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AUGUST

NATIONAL DAYS

AUGUST 1 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
NATIONAL GIRLFRIENDS DAY
AUGUST 3 NATIONAL WATERMELON DAY
AUGUST 3 NATIONAL CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE DAY
AUGUST 6 NATIONAL FRIENDSHIP DAY
AUGUST 7 NATIONAL PURPLE HEART DAY
AUGUST 10 NATIONAL SMORES DAY
AUGUST 10 NATIONAL MIDDLE CHILD DAY
NATIONAL BOWLING DAY
AUGUST 13 NATIONAL LEFTHANDERS DAY
AUGUST 15 NATIONAL RELAXATION DAY
AUGUST 18 NATIONAL FAJITA DAY
AUGUST 19 NATIONAL SOFT ICE CREAM DAY
AUGUST 21 NATIONAL SENIOR CITIZENS DAY
AUGUST 24 NATIONAL PEACH PIE DAY
AUGUST 25 NATIONAL BANANA SPLIT DAY
AUGUST 30 NATIONAL GRIEF AWARENESS DAY

WEEKEND HAPPENINGS

Rock the Ribbon

Rock the Ribbon will be held **Sunday, July 30th, 12:00pm-8:00pm** Hosted by Joey Postal and Davey Coppola. Riverside Bar and Grill 5801 Delaware Drive, Easton, PA. Rain or Shine Event. Like them on Facebook.

EBUMC Pastie Sale

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church at 136 W. Central Ave., East Bangor, PA will hold a pastie sale. The selections include beef w/wo onions and broccoli-cheese w/wo onions. To order, call Lois at 610-588-1745 by **Sunday, July 30th**. Pasties must be picked up at the church on **Tuesday, August 1st, at 3:30 p.m.**

Pocono Dance and Social Club

The Pocono Dance and Social Club holds dances every **Friday 7:00pm-10:00pm**. The dances are held at the Quality Inn (1220 West Main St., Stroudsburg). For more information call Joan 570-992-6231 or Pam 570-402-3911.

Easton Singles and Married over 40 Dance

Easton Singles and Married over 40 group will hold a dance **every Saturday night through December 2nd from 7:00pm-10:00pm** at the Wind Gap American Legion 271 N. Broadway, Wind Gap. For more information call Norman 610-881-4140 or Paul 973-347-2070.

Local Historian Kenneth Klabunde to Speak about the State Theatre

State Theatre manager Kenneth Klabunde presents "The History of Easton's Fabulous State Theatre" on Thursday, August 3, at the Easton Area Public Library. The program begins at 6:30 pm.

The State celebrates its 90th anniversary this year. Using a slide program, Klabunde takes us through its various incarnations from vaudeville to movies to live performances. The public is invited to attend this free event. Refreshments will be provided.

The program will be held in the Catherine Drake Meeting Room, which is handicapped accessible from Church Street. The Easton Area Public Library is located at 5th and Church Streets.

For more information, call 610-258-2917 ext. 309.

Time to Start Thinking
BACK TO SCHOOL!
See Pages 12 & 13



**To Advertise in the
Back to School Section
Call 610-704-6818 or
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Our Lady of Mt. Carmel 124th Big Time Celebration

80 Ridge St., Roseto (school grounds)
JULY 26, 27, 28 (6:00-11:00 p.m.)
JULY 29 (6:00-Midnight)
FAMILY NIGHTS
July 26 & 27 (6:00-9:30 p.m.)
Ride Specials \$20.00
~ FREE ADMISSION ~



Traditional Food for Everyone to Enjoy!
*Pizza Fritta, Sausage & Peppers, Meatball Sandwiches,
Ice Cream Treats, & More*

COMMUNITY CARNIVALS, FAIRS & FESTIVALS

**124th Annual
Roseto Big Time**
July 26th thru 29th
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School Grounds,
Roseto, PA

**80th Annual Warren
County Farmers Fair
& Hot Air Balloon
Festival**
July 29-August 5
Harmony Township, Warren County NJ
3 miles North of Phillipsburg on RT. 519

Muskifest
August 4th thru 13th
22 W 3rd St, Bethlehem, PA
www.musikfest.org

St Rocco's Festival
August 10th thru 13th
School Street, Martins Creek, PA

**72nd Annual
Blue Valley
Farm Show**
August 15th thru 19th
Farm Show Grounds
707 American Bangor Road
Bangor, PA

West End Fair
August 20th thru 26th
570 Fairgrounds Road, Gilbert, PA,
www.thewestendfair.com

**The Great
Allentown Fair**
August 30th-Septemer 5th
302 N 17th St, Allentown, PA
www.allentownfairpa.org

**82nd Annual Labor
Day Celebration**
Lookout Fire Company #1
September 1st thru 4th
Parade September 4th
Weona Park, Rt. 512 Pen Argyl, PA

BLUE VALLEY FARM SHOW

PRE-REGISTRATION INFORMATION

If you have NEVER registered for the Blue Valley Farm Show or if you have registered IN YEARS gone by, YOU SHOULD STILL READ THE INFORMATION LISTED BELOW

Registration is set up for the "Beginner" as well as the "Expert" exhibitor. This night is set aside before the Blue Valley Farm Show opens so that anyone who is interested may register.

Blue Valley Farm Show Building

• 707 American Bangor Rd., Bangor, PA •

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 2ND

FROM
7PM - 8PM

COST IS \$2

for an Exhibitors number

• You can enter as many items as you like •



2017

Once you have paid your fee and received your exhibitor's number you are all set to enter any of the many and varied classes open to the public.

Questions Contact Melissa Koehler 610-498-2280

Roseto National Night Out

Roseto National Night Out will be held on **Tuesday, August 1st beginning at 5:00pm** with Medi-Vac landing Roseto Ball Park, Roseto, PA

Ice Cream Social – Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church

Saturday, August 5th 4:00pm-8:00pm. Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church (703 S. Delaware Dr., Mt. Bethel, PA) will hold an Ice Cream Social with entertainment, food and homemade ice cream.

Slate Belt Church Outdoor Coffee House Music Event

Slate Belt Church outdoor Coffee House Music Event will take place on **Friday, August 4th starting at 6:00pm.** Performing at this event will be artist Bill Doney and also Christian Rock Group "Once Called Saul". Snacks and refreshments will be provided. The event is free to the general public. Slate Belt Church is located at 1620 Church Road, Pen Argyl, PA. www.slatebeltchurch.com

The Slate Belt Heritage Center Monthly Presentation

The Slate Belt Heritage Center will hold their monthly historic presentation on **Thursday, August 10th at 7:00pm.** In a continuing theme, based upon the release of the "Letters to Homefront" book, the Center will honor those members of the "Greatest Generation" as Homefront guests. Come hear first-hand experiences from veterans and those on the home front of how they were impacted from World War II. Any veterans or Homefront Fairests' who would like to participate are cordially welcome to attend. The event is free and open to the public. The Heritage Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, Pa and has a chair lift. For additional information please contact: Karen Brewer at 610-588-8615

Upcoming Events: **Thursday, September 14th, 7:00pm** - Quarries and Murals - Jim Gloria

Thursday, October, 12th, 7:00 pm - Haunted Heritage Presentation

Bangor Memorial Park Pool 2017 Summer Events

August 12th: Summer Pool Party 1:00pm-4:00pm

August 19th: Pooch Plunge at Pool Time to be announced.

The last day of the pool season is one for our furry friends. Come out with man's (or women's) best friend and enjoy one of the last days of summer with a doggie swim day!

Anyone interested in volunteering for the Park Board or any of these events can contact Debbie Smith at bangorparkboard@gmail.com or 610-751-7692.

The Slate Belt Heritage Center Annual Golf Tournament

The Slate Belt Heritage Center will hold their Annual Golf Tournament on **Friday, August 11th**, at the Shawnee Golf Resort. **"Shotgun Start" is at 7:30am** with registration, coffee and danish from 6:30am – 7:30am. Format 4-Man Scramble cost includes-golf cart, food and cookout after the event. Prizes: "Longest Drive" and "Closest to Pin". For more information email sbhc@frontier.com. Deadline to enter is **Monday, July 31, 2017.**

New Approach Show Postponed

What does a birth, knee surgery, and shingles all have in common? Answer: Three reasons why we have to postpone the New Approach Show, normally held the first weekend in August, to a later date sometime this Fall. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause but have no choice but to have the show at a later date. More info coming soon....

2nd Annual Angel 34 Cars for Kids with Cancer Car Show

The 2nd Annual Angel 34 Cars for Kids with Cancer Car Show Hosted by Slate Belt Mighty MOPARS will be held on **Sunday, August 13th, 9:00am-3:00pm.** Reagle Dodge/Dotta Chrysler-Jeep, Rt 512 5 miles N. of Wind Gap. For show info contact Rick Hageman 610-381-7222 or Bruce Ott 610-863-6900 or visit the website www.slatebeltmightymopars.com. Rain or Shine Event.

EBUMC USED BOOK SALE

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church is holding a "Used Book Sale" on **Friday, August 18th from 4:00pm to 8:00pm and Saturday, August 19th from 9:00am to 4:00pm** Remaining books will be sold per bagful on **Monday, August 21st from 4:00pm to 8:00pm** There will be books for children and adults, all at bargain prices. Baked goods will also be for sale on Friday and Saturday. Donations will be accepted from **August 7th-August 15th.** To donate, call Lisa at 610-588-8881. The church is located at 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor, PA. For more info., visit www.ebumc.org.

Lower Mt. Bethel Twsp. Movies in The Park

Lower Mt Bethel Twsp. presents movies in the park Disneys Beauty and the Beast, **Saturday, August 26th**, event opens at **7:30pm** movie starts at dusk. Cash snack bar will be available. Proceeds benefit the LMBS Sandt's Eddy Fire Co.

UMBT Park Committee to Host Craft Show

The Upper Mount Bethel Township Park Committee is hosting their 1st annual Craft Show on **September 9, 2017 from 8:00am-4:00pm.** at the UMBT Community Park located on Potomac Street, in Mt. Bethel. For crafter space or any additional information please contact Sharon Cerny at 570-801-2411.

Slate Belt Photography Club

Meetings are held **every 2nd Thursday of the Month at 7:00pm** at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, 404 Broadway, Bangor, Pa. For more info contact: Ricky Mensch @ Sbpc216@gmail.com



**124th QUEEN OF ROSETO BIG TIME
NICOLE MASTROGIOVANNI**

Nicole Mastrogiovanni, daughter of Mark and Melissa Mastrogiovanni will be crowned the 124th Queen of the Roseto Big Time on **Saturday evening, July 29th**. Nicole will be crowned by the 2016 Queen, Christina Bubba during the festivities which begin at **6:30pm**.

The Emcee for this year's event is Mrs. Roberta Renaldo, a lifetime parishioner of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Roseto.

This year's Queen's Court is: Natalie Binder, daughter of Jason and Melissa Pullo Binder; Alexa Carmella and Annalee Carmella, daughters of Thomas and Denise Carmella; Kendall Decker, daughter of Kimber and Gabrielle Decker; Sophia Genteel, daughter of Victoria Genteel and Corey Genteel; Isabella Goffredo, daughter of Thomas and Jill Goffredo; Shannon Louszko, daughter of Christopher and Rita Louszko and Anna Maida, daughter of Joseph and Tara Maida.

The Queen's flower girls are Francesca Reto, daughter of John and April Reto and Madilyn Vasquez, daughter of Samantha Molle.

Queen Nicole's crown-bearer is Franco Comunale, son of Frankie and Ashly Comunale.

The page boys for Queen Nicole are Domenico Ilardi and Vincenzo Ilardi, sons of Fabio and Elizabeth Ilardi.

On **Sunday, July 30th**, Queen Nicole will crown the statue of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, the patroness of the church. Parishioners will then gather for the traditional procession and recitation of the rosary and conclude the week's event with Benediction in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church.

District 10 Trappers 2017 Fall Trapping Convention

September 22nd 12:00pm-6:00pm and 23rd 8:00am-6:00pm at the Northampton County 4-H Center (777 Bushkill Center Rd. Nazareth, PA 18064). Free Admission, Free Demos, Food on premises, Tailgaters welcome. Contact Bob Counterterman 610-759-9203.

Hope UCC Bus Trip to Sight and Sound

Hope UCC of Wind Gap is sponsoring a trip to Sight & Sound Theatres to see JONAH on **Saturday, October 14th**. For further info or to reserve your package(s) please call or email Jen at 908-727-0090 or hopeucc@hotmail.com. Price includes bus, lunch, and show ticket. Money due no later than 08/03/2017 (no refunds).

The 6th Annual BVFS Pet Photo Contest

The 6th Annual Blue Valley Farm Show Pet Photo Contest sponsored by Leck Veterinary Hospital will be held at the **72nd Annual Blue Valley Farm Show, August 15-19**. Contest details are as follows: ALL PHOTOS MUST BE A 5X7 Photo No other accepted. Include on back of photo: Pets name, owners name, address, and phone number. Mail photos to Deb Sandt, 13 Liberty Lane, Mt Bethel, PA 18343. Deadline for all entries is **MONDAY, AUGUST 14th at 7:00pm**. No entries will be accepted after. Entries may be brought to BVFS office on **Monday, AUGUST 14th 3:00pm-7:00pm**. One dollar equals 100 votes. Winners will be announced Saturday, August 19th, on the stage at 9:00pm.

Tatamy Historical Society – Car Show

Sunday, September 10th 9:30am-2:30pm; Car show will be held on Broad Street in Tatamy, PA. Classes are Truck, Street Rod through 1949, Custom 1950 to present, Motorcycles. Stock classes 1903-1949, 1950-1959, 1960-1969, 1970-1979, 1980-1989, 1990-1999 and 2000 to present. You may pick up an entry form at the Tatamy Municipal building or call 610-759-6268 or 610-703-2107 or email jduel@rcn.com

We love hearing from you! Share your news and events in The Belt and Beyond.

Email news to Thebeltandbeyond@gmail.com or mail to The Belt and Beyond P.O. Box 33, Bangor PA. 18013

Peach Festival

**• Saturday, August 12th •
3:00 PM-9:00 PM**



**Homemade Food, Games, Bingo
Cake Walk, 50 Prize Raffle**

We have many picnic tables or bring a lawn chair
In case of rain food sold in the church 3:00 PM-7:00 PM

**Music By
Dan Flok and
the Ravens**



**Salem Ucc Church Grove
2218 Community Drive (RT. 946)
Bath, PA (Moorestown)**

**ST. ROCCO'S CHURCH
ANNUAL
FESTIVAL**

August 10 Thru August 12
Martins Creek, PA 18063
6:00PM - 10:30PM

RAIN OR SHINE!

- Great Food & Drinks
- Games for All Ages
- Live Entertainment
- Amusements for Kids
- FREE Parking
- Family Fun!

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Featuring Clams on Friday Night!

Entertainment Schedule			CONCLUDING CEREMONY
THURSDAY August 10	FRIDAY August 11	SATURDAY August 12	SUNDAY August 13
UNCLE ROCCO Uncle Rocco Band 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	THE HEADLINERS The Headliners Band 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	CRAZY HEART Crazy Heart Band 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	ALL STANDS ARE CLOSED! 11:00 AM MASS Held under the Pavilion, Followed by a Procession to the church.
Stands open 6:00 PM - 10:30 PM			

DIRECTIONS from Easton, PA : Go North on 611, 6 miles to Martins Creek, turn left on Front St. at the traffic light, go one block turn right on Center Street and follow parking Signs.

Merchants Bank Walkers Bus Trip to San Genaro Festival

The Merchants Bank Walkers are sponsoring a bus trip to New York on **Saturday, Sept. 16th**, to the San Genaro Festival, in New York. Little Italy will be the one and only drop off and pick up location. The San Genaro Festival will be taking place for anyone to enjoy but there are many other places of interest nearby in walking distance or by taxi. The bus will leave from the 191 branch at **8:30am** and leave NY at **4:30pm**. All proceeds will be donated to The American Cancer Society thru Relay For Life/Slate Belt. For information contact Karen at 484-390-0743 or any branch of Merchants Bank.

Historical Bangor Business Association

The Historical Bangor Business Association will host a Wine and Music Festival on **Saturday, September 23, 12:00 pm-6:00pm** Event will be held rain or shine and will take place on Broadway, in Bangor. If you are a Bangor Business owner and are interested in getting involved and supporting small businesses and your community. Please contact Pies to Die For Cafe at 610-340-4756 or www.facebook.com/historicalbangorbusinessassociation



Vacation Bible Schools

PRINCE OF PEACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH – "Passport To Peru" – Discovering God's Good Gifts! Is this year's theme for vacation bible school held **July 24th thru 28th 6:15pm to 8:00pm**. All children from ages 2 to 11 are invited to attend VBS. For more information and registration forms visit the church website: www.popbangor.org. Church is located at 2445 Lake Minsi Drive, Bangor, PA.

NAZARETH MORAVIAN CHURCH - **July 24th-28th** 4 South Main Street, Nazareth, (610) 759-3163, nazarethmoravian.org

BENDERS CHURCH - **JULY 31st-AUG 4th, 6-8pm** 975 Benders Church Rd. Pen Argyl. Contact Crystal:(610)462-1924 or crysb@rcn.com. Ages 4-12. Transportation provided if needed.

SALEM UCC MOORESTOWN - **August 14th-18th, 6:00pm-8:00pm** (dinner is included). 2218 Community Drive, Bath, Pa. This year's theme "HERO CENTRAL", Discover your Strength in God! For cost and sign up your kids please call 610-759-1652

Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center Community Programs

DiscoverE Adventure Backpacks Available Monday thru Saturday, 8:00 AM to 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.

Fishing Rods and Tackle Available Monday thru Saturday, 8:00 AM to 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.

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.



Bailey Brugler named to Dean's List at Misericordia

Bailey Brugler, son of Brent and Tonya Brugler of Nazareth was named to the Dean's List with a 4.0 for the 2017 Spring semester at Misericordia University. He is a 2015 graduate of Nazareth High School and is pursuing his Doctorate in Physical Therapy.



Blue Mt Community Library Fundraiser

The Blue Mountain Community Library will be holding a "Library Night at Wendy's" Fundraiser on **Wednesday, August 2nd, from 5:00pm to 8:00pm** at Wendy's Restaurant, Route 512, Wind Gap, PA. Wendy's will generously donate a portion of all sales that night to the Library in Pen Argyl. The fundraiser will include dine-in, and take-out, and drive-through orders. Please consider supporting the Blue Mountain Community Library by purchasing a meal from Wendy's. The money will be used to purchase new books and to meet the many expenses associated with maintaining the building. Membership to the library is free to all residents of the Pen Argyl School District and non-residents may join for a small yearly fee.

For the Month of August, the library "Book Nook Special" is buy any puzzle and get another puzzle free. Are you looking for a book on Local History or a Yearbook? The library has many Pen Argyl High School yearbooks for sale, as well as books on local history. We are also interested in obtaining more of these books, in particular, "Ring the Bells for Olde Pen Argyl." Anyone wishing to donate this type of book can 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.

The Friends of the Bangor Public Library Summer Book Sale

The Friends of the Bangor Public Library will hold their Annual Summer Book Sale at the Blue Valley Farm Show the week of **August 15th – 19th, Tuesday-Friday, from 6:00pm - 10:00pm**. The event will be in the gray display barn on the upper grounds of the fair. **Saturday is bag day 12:00pm - 5:00pm**. Like new and gently used books in all genres will be available for adults and children. Donations are now being accepted at the Bangor library during Library hours. Books must be in good condition, soiled, torn, and college textbooks will not be accepted. For additional information contact Karen Brewer at 610-588-8615.

Columcille Autumn Women's Retreat

Join the Women of Columcille at the Autumn Women's Retreat **Friday, Aug., 25th - Sun., Aug. 27th**. at the Kirkridge Farmhouse. For information and to register visit their website www.columcille.org.

If you wish to charge your registration fee to your credit or debit card please contact Beth Guida at beth@rainbowofpromise.com.

Registration deadline is August 22nd. There are a limited number of partial scholarships available. Email Beth at beth@rainbowofpromise.com for further information on availability. Registration deadline is August 22nd.

Going Out of Town - Let the SBRPD Know

Going out of town/vacation? Let the State Belt Regional Police Department know that your house will be vacant and they will do frequent drive-bys to ensure that your home is watched. Visit slatebeltpd.pstatstwp.org and go to contact us tab to fill out a vacation / residence check request. Officers will swing by your residence to make sure your home is safe.

Upper Mount Bethel Township and Portland would like to extend their thanks and appreciation to the following people and organizations for participating in their 1st Annual 4th of July Parade and also to all the spectators, families and children. It made their first parade a success!

Senator Mario Scavello	Monroe County Cruisers	Portland Fire Department
American Legion	Baarda Farms	Pennsylvania State Police
Teel Auction	Bangor Girls Softball	Waste Management
TK's Bar & Grill	Summer Santa Ed Nelson	Refiners Fire Ministry
Pocono Harley Davidson	Esther's Face Painting	Slate Belt Museum
Att Car Club	Mount Bethel Fire Department	Bethlehem Industrial Museum
Tri-County Vettes	Knowlton Fire Department	
Hi-Winders	East Bangor Fire Department	<i>Thank You</i>

Quiet Valley's Heritage Craft Day

Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm will feature the 11th annual Heritage Craft Day on Saturday, August 5 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Demonstrators will show traditional heritage craft skills of the 1800s throughout the day. There will be hands-on opportunities for visitors who wish to try out some of these crafts for themselves. There is a special children's make and take craft area.



Karen Wood on Heritage Craft Day

Demonstrations such as spinning, weaving, wheat weaving, bobbin lace, horn work, pottery, and blacksmithing will take place. The purpose of Heritage Craft Day is to provide a greater awareness of these historic folk crafts that were essential to everyday living in previous generations. This is a wonderful chance for individuals, families and children to explore the exciting world of traditional crafts.

Members of the Pocono Gourd Society and the Pocono Embroiderers Guild will be in attendance. The crafters will be under tents in case of rain. The schedule is subject to change.

A presentation on fiber arts and natural fibers will take place during the day.

Heritage Craft Day, a part of Quiet Valley's summer "Art from the Heart" series, is supported by a Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts Project Stream grant.

Heritage Craft Day is included in the regular admission price, children two and under are free. Farm tours are available throughout the day on Saturday from 10:00am to 5:00pm. The bake oven will be in operation. There will also be wagon rides for a small fee, weather permitting. Farm and event are open rain or shine. Arrive by 2:15 to see all parts of the farm tour.

Sixth Annual Mass at St. Roch Catholic Church

On **Tuesday, August 15, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**, the Sixth Annual Mass in honor of St. Roch will be celebrated at the closed church on Second Street, West Bangor. The Rev. Msgr. Vincent P. York, pastor of St. Elizabeth Catholic Parish will be the celebrant.

Parishioners and friends of the former St. Roch Church are invited to participate in this Annual Mass. Each year since 2012, the Diocese of Allentown has granted permission to celebrate the Mass in honor of St. Roch, the Patron Saint. Included in the Mass will be the liturgy, music and readings in honor St. Roch.

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August 5 Heritage Craft Day

A day dedicated to traditional craft & trade skill demonstrations
Try some crafts out, Children's activities
This event is sponsored in part by a PA Partners in the Arts grant

Sept 2 Farm to Table Experience

4pm to 6:30pm small groups go out every 20 minutes to 4 stops on the farm for tastings & food lore \$20pp

quietvalley.org 570-992-6161 Stroudsburg PA

CRAFT SHOW
UPPER MOUNT BETHEL TOWNSHIP PARK COMMITTEE
1ST ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW
Saturday, September 9, 2017
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
UMBT Community Park located on Potomac Street, Mt. Bethel.
CRAFTERS ONLY: 10x10 space \$25.00, double space \$40.00.
There will be no electric available, please bring your generator if needed, tents, tables, and chairs. Include a brief description of the craft you will be selling with payment. Checks payable to UMBT, cash also accepted. Mail or drop off at the township building-387 Ye Old Hwy. Mt. Bethel, PA 18343.
For additional information please contact Sharon Cerny at 570-801-2411

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Engagement Announcements
COLE-NARANJO



Charles and Mary Lou Cole of Roseto are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Allison to Marcos C. Naranjo, son of Marcos and Nenita Naranjo of Bethlehem. Allison is a graduate of Bangor High School and Kutztown University and is employed at Kay Jewelers. Marcos graduated from Freedom High School and Bloomsburg University and is employed with Dun and Bradstreet. A July 2018 wedding is planned.



GROTE-KESSLER

Sally Fisher, of Bethlehem, PA announces the engagement of her daughter Katie Grote to Philip Kessler. Philip is the son of Richard and Patricia Kessler of Bangor, PA. Katie is a graduate of Desales University and is employed by Tolino Vineyards and Winery. Philip is a graduate of Bloomsburg and is employed by KEHE (warehouse/distribution). Wedding date was not set at time of publication.



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 Email: thebeltandbeyond@gmail.com
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Slate Belt Chamber Santa's Elves

By Candy Martin

Since the early 1980's the Santa's Elves has been hosting a Christmas party for children in need in the Slate Belt. The Santa's Elves is a committee within the Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce who helps to brighten the holidays each year for one hundred plus children.

Over 35 years ago, when the Santa's Elves Committee was newly formed they accepted donations of new and used toys for the children.

At that time, former chair of the committee, Diane Perin, made the decision to only purchase new toys, as some of the donated toys were not in the best condition or had missing pieces. She also felt that every child deserves a new toy for Christmas.

Patti Guarry, has been the chair of the committee for nearly 30 years. She and her side kick and niece, Nadine Moyer, who has also been involved with the committee for the same length of time have many fond memories from their years with the group. The Santa's Elves committee is comprised of 20 individuals, who volunteer their time fundraising, shopping and wrapping all the gifts for the party. Each year the committee hosts an amazing holiday party for the children. Patti has now turned the reins over to committee member Joann Ginder, she says "it's time for me to slow down but I still plan to be involved as the Santa's Elves is near and dear to my heart". Patti and husband Richard are "Santa and Mrs. Claus" at many local events.

The Slater Family Network and Families First also has a role in helping the committee. Each year they send letters to families in their districts, inviting children to the party, who they feel would benefit most from the Santa's Elves effort.

The one and only fundraiser that the Santa's Elves committee has is a "Dime Toss" booth at the Blue Valley Farm Show. Committee members collect glassware, mugs, and specialty glassware (no dish sets) throughout the year for the dime toss. Proceeds from the fundraiser are used to buy gifts for the children and help to defray the cost of the party. Please look for and support the Santa's Elves "Dime Toss" this year at the Blue Valley Farm Show the week of August 15th-19th.

The committee does all the shopping for the gifts and also has a wrapping night. All members meet and wrap all the gifts for the children. When the big day finally arrives, the volunteers meet for breakfast and then it's off to the Blue Valley Farm Show hall to decorate and get ready for the children to arrive. The children are greeted and seated and then given a coloring page. After lunch is served, which consists of a hot dog, chips, snack cake, and a drink. They are treated to Linda Holliday, a professional ventriloquist, and magician. She delights the children and committee members as well with her show. Santa and Mrs. Claus arrive to meet the children and each child is called to come and receive their gifts which includes: slippers, pajamas, a hat, gloves an age appropriate toy and other goodies. For some of the children, these are the only gifts they receive at Christmas. The smiles on the children's faces and the sparkle in their eyes is what makes this effort all worthwhile.

The Santa's Elves committee is happy to be able to host the party and is very grateful to the many businesses and individuals who donate each year to help continue the tradition of the Slate Belt Chamber Santa's Elves Committee Christmas party.

If you are interested in volunteering or making a donation to the Santa's Elves. Please contact the Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce at 610-588-1000.

Donations can be mailed to 364 Blue Valley Drive, Bangor, PA. 18013





God's Garden of Grace
by Candy Martin

The Garden at St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Plainfield Township, named, "God's Garden of Grace," is in full bloom with an

abundance of vegetables. This is not just any garden, since 2011 God's Garden of Grace has been growing, and the vegetables have been donated to area food banks to help in feeding many in the area as well as the surrounding communities.

The garden's harvest is distributed to local food banks throughout the area that includes: Hope UCC Church, Wind Gap The Salvation Army, Pen Argyl, Slater Family Network, and Mission of Love Food Bank, Bangor and PCCT, the Pleasant Valley Ecumenical Food Pantry in Saylorsburg and Safe Harbor in Easton, PA. All food banks are associated with Second Harvest (<http://www.shfbv.org/>)

Approximately 6-8 volunteers meet twice a week on Saturdays and Mondays from 8:00am to 10:00am. Anyone wishing to volunteer their time at

the garden is asked to come to St Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, during that time. The church is located at 1422 Church Rd Pen Argyl, PA 18072.



**Slate Belt Heritage Center
Bus Trip to National Civil War Museum**

Join the Slate Belt Heritage Center for their bus trip to the National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg, PA, on **Saturday, September 16, 2017. The bus will leave at 8:00 am** from Weis Market, Route 512 in Bangor, and will return at 5:00 pm. Tickets includes bus ticket and admission ticket into the museum. This is the only museum that tells the entire Civil War story. Local Civil War expert and the National Civil War Museum educator Dane DiFebo will host a special presentation for the tour. See exhibits, visit with re-enactors on the museum grounds, attend Hari Jones program on the United State Colored Troops in the South from 1865-1870 and much more. Reservations are required and a light lunch will be provided. Tickets are available at Bray's News, 36 Broadway and Heard's Market, 501 South Main Street, both in Bangor, PA. For additional information contact: Cathy Heard at 610-588-0735

Bangor High School Class of '67 50th Reunion

The Bangor High School Class of 1967 will hold their 50th Reunion on Saturday, October 28, 2017 at the Shawnee Inn Resort. Addresses are needed for the following classmates: Susan Dennis, Joseph Duvo, Linda Engler, William Fisher, Harvey Frable, Susan Horn, Kathryn Jewell, Stephen Lamson, Paul Meyers, Carol Sagan, Allison Smith, Roberta Stull, John Sullivan and Mortimer Wells III. Anyone with information can contact: Ken Brewer at 484-515-3052.

Slate Belt Band

The Slate Belt Band is taking a break for the summer. Practice will start up again in September. For more info., find us on Facebook or call 610-588-8881.



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The 10th Annual Martin on Main Festival Returns to Nazareth!

The Nazareth Bath Regional Chamber of Commerce is pleased to present the tenth annual Martin on Main. Live music, delicious food, and the excitement of the crowd will be back in historic downtown Nazareth on **Saturday, August 5, 2017, from 1:00pm to 7:00pm.**

The Unofficial Martin Guitar Forum musicians have live acoustic guitar music from 1 pm to 6 pm at the main stage in the circle downtown. The group secured this year's headliners which is Wil Maring & Robert Bowlin. They will play from 3:00-4:00 pm. For additional information, you can also check out the Unofficial Martin Guitar Forum site at www.umgf.org. Or martinonmain.com.

Most musicians are celebrating with their Martin guitars, but instruments will range from banjos to mandolins.

Closing the main stage from 6:00-7:00pm will be Martin Ambassadors, Porter & Sayles, sponsored by Martin Guitar.

Over 40 artisans will be present this year to display their talents and sell their work, and local restaurants and caterers will bring a taste of their cuisine. Local wine, Meade and beer will also be featured. Martin Guitar will have a special display featuring the history of the company as well as Martin Guitar products available for purchase.

Ever wanted to own a Martin guitar? Martin has donated a guitar to be raffled off during the festival and the winning ticket may be yours. All proceeds to benefit non-profit organizations. Tickets are available for advance purchase at the Nazareth Bath Regional Chamber of Commerce office, or the day of the festival. For additional information on the festival, please visit the official event page: <http://www.nazarethchamber.com/martin-on-main>.

There is still time to join us as a vendor for the event, so call today to register! August 5th from 1:00 pm-7:00 pm, rain or shine, plan on attending this great family event.



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Community Kids

Photos submitted by Heather Fischer

Community Kids is a **Free** program for kids focusing on **PRIDE, RESPECT, KINDNESS, and HONESTY**, held every **Thursday, in July from 6:30pm to 8:00pm** at the Portland

Ball Field. The program is open to children 5 years of age and up, children ages 7 years and under must be accompanied by an adult.

The week of July 6th the program's focus

was "Having Pride in your Community". Judge Alicia Zito was the guest speaker and spoke to the children about the different types of communities that they are a part of and how they can show pride in them. They also enjoyed a night of painting, participated in a fun activity using teamwork, and were very respectful as they interacted with Judge Zito and their peers.

On July 13th, the topic was "Respect in Your Community." The children met local police officers and firemen and had the opportunity to see a fire truck up close. The kids listened as Pastor Jessica of Refiner's Fire Ministry spoke to them about respecting authority and the important people in their community.

July 20th, the topic for the evening was "Showing Kindness in Your Community." The children wrote letters and made a craft to send to the troops. Portland Councilwoman, Heather Fischer, stressed the importance of being kind to others and taking the time to follow through with random acts of kindness that could change someone's life.

The last night of the program will be held on Thursday, July 27th. The topic will be "Honesty is the Best Policy" with Guest Speaker Pastor Jessica of Refiner's Fire Ministry. After, the kids will each receive a certificate of completion for their hard work during the 4-week program! Each week the kids end group with a physical activity led by Rebecca & Kyle O'Connell.

Kudos to Refiner's Ministry and Portland Councilwoman, Heather Fischer for co-hosting "Community Kids" and all involved for helping to instill the importance of pride, respect, kindness, honesty and community service in our youth! **Photos continued on page 28.**



Judge Alicia Zito speaks to the children.



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Back-to-School Tips that Save Time and Money



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(Family Features) Back-to-school season means it's time to get back to the business of learning. This year you can ace your back-to-school shopping excursion with these time and money saving steps that can make getting the whole family ready for a new school year a breeze.

Start with a list. Walking into the store without a list is an open invitation for impulse buys and forgotten items that end up costing you more time and money with a return trip. Create a thorough list by categorizing all the items you'll shop for, such as supplies, electronics, and clothing.

Set a budget. Knowing what you can afford to spend ahead of time can save regret and returns after you shop. Calculate how much you'll need to cover all the items your students truly need, then tack on some room for wants. One must-have is a high-quality backpack, like the High Sierra Access Backpack, which includes a dedicated storage area for your child's laptop, among other features. If your total budgeted expenses exceed your available funds, consider browsing weekly circulars to keep your budget in check.

Explore your inventory. It may be buried under a summer's worth of knick-knacks, but digging out the supplies your child cast aside at the end of the last school year may be worth the effort. Items like scissors, rulers and protractors may not need to be replaced every year if they're still in working condition. Assess what items you have that can be reused and those that need to be replaced for the new school year.

Cut extra stops. Dashing all over town to find all the items on your supply list is not only time-consuming, it's unnecessary. At stores like Office Depot and OfficeMax, you can find all the academic tools and supplies your student needs to head back to the classroom. What's more, a store that specializes in school supplies will have a broad selection and ample stock of the essentials.

Try online shopping. When you know exactly what you need, shopping online is a great time-saving solution. If you need to hand-select a few items in person, you can always take advantage of a "buy online, pick-up in store" option. This service lets you do your shopping from home with just a quick stop in-store to pick-up your purchases.

Buy in bulk. It may seem counter-intuitive when you're trying to trim your spending, but if you can swing it, go ahead and buy extra items that you'll likely need to replace mid-year. The sale prices during the back-to-school season aren't likely to repeat during the school year, so in the long run you'll save money and avoid a last-minute shopping trip on a busy school night in the future. Items like Stellar fashion notebooks, which give notetaking a fashionable twist, are great to have on hand throughout the school year.

Research specials and promotions. For many stores, the back-to-school shopping season is second only to the holidays. This means you can expect widespread sales, promotions and special deals, such as "deals as low as a penny." Some states also offer tax-free holidays near the beginning of the school year, which are honored at multiple retailers and generally restricted to school-related purchases like clothing, supplies and some technology.

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Bangor Memorial Park Pool Splash Dance and Family Luau

Photos by Lisa Newberry and Candy Martin
The Bangor Park Board Hosted two fun summer events "Splash Dance" and a "Family Luau" recently at the Bangor Memorial Park Pool. Both events were well attended with the Family Luau having a huge attendance with the sweltering temperatures. The annual events are a fun night with games, contests, and music for area youth and families. The next events will be held **August 12th a Summer Pool Party and August 19th, a Pooch Plunge!**



BMCL & Waste Management Nature Adventure "Landfill Trucks and More!"

photos by Sabrina Schantzen
The Blue Mt Community Library and Waste Management partnered for a summer program "Nature Adventures" for children entering Kindergarten through 3rd grade. The second of three Nature Adventures, "Landfill Trucks and more!" took place on Wednesday, July 12th.

The final program of the series "Bluebirds and Swallows" will be held on Wednesday, August 12th. Nature Adventures are held at the WM Environmental Center 891 Grand Central Road, Pen Argyl.

For more information call 610-863-3029.



Judy Hahn, volunteer, at the Blue Mountain Library, reads to the children and parents.



Grayson Shank of Pen Argyl, is excited to be sitting in the "Big Truck"



Adrienne Fors, WM Community Relations, shows the children a female Blue Bird.



Lucas Sandt, dressed in Personal Protective Equipment.



Liberty Fire Co Carnival

Photos by Nick Pulsinelli

The Annual Liberty Fire Co. Carnival was held July 13, 14, 15. The event features, food, games, live music, and plenty of steamed clams. A good time is always had by all who attend!



2017 Slaters Football Members



Greg Bisher, Denny Sylvester, and Jason Albert—the men behind the clams



Nonni and Pop treating Lacey and Julianna Tigar to some of the famous Jacktown Ice Cream



The Hungry crowd indulging in the freshly steamed clams



Len Thomas Jr., Josh Labar and Joey Pinto



Slate Belt Mini Food Truck Festival

Photos by Lisa Newberry

The Slate Belt Mini-Food Truck Festival was held at Weona Park on Saturday, July 15th. The event is sponsored by the Lookout Fire Co. #1.

The fundraiser helps to support Lukie's Fall Festival to Support Cure SMA, and the Lookout Fire Company #1 David E. Mutton Memorial Scholarship. The 13th Annual Lukie's Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, October 8th at Weona Park.



The band "Blind Choice."



Lisa Rigione and son, Connor representing Pink Heals Slate Belt Chapter and Gift of Life.



Kendras Buttercup Bakery



Jamie Pysker

BMCL Book Sale

Photos by Sabrina Schantzen

The Blue Mt Community Library held their Semi-annual Book Nook Sale July 13th-15th. The "Book Nook" is located on the second floor of the library.

The sale included gently used children's and adult books, puzzles, DVD's and CD's. The Blue Mt. Community Library is located at 216 S. Robinson Avenue, Pen Argyl.



Nancy Chuss, board member, and volunteer



Jasmine Holland



Landon and Ethan Meyers



Priscilla Kuster, volunteer



Dave King, 15-year volunteer

Plainfield Farmer's Fair

Photos By Nick Pulsinelli

The 69th Annual Plainfield Farmer's Fair was held the week of July 18th-22nd.

The heat nor the rain did not stop fair goers from coming to Plainfield. Good food, nightly entertainment, the Demolition Derby, Tractor Pulls, Kids Power Wheels, Live Stock Shows, Bingo, Exhibits and Crafts are why people look forward to the Plainfield Farmer's Fair!



Michelle and Mark Fulmer with the Fay Fulmer Award recipient Justin Hawkland



The rain didn't keep spectators away at the Demolition Derby



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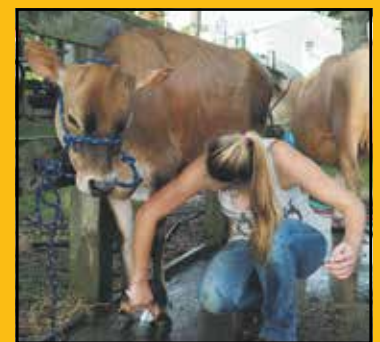
The Line for Milkshakes despite rain



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Hannah Kromer cleaning her cow up for the show