

Area Obituaries

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Noreen Rotherforth Swegel
Herrick Center

Noreen G. Rotherforth Swegel, 83, of Herrick Center, passed away peacefully Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2019 at Hospice of the Sacred Heart, Dunmore. She was the wife of Sir Robert Swegel; the couple was married for 63 years.

Born in Vandling, she was the daughter of the late Cyril and Doris Newton Rotherforth, and, upon the early death of her mother, when she was 5 years old, she was raised by her paternal grandmother, the late Cora Rotherforth. She was a graduate of Forest City High School class of 1952 and a member of Ascension Parish, Forest City. She was a homemaker.

In addition to her husband, also surviving are a son, Col. Jeffrey Swegel and wife, Desirianne, Vandling; a daughter, Janine (Swegel) Martin and husband, Richard, Hanover, Md.; a sister, Maxine (Rotherforth) Bailey, Apalachin, N.Y.; a half-brother, Gary Rotherforth, Forest City; five grandchildren, Stefan Swegel and wife, Jessica; Jake and Felicia Martin; Robert and Abigail Swegel; two great-grandchildren, Wyatt and Addie Mae Swegel; and a plethora of nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by a brother, LeRoy Rotherforth.

The family would like to thank the nurses and staff at Geisinger Community Medical Center, Wayne Home Health, the Hospice of the Sacred Heart, DaVita of Eynon and all the other doctors and nurses who dedicated their time to taking care of her.

The funeral was Saturday, Jan. 5, with a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Joseph's Church, Delaware Street, Forest City. Interment followed in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Forest City.

Arrangements by the Jones & Brennan Funeral Home, 430 Main St., Forest City

To send online condolences, visit the funeral home website.



Andrew N. Bebla
Vandling

Andrew N. Bebla, 52, of Vandling, died unexpectedly Sunday morning, December 30, 2018 from a brief and sudden illness. His wife is the former Janet Pantzar, Vandling.

Born January 10, 1966 in Carbondale, he is the son of Andrew and Emily Kost Bebla, Jr., Vandling.

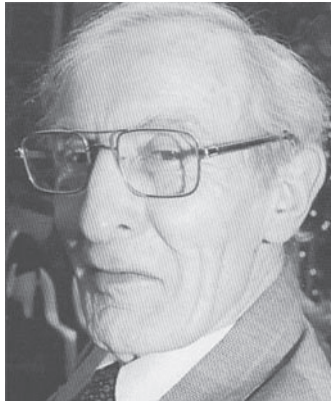
He was a graduate of Carbondale Area High School and previously worked as the Sales Manager for Kost Tire and Muffler. Andy was an avid outdoorsman who took joy in golf, hunting, fishing and walking in the woods with his dogs. He was a loving, caring father, husband and friend. He was the most kind and generous person to all that knew him. His children were his pride and joy. He will be truly missed.

Also surviving are a daughter Kayla and a son Chris, both at home; brothers, Bryan Bebla and Kevin Bebla, several nieces, nephews, aunts, and uncles.

A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial took place at the convenience of the family.

Arrangements are through the Kevin M. Lesjack Funeral Home, 513 Main Street, Forest City.

Condolences: www.lesjackfuneralhome.com.



Stephen Kowalsky
Pleasant Mount

Stephen Kowalsky 95, of Pleasant Mount, fell asleep in the Lord Tuesday, January 1, 2019 at home.

Born in beautiful Pleasant Mount, one of 10 children he was the son Joachim and Glafira Kowalsky, both immigrants from Austria to America through Ellis Island. He was a graduate of Pleasant Mount High School class of 1941.

He had a delightful sense of humor and was always quick with a smile and wit to brighten anyone's day. He was highly creative and always inventing new ways of doing things right up to the age of 95.

As a lover of music and dance, he was a saxophone player in a band and also received the Arthur Murray Bronze Medal Award in Modern Ballroom Dance in 1954.

He sang alto in his church choir and in the Ekumen Chor under the direction of Pat Marcinko.

He loved aeronautics and enjoyed learning to fly as well as riding his BMW motorcycle with other motorcycle enthusiasts to New York City.

Throughout his life he maintained a strong faith in God. He was a generous, gentle, and soft spoken person who was very humble, caring, and compassionate. He always put other's needs before his own, and his home was always welcoming to everyone.

Aside from managing his family's dairy farm he was also employed as a plumbing, electrical, and heating contractor. He was on call 24/7 to help his fellow farmers, and many friends and family whenever in need.

Always respecting new technology, he designed and installed an in-floor radiant heating system for his church, St. Basil's O.C. A. in Simpson, PA.

He is survived by nieces and nephews Michael and Diane Urda, Herrick Center; Lois and Stephen Dreater, Scranton; Maria and Robert Lozada, Scranton; Paulette and Bob Andzulis, Athens, PA; Marie Gavazzi, Troy, NY; Doris and Michael Graybar, Wilmington, NC; Stephen and Lee Lazorchak, Pittstown, NJ; John and Lillian Lazorchak, White House Station, NJ; grand nieces and nephews.

He was also preceded in death by three brothers, Jack, Michael and Theodore; and six sisters, Ann Urda, Olga Gavazzi, Marion Lazorchak, Betty Dreater, Patricia and Esther Kowalsky.

The funeral was Saturday, January 5 with a Requiem Service in St. Basil's Orthodox Church of America, 9 Lord Avenue, Simpson by the Rev. Jason Franchak. Interment was in Pleasant View Cemetery, Pleasant Mount.

Arrangements by the Joseph W. Scotchlas Funeral Home, Inc. 621 Main Street, Simpson.

For condolences visit: www.scotchlasfuneralhome.com

Activities scheduled for Trinity Church, C'dale

Free Community Luncheon, Saturday, January 19th from 12:00 pm-1:00 pm at the Trinity Episcopal Church, 58 River Street, Carbondale - Everyone is Welcome!

Trinity Episcopal Church, 58 River Street, Carbondale is having a soup sale on Thursday, January 31st. Pick up at the Church Hall. All orders must be in by Friday, January 25th. \$8 per quart.

Your choice of Vegetable Beef or Wedding Soup. Call church office to order (570) 282-3620.



Salvatore Giresi
Formerly of Pleasant Mount

Salvatore Giresi, 78, of Throop and formerly of Pleasant Mount & Forest City, passed away in his sleep at home Friday, January 4, 2019. He was preceded in death by his wife, the former Dorothy Mezger Giresi, who died in 2006.

Born July 14, 1940 in Palermo, Italy, he was the son of the late Gondolfo and Antonina Potestio Giresi.

He was a loving father, grandfather and great grandfather. Sal was an avid member of Alcoholics Anonymous for over 30 years where he helped so many people in their struggles with sobriety. He was also a US Army veteran.

He is survived by his two sons: Michael Giresi of Jessup, PA and Peter Giresi of Carbondale, PA; one daughter: Cristina Knehr & husband Andrew Conklin of Throop, PA; grandchildren: Nicole Palmer & husband Steven of Minooka, PA; Anthony Giresi of Old Forge, PA; Thomas Kubus & fiancée Brianne Liuzzo of Scott Township, PA; Alicia Giresi of Taylor, PA and James Knehr of Carbondale, PA; great grandchildren: Caleb, Connor & Kaiden; two brothers: Tony Giresi & wife Patricia of Shirley, NY and Frank Giresi of Sebring, FL.

He was preceded in death by a brother: Vinny Giresi. The funeral was held Tuesday, January 8 from the Edward A. Wade Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Inc., 4 Morris Place, Carbondale.

To share condolences and photos with Salvatore's family visit his book of everlasting memories at www.parisfuneralhome.com.

He was also preceded in death by a brother: Vinny Giresi. The funeral was held Tuesday, January 8 from the Edward A. Wade Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Inc., 4 Morris Place, Carbondale.

To share condolences and photos with Salvatore's family visit his book of everlasting memories at www.parisfuneralhome.com.



Jane Carite Grosel
Forest City

Jane Carite Grosel, 85, of Forest City and formerly of Carbondale, died Sunday, January 6, 2019 at Wayne Memorial Hospital. She was preceded in death by her husband, Dave Grosel, who died in 1995.

Born in Carbondale, daughter of the late Robert and Lela France Tregaskis, she was educated in the Carbondale Schools. She was a homemaker. She greatly enjoyed playing Bingo and was the coordinator of the Valley Bingo Bus.

Surviving are a daughter: Linda Bielawski and husband Anthony, Milford; three sons: Francis Carite and wife Donna, Crestview, FL; Paul Carite, Scranton; Dave Grosel, Jr. and wife Cathy, Union Dale; 8 grandchildren; and several great grandchildren; a sister: Edna Simon, Archbald; two brothers: Robert Tregaskis, Jermyn; Gerald Tregaskis, Holly, FL; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by a brother: Charles Tregaskis; and five sisters: Roberta Ditchko, Mae Dennis, Olive Banicott, Genevieve Correll, and Lela Dolph.

The funeral was Tuesday, January 8 in the Jones & Brennan Funeral Home, 430 Main Street, Forest City. Spring interment will be in Canaan Corners Cemetery, Waymart.

To send online condolences, visit the funeral home website.



Robert "Bart" Bartosh
Peckville

Robert "Bart" Bartosh, 84, Peckville, died Saturday, January 5, 2019 at Hospice of the Sacred Heart, Dunmore. His wife is the former Marian Dowd, and they had been married for 59 years.

Born in Forest City, son of the late Edward and Kathryn Korshnak Bartosh, he was a member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Peckville, and a graduate of Forest City High School. Robert served in the United States Coast Guard during the Korean War. He served as the adjutant at the Raymond Henry American Legion Post 327, Olyphant. Before retirement, he worked for Daystrom and Giant Food Markets.

He loved his family, especially his grandchildren, and made sure he attended all of the activities they were involved in.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mary Louise Behrends, Saylorsburg; and Barbara Lutz and husband, Donald R. Jr., York; five grandchildren, Ryan, Cody and Dylan Lutz; and Abby and Stephanie Behrends; nieces and nephews.

He was also preceded in death by a son-in-law, Scott Behrends.

The funeral will be Wednesday, January 9 with Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. in Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Peckville. Interment to follow at Our Mother of Sorrows Cemetery, Finch Hill Corners.

Arrangements by the Robert E. Decker Funeral Home, 702 River St., Peckville.

All those attending the Mass are asked to go directly to the church on the morning of the funeral.

Retirement Celebration for Andrea Whyte

Wayne County Human Services and the County of Wayne will celebrate the retirement of Ms. Andrea C. Whyte, Human Services Administrator on Thursday, January 10, 2019 from 2 to 4 PM at the Earl J. Simons Senior Center, 323-10th Street, Honesdale. Cake and refreshments will be served.

We will be honoring Ms. Whyte's 45 years of service to the residents of Wayne County. During her time with the county, she has touched many families as she's assisted them in innumerable ways. Ms. Whyte has overseen many additional human service programs and services including Area Agency on Aging, Behavioral Health/Intellectual Disabilities/Early Intervention/Autism, Children and Youth Services, Drug and Alcohol Commission, County Transportation System, County Food Pantry, Dietary, County Housing Department, along with multiple organizations which are unique to a small county.

Please stop by to wish Ms. Whyte a long, healthy and restful retirement and to help us honor her many years of dedicated service to our county. Inclement weather date is Friday, January 11, same place and time.



Charles J. O'Neill
Pleasant Mount

Charles J. O'Neill, 77, Pleasant Mount, died Friday, January 4, 2019 at Forest City Nursing Home.

Born Sept. 29, 1941, in Carbondale, the son of the late Jerome and Veronica Flynn O'Neill, he owned and operated a dairy farm in Wayne County for many years and retired from the Wayne Highlands School District, where he worked in maintenance at the Damascus School.

Surviving are his brothers, Francis O'Neill and wife, Margaret, Honesdale; and Raymond O'Neill, Winter Park, Fla.; his sisters, Rita O'Neill, Honesdale; and Catherine O'Neill, Edgemoor, S.C.; sister-in-law, Mary O'Neill, Odenton, Md.; and his last surviving aunt, Betty Flynn, Honesdale.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Thursday, January 10 at St. James Church in Pleasant Mount at 10 a.m. Interment will follow in St. Cecelia's Cemetery.

Friends may visit Hessling Funeral Home Inc., 428 Main St., Honesdale, on Wednesday from 4 to 7.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Katharine Drexel Vestment Fund, 612 Hudson St., Forest City, PA 18421.

Thompson Hose Co. Super Bowl Food Sale

The Thompson Hose Co. will have a PIZZA, WINGS & MORE SALE on Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 3rd from 12:00 - 6:00pm.

Menu includes: Wings: Hot, Mild, Garlic, Honey Mustard, BBQ; 16" round Pizza Plain, Pepperoni, Mushroom, Banana Peppers, Onions, Sausage; Fryer Food: Mozzarella Sticks, Battered Cauliflower & Mushrooms, Poppers, & Perogies.

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Police calls responded to	291
Warrants	0
Assisted other Dept's.	4
Alarms off	1
Motor vehicle Accidents	6
Quads on Road	0
Domestic	2
TOTAL	304

ARRESTS	
Simple assault	4
Poss. of a controlled sub.	3
Crim. Contempt PFA Viol.	1
Suspicion of DUI	1
Suspicion of DUI/Drugs	1
Poss. of Marijuana	1
Disorderly conduct	3
Theft	1
Public drunkenness	1
Harassment	1
Reckless endangerment	3
Criminal Mischief	1
Underage drinking	3
Endangering welfare of minor	2
TOTAL ARRESTS	26

CITATIONS ISSUED	
No License	1
Suspended license	3
Traffic control dev.	1
Unregistered vehicle	2
Safety Belt	1
No Insurance	1
Gen. Lighting requirement	1
Expired Inspection	1
Speeding	1
Window Tint	1
TOTAL CITATIONS	13

WARNINGS ISSUED	
Lighting requirements	4
Failure to yield right of way	1
Speeding	6
Erratic Driver	1
TOTAL WARNINGS ISSUED	12

MILEAGE	
Car 1 48932	50411 1479
Car 2 51843	52790 947
Car 3 11372	12118 746

TRIPS	
Carbondale	3
Clifford	9
Scranton	6
Dunmore	2
Lenox	1
Montrose	6
Honesdale	2
Waymart	1

METER COLLECTIONS/FINES	
11/06/18	\$214.81
11/08/18	\$216.70
11/15/18	\$186.46
11/21/18	\$148.10
11/29/18	\$180.31
TOTAL	\$946.38

METER FINES	\$110.00
METER COLLECTIONS	\$946.38
RESTRICTED PARKING \$15 \$	30.00
RESTRICTED PARKING \$20 \$	0.00
REQUEST ACC. REPORTS \$	15.00
TOTAL	\$1101.38

FREE Lunch at Christ Church Sat., Jan. 26
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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, on Saturday, January 26, with serving from Noon - 1:00pm. Join them & bring your family & friends. Share a hearty lunch & wonderful camaraderie

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