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32th Annual Lehigh Valley Workers' Memorial

at the

Bethlehem Rose Gardens, Bethlehem, Pa.

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Pray for the dead; fight for the living

"THE SAFETY OF THE PEOPLE shall be the highest law." That quote is not from any politician, union leader or even a government safety inspector. It was from Marcus Tullius Cicero, who was a Roman philosopher born in 106 B.C. He knew then what many don't seem to understand now.

This year we remember over 110 child laborers, age seventeen and younger, that perished in workplace accidents. Although most young victims died over a century ago, at least four fatalities have happened locally since the establishment of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) in 1971. In fact, we lost a seventeen-year old worker last year. *(See page five)*

The Lehigh Valley has been home to some of the nation's most dangerous industries since the beginning of our region's industrial age. Iron ore and zinc ore mines, cement and slate quarries, iron and steel mills, rail yards and dynamite factories took the lives of countless workers. We list nearly 4,000 local workplace deaths in this booklet. You can find the circumstances of each tragedy by visiting the Lehigh Valley Labor Council's website at: www.lehighvalleyclc.org.

Workplace conditions have improved since the creation of OSHA, but too many workers today remain at serious risk of injury, exposure to chemicals and toxins, and workplace assaults. According to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's most recent statistics, nearly 5,000 workers died from traumatic injuries in 2020. An estimated 120,000 workers died from occupational diseases. Unfortunately the current staffing level at OSHA is the lowest since its creation over fifty years ago. There is only one compliance officer for every 81,427 workers, and it would take OSHA over one hundred years to inspect each worksite in the country.

Since 1991, we have met at the Bethlehem Rose Gardens every April to remember local workers lost to accidents and diseases. We have annually joined the nationwide campaign to reduce workplace fatalities and to remember the immortal words of Mary Harris, better known as Mother Jones, who said, "Pray for the dead and fight like hell for the living."

We need to do better. For example, workplace violence is the second-leading cause of job deaths. We must pass the Workplace Violence Prevention for Health Care and Social Service Workers Act requiring OSHA to promulgate a standard to protect these workers from the high risk of violence on the job. The COVID-19 pandemic exposed our lack of an infectious disease standard in the workplace. And Pennsylvania remains one of the few states without OSHA standards for its state, county and municipal employees. Our gathering today is not just to mourn those who have already died, but to urge our political and business leaders that more needs to be done to improve workplace safety.

"The safety of the people shall be the highest law." We have a long way to go to make Cicero's words come true. And until we do, we will heed the calling of "Mother" Jones and continue to "Pray for the death and fight like hell for the living."

John Werkheiser, chair
Lehigh Valley Workers' Memorial

About the monument

THE SEVEN AND ONE-HALF ACRE Bethlehem Rose Gardens provides a solemn setting for the local tribute to fallen and injured workers. Surrounded by rose bushes, the eight-foot tall Workers' Memorial Day monument is an uplifting symbol for an occasion focused on tragedy. "The bronze sculpture, a worker inside a circle pushing upward, has a universal quality," wrote *Allentown Morning Call* reporter Ron Devlin before its dedication in 1991. "It's as if the figure were shaping the Earth. Work, an elemental aspect of our being, is defining the world."

On February 13, 1990, the Northampton County Labor Council and the Lehigh County Labor Council conceived an idea for a memorial for workers injured or killed due to workplace accidents or diseases. Pete DePietro, president of the Northampton County Labor Council spearheaded the effort. Area labor unions and businesses created a memorial committee and the two labor organizations would later merge to form the Lehigh Valley Labor Council in 2000.

Labor activists, friends and family survivors held the first local Workers' Memorial Day ceremony in front of the Van Bittner Steelworkers Building, 53 East Lehigh Street, Bethlehem on April 28, 1990. This was the originally conceived site of the marker. The Lehigh County Labor Council also held a service at their headquarters at 124 North Sixth Street, Allentown.

On September 12, 1990, the Lehigh Valley Workers' Memorial Committee kicked off a fundraising campaign at the Route 512 Holiday Inn, Bethlehem. The committee eventually raised over $125,000 for a memorial. Committee members also decided that any money left over would go to a scholarship fund for the children of those who were killed or seriously injured due to a workplace mishap. The committee commissioned artists Frudakis, Glenside, & Marcune, Bethlehem, to design and build a memorial to fallen workers. They also received approval from the City of Bethlehem in December 1990 to erect the monument at the Rose Gardens.

Artists Zenos Frudakis and Benjamin F. Marcune designed the statue. They used Roma Plastina clay to sculpt the 1000-pound figure. Later, the artists encased the workman with rolled-up sleeves in bronze and set him inside a steel circle. The circle symbolizes safety through solidarity and the worker stands inside as if protected.

Bethlehem Steel fabricated the specialty steel circle, known as "Mayari-r Steel." It is a type of weathering steel that is allowed to rust. After years of exposure to the elements, the rust creates a protective coating on the steel, eliminating the need for painting and giving it a distinctive appearance. It is also stronger than conventional steel. The past three decades have given the bronze figure its green-black patina.

Laran Bronze, Inc., a Chester, Pa. fine art foundry and studio, cast the monument. Union members from the Carpenters #600 and the Operating Engineers #542 installed the 2500-pound memorial.

The monument's dedication on April 28, 1991 marked the first memorial to workplace tragedies in Pennsylvania. Approximately 350 people gathered for the dedication of the Bethlehem Rose Gardens memorial and over 500 workplace fatalities were read.

History of
Child labor fatalities
in the Lehigh Valley

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George Dull, age six, died on January 4, 1880 when he was struck by a locomotive at the Saucon Iron Company. He is the youngest fatality known in the Lehigh Valley.

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Mary Duffy, age ten, died on October 4, 1897 from lockjaw received in an injury at the Allentown Spinning Mill, Co. She is the youngest girl known to have died in a workplace accident.

110+

Number of children, age seventeen or younger, that are known to have died in the Lehigh Valley.

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Number of children, age seventeen or younger, that are known to have died in the Lehigh Valley since the passage of the 1971 Occupational Safety and Health Act. They include: Charlotte Schmoyer, age fifteen (1993); Wayne Nagle, age seventeen (1973); Charles Simmons, Jr., age seventeen (1977); and Isiah Bedocs, age seventeen (2022)

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Number of boys, age seventeen or younger, that are known to have died at Bethlehem Steel. John Nunnemacher, age fourteen, died in 1893 and was the youngest steelworker fatality.

Details regarding each workplace fatality can be found at:
www.lehighvalleyclc.org.

Program

Introduction
John Werkheiser

History of child labor fatalities
Ron Ennis

Reading of fatalities since last year's ceremony *(see below)*
Ron Ennis

Remembering loved ones and friends lost to workplace tragedies
Family members and coworkers

Ringing of the Bell
John Weiss

Playing of Taps
Rob Hawke

Reception
In the DAR House, Rose Gardens

Fatalities added since April 2022:

Isiah Bedocs, a seventeen-year-old tree trimmer for Adam's Tree Service, died on August 9 while working in North Whitehall Township after he was partially pulled into a commercial wood chipper.

Scott Fichter, a fifty-five year old trash truck driver for Whitetail Disposal, died on October 21 in East Greenville when his truck ran over him after he had exited his cab.

Marvin Gruber, a fifty-nine year old New Tripoli firefighter, and *Zachary Paris*, a thirty-six year old New Tripoli firefighter, died on December 8 while battling a house fire in Schuylkill County.

Michael Lugo, a thirty-nine year old forklift operator for NFI Industries, died on December 24 after he was pinned between a loading dock wall and a trailer.

Nicholas Varec, a thirty-six year old construction worker for Dirt Work Solutions, died on January 4 in Lehigh Township after he was pinned between equipment and a trench box.

John Cipriano, a fifty-seven year old truck driver for Bimbo Bakeries, died on January 7 at the company's Northampton County warehouse after suffering a heart attack.

Lehigh Valley Workers' Memorial Scholarship Fund

Benefits those injured, or family members of those killed or injured on the job. For information and application form, visit www.lehighvalleyclc.org and click on the link "Workers Memorial" at the top of the page.

THE LEHIGH VALLEY WORKERS' MEMORIAL list is arranged chronologically. We thank all the local reporters and news photographers that documented the stories and provided the source material for this booklet. **We have currently identified nearly 4,000 workplace fatalities**. Information on each death can be found at **www.lehighvalleyclc.org**. News accounts in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries sometimes recorded only the first or last name. In cases where no name was listed, "n.a." suggests that we may never learn the worker's identity. Our continuing research will strive to unearth and identify all local workers who died as a result of an injury or workplace disease.

1771
Nathan Ogden
1849
Henshaw
Charles Worman
John Shaid
Daniel Moser
Augustus A. Gassler
1850
Alfred J. Oberholzer
John Obenour
1851
Edward Bortz
Emery
Samuel Falk
1852
Abraham Miller
John Rau
J. Mushlitz
Peter Wisser
Peter Bell
Barney McLarney
1853
Matthias Johnson
Conrad Hole
Edwin Mertz
n.a.
1854
Owen Kennedy
John G. Hasser
Peter Unangst
Charles McGinnis
John Lebbler
Elias Lintz
Daniel Mill
1855
John Roth
Jacob Stahl
n.a.
n.a.
n.a.
Burt
n.a.
1856
John Shay
James Murphy

Dedication of the Lehigh Valley Workers' Memorial monument on April 28, 1991. About 350 people attended the unveiling of the 2500-pound statue at the Bethlehem Rose Gardens, Bethlehem. Pennsylvania AFL-CIO President William George *(in the white coat)* led the ceremonies along with Lehigh Valley Workers' Memorial co-chairs Frances Polgar and Pete DePietro *(both standing alongside George)*. Standing directly behind DePietro is John Werkheiser, current chair of the Workers' Memorial committee.

Siegfried
Michael McCafferty
Daniel Freiderich
Adam Hanley
William Nunnemacher
Peter T. Hinkle
James Mack
William Sherry
George Howe
Henry Nevius
James Nesbitt
James Brady
Edward Melarky
John Melarky
1857
Abraham Frutchman
1858
Joel Fields
William Landers
1859
Isaiah Weiss
Thomas Morrison
1860
Edwin Newhard
John Eckert
Samuel Schaeff
William Grosh
Patrick McGowen
Ferdinand Schmidt
Patrick Collins
Gabriel Nolf
n.a.
Owen Hughes
John Sharkey
Solomon Gaumer
Thomas Melville
Francis Meichem
1862
James Hoyle
1863
Matthew Burk
Patrick Fitzpatrick
John Casey
n.a.
Reuben Frankenfield
n.a.

Peter Boice
William Kromer
J. R.
David Binder
Joseph Schoeneberger
Henry Scheirer
John J. Johnson
William Dorney

1864

Benjamin Swartz

1865

Lewis Holland
Wilson House
Philip Harris
Isaac Haggerty

1866

n.a.
Joseph Smith
John McClacken
William Depew
John Roe
Weisbacker
Alexander Miller
John Creier
Neal Malone
Clement Goodyear
n.a.
James Wiley
Henry Miller

1867

George Richards
Daniel Hennissey
Wilson Druckenmiller
Ritter
Sandt
Adam Ward
John Hager
David Shutz
James Gallagher
Jacob Bauer
Michael Dougherty
John K. Pittenger
n.a.
Pensnop
n.a.
Charles Weidner
Charles Smith
Edward Otto
n.a.
Henry Miller
Anthony Malone
Charles Heffley

1868

Charles Stearns
John Grouney
n.a.
Benjamin Coleman
William Devine
Henry Johnson
Kunkle
William Fleming
Daniel Sherlin
Striker
Reuben Kirkendall
Christian Unangst
John Hockman
Horn
Charles Steinmetz
George Marsden
Henry Marsden
Levi J. Van Auken
n.a.
n.a.
Theodore Kline
Ernst Rodman
Thomas Banford
Joseph Boyer
John Lynch
Isaac Dotts
William Andrews
Henry Beitler
n.a.
George Bissell
Peter Wilson
George Lewis
Walter Morris
Benjamin Mertz

1869

John Opdyke
Ruckel
William Chapman
Monroe Henry
Sheetz
Rahenkampf
A. Patterson
John Cook
Peter Shimer
Jacob Werkheiser
John Oren
n.a.
A.W. Berklebach
Jerry Sloan
Grier

1870

“ ”

“The employees on the road are not all to blame. . . . The superintendent and his associate officers have a great responsibility in their management and direction of the men under their charge. . . . We know of cases, where roads have been run with engines in poor condition, the men have been overworked, . . . instructions have been given for trains to hurry through, and they have hurried through even to the loss of life. . . . Whatever may be the condition of things, the responsibility on the officers of a road is great, and they need to exercise greater care in the future than they have in the past in this neighborhood.”

Easton Free Press, January 17, 1868

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“Tell my mother I have done all for her I could, and my last thoughts were of her.”

James E. Hagerman, a Lehigh Valley Railroad brakeman, uttered his last words to coworkers on April 29, 1874 near the Union Depot, South Bethlehem. According to the *Bethlehem Daily Times*, he “slipped from a box car … which passed over the upper portion of his body, crushing the collarbone and left shoulder, besides severing a number of arteries.” He provided sole support for his widowed mother.

William Volz
John Gorman
Joseph Sharpe
Henry Maybrey
Frank Horton
William Carlin
Reuben Coleman
Peter Sweeney
John Klemmer
Stephen Heckman
Willoughby Frantz
Jonas Nyce
Jacob Kuntzman
Felix Boyle

1871

McHugh
John Laubach
John Cooper
Joseph Betzenberger
Albert Knauss
Darius Weiss
Hampton Ward
William Hoyle
William Alexander
William L. Lentz
Samuel H. Young
James Kennedy
Shadel
n.a.
Michael Higgins
Fehnel
Rosa Hess
Jeremiah Koons

1872

Shelby Weaver
Abraham Yeakle
n.a.
William Brooker
John McClellan
Milton Brown
Andrew Mertz
Marcus Meyer
Franklin Weiss
William Jones
Frederick Wilt
Cyrus E. Moser
Samuel Adams
Edwin Stoltz
Josiah Scheip
John Hopkins
John Reilly
James Stein
John Farley
Henry Snyder
John Seidle
William Reifflager
Augustus Peffer
Joseph McKeever
John Bunstein
William Berger
Alfred Mebus
John McQuire
Phillip Cole
John McClean
Abraham Coleman
Hippolete Bankhardt
John H. Keiper
Joseph Baumgardner
Jacob Yates

1873

Oscar Lutz
John W. Roberts
Joseph Kern
Barney McGee
Daniel Lichtenwalter
Aaron Haldeman
Frederick Achenbach
n.a.
n.a.
Hugh McCall
Frederick Nall
Michael McDonnell
Weiss
William J. Williams
Herman Vreyvogel
James Reichard
William Lynn
Joseph Williams
Bisch
Henry F. Garis
Hoch

1874

Peter Hall
Tucker
George Gerlech
Alfred Tiley
William Zinzer
Andrew Bortz
Amandus Smith
Daniel Shenton
John C. Watson
Frantz Hoffman
Thomas Irving
John Bonner
Thomas Goughan
Jacob McGaraghaty
James Kennedy
John Scanlan
James E. Hagerman
Joseph Fritzinger
John Moyer
Quintus Seiner

Michael Kane
John Funk
Paul Schaffer
Jacob Paulus
William Newhard
Samuel O'Brian
Thomas Spengler
Israel Shuler
Charles Lacks
n.a.
Christain Gutekunst
John Dinan, Jr.
Franklin Mertz
Reuben Hunsicker

1875

Samuel Kieffer
John Craig
Bernard Flynn
Thomas Cope
Reuben Wait
Jacob R. Correll, Jr.

1876

John Rinker
Henry Serfass
Tilghman H. Trapp
Joseph Becker
Clayton H. Elliott
Alfred Diehl
Ezekiel Fritz
Samuel Hollowell
John Shook
Patrick Lucas

1877

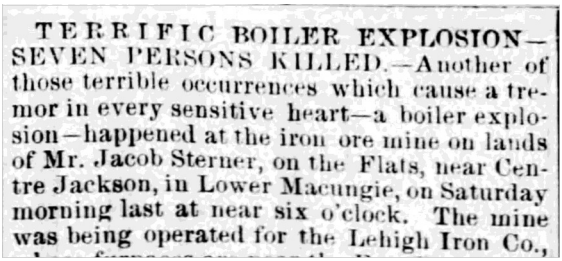
Thomas Fagan
Frank Raesley
Henry Hunsperger
Reese Lewis
Louis Engel
Henry Kichline
Charles Moyer
Jacob Vogel
Alonzo H. Rapp
Thomas Koch
William F. Broom
Jesse Smith
Aaron Miller
Owen Laub
Llewellyn Rupp
Milton Andreas
Henry Heimbach
Thomas Kehm
Victor Miller
Charles Mohr
Israel Rauenzahn
Josiah Hummer
William H. Whales
Henry Schaeffer
Jonathan Thornton
Thomas C. Reading
Oswald
Jesse H. Morgan
Owen Laub
Lewis Dotter
Victor Wolf
Monroe Sheetz
James O'Donnell
John Shutt

1878

Michael School
Edward Currigan
Irwin Clark
Clinton Mushlitz
Solomon Unger
Edward Mack
Isaac Eck
James Schneck
Jacob Fryer
William Rinert
Frank Kennel
Allen Smock
Moritz Geiger
Peter Cole
Jacob Kramer
Patrick McHugh
Luke Murphy
James Fisher
William Raub

1879

Lewis Wilhelm
William Stocker
Edward Dull
Henry Creitz
Jeannette E. Sechler
Robert Bowes
John Bowes
Edward Wetzell
Patrick Burt
Frank Fegely
John Smith
Morris Schmoyer
Frederick Ettinger
Benjamin Keck
Charles Derr
William Derr
William Stonebach
Jesse Rice
Joseph Frickert
August Heckensperger
Michael O'Herron
John Rupp



TERRIFIC BOILER EXPLOSION—SEVEN PERSONS KILLED.—Another of those terrible occurrences which cause a tremor in every sensitive heart—a boiler explosion—happened at the iron ore mine on lands of Mr. Jacob Sterner, on the Flats, near Centre Jackson, in Lower Macungie, on Saturday morning last at near six o'clock. The mine was being operated for the Lehigh Iron Co.,

Seven iron ore miners died on June 21, 1879 when their steam boiler exploded at the Lehigh Iron Co. mine in Lower Macungie Township. The same boiler burst two years earlier, killing eight miners. (*Credit*: Allentown Democrat, June 25, 1879)

By the numbers

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George Dull, age six, died on January 24, 1880 at the Saucon Iron Company, Hellertown. He represents the youngest worker known to have died in the Lehigh Valley. He attempted to ride a company work mule across train tracks that ran through the firm's property. According to the *Bethlehem Daily Times*, "he either had not sufficient control over the mule, being very young, or else he thought he could get across." A locomotive fatally struck Dull and the mule. Research to date has identified over 110 children, aged seventeen or younger, who died in Lehigh Valley workplace tragedies.

Charles Roessler
Christiana Wagner
William Kistler
Jonathan Haintz
William Brotzman
James A. Repp
Thomas B. Faust
William Michael
Milton Young
Charles McCue
Jonas Beltz

1880

George Dull
Ida Gessler
John Gumbert
Joseph C. H. Conner
Aaron Rau
Ella Smith
Watson Henry
n.a.
Matthias Schindler
John Hunsicker
John McCarty
Daniel Hale
Edward Grube
Eddie Knerr
Sylvester Knerr
C. Wesley Arnold
John Schmidt
Charles Grosh
Quintus Snyder
Peter A. Bauer
David Paul
James Flynn
John Kenealy
Henry Kuntz
William Smith
William Rohn
Martin Gauley
Frank Wallace

1881

Henry Johnson
Hugh Gallagher
James Harkins
Philip McCafferty
Michael Boyle
Peter Gallagher
Dennis McGee Jr.
Patrick McGee
Cornelius Ferry
Charles McCloskey
Hugh Harrity
James Roarity
Dennis Gallagher
John Schenk
Andrew Gallagher
David N. Belknap
Hugh Garis
Richard Norton
Patrick Farley
Lewis Smith
Henry Rabe
Edward Devers
Edwin A. Wertz
Benjamin Wertz
James Shutt
Osville Beigly
Reuben Young
John Eckert
Willie Smith
Reuben Transue
David Troxell
F. Rehpe
Samuel Groman
Samuel H. Nicholas
Edward F. Smith
James Miller

1882

Charles P. Jennings
John Williams
William Everard
Miss Smith
James Weaver
Charles Rehr
Thomas Corrigan
Hugh Sandt
Milton Pearson
William Schmauder
John McDowell
Eugene Huff
George P. Menning
Calvin Fry
Henry Walsh
Freeman Barleib
Thomas Morrison

1883

George Crade
Jesse Bright
Samuel McCandless
Eli Hunsberger
William Metzger
Henry E. Brown
Augustus T. Eberhard
Frank Rothenberger
James Size
William Ahrens
William Bloss
Samuel Roth

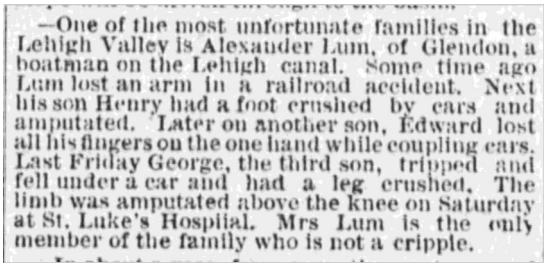
David Eisenhart
Charles McCauley
Franklin Waltman
Maurice Good
William Mack
John Schmidt
William Keefer
Joseph T. Breisch
Henry E. Haas
Robert Erwine
Samuel Riehl
Frank Howard
Augustus Kneller
Samuel Laubach
Augustus Rohrbach
Godfrey Wirebach
Stephen Snyder
David Lowry

1884

Jacob Heffner
Isaac Kramer
John Druckenbrode
Jacob Schott
Henry Hagen
Charles Miller
David Clauss
William J. Lehr
Mahlon Bitting
Amandas Boyer
Joseph Weidner
James Boyle
Alfred Muth
Andrew Hennessy
A. Douglas Packer
James Boyer
William Shoenenberger
n.a.
Thomas Finnessy
Abraham Billiard
Robert H. Thomas
Joseph Weidelich
John Wendling
Michael Piedert
Frank Rotta
Elmer Santee
William Goldring
Joseph Daily
John Fatzinger

1885

A.D. McLaughlin
Augustus Schweinbintz
John V. Thiess
Peter Farrell
Charles Spaid
Cyrus Christman
Henry Fenstermaker
Sylvester Smith
Joseph Stiles



—One of the most unfortunate families in the Lehigh Valley is Alexander Lum, of Glendon, a boatman on the Lehigh canal. Some time ago Lum lost an arm in a railroad accident. Next his son Henry had a foot crushed by cars and amputated. Later on another son, Edward lost all his fingers on the one hand while coupling cars. Last Friday George, the third son, tripped and fell under a car and had a leg crushed. The limb was amputated above the knee on Saturday at St. Luke's Hospital. Mrs Lum is the only member of the family who is not a cripple.

The Lum family of Glendon suffered multiple work accidents. Workplace accidents happened so frequently that some families were struck several times. The Lum family's three sons, Henry, Edward and George, all lost limbs to accidents after their father, Alexander, lost his arm in a railroad mishap. (*Credit*: Carbon Advocate, December 4, 1886)

1886

Matthias Becker
Charles McGinley
Thomas Moore
Peter Hower
John Moyer
Pleman B. Carey
William Lewis
Nero Weiss
John F. Wolf
Joseph Harris

1887

Aaron Weida
John E. Moser

1888

Simon Wolf
Frank Sterner
Henry Bohraus
Hiram L. Sell
William Stauffer
Jeremiah Reiss
Samuel Remaly
Henry P. Rau
Charles A. Gabler
Samuel Ehret
Jacob Volgar
John Howarth

1889

Irvin Crockett
Christianna Ueberroth
John McCann
Samuel Webb
Alfred Kiefer
Michael McDonnell
Benjamin Andreas
Levi H. Friend
C.L. Bennett
Allen D. Muth
George Murphy
Lewis Rayeur
Lewis Young
Alfred Rinker
John Schwartz
Michael Curry
Patrick Durnin
William E. Bogh

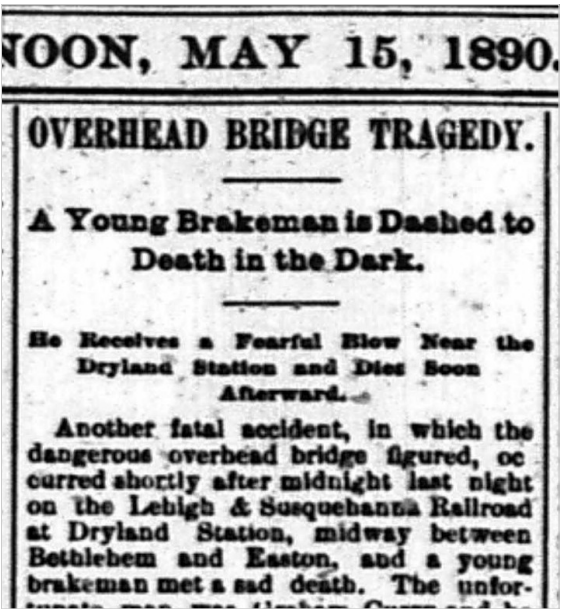
Frank Burger
Harry Hill
Benjamin F. Weaver
Jacob Bowers
Andrew Broughal
Monroe Music
Andrew Bronghal
Gustav Berg

1890

Eugene Stahlnecker
Abraham Jones
Evan Jones
Robert Somers
Hiram Greenawalt
Henry Saylor
James P. Frey
Jacob Crowe
John Funk
John A. Good
Charles E. Frick
Ulysses Everett
John Lodigiani
John Paff
John H. Graffin
David Ziegenfuss
Peter Lyons
John Dieter
Graham Curry
William Malloy
John Sutko
George Boone
William Burke
Edward Wieand
Augustus Beckendorf
Milton C. Peter
John Hardwick
Michael Dugan
Charles W. Oswald
Sassaman Hilbert
Henry Eppler
Charles Walbert
Samuel Arnold

1891

Martin Sterner
Daniel Laudenberger
Alfred D. Roland



NOON, MAY 15, 1890.

OVERHEAD BRIDGE TRAGEDY.

A Young Brakeman is Dashed to Death in the Dark.

He Receives a Fearful Blow Near the Dryland Station and Dies Soon Afterward.

Another fatal accident, in which the dangerous overhead bridge figured, occurred shortly after midnight last night on the Lehigh & Susquehanna Railroad at Dryland Station, midway between Bethlehem and Easton, and a young brakeman met a sad death. The unfor-

Graham Curry died soon after receiving "a fearful blow" on May 15, 1890 when the six-feet, four-inch tall brakeman for the Lehigh and Susquehanna Railroad, working atop the boxcars, "was struck by the overhead bridge" between Bethlehem and Easton." By the late-nineteenth century, a train brakeman had one of the most dangerous occupations in America. Only coal miners suffered more fatalities. (*Credit*: Bethlehem Daily Times, May 15, 1890)

James Roland
Alfred Rowland
James Rowland
Mack
Charles Wickham
Charles Snyder
Joel Handwerk
John H. Troxell
John Krtitvitz
Frank Wolf
William Schulte
James Rader
David James
Penrose Waltz
Andrew Broprestiskac
Jeremiah Hennessy
William Ubil
Robert Henry
John Shafer
Richard D. Leisenring
John Schafer
Monroe Lutz
Michael McGarvin
Edward J. Curran
Edward Spoonheimer
Ephraim Walters
John Moser
Michael Polsko
Thomas F. Arner
Oscar Heilman
Michael Lavelle
Owen Bortz

Charles Geary
Thomas Sweitzer

1892

Tilghman Yehl
William Berger
Alfred Schock
Francis Miller
Oscar Gruver
William Brey
Joshua Schultz
John Vogjiehoski
Albert Westerfelt
William Hulsizer
George R. Feaster
John McFadden
Martin Nichol
Harry B. Edelman
Baras John Gabar
Arthur Grath
Benjamin Acker
George B. Ream
Thomas Seltzer
Alvin Hofford
Lewis Palm
James McCarthy
Alfred Hoffert
Clinton Knecht
Charles Backus
Jordan Werkheiser
George Schisler
William Lum
Isaac Werkheiser
Edward Martin
Wickkiser
Lewis Winters
Frank Ordwide
Lewis A. Krum
Henry Weller
Frank Gaumer
Frederick Megenhardt
Annie M. Billiard
James A. Kistler
Penrose Rex

1893

Elmer P. Thornton
George W. Haas
Annie Adams
Sallie Hilliard
Harry Trainer
Hugh Brady
Alfred Degroot
Jacob Smery
William G. Camps
Michael McFadden
John Link
Paul Gambetta
John Hegley
Allen Hall
John Clooney
William Mack
Stejingart
Emil Birtch
Robert Drake
Joseph Miller
William Ott
John A. Nunnemacher
Thomas Baer
Joseph Ray
John Diehl
Enos W. Dorn
John Garis
Peter Kuffel
Reuben Rothermel
Charles Neidig
Eddie McGinley
Frank Kern
Charles Schlicher
Twenty
Richard Callen
Milton R. Gackenbach
Frank Angstadt
Edward Hildebrand
William H. Johnson

1894

Charles Haas
Patrick Connelly
William S. Carson
Francis Wherle
Sylvester Hillegas
John Weiss
Joseph Remaley
Samuel Creitz
Griffith O. Pritchard
John Valko
Miklos Bella
George Nickulinz
Michael Dolan
Morris Wagner
George Lowry
Thomas McCleary
John F. Lamberton
Peter F. Snyder
Adam Fehr
Joseph Bez
Albert Beaver
Elias Gable
Joseph Borney
James Ferry
James McCandless
William Wellert
Mrs. Thomas Rabenold
Nathaniel Bickel

“ ”

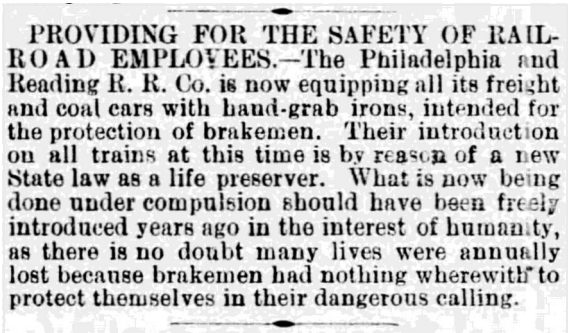
“I have visited a number of places . . . and in many of them saw sights which made me feel very sorry that I had no legal right to require changes. In one such place visited . . . I found a boy six-years-old, working around dangerous belting and machinery, and when I called the employer's attention to the violation of the law, his reply was 'he is too young to go to school.'”

Annie E. Leisenring, Pennsylvania Deputy Factory Inspector for the Lehigh Valley, in her annual report dated November 30, 1893.

John Herman
Henry Bachman
David Williams
Edward Daniels
Michael Cunningham
David R. Weaver
Christian Ruth
Daniel Sheckler
George Barber
David Dry

1895

Benjamin Minnich
Erwin Beck
John Mooney
Patrick Lynch
George Cross
Oscar Frantz
Jacob D. Leibensperger
John Davis
Isaac Miller
n.a.
n.a.
Cyrus Lilly
George H. Adams
Minnie Warne
Charles Eckley
George Fritchman
William Redline
Fred Brown
Harvey Falk
Frank Albert
John Schreck
Frank Bishop
Reuben Murren
Isaac Gennett
James Brown
Mildrom L. Conner
Lewis Yehl
Henry Gougler
John W. Henry
Linford Overpeck
William Overpeck
Charles Johnson
John Heist
Reuben Tyndall
John Henry
Charles Volkert
William Evans
William Border
Erastus Serfass
Walter Haas



PROVIDING FOR THE SAFETY OF RAILROAD EMPLOYEES.—The Philadelphia and Reading R. R. Co. is now equipping all its freight and coal cars with hand-grab irons, intended for the protection of brakemen. Their introduction on all trains at this time is by reason of a new State law as a life preserver. What is now being done under compulsion should have been freely introduced years ago in the interest of humanity, as there is no doubt many lives were annually lost because brakemen had nothing wherewith to protect themselves in their dangerous calling.

Harrisburg lawmakers forced the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad to install handrails on their trains beginning in 1895. "What is now being done under compulsion should have been freely introduced years ago … as there is no doubt many lives were annually lost because brakeman had nothing wherewith to protect themselves in their dangerous calling," declared the *Allentown Democrat* on December 4, 1895.

1896

Charles Faust
Alvin P. Snyder
John B. Christine
Levi Werst
George J. Klein
Archibald Pascoe
Jacob Dell
John Weiss
Charles Brensinger
Laurence Fitzgerald
John Walla
George Luktze
David L. Davis
Herman Seifert
Cyrus Moser
Arthur Kane
Joseph Barnet
Joseph Woodring
John S. Harrison
Jennie Levan
George Wetzell
W.A. Stroud
John Savage Graff
Wesley Straub
Jacob Druckenmiller
Antonio Mondefusco
Peter Merkle
William Shellhammer
John Griffith
Joseph Schmidt
Alfred Neff
Frank Stuber
William Muschlitz
Lawrence J. Ware

1897

Martin Sultz
Evan Jones
Pearson Frey
John Seltzer
William Eselbey
William H. Gray
Lewis Fay
Ralph Reed
George D. Fusselman
Oliver A. Krum

William Snyder
James J. Conlin
Henry Wolf
Welsh
James P. Frederick
Owen Shoemaker
Daniel Heimbach
Henry Sponheimer
Antonio Ronco
Allen Eichelberger
Harvey Eck
Charles Kunkle
Ed Moore
John Arnold
Levin Breisch
James Mooney
Alfred Sittler
Samuel Lewis
Wilson Kern
Mary Duffy
Lewis Dankle
John Morgan
Oliver Nicholas

1898

John Bellis
Mike Shanko
Fritz Scheifer
Charles Reinert
Albert Wildman
Charles W. Baird
Samuel G. Wentzel
Charles Streator
Amandus Breyfogle
Erasmus Fatzinger
Aaron Hower
William Eberhart
John E. Shaffer
Jacob J. Reinhard
Oscar Reinhard
Morris Drey
Frank Eidle
Wilson P. Saurwine
Michael Wasserman
Richard McHale
Charles W. Ebner
Jacob Bauer

By the numbers

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Maggie Guth worked as a domestic at the Cedarville Hotel, in South Whitehall Township when she was fatally shot on March 3, 1899. The assailant also shot hotel owner Owen Kern, who died on March 18. The Lehigh Valley Workers' Memorial has documented nearly forty workplace deaths due to gun violence. (*Credit*: *Allentown Democrat*, March 15, 1899)

Samuel Labold
Clinton Rufe
Marcus Eichler
Charles Bitting
Edward Finn
Henry Bard
Jacob Engleman
J. C. McGregor
John McNally
Sylvester Albright
George Smith
Griffith Davis

1899

Walter E. Savitz
C.W. Weaver
Harvey H. Wurster
Samuel Laub
Jacob F. Ruth
Samuel Remaley
Edward J. Campbell
Charles Jones
William Brown
Eugene Allender
Patrick Toohey
Daniel O'Connell
Maggie Guth
Edward Rishel
Hugh Donahue
Henry Decker
Owen O. Kern
Melville Weikel
Harvey H. Stein

Edward H. Harding
Joseph German
Andrew Bertock
John Cheh
Lewis King
John Weaver
John Bealer
Robert Snyder
Jacob Schaffer
Ammon Beers
Frederick Wagner
William King
Molaski
George Andreas
John P. Cantwell
Curtis Brader
Charles Neff
Orem Colbach
John Pisco
James W. Snyder
Samuel J. Reed
William Lloyd
Van Steuben
James Gallagher, Jr.
Giovannia Chiarchiaro
Salvatore Polizi
Watkins Morris
Alfred E. Townsend
Henry H. Trumbore
Albert Heimbach
Ira Ebner
Edward Benninger

William Fritzinger
Robert Miller
Henry J. Roth
Richard Stanley
Lewis L. Young
William Bechtel
Edwin H. Frantz
Harrison Arner
Fred Litner
Charles McIntyre
Edward Burdette
John Tomville
Harry Moll
Daniel McElroy
William Baer
Allen Schneck
John Schwager
Erasmus Bear
John Howard
Frederick S. Yeomans
W.H. Smith
Thomas Heath
John O. Parsons
Raphael Merino
Elias Strohl
Vincent Ryman

1900

John Kovatz
Louis B. Fredman
Andrew Kilpatrick
Lewis Dahlber
Samuel Kern
Lyman Mock
Charles Lehman
Elias Leabolt
Edward J. McGinley
Aaron S. Scott
Joseph Geiger
Moses Jones
A. P. Stone
Charles Stout
Benjamin Gabel
John Sterner
Samuel D. Cortright
William Lantz
William Griffith
Adam B. Frederick
William Shingler
Michael McNally
Silas Solomon
William E. Illick
Hugh Trimble
John McLaughlin
Lewis F. Miller
Reuben Jacoby
Charles Roth
William Everett
George Weisel
Charles McHugh
Giovannia Vecchi
Henry Cressman
Harry Schreiber
Francis Murphy
Frank Bratch
George Bowers
Duncan Herbert Sell
Cyrus Laubach
Michael Zerko
Jeremiah Thomas
Jacob Focht
Raymond T. Henninger
Michael Feder
Henry Hunsicker
William Brong
William H. Miller
Joseph Edelman
Martin Jacobek
John Kruzer
Charles Shoemaker
Lewis Falk
George Faulkner
George Manning
Frank Hess
Charles Brode
Clinton Kohler
Joe Scarbok
Albert Fritzinger
Sylvester E. Heist
John Campbell
Edwin H. Lentz
Joseph Newhart
Charles W. Saeger
Herman Marks
Charles H. Moyer
Joseph T. Marrett
Frank Shaffer
Richard Edwards
John Lee
Andrew J. Herbert
William Miller
John L. Staples
Thomas Buckland
Thomas Middaugh
Katie Wert
Oliver J. Webb
Allen L. O'Brien
Alvin J. Hoffert
John Stitcher
Jacob Graver
James McConnell
Lucas Brinsaz
Henry Heiser
Lewis A. Queen
Martin Gutekunst

1901

Hugh J. Williams
James Ackerman
Sigmund Renz
Charles Scheckley
William Grieff
Charles Hoodmacher
William Watkins
Thomas Warner
George W. Quier
James G. Roberts
Pali Worha
Herman Wildenberg
Oliver C. Laubach

Details regarding each workplace fatality can be found at: **www.lehighvalleyclc.org**.

The Lehigh Valley's Top Ten Industrial Accidents

(as of April 2023)

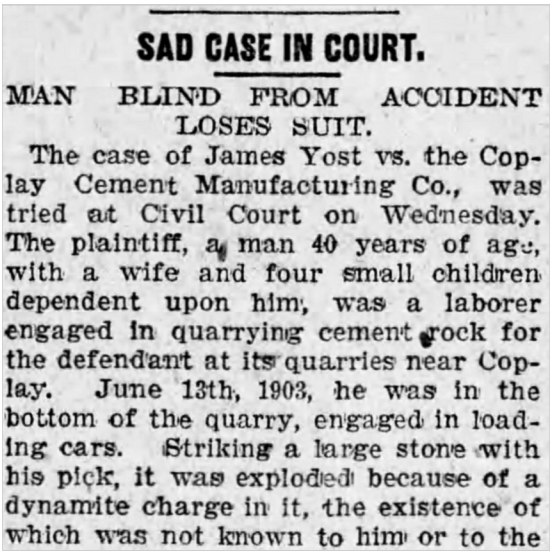
March 26, 1942 Lehigh Portland Cement - 31 killed
premature dynamite explosion
January 6, 1881 Allentown Rolling Mill - 14 killed
boiler explosion
August 17, 1905 Lehigh Portland Cement - 11 killed
landslide
July 14, 1877 Lehigh Iron Ore Mine - 8 killed
boiler explosion
June 2, 1910 Coplay Cement - 8 killed
premature dynamite explosion
October 18, 1945 Bethlehem Steel - 8 killed
toxic gas leak
June 21, 1879 Lehigh Iron Ore Mine - 7 killed
boiler explosion
April 13, 1910 Nazareth Portland Cement - 7 killed
premature dynamite explosion
April 19, 1920 Lehigh Portland Cement - 7 killed
premature dynamite explosion
April 25, 1890 Unicorn Silk Mill - 6 killed
fire
March 2, 1894 Williams & Son Slate - 6 killed
cave in
March 24, 1948 Bethlehem Steel - 6 killed
blast furnace spill
February 11, 1959 Ingersoll-Rand - 6 killed
compressor explosion

Albert Florey
Thomas Jenkins
Lyman Chase
Alfred Lilly
Henry Richards
William Seagreaves
Pergelvo Gentili
Felix O. Botts
Samuel H. Rutman
Harry Detweiler
Milton A. Harmony
J. D. Burke
Peter Quinn
Clement Francis
Joseph Orovics
George B. Hoodmacher
John Pierson
Sylvester Miller
Harry Roberts
Adam Siegfried
James Will
John Jones
Thomas F. Higgins
Frederick Moore
Henry Fromhartz
Walter S. Trexler
Clinton A. Young
William K. Deisher
Lewis Trader
John Gilroy
Howard L. Billick
Andrew Suhetsky
Frank Shengo
Samuel Brinker
Wesley R. Apgar
Herbert Gilbert
John P. McIntyre
John Giva
Charles A. Repp
Frank McInerney
Peter A. Funk
Frank Wilson
John Giffert
Milton Miller
Frank Hersh
Colorado Long
William Sigman
George H. Ulrich
Frederick Boyer
Michael Fehnel
Domminie Legobitti
Hugh Jones
Hugh Gallagher
Thomas Leonard
Robert Roberts
William W. Best
Charles Short

1902

John Keast
Frederick Henshaw
Joseph Hess
Leopold Meyers
Elmer Arner
James Jomo
Joseph Brunner
James Oilershaw
n.a.
Lewis Vansyckle
Otto Labalbo
John Peterson
Charles Gischel, Sr.
John Lagle
Harry Flick
Frank Dereamer
Walter Bonstein
Julius Wagner
Noble Wallace
Hugh Roberts
William Bidden
John Moser

Nellie Reph
Harvey T. Miller
Howard Leibengood
Joseph Sik
Edward Steigerwalt
Samuel F. Feril
John Feyrer
David Terry
John Young
Lawrence Shimer
Daniel Gallagher
John Sterner
Michael Corpari
Salovanna LaRossa
Joseph Hezicka
William Roberts
Charles K. Wilson
Allen Sigafoos
Edwin Dietrich
Michael Konradt
Charles Edwards
John Russo
Dominik Caesari
Aaron Mest
Frank Schroth
David H. Kline
Charles A. Edgerton
Wassie Kurk
Menecondono Francisco
Irvin Painter



SAD CASE IN COURT.

MAN BLIND FROM ACCIDENT LOSES SUIT.

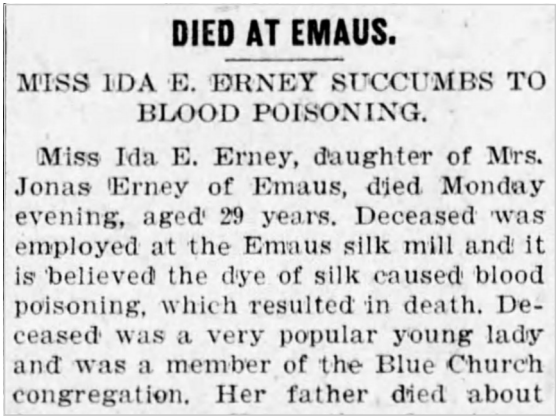
The case of James Yost vs. the Coplay Cement Manufacturing Co., was tried at Civil Court on Wednesday. The plaintiff, a man 40 years of age, with a wife and four small children dependent upon him, was a laborer engaged in quarrying cement rock for the defendant at its quarries near Coplay. June 13th, 1903, he was in the bottom of the quarry, engaged in loading cars. Striking a large stone with his pick, it was exploded because of a dynamite charge in it, the existence of which was not known to him or to the

Lehigh County Court denied injury compensation to James Yost in January 1904. The Coplay Cement Co. directed the forty-year old father of four children to load rock into quarry cars on June 13, 1903. He struck a large stone with his pick. Unknown to him, an unexploded charge from blasting done a week earlier remained in the rock. When his pick hit the stone it exploded "and many small pieces of rock were thrown into his face, completely blinding him, so that he lost the sight of both eyes." The cement company claimed it was unaware of the unexploded dynamite and the court dismissed the case. (*Credit*: Allentown Daily Leader, January 28, 1904)

William E. Clarke
James S. Urffer
William Parsons
Howard W. Haas
John Yansic
Oscar Bartholomew
James F. Treichler
Alvin Swoyer
William H. Musselman
Virginia Sterner
Frank Curtis
Patrick Jeremiah
n.a.
Charles H. Conover
Peter E. Minnich
George A. Kreitz
Oliver Wolf
Dennis Connell
Andrew Yorchuskia
Farrence Stanishes
Elias O. Helwig
Charles F. Gehman
Robert B. Ward
Frederick Hindennach
George Peters
Harvey Blose

1903

William Pierson
Joseph Corey
Edwin V. Schwartz
John Sordner
Edward Hill
Thomas Lloyd
Charles E. Worman
John Donko
David Johnson
Benjamin Wright
Wallace Ginder
George T. Schaffer
Charles Free
John H. Tomlinson
William Heffner
John Danner
James Crotty
James Schunk
Edward Phillips



DIED AT EMAUS.

MISS IDA E. ERNEY SUCCUMBS TO BLOOD POISONING.

Miss Ida E. Erney, daughter of Mrs. Jonas Erney of Emaus, died Monday evening, aged 29 years. Deceased was employed at the Emaus silk mill and it is believed the dye of silk caused blood poisoning, which resulted in death. Deceased was a very popular young lady and was a member of the Blue Church congregation. Her father died about

Ida E. Erney died on June 27, 1904. In an unusual announcement, her obituary stated "it is believed the dye of silk caused blood poisoning." She worked at the Emmaus Silk Co. and had been reportedly ill for three months. (*Credit*: Allentown Daily Leader, June 28, 1904)

Edgar A. Radner
Charles H. Cortright
Dauta Sofak
Jacob Stover
Alfred Johnson
Henry Reist
Cornelius Reitenauer
M.K. Thomas
Elmer Weaver
Gazzanno Grochrono
Robert Fatzinger
Edward Smith
Paul Barrough
Charles Hersh
Isaac Klinick
Anton Reinfeld
n.a.
Ira Cook
Isaac Woodruff
Albert J. Crist
Chester A. Leidy
Frederick J. Mohr
George B. Mell
Antonio Conselo
Adam Steif
John Cork

Arthur W. Epler
John D. Bechtel
William Jacoby
John Horn
Harry Korp
Edwin H. Hildebrant
Frederick Hartranft
John Carlan
Daniel Depew
Rafael Scasserra
Ellen Lempenfield
Benjamin Reinhard
George Kindt
Jacob Turner
Manus Coyle
Joseph Pisutello
Samuel Ebert
Franklin T. Coleman
Enos Hartman
Dunko Stopple
Levi Hendershot
Angelo Mageri
John B. Schiffert
William Schiffert
Howard Schaffer
Pasquale Petrillo

James Gombert
John Grabaski
John Raines
John Kichline

1904

Wilson Conrad
Frank Hontz
Abraham Steinberger
Joseph Hipp
Edward S. Laub
William Grubb
Milton E. Feather
Valentine Minnich
Frederick N. Mummy
Francis Wagner
Robert Warner
Charles Herbert
William Worman
Amandus Snyder
Charles Kinsey
James A. Krick
Michael Pedro
Depue Ace
Martin Zelkey
Nicholas Cappone
Charles Schmeltzly
Frank Kuder
John Howarth
Isaac Carney
Mary Sturgeon
Asa Y. Miller
Jacob Freed
Benjamin C. Riegel
Charles R. Stroh
Michael Witman
Robert G. Beidelman
John Brannon
Lewis Rothrock
Joseph Groman
S. Smith
Sabastian Ancal
Ida E. Erney
Richard J. Titus
Leidy Stamets
Mahlon R. Deisher
Samuel Mitchell

James Burke
Charles Szeiag
Steve Banco
Harry Baier
Charles A. Gies
Stephen Serisovsky
Ellis R. Davis
Dominico Armosti
Joseph Kurtz
Joseph Kauka
Christian Unger
Joseph Pagotti
Edward Keiper
Naaman Kressler
William Wisser
Simon Luksa
Edward Rupert
William Zink

1905

John Trazaska
Charles Schaffer
Joseph Boyle
Charles Schaffer
John W. Feist
William H. Campbell
Stephen Gladys
Elmer Codrick
Oscar Stein
Harry Dillon
James Lichtenwalner
Joseph Strizki
Frank Dieber
William Hamlin
Cornelius Hartigan
Charles Ruff
Allen Stauffer
William W. Barkman
Matthias Roth
Charles Remaley
Ike S. Addy
William H. Knauss
Marcus H. Trauger
Cleveland F. Kindt
John Powell
Kallman Valler
Robert Phifer

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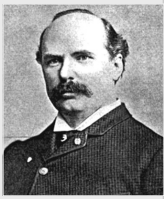
“Beneath the roofs of iron mills and furnaces … the slaughter of employees is a … daily occurrence. In some of the largest of these mills, the temporary morgue seems to be as necessary … as the stock house or the business office, and human life … is the cheapest of all raw materials.”



John C. Delaney, Pennsylvania Chief Factory Inspector, 1905 Factory Inspector's Annual Report.

John Vosky
George Koch
Joe Gress
Mikro Kuritz
Frantz Schmidt
Frank Frehauf
W. Asher Bush
Charles Schrecher
Paul Andro
John Augenisto
Griffith Owen
Mason S. Mutchler
Joseph Handler
Edward Fritzinger
Andrew Terwilliger
Henry R. Segner
Wesel Sokow
William Smith
Harrison Heard
Amos Marx
John McFadden
Andrew Miske
William H. Brown
Steve Suble
John Colanko
Mike Pupp
Peter Pupp
George Gogeles
Paul Andrewvich
Charles Fieldershot
Charles Yahokash
Steve Rocher

Mike Yaramay
Stephen Ballitzer
Geraldo Sincola
Victor Kocher
George Wagner
John Gorsha
Walter B. Curley
John Koszt
Valentine Wagner
Samuel J. Lawrence
William Tracy
George Billiard
Michael Bullyock
William Kohler
Joseph Disch
Jeffrey O. Pritchard
Michael Hongora
Matyas Rezmer
William R. Hartzell
John Mezzarano
George Rosenberger
Edward H. Lehr
Charles A. Gerstlauer
John H. Snyder
Harry Hartman
Harry McCauley
William Ellsworth
William H. Mohr
Albert E. Tilley

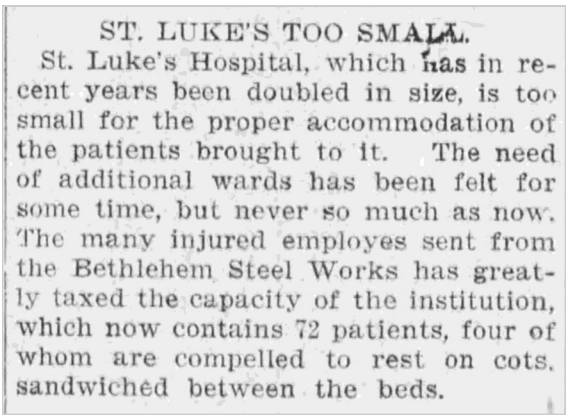
1906

William J. Latschaw
Samuel J. Cunningham

Robert Berger
Maytas Santo
Louis Yonni
John Silvak
William F. Patterson
Richard Schaeffer
Charles Hontz
William Ressler
Greeley Smith
Frank Stern
Louis Lederer
Joseph Brocsal
John Binder
Peter Oswald
John Bolshi
Elmer E. Strawn
Edward Edwards
Michael Pepero
Antonio Pepero
Albert Bennicuff
Joseph Donesecs
Harry H. Hughes
William H. Reese
John Williams
Steve Dudhar
Frank Dwyer
Michael Dubosh
John Gallagher
Paul Benko
Norman Haldeman
John Gallagher
Peter Kochen
James Keating
Alvin H. Eichelberger
Anton Bower
Sandor Kransicz
Michael Shallag
Frank Appel
Mark Talkocs
Lloyd Roth
Louis Repunky
Charles Swivel
Daniel Gaffney
Anthony Dober
John Bleiler
Granville H.G. Rennig
John Waghi
Mike Babirak
John L. Muffley
Floyd Butz
John Torr
Tony Selydo
Joseph Szildari
James L. McClafferty
Reuben G. Gross
Franklin Derhammer
John Esser
John Gallagher
Emery Throdman
Daniel Coll
John Novak
Edward Brick
Paul Plachi
Samuel Daubenspeck
Jacob Hoch
Joseph Heimer
Samuel Barrington
Sylvester Schmoyer
Michael Wavrek
James P. Baer
Frank Moyer
Andrew H. Vost
Moses Hannan
Edwin L. Cartwright
Osborne Williams
Harvey Nunamaker
Owen W. Jones
William Seifert
Duncan McClellan
Charles Jones
Menno Smith
Michael Burnoski

1907

Yanos Andrlyeck
M.P. Yonmans
Thomas Fitzgerald
Stephen Dankel
Charles Pfister
Charles M. Stein
John Knoblich
Elmer Cain
Raymond Schrader
Joseph Doska
George S. Peters
John Kovatch
Joseph Napa
Silas H. Burke
Henry E. Stauffer



ST. LUKE'S TOO SMALL.

St. Luke's Hospital, which has in recent years been doubled in size, is too small for the proper accommodation of the patients brought to it. The need of additional wards has been felt for some time, but never so much as now. The many injured employes sent from the Bethlehem Steel Works has greatly taxed the capacity of the institution, which now contains 72 patients, four of whom are compelled to rest on cots, sandwiched between the beds.

St. Luke's Hospital, Fountain Hill had to expand at the turn of the last century because "the many injured employees sent from the Bethlehem Steel Works has greatly taxed the capacity of the institution," wrote the *Allentown Daily Leader*, April 23, 1906.

Joseph Nagy
Alexander Welleno
William Meshler
George Caffey
Andro Semditz
James Hopkins
Stephen Mulitsch
John Parry
Ralph T. Sowden
Tobias Wagner
J. Dallas Beck
Morris Dry
Ignatz Kettle
John Haggerty
Morris Lynn
Carl Mikus
James Trexler
Horace E. Fogel
John Eltringham
Anton Holoda
Petro Garmazich
Charles Barnovitz
Fedor Paulirkovitz
William Arbogast
Edwin Meredith
Camino Zizzo
William Fleming
Hugh Gillen
Patrick J. Burns
John Kresko
Charles Vinn
Barnico Holanchi
Daniel Bunnel
Martin Tazal
William H. Gwinner
Oscar E. Scheffy
Ferencz Kollowar
Rudolph Nuss
Weston Gross
Harry J. Marsh
William Dorney
Howard F. Bailer
William H. Wachter
Cornelius Keefe
Micsander Bajouk
Stephen Miller

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"'Within three months almost the lives of 20 quarry men have been destroyed in three accidents in this section. . . . the cement and other quarrying companies in this great cement section owe it to their thousands of employees to investigate and study these accidents and prevent their repetition. . . . Twenty deaths in three months is not average mortality. It is ignorant brutality and butchery."

Allentown Morning Call Op-Ed, July 20, 1910. A local state representative introduced a bill to establish quarry inspectors. The measure never reached the governor's desk.

Joseph Mandel
John Streik
Joseph Javi
Harvey Fenstermaker
Frank Novak
Frank R. Jones
George Reed
Michael Hollum
John McCaque
John Scheirer
Charles W. Snyder
Uber Armitskee
Nelson McDade
John Remaley
George Shuman
Leidy Miller
Stephen Yonces
Frank Telcvo
John Wolf, Jr.
Layos Kanton
Gabor Erdei
Bartolimi Antonino
Joseph Fisher
Edgar Peffer
Irwin Schoenly
Michael Auer, Sr.
John Ruch
George Supera
James Cane
Joseph Notch
Edward J. Miller

Peter Toth
George Lear
Charles Cann
Frank Fisher
Charles A. Bower
Tony Arlotta
n.a.
Abel H. Ebert
Charles Laudenslager
Elmer Schoedler
John Stenak
Allen Walters
Calvin Frederick
Francis Matula
Simon Pollominsky
John Gyrus
William Leidy
James Shields
Eugene Rohrbach
George Kreicher
Charles Stanley
John Ellicott
Thomas P. Traynor

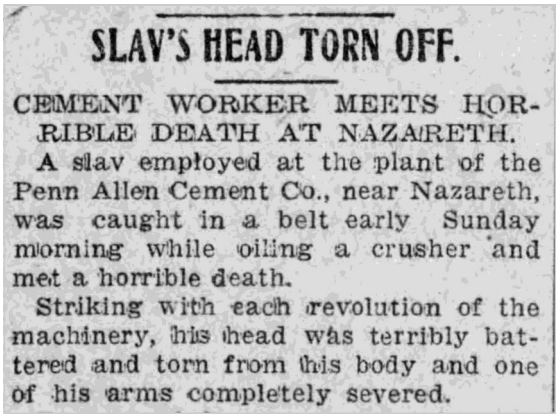
1908

John Krancyeos
John Simonka
Hiram Andrews
Tony
William Rader
Calvin O. Fenstermaker
Michael Knittle

Edward P. McGonigle
William Bolig
Stephen Dursticki
James Marstella
Charles Albright
James Jones
Charles Barndt
Santo Filliams
Wesley Rutt
William Comer
Charles A. Reger
William D. Jones
William H. Mutchler
James Harwarth
Charles Doncetz
James R. Hull
John Summer
Michael Szewosuk
Michael Selenco
Howard Scholl
Mike Gossler
Casper H. Ritter
Frank Neiman
Herman F. Perleburg
George Fritz
Owen Parry
Mike Lesher
Oliver Wick
Henry J. Schmidt
Saxon A. Scheirer
Nicholas Rosetto
Jesse Hausman Sr.
Lewis Evangelista
Harry G. Stiles
Oliver Smith
Anton Fisher
Peter J. Hoffman
Kurt Reichard
Delia Strouse
Edward Daniel
William F. Wehrle
George E. Boehm
Victor M. Heffelfinger

1909

Harvey Scherer
Michael Kost



SLAV'S HEAD TORN OFF.

CEMENT WORKER MEETS HORRIBLE DEATH AT NAZARETH.

A slav employed at the plant of the Penn Allen Cement Co., near Nazareth, was caught in a belt early Sunday morning while oiling a crusher and met a horrible death.

Striking with each revolution of the machinery, his head was terribly battered and torn from his body and one of his arms completely severed.

Known only by his first name Mike, the eastern European immigrant "met a horrible death" on November 27, 1910 at the Penn Allen Cement Company, near Nazareth, according to the November 28, 1910 *Allentown Daily Leader*. Many unnamed immigrants at the turn of the last century suffered similar fates in our area's quarries, rail yards, and iron mills. The "n.a." listing found in this booklet signifies that the worker's name may never be known.

Stanislaus Mashka
Rudolph Ressel
Chester J.F. Gehringer
Martin Desch
William H. Lutz
Adrian Bladinus
Alfred Ashley
William H. Lutz
Joseph Simon
William F. Leh
George F. Missimer
Frank Kratzer
Ivan Zsalig
Ralph A. Koch
Elmer E. Freyling
James A. Lantz
Joseph Sterling
Frank Makas
James W. Rohenberger
Frederick Cott
Karl Lynn
David Eck
Owen Rice
Silas A. Lentz
Frank Chespot Goodman
John Wagner
John Leitgeb
Enos Sandt
Gynia Prombitas
Adam Steif
Joseph A. Free
n.a.
John H. Eyke
Robert F. Huber
William Ettinger
Silas Hess
Andrew Pyestka
Joseph Molnar
Grant Rose
Joseph Confalone
Jacob Gulage
Henry Gross
John Deutsch
Charles O'Donnell
Samuel Kane
Peter Young

Teachers Special train wreck, 1911. Four railway employees and eight passengers died in a Pennsylvania Railroad derailment near Martins Creek on April 29, 1911. According to the *Easton Express*, the train carried dozens of school teachers on an excursion from Utica, New York to Washington, DC. The wooden passenger cars caught on fire after rolling down an embankment, fatally burning the victims. (*Credit*: Library of Congress)

Nathan Moyer
Patrick McHugh
Peter Coster
Edward Herline
Charles Mason
John Leskoun
Michael Namett
Cornelius F. Moyer
Richard Behan
Moses Kerkovitsch
William H. Green
Joseph Cser
Ellwood T. Shiffert
Arthur Runkle
Elias Knopf
Fred Robson
John Machiko

1910

John Radvanska
Stephen Szikwicz
Paul Gresh
William Harris
Israel Oliver Doll
Ralph P. Fisher
James J. Johnston
Earl Shelly
Joseph Schmeltzle
William Welsh
William Bamford
Lewis Miller
Sylvester T. Young
William Dixon
Alphonso Delusia
Willis Burnell
William Nolan
James P. Moyer
Minnie Knise
Ruth E. Maxwell
Howard Levan
Joseph Bolas
Michael Isowskia
John Koaba
n.a.
n.a.
n.a.
n.a.
Charles Solt
John Zmalonia
Daniel Evans
Andrew Kovach
Charles Saeger
Daniel J. Cannon
Frank Vrabel
Andrew Gerula
John Gerula
Steve Gontkovisch
Mike Gurkovich
John Ilko
Mike Lolic
John D. Krause
Willis Mosser
Paul Widconkawitch
Philip Millconkawitch
Joseph Tonhauzyer
Stansilus Guerba
n.a.
Arthur A.E. Stein
John Dobosh
James Mills
Edward Nelson
John E. Stuber
Samuel Grettzo
Angil Balabi
Stephen Lazar
John Chonash
Edgar Sechler
Charles Babp
Roy Buschick
James Ehrig
Joe Minereal
William Timnoche
George Sposciti
Joseph Bobics
Barholt Nichallis
James Conarty
Charles Kandl
Joseph Divinski
Harry Heffler
John J. Jones
Frank
William Pettit
John Kallamar
Albert Roberts
Henry Ritter

Joseph Storm
Mike Bibdie
Charles Drumheiser
Harvey Kruger
Arthur Rhymer
William H. Miller
Eugene F. Scholl
John Andreta
John Duckworth
Russell Butler
Ladislaw Haczkewicz
Christian Karl
n.a.

1911

Manoly Karandemis
Edward S. Burger
George Miller
Milton Rice
n.a.
William H. Kise
Joseph Spry
Lewis Smith
Fred Danzer
William Vogel
Fred Weida
Percy Kuntz
John Mumford
Frank Holitz
Milton F. Knadler, Sr.
Frederick Petzhold
Russell C. Bitzer
John Brukosh, Jr.
Paul Shurena
James Dunleavy
Charles Miers
John Santo
Michael J. Conroy
John J. Diehl
Elizabeth Robinson
Paul Bosorci
William H. Acker
Alexander Nagy
David Williams
Larmonie Hdegardo
Adam Sell
Jefferson Fisher
Charles W. Person
Walter R. Vanney
James Bricknell
Harry Wilmer
William Ziegenfuss
Weston Ditterleiner
Daniel A. George
Oscar W. Miller
Andrew Linnet
Wilson Dotterer
John Gulkevcs
Henry O. Kern
Harry W. Bowersox
Louis Balgan
George Dannecker
Manolis Kelandzsiks
John Simonchek
James Radline
Harry Noll
James Mealing
James Schoener
Joseph Horwath
Andrew Stephano
Michael Dugan
Joseph Kringel
John Mulslansick
John Slaker
Michael Nesencs
Henry Zentner
Steven Hurbeneck
James A. Handwerk
Frederick Sternberger
Michael Nyitray
Frank Kollar
Ambrose Heim
Thomas McFadden
John A. Ayer
Lewis Hughes
Paul Siskuleck
Amandus Thomas
George Glavino
Jacob Damyon
Cornelius McGrath

1912

Walter F. Mowry
Ratz Patrigon
Alex Yohe
Levi Ruhf
Istvan Stephen Leber
H.D. Sheckler
Frank Stout
Edward Lucas
Paul Nugy
Charles Riboskosky
Alexander Markowski
James McLaughlin
Milton Hilficker
Samuel Chamberlain
Catherine Gillespie
Stephen Scarlock
Adolph Weinberg
John Mirando
Thomas Martin
Charles Namet
George L. Miller
Jacob Stefanek

"..."

"Henry and I had planned many things for her and I don't doubt that he was planning something new and good when he was killed. I shall try, with God's help, to carry out our plans."

Mary Woeppel, mother of seven children, described the plans she and her husband had for their newborn daughter after receiving the news that her husband had suffered a fatal accident on July 27, 1913 on the Lehigh Valley Railroad. (*Credit:* Allentown Democrat, July 29, 1913)

Joseph Cigore
Anthony Krain
Stephen Bokaar
Stephen Horwath
Stephen Warhar
George Abel
Oliver F. Betz
Francisco Reubano
Al Shandler
Louis Kulener
Martin Fendel
John Dutko
Richard Dugan
John H. Hillegass
Charles Kirsh
Joseph Korpics
Walter Heimbach
Wilson Flick
Dennis Zellner
Thomas Christ
Benjamin Newhard
James McGovern
Alexander Guthe
Michael Kane
John Zimmerbor
John H. McCarthy
Michael Hiluta
Louis Bellet Erdelyecz
Thomas Tunor
Joseph J. Stryker
Clarence Wolf
Kasper Mackus
Peter Philip

1913

Gregori Taunini
Joseph Zeigler
David F. Eck
Tony Gatz
Mike Crabitsch
William Reichard
Peter LaBarre
William Reichard
Wasil Carofage
Lewis Kerner
Pierce Bartholomew
George Zamovich

Globe.

1914—TWELVE PAGES.

BURNED TO DEATH WITH MOLTEN METAL

FOREIGNER LOSING PRESENCE OF MIND INSTANTLY CHARRED TO CRISP.

Frightened By Flaming Foundry Facing Michael Markos Leaps to Death. Molten Iron Strikes Every Portion of Body — Remains Not Recognizable.

Michael Mankos, a foreigner, 24 years old, yesterday at 2.30 p. m. met a horrible death when he was burnt nearly to a crips by hot metal, while at work in the iron foundry of the Bethlehem Steel Works. His remains were almost unrecognizable when take-

Michael Mankos, a twenty-four year old Hungarian immigrant, "met a horrible death when he was burnt nearly to a crisp by hot metal" at the Bethlehem Steel Iron Foundry. Many eastern European immigrants came to America unfamiliar with the extreme dangers of a steel plant. (*Credit:* Bethlehem Globe, April 21, 1914)

Charles Hilberg
Willis L. Raub
Frank Soader
John Kiss
John Sanders
John Sorosky
Thomas Hughes
Steve Polavecs
Howard Stroble
Tony Moses
Francis Sieberhan
Pera Gayganski
John Toron
John Calase
John P. McCarron
Oscar A. Buss
Wellington Haag
Frank D. Bartholomew
Howard Walters
Jacob Martan
John Muhr
Stephen Crobonic
Henry L. Woeppel
George Barney
Frank Gillespie
Howard W. Smith
Frank Groller
John Buryta
Rudolph Benewald
James F. Jacoby
Charles Wellert
Sandor Luzu
Charles Heiney
Edward Wetzel
Phillip Walsh
Little John
Henry Goetz
Paul Hancsarik
John Otaviana
Frank T. Pick
Kuz Zwarycz
Patrick F. Tray
August Tykale

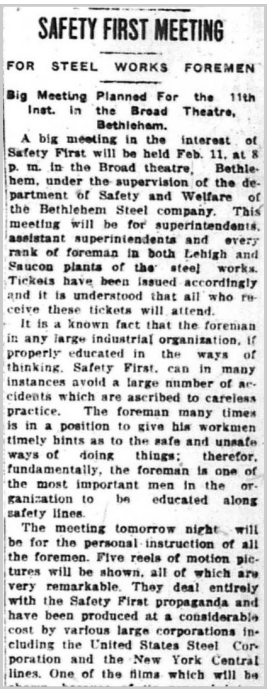
1914

Frank Barbaric
Joseph Bolchar
Lewis H. Mohr
William Franklin
Harry Shenk
Manuel T. Saldana
Milton Moyer
Henry McAllister
George C. Horn
Victor Schunk
Palmer Silfies

Alexander Stettler
George Farber
Alexander Lekoski
Theodore Kolodzi
Stephen Traylor
Daniel O. Heller
Michael Mankos
John Lutsa
William E. Eichelberger
Joseph Shinshed
Nevin F. Spangler
James M. Musselman
Abraham Yehl
Harry Promok
Wasil Hutnovich
John Kucera
Anthony Sliva
John M. Nuss
William Scullion
Alexander Marron
Anthony Bohlinger
William Rickert
Andrew Stephens
John Vuvic
Benjamin Wennerich
Harvey Muschlitz

1915

Frank Radosowitch
George Ragonisky
Ernest Gilbert
George M. Henn
Adam Chasar
Willoughby G. Roth
Joseph Holworter
Irvin Stager
Patrick Maroney
John Suodo
Alexander Jurich
Archibald Trone
Archie Strunk
William H. Van Liew
Ignatz Amosoki
Armando Gentile
Dennis Ferry
Frank H. Kiechel
Horwath
Stewart M. Yelles
Joseph Toth
Stephen Klos
Herbert Irwin Ziegler
John P. Sullivan
William H. Roberts
John Strakoc
Roy D. Knechel
Joseph Morgan



SAFETY FIRST MEETING

FOR STEEL WORKS FOREMEN

Big Meeting Planned For the 11th Inst. in the Broad Theatre, Bethlehem.

A big meeting in the interest of Safety First will be held Feb. 11, at 8 p. m. in the Broad theatre, Bethlehem, under the supervision of the department of Safety and Welfare of the Bethlehem Steel company. This meeting will be for superintendents, assistant superintendents and every rank of foreman in both Lehigh and Saucon plants of the steel works. Tickets have been issued accordingly and it is understood that all who receive these tickets will attend.

It is a known fact that the foreman in any large industrial organization, if properly educated in the ways of thinking, Safety First, can in many instances avoid a large number of accidents which are ascribed to careless practice. The foreman many times is in a position to give his workmen timely hints as to the safe and unsafe ways of doing things; therefor, fundamentally, the foreman is one of the most important men in the organization to be educated along safety lines.

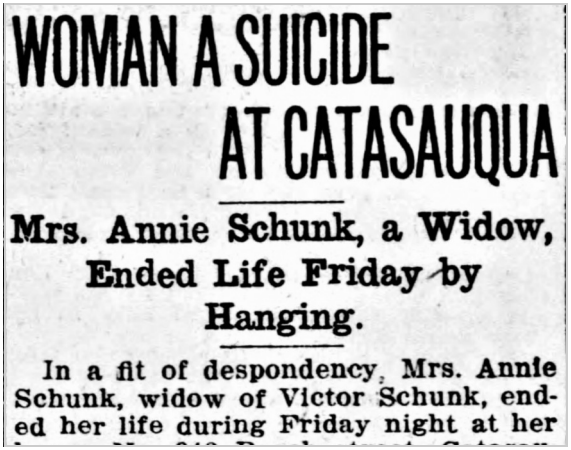
The meeting tomorrow night will be for the personal instruction of all the foremen. Five reels of motion pictures will be shown, all of which are very remarkable. They deal entirely with the Safety First propaganda and have been produced at a considerable cost by various large corporations including the United States Steel Corporation and the New York Central lines. One of the films which will be

Bethlehem Steel began a plant wide safety program in 1915. After losing nearly 14,000 working days to accidents in 1914, the steel firm began a safety program. "The superintendent must be willing to cooperate" to reduce accidents, reported the *Bethlehem Globe*. (*Credit:* Bethlehem Globe, February 10, 1915)

Philip A. Rishel
Robert Paul Stout
John Donnelly
Mike Yonick
Shojan Choris
Joseph Wean
Mihola
Alex Wasas
John Handolosky
A.M. Hutt
Frank Takacs
Frank Nonecz
John Horwath
Andrew Cecora
Frank Acker
William Redline
Harry W. Zerby
William Smith
John Wright
Stephen Miller
Philip Adams
Samuel H. Christine
George Mullen
Lewis Miller
John Spangler
William Zeiner
Harry Vinson
John Fillip
John Andros
William G. Jones
August Povlick

1916

George Kehm
George Brown
Joseph Sabul
Joseph Budihas
Thomas J. Wenner
Lewis W. Anthony
Stephen Hummel
Charles Ungerer
Stephen Roth
William H. Keener
Frederick V. Fritzinger
Oscar Kane
Vito Romano
Donato Lorario



WOMAN A SUICIDE AT CATASAUQUA

Mrs. Annie Schunk, a Widow, Ended Life Friday by Hanging.

In a fit of despondency, Mrs. Annie Schunk, widow of Victor Schunk, ended her life during Friday night at her

"In a fit of despondency," Annie Schunk committed suicide in 1918 after the death of her husband Victor. He had suffered fatal burns at the Crane Iron Co., Catasauqua, in March 1914. The lost of the family breadwinner and the absence of a social safety net impoverished the mother of four children and contributed to her despair. (*Credit*: Allentown Morning Call, April 8, 1918)

Henry Shaffer
George Franco
George C. Scott
John Budnar
James Collins
Joseph Sarnisky
Robert Frable
Andy Sila
Peter Coberlash
John H. Johnson
Leonard Eckert
William Sollenberger
Nick Galatanlos
George Catamio
Stephen Retko
Jacob Domball
Steve Cyaigus
Robert A. Eltz
Jacob Walput
Martin Frisch
Petrus Apostolidas
John Wasserhaley
William F. Moyer
David Wolfe
Rudolph Dutdarich
William J. Harvey
Frank L. Kaiser
John Verda
Michael Nemet
John Kerschner
John Wagner
John Screen
Alexander Christ
Russell McKnight
Michael Georgine
Frank R. Frantz
Frank H. Merritt
Joseph Tarollie
Clarence Gerhart
George Hay
Robert P. Drake
Joseph O'Donnell
William L. Rohn
Howard J. Shelly
W.F. Schneller
William Marshall
Richard W. Magee
Mike Tokas
Roy Crawford
n.a.
Charles Pavolik
Cost Protos
Richard Griff Jones
Barthol Sidleck
John A. Rau
David Fosnocht
Byron L. Pierce
Frank Cascar
John Harwick
Andrew Ecker

1917

Theodore Jacobson
Charles W. Bray
Milton Long
Lambose Petites
Voss
Charles W. Souders
Emien D. Stermer
Charles Breslin
Henry Gross
Uriah Franklin Meck
Jerry J. Witmer
Ray Snauffer
Albert C. Kleckner
Nicholis Antralis
Wallace J. Minnich
Morris Fredkin
Alvin O. Fenstermacher
George O. Hoch
Isaiah Messinger
Edwin Wagner
Patrick Fitzpatrick
Ferdinand P. Frank
Walter Lutz
Homer Lesher
David Anderson
Jacob Brazda
Harvey Roth
Argorinos Cacagerinos
Frank Berger
George Woodington
Henry Griffin

Lawrence Mickali
Alec Doda
W. J. Morris
Joseph Litush
Frederick Collins
Achille Polittie
Frank Anderko
Monroe T. Weist
Henry Ludwig
Peter Burns
Ernest Davidson
Clayton Kuehner
Lawrence Walsh
Thomas Bone
Vasil Lubinski
William E. Swartz
John Manen
Robert Hillegas
Frank Hoffman
George F. Rehrig
Carl Anderson
Joe Radish
Joseph Durock
Martin Lazorik
Frank Ross
Andrew Todt
Paul Polen
William Holland
Jacob Hartzell
Theodore Petzhold
Henry Rennig
Michael Ringo
Jesse F. Huff
Frank Budrics
Byrdies J. Bieber
Clarence Paules
Joseph Peters
Albert Sell
Frederick Von Storch
Simon Blew
Charles Creitz
Allen D. Frederick
Andrew Erwin Brader
Costas Stovinitis
Vale Hollen
Thomas Eck
George Zerebak
Isadore Koch
W. T. Heffelfinger
Joseph Leopold
Jacob Maas
Frank Zeppenfelt

THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS DAMAGE WAS DONE THIS MORNING

Penn Trojan Powder Plant Blows Up—Shock Is Felt for Miles Around.

UNKNOWN CAUSE

All Men Employed In Building at Time It Was Destroyed Are Killed.

(Special to The Globe.)
Allentown, Pa. Aug. 14.—Five were

AFTER HUCKSTERS

Residents in Elmwood Park have reported that a number of hucksters have been visiting that section of the city selling their produce during market hours. This morning Officer Price was sent out to locate the men, but they were not to be found. The city ordinances expressly forbid huckstering in any part of the city while the markets are open, the dealers being expected to be on hand there during those hours.

HOUSEWIVES OBJECT TO ICE

Five men perished in an explosion at the Penn Trojan Powder Company on August 14, 1918. Note how the local press covered the tragedy differently. The *Bethlehem Globe*, (above), emphasized the "thousands of dollars damage" to the explosives factory and listed the names in the story. The *Allentown Morning Call*, (below), headlined the deaths of workers and published their names in the subtitle. (*Credit*: Bethlehem Globe, August 14, 1918 and Allentown Morning Call, August 15, 1918)

FIVE POWDER CO. EMPLOYES PERISH IN AN EXPLOSION

E. S. Ammerman, R. R. Evans, Philip L. Gallagher, W. H. Gensenleiter and J. J. Conway Killed When Drier Unit Blew Up

Five men were blown to atoms when three drier buildings were blown up at the plant of the Penn Trojan Powder Company, near Guth's Station at 8.45 o'clock yesterday morning. After the smoke cleared away holes in the ground and a mass of corrugated iron was all that indicated where the bildings had stood. Buildings for many miles around were shaken and the explosion was heard for nearly fifty miles.

The Dead.

John J. Conway, No. 1122 Snyder Avenue, Scranton.

William H. Gensenleiter, No. 1016 Court street, Allentown.

man. A second later the buildings went up.

Many homes within several miles of the plant were so badly shaken up that the window panes were broken. In this city windows rattled and houses shook. Telephone calls to the plant could get no replies that were satisfying to the hundreds of persons who have relatives employed there because at the plant nothing definite could be known for at least an hour. As a result there was a stream of automobiles to the plant, relatives of persons employed there pressing vehicles into service wherever possible. The identity of the five victims

Edmund L. Crosland
Frank Horwath
Frank Jelko
Charles Pappas
Wilson Eckert
John Getl
Steve Dozer
James Murray
William J. Miller
Jinko Fistvak
Steve Buckasbich
Clarence Dotter
Dimitri Levantis
William Fitzgibbons
Arthur E Lutz
William Dougherty
Jesse M. Hulshizer
Alfred Lutz
George Kostar
Ralph Emerson Rankin
Oliver F. Romig
H. V. Walborn
S. W. Williams
Wilson A. Sandt
Edward Cramer
Thomas Kayitch
Sylvester Kulp
Owen D. Ritter
Calvin Neitz
George Fenstermacher
William Hughes
Henry Olsen

Albert Ebert
Jonas Smith
Harry Ackerman
John Durick
John Frundt
Edward Messner
Martin Skringar
John Goodall Potts
David Apgar
David Thompson
Frank Shanick
Julian Nemeth
Erastus O. Serfass
Roland Buss
John Savich
Frank Guntek
Charles Luzo
Frank Krentza
Mike Zamodice
A. L. Dankel
Freeman Lesher
John Pulaski
William Orr
Peter Urizzo
Peter Vargo
George Fravitis
Dominico Fridiri
Michael Zizak
John Titlow
Dominges Ferriera
John E. Loux
Manuel Pois

Ulysses Buchman
Philip Mandy
John T. Kulp
Victor McDonald
Morris Werley
Henry M. Kilkery
Charles Barrel
John Astor
Michael Brodnock
William J. Laury
William Callery
Harry Magaura

1918

William S. Schlegel
Stephen Baratek
Stewart Muschlitz
John Seachrist
Charles H. Geschwend
George Orbin
Nathan Grossman
Augustus Tasco
Eugar Villar
James Farina
Ephraim Moyer
Daniel McHugh
Charles A. Romell
Adam Ritter
Lewis P. Haas
William H. Meyers
Harry Lair
Catherine Peek
Edward Arnold
Joseph Schoch
Harry Greenawalt
Thomas Mitchell
Andrew Hudak
Charles W. Diehl
Edwin Weiss
Andrew Yanno
Andrew Wasko
Leo C. Reed
Theresa Jobst
Peter Laslo
Charles L. Appleton
Edward Devella
Wallace Otto

" "

"The final casualty reports have not yet been received from the theatre of the recent war (but) it will be seen that dangerous as the war was, greater dangers passed comparatively unnoticed, as in the case of the great number of accidents to workers. . . . "

Allentown Morning Call editorial, November 19, 1918. Reflecting upon the end of the First World War, the editors noted that the greatest loss of life occurred in the nation's factories, mines and rail yards. Locally, over 300 workers died from 1917 to 1918.

Details regarding each workplace fatality can be found at: **www.lehighvalleyclc.org**.

Mike Bonder
David Barnett
William Hahn
Morris J. Fitch
Warren H. Horn
Bonifice Sanchez
Joseph Helfrech
David Everett
Vincent Martin Perez
Henry F. Ferl
Anthony Dilala
John Zeckman
Charles L. Ahn
Henry Weaver
John Fredor
F. Eickhoff
Edward Kelly
Ralph D. Mountz
Nuggi Marino
Frank Howell
Jacob Sidebotham
Eskra Korsimiv
William Riegner
John Marks
John May
George Sauber
Maurice Connerty
Mark Zurick
John Vegi
John Foczko
Samuel Herbst, Sr.
Joseph Kissel
Sigmund Salz
Edgar C. Fulmer
Paul Milkovich
John Stelzman
Peter Marjo
Norman Benner
James W. Sauerwine
Gustave Taves
Theodore Moyer

William Bitting
Peter Serenek
John Senko
Henry Palmer
Charles H. Fink
Sarah Welder
Thomas Beck
Arthur Dierick
Amos Albert
John Wiser
Amos Albert
Clarence Hunt
Andrew M. Fritts
Frank C. Reinbold
Howard Marks
Clarence A. Sandt
Ephraim D. Sidders
Charles Demko
Harry Boardman
Joseph Sanchez
Jacob Kanez
Rolandus Searle
Thomas J. Eardley
John Pudliner
Stefano Matin
Louis Costa
Mena Baltsazar
Howard Himmelwright
James N. Keith
John J. Conway
William H. Gensenleiter
Philip L. Gallagher
Edgar S. Ammerman
Robert R. Evans
John Chemello
George Kushner
Clarence Hamlen
Charles Cataline
Norbert Mulvaney
Charles Hilbert
Harvey Warner

Titus Clarence Keiper
James Fisher
William Karras
Nathan Shapiro
George B. Travis
Joseph Granda
Warren W. Queen
Eli Obeynik
Andrew Sandberg
Robert Reichard
Frank Palinsky
Frank Shophipple
Joe Cranda
David Sames
Steve Malox
Leslie Siegfried
Lancher Gongarin
Erwin D. Keiper
William M. Constable
Joseph Federnock
Daisy Taylor
John Chapell
Jenkin W. Giles
John Pappas
Wity Wyaklya
Renato Quarentelli
John Lotzie
George L. Cross
Harvey W. Gross
Michael Miller
Frank Keehler
Alex Smulnek
Stephen Hutnick
Samuel Lauchnor
Andrew G. Decker
John M. Marcks
Ira Knecht
Henry J. Harmony
Daniel J. Sweeney
Michael Vrabel
John Varis
Oliver Bader
Roscoe W. Hartzell
Daniel Eschbach
John Mack
George Kurtz

Stephen Bacak
Mary Kessler

1919

John R. Smith
William Kelly
John F. Smith
William Behn
Alec Aowitsky
William R. Rotzel
Asher Grube
Andrew Gaydos
William E. Kressler
Percy Gayman
Christian Auch
Fred B. Petersen
John Jacob Correll
William Rabe
Harry Roush
Clayton Nonnemacher
Clarence Schlegel
Archie Jones
William Sigafoos
Charles Kindig
John Alexy
George Woodring
Charles F. Keck
Francis Francesca
Adam Kovacs
Joseph B. Ridley
Cora Weisner
Gus Garstar
Franklin S. Frantz
Michael Kiczka
George Ziegler
Arthur Jones
Earl Trewin
William H. Smith
Alexander Shigo
Hugh Gilroy
Arthur C. Weida
Kalman Solar
Francis W. Roth
Samuel A. Olewine
Griffith Griffiths
Howard Newhard
John P. Groh

By the numbers

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Kate Hess left behind ten children after her "horrible death" in 1920 at the Ontelaunee Slate Co., Lynnport. She fell in a revolving band saw and "bled to death before medical aid could be given," wrote the *Morning Call*. Her husband died nine years later and their youngest children were sent to the orphanage in Topton, Pennsylvania. The nearly 4,000 workers listed in this booklet left behind countless stories of lost and tragedy.

Arthur Hughes
John Stegura
Michael Takacs
Elmer Werner
Oliver Knappenberger
James Stauffer
Foster Shimer
John F. Jones
John F. Koepke
Zladyzlaw Saranitzskey
Robert E. Johnson
Charles E. Nonnemacher
Delbert H. Heron
Charles S. Heller
Floyd Peffer
Vilk Verstaic
John Shoemaker

1920

John Frantz
Francis A. Harrison
Charles A. Smith
Michael Lopez
John Erdos
Petro Iranink
Michael Courti
William Henry Kulp
William F. Collins
Palmer Hahn
Charles A. Smith
Kate Hess
Philip Weller
Edward J. Sherwood
John Querna
George W. Specht
John Zatnick
John Shotick
Peter Perum
Lewis Posovitz
Andrew Marto
Asa Kushner
Paul Sheehan
Andrew Babay
Charles Nagy
Steve Erdos
James Cunningham
Clayton Schwoyer
James Wagner
Hiram Levan
Joseph Zilco
Benjamin F. Jones
William H. Sexton
Frank Sandor
Robert Fatzinger
John Marcello
Frank Young
James Gruver
James Malle
Ezra Eroh
Alton M. Fenstermacher
Frank Perry
Frank Horwath
Mike Christman
Walter Meixsell
Charles T. Weider
Thomas Snyder
Bispo Dominges
Hugh Edwards
William Rose
William Hoffman
Alfred J. Beidler

1921
Michael Graner
John Keller
John Clewell
Benjamin F. Sell
Thomas Kennedy
Andrew Moroske
Joseph Sopko
Peter Steward
Joseph Huhn
Eugene Souders
Abraham Billips
William Shook
Edwin G. Clauss
Peter Pokas
Harry G. Kromer
Harry T. Dougherty

1922
John Deveny
Paul Fischer
John M. Dickert
Leroy Queman
Garlo Karba
Paul Andre
Joe Vargo
Charles McCann
Charles Pinter
Mekes Kavooras
Adam Budicheusa
Michael Coppersmith
Anthony Singley
Mike Duna
Andrew Garay
Raymond D. Reimert
John W. Moore
Harry E. Shaffer
Peter Neese
Rudolph Knusen
George Groff
John A. Richards
George Weidenhammer
Stephen Skerlak
Mike Timko
Rush Stehlin

1923
Clark Campbell
Anastacio Castillo
William J. Smith
Joseph Henzler
Frank Kaufman
William Stelzer
Charles Seila
Peter Heygi
William Beemer
Oliver Kempf
Lawrence A. Gallagher
Andy Madjic
Clayton Cope
Robert H. Watson
Owen O'Donnell
Alex Diacium
Lyman H. Souders
John J. McFarland
Robert D. Hoffert, Jr.
Paul Simon
Gunner Johnson
Martin Byunk
Tilghman F. Moser
Clarence G. Musselman
Enos D. Achenbach
Layos Molnar
Stephen Farkas
Michael Fraldi
Samuel Buch
Steve Lazochey
Charles Rau
Thomas Gonzales
Milton A. Walbert
Lloyd Cregar
Raymond Yodder
Harry W. Muschlitz
John B. Blugos
James Crawford
Harry C. Bealer
Walter H. Heiges
John McQuillen
Charles A. Ahn
Steve Dobyan
Frank Mahl
Edward Caswell
Andrew Mooco
John A. Richards
James Torchiana
Harry I. Zissa
George W. Boyer
Edwin H. Allender
George Stivitz

1924
Walter Gardner
Nicholas Terleskle
Charles A. Lawrence
Peter Warobec
John Schaffer
Warren Moyer
Michael Knopp
Edward H. Peltz
Elvin O. Beahm
Irwin W. Rohrbach
Sue Carmany
Lorenzzo Ruggiero
John Gilmore
Robert E. Bossert
John Surovi
Michael Flessor
Stanley Bauder
James Ruth
Charles Altemuse
John Wellings
Charles Vollath
George Calaskis
Stephen Midges
Charles Krosez
Jacqua Maskoritz
Harry Kemmerer
Joseph Kris
Harry Law
George Herczed
Filomeno Pata
George Yanik
Ross L. Buchanan
James Washdyke
John P. Davies
Oliver Miller
Isaac Smith
Mike Oswald
Paul Berish
Joseph Schlosser
Steve Hascicz

Roy B. James
Stephen Bauer
Michael Bugas

1925

Benjamin Heiney
Harvey E. Shipe
Fritz Timm
Kenneth S. Kline
Clarence Fluck
Ivan Petrocsics
John Foeldi
Eldon Baughman
Juan Vargas
Thomas J. Eck
Merritt H. Strahlo
Janos Fischer
Clarence W. Heydt
Al Murray
John Buckshan
Edmund Reisinger
Bernard Dean
William Shiner
Peter Sheehan
John Traupman
Victor Gangwar
Daniel DelGrosso
Samuel Shelly
Edmund Neuda
Earl Reichard
William Knappenberger
Eugene Carpini
Leroy C. Diehl
Frank Gavinski
Laura J. Kuhns
John Supper
Raymond Libe
Warren W. Weiss
Anton Capler
Scott Roth
Howard H. Fritchman
Benjamin F. Masters

1926

Daniel H. Groscost
Alex Ackerman
Herman Zwickle
Chester A. Worman
Harvey LaRose
Oliver F. Best
J. Chauncey Evans
William A. Maderia
Michael Ponocs
John Sauers
Jacob Crouthamel
Willis Sames
Jan Kudelka
Adam P. Lester
William Brogan
Daniel Mlinko
Steve Timonsko
Arthur Seidt
Valentino Zulli
Nicholas Tumini
Domenico Tumini
John Tumini
James Hennesey
James Kratzer
Ira L. Peters
Martin Falich
Michael Kozol
Otto Preletz
John A. Backenstoe
William W. Weaver
William Buss
William H. Rodgers
Peter J. Medve
Mark I. Sensenbach
Harry Siegfried
C.R. Bowman
Hugh MaGee
Henry Miller
Donald Tennant
Charles Gerstenberg
Herbert Small
Albert J. Kocher
Henry Zeppenfelt
Michael Brucher
John Zatorski
Harvey A. Rhoads

1927

John H. Gearhart
George Ricker
Earl T. Touchton
Ervin Messinger
John Barnowski
Thomas Toczek
William E. Perleberg
Daniel J. McGee
George E. Dolan
George Wilson
Jackson B. Fluck
Anthony Toggart
John Hanson
Frank G. Hartzell
Arthur G. Bell
John Stanich
Frank Nagy
Joseph Gerry
William Venninger
Paul Gyemesak
Robert Gogel
Imre Kovacs
Michael Chandick
Carl Ostness
Edward Richler
Anthony Simores
Harvey W. Fahler
Aaron M. Neff
John R. Owens

By the numbers

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Katherine Sandor-Angerman lost two husbands to workplace tragedies. Her first husband, Frank Sandor, died at Bethlehem Steel on August 9, 1920 when he was struck by a crane while adjusting a scaffold. She subsequently married another steelworker, John Angerman, and he died on May 10, 1928 when a heavy piece of iron fell on his head and fractured his skull.

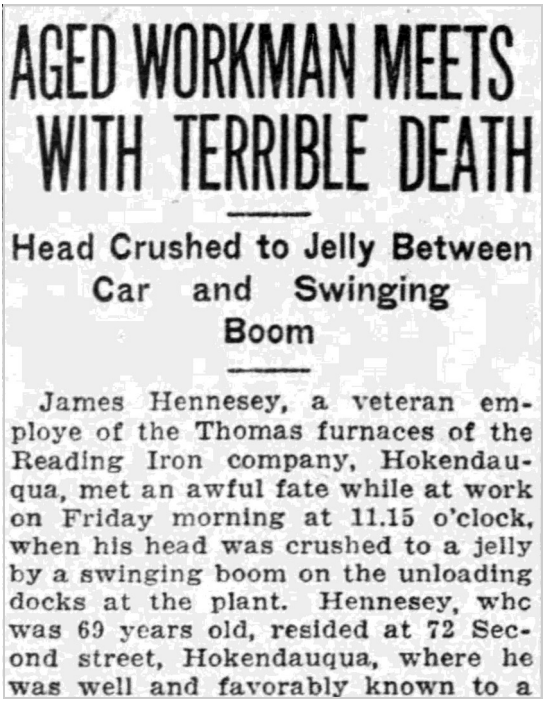
Mike Svelte
Charles H. Fenton
Frederick Lambert, Jr.
Thomas Ramsburg
Samuel Price

1928

Ellwood Jacobs
Harvey Biehl
LeRoy Dettra
Harry Hoppe
John Frederick Heiney
William H. Kessler
Wasil Yesick
J. W. Conroy
John Jones
John L. Sweeney
Martin C. Contreraz
Herbert M. Schlegel
John Angerman
John Rippert
Joseph Farina
Harry E. Bechtel
Frank D. Jones
Joseph Germick
Medoe Beltran
Charles H. Stirk
Mark Seyfried
John D. Roberts
Labold Strausburg
George Smith
Harry L. Bitters
Milton Apple

1929

Howard H. Hunsicker
Cirilo Coral
Harvey P. Mills



AGED WORKMAN MEETS WITH TERRIBLE DEATH

Head Crushed to Jelly Between Car and Swinging Boom

James Hennesey, a veteran employe of the Thomas furnaces of the Reading Iron company, Hokendauqua, met an awful fate while at work on Friday morning at 11.15 o'clock, when his head was crushed to a jelly by a swinging boom on the unloading docks at the plant. Hennesey, whc was 69 years old, resided at 72 Second street, Hokendauqua, where he was well and favorably known to a

James Hennesey died at the Thomas Iron Co., Hokendauqua, on June 11, 1926. The sixty-nine year old man worked for the company for fifty years. (*Credit*: Allentown Morning Call, June 12, 1926)

William H. Hertzog
Mike Senneca
John Knechel
Llewellyn G. Strawn
William J. Pataky
Molton Dorwood
Palmer J. Smith
Elmer S.J. Smith
Byron G. Bernhard
Wayne Weaver
Michael Kelly
Ellis M. Seip
John Koach
Clayton Whitaker
George Rudy
Frank Vilochan
William Loughridge
George Yambor
Anton A. Fischer
Joseph P. Potok
Frank J.E. Held
Arthur L. Eberly
Walter M. Althouse
James Ferguson
Frank Yurich
Charles A. Bergenstock
John W. Gallagher
Joseph Nickecher
Austin Horn
Thomas Heberling
John Koenig
Clement A. Schoenly
Michael Sheehan
Andrew Charney

1930

Robert Whiteman
Steve Bammer
Edwin Deysher
John Deutsch
Charles B. Lewis
William O. Brader
Kalman Trimble
John B. Kensey
Frank Sinko
Michael A. Confer
Raymond H. Sobers

Emmon S. Schwartz
John Wadanko
Joseph Bergenback
John J. Bauer
Charles E. Weaver
Frank M. Behney
James E. Werley
Luther Fisher
Joseph Verdos
Henry J. Roth
John Kline
Frederick Servia
George M. Starner
Joseph J. Kach
Lewis J. Green
Forrest T. Siegfried
Alexander A. Maslowski
John Lorince
Tom Macek

1931

Guiseppe Zollo
Alvin Hartzell
John A. Rau
Charles Heister
John Neubauer
Mary E. Moyer
Calvin B. Geary
Clarence W. Getz
Steve Beres
William D. Gasser
Sadie Lillain Guth
Oliver P. Schellhammer
John Schanta
William M. Rowland
Harvey Weller
Charles Stuber
Levi M. Headman
Milton E. Kerschner
Raymond E. Silfies
Morris R. Hughes
Harvey Trainer
Howard E. Hartline
Orville A. Mohring
Edward H. Werkheiser
John B. House
Charles V. Weaver

1932

Clair Wetherhold
James Bear
George O. Neff
Wilson Xander
Alvin M. Peters
Anton Weninger
Harry Strauss
Robert E. Sell

1933

Nathan Dinniman
Mary L. Weaver
John Wambold
William J. Edelman
Raymond H. Loskot
John Stasko
Preston Nonnemacher
Charles R. Hixson
Clarence W.S. Nolf

1934

Louis Palinkas
Miles Scott
Sylvester Kincade
Jacob O. Snyder
Enols Williams
Norman Rice
Joseph Hafner
Elmer C. Burchill
Harry O. Reppert
J. Albert Fuchro
Michael Rohal
Harry H. Perkins
Harry Trauger
Thomas A. Straup
Charles Cassano
Bernard F. Brady
Warren A. Dech
William Staples
Eugene Siegfried
Horace F. Keiser

1935

Frank Mazur
Harris A. Clewell
Ignatz Laky
Frank Miller
George Myenszek
William R. Rush
Stanley J. Gold
Robert H. Stahler
Angelo Dare
Frank E. Troxell
Alex Mocidlowski
Anthony Caiozzo
John W. Miller
Harry Knauss

1936

Charles Wannemacher
Elwood J. Miller
George Shuck
Erwin T. Rickert
Samuel DeLong
Otto Cyammen
Stanley Snyder
George Hudak
Raymond L. Flyte
J. Nelson Alpaugh
Robert H. Tully

By the numbers

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Ten local workers received the Carnegie Hero Award for jobsite heroism. The Carnegie Hero Fund grants medals "to individuals in the United States and Canada who risk their lives to an extraordinary degree saving or attempting to save the lives of others." Four of these local recipients died during their rescue attempt. The last was Harry H. Perkins, who died from carbon monoxide poisoning after saving the life of a coworker at Bethlehem Steel in June 1934.

William Beahm
Carlo DiCarlo

1937

Joseph Paulauskas
Frank Bankowski
Paul Viczena
Harvey G. Hartman
Floyd F. Stein
Charles Miller
Patsy Pancottine
Sylvester Decker
John A. McCormick
Clemens E. Heller
Frank Spirk
David Bellis
Richard Harding
Gordon R. Warnke
Thomas F. Nicholas
Michael Winarchick

1938

Michael Malitz
Mike Juhasz
Peter McKeon
Stephen M. Kovacis
Gilbert Sweeney
Manuel Julio

1939

William F. Houck
Frederick Hendershot
Harry Arner
Robert Hagenbuch
Preston Koder
Richard Lopez
Willard Koons
Peter Mory
Joseph Gubich
Alexander Ambrus
William C. Miller
John J. Schwartz
Albert Schrantz

1940

Frank Fistner
John Becker
Wawrzyniak
Marshal K. Snyder
Peter Beckage
William Schoenfelder
Fred Weller
Hugh Fisher

1941

Edwin A. Jacob
Nicholas Horn
William Reichard
John Callahan
James A. Bove
Charles J. Haycock
Richard G. Stenlake
George C. Dalrymple
Joseph Kovjanovic
William Snyder
Patrick J. DeLucia
David Ramer
Arthur J. Graser
Joseph Kardos
Andrew H. Mayer
Stephen Farkas

1942

Hayden T. Williams
Anthony Stapinsky
Alfred Bavaria
Benny Ascani
Joseph Ascani
Victor Garbich
Lester Gruver
Charles Gumulak
Michael Kochis
John Kopach
Charles Lilly
William List
August Marinelli
Adam Miechur
Ettor Plebani
John Pulcini
John Sikora
Charles Smith
Samuel E. Smith
Stephen Talpos
Arthur Zappasodi
Andrew Kerlick
Elwood E. Eberly
Alfred L. Frankenfield
Clayton Herman
Franklin J. Krock
Leon A. Miechur
Leo Pace
Quinto Pignotti
Raymond Pulcini
George B. Hadesty
William L. Lanahan
Ray E. Garnett
Edward Kropf
Arnold Lichtenwalner
Frank Petrallo
Harry H. Hess
George Zonce
Joseph Soos
Thomas C. MacAdams
Mathias Tanzosh
Philip Handelong
Henry Strunk
Charles B. Keene, Jr.
Paul P. Kundrick
Addison Ross
Harold M. Mertz
Clayton R. Rex
Michael DeBernardo
Michael Konrad
Charles F. Werkheiser
Charles R. Welty

1943

Arthur L. Raub
Seth M. Muth
Grant H. Lilly
Harry W. Cutsler
Charles T. Menhannit
Charles B. Hillegass
William Griffith
Joseph Halleman
John Hrichak
William H. Kane
John J. Reinhard
Giacomo Gariti
Charles A. Fritchman
William J. Baum
Alfred H. Bernd
Richard M. Gray
Joseph Bolecz
Joseph P. Schwab

John Schoch
John V. Stanger
James F. Smith
1944
David Holvey
Anton Barics
Oliver Cole
Joseph K. McCarty
Thomas G. Grant
Robert L. Heckman
Norman E. Buskirk
Benjamin L. Miller
Howard W. Meixell
Frank Fiorot
Kenneth R. Silfies
Harry Pavrlchak
Thomas L. Paul
Ludwig Trinkle
Joseph J. Mahl
John J. Dziedzina, Sr.
Robert J. Pierson
Emory P. Transue
Fred Carrer
Warren W. Hall
Frank DiMonte
Harry Snyder
Isadore Goldowsky
Walter A. Mertz
1945
John Szuter
Edward J. Delp
Arthur H. Phifer
William Ryan
Harry Felker
William Gribben
Edward Green
Harvey C. Harwick
Calvin Meckes
Raymond Gower
Joseph G.McGouldrick
Harold Snyder
Edward H. Rasely
Michael Straka
George F. Schweder
Charles Conka
Paul Kleckner

Cement workers' memorial at Bethel Bible Church of Mt. Zion's Church Hill Cemetery, Rt. 611, Lower Mount Bethel Township. On March 26, 1942, thirty-one workers died in a premature explosion of roughly twenty tons of dynamite at the Lehigh Portland Cement Company's Sandts Eddy Quarry, located six miles north of Easton, Pennsylvania.

Thomas Beitel
Harold Wintyen
Clarence Kunkle
Joseph Horwath
Donald Wolf
Arthur Knappenberger
1946
John Aranyos
Milton H. Smith
Marcus Mark Good
John Schall
Daniel T. Donohue
Louis Bedics
Francis Erdell
Henry M. Heffelfinger
Samuel Cole

George O. Heymann
Charles W. Sandel
Victor S. Palencar
Franz Chuchra
Titus W. Stine
Frank Figura
1947
Valentine G. Schwartz
Samuel Hewitt
Joseph A. Poschl
Arlan J. Heck
Frank M. Albarelli
Harry T. Yenser
Max Swyrlyrcus
James A. Ransom
Orville P. Strock

1948
Russell O. Sinclair
Martin L. Gilbert
Stephen Illes
Walter Pletchan
Argustus Knecht
Frank Schlegel, Jr.
Velodo Lukasevich
Stephen Kistulentz
William H. Lear
Aaron P. Rowe
Clemence D. Bauder
Walter S. Hucaluk, Sr.
Richard F. Volkert
Frederick A. Schultz
William H. Miller
Stanley Meitzler
Andrew Bresnak
William Bacho
Michael K. Madea
Frank J. Vince, Jr.
William W. McCray
Jay Hulbert
Lewis C. Burd
Elwood J. Boehm

1949
Frank Saylor
Fred. O. Berger
Clayton E. Schlier
Joseph T. Heatter
Benjamin L. Lefever
George Meyers
Archibald Ackerman
Stephen A. Balog
Earl O. Schott, Jr.
Edward O'Malley
Michael Zamiskie
Ralph W. Snyder

1950
Leonard Krasley
Albert Correll
Harold T. Auer
Lester G. Fritz
Edward R. Brophy
Ralph E. Baldwin
Steve Swolensky
Nathan E. Heilman
John Deutsch

1951
Noel E. Gombert
Joseph Plechl
Michael Pesanchik
Stewart F. Ackerman
Elmer E. Ortt
Adolph J. Trinkle, Jr.
Arthur C. Strawn
John D. Heckman
Charles Lichtenwalner
Richard J. Hall, Sr.
Stephen Rayda
Harvey Werner
Peter J. Milkovits

1952
Frank Skolinsky
John W. Sedor
Edward H. Purcell
John F. Jones
Joseph DeLong
Willard E. Deemer
Robert O. Althouse

1953
Victor E. Rasley
William R. Tait
Harry Winkel
Clinton N. Gaumer
Joseph J. Madl
Solomon Tobachnik
Norman M. Nester
Gabriel Koncz
George A. Keck
John Halada

1954
John E. Anderson
Roscoe M. Diehl, Sr.
Charles Heinrich
Michael J. Check
John S. Clewell
Warren R. Sease

1955
David Cope
William J. Powell
Lester Ueberroth
William F. Whitehead
Frank Janoski
Ivan J. Rayner
Harry J. Johnson
James McCord
Eugene A. Caciolo
Robert H. Cowling
Julius Deutsch
Melvin Mattern
Miers Erney
Simon A. Swirsky
Albert B. Seip, Jr.
Albert G. Dixon
Carl K. Conners
Peter Mitchell
John Transon
Raymond H. Myers
Joseph B. Lathrum
Francis T. Brudnak

1956
George Wagner
Joseph Guadagnino
Effie M. Rohrbach
James H. Bartholomew
Austin DeWalt
Gerhard Evrard
Thomas Shinko
Charles Dearinger
Edward D. Shannon
Sylvester R. Fehnel
Michael Harnechnie
Harold C. Heintzelman
Archibald Lewis
Frank Hrkach

1957
Dominick DiTecco
Edward Brown
Mrs. John DiRocco
Stephen L. Nehilla
Daniel J. Sullivan
Frank G. Loprete
James H. Katzman
Clarence Slaybecker
Paul G. Miller
George McFarlane
Frank Nothstein

Joseph D. Dancho
Earl F. Smith

1958
Harry Pomeroy
George Rader
Jacob M. Moser, Jr.
Lester S. Kraft, Jr.
Maynard H. Heabner
David Nykas
Joseph Valent

1959
Francis A. Heft
John H. Donnelly
Richard S. Sandt
Robert Maccione
Kenneth Entsminger
Stanley Prodes
Oliver L. Yaich
Edward Sullivan
Robert J. Emmet

1960
Steward Dorward
Adam Bailey
Eugene Ziegler
Paul Hap Metzgar
John Esmond
George A. Hertzke, Jr.
Russell P. Smith
George Barndt
Charles S. Stroh
John E. Craney
Michael J. Tutolo
Paul S. Remaley
John T. Loper
Robert O. Byerley

1961
Harvey Ringer
Ronald F. Domyan
Edward B. Diehl
John T. Loper
Raymond H. Guth
Ralph E. Snyder

1962
John Jack Schwork
Adrian L. Lewis
Arthur L. Hamm
Alfred E. Pearson
Kermit Heil
Clyde W. Confer
Daniel DeLong
Edward Eickhoff
Donald Fenner
Earl F. Edelheiser

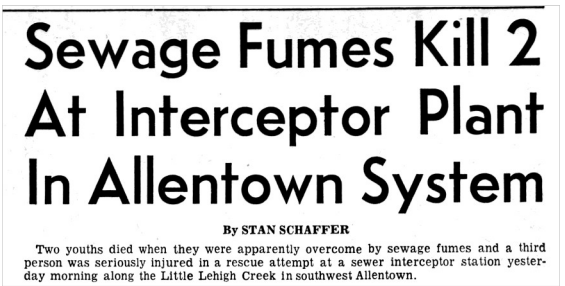
1963
Harold Henry
Carl Bleiler
Clair C. Metzger
Philip Schreffler
Willard C. Bennyhoff
Roy E. Kistler
LeRoy Banks
Wheaton W. Williams
Herbert O. Welsch
Joseph Lyons
Vernon R. Weidlick
Alexander S. Rominski
Lloyd H. Sterner

1964
Irwin C. Barto
Peter Melan
Charles A. Ritter
John Reccek
John F. Kustafik, Sr.
Michael Elices
Robert A. Koch

1965
Allen E. Haydt
Kenneth Kuhns
Steven L. Hrenda
Charles F. Meyer
James A. Zerbe
Earl G. Pence
John R. Schlegel
James A. Smith
Theodore R. Potteiger
Charles Litzenberger
Kenneth W. Frable
Russell F. Ripkey
Forrest R. Muschlitz

1966
Walter S. Stout
William J. Roxberry
John T. Petko
Ferman M. Unangst
William Warrick
Charles F. Scheetz
James Davis
Robert C. Miller

1967
Donald C. Moyer
Clarence Daubenspeck
Charles Roberts
Charles T. Fehr
Carl Lee Bartholomew



Sewage Fumes Kill 2 At Interceptor Plant In Allentown System

By STAN SCHAFFER

Two youths died when they were apparently overcome by sewage fumes and a third person was seriously injured in a rescue attempt at a sewer interceptor station yesterday morning along the Little Lehigh Creek in southwest Allentown.

Sewage fumes overcame Wayne Nagle, age seventeen, and Thomas English, age twenty, at Allentown's sewer interceptor station along the Little Lehigh Creek on July 14, 1973. The Lehigh County Authority contracted Kelly Labor for two employees "to take samples of the raw sewage every half hour. . . ." (*Credit*: Allentown Morning Call, July 15, 1973)

Gorman Billig, Jr.
Alvin J. Horn
Elwood W. Freeman
Thomas L. Davis
John Kokolis
John Usiak
Arthur L. Howells
Kenneth C. Hoover
James H. Brinton

1968

Norman Seagreaves
Thomas Clewell
Michael S. Dapkewicz
Eugene R. Haberacker
Harry B. Parks, Jr.
Kenneth H. Heiser
Carl R. Krasley
Helen Hoffman
Gordon McHose
Harry S. Clugston
Dean A. Carey
Richard D. Holzerland
Stephen Kucsan
William P. Wilhelm
Robert E. Gardiner

1969

Andrew C. Fedor
Joseph Neiberger
Garfield Schafer
Robert C. Hontz
Earl F. Lippincott
Phillip J. Fahy
Andrew Laskaris
Arthur E. Koons
Paul R. Schaffer
William J. Saxton

1970

William J. Shane
Nevin T. Hartley
John W. Moore
Joseph A. Kertsmar
Freddy Richard
Wilson S. Esterly
Nicholas Demjan
Billy D. Rankin
Vendel J. Horvath, Jr.
William F. Jandrisavitz
Thomas J. Ulicny

1971

Richard E. Roth
Walter W. Moyer
Armando Pangalo
Gunter R. Schmidt
Leo L. Arseneau
Leroy K. Linsenbigler
John C. Derkits
Edward Schedler
Leroy S. Semmel
Joseph Walker

1972

Harrison E. Bruder
John H. Schaeffer
George T. Washington
Harry M. Gardner III
Kenneth A. Amy
Bernard Gutman
Irwin S. Weil
Willard A. Clay, Jr.
Dennis Lee Blanks
Harry Van Vorst
John H. Anewalt
Howard R. Moon
Walter J. Fritchman
Melvin M. Richards
Warren F. Riegel

1973

Wallace A. Webber, Jr.
William Reichard, Jr.
Robert J. Kimak
Thomas R. English
Wayne A. Nagle
Raymond Sanders
Frederick Mosteller, Jr.
Theodore Wagner
Michael Mistishen
David H. Newhard
Richard H. Millheim
Donald P. Seifert

1974

John J. Roskilly
Anthony Zopf
Lawrence Lipowitz
Burt M. Murphy
Richard A. Skrovanek
F. Alexander Dunn
Warren B. Householder
Barry P. George
Timothy R. Stinner
Joseph R. Wilk
James Fahr
Guy R. Serfoss

1975

William Temos
Robert Trexler
Edwin J. Feiertag
Eugene Millheim
Joseph S. Sajt
Gary N. Reynard
Joseph R. Garcia
Paul Gornick
Joseph M. Powell

1976

Hector A. Pimentel
Wilmer A. Hill
Joseph Harvilla
Michael Urban
John McGinley
William Berger
Leslie C. Smith
Gilbert D. Klase, Sr.

1977

William R. Olinger
David L. Arehart
John C. Paterson
Delwyne W. Gruver
David Spangenberg
Charles W. Simmons
Carl D. Stevens
Kenneth G. Fuls

1978

Richard M. Dreisbach
Peter Morykan
Marvin Mert Mengel
Charles S. Reimer
Stephen W. Tanzosh
Calvin Smith

1979

Sherwood A. Eckhart

Francis A. Ames
Joseph J. Frisch, Jr.
Donald W. Kasson
Barry Edelman
James B. Sailor
Nicola Falcone
Willard Hankee
Herman H. Meyer
Theresa Hughes
Luigi Vassallo
Sean Branagan
Harry Jack Johnson
Jeffrey Edwards
Walter Snyder
Harold R. Mumbower

1980

Stephanie A. Kospiah
Rowland G. Moll
Harry L. Duffield
Robert M. Humanick
George J. Chisesi
Joseph Ferretti
Charles Samus
Jeffrey C. Bosserman
Arthur Kreisher
Gregory Lee Dixion
Ronald K. Baney
Elliot Canone, Jr.
Leonard Bell
Lukac S. Bandzi
Clarence Traugher III
Roscoe M. Diehl, Jr.

1981

Charles S. Kratzer, Jr.
Joseph E. Karba
Joseph A. Fillman
Richard A. Baatz
Michael I. Pearl
Herbert J. Preisler
Carl L. Counterman
Jack B. Warner
Bruce A. Kresge
Robert A. Schleifer
Robert E.A. Fronheiser
Franklin H. Kichline
Anna Miller
Clair Steinmetz
Michael P. Levan
Frederick L. Mantz

1982

Paul F. Hamsher
Lee A. Parham
Edward M. Howard
Raymond R. Seyfried
James S. Landis
Jeanette M. Christ
Patricia Riccobono
William Turick
Claudie Robinson, Jr.
Andrew J. Passaro
Clifford J. Long
Frank Janosa

1983

Andrew Yastishok
Robert E. Spangenberg
Carthel Kirby, Jr.
Walter G. Miller
Roy W. Wetzel, Jr.
Leo A. Engle
Gordon Brink
Henry S. Bechtel, Jr.
Richard C. Gween
George J. Madbak
Donald J. Thompson
Irving Asteak
Lloyd W. Janisch

1984

Joseph J. Murante
Raymond J. Fehr
George V. Hagenbuch
John A. Wargo
Cleo L. Beers
Herbert J. Smith
Charles A. Marlatt
Dale A. Shelly
William Zellers
Eugene Davidson
Donald O. Ramsaur
Joseph J. Ardelean
Clyde W. Horne
Barry B. Radeline
Claude R. Flannigan
Larry L. Atherholt

1985

George C. Stocker, Jr.
Barry A. Tomer
Mark R. Steiner
Samuel C. Conrad
Gary D. Ebert
Richard F. Hacker
Alan W. Schlicting
Thomas C. DeLong
Kenneth Snyder
John A. Engiles, Jr.
Mark J. Yonkelowitz
James P. Harris

1986

Robert R. Trostle
Janice Confer
Hazel Evans
Jane Hartman
Joseph J. Miletics

1987

John S. Bujcs

"..."

"Honor the dead in tragic crash."

Allentown Morning Call Op-Ed headline, April 30, 1982. Three Lehigh Valley Hospital MedEvac employees died attempting to save a traffic victim's life when their helicopter crashed in Schuylkill County on April 27. Seven years later, a Philadelphia County jury awarded $1.4 million to one of the victim's, citing the aircraft manufacturer's design flaws.

By the numbers

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Robert Spangenberg, an Allentown firefighter, died on February 27, 1983 at Sacred Heart Hospital after responding to a fire sixteen days earlier. At least fifty-five local law enforcement officers and firefighters died as the result of workplace injuries. (*Credit*: Morning Call, February 11, 2013)

Mark A. Haas
Paul B. Landy, Sr.
Billie Lou Bellis
Armando M. Barreiros
Robert Greene
Gary B. Beers
F. Grant Haas
Earl G. Vogel
Craig Palmer
David W. Hopstetter
Walter Hunter
Harry A. Gardner, Jr.

1988

James J. Scanlon
Ernest A. Gerhard, Jr.
Stanley C. Biddle
Bruce G. Bistline III
Arch F. Pritchard
Stanley Mackowiak, Jr.
Richard F. Borman
David C. DeLuise

1989

William Fahringer
Preston S. Beers, Jr.
Glenn A. Godusky
Morad O. Asi
Rodney Vasquez

1990

Horace B. Young
Michael A. DePaul
Scott A. Hein
John Mast
Joseph T. Laughead

1991

Floyd W. Hahn, Jr.
Joseph Batza
Charles A. Krotzer, Jr.

1992

Thomas Rogaski
Douglas P. Hartman
Stephen M. Hann
Donald W. Washburn

1993

Peter Lombardi
Charlotte Schmoyer

1994

Richard J. Miller
Daniel Kwasnoski
Raynor L. Miller
Glenn A. Brown

1995

Gerald N. Anderson
Ralph F. Birgfeld
Erik Kent
Michael J. Ryan
Andrew McCloughan

1996

John Kilyk
Wayne D. Arehart
Daniel L. Rhodes
Brian West
Daniel T. Janney

1997

Barry J. Verba
Gary L. Gracely, Sr.
Daniel E. Rice
Kevin D. George

1998

Earl Sonny Moritz
William A. Muth, Jr.
Steve Pittman
Dennis J. Schlicher
Joseph L. Gartland

1999

Sonnie J. Peacock
Terry R. Bowers
Anthony Mondello, Sr.
Paul F. Mondello
Ruben Soto, Sr.
Paul Wanamaker
Charles F. Sterner
Joseph Vincent, Jr.
Raymond Bender, Jr.
Robert R. Snyder
David H. Russell

2000

Alfred E. Coxe
Raphael R. Rivera
Barry J. Gerber
Carl B. Gerber

2001

Lloyd W. Weaver
Timothy F. Kramer
John P. Gimbar
Dale Francis
Blanche R. Swoyer

2002

Glenn D. Minnich
Edwin Theis, Jr.
Lewis D. Cornfeld
Thomas L. Kunigus, Jr.
John T. Stefano
David R. LaBarre
August I. Wilson
Michael D. Snyder

2003

Ernest E. Meshach
Stephen J. Holycross
Thomas M. Burkhart
Bruce W. Zimmerman
Charles S. Piccione

2004

Slobodan Barbulovic
William H. Moss
DeWayne Carraghan
Theodore C. Whitmore
Jason A. Warke
Richard D. Michael

John J. Quinton

2005

Thomas Lawlor
Jesse E. Sollman
Marivan Khouri
Gerald Kuhns
Jan P. Frisoli

2006

Fred F. Klump
Roy H. Batchler
John Kotchmar
Robert M. Dieter
David M. Petzold
James A. Schock

2007

Thomas Stout
Barry Lee Bush

2008

Gary K. Rinker
Timothy P. Edwards
John W. Brixius, Jr.
William H. Edwards

2009

Samuel Saucedo-Yanez
Scott A. Moyer
Christopher Rhudy

2010

Bridgette Geist
Harold Gunderman
Ronald LaVoie Jr.
Mario Chacon
Edward P. Goworowski

2011

Michael Wilson
Al Calvo
Robert A. Lasso
Luis Castellanos
Torren S. Kline

2012

Humberto A. Mendieta
Frederick L. Hossler
Chris Burch
Edward M. Haines

2013

Paul D. Mast
Trevor M. Depugh

"..."

"The dangers of tree-trimming and operating a wood chipper are obvious and widely known. The willingness of this company and its owner Adam Atiyeh to expose workers without proper safety equipment and training is hard to understand. Employing minors to do this work is unconscionable"

Jean Kulp, OSHA Area Director, in a February 14, 2023 *Allentown Morning Call* article describing the August 2022 workplace death of seventeen-year old Isiah M. Bedocs.

Erwin Smoyer
Robert Rogers

2015

Richard J. Shott

2016

Charles Diirner
Robert Schoenerberger
Eric J. Wagner
Mark A. Duch, Sr.
Eli B. Smucker
Gabriel Seeman

2017

Milad Salloum
Elvis Schwager
Miguel Almonte

2018

Howard M. Sexton III
Aldwin Bobb
Ruben Ocasio-Fernandez
Marwan Hajjar

2019

Jared C. Balogh
Marcia Jean Hauser
Guillaume Cherelus
Oscar Benavides
Frank Deutsch
Luke Marzano
Jose N. DeJesus

2020

James Diefenderfer
Jonathan Shen
Eddy J. Surinach

Thomas S. Keiser
Eleanor Camacho

2021

Gary W. Dean
Michael Baptiste
Ramon Ramirez
Michael X. Shorter
Charles T. Irwin
Erich E. Goodnough
Michael R. Pittman

2022

Russell Molter
Isiah M. Bedocs
Scott L. Fichter
Marvin L. Gruber
Zachary T.A. Paris
Michael D. Lugo

2023

Nicholas A. Varec
John A. Cipriano

The Lehigh Valley Workers' Memorial statue stands solitary at the Bethlehem Rose Gardens days before a wrecking crew demolished Martin Towers, seen in the background, in May 2019. Information on nearly 4,000 workplace deaths can be found at **www.lehighvalleyclc.org**.

Sunday, April 30, 2023 1 pm

32th Annual Lehigh Valley Workers' Memorial

at the

Bethlehem Rose Gardens

Eighth Ave. & Union Blvd., Bethlehem, Pa.