

# THE FOREST CITY NEWS

## ODDS 'N ENDS

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### The Charles Schulz Philosophy

The following is the philosophy of Charles Schulz, The creator of the 'Peanuts' comic strip.

You don't have to actually answer the questions. Just ponder on them.

Just read these questions straight through, and you'll get the point.

1. Name the five wealthiest people in the world.
2. Name the last five Heisman trophy winners.
3. Name the last five winners of the Miss America pageant.
4. Name ten people who have won the Nobel or Pulitzer Prize.
5. Name the last half dozen Academy Award winners for best actor and actress.
6. Name the last decade's worth of World Series winners.

How did you do?

The point is, none of us remember the headlines of yesterday.

These are no second-rate achievers. They are the best in their fields.

But the applause dies. Awards tarnish ...

Achievements are forgotten. Accolades and certificates are buried with their owners.

Here's another quiz. See how you do on this one:

1. List a few teachers who aided your journey through school.
2. Name three friends who have helped you through a difficult time.
3. Name five people who have taught you something worthwhile.
4. Think of a few people who have made you feel appreciated and special.
5. Think of five people you enjoy spending time with.

Easier?  
The lesson: The people who make a difference in your life are not the ones with the most credentials, the most money ... or the most awards. They simply are the ones who care the most.

Pass this on to those people whom you keep close in your heart. "Don't worry about the world coming to an end today. It's already tomorrow in Australia!"  
"Be Yourself. Everyone Else Is Taken!"

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## PennDOT to tackle 135 Miles of Wayne County Road Surfacing

PA Department of Transportation (PENNDOT) officials presented the plans for the 2019 summer road construction projects, with this year's efforts focused on the west central part of Wayne County.

The majority of the road surfacing targets 90 miles of state roads mostly in Canaan, Cherry Ridge, Clinton, Dyberry and South Canaan Townships with local crews. Plans include the resurfacing of the entire length of Route 296, the Owego Turnpike from Route 191 to Route 296, Route 170 from Route 6 to Creamton, Cortez Road, Tuthill Road, Beech Grove Road, Egypt Road, Bridge Street, Wanoka Road, Mid Valley Road and 10 other State route segments.

Paving contractors will be resurfacing another 45 miles of State highways, including Route 6 from Honesdale to Hawley and Route 196 from Varden to Route 191, along with Pine Mill, Elk Lake, Galilee, Cemetery and Old Tannery Roads. Others roads set for resurfacing include Turnpike Road, Dennis Road, Oregon Turnpike, Peggy Runway Road, Butter-nut Flats Road, Conklin Hill Road, Wescott Road and Golf Hill Road.

As the statewide Rapid Bridge Replacement program draws to a close, only two projects are on the PENNDOT agenda for Wayne County in 2019: one carrying Belmont Turnpike over the West Branch Lackawaxen River in Pleasant Mount; another carrying Route 191 over Spring Run near Newfoundland.

Safety improvements, including additional turning lanes, are set for Hamlin cor-

ners and work continues on slide repairs on Route 191 in Buckingham Township and River Road in Damascus Township. To improve driver safety, a number of areas along Route 191 south of Honesdale, Route 590 in Salem and Paupack Townships and Hoadleys Road between Route 191 and 590 are scheduled to receive High Friction Surface Treatments (HFST). According to the Federal Highway Administration, HFST involves the application of very high-quality aggregate using a polymer binder to restore pavement friction to help motorists maintain better control in both dry and wet driving conditions.

The 2019 Construction Season Map is available at: <https://www.waynecounty.pa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/2634/2019-PennDOT-Construction-Projects-in-Wayne-County>

## Forest City Area Historical Soc. May Meeting

The Forest City Area Historical Society (FCAHS) will be meeting on Sunday, May 12, 2019 beginning at 6:00 PM at the society's headquarters at the corner of Dundaff and Main Streets, Forest City. New members are always welcome!!

Visit the web site for the FCAHS at: [www.forestcityareahistoricalsociety.com](http://www.forestcityareahistoricalsociety.com) to learn more about the organization or to download a membership application. LIKE us on Facebook, also!!

## Memorial Day program at FCR on Fri., May 24

The Memorial Day program at the Forest City Regional High School will be held on Friday, May 24.

The event is open to all area veterans. Any Veteran who is NOT a member of the American Legion but is interested in attending must call the school (570-785-2420) for a reservation to assist in a head count for lunch.

Lunch begins at 12:00 noon in the High School Library and the program begins at 1:30 PM.

## Public comment On storm water At V'ling session

Vandling Borough Council will accept comments from the public on its storm water discharge plan (MS4) at its regular monthly meeting on Monday, May 20 at 7pm at the Municipal Building.

The pollution reduction plan is to reduce pollutants from storm water discharge into local streams which feed into Chesapeake Bay.

The storm water plan may result in fees imposed on businesses, land and residents in Vandling.

## Candidates seeking position in Ararat Twp.

Three candidates are seeking the 6-year supervisor seat on the primary ballot in Ararat Twp. Republicans Arthur J. Straway Sr. and Douglas Thorn are both seeking the position while Katherine Shelly Cameron is running unopposed in the primary on the Democratic ballot.

## FCR Art Contest Winners



The Forest City News recently held its annual Spring Art Contest. Thirty-six pieces of artwork appeared in our Spring Extravaganza Tabloid. There were two First Prize winners in both the Elementary and the High School. Each received a cash prize. Pictured left to right are Katie Keller, 1st place High School; Philip Hodges, 1st Place Elementary; Taralynn Quinones, 2nd place High School; and Alyssa Ernst, 2nd place Elementary.

## Second Annual Trail Town Festival planning in full swing

Plans for this year's 2nd Annual Trail Town Festival are in full swing. A meeting was held on Tuesday, April 30 to discuss activities for the weekend.

The event will kick off on Friday, August 2 at the Forest City Regional School with a Homecoming event for FCR Alumni. It will be held from 6:30 PM to 9 PM.

The Homecoming event will include a tour of the newly renovated school, followed by refreshments and a program.

The District is reaching out to alumni who would be willing to serve on a start-up committee. If you would be interested, you are asked to contact the School's Transportation Manager and Superintendent's Secretary Patricia Chesnick by email at [pchesnick@fcrsd.org](mailto:pchesnick@fcrsd.org) or by calling her at 570-785-2403.

It is hoped that the event will draw past alumni back to town in order to also participate in the many events of the Trail Town Festival on Saturday, August 3. Specific details of the Homecoming and the Festival will be announced.

The annual fireworks display will return to Kennedy Park and be held on Friday, August 3 after 9 PM. A big Thank You to NEP Telephone Company for donating the fireworks display again this year. NOTE: This is a change of location and day from last year. It was held last year immediately following the Light Parade at the VISION 2000 Industrial Park.

Saturday morning, August 3 will feature the Coal Cracker races on the Rail Trail at 9 AM. Following the race, a bike ride will be held on the Trail beginning at 11 AM. You can do a guided ride

## Memorial Day Parade set for Mon., May 27

Memorial Day activities in Forest City will take place on Monday, May 27. The parade will begin at 10:30 AM at Franceski Lumber & continue to the Doughboy located at William Penn Apts. for a special memorial ceremony which starts immediately after the parade.

If anyone with an antique or muscle car or any groups such as the cub scouts, girl scouts or anyone who would like to participate in the parade please call Paul Daugevelo at 570-785-5960 or email [rosal@nep.net](mailto:rosal@nep.net).



Deb Giddings, center, is shown presenting a check for \$262 to Mayor Chris Ginton and Main Street Coordinator Paul Daugevelo. D.G.'s held an after-parade party last year during the Trail Town Festival and donated part of the proceeds to this year's Trail Town event.

or on your own.

The Forest City Area Historical Society will be open and they are planning on having events there throughout the day. More information about the events will be available at a later date.

Patricia Striefsky said the Touch-A-Truck event will take place in the 400 block of Main Street from 1 PM to 4 PM. Emergency vehicles, fire trucks, heavy equipment, the Pace Car from Pocono Raceway, and other vehicles will be on hand for the kids to check out.

Mayor Chris Ginton and Main Street Coordinator Paul Daugevelo will be in charge of the vendors for the afternoon. Rick Priebe will be on Main Street playing music in the afternoon. There will be Pony rides for the kids, craft vendors and wine tasting for 21 and over.

Anyone interested in setting up a booth is asked to contact Paul Daugevelo at 570-785-5960 or email [rosal@nep.net](mailto:rosal@nep.net)

A comhole tournament is planned for the 500 block of Main Street by Josh Faatz. There will be two age groups. 21 and older and 10 to 16 years old. The cost for 10-16 will be \$5 per team and will be single elimination. The cost for 21 and older will be \$40 per team and will be double elimination. There will be cash prizes for the winners.

Check in time will be at 11 AM and bags will fly at 12 Noon. For more information or to register, call or text 570-616-7592 or email [joshfaatz@yahoo.com](mailto:joshfaatz@yahoo.com). Pre-register by July 28.

The committee is looking into getting the Ross Park Zoomobile from Binghamton for a demonstration in the afternoon.

The annual Light Parade will step off from the VISION 2000 Industrial Park at 9 PM and continue onto Main Street where they will go North and end at D.G.'s Bar and Grill where an after-parade party will be held.

Mayor Ginton said the Parks and Recreation Board will hold a Chicken BBQ and fishing derby on Sunday, August 4 to conclude the weekend festivities.

## Supreme Court Upholds Susq. Co. DA's Appt.

The PA Supreme Court affirmed a lower court ruling that has upheld the appointment of Marion O'Malley as the District Attorney of Susquehanna County.

She was appointed by President Judge Jason Legg in February 2018 following the death of DA Robert Klein.

The assistant prosecutor under Klein, William Urbanski, filed a lawsuit arguing that he should have taken position as the assistant DA.

In April 2018, Senior Judge David Grine of Centre County denied Urbanski's bid to reclaim the DA post, ruling that Urbanski didn't live in the county for at least a year as state law requires.

In an order dated Friday, April 26, 2019, the state Supreme Court affirmed the ruling allowing O'Malley to continue serving as DA.

They are currently both seeking the Republican nomination in the DA race in the May 21 Primary Election. There is no one running on the Democratic side.

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