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## Remembering Mama for Mother's Day

On Saturday, April 30, Full Gospel Holiness Church of God In Christ, hosted its 12<sup>th</sup> "I Remember Momma" pre-Mother's Day Banquet at Kahlari Resorts and Convention Center. This annual fund raiser is held in honor of mothers past and present as a memorial to the mother of Elder Trawick, Pastor, D.D., Sallie Mae Trawick, who always fed and help feed people in the North Philadelphia ghetto who were drug addicted and hungry.

Elder Trawick recounted how his mother provided what she could from her family's meager table to feed junkies who were hungry. He described how his mother made biscuits from lard, flour, sour milk, and Clabber Girl baking powder, and how she would knead the dough and bake them in the oven until they would rise to about 2 inches or more, and served them brown and hot to his 6 other siblings along with Alaga Syr-

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## Coolbaugh readies red barn remedy

by Jeanine Hofbauer

Considering the red barn off Route 611 near Route 423 in rough shape, Coolbaugh Township supervisors discussed details to get it back on the tax rolls during their May 3 meeting. Deeded to the township with the caveat "up-keep within a reasonable condition," it served as the former DPW shed. No longer needed, it sat untended, with time taking a toll on the structure.

"This should've been given back a long time ago," stated supervisor Lynn Kelly. Reconditioning the building and giving it back to the heirs of the prior owner will be considered.

Dropping oil prices are paving the way for township roads to reap the rewards of remediation. Over four miles of streets could see a facelift before year's end. Bids were set to be opened May 13.

Roads include Seminole Trail, Onandaga Way, Seven Nations Drive, Algonquin Way, Mohawk Trail, Tutelo Way, Wigwam Way, Mohican Lane, Sioux Crescent, Iroquois Street, Navajo Place, Mohansic Lane and Lake Road.

The township's Peterbilt Model 330 will not be repaired after semi-annual inspection resulted in an estimate topping \$7,800. With over 3,400 hours service and 43,000 miles, the massive work truck will be sold as-is.

"The fence does not meet safety standards of any sort," explained Bill Weimer as supervisors voted to take the lead on dog park construction, approving up to \$3,000 for Mount Pocono Fence to complete the ongoing Eagle Scout project by installing posts and current materials. "This is going to work out to everyone's

benefit so both the township and the scout can be satisfied in the end," he concluded.

Pocono Summit Volunteer Fire Company's request for disbursement of \$23,000 in contract money and \$30,000 from collected fire tax revenue for a truck loan payment on Rescue 33-4-4 was approved after a discussion of the need for all fire companies to provide receipts and statements for proof of need and use.

Supervisors approved bill payments totaling \$370,833.20.

Supervisors Weimer, Kelly, Alma Ruiz-Smith, Juan Adams and Anthony Lamantia were present for the meeting along with controller Maureen Mills, administrative assistant Erin Masker and an audience of approximately 20.

The next meeting is 7 p.m. May 17

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# Fantasy trials deliver stellar courtroom proceedings



Darth Vader compels the courtroom as Judge Stephen Higgins commands the bench.

JP: Hofbauer Strategies

by Jeanine Hofbauer

Fantasy Trials—Monroe County Bar Association's look at the lighter side of Law Day April 29, held a captivated crowd of fifth graders from six surrounding school districts. Courtrooms One, Two and Three counted on laughs as Pocono Mountain, Stroudsburg, East Stroudsburg,

Pleasant Valley, Notre Dame and Monsignor McHugh students got a view of costumed law professionals portraying plaintiffs and defendants while attorneys argued the case of the Commonwealth versus Han Solo.

The force was with the honorable Judge Margherita Patti-Worthington, Judge Ste-

phen Higgins and Judge Jonathan Mark as each held their composure while masked Darth Vader testified as to Han Solo's guilt in recovering his spacecraft, the Millennium

Falcon, from Vader's private property.

Striking back with compelling counter questioning, Solo's defense team triumphed over periodic outbursts by the Dark Lord. With intervals of judicial clarification, followed by courtroom opinion on guilt or innocence, the verdict was in—innocent!

Eager to "saber" the mo-

ment, kids took turns for photo-ops while giving props to their entertainers. Proving comprehension of complicated terminology and aspects of the law can come naturally when cleverly commingled with humor, the students' courtroom composure and inquiries afterwards was light years ahead of their time.


## PMPL gets out the vote

Pocono Mountain Public Library is now the polling station for Coolbaugh 4. Over 500 registered voters visited the library on April 26. With both our voters and regular patrons combined, the gate count shows a whopping 900 people visited the library. "This is the highest gate count since we've been doing this," said one of the staff.

They didn't let people vote on an empty stomach. PMPL


had a Bake/Book Sale, and sold almost \$300 in bagels, donuts, cookies, and other goodies and used books. "We would like to thank everyone who baked for us," said Ann Shincovich, the Library Director. "Every sale helps us better serve the community."

PMPL expects an even higher turnout in this coming presidential election in November, and they'll have plenty of treats for sale.



## Pocono Lions 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Golf Outing

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## Mama...

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up, and Fat Back (Salt Pork) meat.

Trawick recalled a time when a junkie came to their house and asked their mother for a piece of bread; she would come in the house and take from the table of eight and make the junkie two fat-back sandwiches (two biscuits cut in half with one piece of fatback for each biscuit). "Momma would wrap up the biscuit and fatback sandwiches in Cut Rite Wax Paper and give it to the junkie. We would ask Momma 'why are you giving the junkies our food?'" Momma would reply "when I feed them, I am also feeding y'all." Trawick recall how he and his siblings would laugh at their Momma and ask her "Momma, how are you feeding us when you give it to the junkies?" Momma would reply "I don't know what is going to happen to you children in the future, I just pray and hope should something happen to y'all somebody will give y'all a piece of bread and meat, as I have for other people's sons and daughters."

Trawick explained, "We did not understand the wisdom of what Momma was saying or doing at the time but we have a better understanding of it to today and because of her wisdom and understanding of Psalm 37:25. I honor her love for the less fortunate.

The "I Remember Momma" theme started in Germany where my wife and six children fed the homeless people in Frankfurt Germany, where I was stationed for 22 years while serving in the US Army. Our theme song came from the famed gospel singer Shirley Caesar who recorded a video and song entitled "I Remember Momma." After

serving in Germany, Mary and I were reassigned to Tobyhanna Army Depot in November 2003 as civilians, as I had retired from active duty in 1994, and remained in Germany. We continued the "I Remember Momma" fundraiser at various locations (Pocono Manor, Crescent Lodge, Split Rock, and now at Kalahari Resorts) in the Poconos. Most of the music talent come from various bands and gospel groups located here in the Poconos.

"We continue to meet the need of those that are hungry, are main focus is more on taking care of the forgotten, and most vulnerable of our society.... our seniors. Full Gospel Holiness Missions Department has agreed to provide a spirit-filled service at the Golden Living Senior Citizen Home, in East Stroudsburg (across from Pocono Mountain Medical). We also provide articles of comfort clothing, Palm Crosses for Easter, and gifts for all the residents. We enjoy seeing the glow in their eyes when the Ministry team arrives—Elder Robert Thorpe, Jr, Sis Eugenia Solomon, Sis Thorpe have been faithful in their attendance to visit, provide communion, songs, and create a joyful atmosphere for these seniors who are not able to attend a local church.

"Proceeds from the "I Remember Momma" banquets insure there are funds to cover the cost of providing for our seniors. We plan these banquet about two weeks before the actual Mother's Day to give others an opportunity to win cash and prizes for their mothers also. We are so grateful to our commercial sponsors who provides gifts and giveaways, to our local families and friends who sponsor seniors if they cannot attend, and we always look forward to our guests who come and

make this event the success it has been over the years.

"This year was one of our greatest. Kalahari was a great venue with extraordinary service and food. The staff was fantastic, and the attendees were exciting, the fellowship was wonderful. Special thanks to Supt. Mosely and First Lady Mosely and the Altoona District from the Harrisburg area, PA Sate Representative David Parker and his lovely wife who participated in the impromptu fashion show, Bishop and First Lady Hamilton, and all our guest from out of town.

"The Full Gospel Holiness Praise and Worship Team under the direction of Sis. Evelyn Thorpe provided melodious, upbeat, music, and singing that everyone enjoyed and swayed with the music. I certainly appreciate the hard work of the Sis. L. Lanier for the administrative support and Mother L. Bracy who coordinated so well with the Kalahari staff.

"Congratulations to all our prize winners, especially Grand Prize winner Bro Bracy.

"Our oldest mother in attendance this year was Mother Millie Crawford, 90, of Tobyhanna. Other winners were the youngest mother, and mother with the most children.

"If you would like tickets for next year's banquet e-mail fullgospelholiness@verizon.net or call (570) 839-8170.

"There is no nation like a donation, we accept donations all year at: Full Gospel Holiness COGIC, 167 Summit Ave, Pocono Summit, PA 18346. Please mark for Pre-Mother's Day. You will receive a Certificate of Appreciation for your donation. All donations over \$50 will receive a complimentary page in our Pre-Mother's Day Journal for 2017."

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### Notice Of Sealed Bid Auction For Real Property – Borough of Mount Pocono

The Borough of Mount Pocono, Monroe County, Pennsylvania will accept sealed bids for two (2) parcels of real property owned by the Borough of Mount Pocono located in the Borough of Mount Pocono.

Signed sealed bids will be received until June 6, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. The bids should be addressed to Lori Noonan, Borough Secretary, Borough of Mount Pocono, 1361 Pocono Boulevard, Mount Pocono, Pennsylvania 18344. All bids must be accompanied by a bank cashier's check made payable to the "Borough of Mount Pocono" in the amount of ten (10%) of the bid. In the event that the bid is accepted by the Borough of Mount Pocono, this amount will be non-refundable.

All bids will be opened at the Public Meeting of Borough Council scheduled for June 6, 2016, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

The Borough of Mount Pocono reserves the right to reject any and all bids for any reason in the sole discretion of the Borough of Mount Pocono. In the event that a bid is not accepted, the down payment will be refunded promptly.

All bids must be on Agreement of Sale forms that may be obtained from the Borough Secretary or the Borough of Mount Pocono during regular business hours at the Borough offices or by telephone, 570.839.8436, or by e-mail directed to the Borough Secretary, Lori Noonan, lori@mountpocono-pa.gov. All bid forms must be signed by the purchaser.

The properties to be sold by sale bid are described as follows:

**Property #1** – Building lot located at Section 4, Lot 25 Timberbrook Terrace, Borough of Mount Pocono, bearing tax parcel number 10/2A/1/58 consisting approximately of .46 acres. The property is more particularly described as parcel #2 in a certain deed dated December 27, 2007, and recorded on January 24, 2008 in the Office for the Recording of Deeds of Monroe County at Record Book Volume 2325, Page 8740.

**Property #2** – Property situated at 20 Fork Street, Borough of Mount Pocono, bearing tax parcel number 10/8/5/11 consisting approximately of 0.18 acres. This is an improved property. The property is more particularly described as parcel #3 in a certain deed dated December 27, 2007, and recorded on January 24, 2008 in the Office for the Recording of Deeds of Monroe County at Record Book Volume 2325, Page 8740.

Separate bids should be submitted for each property.

Both properties may be inspected at the prospective bidders own risk. Please contact the Borough Secretary during regular business hours with respect to inspection of Property #2. Property #1 may be inspected at the convenience of the bidder, at the bidder's sole risk.

All properties are sold in an "As Is, Where Is Condition, With All Faults". Seller makes no representations whatsoever as to the properties.

All successful bidders must close on the purchase within thirty (30) days of the opening of bids. All questions pertaining to this Notice should be directed to the Borough Secretary at the above address.

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# Area Funerals

## Neil Criste-Troutman

Neil Criste-Troutman, 70, of Mount Pocono, died Tuesday, May 10, 2016 surrounded by his family. He was the husband of Robert Criste-Troutman.

Born in Union, New Jersey, he was the son of the late Maurice and Virginia (Richardson) Troutman.

Neil was a graduate of the University of Michigan class of 1967, where he received a degree in Music Education. He also studied at both Temple University and Westminster Choir College. He became a music teacher at Warren Hills Regional School in New Jersey, where he retired.

Neil began playing the organ at the age of 13 and played at various churches in NY, NJ and PA throughout his lifetime. He was choral conductor for Twins River Choral Society and a member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Mount Pocono.

He is also survived by his daughters, Katrina Troutman, Lisen Troutman, Erika Hirji and her husband Murad, and Gretchen Troutman; sons Randy Criste-Troutman and Michael Criste-Troutman; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his daughter, H. Christina Roberts.

There will be a Mass of Christian burial Sat., May 14 at 10:30 a.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church, 137 Trinity Hill Road, Mount Pocono. There will be a viewing from 9 a.m. until the time of service.

Memorial contributions in honor of Neil may be made to Trinity Episcopal Church at the address above or to Memorial Sloan Kettering 1275 York Avenue, New York, NY 10065 or by visiting <https://giving.mskcc.org/>.

## Wilmer "Teeter" Waltz

Wilmer Ronald Waltz, 72, of Blakeslee, died Thursday, May 5, 2016 at his home.

Born in East Stroudsburg, he was the son of the late Allen and Edna (Wildrick) Waltz.

Teeter served with the United States Army National Guard. He retired from Pocono Mountain High School after 19

years as lead mechanic.

He is survived by his children, Tyler "Jonathan" Waltz, Heather Waltz, Carol Waltz, Jeremy Waltz, and David Waltz; siblings Marion Straub, Rodney Waltz, June Kerrick, and Dennis Waltz; seven grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Bolock Funeral Home, 6148 Paradise Valley Road, Cresco, was in charge of arrangements. Cremation is entrusted to the Bolock Funeral Home Crematory.

## James W. Riach, Jr.

James W. Riach, Jr. 25, of White Haven, formerly of Blakeslee, died suddenly Thursday morning, May 5, 2016.

Born in South River, New Jersey on August 27, 1990, he was a son of James W. Sr. and Ethel (Stulec) Riach of White Haven. James attended Pocono Mountain West High School, Pocono Summit and was employed by the Peterson's Ski and Cycle Shop in Blakeslee.

Surviving in addition to his parents is a brother Daniel Riach of Blakeslee; aunts, uncles, and several cousins.

A memorial service will be held Sat., May 14, at 11 a.m. in the Joseph J. Pula Funeral Home, Inc. 23 North Ninth Street, Stroudsburg. Family and friends may gather at the funeral home from 10 a.m. until the time of the service.

## James Raymond Duke

James Raymond Duke, 54, of Blakeslee, died Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at his home. He was companion of Lorraine Fucci.

Born in Philadelphia, he was the son of the late James Duke, Jr. and Geraldine Long.

James worked in several restaurants over the years most recently at a truck stop in Wilkes-Barre.

He is also survived by his children, Justin Duke and his wife Tina of North Carolina, Adriana Roby and her husband Chris of Virginia, and Dylan Duke of Blakeslee; brothers John Duke of Lake Harmony, and Robert Duke of Philadelphia; and five grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may

be made to Duke Family, PO Box 510, Blakeslee PA 18610.

## Anthony M. Sama Sr.

Anthony M. Sama, Sr., 59, of Pocono Lake, died Friday, April 29, 2016 at Pocono Medical Center in East Stroudsburg. He was the husband of Andrea K. (Fuscaldo) Sama, with whom he celebrated their 27<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this past February.

Born in Brooklyn, New York, he was the only son of the late Ralph and Florence (Notaro) Sama.

Anthony was a graduate of the John Jay College of Criminal Justice at CUNY New York, and employed by Verizon as a Central Office Technician, where he was based in Lower Manhattan during the events of 9/11. He was a member of St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish in Pocono Lake.

He is also survived by his children, Anthony Jr., Ashleigh, Noel, and Nicholas Sama; sisters Mary Frances Sama and

Michele Gilary and family.

The Rev. Sean Carpenter celebrated a Mass of Christian Burial May 6 at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish.

Memorial donations may be made to the Make-A-Wish Foundation, 5 Valley Square #210, Blue Bell, PA 19422 or the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675.

Private cremation has been entrusted to Bolock Funeral Home Crematory, 6148 Paradise Valley Road, Cresco.

## John Reginald Franks Jr.

John Reginald Franks, Jr., 73, of Pocono Pines, died Saturday, April 23, 2016 at the VNA Hospice House in East Stroudsburg, surrounded by his family. He was the husband of Joan (Skelton) Franks with whom he shared 55 years of marriage.

Born in East Stroudsburg, he was the son of the late John and Mabel (Keiper) Franks.

He was a lifetime member

of the Tobyhanna Township Volunteer Fire Department and former owner and operator of John Franks Jr. and Son Masonry.

John was a former Little League baseball coach for many teams and a member of the Monroe County and Eldred Beagles Clubs.

He is also survived by his son, John Franks and his wife Anne of Pocono Pines, daughters, Kim Franks of Pocono Pines and her companion Tim Patterson of Henryville, and Yvonne Yankelitis and her husband David of Albrightsville; brothers Ron Franks and his wife Sally of Effort, and Barry Franks of Tobyhanna, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The family will host a celebration of life at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Penn State Thon, to support the fight against Pediatric Cancer, 227D HUB, University Park, PA 16802 or at <http://donate.thon.org/>.

## United Way says thank you

Donors and supporters of the 2015 United Way Campaign were recognized at this year's Campaign Appreciation Event; a special "Thank You" cocktail hour, hosted by United Way of Monroe County and held April 20 at The Chateau Resort & Conference Center in Tannersville.

Awards were handed out recognizing individuals, organizations, and businesses for their support, including:

Spirit of Caring Award Recipient: Virginia Kirkwood

- recognizing an individual, organization or business that shows extraordinary dedication to Live United by Giving, Advocating and Volunteering.

Evelyn Frederick Community Service Award Recipient: Sharon Laverdure - recognizing those individuals, groups, or corporations that have shown outstanding leadership and commitment to the United Way of Monroe County's mission, above and beyond the annual campaign.

Clifford R. Gillam Award Recipient: Constance Yuhasz - recognizing an individual who, by the vote of his or her peers, represents the spirit of outstanding volunteerism to the United Way of Monroe County.

Campaign Chair Award Recipient: Sanofi Pasteur - recognizing outstanding ser-

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## Blessing of the Bikes

American Legion Riders Chapter 927 will hold their annual Blessing of the Bikes on May 15 at 12 noon. The service will be performed by Bishop James Mills.

American Legion Post 927 and their kitchen will open at 10:30 a.m.

The Legion is located at the corner of Rt. 209 and Fairgrounds Rd, Gilbert.

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## United Way...

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vice and achievement in the campaign and a commitment to Live United.

"This is a time to celebrate the incredible generosity of this community and all of those who have contributed over the past year to the United Way. This support enables the United Way and our 22 non-profit partners to provide essential services to those in need in Monroe County. Thank you!" stated Michael Albert, president and CEO of the United Way of Monroe County. "This is an exciting time for the United Way," added Albert. "We have launched a major needs assessment to help us focus on the most pressing and systemic issues facing our community. The strength of



the United Way is our ability to bring together individuals, non-profits, corporate and government partners to work

together towards common goals. By investing in the United Way we will truly be able to achieve lasting impact



## Local Environmental Educator receives award from ESU



Monroe County Environmental Educator, Karen N. Boyle, received an Outstanding Alumni Award from East Stroudsburg University. On April 7, she was given the award from ESU's Degree Program in Recreation Services Management at East Stroudsburg University.

Karen has been an environmental educator at the Kettle Creek Environmental Educa-

tion Center for over 25 years. Her enthusiasm and yearning to educate others has led her to become an outstanding educator in the field of environmental sciences. She works with people throughout Monroe County and beyond, ensuring that they develop a passion for their environment and conservation.

From 1987-2005, Karen served as a member on the

Pennsylvania Alliance for Environmental Education where she was the Public Relations Director from 1994-1996 and the PAEE State-wide Conference Site and Public Relations Chairperson in 1993. She plays a strong presence at her Alma matter, East Stroudsburg University, as a member of the East Stroudsburg University Department of Recreation and Leisure Services Management Advisory Council.

At the EE Center, Karen strives to make efforts towards environmental education in higher education. She works with local college students, helping them in placing a high value on environmental education and educating them on real life experiences. Karen has invested her time in developing programs that teach students to understand and take responsibility for their impacts on the planet and how they can become part of a positive environmental change.

For more information, please call the Center at 570-629-3061, Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



in our community."

You can view a PDF of the United Way of Monroe County's Thank You report, "United Together, Leading Monroe", which includes a complete list of awards recipients, donors and supporters of the 2015 United Way Campaign at: <http://www.unitedwaymonroe.org/campaign>.

For more information about the United Way of Monroe

County or to invest in and support their community service efforts, visit [www.unitedwaymonroe.org](http://www.unitedwaymonroe.org) or call 570-629-5657. To look for volunteer opportunities across the county, visit [www.volunteermunroe.org](http://www.volunteermunroe.org). To post a volunteer opportunity, simply click on "Learn what Get Connected can do for you" on the site's web page.

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Confessions at 4 p.m.  
Vigil Mass at 5 p.m.  
Sunday Masses at 8 & 10:30 a.m.  
Daily Mass at 8:15 a.m.



# Mount Pocono hears about PMRPD policing protocols

by Jeanine Hofbauer

Mount Pocono is making plans to expand borough businesses. A look into the regional concept brought Pocono Mountain Regional Police Chief Chris Wagner to borough council's May 2 meeting.

Focusing on functionality of the combination of municipalities that make up the PMRPD, he explained how Police Protection Units comprised of 10 hours of service work. Wagner compared absorption of hours to a cell phone data plan, noting "When you go over you pay more."

Calling the once "sleepy little borough," now "wide awake,"



**PMRPD Chief Chris Wagner explains the basis for borough police pricing at the May 2 meeting. JP: Hofbauer Strategies**

he reported 169 PPU's are purchased per week, which at times takes the borough over or under in usage. Commercial site consumption and prospective large scale events this summer may make balancing

out the hours more difficult.

Foreseeing the strain emergency responder costs could place on the borough, council decided that an agreement with the for-profit event organizers is in order.

The chief also noted ordinance enforcement will be on the rise with plans to assign duties to one of the School Resource Officers returning to the department once school ends for the year.

Bills totaling \$1,148,890.25 were approved. Council disagreed with a March 2016 to March 2017 warranty proposed by contractor Potcher Construction for concrete ramp work at the municipal building, because of winter timing for pouring the mix. Final payment of \$10,164 may be held until an assurance agreement is reached.

Keith Transue suggested recognition of area youth

involved with this year's Joe Battisto Cleanup Days held the prior weekend that yielded 86 bags of garbage. While applauding all participants from citizens to businesses, he noted the pride in community conveyed by today's kids.

Present were council members Transue, Karl Davis, Jeff Woehrle, Francis O'Boyle, Claudette Williams and Mike Oser; solicitor James Fareri, Mayor Fred Courtright, secretary Lori Noonan and approximately 30 attendees.

Mount Pocono's next meeting is set for 7 p.m. Monday, June 6 at Municipal Offices located on Route 611.

# PMSD rewarded for making beautiful music



**PMSD Music Instructors Richard Hoffman-Hutchins, Jennifer Kresge (back row), Christine Bellesfield, William Bock (back row), Mandy Gambal, Sam Turner (back row), Daphne Cortes, Doug Raboci (back row), Deanne Ober, Bethany Pisanchyn, Charlie Gambino, Tim Eick (back row), Gretchen Benson (back row) join Superintendent Dr. Elizabeth Robison, Assistant Superintendent Catherine Sweeney, Board President Rusty Johnson and award presenters Randy Shalyer and Tom Pawlikowski after being named one of the Best Communities for Music Education by the National Association of Music Merchants during the May 4 meeting.**

by Jeanine Hofbauer

Pocono Mountain School District has been named one of the "Best Communities for Music Education" according to the eyes (and ears) of the National Association of Music Merchants, school directors learned during their May 4 meeting. These words sang sweet harmony to directors

and elated educators passionate about the arts and education, as the group gathered for a standing ovation after receiving award recognition from presenters Randy Shalyer and Tom Pawlikowski of Zeswitz Music on behalf of the organization.

"The hero in this situation by far is the music faculty," said

Pawlikowski detailing exceptional data. Ranked within the top 96 percentile for music education in the nation, PMSD joins just 476 other schools across the country and 63 in the Commonwealth.

Proving data crunching is considered a collective skill across the district, a handful of 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students

from Tobyhanna Elementary Center and Clear Run Intermediate School dazzled directors with digits. Almost as instantly as cards containing clever calculations hit the table, so did an eager pupil ready to solve.

Challenging unwilling admirers to take on the tallies, the group accepted admiration for joining other PMSD 24 Math Challenge participants in solving over 11 million problems under the program.

Taking time to tack on one more evening tally Business Manager Joe Colozza announced including the 2016-2017 two mill reduction in real estate taxes, the district has

given back close to 10 mills since 2013.

Adding over \$500,000 expected to be given in Enhanced Senior Tax Rebates, Ricky Smith explained reasons for sticking with a two mill drop across the board instead of more.

"We thought it was prudent [to use] a step wise progression," he said when setting the 137.29 mill rate.

Agreeing, PA 176<sup>th</sup> District State Representative Jack Rader concluded, "I'm very happy my school board does the right thing."

The next meeting is 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 18 at the Administration building.

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# Bike run supports VALOR

A bike run in memory of Jack McCloskey will take place on Saturday, May 21, start and finish at the American Legion Post 927, corner of Route 209 and Fairgrounds Road in Gilbert. Registration begins at 9 a.m., with kickstands up at 10:30.

Bike run is a \$20 donation per bike, \$5 donation for passenger in advance, or \$25 and \$10 day of event.

A family friendly party will follow at noon at the American Legion, with BBQ pork roast,

raffles, live music by the Harlan/Tucker Band from 12:30 to 3:30, and vendors. Party-only entry fee is \$10 and includes a meal.

Nicest Bike contest will take place at 1 p.m., with a \$10 entry fee. VALOR shirts will be available for \$20. Vendor space costs \$20 in advance, or \$25 day of event.

All proceeds will go to VALOR, whose mission is to improve the lives of our nation's veterans by providing free access to coaching and

care that will address service-connected conditions and improve life skills for work and life outside of service.

For more information, and vendor space, contact Everett Shaver at e.shaver@ampost927.com. Pre-register bike run and/or vendor space by sending check to: American Legion Riders 927, PO Box 335, Gilbert PA 18331.

For more information about the American Legion Post 927, visit [www.ampost927.com](http://www.ampost927.com)

# Poconos Hike at Thunder Swamp

In the midst of the 84,000-acre Delaware State Forest in Pike County is a glacier-carved gem. Thunder Swamp shines with creeks, 45 miles of trails, and unusual flora and fauna.

As part of the free series Get Outdoors Poconos, hikers are invited to join a naturalist-led, 1.5-mile outing exploring part of this extensive preserve. Carol Hillestad will lead the moderate hike on the Thunder Swamp Trail at 10 a.m. on May 21.

Hikers will follow a rocky path to see evidence of coyotes, big slices of slate rising from the ground, huge boulders covered with moss and ferns, sheep laurel, blueberries, witch hazel, and wintergreen. Great blue herons often survey the swamps partially maintained

by beavers – a chain of three lodges lines the west side of the swamp.

Meet at the trailhead off Flat Ridge Road, Dingmans Township, Pike County. Take Route 402 to Bushkill Road (the road sign is missing — it's the road between Porters Lake to the north and Burnt Mills ATV parking to the south). Take Bushkill Road 1.3 miles to Flat Ridge Road on your left. Two stone pillars mark the dirt road. Follow Flat Ridge 2.1 miles to parking area on the right, just past Bergof Road. Coordi-

nates: 41° 14' 32" N 75° 1' 42" W.

Registration is required for this free program. Call 570-839-1120 or 570-629-2727, or email [info@brodheadwatershed.org](mailto:info@brodheadwatershed.org) to register. For information about this and other hikes in the free Get Outdoors Poconos series, go to [brodheadwatershed.org/gopoconos](http://brodheadwatershed.org/gopoconos).

The hike series is administered by Brodhead Watershed Association and supported by a grant from the William Penn Foundation.

# Tribute to Veterans concert

The Tribute to Veterans concert will kick off the free summer concert series at the Chestnuthill Township Park on May 29. Chris Eckert and Leigh Pollari will perform from 5-7 p.m. The band will play the music of artists Neil Diamond, Toby Keith, Lee Greenwood, The Band Perry and many more.

There is also a basket raffle with over 70 baskets and gifts sponsored by the West End Park and Open Space Commission to benefit the future

Leash-Free Dog Regional Dog Park. The raffle will take place from 3-6 p.m. Cost is \$10 for 25 tickets.

Free refreshments will be provided for all veterans.

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# TEC holds Tricky Tray

Tobyhanna Elementary Center PTO is hosting its seventh annual Tricky Tray this Saturday, May 14. Doors open at 11 a.m. and calling begins at 2 p.m.

Some of the prizes include HP Laptop, a gas grill, a Coach Brand bag, an over-night stay at Aquatopia for 6, autographed Philadelphia Eagles football, Golf foursome at Jack

Frost, local gift certificates, and over 100 fun themed baskets.

Concessions, bake sale items, crafts, a cake walk, and entertainment from local dance/ high school performers, as well as karate performers, will be featured at the event.

The first 100 people attending will receive free tickets for the Saturday practice, with paid admission.

# Guided Bog Walk

Monroe County Conservation District's Environmental Education Center will host a Guided Walk at the Tannersville Bog on May 14 at 2 p.m. Join an environmental educator at the Bog parking lot and take a 2 ½ hour journey into the unique Tannersville Cranberry Bog.

Along the way, the Environmental Educators will explain the Bog's formation, its interesting plant and animal life, and the role the local Preserve Committee and the Nature

Conservancy play in its continued protection. Please wear appropriate footwear.

Cost is \$6 for non-members, \$4 for EE and Nature Conservancy members and children under 12. Pre-registration is required and limited.

To pre-register, please call the Center at 570-629-3061, Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and most Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information on other programs, visit [www.mcconservation.org](http://www.mcconservation.org).

# Full Moon Hike at bog

The Monroe County Conservation District's Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center will hold a Full Moon Hike at the Tannersville Bog on May 23. Don't miss this opportunity to explore the bog under the light of a full moon.

The walk begins at 7 p.m., and participants should bring a flashlight. Please wear appropriate footwear.

Cost is \$6 for non-members; \$4 for EE and Nature Conser-

vancy members and children under 12. Pre-registration required and limited.

Directions: Route 611, at the light at the Tannersville Inn turn onto Cherry Lane Rd. The bog parking lot is 1.9 miles from 611 on the right.

To register, call 570-629-3061.

For information on other programs, visit [www.mcconservation.org](http://www.mcconservation.org).

# Tricky Tryouts set for May 21

Are you fun, respectful and high energy with a flair for entertainment? Do you think you have what it takes to represent Pocono Raceway as its mascot, Tricky The Fox?

You can prove it Saturday, May 21 when 'The Tricky Tri-

angle,' holds open auditions in Victory Lane beginning at 10 a.m. Inclement weather site will be in the Mint Julep Club outside Victory Lane.

Auditioners will be asked to simulate driver introductions and participate in a brief interview. Finalists will perform at a local elementary school before a winner is chosen.

Tricky The Fox represents Pocono Raceway not only on race weekends but also at a bevy of community events.

All those who wish to audition, must contact JJ LaRose, Manager, Marketing and Promotions to register at [jjlarose@poconoraceway.com](mailto:jjlarose@poconoraceway.com).

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**Saturday, May 14**—Tricky Tray, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Tobyhanna Elementary Center

**Saturday, May 14**—All-you-can-eat Breakfast, 8-10:30 a.m., donation only, McMichaels United Methodist Church, 570-629-1136

**Saturday, May 14**—Child Safety Fair, sponsored by West End Park and Open Space Committee and GFWC Western Pocono Women's Club, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Chestnuthill Park, Brodheads ville

**Friday, May 20**—Bingo & Barbecue Night, sponsored by West End Park and Open Space Commission, 5:30 p.m., Chestnuthill Township Park, 570-992-9733

**Saturday, May 21**—Living With Wildlife art exhibit reception, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Kettle Creek

Environmental Education Center

**Saturday, May 21**—Yard Sale and More, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Pocono Health System Visiting Nurse and Hospice Care, 500 Independence Road, East Stroudsburg, 570-421-5390

**Saturday, May 21**—Chicken Tenders Dinner, 4-7 p.m., McMichaels United Methodist Church, 570-629-1136

**Saturday, May 21**—Bike Run in memory of Jack McCloskey, 9 a.m., start American Legion Post 927, Gilbert, followed by party at 12 to support VALOR, [www.ampost927.com](http://www.ampost927.com)

**Saturday & Sunday, May 21 & 22**—Farm Animal Frolic, Quiet Valley Historical Farm, 570-992-6161, [www.quietvalley.org](http://www.quietvalley.org)

**Sunday, May 22**—GFWC Pocono Mountain Women's Club Tricky Tray and Fashion Show Fundraiser, 11 a.m., Chateau Resort and Conference Center at Camelback, 570-328-5896

**Friday & Saturday, May 27 & 28**—Home, Garden & Craft Sale, 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Clymer Library (start 10 a.m. on Friday). 570-646-4912

**Saturday & Sunday, May 28 & 29**—Farm Animal Frolic, Quiet Valley Historical Farm, 570-992-6161, [www.quietvalley.org](http://www.quietvalley.org)

**Saturday & Sunday, May 28 & 29**—Shawnee Celtic Fest, [www.shawneemt.com](http://www.shawneemt.com)

**Sunday, May 29**—Community Aviation Day Fly-in-Drive-in Breakfast, sponsored by Mt. Pocono Rotary Club, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Pocono Mountains Airport, 570-839-7161

**Saturday, June 4**—Native Plant Sale, sponsored by Brodhead Watershed Association, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Pocono Township Fire Company carnival building, Tannersville, 570-839-1120, [www.brodheadwatershed.org](http://www.brodheadwatershed.org)

**Saturday, June 4**—History in Bloom tour, sponsored by Monroe County Historical Association, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., starting at Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center, 570-421-7703

**Saturday, June 4**—PLUMC Flea Market, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Pocono Lake United Methodist Church, 570-646-2650

**Saturday, June 11**—Used book and media sale, 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Trinity Episcopal Church, Mount Pocono, [trinity-mtpocono.org](http://trinity-mtpocono.org)

**Saturday, June 11-Sunday, June 12**—Greater Pocono Area Relay for Life, 10 a.m. to 10 a.m., East Stroudsburg University

**Saturday, June 11**—Belvidere in Bloom, garden tours and more, Belvidere, NJ, 908-878-2137, [www.belvidereinbloom.com](http://www.belvidereinbloom.com)

**Friday, June 17-Saturday, June 18**—Bioblitz, sponsored by Monroe County Conservations District, 3 p.m.-3 p.m., West End Regional Park, 570-629-3061, [www.mcconservation.org](http://www.mcconservation.org)

**Saturday, June 18**—Princess Tea, sponsored by Western Pocono Lioness Club, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Cherry's, Kresgeville, 610-509-3519

**Wednesday, June 22**—Golf Tournament, sponsored by Blakeslee Rotary Club, Mountain Laurel Golf Course, 570-

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**Sunday, July 3**—Shawnee Mountain Ski Area Fireworks Display, [www.shawneemt.com](http://www.shawneemt.com)

**Saturday & Sunday, July 16 & 17**—Poconos Wurst Festival, Shawnee Mountain Ski Area, [www.shawneemt.com](http://www.shawneemt.com)

**Saturday & Sunday, August 13 & 14**—Sweet Corn & BBQ Festival, Shawnee Mountain Ski Area, [www.shawneemt.com](http://www.shawneemt.com)

**Saturday & Sunday, September 3 & 4**—Pocono Garlic Festival, Shawnee Mountain Ski Area, [www.shawneemt.com](http://www.shawneemt.com)

**Saturday, September 25**—Colors for the Season fashion show and luncheon, sponsored by Western Pocono Lioness Club, Hideaway Hills Golf and Country Club, Kresgeville, 610-681-8138

**Saturday & Sunday, October 8 & 9**—Autumn Timber Festival, Shawnee Mountain Ski Area, [www.shawneemt.com](http://www.shawneemt.com)

**Saturday & Sunday, October 15 & 16**—Pocono Food Truck & Art Festival, Shawnee Mountain Ski Area, [www.shawneemt.com](http://www.shawneemt.com)

## Hickory Run to Celebrate National Trails Day®

Hickory Run will offer two programs in celebration of American Hiking Society's National Trails Day® on June 4.

**Sand Spring/Hickory Run Hike**- 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Join the Naturalist for a short (2 mile) loop hike in celebrating

the American Hiking Society's National Trails Day®. On the hike we will explore open woods, rhododendron thickets, and hemlock ravines. Please wear comfortable hiking shoes and bring water. Meet at the park office.

**Fireline Trail Volunteer Trail Maintenance**- Noon to 2 p.m.

Calling all volunteers to come on out to help with trail maintenance on Fireline Trail as we celebrate the American Hiking Society's National Trails Day®. We all enjoy hiking in the park, now is a

chance to help «pay it forward» by making the trails better for the next hikers. Meet at Fireline Trailhead (approximately 2 miles West of park office on Rt. 534). Please register by using the online events calendar at: <http://events.dcnr.pa.gov/> or call 570-443-0400.

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Relay Service at 1-888-537-7294 (TTY). Bureau of State Parks Staff will gladly discuss how to accommodate your needs. With at least three days notice, interpreters for people who are deaf or hard of hearing are available for educational programs.

For more information on any of Pennsylvania's 121 state parks visit DCNR website at [www.dcnr.state.pa.us](http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us) (choose Find a Park) or call toll-free 888-PA-PARKS.

## Annual Native Plant Sale returns

Brodhead Watershed Association will again host its popular Native Plant Sale, where every plant is a non-invasive species. Responsible gardeners seek out these plants that do not harm the local environment.

The sale will be held on June 3 and 4 at Pocono Township Fire Company's "carnival building" on Route 611, Tannersville.

The Friday sale, which runs 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., is for BWA members only. Visitors can sign up for membership at the sale to get a 10% discount on plant purchases.

Saturday's sale is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Experts will be available to offer advice on gardening, and how native plants make gardening easier on gardeners and the environment.

Native plants are best adapted to the local climate, growing season, and soils. They often do not need as much watering, and they do not spread too much as invasives do. Non-native plants may not provide pollinators (such as bees and butterflies) with enough nectar or pollen. Replacing invasives with native

plants returns the environment to a more natural state, where plants and wildlife evolved successfully together.

For information, see [brodheadwatershed.org](http://brodheadwatershed.org), call 570-839-1120, or email [info@brodheadwatershed.org](mailto:info@brodheadwatershed.org). A list of the native plants, which will be on sale, is posted on the website.



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## PROJECT STREAM grants available for art projects

The Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts program, a re-grant initiative of the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, a state agency, administered in northeastern PA by the Pocono Arts Council, is now accepting applications for PROJECT STREAM grants for art projects in Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike, and Wayne counties.

Arts-related and community-based non-profit organizations

or individual artists conducting arts programming open to the community are eligible for the grants and are encouraged to apply.

Awards, not to exceed \$2,500, will be made through a local decision-making process. A total of \$39,003 in awards will be made in the 5-county area. Applications are taken online via eGRANT (after May 1) at <http://ppa.egrant.net>. Submission Deadline is June 20.

A series of Face-to-Face Workshops are available for prospective applicants to meet with Tassy Gilbert, PPA Program Coordinator for Pocono Arts Council, to discuss the grant writing and application process for the PA PARTNERS in the ARTS Project Stream Grants at the following locations:

May 25, 6-8 p.m. - ARTSPACE Gallery - Pocono Arts Council  
18 North Seventh Street, Stroudsburg.

[www.poconoarts.org](http://www.poconoarts.org)

Further information can be found by visiting its website, [www.poconoarts.org](http://www.poconoarts.org).

RSVP to [tassy@poconoarts.org](mailto:tassy@poconoarts.org) or 570-476-4460.



Monroe County Conservation District's Environmental Education Center will host an art show featuring Nancy Hopping - "*Living With Wildlife*," with a reception from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, May 21. Nancy captures the beauty of Pocono wildlife and captures what she sees and feels in her photography. This exhibit will run through May 31.

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# Rotary Aviation Day set to serve up memories

by Jeanine Hofbauer

Ready to top last year's numbers of over 800 breakfasts by noon, Aviation Day Fly-in & Drive-in organizers, the Mount Pocono Rotary Club, is set to serve up another memorable event 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, May 29 at Pocono Mountains Municipal Airport. Family friendly festivities go beyond pancakes to propellers, offering plane and helicopter rides introducing attendees to the world of aviation, while recognizing the men and women who serve our nation.



Event Co-Chair Vern Moyer comments, "We invite the community to come out and have a great breakfast, see the car and aircraft displays, enjoy the kids' attractions and join us as we pay tribute to our country and brave military."

He adds that the event conceived over 20 years ago "has grown to be one of the Mt. Pocono Rotary's largest annual fundraisers with over \$120,000 raised that was distributed to non-profit and deserving causes throughout the community."

Funds raised this year will benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation sharing a vision to "grant the wish of every child diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition." Tickets for the all-you-can-eat breakfast are \$10 for adults with children 12 and under \$6. In addition to free airplane rides for kids ages 8 to 17 by the Young Eagles EAA Program, adults can purchase airplane and helicopter rides donated by sponsors Moy-



Honor Guard (from left) Glenn Sphar, D.B. Bennett and Lorna O'Farrell stood at attention for memorial services during Aviation Day last year on May 24.

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## Gifford Pinchot: Who is he and why is our state forest named after him?

A presentation about Gifford Pinchot will take place on May 16 at 7 p.m. at the Thornhurst Township Building, 356 Old River Road.

North Pocono CARE [Citizens Alert Regarding the Environment] is sponsoring a program by Melody Remillard, Visitor Services Information Specialist with the US Forest Service at Grey Towers National Historic Site (NHS).

She will show wonders of Grey Towers, the magnificent ancestral home of Gifford Pinchot, and talk about this noted conservationist, founder and first Chief of

the US Forest Service, and two-term Governor of Pennsylvania.

In addition, the presentation will include some of the many accomplishments of prominent members of the Pinchot family, specifically in terms of their contributions to the American Conservation Movement, the arts, education, and social justice in American society.

Everyone is welcome. The program is free and no registration is required. For more information contact Bonnie Smith at 570-262-7055 or e-mail NP-CARE@att.net.



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## Holocaust Remembrance event

The Pocono Cinema & Cultural Center will host a community event, "Holocaust Remembrance...The Hidden Children," on May 14 at 7 p.m. and May 15 at 1 p.m. The Pocono Cinema & Cultural Center is located at 88 South Courtland Street, East Stroudsburg.

Participants will view a documentary about the hidden children of the Holocaust, hear stories by survivors who were hidden children in Hungary during the Holocaust, and take part in an interactive panel discussion. Additionally, Pocono Cinema's art gallery will host "The Legacy Exhibit," a moving collection of museum-quality artifacts, reproductions and original photographs from the Holocaust that will be on display from May 13 through May 19. The event is free and available during the theater's normal operating hours.

Sponsored by the Holocaust Resource Center of the Jewish Federation of the Allentown, "The Legacy Exhibit" is designed to help viewers grasp the full meaning of the Holocaust, one of the most difficult aspects to teaching this period of history. The exhibit is provided free to schools, libraries, and organizations as a supplement to their World War II studies. To learn more about bringing the Legacy Exhibit to your school or organization, contact curator, Marylou Lordi at 908-512-0490 or mllordi@yahoo.com.

The event will begin with a viewing of *Remember Us*, a documentary film about the hidden children of the Holocaust. Hidden Children. That's the title given to countless children who survived The Holocaust by being placed out of harm's ways. By finding sanctuary in the arms of strangers, through the assistance of friends and acquaintances or even soldiers, "the enemy," who ended up looking the other direction for one way or another. These tales aren't always easy. There's hardship and close calls. There's

struggle and fear. There are tales of family members literally being ripped away to be transported to destinations unknown. Tales of friends and neighbors being gunned down in the streets. However, for every tale of pain and woe, there is a moment of joy sometimes scurried away in the mind of a long since grown child. These moments are what we aim to capture. These moments are what we aim to share.

After the film, participants will be invited to participate in an interactive panel discussion with several survivors who were hidden children. The panel will be comprised of Evi Blaikie, Tamas Revai, and Suzanne Nash.

### Suzanne Nash

Born in Budapest. She was a young teen when the Germans overran Hungary. She and her parents were hidden

by one of her father's clients. In the last days of the war, during the siege of Budapest, an unexploded shell near their hiding place propelled her father to seek new refuge. He was recognized by marauding fascist thugs and shot. Suzanne left Hungary in 1949, lived in a Displaced Person camp for a year, spent some time in England, Switzerland and Spain before finally settling down in New York City in 1955. She has one son and six grandchildren.

### Tamas Revai, CPA

Born in Budapest. At age 9 was moved to the Ghetto with his family during the Nazi/Fascist regime. They tried to escape but were caught and taken to a deportation center, from where a Christian family friend rescued them by pretending to arrest them for murder. He escaped Hungary during the 1956 Revolution, spent 4 years in Germany before coming to the US and settling in New York City. He received his degree from

Baruch College. Tamas has 2 children and 4 grandchildren.

### Evi Blaikie

Born in Paris to Hungarian parents, was smuggled into Hungary when her parents were arrested and deported from France in 1941. In 1944 when the Germans overran Hungary; she was hidden on a farm with false identity papers. At the end of the war, she returned to France with her surviving, but traumatized, mother. She spent the next 10 years in orphanages in France and England. After completing her studies in Austria, she spent a year in Venezuela and finally, in 1960, moved to New York City where she has lived since. She is the author of *Magda's Daughter*, an autobiography. She has 3 children and 5 grandchildren.

Evi Blaikie, published author and contributing editor of *Remember Us* will have copies of her book available for purchase. All profits from book sales go to the Memorial Museum of Hungarian

Speaking Jewry, Safed, Israel.

The *Holocaust Remembrance...The Hidden Children* event takes place shortly after Holocaust Remembrance Day, also known as Yom Hashoah, which is on May 5 this year. This is one day set aside each year when those who suffered, fought, and died during the Holocaust are especially remembered.

Six million Jews were murdered during the Holocaust. In addition, five million others were murdered during the Holocaust: three million Polish Catholics and Christians, including thousands of Catholic priests and Christian pastors, half a million Eastern European Gypsies, tens of thousands of homosexuals, people with handicaps, members of religious groups who did not believe in the Nazi ideology, such as Jehovah Witnesses, as well as German citizens who refused to go along with Hitler's plan.

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# Seth's Sightings by Seth Isenberg

As we left the WBS Penguins game on Saturday when it ended after about 9:30 p.m., I saw a running deer sprint along the grass at the edge of the parking lot and pointed it out to Ruth. It stopped briefly in a grassy area not far from us, somewhat cowed by the line of vehicles in front of it. It then ran past one of the men directing traffic, and ran parallel to the line of slow-moving cars until it reached a point where it found an opening it could safely run through. I could see then that traffic coming out of the lot had stopped for it. The deer fled off into the wooded area overlooking the arena, safe for the moment.

The WBS Penguins lost that Saturday game, but came back with a hard-fought overtime win on Monday night. They've tied the Hershey Bears (whose fans did travel to cheer their guys on — enjoying a loud celebration on Saturday). The Bears fans were quiet on Monday after the winning goal, but now the locals have to win at the Giant

Center if we're to see them move to the next round of the Calder Cup playoffs. There's a home game back here on the 13th. Future games depend on the Penguins winning two of these last three contests.

Driving into New Jersey, we saw that east of Stroudsburg was where forests look to be more green. Full leaf in our area isn't going to happen for another week or two — perhaps as late as Memorial Day weekend if the nights stay cool — below 50°. As far to the east as Budd Lake where my uncle lives, the trees were still not completely in foliage. So, foliage will be late this year. We can only hope for a later turn of leaves this fall.

Saturday morning, I was out with the Rotary Club of Weatherly as part of their annual road cleanup, and did some tire removal from a small stream with was just out of sight of the road about midway between Weatherly and Beaver Meadows. It was not a surprise that I removed not only tires, but also ticks.

There were more tires there — I'll need to organize a crew to get them out before mosquito season. The following day we took Chess out for a run in the Gamelands area south of White Haven. Again, it was no surprise to find a couple of ticks. I'm going to start spraying around my socks when we go into the woods, because it looks like a tick-full summer.

Other sightings included a hunting hawk that swept low across our vehicle as we traveled east on Route 80 on Sunday, and I sighted a couple of others small and large as I drove the area on Monday.

## Frogs and Salamanders and Toads, oh my!

Monroe County Conservation District's Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center announces "Josie Porter Farm Meandering — Reptiles and Amphibians

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Not being big Yankees fans, Ruth and I tend to look to attend RailRiders games when the weather is perfect — nice warm summer nights for example — or when the Pawtucket Red Sox come to town. The PawSox were here this past week so we might have attended on Tuesday night, but the game was a 10:30 a.m. day game. Had we gone, we would have come home happy, too, as the PawSox shut out the locals, adding icing on the win with two runs in the 9th. We continue to cheer the big Penguins in the NHL playoffs, and now are following the Wheeling Penguins affiliate's playoffs efforts, too. Auto racing at Pocono Raceway is three weeks away. Get your tickets now. We will attend the Friday ARCA race, Saturday's Xfinity race, and Sunday's Sprint Cup as well.

I am counting the days towards the Olympics in Rio. The event will hopefully go off with no serious problems. Brazil right now is in a political tizzy, so the Olympics could be a welcome distraction from the political mess there. Of course, there's also the chance that everyone will be competing at record-setting speeds, just to stay ahead of any mosquitoes.

We are planning to picnic at Knoebels on the 14th, WVIA day, and hope to see many WVIA supporters from our area there. On the evening of the 21st, we hope to head into Allentown to the PPL Center to go cheer the SteelHawks on towards their indoor football league playoffs. In between, we have a full plate of newspaper work, which is not a bad thing, only a busy one.

Farm Meanderings are from 4-6 p.m., rain or shine. Please wear comfortable walking shoes and dress to be outside. Walks meet in the farm parking lot on Cherry Valley Rd. Pre-registration is suggested.

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On Friday, May 27 and Saturday, May 28, the Clymer Library, 115 Firehouse Road, Pocono Pines, will hold a Home, Garden, and Craft Sale to benefit the library. On Friday, the sale will be held from 11 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and on Saturday, the sale will take place from 10 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. at the library.

Patrons can choose from a variety of indoor and outdoor plants at the sale, including

spiderwort, angel, aloe, lucky bamboo, and jade plants, as well as geraniums and much more. The sale will also feature many beautiful craft items. Prices start as low as 50¢.

For more information, contact Louise Leon, member of the Clymer Library Board of Trustees, at (570) 646-4912 or by email at [louiseleon@gmail.com](mailto:louiseleon@gmail.com).

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423, back to Old Route 940, ending at the school.

Following the parade will be a ceremony at the cemetery. All post members and guests are welcome for refreshments after the ceremony.

## Penn Forest Wind Farm proposal protests mounting

Citizens of Penn Forest Township, from Albrightsville south nearly to Jim Thorpe, are organizing to fight a proposal to place up to 40 wind turbines on the

ridge owned by the Bethlehem Water Authority.

Early plans show that these 400 to 550 foot tall units would be placed within a mile of the various developments

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# Senate approves Scavello Bill boosting littering fines

Legislation sponsored by Senator Mario Scavello to increase fines for littering was approved by the Senate.

Currently, fines for littering under Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) run from \$50 to \$300 for a first-time offense, and \$300 to \$1,000 for a second and subsequent offense.

Senate Bill 973 boosts fines up to \$2,000 for multiple offenses based on the size of weight and cubic feet of litter.

This legislation will also increase the littering fines outlined in Title 75, with heavier penalties for littering from vehicles on highways, properties and water, and agsecurity areas.

"I believe the current fine system is not a proper deterrent for this crime," said Scavel-

lo. "The amount of trash along roadways and elsewhere is not just aesthetically unpleasant,

it's bad for the environment."

The measure now goes to the House of Representatives.

## Submarine Veterans Pocono Base to meet

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# National Auto Stores move to bigger space in Blakeslee

by Seth Isenberg

National Auto Stores in Blakeslee's move across Routes 940 and 115 to their new location in the Blakeslee Corners Shopping Center should be complete by Friday. The store is likely be ready for customers on Friday or Saturday.

National Auto Stores moved into a bigger space from their old location in the Blakeslee Plaza. The new space is 8,000 square feet versus the 6,300 in the old location. When things are busy, the store employs as many as 15 people full and part time.

National Auto Store's new

space was formerly occupied by Dollar General, which moved to a newly built building about two years ago. The space has been vacant since. Prior to DG's being in there, the space was a part of where Ahart's Market used to be.

On staying in Blakeslee, co-owner David Stein said,

"We like the area. The customers are genuinely nice folks."

National Auto Stores is a family business established 1969. The company, based in Pennsylvania, operates 17 stores in

eastern PA. It's operated by the second generation of the Stein family, brothers David, Richard and Andrew. There are stores in Blakeslee, Brodheadsville, Stroudsburg, and Bangor.

**Deadline for advertisements in our Memorial Day issue is Monday, May 23. Call 570-443-9131 x1302 to learn more.**

## Doggie Fun Fair Day set

Doggie Fun Fair Day will take place May 21 from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Schoolhouse Central Inc., at 2452 Route 534, next to the Albrightsville Firehouse.

Carbon County Animal Shelter rescues local stray dogs. Come meet Tom Connors and the CCAS Mascot, Chance. There will be a pet parade at 1 p.m. Prizes will be awarded for best dressed, most tricks, biggest dog, and smallest dog.

Donations from the CCAS wish list will be collected. A

clothing drive will be held to benefit the shelter. Bring any of the donated items listed and receive a ticket for a free hot dog. Drinks, snacks, and cake will also be sold.

Several dog-themed wood crafted items will be raffled. The Rev. Bill Dearin will be giving pet blessings. T and R Production Photography will be taking pet photos all day. Friendly pets are welcome, and there will be games for the kids.

The event is sponsored by Thrivent Financial.

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- Give gratitude
- \*In the manner of, French
- Etna output
- Saintly glows
- Filling station filler
- Never say this?
- Outhouse
- FedEx competitor
- Gallery opening, e.g.
- \*Firm to the bite, Italian
- \*Agreement, French
- Luau welcome
- Prep flour for baking
- Public house, for short
- Sudden break
- Tapioca in primordial stage
- Beehive state
- Stewie Griffin's bed
- Holy Grail, e.g.
- Infamous Roman
- Having prongs
- \_\_\_\_-a-whirl
- Dr. Watson to Sherlock Holmes, e.g.
- Hostile to
- In good health, often precedes "hearty"
- Door holders
- Where Magi came from
- Feeling blue
- \_\_\_\_ cream
- Bird word
- \*Mashed chickpeas, Arabic
- \*"Airy" desert, French
- Put through a blender
- William F. Cody, \_\_\_\_ Buffalo Bill
- Alley cat
- Ar on Periodic Table
- Band booking
- L in AWOL
- Harbor ill feelings
- \_\_\_\_ of Good Feelings
- Keyboard key

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- \*Cover in Spanish
- Fling
- Like Gobi
- Innie or outie
- Father of Keynesian economics
- Chills and fever
- Napkin holder
- \*Allegro \_\_\_\_ in music, Italian
- Prefix meaning "left"
- Affirm solemnly
- Vendors do this
- Public hanging?
- Greek god's libation
- Color lightly
- Chlorofluorocarbon
- "Mr. Twister" gear
- \*Judy's husband, from Italian Pulcinella
- Embryo cradles
- Sacha Cohen's middle name
- \*Vocal piece for one, Italian
- Comedian \_\_\_\_ Rogan
- Bruce Wayne's Batman, e.g.
- \*Fancy country house, Italian
- Behaved
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- Cell phone bill item
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# Pocono Medical Center provides pre-prom prevention

by Jeanine Hofbauer

Pocono Medical Center Community Safety Program partnered with West End Community Ambulance Association providing Pre-Prom Safety Education to Pleasant Valley High School Seniors April 27. With prom season in full swing, the organizations invited students to tryout a distracted driving simulator set to teach about the dangers of distracted driving.

"If I scare somebody here so be it!" stated PV principal



Driver Renee Milos attempts to tackle the Distracted Driving Simulator during Pleasant Valley High School Pre-Prom Safety Education with passengers (front) Devon Woltal, (back) Joachim Wuebber and Chad Denni. JP: Hofbauer Strategies

John Gress before vowing "never again" to let "bad decisions" take the lives of students without reminding everyone to drive responsibly after an accident claimed the lives of eight graduates just seven years earlier.

Sights set on Seton Hall after graduation to study Physical Therapy, Renee Milos agreed programs like this are about "keeping everybody safe in our schools."

Later volunteering as the first in a line of simulator testers, the senior stunned passengers as she attempted to keep control while an assortment of obstacles interrupted her driving.

"This experience lets people witness reality without the consequences," explained PMC coordinator Braedon Abbazio telling of frequent visits throughout the county offering advice to teen drivers.

## Save Haven adoption day

Safe Haven Dog Rescue will hold an adoption day from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on May 15, at Tractor Supply, Rt. 940, Mt. Pocono.

For more information about Safe Haven, and to find a list

of dogs available for adoption and adoption applications, please visit [www.SafeHaven-Pa.org](http://www.SafeHaven-Pa.org). Contact Safe Haven at [SafeHaven@epix.net](mailto:SafeHaven@epix.net). Join Safe Haven Pa on Facebook.

## Clymer Library needs gently used book donations

Books in very good to excellent condition are currently being accepted as donations to the Clymer Library for its summer book sale, which will be held on June 9, 10 & 11. Also being accepted are DVDs, Audiobooks, CDs, Magazines and Puzzles and Games.

Fiction and Non-fiction for youth and adults, "How to Books", and biographies are especially welcomed. We cannot accept textbooks or travel books that are more than 5 years old or computer "How To" books more than 2 years old. Magazines such as National Geographic, Audubon, Smithsonian or Bon Appetite are needed, and should have covers in good condition and are bundled by date in groups of six. Puzzles and games containing all pieces, in original boxes are also needed.

This fundraising effort is a huge event, so volunteers are needed to help sort books and

to work the days of the book sale. To make arrangements for your donations or volunteering, please call Volunteer Coordinator Diane Lake or Book Sale Chairperson Irene Stolzenberg at the Clymer Library at 570-646-0826.

The Clymer Library offers thousands of books, movies, audiobooks, magazines, audio CD's, as well as computer and internet access to residents in Tobyhanna and Tunkhannock Townships. Each month the library offers many programs for all ages, like the popular, weekly story hour for kids.

Clymer Library is located at 115 Firehouse Road in Pocono Pines. For information on these and other summer programs at the library, call (570) 646-0826 or visit the library's website at [clymerlibrary.org](http://clymerlibrary.org) and find us on Facebook. The Clymer Library is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

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# Police Beat

by Seth Isenberg

PA State Police – Fern Ridge investigated an ethnic intimidation incident at the Lakshmi Cow and Animal Sanctuary on Possinger Drive in Reeders, Jackson Township, that happened overnight 3-19 to 20. Someone left a cow head on the property during the night. In Hinduism, the cow is a symbol of life and may never be killed. PSP developed information that implicated a Tannersville couple, Kimberly Ann McKee, 19, and Ricky C. Strausser, 25. On May 2, they were arrested and have been charged before District Judge Colleen Mancuso with criminal conspiracy, prowling at night, criminal trespass, ethnic intimidation, harassment and more.

Just after 4 p.m. on 5-5, Pocono Township Police stopped a Mercedes SUV at the Crossings mall in Tannersville. Police established reasonable suspicion of criminal activity, and obtained con-

sent to search the vehicle. Police found 11 fraudulent credit cards in the glove box. These had been used to buy cigarettes at stores "in the Poconos" that were then to be taken into New York City to be resold. The driver and his passenger were arrested for access device fraud, and taken to the Monroe County jail to await arraignment.

A 73 y/o Albrightsville driver pulled her Ford Fusion out from the STOP sign on Towamensing Trail at Route 534—right into the side of an oncoming car at 6 p.m. on 5-4. While she was unhurt, the 21 y/o woman and her 16 y/o passenger in the Nissan Rogue that she hit were both hurt, needing an ambulance trip to Gnadon Huetten Hospital for care. The Fusion driver was ticketed for a STOP sign violation, and for causing the accident.

PSP-F arrested a Kresgeville man who was fighting, and being threatening, while at the Turkey Hill store on

Route 209 in Gilbert at 7 p.m. on 5-2.

At 4 p.m. on 5-1, Pocono Mountain Regional Police responded to a report of a dog that had been tied to a tree off Harvest Lane in Pocono

Summit, and left there since at least 10 a.m. Police found a tan female pit bull mix that appeared to have recently nursed puppies. Anyone with information about this is asked to call PMRPD at 570-895-2400.

PMRPD officers tried to make a traffic stop on a car driving along Kuhenbecker Road in Tunkhannock Town-

ship on 4-26. The driver would not pull over, so police pursued it for about two miles before the driver finally chose to stop. The 41 y/o driver, a Long Pond man, was arrested for fleeing and eluding, and also faces charges of having a car without registration, without a valid inspection, and without having any insurance. District

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# Police Beat...

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Judge Richard Claypool set bail at \$5,000, straight.

An Albrightsville man is accused of criminal mischief after a bank-owned home in the 100 block on North Shore Drive in Indian Mountain Lakes, Penn Forest Twp., had three windows broken overnight 5-4 to 5. The man is the former owner of the property, and was seen on the property by an agent of the bank. The man had been told he was not permitted there. The accused has denied damaging the home, or knowing who did so. Criminal trespass charges are filed with the district court in Jim Thorpe.

## The Pocono Plateau is NOT HIGH Enough for some

At 4:04 a.m. on 4-30, PMRPD got a call from the Monroe Comm Center about a crash of a car off Long Pond Road near the Interstate 80 overpass in Long Pond, Tunkhannock Twp. Police arrived to find the car—with severe front-end damage—but no driver. He was located walking along Long Pond Road. The 32 y/o Tunkhannock Twp. (Effort Mtn. area) man appeared to be under the influence of alcohol. He has a suspended driver's license due to a DUI. A pat-down also found he was carrying some personal pot. He was processed at the Monroe County DUI Center, then released to get a ride home. Charges of DUI, driving with a suspended

license, pot possession, and at least two other accident related charges, were filed with D. J. Claypool.

PMRPD was called to Route 196 in Coolbaugh Twp. at 4:46 p.m. on 5-5 because a man was walking down the middle of the road near the Tobyhanna Shopping Plaza. Police arrived and located the man, who showed signs of being under the influence. Police could see a hypodermic needle sticking out of a pocket. They could also see packets of likely heroin, and marijuana, in the pocket. He was taken into custody, and identified at PMRPD HQ as a 31 y/o resident of the APCP development. He was taken to the county jail to be lodged, pending arraignment. He faces public drunkenness and

drug possession charges before D.J. Tony Fluegel with a preliminary hearing set for 5-11.

## Stealin'

Charges are filed before D.J. Mancuso against an Effort man for stealing cash from the register while he worked for the Dunkin Donuts in Brodheadsville between 2-22 and 25. The incidents were seen on video surveillance, PSP-F 5-2.

PMRPD was called to Classic Quality Homes in Pocono Summit at 7:15 a.m. on 5-2 because someone had stolen their 2013 Peterbilt dump truck some time over the weekend, between 4-30 and 5-2. The truck has a white cab, with Classic Quality Home decals on both doors. The dump body is blue. Anyone with information is asked to call PMRPD HQ at 570 895-2400.

Overnight 5-2 to 3, someone entered a 300 block, Old Stagecoach Rd., Gilbert-area home via an unlocked window. They then stole some hand tools before fleeing, PSP-F.

A 27 y/o East Stroudsburg-area woman is charged with stealing a credit card from a 72 y/o Pocono Pines man while she was working at his home as a home-care aide in December of 2015. She used the card during December to buy items totaling \$1,284. An arrest warrant for her was issued by D.J. Claypool on 25 counts of access device fraud, theft and receiving stolen property, 5-4.

PSP-F is investigating the theft of cash from the lock box in the room of a patient at the Brookmont Healthcare Center that happened between 4-16 and 26.

PSP also reports arresting a Stroudsburg-area woman for shoplifting cosmetics at the Weis Market in Brodheadsville on 5-4.

# Rep. Parker hosts sessions

State Rep. David Parker will hold a Grounds for Discussion legislative coffee event, 9:30-10:30 a.m., on May 14 at his Coolbaugh district office, 5580 Municipal Drive, Tobyhanna.

Parker will also host a town hall on May 21 from 9:30-10:30 a.m., at the Paradise Township Municipal Building, 5912 Paradise Valley Road, Cresco.

"Residents of the 115<sup>th</sup> District are invited to join me for coffee and an engaging discussion about important state issues," Parker said. "These conversations with residents about state issues and legislation are a great way for me to hear about what issues are most important to people in our area."

There is no cost for residents to attend; however, due to limited seating, Parker requests that residents RSVP his staff at 570-420-2940 to make a reservation.

Parker's Stroudsburg district office is located in the Holland Thread Mill Building at 411 Main St., Suite 102-E.

Parker's Tobyhanna office is in the Coolbaugh Township Municipal Center, 5580 Municipal Drive.

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