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high school student. This award has been in existence for 43 years. The award is in memory of James J. McCullough, former mayor of Forty Fort in 1973 and a member of the Forty Fort Lions Club. This year the award was presented to Valley West graduate Gabriel Gillespie. Gabriel is planning on attending King's College.

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### **Upcoming Plymouth Events**

#### **August**

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4th Shawnee Cemetery Succulent Tea Party Plymouth American Legion 2 PM – 6 PM Call 570-406-1238 for tickets.

5th Public Plymouth Downtown Revitalization Meeting 7 PM WWV High School Auditorium

6th Plymouth Neighborhood Watch National Night Out 6 PM at the Monuments on Main Street

9th & 10th Plymouth Alive Kielbasa Fest

13th Plymouth Borough Council Meeting 6 PM at the Borough Building

24th Chalk Fest more details to come. Call or visit the Plymouth Library for information.

#### **September**

5th Through 8th the Wall That Heals comes to Plymouth Wyoming Valley West High School

If you use Facebook you can find more information on these and other events in Plymouth by joining Plymouth Suggestion Box.

## **Upcoming Wyoming Borough Recreation Community Event**

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Proceeds benefit the preservation and restoration of the Historic Shawnee Cemetery. For tickets and reservations contact Maribeth at 570-406-1238.



## Big Brothers Big Sisters honors board members



Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge recently recognized several members of its advisory board for their longtime service to the program. Shown, from left: Mary Theresa-Malandro,

diocesan secretary for Catholic Human Services and chief executive officer of Catholic Social Services of The Diocese of Scranton, Nicholas J. Michalisin Jr., 10 years; Mary Kate Henry, five years; Jim Kerns, 10 years; Eric Mahler, president of the advisory board, 2016-2019; Carolyn Oshinski, five years, Jenna Sargent Thorn, program manager, Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge; Jim Roberts, newly appointed president of the advisory board, Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge. Absent from photo: Guerline L. Laureore, five years; Bill Yeager, 15 years. Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge is a program of Catholic Social Services of The Diocese of Scranton. For more information, call (570) 824-8756 or visit [www.bbbsnepa.org](http://www.bbbsnepa.org)

## Misericordia University to hold open house for high school students and parents on Aug. 17

Misericordia University is holding an open house program for high school students and their parents on Saturday, Aug. 17. The program offers a tour of the more than 124-acre campus, meetings with Misericordia students, faculty and coaches, as well as information sessions with admissions and financial aid counselors.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. in the Anderson Sports and Health Center. A special "Meet the Coaches" session will be available from 9-10 a.m. The open house program runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The schedule includes campus tours, a faculty session and lunch, and meetings with representatives of student services, athletics and financial aid. An informational session also will be available about the Alternative Learner's Project for students with learning disabilities.

Misericordia will offer an **"Instant Decision Session"** from 9-10 a.m. for high school seniors who are interested in admission beginning with the fall semester that begins in August. To be considered, students must have already submitted an application and need to bring official, sealed transcripts and test scores if they have not already provided them. The "Instant Decision Session" does not apply to high school juniors or occupational therapy, physical therapy and speech-language pathology applicants.

Misericordia University offers a liberal arts curriculum with academic programs leading to bachelor, master and doctoral degrees. The university has more than 2,600 undergraduate and graduate students in full- and part-time academic programs. The university recently introduced an entry-level occupational therapy doctoral program beginning with the 2019 fall semester. Misericordia's newest doctoral program in the health sciences allows students to complete both a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Science and a Doctorate in Occupational Therapy in a little more than six years. Students who begin their studies with the fall 2019 semester will also have the option of a five-year master's degree leading to professional licensure. The university also recently added three academic programs in support of the nation's growing health care industry. The Medical and Health Humanities program is for students who are interested in the humanities fields, as well as health care and medicine. Misericordia features the region's only entry-level Bachelor of Science degree in Diagnostic Medical Sonography and the Bachelor of Health Science with a Specialization in Patient Navigation degree leads to careers in the emergent fields of patient advocacy, health education, wellness and community health.

In addition, a new statistics major is available in the College of Arts and Sciences, featuring specialized courses in mathematics, computer science and statistics designed to lead students to a variety of career choices in business, government or graduate school. During the open house program, prospective students also will have an opportunity to tour numerous buildings, including the 40,000-square-foot John J. Passan Hall. Passan Hall houses state-of-the-art simulator laboratories and classrooms in the nursing, occupational therapy, physical therapy and speech-language pathology programs of the College of Health Sciences and Education. The tours will also offer a look at athletic facilities, including Tambur Field, the home to Cougars Baseball, and John and Mary Metz Field House, adjacent to Manglesdorf Field. Misericordia University is an NCAA Division III school and participates in the MAC Freedom Conference.

The Athletics Department recently announced esports as a coed varsity activity beginning with the fall semester. Esports involves teams competing head-to-head in multi-player games online through gaming broadcasters. Misericordia will be the seventh team in the MAC to offer esports and brings MU's varsity offerings to 26.

For more information about open house or to register, please contact the Misericordia University Admissions Office at (570) 675-4449 or 1-866-262-6363, or by e-mail at [admiss@misericordia.edu](mailto:admiss@misericordia.edu). Students can also visit Misericordia University online at [www.admissions.misericordia.edu/openhouse](http://www.admissions.misericordia.edu/openhouse).

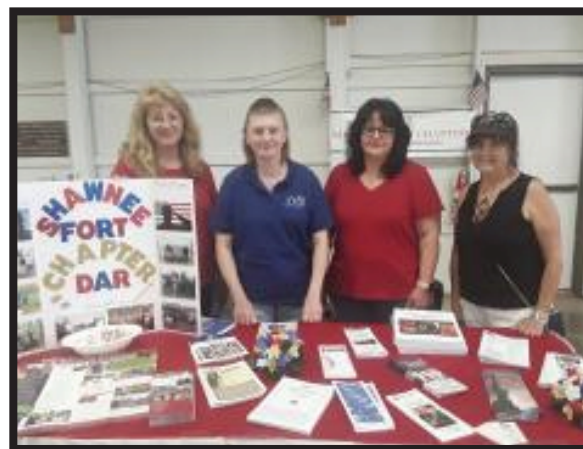
## Plymouth Borough



During the June 11, 2019 Council Meeting, Mr. Frank Coughlin, President of Borough Council, along with the rest of Council, awarded Mr. Brian Lyons a Certificate of Appreciation for his outstanding services to Elm Hose Company #3. Standing row from the left to right: Mr. John Thomas, President Pro Tem, Alexis Eroh, Council Woman, Mr. Clyde Peters, Councilman, Mr. Earl Cunningham, Councilman, Ms. Donna Manglaviti, Council Woman. Sitting from left to right: Mr. William Dixon, Vice President of Council, Mr. Brian Oppelt, Fire Chief, Elm Hose Company No. 3, Mr. Frank Coughlin, President of Council.

**Mr. Lyons, thank you for your outstanding citizenship to our community!!**

## ShawneeFort Chapter DAR



Shawnee Fort Chapter DAR members recently participated in Patriots Cove's Pickin' for Patriots Bluegrass Music Festival held at the Luzerne County Fairgrounds. Members enjoyed meeting prospective members and educating the public about the programs and causes we support in the community. Proceeds from the festival benefited Patriots Cove which provides programs and retreats for wounded

veterans, first responders, and their caregivers.

If you would like information on joining the Daughters of the American Revolution, please visit our Facebook page or contact Chapter Registrar, Kathleen Smith at 570-704-9809.

**L-R: Ronalee Schall, Chapter Secretary; Kathleen Smith Registrar, Sue Borum and Karen Komorek Chapter Regent**



## EXCITING News !

**VFW Post 283 Kingston will be celebrating 100 Years of service on December 19, 2019.**



**There will be a celebration gathering on September 7 and is open to all regular, auxiliary, and social members as thanks for their support over the years.**



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### **Big Brothers Big Sisters awards Michael J. Costanza Memorial Scholarship**



Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge recently awarded one of its Michael J. Costanza Memorial Scholarships to Ashley Weinberg. Weinberg, a Big Sister volunteer, received \$1,000, which she will use towards her education at Bloomsburg University. Weinberg is entering her junior year and is majoring in early childhood education and minoring in special education. Costanza had served as president of the advisory board at Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge, as well as chairman of Bowl for Kids' Sake, and was also a dedicated Big Brother himself and had a life-long interest in helping children.

Shown, from left: Mary Theresa Malandro, diocesan secretary for Catholic Human Services and chief executive officer of Catholic Social Services of The Diocese of Scranton; Eric Mahler, advisory board, Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge; Ann Smith, advisory board, Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge; Jerry Lisman, director emeritus, Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge; Jazelle, Weinberg's Little Sister; Ashley Weinberg, Jenna Sargent Thorn, program manager, Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge; Amanda Sivco, program supervisor, Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge; Jim Roberts, president of the advisory board, Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge is a program of Catholic Social Services of The Diocese of Scranton. For more information, call (570) 824-8756 or visit [www.bbbsnepa.org](http://www.bbbsnepa.org)



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**Parent Behavior at Children's Sports Events**  
*By Jill Evans Kryston, Etiquette Consultant – Westside Bulletin, August 2019*



**Q:** Fall sports season is around the corner so I'm asking if you can help settle an on-going dispute between my husband and me about parent behavior at sports events? He sees nothing wrong with yelling directives at our children from the sidelines and I think he's embarrassing them while interfering with the coaches.

**A:** As a parent of three athletes, I've had personal experience with becoming overly zealous at sports events. While we all want to see our children do their best, there is an invisible fence between good and bad sports etiquette.

Parents have a responsibility to act mature, be professional, and set a good example for their children. Feeling frustrated over a call is normal, however, yelling insults and obscenities crosses the line of acceptable spectator behavior and never helps anyone. Many coaches are volunteers who give their time to our children. Try to give them the benefit of the doubt when you think they're being unfair.

Enthusiastic cheering is a positive way to let our children know we are rooting for their team. Nevertheless, it's very easy to develop tunnel-vision and focus only on our own child. Emotions tend to run high at games, but parents who scream from the sidelines end up disrupting the players as well as those sitting around them. Also, singling out your child by shouting orders can confuse and embarrass them. Keep in mind the coach may have issued different instructions from yours on a play.

Children need to know we are proud of them. Praise during practice will build their confidence when it's time to play the actual game. Games are the perfect opportunity to demonstrate compassion and grace by congratulating your child for playing a good game even when they lost.

We all like to win, but it is important to remember, a game is just a game - win or lose, it's meant to be fun for everyone. We encourage our children to give it their best, and as parents and spectators, we need to do the same by practicing good sports etiquette.

*Email your etiquette questions to Jill at: [jvkryston@comcast.net](mailto:jvkryston@comcast.net). Defining Manners School of Protocol offers certified social and business etiquette courses. For more information call 570-696-3209.*

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**National Senior Citizens Day**

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## Plymouth Active Adult Center

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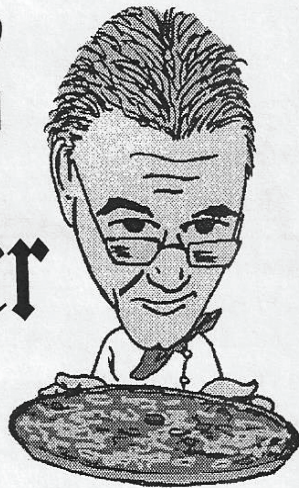
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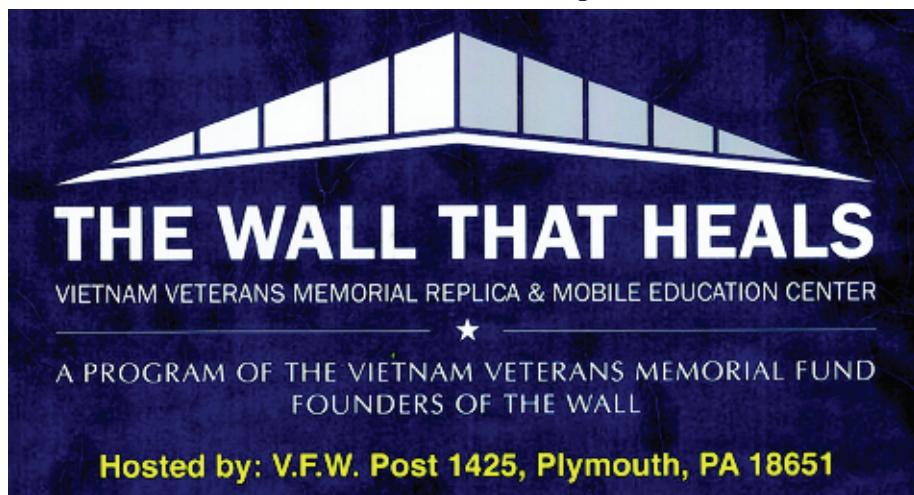
**Walk/Run Committee Photo from left to right:**  
**Back Row:** Tom Foley, FSA NEPA; Tom O'Neill, Community Volunteer; Bob Silvi, Community Volunteer; Justin Brown, FSA 5K Co-Chair; Meghan Flanagan, Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Commerce; Ben Eaton, 5K Chair, Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Commerce; Ahmad Ali, Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Commerce  
**Front Row:** Sandy Orlando, FSA Board Member; Audrey Brozena, Community Volunteer; Theresa Langan, FSA NEPA; Amber Loomis, FSA NEPA



## The Wall That Heals coming to Plymouth

### Vietnam Memorial will stand at Wyoming Valley West High School from September 5 through September 8.

By ALAN K. STOUT  
Westside Bulletin Correspondent



For nearly four decades, countless Americans have made pilgrimages to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. The two-acre monument honors service members of the U.S. armed forces who fought in the Vietnam War, service members who died in service in Vietnam/South East Asia, and those service members who were unaccounted for during the war. The memorial consists of three parts: the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall, which is the best-known part of the memorial; The Three Soldiers; and the Vietnam Women's Memorial. It receives about three million visitors each year.

The Memorial Wall features more than 58,000 names of members of the American armed forces who were killed in Vietnam. And from September 5 through September 8. The Wall That Heals, a traveling replica of the Memorial Wall, will be on display in Plymouth. It is being brought to the community by V.F.W. Post 1425 in Plymouth and it will be on display on the grounds of Wyoming Valley West High School. Clyde Peters, the manager of V.F.W. Post 1425, says that though a similar traveling memorial wall came to Swoyersville two years ago, the new "The Wall That Heals" is much larger.

"That was 250 feet long, whereas this one is 375 feet long," says Peters. "At the peak, in the center, it's seven and a half feet high. It's huge. It's beautiful."



Because of its height, visitors experience the The Wall That Heals rising above them as they walk towards the apex, which is a key feature of The Memorial Wall in Washington. The Wall That Heals is also erected in a chevron shape and visitors can do name rubbings of individual service member's names on The Wall. The exhibit also features a mobile education center which features a photographic display of hometown heroes, a map of Vietnam and other pieces of information and items from the Vietnam War.

Peters, who has managed V.F.W. Post 1425 for 16 years, received two Purple Hearts for his service in Vietnam. He has also battled cancer twice, which has been attributed to Agent Orange. He has visited the actual Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington and he was there when President Ronald Reagan dedicated the nearby monument of The Three Soldiers. Peters spearheaded the efforts to bring The Wall That Heals to Plymouth.

"There are more than 100 applicants each year and only 34 towns are chosen," he says. "To get it, you have to be very lucky or be a very good talker. I told them my story, and our story, and I told them every thing that was true. I told them that we were just a small community of less than 6,000 people, and that we lost seven young men in Vietnam, just from this town. One was my nephew, David Lee. He was 18 years old. He was a medic. He stepped on a booby-trap and was killed. That's one of the reasons I wanted to bring it here. But the main reason was to honor all of our Vietnam veterans, and any veteran that served our country. It doesn't have to be Vietnam. A veteran is a veteran."

Peters, who helped escort the body of his nephew back from Vietnam, says he first got the news that The Wall That Heals was coming to Plymouth back in December. His first emotion was one of gratitude.

"The first thing I did was thank the Good Lord," he says. "It meant a lot to me and it meant a lot to our community. I know a lot of people don't want to talk about the war, and I know what our Vietnam vets went through, and I know what I went through coming back. In many ways, we weren't treated the best. Even the VA system didn't treat us very well. We were called murders and baby killers. I remember thinking, 'Wait a minute ... I'm a part of your team. Why are you talking about me like that? I did my job. I was told to go there and I did, for my country.' But, just like a lot of stuff today, it was all politics. So what do you do? You turn the other cheek and you move on."

Eventually, Peters said he saw a great shift in attitudes toward Vietnam veterans, especially after the United States went to war in the Middle East in the early '90s and mid-2000s.



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**(The Wall that Heals continued from page 12)**

“As the nation healed over the years, and we had Operation Desert Storm and Operation Iraqi Freedom, people pulled together,” he says. “Even if you hate the war, don’t hate the soldier. If you hate the war – fine – but don’t hate the warrior. It’s their job.”

Peters says a supportive planning committee was formed to help bring The Wall to Plymouth. Their efforts received full cooperation from the borough and the Wyoming Valley West School District. It will be escorted into town by a long motorcade featuring local emergency vehicles and motorcyclists.

“It’s not just for Plymouth,” says Peters. “It’s for the whole county. And really, it’s not just for our county, but the state of Pennsylvania. We want to share our honor with everyone, and our disappointment, and hurt. It’s a healing process. And it’s not just for veterans to heal. It’s for all of us to heal. Chill out. Do the right thing. Teach our children that war is not the best thing – we all know that – but don’t dishonor the warrior. His job is to do what he’s needed to do. This is to honor people who gave their lives, many of whom were only 18, 19 or 20 years old.

“I was there in ’68 at the height of the war,” he adds. “The Tet Offensive was still going on. We had 580,000 troops over there. And there were a lot of other nations involved, trying to stop communism. We’ve come a long way to make things right.”

Thousands are expected to visit The Wall That Heals during its three-day stop in Plymouth. It will be open to guests 24 hours per day. Peters says that some Vietnam veterans often chose to come at night when the crowds are smaller.

“They want to talk to their buddies,” he says, his eyes welling with tears. “Every time I go there, my eyes well up.”

**For more information on The Wall That Heals, visit:  
[www.vvmf.org/The-Wall-That-Heals](http://www.vvmf.org/The-Wall-That-Heals)**

## Friends of the Hoyt Library Designer Purse Bingo

Yvonne Severns, president of the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Hoyt Library, invites the public to attend their second Designer Purse Bingo.

This premiere event will be held on Sunday, September 8 in Holy Family Parish Hall, 574 Bennett Street, Luzerne. Time will be 1 to 4 p.m. with doors opening at noon. Tickets are \$20.00 in advance from any Friends Board member, and \$25.00 at the door.

Proceeds from the Bingo will help the Friends fund programs and items need by the Hoyt Library to continue their commitment to the community. Holy Family Parish Hall is air-conditioned, handicapped accessible and there is ample parking. Please join the Friends that afternoon.



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Tues, Aug 20<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 – “Medication Safety” – Presented by the Medicine Shoppe

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Thurs, Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> – 11:30 – Nutrition Ed – “Foods That Increase Potassium?”

Mon, Aug 26<sup>th</sup> – 11:30 – Nutrition Ed – “Healthiest Types of Bread”

Wed, Aug 28<sup>th</sup> – WYOMING COUNTY ACTIVE AGING DAY – HELD AT THE WYOMING COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS – TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE TO MEMBERS– THERE WILL BE NUMEROUS VENDORS, LUNCH & ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED BY DON SHAPPELLE

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**Big Brothers Big Sisters presents Paul Smith Memorial Scholarship**



Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge recently presented its annual Paul Smith Memorial Scholarship to David Perez, a recent graduate of West Side Career and Technology Center. Perez received \$1,000, which will be applied to his education at William Paterson University, where he will study computer information technology. Shown, from left: Mary Theresa Malandro, diocesan secretary for Catholic Human Services and chief executive officer of Catholic Social Services of The Diocese of


Scranton; Eric Mahler, advisory board, Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge; Ann Smith, advisory board, Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge, MaryAnn Gonzalez, Perez's mother; David Perez, Tim Wing, Perez's Big Brother; Jenna SargentThorn, program manager, Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge, Jim Roberts, president of the advisory board, Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge. Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge is a program of Catholic Social Services and works in partnership with the United Way of Wyoming Valley.

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## Extended School Year at the Graham Academy

The Graham Academy offers a year-round learning experience for students living with Autism. A consistent educational, social and recreational routine is instrumental in the growth, development and progress of individuals living with Autism. An extended break or disruption in routine could result in loss of skills or regression; even the standard summer vacation could result in setbacks for many students. As one can imagine, “getting back into the swing of things” can take on a whole new meaning for many of these individuals. The simplest of skills that can be easily picked up by most students at the start of a new school year, can take weeks or even months to regain for an individual with Autism. With school in session for only 180 days, an ESY program allows students to go beyond that point to continue their education to maintain the skills they have learned.

Summer school, by definition, is different than ESY. ESY is an opportunity provided to individuals who have an Individualized Education Plan, or IEP, and is designed to support the maintenance of skills and education acquired to date. ESY is not required or necessary for every student with an IEP but having it as a viable option is critical. Determination for the recommendation for ESY is made by a students’ IEP Team. For the previously learned skills to be maintained, ESY is an important part of the special education system.

ESY at the Graham Academy is something the students look forward to every year. The Garden Program is in full swing and there is an abundant amount of activities and learning that takes place every week. The summer programming includes, a nature and bug curriculum for the elementary students, produce stand and job readiness skills for the upper elementary and middle school students, and transition skills with career clusters for the high school students. A great thing about ESY at the Graham Academy... freezer pops tend to ‘pop’ up on Thursday’s for good behavior during the week!

The fruits and vegetables harvested from the gardens allows for the students to manage the produce stand and showcase the “fruit of their labor”. Students have fun developing social skills, practicing math skills, and working as a team as they sell produce to the local community. As an added feature, the students provide patrons with a recipe to show how they can creatively use the produce purchased.

Learning takes place even while we are having fun. Marketing materials, created to advertise the garden, including sidewalk signs, are all made by students during their graphic arts elective. The graphics arts elective teaches students the basics of computer programming and exposes them to the fundamental aspects of marketing and design. Typing skills are practiced in the creation of recipes and pricing labels. Students also spend time researching common facts about the produce and add these facts to the recipe cards for the patrons. Everywhere you turn there is something to be learned at the Graham Academy.

The mission of the school is to educate students living with autism and students living with emotional challenges to excel in life through communication, exploration, opportunity, acceptance, accountability, and ambition. To see the students in full swing, come by the produce stand once it opens again after school is back in session. For daily updates, visit the Graham Academy on Facebook or go to

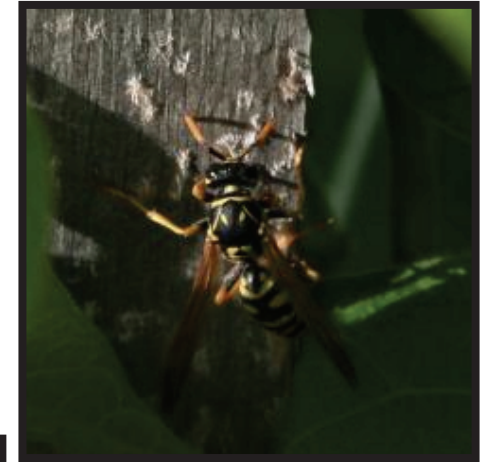
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Chris Wadas, Cross Country/Track and Field Head Coach at Misericordia University, and 2016 Olympic field hockey star Kelsey Kolojejchick of Larksville, lead a class of 15 which will be enshrined into the Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame at its annual induction dinner in August, according to Jim Martin, president of the John Louis Popple chapter.

The ceremony is set for Sunday, Aug. 11, at the Gus Genetti Conference Center in downtown Wilkes-Barre with a cocktail hour beginning at 4 p.m. and the dinner and induction at 5. Tickets are \$45 for adults and \$20 for children ages 3-12. Children 2 and under are free. Tickets can be obtained at the chapter's website, [luzernecountysportshalloffame.com](http://luzernecountysportshalloffame.com) or by check to Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame, 25 Frederick St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702, or contacting Carol Hurley at 570-824-7133.



Joining these two inductees are; Frank Majikes PIAA District 2 Chairman; Bob Barbieri, the first football coach in Pittston Area history; wrestling icon Brooke Yeager; former three-sport standout at Crestwood High School, Laura Whalen Slane; organizer of the first girls' little league softball program in Wyoming County, Christine Button Strumski; beloved Tunkhannock track and field coach, the late Jane Helman; and former Wyoming Area and Brown University football standout Joseph Karcutskie.

Also being inducted is Morgan Alaina Craft, of Sullivan County, a member of the 2016 U.S. Olympic Skeet Shooting team; Berwick High School athletic director and former quarterback great, Bo Orlando of Columbia County; Wyalusing State Champion wrestling Head Coach Walt Fisk of Bradford County; career minor league baseball player, the late Ed "Shovels" Kobesky; multisport athletes, Joy Gallagher and Charles Liott from Hazleton of Wagner College and Temple University fame.

The counties of Wyoming, Bradford, Sullivan and the northern part of Columbia are included in the Luzerne County Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame.

# Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge: Defending Potential

## Mentoring program in need of volunteers

By ALAN K. STOUT  
Westside Bulletin Correspondent



Big Brothers Big Sisters is a nationally recognized mentoring program which has been in existence for more than 100 years. In Northeastern Pennsylvania, under the name Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge, it has been in place since 1974. And, for the past 45 years, it has helped match thousands of children with caring adults that have tried to make a difference in their lives.



**Jenna Sargent Thorn is not only the program manager of Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge, but she is also a Big Sister volunteer.**

Those that work closely with the Big Brothers Big Sisters program, such as Jenna Sargent Thorn, program manager of Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge, say that its positive impact is undeniable and that Big Brother and Big Sister volunteers do indeed

change lives.

“Having a mentor gives our children the opportunity to engage with a community member who cares about them” says Thorn. “It’s someone who can help steer our kids in the right direction. It’s all about engagement and learning new things. There are a lot of opportunities for the children to do things that they wouldn’t normally get to do, to help expand their world, and to help them think bigger. With a Big Brother or Big Sister, they come to realize their potential.”

**Studies have shown that having a Big Brother or Big Sister can have an incredibly positive impact on a child.**

Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge is a program of Catholic Social Services of The Diocese of Scranton. It serves children from the ages of seven to 17. And according to studies, it works. Children with a Big Brother or Big Sister will do better in school. They will have higher self-esteem. They will be less likely to experiment with alcohol and drugs. And they will be more likely to go on to higher education. The program serves Luzerne, Wyoming, Monroe and Lycoming counties, all of which are in the Diocese of Scranton. There are currently 118 Big Brother/Big Sister matches in the program. There are also, however, more than 309 children on the waiting list, hoping to find a new Big Brother or Big Sister mentor. The waiting list, says Thorn, is the part of the job that frustrates her the most.

“It breaks my heart that there are kids out there whose families reach out for help, and they feel empowered to reach out, but we can’t offer them what they want,” she says. “It weighs very heavily on us. Sometimes, you think about how many children that is - more than 300 - and it would be like an entire auditorium full of kids. You think about the potential that’s in that room, and what that might develop into, if each of them were given the extra resource of having a mentor.”



One reason that some might be reluctant to become a Big Brother or Big Sister volunteer is because of the misconception that it’s very time-consuming. But volunteer mentors are asked to simply try to spend an hour or two per week with their Little. And, unlike other volunteer opportunities, the schedule is flexible. Whatever day and time works best for the volunteer is fine. All that matters is that the Big and Little spend some time together.



**Suzanne Kapral and her Little, Haley, have been matched for two years.** Kapral, who works at Hillside Farms in Shavertown, Luzerne County, says that Haley sometimes helps out doing light chores around the farm, which she feels gives her a sense of responsibility. Whatever they do, she says it’s always fun.

“We do all kinds of things together,” she says. “It’s everything from helping her with homework, to spending time at Hillside Farms, to fun kids things – manicures, pedicures – just being girls. It’s really just helped ground me in my own life.”

Like many other children, Kapral says that Harley was on the Big Brothers Big Sisters waiting list for about a year before being matched. She hopes more adults will consider becoming a part of the program.

“You don’t have to do this for 10 hours a week,” she says. “That’s not what it’s about. It’s about a time that works for you, within your schedule, and in the child’s schedule. Even if it’s only a few hours a month, it does make a world of difference for the child. And you don’t have to spend a lot of money. These kids are just looking for quality time. Often, it’s just someone who will listen to them, and maybe share some advice and life stories. In this incredible world of technology, we’re finding that kids just want some down-time and one-one-one time, where they can just be a kid and talk to their Big. That’s still something that children are seeking.”

**Thorn agrees.**

“The nice thing about our mentoring services is that our matches meet at mutually convenient times,” she says. “They’re not expected to be at their Little’s door step on a certain day at a certain time and remain on a rigid schedule. They can see their Little whenever it’s convenient for them and the family.”

Thorn speaks from experience. In addition to serving as program manager at Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge, she is also a Big Sister volunteer.

“It’s just a blast,” she says. “I think back to some of the things we’d done, like going to Knoebels, and it was so much fun. When she got older, and she got her first job, she sent me a picture of her first paycheck.”

In addition to helping facilitate matches, Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge also offers quality match support which allows volunteers to interact with a professional caseworker for advice and guidance. This relationship continues throughout the duration of the match.

“Speaking from being a Big Sister, match support was critical for me,” says Thorn. “Being able to bounce ideas off of a caseworker, when I wasn’t sure how to handle something, was really helpful. And, in turn, it’s made me realize that we really need to be available for the Bigs, to help coach them, during their time with their Littles. And our program does that. There is great professionalism involved in maintaining engagement with our matches.”

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Last year, the national office Big Brothers Big Sisters unveiled a new slogan: "Defending Potential." Thorn says that as soon as she heard it, she loved it, and that she hopes more people in Northeastern Pennsylvania will feel such a calling.

"It sounds heroic, yet without putting the expectations on volunteers that they need to be a hero," she says. "All they need to do is show up when they say they're going to, and by doing that, they create a shield, a defense and a barrier between the child and the adversities that they face.

"It says, 'Our children already have their potential. It's our job to defend it.' "

**For more information about Big Brothers Big Sisters of The Bridge, call (570) 824-8756 or visit [bbbsnepa.org](http://bbbsnepa.org)**

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY

### ADDRESSES PLYMOUTH KIWANIS



Representatives of the Plymouth Historical Society were dinner guests of the Plymouth Kiwanis Club recently, providing an overview of historical society activities and detailing future plans for the improvement and growth of the organization.

Historical Society President Steve Kondrad and board of director's members Mark Ruseskas and John Stevenson hosted an informational question and answer session following their presentation after which Plymouth Kiwanis President-Elect Richard Schall presented a donation to assist the historical society in its future endeavors.

Pictured, seated, from the left, are Plymouth Historical Society board member John Stevenson and Plymouth Kiwanis Treasurer Ray Motyka. Standing, from the left, are Plymouth Kiwanis Secretary John Gavenonis, and Kiwanis President-Elect Richard Schall presenting a donation to historical society President Steve Kondrad and board member Mark Ruseskas.

**The Plymouth Kiwanians annually provide financial support to help fund the activities of the local historical society.**

## Wyoming Area Catholic School

Mrs. Eileen Rishcoff, principal Wyoming Area Catholic School in Exeter is proud to announce the 4th Quarter Honor Roll for students in grades 6-8.

### Grade 8 – High Honors

Hayden Foland  
Kayla Kovaleski  
John Wayne Kravitz  
Lexie Marcinkowski  
Caitlyn Maslar  
Aiden Morgan  
Ava Newman  
Aiden O'Haire  
Aryan Tolani  
John Tondora

### Grade 8 – Honors

Dylan Casseteri  
Morgan Crake  
Claire Cunningham  
Lauren Granteed  
Isabel Grudzinski  
Owen Harris  
Grace Mangan  
Joyce Renfer  
Coltin Rosencrance  
Jayden Satkowski  
Paige Yastremski

### Grade 6 – High Honors

Ian Harris  
Lily Kasa  
Christian Renfer

### Grade 7 – High Honors

Liliauna Bubblo  
Benecio Carpentier  
Shane Cegelka  
Jaden Exter  
Kendall Hadley  
Talia Lasota  
Melanie Moran  
Valerie Werhun

### Grade 7 – Honors

Michael Casey  
Vincent Contardi  
Olivia Latoski  
Marissa Miller  
Kody Olejnik  
Stephen Renfer  
Alexis Romanowski

### Grade 6 – Honors

Samara Bellas  
Abigail Butler  
Brandon Cegelka  
Andrew Long  
Katherine Morgan  
Kendall Morris  
Allie Mozeleski  
Michael Oncay  
Michael Weiss

### Summer Skills Basketball Camp

Wyoming Area Catholic School is offering a Summer Skills Basketball Camp the week of July 29th through August 2. The camp is for students entering Grades 3-8 and it will run for one week, 5:30 PM to 9:00 PM. Registration Forms have been mailed to parents. The cost is only \$50.00 for the week. The camp will be conducted by Erin Weiss, Athletic Director for Wyoming Area Catholic School, Coaches Joe Simkulak and George Barilla along with other volunteers.

The camp is also opened to the public. If anyone is interested please call the school at 570-654-7982 or check our website: [www.wacsh.com](http://www.wacsh.com).

### Wyoming Area Catholic School: Full S.T.R.E.A.M. Ahead Camp

WHEN: August 5 to August 9

TIME: 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

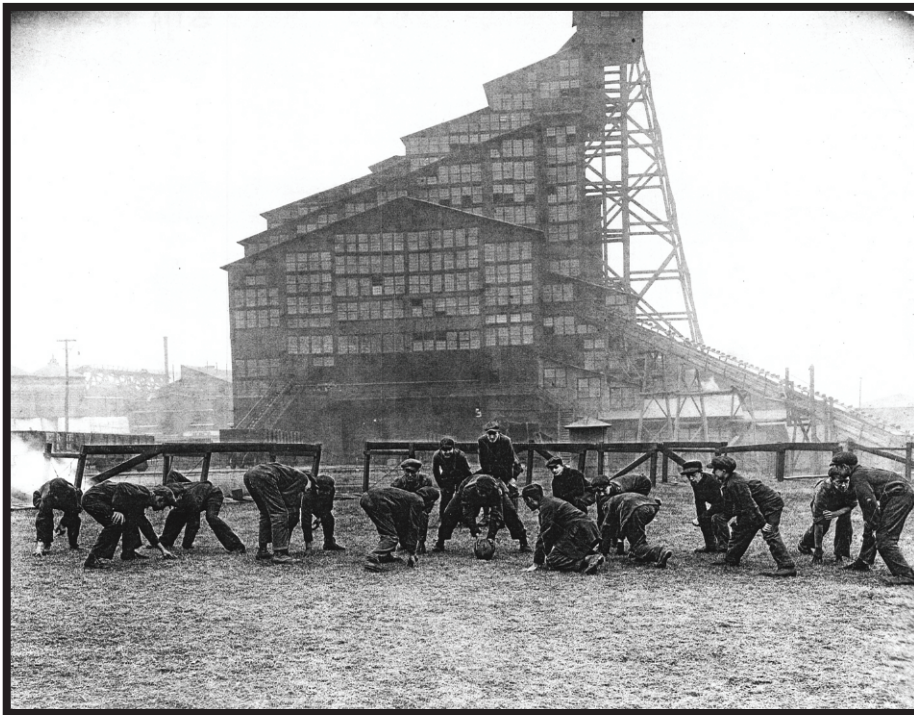
WHERE: Wyoming Area Catholic School

FOR: Students of Wyoming Area Catholic School

COST: \$75.00 for the week

Students will need to bring their own lunch for the camp. Registration forms have been mailed to the parents in the first summer mailing. For more information please call the school at 570-654-7982 or check our website at [www.wacsh.com](http://www.wacsh.com).

## Luzerne County Historical Society



August is the traditional end of summer. Back to School sales, heat waves, and the return of Football. High schools begin two-a-days (and sometimes three-a-days), NFL teams pack up and go to training camps and even the CL is in full swing. The Wyoming Valley has a rich gridiron history. Kirby Park hosted a number of one off exhibitions, including most famously the 1891 edition of the famous Leigh/Lafayette rivalry, which until 2014 was the only match-up between the two schools not held on campus (its still one of 2 meetings out of 154 held offsite).

The Wilkes-Barre then had a professional team in the Barons who joined Anthracite League in 1924. The squad lasted one winless season before folding, with their only claim to fame being a 34-0 loss to the Pottsville Maroons who the next year moved to the NFL and claimed a (disputed) share of the 1925 championship.

Schoolboys began playing by the end of the 19th century, and half a century later, by the 1950s, high school football had become a Friday night tradition, starting with the "Big 4" schools, and continuing to this day with the modern Wyoming Valley Conference. And with the birth of the new W-B Area Wolfpack and continued rumors of an arena football team returning in 2020, America's Game looks very promising in the area going forward.

The first photo is of a group of Breaker Boys playing in front of the #4 breaker in Kingston circa 1900. The second is a photo of the 1929 Thanksgiving Day game between Nanticoke High School and Plymouth High School. Both photos from the LCHS collection.



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## What Does Your New Retirement Look Like?

By Martin A. Federici, Jr., CEO of *MF Advisers, Inc.*  
& *MF Tax & Accounting, Inc.*

Retirement today is not the same as it was 30, 20, even 10 years ago. Because we're generally living longer nowadays (we might need to work on improving the quality of life in those later years), we need to make sure we've got enough money for living expenses (especially the ever-increasing medical expenses) and some fun. But retirement is NOT just about having enough money – it's about having the best quality of life possible (health and wealth). As a financial advisor and fiduciary, it's my goal to help clients not only retire with enough money but to make sure clients also continue to keep themselves physically and mentally challenged/stimulated.



For many retirees, I recommend not entirely leaving the workforce because of the many benefits it provides (social interaction, mental and/or physical sharpness, extra spending money, etc.). If you are planning on retiring but don't have a grand purpose that drives you to get out of bed in the morning, better plan on what you're going to do in retirement. Idleness is a recipe for disaster, and I've seen it unfortunately with some of my retirees (several who passed away far too soon) early on in my career.

Whether it's working part-time, travelling, taking care of properties, exercising, gardening, volunteering, getting a new hobby, reading, taking classes, etc., just make sure that you have a game plan before you're in retirement. It's just as important (if not more so) as planning to get to retirement. No sense in retiring if you're not going to live a long, healthy, productive life!

If you need help implementing your new retirement plan (perhaps you need the [right financial advisor](#)?), think of the activities that give you great joy and a sense of purpose. Write those activities down and visualize yourself engaging in those activities on a regular basis. You now know what both your current AND new retirement plan should each clearly look like...and you're welcome!

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## PATRIOTS COVE ANNOUNCES EVENTS TO BENEFIT VETERANS & FIRST RESPONDERS

**What:** Patriots Cove invites you to join us for our Ride For Patriots and Wheels for Patriots, a benefit including classic cars, trucks, and motorcycles. In the morning, Patriots will Ride in honor of veterans and first responders. Following the Ride, Patriots Cove will host Wheels for Patriots Car and Bike Show, as a chance for enthusiasts to put their motorcycles, classics, and customs on display! Winners will take home trophies and get braggin' rights. Whether you want to cruise, show, or enjoy food and raffles, join us for a great cause!

Patriots Cove would like to thank the following Sponsors for supporting our veteran, first responder, and caregiver communities: Quality Collision Inc., American Asphalt, Tony Domiano Auto Sales, Rider Insurance, Chevrolet Cadillac of Bloomsburg, Pro Hardware, Bryan Smith Snap-On and Davis Limo.

**Where and When:** Ride for Patriots and Wheels for Patriots will be held on August 10, 2019. Registration for the Ride starts at 9:00 a.m. at Mountain Top American Legion Post 781, 1550 Henry Drive Mountain Top, Pennsylvania. We will roll out of Mountain Top at 11:30 a.m., and end the Ride at Black Walnut American Legion Post 510 for a wonderful chicken bbq, music, refreshments, and raffles! All ride participants will be entered into the Car and Bike Show at Black Walnut American Legion.

Registration for the The Wheels for Patriots Car and Bike Show begins at 10:00 a.m. at the Black Walnut American Legion, Blackwalnut River Road, Laceyville, Pennsylvania. Cars and bikes should be in place by noon and judging begins at 3:00 p.m. (Cars have the option to participate in the ride in the morning or go straight to the car show.) The awards being offered this year are: Top 20, Top 5 Motorcycles, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Best in Show, Patriots Choice, and Most Unique. The Chicken BBQ dinner will include baked potatoes, coleslaw, baked beans, and dessert.

**Who and Why:** Come for the cause, ride, and for fellowship. Proceeds will be given to Patriots Cove. Patriots Cove is a non-profit organization in northeastern Pennsylvania that was founded by a military veteran and his spouse to empower other veterans, first responders, and their caregivers to heal and adapt to life after service. The Cove hosts events like restorative outdoor activities, environmental service projects, and educational events and retreats for Caregivers on an eighteen-acre refuge.

**Ticket Information:** Tickets for the Ride for Patriots are \$15 for drivers and \$15 for passengers. Admission to the Ride for Patriots, also includes Wheels for Patriots Car and Bike Show entry and the Chicken BBQ! Entry for the Wheels for Patriots Car and Bike Show is \$15 at the door and also includes the Chicken BBQ. We also welcome all walk-ins for our Chicken BBQ! Tickets to enjoy the Chicken BBQ dinner are \$10. Your tickets can be purchased at the gate the day of the event, or online at <https://www.patriotscove.org/ride-for-patriots>.

Call (570).855.8964 for more information [www.patriotscove.org](http://www.patriotscove.org)



**The Edwardsville Active Adult Center**  
**57 Russell Street 9:30-1:30**  
**Edwardsville, Pa. 18704**  
**(570)287-3381**

## AUGUST 2019

Daily Activities- Books, magazines, puzzles, shuffleboard, cards, coupon swap, Computer use, coloring, games, T.V. and WII, and SOCIALIZING!

Weekly Scheduled Activities-

Monday – 9:30am -11:45am Center Activities 12:30pm to 1:15pm SENIORCIZE  
Tuesday – 11:00-12:00 Center Activites Wednesday – 10:45 to 11:45am Singing Club (LOONY TUNES) 12:30 pm to 1:15 pm Shuffleboard  
Thursday – 10:00am-11:00am Crafts 11:00am- 12:00am Center Activities 12:30pm to 1:15pm Shuffleboard  
Friday- 10:45-1:15 Dominoes-Mexican Train  
\*\*\*\* All Weekly Activities may occur more often as time allows! \*\*\*\*

**CONDUCTORCISE---Daily!!!** Time will vary daily depending on events!  
**We are accepting new memberships. Membership to the center is a \$4.00 Donation. The Center is open Monday thru Friday, 9:30-1:30. Lunch is served daily at noon; reservations must be made the day ahead by 1:00. The meal is a \$2.00 donation for those 60 years of age and older, for those under 60, the cost of the meal is \$5.07. For additional information or questions, please call the center at 570-287-3381!**

## AUGUST 2019

August 5 (Monday) 11:00 FRAUD BINGO-- PA Department of Banking Securities  
August 8 (Thursday) 11:00 11:00 Blood Pressure Checks Sponsored by Lois Elick from PA Dept. of Health  
August 12 (Monday) 11:00 Cawley Physical Therapy & Rehab "SHOULDER/ROTATOR CUFF PAIN"  
August 13 (Tuesday) Center Closes at 11:15 \*Bag Lunch Day"  
August 14 (Wednesday) 12:30-- LOONEY TUNES PERFORMANCE  
THEME:"Travel, Camp and Vaca"  
August 20 (Tuesday) 11:00 Blood Pressure Checks & Talk Sponsored by Lois Elick from PA Dept. of Health  
August 21 (Wednesday)—BEACH PARTY DAY  
August 28 (Wednesday)— Wyoming County Active Aging Day "Please sign up, transportation will be provided if needed"



**Flag Day**



**Seniorcize**  
**Joanne**



**PSU**  
**Nutrition**  
**Kerai**



**Dance**



**Dance**



**Dinner Dance**

### Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



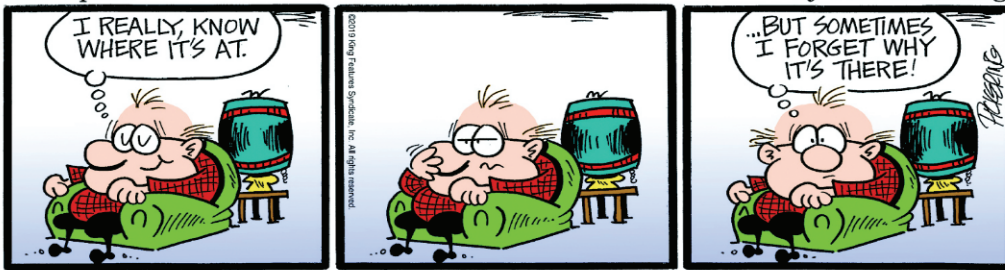
### R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



### The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



### Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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9	8		5	3				
	4	3		1		5		
7				3	8			
	6	7	8			1		
	8	9					2	
6	3			5		4		
		9	6				8	7
	4		2	6				

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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### HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

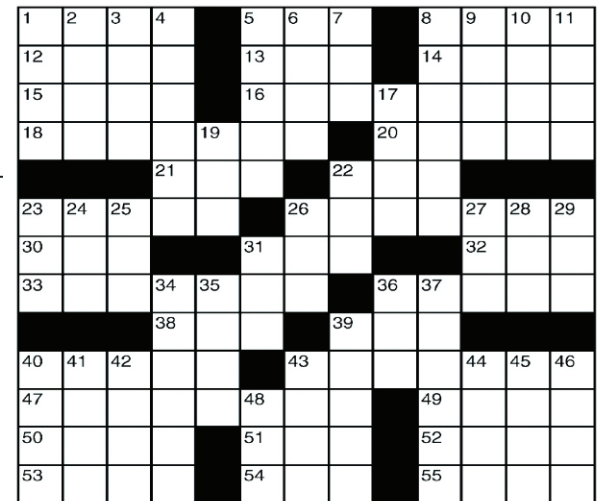
Differences: 1. Boy's hat is black. 2. Notice added to bulletin board. 3. Boy is holding a lollipop. 4. Officer has four stripes. 5. Officer has two buttons. 6. Desk sergeant's badge is missing.

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## King Crossword

### ACROSS

- Periodicals, for short
- Cistern
- Last writes
- Guitarist Clapton
- Brewery product
- Infamous Roman
- Genesis maker
- Fan of classical music
- Barbershop job
- Stir up
- Get on in years
- Lubricate
- Synagogue VIP
- Hew
- Swelled head
- Write in the margins
- Pod denizen
- On the — (secretly)
- Caulking material
- A billion years
- 2,000 pounds
- Angry dog's sound
- Sleazy sort
- Throughout your time
- Rewrite, maybe
- Satan's spe-



- Suitor
- Staircase posts
- Lounge around
- "Bam!"
- Except if
- Forum garb
- Singer
- Campbell
- Split apart
- "Think nothing —"
- Takeoff's opposite (Abbr.)
- Concept
- Some ever-greens
- Greek vowels
- Lummock

### DOWN

- Netting
- Vicinity
- Leslie Caron role
- Sacred beetle
- Price
- Greatly
- Roman X
- Waiting for the operator
- Eye part
- Ripped
- Sandlike matter
- Modern film trickery
- Chic no more
- Scarlet
- In earlier times
- Violinist's need
- Calf's mom
- Choose, with "for"
- Drenched
- Aye opponent
- "The Daily Show With — Stewart"

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3	9	9	6	2	1	7	4	7
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5	1	7	8	6	3	4	9	2
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4	8	1	4	9	2	6	3	5

Answer

### Weekly SUDOKU

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Solution time: 21 mins.

Answers

### King Crossword

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## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- GEOGRAPHY:** Which South American country is home to Machu Picchu, a 15th-century Incan citadel?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** Which East Coast city's nickname is "Charm City"?
- U.S. STATES:** What is the only U.S. state whose name is one syllable?
- HISTORY:** Which English monarch reigned from 1625 to 1649?
- MUSIC:** Which female singer had a No. 1 hit in the 1960s with the song "Downtown"?
- ASTRONOMY:** Which planet in our solar system is known as a morning and evening star?
- BIBLE:** How many plagues of Egypt were described in the book of Exodus?
- MOVIES:** How many different actors played roles in "The Three Stooges" over the years?
- LITERATURE:** Who wrote the 20th-century novel "So Big"?
- GAMES:** What color is the Connecticut property in the game "Monopoly"?

1. Peru; 2. Baltimore; 3. Maine; 4. Charles I; 5. Petula Clark; 6. Venus; 7. 10; 8. Six. Larry, Moe, Shemp, Curly, Joe and Curly Joe; 9. Edna Ferber; 10. Light blue

Trivia Test Answers

# AUGUST 9 & 10

Main Street • Route 11 • Plymouth, PA

## 16th Annual *plymouth alive* Kielbasa Fest

plymouth, pa



*live, laugh, love kielbasa*

### Susan Gryzic Main Stage (Municipal Parking Lot)

#### Friday Aug. 9, 2019

2:30-3:30 ..Ian & Nigel  
4:00-6:00 ..John Stevens Polka Band  
6:30-8:30 ..Flaxy Morgan  
9:00-11:00 ..40 LB Head

#### Saturday Aug. 10, 2019

10:00-1:00 ..Live Remote Gem 104  
*Featuring: Sharkey and the Big Kahuna*  
10:00-10:30 ..Parade Line up  
11:00 ..Parade-Theme: *The Wall That Heals*  
1:00 ..Kielbasa Competition  
(American Legion)  
1:30-3:30 ..Ed Goldberg and the  
Odessa Klezmer Polka Band  
4:00-6:00 ..OZ  
6:30-8:30 ..Infinity  
9:00-11:00 ..Nobody's Fool



### Wyoming Valley West Bandshell

#### Friday Aug. 9, 2019

4:00-6:00 ..Stanky and the Coalminers  
6:30-8:30 ..Wayside  
9:00-11:00 ..Liar Liar

#### Saturday Aug. 10, 2019

1:30-3:30 ..Shaky Ground  
4:00-6:00 ..Swing Masters Polka Band  
6:30-8:30 ..Chris London Band  
9:00-11:00 ..Tommy and the Original Tones

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