

Wapwallopen peach festival draws crowds of peach lovers

St. Johns United Church of Christ in Wapwallopen held its annual peach festival on the church grounds, Saturday, August 28. The annual festival raises funds to support the church and church activities.

The event featured Heller's tree ripened peaches. Peach shortcake sundaes, peach pie, peach dumplings and homemade peach ice cream were the highlights of the festival.

Hamburgers, hot dogs and French Fries were also available

Music was provided by *Campfire Bacon*. Craft booths filled the adjacent grounds showcasing a variety of handmade items.



With a hint of rain in the air, crowds sit under tents enjoying their favorite foods and peach desserts while listening to *Campfire Bacon*.

Buddy Ross enjoys the peach ice cream.



Mountain Peaks/ Norberta Kosin photos

At right: People at the festival could not help but stop and admire Diesel, a Newfypoo, as he walked the grounds with owners Anthony and Jona Silvetic.



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Rice Elementary students Emily and Aubrey Wenner and their little sister Jessie show off their animal balloons.



Regina Schlichtor and her daughter Dakota check out the food stand to see what is available for lunch.



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

EVERY SUNDAY

The Mountain Top farmers market will be held **every Sunday** throughout the summer and fall from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Crestwood High School parking lot at 281 S. Mountain Blvd. Mountain Top.

SPIRITUAL YOGA

Join Stairville United Methodist Church, 1790 Stairville Road in Mountain Top for spiritual yoga on **Sundays** at 5:30 p.m. Weather permitting, the class is outdoors but there is room to move inside if needed.

Bring your own yoga mat. A donation basket will be available and donations are given to the church. The class lasts 1 hour, all levels welcome.

UNTIL SEPTEMBER 11 MUM SALE

St. Martin-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church is having a mum sale. Mums are \$4 each for an 8" pot. Colors are orange, purple, red, yellow, and white. Orders are due by **September** 11 and mums must be picked up at St. Martin's, 3085 Church Road, on Saturday, September 18 between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Orders can be placed by calling Pat at 570-466-0766, St. Martin's at 570-868-5358 (please leave a message), or by emailing them at stmartin.mountaintop@gmail.com. Mums are being provided by Old Post Farm.

UNTIL SEPTEMBER 13 HOAGIE SALE

The Dorrance Township Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary is holding a hoagie sale with pickup on September 18 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Order by **September 13** (hoagies will be available day of sale while supplies last).

Choices are: American with ham, hard salami, American cheese or turkey with turkey and American cheese, lettuce, tomato, onion, mayo and dressing included on the side, 12" hoagie \$7/each.

Krispy Kreme Donuts available also for \$8/dozen. Preorder preferred, but available at sale while supplies last.

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8 a.m. to

To order please call or text: Joan R. at 570-574-0626, Heather R. at 570-592-5353, Valerie Z. at 570-479-7033 or message the DTVFD Auxiliary Facebook page to order.

UNTIL OCTOBER 23 GUN RAFFLE

The Rotary Club of Mountain Top is holding a gun raffle fundraiser **now through October 23**, 2021. Tickets are \$5 each with the prize of (firearms of winner's choice) valued at \$800 or \$500 cash. Firearms provided by Piestrak's Gun Shop of Nanticoke. Anyone interested in purchasing a ticket can message them on their Facebook page: The Rotary Club of Mountaintop, stop by the farmers market at Crestwood High School on Sundays between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. or call Michelle at 570-715-7752. Proceeds will go toward

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Please drive around the back of the building to pick up your dinners.

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the Hometown Heroes project honoring U.S. veterans and first responders.

SEPTEMBER 4 FALL FESTIVAL

The Nuangola Library will hold its annual fall festival on Saturday, September 4 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Nuangola Library at 5150 Nuangola Road. There will be vendors, crafters and local artisans showcasing and selling their items and a bake sale will offer an array of delicious baked goods for sale. Masks are required.

Tables are \$20 each and vendors can contact Loraine Stook at 570-868-6308 to reserve a spot. We are also looking for bakers to donate homemade baked goods for the bake sale.

This year marks the 40th anniversary of the Nuangola Library so, mark your calendars and come on over, do some shopping and support the library.

FLEA MARKET/CRAFT SALE

Stairville United Methodist Church in Slocum is hosting a flea market/craft sale and bake sale on Saturday, September 4 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. featuring a variety of vendors and local artisans selling crafts, home goods, jewelry, collectibles and more. The bake sale will offer an array of homemade goodies. There will also be plenty of homemade food available for purchase while you shop. It's not too early to start Christmas shopping! Tables cost \$10.

To reserve a table, call Christine at 570-868-3413 leave a message if no answer.

Stairville UMC is located at 1790 Stairville Road, Mountain Top. The church with the blue roof

SEPTEMBER 5 ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST

An all you can eat breakfast will be served on Sunday, September 5 from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's Parish Cen-

ter in White Haven. The event is hosted by the White Haven Marine Corps League #1039.

The monthly all you can eat breakfast includes pancakes, cheesecake crepes, eggs to order, SOS, ham, bacon, sausage, homefries, coffee, tea, and orange juice.

\$9 per adult and \$4 per child. Everyone is welcome to attend.

St. Patrick's Parish Center is located at 411 Allegheny Street, White Haven.

> SEPTEMBER 7 **AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY MEETING**

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can Legion Auxiliary, Mountain Post 781, will be having their monthly meetings at the legion home in the down stairs hall.

The meetings are the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Executive meetings will be held at 6:30 p.m. The first meeting for the year is on Tuesday, September 7 at 7 p.m.

All auxiliary members are encouraged to attend and bring a friend and ideas for fundraising and veteran programs.

SEPTEMBER 11 **MUD BOG**

Slocum Township Fire Company is hosting its 2021

annual mud bog at the Slocum Township Fire Company bazaar grounds on Saturday, September 11 with registration from 7-10 a.m. The event will also include food for sale. The event is open to the public and fun for the whole family.

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Top is sponsoring a Breakfast

of Champions food drive to

benefit St. Paul's food pantry.

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CAR SHOW

Emmanuel UCC is holding a Car Show on **September 11**, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Show begins at 12 p.m. Cars, motorcycles and anything with wheels of all makes, models and ages are welcome. Registration fee is \$10. There will be a 50/50, basket raffles, door prizes, and food available for purchase along with DJ Carol & JT. Craft vendors are welcome, \$10 a table, please call Joan at 570-574-0626 or church office 570-868-5675 to register.

FLEA MARKET, CHICKEN BBQ & BAKE SALE

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 316 S. Mountain Blvd, Mountain Top is hosting a chicken bbq, flea market and bake sale on **Saturday**, **September 11**.

The flea market will be held from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., the drive-thru chicken bbq from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Menu includes: half chicken, baked potato, corn on the cob, cole slaw or apple sauce and dessert.

Cost of the dinner is \$10. Please reserve your dinner in advance, limited number available at the door. To reserve call Kevin 570-855-5815, or sign up in the church narthex. Please drive around the back of the building to pick up your dinners.

The Rotary Club of Mountain

SEPTEMBER 13-18 FOOD DRIVE

theThe drive takes place Septem-m 10ber 13-18.udes:Donations of canned food

and non-perishable items and/ or grocery store gift cards can be dropped off at the Mountain Top branch of Fidelity Bank.

SEPTEMBER 17 SALUTE TO SERVICE FOOTBALL GAME

The Crestwood Comets will host a *Salute to Service* at the football team's **September 17** 7 p.m. game versus Western Wayne High School.

The *Salute to Service* will honor past and present veterans. Pre-game ceremonies will include a helicopter fly over, fireworks, and presentations by elected state officials.

At halftime, there will be a motorcycle parade by Veterans Promise motorcycle group.

During the game, Crestwood players will wear Army National Guard uniforms provided by the National Guard.

Prior to the game, the American flag displayed at the stadium will be retired and a new flag raised. The retired flag will be presented to John Henry, believed to be the oldest veteran residing in Mountain Top.

SEPTEMBER 18 SOCCER CHALLENGE

The St. Jude Council of the Knights of Columbus will host the annual soccer challenge on Saturday, September 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Mountain Top Youth Soccer Complex on Church Road. The event is free to boys and girls ages 9-14. The challenge is 15 penalty kicks with points awarded for each kick. A proof of age and signature of legal guardian is required to participate.

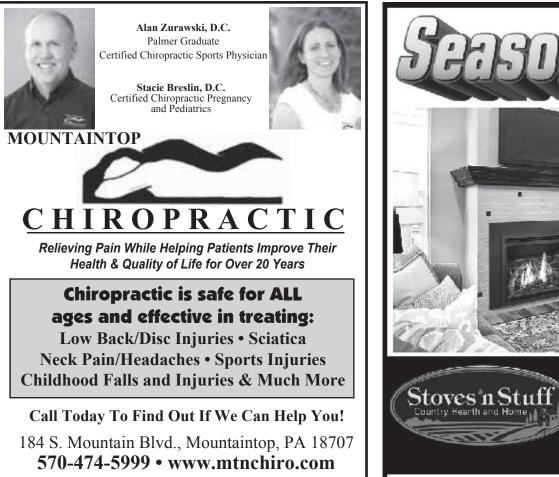
For more information please check the website, st.judekofc6440.org or Facebook page, st.judekofc6440.

SEPTEMBER 19 HOAGIE SALE

The Slocum Township Fire Department is holding a hoagie sale on **September 19** with pickup at 11 a.m.

The cost is \$5 for a 12 inch

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Crestwood Menu

Elementary Schools and Secondary Campus

Crestwood School District operates "Offer vs. Serve" meal programs following the guidance of the National School Breakfast and Lunch Programs overseen and regulated by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the PA Department of Education.

Due to the recent Covid pandemic, Crestwood School District is providing a reimbursable breakfast and lunch at no charge for all students, regardless of family income. This benefit is set to expire June 30, 2022.

In order to qualify for a reimbursable free breakfast or free lunch, students must

take all necessary meal components per USDA guidelines.

For lunch, each plate must have at least three components and one component must be a fruit or vegetable to be counted as reimbursable. If the plate does not contain these items, the student will be charged ala carte pricing.

While meals are currently free of charge during the 2021-22 school year, parents/ guardians are encouraged to apply for meals benefits. This confidential information is used by both CSD and state agencies to determine funding for a variety of programs. Failure to apply for benefits could disqualify your student/family from additional benefits that may be avail-

able.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the food service program, feel free to contact the Food Service Director at 570-474-6782 ext. 313.

Week of September 6

Monday: Labor Day, no school

Tuesday: Mini corn dog nuggets or cowboy burger on a roll with cheese, onion rings and bbq sauce; featured veggies: seasoned curly fries, black bean salad, choice of fruit and milk

Wednesday: Famous Comet bowl: popcorn chicken, mashed potato bowl with dinner roll or hot dog on a roll; featured veggies: steamed corn, Caesar salad, choice of fruit and milk

Thursday: Classic toasted cheese sandwich or chicken parm sandwich; featured veggies: tomato soup, celery sticks, choice of fruit and milk

Friday: Stuffed crust pizza or turkey and cheese melt with ranch; featured veggies: steamed carrots, broccoli salad, choice of fruit and milk

Week of September 13

Monday: Italian meatball and cheese hoagie or chicken tenders with roll; featured veggies: green beans, baby carrots, choice of fruit and milk

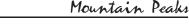
Tuesday: Chicken fajita wrap or cheeseburger on a

roll; featured veggies: roasted pepper and onion, cilantro lime slaw, choice of fruit and milk

Wednesday: Loaded bacon and cheddar pierogies with a roll or hot dog on a roll; featured veggies: seasoned curly fries, sliced cucumbers, choice of fruit and milk

Thursday: Philly cheesesteak on a club roll with cheese sauce or chicken parm sandwich; featured veggies: baked potato wedges, fresh cauliflower, choice of fruit and milk

Friday: Italian dunkers or ham and cheese melt with honey mustard; featured veggies: steamed mixed vegetables, chickpea salad, choice of fruit and milk





Crestwood High School football program holds Meet the Players



The Crestwood Comets Varsity football team lines up on the field led by Coach Ryan Arcangeli.



Mountain Peaks/Norberta Kosin photos



Members of the Crestwood High School marching band are introduced.

The junior varsity football team wait for their turn to be introduced.



The Crestwood Comets cheerleaders wait on the field to be introduced.



In a shortened 2020 season, the Crestwood Comets were the best in the Wyoming Valley Conference. They made it through the quarter finals of the 2020 PIAA Football State



Championship undefeated and into the semi-finals only to lose to Jersey Shore who went on to the finals. Head Coach Ryan Arcangeli was named District 2 and Wyoming Valley Conference Division 2 Coach of the Year.

Meet the players night was held on Friday, August 29. Under threatening skies, members of the Crestwood marching band, color guard, varsity and junior varsity cheerleaders, junior and varsity football players and their coaches were introduced to the crowd.

The season got underway on Friday, August 27.

For Coach Arcangeli this is no time to look back. It is time to look forward to with a new team, new goals and new leaders.

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hoagie. Choose from American with hard salami, bologna, ham, American cheese, lettuce, tomato, option of onion or turkey with turkey, American cheese, lettuce, tomato, option of onion.

Orders are due by September 13. Message them on Facebook or call 570-868-6255 to place your order.

SEPTEMBER 25 & 26 FALL FLEA MARKET

A fall flea market sponsored by St. John Bosco Church will be held on **Saturday, September 25** from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and **Sunday, September 26** from 12:30-2 p.m. (Bag Day) in the parish center located at 573 State Route 93 in Conyngham.

Featured will be an upscale flea market, homemade food stand, breakfast and lunch with take outs available, bacon egg and cheese croissants, hot dogs with chili or sauerkraut, bar-b-q, sausage and peppers, cabbage and bow ties, chips, drinks and baked goods.

OCTOBER 1 GOLF TOURNAMENT

The first annual Button Holdings charity golf tournament will be held on **Friday, October** 1 at Blue Ridge Trail Golf Club in Mountain Top. The proceeds from the tournament will go to the Max & Lorraine Fund, a charity that is very personal to the Button family. The tournament will include lunch, putting contest, 18 holes of golf, dinner and open bar.

There are several opportunities for you to support this event. Sponsorship levels: Tournament sponsor \$5,000: golf foursome, announcements, banner, website; dinner sponsor \$2,500: golf foursome, dinner signage, website; bar sponsor \$1,500: 2 golfers, bar signage, website; contest sponsor \$1,250: 2 golfers, putting green sign, website; beverage cart sponsor \$1,000: 2 golfers, beverage cart signage, website; gold sponsor \$750: 2 golfers, banner, hole sign, website; silver sponsor \$400: 1 golfer, banner, hole sign, website; hole sponsor \$150: hole sign.

The cost for a single golfer is \$110; a foursome is \$395 and dinner only is \$55.

For sponsorships and golf registration, contact Amanda Moyer: Office: 570- 475-3042 or email: almoyer@buttonholdings.com.

OCTOBER 2 WALK FOR THE ANIMALS

The SPCA of Luzerne County is excited to announce that they will be hosting its 30th annual Walk for the Animals fundraiser on **Saturday**, **October 2** at Frances Slocum State Park. Registration is at 9 a.m. At 11 a.m. there will be a blessing of the animals and the walk will begin.

Individual registration: \$20 per walker. You can register online or the day of the event. They do encourage early registration. Registration fee waived for individual walkers who raise \$50 or more in pledges. Group registration: \$100 per team, up to 7 people per team, \$15 per additional walker on a team.

Ask your friends and family to sponsor your walk! Pledges should be for a set amount, not per mile. All pledges must be turned in at the time of registration. All children under 10 are free when accompanied by an adult (21 +).

They encourage you to walk with your dog, please bring only dogs that are wellbehaved, physically fit and upto-date on their rabies vaccination and license. All dogs must be wearing a suitable collar or harness and must be kept on a leash at all times. All dogs must be 6 months or older. No female dogs in season (heat) will be allowed! Water, pet treats and clean-up bags will be provided.

Big basket raffles! Dozens to choose from. Free coffee and donuts before, free hot dog and snacks after.

Register online: spcaluzernecounty.org.

Be an event sponsor, call 570-825-4111 to learn more.

OCTOBER 5 AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY MEETING

The Mountain Top American Legion Auxiliary, Mountain Post 781, will be having their monthly meetings at the legion home in the down stairs hall.

The meetings are the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Executive meetings will be held at 6:30 p.m.

The October meeting is on **Tuesday, October 5** at 7 p.m.





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Officers of the Drums Lioness Lions Club installed





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Seated, from left are new officers Lorna Veglia, Linda Kostic and Jeanette Tait; standing are District Governor Andy Piskel, Arlene Stagg, Monica Weidick, Jan Kelly, Jen Gerhard, Mary Ann Molendini. Missing from photo is Bernie Jespersen.

Lions 14-W District Governor Andy Piskel recently installed the 2021/2022 officers of the Drums Lioness Lions Club. The officers are as follows: Jeanette Tait, president; Linda Kostic, vice-president; Lorna Veglia and Mary Ann Molendini, co-secretaries; Bernie Jespersen and Jen Gerhard, co-treasurers; Arlene Stagg, chaplain; Jan Kelly, Lion Tamer; Monica Weidick, Tail Twister.

The Drums Lioness Lions Club helps to provide needed services for individuals and organizations within the community.

New members are always welcome. Members need not reside at a Drums address to participate.

For more information, visit the Drums Lioness Lions Club Facebook page or email drumslionesslions@hotmail. com.



The Area Agency on Aging for Luzerne and Wyoming Counties, **Health & Wellness Program** offers fitness classes and educational workshops free to those 60+ years young. The **Health & Wellness Program** is a Department of Aging program that focuses on promoting health and wellness throughout Pennsylvania. We offer numerous exercise classes both in person and virtually through Zoom for interested individuals.

If you would like to attend a fitness class or educational workshop, you will need to pre-register and you will be asked to fill out a registration form and pre/post exercise class surveys. This information is very important and is required so that we can continue to sponsor the classes and workshops at no cost to you.



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Bridgette **Poirier gets** some snacks out for her children Ruger and Remi before the start of the



Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photos From left, Kyra Bechtel, Mattie Divers, Tristyn Divers and Jordan Andrews wait for the movie to start.

Kiwanis host Movies in the Park

The Kiwanis Club of Mountain hosted a Movies in the Park at the Wright Township Park on Saturday, August 21. It was held on the baseball diamond, and everyone brought their chairs and blankets to watch the family movie called Raya and the Last Dragon on the big screen.

St. Jude class of 1970 holds 51st reunion



Mountain Peaks/Norberta Kosin photo

Shown at the reunion are, clockwise, from left, Maria DeRojas Glenn, Mari Madden Van Wie, Joanne Sakowski Dinoski, Janice Filipczyk Caffrey, Mary Joan McKernan Brenholts, Tom Lyons, Lee Ann Lloyd, Donna Piarote Biggs,

St. Jude class of 1970 planned its 50th reunion in 2020, but because of Covid it had to be postponed until 2021. During St. Jude picnic this year the class celebrated its 51st reunion. Classmates came from near and far to reconnect

Joe Niezgoda, Maryellen Yurkanin Aton, Mark Bohn, Kathleen Mulcahy Lee, Patrick McNelis and Marlene Ostrowski. Also in attendance were Patrick Milham, Mike Baker, Bob Wildes and Joe Dougherty.

with those they have not seen, some in 50 years. A Mass was said for the deceased members of the class.

The class plans to get together in a casual setting periodically to stay in touch.

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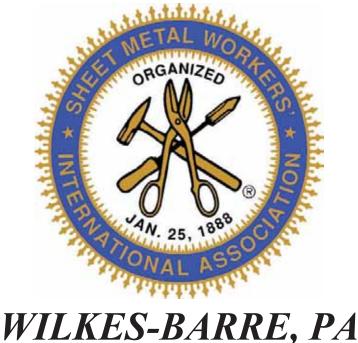




Carol Evans, a teacher at Starry Knights Learning Center serves spaghetti and meatballs to the children for lunch.

Chris Simpson fills out some paperwork on the computer for a customer at Lewith and Freeman Real Estate in Mountain Top.







Scott Yoh, John Behm, Jonathan Schutz Applications are available the second Tuesday of the month from 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Please call for details 570-829-0634



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Gemma Alberti, a cashier at Carone's Market in Mountain Top rings up a grocery order for some customers. Nina Jancewicz, a teller at FNCB Bank in Mountain Top enters data on a computer during a quiet time at the bank.

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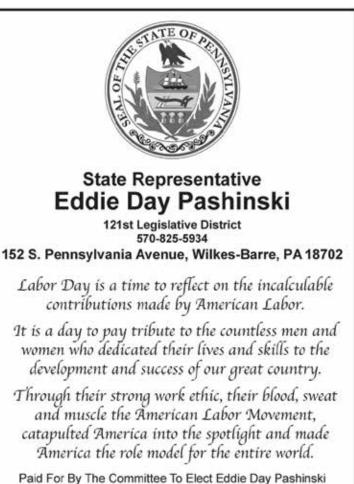


Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photos Michel Angelo DeRosa chops some chicken for a chicken cheese steak at Cugini's.



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Colleen Spaide organizes prescriptions that are ready to pick up at the Crestwood Pharmacy.



Carone's employee Joanna Aberant sweeps up broken glass from a jar of pickles that fell to the floor.

Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photos



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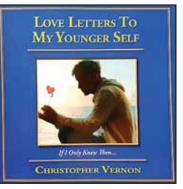
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Strohl ready to release second book

Christopher Vernon Strohl, formerly of White Haven, is on the cusp of releasing his upcoming second book entitled Love Letters To My Younger Self. The three-time award winning best local author previously penned Dancing In A Hurricane, a memoir based on his shocking life story so far, covering over three decades of jaw dropping material.

With his sophomore work, Christopher a proud Crestwood Comet alumni, is opening the gates to his quarantined mind, during the ongoing Covid pandemic of 2020



and 2021. "Love Letters came about by complete accident. I had full intentions of writing a mystery novel, but fortunately for me just as life takes on a path of its own, I got detoured."

Two large visitation rooms



Christopher Vernon Strohl

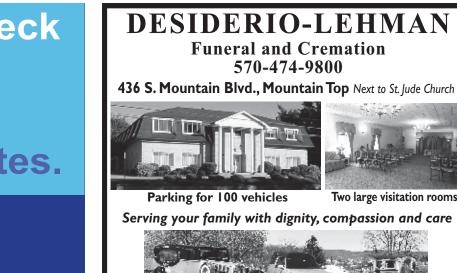
"Love Letters To My Younger *Self*" is a book of whimsical quotes, daring thoughts and rich ideas about everyday life spoken from a place of experience, all shed on his younger, more naive self. Knowledge is power, and learning such life lessons takes living an actual life, and it takes time.

You can follow Mr. Vernon on Facebook under the page: Dancing In A Hurricane "A Novella".

Christopher will be signing both books for his official launch at Groove Brewing in Scranton on Sunday, October 3 from 2 to 4:30 p.m., or at the Abington Community Library in Clarks Summit on October 9 from 1 to 3 p.m. as he will then embark on his full NEPA and beyond Kindness Is King book signing tour.

Due to a very high volume of local news, some pictures and stories did not fit in this edition. Watch for them in future editions.







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Poker run & bike show held at Slocum Township Fire Co.

Slocum Township Fire Company held its first poker run and bike show on Sunday, August 29.

Registration was at 9 a.m. and kickstands were up at 12:15 p.m. Cost was \$20/ driver and \$10/passenger and included poker run shirts and bike show entry.

Prizes were awarded for the top three poker hands and the worst hand. The stops included Capone's Bar & Grill, Bandit's Roadhouse, Village Tavern, Wheels Bar & Grill and back to the fire company for the last card.

The bike show began at 3 p.m. There were food and beverages as well as shirts for sale.

At right: Bikers get their final card of the poker run in hopes of drawing the best hand.



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Andy Marcinkowski enters the bazaar grounds on his Harley Davidson Cruiser that he customized himself.



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Wright Township supervisors at their July meeting gave tentative approval to the organization's application to hold the parade, pending correction of an error on its application. However, Dianne Hopersberger, MTOM president, said the parade will not be held. She said the group is looking to hold another event in the fall.

Mountain Top municipalities preparing to submit gaming grant applications

Just weeks after finally receiving a total of \$1.8 million in Local Shares Account (LSA) grants, Mountain Top municipalities are preparing to submit the next round of gaming grant applications which are due September 30. Wright Township received a total of \$382,412 in 2019 and 2020 gaming grants, all for road work. Supervisor Matt Howton acknowledged there are many roads still in need of repair but suggested at the board's August meeting that supervisors look at other township needs in preparing the grant application. Howton pointed out the municipal building roof is in need of replacement as well as the township's underground fuel tanks. He also suggested officials consider purchase of a new police vehicle and a new snowplow with gaming grant money.

Supervisors gave township secretary/treasurer Pamela Heard permission to begin preparation of a 2021 LSA grant proposal with those projects in mind along with road paving.

Supervisor Don Zampetti thanked Heard and administrative assistant/police secretary Carolyn Sromoski for their hard work on the township's 2019 and 2020 LSA grant applications. Supervisors also approved a \$1.50 an hour wage increase for Sromoski.

Dorrance Township supervisors voted to apply for a \$125,000 LSA grant to purchase a 2021 Case 580 super loader backhoe.

At the supervisors' August meeting, Bob Welsh of Alberdeen Road asked about the gaming grant money recently awarded to other municipali-

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ties in the Mountain Top area and why Dorrance received only \$48,000 when others got larger amounts. Supervisors explained the township received the full amount it requested to purchase an attachment for its skid steer loader. Supervisors explained the township did not apply last year because the 2019 awards were never given and the time frame for the 2020 application during Covid pandemic was minimal. They noted the township is applying for \$125,000 this year for a new backhoe.

Rice Township, which received \$560,172 for road improvements in 2019 and 2020 LSA money, plans to apply for about \$200,000 to purchase two dump trucks to replace ones currently in use.

Pennsy Supply inspection complete

Atty. Sean Logsdon reported at Dorrance Township's August meeting that the Pennsy Supply inspection was completed on August 7 and report on the findings is in process.

Dorrance supervisors receive letter about dirt bike usage

Dorrance supervisors reported receipt of a letter from John Domyan, Rocky Road Lane, regarding neighbors riding dirt bikes in an R-1 residential area. Domyan told supervisors the dirt bikes are loud, and his grandchildren are afraid of them and the noise.

Fire companies to receive grants

Two Mountain Top area fire

companies are among five organizations that will receive a total of \$39,447 in volunteer fire assistance grants.

Dorrance Township Volunteer Fire Department will receive \$3,947 and Slocum Township Volunteer Fire Co., \$10,000.

The state grants were awarded to qualifying local firefighting forces in rural areas and communities with fewer than 10,000 people. The funding may be used for training and equipment purchases directly related to fighting brush and forest fires.

Wright Township looking for consultant for park master plan

Wright Township has advertised for a consultant to help the township prepare a municipal park master plan. Once the consultant is selected and a master plan committee is in place, public input will be solicited.

Comets to host Salute to Service

The Crestwood Comets will host a *Salute to Service* at the football team's September 17 7 p.m. game versus Western Wayne High School.

The *Salute to Service* will honor past and present veterans. Pre-game ceremonies will include a helicopter fly over, fireworks, and presentations by elected state officials.

At halftime, there will be a motorcycle parade by Veterans Promise motorcycle group.

During the game, Crestwood players will wear Army National Guard uniforms provided by the National Guard.

You can order a custom

t-shirt on line before September 6.

Prior to the game, the American Flag displayed at the stadium will be retired and a new flag raised. The retired flag will be presented to John Henry, believed to be the oldest veteran residing in Mountain Top. Henry will be recognized for his service to the country during World War II. The U.S. navy veteran served on the USS Intrepid aircraft carrier from 1943 to 1946. The ship saw action in the South Pacific theatre and was involved in the liberation of the Philippines, the invasion of Okinawa, and Battle of Leyte Gulf, considered to have been the largest naval battle of World War II and possibly the largest naval battle in history.

Henry was aboard the aircraft carrier during the historic signing of the peace treaty between Japan and the Allied Forces.



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American Legion holds a summer fling

Mylet and his

buddy Bo enjoy

the day.

The American Legion Post 781 presented its Summer Fling on Sunday, August 15 from noon to 6 p.m. in the post grove.The canteen opened at 3 p.m. and there were two foods trucks offering a variety of food. There were raffles, adult beverages, and live entertainment.



Becky Columbo places an order from Butcher Bob's food truck.



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Volleyball team holds car wash at CHS





Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photos

Above: All hands-on deck to wash Butcher Bob's food truck. The girls did such a great job that they received a \$100 dollar bill donation for a job well done. At left: Avery Cloutier and Julia Sinavage dry a vehicle.

The Crestwood Girls Volleyball Booster Club held a car wash in the parking lot of Crestwood High School on Saturday, July 31 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



MACA holds Cruise-In Night in the Park



David Sabol, Ellen and Bob Endress are checking out this gorgeous Mustang that just arrived.

The Mountain Top Area Community Association (MACA) held a Cruise-in Night in the Park on Friday, August 27. There were some great vehicles plus door prizes, games, and raffles.

The Wright Township Police Officers Association awards scholarship

The Wright Township Police Officers Association (WTPOA) recently awarded its annual scholarship to Crestwood High School 2021 graduate Bailey Hayes.

The \$500 scholarship is given annually to the Crestwood High School senior who is planning on majoring in the public service field in college and who has proven during their high school career that they can handle many responsibilities such as academics, athletics, employment, and community service, all while maintaining an out-



Pictured from left: Officer Dave O'Brien, WTPOA member; Sgt. Scott Rozitski, WTPOA treasurer; Hayes, Officer Dave Winsock, WTPOA president, Chief Royce Engler, WTPOA member.

standing grade point average and being a respected member of the community. Hayes plans on majoring in criminal justice in college with future plans on becoming a police officer.





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Whisker's World, Inc. held its 7th annual golf tournament on Saturday, August 21 at Blue Ridge Trail Golf Club. The format was Captain and Mate. and cost was \$200 per team. Registration began at noon with the Shotgun start promptly at 1:30 p.m.

The tournament included a long drive competition, closest to the pin, pot of gold hole (50-50), flight prizes, 50/50 drawing, raffle prizes and dinner.

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Above: The Whisker's World crew works hard to make the golf tournament happen each year. In the front row from left are founders Donna Fountain and Brenda Buckler: in the back row are Lisa Benkoski, Shirley Telencio, Nicole **Cromarty and Jackie Nicotera.**

At left: Brenda Buckler and John Florence get Greg Vladika registered for the tournament.

Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photos



Programs that are being offered for teens grades 6-12 at the Marian Sutherland Kirby Library include:

Teen back to school craft program for grades 6-12 will be held on Saturday, September 11 from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Make a duct tape pouch, cereal box pencil case, and weaving pencil cup holder.

Middle School book club for grades 6-8 will be held on Tuesday, September 14 from 6-7 p.m. They will be discussing *Ali Cross* by James Patterson. Books available to checkout at the circulation desk.

Teen book tasting program for grades 6-12 will take place on Tuesday, September 21 from 6-7 p.m. Get a taste of some awesome books! Read a selection of books for five minutes each to get a taste of them. Then make a yummy dessert to enjoy. You may win a prize.

Send your news to publisher@mtpeaks.com Teen game night for grades 6-12 will take place on Tuesday, September 28 from 6-7 p.m. Have fun playing games and eating snacks.

Teen crafts bags will be avail-

able in the YA Room every week while supplies last.

Teen book loot program takes place every month, teens can register on the library's website kirbylib.org or pick up a registration form in the library. Registration opens the first two weeks of each month. Teens get a book to checkout (with their input), craft and other goodies to keep.

Radiation Therapy

Registration is required for all programs. Please register at the Marian Sutherland Kirby Library, 35 Kirby Avenue, Mountain Top or call 570-474-9313.







The Cancer Treatment Center at Hazleton has been providing radiation therapy to cancer patients for over 30 years.

According to the Pennsylvania Department of Health, it is estimated that 1,141 men in Luzerne County will develop prostate cancer with a 5-year survival rate of 97.7% in Pennsylvania. Early diagnosis, improvements in treatment, and increase awareness are contributing to a positive outlook. At the Cancer Treatment Center at Hazleton, external beam radiation therapy (EBRT) is used in the treatment of prostate cancer. EBRT is a painless and noninvasive effective treatment for prostate cancer, damaging cancer cells and their ability to multiply.

Stay Close to Home

If you, or a loved one, have been diagnosed with prostate cancer and would like to speak to a patient coordinator about your treatment options, please contact the Cancer Treatment Center at Hazleton at (570) 459-3460 or visit us at CancerTreatmentCenterHazleton.com.

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Editor's Note: If you have any questions about worship times or church activities, please contact the church. Things change quickly due to Covid-19. We try to publish accurate information but things may change between publications.

CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Services: Sunday 9 & 10:45 a.m. Saturday 6 p.m. JP Bohanan, Pastor 175 S. Main Road, Mountain Top 570-474-6060

Online worship services are available on demand on the church's website: christonthemountaintop.org.

The new Adventure Church group gathers on Saturday mornings for a hike, gener-

ally an hour plus and around two miles in length, with dogs welcome. They pause on the trail to read Scripture and pray together and continue in conversation as they go.

CONYNGHAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Services: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Graham Truscott, Pastor 411 Main Street, Conyngham 570-788-3960

Join them for worship on Sundays online on Facebook and in person at 10:30 a.m.

Due to a sharp rise with the Delta variant cases of Covid 19 in the area the church is asking everybody to wear masks in church. Also please practice social distancing where possible. Following CDC guidelines wearing masks also applies to people who have been vaccinated.

Kids and Youth Sunday school at 9 a.m.

Join the congregation every Friday at 7 p.m. for People in Prayer in the social hall. This is simply a time to get together, to share what is weighing on your heart, and to pray about it.

If you can't come in but would like some prayer on your behalf then simply email pastor Graham at wgtruscott@ gmail.com.

EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Services: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Louis Aita, Pastor

7768 Blue Ridge Trail, Dorrance 570-868-5675

On Sunday, September 5, Holy Communion will be served during the worship service. As they take part in this holy ceremony, they are reminded of the price of freedom since this is also the day they will observe their American independence at Emmanuel. Holy Communion is a reminder of one more price of freedom. Jesus paid the penalty for our sins so that we will have the freedom to join Him and our God in heaven. Emmanuel invites everyone to celebrate freedom with them through the sacrament of Holy Communion. Come, for the price has been paid.

The teachers and volunteers at Emmanuel have planned a great Sunday School experience based on its LIVE curriculum. The "textbooks" are Hands On Bibles, which are packed full of science experiments, crafts, Bible hero biographies, fun facts, FAQs and lots of cool and interesting stuff. There are different activities each week in addition to the Bible lessons, such as the crafts, puzzles and games. Rally Day will be held on September 12 with food, snacks, games and fun for everyone following service. The first day of Sunday School will be September 19 at 9:30 a.m.

Emmanuel UCC is holding a car show on September 11 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Show begins at 12 p.m. Cars, motorcycles and anything with wheels of all makes, models and ages are welcome. Registration fee is \$10. There will be a 50/50, basket raffles, door prizes, and food available for purchase along with DJ Carol & JT. Craft vendors are welcome, \$10 a table, please call Joan at 570-574-0626 or church office 570-868-5675 to register.

Emmanuel UCC is holding a bingo in the social hall on October 17 at 4 p.m. There will be gift cards and cash prizes. Cost is \$25 for 20 games. Food and drinks will be available to purchase. Doors open at 3:30 and games begin at 4.

You may drop off bags of aluminum cans in the crates provided for them at the back of the church's lower parking lot and they will get rid of them for you. They collect aluminum cans to raise money to benefit struggling families in our community. Your contributions help needy families in our area.

The Wapwallopen Ministerium Food Bank is housed at Emmanuel UCC and is open by appointment only. All contacts are kept strictly confidential. If they can help you or

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someone you know, please call 570- 868-5675 and they will provide nourishment for you and those you care for. Please give them at least 24-hours notice in order to set up an appointment.

If you are in need of pastoral care, call Pastor Lou Aita at 570-582-9550 or email him at aitatl12@ptd.net. E-mail access is emmanuel_ucc@ hotmail.com and the website is emmanuel-ucc.org.

FAITH CHURCH DRUMS Service: Sunday 10 a.m. Keith Evans, Pastor 4 Rittenhouse Place, Drums 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!

The Craguns will be in concert at 530 West Butler Drive in Drums on Sunday, September 5 at 6:30 p.m.! That evening the church will have a picnic at 5:30 p.m. with the concert following the fellowship!

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

The church's policy is that anyone who is not fully vaccinated should wear a mask. Anyone with Covid-19 symptoms should not enter the church. You are also asked to sanitize your hands as you enter and leave the church.

The next Baptismal preparation class will be held at Good Shepherd Parish (combined Good Shepherd and Immaculate Conception class) on Thursday, September 9, at 6 p.m. in the St. Joseph Room. Enter through the library door (white storm door) located at the ramp entrance to the church. Call the parish office at 570-788-3141 to register. This class is mandatory for all parents who wish to have their child baptized.

Bingo at Good Shepherd Church resumes on Tuesday, September 7. The kitchen opens at 5 p.m. and the Early

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Mini VBS held at Presbyterian Church



Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photos Before everyone has pizza on the last night of VBS they play games, led by Steve Koons, with the parachute and beach ball.

Mountain Top Presbyterian Church held a mini VBS for Sunday school kids, friends, and neighbors from August 18 to August 20 from 6 to 8 p.m. The theme was Reboot: Be a Light for Jesus. Everyone enjoyed food, song, fun and fellowship.



Noah Franks and Sam Maclusky show off the lighthouses they just finished making.

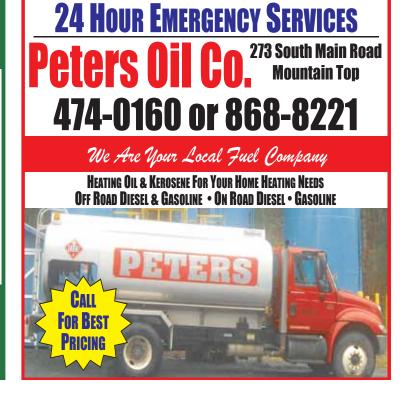
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Saturday 9-4, Sunday 9-3



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Bird game begins at 6 p.m. If you would like to volunteer, call the parish office.

The Queen of Our Hearts Rosary Group invites you to pray the rosary in church on Saturdays from 5 to 5:45 p.m. They will pray the rosary, the Infant of Prague Novena, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

On Saturday, September 18, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Good Shepherd Church will hold a second community flea market/rummage sale in the parking lot. They will supply the place and tables for a fee. A table and space is \$20; just a space is \$10. They will not be accepting donations as many "treasures" were saved from the last one. Help will be needed setting up from Wednesday, September 15 through Friday, September 17 plus on the day of the sale. Contact Diane Lindsay at 570- 599-7626 or Cathy Penkala at 570-436-5017 for

more information or to reserve your spot. During the rummage sale the Women of Good Shepherd will have a bake sale. Any member interested in baking and/or working, please call Cathy Penkala at 570-436-5017.

The Women of Good Shepherd will return to meeting on the second Monday of each month at 6 p.m. They need volunteer teams to plan a monthly meeting. Please contact Cathy Penkala if you'd like to plan a meeting activity. Meeting dates are September 13, October 11, November 8, December 13, January 10, March 14, April 11, May 9, and June 13.

Registration is now open for the 2021-2022 Faith Formation year. Forms are on the table in the church vestibule and also available in the "Downloads" section on their website. Please complete and return them to the parish office as soon as possible. There will be a meetand-greet after the 9:30 a.m.



Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photo Muntzenberger, Frank Gavio, Mark Rongone, Michael Diakun, Mark Shade and Alan Guitson.

Members of Council #6440 who worked the food drive are from left, Jeff Speck, John Borek, Steve

St. Jude Knights, Council #6440 holds food drive

The St. Jude Council of the Knights of Columbus #6440 held a drive-thru food drive on Saturday, August 21 from 9 a.m. to noon in the parking lot of St. Jude's Church. All food and monetary donations went to the Mountain Top Food Bank which is located at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. There were many very large donations of food.

Mass on Sunday, September 12, for children to meet their teacher and see their classroom. Classes begin on Mon-

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day, September 20, and will be held from 4:30-5:30 p.m. The registration fee is \$20 for the first child and \$10 for each

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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 holds Sunday services at 9 and 10:30 a.m. for one hour along with KidsTown Children's Ministries. During both services, teens are invited to a special youth service after joining the adults in the sanctuary for worship.

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.

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Groups are meeting in person again! Men and women are invited to attend the Men's Small Group and Ladies Small Group; both meet at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Starting Point Youth for students in grades 7-12 meets in the Youth Room from 6:30-8 p.m., Ground Zero56 for students in 5th and 6th grade will meet from 6:30-8 p.m. in the sanctuary and the Royal Rangers and Girls Ministry programs for children 4 years old through 4th grade will meet from 6:30-8. Registration forms and payment required for Royal Rangers and Girls Ministries. Please contact the church office if interested. No registration is necessary for Ground Zero or Starting Point Youth.

During Sunday morning services and Wednesday programs face masks are strongly recommended for children and leaders to help keep the students safe as well as for those who may have a compromised immune system or are at risk in any way.

Please contact the church office at 570-474-0900 if you

have any questions or would like more information.

MOUNTAINVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

Service: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Brook Selby, Pastor 5126 N. Lehigh Gorge Dr., White Haven

570-580-0808

Given new CDC guidelines and the fact that over 75% of the Mountainview attendees are vaccinated, Mountainview meetings and services are now mask optional.

In person services are Sundays at 10:30 a.m. In the field service is the 1st Sunday of the month.

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.

Pastor: Rev. Fran Fink



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.

Rev. Fran Fink will lead the worship service on September 5.

The Friendship Club will have its monthly breakfast and social on September 9 at 9:30 a.m. at the Parkway Diner in Nanticoke.

On September 12, Cindy Faust will lead the worship service. Our secret recipe bake-off auction will follow the service.

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

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Family Fun & Faith Day held at MFC



Mountain Peaks/Claudia Strycharz photo Zack Tarnowski plays the frog toss game.

Mountaintop Family Church held a Family Fun & Faith Day on Saturday, August 28 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Families with children preschool age through 6th grade were invited to bring the kids and enjoy some time together playing games, walking through the nature trail, talking about faith in Jesus, and enjoying some popcorn and sno-cones.





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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

For any needs or concerns, please contact: Faith UMC: Wilma Baratta at 570-2005329; Stairville UMC: Christine Kellow at 570-868-3413; Slocum UMC: Charles Herring at 570-868-6478.

Stairville United Methodist Church is hosting a flea market/craft sale and bake sale on Saturday, September 4 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. featuring a variety of vendors and local artisans selling crafts, home goods, jewelry, collectibles and more. The bake sale will offer an array of homemade goodies. There will also be plenty of homemade food available for purchase while you shop. Tables cost \$10 each. To reserve a table, call Christine at 570-868-3413 leave a message if no answer.

Join Stairville for spiritual yoga on **Sundays** at 5:30 p.m.

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. 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.

Everyone is welcome to join them on Friday, September 10 at 6:30 p.m. for dinner and live music at a cost of only \$3. Please bring a dessert to share.

For additional information, visit the church's website at nlccmountain-top.com.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MOUNTAIN TOP

Services: Sunday 10:30 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, September 5.

There is a sanitizing station available in the narthex. If you have been ill during the 2 weeks prior to any service, you are asked to stay home and join in on Facebook. They will continue to make the service available live on Facebook and for replay. Please continue to mail in your tithes and offering through the slow summer season.

The church will soon be entering into the fall schedule with Sunday School at 9:30 and worship at 11. Please watch for schedule changes.

The Fireside Chat Bible study will resume September 8. Zoom link https://paiu. zoom.us/j/5263314753 Zoom; phone: 267-831-0333 ID: 526 331 4753.

The church will be volunteering to serve at St. Vincent de Paul's Soup Kitchen in Wilkes-Barre on October 9 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Carpooling is available for those willing to serve. See Pam Zaprazny for



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details

The church is 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, email at pbychmt@verizon.net 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

The church doors are open for worship services on Sunday mornings. Services are also live on Facebook every Sunday morning, you can tune in by opening Facebook and typing St. James Lutheran Church, Hobbie, in the search line. In addition to the service, you can find a link to download the bulletin to make it easier to follow along with the service. The service remains available on Facebook at all times. Outside services will be held every other Sunday in the pavilion until September 12.

First Communion classes and Catechism classes beginning in the fall. First Communion classes are for anyone in 5th grade or older. Please contact Pastor Brown (570-582-6639) if you have an eligible student.

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

Please be aware that anyone who is not fully vaccinated against Covid 19 is strongly encouraged to still wear a face mask. If you are experiencing Covid 19 symptoms, please do not enter the church. Call the Parish Office. 570-474-6315 if you have any questions.

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

Religious education volunteers needed! Classroom aides and substitutes needed for all grade levels. They are also in need of adults to help sanitize the classrooms after Sunday and Monday classes. Sanitizing will take approximately 15-20 minutes after each class and volunteers will only have to help 1-2 weekends per month. Contact: cgrandzol@stjc.org

Pastor Brown will be holding to assist.

Religious Ed. classes will begin Sunday, September 19 and Monday, September 20.

Come join the upcoming Bible Study Group! The Study, Keeping in Balance, will begin the first week of October. They will meet each Thursday from 6:30-8 p.m. The cost of the book is \$40. Please call either Kathy Lee, 570-239-0525 or Janet Jones, 570-550-6831 if you have any questions, or would like to join.

The front office is now open Sundays from 9 a.m. until 12 noon. As of Tuesday, September 7, regular office hours will resume, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Closed for lunch 12-12:30 p.m.) Questions, call the office, 570-474-6315, ext. 221.

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EXPIRES 9-30-21

The firepit is the perfect spot to toast some marshmallows, from left are Brent Miller, Bryan Herbst, Sean Rogers, Nathan Havard and Simon Basham.

Cub Scout Pack 106 Registration and Picnic was held on Sunday, August 29 from 4 to 6 p.m. at Christ United Methodist Church in the soccer field. Besides registration there were plenty of game and activities, a fire pit to toast marshmallows, and plenty of food. To join scouting call Sheila Bender at 570-436-6276.



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3085 Church Road, Mountain Top 570-868-5358

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Episcopal church, incorporating the best of both Catholic and Protestant traditions. As an inclusive church, St. Martin's recognizes divorce and the remarriage of divorced people, male and female clergy, single or married, LGBTQ equality, and a Eucharist open to all baptized persons, regardless of their faith background.

They uphold five marks of mission which includes proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom, teaching and nurturing new believers, safeguarding the integrity of creation, and of particular importance to them, responding to human need through loving service and seeking to transform unjust structures in society; and, challenging violence of every kind. The charitable work they do individually, and collectively as a congregation reflects their commitment to these increasingly crucial needs in our area.

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Services: Saturday 5:30 p.m. Sunday: 9 a.m.

Father Joseph Evanko, Pastor 3529 St. Mary's Road, Dorrance 570-868-5855

Saint Mary's has confession on Saturdays from 4:30-5:15 p.m.

Religious education: K-6 Stacey: 570-332-3801. Religious education forms for 2021-22, are posted on the church's website and Facebook page. The forms are fillable so you can email them directly back to the church, or you may print them and send them to the office. The cost remains the same: \$20 per students K6, \$40 per student in 7th grade and \$75 per student in eighth grade. Please call the parish office if these costs pose a hardship on your family. Hard copies are available from the parish office during business hours and in the meeting room.

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 and Wednesdays 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Molly will be at St. Jude office Tuesdays and Thursdays. Calls will be forwarded on those days.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart, to succor me in this necessity; there are none that can withstand your power.

O, Show me herein you are my Mother. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. (say 3 times) Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands. (say 3 times)

Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, who lights all roads so that I can attain my goal. You who give me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances of my life you are with me. I want this short prayer to thank you for all instances of my life you are with me. I want this short prayer to thank you for your all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be seperated from you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine.

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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 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.

Women Of St. Patrick will not meet in September due to rising cases of the Covid-19 Delta variant. Mass intention requests for 2022 are being accepted. Please note that masses will not be scheduled over the telephone to avoid errors. All mass requests must be completed in writing on the forms available on the table at the entrance of the church. Completed forms may be placed in the offertory basket or brought to the parish office. If you have any questions, call the office at 570-443-9944 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH Services: Sunday 9 & 11 a.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

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

Starting September 7 hours will be Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., closed Thursdays. As always, you can call the church office and leave a message for any inquiries.

A flea market and bake sale is set for September 11 at St. Paul's from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. A chicken bbq will also be held from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. You can sign up for the chicken bbq in the narthex, or call the church office and place an order. Please reserve in Cost is \$10 per dinner. The bbq is a drive-thru event and they ask that you drive around to the

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A flea market is set for September 11 at St. Paul's from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Tables available please contact Lois Scott at 570239-7421. A chicken bbq and bake sale will also be held. The Food Bank continues to

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Todd Glasmire, Pastor

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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 worship service, after the Children's Moment. It takes place in the lower level of the church.

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.

Sunday worship: Traditional, 9 a.m.; contemporary family, 5 p.m. with Holy Communion on 3rd Saturday and first Sunday of month.

Sunday School at 10:15 a.m. All visitors are welcome!

If you are in need of pastoral care, call Pastor Dave at 570-443-7153 or e-mail him at dbotzer@hotmail.com.

