



FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER



Allegany Highlands Healthy Youth Coalition

Coalition Updates

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Cardinal News sponsored an event on Feb. 6 at the Clifton Forge Masonic Theatre featuring Beth Macy, the author of both *Dopesick* and her newest release, *Raising Lazarus*. This event featured a panel of community professionals that included, Ann Gardiner, Commonwealth Attorney, Ingrid Barber, AHCS Executive Director, and Lee Higginbotham, CEO of LewisGale Hospital Alleghany. More than 180 people pre-registered for the discussion, according to Gayle Hillert, president of the board of the Masonic Theatre Preservation Foundation. It was the first event of 2023 for the Cardinal News Speaker Series.

**WORKING THROUGH THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC:
THE ROLE EMPLOYERS PLAY
IN COMMUNITY RECOVERY**

"Raising Lazarus" and "Dopesick" author **Beth Macy** will lead a panel discussion on the impact of opioids on a community's economy and workforce, and the role that employers can play in recovering from this epidemic.

Panelists: **Ann Gardner**, Allegheny County commonwealth's attorney, and drug court advocate; **Ingrid Barber**, Executive Director the Allegheny Highlands Community Services Board; and **Lee Higginbotham**, CEO of Lewis Gale Allegheny Hospital.

Monday, February 6th | 7:00 PM
Clifton Forge Historic Masonic Theatre

Beth Macy

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The event may be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PUKMAkfUoGo>



The great turnout for this event tells us that our community is invested and interested in how they can provide support and opportunities to expand services to individuals who are struggling with substance use.



- March 2 - Healthy Youth Coalition Meeting 12:30 at Cucci's
- April 4-6 - Tiffany Bowser, Coalition Chair will be attending
Problem Gaming Bootcamp
- April 22 - Callaghan Vendor Fair
- April 22 - Allegheny After Prom
- April 29 - YMCA Healthy Kids Day