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**SPREAD OUT FOR SAFETY:** Weatherly Borough Council met Monday, with four members maintaining social distance and three on the phone, Theresa D'Andrea, Jeff Miller and Chipper Farrow. Shown from left are borough manager Harold Pudliner, Mayor JP Hadzick, council member Norm Richie and council member Joe Thomas. The hands of council member Joe Cyburt are visible at the far left.

JH: Seth Isenberg

## Weatherly Borough Council

# Farewell to the footbridge

by Seth Isenberg

On April 20 at noon time, Weatherly Borough Council held its regular monthly meeting in council chambers, using social distancing, and with three council members phoning in. Council started by unanimously approving a resolution extending the state of emergency due to the Corona virus. Members were also unanimous in allowing council meetings using 'telecommunications devices.'

Council was reluctantly unanimous on a vote to seek a contract to have the old foot-

bridge over the Black Creek removed. The chosen contractor will take the old bridge off its footers and haul it away.

Manager Harold Pudliner reports that borough garbage

hauler County Waste is not picking up bulk items during the COVID-19 situation, and he asks that people do not put any bulk items out until fur-

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## White Haven Chamber seeks food drive sponsors

As part of the White Haven Area Emergency Management effort, the Greater White Haven Chamber of Commerce is spearheading a Give Back To The Community Emergency Food Drive. According to Chamber president Linda Miller, local citizens in need of supplemental food will be able to arrange for drive through pick-ups or delivery of food packages.

Businesses and individuals are being asked to consider donations as they are able. A Platinum Sponsorship of \$500 will provide over 25 boxed food packages; a Gold Sponsorship of \$300 will provide

over 15 boxed food packages; a Silver Sponsorship of \$100 will provide over 5 boxed food packages; and a Bronze Sponsorship of \$40 will provide over 2 boxed food packages.

Cash isn't a requirement—a Friend Sponsorship of time will be an invaluable part of the program.

Send a check make out to GWHCC, 408 Main Street, White Haven, PA 18661. To join or with questions, contact Miller at 570-582-9934 or [laurakristopher@gmail.com](mailto:laurakristopher@gmail.com), or White Haven Area Emergency Management at [whitehavenareacovid19@gmail.com](mailto:whitehavenareacovid19@gmail.com)



**The Easter Bunny made drive-by house calls in Penn Lake this year. Thanks to Jill Rosenstock for these photos.**



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# From the Archives

**From  
The Weatherly Herald,  
April 22, 1970  
James Faust and  
Cletus Milan, Publishers**

The front page of this issue features a set of four photos from the opening day of trout season. Three were taken of anglers and their catches from Leslie Run, and a fourth of a crowd of fishermen along the banks of the lake at the Poor House Dam.

Construction for the new 200 bed county home for the aged is targeted to start on July 1.

With the new numbers in from last year's reassessment, total real estate values jumped from \$49,978,201 in 1969 to a present value of \$73,693,973. New tax bills for the county and municipalities go out on May 1.

Featured on the front page is a nearly quarter page photo of sports editor Don Garber presenting *The Herald* trophy to outstanding senior athlete Barry Knepper, at the annual athletic banquet held last Saturday.

There's a single column, top to bottom ad on page 2 for the Milton Shapp for Governor campaign, featuring a column on Shapp's position on preserving disappearing farmlands. He asks for your vote on May 19.

Photos on page 3 from the Athletic Banquet show members of the 1969-70 basketball team presenting a plaque to retiring Coach Bill Knepper.

County, School and Penn Forest Township officials agreed

last week that the 400 acres owned by the Allentown YMCA will remain on the tax lists.

A photo shows the new basketball court and play area in Weatherly's Fourth Ward. The land was donated by Henry and Emma Englehart, and the Community Chest donated \$800 towards the basketball court and all-weather fence. Weatherly borough employees blacktopped the play area, and placed a light pole there.

Knoebels Groves advertised its opening day this Sunday, and their new Space Walk.

**From the Sidelines,  
by Don Garber**

Monday's baseball game versus Marian was rained out, and so was the rain date the next day.

Charles Murray's golfers remained unbeaten, defeating Freeland 13-2 on Tuesday afternoon.

The first game of the girls softball season will be played on April 29 at the Eurana Park field.

Game Protector Clyde Burkholder picked up a 400-pound black bear on Friday. It had been hit by a train near the Ox Bow at the foot of Broad Mountain. Clyde also shared a story about getting a call from someone at Big Boulder around Easter time, who was frightened by a bear near their cabin. He responded, and found a bear partially in hibernation, snoozing alongside a log. He kicked the log, and the bear looked up at him as if to say, "go away and let me be." The bear then got up and wobbly made his way into the forest.

*In memory of Don, who passed away this past October.*

WAHS' baseball team set the tone early in Friday's game at Jim Thorpe, with a grand slam homer by Larry Suravicz in the first inning in a game where offense was the key. WAHS won with a 15-9 final score. Pitcher Jay Hess went the distance for the Wreckers.

**From  
The Journal-Herald,  
April 26, 1990  
Clara and Jay Holder,  
Publishers**

Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. of Wilkes-Barre is no longer considered the sole sponsor of the New Bridge Festival and Homecoming in White Haven. They wanted to be the exclusive soft drink of the event. Other sponsors are being sought.

American Legion Post 360 of Weatherly received a donated POW-MIA flag given by the Valley Vets Post 8161 and Security Savings.

Weatherly Borough Council will buy an air stripper for well #3. Low level contamination has been found. The well is shut down and an investigation is underway to find the source of the contaminant. An organized town-wide cleanup has been organized for April 28, with cleaning on East Main Street, Hudsonale Street and the Weatherly Planes. Borough manager Beverly Knepper was looking to publish the names of utility delinquents. Brian Cara was appointed as a full-time police officer — there were two other candidates.

Coming to the Holiday Inn Pocono-Lake Harmony... The Awesome Ones male dance review.

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## Editorial

### Bridge is too far gone to save, too expensive to fix

by Seth Isenberg

Less than two years after Weatherly Council voted to close the old footbridge across the Black Creek, they voted again at Monday's meeting to have it removed.

Back in 2018 with its closure, the borough commissioned an engineer's review of it. The costs came back to fix it to current standards were "astounding" according to a report at the time.

The bridge is over 100 years old, likely built for workers at the Lehigh Valley Railroad shops or the steel plant that succeeded it. The bridge in its heyday was crossed by hundreds of workers in a week. Over its last years, it had almost no use at all.

Liability issues closed it, and those same issues dictate its removal.

Perhaps it can be kept as a museum item, sitting on the ground, spanning nothing, but its time spanning the creek will soon be at an end along with worries that it could collapse into the creek.



**HOW TO HONOR OUR GRADUATES?** This is a strange year for high school seniors. They are completed their education on-line, and most likely won't enjoy the traditional end-of-year events like graduation. *The Journal-Herald's* graduation issue is being planned now, and suggestions are welcome. Please e-mail journalruth@gmail.com if you have a unique way we can give these students the recognition they have earned.



# Public Notices

## LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary have been granted by the Register of Wills of Luzerne County, PA, on March 31, 2020, in the Estate of Mary A. Bobeck, late of Sugarloaf Township, who died March 12, 2020, to Mary Lee O'Donnell and Diane E. Fidishin, Co-Executrices.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

White Haven Brough Council has scheduled a Zoom meeting:  
Topic: White Haven  
Borough Council Meeting  
Time: Apr 27, 2020 06:00 PM  
Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make payment and those having claims to present them immediately to:

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## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

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Donald R. Casterline, Sydney Churchill, Kara A. Collins, Amanda G. Crosley, Emily J. Cruz, Aidan C. DeMarzo, Robert C. Duffy, Devin D. Fairchild, Donte A. Fanelli, Osten N. Grigas, Daniel J. Grimm, James L. Grosz, Lindsey Gustas, Christopher M. Harmon, Danielle Harris, Jeremy N. Hart, Justin G. Hischar, Morgan E. Hudak, Natalie M. Hunsinger, Samuel Jeckell, George E. Jennings IV, Jade A. Kenner, Colten N. Kolasensky, Grayson A. Koons, Anastasia A. Kostin, Naviah M. Labar, Olivia L. Lockman, Enderlis Martinez, Natalie A. Matthews, Leila A. McGraw, Dylan J. Minet, Olivia G. Mitchell, Haily E. Morales, Declan P. Munley, Matthew S. O'Boyle, Michael M. O'Donnell, Emma L. Pahler, Caleb S. Partington, Shelby R. Pavlick, Madison A. Phillips, Elisa E. Reluzco, Rachel E. Rick, Sean P. Rodgers, Logan S. Rolles, Joshua D. Rotski, Anthony M. Slivinski, Mikayla M. Sullick, Jason M. Swank, Anna G. Thomas, Zachary Updyke, Megan R. Werger, Jason T. Williams, Kayla L. Wisniewski, Juliette M. Witkowski, Chester T. Wright III, Natasha A. Yatsula, Katelyn A. Yohey, Madelyn E. Yohey

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# Archives...

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Lois Miller wrote a letter to the editor complaining about the condition of the fire alarm boxes around White Haven, looking for them to be repaired or updated.

This week's editorial promoted the 10K Fun Run/Walk in Weatherly as fun to run, and fun to watch. A map is printed in this issue of the route, which winds its way down and up hills through most of Weatherly, then runs along part of the Cross Country wooded run behind Weatherwood before ending at the ballfield behind the middle school.

# Weatherly...

## Continued from page 1

ther notice. Pot hole repairs are limited during the emergency — to fixing the really bad ones. Street sweeping is on hold until the emergency is over.

The borough office has a drop box for bill payments near the main entrance door at the borough building. As for construction of the new borough building, it's on hold until the Governor allows construction to resume in Pennsylvania.

The ordaining and inventory of all of the borough streets and alleys was approved after being published. This is an important step that measures which roads are on the state's

liquid fuels list, so the borough gets all the liquid fuels money it is entitled to. A few roads and alleys had been missing.

The extension of Fell Street that runs between the D'Andrea and Dannehower properties, and was never paved, was agreed to be vacated on a vote of 6 yes to one abstention, Theresa D'Andrea.

Council again tabled a decision about a lowering of electric rates for the Weatherly Foundry as there are still details to be worked out.

Bills of \$56,890 were approved, as was the treasurer's report.

There was no public present, or attending by phone. The next council meeting will be May 18 in a format to be determined.

# Death Roll

## RUTH SHIRLEY QUINN

Ruth Shirley Quinn (nee Monk), 95 of White Haven, died on Saturday, April 18, 2020 at The Meadows, Dallas. Born December, 13, 1924, in Dallas, she was the daughter of the late Earl and Irene Johnson Monk. Ruth was a graduate of Dallas Borough High School. She was also a graduate of then College Misericordia.

In 1950, she married Martin (Marty) Quinn, who celebrated his 100th birthday in February. They lived in White Haven for over 60 years. She taught secondary English and grammar at Crestwood Junior High School for over 30 years. A devout Christian, Ruth was a long-time member of

St Paul's Lutheran Church in White Haven. She served on various committees and fund raisers for many years. She was also an avid reader and enjoyed gardening and quilting.

Ruth will always be remembered as an extremely kind and gentle woman who loved spending time with her various nieces and nephews, especially when they would spend weeks during the summers with her and Marty.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by brothers William and Robert (Bob) Monk and sisters Charlotte (Tooties) Denmon and Doris Mallin. Ruth is survived by numerous loving nieces, nephews, grand-nieces, and grand-nephews. Also surviving are her sister, Jean Wilson and her husband Tex of Dallas.

A private family service was held Wednesday from the Lehman Family Funeral Service, Inc. White Haven, with the Rev. Janell Wigen, pastor, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, White Haven, officiating. Interment was in Laurel Cemetery, White Haven. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that memorial donations be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 414 Berwick Street, White Haven, PA, 18661.

## MILDRED C. ADAMS

Mildred C. Adams, 95, of Weatherly, passed away peacefully on Saturday, April 18, 2020, at the Mt. Top Nursing Home.

Born Monday, March 9, 1925, in Calhoun Georgia, the daughter of the late John and Bessie (Bensen) Williams, she was also predeceased by her first husband, Russell Hentz, and second husband, Frank Adams; sister Eloise Robinson; brothers, John, Clarence and Earl Williams.

Surviving are a daughter, Gail Haddad, wife of Anthony of Weatherly; grandchildren, Jennifer Shockley (wife of Herbert) of Hazleton, Jason Haddad (and wife Jennifer) of Canadensis, Christy Haddad of Shavertown; and two great-grandchildren, Cody and Madison Shockley.

Mildred had worked as an aide for the White Haven Center for many years. She was a member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church of Weatherly and was active in the Busy Bees of the church and belonged to the Eastern Star. Mildred enjoyed gardening and doing ceramics.

Private arrangements entrusted to the Philip J. Jeffries Funeral Home & Cremation Services of Weatherly.

Interment will be in Union Cemetery, Weatherly.

## CLYDE E. SEARFOSS

Clyde E. Searfoss, 75, of Salem Township, passed away peacefully on April 12, 2020 at his home, following a valiant battle with cancer.

Born in Weatherly on January 8, 1945 he was a son of the late Luella M. (Woodring) and Arthur H. Searfoss, Sr. He was a graduate of Weatherly High School, class of 1964. Clyde served honorably in the US Army from 1965 to 1967 during the Vietnam War. He worked at JA & WA Hess Inc. as a heavy equipment mechanic for over 25 years.

Clyde was a member of Berwick Bible Church. He was a talented musician, who enjoyed music and played several different instruments. He loved riding horses and his motorcycle, and also liked hunting. He followed basketball and enjoyed watching any

game, including girls basketball. His faithful companion "Yella" was always by his side.

He will be greatly missed by his children, Lisa A. Staber, Berwick, Peggy J. Scrivens, McDonough, GA, Clyde J. Searfoss, Frackville, Libby E. Davis, Berwick, and Wesley W. Davis, Bloomsburg; grandchildren Arlo Staber, Nikholas, Austin and Kaitlyn Rooney, Savanah and Emily Searfoss; brother Arthur Searfoss, Jr and wife Ethel, Trappe, PA; sisters Joan Chermansky and Dolores Artim, both of Weatherly; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Ethel Searfoss (1955), and brothers, Clark Searfoss (2001) and James Searfoss (2014).

At Clyde's request, all services will be private at the convenience of the family.

Heller Funeral Home, LLC, Nescopeck is assisting his family. Online messages of comfort may be sent to condolences@hellerfuneral.com.



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# Kidder Township Police busy with rentals checks

by Seth Isenberg

Kidder Township has a lot of short-term rental properties, especially around Lake Harmony. With the Covid-19 crisis, it seems these short-term rentals are mostly full-up, which has led to local

concerns and complaints.

Kidder's police have had "lot of calls," according to police chief Matt Kuzma. His department has been out on a lot of investigations – as many as 20 in one day. "Everyone is complying... showing long-term leases" (so far). The

department is also looking at construction that's continuing, making visits to check on waiver paperwork. Kuzma adds that all of these calls are documented.

At the Kidder supervisors meeting on April 16, supervisors' chairman Thomas Bradley

called the members of the Kidder Police department "heroes" for the work they are doing. "We commend all of you."

Kuzma added that his department is "working to ease the public's minds" during the shelter-in-place / stay at home and other state government

edicts. He thanked the public and businesses who have donated supplies, and food, with a special thanks to WalMart in Leighton.

New uniforms are expected to arrive soon. New protective vests are on order, but had not arrived as of the meeting.

# Watch for Dangerous Traps in Online Learning

by Dr. Katie M. Leach

## Plagiarism

The deadline for an assignment comes up and it is not done. Some students will be tempted to find an article with the answers needed, and then copy/paste the article, changing a few words, to make it different than the original. But it might be too close. How do students know how much to change to avoid plagiarism?

To be fair to students, this is not an easy question to answer. By the time students are in late elementary school, they have learned what plagiarism is, and that it is wrong. But the question of how much to change is a tough one.

A simple solution to this dilemma is to copy a few sentences from the edited paper

and paste it into the search bar, with quotations, and see if the article used pops up. For example, "put a few sentences that might not be changed enough into the search bar, like this", and if your article pops up, you know it is too close to the original article, and is in danger of copyright violation.

## Website Accuracy and Accountability

In the scenario above, an assignment due soon, students might quickly do a search for a topic, and choose the first article about the subject and begin writing. Unfortunately, some of the top hits might not be written with accuracy, and might be

from a site with misleading content.

Students wanting to learn about Martin Luther King, Jr. might click on a site about him that is run by members of the KKK. If a student is not familiar with Martin Luther King, Jr., they might not know that what they are reading is false and misleading content.

We hear so much about "fake news" and there are "fake websites" as well. Even a few wrong letters in the URL will lead to the wrong site. If you go to a .com instead of a .org, you might find yourself in a very different website than expected.

To help students learn about safely navigating digitally, check out the NewseumED for students to learn about "Finding Reliable Facts." The News

Literacy Project's, "Checkology" helps students tell the difference between fact and fiction. The FBI has "Cyber Islands", which are games for each grade level from 3rd to 8th grade to learn about "safe online surfing".

## Cheating

It's easy, it's quick, and it is a big problem in online learning. Groups of students will work together to find the answers to a test. One student in the group will take the test. After the test is submitted, the teacher will give the correct answers, to help the student see what was answered incorrectly. This will help the student learn from his/her mistakes. However, once this student has the

answers, other students can find out what the correct answers are simply by asking, or bribing, the first student who took the test.

When students work in cheating "rings", they usually never physically meet together. It is an online association and the same student is not always the first one to take the test. Teachers are starting to not give the correct answers until all students have taken the test, but this is not the best teaching practice. Parents, be wary of this. Once the teacher catches on to the cheating "ring", the teacher can take numerous steps to stop cheating, and students usually receive a zero for the test, but more importantly, the teacher loses a great deal of respect for students who cheat.

# Veterans Corner

Commentary by John Kearns, USCG Ret., [chiefk@pa.metrocast.net](mailto:chiefk@pa.metrocast.net)

## WHITE HAVEN VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST 6615

It has been rumored that the VFW may not reopen, that is not true. When the State of PA and local government deems it safe for this type of business to open, it will. There will be more in next week's article.

**TOBYHANNA Army Depot's Military Exchange** is open to purchase Liquor and Distilled spirits. To enter the base and shop, you need a

military ID, active or retired. There has been a change for veterans who in the past needed to have a rating at 100% disabled — now that's changed to having a service connection to a disability. If your VA ID card has the words "Service Connected," that is acceptable to shop at the exchange and Commissary.

If you have not been on the base before, make sure you bring your vehicle registration and proof of insurance. And, while they restock often, they also sell out very quickly. On some days there is a purchase

limit of 2 bottles of liquor and other times not.

Currently, guests are not allowed, and anyone in your vehicle without a required base entry ID will not be allowed to enter. The Tobyhanna Army Depot requires service connected to have a background check to be entered into their ID system. Service connected veterans must stop at visitors center for a one time check. This applies to veterans who never visited the base before.

**DISABLED VETS WILL RECEIVE STIMULUS MONEY:** After earlier con-

fusion, the U.S. Treasury Department has now announced that qualifying U.S. military veterans who get VA benefits but who didn't file tax returns will receive their COVID-19 stimulus checks automatically. There had been concern that some veterans would not get stimulus checks because they don't all file tax returns or receive social security so were falling through the cracks. Many of those veterans receive VA benefits, such as pensions. On April 17, the U.S. Department of the Treasury and IRS announced that

they "are working directly with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to ensure Veterans and their beneficiaries who receive Compensation and Pension (C&P) benefit payments will receive their Economic Impact Payments automatically and without additional paperwork." The change will mostly affect disabled and low-income veterans and their surviving family members, according to Stars and Stripes, though they added that it could take weeks for veterans to get the checks.

## Crestwood Honors...

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**HOW TO HONOR OUR GRADUATES?** This is a strange year for high school seniors. They are completed their education on-line, and most likely won't enjoy the traditional end-of-year events like graduation. *The Journal-Herald's* graduation issue is being planned now, and suggestions are welcome. Please e-mail [journalruth@gmail.com](mailto:journalruth@gmail.com) if you have a unique way we can give these students the recognition they have earned.

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# Mountain Top manufacturer teams with Geisinger to design reusable PPEs

A local manufacturing company has converted its operations to produce effective and durable personal protective gowns for frontline health-care workers at Geisinger and throughout the nation. i2M, located in Mountain Top, is

a leading producer of flexible polymer films used in products such as shower pan liners, pool liners, decking, product labels and window graphics.

"If you've ever put a bumper sticker on your car, taken a

## Block shoot winners listed

A VFW Block shoot was scheduled to be held March 28 but had to be cancelled. However, a ticket was drawn for the Mossberg 500 Field shotgun raffle. The winner was Michele Mengofik.

There were three splatter boards for meat trays, and two

boards for hams. Gary Pfeiffer won two of the meat trays and two hams, and Josh Detweiler won the remaining meat tray board.

The VFW thanks everyone who participated and hope you will join them when they can reschedule another shoot.



Alex Grover displays one of the PPEs.

shower or walked on luxury vinyl tile, you've probably come into contact with one of our products," said i2M Chief Operating Officer Alex Grover. "Our team believes that it is the responsibility of U.S. manufacturers to step up to the plate for our medical heroes and first responders."

The company found itself well-positioned to design

material to create medical gowns that were durable and reusable for hospital staff. Mrs. Grover was able to connect with Geisinger's Director of Emergency Management Stephanie Gryboski to help create the best design and needs for the gowns.

"I supplied Alex from i2M with the specifications on our current isolation gowns. From

those, she designed the vinyl, reusable gowns," Gryboski said. "These are great because they can be disinfected and reused and are very durable."

The gowns are long sleeve, waterproof and they secure at the waist for a comfortable fit. They are generously sized for full coverage and flexibility and have a medium gloss finish that makes them easy to disinfect after use.

"We're also working on developing face shields, which we realized we are capable of developing after receiving step-by-step instructions from Stephanie," said Grover, who donated 1,000 gowns to Geisinger.

Grover said Geisinger's confidence in their product gave the company confidence to its efforts. By the end of this week, i2M plans to distribute more than 5,000 gowns to first responders and medical centers nationwide. They set a goal to distribute more than 10,000 within the next three weeks.

"i2M's donation was incredibly generous, especially because it was a changeover for their team that wasn't easy. They worked hard to get the product right before presenting it to us," Gryboski said. "We appreciated their diligence and determination to get us a good product."

"It was an easy decision to donate 1,000 gowns to Geisinger. We firmly believe that we will only defeat COVID-19 if we come together as a team and as a community," Grover said. "The i2M team sees our gowns as our contribution to winning the war against the virus on our home turf."

To make a donation in the fight against COVID-19, please visit [Geisinger.org/fightcovid](http://Geisinger.org/fightcovid) or call 800-739-6882.



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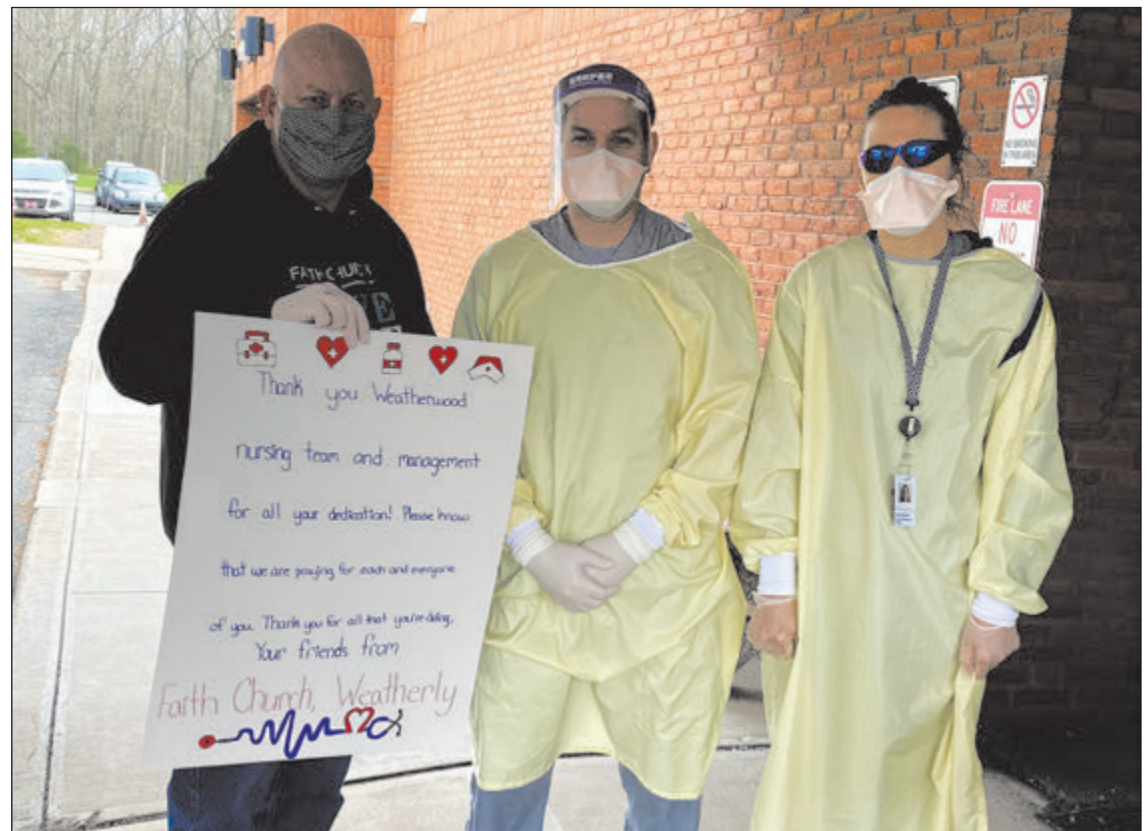


# DOYLE HEFFLEY

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Faith Church Weatherly went to Weatherwood nursing home last Friday to thank the administration and nursing staff for their selfless dedication and tireless efforts as essential healthcare workers. As part of their thank you, they provided all with lunch and had a prayer service outside in the parking lot to lift each and every one up in prayer.





# Morgan Gonzalez is March WAHS Senior of the Month

Morgan Gonzalez, daughter of Amber and Miguel Leon, White Haven, and Edwin Gonzalez, has been named Senior of the Month for March at Weatherly Area High School.

Morgan serves as president of the High School band and secretary of the Interact Club, and is a member of the Kindness Club, the Scholastic Scrimmage team, SGA, Student Forum, Carbon County Band, and the Weatherly Area High School chapter of the National Honor Society. Morgan also provides Spanish tutoring to underclassmen.

In the community, Morgan volunteers her time with the Tweedle Park and annual Ferwood Music Camp cleanups.



She participates in window painting for the residents of Weatherwood, and is an annual volunteer for Night to Shine, a prom for people with disabilities. Morgan is employed by Wawa in White Haven.

Sponsor for March is Lisa's Expert Care Dog Grooming, in Weatherly.

# WAMS honor roll listed

The following is the honor roll list from the Weatherly Area Middle School for the third marking period which ended March 27, 2020.

## PRINCIPAL'S HONOR LIST

The criteria for students to earn Principal's Honors is to attain an average grade of 95 or better in major subjects with no grade below 90 in any subject taken:

### 6<sup>TH</sup> Grade

Logan Aneskevich, Sofia Evans, McKenna Gerhard, Kayla Kennelly, Raymond Montz, Vaughn Nun, Grace Portell, Kelly Reiner, Niko Saldukas, Jacob Tom, Corbin Wagner, Abigail Weston, Aisha Zuberi.

### 7<sup>TH</sup> Grade

Angelina Aurisano, Ethan Darraugh, Eva Eroh, Kiley Holman, Izabel Jones, Vincent Paisley, Rachel Rosenlund, Ava Sahaida.

### 8<sup>TH</sup> Grade

Juliette Bartel, Nichilas

Borelli, Taylor Davidovich, Niklaus Eroh,

Kaylee Gaydosick, Milana Grier, Isobel Hoffman, Marissa Hoffman, Bethany Houser, Jack James, Mellanie Marshman, Trinity McCutcheon, Jonathan Sachs, Jada Saldukas, Mikayla Tom, Sun Wang, Reina Whalen.

## FIRST HONORS

The criteria for students to earn First Honors is to attain an average grade of 90 or better in major subjects with no grade below an 85 in any subject taken:

### 6<sup>TH</sup> Grade

Alyssa Ahner, Stephen Barnic, Abigail Binder, Jasmine Bresnak, Parker Knight, Kaitlyn Strohl, Mason Veasie, Amanda Whale.

### 7<sup>TH</sup> Grade

Abigal Best, Ryan Breslosky, John Donish, Andrew Dotzel, Brooke Hamlett, James McLaurin, Evan Miller, Mackenzie Rhodes, Alexander Rosenlund.

### 8<sup>TH</sup> Grade

Angeleigh Burke, Dominic Collins, Kendall Gerhart, Roxana Gonzalez, Samantha Hibbler, Timothy Keck, Aubrie Kelly, Leland Kunkle, Dante Lobello, Erin Prete, Tyler Stahley, Chase Veasie, Chritiana Wofford

## SECOND HONORS

The criteria for students to earn Second Honors is to attain an average grade of 85 or better in major subjects with no grade below an 80 in any subject taken:

### 6<sup>TH</sup> Grade

Madylin Blackwell, Sienna Brown, Brandon Davis, Hannah Fisher, Antoinette Guerra, Grace Hinger, Christian Masterson, Christopher Masterson, Adia Russell, Brianne Slaga.

### 7<sup>TH</sup> Grade

Nastasia Cruz, Hayden DiGennaro, Mekena Eubanks, Mason Gonzalez, Cheyenne Holguin, Melissa Houesr, Kaiya Kunkle, Carter Landis, Conner McAuley.

### 8<sup>TH</sup> Grade

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## Inducted into Phi Kappa Phi

Shelby Berger of Weatherly and Antonio Grottola of White Haven were recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines.

Berger is a student at Pennsylvania State University.

Grottola is a student at Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania.

# Seth's Sightings by Seth Isenberg

## The Flowers that Bloom

Things have become a bit "routine" during this shelter-in-place time. Ruth and I have allowed ourselves to slow down, which is not a bad thing, but we miss the variety of activity. This area offers plenty to do, when allowed to do it. We are now itching to go to farmers' markets, ethnic restaurants, shows and the like. We can only wait for the reopening of the state's businesses.

This would have been the weekend for the opening of Knoebels. Perhaps in mid-May, Governor Wolf?

Looking ahead, a wide number of activities are cancelled, some through June and beyond. The PA Shakespeare Festival is one, gone from the calendar in 2020. Holding on in hope include the Celtic Fling and Pocono Raceway's NASCAR double header weekend in late June, and the Briggs Farm Blues Festival, and new for us this year, the Benton (PA) Frontier Days and rodeos in early and mid-July, all of which we'll learn more about as the governments release restrictions.

Perhaps there will be a return of ice hockey? It is sounding like games will resume soon; we can hope.

Sightings this week include the blooming dogwood trees that dot the hillsides, visible now ahead of the greening leaves. The warmer and wet weather has been good to get things blooming, although sadly, recent frosts have taken some of those blooms away. Magnolias had been putting on quite a show, but are now mostly frost-burnt. I am hoping the lilacs stay tight for another week, missing the predicted next round of frosty nights.

I sighted three goats on a hillside along my ride into White Haven one morning — not something I usually see, but something I had seen before. They'd gotten loose — again. A farm south of Weatherly has a nice crop of lambs and kids, secured behind good fences. We have seen fuzzy deer and molting deer as they shed their winter coats.

As for our extra time, we continue with our books, newspapers and magazines, and videos. I am finding more comedy and concerts online, though I'd really rather be out and about. We did get a walk in along the shoreline at Tuscarora Lake west of Tamaqua. It was a popular trip for us when we had our dogs, and while we enjoyed being out (socially distanced), we missed taking a dog along for a swim.

Everyone is healthy among our family and friends, something we are very grateful for. I hope all of you are staying safe and healthy as well.

## Live entertainment venues unite to help local/regional music scene

### NEPA Live from Home starts streaming Thursday

The ASM Global managed Mohegan Sun Arena and Karl Hall in Wilkes-Barre have announced a partnership to create an online platform entitled "NEPA LIVE FROM HOME" to feature local and regional artists performing live from their homes starting April 30.

"As managers and promoters of live entertainment venues, we know the struggle that the live entertainment industry is going through as we practice social distancing and try to keep ourselves, loved ones and community safe," said Will Beekman, general manager of Mohegan Sun Arena. "From global touring headliners to up-and-coming local artists, our venues take great pride in being the host sites for people to enjoy all sorts of live entertainment. Even though we can't get together in person right now, we wanted to create a virtual venue where local and regional artists can showcase their talents and help gather our community."

"We are excited to announce a partnership between our venues to create a free, online platform to keep entertainment alive and well in Northeast PA," said AJ Jump, Owner/Manager of Karl Hall LLC. "The 'NEPA LIVE FROM HOME' series will feature performances from talented individuals throughout our region and we will help bring these performances directly to your homes through our online resources."

The full lineup of performers for the first season of episodes will be announced this

Thursday, April 23, on each venue's social media pages. Featured artists that are scheduled to appear include Bret Alexander from The Badlees, Nick Coyle from Lifer / Cold and The Mule Team - Chris Kearney, JP Biondo and Roy Williams.

"We'd also like to take this opportunity to thank our friends at Geisinger for their support of this event, and of course we also thank the doctors, nurses, EMT's and all medical personnel who are on the frontlines battling to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our community," said Beekman.

"And thank you to all essential businesses and their employees for keeping our community running through these challenging times," said Jump. "You are the true rock stars!"

Performances will be posted each week beginning Thursday, April 30 at 7:30 p.m. on

the Facebook and Instagram pages for both Mohegan Sun Arena and Karl Hall.

"We look forward to providing our community with an opportunity to enjoy these performers," said Jump.

Tune in via the following social media pages:

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Both venues would like to publicly thank Zen Agency in Wyoming for their great work on the logo design for the "NEPA LIVE FROM HOME" event series. Mohegan Sun Arena has had an incredible partnership with the team at Zen Agency for years and applaud them for their work on other venue projects including the logo for the arena's "Healthcare Heroes Suite" initiative to begin in a few weeks plus the redesign of Mohegan Sun Arena's website to be launched in the next few days.

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# ESPN documentary 'The Last Dance' a must-watch

by Steve Stallone  
Sports Editor

## On the Sly

On Monday, a friend asked me if I'd watched the much-anticipated debut of ESPN's Michael Jordan documentary "The Last Dance" the night before. My response: "I lived it."

The 10-part documentary series, which will continue weekly through mid-May, takes an in-depth look at the Chicago Bulls' dynasty through the lens of the final championship season in 1997-98. The Bulls allowed an NBA Entertainment crew to follow the team around for that entire season, and some of that never-before-seen footage is featured in the documentary.

In addition, ESPN spoke to more than 100 people close to the team and personalities who experienced the run, exploring all angles of the Jordan phenomenon.

For me, watching the docu-series is like taking a step back in time, a time when the NBA had soared to new heights on the coat strings of Magic Johnson, Larry Bird and Jordan. As I moved from high school to college and then into adult life, I watched the three revolutionize the professional game, and resurrect it from the ashes.

Plagued by drug scandals, poor attendance and no television contract, the league was floundering in the 1970s. One-on-one clear-outs, the virtual elimination of the travel call, and the dreaded 3-to-make-2 free throw rules had the game looking anything like the basketball I had known and played all my life.

These three brought team

basketball back to the forefront. They made passing a thing or beauty, made playing in-your-face defense vogue, and elevated their teammates in ways not thought possible. And boy, could they score.

My admiration for Jordan and his game was cultivated during his college days at North Carolina. Even though his explosive abilities were somewhat limited by Dean Smith's system and partially overshadowed by a vast array of talented teammates, you could see Jordan was a can't-miss talent. As a freshman, his clutch shot game-winning shot that sank Georgetown and gave the Tar Heels the 1982 national championship was a sign of things to come.

Jordan's early seasons in the NBA were a non-stop highlight reel of amazing shots and high-flying dunks, with one common theme: No championships. Though he had won scoring titles and dunk contests, he hadn't even sniffed the NBA Finals until 1991, when after three failed tries Jordan and the Bulls finally got past Isaiah Thomas and the Detroit Pistons in Eastern Conference playoffs. When they took out Magic Johnson and the Los Angeles Lakers in six games for their first championship, it was a passing of the guard. This was now officially Jordan's league.

With a strong supporting cast around him, led by the likes of Scottie Pippen, Horace Grant, Dennis Rodman, John Paxson and Steve Kerr, Jordan and head coach

Phil Jackson steered the Bulls to six NBA championships in the 1990s, including a pair of "threepeats." In between, Jordan helped the 1992 Olympic basketball "Dream Team" to a gold medal, led the Bulls to a record 72 wins one season, and even left basketball altogether at one point, only to return for a second "threepeat" late in his career.

The story of one of the NBA's all-time scoring leaders, perhaps its greatest all-time player, and one of the league's best dynasties makes this documentary series well worth watching. With no live sports on TV during this time, it couldn't come at a better time for all of us.

So block off your Sunday evenings for a few weeks, sit back and enjoy a truly great era of basketball. The first two one-hour episodes aired on Sunday, and they will be re-aired this Sunday on ESPN starting at 7 p.m. After the second episode is re-aired at 8, the premiere of Episodes 3 and 4 will air at 9 and 10 p.m., respectively.

The rest of the schedule is as follows:

May 3 -- Premiere of Episodes 5 and 6; May 10 -- Premiere of Episodes 7 and 8; May 17 -- Premiere of Episodes 9 and 10.

**NFL DRAFT** -- The NFL Draft will be held virtual-style starting this Thursday evening with Round 1. The Cincinnati Bengals own the first pick, and are widely expected to take LSU quarterback Joe Burrow. After that, a number of defensive players could be the next to go in a draft top-heavy on that side of the football.

Ohio State defensive end Chase Young and cornerback Jeff Okudah are also expected to go early, as is Clemson

linebacker Isaiah Simmons and Auburn defensive tackle Derrick Brown.

Don't worry, there are talented quarterbacks in this draft as well. In addition to Burrow, Alabama's Tua Tagovailoa, Oregon's Justin Herbert and several other signal-callers are expected to hear their name called at some point this week. Tagovailoa is one of five Alabama players who is expected to be selected in the opening round.

Penn State's top picks will likely be defensive end Yetur Gross-Matos and super-fast wideout KJ Hamler.

While this is the 20th anniversary of the 2000 NFL Draft, it's unlikely that any team will pull off the surprise that Al Davis and the Oakland Raiders did in the opening round that day. The Raiders selected Florida State placekicker Sebastian Janikowski with the 17th pick that day, marking the only time a team has drafted a placekicker in the first round. And while Janikowski kicked for the Raiders for 17 seasons and is one of the all-time great long-kickers in NFL history, it is a pick that is still questioned to this day. The Raiders hadn't even had Janikowski in for a tryout, or even talked with the kicker until that day.

That was part of a crazy 2000 Draft, one in which a placekicker was selected in the first round and a future Hall of Fame quarterback (Tom Brady) wasn't taken until the sixth.

In case you're wondering, Georgia Southern placekicker Tyler Bass is regarded as the top at his position for this year's draft and is projected as a fifth-round pick, a normal spot for top kickers. Could Bass be the next Janikowski?

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53. Yours and mine
55. Little squirt
57. \*Mother's mom
61. \*She fought for Mother's Day, then against it
64. In advance
65. \*Bambi's mom
67. Fancy tie
69. Less than fernier
70. I have
71. "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous" host
72. Fairies
73. Galley equipment
74. Feed the fire

## DOWN

1. Kitchen meas.
2. Stay out of its way!
3. Pelvic parts
4. Tennis great Chris \_\_\_\_\_
5. Particular arrangement
6. Away from wind
7. \*Mother's favorite gift?
8. Ancient marketplace
9. Part of a scheme
10. No neatnik
11. Sushi restaurant soup
12. One-pot meal
15. Like the States
20. \*One of the Gilmore girls
22. Hill dweller
24. One-eyed giants

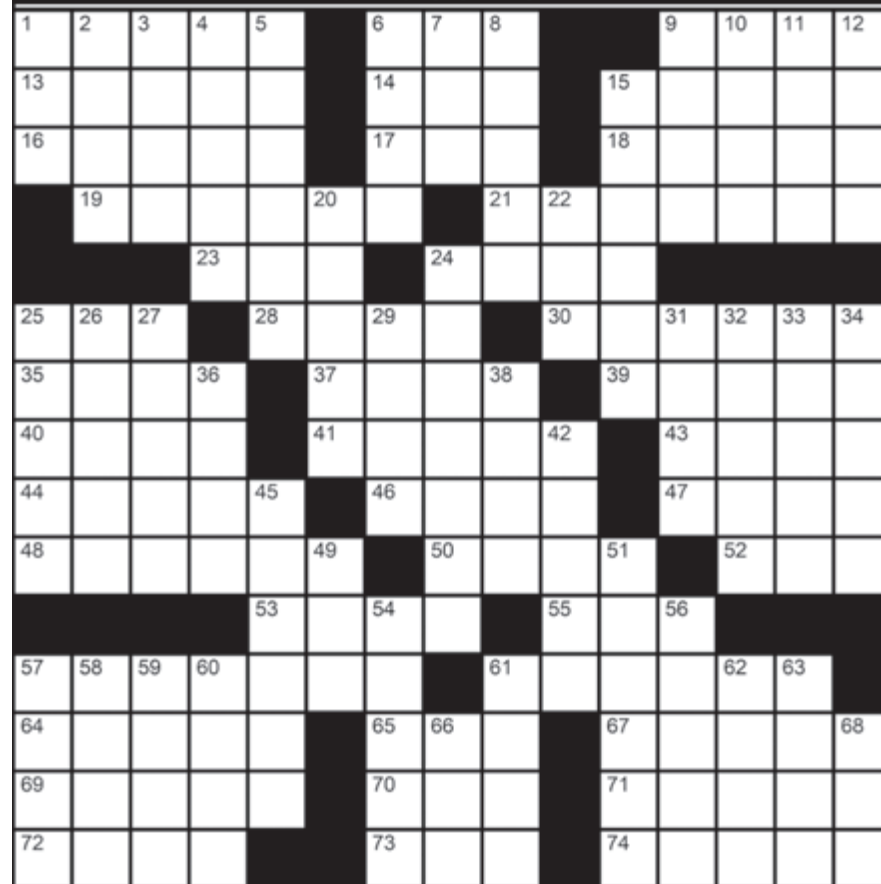
25. \*She played Forrest Gump's mother
26. May edition, e.g.
27. \*Worn atop the Queen Mother
29. Denials
31. Nike's "Just \_\_\_\_\_"
32. Private

33. "Take it back!"
34. \*Mother in Kraków
36. Lard cousin
38. October birthstone
42. Plural of sputum
45. Rundown
49. Bottom line
51. Kind of ungulate, pl.

54. Where you'll find AM
56. Living room centerpiece?
57. Gamecock's spur
58. \*Greek goddess of fertility
59. Bald eagle's nest
60. \*Mums' mums

61. Opposite of cheer
62. International Civil Aviation Org.
63. Puppet precursor, possibly
66. \*Female gametes
68. Café alternative

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# The NFL Draft starts today and here's how I think it will go

by Jason Fierman

It seems set in stone that the Bengals will take Heisman-winning quarterback, Joe Burrow, with the top overall pick. But make no mistake about this: some analysts aren't high on Burrow. Why? His stock value is based on one collegiate season — an outstanding season, but.... If the Bengals aren't completely dedicated to Burrow, then they can easily find a number of teams who'd love to take him and give Cincy a king's ransom in exchange. One team is the Dolphins, a team that has three 1st round picks this year. Another team in Washington, a franchise that holds the 2nd overall pick of the Draft.

In addition to Burrow, another player getting solid looks is Chase Young from Ohio State. A pass-rushing, run-stopping defensive lineman, he seems a replica of Nick Bosa, who went last year (2nd overall pick) to the 49ers. Bosa helped San Fran make a Super Bowl run.

Washington is very much in the same position as the Bengals and Miami as all three teams could really benefit from getting multiple high draft picks. But keep in mind that Washington is dealing with its own QB situation. New head coach Ron Rivera wasn't part of the brain trust that drafted Dwyane Haskins. Is it possible, then, that the team will take another QB at #2? I doubt it.

And I also doubt whether one player on defense — even one that's as good as Chase Young — will change an entire franchise. Generally, only a quarterback can turn around a franchise quickly. As incredibly as Nick Bosa played in the Super Bowl, the opposing quarterback — Patrick Mahomes — won that game.

And what about those teams that *don't* have the luxury of high picks in the first round? Take the Colts. Indy has the 34th and 44th pick, and Indianapolis may try to get into the first round to nab a wide receiver it covets. The Steelers are another team that will pick low, #49 to be specific. And without much to offer other teams, the Steelers will have to hope they can find a playmaker with that 2nd round selection.

Then there's the LA Rams. LAR will have to wait for the 52nd overall pick because of the Brandin Cooks' trade. But wow! Cooks isn't even with the team now, having gone to the Texans, which is Cooks' fourth team in seven years.

It's just another reason why I bemoan the Rams. LAR lost RB Todd Gurley II, while QB Jared Goff regressed last season. With the lack of offensive weapons, the Rams will need to find at least one pass-catcher to complement the up-and-down Robert Woods and injury-prone Cooper Kupp. Bottom line? It was stunning to watch the Rams migrate quickly from NFL royalty to court jester.

Now, for my final slate of first-round picks. As you'll see below, there are a decent number of trades in my Mock Draft. And while you're looking over my picks, listen to my NFL Mock Draft on Anchor FM (it's free) as two guests and I make our picks. Find it at <https://anchor.fm/jason-feirman/episodes/Route-4-Sports-Podcast-NFL-2020-Mock-Draft-eclmcp> You can also listen on other podcast platforms, including Apple.

1. Bengals — Joe Burrow QB (LSU)
2. Dolphins — Tua Tagovailoa QB (ALA) — trade via Redskins

3. Lions — Chase Young DE (OHIO ST)
4. Giants — Isaiah Simmons LB (CLEMSON)
5. Redskins — Jeffrey Okudah CB (OHIO ST) — trade via Dolphins
6. Chargers — Justin Herbert QB (OREGON)
7. Panthers — Derrick Brown DL (AUBURN)
8. Cardinals — Jedrick Wills Jr. OL (ALA)
9. Raiders — Henry Ruggs III WR (ALA) — trade via Jaguars
10. Browns — Tristan Wirfs OL (IOWA)
11. Jets — CeeDee Lamb WR (OKLA)
12. Jaguars — Jordan Love QB (UTAH ST) — trade via Raiders
13. 49ers — Jerry Jeudy WR

- (ALA) — trade via Colts (DeForest Buckner Deal)
14. Bucs — Mekhi Becton OL (LOU)
15. Eagles — Justin Jefferson WR (LSU) — trade via Broncos
16. Falcons — C.J. Henderson CB (FLA)
17. Cowboys — Xavier McKinley S (ALA)
18. Redskins — Javon Kinlaw DL (South Carolina) — trade via Dolphins
19. Jaguars — Yetur Gross-Matos DE (PENN ST)
20. Jaguars — Andrew Thomas OL (GA) — trade via Rams (Jalen Ramsey Deal)
21. Broncos — Kristian Fulton CB (LSU) — trade via Eagles
22. Vikings — A.J. Terrell CB (CLEMSON) — trade via Bills (Stephon Diggs Deal)

23. Patriots — Kenneth Murray LB (OKLA)
  24. Saints — Grant Delpit S (LSU)
  25. Vikings — Josh Jones OL (HOU)
  26. Dolphins — Brandon Aiyuk WR (ARZ ST)
  27. Seahawks — A.J. Epenesa DE (IOWA)
  28. Ravens — Tee Higgins WR (CLEMSON)
  29. Titans — K'Lavon Chaisson DE (LSU)
  30. Packers — Zack Baun LB (WISC)
  31. 49ers — Jeff Gladney CB (TCU)
  32. Chiefs — Trevon Diggs CB (ALA)
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# 1992-93 was the beginning of the end for the Houston Oilers

by **Matthew Paris**

Losing to the Buffalo Bills in the 1992 NFL Wild Card round was bad enough. How Buffalo won it – with the greatest comeback in NFL history, down 32-points to win – left an especially bitter taste in Houston's players and fans' mouths. So the Oilers needed to regroup in 1993. But the team played with a cloud over their heads. If it didn't win, Oilers' owner Bud Adams threatened to move the team.

The Oilers had every intention of winning and winning big. They had nine Pro Bowl

players, and a young Bill Belichick (the Browns' coach at the time) called the '93 Oilers the most talented team he had ever coached against. What's more, Sports Illustrated predicted a Super Bowl date with the hated Dallas Cowboys.

Well, things didn't turn out that way.

What went wrong?

At the start of the '93 season, Buddy Ryan took over as defensive coordinator. Ryan was known for his aggressive '46' defense based on smash-mouth football and blitzing the quarterback. The problem wasn't the scheme, it was

Ryan, who said he wouldn't answer to anyone, including head coach Jack Pardee. And Ryan didn't get along with OC Kevin Gilbride.

In pre-season practice, tempers flared, and the offense and defense tussled. Gilbride and Ryan weren't on the same page, and Ryan instructed his D to go after QB Warren Moon. The conflict continued off-the-field with Ryan trash-talking Gilbride and his offense.

After a rocky 1-4 start to the season, the Oilers went on a tear, winning 11 straight games. Then, conflict emerged again during a game against

the Jets. The Oilers had a two-touchdown lead when back-up QB Cody Carlson fumbled and the Jets recovered. That play upset coach Ryan, who began trashing the Oilers' O with Gilbride only a few feet away. Gilbride turned, gave Ryan a look, and then Ryan punched Gilbride. The scuffle was all over the press, of course, but Ryan kept right at it, predicting that Gilbride would be selling insurance by season's end.

That prediction didn't come to pass, but the Oilers' season would end sooner than later. Houston lost to Joe Montana

and the Chiefs in the divisional round of the playoffs. From there, things went downhill. Houston traded Moon to the Vikings and went 2-14 in 1994. The Oilers never made the playoffs again and – true to Adams' promise – the Oilers exited Houston after the 1996 season. The Houston Oilers (1970-1996) were history.

*Texas-based Matthew Paris is an author and screenwriter. His most recent book, *Two Hearts as One*, is available at Amazon.com. Matthew writes about sports at The Sports Column.*

## Crestwood using Choice One financial literacy program

Local students are getting a free education in how to manage their money. Choice One Community Credit Union is working with Banzai, a nation-

al award-winning financial literacy program, to make an online, remote-friendly curriculum available to 17 schools in Luzerne County completely

free. Crestwood and Hazleton Area School Districts are both participating.

"Banzai is a web-based financial literacy program. Kids get their own accounts, and they work through assignments that are based on real life," Morgan Vandagriff, co-founder of Banzai, said. "But because Choice One Community Credit Union is sponsoring it, local schools get it for free. More than ever, it's important that kids develop

sound financial skills to prepare them for the real world, and Choice One Community Credit Union realizes that and they're doing something about it."


Banzai is an interactive, online program supplemented by printed workbooks and aligns with Illinois state curriculum requirements for personal finance education. The course work can be completed on any internet enabled computer or mobile

device, and teachers are able to monitor student progress remotely. It has become the largest program of its kind, servicing more than 60,000 teachers nationwide.

Choice One Community Credit Union has offered time, money, industry experience, and a variety of credit union resources to help local schools teach personal finance in the classroom. Students using the program are exposed to real-life scenarios where they learn to pay bills and balance a budget – but it's not always easy. Students must learn to manage unexpected expenses such as parking tickets, interest charges and overdraft fees. The educational program also introduces students to auto loans, bank statements, entertainment costs, savings and more.

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# Kidder Supervisors extend emergency, commend police

by Seth Isenberg

Kidder Township's April supervisors meeting on April 16 was held online with all supervisors, staff, two citizens and this reporter present. The format made for a quick meeting.

Supervisors were unanimous in extending the township's declaration of emergency to the next meeting day, May 21. They approved bills totaling \$103,966, agreed to put the

township's surplus 2010 dump truck (with spreader and plow) onto Municibid, and approved having township engineer ARRO prepare specifications for paving work on Moseywood Road and Kresge Lane, and a pipe replacement and road reconstruction for Kirk Street so these can be approved to be bid for, to be done this paving season.

A special remembrance was offered by supervisor Thomas "Bing" LaFond and township

manager Suzanne Brooks of former township supervisor Frank "Sharkey" Pieri, who passed away in late March. LaFond told the meeting that "We lost a great human being in Sharkey. He will be missed." This was echoed by other members of the board, who also praised the fine tribute to Sharkey in the LAKE NEWS (of which Sharkey was a co-founder. LAKE NEWS is now owned by Ruth and Seth Isenberg).

Brooks mentioned that Pieri was on the Planning Commission, and there is now a vacancy. Interested citizens are asked to send a letter of interest to the township office or via e-mail to Brooks at kidder.manager@pa.metrocast.net.

She wrapped up her report by thanking "everyone for staying home."

Supervisor and roadmaster Bruce Berger confirmed leaf pickup is on hold. The old leaf vacuum fell apart – and the old truck it was mounted on is being sold. He asked manager Brooks to help him find a new one.

Solicitor Casey Gillespie reported that there are few actions that can be taken regarding concerns about short-term rentals converting into long term. She is monitoring guidance from the county and from the governor's office.

Supervisors' chairman Thomas Bradley called the members of the Kidder Police department "heroes" for the work they are doing. "We commend all of you." Police chief Matt Kuzma detailed a busy month (see Kidder Police story). Kuzma thanked everyone for the donations the police have been receiving. Supervisor Louis Pantages led the board in adding their thanks.

Berger added that in addition to the fine work the police are doing, that Lake Harmony Ambulance and the volunteers of the Albrightsville and Lake Harmony Fire Companies should also get recognition. He added that because the fire companies' regular bingos and breakfasts are not happening right now, there's no money coming in. Albrightsville has applied for two grants - one has been approved so far. Supervisor Barbara Franzosa offered help in applying for a \$10,000 emergency grant for both fire companies, noting that information about grants and help changes daily.

A letter was sent from the board of the Penn-Kidder Library Center asking for a \$5,000 donation toward 2020 expenses. A motion for this

was asked for, but not offered. Supervisors then were unanimous in approving a \$500 donation – the same as is given to the White Haven Area Community Library.

Manager Brooks was appointed liaison to Berkheimer Associates.

The meeting wrapped up with a citizen's question about whether the discount period to pay township taxes would be extended. Brooks answered that this would need a state legislature resolution, then a costly re-mailing to all taxpayers.

The May regular meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on May 16, again online. To be part of the meeting, contact the township office and they will provide the information on how to be connected to it.



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