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• CASH GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP PHOTO! PG. 2!

## 2025-2026 school calendar approved, fire alarm upgrades planned in all schools

- BY DAVID SCHAEF Community News

12, voting session.

tober 13, for a teacher's in-service detectors. day, students off Oct. 31 for a teacher's in-service day, Thanksgiving Monday, Dec. 1, Christmas break President's Day Feb. 16 [a snow Day if needed]; Easter break April ton, D.C.. 2 through April 6, though April 6 June 4, 2026.

fire alarm monitoring services, the cost is \$24,706. school directors approved a 3-year agreement with Canadohta Secu- general fund bills in the amount rity Group beginning July 1, 2025, of \$2,042,773.07, capital project and ending June 30, 2028, coverbills in the amount of \$3,950, and



ing all district buildings at a cost of \$6,240 per year.

In addition the setup with Ca-A 2025-2026 school calendar nadohta will include replacing/upwas approved when Conneaut grades on fire panels, annuciators, School directors met in February smoke detectors, and pull stations and boxes in all the buildings at Students will begin the upcom- varying costs including replacing ing school year on Wed., Aug. 27, the heat detectors at the Alice L. the teacher calendar beginning two Schafer Annex building, ASE the days before, with students off Oc- only building currently with heat

Total costs will range over \$61,238, to be covered by capital break from Wed., Nov. 26 through project funds, not general funds, the district now working on the Dec. 24 - Jan. 4, Martin Luther budget that begins July 1. Hopes King Day off January 19, 2026, and are to hold off on any tax increases a teacher's in-service day Jan. 20, pending final state support action and federal funds from Washing-

Another construction type projcould be a snow day if needed, off ect approved by the school di-Memorial Day May 25, with the rectors includes hiring Tower last student day of school June 4 Engineering to look at replacing with graduation set for Thursday, the hot water recirculating system at the high school where water line Noting a need for burglar and leaks/breaks have been occurring.

> January bills paid included cafeteria food service bills in the amount of \$73,306.36.

> Costs for workers for kindergarten signups March 19 and March 25 were also approved.

### Lake council hires new streets worker, no plans for a Dollar General store

BY KALEIGH WHITE

for Community News

The Conneaut Lake Borough Council held their monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 12th, at the Town Hall in Conneaut Lake. Present were Dick Holabaugh, Council President; Penny Monahan, Council Vice-President; Jim Tigri, Mayor of Conneaut Lake; be June 14th. Kristen Barbaro, Secretary/ Treasurer; Matt Jorden, Solicitor; and Council Members John Chuev (via video conference). Bill Eldridge, and Jim Ross.

The meeting began promptly at 7:01 pm with a salute to the flag.

After a request from Eldridge for a small change to the were approved unanimously.

for roll call votes be rotated so he is not always first, citing that they used to do it that way in years past; the board agreed that that would be

A representative from the gym sponsoring a triathlon came to share details about the proposed route. The date of the triathlon will

Julia Catalano of the Conneaut across from Our Lady Queen Lake Historical Society requested of the Americas Roman Cathusage of the pavilion at Fireman's Beach for Paddlefest on August 2nd. There was discussion of the no community members at the days they would need, and it was decided they would reserve it for Sunday as well as Saturday in case

The Revitalization Committee construction. He finished by previous month's minutes, they reported that they are still waiting asking that - See Lake page 2

for their first reimbursement DeBlasio asked that the order for the Green Light Go Project for 3rd and 4th Streets.

> The Beach Committee reported that there have been 26 payments received for dock rentals this year.

> It was noted that the borough planning commission voted to not take action on the inquiry about building a Dollar General store on Rt. 285, olic Church .

> DeBlasio commented that meeting held were interested in this, and that there was not an official request made by the persons seeking to do

### Conneautville appoints temporary tax collector

BY KALEIGH WHITE

for Community News

On Monday, February 10th, the Conneautville Borough Council held their monthly meeting at the Fellows Club Fire Hall. Those in attendance included Allen Clark, Mayor of Conneautville; Bill Ingols, Council President; Sheila Mahoney, Council Vice President: Deana Seitz, Council Secretary; Council Members Gary Clark, Tim Prince, Jessica Loughner and Amanda Scott; and Alan Shaddinger, Solicitor. Absent from the meeting was Council Member Ken Hoovler.

The meeting was called to or- the borough's obligation to pay, but der promptly at 7:01pm with the Shaddinger informed her that the pledge to the American flag.

with previous minutes being approved unanimously.

A community member came to question a bill she received for work on her water line and to ask the borough about the borough's presumed obligation.

The council informed her that for any work leading up to the meed some supposed laws regarding to run.

borough's ordinances state they are The meeting began smoothly not responsible for the water lines on private property. No action was taken by the council.

Tax collectors from neighboring municipalities were present to offer their help in collecting the borough's taxes since the recent passing of their tax collector.

The council thanked them for the property owner is responsible their offer, and informed them that Seitz will be appointed to take ter, and the council is only respon- care of it until the next election, at sible for water line work before the which point they may need to remeter. The community member cit- ceive outside help if there is no one - See Elect page 10



REGION 5 CHAMPS - The Conneaut Area Senior High girl's basketball team claimed the Region 5A championship this basketball season, the first Region Championship of any CASH team since it organized into one high school in the 2012-13 school year. Team members, from left, are, Micky Bernhardt, Abby Potts, Emma Fuller, Andzia Pietroski. Kaitlyn Crabb, Lainie Harrington, Morgan Poff, Courtney Perrye, Bre Dendis, Paige Davis, Lilly Detelich, Lexi Grout, Averi Wolf, and Kaidence Hays. The team began post season play on Saturday, Feb. 22, vs. Franklin. See Sports page 15.

#### Lake

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the council be "cognizant" of the community's time and energy.

The Personnel Committee reported that they received over 50 applications for the position of Public Works Supervisor. After reviewing the applications, they chose an applicant who was pres-Brian Leuthold.

They also reported that they had been approved for a \$500,000 bond for Barbaro; Holabaugh thanked Ross for his hard work and dedication given to this committee.

sion's new officer was in training, bringing them up to eight officers and the chief.

Tigri gave his usual report on activity from the local police and fire departments. There were 18 EMS calls and 139 police calls, including one motor vehicle crash, 13 traffic stops and two requests for officers.

Tigri also made mention of a reent at the meeting. His hiring was cent rise in cars being stopped for approved unanimously. Hired was not having their tail lights on. He asked that people be more mindful of if their lights are on, as not all cars have automatic lights.

The CLCDC requested permission to make the woolly mammoth sculpture at Fireman's Beach fully Tigri reported that the Conneaut ADA compliant. DeBlasio stated Lake Regional Police Commis- that he believed that the governing

bodies that consider them for grants are likely to not give money to the borough if they are already giving money to the Community Development Committee, and that there were improvements that needed to be made to the sewer lines to save them from spending more money in the future.

He asked that they "coordinate better on every penny that comes from the state to the borough. (The council) needs to look at it as a cumulative thing."

Eldridge described DeBlasio's comments as "a complete distortion of reality," and said he believed those thoughts were conjecture and grant money is not looked at in that way.

#### CRAWFORD COUNTY **POMONA GRANGE**

The March quarterly meeting of Crawford County Pomona Grange will be hosted by Atlantic Grange on Saturday, March 1st.

A tureen lunch will begin at noon with the host Grange providing table service and beverages. Lunch will be followed at 1:00 p.m. with the business meeting and program.

The program will be in charge of Arvilla Allen, Pomona Lecturer, with the Atlantic Friends & Flower Club presenting the program.

During the business meeting, committee reports will be given.

"I don't like the suggestion that allowed DeBlasio to finish and Elour hard work, and the great improvements we've done for this town, are the reason why (the council) has not gotten funding for improving the sewer and water in town ... It has nothing to do with (the woolly mammoth sculpture)."

that the construction to the woolly mammoth sculpture's landscaping will be paid for entirely by statement was not on the agenda, the CLCDC, and they will not be and that Holabaugh knew that it spending taxpayer money. The had only been discussed previmajority voted that Eldridge could ously in closed-door executive sescontinue with construction, with sion (which Holabaugh denied). DeBlasio voting no.

to allow CLABA use of various den said he could not to speak to borough properties for an art festival in July as well as for their annual Pumpkin Fest in October.

read a statement about his legal involve the borough council. matters against Eldridge. His statement outlined that he had served about how ordinance violations Eldridge a notice of a defamation were issued in the borough. He and libel lawsuit, and that he and his legal team "intend to issue subpoenas, and depose current and former members of the CLCDC, borough council and former borough received these notices when there employees."

During DeBlasio's statement, Eldridge attempted to get Holabaugh tions. to stop the statement, citing that it appropriate to discuss; Holabaugh was assured that there was no venignored this request and instead detta

dridge a chance to respond.

Eldridge said it was DeBlasio's "attempt to persuade the news media to print ... his whole pack of lies. He has no evidence, no proof whatsoever."

Eldridge also scolded Holabaugh Eldridge went on to explain for not stopping DeBlasio, stating that Holabaugh is supposed to control the meetings, DeBlasio's Holabaugh asked Jorden if it was The council voted unanimously appropriate or lawful, to which Jorappropriateness but that it was not technically unlawful but it is a private matter between the two coun-DeBlasio paused the meeting to cil members and does not directly

> A community member asked claimed he had received a few notices over the last few years in regards to his fence, his camper and his siding, and asked why he had are properties in the borough that are "much worse" than his viola-

The discussion was unfruitful, was a "legal matter" and was in- although the community member - See Violations page 6

#### **INSURANCES**



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### Active Aging

### Bair Family Center

237 South Pymatuning St., Linesville, PA

- Janet Wasserman, Center Manager

The Active Aging Bair Family Center is your local source of information and services for those in the community who are at least 60 years of age or married to someone who is at least sixty. Call the Center for more information at 814-683-4959.

The winter has been long, cold, for warmer weather and outdoor activities, so save Tuesday, June 24 for a safari adventure when The Bair Family Center along with The Active Aging Foundation sponsor an Anderson Bus trip to The Wilds of Ohio.

The website for The Wilds invites us to "Discover one of the largest and most innovative conservation centers in the world! Grab your camera and board our be no craft class on March 28. open-air safari vehicles for an exhilarating adventure through openrange landscapes."

More details about this trip will soon be available, so gather your friends and go on a safari!

Need a little extra money? A representative from Brad Roae's office will be here on February 26 from 10-11:30am to assist with filing for the Property Tax/Rent Rebates. Please bring all rent/property tax/ rent and income verification with you and no appointment needed as rick's Day Celebration with Irish applications will be completed on a first-come first-served basis.

If you are here, you might as well stay for lunch, so be sure to place your order by 10am on February 24.

Our next Lunch 'n Learn is this Jared McGary from Pymatuning State Park educates us on the Eagles of Pymatuning. Reserve your lunch (\$2.50 donation) by 10am Tuesday, February 25, and stimulate your taste buds and your brain at the same time!

last Friday Heart Health Activ- monthly newsletter for more infor-

ity as Kylie from Walberg Family Pharmacies (Linesville Pharmacy) joins us for Heart Scavenger Hunt Bingo with prizes and she will be providing blood pressure and pulse ox checks. Have fun while learning more about keeping your heart healthy.

March will be here before we and snowy and people are itching blink an eye, so mark your calendar now for our first Treasure Sale of 2025 scheduled for March 4-7 from 8a-2p each day.

> Crafty Fridays return in March and for just \$3.00 per class, you can learn a new craft or perfect an old one.

The schedule includes March 7: Diamond Dots, March 14: Beginning Crochet, and March 21: Managers Choice (surprise!). There will

Our first craft class in April features Tara McWilliams from Fired Up Ceramics teaching the technique of "dry brushing" on adorable Easter bunnies. The cost for this class (including all materials) is \$17.00 and is due by March 21.

More March goodness continues with our Lunch 'n Learn on March 13 on the Squirrels of PA presented by Stacey Marendt of Pymatuning State Park.

Then there is the annual St. Patmusic by The Rambling Potatoes on March 17.

We close out March with a flower arranging class led by the pros from Blossoms and Blooms on March 26 (\$45).

Looking ahead to another spe-Thursday on February 27, when cial date, April, the Bair Family Center hosts the 4th Annual Living Healthy and Strong Health Expo. This event is free and open to the public of all ages. Come and browse the displays of services available to keep you healthy and living independently.

Call the Center with any ques-We continue our celebration tions about our programs and acof Heart Health Month with our tivities and be sure to pick up our

mation. We have begun preparations for

our annual Bair's Cruise-In Pasta Dinner and are accepting donations of supplies for this important fundraiser.

Items needed include: Spaghetti noodles, pasta sauce - no meat (as a starter base, we add lots of spice and love to make it extra delicious!!), 10" heavy duty paper plates, small paper salad bowls, pop – any brand, any flavor, bottled water, and meatballs.

Donation of supplies in any amounts are gladly accepted and monetary donations to purchase supplies are also welcome—we will do the shopping for you!

This is a major fundraiser for us, and all proceeds benefit the services provided for those who are sixty and over. Thank you for your support!

Hot lunches are available every weekday for takeout or dine in for anyone in the community. Order lunch at least 2 days in advance by 10am, with orders for Monday and Tuesday meals due by 10am the preceding Thursday.

Lunches are available for a suggested donation of \$2.50 for individuals who are at least 60 years of age and \$4.50 for those under sixty. If you have a neighbor who could use a hot meal but is unable to go out to get one for themselves, you can place an order and pick up lunch for them. Meals to Go are available at 11:30am and Dine-In Meals at 11:45am.

The dine-in option not only aids in meeting your nutritional needs but also promotes socialization and connections which are part of healthy living. Plan to share a meal with us at least once per week – we think you will like it! Menus are always available at the Center, in the Active Aging ECHO, and online on the Active Aging Inc. website. Menus are subject to change based on availability.

Remember to check the Community News, The Active Aging ECHO, COOL 101.7, and our Facebook page (The Active Aging Bair Family Center) for updates about the Center or better yet, connect with us in person!

If you are on Facebook, please be sure to "Like" our page and posts and share us with your contacts and groups so that we can spread the word about what we have to offer the Community.

#### POLICE APPLICATIONS -----

#### LINESVILLE BOROUGH is accepting resumes for a full-time police chief/patrolman. Resumes shall include all police experience as well as other work-related

experience, current certifications,

letters of recommendation, con-

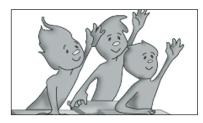
tacts, and salary range expected.

Resumes to be delivered or sent to Borough Secretary, 103 West Erie St., PO Box 145, Linesville PA

16424 before Thursday, February 27, 2025. Contact Linesville Borough

office at 814-683-4382 with any

questions.



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### **OBITUARIES**

#### John Jeffery Watson

away unexpectedly Sunday, Feb- clubs. ruary 9, 2025, from health issues.

He was born Monday, March 27, 1978, in Meadville, the son of Donald and Donna (Gower) Watson. He was a graduate of



Linesville-Conneaut-Summit High School in the Class of 1998.

For over 25 years, John was proud to be employed by Channellock in Meadville. He served as a union steward.

He was an avid San Francisco LINESVILLE - John Jeffery 49ers fan. John was very social Watson, 46, of Linesville, passed and was a member of several local

> He loved spending time with his nieces and nephews. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

> Survivors include his mother, Donna Gower of Linesville; sister, Joni Watson and her fiancé, Jack Fink, of Erie; brother, James Watson and his wife, Lindsay, of Meadville; four nieces and nephews, Justin Fink, Daylee Watson, Jagger Watson and Rylee Harlow; his fiancée, Lei Maitom; and many aunts and uncles.

> He was preceded in his passing by his father, Don Watson.

Calling hours held Thursday, February 13, 2025, at Royal-Coleman Funeral Home 6028 U.S. Highway 6, Linesville, and on Friday, February 14, 2025, until Andrew Hopkins, Matthew Hopthe time of his funeral service with Pastor Terry Smith of the Linesville First Baptist Church officiating.

Burial was private in Linesville

Memorial contributions may be made in John's name to the charity of the donor's choice.

Please share a condolence or memory of John for the family at Kevin Turner of Guys Mills. royalcolemanfuneralhome.com.

#### Karen L. Hopkins

MEADVILLE - Karen L. Hopkins, 79, of Saegertown, passed away Friday morning February 7, 2025, in Embassy of Park Avenue.

She was born Wed., April 28, 1945, daughter of Donald and Helen (Kelyman) Hornstein. She was a Class of 1963 grad-



uate of Linesville-Conneaut-Summit High School.

On January 2, 1988, Karen married Stanley F. Hopkins, VMD; he passed away May 23, 2012.

She was a very active member of New Beginnings Church of God.

Karen enjoyed cooking, traveling, and socializing with friends.

She was the owner/operator of Cuts and Curls by Karen for many

She is survived by three children, Scott LeMaster of Pittsburgh, Stanley Hopkins, Jr. and his wife, Margaret of Phoenix, AZ, Stacey Saegertown; eight grandchildren, the daughter of late Richard and

kins, Alexandria Joslin and her husband, Derrick, Jordan Turner and his wife, Brittni, Kendra Siever and her husband, Matt, Faith Joslin, Maria Hildebran and her husband, Tanner, and Eryn Joslin; five great grandchildren; a brother, Dale Hornstein and his wife, Sharon of Chestertown, MD; a son-in-law,

She was preceded in her passing by her parents, husband, daughter Kimberly Turner, son, David Davis,, and a brother, Donald Hornstein.

Her funeral service was held Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2025, at New Beginnings Church of God, 13226 officiating.

at the church on Tuesday, Feb. 11, Kodi, Amanda, and Garrett. 2025, from 11:00 AM until the time of service.

to WAID FUNERAL HOME, 581 CHESTNUT ST., MEADVILLE.

Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery, Harmonsburg.

Beginnings Church of God, 13226 12422 Conneaut Lake Road, Leslie Rd., Meadville, PA 16335, Conneaut Lake. Yolanda G. Barco Oncology Institute, 16792 Conneaut Lake be shared at www.rosefh.com. Rd., Meadville, PA 16335 or an animal shelter of one's choice.

Memories and condolences may be shared at www.rosefh.com

#### Gretchen D. Srock

CONNEAUT LAKE - Gretchen Kristin Hopkins and her husband, D. Srock, 62, of Conneaut Lake, passed away Monday, February 10, 2025, at her residence.

She was born in Jamestown, Joslin and her husband, Paul of PA, Sunday, November 22, 1962,

Delores Srock

She was a Class of 1980 graduate of Jamestown High School. Gretchen loved cooking, crocheting, and listening to audio



books. She also enjoyed her coffee and watching comedy.

Gretchen worked at Miller's Food Factory as a cook.

She is survived by her daughter, Leslie Rd., Meadville, with Rev. Ashley Flynn of Conneaut Lake; Curtis Clark, Pastor of the church, two sisters, Tracy (Doug) Miller and Adele (Bill) Boozer, five Family and friends were received nieces and nephews, Eric, Billy,

She was preceded in her passing by her parents, a sister, Heidi Srock Arrangements were entrusted and a brother, Richard Srock.

> Cremation was chosen and there will be no services.

Arrangements were entrusted to ROSE AND WAID FUNERAL Memorials may be made to New HOME & CREMATORY, INC.,

Memories and condolences may

#### Edgar J. Moree

CONNEAUT LAKE - Edgar J. Moree, 75, of Espyville, passed away Friday morning, February 14, 2025, at Wesbury United Methodist Retirement Community.

He was born in Pittsburgh Sunday, February 27, 1949, a son of Edgar and Evelyn Moree. Edgar was



a Class of 1967 graduate of Langley High School.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, was an animal lover, and was a muscle car collector.

He was a member of Pymatuning Sportsman's Club, Conneaut Lake Sportsman's Club, and Clairton Masonic Lodge.

He is survived by his loving companion of 13 years, Kathleen "Kathy" DeFazio of West Mifflin, PA; two stepsons, Andy Mitrik and wife, Jacqueline and Ryan Mitrik and his wife, Melissa; four

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step grandchildren, Cooper, Mia, to the beach. Aidan, and Ashton; two cousins,

Eddie, as his friends referred to him, will be especially remembered for his larger than life personality and his many friendships he cherished.

He was preceded in his passing by his parents and his wife, Theresa Mitrik Moree.

Crematory, 12422 Conneaut Lake Road, Conneaut Lake. Family and friends were received at the funeral home Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2025 from 4:00-7:00 PM, and again on Thursday, Feb. 20, 2025, from 10:00 AM until the time of service.

Burial wase private in Beaver Cemetery and Mausoleum near Pittsburgh.

Memorial donations may be made to Crawford County Humane Society, 11012 Kennedy Hill Rd., by her loving husband, Stanley Meadville, PA 16335

ories may be sent to the family by her stepfather, Clayton Danforth. visiting www.rosefh.com

#### **Shirley Ann Weidner**

CONNEAUT LAKE - Shirley Ann Weidner, 92, passed away at Marquette Hospice House Monday, February 3, 2025, after a brief illness.

Shirley was born Friday, September 2, 19-32, in Meadville the daughter of the late Lee and Reba (Mo



Arthur) Johnson.

She graduated from Springboro High School.

Shirley married Stanley Weidner September 4, 1954, and dedicated her life to creating a loving home for him and their four daughters. Shirley was broken-hearted after losing the love of her life of 70 years on December 5, 2024.

"Nana", "Grammy" loved her family and understood what a great day, October 2, 1944, daughter of gift her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren were to her. Along with her family, she loved gardening, crafting, camping, reading books and going

She made many memories with Joyce Tate and her husband, Steve her family at Presque Isle, Virginia and Kim Moore and her husband, Beach, FL, and Cape May. She was the "sunshine" of her families'

Shirley is survived by her four daughters, Joni Davis of Conneaut Lake; Connie Carter (Rob) of Hanoverton, OH; Darcy Paradise (Mark) of Edinboro, PA; and Melani Spaeder (James) of Erie, PA. She is also survived by seven His funeral service was held grandchildren, Tyler (Janet) Davis Thursday, Feb. 20, 2025, at of Wellington, FL; Wesley (Elyse) Rose and Waid Funeral Home & Davis of Greenwood, SC; Maggie (Hubert) Pierre of Smyrna, GE; McCavitt Carter (Susie Scott) of Arlington, VA; Lange Carter of Arlington, VA; Marcus (Rachel) Paradise of Fairview, PA; and Joshua (Erin) Paradise of Ambridge, PA. In addition, she is survived by six great grandchildren, Claire Davis, Zella Davis, Maisie Davis, Zoey Paradise, Jaxon Paradise, and Miles Paradise.

She was preceded in her passing Weidner, her brother, Bob Johnson, Online condolences and mem- her sister, Wilma McQuiston, and

> Her funeral service was held Friday, Feb. 14, 2025, at Rose and Waid Funeral Home & Crematory, 12422 Conneaut Lake Road, Conneaut Lake. Family and friends were received at the funeral home Thursday, Feb. 13, 2025 from 4:00-7:00 PM, and again on Friday, Feb. 13, 2025 from 10:00 AM until the time of service.

The family hosted a luncheon immediately following the service. The burial was in Spring Cemetery, Springboro.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Crawford County, 766 Liberty Street, Meadville, PA 16335 and/or Orphan Angels Cat Sanctuary, 5439 West Lake Road, Erie, PA,16505.

Online condolences and memories may be sent to the family by visiting www.rosefh.com

#### Virginia M. "Jean" Ellis

HARTSTOWN - Virginia Marie "Jean" Ellis, 80, of Hartstown, passed away peacefully at her residence Monday, February 17, 2025 surrounded by her family.

She was born in Meadville Monthe late Michael and Jane (Randazzo) Durkoske.

Jean graduated from Conneaut Valley High School.

She was a member of Our Lady

of the Americas Catholic Church in Conneaut Lake.



spaghetti dinners.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in her passing by her husband of 41 years, Gerald Ellis.

She is survived by five sons; Michael Ellis and his wife, Julie, Raymond Ellis and his wife, Dianna, Richard Ellis, Gerald Ellis Jr. and his wife, Erica, James Ellis, a special family friend, James Smith and his wife, Jeanine, and a brother, Joe Durkoske. Also surviving are nine grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Family and friends called at the State Street, Albion, Friday, February 21, 2025. A Funeral Mass was held Saturday, February 22, 2025, at 10 am at Our Lady Queen of the Americas Catholic Church, 155 S. 9th Street, Conneaut Lake, PA, with Fr. David Carter officiating. Burial was in McMichael Cemetery, East Fallowfield Township.

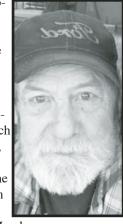
Memorials may be made in honor of Jean to Venango VNA Foundation, 491 Allegheny Blvd., Franklin, PA 16323.

To light a memory candle or leave a condolence, please visit www.matterafuneralhome.com

#### Daryl "Poke" E. Locke

CONNEAUT LAKE - Daryl "Poke" E. Locke, 70, of Conneaut Lake, passed away comfortably Sunday, Feb-

ruary 9, 2025, at Meadville Medical Center. He was born Tuesday, March 16, 1954, in Meadville, to the late Edson and Reita



(Morian) Locke.

Daryl was a Class of 1973 graduate of Conneaut Lake High School.

He worked various jobs before becoming disabled.

He was a social member at Station #3. He loved to fish in Conneaut Lake and hunt.

He loved his family very much. He enjoyed talking with people that he ran into while riding around town on his electric wheelchair.

He is survived by his son, Daryl Locke of Conneaut Lake; four grandchildren, Katilyn, Sean, Caden and Connor; his sister, Darcy Davis and her husband, Jim of Linesville, and his sister-in-law, Holly Locke of Guys Mills, and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in his passing by his brother, Danny Locke.

Family and friends called on Friday February 14, 2025, at Dickson Funeral Home and Crematory, 130 N. 2nd St., Conneaut Lake.

Please sign Daryl's online guestbook at www.hatheway-tedesco.

Arrangements were entrusted to Mattera Funeral Home, 188 East Dickson Funeral Home and Crematory, 130 N. 2nd St., Conneaut David K. - See Splitstone page 8 Lake, Rocco R. Tedesco III, Super-

#### **Carol Splitstone**

HARTSTOWN - Carol "Punkin" Splitstone, 67, of Hartstown, passed away at home Wednesday February 5, 2025.

She was born Thursday, April 4 1957, in Columbus, OH, to the late Leslie M. and Mabel G. (Smith) Reese. She married



David K. Splitstone October 16,

Carol graduated from Conneaut Lake High School in the Class of

She was employed at many local restaurants and bars including Momma Bears, Station 3 and Doggies Crystal Lake. She was a social member at Pumphouse 45.

In addition to her husband of 48 years, she is survived by her sons,

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## Area Bingo Calendar

#### **WEDNESDAY**

THE ACTIVE AGING Foundation Bingo Every Wednesday Night at the Community Center of Crawford County! Doors open at 4:30 pm; Games begin 6:30 pm. \$50 on singles - \$100 on Doubles. Win over \$2,000 in Jackpots; 4 guaranteed Jackpot games: 1-\$1,100; 1-\$400; 1-\$300; 1 - \$250! 2 additional extra games sold on floor only. Red, White & Blue Triple progressive Early bird jackpot game and the Count Down Game. 5 for 5 jugs included in all admission packets. 9 card admission packets start at \$25, extra books available at \$5 per book.

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Reserved seat requests must be submitted from noon the day before until noon the day of at 814-336-1792, ext. 158 and will be held only until 6 p.m.

Reserved seats are not required in order to play bingo - Walk-ins are always welcome!

Community Center of Crawford County, 1034 Park Avenue, Meadville. 814-336-1792.

Proceeds benefit Active Aging, Inc., programs & services. Person in charge - Joel Oertly, Development Director.

Bingo license # BNG22017; small games of chance license # SCG22100

rial Library is open on Mondays, and workshops are below. Please

CONNEAUT LAKE - It might Wednesdays & Saturdays from be cold and snowy outside, but 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM, Tuesdays & we have some exciting classes and Thursdays from 9:30 AM - 7 PM, workshops happening inside of our and Fridays from 9:30 AM - 2:30 warm library! The Shontz Memo- PM. A list of our upcoming classes

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Monday, Feb. 24th from 1 - 3 PM. Make beautiful handmade cards to give away. \$5 for 2 cards or \$10 for 4 cards.

Rent Rebate Clinic: On February 28th, from noon - 2 PM, Brad Roae's office will be hosting a Property Tax/Rent Rebate Clinic at the Shontz Library to assist people with completing their applications. The program is open to those 65 years and older; widows and widowers 50 years and older; and people with disabilities 18 years and older. No registration is required for this event.

Spin Your Yarn: Thursdays AND Saturdays at 11 AM. Bring your project and join us for an hour of knitting & chatting! This program is free and open to the public.

Reading to the Dogs: Parents - if your 6-12 year old finds reading to be a challenge, sign up for our "Reading to the Dogs" program, taking place every Wednesday after school from 2:30-3:30 PM with Paws Hand Delivered Therapy Dogs.

Story Hour: Our weekly preschool Story Hour happens on Wednesdays at 10 AM. Toddlers, preschoolers and homeschoolers are welcome to join us for a story, songs, games, crafts and an hour of

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Story Walk: Make time to take Creative Cards with Natalie: a walk around Conneaut Lake village to look for clues for the story "Snowflake Bentley" by Jacqueline Briggs Martin. Visit the library to pick up a map and head out for a fun, device-free activity for the whole family! (A special shout of the Shontz Library for creating this event!)

> Did you know that your library more. card gives you access to Libby, a online resources such as Craftsy, more about these free library resources!

free library kiosk in front of the and that they need to be treating library where you can take one people fairly and equally. (or more) books and leave one too. If you need a movie, try ecutive session to "discuss legal using Kanopy, an on-demand matters" around 8:45pm, and restreaming video platform that is grouped around 9:03pm. After the free for all CCFLS cardholders. session, DeBlasio motioned to ask Sign up with your library card to get access to thousands of movies, Eldridge's actions. The motion re-TV shows, educational videos and ceived no second. documentaries.

workshops are included below. Hall in Conneaut Lake. These Register at the library or call to meetings are open to the public. sign up: 814-382-6666.

Floral Design class! Blossoms & Blooms Boutique from Linesville Thur, Feb. 27 from 2 - 3 p.m.; Create a beautiful bouquet to take home or giveaway! \$40 /person. signup now!

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Violations

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against him, and that the council would look into why violation citations had not been issued to other offenders in the borough.

DeBlasio stated that punishment should be "fair and equal" in doling out punishment, and Holabaugh stated that the council agrees with him and they will work to find out

DeBlasio also stated, "I am a free library reading app that gives representative of Conneaut Lake," you access to thousands of online to which Monahan responded, "I titles? Libby also offers other am getting really tired of that; what do you think the rest of us are do-Law Depot, Universal Class and ing here? ... Every time you say Kovels. Visit our website to learn that, it is unspoken that the rest of us aren't here for the citizens." DeBlasio went on to explain that people he has talked to "want the Don't forget to check out the government out of their business,"

The board adjourned to exthe district attorney to investigate

The meeting adjourned at 9:06pm. The next meeting will be A list of our classes and held on March 12th at the Town

#### Job Fair at SCI Albion

On Tuesday, March 4, from noon to 6 p.m., SCI Albion, 10645 Route 18, Albion, is holding an on-site job fair. Those interested can meet with Department of Corrections representatives to learn about the benefits of a career in corrections.

Please bring two forms of identification.



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#### James A. Stone Memorial Library

CONNEAUTVILLE - So many good things are going on at Stone Memorial Library in Conneautville!

We have been having a really good time over here, despite the lingering snow and cold outside. If you are getting a little cabin fever, consider dropping by the library for one of our upcoming events, or to pick out some new and interesting reading. We have lots of new books including the latest offerings from Thomas Perry, Suzanne Woods Fisher, John Grisham, plus plenty of interesting nonfiction reads on topics ranging from sewing and baking to military and US history, and lots of new picks for kids, too. We have also been working on updating our DVD collection. Got a favorite author or movie? Give us a call and let us know what interests you. We are YOUR library.

#### Book Delivery Program

If you are a senior citizen and find it difficult to get out this time of year, but you really would like some new books to read, give us a call to sign up for our book delivery program! We want to support and appreciate our elders who have contributed so much to our community over the years by making sure they are not forgotten during these long winter days. If you have an interest in helping us deliver books to those who struggle to get out in the winter weather, give us a call and join our team!

SAVE THE DATE! Coming up on May 17, Stone Library will be conducting a Goodwill Donation Drive here at the library. If you want to support us but money is tight, please consider stopping by with your donations of clothing, electronics (working or nonworking), and household items. (A detailed list of acceptable and unacceptable items is available at the library and on our Facebook page.) The Goodwill truck will be here from 9am-4pm on May 17 to load your items directly into bins. We receive \$50 per filled bin, and your donated items will go to a good cause. If you cannot come on the 17th but would like to drop off items before that, we are happy to make arrangements with you. Just give us a call at (814) 587-2142. This fundraiser was very successful last year, and we would like to thank all those who donated. We are looking forward to another big success! Start putting aside your donations now!

If you plan to fill out a PA Rent and Real Estate Tax Rebate Application, Michelle McKeown from PA Rep. Brad Roae's office will be here to help on Monday, March 3, from 9-11 am. There is no need to make an appointment, but if you do come, remember to bring your signed rent certificate or proof of real estate tax, along with proof of income.

Federal, state and local tax forms are all available now at the library, along with applications for handicap parking placards and the LIHEAP program.

We will be out and about this month, visiting the local elementary schools. Look for us at Conneaut Lake Elementary School's Family Night on March 12, and again at Conneaut Valley Elementary School's Literacy Night on March 13! We will have fun games and prizes to share, as well as information about the library and our upcoming Summer Reading program.

Upcoming Events at the Library: Preschool Story Time - Thursday Mornings at 10:30 For the little ones, we have a weekly Preschool Story Time with the effervescent Mrs. Cheryl Cameron! Mrs. C puts a lot of heart and energy into every story time session. You will not be disappointed! There will be music and dancing, stories, crafts, and activities. We promise you many smiles. Upcoming Themes: Fruit (2/27), Balloons (3/6), Clifford (3/13), and...can you believe it?...FIRST DAY OF SPRING! (3/20).

After School Specials - Alternate Tuesday Afternoons at 4

For upper elementary students and their families, we offer a variety of presenters on topics designed to capture our imaginations and get us interested in new hobbies and pursuits.

Tuesday, February 25: Our favorite PA Game Commission Officer, Meagon Aikey, will talk to us about trapping.

Tuesday, March 11: Scouting America personnel will be here to share all about scouting! If you have ever considered scouting, or if you are interested in a revival of the Cub Scouts program in Conneautville, this is the program for you!

Tuesday, March 25: Cathy Vorisek, the Bee Lady, will be here to share all about bees.

Adult Book Club - Saturday, March 15, 2 pm

Book Club will be discussing Big Little Lies, by Liane Moriarty. Our April Book will be The Housemaid, by Frieda McFadden. Copies of Big Little Lies are now available to borrow at the library. There is no cost to participate.

Saturday Crafternoons - March 22.

## Valley Historical unit to meet

The Conneaut Valley Area Historical Society will meeting Monday, February 24, at 7:00 P.M. at 24928 State Hwy 18, Springboro.

Members and all residents are welcome to become involved with the Society as the club is "Age Burdened". Active members are getting older and "Young Blood" is needed to become involved in the organization: any age, young or older, to work with displays, cataloging donations, volunteering for Saturday Open Houses, maintenance and more.

Contact the society if you have a few hours you can contribute.

# Springboro Library happenings - A Gold Level Library -

SPRINGBORO - We are having a lovely February. The Valentine Scavenger hunt was a fun time! We hide valentine themed pictures throughout the library. The children enjoyed searching for the clues and winning a sweet treat at the end of the hunt. The adults and teens made a "Wood Stained Heart Craft." It was a cozy evening and something fun for our patrons to do during this cold season.

On Saturday, February 15th we had our Valentine Party. It was a wonderful time spent with friends! The children brought valentines and candy to share and they decorated such cute valentine boxes. We had a garfield, shark, minecraft, hunting, unicorn, dinosaur, minion, books, flowers, ducks, newspaper, summer, and valentine decorated boxes! So much talented! We played three games "Roll a Heart M&M", "Blow me a Kiss Pom Pom Races", and "Valentine

Bingo"! Then we had a delicious lunch that Pastor Keith and friends provided for us. Thirty-three people attended the party! Thank you to all of our patrons for coming and being a part of the party even with the snowy weather! We love all of our patrons!

Our "Book Sale" was February 21st and 22nd Friday and Saturday 9am-4pm. Books priced by donation. Support the library and maybe find a treasure along the way. Coffee and donuts will be provided as well!

On Thursday night, February 27th, we will have a "Children's Cookie Decorating Contest" and the "Adult Social Club" at 6:00 pm.

The adult social club is a time for the adults to visit with others in the community. If you bring your kids that same evening for the craft you can chat, bring a game to play, and/ or have a coffee with other families too! Sign up for the cookie decorating contest on our Facebook page or give us a call.

Our "Game Night" was fun last month we  $\,$  - See Library page 11



### **OBITUARIES**

#### **Splitstone** - from page 5

reena of Linesville, and William needed the Splitstone and his wife, Lindsey of McKean, PA; eight grandchildren; her sister, Nancy Ebbert of Hartstown, and her brothers, Chuck Reese of Conneaut Lake, and Ken Reese of Hartstown.

She was preceded in her passing by her parents.

A Celebration of Carol's Life will be held at a later date.

Please sign Carol's online guestbook at www.hatheway-tedesco. com.

Arrangements were entrusted to measure. Dickson Funeral Home and Cre-Lake, Rocco R. Tedesco III, Super-

#### Rhoda P. (Riley) Bailey

Our dear mother, Rhoda Pearl (Riley) Bailey, 78, sadly passed away Monday, January 20, 2025.

She was born Tuesday, February 5, 1946.

She was married 60 years to her best friend and loving husband, Franklin "Paul" Bailey of Geneva.

Rhoda was a wonderful mother,

grandmother and great grandmoth-Splitstone II and his wife, Sa- er who was always there when

> most; offering her support, wisdom, and love in abundance. Her life was a blessing and her memory a



treasure. She was loved beyond words and will be missed beyond

Rhoda loved mowing her lawn matory, 130 N. 2nd St., Conneaut and always had the best lawns in town. She also loved thrift shopping and cooking for her family.

She cared daily for her dear daughter, Peggy Sue, whom she fondly called "her angel and sweetheart."

She loved being surrounded by her family and adored all of her grandchildren and great grandchildren. They were all a special light in her life.

She is survived by her four chil-

(Sharon) Bailey, Jr., Melissa (Miles) Black and Peggy Sue Bailey; 11 grandchildren, Ryan (Heather) Hays, William (April) Bowman, Dalton Bowman, Leanna Bailey, Bailey (Alex St. Germain), Kaci Hyde, Kortni (Tyler) McConnell, Seth Black, Kylie Hyde (Dave Hinds) and Kaela (William) Blum; 12 great grandchildren, Carmen Bowman, Skylar Bowman and Trapper Bowman, Kaidence Hays, Jackson Dwyer, Amelia and Safia Keller, Nolan Blum, Logan Blum, Emerlynn Blum, Brooklynn Blum and Thomas Hinds, and a precious baby girl on the way; two sisters, Linda Piatt and Pam Riley; two sisters-in-law, Flavia Beil and Edna Bailey and a very special aunt that she adored and was named after, Rhoda (Pearl) Schneider. She also has several nieces and nephews that she loved very much.

Rhoda was preceded in her passing by her parents, John and Margaret "Peg" Riley and a nephew, Johnny Piatt.

Services for immediate family members were held at Dickson Funeral Home and Crematory, Conneaut Lake, PA.

There will be a celebration of life and burial services to be determined at a later date in the spring loved her.

Please sign Rhoda's online desco.com.

Arrangements have been entrust-Crematory, 130 N. 2nd St., Conneaut Lake, Rocco R. Tedesco III, Supervisor.

#### Wilberta "Bertie" Gibson

BROOKVILLE, PA - Wilberta Lee "Bertie" Gibson, 93, passed away in Brookville, PA, on Sunday, February 9, 2025.

She was born April 4, 1931, in Venango, PA, to the late Williard and Leda (Williams) Amy. She married Theodore Gibson April 10, 1952; he preceded her in passing on May 26, 2001.

She was a member of the Valley United Methodist Church, Conneautville, and loved singing in the choir and helping in any way she

Bertie is survived by a daughter, Bonita (William) Champion, a daughter-in-law, Gail Gibson, four grandchildren, and 10 great-grand-Andrews, Robert Amy, Alan Amy and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in her passing by a son, Randall Gibson, two brothers: Lloyd Amy and Harold Amy, and a sister-in-law, buyer. He loved spending time on Juanne Gibson.

February 13, 2025, with Pastor Rebecca Mihm officiating. Interment and wife and daughter. Corey had

dren, Paula (Bill) Bowman, Frank for all whom Rhoda loved and followed at Castle View Cemetery in New Castle.

Memorial donations may be guestbook at www.hatheway-te- made to The Valley United Methodist Church of Conneautville, or to the Music Department of the Janie Bailey (Jimmy Keller), Katie ed to Dickson Funeral Home and First Presbyterian Church of Clar-

> Arrangements were entrusted to the care of MCCAULEY FUNER-AL HOME, 1405 Main St., Conneautville.

> Online Condolences can be left for the family at www.mccauleyfuneralhome.net

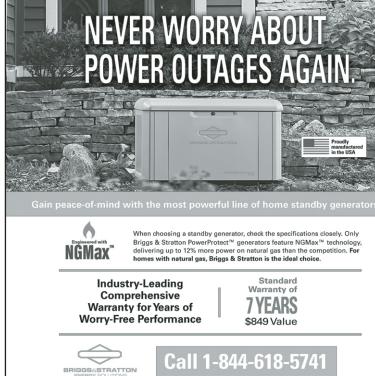
#### **Corey James Shields**

CONNEAUT LAKE - Corey James Shields, 40, passed away Friday, February 14, 2025.

Born on August 29, 1984, in McKees Rocks, PA, Corey was the son of Lynne Singletary Benjamin. He married his wife, Amanda M. Loutzenhiser, on July 10, 2010 and they were lucky enough to share 18 beautiful years together, culminating in their beautiful daughter and Corey's pride and joy, Delilah.

A graduate of French Creek Valchildren, three siblings: Marceline ley Christian School in 2002, most recently Corey worked as a buyer for Zurn Industries, Pex Division. But his real passion was fishing. He spent over 10 years at Fish USA working his way from a customer service representative to a lead the lake, on the shore and in the Calling hours were Thursday, creeks of NWPA waterways with great friends, his brothers, nephews





been working towards hours to get doing that spent time with his best Susan C. (Parenti) Levier. friend on Lake Erie, learning the ropes from the best.

In addition to the cherished time he spent fishing with his buddies, he enjoyed hunting, and was a big and loved riding horses, fishing, fan of UFC, Penguins Hockey, Ohio State Athletics, and the 49ers. Above all, he took immense pride iting with friends annually at the in being a father to his daughter, Jamestown Fair. One of Lori's Delilah, whom he adored.

Corey leaves behind his loving wife, Amanda Shields and cherished daughter, Delilah Shields both of Conneaut Lake; his mother, Lynne Benjamin of Townville; maternal grandmother, Nancy Shorts of Townville; sister Sonia Shields of Townville; brothers Frank Shields (Theresa), Joe Shields of Greenville; a stepdaughter, Sa-(Kelly), and Aaron Benjamin all mantha Alford, of Espyville; two of Townville; nephews Christian stepsons, Carter James Alford and and Jackson; nieces Mallory and Jack Allen Alford, both of Sandy Makenna; uncles Walt Shorts (Bil- Lake; two sisters, Jadee Myers of lieJo) of Drumore, Pennsylvania Jamestown and Stacy Buccarilli of and Tracy (Rhonda) Singletary of Conneaut Lake; father-in-law Fred Loutzenhiser of Conneaut Lake; sister-in-law Alicia Kenny (Tyler) of Meadville; and countless fishing friends. He is preceded in death by his maternal grandfather Harold Shorts, sisters Jane and Ivah Benjamin, niece Gabriella Shields, and Randall Funeral Home and Cre-

A private Celebration of Life Jamestown. will be held in the near future, with the details to be announced later.

The family requests that memorial donations be made to a Memorial Scholarship in Corey's memory to be created at Crawford Christian Academy, 543 Randolph Street, Meadville, PA 16335 or at www.crawfordchristianacademy. org/donate/ or a local fishing club or organization such as the Sam Tomlin Memorial Tackle for Tots.

Please take a moment to share a memory or condolence on Corev's Book of Memories online at www. WarrenFH.com.

Arrangements are in the care of Ryan M. Warren Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc., 544 Chestnut Street, Meadville.

#### Lori S. Alford

ATLANTIC - Lori S. Alford, 52, of Maple Lane, E. Fallowfield Twp., Atlantic, passed away Friday morning, February 14, 2025, in her residence.



She was born in Clarion on Febhis PA Captains License, and while ruary 15, 1972, to Richard M. and

Lori attended Jamestown High School and had been employed for Corey had a true zest for life. several years as a home healthcare

> She was of the Protestant Faith camping, and attending family gatherings. She also enjoyed visgreatest joys was her beloved dog, "Huckleberry."

On August 25, 2021, she married Christopher S. Alford; he survives.

In addition to her husband, Lori is survived by her father, Richard M. Levier, of Jamestown; a daughter, Ashley N. Dickson, of TN; a son, Joseph M. Pomponio Sharon: a brother, Richard A. Levier, of Jamestown; and a grandson, Nolan Pomponio.

She was preceded in her passing by her mother.

A funeral service, following calling hours, was held Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2025, at Loutzenhisergrandmother-in-law Ruth Pracejus. mation Services, 416 Liberty St.

> Online visitors are welcome to sign the guest book and view a Video Tribute at www.loutzenhiserfuneralhome.com.

#### Gary S. Augustine

GREENVILLE, PA - Gary S. Augustine, 71, of Tanner Rd., W. Salem Twp., Greenville, passed away peacefully in his residence with his family at his side on Wednesday evening, January 15,

He was born in Greenville on May 13 1953, to Ruth (Randall) Augustine. Gary attended Conneaut

Lake Schools and retired from Garvin Guaranteed Specialty, Adamsville, where he was employed as a machine operator and worked in shipping and receiving for a to-

tal of 44 years. He was a member of Greenville F. O. E. #805 and Hartstown Pumphouse #45. Gary was a past volunteer firefighter with Fallowfield Fire and Rescue.

He enjoyed hunting, riding his Harley-Davidson motorcycle, vacations to the beach, and spending time with family and friends.

On June 25, 2002, Gary married the former Marcia L. McCright; she survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Valerie L. Reese of Hartstown; a son, Eric R. (Teresa) Srock; two sisters, Linda (Bill) Stright and Ann Valesky of Atlantic; a brother, Thomas Augustine, of Greenville;

Reese and Gage Reese; and many nieces and nephews.

by his mother and two brothers, Lewis Augustine and Daniel "Pete" Augustine.

A Blessing Service was held Sunday, 1/19/25, in Loutzenhiser-Jordan Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc. 366-368 S. Main St., Greenville, with Tom Moore, friend of the deceased, officiating. Calling hours preceded time of service.

Memorial Contributions may be made to F. O. E. #805, 283 Main St., Greenville, PA 16125.

Online visitors are welcome to sign the guest book and view a Video Tribute at www.loutzenhiserfuneralhome.com.

### **Special needs** program noted

In cooperation with Erie County, Warren County and Forest County, Crawford County is launching a Special Needs Registry for those residing in Crawford County with physical and/or intellectual disabilities.

The program will help to make first responders aware that an individual may require special assistance or instruction during an Emergency situation.

This voluntary, free program is available online and information received is stored in 911's com-

two grandchildren, Mason (Alex) puter aided dispatch system for a pre-designated period of time.

Information can be relayed to He was preceded in his passing responders via Mobile data Terminal (MDT), radio or other means during a call when responding to a registered address of someone with special needs.

> This program is generously supported with funding from Crawford County human services.

> Information regarding the program along with stickers and window cling decals are available at all branches of the Crawford County Federated Library System.

> For more information regarding this incredible new program in Crawford County, please contact Greg Beveridge via phone or email: Gregory M. Beveridge, Director Crawford County Department of Public Safety, 632 Pine Street | Meadville, PA 16335;

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#### **Elect**

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port was "This is Our Home, Get calls, local churches and civic orga-

Involved." The report highlighted local achievements of 2024 as well During the Mayor's Annual Re- as local opportunities for involveport, A. Clark encouraged people ment, including the grant received to get to know their neighbors to improve storm water manageand to really get involved with the ment on Washington Street, the community. The theme of his re- VFD running a large number of

nizations, and community events.

The Administration and Finance Committee reported there was an issue with the software used to keep track of accounts, but there were still certainly overdue accounts and accounts scheduled for

As of this meeting, Rolling Fields had not paid their water bill. They owe the borough over \$33,000.

estimates for redoing the electric at Lord Mason Park.

The borough's for fixing a broken garage door on their maintenance building;

He also mentioned his part-time Malone. Absent were Crystal Neisemployee's specific and practical wonger, Tammy Foringer, Dave knowledge, and described him as Mukina and Diana O'Neill. Mayor "irreplaceable."

The meeting adjourned at on Monday, March 10th at 7:00pm in the Fellows Club Firehall.

### **Springboro** Mahoney said she is looking for meeting cancelled

Springboro borough council was maintenance unable to hold their scheduled Febemployee came with an estimate ruary council meeting as only 3 of 7 members showed up.

Present were Lynette Wehe was asked to get more quotes. ber, Keith Shauberger, and Mike

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Heather Damico was also absent.

Some discussion was held on 8:06pm. The next meeting will be proposed work rules for streets and water operator Mike Malone who spoke to what he thought were rules which would impede his work efforts.

> The secretary was told to pay bills coming in if a late fee was involved prior to council's scheduled March meeting.

#### Lake regional police chief notes retirement date BY KALEIGH WHITE

for Community News

The Conneaut Lake Regional Police Commission held their monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 19th, at the Sadsbury Township Building. Persons present included Dick Holabaugh, President of Conneaut Lake Borough Council and Chair of the Commission; Kevin VanHonk, Chair at Sadsbury Township; Jim Tigri, Mayor of Conneaut Lake; Eloise Settlemyre, North Shenango Township Supervisor; Lyle Hoover, Sadsbury Township Supervisor and Vice-Chair of the Commission; Bonnie Smith, Sadsbury Township Supervisor; Todd Pfeifer, Chief of Police; and Rose Mumau, Secretary.

The meeting was called to order with a pledge to the American flag.

The meeting began smoothly, with the previous month's minutes, bills to be paid and the financial reports all being approved unanimously.

There was discussion of hiring a new provider to manage their web-

Due to state and federal regulations, there are a lot of security requirements that the site must maintain; this makes it difficult to find companies both competent and willing to take over as their website manager.

It was ultimately decided to hire Blue Canopy Marketing of Meadville. The startup cost for their website will be \$3,500, and they voted to start with the basic monthly subscription plan at \$60 per month.Mumau mentioned it will likely come out of the Capital Expenditures budget.

Pfeifer formally announced his retirement, - See Retire page 11

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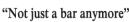
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#### Library

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games that were played were "Sorry" and "Chinese Checkers." Thank you to those who brought games and attended! It was fun visiting with friends in our community!

another "Goodwill Drive." Check stops in Sadsbury, and 4 citations out the donations guidelines page and please bring items to donate to the library from 9am-4pm. Stop by the library for the guidelines or look on our Facebook page. Someone will help you unload the items from your vehicle. The more bins we fill the more money it makes our little library! Call the library for any questions.

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Ask us about our Inter-Library Loan books the next time you visit our library!

#### Retire

#### - from page 10

with July 5th slated to be his last

He was very grateful for the time he was able to serve, but expressed it is time for him to retire so they can "get some new blood" in the department.

After 41 years of service, the commission thanked him for his service and continued dedication leading up to his final day as chief.

In the month of January, there were 82 calls in Sadsbury Townhad thirteen attend. A couple ship, resulting in four incident reports; 33 calls in the borough, resulting in two incident reports; and 32 calls in North Shenango Township, with one incident report filed.

The year-to-date total of calls is 149, with seven incident reports On February 28th, we will have filed. There were also 18 traffic given; 13 stops in the borough, with one citation given; and 2 stops in North Shenango with no citations given.

The meeting was adjourned to

executive session at 6:57pm.

The next meeting will be held on school has already passed? Tuesday, March 18th, at 6:30pm at the Sadsbury Township Building.

### **Valley News Beat**

• Conneaut Valley **Elementary School News By Kade Fedinetz** and Grace Burkey

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worked on 100th day of school ingusing input output tables. activities. Mrs. Thomas class has vowel pairs, and they did a 101 math, they

Dalmatian theme for the 101th Mrs. Linz class is learning the day of school. Our fourth grade is op/og world family, and they have studying geometry, and multiply-

Mrs. Cyphert's class has been been working on food groups, learning about presidents and in - See CVE page 13



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#### Organization/regular meeting held at East **Fallowfield Township**

January 6, 2025

East Fallowfield Township meeting room Atlantic, Pa. 1:00 PM

1. The Organization meeting of the East Fallowfield Township to order by temporary Chairman, Doug White, Jan. 6, at 1:00 PM. Present also at the meeting were Supervisors Kevin Kean, and Andy Kosar, and Secretary/Treasurer Donna Kean.

Andy Kosar nominated Doug White as the permanent Chairman. Kevin Kean seconded the motion. Voted for, Kevin, Doug, and Andy

nominate Donna Kean as the Secretary/Treasurer, to leave the Treasurer's Bond at \$500,000.00, and to make the office hours Wednesday 4:00 PM-6:00 PM and by appointment. All voted for

White made a motion to nominate Kean as Vice-Chairman. Motion passed.

White made a motion to nomi-Board of Supervisors was called nate Andy Kosar as Road Master. K Kean seconded the motion. Voted for, Kevin, Doug, and Andy.

> White made a motion to nominate Daniel Kean as the Vacancy Board Chairman. Andy Kosar seconded the motion. Voted for, Andy, and Doug. K. Kean abstained because Daniel Kean is his brother.

White made a motion to nominate Attorney Alan Shaddinger Doug White made a motion to as the Township Solicitor. Kevin

Kean seconded the motion. Voted for, Kevin, Doug, and Andy.

White made a motion to nominate Timothy Latta as Emergency Management Coordinator. Motion carried.

Kean made a motion to nominate Deiss & Halmi Engineering, Inc. as Township Engineer. Voted for, Kevin, Doug, and Andy.

White made a motion to set wages as follows for employees, all part-time (effective 1/6/25). Kosar seconded the motion. Voted for Kevin, Doug, and Andy.

Andy Kosar (Roadmaster) -\$19.85; Bill Hanna - \$16.54; Levi Byler - \$16.54; Snow Plowing -\$19.85.

Working Supervisor Pay - \$19.85 (recommendation to the auditors)

Base wages: person witrh CDL - \$15.00, Non CDL - \$12.00, mowing & summer help -\$8.50.

Dustin Baird (mechanic) - \$30/ hr, \$16.54/hr (road crew employ-

Secretary wages - \$9,478.06/ year salary, part-time, and \$200.00 monthly health insurance supplemental pay (paid through payroll).

White made a motion to reaffirm the following rates:

- Real Estate Millage 7 mills, discount rate of 3%, penalty rate of 10%,
- Per Capita Rate \$5.00, discount rate of 3%, penalty rate of
- Occupation rate \$1.00, discount rate of 3%, penalty rate of
- Earned Income Tax Collector and Commission (1.57% based on contract between Berkheimer and the TCC).
  - Realty Transfer Tax 1%.

Voted for, Kevin, Doug, and

13. Doug White made a motion to reaffirm the Tax Collector Commission of 5%. Voted for Kevin, Doug, and Andy.

White made a motion to approve the following meeting dates for 2025: Jan 6 @ 1:00 PM (organization & regular), Feb 12, Mar 12, April 9, May 14, June 11, July 9, Aug. 13, Sept. 10, Oct 8, Nov. 12, and Dec 10. Budget meeting Oct. 29, will include anything else that comes before the board. All monthly meetings, except the organization/January, will be held at the township building at 5:00 PM. All in favor.

The Township paid \$3,113.60 to the Fire Department in December 2024 which represents the annual donation of \$5,500.00 minus the diesel fuel used by the Fire Department.

### FIRST FRIDAY NIGHT BINGO **FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2025!**

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#### **Linesville Library**

LINESVILLE - We continue to work hard to offer more programs to our community! Please continue to watch for new programs and opportunities we have to offer!

February is proving to be a very busy month for the library! Sack Supper Book Club! Our new teen book club! Do you have a teen looking for some inspiration to read? Maybe they would like to read with other kids their age and discuss what they are reading. With this book club, we will be including a sack dinner. The book they will be reading is, The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo. Please contact us to get your teen added to our book club!

Jared will be coming to tell us some History of the Spillway! Come in on Feburary 27th at 6pm, to discover new information you at 6:30pm. may have never heard before! Also stay tuned for details on a possible at 4:30 pm. Bring the kids and watch party of the Pymatuning CCC talk that is happening on February 12.

Monthly Programs...

Book Club meets Wednesday at 9:30 am.

Pokemon is back with a new leader! It continues to be at 4:30 pm on the 2nd Monday every month!

Storyhour is every Wednesday at 11am. Come join in on a fun story, with an activity/craft and snacks!

Dungeons and Dragons meets the 2nd and 4th Saturday every month starting at 10am.

Game Night! On the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 4:30pm we are offering a game night to get everyone out on these chilly winter evenings! We have games here, but inspiration for improvements to you are welcome to bring any that you would like to share!

Art with Paula is the 3rd Saturday of every month at 9:30am! A different art project each month at \$10, with everything provided! You just need to bring yourself!

Plant Chat! Where we discuss garden maintenance to help us all be successful with our gardens! Every 3rd Wednesday of the month

Movie Night every 4th Tuesday enjoy a snack while watching a family fun movie!

Thursday of every month at Nucle- Libby as well!

This is a BYOB (Bring your own book) book club. We discuss any books we are reading and get ideas for books that we may want to read

Coming with a book is not a requirement! Sometimes you are just looking for ideas! Or maybe you remember a book that you have read before, and want to share!

Mark Your Calendar:

Wednesday, February, 26th, the library will be CLOSED as Professionaly Development Day. So we can continue to get our library and programs!

Please keep following us for new programs coming up! We are continuously adding events to the calendar to keep our community engaged. If you have any ideas for programs or classes that you would like to see us offer, please let us

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#### CVE - from page 11

will be doing algebraic expressions. Our second grade is going to be graphing and will also be reading nonfiction and having an Iready party. Mrs. Dendis class will be working on fractions and the American Revolution.

Monday, February 24, 2025, The Community News - 13

### **North Shenango leaders** hears zoning proposal

BY DAVID SCHAEF

Community News

North Shenango Township supervisors heard a report from Gary Johnson who has been hired to update township zoning rules and in February voting session Febru-

preliminary report and covered a and allow mobile manufactured number of topics before the audience of 30 people.

tem and have community development objectives.

Topics included dark sky/light pollution, glare of signs; recreational vehicle regulations to include 1 storage building of not more than 100 square feet as a regulations when supervisors met permitted accessory use; dwelling sizes, with a minimum of 720 square feet; back yard set back reg-Johnson said the report was a ulations; wind energy regulations; homes as a single family dwelling. He covered other areas of possible Johnson said township needs zoning with supervisor Dan Dickey such to protect and promote public saying the continuing review of a health, protect main highway sys- new updated - To Updates page 15



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We hope that you can join us. We are located at 14261 Cemetery Road in Harmonsburg.

Here at the Henretta Memorial Public Library, we've been busy adding new books to our shelves. Stop by and take a look at what we have to offer. Library is at 14261 Cemetery Rd., Harmonsburg, off Route 18 & Harmonsburg Rd. Call (814) 547-1136.

All the library events are casual. Henretta Library has a vision to be a safe, joyful meeting place in the community.

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### The CASH Report

• Conneaut Area **Senior High News** •

In CASH sports, girl's basketball, CASH defeated Titusville, 58-22, at Titusville, Feb. 13, and secured the first girl's basketball Region title in CASH history dating from 2012-13.

CASH ended the regular season at 16-6 overall and 7-1 in the Region.

CASH outscored Titusville 39-14 in the middle two quarters.

Morgan Poff: 7 rebounds, 7 steals, 3 assists, 14 points

Lainie Harrington: 7 rebounds, 6 assists, 4 blocks, 16 points

Kaitlyn Crabb: 4 steals Courtney Perrye: 16 points

On Feb. 6, CASH def. Franklin, 47-39.

Morgan Poff: 7 rebounds, 3 steals

Lainie Harrington: 5 rebounds, 4 steals, 3 blocks

Bre Dendis: 5 rebounds, 3 blocks.

The CASH girls were set to play Franklin on Sat., Feb. 22, in quarterfinal playoff action with the winner advancing to semifinal action on Feb. 26.

The winners of Feb. 26, play for the D. 10 crown on March 1, while the two losers vie for spots 3 and 4, as 4 teams in Region 4A action move into state playoffs.

Potentially the D. 10 4A winner and 4A runnerup could host a first round state playoff game.

The top four winners in the Region 4A playoffs qualify for the PIAA state playoffs.

In boy's basketball, CASH lost to Sharon, 55-41, in first round Class 4A playoff action at Farrell Feb. 18, to close out the 2024-25 season at 9-14.

CASH was the #14 seed, Sharon, who advanced, was #3 seed.

Shakir Jordan scored 14 points for CASH who was outscored 19-2 in the second quarter.

Nick Garcia added 14 points. Jordan, Luca Gabel, Gage Long, and Phoenix Humphreys depart the team as seniors.

On Feb. 14, CASH fell to visiting Oil City 70-56, outscored 34-18, in the first half.

Jordan led CASH pointmakers

Garcia added 18 points.

CASH traveled to Warren on February 11, and fell 75-60. Jordan scored 33 points for CASH while Alex O'Grady had 10.

CASH was outscored 41-24 in the second half.

At Linesville, Feb. 7, CASH was defeated by Fort LeBoeuf, 76-55, the game's highlight being Jordan scoring his 1,000 career point as an Eagle. Jordan scored 28 points in the game with O'Grady adding

In wrestling, CASH had 3 advance from the Section 1, 2A Tournament held at Meadville Feb. 14 and 15, the three then taking part in the District 10 Tourney Feb. 21 and 22. Top place winners there advance to the Regionals Feb. 28 and Mar. 1.

At 133, John Sandau finished 4th, Drew Dygert, at 285, finished 5th and at 114, Peyton Ranson was

Others from CASH who competed included Kaden Motter, Arlo Kozelka, William Free, and Chase

In girl's wrestling, CASH's Daylee Watson, a junior, won her 112-pound class to take the gold for a second straight District 10 title. She defeated Milla Perman from Hickory in a fall at 1:25.

Watson won the semi-final match via pin as well to improve to 16-11 on the year.. She will now take part in Regionals on March 1, at North Allegheny High School vs. wrestlers from District's 7, 8 and 10, with the top three in each class advancing to states.

### **Updated**

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zoning ordinance would likely be reviewed in separate public meetings, not continuing in the regular meetings as such takes away from the regular meeting matters

The township tax collector, who noted he was going to run for election this year apologise for taking so long to cash checks, saying he had no prior training and was planning on doing some upcoming training. He noted taxpayers can pay online and that he would do

A lady resident thanked the township and road crew for their help in getting a propane truck unstuck recently while another resi-

with 22 including 3, 3-pointers. dent thanked the road crew of two for keeping roads open in recent snowy weather. Dickey noted the township nearly out of antiskid and efforts to carefully use what they had in stock in case of emergency. He said the township used between 100 and 150 ton of anti skid so far

> A resident spoke of concerns about metal containers needing to be on skids and, after asking about who complaints on blight, etc., concerns should be handed to, dropped off a list of 7 complaints on the supervisor's table.

Supervisors have taken to having complaints being handed to them instead of the code enforcement of-

#### **Conneaut Township** supervisors re-organize

The reorganization meeting for Conneaut Township was held on January 6, 2025, at 7:00 am.

George Greig, Supervisor Chairman, opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance. The only other people in attendance were Supervisors Tim Greig and Jeffery Phillips and Secretary/Treasurer Telce Varee.

Officers elected for the 2025 year were George Greig---Chairman; Tim Greig---Vice Chairman; Telce Varee---Sec/Treasurer; Road Master - Ruled by Committee; Open Records ---Telce Varee; Solicitor---Alan Shaddinger; Sewage Permits---Michael Rinkevich; alternate sewage permits---Pete

#### **Linesville Historical** Society open

The Linesville Area Historical Society is open Tuesday - Thursdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. -2 p.m. at its main street Linesville site, across the street from the Linesville Pharmacy, of West Erie Street and South Pymatuning Street.

The society is open by appointment as well.

A wide range of historical artifacts including Indian arrowheads, information on Linesville borough history, and the building of the Pymatuning Lake - where the ducks walk on the fish line the walls and are in the display cases, to name a few of the items located within.

Memberships are welcome as are donations.

Spring meetings being planned.

Homchenko; Building Permits- ly wage to \$23.00 an hour. Proseck's Inspection; Building Reporting Permits--Telce Varee, wage increases this year. (Issued by township \$10.00 each); Proseck; Vacancy Board---Joshua from 2022: Fusco; Junk Yard Permit (\$500.00 per year)---Josh Fusco;

Civil Defense---Donnie Petak; Emergency Management- hr; --George Greig;

Alternate Emergency Manage- workers \$12.00 hr. ment-Michele Lisk; Fire Department Rep.-Michele Lisk;

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Meetings---2nd Tuesday each month @ 5:00pm during the Winter Months (Nov-Mar) and 6:00pm themselves. Amounts between during the Summer months (Apri-Oct) held At the Community Cenpervisors must be in agreement. ter on Center Road unless otherwise stated & advertised.

All Supervisors are Foremen.

The supervisors are not asking for a raise this year as they received a raise in 2022) bringing their hour-

The supervisors did not give any

The following is what employ-Code Enforcement Officer—John ees make now with the increases

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Seal Coat Tar & Chip for Conneaut Township was discussed and if the township was going to join the "Joint Seal Coat"bid.

The supervisors noted the township will not - See Seal page 16



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Contact Joanie [Berry Basket] for more information and to sign up by calling 814-282-2341. Also call Joanie for registrations on the Downtown Conneaut Lake Pumkinfest set for Oct. 10 - 12.

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Seal

join the joint seal coat bid, that the township would bid on their

Seal coat plans are to do the following - in 2025 - Airport, Carpenter and Cole Roads; 2026 - Maple and Lester Roads; 2027 - Reed, Partch, Steamburg, Phelps and Woodard Roads; 2028 - Wheeler, Tighe, West, Wallace, Swiden Roads; and 2029 - Gilliland, Debow and Rockwell Roads

This rotates back to the top and will be revisited each reorganization meeting.

Noted was the township does not maintain Denny Road, and that Townline and Vendal Roads are done by agreement with Summerhill and Spring Townships. Waring Roads have no tar and chip. The township does not maintain any roads in the Debow Allotments except Debow and Rockwell.

At the regular January meeting

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projects that the township could he was putting his sunglass on and apply for a Dirt and Gravel road hit the ditch.

recently a sink hole appeared on Airport Road near the Wheeler Rd intersection. Tim said it was about the size of a VW and they filled it in with blocks and gravel and are watching it. Depending on what is going on with that it could be a possibility for a Dirt and Gravel Road grant. G. Greig said he believes April 26, 2025, is the deadline to apply.

G. Greig asked if the W2's and W3 were done? Varee said yes and the Conneaut Township book would be ready to go to the auditors by the end of the month.

G. Greig said that they have been considering a setback ordinance and other building codes. He noted that Crawford County is updating their SALDO and that the supervisors are going to look at it and see how it would work for Conneaut Township.

G. Greig asked if the township had heard back from Alan Shaddinger about the addendum for the Outdoor Gathering Ordinance. Varee replied she had e-mailed him but had not received anything back.

T. Greig gave the road update on the roads in December: They did plowing of snow, used alot of antiholes by hand, cleaned cross pipes ra Paraskos, Fire Dept-Jim Stanand picked up a lot of storm debris. ley, Linesville-Dave Hoogstad Sr., T. Greig noted that once the roads Conneaut Twp-Michele Lisk, and thaw they are going to be bad.

G. Greig asked Michele Lisk to give the Linesville Fire Dept re-

Liske thanked the supervisors for coming and helping with the cattle truck that overturned on Maple Rd. There were 158 calves. 29 were ment.

G. Greig inquired if there were any lost (died). Driver of the truck said

Lisk said the fire department had T. Greig mentioned that just 2 meetings in December: Tractor parade made a profit of \$455.22; they are looking for a funds for new radios.

> Truck committee has someone from Kentucky interested in truck

> Justin Harper made a motion to buy a light bar up to \$600.00 for one of the vehicles.

> The fire department had 15 calls and EMS 3.

The donation from Conneaut Township will be put into its own account as well as the Sportsman's Club \$20,000 donation having its own account.

There is still nothing from the Attorney General on the VFD au-

The claimant withdrew his claim from Worker's Comp but has the ability to reopen it.

New officers are: Fire Chief-Justin Harper, 1st assistant chief-Bill Mickle, 2nd assistant chief-Anthony Onderko, 3rd assistant chief-Jim Stanley, Captain- Joe Plesniak, Lieutenant-Doug Weber, Fire Police Captain-Mike Heaney.

Business officers are President-Chuck Robinson, Vice President-Plesniak, Secretary-Carol Browning, Treasurer-Vicki Harper, skid all over the township, filled Advisory Board: Fire Dept-Madei-Pine Twp-Carol Browning.

#### **Linesville meetings**

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