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CONTACT US: thebeltandbeyond@gm P.O. Box 33, Bangor, Pa		is available behind the Stockertown Municipal Building. Donations welcome. FMI visit nasmemrr.org Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center
610.704.6818 Like us on Facebook "The Belt and Beyond" Online at www.thebeltandbeyond.com		Maple Sugaring Public Day - Learn how to tap a maple tree to obtain sap and watch as we demonstrate how to cook the sap until it is sweet maple syrup! The tour will end at our pancake station where you will get to taste the
Publisher/Editor Candy Martin Account Executive		finished product over fresh pancakes! Pre-registration is required. Dates available are March 4th and March 11th. Please call 570-629-3061 for fees/FMI and to schedule your tour. Please dress appropriately for the weather and trail walking!
Contributing Writer Kathleen J. McFa Contributing Photograp Kris Ordinsky-Park	ll her	EBUMC Free Community Dinner The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church welcomes you to a FREE "Chicken/Sausage Fettucini Alfredo" Dinner on Sunday, March 5th, 4:00PM to 4:30PM. This is TAKE-OUT ONLY. The church is
Photographers Lisa Newberry, Jennifer Sabrina Morris Graphic Design Joelyn Peifly	Frinkley,	Iocated at 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor, PA Questions? call 610-588-4453 or visit www.ebumc.org. 3rd Annual Slate Belt Restaurant Week The 3rd Annual Slate Belt Restaurant Week will be held Sunday March 5th to Saturday, March 11th to see participating restaurants and view menus visit
Email your news and even thebeltandbeyond@gma		slatebeltchamber.org/restaurant-week-2023 see ad page 3 for details
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Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner

The Knights of Columbus will hold a Take out ONLY Spaghetti Dinner on **Sunday, March 12th.** All tickets must be purchased by **Monday, March 6th.** Pick will be **11:00AM to 4:30PM** at the K of C home, 1860 W. Bangor Rd., Bangor. For Tickets, call Jim Rose 610-533-9974 or Joe DeFranco 610-751-2330.

Community Blood Drive at Chestnuthill Township Park

Monday March 6th 9:00AM to 1:00PM at the Park Building. 221 Route 715 South Brodheadsville, PA 18322 If you would like to schedule an appointment please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and Enter: Chestnuthill.

Weona Park Pool Pals Fundraiser at ScoreCard

The Weona Park Pool Pals will hold a fundraiser at the Scorecard Sports Bar and Grill on **Tuesday March 7th**, stop by or place your order online or by phone for pickup and 15% of your food and non alcoholic beverage total will be donated to the Weona Park Pool Pals. The Scorecard Sports Bar and Grill is located at 130 N. Broadway, Wind Gap and **open 4:00PM to 2:00AM.**

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

The Mt. Bethel Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary will host their Monthly Soup Nite on **Thursday**, **March 9th**, **4:00PM to 7:00PM** at the Mt Bethel Vol. Fire Co., 2341 N. Delaware Drive, Mt Bethel, PA. Two varieties of homemade soups will be available by the quart for takeout. This will be the last Soup Night for the season. FMI contact Diane at 973-202-3317.

Mt Bethel Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Aux. 29th Annual Spring Craft/Vendor Show

on **Saturday, March 11th, 9:00AM to 3:00PM** at the Mt Bethel Fire House 2341 N. Delaware Drive, Mt Bethel, PA 18343. **See ad page 4 for details**

Mount Pocono House of Prayer March Bingo

Mount Pocono House of Prayer will host a March Bingo on Saturday, March 11th, 7:00 PM (Doors Open at 5:00 PM) 216 Eagle Valley Mall East Stroudsburg, PA. FMI Call 570-972-4780. see ad page 6 for details

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Count Down to Spring 18 Days

First Day of Spring Monday, March 20







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Kitchen will be open Mt Bethel Fire House 2341 N. Delaware Drive Mt Bethel, PA 18343

ADMISSION

Marine Corp League Meeting

The Northampton County Detachment #298 Marine Corps League will meet at **Saturday March 4th, 11:00AM** at 1621 Lehigh Street, Easton, PA. All active duty and honorably discharged Marines, FMF Corpsmen and FMF Chaplains welcome. Contact John Mitzak 908-235-7017 or email: vmitzak@gmail.com. Facebook: Marine Corps League Northampton County Detachment 298. Website:norcomcl.org

Weona Park Pool Pals March Meeting

The next meeting of the Weona Park Pool Pals will be held **Monday, March 6th, at 7:00PM** at the Pen Argyl Borough Hall, on Robinson Ave, Pen Argyl. The public is invited and encouraged to attend. FMI or to offer help with fundraising please call 610-863-6472.

Donations can be made on the website www.weonapool.wixsite.com/website or by mail. Donors are asked to make checks payable to: Pen Argyl Athletic and Park Association and mail to: Weona Park Pool Pals, P.O. Box 42, Pen Argyl, PA 18072. All donations are tax deductible.

Copies of the book on the history of Pen Argyl by Walt Cole are still available. Books can be purchased at Prints Galore 490 E. Main Street, Pen Argyl or by calling 610-863-6472

McMichaels UMC Donation Only Breakfast

A **Donation Only Breakfast** will be held on **March 11th**, **8:00AM to 10:00AM** at McMichael's Church. A full breakfast is served including beverages. Everyone is welcome. Take out is available. The church is located at 104 White Church Rd., (corner of 715 & White Church Rd.) Saylorsburg, PA

Christ Ev. Lutheran Church Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

Christ Ev. Lutheran Church will hold a Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner on **Saturday, March 11th, 3:30PM to 7:00PM.** Christ Ev. Lutheran Church is located at 703 S. Delaware Drive, Mt. Bethel, PA FMI call Chrissy at 610-588-0809

Local Students Help Market Slate Belt Restaurant Week

A collaboration between the Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce and the Career Institute of Technology has allowed students in the Marketing Program an exciting opportunity to put their graphic design skills to great use! The class designed the Restaurant Week posters, which the community can expect to see hanging on local bulletin boards starting this week. Marketing is just one of the many programs offered at CIT. This program prepares students for careers in marketing and retail management. Students learn the principles of entrepreneurial economics, basic sales skills, customer service, warehousing/ distribution, inventory, pricing, and the basics of marketing. When asked, "What is your favorite thing you have learned in the marketing class?" The students replied, "Better customer service, public speaking skills, communication, and how to express ideas or concepts we have in creative ways."

For more information on CIT programs offered, visit www.citvt.com or talk to the high school guidance office.

Pen Argyl sophomore Bryce Hendershot runs food blog @northamptoncountyeats and is excited to blog during Slate Belt Restaurant Week and help with promotional giveaways. Bryce started the blog in May 2020 when restaurants started to reopen during the pandemic. The idea derived from his combined interests in restaurants, food, and photography. Although shy in nature, Bryce has utilized this hobby to give him a voice and creative outlet while providing



Pen Argyl Student/ Food Blogger -Bryce Hendershot

positive advertising for restaurants, as he now has over by a solution of the solution of the

Organized by the Slate Belt Chamber, Restaurant Week is scheduled to run from March 5-11th with twelve participating restaurants: American Lobster, Café on Broadway, Scorecard Sports Bar & Grill, Good Azz Eats, Broadway Pub, 512 Deli, 5 Points Grill & Pub, Allegheny Creek Brewing Company, Rustica Artisan, Richmond Farm & Brewery, Port 2 Flavors, and Fuhrer's Tavern. Visit slatebeltchamber.org/restaurant-week-2023 for more details and menus!



CIT Marketing Students: Gabby Lovett, Nick Hernandez-Eduviges, Jack Caprez, Kai Hall, Yaniry Tavarez Tejada

Slate Belt Heritage Center Monthly Program Bangor's Annual Welsh Day Event

The Slate Belt Heritage Center will hold their monthly historic program on **Sunday March 12th, 2:00PM.** Speaker for the afternoon will be Mr. John Reinhart, President of the St. David's Welsh Society whose topic will be: "Bangor's Annual Welsh Day Event: Over Thirty Years of Celebrating Community".

Diverse American communities have thrived throughout history by celebrating that diversity and working toward beneficial projects and goals. For over thirty years,

Bangor's Welsh Day events drew thousands of visitors to the Slate Belt resulting in economic, cultural, and political gains for many in the region. Through pictures, artifacts and first-hand accounts, you will see just how influential these events were and how busy Labor Day weekends became in the Slate Belt.

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.





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Birch and Willow Hair and Skin Studio Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Photos by Lisa Newberry

On Saturday, February 25th, Birch and Willow Hair and Skin Studio held its Grand Opening and a Ribbon Cutting by the Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce.

Birch and Willow Hair and Skin Studio is located at 102 S. Broadway in Wind Gap.

The phone number is 610-881-6046.



Pictured: L-R Sarah Ortiz, Northampton County DCED, Lisa Amy, Rep. Ann Flood's office, Julia DiFrancesco, (Anne's daughter), Anthony DiFrancesco, (Anne's son), Anne DiFrancesco, (Owner), Tony DiFrancesco (Anne's husband), Madison DiFrancesco (Anne's daughter), Beth Duyssen, Slate Belt Chamber Executive Director, and Deb Pettinari, SBCC.

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Friday March 17th

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Check our Facebook page for prices, drink and dessert specials Hours: Monday - Saturday 11:00 AM -9:00 PM

www.thebeltandbeyond.com

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PIAC 44th Annual St Patrick's Dav Parade

Join the PIAC for our 44th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 19th. Step-off time will be 1:15PM from Stroudsburg High School on Main St. in Stroudsburg making its way to the Municipal Building on Crystal St. in East Stroudsburg. This year we will be honoring our own Ed O'Donnell as Grand Marshal! Ed is a WW II Marine Veteran having served in both the Atlantic and Pacific Theaters. At 98 years young he is still a very active member of the Pocono Irish American Club, always ready to lend a helping hand at our many events and fundraisers. If you are interested in your club, organization or business being in the parade please use the following link to fill out our application www.poconoirishamericanclub.com/ parade-participant-sign-up.html# All information and instructions can be found on the parade participants page.

Wildlife of the Minsi Lake Greenway By Photographer Jeff Kaboly Sponsored by Friends of Minsi Lake

Friends of Minsi Lake cordially invites the public to an exhibit of professional photographer Jeff Kaboly's stunning images of wildlife in the Minsi Lake Greenway at Bangor Area High School Performing Arts Theater from 5:00pm to 7:00pm on Sunday, March 12th. The theater is located next to the baseball field at 123 Five Points Richmond Road, Bangor, PA 18013.

Jeff is a professional photographer focusing on sports and wildlife photography for the past 30 years. Sixteen photographs of Jeff's choice will be on display in the theater lobby, while many more of his photos of birds and mammals of the Minsi Lake Greenway will be shown on continuous loop inside the theater. In addition to a silent auction of Jeff's photographs, dozens of his photos will be available for sale to benefit Friends of Minsi Lake during his exhibit.

The 1500-acre Minsi Lake Greenway includes Minsi Lake Park, Bear Swamp Park and Totts Gap Conservation Area, all of which are managed for public outdoor recreation by Northampton County Parks Department. Friends of Minsi Lake was established in 2017 to work with Northampton County Parks for the betterment of natural and recreational resources at Minsi Lake and throughout the Minsi Lake Greenway.

Complimentary refreshments will be served in the theater lobby and amazing views of Blue Mountain and Delaware Water Gap can be seen from the theater balcony. The photo exhibit is open to the public free-ofcharge.

Come spend a late winter evening with Friends of Minsi Lake at Bangor Area High School Performing Arts Theater. Kaboly and learn about current and future projects that the friends group and its partners are doing to improve outdoor recreation and conservation value in the Minsi Lake Greenway.

For more information about Friends of Minsi Lake, call 610-829-6404 or find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/MinsiLake





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Band of District 10 in Pennsylvania Presented by PMEA Submitted by Franine Martinho

After a beautiful concert by the Band of District 10 in Pennsylvania Presented by PMEA (Pennsylvania Music Educators Association) on February 10th, Brandon Martinho once again advanced to the next step. The Concert was composed of 144 Young Musicians from 40 schools in 7 Counties. Brandon, who was already gualified for the North East Orchestra of the Region, will now also be part of the Band of the Region, getting closer to his big goal representing Bangor Area High School in the State of Bands and Orchestra.

This time his friend, Jace Paynter, gualified and will be part of the Region Band and they will represent Bangor Area High School playing the same instrument, the tuba!

On Sunday February 12th, Brandon was also part of the SteelStacks High School Jazz Band Showcase featuring 21 bands and over 5 day events in February and March at the Musikfest Café in Bethlehem PA.

Together with students from Bangor Area High School the group put on an amazing show. Brandon didn't play his friend "Tuba" but he gave a charming performance playing his Double Bass and his Bass Guitar. Brandon said "It was a real rush and I was very tired. But it was so worth it.

I love music! This weekend was full of emotions. Once again I've moved on to the next step and this time I have my friend Jace Paynter with me. We'll be together at the next band concert. Thank you to everyone for your support!"

The Concert of the Northeast Orchestra of the Region and the Band of the Region will be held in March.



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Slater Family Network 16th Annual Silent Auction



Slater Family Network will hold its 16th annual Silent Auction on **Saturday, April 1st, 2023** at Five Points Elementary School, 363 5 Points Richmond Road, Bangor, PA. This year's theme is "April Fools."

Attendees will have the opportunity to browse and place tickets in desired baskets from **10:00AM to 12:00PM** Auction begins at **12:00PM** with over 100 baskets, gift cards and prizes up for bid! Food and beverage will also be available for purchase. All proceeds benefit local families in need.

Slater Family Network is a non-profit 501(C) (3) family center serving the residents of the Bangor Area School District. We provide resources, referrals, and programs to empower residents to meet their needs and goals. For more information or to make a donation please call the Slater Family Network office at 610-599-7019 or email Damourpa@bangorsd.org

West End Regional Dog Park

Saturday March 18th, 11:00AM to 1:00PM, David from University of Pets will be providing a free training session at the West End Regional Park- Dog Park. Be sure to bring your canine companion for some tips and tricks from the professional! Please note, dogs must be dog and human friendly! This event will be held at the West End Regional Dog Park located at 3551 Merwine Hilltop Road Saylorsburg, PA 18353

Ackermanville UMC Free Community Drive-Thru Meal

Ackermanville United Methodist Church free community drive-thru meal will be held **Sunday, March 19th, beginning at 3:00PM**. The church hosts a free monthly community meal every 3rd Sunday of the month. The church is located at 1410 Ackermanville Rd., Ackermanville, PA.

Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center March Community Programs

Fishing Equipment Available - Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm. Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth. New this year, we now loan fly fishing equipment! Borrow fly rods, spinning rods, fly boxes, 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.

Project FeederWatch Monitoring - Thursday, March 2 & Friday, March 3 at 8:30am to 3:30pm, Thursday, March 23 & Friday, March 24 at 8:30am to 3:30pm. You must have already participated in Birds and Bagels - Citizen Science and Monitor Training to register for this volunteer opportunity. Volunteer as a citizen scientist to observe and record bird observations at Jacobsburg's feeders. You can choose what times you would like to monitor between the hours of 8:30AM- 3:30PM, all day commitment is not required. Register to let us know what hours you are available to monitor.

Volunteer Event: Bogsucker Search, Invasive Species Removal, and Earth Day Prep - Saturday, March 11 at 4:00pm to 8:00pm. After lopping and chopping invasive species to prepare for our Earth Day tree planting event, we will celebrate our accomplishments with an evening hike to look for courting American Woodcocks. Registration is required.

Hike for Health - Wednesday, March 22 at 5:30pm to 7:00pm. Get moving after work with a brisk hike at Jacobsburg! These guided monthly hikes are 2 to 2.5 miles over uneven terrain. Dogs are welcome to hike on a leash. Meet at the Visitor Center flagpole at 400 Belfast Road. Registration is not required. Join the email reminder list by contacting us at 610-746-2801 or jacobsburgsp@pa.gov. Registration is not required.

Family Science Night - Tantalizing Timberdoodles - Friday, March 24 at 6:30am to 8:00pm. The 'sky dance' or courtship display of the American Woodcock is a spectacle which is known to take place at Jacobsburg each year. This program will cover some of the interesting biology of the American Woodcock followed by a quiet meander at sunset as we look and listen for these twirling courtship flights. Registration is required.

Trees in Early Spring - Saturday, March 25 at 3:00pm to 4:30pm

Join us to learn how to identify trees without their leaves. We'll use bark, buds, branches, and other clues to help us differentiate common species found growing in Pennsylvania. Please wear warm layers and comfortable walking shoes. Registration is required.

Celestial Wildlife - Saturday, March 25 at 7:30pm to 9:30pm. Did you know that the night sky is filled with all sorts of wildlife? Join us for this nighttime adventure as we use our imagination and search the sky for bears, lions, dogs, bulls and even dragons! Please dress warmly and wear sturdy shoes. Bring a blanket to sit on, a flashlight (with a red filter if available), snack, water, and binoculars if you have them. This program is best for families with children ages 8 years old and up. Please note that the park will not provide telescopes at this program. Registration is required. Registrants will be contacted with the meeting location prior to the event. **Weekly Weeders - Thursday, March 30 at 8:30am to 10:30am.** Interested in learning more about gardening with native plants? Volunteer to work alongside our education staff as they mulch, pull weeds, divide plants, and amend soil in the center's native plant garden. We provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Registration is required.

You can view and register for community programs online at https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search=jacobsburg. If you need accommodation to participate in a program please contact the park office at 610-746-2801 or jacobsburgsp@pa.gov. Interpreters for people who are deaf or hard of hearing are available for educational programs with at least five days notice.

Nominations for Northampton County Outstanding Senior Awards

Lamont McClure and the Northampton County Area Agency on Aging are seeking nominations for outstanding seniors. Nominees must be sixty-years-or-older, a resident of Northampton County, and have a passion for helping others through personal action, inspiration, public service, sports, educational instruction or humanitarian efforts.

Nominations may be made in an essay of 250 words or less with a description of why the nominee deserves to be recognized and a listing of their volunteer activities. Forms for nominations can be obtained from Melissa Titus at 610-829-4509 or mtitus@northamptoncounty.org For each nominee, please return one entry form along with the essay to:

Melissa Titus Area Agency on Aging 2801 Emrick Blvd. Bethlehem, PA 18020

Nominations must be postmarked by **March 22, 2023.** The selected individuals will be announced in April.

Support Group for Caregivers of Dementia Patients

Lamont McClure announces that the Division of Area Agency on Aging will host a Dementia Support Group at the Dept. of Human Services building at 2801 Emrick Blvd. Bethlehem, PA on the **third Thursday of each month from 5:30PM – 6:30PM**.

This program is specifically designed for families and caregivers of dementia patients. Participants will receive practical caregiving information, get mutual support, learn about local community resources and find solutions to challenging behaviors.

"Being a caregiver to a loved one with dementia can be incredibly stressful," says Lamont McClure. "It's important that we make resources and support available so caregivers can maintain their own mental and physical health as they care for someone else."

Anyone interested in attending and would like more information can contact Ann Stager at 610-829-4540 or astager@northamptoncounty.org

In the event of inclement weather, please check the Northampton County Facebook page or call 610-829-4540 to see if the group is cancelled.

Christian Support Group GriefShare

GriefShare support group for those who have lost a loved one. New program (13 week session) those interested can join any time. Mt Bethel Church, 1275 Belvidere Corner Road, Mt Bethel, PA. FMI call or text Diane 973-202-3317.

Stroudsburg Wesleyan Church Suicide Survivors Support Group

Stroudsburg Wesleyan Church is continuing the journey with the Suicide Prevention Coalition of Monroe County as we come together to proved a Suicide Survivors Support Group. We will meet every **Tuesday, 6:30PM** at Stroudsburg Wesleyan Church, located at 915 North 5th Street Stroudsburg, PA. Meeting is held in the Annex Building. 570-421-0750

Northampton County Area Agency on Aging



Senior Community Centers 11 Senior Community Centers throughout Northampton County

Local Senior Centers are open daily Monday through Friday serving congregate meals to clients over the age of 60.

Each location has its own hours and events scheduled that are unique to their surrounding area, its needs and local interests.

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For specific location's menus and calendars of events go to: www.northamptoncounty.org/HS/AGING/Pages/Senior-Centers.aspx For more information contact the Area Agency on Aging at 610-829-4540

Area Food Banks & Food Pantries Portland Upper Mt Bethel Food Bank P.U.M.P.

The Portland Upper Mt Bethel Food Pantry P.U.M.P. is open **Mondays 8:30AM to 11:30AM**. P.U.M.P. is located at 111 State Street in Portland. The phone number is 570-897-5847.

Mission of Love Food Bank

Every Tuesday 9:00AM to 12:00PM, 555 North Main Street, Bangor, PA. Questions contact Pastor Frank Pons (570) 807-7794.

Helping Hands Food Pantry at Stroudsburg Wesleyan Church

1st and 3rd Friday of Each Month at 5:00PM. Parking lot will open at 4:30PM. Drive Thru Pickup New Entrance at Avenue B. For questions or information visit www.stroudsburgwesleyan.org Stroudsburg Wesleyan Church, 915 North 5th Street Stroudsburg, PA.

West End Food Pantry

Distributions at the West End Food Pantry **1st and 3rd Saturday of every month 9:00 AM-12:00 PM**. West End Food Pantry is located at 516 Kunkletown Road Kunkletown, PA.

www.westendpantry.com for more information

www.thebeltandbeyond.com

12 HAPPENINGS



Bangor Area High School MiniThon Bangor Area High School's LEO Club, under the direction of LEO Club advisor Mr Josh Thomas, held its second annual miniTHON on Saturday, February 25th. The total raised this year was \$11,911.31. Proceeds from the event benefit pediatric cancer patients, families, and research. Photos by Lisa Newberry See more photos on our Facebook Page



IN STREET









Faith Christian School Open House

Faith Christian School in Roseto held their annual Open House on Thursday, February 23rd. Faith ChristianSchool offers full day kindergarten through 12th grade.Photos by Lisa NewberrySee more photos on our Facebook Page



Went End Winter Fair

The West End Winter Fair was held on Saturday February 25 and Sunday February 26 in Gilbert, PA. The winter fair had something for everyone, live entertainment, wagon rides, fire pits, food, and so much more! All who attended had a great time! Photos by Lisa Newberry See more photos on our Facebook page



14 COMMUNITY NEWS

New in the Bangor Public Library

Adult Fiction - The Last Tale of the Flower Bride by Roshani Chokshi; Essex Dogs by Dan Jones; Stone Cold Fox by Rachel Koller; Hostage by Clare Mackintosh; All the Dangerous Things by Stacy Willingham.



Adult Non Fiction - African Founders: How Enslaved People Expanded American Ideals by David Hackett Fischer; Master Slave, Husband Wife: an Epic Journey from Slavery to Freedom by Ilyon Woo.

Easy Fiction - Happy Valentine's Day, Mouse by Laura Numeroff; Turkeys Eggcellent Easter by Wendi Silvano; Find Your Brave by Apryl Stott.

DVDs - The Fabelmans

The Bangor Public Library is located at 39 S. Main Street, Bangor, PA. The phone number is 610-588 4136. Hours: Mon., 1-8pm; Tues., 10am-8pm; Wed., 1-8pm; Thurs., 10am-8pm; Fri., 1-5pm; Sat., 10am-4pm; Sun. Closed.

Eastern Monroe Public Library News

Free Movie - Words & Film Sunday Matinee "She Said" Sunday, March 5th, 2:00PM.

Computer Class – Internet Safety & Safe Searching -March 6th, 10:00AM - 11:00AM

Color Yourself Calm – Adult Coloring Program-**Tuesday, March 7th, 2:00PM - 4:00PM.** Join us **every Tuesday from 2:00PM-4:00PM** in the downstairs BoardRoom of the Hughes Branch for our Color Yourself Calm Adult Coloring Program. Choose a page from a variety of coloring books and sit down and color! All materials provided by the library.

Hughes United Book Club Tuesday, March 7th, 6:30PM - 8:00PM. This month's selection of the Hughes United Book Club (HUB) is Marie Benedict's The Only Woman in the Room.

If you are not currently a member of the club but would like to join us, call 570-421-0800 x. 311 and ask for Jason or Cheryl, or send an email to jvigorito@monroepl. org. New members are always welcome - check out our schedule monroepl.org/?page_id=14353

Keep up to date with events and happenings visit the library's website monroepl.org

The library is located at 1002 N. 9th St., Stroudsburg, PA.

Leprechaun Shenanigan by Robert L. Martin

Mr. Leprechaun, what's on your zany mind? Did you hide your gold for me to find? Did you put it at the rainbow's end again? Do you think I would look to find it then? Do you think I'd fall for your crazy scheme when I know it's a part of your daily routine?

I know all about your foolish chenanigans. There's no gold and no rainbow ends.

Western Pocono Community Library

Join us Thursday Nights in March! Times are: Elementary Explorers Students K-2 grade **Thursdays at 5:30PM** Tween Time Students 3rd-5th grade **6:15PM**

3/9 Learn to Draw Animals 3/16 Leprechaun Stem 3/23 6PM Archeology

3/30 5:30PM Movie Night! Meet The Robinsons Join us Thursday, March 2nd at 9:30AM or 1:00PM and celebrate Read Across America with WPCL! Special storytimes at 9:30AM and 1PM with guest community readers, Seuss inspired snacks and craft. Enjoy an indoor story walk and have fun completing a book scavenger hunt! Costumes encouraged!

Mother Goose Toddler Time **Tuesdays at 9:20AM** ages 2-3. Join Miss Jessie for nursery rhymes and stories.

Now through **March 10th**, sign-up your child to receive a FREE TREE through WPCL's partnership with Neighborhood Forest! Trees will be available for pick up at WPCL around Earth Day. Other products purchased will be fulfilled by Neighborhood Forest. Register using the link https://www.neighborhoodforest.org/parent-registration/... Additional purchases are available to help fund more free trees for kids!

WPCL will be hosting a paint party fundraiser **Saturday**, **March 18th, 6:00PM-8:00PM**. Tickets on sale now! The event will be held at the WPCL Track Area. Minimum age is 16. Snacks and NA beverages are welcome.

The library is located at located at 131 Pilgrim Way Brodheadsville, PA 18322

Blue Mountain Community Library

Do you like to cook or collect cookbooks? If so, stop into the Blue Mt. Community Library, located at 216 S. Robinson Ave. Pen Argyl and browse through the Book



Pen Argyl and browse through the Book Nook. Along with many adult and children's gently used books and puzzles, there is a large collection of cookbooks available to purchase.

Membership is not needed to purchase items in the Book Nook, but is free to all residents of the Pen Argyl Area School District. Nonresidents may join for a small yearly fee. The library also has Pen Argyl yearbooks available to purchase. Call 610-863-3029 or visit our Facebook page or website at www.bmcl.org for information about the library.

NEW Releases

Adult Fiction: Desert Star, Michael Connelly; Be Your Everything, Catherine Bybee; Suspect, Scott Turow; The Magic of Lemon Drop Pie, Rachel Linden; A Wish for Winter, Viola Shipman; The Last Party, Clare Mackintosh; The Rewind, Allison W. Scotch; Code 6, James Grippando; Reckoning, Catherine Coulter.

Large Print: Picnic in Someday Valley, Jodi Thomas. Adult Non-fiction: Out of the Pocket, Kirk Herbstreit; Walking Miracle, Ryan Shazier; The Watermen, Michael Loynd.

The Blue Mountain Community Library is located at 216 S. Robinson Ave. in Pen Argyl. Hours are Mon.-Sat, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM, and Mon. and Thurs., 6:00-8:00 PM. Visit our website www.bmcl.org.

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Doors Open 4:00 PM Dinner 6:00 PM Catered by Hillside Smokehouse Tickets \$50.00 Per Person Includes: Dinner, Beer, Soda, and Drawing of 30 prizes valued at over \$6,000

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