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Joseph and Kristine Altenor

Altenors honored for their service both locally, worldwide

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SHARON – Joseph and Kristine Altenor’s reach to help extends not only extends to the local area but to other nations. That’s partly why the husband-and-wife team who own Haitian Sensa-

tion restaurant in downtown Sharon were honored Thursday evening with the Henry and Catherine Evans Community Service Award. The award was presented by the Buhl Club at an awards dinner at The Corinthian Banquet Center – around the corner from

their own store. It wasn’t too long ago that the couple were asked to speak to the Buhl Club’s staff, Jason Kmick, the club’s executive director, said before the ceremonies began. “The staff came back to me and said, ‘these are the people we need to honor.’”

Kmick said. “Joseph and Kristine are very mission-driven like we are.” This award was quite unexpected, Joseph said. “I have no way to explain my feelings,” he said. “My wife and I feel so blessed.”

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Stabbing victims testify at hearing

By **MELISSA KLARIC**
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FARRELL – Two people who were stabbed last month in Hermitage testified Thursday at a preliminary hearing for the man charged with attempted homicide in the case. Darrian Jamal Hernandez, 28, Baltimore, Md., was charged with two counts each of attempted homicide and aggravated assault in the case. The victims testified at the preliminary hearing Thursday in front of District Judge Mary Ann Odem, who ultimately held over all charges to Mercer County Common Pleas Court. The female victim testified that Hernandez and his girlfriend were from out of town. She felt bad that they were sleeping in their vehicle, so they came over to her home in Shenango Park Apartments in Hermitage. She said the pair went and bought liquor and were drinking. The victim said she and her boyfriend, who share the apartment with their young son, were not drinking, but going to bed. They heard fighting later and came out of their bedroom into the living room. Hernandez was being verbally abusive to his girlfriend, Serenity Tykier Thomas, 27, of Gwynn Oak, Md., who faces a drug charge in relation to the case. Both victims collectively testified that as Hernandez got more abusive, they were trying to get him out of the apartment. At that point, he stabbed the man twice in the chest, once in the side and once in the arm. The woman tried to get in between the two men and she got stabbed twice in the abdomen. They then got Hernandez on the ground, the man hit

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Public get to see new visions for Greenville



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Greenville residents DeAnn Roberts, front, and Brenda Leffler look at maps and architectural layouts of the Trinity North site and the Greenville Redevelopment Authority’s plans for it at “Envision Greenville: An Idea Exchange and Presentation” Wednesday.

Experts seek feedback on redevelopment plans

By **HAILEY ROGENSKI**
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GREENVILLE – The Greenville Redevelopment Authority hosted its first “Envision Greenville: An Idea Exchange and Presentation,” so residents could here from experts about the urban development project the authority is working on and

give feedback on the project. The project focuses mainly on the former Trinity North site, but may also include work or redevelopment in other areas, Town Manager Jasson Urey said. “One of the requirements in urban redevelopment law is that we get input from the public on what their vision is for the site,” he said. He said the authority will continue to host these events as it proceeds forward with

the project to keep the public updated and receive more comments. Urey said the project will be paid for by grants, including two Brownfield Grants from the Pennsylvania Environmental Protection Agency as well as future grants they may receive. He said the goal is to create a sustainable community and bring more people to

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Sharon man charged with attempted homicide

By **MELISSA KLARIC**
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SHARON – A Sharon man was charged Tuesday with attempted homicide for a shooting that happened last April. Jaden Dwayne Howell, 21, of 559 Prindle St., was charged with attempted homicide, aggravated assault, prohibited possession of a firearm and carrying a firearm without a license in the case. A preliminary hearing has been scheduled for Sept. 24 before District Judge Travis P. Martwinski of Sharon. Police said in a criminal complaint that they responded at 10:50 p.m. April 9 to the 300 block of Quinby Street for multiple reports of shots fired. The first responders found a 17-year-old gunshot victim lying in the front yard, bleeding from multiple gunshot wounds to his left leg. A witness said that the juvenile and another man were fighting with Howell over social media earlier in the day. She said multiple people said Howell shot the victim. Another witness told police that her stepson was in a vehicle with Howell and that Howell had recently shot someone in the city of Sharon. They said they were driving around in Greenville.

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Community invited to see tools that help those with vision loss

By **DAVID L. DYE**
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HERMITAGE — Students, teachers, specialists and family members are invited to the Keystone Blind Association’s upcoming “Thriving With Vision Loss Expo.” The expo will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday at 3056 E. State St., Hermitage. The free-to-the-public event will feature multiple vendors, technologies, presentations and information on available resources, Keystone Vice President of Services Priscilla Earhart said. “It’s open to anyone living with vision loss and their families, because there’s so many

family members who don’t always know what’s available out there,” Gearhart said. This will be the Keystone Blind Association’s second such expo. The first expo was held last year, after the association received a one-time grant through the Pennsylvania Association of the Blind to buy assistive technology equipment for people with vision loss. Assistive technology can range from microwaves that can be operated verbally to computers that read text to the user. “For that first expo, we wanted to display the equipment so

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TANNER MONDOK | Herald file

Digital magnifiers used to help those who are visually impaired read were demonstrated at the Keystone Blind Association’s Thriving with Vision Loss expo last year.

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Cynthia FREUND, 71, Sharpsville. **George F. WALKER**, 99, Grove City.
Nancy J. REDFOOT, 89, Sharon.



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