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## KOK All Sports Day Scores A High 5!

By Kay Poeth



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Amanda Geer, DHMS gym teacher and volleyball coach, taught the children how to hit and spike the volleyball balloon. KOK students are eager for an exciting practice session.

Excitement filled the air as the students at Kids of the Kingdom (KOK) Day School geared up for a "sports-tastic" morning. They participated in six mini-sessions encompassing a variety of sports-related activities including gymnastics, dance, volleyball, soccer, wrestling, and field hockey. Instructors, coaches, and student athletes volunteered their time so the children could experience a range of different activities. The entire week at KOK focused on sports-themed lessons culminating with All Sports Day. It was High 5 experience for all.

"The kids always have such a fun time during All Sports Day," said KOK Director, Miss Ann Murphy.

New this year to the All Sports Day lineup was Burns' Tae Kwon Do in Selinsgrove. "I am very excited for this new addition," said Miss Ann. "I think that it was amazing that Master Morgan came to share his talent with our kids."

John Rowe from the BVRA Gymnastics Center and his helpers Deacon (9) and Piper (6) introduced the

children to a variety of gymnastic skills including strength, balance, jumping, and tumbling! The children exuberantly crawled through tunnels, walked across the balance beam, donkey kicked at the bar, kicked at stacks of blocks, and tumbled down the mats.

Christine Fairlie of Downtown Dance Studio in Lewisburg introduced the children to basic dance and creative movement. What could be more fun than fluttering scarves while galloping and marching to music? The children moved and grooved to the music. "I love working with preschoolers and introducing them to dance," said Fairlie.

Volleyball is always an engaging sports activity featured during All Sports Day. Amanda Geer, PE teacher at Donald Eichhorn Middle School and a volleyball club coach at the Miller Center, used balloons to teach the youngsters how to do a set, a bump pass, and spike. Balloons soared as the future volleyball stars practiced hitting the balloons over the net.

"I love the game and we are trying to go grow interest in the sport of volleyball," added Geer.

Bucknell University athletes were eager to participate in Sports Day! PJ Steiner, Bucknell University Women's Asst. Soccer Coach at Bucknell and several BU women soccer players worked on basic soccer skills such as dribbling, foot skills, and shooting goals. In no time, the children and athletes were busy dribbling soccer balls and scoring goals!

The Bucknell Wrestling team introduced the children to basic wrestling skills in an engaging way. They practiced basic moves in wrestling and let the kids roll around having fun. One BU athlete added, "We want to give back to the community and give the kids an insight into the sport of wrestling."

"As always, the Bucknell wrestlers do an outstanding job! The BU girls' soccer team is always a hit! The wrestling team and the girls' soccer team are always the first to commit to this awesome event. They have been participating since the first All Sports Day. Their willingness to interact with our students is very much appreciated," added Miss Ann.

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All Sports Day concluded with a group photo of the KOK students, coaches, student athletes, and volunteers.

"This is just a phenomenal day. We were thrilled to be able to continue this amazingly fun hands-on learning experience for our students!" said Miss Ann. "The kids were so excited to interact with the student athletes and coaches from our community including from Bucknell University, Mifflinburg High School, BVRA, Downtown Dance Studio, Burns' Tae Kwon Do, and Amanda Geer from DEMS!"

## Union County's America250PA's Kick-Off Celebration

By Kay Poeth



Drew Popish representing Gov. Josh Shapiro, Senator Gene Yaw, Kathy Swope - America250 Union County Chairperson, Cassandra Coleman, Executive Director of America250PA, Union County Commissioners Preston Boop, Jeff Reber, and Stacy Richards were part of the Union County America250 Kick Off festivities.

America250PA kicked off the Semiquincentennial year with a two-week tour of all 67 counties celebrating at courthouses and historic sites across Pennsylvania. As the birthplace of American democracy, Pennsylvania will stand at the heart of our nation's 250th anniversary, a once-in-a-generation moment to reflect on where we've been and imagine where we're headed.

On January 21, 2026, the Union County Celebration was held at the Union County Courthouse. Elected officials were joined by employees and area residents to mark the Kick off of America 250 in Pennsylvania. The atmosphere was filled with excitement.

Cassandra Coleman, the Executive Director of America250PA, noted the rich historical journey of Union County. "Union County has long been a crucible of civic engagement, political debate, and industrial innovation in Pennsylvania. During the Whiskey Rebellion of the 1790s, residents actively resisted federal excise taxes, raising Liberty poles and challenging policies they viewed as a threat to the democratic principles won in the Revolution. Leaders such as Ludwig Derr, Colonel John Kelly, and Eli Slifer further shaped the county's early civic and political life, contributing to regional development, military service, and state governance."

Continuing Coleman added, "Mifflinburg emerged as Pennsylvania's 'Buggy Town,' producing hundreds of sleighs, carriages, and later automobile bodies, reflecting the county's skilled craftsmanship and adaptability in a changing industrial landscape. Together, these political, civic, and industrial achievements illustrate Union County's enduring influence on Pennsylvania's history and economy."

Union County Commissioner Jeff Reber was thrilled for this monumental time in America's history. "We have inherited a glorious legacy, but as Theodore Roosevelt reminded us, a nation is only as strong as the citizens who are willing to do their part to keep it. Today is about ensuring we are worthy of that heritage." He concluded his speech by saying, "Let's make this year a tribute to the 'special love for liberty.' Let's celebrate our history, our people and our future."

Senator Gene Yaw acknowledged the nickname for Pennsylvania, the Keystone State, and how it is the central stone in an arch that holds the rest in place. Pennsylvania being situated in the middle of the 13 Colonies was a hub for trade, communication and movement during the American Revolutionary War.

Coleman also pointed out the partnership between America250PA and Union County with Keystone Classroom Initiative visits to Mifflinburg Intermediate School and Mifflinburg Elementary School. A Liberty Tree was planted at the Dale-Engle-Walker Historical Site and beautiful Bells Across PA installation unveiled right at the Courthouse. In addition, two Semiquincentennial Grants were awarded. \$10,000 to the RiverStage Community Theatre in support of their presentation of the musical "1776" and \$20,000 to Union County Veterans' 4th of July Committee, Inc. for their annual Fourth of July Celebration.

Coleman said, "Together, these efforts connect Union County's past to the people shaping its future, reflecting the creativity, resilience, and civic pride that define this community. Today's kickoff recognizes Union County as both a steward of its history and an active participant in America's 250th anniversary."

Coleman then presented the Union County Commissioners with their official America250PA Snyder County flag. Photos followed with state and local officials, the Pennsylvania State Police, Courthouse employees and area residents.

"I truly look forward to all of the events our Union County America250 Advisory Committee is working on," said Reber.

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# Deeds & Courts

**Deeds:**  
 Amanda R. Gaynor & Eric Dietz, Lewisburg to Karen Lazorcik, Lewisburg property in Kelly Township for the sum of 355,000.00.  
 Julie Vandivere, Lewisburg & Elise A. Nicol, Lewisburg to Vandivere Living Trust property in Lewisburg Borough for the sum of 1.00.  
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 James R. Elmore, Winfield to James R. & Susan G. Elmore, Winfield property in East Buffalo Township for the sum of 100.  
 Stephen A. & Maryellen Stank Engle, Sunbury to Eagle Nest Ventures LLC, Lewisburg property in Hartley Township for the sum of 290,000.00.  
 Thomas H. Miller Jr to Lisa Beth Prins, Lewisburg property in East Buffalo Township for the sum of 275,000.00.  
 Service 1st Federal Credit union, Danville to Mark H. & Rhoda H. Wenger, Mifflinburg property in West Buffalo Township for the sum of 50,000.00.  
 Joyce J. Walter, Winfield to Steven & Sue Mincemoyer Gray, Winfield property in Union Township for the sum of 1,500,000.00.  
 Matthew E. Bean Jr. Dalmatia Pa. & Charles R. Russell, Williamsport to Matthew E. Bean Jr, Dalmatia property in West Milton for the sum of 1.00.  
 Conner Construction Inc. Lewisburg to Brandon & Jennifer Dudeck, Danville property in East Buffalo Township for the sum of 95,000.00.  
**Marriages:**  
 Matthew Jaron King, Castile NY to Katherine Sue Stoltzfus, Lewisburg  
 Craig Phillip Mellott to Gabriela Diego Gomez, Lewisburg  
 Clyde Jeremy Greene, Watson Town to Desiree Elyse Morgan, Watsontown  
 Alec Daniel Felix, Lewisburg to Kelly Ann Butler, Lewisburg  
**Divorces:** None  
**DISTRICT JUDGE JEFFREY L. MENSCH, MIFFLINBURG**  
**Charged** Robert W. Coleman III, 54, of Mifflinburg, with corruption of minors (sexual offense), indecent assault less than 13 years of age, and indecent assault-without consent of other on January 20. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for February 24, at 3 p.m.  
**DISTRICT JUDGE JEFFREY ROWE, LEWISBURG**  
**Charged** Timothy Ray Whitmoyer Jr., 22, of Montgomery, with use/possession with drug paraphernalia, careless driving, and duties at stop sign on January 23.  
**Charged** Christopher Jo Treshock, 20, of Elysburg, with terroristic threats, disorderly conduct-fighting/threatening violent behavior, and public drunkenness on January 23.  
**Charged** Jason Daniel Hackenberg, 24, with theft by unlawful taking-moveable property and criminal mischief-damage property on January 8.  
**Charged** Jared Lee Nicholes, 32, of Lewisburg, with strangulation, terroristic threats, simple assault, harassment/physical strike/kick on January 17.  
**Charged** Richard Gilbert Guffey III, 35, of Lewisburg, with criminal trespass-defiant trespass/actual communication to and disorderly conduct-hazardous/physical offensive conduct on January 20.  
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# Community Calendar

**Winter Cash Bingo**  
 January 30, 6:30pm, MAC YMCA, 67 Elm St., Beaver Springs  
**Second Annual Blizzard of a Yard Sale**  
 January 30, 31, 7am-3pm, Christ Community Church, 3939 Park Rd., Selinsgrove  
**Contra Dance**  
 February 14, 7-10pm, Heiter Center, 100 N. 5th St., Lewisburg  
**CONTINUOUS EVENTS**  
**MJHS Class '64 Luncheon**  
 Third Thursday every month, Hotel Middleburger  
**SAHS Class '65**  
 2nd Tuesday every month, 12:15pm, Perkins  
**Dinner by the River**  
 1st and 3rd Thursday each month, 6pm, 18 Market St., Lewisburg  
**NOTICE TO READERS:**  
 To place events in the calendar please send them at least three weeks before the event so that we can publish it at least twice before the event. **The deadline for events is Monday by Noon.** The calendar goes by space available. Send, fax or e-mail us your event. Address: P.O. Box 356, Middleburg, PA 17842. Fax: 570-837-0776. E-mail: scuc@ptd.net. All phone numbers must include area code.

# Church News

**Soup and Potpie Sale**  
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# Police

**MILTON STATE POLICE**  
**Hit & Run** 5:58 a.m. January 13, on SR 304 near its intersection with Dice Road, in Limestone Township. An unknown vehicle attempted to pass a 2018 Ford Escape driven by Kalandra L. Addleman, 23, of Winfield, in the eastbound lane of SR 304. Addleman observed this and moved the vehicle closer to the center line causing the unknown vehicle to side swipe the Ford Escape. The unknown vehicle fell back behind the Ford Escape following very closely. Addleman was intimidated by this so she did not pull over immediately. Addleman turned around on SR 304 near its intersection with Maple Street and began traveling east on SR 304. The unknown vehicle followed Addleman east to Dollar General parking lot in New Berlin, where both vehicles stopped. The driver of the unknown vehicle exited his vehicle and struck Addleman before fleeing the scene.  
**Simple Trespass** 11:47 a.m. October 17, 2025, on Zimmerman Lane, in Hartley Township. On October 17, 2025, at approximately 11:58 a.m. PSP was dispatched to a trespassing complaint. The victim has No Trespassing signs and cameras setup on the property. The actor was advised not to come back onto the subject property. The victim declined prosecution at the time of this investigation.  
**Theft from Motor Vehicle** 9:23 a.m. January 6, at 1165 Stover Road, in Lewis Township. On January 6, at approximately 9:24 a.m. PSP was dispatched to a theft. The victim related that he had approximately \$650 taken from two vehicles on the property on January 4. The victim had a ring doorbell camera that was not properly functioning at the time of the incident. Anyone with any further information is asked to contact police at 570-524-2662 and reference incident PA26-28604.  
**Crash** 4:32 p.m. January 17, on SR 104, north of Wildwood Drive, in Limestone Township. Prior to impact a 2008 Mitsubishi Raider driven by Gale P. Knouse, 75, of Mifflinburg, and witness 2 were traveling north on SR 104. A 2021 Honda HRV driven by Dolores G. Natale, 82, of Mifflinburg, a 2016 Ford Explorer driven by Laura D. Magill, 33, of Middleburg, and witness 1 were traveling south on SR 104. It is believed that Knouse suffered a medical episode while operating his Mitsubishi Raider. The Mitsubishi Raider traveled into the opposing lane of travel side swiping the Honda HRV and the Ford Explorer. The Mitsubishi Raider exited the west side of the roadway and struck a ditch coming to final rest. Knouse was wearing his seat belt and was transported by ambulance to Wellspan Evangelical Community Hospital for further treatment. Natale, the driver of the Honda HRV, sustained minor injury and was transported to Wellspan Evangelical Community Hospital for treatment. Magill, the driver of the Ford Explorer was not transported. Knouse was cited for driving on right side of roadway.  
**Burglary Commercial No Force** 10:05 p.m. December 30, at 4650 Westbranch Highway, in East Buffalo Township. An investigation was conducted by PSP regarding a burglary at the D.O.W. Office Building Suites. Unknown individuals access Suites #100 and #110. An investigation is ongoing.  
**Retail Theft** 2:57 p.m. December 7, at Walmart, at 120 AJK Blvd., in Kelly Township. Christopher Torres, 25, of Williamsport, entered Walmart and stole \$146.87 of items from the automotive department. Torres was charged with summary retail theft. Citation was filed through District Court 17-3-01.  
**Hit & Run** 10:44 a.m. January 13, on SR 15 in the parking lot of Allenwood Cafe, in Gregg Township. A 2025 Kia was parked unoccupied facing east in the parking lot of the Allenwood Cafe. A Ford Explorer was parked in front of the Kia, facing east. As the Ford Explorer back up, the rear of the Ford Explorer struck the Kia. After initial impact, the driver of the Ford Explorer got out and looked at the front of the Kia then got back into the vehicle and left the scene.  
**Crash** 6:23 p.m. January 19, on Westbranch Highway in the vicinity of Loan Road, in Kelly Township. A 2016 Audi Q3 driven by Gary E. Wenrick, 61, of Mifflinburg, was stopped at a properly functioning traffic signal facing south in the right lane. A 2008 Hyundai Elantra driven by Gawhara R. Abou-Eid, 24, of Lewisburg, was slowing too come to a stop directly behind the Audi Q3. A 2014 Hyundai Elantra driven by Jayden L. Mather, 19, of Milton, was traveling south on West branch Highway in the right lane and failed to slow down and stop for the stationary traffic at the red traffic signal, subsequently rear-ending Abou-Eid's Hyundai Elantra Adou-Eid's Hyundai Elantra was pushed into the right turn lane on Westbranch Highway onto Loan Road. After striking the rear of Adou-Eid's Hyundai Elantra, Mather's Hyundai Elantra continued traveling south, subsequently striking the Audi Q3. The Audi Q3 was pushed into the right turn lane onto Loan Road. Mather's Hyundai Elantra continued to travel southwest, where it came to rest in the vicinity of the intersection of Westbranch Highway and Loan Road. Mather and his passenger sustained minor injuries and were transported via EMS to Wellspan Evangelical Community Hospital. Mather was cited for driving at safe speed.  
**Retail Theft** 9:05 a.m. January 17, Westbranch Highway, in Kelly Township. PSP investigated a retail theft incident that occurred at Weis Markets. Pending investigation.  
**Crash** 1:06 a.m. January 20, on Orchard Road, near Swengle Road, in Lewis Township. A 2011 Nissan Rogue driven by a 26 year old male, of Mifflinburg, was traveling south on Orchard Road. The Nissan Rogue traveled off the

roadway via the west shoulder and struck a tree with its driver side bumper. The Nissan Rogue came to rest against the tree and sustained disabling damage to the front bumper. The driver displayed indicators of being under the influence of alcohol on scene and was taken into custody for DUI. The driver was transported to Wellspan Evangelical Community Hospital for evaluation due to suspected minor injuries sustained from the crash.  
**Crash** 10:45 a.m. January 21, on Buffalo Road (SR 192) at its intersection with N. 16th Street, in Lewisburg. A 2017 Hyundai Sonata was stopped at the intersection of Airport Road and Buffalo Road. A 2008 Dodge 3500 was traveling west on Buffalo Road. The Hyundai Sonata proceeded through the stop sign without proper clearance. The Dodge 3500 struck the Hyundai Sonata. No injuries were reported.  
**Theft/Crime by Deception** 9 a.m. December 15, on Industrial Blvd., in East Buffalo Township. PSP investigated a scam.  
**Crash** 5:19 a.m. January 18, on Penns Creek Road, in Limestone Township. A 2004 Ford Ranger driven by James R. Hetrick, 19, of Mifflinburg, was traveling east on Penns Creek Road. The roadway was covered in a slippery layer of snow. The Ford Ranger was negotiating a right curve in the roadway when it began to slide. The Ford Ranger slid off the north side of the roadway impacting a ditch. The Ford Ranger went up over the ditch and struck a mailbox. No injuries were reported. Hetrick was issued a warning for driving at safe speed.

**Jersey Shore Livestock Market LLC & Flea Market**  
 The following items were sold on **January 22nd, 2026:**  
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**Bluegrass Music Returns to the Weis Center with East Nash Grass**  
 The Weis Center for the Performing Arts will welcome IBMA-award winning bluegrass music ensemble East Nash Grass on Thursday, February 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the Weis Center.  
 The performance is sponsored, in part, by the Columbia-Montour Visitors Bureau and the News Item.  
 East Nash Grass exemplifies the best of what bluegrass has to offer — as being named the 2024 IBMA [International Bluegrass Music Association] New Artist of the Year would suggest.  
 But their breathtaking talent as singers, instrumentalists, and composers is just the beginning. While other acts chase their tail in search of nostalgia, the secret to East Nash Grass lies in their unflinching ability to be themselves.  
 It certainly helps that they are a veritable supergroup of award-winners who have been performing longer than anyone would guess that they've been alive. With a lifetime of experience in both new and legacy acts (Dan Tyminski, Tim O'Brien, Sierra Hull, Rhonda Vincent, etc.), the tradition of bluegrass is fundamental to who they are as musicians and performers.  
 Yet it's their irreverent, adventurous, and audacious tendencies as next-gen performers that light a fire under audiences. Their ability to hone this edge was forged in the crucible of a dive bar outside of Nashville, TN that they all but single-handedly put on the (bluegrass) map during their seven-year weekly residency.  
 After hundreds of sets (and countless late-night jams), through personnel changes, industry changes, and a never-ending string of unprecedented world events, East Nash Grass has coalesced into the hair-raising ensemble of Harry Clark [mandolin], Cory Walker [banjo], James Kee [guitar], and IBMA 2025 Fiddle Player of the Year Maddie Denton [fiddle]. Their love of both bluegrass and the absurd can be felt in both their live shows and on their new album "All God's Children" (Mountain Fever, 2025).  
 Much like watching a bowling ball and feather fall together, expectations of what should and shouldn't work are challenged as the paradox of authenticity is revealed. Shock leads to excitement as risks keep listeners on the edge of their seats and irrefutable mastery drives home that this is no mere imitation of bluegrass: this IS bluegrass.

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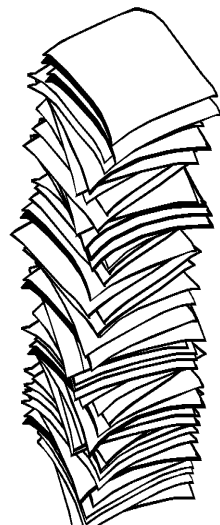
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# Obituaries

## Linda L. Fisher, 74, of Lewisburg



Linda died January 21, 2026 at home.

Linda was born on October 5, 1951 in Batavia, NY to the late Ferdinand and Velma (Willard) Konfederath. In September of 1991 she married Richard Fisher, who survives. Together they celebrated 34 years of marriage.

She grew up on a dairy farm in Darien Center, NY. Linda moved to Lewisburg when her husband stole her heart. She enjoyed visiting her New York family as often as she could but had acquired a wide circle of loving family and friends in Pennsylvania.

Earlier in life, Linda worked as a waitress for restaurants in New York. She worked as baby-sitter for many years and sold baked goods at the Lewisburg Auction every Wednesday.

She attended the Lighthouse Worship Center, Winfield.

Linda was a kind soul with a big heart, who loved spending time with family and friends. She will be greatly missed.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are two daughters, Anissa Shay DeCapria and Tracy Murphy; siblings, Richard Konfederath and his wife, Renee, Mary Ball and Sandy Moran and her husband, Jay; sister-in-law, Debra Konfederath; five grandchildren, Timothy, Hunter, Krista, Aadyne and Olivia; foster sons, Matt and Jeff Page and Caleb Listman; long time friend, Diane Price; in-laws, George Fisher, Jr., Elaine Mabus and Grant Fisher and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, James Konfederath.

The family would like to thank all of Linda's caregivers for their wonderful care over the years.

Services will be held privately at the convenience of the family.

The family is being assisted by Cronrath-Grenoble Funeral Home, South Second and St. Louis Streets, Lewisburg.

Expressions of sympathy may be shared at [www.cronrath-grenoblefuneralhome.com](http://www.cronrath-grenoblefuneralhome.com).

## Jeanne M. Lococo, 82, Mifflinburg

Jeanne entered into rest on Wednesday, January 21, 2026, at home surrounded by family.

Born on August 21, 1943, in New York City, she was the daughter of the late Alfred and Anne (Kelly) Conti.

Private graveside services will be held in Mifflinburg Cemetery. A celebration of Jeanne's life will be held in New York in the spring.

## Helen Hess, 98, Lewisburg

Helen died Saturday, January 17, 2026 at her home.

Helen was born January 27, 1927, in Clearfield to the late Rev. George E. and Lucinda M. (McFarland) Kelly. On May 21, 1949, she married Roy J. Hess, who predeceased her October 5, 2012.

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# SPORTS NEWS

## THE VIEW FROM HEAR

BY RON BOLT

Did I mention one or two months ago that the gap was going to close between Penn State wrestling and Iowa, Ohio State and Oklahoma State? Like the LA Dodgers, the rich get richer and the elite continue to raise the bar. Penn State handed Iowa their worst loss ever at Carver Hawkeye arena last week 32-3. It's time for a re-branding of Iowa wrestling.

The scary part for all the other schools is how young this team is as Levi Haines is the only wrestler that will exhaust his eligibility after this season. They have so much talent in Ono and Kasak that they will not wrestle in a match this year.

Aside from seeing Penn State wrestle OK State and the upcoming Ohio St dual, I would really enjoy a head to head dual between Mifflinburg and Montgomery. Mifflinburg Wildcat wrestling is getting in fine form for the Southern sectionals in three weeks.

The Miff matmen won all six of their matches at the PA HAC Div-3 team duals by an average score of 58-14. They beat Bloom, Loyalsock, Warrior Run, Southern Columbia and Lewisburg. They beat Hughesville 65-6 and didn't need Ralph Moyer to save them against the Spartans. Lewisburg went 1-5 at the same HAC duals.

Earlier in the week #13 Miff in the 2A state rankings dominated #12 in the state Montoursville 43-20. The Cats led 34-0 after the first seven matches.

Grove wrestling (5-2) has been thriving lately as well with a 43-28 win over (8-8) Lewisburg. The Seals had bonus point wins in seven of their eight wins. Selinsgrove blasted Jersey Shore 51-19 with six first period pins.

Middle-West (5-11) fell to Benton (6-7) 42-19. Middle-West and Benton each won four of the matches contested but three forfeits from the Mustangs were the difference in losing the dual.

The Grove girls wrestling team went 1-5 in the Lady Seals Duals they hosted. The Mifflinburg girls went 3-1 and beat the hosts 42-30.

Have you ever read the children's book The Dragon Diamond? The Lewisburg girls basketball team should take a look. They had a tough week in playing schools from coal country and ended the week losing to Shamokin, Lourdes Regional and Central Columbia.

In the book, the main character Freddy goes searching for treasure and finds coal. The crux of the story is appearances can be deceiving and it is my belief that these losses are going to help the Green Dragons in the near future.

Lewisburg (5-9) fell 40-22 to Shik to start the week. Shik's Lily Fatool became her school's all-time points leader. Fatool's current coach Amanda Yagel held the record previously.

Middle-West lost 32-28 to Danville guard Cece Coombe alone ... and 58-28 to Danville as a team. Izzy Walter and Emma Wagner had eight points each for the Mustangs.

Mifflinburg (7-6) lost 61-33 to undefeated Central Columbia. The Lady Cats bounced back in a big way with a 53-31 win over Montoursville. Avery Reibsone led all scorers with 22 and Brooke Gessner's 14 and Pariece

Shuck's 11 points rounded out a well played team effort. One step forward and another back as the Lady Cats fell short to Bloomsburg 39-25.

Selinsgrove went to a woman to woman defense after giving up 17 points in the first quarter. The Seals held Central Mountain to just one more point than they surrendered in the opening quarter in a 41-35 win. Madi Merrell had 17 and Maddy Benner 14 points.

Benner has given Grove new life since coming back and scored the game winner in a 37-35 win over Danville. Benner tallied 11 points and Merrell 13. Grove (5-12) started this week off losing to Mount Carmel 44-27 with Merrell scoring 20.

Like the girls, the Selinsgrove boys team (10-4) is playing better basketball. They scored 81 in blasting Central Mountain by 26 points. Xavier Jackson led a quadrant of double-digit scorers with 22. Noah Walter had 14, Mac DeFazio 12 and the area's best sixth man Jack Piccuch had 11 points. They followed this win up with a 47-38 win over Shamokin ending the Indians five game win streak. Jackson had 13 and DeFazio a timely seven.

Lewisburg (10-4) handily beat Danville 70-47 with Nazir Meredith leading the way with 18 points. Rebir Jemama added 13 and Leon Tucker had 10. The Dragons followed up with a 61-43 W over Central Columbia to stay undefeated in HAC-2 play. Meredith and Jemama each had 13 points. Tucker had 12 and Jaylen Walker 11 off the bench.

Middle-West lost 72-49 to Shamokin with Zani Cooley scoring 16. Streaky Mifflinburg (8-7) won three games last week starting with a 50-22 win over Bloom. Chad Martin had 17 and Cheeky Griffith 12. They then kept Milton winless with a 55-31 victory and kept the momentum going with a decisive 70-38 win over Hughesville.

In the pool, the Miff boys split a tri-meet with Jersey Shore and Central Columbia. Elliott Deluca (100 back, 500 free) and Malachi Moyer (50 free, 100 butterfly) were three time winners for the swimming Cats. They both teamed up with Chance Moyer and Grady Gemberling to win the 200 medley relay. Natalie Gemberling won the 100 backstroke for the Lady Cats.

My predictions for last weekend's NFL playoff games and CFB title game were pretty spot-on. Rams winning late, Seattle winning big and CJ Stroud will have turnovers. Stroud has been chasing his first year's success for two years now. In the exciting CFP title game Miami makes mistakes and Indiana doesn't.

The game I missed was picking the Buffalo Bills to beat the Denver Broncos. Is Josh Allen this generation's Dan Marino? I realize the call could have gone either way on the Bronco interception in OT. I think it was a catch and would have led to a Buffalo win.

The fact the referees didn't take more time to replay and review this very important call is my issue. Earlier this year I saw the refs take more than five minutes to review the videos on where to spot the ball on a second down, during a regular season game! This quasi-interception was not officially reviewed and cost Allen a chance to play in his first Super Bowl. It also got nine year head coach Sean McDermott fired.

McDermott even called a time-out after the fact in hopes they would take a look at the play. Keep in mind, all overtime reviews are initiated by the refs and not the red challenge flag coaches throw during regulation. I am not implying there was any cheating or favoritism going on with this call. I'm asking the review to surpass the importance of the play and get the call right no matter how long it takes.

It has yet to be said publicly but these kinds of calls that affect the outcome of games and to a greater degree, athletes shaving points and being paid to not play their best are going to have legal and financial consequences for every sport.

Gambling on sports or anything has become way too easy. I am not against gambling, I remember calling my bookie on a pay phone and he relayed my wager to some guy in western Snyder County.

Broadcast companies and the sports leagues like how easy it is for all of us to gamble. They saw this as manna from the heavens. The ease of placing a bet brings in more fans, advertising, ticket sales and interest. Online gambling sites are making money hand over fist and most are offshore sportsbooks making it difficult to regulate. More people gambling because it's so easy results in more money for them.

More wagers equates to more people losing money and the scrutiny of what is happening on the field or court is heightened. The day is coming when someone loses \$10k on a game because their team lost because of a bad ref or umpires call.

The FBI recently indicted 39 college basketball players on 17 different teams for shaving stats. The losers of wagers are going to start filing lawsuits against the school, professional team or league for reparations.

The various leagues and their television partners underestimated the reputational risk by embracing sports betting in the cozy manner they have. If fans think that results of games are being altered or there's even a chance they could be, that's a problem. When there's a \$231k handle on a Northwestern State/Texas A@M Corpus Christi basketball game, something is a bit fishy.

If too many people believe games are being rigged, fans will forever be skeptical of a game's results and interest in sports entertainment will crater accordingly. The first thing every sport can do is eliminate prop bets and live wagering. I realize this will lower the profits of leagues, sportsbooks and broadcasting companies. It will also curb gambling addiction and restore integrity to all sports.

Indiana winning the national title is absolutely the best turnaround in sports ever. Worst to first amidst over 130 schools. The Indiana Hoosiers are a shining beacon of hope for every other school. They can all say "Why not us" with the new rules in college football.

Unlike a lot of you, I'm a huge fan of their coach, Curt Cignetti. He has an eye for talent, knows how to build a culture and prefers production over potential. Cig is a film freak and has a laser focus while the game is being played. He has two loyal coordinators that have been with him since his coaching days at IUP. His on field practices are six hours a week when you are allowed twenty. The Hoosiers are here to stay.

Now that we have established the best team in college football, we have to get the calendar fixed and find a playoff system that doesn't get tweaked every two or three years. I mentioned my blueprint for the calendar dates last week with regards to the NIL, portal, signing day and schedule. Did you know that next year's CFP title game is scheduled for 1/25/2027? They are going the wrong way.

League commissioners and Notre Dame will decide on this Friday whether to go to a 16 team format, keep it at 12 or go to a crazy 24 team playoff. The Big Ten wants 16 teams for the next three years and to expand to 24 in 2029.

Expanding to 24 teams is a terrible idea because college football is based on the regular season. You would be devaluing the regular season and the Top 25 poll system for what? More money... the answer to every question.

Going to 24 teams would be like putting a roller-coaster in the middle of Yosemite National park and destroying the beauty that is the regular season in college football.

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# Union County Veterans' 4th of July Celebration Fundraisers

By Kay Poeth



The Union County Veterans' 4th of July Committee is hosting two fundraisers to kick off the 250 Birthday of our Nation and the time-honored weekend of events on June 26-27. The America250PA grant committee donated \$20,000 toward the annual event. This year may be the biggest celebration to date! The Union County Veterans' 4th of July Celebration is a non-profit organization that celebrates veterans and community organizations throughout the Susquehanna Valley.

The fundraisers include a 250 Years Young Live Benefit Concert with Blue River Soul featuring Karen Meeks on Thursday, February 12 beginning at 6 pm at the Open Discourse Center, located at 239 Market Street in Lewisburg. The other fundraiser is Red, White & Bingo & Basket Raffle on Sunday, March 15 beginning at 1 pm at the Lewisburg American Legion, located at 127 Buffalo Road. Tickets can be purchases on their website at: [ucveterans4thofjuly.org](http://ucveterans4thofjuly.org).

250 Years Young Fundraiser with Blue River Soul featuring Karen Meeks will be held on Thursday, February 12 beginning at 6 pm at the Open Discourse Center, located at 239 Market Street in Lewisburg. Only 50 tickets are being sold. Must be 21 years old to attend and purchase tickets. Enjoy the chance to win fun door prizes. Tickets can be purchases on their website at: [ucveterans4thofjuly.org](http://ucveterans4thofjuly.org).

Get into the spirit of 1776 as the Union County Veterans 4th of July committee begins building to the 250th birthday of our Nation. Sit back and enjoy the music or dance to fan favorite, Blue River Soul. The band will perform music from the 1920s through today. Blue River Soul with Karen Meeks performed the Union County Veterans pre-fireworks concert last year. Tickets can be purchases on their website at: [ucveterans4thofjuly.org](http://ucveterans4thofjuly.org).

Red, White & Bingo & Basket Raffle Fundraiser will be held on Sunday, March 15 beginning at 1 pm at the Lewisburg American Legion, located at 127 Buffalo Road. Tickets are \$40 in advance; \$50 at the door. There are only 100 are available for purchase.

Red, White & Bingo is a fun, community fundraiser in support of the Annual 4th of July Fireworks Celebration. Enjoy multiple rounds of bingo, exciting raffle baskets, and great door prizes throughout the night. This event is all about coming together, having fun, and helping support one of our community's most anticipated summer traditions.

According to Terry Burke, there are already some great prizes included Navy football tickers, Bucknell basketball season tickets, Pocono Raceway tickets. Anyone interested in donating prizes, contact the committee.

Whether you're playing to win or just in it for the fun, Red, White & Bingo is a great way to support the fireworks and celebrate together. Tickets can be purchases on their website at: [ucveterans4thofjuly.org](http://ucveterans4thofjuly.org).

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# Herr Memorial Library Receives Grant From PPL Foundation for New Early Learning Computer and STEM Programs



Herr Memorial Library in Mifflinburg has received a \$5,000 grant from the PPL Foundation to support early learning and expand STEM opportunities for children and families throughout Union County. These funds will be used to purchase a new AWE children's computer and to enhance existing STEM programming for children and teens.

The AWE computer expands access to interactive, age-appropriate learning tools that support early literacy, math, science, and problem-solving through educational games and guided play. Alongside enhanced STEM programming, these resources build upon the library's foundation of hands-on learning opportunities and encourage children and caregivers to explore and learn together.

"This support from the PPL Foundation allows us to strengthen our commitment to early learning and curiosity-driven education for preschool children, as well as provide skills and career exploration opportunities for older children and teens," said Sandy Hornberger, Director of the Herr Memorial Library. "By enhancing interactive technology and STEM programs, we're creating more opportunities for children to learn and grow in a welcoming environment."

For more than 80 years, Herr Memorial Library has served as a vibrant hub for families in Mifflinburg, fostering literacy and a lifelong love of learning. The new resources made possible by this grant will further enhance the library's role as a place where learning is fun, accessible, and inspiring for the entire community. The Herr Memorial Library is a member of the Union County Library System.

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# Ephrat Asherie Brings Thoughtful Street and Club Dance Styles to the Weis Center Stage

The Weis Center for the Performing Arts will welcome Ephrat Asherie Dance with Arturo O'Farrill on Thursday, February 12 at 7:30 p.m. at the Weis Center. They will present a new work called Shadow Cities. The performance is 60-minutes, without an intermission. There will be a pre-performance talk with Ephrat Asherie and Arturo O'Farrill from 6:45-7:15 p.m. in the Weis Center Atrium.

Ephrat Asherie collaborates with Grammy Award-winning jazz musician and composer Arturo O'Farrill in the company's newest creation, Shadow Cities. Bringing together Ephrat Asherie Dance's exhilarating choreography that remixes and reconnects various street and club dance styles and an original composition featuring O'Farrill's trademark Latin jazz sound, Shadow Cities explores what it means to be and to feel the in-between.

With a cast of seven dancers and four musicians, the performers explore the myriad ways they feel split between cities, memories and generations, encountering their most enlivened selves in unexpected moments.

Tickets can be reserved by calling 570-577-1000 or online at [Bucknell.edu/BoxOffice](http://Bucknell.edu/BoxOffice).

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For more information about this event, contact Lisa Leighton, marketing and outreach director, at 570-577-3727 or by e-mail at [lisa.leighton@bucknell.edu](mailto:lisa.leighton@bucknell.edu)

# DIG Furniture Bank Receives \$4,600 to Purchase New Beds for Lewisburg Families in Need from FCFP

Lewisburg, PA — DIG Furniture Bank (DIG) is proud to announce it has received \$4,600 in funding from the Lindig Lewisburg Foundation Fund, a fund of FCFP, to support its project, "Ensuring a Good Night's Sleep for Lewisburg Residents." This funding will be used to purchase new beds for Lewisburg families experiencing furniture insecurity.

A safe, comfortable place to sleep is essential for physical health, emotional well-being, and overall stability. Through this project, DIG will provide brand-new beds to individuals and families who are transitioning out of crisis situations such as housing instability, financial hardship, or displacement. By ensuring access to new, quality beds, DIG is helping families rest, recover, and move forward with dignity.

"Sleep is not a luxury - it's a basic human need and a foundation for a healthy, productive community," commented Emily Gorski, Founder & Executive Director of DIG. "When people have a safe, comfortable place to sleep, they're better able to show up for work, school, and their families. This funding ensures Lewisburg families can rest with dignity and start each day on more stable footing."

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# Author Andrew Akers to Launch Array of Projects in 2026

By Kay Poeth



2026 is shaping up to be an exciting year for Lewisburg author, Andrew Akers, as he has several projects underway. From a Teen/Young Adult novella, a thrilling Sci-Fi novel, a short story collection, Ranger's Almanac, a Video Game Demo, and being a presenter at a Writers' Conference... this year will be an exciting one for him!

First in the list to be released is Bimble the Bear: The Case of the Missing Shoe. It was originally self-published in 2017. After extensive rewriting and revision to reflect Akers newly honed skills, the novella will be published on February 10, 2026, by Cosmorama under the original title Bimble the Bear: The Case of the Missing Shoe. According to a synopsis of the book, "After a friend's croc goes missing, our hero travels into the unknown to retrieve it. As his journey progresses, he discovers that the world around him is unraveling. Are some mysteries better off unsolved?"

The seemingly faux pau children's book is geared to older teens/young adults due to its mature themes (depression, grief, and self-harm), writing style incorporates a pseudonym and footnotes and conversations between the character and alter ego using a shared Google Document. It also includes a choose-your-own-adventure format. Matt Lamourt is the illustrator of both the original and newly revised version.

"I am thrilled that Bimble the Bear is being published!" says Akers enthusiastically.

The gripping sci-fi novel, "Tapestry", will be released on April 18, 2026. The book was created as Akers played Dungeons and Dragons with friends to develop dialogue, plot lines, and events to bring an authentic tone to "Tapestry."

According to Akers, Tapestry is a space opera set in an alternate history of the 1970s. What would have happened if Apollo didn't cut the mission to the moon? As astronauts search for water they learn, "We are not alone in our solar system" and discover that extraterrestrial life has been there all along. The novel evolves over 7 sections at different locations, each beginning with a "Space Shanty" performed by a real musician and embedded as a QR code. The sound track contains a variety of musical styles from artists Sinia, Soul, Psuke, The Interbang Experiment, and Youtuber Frank Watkinson.

According to the synopsis of Tapestry: "The Heavens will arrive inside of the Tapestry." Those were the words of the New Catholic Church (NCC) as they conquered the solar system in the Millenium Crusade. Thirty years after their downfall, a cyborg, two 'pagans', and an insomniac mercenary discover the lie - and the truth - behind the proselytization. Beneath the colored sky of the Tapestry, a celestial event in deep space, this unlikely crew discovers truths about themselves, their peoples, and the war they in-

advertently started. Maybe the Heavens really are arriving. Or maybe Hell has been here all along."

Andrew Akers' debut novel, Tapestry, is being published by Baynam Books on April 18, 2026. It will be available in audiobook, ebook, paperback, and hardcover anywhere books are sold.

"The Ranger's Almanac: Tales from the Trails" will be annual literary journal of stories, artwork, poetry, photography and music from rangers, conservationists and nature-enthusiasts across the country. Currently, Akers has partnered with 7 agencies across the country to give the public a glimpse into what park rangers see and experience in their day. "The submissions and support have been tremendous," notes Akers. Some of Akers' work will be included in the journal.

The Ranger's Almanac will be professionally formatted and placed in parks across the country by Memorial Day. It will also be available online. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the parks and a portion will fund the next publication of The Ranger's Almanac.

"The Gatebreaker Protocol" is a text-based video game that Akers has been collaborating on with Tye Sheets, Derek Day for most of 2025. It is "an interactive novel/choose-your-own-adventure game that combines D&D-style mechanics, Final Fantasy combat, and Solo Leveling-inspired with my personal writing style," explains Akers. It'll also feature music and artwork from real life human artists. The Kickstarter and demo are out next month.

Adding credibility to talent as a sci-fi and fantasy author, Akers is a prolific sci-fi/fantasy writer with over 25 published short stories. His work has appeared in Book XI, The Daily Tomorrow, Metastellar, and many others. He is an active SFWA (Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers Association) member. SFWA is a non-profit professional organization for writers and other professionals in science fiction, fantasy, and related genres, founded to support, promote, and advocate for speculative fiction authors.

At the end of 2026, Akers is releasing his collection of sci-fi, fantasy, and horror stories called Cosmic Cul-de-sacs. "This will include (most of) my published stories to-date, plus several never-before-seen ones!"

Akers has been selected to be a faculty member for the WCoNA- The Writers Conference of Northern Appalachia in March. "Last year's conference was a career highlight for me. There were tons of incredible speakers, and I met so many people who were just as passionate about writing as I was. If you're into that kind of thing, or are even curious about how to get started, I highly recommend checking it out."

His presentation, "Stretching the Medium", will discuss ways that writers and other creative types can adapt to the rise of artificial intelligence. In the conference submission, Akers wrote, "Over the past year, I have sold a novel with a soundtrack embedded as QR codes, sold a faux children's novella with House-of-Leaves styled annotations, comments, and illustrations, and developed a demo for an interactive novel/video game. All of these projects have been collaborations with other humans, stretching what a novel/novella/app can be. The goal of this presentation is to embrace what makes us human and encourage writers to experiment and collaborate with other branches of creativity. Like it or not, AI is coming for all of us; artists need to stand together."

Akers has a busy and fulfilling life. By day his work as a forest ranger with the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) inspires him. He is a dedicated family man who devotes time and attention to his young sons. Then after their bedtime, he grabs his laptop and

settles down for several hours of writing. When he isn't working, writing, or collaborating with others, Akers runs marathons, and plays Dungeons & Dragons.

What's next for Andrew Akers? Well, he has submitted his next novel, "A Tune to Chaos" to various agents. Check out Andrew Akers on Website: [www.andrew-akers.com](http://www.andrew-akers.com), Facebook: [facebook.com/andrewakersauthor](https://www.facebook.com/andrewakersauthor), Almanac website: <https://www.andrew-akers.com/rangersalmanac> and WCoNA website: <https://wcona.com/>

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Keith Shively and his sister June were both born in Hartleton. They later moved to Mifflinburg and graduated from the Mifflinburg High School. June worked at the Hartleton Village and Clair was a member of a B-17 flight crew during World War II. He later worked for Greyhound Bus Lines. June and Clair were married and lived in Tinicum Township, Pennsylvania until Clair's. After his retirement they made their home in Mifflinburg for the remainder of

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