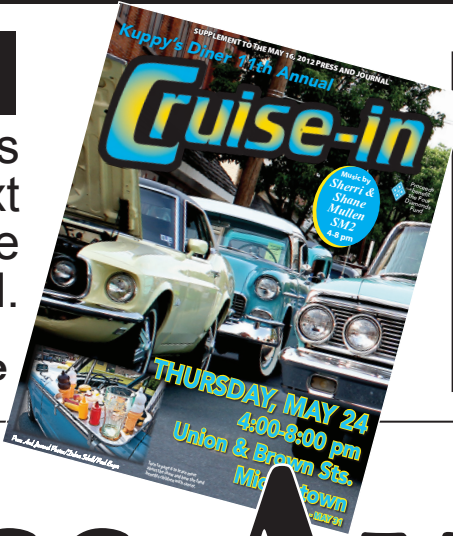


Cruise Control

Kuppy's annual Cruise-in brings automotive muscle to town next week, and raises money for the Four Diamonds Fund.

Special section inside



Undefeated

MAMS Varsity and JV girls' soccer teams turn in stellar seasons on the field.

Page B1

PRESS AND JOURNAL

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2012

12 PAGES

VOLUME 122 - NO. 20

75 CENTS

pressandjournal.com

LISTEN **Sound Off Audio**

SUBMIT **Photos & Events**

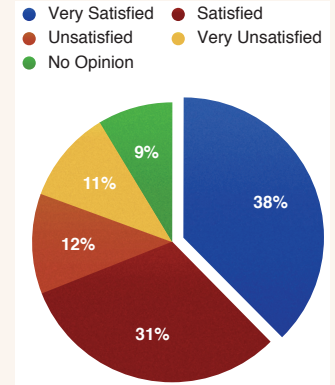
TO: SEARCH **Back Issues**

SEE **More Photos**

WATCH **Videos**

Your Opinions

from www.pressandjournal.com.
Visit our website to cast your vote.



How satisfied are you with
dog law enforcement in
your community?

Results are based on random responses and
are not scientific.



Busted: Burglars 'fess up on phone

Two Harrisburg men admitted on a cellphone voicemail they broke into a Middletown woman's home and stole a laptop computer, according to police.

The men called the victim a second time and confessed again, this time while two police investigators who were interviewing the alleged victim, listened in.

Javier R. Wollery, 19, and Nevin Betz, were charged with burglary, theft by unlawful taking, and criminal trespass.

According to an affidavit of probable cause filed with District Judge David Judy on April 30, a woman who lives in the 100 block of Mill Street told police she returned home around 11 p.m. April 27 and noticed someone had broken into her home.

The woman said that she knew who did it because a former friend left a voicemail on her cell phone, the report said.

"The message, allegedly from Nevin Betz, stated that the two broke in and took the computer," police said.

While police were speaking to the woman, Betz called her phone. She put the phone on speaker and police listened as the two men admitted they had been smoking marijuana and broke into her home and took the computer.

A preliminary hearing for Wollery and Betz was scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on May 17 in Judy's office.

— Debra Schell



County finds West Nile mosquitoes in Middletown

By Garry Lenton
Press And Journal Staff

Some mosquitoes trapped near Middletown's waste water treatment plant were infected WITH the West Nile Virus, Dauphin County officials said.

The sample of about 100 insects is the first in the county to test positive for the virus, which can cause West Nile encephalitis, an infection that can result in an inflammation of the brain.

The samples were collected on May 9, part of the county's West Nile Virus Control Program.

"The county's WNV Control Program is increasing surveillance and control measures to reduce the mosquito population," County Commissioners Jeff Haste, Mike Pries and George P. Hartwick III said in a joint statement.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), all residents of areas where virus activity has been

identified are at risk of getting West Nile encephalitis.

Mosquitoes infected with the virus are being detected earlier than ever, according to the state Department of Environmental Protection. The first positive test occurred days earlier on May 3, in Exeter Twp., Berks County, according to DEP.

"The unseasonably warm weather in March caused the virus cycle to begin early

Please See WEST NILE, Page A6



A mosquito draws blood
from a victim.
West Nile
Virus can be
transmitted
by mosquito
bites.

Mr. Martin's Opus



For 33 years the middle school band director taught, rehearsed, and directed Middletown's young musicians. On Thursday, he laid down his baton and was honored by those he influenced.

By Debra Schell
Press And Journal Staff

After 33 years, Middletown Area Middle School Band Director Sam Martin is laying down his baton.

Martin directed his last concert on May 10 at the middle school with his family, including his wife, Carol, and their three sons, Adam, Ross, and Ethan, in the audience.

Martin may have known this would be a special night, but he may not have known how special.

Colleagues, band parents, and former students, collaborated for weeks to plan a surprise honor for the director.

They collected comments from former students and presented them as a slide show on a screen behind Martin.

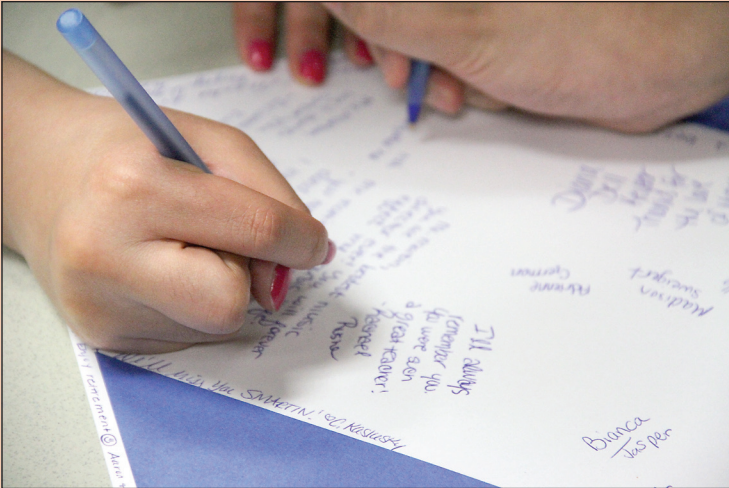
The band boosters dedicated a brick in Martin's name at Memorial Field, gave him an engraved director's baton, a new Middletown Blue Wave Band jacket — he had been wearing an old Feaser Elementary School band jacket — and a scrapbook signed by students and faculty highlighting their memories of the teacher.

Michelle Wagner, president of the band boosters, helped plan the event and feted Martin at the concert. He will be hard to replace, she said.

"He was a marching band, stage band, choral band, and concert band director who spent 33 years in the Middletown schools," Wagner said.

Many past band members attended the concert to support Martin, including about 15 Blue Wave band alumni. Some of their comments played on the screen behind the director, along with photographs from his career.

Please See MARTIN, Page A6



Press And Journal photos by Debra Schell

Band Director Sam Martin, top photo, stands in front of a large projection screen at Middletown Area Middle School during a special tribute in his honor. Martin had just conducted his last concert with the middle school band. After 33 years with the district, Martin will retire in June. Above, MAMS students sign a large card for Martin.

"Thank you, Mr. Martin, for making us better musicians, but more importantly, better people. You believed in us all – we knew it and it meant everything."

— Katie Etter Jenkins
Class of 1996

"May the Sousa March never cease to keep you in step with the joy of your heart and may you always carry the music of your students closely."

— Christy Frey
Class of 1992

This gang didn't think straight

Poor planning ruined heist and may have saved Middletown officer's life when improperly loaded rifle failed to fire.

By Jim Lewis
Press And Journal Staff

They were a gang with more guts than brains. Armed with a toy gun, a broken pistol and a rifle they didn't load correctly, they arrived in Middletown one night intent on robbing a guy who had sold them marijuana in the past, prosecutors said.

They couldn't remember which apartment on Peters Avenue the guy lived in. When they finally found the right one, they knocked on the door. The guy saw them through the peephole in the door, guns drawn, and called the police, the Dauphin County District Attorney's office said.

Their misadventure ended with one of them pointing the incorrectly loaded rifle at a Middletown police officer and pulling the trigger, police said. When it didn't fire, he threw it away and ran, ripping off his coat and tossing it as he ran to avoid identification, prosecutors said.

One problem: He had a letter from a local district justice's office about impending charges against him tucked in one coat pocket. His name was on the letter, prosecutors said.

Three of the four gang members pleaded guilty May 8 in Dauphin County Court to charges stemming from their botched robbery attempt. The pleas came as they were scheduled to go on trial.

"They were the Keystone Kops on steroids," quipped Michael Rozman, chief deputy district attorney.

One of the four, Francisco Javier Ramos Jr., 20, of the 500 block of W. Second St., Hummelstown, was sentenced to 7 to 15 years in prison by Judge Scott Evans after pleading guilty to conspiracy to commit robbery, 6 to 12 years for aggravated assault, and 5 to 10 years for possession of a firearm, court records show. The sentences will run concurrently.

A charge of attempted homicide was dropped by the district attorney's office.

"They didn't load the gun right," explained Rozman, who said the Middletown police agreed to drop the charge.

Ramos received a stiffer sentence for conspiracy than is typically given, said Rozman, so the result was satisfactory to the DA's office.

"That is more than he could have gotten in a straight attempted aggravated assault case," said Rozman. "The police were happy with it."

The agreement to drop the attempted homicide charge was reached between the officer who was the intended target and the DA's office, said acting Middletown Police Chief David Sweitzer. The officer, Sgt. Rick Hiester, could not be reached for comment.

Two others in the gang that night, Joshua C. Zaleski, 21, and Jonathon E. Barnhart-Proctor, 22, both of Hummelstown, have pleaded guilty to

Please See GANG, Page A6



www.hondruauto.com
2005 S. Market Street • Elizabethtown, Pa. 17022
717.367.6644



Spring show at MAMS



Submitted Photo

Middletown Area Spring Choral Concert will be held Thursday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m. The concert will include a wide variety of styles, including the hit musical "Chicago." A tribute will also be made to the victims of the flood that devastated the Middletown community last fall. The 2012 Senior Chorus members will also be honored.

Outer Banks, NC Vacation Homes!



Over 500 Vacation Homes, from Duck to Corolla, Oceanfront to Soundfront, Private Pools, Hot Tubs, Pets and More...

Book Online at www.brindleybeach.com
1-877-642-3224
"SERVICE FIRST... FUN ALWAYS!"

Your Beach Home Awaits!

Windstone • Milton, DE
Single Family **Energy Star** Homes from **\$199,900***
302.645.7948

Heron Bay • Lewes, DE
Single Family Homes - 1/2 acre from **\$167,900***
302.644.9002

The Grande at Canal Pointe Rehoboth Beach, DE
Elevator Condos from **\$219,900***
302.227.7074
Townhomes from **\$329,900***
302.227.1053

Sterling Crossing Rehoboth Beach, DE
Villas from **\$229,900***
302.260.9040

Rehoboth Crossing Rehoboth Beach, DE
Townhomes from **\$299,900***
302.260.9670

Fairway Village Ocean View, DE
Townhomes from **\$229,900***
302.227.1053

*Information subject to change without notice. See a community sales associate for full details.



www.LCHomesDE.com



Let Your Voice Be Heard
Press And Journal's
QUICK OPINION POLL
pressandjournal.com

THE PRESS AND JOURNAL, INC.

Published Every Wednesday
JOURNAL Building

20 S. Union Street
PHONE: (717)944-4628

FAX: (717)944-2083

E-MAIL: info@pressandjournal.com

WEB SITE: www.pressandjournal.com

USPS 44-3100

JOSEPH G. SUKLE, JR.

Publisher

MAXINE J. ETTER

General Manager

GARRY LENTON

Editor

DAVE BROWN

Sales Manager

LYNNE GOMBOC

Circulation/Office Manager

The Press And Journal will be mailed to Dauphin and Lancaster counties in Pennsylvania at \$30 a year or \$20 for six months. In-State at \$35 per year or \$23 for six months. Out-of-State \$45 a year, payable in advance.

Entered at the post office in Middletown, PA as Periodical matter under the Act of March 8, 1879.

POSTMASTER: Please send Form 3579 for undeliverable copies to:

Press And Journal, Inc.
20 S. Union Street

Middletown, PA 17057

HOURS: Mon. - Thurs. 8-5; Fri. 8-4

Obituaries

Margaret Good

Margaret Keveney Good, 86, of Hummelstown, passed away on Saturday, May 12, at Frey Village Retirement Center, Middletown.

Born in Harrisburg on September 26, 1925, she was the daughter of the late John M. and Bessie Booth Keveney.

She retired as an employee health nurse and was the acting director of nursing from the former Community General Osteopathic Hospital, Harrisburg, with 30 years of service; and was a 1943 graduate of Middletown High School, and a 1947 graduate of Lancaster General Hospital School of Nursing serving with the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps.

After her retirement Margaret volunteered in the mail room of Hershey Medical Center and as a dispatcher for Hummelstown Manor; she was a member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hummelstown, where she was a former Sunday school teacher and volunteered with the food bank; was a former member of the Hummelstown Women's Club; and was a former Girl Scout leader and camp nurse.

She was preceded in death by her husband Richard C. Good on January 14, 2002.

She is survived by three sons Richard C. Good II, husband of Kathryn B., Michael S. Good, husband of Cheryl L., and Brian J. Good, husband of

Debra A., all of Hummelstown; one daughter Margaret Anne "Peggy" Wilson of Hummelstown; seven grandchildren Richard K. Good of Somerville, Mass., Cathleen E. DiCello, wife of Jeffrey of Annville, Caitlin B. Wilson of Savannah, Ga., and Erin C. Good, Christopher M. Good, Maeve B. Wilson, and Hannah N. Good, all of Hummelstown; and one great-grandson Joseph Jack DiCello of Annville.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16, at Trefz & Bowser Funeral Home, Inc., 114 West Main Street, Hummelstown, with the Rev. Wayne D. Moritz, and Diaconal Minister Marsha L. Roscoe officiating.

Interment will be in Hummelstown Cemetery.

Friends are invited to visit with the family from 1 p.m. until time of service on Wednesday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that memorial contributions be sent to Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, 100 West Main Street, Hummelstown, PA 17036; the Humane Society of Harrisburg Area, Inc., East Shore Shelter, 7790 Grayson Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111; or to Hospice of Central PA, 1320 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg, PA 17110.

Online condolences may be shared at www.trefzandbowser.com.



Karen Cooper

Karen L. Cooper, 66, of Middletown, entered into the home of her Heavenly Father on Friday, May 11, at Community General Osteopathic Hospital.

She was born in Carlisle on August 1, 1945 and was the daughter of Octavia F. Green Duncan, Middletown and the late Richard Turner.

She was a retired postal employee in Chicago, Ill., and was a member of United Church of Christ, 95th St., Chicago, Ill.

In addition to her mother she is survived by four sons Curtis, Troy, and Derrick Cooper all of Chicago, and Eric Cooper of Middletown; brother Anthony W. Green of Middletown; sister Wendy L. Baltimore of Lancaster; five grandchildren; and a host of relatives and friends.

A Going Home Memorial Service will be at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, May 16, at Ebenezer African Methodist Episcopal Church, Market and Lincoln Sts., Middletown, with the Rev. Ernestine Boles officiating.

Interment will be at the convenience of the family.

Visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m. on Wednesday at the church.

Arrangements by Frank E. Matinchek and Daughter Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc., Middletown.

Condolences may be shared at www.matinchekanddaughterfuneralhome.com.

Geraldine Ball

Geraldine L. Ball, 87, of Middletown, after a long and fruitful life, joined the Lord in eternal glory on Saturday, May 12 during the hour of divine mercy. Her outlook was "Fair to Middlin'," as she always said in a joyous tone.

She was born on October 27, 1924 in Connellsville and was the daughter of the late John J. and Kathryn Micher Franks, and sister to the late John Jr., Peggy Clabaugh, Bonny Pravlik, and Gloria Guseman.

Early in life, Geraldine worked at Anchor Hocking, Connellsville for 12 years. Her husband-to-be found her at a roller skating rink doing the Waltz and Foxtrot, and they were married in 1954.

Later in life, she was a member of Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church, Middletown, and was the owner of Ball's Trailer Court, Lower Swatara Township.

She was a loving wife of 55 years to John Woodward Ball, who preceded

her in death in 2009.

She was a devoted mother to Judy Brady, wife of Terrence Brady, Janice Ball, and Joyce Vu.

She was a much beloved grandmother of Jeremie Vu, husband of Diana Robinson, and Darrell Vu.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. on Friday, May 18, at Seven Sorrows Church, Race & Conewago Sts., Middletown, with the Rev. Louis P. Ogden as celebrant.

Burial will be in Woodlawn Memorial Gardens, Harrisburg.

Viewings will be from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, May 17, at the Frank E. Matinchek and Daughter Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc., 260 E. Main St., Middletown, with the recitation of the Rosary at 8 p.m. and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. on Friday in the narthex of the church.

Condolences may be shared at www.matinchekanddaughterfuneralhome.com.

Middletown Police

Following is a compilation of reports from the Middletown Police Department. Please be aware all those charged/cited are presumed innocent unless proven otherwise in a court of law.

Drunk driving

Katie N. Dawkins, 27, of Middletown, was charged with DUI, DUI-high rate, two counts of endangering the welfare of children, careless driving, and a traffic violation.

The charges were filed with District Judge David Judy's office on May 2.

Dawkins' preliminary hearing was scheduled for 2:45 p.m. on June 14 in Judy's office.

Simple assault

Corrie Burger, 39, of Middletown, was charged with simple assault.

The charge was filed with District Judge David Judy's office on May 3.

Burger's preliminary hearing is scheduled for 3:15 p.m. in Judy's office.

Fees For Obituaries:

31¢ per word. \$5 for photo.

Fees For Card of Thanks

or In Memoriam:

\$10 / 45 words or less;

\$10 each additional

45 words or less.

Paid In Advance - Cash,

Check, Visa, Mastercard.

Deadline - Monday Noon.

Contact Press And Journal

at 717-944-4628,

e-mail: PamSmith@pressandjournal.com

or Your Funeral Director

MAY IS BETTER HEARING MONTH

Call Us

EAR RESPONSIBLE
Hearing Aids \$799 up
JERE DUNKLEBERGER
HEARING AIDS

112 East Main Street • Hummelstown

Analog **566-9910** Digital

Strawberries

BEDDING PLANTS • VEGETABLE TRANSPLANTS • HANGING BASKETS

Also Available: Fresh Cut Asparagus, Spinach, Spring Mix & Spring Onions

Also From Our Bakery: Cookies, Breads, Fresh Baked Fruit Pies & more

Strites
ORCHARD

www.stritesorchard.com

Growers of quality fruits & vegetables in season
Located in Chambers Hill area off Rt. 322

564-3130

NEW HOURS:

Mon.-Fri. 8 am-7 pm

Sat. 8 am-5 pm; Closed Sun.

TANBARK

Premium all natural hardwood mulch
NO chemicals, dyes or wood filler

\$5 OFF 3-5 yards of mulch

\$10 OFF 6-8 yards of mulch

PICK UP or DELIVERY



MIDDLETOWN ICE & COAL

15 S. Race Street • Middletown • 944-7411

Garage sales,
yard sales
and moving sales, **oh my!**



Run Your Sale for \$10
2nd Week for only \$5

Announce your sale on the
Press And Journal's
Facebook page for only \$5*

REACH THOUSANDS
ON OUR
FACEBOOK PAGE!



*Ad must also appear in the Press And Journal

717.944.4628

e-mail: info@pressandjournal.com

Deadline: Monday 1 pm

Press And Journal

20 S. Union Street
Middletown

New name, location for Chess Club

Beginners to Grand Masters all welcome to play

The Middletown Area Chess Club has a new name and location. Formerly affiliated with the Middletown Area School District, the club will now be known as the King Henry Chess Club.

The club will meet on Thursday evenings from 6-8 p.m. in the social hall of B'nai Jacob Synagogue. The synagogue is a red brick building at the intersection of Nissley and Water streets in Middletown, 300 West Water St. (Don't use a GPS, because it might send you to Royaltown). The first meeting of the club will be on June 7 at 6 p.m.

All are welcome including beginners to Grand Masters, old and young.

There is no charge. If you are new to the game, club members will offer instruction.

The history of chess spans some 1,500 years and is played all over the world. The first modern chess tournament was held in London in 1851. Since then tournaments have been held continuously. The club will hold its own tournament at the end of the summer and if possible will challenge another club to a match.


Chess boards are available, but players are encouraged to bring their own.

For more information, contact Larry Kapenstein at lkap@comcast.net.

GENEALOGY

Pennsylvania Family Roots

Sharman Meck Carroll
PO Box 72413, Thorndale, PA 19372
pafamroots@msn.com



Column No. 640/May 16, 2012

Harmony, Pennsylvania

The history of Harmony, alternately spelled Harmonie, began with Murdering Town, a small Delaware Indian Village George Washington visited there in 1753 on his way to France's Fort LeBoeuf, the mission that precipitated the French and Indian War.

Harmony was founded in 1804 by pacifist German Lutheran Separatists. They were led there by Pietist Johann George Rapp who came to America from Wuerttemberg, Germany in search of land for his followers. The Harmonists, who became American citizens, were a farming community, planting orchards, vineyards and grain, as well as raising merino sheep. The self-sufficient community also included several mills, a brewery, a tannery, the Harmony Inn and a general store. Each family had its own house on a quarter-acre lot, and a brick church dominated the village square.

Within two years of their arrival, the hard-working Harmonists had outgrown their land. In 1814, they left Pennsylvania for a larger colony in Indiana, known as "New Harmony." Their land in Harmony was sold to the Mennonites, also pacifists, whose many descendants still live there. Abraham Ziegler bought the Harmony Society's town and 9,000 acres. His and other pacifist Mennonite families resettled the area, many of them farming the former Harmonists land. The Harmonists returned in 1824 to establish Economy, now Ambridge, 22 miles southwest of Harmony, where their final home is commemorated by the state-operated Old Economy Village. The commune was dissolved there in 1905.

Their celibate Harmony Society became one of the most successful American communal groups of the 19th century, known for entrepreneurial accomplishments in agriculture and industry as well as their devout religious life. The museum's Harmonist barn is adjacent to the first land the commune cleared for agricultural purposes in 1805 and the hillside it began growing grapes for wine production in 1807.

A cultural tourism site for more than 200 years and Western Pennsylvania's first National Landmark District, Harmony is architecturally similar to the southwestern Germany hometowns of its founders. The Harmony museum interprets the area's remarkably rich history and is open 1-4 p.m. daily except Mondays and holidays. Harmony is at I-79 exits 87 and 88, about 30 miles north of downtown Pittsburgh, 10 miles north of the Pennsylvania Turnpike and 30 miles south of I-80. For more information, phone the museum at 724-452-7341 or visit www.harmonymuseum.org.

10th Annual Harmony Museum Herb & Garden Fair, June 9

The Harmony Museum's 10th Annual Herb & Garden Fair promises to be bigger and better on Saturday, June 9, with the 9 a.m.-4 p.m. event spreading out throughout the town with a number of new activities and special guests scheduled. Admission is free.

At the museum's historic 1805 barn, 303 Mercer Rd., just north of the Connoquenessing Creek, the main action is a plant and garden market, with opportunities to get expert answers to gardening questions. Gardeners can trade their potted plants for others and shop among gardening vendors. Donors and exchangers bringing plants will receive vouchers for others. The museum's gardening specialists and experts will answer gardening questions. Light lunches will be available at the barn from 11 a.m.

Much more will be going on among the few blocks between the barn and the town diamond at the center of Harmony's National Landmark District; 8 a.m.-2 p.m., baked goods, special sandwiches, Stohr Haus Bakery, 534 Main St. in town diamond; 9 a.m.-4 p.m., additional vendors, museum's Wagner House annex, 222 Mercer St.

Demonstrations and sale, museum's Weavers Cabin, 245 Mercer St. Wine tasting and sidewalk sales, the Center of Harmony (former opera house), 253 Mercer St. Flea market, hot dogs and hamburgers, Loyal Order of Moose, 270 Mercer St.; 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Butler County Humane Society pet adoption booth, Stewart Hall - Bottlebrush Gallery parking lot.

This Year's Special Guests: 1-3 p.m., folk musician Jay Hitt, museum's Stewart Hall and adjacent Bottlebrush Gallery, 539 Main St.; 1:30-4 p.m., meet the artist with sculptor Betsy Hughes, museum's Stewart Hall; 2 p.m., presentation by Doug Oster, Garden Guy of KDKA television show "Pittsburgh Today Live, the museum's Stewart Hall. Immediately following his presentation at approximately 2:45 p.m. Oster will conduct a signing of his new book, "Tomatoes, Garlic and Basil," at Bottlebrush Gallery; 2:45 p.m., paint to music with artist Tom Panei, museum's Stewart Hall.

A shuttle will provide rides between a large parking lot at the west of Mercer Street and the barn, with intermediate stops at the Harmony Museum and Center of Harmony. There will be no parking at the barn's plant exchange, although drop-off and pickup will be accommodated there. Additional free parking is available at the museum and in municipal lots on Main Street south of the diamond, Mercer Street west of the diamond, and Spring Street at German Street.

Harmony's hiking trail between the barn and the museum's 1825 Mennonite Meetinghouse offers an opportunity to enjoy wildlife along the creek and adjacent wooded ridge. The museum will be open for guided tours of the building 1-4 p.m., and Harmony's numerous specialty shops will be open.

Church

Evangelical United Methodist Church Middletown

It is with delight that we welcome all worshippers. May your spirit be fed and may the Lord's hand rest upon us all as we worship.

Evangelical Church meets on the corner of Spruce and Water streets at 157 E. Water St., Middletown, south of Main St. behind the Turkey Hill convenience store.

The ministries scheduled at Evangelical United Methodist Church from May 16-22 are always open to everyone seeking a deeper experience with Jesus.

Wed., May 16: 6:30 p.m., Senior Choir rehearsal.

Thurs., May 17: 5:30 p.m., Girl Scout meeting.

Sun., May 20: 9 a.m., Sunday Church school, with classes for all ages. Adult Sunday school devotional leader for

May; Bill Harris; 10:15 a.m., worship service. The worship center is handicap and wheelchair accessible. Greeters: Jean Murray, Mary Lehman, Carlyn Bitner. Nursery Helpers: Deb Lidle, Joyce Moyer. The altar flowers are given in memory of daughter Wendy Hoffman presented by Dawn Pickel. This week's bulletins are sponsored in memory of Myron I. Kuhn by the family; 11:30 a.m., Refreshments and fellowship time.

Mon., May 21: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Community dinner at Evangelical UMC. Menu includes baked ziti and meatballs, salad, Italian bread, beverages, and dessert.

Tues., May 22: 5:30 p.m., Girl Scout meeting; 6:30 p.m., United Methodist Men's dinner and meeting.

Presbyterian Congregation of Middletown Middletown

In this Easter season we gather to affirm our faith in the risen Lord! All are welcome, especially visitors. Church service begins at 10:30 a.m. on Sun., May 20. Our minister is Rev. Donald E. Potter and the music director is Shirley Newhart. Nursery is provided during the service. For children remaining in the sanctuary there are Blue Listening Bags for their use, filled with paper activities.

Prior to the main service, Sunday school is offered for the children at 9:15 a.m. in the Morrow Room. Adult Forum for teens and adults meet in Fellowship Hall. Lee Barrett, Professor of Theology at the Lancaster Theological Seminary, will discuss the many names and faces of Jesus. All are welcome to come and hear.

Sat., May 19: Noon to 2 p.m., Pick up your preordered and prepaid soup and sandwiches.

Mon., May 21: 11 a.m., Staff meeting; 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Community dinner at Evangelical UMC; 7 p.m., Deacons meeting.

Tues., May 22: at 6 p.m., Presbytery meeting at Centre Presbyterian Church in Loysville.

Wed., May 23: 6 p.m., Evangelism Committee meeting; 6:30 p.m., practice for the Presbyterian Bells of Praise; 7:15 p.m., Chancel Choir practice.

Sun., May 27: Pentecost Sunday and Communion.

For further information, check our website at www.pcmdt.org, call the church office at 944-4322, or see our Facebook page.

Open Door Bible Church Middletown

"Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night." Psalm 1:1-2

Open Door Bible Church, located at 200 Nissley Drive, Middletown, invites you to worship Jesus Christ with us this week.

Our May 20 Sunday worship service commences at 10:40 a.m. with a 9:30 a.m. Sunday school hour with classes for all ages; children ages 4

through second grade are welcome to participate in Junior Church during the morning worship service; we also welcome you to join us at our 6:30 p.m. service. Childcare is provided for children under age 4 during all services and classes.

Wed., May 16: 7 p.m., Patch the Pirate Clubs for ages 4 through grade 6, and Prayer meeting.

For more information call the church office at 939-5180 or visit us online at www.odbcpa.org. Better yet, come worship with us in person.

New Beginnings Church Middletown

New Beginnings Church of Middletown invites you to worship with us each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Nursery and children's church provided. Our congregation meets at Riverside Chapel, 630 S. Union St., next to the Rescue Hose Company. Sunday school for all ages is at 9 a.m. We are handicap accessible via ramp at the back door. For additional church information call 944-9595.

Nonperishable food items are collected every Sunday for the Middletown Food Bank.

Bible Study is every Monday at 6:30 p.m.; Intercessory Prayer is held every Thursday at 7 p.m.; Choir rehearsals are Sunday after worship. Confirmation class for youth is Sundays at 4 p.m. with reception into church membership Sunday, May 20. Women of Faith Bible Study is every Monday at 1:30 p.m. at the Wahls' home.

New Beginnings delivers Meals on

Wheels the first week of May. Week of May 14: Mitzi Neidinger, Miriam Rutter, Mary K. Lemon and Bob Allen are the deliverers.

Sun., May 20: Special music in worship by the Sonshine Singers from the Church of God in Middletown. Children's church leaders for May 20 are Irene Beck and Laura Titus.

New Beginnings Church team of Middletown Area Baseball Association games: Sat., May 19 at 10 a.m. and Tues., May 21 at 6 p.m. Both games are played at Paxtonia. Josh Brandt from New Beginnings is on the team.

Thurs., May 17: 7 p.m., Ascension Day Service.

Tues., May 21: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Community dinner at Evangelical UMC.

Pastor Britt's parting words each Sunday: "Nothing in this world is more important than the love of Jesus Christ." We invite you to come and experience this love.

First Church of God Middletown

First Church of God, 245 W. High Street, Middletown, invites you to join us on Sunday for morning worship services that are held at 8 and 10:30 a.m. Childcare is provided. Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:15 a.m. Classes for special education are available.

Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. Classes are available for Youth (grades 6-12), Frog Pond (grades 1-5), Kindergarten (ages 4-5), Toddlers (ages 2-3), and Nursery (infants to age 2) and for adults. Adult classes offer Bible studies and elevates.

Wednesday Night Live: Supper at 5:45 p.m. (no charge, donations accepted). Wednesday Night Live classes for all ages begin at 6:30 p.m. Classes offered are Bible Study on 1 Corinthians, Marriage Class, E100 Discussion Class; "Finding God in Ungodly Places" using current media to begin discussions; Craft Class - knitting, crocheting and latch hook; Zumba Class, charge per week. Youth Class meet in the youth center studying creative Bible lessons on Galatians and Philippians, plus classes for all children, and babysitting for wee ones 3 and younger. Wednesday Night Live ends May 16 and will resume in

September.

Thursdays: 8 am., Breakfast Club Bible Study; 6 to 8 p.m., The Sunshiners gather for a time of Christian fellowship, teaching and worship. They are a group which exists to meet the spiritual needs of persons who are developmentally challenged. They meet weekly through May; 7 p.m., Pasta and Prayer Young Adult Bible Study.

Wednesdays beginning May 23: Family Open Garage Night, 6 to 8 p.m. The church will provide hot dogs and hamburgers each week and you are invited to bring a side dish to go with them. This is for everyone, not just families.

Activities: May 23, Tie Dye and Reverse Tie Dye.; May 30, Back Yard Game Night.

Latino Congregation: Betesda Casa de Misericordia, CGGC, 245 W. High St., Middletown. Estudios Biblicos Domingos, noon; Servicio Evangelistico: Domingos, 1:30 p.m.: Contactos: Ricardo and Jeanette Perez 717-333-2184.

For additional information call the church office at 944-9608 or e-mail us at mdtcog@comcast.net and check out our Web site at www.middletown-cog.org.

Falcon Foundation turns 5

The Lower Dauphin Falcon Foundation is celebrating its fifth year of supporting special programs for the students of the Lower Dauphin School District.

"It's hard to believe it's been five years," said LDFF President Patricia Gordon. "I am proud to say that with the support of our community, we have been able to have a positive impact on our Lower Dauphin schools. That's what it's all about."

Indeed, the Lower Dauphin Falcon Foundation is an independent, community, and nonprofit organization dedicated to enhance and expand enrichment and educational opportunities for all students in the Lower Dauphin School District.

To date, the Foundation has provided close to \$27,000 in grants to teachers and up to \$500 for students. The 59 funded projects are as diverse as the student population served by Lower Dauphin - ranging from a clothing bank at Londonderry Elementary School, to a video mixer for the middle school's television program, Falcon News Network, to start-up money for the high school's rain garden.

"The Foundation provides us with opportunities to do things beyond the general operating budget," said Sherri Smith, superintendent. "In addition to the classroom grant program, we have been fortunate to receive funding through the state's Educational Income Tax Credit program."

With the EITC program, the state provides generous tax credits to eligible businesses that support the Lower Dauphin Falcon Foundation. Tax credits start at 75 percent of the donation amount for a one-year contribution and increases to 90 percent for a two-year contribution. The tax credits can be applied to as much as a \$300,000 contribution each year and the residual tax benefits can reduce the

Falcon Foundation

For more information about the foundation, send an e-mail to foundation@ldsd.org, or call 566-5300 and press 8.

actual cost of the donation to virtually nothing.

The LDFF received an EITC donation of roughly \$7,000 from Giant Foods Stores and those funds were used to purchase laptop computers to be used at Conewago Elementary School. Fulton Bank donated \$1,000 through the EITC program to purchase books and supplies for pre-kindergarten reading programs at Londonderry Elementary School and East Hanover Elementary School.

"The EITC program is really a win-win for businesses wanting to contribute to our schools," Dr. Smith said. "We urge those interested to contact the Foundation for more information."



Groff's Meats

FAMILY OWNED & OPERATED SINCE 1875

33 N. Market Street
Elizabethtown
367-1246 • 653-8594
533-6309

MON., TUES., WED., THURS.
7:30 am-6 pm
FRI. 7:30 am-9 pm
SAT. 7:30 am-5:30 pm

FREE Parking ~ UPS Service ~
PA Access ~ Not responsible for
typographical errors.

Weekly Specials

Ring Bologna.....**\$3.39** lb.
Clearfield Hot Pepper Cheese**\$4.79** lb.
Longhorn Cheese.....**\$3.99** lb.
Babyback Ribs.....**\$4.39** lb.
Sliced Bacon**\$4.29** lb.
Beef Ribs to BBQ.....**\$3.29** lb.

GROFF PORK COMES FROM LOCAL FARMS

STEAKS

NO CHARGE TO CUT

WHOLE EXTRA LEAN TENDERLOINS
Avg. Wt. 4-7 lb.**\$8.29** lb.
WHOLE WESTERN TENDERLOINS
Avg. Wt. 4-7 lb.**\$10.79** lb.
WHOLE NEW YORK STRIPS
Avg. Wt. 15-19 lb.**\$4.39** lb.
WHOLE DELMONICOS
Avg. Wt. 16-19 lb.**\$7.49** lb.

FRIDAY - FRESH PIEROGIES

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Calvary Orthodox Presbyterian Church

10 Spruce Street • 944-5835
Sunday School - 9 am • Morning Worship 10:15 am
Evening Worship - 6 pm
www.calvaryopc.com

City of Refuge Church

"Where The Bruised And Broken Are Welcomed"
100 Brown Street, Suite 17
Sunday School - 10 am • Sunday Worship - 11 am
Wednesday Bible Study - 7 pm
ELDER VERNAL E. SIMMS, SR., Pastor
Phone 717-388-1053

Ebenezer United Methodist Church

"Love God, Love People, Make Disciples"
Corner of 441 & Ebenezer Road
Phone 939-0766
Sunday Worship - 10 am
(Nursery and Sunday School for Children)
Christian Child Care - 985-1650
REV. JOHN OVERMAN, Pastor
www.ebenezerumc.net

Evangelical United Methodist Church

Spruce & Water Sts., Middletown
REV. ROBERT GRAYBILL, Pastor
Sunday School (all ages) - 9 am
Sunday Worship - 10:15 am

First Church of God

235 W. High St., Middletown
REV. KIMBERLY SHIFLER, Pastor
944-9608
Sunday School - 9:15 am • Worship Services - 8 & 10:30 am
Classes for Special Education
(Sunday Morning & Thursday Evening)
Ample Parking Nursery Provided

Glad Tidings Assembly of God

Route 283 @ N. Union Street, Middletown
Phone 944-1042
REV. JOHN LANZA, Sr. Pastor
REV. ANDREW JORDAN, Student Ministries Pastor
REV. BEN GRENIER, Children's Pastor
Sunday School - 9:30 am • Worship - 10:30 am
Small Groups - Various Locations
Wednesday Family Night - 7 pm
Wednesday AXIS Student Ministries - 7 pm
Listen to FM 91.1 Sundays at 9 a.m.
www.gtappa.org

New Beginnings Church

at the Riverside Chapel
630 South Union St., Middletown
Sunday School - 9 am • Worship Service - 10:30 am
Pastor Britt Strohecker
Everyone Is Welcome!

Open Door Bible Church

200 Nissley Drive, Middletown, PA
(Located In Lower Swatara Township)
Pastor JONATHAN E. TILLMAN
Phone 939-5180
Sunday School - 9:30 am • Morning Worship - 10:40 am
Evening Worship - 6:30 pm
Wednesday Prayer Service - 7 pm

Presbyterian Congregation of Middletown

Union & Water Sts., Middletown • 944-4322
Church School - 9:15 am • Worship - 10:30 am

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Spring & Union Sts., Middletown
Church Office 944-4651
REV. DR. J. RICHARD ECKERT, Pastor
Saturday Service With Spoken Liturgy - 5 pm
Sunday Services - 8:15 am & 11 am
Sunday Church School - 9:45 am

Buying? Selling? Check out the

CLASSIFIED ADS

Call 717-944-4628 to place your ad

e-mail: info@pressandjournal.com

CLASSIFIED RATES

\$10.15 Minimum for first 15 words

25¢ Each Additional Word

COMMERCIAL ADS

\$25.00 Minimum for first 15 words

\$1.00 Each Additional Word

Payable To:

Press And Journal

20 S. Union Street

Middletown, PA 17057

717-944-4628

e-mail:

info@pressandjournal.com

DEADLINE:

MONDAY 9 A.M.

All Classified Line Ads Must Be Paid In Advance. Cash, Check, Visa Or Mastercard Are Accepted. NO REFUNDS.

MEMORIAL DAY

EARLY DEADLINES

Line Classified Ads

Friday, May 25 • 9 am

Yard Sales

Friday, May 25 • Noon

Public Notices

Friday, May 25 • 10 am

FOR SALE

52" RCA SCENIUM TV - w/DVD, \$850; Proform Perspective 100 Elliptical w/TV monitor, \$500; Proform XP-Whirlwing 280, \$400. Call 717-985-6428.

Yard Sales

MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE

Sat., May 19 • 6:30 a.m.-?

218 Ridge Ave., Middletown

Rain or shine!

REMA (Royalton Emergency Management Agency)

COMMUNITY YARD SALE – KIWANIS PARK

Sat., May 19 • 7 a.m.-1 p.m.

Table space available for \$10. For more information call 944-4831 or visit www.royaltonpa.com

YARD SALE

Sat., May 19 • 8 a.m.-?

345 Ulrich St., Upper Royalton

Clothing, bedding items, much more!

Rain date: 5/26

YARD SALE

Sat., May 19 • 7 a.m.-?

31 Grandview Ave., Middletown

Snowblower, clothing, Christmas & Penn State items, china.

EDGEWATER HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Sat., May 19 • 7 a.m.-noon

(No early birds!)

35 homes, Edgewater, Creekview, Grubb and Dock sts., Royalton

Household items, used furniture, some antiques, odds and ends.

Construction

Home Improvement

RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL • INDUSTRIAL

F.W. WILSON

Fully Insured for Your Protection

717-566-5100

Satisfaction Guaranteed

Shingle Roofing

Rubber Roofing Certified

Slate Roofing

Flat Roof Specialists

Roof Coating

Roof Repairs & Replacement

Serving Central Pennsylvania since 1974

BAKER'S SEPTIC SERVICE

SEPTIC TANKS • CESS POOLS • HOLDING TANKS

Serving

Elizabethtown • Mount Joy • Manheim

Lititz • Hershey • Hummelstown

Middletown • All Surrounding Areas

SINCE 1980

COMPETITIVE RATES

367-7271

FOR SALE

FOR SALE - If you have an item to sell and you can't get to the Press & Journal to put in a classified, give us a call. Thursday and Friday are the best days to call. Deadline for classifieds is Monday at 9 a.m. All Classified line ads must be paid in advance. Call 717-944-4628. (1/1TF)
INK DRUMS - \$5 EACH. YOU PICK UP. 717-944-4628. (4/11TF)

AUTOS

2008 CHEVY IMPALA LS - 4-door, V6, aluminum alloy wheels, slate gray exterior, excellent condition. NADA retail list \$11,300, asking \$9,900. Call 717-944-1275 (5/23)

ADOPTION

Are you pregnant? Considering adoption? A childless married couple seeks to ADOPT. Financial security. Expenses paid. Let's help each other. Call Christine & Adam. 1-800-790-5260

MISC.

SAWMILLS from only \$3,997.00. MAKE & SAVE MONEY with your own bandmill-Cut lumber any dimension. In stock ready to ship. FREE Info/DVD: www.NorwoodSawmills.com 1-800-578-1363 Ext.300N

MISC.

AIRLINE CAREERS begin here-Become an Aviation Maintenance Tech. FAA approved training. Financial aid if qualified-Housing available. Job placement assistance. CALL Aviation Institute of Maintenance 888-834-9715
EARN COLLEGE DEGREE ON-LINE. *Medical, *Business, *Criminal Justice. Job placement assistance. Computer available. Financial Aid if qualified. SCHEV Certified. Call 888-220-3984. www.CenturaOnline.com

WANTED

WANTED - WE want your ads. Now you can call in your Press & Journal classified ad. Thursday and Friday are the best days to call. Deadline for classifieds is Monday at 9 a.m. All Classified line ads must be paid in advance. Call 717-944-4628. (1/1TF)
NICE 2 BEDROOM - townhouse, newly painted inside. Large kitchen, dining area, living room, back yard. Park near front door. \$650/mo. 717-566-8994. (5/16)
GORGEOUS - NEWLY renovated Middletown townhome, 3 bedrooms, 1-1/2 baths. \$995 to \$1,095/month. 717-901-7962 or www.hbgrentals.com. (5/16)
MIDDLETOWN - 2 BEDROOM apartment. \$550/mo. Heat and water paid. 717-576-0982. (5/16)
SMOKE-FREE spacious 1 bedroom 2nd floor apt. with small balcony, light and airy. Water and sewer included. \$500/mo. Deposit required. 717-944-0712. (4/18TF)
2 BEDROOM TOWNHOUSE - in Middletown. No pets. 717-944-6113. (4/11TF)
1 BEDROOM - \$500/mo.; 2 BEDROOM \$550/mo., Middletown. Utilities included. No pets, no smoking. Must be credit approved. Year lease. First month plus security deposit. 717-664-1926. (3/21TF)
GARAGES - 1-CAR, \$95; 2-car, \$180; 2-car w/gas, electric, \$220. 717-526-4600. (1/25TF)
APARTMENT - 1 BEDROOM, furnished in Highspire. Starting at \$515/mo., includes gas heat, hot water, sewer, trash. 717-526-4600. (3/28TF)
OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND: Best selection of affordable rentals. Full/ partial weeks. Call for FREE brochure. Open daily. Holiday Real Estate. 1-800-638-2102 Online reservations: www.holidayoc.com

REAL ESTATE

Virginia Seaside Lots: Spectacular 3+ acre estate lots in exclusive development on the seashore (the mainland) overlooking Chincoteague Bay, islands and ocean beyond. Gated entrance, caretaker, private paved roads, community pier, pool and club house which includes 2-bedroom guest suites for property owners. Great climate, fishing, clamming and National Seashore beaches nearby. Just 30 miles south of Ocean City, Md. Absolute buy of a lifetime, recent bank sale makes these lots available at 1/3 original price! Priced at only \$49,000 to \$65,000. For info call (757)824-5284 Email: oceanlandtrust@yahoo.com, pictures on website: www.corbinhall.com

Employment

Drivers

Pennsylvania Drivers

Regional

Runs

HOME

WEEKLY

.40¢-.45¢/Mile - ALL MILES

Class A CDL + 1 Yr. OTR Exp.

Landair

Solutions from the Ground Up

1-866-269-2119

www.landair.com

REAL ESTATE

Upstate NY Land Sale "Sportsman Bargain" 3 acres w/ cozy cabin, Close access to Oneida Lake - \$17,995. "Large River" -over 900 ft. 18 acres along fishing/swimming river -\$49,995. "Timberland Investment" -90 acres deer sanctuary, beautiful timber studs, small creek -\$99,995. Over 100 new properties. Call 800-229-7843 Or visit landandcamps.com

FOR RENT

FOR RENT - If you have something to rent, give us a call. We'll put your ad in the Press & Journal. Thursday and Friday are the best days to call. Deadline for classifieds is Monday at 9 a.m. All Classified line ads must be paid in advance. Call 717-944-4628. (1/1TF)
NICE 2 BEDROOM - townhouse, newly painted inside. Large kitchen, dining area, living room, back yard. Park near front door. \$650/mo. 717-566-8994. (5/16)
GORGEOUS - NEWLY renovated Middletown townhome, 3 bedrooms, 1-1/2 baths. \$995 to \$1,095/month. 717-901-7962 or www.hbgrentals.com. (5/16)
MIDDLETOWN - 2 BEDROOM apartment. \$550/mo. Heat and water paid. 717-576-0982. (5/16)
SMOKE-FREE spacious 1 bedroom 2nd floor apt. with small balcony, light and airy. Water and sewer included. \$500/mo. Deposit required. 717-944-0712. (4/18TF)
2 BEDROOM TOWNHOUSE - in Middletown. No pets. 717-944-6113. (4/11TF)
1 BEDROOM - \$500/mo.; 2 BEDROOM \$550/mo., Middletown. Utilities included. No pets, no smoking. Must be credit approved. Year lease. First month plus security deposit. 717-664-1926. (3/21TF)
GARAGES - 1-CAR, \$95; 2-car, \$180; 2-car w/gas, electric, \$220. 717-526-4600. (1/25TF)
APARTMENT - 1 BEDROOM, furnished in Highspire. Starting at \$515/mo., includes gas heat, hot water, sewer, trash. 717-526-4600. (3/28TF)
OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND: Best selection of affordable rentals. Full/ partial weeks. Call for FREE brochure. Open daily. Holiday Real Estate. 1-800-638-2102 Online reservations: www.holidayoc.com

It's fast ... it's easy!

Take the

QUICK

OPINION

POLL

at

pressandjournal.com

Employment

Bus Drivers Needed

AM & PM routes, sports & field trips

Great job for mothers with children

Contact

DAWN or PAT

944-0331

FIRST STUDENT

Middletown



EMPLOYMENT

WEEKENDS ARE MADE FOR FUN! Share your good times with children. FCCY is looking for weekend and full-time foster parents. fccy.org. Call 1-9-800-747-3807. EOE. (5/30)
DRIVERS: INDUSTRY Leading Pay, Hometown, Bonuses, Benefits, 99% No-Touch, 24 hr. dispatch, late model equip. CDL-A2 yrs. tractor/trailer exp. req. Logistics One: 1-888-598-4230, x120. (5/16)
EARN \$1000 - \$3200 a month to drive our new cars with ads. www.PaidDriver.com
Drivers - CDL-A DRIVERS NEEDED! Up to \$3,000 Sign-On Bonus for Qualified Drivers! 6 mo OTR exp. req. d. CALL OR APPLY ONLINE 877-521-5775 www.USATRUCK.jobs
Drivers - Flexible Hometown, Full or Part-time. Modern Trucks. Local Orientation. Quarterly Safety Bonus. Single Source Dispatch. Requires 3 months recent experience. 800-414-9569 www.drive4night.com
NEW TO TRUCKING? Your new career starts now! \$0 Tuition Cost *No Credit Check *Great Pay & Benefits. Short employment commitment required. Call: (866)447-0377 www.joinCRST.com
AVERITT Has Great Opportunity for CDL-A Drivers! 42.5 cpm w/1+ Year's Experience (Depends on Location). Weekly Hometown/Full Benefits! Paid Refresher Course Available. 888-362-8608 AVERITTcareers.com EOE
Class-A Team Drivers- Dedicated runs to Morton, IL. \$1,000/week. \$500 Sign On Bonus. Home Weekly. Consistent Miles/Freight. Day one medical. 866-331-3335. www.drive-crst.com
Exp. Reefer Drivers: GREAT PAY! Freight lanes from Presque Isle, ME, Boston-Lehigh, PA. 800-277-0212 or primeinc.com
FOREMEN to lead utility field crews. Outdoor physical work, many positions, paid training, \$17/hr. plus weekly performance bonuses after promotion, living allowance when traveling, company truck and benefits. Must have strong leadership skills, good driving history, and able to travel in Pennsylvania and nearby States. Email resume to Recruiter3@osmose.com or apply online at www.OsmoseUtilities.com EOE M/F/D/V
Drivers: Sign On Bonus \$2000 - \$7500. Solo & Teams. 1 year OTR. CDL-A-Hazmat Up to .513 877-628-3748 www.driveNCTrans.com
Drivers - CDL-A TEAM with TOTAL *MILES *EQUIPMENT *BENEFITS \$.50/mile for Hazmat Teams. Solo drivers also needed! 800-942-2104 Ext. 7307 or 7308 www.Drive4Total.com

Lower Dauphin Schools



Submitted Photo

Lower Dauphin Middle School Hummelstown Optimist Oratorical Contest winners are, from left, Clyde Tamburro, first place; Elise Musser, first place; Sam Mulligan, second; Katie Lammando, second; Bryant Christenson, third; and Peyton Johnson, third.

Young orators find their voice

Lower Dauphin Middle School seventh-graders Elise Musser and Clyde Tamburro won first place in the Hummelstown Optimist Oratorical Contest held April 18. In the girls' division, sev-

enth-grade student Katie Lammando placed second, and Peyton Johnson placed third. In the boys' competition, Sam Mulligan, grade 7, placed second, and Bryant Christenson, grade 7, placed third.

The theme of the competition was "How my Optimism Helps Me Overcome Obstacles." Both first-place winners moved on to the zone competition held Saturday, May 12 in Reading.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Mary R. Givler, Deceased, late of Londonderry Township, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payments, and those having claims will present them for settlement to:

Dawn F. Foreman, Co-Executrix and Mary R. Landvater, Co-Executrix C/O Yost & Davidson 320 West Chocolate Avenue P.O. Box 437 Hershey, PA 17033-0437
OR TO: John S. Davidson, Esquire YOST & DAVIDSON 320 West Chocolate Avenue P.O. Box 437 Hershey, PA 17033 5/2-3T #148
www.MyPublicNotices.com

REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY PERMIT

REQUEST IS HEREBY MADE by Mack Trucks, Inc. for a Temporary Permit in accordance with Chapter 27, Part 27, Section 2703.4, Permits, of the Lower Swatara Township Zoning Ordinance No. 448, as amended. The applicant desires to place a temporary office/training facility on property located at 2800 Commerce Drive within the Turnpike Industrial Park. Property is zoned Industrial Park (I-P) District.
Hearing will be held Wednesday, May 23, 2012 immediately following Zoning Hearing #2012-01 which will convene at 7:00 PM at the Township Municipal Building, 1499 Spring Garden Drive, Middletown, Pennsylvania.
All interested parties are invited to attend.
RANDALL BREON VICE CHAIRMAN ZONING HEARING BOARD 5/9-2T #151
www.MyPublicNotices.com

Steel-High Schools

Board approves energy-saving improvements

By Debra Schell Press And Journal Staff

The Steelton-Highspire School Board will spend \$1.5 million on energy-efficiency improvements officials say will save the district \$2 million over 20 years. The potential savings were outlined in the preliminary findings of an energy audit conducted by McClure Company, of Harrisburg. Improvements include:

- Lighting upgrades.
- Cooling upgrades, including adding air conditioning to the high school gym, band room, athletic director's office, weight room, and auxiliary gym. "The district may consider floating a bond to pay for it," said Leigh Beth Zema, financial director for the district.

Debra Schell: 717-944-4628, or dschell@pressandjournal.com

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lower Swatara Township Zoning Hearing Board will hold a Public Hearing at the request of Penn State Harrisburg for a Special Exception in accordance with Chapter 27, Part 17, Section 1703, of the Lower Swatara Zoning Ordinance, No. 448, as amended, to permit a proposed building to be erected with a height in excess of the permitted 40 feet; and additionally, for a Variance in accordance with Chapter 27, Part 17, Section 1706, of the Lower Swatara Zoning Ordinance, No. 448, as amended, to permit the building to encroach into the required front yard setback. The property is on the Penn State Harrisburg Campus located on the north side of Route 230 at 777 West Harrisburg Pike, Middletown, PA 17057 within the Educational-Institutional (E-I) District.
Hearing will be held Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. at the Township Municipal Building, 1499 Spring Garden Drive, Middletown, PA 17057.
All interested parties are invited to attend.
Randall Breon Vice Chairman 5/9-2T #150
www.MyPublicNotices.com

Wanted

Part-time PRESS ASSISTANT

Versatile, energetic, reliable person for commercial printery.

Previous experience a plus.

Day & night shifts

Must be able to lift 50 lbs.

Drug testing required

Job involves repetitive work, bending and stretching

Stop in to complete application or e-mail: johnshaffer@pressandjournal.com

Part-time POSTPRESS

Reliable person for post-press material handling

Light lifting required • Days & Evenings • Retirees Welcome

Stop in to complete application or e-mail: johnshaffer@pressandjournal.com

PRESS AND JOURNAL

20 S. Union Street, Middletown, PA 17057

PLEASE FRIEND US ON FACEBOOK! YOUR FRIENDS AT THE PRESS AND JOURNAL

Students honored for right things



Hummelstown Police Chief Chuck Dowell, left, student **Melissa Cioffi**, and substitute teacher **Charlie Nelson** in the parking lot after the award presentation.

A high school senior and a South Hanover Elementary School second-grader were recently honored for doing the right thing by the Hummelstown Police and the Lower Dauphin Communities That Care.

The second-grader, Mathew Newman, was recognized for helping a classmate in trouble.

"Matt was sitting with a girl and noticed something was not right," explains teacher Rebecca Ebersole, who nominated him for the award. "He was aware that the little girl had a seizure disorder and quickly alerted adults. Because of his quick action, the girl was able to get her medication before she lost consciousness or any harm came to her."

At the high school, senior Melissa Cioffi was recognized for doing the right thing after the car she was driving struck a car in the school parking lot.

"Melissa struck my parked vehicle in the school parking lot leaving paint residue on the bumper as the only evidence of the accident," said substitute teacher Charlie Nelson. "She could have easily driven away, however Melissa sought out the school resource officer, principal and the vehicle's owner to explain her misdeed and to apologize. To me, that is a commendable deed — exhibiting good character when no one is present."

For their efforts, the students were given Do The Right Thing T-shirts and certificates. They also received a \$25 gift card to Kmart and a certificate for



Submitted Photos
Mathew Newman is congratulated by school counselor Liza Kalloz, LDCTC's Kathy Pepper and Hummelstown Police Chief Chuck Dowell.

a free pizza from Papa John's.

The Do the Right Thing program is modeled after a successful national program. Now in its fifth year, the program recognizes students in the Lower Dauphin community who have distinguished themselves through their accomplishments, attitude or outstanding efforts. This program provides a way to recognize good

deeds and reinforce exemplary behavior. The residents of the Lower Dauphin School District can see the many "good things" that the young people of their community are doing. They are learning that "good kids" are newsworthy, too. This program presents an opportunity for the community to thank its younger members for "doing the right thing."



Submitted photo
Lower Dauphin students take a break from rehearsals for the Pennsylvania Music Educators District 7 Youth String Festival.

Students hit the right string

More than 15 Lower Dauphin musicians participated in the Pennsylvania Music Educators District 7 Youth String Festival at Chambersburg Area School District.

The festival's concert was held on Saturday, April 28, with Jason Labrador and David McCormick serving as guest conductors.

Performing in the Vivace Orchestra

were Lower Dauphin Middle School students Ella Hickey, Sarah Dorwart, Olivia Kirsch, Sydney Natishin, Alexandra Nalesnik, Gillian Miller, Emalee Douglass, Abigail Mauger, Evelyn Bittle, Beth Rose Schindler, Gillian Dunleavy, and Laura Conway.

Performing in the Allegro Orchestra were the following elementary students:

Londonderry Elementary School — Nicholas Weaver and Maria Prymak.

Nye Elementary School — Madison Swartzlander and Madison Shradley.

South Hanover Elementary School — Ellah Ogden and Olivia Wagner.

The students were prepared for the festival by Melody Brubaker and Charity Judson.



NEWS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

LaVonne Ackerman

1438 Old Reliance Road, 939-5584 • LaVonneAck@comcast.net

Hello, people. Today we are going to talk about desserts. Sorry if you are dieting in order to fit into your bathing suit and summer wardrobe. I have a wicked sweet tooth and I think people who don't must have an easier time of losing weight.

Of course, if you are into carbs, chips and dip, and pizza and all kinds of breads. I imagine it would be hard to lose weight craving all of those things.

At least it doesn't cost any calories to talk about it. I hope you do take some time out and treat yourself to a favorite ice cream flavor or maybe your splurge is a big juicy cheeseburger.

I have a weakness for cookies, brownies, Turkey Hill Graham Slam ice cream, and chocolate. The chocolate can be dark or the milk kind. It is nice with peanuts or caramel. I don't care for coconut, so those kind of candy bars are easy for me to avoid. Check out some favorite desserts at the end of this column.

Maybe next week we should talk about favorite exercise ideas.

Have a great week and keep the news coming.

Birthdays

Briana Dunlap of Lower Swatara will hear the birthday song today, May 16. Happy sweet beep-beep birthday to you.

Friday, May 18 is the celebration day for **Karen Bendgen** of Lower Swatara. Hope your birthday is sunny and bright.

Best wishes for a fantastic Friday cake day to **Dan Fuoti** of Lower Swatara. Enjoy your May 16 party day.

Happy 23rd cake day to **Christina Bayura** of Lower Swatara. Many blessings to you and Grandma, too, who is celebrating with you.

Here's a shout out to **Zach Crumlich** of Lower Swatara as he observes his 20th birthday on May 18. Happy Birthday, Zach.

Anthony Condran of Lower Swatara celebrates his frosty-filled day on

Friday, May 18. Happy 17th.

If you see **Skiler Mullen** out and about Lower Swatara on Saturday, May 19, be sure to give him a happy and loud happy birthday greeting. He is 18.

Happy Saturday, May 19 birthday to **Michelle Berrones** of Lower Swatara. Hope your cake is super delicious.

Diego Berrones, do you share your cake at your house? Happy decade birthday to you. Enjoy being 10 and I hope your May 19 is extra special.

Norm Sheaffer of Lower Swatara will turn 86 on Saturday, May 19. Happy happy birthday to you.

Mark Wagner of Lower Swatara will observe his frosty-filled cake day on Sunday, May 20. Happy 14th birthday and may it be filled with lots of treats and good things to eat.

Todd Houser, Jr. of Lower Swatara will enjoy his birthday celebration on Monday, May 21. Best wishes for a sweet, sweet holiday just for you. Beep-honk-beep to you as you turn 16.

Hey **Scott Thompson** of Lower Swatara. Happy terrific Tuesday birthday to you as you relax and enjoy this entire week.

Dan Marion is turning the big 2-5 on Tuesday, May 22. Hope your day is especially fun and tasty too.

Anniversaries

Happy 21st anniversary to **Mike & Kim Carroll** of Lower Swatara. They mark their hearts-and-flowers day on Thursday, May 18. Hope you can enjoy a candlelight dinner.

Happy 52nd wedding anniversary to **Charlie & Judy Stare** of Lower

Swatara. Wow! Congrats to you both and hope your Monday, May 21 day is very special.

Stork Wore Blue

Best wishes to Dane and Valerie Domingue (daughter of Howard and Cathy Crawford of Lower Swatara) on the arrival of their beautiful baby boy, Cooper David. Cooper was born on April 20. He weighed in at 8 lbs. 11oz. and was 21¾ inches long. This precious family lives in Baton Rouge, LA. Congrats and enjoy.

Township meetings

The following Lower Swatara meetings will be held at the municipal building located on Spring Garden Drive: board of commissioners on May 16 at 7 p.m. and municipal authority on May 21 at 7 p.m.

Question of the Week

What is your favorite dessert?

"Cheesecake from Capitol Diner." - **Alex Pryor**, 8, Swatara.

"Coconut Cream Pie made by the 230 Cafe' in Highspire." - **Bernie Sobotka**, Lower Swatara.

"Cookies & Cream ice cream." - **Timothy Wagner**, 9, Lower Swatara.

"Chocolate ice cream with chocolate syrup." - **Minda Rhodes**, 6, Hummelstown.

"My grandma's chocolate cake with peanut butter icing." - **Drew Rhodes**, 10, Hummelstown.

"Reeses Peanut Butter Cup Sundae from Friendly's." - **Taylor Lloyd**, 18, Swatara.

Proverb for the Day

"Better a little with the fear of the Lord than great wealth with turmoil." (15:16)

Waggin Tails Pet Camp

Your Pet's Vacation Place!

OPENING MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

717.930.0103

880 OBERLIN ROAD, MIDDLETOWN
waggingtailspetcamp@yahoo.com • www.waggingtailspetcamp.com
Emily Botterbusch - Owner / Operator

Mike's Concrete

Backhoe & Bobcat Work
SMALL or BIG JOBS

- Driveways
- Patios
- Curbing
- Basement Floors
- Sidewalks
- Dump Truck
- Steps
- Hauling
- Backhoe Work
- Garage Floors

FREE ESTIMATES 717.939.3288

Mike Shaver
PA #014022

Sharp Cuts

124 W. Main Street, Middletown
944-1000

...HOURS...
Monday 1-8; Tuesday 12-8
Wednesday Closed; Thursday 10-8
Friday 9-8; Saturday 8-12

10% Senior Citizen Discount Everyday!

FINANCING FOR WHATEVER MOVES YOU...

I'M THERE

From cars to trucks, motorcycles to RVs, let State Farm Bank® finance or refinance all the things that move you. Call today for more information on your vehicle loan.

Call today for more information.

Steve Lane
State Farm Agent
Middletown, PA 17057
Bus: 717-944-1308
www.stevlane.org

Bank

statefarm.com®

State Farm Bank, F.S.B. • Middletown, IL

Member FDIC LENDER

NEED A NOTARY?

Call or Stop In Our Office

PRESS AND JOURNAL

20 S. Union Street, Middletown **944-4628**
or email: info@pressandjournal.com

Visit... **FAMILYPOOLFUN.COM**

- Our pools create Generations of Memories everyday, vacations never end!
- Aboveground & Inground pools at **WHOLESALE PRICING**
- **SIMPLE** DIY Pool Kit Assembly
- **SAVE MONEY** on All Pool Supplies & Accessories. Ships Fast

Call Today! **800-950-2210**

Town Topics



News & happenings for Middletown and surrounding areas.

Press And Journal early deadlines

In observance of the Memorial Day holiday the Press And Journal office will be closed Monday, May 28. For the May 30 edition of the Press And Journal the deadline will be Friday, May 25: classified ads, 9 a.m.; public notices, 10 a.m., and yard sales, noon.

Community dinner

Evangelical United Methodist Church, 157 E. Water St., Middletown, is sponsoring a baked ziti and meatball dinner on Monday, May 21 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., or until sold out. Menu also includes salad, Italian bread, dessert, and beverage.

Tickets will be available at the door. For more information call 944-6181.

L. Swatara F.D. ham dinner

The Lower Swatara Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary is hosting an all-you-can-eat dine-in only ham dinner on Sunday, May 20 from 11 a.m. to ? at the Lower Swatara Fire Hall, 1350 Fulling Mill Rd., Middletown.

All takeout dinners are single serving. For more information or to join the Auxiliary call 986-9059.

Basketball camp

The 2012 Bob Schlosser Basketball Day Camp for Boys will be held June 25-29. Discount available for early registration.

For more information, call 717 361-1141.

Middletown

Chief declines comment on rumor he resigned

By Jim Lewis
Press And Journal Staff

Chris Courogen, borough secretary and communications director, said he was not aware of any resignation. Mayor Robert Reid did not return phone calls to his home. Borough Council appointed Sweitzer as acting chief on Jan. 3 to replace Keith Reismiller, who retired. Sweitzer made about \$95,000 a year, the same salary Reismiller was earning. Sweitzer worked as a police officer for 30 years, joining the Middletown force in 1986. He worked his way up to sergeant before earning a promotion to detective.

Jim Lewis: 717-944-4628, or jim-lewis@pressandjournal.com

WEST NILE

Continued From Page One

this year,” said DEP Secretary Mike Krancer.

Typically, the state’s first West Nile Virus-carrying mosquito is found in mid-June. The previous earliest find came on May 17, 2011. Last year, West Nile virus was detected in 59 counties, resulting in six human cases reported statewide, according to DEP.

Pennsylvania began an integrated pest management program to fight West Nile in 2004. Since then, state officials said, identification and control of mosquito populations has improved.

Borough officials said it is not likely the mosquitoes came from the treatment plant, because its ponds are constantly agitated. Mosquito larvae hatch in stagnant pools.

However, borough Secretary Chris Courogen said, the “treatment plant will remain vigilant to make sure there are no conditions to foster” mosquitoes.

Although most people do not become ill when infected with West Nile virus, all are at risk, state health officials said. Older adults and those with compromised immune systems have the highest risk of becoming ill and developing severe complications.

“Since there is no human vaccine for West Nile virus, the best way to prevent infection is to take precautions to avoid getting mosquito bites,” said state Department of Health Secretary Dr. Eli Avila.

Health officials recommend the following to reduce mosquito growth:

- Treat stagnant pools of water with products containing Bti (Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis) – naturally occurring bacteria that kills mosquito larvae but is safe for people, pets and plants.
- Remove any standing water in pots, containers, pool covers, tires, wheelbarrows, wading pools, roof gutters and other containers that hold water.
- Make sure screens fit tightly over doors and windows to keep mosquitoes out of homes.
- Wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants and socks when outdoors, particularly when mosquitoes are most active at dawn and dusk, or in areas known for having large numbers of mosquitoes.
- Reduce outdoor exposure at dawn and dusk during peak mosquito periods, usually April through October.
- Use insect repellents according to the manufacturer’s instructions. An effective repellent will contain DEET, picaridin, or oil of lemon eucalyptus. Consult with a pediatrician or family physician if you have questions about the use of repellent on children, as repellent is not recommended for children under the age of two months.

No human cases of WNV have been reported in Dauphin County.

To learn more about WNV and prevention, visit the CDC’s Web site at www.cdc.gov/westnile. For more information about Dauphin County’s WNV Control Program, contact Eric Naguski, program coordinator, at 717-921-8100.

Garry Lenton: 717-944-4628, or glenton@pressandjournal.com



Middletown Area Middle School Band Director Sam Martin conducts the concert band during his last performance on Thursday, May 10.

MARTIN

Continued From Page One

“You have taught me so much over the last ten years. You’ve made such an amazing impact on my life by helping me achieve goals that I never thought I could reach.” – Lauren Henries, MAHS senior.

“Music is Sam Martin. May the Sousa March never cease to keep you in step with the joy of your heart and may you always carry the music of your students closely.” – Christy Frey, class of 1992 and former clarinet and E flat Alto clarinet player.

“Thank you for everything you’ve done to help me on my musical journey. Your help from middle school has helped me a lot at the high school and will continue the further I go with my musical career.” – Brett Altland, MAHS freshman.

“Thank you, Mr. Martin, for making us better musicians, but more importantly, better people. You believed in us all – we knew it and it meant everything.” – Katie Etter Jenkins, class of 1996.

“I am so grateful for Mr. Martin’s support and encouragement. In my busy adult life, I now have a greater appreciation for the time and effort he put into making sure we did the best we could.” – Ben Leto, class of 1997.

And so it went. Accolade after accolade for Martin.

–Michael Rozman
Dauphin County chief deputy district attorney

“First of all, you shouldn’t do what they tried to do, but if you do you should have your act together, and these guys were far from having their act together.”

GANG

Continued From Page One

remember which one, Rozman said.

The intended victim called the police. When the four, now outside the apartment building, turned a corner, they were confronted by Hiester, said Rozman.

Ramos pointed the rifle at Hiester and pulled the trigger, but the gun didn’t fire, police said. The four fled, throwing their guns, coats and ski masks as they ran, Rozman said.

Zaleski and Barnhart-Proctor were arrested soon afterward at their homes by the U.S. Marshall’s Fugitive Task Force, authorities said.

Ramos took a bus from Harrisburg to Victorville, Calif., after the attempted robbery, authorities said. He was arrested seven months later in San Bernardino County by a sheriff’s deputy who was investigating a noise disturbance at an Apple Valley home and Ramos was extradited to Pennsylvania, Middletown police said. Authorities said they believe Ramos was planning to flee to Mexico, where his relatives live.

The gang was intent on committing an armed robbery that night, but “they just screwed up,” said Rozman.

“First of all, you shouldn’t do what they tried to do, but if you do you should have your act together,” he said, “and these guys were far from having their act together.”



Local news, sports, special features and opinions. The newspaper is your “one-stop shop” for everything you want to know when you want to read about it.

So Local It’s Scary!

PRESS AND JOURNAL

20 S. Union Street
Middletown
717.944.4628
info@pressandjournal.com

CASH PAID FOR SCRAP

for Copper, Aluminum, Brass, Stainless, Light & Heavy Iron, Whole Cars w/Title

Buyer of Scrap Metal
Ferrous
Non-Ferrous



Container Service
Commercial
Clean-Ups

ROYALTON RECYCLING

3 Hollendale Street, Royalton
717.944.4822 Fax • www.RoyaltonRecycling.com
Monday-Friday 8 am-5 pm • Saturday 8 am-Noon

Jim Lewis: 717-944-4628, or jim-lewis@pressandjournal.com

Mother tans at salon while kids wait in car

By Jim Lewis
Press And Journal Staff

A Lancaster County woman was charged by police with leaving her 6-year-old daughter and 10-month-old son in her idling parked car while she went to a tanning salon in Elizabethtown.

Krista Mann, of Maytown, was in a tanning bed when an Elizabethtown police officer discovered the car, parked at an expired meter on East Park Street around 10 a.m. Saturday, May 5.

Mann was charged with two counts of endangering the welfare of children and two counts of leaving an unattended child in a motor vehicle, police said. She also was charged with driving under suspension.

The police officer was checking for expired meters when he found the girl, dressed in a soccer uniform and sitting on the center console, and the boy, strapped in a child restraint seat in the back seat, in the car, its driver’s window rolled down about an inch, police said.

LD Softball

Falcons dominate Rams 7-2

By Tom Klemick
For The Press And Journal

It seems that no matter the sport or season, Lower Dauphin and Central Dauphin always play each other tough.

Whether it's field hockey in the fall, basketball in the winter, or softball in the spring, these two schools come to play when facing off with the other.

So it should come as no surprise that the Lady Falcons' 7-2 victory over the green and white on Friday, May 11 was harder-fought than the final score indicated.

In a possible preview of this year's Mid-Penn Conference championship game, a one-loss LD squad took on a one-loss Ram team on CD's home turf in both schools' regular season finale.

Coming off their first loss of 2012 to Big Spring just two days earlier, the Falcons wouldn't have an easy go of things. The Rams, with their seniors playing their final home contest, weren't exactly the kind of team you look forward to playing in a "bounce-back" game. But besting another of the strongest teams in the midstate made the win that much sweeter.

Lower Dauphin struck first in the top of the second. Third baseman Kylie Jeffries got things going with a single to left field and centerfielder Elaine Gross followed up by lacing a

Please See FALCONS, Page B2

MASD Girls' Soccer



Photo By Greg Pickel

Middletown Area Middle School, varsity and junior varsity girls' soccer teams went undefeated this season. Pictured are, first row: Courtney Quaca, Shannon Reese, Ava Mrakovich, Alexa Fulmer, Cheyanne Frayre, Lydia Hursh, Camryn Williams, Sam Romberger, Alyssa Ebersole, and Brooke Sides. Middle: Meaghan Nelson, Jenny Hardison, Alexis Ulrich, Kelsey Eisenhour, Kenya Littles, Kayleigh Kurts, Brynn Northrup, Cameron Johnson, Jess Knisley, and Rowan Sessa. Back: Coach Conner, Katie Kinkel, Taylor Kolish, Maddy Jorich, Braelyn Zavoda, Mia Studenroth, Alli Dozier, Katie Kennedy, Nicole Whittle, Bianca Jasper, Anina Martin, and Coach Tim Neff.

Middletown Area Middle School's up-and-coming girls' soccer teams, varsity and junior varsity, beat or tied all comers in 2012.

By Greg Pickel
Press And Journal Staff

It's not often that two teams in one program go undefeated, but that's exactly what the Middletown varsity, junior varsity and middle school girls' soccer teams did this season, amassing 17 wins on their way to two

perfect seasons.

"I'm very proud of what our girls accomplished this season, they were all unselfish and did what we asked them to do," head coach Tim Neff said.

The varsity team - which finished 9-0-1 - was made up of 14 eighth-graders and four seventh-graders, and overall, saw seven

different goals scorers, and 12 different point scorers this season.

"The girls really played well together, passed well, and were willing to listen to what I was coaching them to do. That's part of why they were so successful," Neff said.

Please See SOCCER, Page B2

Track & Field

Falcons, Raiders advance to districts

By Greg Pickel
Press And Journal Staff

Middletown Area and Lower Dauphin will be represented in the PIAA District 3 track and field competition next week at Shippensburg University.

Middletown Area

Middletown throwers and runners continued a school tradition of advancing at the Mid-Penn Conference championships held Saturday at Chambersburg Area High School.

Robert Doster headlined the Blue Raiders' day on the boys' side by defending his tournament pre-seed and winning the Mid-Penn championship with a 193' 02" throw of the javelin, which outdistanced the runner-up by just over 6 feet.

Gualberto Santos and Josh Hurley also qualified. Santos finished fourth in the pole vault with a vault of 13' 06", and Hurley soared 20' 06" in the long jump, good for a fifth-place finish and a spot at districts.

Isaiah Hollowman and Jeremy Shaver also competed in the event, but neither qualified for Districts.

Doster's victory helped propel Middletown to 19 team points, giving them a 13th place finish.

On the girls' side, Kristen Myers

Please See DISTRICTS, Page B3

MAHS Baseball



Photo By Bill Darrah

The 2012 Blue Raiders' baseball team gathers for a photo with longtime Press And Journal sportswriter Larry Etter after the team's last home game of the season.

Seniors take the mound in finale

By Larry Etter
Press And Journal Staff

Even though they showed the emotions that come with the realization that their scholastic careers are suddenly over, the six of them went out with

pride and class.

Honored prior to their final baseball game as Middletown athletes, the seniors and their underclassmen teammates went down fighting Friday in a 7-5 loss to visiting Central Dauphin East. And it was not yet another loss

that brought on the tears, it was simply the fact that they would no longer be Blue Raiders together.

Despite the losses that outnumbered the wins in a trying and sometimes disappointing season, they were successful in different ways. They enjoyed the victories and dealt with the setbacks as a team and never gave up. And the fan support stayed with them all season long, proof of which showed as a sizeable gathering gave them a proper sendoff on Friday.

Head coach Mike Carnes appreciated the efforts and team camaraderie as well. As a show of respect for his 12th-graders, the first-year mentor made the season finale fun by moving players around so that each one of them got to pitch in the last game. Brendon Parkhill started the game and pitched two innings, Dylan Grim threw in the third, Louis Hile took the mound in the fourth, Derek Wagner pitched the fifth, Joey Owens took over in the sixth, and Ryan Trafecanty the seventh.

Middletown 8, Steelton-High 2

On the positive side the Blue Raiders did pick up an 8-2 victory the day before against the Steel-High Rollers on windy Cottage Hill.

In a nondivisional contest that had been rescheduled from Monday, Middletown jumped to an early 3-0 lead and coasted to the win. Freshman Nathan Ocker earned the pitching victory and had plenty of support from his defense and offense. Ocker struck out six, issued just two walks and gave up just one hit in six innings of work. The single run against him was unearned.

Parkhill led off the game with a single against Steel-High starter Niguel Rodriguez and Grim followed with another single. With two on, Hile drove a double to the centerfield fence

plating 2 runs. With two outs, Jordan Flowers singled in Hile from third for run number 3.

In the home half of the first inning J. C. Brandt reached base on an error and later scored on a sacrifice fly by Will Hawkins.

The Blue Raiders plated 2 more runs in the top of the second to make it a 5-1 game. With one out, Ryan Popp singled but was out at second trying to stretch the hit into a double. But Parkhill's bloop single to right kept the inning alive. After stealing second, Parkhill scored on Grim's double to left. Hile's RBI single gave the Raiders their fifth run. In the bottom of the second a two-out walk, followed by a hit batsman and another walk, loaded the bases with Rollers as Steel-High threatened. But Ocker induced a pop-up to short center by Brandt to get out of the jam.

The Raiders tacked on another run in the top of the third when Flowers, safe on an error with one out, raced to third on Ocker's hit-and-run single. He scored when Josh Matincheck reached base on another Steel-High error.

The Rollers went down in order in the third, fourth, and fifth frames. But the Raiders were held scoreless during the same span.

The drought was broken when Middletown plated 2 more runs in the top of the seventh.

Hile led off with a single and made it to third on Nick Drawbaugh's double to right. Both runners were knocked home on a 2-run single by Cody Fox. Up by an 8-1 count Ocker gave way to Zac Sims. A leadoff double by Wes Hawkins eventually led to a Steel-High run when Sims was called for a balk with Hawkins on third. But Sims struck out the last two Roller batters to lock down the victory.

Please See RAIDERS, Page B2

CELEBRATE and SAVE

53rd Anniversary Sale

No Card Needed To Save!

www.karnsfoods.com

1 31/40 CT. EZ PEEL LARGE SHRIMP **4.99 lb.** SAVE \$1 LB. SOLD IN 2 LB. BAGS

2 STEAKS \$7.99 LB.

3 LESSER AMOUNTS \$1.99

4 RICHFOOD DOZEN LARGE EGGS **10 for \$10** SAVE 30¢

5 GLAD 15-25 CT. QT. OR GAL. FREEZER/STORAGE GLAD BAGS **10 for \$10** SAVE 66¢ EA.

6 15 LB. AVG. WHOLE SEEDLESS WATERMELONS **4.99 ea.**

7 BUFFALO STYLE DELI TURKEY BREAST **4.99 lb.** SAVE \$2 LB.

8 COUNTRY STYLE BONE-IN PORK SPARE RIBS **1.79 lb.** SAVE \$1 LB.

9 CRISP ICEBURG, ROMAINE, RED OR GREEN LETTUCE **1.29 ea.** SAVE 70¢ EA.

10 FRESH BONE-IN WHOLE 15 LB. AVG. PORK LOINS **1.69 lb.** SAVE 30¢ LB.

\$5 off \$50 PURCHASE

With this coupon and a \$50 or more purchase get \$5 off your order! Excludes stamps, money orders, gift cards, cigarettes, tobacco and milk. Limit 1 per family. PLU#669

PRICES EFFECTIVE 5/15/12 - 5/21/12

BOILING SPRINGS 258-1458	HARRISBURG 545-4731	HERSHEY 533-6445	LEMOYNE 763-0165
MECHANICSBURG 901-6967	MIDDLETOWN 944-7486	NEW BLOOMFIELD 582-4028	

KARNSFOODS.COM

Lowest Prices on Swiss Premium Milk

The BARGAIN LOT

Only at Turner Kia

see Joe!

2001 JEEP WRANGLER stk#K2419A \$9,495	2002 CHEV TRAILBLAZER stk#K106127 \$6,998	2007 ISUZU ASCENDER S stk#K106022A \$7,799
2007 PONTIAC TORRENT stk#K2385A \$8,949	2002 CHEV AVALANCHE stk#K2351A \$7,999	2006 SATURN ION stk#K2405AA \$6,988
2004 CHEVY BLAZER stk#K106038A \$5,499	2002 FORD EXPLORER stk#K2216A \$4,866	2005 KIA SEDONA stk#K106132AA \$7,377

stk#106112 **2002 FORD WINDSTAR LX \$3,995**
 stk#K2435A **2004 SATURN VUE..... \$6,995**
 stk#K2399A **2004 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE 4x4 \$6,477**
 stk#106124C **2003 HYUNDAI TIBURON..... \$5,995**
 stk#106061A **2004 FORD EXPLORER 4X4 \$7,999**

WWW.TURNERKIA.COM
"THE SMART CHOICE"
717-564-2240
4201 CHAMBERS HILL ROAD
HARRISBURG

PRE-OWNED TURNER SUPERSTORE
 "We Take Care of You"

Hunting the North Carolina longbeard can be hit, or miss

For me, the 2012 wild turkey season began in North Carolina, not as a hunter but as a guide for Choanoke Outfitters. My turkey expertise was obtained through years of trial and error in the mountains of Lycoming County. Pursuing this magnificent bird for about 40 years I have gained knowledge and respect for this wary adversary. I have won some battles and have lost my share with spring gobblers.

Luck and persistence are two important elements in claiming a spring prize. Of course, good calling and woodsmanship cannot be overlooked.

Well, my client was from Michigan, near Dearborn. He booked a two-day guided hunt. As I wondered why the state of North Carolina was on his hunting destination, it was clear after he told me he wanted to hunt all 50 states.

The day before he arrived I did some scouting on a farm recently leased. I found a beautiful spot overlooking a small grass clearing. A huge tree made a perfect set-up.

The afternoon was beautiful and what I saw had me excited for the next day.

I saw four mature gobblers from my small grass clearing. They were strolling through some large hemlock stands, and with evening approaching I knew they wouldn't be far from their roost.

My plan was set for the next morning. I would position my hen and Jake decoys 25 to 30 yards from the base of the large tree. Any turkey approaching the clearing from any direction would see the decoys and, hopefully, give Randy a clear shot.

That evening at the lodge, I felt confident that I did my homework. Randy would have a good chance to harvest a North Carolina Longbeard.



Photo By Jodi Ocker
Louis Hile is welcomed at home plate by his teammates after hitting a homerun that tied the game against Central Dauphin East. East went on to win the game, 7-5.

RAIDERS

Continued From Page One

CD East 7, Middletown 5

Although their final game ended in a loss to the Panthers, the Blue Raiders gave a good account of themselves and played hard right to the end. After four innings of action the Raiders pulled ahead of their guests with a 5-4 lead. But the Panthers scored 3 runs in the top of the fifth and turned back a late rally attempt to claim the win.

After grabbing the early lead with 2 runs in the top of the first, the Panthers saw that lead slip away in the home half of the opening frame. With two outs, Trafecanty was hit by a pitch from A.J. Antolick and was replaced by courtesy runner Zach Buell who stole second. Hile stepped into the batter's box and came through big time with a 2-run home run blast over the left field fence that tied the score. Owens and Wagner followed with back-to-back singles but were left stranded on a groundout.

Both teams were held scoreless in the second but CD East picked up a go-ahead run in the top of the third. A two-out double by Branden Rathbun and an RBI single by Jeff Falcone gave the Panthers a 3-2 edge. Not to be outdone, the Raiders knotted the score in the home half of the inning. Owens, who had hit into a fielder's choice that forced Hile out a second, stole second and raced home on a clutch RBI single by Wagner that tied the game at 3-3.

The Panthers again took the lead, scoring on a sacrifice fly in the top of the fourth. And, once again, the Blue Raiders answered. After leading off the home half of the fourth with an infield single, Fox went to second on Popp's sac bunt and moved to third on a passed ball.

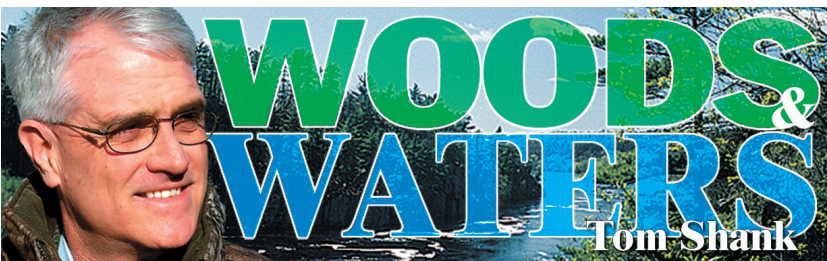
One out later Grim stroked a sharp double down the left field line to drive in Fox for the tying run. After Grim reached third on a wild pitch, Trafecanty singled him in to give Middletown a 5-4 lead.

But East used three hits, a Middletown error, a walk, and a hit batsman to their advantage by scoring 3 runs in the top of the fifth to move out in front, 7-5.

In the bottom of the fifth Fox singled with two outs but was left stranded as East held onto its lead. After hitting the Panthers' leadoff batter to start the sixth, Owens recorded three straight strikeouts to prevent further damage.

In the bottom of the sixth, Grim's one-out infield single put a Raider runner on base, but he, too, was left stranded. Following a good inning with Trafecanty on the mound, the Raiders tried to rally in the bottom of the seventh. With two outs, Sims was hit by a pitch, and Fox singled to give the Raiders a chance. But Popp went down swinging for the third out and the rally was turned back by the Panthers.

Larry Etter can be reached at larryetter66@gmail.com



We left the lodge at 4 a.m., wanting to be settled in way before daylight. Randy was an experienced turkey hunter, and as we walked to my set-up location no sticks or undue noise was generated.

I found the set-up tree and told Randy to get situated while I placed the decoys and sat on Randy's left.

The woods began to wake from its sleep. A barred owl hooted his way down from us with no response from any turkeys. Just when I thought all was lost, a crow started to shout continuously and immediately five gobblers reacted with their thundering announcements. Gobble, Gobble, Gobble!

Three of them sounded close. The

other two were farther out. I waited until 6:15 and left out a few soft yelps and clucks from my slate call. All three turkeys gobbled back to me. We were in their back pocket, so close I should hear them fly down from their roost.

About an hour went by before we could tell the gobbling was coming from the ground and not in the trees. I worked the closest gobbler with some hen cutting which agitated him into double gobbling.

I made the decision not to call anymore to allow the gobbler to search us out, and he did. At about 70 yards I could see his white- and red-colored head cautiously approach, stopping periodically to let out loud

gobbles with several full fan struts to add to the excitement. Suddenly, another gobbler showed.

We had two gobblers together and both were on their way toward us. Randy was positioned perfectly with his gun and both gobblers closed the distance until finally both were in the decoys. The largest bird strutted around the hen decoy while the other gobbler watched.

I whispered into Randy's ear to shoot when he was ready. His shotgun blast broke the morning silence. He aimed and shot but to both our amazement nothing dropped. In fact, the gobbler took off running with his wing dangling. Randy apparently dropped the shot and struck the gobbler low on its body. I was up and running after the gobbler once Randy's gun was jammed by short-stoking the pump.

I ran as quick as I could in the direction the gobbler took. I saw him twice at about 40 yards but with no gun I was helpless. I puckered out near a creek with no signs of the Randy's gobbler.

We both were dejected. I know

how Randy felt and I felt just as bad for him. Here was a good hunter with good equipment. He did everything right. He sat quietly and motionless. He was camouflaged and made all the right moves concluding with the shot.

The only missing segment in this whole plan was that the shot was low. Was it his gun, or was it Randy?

Once back at the lodge, Randy shot his gun at 30 yards at a paper turkey target. His shot pattern was excellent with many pellets in the kill zone. We both concluded it was not the gun but the hunter who pulled the shot.

Randy left North Carolina after his two-day turkey hunt with no tar-heel longbeard. He hunted the rest of his scheduled hunt with turkeys seen but no shot.

I wished it would have ended differently for Randy. But hunting is never a guarantee. Sometimes you do everything right to a point, but sometimes it just isn't meant to be.

Tom Shank can be reached at ishank38@comcast.net

MAHS Girls' Soccer



Photo By Bill Darrah
Middletown's Class of 2012 and their families were honored Thursday night before the game with Susquehanna Twp. From left, are seniors Taylor Sauder, Courtney Freeburn, Megan Carroll, Tiana Blanding, Morgan Ayala, Taylor Snavelly, and Sarah Wong.

7 seniors, head coach say farewell

By Greg Pickel
Press And Journal Staff

The 2013 girls high school soccer season will bring a host of changes for Middletown, but not just in the sense that they will be the first team in Middletown history to play during the fall.

Chris Hunter has resigned as head coach after 16 seasons, citing family as the main reason.

"I need a break, and the program needs new blood," Hunter said. "Both my sons are playing sports now, and I want to get more involved in their development."

The team will also say farewell to seven seniors- Morgan Ayala, Tiana Blanding, Megan Carroll, Courtney Freeburn, Taylor Snavelly, Taylor Sauder, and Sarah Wong.

"This group of seniors did anything I asked of them, and any role I asked these girls to fulfill they were more than willing to do what was best for the team," Hunter said.

"I always joked around with people saying my players were the daughters that I never had, but they really never knew that I really meant it," he said. "I always pushed them to do their best all of the time so they could accomplish as much as possible."

As for the season itself, it was a struggle throughout with various injuries, but Hunter said there were some bright spots in the team's 5-13 record.

The hardships gave some younger players a chance to step up. Players like sophomore Britany MacBlane and freshman Karlee Diebler, who combined for 16 goals.

"MacBlane had a great season as a sophomore who didn't expect to make the team, and Diebler excelled at forward as a freshman," Hunter said.

And on defense, sophomore Brittney Zavoda developed into one of the best defenders in the league, he said.

Some of the upperclassmen also benefited from position changes during the second half of the season.

"Snavelly did a great job moving from sweeper to midfield and picked up the position rather quickly," Hunter said. "We moved Blanding to marking back and she was able to stay with most players on offense as a result of her speed, and Ayala scored 4 goals in five games once we moved her up to forward."

As for Hunter, it was a bittersweet ending to a lengthy career that finishes at 172-121-12 with five division titles, four division Coach of the Year awards,

and a Mid-Penn Conference Coach of the Year award in 2001.

"I had a lot of highs and some lows here as the soccer coach," he said. "I may have done one or two things differently if I had to do it all over again, but I would never have traded the experience for anything."

"The relationships I have built with so many players and coaches over the years have been great," he said. "Watching the transformation of so many young girls into young women has been special. I am sure I will miss it, but on to other things."

As for his future plans, Hunter said he plans to continue coaching basketball at Middletown.

Greg Pickel: flyersfan80@aol.com

See Don For:
Your Best Deal For New & Used Cars & Trucks
Sutliff
DON STAGO Bus. 234-4444 Cell 940-4963
13th & Paxton Sts., Harrisburg

SOCCKER

Continued From Page One

Braelyn Zavoda led all goal scorers with Alexis Ulrich and Bianca Jasper rounding out the top three for the varsity team, which had a goal differential of +33.

As for the junior varsity side, assistant varsity coach and head JV coach Bryce Connor watched his girls finish with an 8-0-2 mark, and a +29 goal differential.

"It was a great group of kids to work with," Connor said.

"The undefeated record speaks for itself, but the girls just wanted to get better every day."

Greg Pickel: flyersfan80@aol.com

Continued From Page One

triple that scored Jeffries and got the Falcons on the board early.

Then, with a gusting wind blowing out toward the left field foul pole, Megan Donlan launched a double over CD leftfielder Halley Rose's outstretched glove, plating Gross and making it 2-0 visitors.

The Falcons went back to work in the top of the third. Lead-off batter Casey Alcorn started the inning with a broken-bat single to center field. Cleanup hitter Maddie Kotchey picked up LD's third extra-base hit of the game when she smashed a double to left field that scored Alcorn and extended her team's lead to 3-0.

But after having trouble figuring out Falcon starting pitcher Katie Moosic in the first few innings, Central Dauphin got to her in the third. After a Rose slap hit to left field, second baseman Renee Foster reached base with a

bunt single.

Rams' pitcher Taylor Henry helped himself by singling to left and plating Rose to make it 3-1. Catcher Carly Boyer walked and right fielder Haley Shutt was hit by a pitch that allowed Foster to score and cut her team's deficit in half. Luckily for Lower Dauphin, Moosic was able to get CD shortstop Michelle Bird to ground out to first base for the third out, leaving the bases loaded to end the inning.

The Falcons capitalized in the top of the fifth when a Central Dauphin error led to two blue and white runs. Both Kotchey and Jeffries crossed the plate in the stanza.

But the Rams threatened again in the bottom half of the same inning. Henry started things with an infield single, Boyer reached on an error and Shutt walked. With the bases loaded and only one out, it looked like a big CD inning was imminent. But Donlan made a relief appearance inside the circle that proved crucial. She struck out Bird and got center fielder Justina Vargas to pop out to third. The inning

ended, LD avoided a Central Dauphin comeback and the home team was left wondering what could have been.

The Falcons got two insurance runs in the sixth thanks to Moosic's double and an Alcorn single down the left field line. Donlan sat down the Rams 1-2-3 in both the sixth and seventh innings to seal the victory and improve Lower Dauphin to 19-1 (12-0 in divisional play) on the year.

There now remains a fair chance that Lower Dauphin, champions of the Keystone Division, will face the Commonwealth winners in CD in a rematch of Friday's contest in the Mid-Penn championship game.

As of this writing, the Falcons were set to take on the Colonial champs from Northern, while Central Dauphin (15-2 overall, 10-1 in divisional play) was gearing up for a contest against the Capital leaders in Susquehanna, with the winners of each game facing off in the title matchup. Don't be surprised if you see LD and the Rams meet up one more time in the District 3 playoffs later this month.

Vastine's Auto Service
231 OAK HILL DRIVE • MIDDLETOWN • 944-7154

PA STATE INSPECTIONS
Lube • Oil • Filter Services
• OIL CHANGES
• ENGINE DIAGNOSIS
• DRIVEABILITY PROBLEMS
• AIR CONDITIONER REPAIRS

Open Weekdays 8 am-5:30 pm
Closed Sat.

Gipe
FLOOR & WALL COVERING

Carpet • Sheet Vinyl • Ceramic Tile • Vinyl Tile
Hardwood • Laminates • Floor Care Products

Visit Our Complete Showroom

DO-IT-YOURSELF or HAVE IT INSTALLED
by OUR OWN EXPERT MECHANICS

5435 Jonestown Rd., Harrisburg
545-6103 • 545-9859
Mon.-Fri. 9-5; Mon., Thurs., Fri. 6-9; Sat. 9-3
www.gipefloorandwallcovering.com • PA009846

Check In-Store Specials

VISA K-Mart RT. 22 Home Depot

Old Hess Gas

Gipe

WET BASEMENTS STINK !!

Mold, mildew and water leakage into your basement causes health and foundation damage. What can be done to fix the problem? Allstate American Waterproofing is an honest, hardworking local company. We will give you a **FREE** evaluation and estimate and a fair price. We have repaired thousands of basements in the area; we can provide local references. When your neighbors needed waterproofing, they called Allstate American. Why don't you? Call now to receive a 20% discount with your **FREE ESTIMATE**. MHIC#36672

CALL 1 800 420 7783 NOW!
www.dryfloor.com

Teener Baseball

Highspire ends 3-game slide

By Doug McCarthy
For The Press And Journal

Highspire 19, Middletown 4

Highspire (1-3) traveled to Oak Hills on Thursday, May 10, where it ended a three-game slide with a 19-4 win over rival Middletown (1-2).

Highspire came into the game on a 3-game losing streak, which included frustrating losses to Lower Dauphin (12-7), Harrisburg (9-1), and Dauphin (17-6).

In search of a strong and dominate start, Highspire delivered quickly starting off with a leadoff single by Jayron Grayer who eventually scored after stealing second and third. Highspire went on to bat around and scored 6 runs in the first off two hits, five walks, a hit batter, and an error. Middletown got 1 run back in the bottom of the first when Zachary Paul singled with one out, stole second, and moved to

third on a single by John Ponnett. Paul scored on a wild pitch.

Middletown's pitchers struggled to find the strike zone after Highspire's Devin George singled to start the top of the second. They gave up six walks, numerous wild pitches, and an RBI single by Justin DeWalt, which put Highspire up 12 to 1 after two innings. After a strike out to start the top of the third, Middletown pitching gave up three singles in a row to Tyler Gardner, Keagan Shay, and Alex Furlan, which took the score to 15-1.

Middletown picked up a run in the bottom of the third when Griffen Radabaugh scored after an error at second base.

It was not a cake walk for Highspire's pitchers, either. Middletown cut the lead to 15-4 in the bottom of the fourth when Stephen Kleinfelter and Casey Rafaj scored after several walks and wild pitches. Highspire ended the game in the top of the fifth on a three-

RBI double by Jonathan Ferrer that scored K. Shay, Jakya Scott-Williams, and Tyler Ruggles.

Jonathan scored the 19th and final run on an RBI fielders choice by Matt Pilnitz to take game one of a three-game season series. Middletown next visits Highspire on May 29 at 6 p.m.

On Deck

Highspire looks to put its 0-3 start behind them and gain additional momentum in a key matchup against Wormleysburg on Wednesday, May 16.

Wormleysburg and Highspire are currently tied for the most league championships (4) in the history of the Tri-County Teener League. The game will begin at 6 p.m. at Highspire Memorial Park, which just opened its new concession stand after numerous donations from Highspire and Steelton businesses and individuals.

DISTRICTS

Continued From Page One

threw a 111'05" strike with the javelin, good for sixth place, and 3 team points, to move on to Saturday's de-facto state qualifier.

Jaelise Thompson and Jeyliane Rivera also competed at Mid-Penns, but neither placed.

The girls finished with 3 team points, good for a 24th place finish.

Lower Dauphin

For the Falcons, Josh Boyer won the long jump on the boys side with a leap of 21' 02.05". He also finished third in the triple jump with a 43' 02.25" mark to advance and set the pace for Lower Dauphin at the Mid-Penn championships. The Falcons will send seven individual qualifiers and a relay team to the District 3 Championships this Saturday at Shippensburg. Dan McCreary qualified in the 3200-meter run.

In the girls' 1600-meter run, sopho-

more Anna Smith dashed across the finish line in 5:22.96, good enough for a fifth place finish and a spot in Saturday's competition. The next qualifiers came in the girls 3200-meter run, where Jenna Flickinger and DeeDee Shea finished second and third respectively to advance.

The Falcons found success on the track with the hurdles, too. Elle Wallace finished second in the 100 meter hurdles with a time of 15.75 and second in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 45.92, both District qualifying times. Rounding out the girls' side of the competition, the Falcons 4x400 relay team qualified with a fourth-place finish, finishing in 4:08.06.

Alle Confair, Alexa Shaffner, Grace Davis, Courtney Keefer, Kelsey Detweiler, Maizie Smith, Madison O'Neill, Caroline Weir, Carrie Morris, Gabby Everest, Natalie Flanagan, Leah Gamber, Samantha Zeiders, Sarah Jones, Joely Helder, Emily Grap, Katie Raudenbush, and Krista

Peachey competed Saturday for the Falcons but did not advance.

On the boys' side, Cole Nissley advanced with a fourth place finish in the 1600-meter run, finishing the course in 4:22.91. The long-distance success continued in the 3200 meter run, as Jeff Groh and Nissley finished third and fourth, respectively, to advance.

Rounding out the track event qualifiers were the boys' 4x100 meter relay team, which finished seventh with a time of 44.37, and qualified for Districts.

Wade Weiser, Patrick Sharkey, Josh Santisano, Sean Weidner, Shayn Barnhart, Anthony Comport, Dalton Deimler, Zach Smith, Trevon Ripley, Jimmy Marks, Jack Miller, and Ben Ross all qualified for Mid-Penn but did not advance.

The girls finished with 42 team points, good for ninth place, while the boys' 39 points checked them in at eighth place.

Greg Pickel: flyersfan80@aol.com

Penn State Harrisburg

Shorthanded Lions fall in NEAC tourney

By Tom Klemick
For The Press And Journal

Penn State Harrisburg's 2012 season came to an end on Saturday, May 5, when the Lions lost a pair of games in the second round of the North Eastern Athletic Conference softball championship tournament.

With its core group of seniors out of the lineup due to the school's graduation ceremony taking place the same day, the blue and white fell to host-school Keuka, the eventual tourney champion, 13-5 in the first game before falling 5-3 in a hard-fought contest against Cazenovia later that afternoon.

One huge inning by the Storm led to the Lions' downfall in game one. After scoring 1 run in the bottom of the first, Keuka lit up the offensive fireworks to the tune of 8 runs in the second stanza. To Penn State Harrisburg's credit however, there was no letup in the team.

Freshman first-team all-conference selection Gabby Wolfe (New Milford, Pa./Blue Ridge) laced an RBI single that scored sophomore Alisha House (Crownpoint, N.M.) in the top of the third. The Lions added a second run when another NEAC first-team all-conference honoree, senior Emily Pae (Harrisburg/Susquehanna Twp.) grounded out, allowing sophomore Brittany Wesoloskie to score a few batters later. Junior Danielle Ringel (McKees Rock/Sto-Rox) kept her tournament hot-streak going when her single plated Wolfe later in the inning to make the score 9-3.

The blue and white continued to chip away in the top of the fourth. Wolfe came through with another big hit when she ripped a double to center field that scored House. Pae singled two batters later, scoring Wolfe and cutting the deficit to 4 runs.

That's as close as the Lions got, however. The hometown Storm managed three hits and 2 runs in each of the next two innings and ended the game after five innings of play.

Wolfe had the best outing at the plate for Penn State Harrisburg, going 2-3 with two RBIs and 2 runs scored. Pae also fared well, going 2-3 with 2 runs batted in while House was 2-3 with 2 runs scored.

The loss forced the ladies to play another contest later that evening. After playing through three scoreless innings, the Lions fell behind Cazenovia in the fourth inning of the second game of the day. Trailing 1-0, the Lions put together a big bottom half of the stanza.

Junior Kristyan Gates (Hanover/Hanover) led off with a triple to right field, and senior Jess Campbell (Beaver Falls/Beaver Falls) singled her home



Photos by Scott Duncan

Penn State Harrisburg's Emily Pae went 2-3 with two RBIs, in the Lions' 13-5 loss to Keuka College on Saturday, May 5. They ended their season 19-22 overall and 12-8 in conference play.

two batters later to tie the score. Wolfe singled to left field and picked up two RBIs when pinch runner Meghan Ackerman (Plymouth Whitemarsh/Plymouth Whitemarsh.) and junior Kat Bernardi (Fredericksburg/Northern Lebanon) scored on the hit to give the Lions a 3-1 advantage.

Unfortunately for Penn State Harrisburg, one opposing hit plated 2 runs and tied the score in the top of the fifth inning. Cazenovia added 1 run in each of the next two innings while the blue and white were unable to get anything going offensively.

After besting the Wildcats just one day earlier, the Lions' second loss on Saturday eliminated them from the conference tournament and ended their season.

Gates turned in a strong effort at the plate, going 3-4 with 1 run scored. Wolfe was 1-4 with a team-high two RBIs. Despite out-hitting Cazenovia 10-7, and committing no errors, the Lions were unable to match the Wildcats timely situational hitting.

Penn State Harrisburg finished the year 19-22 overall and 12-8 in conference play. Losing seven seniors to graduation, the Lions will look

to key returnees Kara Boyd (Alexandria/Juniata Valley), Gates, and Wolfe to lead the way and continue the softball program's recent success next spring.

2012 Bob Schlosser
Basketball Day Camp
for Boys

JUNE 25-JUNE 29
Boys entering grades 3-10

Discount for early registration

MT. CALVARY CHRISTIAN
SCHOOL - Elizabethtown
Directed by Bob Schlosser, Head Men's
Basketball Coach Elizabethtown College

For more information call
361-1141

23 Years Ago

From The Middletown Journal Files

From The Wednesday,
May 17, 1989 Edition Of
The Press And Journal

Repair Of Spring Garden Drive
Continues To Face Roadblocks

Improvements to Spring Garden Drive, Lower Swatara Township, seem further and further in the future as one developer has withdrawn his plan and another is in the process of selling his property.

Two years ago, Woodridge developer Mylin Messick and Greenwood Hills developer Joseph Ruggiero agreed with the Township to make improvements to Spring Garden Drive. The road repair was part of the final plans of the first phase of the two developments. To date, both developers have reached that stage in their residential developments, but Messick has been unable to provide the financial securities to pay for the improvements and Ruggiero is selling the property he has proposed to develop.

Messick's proposed Final Plan, Phase I reached the Township's Board of Commissioners at last week's meeting without a recommendation from the Township Planning Commission. However, before action could be taken, Township manager Frank Siffrinn announced that Messick had formerly withdrawn the plan.

Minutes later, the proposed Final Plan, Phase I for Greenwood Hills was before the Board for a vote. Siffrinn informed the Board that Ruggiero requested a time extension because the property is in the process of being sold. According to Siffrinn, Ruggiero has discussed the Spring Garden Drive improvements with the parties planning to buy the property. The commissioners did not grant the extension and rejected the plan.

Spring Means Flowers,
Showers, Warm Weather
and Sadly, Con Artists

Spring and its warmer weather bring good things such as flowers, outdoor activities and an end to the late winter doldrums.

Unfortunately, the season also means the arrival of some less desirable features such as hay fever, yard maintenance and necessary home improvements.

And there's another phenomenon that occurs each spring with the same regularity as the return of the robins; itinerant con artists and thieves who move with the weather and prey on citizens who still trust strangers.

According to Middletown Police, victims are usually retired homeowners who are either swindled when they pay for non-existent services or are robbed when the home is entered while the owner is busy outdoors.

The movements of these crime "families" are well documented by police. As spring approaches, they begin their trek north from Florida and follow the east coast to Maine, bilking the natives as they pass through each new area. In November, the pattern is reversed and the families return south to their winter homes.

Middletown Police say local residents have lost nearly \$50,000 to these traveling swindlers during the past four years.

Since most of the incidents begin

with a personal contact near the house, police advise residents to be wary of strangers offering home improvement deals or asking permission to enter the home. In some instances, police say, an individual distracts a homeowner by either asking directions or making a sales pitch while a cohort enters the home and steals jewelry, money and other valuables.

In other cases, a homeowner may be approached with a deal to repair siding, coat a driveway or perform other home repairs. The con men often travel with impressive-looking equipment that helps convince their victims that the deal is legitimate. But police say either the job is not finished or the cost is double or triple the initial estimate.

Township Seeks DCA Grant
For New Township Building

Mt. Joy Township Supervisors agreed last Thursday night to apply for a grant from the State Department of Community Affairs to help finance the preparation and approval of construction plans for a new municipal building.

The grant the Township hopes to obtain, if large enough, might also be applied toward the cost of actually constructing a new building, which would be erected on a tract of slightly less than one acre located between the present Township building and Milton Grove Road.

Expanding Township operations have produced crowded conditions in the present municipal offices and the Board has been discussing the need for additional space for some time. Anticipating the eventual need for a new building, the Board not long ago agreed to purchase the adjoining property.

KKK's 1988 Gathering
Spawns New Ordinance

Anticipating that the Ku Klux Klan may attempt to hold another rally in Conoy, the Township Board voted unanimously last Thursday night in favor of amending the municipal Public Gathering Ordinance to allow the Township to add certain costs to permit fees required for all private and

public gatherings.

Township Secretary Robert Strickland said the purpose of the amendment is to tighten regulations governing such gatherings and to require that sponsors post a sufficient deposit with the Township to cover the cost of providing police protection and other municipal services for the events.

Strickland said the Township was forced to spend over \$600 for extra police protection during last year's KKK rally on Black Swamp Road. He said the new amendment would allow the Township to anticipate such extraordinary expenses and require sponsors to deposit a sufficient sum to cover those additional expenses.

The amendment will expand the scope of the Public Gathering Ordinance to include religious and political assemblies, Strickland said. He also noted that the Township Board plans to revise the municipal Zoning Ordinance to bring it into alignment with the amended Public Gathering Ordinance.

When Larry Raffensberger, a Conoy resident, asked if the revised ordinance will apply to fire company carnivals and similar fund-raising activities, Strickland said it will apply to all gatherings, including the Falmouth Goat Race, whether on private or public land.

Prices From 23 Years Ago

Muenster Cheese	\$1.99/lb.
Jif Peanut Butter, 18 oz.	\$1.59
Fox's Cream Slaw	99¢/lb.
Porterhouse	
or T-Bone Steak	\$3.79/lb.
Strawberry Pie, 8 inch	\$3.59
Raisin Bread, 16 oz.	\$1.79
Sticky Buns, 6 pk.	\$1.69
Mars Candy, 8-pk.	\$1.99
Keebler Pecan Sandies,	
17 oz. pkg.	\$1.99
Italian Sausage	\$1.79/lb.
Dermassage	
Dish Detergent, 22 oz. btl.	79¢
Big Hug Drinks, 16 oz. jugs ...	4/\$1
Jumbo Artichokes	39¢/each
Post Cereal Natural	
Bran Flakes, 16 oz. box	\$1.89
KC Masterpiece BBQ Sauce,	
19 oz. jar	\$1.59

Hemlock

BAIT SHOP

Located near Tollhouse Road
2700 E. Harrisburg Pike • Middletown
616-8374
Closed Mon.; Tues.-Fri. 10 am-6 pm; Sat. & Sun. 6 am-6 pm

FREE RV Show

plus get **\$1,000 Free Camping**
go to
EastCoastRVS.com for details

ALL YOU CAN EAT - DINE IN ONLY

Ham Dinner

11 am until ?
SUNDAY, MAY 20

Adults \$8 • Child Discount Available
Includes: Vegetable, Roll & Butter
Dessert & Beverage

For more info or to join the Aux. call 986-9059

LOWER SWATARA FIRE HALL

1350 Fulling Mill Rd., Middletown
*Benefits: Lower Swatara
Volunteer Fire Dept. Aux.*
BINGO EVERY WEDNESDAY 7 PM (DOORS OPEN 5 PM)

-Virginia Seaside Lots-

Spectacular 3+ acre estate lots in the most exclusive development on the seaside (the mainland) overlooking Chincoteague Bay, islands and ocean beyond. Gated entrance, caretaker, private paved roads, community pier, boat ramp, pool and club house which includes 2 bdrm. guest suites for property owners. Great climate, fishing, clamming and National Seashore beaches nearby. Just 30 miles south of Ocean City, Md. Absolute buy of a lifetime, recent bank sale makes these lots available at 1/3 original price! Priced at only **\$49,000 to \$65,000.**

For more info call (757) 824-5284
or email: oceanlandtrust@yahoo.com
website with pictures: www.corbinhall.com

EDITOR'S VOICE

Lower Dauphin quiz kids prove it's cool to be smart



Congratulations to Lower Dauphin High School students Mitch Wolfe, Josh Berrios, Katie Moosic and Ted Meador, on taking the school's "Brain Busters" team to the championship round of competition last month. Though the team lost to Manheim Twp., a perennial quiz bowl powerhouse, the LD squad made history: The school had never reached the final round before. The contest was held at Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts on April 25, and was televised live on WGAL-TV. Manheim Twp., which has reached the finals five times, won the contest 545 to 345.

Lower Dauphin's quiz bowl team made history: It had never reached the final round of WGAL's "Brain Busters" before.

Hundreds of cheering fans were in the seats supporting their team. This was a competition that, just like a sporting event, triggered emotions in the crowd. No doubt there was a surge of pride with each correct answer, maybe a pang of sadness with each mistake. But the point is, this competition puts academic excellence on a pedestal, and that's good. Wolfe said it best after the event: "It's definitely cool to be smart." And let's give an extra dollop of praise to team member Meador, who does to math what Philadelphia Phillies pitcher Cliff Lee does to pitching – he makes it look easy. Ted won math contests at two local colleges recently, beating more than 100 other high schoolers. At an hourlong contest at Shippensburg University in March, he answered all 20 questions correctly. The average score was six correct answers. "It's not something we expect," said Lance Bryant, an assistant professor of mathematics and the contest's organizer. "Sometimes, the winner gets 15 out of 20." Way to go, Ted. Meador is studying linear algebra on-line at school, but he's humble about his math smarts. He admires those who write essays and other prose in English class. "Everybody's good at stuff," he said in a story in the May 9 Press And Journal. Perhaps that's the lesson here.

PUBLISHER'S VOICE

Is Middletown a town that just doesn't care anymore?



Spring is a favorite time for me - a time of change, a time of rebirth, a time of growth. A time to refresh one's outlook. A time to grasp an opportunity to improve. A time of changes, realizations and improvements. These need not be monumental things – baby steps that collectively create and enhance an attitude of optimism and enthusiasm of what is and what can be. It's this attention to the details that often takes us by surprise. You pass a home or a street and smile – not at one specific thing that jumps out at you, but a collective picture where the pieces fit in subtle ways to create an "ahhh" moment. Sadly, the pieces of Middletown's picture are misaligned, misplaced and, unfortunately, missing. Need some examples?

Consider these:

- Most crosswalks in town have yet to be repainted.
- Far too many residences have weeds that are knee-high.
- Sidewalks are sporting weeds, grasses and litter.
- Porches and sidewalks of far too many residences are cluttered with boxes, mattresses and overflow of possessions.
- Welcome banners throughout town have yet to be placed.
- One entire block of South Union Street is without street lights.
- One of the two "welcome rocks" in town will soon be obscured by weeds.

These are little things that have created a picture of a town that doesn't care anymore. A town that has misplaced its hope and spirit. A town that is quick to blame but unwilling to fix itself. Elected officials and, sadly, residents have turned a blind eye to these details – and it doesn't appear that either are looking or willing to see the light. All this begs the question: What will it take for these things to be noticed, to be brought to the forefront, to be changed? I believe it won't happen until the citizenry finds itself sorely inconvenienced because their neighborhoods are in disrepair, or worried because their safety is compromised, or dispirited because their leaders seem dysfunctional and uncommunicative. I wish I had a nickel for every time someone has said, "Somebody should do something" to us during the past six months. Well, the response to that is simple: "Somebody" is us – all of us. We have to take responsibility for what now exists in this area. We have to take responsibility for doing something about it if we are displeased with the way things have declined. Will that require work, extra effort, time that will take us out of our comfort zones? You bet it will – unless we're all comfortable and OK with the mess Middletown is in. It's decision time, everyone.

joesukle@pressandjournal.com

PRESS AND JOURNAL

PUBLISHER Joseph G. Sukle, Jr.

joesukle@pressandjournal.com

EDITOR Garry Lenton

garrylenton@pressandjournal.com

STAFF WRITER Jim Lewis

jimlewis@pressandjournal.com

STAFF WRITER Debra Schell

debraschell@pressandjournal.com

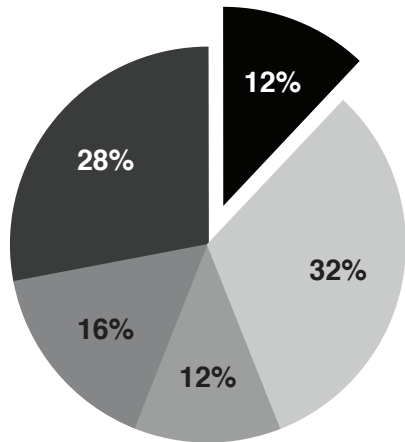
PRESS AND JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS 20 South Union Street, Middletown, PA 17057
OFFICE: 717-944-4628 FAX: 717-944-2083 EMAIL: info@pressandjournal.com
CORPORATE WEBSITE: pandjinc.com

Your Opinions

from www.pressandjournal.com.
Visit our website to cast your vote.

How satisfied are you with the enforcement of curfew laws in your community?

● Very Satisfied ● Satisfied
● Unsatisfied ● Very Unsatisfied
● No Opinion



Results are based on random responses and are not scientific.

FRANK RYAN

Just who is the enemy of our economic recovery?



During the Vietnam conflict, a common complaint of soldiers was that you could never tell who the enemy

really was. In this current economic recession, I too am beginning to wonder who the enemy of our recovery really is. President Obama, Congress, the Federal Reserve and the regulators are all telling us why so many others are to blame. The big banks have done it to us, shouts one group. Wall Street did it, claims another. Homebuyers who bought homes they could not afford are the real culprit, claims yet another. Perhaps those who have been charged with the responsibility for managing the fiscal and monetary policy of our nation should look inward for their responsibility in this continuing crisis. For example, the major banking crisis in 2008, as seen with the Lehman Brothers disaster, the Bear Stearns crisis, the Wachovia Bank crisis, the National City bankruptcy, the Countrywide fiasco and the virtual meltdown of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac caused Congress to become concerned about capital adequacy of banks and financial institutions. Stress testing our banks came into vogue. The intent was to protect the economy from the "too big to fail" firms so that our economy would no longer be vulnerable to the bankruptcy of one institution. Stress testing may have been a laudable objective in concept but perhaps not so laudable in practice. To implement a too-big-to-fail strategy in the middle of a recession likely made the recession more severe and prolonged. Investors became concerned about what the government would do next with banks which, in turn, made it harder for banks to acquire the very capital that would be needed to eliminate the too-big-to-fail concern in the first place. By the same token, our government is considering BASEL 3 capital adequacy standards. Such capital standards make sense on the surface. However, in the middle of a recession, with stock prices already depressed for banks, the likelihood is that banks will increase their capital ratios by getting smaller rather than by raising equity. Reducing capacity to lend in a recession is problematic for our economy. In reality, the most recently released stress tests have allowed many well capitalized banks to buy shares of their own stock back because the shares are so "cheap." In other words, the financial sector is contracting in the middle of a recession! In a similar vein, in a misguided effort to spur on the economy, the Federal Reserve has enacted Quantitative Easing 1, Quantitative Easing 2 and Operation Twist. The intent of all of these measures is to reduce long-term interest rates to spur on consumer spending and investment by business. In reality, what has occurred is that we have set the stage for unrealistically low interest rates which, when the interest rates reset, will make the investment or spending decision painful in retrospect. Quantitative Easing is an identical concept to the teaser interest rates that Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and the federal

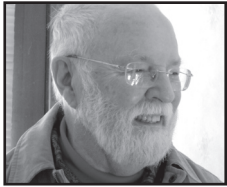
government encouraged with banks and investment banks to entice homeowners into buying homes they could not afford. Have we not learned anything from the housing crisis? The extremely low interest rates have encouraged investors to withhold funds from the investment markets because they understand that these rates are unrealistically low in light of inflation concerns. Finally, at the height of the financial crisis in 2009, the FDIC required banks to post three years of prepayments of the FDIC insurance premiums. The prepayments amounted to \$45 billion. The intent was to restore some solvency to the FDIC insurance fund, which had seen rapid withdrawals in 2008 and 2009. Unfortunately, the impact of the \$45 billion premium was to pull almost \$450 billion of lending capacity from the banks at a time when the nation was already in crisis. The problem expands to \$450 billion because of the capital requirements of banks with the Total Risk Based Capital calculation. The intent of the FDIC was very sound. Unfortunately, bank stocks were selling at such depressed levels in 2008 and 2009 that most banks decided to get smaller rather than raise equity at depressed prices to meet the regulatory capital requirements. In defense of the FDIC, it did try to increase the size of the fund during booming economic times, but large banks were able to successfully lobby that the fund was big enough already. In reality, the fund should have been allowed to continue to grow so that in stressful economic times the fund would be large enough to weather the storm without special assessments during a crisis. This is a situation where the large banks, Congress, and the FDIC were all complicit. For there to be a reasonable solution to the current economic malaise, government must recognize the timing, as well as the intent, of its decisions. Increasing capital standards in good times would likely be absorbed by the economy and the banking industry with little adverse effect on consumers. Allowing the FDIC to maintain the insurance fund as an insurance fund without intervention on the limits of the size of the fund would permit insurance to do what it's intended to do: insure. By reducing FDIC premiums in good times, banks actually reported above normal earnings. In severe economic times, banks' earnings have been negatively affected by increasing premiums. Not the message that should be sent in the middle of a recession. Until the economy is more robust, the federal government, Congress, President Obama and the regulators should stop all efforts at increasing regulatory compliance burdens. Capital standards should be maintained at prudent levels until after the recession is over. At that time, it would be appropriate to consider recapitalizing banks with higher regulatory standards. When will Congress understand that you cannot legislate economic principles? Interfere excessively with a free market and be prepared for the consequences.

When will Congress understand that you cannot legislate economic principles?

Frank Ryan, a Lebanon County CPA and retired Marine Reserves colonel, specializes in corporate restructuring and lectures on ethics for state CPA societies. He can be reached on Twitter @fryan1951.

PAUL HEISE

Money has bought our politics



The Republican primary was an electoral system gone wrong. The wrong people debated the wrong issues

and all we really learned was that money matters. Money determined the people who would compete and the people who would win. Money also determined the issues that would be debated and which side would win. Our electoral process has come to the point where: Though you speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not money, you are become as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal. No one has accused Mitt Romney of speaking with the tongues of angels. He won because he had and was willing to spend the most money. As to the issues, just follow the money. If a common-sense solution would threaten profits, that solution will not be part of the campaign. This is plain to see with issues such as our criminal financial sector, the truly frightening situation at Fukushima, global climate change and fracking. They were excluded despite the fact some of them threaten our very existence. A second set of important issues were not touched because not enough money is involved, including constitutional infringements like body searches for traffic violations and indefinite detention without trial. It doesn't matter that these issues are changing our fundamental civil rights. Some social and political issues were predetermined to be treated solely as sounding brass: abortion, contraception and sharia law. Contraception? Who cares when there's no money involved. The same pattern exists across the social agenda. These limits on our political choices did not happen by accident. The shift of public support to issues that reward certain American industries and favor the wealthy is part of an explicit plan. It began in the 1970s when corporations and wealthy individuals began to harness public relations to politics and public opinion. The corporations and the very wealthy began their program by financing a new breed of opinion makers – agenda-oriented think tanks. Until that time, think tanks, research groups and academic departments were independent and self- or government-financed. Professors, for instance, did not patent or copyright their findings. Their agenda, if they had one, was discovering and publishing something that was new and interesting. All that has changed. Now, if a think tank like the Brookings Institution doesn't have an agenda, it is accused of being "left-leaning." I rather like the idea that independence and objectivity are associated with "left-leaning." By the mid-'80s and since then, the Heritage Foundation, the American Enterprise Institute and the Cato Institute were the highly-esteemed flagships for this corporate agenda. Huge endowments funded the purchase of support for the efficiency of markets, the deregulation of government and tax cuts for the wealthy. These groups are assuming and advocating what they should be questioning and testing. Independence and objectivity in research are no longer valued: Truth might set some people free. This public relations program was aimed at and succeeded in capturing the soul of the Republican Party. As a result, Republicans have borne the brunt of this attack on independence, transparency and objectivity. Probably no one has suffered more than Romney. As governor of Massachusetts, he worked for effective solutions. Then he ran for president and discovered that he faced money that dwarfed his measly \$200 million. He was forced to follow the money because it had bought the base. As money discovered its power, it sold the conservatives a new bill of goods. The medical, pharmaceutical and hospital industries saw that Romneycare was working in Massachusetts and that parts of Obamacare were really popular. That was a threat to profits and the corporate position shifted. In case after case money became aware of its power and abused the Republican Party. Romney is just a symbol of what money can do even to the super rich. The Democrats will feel the same onslaught very shortly. Politics is one thing, criminality is another. No one seems willing to prosecute the blatant criminality of the financial sector. Do they have that much money? Paul Heise, of Mount Gretna, is an emeritus professor of economics at Lebanon Valley College, Annville. He can be reached at paul.heise@gmail.com.

JEFFREY
PICCOLA



Senate budget reflects reality

The Senate began the legislative budget process last week by approving a \$27.7 billion spending plan for fiscal year 2012-13 that does not raise taxes and holds promise for some of Pennsylvania’s key constituencies who have been concerned with future funding issues. Although the bipartisan plan now awaits debate and deliberation in the House of Representatives, it is certainly a step in the right direction considering the economic reality of our times.

In these tough economic times and given the initial budget proposed by the Governor, I am pleased the Senate was able to develop a responsible plan with bipartisan support that restores substantial funding by protecting the services Pennsylvanians rely on most.

Senate Bill 1466 contains a sustainable and balanced budget, reflecting less than a 2 percent increase over last year. However despite this minimal increase in funding, the plan spends less than the three previous fiscal years. As a result, the budget is significantly lower than what the Commonwealth could spend under the Taxpayer Bill of Rights (TABOR) formula, which is tied to inflation and population growth. Most importantly, our spending plan restores some of the cuts to certain areas originally slashed by the Governor during his budget address back in February. Increased revenues over the past few months allowed us to alter what the Governor had initially proposed, including significant restorations to higher education, basic education, early childhood funding, and social services.

Senate Bill 1466 maintains state support for Pennsylvania’s state-related universities, State System of Higher Education schools and community colleges at their current levels. With this restoration of funding for higher education, the state-owned and state-related universities have agreed not to raise tuition above the rate of inflation for next year. Our spending plan also includes support for local school districts over what the Governor proposed by adding more than \$130 million in support for basic education and \$50 million in funding for Accountability Block Grants which school districts use to pay for programs such as full-day kindergarten and after-school tutoring.

In addition to the restoration of cuts to education, Senate Bill 1466 reinvests significant funding to help counties and local agencies provide essential social and health services and programs for Pennsylvanians with physical and mental disabilities, senior citizens and families. Specifically, our plan restores \$84 million of a \$168 million cut to county-administered human service programs.

In these tough economic times and given the initial budget proposed by the Governor, I am pleased the Senate was able to develop a responsible plan with bipartisan support that restores substantial funding by protecting the services Pennsylvanians rely on most. I urge my colleagues in the House of Representatives to follow suit in the coming weeks as the current fiscal year ends on June 30. *Jeffrey E. Piccola is a Republican member of the state Senate representing the 15th Senatorial District.*

We want to hear from you ...

FAST • EASY • FUN

Go to

QUICK OPINION POLL at:

pressandjournal.com

SOUND OFF

Submissions to Sound Off appear as written. The Press And Journal edits only for clarity and punctuation.
Additional comments and audio versions of some Sound Off comments are available at www.pressandjournal.com.

“I think congratulations to council for the job...” (Listen online at www.pressandjournal.com)

☹ “I agree a coach should have a child’s best interest at mind as one person here put it. As far as another person here put it, I have a son that has played football in the past. He was encouraged that if he would join the one team year round that he could be a state contender. Love my son but he is NO state contender and loved football and now is not going to play because he does not want the flack.”

☹ “To this person: ‘To the people who are asking about using coupons with Access Cards. Yes you can use them, however you can’t by cigarettes. I tried to buy a pack of smokes on the way home from Demp’s the other night and was denied.’ Quit trying to get a rise out of people, it isn’t working.”

☹ “I think our high school has hired some really good coaches over the past three years. I still think there is some housecleaning to do. One coach puts my child on a guilt trip if he does anything other than his sport and it should not be that way. Just glad he is a senior now and can get away from this.”

☹ “Massachusetts ranked 47th out of 50 in job creation when Mitt Romney was governor.”

☹ “Why does Mitt Romney need an extension to file his taxes? He says they’ll be ready by election time. What is he hiding?”

☹ “Mitt Romney used illegal immigrant Guatemalans to do his gardening. I guess he isn’t rich enough to hire legal citizens, LOL.”

☹ “Mitt Romney was born rich, his dad was the CEO of American Motors, and later governor of Michigan, but Mitt got much richer through ill-gotten gains. In some cases, the companies that he ran made him rich through outright fraud and criminal behavior. But most of the time it was his technically legal predatory capitalism at Bain & Co., leveraged buyouts, taking over companies by borrowing against their own assets, stripping them of resources, firing workers, busting unions and getting rid of workers’ pensions. Meanwhile, he himself gets a multimillion dollar annual pension from Bain, which he pays minimal taxes on due to tax shelters and hiding his money in shady, foreign tax havens (such as Bermuda, the Cayman Islands, Luxembourg, and Swiss bank accounts) that have extreme secrecy.”

☹ “Sound Off gives a voice to the oppressed. THANK YOU PRESS AND JOURNAL!”

☹ “Our community needs to stand up and tell the school board that they need to listen to us. The last four superintendents picks were jammed down our throats. Why didn’t the board advertise the position to make sure we get the best candidate? Four failures as far as most people are concerned. My son tells me that the students can do as they please at the high school. Both of my kids say the lunches are terrible, and we have trouble with bussing all the time. Such a poorly run district!”

☹ I’m so tired of seeing most of the MAHS sports teams at or near the bottom in all leagues. You can’t have a rebuilding year every year. There are some great kids coming up in a few years. That gives us a chance to replace the current ones starting at the top.”

Sound Off is published as a venue for our readers to express their personal opinions and does not express the opinions of the Press And Journal. Sound Off is published in the Viewpoints sections but is not intended to be read as news reports. Sound Offs are published at the discretion of the Press And Journal.

☹ “Great job @ 240 E. Emaus St. with your porch and flower bed. Looks Great!”

☹ “RE: Highspire’s Reservoir Park nature walkway. Places like this can have a positive ripple effect if they are well planned and properly maintained. That means the borough and its residents must take responsibility for this ‘green jewel’ as one official called it, and keep it polished. Time will tell how well, and how long the Highspire Borough takes responsibility for maintaining and keeping this area clean!”

☹ “Whoever has found this dog that is all black and brown that wears a red collar around her neck her name is Chase. She is 17 years old and she was last seen on Richard Ave. If you know anyone who has her please call the Middletown or the Lower Swatara police and turn her in to the cops. Please do the right thing and turn her into the cops if you don’t you will be charged with dog napping.”

☹ “To the person who asked, ‘What has the President achieved so far?’ Here is the SHORT list. Overhauled the food safety system. Advanced women’s rights in the work place. Ended ‘Don’t ask don’t tell’ in our military. Stopped defending DOMA in court. Passed the hate crimes bill. Appointed two pro-choice women to the Supreme Court. Expanded access to medical care and provided subsidies for people who can’t afford it. Expanded the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Fixed the preexisting conditions travesty in health insurance. Invested in clean energy. Overhauled the credit card industry, making it much more consumer-friendly. Created the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. Help for people whose health was injured during the 9/11 clean up. Ended the war in Iraq. Oh, and he killed Osama Bin Laden. If you need the longer list, please let me know. PS. 90% of the people reading this in Middletown benefit from liberal policies but vote Republican because they ‘think’ they are going to be rich some day.”

☹ “Did someone finally pull the plug on the old coot that has to call in every week?”

☹ “It’s kind of funny, our current president’s father was born in Africa and thousands of white Americans question his birth certificate, yet Mitt Romney’s father was born in Mexico and those same people don’t question his birth certificate. Kind of verifies the birthers are racists as opposed to xenophobes.”

☹ “I am so tired of Middletown Council canceling their meetings because the president can’t get a flight in from Florida. Enough is enough, I would like to change my vote.”

☹ “Well, finally saw some MAHS names in the area high school baseball rankings for batting and pitching. Glad to see that some talent still exists in Middletown since the coaches drove away many good players in the past few years of continual mismanagement.”

☹ “I hope that Mitt Romney will become the new president of the United States. I will vote for him all the way. He will be a better president than that Obama. I hope that Mitt Romney wins all the way. We need a president like Mitt Romney because November is the last day for Obama.”

☹ “In response, it is hard for many to use turn signals because they have a phone in one ear and a drink or smoke in the other.”

You may call the Sound Off line at 948-1531 any time day or night, or e-mail us from our Web site at: www.pressandjournal.com.

☹ “Here’s a thought. I was once told that we pay our school taxes to pay for the free education that we received. If that is true, then people who went to private school should be exempt from school taxes!”

☹ “Stupid is as stupid does. Then that means this post makes me stupid! LOL!”

☹ “It’s nice to see cops enjoying what they do and not letting it go to their head. WE need more men like YODER!”

☹ “Can someone explain why I was denied CHIP for my child? It clearly says ‘every child is covered.’ My job does not offer insurance and now I have to pay a ridiculous amount just to do something CHIP advertises it does.”

☹ “Obama is, indeed, trying to help college students with a ‘Pay As You Earn’ proposal that will reduce monthly payments for more than one and a half million current college students and borrowers. Predictably, Republicans, haters of education because an educated populace hurts their reelection prospects, are going to try to block it in the House.”

☹ “Maybe we should move back to the ‘50s when things were better? As a black man, I beg to differ that things were better back then. Of course you’d want to go back to the ‘50s when a black man couldn’t even vote much less run for office.”

☹ “The person who said that the creek and river only flows through Lower Swatara and Londonderry needs to look at a freakin’ map or at least go to Hoffer Park or the very end of Union Street.”

☹ “USING CAPS LOCK DOES NOT VALIDATE CHERLEADING AS A SPORT. It’s performance art and there’s nothing wrong with that.”

☹ “Mitt Romney wrote an edito-

rial calling for the country to let GM and Chrysler go bankrupt. Now he wants to take credit for their revival? He’s an inspiration to well lubricated weathervanes everywhere.”

☹ “Wow, sounds like someone in Lower Swatara thinks Middletown is trying to take credit for all of the various amenities. All those things are located in the Middletown ‘postal’ community, which includes Lower Swatara and Londonderry. Don’t be so stuck up out there in LS. Last time I looked, your mailing address still said Middletown!”

☹ “I’m a Vietnam veteran and a Republican, but I will not be voting for Mitt Romney. Rather than serve his country, he chose to serve his religion in France. He’s not fit to lead anything other than his church.”

☹ “If you folks in Lower Swatara think you’re better than Middletown and want to join Derry Township, go right ahead. Enjoy those taxes!”

☹ “Contracted out busing, contracted out food services, contracting out custodians, utility, and maintenance, and the nurses not one of our salaries has ever been published in the Journal over 50,000. We are not the problem, we are just poor voters and will respond to you later Middletown board of education.”

☹ “I feel really awful for the Middletown baseball team this year. Not a lot of victories from what I read. It’s hard to believe this is the same set of boys whose parents always have thought they were all-stars since they played tee-ball. They were on the A-teams all the way through Little League and it’s sad they haven’t lived up to their crazy parents’ expectations. They thought they were always better than everyone else.”

☹ “KARNS WORKERS ARE THE BOMB! THEY ARE SO NICE. :)”

☹ “I would rather have a bunch of college kids in town than the May 9 editions headline news. Geez, rape, beating up over drugs, crashing into your kid’s car on purpose, fondling a minor, I’d take the college kids over that any day.”

JOHN
PAYNE



ID theft and what we can do about it

Each year, more than 10 million Americans have their personal information stolen. Recently, members of the House Consumer Affairs Committee, including myself, attended a public hearing held in Pittsburgh to discuss the issue of identity theft.

While it may seem surprising to some, identity theft is actually a serious problem in Pennsylvania. Based on testimony at the hearing, we learned that an increasing number of cases involve criminals using a person’s Social Security number to claim fraudulent income tax refunds.

The hearing also focused on the impacts of identity theft and what legislative efforts can be taken to target identity theft schemes.

Testifiers at the hearing included representatives from the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General, the U.S. Postal Inspector’s Office, TransUnion and several identity theft victims.

Listening to an identity theft victim’s story really reinforced the importance of spreading the word about how to protect yourself from becoming a victim. In reaction to the testimony I heard, I felt it was important to provide a link to the Pennsylvania Attorney General’s identity theft online resource page, which contains some great tips on how to protect yourself from identity theft, including a preventative measures checklist. I encourage residents to take a moment to review some of the information on these pages. You can access the resource page from my website, RepPayne.com, just click on “Consumer Resources” on the left side of my homepage. You can also contact my Hershey office at (717) 534-1323 for tips and information on the topic of identity theft.

John Payne is a Republican member of the state House of Representatives. He represents the 106th district.



Save \$9

OVER SINGLE ISSUE PRICE

(local - Dauphin & Lancaster Counties only)

Subscribe and SAVE

Every penny counts.
A subscription to the Press And Journal saves you money every time.

Mail to:

PRESS AND JOURNAL
20 S. Union Street
Middletown, PA 17057

SUBSCRIBE TODAY

☐ **New** (please allow 4-6 weeks for first delivery) ☐ **Renew** (please attach mailing label)

☐ **Enclosed is \$30** (local - Dauphin & Lancaster counties) **\$35** (in state) **\$45** (out of state) ☐ **Check**

Mastercard & Visa Accepted

Please call 717.944.4628 with your credit card information.

Name _____

Street _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

Business Directory

To place your business in the directory contact the Press And Journal at: 20 S.Union Street, Middletown
E-mail: info@pressandjournal.com
Web site: www.pressandjournal.com
Phone: 717-944-4628

BARBER	HALLMARK CARDS/GIFTS
Olmsted Plaza Barber Shop Jamesway Plaza 944-9364	Rhoads Pharmacy & Gift Shop 17 West Main Street, Hummelstown 566-2525
FLOWERS	PRINTING
Michele Hughes Lutz Creations with You in Mind 131 Dock Street, Royallton 944-5425	Press And Journal Publications Web & Sheet Fed Full Service Printery For More Information Call 717-944-4628



Scouts learned how to properly wrap a hypothermia victim (fellow Scout Christopher Kiessling) in a thermal wrap, then carried him out of the "wilderness" in a litter made with a sleeping bag and rope. Participating in the activity are, front row from left, Ben Knisely, Eliot Favinger, Clayton Wagner, B.J. Stoner, and Hunter Buck. Back row, Luke Arnold, Garrett Little, Zachary Pauley, Colby Stiffler, Hunter Albright, Michael Adragna and Mitchell Lee.

Being prepared

Two Scout troops join forces for 'Disaster Days,' to learn how to lend aid in an emergency.

Special to the Press And Journal

Boy Scout Troops 97 and 594 are no strangers to helping people in times of disaster. The two troops joined forces last fall during their flood relief efforts in Middletown.

Troop 97 of Londonderry Twp., and Troop 594 of Middletown, once again joined together to prepare for future disasters. "Disaster Days" was recently held at the Londonderry Scouting Complex.

Scout Masters Kevin Little and Tom Nezovich organized the comprehensive three day event. Alex Egan, LPN,

EMT and American Heart Association CPR Instructor from the Londonderry Fire Company, was instrumental in making the weekend event a huge success.

"My goal was to interact with the scouts in order to make them assets to our community," Egan said. "This weekend I trained over 50 people in CPR alone. The CPR training combined with the first aid training will help the Scouts be much better responders in the event of future emergencies."

Disaster Days involved activities designed to make the Scouts better

prepared as responders. In addition to CPR, Scouts were trained in many areas of first aid including simple cuts and scrapes, blisters, minor burns, bites and stings, venomous snakebites, and frostbite. They also learned what to do in "hurry" cases, such as stopped breathing and bleeding, as well as treatments for shock, heat exhaustion, heatstroke, dehydration, hypothermia, and hyperventilation.

"It's important that troops in small communities come together and network with each other," said Troop 594's Assistant Scout Master Art Bamert Jr. "I can't think of anything more pertinent than maintaining your first aid skills."

Dr. Richard Cook, an emergency room physician from Hershey Medical Center, was also on hand for the event. Cook, a former Boy Scout himself, has been teaching first aid since the 1960s.

"This event is so well put together and so well organized," Cook said. "I got so much out of Scouts... I just wanted to be here because I wanted to give back. Scouts are, typically, first responders. In the event of a disaster, these Scouts will be a wonderful resource to our community."

Troop 97 is sponsored by Londonderry Fire Company and Troop 594 is sponsored by the American Legion Post #594 in Middletown.



Submitted Photos
Ian Guckavan concentrates intensely on the directions from his CPR instructors.



Assistant Scout Master Rob Stone made sure the Scouts and staff didn't go hungry during all of their training classes.



Come to an informational seminar to hear the exciting details, and enjoy a complimentary lunch.

Thursday, May 17
Tuesday, June 5
Thursday, June 14
Wednesday, June 20

All seminars begin at 11:30 a.m.
Seating is limited.

EXCEPTIONAL lifestyle. EXTRAORDINARY living.

Union Square at Frey Village

- 56 spacious apartments
- All open-concept floor plans
- Washer & dryer in each apartment
- Two new dining options
 - Wellness Center
 - Expanded library
 - Computer room

While you're at the *Union Square* Sales Office for a seminar, take the opportunity to walk through the beautifully furnished model apartment, and envision yourself experiencing the enriching *Union Square* lifestyle.

With four distinct models available, you're certain to find an apartment that's perfect for your future at Frey Village.



Call **717-930-1303** today to reserve a seat at the seminar of your choice.



1020 N. Union Street | Middletown, PA | WWW.DIAKON.ORG/FREY

Diakon offers services and housing without regard to race, color, religion, disability, marital status, ancestry, national origin, sexual orientation or gender.



Scan for more Union Square details.



Hayden Wintz and Jake O'Donnell tend to Hunter Albright's broken leg in a mock exercise. Ben Neithercoat, Ben Knisely and Eliot Favinger wait for their turn to try their wilderness first aid skills on Albright.

PARENTS WHO HOST LOSE THE MOST



Don't be a party to teenage drinking.

It's against the law.

FACT: If you break the law, you can face a maximum sentence of one year in jail and/or a \$2,500 fine.

To report an underage drinking party, call toll free:

1-888-UNDER-21

This message is brought to you by Lower Dauphin Communities That Care and the Borough of Hummelstown Police Department.

Funded by a grant through the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board. Parents Who Host Lose the Most was developed by and is a project of Drug-Free Action Alliance.