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McCort looks to continue lawsuit

School asks judge to nix dismissal bid



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Bishop McCort Catholic High School is shown June 29.

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Bishop McCort Catholic Academy's lawsuit against Laurel Highlands Athletic Conference members and the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association is not over. Although Bishop McCort has struck a deal with 13 school districts requiring them to move to rescind the November amendment to the LHAC voting process that lies at the

root of the case, the private school is continuing its lawsuit against the remaining LHAC member school districts that have not agreed to the settlement. "Given the conduct of the original defendants that gave rise to (Bishop McCort's) claims in this case, as well as the fact that the remaining defen-

dants have refused to settle with the plaintiff on the same basis ... the possibility will always exist that a new attempt or other action may be taken to have the plaintiff removed from the LHAC," Bishop McCort's counsel said in a document filed in U.S. District Court. Bishop McCort sued the LHAC

and the PIAA in January, alleging that the LHAC's rule change was based in religious discrimination. The LHAC amendment, which took effect in July, required two-thirds of member schools to approve a school's recommitment to the

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'There are so many great moments'

Forest Hills band's halftime performance features 1990s, 2000s hits

Editor's note: This is the latest in a series of stories and photographs featuring high school marching bands in the region. The series will appear each Friday throughout the high school football season.

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SIDMAN - Hits from the 1990s and 2000s are at the heart of the Forest Hills High School marching band's halftime show this year. The performance is titled "TGIF" and features "Holiday" by Green Day, "Buddy Holly" by Weezer and "All the Small Things" by Blink 182.

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"The idea for this came from narrowing down music that we thought fit the idea of '90s bands," Director Mitchell Custer said. "We try to present music that both our students and our audience will know." Carson Myers, a senior trombone player, has been impressed by the performance thus far. "I enjoy it a lot and think it is one of the best ones we have had," he said. Myers has taken part in marching band for five years, and he said his favorite aspect is the positive environment. "I have never felt unwanted," Myers said. "Marching band has been a great way for me to continue learning more things about playing trombone and is a great experience." In addition to the music, the band performs 30 movements on the field. Custer said the movements range from straight lines and

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The Forest Hills High School marching band takes the field for its halftime performance during the Rangers' football game against Westmont Hilltop Aug. 28 at G.H. Miller Memorial Field in Sidman, above. At left, senior Andrew Kalenish plays the mellophone during the national anthem.

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Pa. legislator denies report he used slurs against Dem

Equality, Black caucus leaders demand rep's immediate resignation

BY ERIC SCICCHITANO
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HARRISBURG - A Republican lawmaker from western Pennsylvania forcefully denied allegations that he made slurs against a Democratic colleague, while leaders of the legislative Equality and Black caucuses are demanding an immediate resignation.



Bernstine

PennLive reported that state Rep. Aaron Bernstine, R-Lawrence, used slurs against state Rep. Malcolm Kenyatta, D-Philadelphia, during a "verbal confrontation" with a representative of the Building and Construction Trades Council. The alleged incident reportedly occurred Tuesday at McGrath's Pub near the state Capitol during a Democratic fundraiser, according to PennLive. The media outlet directly quotes Michael Ford, secretary and treasurer of the Building and Construction Trades Council, who accused Bernstine of insulting both Kenyatta and Robert Bair, president of the Trades Council. "Bernstine called Kenyatta a 'gay, Black (slur)' and asked in a joking manner if anyone knew why Kenyatta was now

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Artist to auction off historic Bethlehem, U.S. Steel items

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Johnstown-area artist Joseph Hensel owns multiple storage containers filled with old Bethlehem Steel Corp. and U.S. Steel foundry patterns, documents and other materials of local historic significance. He accumulated the items over the years to use in his artwork. Hensel is now looking to downsize by selling off some of those original materials, all of which have accompanying provenance. Double D Auction Service will

hold an auction from noon until 5 p.m. Oct. 10 at the site of the former Forest Park Club, 1375 Frankstown Road, Johnstown. Hensel expects to sell two or three containers worth of items, maybe even more if demand is high and the auction is extended for a second day. The items will be auctioned in lots. "They're going to outlive me," he said. "I have a huge collection and probably the best collection of Johnstown United States Steel patterns and artifacts, and the same with Bethlehem Steel. I've got so many at age 71."

Hensel, owner of IronWood ARTifacts, has spent years up-cycling documents, patterns and other materials into pieces of art, such as lamps, framed pictures and 3D industrial displays. "It has been gratifying to be able to tell the story of the American steelworker, industrial worker, specifically the Johnstown steelworker," Hensel said. "I wanted to show off, celebrate the ingenuity, the craftsmanship, the hard work that turned out these pieces that literally built America, built

the bridges, the machines, the equipment, the railroad cars that catapulted America forward." Hensel added: "I'm glad to be able to share some tangible part of history that people can hang on their walls, or complement their homes and their bars and their restaurants with a piece of actual history that is documented and has provenance." Dave Sutor is a reporter for The Tribune-Democrat. He can be reached at 814-532-5056. Follow him on Twitter @Dave_Sutor.



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Joseph Hensel talks about his artwork in 2023.

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Coming Saturday

- Tuesday Noon Recital Series resumes at First Lutheran Church in downtown Johnstown.
- Ninth annual ARToberFEST set for Oct. 10 at Community Arts Center of Cambria County.

WEATHER

Not as warm, with rain today. High 70, low 47. Five-day forecast/B8