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Teachers and students missing the normal school routine

Teachers and students from pre-school to high school are missing each other and the daily routine of the school year.

The Covid-19 pandemic and the state's "stay at home" order may have temporarily closed the doors of schools, learning and day care centers but that does not mean the owners and staff of the businesses haven't stayed in contact with the children. The Crestwood Schools as well as St. Jude School and MMI have gone to online learning.

"We're staying in touch with our children and families through technology," said Mariangela Carannante who alone with her mother, Carla Calabrese operates Little Big Steps on North Mountain Boulevard. Staff of the day-care is using Zoom meetings, texts, phone calls and an app called ClassTag to stay in contact with the approximately 60 children enrolled at the daycare. The daycare has not charged families for this contact.

The facility provides day-care for children beginning at 6 weeks, pre-school and before and after school care for children up to age 12.

"The staff is reading books

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Bryce Radzwich, MMI Preparatory School Class of 2026, works on an assignment as part of the online learning program MMI established as a result of the school's closure due to the coronavirus pandemic.



St. Jude preschool teachers Eileen Barney and Patti Capaci visited Aiden Sweet to help him celebrate Easter social distancing style!



Students at Little Big Steps Ariana and Hattie Mae Giampietro, left, and Ella Salatovitch stay in touch with their teachers by sending them pictures of some of their daily activities.



Mrs. Amy Krzywicki, Crestwood High School English teacher grades 9-12 works on grading assignments given online to her students.

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Teachers ...

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to children and giving parents ideas for activities they can do at home," Carannante said. "We are like a little family," she commented. "We are very close to our children and their families. We really miss our children," she added.

Calabrese, who has operated Little Big Steps for eight years, said the shutdown has had an emotional impact on her. "I really miss the routine," she said. "I was there every morning to greet the children. I miss their smiles and hugs," she added.

Like her daughter, Calabrese described the students in their care as being like family. "We are very close to our children and their families," she related.

Carannante said the daycare closed on March 16 when the governor issued the stay at home order. She said it received a waiver but decided to stay closed for the safety of children and families. She pointed out the closing has affected children and families in many ways.

"Every day we get videos from our children telling us how much they miss us," she noted.

Carannante said the daycare is looking forward to re-opening, but the safety of children, families and staff is their priority. "We are very much looking forward to re-opening, as long as it's safe," she said. "Until then, we are here for anyone who needs help, no matter what they need," she added.

MMI Head of School Justin Kleinheider noted that students are continuing their fourth quarter studies with online course work in core subjects and capstone assessments.

"Our students and faculty migrated to online learning



Remi Wojciechowski, a member of the Little Big Steps family, is "calling Miss Carla".

with impressive speed and enthusiasm. The eagerness to connect renewed the vitality of the learning process and really speaks to our culture of curiosity here at MMI. Students and teachers are excited to learn each and every day," Kleinheider said.

MMI began its online courses on March 23 with work on core subjects including Science, Social Sciences, World Languages, Advanced Art, Anthropology, Computer Science, Math, and English. Keelyn Radzwich, Class of 2026

parent, said, "I have been pleased with MMI's online learning program. Our son has adjusted very well to the platform. Although distance learning will never replace his experience within the school walls, MMI's design has been a smooth transition for him to continue his learning. I'm impressed with all of his teachers and their accessibility." Two weeks after starting the online learning curriculum, MMI began implementing live lessons into the program during the week of April 6. "Our approach takes into account the varied resources and tools students have at home which was served better by not requiring students to attend class at a certain time but rather using a weekly content posting schedule and periodic live sessions. When we began, our primary goal was to reestablish connection and communication with students and families and then we began scaffolding up the workload and expectations on a weekly basis. Moving a curriculum designed for face-to-face teaching into an entirely online environment is no easy task. All the credit goes to the subject area department chairs and faculty for the incredible dedication and effort they have

put into making this transition a success," said Justin Vincent MMI Dean of Academics

In a letter to parents, Kleinheider outlined MMI's plans for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year. He said MMI remains "committed to a fourth quarter graded experience" with its online classes and will have capstone assessments to mimic exams. The capstone projects will require students to demonstrate cumulative understanding of the course content through an online project-based assignment. Current MMI policies regarding exam exemptions will be upheld. AP exams will take place online per the Col-

lege Board.

Seniors will complete their classes and capstone assessments by May 15. Students in grades 6-11 will end classes on May 28 and complete their capstone assessments from June 4-8.

Kleinheider said that MMI administrators are working on alternate plans to celebrate the school's annual Upper School Awards Convocation and honor the graduating Class of 2020 in true MMI fashion.

"Rest assured that we will celebrate all our students with academic and athletic awards ceremonies as well as honor societies at a later date." he said.



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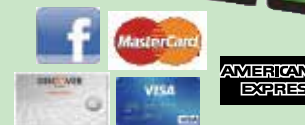
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Legion junior auxiliary shows support for essential workers and veterans

The Covid-19 Pandemic has brought our country, state, townships, and world to as close to a standstill as possible. It has caused anxiety, depression, hopelessness, confusion and, the list goes on, to so many people from all walks of life, but life does go on. It goes on with the help of those men and women who are essential to all of us. They are the doctors, nurses, and other medical and janitorial personnel that are working tirelessly in hospitals to help the sick, store clerks and stockers that are trying to keep stock up and have to work around people, truck drivers that are driving

around the country in difficult conditions to deliver the food and products we so desperately need, the firemen, police officers, paramedics and EMTs who are trying so hard to keep everyone safe while helping those who are most in need.

During this time two young women, Ava Groth and Cassidy Hudak, members of the American Legion Junior Auxiliary, Post 781 in Mountain Top wanted to do something to show their appreciation and thanks for all that these people have done and continue to do for our community and surrounding area.

Talking with Judy Buff, Presi-



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During a presentation ceremony held on Wednesday, April 22 at the American Legion, stars were given to representatives of the

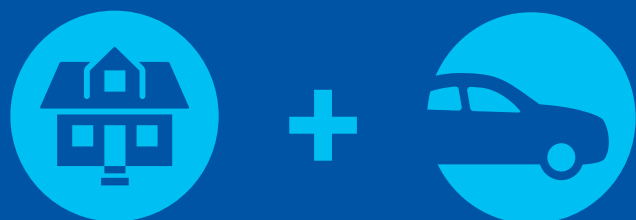
Wright Township, Fairview Township and Rice Township Police Departments, and Mountain Top EMTs and paramedics.

dent of the American Legion Auxiliary, the girls heard her story of how her son received a star with a poem, which he kept in his pocket to remind him that there were people praying and thinking about him back home while he

was serving in Iraq. Ava and Cassidy then decided to do something similar for those who have to work during this pandemic. So, the two went to work gathering old flags slated for proper destruction, and went about cutting out

the stars, thousands of stars, to put with a small poem of sorts, to then present to many well deserving individuals and organizations for putting their lives on the line every day. The

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Eleven Ways to Help Yourself Stay Sane in a Crazy Market

Keeping your cool can be hard to do when the market goes on one of its periodic roller-coaster rides. It's useful to have strategies in place that prepare you both financially and psychologically to handle market volatility. Here are 11 ways to help keep yourself from making hasty decisions that could have a long-term impact on your ability to achieve your financial goals.

1. Have a game plan

Having predetermined guidelines that recognize the potential for turbulent times can help prevent emotion from dictating your decisions. For example, you might take a core-and-satellite approach, combining the use of buy-and-hold principles for the bulk of your portfolio with tactical investing based on a shorter-term market outlook. You also can use diversification to try to offset the risks of certain holdings with those of others. Diversification may not ensure a profit or guarantee against a loss, but it can help you understand and balance your risk in advance. And if you're an active investor, a trading discipline can help you stick to a long-term strategy. For example, you might determine in advance that you will take profits when a security or index rises by a certain percentage, and buy when it has fallen by a set percentage.

2. Know what you own and why you own it

When the market goes off the tracks, knowing why you originally made a specific investment can help you evaluate whether your reasons still hold, regardless of what the overall market is doing. Understanding how a specific holding fits in your portfolio also can help you consider whether a lower price might actually represent a buying opportunity.

And if you don't understand why a security is in your portfolio, find out. That knowledge can be particularly important when the market goes south, especially if you're considering replacing your current holding with another investment.

3. Remember that everything is relative

Most of the variance in the returns of different portfolios can generally be attributed to their asset allocations. If you've got a well-diversified portfolio that includes multiple asset classes, it could be useful to compare its overall performance to relevant benchmarks. If you find that your investments are performing in line with those benchmarks, that realization might help you feel better about your overall strategy. Even a diversified portfolio is no guarantee that you won't suffer losses, of course. But diversification means that just because the S&P 500 might have dropped 10% or 20% doesn't necessarily mean your overall portfolio is down by the same amount.

4. Tell yourself that this too shall pass

The financial markets are historically cyclical. Even if you wish you

had sold at what turned out to be a market peak, or regret having sat out a buying opportunity, you may well get another chance at some point. Even if you're considering changes, a volatile market can be an inopportune time to turn your portfolio inside out. A well-thought-out asset allocation is still the basis of good investment planning.

5. Be willing to learn from your mistakes

Anyone can look good during bull markets; smart investors are produced by the inevitable rough patches. Even the best investors aren't right all the time. If an earlier choice now seems rash, sometimes the best strategy is to take a tax loss, learn from the experience, and apply the lesson to future decisions. Expert help can prepare you and your portfolio to both weather and take advantage of the market's ups and downs. There is no assurance that working with a financial professional will improve investment results.

6. Consider playing defense

During volatile periods in the stock market, many investors reexamine their allocation to such defensive sectors as consumer staples or utilities (though like all stocks, those sectors involve their own risks, and are not necessarily immune from overall market movements). Dividends also can help cushion the impact of price swings.

7. Stay on course by continuing to save

Even if the value of your holdings fluctuates, regularly adding to an account designed for a long-term goal may cushion the emotional impact of market swings. If losses are offset even in part by new savings, your bottom-line number might not be quite so discouraging.

If you're using dollar-cost averaging — investing a specific amount regularly regardless of fluctuating price levels — you may be getting a bargain by buying when prices are down. However, dollar cost averaging can't guarantee a profit or protect against a loss. Also consider your ability to continue purchases through market slumps; systematic investing doesn't work if you stop when prices are down. Finally, remember that the return and principal value of your investments will fluctuate with changes in market conditions, and shares may be worth more or less than their original cost when you sell them.

8. Use cash to help manage your mind-set

Cash can be the financial equivalent of taking deep breaths to relax. It can enhance your ability to make thoughtful decisions instead of impulsive ones. If you've established an appropriate asset

allocation, you should have resources on hand to prevent having to sell stocks to meet ordinary expenses or, if you've used leverage, a margin call. Having a cash cushion coupled with a disciplined investing strategy can change your perspective on market volatility. Knowing that you're positioned to take advantage of a downturn by picking up bargains may increase your ability to be patient.

9. Remember your road map

Solid asset allocation is the basis of sound investing. One of the reasons a diversified portfolio is so important is that strong performance of some investments may help offset poor performance by others. Even with an appropriate asset allocation, some parts of a portfolio may struggle at any given time. Timing the market can be challenging under the best of circumstances; wildly volatile markets can magnify the impact of making a wrong decision just as the market is about to move in an unexpected direction, either up or down. Make sure your asset allocation is appropriate before making drastic changes.

10. Look in the rear-view mirror

If you're investing long term, sometimes it helps to take a look back and see how far you've come. If your portfolio is down this year, it can be easy to forget any progress you may already have made over the years. Though past performance is no guarantee of future returns, of course, the stock market's long-term direction has historically been up. With stocks, it's important to remember that having an investing strategy is only half the battle; the other half is being able to stick to it. Even if you're able to avoid losses by being out of the market, will you know when to get back in? If patience has helped you build a nest egg, it just might be useful now, too.

11. Take it easy

If you feel you need to make changes in your portfolio, there are ways to do so short of a total makeover. You could test the waters by redirecting a small percentage of one asset class to another. You could put any new money into investments you feel are well-positioned for the future, but leave the rest as is. You could set a stop-loss order to prevent an investment from falling below a certain level, or have an informal threshold below which you will not allow an investment to fall before selling. Even if you need or want to adjust your portfolio during a period of turmoil, those changes can — and probably should — happen in gradual steps. Taking gradual steps is one way to spread your risk over time, as well as over a variety of asset classes.

Junior ...

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idea is to let them know that they are not alone, and are not forgotten, and that they are thought about and prayed for

every day.

Cassidy and Ava made two plaques one for the Smith Nursing Home and another for the Mountain Top Senior Care and Rehab Center in Mountain Top. They also put together

packages of stars to be delivered and given to every veteran and employee of the Wilkes-Barre Veteran's Hospital and Home.

During a presentation ceremony held on Wednesday, April

22 at the American Legion, stars were given to representatives of the Wright Township, Fairview Township and Rice Township Police Departments, and Mountain Top EMTs and paramedics. Due to the Covid-

19 virus Ava Groth and Cassidy Hudak along with representatives of the two nursing homes did not attend the ceremony. Auxiliary President Judy Buff stood in for Ava and Cassidy and led the ceremony.



American Legion Auxiliary President Judy Buff welcomes everyone and reads a speech that Ava Groth and Cassidy Hudak wrote. The girls were unable to attend because of Covid-19.



Cassidy Hudak and Ava Groth, members of the Junior Auxiliary put this project together to honor essential workers and veterans.



One of the stars that will be carried in the pocket of a police officer, EMT or Paramedic from Mountain Top.

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Guest Editorial

A perspective of history

I was a teacher at Crestwood High School for over 20 years. During that time I taught United States history. My students learned all about U.S.

history from the 1st Americans crossing the land bridge to the newspaper on the last day of school.

I knew it was important for my students to gain a perspective of history. They learned of the people, advancements, events, and changes that have

brought us to today's world. In the spring we would be in the early 1900s covering World War I, the sinking of the Titanic, and the flu epidemic of 1918. As we looked at that pandemic and how it affected our country I hoped that this would better prepare them to deal with a pandemic in their future.

The 1918 flu epidemic was devastating. Between 1918 and 1919, 50 million people died worldwide, and over 675,000 in the United States. That number is even more frightening when compared to the 116,516 U.S. deaths in World War I. Why was the 1918 flu so frightening? It struck those under 5 and those between 20 and 40 with the highest mortality



Charlie Herring

rates. People were perfectly OK in the morning, and the flu would kill them by nightfall. People said you ate breakfast with your family, and dinner

with your ancestors. As the flu spread from the Atlantic to the Pacific it devastated our country. We ran out of things people couldn't imagine running out of: masks, caskets, and medical supplies. In Philadelphia horse drawn carts were picking up bodies to be buried in mass graves. The flu affected everything. President Wilson was faced with the decision on whether to send our troops overseas to the Great World War. Should we pack the ships full of men to spread the flu among themselves? Americans did then what we are doing today. Masks were sold out, people went into self-imposed isolation, and they were afraid

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Fire departments take steps to keep first responders safe

Both Mountain Top Hose Company No. 1 and Wright Township Volunteer Fire Department have instituted guidelines and procedures dealing with sanitation of equipment and protecting members.

Mountain Top Hose Company No. 1 chief Pete Kohl recently published two standard operating procedures (SOP) dealing with Covid-19 virus. "It is important that we keep all of our members safe," the veteran chief said of his directives. "We are already shorthanded," Kohl added. Like volunteer units across the country, the hose company needs additional volunteers.

Kohl emphasized the procedures are in line with all national guidelines.

"This is nothing to mess with so please ensure that you read and adhere to these guidelines," the chief told his members in an email. "We don't need to spread this around the station, we don't have enough responders as it is!"

The first new SOP requires vehicles must be de-contaminated after every response. It will be the responsibility of the officer on the apparatus to ensure this is done. The department has Clorox solution and disposable gloves available at the station for this purpose.

The SOP requires after every response the interior of the cab is to be de-contaminated by using the Clorox spray and paper towels to wipe down the entire cab area including all headsets and microphones that may have been contacted by any personnel. On the exte-

rior of the cab all door handles must be wiped down.

The second SOP deals with individual members.

It requires all firefighters that are expecting to respond to calls or enter the station must self-monitor themselves. This includes taking their temperature once daily and keeping a record of the date and temperature that was obtained. If a temperature of 100 degrees or greater was obtained members must notify one of the chiefs. In addition, anyone having flu like symptoms should check

with their family physician and notify one of the chiefs.

In addition to the SOPs, Kohl urged hose company members to maintain a safe distance when responding to a call. "Please be careful when on calls. Maintain six feet between you or anyone you may need to interact with," Kohl cautioned firefighters. He noted there are masks on engine 1 and the rescue for direct patient contact.

The fire chief said his department, like others across the country, is experiencing a

shortage of medical gloves and masks. "We have some, but if there is a major outbreak, right now I don't know how we will be able to protect our guys," Kohl stated.

Wright Township fire chief Dave Pettit said his department has an entire Standard Operating Guideline (SOG) built around decontamination and sanitation.

Pettit explained the department took its cancer awareness and decontamination procedure and modified it to apply to the Coronavirus pan-

demic.

"We have been on a continuous improvement on the cancer awareness issue for some time now and some things have already been in place prior to the changes based on recommendations from the PA State Fire Academy for Covid 19 response," Pettit related. "We have cleaning and sanitizing kits already in place on the apparatus, but we have fortified the SOG to be more robust, ensuring the sanitizing

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agents and so on will apply," he explained.

Additionally, firefighters will do a full cab decontamination prior to returning to headquarters and then again once back as double measure. "We have already done a full cleaning of the apparatus prior and have placed a best practice SOG in place for general station and emergency response day to day operations," he explained.

Pettit said his members will be doing a full decontamination procedure of on-scene personnel prior to getting back into the apparatus. Responders will remove their protective gear after it is decontaminated and bagged until it can be placed into the department washer/extractor for a second full decontamination and sani-

tation. The same procedure is in place for breathing apparatus that is utilized, both on scene and again when back at station before returning to service.

"I believe everyone is doing something or a variation of (this)," Pettit offered. "It is now the world we live in and we must do our best to protect ourselves, our families and the people we respond to in time of need," he added.

Mountain Top Hose Company No. 1 president David Hourigan said he has been in contact with local legislators about an emergency bill being considered by the state legislature to help the fire service with expenses and lost revenues due to the Covid-19 virus. "It appears that there is consensus that this needs to be done and done urgently," Hourigan commented.

The department also applied for an Emergency Economic Injury Grant that is available thru the CARE Act. The amount of the grant is \$10,000. The department received a \$3,100 grant from the F.M. Kirby Foundation, Inc. The money will be used for the testing and certification of air packs.

Wright Township met with Mission Foods on Covid-19 procedures

Wright Township officials took steps to make sure management and employees of Mission Foods in the Crestwood Industrial Park are following Center for Disease Control best practices to prevent spread of Covid-19 virus.

Wright Township Volunteer Fire Department Chief

David Pettit, accompanied by Hanover Township Fire Chief Joseph Temarantz, visited the plant on April 14 on behalf of the township, the Mountain Top Council of Governments and State Senators Lisa Baker and John Yudichak. Their visit was intended to make sure plant management has proper information for best practices to deal with the virus and that this information is available to

employees.

The fire chiefs did not enter the plant but met with plant manager Hugo Andrade outside the front entrance. According to an email from Pettit to township solicitor Jack Dean, Andrade told them plant management is aware of the procedures. He also told them inspectors from the Depart-

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ment of Agriculture had conducted an inspection of the plant.

In other news ...

Township supervisors voted at their April 14 meeting to amend the township park rules to allow dogs on the park walking trail. The change was recommended by the township recreation board.

They also approved the appointment of township secretary/treasurer Pamela Heard as secretary for the zoning hearing board. Her fee will be \$150 per meeting which will include handling all paperwork associated with scheduling the meeting.

Supervisors will wait for a recommendation from township engineer Borton-Lawson to consider approving an

amendment to the Mountain Top Area Joint Sanitary Authority's (MAJSA) Act 537 sewage disposal plan. The amendment is needed for the authority to take over the Nuangola Borough sewer system.

Supervisors put off a vote on whether to take over a four-tenths of a mile section of Morio Drive currently maintained by MAJSA. The township currently is receiving liquid fuels funds for the road.

St. Michael's schedules yard sale

St. Michael's Orthodox Church in Freeland will sponsor an indoor community yard sale on Saturday, June 6 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Michael's Recreation Center, 300 Fern Street, Freeland.

Numerous vendors with new and old items and crafters will be selling their goods. A bake

sale will be featured, along with Tricky-Tray chances and much more. As always, delicious homemade foods will be available for eat-in or take-out.

This is a rain or shine event pending the outcome of the stay-at-home policy due to the Coronavirus. No early birds please.

Supervisors award contracts for road improvements

Asphalt Maintenance Solutions was awarded a \$69,549.27 contract to double seal coat Georges Road, a portion of Hollow Road, Eroh Road, Mountain View Road, Chipper Road and Cherrywood Drive.

Barletta Materials was awarded a \$72,963.36 contract for complete base repairs, scratch and leveling course and over-

lay pave of Skyline Drive.

DeAngelo Brothers LLC, Hazleton was awarded a \$5,464 contract to line paint St. Mary's Road and Prospect Road.

Supervisors tabled a project to repair, pave and line paint the municipal building parking lot including the unpaved area as only one bid was received. M & J Excavation submitted a bid of \$74,234 for the work.

They also adopted a resolution to establish a township spending policy to set guidelines for employees and supervisors. They also announced that the spring cleanup usually held in May will be postponed to a later date and the recycling center will be closed until further notice.

Opening of COG Center delayed

The Mountain Top Council of

Governments compost site in the Crestwood Industrial Park won't open this week. While Wright Township supervisors voted in favor of opening the facility, officials of Fairview Township felt more planning was needed to ensure safety of employees and the public.

Fairview Township supervisor Barry Jacob, a member of the COG governing board, said he and other township supervisor are anxious to open the facility for residents, but he wants to make sure it is safe to do so. He said he opposed opening the site this week because there was no plan for keeping employees and residents safe.

Since hardly anyone has purchased COG permits so far this year, Wright Township officials planned to sell permits at the site. Jacob is concerned, even

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with masks and gloves, about employees engaging the public while selling the permits. He is also concerned about the ability of employees to keep

people dumping yard waste separated.

Since it is ultimately up to the COG governing board to decide when and under what conditions to open the site, it might be a good idea for the board to call a special meeting

to come up with an acceptable plan.

Fairview supervisors adopt ordinance regulating food trucks

Fairview Township super-

visors adopted an ordinance regulating food trucks at their brief April meeting. The ordinance requires operators of mobile food facilities, commonly referred to as food trucks, to obtain an annual permit at a cost of \$100. The

ordinance restricts location and hours of operation of food trucks; defines parking requirements for customers; requires public access to nearby restroom facilities; and requires \$300,000 liability insurance.

New travel plaza in the works near the Dorrance exit of I-81

Plans for a new travel plaza near the Dorrance exit of I-81 took a big step forward at the April meeting of township supervisors when they gave conditional approval for the project.

Liberty Truck Center, Inc. is proposing to construct a new 5,603-square-foot convenience store with an attached 1,771-square-foot fast food restaurant on the site of the current Dorrance Sunoco on Blue Ridge Trail. The building will be served by a parking area containing 44 spaces for cars and 18 truck spaces and 14 spaces for fuel dispensers.

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The supervisors' approval included several conditions. A cost estimate for the stormwater improvement and erosion and sedimentation mitigation must be sent to township engineer for review so that financial security in the form of a bond will be issued to the township. Required county, and state approvals, including a PennDOT highway occupancy permit must be obtained.

The required sewage permit and well permit must be provided to the township prior to

issuance of the occupancy permit. Township solicitor Donald Karpowich will prepare a developer's agreement and stormwater management and maintenance agreement.

In other news ...

Supervisors approved a resolution to amend the Mountain Top Area Joint Sanitary Authority (MAJSA) Act 537 sewage disposal plan. The amendment is required because MAJSA is taking over operation of the Nuangola sewer system. There is no cost to Dorrance Township for this change, but it is required because part of Nuangola's lines transmit through Dorrance Township.

Wright Township sets leaf pickup program

Beginning this week, Wright Township will offer a free leaf pickup program. The program will run for approximately 5 weeks. Homeowners may dispose of leaves in biodegradable paper yard waste bags. No plastic bags will be collected. There is a 60 pound maximum

per bag. Bagged leaves should be put at the edge of the right of way.

Residents are encouraged to use other environmentally friendly ways of disposing leaves. Place leaves in and around plant beds and under trees and shrubs to provide nutrients for the soil and insulation for rose bushes and other fickle plants, or use a mulching

lawn mower to return those nutrients back to your lawn.

A reminder that the burning of leaves is not permitted within Township limits.

Leaf collection dates are subject to change because of inclement weather, equipment, or high leaf volume. Residents should plan ahead and put leaves out early to help ensure collection.



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Grief and coping support continue to be available. Please contact the church office.

An American Red Cross blood drive will be held at the church on Saturday, May 2 from 9 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Due to Covid-19, the Red Cross has implemented new protocols which will

be in place to ensure everyone's safety. To schedule an appointment to donate, please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org.

For more information: church office: 570-474-6060, church email: ChristUM-ChurchOffice@gmail.com.

EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Services: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Louis Aita, Pastor

7768 Blue Ridge Trail, Dorrance
570-868-5675

Pastor Lou is recording abbreviated services which can be viewed at ucc.today, or on facebook at Emmanuel UCC.

All services and fundraisers have been put on hold until we are able to gather again in a safe manner.

Consider mailing your weekly offering or electing to use bill payer services during this time.

If you have any need that the church or Pastor can assist with, do not hesitate to call.

FAITH CHURCH DRUMS

Service: Sunday 10 a.m.

Keith Evans, Pastor

4 Rittenhouse Place, Drums
570-599-8123

The church is closed at this time. In efforts to minister to all the Faith Church family, they are coordinating church leaders to call those who attend and have attended. Leaders will call on a weekly basis to spiritually encourage and pray for you. They are holding online church services on Facebook.

If anyone is in need of help contact the pastor at 570-764-6444.

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Services: Sunday 8:45 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Scott O. Miller, Pastor

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Faith United Methodist Church is closed for all services and activities.

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Services: Saturday: 6 p.m.

Sunday: 8 & 9:30 a.m.

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Masses are cancelled until further notice. The church will be open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until 2 p.m. for individual private prayer. All communication with the parish office will be conducted via phone, mail, or email.

Mass at Good Shepherd will be live streamed on YouTube. The link is: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRogmn_HRMsPzAq4XSysm3w.

One of the hardest parts of social distancing is not being able to receive the Holy Eucharist during Mass. For those of you who are participating in the Mass on television or with Father Mike on YouTube, the following is the Prayer for Spir-

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Zoom meetings are being

held throughout the week and the links for the Zoom meetings can be found on their website. Zoom Meetings: Men's and Women's Groups: Wednesdays at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Ground Zero56 for grades 5 and 6: Wednesdays at 1 p.m.; Cup Starting Point Youth Group for grades 7-12: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.; KidsTown Church: Thursdays at 1 p.m. Canvas Young Adult Group: Thursdays at 7 p.m.; Cup Stacking Club: Tuesdays at 12 p.m.

MOUNTAINVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

Service: Sunday 10 a.m.
Brook Selby, Pastor
5126 N. Lehigh Gorge Dr.,
White Haven
570-443-9438

The church is closed. They

will be live-streaming the service on Sunday mornings at 10 a.m.

All small groups are still meeting via conference call or video chat. Talk to your small group leader, or contact Pastor if you would like to be a part of one.

MT. ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Services: Sunday 9 A.M.
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NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Services: Sunday

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New Life Community Church has suspended all of its services and activities until further notice. They are worshipping on Facebook.

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study for anyone interested. These are Zoom meetings and can be joined on video at <http://PAiu.zoom.us/j/52653314753> or can be joined by phone at 8773690926, meeting number 5263314753. These numbers will be the same for all meetings including Sunday worship for those who do not have Facebook.

The church logo t-shirt order has been put on hold until after the "shelter-in" directive is over. You can still reserve one by emailing size and color to the church.

June 20 - Women's one day retreat. Please pray about attending!

They are still participating in the One Great Hour of Sharing program. Please open your hearts to help the "least of these". You can include notated check with mailed offering or

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All parish public Masses,
gatherings, and activities are
cancelled. The church is closed
until further notice.

Scheduled Mass intentions
will be said by one of the

priests at their private mass.

St. Jude Facebook page is
St. Jude Parish Mountain Top,
and website is www.stjc.org.,
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bulletin. To listen to Father
Joe's homily and other prayer
resource links, log on to www.stjc.org.

The church continues to
make adjustments to sched-
uled events keeping the care
and concern for all people
in the forefront. With this in
mind, they will not be hold-
ing the St. Jude International
Fest, which was scheduled May
30/31, or the St. Mary Bazaar,
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27/28. They continue to pray
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For more information visit smartintimeless.org or call Patty Siegel at 570-868-5690.

ST. MARY'S OF DORRANCE

Services: Saturday 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9 a.m.

Father Joseph Evanko, Pastor

3529 St. Mary's Road, Dorrance
570-868-5855

All parish public Masses, gatherings, and activities are cancelled. The Light Is On For You has been canceled until further notice.

Every effort is being made to get information to parishioners via email, Facebook and the church's website. Call the office if you know someone who doesn't have access to these resources and the church will mail a bulletin to them.

The church continues to make adjustments to scheduled events keeping the care and concern for all people in the forefront. With this in mind, they will not be holding the St. Jude International Fest, which was scheduled May

30/31, or the St. Mary Bazaar, which was scheduled for June 27/28. They continue to pray for the health and safety of all. These are very important fundraisers for the parishes so they will keep you informed about creative ways in which they will look to not only raise funds but keep the community connected in a safe manner.

If a priest is needed after hours call 570-474-6315, and follow the prompts for emergency. Saint Mary's website: stmarydorrance.org. Visit the website or Facebook page for Covid-19 updates.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Services: Saturday 5 p.m.

Sunday: 10:15 a.m.

Rev. Peter O'Rourke
411 Allegheny Street
White Haven
570-443-9944

St. Patrick's Church has cancelled all Masses and activities until further notice.

A video of Sunday's Mass celebrated by Fr. O'Rourke will be posted to the Parish Facebook page, St. Patrick Church White Haven.

Once again, thank you for your generous support. Parishioners have made a substantial contribution over the last several weeks. Please maintain your support during this time, and continue to mail your envelopes.

For your own safety and the safety of others, they will

conduct all business by phone or e-mail: office@stpatrick-whitehaven.org. If you have a need of any kind, please do not hesitate to contact them.

A number of parishioners have asked about the possibility of Online Giving. St. Patrick Church has now launched Online Giving through Our Sunday Visitor. Soon, they will have a link on their website for the convenience of parishioners who wish to take advantage of this option. If you would like to check it out, please use link: <https://www.osvhub.com/stpatrickwhitehaven/funds>. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the parish office.

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help out anyone that could use a nice pasta dinner. So on May 5 they will be giving away a pasta dinner to everyone in the community that would enjoy it. It is take out only and they will be observing all the rules to keep us all safe. Everyone must be wearing a mask. They will have a table set up outside the Parish Center kitchen door where they will be giving away the dinners. Only one person will be served at a time. You can have as many as you need for your family, but please only take what you need as they would like to feed as many as they can. Pickup will start at 11 a.m. and run until 5 p.m. or whenever they run out. If you

know of someone that could use a meal and can't get there let them know and they will take care of them.

The parish data system needs revising. Please complete your St. Patrick membership form and mail it to the Parish office. Even if you are a long-standing parishioner, please help them to update their files with current information.

**ST. PAUL'S
LUTHERAN CHURCH**
Services: Sunday 8:30 & 11 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Rev. Michelle Kaufman, Pastor
316 S. Mt. Blvd., Mountain Top
570-474-6616

As we continue to navigate these uncertain times, the safe-

ty and well-being of church members remains the main concern. In compliance with the recommended guidelines for gatherings during this coronavirus outbreak, they will not gather together for worship inside the church. As we have been encouraged to avoid all public gatherings, and keep us sheltered at home as much as possible. The church has also canceled all gatherings, including weekly Bible study, choir rehearsals, and committee meetings during this time.

The church is currently offering outdoor Sunday morning worship services honoring social distancing. Participants are asked to remain in the cars and tune in and follow along with the service. These

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at www.stpaulsmttop.com for updated information. The weekly services can also be found in both places online.

The Food Bank continues to distribute food to clients every Friday using safe distance practices. If you would like to drop off donations at the church, please do so on Fridays from 9 a.m.-noon. Donations are always welcome, and appreciated.

The church is carefully monitoring the current situation, and will resume all normal activities when the concern regarding social distancing is lifted. The church office is currently closed. For those who cannot get out or are in need of assistance please contact the church office and leave a message or contact Pr. Kaufman at 570-443-0832. There are several individuals who have offered to assist those in need.

St. Paul's is partnering with ELCA World Hunger to raise

funds for a matching World Hunger Domestic Grant. With outbreaks of the Corona virus (COVID-19) in the United States and around the world bringing so much of daily life to a grinding halt and contributing to hunger in our communities, they need your support now more than ever. You can make a donation to ELCA World Hunger today to support the congregation's feeding ministry. Checks should be made out to St. Paul's with a notation towards World Hunger grant in the memo line to qualify and mailed to the church address.

The annual May rummage sale is postponed at this time. It is their hope to reschedule it in the future.

St. Paul's will once again be taking orders for geranium plants to benefit the Victims Resource Center. Orders can be placed until Thursday, May 14. Cost is \$4 per plant or 3 for \$10. Colors available are red or pink. You can honor or remember the special women

in your life! Please mail to the church address or place your order and payment in the offering container. They will be displayed on Mother's Day as is tradition. Following the service, you can pick them up or donate them.

Join the congregation on May 16 at 10 a.m. for Adopt-A-Highway 2020! While many of us follow stay at home orders imposed on us for the greater good during this pandemic, the environment begins to heal. It is time to do our part again for Earth Day. Each spring, for the past 25 years, St. Paul's has adopted the 2-mile stretch of Route 309, from La Napoli's Restaurant at Konn's Corners to Rockledge development, to clean up our community, and take care of God's world. A drive-thru table will be setup in front of the church. Each car will be provided with safety

vests, work gloves, and garbage bags for your family unit. You will be assigned a ½ mile stretch of highway and drop your filled garbage bags on the roadside for pickup by Penn Dot. Reuse items for later use, please don't return any items to the church. Bags will be prepared and issued by 1-2 masked and gloved volunteers. Dress appropriately: long pants, closed-toe shoes, sunscreen and bug spray! RSVP by email to heyshai@verizon.net or call Shai Post at 570-474-2170 to let them know your group is coming and with any questions. Limited assignments will be available. Please check back on St. Paul's website as the date approaches to confirm this event.

**ST. PAUL'S
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Services: Sunday 9 a.m.

Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Janelle Wigen, Pastor
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that death was stalking everyone. The children came up with a simple little ditty. "There was a little bird his name was Enza, we opened the window and in flew Enza".

Here in Mountain Top the disease spread like wildfire. People became sick, they suffered and many died. Army doctors came in to help treat the local residents. My grandmother never talked to me about the epidemic. When I learned about it in a college

course I asked her about the pandemic. She got a horrible expression on her face as long suppressed memories were brought to mind. All she said to me was, "We don't talk about that!"

In late 1919 the pandemic slowly burned out. We know now that the virus could have mutated or it just killed all those who were susceptible. The people were frightened, because they didn't know what was happening. Today's pandemic has some of the same problems that people experienced in 1918. Masks and other supplies were quickly

out of stock. People are scared, and many are seeking the safety in the isolation of their homes. The flu is spreading rapidly, deaths are mounting, and fears and rumors are adding to the panic.

This is when I hope my student's historical perspective kicked in. They should realize that this is not 1918, we are much better prepared to deal with this pandemic. We know what a virus is, we know about vaccines, we know about treatments, we can communicate nationwide, we can impose lifesaving decrees, and so many other things not available in 1918. I hope that they

have learned that Americans when challenged always rise to the occasion. That we are a creative, inventive, caring, and compassionate people. That we will soon overcome this temporary challenge. Americans when faced with an impossible situation we don't sit down and cry, we work to overcome it.

In a short while we will be back to our normal lives again. As Americans we don't dwell on the impossibilities we look to the future. We must listen to what is needed to be done now to overcome this epidemic, and do it. In the midst of this tragedy we must remember

that Americans always dream of the future. In fact I am now dreaming about the NCAA announcing the coming of, "Jumping July Madness", and the P.I.A.A having a playoff to end this year's basketball season. The kids deserve to have these tournaments to complete their school careers. It will also show that we have returned to normal.

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