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Barn Quilt Fundraiser

By Kay Poeth



Tracey Manning, Courtney Shuman and Deb Shuman with their completed barn quilt paintings. Register now for the sessions at 6 pm on Tuesdays April 8, 15, 22 and 29 to create your own unique barn quilt artwork. (Photo by Robin Oberdorf)



Hestia Brown is shown here painting her quilt piece at a Montour County event. (Photo by Robin Oberdorf)

Join the Union County 4-H and Union County West End Fair to craft a unique piece of art! The Barn Quilt Fundraiser is a fun painting party. Based on the traditional barn quilts, participants chose a design, transfer it onto a 2'x2' square of wood. Then, paint and complete the project over 3-4 sessions. The final artwork can be displayed on garages, houses, sheds, and patio fences.

For a \$50 donation per person, participants can gather at the Union

County West End Fairgrounds Commercial Building at 6 pm on Tuesday, April 8, 15, 22 and 29 to create their own unique barn quilt artwork. Everything needed to complete the project is included in the \$50 donation.

According to Barbara Franck, "The barn quilt

fundraiser is a collaboration with the Union County West End Fair where we will split the revenue that is generated. Funds raised for 4-H will help to offset the cost of programs for youth such as the State Leadership Conference, 4-H residential camp, and summer programming.

Thanks to support from Mifflinburg Lumber, Cole's Hardware, and the 4-H Forever Endowment for the opportunity to offer this unique fundraiser.

Contact Barbara Franck at 570-556-4754, to register for the Barn Quilt Painting Fundraiser. Bring your friends and make the painting party a fun night out.

Mifflinburg Intermediate School's Students of the Month



Congratulations to the March 2026 Students of the Month from the Mifflinburg Area Intermediate School!

3rd - Andrew Stoffelen - Andrew is the son of Ryan and Mandee Stoffelen of Mifflinburg. Andrew's teacher is Mr. Valentine, and his favorite subjects are math and gym. Andrew also participates in enrichment at school. Outside of school, Andrew likes to play baseball and hockey, and his favorite hobbies are fishing, playing video games, and camping. Andrew's favorite places to visit are Canada and the Dominican Republic. Andrew also has a dog named Cooper. In the future, he hopes to become an engineer, a Major League Baseball player, or a National Hockey League player.

4th - Savannah Mook - Savannah is the daughter of Lisa and Landon Mook of Mifflinburg. Her teacher is Mrs. Bollinger, and her favorite subject is reading. Savannah is a part of the school's Art Club, and outside of school, she likes to play soccer and Upward basketball. In her free time, Savannah enjoys painting and making crafts. Her favorite place to visit is Great Wolf Lodge, and in the future, Savannah hopes to become an art teacher.

5th - Corrie Hackenberg - Corrie is the daughter of Christine and Matthew Hackenberg of Winfield. Her teacher is Mrs. Fontana, and Corrie's favorite subject is music. She plays the clarinet in the school's band and sings in the chorus. Corrie is also in the school's Art Club and participates in Hoping Hands and enrichment. Outside of school, Corrie enjoys playing the piano and participating in Girls on the Run and Chorus fest. Some of her hobbies include singing and drawing, and her favorite place to visit is Canada. Corrie hopes to become a teacher in the future.

Congratulations to each of you and keep up the good work!

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Deeds & Courts

Community Calendar



Deeds:
 Wayne E. & Karen S. Tyson, Mifflinburg & Tina M. Shirk, Mifflinburg & Paula J. & Steven L. Vankirk, Northumberland & Sherrie L. & Franklin E. Danowsky Jr. Lewisburg & Melissa A. & Edward F. Smith, Mifflinburg & Donald L. Tyson, Mifflinburg & Ronald L. & Debra J. Tyson, Mifflinburg to Ronald L. & Debra J. Tyson, Mifflinburg property in West Buffalo Township for the sum of 325,000.00.
 Ronald L. & Debra J. Tyson, Mifflinburg to Steven J. & Jamie L. Miller, Mifflinburg property in West Buffalo Township for the sum of 1.00.
 Timothy L. & Michele L. Weeder, Mifflinburg to Jessy L. Weeder, Mifflinburg property in West Buffalo Township for the sum of 1.00.
 Joseph S. Shamburg, Mifflinburg to Joseph S. Shamburg, Mifflinburg & Richard J. Shamburg, Watsonstown & Michael T. Shamburg, Allenwood property in Mifflinburg Borough for the sum of 1.00.
 Carolyn F. Baker, Lewisburg to Timothy J. & Jamey L. Baker, Lewisburg property in Kelly Township for the sum of 200,000.00.
 Gary H. Hoffman, Mifflinburg to Hoffman Living Trust property in West Buffalo Township for the sum of 1.00.
 Kathy A. Guffey, New Columbia to Guffey living Trust property in White Deer Township for the sum of 1.00.
 Dora D. & Ralph J. McIlvaine, Lewisburg to Dora D. McIlvaine, Lewisburg property in Linnville, Buffalo Township for the sum of 1.00.
 Donald L. & Ellen M. Kahler, Millmont & Gary A. & Angela M. Kahler, Millmont & Paul A. & Patricia M. Kahler, Millmont to K-2 Farms LLC., Millmont property in Lewis Township for the sum of 1.00.
 Conner Construction Inc, Lewisburg to Tara L. Humphrey, Lewisburg property in East Buffalo Township for the sum of 95,000.00.
 Jessica L. Zeller, Lewisburg to Peter A. Ellis, Lewisburg property in Lewisburg Borough for the sum of 45,000.00.
 Kristen E. Schultz, Pasadena, MD & David Peter Kepple, Manchester, MD to Kristen E. Schultz, Pasadena, MD & David Peter & Mary R. Kepple, Manchester, MD property in Hartley Township for the sum of 1.00.
 C. Russell Hess, Selingsgrove to Hess Family Properties LLC, Middleburg property in Mifflinburg Borough for the sum of 1.00.
 Joseph E. & Annette A. Snyder, Millmont to Joseph D. Snyder, Millmont property in Hartley Township for the sum of 1.00.

Marriages:
 Charles Allen Priest, Northumberland to Debra Jo Roush, Northumberland
 Ricky Lynn Murphy, Sunbury to Janell Reiff Newswanger, Mifflinburg
 Carson Horning Weaver, Mifflinburg to Brenda Burkholder Hoover, Mifflinburg
 Arlyn Ray Martin, Middleburg to Rachel Horning Weaver, Mifflinburg
 Reagan Elizabeth Griffith, Mifflinburg to Logan Michael Mensch, Pittsburg Pa

Divorce: None
DISTRICT JUDGE JEFFREY L. MENSCH, MIFFLINBURG

Charged Hanif Rykeish Townes, 25, of Allentown, with one count of simple assault, two counts of disorderly conduct engage in fighting, and harassment-subject other to physical contact on March 25. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for April 7, at 9:30 a.m.

Charged Rick Alan Waugaman, 38, of Dallas, with burglary-not adapted for overnight accommodations-no person present, criminal trespass-enter structure, theft by unlawful taking-movable property, receiving stolen property, and criminal mischief-damage property on March 25. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for April 28, at 10:30 a.m.
DISTRICT JUDGE JEFFREY ROWE, LEWISBURG

Charged Gina Lynn Caraballo, 19, of Lewisburg, with terroristic threats, simple assault, and harassment/physical strike kick on March 29.

Charged Timothy James White, 42, of Williamsport, with theft of leased property on March 26.

Charged Patricia J. Ranck, 59, of Muncy, with retail theft-take merchandise (misdemeanor 2) on March 26.

Charged Brenan Stant Roser, 55, of Milton, with retail theft-take merchandise, driving while operating privilege is suspended or revoked on March 25.

Union-Snyder Agency on Aging, Inc Office and Senior Centers
 April 3, Closed
Mr. Sticky Fundraiser
 Pre order only by April 17, order through Union County 4-H member or call 570-556-4754
2026 Men's Resurrection Breakfast
 April 4, 8:30-10:30am, Watson Inn, 100 Main St., Watsonstown, guest speaker is meteorologist, Jo Lundberg
AFSCME Retiree's Chapter 86-02
 April 6, 1pm, Selingsgrove VFW Bingo Room
AYCE Ham and Dandelion Dinner
 April 11, 4pm-?, Bannerville Fire Company, 7547 Stage Rd., McClure
Free Community Art Show
 April 11, 12-8pm, Regional Engagement Center, 429 Eighth St., Selingsgrove
Lewisburg Contra Dance
 April 11, 7-10pm, Heiter Center, 100 N. 5th St.
Open PA Primaries to Registered Independents
 April 11, 1-2:30pm, Public Library for Union County, 255 Reitz Blvd., Lewisburg
Centre Ballroom
 April 12, 2-5pm, Lambert Hall, Bellefonte
Susquehanna Valley Spinners and Weavers Guild
 April 12, 2pm, Central Chamber of Commerce, Milton
Pride & Prejudice Afternoon Tea
 April 16, 2-6pm, Helix Hall, 6 N. 4th St., Mifflinburg
Mifflinburg Class of '59
 April 16, luncheon 11:30am, lunch 12pm, Country Creamery, Kratzerville
Free Workshop for Those Joining Medicare
 April 17, 10am-12pm, Public Library for Union County, 255 Reitz Blvd., Lewisburg
Garden Party at Dark
 April 17 6:30-10pm, AEREA Milton
Mifflin County Christian Academy Open Enrollment for 2026-2027
 Contact school office 717-543-2200
Public Library for Union County New and Expecting Parent Group
 April 4, 10-11:30am
LEGO Day- Child Program
 April 4, 10am-4pm
English as a Second Language
 April 6, 13, 20, 27 12:30-2pm
Conversational Italian
 April 9, 16, 23, 30, 1-2pm
Chess Club
 April 9, 16, 23, 30, 5-7pm
Conversational Spanish
 April 9, 16, 23, 30, 6-7pm
ABC, Play with Me! Parent and Child Five-Week Workshop-Child Program
 April 9, 16, 23, 30, 10-11:15am
Grief Support Group
 April 9, 6-7pm
Herr Memorial Library Special Stiches
 April 8, 15, 22, 29, 10-11am
Understanding AI
 April 8, 4-5pm
Preschool Discover Storytime-Child Program
 April 9, 16, 23, 30, 10:30-11:30am
Teen and Tween Movie Night
 April 13, 3:30-5:30pm
Writers Group
 April 15, 5-6pm
West End Library West End Readers
 April 9, 1-2pm
Mah Jongg
 April 10, 17, 24, 1-3pm
Basic Cricchet Class
 April 11, 10am-12pm
April Craft of the Month- Child Program
 During library hours
Tales and Tinkering for Tots: Preschool Storytime-Child Program
 April 16, 23, 30, 4:30-5:30pm
CONTINUOUS EVENTS
MJHS Class '64 Luncheon
 Third Thursday every month, Hotel Middleburger
SAHS Class '65
 2nd Tuesday every month, 12:15pm, Perkins
Middleburg Joint High School Class of '74
 3rd Tuesday every month, 9am, County Line Restaurant
Dinner by the River
 1st and 3rd Thursday each month, 6pm, 18 Market St., Lewisburg
Free After School Program
 Mondays and Tuesdays, 2:45-4:30pm, grades 6-12, Mifflinburg United Methodist Church, 570-966-2746
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.

Easter Egg Hunt
 March 28, 10am, Hummels Church, 427 Sassafras Rd., Middleburg
Easter Egg Hunt
 March 28, 11am, Trinity United Methodist Church, 51 S. Main St., Middleburg
Adult Egg Hunt
 March 28, 4pm, Arrowhead Bar and Restaurant, Milton
Easter Egg Hunt
 March 28, 4pm, Ebenezer Bible Church, 3066 Neitz Valley Rd., Selingsgrove
Community Easter Egg Hunt
 March 28, 1pm, Christ's United Lutheran Church, for children up to 12 years old
Middlecreek Area Community YMCA Egg Hunt
 March 28, 12pm, ages 0-12, 67 Elm St., Beaver Springs
Community Easter Egg Hunt
 March 29, 3pm registration, 3:30pm egg hunt, St. Mary's Park- West Field, 15th St., Lewisburg
Community Egg Hunt and Chicken BBQ
 March 29, 12pm, Christ Church of Beaver Springs
Annual Easter Egg Hunt Sponsored by Richfield Women's Club
 April 3, 2pm, Basom Park, Richfield
Annual Easter Egg Hunt
 April 3, 1pm, Mid-West School students and guests, preschool-6th grade, West Snyder Rotary Club, West Snyder Elementary School, Beaver Springs
Easter Egg Hunt
 April 4, 2pm, rain or shine, children 12 and under, Aline United Methodist Church, Mt. Pleasant Mills, Aline Schoolhouse
Kreamer and Middlecreek Township Easter Egg Hunt
 April 4, 2pm, Middlecreek Township Recreation Grounds, Kreamer, children aged 12 and under, special needs group - all ages
Easter Egg Hunt
 April 4, 11am, Trinity Church of Winfield, Picnic Pavilion, 24 State Rt. 304, Winfield
Easter Truth Hunt
 April 5, 10am, Millmont Church, 14495 Old Turnpike Rd., Millmont

Police

MILTON STATE POLICE
Crash 5:56 a.m. March 19, on SR 304, in Union Township. A 2020 Ford Escape driven by Chelsey R. Wenrick, 33, of Selingsgrove, was traveling west on SR 304. Wenrick observed a vehicle in the eastbound lane traveling at an apparent low rate of speed. As Wenrick approached the oncoming vehicle, a deer entered the roadway from the south side of SR 304. The Ford Escape struck the deer. After impact, the Ford Escape traveled approximately 100 yards before coming to rest on the north berm of SR 304, facing west. Wenrick related minor pain to her lower legs due to the driver side air bag being deployed. An EMS evaluation was refused by Wenrick.

Hit & Run 4:26 p.m. March 10, on JPM Road, in Kelly Township. A 2004 Jeep Cherokee driven by Kenneth Charles, 75, of Milton, was attempting to leave after his vision appointment at 137 JPM Road, while a 2019 Subaru Forest was parked. The Jeep Cherokee struck the Subaru Forester. The Subaru Forester was unoccupied at the time. No injuries were reported. Both vehicles were driven from the scene. The Jeep Cherokee came to rest facing east on the right side of the lot. The Subaru Forester came to rest facing south in the stall.

Crash 3:12 p.m. March 16, on Furnace Road at its intersection with Groves Road, in Buffalo Township. A 2016 Ram 2500 driven by Ralph R. Boyd, 64, of Selingsgrove, was traveling north on Groves Road. A 2014 Chevrolet Cruze driven by a 17 year old female, of Mifflinburg, was traveling east on Furnace Road. Boyd failed to stop at the intersection and subsequently struck the Chevrolet Cruze. Following initial impact, the Chevrolet Cruze then rotated approximately 180 degrees in a counterclockwise direction and then struck a Windstream/Kinetic utility pole. The Chevrolet Cruze came to rest on the northeast corner of the intersection, facing south. The Ram 2500 came to rest in the corn field on the northeast corner of the intersection, facing southwest. Both drivers were transported to Geisinger Medical Center with suspected minor injuries. Boyd was issued a warning for vehicle approaching or entering intersection-fail to yield right of way. The driver of the Chevrolet Cruze was cited for driving at safe speed.

Theft/Crime by Deception 1:08 p.m. March 21, on Four Bells Church Road, in Lewis Township. PSP responded to a reported theft by deception incident involving multiple means of payment valued at \$74,194.59 stolen. This case is currently under investigation.

Retail Theft 5:17 p.m. March 18, at Walmart, at 120 AJK Blvd., in Kelly Township. On March 18 PSP was dispatched to a report of a retail theft. Upon arrival on scene Walmart Asset Protection apprehended Patricia Rank, 59, of Muncy, concealing \$341.98 worth of items from the store under her jacket and purse. Rank was charged with a violation of PA Crimes Code 3929 A1 Retail Theft-Misdemeanor 2.

Crash 5:38 a.m. March 17, on Old Turnpike Road (SR 45), in Hartley Township. A 2024 Freightliner driven by John H. Wetzel Jr., 26, of Cresson, was traveling east on Old Turnpike Road negotiating a left curve. While negotiating the left curve the Freightliner began to slide in a southeast direction exiting the south shoulder of the roadway, striking the embankment with the front right tire. The Freightliner then traveled in a northeast direction overturning onto its right side sliding a short distance until it came to rest on its right side in the right lane of Old Turnpike Road, facing east. Wetzel was issued a warning for driving at safe speed. No injuries were reported.

DUI 1:59 a.m. March 14, at 1500 Block of Weikert Road, in Hartley Township. Mason Shaffer, 32, of Selingsgrove, the driver of a 2021 Ford F-150XLT, was taken into custody for DUI.

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Church News

Good Friday Service
 April 3, 7pm, Millmont Church, 14495 Old Turnpike Rd., Millmont
Fisherman's Breakfast
 April 4, 6-10:30am, Trinity Lutheran Church of Cowan, 2599 Church Rd., Mifflinburg
Free Community Meal
 April 4, 11am-12:30pm, First Lutheran Church, 404 Market St., Mifflinburg
Service of Music
 April 6, 7pm, Hobe Sound Bible College Choir, Millmont Church, 14495 Old Turnpike Rd., Millmont
Free Community Meal
 April 11, 3:30-7pm, Trinity Church of Winfield, Trinity Church 24 PA-304, Winfield

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Fiber Glass TK CAP 82.5Lx68.5W REP, \$250, 95 Chev Du-ally ext. Cab 454 eng., needs trans, 4x2, have one to go with new tires, new battery, is inspected, \$2,800, Craftman Snow Blower 9115-elect start lights, \$350, 2004 Ford F150 4x2 4.6 eng. auto, 117,000mi. needs box repaired, works great, \$2,800, is currently inspected, 2007 GMC Rollback, C5500 21' bed Duramax eng. Allison Auto Trans, 96,000mi- 26,000 GVW, \$21,500, 570-768-7585

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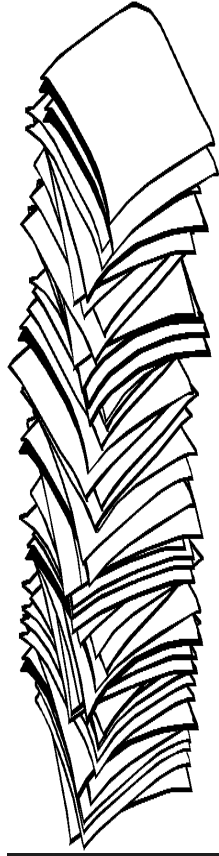
Miller (of Philadelphia) player piano w/numerous music rolls, needs some work done, free if moved by professional mover, 717-694-3219

YARD SALE

April 3, 4, 9am-2pm, yard sale, 14495 Old Turnpike Rd., Mifflinburg

April 11, 8am-3pm, multi family yard sale, McFlys Diner

April 18, 8am-2pm, garage sale, rain or shine, only sports cards and related items, 38 Chestnut St., Shamokin Dam



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Obituaries

William E. "Bill" Doyle, 90, Winfield



Bill entered into eternal rest on Sunday, March 29, 2026, at Wellspan Evangelical Community Hospital, Lewisburg, with his family by his side.

Born on June 28, 1935, in Lewisburg, Bill was a son to the late Frank and Bertha Doyle. On March 31, 1956, he married the former Shirley Beaver, who survives. Bill and Shirley would have celebrated their 70th anniversary.

Bill retired as a meat inspector with the USDA after 41 years of dedicated service. He began his working life as a farmer, a role that reflected his deep connection to the land and strong work ethic. Later, he sold his farm and went on to find and operate Winfield Supply, where he continued to build a successful career. Also, Bill was instrumental in forming the Winfield Fire Company.

Bill was known for his signature cowboy boots and hats, a reflection of his down-to-earth spirit and personal style. He had a deep love for his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who brought him immense joy and pride. Bill never met a stranger—he loved people and was naturally sociable, always ready to strike up a conversation. Many mornings, you could find him at Dunkin' Donuts, enjoying a cup of coffee and good conversation with his buddies. With his quick wit and warm personality, he was a jokester and a charmer, leaving those around him smiling and laughing. Bill was a true character.

In addition to his loving wife, Bill is survived by a daughter, Marie Ermert (James); a son, William A. Doyle (Amy); grandchildren Nicole Boone, JJ Ermert, Summer Burkett, and Morgan Doyle; and great grandchildren Shay Boone, Richard Burkett, Adrianna Burkett, Giavonna Pena, Giovanni Pena, Guiliano Pena, Bently, and Willow Ermert.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, and a sister. Funeral services were held on Thursday, April 2, 2026, at Christ Community United Methodist Church, 3939 Park Road, Selingsgrove at 11:00 AM with Rev. Eric Shafer officiating. A viewing was from 10-11 am prior to the funeral service.

Interment will follow in Shreiners Cemetery, Selingsgrove.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in honor of Bill can be of donor's choice.

Arrangements are by V.L. Seebold Funeral Home, 601 North High Street, Selingsgrove.

Esther S. Beiler, 59, Mifflinburg,

Esther entered into rest on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, at WellSpan Evangelical Community Hospital, Lewisburg.

Born on April 8, 1966, in Lancaster, PA, she was the daughter of the late Jacob and Hannah (Stoltzfus) Beiler. Services were held March 27, at Shady Grove Christian Fellowship Church, 5327 Buffalo Road, Mifflinburg.

Doris E. Sheesley, 82, Millmont

Doris entered into rest at 2:27 p.m., Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at home.

She was born November 8, 1943 in Mount Pleasant Mills, a daughter of the late Dennis and Bessie (Gates) Botts. On June 18, 1960 in Lewisburg, she married Oren "Butch" C. Sheesley, who preceded her in death April 17, 2024.

Funeral services are private.

Marian Edna Jarrett, 95, Lewisburg

Marian died March 29, 2026 at Buffalo Valley Lutheran Village, Lewisburg.

Born January 24, 1931 in Penn Twp., Snyder County, she was a daughter of the late Foster and Hazel (Herman) Klingler. On March 29, 1952 she married Richard L. Jarrett, who preceded her in death June 3, 2021.

Friends will be received from 10 to 11 a.m. on Friday, April 10 at Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, 100 S. Third St. Lewisburg, where a Memorial service will be held at 11 with her pastor, the Rev. Katy Moran, officiating.

Burial will follow in Lewisburg Cemetery.

Jean Marie Ruhl, 84, Lewisburg

Jean died on Saturday, March 21, 2026, at WellSpan Evangelical Community Hospital after a brief illness.

Jean was born on November 17, 1941, in Williamsport to the late George and Ethel (Dieffenderfer) Ruhl.

Burial will be held privately in Mazeppa Union Cemetery.

A Memorial Service for Jean will be held at a future date at Old Buffalo Presbyterian Church, Buffalo Cross Roads, Lewisburg.

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The Last Weekend in March Only Sunday Was the Day of Racing

Comparing the 2025 early season races in March to this year things are quite different, with close to ten races schedule at different tracks this year, with the 2025 season races and nine races getting run, while this year five were run. In both years Lincoln speedway managed to get one race in the month of February, both races 410-sprint car events. In 2025 Port Royal did the best with four races run, two for the Short Track Super Series Modifieds, two 410-sprint cars and two for the super late models. Lincoln speedway got two shows run two for the 410-sprints and one each for the 358-sprints and wingless sportsman. BAPS got three shows in one for the 410 sprints and two for the limited late models. Lincoln, Port Royal and Baps all run on Saturday night, Williams Grove did not get a show in, having three races scheduled and all three getting weathered out. This year Lincoln got two 410 sprint car shows in with one race for the 358-sprints, Williams Grove got one race in their season opener on a Sunday March 22nd with Lance Dewease scoring the 410-sprint car feature win over Dylan Norris, with 28 cars signed in, with last Friday night show getting rained out, the Sunday 410-sprint show drew a field of 28 cars. Port Royal only got one of their four scheduled races, with the 410-sprint drawing a field of 38 cars with Danny Dietrich getting the win over Chase Dietz, while Trevor Feathers won the super late models feature over Gregg Satterlee. Lincoln speedway got two races in with 410-sprint car feature wins gong to Chase Dietz over Kyle Moody on March 8th., with 28 cars on hand, while Freddie Rahmer won over Anthony Macri, with a field of 32 cars on hand for the March 14th show, the 358 sprint car races went to Cody Fletcher with only 14 cars on hand. BAPS Motor speedway got three races in with two races for the 410-sprints, Anthony Macri scored the win over Chase Dietz on March 15th a Sunday show which drew 27 cars. Last Sunday Troy Wagaman Jr score the win over Freddie Rahmer, with 30-cars on hand, the 358-sprint feature was won by Cody Flechter over Derek Locke, with 27 cars on hand. In the March 8th show the limited late models raced with the sprints with Gene Knaub scoring the feature win over Coleby Frye, with a field of 27 drivers on hand, March 21st the Limited late models again had a field of 27-race-cars on hand with 16-year-old Treyton Lee scoring the feature win over Defending champ Scott Palmer. Last Sunday Bedford speedway opened its 90th season of racing with the super late models and Modifieds of the Short Track Super Series. The Modifieds drew a field of 29 cars with Danny Creeden scoring a last lap pass for the win over Alex Payne and Danny Bouc. In the super late model feature Justin Weaver drove to the win over Trevor Feathers, with 26 cars on hand for the opening race. Also of note PPMS speedway near Pittsburgh ran a 410-sprint and super late model show back on March 21st with Aj Flick getting the sprint win and Michael Norris getting the super late model feature win. Winchester speedway in Virginia ran a limited late model show on March 14th with Kyle Hardy getting both the limited late models and Crate late model feature win another race for the Crate late models had Kyle Hardy getting that feature win.

So far this season 410-sprint car winners have been Chase Dietz with two, single wins going to Lance Dewease, Danny Dietrich, Freddie Rahmer and Troy Wagaman Jr, 358 sprints has Cody Fletcher with two wins, super late model wins going to Trevor Feathers, Justin Weaver and Michael Norris, Limited late model wins going to Gene Knaub, Treyton Lee and Kyle Hardy, with two Crate late model feature wins going to Kyle Hardy.

The month of April will see four more big car racetracks open with this Friday Big Diamond, with their main division Small Block Modifieds, along with Crate sportsman Modified and Roadrunners. They run most of their races on Friday nights with a Thursday night special for the USAC sprint in June, they also have a special race for the limited late model class coming up on Friday May 8th Selingsgrove speedway opens up on Friday April 10th with a show of 410-sprints and Super late models, they have a mix of Friday, Saturday and Sunday racing events with two Thursday night races also on the schedule. The break down is fourteen Friday night races, Five Saturday night races and three Sunday night programs. The 410-sprints are Eight times, with the super late models having 14 races, the limited late models have eleven shows, and the street stocks eleven races. Other divisions that will race at Selingsgrove the 305-sprints thirteen times, East Coast wingless sprints four times, Wingless Sportsman three, 360-sprint and four-cylinder two times each. Hagerstown speedway in the state of Maryland has cut back their schedule for the 2026 season with only sixteen races set for the speedway. Fourteen races will be held on Saturday with one race on Sunday and one on Friday. Hagerstown will run types of late modes, with four races for the super late models, nine for the limited late models and ten for the crate late models, they will also have six races for the 305 sprints, they also run two other support divisions. Sunday April 12 Clinton County open its season, with 20 races schedule another track that has cut back on their schedule races from in years past. After the Sunday show the track will switch back to its regular Friday night of racing, with a special for the limited late model class on Tuesday August 4th during the annual fair races. They will again run the Phil Walter Classic for the 410-sprints on Saturday August 15th. Clinton County will also have two other 410-sprint car races on Friday June 12th and Friday July 10th. The track has ten events for the 305-sprints six for the limited late models, along with the super late model Speedweek show on Friday June 5th. Twenty races for the Pro-Stocks and four-cylinder classes nineteen for the 270-micro sprints, along with two each for the East Coast wingless sprints and Legends, and three for the Junior sprints. Other tracks will soon be opening that run Micro-sprints and go-karts, like Greenwood Valley Action track near Millville, Pa, Linds speedway near Jonestown Pa., McGrewBid speedway on the grounds of the BAPS Motor speedway. Kart tracks like Penn Creek and Seven Stars, plus a couple of races at Selingsgrove Raceway Park.

Nice jester from BAPS Motor Speedway last Sunday night to honor former late model and sprint car driver Jeff Rohrbaugh, who is battling Cancer. They had two cars one each in the sprint car class racing, along with taken a collecting during the day for his medical bills, close to \$8,000 was raised for Jeff, and I am sure more will be coning in for his cause.

Our Spring sports season is now in full bloom and early results are hard to read. The first four Selingsgrove softball games have had a lot of runs scored in lopsided endings. Credit Grove (2-2) for scheduling-up out of conference. They opened with powerful Blue Mountain and lost 19-1. Closer to home they beat Juniata 13-2 and Milton.

Teagan Richter ended the Juniata game with a three-run homer in the fifth inning and finished with five RBIs. Winning pitcher Addie Kolak had more hits herself (3) than she allowed (2). The Seals continued their winning ways by doubling up Milton 12-6 behind homers from Molly Hess and Sadi Bigger. Hess scored two runs with 3 RBIs.

They ventured back to coal country to play a very good Minersville nine and lost 17-5. If the Selingsgrove girls can stay positive, these early games against tough teams will pay off in the end.

The Mifflinburg girls have high hopes of a D4 title and beyond this year. They got off on the right foot and left arm of Taylor Stewart in beating Danville 5-2. Brook Gessner's two-run single broke a fifth inning tie. Stewart retired 13 of the final 14 Danville hitters. Anna Pachucki was 2 for 4 with a double and two runs.

The Lady Cats (2-0) won a pitcher's duel in the cruelest way for Warrior Run. Both teams combined for only four hits. The Fluman sisters had the only hits for Mifflinburg, Amelia had two and Aubrey one. Amelia scored the only run of the game with two outs in the bottom of the seventh inning on a wild pitch.

Freshman Olivia Dorman arrived on the scene for Middle-West as advertised. The nationally acclaimed softball player homered and had three RBIs to lead the Mustangs in a 17-6 rout of Newport. Lia Stoltzfus added a double and two ribs.

Dorman's heroics weren't enough in an 8-4 loss to Susquenita. Dorman went 3 for 4 with a homer and two doubles. Middle-West got well quickly in an 11-0 shutout over Shik as Kylie Mitch was in control inside the circle. Cali Sauer, Kady Wagner and Katie Zimmerman each had two hits and two RBIs in the victory.

Lewisburg softball is off to a slow start in losing 12-10 to Sullivan County and 8-1 to Jersey Shore.

I'm not sure who schedules the Spring sports for Selingsgrove but like the softball team, they opened with two rugged teams. The Seals were shutout by 11-0 by Williamsport. Penn State baseball recruit Deshawn White hit two home runs in going 3 for 3 with three runs and RBIs. Grove didn't have a hit in the five inning game.

Andrew Gesumaria's two hits including a triple weren't enough for Grove as they fell to Wyoming Valley West 7-3. The Selingsgrove bats woke up late against Mifflinburg as they scored eight runs in the sixth to tie the game at 11-11. I have to question the Cat's pitching when you can't close the door with an eight run lead? Jake Beddall's two-run double pulled the Seals within two and three straight walks tied the game before it was called for darkness.

Kaiden Kmett was able to close the door in relief for a Mifflinburg 5-4 lid-lifting win over Shik. Brennan Snyder's two-run double and closer Kmett were the difference.

Middle-West beat Loyalsock 7-1 behind Colton Aumiller's pitching and two RBIs each from Braxton Smith, Max Trawitz and Alex Trojan. Warrior Run came to Beaver Springs and handed the Mustangs their first loss 8-2. Middle-West outhit the Defenders with Kyle Shupp and Smith having two hits each but Warrior Run played longball with two round-trippers.

Middle-West (2-1) hosted Montoursville next and Shupp was the first hitter for Middle-West. He rapped a single and that was the first and last hit the home team had in losing 12-0.

Lewisburg baseball (0-3) got off to a rocky start in losing 18-1 to Loyalsock, a team Middle-West handled earlier 7-1. Giving up 16 hits and committing five errors is not a good recipe for winning baseball games. They followed with losing a closer game 7-5 to Montgomery. Landen Wagner had a three-run homer against Mount Carmel in an 18-8 loss.

Lacrosse continues to be a sport that is growing locally. I knew nothing about the game and thought John Hopkins invented it and only yuppies played it. That was until my daughter started dating a guy who grew up on Long Island and was an All-Conference LAX player in college and assistant coach at Cal.

Lewisburg is the defending D4 champion in Lacrosse but lost eight starters from last year's team. This will be a rebuilding year but the Dragons have solid players to build around with Ava Motto, Lauren Hetherington and Adreeyana Ren. They lost their first two games but beat Mifflinburg 12-5.

Mifflinburg coach Liam Holohan has a very young team with good athletes. The Cats have 14 of the 19 rostered players listed as freshmen and sophomores. Another trip to Districts could be in the offing.

Middle-West first year coach Lonnie Wagner has an untested team with only five players with experience. Maci Tittle and Kyli Hockenberry will be the ones to drive this team to a couple wins.

The Selingsgrove girls LAX team looks like the best team in our four school area. Experience alone with eight returning seniors bodes well for the Seals. Coach Andrew Howell will lead his team to the top of D4.

There should be some really good track and field teams around these parts. The Lewisburg girls fell short by seven points of winning a team title at states last year. The good news is they return plenty of stars from that team for a legitimate chance to win it all at States.

The team is led by five Div 1 recruits headed by future Penn Staters and state champions Teagan Osunde (javelin) and Baylee Espinosa (1600 & 3200). The third future Lion is jumper Lydia Delsite by way of transfer from Moon Township.

The other outstanding veterans are Maddy Moyers (sprints) and

Emma Bolton (jumper). Caroline Blakeslee, Lauren Schwartz and Kate Batkowski will also add unheard of depth for a high school track team.

Middle-West coach Jason Gemberling is looking for senior leadership on both his boys and girls squads. Leading the girls will be Carly Faulhaber, Emery Peters and Maddie Bonsall in sprints and relays. Ashlyn Hoffman and Olivia Stroup running mid-distance and relays and Leigha Wenger in the field events.

Mifflinburg only had four seniors on last year's 8-2 team and have many terrific tracksters returning. Makenna and Makayla Fogle with Lock Haven bound Jazzy Doeblner will lead the sprints and relays. Lyla Moyer, Parice Shuck and Natalie Gemberling will be leading hurdles and jumps and Emily Aikey and Laurel Ramsey will be tossing the metal.

Depth and experience will propel the Grove girls team in track and field. Grove finished 7-1 in 3A last year and according to coach Mike Stebila after a fantastic winter track season he expects nothing less. Bella Furgison will be anchoring the field events with do-it-all Lake Dent running and jumping. Relays will be handled by Mikayla Martin, Gigi Veach, Kala Hoke and Kiana Kruskie.

On the boys side, expectations are high with Selingsgrove with a young but talented group. Seniors that will help their younger teammates grow are Matt Stebila in jumps and hurdles and Bobby Kruskie, Michael Andretta (distance and relays). Noah Walter, Brett Rice, Wyatt Teats and junior Jack Piecuch in sprints and relays. Chase Carter will thrive in the throws.

Both Selingsgrove teams got off to good starts in sweeping their quad matches with Brookville, Bellefonte and East Juniata.

The boys team in Lewisburg lost a lot of point production to graduation. Last year's team finished 5-0, won 2A districts and finished third at states. Distance runners have always been a strength at Lewisburg and this year will be no different.

Justin Nolt, Grayson Barner, Hugh Ikeda Shields and Riley and Blake Gulden-Luthi will keep the Green Dragon distance running dominant.

Improving Middle-West's 1-7 record from last year is the Mustangs first goal and after that everything else will fall into place. Achieving this goal will fall on a deep and talented group of relay and distance runners. They consist of Wyatt Nelson, Connor Stoltzfus, Grant Boop, Lyncoln Hoffman and Nathan Straub.

First year Mifflinburg coach Jonathan Fetterolf will be looking at three seniors to provide a bunch of points, Larry Murray with his legs, returning state medalist Chace Aikey with his throws and Chase Yoder running and jumping.

Two brothers that toed the rubber at Mifflinburg Area are pitching at the Division 1 level. Cade Dressler is at Virginia Commonwealth University (16-11). Cade has appeared in eight games with one save and a 5.02 ERA in 14.1 innings pitched. Younger brother Troy is at Wake Forest (20-8) having appeared in eleven games, the most of any pitcher on staff. Troy started out as a reliever but just recently had two starts and sports a 4.10 ERA and a 3-1 record with 43K's in 26.1 innings pitched. Continued success and health to the Dressler boys.

I am sure you have heard about or seen the ending to the Duke/UCONN game to go to the Final Four. It was an incredible ending to a game UCONN had no right to win. It was the first time a #1 ranked team led by at least 15 points at halftime and lost in a March Madness game. First time in 135 games ... ever. Duke had the ball and a two point lead with six seconds left.

Expect two great games this Saturday with everyone thinking the championship game is being played before the finals with Michigan playing Arizona. It will be an all Big Ten final game with Illinois barely losing to Michigan on Monday night.

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Money & Collector Items (Money to be sold at 10:00 a.m.)

Wheat Pennies; Bag of 1941 Pennies; 1922 Silver Dollar; 1963 Half Dollar; Kennedy Halves; Variety of \$2 Bills; 1941 Quarter; Canadian Money; Full Sets of 50 State Quarters; Misc. Money; IH and JD Manuals plus others; Variety of Advertisement Items; Pa 1957 & Newer Hunting Licenses; Variety Of Metal Dog License; Master Mix Advertisements; New Master Mix Coats; Wood Mallet; Shoe Lather; Hunting Clothes; Wire Dog Pen

Estate of Lee Hollenbach
Executrix Sherry Reich (570) 837-1225
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Attorney: Daryl Yount (570) 966-1098

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Snyder County President Judge Announces New Work Release Option for Female Inmates

President Judge Lori Hackenberg recently announced a collaborative initiative between the Snyder County Probation Department, Snyder County Commissioners and Corrections, and Columbia County Prison officials to establish a work release option for female inmates from Snyder County.

This initiative marks a significant step forward in expanding rehabilitation opportunities and addressing a long-standing gap in programming for female inmates within Snyder County. Through partnerships with neighboring counties, including Mifflin County and Columbia County, Snyder County has worked to create a viable pathway for eligible female inmates to participate in structured work release programming.

"At its core, this initiative is about fairness, opportunity, and public safety," said President Judge Hackenberg. "Providing female inmates with access to work release programming not only promotes accountability but also supports successful reintegration into the community."

At this time, one female inmate from Snyder County has been approved for participation in the program and will be transferred to Columbia County Prison to begin the process. Officials anticipate that this partnership will serve as a model for future placements as additional eligible individuals are identified.

Work release programs are designed to allow eligible inmates to maintain employment while serving their sentence, fostering responsibility, financial stability, and a smoother transition back into the community.

BERFIELD ESTATE AUCTION

We will be selling from the home of the Late Ardis Berfield. Located at 976 White Deere Pike Road, White Deere, Pa.17887. Follow signs from the White Deere Intersection Day Of Sale.

Saturday, April 11, 2026
Starting at 9:00 Am

COLLECTIBLES * HOUSEHOLD & FURNITURE

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Monday, April 13, 2026 @ 5PM

130 +Guns Winchester mo.9410AEXTR 7-30 Walters Special w/ Bushnell; mo.94 Nickel steel 32 win special; mo.94 32 special;

mo.88 308 w/Bushnell; mo.70 264 win mag; mo.370 410; 2 mo.37 410 steel built; mo.9410 410 New; mo.275 22win mag RF w/scope; mo.12 16ga; mo.61 22LR; mo.67 22 S&L; mo. SXP 12ga 3" NIB; mo.1300 12ga 2 3/4"-3" Synthetic NIB; mo.1300 12ga 2 3/4"-3"; mo.1912 Nickel 12ga full;

mo.1400 12ga semi 2 3/4"; mo.1200 20ga; Remington mo.770 243 win w/scope; mo.7600 30-06 sprg w/Clearfield; mo.700BDL 22-250; mo.72 S&L; mo.870 Wing Master 12ga; US Remington mo.1903 30-06; US Rockiland Arsenal mo.1903 30-06;Henry Golden Boy 22L; 2 Golden Boy 22mag 1 is new; Golden Boy 17HMR NIB; Golden Boy 22 S-L-L NIB; 22 smooth bore NIB; 22 S-L-L NIB; mo. Evil Roy 22 S-L-L; mo. Evil Roy 22mag; Ruger American 223 Rim w/scope; American 270 w/scope; mo.77 22-250 w/Redfield; mo.1022 22L; Browning X Bolt Medallion 257 Roberts NIB; Savage Axis 22-250 w/synthetic Truglo scope; Creedmor 6.5 w/Weaver; 223 Rem w/World Class Tasco; mo. Youth Camo 243 w/Bushnell; 270 w/Weaver; mo.99 CD 308 w/Fieldstream; mo.93 22mag w/ Bushnell; 3 mo.24 22win mag410 1has Bushnell scope; mo.24D 22win mag/20ga; mo.330 12ga o/u 2 3/4"; Marlin mo.336 30-30 Est 1870 Micro Groove Barrel w/Weaver; mo.1894 Classic 218 Bee w/scope; mo.39A 22 S.L. 9LR w/scope; mo.336 RC 32 special Waffle Top; mo.336 RC 30-30w/Tasco scope; mo.336 CS 35cal w/Rem Micro Groove Barrel&Simmons scope; mo.1936 30-30 Special Smoke steel w/scope; mo.336 30-30 w/Weaver; mo.917V 17HMR w/Tasco; mo.917VS 17HMR w/scope; mo.60 22L micro groove barrel; 2-mo.25 22WMMR w/scopes; mo.25MN 22WMMR w/ scope; Mouser Action 8 x 57; Mouser Action 30-06; Fire Arms mo. SE 20ga; Hawa mo.1500 270 WCFw/scope; Glennfield mo.30A 30-30win w/Simmons; mo.60 22L w/scope; Vanguard Wetherby 300 Winchester short mag; Ithaca mo.87 20ga Featherlight; Mossberg 2 mo.500R 410 new; 3-mo.500E 410 2 are new; mo.500E 410 Syn; mo.640KD Chuckster 22mag w/scope; Mossberg 12ga; mo.835 Ultra Mag 12ga 2 3/4"-3 1/2"; mo.500A 12ga 2 3/4"-3"; mo.500G 20ga; H & R 223 w/scope; Rough Rider Rancher 22; Hi Point 40 S&W Carbine NIB; Hi Point 45 ACP Carbine NIB; Hi Point 9mm Carbine NIB; Stevens mo.301 410 2 1/2"-3" NIB; mo.301 410; Rossi mo. SS 410; mo. SS Poly 410 3"; mo. The Squire dbl 410; 3 Rossi 22L Synthetic NIB; Rossi 22 S&L; Rossi 22-250; mo.512-308 308 w/ scope; Heritage Range 410 2 1/2" NIB; Hatfield 410 3" NIB; mo.410; Hatfield 12ga NIB; Pardner mo.SB1 410; Revelation mo.R310E 410; Tika mo.T3X 270; Harrington Richardson mo.402 410; mo. SS1 ultra mag 22win w/scope; mo.88 12ga 3"; Centurion 12ga NIB; G Force 2 - 12ga NIB; Pardus 12ga NIB; Benelli 12ga 2 3/4"-3 1/2" Camo; ?ga 2 3/4"-3 1/2" Black; Sportsman 12 Pump 12ga 2 3/4"-3"; Escort 12ga; Ted Williams mo.200 12ga 2 3/4"; Game Master mo.349 12ga; Crescent Davis 16ga dbl; Tropper Jr Classic 20ga 3"; Nomad 20ga 3"; British mo.303 w/Tasco; ?mo. 22; Wolf 2-50cal Inline; T.C 50cal Inline NIB; Pellet Air Gun.

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A River Rat's Ramblings: April 1957

By Jim Charles; Vol. 6, Story 5

The transition to spring has made a big difference in my attitude.

Tim, dad and I went trout fishing last weekend on Penns Creek and had a great time. This was the first time Tim or I ever fished for trout on a creek this big. I have to admit it was a learning experience for both of us. First was realizing you don't just step in the creek and start fishing, it's deep and swift. A boot full of water was the first lesson. It was early morning; both the air and water were quite chilly when I needed just one more step to get the perfect spot. I never did fish that spot. When you do something dumb like that, you try not to call attention to yourself, even though you want to cry because the water is soooooo cold. I didn't make a sound, just walked back to shore, emptied my hip boot and fished with an ice-cold foot for the next three hours, until my body heat started to warm the remaining water in my boot.

Dad gave me my next lesson, "Jimmy, you have to fish where the fish are." What he meant was, the trout were on the bottom of the creek, among the rocks, not up in the water column with the current. I needed to put more split shot on my line to get my worm down to the bottom among the rock and trout. With that much weight on my line, I could cast halfway across the creek, but as soon as you do that, your bait ends up on one side of a rock and your split shot on the other. This results in a snag that usually ends up with you losing your whole rig when your line breaks trying to get it loose from the snag. After losing two more rigs, I figured out that fishing a weighted rig directly downstream results in a few fish and fewer snags. A lesson I think dad wanted me to figure out for myself (lesson learned)!

Tim and I also decided dad knew what he was doing as he almost had his limit and we each had two fish. Dad always fished with a split bamboo fly rod and never fished more than 25 feet away from where we stood. When we started to fish closer, we found we had more control of our bait, fished at a slower pace and the important part... we started catching fish.

We went to Weikert several times that spring. The lessons learned from this trip contributed to our future success. Thanks Dad! Tim and Jim.

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Portrait Honoring President Judge Lori R. Hackenberg Unveiled at Union County Court House



Lewisburg — The 17th Judicial District Court of Common Pleas unveiled a commemorative portrait of President Judge Lori R. Hackenberg, recognizing her service and leadership on the bench.

In her remarks, Judge Hackenberg reflected on her journey as a first-generation attorney.

She acknowledged her parents, who were in attendance, for their years of support and hard work, and the sacrifices they made for her career to be possible. She added that the portrait represents not only her achievements, but also their legacy of hard work.

Judge Hackenberg also emphasized the importance of the court's work in recognizing that for many people coming through the courthouse doors, it may be one of the most difficult and significant experiences of their lives. For this reason, she reaffirmed her commitment to providing fairness, dignity, and the ability for everyone who comes before her on the bench to be heard.

Her five sisters were also present for the ceremony, along with family, colleagues, and other members of the community.

Judge Hackenberg serves as the court's first female President Judge, elected in 2021, and she looks forward to serving the community and court for many years to come.

The portrait will hang in the Union County Courthouse as a lasting symbol of service, progress, and ongoing commitment she has made to justice.

Lewisburg YMCA Offers Free Fall-Prevention Program for Older Adults

A Matter of Balance Helps Participants Manage Concerns About Falling



Pictured is Sara Iannelli, lead instructor for A Matter of Balance

Lewisburg, PA — The Lewisburg YMCA, in cooperation with the Union-Snyder Agency on Aging, Inc., will offer A Matter of Balance, a program for local residents aged 60 and up who are interested in improving flexibility, balance, and strength, and have restricted their activities because of concerns about falling. The program will be offered free of charge thanks to funds made available by the Pennsylvania Department of Aging.

The program will be led by A Matter of Balance certified instructor and Lewisburg YMCA personal trainer, Sara Iannelli. Participants will meet at the Lewisburg YMCA every Tuesday and Thursday from 1:30 to 3:30 PM April 21 through May 14. Eligible participants should be ambulatory, able to problem solve, and have concerns about falling. After completing the program, which includes classroom instruction, group participation, and physical exercises, participants can hope to regain independence and restore confidence when it comes to physical activity. Iannelli stated, "A Matter of Balance gives older adults the tools and confidence they need to stay active and independent. By addressing both the physical and emotional aspects of falling, participants learn practical skills that help them move through daily life with greater strength, balance, and peace of mind."

Registration is required for all participants at GSYMCA.org, by calling 570.556.4191, or in person at the Lewisburg YMCA front desk at 120 Hardwood Drive, Lewisburg.

The Rainbow Fish Teaches Lesson About Being a Friend

By Kay Poeth



Mirra Manolov, a Senior on the women's tennis team at Bucknell University, visited SUMMIT Early Learning's Early Head Start classroom in Lewisburg to share the story of "The Rainbow Fish" by Marcus Pfister.

According to the book description, "The rainbow fish with its iridescent scales is the most beautiful fish in the whole ocean. But since he is also vain and proud, he becomes more and more lonely over time. Then he realizes that you can't win friends through beauty. He overcomes his pride and begins to distribute his glitter scales to the other fish."

Mirra planned an activity and led an activity with the class as well. Each child created their own rainbow fish with colored tissue paper.

A special gift was made possible in part through the Bucknell Community Engagement Fund — each child received their very own copy of "The Rainbow Fish" book to take home and keep!



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Tuesday, April 7th
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Thursday, April 9th
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Celebrate World Tai Chi & Qigong Day on April 25

By Kay Poeth



On Saturday, April 25, at 10 o'clock the 27th Anniversary of World Tai Chi and Qigong Day will be celebrated across the globe. The program called, "One World... One Breath," will be held in 80 countries and thousands of city locations around the world at the 10 o'clock hour.

"World Tai Chi & Qigong Day is a global celebration of 'meditation in motion,' held each year on the last Saturday in April. The event invites communities everywhere to gather outdoors and practice Tai Chi and Qigong together. What makes this day unique is the 10 am local time 'global wave.' As each time zone reaches 10 am, groups begin moving and breathing—creating a rolling wave of calm and collective intention around the planet under the motto: 'One World... One Breath.' Whether you're a longtime practitioner or totally new, this day is about sharing health, presence, and peace—one breath, one community, one moment at a time."

Founded by Bill and Angela Douglas in 1999, the purpose was to promote Tai Chi and Qigong. They are mind body practices that are over 3000 years old and practiced by million daily. Both are extremely beneficial for health and wellness.

Qigong is the precursor to Tai Chi and can be a highly effective health care practice. Qi (pronounced chee) means life force or vital energy that exists in all living things. Gong (pronounced gung) means accomplishment of the skills that develops from steady practice. It involves postures, slow methodic movements, and breathing techniques. Practiced consistently, Qigong's gentle rhythmic movements are known to reduce stress, build stamina, increase vitality, and enhance the immune system.

Locally, Michael LaBant, a 37-year practitioner, will host a free class on Saturday, April 25, at 10 am at the far end of the Shikellamy State Park Marina. "For the past several years a number of my students and I have taken part in this internationalevent. We all meet at the Shikellamy Marina overlooking the Susquehanna River, just before the start time of 10 o'clock to join the event!" said LaBant enthusiastically.

Gather at the point overlooking the area where the two branches of the Susquehanna River converge. The class is open to everyone who might be interested in a mind body practice such as Tai Chi and Qigong. In case of rain, the session will be held in the shelter of the building near the water, near the center of the Marina.

LaBant is a certified instructor with the National Qi Gong Association, The Institute of Integral Qi Gong and Tai Chi and a professional member of the American Tai Chi and Qi Gong Association. He has taught in Geisinger Medical Center's Silver Circle program as well as the Whole Life Society, formerly the Yoga Center in New Berlin.

Currently, LaBant teaches a class every Monday at 10 am at the Miller Center in Lewisburg. On Wednesday at 10:45 am, he teaches on the second floor of the Town Center on Chestnut Street in Mifflinburg.

Greenwood Friends School's Annual Spring Auction & Gala

Greenwood Friends School invites the community to join its annual Spring Auction & Gala, taking place Saturday, May 9 at 6:00 pm at The Barn at Greenwood, 3010 PA-42, Millville, PA, 17846. The theme this year is "Together We Can." It celebrates the power of community in supporting Greenwood's mission of nurturing thoughtful, compassionate learners.

The Spring Auction & Gala is Greenwood's largest fundraising event of the year and brings together families, alumni, friends, and community members for an evening of connection and celebration. The event will feature a live auction, music by the Huckleberry Hillbillies from Jersey Town, floral arrangements by Fishing Creek Floral Co. in Benton, delicious food catered by Dubelicious Grille of Danville, and an open bar with local beer and wine, all set in the beautiful surroundings of Greenwood Valley.

Funds raised during the Spring Auction & Gala support Greenwood's educational programs, teachers, and learning experiences that make the school's mission possible. "Our Spring Auction & Gala is more than a fundraiser—it's a reflection of what makes Greenwood so special," says Jessica Temple, Director of Business and Administration. "Every bid and every ticket directly support the experiences, relationships, and opportunities that help our students grow into thoughtful, compassionate people."

Community members are warmly invited to attend, participate in the auction, and celebrate the Greenwood community. Tickets and additional information are available at <https://greenwoodfriends.betterworld.org/events/springauction>

Greenwood Friends School is an independent, accredited Pre-K through 8th grade school. Centered in Quaker values, Greenwood develops the whole child by valuing each student's capacity to think critically, work collaboratively, communicate confidently, and solve problems in today's changing world. Through a commitment to equity, stewardship, and inclusion, Greenwood nurtures students from early childhood through eighth grade in a supportive and dynamic learning environment.

The Spring Auction & Gala begins at 6:00 pm on Saturday, May 9, and will be held at The Barn at Greenwood, 3010 PA-42, Millville, PA, 17846. Tickets begin at \$65, and all are welcome. For more information, please visit Greenwood Friends School's Facebook page or website at www.greenwood-friends.org.

Lewisburg Tree Planting Scheduled on April 24 to Celebrate Arbor Day

The Lewisburg Tree Commission will be celebrating Arbor Day by holding a public tree planting ceremony. The celebration will take place in the public right of way at Meadow View Court in Lewisburg at 3:00 pm on Arbor Day, April 24. This will be the first ceremonial tree planting to be held in Ward IV in Lewisburg.

The Arbor Day Foundation has named Lewisburg a Tree City USA, the Lewisburg Shade Tree Commission has proudly announced. This is the 41st consecutive year that Lewisburg has received this recognition.

To receive the designation from the Arbor Day Foundation, a community must maintain an active tree board, keep a tree care ordinance in place, document a budget, and hold an Arbor Day observance.

"Our Borough's forestry efforts reflect Lewisburg's commitment to maintaining a greener healthier community," Amy Levan, Shade Tree Commission chairperson, said. "The trees in our parks and along our streets provide shade, enhance property values, help mitigate flooding, support wildlife and offer other important benefits."

According to Levan, the Shade Tree Commission works to preserve, protect and replace the shade trees within the Borough. The Commission also strives to educate about sustainable tree care and stewardship.

For those interested in more information about the Lewisburg Shade Tree Commission they can contact the borough office at 570-523-3614 or visit the Borough office at 55 South Fifth Street, Lewisburg Monday thru Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm.

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Phishing Text Scams Aimed at Pennsylvanians

Pennsylvanians concerned that they have encountered a scam text or email regarding their driving or vehicle records are encouraged to contact PennDOT by calling at 717-412-5300 or sending an email to PennDOT Driver and Vehicle Services.

Harrisburg, PA – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT), Pennsylvania State Police (PSP), and the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission (PA Turnpike) are warning about text phishing scams currently targeting Pennsylvanians that threaten the suspension of driving and vehicle registration privileges for not paying a fine or toll violation. PennDOT does not send text messages to customers for any reason, and uses traditional mail sent via the U.S. Postal Service to communicate with Pennsylvanians.

“If you receive a text message notice from a sender claiming to be from PennDOT who is threatening to suspend your license or registration privilege, do not click on any links and just delete the message,” said PennDOT Driver and Vehicle Services Deputy Secretary Kara Templeton. “These messages are not from PennDOT.”

Scammers send phishing texts claiming to be PennDOT and threatening sanctions against driving privileges or vehicle registration. Pennsylvanians should not click on any links in these text messages to avoid giving scammers any personal or financial information that they can use to steal a customer's identity or money.

The PSP emphasizes the importance of protecting oneself from scams by following these guidelines:

- Never share personal information, including banking or credit card details, through email or text message.
- Stay vigilant. Scam emails or text messages usually appear legitimate. If you are not expecting an email or text message from an entity, do not click on any links or respond to the message. Look up a legitimate customer service phone number for the entity and contact them directly.

“Unfortunately, malicious actors are becoming increasingly sophisticated in their attempts to exploit Pennsylvanians,” said Lieutenant Colonel George L. Bivens, Acting Commissioner of the Pennsylvania State Police. “The PSP is warning the public about scam text messages that appear to be from PennDOT. These messages threaten license suspension or legal action, urging recipients to log in through a provided link. Such messages are fraudulent and are designed to create a sense of urgency to steal personal or financial information. It is crucial for everyone to recognize the signs of a scam and take proactive steps to protect themselves.”

The PSP advises that victims of scams should contact their local law enforcement agency and file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission.

Since 2024, state tolling agencies across the country have also seen a surge in fake texts requesting money for unpaid tolls, all in an effort to steal personal and financial information. PA Turnpike does not text E-ZPass or Toll By Plate customers, and the links included in the text message are not connected to their organization. The PA Turnpike also advises that customers receiving unsolicited texts, emails, or similar messages suggesting they are from the PA Turnpike or another toll agency should not click on the link.

E-ZPass account holders and Toll By Plate customers can use approved, safe methods to check their accounts such as the official PA Turnpike E-ZPass website or the PA Toll Pay app available from the Apple App Store or Google Play store.

Union-Snyder Community Action Agency Launches 2026 Community Needs Assessment

Union-Snyder Community Action Agency (CAA) has launched its 2026 Community Needs Assessment, a survey designed to gather feedback from residents on the most pressing needs facing households across both counties. The assessment is now live and will remain open for community participation through May 31, 2026. Local residents invited to share input to help shape services for the next three years. The 2026 Community Needs Assessment Survey can be completed online at the following link: www.surveymonkey.com/r/NS63S6F

Conducted every three years, the Community Needs Assessment is a critical tool that helps CAA and other local organizations identify local challenges, prioritize services, and guide strategic planning for programs including housing stability, food security, transportation access, utilities support, case management, and other essential services for low-income residents.

The survey is open to all residents of Union and Snyder Counties, regardless of income level. Responses are anonymous and will be used only to guide program development and community planning efforts. Union-Snyder CAA encourages local nonprofit partners, businesses, schools, healthcare providers, and community members to help spread the word.

In addition to the Community Needs Assessment Survey, CAA has launched a complimentary Partner Survey for employees and volunteers of community organizations that serve Union or Snyder Counties. This survey is designed to gauge community needs that organizations are seeing and supporting through their programs.

The Partner Survey can be completed online at the following link: www.surveymonkey.com/r/3ZRBRPX

Circa Contemporary Circus Returns to Weis Center to Present Humans 2.0

The Weis Center for the Performing Arts will welcome contemporary cirque ensemble Circa on Thursday, April 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the Weis Center. When at the Weis Center, they will present Humans 2.0: a symphony of acrobatics, sound and light, this is next level circus by Circa. The work was created by Yaron Lifschitz and the Circa Ensemble. The performance is 70 minutes, without an intermission and is suggested for ages 8+. Please note: Parts of this performance will include strobe lighting and haze. The performance is sponsored, in part, by the Press Enterprise.

Circa acknowledges the assistance of the Australian Government through Creative Australia, its principal arts investment and advisory body and the Queensland Government through Arts Queensland. Since 2004, Circa has been at the frontier of a new vision of the circus arts — creating powerful works that challenge, thrill and delight. Featuring an ensemble of multi-skilled artists under the direction of Yaron Lifschitz, Circa's award-winning works have been seen in 39 countries across six continents.

Ten bodies appear in a flash of light. They move in harmony for a fleeting moment and then descend into a sinuous trance. Towers grow and decay, bodies leap and are caught, as physical limits are pushed to their extreme. Can we ever find a perfect balance or is adapting to constant change the only way forward?

This next chapter of Circa's internationally acclaimed Humans is a tightly woven choreography of bodies, pulsing with music by composer Ori Lichtik and revealed in Paul Jackson's dramatic lighting. Created by circus visionary Yaron Lifschitz, Humans 2.0 is intimate, primal and deeply engaged with the challenge of being human.

Tickets can be reserved by calling 570-577-1000 or online at Bucknell.edu/BoxOffice. Tickets are also available in person from several locations including the Weis Center lobby (weekdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and the CAP Center Box Office, located on the ground floor of the Elaine Langone Center (weekdays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.).

Friends of RB Winter Spring Route 192 Clean-Up & Volunteer Work Day

Edited by Kay Poeth

Friends of RB Winter State Park are holding their annual Spring Cleanup of Route 192 on Saturday, April 18 from 9 am to noon. In the event of rain, the cleanup will be rescheduled for Saturday, May 16. Volunteers are needed and welcome to participate. Register for the cleanup at www.friendsofwbw.org/cleanup

Volunteers will meet at the Environmental Learning Center at 9 am and divide into groups. They will primarily focus on picking up trash along Route 192 between McCall Dam Road and Stover Gap Road. For volunteers with children who would like to participate, Friends of RB Winter invite them to help by searching for and picking up trash in the park's day-use area and around Halfway Lake. Several volunteers are needed to stack firewood at the firewood shed in the campground.

The Friends will provide gloves, trash bags, and safety vests. Please bring a water bottle and wear weather-appropriate clothing. As we'll be working in grassy areas along the road's edges, insect repellent is highly recommended, and checking for ticks afterward is advised!

Afterward, the group will gather at the Environmental Learning Center to enjoy lunch together, provided by the Friends!

From roadside clean-ups and landscaping to installing benches and public outreach stands, the Friends of R. B. Winter State Park offers many ways for volunteers to become involved at the Park. All volunteers with the Friends must be registered through DCNR's Conservation Volunteer program. If you have any questions about registering with the CV system, contact the Friends at friendsofwbw@gmail.com for assistance.

Spring is here and the weather is getting warmer. R.B. Winter State Park is gearing up for these events. The campground at R. B. Winter State Park will reopen for the camping season on Friday, April 3! The 61-site campground accommodates tents, trailers, and motor homes of varying sizes. The campground also has three camping cottages that sleep up to five people each.

To learn more about camping at R. B. Winter and make a reservation, visit the Park's website.

Pennsylvania's statewide Opening Day of Trout Season will be held on Saturday, April 4. To participate in trout fishing anglers ages 16 and older are required to possess both a fishing license and a trout permit. For more information about Trout fishing in Pennsylvania visit <https://www.pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat>

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Investments of Over \$230 Million in North Central PA Roads and Bridges in 2026

Edited by Kay Poeth

From PennDOT Engineering District 3 Annual Overview of Major Projects

Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) Engineering District 3 announced on March 20, that 101 projects are anticipated to start during the 2026 construction season, and 37 projects will continue in 2026 in the nine-county, Montourville-based region. These investments support a safe and reliable transportation network that connects people to opportunity and each other.

“As construction season gets underway, there is a renewed sense of energy, as PennDOT crews and industry partners begin construction to preserve and strengthen the transportation infrastructure throughout the region,” said District 3 Executive Eric High. “This investment made into our transportation system is an investment into our future. Each project, big and small, supports our economy and enhances our communities by building and maintaining safe, reliable connections that move our region forward.”

PennDOT anticipates investing more than \$230.8 million in the region spanning Bradford, Columbia, Lycoming, Montour, Northumberland, Snyder, Sullivan, Tioga, and Union counties. This investment includes rehabilitating, reconstructing, and resurfacing 86 miles of highways and working on 59 bridges. 19,525 miles of roadway have been improved and work has advanced on 1,757 state and local bridges.

Notable projects that are expected to begin or continue in our area include:

- Snyder County
 - Route 522 replacement continues of the bridges that carry Route 522 and Route 235 over tributaries to Beaver Creek in Spring Township, \$4.8 million.
- Snyder County Department Force projects include:
 - Snyder County - Paving (6.47 Miles)
 - SR 204 in Penn and Jackson Townships
 - SR 522 in McClure Borough, West Beaver and Spring Townships
 - Snyder County - Bridge Replacement Project
 - SR 1011 (Salem Road) in Penn Township
 - Snyder County - Seal Coat Operations (19.43 Miles)
 - SR 1001 (Richard Road) in Centre and Franklin Townships

- SR 1003 (Walnut Acres Road) in Centre Township
- SR 1006 (Spruce Hollow Road) in Jackson Township
- SR 2009 (Middle Creek Road) in Penn Township
- SR 2011 (Clifford Road) in Penn Township
- SR 2016 (Sassafras Street) in Penn Township
- Union County
 - I-80 westbound mill and resurface between Exit 199 (Mile Run) and White Deer Pike (Route 1010) at mile marker 207; work includes drainage upgrades and bridge preservation work in Buffalo and White Deer townships, \$4.4 million.
 - Union County Department Force projects include:
 - Union County - Paving (10.22 Miles)
 - SR 1005 (Hospital Drive) in Kelly Township
 - SR 2004 (Furnace Road) in Buffalo Township
 - SR 3002 (Laurel Road) in Hartley Township
 - SR 3007 (Forrest Hill Road) in Mifflinburg Borough and West Buffalo Township
 - SR 3009 (Church Road) in West Buffalo Township
 - Union County - Bridge Replacement Project
 - SR 3014 (Tower Road) in Limestone Township
 - Union County - Seal Coat Operations (40.50 Miles)
 - SR 192 (Buffalo Road) in Hartley, Lewis, and West Buffalo Townships
 - SR 235 in Hartley Township
 - SR 3001 (Pick Road) in Hartley Township
 - SR 3002 (Weikert Road) in Hartley Township
 - SR 3003 (Millmont Road) in Harleton Borough and Lewis Township
 - SR 3004 (Creek Road) in Hartley and Lewis Townships
 - SR 3006 (Davis Road) in Harleton Borough, Hartley and Lewis Townships
 - SR 3020 (Hassenplug Road) in Hartley Township



Multi-State Aggressive Driving Enforcement Effort Launched

Aggressive driving enforcement is running now through April 26, one-day coordinated enforcement planned for April 14.

Preliminary traffic fatality data for 2025 shows an increase in crash fatalities involving aggressive driving, despite an overall decrease in traffic deaths.

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT), Pennsylvania State Police (PSP), the Highway Safety Network, and the State of New Jersey today launched a multi-state aggressive driving enforcement wave running through April 26. The goal of this targeted enforcement is to reduce the number of aggressive-driving-related crashes, injuries, and deaths in both states. As part of the enforcement wave, agencies across both states will join together for a one-day coordinated enforcement on April 14. No matter where you drive, if you drive aggressively, you will be stopped by police.

“Aggressive driving crashes and fatalities are completely preventable,” said PennDOT Secretary Mike Carroll. “Slow down, pay attention, follow all traffic signs, and just be kind! If we all stay calm and courteous while driving, we can create a safer and more respectful driving culture, ultimately leading to fewer aggressive driving crashes and traffic deaths. Please commit to safe driving for the benefit of everyone on the road.”

PennDOT invests approximately \$23 million annually in federal grant funding statewide, partnering with state and local police to deliver high-visibility enforcement throughout the year to help prevent crashes, fatalities, and injuries on our roadways. High-visibility enforcement is a safety countermeasure supported by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

Pennsylvania’s statewide aggressive-driving enforcement wave runs through April 26 and is focused on speeding, distracted driving, and work zone awareness. Motorists exhibiting other unsafe behaviors such as driving too fast for conditions, following too closely, or making careless lane changes will also be cited. In 2024, there were 5,897 aggressive-driving crashes, resulting in 106 fatalities and 405 suspected serious injuries. Preliminary 2025 data indicates fatalities in aggressive-driving crashes have increased, even while overall fatalities have decreased. Complete 2025 fatality data will be announced in the spring.

Throughout the enforcement period, PSP, along with approximately 300 municipal agencies from across the state, will concentrate efforts on roadways that are known to have a high number of aggressive-driving crashes using traffic enforcement zones, saturation patrols, speed enforcement details, work zone enforcement, and multi-jurisdictional enforcement details to identify and cite aggressive drivers.

“The PSP is committed to protecting roadways across Pennsylvania by cracking down on aggressive drivers and holding violators accountable,” said Pennsylvania State Police Acting Commissioner Lieutenant Colonel George Bivens. “Reckless behavior behind the wheel has proven time and again to have deadly consequences. Together, we can help ensure everyone gets where they need to go safely by slowing down, staying alert, avoiding distractions, and obeying our traffic laws.”

In partnership with the New Jersey State Police and the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police, police departments across the Garden State will mirror the efforts made in Pennsylvania. Additional troopers will use radar and laser to enforce New Jersey’s speeding laws, look for drivers distracted by their cell phones, and enforce the Move Over law through the end of April. They will be supported by municipal officers statewide participating in this initiative through the “Goal Zero” campaign, with additional coordinated enforcement on April 14.

PSP investigated approximately 77,000 crashes in 2025, including 485 fatal crashes and 8,166 distracted driving crashes.

“This enforcement campaign is not about issuing citations — it’s about preventing tragedies,” said Highway Safety Network Executive Director Chris Lengle. “Proactive enforcement by police reduces crashes, injuries, and fatalities. Every stop made by an officer is an opportunity to correct dangerous behavior before it becomes a life-changing event for someone. We urge every driver to do their part: slow down, stay patient, and share the road responsibly. Together, with the support of our law enforcement partners and public commitment, we can make our roads safer for everyone.”

Aggressive driving crashes involve two or more of the following factors:

- Making an illegal U-turn.
- Improper or careless turning.
- Turning from the wrong lane.
- Proceeding without clearance after a stop.
- Running a stop sign.
- Running a red light.
- Failure to respond to another traffic control device.
- Tailgating.
- Sudden slowing or stopping.
- Careless passing or lane change.
- Passing in a no passing zone.
- Making an improper entrance to a highway.
- Making an improper exit from a highway.
- Speeding.
- Driving too fast for conditions.
- Driver fleeing police.

If you encounter an aggressive driver, put your own safety first:

- Get out of their way and stay as far away as possible.
- Do not engage or challenge the driver in any way.
- Stay relaxed, avoid eye contact, and ignore rude gestures.
- Don’t block the passing lane if you are driving slower than most of the traffic.
- Do not attempt to follow or pursue the vehicle.
- You or a passenger may call the police. But, if you use a cell phone, pull over to a safe location. If you can, note the license plate and a description of the car.

While many people associate aggressive driving with road rage, they are two different behaviors. Road rage is a criminal offense and is often the result of aggressive driving behavior that escalates into an assault with a vehicle or other dangerous weapon.

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Rowe Announces Grants Supporting Veterans Across 85th District

Rep. David H. Rowe (R-Snyder/Union/Mifflin/Juniata) announced the award of grants funded through donations to the Pennsylvania Veterans Trust Fund (VTF). These grants will support critical programs that provide direct assistance to veterans and their families residing in the 85th Legislative District. The grants include:

- Juniata County Veterans Affairs and Mifflin County Veteran Affairs - \$30,000 to address veterans' immediate financial, housing, and health care needs. The grant will also support expanded outreach efforts to ensure veterans can access services.
- Union-Snyder Community Action Agency - \$30,000 to

provide direct emergency assistance to veterans and their families, helping them meet urgent needs and stabilize during times of hardship. "These grants will make a meaningful difference in the lives of local veterans," said Rowe. "I am pleased to see funds set aside to enable community organizations to deliver essential services that these men and women earned through selfless service to our great country." The Veterans Trust Fund is supported by voluntary donations from Pennsylvanians, including proceeds from the Honoring Our Veterans license plate program, voluntary contributions via driver's license and vehicle registration renewals, and private donations made directly to the fund.

Senate Finance Committee Advances Bill to Support Living Organ Donors

Senator Lynda Schlegel Culver (R-27) recently announced that the Senate Finance Committee has approved Senate Bill 124, bipartisan legislation she is co-prime sponsoring with Senator Lindsey Williams (D-38), to provide targeted tax relief for Pennsylvanians who choose to become living organ donors. Senate Bill 124 would allow a living organ donor to deduct up to \$10,000 in unreimbursed expenses related to organ donation, including travel, lodging, lost wages, and medical expenses. The deduction may only be claimed once in a lifetime, and cannot reduce taxable income below zero. An amendment was also adopted in committee to allow the deduction to be claimed either in the tax year when the transplant occurs or in the tax year when eligible expenses are incurred. This added flexibility addresses real-life timing situations, such as when a donation occurs late in the year but lost wages or medical costs carry into the next tax year. The amendment also adjusts the effective date so the deduction applies to tax years beginning after December 31, 2025. "Living organ donors step forward to save lives, and they should not be left to shoulder unavoidable costs for doing the right thing," Culver said. "This bill is carefully limited, but it can make a real difference for Pennsylvanians who want to help someone else and face out-of-pocket expenses in the process." Culver, a beneficiary of a living organ donor herself, said living donation can reduce transplant wait times and improve outcomes, while also reducing long-term costs associated with chronic conditions like kidney disease. "Senate Bill 124 is a practical, bipartisan step that supports generosity and removes a barrier we know exists," Culver said. "I'm grateful to Senator Williams for partnering as co-prime sponsor and to the members of the Finance Committee for moving this forward." "Like Senator Culver, and so many across Pennsylvania, my family and friends have been touched by the need for organ donation," Senator Williams said. "One of my friends is a living donor. Her donation went to the child of another friend. And my uncle suffered from kidney disease for years. Unfortunately, he was unable to receive a transplant and was on dialysis for years before his passing. Kidney disease—and its treatment—can be extremely isolating, expensive, time-consuming, and exhausting for individuals and their families. But living donors can make a real difference. This legislation is a spark of hope for the nearly 6,000 Pennsylvanians on the transplant waiting list. Because if only a tiny percent of adults find it a little easier to become a living donor, we could eliminate our transplant waitlist entirely." Senate Bill 124 now heads to the full Senate for consideration.

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