. at the Sophia Coxe house, 2207 Route 940, Drifton.

Cost is \$5 to tour the home in all its Christmas splendor.

Those attending will enjoy a cup of tea and cookies. Those touring the home

will hear Christmas music and learn about Eckley and Sophia Coxe.

The decorations were donated and made by the Hazleton Garden Club and the Christmas trees donated by the Lehigh Gorge Nursery.

For more information, call Karen at 570-956-3881.



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**12/26 BStreet Band**  
\$23, Show 8 p.m.

**12/31 New Year's Eve Dance Party**  
\$10, Doors Open 9 p.m.

**1/2 Iconic Songs of the 70s**  
\$20, Show 8 p.m.

**1/9 Eric Mintel Quartet Does TV**  
\$18, Show 8 p.m.

**1/15 Steve Forbert**  
\$23, Show 8 p.m.

**1/16 New West Guitar Group w/Vocalist Sara Gazarek**  
\$18, Show 8 p.m.

**1/22 Taarka**  
\$15, Show 6:30 p.m.

**1/23 Dirty Bourbon River Show**  
\$18, Show 8 p.m.

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**4-9 p.m.**

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## WEATHERLY THIS WEEK

**Friday, December 25**

Christmas Day

**Sunday, December 27**

Breakfast — 7:00 to 11:00  
a.m. — Flying Aces Mo-  
torcycle Club, Rockport

**Wednesday, December 30**

Senior Citizens New Year's  
Eve Gala — 6:30 to 8:00  
p.m. — Heritage Hill

**Thursday, December 31**

New Year's Eve

## Senior Menu

**Week of December 28:**

Monday: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, cauliflower & peas, roll, bread pudding.

Tuesday: Baked ham, mashed potatoes, snap peas, roll, fruit chunks.

Wednesday: Chicken vegetable soup, barbecued chicken sandwich, bun, tossed salad, tropical fruit.

Thursday: Ham & cheese, lettuce & tomato, potato salad, fruit cup, iced tea.

Friday: New Year's Day; centers closed.



For the 12th consecutive year, students and staff in the Weatherly Area School District participated in a district-wide toy-drive benefiting the Schuylkill-Carbon Marine Corps League's Toys for Tots program. From November 16 to December 11, students brought in new unwrapped toys.

Pictured with the toy donations are: Front row (from left)- Taylor Davidovich, Kassandra Hibbler, Aiden Slovik, Stephen Barnic, Melissa Houser. Second row- Alexis Colecio, Antonio Colecio, Traig Depmsey, Trent Dempsey, Michael Berger, Meghan Moon, Allyson Isom, Alexis Hartz, Rhianne Markovchick. Pictured in the back row are teachers Sarah Hamm and Amy Sweeney.

## Presbyterian candlelight service

The Christmas Eve Candlelight service will take place at 7 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, E. Main and Spring Streets in Weatherly. Christmas Carols will be sung, and special music will be provided by Mary Scheib and Jeanne Korshalla. On this busy day, you are wel-

come to "come as you are". No need to dress up for this service. Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated on January 3 at 11 a.m.

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

## St. Matthew's Christmas Eve service

All are invited to attend the 7 p.m. Christmas Eve service at St. Matthew's Union Church, Quakake Road, on Christmas Eve. Sunday school students will partici-

pate in the service, which will include Holy Communion and St. Matthew's Christmas Eve tradition of singing "Silent Night" by candlelight.

## Christmas Eve candlelight service

Salem United Church of Christ of Weatherly will hold a Christmas Eve candlelight service with Communion on

December 24 starting at 11 p.m.

Sunday School classes will not meet on December 27.

## Weatherly Borough office closed for Christmas

The Weatherly borough office is close for the Christmas holiday, and will remain closed Christmas Eve, and

Christmas Day. The office will reopen for business on December 28 at 7:30 a.m.

## Gray Ladies in need of items

The Gray Ladies of Weatherwood are in need of items for bingo games and birthday presents.

Items include baby powder, hand lotions, men's and

women's socks, necklaces, stretchy bracelets, pins, and monetary gifts.

To donate items, call Phyllis at 570-427-4557 or Sally at 570-427-4472.

## Knights of Columbus to meet

The Knights of Columbus, St. Nicholas Council No. 12105 of Our Lady of Lourdes Church did not meet on

Wednesday.

The next meeting will be January 13 at 7 p.m.

## Unbaked pizza sale

Centenary United Methodist Church will hold an unbaked pizza sale on January 22 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m.

To order call Joan at 570-427-8222 Joyce at 570-

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# LOL Prime Time Club donates to those in need

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President Theresa D'Andrea and Treasurer Georgeann Herling explained this is the second year of obtaining a grant from the Diocese of Allentown, which

helps to seek out people in need during the holidays of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter.

The club is always looking for new members to help out. People of all faiths are invited to attend. Meetings take place at Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Weatherly, on the first Thursday of each month at 1:30 p.m. Contact Theresa D'Andrea at 570-427-4137 for more information.

Pictured are Georgeann Herling (left) and Theresa D'Andrea presenting Shepherd House Food Pantry Coordinator Charles Hettler with gift cards, which will be donated to people in need during the holidays.




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# Programs offered at Nescopeck State Park in January

The following programs will be offered at Nescopeck State Park in January 2016. Register through their online calendar of events or by calling the park at 570-403-2006.

**January 1-** First Day Hike: Lake and Nescopeck Trails; 1 p.m.

Registration required by calling John Jakoby at 570-474-5884.

Start the new year out right. Join Conservation volunteer John Jakoby for this easy 3-mile hike that cruises through various habitats within the park and passes by the scenic Nescopeck Creek. Hiking boots and water are recommended. Nescopeck Trail is not suitable for strollers. Hike may be cancelled due to inclement weather.

**January 9-** Guided Nature Hike; 9 a.m.

Registration required.

Embrace the winter season with an easy 2-mile hike. If conditions allow, participants will have the option of hiking on snowshoes. Please dress accordingly, be sure to wear warm boots, and bring water. Hike may be cancelled due to inclement weather.

**January 14-** Hide-n'-Seekers Program for Preschoolers; 10 a.m.

Registration required.

Join the park for a program to get preschoolers ages 3-5 out and learning about our natural world through stories, activities, and crafts. Weather permitting, participants will venture outside for part of the program, so children should be dressed accordingly.

**January 16-** Owl Prowl; 6 p.m.

Registration required.

Join the park for a 2-part pro-

gram to learn all about owls. An indoor session featuring live owls with friends from the Carbon County Environmental Education Center will be paired with an outdoor walk led by Conservation Volunteers Dave Krue and Jonathan DeBalko to listen for owls that might be calling. Interested participants should dress appropriately for the temperatures with warm footwear and layers that include hats and gloves.

While there is no charge for attending this program, the park is asking attendees to consider bringing an item off CCEEC's wish list to help them out as "admission" to the program. As a non-profit, licensed wildlife rehabilitation center, every donation, no matter the size, makes a big difference. Items in need are baby blankets, paper

towels, baby food in jars, quality dry kitten or puppy chow, rodent chow, small animal toys and treats, welding gloves, dishwashing gloves (size medium), nitrile gloves (size medium), large long handled nets, fresh fruits, vegetables, and nuts, 3M brand masking tape, and sisal(rope).

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# Coming Events

**DECEMBER 30, Wednesday** – Senior Citizens New Year's Eve Gala, sponsored by Heritage Hill, Weatherly

**2016**  
**JANUARY 3, Sunday** – Breakfast, sponsored by Marine Corps League Det.1039 at St. Patrick's Parish Center, White Haven (Continuing first Sunday of every month)

**JANUARY 3, Sunday** – Breakfast, sponsored by Albrightsville Fire Company (Continuing first Sunday of every month)

**JANUARY 7, Friday** – Clothing Giveaway, sponsored by Freeland Presbyterian

Church  
(Continuing first Friday of every month)

**JANUARY 10, Sunday** – Breakfast, sponsored by Silver Ridge Hunting Club, Weatherly (Continuing second Sunday of every month)

**JANUARY 13, Wednesday** – Bingo, sponsored by St. Patrick's R.C. Church, White Haven (Continuing second Wednesday of every month)

**JANUARY 22, Friday** – Unbaked Pizza Sale, sponsored by Centenary United Methodist Church, Weatherly

## Community Christmas Dinner

The annual Community Christmas Dinner, sponsored by the United Way of Greater Hazleton and the Hazleton Ministerial Association will be held Christmas Day at Holy Rosary Church, South Poplar Street in Hazleton from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The dinner is free and open to anyone in the community.

Lehigh Valley Hospital–Hazleton continues the two decade tradition of donating an abundant amount of the food that will be served at the dinner. Take outs and deliveries are also available. For a delivery, call the United Way Office at 455-9515 by December 23.

## Gabriel Iglesias to visit Mohegan Sun Arena

Comedian/Actor Gabriel Iglesias returns to Mohegan Sun Arena at Casey Plaza in Wilkes-Barre on April 22 at 7:30 p.m. with *The Fluffy Breaks Even!* tour. Tickets, starting at \$30, go on sale on December 18 at 10 a.m. at the NBT Bank Box Office at Mohegan Sun Arena and all Ticketmaster outlets.

Iglesias is one of America's most successful stand-up comedians, and performs to sold-out concerts around the world. He recently had the distinct honor of being one of the few comedians to headline and sellout Madison Square Garden in New York, The Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles, and The Honda Center in Anaheim.

Gabriel stars in Fuse TV's *"Fluffy Breaks Even!"*, which is a non-scripted comedic docu-follow series co-starring his eccentric tour mates

and fellow comedians Martin Moreno and Rick Gutierrez. Audience members will have an opportunity to see what it's like for Iglesias to eat on the road, add up the calories, and then try to burn it off and "break even" with a different restaurant and workout in every episode.

Gabriel starred in the theatrical stand-up concert comedy film, *The Fluffy Movie*. For the past three years, Comedy Central has aired Iglesias' hit series *Stand-Up Revolution*. The cable network also premiered *Gabriel Iglesias: Aloha Fluffy* in an unprecedented two-night comedy special to over 15 million viewers. The special was a follow-up to his previous DVD specials, *Hot & Fluffy* and *I'm Not Fat...I'm Fluffy*, which have sold a combined total of over 2 million copies.

## Snowshoe and Cross-country Ski Loaner Program offered at Nescopeck

Beginning January 4 and running through the end of February, snowshoes and cross-country skis will be available to borrow free-of-charge at Nescopeck State Park under the following conditions:

Equipment is available Mondays-Saturdays between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. (excluding holidays, February 6, and February 20). All equipment must be turned in by 3 p.m.

There must be at least 4" of snow on the ground for using the skis and 6" of snow on the ground for using the snowshoes. Please call the park office or visit their Winter Report for current snow conditions at <http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/winter-report/index.htm>.

A valid driver's license must be provided by at least one person in the group.

Equipment is loaned on a first come, first served basis

and must be used on park property.

Park staff will be available to give brief instruction upon request.

Be prepared by using these simple tips:

Snowshoes have a tendency to kick up snow as you walk, which can stick to your pants – do not wear cotton jeans or sweatpants – they recommend snow pants or an outer layer of rain pants so you'll stay warmer and drier.

Snowshoes are strapped directly onto your shoes, so wear warm and waterproof boots if possible. The park provides specialized shoes for the skis, so wear warm socks.

These activities work up a sweat, so dress in layers and bring water.

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# Seth's Sightings by Seth Isenberg

Thursday was our date with The Force. Ruth and I claimed our seats early before the late showing of the new Star Wars movie at Split Rock Resort's movie theater. The film was great fun—lots of good guys and some new bad guys—old heroes and new. The new digital projector at Split Rock made the images sharp and with a bucket of fresh-popped popcorn, it was as good viewing as anywhere. Park close by, there are no lines with the theater right at the north entrance to the Galleria.

Our only chance to see hockey this week was on Friday, when the WBS Penguins took on the top team in the AHL, the Toronto Marlies. This game we enjoyed in the company of friends. All of us saw the locals jump out to a 3-goal lead, and then the visitors claw back to even things up. The game ended tied. The overtime period ended tied. In the end, Toronto won it on the last shot of a shootout. The next home games are on Sunday the 27th at 4 p.m., New Year's eve at 5 p.m., Jan. 2 at the normal 7 p.m. and the 3rd at

3 p.m., then a rare Tuesday night game on the 5th. So Christmas week is light, but the Penns get rocking into the new year.

Cold temperatures over the weekend had local snowmaking crews furiously building a base on limited ski terrain. It's our hope that the snow made will hold up through Christmas week. Our area has been very quiet without the families who come up to ski. It's been odd to have golfing but not skiing in mid-December.

The lack of snow has also affected our hunters. Without the hunters, our area would have been very empty these last two weeks.

Saturday's weather was too good to not go out for a brisk walk with Chess, our English pointer. We again took her into the heart of Hickory Run State Park to keep safe from hunters — the Sand Springs day area is a no hunting zone, with the added bonus of a year 'round running water bathroom if needed. Chess took herself into the water as far as her hairless tummy when she decided the water was too cold to swim in.

On Sunday we headed into New Jersey to visit my Uncle Slater. Our visit was highlighted with a good meal, and buying gas at \$1.71.9/gallon. On our way, we enjoyed sighting Santas on the fire truck touring their communities, first in White Haven as we were leaving, and then in Budd Lake, New Jersey as we arrived at my uncle's (there, a big Santa Claus on a big aerial ladder truck).

I am pleased about the Patriots earning a playoff bye. I didn't bother to follow the game — too easy. The Steelers helped out by beating the

Broncos. The Panthers beating the Giants was a super game. Things will be hot-hot when it comes to earning the Wild Card spots. As for the Eagles — not too good of a game versus a much better opponent, but if they beat the Redskins this coming week, and then the Giants, it is their division — something that will earn them one game into this year's playoffs before they finally pack it in.

I'm not sure that the Sixers can be considered an NBA team at this point. Good luck to the new additions to the management and coaching staff, though Mike D'Antoni is a very good coach and can help if the team can add some talent.

We are still not sure of our New Year's plans — Split Rock's party or the one at the Mauch Chunk Opera House

are possible. And I made a typo last week about the PA Farm Show's opening day — it's the 9th. More on that in the coming weeks.

It's great to see the Pennsylvania gas prices going down. I'd like to see them go down even more, because in January, Pennsylvania drivers will see another gas tax increase of 7¢/gallon, and our state will have one of the highest gas taxes in the country.

On Monday as I wrote parts of this column, UConn's Lady Huskies were playing at home without their all-star senior, Breanna Stewart. The short-handed team was able to double up on a decent LSU team, 86 to 40. Next Monday, the undefeated and ranked #6 Maryland Terps are their opponent in a game at Madison Square Garden.

## Kevin Hart announces PA takeover

Superstar entertainer, actor, and comedian Kevin Hart announced the addition of four area shows to his already massive The WHAT NOW? Tour: December 29 at the PPL Center in Allentown, December 30 at Mohegan Sun Arena in Wilkes-Barre, January 1 at GIANT Center in Hershey, plus a New Year's Eve performance at Atlantic City's Boardwalk Hall. The newly added dates come hot off the heels of Sunday's show at Lincoln Financial Field — which marked the first time a comedian headlined and sold out an NFL football stadium. Tickets can be purchased at PPLCenter.com or by-phone at 800-298-4200.

For more information, go to [whatnowtour.com](http://whatnowtour.com).

Kevin Hart is one of comedy's biggest stars with a celebrated and award-winning career that has seen the talented entertainer become one of the industry's most important and

influential voices. Since his career began Hart has worked non-stop and in 2015, he will release two movies as well as hit the road for his WHAT NOW? TOUR. Kevin can currently be seen in Screen Gem's The Wedding Ringer and in March 2015, will star opposite Will Ferrell in Warner Bros. Pictures' Get Hard. In 2016, Kevin will star in Ride Along 2, the anticipated sequel to last year's \$100 million blockbuster hit. The consummate worker, Hart is a force in television too where he is currently Executive Producing the hit show, Real Husbands of Hollywood on BET.

In 2012, Hart was tapped to host the 2012 MTV Video Music Awards garnering much industry praise for his appearance. His comedy tour, Let Me Explain, took him to 90 American cities before hitting countries throughout Europe and Africa. A testament to his talent and popularity, Kevin became only the second American in history to sell out London's O2 Arena. In addition to sold-out tours, Kevin's additional film credits also include Top Five, Think Like A Man Too, About Last Night and This Is The End.

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6. French lake
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13. \*\*Tell \_\_\_\_ I love her"
14. \*\*A long, long time \_\_\_\_ I can still remember how that music..."
15. Cast somebody there
16. Misbehave
17. St. Louis player
18. First American-born saint, Elizabeth Ann \_\_\_\_
19. \*\*Blue jean baby, L.A. lady, seamstress for \_\_\_\_
21. \*\*On a dark desert highway, cool wind in \_\_\_\_"
23. Draft pick
24. \$10,000, to a judge, e.g.
25. \*\*You \_\_\_\_ again"
28. \*\*You \_\_\_\_ me what I am today"
30. Inventor's right
35. Burden
37. Color of a bruise
39. \*\*\_\_\_\_ is a sound salvation... cleaning up the nation"
40. Bumpkin
41. "Get \_\_\_\_" (1965-1970)
43. \*\*Isn't it a \_\_\_\_.
44. What a taster does
46. 41st or 43rd president
47. 1970s hairdo
48. Fireplace
50. One-pot meal
52. \*\*I wanna be loved by you, just \_\_\_\_"
53. \*\*May the road \_\_\_\_ with you"
55. Use a Singer
57. \*\*Get this party started on a Saturday night, everybody's waiting for me to \_\_\_\_"
60. \*\*Just a city boy born and raised in South \_\_\_\_"
64. Killed, as in dragon
65. Go a-courting
67. Dome-shaped dessert
68. \*\*I'm sitting here, doing nothing but \_\_\_\_"
69. Another word for Tokyo
70. Did not go out to eat
71. Radio genre
72. "Losing My Religion" band

### DOWN

1. Surveyor's creation
2. Apiece
3. Pleasingly pretty
4. Dutch island in the Caribbean
5. "I love the smell of \_\_\_\_ in the morning"
6. Porcine fat
7. American Gas Association
8. Found in written series
9. Between ports
10. South American monkey
11. Carbon monoxide
12. \*\*It's raining \_\_\_\_, Hallelujah"
15. Finely cut masonry block
20. Certain tides
22. Chihuahua's cry
24. \*\*Clap along if you feel like happiness is the truth, \_\_\_\_ I'm happy"
25. \*\*Cause, baby, you're a firework, come on, show'em what you're \_\_\_\_"
26. Accustom
27. Historic region in northeastern Africa
29. \*\*Your lips are movin', tell me do
31. Spanish snack
32. Enlighten
33. TV's "\_\_\_\_ Circus"
34. \*\*Cause uptown funk gon' give it \_\_\_\_"
36. Tiresias in "Oedipus Rex", e.g.
38. Formerly, formerly
42. \*\*So take \_\_\_\_ broken wings"
45. \*\*I've got the world on a \_\_\_\_"
49. Charlie Sheen's diagnosis
51. Man cave's necessity
54. Waste water pipe
56. What did Jessica Fletcher do?
57. Aquarium organism
58. "Iron horse" track
59. Yamaguchi's court
60. Accompanied by "gloom"?
61. Bad sign
62. Used when citing a reference
63. Two equal a twenty
64. Scholastic aptitude test
66. "\_\_\_\_ to Joy"

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# Crestwood Boys Basketball Roundup

## Comets earn split on basketball court

The Crestwood Comets split their two boys basketball games last week, defeating Hanover Area 61-36 at home and falling at Holy Redeemer 50-43.

**Crestwood 61, Hanover Area 36** - The Comets raced to a 32-8 halftime lead en route to their non-league win over the Hawkeyes. Mendell Foreman led Crestwood's balanced scoring attack with 11 points, Tim McCue contributed 10 and Robbie Hopkins had eight. Nick Minnich topped the Hawkeyes with 11 points.

**HANOVER AREA (36)** Chafin 0 0-0 0, Minnich 5 1-4 11, Morgan 0 0-2 0, McCance 3 0-0 8, Piscotty 0 0-0 0, Rivera 1 0-0 2, Diggs 3 1-2 9, Jacobino 1 0-0 2, Vallaro 0 0-0 0, Rodriguez 0 0-0 0, Kopko 0 1-2 1, Senk 1 0-0 3, Salwoski 0 0-0 0, Marcincavage 0 0-0

0, Matcena 0 0-0 0. Totals: 14 3-10 36.

**CRESTWOOD (61)** Hopkins 4 0-0 8, Gegaris 2 1-1 5, Blass 1 0-2 2, Lysiak 3 0-1 6, J. Klusewitz 2 1-2 6, K. Klusewitz 0 0-0 0, Richards 1 1-3 3, McCue 4 0-0 10, Hawley 0 0-0 0, Foreman 4 3-5 11, Malkemes 0 3-4 3, M. Andrews 0 0-2 2, Kaminski 1 0-0 2, Jackson 2 1-2 5. Totals: 24 10-20 61. Hanover Area...8 0 16 12 - 36 Crestwood.....15 17 11 18 - 61 Three-pointers: McCance 2, Diggs 2, Senk. McCue 2, J. Klusewitz.

**Holy Redeemer 50, Crestwood 43** - James Kosik scored 12 points and John Carr added 10 as Redeemer grabbed an eight-point halftime lead and held off the Comets. The Royals hit eight three-pointers in the game, while Crestwood had six.

Robbie Hopkins nailed three triples for 13 points, and Josh Malkemes had 10 points for the Comets, who slipped to 3-2 on the season.

**CRESTWOOD (43)** Hopkins 5 0-0 13, Malkemes 4 1-2 10, J. Klusewitz 4 0-0 8, McCue 1 2-2 5, Gegaris 1 0-0 3, Richards 0 2-2 2, Foreman 1 0-0 2, Lysiak 0 0-0 0, Blass 0 0-0 0, K. Klusewitz 0 0-0 0, Jackson 0 0-0 0. Totals: 16 5-6 43.

**HOLY REDEEMER (50)** Kosik 4 0-0 12, Carr 5 0-1 10, Stachokus 3 3-4 9, Judge 2 2-2 8, Brennan 3 0-0 7, Aiello 1 1-2 4. Totals: 18 6-9 50.

**Crestwood.....12 13 9 9 - 43 Holy Redeemer..16 17 5 12 - 50** Three-pointers: Hopkins 3, Malkemes, McCue, Gegaris. Kosik 4, Judge 2, Brennan, Aiello.

# Crestwood Girls Basketball Roundup

## Easton goes to the line to beat Crestwood girls

Easton made just three field goals in the final quarter, but hit on 9-of-13 free throws during that span to lock up a 53-41 non-league win over the Crestwood girls basketball team last week in Wright Township. Shelby Stocker scored nine of her game-high 19 points in the pivotal fourth quarter for Easton, which pulled away from a 21-21 halftime tie. Mackenzie Miers and Olivia George added 11 and nine points, respectively, for the Red Rovers.

Maddie Ritsick led the Lady Comets with 13 points, going 8-for-9 at the free throw line. Sarah Hopkins added 11 points, including a trio of three-pointers, while Kate Snipas finished with nine points on three triples.

**EASTON (53)** Oliver 0 0-0 0, George 3 2-3 9, Roach 0

0-0 0, T. Smith 0 0-0 0, K. Smith 2 2-2 7, Santu 0 1-3 1, Stocker 6 7-8 19, Doerner 1 0-0 2, Deegan 2 0-1 4, Miers 5 1-2 11. Totals 19 13-19 53.

**CRESTWOOD (41)** Hopkins 4 0-0 11, Ritsick 2 8-9 13, Makowski 3 0-1 6, Snipas

3 0-0 9, Murphy 0 0-0 0, Dillon 1 0-0 2. Totals 13 8-10 41.

**Easton.....8 13 16 16 - 53 Crestwood.....10 11 9 11 - 41** Three-pointers: George, K. Smith. Hopkins 3, Snipas 3, Ritsick.

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## Lehman pins loss on Crestwood wrestlers

Lake-Lehman registered four wins by fall, and captured five of the first six bouts to build a big lead and defeat Crestwood 46-27 on the wrestling mat. Crestwood received pins from Paul Ashton at 195 and Tyer Nuss at 285, as well as a decision by Brandon Rinehimer at 126. The remaining Comet points came via forfeit.

138: Bob Lipski (LL) pin Connor Rogan, :21  
145: Tanner Thomas (LL) won by forfeit  
152: Jake Tomolonis (LL) pin Justin Lukashewski, 3:23  
160: Liam Stone (C) won by forfeit  
170: Chris Hadsall (LL) dec. Michael Jarmiolowski, 13-9  
182: Tom Williams (LL) dec. Ryan Black, 3-1  
195: Paul Ashton (C) pin Kristopher Rosencrans, 4:31  
220: Michael Slivinski (LL) pin Shane O'Rourke, 2:41  
285: Tyler Nuss (C) pin Kaleb Konigus, :35  
106: Tyler Shaud (C) won by forfeit  
113: Robert Long (LL) won by forfeit  
120: Austin Schuler (LL) pin Jason O'Neill, 5:54  
126: Brandon Rinehimer (C) dec. Garrett Kolb, 7-4  
132: Rodney Driscoll (LL) maj. dec. Ron Grevera, 11-2.

## Junior High Basketball

## Little Wreckers split with Tamaqua

The Weatherly Area junior high basketball team gained a split with Tamaqua last week. The Wrecker seventh-graders rolled to a 45-4 win as Scott Zoscin poured in a game-high 19 points and Trevor Lowman chimed in with eight.

In the eighth grade game, Tamaqua outlasted the Wreckers 59-35 behind the 20-point games of Nate Boyle and Lucas Gregoire. Elijah Derr topped the Little Wreckers with 12 points and Mason Gerhart followed with eight.

### Puzzle Answers from page 13

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# Wreckers garner first win, place third in CMVT tourney

The Weatherly Area boys captured their first win of the season on Saturday, finishing third in the CMVT Holiday Tournament with a 51-44 victory over Columbia County Christian in the consolation game.

**Weatherly Area 51, Columbia CC 44** - The Wreckers outscored Columbia County Christian 19-8 in the fourth quarter, erasing a 36-32 deficit

to earn the third-place trophy. Nativity defeated host CMVT for the title. Zach Moon poured in a game-high 19 points and Jake Stover followed with 11 for the Wreckers (1-5). David Hutchinson paced Columbia CC with 17 points, Corey Blockus scored 14 and Justin Funk 11.

**COLUMBIA CC (44)** Billmeyer 0 0-0 0, Blockus 5 3-4 14, Funk 4 3-4

11, Brent 0 0-0 0, Hutchinson 5 5-8 17, Connor 0 0-0 0, Cromis 1 0-0 2, Fritz 0 0-0 0. Totals: 15 11-16 44.

Totals: 22 3-6 51.

**Columbia CC.....10 8 18 8 - 44**  
**Weatherly Area.....14 2 16 19 - 51**

## Weatherly Boys Basketball Roundup

**WEATHERLY AREA (51)** Arthur 1 0-0 2, Stover 4 2-3 10, Bizarre 3 0-0 6, Moon 8 0-1 19, Buck 3 1-2 8, Yurchak 0 0-0 0, Zaremba 3 0-0 6.

Three-pointers: Hutchinson 2, Blockus. Moon 3, Buck.

**Columbia-Montour Vo-Tech 31, Weatherly 27** - One day earlier, it

# Lady Wreckers at 4-2 following win at MMI

The Weatherly Area girls bounced back from a one-sided loss to Marian with a runaway win over MMI on Saturday.

**Weatherly Area 55, MMI 12** - The Lady Wreckers led from the get-go, outscoring MMI 26-0 in the opening quarter on their way to the non-league win in Freeland. Freshman Megan Peifer scored 14 points and grabbed six rebounds to lead the charge for Weatherly. Senior Shelby Berger rimmed 11 points and made five steals.

Emily Zoscin contributed seven points and six steals, Morgan Gower had eight points, Jackie Gillott pitched in five points and six rebounds, and Lexi Hartz had a team-

high seven rebounds to go with three steals. The win moved the young Lady Wreckers to 4-2 on the season. A complete boxscore and scoring information on MMI was not made available.

**WEATHERLY AREA (55)** Gower 4 0-0 8, Gillott 2 1-2 5, DeSpirito 2 0-0 4, Ache 0 0-0 0, Peifer 6 2-5

straight win, and held a seventh consecutive opponent under 30 points as they rolled past visiting Weatherly Area in a Schuylkill League Division III game in Hometown. Marian (7-0 overall, 3-0 league) led 33-17 at the half, then pulled away with a 30-9 burst in the second half. Savanna Krusinsky scored a game-high 18

league play.

Marian won the junior varsity game 37-21.

**WEATHERLY AREA (26)** Zoscin 6 2-2 15, Hartz 0 0-0 0, Berger 1 1-2 3, Gillott 0 0-0 0, Peifer 3 0-2 6, Gower 1 0-0 2, Hoffman 0 0-0 0, Caravella 0 0-0 0, DeSpirito 0 0-0 0, Henry 0 0-0 0. Totals 11 3-6 26.

**MARIAN (63)** Whitecavage 3 1-1 8, Erbe 0 1-2 1, Correale 2 1-1 6, Schwabe 0 1-2 1, Agosti 1 0-2 2, Krusinsky 9 0-1 18, Raabe 4 4-4 12, Karnish 2 3-4 8, Stoyer 3 1-2 7. Totals 24 12-19 63.

**Weatherly Area.....4 13 6 3 - 26**  
**Marian.....15 18 9 21 - 63**

Three-pointers: Zoscin. Whitecavage, Correale, Karnish.

## Weatherly Girls Basketball Roundup

14, Caravella 2 0-0 4, Zoscin 3 0-2 7, Hoffman 1 0-0 2, Berger 5 0-0 11, Obert 0 0-0 0, Hartz 1 0-0 2, Henry 0 0-0 0. Totals: 25 3-9 55.

Three-pointers: Zoscin, Berger.

**Marian 63, Weatherly Area 26** - The Fillies notched their seventh

points to lead the Fillies, Brianna Raabe contributed 12, and Vanessa Whitecavage and Brenna Karnish each added eight points.

Zoscin scored 11 of her team-high 15 points in the second quarter for Weatherly, which slipped to 1-2 in

was the host Rams who outscored the Wreckers 13-4 in the fourth quarter to earn a berth in the championship game. Owen Petry scored a game-high 15 points for CMVT, while Duncan Heidler chipped in eight. Stover was the Wreckers' high scorer with 12 points, followed by Dillon Bizarre with eight.

**WEATHERLY AREA (27)** Moser 0 1-2 1, Stover 5 2-4 12, Bizarre 4 0-5 8, Moon 1 0-2 2, Buck 1 0-0 2, Zaremba 1 0-0 2. Totals 12 3-13 27.

**CMVT (31)** Heidler 4 0-0 8, Halye 1 1-2 3, Petry 5 5-5 15, Welsh 0 3-9 3, Pascol 0 2-2 2, Cameron 0 0-0 0, Wisniewski 0 0-2 0, King 0 0-2 0. Totals 10 11-22 31.

**Weatherly Area.....7 6 10 4 - 27**  
**CMVT.....4 11 3 13 - 31**

Three-pointers: None.

**Nativity 56, Weatherly Area 34** - Derek James scored 20 points, Ayden Adams added 12 and Nativity turned back the visiting Wreckers in a Schuylkill League Division III contest. James scored 11 of his points in the opening half as the Hilltoppers built a 24-14 halftime lead. With Adams scoring 10 points in the second half, Nativity held the Wreckers at bay. Zach Moon's 13 points and three triples led Weatherly.

**WEATHERLY AREA (34)** Moser 1 1-2 3, Bizzare 4 0-1 8, Moon 5 0-0 13, Buck 1 0-0 2, Peiser 4 0-2 8, Arthur 0 0-0 0, Stover 0 0-0 0, Yurchak 0 0-0 0, Berger 0 0-0 0, Hinkle 0 0-0 0, Osifat 0 0-0 0, Dempsey 0 0-0 0. Totals: 15 1-5 34.

**NATIVITY (56)** James 6 6-8 20, Adams 6 0-1 12, Szeliga 5 4-6 16, Evans 3 0-0 6, Shatalsky 1 0-0 2, Hunyara 0 0-0 0, Rushannon 0 0-0 0, White 0 0-0 0, Winter 0 0-0 0, Matlock 0 0-0 0. Totals: 21 10-15 56.

**Weatherly Area.....7 7 10 10 - 34**  
**Nativity BVM.....8 16 18 14 - 56**

Three-pointers: Moon 3, James 2, Szeliga 2.

**Marian 51, Weatherly Area 29** - In another Division III game played at Weatherly, John Woitko drilled four three-pointers and scored a game-high 20 points as the Colts held the Wreckers in check. Marian led by just six (26-20) at intermission, but held Weatherly to just nine second-half points and pulled away to the easy win. Ethan Kuczynski backed Woitko with 10 points and Aaron DeAngelo scored eight as the Colts snapped their four-game slide.

Zach Peiser finished with 10 points for the Wreckers.

**MARIAN (51)** Woitko 8 0-0 20, Puza 2 0-0 4, Kuczynski 3 4-5 10, Mohammed 1 1-1 3, Karchner 1 0-0 2, Paisley 2 0-0 4, DeAngelo 4 0-0 8, Inama 0 0-0 0, Cortese 0 0-0 0, J. Miller 0 0-0 0, Lentz 0 0-0 0, Paluck 0 0-0 0, Maylath 0 0-0 0, Collevachio 0 0-0 0, Myers 0 0-0 0, G. Myers 0 0-0 0. Totals 21 5-6 51.

**WEATHERLY AREA (29)** Moser 1 0-0 3, Stover 3 0-1 6, Moon 3 0-0 7, Buck 1 0-0 3, Peiser 5 0-0 10, Arthur 0 0-0 0, Bizarre 0 0-0 0, Yurchak 0 0-0 0, Zaremba 0 0-0 0, Berger 0 0-0 0. Totals 13 0-1 29.

**Marian.....13 13 19 6 - 51**  
**Weatherly Area.....8 12 7 2 - 29**

Three-pointers: Woitko. Moon, Moser, Buck.

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# Crestwood's Dessoie, Ackers can call themselves All-American

The awards keep pouring in for Crestwood field hockey players Hannah Ackers and Elizabeth Dessoie. Last Wednesday, the senior duo found themselves together once again - on the National Field Hockey Coaches Association All-American team. Dessoie was one of 16 players chosen to the All-American first team, while Ackers was picked for the third team.

The award capped an amazing senior season, both team-wise and individually, for the Comets tandem. After leading the Lady Comets to a fourth straight District 2 Class 2A championship and into the state semifinals, Dessoie and Ackers followed that up with selections to the all-state and all-region teams. Now they are All-Americans.

Dessoie, a midfielder who will play at the University of Maryland in the fall, finished the season with nine assists and 12 goals, none more important than her breakaway goal in the PIAA quarterfinals, breaking a scoreless tie and sending the Comets to the semifinal round.

The Michigan State-bound Ackers, whose play at midfield included 41 points (15 goals, 11 assists), concluded a brilliant four-year career in which she and Dessoie helped the team to four conference and district championships, three berths in the state finals and one state championship.

They will follow their older sisters into the Big 10 Conference next season. Chandler Ackers is a rising senior at Iowa, and Anna Dessoie is graduating from Maryland. For the Ackers and Dessoie families, and the Crestwood field hockey family, the beat goes on. It is proof once again that Crestwood field hockey players are among the best anywhere.

**WVC FOOTBALL ALL-STARS** - Speaking of all-stars, a trio of Crestwood football players have landed on the Wyoming Valley Conference Big School All-Star Football Team. Senior running back Tanner Kahlau, senior wide receiver Connor Sheloski, and junior defensive back Lance Blass were all selected to the

first team following a vote of the conference coaches earlier this month. The team was released last week.

Kahlau ran for more than 1,100 yards and 14 touchdowns in an amazing senior season. Sheloski was one of the conference's top receivers, and capped his senior year with an MVP performance in the annual UNICO All-Star Classic. The two were named to the first team offense. And Blass, an all-state selection at safety last season, continued his high caliber of play this season with 61 solo tackles and seven interceptions.

Wyoming Valley West, which went undefeated en route to the WVC and District 2 Class 4A championships before being eliminated by state finalist Parkland in the subregional final, dominated the all-star team. Pat Keating was named WVC Big School Coach of the Year, and two-way junior standout Sean Judge was selected as its Most Valuable Player. Coughlin's Jacob Soller and Berwick's Sean McCole were named the WVC's offensive and defensive MVPs, respectively.

**CURRY'S REPLACEMENT** - A month after George Curry stepped down at Berwick, the school board voted 7-2 last week to appoint Frank Sheptock as the new head coach of the school's storied football program. "We're losing a legendary coach, but I think we're replacing him with a great coach also," said Berwick su-

perintendent Wayne Brookhart.

Sheptock was a three-time All-American linebacker at Bloomsburg University after starring at Mount Carmel High School in the early 1980s. He was head coach at Wilkes University for 18 seasons before resigning in 2013 to become Berwick's athletic director, a position he still holds. He has huge shoes to fill.

Curry is Pennsylvania football's all-time leader with 455 coaching wins, 405 of them coming in 39 seasons

District 2 Class 3A title game in his final season, and many of those players return for another title run in 2016.

Sheptock said he is very proud to be at Berwick, and is ready to get to work. "Obviously I'm following a legendary coach, coach Curry, and it's a very proud program. I'm really looking forward to just rolling up our sleeves, get(ting) to work and looking forward to the 2016 season. We've got a great bunch of young men here with a very proud tradition of winning and success, and we

yet to see much more than a couple snowflakes thus far, and can't really get up and running without some of the white stuff, or at least colder temperatures where they can blow snow and keep it on the slopes. And based on weather predictions, it won't be a white Christmas as forecasts are calling for some rain - and temperatures in the mid-60s on Christmas Eve.

Although skiers, snow boarders and anyone who likes snow is sure to be upset, I'm all-too-happy to let this trend con-

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at Berwick, a program he built into a power and led to six state championships and three mythical national championships. Curry didn't lead the cupboard bare either. The Bulldogs went 9-3 and reached the

look forward to trying to maintain that."

**WHERE'S WINTER?** - The first official day of winter arrived on Monday, though you'd never know it by looking outside. Area ski resorts have

tinued for as long as possible. That said, here's wishing all our readers and their families a very happy and safe Christmas season, and a healthy and blessed new year in 2016!

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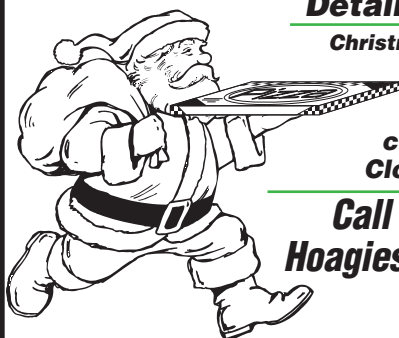
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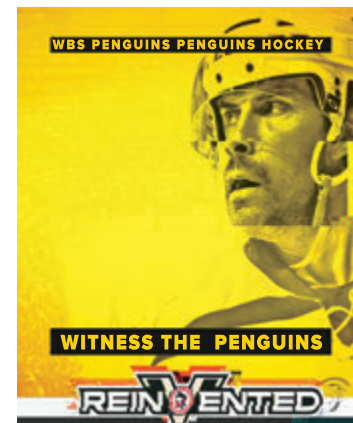
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