

## LETTERS TO EDITOR

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Dear Editor:

Enclosed and coming to you from Simi Valley, California is my 60th annual renewal of the Forest City News.

It's always a pleasure to reach in the mail box and see what's happening in my "Old Home Town," even if I don't recognize some of the many new people who have moved into Forest City!

Joe Beautz

## Memorial Blood Drive at YMCA Wed., Oct. 17



Diane Keough

VNA Hospice & Home Health, along with the Carbondale YMCA will sponsor a Blood Drive in Memory of Diane Keough on Wed., Oct. 17 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Carbondale YMCA.

Diane was a long-time resident of Carbondale who passed away on Oct. 26, 2017. She was married to her husband Jack for 46 years and has one daughter, Erin Keough. Prior to retirement, she was employed at the Carbondale Nursing Home and was part of the Forest City Golf League.

During Diane's illness she received multiple blood transfusions, and having seen first hand how they helped their loved one, the need for blood donations is especially important to her family. Diane's courage and strength during this time was an inspiration to all who knew her.

Everyone who donates blood will receive a t-shirt as well as a chance to win a gift basket. For every one person who donates blood you can save three lives! Please contact Brenda Conlon at 570-280-8735 to schedule your appointment to donate.

## FC Lions Club Breakfast at Elegante Oct. 28

The Forest City Lions Club will hold a Pancake, Sausage, Egg Breakfast on Sun., October 28, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to noon at ELEGANTE RESTAURANT, Main Street, Forest City, PA. Adults \$6.00, Children under 12 - \$3.00.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL LIONS CLUB!

## Gun Show at Thompson FC October 20-21

There will be a Gun Show at the Thompson Volunteer Fire Co., Thompson, on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 20-21. The show is by Jaeger Arms Promotions. For information about displays call 570-470-6404.

## Use of Building Requests at FCR

The Forest City Regional School Board approved the following use of building requests:

From the Palette Pals Painting Club to use the high school art room on Mondays starting September 17, 2018 through November 12, 2018 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

From Studio Be Yoga to hold a yoga class for faculty on Tuesdays starting September 17, 2018 through May 20, 2018 from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m.

From the PA Game Commission to hold a Hunter/Trapper Education class on Sunday, October 28, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in a high school classroom.

From the Girls JV/Varsity Basketball program to reschedule their purse bingo from October 20th to November 10, 2018 in the High School cafeteria from 12:00 to 9:00 p.m.

## Voting dates For Nov. 6th Gen. Election

For those planning to vote in the Nov. 6th General Election, these dates are important:

\*Tuesday, October 30—Last day to send in an application for an absentee ballot, but plan to do it as soon as possible to be sure the person will get the ballot back and be able to return it in by Friday, November 2nd.

Registration applications and absentee ballot request forms can be secured at The Forest City News Office.

## Free Comm. Lunch in Forest City Sat., Oct. 27

The Stone Soup Kitchen at Christ Church invites everyone to join them for a FREE Community Luncheon at CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Corner Delaware & Dundaff Streets, Forest City. It will be held on Saturday, October 27 with servings begin at Noon - 1:00pm.

Join them & bring your family & friends. Share a hearty lunch & wonderful camaraderie.

## Avon Halloween Party Sat., Oct. 20

Max Deli, 104 S. Main St. Forest City, will be scene of an Avon Halloween Party on Sat., Oct. 20, at 5 p.m.

Receive a free gift just for coming! Enjoy a door prize raffle, fun games and prizes, hoagies, chips and salsa.

Please RSVP by Oct. 15. For more information contact Jessica Rosas via facebook or at 570-253-4778.

## Tri-County Sportsman Meeting Oct. 11

The Tri-County sportsman Association will conduct its monthly meeting Thurs., Oct. 11, at 7:30 p.m. at the VFW Hall, Main St. Simpson. The 2019 dues can be paid at this meeting. All dues for 2019 must be paid by the December, 2018 meeting.

## Friendship House replacing Closing C'dale Services

Friendship House has been selected to provide behavioral health services to the upper Lackawanna and Susquehanna counties that are currently served by Merakey. After Merakey's notice to withdraw from providing services to those areas, Friendship House applied for and was awarded the service provider designation by the Lackawanna-Susquehanna Counties Behavioral Health/Intellectual Disabilities/Early Intervention Program and Northeast Behavioral Health Care Corporation effective November 1, 2018.

Friendship House is already reaching out and meeting current Merakey employees, individuals being served and their families and providing information about Friendship House and

its 147-year history of providing quality child welfare and, later, behavioral health services to children, adolescents and adults, and their families. Friendship House provides services in Eastern and Central Pennsylvania.

Al Dorunda, board chair for Friendship House stated, "The extension of our behavioral health services to consumers in upper Lackawanna and Susquehanna counties continues the geographic growth of Friendship House throughout eastern Pennsylvania. Our standard of providing individualized services intended to maximize consumers' physical, emotional, behavioral and social well-being is widely recognized for its quality of care in this field."

## Cruise info. night at B'dale Fire Co. Oct. 14

Please join Browndale Fire Company and Rockwell Travel on a cruise information afternoon at 1 P.M. on Sat. Oct. 14 at the Browndale Fire Station, Route 247, 620 Marion Street, Browndale. Information will be presented on the "all inclusive cruise package" on the Norwegian Gem to the Caribbean leaving March 18 and returning on March 28, 2019.

A deposit of \$250 per person is due at time of reservation and final payment is due by Thurs., Nov. 8. Rates are based on double occupancy, but single, triple and quad occupancies are also available.

This cruise will help the fire company to continue its prompt and professional response in time of emergencies.

Room rates are: Inside from \$1,499 pp; Ocean View from \$1,869 pp and Balcony from \$2,349 pp.

Reservations can be made by contacting Mike at Rockwell Travel at 570-616-5545 or email

mike@rockwelltravel.net or by visiting 1416 North Main St., Honesdale.

## Basics of Biblical Creation Class Hosted at Cornerstone



Jan Troiani

Cornerstone Bible Church is offering a 3 week class on the creation of the world. This series will be taught by Jan Troiani, one of the elders of Cornerstone. Jan is also a resident of Forest City. Topics include the Biblical account of creation, the evidence for creation, and the top 10 creation questions. Classes will be held on Sunday October 14th, 21st, and 28th from 9:30 - 10:30 am. Seating is limited to 20. To register or for any questions please email Cornerstone's Ministry Assistant at cbc\_ma@outlook.com. Cornerstone is located at 520 Marion St, Browndale. Their Sunday Worship Service is at 10:45 am.

## St. John's Annual church Dinner Nov. 4

St. John's Byzantine Catholic Church, Forest City, will sponsor its annual church dinner on Sunday, Nov. 4, from noon to 2 p.m. Takeouts 11 a.m. to noon.

The menu will include eye round, halubki (stuffed cabbage), mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable, roll and butter, coffee. Dinner is \$12 for adults.

Call Ted Kowalick for tickets 570-785-5147

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## Pleasant Mount News By Theresa Opeka

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Happy Birthday to: Daisy Dix, Rebecca Curley,, Peter Nebzydowski, Jennifer Nebzydowski, Stacy Theobald, Christopher Laskowski, Randy May, Russ May Jr., Mary Fitzsimmons, Jim Fitzsimmons, Charles Faleski, Audrey Nebzydowski, John Keyes, Adam Jones, Katelyn Zembrzycki, Corey Cantarelli, Brooke Trusky, Walter Terry Jr., Brett Dailey, Luke Bender, Sally Hunt, Nicholas Kneier,, Dartanyan Snigar, Erin Urban, Eston Miller and Aaron Todd.

Happy Anniversary to: Martin and Michelle McHale, Vince and Elaine Alnick, Donald and Beverly Bennett and Bob and Judy Muller.

Pleasant Mount Library events: Storytime - every Wednesday 10:30-11:30am; October 11, 6:30pm - Book Club - The Rainbow Comes and Goes by Anderson Cooper; October 20 - 9am-Noon - Quilts of Valor; October 23, 6:30pm - Quilt Class - \$5 donation plus cost of materials; Play Group 4-6pm.

I had a couple of fun day trips the last few weeks. I went to Claws 'N' Paws Wild Animal Park. I had never been there before. Among the animals was Jethro the Giraffe and 'Singing Dogs' ( though I didn't hear them sing - ha,ha), bears, different types of birds, many of

which were from Australia, snow leopards, leopards, white tiger, lion, lynx, cougars (mountain lions) and otters, which stole the show. They performed on cue when they saw people watching them. They would flip on their backs and swim and do it all over again. I also took a trip to Animal Adventure Park with my Aunt Rosalie and her granddaughter, Britany. Visited with all the animals including Bisa, the lion cub and her two friends and many others and of course, April the Giraffe and her son Tajiri. Daddy Oliver was in the barn for canoodling too much with April. Wished Tajiri a fond farewell as he will be leaving for the Raleigh, North Carolina area at the end of the month to start his own family. He tried to steal money out of Brittany's purse! I think he thought it was food. April was personable as ever and really liked getting close to Rosalie. We all had a great time.

## Martial Arts Class in Waymart Oct. 20

Beginning Oct. 20, a Martial Arts class will be held every Sat. at the Clinton Center Baptist Church Rte. 296, Waymart from 10 to 11 a.m. Donation is \$5



Abbey Judge, Lackawanna College, spoke to members of the Forest City Regional Board of Education on Monday, Sept. 17 about Dual Enrollment Courses being offered to FCRHS students.

## Lackawanna College announces Dual enrollment at FCRHS

Lackawanna College, Scranton, announced at the Sept. 17 meeting of Forest City Regional School Board it will begin offering Dual Enrollment Courses to students at the School for the 2018-19 school year. That means students can take college courses during high school that will be acceptable to students attending Lackawanna College after graduation.

Abbey Judge, representing Lackawanna College, told Board members these courses may also be transferable to other colleges. She noted the transferability depends on acceptance by the other college.

Judge also noted that the cost of the credits will be \$100 each, which is considerably lower than on-campus courses both at Lackawanna College and at other colleges and universities meaning it can be very affordable to parents.

Dr. Brian Piatk, a FCR School Board member, and a faculty member at Marywood University, said another college, such as Marywood, compares the syllabus of the high school offering with the syllabus of the college to determine if credits can be transferred.

Judge stated the courses will be taught by certified adjunct faculty only at FCR High School. She said students can complete an Associate Degree at Lackawanna in one year rather than two years for a dual enrollment student.

She also told the School Board that the two year Associate Degree can require 62 credits but that some disciplines can lead to a certified major with 18-24 credits. The College also offers what it calls "A Pathway to Health Care Careers" for students to determine if they want to enter that field and what particular area of healthcare they would like to follow.

Courses available, if enough students avail themselves of them, are: 4 credit courses—Calculus, General Chemistry I/Lab, Pre-calculus;

3 credit courses—College Algebra, Introduction to Psychology, Introduction to Computer Applications, Principles of Accounting, College Writing, Introduction to Literature, Effective Speaking, U.S. History, American Government, Elementary Spanish I, Java Programming.

## Raffle to benefit Waymart police Officer Shaffer

A "Blue and White Shirts Inc." raffle will be held for Assistant Chief Harry Shaffer of the Waymart Police Department.

First prize is a Henry Military Service Tribute Edition 22LR; second prize is a Henry Law Enforcement Tribute Edition 22LR and third prize is a Glock 43.9mm handgun.

Donation is \$10 per ticket. The drawing will be held Oct. 31 in Wayside Park, Waymart, at 5:30 p.m. Winner need not be present to win.

Tickets are available at The Forest City News.

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