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Administrator's or
Executor's Notice

Letters of Testamentary on the Estate of Mary Lynn Hahn aka Mary Lynn Larsen - Hahn aka Lynn Hahn aka M. Lynn Hahn, Late of Indiana Borough, Indiana County, Pennsylvania, deceased, having been granted the undersigned, those having claims against said estate are requested to present them duly authenticated for settlement, and those knowing themselves to be indebted are requested to make prompt payment, to those having claims against the same, to present them without delay to the undersigned, duly authenticated, for settlement.
EXECUTOR
Tracee Denlinger
124 Miller Avenue
Homer City, PA 15748
12/4, 12/11, 12/18

Sunshine Notices

NOTICE
West Wheatfield Township

The West Wheatfield Township holds their Regular Meetings at the Township Building the Second Monday of Every Month at 7:00 PM.
The Re-organizational Meeting will be held the First Monday in January at 6:00 PM,prior to January's Regular Meeting on Monday January 5, 2026.
Monday, January 5th 2026
Re-organizational & Regular Meeting
Monday February 9, 2026
Monday March 9, 2026
Monday April 13, 2026
Monday May 11, 2026
Monday June 8, 2026
Monday July 13, 2026
Monday August 10, 2026
Monday September 14, 2026
Monday October 12, 2026
Monday November 9, 2026
Monday December 14, 2026
Tammie Shetler
West Wheatfield Township Secretary/Treasurer

ASTROGRAPH

Your Birthday

FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 19, 2025

By Eugenia Last

Take your time, look at every angle and determine which journey is in your best interest. Take the lead and secure your position. Options are plentiful this year. Linger, ponder and choose each move carefully. Know what you want and dismiss temptation that deviates you from your goal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Take the long route if it will help you perfect what you want to achieve. Time is on your side, making the journey worthwhile. Trust your ability to handle matters your way.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Put your energy where it counts, and you will make headway. Going into a new year with a positive attitude and a plan in place will give you something to celebrate this festive season.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — A change will do you good. Visit a place that evokes fond memories, and consider how you can apply that feeling to strengthen relationships with the people you love.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Pursuing a change of scenery or participating in events with those who love and protect you will give you the time you need to rejuvenate and rethink how you want to move forward. Choose stability and consistency.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — An open mind and heart will help you fulfill your aspirations. Communication followed by action will lead to a realization that enables you to adopt lifestyle changes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

— Refuse to let what others choose to do confuse you. Pick the lane that sparks your imagination and offers a crystal-clear message, guiding you in the most compatible direction.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Push forward with strength and courage. It's how you promote yourself with charm and eloquence that will get people on board with your plans. Trust your instincts.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Take advantage of an opportunity to communicate with people who can help you advance. Innovative input, combined with dedication and a disciplined approach to authenticity and staying up to date, will pay off.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Learn from experience and prepare to use work-related functions to make headway in your chosen field. Offer people intriguing information, and you'll make an impression that pays off.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Bypass situations that you cannot change. Distance yourself from drama and people with big egos trying to outmaneuver everyone they encounter. It's up to you to choose positive alternatives.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Exaggeration will lead to trouble. Communication can make or break a relationship. Don't make promises unless you plan to follow through immediately. Your best bet is to be fun, kind and informative.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Get on the fast train, adjust on the fly and learn as you go. Look at the big picture and your long-term plans, and associate with people who can offer valuable introductions.

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BRIDGE

North

12-18-25

♠ 7 3
♥ 8 4
♦ A K J 7 6 5 4
♣ 5 4

West

♠ J 10 9 8 4
♥ K 7 2
♦ Q 9 8
♣ Q 10

East

♠ Q 6 5
♥ Q 9 6 5 3
♦ 10
♣ K J 9 8

South

♠ A K 2
♥ A J 10
♦ 3 2
♣ A 7 6 3 2

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Both

South

West

North

East

1 NT

Pass

3 NT

All pass

Opening lead: ♠ J

THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 18, 2025

By Phillip Alder

THE SECRETS ARE
REVEALED ONCE MORE

Classic bridge books are usually republished, some several times. One such book that has reappeared was first printed in 1969. It is "The Secrets of Winning Bridge" by Jeff Rubens (Bridge World Books).
The book gives advice on hand evaluation in various situations, then considers the forms of the game: rubber bridge, Chicago, pairs and teams, and ways to be more successful in them, almost regardless of the bidding system being employed.
This deal highlights different declarer-play approaches. Look at just the North and South hands. How would you plan the play in three no-trump if you care only about winning nine tricks, or you would like to maximize the overtricks?
Note North's three-no-trump response. With a probable seven winners, no singleton or void or thought of slam, it is right to go straight for the nine-trick game.
If nine tricks are sufficient, South should win the first trick, lead a low diamond, and, when West follows, play low from the board. This is necessary if diamonds are 4-0.
However, in a pairs event, where overtricks can be valuable, it is wrong to play for this 5 percent possibility. Instead, South should lead a diamond to dummy's jack.
Here, when the finesse wins, declarer should take a heart finesse. It is highly unlikely that West has both heart honors, given his spade lead. And then South is in a position to take 12 tricks: two spades, two hearts, seven diamonds and one club. But even if the diamond finesse loses, the contract is still safe with at least one overtrick.

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CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“ K L ’ N J W I X H V W O X N Y / W H C

R K L R I X H V X Y Y M X R L . . . N W H Y W

R O W Z N X N R T J X H V Y T Y T M H . ”

— U T K H S . R T T Y N / K W A L H V X O O L N E X L

Previous Solution: “Put on your yarmulke ... to celebrate Hanukkah! Instead one day of presents, we have eight crazy nights.” — Adam Sandler

TODAY'S CLUE: *equals F*

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		5		1		6		7
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		4		7		1		
	6			2	9			
2		8		3		5		
				4			8	2
	5		1	8			6	

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

3	1	2	8	5	6	7	9	4
4	6	7	1	3	9	2	8	5
9	5	8	7	4	2	6	3	1
8	9	4	3	7	1	5	2	6
5	3	1	2	6	8	9	4	7
2	7	6	5	9	4	8	1	3
6	4	3	9	8	5	1	7	2
1	8	5	4	2	7	3	6	9
7	2	9	6	1	3	4	5	8

HOW TO PLAY:

Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

Real Estate Transfers

Lawrence E. Calvetti and Lisa Thompson to Carol Ann Craig, White Township, \$190,000
Shenggao Han and Xianwen Qiaoo to Philip Huey and Marsha Huey, Banks Township, \$240,000
William T. Shulick EST aka William Theodore Shulick EST aka William Shulick EST aka Bill Shulick EST to Sassafras Spaces LLC, Blairsville Borough 3rd Ward, \$110,000
Wayne F. Buterbaugh and Darlene G. Buterbaugh to Daniel Smith, Creekside Borough, \$105,000
Beth J. Webb to Beth J. Webb and Brian D. Mock, White Township, \$186,998
Cynthia L. Nagy to Terry Lee Glessner and Carrie Mae Glessner, Buffington Township, \$18,250
Andrew Pudliner and Megan Pudliner to Neil Thomas Lloyd and Kelly Kay Gajewski, East Wheatfield Township, \$199,900
Zachary T. Fletcher and Molly F. Fletcher to Lawrence O. Alexander and Beth Ann Alexander, West Wheatfield Township, \$340,000
Samantha Lynne Maschak aka Samantha Lynne Sbardella and Michael Sbardella to Cynthia L. Nagy, East Wheatfield Township, \$160,100
Joseph Alan Evanick and Ganga Ranasuriya to Autumn Johnson, Indiana Borough 2nd Ward, \$107,500
Samuel L. Kimmel Revocable Living Trust by TR to Infinity Natural Resources LLC, Armstrong Township, \$1,100,000
Robert W. Henry and Wendy A. Henry to Charles George Davies, Brushvalley Township, \$15,000
Mark Allan Stephenson and Gregory W. Stephenson to John Berko Jr., Gregory Berko and Irene Stefanchin, West Mahoning Township, \$1.00
Thomas Douglass and Tari Douglass to Jonathan R. Clayton, East Wheatfield Township, \$232,000
Linda Sue Gwinn to Linda Gwinn Family Trust by TR, Blairsville Borough 3rd Ward, \$1.00

Sunshine Notices

NOTICE
Buffington Township Supervisors will hold an end of year meeting on December 29th at 6:00 PM to finish business for the year 2025 and to discuss auditors. They will also hold their reorganization meeting and regular monthly meeting for 2026 on January 5th at 7:00 PM. Both meetings will be held at the Buffington Township Municipal Building.

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Answer to Previous Puzzle

S	A	C		R	A	M		C	R	O	C	
I	V	Y		F	O	R	E		L	E	N	O
L	E	A		E	M	M	A		A	Q	U	A
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E	W	E	S		D	E	S		D	I	N	

ACROSS

1 “To each — own”
4 — Grande
7 Large amounts
11 Paved way (Abbr.)
12 “— Lisa”
13 Land measure
14 Male sheep
15 “That hurts!”
16 Flightless bird
17 Works bread dough
19 Optimistic
21 Soak
23 Arduous
24 Measuring device
26 First (Abbr.)
28 Time here on Earth
29 Cairo’s river
31 Advantage
35 Cruise stop
37 Estrangement
39 Long time
40 Warmth

42 Speaks harshly
44 Central part
46 Supply with gear
48 “— & Kumar Go to White Castle”
50 Incalculable
53 Two-toed sloth
54 Composer — Satie
56 Seaman
57 Saucer-shaped bell
58 Oodles
59 “— Got a Secret”
60 Name in Genesis
61 “— Miserables”
62 Corvine cry

DOWN

1 “Listen!”
2 Infamous czar
3 Academic period
4 Wake up
5 Abbr. in commerce

6 Diamond Head’s island
7 Trash
8 Earthy pigment
9 Cover with crumbs
10 Chair
12 Up-to-date
18 Had food and drink
20 — Beta Kappa
22 Well-mannered
24 Chart
25 Sense of self
27 Game official, for short
30 Lyricist — Gershwin
32 Tyrannical
33 Abbr. in politics
34 Print measures
36 — thick and thin
38 Swimming wear
41 Moray
43 Little island
44 Simple boat
45 Praying figure
47 Resigns
48 Embraces
49 Valley
51 Etna’s output
52 Made a sketch
55 Caviar


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