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## WEEKEND HAPPENINGS

### Christ Presbyterian Church of the Slate Belt Hospitality Luncheon

Christ Presbyterian Church of the Slate Belt will hold their monthly hospitality luncheon on **Saturday, March 30, 11:30AM to 1:30PM**. The church is located at 332 Kennedy Drive, Bangor, PA 18013

### EBUMCC Free Community Dinner

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church welcomes you to a **FREE Hamburger Stoganoff Dinner on Sunday, April 3, 4:00PM to 4:30PM**. Take-Out ONLY. The church is located at 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor, PA. Questions? call 610-588-4453 or visit [www.ebumc.org](http://www.ebumc.org).

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### HOLY WEEK 2024

Maundy Thursday, March 28

Good Friday, March 29

Holy Saturday, March 30

Easter Sunday, March 31



## NATIONAL DAYS

### APRIL IS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH

#### APRIL NATIONAL DAYS

APRIL 1 - APRIL FOOL'S DAY

APRIL 2 - NATIONAL PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY DAY

APRIL 3 - NATIONAL WALKING DAY

APRIL 4 - NATIONAL VITAMIN C DAY

APRIL 5 - NATIONAL GO FOR BROKE DAY

APRIL 7 - NATIONAL NO HOUSEWORK DAY

APRIL 8 - NATIONAL EMPANADA DAY

APRIL 9 - NATIONAL FORMER PRISONER OF WAR RECOGNITION DAY

APRIL 10 - NATIONAL SIBLINGS DAY

APRIL 11 - NATIONAL LIVING DONOR DAY

APRIL 12 - NATIONAL GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH DAY

APRIL 13 - NATIONAL SCRABBLE DAY

### Bangor Area High School to Present Mean Girls High School Version

The Bangor Area High School Theater Department will present "Mean Girls" The High School Version on **Friday, April 12, 7:30PM, Saturday, April 13 at 2:00PM & 7:30PM and Sunday April 14 at 2:00PM** at the Bangor Performing Arts Theater, 187 Five Points Richmond Road, Bangor, PA. 18013. For tickets go to <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/76527>

### Slate Belt Heritage Center 25th Anniversary

The Slate Belt Heritage Center will celebrate the opening and 25th Anniversary on **Saturday, April 13, 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM.**

See ad at right for details

### Pen Argyl Alumni Assoc. Scholarship Bingo

The Pen Argyl Alumni Assoc. will hold a Scholarship Bingo on **Sunday, April 14**, at the Wind Gap Fire Co. Social Hall. Doors open at **11:30AM**. For tickets/info call 610-863-4600 OR 610-570-9416.

### Mt. Bethel Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary 30th Annual Spring Craft/Vendor Show

The Mt. Bethel Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary will hold their 30th Annual Spring Craft/Vendor Show on **Saturday April 20** at the Mt Bethel Vol. Fire Co. hall, 2341 N. Delaware Drive, Mt Bethel, PA. 18341.

See ad page 5 for details

### Ackermanville United Methodist Community Drive-Thru Meal

Ackermanville United Methodist Church free community Drive-thru meal will be held **Sunday, April 21 beginning at 3:00PM**. The church hosts a free monthly community Drive-thru meal every 3rd Sunday of the month. The church is located at 1410 Ackermanville Rd., Ackermanville, PA.

### Richmond UMC Rummage & Bake Sale

The Richmond United Methodist Church will hold a Rummage & Bake Sale **April 26-27, 9:00AM to 1:00PM**. 8538 S Delaware Dr., Bangor, PA.

### First United Methodist Church Bangor Monthly Luncheon

The First United Methodist Church Bangor hosts a community luncheon the 4th Sunday of every month. The next luncheon will be held on **April 28, at 12:30PM**. The church is located at 55 N. 3rd St., Bangor. Use the lower entrance on the alley (on the left of church). Questions call 610-588-HOPE (4673).

### Evening Star Quilters Guild

Evening Star Quilters Guild presents Quilts In The Vineyard, **Saturday, June 8 & Sunday, June 9 12:00PM to 6:00PM** at Brook Hollow Winery. Contact Jane Myers 530-604-1718

### Blue Valley Farm Show Youth Advisory Upcoming Events

Save the Date the Blue Valley Farm Show Youth Advisory will be hosting an "ALL MOTOR SHOW" on **June 22** and a "BULLS AND BARRELS BLOWOUT" on **October 12** both at the Blue Valley Farm Show complex 707 American Bangor Rd. Bangor, PA. Watch for more details.



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## Slate Belt Heritage Center 25th Anniversary

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### Wind Gap Volunteer Fire Company

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## March Madness CASH Bingo

**Friday, April 5 - \$40 per ticket**

**Doors open at 4:00PM BINGO starts at 6:40PM**

Tickets can be purchased at

Friday night Bingo,

at the door night of event or at

The Cozy Barn,

630 Washington St, Wind Gap, PA. 18091

Save the Date!  
Friday, April 26  
Special Flower  
Bingo

### Washington Twp. Vol. Fire Co. and Richmond Lions Club

Presents

## FISH AND CHIPS DINNER

920 Washington Blvd, Bangor, PA 18013

**Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> 4:30-7:00PM**

Seating Times: 5:00, 5:45, 6:30 or 7:00

**\$18.00 per meal**

Meal includes: (2) Yuengling Beer Battered Haddock Fillets  
w/Tarter Sauce, French Fries, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll w/Butter  
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For Tickets Call 610-588-2113 or  
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6:30-8PM

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### Weona Park Pool Pals April Meeting

The next meeting of the Weona Park Pool Pals will be held **Monday, April 1, 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. 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.

### Pen Argyl Women's Club News

The Women's Club of Pen Argyl met on Tuesday, March 5 at the Phoebe Wind Gap Manor. A slate of officers was presented and will be installed in June at our spring luncheon.

Working with Families First, the club will sponsor a family for Easter. Food for breakfast and dinner will be provided along with Easter baskets for the children.

The Slate Pub in Pen Argyl will host a fundraiser for the Women's Club on Tuesday, April 9. Come join us and support our community service organization.

Leslie Stine, a club member, gave an informative talk about her recent visit to Cuba.

The Women's Club will meet again on **Tuesday, April 2 at 12:00PM** for a pizza luncheon. Any woman in the Pen Argyl, Wind Gap, or Plainfield Twp. area who would like to join us please call 610-863-7371.

### April Miracle

We all have been told the story  
That April showers bring May flowers  
My story of what April brought to me was  
Two sweet rosy cheeks  
A tiny little nose  
Ten beautiful toes  
Two gorgeous eyes  
and a smile that could never be copied

This was my little girl on her birthday turning seven. The next fifteen birthdays were happy ones on earth with our family. In 1992 God took my little angel to celebrate her birthdays in Heaven.

Kathy, I'm sending you no card, no present.  
Just sending all my love wrapped up for you.  
Until the day we meet again.

Love  
Mom and family

Kathy Meneeley  
Klingle



April 3

### 5 Generations



Pictured: Seated Fay Patrick, Great, great grandmother, Johnathon Fassl, holding his 1.5 month old son, Beckham James Fassl. Standing L-R Jennifer Fassl, grandmother and great grandmother, Bonnie Pysher.

### Slater Family Network 17th Annual Silent Auction

Slater Family Network will hold its 17th annual Silent Auction on **Saturday, April 6** at Five Points Elementary School, 363 5 Points Richmond Road, Bangor, PA. This year's theme is "Support a Slater." Attendees will have the opportunity to browse and place tickets in desired baskets from **10:00AM to**

**12:00PM** Auction begins promptly at **12:00PM** with over 100 baskets, gift cards and prizes up for bid and a 50/50. 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](mailto:Damourpa@bangorsd.org)



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Sunday, April 21, 2024

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# Mt Bethel Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary 30th Annual Spring Craft/Vendor Show Saturday, April 20, 2024 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

More than 75 Crafters/Vendors  
 Bake Sale, Door Prizes & 50/50

FOR MORE INFO CALL  
 Michelle (484) 523-3379



Welcoming all ladies to our  
**1st Mt Bethel Ladies  
 Auxiliary Luncheon**  
**Sunday, April 14 from  
 12:00-4:00 PM**  
 Light lunch and beverages  
 will be served.  
 Accepting new members.  
*Come see what  
 we are about!*

Mt Bethel Fire House  
 2341 N. Delaware Drive  
 Mt Bethel, PA 18343



Kitchen  
 will be  
 open

## Community Easter Egg Hunts

### LOOKOUT FIRE CO. #1

Saturday, March 30, 11:00 AM  
 Rain or Shine

Weona Park, Rt. 512 Pen Argyl  
 children ages 0-10, 5 age groups

### WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP VOL. FIRE CO.

Saturday, March 30, 10:00 AM  
 Rain or Shine

Washington Twp. Recreation Complex  
 1021 Washington Blvd., Bangor, PA. 18013

### WIND GAP BOROUGH

Saturday, March 30, 11:00 AM

Wind Gap Boro Park, E. 4th Street  
 Wind Gap, 18091. Children Ages 0-10

### ACKERMANVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Saturday, March 30, 12:00 PM  
 Rain or Shine

Slate Belt Community children ages 2-10 are  
 invited. ( a parent must assist 2 to 4 age).  
 Egg hunt will be held behind the church.  
 1410 Ackermanville Rd, Bangor, PA.

### PORTLAND BOROUGH

Saturday, March 30 12:00 PM

Children ages 0-12, Portland Ball Field,  
 State Street, Portland, PA. 18351

### ST. PETER'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Saturday, March 30, 11:00 AM

On the church grounds.  
 Children ages 2-11 are invited.  
 FMI call the church office at 570-992-7311.  
 St. Peter's United Methodist Church,  
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### Trinity UCC Church

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Bingo begins at 6:00pm

Refreshments and desserts for sale.  
 Under the age of 18 to play you need  
 to be accompanied by an adult

To order tickets and for more information  
 call Trinity UCC Church at 610-588-1989



## Easter - A Time of Renewal

*By Kathleen McFall*

So many childhood Easter experiences are highlighted by egg hunts, baskets filled with chocolate bunnies and chicks, spring flowers, and quality time with loved ones.

While these celebrations are wonderful moments of sharing and love, the true meaning of Easter, the holiest festival of the Christian church, is the Resurrection of Jesus Christ on the third day after his Crucifixion at Calvary.

As Christians, we believe that Jesus died and rose again so that we can have eternal life, through the life-altering power of His redemption.

In the Bible, 1 Peter:3, states: "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."

His suffering and sacrifice opened the path for us to have peace with God. Through His crucifixion, death, and resurrection, Jesus offers us rebirth.

The Bible teaches us that hope originates from God, yet sometimes it is hard to find peace.

Our dreams do not always work out the way we hope and our disappointment can affect the way we view our future.

Everyday worries such as health issues, family matters, and navigating the chaos of a broken world, can make it hard to find the right words to pour your heart out to God. It may even seem impossible.

Yet, we can enjoy life even in the face of opposition. Jesus is with us. He wants nothing but the best for us.

We need to rely on the comfort of His provision with a healthy and positive outlook towards the future, to believe that all things are possible with faith, hope and prayer.

The Bible verse 1 Corinthians 1:18 reads, "For the message of the cross...is the power of God".

The Resurrection of Christ gives a living hope. Through prayer we can release our worldly concerns and help and uplift ourselves.

When we put our faith in Him, we feel the presence of God and His gifts, including life, love, wisdom, strength, and order. He blesses us with inner peace and joy.

God's power heals, uplifts, and brings people closer to His heart. Time moves forward, reminding us to treasure each experience.

Author Linda Richman states: "No matter how sad you are today happiness and laughter and even joy are distinct possibilities for tomorrow".

We need to trust in the power of new beginnings in our lives and believe in God's grace. God desires to care for us.

He is with us in all of our trials and triumphs. We can feel the presence of God within and around us.

The gospel tells us of the human side of the Son of God. While on earth, Jesus exhorted, explained, joked, taught,

and sometimes chided, but everything in Jesus's life reflected love.

Jesus did not just teach about love. His entire life defined it - healing, building up, raising the dead. He taught us lessons of compassion, kindness and gentleness, and most importantly His ultimate act of love - He gave up His life on our behalf. May this truth fill our hearts with awe and wonder, deepening His love and devotion for us.

In His perfect timing, He promises a new life and ultimate renewal, inspiring new possibilities and the fulfillment of God's love and grace.

We need to love with our actions and not just words. Jesus didn't command us to feel love but to live it, to love others as Jesus did.

As each of us navigates different circumstances, remember God's love. Embrace His grace. Seek His forgiveness and be transformed.

As we surrender our plans to Him and trust in His timing, He promises to renew our strength. We will not only endure, but soar.

We can wait on His time and expect and believe that we will renew our strength through His grace and blessings.

Let the prayers of our hearts be those of love, peace and gratitude, overflowing with anticipation and quiet joy, helping us experience His forgiveness, comfort, and love.

God orchestrated the greatest act of love, the crucifixion of His Son. Jesus knew His fate and understood what He would face.

Jesus wants to rescue us and give us life everlasting. He gave His life to pay the price for our sins. We know deeply and unconditionally that we are loved.

We need to focus on seeking His kindness and embracing the fresh start that He offers.

He brings joy and renewal. He rejoices in our presence and rescues us when we need Him most.

May we have the faith to trust in His wisdom even when we don't understand and help us to see His hand at work in all our circumstances.

Let us try to live our life free from worry and fear, but rather filled with His love.

"Corrie" ten Boom, who was a Christian writer and public speaker stated. "Worry does not empty tomorrow of its sorrow. It empties today of its strength."

Hope grows best when we allow Jesus' love to fill us and believe that Jesus has good plans for our life.

We have faith in the belief that God is at work creating new paths and opportunities.

Commit and focus on Jesus this Easter. Celebrate the power of faith and embrace each day with a hopeful spirit.

Walk by Faith, Abide in Peace, Pray with Hope, Live with Joy.

Have a Blessed Easter. Rejoice.

*'For the message of the cross...  
is the power of God'*

*1 Corinthians 1:18*

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# EASTER

*gatherings*

March 29, 2024 7pm

The Unveiling  
a night of art & music  
and the story of Easter

March 31, 2024 10am  
Easter gathering



The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church  
"WELCOMES YOU" to their EASTER Service....  
at 9:30 a.m.

**Holy Thursday  
Communion Service**  
at 7:00 p.m.

(both services in-person or  
online: [www.ebumc.org](http://www.ebumc.org))

136 W. Central Ave., East Bangor, PA  
Pastor David G. Goss



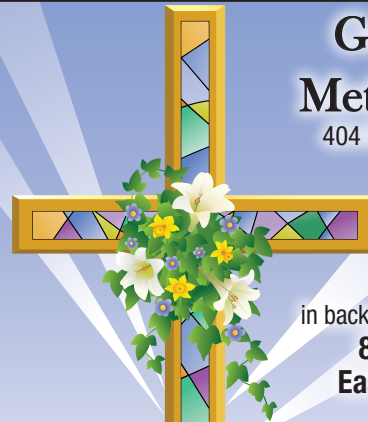
## Grace United Methodist Church

404 E. Mountain Ave., Pen Argyl  
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**Easter Services:**  
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**8:30am and 10:00am  
Easter Worship Services**



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**More information?** Stop in on Sunday morning or call Pastor Emily at 610-863-4474



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**Maundy Thursday Service -  
March 28th at 7:00PM**

**EASTER SUNDAY  
SERVICES -  
Dawn Services at 7:00AM  
(followed by a light breakfast)  
and Second Service at 10:00AM**

## Join us this Easter Trinity Lutheran Church

404 Broadway, Bangor, PA. 18013

**Easter Service of  
Holy Communion**  
10:30 a.m.

Easter hymns and  
special music from  
the senior choir.

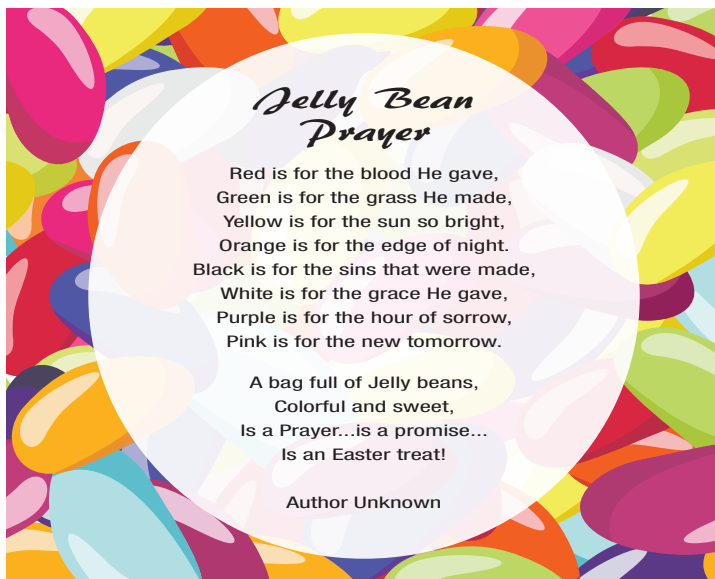


### Jelly Bean Prayer

Red is for the blood He gave,  
Green is for the grass He made,  
Yellow is for the sun so bright,  
Orange is for the edge of night.  
Black is for the sins that were made,  
White is for the grace He gave,  
Purple is for the hour of sorrow,  
Pink is for the new tomorrow.

A bag full of Jelly beans,  
Colorful and sweet,  
Is a Prayer...is a promise...  
Is an Easter treat!

Author Unknown



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Easter





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**Slate Belt Litter Cleanup Event**

Join Slate Belt Rising for the Slate Belt Litter Cleanup event on Saturday, April 27, 10:00AM - 1:00PM (or until the area is complete)!

Teams will be picking up litter in Wind Gap, Pen Argyl, Bangor, and Portland. If you would like to volunteer, email or call Slate Belt Rising Director, Brian Fenstermaker to sign up [bfenstermaker@caclv.org](mailto:bfenstermaker@caclv.org) or call 484-523-0900.

Also seeking volunteers to lead teams in other municipalities in the Slate Belt. If interested, let us know!

All materials will be provided including safety vests, work gloves, garbage bags, and litter grabbers. Let's keep the Slate Belt beautiful together!



Pictured L-R Cindy Hart, Pauline Navarro, Club President, Carolyn Shaplin, Nancy Kessler and Maryellen Bisher.

**Trout Stocking Schedules Available**

The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (PFBC) announced that it's 2024 trout stocking schedules are now available online and on the FishBoatPA mobile app. The PFBC will stock approximately 3.2 million adult trout in 697 streams and 129 lakes open to public angling. Stocking is set to begin the week of Feb. 19 in advance of the statewide Mentored Youth Trout Day on **Saturday, March 30**, and the statewide opening day of trout season on **Saturday, April 6**.

The 2024 adult trout stocking schedule is searchable by county; lists the waterways in alphabetical order; and indicates stocking dates, meeting locations for volunteers and the species of trout that will be stocked at each location.

For more information about stocking, fishing and licensing, visit [fishandboat.com](http://fishandboat.com).

[www.thebeltandbeyond.com](http://www.thebeltandbeyond.com)



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**EASTER TRIVIA**

- The most popular American Easter candy is:**  
A. Cadbury Egg    B. Jelly Beans    C. Peeps
- What color was the first Easter eggs dyed?**  
A. Blue    B. Yellow    C. Red
- What do white Easter lilies represent?**  
A. Purity    B. Wisdom    C. Optimism
- Easter is commemorated as the day that Jesus was:**  
A. Baptized    B. Resurrected    C. Born
- What kind of meat is often associated with Easter?**  
A. Pork    B. Turkey    C. Lamb
- What is the date of Easter determined by?**  
A. The moon    B. Day of the month    C. Weather
- Where is the largest Easter egg museum in the world?**  
A. Ukraine    B. Germany    C. Sweden
- What egg-shaped candy is illegal in the United States?**  
A. Cadbury    B. Kinder Surprise    C. Robin Eggs
- What flower is considered an Easter symbol?**  
A. Tulip    B. Daisy    C. Lily
- What country did the Easter Bunny tradition originate?**  
A. Germany    B. Poland    C. France

Answers on page 14

**Slate Belt Rising Receives Generous Donation from WM at Grand Central Landfill and Hauling/Waste Management of the Slate Belt**

Recently, the Director of Slate Belt Rising, Brian Fenstermaker, was honored to receive a generous \$50,000 donation from WM to support SBR's various regional projects and programs.

"This donation once again showcases their commitment to the Slate Belt community," said Brian Fenstermaker. This donation is part of the \$300,000 Waste Management has committed to Slate Belt Rising during the current 6-year NPP period. Slate Belt Rising is incredibly grateful for their ongoing partnership and support, which plays a crucial role in shaping the future of the Slate Belt. Thank you, Waste Management, for your continued dedication to the #SlateBelt!



Pictured: Operations Manager Ryan Stevens, Brian Fenstermaker, Director Slater Belt Rising, Landfill Manager Joe Statile, Project Manager Eric Oehling, Financial Analyst Christine Graver, Adrienne Fors, Sr. Community Relations Specialist, Landfill Engineer Ron Myer, and Slate Belt Rising Steering Committee Member Mike Ortoski.

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## Northampton County Division of Parks and Recreation 2024 Livable Landscapes Grants

Northampton County Executive Lamont G. McClure and the Division of Parks and Recreation will begin accepting applications for the 2024 Livable Landscapes Grant Program on **until 1:00 pm on Thursday, April 18, 2024.**

The Livable Landscapes Grant Program provides grant opportunities for eligible applicants in land conservation, ecological restoration, education and outreach, park rehabilitation and development, and regional trails in Northampton County. Program priorities are consistent with the goals of the Livable Landscapes – An Open Space Plan for Northampton County.

**June 2024** – Anticipated Grant Award by County Resolution, Grant Agreement start date

**December 31, 2026** – Grant Agreement expiration date

Applications are due by **1:00 pm, April 18, 2024**, electronically (PDF format). No hard copies. Email applications to Sherry Acevedo at [sacevedo@norcopa.gov](mailto:sacevedo@norcopa.gov). For larger file sizes, please contact Sherry for more information

Schedule an individual meeting with Sherry Acevedo, Conservation Coordinator. If also applying to the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR), a joint meeting needs to be scheduled with Sherry Acevedo and DCNR Recreation and Conservation Manager

"Livable Landscapes funding supports my priorities by enhancing outdoor recreation, regional trails, water quality, open space conservation, and municipal parks within the County," remarks Lamont G. McClure, County Executive. "Open Space plays an essential role in the quality of life in our communities by protecting clean air, land, water, and the environment to improve our health and wellness."

The purpose of the grant program is to protect the county's important natural features by assisting municipalities and organizations in acquiring, restoring, and enhancing permanently protected lands to conserve natural resources and provide outdoor recreation for future generations. Since 2006, Northampton County awarded \$20.75 million in Livable Landscapes grants for successful local and regional park improvements, recreation, land conservation, ecological restoration, and trail projects.

Download grant-related forms on the new Northampton County website, Parks and Recreation page: [www.norcopa.gov/livable-landscapes-grant](http://www.norcopa.gov/livable-landscapes-grant). Updates will be posted on Northampton County Parks & Recreation's Facebook page.

For more information, contact the grant administrator, Sherry Acevedo, at [sacevedo@norcopa.gov](mailto:sacevedo@norcopa.gov) or 610-829-4872.

## 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 Fridays of each month from 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM.** Drive Thru Pick Up parking lot opens at 4:30 PM. 915 North 5th Street, Stroudsburg, PA. For more information contact the church 570-421-0750

### Pleasant Valley Ecumenical Network Food Pantry, Clothing Closet, Community Service Center

The PVEN Community Service Center, located at 2334 Route 209, Sciota, PA 18354 (just outside Brodheads ville and diagonally across the street from The Flag Store), is home to their Food Pantry, Clothing Closet, Diaper Pantry, and Menstrual Hygiene Pantry. These year-round programs provide free groceries, clothing, social service referrals, and other necessary items to residents of Chestnuthill, Eldred, Hamilton, Jackson, Ross and Polk townships in Monroe County, PA. All services are by appointment only.

All recipients must complete registration as a new client at the PVEN office to be eligible for services. Please call (570) 992 3136 for more information on registration hours and required documentation. Once registered, clients can schedule appointments to visit the Food Pantry once each month and the Clothing Closet once every 3 months.

More information can be obtained by calling the PVEN office at (570) 992 3136, or by visiting [www.pven.net](http://www.pven.net)

### McMichaels United Methodist Church Prayer Chain

McMichaels United Methodist Church has an ongoing Prayer Chain and invites anyone who is in need of prayer or knows someone who needs prayer, to email [ruthandnick@yahoo.com](mailto:ruthandnick@yahoo.com) detailing your needs. We have a group of people dedicated to praying for anyone who needs prayer. There is great comfort in knowing your loved ones are being lifted to the Lord in prayer.

### AA Meeting - McMichaels UMC

AA meets at the church every **Wednesday at 12:00PM** and every **Saturday evening at 6:30PM**. There is no charge for the class. All meetings are confidential. If you or someone you know needs help please feel free to attend. McMichaels United Methodist Church is located at 104 White Church Rd. (corner of Rte. 715 and White Church Rd.) Saylorsburg, PA.

[www.thebeltandbeyond.com](http://www.thebeltandbeyond.com)

## Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center April Community Programs

**Fishing Equipment Available - Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm.** Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth. 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](mailto:jacobsburgsp@pa.gov).

**DiscoverE Adventure Backpacks Available - Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm.** 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](mailto:jacobsburgsp@pa.gov).

**Hike for Health: Special Excursion! Wednesday, April 3 at 5:30pm to 7:00pm.** Get moving after work with a brisk hike guided by a Jacobsburg educator! This is a special excursion hike that will take us to Wayne A. Grube Park to hike on the Nor-Bath Trail in honor of Northampton County Parks 50th Anniversary! Join us as we explore one of the many trails that Northampton County Parks has to offer and how trail connections can enhance communities. These guided monthly hikes are 2 to 3 miles over uneven terrain. You must be able to maintain a hiking pace of two miles per hour to attend. Dogs are welcome to hike on a leash. \*\*Meet at 1200 Willowbrook Rd, Northampton, PA 18067\*\*. Registration is not required. Join the email reminder list by contacting us at 610-746-2801 or [jacobsburgsp@pa.gov](mailto:jacobsburgsp@pa.gov).

**Weekly Weeders - Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25 at 8:30am to 10:30am.** Interested in learning more about gardening with native plants? Volunteer to mulch, pull weeds, divide plants, and amend soil in the center's native plant garden every Thursday morning from 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM. We provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Registration is required.

**Volunteer Event - Community Tree Planting - Saturday, April 6 at 3:00pm to 5:00pm.** Celebrate Earth Day a little early with us in our education area to plant small trees and shrubs to replace removed invasive species. All tools and equipment will be provided. Registration required.

**Volunteer Event - Ultraviolet Light Nighttime Litter Pick Up - Saturday, April 6 at 7:30pm to 9:00pm.** Gain a different perspective of your environment as we walk trails with UV flashlights. Not only may we see luminescing critters, but also plenty of glowing litter to place in bags as we walk along. Registration required.

**Hike for Health - Wednesday, April 10 at 5:30pm to 7:00pm.** Get moving after work with a brisk hike at Jacobsburg! These guided monthly hikes are 2 to 3 miles over uneven terrain. You must be able to maintain a hiking pace of two miles per hour to attend. Dogs are welcome to hike on a leash. Meet at the Visitor Center flagpole at 400 Belfast Road. This monthly hiking program will repeat on April 10, May 1, June 5, July 10, August 14, September 4, and October 2 at the same time and place. Registration is not required. Join the email reminder list by contacting us at 610-746-2801 or [jacobsburgsp@pa.gov](mailto:jacobsburgsp@pa.gov).

**Woodland Wildflower Walk - Wednesday, April 17 at 10:00am to 12:00pm.** Join conservation volunteer Doug Burton for a one-mile hike in Sobers Run to learn about the early spring blooms scattered throughout the forest. Please wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather. Registration is required.

**Woodland Wildflower Walk - Saturday, April 20 at 10:00am to 12:00pm.** Join us on a two-hour search for the late spring botanical treasures of Jacobsburg! We'll discuss how flowers got their names as well as legends, myths and stories that surround them. 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. 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 an accommodation to participate in a program, please contact the park office at 610-746-2801 or [jacobsburgsp@pa.gov](mailto:jacobsburgsp@pa.gov). Interpreters for people who are deaf or hard of hearing are available for educational programs with at least five days notice.



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The Bangor Area High School Theater Department held the "Fetch" Pancake breakfast on Saturday, March 23. The Bangor High School Theater Dept. will present "Mean Girls" The High School Version on April 12, 13 & 14 at the Bangor High School Performing Arts Theater. For tickets go to <https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/76527>

See more photos on our Facebook page



### Plainfield Township Vol. Fire Co Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

*Photos by Lisa Newberry*

Plainfield Township Vol. Fire Co. held their annual Easter Bunny Breakfast on Saturday, March 23.

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### Community Easter Egg Hunts

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DVDs - Aquaman and the Lost Kingdom; The Color Purple; Freelance; Wish.

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### Poll Workers Needed for Upcoming Election

Northampton County Elections Office reminds registered voters who live in Northampton County that they are seeking workers for poll worker positions for the upcoming Primary Election on **Tuesday, April 23rd**, and General Election on **Tuesday, November 5th**.

Every year, elections in Northampton County are made possible by citizens who serve as poll workers. These people do the important work of checking in voters at polling places and setting them up with a ballot. At the end of the night, poll workers deliver the returns to county election officials. The County depends on these workers to ensure fair, accurate, and legal elections.

Poll workers must attend mandatory training prior to the Primary Election and are also paid for their training time and work on Election Day. Northampton County poll workers may earn between \$175 and \$200 for serving all of Election Day, depending on the poll worker's assignments and training. Typical Election Day hours are from 6:30 a.m. until after the polls close at 8 p.m. Individuals who bring supplies back to the Government Center receive additional compensation and mileage.

Registered voters interested in becoming poll workers in your community, email the Northampton County Elections Office at [election@norcopa.gov](mailto:election@norcopa.gov) or call 610-829-6260.

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A. Purity
- Easter is commemorated as the day that Jesus was:**  
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- What kind of meat is often associated with Easter?**  
C. Lamb
- What is the date of Easter determined by?**  
A. The moon
- Where is the largest Easter egg museum in the world?**  
A. Ukraine
- What egg-shaped candy is illegal in the United States?**  
B. Kinder Surprise
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C. Lily
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