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One year old Hallie Judge visits with the Easter Bunny at the Conyngham Valley Civic Organization's (CVCO) first annual Easter egg hunt at Whispering Willows Park on Saturday, March 27.

Kerry Blaum and her mom Karen are excited to see the Easter Bunny at St. Jude's School.

# Easter fun



Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photos

Victoria Moore and McKenna and Conor O'Donnell show off the pile of eggs they found during an Easter egg hunt at the Whispering Willows Park sponsored by the Conyngham Valley Civic Organization (CVCO).

Myla Moyer is so excited as she is greeted by the Easter Bunny at the Dorrance Township Easter event on March 27. Ella and Zachary Zampetti have a bag of eggs filled with candy that they found along the path at the Mountaintop Family Church Easter walk on Saturday, April 3.

### Places To Go ... Things To Do ...

### CANCELLED MT. TOP SOCIAL CLUB

All regular meetings of the Mountain Top Social Club are cancelled until further notice. For information about the club call Rich at 570-751-6249.

### EVERY SUNDAY SPIRITUAL YOGA

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A donation basket will be available and donations are given to the church.

The class lasts 1 hour, all levels are welcome.

# UNTIL APRIL 17 LEGION BASEBALL SIGNUPS

Mountain Post 781 American Legion baseball is back for the summer of 2021. Signups are virtual this year and open until April 17. Please reply to mtpost781baseball@gmail. com with your player's name and the year born and you will be emailed the correct signup form.

Three divisions are expected this year: Prep.: all players born in 2007, 2008 or 2009; Youth (Jr.): all players born in 2005 or 2006; senior: all players born in 2002, 2003 or 2004.

### **APRIL 17**BIKE SAFETY RODEO

Cub scout Pack 63 is holding a Bike Safety Rodeo on Saturday, April 17 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. with registration beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Butler Township Community Park on Old Turnpike Road in Drums.

This event is free and open to the public. All children ages 4-14 are invited to bring their helmets and bicycles and participate in fun and educational activities that demonstrate bicycle safety. There will be guest speakers from PennDot, Butler Township police department and local custom bike builder Tony Cook. As each child completes a station, they will receive a stamp on their event passport. After all stations are competed, they can enter to win a free bicycle.

Social distancing and CDC guidelines will be followed. Any questions contact pack-63stjohns@gmail.com.

### **APRIL 19**SPAGHETTI DINNER

**The** White Haven Lions annual spaghetti supper will be served Monday, April 19 from 3:30 to 7 p.m. at St. Patrick Church Parish Center, 411 Allegheny Street, White Haven. The dinner is drive-thru takeout only. Adults: \$8, children under 12: \$4. Tickets available from Lions members, at the door, or contact Facebook page at facebook.com/whitehavenlions2015.

# **APRIL 25**POTATO PANCAKE & HALUSHKI SALE

Slocum Township Fire Company will host its annual spring potato pancake and halushki sale on **Sunday**, **April 25** from 3 to 7 p.m. Take-outs only, pre-orders are required by April 20.

Potato pancakes are \$1.50 each or 3 for \$4, Manhattan clam chowder quarts \$7,

halushki quarts \$6, and pierogies 3 for \$2.

Pre-orders are required by Tuesday, April 21 by contacting

any member, messaging their facebook page or calling the fire station and leaving a mes-

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### Crestwood Menu

### Elementary Schools and Secondary Campus

Due to the Covid-19 virus, the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs are providing free meals during the 2020-21 school year.

In order to qualify students must take a complete meal which consists of meat or meat alternative, minimum of 1/2 cup serving of fruit or vegetable, grain/bread.

The menu is the same for all buildings and locations for both virtual or in person.

### Week of April 19

Monday: Yogurt, string cheese and Goldfish crackers or all beef hot dog on a roll, assorted vegetables, assorted fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

Tuesday: Turkey bacon club sandwich with cheese or beef and cheese burrito on a soft shell tortilla, assorted vegetables, assorted fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

Wednesday: Ham and American cheese on a club roll or cheeseburger on a roll, assorted vegetables, assorted fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

Thursday: Italian hoagie with cheese or buffalo chicken and cheese on a soft shell tortilla, assorted vegetables, assorted fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

Friday: Peanut butter and jelly uncrustable or chicken patty on a roll, assorted vegetables, assorted fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

### Week of April 26

Monday: Bologna and cheese sandwich on hamburger roll or pulled pork barbecue on a roll, assorted vegetables, assorted fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

Tuesday: Chef salad with ham and turkey served with dinner roll or cheeseburger on a roll, assorted vegetables, assorted fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

Wednesday: Ham and American cheese on a club roll or chicken fajita with cheese on a soft shell tortilla, assorted vegetables, assorted fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

Thursday: Turkey bacon club sandwich with cheese or chicken patty on a roll, assorted vegetables, assorted fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

Friday: Yogurt, string cheese and Goldfish crackers or walking taco with beef on a roll, assorted vegetables, assorted fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

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sage at 570-868-6255.

### **BREAKFAST BUFFET**

The Dorrance Fire Department is serving its big breakfast buffet on Sunday, April 25 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon at the fire house on St. John's Road in Dorrance Township. The menu includes eggs, pancakes, French toast, ham, sausage, home fries, coffee, tea, juice and pastries. The cost is \$8 for adults; \$4 for kids 6-12 and children 5 and under are free. There will also be basket raffles. Covid safety practices will be in effect and masks are required. There will be limited seating available for eatin. Take outs are available and preferred.

### MAY 1 TAKE-OUT HAM DINNER

Emmanuel UCC will hold a drive thru take-out ham dinner on Saturday, May 1 from 3-5 p.m. Cost is \$10. This event will be preorders and take out only! Orders are being taken until April 24. To order please call Joan at 570-574-0626 or

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SCSEP offers on-the-job training, referrals for additional classroom training (if appropriate), and referrals to employers in the community who are seeing the skills you have or will acquire in the program. It can also offer assessment, testing and counseling if desired or needed.

The on-the-job training offered by SCSEP means that you will be assigned to train at a government or nonprofit agency for 15-20 hours per week. You will be paid the minimum wage by the program for the time you spend in on-the-job training, attending approved classes or program meetings, or otherwise engaged in authorized training activities.



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### Annual Good Friday fish fry held at the American Legion

BSA Venturing Crew 461 along with the BSA Scout Troop 781 girls held its annual Good Friday fish fry on Friday, April 2 from noon to 7 p.m. Cost for the meal was \$10 and included fried fish fillet, French fries, cole slaw, dinner roll and dessert. The take-out dinner was held

outdoors at the American Legion. All proceeds go to help the kids go to camp and do many of the fun things that they like to do. The crew and girls 781 would like to thank everyone for their support and if anyone is interested in joining either group call Sheila at 570-436-6276.



Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photos Ellie Molyneux, 461 Venturing Crew, puts filled containers into bags for customers.



Maryanne Herron just picked up her two dinners to take home to enjoy later in the day.

### Zabroski earns 100th career goal

Crestwood senior Trey Zabroski earned his 100th lacrosse career goal on Friday, April 2 when Crestwood took on Tunkhannock in District 2 play. He currently sits at 100 goals and 87 assists for his high school career which includes 2 district championships and PIAA Quarterfinal and Semi-Final games.

Trey has been playing lacrosse since early grade school and has been a starting midfielder and attackman for the Comets where he is also a two-time, district runner up wrestler and soccer player. "Trey is a skilled ball handler who plays with passion and an unselfish attitude as demonstrated by his equal balance of goals and assists" states Crestwood



Trey Zabroski

Head Coach Brian Zabroski. "Trey is a team player who we are counting on to provide leadership to many of our younger players who are joining the team this year" Zabroski adds.

Trey plans to continue his lacrosse career into college and will make a decision on that path soon.





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Road in Dorrance Township, Mountain Top, across from Andy's Gas Station.

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### **CHICKEN DINNER**

The American Legion, Mountain Post 781, Sons of the American Legion, 1550 Henry Drive, Mountain Top will hold a roast chicken dinner on May 2 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. or until sold out. The cost is \$10 and the dinner is take out only.

For more info contact 570-474-2161 or email mtsal0781@ gmail.com.

### **CRAFT AND ARTISAN FAIR**

The American Legion, Mountain Post 781 Auxiliary, 1550 Henry Drive, Mountain Top will hold a craft and artisan fair in conjunction with the chicken dinner on May 2. The fair takes place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and includes a basket raffle, 50-50 and bake sale.

For more info contact 570-574-4840 or 570-332-8962.

### MAY 7 **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

The Domestic Violence Service Center is hosting its 13th annual golf tournament on May 7 at the Blue Ridge Trail Golf Course in Mountain Top.

It is a captain and crew format with a 1 p.m. shotgun start. Cost is \$150 for a single golfer and \$600 for a team of four. Golf package includes green fee, cart fees, lunch, cocktails, heavy hors d'oeuvres and a tournament gift.

Prizes will be awarded. Registration due by April 26.

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The line for Butcher Bob's is long with people waiting to order some tasty barbecue.



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Ready for Easter are, from left, Ryan Covelens, the Easter Bunny, Zach Snyder, Trent DiLodovico, John Jones, Ethan Shudak, Logan Haddix and Andrew Hischak.

### Crestwood football team holds fundraiser

The Crestwood football team held a fundraiser and community event on Saturday, March 27 from 12 to 6 p.m. in the parking lot of the secondary campus. With the weather being perfect many came out to enjoy food from the area's great food trucks. The all-outdoor event

also included a special appearance by the Easter Bunny and free candy baskets for children 10 and under. There was also a basket raffle with some great items. People came out in droves to support football and to enjoy a bite to eat and see the Easter Bunny.

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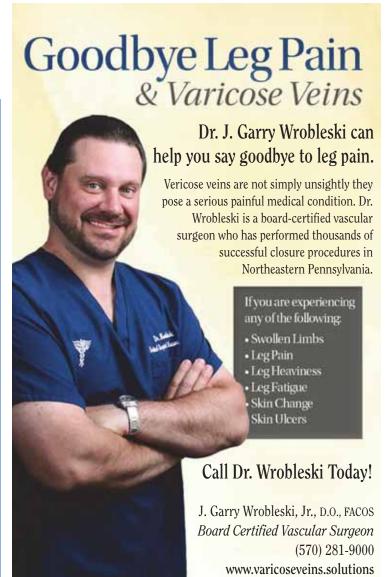
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# **Emmersyn Seltzer captures 4th place at Keystone State Games**

**Emmersyn Selt**zer a 4th grade student at Rice **Elementary rep**resented Crestwood School District at the girls state wrestling tournament on April 3 and brought home 4th place. She is the daughter of Jason and Amanda Seltzer.







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# News in Brief ...

# Noise from plant in industrial park is a problem in Fairview

A dozen township residents turned out for the April meeting of Fairview Township supervisors to voice their complaints about noise coming from a plant in the Crestwood Industrial Park.

The residents from Bow Creek and Highland Woods developments told supervisors the noise has been ongoing for months and keeps them awake nightly. "It's unbearable," Bow Creek resident Gene Vivaldi told supervisors. Speaking on behalf of his neighbors, He noted that some people are contemplating selling their homes because of the noise.

"We're asking you to do something to enforce our own ordinances," Vivaldi pleaded.

Another resident, Evelyn Zakowski, told supervisors the noise has been a problem for over a year. "It's become a mental health issue," Zakowski stated. Several other residents added they are kept awake night after night by the noise.

Fairview Township zoning officer Carl Alber told residents because the plant is in adjoining Wright Township, Fairview Township has no jurisdiction. He said he has reached out to Wright Township zoning officer Tim Dow about the noise complaints but has not gotten a response.

Township solicitor Sean Logsdon told the residents there is a jurisdictional issue with regard to enforcing Fairview Township ordinances.

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However, he said at the direction of supervisors he would be contacting Wright Township officials as well as the township solicitor about the problem.

Fairview Township supervisors suggested the residents attend the next Wright Township supervisors meeting to voice their complaints.

### In other news ...

A revised fee schedule for zoning and other hearings was approved. The fee for zoning hearing appeals, appeals to the board of supervisors for conditional uses, and appeals to the UCC appeals board was set at \$500. Cost of an application for a zoning change will be \$1,000.

Costs in excess of the appeal fee will be charged separately to the appellant. Those costs include posting of notices, advertising, stenographer appearance fee, transcript fee, professional consulting fees, and any necessary administrative costs.

Supervisors voted to advertise for bids for paving projects on Lake Road in Glen Summit and Bow Creek Drive. They also approved reopening the municipal building for the primary election; approved a \$2,500 payment to the Mountain Top Council of Governments; and hired Nicholas Kreuzer as a part-time road crew employee at \$15 an hour.

# Electronic recycling scheduled for August 7

An electronic recycling event scheduled for August 7 at the Wright Township recycling center will be open to residents of Wright, Rice and

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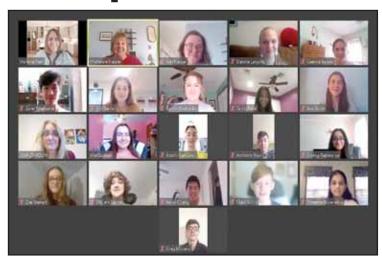
### **Crestwood competes in PJAS**

Students from the Crestwood Secondary Campus competed in the Regional Meeting of Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science held virtually this year on March 6.

The students presented projects in Science and Math.

Eight students earned first awards, while 14 earned second awards. Caitlin Dushanko (Chemistry) and Natalie Matthews (Mathematics) earned perfect scores. Erin Barno and Kevin Cheng each received a scholarship to LCCC for one 3 credit course in the Early College program.

The students who earned a first award will have their projects move on to the state competition which will be held virtually in May.



Pictured, row 1: Marlene Veet, faculty sponsor, Michaline Harper, faculty sponsor, Tori Harper, Dakota Langlitz, Ceanna Belisle; row 2: Zane Villafuerte, Erin Barno, Caitlin Dushanko, Tanisi Patel, Ava Groth; row 3: Jean Zanolini, faculty sponsor, Alex Lipinski, Austin Campbell, Anthony Wan, Shreya Rupareliya; row 4: Zoe Stewart, William Savner, Kevin Cheng, Clark Groth, Shreema Rupareliya; row 5: Greg Mocanu. Absent from photo are Natalie Matthews, Kaitlyn Leicht, Zain Ansari, Nicholas Matthews.



Elisa Carone and Emilia Williams enjoy some fun at school for Read Across America week.

### Dr. Seuss celebration held at St. Jude's

"The more you will read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn the more places you'll go!" These words went straight from Dr. Seuss into the Pre-Kindergarten classrooms at Saint Jude School as the celebrated Read Across America. Students read about The Lorax and became Horton from Horton Hears A Who. Students played games, read stories and heard rhymes from the famous author, as his birthday is a focus of Read Across America.





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### Crestwood Lacrosse

### April 2

On 4-2 Crestwood Comets boys lacrosse defeated the Tunkhannock Tigers 15-2 to earn their second victory of the 2021 season. Crestwood scoring was led by Chandler O'Farrell who had 7 goals and 2 assists followed by Trey Zabroski, Noah Schultz and Nick Curry who had 2 goals each. Chase Pugh and Brendan Dennis rounded out the Crestwood scoring with 1 goal apiece. Jimmy Hawley's efforts at face-off were key for Crestwood possessions.

Crestwood scoring: Chandler O'Farrell: 7 goals, 2 assists; Trey Zabroski: 2 goals, 4 assists; Noah Schultz: 2 goals, 3 assists; Nick Curry: 2 goals; Chase Pugh: 1 goal; Brendan Dennis: 1 goal; Robert Knight: 1 assist. Goalkeeping: Crestwood (Dean Fey): 4 saves.

### April 5

On 4-5 Crestwood Comets Boys Lacrosse defeated the Dallas Mountaineers 17-2 to earn their third victory of the 2021 season. Crestwood scoring was led by Trey Zabroski who had 6 goals and 3 assists and Chandler O'Farrell with 4 goals/3 assists. Additional Crestwood scoring came from Nick Curry (3 goals), Noah Schultz (2 goals), Brendan Dennis and Chase Pugh added 1 goal each. Jimmy Hawley and Logan Rolles shared face-off duties and were key for Crestwood possessions and Dean Fey managed 3 saves in goal. Crestwood defenders Ryan Harding, Zach Antosh, Aidan Jardine, Ethan Stoltz and Evan Fey held Dallas to only 3 shots on goal for the game.

Crestwood scoring: Trey Zabroski: 6 goals, 3 assists; Chandler O'Farrell: 4 goals, 3 assists; Nick Curry: 3 goals, 1 assist; Noah Schultz: 2 goals, 1 assist; Chase Pugh: 1 goal, 1 assist; Brendan Dennis: 1 goal; Ryan Harding: 1 assist; Evan Fey: 1 assist. Goalkeeping: Crestwood (Dean Fey): 3 saves.

### **April 7**

Crestwood Comets Boys Lacrosse defeated the Scranton Prep Cavaliers 21-3 to earn their fourth victory of the 2021 season. Crestwood scoring was led by Chandler O'Farrell and

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### Scouts earn dance badge at *Encore*



Encore Dance was filled with excited energy recently as Girl Scout Troop 33268 earned their dance badges. Angela Higdon, owner of Encore, held a private session to teach the group about dance and learn a routine. The girls per-

formed the dance at the end of the session for parents. Striking a pose are Maegan Miller, Kamryn Kemper, Alexa Mihalos, Alison Joseph, Morgan Miller, Ella Herbst, Anna Joseph, Gianna Petrylak, and Alison Wegrzynowicz.





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Fairview Townships. Officials from all three municipalities have agreed to work together to open the event to their residents.

### **Rice appoints** members to rec board

Rice Township supervisors recently appointed five members to the newly formed township recreation board. John Rodgers was appointed

for a five-year term as board chairperson. Other members are supervisor Rick Arnold, four-year term; Holly Guydish, three-year term; Nanci Romanyshyn and Burton Scouton, one-year terms.

### In other news ...

Rice supervisors approved a \$124,849.98 payment to Fabcor, Inc. for work on the Ice Pond dam outlet improvement project. Township engineer Andrew Pasonick reported a coffer dam has been installed around the dam and the existing outlet pipe has been located. The engineer said results of surveys of the dam will be forwarded to the state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). He said the timeline for completion of the project depends on how quickly DEP gives the contractor the go ahead to move forward.

The township resumed Wednesday recycling on April 7. Hours on Wednesdays are 4 to 7 p.m. in addition to Saturday hours.

### Gaming grants still not approved

Municipalities across Mountain Top, as well as those throughout Luzerne County, will have to wait until at least the end of May to find out if the gaming grant applications (Local Share Account) they submitted last fall will be awarded.

The Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) which awards and administers gaming grants, was supposed to meet March 23 to consider the applications which were due by November 30, 2020. That meeting, however, like the previous one scheduled for January 19, was cancelled. The authority is not scheduled to meet again until May 25.

Meanwhile, municipalities that were hoping to use gaming grants for road improvements that were put off from last summer because the grants weren't awarded, will have to continue to keep those projects on hold. Fairview Township which applied for gaming grant funds to buy a new police vehicle, decided it could not put off the purchase and voted to borrow \$30,600 from First Keystone Community Bank to pay for a new police vehicle. The term of the loan is three years at 2.35 percent with monthly payments of \$880.

The CFA is an independent agency of the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) to administer Pennsylvania's economic stimulus packages, including gaming grants.

Last December, Casey Smith, communications director for DCED said projects funded by gaming grants require a unanimous approval by board members. "Unfortunately, the board has not been able to

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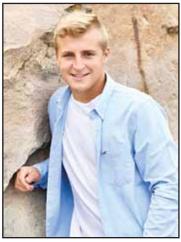
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### **Zabroski among Service Academy nominations**

U.S. Representative Matt Cartwright (PA-08) proudly announced the students from Luzerne County nominated for appointments to attend the United States Service Academies. Each student nominated by Rep. Cartwright will go through the academies' competitive application process. If offered an appointment, the students will join their respective academy's Class of 2025. Twenty students were nominated by Rep. Cartwright to apply for U.S. Service Academy appointments in 2021.

"It is my distinguished honor to nominate these exceptional students as candidates for appointment to our esteemed United States Service Academies," Rep. Cartwright said. "Each student nominated is among the best and brightest



Trey Zabroski

of Northeastern Pennsylvania, and they represent the next generation of great American leaders. I want to thank these outstanding young adults for their willingness to commit to serving their country. They give me hope that our best days are surely ahead."

Cartwright's Class of 2025 U.S. Service Academy nominees from Luzerne County include Trey Addison Zabroski from Mountain Top.

Trey has been nominated to the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY. He is the son of Brian and Edie Zabroski and a senior at Crestwood High School. He is a member of the National Honor Society, National Spanish Honor Society and the Principal's Honor Roll. He was captain of the wrestling team and has varsity letters in lacrosse, soccer and wrestling. Trey volunteers in his community for youth lacrosse, soccer and wrestling programs. He is the student body class treasurer and participated in U.S. Coast Guard Academy AIM and PA Boys State.

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reach a consensus on these applications and has not made awards to date," she said of the Luzerne County gaming grant applications.

# July 4 parade plan upsetting to some Fairview residents

Some long-time Fairview Township residents recently expressed dismay that neither of the two groups vying to conduct this year's July 4 parade plan to include the township in the route.

Mountain Top on The Move wants to start its parade near St. Jude Church and travel north on Route 309, ending at the Wright Township municipal building. Mountain Top Area Community Association plans to start in the same area and end at the Crestwood Secondary Campus.

Steve McGinnis, an officer of the Mountain Top Historical Society, pointed out the annual

parade historically started in Fairview Township near Kirby Avenue, proceeded south on South Main Road, and ended at the Wright Township park. "For more than 30 years the parade started in Fairview Township" said McGinnis.

Eric Aigeldinger, a former Fairview Township police officer and Crestwood School Board member, feels confining the parade to Route 309 takes away the "hometown" atmosphere. "Including South Main Road gives the parade that hometown feel," Aigeldinger offered.

Both men urged the organizations to work out an agreement on the parade and to include Fairview Township in the route. "It's our legacy," they said.

Historically, the parade stepped off on Route 309 near Kirby Avenue and then headed south on South Main Road. In 2019, the last year it was held, the route was changed because of construction on a PennDOT bridge on South Main Road.











### Krzywicki appointed grant writer and community outreach specialist

Family Service Association of Northeastern Pennsylvania (FSA) recently named Paul Krzywicki of Mountain Top as the nonprofit organization's grant writer and community outreach specialist.

Krzywicki is a public relations, media and marketing and communications professional with management experience in fundraising, crisis communications, media literacy, social media content and editorial content development. His work has been recognized by the Society of Professional Journalists and the College & University Public Relations and Association Professionals.

At FSA, he will be responsible for researching, writing and applying for grants to fund designated health and human services programs and initiatives. Krzywicki also will conduct outreach and build relationships with foundations, local and state elected officials, and government agencies and employees in order to identify, apply and secure new funding streams. In addition, he will work with regional media to build awareness about the agency's mission and the programs it provides to members of the community.

FSA was established in 1895 by a group of involved and concerned members of the community in order to provide diverse services that empower children, individuals, seniors and families to reach their full potential by building healthier relationships and stronger communities.

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Paul Krzywicki

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### Christ United Methodist Church, Crestwood Key Club and Kiwanis create Mountain Top Hop

Christ United Methodist Church teamed up with Crestwood High School's Key Club and the Mountain Top Kiwanis Club to create the Mountain Top Hop, a scavenger hunt that took place throughout Mountain Top in place of the annual Easter egg hunt.

"You create an account, and then you have access to questions, which leads you to local businesses. They're a little bit like a riddle, so you have to figure that out and then go to the local business." explained Wendy Griffiths of the Mountain Top Kiwanis.

There were 32 posters at different businesses and places in the Mountain Top community for the scavenger hunt, all designed and created by Crestwood Key Club members.

The people who registered and visited the most businesses had a chance at one of 18 prizes, including a \$50 Visa gift card.

Thanks to leaderboard sponsors: Dr. Walt Novelli DMD, Dr. Biscotti DMD, Mt. Top Title & Tag, Dr. Foster DMD, Pro Rehab, Cavanaugh's Grille, Conservatory of Dance, Huntzinger's Karate, Adelina's, Abe's Hot Dogs, Soul Shine, Dr. Karen DDS, Mt. Top Kiwanis's Club, and the Kirby Library. Also thank you to the businesses who were the poster hosts.



Pictured, from left: Key Club member Mac Kline; Kiwanis Club members Dan Saunders and Wendy Griffiths; Key Club members Shannon Griffiths, Megan McLaughlin, Tori Casarella, Sydney Bruno, Chloe Caplan, Lily Glander, Jalyn Cook, Marley Myers and Key Club Advisor Carrie Kline. Not pictured Kiwanis President Brian McLaughlin and Christ United Methodist Church Pastor JP Bohanan.



Mountain Top Hop leaderboard prize distribution, there were 19 winners from the leaderboard. Shown are, Kiwanis Club President Brian McLaughlin, prize winners Cristine Solliday and Olivia Jolie, Crestwood Secondary Campus Key Club Advisor Carrie Kline, prize winner Anna Glassic, Christ United Methodist Church Pastor JP Bohanan and Jesse Bohanan.

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A Mountain Top native, Patel is a 2009 Crestwood graduate and is proud to be serving her hometown. She obtained her undergraduate degree in biology from Wilkes University in 2013 and earned her medical degree from Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine in 2017. She recently completed her pediatric residency with Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) and is currently practic-



**Bhumi Patel** 

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### **Barry Isett & Associates promotes Dow**

Barry Isett & Associates, Inc. (Isett), a multidiscipline engineering firm has made changes to its staff. The firm welcomed six new associates into its Corporate Administration and Code Inspection & Plan Review departments, as well as its Mechanical, Electric, and Plumbing (MEP) group. In addition, three promotions were issued within the firm's Civil and Code departments.

Tim Dow, BCO, of Mountain Top, was promoted to Acting Operations Manager of Isett's Code Department in the Hazleton region. A member of the team since 2013, his recent responsibilities have included zoning



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Trey Zabroski who had 5 goals each followed by Noah Schultz and Nick Curry with 3 goals each, Brendan Dennis with 2 goals and Chase Pugh, Michael

Zaleski and Logan Rolles who each had one. "The key to tonight's victory can be traced back to the faceoff possessions that Jimmy Hawley and Logan Rolles earned for us tonight" remarked Crestwood Head Coach Brian Zabroski. "Jimmy

is a workhorse who can be counted on for that important facet of the game" Zabroski adds.

Crestwood scoring: Trey Zabroski: 5 goals, 7 assists; Chandler O'Farrell: 5 goals, 1 assist; Nick Curry: 3 goals; Noah Schultz: 3 goals; Brendan Dennis: 2 goals, 1 assist; Chase Pugh: 1 goal, 1 assist; Michael Zaleski: 1 goal, 1 assist. Goalkeeping: Crestwood (Dean Fey): 4 saves.

### **April 9**

Crestwood Boys Lacrosse defeated the Lake Lehman Knights 19-8 to earn their 5th victory of the 2021 season at Crestwood Stadium on Friday night, April 9. Crestwood scoring was led by Chandler O'Farrell who had 8 goals followed by Noah Schultz with 4, Trey Zabroski and Nick Curry had 3 a piece and Chase Pugh had 1.

Trey Zabroski from Crest-

wood made his 100 career goal milestone with 6 assists on the night.

Crestwood scoring: O'Farrell: 8 goals, 1 assist; Schultz: 4 goals, 2 assists; Zabroski: 3 goals, 6 assists; Nick Curry: 3 goals; Pugh: 1 goal, 1 assist; Brendan Dennis: 1 assist.

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### Blessing of the baskets held at local churches

As with most everything else, the custom of blessing Easter baskets looked a little different this year. Baskets were blessed outside, in the parking lot at both St. Jude's in Mountain Top and St. Mary's in Dorrance. Parishioners started arriving early at both churches. Baskets were displayed in the rear of cars or placed on the hood with towels or tablecloths underneath. Others were placed on the ground. The baskets had decorative

coverings, some with fancy ribbons and bows, and a couple had lighted candles. They were filled with various traditional Easter foods, ham, kielbasa, eggs, horseradish, paska bread, cheese and butter. Some included candy.

The custom of blessing Easter baskets was brought to the United States from central and eastern European countries, like Poland and Slovakia. Each country or ethnic culture has its own adaptation of how the basket is decorated and what

foods are included.

Items included in the basket have special meanings - brightly decorated eggs symbolize rejoicing and new life. Meat is a sign of abundance and God's generosity. Butter and cake in the shape of a lamb remind us that Jesus is the Lamb of God and the kindness we should have toward one another. Paska bread symbolizes Christ as the bread of life and horse-

radish symbolizes the bitter passion of Christ and the hardships of life. Wine is the drink of the Passover meal and serves as a reminder of the glory of the resurrection. The lighted candle in the Easter basket represents the risen Christ as the Light of the World.

Families traditionally eat the blessed food after the Easter Resurrection Mass.



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Father Philbert, who is from the Diocese of Sunyani, Ghana, Africa told those gathered that this is his first-time blessing Easter baskets since they do not have the tradition in his homeland. He is using an older traditional version of an aspergillum called a broom to sprinkle the holy water.



Father Joe makes the rounds blessing Easter baskets at St. Jude Church.





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Regular church services have resumed and they are following the CDC guidelines. They welcome visitors and friends to join them for worship every Sunday.

Emmanuel UCC will be holding a drive thru take -out ham dinner on Saturday, May 1 from 3-5 p.m. Cost is \$10. This event is preorders and take out only. Orders are being taken until April 24. To order call Joan at 570-574-0626 or the church office at 570-868-5675, leave a message. Menu includes: ham, scalloped potatoes, vegetable, apple sauce and bread.

If recycling, place the cans in large bags and drop them off in the large crates at the back of the lower parking lot.

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distancing standards. They ask that anyone who has been sick, has recently been exposed to Covid-19, has a compromised health condition to join them for online services.

Sunday morning services are also available through live-stream: MFC Webpage: www. mfcchurch.com/live-stream; Youtube: search for Mountaintop Family Church; Facebook: go to Mountaintop Family Church Facebook page.

Zoom meetings are being held throughout the week and the links for the Zoom meetings can be obtained by emailing Debbie@mfcchurch.com. Zoom meetings: Men's and Women's Groups are held on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Ground Zero56 for grades 5 and 6 and Starting Point Youth for grades 7-12 are both held on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Canvas Young Adult Group is held on Thursdays at 7 p.m.

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The church has re-opened for services under the Covid guidelines. They ask that you wear a mask and practice social distancing if you attend services.

On Sunday, April 18 there will be a special Larry Ahlborn Remembrance Day. This was

the day that Larry was scheduled to lead the worship service with his musical ministry, but, unfortunately, he passed away on New Year's Day. They are going to remember his legacy by playing his music, singing his songs and sharing his memories.

Cindy Faust will be the special guest speaker on April 25.

For more information about church services please contact Diane Webster at 570-379-3713.

### NEW HOPE WAPWALLOPEN CHARGE

Services: Faith UMC: 8:45 a.m. Stairville UMC: 10 a.m. Slocum UMC: 11:15 a.m. Scott O. Miller, Pastor Stairville Road, Mountain Top

Sunday services are still being held in each church.

For any needs or concerns,

please contact: Faith UMC: Wilma Baratta at 570-200-5329; Stairville UMC: Christine Kellow at 570-868-3413; Slocum UMC: Charles Herring at 570-868-6478.

Join Stairville UMC for spiritual yoga on Sundays at 5:30 p.m. Spiritual yoga deepens the connection to God through a spiritual and physical practice. Weather permitting, they will meet outdoors but there is room to move inside if needed.

You are required to wear a mask to and from class and

bring your own yoga mat. You will be spaced 6 feet apart and during the yoga practice you may remove your mask. A donation basket will be available and donations are given to the church. The class lasts 1 hour, all levels are welcome.

Pastor Scott can be reached by phone, text, or email at: 570-200-5388, email: somiller@susumc.org. Visit them on Facebook at New Hope Wapwallopen.

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### **NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Services: Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. **Pastor: John Broglin** 570 S. Main Road, Mountain Top 570-868-5155

New Life Community Church, invites you to come and worship the way it used to be.

The church has reopened for in-person services at 50%

seating capacity. Please bring your own Bible as they will not be using the pew Bibles, hymnals or bulletins at this time.

Everyone is welcome to join Bible study on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. in the fellowship hall. If you prefer to join in with Bible study using Zoom, please contact Pastor John.

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### Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. **Interim Pastor: Neil Partington** 9 Chestnut Street, Mountain Top 570-474-9951

You are invited to join in worship on Sunday, April 18.

There are 2 sanitizing stations available, and masks will be required as well as social distancing. If you have been ill during the 2 weeks prior to any service, you are asked to stay home and join in on Facebook or Zoom. They will continue to make the service available live on Facebook and for replay.

The church will once again be participating in One Great Hour Of Sharing during Lent. Envelopes and brochures are available in the sanctuary. Offerings will be commissioned April 18.

Looking ahead: April 18 and 25: Youth group at 6:30 p.m.

On Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. there is a fireside chat/Bible study for anyone interested. These are Zoom meetings and can be joined on video at http:// PAiu.zoom.us/j/52653314753

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Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photo

Jason Cyphert explains to this group of children that there was a little accident and eggs were spilled everywhere, and they need to each find fifty of the candy filled Easter eggs to help pick them up.

### **Easter walk at Mountaintop Family Church**

Mountaintop Family Church held an Easter walk on Saturday, April 3, between 1 and 3 p.m. There was an Easter story displayed along the hayride path, popcorn and sno-cones, a family goody bag, and candy filled eggs with prizes for children in grades 6 and younger. Masks and social distancing were required.



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or can be joined by phone at 267-831-0333 meeting number 5263314753. These numbers will be the same for all meetings. Zoom is no longer available for Sunday worship. The service can be seen on Mountain Top Presbyterian Church Facebook

The church is also collecting diapers and sanitary products for Brandon's Forever Home. For more information see Elder Nancy Badal.

If you have any questions about the church or its ministries call 570-474-9951 or find them on Facebook: Presbyterian Church of Mountaintop PA.

### ST. JAMES **EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Services: 9 a.m. Sunday School: 10:15 a.m. Oliver Brown, Pastor 827 E. County Road, Wapwallopen 570-379-3878

Tentative date for the strawberry festival is June 19 at the carnival grounds.

The church will have a food stand at Mifflinville carnival if anyone would be able to help please contact Shelly or Eileen Smith, even if only for a couple hours. It is Friday, Saturday and Sunday; May 28, 29, 30.

Sunday School will not begin until September 2021.

Boy Scouts Pack 300 is looking for kids to join. There are two scouts still in attendance. but some former members who have completed Eagle Scouts would like to get the troop back on track. The meetings will begin shortly. Watch for Troop 300 on Facebook or call Gay at 570-262-2762.

Confirmation classes have

been postponed until further

If anyone utilizes the flower chart please note flowers have increased to \$25 this year.

### ST. JUDE **CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Services: Saturday 4 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 & 11 a.m. Father Joseph J. Evanko, Pastor 420 S. Mt. Blvd., Mountain Top 570-474-6315

St. Jude Church is open for private prayer from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday to Friday. The Parish office is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday to Thursday.

Daily Masses have resumed following the regular schedule: Monday to Friday, 7 a.m.

Weekend Masses have resumed with the normal Mass schedule. Registration is required for weekend Masses. Each Monday they will post the link for St. Jude parishioners to register for the coming

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weekend Mass. The link will be posted at www.stjc.org. Please refer to the website for all requirements. Any questions or difficulty with registration, call the Parish Office, 570-474-6315, ext. 221.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is Monday evenings from 5:30-7 p.m. in the St. Jude Adoration Chapel.

Students whose last name begins with A-L will be confirmed on Wednesday, April 21, at 5 p.m. Practice with candidate and sponsor will be held on Sunday, April 18, at 1 p.m. Students whose last name begins with M-Z will be confirmed on Thursday, April 22 at 5 p.m. Practice for candidate and sponsor will be held on Sunday, April 18, at 3 p.m.

St. Jude shrine is open to light a candle and say a prayer for one person at a time. This will be available the same times as the church private prayer hours, Monday thru Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. As always,

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please follow the safety protocols when entering any building; face masks, hand sanitizing and social distancing.

St. Jude Parish is not accepting food donations for the food bank at this time. All donations must be taken directly to the Food Bank located at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Route 309 in Mountain Top on Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon.

The parish office is open Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Parishioners are to enter through the front center doors of the church.

### 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

Updated guidelines for church: You may enter when the green welcome sign is displaced. You need to be mindful of protocols: sanitize your hands before entering and upon exiting; face coverings must be worn at all times;

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assigned seats are needed for weekend Masses; once seated you may not switch pews: if assigned a "wall" or "aisle" seat please sit at the end of the pew allowing distance for people at the other end of the pew; and requests for specific pews cannot be accepted.

Registration is required for weekend Masses. The link is posted on the church website and Facebook page, and emailed every Monday. Choose Saturday or Sunday then click that link.

Religious education: K-6 Stacey: 570-332-3801. It's not too late to register! This year, they are using a virtual (asynchronous) format using Flipgrid.com. For more information or instruction please contact your child's teacher or call Miss Stacey.

Visit Saint Mary's website: stmarydorrance.org; Face-

book Page: Saint Mary's of Dorrance and Saint Mary's of Dorrance Youth Group or call 570-868-5855 for more info. Parish office is open Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

### ST. PATRICK'S **CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Services: Saturday 5 p.m. Sunday: 10:15 a.m.

Rev. Peter O'Rourke, **Sacramental Minister** 411 Allegheny St., White Haven 570-443-9944

St. Patrick's Church welcomes all to visit and worship with them. Contact the parish office if you would like to become a member of the parish. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.

In-person faith formation classes will continue through the end of April. The one-hour classes will begin at 11 a.m. for the remainder of the year. All classes will be held in the

Parish Center. CDC guidelines including mask wearing, hand washing and social distancing will be observed. There will be a temperature check at the door. If your child is ill, please have him/her stay at home. For everyone's health and safety, they will admit children and catechists only.

Safety guidelines for attending mass: Face masks must be worn covering the nose, mouth and chin. The only time a face mask may be adjusted is when receiving Holy Communion. Pews are marked for social distancing. Please maintain a safe social distance of six feet from others in all directions. The only exception is for families who live in the same household. The distribution of Holy Communion will take place after the conclusion of Mass. At this time, communion received in the hand is preferred. Communicants will maintain social distancing in the communion line. After receiving commu-

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nion, the faithful will depart the church and proceed directly to their vehicles.

If you would like information about joining the Knights of Columbus, please contact Jim Curto at 570-443-8494.

### ST. PAUL'S **LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Services: Sunday 9 & 11 a.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Rev. Michelle Kaufman, Pastor 316 S. Mt. Blvd., Mountain Top 570-474-6616

Join them for worship at 9 and 11 a.m. for drive in services. Worshippers remain in their cars and tune in on the radio. For those unable to join them, Pastor has been recording services viewable on the church's Facebook page, and website www.stpaulsmttop.com.

Office hours in April are Wednesdays from 3-7 p.m. As always, you can call the church office and leave a message for any inquiries.

The next church council meeting will be April 18 at 6:30

Join them for movie night on Monday, April 19 at 6:30 p.m. They will view the Overcomer. All are welcome.

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 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

### ST. PAUL'S **LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Services: Sunday 9 a.m. Sunday School: 10 a.m. Janelle Rothrock, Pastor 418 Berwick St., White Haven 570-443-9424

The church is using Zoom so you will still be able to attend services. It is held on Sundays at 10 a.m.

If you are not able to join a computer, phone or ipad, you can call into the worship service. The number is 1-646-876-9923. Press the # sign after the prompt. The meeting room ID again is 557 531 789 and the password is 470085.

### ST. PAUL'S DRUMS **UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Services: Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School: 8 a.m. **Todd Glasmire, Pastor** 335 W. Butler Drive, Drums 570-788-3051

Pastor Todd and the congregation invite you to worship with them every Sunday at 9:30 a.m., and for Bible Study every Wednesday from 6-7 p.m.

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for after the pandemic. They have a great family of people but have plenty of room to grow.

# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WHITE HAVEN

Services: Sunday 11 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Bill Lester, Leader 305 Berwick Street, White Haven 570-443-7293

The congregation invites all to come and worship the Lord. If you are looking for a church home, they welcome you to come and worship with them every Sunday.

Al-Anon meets every Tuesday from 7-8 p.m. and Fire-

flies Youth Group meets Fridays from 6-8 p.m.

For more info on their group, check them out on Facebook at Fireflies Youth Ministry.

# WHITE HAVEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Services: Sunday 9 a.m. 3rd Saturday 5 p.m. Sunday School: 10:15 a.m. David Botzer, Pastor 900 Buffalo St., White Haven 570-443-7153

White Haven UMC welcomes everyone to worship with them. If you are in need of pastoral care, call Pastor Dave at 570-443-7153 or e-mail him at dbotzer@hotmail.com.

### St. Paul's Preschool enjoys egg hunt

Thanks to the parents and teachers of St. Paul's Lutheran Church Preschool the children were able to hunt for about 800 eggs.



Ella is really enjoying the egg hunt.



Clinton is on the hunt for some of the over 800 eggs hidden at St. Paul's.



Alden, a student at St. Paul's Lutheran Church Preschool is looking for eggs.

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Seventh Grade: John Ferry,

Drums; Ruth Huey, Drums; Sharan Parikh, Mountain Top; Rishi Patel, Drums; Caleb Skuba, Drums; Arushi Solgama, Mountain Top; and Georgia Washko, Drums.

Eighth Grade: Aspen Crilley, Mountain Top; Thomas Horvat, Drums; Danica Karlick, Drums; Aubryannah O'Boyle, Mountain Top; Scott O'Boyle, Mountain Top; Kiyan Paknezhad, Mountain Top; Evan Pedri, Drums; and Mia-Lyn van den Berg, Mountain Top.

Ninth Grade: Emily Borchick, Drums; Brendon Brobst, Drums; Bria Kringe, Drums; Caitlin Lenahan, Mountain Top; Ethan Lloyd, Drums; Robert Orbin, Mountain Top; Kasra Paknezhad, Mountain Top; Kathryn Sissick, Drums; Nathan Sissick, Drums; Connor Strecker, Mountain Top; and Heath Williams, Mountain Top.

10th Grade: Khristian Banks, Mountain Top; Annabel Dobash,

Mountain Top; Anden Karlick, Drums; Erica Kline, Mountain Top; Manal Muhammad, Mountain Top; Caden Pease, Drums; Kasia Svendson, Drums; and Lucille van den Berg, Mountain

11th Grade: Andrew Blasko, Mountain Top; Lindsay Horvat, Drums; Amelia Minzola, Drums; Connor Spencer, Mountain Top; Althea Stewart, Drums; Morgan Strecker, Mountain Top; Kennedy

Tavaris, Mountain Top; and Grace Warner. Drums.

12th Grade: Alexis Dalesandro, Drums; McKenna Gallagher, Drums; James Kelly, Mountain Top; Dominique Kline, Mountain Top; Sydney Kohl, Mountain Top; Katherine Lewandowski, Mountain Top; Noah Long, Mountain Top; Hiba Muhammad, Mountain Top; Ethan Stine, Mountain Top; Millie Symbula, Drums; and Colin Williams, Mountain Top.

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