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# **187 more military banners on the way** Number of 'Hometown Heroes' signs will grow significantly in borough



STAFF PHOTO BY JASON MADDUX A Hometown Heroes banner hangs on a pole on West Main Street.

By Dan Miller danmiller@pressandjournal.com

Another 187 of the popular "Hometown Heroes" banners honoring military personnel are on their way to Middletown.

The additional banners are being made by Rileighs Outdoor Decor of Allentown, and could arrive within the next week, said Borough Councilor Diana Mc-Glone, who continues to spearhead the banners project.

Once the banners arrive Mc-Glone expects it will take borough public works employees about a given any speweek or so to hang the banners on utility poles throughout town. Borough Public Works Director Greg Wilsbach agrees with that timetable, telling the Press & Journal that a week is doable for getting all the new banners up. Inclement weather could delay the process.

A small number of the new banners will not be hung, as some purchasers want to display their banners privately, such as in their home, McGlone said.

Wilsbach said he hasn't been



McGlone utility poles throughout

Middletown where the banners can go, Wilsbach has said. "It's a matter of looking at the map" to see where banners have already been hung, and where are the best places to display the new ones, Wilsbach said. Besides poles on streets, Wilsbach would like to see some of the banners installed on poles in parks.

The new banners are being added to the 88 banners that the borough put up shortly before Memorial Day.

The public response to the banners program was overwhelming, McGlone said, leading her to arrange for Middletown area residents to buy more banners through the Bob Smith Detachment 784 of the Marine Corps League, a nonprofit organization based in Hummelstown.

The detachment agreed to take over the program after Borough Council President Damon Suglia decided the borough would not be involved in purchasing the banners, over concern that the borough could end up violating state public procurement laws.

No more banners will be available for purchase in 2017. McGlone said she plans for new banners to be available for purchase from January through March 2018.

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# Things were looking up — solar eclipse a popular event

#### **By David Barr**

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The solar eclipse Monday captured the attention of the entire nation, and Middletown was no exception.

A few friends gathered at the Middletown Swim Club on Monday afternoon to watch the eclipse, taking advantage of the open skyline and nearly picture-perfect day.

"Seemed like a nice hill to watch

'We couldn't find a better place

to see it than up here," Taylor

To witness the spectacle, special

glasses had to be procured and

Taylor obtained five pairs from

Amazon last week. She gave three

pairs to a friend of hers and kept

the other two to share between

By 1:50 p.m., about one quarter

of the sun had been covered, ac-

cording to Robbins, and by 1:58

she reported the covered amount

was up to about a third of the sun.

During the eclipse, the sun was a

shade of orange and enough was

herself, Robbins, and Whittle.

Sandy Taylor, Sandy Robbins and Cheryl Whittle visit the Middletown Swim Club nearly every day in the summer, so the trio decided to witness the event at the pool after Taylor said she was going to be at the pool to watch

the eclipse.

added.

it on," Robbins said.



covered that the sun resembled the shape of a crescent moon or a frown.

Taylor said before the eclipse that she was "anxious to see how dark it gets" and as the event continued, the temperature dropped to where it was comfortable to be outside, and it did get a bit dimmer. As the prime viewing minutes waned, Taylor said viewing it was "something different" and said it

was fun to see the eclipse. Robbins added that it was "educational." "It was



It's good for

Middletown,'



Police body cameras more likely? DA Marsico on board

after state law OK'd

STAFF PHOTO BY DAN MILLER Zachary Ruby dons a pair of glasses to safely view the partial eclipse of the sun in Middletown on Aug. 21.

Robbins said. T h e y weren't the only ones watching the eclipse at the swim club. Karen Muller

and her children managed to borrow a pair of glasses and shared them to watch the event. Muller used her phone to take a picture of the eclipse and she said that her phone was "perfectly fine" after taking the picture. The odd thing was in the photo, the moon was reflected off to the side and not covering the sun. With her children, aged 10 and 6, it was difficult to explain to them that what they were seeing wasn't the moon, but the sun, because the sun's shape was that of a crescent moon that is often seen in the night sky.

Muller said she was interested to see what the next eclipse in 2024

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STAFF PHOTO BY DAVID BARR

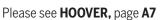
Sandy Taylor, front, and Sandy Robbins use special glasses to watch the solar eclipse at the Middletown Swim Club on the afternoon of Monday, Aug. 21.

# Hoover has no plans to quit barber business

Hotel, stores will replace longtime shop in plaza

**By David Barr** davidbarr@pressandjournal.com

Doug Hoover has been in the hair-cutting business for more than 50 years, and business is steady amid the Hoover changes and





STAFF PHOTO BY DAN MILLER Middletown Mayor James H. Curry III watches Jon Mover of Kevstone Avenue lend his signature to a tip to benefit Kids Kastle while Lisa Moyer watches Monday night.

# Mayor's Mangia Monday raises \$2,300 for Kids Kastle

#### By Dan Miller

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It isn't every day that your pizza gets delivered by firetruck, but that's how the food rolled up to Dana Myers of North Union Street in Middletown on Monday, Aug. 21.

Myers was among residents all over town who stepped up to the plate for Mayor's Mangia Monday, the fundraiser Mayor James H. Curry III put together to raise money towards the Kids Kastle

Curry and a bunch of volunteers — including five members of Middletown Fire Department delivered pizza and other goodies cooked up by J&J Pizza & Family Restaurant on East Main Street from 6 to 10 p.m.

All the tips that the volunteer drivers collected during the four hours go toward Kids Kastle, which was built a little more than 20 years ago and has a life expec-

tancy of 25 to 30 years. Curry and the others collected \$1,924.24 in tips during the four hours. J&J donated \$400 from its proceeds for the night, for a grand total of \$2,324.24.

"I'm just totally stoked," Curry said as he was reporting the results to the Press & Journal on Tuesday morning. "For a group of volunteers to come together in one night and work very hard for four hours to raise that amount of money I just think is nothing short of amazing.'

Most of the deliveries were to residents in Middletown, but Curryknew of at least two deliveries that were made to people living

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#### **By Dan Miller** danmiller@pressandjournal.com

Middletown and other police departments in Dauphin County now have the green light to move forward with acquiring body cameras, at least as far as county DA Ed Marsico is con-

cerned. That's because the rules governinguseof body cameras by police in Pennsylvania have been clari-



Marsico

fied with the recent passage of new state legislation — Senate Bill 560 — that was signed into law by Gov. Tom Wolf on July 7.

The new law settles questions regarding police being able to use body cameras while inside a private residence, Marsico told the Press & Journal.

The law also addresses the other "major concern" that DAs

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playground in Hoffer Park.

# OURCOMMUNITY

# Pumpkin Fest date scheduled for Sept. 17

host its No. 1 fundraiser, the annual Pumpkin Fest, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17.

Pumpkin Fest 2017 will feature three live bands performing on stage in the band shell plus a grand musical finale of 35 musicians by The New Holland Band.

In addition to an old-fashioned chicken barbecue with Lower Swatara Fire Department and lots of food and drink, Tattered Flag Brewery & Still Works will offer a limited edition Pumpkin Fest Ale. Bratwurst will be

The Middletown Home will served in the Pumpkin Fest Beer Garden.

There will be more than 250 local and regional artisans, plus the "pumpkin chunkin contest," pumpkin dunkin' booth, face painting, pumpkin bowling, barrel train and hayrides, showcase of antique tractors and farm equipment, build-your-own scarecrow, pumpkin painting, caricatures, a raffle and silent auction and more.

The Middletown Home is located at 999 W. Harrisburg Pike. It can be reached at 717-944-3351.

#### Cub Scout Pack 97 to hold open house

SCHOO

its annual open house from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9 at the Scout Complex, 1831 Felker Road.

The event is open to all boys going into kindergarten through fifth grade. Boys do not need to live in Londonderry Township to join. Parents or adult partners should plan to stay at the event.

The open house will feature an opening flag ceremony, five

NEW MASD TEACHERS MODEL RAIDER APPAREL COMPLIMENTS OF WITH KIDZ IN MIND.

Cub Scout Pack 97 will hold activity stations that include rocket launching, fire-making, camp food skills, an obstacle course, a rain gutter regatta and refreshments. Scout leaders will be available to answer questions.

For questions, call Cubmaster Joan Nissley at 717-395-7874 or follow the pack on Facebook at CubScoutPack97Londonderry. The pack is sponsored by the Londonderry Fire Company.

#### **STUDENT SCHOOL HOURS:**

MIDDLETOWN AREA HIGH SCHOOL: 7:25-2:30 MIDDLETOWN AREA MIDDLE SCHOOL: 7:40-2:40 FINK & REID ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS: 8:30-3:15 KUNKEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: 9:00-3:45

ALL MASD SCHOOLS AND DISTRICT BUILDINGS WILL **BE CLOSED FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> & MONDAY,** SEPTEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup> FOR LABOR DAY RECESS.



# **Chanks. Mom!**

# **NEWS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD** LAVONNE ACKERMAN Flowers can bloom in the most unusual ways

Hello, folks! Autumn officially begins Sept. 22. Of course, we have all kinds of things going on that makes us feel summer is over. Aug. 28 (the first day of school in most school districts around these parts).

High school sports practices, marching band drills and other organizations have been gearing up for the 2017-18 school year for a few weeks now. I want to wish students, faculty, staff and families a wonderful start of the school season. This is an exciting time to shop, prepare and be on top of everything for a successful school year!

Did you know you can increase the flowers in your garden for free? I found that some plants develop roots once they are placed in water. I knew this about coleus (those plants with various brightly colored leaves), but who knew it was true for others?

I made my discovery by mistake when I was moving a hanging basket and a small portion of the plant fell off. It had sweet pink flowers on it so I put

it in a small vase after I made a clean cut to the stem. It looked healthy, and after a few days I noticed roots!

This petunia is now doing well in the garden. I clipped some other variations of petunias, but am not finding the same result! Sounds like a science fair topic.

Have a wonderful week and let me know your news to share. Kids, enjoy these final days of summer vacation!

#### **Birthdays**

Double happy birthday wishes are sent to Jim and Judy Lawyer on Wednesday, Aug. 23. May the blessings fill you up!

Tyler Hughes of Lower Swatara marks his landmark 21st cake day Wednesday, Aug. 23. Hoping your day is tip-top. Congrats and happy birthday!

Much joy and fun are sent to Christy Rae Ammons of Royalton on Wednesday, Aug. 23. She celebrates her last teener birthday, enjoy!

Happy 20th confetti-popping day to Hannah Ebersole of Lower Swatara on Thursday, Aug. 24. May your birthday week be the best yet!

Happy big-deal 25th birthday to **TJ Bechtel**. He celebrates on Friday, Aug. 25. I hope this golden birthday is extra special for you as you observe your birthday weekend!

Joe Bendgen of Lower Swatara will hear the birthday song on Friday, Aug. 25. May this day be full of happy faces and love.

Happy 24th razzle-dazzle birthday to Laura Snyder. Enjoy your Saturday, Aug. 26 cake-and-ice cream day!

Marie Chambers of Middletown marks her 17th superduper-dazzling birthday on Saturday, Aug. 26. I hope this is the best birthday yet, Marie!

Happy birthday candles will be burning brightly for **Edward** Hawk of Lower Swatara on Sunday, Aug. 27. I hope your day is just spiffy, Ed!

Alyssa Bush of Lower Swatara hits birthday No. 14 on Monday, August 28. Happy first day of school and happy birthday, Alyssa! **Cohen Hunter** of Lower Swatara marks his 11th birthday on the first day of school, Monday, Aug. 28. Enjoy this day and all the excitement, Cohen! Brand-new teen Keira Weise-**Torres** of Middletown marks her 13th birthday on Monday, Aug. 28. I hope this day is extra-special for you, Keira! Don Shroy of Lower Swatara celebrates his 82nd frosty-filled day on Tuesday, Aug. 29. Hoping your day is delightful, Don! Best wishes for a terrific birthday to Nick DeFrancisco of Lower Swatara on Tuesday, Aug. 29. I hope your day is remarkable! Big birthday hugs are sent to son, Daniel Ackerman, of Harrisburg who turns 25 on Tues-



#### Roots grow out of the pink flowers of a coleus plant that LaVonne Ackerman grew after it fell off a larger plant.

day, Aug. 29. Wishing you much joy and love as you cycle into a future that holds blessings and fullness of joy!

#### Anniversaries

Joe and Sue Lawruk celebrate 42 beautiful years of marriage on Wednesday, Aug. 23. Many wishes of continued love and joy to you both. Enjoy!

Happy 38th wedding anniversary to Keith and Cheryl Daily of Lower Swatara on Thursday, Aug. 24. Congrats and have fun!

Best wishes for a wonderful wedding anniversary to Bob and Marie Triplett of Lower Swatara on Thursday, Aug. 24 as they observe their 32nd year of holy matrimony. I hope your day is super fun!

Jarrett and Deborah Roan  ${\rm of}$ Lower Swatara mark five years of marriage on Friday, Aug. 25. Gift hint is silverware! Congrats and best wishes!

Love birds Glenn and Sue **Cameron** of Lower Swatara

#### For women

Ladies, mark your calendars for Saturday, Sept. 9. Join the ladies at Middletown First Church of God, 245 W. High St., for a women's day away.

Singer, humorist, and Christian speaker Sue Duffield will lead the group to focus on the theme "Don't Fall apart ... Love Your 'Self'ie." A fun day is planned as Sue shares the prescription for every healthy faith-filled woman. Be sure to invite your friends.

Registration is necessary and the fee includes a continental breakfast and light lunch. Call the church at 717-944-9608.

#### Garden tip

Master gardener and friend Terrie Lupia of Lower Swatara recently shared the exact directions for the natural weed killer:

Mix 1/2 gallon of white vinegar with 1/2 cup of salt and 2 tablespoon of Dawn dish soap. She said there is no need to heat the vinegar, just be sure to shake it up well so all the salt is dissolved. Do not get it on anything you don't want to kill as it is very effective! If the weeds are on the big side, you may need to apply a second application to completely kill it.

I asked Terrie about our sorry tomato crop. She said it is most likely due to too much rain and the temperatures. Tomato plants like heat and humidity and warm nights.

Thanks so much, Terrie, I have more questions for you!

#### **Quote of the Week**

"As I become more aware of my limitations as a human, I become ever more grateful for and reliant on a God who has none.<sup>3</sup> — Anonymous

#### **Question of the Week**

What do you like to do to get ready for "back-to-school" time? "Pack my lunch, watch TV until my bus comes." — Anthony Browne, 6, Middletown. "Shop for clothes. I will wear

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celebrate 34 years together on Sunday, Aug. 27. I hope your day is full of romance, and some chocolate!

Bob and Gloria Clouser Jr.

of Middletown observe their very special holiday on Sunday, Aug. 27. Congrats on 34 years together. I hope your celebration is over the top!

Happy 35th anniversary to Joe and Jeanette Cepietz of Lower Swatara. Their jade holiday is Monday, Aug. 28. I hope it is full of blessings and smiles!

Don and Donna Sipe of Lower Swatara were married on Aug. 29, 1981. Happy 36th anniversary to you two young kids at heart! Enjoy.

Many good wishes are sent to Rob and Brenda Rineer of Lower Swatara on Tuesday, Aug. 29 for a terrific anniversary.

some summer clothes at first. - Sophia Garisto, 6, Lower Swatara.

"Get my stuff together and be ready to meet my teacher."

- Chloe Tressler, 6, Lower Swatara.

"Go shopping for a new back pack." - Ellie Storm, 5, Lower Swatara.

"Brush my teeth in the morning, relax about ten minutes and ride the bus to school." — Adam Moore, 11, Lower Swatara.

Alex Kelly, 7, Swatara.

#### **Proverb for the Week**

A poor man pleads for mercy, but a rich man answers harshly (18:23).

Reach LaVonne Ackerman at 717-649-7366 or by email at La-VonneAck@comcast.net.

# TMI hosts 'Nuclear Night' documentary

Exelon Generation's Three Mile Island Generating Station is playing host to "Nuclear Night," a film series at Harrisburg's Midtown Cinema, on Tuesday, Aug. 29

The public is invited to watch the documentary "Pandora's Promise" for \$10, with all ticket proceeds benefiting the Lower Dauphin High School STEM program.

"Pandora's Promise" is a film by Academy-Award-nominated director Robert Stone. The documentary "changes the conversation about the myths and science economy," Three Mile Island Site behind nuclear energy" and tells the personal stories of environmentalists and energy experts who have had a fundamental change of heart about nuclear energy, according to a press release from TMI.

"Three Mile Island and other Pennsylvania nuclear power plants improve our state's air quality, support the resilience of the electric grid, support thousands of good-paying jobs and boost our Vice President Ed Callan said in a news release. "We hope to show this important documentary to more than 400 people over the course of the month, with the goal of helping to inform our local communityabouttheimportantroleof nuclear power as the state's largest source of zero-carbon energy."

Reserve a seat online at www. midtowncinema.com.fortheAug. 29 showing. The Midtown Cinema is located at 250 Reily St.

# Area gas prices take a slight dip last week

Average retail gasoline prices in Harrisburg have fallen 1.4 cents pergallon in the past week, averaging \$2.46 a gallon Sunday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 241 gas outlets in Harrisburg.

This compares with the U.S. average that fell 2.4 cents per gallon in the last week to \$2.32 a gallon. Including the change in gas prices in Harrisburg during the past week, prices Sunday were 28.2 cents per gallon higher than

the same day one year ago and are 6.5 cents per gallon higher than a month ago. The national average has increased 3.7 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 15.7 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

According to GasBuddy historicaldata, gasoline prices on Aug. 21 in Harrisburg have ranged widely over the last five years: \$2.17 a gallon in 2016, \$2.53 a gallon in 2015, \$3.38 a gallon in 2014, \$3.51 a gallon in 2013 and \$3.68 a gallon in 2012. Areas near Harrisburg and their

current gas price climate: Lancaster: \$2.46 a gallon, down 2.8 cents.

Reading: \$2.47 a gallon, down 2.2 cents.

York: \$2.45 a gallon, down 0.5 cents.

"The bulk of the motoring public is seeing gas prices drift lower as oil prices have slipped," said Patrick DeHaan, senior petroleum analyst for GasBuddy.

ther.

town, Pa.

Ronald I. McNamara will be re-

membered as a loving husband,

dedicated father, and a beloved

grandfather and great-grandfa-

August 17, 2017 at M. S. Hershey

Penn State Medical Center at the

age of 84, was a United States Ma-

rine Corp veteran who also spent

much of his adult life working

for the Commonwealth of Penn-

sylvania's Department of Labor

and Industry. He also served as a

member of the Middletown Area

School Board and the Evangelical

United Methodist Church, Middle-

the Marines in 1956, Mac worked

at Olmsted Air Force Base until

the base's closing. Following the

closing, he went to work for the

Commonwealth, retiring as the

assistant director of administra-

tive services with the Department

of Labor and Industry. After his

retirement, Ron also worked as a

27, 1932, in Altoona, was the son

of the late John A. and Nancy

"Bessie" R. (Bigley) McNamara.

He was preceded in death by

his brother John H., his sister

Jane, and his daughter Lori Ann.

Ron is survived by his wife of 62

years, Beverly and his children,

daughter Deborah D. Verbos and

her husband Kenneth; daughter

Lynda M. Whary and her husband

Scott; son John P. McNamara and

his wife Barbara; son Kevin M.

McNamara; son Christopher R.

McNamara and fiancée Julie; and

daughter Erin E. Washington and

husband Mike. He is also survived

by 32 grandchildren and great-

day, August 25, 2017 at 11a.m. at

his church, Evangelical United

Methodist Church, 157 East Water

Street, Middletown, Pa. A viewing

will be held on Thursday, August

24 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Matinchek

Funeral Home and Cremation

Services, Inc, 260 East Main Street,

Middletown, Pa. and also from 10

to 11 a.m. on Friday at his church.

p.m. with full military honors at

Indiantown Gap National Cem-

etery, Annville, Pa.

Mac will be buried Friday at 1

Services will be held on Fri-

grandchildren.

Ron, who was born October

security officer for HERCO.

Following his discharge from

Mac, who died peacefully on

# Lower Swatara board again will discuss UPS regional hub plan

#### **By David Barr**

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The Lower Swatara Township Planning Commission again will meet this Thursday to discuss the petition to amend a zoning ordinance which would allow UPS to construct a regional hub facility in the 2100 block of North Union Street.

The Lower Swatara planning commission meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24 at the township building.

In June, UPS officials approached the Lower Swatara Board of Commissioners about plans to build a 935,000-squarefoot regional hub facility in the northeastern corner of the township in a mineral recovery district.

UPS hosted an informational meeting July 20 to allow the public to hear the proposal and

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ask questions. The biggest issues that were raised at that meeting regarded traffic and loss of farmland.

Because the plans called for construction in a mineral recovery district, a zoning text change was required to allow UPS to construct the facility in the area. The text changes must be approved by the township planning commission.

A week after the informational meeting July 20, the township planning commission heard the arguments for and against the project and elected to table making a decision until members could gather more information on the plans proposed by UPS.

Residents had until Aug. 17 to submit their concerns to the Lower Swatara Township Planning Commission so members could review them and be informed by Thursday's meeting.

The Dauphin County Planning Commission discussed the issue at its Aug. 7 meeting.

After hearing both sides, it approved the project 5-1 with one member abstaining and two members absent. Dan Tunnell, Robert Spandler, Josh First, Keith Oellig and Chris Abruzzo voted yes, while John Kershner voted no. Chairman Will Specht III abstained and Mary Gaskie and Gary Lenker were absent.

The township planning commission will not have the final say on whether to approve or reject the project. The planning commission will make its own recommendations to the board of commissioners.

There must be at least one public hearing before the commissioners vote on the changes. The board of commissioners will then decide whether to allow UPS to move forward with the project.



LOWER SWATARA TOWNSHIP

Carol C. (Shuler) Fernback, of Lower Swatara Township, passed away Saturday, August 12, 2017. She was born November 23, 1943

in Harrisburg, Pa. Carol was preceded in death by her mother Teresa Sednick Burkey.

Carol is survived by her loving husband John F. Fernback Jr.; stepdaughter Jan L. Fernback (David Hollar); a sister Joanne Lotz (David); and several nieces and nephews.

She was a faithful member of Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church and an active volunteer in her parish. She was a member of the Hershey Italian Club, Pennsylvania Association of Retired State Employees and volunteered for the Dauphin County Area Agency on Aging. Carol was an employee for the State Education Department as an administrative officer. She enjoyed dining out, traveling and going dancing.

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated on Wednesday, August 16, 2017 at 11 a.m. at Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church, 280 N. Race St., Middletown, Pa., with the Rev. Ted Keating as celebrant. There was a viewing from 10 a.m. until the time of the service at the church.

Interment was at Middletown **Ronald McNamara** Cemetery, Middletown.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Harrisburg Area Humane Society, 7790 Grayson Rd., Harrisburg, PA 17111.

The family has entrusted the care of the Matinchek Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc., 260 East Main St., Middletown, Pa. with the funeral arrangements.

 $Condolences\,may\,be\,sent\,online$ at www.matinchekfuneralhome. com.



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#### IN MEMORIAM AND **OBITUARIES**

#### **Obituaries:**

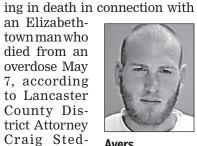
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Ayers

man.

Glenn Charles Avers Jr., 25, of

Middletown, is among three peo-

ple who on Aug. 8 were charged

with felony drug delivery result-

Ayers and Laura K. Welch, 32, allegedly arranged sale of the heroin which contained fentanyl to the 30-year-old victim, the DA said. Jabree T. Traynham is accused of selling the fentanyllaced heroin.

The three are also all charged with felony conspiracy involving adrugdelivery resulting in death.

Welch, of Palmyra, and Ayers were arraigned Aug. 8 and are both in Lancaster County Prison on\$1 million baileach. Traynham was already in Dauphin County Prison on separate charges

middle of the intersection of Ann after midnight Aug. 6. and Grant streets, police said in arrest papers filed with District Judge David Judy.

Middletown man among three charged Lancaster County heroin overdose death

Lane then drove west up Ann Street and up on the sidewalk near the Grace and Mercy Church before he crashed his 2005 Chevrolet Silverado pickup truck. The rear-passenger wheel fell off the truck and the vehicle had to be towed from the scene, police said. The police report does not if Lang was injured.

Lang was also charged with resisting arrest, reckless driving, careless driving, and running a stop sign.

He was arraigned Aug. 12 before District Judge Paul T. Zozos and released after posting \$15,000 bail. A preliminary hearing is set for Sept. 7 before Judy.

#### **Bicycle stolen from store**

A bicycle was reported stolen from in front of Giant Foods in Mid-Town Plaza while the owner was inside the store Aug.

16, Middletown police reported. The bicycle was not locked

No one got in and nothing was taken, police said. An alarm system at the residence alerted police, and a kitchen window had been tampered with, police said.

#### Man allegedly threatened woman

Police charged a man with terroristic threats and other charges after he allegedly threatened to rob and murder a woman during an incident in the Pineford apartment complex July 26.

Henry R. Myers, 46, of the 2300 block of River Road, was charged with terroristic threats, public drunkenness, and harassment, according to arrest papers filed with District Judge David Judy. His preliminary hearing is set for Sept. 7.

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Ayers is to be arraigned in Lancaster County Court on Sept. 8.

#### Man charged with break-in

State Police charged a Londonderry Township man with criminal trespass after he admitted kicking in the door of an abandoned residence in the 2900 block of East Harrisburg Pike on Aug. 11.

Richard Scott Mark, 24, was also charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, corruption of minors, and criminal mischief.

Police in arrest papers filed with District Judge David Judy said that Mark was one of five males involved in the incident, but that the four others were all juveniles from 13 to 15 years old who told police that the break-in was Mark's idea.

Mark was arraigned before Judy on Aug. 15. Mark was freed after posting \$5,000 unsecured bail, and a preliminary hearing is set for Oct. 5.

#### Man crashes truck with girl inside

A Royalton man was charged with DUI, endangering the welfare of children, and several traffic offenses after he allegedly crashed his truck with a 4-yearold girl in the back seat Friday, Aug. 11.

Steven Anthony Lang, 30, of the first block of Dock Street, was observed by Middletown police squealing his tires, doing fish-tails and "doughnuts" in the police said. The owner could not identify the model or make but estimated the bicycle's value at \$100.

#### Two men shoplift at Giant Foods

Two men walked out of the Giant Food store in Mid-Town Plaza with a shopping cart half full of items that were not paid for Aug. 15. The incident was reported to police just before 3:30 p.m.

Police said the men loaded up the items from the cart into a 1998 Buick Apollo and drove away. Police have a photo of the two men from surveillance cameras. but no arrests have been made.

#### **Car vandalized on Vine Street**

A 2002 Chevrolet Ventura was vandalized in the 600 block of Vine Street in Middletown between Friday night, Aug. 11 and Saturday morning, Aug. 12, borough police said.

Police said the driver's side mirror was broken off and the passengerside mirror was damaged.

#### Truck hit with eggs

A 2002 blue Ford F-150 was egged as the vehicle was parked in the 100 block of Aspen Street in Middletown, police said.

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# FROMTHEVAULT

News from the Friday, Aug. 22, 1952 edition of the Press & Journal

#### John Springer is appointed **MCSO** director

John Springer, 105 Oak Hill Drive, has been appointed director of activities with the Middletown Community Service Organization.

He will succeed William Troutman, formerly a teacher in the Middletown School District who has resigned to accept a similar position at Bloomsburg.

A native of Lower Swatara Township, Springer is a graduate of Middletown High School in 1928. He will assume his new position about mid-September. He served in the Pacific Theater of operations for three years in World War II.

He will have charge of all the widely varied programs at the MCSO, which are sponsored nightly for youngsters of all ages and adults, according to George Mansberger, president of the group.

A veteran test pilot at Olmsted Air Force Base and a civilian mechanic from town escaped injury early Wednesday afternoon when a twin-engined training plane crashed shortly after taking off due to engine failure. The plane was forced down opposite Stine's Landing in three feet of water.

Maj. Charles Dascombe, currently serving his second tour of duty at Olmsted, and Oliver D. Strauss, 444 S. Catherine St., a civilian mechanic, were rescued immediately after the crash by Robert Stickell, of town.

Jack Faust Sr. and his son Jack Jr. witnessed the emergency landing from their nearby Hill Island summer camp. They reported the plane made a perfect approach to the river near the northern tip of Three Mile Island. Upon impact, the twin-engined craft flipped about and faced the Dauphin County shore after settling into the muddy bottom of the river.

The accident soon drew hundreds of people to Stine's Landing and State Police were called to keep traffic moving. Crash boat equipment was rushed from Olmsted Air Base and moved immediately to the submerged plane.

By late afternoon personnel and equip-



Olmsted Base test pilot and mechanic escaped injury Wednesday when their plane was forced down in the Susquehanna River.

ment from the base reclamation section, headed by Harry Resh, South Catherine Street, was being organized to salvage the plane. A group of base officers, meanwhile, were taken by boat to the plane to start an investigation.

Salvage operations were organized to tow the plane to the Dauphin County shore, near Stine's Landing, A river coald redge flat was pressed into service but was unsuccessful in freeing the plane from the mud.

A second flat was moved to the scene last when salvage continued.

evening and the two craft slowly inched the plane shoreward, By nightfall the plane had been towed to Stine's Landing and workers prepared to use heavy towing equipment to ease the plane onto crash trailer equipment

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#### Other headlines

• Large crowd at Auto Club annual picnic

- Two men face charges in Lancaster County
- Power lines in First Ward to be extended
- National Guard to observe Governor's Day
- Local Legion men given appointments

# Five area schools to discuss jointure

Highspire becomes the next point of interest in the campaign to arouse concern for the establishment of a school jointure involving the five area school districts.

School directors from Middletown, Royalton, Lower Swatara Township, Highspire and Steelton will convene Tuesday night, Sept. 9, in the Highspire High School auditorium to consider the degree of interest towards the formation of a jointure involving the above districts.

The meeting will be held at 8 o'clock and will be open to the public.

Twelve directors from four districts — Highspire, Middletown, Royaltown and Lower Swatara -attended the PTA-sponsored meeting held Tuesday night in the local high school gymnasiumauditorium annex.

Invited but absent were representatives from adjacent Londonderry Township. Tuesday night's session was presided over by attorney Thomas H. Lane, chairman of the committee on school facilities for the Middletown PTA.

Lane told the school directors in attendance and the group of some 20 local citizens the primary purpose of the meeting was to determine if there was sufficient interest to warrant a study on a school jointure and to learn if a satisfactory arrangement could be arranged for all interested districts to convene at a later date for a more detailed discussion. The Sept. 9 session ultimately grew out of the discussions held at this week's meeting.

Lane briefly summarized the conditions facing the districts represented Tuesday night. Lower Swatara Township is without any school buildings and students are being accommodated in the local

Middletown for high school training and operates several buildings which match Middletown's insofar as age is concerned. He cited rising costs and the increasing burden on the part of individual districts and pouting out that jointure today is the logical solution and one which the state recommends and supports to alleviate financial burdens as well as providing the

schools. Royalton depends on means to construct modern facilities for distressed districts.

Although uninvited and not considered by the PTA for Tuesday's meeting, the Steelton School District was mentioned as another potential district to constitute the jointure embracing lower Dauphin County. This matter was presented by a spokesman from the six-member delegation present from Highspire.



#### 55 years and counting ...



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The Middletown Area High School Class of 1962 held its 55th reunion Saturday, Aug. 19, at American Legion Post 594 on East High Street in Middletown. The class has gotten together every five years since graduation to celebrate, and the reunions have been extremely well attended with more than 70 people making this year's get-together. A picnic-style luncheon was served.

# Free home water, septic system workshop in Dauphin County

Penn State Extension will offer a free workshop about home water systems from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 12 at the Dauphin County Agriculture & Natural Resources Center, 1451 Peters Mountain Road, Dauphin.

Topics will include protecting, testing and treating private water supplies and also septic system inspection and maintenance. Tips to protect home heating oil tanks will be provided.

Register by Monday, Sept. 11 at http://extension.psu.edu/water or call the Penn State Extension Dauphin County Office at 717-921-8803.

Free drinking water screening for coliform bacteria, E. coli, pH, total dissolved solids, and nitrate will be provided to the first 30 households that register at each workshop. Results from simple tests can help guide you in future testing by accredited labs. Sample collection instructions will be provided after you register.

Wells supply water to more than 25,000 homes in Dauphin County, mostly in suburban and rural areas. Many residents also use on-lot septic systems to treat and dispose of wastewater. This workshop will help you learn how to protect your family and property.

This workshop is being offered in partnership with Capital Region Water and the Clarks Creek Watershed Preservation Association. Support for this workshop is provided by the Master Well Owner Network grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and the Pennsylvania Ground Water Association.

For more, contact Jennifer Fetter, watershed and youth development educator for Penn State Extension, at 717-921-8803 or email: jrf21@psu.edu.

#### As a new school year gets underway, know the laws related to buses

As school begins, share the road from school buses when their red safely with school buses and other school transportation vehicles.

Pennsylvania law requires motorists stop at least 10 feet away

lights are flashing and their stop arm is extended.

Motorists following or traveling alongside a school bus must also stop until the red lights have stopped flashing and the stop arm is withdrawn.

Do not proceed until all the children have reached a place of safety.

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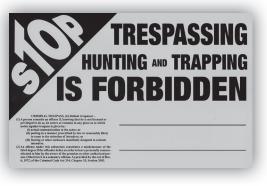
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# Small group holds local vigil in wake of Charlottesville violence

#### By Dan Miller danmiller@pressandjournal.com

Middletown residents added their voices to the many who have been gathering in cities and towns across the country in response to the violence that occurred in Charlottesville, Virginia, on Aug. 12.

With torches and candles for lighting as dusk approached, a group of about 20 people gathered to quietly sing and pray Tuesday, Aug. 15, at Middletown Church of God on High Street.

"We just had to step up to the plate and say something," senior church Pastor Kim Shifler said in opening the event, which began at 8 p.m. "We're here to mourn the loss of some people who lost their lives through this, we're here to confess our own sinfulness in racism, we're here to talk about perhaps ways we can do better."

A moment of silence was observed to honor the passing of Heather Heyer, the 32-year-old Charlottesville woman who was killed when a car plowed into a group of counter-protesters at a white nationalist rally. Nineteen



STAFF PHOTO BY DAN MILLER

Musicians Kyle Landiak (on drums) and Ian Heikel (guitar) perform during the vigil that was held at Middletown Church of God on Aug. 15 in response to the violence in Charlottesville, Virginia.

other people were injured.

The driver, identified by authorities as 20-year-old James Alex Fields Jr., has been charged with second-degree murder and other counts.

Shifler also mentioned by name the two Virginia state police officers who were killed in a helicopter crash while responding to the event in Charlottesville, Lt. H. Jay Cullen and Trooper Pilot Burke M.M. Bates.

She asked that those gathered search their own hearts and confess "those things that have kept us from loving other people, whether it has been because of their political views, whether it's been because of the color of their skin, whether it's been because of a clash of personalities — we must begin by confessing our own sin."

Word of the vigil was spread through Facebook. "Stop the hate, spread the love" read a post that was put on the Middletown Residents United page on Monday, Aug. 14.

Shifler talked of how unfortunate it is that racism continues to plague the nation, more than 150 years after the Civil War.

"You would have thought that it would have ended at some point, but it hasn't," she said. "We ask for cleansing, not only of our attitudes in our personal lives, but we ask for cleansing in this United States of America, that this hatred that has gone on for so long can be eradicated, can be done away with, that attitudes can change, that people can be different."

# Hicks: 20 years as a crossing guard, and back for more

#### By David Barr

davidbarr@pressandjournal.com

Almost every school day, without fail for 20 years, children walking to and from Fink Elementary School have seen the same sight a few blocks from the school building.

At the corner of Adelia and Conewago streets stands Harry Hicks, stop sign in hand, ready to halt traffic to ensure students safely cross the streets. What is also ready in addition to his stop sign is a smile, a wave and a hello to all who approached the intersection whether it be a walking child or a motorist.

Hicks finished his 20th year as a crossing guard for the MiddletownArea School District at the conclusion of the 2016-2017 school year and is ready for his 21st year starting next week. Prior to his role as a crossing guard, Hicks spent 24 years working at the Middletown Water Co, before retiring in 1994 He says it was just before 1996 that he was offered the job as a crossingguard for Fink Elementary because the school needed one. Hicks has been a constant for walkers and drivers during his 20-year tenure. For two 45-minute sessions a day for the better part of nine months out of the year, Hicks is out enduring the elements in the name of ensuring walker and driver safety. Dr. Chelton Hunter, a former Fink principal who is now assistant to the superintendent, described Hicks as "salt of the earth." "He'd probably throw himself in front of a car for those kids," Hunter said. Hicks has been on the job for 20 years, and if it hadn't been for a patch of ice, he might have a perfect attendance. Hicks slipped and injured his arm early in 2009 and was out of commission for "quite awhile" according to former Fink secretary Tina Shope. No one was exactly sure how much time Hicks missed (Shope thought six weeks and records indicate he was out at least



conversation until the child had successfully passed through the street.

"He's there through any kind of weather. If there's school, Harry's there,"Thompson said. "He's wonderful at it and he loves the kids."

Hicks has been at the crossing guard position for so long that as he puts it, "they all know me around here."

He's also been there so long, there are Middletown alumnae that recall when they were young and Hicks was a warm, smiling certainty during their day. One of those is Jessica Gonzalez (Class of 2012). In her post on the Middletown Residents United Facebook page, she commented that Hicks was the crossing guard when she was in grades five through seven from 2004 to 2006 and he "also said hi and was always friendly!"

If Hicks was having a bad day, Gonzalez and others could never tell and as time went on, it was a mutual decision between both parties to go beyond simply being students and crossing guard to becoming people who were interested in the others' well-being. "He was more than a crossing guard,"Gonzalezsaid, adding that Hicks was more like a friend or a caringgrandparent."He definitely looked out for us. He's definitely a good person." Fink instructional aide Brenda Hollingsworth has been at Fink for over 30 years and has known Hicks since he lived on South Catherine Street. She complimented Hicks for his compassion and the respect he has for others. "If we had more people like him, it'd be a better world," she said. "I'm glad they (the school district) had such a faithful person," she added. Through it all, Hicks simply comes back day after day to see his duty through to the best of his abilities and has no plans to stop his crossing guard duties as long as he has his health.



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It isn't just students that Harry Hicks has a greeting for, as drivers will receive a hello from Hicks and many will wave or honk their horn in return.

four weeks) but he was so missed by the students that some of them took the initiative to make Hicks get-well cards at home,

and when their teachers heard what they had done, it soon became a schoolwide

project. Hicks started down at Fink Elementary School and eventually was moved to his current post at the intersection of Adelia and Conewago. No matter where he's positioned, the joy of helping walkers never left Hicks. He says every now and again he'll have treats for both the children and the dogs that reside near his post.

Several times during his shift,

people will roll down their windows and acknowledge Hicks and in return they will receive a kind word from Hicks before they pull away. It's not just the students Hicks becomes friendly with, as he also takes the time to learn their parents' and siblings' names.

Donna Miller Thompson used to live on the corner of Adelia and Conewago up until a year and a half ago, and currently resides down Conewago. In that time, she had the opportunity to chat with Hicks several times and Thompson came to see Hicks as always positive and the kind of person that one would like to have for a neighbor. She said he would always keep his eye on the intersection, watching for approaching students.

Even if one was half a block away, she said, he'd pause the

"People are nice to me," Hicks said. "I like doing what I'm doing. I'm glad I can help the children get across the street safe."

## Harrisburg International Airport gets \$10.9 million federal grant for runway

A \$10.9 million federal grant has been awarded to Harrisburg International Airport to rehabilitate the airport's only runway.

The funds will be used to prolong the life of the runway pavement, replace centerline lights, upgrade lead-on lights, reconfigure the Surface Movement Guidance and Control System, and upgrade runway surface monitoring equipment, according to an Aug. 21 news release from U.S. Rep. Lou Barletta, R-Hazelton. His 11th Congressional District includes areas north and west of Middletown.

In June, Barletta co-authored an amendment that increases Airport Improvement Program funding to airports nationwide to deal with a backlog of needed infrastructure projects, according to a release from his office. The amendment restores program funding to the fiscal year 2011 level — \$3.52 billion — and increases the amount by 2 percent in each subsequent year.

Airports in Pennsylvania have identified \$700 million in critical infrastructure projects, Barletta said.

## Lower Swatara man charged in February heroin death

Lower Swatara police have charged a township man with supplying the heroin that led to the death by overdose of woman Feb. 5, 2017.

Charges of drug delivery resulting in death; and manufacture, delivery or possession with intent to manufacture or deliver were filed by township police on Tuesday, Aug. 22, against Christopher James Theurer, 41, of the 2000 block of Market Street Extended.

Theurer had not turned himself into police as of Tuesday afternoon.

The victim overdosed on heroin while in a campsite along Swatara Park Road in the township on Feb. 2, police said in charging documents filed with District Judge Michael Smith.

The woman's boyfriend tried to revive her and a township police officer administered two doses of

Naloxone, a drug known to reverse theeffects of an opioid overdose. However, the victim was pronounced dead three days later at the Penn State Milton S. Hershey Theurer

Medical Center. On July 25, toxicology results obtained through Dauphin County Medical Examiner Dr. Wayne K. Rossfound that the victim's death was caused by acute morphine and Fentanyl toxicity.

Police were led to Theurer through cellphone records, as well as calls that were made between the victim and Theurer through Facebook Messenger, according to the charging documents.

### **CAMERAS:** Work remains before body cameras come to borough

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and police had regarding body cameras — whether the audio or video recordings are subject to the state Right-To-Know law.

As Marsico noted, the law expressly exempts audio and video recordings made by police in Pennsylvania using body cameras from provisions of the 2008 Right-To-Know law.

Instead, the legislation sets for th a separate process that is to govern a request from an individual or an organization for audio and video recordings that police make using body cameras.

No police departments in Dauphin County have body cameras yet. Marsico said he believes Swatara Township and Harrisburg City are the police departments in the county that are closest to using body cameras.

Police in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh have begun using body cameras, as have police in several smaller municipal police departments throughout Pennsylvania, Wolf said in a July 7 news release issued regarding his signing of the body cameras legislation.

"Body-worn cameras strengthen police accountability, prevent confrontational situations, and improve evidence documentation," Wolf said.

Marsico said he favors use of body cameras by police in the county, for several reasons.

"They may help police and pros-

certain criminal prosecutions, he said. "We see that withdashboard camera footage already, espe-

Body cameras will protect police ate behavior," the DA noted. In situations where police misconduct has occurred, body cameras will "bolster the case against those individuals" Marsico added.

In Middletown, public discussion — albeit very preliminary has begun regarding outfitting borough police with body cameras.

On Aug. 15, the police department under new permanent Chief George Mouchette gave a presentation to borough council about the need to upgrade the department's entire capability when it comes to the use of cameras to document evidence and to provide surveillance at the police station.

The department advised council of a quote from one company to upgrade the department's existing camera system at a cost of \$223,000. The new system would accommodate the use of body-worn cameras, said Charlie Reuter of Intermix, the borough's information technology provider.

Council took no action regarding the presentation. Other estimates for such a system would ecutors make a stronger case" in need to be solicited from other

"We would have a lot of work before we could be able to roll out body cameras, although long term I think they are a goal to shoot for, because I think they protect the officers and the public, but we would have a lot of work to do to get there."

Solicitor Adam Santucci

companies, Mayor James H. Curry III and Council Vice President Dawn Knull both said.

Back in July — apparently before borough officials knew that Wolf had signed the new state law — Curry had told council of an anonymous person who won a police body camera in a drawing, and who wanted to donate the equipment to Middletown Police Department.

Solicitor Adam Santucci advised at the time that implementing body cameras for the department is not something that can happen overnight.

"We would have a lot of work before we could be able to roll out body cameras, although long term I think they are a goal to shoot for, because I think they protect the officers and the public, but we would have a lot of work to do to get

there," Santucci advised council. "There's a financial investment, a policy investment, a training investment, a server investment, a Right-To-Know investment. There's a lot of impediments to rolling out, which I think ultimately is a good thing.<sup>2</sup>

Even with the new state law now in place, police departments looking to implement use of body cameras need to have their own policies in place to govern use of the equipment, Marsico said.

Wolf as part of signing the bill also announced the awarding of a \$52,000 federal grant to help fund a pilot program of body-worn cameras by Pennsylvania State Police. The grant allows for the purchase of approximately 30 cameras by State Police, the governor said.

The primary goal of the pilot program is to create a way for state police to develop and implement policy and training programs related to body-worn cameras, according to the news release. The state police have begun work on all policies and procedures, training curriculum, and funding for backend components to commence the pilot program.

State Police hope to have body cameras out in the field through the pilot program by early 2018, said Ryan Tarkowski, communications director for the State Police.

It is too early to say if any of the state police body cameras in the pilot program will be worn by troopers in Dauphin County,

#### **TOWN TOPICS**

#### **Meet the Raiders Night** is coming up next week

Meet the Raiders Night will be held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 31 at War Memorial Field.

Raider fans are invited to kick off the fall sports season and meet the Blue Wave Band, Raider cheerleaders, and fall varsity athletes. Refreshments will be sponsored by the Blue and Gold Club.

Come support your Blue Raiders as we launch another year of Blue and Gold Pride!

#### Chicken barbecue at fire company Saturday

Londonderry Fire Company, 2655 Foxianna Road, Middletown, is sponsoring a chicken barbecue from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26.

For delivery, please call 944-2175.

#### Upcoming reunion for LD Class of 1977

Lower Dauphin High School Class of 1977 will hold its 40th reunion on Saturday, Sept. 9 at The Cocoa Beanery in Hershey. Class members are requested

to send their contact information to ldclassof77@gmail.com or Cindy Bechtel Gould at 671-8562.

Class members are asked to include their name, address, phone number and email address. Class members are also encouraged to join the Lower Dauphin Class of 1977 Facebook group.

#### Nuclear Night at **Midtown Cinema**

Three Mile Island is sponsoring a Nuclear Night at Midtown Cinema in Harrisburg. Featured



#### will be a documentary titled "Pandora's Promise," to be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 29. The proceeds from the event will benefit the Lower Dauphin STEM Program.

#### Women's Day Away is Sept. 9 at church

Women's Day Away will be held at First Church of God, 245 W. High St., Middletown, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9. The speaker is Sue Duffield.

For more information and to register online by Sept. 1, visit www.middletowncog.org/ events.

#### Live music on the deck at Sunset Bar & Grill

Cruise Control will perform on the deck at Sunset Bar & Grill, 2601 Sunset Drive, at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24.

#### **Bingo Blast at fire** company is Saturday

Hummelstown Fire Company, 249 E. Main St., Hummelstown, is sponsoring a Bingo Blast at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26. Doors open at 5 p.m.

#### Auto, truck, motorcycle show is Sept. 9

An Auto, Truck and MotorcycleShow will be held at the Lawn Fire Hall Carnival Grounds from 3 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9. The event is sponsored by 2nd Chance4LifeRescue, and admission is free.

Featured will be a live band, Half & Half, a silent auction and door prizes. For more information, go to 2nd chance 4 liferescue. org/info/events.

# **HOOVER:** Barber plans to move close by after construction ends

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construction around him.

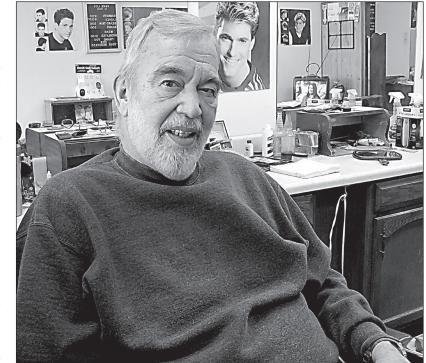
Hoover's business, Olmsted Plaza Barber Shop, is located in the former Jamesway Plaza on West Harrisburg Pike, close to where a four-story, 87-room Comfort Inn & Suites Harrisburg Airport hotel and other businesses are being constructed.

His is the last business in the old strip mall. For now, Hoover is staying put, but he knows he will eventually have to move and will once new buildings are built.

"I'm happy here to tell you the truth, but things change," Hoover said. "It'll eventually get there."

Hoover said that just because his shop will be torn down doesn't mean he'll quit the business.

On the contrary, he said, he plans to continue running his business once there is a building



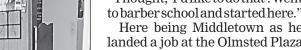
"Thought, 'I'd like to do that'. Went

Here being Middletown as he landed a job at the Olmsted Plaza Barbershop out of school and eventually bought out his bosses and began running the business himself in 1962.

The best part of being in a demand-laden career like haircutting for Hoover is meeting the different people he services.

"You never know who you'll run into," Hoover said.

Take the time a vain reporter came in just to see herself on television. The Three Mile Island incident had occurred and Hoover was at work when a woman from New York entered the shop and told him to turn on the television. The woman in question was a news reporter and had wrapped up a segment about the events taking place with Three Mile Island.



Tarkowski said.

cially with DUI cases,"Marsico Santucci said. from "false claims of inappropri-

constructed for him to move into, whenever that is.

Hoover repeatedly has said he's been in touch with those in charge of constructing the new buildings in Linden Centre as part of the renovation project, and Marisa Benjamin of Towne Retail confirmed it has been "in discussions with him" about a new



#### Doug Hoover relaxes at his Olmsted Plaza Barber Shop as construction looms outside his front window.

location, but could not add further detail until final negotiations are completed.

Benjamin could not predict when they would be finished.

Hoover knew from a young age that he wanted a career in haircutting.

"It's what I wanted to do while in high school," Hoover said.

"She wanted to see herself on TV," Hoover said.

He doesn't dwell on how he's stayed in business for nearly 55 years, he said he just keeps on cutting hair and welcoming customers, regulars and newcomers through the door.

"That's the way business is," Hoover said.



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brings and compare it to Monday's event, adding that it's not often you get to compare events like this so close together.

Muller's older son Shawn viewed the eclipse and had a good description of what people were seeing Monday afternoon.

"It looked like part of the sun and part of the moon at the same time," Muller said.

In downtown Middletown, people stopped what they were doing to go outside and experience a rare occurrence. It was one of those events that seems to bring everybody together.

Ryan Burkett, owner of the Vapeology vaping shop at South Union and East Emaus streets, had fashioned a large pin-hole device from a cardboard box. He learned how to make it on YouTube.

Using his cellphone, he took photos of the images of the sun being blocked out by the moon that appeared inside his box, in order to show a time-lapse progression of the eclipse.

"It's awesome," Burkett said. "I saw one when I was younger. I was in middle school. I was in metal shop, so we took welding helmets out. I don't think it was approved, but it was cool."

To Zachary Ruby, it seemed like the entire sky was changing, as more and more of the sun was being covered over by the moon.

"It's pretty wild. The light outside looks different for some reason," said Ruby, who also works at Vapeology. "It's getting gloomy, likeit's about to rain. The sky looks darker over there then it does over here. It's just pretty wild looking.'

- Reporter Dan Miller contributed to this story.



STAFF PHOTO BY DAVID BARR Larry Robbins examines Monday's eclipse at the Middletown Swim Club using special glasses.

### **BANNERS:** Commemorative booklet of banners will be offered

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The banners going up in Middletown this year are to stay up until sometime in fall, when the borough is to take down the banners for winter storage.

But that could change.

"Depending on the weather, maybe they can stay up" all winter, McGlone said.

If the banners are taken down, all the banners that were hung this year will be put back up in spring 2018 and hang until fall, when the borough will take the banners down and return them

to their owners.

Going forward, each set of banners is to hang over a two-year period before being returned to their owners, McGlone said.

"As long as I sit at that council table there will be Hometown Heroes banners hung throughout Middletown, and we will be ordering them next year regardless of any concerns or issues or pushback from council," said McGlone, who is to be on council at least through the end of 2019.

#### **Commemorative booklet**

McGlone also announced in

a Facebook post that a commemorative booklet containing a photo of all the banners hung in Middletown in 2017 will be available starting in November for \$15. All proceeds will be donated to

Pennsylvania Wounded Warriors, a nonprofit organization that assists wounded military personnel. she said.

The booklet will also include stories from sponsors and family members about each military person who is the subject of one of the banners, McGlone said.

The booklets will be available for purchase at Middletown Public Library and at other locations in town to be announced. People can pre-order a booklet by calling Robert Hauser at 717-460-8700, or by contacting McGlone at 717-329-8102 or by emailing dm0293@ comcast.net

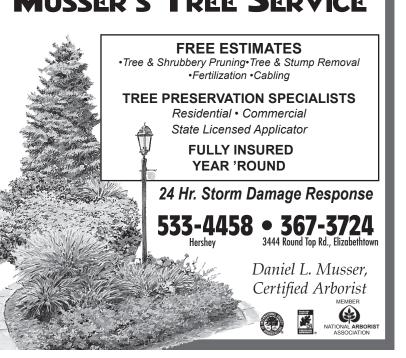
McGlone's intent is to see the same kind of booklet published each year to coincide with the banners that are hung in Middletown during that particular year.

Separately, McGlone also said she plans to make public a list of all the locations of all the banners that have been hung in Middletown in 2017.



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### MANGIA: Pizza delivery made special during Monday night event

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in Londonderry Township.

Council Vice President Dawn Knull, another of the volunteer drivers, had challenged Curry and the others in a competition to see who would raise the most money in tips for the night.

The mayor won, collecting \$429.89, although Curry noted that included a \$100 check earmarked for Kids Kastle that a man had left in the mayor's mailbox before the event.

Even without that \$100, Curry collected \$329.89 in tips compared to the \$305 that Knull and two other volunteers riding with her raised during the night.

But the real winner is the town of Middletown, Curry said, of which the mayor is justifiably proud.

"Middletown is a working class town. For people to go out of their way" and donate tips of \$5,\$10, and in some cases a lot more, "to me, that's just really touching.'

"I saw people from every walk of life give yesterday. Every single penny counts when you are doing something like this," the mayor added.

"To help out the town," was Myers' response when asked why she was participating in the event. She also takes her granddaughter to Kids Kastle.

"This hits home for me," said Angela Noon of East Roosevelt Avenue, who also had the chance to get to know new Police Chief George Mouchette, who was her pizza delivery driver.

"Our little girl who is now 21 used to go to Kids Kastle. It just needs to continue," said Noon.

The mayor approached J&J for the event because the restaurant normally doesn't do delivery. That way the volunteers wouldn't be taking tips from delivery drivers, Curry said.

of business during the event that it would compared to a typical Monday night, Curry said he was told by J&J's owner.

"Wow," was what Leann Lawson of J&J's, who was taking many of the phone orders during the event, had to say when asked how it was going. J&J's had received almost 100 delivery orders by about 7:30

"This is way above average for what we would normally do on a Monday night. That just tells us the community was paying atten-

tion," she said. Despite the success of the event, Lawson said J&J's has no plans to start doing deliveries on a regular basis.

"It would be like this everyday," Lawson said. But J&J's would be open to doing this kind of fundraiser again, she added.

BesidesCurry,Knull,Mouchette and the five fire department volunteers - Brent Walko, Shawn Menear, Kody Krupilis, Chris Clouser and Christian Slesser others helping out were Council President Damon Suglia and councilors Ben Kapenstein and Ian Reddinger, Borough Manager Ken Klinepeter, Public Works Director Greg Wilsbach, and residents Crystal McGuire, Troy Knull, and Lisa Godshall.

"I'm really pleased at how the word got out. It's just blowing up their phones" at J&J, said Wilsbach while on the way to a delivery to Lynn Briner's house on Ann Street.

"This is something I've never done. I may just have to retire and go into the pizza delivery business. I kind of enjoy it," Wilsbach said.

Curry may have raised the most tips but it's doubtful that anyone exceeded Klinepeter's dedication to the cause. The brakes went out on Klinepeter's truck while he was making a delivery. Undeterred, he returned in another vehicle to make more deliveries.

The \$2,324.24 itself almost certainly isn't enough to fix Kids Kastle, Curry said. The event was meant to "jump start" something borough residents have been talking about since Curry became mayor in 2014, but to date nothing has ever really been done.

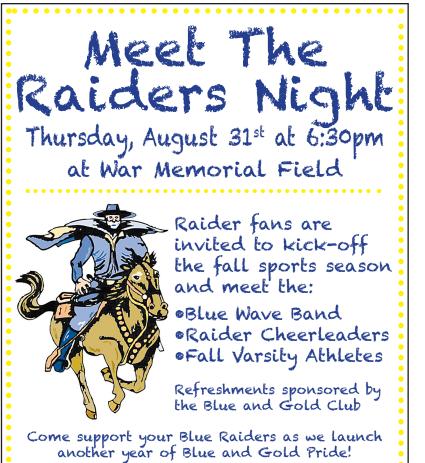
Curry has asked Wilsbach to do J&J'sdidthreetimestheamount an analysis of Kids Kastle to see whether the playground just needs some surface repairs, such as redecking, or if it will be necessary to replace the entire playground.

The mayor is also talking to some companies about raising donations of manpower and/or materials that could go toward repairing and/or replacing Kids Kastle.



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Borough Public Works Director Greg Wilsbach makes a delivery to Lynn Briner on Ann Street on Monday night.





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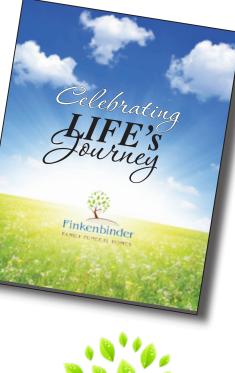
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#### MIDDLETOWN AREA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

# **New-look Raiders take to the field**

#### **By Larry Etter** Press & Journal Staff

had a productive scrimmage with Hershey on Saturday morning at War Memorial Field.

mages, Saturday's was a chance for the coaches to see their players in live action against other teams. Along with the first looks, it also

evaluate their players in game-like

situations.

As is normal, the coaches shuffled a lot of players in and out The Middletown football team of the lineups, which took away any real consistency on both the offensive and defensive units.

While there were the anticipated As with most first-week scrim- negatives that showed, there were also some positives that came out of the scrum with the improved Trojans, points for Brett Myers and his position coaches to build gave the staff an opportunity to on during the week of practice that followed.

The Blue Raiders scored several touchdowns on offense and gave up a couple of scores on defense, although no official score was kept for the game.

Nearly two dozen seniors graduated in 2017, including running back Jaelen Thompson (the program's all-time leading rusher), quarterback Chase Snavely, and receiver Laron Woody. That team went 14-1 and made the program's first trip to the state title game in Division 3A.

On offense Saturday, the Raiders showed the ability to run the ball, even with returning 1,000-yard rusher Brady Fox sitting out while nursing a physical condition and just one starter, Brendan Douglass, back from last year.

Sophomore Jose Lopez, who picked up a good bit of playing time with the varsity team in 2016, showed flashes of moves and speed as he broke off a couple of long runs for scores. Devin Martin also had a couple nice runs.

The passing game was OK as well as junior quarterbacks Scott Ash and Jordan McCoy split time with the varsity unit.

Senior Tre Leach has been working at quarterback but was limited to defense on Saturday. Junior Ariel Paulino manned the spot with the junior varsity squad.

Defensively, the Blue Raiders played pretty well, with the exception of a few option plays that Hershey found success with.

On the very first play of the scrimmagelinebackerKyleTruesdale intercepted a pitchout from the Trojan quarterback. That play in a normal game could have led to a score for the Blue Raiders, but with the 10-play format in use, there was no turnover.

The defensive backs were active and had a pair of interceptions, including one recorded by senior Tyreer Mills.

All things considered, the Raiders showed plenty of potential as this year's team goal is to develop its own identity. Coming on the heels of last year's memorable season they know how to win and they know what it takes to be successful. A second scrimmage, this one on Friday night at Lampeter-Strasburg, will show how much the team is progressing. L-S is one of the top teams in the Lancaster-Lebanon League. Starting time is at 6 p.m. The Blue Raiders start out the regular season at home Sept. 1 vs. Lower Dauphin in the traditional Iron Spike Bowl.



Senior Devin Martin breaks free for a long run during a home scrimmage vs. Hershey on Saturday.



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PHOTOS SPECIAL TO THE PRESS & JOURNAL BY BILL DARRAH Gage Radabaugh, a junior linebacker and fullback, watches his teammate make a tackle on Saturday. See more photos on page B6.

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9/29	Trinity	7 p.m.
10/6	Palmyra	7:30 p.m.
10/14	Camp Hill #	2 p.m.
10/20	Boiling Springs	7 p.m.
10/27	Milton Hershey @	7 p.m.
11/3	Steel-High	7 p.m.

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\* scrimmage # Homecoming @ Senior Night

STAFF PHOTO BY DAVID BARF

Senior Jacob Spear looks to pass to a teammate as Jacob Idowu trails him down the field during the second half of a Middletown practice Aug. 18.

# Boys soccer team wants to build on last year's playoff run

#### **By David Barr**

davidbarr@pressandjournal.com

A 6-0 loss to top-seeded Tulpehocken brought the Middletown boys soccer team's season to an end last year, but the fact that Middletown advanced that far at all is impressive.

Starting goalie Avery Williams suffered an injury in the beginning of the season and was replaced by Tommy Lee for the rest of the year. Not only did the starting goalie go down, but the head coach stepped down as well.

The team was forced to deal with a coaching change after Larry Kapenstein left the position in September, despite the team being 5-0 at that point in the season. Kapenstein had been coach since 2014, amassing a 26-16 record in a little over two full seasons. Kapenstein was replaced by Chelton Hunter, who guided the team to a 12-7 overall record and a third-place finish in the Mid-Penn Capital division.

That was good enough to earn the Raiders the 8th seed in the District 3 playoffs and a home game against Trinity in the first round. The Raiders defeated Trinity 4-1 to set up the matchup with Tulpehocken, where they suffered

#### **Boys varsity** soccer schedule, 2017

Aug. 29*	Penn Manor	4 p.m.
Sept. 1	Harrisburg	4 p.m.
Sept. 5	Trinity	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	East Pennsboro	6:30 p.m
Sept. 9	<b>Bishop McDevitt</b>	10 a.m.
Sept. 12	West Perry	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	Camp Hill	7 p.m.
Sept. 18	Big Spring	7 p.m.
Sept. 19	Milton Hershey	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	Susquehanna Twp.	6:30 p.m
Sept. 23	Trinity	10 a.m.
Sept. 26	East Pennsboro	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	Bishop McDevitt	6:30 p.m
Sept. 30	James Buchanan	10 a.m.
Oct. 3	West Perry	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	Camp Hill	4 p.m.
Oct. 10	Milton Hershey	4 p.m.
Oct. 12	Susque. Twp.	7 p.m.
Oct. 17	Red Land	7 p.m.

home games in bold

\* scrimmage

a shutout loss to end the season. In late February, Brian Keyser was tabbed as the next head coach

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#### LOWER SWATARA POLICE ROUNDUP

# Several car accidents occur in township

An Irwin resident pleaded guilty to a traffic citation following an investigation of her involvement in a two-car crash at 5:41 p.m. Aug. 9 in the 800 block of South Eisenhower Boulevard.

Police said Marie Campion, 21, pleaded guilty to a citation for turning left. The investigating officer said Campion was driving a 2012 Chevrolet Sonic and turned left into the Taco Bell restaurant and into the path of a 2010 Mazda 3 that was traveling south on Eisenhower Boulevard.

Both Campion and a passenger were taken to the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center for treatment of minor injuries. Additional information about the injuries was not reported.

The driver of the other vehicle was not injured.

According to police, Campion's car sustained damage to its passenger side and its air bags deployed during the crash. The other car sustained damage to its front end.

#### **Fulling Mill Road crash**

Sasha Santos, 22, of the 700 block of South Second Street, Steelton, has been cited for driving without a license following her involvement in a crash at 2:04 p.m. Aug. 9 in the 500 block of Fulling Mill Road, police report.

According to police, Santos was driving a 2003 Nissan Altima that traveled into the path of a 2009 Mitsubishi Lancer while both cars were being driven on Fulling Mill Road.

Police said no one was injured as a result of the crash although both vehicles sustained damage. Santos was cited after police reportedly discovered she had a learner's permit but that no adultwas in her vehicle at the time of the incident.

#### **Citation filed in CVS incident**

Nicole Balsbaugh, 35, of the 200 block of West Second Street, Hummelstown, was cited for disorderly conduct following an incident at the CVS store on West Harrisburg Pike, police report. Police said the accused caused

a disturbance involving a prescription at the pharmacy at 2:52 p.m. Aug. 9.

Police said no one was injured during the incident.

# World War II roundtable speaker saw devastation at Hiroshima, Nagasaki

Shamokin native Mickey Yon- J a p a n e s e kovig is a witness to history.

As a 19-year-old, he served as radar/radio operator in a B-24 bomber and completed 23 missions in the Pacific, 13 over Japan.

Yonkovig will share some of his recollections of wartime service at the Sept. 7 meeting of the Central PA WWII Roundtable.

Two missions in particular standout, he said. On Aug. 7, 1944, Yonkovig flew over Hiroshima and saw firsthand the destruction caused the previous day by the first atomic bomb.

Two days later, he flew over Nagasaki when the second bomb was dropped.

He said in a recent interview, "I saw Hiroshima and Nagasaki both. I tried to blank out the experiences. They still come back to me." On Feb. 7, 1945, while stationed in Saipan, Yonkovig saw the invasion fleet on its way to invade Iwo Jima. Later that month, he joined the 867th Bomb Squadron, 494th Bombardment Group. His missions included hitting small

tress" bomb-Yonkovig ers. The Central Pennsylvania WWII Roundtable

St., Hummelstown.

Anyone with an interest in

# Blue Raider golfers look to improve on last season's one-win effort

#### **By David Barr** davidbarr@pressandjournal.com

For the last few years, Middle-

town golf has mostly been in the bunker as far as results go. But this year, the hope is to be more in the fairway.

Last year, the team went winless in Mid-Penn Colonial Division play and won one match overall. Coach Charles Bowen is back for the 30th year and isn't pulling any punches on the outlook of the 2017 season.

"We don't have talent compared to other teams," Bowen said.

Despite the blunt assessment, there are some positives. Seniors Darius Waters and Matt Schopf are back, as is sophomore Cole Grabuloff, but they are the only returning players. The rest of the squad consists of sophomore Justin Yohn, seniors Owen Haederer and Tyler Miller, and freshman Dillan Grav.

Grabuloff has spent the most amount of time on the links this summer, with about 40 rounds played, but the rest of the squad hasn't fared so well, with other commitments preventing them from getting practice.

"I'm looking for better things," Bowen said, which isn't referring only to the wins and losses record, but how players progress and improve as golf players, their attitudes toward the sport and other players, and their ability to recover from a bad shot.

While the players are aware of the challenges before them, they are focused on laying the foundation that leads Middletown golf to glory.

'We definitely want to get some more wins," Schopf said. "I definitely think we have some more potential."

A lack of experience and talent aren't the only challenges Middletown will face this year. The home course, Sunset Golf Course, is an obstacle as it underwent a major facelift this past winter and spring. The course removed 600 trees on the front nine holes, transforming the front nine into a links-style course.

The trees were removed to aid in improving the safety of incoming and departing planes from the HarrisburgInternationalAirport.



Sophomore Cole Grabuloff prepares to hit his first shot of the season on the first hole at Sunset Golf Course on Aug. 17. Grabuloff is one of three returning players for Middletown this year.



The Middletown golf team poses for a photo at Sunset Golf Course prior to a scrimmage match against Susquehanna Township and Daysprings Christian on Thursday, Aug. 17. In the front row left to right are Tyler Miller and Dillan Gray. In the back row left to right are Cole Grabuloff, Darius Waters, Matt Schopf, Justin Yohn, and Coach Charles Bowen. Missing from the photo is Owen Haederer.

aggressive or conservative.

next shot more difficult. Players said with the new-look rounding the team, Bowen said he believes things will be better for Middletown golf.



Senior Darius Waters prepares to drive on the first hole at Sunset Golf Course during a scrimmage on the afternoon of Aug. 17.

Even with the difficulties sur- hanna Township was second with a 394, and Middletown was third with a 420. Sophomore Cole Grabuloff finished with a 100 on the day after shooting a 45 on the front nine and a 55 on the back nine.



is a nonprofit organization that provides a forum for World War II veterans, authors, historians and others to share their knowledge and experiences related to the war. Meetings, held the first Thursday of every month, begin at 7 p.m. at Grace United Methodist Church, 433 E. Main

World War II is invited to attend the meetings. There are no membership or admission fees.

For more information, contact Charlie Lloyd at charlie.centralpaww2rt@gmail.com or 717-503-2862, or visit the organization's website at www.centralpaww2roundtable.org

A links-style course is used to describe a course on which there are a number of sand bunkers and few trees.

The back nine was spared from major changes and stayed a traditional-style course, with more trees on that half.

With having essentially two style of courses in one, players will have to adjust midway through a round with whether they play

front nine holes, they'll be able to play with more power there, while toning their swings down on the back nine to avoid losing a ball in the woods.

Bowen mentioned some of the hazards created during the renovation process by the course include fairway bunkers on holes 4 and 9 and the fact players will have to play hole 1 to the right or risk landing in high grass, making the

"We will improve. There's only one way to go and that's up,' Bowen said.

The team played a scrimmage on Thursday, Aug. 17, at Sunset Golf Course against Susquehanna Township and Daysprings Christian Academy. Daysprings won with a team score of 382. Susque-

Bowen said he expected both Grabuloff and Schopf to shoot in the 90s, but neither was able to do so.

"As the season goes, we'll improve," Bowen said.









Head coach Brian Keyser, right, chats with players senior Mitch Lee, left, and junior Anthony LaVia, second from right, during halftime of the intersquad scrimmage Aug. 18. In between Lee and LaVia is assistant coach John Cuneo.

### **SOCCER:** Building on success

#### From page B1

and in his first year as the head coach, he's already begun installing his brand of soccer with the players. One element Keyser is focusing on for this fall is condi-

tioning, which was a factor in last year's season, as players tended to lack energy at the conclusion of games, he said.

Keyser said Keyser the goal this

vear is to have everyone who starts on the field finish the game and keep up with their opponents.

With 27 players on the roster, and a dozen seniors out of those 27, players are hungry to not only

return to the playoffs, but advance further than the second round. "These guys remember that and

it's a motivating factor for them," Keyser said of the playoff defeat.

Among the returning seniors is right wing Thomas Einolf, who leads all returning players with 12 goals scored last year. Back are both goalies from last year, Williams and Lee, both of whom are fighting for the starting role.

"Can't make a wrong decision," Keyser said. "Both are very good goalies that the team has complete confidence in."

With the experience for Middletown, the Raiders were selected to finish second in the Mid-Penn Capital division this year.

"It definitely puts the bulls-eye on you," Keyser said. "They are aware of who we are and we have



STAFF PHOTOS BY DAVID BAR

Senior Erick Aidoo, right, attempts to keep the ball away from senior Jacob Idowu during an intersquad scrimmage on the morning of Aug. 18.

to play with some urgency because of that."

Despite this being Keyser's first year as the head coach, the players have already bought into his philosophy of working together to out-work the other teams.

"He's earned all of our respect," Einolf said. "He believes in us. When you have someone like that behind you, it pushes the team. We'll put in the work for him."

Everyone is talking about a return trip to the playoffs, but just returning to playoffs won't be good enough. Senior center midfielder David Alcock said one goal is to have a higher seed going into playoffs. Last year, Middletown was the 8th seed, and only had one home playoff game. Having a higher seed and more home playoff games should help Middletown have a better shot at playing at Hersheypark Stadium, where the District 3 title game is held.

"Obviously we want to get farther than we did last year," Alcock said. "If we play to our top level, we should do very well.'

# CHURCHNE

#### St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church



St. Peter's Lutheran Church is a Reconciling In Christ Church located at Spring & Union Streets (121 N. Spring St), Middletown. Please join us for worship. Our worship times are: Wednesday morning at 10 a.m., Saturday evening at 5 p.m., Sunday morning worship at 10 a.m. Our Sunday worship service is a recording of the 10 a.m. service, which is broadcast at 11 a.m. on WMSS

91.1FM. Our Saturday service is a casual traditional service. This service is usually 45 minutes in length. Please enter the church through the parking lot door. Sunday Church School for all ages will resume September 17 at 9 a.m.

Church and Community Events:

Wed., Aug. 23: 10 a.m., Holy Communion – Sanctuary. Note: Chapel renovations are underway. Chapel services will be held in the main sanctuary until renovations are completed; 7 p.m., Adult Choir.

Sat., Aug. 26: 5 p.m., Holy Communion - Sanctuary.

Sun., Aug. 27: 10 a.m., Holy Communion. There is no community dinner at St. Peter's in August. Our next dinner is Mon., Sept. 11. There is a cost and tickets are available at the door. Food Pantry News:

Especially needed are per-

sonal care/toiletry items: deodorants, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoos, conditioners, cotton swabs, tissues, soap, paper towels, etc. Items collected are taken to the Middletown Area Interfaith Food Pantry located at 201 Wyoming Street, Royalton. Individuals may also take items directly to the food pantry, which is open Tuesdays and Fridays, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 pm. The **Community Action Commission** office is open Tuesdays and Fridays, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the same location.

Visit our website at www.stpetersmiddletown.org.

#### **Evangelical United Methodist Church**



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. We invite you to attend our Sunday morning activities: Sunday school is at 9 a.m. and worship is at 10:15 a.m. When you walk in the door, you will see people of all ages and walks of life, some dressed formally and others

casually in jeans and sneakers. Come as you are.

Our greeters wear nametags, so they are easy to find and they will be happy to help you if you need any assistance or have a question. We celebrate communion the first Sunday of each month. In the spirit of Jesus Christ, and as a congregation in the United Methodist Church, we welcome all (baptized or unbaptized) to partake of the holy sacrament. We invite you to experience life at Evangelical UMC. Whether you are looking for a community, are lonely, searching Newsletter assembly, volunteers for the meaning of life, or want to know more about Jesus, our doors are open for you. Check our website to learn more about us: www.eumch.org. This week's worship assistants Shawl Ministry; 6 p.m., God's are as follows: Pastor - Lee Ellen- Kitchen at Wesley, meal provided berger; Organist - Don Cowsert; Special Music: Glenn Diritto; Audio Visual - Steve Moyer and Jamal Warren; Greeters - Glenn

and Kay Diritto and Jan Hahn; Children's Time - Lee Ellenberger; Head Usher – Scott Green; Nursery Caregivers - Deb Lidle and Joyce Moyer.

The altar flowers for this week are in memory of Gladys Lehman by the Stoops family.

This week's schedule of activities is as follows:

Wed., Aug. 23: 6 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous Book Study Group.

Thurs., Aug. 24: 9:30 a.m.,

#### **Calvary Orthodox Presbyterian Church**



Calvary Church has been a part of the Middletown Borough community since 1936. It has been our privilege to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ all these years and to do so knowing the good news has never changed in over 2000 years. We firmly hold to the Apostles Creed and the Westminster Confession of Faith and its Larger and Shorter Catechisms as clearly

teaching what Scripture teaches. If we believe the Gospel of Christ, then by trusting in his death and resurrection for sinners we can and will be forgiven and saved from God's wrath. Please join us each Sunday to hear the Gospel.

Our services are at 10:15 a.m. and 6 p.m. We are located at the corner of Spruce and Emaus streets here in Middletown. We have a fellowship meal following the 10:15 a.m. morning service on the first Sunday of every month, free to all who come. We

also have Sunday school classes for all ages at 9 a.m., and a Bible Study each Wednesday at 7 p.m. We are now studying the Gospel of Luke.

Feel free to contact us with questions at 944-5835.

#### **Ebenezer United Methodist Church**



Childcare, 890 Ebenezer Road, Middletown invites everyone to join us for worship on Sunday mornings lead by Pastor Brad Gilbert. Our services are relaxed and casual. We offer a traditional service at 8:45 a.m. and a contemporary service with a band (electric guitars) at 10:45 a.m. At 10 a.m., between services, there is a variety of

#### Christian Education classes for all ages.

We have several things happening at Ebenezer and all are welcome. There is a prayer time, "Partners in Prayer" that meets the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. Through scripture, song, and meditation we experience the joy of God's presence.

Have a favorite board game? "Game Night" is every third Monday at 6:30 p.m. We also offer a variety of other groups including Bible studies. Any other questions please call us at 939-0766 or e-mail us at ebenezerumc890@comcast.net.

#### New Beginnings Church of Middletown



We are an independent body of believers offering God's invitation for a new beginning to all who seek it. We exist to meet the spiritual, emotional and physical needs of all people through faith in Jesus Christ. We are a Safe Sanctuary congregation. New Beginnings Church invites you to worship with us each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Nursery and children's church is provided. Our

congregation meets at Riverside Chapel, 630 S. Union St., next to the Rescue Fire Company. Sunday School for all ages is at 9 a.m. We are handicap accessible via ramp at back door.

Youth Fellowship is from 5

#### Women's Day Away Saturday, Sept. 9 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. **Speaker: Sue Duffield**



Registration is only \$25 per person and includes a continental breakfast and light lunch.

For more information and to register Online by Sept. 1, visit www.middletowncog.org/events.





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#### **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



#### **Ebenezer African Methodist Episcopal Church** 329 Market Street, Middletown

Pastor C. VICTORIA BROWN, M.Div. • 215-280-0798 Church School - 10 am •Worship Service - 11 am



#### **Ebenezer United Methodist Church**

"Love God, Love People, Make Disciples' 890 Ebenezer Road, Middletown (Corner of 441 & Ebenezer Road) Phone 939-0766

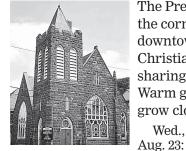
#### needed. Sun., Aug. 27: 9 a.m., Sunday

school; 10:15 a.m., Worship Service. Tues., Aug. 29: 2 p.m., Prayer

by New Thing Community; 6:30 p.m., New Committee meeting at New Beginnings Church.

#### **Presbyterian Congregation of Middletown**

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6:30 p.m., Bible Study at Lisen-

Please join us for Sunday

August 27 as our Pastor Bruce

Humphrey leads us in worship.

Our sanctuary is air-conditioned

and handicapped accessible, and

there are also hearing devices

for anyone wanting to use one.

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service, as well as Bible Listening

bags for children to utilize during

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be accessed anytime at www.pcmdt.org...click on "resources"...

click on "newsletter." (These

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717-944-4322. For further infor-

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The Presbyterian Congregation is located at the corner of Union and Water streets in downtown Middletown. We are a body of Christian people who reach out to others by sharing God's Word, love, and fellowship. Warm greetings to one and all as we seek to grow closer to our Lord Jesus Christ.

> byterianCongregation), or call the office.

The Presbyterian Congregation of Middletown is seeking a part-time organist/keyboardpianist and choir director. Visit www.pcmdt.org for more information.

For further information, see our Website www.pcmdt.org, visit our Facebook page www. facebook.com/Presbyterian Congregation, or call the office.

to 7 p.m. For additional church information call 944-9595. For security purposes our back and side doors will be locked every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. at the start of worship. The only door for entry after that will be the front door.

Mondays: Bible Study for seniors meets at noon before Sociable's; Sociable Seniors group meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month from 1 to 3 p.m.

Wednesdays: Craft Group, 1 p.m.; Choir rehearsals, 6:30 p.m.

Thursdays: Men's Group meets every Thursday morning at 6 a.m. for prayer. Community men invited; Blanket making is the 2nd Thursday of every month at 9 a.m.; Intercessory Prayer Group meets Thursdays at 6 p.m.; Bible study on Thursday nights at 7 p.m. is on prayer. The community is invited.

Saturdays: We clean the Middletown Food Bank the 3rd Saturday every other month. Everyone is welcome to participate in these important areas of our church life.

Pastor Britt writes a daily devotional on Facebook page, "One Way, One Truth, One Life."

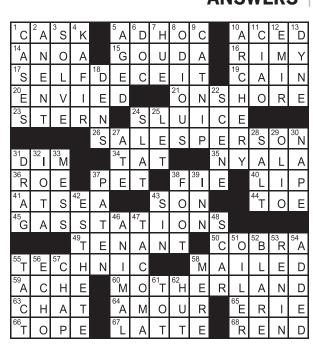
#### In addition, he posts a podcast of Bible study many days. We invite everyone to tune him in for inspiration for their day. Wooden pickets for our prayer

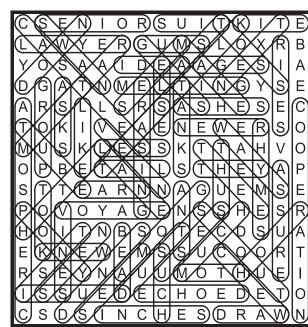
garden, inscribed for the fence, are being sold for a cost in memory of, honor of, or family name. Contact Michelle Strohecker at 717-982-5068. Our 8 ft. cross, made out of nails, is in the prayer garden in the back of the yard and is illuminated every night. Two additional crosses are now in the garden, one on each side of the main cross. Benches are provided for folks to sit on and meditate or enjoy the beauty and quietness along the creek.

Our Sunday worship service is broadcast on the MAHS radio station, WMSS 91.1 FM at 3 p.m. every Sunday afternoon. Listen on the radio or the Internet at www.pennlive.com/wmss/audio. Check us out on our website at www.newbeginningschurchmiddletownpa.com.

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.

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Sunday Worship: Traditional - 8:45 am • Contemporary - 10:45 am Christian Education (All Ages) - 10 am Christian Child Care - 985-1650 BRAD GILBERT, Pastor www.ebenezerumc.net

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#### **New Beginnings Church**





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280 North Race St., Middletown Parish Office 944-3133 REV. TED KEATING, JR., Pastor Saturday Evening Vigil - 5:30 pm Sunday Masses - 8:00 am, 10:30 am & 6:00 pm Confessions: Saturday - 7:30-7:50 am, 4:30-5:15 pm

#### **Wesley United Methodist Church**



64 Ann Street, Middletown PASTOR NAYLO HOPKINS Pastor James Lyles, 10xBetter Phone 944-6242 Sunday Worship - 9:15 am Small Groups - 10:30 am

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# **EDITORIALVIEW** Schools' impact go deeper than just education

From Penn State Harrisburg down to preschools and everywhere in between, school is back in session

Are you one of the students heading to class? Maybe you are a parent, or grandparent, of one of those students. Some of you have no current ties to the schools at all.

If you are one who considers themselves in the latter group, we have news for you. Everyone in the community has ties to the schools. The impact that education — and, at the risk of sounding cold and dispassionate, the "industry of education" — has in our community is deep and broad.

It goes without saying how

important that learning is in any community.

When newcomers with children look to move into a community, the quality of the schools is one of the most important factors. A solid educational base leads to an employable group of residents that is important for businesses.

As we've covered many times before, the impact — for the positive, despite the complaints of many in our area — that Penn State Harrisburg has on the community is a huge plus for us, and one that we should embrace. Editorial board member/columnists Susannah Gal outlines some of those points in her monthly column below.

Those students come from around the nation and the world to attend the biggest Penn State campus outside of State College. They become a part of our community, spend their money here, learn about life, and make memories that will last a lifetime. We still think there is a long way to go for both sides to take advantage of what each has to offer.

But it goes much deeper than that.

Our local school districts employs hundreds upon hundreds of people, not just teachers, but support staff. People are needed to clean schools, to drive buses, to serve food.

There are many thankless jobs to do, like the crossing guards who keep the kids safe but rarely get recognition. We recognize in a story elsewhere in the paper today one such longtime crossing guard, Harry Hicks, who did his job for 20 years before wrapping up after last school year.

Our young people are learning in the classroom in the Middletown Area and Lower Dauphin school districts. But the extracurriculars can't be ignored.

Yes, sports get the bulk of the attention, and when the sports team had a season like last year in the Middletown district, that attention is warranted.

But look at groups such as the band, that David Barr wrote about in last week's Press & Journal. Its members are out in the heat, going through their paces as well. The band members are learning about commitment, hard work and teamwork. There are plenty of other clubs, sports and student activities that are active as well.

All those students, be it Penn State or elementary school, have to get to class. So yes, you see more cars around the Penn State campus. You see more buses on the road.

Just remember what the end result is: a stronger community, with better-educated, hard-working residents.

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#### "They're back!!"

That's what we used to say when we lived in East Lansing, Michigan, and about 40,000 students would return to attend classes at Michigan State University in August. That was a lot more people driving on the streets, buying groceries in the store, browsing bookstores or sipping coffee in the cafés. This annual influx basically doubled the population of that town.

While it felt like a pain sometimes to go against so much extra traffic and extra people, it was also why many of us lived in that town. We benefited from jobs in East Lansing, directly or indirectly related to those students, faculty and staff associated with that large university. It also brought a welcome new energy to town, lots of new activities and events that we could take part in and enjoy. At that time, I was a postdoctoral researcher at the Plant Research Laboratory associated with the university and supported by the U.S. Department of Energy. This was a position for someone with their doctoral degree who wanted a bit more training in the field before starting their own research program. In my case, it was a transition between my research position at the Friedrich Miescher Institut (purposely without the e as it's the German word) in Basel, Switzerland and my first faculty position at Binghamton University, part of the State University of New York system.



A sign welcoming back students hangs on Main Street in Middletown.

SPECIAL TO THE PRESS & JOURNAL BY SUSANNAH GAI

in nearby Lansing, and we bought our first home. We certainly noticed the different numbers of people in line at our favorite bakery, Great Harvest, when the students came back.

I don't remember the transitions between when the students were there and when they were not when I lived for several years in East Lansing as a child. We moved there when I was about 5, and stayed until I turned 13, when we moved to Kalamazoo in the western part of the state in 1972. During my childhood, my father worked at the television station at Michigan State University as the producer of a regular news inquiry show, like "60 Minutes." My

new restaurants and hotels coming, more shopping spaces at some of the plazas, and a future new train station. The diversity of Penn State Harrisburg students is also amazing with the new arrivals coming from about 43 states and 40 countries.

As I wrote in a previous column, there is a lot going on at the campus which is open to the public. Here are a few of the upcoming events that should draw you onto our beautiful grounds.

On Sept. 12, we will play host to an Innovation Forum and networking event for how to fund a start-up company. There will be a panel of people who have funded start-up companies as well as people who have started companies using that type of support. This event is co-sponsored by my office, the Office of Research and Outreach, along with the Center for Medical Innovation at the College of Medicine in Hershey. The forum is from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., and the networking event is from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Gallery Lounge in the Olmsted Building on campus. You can register for the event at https://www. eventbrite.com/e/innovation-forumand-innovation-cafe-funding-a-start-uptickets-36606817978. On Sept. 21, Dr. P. Karen Murphy will present about her work on "Quality Talk" from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Morrison Gallery at the library. Murphy is a professor of education at Penn State and will discuss a pilot study that showed students participating in Quality Talk

had significantly higher scores on individual high-level comprehension. This is a free workshop sponsored by Capital Reading Council, a local affiliate of Keystone State Reading Association, and the Literacy Education program of the School of Behavior Sciences and Education.

There are several events in October in the new theater in the Student Enrichment Center that opened just a year ago. On Oct. 4, you can experience the fiery music and dance of some of Spain's most well known artists in the "Passion of Flamenco" at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 26-28, you can watch the play by Arthur Miller, "Death of a Salesman" presented by the School of Humanities Theatre program. This classic profound work of the American theatre revolves around a failing salesman and his quest for the "American dream" through a series of tragic, soul-searching revelations.

Later in the fall, there will be two music events — a jazz concert on Thursday, Nov. 2 and the free Penn State Harrisburg School of Humanities Music Program Winter concerts, Nov. 30 and Dec. 1. Tickets for the Flamenco dancers, play and jazz concert go on sale on Tuesday, Sept. 5. The cost to park on campus for those without permits is only \$1 a day. This is only a short list of things going on that are open to the public, so watch for other events in the newspaper or at the campus' calendar. Penn State Harrisburg is a state university after all and your tax dollars are contributing in part to the great things going on campus. Come take part in those activities to get your money's worth.

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Sen. Mike Folmer: Senate Box 203048, Harrisburg, PA 17120-3048. Room: 337 Main Capitol. 717-787-5708 or 877-222-1897.

#### **Middletown Borough**

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My time in East Lansing had a great many transitions for me and my family. I gave birth to our first daughter while there, my husband and I started contradancing regularly with a group

mother taught modern dance and acting to me and my sisters, and organized touring productions to local schools.

I'm sure my parents noticed the changes in the traffic and people on campus. The increase in energy and opportunities for events on campus was something we enjoyed a lot, both when we were children and when I lived there again almost 20 years later.

Middletown has some of that feel now with the more than 5,000 students on campus at Penn State Harrisburg where I work. The town of Middletown does feel the impact of that increase in students, faculty and staff as that number of new people is about 50 percent more than those of us here full-time.

While this increase in traffic and people can be seen as a bad thing, it's at least part of the reason we have several

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# READERVIEW Racism is racism: Too many recent comparisons don't make sense

The news cycle spins so fast that it's difficult to contemplate one event before the next one crowds out the latter from our minds.

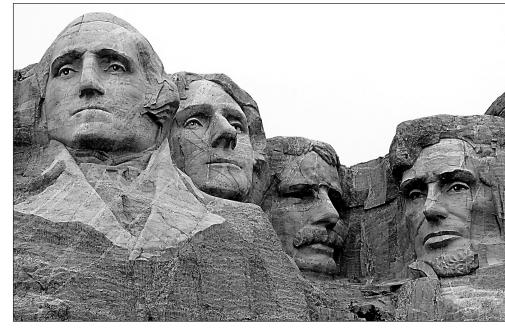
James Miller's piece in last week's Press & Journal — "Leftist violence vs. Trump-aligned groups worrisome' — was being printed when President Donald Trump doubled down on his racist remarks.

But to get caught up in the next news spectacular and not respond to both Mr. Miller and Trump would be to give both tacit approval.

In times like these, I am always reminded of something one of my professors said in class more than 50 years ago. Dr. Harry Hutton said, "Beliefs not formed through reason will not be changed through reason." For some, no amount of logic will enable such people to question their beliefs. Remember Trump saying, "I could stand in the middle of Fifth Avenue and shoot someone and I wouldn't lose votes?"

So, when Miller says, "Trump is right: Both sides are culpable...," he's both justifying Trump's remarks — wrong though they are — and shifting blame.

Mr. Miller, Trump is not right. Both sides are not culpable.



George Washington and Thomas Jefferson, along with Teddy Roosevelt and Abraham Lincoln on Mount Rushmore, were men of the Age of Enlightenment who worked on declaring our freedom from England and writing the Constitution. They shouldn't be compared with Robert E. Lee or Stonewall Jackson, says letter writer Richard Ammon.

But that kind of twisted thinking reminds me of a school playground incident where the teacher reprimands a child for throwing stones, and the child says — take your pick — "but he was throwing sticks," or "making faces," or my all-time favorite, "he was looking at me!"

It's childish and a sign of not very deep thinking to equate, as Trump did, George Washington and Thomas Jefferson with Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson. Washington and Jefferson were men of the Age of Enlightenment who worked on declaring our freedom from England and writing the Constitution.

The slavery issue was present at those important continental meetings, but in the name of unity at that time, the topic of slavery was kicked down the road for Abraham Lincoln to tackle.

And make no mistake. Lee, Jackson and all Confederates were guilty of treason. Because Lincoln was more focused in healing the nation, he decided not to pursue the justice due these traitors.

I even heard an alt-Right argument that purported that if statues of Robert E. Lee must be removed, then Muslim mosques should be removed, too. Sorry, folks. This is a non-sequitur; the analogy does not work. Robert E. Lee is a symbol of racism. Moreover, many of the Confederate statues (save those on historic sites) were erected during the Jim Crow era — a time when racial segregation was promoted. Mosques are

holy meeting places for people practicing freedom of religion, a cornerstone of our Constitution.

And please, people should not show their ignorance by equating Black Lives Matter with the events in Charlottesville. That insipid claim does not deserve an explanation because these situations are mutually exclusive; that is, they're not in the slightest way related to one another.

Let's make one more thing very clear: Trump said that there were "very fine people" on both sides. This is not true. The protestors were neo-Nazis and White Supremacists. Both are hate groups. Yes, antifa (which stand for anti-Facist) groups were in Charlottesville, but as Miller said, "Ideas are like viruses. They need hosts to survive." If the Neo-Nazis and White Supremacists cease and desist, so will antifa.

Miller went on to say, "If white supremacy is anti-American, so is the antifa insistence that believers in racial superiority not be given the right to freedom of assembly." No one is denying anyone freedom of speech and assembly. But freedom of speech and

## **RACISM:** Spewing hate is wrong

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assembly cuts both ways. People have the right to answer these jerks.

How did White Supremacy come about? Slavery has a long history. Simply read the Bible and you will find frequent references to slavery. Mostly, slaves were spoils of war. You lost the war, now you're my slave. But there was not the attitude that the slave was a less-than-human person. Unlucky, but not inferior. In fact, in Roman times it was customary to celebrate Saturnalia (the shortest day of the year) by having the slaves and slave owner switching places! They had so much fun doing that that early Christians decided no one would notice if they celebrated a Christ Mass (Christmas) down in the catacombs of Rome. Hence, Christmas became celebrated in December. (Christ was actually born in the spring.)

But American slavery was different. Southern slave owners were Christians. Owning slaves caused the slave owners great cognitive dissonance. How could a devout Christian keep slaves? A ha! If the slaves were less than human, and the slave owners were benevolent in taking care of these poor ignorant people, well, then, that's just fine under the eyes of the Lord.

This mental game worked well until the Emancipation Proclamation. Now, the former slaves were free, but the attitudes of less-than-human persisted. Moreover, the former slaves (unlike in Roman times) were easy to identify. These "less-than-human" people were a different race, hence racism.

Neo-Nazis form another hate group. These people morphed from Hitler. In the 1930s, Germany was crippled by the Treaty of Versailles, which ended World War I, and by the worldwide Depression. Hitler needed scapegoats — people to blame for all this misfortune. Mr. Miller seems to be suggesting that we should all play nice. Sorry, this is not a Left vs. Right argument. This is not a conservative vs. liberal deliberation. This is not even a Republican vs. Democratic debate. Racism and anti-Semitism have no place in America.

So, Hitler invented this master race concept where he could spew hate upon anyone who was not Aryan — white and German. He saw the Jews and so, so many others as lessthan-human compared to his master race.

Neo-Nazis were in Charlottesville masquerading as Hitler Nazis by carrying torches, Swastika flags and shouting anti-Semitic slogans.

Mr. Miller seems to be suggesting that we should all play nice. Sorry, this is not a Left vs. Right argument. This is not a conservative vs. liberal deliberation. This is not even a Republican vs. Democratic debate. Racism and anti-Semitism have no place in America. Yes, hate groups have the right to say what they want. The rest of us have the obligation to speak out and stand up against every last one of these warpedminded people as thousands did in Boston this past weekend. No, we won't change their minds (see above) but we can make clear that the hate they spew is not all right.

You can read all about American Hate Groups by going to the website of the Southern Poverty Law Center (www:splcenter.org). The SPLC tracks all American Hate Groups.

> Richard Ammon Middletown

# **Chronic diseases, skyrocketing costs**



About 12 percent of Americans suffer from five or more chronic conditions, such as high blood pressure, heart disease and diabetes. They account for 41 percent of total health care spending.

If we don't do more to prevent people from acquiring chronic disease, the resulting health care bills could blow a gaping hole in the federal budget. A new study conducted by RAND Health and supported by my organization, the Partnership to Fight Chronic Disease, shows just how costly it is to treat the severely ill.

In 2014, 32 percent of those with five or more chronic conditions visited an emergency department at least once. ER visits cost over \$1,200 on average. The sickest patients also require more prescriptions. In 2014, patients with five or more chronic conditions filled nearly six times the number of prescriptions as people with one or two chronic diseases.

Chronic disease prevents people from living independently. More than half of those with five or more chronic conditions report having physical limitations that affect their daily lives.

As a result, patients have to cut back on work or ask someone to help them. More than 34 million Americans provide unpaid care to adults who are older than 50. This leads to a loss in worker productivity that could cost society \$794 billion by 2030.

If we hope to save lives and avoid such staggering costs, we must undertake key reforms to help patients manage and prevent chronic diseases.

First, policymakers need to work together to ensure that care is affordable and accessible. A third of privately insured Americans recently reported receiving a "surprise" medical bill, one in which their health insurance plan paid less than what they expected. And many insurers have started dropping certain prescriptions from their coverage, leaving patients to either try a new drug or to pay for their current drug out-of-pocket. When patients can't access the

and health care costs rise. Improving medication adherence alone could save America more than \$105 billion a year.

Second, we ought to expand programs proven to prevent chronic diseases. For instance, the Diabetes Prevention Program, which is offered by private insurers, helps patients at risk of developing diabetes improve their diet and exercise more. The program has worked tremendously well — patients ages 60 or older who made lifestyle changes through the program reduced their risk of developing diabetes by 71 percent. Medicare will cover it for those at risk and age 65 and older starting in 2018, but if Medicare offered the program

could save \$7 billion more.

Altogether, increasing access to health care and promoting behavioral changes could save society \$116 billion a year.

Finally, America needs to encourage the development of new treatments and medicines. In 2016, there were 93 medicines in development for Alzheimer's disease, more than 170 for diabetes, and more than 130 for mental illnesses. Fostering the development of medicines and treatments that target chronic disease would save millions of lives and save \$418 billion a year.

If trends continue, chronic diseases will claim millions of American lives and cost us trillions of dollars. To lower that toll, we need to promote prevention efforts and improve access to recommended care for those who are already diagnosed.

Kenneth E. Thorpe is a professor of health policy at Emory University and the chairman of the Partnership to Fight Chronic Disease.

# Now is the time to save the world from nuclear war



We have been living with nuclear weapons for 72 years, so that must make them safe and sustainable, right?

Wrong.

Nuclear weapons are the only way we have of killing most humans on Earth in the space of a few hours — far more immediately than global climate chaos, which is itself a dire threat. Indeed, reliable astro-scientists assure us that they predict no giant meteor collisions or anything else that can wreck life on Earth for at least millennia, except the ultimate self-inflicted nuclear apocalypse. Most of humankind understands this. Most of humankind is not defended in any conceivable fashion by the godawful weapons in the arsenals of just nine of the 200 nations on Earth.

That is why we are witnessing a political showdown between the overwhelming majority of the planet's countries and the nine nuclear powers.

Oh, you hadn't heard about this conflict? That is hardly surprising in our strange media and political atmosphere of random bellicose presidential tweets, votes on whether to slash health care for our most vulnerable citizens, and narcissistic speeches to bewildered Boy Scouts. Not to mention the deranged cockfight environment we are witnessing inside the inner circle in the most dysfunctional White House in U.S. history.

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Far more meaningful in the long arc of human history and in our hopes for future generations is the recently passed treaty to ban all nuclear weapons on Earth. There have been sidelong, kick-the-warhead-down-thetimeline attempts before, but now comes a full frontal legal and worldwide political assault on nukes.

And we have seen successful treaties to outlaw both biological weapons (1972) and chemical weapons (1992), neither of which have ever been capable of the immediate and long term threat to life locked and loaded in the arsenals of just nine nations. Naturally, it is The World vs.

Naturally, it is The World vs. Nuclear Weapons Nation-states, plus a few nations who don't have nukes but whose economic and political arms have been twisted, primarily by the U.S.

The 72 years since the atomic annihilation of Hiroshima and Nagasaki is nothing more than a quick eyeblink in the long span of human history and prehistory. Nukes are a single incident away from wrecking your life, your great-grandchildren's lives, and those of everyone else. They are now officially criminal and have always been evil.

Now is an opportune time to let your elected officials know that we stand with the vast majority of people on Earth. It's time. Sign that treaty and get it ratified. Save the world, literally.

*Dr. Tom H. Hastings is PeaceVoice director.* 

# PUZZLES AND HOROSCOPE

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#### HOROSCOPE | WEEK OF AUG. 23

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**CAPRICORN** DEC. 22 – JAN. 19 Relax, Capricorn. The project is not doomed as initially thought. In fact, someone is working behind the scenes to get it back on track.

**AQUARIUS** JAN. 20– FEB. 18 You're all fired up. Is your family, Aquarius? If not, you might want to find a way to motivate them. You are going to need the enthusiasm of everyone to finish.

**PISCES** FEB. 19 – MARCH 20 Humility is much to be admired, Pisces. Show a little and set an example for a youngster. A mission is completed with finesse. Celebrate! ARIES MARCH 21 – APRIL 19 Solitude is hard to come by these days. You may, in fact, have to steal a few moments to yourself, Aries. It will prove to be the only way to recharge. TAURUS APRIL 20 – MAY 20 Talk of food gets your mind whirling and your kitchen humming. Forget the cook-

books, Taurus, and rely on your

experience instead. **GEMINI** MAY 21 – JUNE 21 You have a generous spirit, Gemini, and it will bring many into the fold this week. Give what you can, and others will do the same. A puzzle is solved. CANCER JUNE 22 - JULY 22ExhaStand down, Cancer. It is notandyour fight to fight. Plans to getLeaveaway get off to a rocky startneedebut rebound quickly with thetreahelp of a mentor.officeLEO JULY 23 - AUG. 22SCC

A senior longs for what they cannot have. Don't give in, Leo. Their health is at stake. A friend's meanderings leads them onto a new hobby. **VIRGO** AUG. 23 – SEPT. 22 Yet again, a loved one chooses to be petty. Overlook it, Virgo. They will be forced to come to

their senses soon enough. A

LIBRA SEPT. 23 - OCT. 22

memo is questioned.

Exhaustion sets in at home, and the paperwork piles up. Leave it be, Libra. What you need is a week to rest. A sweet treat boosts morale at the office.

**SCORPIO** OCT. 23 – Nov. 21 Money matters move front and center. Seek the help of a pro to determine what to do next, Scorpio. A debate gets heated at work. Steer clear of it.

#### SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22 – DEC. 21 No more stalling, Sagittarius. Gather the team for a strategic discussion. There is no time to waste. A friend moves mountains to help others.

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# OUT & ABOUT



Players take a knee before Saturday's scrimmage vs. Hershey gets underway.

# GAME ON!

Blue Raiders take the field in their first scrimmage





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Above and below left, Middletown defenders swarm to the ball.

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A Hershey defender plays tight on a Middletown pass attempt.



Antonio Gamble and Gage Radabaugh shut down the Hershey quarterback.

PHOTOS SPECIAL TO THE PRESS & JOURNAL BY DONALD GRAHAM Tyreer Mills makes a cut.

Devin Martin looks for running room.