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From the Publisher

As I reflect on the past five years, it seems so surreal that I am celebrating the fifth anniversary of The Belt and Beyond; a dream that I had for many years that came to



life because I finally made a decision to take a leap of faith. I literally had no idea what the outcome would be. I started this venture on a wing and a prayer.

My vision in starting this publication was to give my community and surrounding communities, both readers and advertisers alike, something new. I wanted to provide a fresh, positive, entertaining, and uplifting source for news, events and happenings, while promoting businesses in and around the Slate Belt, in full color.

So here I am, celebrating five incredible years of The Belt and Beyond, and 30 years in the newspaper and advertising industry. I am amazed and genuinely grateful to be able to do what I love and have the support of so many; I am truly blessed. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my family, friends, advertisers, and readers, for your love and support of The Belt and Beyond. To my staff, Stacey Fogel, Nick Pulsinelli, Kaitlyn Martin, Lisa Newberry, Sarah Loren, Jeffrey Cooper, Bonnie Bastesdo, and Donna Williams: Thank You is simply not enough for your tireless efforts and dedication, and for making everything come together each issue.

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Thank you all for your continued business, readership, and support! Read on and enjoy! Candy Martin, Publisher

APRIL IS AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY MONTH

APRIL NATIONAL DAYS

APRIL 6-NATIONAL STUDENT ATHLETE DAY

APRIL 7-NATIONAL NO HOUSEWORK DAY

APRIL 9-NATIONAL FORMER P.O.W. RECOGNITION DAY

APRIL 10-NATIONAL SIBLINGS DAY

APRIL 11-NATIONAL PET DAY

APRIL 13-NATIONAL SCRABBLE DAY

APRIL 14-NATIONAL GARDENING DAY

APRIL 18-NATIONAL LINEMAN APPRECIATION DAY

APRIL 19-NATIONAL GARLIC DAY

APRIL 21-NATIONAL KINDERGARTEN DAY

APRIL 22-NATIONAL EARTH DAY

HOLIDAYS

April 19 - Good Friday April - 21 Easter

WEEKEND HAPPENINGS

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35th ANNUAL LAWN & GARDEN AUCTION

Saturday, April 6th, 2019 at 9:00am. Hilltop Sales & Service, Inc. 158 Falcone Rd, Bangor, Pa. Call 610-588-4088 for more information.

PORTLAND HOOK & LADDER BRICK BINGO

Portland Hook & Ladder Co. #1 is holding a brick bingo Saturday, April 6th, 2019. William Pensyl Social Hall, 111 State St., Portland, Pa. Doors open at 11:00am. Bingo begins 1:00pm. For more info: portlandhookandladder.com, tickets: www.eventbrite.comor contact Stephanie at 610-216-6716.

WIND GAP FIRE CO. BINGO BONANZA

Saturday. April 6th, 2019 at the Wind Gap Social Hall, 111 Broadway, Wind Gap. Doors open at 11:00 am. Bingo starts at 1:00 pm. Call 484-903-6322 for details.

SLATE BELT ROTARY CLUB 8TH ANNUAL BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

The Slate Belt Rotary Club will host their 8th annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Saturday, April 6th 9:00am-11:00am at the Scorecard Sports Bar & Grill, 130 N. Broadway, Wind Gap, PA. Proceeds benefit Slate Belt community projects. Info/Reservations 610-863-5269 or info@scorecardbar.com

ENUMC PASTIE SALE

Will be held Sunday, April 7th 2019, At new location: Wind Gap Social Hall, 111 N Broadway, Wind Gap, PA. Doors open at 11:30am. Bingo starts at 1:00pm. Call (610) 863-4600 for details or tickets.

PEN ARGYL ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP BINGO 2019

Will be held Sunday, April 7th 2019, At new location: Wind Gap Social Hall, 111 N Broadway, Wind Gap, PA. Doors open at 11:30am. Bingo starts at 1:00pm. Call (610)863-4600 for details or tickets.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL TRICKY TRAY

Immaculate Conception Schoo will host a Tricky Tray on Friday, April 12th. Doors open at 5:00 pm drawings start 7:00 pm. Proceeds benefit the students at Immaculate Conception School 290 W Babbitt Ave, Pen Argyl, PA.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Slate Belt Heritage Center

CELEBRATES ITS "SPRING OPENING" Saturday April 13th 12-3 pm

HOURS: APRIL-OCTOBER:

SATURDAY & SUNDAY: 12:00 PM-3:00 PM

SUNDAY YEAR AROUND: 12:00 PM-3:00 PM

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EBUMC FREE DINNER

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church welcomes you to a FREE "Spaghetti & Meat Sauce" Dinner on Sunday, April 7th, from 4:00pm 5:30pm. The church is located at 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor, PA. Questions? call 610-588-4453 or visit http://ebumc.org/.





Earth Day

April 27th 2019 12:00pm - 3:00pm

Grand Central Environmental Education Center 891 Grand Central Road, Pen Argyl

(look for Education Center sign at end of driveway)

Grand Central and several great Slate Belt Community Organizations will host crafts, recycling activities and a bird walk.

Other activities include a craft table, newspaper activity, recycling archery, and even a Waste Management CNG Truck for kids to check out!

The environmental education center includes a classroom and 41 acres of contiguous fields that are exclusively maintained under a rotational grassland management plan. The facility is home to many birds, reptiles and mammals native to the region.

For More Information: Adrienne Fors, Public Relations afors1@wm.com 610-863-2401



Pocono Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center



Slate Belt Rising Host Tenant Rights and Responsibilities Workshop

Slate Belt Rising will be hosting a Tenant Rights and Responsibilities Workshop on **Saturday, April 27th from 9:00am until 12:00pm** at William Pensyl Social Hall in Portland, PA. Staff from North Penn Legal Services and the Housing Equality Center of Pennsylvania will provide presentations to help educate individuals on their rights as tenants. Registration for this event is required, the deadline to register is Friday, April 19th. For additional information and to register contact Slate Belt Rising Director Stephen Reider at 484-523-0900 or sreider@caclv.org.

Slate Belt Heritage Center 2019

The Slate Belt Heritage Center (SBHC), located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA will be celebrating its 20th Anniversary in conjunction with its' Spring Opening on Saturday, April 13th. Featured this year in the Council Chamber, will be "We the People: Folk Art for the Slate Belt". We the people means "hand-made" and not mass produced. The featured folk art and crafts will tell about the creative drive, the diverse culture and the sense of identity that we share in the Slate region. Slate Belt people crafted many items like, slate whimsies and fancy needlework that demonstrate their skill and communicate a personal or community message. Some use traditional designs that reflect immigrant roots. Come and see rare "slate fans" that show a slate splitter's skill. Check out the show towels, quilts and fancy work that women made to demonstrate their talent with a needle to make a comfortable home for their families. Folk art has a practical use, but it is amazing to see and helps us understand who we are and from where we came. Items shown will be from the late 1700's to the present.

The Heritage Center occupies the former 1907 Bangor Town Hall in the heart of the Slate Belt. Displays focus on the lives of people who settled this part of America, from the Lenape to the waves of immigrants-the Scots-Irish, German, Cornish, Welsh, Italian, Jewish and others whose families live here today. The Heritage Center also houses rooms for the textile and slate industries, in addition to the Homefront and Fire rooms.

The Heritage Center is a not-for-profit 501(c) 3 organization whose mission is: To establish and offer for public view and educational purposes: artifacts, displays, DVD's, oral histories, genealogies and research information that reflect local Slate Belt history and heritage, and to perpetuate our Slate Belt Heritage, ethnic contributions, industry and history so that future generations may learn and appreciate our valued past.

SBHC presents Preservation Awards to people who preserve Slate Belt heritage and hosts students and teachers ranging from local 4th graders to East Coast Universities. The Center preserved nearly 3000 Slate Belt treasures which inspire heritage murals, historic building rehabs, family research and trips down memory lane. SBHC produces programs, exhibits, and tours for community groups, schools, special events, reunions and other museums.

The Center is open to the public Saturdays and Sunday 12-3 PM April through October, and Sundays 12-3 PM November through March. Admission is FREE. Private tours are available upon request. Monthly presentations are held the second Thursday of each month from April-November at 7:00 PM and the second Sunday of each month from December-March at 2:00 PM. These programs are also FREE. Memberships are available at the Center. Follow the news on the website sbhc@frontier.com and Facebook Slate-Belt-Heritage-Center-SBHC.

See page 12 for Heritage Center Schedule of Events

Pen Argyl Masonic Lodge #594 F&AM

3rd Annual Ralph A. Behler **Memorial Golf Tournament**

Saturday, May 11th Southmoore Golf Course, Bath PA.

4 man Scramble

Registration 11:30am-12:00pm. Lunch 12:00pm Tee time 1:00pm

> Cost: \$85.00 per person Team of 4 \$340.00 Dinner & Awards 5:00-6:00 pm

Sponsorships - Interested corporations, businesses and individuals can contact either
Richard Hughes at 570-801-2401 or Robert Weber 484-695-8890.

Donations can be mailed to: Pen Argyl Lodge #594 c/o Ralph A Behler Memorial Golf Classic

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Penn Rose Quilt Guild 2019 Quilters' Buffet

The Nazareth based Penn Rose Quilt Guild will be hosting its 2019 Quilters' Buffet on Saturday, May 4, 2019 from 8:15 am- 2:35 pm at Shoeneck Moravian Church, 316 North Broad Street Ext., Nazareth, PA 18064 Six miniseries will be presented again this year and session times have been increased to 70 minutes.

Deadline for registration is April 15, 2019. Details and registration form for the day's program can be found on this member, visit www.hbbapa.org. site: https://sites.google.com/view/pennrosequiltguild/home

In Memory **Kathy Meneeley Klingle** on her 50th Birthday April 3, 1969 - April 3, 2019

Fifty years ago this beautiful gift of life was given to us, twenty two years later God took her away. So as we remember Kathy today, she is celebrating her birthday in Heaven.

> Happy Birthday With our Love Mom and Family



HBBA Provides Exposure. Networking; Builds Stronger Community

By Sarah Janelle Loren Most small business owners have the same goals in mind: gain exposure and increase revenue while supporting the community in which it resides. Becoming a member of the

Historic Bangor Business Association can help you achieve that and more.

"The main reason I started the HBBA is to get more people involved in our businesses downtown," said HBBA Founder and Co-President Jill Matthews. "I wanted people to see what the downtown has to offer while supporting their local businesses."

Co-President Traci McGinty added that the HBBA strives "to market, promote, and support local business association members by organizing fun, family-friendly events, festivals, and promotions that introduce more folks to the Bangor community and bring them to the downtown."

In addition to Presidents Matthews and McGinty, HBBA board members include Treasurer Mike DeMasi and Secretary Laura McClain. Together, they spare no effort to promote the local community and businesses within.

"It's an affordable, terrific resource for networking... as well as a means to increase foot traffic into their stores," McGinty said. "It's also a nice way to become more involved in the community and to support local economy."

Upon becoming an HBBA member, your company information will be included on the HBBA Facebook page and Website, you'll be given group advertising opportunities, participation in all HBBA events, and more.

"Our festivals and events take place in the downtown, primarily on Broadway and Market Streets, in hopes that visitors can experience the history of Bangor through its beautiful architecture, by visiting local businesses and chatting with business owners and residents," McGinty said.

For more information about the HBBA and becoming a



Miller's Egg Ranch 96 Mt Bethel Hwy, Bangor, PA.

Join us for a fun afternoon of fun on Saturday, April 20th

Over 10,000 Easter eggs on 4 acres, with 3 separate age group egg hunts.

> Egg Hunt Schedule: 12:00pm Ages up to 4 years 12:20pm Ages 5-7 years 12:40pm ages 8-11 years

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Thurs.-Sat. 10:00am-5:00pm Sunday 12:00-4:00pm







Salvation Army of Pen Argyl to Host Easter Open House

The Salvation Army of Pen Argyl needs you to help

STOMP out hunger in the Slate Belt. Are you or someone you know struggling to maintain food for your household? Pride and dignity can sometimes get in the way of taking care of yourself and family. Hop on over to their Food Pantry and see how clean, inviting, and abundant it is. Experience the confidence and dignity kept as you tour the pantry with their dedicated and caring volunteers offering food of choice.

Come to the Easter Open House on Tuesday, April 16th, 10:00am-12:00pm, (regular pantry hours) Pen Argyl Corps., 301 W. Main Street, Pen Argyl, PA. Registered quests welcome. New quest registrants welcome with valid ID.

There will be a Basket Give Away and Lucky Egg Pick!

Easter Bunny at Emmy Lou's Ice Cream Café

Saturday April 13th & 20th 10am-12:00pm, Sunday April 14 & 21 10am-12:00pm. Bring the kids to see the Easter Bunny you take photos 492 E. Main Street, Pen Argyl, PA

Bunny in a Big Rig

Hosted by Tolino Vineyards, Saturday, April 20th 2019 at 12:00pm-3:00pm. Tickets tolinovineyards.com

Washington Twsp. Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Aux. Easter Bake Sale

The Washington Township Volunteer Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary will be hold their annual Easter Bake sale on Saturday, April 20th from 9:00am to 11:00am at the Easter egg hunt held at the Recreation Fields located on Rt. 191 Bangor, PA.For more information call Shirley 610-863-4603 or Sandy 610-462-5611.

2019 B&B

Easter Egg Hunts

FORKS TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION

Saturday, April 13th, 9:00 am -Registration Egg Hunt 9:30

Forks Township Amphitheater, 500 Zucksville Rd, Easton, PA. Age Categlories: 2-4, 5-7, 8-10. Prizes are awarded at each age level. Small fee to participate

GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Saturday, April 13th, 10:00 am

(rain date April 20th)
404 E. Mountain Avenue Pen Argyl, PA
All children welcome from ages 0 to 6th grade, prizes for all!

LOWER MT BETHEL TWSP. & LMBT SANDT'S EDDY FIRE CO.

Saturday, April 13th, 2:00 pm (rain date April 20th)

Riverton Ball Fields, 7701 Martins Creek-Belvidere Highway. Follow Sandt's Eddy Fire Co. on Facebook for any changes due to weather

PORTLAND EVENTS COMMITTEE Saturday, April 13th at 1:00 pm

ages up to 12. Age group prizes. Portland Ball Field, Division Street,
Portland, PA for an Egg Hunt and meet our very own Easter Bunny! Call
Stephanie Steele for more info. 610-216-6716 or
www.portlandboroughpa.com

ACKERMANVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Saturday, April 20th, 12:00 pm -Community Easter Eqq Hunt

(if raining, it will be held indoors) 1410 Ackermanville Rd., Bangor. PA.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FATHER DENISCO COUNCIL #3862

Saturday, April 20th 2:00 pm

1680 West Bangor Road, Bangor, PA.

LOOKOUT FIRE CO. #1 Saturday, April 20th 11:00am

Weona Park Rte. 512, Pen Argyl, PA. For children 0-10 yrs. of age.

MILLER'S EGG RANCH

Saturday, April 20th, 12:00 pm

96 Mt Bethel Hwy, Bangor, PA. Egg Hunt Schedule: 12 noon ages up to 4 years • 12:20 ages 5-7 years • 12:40 ages 8-11 years

TATAMY BOROUGH

Saturday, April 13th 1:00 pm

(rain date Sunday, April 14th)

The Annual Tatamy Easter Egg Hunt Tatamy Ball Field, Braden Park. Tatamy, PA. All children infants- 6th Grade are welcome.

UPPER MOUNT BETHEL TOWNSHIP Saturday, April 20th, 11:00 am

Mt. Bethe Vol. Fire Co., 2341 N Delaware Dr., Mt Bethel, PA. (Rt. 611)

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE CO.

Saturday, April 20th, 10:00 am

Washington Twsp. Athletic Fields, 1021 Washington Blvd., Bangor, PA.

WIND GAP BOROUGH

Saturday, April 20th 11:00 am, rain or shine

Wind Gap Borough Park, E. 4th Street Wind Gap, PA Children ages 10 and under for borough children





Washington Twsp. Vol. Fire Co Ladies Aux. Spring Fling Cash Bingo

The Washington Township Volunteer Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary will host their annual Spring Cash Bingo on Sunday, May 5th, Doors open at 11am, Bingo starts at 12:30pm. The Washington (920 Washington Blvd., Bangor, PA). The kitchen will be open. FMI/ Tickets call Shirley 610-863-4603, Sandy 610-462-5611, Ruth 610-588-7402, or Donna 484-298-0192.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

SBRPD Chief Mettin Returns from Special Olympics World Games in UAE

By Sarah Janelle Loren

Slate Belt Regional Police Chief David Mettin was honored at a reception and celebration on April 2nd after his return from the Special Olympics World Games in

Abu Dhabi. From March 1st through 17th, Chief Mettin joined other law enforcement officers from all over the world in carrying the "Flame of Hope" for Special Olympics throughout the United Arab Emirates (UAE). Just one officer from each state was chosen from the United States to represent America's law enforcement for the Final Leg Torch Run in the UAE.

"The Special Olympics athletes" oath speaks to 'being brave in the attempt," Chief Mettin said. "I have

had the honor and privilege in watching our athletes be brave and courageous, exemplifying great sportsmanship and displaying the true joy in athletic competition."

Chief Mettin was on a team of nine police officers and one athlete for the Torch Run. His team members included taking a short break to help form the SBRPD. Two years law enforcement from the UAE, Canada, Croatia, South Australia and Trinidad/Tobago. The athlete on their team, Ryan, is a past World Games Gold Medal winner from New Zealand.

"Each day, [we] would wake up early and travel throughout the UAE, carrying the Flame of Hope throughout the Emirates, attending lighting ceremonies in each Emirate and several cities, meeting athletes. dignitaries and citizens of the UAE," Chief Mettin said.

Chief Mettin's team participated in a "Solar Polar Plunge" to raise funds for Special Olympics, during which officers and athletes raised over \$380,000. The team also had the opportunity to do some sightseeing in the UAE, where they marvelled over great mosques, forts. monuments and parks.

"The UAE is unique in its architecture, both old and

new," Chief Mettin said. "It is unlike what we see here in PA!"

In addition, Chief Mettin's team was invited, and had the

incredible opportunity, to light the cauldron at the Presidential Palace in the presence of the vice president of the UAE, numerous dignitaries and Sheikhs. The trip culminated in the Opening Ceremony held at the Zayed Sports City Stadium in Abu Dhabi.

"There. I met athletes from 190 countries and made a special stop to visit our USA athletes," Chief Mettin said. "Of all the highlights of the trip, spending time meeting athletes from

all over the world was incredible.'

Chief Mettin has been volunteering with the Special Olympics since 2009. He served as the Director of the Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) in PA until 2014, before later he took the role of Assistant LETR Director.

"My role is to engage law enforcement to participate in Torch Runs, Polar Plunges and Medal Ceremonies with the athletes, as well as to spread the word of Special Olympics and inclusion," Chief Mettin said. "It is really a joy to be with the athletes and their families, to see their determination when competing and to interact with them.

"I have been so fortunate to meet hundreds of athletes and families. I see the dedication, commitment and work ethic shown by all of these athletes and their coaches. I have watched as they give their all and do their best in every event and I have become enamored in their drive to be their best!"

For more information on the LETR and the Special Olympics, visit www.LETR.org and SpecialOlympicsPA.org.



(From left) Pen Argyl Police Chief Michael Nasatka Sr., Wind Gap Police Chief Mitch Mogilski Sr., Sen. Mario Scavello, Chief Mettin, State Rep. Marcia Hahn, Pen Argyl Borough Council President Joseph LeDonne, Plainfield Township Supervisor Jane Mellert, Plainfield Township Supervisor Steve Hurni and Wind Gap Councilman Dave Hess, at the Plainfield Township Police Department.. Photo Courtesy of Adrienne Fors

Celebrate National Volunteer Month: Thank a Volunteer. Be a Volunteer

By Sarah Janelle Loren

April is National Volunteer Month, a time when dedicated volunteers are recognized for all they do, and we are all reminded of why volunteerism is so important to our communities.

Volunteers are the heart and soul of every non-profit organization, which is why volunteerism is so essential and beneficial to all communities. Unfortunately, the national volunteer rate declined from 28.8 percent in 2005, to a 15-year low of 24.9 percent in 2015, according to Phys.org. As a result, our local volunteer-based organizations--such as volunteer fire departments, libraries, and food pantries--all suffer. In turn, those who rely on these resources face hardship, as well.

Have you ever thought that maybe something in your community could be better? Maybe the parks are full of litter or the fire department is short-staffed. Perhaps you've noticed neighbors standing in food pantry lines for too long, many with impatient children. Are there community resources whose phones go unanswered? Is the library closed more than it's open?

Volunteer. Before you dismiss the idea, think about it. This is your community, the place your loved ones live. If you won't do something to make it a better place, who will?

Of course there are many factors to consider before volunteering, including your work schedule and child care. When it comes to volunteering outside of working hours, there are always options. Volunteers are needed in so many places at all hours of the day, so there is most certainly a place for everyone, no matter when, where, or in what ways one may be able to volunteer. Some organizations need assistance with things that can be done remotely, so you may not even have to leave your home to volunteer your time or skills.

If you have children, introduce them to the joys of volunteering by doing so as a family. The teamwork and communication involved in volunteering may help you build a stronger bond and connection with your family as you spend precious time together. While you are doing something meaningful side-by-side, you will be teaching your children the value of hard work, giving, doing good for the causes and people you care about, becoming a leader and role model, and so much more.

Volunteering can be beneficial for all who are able to do so, not just for homemakers or teens preparing college applications, but for everyone, regardless of age, sex, occupation, or any other demographic. Volunteering will give you a sense of purpose, boost your confidence, and expand your connections with others. It can also help you stay mentally and physically active, combat stress, anxiety, and depression, and teach you new skills. In addition, it will make your community a better place to live, work, and play.





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Faith Christian School's Gala Fast Approaching: Reservation Deadline to Attend

Time is growing short for you to make reservations for this year's Gala, held annually by Faith Christian School in Roseto, PA. Faith Gala will be held at the historic Shawnee Inn and Golf Resort, Shawnee on Delaware, PA, Saturday, April 27 from 5 to 9 pm. Deadline for reservations is April 12.

For more information on the program, menu selections, to preview auction items, see the list of corporate sponsors, purchase tickets, or donate auction items, please contact Sheila Boyer at 610-588-8815, email boyers@fcslions.org or go to www.faithgala.org or visit the Facebook page https:// www.facebook.com/fcslions.

Faith Gala begins with hors d'oeuvres, followed by dinner and a dessert auction. Both silent and live auctions will beheld to support the academic and scholarship programs at Faith Christian School in Roseto. PA

Faith Christian School will celebrate, recognize, and encourage achievement by joining with neighbors, friends, parents, distinguished alumni and sponsors of this year's sixth annual Faith Gala, "Masquerade Ball," whose theme this year is "Unmasking greatness, one student at a time." Formal wear is suggested; black tie and masks are optional.

National Volunteer Week at Jacobsburg

Help Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center celebrate National Volunteer Week on Saturday, April 13 from 10 am to 3 pm. Join the Jacobsburg staff for a variety of stewardship projects in the park as we get ready for the spring school season! Please dress for the weather and bring a lunch and work gloves. Participants should meet at the Visitor Center located at 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth. Registration is required.

You can also view and register for community programs online at http://events.dcnr.pa.gov/. If you need an accommodation to participate in a program please contact the park office at 610-746-2801 or jacobsburgsp@pa.gov. With at least three days notice, interpreters for people who are deaf or hard of hearing are available for educational programs.



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Senator Mario Scavello to Host College & Career Fair

State Senator Mario Scavello will host a College & Career Fair on Thursday, April 25th from 5pm to 8pm at Nazareth Area High School (501 E. Center Street, Nazareth). Admission is free to the public.

The fair includes over 45 exhibitors for students pursuing college, the skilled trades and military careers. A special financial aid informational session will be offered for parents sending their child to college. The session will specifically address the process of navigating PHEAA, FAFSA, scholarship applications and other available aid for students.

"When a student makes the decision to go to college or trade school, it can be an exciting, yet daunting process," said Senator Scavello. "This event is a great opportunity for individuals to meet with representatives from educational institutions around the Commonwealth, the Armed Forces and technical schools to learn more about the programs they offer. The informational session will also give parents greater peace of mind as they learn about the financial aid available to allow them to send their children to the institution of their choice."

The informational session begins at 6:00 p.m. For a full list of exhibitors or to register for the special session, please visit www.senatorscavello.com/learn-more.

For more information, please contact Senator Mario Scavello's Northampton County district office at 610-863-1200.

State Senator Mario Scavello represents the 40th Senatorial District, which includes portions of Monroe and Northampton Counties. To find out more information regarding this event or any state-related issue, please visit www.senatorscavello.com or email mscavello@pasen.gov.

Here's How Tax Reform Affects Taxpayers who Claim the Child Tax Credit

Many people claim the child tax credit to help offset the cost of raising children. Tax reform legislation made changes to that credit for 2018 and later. Here are some important things for taxpayers to know.

Credit amount. The new law increases the child tax credit from \$1,000 to \$2,000. Eligibility factors for the credit have not changed. As in past years, a taxpayer can claim the credit if all of these apply:

The child was younger than 17 at the end of the tax year The taxpayer claims the child as a dependent

The child lives with the taxpayer for at least six months of the year

Credit refunds. The credit is refundable, now up to \$1,400. If a taxpayer doesn't owe any tax before claiming the credit, they

will receive up to \$1,400 as part of their tax refund.
Earned income threshold. The income threshold to claim the credit has been lowered to \$2,500 per family. This means a family must earn a minimum of \$2,500 to claim the credit.

Phaseout. The income threshold at which the child tax credit begins to phase out is increased to \$200,000, or \$400,000 if married filing jointly. This means that more families with children younger than 17 qualify for the larger credit.

New credit for other dependents. Dependents who can't be claimed for the child tax credit may still qualify for the new credit for other dependents. This is a non-refundable credit of up to \$500 per qualifying person. These dependents may also be dependent children who are age 17 or older at the end of the tax year. It also includes parents or other qualifying relatives supported by the taxpayer.

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Slate Belt Heritage Center Schedule of Events Spring Opening Saturday, April 13th

Thursday, April 11th, 7:00 PM: "Pennsylvania-German Folk Art" Thursday, May 9th, 7:00 PM:

"Structural Slate Company" by Kenton Lerch

Thursday, June 20th, 7:00 PM: "Annual Preservation Awards" Thursday, July 11th, 7:00 PM: "Geology & History of Geologic Resources in the Slate Belt" by Edward Henning.

Thursday, August 8th, 7:00 PM: TBA

Thursday, September 12th, 7:00 PM: "Anniversary of Normandy" by Russ Stout

Thursday, October 10th, 7:00 PM: "Annual Haunted Heritage

Sunday, November 10th, 2:00 PM: "Bangor-Pen Argyl 100th Game" by Walter Cole.

Sunday, December 8th, 2:00 PM: "The Great Slate Belt Trivia Contest" hosted by Emcee Marc Blau.

Sunday, January 12th, 2020, 2:00 PM: "History of the Mummers" by Melissa Hough.

The Heritage Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA. Open to the public Saturdays and Sunday 12:00pm-3:00pm, April through October, and Sundays 12:00pm-3:00pm, November through March. Admission is FREE. Private tours are available upon request.

Slate Belt Chamber Scholarship Applications

The Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce applications for Scholarship Achievement Award 2019 are available at the guidance departments of Bangor High School, Pen Argyl High School, Faith Christian & Career Institute of Technology.

The Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce will award one scholarship to a senior from each of the four area schools: Bangor, Pen Argyl, Faith Christian & Career Institute of Technology. Applicants must reside in the Slate Belt to apply.

The scholarships will be presented to the students based upon the following criteria; academic accomplishment, demonstrated service to school and/or community. demonstration of leadership capabilities and future vocational plans.

Please note: A separate award, The Frederick R. Curcio, Jr. Scholarship Award, may also be applied for at this time. To qualify a senior must been enrolled in a computer science related course or planning to attend a Technical School of their choice or majoring in computer science. Applications must be received by April 15, 2019.

To honor the recipients, parents and friends, a Scholarship Awards Dinner is planned for May 17th at Tuscarora Inn. For more information contact the guidance department or the chamber office at 610-588-1000.

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Bangor Women's Club GFWC News

The Bangor Women'ps Club has announced that their annual scholarship applications are available to students. The Scholarship is \$1000 to a senior who will be attending college this fall. Deadline to submit applications is April 15, 2019. Scholarship Applications are available at Bangor High School and Faith Christian School guidance offices. The Bangor Women's Club GFWC will be holding a card party on Thursday April 11th, at 11:30am at Prince of Peace Church, Johnsonsville, PA. A soup and sandwich lunch will be served with dessert. Table and door prizes will be awarded. Anyone interested in attending may contact Barbara at 610-588-0196 to reserve your spot. The club Arndt's Lutheran Church, 1805 Arndt Rd, Easton, will host a invites you to come and enjoy an afternoon of good food and fun.

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Holy Family School Gets Grant from Martin Guitar

Holy Family School received a \$5,000 grant from the Martin Guitar Charitable Foundation and seven new student guitars made at the Martin Guitar Co. in Nazareth. (SBHC), located at The grant will help to fund guitar lessons at the school and the guitars are valued at more than \$300 each.

The Slate Belt Heritage Center (SBHC), located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA will

"It's something that we weren't able to offer before," said Christine Bruce, the school's principal. "This just adds one more feather to our cap."

Holy Family School provides instrument lessons for all of the band instruments and violin, but until now, guitar was not possible.

In addition to the grant, HFS received an eighth guitar as a donation from Guitar Villa, also in Nazareth. Its owner, John Slog, is an alumni of HFS and wanted to make the lessons possible for another child. One of his employees, Mackenzie Lynch-Brown is teaching the 50 minute lessons.

"He's a great young man," Bruce said. "He was so willing to teach the lessons that he said he would come twice a week."

Only students in fourth through seventh grade, who do not already study an instrument, were eligible for lessons. Bruce said she wanted to make instrument lessons in general available to as many children as possible in the school and for the children to have least two years of lessons before they graduate from the school.

The students were very excited to see the news guitars and hold them. They couldn't resist strumming the strings in the school's chapel.

"They were so enamored with their guitars," Bruce said. "They heard them saying, 'I love this. I just love this'."

The grant was also made possible through the efforts of Bruce Mariano, who told the school about it and delivered the guitars and the check to the school when the grant was awarded.



These Holy Family School students held their new guitars for the first time. Seven guitars were donated by the Martin aGuitar Charitable Foundation and one guitar was donated by Guitar Villa, both in Nazareth. The students include, from left to right in the front row, Andrew Wake, Ryan Schuster and Victor Joseph. In the back row, the students are Jackson Bruce, Claire Martocci, Matthew Schuster, Elizabeth Ecker and Evan Crescenzo.

Slate Belt Heritage Center News

The Slate Belt
Heritage Center
(SBHC), located at
30 North 1st Street,
Bangor, PA will
be celebrating its
20th Anniversary in
conjunction with its'
Spring Opening on
Saturday, April 13th
Featured this year in
the Council Chamber.



will be "We the People: Folk Art for the Slate Belt". We the people means "hand-made" and not mass produced. The featured folk art and crafts will tell about the creative drive, the diverse culture and the sense of identity that we share in the Slate region. Slate Belt people crafted many items like, slate whimsies and fancy needlework that demonstrate their skill and communicate a personal or community message. Some use traditional designs that reflect immigrant roots. Come and see rare "slate fans" that show a slate splitter's skill. Check out the show towels, quilts and fancy work that women made to demonstrate their talent with a needle to make a comfortable home for their families. Folk art has a practical use, but it is amazing to see and helps us understand who we are and from where we came. Items shown will be from the late 1700's to the present.

The Heritage Center occupies the former 1907 Bangor Town Hall in the heart of the Slate Belt. Displays focus on the lives of people who settled this part of America, from the Lenape to the waves of immigrants-the Scots-Irish, German, Cornish, Welsh, Italian, Jewish and others whose families live here today. The Heritage Center also houses rooms for the textile and slate industries, in addition to the Homefront and Fire rooms.

The Heritage Center is a not-for-profit 501(c) 3 organization whose mission is: To establish and offer for public view and educational purposes: artifacts, displays, DVD's, oral histories, genealogies and research information that reflect local Slate Belt history and heritage, and to perpetuate our Slate Belt Heritage, ethnic contributions, industry and history so that future generations may learn and appreciate our valued past.

SBHC presents Preservation Awards to people who preserve Slate Belt heritage and hosts students and teachers ranging from local 4th graders to East Coast Universities. The Center preserved nearly 3000 Slate Belt treasures which inspire heritage murals, historic building rehabs, family research and trips down memory lane. SBHC produces programs, exhibits, and tours for community groups, schools, special events, reunions and other museums.

The Center is open to the public Saturdays and Sunday 12:00-3:00 PM April through October, and Sundays 12:00-3:00 PM November through March. Admission is FREE. Private tours are available upon request. Monthly presentations are held the second Thursday of each month from April-November at 7:00 PM and the second Sunday of each month from December-March at 2:00 PM. These programs are also FREE. Memberships are available at the Center. Follow the news on the website sbhc@frontier.com and Facebook Slate-Belt-Heritage-Center-SBHC.







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Signs of Spring



Opening day at Dinky's Ice Cream in Bangor. First customers of the season Lydia 6, and Natalie 2 enjoy ice cream.

Slate Belt Branch of GVYMCA To Expand

The Slate Belt Branch of the Greater Valley YMCA plans to begin construction on a pool and gymnasium this year.

The Slate Belt Branch of the Greater Valley YMCA plans to begin construction on a new, heated indoor pool and gymnasium in 2019. The Slate Belt Branch's ExpansionAdvisory Committee is working on finalizing the funding, but has already chosen Nu Cor Construction to build and oversee the project. Draft blueprints are dislayed in the Branch Welcome Center for all to see.

"We know that there is a community need for a gymnasium and pool, and we are making certain the resources are available to move forward with this project. We are taking steps to make sure that the Y additions that have been promised to the community become a reality. We take this project very seriously and are committed to completing the branch." said Greater Valley YMCA President/CEO David Fagerstrom.

Jennifer DeLong, the Branch Executive Director shares, "Thank you for your patience, understanding, andcommitment to the Slate Belt Branch of the Greater Valley YMCA as we move this project forward. We understand the benefits to the community that a new pool and gymnasium will bring. Our organization continues to be blessed with a caring membership, wonderful volunteers, dedicated donors, and a loyal community that supports the work that we do every day."

As the project moves forward, the YMCA will host a groundbreaking ceremony, as well as a grand re-opening and ribbon cutting event to highlight the new pool and gymnasium as member

benefits at this Y. The groundbreaking and ribbon-cutting ceremonies will be open to Y-members and the public.

To learn more about the Slate Belt Expansion Project, stop into the Branch to see the blueprints, or give us a call at 610-438-6065.

A pool and gymnasium has been a discussion among members, and in the community, for many years. In 2015, a pool and gymnasium had been part of the original scope of the project, but the project hit unforeseen barriers, which caused the gym and pool to be placed in phase two. The committee volunteers hope to break ground in the summer or fall 2019, with anticipated construction completion in 2020.

The new, heated indoor pool will benefit the community by offering a safe location for community members to swim all year round; the Y will provide swimming lessons to children, therapeutic water aerobics programs to those dealing with chronic pain, and healthy living aquatics programs for people of all ages. Through the addition of the gymnasium and pool, healthy living programs will be offered to the community to help combat obesity and offer solutions to chronic pain.

Start Each Day With a Positive Thought

Monroe County Historical Association Bus Trip

The Monroe County Historical Association will offer a bus trip fundraiser to Winterthur Museum and Gardens in Wilmington, Delaware on Tuesday, May 7th. The bus trip includes general admission to the museum with a tram tour of the gardens, entrance to the "Costuming the Crown" special exhibition with a 30-minute presentation by the Winterthur curator, lunch in the Garden Café, and chartered bus transportation.

Winterthur's special exhibit Costuming The Crown will feature 40 iconic costumes from the beloved and Emmy award-winning Netflix series The Crown, a dramatized

history of the reign of Queen Elizabeth. II.

The chartered bus will depart from BJ's Wholesale Club. Rt. 611 in Stroudsburg, PA at 7:00 a.m. and will return by approximately 7:30 p.m. An additional bus pick-up will be offered at the Lower Nazareth Target parking lot, Route 248 in Wilson with a morning pick-up at 7:45 a.m. and an evening drop-off at approximately 6:45 p.m.

Reservations with payment must be made by Friday, April 26th, and are accepted on a first come, first served basis as space is limited. Tickets are non-refundable. For tickets/cost and additional information, or to make a reservation, please contact the Monroe CountyHistorical Association at (570) 421-7703or e-mail at admin@monroehistorical.org. Please visit www.MonroeHistorical.org for additional details.

Slate Belt Rising Receives \$100.000 from Community Partners

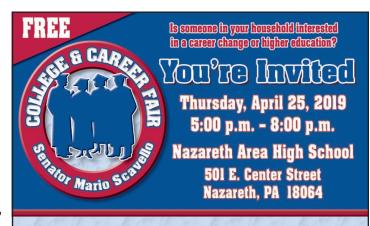
Representatives from the Grand Central Sanitary Landfill and Merchant's Bank presented \$50,000 each as part of their six-year commitment of funds to the Slate Belt Rising neighborhood revitalization initiative on April 3, 2019. The check presentation took place at Grand Central Landfill's main office. **Photos by Lisa Newberry**



Pictured Left to right: Brian Fenstermaker from Mario Scavello's office, Stephanie Steele (SB Rising) Steve Reider (SB Rising). Adrienne Fors, Community Relations Grand Central Landfill, Joe Statile (District Manager WM), and Larry Rice (SB Rising).



Brian Fenstermaker, from Sen. Mario Scavello's office, Stephanie Steele (SB Rising), Steve Reider (SB Rising), Rocco Del Vecchio,CEO Merchants Bank, Adrienne Fors, Community Relations Grand Central Landfill, and Larry Rice (Sb Rising)



I am hosting a free College & Career Fair on Thursday, April 25th from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Nazareth Area High School.

The fair includes exhibitors for people of all ages looking for a career change and/or higher education. Special informational sessions for parents sending their child off to college are as follows:

Financial Aid Review -**Paying for Higher Education**

- PHEAA FAFSA Available Aid Scholarships
- · How to Make Affordable Decisions

Session Begins @ 6:00 PM

For a List of Exhibitors and/or to Register for a Special Session go to www.senatorscavello.com/learn-more/.





Slate Belt Heritage

The Slate Belt Heritage will be participating in the Lehigh Valley's Passport to History Day, on Saturday, April 27, **2019**. This is a partnership of historic sites and resources in and around Lehigh and Northampton Counties (www.lvhistory. org). Join the Heritage Center for this celebration of sites, stories and community that bring Lehigh Valley history to life. Slate Belt residents are invited to bring a "Folk Art" item to the Centers' "Show-N-Tell" event on that day from 1:00 pm-2:30pm. Participants can share the story or simply ask the curator for information on their particular object. This event is free and open for the public's enjoyment. For additional information please contact: Karen Brewer at 484-894-5661.

Friends of the Bangor Public Library

The Friends of the Bangor Public Library are welcoming new members. The organization is a dynamic group of individuals who have a shared interest in providing funds for the library. in addition to promoting literacy and fun activities for the Slate Belt. The Friends meet the 4th Thursday of each month at the library. Their activities include: 2 public book sales, "Meet & Greet the Author", The Annual "Duck Derby" in downtown Bangor, A Wine Tasting and Breakfast with Santa. The friends are always looking for unique ways to serve the library so If you have ideas or would just like to be part of a worth- while group please consider joining. For additional information please contact: Karen Brewer at 484-894-5661.

42nd Annual PIAC St. Patrick's Day Parade sponsored by Pocono Irish American Club The 42nd Annual PIAC St Patrick's Day Parade was held on Sunday, March 24th. View more photos on our facebook page. Photos by Lisa Newberry.



State Representative Joe Emrick recently visited Pack 14 of Johnsonville and was awarded the Hometown Hero award by the Webelos Scouts. The Scouts were eager to ask him many questions and Joe Emrick did a wonderful iob answering them. It is great to see a State



Representative so involved with the local youth.

Bangor Area School District Music in Our Schools Concert

The Bangor Area High School Music in Our Schools Concert was held on Tuesday, April 2nd, at the M. Craig Paine Performing Arts Theater. The concert featured instrumental and choral ensembles from all levels. For dates of upcoming concerts visit bahsbands.weebly.com photos by Larry Cory SBTT



Dr. Seuss Day at Washington Elementary School

The annual Dr. Seuss Day at Washington Elementary School was held on Friday March 15th. Guest readers from St. Luke's, NCC, local community officers and BASD administration read to the students. This annual event has happened since 2014 through the partnership with the St. Luke's Anderson Campus to promote literacy to the students.

Photos by Lisa Newberry



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1/2 tsp freshly ground black pepper

Directions

Prep 10m · Cook 40m · Ready In 50m

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Press bottom pie crust into glass pie dish. In a large bowl, combine the spinach, salt, pepper, nutmeg, ricotta, mozzarella, Parmesan, and Cheddar cheeses. Mix together well and pour into bottom pie crust. Place second pie crust on top of filling and trim edges. Bake at 350° F (175° C) for 40 minutes. Let stand 10 minutes and cut into wedges.



Bangor Area High School presents the Musical "Mamma Mia"

Bangor Area High School presented the musical "Mamma Mia" on March 29th, 30th, and 31st at the M. Craig Paine Performing Arts Theater. View more photos on our Facebook page.

Photos by Nick Pulsinelli and Lisa Newberry



APRIL National Pet First Aid Awareness Month FIRST AID

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Pet Photos with the Easter Bunny Saturday, April, 6th at Prince of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church Bangor, PA. Hosted by Slate Belt Animal Advocacy Group & Prince of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church. Payments can me made through PayPal by April 4th, then message us via Facebook private message to schedule your private session. Choose your time from the available slots. Walk-Ins welcome as available. Appointments will take priority. PAYPAL: SlateBeltAnimalAdvocacyGroup@gmail.com All pets must be on a short leash. You must maintain control of your pet at all times.

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The St. John's Pet Food Pantry in Pen Argyl is in need of pet food donations. Currently they help to feed 46 dogs and 99 cats. Donations of wet and dry cat and dog food are needed. To make a donation, or for more information, please call Clint 610-863-7261. Your donations are greatly appreciated to continue helping to feed the animals.

Cheezy Dog Treats

Ingredients

1 C rolled oats 1/3 C margarine

1 C boiling water

1 C shredded Cheddar cheese 3/4 C cornmeal 1 egg, beaten 2 tsps white sugar 3 cups whole wheat flour

2 tsps beef bouillon granules 1/2 C milk

Directions

Prep 30m . Cook 30m . Ready In 1h

Preheat oven to 325° F (165° C). In a large bowl, combine rolled oats, margarine, and boiling water. Let stand 10 minutes. Grease cookie sheets. Thoroughly stir in cornmeal, sugar, bouillon, milk, Cheddar cheese, and egg. Mix in flour, 1 cup at a time, until a stiff dough has formed. Knead dough on a lightly floured surface, mixing in additional flour as necessary until dough is smooth and no longer sticky. Roll or pat out dough to 1/2" thickness. Cut with cookie cutter (I prefer bone shaped), and place 1 inch apart onto the prepared cookie sheets. Bake 35 to 45 minutes in the preheated oven, until golden brown. Cool before serving. Store in a loosely covered container.



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old, spayed, fully vaccinated, microchipped and ready for a fresh start. Come visit her today!

NATASHA is a buff beauty who looks like a feline supermodel. Sweet girl came from a loving home and was surrendered when her person entered a nursing home. Natasha



loves other cats and would blossom in a home with feline brothers and sisters. But what she wants the most is a soft place to rest her head. Natasha is 8 years old, spayed, up to date on vaccinations, microchipped and ready to meet you. Come see Natasha today!

The AWSOM Animal Shelter is located at 3129 Godfrey Ridge Drive, Stroudsburg, PA 18360. Adoptions hours are 11AM to 4PM, 7 days a week. Volunteer opportunities are always available. Stop in or call 570-421-DOGS for more information.

The AWSOM Animal Wellness Center is open Monday thru Friday for all your basic veterinary needs. Check out our low-cost veterinary services, including spay and neutering, vaccinations, dental care and more. Call 570-424-1060 for more information or to make an appointment.

Visit our website at AwsomAnimals.org

Moorestown Garden Cub News

The Moorestown Garden Cub held its monthly meeting on Tuesday April 2nd at the Salem UCC Fellowship Hall, 2218 Community Drive, Bath. Steve Albanese of Albanese Garden Center and Mario Giordano of Giographic Outdoor Experts gave wide ranging, interactive, and wonderfully entertaining presentations on how to "Maintain and Update Outdoor Living Space for Spring" and "The Spotted Lantern Fly". The speakers gave yard and garden ready tips for plantings, water management, tree care from roots to twigs, lighting, and management of the invasive and highly destructive spotted lantern fly.



Linda Bray Spring Wreath

Congratulations to them all for their lovely work. The club will hold its Annual Plant Auction with

The winners of April's arrangement awards are Linda Bray for "Spring Wreath" and Carol Bear and Linda Kortz for their interpretations of "Tax Day" a triangular arrangement.



Carol Bear Tax Day

Jim Dotta of Dotta Auction House wielding the gavel on Tuesday May 7th at 7pm at the Salem UCC Fellowship Hall. Members will supply a stunning selection of perennials, annuals, bulbs, and tubers. This is a great way for home gardeners to add some wonderful new blooms to their gardens at affordable prices. Bring a box to carry away your treasures. Admission is free, and the public is always welcome.



Linda Kortz Tax Day





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APRIL EVENTS

afternoons.

Molly Brown Scams Part 1, Tuesday, April 2, 10:00am Events Committee Meeting, Thursday, April 4, 12:15pm Baseball, Friday, April 5, 10:00am AARP, Monday, April 8, 1:00pm Baseball and ice cream sundae's, Thursday, April 11, 12:15pm

Molly Brown Scams, Part 2, Friday, April 12, 10:00am Deja' the Therapy Dog, Tuesday, April 16, 10:00am CLOSED, Thursday, April 18th CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY, Friday, April 19th Mail Box Fraud, Tuesday, April 23, 10:00am Council Meeting, Thursday, April 25, 9:00am SPRING CELEBRATION- DINNER AND MUSIC WITH BILL REESE,10:30-3:00 (RESERVATIONS REQUIRED) CLOSED, Monday, April 29

SCAVELLO, AMERICAN LEGION TO OFFER VETERANS ASSISTANCE DAY APRIL 9TH AT MONROE COUNTY DISTRICT OFFICE ART CLUB

Harrisburg -- Senator Mario Scavello (R-40) and the American Legion will be holding a Veterans Assistance Day on April 9th at the senator's Monroe County district office. This service is offered on the second Tuesday of each month. The district office is located at 2398 Route 611, Suite 201, Scotrun, PA. From 10:00am to 2:00pm, a service officer with the American Legion Pennsylvania Department will be on site to assist veterans with issues including: compensation and pension claims, education benefits. enrollment in the VA health care system, burial and survivor benefits, state benefits, and obtaining military personnel and medical records. Veterans do not need to be a member of the American Legion to receive these services. Please contact the Tannersville office to schedule an appointment at 570-620-4326. You can follow Senator Scavello on Twitter and Facebook.

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SLATE BELT AARP CHAPTER 4135

Slate Belt AARP Chapter 4135 will hold its next meeting on **Monday, April 8th, at 1:00pm** at the Slate Belt Senior Center on 707 American Bangor Road, Bangor, PA. Everyone is welcome to attend.

SLATE BELT YOUNG AT HEART CLUB

The Slate Belt Young at Heart Club will be meeting on Thursday, April 18, 2019, at 1:00pm at St.

Elizabeth's Church Hall in Pen Argyl. This group is open to all senior citizens regardless of race, religion or creed. The club will be sponsoring a trip on Wednesday, June 26th to the Pennsylvania State Capitol, followed by a visit to the Hershey tour and a trolley tour through the town of Hershey- This trip is open to the public and all ages,including students. Also, the club will be sponsoring a trip to the American Music Theatre on Wednesday, November 6, 2019, to the the Christmas musical. For more information, please call Mary Lou DeRea-Lohman at 610-863-4846 or 610-844-4630."

Thanks and God bless

SLATE BELT SENIOR CENTER

Pictured: Morgan Shafer and Wanda Hoffman: two of the senior artists working on their creative works of art Photo submitted by Marcia Schiavone



"Getting old is like climbing a mountain; you get a little out of breath, but the view is much better!" Ingrid Bergman

SLATE BELT MEN'S QUOIT LEAGUE

March 28, 2019

2018-2019 SLATE BELT MEN'S OUOIT LEAGUE – LEAGUE TOURNAMENT

SINGLES

1 Rob George

2 Dave Flick, Sr.

3 Jody Zengulis

4 Chuck Klingle

DOUBLES

1 Chad Kreider and Ryan Kreider

2 Dave Flick, Sr. and Dave Flick, Jr.

3 Rob George and Steve Policelli

4 Nick LaBar and Justin Ott

NOTE : Jody Zengulis (Bangor Elks) threw a four-timer over A.J. Gilliland (Bangor Elks) in the SBMQL League Tournament Semi-Finals held at Columbia Fire Co. on March 21, 2019



BANGOR AND PEN ARGYL TRACK & FIELD

The Bangor boys defeated Pen Argyl 104-46 during a Track & Field Meet at Paul Farnan Field Tuesday, April 2nd. The Bangor girls also won 83-63. Photos by Larry Corv SBTT



News from NCC

Award-Winning Artist to Give Watercolor Course at NCC

Beverly Murbach-Erhardt was named "Artist of the Year" by an Easton arts organization.

Award-winning Beverly Murbach-Erhardt will be teaching "Painting with Watercolors" at Northampton Community College's (NCC) Easton Educational Outreach Center, 25 South Third Street, on Tuesdays,through April 9th, 2:00 - 4:00 pm, The course, for both beginners and intermediate-level painters, will devote each class to a different subject and technique. For costs, to register, visit www.northampton.edu/lifelearn.

NCC to Hold Annual Patrick J. Kraus Drawing Competition and Exhibit - The work of first-year art students will be on display.

See the work of Northampton Community College's (NCC) first-year art students at the juried Patrick J. Kraus Drawing Competition **through Tuesday, April 9th,** in the gallery at Communications Hall, on NCC's Bethlehem Campus, 3835 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem Township. A reception will take place on April 9, 11:00 a.m. - noon.

The annual competition was established by the late John "Duke" Kraus, former NCC bookstore manager and his wife, Katherine, in memory of their son, Patrick Kraus, a talented young artist who attended NCC in the 1985-86 academic Year.

Admission is free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday - Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. The gallery is closed on Sunday.

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April 4 & April 11

Polk Township Volunteer Fire Company
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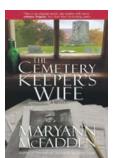
2718 Mountain View Drive, Moore Township Doors open at 5:00 PM · Bingo starts at 7:00 PM April 10 & April 17

Bushkill Vol Fire Company

Doors open at 5:00 PM · Bingo starts at 7:00 PM

Blue Mountain Community Library to Host Lunch with an Author

The Blue Mountain Community Library invites you to "LUNCH WITH AN AUTHOR" on Thursday, April 25th, at Grace United Methodist Church, 404 E. Mountain Ave., Pen Argyl, PA. The Church is handicapped accessible with ample parking. (Enter from the lower parking lot.) Local author, Maryann McFadden will discuss her novel "The Cemetery Keeper's Wife," her longest and most challenging work to date. It tells the story of two brave and complicated women, one real and one fictional, and an unlikely bond that transcends more



than a century as they search against all odds for love, redemption and a place to belong. McFadden moved at age 10 from Brooklyn, NY to Hackettstown, NJ and lived near Union Cemetery. She became intrigued by a monument in the Cemetery. The name and picture on the monument was of Tillie Smith, a 19 year old woman who "Died in Defense of Her Honor." This haunted Maryann and

she felt as if she was meant to write this novel, to give Tillie a voice. McFadden will have a question and answer session about her book and a Book signing. Copies will be available to purchase. Tickets are limited and must be purchased in advance. Tickets may be purchased at the Library, located at 216 S. Robinson Ave., Pen Argyl, PA through April 18th. Hours are M-SA, 10:00 am to Noon, and M-Th, 6:00-8:00 pm. Call Lisa at 610-863-3029 for information or visit www.bmcl.org. Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/bmclpenargyl.

New Editions at The Blue Mt Community Library

Adult Fiction: The Lost Girls of Paris, Pam Jenoff; The Crooked Street, Brian Freeman; The Red Address Book, Sofia Lundberg; The Wedding Guest, Jonathan Kellerman; The Au Pair, Emma Rous; More Than Words, Jill Santopolo; Walking Shadows, Faye Kellerman; The Dead Ex, Jane Corry; The Rule of Law, John Lescroart; Judgment, Joseph Finder; The Wartime Sister, Lynda Cohen Loigman; An Anonymous Girl, Greer Hendricks; The Magnolia Inn, Carolyn Brown; Wildflower Heart, Grace Green; The Current, Tim Johnston; Cemetery Road, Greg lles; The Silent Patient, Alex Michaelides.

Adult Large Print: Of Blood and Bone, Nora Roberts; Never Tell. Lisa Gardner.

Adult Non-fiction: The First Conspiracy, Brad Meltzer; Unexampled Courage, Richard Gergel; The Heartbeat of Wounded Knee. David Treuer.

The library is located at 216 S. Robinson Ave. in Pen Argyl. Hours are Mon.-Sat. 10:00 am to Noon, and Mon.-Thurs. 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Call Lisa at 610-863-3029 for information or visit the website is www.bmcl.org. Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/bmclpenargyl.

New in the Bangor Public Library

Adult Fiction - Americanah by Chimamanda Adichie; Ghosts of Manhattan by Douglas Brunt; The Last

Second by Catherine Coulter; The

Beguiled by Thomas Cullinan; Celtic Empire by Clive Cussler; One Simple Wish by Kathy Lee; Run Away by Harlan Coben; Descent by Tim Johnston; A Separation by Katie Kitamura; The Widow Waltz by Sally Koslow; Deep Harbor by Fern Michaels; The Cornwells Are Gone by James Patterson: The Fifth Doctrine by Karen Robards: The Tiger in the House by Jacqueline Sheehan; The Girl in the Garden by Melanie Wallace: Wild Card by Stuart Woods.

Adult Non Fiction - It's Called a Break Because it's Broken by Greg Behrendt; The Complete Beer Guide by Brian Glover; How to Select and Grow African Violets by Theodore James.

Junior Fiction - A Christmas Surprise by Sue Bentley; A Summer Spell by Sue Bentley; A Circus Wish by Sue Bentley; A Glittering Gallop by Sue Bentley; Classroom Chaos by Sue Bentley; Double Trouble by Sue Bentley; Moonlight Mischief by Sue Bentley; Seaside Mystery by Sue Bentley; Sparkling Steps by sue Bentley; Star Dreams by Sue Bentley: Across the Wide and Lonesome Prairie by Kristiana Gregory; Thea Stilton and the Mystery in Paris by Thea Stilton: Thea Stilton and the Mystery on The Orient Express by Thea Stilton: Thea Stilton and the Prince's Emerald by Thea Stilton; Thea Stilton, Big Trouble in The Big Apple by Thea Stilton.

Easy Fiction - We Are The Gardeners by Joanna Gaines; The Stray Dog by Marc Simont.

Audio Books - The Island of Sea Women by Lisa See. DVD's - Aquaman; Ocean's 8; Palo Alto; Shark Tale; Strawberry Shortcake: Let's Dance.

Bangor Public Library News

The Bangor Public library is happy to announce a new policy for kids to take responsibility for their own fines. Starting now if a junior patron (ages 15 years old or under) owes fines on their card only they may read their fines away. The junior patron will be required to read at the library in front of one of the staff members. Junior patrons will fill out a reading log; every half hour that they read will equal \$1.00 off their fines. Fines can only be read off junior patron cards. The library believes that with this new policy junior patrons will learn responsibility as well as filling in the reading gap that so many kids face today. For more information please contact the library at 610-588-4136. On April 20th, from 1:00pm to 3:00pm the Bangor Public Library will be hosting a meet the author event. Come hear the author read her story The Boy without a Friend. The event is for kids ages 3 to 7 years old. As space is limited please register with the library 610-588-4136

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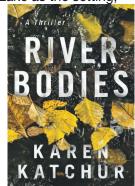


Meet the Author Karen Shoemaker Katchur

The Friends of the Bangor Public Library will hold their annual "Meet the Author" on Saturday, April 27th @ 10:00 AM, at the library. Featured, will be local author Karen Shoemaker Katchur, Ms. Katchur, a former Bangor High School graduate, is an awardwinning suspense novelist with a Bachelor of Science in criminal justice and a Master's in Education. She is an active member of International Thriller Writers

and Mystery Writers of America. Ms. Katchur will present her latest novel, "River Bodies" which has its' setting taking place in Portland, PA. "A body just turned up in the small town and the crime is eerily similar to a twenty-year old cold case: another victim, brutally murdered found in the Delaware River". Her previous novels include: The Secrets of Lake Road with Saylor's Lake as the setting,

and The Sisters of Blue Mountain, with the setting at East Bangor Dam. Her next novel. Cold Woods is due out in August, 2019. The event is free and open to the public but registration is required due to limited seating. Call the library at 610-588-4136 to reserve a seat. For additional information please contact: Karen Brewer at 484-894-5661.



Snows of April By Robert L. Martin

April, our lady who opens the door To plush green gardens on nature's floor, Predictable as the morn until the night, Casting shadows, what a glorious sight, Along the forests and budding trees, Blowing kisses in a springtime breeze.

But sometimes she's of capricious moods, Unpredictable as winter's sting concludes, Sometimes hanging around for another round Of snow piling up on the seasonal ground. "April fool," she laughs out loud, From her place above the bamboozled crowd.

26 ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



Roi and the Secret People

Article and photo by Nick Pulsinelli Roi and the Secret People is a band originally formed by Mike Roi and several of his friends in New York City. With a lot of friends in the music scene in the early 2000s, the name allowed

him and his friends to perform together despite the fact that many of them had other projects going on at the same time. The Secret People meant though everyone knew each other, members weren't permanently tied down to RSP and allowed other people to fill in the missing parts. When Mike Roi moved to Easton in 2010, the Secret People still continued to flourish.

With a current line up of Mike Roi on Guitar and Vocals, Craig Martyn on drums and vocals, Glen Radomski on bass guitar, Ed Golden on guitar, and Jason Hedrington on keyboard and moog synthesizer, RSP focuses on playing original music selections with the intent of allowing audiences to enjoy a truly unique experience. Even with RSP being a 5 piece band, the members often can break down to a 2 piece acoustic set, 3 piece acoustic or the full 5 piece band to fit in any venue without sacrificing the energy or captivating nature of each of the parts. With new music being written, they're currently working an album to follow their previous release of "Truck Stop Sushi' which hailed positive review from critics and fans alike. The band also has received nominations and awards over the past 4 years at the Lehigh Valley Music Awards. In 2017, RSP was recognized as the "Best Overall Rock Band", as well as Mike Roi receiving the "Best Overall Performer". With each passing year, RSP continues to evolve into a more complex and entertaining group surely to please fans of all styles of both classic and alternative rock.

Roi and the Secret People will be doing acoustic sets on April 8th at Colonial Pizza in Easton at 8:00pm, April 13th at the Riegelsville Inn at 8:00 pm and July 13th at Pearly Bakers with guests Boho Mule starting at 10:00 pm.

RSP also released a live CD from last years Five Acre Fest available through their website. With constantly updating events, keep up to date on their latest news and events on their website www.roiandthesecretpeople.com or on Facebook as well.

We'd also like to Congratulate Mike Roi on receiving this years LVMA for Music Educator Award for his work teaching and encouraging his students.



WEEKEND ENTERTAINMENT

THE SLATE PUB

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Friday, 4/5 - Karaoke Contest starting at 10:00pm Saturday, 4/6 - DJ Dugout Dave at 10:00pm

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Friday, 4/5 - Almost Queen at 8:00pm Friday, 4/12 - Golden Gate Wingmen w/ The Heavy Pets at 8:00pm Saturday, 4/13 - Start Making Sense: Talking

Saturday, 4/13 - Start Making Sense: Talking Heads Tribute at 8:00pm

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Saturday, 4/27 - Stillcraft Band at 9:00pm SUNSET BAR & GRILL

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Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center Community Programs Spring 2019

National Volunteer Week

Saturday, April 13 at 10:00am to 3:00pm

Help us celebrate National Volunteer Week! Join the Jacobsburg staff for a variety of stewardship projects in the park as we get ready for the spring school season! Please dress for the weather and bring a lunch and work gloves. Participants should meet at the Visitor Center located at 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth. Registration is required.

Family Night: Earth Day

Friday, April 19 at 6:00pm to 7:30pm

Join us for a celebratory hike as we honor Earth Day! We'll learn the importance of service to the place we call home by collecting litter while taking a two-mile hike around the center. We will also craft a memento to help us commemorate the day. Wear shoes that can get muddy and clothes that can get a little dirty. Registration is required.

April 17th, 17to a.m. - 1215 p.m., at the Bethlenen of Campus, in the David A. Reed Community Room, #220, College Center, 3835 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem. He will also discuss his 2016 experience as a Water Protector and his dedication to environmental conservation, in addition to demonstrating a Native American dance.

Hike for Health

Wednesday, April 10 and May 8 at 5:30pm to 7:00pm

Join us after work for a hike with a St. Luke's University health professional! Get some exercise while learning about health and fitness outdoors. Each hike will include a presentation from a guest health professional on topics such as physical fitness, stretching, and nutrition. A different guest will hike with us each month, sharing a topic that they specialize in. We will hike at a brisk pace over uneven terrain for 2 to 2.5 miles guided by a center educator. Our guest will be available during the hike to discuss the topic of the day and answer your questions. This program is being provided in partnership with St. Luke's University Health Network and the Get Your Tail on the Trail initiative. Meet at the Visitor Center at 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth, PA. Registration is not required.

Earth Day 2019 at Jacobsburg

Monday, April 22 at 10:00am to 3:00pm

Help Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center celebrate Earth Day by participating in one of the many stewardship projects in the park, including invasive plant removal, native garden clean-up, and litter pick-ups. Event is rain or shine. Please dress for the weather, bring a lunch and work gloves. Meet at the Visitor Center at 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth. Your help will be greatly appreciated! Fishing Rods and Tackle Available

When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00 AM-2:30 PM

Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth Borrow fishing poles and tackle to use in Jacobsburg's creeks! To borrow equipment, you must provide a driver's license or other form of state issued identification. Persons age 16 and older must possess a current fishing license to fish. Adults can help children under 16 fish without a license. Bait is not provided. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email jacobsburgsp@pa.gov.

DiscoverE Adventure Backpacks Available When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00 AM-2:30 PM

Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth Borrow a backpack full of kid-friendly tools to explore Jacobsburg! These backpacks are best for families with young children. Each backpack includes binoculars, notepad, colored pencils, magnifying lens, bug box, dip net, and five field guides for exploring the pond, insects, birds, trees, butterflies and moths. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email jacobsburgsp@pa.gov.

You can also view and register for community programs online at http://events.dcnr.pa.gov/. If you need an accommodation to participate in a program please contact the park office at 610-746-2801 or jacobsburgsp@pa.gov. With at least three days notice, interpreters for people who are deaf or hard of hearing are available for educational programs.

Northampton Community College News

American History from Native American Perspective to be Told at NCC. Speaker is descendent of Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse.

Back by popular demand, Delwin Fiddler, Jr., a member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe and a descendent of Chiefs Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse, will tell American history from a Native American perspective, on **Tuesday**, **April 9th**, **11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.**, at the Monroe Campus of Northampton Community College, Room 202, Keystone Hall, 2411 Route 715, Tannersville. And on **Thursday**, **April 11th**, **11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.**, at the Bethlehem Campus, in the David A. Reed Community Room, #220, College Center, 3835 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem. He will also discuss his 2016 experience as a Water Protector and his dedication to environmental conservation, in addition to demonstrating a Native American dance.

Admission is open to the public and free. For more information, visit www.northampton.edu/events

NCC Presents: "The Bartender: Not Just Beverages and Bars!"

Revamp your bartending skills and wow your guests!

Northampton Community College (NCC) will offer "The Bartender Workshop," which combines field trips, guest speakers, job opportunity postings, and plenty of handson learning in the college's newly renovated beverage training facility at the Fowler Family Southside Center, Room 507, 511 East Third Street, Bethlehem.

NCC alumni Robert van Thiel, beverage director at Molinari's, and Lauren Givnin, bartender at 3rd & Ferry Fish Market, will take students from understanding the basics of drink recipes, the bar set up, concepts to key ingredients, speed techniques, etiquette benchmarks, how to control the costumer experience and much more.

Students will get behind the bar in NCC's training facility to build knowledge and confidence, culminating in the creation of their own signature drink recipe. Students will complete the PLCB RAMP Certification in this course.

The workshop will be held **Tuesdays and Thursdays** from 6:00 pm-9:00 pm April 16 - May 14. For costs/to register, go to northampton.edu/lifelearn and enter the class code FDBWK140.

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Arndt's Lutheran Church

1851 Arndt Road, Easton, PA 18040, 610-253-3732 Worship: Sat. 6:00 PM, Sun. at 8:15am Communion; 9:00am Children's Sunday School; 9:30am. Confirmation; 10:30am Worship. Holy Communion is celebrated on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month.

Bangor Church of the Nazarene

150 Bunny Trail, Bangor 9:30am Sunday School, 10:40am Worship Kenneth L. Bean, Pastor, (610) 588-6929

Belfast Bible

483 Belfast Road, Belfast 9:30am Sunday School (All Ages) 10:45am Worship, Evening Service 7 PM Pastor Michael Yaworski

Belfast Wesley United Methodist

607 School Street, Belfast 9:00am Children & Adult Sunday School, 10:00am Worship, followed by coffee fellowship. Pastor Paul Milligan, (610) 746-3652

Benders Mennonite Church

975 Benders Church Road, Pen Argyl 10:10am Worship, Food Bank 3rd Saturday of the month 9:00am - 11:00am (610) 863-9114

Bethel Bible Church of Mt. Zion

7742 N. Delaware Dr. (Rt 611) Martins Creek 9:00am Sunday School, 10:00am Worship Pastor Rick Tunis, (610) 250-9809 www.bethelbiblechurchofmtzion.org

Bushkill United Methodist Church

1330 Church Rd. Wind Gap (Bushkill Twnsp) www.bushkillumc.org Sunday Worship: 9:15. Sunday School for all: 10:30 Pastor Rick Edmund 484-880-6806

Christ Hamilton United Lutheran Church

419 Bossardsville Road, Stroudsburg, PA 18360 Worship Services 8:15am & 11:00am Sunday school 9:30am (3 years - adults) 570-992-4085, www.christhamilton.org, email: chulc@ptd.net

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church

703 S. Delaware Dr (Rt 611) Stone Church/Mt. Bethel Worship - 10:00am; Sunday School - 9:00am classes for toddlers - adults (Sept.- May) Summer Hours (June-Sept) 9:00am 610-588-7056 e: celcpaorg@yahoo.com www.celcpa.org

Community Baptist

Weona Park Center, Pen Argyl
7 PM Bible Study, Separate class for age 10 & under

Clearfield Bible Holiness Church

1502 Bushkill Center Road, Wind Gap 10:30am Sunday School. 11:15am & 2:00pm Worship Pastor Mike Beck, (570) 369-6563

Community Church Mount Pocono

1050 Memorial Blvd., Tobyhanna, PA 18466 Sundays 9:00am | 10:30am | 12:00pm

Community Presbyterian

1755 S. Delaware Drive, Mount Bethel 9:15am Sunday School, 10:30am Worship Coffee hour on last Sunday of every month cpcmba@peoplepc.com

(570) 897-6766, www.yourcpchurch.com

Cross Road Baptist Church

201 S Second Street, Bangor 9:30am Sunday School, 10:45am Worship Free Meal 2nd Sunday of Month 4:00-5:30 pm Breaking Bread Soup Kitchen Rev. Jay VanHorn, Pastor, 610-588-3966

www.crossroadbaptistbangor.com

East Bangor United Methodist Community Church

136 West Central Avenue, East Bangor, PA 9:15am Worship Service w/Kids Church, 10:30am Adult Forum, After-Church Fellowship (Last Sunday), 4:00-5:30 PM Free Dinner (1st Sunday) Pastor David Goss (610) 588-4453 Dial-A-Message (610) 588-3896 www.ebumc.org

Faith Alive Community Church

10 Mechanic Street, Wind Gap 10:00am Worship,10:45am Children's Church and Next Level (Grades 7-12) Pastor Matthew Whistler, (610) 863-6911 www.faccpa.org

Faith United Presbyterian

218 W. Penna. Avenue, Pen Argyl Sun: Worship/Church School 10:00am (610) 863-4447

Family Life Community Church

1115 Richmond Road, Bangor 10:00am Worship Service Pastor Mike Poppa, (610) 588-3736, www.flccbangor.com

Faith Lutheran Church, LCMS

2012 Sullivan Trail, Easton (Forks Township)
Phone, 610-253-1625 email: faithlcms@outlook.com
Sunday Worship 8:00am and 10:30am.
Sunday School for all, 9:15am.
Holy Communion celebrated, each service
P. 610-253-1625 E: faithlcms@outlook.com
Rev. Christopher Crume

First United Evangelical

25 South 2nd Street, Bangor Sunday School at 9:30am Morning Worship at 10:30am

Pastor Ronald Shipman, (610)-588-3226

First United Methodist Church

Christian Preschool (ages 2 1/2 to 4)

55 N. 3rd St., Bangor Adult and Children Sunday Schools 9:45am Worship at 11:00am Communion first Sunday of the month. Pastor Chris Hardy 610-588-4673 www.FirstUMCBangor.com www.facebook.com/rstUnitedMethodistChurchBangor

Faith Family Fellowship

1002 Bushkill Center Road, Nazareth 10:00am Worship Service with fellowship time to follow

Pastor Robert Hampton, 484-408-9624

Flicksville United Church of Christ

1337 Lower South Main Street, Bangor, PA 18013 Pastor Ken Hess 610-588-4648 Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Worship at 10:45 a.m. All are welcome www.flicksvilleucc.com

First United Methodist

19 West & Water Street, Wind Gap 9:00am Adult Sunday School 10:00am Worship/Communion 11:00am Fellowship on 1st Sunday of each month Community Family Meal every Thursday 6 PM Pastor John Vidal (570) 426-0645 www.firstumcwg.com

Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church

2904 Church Road, Martins Creek 9:00am Worship

Pastor Louise Williams

Grace Lutheran Church

5907 Sullivan Trail, Nazareth 9:00am Service, 10:15am Sunday School, 10:30am Adult Forum

(610) 759-9080, www.gracebelfast.org

Grace United Methodist Church

404 Mountain Avenue, Pen Argyl 8:30am Contemporary Worship 10am Blended Service, Sunday School Nursery Care available at all services. 6:30 am Sunrise Service —in back parking lot of the

8:30 am Contemporary Easter Worship Service 10:00 am Blended Easter Worship Service Rev. J. Timothy Fisher (610) 863-4811 www.worshipatgrace.org

Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church

696 Johnson Road (Moore Township) Nazareth, PA 18064 610-759-7363 Sunday Worship: 8:00am, 9:30am and 11:00am www.holycrossnazareth.org

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

1501 Trinity Court, Stroudsburg 9:30am Divine Liturgy Sundays 6:30pm Vespers Saturday

(570) 421-4455, www.holytrinitypoconos.org

Hopesprings Community of Faith

301 Market Street, Bangor Meeting time 10:00am

855-info-hope., www.hopespringscommunity.org

Hope Lutheran Church

240 S. 8th Street, Tatamy, PA Pastor Herbert Dolich 9:00am Sunday School classes and Bible Study 10:30am Worship services Pastor Herbert Dolich

Hope UCC

701 Cherry Street, Wind Gap Worship Service 10:30am Communion the first Sunday of the month. Interim Pastor: Pastor Darlene K. Blocker

(610) 863-4474 hopewg.org

Living Waters Christian Church

396 Sterling Road Unit D, Tobyhanna Sunday: 9:15am Christian Education Worship 10:30am Rev. Dr. Jacqueline R. Walters (570) 350-4710 or (570) 629-5581 livingwaterscc@aol.com



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Mount Bethel Church

1270 Belvidere Corner Road, Mt. Bethel Pastor Chris Priestaf. (570) 897-7142

Sunday Service Schedule

8:30 & 11am Worship Services 9:45 Confirmation and Sunday School email office@mountbethelchurch.org www.mountbethelchurch.org

Mount Eaton Church

7277 Mt. Eaton Road, Saylorsburg Services: 6:30pm Saturday, 8:00am Sunday Traditional, 10:30am Sunday Contemporary, Pastor Doug Hayes, (570) 992-7050 mounteatonchurch.org

Nazareth Moravian Church

4 South Main Street, Nazareth, (610) 759-3163, Sunday 8:15am & 10:45am Worship; 9:30am Sunday School;

Northampton God's Missionary Church

4965 Nor Bath Blvd, Northampton, PA **Sundays:** 10:00am, and 6:30pm Daniel Richardson, pastor www.ngmc.church

Our Lady of Good Counsel

436 South 2nd Street, Bangor Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 8:30am Pastor Stephen L. Maco, (610) 588-5445

Portland Baptist Church

601 Delaware Avenue, Portland 9:00am Sunday School, 10:00am Fellowship, 10:30am Worship, Handicap accessible (570) 897-6866, www.portlandbaptistchurch.com

Presbyterian Church of the Mountain

Church Lane, Delaware Water Gap (570) 476-0345 Worship Service: 10:00am in the Sanctuary, Sunday School: during worship in the Fellowship House for ages 0-12 (childcare and class)

Holy Communion: 1st Sunday of each month

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

2445 Lake Minsi Drive, Bangor Every 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month at 5:30pm Worship & Holy Communion Sundays: 9:45am Worship & Communion Rev. Michael J. Scholtes, (610) 588-2355 www.popbangor.org

Presbyterian Parish of Bangor-Roseto

332 Kennedy Dr, Bangor, PA 18013 Sunday 10:30am Worship Service Rev. Albert Martin, (610) 588-4864 www.presbyparishbangorroseto.webs.com

Richmond United Methodist Church

8538 Delaware Drive, Bangor Sunday Service 10:00am; Children's Sunday School 10:00am

Pastor Ed Van Arsdale (610) 588-7317 www.richmondumc.com

Refiner's Fire Ministry

100 Division Street, Portland Sundays: Prayer 9:15am Worship 10:00am Pastors Phil and Jessica Karasiewicz 570-583-3101 refinersfireministry2006@gmail.com

Slate Belt - Nazareth Baptist Church

1620 Church Road, Pen Argyl Sunday: 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship & Children's Church (nursery

Pastor Steve Rrebert Jr, (540) 931-5628

The Roseto Independent Presbyterian Church

210 Garibaldi Avenue, Roseto 9:30am Service Rev. Barry Eng, (610) 599-9949

Salem United Church of Christ

2218 Community Drive Bath PA 18014 Worship 8:00am & 10:15am Sunday School, Confirmation Class, 9:00am; Pastor Kaye Lentz, (610) 759-1652 www.salemuccbathpa.org

St. Brigid's Episcopal Church

310 Madison Avenue, Nazareth 9:30am Holy Eucharist Rev. William Martin. (610) 746-3910 www.stbrigidspa.org

St. Elizabeth's Parish

300 West Babbitt, Pen Argyl Masses: 5:00pm Saturday, 8:00am, 9:30am & 11:00am Sunday - Handicap accessible

Rev. Msgr. Vincent P. York. (610) 863-4777

St. Luke's UCC

471 Belfast Road Belfast (Nazareth), PA Worship 10:30am - 1st Sunday of month Holy Communion

Rev. Cecilla and Rev. Jameson Baxter (610) 759-0244

www.stlukesuccbelfast.com

St. Mary's Episcopal

340 Lehigh Street, Wind Gap 9:00am Eucharist, Coffee hour follows service. Maundy Thursday Service 5:30 P.M. Easter Morning Service 9:00 a.m.

The Rev. Canon Joel Atkinson, priest in charge. (610) 863-8007

St. Matthew's UCC

102 Church Rd., Kunkletown, PA 18058 Traditional worship is 9:00am weekly, w/Communion 1st Sun. of the month;

Sunday School meets 10:30-11:30am weekly. Nursery, for infants and children up to age 5, available during 9:00am worship 610-381-2442 www.stmattsucckunkletown.com

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran

12 North Westbrook, Pen Argyl 8:45am Sunday School, 10am Worship. (610) 863-4332

St. Joseph's Episcopal

1440 Verona Drive, Pen Argyl 11:00am Eucharist, Coffee hour after service Good Friday Service 5:30 P.M. Easter Vigil Service 5:30 p.m. Saturday Evening April 20th No Easter Day service

The Rev. Canon Joel Atkinson, priest in charge.

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

1422 Church Road, Pen Argyl 8:00am & 10:15am Services, 9:00am Sunday School, Pastor Chris Druckenmiller (610) 863-6859 www.stpetersplainfield.com

If your worship time changes please email us at thebeltandbevond@gmail.com

St. Peter's UCC

401 Broad Street, Tatamy 10:00am worship all year; 10:00am Sunday school Sept.-May. Interim Pastor Dale Sattizahn (610) 252-6515

St. Peter's United Methodist Church

924 Rt. 115, Saylorsburg, PA Christian Education: 8:30am Sunday Worship: 10:00am www.stpetersum.webstarts.com

Phone: 570-992-7311 St. Vincent DePaul Catholic

Delaware Avenue, Portland 6:00pm Saturday, 10:30am Sunday Rev. Stephen L. Maco (610) 588-5445

The Salvation Army

301 W. Main Street, Pen Argyl, PA 18072 610-863-6677

Sundays: 10:00am Sunday School, Sunday services every Sunday from 11:00am-12:00pm. Tuesdays: Food Bank 10:00am-12:00pm

The Pentecostal Christian Church the Truth (Iglesia Pentecostal La Verdad)

4 Jory Avenue, Pen Argyl 12:00pm Sunday School (Escuela Dominical) 1:00pm Praise & Worship (Cuho Evanglistico) All invited to Bilingual Services Rev. Frank Pons

(570) 807-7794

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Rabbi Baruch Melman

570-421-8781

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran

404 Broadway, Bangor Sunday School 9:00am - Worship 10:15am Pastor Laine, 610-588-2023 www.tlcbangor.com

Trinity United Church of Christ

632 South Delaware Drive, Mt. Bethel Sunday School 9:15am & Worship 10:30am. Rev. Rodney W. Wells, (610) 588-1989

Zion Presbyterian Church

Water Street, Wind Gap 9:30am Service, Children's Sunday School during service. Visitors are welcomed! Rev. Sam Huffard

Zion United Lutheran Church

1919 Route 209 in Brodheadsville, PA Worship: Saturdays 5:00 PM informal spoken service, Sundays 8:00am with recorded music and 10:30am with choir. Sunday School for all ages at 9:15am.

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