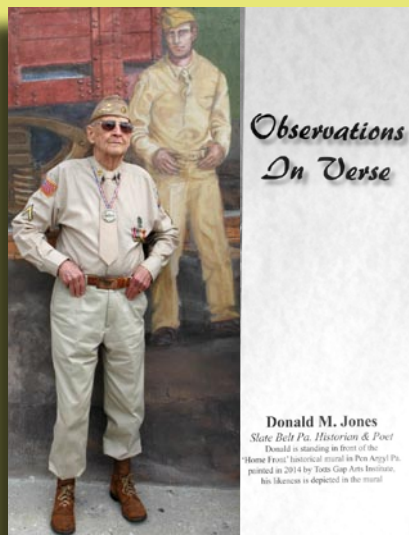


A Poem from the Archives of Donald Jones

Exclusively in the Blue Valley Times



WINTER WINDS

Blustery winds, cutting like the edge of cold steel, Whipping the trees, turning them deathly grey, Making its presence known, whistling in the wires And chasing down chimneys and rattling windows, Howling during the night, expressing its loneliness.

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who presented Tenaglia with a plaque for choosing to open his new office in the Slate Belt bringing economic development to our community.

Members of the Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce hosted the event at Tenaglia's office. Members Rosemary Albert, Nancy and Joe Kessler, Deb Pettinari, Steve Hurni, Laura McClain and Michael Ortoski were in attendance.

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The 'Geoffreymobile' Set for Auction

February 12 at Teel Auctions, Mt. Bethel, Pa.

By Michael Ortoski

MT. BETHEL - One well-known vehicle is missing from U.S. parade lineups -- the George Barris-designed Geoffreymobile, the high-profile parade vehicle of the Toys 'R Us retail chain.

That iconic vehicle is set for auction on February 12 at Teel Auctions, Mt. Bethel, Pa. Bidding is in-person and online.

Toys 'R Us declared bankruptcy in 2017, disposing of many fixtures, supplies and other assets. Among those items were the Geoffreymobile, its customized transport trailer, and several Geoffrey the Giraffe costumes, which were an integral part of Toys 'R Us parade appearances.

The Geoffreymobile commands attention from car buffs because it was designed by the late George Barris, creator of the Batmobile, the Munster Koach, along with a host of well-known hot rods and custom cars. His creations today are considered collector vehicles and the subject of an active secondary market on car sites such as Hemmings.com.

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"We've been contacted by a wide range of people, all who have fond memories of the Geoffreymobile and the special place Toys 'R Us held for all of us, especially around the holidays," Teel Auctions President Robert C. Teel said. "We expect competitive bidding, and we're certain this one-of-a-kind vehicle will find an appropriate home."

For more information, visit www.teelauctions.com, www.hemmings.com, www.liveauctioneers.com or call (570) 897-8335.



2019 Youth Leadership Award

By Mary Mainhardt

PEN ARGYL - Zachary Morro has been chosen as the 2019 Pen Argyl Woman's Club Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership recipient.

He is the son of Brion and Sherry Morro. Zach is a sophomore at Pen Argyl High School.

Zach's athletic interests range from playing baseball as well as throwing shot put, discus, and javelin for the varsity track and field team. He also is a two year starter on the Pen Argyl soccer team earning his first varsity letter last year. He is a licensed United States soccer federation referee and works games at all age levels between U9 and U17. Zach also volunteers for the Wind Gap youth basketball association as a scorekeeper.

Zach has ranked in the top five of his freshman class and is looking forward to attending college. He is secretary for the class of

2021 and participated in the "Stuff the Bus" campaign at Thanksgiving with the Pen Argyl Character Education Program.

Hoby was founded by actor Hugh O'Brien in 1958. The award is given annually to deserving sophomores across the nation. Hoby's mission is to seek out and develop leadership potential in youth and to encourage and prepare the next generation for America's future.