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Dunmoreans of the Month: Greg & Theo Zayac



By Steve Svetovich

Theo and Greg Zayac lost their three-month-old baby boy Jude to Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) eight years ago. But since then, the Dunmore couple has worked ceaselessly to bring awareness to the tragedy that affects so many families.

The eighth annual "Jog for Jude," held in memory of Jude Zayac, who suddenly and tragically passed away July 23, 2014, from SIDS, is the area's only 5K race that raises awareness and funds for SIDS research. This year's race date is Saturday, April 23, at 6:30 p.m., with a start at the Dunmore Community Center, 1414 Monroe Ave., Dunmore.

"To celebrate our return to a live in-person event," said Theo Zayac, "we switched things up this year. This year's race will be an evening run on Saturday, April 23, capped off by celebratory fireworks."

The overall male and female champions will receive trophies and prizes. Medals will be awarded to the top male and female finishers in age groups ranging from 6-7 to 60 plus.

It is a rain or shine event. All registrations are final and non-refundable. The race contact information web site is: jamesmccormickjr@gmail.com.

This year's "Jog for Jude" is the first in-person race since 2019. The last two races were held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Day of registration will be available beginning at 5 p.m.

The mission of the Jude Zayac Foundation is to raise funds to support SIDS research and to enrich the lives of living children in our community in honor of Greg and Theo's late infant son Jude.

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Boy Scout Troop 66 will hold its annual Pasta Fagioli Dinner on Friday, April 8, from 4 to 7:30 p.m. at Dunmore Presbyterian Church, 137 Chestnut St., Dunmore. Tickets are \$10 and are available from any Troop 66 Scout or committee member, and at the door. The drive-through, takeout dinner includes one quart of pasta fagioli, fresh bread and butter, a side salad and dessert. In the first row, from left: Ryan McMynne, Rhys Otto, Ty Dougher, Colin McDonough, William Muir and Michael McKenna. Second row: Caleb Kamide, Louis Hess, Liam Subba, Luke Kalinowski, Coen Holland, Peter Durkin, Brody Eynon, and CJ Muir. Third row: Martin Smith, Alan Hess, Ben Kessler, Arthur Christiano, Caden Kirby, Patrick McDonnell and Asher Jones. Fourth row: Andy Haser, Zach Eynon, Nico Barchak and Bryce Talutto.

Cartwright to host information night for students about service academies

Congressman Matt Cartwright (PA-08) will host an information night for district high school students and their families to learn more about attending a U.S. service academy and the Congressional nomination process.

The information session will take place Wednesday, April 13, from 5 to 7 p.m., at the Mid Valley Secondary Center, 52 Underwood Road, Throop.

"Every year, I have the honor of nominating students to represent our district at one of four prestigious service academies in the nation," said Rep. Cartwright. "I encourage all interested students to attend and learn more about the academies and the

Congressional nomination process."

Representatives from the U.S. Naval Academy, U.S. Military Academy at West Point, U.S. Air Force Academy and U.S. Merchant Marine Academy will provide information on each of their institutions and will be available to answer questions.

Congressman Cartwright's staff will also be on hand to answer questions regarding the application process for a Congressional nomination.

For more information or to register to attend the event, please contact Tammy Aita at Tammy.Aita@mail.house.gov.

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The Mayor's Message

By Max Conway



Borough marks 160th birthday!

It has been a busy month in the Dunmore Mayor's office, but I would like to use this column to wish a very Happy 160th Birthday to our wonderful Borough!

Dunmore was first settled in 1783 when William Allsworth of Connecticut—a shoemaker by trade—reached here one evening and deemed it a suitable place to settle his family.

It is rumored that these first settlers called Dunmore “Bucktown,” as it had a massive deer population.

Allsworth would later open an inn on what is now Blakely and Drinker Streets. Fast forward several decades, and in the second year of the Civil War, the village of Dunmore was incorporated into the Borough of Dunmore when Governor Andrew G. Curtin signed a bill on April 10, 1862, making Dunmore an official Borough!

To honor Dunmore's birthday, Borough Council, DPW and I are planning a borough-wide cleanup on Saturday April 30th from 10 am. to noon. We hope to target our cleanup to the parks in the Borough (Sherwood, St. Anthony's, Monroe, Schautz as well as Dunmore Corners).

If you can come out and join us, please register to volunteer with the link found on my Facebook page or with the QR code below (use your camera on your phone and hold over the code)! If you would like to keep up-to-date on other announcements and information, please follow me on Facebook at Mayor Max Conway!

***Note:** The information used for Dunmore's History is from Dunmore's Centennial History book which was published in 1962,

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"As always," said Theo Zayac, "proceeds from the event will benefit Robert's Program at Boston Children's Hospital and the Saint Joseph's Center Baby and Children's Pantry. Two-thirds of the funds go to the Boston Children's Hospital and one-third go to the Saint Joseph's Center Baby Pantry.

"This is a very positive thing to raise awareness and do research.

"We raised \$1,000 our first year and try to double it each year. My husband's goal is to have a total of a million dollars raised for this foundation by the tenth year."

Prior to this year's event, the Jude Zayac Foundation donated over \$650,000 to worthy causes. There is now a named fund in Jude's memory at Boston's Children's Hospital. The fund is called the Jude Theodore Zayac Fund.

Race Day is also the late Jude's eighth birthday.

There will be refreshments, entertainment, raffles and special surprises at the event. Supporters can register for the race at: www.runsignup.com/jogforjude.

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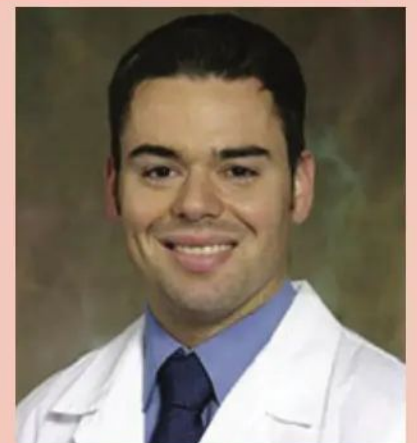


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Doin' Dunmore

With Steve Svetovich



Both Dunmore and Holy Cross High Schools have a lot to be proud of with their basketball programs.

The two schools featured three district champions, with the Holy Cross boys' and girls' basketball teams winning district championships and the Dunmore Lady Bucks earning a district title last month.

The Dunmore Lady Bucks captured the District 2, Class 4A girls championship with a thrilling 43-42 win over Scranton Prep Thursday, March 3, at Mohegan Sun Arena.

Dunmore senior standout Moriah Murray, the Times-Tribune Player of the Year, capped a frenzied final

three minutes making a layup with 26 seconds left, then got a piece of a Scranton Prep outback with three seconds remaining as Dunmore outlasted Prep in the title contest. There were four lead changes down the stretch.

The Lady Bucks, coached by veteran Ben O'Brien, overcame the loss of first-team all-state junior center Ciera Toomey who went down with a knee injury with 1:28 left in the half.

Senior Mia Blume, an unsung hero, led Dunmore with 11 points in the title win. Toomey scored 10 points, all in the first half.

Freshman Sophia Talutto picked

up some of the slack with eight points. Murray added seven points, including the game winner.

Murray averaged 17.3 points, 6.0 rebounds and 6.1 assists this season while being named Player of the Year and an All Regional selection.

Toomey, who averaged over 20 points a game for the season, was named All Regional at the center position.

Murray hit seven 3-pointers and scored 32 points in Dunmore's first round PIAA Class 4A win over Shamokin, 51-25, at Dunmore Wednesday, March 9. Freshman Talutto added 12 points. Toomey did not play due to a torn ACL.

Murray, a three-time, first-team all-state guard prior to this season, scored 35 points in Dunmore's 62-53 win over Villa Joseph Marie in the girls' Class 4A second-round PIAA playoff game at Easton Middle School, Sunday, March 13. She also added 10 rebounds and four assists, with Toomey injured and unable to play. Talutto and Mia Blume added 12 points each.

The Lady Bucks bowed out in the PIAA Class 4A quarterfinals with a heartbreaking 40-39 loss to Jim Thorpe at Berwick High School, Wednesday, March 16. Jim Thorpe's Skyler Searfoss hit a bucket on a five-footer across the lane with four seconds left to defeat Dunmore.

Talutto led Dunmore with 14 points in the loss. Murray added 10.

Holy Cross senior star Kaci Kranson rebounded from a left ankle injury to score a Mohegan Sun Arena record 33 points leading her team to the District 2 Class 2A title over Elk Lake, 62-47, Friday, March 4. Julie Goetz added 11 points in the district title win. Goetz and Caitlyn Bestrycki both hit key third quarter shots for the Lady Crusaders.

Kranson, named All Regional, is the school's all time leading scorer with 1,876 points and led District 2 with 27 points per game this season. She led Holy Cross to its second straight district championship and third in four years.

The Lady Crusaders, coached by veteran Barry Fitzgerald, lost to Mount Carmel, 40-39, in the first round of the Class 2A PIAA playoffs. Holy Cross had the lead with 35 seconds left.

Basketball championships abound in Dunmore

Goetz hit on a career best four 3-pointers and led Holy Cross with 15 points in the loss. Kranson added 14 points.

Inspired by its legendary coach Al Callejas, battling cancer, the Holy Cross Crusaders boys' basketball team defeated Old Forge, 39-27, to earn the program's ninth district title since the school's 2007-08 inception Saturday, March 5, at Mohegan Sun Arena.

Logan Tierney led the gritty Crusaders with 11 points in the District 2 Class 2A championship win. Hayden Hosie and junior Kaeden Carr scored nine points each in the district title win. Gabe Gonzales added seven points in the balanced attack.

The entire Holy Cross team dedicated the season to long time coach Callejas. The team played scrappy, spirited basketball all season.

"Coach inspired us," Hosie said. "Everything we do, we do for him." And hustle is the best word to describe the team's play this season. Team work is what Callejas preaches.

The Crusaders defeated Antietam, 57-49, in the first-round of the PIAA Class 2A playoffs at the Lackawanna College Student Union Wednesday,

day, March 9. Tierney scored 19 points to lead Holy Cross. Gonzales added 16 and Hosie scored 12. Carr hit a key 3-pointer to start an 11-2 Holy Cross run to begin the fourth quarter.

The battling Crusaders defeated District 1 champion Church Farm, 55-39, to advance to the PIAA Class 2A quarterfinals, Sunday, March 13. Tierney led the way with 17 points and 12 rebounds. "Ever since we learned coach Callejas had cancer, it lit a fire under us," Tierney said.

Callejas did not attend the game. His son, Al Callejas, Jr., served as substitute coach.

Will Kittrell scored 14 and Carr added 13 in the Crusaders win.

The Crusaders just fell short in the PIAA Class 2A quarterfinals, 50-48, to Constitution Wednesday, March 16, at Liberty High School, Bethlehem.

Several furious Holy Cross comebacks put a scare to Constitution, but the Crusaders ran out of time in a courageous season inspired by a and Holy Cross basketball programs in more ways than one.

Congratulations to all of the players, coaching staff, administration and student body.

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Saint Francis of Assisi Kitchen has launched its 2022 Host-for-a-Day campaign, which is the primary means of financial support for the Kitchen's mission to provide a free daily meal to area needy. Pictured from left are Kitchen Advisory Board member Maria McCool, campaign chair; Kitchen Executive Director Rob Williams; and Kitchen Advisory Board President Melissa Pavlowski.



Keystone UNICO hosts bingo, marches in St. Patrick's Parade

Keystone Chapter UNICO sponsored a Saint Patrick's Day Bingo Party at Gino Merli Veterans' Center of Northeastern PA. Due to covid restrictions, Keystone members were not allowed to be in person at the Bingo, as they have done these past 10 years. Shown at the Gino Merli presentation, from left are: Keystone UNICO Member Bob Tagert; Gino Merli Interim Deputy Commandant Margo Coleman; Keystone UNICO Member Mark McDade; Gino Merli Activity Director Pam Wood and Volunteer Resource Coordinator Janice McAllister; Keystone UNICO Members Frank Coviello, Val Riggi, President Mary Ann Coviello, Marilyn Vitali



Pictured are marchers from Dunmore's Keystone Chapter UNICO just before the 60th Saint Patrick's Day Parade Liturgical Celebration at Saint Peter's Cathedral, Scranton. Shown from left: Michele McDade, Tom Carlucci, Mark McDade, Parade Association President Jaime Hailstone, Honorary Parade Marshalls Mary and Drew Hailstone, Sylvia and Bob Tagert, Cathy Gerard, President Mary Ann Coviello, and Frank Coviello.

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Scranton Shakes partners with Abington library on gala fundraiser

Purchase your tickets now for a fundraising event to support the Scranton Shakespeare Festival and the Abington Community Library.

These organizations are establishing an exciting partnership by

presenting *From the Bard to Broadway* at Constantino's at 1385 Lackawanna Trail, Clarks Summit, on Sunday, April 24, from 5 to 8 p.m.

Guests can expect an evening to remember with great company,

delicious food, and unforgettable performances celebrating Shakespeare's impact on Broadway.

Attendees will be taken on a journey into the Golden Age of Broadway through the eyes of

Shakespeare, with a program including performances from fan favorites such as *West Side Story* and *Kiss Me Kate* which will feature notable Scranton Shakespeare Festival performers including Kelly Jean Graham, Stephen Murphy, John Roman Vachino, and Victoria Ferrentino, among others.

The event will not only feature a cocktail hour, dinner, desserts, and performances, but also a chance to win raffle baskets from featured community businesses.

Michael Bradshaw Flynn, artistic director of Scranton Shakespeare Festival's Artistic Director says, "Scranton Shakes wouldn't have made it to an 11th season of free, professional theater if it weren't for formidable partnerships in its first 10 seasons.

"We were excited when approached by ACL to collaborate with an organization that not only shares our mission for accessibility, but also helps broaden our reach to our neighbors in NEPA.

"It is our hope that this collaboration is the beginning of a partnership that can include lectures and deeper dives into Shakespearean texts and other programming offered," he said.

Tickets for the event can be purchased for \$75 by visiting the Abington Community Library or over the phone by calling the library at (570) 587-3440 (cash or check will need to be mailed or delivered to the library if reserving tickets over the phone).

Individuals who wish to only attend the performance, starting

at 6:30 pm, may purchase a ticket for \$35 which will include dessert, refreshments, and access to the cash bar.

Cocktail hour will include an array of appetizers and a cash bar, and guests will also enjoy a buffet dinner including meats and sides with vegetarian and gluten free options for their meals, as well as a variety of dessert choices to enjoy with coffee or tea.

These two nonprofit organizations provide services, opportunities, and enrichment to their communities through engaging programs and educational initiatives.

The Abington Community Library is dedicated to its mission to facilitate lifelong learning, provide for leisure-time interests, support student research, and encourage children, teens, and adults to read.

Scranton Shakespeare Festival is a collective of local community members and theater professionals hailing from throughout the United States and beyond.

Scranton Shakes offers a supportive community for its artists as well as unique opportunities for audiences to see classic plays, musicals, and developing work.

Learn more about these organizations by visiting their websites, lclshome.org/abington and scrantonshakes.com, or by visiting them on social media at Abington Community Library and Scranton Shakespeare on Facebook, @abingtoncommunitylibrary and @scranton_shakes on Instagram, and @abingtoncomlib @scrantonshakes on Twitter.

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Marywood lists summer camps

As part of its *Summer @ the Wood* events, Marywood University will host academic and athletic camps/clinics throughout June, July, and August. Registration deadlines are typically one week prior to the start date of the camp, unless otherwise specified.

For more details, including registration information, full camp descriptions, and associated fees, visit marywood.edu/camps.

The 2022 schedule includes the following academic and athletic camps/clinics:

JUNE:

- **Boys Lacrosse Summer Youth Clinic**, June 4 (register by May 10), 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; for athletes in grades 5-8.
- **Girls Volleyball Instructional Camp**, June 21-23 (register by June 7), 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; for athletes in grades 9-12.
- **Girls Lacrosse Camp**, June 20-22 (register by June 10), from 9 a.m.-Noon; for athletes in grades 5-9.
- **Boys Basketball Instructional Camp I**, June 27-July 1 (register by June 13), 9 a.m.-4 p.m., for athletes in grades 2-10.

JULY:

- **Biotechnology Camp**, July 11-15, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.; for high school students enrolled in AP Honors Biology, Chemistry, or Physics.
- **Street Photography Camp**, July 11-15, 10 a.m.-Noon; for high school students.
- **Design Your Future (DYF)**, July 11-23, two-week overnight program; for rising high school juniors, seniors, and recent high school graduates.
- **Summer Music Academy**, July 24-30, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; for students in grades 7-12.
- **Summer Theatre Academy**, July 24-30, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; for students in grades 7-12.
- **Healthcare Discovery Camp**, July 25-28, 8:30 a.m. registration, camp runs 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; two groups of students, ages 11-14 and ages 15-18.
- **Boys Basketball Instructional Camp II**, July 25-29 (register by June 13), 9 a.m.-4 p.m., for athletes in grades 2-10.

AUGUST:

- **Introduction to Encryption: How to Encode Secret Messages**, August 1-4, 2021, 9 a.m. - Noon; for high school students.
- **Girls Basketball Fundamental Day Camp**, August 1-4 (register by July 25), 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., for athletes in grades 2-8.
- **Girls Field Hockey Preseason Prep Camp**, August 8-11 (register by August 5), 9 a.m. - Noon; for athletes in grades 7-12.
- **Softball ID Clinic**, August 28 (register by August 14), Noon - 4 p.m.; for athletes in grades 9-12.



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Cast and staff for an upcoming production of *Steel Magnolias* to be presented by Actors Circle at Providence Playhouse include, seated from left: Norine Maier and Jessica McGuigan. Standing, same order: Eric Lutz, Jeff Ginsberg, Rachel Lucille Woodworth, Jennifer Frey Abdalla, Susan Parrick, Kelly Kapacs, Cathy Rist Strauch, and David Alejandro Smith. Dates are from April 21-May 1.

'Steel Magnolias' set April 21-May 1

by Actors Circle cast and crew

Actors Circle presents Robert Harling's *Steel Magnolias* at Providence Playhouse, 1256 Providence Road, Scranton. This comedy-drama is set in the fictional northwestern Louisiana parish of Chinquapin at Truvy's in-home beauty parlor where a group of women regularly gather and discuss things about their lives.

Directed by Eric Lutz, the cast includes: Norine Maier as M'Lynn, and Jessica McGuigan as her daughter, Shelby; Jennifer Frey Abdalla as Truvy, and Rachel Lucille Woodworth as her awkwardly shy assistant, Annelle; Kelly Kapacs as the curmudgeon Ouiser, and Susan Parrick as Clairee, her sweet friend..

Others on the production staff include: David Alejandro Smith as Stage Manager, Cathy Rist Strauch and Jeff Ginsberg as producers, and Casey Thomas assisting with set and design.

Show dates are April 21, 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 30, and May 1. Curtain is 8 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays; Sundays at 2 p.m.; Saturdays on April 23 at 1 p.m., and April 29 at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$12 General, \$10, Senior, \$8 Student; and on Thursday, April 21: \$8 General and Senior, \$6 Student. For reservations email to tickets@actorscircle.com, or call 570-342-9707.

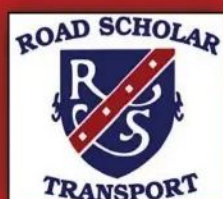
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Those of you who know me well, know that I work hard to keep my unique physique! It's not easy to fluctuate numbers on a scale like a roller-coaster within any given week. But why do I do it to myself? Because of my love for cooking.

There's no doubt that I've been known to whip up a meal or two for friends and family alike. My pallet of culinary cuisine knows no bounds either. I love learning about different types of ingredients, different methods of cooking, and most importantly, the "why" of the cooking process.

My wife reaps the benefit of my passion for preparing meals, as it's one task she never has to worry about. I almost make it impossible for her to even try to make a meal without me butting in. I was once banned from mentioning "AB" as I frequently provide unsolicited advice as to how "AB" suggests performing a certain kitchen task. "AB", of course, stands for Alton Brown.

By far, Mr. Brown is my favorite chef because he doesn't just tell you what ingredients to add to make a

dish, but he tells you why you need to add them.

In Alton's book titled *I'm Just Here for the Food*, he uses a great analogy of how to cook. He compares it to getting directions to someone's house.

Of course, you could get there if following a precise route, but what if you're on a rural country road, and a tree had fallen or a road had closed and you weren't familiar with the area?

Going by a handwritten turn-by-turn set of directions will not help you get to your destination with this unplanned detour, and even if you got there, you wouldn't know where "there" was.

Brown explains that cooking is the same way, and that is why we need to know the why when dealing with ingredients. And once we know this, we can develop our own creations with substitutions or additions to any dish.

Sure, my wife sometimes gets annoyed with my obsession over AB, but I can tell that the annoyance is more geared toward me rather than Alton. I know this because

she listens to his techniques and explanations.

For instance, she doesn't buy brown sugar, now that she knows it's just granulated sugar mixed with molasses (two ingredients we already keep in the cupboard), or she doesn't give up when she sees a recipe call for buttermilk, because she knows she only needs regular milk and lemon, or simply some vinegar.

But what is my specialty? What episodes of Alton Brown's *Good Eats* do I watch and re-watch to make sure I absorb every ounce of advice AB can give me? The answer is simply... steaks.

There's nothing I love more than trying a new steakhouse every time I visit a different city, though that's not always a viable option—at least not at the frequency I prefer.

So, cooking a steak at home is a task worth learning. There are so many different techniques, styles, and types of meat to consider when attempting to cook the perfect steak.

There's a reason why one protein has its own category of restaurants

named after it. Steakhouses—the good ones at least—should provide you with several varieties of cuts of steak from which to choose. Whether you're in the mood for a filet, a strip, a ribeye, a sirloin, a T-Bone, a porterhouse, or any one of the special cuts that butchers tend to keep for themselves, you'll find that each type is different, both in appearance, preparation, and taste.

But even when you have determined which cut of beef you'd like to indulge in, there are several subcategories of your choice.

Perhaps "choice" isn't the best word to define your selection, as it isn't the best cut of meat. The USDA has been providing a voluntary beef grading program since as early as 1917.

And when going to a restaurant to pick out a steak, you should know that the big three labels are prime, choice and select, and are ranked in that order. These gradings mainly consider the marbling in the beef and the maturity of the animal.

Even after you know what cut of beef you'd like, and the grade that you intend to order, some steakhouses offer additional options such as "dry-aged" and "bone-in."

While I won't go ahead and tell you the benefits of the flavor-enhancing technique of both options, I can point you, yet again, to Alton Brown. He's the expert and can explain the benefits of these steak enhancements.

But what I can tell you may help alleviate some curiosity you may have with eating a steak that's attached to a fibrous protein called collagen and carbonated hydroxyapatite, an inorganic compound mostly made of calcium and phosphate, or more commonly referred

to as a bone.

It's common knowledge that a bone can be dangerous if ingested. At the very least, it's unpleasant to bite into a piece of meat only to experience an unexpected shard of bone get in the way of an otherwise enjoyable morsel of steak.

As such, my office often gets calls with questions about an injury endured while eating out at a restaurant.

Without exception, my first question is always whether or not the unexpected object found in their food was foreign or natural to the food.

This is a huge distinction when dealing with the implied warranty of merchantability for food, among other theories of law.

If the item found in your meal is foreign, you have recourse against someone. What this means is that if you order a burger and chomp down on a screw or piece of glass, it's indisputable that those items should not have been in your meal. The analysis gets more involved when the object that just ruined your meal is a "natural" object.

And ordering steak *on the bone* certainly increases the risk of inadvertently biting into a natural, yet unanticipated object, i.e., the bone. Even though the likelihood of a robust and sturdy beef bone splintering is relatively rare, it can happen. And when it does, an injury can occur.

But can you recover damages for this type of injury? The age-old attorney answer is... it depends. The truth is, there are a lot of variables that are taken into consideration when performing an analysis of "natural objects" found in food.

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UNICO anniversary

Dunmore's Keystone Chapter UNICO has scheduled its 10th Anniversary Celebration for Sunday, May 22nd at Fiorelli's Catering and Banquet Hall, Peckville.

The primary beneficiary from this event will be ClothesLine For

Men, operated by Friends of the Poor. The evening will have a Black and White/Big Band Theme. Formal attire will be welcomed but not required.

There will be entertainment for listening and dancing pleasure by Frankie and Toby along with a complimentary cocktail hour with passed hors d'oeuvres.

Raffles will include: The Italian Money Umbrella; Wilbur, the Classic Italian Pig, with a belly filled with cash; and the ever-popular Italian Basket Raffle.

News announcer Nick Toma from WYOU/WBRE TV will announce all raffle winners. Guests will receive a 5x7 souvenir photo taken by Richard Banick that evening.

Dinner will be Fiorelli's Famous Italian Pig Roast Buffet.

Sponsorship opportunities and Program Book ads are available by calling Mark McDade at 570-343-7009. This event is open to the public and formal invitations can be obtained by calling President Mary Ann Coviello at 570-344-3737 or Michele McDade 570-343-7009.

PA info session

Marywood University's Physician Assistant (PA) program will host a Virtual Information Session on Monday, April 11, from 5-7 p.m.

This event is free and open to anyone interested in pursuing an advanced degree in PA Studies. Attendees will interact with Physician Assistant faculty and current students, learn about the admissions process, and participate in a Q&A session. To register, visit admissions.marywood.edu/register/Spr22PA.

SCC improv show

The current cast members of the Emmy-nominated IV show "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" will present their new improv tour: "WHOSE LIVE ANYWAY?" appearing live in concert at the Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple on April 29 at 8 p.m.

The show is 90 minutes of hilarious improvised comedy and song, all based on audience suggestions.

Cast members are Greg Proops, Jeff B. Davis, Ryan Stiles, and Joel Murray. Audience participation is key to the show, so bring your suggestions and you might be asked to join the cast onstage!

This particular style of improvisational comedy is rife with countless gags, one-liners, hilarious games and even songs so good you will hardly believe they were made up on the spot. Ryan All ages are welcome.

Tickets for "WHOSE LIVE ANYWAY?" are on sale ranging from \$46-56 (plus fees) and are available for purchase at the Fidelity Bank Box Office at the SCC in person or by calling (570) 344-1111, or via Ticketmaster. For more information or to view a full schedule of events, visit SCCMT.org.

String fling show

The Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple announces a retooled String Fling, offering an all-acoustic evening with Mike Miz on April 8 at 7 p.m. at Shopland Hall. Doors open at 6:30. This is a one-night stop from Nashville for Mike Miz, who hasn't performed in NEPA since the fall.

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The Dunmore Lions Club recently installed a new member at its regular meeting at the Dunmore Community Center. Pictured from left are Lion Cindy Lee Church, sponsor; new member Christina Stolze, and installing officer, LaSam Sebastianelli. Christina and Cindy are also members of the Lackawanna Blind Association and have already shown their volunteering spirit on a number of Lion projects and services.

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Look into Cheryl's basket for this Easter!

It's time to think about Easter! What do you put in your Easter basket?

Being of Eastern European descent, my basket is very special. It's only use is sacred—to hold the Easter

foods to be blessed. Once I retrieve my basket from the closet, I hang it outside to air. Baba Pidick told me it chases the evil spirits away from the house.

Once aired out and dressed with

Easter linens and an Easter bow, I start filling it with the following items: A blessed candle, hrutka (big ball of eggs and milk considered Easter "cheese"), homemade paska (bread), salt, kielbasi, ham, horseradish, hard-boiled eggs, an orange, and butter. Some people put chocolate eggs, wine, and whatever they plan on eating for Easter.

Once filled, I make the annual pilgrimage to St. Mary's Byzantine Church in Scranton for blessing of the baskets amid prayers of "Christos Voskres" (Christ is Risen). I've kept this tradition ever since my mother and Baba have passed away.

One tradition I did change is the process of making the Hrutka. I now make it in the microwave rather than stirring it over a double-boiler for what seemed like an eternity.

Also, I cook my ham in beer. That's the only way our family has ever made it. We didn't drink beer....we cooked with it.

Next for discussion is the kielbasi. My parents liked two different kielbasi.

My father preferred Komensky's from Duryea and my mother liked Catalano's from Cedar Avenue in South Scranton.

My father's tasted better hot, while mother's tasted better served cold.

Another tradition is standing in line at markets during Holy Week.... Bosak's, Schiff's and Oprisko's in Simpson. The wafting of Easter aromas surround you as you're waiting. My two favorite aromas at this time are kielbasi and hyacinths together.... that's Easter!

Now, what do we do with all that kielbasi? After Easter dinner, it's time to think about how we're going to serve leftover kielbasi. Here are just a few suggestions:

KIELBASI IN BEER SAUCE

3 lbs. kielbasi, cut into 1/2" slices
1 cup chopped green onion
12 Tbsp. butter
Flour, to thicken
4 tsp. dry mustard
4 tsp. caraway seeds
2 1/2 tsp. cayenne pepper
1/2 tsp. salt
4 cups milk
24 oz. American cheese, cubed
12 oz. Swiss cheese, shredded
2 2/3 cup beer
6 lbs. cooked linguine

Cook kielbasi until browned. Drain on paper towels. Drain fat from pot. In the same pot, cook green onions in butter until tender. Stir in flour until

Cheryl's Cuisine



By Cheryl Radkiewicz

mixture thickens, making a roux.

Add mustard, caraway seeds, cayenne pepper and salt. Stir in milk and cook until thickened. Add cheese, beer and kielbasi. Stir until all cheese is melted.

Serve hot over linguine. Can do ahead except for the pasta. Serves 12-15.

KIELBASI AND SAUERKRAUT

2 lbs. fresh or smoked kielbasi
2 large cans sauerkraut
2 large onions
Small piece of salt pork or smoked bacon
2 Tbsp. flour
2 Tbsp. bacon fat

Bake kielbasi in 325 degree oven for 1 hour in pan with water to cover. Thoroughly rinse and drain sauerkraut.

Place in pan with 2 whole onions

and salt pork, add salt and pepper to taste. Add water to cover; simmer 45 minutes.

When kielbasi is cooked, drain, cut into 4" pieces, add to sauerkraut and continue cooking for 30 minutes. In a small frying pan, brown flour in bacon fat. When golden brown, add to kielbasi and sauerkraut and mix thoroughly. Serves 8.

KIELBASI AND VEGETABLE SKILLET

1 1/2 cup water
1 bay leaf
2 beef bouillon cubes
1-24 oz. bag frozen vegetables for stew
1 Kielbasi, about 1 1/4 lbs., scored

In skillet bring water, bay leaf and bouillon cubes to boil. Add vegetables. Top with sausage rind. Cover

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The traditional Easter basket arranged by Cheryl Radkewicz includes a blessed candle, hrutka, paska, salt, kielbasi, ham, horseradish, hard-boiled eggs, an orange and butter arranged with Easter linens and a bow.

and simmer until sausage is done, about 25 minutes. Remove sausage. Cut into 2" chunks and remove casing. Return to skillet just to heat. Serve in bowls with mustard and crusty bread. Serves 4.

POLYNESIAN KIELBASI

- 1 lb. kielbasi, cut into 1/2" pieces
- 1 cup sliced onions
- 2 cloves of minced garlic
- 1 cup green peppers, sliced
- 1-16 oz. can whole tomatoes, drained and quartered
- 1-12 oz. can pineapple chunks, drained (save juice)
- 1 cup beef broth
- 1 Tbsp. brown sugar
- 1/4 tsp. pepper
- 2 Tbsp. cornstarch

Cook kielbasi, onions, garlic, and peppers in 3 Tbsp. of oil until onion is transparent, about 5 minutes. Add tomatoes, pineapple, broth, sugar and pepper. Cover and simmer 5 minutes. Mix cornstarch with pineapple juice. Add to kielbasi mixture and stir until thickened. Serve with rice. Serves 4.

KIELBASI CABBAGE STEW

- 1 lb. kielbasi, sliced
- 1 lb. potatoes, peeled and cubed
- 2 cups shredded cabbage
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1-14 oz. can chicken broth
- 3/4 cup water, divided
- 2 Tbsp. sugar
- 1 tsp. caraway seeds
- 1/4 tsp. pepper

- 1-16 oz. can kidney beans, rinsed and drained
- 3 Tbsp. cider vinegar
- 2 Tbsp. all-purpose flour

In large saucepan or nonstick skillet, brown kielbasi over medium heat. Add potatoes, cabbage, onion, broth, 1/2 cup water, sugar, caraway and pepper.

Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer 15 minutes or until potatoes are tender, stirring occasionally. Add beans and vinegar; cover and simmer 5-10 minutes longer. Combine flour and remaining water until smooth; stir into stew.

Bring to boil; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened. Serves 4.

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Marywood professor president of psychology board

Lindsay A. Phillips, Psy.D., ABPP, associate professor of psychology/counseling at Marywood University, recently began her term as president of American Board of Clinical Psychology (ABCP). Dr. Phillips teaches undergraduate through graduate students, and she also is a core clinical faculty member for Marywood's Psy.D. Program in clinical psychology.

Emphasizing the national importance of the role, as well as Dr. Phillips's demonstrated professional expertise, credentials, and leadership qualities, her colleague, Robert Shaw, Psy.D., ABPP, director of Marywood's Counseling and Student Development Center, stated, "The board and the membership of the American Board of Clinical Psychology elected her to

serve as president of the Board, representing and serving the field of clinical psychology and, in doing so, carrying the standard of Marywood University at the zenith of the discipline."

The American Board of Clinical Psychology is a member specialty board of the American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP). The ABCP is responsible for establishing criteria related to the definition, education, training, competencies, and the examination

leading to certification as a specialist in Clinical Psychology.

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Some factors taken into consideration are whether or not the object is foreseeable, as in, can the consumer reasonably expect to find that type of object in the dish they are eating. While a beef bone is natural, you wouldn't expect to find it in a peach. And likewise, you wouldn't expect to find a peach pit in your pit beef.

Either way, if you find yourself in this disagreeable dining dilemma, and you are hurt as a result, it's best to contact an attorney to see what can be done. We've helped numerous people navigate through this legal issue, successfully advised them of what was at "steak," and got them adequate compensation for their injuries.

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This Zayac family photo from July 2014 shows Theo holding Jude, age 3 months; Greg, and their then three-year-old son Gregory.

Jog for Jude...

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The Jude Zayac Foundation can be followed on Facebook and Instagram (@judezayacfoundation) for ways to receive the most up to date information about events and efforts in the fight against SIDS.

Greg and Theo Zayac are committed to ensuring no more children share the same fate as their infant son. "The Jude Zayac Foundation," said Theo, "raises funds to support SIDS research and provide enrichment to children living in our community—all in loving memory of sweet baby Jude."

Theo said research continues to raise increased awareness on SIDS. "In 2010," she said, "a study from the Boston Children's Hospital concluded there may be a link between brain stem abnormalities and serotonin deficiencies and SIDS. More studies like this need to be conducted to develop this theory and help find a way to detect SIDS before it kills more healthy babies."

"We are asking you to continue to honor our son, Jude, to stop SIDS in its tracks before it takes another life, and to enrich the lives of Jude's would-be-friends and classmates."

"We hope to truly make a difference on behalf of our son."



A recent photo of the Zayacs shows Theo and Greg with Gus, at top, and Gregory at right. In front, Matilda.

The Zayac couple have three children: Gregory, 11, and Matilda, 6, both students at Dunmore Elementary Center; and Gus, 4, a student at Saint Clare's preschool in Green Ridge. The close-knit family keeps Jude in their heart always and forever.

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Future Dunmore Lady Buck **Ava Walsh** was leading scorer and top foul shooter for two years in "B" Division of Dunmore Biddy Basketball Association, with her team winning two championships...**Delvi Olivetti**, 97, owner and operator of Dunmore Roofing and Keystone Container, was shot in right elbow during Battle of the Bulge during World War II and received Purple Heart and numerous other letters of recognition...Olivetti, who remembers playing baseball at the old Franklin Elementary School, keeping close eye on War in Ukraine while living in same Dunmore home he grew up in... Looks like there will be no Gardy Party in the Bronx this season, with **Brett Gardner** not on Yankees opening day roster...Gardy, 38, played his entire 14 year career in New York Yankees uniform and is only Yankee ever to steal more than 270 bases and hit more than 70 triples...

Will the Joker win his second consecutive NBA MVP this season or will it go to **Joel Embid**, **The Greek Freak**, **Luka Doncic**, **DeMar DeRozan**, **Ja Morant**, or **Devin Booker**?...Amazing Lebron

James, despite Lakers dismal season, leads NBA in scoring average at 30.2 points per game at age 37... Congratulations to veteran coach **Al Callejas**, battling cancer, and his Holy Cross Crusaders for winning ninth district title since program's 2007-08 inception with 39-27 win over Old Forge... **Logan Tierney** led Crusaders with 11 points...**Hayden Hosie** and **Kaeden Carr** added nine points each...

Scranton Prep junior standout running back **London Montgomery** received football scholarship offer from Penn State... Montgomery has received 16 scholarship offers...Mid Valley senior track and field star **Avery Rebar** committed to Bucknell University where she will compete in throwing events...Holy Cross senior **Kaci Kranson** scored Mohogan Sun Arena record 33 points as Lady Crusaders earned second straight district title and third in four years with 62-47 win over Elk Lake... Northeastern Chapter of Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame will hold annual induction ceremony October 2 at Fiorelli's, Peckville...Former University

of Scranton assistant basketball coach **Bob Walsh** is chapter president...Mid Valley baseball product and former Scranton Red Sox manager **Jerry Valonis** is vice president...**Moriah Murray**, Times-Tribune Player of Year, made winning layup in Dunmore Lady Bucks district title win, 43-42, over Scranton Prep...Dunmore senior **Mia Blume** led Dunmore with 11 points...Dunmore junior center **Ciera Toomey** scored 10 points before suffering torn ACL in second quarter...Dunmore freshman **Sophia Talutto** helped pick up slack with eight points...Do you remember **James Fives** scoring 17 points for Scranton Prep in 59-47 win over Dallas 10 years ago in District 2 Class 3A semifinal?...

Do you remember **Gerry McNamara** scoring 24 points for Bishop Hannan 20 years ago in 67-48 win over Dunmore in District 2 Class 2A semifinal?...Former Holy Cross and University of Scranton baseball standout **Anthony Duchnowski**, Dunmore, gearing up for a baseball comeback in Wyoming Valley Summer Baseball League...Do you remember **Pat Comerford**?...How about the Philadelphia Phillies signing slugger **Kyle Schwarber** and hard hitting **Nick Castellanos** to help **Bryce Harper** in lineup?...Prayers for **Olena**, bartender/waitress at The Roosey in Dunmore, who has family in Ukraine...

Do you remember Syracuse basketball coach **Jimmy Boeheim** playing guard for Scranton Miners in EBA at Scranton CYC?...Long time Keystone College coach and athletic director **Michael Mould** to be honored during gala on campus April 22...Former WNEP-TV sports director **Jim Coles** will emcee event...Congratulations to Holy Cross senior basketball player **Kaci Kranson** and Dunmore's **Ciera Toomey** and Player of Year **Moriah Murray** for All Regional selections...

Congratulations to Kansas Jayhawks for earning NCAA basketball championship over North Carolina...And happy retirement to **Coach K** who led his Duke team to Final Four...MLB commissioner **Rob Manfred** ruining our sacred game of baseball with his idiotic ghost man on second rule which he designed to end games quicker...

Shouldn't teams earn wins by getting on base the real way?...Ghost man or Manfred Man on second seems more like whiffle ball or t-ball rules...And Manfred lied to us, initially stating the ghost man would not be back...Why are MLB starting pitchers only expected to pitch five innings anymore?...

Bring back the days of pitchers who were expected to throw complete games like **Bob Gibson**, **Gaylord Perry**, **Phil Neikro**, **Nolan Ryan**, **Tom Seaver**, **Steve Carlton**, **Wilber Wood**, **Fergie Jenkins**, **Luis Tiant**, **Bert Blyleven** and **Jack Morris**...How about Dunmore's **Moriah Murray** scoring 32 points in Lady Bucks PIAA Class 4A first round win, 51-25, over Shamokin...Dunmore freshman **Sophia Talutto** added 12 points...How about Holy Cross product **Abby Anderson** averaging almost 18 points per game this season for University of Scranton Lady Royals...**Moriah Murray**

scored 35 points for Lady Bucks in Dunmore's 62-53 overtime win over Villa Joseph Marie, in Class 4A second-round PIAA contest... **Mia Blume** and **Sophia Talutto** added 12 points each for Dunmore...Did anyone really think **Tom Brady** would be retired for long?...The surprise came when Tampa Bay coach **Bruce Arians** stepped down just two weeks after Brady said he was coming back...**Josh Donaldson** and **Isiah Kiner-Falefa** should be nice additions to New York Yankees infield...Expect Donaldson, former AL MVP, to eventually take on leadership role...Do you remember **Joe Natale**?...Whatever became of **Tom Hume**?...

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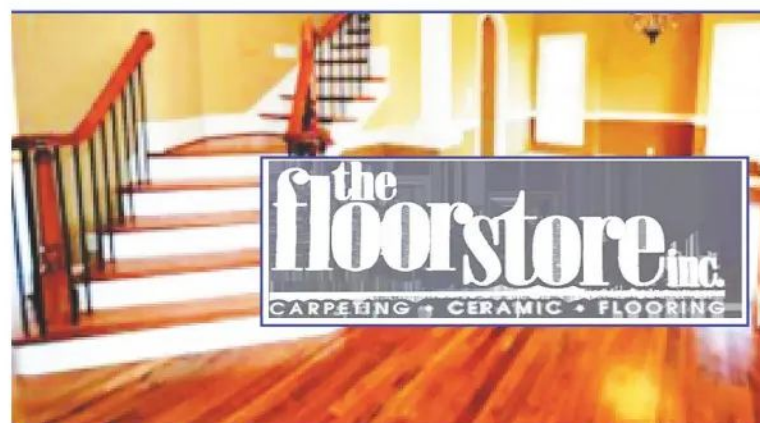


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Co-Athlete of Month Sophia Talutto steps up her game as DHS freshman

By Steve Svetovich

As a freshman in the Dunmore Lady Bucks starting five, Sophia Talutto made her mark as the season progressed.

But she really stepped up her game when all-state junior center Ciera Toomey went down with a torn ACL in the Lady Bucks district title win over Scranton Prep, 43-42, Thursday, March 3, at Mohegan Sun Arena.

Dunmore senior Moriah Murray hit the game-winning bucket in the district title win while senior Mia Blume led the Lady Bucks with 11 points, but the talented freshman Talutto chipped in with eight points, including two key 3-pointers.

Murray led the way with 32 points in the Lady Bucks 51-25 win over Shamokin in the PIAA Class 4A first round win Wednesday, March 9, but Sophia added 12 points as the team's second leading scorer.

Murray scored 35 points in Dunmore's 62-53 overtime win over Villa Joseph Marie in the PIAA Class 4A second round contest Sunday, March 13, at Easton Middle School. Sophia and Mia Blume were the team's second leading scorers with 12 points each.

The Lady Bucks lost 40-39 in the PIAA Class 4A quarterfinal at Berwick High School Wednesday, March 16, but Sophia led Dunmore in scoring with 14 points.

So the scrappy freshman became a mighty contributor in the playoffs, with standout teammate Ciera Toomey on the sidelines. Sophia, Moriah, Mia and a few others stepped up their games to the max.

Daughter of Lori and Joseph Talutto, Dunmore, Sophia, 15, averaged about 8.5 points per game as a freshman shooting guard this season.

Her sister Anna Talutto was a key four-year member of the Dunmore Lady Bucks and currently attends Penn State.

"My sister was known for her defense," Sophia said. "And I learned a lot just by watching her play. She taught me a lot about how to play good defense. I pattern a lot of my game after her."

Sophia said she and her teammates were thrilled with the district title win. "A lot of it was for Ciera. We became more aggressive after she went down and fought hard to help get her a district title. We all stepped up, played with more confidence, and played together as a team. We were so happy to get



that win. We were happy for Ciera and all of us as teammates.

"With Ciera going down early in that game, it was bad. We all felt bad at first. There were a lot of emotions and then we came through."

"Winning the district championship was the greatest feeling ever." Well-spoken and intelligent, Sophia has a 98.5 academic average at Dunmore. She is a member of the TACT Club and is a left wing on the soccer team.

She has played AAU basketball for five years on the NEPA Elite.

Sophia said her parents are a strong influence. "They teach me to always keep going. If you get knocked down, you need to get right back up."

She has learned a lot from Dunmore veteran basketball coach Ben O'Brien. "He gave me a lot of confidence and is very supportive of everything."

Sophia enjoys rap music and said she would like to see Tyler the Creator in concert.

As a freshman, she is enjoying her time at Dunmore and looking forward to the next three years.

"Freshman year has really been great," she said. "I've made a lot of memories and friendships. I love the community. We have great fans."

Sophia has time to decide on a college and major, but there is one thing she knows for sure when the time comes. "I want to play basketball in college. I love the game."

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Holy Cross senior Priscilla Grill overcomes injury to play key role on softball team

By Steve Svetovich

When Holy Cross senior Priscilla Grill broke her left tibia bone in 2020, she knew there would be a long road to recovery.

But through hard work and dedication, Priscilla came back strong to regain her stature as a key member of the Holy Cross softball and tennis teams.

Daughter of Priscilla and Garth Grill, the talented senior broke her left tibia bone during a softball practice and underwent surgery in September 2020.

She was non-weightbearing for two months and unable to run until January 2021.

She then began training under Jermaine Loughney at New Breed Athletics in Old Forge.

"I not only wanted to come back to normal," she said, "but I wanted to become faster and stronger. I worked really hard and have to credit my trainer as well as family, friends, teammates, and coaches for being supportive."

Priscilla is a four-year member of both the softball and tennis teams at Holy Cross. She batted .300 for the Lady Crusaders softball team last season.

She has learned a lot from Holy

Cross softball coach Joe Ross. "He is a really good coach," she said. "It is amazing what he does for us. He teaches us to be good people. He always teaches us a life lesson. The latest one is to always be the better person."

Well-spoken and articulate, Priscilla said her parents taught her a lot.

"Sometimes when playing, I get super-stressed. My parents are my constant. They show up and help me relax. They tell me to play the game. They tell me to go out and have fun. When I see them there, it just helps."

The hardworking scholar-athlete has a highly impressive 4.17 academic average at Holy Cross. Her best academic subject is science and she is currently taking anatomy. Priscilla is a member of the National Honor Society and Ceramics Club at Holy Cross.

She would like to study to become a physician's assistant at Marywood University. She also plans on playing softball at Marywood.

Priscilla enjoys listening to music in her spare time and would like to see Shawn Mendez in concert.

She talked about what it takes to be a solid second baseman in high

school softball. "You really have to know the game. It is not an easy position like some might think it is. You need to know where the ball is going. You need to relax and not get too tense. You need to be alert, but loose."

"And you need to have a great relationship with your shortstop. I have a great relationship with our shortstop, Carly Wywoda. She is like a sister to me. We trust each other. Carly and I have known each other since we were 12."

The energetic senior said she has great memories of Holy Cross despite the trials and tribulations of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"It's been a little crazy because of COVID," she said. "It pretty much took away a good part of my sophomore year. We couldn't even play our softball season that year. Things started to come back to normal my junior year."

"My senior year has been great, but it is going by much too fast. My freshman year was so great. I wish I could just re-live my freshman year every year of my life."

Priscilla also plays for the NEPA Adrenaline travel softball team in Tripps Park, Scranton. She has been on the team four years since 2018.



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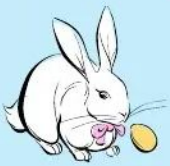
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Michael Borowski will be on piano and Stephen Kurtz on upright bass. The remaining lineup includes star-studded locals such as Bret Alexander (The Badlees) joined by friends Tim & Rob Husty, AJ Jump and special guest, Ellie Rose. Roy Williams (South Side Five, Bog Swing, Fiddle Tamers, Human Hands) will be accompanied by Shawn Caden as they debut their new duo, Big Leaf: with music made for guitar and mandolin.

Educators event

Skills in Scranton, the workforce development affiliate of The Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce, will host Act 158: Pathways to Graduation, a virtual presentation on Wednesday, April 27 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. All school administrators, guidance counselors, educators, school board directors, higher education staff, and community members in Lackawanna County are invited to attend.

Guest speaker, Sue Kuhl – Pennsylvania career readiness liaison – will discuss the Career Ready PA Coalition, updates impacting Act 158, and provide information to school districts on preparing students in college, career, and community readiness here in Lackawanna County.

For more than 25 years, Skills in Scranton – through its Educator in the Workplace program – has worked with local employers, school districts, higher education partners and Pennsylvania data experts to develop strategies that help ensure the regional workforce is aligned with high-priority jobs of the future.

Those interested in attending can RSVP to Karen Durkin at kdurkin@scrantonchamber.com.

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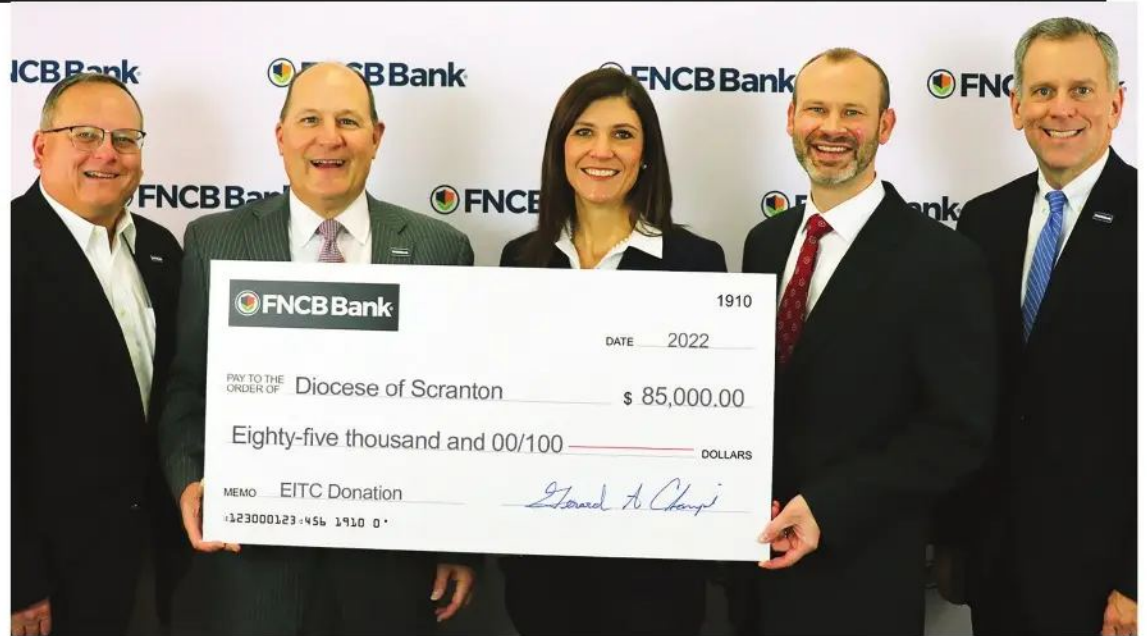
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