

Dunmorean of the Month

DHS Homecoming queen & court

Guy Valvano



By Steve Svetovich

Guy Valvano couldn't wait to get to the sports section of the local newspaper when he was a youngster growing up in Dunmore.

"I knew what I wanted to do with my life by the time I was in the fourth grade," he said. And he did.

Anyone who has met Dunmore's Guy Valvano knows he has a wide breadth of knowledge about local sports.

"He really is a walking encyclopedia when it comes to local sports," said former Scranton Central and William and Mary basketball standout Tim Wagner who operates Wagner's Sporting Goods in the Green Ridge section of Scranton.

Valvano turns 95 this October. It's safe to call him a legend in the world of local sports journalism. He's been that for some time now.

He kept the scores of every local high school football game from 1950 until June of 2015 when he suffered a brain aneurysm. "That is the only thing that stopped me," he said.

The local sports icon did recover from the aneurysm and continues to follow the local sports scene.

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Tiffany Dudick, Dunmore High School's 2023 Homecoming Queen, is shown being escorted by Albert Renna.

ABOVE: Members of the 2023 Dunmore High School Homecoming Court, included, first row from left: Sophia Summa, Mia Capooci, Homecoming Queen Tiffany Dudick, Mary Burke, Tristan Canavan, Giulietta Escobar, Allison Dempsey, Brynn Kochis, Anna Belko, Cecelia Amico, and Miss Buck Mia Irving. Back row, same order: Anthony Santarsiero, Caden Meyers, Albert Renna, Evan Capooci, Aidan Kearney, Lawrence Zeller, Cullen Smith, Camden McCarthy, Kamran Zia, Evan McHale, and Jackson Madajeski.

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Arthritis has slowed him a bit over the past couple years. "I don't get to the games like I used to, but I certainly continue to follow all of the local sports."

The 1946 Dunmore graduate has been married 70 years to the former Marie Bevelock, a 1949 Dunmore graduate who served as a nurse for 31 years in the Dunmore School District. The couple celebrated their milestone anniversary this past April 11.

Guy actually covered his wife's Dunmore High School graduation, but did not know her at the time. He met her shortly after.

The couple has one son, Guy, Dunmore, and three daughters, Terry Macciocco, Mary Ann Ragnacci, and Diane Lewis, all of Dunmore. The couple also has five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Valvano spent a good portion of his life covering sports as a reporter and editor.

He played two years of basketball as a 5-9 center at Dunmore High School earning second team all-star recognition as a junior and playing in the basketball Dream Game in his senior year.

"Initially, I raised my hand to play forward when I was in junior high school," he said. "They didn't pick me. So I figured I better raise my hand to try out for center. Then the coaches picked me, so that is how I became a 5-9 center. I figured I better raise my hand again if I wanted to make the team."

Towards the end of high school, Valvano began transporting the Dunmore baseball and basketball scores and information to Jimmy Calpin, sports editor at the Scranton Tribune at the time.

"I took the write-ups to Calpin and he took the time to get to know me. He would take the time to talk to me. At the time I really wanted to get into sports writing, but didn't know if I would get a shot at it.

"Calpin noticed I had an interest in sports and said it looked like sports reporting would be something of interest to me. So he offered me a position as copy boy. I told him about my high school basketball schedule which included both games and practices. He told me he would work around my basketball schedule. I couldn't believe it. At the time, I turned it down in order to concentrate on basketball.

"That summer I was working for a landscaper cutting grass in Dunmore. I started thinking about where I was going with my life. I was thinking that I would need a job after the summer, so I called Calpin.

"Initially, he said there was no opening but would keep me in mind. But about a week later he called and said he could help me out. B.B. Powell was the managing editor. He offered me the copy boy job. He told me to get there immediately to apply. I ran right up there. He told me I would have to report to work the next day. I did and that was it."

Valvano worked at the Scranton Tribune as a copy boy for six months before being named a news correspondent covering Dunmore and East Scranton. He also covered North and West Scranton as needed. That job lasted 2-1/2 years before he was promoted to the position of staff reporter in 1949, right before the start of the high school football season.

In the early 1950's he moved over to the sports staff as a full time sports reporter at the Scranton Tribune. He covered sports there for the next four decades until the Scranton Tribune's demise in 1990.

During that time, he was named assistant sports editor of both the Scranton Tribune and Sunday Scrantonian in 1972 and then promoted to sports editor of the Sunday Scrantonian in 1983.

Following his long tenure at The Scranton Tribune and Sunday Scrantonian, Valvano never stopped writing. He immediately joined the sports staff of The Sunday Sun, a local newspaper created by former reporters, editors and printers of the defunct Scranton Tribune. He stayed with The Sunday Sun for a year until that newspaper's ultimate demise.

Valvano then joined The Dunmorean where he wrote sports stories on and off for the next 25 years.

In the meantime, he wrote 12 sports-related books. All of the books capture the local high school sports scene over the past eight decades.

His last book was about the University of Scranton men's soccer team. One of his books was about The Dream Game. All dozen of the books carry volumes of information on the local sports scene, covering almost a full century.

"If I wrote another book," he said, "I would write about the late Jack Henzes, Vince Fedor, Jim Ferguson and Frank Montero who recently passed away. I would call it 'The Men of Autumn,' being that their sports were played in autumn."

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Dunmorean of the Month Guy Valvano is shown in these photos.

Top left: Guy is shown second from left in the top row with members of the 1945 Bucktown Baseball Champions.

Bottom right: Guy is seated in the center of the bottom row, Number 12, as cocaptain of the 1945 Dunmore Basketball Team.

Above: Valvano is shown at his induction into the University of Scranton Wall of Fame with former university president Father Panuska.

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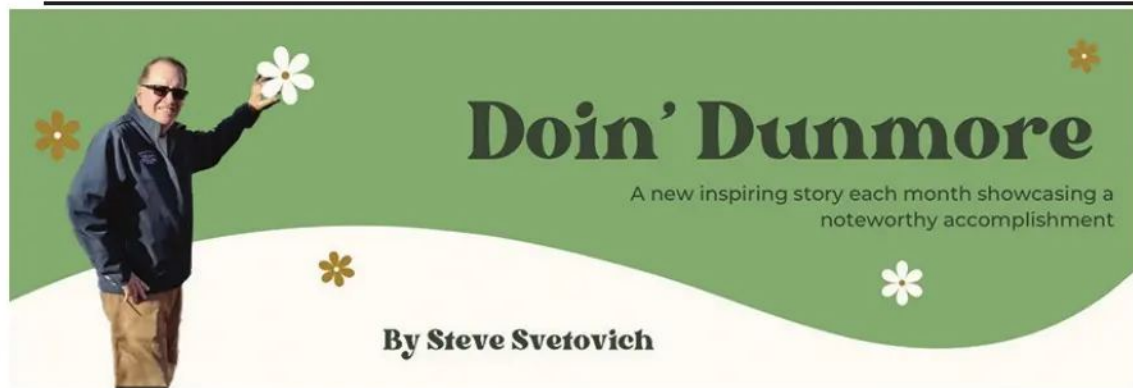
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By Steve Svetovich

Scranton native pens book of poetry in Louisiana

As a youth, he was articulate, witty, curious, cool, intelligent, personable, and a bit of a rebel all in one.

He was adventurous, had a keen sense of humor, was always in on a prank, and had a defining laugh that earned him a lifetime nickname.

He's Kevin "Gig" McGowan, born and raised in the Green Ridge Plot section, and a big part of its lore.

This scribe had a chance to spend a few hours last month with my childhood friend from Robert Morris Elementary School and North Scranton Junior High School.

Ironically, it was at Gig's Scranton Central High School Reunion where we were reunited. This is a reunion this scribe thankfully gets invited to every five years despite not even graduating from there. But that's another story.

Gig attended the reunion with his

lifetime buddy John O'Connor, another Green Ridge Plot legend.

In our youth, we would be meeting on the trestle of the railroad tracks. This time it was at the Waldorf Tiki Bar in East Mountain.

This scribe had not seen Gig in a couple decades, but we recently started texting and calling each other to catch up on the years.

Gig, like many in our generation, took awhile to find himself and his pathway in life. At some point around 30, he did.

Somehow he ended up in Louisiana where he has a family.

He held various jobs and vocations in his life, including eventually becoming a teacher for some time.

Through it all, he matured a bit, but still maintained his curious nature, humor, and an introspective look on life.

And that led him to his greatest

passion - writing. That's a passion we have in common and he can certainly relate to it.

Several months before we reconnected at the high school reunion, Gig mailed me an interesting book of poetry he wrote and published. The book is called, "Pangaea." It was published by Kelsay Books of American Fork, Utah.

Gig's poems are an assortment of observations and life experiences, some with subliminal messages. Some are about his experiences living in Northeast Pennsylvania, particularly the Scranton area, and the many characters met and places seen.

A sample of the work in his book comes in the poem, "Merwin and K. Arthur Return (to Scranton, Pennsylvania)."

He wrote: "Bill, we can go back. Forty years gone, the cops have forgotten my name. And you - sometimes the homeland forgives its prophet."

"The only coal left is in the museum of Nay Aug Park, and the spot where we played king of the culm pile is a parking lot."

"It's true the Lackawanna train station is now a landmark hotel, and Pete Bordi's dime drafts and quarter hot dogs were replaced by a Gap store in 1989, but the Glider restaurant still serves the best french fries and gravy in the world (I'll need your testimony on this)."

"The Lackawanna River has fish."

"You've lived in Hawaii and Spain and Mexico and Poetry and everywhere the raven flies, but is there any place like Scranton?"

"We'll go out drinking Saturday night and wake to your father's church bells one more time."

In the poem, "Black Diamond," he writes:

"To be honest, I don't want to think deeply on anything. You, me, us, the evil letter, cholesterol, ex-wife, ex-jobs, existentialism, global warming, a long-stemmed white rose in a bomb crater."

"Once on the thirteen-hundred miles back to Scranton I tried to picture everyone I ever knew. After a while my head hurt. I couldn't bring them all back."

"When the coal in our furnace

turned to cinders, my grandfather would gather the ashes and spread them on the ice."

"This I understand."

In his acknowledgements of the book, Gig gives special thanks to David Dodd Lee.

He dedicated "Pangaea" to the survivors of the Green Ridge Plot section and to the memory of those who passed away, including Clarence, Bam, Hammerhead, Bomar, Pifer, Jake, Stone's brother, Bruce,

Kim Snyder, Mickey, Melonhead, Elmer, V, Gong Gong, Madge, Bug and Mo (original).

A fitting tribute.

Gig has a different job now. He is no longer teaching. But he is looking forward to eventual retirement, so he can continue with his passion. The curiosity remains and so does the creative outlook on life.

Gig has a lot of writing left to do. And he can't wait to get started again.



Dunmorean columnist Steve Svetovich is shown with local author Kevin "Gig" McGowan, now of Louisiana.



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At Dunmore's Keystone UNICO Clambake four candidates were inducted into the Keystone Chapter of UNICO National. Shown in front row from left are Cathy Gerard and Sallie Noto, sponsors; Ann Berardelli, Joe Lacertoso, Hailey Rocco and Hannah Rocco, new members. Back row, same order: Peter Noto and Cesira Berardelli, sponsors; and Mark McDade, Charter President and inducing officer. Nanine Gramigna is Keystone Chapter President.



Cinderella's Closet plans final sale offering formal dresses

Cinderella's Closet of NEPA will make prom dreams come true one last time. The organization will be closing its doors after years of supporting young people across Northeastern Pennsylvania.

But the organization will host a "Goodbye Sale" on Saturday, Oct. 7, from noon to 4 p.m., at an all-new location at St. Mary's Center, 320 Mifflin Ave., Scranton. This is a one-day only event open to all ages.

Formal dresses, shoes, purses, wraps and jewelry in a variety of styles will be available for \$10 or less - with dresses being sold as buy one, get one free. More than 1,000 dresses are available in sizes from 0-24. All sales are final, and dressing rooms will not be available for try-ons.

"In recent years, many organizations have emerged that can provide year-round access to their inventory - something our clients ask for everyday. Understanding our own limitations and the many other resources available, Cinderella's Closet of NEPA is happy to pass the magic wand so residents across our region have access to the support they need," said Colleen Joyce, President of the CC of NEPA Board of Directors.

While the organization's annual dress sale will no longer be held, its scholarship administered through the Scranton Area Community Foundation will continue to support young people in our region. Applications for the scholarship are accepted through April 1 at: www.safdn.org

Cinderella's Closet of NEPA is a 501(c)(3) charitable, nonprofit organization in northeastern Pennsylvania dedicated to fostering the self-esteem of young people and providing them the opportunity to have an affordable prom experience. The organization, which began as a provisional project of the Junior League of Scranton, is volunteer-driven and has provided thousands of affordable gowns to young women from across the region.

AT LEFT: The Dunmore Lions Club recently purchased Dunmore Borough limit signs along with Lion Logo signs to be erected at approved areas in the Borough. The procurement was made possible by the generosity of the Richard Green family. Richard served the Dunmore Lions in various offices for 43 years and recently passed away on Aug. 2. He also was active in the Lackawanna Blind Association, the Blinded Veterans Association of Pennsylvania and was an advisory board member with the Gino Merli Veteran Center. Pictured from left are Lion Michael Colangelo, Lion Stephanie Ventura, Lion Gino Tempesta, Lion President Jim Colangelo, Rick Green, Madison Green, Donna Green, Lion Angelo Martarano, Lion Beth Zangardi, Lion Mary Regina Perry, and Lion Renee Iezzi.



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All four of these men were involved in Dunmore sports for close to half a century or more. Henzes was Dunmore football coach for 48 of his 52 years as a head coach. Ferguson was the Dunmore public address announcer for about 60 years. Fedor coached cross country at Dunmore for 53 years. Montero was involved with Friends of the Bucks for five decades.

"The only thing that keeps me from writing this book is the arthritis in my hands. I would have to dictate it to someone."

Valvano also took on a position as sports information director at Lackawanna Junior College from 1993 until 2004. His years at the Scranton Tribune went from 1946 to 1990. He was 17 when he started and 62 when the newspaper folded while he was still a full-time editor.

Valvano said he loved covering the Dream Game. "That was one of my real favorites. You could write a feature story on every single kid selected. That is something I would have loved doing."

The former Sunday Scrantonian sports editor said one of his favorite stories he covered was when Scranton Central snapped Old Forge basketball's record winning streak. "I remember covering that game well," he said. "I remember the big headline."

He also covered the first basketball game ever played at the old Scranton Catholic Youth Center (CYC).

He remembers gathering with local reporters every year and going to a World Series game. But he remembers most the one he didn't attend. "Chic Feldman had a ticket for me October 8, 1956, but I decided not to go. Well, that was the day Don Larsen pitched a perfect game in the World Series for the Yankees. I believe Chic was there to see it, but I wasn't."

Valvano said the late Johnny Vander Meer, the only MLB pitcher to pitch two consecutive no-hitters, was one of his most famous interviews. He interviewed the former Cincinnati

Reds hurler at Monticello. "He was a nice guy and gave me a great interview."

He also interviewed Willie Mays and met Johnny Unitas at Pocono Downs. "I had a great 15-minute conversation with Unitas. He was a tremendous guy. He was busy at an event, but didn't want me to leave. He wanted to keep talking and telling stories."

He especially remembers Baltimore Orioles Hall of Fame gold glove third baseman Brooks Robinson who spoke at a baseball event at Dunmore's Schantz Stadium. "Brooks was actually in my Dunmore home. He was such a pleasant guy. What I remember most is parents coming in with their kids. Brooks politely excused himself and ran right up to the kids to talk and spend time with them. That made a big impression on everyone."

When Valvano suffered a brain aneurysm in June of 2015, he was transported to Hershey Medical Center. He spent nine days there. His daughter told him he better do some reading while he was there. Ironically, he picked up the book, "Johnny Vander Meer, Double No-Hitter."

That was eight years ago and today local sports journalism's number one Guy is still going strong at 95.

"I still love watching and reading about sports," he said. "I follow all of the local sports, especially Dunmore. I still have a lot of ideas and would love to write another book. I just need help due to my arthritis. I enjoy family gatherings and love being around my grandchildren."

Guy's granddaughter Tara Macciocco, Dunmore's all-time leading scorer with 2,211 career points, was a successful women's basketball coach at Marywood and Wilkes Universities. She is currently Director of Facilities at the Riverfront Sports Complex, Scranton, and teaches sports marketing at

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In 2024 the group will continue with "Ravenscroft" by Don Nigro, "Harvey" by Mary Chase, "The Case of the Missing Will" by Agatha Christie, adapted for the stage by Robert Spalletta, and "You Can't Take it With You" by George F. Kaufman.

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For more information visit www.actorscircle.com, or their Facebook page.

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Sandlot tryouts for 2024 will be hosted on Oct. 23, 26, and 27, at the University of Scranton. Ages 7 to 12u tryouts will be at 7 p.m. for the Spring Season (April-June), while ages 13-18U start at 8 p.m. for the Summer Season (May-August). All ages will begin practice in January. Cost is \$10. Confirm your attendance to CDD027@aol.com or 570-445-1155.

Takeout pasta dinner

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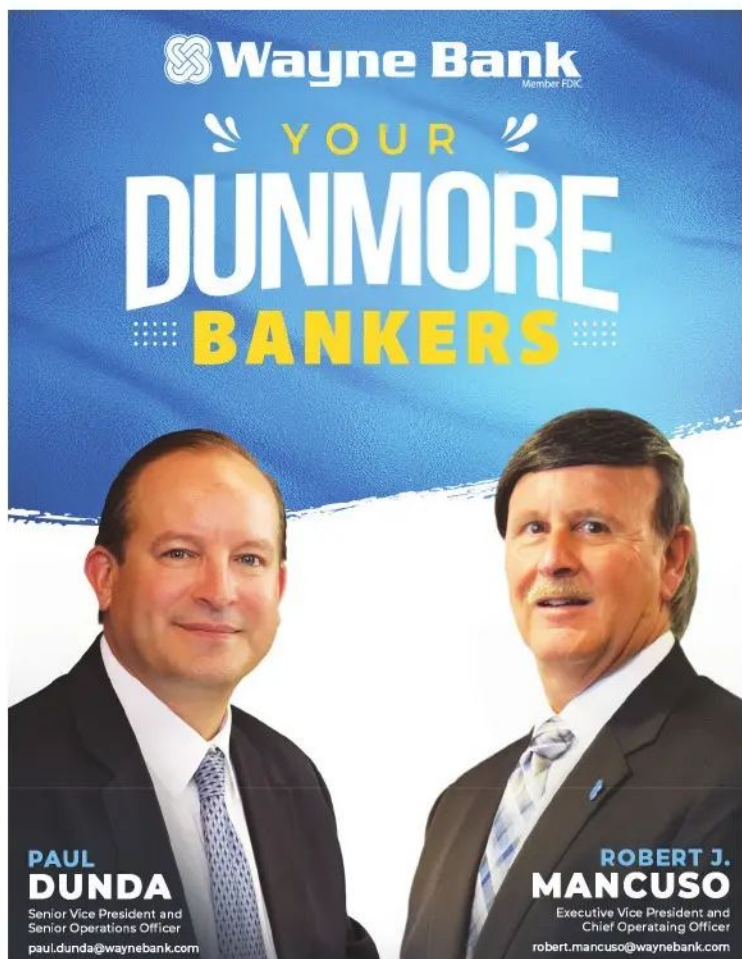
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Prior to the concert event, an open house art exhibit by Danielle Lehtinen will be held beginning at 3 p.m., then there will be a full concert performance by Julie Ziafras at 6 p.m., with food catered by The Gourmet Guys. Enjoy Greek libations, meze and a delicious Greek buffet.

The cost of attendance, which includes food, ranges from \$25 - \$199. Go online to choose your seat: VIP, Premier or attendee.

Also available for those who wish to stay overnight, there is a limited preselection of accommodation (up to two people per room). This makes a great gift for someone special, and includes continental breakfast. Visit Rossettiarts.org and select "A Greek Odyssey Concert." Call 570-909-8528 for more information.

A diverse repertoire will be presented by Julie Ziafras, a New York-born soprano of Greek descent, whose diverse repertoire ranges from Greek music to international folk ballads and opera.

Julie will be accompanied by Spiro Cardamis on the piano and bouzouki master Kostas Psarros. The program will span from the plaintive and poignant to the rhythmic and lively, including selections from rembetika, the classic Greek blues songs, as well as traditional folk tunes.

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by Max Conway

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Marywood University announced the public phase of its comprehensive campaign, *EMPOWER: The Campaign for Marywood* during an outdoor celebratory launch event in September.

The event, which featured the popular local band, The Chatter, kicked off the campaign as well as Marywood's Alumni and Family Weekend. Alumni, students and their families, faculty, staff, and members of the greater community attended the announcement and the celebration that followed.

EMPOWER is a multi-year effort to raise \$30 million with three priority areas: to create access to education through scholarships for students with financial need, to reimagine campus through the construction, renovation, and renewal of buildings and spaces to support growing programs and next-gen learning, and to enhance the student experience through annual and endowed philanthropic support. To date, Marywood has raised \$24 million from alumni, parents, and friends of the University during the quiet phase of the campaign.

During the event, Marywood University President Sister Mary Persico, IHM, Ed.D. introduced the official campaign video, and followed its presentation by stating, "Through the EMPOWER campaign, we are embarking on a journey that transcends the boundaries of our campus. The impact of this campaign will ripple far beyond these walls, reaching into the very heart of our local community and contributing to the development of the region." She continued, "By empowering our students, by fostering innovation and learning, we are sparking a chain reaction that will uplift our local communities, stimulate economic growth, grow the workforce, and inspire a brighter future for all."

Campaign co-chairs, Marywood Board of Trustees Chair Lisa Lori, Esq. and Marywood Trustee Robert Tamburro, followed Sister Mary, with Atty. Lori noting, "Marywood's commitment to education has always been steadfast, empowering students to believe in themselves and serve their communities...Together, we will create, reimagine, and enhance the future of Marywood University."



Marywood University recently announced the public phase of its comprehensive campaign, *EMPOWER: The Campaign for Marywood*, a multi-year effort aimed to raise \$30 million. To date, \$24 million has been raised from alumni, parents, and friends of the University during the quiet phase of the campaign. Pictured at the launch celebration, are from left: Lisa Lori, Esq., chair of Marywood's Board of Trustees and EMPOWER Campaign co-chair; Sister Mary Persico, IHM, Ed.D., Marywood University president; Renée Zehel, Ph.D., Vice President for University Advancement, and Robert Tamburro, Marywood Trustee and EMPOWER Campaign cochair.

NEPA horror Fest Oct. 14

Prepare for a night of terror and nostalgia as the NEPA Horror Fest announces a special reunion of iconic actors from the 2007 horror sensation, "Halloween" at the Circle Drive-In in Dickson City, on Saturday, Oct. 14.

Fans will have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to meet and greet the actors beginning at 1 p.m. at the concession stand. The event also will include screening of 13 short horror films curated from hundreds of submissions, beginning at 7:30. The event will also feature a special screening of "Halloween" (2007).

The NEPA Horror Fest opens up at noon with the Scranton Punk Rock Flea Market & Zinefest, an alternative art market with over 100 vendors from the local and tri-state area curated by local community organizer, Jess Meoni. The market showcases original art, patches, pins, stickers, fanzines, vintage clothing, vinyl records, cassettes, VHS tapes, ethically-sourced taxidermy, bone jewelry, retro toys, video games, horror film memorabilia, and more.

In addition, live local music for the day will include Pucker Up!, Winter Wolf, One Revived, Anticitizen, Hang in There, and Edgar Gorre and the Nevermores.

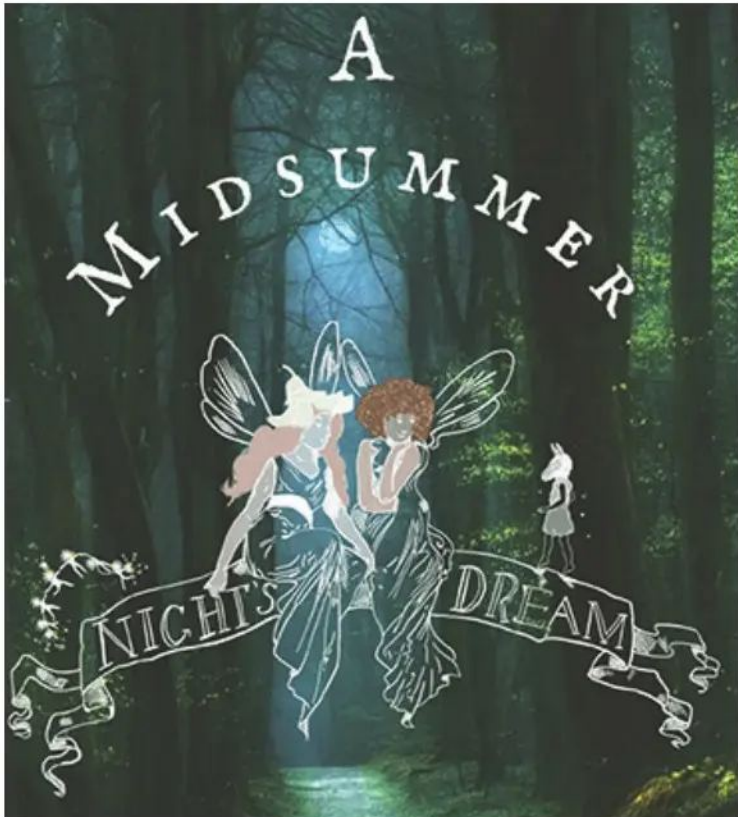
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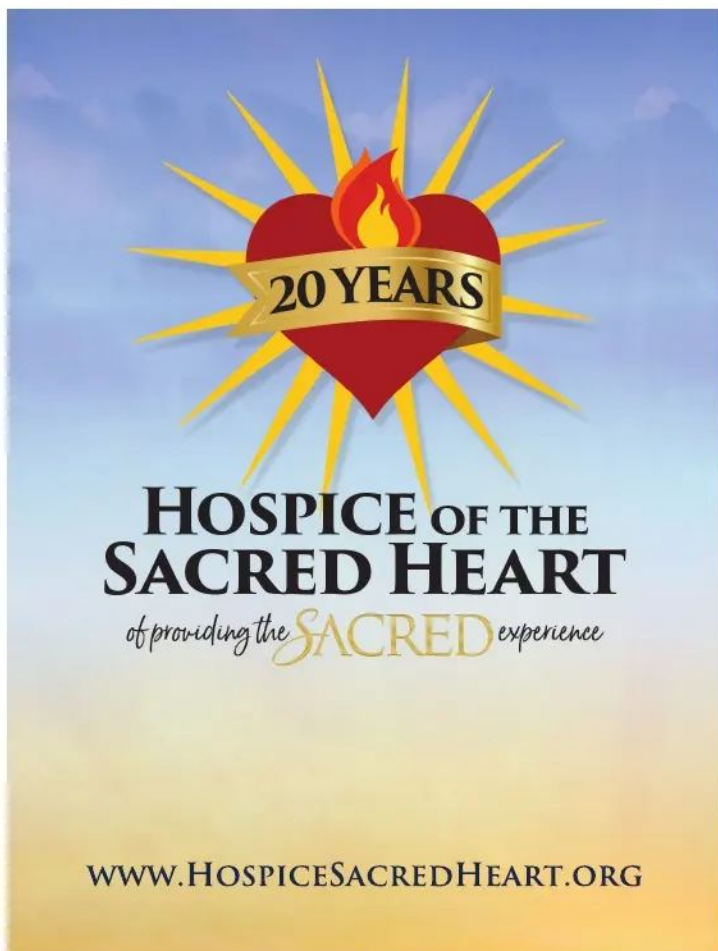
Marywood plans fall play

The Marywood University Music, Theatre, and Dance department will present *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by William Shakespeare as its major fall theatre production. Performances will run from Thursday, Oct. 5, through Sunday, Oct. 8.

Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. for performances taking place Thursday, Oct. 5, through Saturday, Oct. 7. On Sunday, Oct. 8, the show will be a matinee performance only, starting at 2 p.m. The show's cast consists of 18 Marywood students from various majors across campus and also includes original music composed by Marywood students.

Admission is \$10 for the general public, \$5 for non-Marywood students, and free for Marywood students, faculty, and staff, and IHM Sisters with a Marywood ID. These proceeds are used exclusively to support student performances.

Tickets can be purchased at the door (cash only) or in advance by credit card at: <https://marywood.universitytickets.com/>. For more information about Marywood University's Music, Theatre, and Dance department, visit marywood.edu/mtld.



Sacred Heart Hospice Remembrance Walk returns

Hundreds of walkers are expected to pause and remember their loved ones in a unique and special way at the Hospice of the Sacred Heart Remembrance Walk on Saturday, Oct. 7 at McDade Park for the first time since 2019.

The event did not take place in 2020, 2021, and 2022 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and the walk will kick off at 10. The Wright Center is the presenting sponsor.

The one-mile walk around scenic McDade Park is wheelchair accessible and pet-friendly. The \$30 registration fee includes lunch and a long-sleeve t-shirt with a customizable pin-on bib, so participants can walk in memory of a loved one.

Teams of five or more are \$20 each and children 12

and under are free. There will be a DJ, basket raffle, children's activities, a ceremonial bell ringing, and ice cream.

Proceeds from the walk will help support Hospice of the Sacred Heart programs and services.

The event will begin with an opening prayer by Msgr. Thomas M. Muldowney, Pastor, Saint Catherine of Siena Parish, Moscow. WNEP-TV anchor and reporter, Stacy Lange, will start the walk. Diane Baldi is Hospice of the Sacred Heart CEO.

Those wishing to participate individually or as a team can register online at www.HospiceSacredHeart.org, by calling 570-706-2400 or at McDade Park the day of the walk.

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BY CHERYL RADKIEWICZ

It's almost the end of the season for farmers' markets. As I was walking through this week, I noticed many empty stands and the remainder featuring plenty of vegetables such as acorn squash, butternut squash, potatoes, cauliflower, brussels sprouts, egg plant and sweet potatoes. Fall has arrived.

This month we're highlighting recipes for the fall harvest. Stock up while you can.

WINTER SQUASH SOUP

2 butternut squash, split, with seeds and stringy centers removed

2 Tbsp. olive oil
2 Tbsp. minced garlic
1 Tbsp. dried Italian herbs
Salt and pepper to taste
4-6 cups chicken stock
¼ cup dry vermouth

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Rub inside of squash with oil and garlic. Sprinkle with herbs, salt and pepper. Roast for 20-25 minutes or until cooked. Remove from oven and let cool. Remove flesh from shells and mash or puree. Place in stockpot, add chicken stock and bring to simmer. Add vermouth. Serve with hearty bread and butter. Makes 4-6 servings.

Use squash, eggplant, brussels sprouts for fall

STUFFED ACORN SQUASH

2 medium acorn squash, halved and seeded
2 cups onions, finely chopped
1 ½ cups cheddar cheese, shredded
2 Tbsp. butter
1 cup cooked rice
2 Tbsp. fresh parsley, minced

Spread cut sides of squash with 1 Tbsp. of the butter. Place squash, cut side down, in a 13x9x2" baking dish. Bake at 400 degrees for 30 minutes. Sauté onions in remaining butter until tender. Combine onions with rice, 1 cup of the cheese and parsley. Turn squash, cut side up. Fill each with onion mixture. Sprinkle with remaining cheese. Bake another 30 minutes at 350 degrees. Serves 4.

BRUSSELS SPROUTS WITH RAISIN SAUCE

1 lb. Brussels sprouts
1 Tbsp. butter
1 Tbsp. flour
1 ½ cups chicken stock
¼ cup raisins
Slivered almonds

Steam Brussels sprouts until tender. Melt butter; blend in flour. Add stock slowly, cooking and stirring until smooth. Add raisins

and simmer about 8 minutes. Pour sauce over sprouts and top with slivered almonds just before serving. Makes 4 servings.

EASY EGGPLANT

1 medium eggplant (approximately 1 lb.)
1 cup Parmesan cheese
½ cup bread crumbs
1/3 to 1/2 cup Italian salad dressing

Cut eggplant into ¾" slices. Soak in cold water for 10 minutes; drain and blot dry on paper towel. Combine cheese and bread crumbs. Dip eggplant slices in salad dressing, then crumb mixture, both sides lightly. Arrange slices in single layer on greased baking sheet. Broil 2" from heat or flame for 7-10 minutes, or until lightly brown. Turn slices over and broil 5 more minutes or until lightly brown. Serve immediately. Makes 4-6 servings.

CANDIED SWEET POTATOES

½ cup butter
½ cup brown sugar
1/3 cup brandy or orange juice
½ tsp. salt
3 sweet potatoes or yams

Peel and chunk sweet potatoes. Boil just until tender. Drain well. Melt butter and add other ingredients in frying pan. Add potatoes. Stir over low heat just until potatoes are well glazed.

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BUTTERNUT SQUASH TEA MUFFINS

2 cups all-purpose flour
1 cup whole wheat flour
2 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. salt
½ tsp. nutmeg
¼ tsp. allspice
2 tsp. cinnamon
Grated rind of 1 orange
3 eggs
1 cup oil
1 ¾ cups packed brown sugar
2 tsp. vanilla extract
2 ½ cups shredded butternut squash
½ cup chopped walnuts

Combine flours, baking soda, baking powder, salt, spices and orange rind in bowl; mix well. Beat eggs, oil, brown sugar and vanilla in mixer bowl until blended. Stir in squash and walnuts. Stir in flour mixture just until moistened. Spoon into greased muffin cups. Bake in preheated 375 degree oven for 20-25 minutes or until muffins test done. Makes 24.

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Youth Performing Arts event

Electric City Rocks will present an evening of an electrifying performance on Saturday, Oct. 7, all in the name of championing youth in the performing arts in Northeastern PA. The event will be held from 7 to 10.

Tickets are available at <https://www.universe.com/ecrocks>. Radio Flashback, a standout tribute band from the East Coast, will play classic 70's & 80's hits. Food and drinks will be available for purchase.

To win a custom Michael Kelly Guitar, exclusively designed by Steve Pisani, you can buy a raffle ticket now at: <https://givebutter.com/ECROCKS>. Your presence isn't mandatory to win.

Christmas Vacation screening hosted by Chevy Chase

Legendary comedian Chevy Chase is coming to the F.M. Kirby Center for the Performing Arts on Sunday, Dec. 17, with a screening of the holiday classic *National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation*, followed by an in-person Q&A.

Ticket Prices are \$40.00, \$66.00, and \$100.00 plus fees. VIP Packages are \$150 and \$250 plus fees and include premium seat and a post-show photo op with Chevy following the Q&A.

Tickets are on sale at [ticketmaster.com](https://www.ticketmaster.com) and [kirbycenter.org](https://www.kirbycenter.org). Tickets can also be purchased in person at the Kirby Center box office or by calling 570-826-1100.

Justin Willman Magic for Humans

The Scranton Cultural Center at the Masonic Temple will present the Justin Willman Magic for Humans In Person Tour on Nov. 30 at 7:30 PM in its Harry & Jeanette Weinberg Theatre. Willman is a magician and a comedian known for his hit Netflix series "Magic for Humans." Willman also served as a host for "Baking Impossible," "Cupcake Wars" and "Win, Lose or Draw."

Tickets range from \$45.15 - \$58.30 with a VIP Package available. Prices are subject to change. Doors will open at 7 p.m. and a cash bar and concessions will be available. Tickets are available for purchase at the Fidelity Bank Box Office at the SC 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](https://www.sccmt.org)



Members of the Dunmore Class of 1976 held a 47th year reunion this past summer at Waldorf Tiki Bar in East Mountain.

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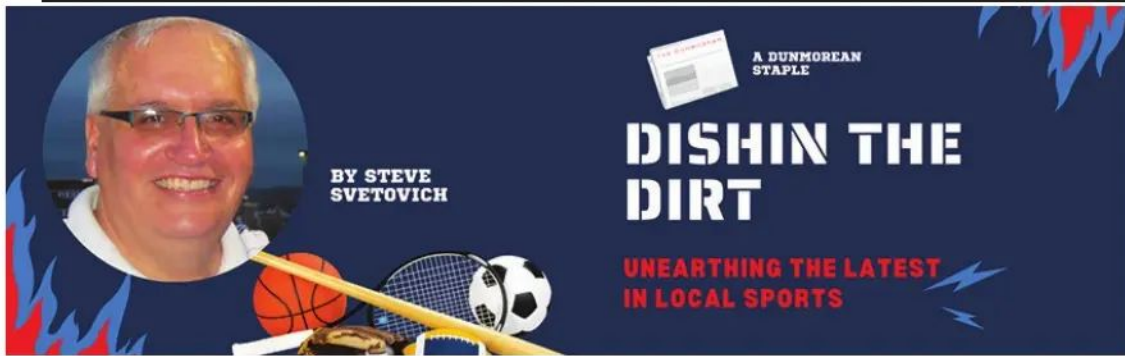
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Condolences to family of Pennsylvania's former First Lady **Ellen Casey**, Green Ridge, who died this past August at 91...Her husband, the former **Gov. Robert P. Casey**, died in 2000...Do you remember **Daiqwon Buckley** eclipsing 4,000 career rushing yards and scoring four touchdowns in Dunmore's 48-7 win over GAR 10 years ago?...Condolences to family of Jersey Shore football player **Max Engle** who died one week after collapsing on football field in his team's game against Selinsgrove last month...

Do you remember when **John Barone** shot 3-under par on front nine at Scranton Muni in Dunmore's 9-0 golf win over Old Forge 10 years ago?...**Tommy Clark** scored two goals to become Dunmore's all-time goals leader in Bucks 7-1 win over West Scranton in Lackawanna League Division II boys soccer match last month... At Scott Greens, **Nic Borgia** shot 3-over with a birdie on the No. 4

and teamed with **Adam Badyrka** to sweep three points in the first group to lead Holy Cross to 5-4 golf win over Old Forge last month...Condolences to families of **Virginia Paoloni** and **Edward Mazaleski** who tragically passed away as result of downpour and flooding on Shady Lane Road in Clarks Summit last month...

A happy retirement to long time Times-Tribune sports reporter/columnist **Marty Myers** who took buyout after Times-Shamrock Communications sold its newspaper group, including The Times-Tribune, to publishing giant MediaNews Group last month... Myers, a class act and wealth of knowledge on local sports, will be missed...

MLB world mourning passing of 1970 World Series hero and Hall of Fame 16-time gold glove third baseman **Brooks Robinson** at 86 last month...Robinson, one of classiest MLB players ever, played entire 23-year career with Baltimore

Orioles and was known as "The Human Vacuum Cleaner," for his defensive ability...Perhaps the greatest defensive third baseman ever, he added 2,848 hits, 268 homers and 1,357 RBIs on the offensive end...

Dunmore's **Guy Valvano**, 95, former sports editor of the Sunday Scrantonian, remembers the late Robinson coming to Dunmore to speak at an event in 1979 and willingly taking time to meet youth and sign autographs for them in the neighborhood...Valvano called Robinson the classiest and nicest celebrity athlete he ever met...

Congratulations to **Gary and Lynne Duncan**, Dunmore, who are beaming following birth of their first grandchild **Georgia Rose** last month...The couple's daughter **Anne** and son-in-law **Doug** are the proud parents...

Scranton Prep's **Liam Barrett** had 33-yard touchdown run and returned punt 77 yards for a score

in win over Lake Lehman...At Penn State Scranton, **Ava Ferraro** and **Krithika Krishnan** posted singles tennis victories to lift Dunmore to 3-2 win over Mid Valley last month...**Adam Badyrka** struck for an unassisted marker with 12 minutes left to snap tie and lift Holy Cross to 3-2 soccer win over Lakeland last month...Congratulations to St. Louis Cardinals hurler **Adam Wainwright**, 42, who pitched seven shutout innings in final start of his career to win 200th game against Milwaukee Brewers last month...Waino spent entire MLB career with Cardinals and finished with 200-128 career record...

Detroit Tigers legend **Miguel Cabrera**, 40, tied **Hank Aaron** on all-time doubles list with No. 624 and **Mel Ott** on all-time homers list with No. 511 in final week of his MLB career...Miggy will finish with over 3,000 hits, over 500 homers, over 600 doubles and .307 career batting average...Cleveland Guardians manager **Terry "Tito" Francona** stepping down at end of season with well over 1,900 wins placing him 13th on all-time list...Tito led Boston Red Sox to two World Series titles, breaking 86-year-old "curse," and led Cleveland to World Series in 7-game loss to Cubs, ironically breaking Cubbies 108-year-old "curse"...

Abbey Earley had 16 points, seven kills and five aces and **Tristan Canavan** had 15 kills

to lead Dunmore to 3-0 win over Elk Lake in girls volleyball last month...

Holy Cross Crusaders football coach **Joe Giorgio** making good on promise his team would show improvement with 3-2 record at press time...Congratulations to Holy Cross sophomore running back **Aiden Wudarski** who has two games with 220 or more yards rushing in his team's first five games this season...His twin brother **Leland Wudarski**, who blocks for him from fullback position, had 12 tackles, including three for losses, and added two sacks and fumble recovery from his middle linebacker position in Holy Cross 7-6 win over Montrose...

Holy Cross and University of Scranton baseball product **Anthony Duchnowski** batted .571 for Lavelle Insurance in Wyoming Valley Baseball League this past summer...

Dunmore seniors **Domenic DeSando** and **Danny Pigga** having excellent seasons for Bucks football team...Music legend **Bruce Springsteen** postponing concerts for rest of year due to peptic ulcer disease and doctor's advice...This could be end of Springsteen's legendary three hour plus concerts also based on doctor's advice...How about **Damian Lillard** joining forces with The Greek Freak and Khris Middleton on Milwaukee Bucks...Do you remember **Mike Harrington**?...Whatever became of **Boots Day**...



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Co-Athlete Aiden Wudarski's running helps Holy Cross off to a strong start

By Steve Svetovich

Potent is the word to describe the Holy Cross Crusaders running game this season.

And with his twin brother Leland blocking from the fullback position, sophomore Aiden Wudarski has two games with over 200 yards rushing leading the much improved and surprising Holy Cross Crusaders to three wins in the team's first five games under coach Joe Giorgio.

Aiden rushed for 230 yards and two touchdowns on 22 carries in the team's first win, 28-12, over Holy Redeemer, Saturday, Sept. 2. He scrambled for 220 yards and three long touchdowns on 28 carries in the Crusaders third win of the season, 29-28, over Columbia-Montour Vo-Tech, Saturday, Sept. 23.

The sophomore standout scored on runs of 58, 62 and 64 yards in the win over Columbia-Montour Vo-Tech.

His third touchdown of the contest, a 64-yard scamper with 5:26 left in the fourth quarter, and Conor Farrell's extra point kick gave Holy Cross the lead for good at 29-20. "It was all the linemen," said Aiden.

"They were great blocking. I was able to read the holes nicely and the pitch was working. The linemen just paved the way for us.

"Every time they got closer, we just kept our heads high. We got on offense and just took it down the field for a TD.

"This is huge. No one expected us to go positive this year. But we are 3-2 and that's all that matters.

"We have the three wins in the first five games. We just took it game by game and played hard. "It

just happened."

Son of Jennifer and Harley Wudarski, Aiden totaled 620 yards rushing and six touchdowns in the team's first five games this season. He is averaging around eight yards per carry.

The explosive halfback talked about the success of his team thus far. "We play as a team," he said. "We have a heart for this game. When it is bad, we pull ourselves together. We play as a unit. We are a team.

"Coach Giorgio teaches us to keep our heads up. He tells me vision is the key. He's taught me and the team a lot."

The quick sophomore said his parents teach him a lot. "They tell me to commit to anything I decide to do. And never quit."

Aiden is a member of the TRUE Club and History Club at Holy

Cross. He played basketball as a freshman and runs the 100 and 200 meter on the track and field team.

The sophomore stalwart played cornerback on defense last season. This year he is an outside linebacker. "It's different," he said. "I like it. It's more physical."

The scholar-athlete has a 3.6 academic grade point average. His best subject is English.

His personal goal is a 1,000-yard rushing season while maintaining a high academic grade point average.

He talked about what it takes to excel at the running back position in high school football.

"You need lots of strong vision and speed."

With two games of over 200 yards rushing in his pocket, Aiden is feeling pretty good. "It feels great," he said. "I'm grateful for it. It does not happen very often. I give a lot of credit to my brother and the offensive line for the great blocking."

Well-spoken and enthusiastic, Aiden said he likes listening to music in his spare time. He would like to see Drake and Travis Scott in concert.

Aiden, who played wide receiver last season, said he is not sure about his college choice, but wants to continue playing football. "Playing college football is in my future plans," he said. "But I have no clue where yet."

Hard-working and articulate, he is enjoying his time at Holy Cross.

"It's very good for academics," he said. "School is great. I've made a lot of friends. We are getting this football team going. We are going to do what is needed to get to the top.

"We want to play our hearts out and finish positive.

"We will never give up. We'll never quit."



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Leland Wudarski blocks for his brother and leads Holy Cross Crusader's defense

By Steve Svetovich

Holy Cross sophomore Leland Wudarski has a significant dual role for the much improved Holy Cross Crusaders football team.

He serves as the fullback and leading blocker for his stalwart twin brother Aiden Wudarski, the tailback on offense, and is the team's defensive leader at his middle linebacker position.

Leland helped lead Holy Cross to three wins in its first five games with his potent blocking at the fullback position and all-out defensive play at the middle linebacker position.

He is the team's leading tackler on defense and helped his brother rush for over 200 yards twice in the first five games.

In the Crusaders 7-6 win over Montrose, Friday Sept. 15, Leland put together a game for the ages from his middle linebacker position with 12 total tackles, including three for losses, two sacks and one fumble recovery.

He also played his heart out in the Crusaders 29-28 win over Columbia-Montour Vo-Tech Saturday, Sept. 23. He paved the way with several key blocks for his brother who rushed for 220 yards and three long touchdowns on 28 carries.

He was also outstanding again defensively making several key tackles and stops from his middle linebacker position.

With just 36 seconds left in the game, Leland took a hard hit on the helmet and ended up in a local hospital where he was treated and released. Thankfully, he did not suffer a concussion.

His brother's touchdowns came from 58, 62 and 64 yards out with Leland's lead blocking and the tough Holy Cross offensive line

leading the way.

The hard-working sophomore talked about what it takes to excel as a middle linebacker in high school football.

"It's all about your mindset," he said. "You need to have the right mindset and want to make all the plays."

Leland said he is learning a lot from Holy Cross head football coach Joe Giorgio.

"He tells me where to make the cuts and blocks. He is teaching me a lot."

Son of Jennifer and Harley Wudarski, the 5-10, 180-pound middle linebacker-fullback said he learned a lot from his parents. "They teach me to be disciplined all the time and to do well in class."

Leland said he enjoys blocking for his brother Aiden at the fullback position. "I like to be up front blocking, so he can do his thing. It's a good thing we have going together. We trust each other."

"We've trusted each other our whole lives. It's something we've been doing for years. We have chemistry."

The talented sophomore is also a member of the Holy Cross track and field team where he throws the shot put and discus. He plans on running the 100 and throwing the javelin this year.

He also plans on joining the TRUE Club and History Club at Holy Cross.

Leland enjoys listening to music in his spare time and would like to see Drake, Travis Scott and country singer Luke Combs in concert.

The scholar-athlete said he is not sure what he will study, but wants to continue playing football in college.

"I definitely want to play college

football."

The tough-minded sophomore standout talked about the team's success in the first half of the season.

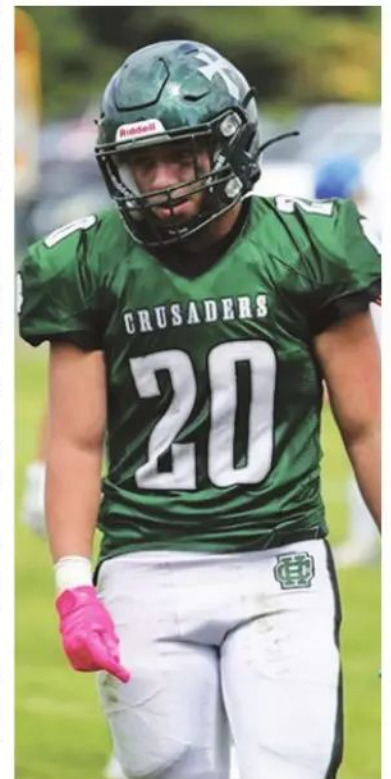
"The line has been really good. We are making the right blocks. I give our line a lot of credit. We have learned a lot and come together really well as a team."

Leland has set a few personal and team goals.

"I want to be a defensive all-star this season," he said.

"I want to be All Region at my defensive position. I also want to help this team continue to improve and win as many games as possible."

"Right now I am just playing. I'm playing football as hard as I can. This team is really coming together."





THE *Hart*
OF THE ISSUE

CONTINUING THE LEGACY:
BEAR WITH ME FOLKS

BY: JOHN M. HART, III, ESQ.

My father was a man of substance, an emblem of hard work and perseverance, whose story resonates with many.

As a young boy, he had shared with me tales of my grandfather's aspirations for him to pursue law, a secure and prestigious profession. However, following his heart, my father delved into the realm of journalism and later transitioned into a small business owner, a path laden with challenges yet imbued with gratification.

His endeavor as a publisher was something he cherished deeply. Despite the trials inherent in maintaining a flourishing circulation through the painstaking task of attracting advertisers, my father found joy in his profession.

He often delineated the intricacies and the daunting task of selling—a notion well understood by those in the realm of advertis-

ing. In his view, selling was an art, an excursion often bereft of the flashy allure that a character like Don Draper from *Mad Men* encapsulated. However, the reality of modern-day advertising is far removed from the glamour portrayed in fictional dramas.

His perception of the challenging yet rewarding life of a publisher led him to aspire for a different professional path for me. Much like his father, he envisioned a career in law for me—a path seemingly less thorny.

In adhering to his advice, I embarked on a journey into the legal domain, which some may jest was fueled by my knack for debating, while others saw a potential for advocacy and aid.

As I matured and delved deeper into my profession, the reassuring notion of my father's pride in my accomplishments was a source of

relentless motivation. His friends, post his demise, reiterated his pride, expressing how fondly he spoke of my little triumphs, even in my absence. As a father of two, I now understand fully the profound joy that beams from a father's pride.

My father had always veered me away from the challenging life of journalism and publishing, but life has a peculiar way of orchestrating events.

Today, as I stand at the helm of my father's longstanding local paper, I feel an unspoken duty to continue his legacy. This endeavor, unexpected yet heartwarmingly familiar, beckons me to carry forward my father's dream, his community service through the lens of a local publisher.

Working alongside my stepmom, Maureen, the diligent chief editor, and the rest of the crew that keeps this paper lively, I am eager to

keep the wheels of this local paper turning, impacting our community as my father did for over three decades. It's an expedition I am embarking upon with reverence for the past and hope for the future. I am new to this realm, stepping into colossal shoes, and as I gingerly tread this path, I request the patience and support of our readers.

The journey ahead is long, but

with a legacy to honor and a community to serve, the essence of my father's spirit will undoubtedly be the guiding light. I vow to keep this paper relevant, local and even give it a new look while maintaining its beloved internal charm. Together, we will continue to share stories that matter, keeping the pulse of our community beating through the pages of the Dunmorean.

Dunmorean of Month: Guy Valvano

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Keystone College.

"She really loves teaching at Keystone," Valvano said. "And she enjoys working at Riverfront."

Guy mentioned his thoughts on Times-Shamrock Communications selling its newspaper group, including The Times-Tribune, to publishing giant MediaNews Group last month.

"I think it's going to affect the sports department there," he said. "I know a few people took the buyout, including Marty Myers who was tremendous there. Losing Marty is a big loss. And I understand another sports reporter left. I hope Joby Fawcett stays there. He does a lot for them. I just wonder how things will change there now. I have a feeling the newspaper might go more digital. We will see."

Dunmore's legendary sports journalist said he would not have done it any other way in his life. "I have no regrets," he said. "I loved my job. I worked around wonderful people. I didn't care for working at night, but loved what I was doing. I loved reading about sports too. I've had a completely full journalistic life through both my work at the Scranton Tribune and even Lackawanna Junior College. And I enjoyed writing all the books."

"You know, when I was in about the fourth grade I would pick up the newspaper and read the sports section inside and out. I enjoyed reading 'Dishin' Dirt. I just loved that column."

"I just took a liking to newspaper work. I used to draw up pages of the newspaper as a kid. I just loved it."

"I didn't know if I would ever get a shot at it. But I did. And it all turned out great for me."



FNCB Bank presents a \$10,000 Education Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) donation to the Howard Gardner MI Charter School in support of its Environmental, Agricultural and STEAM programs. Since 2010, FNCB has contributed \$3,000,000 to local educational and scholarship organizations through the EITC initiative. Shown from left: Joe Ross, CEO, Howard Gardner MI Charter School; Stephanie Abraham, FNCB Bank Assistant Vice President, Commercial Officer; Stephanie Westington, FNCB Bank Senior Vice President, Controller; TreeAnne McEnery, Principal, Howard Gardner MI Charter School, and John Marsico, Business Manager, Howard Gardner MI Charter School.



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Representatives from the Greater Scranton Chapter of the Penn State Alumni Association recently presented Allied Services with a \$1,000 donation towards the health system's endeavors for continued staff education and development. The Greater Scranton Chapter is the largest Penn State alumni organization in Northeast Pennsylvania, representing alumni and friends from all 24 Penn State University campuses who reside in Lackawanna and Wyoming counties. Shown from left: Mike Rescigno, past president, Greater Scranton Chapter Penn State Alumni Association; Jeff Mallas, current president; Carmella Fox, Allied assistant vice president Human Resources/Employee Engagement Officer, and Jim Brogna, Allied vice president Strategic Partnership.

Jasper Johns exhibit at Marywood

The Marywood Art Department is hosting "The Maslow Study Gallery Featuring Jasper Johns & Robert Rauschenberg," an exhibit running until Oct. 28, in conjunction with "The Russell Collection" in Mahady Gallery and "The Stories We Tell Ourselves: Stephen Garrison" in Suraci Gallery. This event will be held in the Maslow Study Gallery for Contemporary Art in the Shields Center for Visual Arts at Marywood University. The reception and exhibit are free and open to the public.

This exhibition features 10 important works by Jasper Johns (b. 1930) and Robert Rauschenberg (1925-2008) from The Maslow Collection. In showcasing two giants of 20th and 21st century American Art, the exhibition offers an examination of the artists' fluid use of imagery, language, technique, scale, and material. Gallery hours for The Maslow Study Gallery are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information on The Maslow Study gallery, go to: marywood.edu/community/galleries/maslow-study-gallery-for-contemporary-art.

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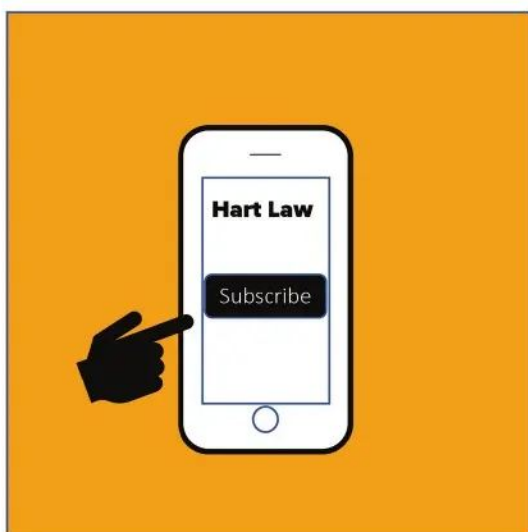
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At a time when many are facing unprecedented financial challenges, these lessons are invaluable. The Banzai resources are available at penneast.teachbanzai.com.

Penn East FCU is working with Banzai to build financial literacy in the community by investing time, money, industry experience, and a variety of credit union resources.

Beyond the Banzai library, Penn East FCU also offers virtual or in-classroom presentations from local experts on timely topics.

Banzai resources are used by over

100,000 teachers across the U.S. The courses align with Pennsylvania's state curriculum requirements, making the program a fun way for students to gain vital financial literacy skills.

Teachers interested in using the Banzai program with their class can visit penneast.teachbanzai.com or call 888-8-BANZAI.

Climate change event to be hosted at Marywood

Marywood University's celebration of Campus Sustainability Month in October will feature a special event, "Climate Change: Global Awareness and Local Action," on Thursday, Oct. 19, at 6:30 p.m., Upper Main, Nazareth Student Center.

The event, which is free and open to the public, will feature Patricia M. DeMarco, Ph.D., an expert in energy and environmental policy.

It is being sponsored by Marywood's Environmental Studies program, Environmental Club, Sustainability Committee, the Office of Institutional Equity and Inclusion, and the Center for the Living City.



Congratulations to head coach Tom Clark of the Dunmore High School soccer team. Coach Clark hit his 50th win earlier this week, just halfway through his fourth season at the helm for the Bucks. (credit: Dunmore Athletics on Facebook)

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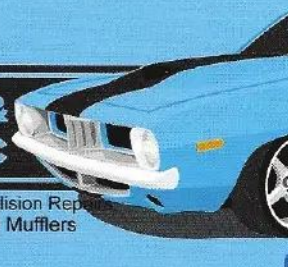
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