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First Day of Spring - Tuesday, March 20

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Friday, March 16th

Email your news and events to thebeltandbeyond@gmail.com



**MARCH IS COLORECTAL CANCER
AWARENESS MONTH**

MARCH NATIONAL DAYS

MARCH 8-INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

MARCH 10-NATIONAL PACK YOUR LUNCH DAY

MARCH 11-DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

MARCH 12-NATIONAL NAPPING DAY

MARCH 13-NATIONAL GOOD SAMARITAN DAY

MARCH 14-NATIONAL POTATO CHIP DAY

MARCH 17-NATIONAL CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DAY

MARCH 19-NATIONAL CERTIFIED NURSES DA

MARCH 20-FIRST DAY OF SPRING

MARCH 21-NATIONAL COMMON COURTESY DAY

MARCH 22-NATIONAL GOOF OFF DAY

MARCH HOLIDAYS

MARCH 17-ST PATRICK'S DAY MARCH 30-GOOD FRIDAY

WEEKEND HAPPENINGS

Salem UCC-Baskets and Bingo

Salem UCC, 2218 Community Drive (Rt. 946), Bath PA will host a Basket Raffle on **Friday, March 9th 5:00pm-8:00pm, Saturday, March 10th, 9:00am-2:00pm.** Cash BINGO **Saturday, March 10th. Doors open 5:00pm, BINGO begins at 6:30pm.**

NCC to Hold Craft Fair

Northampton Community College (NCC) will hold an Alumni Association Spring Craft Fair on **Saturday, March 10th, from 9:00am-3:00pm** at the Arthur L. Scott Spartan Center on the College's Bethlehem Campus, 3835 Green Pond Road. One hundred of the region's finest crafters will offer for sale unique and handcrafted treasures, including jewelry and accessories, clothing, foods, floral arrangements, and much more. For more information, call 610-861-5088 or email alumni@northampton.edu.

Slater Family Network's 12th Annual Silent Auction

The Slater Family Network's 12th Annual Silent Auction will be held **Saturday, March 10th** at Five Points Elementary School on the Bangor Area School District Campus. Event begins at **10:00am** for browsing, tickets will be pulled at 12noon. Food and beverage will be available for purchase. Proceeds from this event will benefit local families in need. Please join us for some family fun! Please call the Slater Family Network office at 610-599-7019 for information.

United Presbyterian Church Roast Beef Dinner

The United Presbyterian Church, Belvidere will hold a Roast Beef Dinner on **Saturday, March 10th, 4:30pm-7:00pm.** Call for tickets 908-475-2771 or 908-619-1351 by **March 9th, 12 noon**

Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner & PASTIE Sale

A Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner will be held at Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, 703 South Delaware Drive Mt. Bethel, PA. on **Saturday, March 10th 3:00pm-7:00pm;** A Pastie sale will be held **Tuesday, March 20th** to place your order or for more information call Chrissy 610-588-0809.

St Peter's Lutheran Church Scholarship Committee Presents Seamus Kennedy

On **Saturday, March 10th 3:00pm-7:00pm.** the St. Peter's Lutheran Church Scholarship Committee is proud to present an evening of outstanding music and comedy with Seamus Kennedy at the Blue Valley Farm Show, 707 American Bangor Road, Bangor, PA. For tickets call Jackie Brinker 610-588-2101 or www.ticketor.com/stpetersplainfield

Slate Belt Rotary Club 6th Annual Mulligan Bowling Tournament

The Slate Belt Rotary Club will host their 6th Annual Mulligan Bowling Tournament on **Sunday March 11th, 1:00pm-5:00pm** at Blue Valley Lanes, Res 512 & 33, Wind Gap, PA. For more information or to sign up contact Blue Valley Lanes 610-863-4621.

Slate Belt Heritage Center Monthly Presentation

The Slate Belt Heritage Center monthly presentation will be held on **Sunday, March 11th, 2:00pm** - "The Life of Blaine Reimel" - James Paynter relates the life of the Slate Belt's first fatality in World War II. Slate Belt Heritage Center is located at 30 N. 1st Street, Bangor, PA.

Blue Valley Farm Show

All You Can Eat Breakfast
Sunday, March 18th 7:30am-12:30pm

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American Legion Riders Post 927 Meeting

The American Legion Riders have their monthly meeting on **Sunday, March 11th at 10:30am** at the American Legion Post 927, Route 209 and Fairgrounds Road, Gilbert. The American Legion Riders are well known for their charitable work, which has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for local children's hospitals, schools, veterans homes, severely wounded service members and scholarships, and enjoy riding. For more information, contact President Everett Shaver, 570-977-8208 or everett.shaver@yahoo.com. Visit www.ampost927.org and Join us on Facebook



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The Cat in the Hat is Coming to the Bangor Public Library

The Cat in the Hat will visit at preschool story hour at the Bangor Public Library on **Tuesday, March 13, from 10:00am-11:00am**. There will be stories, a craft, and lots of fun and silliness. All children are welcome. You won't want to miss it! The Bangor Public Library is located at 39 S Main St, Bangor, PA.

Monroe County Garden Club

The Monroe County Garden Club will meet on **Wednesday March 14th, at 11:30 am** at the Eastern Monroe Public Library, Rt 611/N.9th Street, Stroudsburg. The Program will be Tea, aka "Camelia Sinensis", presented by Maureen Aronson. The Design Theme: "The Enchanted Garden", a whimsical spring dish design, accessories and underlay optional. Horticulture Theme: Flowering forced branch, Meeting will begin at 11:30, followed by lunch, followed by program. Everyone interested in gardening is welcome to attend. For more information, call President Robin Teets (570) 350-8069 or rteets@ptd.net. Visit our website, <http://www.monroecountygardenclub.com/> and Join us on Facebook. www.Facebook.com/

Bangor Area High School Music in Our Schools Concert

Thursday, March 15th, 7:00pm. Featuring instrumental and choral ensembles from all levels. M. Craig Paine Performing Arts Theater For more information visit: bahsbands.weebly.com

Trinity Lutheran Church Annual Outdoor Sportsmen's Dinner

Trinity Lutheran Church, 404 Broadway, Bangor, will host the 13th Annual Outdoor Sportsmen Dinner on **Saturday, March 17th 6:00pm-8:30pm** in the fellowship hall. Traditional Menu plus specialty prepared wild game dishes will be served. For tickets call Tom Marino 610-504-7886 or contact the church office 610-588-2023.

All You Can Eat St. Patty's Pancake Breakfast

An All You Can Eat St. Patty's Pancake & Waffle breakfast will be held on **Saturday, March 17th, 8:00am-10:30am**, sponsored by Salem United Methodist Church, 1067 Blue Mountain Drive, Danielsville, PA. For more info call Dave 570 620 7985

Humble Hearts of Hope, Inc to Host Designer Purse Blingo

Humble Hearts of Hope, Inc. is sponsoring a Designer Purse Blingo **Sunday, March 18, 12:00pm-4:00pm**. Plainfield Township Vol. Fire Co. 6480 Sullivan Trail, Wind Gap, PA.

**The Upper Mount Bethel Township
 EASTER EGG HUNT**
 WILL BE HELD ON
SATURDAY, MARCH 31ST 11:00 A.M.
**AT THE UPPER MT. BETHEL FIRE HOUSE
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**Bangor Area School District to offer
 Gearing Up for Kindergarten**

The Bangor Area School District will be offering the spring Gearing Up for Kindergarten program beginning this March. The program will be held at the Washington Elementary School on **Tuesdays** and the Five Points Elementary School on **Wednesdays from March 6th to March 28th from 6:00pm to 7:30pm**.

The Gearing Up for Kindergarten program is intended for families with a child who will be entering kindergarten in August 2018. The classes run for an hour and a half each night This program offers parent/child activities, as well as separate child preparation and parent education classes. Parent topics include: Learning Styles/School Readiness, Temperament, Early Literacy/Math, Social/Emotional Development, Nurturance and Prevention Tools, Nutrition, Safety, and Parent's Role in School Success. Preschool topics include Math activities, Science exploration, Motor development, Sensory development and Reading/Literacy.

The program is free of charge, with child care being offered for siblings. Registration forms are available on the District's website, at the elementary schools or by calling Rae Temples at 610-599-7015, ext. 75103#.

Build a 3D Printer at NCC's Fab Lab

Northampton Community College's Fab Lab is offering a new class – Build a 3D Printer. Mike Gorski, owner of Filament innovations, will teach you how to build the printer and how to calibrate it to keep it working properly. The 3D printer you build will have the basic functionality of a fused-deposition printer. All materials are included in the price of the class. Class starts on **March 13th at 6:30pm** in the Fab Lab at the Fowler Family Southside Center in Bethlehem. To learn more, check pricing and register go to www.northampton.edu/fablab and click the 'Browse Catalogs' button. Space is limited, register early!

Corned Beef & Cabbage 5K

March 17th for the 2018 Emmaus Run Inn – 3.4 Mile Corn Beef and Cabbage Run at Camp Olympic, 3120 S. Cedar Crest Blvd Emmaus, Pa 18049. The 5K setting at Camp Olympics makes this event a true traditional Irish Run. The entire course is on grass and will challenge all levels. For info or to register <https://runsignup.com/Race/PA/Emmaus/CornBeefandCabbage5KRun>

Roseto Helping Hands Bring A Friend Bingo

Sunday, March 18th, Bingo starts at **1:00pm** Roseto Legion, 143 Garibaldi Ave, Roseto, PA

41st Annual PIAC St. Patrick's Day Parade

Stroudsburg/East Stroudsburg, **Sunday, March 18th Parade 1:30pm** Parade starts at Stroudsburg High School travels down Main Street in to East Stroudsburg and end's at The municipal building in East Stroudsburg. Those interested in being in the parade can go to the website: www.poconoirishamericanclub.com and download the parade forms.

Luck Of The Irish Parade Day Pancake Breakfast

Hosted by Girls on the Run Pocono. **Sunday, March 18th at 8:00am-1:00pm**. Stroudsburg High School, 1100 W Main St, Stroudsburg, PA.

Slate Belt Rotary Club Easter Bunny Breakfast

The Slate Belt Rotary Club will host their 7th Annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on **March 24th, 9:00am-11:00am** at the Scorecard 130 N Broadway, Wind Gap, PA. All children 9 and under eat FREE. Proceeds for this event benefit the Community Garden of the Slate Belt.

BHS Drama Dept to Host "Shuffle Off to Breakfast"

The Bangor High School Drama Department will host the fifth annual pancake breakfast with the cast of "42nd Street" at the Bangor Area Middle School. **Saturday March 24th, 8:00am-11:00am**. Tickets for the "Shuffle off to Breakfast" pancake breakfast can be purchased at the door, children 2 and under are free. Please call Sue Bina, 610-588-3041, with any questions.

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

The Mt. Bethel Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary has rescheduled their March Monthly Soup Nite due to the recent power outages and storms. Soup Nite will be held on **Thursday, March 29th, from 3:00pm-7:00pm** 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. For more information contact Diane DeMarzo at 973-202-3317

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

The Washington Township Volunteer Fire Co., Ladies Auxiliary will be holding their annual Easter Bake sale on **March 31st from 9:00am to 11:00am** at the Easter Egg Hunt held at the Recreation fields located on Rte. 191 Bangor, PA.

Bangor Area Middle School PTSO to Host Harlem Wizards Basketball Game

The Bangor Area Middle School PTSO (Parent, Teacher, Student, Organization) is hosting its 1st Annual Harlem Wizards Basketball Game on **Saturday, April 7th**. While the PTSO is fairly new, we are running this fundraiser in hopes that we can raise enough money to assist the school with future purchases that are not in their budget such as: new library books, school supplies and equipment, funding field trips and assemblies, as well as assist with purchases for the school dances throughout the year. We wanted to take a new approach to fundraising and offer a family friendly event that would bring the community together for a great cause and promote wellness at the same time. We will have our own team consisting of teachers and staff from each school in the district as well as some High School players. Our team will be playing against the Harlem Wizards. To purchase tickets online you can go to: <https://www.harlemwizards.com/schedule-tickets/> Find the April calendar and click on April 7th, Bangor, PA. Any businesses interested in being a sponsor for this event can contact Debbie Smith, 610-751-7692 or Kim Gambale, 484-241-0441 or email: bamsptso@gmail.com

NCC Offers Free Luthier Information Session

Learn more about the art of guitar building and luthier certification during a free information session at Northampton Community College's Fab Lab. Choose from four session dates offered on **April 4th, May 2nd all at 6:00pm** on the Fowler Southside Center in Bethlehem, PA. Come hear about the benefits of a certification that includes old world craftsmanship and modern manufacturing. The stringed instrument industry is expanding, and there is a need for technically skilled and motivated individuals to grow with this industry. During the two hour free session, Jeffrey Boerner, Fab Lab Director and Luthier, will discuss the certification program in detail, show you the guitars you will build, give you a tour of the Fab Lab and review the cost associated with the certification.

The Fab Lab is located on the 3rd floor of the Fowler Family Southside Center. The Lab offers resources ranging from metalworking, woodshop, 3D printing, laser cutting, audio engineering, guitar-making, robotics and more. NCC's Fab Lab instructors are technical experts, business savvy individuals and adjunct faculty who lead courses and events to expand the creative process in projects and ventures that students and community members want to pursue.

To enroll, please visit the course catalog at www.northampton.edu/fablab or call 610-332-8665.

American Legion Riders Chapter 927 Blessing of the Bikes

Bike Blessing open to the public, **Sunday, April 8 at 12:00pm** Service performed by Bishop James Mills. American Legion Post 927 opens at **10:30am**, kitchen opens at **10:30am**. Located at the corner of Rt 209 and Fairgrounds Rd, Gilbert PA 18331.

Slate Belt Heritage Center Calendar of Events for 2018

Thursday, April 12th, 7:00pm - "Genealogy Tricks, Traps, Trials, Tribulations and Triumphs"

Thursday, May 10th, 7:00pm - "Memories of the Slate Belt" presented by former Bangor resident and graduate of the class of 1964, David Blau.

Thursday, June 21st, 7:00pm - "Annual Preservation Awards".

Thursday, July 12th, 7:00pm - "Restoration of the Slate Hoists" - Mike Piersa will conduct an outdoor presentation of the manufacturing and operation of the restored Flory slate hoists which now reside in Bethel Park.

Thursday, August 9th, 7:00pm - "One Room Schoolhouses" - Walter Emery will be showing pictures of all the area old school houses.

Thursday, September 13th, 7:00pm - "Anthracite Coal Trains in the Slate Belt" - Craig Ealey, train historian, will do a program in honor of the Anthracite Coal 250th Anniversary.

Thursday, October 11, 7:00pm - "Haunted Heritage Program".

Thursday, November 8, 7:00pm - "World War I Veterans" - presented by William Casamassima.

Sunday, December 9, 2:00pm - "The Great Slate Belt Trivia Contest" - MC Marc Blau hosts the trivia game for teams of four. Make your own team or just show up and join in the fun. Prizes for the winners.

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

Bangor Area High School Spring Musical

The BHS Spring Musical "42nd Street" will be held in the M. Craig Paine Performing Arts Theater at Bangor Area High School, **7:30pm Friday and Saturday, April 13, 14 and Saturday and Sunday April 14, 15 at 2:00pm**.

Jacobsburg Grounds Clean-Up

The Annual Spring Grounds Clean-Up at Jacobsburg Historical Society will be held **Saturday, April 21st 8:00am-12:00 pm**. Refreshments, great Earth Day Community Service Project! All volunteers are greatly appreciated!

WM Grand Central Environmental Education Center Earth Day Celebration

The Annual Earth Day Celebration hosted by Waste Management's Grand Central Environmental Education Center will be held **Sunday, April 22 at 11:00am-2:00pm** at Waste Management's Grand Central Environmental Education Center 891 Grand Central Road, Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania. The event will include presentations by Bear Mountain Butterflies and the P.T. Reptiles!! (YES REPTILES THIS YEAR!! YAY!) They will also be recognizing some of the great Scouts that have achieved Eagle Status for the projects completed at the Education Center. Activities for the kids, composting information and other great organizations will be here!

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

The Ladies Auxiliary of Washington Township Volunteer Fire Co., will hold their annual Spring Fling Cash Bingo on **May 6th** at The Washington (920 Washington Blvd., Bangor, PA). **Doors open at 11am, Bingo starts at 12:30pm**. The kitchen will be open. For more information or tickets call Shirley 484-541-4659, Ruth 610-588-7402, Sandy 610-462-5611 or Donna 484-298-0192.



**Blue Valley
Farmers Market**

**Is seeking Farmers/Vendors
for the 2018 Season
Every Sunday
May 6 - October 28 (26 weeks)**

**Location:
Blue Valley Farm Show Complex
707 American Bangor Road
Bangor PA 18013**

**For vendor application/questions please call
David Kromer 610-258-5050 or 484-425-1585
or email: tkromer62@gmail.com**

Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce Announces Applications for Scholarship Achievement Award 2018

The Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce applications for Scholarship Achievement Award 2018 are available March 1st at the guidance departments of Bangor High School, Pen Argyl High School, Faith Christian & Career Institute of Technology.

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

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

Please note: A separate award, The Frederick R. Curcio, Jr. Scholarship Award, may also be applied for at this time. To qualify a senior must be either registered at Lincoln Technical Institute or majoring in computer science.

Applications must be received by **April 15th**. To honor the recipients, parents and friends, a Scholarship Awards Dinner is planned for **May 17th** at Tuscarora Inn. For more information contact the guidance department or the chamber office at 610.588.1000.

Friends of the Bangor Public Library

If you would like to become involved in a community group and make new friends please consider joining the Friends of the Bangor Public Library. The group conducts activities throughout the year to financially benefit and promote literacy for the Bangor Library. Some of their projects are: Two "Brunch w/the Author" presentations, a "Spring Book Sale" and a book sale at the "Blue Valley Farm Show". This past year a "Wine Tasting Party" and "Breakfast w/Santa" and a fundraiser at the "Broadway Pub", a "Bake Sale" and the famous "Duck Race" were also held. The Friends meet the 4th Thursday of each month in the upstairs room of the library. The Friends also support the "Children's Reading Hour", and decorate the library for the holidays. For additional information please contact: Karen Brewer at 484-894-5661.

Blue Valley Farm Show Scholarship Applications Available

The Blue Valley Farm Show has available to any student who is or has been a member of Northampton County 4-H clubs, two \$500.00 scholarships for the 2018-2019 school year.

Applications must be returned by **March 31, 2018**. The scholarships will be presented to the winners during the annual Blue Valley Farm Show in August. For more information contact Audrey Koehler at 610-498-3389.

Slater Family Network Announce Scholarships

Slater Family Network is sponsoring a \$2000.00 scholarship for a 2018 Bangor High School graduate. The applications are now available on the school district website under the Slater Family Network tab, in the HS Guidance Office or the SFN office behind the DeFranco School. Completed applications are due at SFN on **April 27th**.

The family of Denny Strouse is sponsoring a \$1000.00 scholarship through Slater Family Network for a 2018 Bangor High School graduate. The applications are now available on the school district website under the Slater Family Network tab, in the HS Guidance Office or the SFN office behind the DeFranco School. Completed applications are due at SFN on **April 27th**. Call the SFN office with any questions at 610-599-7019.

Bangor Area School District Wellness Committee

The Bangor Area School District Wellness Committee wants to extend an invitation to the families in our school community to participate in the following healthy activities throughout the school year. These are programs that the faculty eagerly awaits and competes in each year.

10,000 Steps: April 2, 2018- May 2, 2018

This is not a team walk rather it is an individual walking program where you find the average of your daily steps and set a personal goal to increase the steps each day. Strive to achieve 10,000 steps a day! To find the average; record your steps for any 3 days and divide the total by 3 and that will give you an average of steps walked per day). I'm sure you can find a way to compete among family members, friend groups, or with neighbors. Be creative in the rewards or prizes!

Look for more information on the Bangor Area School District web page under the wellness link or email us at wellness@bangorsd.org.

Emrick Announces March Satellite Office Hours

State Rep. Joe Emrick (R-Nazareth) invites residents of the 137th Legislative District to take advantage of satellite office hours he will be hosting in Forks Township during the month of March.

"Not everyone can easily reach my district offices in Bangor or Nazareth, especially when winter weather causes travel problems," Emrick said. "We offer this service on the first and third Thursday of each month as a way of bringing state government closer to you."

A member of Emrick's district office staff will be at the Forks Township Community Center on Thursday, March 1, and Thursday, March 8, from 9 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m. The community center is located at 500 Zucksville Road.

"This is a great opportunity to get answers to your state government questions and further information about programs such as the state's Property Tax/Rent Rebate program," added Emrick.

Questions about this or any legislative issue should be directed to Emrick's district office at (610) 746-5090 or (610) 588-8011.



Scam Alert For Nazareth Residents

If you live in Nazareth, a scam involving mailing your local tax bill is making the rounds. Please note the address for the borough taxes has NOT changed.

Do not send your tax payments to any other address other than your mortgage company or the tax office at 132 S. Main St., Nazareth PA 18064.

Build and Fly Fixed Winged Unmanned Aircraft

Come learn how to build a small fixed winged unmanned aircraft at Northampton Community College! The course uses ready to build kits for fixed wings. Laser cutting, engraving and 3D printing will be used to make your aircraft unique to your style. Once the aircraft is complete, the class will learn how to set up their flight controller. If time permits, the class will fly the aircraft at a local field.

Classes will be held on **March 10 and 17 from 9:00am to 1:00pm** in the Fab Lab at the Fowler Family Southside Center in Bethlehem. To learn more, check pricing and register go to www.northampton.edu/fablab and click the 'Browse Catalogs' button. Space is limited, register early!



Mini-Golf Fore

The Nazareth Library

The Nazareth Library in partnership with the Nazareth Rotary Club will host 18 holes of miniature golf throughout the library. All proceeds

from this event support improving the library's technology offerings. "Mini-Golf FORE the Nazareth Library is a fun way to show your support for the Nazareth Library. The mini golf course is exciting and spotlights the support of local area businesses and organizations through unique green designs," says Holly Bennett, Library Director.

Golfers are invited to play this unique course on **Sunday, March 18th between 12pm and 4pm** at the Nazareth Library. The library is located at 295 East Center Street, Nazareth, PA 18064. Tickets are on sale now at the Nazareth Library. Children must be 4 years old to golf.

All proceeds from the Mini-Golf FORE the Nazareth Library will assist to offer classes in technology for senior citizens, online job searching capabilities for patrons, programming for teens, and coding classes for all ages. The library also plans to provide science exploration via a 3-D printer, new interactive computers for the children's department, and assistive technology to teach new language skills.

Senator Mario Scavello Opening Upper Mount Bethel Office

State Senator Mario Scavello (Northampton & Monroe Counties) announced the opening of a new satellite office at the Upper Mount Bethel Township Municipal Building (347 Ye Olde Highway, Mount Bethel).

The satellite office will be open **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** in the township building. A staff person can be reached directly at 570-897-5199.

This office will service constituents throughout the areas of Portland, Mount Bethel, Bangor and Delaware Water Gap. Assistance will be provided for many state-related issues including transportation, tax rebates, state benefits and more.

Senator Scavello's main Northampton County district office is located at 2 N. Robinson Avenue in Pen Argyl and is open **Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.** The office can be reached at 610-863-1200.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact mscavello@pasen.gov or visit www.senatorscavello.com.

Slate Belt Heritage Center

The Slate Belt Heritage Center is seeking any individuals who would like to share, in the form of a presentation, any pertinent historical information about the Slate Belt. This could be in the form of a power point or just a discussion. Please call Karen Brewer @ 484-894-5661 if you are interested.

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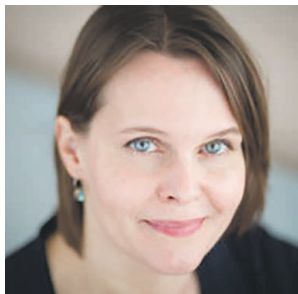
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BMCL Lunch with an Author

The Blue Mountain Community Library will hold an "Lunch with an Author" event on **Thursday, April 26th**, at Grace United Methodist Church, 404 E. Mountain Ave., Pen Argyl, PA. The church is handicapped accessible with ample parking. (Enter from the lower parking lot). Local author, Kate Brandes, will discuss her first novel, "The Promise

of Pierson Orchard," a beautifully crafted story about two brothers from the rural community of Minden, PA, who loved the same girl. When life brings them back together after 20 years, old wounds are re-opened and an intense division develops between them. Brandes, who lives in a small town along the Delaware River with her husband, David, and their two sons, is an environmental scientist, a watercolor painter and a writer of women's fiction with an environmental bent. She will have a question and answer session about her book and a book signing. Copies will be available to purchase.

Luncheon will be at **12:00 pm (Doors open at 11:30 am)** and will consist of soup, sandwich, chips, desserts and beverages. Tickets **MUST** be purchased in advance of the event. There will be no tickets available at the door. Tickets are limited and may be purchased at the library, located at 216 S. Robinson Ave., Pen Argyl, PA through **April 19, 2018.** Hours are M-Sa, 10:00 am to Noon, and M-Th, 6:00-8:00 pm. Call Lisa at 610-863-3029 for information or visit www.bmcl.org. Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/bmclpenargyl.

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Girl Scout Troop 8420 Host Women in Leadership Panel Discussion

Photo by Kerri Sora

Girl Scouts from Troop 8420 recently participated in the Girl Scout Junior Journey in a Day program, otherwise known as the aMUSE award at the Grand Central Landfill on February 24. The three-part badge award provides the girls with the opportunity to discover themselves, connect with others and take action to improve their communities and the world.

Topics and activities focused on the roles girls play in the world and the leadership skills that they use. The troop discussed self-images and stereotypes and how each can play a significant role in their future careers.

"Now more than ever, I think it is important for young girls to know they can do and be anything to make the world a better place," said Troop 8420 Leader, Kerri Sora.

After a day of creating and learning, a panel of four local women leaders were asked to join a panel discussion. Attorney Kristin Harvey of Easton, Wind Gap Middle School's Assistant Principal, Sherri McNamara, Jupiter Crush's Jessica Jones and Grand Central Landfill's Adrienne Fors all fielded questions from the inquisitive scouts on topics that included bullying, stereotypes and what it is like to be a woman in the workforce today.

"We love that the girls were given the opportunity to interview such strong, successful women with very different occupations and that each woman shared some of their struggles as well as their successes. These women are true role models for young girls," stated Troop 8420 Co-Leader, Suzanne Engler.

The girl scout troop meets regularly at the Grand Central Education Center and will be working on a journey project to benefit the wildlife this summer.



Girl Scout Troop 8420

Slate Belt Heritage Center

"Finding Branches on Your Family Tree"

The Slate Belt Heritage Center will host "Finding Branches on Your Family Tree" on Saturday, April 21, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. Join the experts for a morning of discovery: Cheryl Statham, Quiet Valley Farm Museum; Cindy Smith, Mt. Bethel Genealogist; Sharon Oxford Gothard, Easton Library History Room; and Renee Drago, Northampton County Archivist. Bring your family stories, research notes, and questions.

Learn how to create your own family chart. The Heritage Center will provide charts and light refreshments. Contact the Slate Belt Heritage Center at (610) 588-4993. The Slate Belt Heritage Center is located at 30 North First Street, Bangor, PA.

Slate Belt Heritage Center 19th Anniversary

The Slate Belt Heritage Center (SBHC), located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA will be celebrating its 19th Anniversary of incorporation in conjunction with its' Spring Opening on **Saturday, April 14th**. The Heritage Center is a not-for-profit 501(c) 3 organization whose mission is: To establish and offer for public view and educational purposes: artifacts, displays, DVD's, oral histories, genealogies and research information that reflect local Slate Belt history and heritage, and to perpetuate our Slate Belt Heritage, ethnic contributions, industry and history so that future generations may learn and appreciate our valued past.

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

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

The Slate Belt Heritage Center produces changing exhibits, monthly programs and seasonal events. Featured this year in the Council Chamber, will be "Who Do You Think We Are" which explores the detective story behind everyone's family tree. Using clues from Slate Belt stories, the special exhibit follows families back to their roots, much like the popular TV shows, "Finding Your Roots" and "Who Do You think You Are"?

Celebrities like actress Jayne Mansfield, TV star Marishka Hargitay, author Adrianna Trigiani, Academy Award winner Sallie Fields, actor Aldo Ray and musician Louis Roger have Slate Belt connections. The exhibit traces their local links but also invites you to solve your own family mysteries.

Every family has its cast of characters-heroes and villains-and its misleading myths, secrets and surprises. Everyone's ancestors came from somewhere else and share the immigrant story about leaving home and going to a new place. The exhibit shows the ways that our families balanced between old and new identities and what kind of evidence can help you crack the mysteries of your family's past.

A 70-foot chart with 12 generations of descendants from the extended family of Adam Dietz, one of the Slate Belt's first settlers, shows how many hundreds of people are connected to each other. See what DNA test results can and can't reveal. Follow the kinds of clues, artifacts, documents and photographs, from which you can piece together family drama. Add your own family names to an eight-foot-tall Slate Belt Family Tree.

In conjunction with the exhibit, the Heritage Center will host two related programs"

Genealogist Joel Hoffner will present a lecture, "Genealogy Tricks, Traps, Trials, Tribulations and Triumphs" on **Thursday April 12th, 7:00 p.m.**

A hands -on workshop, "Finding Branches on Your Family Tree" is scheduled for Saturday, April 21st, from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Join experts Cheryl Statham of Quiet Valley Farm Museum, Cindy Smith, Genealogist, Sharon Oxford Gothard, Easton Library History Room and Renee Drago, Northampton County Archivist, for a morning of discovery. Bring your family stories research notes and question.



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Pen Argyl Woman's Club Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Recipient

Molly Kutz was chosen as the 2018 Pen Argyl Woman's Club Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership recipient. She is the daughter of JoAnn and John Kutz. Molly is a sophomore at Pen Argyl High School. She is involved in varsity tennis, varsity softball, leo club, do something club, and student character of education. Her hobbies include playing the piano, writing stories and poetry, volunteering at tennis and softball camps, and playing tournament softball for the Forks Thunder 16u. Molly also teaches Sunday School at St John's Church on Morgan Hill. She plans on attending either East Stroudsburg University or Bloomsburg University to major in creative writing and journalism. Hoby was founded by actor Hugh O'Brien in 1958. The award is given annually to deserving sophomores across the nation. Hoby's mission is to seek out and develop leadership potential in youth and to encourage and prepare the next generation for America's future.



Learn how to create your own family chart. Sign up by calling Slate Belt Heritage Center at 610-588-4993.

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

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 Community Programs, March 2018**

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

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

Fishing Rods and Tackle Available

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

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

Volunteer Brunch Meet & Greet!

Saturday, March 17, 11:00 AM-12 noon

Join us for a potluck get-together and meet fellow volunteers! We'll also discuss volunteer projects coming up in 2018, If you would like to attend and bring your favorite dish, please contact Rick Wiltraut, volunteer coordinator at rwiltraut@pa.gov.

Tuesday Trails - Tuesday, March 20, 5:30-7:00 PM

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.

Signs of Spring - Saturday, March 24, 3:30-5:30 PM

Looking for a way to beat the winter doldrums? Join us as we search for wildflowers, new plant growth, migrating birds and other signs of spring. Be prepared for a moderate hike that may involve muddy slopes and uphill climbs. Please bring binoculars, a camera, water and a snack, and wear sturdy shoes. We will meet at the Sobers Run parking lot near the intersection of Belfast Road and Keller Road. Registration is required.

Celestial Wildlife - Saturday, March 24, 8:00-9:30 PM

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, snack, water and binoculars if you have them. Registration is required.

Family Night: Frog Slog! - Friday, March 30, 7:00-9:00 PM

Join herp expert Andy Curtis as we explore woodland ponds in search of amphibian wonders. Please dress for the weather, wear waterproof footwear, and bring a flashlight. Space limited to 30 participants. Registration is required.

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

Letter to the Editor

I want to express my appreciation to Bangor's Emergency Management Coordinator Bob Rhodes, Assistant EMC Heather Majors, Police Chief Scott Felchock, Fire Chief Bob Engle, Assistant Fire Chief Todd Albert, Blue Valley Rescue Chief Stephen DeFranco, BVR Assistant Chief Suzanne DeFranco, Mayor Brooke Kerzner, Manager Nate Dysard, Public Works Foreman Greg Diomedio and all the employees, Police Officers, and especially volunteer firefighter and emergency service personnel that worked tirelessly to help Bangor and its residents during the recent winter storm. Their hard work and donation of time, money and energy helped to alleviate the consequences of this storm. Bangor is fortunate to have such dedicated people serving it.

Respectfully,
James W. Kresge
Bangor



PATHWAY OF HOPE

The Salvation Army's Pathway of Hope Initiative to Welcome The Slate Belt YMCA

The Salvation Army's Pathway of Hope Initiative will welcome The Slate Belt YMCA on **Monday, April 2nd, at 6:00pm** presenting Every Kid Health Program: What resources does the YMCA offer for your children? What are some tactics to keep your children as healthy as possible? Light refreshments will be served and a raffle prize will be given to a lucky winner!! All are welcome. The Pen Argyl Salvation Army, 301 West Main St. Pen Argyl PA 18072

Please call Krista Nagy 610-863-9003 to reserve seating as space is limited!

The May presentation will be on Monday May 7th, at 6:00 pm The WIC program; Healthy Eating on a Budget.

Sen. Boscola Reminds Persian Gulf Veterans to Apply for Bonus Program

Sen. Lisa Boscola is reminding veterans of the Persian Gulf conflict that they may be eligible for the Persian Gulf Conflict Veterans Bonus Program.

"I would like to thank our veterans for their service to this country and encourage them to apply for this program," Boscola said. "The bonuses are a way for us to recognize the bravery of these men and women and thank them for vigilantly protecting our freedom."

Boscola said the deadline to apply for the bonus program is August 31. The bonus program, pays \$75 per month for qualifying, active-duty service members, up to a \$525 maximum. For those whose death was related to illness or injury received in the line of duty in Operations Desert Shield or Desert Storm, there is an additional \$5,000 available to the surviving family. Service members who were declared prisoners of war may also be eligible for an additional \$5,000.

Veterans who served on active duty in the Persian Gulf from August 2, 1990 to August 31, 1991 are eligible for this bonus program. They must have served with the U.S. Armed Forces, a reserve component of the U.S. Armed Forces or the Pennsylvania National Guard. Veterans applying must have been a legal resident of Pennsylvania during the time of their active duty and have been discharged from active duty under honorable conditions.

More information on the program and eligibility criteria is available through persiangulfbonus.pa.gov.

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A Pathway to Healing Offering Suicide Support Group to Slate Belt and Valley Children

A Pathway to Healing, a support group for children who have lost a loved one to suicide opens for its second run to local kids.

Beginning in April, and running for six consecutive weekends, A Pathway to Healing Counseling Services, LLC will be offering a suicide support group for children who have lost a loved one to suicide. After experiencing her own loss of a loved one to suicide, which left two of her grandchildren affected, Bernadette M. Gaumer, LCSW therapist and owner of A Pathway to Healing Counseling Services, LLC recognized the void of support for children who have lost a loved one to suicide and has dedicated herself to making a difference.

The support group, which is available at no charge to children aged eleven years of age and older of the Slate Belt and Lehigh Valley region, who have lost a loved one to suicide, will run for six weeks on Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. beginning April 7th at a Pathway to Healing Counseling Services, LLC located at 31 West First Street #1 Wind Gap, PA 18091

The support group aims to address the wide range of emotions kids might feel related to losing a loved one to suicide, including feelings of grief and loss, anger, horror, and even shame associated with the loss.

The primary focus of the support group is to provide these children with a safe place where they can openly and freely express their feelings in order to help the healing process. The first meeting of the group will be for the parents and caregivers of the children to go over the group objectives and outline the overall goals, making the full length of time for this group being a seven-week timespan. The subsequent group sessions will focus on the children and include activities to help them cope with their loss, as well as positive ways to express their grief and coping skills to employ during hard times.

Ideally, Gaumer is hoping to put together and create "healing baskets" for the children who participate in the group – which may include items such as journals, pens, coloring books, and small stuffed animals – to aid in their coping and grief processes. In order to do so, however, Gaumer says that donations for her healing baskets, as well as snacks and/or activities for the children to do during sessions, are necessary in order to provide the best experience that these children could hope to have from this group. Funding for this group is otherwise an out-of-pocket expense for Gaumer, who hopes that community support will help to carry this group on through the future, for as many children who need.

For additional information please call 484-619-5899 or email bernadette@findingapathway.com.

REAL ID Online Pre-Verification

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) opened online application for REAL ID pre-verification for customers who are interested in obtaining a REAL ID and obtained their first driver's license or photo ID card after September 2003.

"Our goal is to offer REAL ID to our customers in a way that is customer-focused and efficient," said Secretary of Transportation Leslie S. Richards. "We are happy to offer these customers an opportunity to obtain a voluntary REAL ID without having to visit a driver's license center."

PennDOT may already have electronic documents on file for approximately 35 percent of its total customers, individuals who received their first PA driver's license or ID card after September 2003.

Starting March 1, PennDOT began sending postcards to eligible customers inviting them to visit PennDOT's Driver and Vehicle Services website to request that PennDOT confirm their documents are on file. PennDOT customers without internet access may call PennDOT's Customer Call Center at 717-412-5300 or visit a PennDOT Online Messenger (PDF) for assistance with pre-verification.

Once a customer has completed the pre-verification application process, PennDOT staff will review the customer's record and verify which documents are on file. The customer will receive follow-up communication from PennDOT regarding the status of their application. Customers are not pre-verified until they have completed the online pre-verification process and received confirmation from PennDOT that all documents are on file.

If they are, PennDOT will mark the customer's record as "verified," and after REAL ID products are available in spring 2019, the customer can opt into the REAL ID program online, pay the one-time \$30 fee, plus their renewal fee (the REAL ID product will include any time left on the current license plus the period of renewal) and their REAL ID product will be sent through the mail, eliminating any need for this customer to visit a Driver License Center.

If PennDOT does not have all the customer's documents on file, they will receive communication from PennDOT informing them that they will need to bring their REAL ID documentation into any PennDOT Driver's License Center beginning in September 2018 for in-person pre-verification.

REAL ID is optional for Pennsylvania residents. A federally-accepted form of identification (whether it's the forthcoming Pennsylvania REAL ID driver's license or ID card, a U.S. Passport/Passport Card, a military ID, etc.) must be used as identification to board a commercial flight or visit a secure federal building on and after October 1, 2020.

Until May 2017, Pennsylvania law prohibited PennDOT from complying with the federal REAL ID Act. Signed into law by Governor Tom Wolf, Act 3 of 2017 repealed this prior legislation and allowed PennDOT to seek REAL ID compliance. Pennsylvania is under an enforcement extension from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) until October 10, 2018, which means that Pennsylvanians may use their current driver's license or ID card to board commercial aircraft or enter federal facilities that require ID until at least that date. Pennsylvania will continue to apply for extensions from DHS until becoming fully compliant with the REAL ID Act. PennDOT is committed to offering REAL ID products at the customer's option in spring 2019.

More information about REAL ID in Pennsylvania, including frequently asked questions and information on documents required for REAL ID, can be found at www.pennndot.gov/REALID.

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Families First Snow Ball Dinner Dance



The 8th Annual Families First Snow Ball Dinner Dance was held on February 24th at the Weona Park Recreation Center. All Proceeds help to support Families First free programs.

Photos by Lisa Newberry

Effects of Winter Storm Riley

Photos by Lisa Newberry

March came with a vengeance as Winter Storm Riley, the first nor'easter of 2018, hammered the East Coast with it's damaging winds, snow and sleet. Snow totaling up to two feet fell in some areas of Pennsylvania, including the hard hit Poconos. Nearly two million lost power from Pennsylvania, New York, and New England to the mountains of North Carolina. The nor'easter underwent the intense process meteorologist refer to as "bombogenesis" a term used to describe storms that become bomb cyclones. The second nor'easter, within a week Winter Storm "Quinn" hit the northeast on Wednesday.



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Easy Slower Cooker Corned Beef and Cabbage

Ingredients:

- 1 corned beef brisket (3-4lbs)
- 1 onion
- 3 cloves garlic
- 2 bay leaves
- 2 1/2 - 3 cups water
- 2 lbs potatoes peeled & quartered
- 2 large carrots chopped
- 1 small head of cabbage cut into wedges



Directions:

Chop onion into large chunks and place in the bottom of a 6 qt slow cooker. Top with corned beef and seasoning packet. Pour water into slow cooker until it almost covers the corned beef, add garlic and bay leaves. Cook on low setting 8-10 hours. After the first 3 hours add potatoes and carrots to the slow cooker. Two hours before serving, add the cabbage wedges to the slow cooker. Remove corned beef from slow cooker and let rest 15 minutes before slicing. Serve with potatoes, carrots and cabbage.

St. Patrick Day Cupcakes

Ingredients:

- 2 c. sifted cake flour
- 1 (4 serving) size instant pistachio pudding mix
- 3/4 c. miniature chocolate chips
- 2 1/2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 2 beaten eggs
- 1 1/4 c. milk
- 1/2 c. cooking oil
- 1 tsp. vanilla

Topping:

- 1/2 of can cream cheese frosting
- green M&M'S®
- 2/3 c. sugar
- green colored sugar



Directions:

Line muffin cups with paper cups. In large mixing bowl stir together flour, pudding mix, chocolate pieces, sugar, baking powder, and salt. In small bowl combine beaten eggs, milk, oil and vanilla. Stir into flour mixture just until combined. Fill muffin cups 2/3 full. Bake in a preheated 375°F oven for 18 to 20 minutes or until golden brown. Cool on wire rack. Frost, sprinkle with green sugar and then add M&M'S® on top.

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 Chip Turtzo, Meghan Vasko, Charles Vasko,
 Andy Svrcek, Martha Fonte, Lucas Fox and Tina Due.**
Pray For Our Nation.

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Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program Applications Now Available

State Senator Lisa M. Boscola today announced that applications for the Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program are now available online and at her local offices. This year's **filing deadline is June 30.**

"This is an excellent program for our seniors and I encourage everyone to see if they are eligible for this program," Boscola said. "The rebate check goes a long way in providing assistance to those who need it most."

Applicants must apply yearly. The rebate amount is based on annual income and paid property taxes for each calendar year. Individuals eligible for the program include Pennsylvanians age 65 and older; widows and widowers age 50 and older; and people with permanent disabilities over the age of 18.

In 2008 Boscola voted for the law that more than doubled the income limit for the Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program from \$15,000 to \$35,000. The measure also raised the maximum rebate for homeowners and renters from \$500 to \$650. Applicants can exclude half of their income earned from Social Security, Supplemental Security income, and Railroad Retirement Tier 1 benefits when applying for a rebate.

Boscola has also introduced legislation that would freeze property tax rates for seniors, and co-sponsored a bill that would totally shift the school funding burden away from property taxes.

Property Tax/Rent Rebate forms are available on Boscola's web site at www.senatorboscola.com or at one of her local district offices at: One East Broad Street, Suite 120 in Bethlehem (610) 868-8667, or 1701 Washington Blvd. in Easton (610) 250-5627, or the West Catasauqua Prof. Office Bldg., 2123 N. 1st Ave., Suite A-4 in Whitehall (610) 266-2117. Assistance with filling out the Property Tax/Rent Rebate applications is available through one of Senator Boscola's offices. There are also events held at local senior centers and libraries to assist those wishing to complete a rebate form. Please contact our offices for more information.

Nazareth Senior Center

15 South Wood Street, Nazareth, PA, 18064. Director: Stacy Walsh
 Call 610-759-8255 by **11 am day prior for meal reservations. We are looking for volunteers to help plan/set up for parties & special events.**

- Card Games** - Everyday 8:30am
- AEA Exercise** - Mondays and Thursdays, 9:00am
- Bonus Bingo** - Tuesdays, and Fridays, 10:00am
- Penny Bingo** - Wednesday, 10:00am
- Pokeno** - Thursday, March 1st, 15th, & 29th, 10:00am

MARCH EVENTS

- Blood Pressure Screening** - Wednesday, March 7th, 12:00 noon
- 9-11:30 CDSMP** - Wednesday, March 21st & 28th, 9:00-11:30am
- Duck Races** - Thursday, March 8th & 22nd, 10:00am
- Arts & Crafts** - Thursday, March 8th & 22nd, 12:00 noon
- St Patrick's Day Meal**
- Birthday Bingo** - Tuesday, March 20th, 10:00am
- CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY** - March 30th

Easton Area Lifestyle Campus

3201 Sullivan Trail, Easton, 610-829-3201. Director - Debbie Mertz
 Hours 8:00-4:00 Monday thru Friday. For meal reservation please call by 10:00am, 1 day prior before the meal.

- Mondays:** Fit w/Darla 10:00am
 Ceramics 12:00 noon
 Bingo 12:30pm
- Tuesdays:** Games 10:00am
 Billiards 12:30pm
 Shuffleboard
 Crazy Bingo 12:30pm
 Moravian Nursing Students are back 9:00am to 12:00pm
 doing Vitals and giving us health information
 AARP Tax Preparations 9:00am to 12:00pm.
 No appointments, walk in only
- Wednesdays:** Mexican Train /LCR 10:00am
 "All Hands on Deck" 12:30pm

- Thursday:** Wii Bowling
 Scrapbooking
 Art /Pam
 Zingers & Ringers

- Friday:** League Shuffleboard 10:00am
 Bingo 12:30pm

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:

- 2/22 Water Colors w/Pam
- 2/27 Safety Toolbox Talk
 White Elephant Bingo
 3/1 Concentration

Don't miss the fun interactive roll play about Personal Safety at home & in public. Senior Scams and more!

Warning: Playing Bingo may make you Ugly!

St.Elizabeth's of Hungary Parish Sponsor Bus Trip to Mohegan Sun

St. Elizabeth's of Hungary parish of Pen Argyl is sponsoring a bus trip to the Mohegan Sun in Wilkesbarre on **Friday, March 9th**. The first pick up location is the Parking lot in Pen Argyl, leaving by **9:00am**, and the proceed to the old St. Joseph's parking lot in Wind Gap. For more info, please call Mary Lou DeRea Lohman at 610-863-3836 or 610-844-4630.

Senior Center Listings

Slate Belt Senior Center

707 American Bangor Road, Bangor, PA
 (Blue Valley Farm Show Building)
 610-588-1224 • Hours: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Easton Area Lifestyle Campus

3201 Sullivan Trail, Easton, PA
 610-829-3201 • Hours: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Nazareth: The Border House

15 South Wood Street, Nazareth, PA.
 610-759-8255 • Hours: 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Monroe County Senior Center

LODER SENIOR CENTER,
 62 Analomink St. in East Stroudsburg • Phone 570-420-3745
 Hours 8 am – 1:30 pm Monday through Friday.

Slate Belt Senior Center

Blue Valley Farm Show Complex, 707 American Bangor Road, Bangor Ph 610-588-1224. Hours: 8:00am-3:30pm. Meal Reservations please call by **10:00am, one day prior. Cancellations as soon as possible. Lunch is served at 11:30am.**

BINGO, Monday, March 5, 19 & 26, Tuesday March 13th 12:15 PM & every Wednesdays, 12:00 PM

Raffle, Monday, March 5, 19 & 26, Tuesday March 13th, 11:30 AM

Zumba Gold, Tuesdays, 10:00 AM

Arthritis Class, Tuesday, March 6, 20, 27 12:15 PM & Thursdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 12:15 PM

Brush Away with Senior Artists, Wednesdays, 8:00-11:00 AM

Exercise with Darla, Wednesdays, March 14th, 21st & 28th, 10:00 AM

50/50 Raffle, Wednesdays

Wii Bowling League, Thursdays, 9:30 AM

Afternoon with the Arts, Thursdays, 12:15 PM

Arthritis Class, Thursdays, 12:15 PM

TAX PREPARATION, Fridays 9:00AM-2:00PM - MUST CALL 484-541-0198 FOR APPOINTMENT

Morning Stretch, Fridays, 9:30 AM

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MARCH EVENTS

Medicare Fraud, Wednesday, March 7th, 10:00 AM

Massage, Thursday, March 8th, 12:15 PM

Baseball Fridatday, March 9th, 10:00 AM

AARP MEETING, Monday, March 12th, 1:30 PM

Green Bingo, Thursday, March 15th, 9:30 AM

Music with Bill Reese, Friday, March 16th, 12:15 PM

Making Shamrocks for Race, Friday, March 16th & Tuesday, March 20th, 10:00 AM

Deja" the Therapy Dogs, Tuesday, March 20th, 10:00 AM

Quoits, Tuesday, March 20th, 12:15 PM

Farkle Tournament, Friday, March 23rd, 10:00 AM

Registration required - \$2.00

Egg Hunt at Kids Express, Thursday, March 29th, 10:00 AM

CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY - March 30th

Slate Belt Senior Center Winter Olympics

Submitted by Marcia Schiavone



Pictured with their gold medals won at the Slate Belt Senior Center Winter Olympics are (left to right) Al Wright, Richard VanFleet, Annette Miller and Shirley Capaldo. Lois Serfass was also a winner.



Participating in the Ice Toss game of the Slate Belt Senior Center Winter Olympics are (left to right) Ethel Jones and Terri Transue. Looking on is Andrea Mongelluzzo.

Slate Belt AARP Chapter 4135 News

The Slate Belt AARP Chapter 4135 will hold its meeting on **March 12th at 1:30pm** at the Senior Center. We will have an AARP guest speaker who will inform the members on the Care Act, POLST (Physicians Order for Life-Sustaining Treatment) and Medicare ID Theft. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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The Slate Belt Young at Heart Club

The Slate Belt Young at Heart Club will be meeting at St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church in Pen Argyl, on **Thursday, March 15th at 1:00pm**. Mary Bach, a well known consumer advocate, will present an entertaining and informative program. She has appeared on Dateline, Today Show, Good Morning America and many more. She has been interviewed and written articles in the Wall Street Journal, Women's Day, etc. Everyone is invited to attend. Please join us for a great afternoon. For more information, please call Mary Lou Derea-Lohman at 610-863-4846 or 610-844-4630.

Salvation Army Pen Argyl - Community Lunch Program

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 12:00pm-1:00pm Community Lunch Program, Thursdays after lunch senior program. Food pantry first 4 Tuesdays of the month from 10am-12pm.

BINGO

March 8 & 15

Polk Township Volunteer Fire Company

Main Fire House Hall, 115 Interchange Rd, Kresgeville
Doors open at **5:00 PM** • Bingo starts at **6:45 PM**

March 9 & 16

Wind Gap Fire Company

Doors open at **5:00 PM** • Bingo starts **6:45 PM**

March 11 & 18

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Doors open at **11:00 AM** • Bingo starts at **1:00 PM**

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March 13 & 20

Portland Hook & Ladder Co. #1

State Street, Portland **7:00 PM**

Klecknersville Rangers Vol. Fire Co.

2718 Mountain View Drive, Moore Township
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March 14 & 21

Bushkill Vol Fire Company

Doors open at **5:00 PM** • Bingo starts at **7:00 PM**

New in The Bangor Public Library

Adult Fiction - Murder on a Summers Day by Frances Brody; Crooked Letter, Crooked Letter by Tom Franklin; The Bird and the Sword by Amy Harmon; The House of Secrets by Brad Meltzer; Arms from the Sea by Rich Shapero; The Final Victim by Wendy Corsi Staub.

Adult Non Fiction - Resilience by Jessie Close; The Mighty Queens of Freeville by Amy Dickinson; Crazy Rich by Jerry Oppenheimer; Mad Science.

Young Adult Fiction - Arcana Rising; Day Zero; Dead of Winter; Endless Knight by Kresley Cole.

Junior Fiction - Bad Kitty Camp Daze by Nick Bruel; Gimme Shelter by Doreen Cronin; My Weird School 10 by Dan Gutman;

DVDs - Cars.



New Additions to the Blue Mt Community Library



Adult Fiction: Carnegie's Maid, Marie Benedict; The Voice Inside, Brian Freeman; The Chalk Man, C.J. Tudor; Little Secrets, Anna Snoekstra; The Last Thing She Ever Did, Gregg Olsen; The Wanted, Robert Crais; The Prague Sonata, Bradford Morrow; The House on Foster Hill, Jaime Jo Wright; Dangerous

Crossing, Rachel Rhys; The Girls in the Picture, Melanie Benjamin; Grist Mill Road, Christopher Yates; Promise Not to Tell, Jayne Anne Krentz; The Wife Between Us, Greer Hendricks; Little Broken Things, Nicole Baart; Night Moves, Jonathan Kellerman; Still Me, Jojo Moyes; The Woman in the Window, A.J. Finn.

Adult Large Print: Many A Twist, Sheila Connolly; Need to Know, Fern Michaels; The Ladies of Ivy Cottage, Julie Klassen; Past Perfect, Danielle Steel; Look For Me, Lisa Gardner; The Great Alone, Kristin Hannah

Adult Non-Fiction: If You Love Me, Alice Keale; Targeted, M. William Phelps; Evidence of Love, John Bloom.

Young Adult Fiction: The Night Garden, Polly Horvath; Superstar, Many Davis; Winter, Marissa Meyer

Young Adult Non-Fiction: Shaken, Tim Tebow; Fierce, Aly Raisman; The Making of a Navy Seal, Brandon Webb.

Break a Leg, McGregor

Hears to you, McGregor break a leg
Get up and dance and hoist a keg
When you're drunk, we know you can dance
Like an Irish jigger with ants in his pants
First ya got'ta drink a pint of Guinness
Then get up there like nobody's business

So McGregor got up on the floor
And danced faster than ever before
The fiddlers and the joint were steadily rockin'
Until he tripped and fell right on his noggin
He broke a leg, but he never lost a strut
He looked so funny sittin' there on his butt

So we took him to the doctor up on the hill
Oh my god! A thousand dollars for the bill
No thanks, Doc, but we have our own medicine
A pint of Irish whisky and ten shots of gin
The hell with the doctor, we know the cure
An old fashion remedy will do it for sure

So he downed the booze with a great big smile
His leg got healed as we knew it all the while
So back to the pub with McGregor set to go
Dancin' up a storm to the music flow
Never felt better than he did today
What broken leg to the music sway?

Break a leg McGregor, we got the cure
Good ole' Irish whiskey, we know for sure
Break a leg McGregor, we got the cure
Good ole' Irish whiskey, we know for sure

By Robert L. Martin



St. Patrick's Day Trivia

1. What kind of creature does legend say St. Patrick drove out of Ireland?
2. What kind of plant is associated with St. Patrick?
3. What does legend say St. Patrick used to help explain the holy trinity?
4. Where is the largest St. Patrick's Day parade?
5. Which of these cities is known for dying its river green? Chicago, Belfast or Dublin?
6. Where was St. Patrick born?
7. What color was originally associated with St. Patrick?

Flip for Answers:

1. Snakes - There are no snakes in Ireland.
2. Shamrock - He is said to have left the shamrocks as a symbol that the snakes would never return.
3. The shamrock - He used the leaves of the shamrock to illustrate the trinity.
4. New York - This parade is also the oldest in North America.
5. Chicago - A hundred pounds of dye was used the first year and the river remained green for a week.
6. Britain - He was taken captive and transported to Ireland when he was sixteen.
7. Blue - This gradually changed to green.



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Deadline for all ad copy and news
Friday, March 16th
Email your news and events to
thebeltandbeyond@gmail.com

Waggin' Tails Pets Rescue Meet and Greet

Waggin' Tails Pets Rescue will host a Meet and Greet on **Saturday, March 10th, 11:00am-2:00pm** at Trendi Pawz, 1507 Route 209, Brodheadsville, PA.

Boomer's Angels Pet Photos with the Easter Bunny

Boomer's Angels will host pet photos with the Easter Bunny on **Sunday, March 18th at 11:00am-2:00pm**. Come out and join us at Pet Supplies Plus, 101 Pocono Commons, Stroudsburg, PA for our first ever pet photos with the Easter bunny!!!

St. Patty's Day Doggie Pattie Recipe

- 1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 cup whole wheat flour
- 2 Tsp. baking powder
- 4 strips bacon, cut into small pieces
- 4 cups green peas, drained (about two cans)
- 2 Tbls. water

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Mix dry ingredients. Fry bacon and reserve drippings; cool. Put peas in blender or food processor and blend. Mix blended peas and bacon with drippings; add dry ingredients and mix well. Knead dough and pat out or roll to under 1/2 inch thickness. Cut with cookie cutters to desired shape and place on lightly oiled cookie sheet. Bake at 325 degrees for 25 minutes or until browned. Cool and serve.



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25 South 2nd Street, Bangor
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Wed. Eve.: Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7 PM
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Little Friends Preschool (570) 897-7797
email office@mountbethelchurch.org
www.mountbethelchurch.org
Sunday Service Schedule
8:30 & 11am Worship Services
9:45 Confirmation and Sunday School

Mount Eaton Church

7277 Mt. Eaton Road, Saylorsburg
Services: 6:30 PM Saturday, 8 AM Sunday Traditional, 10:30 AM Sunday Contemporary,
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8:30 PM Young Adults' Group
Pastor Doug Hayes, (570) 992-7050
mouneatonchurch.org

Nazareth Moravian Church

4 South Main Street, Nazareth, (610) 759-3163,
nazarethmoravian.org
Sundays -8:15 Worship; 9:30 Sunday School; 10:45 Worship
Noon Confirmation 2/4; 5:30pm Confirmation Class 2/25
7:00 Inquirers' Class 2/4, 2/11
Wednesdays-6pm Weight Watchers: 7pm Bible Study 2/7
6pm Lenten Diner & 7pm Worship 2/14, 2/21, 2/28
Thursdays-6:30pm Bell Choir: 7:15pm Senior Choir

Northampton God's Missionary Church

4965 Nor Bath Blvd, Northampton, PA
Sundays: 10:00 AM, and 6:30 PM
Wednesdays at 6:00 PM. (call for location)
Daniel Richardson, pastor (610) 262-4412
www.ngmc.church

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

Portland Baptist Church

601 Delaware Avenue, Portland
9 AM Sunday School, 10 AM Fellowship, 10:20 AM Worship,
6-7:30 PM AWANA Youth Group/Prayer Meeting/Bible Study,
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Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

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Rev. Michael J. Scholtes, (610) 588-2355
www.popbangor.org

Presbyterian Parish of Bangor-Roseto

Sunday 10:45 AM Worship Service
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www.presbyparishbangorroseto.webs.com

Presbyterian Church of the Mountain

Church Lane, Delaware Water Gap (570) 476-0345
Sunday Worship Service: 10 AM in the Sanctuary
Holy Communion: 1st Sunday of each month
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Sunday School: during worship in the Fellowship House for
ages 0-12 (childcare and class)
Choir Rehearsal: Thursday at 7:30 PM in the Fellowship House
Choir Room, Deacons Meeting: Last Sunday of each month at
11 AM, Session: 2nd Thursday of each month at 7 PM, Bible
Study: each Monday at 7 PM

Richmond United Methodist Church

8538 Delaware Drive, Bangor. Pastor Ed Van Arsdale
Sunday Service 10:00 AM ; Children's Sunday School 10:00 AM
Mar 25th Palm Sunday Service 10 AM
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www.RIPC-OnlineToday.org

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Third Monday of the month Consistory Meeting 7:00 PM
Tuesdays Boy Scout Troop 50 6:30-8:00 PM & Senior Choir 7:00 PM
Wednesdays Ladies Aid Quilting 9:00 AM-3:00 PM
Pastor Donald Brown, (610) 759-1652
www.salemuccbathpa.org

St. Brigid's Episcopal Church

301 Madison Avenue, Nazareth
9 AM Holy Eucharist
Rev. William Martin,
(610) 746-3910, www.stbrigidspa.org

St. Elizabeth's Parish

300 West Babbitt, Pen Argyl
Masses: 5 PM Saturday, 8 AM, 9:30 AM & 11 AM Sunday
Rev. Msgr. Vincent P. York. (610) 863-4777

St. Luke's UCC

471 Belfast Road Belfast (Nazareth), PA
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Rev. Cecilia and Rev. Jameson Baxter
(610) 759-0244
www.stlukesuccbelfast.com

St. Mary's Episcopal

340 Lehigh Street, Wind Gap
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The Rev. Canon Joel Atkinson, priest in charge.
(610) 863-8007 saintmarywindgap.webs.com

St. Matthew's UCC

102 Church Rd., Kunkletown, PA 18058 610-381-2442
www.stmattsucckunkletown.com
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Country Gospel worship 12 PM 2nd Sun. of each month
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12 North Westbrook, Pen Argyl
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1440 Verona Drive, Pen Argyl
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