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TOTAL DISCOUNT: $16,447

MSRP: $82,225
MOYER DISCOUNT: $8,162
REBATE: $8,285
SALE PRICE: $65,778*

UP TO 12,750 LBS TOWING CAPACITY^^

WRAP UP THE YEAR SALES EVENT

2023 Ram 2500 Big Horn Crew Cab 4x4

Stock #615669 ^When properly equipped. See dealer for details.

2023 Jeep Gladiator Willys 4x4

TOTAL DISCOUNT $12,672

MOST CAPABLE MID SIZE PICK UP+
MSRP: $59,260
MOYER DISCOUNT: $3,783
REBATE: $8,889
SALE PRICE: $46,588*

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2024 Mazda CX-5 2.5 S Preferred All-Wheel Drive

0% APR FOR 60 MONTHS^^

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TOTAL DISCOUNT $13,867

UP TO 56 MPGe++

MSRP: $71,720
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REBATE: $10,691
SALE PRICE: $57,853*

Stock #6N230071 ++Manufacturer's estimated miles per gallon of gasoline equivalent. Actual mileage may vary.

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TOTAL DISCOUNT $8,291

UP TO 32 MPG**

MSRP: $41,630
MOYER DISCOUNT: $2,046
REBATE: $6,245
SALE PRICE: $33,339*

Stock #529710 **MPG: Based on EPA estimates. Actual mileage will vary with options, driving conditions, driving habits and your vehicle's condition.

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Legal Notice

Estate of Jean A. McConnell late of 710 N. 5th Street, City of Reading, Berks County, Pennsylvania, Deceased. Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims to present the same, without delay, to David McConnell, Executor, 710 N. 5th Street, Reading, PA 19601 or to his attorney, Rose Kennedy, 1212 Liggett Avenue, Reading, PA 19611.

Estate of Lillian C. Jenks late of 4373 Sutton Circle, Exeter Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, Deceased. Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims to present the same, without delay, to Cynthia Kennedy, Executrix, 4373 Sutton Circle, Reading, PA 19606 or to her attorney, Rose Kennedy, 1212 Liggett Avenue, Reading, PA 19611.

Personals

Psychologist needed. Psy. evaluation of child in IU needed to set up Guardianship. Need eval and paperwork for Guardianship as soon as possible. Please call 717-274-5887 or 570-699-9078.

Quote of the Week

In every adversity, there is a hidden opportunity.

—Debasish Mridha

Antique/ Collectibles

Christmas blowout sale! 20% off our Christmas room. Vendor deals 10-40% off. Cornfields, Route 322, between Ephrata and Shady Maple.

White House ornaments. Beautiful, In boxes. Minimum purchas 4 four $60, zip code 19608. Text 703-507-5045.

Antiques Wanted

Antiques wanted. Toys, sterling silver, glassware, carved canes, tools, pottery, trains, pocket watches, marbles, jewelry, cameras, radios, china. George 610-372-1681.

Antiques wanted: Buying almost anything old! Over 15 years experience. If you call me, I'll treat you fairly. Terry, 484-651-3499.

Equipment/ Machinery/Tools

For sale. Router table, fence, stand, mobile base, porter cable 1 ¾ hp, router, wrenches, 2nd inserts. $175. 610-223-8131.

Firewood/ Wood Stoves

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Coal/ wood/ pellet stoves and inserts. New and refurbished. Over 250 models in stock. $100-$800 and up. Buy/ sell/ trade. 717-577-6640

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Firewood. Split hardwood, seasoned delivered to you. Wood stove length. Stacking available. Call 610-780-1110, please leave message. $225/ cord.

Seasoned firewood for sale. Assorted hardwood, $199 a cord. Delivery and stacking available for extra. 717-639-4211.

Freebies

Do you have an item you would like to give away? There is no charge to list it here in the "Freebies" column. Call The Merchandiser office today at 717-273-8127.

Free wood for fireplace. You cut, you haul away. Call 610-582-5659.

Garage/ Yard Sales

Rain Policy: If it rains on the original day of your yard sale, the Merchandiser will, if notified within 7 days from the date of publication, rerun the identical ad one time free of charge within 30 days.

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Light gray recliner, wider than normal recliner. Not electric. No pets or smoking. Good condition. $200. 484-525-5151.

Miscellaneous For Sale

Are you a pet owner? Do you want to get up to 100% back on Vet bills? Physicians Mutual Insurance Company has pet coverage that can help. Call 1-866-314-0584 to get a free quote or visit insurebarkmeow.com/macnet

Chevy car parts to rebuild 1939 Chevy. Multiple variety from engine, interior, exterior, selling cheap. Vintage six drawer secretary oak desk. Call for information, 610-372-2193.

Christmas gifts, new comic books, many vintage, sealed packs. 25 Marvel Indy D.C., 18 Marvel early 90's, 7 Daredevil Issues 319 to 325 choice. $30 pack. 610-678-7538.

Classic Ironrite 890 rotary ironer with manual, good working condition, $100. LegXercise Pro-012 with mat, new and unused, $150. Call 610-775-2487.

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Demitri Nieves

Age: 26 Ht: 6'3"
Wt: 240 Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black

Wanted for:
DJ Warrant
Strangulation

Robert Hawkins

Age: 36 Ht: 5'8"
Wt: 160 Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown

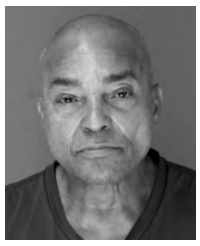
Wanted for:
DJ Warrant
Resisting Arrest

Cesar Rodriguez-Diaz

Age: 38 Ht: 5'11"
Wt: 205 Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black

Wanted for:
DJ Warrant
Retail Theft

Hector Esteves



Age: 66 Ht: 5'6"
Wt: 160 Eyes: Brown
Hair: Bald

Wanted for:
DJ Warrant
Delivery of a Controlled Substance

If you have any information regarding these individuals, please immediately contact The Berks County Sheriff's Office at 610-478-6390 or (610-655-4911 after 5:00 pm & weekends) or your local police department.

SERENDIPITY
with Barbara Pugliese

Splash, Kerplunk

"Splash, giggle, giggle, kerplunk," these undistinguishable sounds were coming from the creek where children were competing to see whose rock would make the biggest splash when thrown into the water. While the smaller rocks created small ripples in the water it was the kerplunk that got the loudest cheers. The larger rocks often returned a splash of water on anyone standing by the water's edge.

These ripples of water reaching out from the rock reminded me how we may never know the far-reaching effect one act of kindness may have. Neither can we anticipate how sharing one simple kindness will encourage someone to do likewise. The spray that comes from the kerplunk reminded me how kindness shown has a way of returning a splash on the giver.

During this season of giving is a perfect time to be reminded to send out ripples of kindness. Charitable organizations need support and volunteers. Shopping local helps small businesses thrive. Once you've started a ripple you will look for more opportunities.

Giving your smile to someone, anonymously paying for the cup of coffee for the person behind you in line will put a smile on two faces. Picking up litter may inspire someone else to do the same. Compliments don't cost you anything more than looking for opportunities to give one. The possibilities are endless when it comes to spreading good cheer. Don't talk yourself out of a kindness thinking it doesn't make a difference to someone. You may not see it but the splash you started will give you a sense of warmth for having carried it out.

Barbara Pugliese resides in Havertown with her husband of 25 years. She is a retired pharmaceutical trainer who began her career as an elementary school teacher. She is enjoying her retirement sprinkling joy wherever she can. Whether trying new recipes, baking or creative writing. She finds life fulfilling and is always in search of learning new skills.

Miscellaneous For Sale

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Up to $99

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Pets & Animals

Featured

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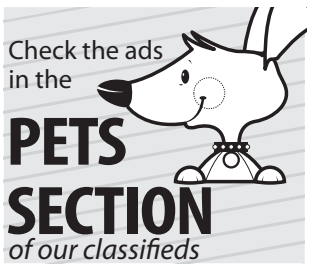
Chihuahua puppies for sale. Very adorable, shots, wormed. Will be vet checked. DOB 10/25/23. $795 OBO. 717-679-6877.

Cuddly and adorable Yorky mix puppies. Born 09-27-23. 4 males, 2 females. Family raised, vet checked, up to date on shots. The perfect Christmas gift. Starting price $750. 717-933-8473.



Sudoku

12/20/23

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

Level: Intermediate

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle! SU065310

Everyone Reads The *Merchandiser*

Jill Hoffacker reading the *Merchandiser* at The Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta, NM.

Where do you read the *Merchandiser?* Send us a picture of you reading the *Merchandiser* in the most unlikely situation you can think of... and share your photo with over 286,600 *Merchandiser* readers. If we publish it, you'll win a $25.00 check. So take your *Merchandiser* with you while working or vacationing out of town. Whenever possible, make sure the place can be identified by a sign, or landmark - use your creativity and send us your entries along with your name and address. Pictures will not be returned.

Submitted by: Jill Hoffacker, Spring Grove, PA
This week's $25.00 prize winner.

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Radon - Did You Know?

Found in rock, soil, water, natural gas, and some building materials, radon is a radioactive gas. Exposure to radon can cause cancer. Radon can seep in through the foundation of a home or building built on radon-contaminated soil. Inhabitants of homes contaminated with radon or those who work in buildings where radon has seeped in may be at a greater risk of developing cancer than those who do not live or work in such buildings. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, radon is responsible for about 21,000 deaths from lung cancer each year in the United States alone, and roughly 1 out of every 15 homes in the U.S. has unsafe levels of radon.Radon is most often found in basements because the gas sinks to the lowest points in buildings. However, even those homes or buildings without basements can have unsafe levels of radon. Property owners should have their homes or buildings tested for radon, as exposure to radon does not produce any symptoms, meaning those wholive and work in buildings where they are being exposed to radon won't know unless buildings are routinely tested. Kits to test radon levels can be purchased at many hardware stores, or property owners can hire professionals to conduct tests for them. TF141883

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Real Estate

Blow Out Your Candles

So often, we light our candles and then walk away from them, not realizing the dangers they can cause if not outfitted properly. If you don't have the proper holder, things could catch fire. Be sure that the holders you buy are not prone to tipping over, and that there is adequate room to catch the wax. As much as the wax looks cool and can even be fun to play with at times, it's not safe. It's hot from the start, and that's an important fact to remember. And once you've lighted your candles, make sure that you don't leave children alone with them. Other tips to prevent a fire breaking out within your household are as follows:

* Never leave food cooking on the stovetop unattended, and keep a close eye on food inside the oven.
* Keep potholders, towels, rags and drapes away from cooking areas.
* Replace or repair any electrical device with a loose, frayed or broken cord.
* Make sure a professional inspects your chimneys, chimney connectors, fireplaces and wood or coal stoves at least once a year.
* Give space heaters plenty of space. They should be at least 3 feet away from anything that could burn, and always make sure to turn the heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
* To reduce the risk of electrical shock, install ground-fault circuit interrupters. They shut off faulty electrical circuits and equipment more quickly than conventional fuses or circuit breakers. The devices are inexpensive and can be hard-wired into your home's electrical system by a professional electrician.

—adapted from the National Fire Protection Association

For Rent - Apts.

Equal Housing Opportunity. All real estate advertised in this publication is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act and the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act which make it illegal to advertise a preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap (physical or mental) or familial status (people with children) or an intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination. This publication will not knowingly accept any advertisement for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this publication are required to be available on an equal opportunity basis. "Note to our customers" When placing your real estate ad please describe the property only, not who you wish to occupy it.

1st floor, 1 bedroom apartment, water, sewer, appliances included. Country setting. 1 mile north of 78 on 419. No pets. No smoking. 1st, last and security deposit required. $775 per month. 717-933-4230.

For Rent - Rooms

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Your Home First Aid Kit

When you do your spring cleaning, take time out to replenish your home First Aid kit. Here are some items that should be in it:

- Tweezers and sharp scissors
- A rectal or digital thermometer
- A calibrated cup or spoon
- Hot and cold packs
- Nasal bulb syringe
- Rubbing alcohol, hydrogen peroxide
- Pain reliever such as acetaminophen
- Antihistamine
- Rehydration fluids
- Syrup of ipecac and activated charcoal (Only use if you've spoken with your local poison control center)
- Hydrocortisone and antibacterial cream
- Gauze and bandage strips in various sizes
- Adhesive tape

Did You Know?

Use care when cleaning wallpaper. According to handymanwire.com, never clean old wallpaper with water. Try a dry sponge or a 5 by 7 inch pad of virgin rubber about an inch thick that works like a giant eraser. For stubborn spots of crayon or wax, gently rub with a steel wool pad, followed by a dry cleaning solvent. Only try abrasive cleaners as a last resort. SH042658

Cooking Corner

Dear Cooks,

Well, after 32 years of sharing recipes with you all, it is time for me to say goodbye. I have enjoyed your letters, comments and recipes! There will be a new cook in the Kapp kitchen (so to speak) so I hope you will continue to look for, read the column and share your recipes. Below you will find some festive punch recipes for holiday entertaining. If you have a chance to try one of them, lift a glass and accept a toast from me to you, for the years of pleasure in sharing tasty recipes with you! Have a Blessed Christmas and a healthy and happy New Year.

12/20/23 Cheers! Elaine

Sugar Plum Punch

1 (25.4 oz.) Bottle Sparkling White Grape Juice
2 Cups Cranberry or Cran-Cherry Juice
2 Tbsp. Fresh Lime Juice

Chill the grape juice and cranberry juice for at least 30 minutes before prepping. Combine all the ingredients in a medium sized pitcher and stir. Pour and serve. Makes 6 wine-sized glasses of punch.

Festive Holiday Punch

1 Bottle (64 oz.) Cranberry-Raspberry Juice (chilled)
1 Can (12 oz.) Frozen Raspberry Lemonade Concentrate (thawed)
1 Bottle (2 liters) Lemon-Lime Soda (chilled)
Fresh Raspberries
Ice Cubes
Lime Wedges (optional)

In a punch bowl, mix juice and lemonade concentrate. Stir in the soda; top with raspberries. Serve over ice. If desired, garnish glasses with lime wedges. Makes 14 servings (3/4 cup each).

Santa's Christmas Punch

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1 Bottle (64 oz.) Cranberry Juice Blend
1 Cup Sugar
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1 Can Frozen Orange Juice Concentrate (thawed)
Ice Cubes
Water (for amount see directions)
Garnishes: Lemon Slices, Cranberries, Fresh Rosemary Sprigs

Combine the soda and the cranberry blend. Add the sugar and stir vigorously until combined and the sugar is dissolved. Add the thawed concentrates, stir again.
If you desire a strong punch you can leave it as is and just add ice. If you wish to dilute it a bit, add up to 3 cups of water (or to your taste). Remember adding ice will further dilute the punch, so be careful. Add the garnishes if desired. If using the lemon do not forget to wash it well.
Serves about 16.

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The holiday season is a special time of year for people of all ages, but children might be the most enthusiastic celebrants come December. Children spend much of the holiday season anticipating the arrival of the man in the red suit, and that enthusiasm can be contagious.

Families have their own unique traditions during the holiday season, but one popular way to harness kids' enthusiasm between Thanksgiving and Christmas Day is to read them holiday stories. There's no shortage of great holiday books for kids, but here are a handful that kids may remember well into adulthood.

• **"The Polar Express," by Chris Van Allsburg:** The beloved tale is the story of a young boy who boards a mysterious train bound for the North Pole.

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• **"Olive, the Other Reindeer," by Vivian Walsh:** Olive is no ordinary reindeer. In fact, Olive is a dog who heads to the North Pole believing she is a reindeer. Her decision to join Santa's team ultimately benefits the big man and his trusty reindeer.

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• **"Santa Claus and the Three Bears," by Maria Modugno:** This twist on the popular tale "Goldilocks and the Three Bears" finds three unsuspecting bears encountering a familiar fellow in a red suit upon returning home after a nighttime walk.

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So what might the outdoor spaces of homes built in the not-so-distant future look like? Respondents to the survey anticipated a growing demand for various built-in outdoor features, including:

- Firepits or fireplaces
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15 Black band worn in mourning
16 Long song in opera
17 Edible seed of a Philippine tree
18 Chicago political family
19 Pursues pleasure from one place to another
20 Appetizer
22 Hill (Celtic)
23 Simple shoe
24 Songs to one you love
27 Secret activities
30 Upset
31 Popular hot drink
32 Body art (slang)
35 Fired
37 Blood relation
38 Identical
39 Porticos
40 Partner to cheese
41 Type of sword
42 Enough (archaic)
43 Surface layer of ground
44 Cotton fabric woven like satin
45 Choose for a post
46 Father
47 Tell on
48 Indian title of respect
49 Fonts
52 Fencing sword
55 Mock
56 Vaccine developer
60 Atmosphere surrounding a person or place
61 Marten with a short tail
63 Chinese temple
64 Invests in little enterprises
65 Popular cut of meat
66 Charity
67 Iron-containing compound
68 River in Northern Europe
69 One point east of southeast

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3 Impudent behavior
4 Adherents to Islam
5 They come after A
6 Spoke
7 Room to receive guests
8 About opera
9 End-blown flute
10 Heroic tales
11 Member of a Semitic people
12 Dog's name
13 Opposite of west
21 Political divisions in ancient Greece
23 Ocean
25 Cool!
26 Young woman about to enter society
27 One from central Caucasus
28 Indian city
29 A way to serve ice cream
32 Emaciation
33 Escort aircraft carrier
34 Italian city
36 Mythical settler of Kansas
37 Unhappy
38 High schoolers' test
40 Measured in pace
41 Satisfies
43 Gullible person
44 Enclosed space
46 Substance used to color something
47 Shirt type
49 Discover by investigation
50 __-Castell, makers of pens
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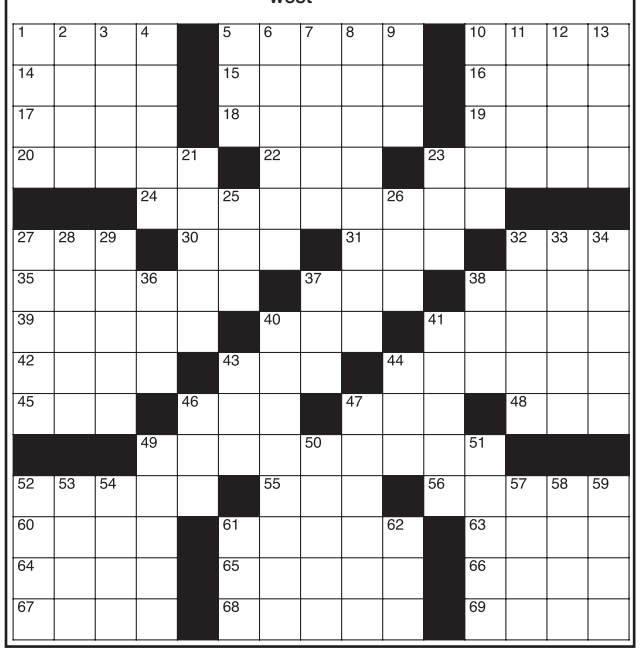

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Things to look for in a new job

Professionals change jobs for various reasons. But regardless of what's behind a career change, many people can benefit by looking for things in a new job that can make them happy both professionally and personally.

• **Salary:** Of course everyone would love to earn more money when changing jobs, but there is more to changing jobs than just improving your bottom line. As you begin your job search, consider how much you currently earn and if that allows you to live a life you love. If so, don't overemphasize finding a new job that pays considerably more than your currently earn. On the flip side, young professionals who want to start a family in the years ahead should consider the costs associated with such a decision and how the salaries they earn at their next jobs may affect what they want down the road.

• **Work/life balance:** Before beginning your search for a new job, think about why you want to switch careers or companies. Long hours often leads to burnout. If you're looking for a new job because you're burned out, try to find a job that affords you a better work/life balance. A study from the Happiness Research Institute in Copenhagen found that, with the curious exception of people who work more than 55 hours per week, stress rises accordingly with the numbers of hours worked each week. Keep that in mind if your goal is to find a job that affords you a better work/life balance.

• **Satisfaction:** When attempting to achieve a better work/life balance, it can be easy to overlook satisfaction at work in exchange for more time at home. But studies have shown that feeling satisfied by what you do can have a profound impact on your overall happiness. It's possible to find an engaging career that still affords you time away from work, and such a career can ultimately pave the way toward a happier life.

• **Commute:** Bending over backwards simply to get to work and then get home from work can have an incredibly negative impact on your life. A study from the Office of National Statistics in the United Kingdom found that commuters, especially those who spend between 60 and 90 minutes commuting to work, have lower life satisfaction and lower levels of happiness compared to people who don't commute. Before accepting a job offer, estimate your commute time to and from the new office and try to determine the impact of that commute on your quality of life.

Many people aspire to find a new job. Job seekers should consider a host of factors before switching jobs to make sure they make the best decisions. TF18C530

Interview tip:

Part of a successful job interview is your ability to market your experiences and skills as they relate to the job described, and a great way to do just that is by telling stories to illustrate your experiences and successes with those skills. Stories make you engaging, allow you to show off your personality and demonstrate good communication skills too.

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AUTOMOTIVE

Quick Safety Seat Checkup Tips

Does your child ride in the back seat? The back seat is generally the safest place in a crash. If your vehicle has a passenger air bag, it is essential for children 12 and under to ride in back.

Does your child ride facing the right way? Infants should ride in rear facing restraints (in the back seat) until age 1 and at least 20-22 lbs. Infants who weigh 20 lbs. before 1 year of age should ride in a restraint approved for higher rear facing weights. Always read your child restraint manual for instructions on properly using the restraint. Children over age one and at least 20 pounds may ride facing forward.

Does the safety belt hold the seat tightly in place? Put the belt through the correct slots. If your safety seat can be used facing either way, use the correct belt path for each direction. Check the vehicle owner's manual and safety seat instruction book for guidance.

Is the harness buckled snugly around your child? Keep harness straps snug over the child's shoulders. Place the chest clip at armpit level.

Does your child over 40 pounds have the best protection possible? Keep your child in a safety seat with a full harness as long as possible, at least until 40 pounds. Then use a belt-positioning booster seat which helps the adult lap and shoulder belt fit better. A belt-positioning booster seat is preferred for children between 40-80 pounds. It is used with the adult lap and shoulder belt.

How should a safety belt fit an older child? The child should be tall enough to sit without slouching, with knees bent at the edge of the seat, with feet on the floor. The lap belt must fit low and tight across the upper thighs. The shoulder belt should rest over the shoulder and across the chest. Never put the shoulder belt under the arm or behind the child's back. The adult lap and shoulder belt system alone will not fit most children until they are at least 4'9" tall and weigh about 80 pounds.

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Guess Who?

I am an actor born in California on December 20, 1983. I began writing and performing my own plays while in college. I rose to Hollywood stardom for roles in funny films, and was nominated for an Academy Award for "Moneyball."

Answer: Jonah Hill

Oh deer! Hunters can share their harvest

The state Department of Agriculture and Pennsylvania Game Commission are again encouraging hunters to consider sharing their deer harvest to provide thousands of pounds of venison to people in need.

Hunters Sharing the Harvest (HSH) is Pennsylvania's venison donation program for hunters who share their extra venison via a statewide network of participating butchers to food pantries and community assistance centers across the Commonwealth. One deer provides about 200 servings of high-protein, low-fat venison. Thanks to the program's generous supporters, hunters pay nothing to ensure their venison helps to provide a warm meal to someone in need in their community.

The program reported near record participation last year with nearly 200,000 pounds of venison donated. HSH has distributed more than two million pounds of donated venison since 1991. More information about the program and how to participate is available at sharedeer.org.

Away In a Manger

"Away In a Manger" is a popular Christmas carol that has endured for well over a century. One of the first known appearances of the song was in the journal The Christian Cynosure in 1882, which indicates it is now more than 140 years old. That publication titled the hymn "Luther's Cradle Song," and a brief description of the song preceding the lyrics indicates it was written by the German religious reformer Martin Luther. However, the University Libraries at The Ohio State University note that historians have since dispelled that notion, with some suggesting the song was written to commemorate the 400th anniversary of Luther's birth (the reformer was born in 1483). Regardless of its authorship, the song remains a popular and moving hymn that can be heard far and wide during the holiday season.

Away In a Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed; The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head. The stars in the sky looked down where he lay; The little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes; But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes. I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky; And stay by my cradle til morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay; Close by me forever, and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children in thy tender care; And take us to heaven, to live with Thee there.

Lyrics courtesy of LyricsforChristmas.com HL23A292

Crossword Puzzle Answer

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Wednesday -

Exeter Seniors Club
Meets 3rd Wednesday of the month, 12:30pm, Schwarzwald LC, Oley Turnpike Rd. Entertainment, bingo & socialization open to everyone.

Hour of Prayer
Wednesdays, 4pm, Kissinger's Church, 715 Berkshire Blvd., Wyomissing. Public welcome.

Young at Heart
9-11am, Adamstown Area Library, 110 W. Main St. For ages 60 & older. Info, 717-484-4200 or REALLCS.org.

- Saturday -

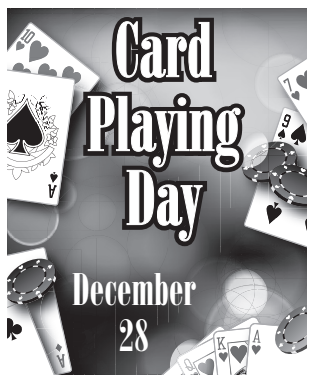
Berks Strollers
Reading Public Museum. Meet 10am, museum parking lot. Easy terrain. Leader: Kay, 610-796-7602.

- Monday -

Adamstown Area Library
Book Club in a Bag Pickup, while supplies last. For ages 5-12. Info, 717-484-4200.

- Tuesday -

Reading A Cappella Voices
Meets Tuesdays, 7pm, Nativity of the BVM UCC, 300 Grace St., Reading. All female singers welcome. Info, 610-921-7989; readingacvoices@gmail.com.



OBITUARIES

BEADLE – Albert Ellsworth Beadle Jr., 93, of Reading, passed away December 11 in the Reading Hospital. He was the husband of the late Patricia J. Beadle.

BLIMLINE – Maverick Jameson Blimline, 17 months old, passed away December 6. He was a son of Randy Blimline and Meghan O'Neill.

CAMILLI – Anthony G. Camilli, 68, passed away in his home December 9. He is survived by his wife Cherie.

CLIFFORD – Judith Margaret Clifford passed away December 4 at the Reading Hospital.

CONRAD – James Reginald Conrad, 64, of Muhlenberg Twp., passed away December 7 at Jefferson Einstein Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Stoudt Conrad.

DAVID – Martha Catherine Davis, 96, passed away December 8. She was the widow of Walter Harry Davis.

DIFFENDAL – Judith A. Diffendal, 77, of Wyomissing Hills, passed away at Hershey Medical Center December 5. She was the wife of James J. Diffendal.

GNAU – Joan A. Gnau, 85, of Reading, passed away December 4 in her home. She was the widow of Harold E. Gnau Jr.

KELLY – Karen Renate Bender Kelly passed away November 27 at Laureldale Skilled Nursing.

LONG – Nelson Harry Long, 84, passed away December 8 at Reading Hospital. He was the husband of Patricia E. Piro Long.

MICHALSKI – Sharon Kathleen Michalski, 82, of Reading, passed away December 2 in Penn State St. Joseph Hospital. She was the widow of Robert Michalski.

PLEITNER – Florence E. Pleitner passed away December 9 in her Robeson Twp. residence. She was the wife of James E. Pleitner.

SMITH – Ruth Stratton Smith, 89, of The Heritage of Green Hills, and formerly of Wyomissing, passed away December 10. She was the wife of the late Willard Franklin Smith.

URBAN – Lawrence H. Urban Jr., 65, of Birdsboro, passed away December 6. He is survived by his wife, Mary E. Matuszewski Urban.

WANNER – Russell L. Wanner, 75, passed away in his residence December 6.

WEGMAN – Geraldine M. Moyer Wegman, 91, of Amity Twp., passed away December 10 at Amity Place Assisted Living. She was the widow of Daniel L. Wegman.

WELLER – Chad Jay Weller, 56, of Reading, passed away December 7 at The Reading Hospital. He was the husband of Carolyn Joy Weaver Weller.

Missed A Recipe?

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Early Deadline Notice for Christmas

Issue of December 27, 2023

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Fri., December 22 - 10 AM

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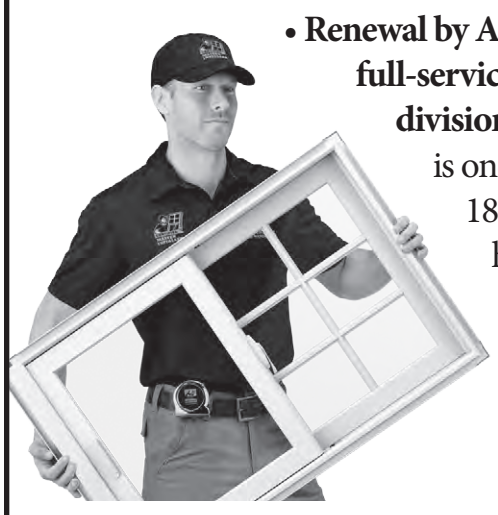

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