



# HAY!

The Official Newsletter of the Bethlehem Mounted Patrol  
featuring Pharaoh, George, Asa, Grey & Casper.



## Holiday with the Horses!

Join us for  
**Casper's 1st Christmas!**  
**December 12th, 2020...**  
**details below!!**

Grab a cup of coffee and dive into the fourth quarter edition of **HAY!** the newsletter for information about the horses of the Mounted Patrol. We continue to expand our FAN BASE - please keep sharing our newsletter with your friends.

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### Officer's Corner - Welcome Casper!

Have you  
seen our  
newest  
member of the

Bethlehem Mounted Patrol clip-clopping around our city? Officer Ryan Danko provides the much awaited bio for Casper, the newest equine officer!

Use the link below to [learn more](#) about Casper!

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

December 12, 2020

HOLIDAY with the HORSES

## Casper's 1st Christmas!

**Social Distance Style - Free Admission**  
**Registration Required**

Join the Bethlehem Mounted Patrol Horses, Pharaoh, George, Asa, Grey and Casper, at Quadrant Private Wealth Stables for their annual HOLIDAY with the HORSES event to help them celebrate Casper's 1st Christmas with the Mounted Unit!

Come and see Einstein, the PA Snow Camel and honorary police camel, and Santa who will be on hand to celebrate! Young fans can enjoy pony rides and gifts from each of the horses!

Use the link below to register for this free event. This event will be conducted in accordance with all CDC safety

Casper's  
Story

### With Sincere Gratitude

The acquisition of Casper would not have been possible if not for the generosity of local residents, Joe and Cathy Perno, who gifted Casper to the Bethlehem

Mounted Patrol in memory of their daughter, Allison Nicole. Joe and Cathy have turned their grief into service



recommendations. Masks are required.

## Registration for Holiday with the Horses

### Did someone say **CLIP CLOP CHOCOLATES?**

Yes! Find these chocolate delights at our barn POP-UP Shoppe or by patronizing our many local Bethlehem business friends!! Shop local - Shop BETHLEHEM!!



Proudly Presents

## Clip Clap Chocolates



All proceeds benefit the horses of the Bethlehem Mounted Police.



**\$10** Crunchy pecans and creamy caramel covered in smooth milk chocolate!

To place an order or request more information contact friends@thebmp@gmail.com

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since 1886

### Whinny of the Day

Q. Why do cowboys like to ride horses?

A. Because they're too heavy to carry.

as they generously give back to their community, year after year, in Allison's memory. To learn more about why their gift to the Mounted Patrol was so meaningful, use the link below to meet Joe and Cathy in an exclusive interview with Lisa Moy and PBS39. *Photo above: Joe and Cathy along with Officer Danko and Casper after the Badging Ceremony; below: Joe & Cathy, all 5 horses, officers and Kentucky trainer Kiana Casto.*



### Meet Joe and Cathy Perno

### 4th Annual Bridles & Badges 2020 is a wrap!!



A great big **SHOUT OUT** to the community for once again supporting our Mounted Unit by purchasing tickets and attending our annual event on September 12. Your "unbridled" enthusiasm and ongoing commitment to our community does not go unnoticed or unappreciated!



**YES!** it was a different event from prior years due to the pandemic. We are so grateful to those who ventured out in socially distant fashion. The feedback we received from





## CONGRATULATIONS are in ORDER!

Friends of the Bethlehem Mounted Police extends sincere congratulations to Sgt. Michael Leaser on the occasion of his promotion to Lieutenant! Lieutenant Leaser was a founding officer of the Bethlehem Mounted Patrol and has been instrumental in the formation and growth of the unit. In this new role, Lt. Leaser will continue to oversee operations of the Mounted Patrol in conjunction with his other assigned duties. We wish him great success in this new chapter of his career! *Photo above: (then) Ofc. Leaser with George in 2015, narrating a training demonstration to the crowd at Blueberry Festival; below: (then) Sgt. Leaser recapping the day's events with Grey in 2019.*

participants was very positive, and we actually generated some new ideas for next year (silver lining!). We are glad you all enjoyed the fantastic food and music by the Verdict Band, the mounted demonstrations, and **OF COURSE**, the introduction of **CASPER**, our newest equine officer. We also greatly appreciate your generous patronage of the merchandise tent - the newest limited edition Casper apparel was a hit! If you missed out, we will be featuring this apparel in our upcoming Holiday POP-UP Shoppe.



## Volunteer Spotlight - Beth Masiado

With the help of their team of volunteers in caring for the horses, the Officers of the Mounted Unit have more time to focus on and tend to their police duties. Bethlehem resident, Beth Masiado, is one of those volunteers. Get to know Beth by clicking below.

Volunteer: Beth  
Masiado



**Veterans Day originated as "Armistice Day" on Nov. 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and Nov. 11 became a national holiday beginning in 1938. Unlike Memorial Day, Veterans Day pays tribute to all American veterans—living or deceased—but especially gives thanks to living veterans who served their country honorably during war or peacetime.**

## **VETERANS DAY**



11 TH NOVEMBER

### **MOUNTED UNIT VETERANS**

**Ryan Danko (ARMY)**  
- 9th Infantry - Korea  
- 101st Airborne  
Division, Iraq

**Justin Madera (ARMY)**  
- 2nd Battalion,  
9th Infantry, Korea  
- 3rd Armored Cavalry,  
Colorado



### **Wash Your Hands/Hooves**

As we navigate this unprecedented time, the horses remind everyone to stay safe, maintain social distancing, and wash your hands!



### **Who are Friends of the Bethlehem Mounted Police?**

This is the not-for-profit, charitable organization with the mission of financially providing for the horses of the City of Bethlehem Police Department's Mounted Patrol. They are an all volunteer organization, and 100% of all proceeds from fundraising events go directly to meet the needs of the horses. Through their efforts, the City Taxpayers are relieved of the burden of caring for these valuable members of City Law Enforcement!

We are frequently asked, how can we help?

From donating to legacy gifting, to volunteering, there are many ways you can help. Visit our website for more information.



### **All-Around Great Friends and Supporters**

The Bethlehem Mounted Patrol is fortunate to have the support of the community to meet the health, nutritional, and maintenance

needs of the horses. We gratefully acknowledge Moravian College, the 6th oldest college in America with a history spanning 275 years and located right here in Bethlehem! Gifted by the Moravian College

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Equestrian Team and sponsored annually by Moravian College, Grey proudly sports the school color and was named in honor of the Moravian Greyhound mascot! He loves to visit his fellow hounds on campus and is grateful for their support. Thank you President Grigsby and Moravian College for taking care of Grey for the last four years!

*Photo above: Grey enjoying breakfast at home; Below: Grey at Moravian College for his dedication ceremony.*



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### Ask The Officers

Wonder what it's like to be a Mounted Patrol Officer? Have a question about their horses, saddles or tack? Ask your question here! We will choose one random question from all of the entries and respond right here in our next newsletter.

[Ask the Officers](#)

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### Horsin' Around

Click below to enjoy a fun game brought to you by Pharaoh, George, Asa, Grey, and Casper!

[Horsin' Around Word Find Fall 2020](#)

[Horsin' Around Puzzle KEY](#)

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