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# Santa Claus Is Coming to Kratzerville Volunteer Fire Company



On Thursday, December 15 from 6-8 pm, Santa Claus will be visiting the Kratzer-ville Volunteer Fire Company to meet with local children and to hear their Christmas wishes. Santa invites children of all ages to come to the Fire

Company located at 62 Fire Hall Road, just off of Route 204 to receive treats and to share their Christmas lists.

Boy Scout Troop 441 of Kratzerville will be collecting toys for the Toys for Tots and visitors can add their donation to the barrel. Each year the scouts collect toys for children who wouldn't have gifts under the tree without the generosity of oth-

Food is available for purchase during the event including pizza, chicken fingers, cheeseburgers, fresh cut fries, and more. The social hall will be non-smoking while Santa is visiting.

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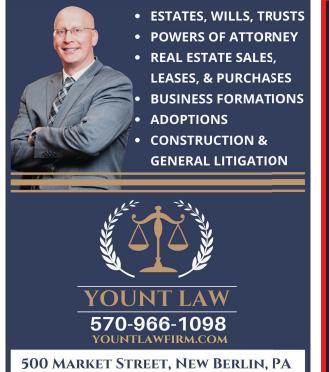
A \$3.00 per person donation is required to help raise money for a local animal rescue group.

We appreciate your generosity! A must see! Bring your Friends!

~Cash & Masks Preferred as this is an indoor show~

#### ~Early Buying Preview~

December 2nd Friday Evening 6:00PM ~ 9:00PM December 3rd Saturday 10:00AM ~ 4:00PM December 4th Sunday 10:00AM ~ 4:00PM



# Mifflinburg Turkey Trot



Mifflinburg's Turkey Trot kicked off on Thanksgiving morning continuing a tradition for families from near and far that started the day with a 5K run or walk. This annual event held in Mifflinburg Community Park allows participants a feeling that they have earned that big Thanksgiving meal that they will enjoy later on in the afternoon.

The event is hosted by the Mifflinburg Boys' Lacrosse Team together with the Herr Memorial Library. A representative of the Herr Memorial Library confirmed that they had a total of 300 people who participated in the event which was a great turnout. Those that signed up prior to October 29th received a commemorative t-shirt, and Dr. Doug Spotts, a former Mifflinburg resident, acted as the celebrity turkey for this year.

The proceeds of the event benefitted both the Mifflinburg Boys' Lacrosse Team and the Herr Memorial Library. In addition, participants were encouraged to contribute a non-perishable food item which would be donated to a local food bank. The Lacrosse Team and the Herr Memorial Library are both very thankful for the support of the volunteers, participants, the lacrosse players, and the turkeys!



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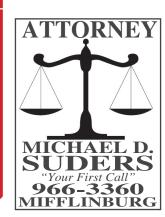
Mifflinburg UMC's Thanksgiving Feast



Volunteers from Mifflinburg UMC provided 164 Thanksgiving meals for area residents.

Early on Thanksgiving Day, Mifflinburg United Methodist Church volunteers gathered to prepare a delicious holiday meal for their Annual Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner. 164 meals were provided for Mifflinburg residents, including some of our first responders. The meals were provided for take-out, dine in, or delivery within the borough. Additionally, about a dozen volunteers were also fed. Only a small amount of turkey, gravy and cranberry sauce was left over, so the meal was considered a huge success! Thanks to the amazing volunteers and all of the people who ordered dinners. Blessings to

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Cody M. Heidler, White Deer to Tisha Watson, White Deer Township property in White Deer Township for the

Robert A. Paterson & Gail P. Flynn Miller & Scot B. Paterson & Tucker O. Paterson Trust to Gail P. Flynn Miller & Wayne S. Miller, Lewisburg property in East Buffalo Township for the sum of 1.00.

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Stephen F. & Linda M. Buttorff, Millmont to Matthew S. & Christina D. Morseman, Millmont property in Hartleton Borough for the sum of 240,000.00.

Debra H. & Calvin J. Webb II, Johnstown & Scott E. & Kristin I. Henninger, Lewisburg to Douglas R. Bird, Watsontown & Makaula Lynn Finan, Watsontown property in East Buffalo Township for the sum of 330,000.00.

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Janet S. Hartman to Colin E. & Samantha M. Gessner & Jane P. Spickler, Mifflinburg property in Buffalo Township for the sum of 400,400.00.

Alpha & Omega Realty LLC, Milton to Frederick J. III & Melissa J. Bennett, Orangeville, Pa. property in White Deer Township for the sum of 270,000.00.

Gary L. Kauffman, Lewisburg to John C. Taylor Jr., Watsontown & Terry S. Fogelman, Largo FL. & Nathan H. Clemens, West Milton property in Lewisburg Borough for the Debra H. & Calvin J. Webb II, Johnstown & Scott E. &

Kristin I. Henninger, Lewisburg to Scott E. & Kristin I. Henninger property in East Buffalo Township for the sum

#### Amy Boyer, Mifflinburg from Jennifer Campbell, Orange,

Ct. they were married for 8 years.

Irisbel Melendez Martinz, Lewisburg to Miguel Sanchez

Torres, Lewisburg Andrew Stanfield Crago, Lewisburg to Rachel Maria Farnelli, Montrose Pa.

#### DISTRICT JUDGE JEFFREY ROWE, LEWISBURG

Charged Robert Frank Caszatt, 30, of Selinsgrove, with use/possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a small amount of marijuana for personal use, non PA vehicle not registered, and fail to use safety belt-driver and vehicle occupant on November 28.

**Charged** Corey Lee Cummings, 38, with retail theft on November 22.

**Police** 

# MIFFLINBURG

DISTRICT JUDGE JEFFREY L. MENSCH,

#### MILTON STATE POLICE

Assault with Weapon 12:16 a.m. November 13, at 360 White Deer Run Road, in Gregg Township. PSP responded to a report of a stabbing that occurred at the facility. The suspect, James Cloud, 34, of Kenmore, NY, was taken into custody without incident. Charges were filed through District Court 17-3-02. Crash 11:50 a.m. November 21, on Interna-

tional Drive at its intersection with AJK Blvd, in Kelly Township. A 2016 Toyota Corolla was stopped at the intersection traveling south on International Drive and a 2012 Chevrolet Malibu was stopped at the intersection traveling east on AJK Blvd. The Toyota Corolla was stopped before the Chevrolet Malibu. The Chevrolet Malibu then proceeded to turn right through the intersection without yielding the right of way to the Toyota Corolla. Both vehicle entered the intersection and the Chevrolet Malibu struck the Toyota Corolla in the rear passenger door with its front driver side bumper. Both vehicles were able to be driven from the scene. No injuries were reported. The driver of the Chevrolet Malibu was issued a warning for stop signs and yield signs.

Found Property/Drugs 8:12 a.m. November 22, at 160 Commerce Park, in White Deer Township. PSP was dispatched to a report of a found handgun magazine with ammunition. Anyone with information regarding the owner of the lost magazine is asked to contact police at 570-524-2662.

**Crash** 12:47 a.m. November 21, on SR 15 in White Deer Township. A 2015 Scion FRS driven by Seth J. Smith, 20, of Williamsport, was traveling north on SR 15 in the left lane. The front bumper and hood struck a deer in the roadway. No injuries were reported. Smith was issued a warning for driving vehicle at safe speed. 





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# Community Calendar ]

After School Program for Mifflinburg Students 6-12th Monday's - Wednesday's, 3-5pm, Mifflinburg UMC, 279 Market St., Mifflinburg

Lewisburg Holiday Happenings

December 2, Late Night Shopping Downtown Lewisburg and Kids Night at the Museum 4:30-7:30pm

Mifflinburg Church of the Nazarene December 4, 6pm, Concert by the Itzels Family of Maryland, 12 Market Street, Mifflinburg

C&K's Creations Holiday Craft Show

December 3, 1-4pm, December 4, 10 am-3pm, Cellars at Brookpark in Lewisburg St. John's United Church of Christ

December 10, 7:30pm, December 11, 3pm, Buffalo Valley Singers presents their annual Christmas concert, 1050 Buffalo Rd., Lewisburg

December 10, Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner, 417 Market Street, Mifflinburg

**Lewisburg Contra Dance** 

December 10, 7-10pm, Donald Heiter Community Center, 100N 5th Street

**Emmanuel UCC Church New Berlin** 

December 3, 8am-4pm, Christmas Bazaar, cookie walk, soup and bake sale,

MJHS Class of '70 Lunch Decembr 16, 11:30, At Vinces Pizza

MJHS Class of 1965 Holiday lunch

December 16, noon, Good Wil's Montandon

MJHS Class of 1964 Luncheon December 15, 1, Hotel Middleburger

West Snyder Class of 1965 Breakfast December 12, 9am, Vinces Family Restaurant, Beaver

Mifflinburg YMCA Painting Workshop December 13, 12:30-2:30pm, Register by contacting the

Mifflinburg Y at 570-966-7273

Selinsgrove Class of 1956 Luncheon December 12, Hoss's Steak House, Shamokin Dam

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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

# Union County Plan Being Updated It is time for Union County to update its comprehensive

plan which was last revisited more than a decade ago. The purpose of the plan is to examine a variety of issues that touch the lives of county residents on a daily basis such as broadband connectivity, economic development, energy resources, housing, land use, natural resources, transportation, sewer, water and many others. The goal of the planning process is to identify actions that can be taken to overcome challenges that our communities are facing today or will be in the near future in order to maintain and strengthen Union County's economy, family-friendly culture and quality of life.

"As elected officials we know that our residents care about the county and have concerns or opinions about what direction we should be headed in terms of our policies, programs and services" said Union County Commissioner Chairman Jeff Reber. "But we also know how difficult it is to make sure everyone's voices are heard and not just a few people", added Reber. Commissioner Stacy Richards said the comprehensive

plan serves as a blueprint for the future and the county wants to learn about ideas the citizens have, no matter how big or small. "All Union County households should have received a postcard about our survey. Please take a few minutes to go online and complete the survey. It's an easy way to share your thoughts and it will help us shape

the county's future", added Richards.

As a commissioner that was present during the development of the existing plan, Cultivating Community: A Plan for Union County's Future, Preston Boop said "this is a chance for you to have a say in the direction Union County takes in the coming years. I would encourage you to get involved. If you don't participate then someone else will decide for you and you may not like the results." Boop added that it is important to have a plan because local government has limited resources and needs to be smart about its investments in projects and services.

Whether you are a lifelong resident of the county or new to the area the plan will likely include a topic that interests you. In addition to the online survey the county Planning & Economic Development Department will also be holding public meetings in the future and will provide an online forum for viewing information and sharing ideas. For more information about the comprehensive plan

update residents can visit the county website at www. unioncountyplan.org to take the survey and sign up for notifications about upcoming public involvement opportunities and general updates about the planning process.







Heartland Youth Football Champs

Congratulations to the Mifflinburg A-Varsity Football team, a division of 5th and 6th graders, who won the District Championship on Sunday, November 20. They beat Shikellamy 19-13.

The team was undefeated for the season with an 8-0 record, earning a bye into playoffs. The team then went 3-0 in playoffs en route to the championship. Mifflinburg defeated Bloomsburg 39-0, Muncy 19-0, and Shikellamy 19-13 to win the championship.

During the season, Mifflinburg went 11-0 and outscored opponents 378-25. The boys have been playing together for years. They began the season on August 1 with the mindset of winning the title.

According to Chris Snyder, "We coaches asked a lot of

them all season in practice. They never complained, they just put in the work. What makes them special is they're good football players, but even better young men.'

Way to go, Mifflinburg Wildcats 5/6 division on winning the Heartland Youth Football Championship.

#### Light Up Little Buffalo State Park! On Saturday, December 17 from 6-9 pm, Little Buffalo

State Park will be lit up for the holidays. Little Buffalo's

lighted trail is brought to you by Little Buffalo State Park in conjunction with The Friends of Little Buffalo. Meet Santa, cook marshmallows over an open fire, and enjoy the thousands of lights and displays located along this quarter mile trail in the park's East Picnic Area. This is a free program but donations are graciously accepted. Proceeds this year will be going towards re-

storing their historic train car, which is in dire need of repairs and was once a fun addition to the holiday trail All donations provide future programs, festivals, and recreational activities at the park. Please bring a flashlight as the parking areas are dark

Hot chocolate and cookies will be for sale by the local 4H all 7 nights. Daily events so far are as follows: Dec. 17 - West Perry Mustang Chorale -Time TBA; Dec. 21 Newport Ensembles - Elementary chorus, Minivation, & Innovation -Time TBD; Dec. 22 - Dixie's Dance Studio 6:30 pm and Dec. 23 - Greenwood Swing Choir "Out of the Blue" - 7:30 pm

Well behaved pets are welcome, but must be restrained at all times. Your pet will likely not enjoy this as much as you will due to the crowds. For more information, email littlebuffsp@pa.gov or call the park office at 717-567-

# Evan Hospital Granted Funds for EMT Training and Support Evangelical Community Hospital was recently awarded a grant of \$20,000 from the

Greater Susquehanna Valley Community Fund at the First Community Foundation Partnership of Pennsylvania (FCFP). The funds are designated to support an EMT training program of Evangelical Regional Mobile Medical Services (ERMMS) that allows for expansion and growth of the Hospital's Emergency Response program.

The ERMMS EMT Training Program is designed as an eight-week program. Each week of the program, trainees undergo four days of classroom instruction at the EMT Training Center in Selinsgrove and one day of supervised, hands-on training working on an ambulance in the community. Participants accepted into the program are immediately employees of ERMMS receiving payment for the time they put into learning how to care for the area's patients.

An EMT provides emergency medical care to individuals in need—they assess, stabilize, and transport patients who need routine medical care or who are experiencing life-threatening emergencies. EMTs on scene may provide basic life

support services.

Classroom instruction and curriculum content is provided by Harrisburg Area Community College EMT instructors. The field work on local ambulance calls is supervised by an ERMMS preceptor. At the conclusion of the eight-week training program EMT trainees will have met all requirements and certifications for employment as an EMT except the Pennsylvania EMT Certification. This final level of certification requires sitting for a two-phase examination that is comprised of a hands-on demonstration of skill and a written test.

To qualify for ERMMS education program, a candidate must be 16 years of age, have an interest in becoming an EMT, and be willing to make a commitment to 18 months of full-time employment with ERMMS upon receipt of certification. For more information on the EMT Trainee Program, visit www.EvanHospital.com/Careers.

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#### **ESTATE NOTICE**

Estate of GENE W. KNEPP, deceased, late of Lewisburg Borough, Union County, Pennsyl-

LETTERS TESTAMEN-TARY on the above estate having been granted to Todd W. Knepp, Executor. All persons indebted to the estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims to present the same without delay,

Gene W. Knepp, Estate c/o Matthew A. Slivinski, 111 N. High Street, Suite 1

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# **Obituaries**

Ira W. "JR" Keister, 92, Winfield



Ira W. "JR" Keister, 92, of Route 304, Winfield, passed away on Monday, Nov. 28, at his home.

He was born Sept. 14, 1930, in Franklin Township, Snyder County, a son of the late Ira and Susie (Brouse) Keister Sr. He was married for 70 years to the former Thelma L. Snook, until her passing on March 6, 2020.

Early in life, he had drove truck for the Rosedale Creamery in New Berlin and then went into auto sales, later establishing his own business, Ira W. Keister

Auto Sales. He was a member of Emmanuel United Church of Christ, New Berlin, Charity Masonic Lodge, Williamsport Consistory, Loyal Order of the Moose Milton, New Berlin Fire Company, and contributed to the Shriners.

JR enjoyed hunting, the family goats, but most of all his family, especially his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Surviving are two daughters, Cathy Keister of Winfield and Lonna Valencia of Winfield, two sons Richard Keister of Middleburg, and Scott Keister of Mount Holly Springs; 10 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and two sisters, Betty Mengle and Lorraine Benner, both of Middleburg.

He was preceded in death by son, Corey, in infancy; a grandson, Andres Valencia; five sisters, Edith Snyder, Eldora Kreider, Dorothy Reich, Shirley Dunkelberger and Edna Hare; and six brothers, Merle, Leroy, George, Homer, Bright and Eugene

A viewing will be held Friday, Dec. 2, from 1 to 2 p.m. at Faith Christian Fellowship, 12 Creamery Ave., Middleburg, followed by funeral at 2 with Pastor David Swartzentruber officiating.

Burial will be in the New Berlin Cemetery

Contributions to honor JR's memory may be made to the Emmanuel United Church of Christ, 326 Market St., New Berlin, 17855 or Faith Christian Fellowship, 12 Creamery Ave., Middleburg, 17842

Arrangements by Hummel Funeral Home, 574 Hill St., Middleburg

Karen Erdley, 80, Lewisburg

Karen Erdley, 80, of Lewisburg, passed away on Nov. 19, 2022, after valiantly fighting breast cancer for more than 40

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 28 at Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 100 S. 3rd

## Joey Lye Speaks at Lewisburg Sunrise Rotary Club



Pictured L-R is sponsor Paul Smith and Joey Lye.

Joey Lye, Olympic Bronze Medalist, TEDx speaker and Entrepreneur was the newest speaker at the Lewisburg Sunrise Rotary Club. Joey spoke on personal motivation and pushing through hardship to achieve success.

# HELP WANTED

Larry's Pizza & Subs is accepting applicants for **Full and Part-Time Kitchen Staff** and Full and Part-Time

Must be able to work nights and weekends

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# Wanted

**Snyder & Union County Times Reporter** As of December 30th our beloved

reporter, Kay Poeth, has decided to retire. So we are looking for a replacement! This position is on an as-needed basis to go out and

cover events. We are looking for someone to help us 9 AM - 5 PM. It requires good writing skills and

someone who likes to be a social butterfly and flit around social events in Snyder and Union County. Kay said she is willing to give up her secrets on how she does it.

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### Conrad Weiser **DAR Inducts** New Member



Pictured here are Chaplain Margaret Keller and Regent Patty Wetzel with Gloria Dawn Miller, the newest member of the Conrad Weiser Chapter NSDAR.

The Conrad Weiser Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) inducted their newest member, Gloria Dawn Miller, into the chapter at their regular meeting on November 5, 2022 at the Susquehanna Valley Country Club.

# Soil Fertility Ag Planning Program

With harvest well underway, now more than ever producers are realizing the importance of understanding what nutrients are already in your soil, and what may be missing. Fall is a great time to prepare for next year's cash crop by pulling soil samples now, and coming up with a fertility management plan for next growing season.

Between fuel, fertilizer, and seed prices all at seemingly record highs, and drought-stricken crops with little quality or yield, it may be hard to want to spend any more money on fertility tests. That is where the Union County Conservation District would like to help you. We are offering producers incentive to soil and manure sample through our Ag Planning and Soil Health program to help you come up with a fertilizer plan specific to your

Knowing the fertility of your soil allows you to best align crop needs with targeted manure applications and hopefully only needing little, to no supplemental fertilizer. Perhaps you've been applying more manure than your soil needs just because you have it and need a place to go with it. What if we work to use precision manure applications to only apply as much manure as your crop needs to meet its yield goal, and sell/export any manure you produce that's left over. UCCD can then help you come up with a fertilizer value of your manure by using your manure analysis report. Not only could that extra manure be just what another operator could use for their soil fertility program and be an extra source of income for you, but precision manure applications help avoid excess nutrients from building up in the soil and prevent those nutrients from ending up

Completing a Nutrient Balance Worksheet with your manure and soil analysis reports is a great place to start with understanding exactly how much additional fertilizer is needed to meet your crops yield goal with your planned manure rate. Whether we help you understand and interpret your analysis results, or connect you with local agronomic experts, knowing what you already have on your operation could be key to saving you some time and money.

Along with soil and manure sampling, our Ag Planning and Soil Health program offers incentives to producers to have their state require agricultural plans (Manure or Nutrient Management and Ag E&S or Conservation Plans) updated or written specifically to your operation using fertility tests. UCCD also has higher incentives available to producers who have their agricultural plans already updated to plant a minimum of three species cover crop mix this fall yet. Planting a diversity of cover crops could be yet another way for producers to enhance their soil fertility, and save some input costs come next spring.

If our Ag Planning and Soil Health program sounds of interest to you, feel free to contact the Union County Conservation District for more information or to get signed up. We are located at 155 North 15th Street Lewisburg, PA 17837 or give us a call at 570-524-3860 anytime between 8:00am and 4:30pm.

# Births

A Girl, Banks Evie Gingher to Sydney Gingher (McGlaughlin) and Steven Gingher of Mifflinburg on November 14, 2022 at The Family Place of Ecangelical. Grandparents are Shawn and Kelly McGlaughlin of Miffliburg, Doug and Melinda Gingher of Lewisburg. Great Grandparents are Tony McGlaughlin of Mc-Clure, John and Linda Schnure of Mifflinburg, and Wanda Gingher of Bellefonte, PA



### Safe Driving Around **School Buses**

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) was joined today by the Pennsylvania State Police, the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Newbery Township Police, and West Shore School District transportation partners to reinforce the importance of school transportation safety and highlight the potential school transportation challenges posed by changing daylight conditions. The results of Operation Safe Stop, an annual school bus enforcement and education initiative that was held on October 19 this year, were also an-

Operation Safe Stop data revealed that participating school districts and law enforcement agencies reported witnessing 155 violations of the law, down from the 252 reported last year. The initiative is held in conjunction with local and state police departments, school districts, and pupil transportation providers to conduct enforcement, raise public awareness about the consequences of improper passing of school buses, and reduce occurrences. Convictions for breaking the School Bus Stopping Law increased from 314 in 2020 to 348 in 2021.

"The increase in convictions of the School Bus Stopping Law last year is just one reason why we're reminding motorists of its importance. One incident of passing a school bus is one too many," said Acting Deputy Secretary for Highway Administration Mike Keiser. "With additional challenges such as darkness coinciding with more of our students' school bus ride times and the distraction of the quickly approaching holiday season, it is important that motorists remain vigilant while sharing the road with school buses and students.'

The School Bus Stopping Law requires motorists to stop at least 10 feet from the bus when approaching a school bus with its red lights flashing and stop arm extended. Motorists approaching from all directions are required to stop. The only exception to this law is when motorists encounter a school bus stopping on the opposite side of a divided highway when lanes of the highway are clearly separated by a divider, such as a concrete barrier or grassy median.

"Drivers might consider the penalties if convicted of disobeying Pennsylvania's School Bus Stopping law steep - a \$250 fine, five points on your driving record and a 60-day license suspension," said Corporal Zeina Black, Permits and Bus Safety Unit Supervisor with the Pennsylvania State Police. "But even worse than these penalties, a tragedy could occur if either a driver or a student is not paying attention to their surroundings." Some safety tips for students to remember while wait-

ing for or loading and unloading the bus include: Get to the school bus stop five minutes early, so you

won't have to run across the road to catch the bus. When waiting for the bus, stay away from traffic. Line up at least five giant steps away from the curb or

the roadway to wait for the bus. Never run after the school bus if it has already left the

Never push when getting on or off the school bus.

"Student safety at school bus stops and in school zones is of the utmost importance and requires the undivided attention of all motorists," said Department of Education Secretary Eric Hagarty. "Local school districts work hard to identify the safest locations possible for school bus stops and to train their staff. But to ensure that students remain safe, we urge all drivers to watch for the flashing lights of school buses and always stop when students are getting on and off."

#### **Drive Through Narcan Distributions** at The Miller Center in December Community Health and Wellness at Evangelical Com-

munity Hospital is offering free Narcan distribution events at the rear entrance of The Miller Center, 112 North 15 Street, Lewisburg, from 4-6 pm on the follow-• Thursday, December 8, 2022

• Tuesday, December 20, 2022

• Thursday, December 29, 2022

about who has the potential to overdose through opioid use. The Narcan will be distributed with no questions asked and a short hands-on demonstration will be given to recipients on how to administer it to someone in need.

The distribution will be anonymous. Any questions can be directed to Community Health and Wellness at 570-768-3200.

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# Union County Plan Being Updated It is time for Union County to update its comprehensive

The purpose of the plan is to examine a variety of issues that touch the lives of county residents on a daily basis such as broadband connectivity, economic development, energy resources, housing, land use, natural resources, transportation, sewer, water and many others. The goal of the planning process is to identify actions that can be taken to overcome challenges that our communities are facing today or will be in the near future in order to maintain and strengthen Union County's economy, family-friendly culture and quality of life.

"As elected officials we know that our residents care about the county and have concerns or opinions about what direction we should be headed in terms of our policies, programs and services" said Union County Commissioner Chairman Jeff Reber. "But we also know how difficult it is to make sure everyone's voices are heard and not just a few people", added Reber.

Commissioner Stacy Richards said the comprehensive plan serves as a blueprint for the future and the county wants to learn about ideas the citizens have, no matter how big or small. "All Union County households should have received a postcard about our survey. Please take a few minutes to go online and complete the survey. It's an easy way to share your thoughts and it will help us shape the county's future", added Richards.

As a commissioner that was present during the development of the existing plan, Cultivating Community: A Plan for Union County's Future, Preston Boop said "this is a chance for you to have a say in the direction Union County takes in the coming years. I would encourage you to get involved. If you don't participate then someone else will decide for you and you may not like the results.' Boop added that it is important to have a plan because local government has limited resources and needs to be smart about its investments in projects and services. Whether you are a lifelong resident of the county or

new to the area the plan will likely include a topic that interests you. In addition to the online survey the county Planning & Economic Development Department will also be holding public meetings in the future and will provide an online forum for viewing information and For more information about the comprehensive plan

update residents can visit the county website at www. unioncountyplan.org to take the survey and sign up for notifications about upcoming public involvement opportunities and general updates about the planning process.

#### Mechanicsburg Man Receives Jail for Child Endangerment District Attorney Mike Piecuch (pronounced "pea-

YET-sue") has announced the sentencing of Michael B. Damgaard, age 34, formerly of Mechanicsburg. Senior Judge Dudley Anderson accepted Damgaard's pleas to felony endangering welfare of a child, felony criminal use of a communications facility, and misdemeanor simple assault. Judge Anderson imposed a total sentence of 9 to 23 1/2 months in jail to be followed by 7 years of After meeting online, Damgaard drove from his home

to Snyder County multiple times in May and June 2020 to have sexual relations with the victim, a minor female. This occurred at a local motel and in the woods near the victim's home. Damgaard also assaulted the girl's mother when confronted coming out of the woods with the girl. The victim reported that Damgaard had threatened her in order to coerce her into performing sexual acts Damgaard, who had been out on bail, was taken im-

mediately into custody after being sentenced. Sexual offender conditions of supervision will apply. The Defendant must submit to a psycho-sexual evaluation before being paroled, and must comply with any treatment recommendations. He cannot have contact with any minors other than family members. His digital communications/social media will be subject to monitoring by the probation department. D.A. Piecuch said, "I'm grateful that the victim's cour-

age exposed Damgaard's crimes. People who sexually exploit children often target the most vulnerable children by design. These victims are the least likely to report these crimes, and when they do report, the trauma they've suffered makes it difficult to face their perpetrator in court. Withstanding the ordeal of cross-examination by the defense can be too much for some victims, and understandably so. This is what makes these types of cases so challenging to prosecute."

D.A. Piecuch added: "The mental and emotional tor-

ment the victim in this case has suffered is beyond description, and preventing her re-victimization on the witness stand was paramount. This plea agreement had three other basic goals: to hold the defendant publicly accountable, to punish his crimes with jail time, and to require long-term court supervision once he's released. Because of the victim's courage and

resilience, these goals were achieved."

### Litter Hawk Youth Award Program Combines Fun and Litter Awareness

program for students in Kindergarten through 6th Grade, who complete a designated project specific to their grade level. Kids can participate individually or as part of a lesson initiated by schools, home-schools, scout troops, 4-H clubs, environmental clubs or other organized groups.

The Litter Hawk Youth Award Program is a way for kids to share their hope, optimism and concerns about litter and inspire others to care for their communities through art, words or video. In response to Pennsylvania's new anti-littering education campaign, PA Fights Dirty: Every Litter Bit Matters, the theme is: Show Us How Every Litter Bit Matters to You. Proj-

Grades Kindergarten through 4 - Poster Grades 5 and 6 – Essay or video

Two entries will be selected as winners in each grade level. First place will receive a \$50 gift card. First runner-up will receive \$25 gift card. All participants will be recognized with certificates. The deadline to participate is January 31. Winners will be announced in April in time for Earth Day celebrations.

The Wolf Administration released its Litter Action Plan in 2021 in response to Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful's 2019 Litter Research Study which found Pennsylvania has more than 500 million pieces of litter or its roadways. As part of the plan, the state launched a public awareness campaign, PA Fights Dirty: Every Litter Bit Matters, this summer. The campaign calls upon Pennsylvanians to ensure every piece of their trash, regardless of size, is disposed of properly.

"We wanted to help bring awareness to the state's new anti-littering campaign by incorporating it into this years' Litter Hawk theme and have students show us and tell us how every piece of trash matters when keeping our neighborhoods clean and beautiful! Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful believes that engaging youth in protecting the environment not only creates a direct impact on changing behaviors and attitudes, but also influences their friends and families," said Shannon Reiter, President of Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful We are all responsible for keeping our communities clean and beautiful. This program provides a fun and easy way for students to illustrate respect for the en vironment and their community."

The Litter Hawk Youth Award program was created with funding provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. For more information, downloadable promotional posters and an online entry form, visit https://www.keeppabeautiful.org/ grants-awards/awards/litter-hawk/. Additional questions can be answered by Michelle Dunn at mdunn@ keeppabeautiful.org or 877-772-3673 ext. 113.

#### Property Tax/Rent Rebate Appointments Union-Snyder Agency On Agency

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John Gordner and Representative Lynda Schlegel-Culver, Upper Augusta Township received a \$468,890 Flood Mitigation grant from the Commonwealth Financing Authority to address flash flooding. The Degen-Authority (\$22,750), and the North Shore Railroad (\$22,750), together contributed \$90,500 in matching funding.

The Upper Augusta Flood Mitigation Project addresses flash flooding that significantly impacts the 24 residents and three businesses near the intersection of Routes 890 and 61 just south of Sunbury, as well as travelers on both routes which occurred regularly during times of rainfall inundation of 3.5" or more in 12 hours or less. During times of inundation, debris jams under the Route 61 and North Shore Rail line bridges, exacerbated flooding and threatened structural damage to the bridge. Ice jams occur less frequently but are more hazardous since conditions can change in seconds.

The work includes stream corridor restoration, access for debris removal, vegetation management, and sediment and erosion control in the project area from the intersection of Routes 890 and 61 to the ponds approximately 1.25 miles upstream. The decontrol, elimination of debris and log jams at the bridge sites, and improved water qual-

Upper Augusta Township and the approximately 9,000 residents whose water needs are served by the Sunbury Municipal authority will be the primary municipal beneficiaries of the project. A core group of stakeholders including SEDA-COG Joint Rail Authority, North Shore Railroad, Up-

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With help from the offices of Senator per Augusta Township, Northumberland n Gordner and Representative Lynda County Conservation District, PennDOT, DEP, and the Anthracite Outdoor Adventure Area (AOAA)], met three times to discuss problems and solutions.

"Helping to make this grant possible was stein Foundation (\$25,000), Upper Augusta done out of necessity and in support of town-Township (\$20,000), SEDA-COG Joint Rail ship residents whose thoughts no doubt turn to possible flooding and the inconveniences it causes as soon as the first drops of precipitation fall," Rep. Culver said. "The fact that more than 9,000 people will see their quality of life improve when this project is complete speaks to the magnitude of this issue and the desperate need to fix the problem.'

Flooding and ice jams threaten the water treatment plant owned and managed by the

Sunbury Municipal Authority.

Grant scope includes surveying the complete project area using Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR), preliminary engineering design of all phases, and final design and construction and debris removal. Construction and debris removal activities include the hand removal of small woody debris, using heavy equipment positioned on the creek bank to remove large debris, removing all debris from the floodplain, building multi-log vane deflectors, stabilizing the stream bank with rip rap, and tree removal. Also included are creating access paths to sired result of these activities will be flood the creek across private property and then restoring the paths to their original condition. Building log vane deflectors and placing rip rap are proven to be non-invasive, and cost-effective.

"I am pleased that another flood mitigation project will be undertaken in our region. While we can't control the weather, it is important to take measures to reduce the impact of high waters on our residents and communities," said Sen. Gordner.

In a few years, Upper Augusta Township will call stakeholders together to assess the work that has been completed, determine if Phase 2 work is needed, and identify sources if additional funding is needed. Phase 2 work includes activities in the vicinity of the North Shore Railroad. The Township has been in contact with Penn Dot who has agreed to perform any work it determines necessary along its bridge.

Linda Sterling, a SEDA-COG Program Analyst within the Community Development program who assisted in making this project a reality, said, "This has been a tremendously rewarding project. So many people worked together to make this project happen. Grant funding for the project

would not have been possible without Sen. Gordner, Rep. Culver, state agencies DEP, and PennDot. All stakeholders came the table engaged, helpful, cooperative. and The finished project not only meets all requirements but is also aesthetically pleasing and a real asset to both the safety and the beauty of Shamokin Creek in the project area."

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# Penn View Christmas Musical

Penn View Bible Institute & Christian Academy will host their 15th Annual Christmas Musical on December 8-10 The Christmas Musical has grown into one of the highlights of the holiday season. This year's theme is Messiah's Promise and truly encapsulates what the season is all about.

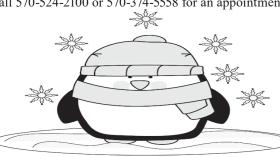
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The Christmas Musical will be held at 7 pm on December 8-10 in the G.I. Straub Memorial Tabernacle. Admission is free but tickets are required. To make reservation, register online or call 570-837-1855. Arrive early to claim your seat.

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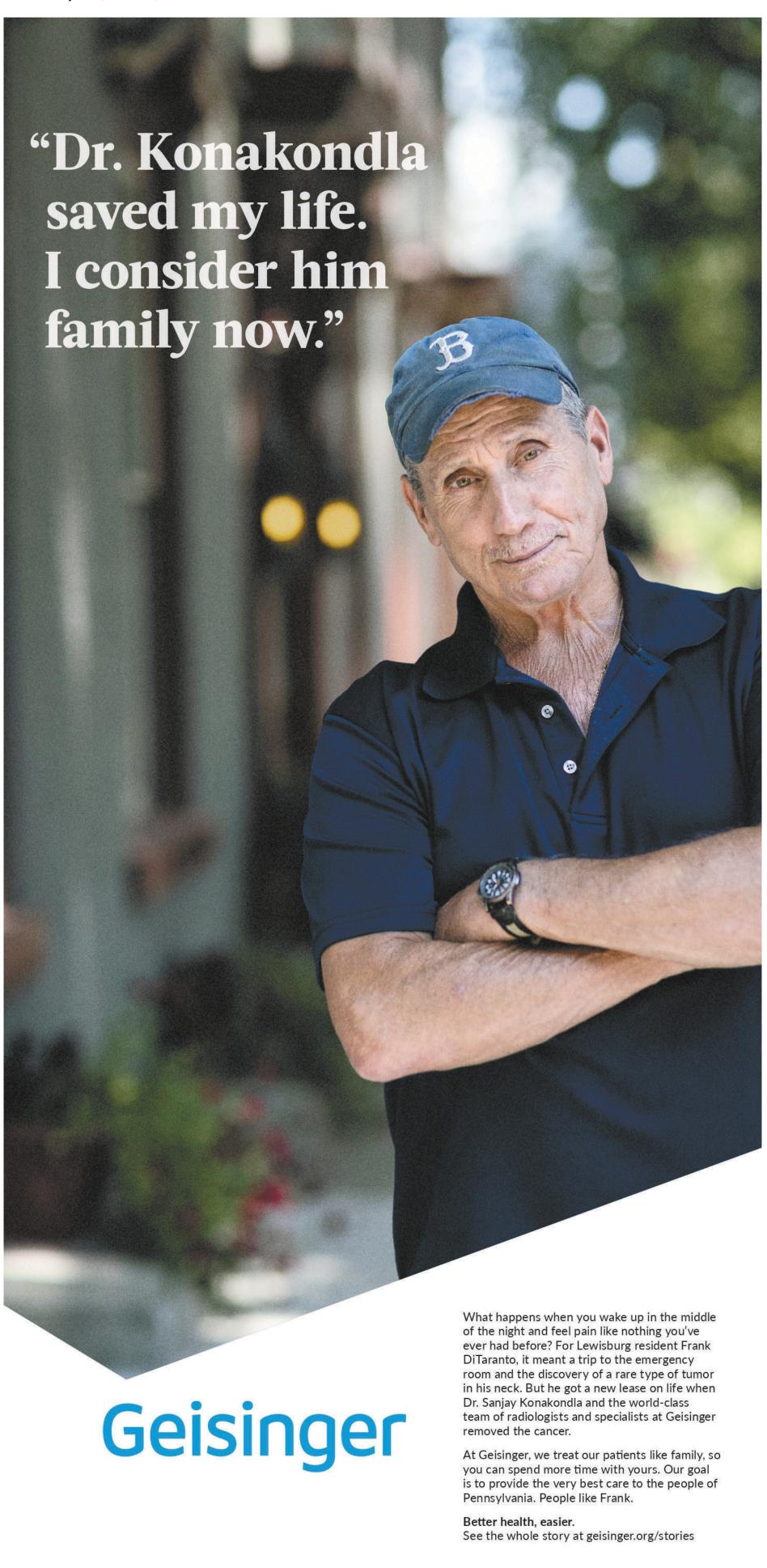
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It's one thing to dream of winning the lottery. It's another to base your entire financial future on the long odds of it actually happening.

The wiser course is to seek out an investment offering reliable, consistent returns.

Something that's as stable as, let's say, Pennsylvania deer hunting. Over the long term, hunters here take, on a per square mile basis, more deer than their counterparts almost anywhere in the country. That's how things have long been. It's how they

Soon, hunters will have the opportunity to build on that trend again. Pennsylvania's statewide firearms deer season is set to begin. It kicked off on Saturday, Nov. 26, continues on Sunday, Nov. 27, and runs through Dec. 10. Hunting is closed only on Sunday, Dec. 4.

What hunters will encounter is, by all indications, a deer herd that's doing just fine.

David Stainbrook, Deer and Elk Management Section Supervisor for the Game Commission, said one way to measure trends is to look at the buck harvest per square mile. That's a good general barometer of deer population abundance.

According to the National Deer Association, in the 10 hunting seasons between 2011 and 2020, Pennsylvania ranked second in the nation for buck harvest per square mile three times, third twice, fourth three times and fifth twice. Buck harvests over the decade averaged 3.2 per square mile, right in keeping with last year's take. Of course, the buck harvest per square mile varies between

individual Wildlife Management Units (WMUs), with some producing more than others. WMU 2D, for example, produced 4.9 bucks per square mile each season over the last three, on average. That was tops in Pennsylvania. Seven other WMUs also averaged at least four bucks per square mile over that time, though: 1B (4.7), 4E (4.6), 2E (4.4), 3C (4.3), 2B (4.1), 2A (4.0)

Pennsylvania's antlerless deer harvest, meanwhile, broken down on a per-square-mile-basis, also annually ranks among the best in the country. For those who want to experience that, antlerless licenses remain available in a few WMUs, as do Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) tags in places.

Add it all up and hunters can find deer – bucks and antlerless deer both - this fall across Pennsylvania, provided they're willing to work for them.

"Success in harvesting deer starts with scouting and knowing the land," Stainbrook said. "But patience and putting in time are important, too. Persistence matters, as one additional day hunting can make the difference between a successful season and an unsuccessful one.

A flexible season designed around when many people are off work – the weekend after Thanksgiving – provides the chance for hunters to get out just that way, all while making memories with family and friends.

"Pennsylvania's firearms deer season draws more than 600,000 hunters to Penn's Woods every year and it's not hard to see why," said Game Commission Executive Director Bryan Burhans. "A productive deer herd that, thanks to antler point restrictions, includes a high proportion of adult bucks, spread out across the Commonwealth, together with a season that's as user friendly as any we've offered, set the stage for an exciting time. I can't wait.

#### Field conditions

Hunt where the foods favored by wildlife are most abundant and you just might get to fill a tag. Don't and you may find yourself doing little more than enjoying the scenery.

That could be truer than ever for hunters this season

Hard mast – specifically acorns – are very sporadic this year. Paul Weiss, Chief of the Game Commission's Forestry Division, said multiple regions of the state report poor acorn crops this fall, something that can be blamed on consecutive years of heavy spongy moth defoliation coupled with drought conditions in 2022.

That's not to say all is lost.

There are still pockets of moderate red oak acorn production, Weiss said, especially on State Game Lands sprayed to control spongy moths over the past two years. Red oak acorns take two years to mature, so stands that were sprayed last year are producing acorns now even if they were damaged this past spring.

Likewise, white and chestnut oak acorn crops are down compared to the bumper crop seen last year in areas not impacted by spongy moths. So much like the deer, hunters will have to search a bit to find those places where they're most plentiful. There aren't many such spots this fall, but there are enough in some areas to make looking for them worthwhile.

Hickory nuts, by comparison, are fairly consistent this year and can be found in sufficient supply.

As for soft mast, droughty weather also impacted it across much of the state. Still, Weiss said there are pretty good crabapple, hawthorn, and grape crops in most places, if not in the same abundance as last year.

In all cases, deer usually make a mess wherever they eat, so it shouldn't be hard to sort out whether they're using an area. Look for raked up leaves, droppings and partially eaten mast for confirmation.

Then, when setting up a hunting stand, use the prevailing

wind to your advantage. It should blow from where you expect to see deer to your location.

Finally, dress for the weather and sit tight. There will be other hunters out there, too, some sitting, others still-hunting or driving for deer in groups. They might chase deer your way.

Licenses

Hunters are permitted to harvest one antlered deer with a valid general hunting license, which costs \$20.97 for adult residents and \$101.97 for adult nonresidents.

To take an antlerless deer, a hunter must possess either a valid antlerless deer license or valid Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) permit. A mentored hunter under the age of 7 cannot apply for their own antlerless license or DMAP permit but can harvest an antlerless deer if an antlerless license or DMAP permit is transferred to them by a mentor at the time of harvest.

Antlerless deer licenses can be used anywhere within the Wildlife Management Unit (WMU) for which they're issued.

A DMAP permit can be used only on the specific property for which it is issued.

Some DMAP permits might remain available on private and public properties throughout the state. Visit the Game Commission's website to learn more about where they are available. Mentored hunting permits, meanwhile, are available to hunt-

ers of all ages. Mentored hunters ages 7 and older receive an antlered deer harvest tag with their permit. Those under 7 must receive deer harvest tags from their mentors. A mentor can transfer an antlered deer harvest tag and an antlerless license and/or DMAP permit to a mentored hunter under 7.

Mentored hunters ages 7 and older can apply for one antlerless deer license. They can also apply for DMAP permits, following the same regulations as adults.

Mentored hunting permit fees are \$2.97 for residents and nonresidents under 12; \$6.97 for residents 12 to 16; \$41.97 for nonresidents 12 to 16; \$20.97 for residents 17 and older; and \$101.97 for nonresidents 17 and older. Hunters 12 or older who are certified through the Game Com-

mission's Hunter-Trapper Education program qualify to purchase general hunting licenses, which provide more privileges. Certified hunters 12 to 16 can obtain junior licenses, the least expensive of which cost \$6.97 for residents and \$41.97 for non-Those holding senior lifetime licenses are reminded they

must obtain a new antlered deer harvest tag each year, free of charge, to participate in the season.

General hunting licenses can be purchased online, but as the season nears, hunters might find it better to purchase licenses in person. Hunters can carry a digital version of their general license afield, but still need their paper harvest tags. Deer licenses purchased online are mailed, meaning those harvest tags might not arrive in time if purchased too close to the start

Hunters are reminded the field possession of expired licenses or tags, or another hunter's licenses or tags, is unlawful.

Deer season regulations

Rules regarding the number of points a legal buck must have on one antler vary by WMU. In most WMUs, a buck with three points to a side, counting the brow tine, is legal. But in WMUs 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B and 2D, a buck must have three points not counting the brow tine. Junior license holders, mentored youth, disabled hunters with

a permit to use a vehicle, and resident active duty U.S. Armed Services personnel, can harvest antlered deer with two or more points on one antler, or a spike three or more inches in length. For a complete breakdown of antler restrictions, WMU

boundaries and other regulations, consult the 2022-23 Pennsylvania Hunting & Trapping Digest, which is provided to hunters at the time they purchase their licenses and available online at the Game Commission's website, www.pgc.pa.gov. Deer hunters everywhere statewide, meanwhile, must wear at

all times a minimum of 250 square inches of fluorescent orange material on their head, chest and back combined, visible from 360 degrees, during the firearms deer season. An orange hat and vest will satisfy the requirement. Nonhunters who might be afield during deer season and other

hunting seasons should consider wearing orange, as well. And on state game lands between Nov. 15 and Dec. 15, nonhunters are required to meet the 250-square-inch fluorescent orange Hunters who harvest a deer are required to affix a valid tag

to the ear – not an antler – before the deer is moved. Hunters – especially those considering having their deer mounted – can use a large safety pin to attach the tag, as it won't damage the ear. The tag must be filled out with a ballpoint pen and notched or cut with the correct date of harvest. Hunters must then report their harvest to the Game Commis

sion within 10 days. Harvests can be reported online at www. huntfish.pa.gov, by calling 1-800-838-4431 or by mailing in the postage-paid cards that are provided in the digest.

Mentored youth hunters are required to report deer harvests within five days. And hunters with DMAP permits must report on their hunting success within 10 days of the last possible date of harvest, regardless of whether they harvest deer.

#### Hunt safely from tree stands As the use of tree stands has grown in popularity, so, too,

have incidences of injuries

resulting from tree stand falls and accidents. With that in mind, wearing a

full-body harness is essential to staying safe when using a tree stand. But a harness can prevent falls to the ground only if it is connected to the

"That means you must wear your harness, and be sure it's connected to the tree, at all times you're in the stand, as well as when you're getting into and out of the stand, or climbing or descending trees," explained A.J. Garcia, the Game Commission's hunter-education administrator.

Consult the manufacturer's instructions to ensure proper installation and inspect your stand, harness and safety straps, ropes and lines before A hunter using a climbing

stand should tie-in the safety rope or strap that pairs with the harness before beginning to climb. Consult the manufacturer's

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With a climbing tree stand, you'll want to move the safety rope or strap up the tree first, then tighten it, each time before moving the platform up the tree. If the rope is at or slightly above eye-level as you stand on the platform, you should have plenty of room to

raise the platform to a higher

seat platform are tied together with a length of rope to ensure that the foot platform does not fall below your reach.

"Make sure you have proper contact with the stand and tree

every time you move," emphasized Garcia. It takes only a little longer to climb with a rope, and if the stand fails due to breakage or a pin pulling out of the climbing band, or if a fall occurs because slippage or loss of balance, the harness and rope will prevent falling to the ground.

With pre-installed hang-on stands – and especially ladder stands – the most-practical way to stay connected to the tree is through a safety line, commonly referred to by the brand name Lifeline, that hangs to the ground from above the platform.

Because the safety line is installed above the platform, the

tree must be climbed first to install one, but other safety ropes

or straps, along with your harness, can be used for installation.

When installing a safety line at a hang-on stand, a linemen's style belt can be worn while ascending the tree. A linemen's belt might not be an option for many ladder stands, but a separate ladder and linemen's belt could be used to install the safety line before the ladder stand is installed. It's also wise to carry a Suspension Relief Strap (SRS). In the event of a fall, this strap – attached left and right at the waist will allow you to stand in the strap, thereby relieving pressure from your harness on the lower extremities. Practice with a partner at ground level using the SRS with your fall arrest sys-

can lead to a heart attack. When using a ladder stand, climbing stick or tree steps, make sure to maintain three points of contact (two hands and one foot, or two feet and one hand) with each step.

tem and practice self-recovery by getting back into your stand

If you don't have an SRS, keep your legs moving to avoid blood

pooling in the lower legs. Hanging motionless in your harness

The important points are to always take your time and be safe when using stands. Always put on your safety harness while you're still on the ground, and keep it connected to the tree at all times until you're back on the ground.

Finally, always carry an easy-to-reach signaling device, such as a cell phone, whistle or emergency beacon, that will work in the location you hunt.

Extended bear season

As was the case last year, hunters can harvest a black bear in some WMUs starting throughout the opening week of deer season in some WMUs.

The extended bear season runs Nov. 26-Dec. 3 in WMUs 1B. 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E and 5A. It runs Nov 26-Dec. 10 in WMUs 2B, 5B, 5C and 5D. To participate in the extended bear season, a hunter needs a

general hunting license, as well as a bear license. In periods where the extended bear season overlaps portions of the firearms deer season, properly licensed hunters may also harvest

Fluorescent orange requirements for the extended bear season and firearms deer season are identical.

**Chronic Wasting Disease** 

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) is an always-fatal disease that is a threat to deer and elk in Pennsylvania. There is no vaccine or cure for CWD. It's spread by deer-to-deer contact and through the environment.

Since the discovery of the disease in Pennsylvania a decade ago, the fight to slow the spread of CWD continues across the commonwealth. So hunters who harvest deer within any of the state's Disease Management Areas (DMAs) or its Established Area (EA) must comply with special rules.

There are six DMAs across the state, one of them – DMA 7 new this hunting season. Created in April after the detection of a CWD-positive deer at a captive facility in Lycoming County, it takes in portions of Lycoming, Northumberland, Montour, Columbia and Sullivan counties.

The boundaries of a few other DMAs, meanwhile, have changed since last season, with the most recent of those impacting DMA 2 in southcentral Pennsylvania.

Because some of those changes became necessary after publication of the Hunting & Trapping Digest that all hunters get with their license, hunters are advised to visit the Game Commission's website at www.pgc.pa.gov to familiarize themselves with DMA boundary lines.

The EA, meanwhile, is within DMA 2 and includes portions of Bedford, Blair, Fulton, and Huntingdon counties. Approximately 90% of all CWD detections in the state have come from

As a reminder, within a DMA and the EA, it's illegal within a DMA and the EA to remove any cervid high-risk parts; use or possess cervid urine-based attractants; directly or indirectly feed wild, free-ranging deer; and rehabilitate wild, free-ranging cervids.

High-risk parts include: the head (including brain, tonsils, eyes and any lymph nodes); spinal cord/backbone; spleen; skull plate with attached antlers, if visible brain or spinal cord tissue is present; cape, if visible brain or spinal cord tissue is present; upper canine teeth, if root structure or other soft tissue is present; any object or article containing visible brain or spinal cord

tissue; unfinished taxidermy mounts; and brain-tanned hides. The parts-movement ban means hunters in a DMA and the EA must determine in advance what they'll do with any deer they harvest. They can take them to a processor within the DMA/ EA or to one included on a Game Commission-approved list for that particular DMA/EA, as those processors agree to properly dispose of the high-risk parts. Hunters can also dispose of highrisk parts within the DMA/EA in trash destined for a landfill. Or, while not preferred, they can quarter the animal and leave

the high-risk parts at the kill site (preferably buried). The meat, antlers (free of brain material) and other low-risk parts then can be transported outside the DMA and the EA.

Hunters getting taxidermy mounts must likewise take their deer to a taxidermist within the DMA, the EA or on the Game Commission list. The processor and taxidermist list is available at the Game Commission website. Click on "Wildlife," then Wildlife Health," then "Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD)."

There, too, hunters will find the locations of head drop-off bins within DMAs and the EA. Hunters can deposit deer heads minus any antlers, double-bagged and with a legible harvest tag attached -there and have them tested for CWD for free. Test results can be obtained by calling the CWD hotline (1-833-IN-FOCWD) or visiting the CWD Results lookup page at https:// pgcdatacollection.pa.gov/CWDResultsLookup.

For those who wish to keep their deer head but still get it tested, you can try your hand at sampling it yourself using this instruction video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VnEdDmfY-i4. Hunters can also explore opportunities to get Deer Manage-

ment Assistance Program (DMAP) permits, which allow them to take up to two additional antlerless deer in areas where increased CWD surveillance is needed. Some permits may still remain. Hunters can check availability at www.pgc.pa.gov/ CWD. Click on "CWD DMAP Area Look Up." Although there is no known case of it being transmitted to

humans, the Game Commission and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend people do not consume meat from deer that test positive for CWD. The Game Commission manages wildlife for and in cooperation with the public. Because much is still unknown about CWD, it is important to do all we can to limit exposure of all species (including people) to this known pathogen. Special Regulations Areas

Deer hunters in most of the state's Special Regulations Areas

may use straight-walled cartridges in addition to other lawful ammunition, but buckshot no longer is permitted, except where authorized under special hunt conditions on state park properties (Ridley Creek and Tyler State Parks). That change went into effect last year, but not until September.

As a result, Game Wardens then focused on educating hunters about the new rule, rather than strictly enforcing the regulation. That will not necessarily be the case this year.

tions Areas is provided in the 2022-23 Hunting & Trapping Digest. Hunters should check it to remain up-to-date.

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### Library a Part of The Christkindl Tradition



Herr Memorial Library in Mifflinburg along with the Public Library for Union County in Lewisburg, and The West End Library in Laurelton make up the Union County Library System.

Set in the heart of the Christkindl Market, the Herr Memorial Library has naturally been a part of the town's yearly holiday tradition.

For over 10 years the library has participated in the Mifflinburg's annual German Christmas market. "In the past, we had a small coffee house inside in the Discover room and provided a small, but warm, place to stop by for coffee and cookies," said Pam Steele fundraising coordinator for the library.

Four years ago, the library was offered an outdoor hut. "We approached the Christkindl committee to see if there were any particular food items needed at the market," said Steele. "They replied that in prior years there was a booth selling haluski and it had been missing from the market for a few years." The library fundraising committee decided to put on their chef hats and create the perfect holiday haluski to sell as a fundraiser for the li-

"The ingredients are butter, onions, noodles and cab-bage, both fresh and seasoned," said Steele. "We trialed a few different variations of that and had a taste testing session at a board meeting where the final recipe was de-

Visitors at the market can purchase a warm serving of haluski for \$5 or take home a quart of it for \$10. Proceeds benefit the Herr Memorial Library.

"We are delighted to be a part of the Christkindl market, celebrating the joy of the holiday season with our wonderful community that has been so abundantly supportive of us over the years," said Library Director Corrie Post. "The Herr Memorial Library has been a vital part of the Mifflinburg community for over 70 years. Our extensive collection of books, media and other materials, combined with the many programming opportunities available make the library a perfect destination for information, literacy and lifelong learning.'

### Use the Free 511PA Tool to Check Road Conditions

With winter weather soon to be here, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) encourages motorists to "Know Before You Go" by checking conditions on more than 40,000 roadway miles by visiting www.511PA.com. "511PA provides motorists the tools they need to

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### Funding Secured for New Berlin Police Department Radio System



Senator Gene Yaw (R-23) recently traveled to New Berlin Borough, Union County to speak with Chief of Police Joshua Dreisbach (pictured left) and Borough Secretary and Treasurer Rebecca Witmer (not pictured) after the Borough secured a \$25,000 state investment to upgrade their police radio system.

State Sen. Gene Yaw (R-23) recently announced a \$25,000 state investment for the Borough of New Berlin, Union County. The grant was used to upgrade the radios for the Borough's Police Department.

'This state investment will assist New Berlin in meeting the public safety needs of the community," Sen. Yaw said. "It's an instru-mental component of their emergency response efforts, and I was happy to advocate on their behalf.'

The grant covered the purchase, installation, and programming for two APX 4500 Motorola vehicle and mobile units and four APX 900 portable units. The new units have improved efficiency, better wireless connectivity and allows for interoperability among other P25compliant organizations and first responders. In addition to the full grant amount, additional costs incurred were covered by the Borough. The New Berlin Borough and New Ber-

lin Police Department sincerely thank Senator Yaw for his support of municipal law enforcement," said Rebecca Witmer, Borough Secretary and Treasurer. "Senator Yaw was instrumental in helping secure this grant for communication equipment, which will help provide better law enforcement services to our small community and surrounding areas. We are proud to have a Senator who goes above and beyond to help local, small com-

### Evangelical Hospital's New Electronic Health Record

Evangelical Community Hospital will be transitioning to one, integrated platform for its electronic health record (EHR). The Hospital will go-live with the new system, Epic, on December 4, 2022. This strategic move by the Hospital modernizes the patient process creating a seamless, safe, and more consistent healthcare delivery system for all patients in the community.

Epic is a leading developer of comprehensive healthcare software and is used by numerous academic medical centers around the world. The transition to Epic will make way for quality improvements, best-in-class patient experiences, and efficient intake of new patients as well as the moving of existing patients to where they need to be to receive the best possible care in a timely manner.

'The platform takes into consideration all of the facets related to patient care and places them into one system that makes seeing all information in one place possible," said Dale Moyer, Vice President of Information Systems at Evangelical. "For our clinical staff this means no longer logging out of one system into another to get all the information they need about the patient. For our patients it means better access to their own information and smoother sharing of vital medical data and test/imaging results with providers outside of the Evangelical system ior seamiess care experiences.

During the go-live, patients can be assured that Evangelical will continue to deliver patient care with the same excellent standards for which it is known. Patient safety and well-being remain the Hospital's main priority. Care teams will continue to have full access to existing patient data during the change for the best possible care.

"We owe it to our patients as a community hospital to be forward thinking about what the needs are now, but also about what they will be in the future," said Kendra Aucker, President and CEO of Evangelical.

The implementation of Epic includes a switch to Epic's patient portal, MyChart. Patients will be able to access their medical records, see lab results, talk to their care team, and request prescription refills, among other functions. Looking ahead, moving to Epic is the next step in making it possible for patients to schedule appointments through the patient portal, something that will come in the next phase of implementation.

For patients using the current Follow My Health patient portal at Evangelical will need to transition to the MyChart patient portal. Patients will have no access to Follow My Health once

Epic is live on December 4, 2022. Information will be provided on how to switch to MyChart on the Hospital's website as well as at the Hospital and Evangelical-related physician offices.

The transition to Epic will take place at the Hospital and all primary and specialty care offices associated with Evangelical. For more information on the transition to Epic, including signing up for MyChart after December 4, 2022, visit www.Evan-Hospital.com.

# Flashback



Originally published in The Post on July 26, 1979 ONLY 51 ¢ FOR GAS, but if you look close you will see that's for a half gallon on this pump, one of many in Snyder County which had to be changed when gas prices

It wasn't planned, but this photo also shows the Ubiquitous Post Photographer, who takes every U.P.P Photo.

## The Scratching Post Cat Café in Lewisburg Celebrates 5th Anniversary

Five years ago, two friends had a crazy idea to take their love of felines and open one of Pennsylvania's first rural cat cafes. The café was opened under the nonprofit Cherished Cats Rescue Alliance, an organization focused on helping cats in need. Through that organization, The Scratching Post Cat Café opened in downtown Lewisburg, and has become a fixture for locals and visitors ever since. To celebrate their 5-year anniversary, The Scratching Post will be hosting an open house celebration during Lewisburg's Late Shoppers Night, Friday, December 2, at their location at 230 Market St. in Lewisburg.

"It is amazing to think it's been five years," Angela Brouse, cofounder of The Scratching Post, noted. "The outpouring of support from the community was incredible, right from the start. You can see that in the fact that the cafe is run completely through the work of volunteers - people who share our love of animals, want to see them be healthy and well, find them loving forever homes, and to help control the pet population through responsible spaying and neutering.

Café Co-owner and Cherished Cats Rescue Alliance President and Founder, Sarah Kline adds "Most businesses don't survive their first five years. The fact that we were able to do it as a non-profit, operated entirely by volunteers, during a pandemic, amazes me. We definitely had to work hard and come up with alternative plans these last few years, but we feel we've come out of this

stronger and better than we were.' Over the past five years, Cherished Cats has built partnerships with groups at Bucknell and Susquehanna universities, and has trained more than 100 volunteers each year. Thanks to their efforts, more than 1,800 cats have been saved from lives on their streets and been adopted approximately 600 of them from the café, and the rest straight from the rescue.

"That's the best part of this work, seeing the excitement and joy on their faces when a family adopts a cat, and knowing that the cat will now be well cared for and have a warm place to sleep," said Kline. "All we wanted was to save cats from sleeping out in the cold. It's amazing to

see how far we've come. Additionally, Cherished Cats has a robust trap-neuterrelease program, commonly called TNR, that works to humanely trap stray or feral cats and sterilize them to help control the population. Since its founding, Cher-

ished Cats has helped to fund and TNR nearly 1,350 cats. "We have amazing volunteers, fosters and donors who help us with our work. We couldn't do any of this without

their partnership," Brouse commented.

What's next for Cherished Cats and the Scratching Post? "We just want to be able to keep going and keep saving lives" said Kline. "Our hope is that five years from now our numbers will actually decrease, because that means we are making a dent in the overpopulation of cats and kittens in our community. They don't have a voice, so we need to be their voice and keep advocating

The Scratching Post Cat Café is open Thursday-Sunday from 12-5 pm. Admission is \$5/person and the cost helps to pay the rent and keep the lights on. Visitors must be age 5 or older. Stop by on Late Night Shoppers night on December 2nd from 5-9 pm to help to celebrate their an-

To contribute to Cherished Cats or for more information about the Scratching Post, visit cherishedcats.org.

### Hats, Gloves & Scarves Collection

The Ladies Auxiliary of Kratzerville Volunteer Fire Company is collecting new hats, gloves, and scarves as a Christmas outreach. New items should be brought in and dropped off. They will be placed on a tree throughout December. All donations will be given to Children and Youth, the Sunbury Homeless Shelter, and Geisinger Children's Hospital. The fire company is located at 62 Firehall Road in Selinsgrove.





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