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The Sunbury Ice Rink has undergone major upgrades within the past few years.

## Sunbury Ice Rink up and running

Aspiring figure skaters, area hockey teams use facility

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SUNBURY — Two hundred feet of ice covered a section of Sunbury on Saturday, and that’s exactly how a 14-year-old future hopeful Olympic figure skating champion likes it.

Katlyn Snyder, of Selinsgrove, was inside the Sunbury Ice Rink, using all 200 feet by 85 feet to sharpen her skills as she continues her quest of becoming a figure skater.

“This is great here because I get to work on my figure skating,” she said. “I like to come when it is not that busy so I can get as much practice in as possible.”

The rink opened its doors last month, and Councilman Jim Eister, who is in charge of parks and recreation, said he couldn’t be happier for the skating season to arrive.

“We are all proud of the ice rink,” Eister said. “It is one of a kind and to see so many people enjoying it and families coming to enjoy the day or night is just wonderful.”

The rink went through major upgrades the past few years, which included two 20-foot by 12-foot youth hockey locker rooms, LED lighting, a camera system, a new sound system



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Selinsgrove resident Katlyn Snyder, 14, practices figure skating inside the Sunbury Ice Rink on Saturday.

and several other repairs, Eister said.

The ice rink also is home to various hockey leagues across the Valley, including the Susquehanna Stampede and the hockey teams at Susquehanna and Bucknell universities, who use the rink throughout the year.

In the last few years, the rink also purchased an ice skate sharpening machine that employees can use to make sure skates are up to par, and the facility continues to get a fresh

makeover, Eister said.

“We love when we get to meet and hear from people who travel from long distances just to come out and skate,” Eister said. “The rink is a staple of our city, and we hope everyone comes out this season to support us and to enjoy themselves.”

Hours of operation can be found at [www.sunburypa.org](http://www.sunburypa.org) as times vary due to different scheduled events.

## Shutdown set to drag into its sixth week

Trump says he ‘won’t be extorted by Democrats’

By Mary Clare Jalonick  
*The Associated Press*

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump says he “won’t be extorted” by Democrats to reopen the government, making clear that he has no plans to negotiate as the government shutdown will soon enter its sixth week.

In an interview on CBS’s “60 Minutes” that aired on Sunday, Trump said that Democrats who are demanding an

extension in health care subsidies “have lost their way” and predicted that they will eventually capitulate to Republicans who have said they won’t negotiate until they vote to reopen the government.

“I think they have to,” Trump said. “And if they don’t vote, it’s their problem.”

Trump’s comments signal that the shutdown could continue to drag on for some time

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## Man convicted of exposing self allowed to volunteer at haunted attraction with minors

By Ann Rejrat  
*For Spotlight PA*

Field of Screams, the popular haunted attraction in central Pennsylvania, allowed a man convicted of exposing his genitals to children to volunteer alongside teenagers for three years.

Christopher Rohrbaugh, a 62-year-old Manheim Township man, pleaded guilty to misdemeanor charges of indecent exposure and corruption of minors in 2011.

A video and photos from social media reviewed by Spotlight PA show Rohrbaugh was a volunteer at Field of Screams from 2023 to 2024. Field of Screams confirmed Rohrbaugh was a volunteer at the attraction, adding that he also volunteered in 2022.

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The revelation raises new questions about how the attraction protects the minors in its volunteer workforce.

Spotlight PA interviewed 18 current and former volunteers who worked there from 2006 through 2024 and who described a hostile environment in which some unpaid adult staff sexually harassed, forcibly grabbed, and groped young volunteers, and pressured teenagers into sex.

After volunteers went public in 2020 with some of these allegations, Field of Screams vowed to do better and began to perform background checks

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## Indiana man completes vintage 1940s basketball card set

By Spencer Durham  
*Kokomo Tribune*

KOKOMO, Ind. — Arthur Spector played four seasons for the Boston Celtics between the years of 1946 and 1950.

He averaged no more than 6 points per game in any season. His Basketball Reference page is sparse, as is his Wikipedia page, which offers only basic biographical details and career stats.

Spector’s claim to fame is that he was the first player signed by the Celtics, one of the original eight teams of the National Basketball Association.

For one Kokomo man, Spector was the final piece in a 20-plus year chase.

Spector’s 1948 Bowman basketball card was the last one needed in Bill Bersbach’s quest to complete the 72-card set.

“He was tough to find,” Bersbach said.

The cards in the ‘48 set, which feature hall of famer George Mikan, are very rare due to their limited production and the fact that they didn’t sell at the time. It wasn’t until the 1980s that basketball cards gained widespread popularity.

When the Kokomo Tribune

last checked in on Bersbach, he was 16 cards away from a complete set. That was last summer.

“I have a whole network of people who know I collect,” he said then.

Over the past year, Bersbach checked off the last 16 cards. His collection, all graded (evaluated and authenticated), is considered the 11th best in the country, according to Professional Sports Authenticator, a leader in the card industry.

“It was a lot of fun getting all 72 of those cards,” Bersbach said.

Set rankings are based on completeness and quality of cards.

Sharp corners and image centering make for a better grade.

“What makes Bill and his collection so much better is they’re graded,” said Jimmy Byrd. “That just defines the value.”

Byrd, of Muncie, Indiana, runs Gem-Mint Auction, an online card auction site. He helped Bersbach get into the hobby.

There are only about 20 people listed by PSA as having a complete ‘48 graded set. Of the 14,000 cards graded by PSA from the vintage basketball set, only 12 have ever rated a 10,

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Bill Bersbach flips through some of his vintage baseball card collection. A collector of vintage baseball and basketball cards, the Kokomo man completed the 72-card set of 1948 Bowman basketball, all graded.

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