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Fishing derby at American Legion brings lots of kids to the great outdoors

The American Legion Post 781 held its annual children's fishing derby on Saturday, April 24 at the legion pond.

The fun event began at 10 a.m. with the children participating in the release of 300 plus trout from Sand Spring Trout.

This year over 55 children who were pre-registered came to fish and each received prizes plus free hot dogs and refreshments.

Everything purchased for the event was obtained through the efforts of the Sons of the American Legion.

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Harper Rae Button, 2 stands with her dad, Ed, as he holds the first fish she ever caught. She was just so excited as the fish was being reeled in.

Twins, Hunter and Kellyann Venesky, 8, release a bucket of trout into the American Legion pond. Hunter says that he is four minutes older than his sister, making him the big brother.

Onlookers gather as a bucket of trout is released.

Teagan Nardone, 6 fishes for what he hopes will be the big one.

Allie Davis gets some help from her Pop Pop, Glenn Davis, to dump a bucket of trout into the water.

Karly Welgosh, 5 has a great time fishing at the American Legion pond.

Six-year-old Sean Deiter, Jr. heads down to the Legion pond to get ready for the trout to arrive and to start fishing.

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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.

ONGOING

JR. COMETS REGISTRATION

Mountaintop Jr. Comets football and cheer organization is conducting registration for the upcoming 2021 season. Registrations can be completed online at mtjuniorcomets.com. After completing the registration, fill out the forms located under the registration forms tab. If you have any questions, please contact mtjuniorcomets@gmail.com, call Tom at 570-926-7263, or find them on Facebook at Mountain Top Jr. Comets.

EVERY SUNDAY

SPIRITUAL YOGA

Join Stairville United Methodist Church, 1790 Stairville Road in Mountain Top 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, the class is outdoors but there is room to move inside if needed.

You are required to wear a mask and bring your own yoga mat. You will be spaced 6 feet apart and during 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 welcome.

MAY 1

LITTLE LEAGUE OPENING DAY

Mountain Top Area Little League will hold its opening day ceremony at 6:30 p.m. at the baseball complex on Alberdeen Road on **Saturday, May 1**.

Matt Wotherspoon, a former league player who made the Major Leagues, will throw out the first pitch and briefly speak to the players. The 1981 district champion team will also be honored.

There will be four food trucks there throughout the day and evening beginning at 11 a.m. The games will start at 10 a.m. and conclude with a 7:05 p.m. game.

Fireworks to follow the game sponsored by Cavanaugh's Grille. The fireworks are limited to league players and their families due to limited parking capacity at the complex. It will be a mask required event due to the expected crowd and social distancing and mask requirements will be in place.

MAY 2

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.

COUNTRY BREAKFAST BUFFET

Hobbie Volunteer Fire and Ambulance, 655 E. County Road, Wapwallopen will hold its country breakfast buffet on **Sunday, May 2** from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Take outs are available and encouraged, there will be lim-

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Week of May 3

Monday: Italian hoagie or pulled pork barbecue on a roll, assorted vegetables,and fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

Tuesday: PBJ uncrustable or homemade macaroni and cheese, assorted vegetables and 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 and fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

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

Friday: Turkey bacon club sandwich with cheese or cheeseburger on a roll, assorted vegetables and fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

Week of May 10

Monday: Ham and American cheese on club roll or popcorn chicken with Rold Gold pretzels, assorted vegetables and fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

Tuesday: Ham and cheese sandwich or buffalo chicken and cheese on a soft shell tortilla, assorted vegetables and fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

Wednesday: Turkey bacon club sandwich with cheese or sausage, egg and cheese on a croissant, assorted vegetables and fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

Thursday: Italian hoagie with cheese or walking taco with beef served with baked Doritos and roll, assorted vegetables and fruit, 100% fruit juice, low fat milk

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ited seating available. Hours of the breakfast have been extended to accommodate the need for social distancing. Masks are required when not consuming food.

The menu includes eggs, pancakes, French toast, ham, sausage, bacon, home fries, donuts, coffee & juice.

Cost for adults is $8, kids 6-12 are $4 and children 5 and under are free.

MAY 3-8

WRIGHT TOWNSHIP SPRING CLEAN UP

Wright Township's annual

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SUNDAY: STEAK NIGHT 8 oz. filet with two sides
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spring clean up will be held the week of **May 3-8**. Township employees will pick up large items at residences for a fee on May 3 and 4. Dumpsters will be available behind the municipal building to deposit items on Wednesday, May 5 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Thursday and Friday, May 6 through 7 from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturday, May 8 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

There is a fee of $10 for each large item such as couches, mattresses, grills, lawn tractors, etc.

No construction materials, paint cans, automotive parts, propane tanks or hazardous materials will be accepted. No electronic items will be accepted. Wright Township will hold a separate electronics recycling event on Saturday, August 7.

Residents can bring items to the dumpsters at the rear of the municipal building May 5-8. No items will be accepted without pre-paid permits. Permits must be obtained in advance from the supervisor's office.

Drop off permit fee schedule:

$5 for cars each visit; $10 for pickups and/or trailers each visit; $25 commercial trucks each visit.

Additional drop off fees: $20 for each refrigerator, freezer, dehumidifier, or air conditioner; $10 for each washer, dryer, dishwasher, stove or water heater; $2 for each car tire, all tires must be off rims; $4 for each 16" tire, all tires must be off rims; $8 for each 16.5" tire, all tires must be off rims; $2 for motorcycle tires. No one will be allowed to deposit items unless they have a permit.

This annual clean up is for Wright Township residents only. Proof of residency required. Allowable items: microwave, vacuum, sofa, chair, grill (no propane tanks), lawn mower, treadmill, drywall, patio door, fiberglass.

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MAY 4

AL AUXILIARY MEETING

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold its regular meeting on **May 4** at 7 p.m. at the legion home. All are welcome, bring a friend. The elections will be held after the regular meeting. They are still looking for a secretary and someone for publicity, anyone interested in any of these positions is asked to contact Judy at jujub1949@gmail.com.

MAY 9

CHICKEN BBQ

Slocum Township Fire Company will be holding its annual spring chicken barbecue on **May 9**. Dinners will be $10 including chicken, vegetable, a homemade side and a dinner roll. Take outs only. Preorders required by May 3. Message them on Facebook or text or call them at 570-392-3531.

MAY 11

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION MEETING

Sons of the American Legion Mountain Post 781 will hold its regular meeting on **Tuesday, May 11** at 6 p.m. at the Post Home.

Nomination of officers will be held. To be nominated a member must be paid for the current year, must be pres-

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Crestwood scoreboard dedicated in memory of John Matthew Dean as baseball is welcomed back

The Crestwood School District dedicated a new scoreboard and welcomed baseball back to the secondary campus on April 23 prior to its boys baseball game against Wyoming Valley West.

The scoreboard was dedicated in memory of the late John Matthew Dean who passed way in 1998 at age four and one-half after a courageous battle with brain cancer. Dean was the son of John and Lisa Dean of Glen Summit.

"Mountain Top has been so good to us, we wanted to give something back to the community," said John Dean, who is the school district's solicitor. "When Crestwood brought baseball back to the secondary campus, we decided to donate the scoreboard in our son's memory," he added. The Deans' younger son, Matthew, a senior at Crestwood, is one of the captains of this year's Comets. He plays third base and pitches.

The boys baseball team resumed playing at the field on the secondary campus this year after playing at the American Legion field in Rice Township for the last 10 years. Four members of the district's board of education, Barry Boone, president; Anna Bibla, Lauren McCurdy and Randy Swank, threw out ceremonial first pitches prior to the game.

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Participating in the ribbon cutting at the dedication of the John Matthew Dean scoreboard are, from left, Judge Richard Hughes, Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas, Emilee Detweiler, Alicia Detweiler, Aimee Detweiler, Noah Dean, Matthew Dean, Lisa Dean, Jack Dean, Debbie Harenza, Judge Joseph Sklarosky, Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas.

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MAY 14
SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

The American Legion Auxiliary has a $500 scholarship available for any senior girl that is the daughter, granddaughter, great granddaughter or sister of a veteran who served or is serving our country. Interested girls should contact the Crestwood High School counselor for an application. Judging will take place on **May 14**.

MAY 16
CHS CLASS OF 1970 REUNION MEETING

The Crestwood High School Class of 1970 will hold its next meeting on **Sunday, May 16** from 1-3 p.m. at the Wright Township Park pavilion. All classmates are urged to attend to finalize the events for the 50th reunion to be held September 11. The reunion, originally set for October 16 & 17, 2020, was rescheduled because of the pandemic.

MAY 22
CRAFT SALE & FLEA MARKET

Stairville United Methodist Church is holding its annual indoor and outdoor craft sale and flea market on **Saturday, May 22** from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

All spaces are $10 each and outdoor vendors must supply their own tables. Crafts from local artisans as well as many items such as household, holiday, jewelry and other goods will be for sale. As always, there will be great food from the kitchen and a bake sale too!

To reserve your space call Christine at 570-868-3413 or Jean at 570-868-8346.

Stairville UMC is located at 1790 Stairville Road, Wapwallopen. Masks and social distancing required.

MAY 28
GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Crestwood Alumni golf tournament will be held on Friday, **May 28** at Blue Ridge Trail Golf Club in Mountain Top. Proceeds benefit the Crestwood golf team.

The tournament will be a captain and crew format. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Beer and food following golf.

Email or call with questions: Megan.kennedy@verizon.net or 570-954-2296. Cost is $100 per adult and $50 for a high school/college student.

Send team captain's name, address, phone and email along with other 3 players names and a check payable to Crestwood Golf Booster Club and send to Megan Kennedy, 431 Black Walnut Drive, Mountain Top, PA 18707.

Registration deadline is May 21.

JUNE 4
GOLF TOURNEY

The Kiwanis Club of Mountain Top is hosting a golf tournament on **Friday, June 4** at Mountain Laurel Golf Club in White Haven. It is a captain and crew format with registration beginning at 11 a.m. Beer and lunch will be available. Shotgun start at 1 p.m. A sit down dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m.

The cost is $100 per golfer, $400 per team. Entry deadline is June 2. Make check payable to Kiwanis Club of Mountaintop and mail to 114 Wildflower Drive, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702. You may also pay by using PayPal. There will also be skill contests and cheer and lottery raffles.

The tournament supports children's programs and need throughout the Mountain Top community.

JUNE 5
CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Slocum Township Fire Company will be hosting a cornhole tournament on **June 5**, rain date June 6 starting at 11 a.m. Team registration $50, individual $25. Ticket price includes the day of games and chicken barbecue. Preregistration required by May 28 to Slocum Township Fire Company Facebook page or by texting or calling 570-392-3531.

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Dormant development could see new life

A Mountain Top housing development that has sat idle for more than a decade after the construction of just a handful of homes may soon get a new owner, and with that new life.

Tuskes Homes of Bethlehem is negotiating the purchase of The Sanctuary in Wright Township from W-Cat, Inc. with plans to build 72 homes on the parcel located along Church Road.

Michael Tuskes, vice president of Tuskes Homes, said his company needs to get approvals from local and state agencies before the sale is finalized and construction begins. Meanwhile, Tuskes, as equitable owner, is advertising for the sale of new homes in the long-dormant development which will be called HillCrest Estates at Mountain Top.

W-Cat Inc. bought the 37-acre property in 2002 from Bishop James C. Timlin as trustee for St. Jude's Church. In November 2004, the Wright Township planning commission granted W-Cat preliminary approval to construct the 86-townhouse development. While roads and utilities were installed, only seven units were built and just two sold.

The first step to revitalizing the development, Tuskes said, is for the builder to present revised development plans to the Wright Township planning commission. He is hopeful the project can get on the planning commission's agenda with-

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Above: **Townhomes which are already built at the location on Church Road in Mountain Top.** ***At right:*** **A sign from Tuskes Homes that is planning to add more homes to the development.**

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in the next two months. He noted the roads, curbs, water, and sewer lines are in place, though the stormwater management system will have to be updated to meet current standards. The state Department of Environmental Protection also will have to give its approval before work can begin.

Tuskes said the company's plans call for construction of a mix of townhouses, small and large single-family homes. He estimated the cost of townhomes will be in the high $200,000 range; smaller single-family homes anywhere from $350,000 to $400,000; and larger single-family homes (3,200 square-feet) at approximately $500,000. He emphasized that skyrocketing costs of building materials make it difficult to accurately predict cost of new construction. At best, Tuskes said, it would be six to eight months before construction of homes could begin.

Tuskes said he could not disclose the purchase price. "There still are a lot of moving parts," he said of negotiations.

Local realtor David Hourigan is excited about the prospects of renewed development of the property. "The new ownership will bring renewed interest in the development," said Hourigan, broker/owner of Century 21 Smith-Hourigan Group. The veteran realtor pointed out the housing market in the Mountain Top area is very short on inventory and the demand is strong. "Adding new homes will help offset the short supply of homes and meet the needs of people seeking a home in our great community," Hourigan predicted. "I wish Tuskes Homes well with their venture."

Wright Township supervisor Matthew Howton said he is happy the property that has been dormant for so long is finally moving forward. "I'm happy that in this atmosphere we're getting this positive news," the board chairman commented.

A third-generation home builder, Tuskes Homes has been building homes in the Lehigh Valley and Poconos for more than 50 years. Locally, Tuskes has built more than 500 units at the Sand Springs Golf Course. It also developed Golden Oaks Village, a 55-plus community along Route 940 in White Haven.

W-Cat Inc., originally was formed by disgraced attorney Robert Powell and Jill Moran,

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a former Luzerne County prothonotary and a partner with Powell at his law firm. Powell resides in Florida and completed an 18-month prison sentence for failing to report a $2.8 million kickback scheme involving former Luzerne County Judges Michael Conahan and Mark Ciavarella and two juvenile detention centers Powell co-owned.

Wright Township addressing noise complaints

Wright Township officials assured Fairview Township residents they are addressing noise complaints emanating from the Crestwood Industrial Park.

A contingent of Fairview Township residents attended the April 6 meeting of Fairview Township supervisors to ask for help with a loud noise from a plant in the industrial park that is keeping them awake at night. The supervisor promised to contact Wright Township officials about the problem since the park is in that municipality.

Wright Township supervisor Donald Zampetti, liaison to the zoning office, reported at the April 12 board meeting that he contacted zoning officer Tim Dow about the issue. Zampetti said the zoning officer determined the source of the noise to be Berry Plastics located on Elmwood Avenue. Township secretary/treasurer Pam Heard reported Dow went to the plant earlier in the day and spoke to

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the plant manager about the noise complaints.

Gene Vivaldi, spokesman for neighbors in the Bow Creek development, which is affected by the noise, asked supervisors who neighbors could contact when the noise is at its worst during early morning hours. Board chairman Matthew Howton told Vivaldi he would provide him with his contact information.

In other news ...

Howton reported the township has put its new leaf collection truck in service. He emphasized only leaves will be collected and must be raked to the edge of the roadway. "It's just for leaves, not shrubs, grass or sticks," Howton emphasized. He said residents can contact the township office to have leaves collected. He pointed out residents can bring other yard waste to the Mountain Top COG compost site in the industrial park. Supervisors passed a motion setting the cost of COG permits for township residents at $10 and free for residents 65 and over.

Supervisors approved a background check policy that applies to employees and volunteers who have direct contact with children.

They also authorized Heard to advertise an amendment to the stormwater ordinance to increase permit fees. Supervisors explained engineering review of permit applications cost the township as much as $800 while the current fee schedule is $50 to $100.

The fate of annual July 4 parade remains up in the air

Despite an admonition last month from Wright Township supervisors to come to a compromise or face the possibility there will not be a parade, representatives of Mountain Top Area Community Association (MACA) and Mountain Top on the Move (MTOM) told supervisors at their April 12 meeting that they have not reached an agreement.

As it turned out, neither could township supervisors.

Tracy Cornelius, president of MACA, told supervisors during their work session that her organization sent a proposal to MTOM president Dianne Hopersberger offering to alternate years sponsoring the parade with MTOM being the sponsor in 2021 and MACA next year. Cornelius said she received a counterproposal that had nothing to do with the parade but focused on a post-parade festival.

Asked by supervisor Matthew Howton if MTOM would accept the proposal to alternate years, Hopersberger's response was an unequivocal "no."

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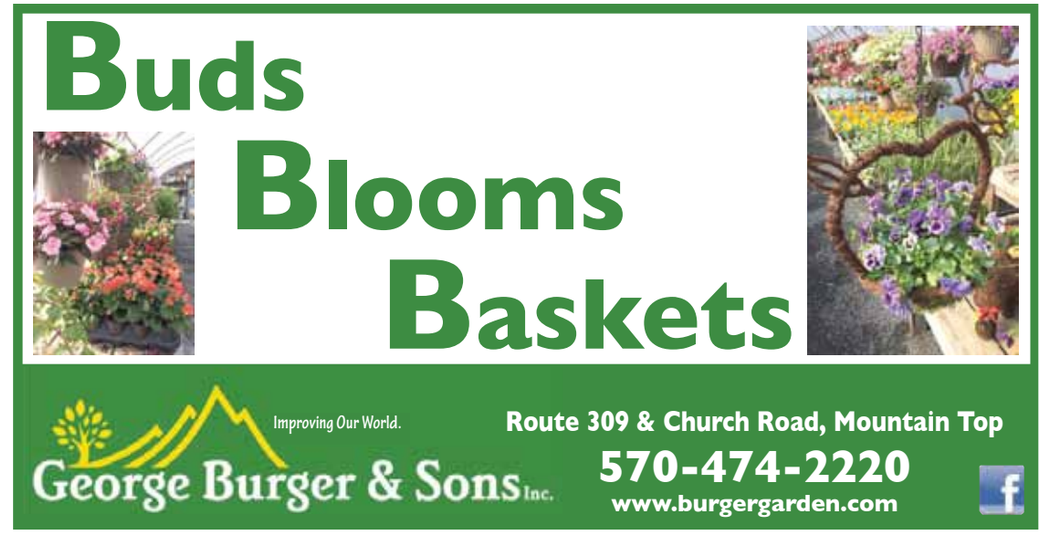

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"It's financially not feasible (for MTOM)," the organization president stated. "We would lose funding and sponsors," she explained. "After 35 years, it's inconceivable to think of another organization doing it," Hopersberger said of the idea of alternating years with MACA. "Our fundraising would be crippled."

During the board's regular meeting, Cornelius told supervisors her group feels alternating years would be a good idea.

When it was apparent a compromise between the groups could not be reached, Howton made a motion to approve MTOM's application to hold the parade this year and for MACA to sponsor the event in 2022, alternating years. Essentially, it was the proposal made by MACA. The motion, seconded by supervisor Colleen Macko, failed on a 2-2 tie vote. Howton and Macko voted in favor while supervisors Louis Welebob Jr. and Donald Zampetti voted no. Supervisor Mike Marshall was absent.

"There's no decision," a frustrated Howton said after the vote.

Another July 4 Mountain Top tradition, the Wright Township fireworks display, also is still up in the air. The board chairman said he contacted ZY Pyrotechnics, Schaefer Pyrotechnics and Zambelli Fireworks for prices to put on the annual display. He said Zambelli declined to bid while he has not heard back from ZY Pyrotechnics and Schaefer Pyrotechnics.

Pennsy Supply wants to expand hours

Pennsy Supply has asked Dorrance Township supervisors for permission to expand hours of operation at its quarry on Small Mountain Road, a request that has caused concern among township officials.

Supervisors received a letter from Paul Yankanich, Pennsy Supply operations manager, who told them that a significant increase in commercial construction in the Hazleton area has resulted in what he described as a "fortunate increase in business." To meet the demand, Yankanich said the company would like permission to expand its hours of operation to 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday. The quarry currently operates from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. The company also wants to temporarily bring in a small portable crusher to be used near the working face of its mining operation to help meet the demand for materials.

At their April meeting, supervisors tabled vote on the request until they can get information on the anticipated decibel level of the noise from the additional crusher and the length of time for which the company wants to extend its hours of operation. Supervisors did agree that 9 p.m. is too late for operation of the quarry.

The hours of operation of the quarry were set by supervisors and a memorandum of zoning conditions with the approved hours and maintenance agreements was recorded at the Luzerne County Courthouse at the time of approval in 2013.

In other news ...

Supervisors voted to apply for a highway occupancy permit (HOP) from PennDOT for the Liberty Travel Plaza, Blue Ridge Trail project. The agent is Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. Supervisors said all required agreements have been completed and signed and the bond issued.

Supervisors approved a request from Joe Stachokus, project engineer, to begin work on the project which has been delayed nearly a year awaiting PennDOT approval. The engineer assured supervisors that any risk in beginning construction is on the property owner contingent on the receipt of the HOP which they anticipate will be approved.

Wright Township approves insurance package

Wright Township supervisors at their April meeting approved an insurance package proposed by DGK Insurance that will save the township $21,213 compared to the current policies that expire at the end of the month.

The bulk of the savings, $15,570, will come from combining the township employees and the volunteer fire department workman's compensation insurance into one policy. DGK representative Jeff Kyle explained that until recently, insurance carriers were reluctant to provide workman's compensation coverage for fire departments due to requirements of the Cancer Presumption Act, forcing municipalities to obtain coverage through the state's program.

Kyle had more good news for supervisors. He reported the township will receive a $17,958.79 dividend from the firm' workman's compensation insurance consortium.

Dorrance holding spring clean up

Dorrance Township will hold its annual spring cleanup on Saturday, May 1, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. behind the municipal garage. The cleanup will be limited to township residents and proof of residency will be required. Fees will be $15 for carload; $20 for small pickup trucks and pull behind trailer loads; $50 for trucks over three-quarter ton. There will be additional fees for batteries, white appliances, and tires. Freon must be removed from

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Cavanaugh's Grille to host party featuring race cars and drivers

Cavanaugh's Grille is getting an early start to the summer season with a parking lot party that will bring the feel and excitement of stock car racing to Mountain Top.

Jim Foley, Cavanaugh's genial proprietor, has teamed with local stock car racer Marc Aigeldinger and fellow racers from nearby Evergreen Raceway for a parking lot party on Saturday, May 1. The party will be held from noon to 7 p.m. at Cavanaugh's, 163 N. Main Street, Mountain Top. It will feature live music and the opportunity to get an up-close look at several stock cars and meet their drivers. Guests also will get the chance to dine and drink at Cavanaugh's fabulous new outdoor bar and patio.

Aigeldinger races at Evergreen's one-third mile oval in nearby Drums. His sponsors for this year's racing season include Cavanaugh's Grille, Pat Curley Detective Agency, Two Jacks Cycle and Powersports, Michael Mootz Candies, and Herron Electric.

Marc Aigeldinger poses with his #12 stock car that he races at Evergreen Raceway in Drums.

The 29-year-old Mountain Top native started racing on dirt tracks in San Diego in 2014 while he was serving in the Navy. He's getting back into racing after being discharged from the Navy in 2018. He said he inherited his love of racing from his dad, Eric Aigeldinger, who was track champion in1981.

"I am excited to finally get back behind the wheel and just go have fun on the weekends with my family and friends," said Aigeldinger who works for the Reading and Northern Railroad. "I'm looking forward to everyone coming to Cavanaugh's on May 1 to check out all the other race cars and to see what Evergreen Raceway has to offer. There is definitely going to be a lot of new faces being introduced to this sport that not many people knew a race track existed right down the road. That's the part I'm excited about most," he added.

Evergreen Raceway is located at 183 Mill Mountain Road, Drums and hosts racing for several classes of race cars.

"We wanted to support Marc and his fellow racers and give the people in Mountain Top a chance to see the race cars up close," Foley related.

Foley noted that seating on the patio will be available and guests are welcome to bring chairs to set up in the parking lot. Live music will begin at 12:30 p.m. featuring Kartune followed by Wells River Band from 4 to 7. Tickets are on sale at Cavanaugh's. Cost is $45 per person/$80 a couple and $10 for children which includes food, domestic beer, and house wines.

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Wright Township sets spring clean up

Wright Township's annual spring clean up will be held the week of **May 3-8**. Township employees will pick up large items at residences for a fee on May 3 and 4. Dumpsters will be available behind the municipal building to deposit items on Wednesday, May 5 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Thursday and Friday, May 6 through 7 from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturday, May 8 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

There is a fee of $10 for each large item such as couches, mattresses, grills, lawn tractors, etc.

No construction materials, paint cans, automotive parts, propane tanks or hazardous materials will be accepted. No electronic items will be accepted. Wright Township will hold a separate electronics recycling event on Saturday, August 7.

Residents can bring items to the dumpsters at the rear of the municipal building May 5-8. No items will be accepted without pre-paid permits. Permits must be obtained in advance from the supervisor's office.

Drop off permit fee schedule: $5 for cars each visit; $10 for pickups and/or trailers each visit; $25 commercial trucks each visit.

Additional drop off fees: $20 for each refrigerator, freezer, dehumidifier, or air conditioner; $10 for each washer, dryer, dishwasher, stove or water heater; $2 for each car tire, all tires must be off rims; $4 for each 16" tire, all tires must be off rims; $8 for each 16.5" tire, all tires must be off rims; $2 for motorcycle tires. No one will be allowed to deposit items unless they have a permit.

This annual clean up is for Wright Township residents only. Proof of residency required. Allowable items: microwave, vacuum, sofa, chair, grill (no propane tanks), lawn mower, treadmill, drywall, patio door, fiberglass.

WTVFD will be site of public hearing

Wright Township zoning hearing board will hold a public hearing May 3 at 6 p.m. at the Wright Township Volunteer Fire Hall to deal with the more than four-year-old controversy over the operation of a dirt bike track in a rural area of the township. The hearing was scheduled for March 4 at the municipal building, but was postponed to find a larger venue.

Mullery lauds $1.4M in grant funding

State Rep. Gerald Mullery, D-Luzerne, announced over $1.43 million in state funding has been awarded for several infrastructure and rehabilitation projects in the 119th Legislative District.

Wright Township will receive $685,984 to widen Park Road, a heavily traveled roadway, and create a new bike lane, add curbs and a sidewalk, make stormwater improvements, remove trees and resurface the road and install pavement markings.

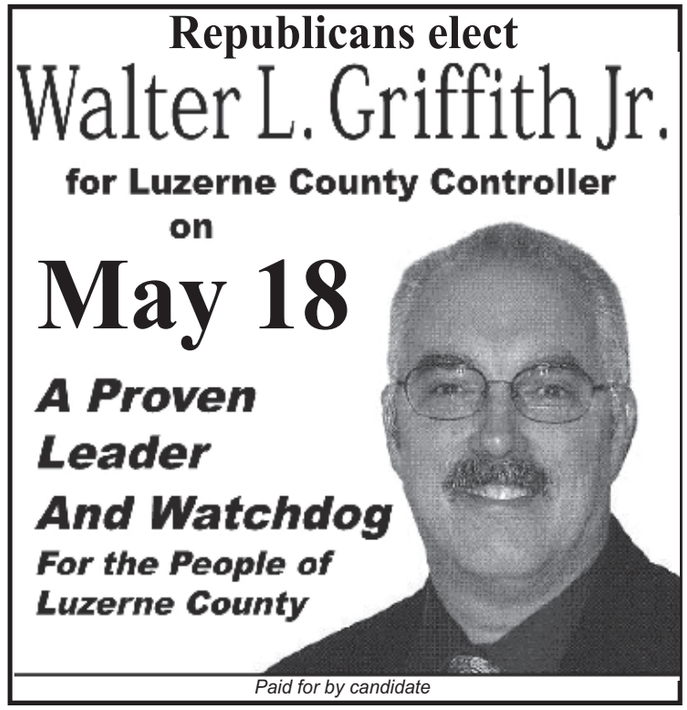
Mullery urges county tourism and visitor's bureau relocation to White Haven

Following media reports recently of Luzerne County Council considering relocation of the county tourism and visitors' bureau to Wilkes-Barre city's yet developed Central Railroad Station, state Rep. Gerald Mullery, D-Luzerne, sent the council members a letter recommending the White Haven Community Library & Visitor Center as an alternate option.

Mullery noted the White Haven property, originally constructed in 1889 as an engine repair shop for the former Lehigh Valley Railroad, has been deemed eligible for inclusion in the National Registry of Historic Buildings and has been dramatically transformed into a viable multi-purpose library and heritage visitor center.

Mullery cited commonwealth data indicating nearly 1 million people visited Hickory Run, Lehigh Gorge, and Nescopeck State Parks over the past two years and said White Haven Borough is considered the entrance community for all three parks.

Mullery is asking the Luzerne County Council to give the option their full consideration and is also inviting them for an on-site visit to see the facility.



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Otero earns Eagle Scout rank

Joseph Otero stands behind the bench he built as his Eagle Scout project.

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Otero started with Boy Scouts at the age of five as a Lion. He hopes to continue helping other scouts in his troop do the same.

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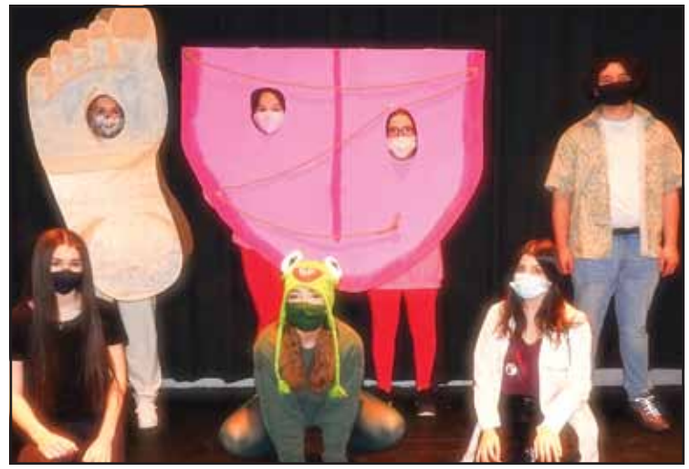
Two Crestwood Odyssey of the Mind teams win awards at state competition

On April 21, two Crestwood Odyssey of the Mind (OotM) teams received awards at the virtual PA state competition ceremony.

Rice Elementary Technical team competing in Problem #2, Division 1 earned first place. The Crestwood Secondary Campus Vehicle team Problem #1, Division 3 received the coveted Ranatra Fusca creativity award. This is the second time the team has won the Ranatra Fusca award.

Both teams will compete in the World Finals competition against teams from other states as well as teams from countries around the world.

OotM, is a creative problem-solving program involving students from kindergarten through college. Team members work together at length to solve a predefined long-term problem and present their solution to the problem at a competition. They must also participate in the spontaneous portion of the competition by generating solutions to a problem they have not seen before.



Crestwood Secondary Campus Problem #1, Division 3 team members.

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Rice Elementary Problem #2, Division 1 team members are Ainsley Durofchalk, Emily Fitch, Piper Kleban, Lilly Mead, Cameron Schwartz and Pauline Villafuerte. Coaches are Jesse and Melissa Schwartz.

Rice Elementary Problem #2, Division 1 team members.

Crestwood Secondary Campus Problem #1, Division 3 team members are Shannon Griffiths, Chris Hannon, Kaitlyn Leicht, Claire Lenio, Ruthie Mullisky, Olivia Richards and Nicole Zurawski. Coaches are Ed and Wendy Griffiths.

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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.

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

The Wapwallopen Ministerium Food Bank is housed at Emmanuel UCC and is open by appointment only. All contacts are kept strictly confidential.

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570-599-8123

The church is open for indoor services. 10 a.m.: Blended worship: music (contemporary and a hymn), encouraging corporate prayer, responsive reading, dynamic preaching, friendly and interactive, coffee, soda, tea, hot cocoa, water, snacks and more!

On Mondays and Tuesdays Faith Life Coaching and Counseling will take place. You can inquire by texting 570-599-8123, $40 for group, $60 for Individual sessions.

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

GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

Services: Saturday: 6 p.m.
Sunday: 8 & 9:30 a.m.
Rev. Michael J. Kloton, Pastor
Route 309, Drums
570-788-3141

Following the guidelines of Bishop Bambera, the churches of Good Shepherd and Immaculate Conception will continue to remain open for all masses. It is imperative that people wear masks, sanitize as they

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come in, and practice social distancing.

All weekend Masses at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Saturday at 6 p.m. and Sunday at 8 and 9:30 a.m. will be available over your car radio. They ask that you park in the lower lot, to the left of the church, and tune your car radio to FM 98.3. At the end of Mass, an Extraordinary Minister will come to the parking lot to distribute Holy Communion. If you bring your envelopes, those will also be collected.

Attention: Graduating seniors: The 2021 Women of Good Shepherd Scholarship applications are now being accepted. Visit the Good Shepherd website to download the application. The deadline for submission is Monday, May 24. Only completed applications that meet all requirements and are submitted on time will be considered.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, May 20, at 6 p.m. in the parish hall. They will work on a decoupage vase. Social distancing guidelines will be followed and masks will be worn. If you plan to attend, please call or text Cathy (570-436-5017) a week prior to the meeting so they know how many vases to purchase. Membership is open to all women of the parish and new members are always welcome!

MOUNTAINTOP FAMILY CHURCH

Services: Sunday 9 & 10:30 a.m.
Brian Knorr, Pastor
209 S. Mt. Blvd., Mountain Top
570-474-0900

Mountaintop Family Church is holding modified Sunday services at 9 and 10:30 a.m. for one hour. Currently, they have two KidsTown classrooms available: KinderTown for children ages 3-kindergarten, and UpTown for children in grades 1-6. 7th-12th grade students can join the adults in the sanctuary for worship and will then be taken to the Youth Room for their own youth service. KidsTown and youth services are available during both services. Students attending children's church and youth services are asked to wear masks and observe social 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 livestream: 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.

Please contact the church office at 570-474-0900 if you have any questions or would like more information.

MOUNTAINVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

Service: Sunday 11 a.m.
Brook Selby, Pastor
5126 N. Lehigh Gorge Dr., White Haven
570-580-0808

Join them on Zoom at 9:30 a.m. or in the building at 11 a.m. on Sundays for worship service. To view via Zoom contact Sarah Gardner for the link at 570-261-5064 or 410-703-6088. You can also view the services on the church's Facebook page.

There are a wide variety of small groups available to join in person, via conference call or on Zoom.

For more information, please contact Pastor Brook 570-580-0808 or check out the Involvement page on their webpage at www.mountainviewNEPA.org.

MT. ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Services: Sunday 9 a.m.
Pastors: Bob Thomas and Rev. Fran Fink
Lily Lake Road, Slocum

Come worship in a real country church. Built in 1891, Mt. Zion still has no running water and uses an outhouse for their rest room facilities.

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.

Rev. Fran Fink will lead the worship service on May 2.

National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 6. This annual day of observance is held the first Thursday of May when people are asked to turn to God in prayer and meditation. Since its inception in 1952 the president has signed a proclamation encouraging all Americans to pray on this day. Please take time to pray for the needs of our nation.

Pastor Lucy Obrzut will lead the Mother's Day service on May 9. All ladies in the congregation will receive a plant to celebrate their day.

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.

Stairville United Methodist Church is holding its annual

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indoor and outdoor craft sale and flea market on Saturday, May 22 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. All spaces are $10 each and outdoor vendors must supply their own tables. Crafts from local artisans as well as many items such as household, holiday, jewelry and other goods will be for sale. As always, there will be great food from the kitchen and a bake sale too! To reserve your space call Christine at 570-868-3413 or Jean at 570-868-8346.

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.

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 join them for in person worship services Sunday mornings 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. You can also join via Facebook Live on the NLCC homepage. Come grow with them as they study God's Word on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. in person or via Zoom. Please contact Pastor John for the link. For additional information, visit the church's website at nlcc-mountain-top.com. They are following CDC guidelines to ensure safety.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MOUNTAIN TOP

Services: Sunday 11 a.m.
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, May 2.

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.

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 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 page.

June 6 is Graduation Sunday!! Please send information on all graduates to the deacons or church office by May 30 so they can be honored during worship.

The church is also collecting

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Mountain Peaks/Norberta Kosin photo

Members of the clergy, Deacon Joseph Chmiola, Father Joe Evanko and Bishop Bambera enter the church for the first of two confirmation liturgies at St. Jude Church.

Sixty-two confirmed at St. Jude's and St. Mary's Confirmation litergy

In keeping with Covid-19 protocols, seating was limited for the combined confirmation liturgies for St. Jude and St. Mary's parishes. Two services were held, the first on April 21 and the second the following evening. The Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton officiated. Candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation were seated with their parents before the start of the ceremony.

The Sacrament of Confirmation is the third Sacrament of Initiation into the Catholic Church. Candidates are anointed with chrism or holy oil which symbolizes a cleansing and seals them with the Holy Spirit to make them stronger in their faith.

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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 notice.

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

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 weekend Mass. The link will be posted at www.stjc.org. 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.

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

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; 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.

Visit Saint Mary's website: stmarydorrance.org; Facebook 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
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St. Patrick's Church welcomes all to visit and worship with them. Contact the parish office if you would like to

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become a member of the parish. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.

Confession schedule: Saturday, 4 to 4:45 p.m.; Sunday, 9 to 9:45 a.m. You may also schedule an appointment.

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 communion, 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 through May 7 are Thursdays from 3-7 p.m. As always, you can call the church office and leave a message for any inquiries.

A Service of Remembrance: It has been over a year since the onset of Covid 19 and during that year we have lost numerous individuals to the virus. The church would like to gather and remember all those who have died as a result of this pandemic. On Sunday, May 2 they will hold a Service of Remembrance at 3 p.m. to gather as people of faith and remember those who have fallen victim to Covid 19. They urge you to invite your family and friends to submit names of loved ones and invite them to join the church for this Service of Remembrance. This is meant to be service that draws us together as a community. Please contact the church office and add the names of family and friends who you wish to be remembered.

Once again St. Paul's will be offering geraniums for Mother's Day. All proceeds will go to the Victim's Resource Center. Detailed forms will be in Sunday bulletins and are due by May 2. Geraniums will be displayed on Mother's Day. It's a great way to remember or honor the special women in your life!

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.

They are an active, praying congregation with great plans 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 Fireflies Youth Group meets Fridays from 6-8 p.m.

Sunday School is provided from September-June to children ages 4-12 during the worship service, after the Children's Moment. It takes place in the lower level of the church. They invite you downstairs in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, goodies, and fellowship after the service.

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

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Bike safety event hosted by Cub Scout Pack 63

Cub Scout Pack 63 held 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 was free and open to the public. Children ages 4-14 were invited to bring their helmets and bicycles and participate in a fun and educational day of activities that demonstrated bicycle safety.

There were guest speakers from PennDot, Butler Township police department and local custom bike builder Tony Cook.

As each child completed a station, they received a stamp on their event passport. After all stations were competed, everyone could enter to win a free bicycle.

Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photo

Michael and Sophia King are ready to make their way to all the stations set up at the event.

Saint Jude forensics teams place in diocesan-wide competition

Saint Jude junior varsity team members: Cali Glaser, Emily Conway and Gigi Grego.

Saint Jude varsity team members: Julia Dvorak, Michael Grandzol and Melody Josefowicz.

The Saint Jude forensics team had two teams place in the regional competition recently. At the junior varsity level Emily Conway, Gigi Grego and Cali Glaser placed third. The varsity team of Michael Grandzol, Melody Josefowicz and Julia Dvorak placed second. This allowed both teams to move on to the Diocesan-wide finals competition. The junior varsity team performed the piece, *Teacher's Aide* for the finals and captured first place for their amazing effort. The varsity team presented their piece, *Elevator Games* for their finals performance and took third place honors.

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Crestwood volleyball recognizes 2020-2021 senior players

The 2020-2021 Crestwood varsity senior players were recognized with a socially distanced special Senior Night held in the Middle School gym on October 13, 2020.

The team had one of the best seasons they had in several years, going 10-4 and progressing into the district semi-finals.

First time Head Coach Megan Johanssen shares her remarks about the seniors: "This was an unforgettable group of girls who really left their mark on Crestwood."

Sami Andes #44

Sami is the daughter of Ansel and Marcie Andes. Sami was selected as the 2020 Wyoming Valley Conference *Defensive Player of the Year*.

Outside of volleyball, she is a member of the National Honor Society and participates in jiu-jitsu and kickboxing.

Sami will continue her academic and volleyball career at Wilkes University, an NCAA Division III program, where she plans to earn a degree in Biochemistry.

Carly Bono, #13

Carly is the daughter of Consuelo Bono and Mark Gimber. Carly was selected as a member of the 2020 Wyoming Valley Conference All-Star team and previously was selected to the first team in 2019. Carly was recognized as the *Most Valuable Player* by the Crestwood coaching staff. Carly is also on the Electric City Academy Volleyball Club team and is a member of the National Honor Society.

Carly will continue her academic and athletic career playing volleyball at Albright College, an NCAA Division III program.

Ellie Glowacki #28

Ellie is the daughter of Jen Malinowski and Rob Glowacki. She was recognized as a 2020 Wyoming Valley Conference Volleyball Honorable Mention. Ellie also played for the Electric City Academy Volleyball Club team.

She is the president of the Interact Club, and is a member of the National and French Honor Societies.

Ellie will attend Syracuse University on an academic scholarship for Policy Studies and Communications. She plans to continue playing intramural/club volleyball in college.

Taylor Kline #15

Taylor is the daughter of Jacqueline and Eric Kline. Taylor was selected as the *Rookie of the Year* and *Tuna Fish* by the Crestwood coaching staff.

Outside of volleyball, Taylor is a member of the National Honor Society, Geography Club, and track and field.

After graduation, Taylor plans to attend Slippery Rock University to pursue a degree in Secondary Education.

Kelsey Kulak #21

Kelsey is the daughter of Laurie and Thom Kulak. Kelsey was selected as a 2020 Wyoming Valley Conference Honorable Mention and finished her volleyball career being fifth in the conference for blocking.

Outside of volleyball, Kelsey is a member of the Crestwood lacrosse and other lacrosse travel teams.

Kelsey's future plans are to pursue a career working with animals in the medical field and playing volleyball for fun.

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Troop 106 works toward automotive badge

Troop 106 scouts work towards their Automotive Maintenance Merit Badge which included such tasks as learning how to change a tire, check oil, and fluids, how to use different tools and the difference between gasoline and diesel engines.

Two cars were donated to the troop by Ayers Towing.

The troop also hiked to the top of Penobscot Mountain.

Scouts in attendance were Jackson Abrams, Allen Anderson, Luke Barley, Simon Basham, Jayden Gerda, Andy Grove, Ahmed Mbaye, Weston Medvetz, Bradley Myers, Dylan Minet, Jacob and Logan Price, Sean Rodgers and Johnny Watkins.

Scout leaders Christal Basham, Bob Barley and Scoutmaster Tony Rodgers and canine Remington Rodgers were also present.

Michael Crowell casts a spell as Harry Potter during Read Across America Week.

As Seraphina Fleegle, a.k.a Little Bo Peep, poses for a picture we are left wondering where are those sheep now?

Bringing stories to life at St. Jude's

Ever wonder what Fancy Nancy was really like? Wouldn't you just love to ask Harry Potter how it felt to go up against "He-Who-Must-Not-Be-Named"? Aren't you just dying to find out how long it really took for Little Bo Peep to find those naughty sheep? If you had recently been walking the halls of Saint Jude School you could have had your questions answered as these celebrities and many, many, more just like them made an appearance for Dress As A Book Character Day. From Splat the Cat to the egg from The Good Egg, from the crayons from The Day The Crayons Quit, to the Cat in the Hat, the students and teachers alike got into the spirit to share their favorite stories. After all the fun the school had for Read Across America week it was safe to say everyone was a bit sad to see it end.

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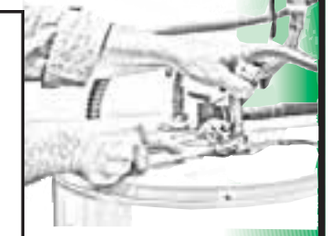

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Crestwood FBLA students earn top ten in FBLA state competition

Four Crestwood High School Future Business Leaders of America students earned top honors at the FBLA State Leadership Conference that was held virtually during the month of April.

Carter Laubach, junior, earned 1st place in Accounting II.

As a result of the state championship, Carter will be representing Pennsylvania to compete in the Accounting II event at the 2021 FBLA National Leadership Conference (NLC) that is being held virtually from June 29 to July 2, 2021. Carter is also involved in Junior Leadership of Wilkes-Barre's, National Business Honor Society, National Honor Society, and part of the Crestwood boys basketball team.

Shivani Patel, senior, earned 4th place in Business Law. As a result, Shivani will also be competing at the 2021 FBLA NLC in the summer. Shivani is also involved in National Business Honor Society, and plans to pursue a career in nursing following graduation.

Carter Laubach

Shivani Patel

Chloe Caplan

Liam Petty

Chloe Caplan, senior, earned 10th place in Spreadsheet Applications. This is the second year that Chloe placed in the top ten at the state level. Last year, she represented Pennsylvania at the NLC for Computer Applications. Chloe is also involved in National Business Honor Society, National Honor Society, Key Club and chorus. Following graduation, she will be attending Temple University to major in Computer Information Science and Technology.

Liam Petty, junior, earned 4th place in Business Calculations. As a result, Liam will also be competing at the 2021 FBLA NLC in the summer. Liam also participates in National Business Honor Society, National Honor Society, National French Honor Society, and the Crestwood Esports team.

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Over the last year the district made substantial improvements to both the boys baseball and girls softball fields. A new fence was erected around the baseball field by Byra Fencing. George Albright of Albright's Glen Summit Floral Company installed a new pitcher's mound. Stubbs Landscaping replaced the infield and installed new drainage. George Hayden Electric provided electric work for the new scoreboard.

The district also re-did the infield at the adjacent softball field.

At right: **School board members throwing out the ceremonial first pitches are, from left, Lauren McCurdy, Anna Bibla, Barry Boone and Randy Swank.**

Hourigan earns special Centurion® 21 award for being top-producing relentless sales professional

Century 21 Smith Hourigan Group announced recently that David P. Hourigan, a relentless real estate sales professional who serves the Mountain Top market, has earned the Centurion® 21 honor for being a top producing Centurion® award winner in the global Century 21 system for 21 or more years. In presenting the award, broker of record at Century 21 Smith Hourigan Group Kevin Smith highlighted Hourigan's ability to go 'above and beyond' by providing personalized, unique moments to consumers throughout the real estate experience.

David Hourigan

"David's sales production is a direct reflection on his mindset to always give 121%," said Smith. "David doesn't just complete real estate transactions, he creates memories and builds lifetime relationships with clients. David's entire focus is to deliver experiences and real estate outcomes that are tailored to his customers' personalized needs."

"I value and appreciate my clients and welcome the opportunity to make a dif-

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Drums author publishes children's book

In this kid's book a young earthworm goes on his first adventure above ground.

Willie the Earthworm, a new book by Jean (Hoffman) Fetchko, has been released by Dorrance Publishing Co., Inc.

In this delightful book for children, a young worm is excited to explore the world above ground. He quickly learns that some things are scary – like a robin looking for a snack or a boy seeking fishing bait – but some things are really fun – like a frog who invites him to frolic and play.

Jean (Hoffman) Fetchko was born and raised in the small town of Drums, Pennsylvania, where she continues to live today. As a child, she worked on local farms picking potatoes and she now enjoys tending her garden which is where she got the inspiration for Willie.

She spent three years in the Air Force, where she was the first female member of the judo team and met her husband. Later, she was the first female to work at her local post office.

She has one daughter and two granddaughters, Lauren and Jennifer, to whom she is affectionately known as "Chick-a-dee."

Willie the Earthworm is a 44-page paperback with a retail price of $23. The ISBN is 978-1-6491-3098-3. It was published by Dorrance Publishing Co., Inc of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

For more information, or to request a review copy, please go to the virtual pressroom at www.dorrancepressroom.com or the online bookstore at www.bookstore.dorrancepublishing.com.

Crestwood Boys Lacrosse

Crestwood boys lacrosse has advanced its record to 7-0 with an out-of-conference win (16-3) over visiting Lewisburg on April 17. Trey Zabroski led the Comets scoring with 9 goals and 5 assists followed by Nick Curry with 3 goals, Michael Zaleski with 2 goals and Noah Schultz and Brendan Dennis who had 1 goal each.

Lewisburg scoring came from Alex Koontz, Matt Spaulding and Collin Starr who each had one while Lewisburg goalkeeper Jimmy Bailey had an outstanding day with 18 saves.

"Once again we gained an edge from our Faceoff Specialist Jimmy Hawley who managed to earn us possessions today and allow our offense to go to work" commented Crestwood Head Coach Brian Zabroski. "Jimmy in combination with our strong wing play from Marcus Vieney, Ethan Stoltz and Noah Shultz have given us an edge and keep our opponents on their heels after faceoffs. Additionally our rotation of low defenders with Ryan Harding, Zach Antosh, Aidan Jardine and Jacob Zaleski have been key in preventing shots on our goalie".

Crestwood scoring: Trey Zabroski: 9 goals, 5 assists; Nick Curry: 3 goals, 2 assists; Michael Zaleski: 2 goals; Brendan Dennis: 1 goal, 3 assists; Noah Schultz: 1 goal; Chase Pugh: 3 assists.

Lewisburg scoring: Alex Koontz: 1 goal; Matt Spaulding: 1 goal; Collin Starr: 1 goal; Rowen Martin: 1 assist.

Goalkeeping: Dean Fey (Crestwood) 3 saves; Jimmy Bailey (Lewisburg) 18 saves.

April 26

Crestwood 18, Abington Heights 0

Crestwood scoring: Chandler O'Farrell 4 goals, 2 assists; Robert Knight: 3 goals, 1 assist; Trey Zabroski: 2 goals, 4 assists; Marcus Vieney: 2 goals, 1 assist; Noah Schultz: 2 goals; Nick Curry 1goal, 1 assist; Jimmy Hawley 1 goal, 1 assist; Michael Zaleski: 1 goal; Ryan Harding: 1goal; Brendan Dennis: 1goal; Chase Pugh: 1assist; Aidan Verdekal: 1assist; Frank Usavage: 1assist.

Goal keeping: Dean Fey (Crestwood) 1 save; Holdan Riff (Abington Heights) 12 saves.

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Happy Birthday

Daisy West celebrated her 13th birthday on April 12. She is the daughter of Tiffany and Jim West of White Haven, and has a sister Mandy. Daisy's grandparents are Pat and Charlie Timpko of Mount Carmel. Daisy is in the seventh grade and likes to play soccer and draw in her free time.

A&R announces coloring contest winners

A&R Building Supply Co. held its 46th annual Easter coloring contest in 2021.

The contest was started in 1975 by the Ayre family and has been held every year since.

Last year due to the pandemic the contest was held virtually. This year over 100 entries were received in the three age group categories, 0-4 years old, 5-7 years old and 8-10 years old. Prizes were awarded on Saturday April 10.

The winners are:

8-10 year old
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2nd place Rachel
3rd place Irelyn
5-7 year old
1st place Maddie
2nd place Luke
3rd place Jackson
0-4 year old
1st place Katena
2nd place Vera
3rd Place Landon

Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to all the participants, parents, grandparents, and teachers who make this possible.

Crestwood announces results from Science Olympiad

Crestwood High School recently announced team results from the Science Olympiad competition held on Wednesday, March 17 during the school day.

Team members are Samatha Beers, 12th grade; Alexandra Lipinski, 12th grade; Olivia Richard, 11th grade; Morgan Bauch, 10th grade; Emma Gydish, 10th grade and Madison Jolie, 10th grade.

Results:

Water Quality: (3rd) Alex Lipinski, bronze medalist; Ornithology: (5th) Alex Lipinski; Forensics: (5th) Samatha Beers and Morgan Bauch; Anatomy and Physiology: (9th)Samatha Beers and Alex Lipinski; Protein Modeling (13th) Emma Gydish and Madison Jolie; Disease Detective (14) Olivia Richard; Dynamic Planet (15) Morgan Bauch and Samantha Beers; Designer Genes (18) Olivia Richards and Chem Lab (18) Alex Lipinski.

Alex Lipinski shows off her Bronze medal.

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Kirby Library celebrates Earth Day

The Kirby Library held a clean-up day to celebrate Earth Day on a chilly and damp Saturday, April 17.

Even though the official Earth Day was on Thursday, April 22 the Library chose to hold the clean-up day on April 17 from 10 a.m. to noon to get more people interested in coming out since it was a weekend.

The turnout was great with at least 23 people at any time from children to adults. The clean-up crews collected garbage, recyclables, rotted metal, tires and much more around the property and nature trail.

Everyone wore gloves, masks and kept social distanced.

Above: **Andy Fedor collects a tire and some old metal.** ***At right:*** **Calla O'Neill, 3 finds a plastic bottle to put into a recycle bag her mom has.**

Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photos

Slocum Township Fire Company holds annual take-out fish supper

Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photo

Volunteer Donny Burd prepares a dinner for a customer waiting in the hall.

Slocum Township Fire Company held its annual take-out fish supper on Friday, March 26 from 3 to 7 p.m. Dinners cost $10 and included an entrée choice of fried fish or chicken tenders, potato choices of baked potato or French fries, a vegetable, and a dinner roll. Extra pieces were available for an additional cost. The event sold well over 200 dinners.

Hourigan ...

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MMI's Zheng captures first place at FBLA State Leadership Conference

MMI Preparatory School sophomore Jessica Zheng captured first place at the virtual Pennsylvania Fu-ture Business Leaders of America (FBLA) State Leadership Conference and will represent MMI at the National Leadership Conference, while sophomore Manal Muhammad and junior Rachael Betz both finished in the top 10. Pictured are, from left: advisor Katherine Zucco, Rachael Betz, Manal Muhammad, and Jessica Zheng.

MMI Preparatory School sophomore Jessica Zheng captured first place at the virtual Pennsylvania Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) State Leadership Conference and will represent MMI at the National Leadership Conference, while sophomore Manal Muhammad and junior Rachael Betz both finished in the top 10.

Zheng placed first in the Intro to Business Presentation event, Muhammad was eighth in the Intro to Social Media Strategy event and Betz finished 10th in the Journalism event. Zheng, Muhammad, and Betz were among 24 MMI students who advanced to the State Leadership Conference following their performance at the regional competition in December. Due to the pandemic, the State Leadership Conference, which is usually held over the course of three days in Hershey, was completed virtually this year.

Katherine Zucco, MMI instructor and FBLA advisor, said, "Participating in PA FBLA has been especially challenging this year. We managed to keep the enthusiasm for FBLA alive at MMI, and I am very grateful to all the faculty and staff for everything they have done for our students this year to keep their spirits up. As a result, we have so many students who continue to show us how much they value hard work and perseverance, especially when times are tough. I am incredibly proud of all of our students, and I am hopeful that we will see more from them in FBLA in the coming years."

More than 5,500 students and advisors participate annually in the PA State Leadership Conference. During the event, qualifying students participate in numerous competitive events, attend leadership development seminars, and campaign for state office. Advisors administer the competitive events and participate in professional development seminars.

The National Leadership Conference will also be held virtually this year from June 29 to July 2.

Jessica Zheng is the daughter of Hongzhi and De Zheng of Jim Thorpe. Manal Muhammad is the daughter of Ikram and Alia Muhammad of Mountain Top. Rachael Betz is the daughter of Amy Houm of Tamaqua and Richard Betz of Honesdale.

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Michelle Schmude, EdD, of Mountain Top, to serve on multiple boards of directors

Michelle Schmude, EdD, of Mountain Top, Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine's associate dean for admissions, enrollment management & financial aid and an associate professor of medical education, was recently named to several boards of directors.

The Academy for Professionalism in Health Care (APHC) appointed her to its board and named her a co-chair of its Education Committee. APHC, headquartered in La Crosse, Wisconsin, is dedicated to optimizing patient care through professionalism education, scholarship, policy and practice in all health-related fields. As an Education Committee co-chair, Dr. Schmude will help APHC members achieve their goals of promoting collaborative, multidisciplinary dialogue and research among professionalism educators, as well developing educational programming focused on professionalism.

Luzerne County Community College (LCCC) named Dr. Schmude to its Scranton Center Advisory Board. In that capacity, she will advise LCCC on the educational needs and priorities in the Lackawanna County area.

The Northeast Pennsylvania Area Health Education Center (NEPA AHEC) announced that Dr. Schmude will serve as treasurer on its Board of Directors. NEPA AHEC is a nonprofit organization dedicated to enhancing access to primary healthcare and contributing toward the quality of health for people in our region, especially in rural and medically underserved areas. It serves a nine-county region and focuses on healthcare workforce development and community health education.

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MOUNTAIN TOP Nice 3BR, 1-1/2BA home in Walden Pk. 2 story w/comfortable layout, FR, garage, and new carpet. MLS# 21-0549
SHANNON 690-6400 **$214,000**

MOUNTAIN TOP Well kept ranch home features 3BR, 1BA, fresh paint refinished hardwood floors, rear sunroom, private rear lot. Must See
MLS# 21-1489
EVELYN 262-5956 **$179,900**

MOUNTAIN TOP Nice gently sloped lot located on S. Mountain Blvd in the center of Mountain Top, right outside Crestwood Industrial Park. MLS# 21-0516
ANTONIO 262-7652 **$120,000**

MOUNTAIN TOP Two gently sloped lots located on S. Mtn Blvd close to Crestwood Ind. Pk. Zoned residential. Availability of public sewer & water unknown. MLS# 21-0517
ANTONIO 262-7652 **$100,000**

MOUNTAIN TOP 7+ ares in offer possibilities. Close to Rt 309, Rt 80 & Rt 81 & minutes from the center of Mountain Top. MLS# 21-1469
LINDA G. 956-0584 **$92,500**

MOUNTAIN TOP 6+ acre lot in Mountaintop. Recent survey. Public sewer available. MLS# 20-1656
LINDA G. 956-0584 **$84,900**

MOUNTAIN TOP Great investment opportunity. Commercial land along busy Rt 309 in Mt. Top. Front parcel w/2 stall garage on site & adjoining rear parcel. Public water & sewer & gas available.
MLS# 20-2286
DONNA S. 401-8835 **$69,900**

MOUNTAIN TOP Phase 3C now open! Lot sizes may vary. Prices starting at $64,900. Premium pricing on large lots. Public sewer and water, natural gas and curbs. Protective covenants apply.
MLS# 21-0074
LISA 715-9335 **$64,900**