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EGGSTRA SPECIAL FUN: White Haven Easter Egg Hunt was Sunday at Lehigh Park. Everyone had fun — kids, parents, Easter Bunny. More pictures on our Facebook page.

JH: Stephanie Grega

St. Patrick's hosts Chapel of Four Chaplains ceremony

by Stephanie Grega

The Chapel of Four Chaplains is an organization that encourages cooperation and selfless service among all people. It honors the four he-

roic chaplains, and others, who lost their lives when the USAT Dorchester sank on February 3, 1943. On February 28, an awards ceremony took place at St. Patrick's

Church in White Haven.

The Chapel of Four Chaplains is an international non-profit organization dedicated in 1951 by President Harry Truman. It memorializ-

es the courageous act of four Army Chaplains who gave their lifejackets to others when the Troopship Dorchester was torpedoed, and honors the 672 men who perished. "It

stands for that selfless sacrifice" said Executive Director Christine Beady.

Legion of Honor awards were given in recognition of a level of exceptional selfless service that affects the lives and well-being of a large number of people on a national and international level, and contribute to the spirit of interfaith cooperation, and which goes above and beyond that required by ones professional or organizational positing. Humanitarian awards were also given.

Recognizing ordinary people for doing extraordinary things, these awards are given to an average of 200 people globally each year.

Executive Director Christine Beady invites everyone to visit the Chapel, which is located in Philadelphia. For more information, visit www.fourchaplains.org, or call 215-218-1943.



Front row- Gerald "Jerry" Gurnari – Legion of Honor Humanitarian Award; Robert DeJohn – Legion of Honor Award; Daniel Ravina – Legion of Honor Award; Margaret Simoson – Legion of Honor Award; Sandra Henning – Legion of Honor Award; Shari Roberts – Legion of Honor Award; Robert Palchanis, Jr. – Legion of Honor Humanitarian Award; James Curto – Member, Chapel of Four Chaplains Board of Directors; Michelle Nolfi, Administrative Coordinator, Chapel of Four Chaplains. Back row: Richard Henning- Legion of Honor Humanitarian Award; Father Michael Kloton; Thomas Shahbazian – Legion of Honor Award; Chief Thomas Szoke – Legion of Honor Award; James Surmick – Legion of Honor Award; Brian Dropinski – Legion of Honor Award; Pat King – Four Chaplains Regional Director; Frank Kennelly – Member, Chapel of Four Chaplains Board of Directors; Christine Beady – National Executive Director, Chapel of Four Chaplains; Mr. & Mrs. Don Williams – their son Eric Williams received the Chapel Honors Award posthumously for sacrificing his life in the line of duty. Not pictured are Joan Kennelly – Legion of Honor Award; Capt. Margaret Dropinski – Legion of Honor Award and Arthur Todd, Esq. – Legion of Honor Award. See more at pocononewspapers.com

JH: Stephanie Grega



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Editorial

A Day of Darkness

by Ruth Isenberg

The news Monday morning was bad. There had been explosions in Brussels—at the airport, on the subway. Eleven people had been killed, more injured.

It got worse as the day continued. More dead, more injured. More explosions, and more information about what could have happened that might have been even worse.

ISIS took credit for the carnage, which came one day after one of the men implicated in the Paris bombings was caught. It seems probable the plans for the attacks were being developed, but were put into motion because organizers feared authorities would learn of them from their prisoner, and stop them.

The terrible damage should move us to compassion. How can we help the victims? It should prompt our government to move quickly to aid our European allies in their fight against terrorism.

It should also prompt us to examine our own security in public places. Distasteful as submitting to searches when entering spaces where crowds gather may be, we'd better get used to it. Prevention may be the only avenue available to us right now.

From the Archives

From The Journal-Herald
March 21, 2012

Volunteers for the Weatherly Area Museum Project gathered at the Weatherly Train-Works' Dispatch Office for a donation of \$7,000 by the

Weatherly Rotary Foundation to Weatherly Borough for the renovation and reuse of this structure. The funds were raised through donations and fund raisers such as the Train-Works Festival and sale of promotional items like shirts

and hats. This building will become the Weatherly Area Museum, targeted to open in early summer

State Representative Tarah Toohil, Assistant District Attorney Jim McMonigle, and State Police Trooper Jim Surmick of Troop N's Criminal Investigation Unit were among those who spoke to the March meeting of Branden's Heart, held at the White Haven Presbyterian Church on Monday.

WH Awards Event honors Citizens of the Year

by Seth Isenberg

Next Friday at the Powerhouse Restaurant in White Haven will be the first-ever Awards Banquet of the Greater White Haven Chamber of Commerce. As of this writing, the room is near a sell out.

Excitement is building for the evening, which features music, the awards for business and citizens of the year, and the introduction of the first class of the White Haven area's Hall of Fame.

Honored this night will be pastor Glen Hueholt, who will also become a member of the

Hall of Fame. The business honoree is the White Haven McDonald's and owner Pat Stella, for the beautiful renovation of their Kidder Township location.

Nominations from the area's clubs and associations closed last week. The 2016 class of citizens of the year are Charlotte Carter, Ed Gower, Joyce Hergert, Robert Mengle, Katie O'Donnell, Gary Shupp, Linda Szoke, and Piero Zito.

The first class of the Hall of Fame will be pastor Hueholt, and businessman Ken Powley, as well as Earl Kresge,

George Seguine, Josiah White and John Lines.

The *Frickin' Adorable* duo of Jeremy and Audra DePrisco will offer music, and comedians Mike Stankiewicz and John Kensil will keep things light and fun.

Proceeds from the event will support GWHCoC's upcoming flower box project, future community improvement programs, the 2016 White Haven downtown Festival, this year's Christmas Tree fest and more. For information, call Seth at 570 443-9131 x302, or Linda at 570 582-9934.

From the Archives

From The Journal
March 9, 1967

The Boys of the Youth Forestry Camp #2 at Hickory Run State Park will hold an Easter Egg Hunt for area children ages 1 to 10 on Sunday, March 19. Refreshments will be served.

White Haven Borough Council decided that police will patrol the town dump when it's open on Saturdays.

Dennison Township's and White Haven's School Boards are opposed to a proposed jointure with the Wilkes-Barre School Board.

Efforts to prevent the Lehigh Valley Railroad from dumping 17 carloads of contaminated soil in Dennison Township "came to naught Tuesday, with a determination by the State Health Department that harmful water pollution would not result." This came to light when locals saw railroad em-

ployees digging trenches in an abandoned railroad bed about a mile from Penn Lake. The material began arriving Friday. Protests came from the township, Penn Lake Association, sportsmen's groups and local citizens. The soil was contaminated by chemicals spilled in a railroad wreck in New Jersey. It is reported to have an "obnoxious odor." It was originally planned to be dumped in a mine stripping in Ashmore, but that would have required a permit from the Department of Mines.

Cheeko and The Naturals, the show band of the land, performs "Music in Every Manner" at Jones Bar & Grill in White Haven this week.

Airman Richard Henning was promoted to Airman First Class on February 1. Henning has just returned from a tour of duty in Ethiopia. He is stationed at Turner AFB in Albany, GA.

From The Herald
March 1915

Tennis Club members are at work on the new clay tennis courts at Eurana Park in Weatherly. Cost for this is \$250. The Tennis Club invites new members to join for dues of \$1.50.

James Steward of R1 purchased a "heavy horse" from Evan Reese at Audenreid.

"Last Saturday, Mrs. Wilson Dietrich gave a rag party and there surely were smart women attending. They sewed six bags full of rag balls."

For 10¢ for women and children, 15¢ for men, you could cheer "Weatherly's quintette" in a (basketball) game at the American Hall on March 31 versus "a fast amateur team from Hazleton." Game called at 8:15.

Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Weatherly Area Community Library is seeking bids for roof replacement at the library at 1518 Brenkman Drive, Weatherly. Specifications may be obtained by contacting Sue Ann Gerhard, president Board of Trustees, at 570-582-0021. Bidders must supply proof of insurance. Sealed bids must be received at the library or by mail at PO Box 141, Weatherly PA 18255 by April 8, 2016. The Library reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Lehigh Twp. time change

Residents of Lehigh Township should note that as of April 4, the monthly meetings will start at 7 p.m. This will continue through October.

Many student honors noted at WASB March meeting

by Donnell Stump

Weatherly Area High School Principal Amanda Zarembo had the opportunity to honor several WAHS students for their recent accomplishments during the first school board meeting after her appointment, held March 9.

- The Math and Engineering team, including Samantha Knepper, Nikki Polivka, Marie Gunderman, Jesse Gehman, Jeremy Moser, Nick Berger and Joel Hinkle, took first place at a competition at Bucknell University.
- Alexis Hartz was named Senior of the Month for February.
- Jillian Bartel was crowned Miss Greater Hazleton Outstanding Teen.
- Jacob Sirkot and Keith Culen were recognized for their participation in the District 11 Swim Meet.
- Shelby Berger was honored for participation in Youth Arts Month activities.
- Sixteen members of the WAHS band participated in Carbon County Band.
- Jasmine Montalvo won the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board Alcohol Poster Contest. Her design will be made into posters and flyers to be used across Pennsylvania.

Elementary/Middle School Principal Sandra Slavick also recognized three students as Middle School Students of the Month for February—sixth grader Gianna Lowman; seventh grader Eric Walsh; and eighth grader Girard Fewins.

The board approved the resignation of Paul John Hadzick from his position as a full-time cleaning employee. That job is currently posted in-house. They also approved

Kevin Zarembo as a volunteer weight room supervisor.

Tanya Gordick and Jennifer Barnes were added to the cafeteria substitute list.

Weatherly Area Music Parents were given permission to host a Variety Bingo on Sunday, April 17. The Weatherly Area PTA was given the go-ahead for a Family Fun Movie Night on Friday, April 15.

The 2016-2017 school calendar was approved, with a school start date on August 29.

The Board denied Grievance 15-16-1.

The proposed Secondary Budget for the Carbon Career & Technical School was approved. Board Member Gerry Grega disagreed with CCTI carrying a fund balance. Because they are a non-taxing entity that bills the five participating school districts for services, he felt they should not bill for so much and carry a fund balance.

An agreement regarding taxes due from Stabilis Split Rock JV, LLC based on a reassessment gives the resort complex a refund of approximately \$37,000 on 2015 taxes, which will be applied to future taxes due.

The regular meeting was attended by all nine school board members, including Grega, Gerry Fewins, Amy Potsko, Chad Obert, Bill

Knepper, Brandon Pugh, Georgeann Herling, Matt von-Frisch and Corey Gerhart.

The next meeting of the Board will be the caucus meeting on Wednesday, April 6 starting at 7 p.m. The Curriculum and Technology Committee will meet at 6 p.m. that day. Both sessions will be held in the Middle School Large Group Instruction Room and are open to the public.

At the caucus meeting on March 2, Board President Gerry Fewins addressed *Standard-Speaker* reporter Maria Jacketti regarding a recent article about the hiring of the high school principal. Fewins alleged that the article was written taking the word of one board member. Further, Fewins disputed the claims that the hiring was "back door," saying that the vote was unanimous while noting the fact that the board member in question was not at the special meeting when the hiring took place. He also noted that the reporter was not at that meeting either. "It shed a negative light on the board, the district," Fewins said.

Jacketti was at the March 2 meeting, but declined to respond saying it was against the newspaper management's policy to make any comment during a public meeting. She noted that she could discuss the issue later.

Festival committee to meet

The Weatherly Festival committee met March 10. Applications for food and craft vendors are still available by calling Kathie at 570-427-3341 or at Dawn's Vinyl Designs, 103 Carbon Street, Weatherly.

Community service hours during the festival and the festival kickoff event are available to students. For more information, use the above contacts.

The next meeting will be held on April 14 at 7 p.m. at the borough building.

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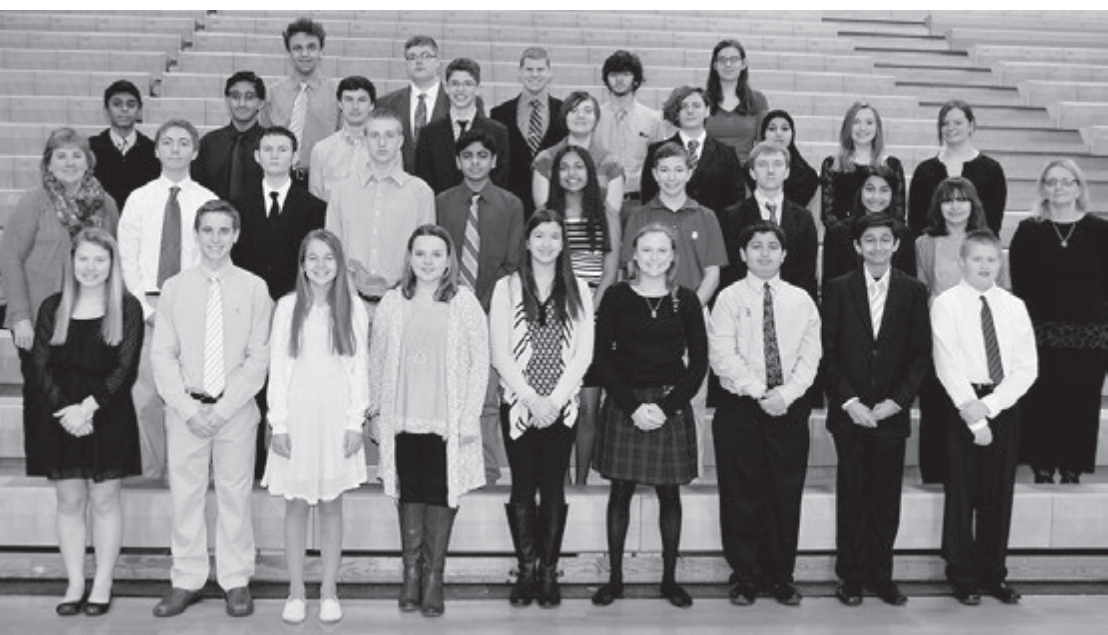
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Crestwood students excelled at Junior Academy of Science

Crestwood Students excelled at the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science regional meeting which was held at Wilkes University on March 5. Nineteen out of 36 students earned a First Award. Madison Weiss earned the Junior High Excellence Award in Behavioral Science with a perfect score, Nicole Joseph earned the Junior High Excellence Award in Botany, and Richard Supkowski earned a Scholarship to Wilkes University. Those first award winners advance to the State Meeting to be held at Penn State Main Campus in May. Pictured are: 1st row- Morghan Murphy, Nick Curry, Nicole Joseph, Victoria Harper, Emily Robert, Cortney Dashanko, Jay Bhavsar, Nihar Patel, Nicholas Matthews. 2nd row- Mrs. Michaline Harper, Faculty Advisor, Cataldo Lamarca, Aaron Kleger, Andrew Lehman, Dhruv Patel, Neha Metgud, Payton Glynn, Zachary Metzger, Priyal Patel, Alexandra Lipinski, Mrs. Jean Zanolini, Faculty Advisor. 3rd row- Shiv Patel, Prit Patel, Robert Shovlin, Erik Thomas, Laura Miller, Madison Weiss, Zarqua Ansari, Carlie Fulcher, Brooke Weiss. 4th row- Kevin Regep, Thomas Perillo, Richard Supkowski, Chase Riccio, Abigail Post. Absent from the photo were Rachel Rinehimer, Curtis Tokach, Korina Cheng, and Tim Gallagher.

NOTICE

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

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Zions Lutheran Church 150th celebration reservations needed

This year, Zions Evangelical Lutheran Church, 335 Third Street, Weatherly, will celebrate 150 years of ministry to the greater Weatherly Area. Former pastors and sons and daughters of the congregation will be guests at the celebration church service on April 17 at 10:45 a.m.

Before the service, a historical display will show the events that lead up to this celebration day. The Rev Dr. Samuel R. Zeiser, bishop of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod, and The Rev. Dawn Richie, Zions' pastor, will lead the 10:45 a.m. service, which will include a spe-

cial liturgy, special music and Holy Communion. Following the service at 1 p.m., a celebration dinner will be held at Capriotti's Event Venue in McAdoo.

Donna Meyer is taking reservations for the celebration dinner at Capriotti's; adult tickets are \$22, children 4-12 are \$18 and children under 3 are free. Please make reservations promptly as the deadline is March 31. Reservations and checks can be mailed to Zions Lutheran Church/anniversary, 335 Third Street, Weatherly, PA 18255. Any questions can be directed to Donna at 570-427-4904.

Join Us For Worship! Wishing Everyone a Happy Easter! Be Joyful in the Resurrection of Our Lord & Savior

Holy Thursday, 7 p.m.

Foot Washing
Holy Communion

Good Friday, 7 p.m.

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

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

Easter Morning Sunrise Service 7 a.m.

Celebration of the Resurrection of Our Lord and Saviour
Call 570-42704166 to confirm continuation of Sunday service at 10 a.m.

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1498 Quakake Road, Weatherly

All God's people are welcome!

Priest in charge: The Rev. Dr. Frank Stephen Sefchick
of the Diocese of All Saints

Skippy Dietz Rabies Clinic returns in April

The 21st annual Skippy Dietz Rabies Clinic will be held on April 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Lake Harmony Rescue Squad Building, 105 Lake Drive, Lake Harmony.

Shots for both dogs and cats will be available for \$12 per shot. All animals must be in a cage or on a leash.

The clinic is dedicated in memory of Sandi Dietz, who passed away November 2,

2008. Dietz spearheaded the clinic to combat rabies.

Carbon County Treasurer Ron Sheehan will be on hand to sell Carbon County dog licenses. All dogs 3 months and older must have a dog license. Licenses are also available by calling the treasurer's office.

Dr. Sharon Lachette of the White Haven Veterinary Hospital will again donate her time to administer the inoculations.

The rescue squad building is located 1.4 miles west of

Route 903, next to Shenanigans Restaurant.

For more information, call 570-722-1782.

Walk in Weatherly for Diabetes Awareness

The first Community Walk for Diabetes Awareness in memory of Mary Gutosky will be held in June, starting at Tweedle Park & Playground, 70 Franklin Street, Weatherly.

Registration/check-in will be held the day of the walk, June 18, beginning

at 8 a.m. The walk starts at 9:30 a.m.

Registration may be done the day of the walk, but may also be done in advance at this website, www.diabetes.org/communitywalk under "Mary Poppins" Gutosky Memorial Walk. More information

will be posted on "Mary Poppins Gutosky Memorial Walk" on Facebook.

Vendors and volunteers are needed, please contact Susan Gutosky Prusak at 570-436-1273 or Bonnie Gutosky Torre at 570-582-7791 for more information.

Veterans Corner by John Kearns

It "may not" be your funeral

A funeral is a ceremony for honoring, respecting, sanctifying, the life of a person who has died to provide an opportunity for the living to show respect for the deceased and pay tribute to their life. It provides a framework to freely and openly express our beliefs, feelings, and thoughts about the death of our loved one. It gives us permission to grieve our loss, share in solidarity, and gain strength from others who are experiencing the same loss. Yes, it is the thing no one wants to talk about, or even think about, but it is also required.

Funerals vary from a simple burying to an elaborate State Funeral. Once the

flame of life goes out and the spirit leaves if that is your belief, there is little left and no matter what is done it can only slow down the final return to dust.

Once gone, the only say in the matter is final requests or to put them in a will. A second option is to pre-arrange with a funeral director. Many people have plans allowing payments well in advance of the day to lessen the cost, as well as to take the arrangements out of the grieving family's hands. The point is, your funeral is just that. If you leave no requests, none will be carried out. So if you want to know before you go, you better make a plan.

Veteran Military Funerals:

Veterans are guaranteed a few things without asking: a military dignified service, a gun salute of honor and a folded American flag with some of the spent rounds tucked inside. But if not made known, the family may not know to make the request to the area veterans organizations, the military branch or funeral director.

Eulogies:

(yooh-luh-jees) - words of praise, often for a dead person. I am often asked who gets one and who does not. The answer is anyone can have a eulogy. More eulogy requests are made from the more senior veterans than the younger ones. The reason that so many of this era of veterans ask for one, is because in the brutal combat conditions, friends and family were not available. In the face of so

many battle deaths, eulogies for their comrades were common and part of daily life and memories remain. Many could not be returned home due to war and air transportation of the time.

At a military funeral, eulogies carry guidelines, and must be prepared in advance. They cannot exceed a word limit, can contain no wording contrary to the person, the service or the nation. In addition, a copy must be delivered to the funeral director and the senior military official conducting the service in adequate time for review and inclusion. Veteran service officers can assist with the composition.

A recommendation is preparing one before you need it. Give it to a family member or friend, or where your last will is located. This last wish does not replace a legal will.

Special Requests: Veterans of World War II and Ko-

rea come to me with special requests as I help them compose the eulogy they desire. WWII veterans of the 101st Airborne - "The Screaming Eagles" - for example, suffered high casualties in battles. For those who survived, an Eagle Mascot flag was always flown over the rows of coffins at the close of the ceremony. It was believed to carry the spirits of the fallen upward. For many today, it remained a part of their life and they desired the same for them as their comrades they left in France, Germany and other nations.

So if you want nothing, say nothing, but if you do want to have a say in the final call, make it known.

In closing, some want to discuss the time for a funeral but do not feel comfortable. In this case, talk to someone you can feel comfortable with; friends, your clergy, a veteran's chaplain, or a veterans service officer. Also Funeral Directors are very knowledgeable and are well versed in the execution of a military funeral. They know who to call and all the details, so are a planning resource.

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White Haven UMC Easter Week services

The White Haven United Methodist Church will hold the following Easter Week Services: Holy Thursday (March 24) Church Service at 7 p.m.; Good Friday (March 25) Church Ser-

vice at 7 p.m.; Easter Sunday (March 27) Sunrise Church Service in the prayer garden at 7 a.m., a Traditional Church Service at 9 a.m., and a Contemporary Church Service at 11 a.m.

The White Haven United Church is located on Buffalo St. For more information, call Pastor Sarah Fernsler at 570-443-7153.

WH Food Pantry thanks WH Market and its customers

The White Haven Food Pantry sincerely thanks the White Haven Market, owner Mark Tochach, Diane George, and all the other employees, for their efforts in the \$5 Best Wishes program. The Pantry and the WH Market also thanks their customers for their generosity in purchasing the bags. Without them, this program would not have been so successful.

During one week in March, the White Haven Market sponsored a \$5 Best Wishes bag to benefit the White Haven Food Pantry. Each bag contained Best Yet product brands of mac & cheese, chunk lite tuna, instant potatoes pouch, chicken noodle soup, long grain rice and a can of whole kernel corn. Customers of the market donated \$5 to purchase a bag, and the Market then assembled the items to give to the Pantry. The retail value of the 189 do-



nated bags was \$1,134.

The WH Food Pantry currently has 85 families enrolled. The Pantry is open the first 4 Fridays of every month, from

10 a.m. to noon. For further information regarding eligibility to participate in the Pantry program, please call 1-570-507-7444.

Easter Dawn service at Brainerd

Historic Brainerd Church will hold a non-denominational Easter dawn service on March 27 at 7 a.m. Pastor Kim Eckrote will lead the service, and area musician Bob Brubaker will be the organist.

While the historic church will be illuminated by candles, there will be heat for the service.

For more information, call Duane Hildebrand, president, at 570-233-5949 or visit on Facebook at Historic Brainerd Church & Cemetery Association.

VFW hosts night of music

The White Haven VFW 6615 will have a night of music with the "Lost Boys" on April 2 from 6:30 to 10 p.m. There is no cover charge and the public is welcome.

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CHS student awarded for Psychology study



Laura Miller of White Haven received a pin and was awarded 1st Place on March 5 at the 2016 Region 2 Meeting at Wilkes University for her Psychology Study on Social Media. Laura is a 10th grade student at Crestwood High School.

Junior Comets registration

The Mountain Top Junior Comets football and cheerleading programs will accept registrations on March 26 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Crestwood High School cafeteria.

WHITE HAVEN THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 27
Easter

Monday, March 28
W.H. Borough Council Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Municipal Building
Every Thursday & Monday Except Holidays
Joy Through Movement – 10:00 a.m. – W.H. United Methodist Church
Every First & Third Thursday Except Holidays
Scrabble Club – 6:30 p.m. – White Haven Area Community Library
Every Friday Except Fifth Friday & Holidays
W.H. Food Pantry – 10:00 a.m. to Noon – Rear, Hickory Hall, White Haven Center

Every Friday, Monday & Wednesday Except Holidays
Free Community Lunch – Serving 11:30 a.m. to Noon – St. Paul's Lutheran Parish Hall
Every Saturday
Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – St. Patrick's Parish Center
Every Sunday
Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Mountainview Community Church
Every Tuesday
Al-Anon Meeting – 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. – Presbyterian Church of W.H.
Every Third Tuesday Except Holidays
Book Club – 7:00 p.m. – White Haven Area Community Library
Every Wednesday Except Holidays
Stretch & More – 10:00 a.m. – St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Sunday, March 27

Easter

Thursday, March 31

Weatherly Rotary Club Dinner Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – Weatherly Country Inn

Every Thursday

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

Weatherly Music Parents looking for volunteers

The Weatherly Area Music Parents are looking for volunteers to help at the Variety Bingo to be held on April 17.

High School students who are in the band or chorus are encouraged to volunteer for community service hours.

Parents are also encouraged to assist by either volunteering, donating a Bingo prize, door prize or raffle item, or making a food donation for the event.

Please contact one of the Music Parents' officers, Missy Isom, Rhonda Polivka, Donnell Stump, or Judi Kunkle to volunteer.

The next Music Parents meetings will be held on April 11 at 3:05 p.m. and April 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the middle school band room.

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All are welcome. Please come as you are. No need to dress up.

Good Friday Service at the Waterfall Park across from the post office is scheduled for 1 p.m. Proceed to the Centenary

Methodist Church for a Prayer Service after.

The Easter Celebration will be held at 11 a.m., with special music by Lynea Reiner, Mary Scheib, and Connie Rayno.

Easter services in Weatherly this week

Salem United Church of Christ will hold a Maundy Thursday Tenebrae service on March 24 at 7 p.m. in the upstairs Sunday school room.

On Good Friday, March 25, Jesus' Seven Last Words service will begin at 1 p.m. at the waterfall park. A prayer service will follow at Centenary United

Methodist Church.

St. Matthew's Union Church, Quakake Road, Packer Township will hold a Tenebrae service on Good Friday at 6 p.m.

Tweedle Park upcoming events news

There will not be any bingo today, March 24, at Tweedle Park. Bingo will resume on April 14.

On March 31 there will be a special meeting discussing the Annual Tweedle Park Day. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. and anyone interested in helping is encouraged to attend.

Please save the date for the

2016 Annual Tweedle Park Days on June 24 and 25. The event will be open from 5-10 p.m. on Friday, and features

DJ George Rittenhouse. Event hours are from 4-10 p.m. on Saturday with DJ Scott Carnish.

Unbaked pizza sale

Centenary United Methodist Church, Weatherly, will hold an unbaked pizza sale on April 22 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., and 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Cost is \$9 for cheese pizza, and \$1 extra for pepperoni or extra cheese.

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Deadline for orders is April 17.

Our Lady of Lourdes Easter Egg hunt

Our Lady of Lourdes Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Plane Street, Weatherly will hold an Easter egg hunt on March 26

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The annual tradition of the blessing of Easter baskets will follow in the church at 1 p.m.



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MARCH 25, Friday — Unbaked Pizza Sale, sponsored by American Legion Auxiliary Unit 360, Weatherly

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

APRIL 1, Friday — Clothing Giveaway, sponsored by Freeland Presbyterian Church (first Friday of every month)

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

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

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

APRIL 10 Sunday — Breakfast, sponsored by Silver Ridge Hunting Club, Weatherly

APRIL 12, Tuesday — White Haven Area Community Library Annual Meeting



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APRIL 26, Tuesday — Election Day Dinner, sponsored by White Haven United Methodist Church

APRIL 30, Saturday — Hops & Grapes Event, sponsored by White Haven Area Community Library

Designer Purse bingo

Carbon Builders Association, a non-profit, will be holding their annual bingo on April 2 at the Mahoning Valley Ambulance Corp. which is located at 902 Mill Rd. Lehigh, PA 18235.

This year's event will feature prizes of authentic designer purses and handbags by Coach, Vera Bradley, and Michael Kors.

Doors and kitchen open at 5 p.m., and bingo starts at 6

p.m. Food and refreshments will be available for purchase. Tickets cost \$30 and seating is limited.

There will be 25 games (20 regular & 5 specials), raffles, door prizes, and basket raffles. Kids are welcome at this event.

For advance ticket purchase, or to reserve your seats for groups of 6 or more, please call 610-379-1099.

Friendship Club News

by Marjorie Lou Anthony

The regular meeting of the Weatherly Senior Citizens Friendship Club was held Thursday, March 10 at 1:30 p.m. in Salem U.C.C. President Marjorie Lou Anthony welcomed 18 members, including one new member, Terri Warnageris. Chaplain Theresa D'Andrea read *Psalm 121*, followed by the "Lord's Prayer" and Pledge of Allegiance.

As outreach person, President Anthony reported sending "thinking of you" cards to Rachael Setzer and Grace Hensel, a get-well card to Karen Allen, a birthday card to JoAnn Zynel and an anniversary card to Bob and Barbara Tissier. If you know of any of our members who are ill or have lost a family member, please call President Anthony at 570-443-7736.

Membership person Jane Wiskoski asked if someone else could take over her job at this time, and Georgeann Herling was gracious enough to say she would do it — thank you! A thank you card was also sent to Jane for all her years as our membership person.

Tip coordinator Karen Allen reported on coming trips. If you want to know more about them please call her at 570-956-5780. More will also be published in *The Journal-Herald*.

We are going to see about having our spring banquet on Thursday, May 12. We thank Joe D'Andrea for getting the pavilion at the park for our

picnic on Thursday, June 23 and our corn roast on Thursday, August 25. People are working on those activities — thank you!

There will be no meeting on March 24. The next meeting will be on Thursday, April 14 at Salem U.C.C. The committee will be Karen Hischar and the Tissiers.

We all sang "happy birthday" to JoAnn Zynel. Chaplain D'Andrea read a poem,

"Because I'm Human."

The refreshment committee - Joan Chambers, Saxon Brazzillo and Ray Wilkinson — served delicious whipped pudding chocolate filled cookies (a type of German cookie that looked like a little windmill), pretzels and candy.

Bingo was enjoyed by all. Don't forget there will be no meeting on March 24. We want to wish everybody a Happy Easter!

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

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St. Patrick's Day party at Weatherwood

Weatherwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center residents enjoyed a festive St. Patrick's Day party last week.

The activities department hosted the event, which included dancing, music, and St. Patrick's Day themed refreshments.



Weatherwood resident Douglas Christman dances with Activities Director Paula Mengle.



Photos by Stephanie Grega

Upcoming Events at the Coxe House

May 8- Mother's Day Tea – 4 p.m.

Treat your Mother to a high Victorian Tea at the beautiful Sophia Coxe house. You and your Mom will be served your choice of delicious soup, an assortment of Victorian finger sandwiches, dessert along with tea. Cost is \$20 per person.

May 15-Straw Bale Gardening – noon

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May 21- Local Art Exhibit- 1 to 4 p.m.

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Seth's Sightings by Seth Isenberg

Ah, springtime. Winter temperatures returned at precisely the wrong time on the calendar and kept our St. Patrick's weekend chilled. Mugs were naturally frosted. Mother Nature blew chills up kilts. It was a nice day, and a nice week.

On Sunday while Ruth and I were shopping, we passed by a fellow shopper who was kilted up. He wore a T-shirt and really nice plaid kilt, and my first thought was a smile for St. Patrick's Day celebrants, and my second thought was "Brrrrrrrr."

Our week was more dominated by Penguins than Leprechauns. The WBS Penguins won both games over the weekend against archrival Hershey, so our locals are now tied for first place and have the playoffs in our sights. If the team keeps winning, and some of our rivals

lose, our playoff position will be settled. There are home games Saturday and Tuesday. Come and enjoy a taste of the playoffs before the playoffs.

We are members of Rotary International. This past weekend, we attended an officers training program in Hanover, New Jersey, to get us ready for the next year. We learned what's new, and enjoyed exchanging news and ideas with clubs from PA, NJ and southern NY. The event tied us up all of Friday and most of Saturday, but the hotel was close by where my Uncle Slater works so we got to see him on Friday after the afternoon sessions wrapped up, and then again for a quick visit at his home on our way back to the Poconos on Saturday. On our way, we found gasoline at \$1.53 a gallon.

From my uncle's, we drove directly to the Kalahari Resort to attend the first ever Greater Pocono Home & Outdoor Living Show — and found it packed. It was great. The show filled the convention room and spread into the hall where this newspaper has a table. We walked the show and visited the booths, talking with many of the exhibitors. Then we worked at our table a bit, returning Sunday to do so again. It was good to meet

some of our readers as they stopped by.

Saturday after we left the show, we headed into Wilkes-Barre to try to resolve an issue with my Sprint cell phone before going to that night's hockey game. No luck — Sprint customer service won't allow the local store to fix the problem. It looks like I have a few hours more of phone calls to them before this resolves — no fun.

Sunday, after our time at the Home & Outdoor Living Show, we stopped in to catch some of the 40 Story Radio Tower show at the Mauch Chunk Opera House in Jim Thorpe.

On our driving this weekend, we sighted blooms on the forsythia bushes in New Jersey, and some spring flowers adding color here and there. With more spring like temperatures, we may see some red buds on the hardwood trees soon.

I am diving into March Madness as it comes to women's college basketball. The Lady Huskies look great so far. With the men's side, I like some of the underdogs. I am also looking at the college ice hockey playoffs. One lucky local that I talked with is taking their family to Albany this weekend to see three of the games.

The Game of Thrones is now on our Netflix list, having just come available from last season. Time to catch our favorite characters to see what troubles they are in, or are due for. The

filmmakers have reached the end of the books, so it's all new for everyone after that point ... dragons, walking dead, heroes, and lots and lots of villains...

And, there's the presidential primary season to watch, too.

Sad news from Brussels. Keep alert everyone. Kind of an odd/cool vibe about the President in Cuba. Ruth and I want to go there some time soon, so here's hoping Cuba opens up to tourism soon.

This weekend, we plan to get our English pointer, Chess, out for some hiking and long walks since she didn't get any of those due to the Rotary training and the Home Show. We are hoping to take a long ride Easter afternoon, perhaps even for a picnic.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF PENNSYLVANIA

The following are true and correct copies of joint resolutions of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania proposing two amendments to the Constitution of Pennsylvania. Consistent with the procedures prescribed by Article XI, Section 1 of the Constitution, the General Assembly first proposed the amendments during the 2013 session and approved them for a second time during the 2015 session of the legislature. As required by Article XI, Section 1 of the Constitution and statutory law, the Secretary of the Commonwealth has caused the proposed amendments to be published here.

Pursuant to law, the Secretary of the Commonwealth will submit the proposed amendments to the electors of Pennsylvania in the form of two ballot questions at the General Primary to be held on April 26, 2016. If a ballot question is approved by a majority of electors voting on it, the corresponding amendment becomes part of the Constitution.

Those parts of the joint resolutions that appear in **bold print** are the words of the Constitution that are proposed by the General Assembly for addition or deletion. If an amendment were approved, the words

underlined would be added to the Constitution and the words in brackets (e.g., [**Constitution**]) would be deleted. The unbolded words would remain unchanged in the Constitution.

Following the proposed amendments is the text of the questions that will be placed on the ballot. Below each question is a “Plain English Statement” prepared by the Office of Attorney General, and published as required by law, indicating the purpose, limitations and effects of the ballot question upon the people of this Commonwealth.

Anyone who needs help reading this advertisement or who needs the text of the proposed amendments in an alternative format may call or write the Pennsylvania Department of State, Bureau of Commissions, Elections and Legislation, Room 210 North Office Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120, (717) 787-5280, ra-BCEL@pa.gov.

Pedro A. Cortés, Secretary of the Commonwealth

JOINT RESOLUTION 2015-1

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for compensation and retirement of justices, judges and justices of the peace.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby resolves as follows:

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with Article XI:

That section 16(b) of Article V be amended to read:

§ 16. Compensation and retirement of justices, judges and justices of the peace.

(b) Justices, judges and justices of the peace shall be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of **[70] 75** years. Former and retired justices, judges and justices of the peace shall receive such compensation as shall be provided by law. Except as provided by law, no salary, retirement benefit or other compensation, present or deferred, shall be paid to any justice, judge or justice of the peace who, under section 18 or under Article VI, is suspended, removed or barred from holding judicial office for conviction of a felony or misconduct in office or conduct which prejudices the proper administration of justice or brings the judicial office into disrepute.

Section 2. (a) Upon the first passage by the General Assembly of this proposed constitutional amendment, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of this proposed constitutional amendment.

(b) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of this proposed constitutional amendment, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of this proposed constitutional amendment. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall submit this proposed constitutional amendment to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth at the first primary, general or municipal election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and which occurs at least three months after

the proposed constitutional amendment is passed by the General Assembly.

**PROPOSED
CONSTITUTIONAL
AMENDMENT 1
AMENDING THE
MANDATORY JUDICIAL
RETIREMENT AGE**

Ballot Question

Shall the Pennsylvania Constitution be amended to require that justices of the Supreme Court, judges and justices of the peace (known as magisterial district judges) be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years, instead of the current requirement that they be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 70?

**Plain English Statement
of the Office of Attorney
General**

The purpose of the ballot question is to amend the Pennsylvania Constitution to require that justices, judges and justices of the peace (known as magisterial district judges) be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years.

Presently, the Pennsylvania Constitution provides that justices, judges and justices of the peace be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 70 years. Justices of the peace are currently referred to as magisterial district judges.

If the ballot question were to be approved, justices, judges and magisterial district judges would be retired on the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years rather than the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 70 years.

This amendment to the mandatory retirement age would be applicable to all judges and justices in the Commonwealth, including the justices of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, judges of the Commonwealth Court, Superior Court, county courts of common pleas, community courts, municipal courts in the City of Philadelphia, and magisterial district judges.

The ballot question is limited in that it would not amend any other provisions of the Pennsylvania Constitution related to the qualification, election, tenure, or compensation of the justices, judges or magisterial district judges.

The effect of the ballot question would be to allow all justices, judges, and magisterial district judges to remain in office until the last day of the calendar year in which they attain the age of 75 years. This would permit all justices, judges, and magisterial district judges to serve an additional five years beyond the current required retirement age.

JOINT RESOLUTION 2015-2

Proposing integrated amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, eliminating the Traffic Court of Philadelphia.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby resolves as follows:

Section 1. The following integrated amendments to the Constitution of Pennsylvania are proposed in accordance with Article XI:

(1) That section 1 of Article V be amended to read:

§ 1. Unified judicial system.

The judicial power of the Commonwealth shall be vested in a unified judicial system consisting of the Supreme Court, the Superior Court, the Commonwealth Court, courts of common pleas, community courts, municipal **[and traffic]** courts in the City of Philadelphia, such other courts as may be provided by law and justices of the peace. All courts and justices of the peace and their jurisdiction shall be in this unified judicial system.

(2) That the heading and subsection (c) of section 6 of Article V be amended to read:

§ 6. Community courts; Philadelphia Municipal Court **[and Traffic Court]**.

(c) In the City of Philadelphia there shall be a municipal court **[and a traffic court]**. The number of judges and the jurisdiction **[of each]** shall be as provided by law. **[These courts] This court** shall exist so long as a community court has not been established or in the event one has been discontinued under this section.

(3) That subsection (d) of section 10 of Article V be amended to read:

§ 10. Judicial administration.

(d) The Chief Justice and president judges of all courts with seven or less judges shall be the justice or judge longest in continuous service on their respective courts; and in the event of his resignation from this position the justice or judge next longest in continuous service shall be the Chief Justice or president judge. The president judges of all other courts shall be selected for five-year terms by the members of their respective courts, **[except that the president judge of the traffic court in the City of Philadelphia shall be appointed by the Governor]**. A Chief Justice or president judge may resign such position and remain a member of the court. In the event of a tie vote for office of president judge in a court which elects its president judge, the Supreme Court shall appoint as president judge one of the judges receiving the highest number of votes.

(4) That subsection (b) of section 12 of Article V be amended to read:

§ 12. Qualifications of justices, judges and justices of the peace.

(b) **[Judges of the traffic court in the City of Philadelphia and justices] Justices** of the peace shall be members of the bar of the Supreme Court or shall complete a course of training and instruction in the duties of their respective offices and pass an examination prior to assuming office. Such courses and examinations shall be as provided by law.

(5) That subsection (a) of section 15 of Article V be amended to read:

§ 15. Tenure of justices, judges and justices of the peace.

(a) The regular term of office of justices and judges shall be ten years and the regular term of office for judges of the municipal court **[and traffic court]** in the City of Philadelphia and of justices of the peace shall be six years. The tenure of any justice or judge shall not be affected by

changes in judicial districts or by reduction in the number of judges.

Section 2. (a) Upon the first passage by the General Assembly of these proposed constitutional amendments, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of these proposed constitutional amendments.

(b) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of these proposed constitutional amendments, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of these proposed constitutional amendments. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall submit the proposed constitutional amendments under section 1 of this resolution to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth as a single ballot question at the first primary, general or municipal election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and which occurs at least three months after the proposed constitutional amendments are passed by the General Assembly.

**PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL
AMENDMENT 2**

**ABOLITION OF THE PHILADELPHIA
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Ballot Question

Shall the Pennsylvania Constitution be amended to abolish the Philadelphia Traffic Court?

**Plain English Statement of the Office of
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The purpose of the ballot question is to amend the Pennsylvania Constitution to abolish the Traffic Court in the City of Philadelphia.

Presently, the Pennsylvania Constitution provides for the Traffic Court in the City of Philadelphia as part of the unified judicial system. If the ballot question were to be approved, the Traffic Court in the City of Philadelphia would be abolished by removing all references to the Traffic Court and the judges of the Traffic Court in the City of Philadelphia from the Pennsylvania Constitution.

Legislation enacted in 2013 transferred the functions performed by the Traffic Court to the Philadelphia Municipal Court. As a result, violations of the Vehicle Code previously adjudicated by the Traffic Court are presently being adjudicated by the Philadelphia Municipal Court. The proposed amendment would officially abolish the Traffic Court by removing all references to the Traffic Court and its judges from the Pennsylvania Constitution.

This ballot question is limited to whether the Traffic Court in the City of Philadelphia should be abolished. The ballot question would not amend any other provisions of the Pennsylvania Constitution beyond the removal of all references to the Traffic Court and its judges.

The effect of the ballot question would be to abolish the Traffic Court in the City of Philadelphia. As discussed above, legislation enacted in 2013 transferred the functions of the Traffic Court to the Philadelphia Municipal Court. This amendment would officially abolish the Traffic Court by removing all references to the Traffic Court and its judges from the Pennsylvania Constitution.

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Valley outlasts Tamaqua for Black Diamond Classic title

Valley held off Tamaqua for a 35-32 victory in Sunday's championship game to capture the annual Black Diamond Classic youth basketball tournament at the Weatherly Pavilion.

Results from the four-day tournament are as follows, starting with the opening round.

Thursday's Results
Freeland White 13, Mountain Top 12 - Freeland White sprinted to a 10-3 halftime lead, then held off a late Mountain Top charge to escape with the one-point win in the tourney opener. Gavin Bettine and Darrian Haraschak topped the young Northsiders with four points each and Ryan Racho added three.

Jack Novelli led all scorers with five and Maggie Modrousky pitched in with three for Mountain Top.

Freeland Red 33, Mahanoy Area 30 - Freeland Red saw an eight-point, fourth-quarter lead trimmed to one with 48 seconds left, but hung tough to pull out the victory. Brendan Brobst paced a balanced scoring attack with 10, Carsyn Chambers netted eight and Gavin Perkowsky six for Freeland. Jace Yedsena scored nine of his game-high 11 in the frantic fourth quarter for Mahanoy Area. Tanner Zawada was close behind with eight and Brady Alansky rimmed five for the Bears.

Friday's Results
Panther Valley 40, Freeland White 28 - Panther Valley outscored Freeland White by 16 points in the middle quarters to pull away for a win. Chase Weaver finished with a game-high 13 points while teammate Stephen Hood joined him in double-figures with 10. Drew Kokinda chipped in with nine for the Panthers. Ryan Racho connected on 11 points to lead Freeland, Drian Haraschak added seven and Dominic Marino finished with four points.

Valley 44, Shamokin 43 - Richie Rossi netted a game-high 18 points and hit the would-be game-winning shot as Valley edged Shamokin. Luke Gennaro added 13 points and Jake Perhonitch chipped in six for Valley who trailed by as many as nine in the fourth quarter. Case Lichty and Rylan Price led Shamokin with 11 and 10 points, respectively. Nathan Gallagher and Hunter Wertz scored eight apiece.

Saturday's Results
Tamaqua 36, Jim Thorpe 26 - Connor Dillon fired in 15 and Cooper Ansbach 11 as the junior Raiders streaked past the Olympians. Evan Fikentscher shared game scoring honors with 15 and Noah Rosahac added six points in the loss.

Freeland Red 40, Southern 25 - The winners sprinted to a 14-6 lead after one and cruised past Southern. Gavin Perkowsky tallied a team-high 21 points and Carsyn

Black Diamond Classic Roundup

Chambers was next with nine for the Red. Jacob Hoy and Isaac Carter had nine and eight points, respectively for the Tigers.

Shamokin 55, Mountain Top 9 - The Purple Haze used a 21-2 first quarter burst to ease past a very young Mountain Top squad. Rylan Price led all scorers with 13 and Hunter Wertz banged in 12 for Shamokin. Tommy Biscotti rimmed four, Dante Schwartz had three and Donte Fanelli added a basket for Mountain Top, which was eliminated with the loss.

Mahanoy Area 35, Jim Thorpe 25 - The Bears needed a 15-7 final quarter to get past Jim Thorpe and knock them from the tourney. Tanner Zawada's nine led Mahanoy's balanced scoring attack. Brady Alansky and Jace Yedsena had eight each. Evan Fikentscher led all scorers with 12, while Ben Goldberg and Noah Rosahac added four points each for Jim Thorpe.

Valley 45, Panther Valley 33 - The Warriors stunned the Panthers with an 18-3 final quarter to stay unbeaten. Richie Rossi rimmed a game-best 22 points, Luke Gennaro scored 13, while Antonio Doganiero scored all eight of his points in the fourth for Valley. Stephen Hood muscled in a team-high 20 for PV. Chase Weaver and Drew Kokinda tossed in six and five points, respectively.

Tamaqua 56, Freeland Red 43 - Deadlocked at 12 after one, Tamaqua opened up a seven-point halftime edge and steadily pulled away to hand Freeland its first loss. Connor Dillon poured in 26 points to top the Raiders and Cooper Ansbach finished with 16 for the winners, who advanced to the tournament semifinals. Carsyn Chambers also scored 26 to pace Freeland, while Gavin Perkowsky hit 13 points.

Shamokin 52, Southern 19 - Hunter Wertz poured in 20 and Shamokin had little trouble in ushering Southern from the tournament. Case Lichty netted 11 and

Noah Shimko had eight points in the victory. Jonas Bettleyon topped the Tigers with nine points and Jacob Hoy pitched in with four.

Mahanoy Area 37, Freeland White 25 - The Bears remained alive, opening up a 34-17 lead after three to upend Freeland, thus eliminating the White. Dylan Davidson muscled in 12 points to lead all scorers, while Jace Yedsena and Ethan Manley both scored eight. Darian Haraschak led the young, scrappy and promising Freeland team with eight. Ryan Racho and Bryce Veet followed with six and five points, respectively.

Sunday's Results
Panther Valley 45, Shamokin 34 - The Panthers used a 25-12 scoring bulge in the middle quarters to eliminate Shamokin. Chase Weaver led all scorers with 14, while Hood and Kokinda joined him in doubles with 11 each. Price led the Purple Haze with 13 and Gallagher dropped in seven.

Mahanoy Area 32, Freeland Red 27 - The Bears broke away from a 10-all tie after one, outscoring Red 16-10 through three to remain alive and knock the Northsiders from contention. Alansky showed the way with eight points, Zawada added seven, while Yedsena and Dylan Davidson rimmed six each. Chambers finished a stellar tournament with eight points, and Bruce Hopeck banged in six for Freeland Red.

Valley 47, Tamaqua 36 - In the winner's bracket final, the War-

riors reached the title game by building a 41-22 advantage entering the fourth to hand Tamaqua its first loss. Rossi's 23 points topped all scorers. Gennaro and Doganiero completed the scoring with 14 and 10 points, respectively. Dillon bested the Raiders with 22 and Luke Kane netted six points.

Panther Valley 44, Mahanoy Area 27 - Ahead 25-20 at intermission, PV broke the game open with a 14-3 third quarter blitz to defeat MA and usher the Bears from the tournament. Kokinda led all scorers with 14, Chase Weaver hit for 11 and Hood tallied 10 points for the victors. Alansky topped the Bears with eight, followed by Zawada with seven and Yedsena with six.

Tamaqua 44, Panther Valley 41 - In the loser's bracket final, Tamaqua twice overcame seven-point deficits, ending the game on a 14-7 run to get to the title game and end the Panthers' impressive tourney showing. Dillon took game scoring honors with 19, Ansbach canned 10 and Noah Mateyak, who hit the eventual game-winning basket, finished with nine. PV big man Hood scored 15, Weaver had 12 and Kokinda eight.

Tamaqua 40, Valley 36 - In the title round, the once-beaten Raiders opened up the game on a 12-0 tear and held off every charge Valley could muster to force the "if" game with the win. Dillon had a game-best 20 points and Mateyak joined him in doubles with 12 for Tamaqua. Rossi topped Valley with 16, while Gennaro and James Reimold added six points each.

Valley 35, Tamaqua 32 - Valley built a 25-13 halftime lead, saw Tamaqua storm all the way back to take a 28-27 lead late in the contest, then regrouped for a 5-0 run of its own to hang on and claim its first championship at the Pavilion. Rossi ended a truly fantastic tournament with a game-high 16 points. His 19.0 points-per-game average was a tourney best as well, placing him in a tie for seventh all time. Gennaro had another solid game with eight, Doganiero hit clutch buckets and finished with seven, while Jake Perhonitch dropped in four points for the champs. Kane led the Raiders' valiant effort with 10. Julius Currie banged home eight, and Dillon was held to six points but still ended a magnificent tourney with an 18.0 ppg average. Mateyak also scored six for the tourney runners-up.

Richie Rossi was named the tournament MVP, while Valley teammate Luke Gennaro was chosen to the all-tournament team along with Tamaqua's Connor Dillon and Noah Mateyak, and Panther Valley's Stephen Hood and Drew Kokinda.

Chase Weaver of Panther Valley was named recipient of the James Furmanchin, Sr. Hustle Award.

White Haven VFW golf tourney set

White Haven VFW 6615 Auxiliary will hold its fifth annual golf tournament on Friday, May 27 at the Mountain Laurel Golf Club. The four-person scramble will feature an 11 a.m. shotgun start, with registration to being at 10 a.m. Cost is \$80 per golfer/\$320 per team includes lunch with beverage, green fees, cart, buffet dinner after golf at the course, and prizes. Hole sponsorships are available.

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Shining moments plentiful in opening rounds of NCAA Tournament

I love the game of basketball. Always have. After watching the opening two rounds of this year's NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament, I love it even more.

From noontime on Thursday right through to the early hours of Monday morning, I was glued to the TV. After all, to me and any other college basketball junkie, they are flat-out the best four days of the year. This year's 48-game, four-day run may have exceeded even my expectations. As Dickie V would say, "It was beautiful, baby!"

So far, it's been a tournament that has given us amazing effort, incredible action, last-second heroics, improbable comebacks and monumental upsets. And we've only reached the Sweet 16!

The tournament started with a bang last Thursday, when Ivy League champion Yale took down mighty Baylor, and Arkansas Little Rock stunned Big Ten power Purdue in a couple of 12-5 upsets that signaled this year's tourney would be another dandy.

The following day the stunners kept coming, as the Rainbow Warriors from Hawai'i laid one on fourth-seed Cal, the Lumberjacks from Stephen F. Austin sent third-seed West Virginia packing, and the guys from Middle Tennessee sent shockwaves through the tournament (and many a bracket into the garbage can) with their upset of traditional power Michigan State, a #2 seed.

If that weren't enough, Iowa's buzzer-beating tip-in finished off Temple, Cincinnati's apparent buzzer-beating dunk was disallowed to keep Saint Joseph's alive, and Northern Iowa's Paul Jespersen capped Friday's action with a half-court heave that banked home at the buzzer to give the Panthers another tournament upset, this time over Shaka Smart's sixth-seeded Texas Longhorns. In the opening round alone, three #11 seeds knocked off six-seeds, and 13 lower-seeded teams posted upset wins over those expected to move on. Whew!

Believe it or not, the tournament was just heating up.

In Round 2 starting Saturday, #11 Gonzaga pulled off its second straight upset by taking out third-seeded Utah, and only last-minute bursts kept third-seeded Miami and fourth-seeded Duke from being the latest upset victims. And in a Sunday to remember, seldom-used Rex Pflue-

On The Sly

by Steve Stallone, Sports Editor

ger's tip-in in the final seconds enabled Notre Dame to edge tournament darling Stephen F. Austin, top-seeded Oregon survived a big-time scare from St. Joe's, and Bronson Koenig's fadeaway 3-pointer from the corner swished through at the final horn to give Wisconsin a shocking victory over #2 Xavier and send the Badgers back to the Sweet 16.

Yet the day's most incredible finish belonged to Texas

A&M. The third-seeded Aggies trailed Northern Iowa by 12 points with 33 seconds remaining, and appeared dead in the water. Yet somehow A&M created four turnovers and made six shots during that frantic last half-minute to send the game to overtime in what was the biggest final-minute comeback in NCAA Division I history. In the second overtime, A&M finally got the win to cap what was one likely of the most memorable opening weekends in tournament history.

Stars are born on the big stage that is the NCAA Tournament, and this year is no different. Few if any have ever heard of Northern Iowa's Jespersen or SFA's Thomas Walkup, the grizzly-looking guard who scored 54 points in two games and played so well for the Lumberjacks. They are now part of tournament lore.

Other established stars simply deliver when the chips are down, as Oklahoma's Buddy Hield did in the Sooners' hard-fought win over VCU Sunday. He scored 19

of his team's final 22 points - and 36 overall - to will the second-seeded Sooners into the round of 16.

Aside from the amazing play on the court, what makes the tournament so much more special are the ultimate highs and incredible lows, and the very raw emotions on display, both during the games and after them. At one end, you have coaches and players alike barely able to contain themselves after a thrilling win. At the other, those same coaches and players are unable to hold back the tears after a crushing defeat has ended their season - and for many, a four-year love affair that is suddenly over. "It's what this tournament is all about. He's what this tournament is all about," Stephen F. Austin head coach Brad Underwood said, fighting back the tears after watching the Lumberjacks' season - and Walkup's four-year career - come to an end against Notre Dame.

What also makes the tournament so special, and one of the most-watched events in sports, is its unpredictability. You really never know, from one minute to the next, what's going to happen. Duke's Mike Krzyzewski, the winningest coach in NCAA Division I history and one of the tournament's most successful coaches, summed it up best after the Blue Devils survived their second-round scare with Yale. He said "When you believe in miracles, that's how miracles happen."

Expect more of the unexpected when the tournament resumes on Thursday.

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Journal-Herald Sports

Crestwood seniors set for basketball all-star game

Five Crestwood basketball players will be among those participating in the 47th annual Dr. George P. Moses Senior All-Star Classic, set for April 1 at Holy Redeemer High School. The rosters were selected by the Wyoming Valley Conference coaches, and include seniors from all of the member schools. Once again sponsored by *The Citizens' Voice* and Wyoming Valley Athletic Association, all proceeds from the game will be donated to local charities and

families in need. To date the game has raised more than \$1 million.

The doubleheader begins with the girls game at 6:30 p.m., with the boys to follow. At halftime of each game, the finals of the 3-point shootout will be held. Preliminary rounds for the 3-point contest will be held March 28 at Coughlin. Each school is asked to send a senior shooter. The boys game will feature players from WVC Division 1 against those from Division 2-3. Repre-

senting Crestwood on Division 1 are Mendell Foreman, Robbie Hopkins, Jason Klusewitz and Josh Malkemes. They will be joined on the Division 1 team by Tyler Evans, Kyle McMillan and Max Melito of Berwick; Eli McAllister, Devin Rajza and Jose Rivera of Coughlin; Tanner Gattuso of Dallas; Dante Biasi and Bobby Planutis from Hazleton Area; Jordan Black and Dylan Osticco of Pittston Area; Tony Maloney of Tunkhannock; and Tyler Yankosky and Marquise

Anderscavage of Wyoming Valley West. Their coach is Mark Belenski of Dallas.

The Division 2-3 squad features MMI's John Stish and Ed Herbener; Tino Altavilla, Marquan Kemp and Dajon Rush of GAR; Nick Minnich from Hanover Area; Zach Brennan and John Carr of Holy Redeemer; Jake Corey of Lake-Lehman; Raheem Twyman and Ryan Wasley from Meyers; Scott Stout, Brent Piontkowski and Ed Lukowski of Nanticoke Area; Anthony Shaver from Wyoming Area; and Pat Ganter and Jeff Bevacqua of Wyoming Seminary. Their coach is GAR's Jerry Altavilla.

The girls game will be broken down into two teams: Team Gavio and Team Parker.

Team Gavio, coached by Hazleton Area's Joe Gavio, will feature Crestwood's Maddie Ritsick; Hazleton Area's Mackenzie Yori and Alyssa Shamy; Gianna Roberts, Amber Growowski and Chaquana Zendarski of Nanticoke Area; Tunkhannock's Christine Rossi; Taylor Montana of Berwick; Marie Skrepenak and Lindsay Quinn of GAR; Molly Storz and Julia Eneboe of Lake-Lehman; Tiffany Muniz and Alaena Lloyd from Meyers; and Amanda Scarcella of Valley West. Hazleton Area's Ashley Martincek is the alternate. Coach Gavio will be assisted by Hazleton Area assistants Kayla Mantush and Michele Vowler, and Tunkhannock's Joe Reno.

Team Parker, coached by Holy Redeemer's Chris Parker, will include Rebecca Prociak, Lydia Lawson, Meghan Corridoni, Sara Flannelly and Kayla Hons of Holy Redeemer; Asdone Hooper and Hayley Bobos from Hanover Area; Jamie Chis-

dock, Marley O'Brien and Megan Cummings of Pittston Area; Nikki Wren from Dallas; Savanna Robinson of Coughlin; Miranda Pace of Wyoming Seminary; and Nicole Wright and Rachael Solano, Wyoming Area. Dallas' Courtney Hoats is the alternate. Coach Parker will be assisted by Hanover Area's Tom Gilroy, Pittston Area's Kathy Healey and Redeemer's Maureen Lisman.

St. Jude Parish Cub Scout Pack goes vertical



Members of St. Jude Parish Cub Scout Pack 60 recently went vertical at the Wilkes-Barre Rock Climbing Gym. The boys and their siblings were challenged with a choice of over 80 rope routes and 100 boulder problems.

Pictured from left are: Front row- Patrick Smith, Noah Keiser, Hayley Keiser, Michael Grandzol, Jacob Hunsinger, Lance Wrightnour, Luke Gordon, Martin Gorka. Second row- Alex Gordon, Brooks Wrightnour, Veronica Gorka, Caleb Keiser, Anson Jumper, Hayden Fleegle. Back row- Dennis Jumper, Scout Master, Christian Grandzol, Rob Keiser, Scott Martinelli, Eric Smith, and Neil Hunsinger.

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