

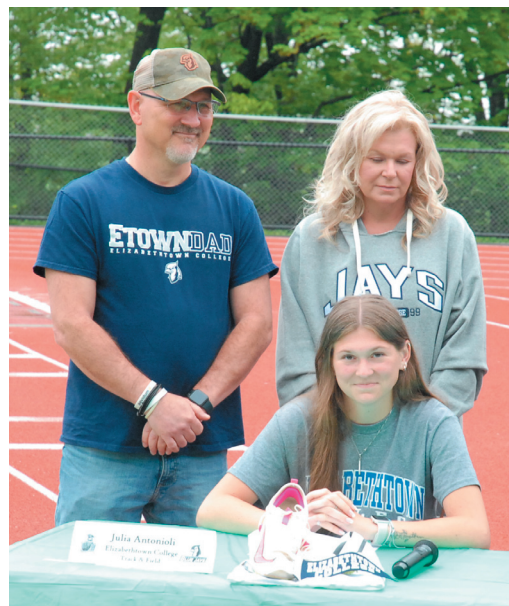

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Pen Argyl High School 2024 College Commitment Ceremony


Julia Antonioli

Chase Kennedy

Bradley Rissmiller

By Tim Egan / PAHS A.D.

PEN ARGYL - This year we have seven seniors committed to playing a sport in college.

Julia Antonioli is the daughter of Bruce and Linda Antonioli. Julia participates in Cross Country and Track and Field for the Green Knights under the coaching of Glenn Bray and Christina Straub. She also participated in Basketball where her team was 2023 District XI Champions.

Julia plans to continue her Track and Field career at Elizabethtown College under the coaching of Brian Falk & Maria Anderson next spring. Coach Anderson said, "We are beyond excited to have Julia join us as a Blue Jay next year. She will be a wonderful addition to our sprint squad in our pursuit for our next Landmark Conference title." Julia plans to major in Biology/Pre-Med.

Chase Kennedy is the son of Daryl and Carly Kennedy. Chase played Basketball for the Green Knights for Head Coach Mike Morris this year. Chase was a 3 year letter winner and averaged 9.3 points per game his senior year. He was also the 2023 David Houser Memorial Award recipient and named 2024 Honorable Mention Colonial League Coaches Association and Honorable Mention All-Area Morning Call.

Chase plans to continue his Basketball career at Waynesburg University next winter under Coach Tom Weiler. Coach Weiler said, "Chase is a great addition to our school and basketball program here at Waynesburg. He is the kind of person, student, and player that we value - as his years of academic and athletic excellence will only continue to the next level. Chase has a very bright future ahead of him and we're excited to be a part of it!" Chase plans to major in Business.

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Danger Of Water Beads, As Lawmakers Seek To Ban As Children's Toys

By Consumer Product Safety Commission

HARRISBURG - Water beads are small balls made of super-absorbent material, and they can expand up to 100 times their original size, making them extremely dangerous if swallowed. That's why a new bill, sponsored by Pennsylvania Sen. Bob Casey, would ban the sale of water beads marketed as a toy for children.

Water beads often look like colorful toys, and you can buy thousands for under \$10. What they do is expand up to 100 times their size when exposed to water.

They expand in the, in your intestines and they cause internal damages and bleeding. Infants have passed away because of this. Children, older children also as well have caused internal damages.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission says, from 2016 to 2022, water beads caused about 7,800 emergency room visits. That's why Senators Bob Casey, Susan Collins, and Tammy Baldwin are sponsoring Senate Bill 4298, which would ban the sale of water beads marketed to children. It's called "Esther's Law" after 10-month-old Esther Jo Bethard of Wisconsin, who died from swallowing a water bead.



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