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US NEWS AND WORLD REPORT

County is again named best spot to retire

Consistently ranks among foremost areas in US; neighbors make top 10

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Housing affordability, overall happiness and health care quality all helped Lancaster County top U.S. News & World Report's 2022-23 list of Best Places to Retire, released today.

"Lancaster is a mix of small-town charm and amenities that appeal to many retirees," said Emily Brandon, senior editor for retirement with U.S. News & World Report.

The Lancaster metropolitan area, which includes all of Lancaster County, consistently scores near the top of the annual rankings, which look at the 150 most populated metro areas in the United States. Last year it ranked No. 5, and in 2019 it ranked No. 1.

Local retirement communities are excited about the ranking because it highlights what their residents already know about the area's desirability as a retirement destination.

"It causes people to take a look. And as they do their research, they'll discover this really is a great place to retire," said Scott Miller, chief marketing officer at Garden Spot Village in Earl Township.

Cities in Florida and Pennsylvania usually take up the top 10 spots in U.S. News & World Report's annual list. In Florida, retirees make up a larger share of the overall population, but a growing

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People walk along North Prince Street during an Art and Coffee Crawl in February in Lancaster city. The Lancaster metropolitan area has been named the top spot to retire by U.S. News and World Report.

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What was your Halloween costume? Share your holiday creativity with LancasterOnline. Young or old, scary or cute, we want to see your costumes. Submit your Halloween costume photos at lanc.news/HalloweenCostumes2022, and they will be added to our online gallery for others to enjoy. Be sure photos are family-friendly and are of good quality for publishing. Here, trick-or-treaters make their way through the Woods Edge development. For more photos, visit LancasterOnline.com.

Above, Colton Aimes, dressed as Chase from Paw Patrol, trick-or-treats in the Woods Edge community on Monday. At right from top, Alana Hsiung, Brody Crossland and Dagen Crossland stop along their route. Julia dresses as a princess to look for treats. Octo Lena Tuma, Gabe Tuma and Elsa Opal make their way.



EARLY EDUCATION

Leaders push for pre-K funding

New classroom opens in Manheim Twp. as goals linger

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Manheim Township School District celebrated the opening of its newest pre-K classroom at Brecht Elementary School on Monday, while local leaders emphasized the need for additional pre-K classrooms throughout Lancaster County.

Thanks to the inclusion of an additional \$79 million in pre-K funding in the 2022-23 state budget, Manheim Township School District opened its fourth pre-K classroom last week through Owl Hill Learning Center, adding 18 seats to its overall count. The district also has three 20-student pre-K classrooms at Bucher Elementary School.

Yet, the county and Pennsylvania as a whole are still in need of high-quality pre-K care.

In Lancaster County, 77% of 8,610 3- to 4-year-old income-eligible children do not have access to high quality pre-K care. That's a rate slightly higher than the 66% of 167,470 eligible children without access to high quality pre-K care statewide. Income-eligible children are those in families making 300% or below the federal poverty level, or a four-family income of \$83,250 or lower.

High-quality pre-K care is defined by Pre-K for PA as programs with teachers who have obtained a degree that includes early childhood training, a requirement for all publicly funded pre-K programs. Pre-K for PA is a nonprofit with the goal of providing high-quality pre-K care for every 3- and 4-year-old child in Pennsylvania.

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Students attend the Manheim Township School District's newest pre-K classroom at Brecht Elementary School on Monday.

DEVELOPMENT

Espresso machine maker growing

Jura plans to build \$17M hospitality center near Mount Joy

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An affiliate of a Swiss maker of high-end espresso machines plans to double its workforce and size when it builds a \$17 million new hospitality center near Mount Joy.

Since 2014, the Swiss company, Jura Inc., has operated a hospitality center and its only authorized repair center in leased space at Bates Enterprises in Rapho Indus-

trial Park, 134 Shellyland Road in Rapho Township. Jura's bean-to-cup coffee makers range in price from \$800 to \$4,000. Bates also services other high-end coffee makers from Capresso, Nespresso, Breville and DeLonghi. Bates has facilities in North Carolina and Nevada.

Bates Enterprises currently employs about 28 people at its Shellyland Road site and would add 30 more when it moves to a

new facility, according to its recent application to the state's Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program seeking a \$7 million grant.

"Jura decided to build a new facility and set our roots in Lancaster," the company wrote in its application for state redevelopment funds. "This project will involve the construction of a new building."

Bates Enterprises did not respond to LNP | LancasterOnline's requests for comment.

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Jura: Espresso machine maker plans growth

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Jura was not awarded a grant in the first round, which was announced last week. The state indicated a second round could be awarded but did not give a timeline.

Jura wants to move across the township closer to Mount Joy to build its own facility rather than lease it at the industrial park. The 1,600-square-foot retail center, south of Route 772 and just west of Route 283, sells reconditioned and new espresso and cappuccino makers and accessories from Jura. Bates also has a 25,000-square-foot service plant, which reconditions



Bates Enterprises | SUBMITTED

Jura espresso makers are seen in 2014. Bates Enterprises, an affiliate of the Swiss maker of the high-end espresso machines, plans to double its workforce and size when it builds a \$17 million hospitality center near Mount Joy.

Jura's machines.

At their Oct. 20 meeting, the Rapho Township supervisors approved rezoning

two adjacent properties at 1475 E. Main St. and 1480 Strickler Road from mixed-use commercial to industrial.

An attorney for Jura, Stacey Morgan Brubaker, said at the meeting that the business would like to relocate to a property it owns. She said the company plans to create a showroom for its products as part of a new facility that would be constructed in the new location.

A design for the new facility has not been finalized, but the company said in its RACP application it would be a \$17.6 million project to build a 100,000 square foot facility.

Next Jura will have to submit a land development plan to the township.

In brief

MANHEIM TWP. Motorcyclist dies in 1-vehicle crash Friday on Route 222

A motorcyclist died in a crash on Route 222 in Manheim Township on Friday.

Crews responded around 5:20 p.m. to Route 222 northbound near Hunsicker Road for a crash, according to dispatch reports. The area is about 2 miles north of the Route 30 interchange.

A 60-year-old man was driving a motorcycle when witnesses say he changed lanes, drifted off the right side of the road and hit a guardrail, police said Monday. The man fell off the bike, but the motorcycle continued several hundred feet before stopping.

The motorcyclist died of his injuries at the scene despite a doctor and a witness performing CPR, police said. Crews closed the road for several hours so investigators could do a crash reconstruction.

Manheim Township police continue to investigate and ask anyone who saw the crash to contact them at 717-569-6401.

RAPHO TWP. 3-vehicle crash kills 1, hurts another on Route 283

A man died and a woman was injured in a three-vehicle crash that closed a section of Route 283 in Rapho Township overnight Saturday.

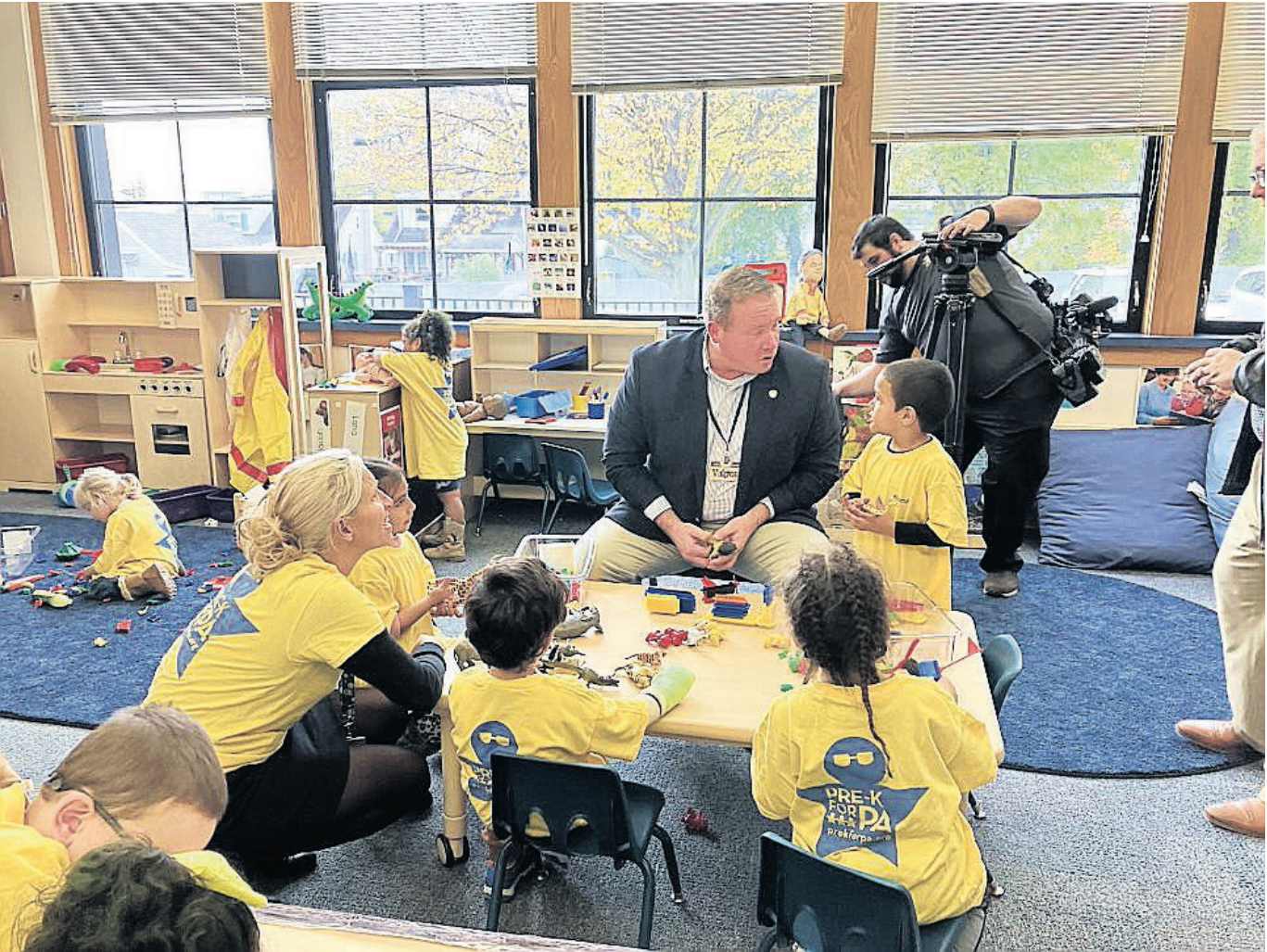
The multiple-vehicle crash happened at 10:51 p.m. Saturday on Route 283 westbound around the area of South Esbenshade Road, according to dispatch reports.

Police determined through a preliminary investigation that a 20-year-old man from Hershey was driving in the eastbound lanes and hit another vehicle when he tried to pass it, police said Monday. The man's vehicle spun through the median and crashed into a vehicle in the westbound lane driven by a 65-year-old woman from New Hope.

The man from Hershey was pronounced dead at the scene, and the woman from New Hope was taken to a local hospital with moderate injuries. The driver of the eastbound vehicle, a 43-year-old man from Lititz, and a passenger were unharmed.

Crews closed the road in the area of the crash for several hours so police could investigate.

Manheim Borough Police continue to investigate and ask anyone who saw the crash to contact Sgt. Jason Riggle 717-665-2481.



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Republican state Sen. Scott Martin speaks to a group of children at Manheim Township School District's newest pre-K classroom at Brecht Elementary on Monday. Martin represents the 13th Senate District and is chair of the state Senate Education Committee.

Pre-K: Focus is on need for more classrooms

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After a ribbon-cutting for the new classroom at Brecht Elementary, Mary Ann Garrett, CEO of Owl Hill Center, said it's up to legislators to provide the funding necessary for more classrooms.

"Districts are becoming more and more open to create capacity to serve pre-K,"

Garrett said. "The Legislature has to provide the slots."

Republican state Sen. Scott Martin said he's in favor of directing more funding to pre-K education as the state did with the 2022-23 budget. Martin represents the 13th Senate District and is chair of the state Senate

Education Committee.

"For us, obviously, the big thing is the funding," Martin said. "Every time we can get an increase that sizable in funding is going to help break into those waiting lists. ... We got to keep that momentum going and keep getting new dollars that can go to these formulas from pre-K all the way up through our seniors in high school. All our educational entities will benefit from that."

Benefits of pre-K education include reduced grade repetition, increased graduation rates and decreased crime and incarceration, according to reports by Pre-K for PA.

To highlight what occurs in a void of such benefits, Lancaster County District Attorney Heather Adams noted that 40% of the incarcerated population at Lancaster County Prison didn't graduate high school. However, high-quality pre-K education can reduce social and self-control behaviors that hinder student learning and can lead to future delinquency and crime, Adams said.

"I'm so pleased to be here this morning to celebrate the opening of this classroom as an important part of the educational system but also a crucial part of what we're trying to do to increase public safety," Adams said.

Report: Retirement

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number of people are choosing to retire in the commonwealth.

"People are looking for more than just the weather," said Kelly Eakin, director of sales and marketing at Masonic Village in West Donegal Township.

The rankings change slightly each year based on the factors that survey respondents feel are the most important. This year, housing affordability was the top factor. Retirees to Lancaster County can enjoy the same quality of life they do in larger metropolitan areas at a lower cost, Miller said.

That value led to good scores in housing affordability.

"This year retirees and soon-to-be retirees are especially concerned about home affordability due to the current state of the housing market and inflation," Brandon said.

According to Zillow, the typical home price in Florida this year is \$415,762, while in Pennsylvania it's \$267,549.

Another factor is access to quality health care. U.S. News & World Report noted that Lancaster County and other cities in Pennsylvania climbed the rankings due to the close proximity of top-ranked hospitals. U.S. News & World Report's 2022-23 list of the Best Hospitals in Pennsylvania ranked Lancaster city-based Lancaster General Hospital at No. 4 and Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center in Dauphin County at No. 5.

"As people get older and need care, it can be particularly important to be able to get the health care services

TOP 10 SPOTS TO RETIRE

U.S. News & World Report ranked Lancaster County number one in its 2022-23 Best Places to Retire list, released today. Pennsylvania and Florida are home to nine of the top 10 locations on the list.

1. Lancaster County

2. Harrisburg

3. Pensacola, Florida

4. Tampa, Florida

5. York

6. Naples, Florida

7. Daytona Beach, Florida

8. Ann Arbor, Michigan

9. Allentown

10. Reading

you need within a reasonable driving distance," Brandon said.

The area also ranked high in overall happiness — how much people who currently live there enjoy where they live.

Communities hear from retirees who like the area's mix of amenities in its rural and downtown areas. They can visit winning restaurants and shops in downtown Lancaster, or enjoy scenery and roadside stands in the surrounding countryside. The area's history, culture and food are all reasons that local retirement communities hear from retirees who come from other areas.

"U.S. News & World Report is saying what we've been saying for close to 40 years, that Lancaster is just a wonderful place to live," said Maureen Leader, public relations and communications manager for Willow Valley Communities in West Lampeter Township.

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