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WEEKEND HAPPENINGS



12th Annual Liztech Bingo & Tricky Tray

Saturday, February 9th

Doors open at 11:00am Bingo at 1pm BRING THIS AD Food Available

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(Snow Date February 16th)



GRACE UMC TO SHOW NOAH

All are welcome to come on Sunday, February 10th at 7:00pm. Grace United Methodist Church at 404 E. Mountain Ave, Pen Argyl, PA to see a showing of Sight & Sound's production of "Noah" in the sanctuary. Mark your calendars and let your friends and neighbors know. There is no charge for this evening of fellowship. Refreshments will be served. Snow date Sunday, February 17th

WINTER EXPLORATION SNOWSHOE WALK AT LOUISE **MOORE PARK**

Join Wildlands Conservancy to discover animal track and winter wonders on the trails at Louise Moore Park via snowshoe. On Saturday, February 9th, 12:00pm to 1:30pm. Louise Moore Park, Pavilion 2, 151 Country Club Road, Upper Nazareth Township, PA 18045. Ages 8 and older. This program is free of charge. Registration is required. To register, visitwww.wildlandspa.org or call 610/965-4397. This program is underwritten by Northampton County.

Upcoming Event Listings are listed free to all non-profit organizations. Event listings include the event, time, date, location and contact information ONLY. Contact us for non-profit display advertising rates.

FEBRUARY IS NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH **MONTH& NATIONAL HEART HEALTH MONTH** FEBRUARY NATIONAL DAYS

FEBRUARY 8-NATIONAL BOY SCOUTS DAY

FEBRUARY 9-NATIONAL PIZZA DAY

FEBRUARY 11-NATIONAL MAKE A FRIEND DAY

FEBRUARY 13-NATIONAL CHEDDAR TUESDAY

FEBRUARY 14-NATIONAL ORGAN DONOR DAY

FEBRUARY 15-NATIONAL CAREGIVERS DAY

FEBRUARY 17-NATIONAL RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS DAY

FEBRUARY 18-NATIONAL DRINK WINE DAY

FEBRUARY 20-NATIONAL LOVE YOUR PET DAY

FEBRUARY HOLIDAYS

FEBRUARY 14-VALENTINE'S DAY FEBRUARY 18-WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

Girls on the Run Valentine Blood Drive

Hosted by Girls on the Run Pocono and Forks Township Parks and Recreation. Wednesday, February 13th, 11:00am-4:00pm 500 Zucksville Road, Easton, PA. 18040. To schedule an appointment to donate: https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/driveresults?zipSponsor=Easton

Slater Family Network Comedy Night Fundraiser

A Comedy Night fundraiser benefiting Slater Family Network will be held **Saturday, February 16th, 5:00pm** at the First United Methodist Church, 55 N. 3rd Street, Bangor, PA. Seating is limited. For tickets please call the church office at 610-588-4673.

Stroudsburg WinterFest 2019

Saturday, February 16, 2019 at 11:00am-4:00pm Visit Historic Downtown Stroudsburg annual WinterFest! This year's theme is "Fairytales". There will be magical ice sculptures featuring all your favorite characters from classic fairy tales and folklore throughout the downtown area! Hosted by Visit Downtown Stroudsburg and Stroudsburg Borough

Jim Thorpe Winterfest 2019

Saturday and Sunday, February 16th and 17th, the 27th annual For more information, visit https://www.jimthorpe.org/winterfest

Winter Bird Walk 2

Hosted by Waste Management's Grand Central Environmental Education Center Sunday, February 17th, 10:00 am -12:00 pm, Join Bird Enthusiast Rich Eime and WM's Adrienne Fors for a walk around the landfill property. Dress for the weather and bring your binoculars! We will leave promptly at 10am from the education Center, 891 Grand Central Road, Pen Argyl, PA. Email afors1@wm.com with any questions.

Mt. Bethel Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary Monthly Soup Nite

The Mt. Bethel Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary will host their "Monthly Soup Nite" on Thursday, February 21st, 3:00pm-7:00pm (3rd Thursday this month only due to Valentines Day) at the Mt Bethel Vol. Fire Co. firehouse, 2341 N. Delaware Drive, Mt Bethel, PA. Two varieties of homemade soups will be available by the bowl or quart to eat in or take-out. The ladies auxiliary will host the monthly soup night the 2nd Thursday of each month through March 2019. For more information contact Diane DeMarzo at 973-202-3317.

Families First Snow Ball Dinner Dance

Families First presents their 9th annual benefit Snow Ball Dinner Dance "Margaritaville" on Saturday, February 23, 6:00pm-11:00pm at Weona Park recreation center, Pen Argyl. Music by Romeo Vegas, dinner by Just in Thyme, For tickets contact Spring Shank – Pen Argyl High School, Heather Reed – Wind Gap Middle School, Kelly Thomas – Plainfield Elementary. For information contact: Frank Jones – 610-863-9095 ext. 1387 or iones.frank@penargylsd.org. All proceeds help support Families First free programs

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Tax Tip

For tax year 2018, all individual taxpayers will file using the new Form 1040, Forms 1040A and 1040EZ are no longer available. Taxpavers who previously filed these forms will now file Form 1040. The new Form 1040 uses a "building block" approach allowing individuals to add only the schedules they need to their 2018 federal tax return. Taxpayers with more complicated returns will need to complete one or more of the new Form 1040 Schedules. This group of taxpavers includes those who claim certain deductions or credits. or who owe additional taxes.

Individuals who filed their federal tax return electronically last year may not notice any changes, as the tax return preparation software will automatically use their answers to the tax questions to complete the Form 1040 and any needed schedules.

Here are three more things for people to keep in mind as they prepare to file their taxes:

determine if a taxpayer must file a tax return. Other rules may apply if the taxpayer is self-employed or if they are a dependent of another person. For example, if a taxpaver is single and younger than age 65. they must file if their income was at least \$12,000. There are other instances when a taxpaver must file...

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Roseto Ice Rink Opens

The Roseto ice rink is officially open! Weather permitting it will be open daily 8:00am - 7:00pm. Skate rentals are not available so please bring your own skates. There is no cost to skate at the park. The ice rink is located under the pavilion at the Roseto Ball Park located off of McKinley and Denisco Streets. Entrance is at the main gate so enter from Denisco Street.

Slate Belt Heritage Center Monthly Program

The Slate Belt Heritage Center will hold their monthly program on **Sunday, February 10th at 2:00pm.** Speakers for the afternoon will be Michael Ortoski, Vice Chair, and John Mauser, Chairman of "Friends of Lake Minsi". They will give a presentation on the rehabilitation of Minsi Lake, Phases I & II. including a slide show. There will be a "Question & Answer" session for public questions and concerns along with an update on the start of the construction of the dam. The event is free and open to the public. The Heritage Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA. For additional information contact: Karen Brewer at 484-894-5661.

Slate Belt Heritage Center Calendar of Events

Sunday, February 10th at 2:00pm; "Progress Report on Lake Minsi" by Mike Ortoski' & John Mauser.

Sunday, March 10th at 2:00pm: "Digital Documentation of Pennsylvania's Slate Lands" Presented by The University of Pennsylvania School of Design by ProfessorFrank Matera, Photographer JohnHinchman and Joseph Elliot, Project Manager Thursday, April 11th at 7:00pm: Spring Opening: "Of the People":

Folk Art And Craft of the Slate Belt.

Thursday, May 9th at 7:00pm: "Structural Slate Company" Thursday, June 20th at 7:00pm: "Annual Preservation Awards" Thursday, July 11th at 7:00pm: "Geology & History of Geologic Who is required to file. In most cases, income, filing status and age Resources in the Slate Belt" by Edward Henning.

Thursday, August 8th at 7:00pm: "Pennsylvania-German Folk Art": Cheryl Statham.

Thursday, September 12th at 7:00pm: "Anniversary of Normandy" by Russ Stout.

Thursday, October 10th at 7:00pm: "Annual Haunted Heritage Show"

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

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

Slate Belt Heritage Center is located at 30 N. 1st Street, Bangor, PA.



Bangor Women's Club Holds Annual Arts Festival at January Meeting

submitted by Marilyn Mehas

Once again the General Federation of Womens Clubs Pennsylvania, Bangor held its annual Arts Festival. GFWC has a long history of supporting the arts in the Bangor area which is blessed with fine musical, artistic, and literary talent. On January 15, 2019 at the monthly club meeting student art was displayed from Five Points Elementary, DeFranco Elementary, and Bangor Area High School. Members of the Bangor High School Chamber Choir, under the direction of Joseph DiMinico, provided excellent vocal arrangements

for the delight of the club members. These students not only give wonderful musical performances, but also produce amazing theatrical musicals.

Jim Gloria, Tott's Gap Art Institute and Amy Krug judged the art and photography entries.



Jim Gloria judging art entries

The student 1st place winner entries advance to the Northeast District competition.

Results of the student art:

Division 1 - Grades 1 & 2 -1st Everett Rutt , 2nd Cody Kutzman, and 3rd Evie Heinsohn All from Five Points Elementry

Division 2 - Grades 3, 4, & 5 -1st Nicolas DeNora, 2nd Grace Stopp, 3rd Evanee Rutt, and 4th Katelynn Opalecky All from DeFranco Elementry

Division 4 - Grades 9, 10, 11, & 12 -1st place Marie Fuchs Bangor High School

Results of Club Member Photography entries -Living Things - 1st Heidi Bates and 2nd Carolyn Smith Scenic - 1st Carolyn Smith 1st place winners advance to the Northeast District competition and 1st place winners there advance to the state arts competition.

In the student Short Story and Poetry Competition, there were many outstanding efforts. Faith Christian School of Roseto submitted 8 poems and 24 short stories, many of which were poignant. DeFranco Elementry students grades 5 & 6, produced 8 poems and 15 short stories. Jackie Griffin will have a difficult time judging and selecting a first place winner. The first place winner for Poetry and Short Story will be submitted to the District competition and first place winners there will advance to State, and finally National level.

The Bangor Area School District and Faith Christian School are to be congratulated for supporting literacy and the arts at such a high level. The club acknowledges the enthusiastic support of the Bangor Area School District Superintendent and Faith Christian School Administration.

A special thank you to Arts Committee club members Heidi Bates and Marie Balson. Their efforts coordinating, collecting, and

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The Bangor Womens Club encourages local residents to attend our meetings and hopefully join GFWC. For information on the club and upcoming meetings please contact Heidi at 610-599-8815. The next meeting will be held at Prince of Peace Church, Johnsonville at 12:00pm, on February 19.



Joseph DiMinico directing the Bangor High School Chamber Choir

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March 5
Tuesday & Thursday

6:00-8:30 PM

Nazareth Sr. High School Library

501 E. Center Street

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Easton Library Haunted Stories

Join Larry Sceurman and Karen Maurer from the Lehigh Valley Storytelling Guild as they cast a spell of love lost, love forbidden, dangerous love, and love gone wrong on **Wednesday**, **February 13th**, at 6:30 pm at the Easton Area Public Library.

This free program is open to adults and will be held in the Catherine Drake Meeting Room on the lower level of the Main Library. Handicapped access is available from the Church Street entrance. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Library. Registration is not required. For more information, call 610-258-2917 ext 310.

Fundraiser for The Blue Mountain Community Library

A Fundraiser for The Blue Mountain Community Library will be held on **Thursday, February 21st from 11:00am - 7:00pm** Cafe on Broadway, 21 S. Broadway in Wind Gap, PA. The Cafe will generously donate a portion of all sales that day to the library. All food is fresh and made to order. call ahead to place your order. Specials are listed on the restaurant's Facebook page. The Cafe is take-out or eat-in, with limited seating. The phone number is 610-881-4261. Menus are available at the Cafe or at the library. Your support of this fundraiser to benefit the library will be greatly appreciated.

Thank You

The Blue Mountain Community Library would like to express its thanks to everyone who came to support the Library Book Nook Sale on January 17-19 by purchasing books and other items. The Semi-Annual



Book Nook Sale is an important fundraiser for the library in order to meet all its needs. Besides the purchase of books, the library must pay all its financial obligations, as well as maintain the upkeep and necessary repairs to the building. Thanks also to all who came and enjoyed the MLK Indoor Carnival on Monday, Jan. 21 at the Library. We had 37 children and adults participate in this successful event. Many brought a Food Item to put in our donations to the Benders Church Food Bank, which continues through Feb.22.Please bring a non-perishable food item to the library when you visit. The Library Board would also like to express its thanks to the Slate Pub in Pen Argyl for generously sponsoring a fundraiser for the library this past October.

The library offers several free group activities open to anyone in the area. On Fridays, there is a Knitter's Group that meets upstairs at 10:30 am. On the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm, the Book Discussion Group meets in the back room on the first floor. The book selection for Feb. 19 is "The Cemetery Keeper's Wife" by Maryann McFadden, who will be the featured Author at the Library's Author's Luncheon on April 25. Pre-school Story Hour meets on the second floor of thelibrary every Wed. and Thurs. at 10:30 am. All children accompanied by an adult are welcome. Please consider joining one or all of these groups. Remember that if the Pen Argyl Schools are closed for inclement weather, the Library will not be open. The Blue Mountain Community Library is located at 216 S. Robinson Ave. in Pen Argyl. Hours are M-Sa, 10:00 am to Noon, and M-Th, 6:00-8:00 pm. Membership is free to allresidents of the Pen Argyl Area School District. Non-residents may join for a small yearly fee. Call Lisa at 610-863-3029 for information or visit the website at www.bmcl.org. Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/bmclpenargyl.

New Editions at the Blue Mountain Community Library

Adult Fiction: Night of Miracles, Elizabeth Berg; The Rain Watcher, Tatiana DeRosnay; The Kennedy Debutante, Kerri Maher; Heads You Win, Jeffrey Archer; Tony's Wife, Adriana Trigiani; The Other Wife, Michael Robotham; One Day In December, Josie Silver; Jar of Hearts, Jennifer Hillier; True Places, Sonja Yoerg; Light Over London, Julia Kelly.

Adult Nonfiction: The Unknown's, Patrick O'Donnell; The Line Becomes A River, Francisco Cantu The Sun Does Shine, Anthony Ray Hinton The Feather Thief, Kirk Wallace Johnson The Library Book, Susan Orlean.

Audio Book: Field of Bones, J.A. Jance.

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KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION WELCOME CLASS OF 2032!

The Bangor Area School District (BASD) is excited to welcome the Class of 2032! The kindergarten team at Five Points Elementary School is excited to welcome our new kindergarten class to begin their educational journey for the 2019-2020 School Year. A child is eligible for kindergarten if he/she

- * is at least the age of five (5) years by September 1, 2019.
- * resides within the boundaries of the BASD.
- * successfully completes the district's kindergarten screening process.

As of January 4, 2019, kindergarten registration packets are available for parents and/or guardians at any Bangor Area School District (BASD) Elementary School (Five Points, Washington, or DeFranco) and the District Administration Office. Packets are also available for download from the BASD web pagewww.bangorslaters. org. Please contact the District Administration Office to request a registration packet via mail (610-588-2163). In order to schedule a screening appointment, the completed registration packet and mandatory documents must be submitted to District Administration (123 Five Points Richmond Road, Bangor, PA 18013). A completed registration packet includes:

- * Proof of child's birth date (must be at least five (5) years by September 1, 2019)
- * Two (2) proofs of residency
- * 2019-2020 Kindergarten Registration Form
- * Physical Exam Record (4 pages) Completed by a Health Care
- * Provider within one year of thedate the registration packet is submitted (which must include the child's immunization recordDental Exam Record Completed by a Dentist
- * Home Language Survey
- * Pre-Kindergarten Questionnaire

Once packets are received and confirmed complete, BASD will contact parents/guardians to schedule a kindergarten screening appointment. Completed packets **must be received no later than March 1st** to schedule a screening appointment in March. Kindergarten screenings for the 2019-2020 school year will occur between **March 12** and **March 28** at Washington Elementary School. All screenings are by appointment only. An adult must accompany the child(ren) for their screening appointment(s). Our kindergarten staff is eager to meet and work with your child!

Welcome Class of 2032!





Mens Senior Softball League Forming

Any former softball players interested in playing in a 60+ men's senior softball league this summer is asked to please call Jake at 610-248-3750, or Phil at 610-863-8322 for more details.

1885 Club Accepting Nominations

The Bangor Area High School Alumni Association is looking for nominations for induction into the 2019 "1885 Club Hall of Fame." In 1998, the members of the Bangor Area High School Alumni Association began to search for a way to honor graduates who have distinguished themselves through public service, scholarship, and recognition in their chosen fields of work. Discussions naturally led to creating a Hall of Fame for such individuals. Concerned about possible confusion with the Athletic Hall of Fame, however, the committee began to seek ways to create a different type of recognition with its own unique distinction. From this collaboration, "The 1885 Club" was born. Named in honor of the first year in which a class of students graduated from Bangor High School, this exclusive club honors distinguished alumni and holds these individuals as outstanding examples for others to follow. Through the creation of "The 1885 Club" the Alumni Association underscores and upholds the fact that graduates of Bangor Area High School have been making tremendous contributions to mankind for more than 133 years. We reserve a special category for educators and administrators who have served the Bangor Area School District over its long history.

To nominate someone for either of these awards, please go to the Bangor Area School District web site, bangorslaters.com, click on the Alumni icon (under Quick Links) and then click on the 1885 Club. There you will find a printable form. The form must be filled out completely for your nominee to be considered. Mail the completed form to the address shown or forward it to Carole J. Hontz at Bangor Area High School, 187 Five Points Richmond Road, Bangor, PA 18013-5224. Nominations can also be e mailed to hontzc@bangorsd.org

The Slate Belt Heritage Center is Seeking Family Mill Photos

The Slate Belt Heritage Center is in the process of collecting information on all the textile and garment mills that existed in the Slate Belt. So far the response has been wonderful. They are now asking if anyone has a picture of the outside of families mills to scan and please mail or email it to the Heritage Center. Email: sbhc@ frontier.com. or mail to: SBHC 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA Attn: Karen Brewer. Thank you in advance for contribution.

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Birth Announcement Briella Rose Mountain

Brittany & Leighanna Mountain are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Briella Rose Mountain, born on January 26th, 2019 at Westchester Medical Center, Valhalla, NY. She weighed 7lbs 1 oz, and was 18 inches in length. Grandparents are Lisa Newberry of Bangor; Mark Mountain of Montrose, New York; and Wendy Borst of Port Richey, Florida. Great Grandparents are Janet & Charles Wilson of Atlanta, Georgia and Peekskill, New York and Lee Briggs of Port Richey, Florida.

New in the Bangor Public Library

Adult Fiction - River to Redemption by Ann Gabhart; What She Knew by Gilly Macmillan; **Adult Non Fiction** - The Minimalist Home by Joshua Becker; Be Fearless: 5 Principles by Jean Case.



Young Adult Fiction - Everless by Sara Holland; Evermore by Sara Holland; Key, Kiddo by Jarrett Krosoczka.

Junior Fiction - Middle School: Escape to Australia by James Patterson; Dog Man: Brawl of The Wild by Day Pilkey; The Brightest Night by Tui Sutherland; The Dark Secret by Tui Sutherland; The Hidden Kingdom by Tui Sutherland.

Easy Reader Fiction - Pete The Kitty and the Case Of The Hiccups by James Dean; The Great Cake Race by Kristen Depken.

Easy Fiction - Pete The Cats World Tour by James Dean.

The Bangor Public Library is located at 39 S. Main St. Bangor, PA. The phone number is 610-588-4136



You know you're in love when you can't fall asleep because reality is finally better than your dreams.

~Dr Seuss





Pictured Harper Clinese at the Lehigh Valley Pet Expo held the weekend of January 25-27, at Ag Hall. Harper's mother Amber, was the winner of our Facebook contest and won tickets to the show!

Congratulations Amber!







SLATE BELT MEN'S QUOIT LEAGUE January 24, 2019

East Bangor Fire Co. 32 Bangor Jax 24 – Kyle Frankenfield 13-1; Rob Tiburzi 9-5

Bangor VFW 34 Roseto Rod & Gun Club 22 – Nick LaBar 11-3, Ryan Comunale 10-4, Jeff Plimpton 10-4; John Lohman 8-6, Tom Ayers 8-6 (Note: Larry Mucklin (Roseto Rod & Gun Club) threw a four-timer over Jeff Plimpton (Bangor VFW))

Second Ward Fire Co. 38 Roseto Legion 18 – Dan Lucas 12-2, John Sikra 11-3, Tim Seydl 11-3, Bill Neigh 10-4

Hillside Rod & Gun Club 34 Oxford Fire Co. 22 – Dave Flick, Sr.

11-3, Dave Flick, Jr. 9-3, Brandon Malachowski 9-3 (Note : Brandon Malachowski (Hillside Rod & Gun Club) threw a four-timer over Matt Becker (Oxford Fire Co.))

O'Neill's Place 48 Columbia Fire Co. 8 – Andy Conroy 14-0, Justin Wagner 13-1

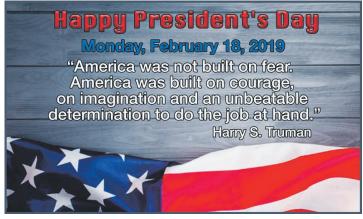
Bangor Elks 44 Liberty Fire Co. 12 – George Gallagher 13-1, Jody Zengulis 12-2, Dave Giaquinto 12-2, Chad Kreider 12-2, Wayne Hill 12-2 Pen Argyl Legion 35 Rescue Fire Co. 21 – Bob Ponnett 12-2, John Albanese 10-4, Steve Pfeiffer 9-5; Horst Hoppe 9-5

2018-2019 SBMOL SECOND HALF STANDINGS

Division 1 – Bangor Elks 6-0, Hillside Rod & Gun Club 6-0, Oxford Fire Co. 5-1, Pen Argyl Legion 5-1, O'Neill's Place 5-1, East Bangor Fire Co. 5-1, Bangor Jax 3-3

Division 2 – Liberty Fire Co. 2-4, Columbia Fire Co. 2-4, Second Ward Fire Co. 2-4, Bangor VFW 1-5, Roseto Rod & Gun Club 0-6, Rescue Fire Co. 0-6, Roseto Legion 0-6







Life Springs from Death with Organ Donation

By Sarah Janelle Loren

"Without the organ donor, there is no story, there is no hope, no transplant. But when there is an organ donor, life springs from death, sorrow turns to hope, and a terrible loss becomes a gift." -United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS)

February 14th is Valentine's Day, which needs no explanation. But it is also National Organ Donor Day, a day to honor organ donors and spread organ donation awareness. It is a day to celebrate love, but also the gift of life.

Bill and Christine "Chris" Hankee lost their daughter, Krysta, when she was just 22 years old. Benny DeBiase was only a year and a half old when his father, Mike, died, a week shy of his 24th birthday. April Carmody's father, Ed Howey, passed away just four days before she walked down the aisle. But Krysta, Mike, and Ed were all organ donors. Between the three of them, they were able to save or enhance the lives of more than 60 people through organ, cornea, and tissue donation.

"Not a day goes by that I don't think about my donor and donor family," said double-lung transplant recipient Brian Zionts-Bernstein. "They gave me a second chance at life. Their loved one is living on in me as a legacy."

Brian, 54 of Coopersburg, would not have been given a new set of lungs if it weren't for organ donors like Krysta, Mike, and Ed. Unfortunately, many people still believe the myths surrounding organ donation. According to UNOS.org, here are a few of the facts:

- People of all ages and medical histories should consider themselves potential donors. Your medical condition at the time of death will determine what organs and tissue can be donated.

-Organs and tissue that can be donated include heart, kidneys, lungs, pancreas, liver, intestines, corneas, skin, tendons, bone, nerve and heart valves.

- Organ donation is consistent with the beliefs of most major religions.
 - An open-casket funeral is possible for organ and tissue donors.
- There is no cost to the donor's family or estate for organ and tissue donation.
- If you are sick or injured and admitted to the hospital, the number one priority is to save your life. Organ donation can only be considered after brain death has been declared by a physician.
- Information about an organ donor is only released to the recipient if the family of the donor requests or agrees to it. Otherwise, a
 - Living donation increases the existing organ supply.
 - Donors are needed for all races and ethnic groups.

So why should you become an organ donor? Well, I'll let a few donor families, a transplant recipient, and a living donor tell you just that.

Brian Zionts-Bernstein was 50 years old when he was added to the needed and so important. national transplant list. Seven years prior, Brian was diagnosed with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis, a terminal lung disease without a cure. them, an organ donor saved my life," Brian said. During those seven years, Brian continued not only working, but also significantly.



Pictured: Double-lung transplant recipient Brian Zionts-Bernstein with his wife, Kym, and their son, Sam.

"In the early spring of 2014, I was put on supplemental oxygen," Brian said. "At first I was told to wear it for sleeping and exertion. My need quickly increased and I was on it full time."

Brian now spent his breaks taking naps instead of walks. In July that year, he began pulmonary rehab twice a week. Yet still, Brian continued to work, not wanting to give up on life.

On December 23rd, the seventh day of Hanukkah, Brian received a call on his way to rehab from work. Not recognizing the number. Brian let the call go to voicemail. Then he listened.

"It was my Nurse Practitioner and Transplant Coordinator." Brian said. "The first words out of his mouth were, 'Brian, we have lungs for you!' I couldn't even listen to the rest of the message because I was crying with joy and with fear. Somebody has to die for you to have that opportunity at a second chance at life."

Four years later, Brian still gets emotional when telling his story. I also had to take a moment to collect myself and wipe away tears.

Brian was given a new set of lungs on December 24th, the eighth day of Hanukkah. For Brian and his family, it's their Hanukkah miracle.

"I was blessed," Brian said. "I might have made it another two weeks if I hadn't had the transplant when I did. These last four years are years I wouldn't have had."

Because of his donor, Brian will be celebrating 27 years of marriage with his wife, Kym, this March. In May, Brian will sit next to his bride and watch their 22-year-old son, Sam, graduate from Penn State.

"Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the patient's privacy is maintained for both donor families and recipients. moments that take our breath away," Brian said. "That's why for me, post transplant, it's important to live life and celebrate every day. I didn't have the transplant to be a couch potato."

Instead, Brian volunteers with the Gift of Life Donor Program, he goes to IPF support groups to help others who have been diagnosed with IPF, he talks about organ donation and why organ donors are

"I'll talk to people about registering to be an organ donor. I tell

Lisa Rigione, 51 of Bangor, hadn't known her son, Mike DeBiase walking during his lunch breaks. But then his health began to decline was an organ donor. Then he died of a brain bleed a week before his Continued on page 17 24th birthday.



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- 3. Who is The Goddess of Love in greek Mythology?
- 4. A dozen red ones of these says "I Love You".
- 5. You might write this to your sweetheart on Valentine's Day.
- 6. What does the word Valentine mean?
- 7. Where do you wear your heart if you are quick to show your feelings?
- 8. The 0 in XOXOXOX means what?
- 9. Who was Victorian Lace named after?
- 10. What fruit is also known as the love apple?
- 11. Who kissed the girls and made them cry?
- 12. Which bird symbolizes Valentine's Day?

See answers on page 20



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Thursday, February 14th thru Saturday, February 16th, 2019

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Strawberry Tiramisu for Two

1 pint fresh strawberries

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1 cup mascarpone cheese

1/2 cup heavy cream

2 tablespoons coffee-flavored liqueur

18 ladyfingers

1/3 cup chilled espresso

1/2 teaspoon unsweetened cocoa powder

Cut off the tops of the strawberries and slice the berries. Reserve 2 large whole berries for garnish. In a blender, place 2 cups of strawberries and 2 tablespoons confectioners sugar; blend to puree and set aside. In a medium bowl, combine mascarpone cheese, 1/4 cup cream, 1/4 cup sugar, and liqueur; beat with an electric mixer on medium-high speed for 1 to 1 1/2 minutes until thickened. Place 6 ladyfingers on a serving plate and brush each with approximately 1 teaspoon cold espresso coffee. Spread or pipe out 1/2 of the cheese mixture over the ladyfingers, and layer with half of the sliced strawberries. Repeat with the next 6 ladyfingers, espresso, remaining cheese mixture, and sliced strawberries; top with remaining 6 ladyfingers. In a small mixing bowl, combine 1/4 cup heavy cream with 2 tablespoons sugar; beat with an electric mixer on medium-high speed until just whipped, approximately 1 minute. Spread cream evenly over top layer of ladyfingers. Dust cocoa over whipped cream, and garnish with 2 reserved strawberries. Pour strawberry puree onto two serving plates. Cut tiramisu in half, and place onto puree.



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FEBRUARY EVENTS

Quoits, Thursday, February 7 & 14, 10:00 AM Baseball, February 8 & 24, 10:00 AM Hootie Hoo Decorate Hat, Friday, February 8, 12:15 PM AARP MEETING, Monday, February 11, 1:00 PM Poker, Tuesday, February 12, 9:30 AM Farkle, Tuesday, February 12, 10:00 AM Valentine Day Celebration, Music with Bill Reese & refreshments, Friday.

February 15

CLOSED PRESIDENTS DAY, Monday, February 18 **Deja' the Therapy dog**, Tuesday, February 19, 10:00AM **Name that tune**, Tuesday, February 26, 9:30 AM

SLATE BELT AARP CHAPTER 4135

The Slate Belt Chapter AARP Chapter 4135 will hold its next meeting on Monday, February 11th, 1:00 pm, at the Slate Belt Senior Center, 707 American Bangor Road, Bangor, PA. There will be a guest speaker and the topic will be Vision Loss. All seniors are are welcome to attend the meetings.

AARP PALMER TOWNSHIP AREA CHAPTER 2144

The AARP Palmer Township Area Chapter 2144 will meet on Monday, March 4th, 1:00 pm Wilson Borough Community Center, 2200 Liberty Street, Easton, PA. Speaker will be Michael Settler, Director, Senior Solutions

ST. ELIZABETH'S OF HUNGARY BUS TRIP

St. Elizabeth's of Hungary parish is sponsoring a trip to the Mohegan Sun casino on Thursday, February 14th, the bus will depart from St Elizabeth's parking lot in Pen Argyl by 9:00am, it will then proceed to the old St. Joseph's church parking lot in Wind Gap. Mark your calendars for a bus trip to the Hollywood Casino on Thursday, March 14th. For more information, please call Mary Lou DeRea-Lohman at 610-863-4846 or 610-844-4630."

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Slate Belt Senior Center



On February 1st seniors at the Slate Belt Senior Center participated in a Super Bowl game. Pictured: front row L-R, Betty DeVito, Ann Francisco, Jerry Castellani, Joan Florev, back row L-R Melvin Jones, Terri Transue, John Florey, Lester Trapp. The Patriots won 36-19.

Emrick Announces February Satellite Office Hours in Forks Township

State Representative Joe Emrick invites residents of the 137th Legislative District to take advantage of satellite office hours he has scheduled for Forks Township in the month of February. This service is offered on the first and third Thursday of each month to make it easier for the constituents who may find it difficult to reach the Slate Belt and Nazareth district offices, especially during winter weather. A member of Emrick's district office staff will be at the Forks Township Community Center on Thursday, February 7 and Thursday, February 21 from 9a.m. noon and 1-5p.m. The community center is located at 500 Zucksville Road. "This is also a great opportunity to obtain further information about Pennsylvania's PropertyTax/Rent Rebate Program" added Emrick. "My staff has the new PA-1000 forms for the 2018 tax year and is ready to help determine individual eligibility and complete the application at no cost." Questions about this any legislative issue should be directed to Emrick's district office at(610)746-5090 or (610)588-8011.





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ICS Open House
Immaculate Conception School in Pen Argyl, held their Open House on Sunday, January 27th. Photos by Lisa Newberry.



Bangor Elks Northeast District National Hoop Shoot

The Pennsylvania Elks Northeast District is proud to announce the winners of the District Finals for the Elks National Hoop Shoot. Congratulations to all of the

free throw shooters. Photos by Jeffrey Cooper

Girls 8-9

- Naomi Kowalick Mahanoy City Lodge
 Abby Calarco Berwick Lodge
 Rerker Drum Frackville Lodge
 - Girls 10-11
- 1. Kendle Miller Tamaqua Lodge
 2. Mya Conti Frackville Lodge
 3. Neviah Kennedy Mahanoy City Lodge
 Girls 12-13
 1. Addyson Wheeler Sayre Lodge

 - 2. Taylor Conti Frackville Lodge
 - 3. Emily Lang Tamaqua Lodge Boys 8-9
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 - 2. Kamdyn Wheeler Sayre Lodge 3. Logan Damiter Ashland Lodge
 - **Boys 10-11**
 - 1. Cole Dietz Tamaqua Lodge
 2. Shaw Hogan Sayre Lodge
 3. Mason Kingery Berwick Lodge
 Boys 12-13
 1. Kurtis Snyder Bangor Lodge

 - 2. Connor Penberth Tamaqua Lodge 3. Cole Phillips Berwick Lodge



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"When they told us that Mike might not make it... we asked about organ donation and that's when we found out that he was an organ donor," Lisa said.

Because Mike was a donor, he was able to save the lives of six people. Five of those are still living today, as far as Lisa knows. Although one of Mike's transplant recipients has passed, the recipient lived for 777 days after receiving his transplant.

"He was able to get married," Lisa said. "He was able to live a better life for those 777 days."

Lisa is looking forward to meeting Mike's heart recipient, Bruce, just as she has met Mike's kidney recipient, Scott.

"When I met Scott, it was extremely emotional; it's bittersweet," Lisa said. "His two boys still have their dad because my son donated his organs. That is so important to us."

Not only does Mike continue to live on through those who have received his organs, but Lisa continues to carry on Mike's legacy through her advocacy of the Gift of Life Donor Program, the largest organ procurement organization in the US, which is based in Philadelphia. Even her 12-year-old Son, Connor, volunteers with her. This year, Gift of Life's message is "The Power of One," as one donor can save and enhance the lives of so many, just as Mike's has.

"Since Mike passed, dozens have told me they have signed up because of Mike's story," Lisa said. "It's important to see the bigger picture. One family's tears of sorrow are another family's tears of joy."

She continued, "Child loss is the most devastating thing a person can go through. If I could save one mom from going through what I'm going through every single day, even if it is only for a short time..."

Just like Mike, Krysta Hankee of New Tripoli was also an organ donor. She collapsed while exercising in September 2007. A few days later, she died at the precious age of 22.

"We honored [Krysta's] wishes (as an organ donor) and she was able to save five lives through organ donation," said Krysta's parents, Bill and Chris. "She also gave sight to two blind people through corneal transplants, and she enhanced the lives of 51 people by donating tissue (skin) to the New York Firefighter's Skin Bank."

Today, Bill and Chris continue to carry on their daughter's legacy by volunteering and more.



Scott Swartout (second from left) received a life-saving kidney transplant from organ donor Mike DeBiase, who passed away one week before his 24th birthday. Scott had the pleasure of meeting his donor family, with whom he is pictured. L-R: Mike's brother Connor Rigione, Scott Swartout, Mike's son Benny, Scott's wife Tricia, and Mike's mom, Lisa Rigione.--

"We are Gift of Life
Ambassadors and are active in
The Lehigh Valley Ambassadors
for Organ and Tissue Donation
Coalition," they said. "Soon
after Krysta died, our friends
and community came together
and helped us begin the Krysta
Hankee Memorial Fund."

The KHMF provides gas cards for medical travel, educational grants, and promotes organ and tissue donation. More information can be found at www. krystahankeememorialfund.org.

"We are proud of Krysta and

Organ donor Krysta Hankee

Organ donor Krysta Hankee enhanced the lives of 58 others through organ donation.

know she will always be a hero to the 58 strangers she helped," Bill and Chris said. "We also take some comfort in knowing, in a way, her essence continues in the lives of others."

Doni Howey of Mt. Bethel has similar feelings. Her husband Ed passed away when he was 51 years old, just four days before their daughter April was married. Because Ed's brain, lungs and other organs were affected by cancer, they were unable to be donated. However, his organs were used for medical research, which is also extremely important, as this research may one day help save the lives of millions.

Because Ed wore glasses, he wasn't sure he would even be able to donate his corneas.

"We discussed the fact that a blind person would love to be able to wear glasses to see," Doni said. "A few months later, I got a letter in the mail stating his corneas had been donated, and I was extremely happy."

Staci Forsythe, 48 of Easton, had this to say about her father, also an organ donor:

"My dad passed away unexpectedly in July 2017. His corneas went to a 54-year-old woman who hadn't been able to see for a few years. That was a great feeling, knowing that some woman who had been blind for years was now able to see. It made the loss of my dad a little easier to bear for my [family.]"

Frank Nitti, Jr., a living donor from New Jersey, was able to save his son's life through organ donation. Frank Nitti III was just 14 at the time of his transplant. Now 34, Frank III is alive and well because of his father's gift of organ donation.

"I have trouble describing the feeling," Frank Jr. said. "Seeing my son feeling great and healthy for the first time is something that I will never forget. You feel the joy deep in your soul. It gives you a sense of meaning that has stayed with me."

Currently, there are more than 114,000 people in the US awaiting organ transplants. This Valentine's Day, please consider becoming an organ donor and saving the lives of those awaiting transplant, and enhancing the lives of others. As Lisa Rigione told her grandson Benny, "Daddy went to heaven and he didn't need his heart anymore, but daddy's heart could save someone else."

For more information on organ donation and becoming a donor, visit www.UNOS.org and www.donors1.org





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St John's Pet Food Pantry

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.

NCC to Present "How Dogs Work: Senses & Perception"

Program is part of NCC's Annual Humanities Series BETHLEHEM, PA. Join Dr. Charles Rinehimer, professor of biology at Northampton Community College (NCC), for a presentation on "How Dogs Work: Senses & Perception," on Thursday, February 7, at 11:00 am, in Room 220 at College Center, Bethlehem Campus, 3835 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem Township. The talk is part of this year's Annual Humanities Program: "Humanities Best Friend: Dogs and the Human Saga." This event is open to the public, no reservations needed and free of charge. Light refreshments will be served. Northampton Community College's NEH series is made possible by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the generous support of donors. NCC partners with the Bethlehem Area Public Library, the Eastern Monroe Public Library, Historic Bethlehem Museums and Sites, Bethlehem Area School District, the Monroe County Historical Society, and the Stroudsburg Area School District. For more information, visit northampton.edu/events.

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Visit our website at AwsomAnimals.org

BANGOR HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL SENIOR NIGHT

The Bangor Slater boys varsity basketball team honored their Seniors on Monday, February 4th, during their game against Pen Argyl. Bangor took the win 47-41.

Photos by Jeffrey Cooper









Kaylee Hartzell, Chase Taylor, Akash Sareen, Noah Berger Ben Holland, Aryanna Smith & Paige Terrett









BANGOR HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL SENIOR NIGHT Bangor High School's Lady Slaters Seniors were honored on Friday, February 1st during the

Bangor High School's Lady Slaters Seniors were honored on Friday, February 1st during the game against Palisades. Bangor defeated Palisades by a score of 59 to 40.

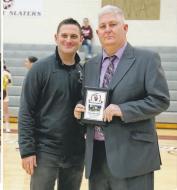
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Emily Labar, with her parents Kathleen and Dallas Labar Jr.





Assistant Athletic
Director Steve Panczer
who presented
Coach Bill Bisci with
a plaque
commemorating
his 300th career win



Jenna Learn, with her parents Alicia and Ron Learn

News from Northampton Community College NCC to Offer Certificate Program in Restaurant Supervisory Skills Training

New certificate program enhances leadership skills.

Northampton Community College (NCC) is offering a new certificate program in Restaurant Supervisory Skills Training for bartenders, servers and other employees identified for their abilities and promoted to management and leadership positions.

To earn the certificate, participants must take all four classes; classes may also be taken individually for personal growth. All classes are taught at the Easton Educational Outreach Center, 25 S. Third Street, Easton. Classes include:

The Mindset of a Leader. Monday, February 11th, 10:00am-2:00pm.

Best Practices in Leadership. **Monday, February 18th, 10:00am-2:00pm.**

Fundamentals of Restaurant Finance. **Monday, February 25th, 10:00am-2:00pm.**

To enroll, costs per course, email Hospitality@northampton.edu or call 610-861-5068.

NCC Offers Class on Millwork

This new class will teach the do-it-yourselfer to do crown and base molding and more.

Are you a fixer-upper who enjoys doing the work yourself? Northampton Community College is offering a class, Millwork, Mondays and Thursdays, February 11th, 14th, 18th and 21st, from 6:30pm-9:30pm at the Fab Lab, Fowler Family Southside Center, 511 E. Third Street, Bethlehem.

Participants will concentrate on one machine, the spindle shaper, to mold crowns and bases, do groove flooring, wainscoting, and more. Students will learn to produce their own unique molding or match existing ones.

For costs/to enroll, visit www.northampton.edu/fablab. For questions, call 332-8665.

NCC to Hold "Suicide Prevention: One-Man Show" Off-Broadway Show, Educational Session and Q&A to provide insights into suicide & its prevention

Northampton Community College (NCC) will offer a three-part event on suicide prevention on Tuesday, February 19, at the Bethlehem and Monroe Campuses. It will be held at the Lipkin Theatre, Kopecek Hall, Bethlehem Campus, from 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and at the Monroe Campus, Room 108, Pocono Hall, in Tannersville from 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

The three-part event will be facilitated by Josh Rivedal, international speaker, author, playwright, educator, and arts entrepreneur. In the first part, a 15-character off-Broadway play, based on Rivedal's father's suicide, will be performed. This will be followed by an educational session about Rivedal's own struggle with depression, suicidal thoughts, a review of local and national helping resources, an outline of warning signs, and Rivedal's recovery. The program will conclude with a question-and-answer period.

Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, email erosenthal@northampton.edu.

Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center Community Programs, February 2019

Winter Plant Hike - Saturday, February 9 at 10:00am to 12:00pm Join us as we take a walk through the woods and fields of Jacobsburg in search of winter plants that provide food for birds and other animals as well as a few that can be used in a survival situation. Dress for the weather and wear comfortable hiking shoes. If we have snow we will hike in snowshoes! Registration is required.

Winter Tracking - Saturday, February 9 at 1:00pm to 3:00pm Could you tell if a bobcat was in the area? An owl? Join us as we walk through Jacobsburg in search of animal tracks and signs. Participants should dress for the weather and wear comfortable hiking shoes. If we have snow we will walk in snowshoes! Registration is required.

Birding at Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area Saturday, February 23 at 10:00am to 4:00pm

Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area is one of the premier birding spots in eastern Pennsylvania. Join us for this birding tour of Middle Creek as we enjoy the sights and sounds of Snow Geese, Tundra Swans, and other waterfowl. Cackling Gees and the rare Ross's Goose have been located among the Snow Geese flocks during previous trips. Bald Eagles and sometimes Golden Eagles have been seen. Please dress for the weather and bring a lunch and binoculars. This is a great opportunity for photographers. Meet at the Middle Creek Visitor Center at 10:00AM. Leaders will stay until dusk to look for Short-eared Owls and listen for American Woodcocks for those who are interested. Registration is required.

Snowshoes and Hiking Poles Available When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00 AM-2:30 PM

Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth Borrow snowshoe equipment to use on Jacobsburg's trails this winter! Snowshoes are available for folks of any age or shoe size, including small children. Snowshoes will not be made available during times of insufficient snow cover, usually at least six inches of snow is required. To borrow equipment, you must provide a driver's license or other form of state issued identification. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email jacobsburgsp@pa.gov. You can check our website for current winter conditions and snow depth: https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/WinterReport/Pages/default.aspx

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.

Valentine's Day Trivia Answers Question on page 11

Answers: 1. Saint Valentines; 2.Romeo & Juliet; 3. Aphrodite; 4. Roses; 5. Love Letter; 6. Sweetheart; 7. Sleeve; 8. Hugs; 9. Queen Victoria; 10. Tomato; 11. Georgie Porgie; 12. Dove

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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.ord

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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

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

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First United Methodist Church

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 610-588-4648 www.flicksvilleucc.org Sunday School 9:30a.m.Worship 10:45a.m.

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 Pastor John Vidal (570) 426-0645 www.firstumcwq.com

Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church

2904 Church Road, Martins Creek 9:00am Worship

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Grace Lutheran Church

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

Grace United Methodist Church

404 Mountain Avenue, Pen Argyl Sept 2- 8:30am Contemporary, 8:30am Contemporary Worship 10am Blended Service, Sunday School Nursery Care available at all services. 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

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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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Nazareth Moravian Church

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Northampton God's Missionary Church

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

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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 Dustin Ulrich, (610) 863-9274

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

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St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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