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JANUARY 31-NATIONAL INSPIRE YOUR HEART WITH ART DAY  
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JANUARY 15-MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

# WEEKEND HAPPENINGS

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

The Mt. Bethel Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary will host their first "Monthly Soup Nite" on **Thursday, January 11th, from 3:00-7:00 pm** 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. February soup nite will be held on **Thursday, February 8th**. The monthly soup nite will be held the second Thursday of the month through March.

## Blue Mt Community Library Half Price Book Sale

The Blue Mountain Community Library will hold a half-price Book Nook sale on **Thursday, January 11th from 6:00pm-8:00pm; Friday, January 12th from 10:00am-12:00pm; and Saturday, January 13th from 10:00am-12:00pm**. Snow dates are the following week. The library is located at 216 S. Robinson Ave. in Pen Argyl.

## Winter Bird Walk

Join Bird Expert Rick Wiltraut, of Jacobsburg State Park and Waste Managements Adrienne Fors, for this walk around Grand Central Landfill's property in search of winter bird species. Meet at the Environmental Education Center, 891 Grand Central Road, Pen Argyl, PA on **Saturday, January 13th 12:00pm** and walk from there. Please remember to dress for the weather, comfortable hiking boots or snow boots and a hat are recommended. Bring binoculars or cameras and bottled water. The walk with venture through the warm season grasslands and closed landfill. In the event of inclement weather the event will be canceled via the Grand Central Environmental Education Center Facebook page. Registration is requested. Registration/ Questions please contact Adrienne Fors, Waste Management, Community Relations afors1@wm.com or call 585-472-2075. **\*Please note Grand Central Road is closed at Mack Road entrance. Please take Pen Argyl Road from town past the landfill. Make a right onto Delabole and then first right onto Grand Central Road. Go around Road Closed sign and watch for the Education sign on the right.**

## Slate Belt Heritage Center

The Slate Belt Heritage Center will hold their monthly historic presentation on **Sunday, January 14th at 2:00pm**. Speaker for the afternoon will be local historian, Pat Dewitsky whose topic will be: "The History of Cigar Manufacturing in the Slate Belt and State". It is a little known fact that there were many local cigar manufacturing plants in the area. Come hear this extremely interesting talk. The event is free and open to the public. The Heritage Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA. For additional information contact: Karen Brewer at 484-894-5661.

## American Legion Riders Post 927 Meeting

The American Legion Riders have their monthly meeting on **Sunday, January 14 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](http://www.ampost927.org) and Join us on Facebook



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10:00 AM-6:00 PM, SUNDAY 12:00-5:00 PM**

### PA Trappers Fur Auction

On **Saturday, January 20th** the Pennsylvania Trappers Association District 10 Live Bid Fur Auction at Stockertown Rod & Gun Club (205 Le Fevre Rd. Stockertown, PA 18083),. **Doors open at 8:00am, and auction starts at 9:00am.** Pennsylvania Trappers Association membership and furtaker's license required. For more information, contact: Bob Counterman 610-759-9203.

### Families First 8th Annual Benefit Snow Ball Dinner Dance

Families First will host their 8th Annual Snow Ball Dinner Dance on **Saturday, January 20th, from 6:00pm-11:00pm** at Weona Park Recreation Center, Pen Argyl, PA. All Proceeds help support Families First Free Programs. For Tickets Contact: Spring Shank, – Pen Argyl High School, Kate Marsteller, Wind Gap Middle School, Kelly Thomas Plainfield Elementary. For information contact: Frank Jones – 610-863-9095 Ext. 1387 or jones.frank@penargylsd.org.

### Slate Belt Heritage Center Calendar of Events for 2018

**Sunday, February 11th, 2:00pm** - "The History of Scouting" - Perry Morris will celebrate the founding of Boys Scouts and memories of "Camp Wygat".

**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.

**Thursday, April 12th, 7:00pm** - TBA

**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.

### Slate Belt Photography Club

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

### Borough of Roseto Opens Ice Skating Rink

When was the last time you went ice skating outside? The Borough of Roseto has recently purchased and set up an outdoor ice rink. It is located at the Roseto Ball Park. Skaters can access the rink through the main gate only off of Denisco Street. If the gate is closed ice rink is closed. The ice skating rink will be open to the general public **Friday from 5:00 - 8:00pm, Saturday we will open at 9:00am -12:00 noon for ice hockey and 12:00 noon - 5:00pm** for general skating. We will also open on **Sundays From 1:00 - 5:00pm.** Weather permitting we will be open every weekend. There is no cost to come skate, so sharpen your blades and join us for some old fashioned fun this winter.

### Slate Belt Heritage Center Preservation Award

The Slate Belt Heritage Center, located at 30 Forth 1st Street, Bangor, Pa, is pleased to announce that it is now accepting applications for its' "Annual Heritage Award". The purpose of the award is to acknowledge individuals who have performed exemplary acts that promote and preserve the culture and heritage of the Slate Belt. Candidates may be an individual or group and can be nominated by themselves or by another party.

There will be three (3) categories:

**1. Initiative Award:** Applicant who has performed exemplary actions in promoting and preserving the Slate Belt heritage through in-kind actions. This means acts that do not necessarily involve monetary donations but can be unpaid service for a preservation cause.

**2. Architectural Award:** Applicant who is saving or conserving a historic building, place or artifact where restoration is authentic to preservation.

**3. Special Focus Award:** Applicant who is saving or conserving tradition or a body of knowledge. That individual who contributes to educational information via exhibits, documentation, internet, archival, etc. Consideration is given to projects with:

1. A specific start and end date.
2. Whether the project meets Professionally accepted preservation and/or scholar standards.
3. Whether the project is considered "complete" with goals and how they were achieved.
4. Whether the project had a significant impact with before and after photographs for proof of information and/or proof that a historic piece would have been otherwise lost if the nominee had not completed the project.

Nominations will be accepted this fall and will be reviewed in January of each year. The awards will be presented at a special program in June. One prize will be awarded with the possibility of one per category depending on committee's review of candidates. Nominations should include a description of entry, photos (if applicable), and any pertinent documentation. The Heritage Center retains the right to exhibit and/or publish the application materials, including photographs. Applications for those not chosen will be held on file, indefinitely, for future consideration.

Interested parties may obtain an application at the Heritage Center (Sundays 1:00-3:00pm), at local municipal offices or by contacting Karen Brewer @ 610-588-8615. If calling, please leave an address to where applications can be mailed in addition to name and phone number. For additional information contact Karen Brewer.

### Blood Drive Event to be Held at Waste Management Pen Argyl

A Blood Drive Event will be held at Waste Management 910 W. Pennsylvania, Ave., Pen Argyl, on **February 16th, from 10:00am-3:00pm.** The Miller-Keystone Blood Center mobile will be on site. Interested Blood Donors can schedule a donation time donate at [https://donor.giveapint.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/40608](https://donor.giveapint.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/40608) or contact Adrienne Fors 585-472-2075.

### SBRPD Officers Receive Life Saving Awards

In December, 2017 Slate Belt Regional Police Department recognized two officers for life saving efforts.

The incident occurred on July 29th, 2017 in Pen Argyl Borough. Officers were dispatched to a home for a report of a 53-year old unconscious male. CPR was in progress. Officer Shannon Young and Sgt. Jonathon Hoadley responded and were met on scene by Look Out Fire Company personnel. Officer Young and Fire Chief Dean Parsons attached an AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) while Grant Parsons, continued CPR.



After the shock, Officer Young continued CPR until relieved by Sgt. Hoadley who continued CPR until the patient was moved to a Suburban EMS Ambulance.

Both officers received the Department's Life Saving Awards for their actions.

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### REACH OUT AND HELP SOMEONE!

#### Three Organizations Working Cooperatively to Help Children and Single Mothers in Monroe County

Sistah Chat Radio of Pocono 96.7, Pocono Alliance on behalf of the West End Food Bank, and the Women United Committee on behalf of the United Way of Monroe County have joined forces to "Reach Out and Help Someone!". Since their inception, Sistah Chat Radio's mission has been to inspire, enlighten and empower women to live healthier and more fulfilled lives. Deborah Cofer ("Mamma C") stated that Sistah Chat Radio became involved because "our goal is to help listeners, particularly women, grow on every level of their lives, personal, professional, emotionally, physically and spiritually through the provision of enlightening information that is sound and solid."

On Sunday, January 14th from 1:00pm to 4:00pm all three organizations will be hosting a donation drive for the below listed items at Pocono Alliance located at 912 Main Street, Stroudsburg, PA 18360. Upon arrival to the first floor of the building look for signs to the area where the collection is occurring. Light refreshments will also be served.

Pocono Alliance on behalf of the West End Food Bank is requesting donations for new or gently used children's coats along with gloves, hats and scarves for approximately 300 children have been identified that continue to be in need this winter. Boys and girls items are needed of all sizes. All items should be clean and in good condition.

The Women United Committee of United Way of Monroe County is requesting "Boxes of Valentines Love" for single mothers in the area. They are asking for a plastic box or shoe box filled with gift cards and items to pamper a single mother. Women United suggests items such as socks, hand warmers, scarves, gloves, hats, candy, lotion, soap, personal hygiene items, nail polish, make up, adult coloring books, journals, or puzzle books.

### 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.

### "BLESS THE BLUE" Program

Humble Hearts for Hope a local non profit 501C3 since 2011 in Plainfield Twp. has implemented a NEW program "BLESS THE BLUE". They are accepting monetary donations and Wegman's gift cards at this time. Monetary donations will be used to help injured police officers with unforeseen medical expenses and hardships. Donations can be mailed or dropped off to HHFH, 929 Browntown Road, Nazareth, PA 18064.

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## Bangor High School Performing Arts Schedule

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<p><b>March 15, 7:00</b></p> <p><b>April 13-15</b></p> <p><b>April 24, 7:30</b></p> <p><b>May 10, 7:30</b></p> <p><b>May 16, 7:30</b></p> <p><b>May 18, 7:30</b></p>	<p><b>Music in our Schools Concert</b> Various instrumental and choral ensembles</p> <p><b>Spring Musical "42nd Street"</b> Fri &amp; Sat 7:30, Sat &amp; Sun 2:00</p> <p><b>Broadway Night</b></p> <p><b>High School Choirs Spring Concert</b></p> <p><b>Middle and High School Jazz Bands</b></p> <p><b>High School Bands Concert</b> <a href="http://www.bahsbands.weebly.com">www.bahsbands.weebly.com</a></p>
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### Four Bangor Area High School Students Accepted into the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 10 Band.

Four Bangor Area High School students were accepted into the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 10 Band.

Selected students are Shanae Woods (Bass Clarinet), Corinthia Banks (Contra-alto Clarinet), Benjamin Crane (Trombone), and Taryn Geiger (Baritone). They were among hundreds of students who auditioned from schools in the counties of Berks, Carbon, Lehigh, Monroe, Northampton, Pike, and Schuylkill.

The students will be traveling to Easton Area High School in Easton, PA to participate in the festival Jan. 3 through Jan. 5. While there, they will work under the direction of guest conductor Dr. Peter Boonshaft, Professor of Music of Hofstra University.

Dr. Boonshaft, called one of the most exciting and exhilarating voices in music education today. He has been invited to speak or conduct in every state in the nation and around the world. Honored by the National Association for Music Education and Music For All as the first recipient of the "George M. Parks Award for Leadership in Music Education". His honors also include being selected three times as a National Endowment for the Arts "Artist in Residence," three times awarded Honorary Life Membership in the Tri-M Music Honor Society, and being selected for the Center for Scholarly Research and Academic Excellence at Hofstra University.

Prior to this appointment at Hofstra, Dr. Boonshaft was on the faculty of Moravian College and the University of Hartford. He was Founder and Music Director of the Pennsylvania Youth Honors Concert Band and the Connecticut Valley Youth Wind Ensemble.

Dr. Boonshaft is the author of many critically acclaimed best-selling books on music education. He is extremely active as a guest conductor, clinician and speaker for conferences, festivals, concerts and workshops nationally and internationally.

The students will also be auditioning for the Region V Band.



Students in picture (L to R): Shanae Woods (Bass Clarinet), Taryn Geiger (Baritone), Corinthia Banks (Contra-alto Clarinet), Benjamin Crane (Trombone),

### Abigail Lucas Accepted into the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 10 Orchestra



Bangor Area High School student Abigail Lucas (Piccolo) was accepted into the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 10 Orchestra. She will travel to Fleetwood High School in Fleetwood, PA to participate in the festival February 7 through 9. A concert open to the public will be held **Friday February 9 at 7:00pm**. While there, she will work under the direction of guest conductor, Kenneth Jernigan, B.M. Aaron Copland School of Music at Queens College, N.Y., M.Mus. Ed. Lehman College, N.Y.

Mr. Jernigan teaches in the Hastings-on-Hudson, N.Y. UFSD where he serves as the conductor of the local and national award-winning High School Orchestra, Band and Jazz Ensemble, the Eighth and Seventh Grade Orchestra and Band. He is also director of the district chamber music program. From 1986 to 1999 he was the music director and conductor of the Camerata Chamber Orchestra of Long Island and twice toured Europe with this ensemble. He has guest conducted numerous county, district, regional and all-state festivals on all levels throughout the Northeast and Florida. As a professional double bassist, Mr. Jernigan is in demand as a freelance musician and has held the principal chairs of the Westchester Symphony, Queens Orchestral Society and is currently principal of the Allegro Chamber Orchestra of New York which has made several European tours. Mr. Jernigan has held master classes and clinics on a variety of string and wind performance techniques including a workshop on orchestral bowing techniques in 2005 at the New York All-State Conference in Rochester, N.Y.

During the summer, Mr. Jernigan can be found at the Performing Arts Institute (PAI) at Wyoming Seminary College Preparatory School in Kingston, Pennsylvania where he and his wife are co-directors of the Junior Division Program.

Since the summer of 2011, Mr. Jernigan has been a guest conductor of the Symphony and Chamber Orchestras as well as coaching chamber music at the Eastern U.S. Music Camp at Colgate University, N.Y.

Abigail will be auditioning for the Northeast Region Orchestra.

### Blue Mountain Community Library

The Blue Mountain Community Library would like to thank everyone who participated in the Christmas Tree Fundraiser this past December. Your donations will help the library to meet its needs and purchase new books in 2018.

Are you looking for a gift idea for a book lover or want to add to your book collection? On

**Thursday, Jan. 11, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm, Friday, Jan. 12 and Saturday, Jan. 13, from 10:00 am -12:00 pm**, the Blue

Mountain Community Library is having a Semi-Annual Book Nook Sale in the Book Nook, located on the 2nd floor of the library. All items will be half-price for those two days. Please come and purchase gently used Books, CDs, DVDs and Puzzles. The library is located at 216 S. Robinson Ave. in Pen Argyl. Hours are M-Sa, 10:00 am to Noon, and M-Th, 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Call Lisa at 610-863-3029 for information or visit the website is [www.bmcl.org](http://www.bmcl.org). Find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/bmclpenargyl](http://www.facebook.com/bmclpenargyl).



The Blue Mountain Community Library Book Nook, located on the second floor of the library at 216 S. Robinson Ave. in Pen Argyl.

### Emrick Opens New Slate Belt District Office

State Rep. Joe Emrick (R-Nazareth) and his staff rang in 2018 by opening a new Slate Belt district office at 447 Blue Valley Drive, Bangor, next to the Capitol Plaza. "Our first and foremost goal is to serve residents of the 137th Legislative District in the most efficient and effective manner possible," Emrick said. "This new Slate Belt office location is being opened with you, the constituent, in mind."

According to Emrick, there are a number of reasons for relocating from the current location in the Mt. Bethel Plaza.

"Protecting constituents' privacy has long been a serious concern at our current location," he said. "That will not be the case at the Blue Valley Drive office."

"The new office is compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act and offers plenty of parking, as well as a conference room that can accommodate both large and small group meetings."

Also making the new location more attractive is a higher volume of traffic on this portion of Route 512, making it more accessible to a greater number of people.

"While we are changing office locations, there will be NO change in the level of quality and personal service we deliver to the taxpayers for whom we work," he added. "We look forward to continuing to serve residents of the Slate Belt."

Questions about this or any legislative issue should be directed to Emrick's district office at (610) 746-5090 or (570) 897-0401.



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\*Next presentation: **February 5th at 6:00 pm** Steve Reider will present "Slate Belt Rising and How the Program Benefits the Community"

### My Brother's Keepers

The organization know as My Brother's Keepers who make Sleeping Bags for the Homeless are now accepting blankets, sheets, drapes, pillowcases, towels and they always need men's neck ties and yarn. Please drop off at: Hope UCC, 701 Cherry St., Wind Gap, Pa. on **Wednesdays 9:00am-3:00pm**

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### Trever Weidman Wins Bangor Area Middle School National Geographic Bee!

#### Moves One Step Closer to \$50,000 College Scholarship

On December, 21, 2017, Trever Weidman, an eighth grade student at Bangor Area Middle School, won the school competition of the National Geographic Bee on December 21 and a chance at a \$50,000 college scholarship. The school Bee, at which students answered questions on geography, was the first round in the 29th annual National Geographic Bee. Lilliana Priestaf, also in eighth grade, placed second.



Trever Weidman and Sandi Miller - Geobee Coordinator.

Thousands of schools around the United States and in the five U.S. territories are participating in the 2018 National Geographic Bee. The school champions, including Trever, will take a qualifying test; up to 100 of the top scorers on that test in each state will then be eligible to compete in their state Bee on April 6, 2018.

The National Geographic Society will provide an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C., for state winners to participate in the Bee national championship rounds May 20-23, 2018. The firstplace national champion will receive a \$50,000 college scholarship, a lifetime membership in the Society including a subscription to National Geographic magazine, and a trip to the Galápagos Islands, courtesy of Lindblad Expeditions and National Geographic.

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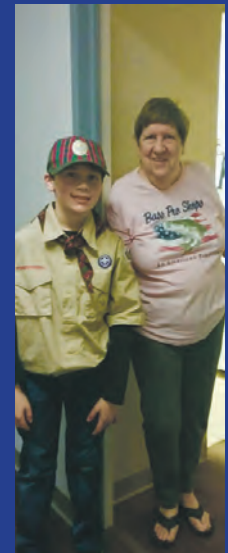
Trever Weidman, Sandi Miller, and Lilliana Priestaf.

### Cub Pack 41 Spreads Christmas Cheer

Cub Pack 41 Prince of Peace Church handed out Christmas cards and hand made ornaments to the residents at Bangor High Rise on December 20, 2017.



Pictured Cub Scouts Anthony Dotta, Samuel Kasebier, and Alec Ludwig with a resident.



### Spotted Lanternfly Public Meeting

The Spotted Lanternfly is an extremely invasive insect that affects gardens and landscape plants as well as important Pennsylvania commodities. This past fall, the quarantine for Spotted Lanternfly expanded to include thirteen counties in southeastern Pennsylvania. Penn State Extension is offering a class for interested individuals to provide the latest information regarding control of the Spotted Lanternfly and what the public can do to help. The event will be held at the Berks County Agricultural Center Auditorium, 1238 County Welfare, Leesport, PA 19533 on **Thursday, January 25, 9:30am to 3:00pm.**

This event is available to all members of the public and will include updates from Penn State Extension, the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, and Berks County Conservation District. This event is open to anyone interested in learning more about the Spotted Lanternfly regardless of home county and quarantine. Bring your questions and join us for discussions on the current status of this invasive insect, information on the quarantine, preparation for insect control in the 2018 season, and how individuals and communities can help stop the spread of this insect. Lunch and handouts are included.

There is no cost for this event; however, seating is limited and pre-registration is required by January 18, 2018. Register online by going to this site: <https://extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly-public-meeting> If you cannot register online, please call for assistance at 1-877-345-0691 Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Questions regarding the January 25, 2018 event can be directed to Amy Korman at [amk6396@psu.edu](mailto:amk6396@psu.edu) by phone at 610-813-6613.

Penn State encourages people with disabilities to participate in its programs and activities. If you anticipate needing any type of accommodation or have questions about the physical access provided, call the Northampton County Extension office at 610-813-6613.

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### Portland Lodge #311 F&AM

Patrick J. Howarth, Jr., of Bangor, has been elected as Worshipful Master of Portland Lodge #311, F&AM, during the Lodge's annual election meeting held on December 14. As the elected head of the lodge, he will preside during all of 2018, the lodge's 162nd year of organization. This will be his third term as Worshipful Master, having previously served in 2012 and 2014. He succeeds Stephen M. Ahner, of Bangor, who was elected as the Lodge's Secretary.

Howarth is a graduate of Bangor Area High School and the Career Institute of Technology, specializing in machine tool technology. He has also studied motorcycle and ATV technology. He is employed by Smith Wilbert Vault Company of Bangor. He and his wife Julie are the parents of three children: Gaven, Katelynn and Cameron.

Masonically, Howarth has been a member of Portland Lodge since 2007, and is a 32nd degree Mason in Lehigh Consistory, Valley of Allentown, where he takes an active role in the ritual presentations during its semi-annual reunions. He also provides active support for the Valley of Allentown's Children's Dyslexia Center, which provides reading remediation.

Elected as Senior Warden was Bradley R. Johnson, of Effort, with Dean A. Constable, of Bangor, being elected as Junior Warden. Walter C. Emery, of Portland, was re-elected as Treasurer. Re-elected as Trustees were: John M. Bach of Mt. Bethel, and Jody C. Pysher and Craig Hughes of Bangor. Carl J. Palmeri, II, of Roseto, was elected as Representative to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, with Gilbert F. Walter, of Stroudsburg, elected as Substitute Representative. All officers will begin their terms on St. John's Day, December 27th.

Portland Lodge takes an active part in the Slate Belt community, sponsoring the annual Masonic Motorama at the Plainfield Farmers Grove, which this year donated funds to Slate Belt Family Network in the Bangor Area School District and Families First in the Pen Argyl Area School District.

In addition, Portland Lodge sponsors the Slate Belt Toys for Tots event, held this year on December 2nd at the Plainfield Township Fire Hall on Sullivan Trail in Wind Gap. The lodge also continues its tradition of remembering the widows of deceased members with poinsettias each Christmas season. The lodge also makes donations to local Eagle Scout projects as well as presents scholarship awards to graduating seniors at Bangor Area High School. Not surprisingly, Freemasonry has been called "the world's greatest philanthropy" for its contributions to charitable causes.

The Lodge's annual St. John's Day Dinner will be held on Wednesday evening, December 27, 2017, at 6:30 pm, at the Broadway Pub, on the corner of Broadway and 1st Street in Bangor. All members of the Lodge and their guests are invited to attend; there will be a charge for guests but no charge for members. RSVP should be made to Stephen Ahner or Carl Palmeri by December 22nd.

With approximately 250 members, Portland Lodge is the oldest of eight lodges in the 50th Masonic District, comprising Monroe County and northern Northampton County, and is one of over 475 lodges in Pennsylvania.

Portland Lodge's first stated meeting of 2018 will be held Thursday, January 11, at 7:30 pm, when the appointed officers and monthly programs for the year will be announced. Following the lodge meeting, the annual meeting of the Masonic Hall Association will be held.

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### Scavello Announces Community Conservation Partnerships Program Grant Awards in the 40th Senate District

Six recipients represented in the 40th Senate District have been awarded state grants by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR), according to Senator Mario Scavello (R-40), who said the funding will enable the counties, local governments, and other conservation-related organizations to fulfill planning, acquisition and development of parks, recreation, conservation and greenway projects for the benefit of the communities and those area residents.

Scavello said that Community Conservation Partnerships Program Grants (CCPP), administered by DCNR, includes Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation Fund (Key 93), the Environmental Stewardship Fund (Growing Greener I) and several federal funding sources.

Organizations in the 40th district that received grants include:

**MONROE COUNTY** - Chestnuthill Township – toward acquisition of approximately 60 acres for an addition to the Big Woods Natural Area and passive recreation.

Smithfield Township -- for rehabilitation and further development of Marshalls Falls Park. Work to include renovation of pedestrian/golf cart bridge; construction of pedestrian walkways, boardwalks, pedestrian bridges, scenic overlook and parking area; installation of signage; ADA access, landscaping, project sign and other related site improvements.

The Nature Conservancy -- toward acquisition of approximately 123 acres in Stroud Township for open space protection and passive recreation.

**Northampton County** - For development of the NorBath Trail in Northampton Borough, Allen Township and East Allen Township. Work to include the rehabilitation of approximately 4.8 miles of trail from Clear Springs Drive in Northampton Borough to Jacksonville Park in East Allen Township, three bridges, and a trailhead; ADA access, landscaping, project sign and other related improvements.

**Lower Mount Bethel Township** - toward acquisition of approximately 173 acres located along the Delaware River for open space protection and passive recreation.

**Washington Township** - for further development of Washington Township Recreation Complex. Work to include construction of basketball and pickleball courts, nature play area, pump park, gaga ball pit, observation deck, dog park, disc golf course, parking area, pedestrian walkways and stormwater management measures; installation of nature play equipment and fitness equipment; ADA access, landscaping, project sign and other related improvements.

"I am very proud to support this grant program, which provides vital funding for parks and conservation related efforts and offers residents a chance to experience the outdoors and spend time with family and friends," Scavello said. "The funding is vital to many of their budgets and the great work they do every day."



# Birth Announcements

## TRIPP DANIEL CUIVELLO

Tripp Daniel CuvIELLO was born on November 21, 2017 at 11:08 p.m. at Lehigh Valley Hospital Muhlenberg.

He weighed 7 lbs 9 oz, and was 20 inches long. Parents are Jesse and Grace CuvIELLO. Grandparents are: Maternal Grandparents: Keith and Hope Horn and Paternal Grandparents Daniel and Shari CuvIELLO, Maternal Great Grandparents: Russell and Marilyn Horn & John and Joan DeBoer and Paternal Great Grandparents: Gene and Lorena Smith




## Four Generations



Pictured L-R Mackenna Cole, Mandy Cole, Darlene Mowrey, and Edith Hill.

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## Miller-Keystone Blood Center Announces January Blood Drive Dates

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- Fri 1/12 7am-11am** Hazle Township Commons  
103 W. 27th St, Hazle Township, Call 800.223.6667
  - Sat 1/13 8:30am-2:30pm** Advance Auto Parts  
77 Blakeslee Blvd, Lehighon, Call 800.223.6667
  - Tues 1/16 2:30pm-7pm** Mount Bethel Volunteer Fire Company  
2341 N. Delaware Avenue, Mount Bethel, Call 570.449.5586
  - Wed 1/17 12pm-6pm** Western Pocono Community Library  
131 Pilgrim Way, Brodheadsville, Call 800.223.6667
  - 9am-3pm** St Luke's Miners Memorial Hospital  
360 W Ruddle Street, Coaldale, Call 570.645.8271
  - 11:30am-6:30pm** Palmerton Community West End Fire  
Company, 855 Princeton Avenue, Palmerton, Call 484.274.2080
  - Thurs 1/18 2pm-6pm** Gnadon Huetten Memorial Hospital  
211 N. 12th Street, Lehighon, Call 610.377.7350
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556 Samuels Avenue, Hazleton, Call 570.455.7461
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  - Fri 1/26 1:30pm-5:30pm** Hazle Township Commons  
103 W. 27th Street, Hazle Township, Call 800.223.6667
  - Sat 1/27 9am-2pm** In Honor of Logan Snyder, Cherry Lane United  
Methodist Church, 4326 Cherry Lane Church Road, Tannersville  
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  - 9am-1pm** Slate Belt – Nazareth Baptist Church  
1620 Church Road, Pen Argyl, Call 570.449.5586
- For more information on upcoming events and promotions at Miller-Keystone Blood Center, or to register for any MKBC blood drive, visit [GIVEaPINT.org](http://GIVEaPINT.org). For information on upcoming events and promotions at Miller-Keystone Blood Center, or to register for any MKBC blood drive, visit [GIVEaPINT.org](http://GIVEaPINT.org).



### A New Year, A New You?

By Kathleen McFall

There's a sense of mystery and excitement at the start of a new year. Many of us are thinking of what we hope the New Year will bring - new ideas, fresh starts and turning points.

We resolve to improve our health, our finances, our relationships - to become better versions of ourselves.

However, it takes more than an abstract January 1st declaration. We need to first motivate ourselves from within. We can start the New Year with a new attitude - a positive belief in who we are and who we can be.

Having faith in ourselves is essential to success. When we take on a large task, we need to have confidence that, if we seriously commit to it and put all our energy and talent into it, we'll be able to accomplish it. On the other hand, if we doubt our abilities, we will prove ourselves right when we fail.

Trust, reliance, confidence, and conviction, are the key ingredients to having faith in ourselves.

On a secular level, faith is a willingness to move forward in the absence of an ironclad guarantee, a willingness to hang on to the big picture in the face of small failures and setbacks, a willingness to persevere during difficult times.

Henry Ford said "Whether you think you can or whether you think you can't - you are right." George Michael sings: "You gotta have faith."

Whether spiritual or secular, faith is the antidote to fear. They both require that we believe in something we cannot see. It is our choice to make. Fear cannot exist where faith is present.

Life is full of wonderful moments, but the one that matters most is the one in front of us.

Sometimes we are unprepared for the moment before us because we are stuck in the moment behind us.

We need to let go of the past, forget our disappointments, and forgive those who have hurt us. We were not designed to walk backwards but to look forward to the future, to think positively.

If we get stuck in a moment, we need to turn around. There is an adventure that awaits us, an opportunity to explore and even create a future. Our choices chart our course and direct our journey.

The power of faith and not fear is that no matter what kind of life we have lived or how many wrong choices we have made, there is another moment waiting to change our path and determine a new destination.

For those of us who focus on the spiritual aspect of faith, the Bible points to more than 300 references telling us not to fear, but to have faith.

Moments in time come and go, but the choices we make continue to shape us. Haven't most of us wondered at some point if there is more to life than our current experience?

None of us is perfect, but if we work hard at eliminating our fears and building our faith (secular or spiritual), we will enjoy a better life.

Faith in ourselves can help turn our dreams into reality and help us move forward and live the life we want.

Our legacy isn't found in money, a large house, expensive cars or jewelry. The greatest gift we leave is the gift of ourselves. Let us find and pursue our purpose in life.

**Have a happy, healthy, and amazing New Year!**



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## Bangor Elks Lodge #1106 Annual Christmas Party for Slate Belt Families



### Bangor Elks Lodge Makes Christmas Brighter for Slate Belt Families

In December, 2017 members of Bangor Lodge #1106 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks were busy helping to make Christmas a little easier for over 60 Slate Belt families. On Saturday December 16, 2017, the lodge held its annual Christmas Party for children and families of the Slate Belt. A complete luncheon was served to over 80 people and Santa made a visit to the lodge to distribute presents to the children. Each family present also received a large bag of food and household goods to take home and use during the holiday season. Lodge Secretary and organizer Laura McLain along with Elks Lodge volunteers purchased the food and presents and cooked and served the meal for the families. The annual event is funded by the members of Bangor Lodge and the Elks National Foundation.

On December 23, 2017 the lodge also distributed 40 food baskets to area families. Each basket contained a complete Christmas Dinner including turkey, potatoes, vegetables, bread, milk, eggs, and more. Organizer Past Exalted Ruler Todd McLain gathered Elks in force to purchase, assemble, and distribute the food baskets. In his remarks to members, McLain said of the Bangor Elks "This is what we do" referencing the Bangor Lodge's continued commitment to it's community and the less fortunate. All donations for this event, were made by lodge members and the Elks National Foundation.

Exalted Ruler John Neetz states proudly that "the members of Bangor Lodge have been serving the communities of the Slate Belt for many years and will continue to do so. The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks encourages all of the over 1900 lodges to contribute to their communities and Bangor Lodge is no exception. Throughout the year the Bangor Lodge assists with it's Drug Awareness Program, the annual Halloween parade, a summer backpack food program, and veterans programs. We are happy and proud to also be able to assist and to have these events for the less than fortunate of the Slate Belt."



## Slate Belt YMCA Open House

The Slate Belt YMCA held a Preview week, January 2nd-6th, with an Open House on January 6th, offering tours of the facility and free classes. They also celebrated their 3rd Anniversary. For more information about the Slate Belt YMCA or to join, stop by the YMCA located at 315 W Pennsylvania Ave., Pen Argyl, PA., or call (610) 881-4470.



Pictured L-R YMCA Staff, Tiffany Kresge, Patti Miller, Jen DeLong, Lisa Fogel and Terri Koch



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**Broccoli Cheddar Chicken Soup**

**INGREDIENTS:**

- 2 lbs. cooked and shredded chicken
- 2 bags frozen broccoli
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1 cup milk
- 4 cups Sharp cheddar cheese shredded
- 1/2 cup Parmesan cheese
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 8 cups chicken broth
- 1 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 1/2 tsp. garlic powder
- 1 tsp. black pepper
- 1/2 tsp. cayenne pepper



**DIRECTIONS:**


1. In a frying pan, saute' the onions and garlic over medium-heat until the onions become soft.


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2. Reduce the heat and add the butter and flour to the onion and garlic and simmer until the mixture becomes brown.
3. Transfer the mixture from the frying pan into a deep soup pot and add the chicken broth. Stir frequently to reduce lumps in the mixture.
4. Add in the garlic powder, broccoli, chicken, salt, cayenne pepper, black pepper to the pot and allow to simmer for 40 minutes. Stir frequently to prevent sticking to the bottom of the pan.
5. Just before serving, add in the cheese and milk and stir well.
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- 1 3/4 cups whole wheat flour


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1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit. Line a cookie sheet with parchment paper.
2. In a large bowl, stir together pumpkin and peanut butter. Stir in the flour 1/4 cup at a time just until dough is no l
3. Roll the dough out between two sheets of parchment paper to 1/4" thick. Use a cookie cutter to cut out the dough, then place on the prepared pan.
4. Bake at 350 degrees Fahrenheit for 8-10 minutes. Let cool completely. Store in an airtight container or freeze for up to 3 months.

**ADOPT US - HARLOW & KIDDO**



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**KIDDO** Kiddo is no kid, although he was somebody's baby once. Sadly he was brought to the shelter by his beloved Mommy who had to make a difficult, but necessary choice to give him a better life. You can tell this sweet boy was loved, and he is ready to love again. A friend to other cats, you will find The Kid in our free roaming cat snoozing and playing the day away. But baby boy knows in his heart that something is missing. As he gazes out the glass door of the free-roaming cat room he is trying his best to catch a glimpse of the family meant just for him. He's all dressed up in his tuxedo, waiting just for you. Kiddo is 2.5 years old, neutered, micro-chipped and up to date on vaccines. Won't you please come meet Kiddo, today?

The AWSOM Animal Shelter is located at 3129 Godfrey Ridge Drive, Stroudsburg, PA 18360. Adoptions hours are 11AM to 4PM, 7 days a week. Volunteer opportunities are always available. Stop in or call 570-421-DOGS for more information.

The AWSOM Animal Wellness Center is open Monday thru Friday for all your basic veterinary needs. Check out our low-cost veterinary services, including spay and neutering, vaccinations, dental care and more. Call 570-424-1060 for more information or to make an appointment.

Visit our website at [AwsomAnimals.org](http://AwsomAnimals.org)  
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### Familiarization by Robert L. Martin

Man and animal are not so different. The law of the jungle is ingrained in their soul. Animals of inferior strength are consumed by the superior ones. Until they share the same pasture, due to their familiarization, they will always remain enemies.

Man of inferior power is enslaved by the superior one. One of the other kind is the enemy. The lesser known about him fortifies the boundary between them and increases the hatred. Through hatred, man is only an object. Objects are impersonal.

Man of a different stature and color is always misunderstood, estranged, and degraded; therefore, he becomes his superior. Through reasoning and intimacy, he can see himself through that stranger. His ingrained, animalistic prejudices will gradually subside, and his heart will open up to him in time. It is his moral duty to make that happen. Since the power of love is so domineering, the duty becomes congenial. To become familiarized with that stranger is to realize that his enemy is just like him.

From then on, Dr. Martin Luther King's dream of unification and harmony will be fulfilled.

## CREATIVE CORNER

This photo "A Rustic Christmas" was submitted by Kim Derrick.



### New in the Bangor Public Library

**Adult Non Fiction:** Cupcakes, Cookies and Pie, Oh, My!; Hello, Cupcake!: Irresistibly Playful Creations Anyone Can Make; Hello, Cupcake What's New by Karen Tack.



**Adult Fiction:** Some Kind Of Hero by Susan Brockmann; Robicheaux by James Lee Burke; The Wanted by Robert Crais; Death at Nuremberg by WEB Griffin; Promise Not to Tell by Jayne Ann Krentz; Right Where We Belong by Brenda Novak; The Bomb Maker by Thomas Perry; In the Shadow of Denali; Out of the Ashes by Tracie Peterson; All Is Bright; Because It's Christmas by Katherine Spencer; Unbound by Stuart Woods.

**Young Adult Non Fiction:** Grimm's Complete Fairy Tales by Jacob Grimm.

**Young Adult Fiction:** Mad Hatters and March Hares: All-New Stories from the World of Lewis Carroll's Alice in Wonderland; Going Wild by Lisa McMann.

"Take the First Step in Faith."

~ Martin Luther King, Jr.

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### Assistive Technology Tools to improve the everyday

(Family Features) Most Americans want to stay in their homes as they age. Not a bad plan, but what if your home doesn't fit you as well as it once did?

Often, aging can be accompanied by a change in your ability to manage and move around in your home. That's where assistive technology - better known as AT - comes in. No matter your age or what type of disability you may have, chances are there is an AT device out there that can help you with everyday tasks.

AT isn't a new concept. In fact, most people have probably used an assistive device without realizing it. Smartphones, voice command technology and certain types of software all fall under the AT umbrella. AT also includes plenty of low-tech devices, like adapted pencil grips for students with disabilities.

There's an ever-growing variety of AT tools available to help with household chores, work functions, getting around, seeing, hearing, learning and living independently in general. These devices and technologies are designed to help older adults and people with disabilities, but you may find that these tools can make life easier for anyone.

#### Examples of AT devices and tools include:

- \* Hearing aids
- \* Vehicle modifications, such as hand controls or wheelchair lifts
- \* Devices that help with bathing and eating
- \* Software modifications for those with hearing and visual challenges
- \* Equipment, such as grab bars in a shower, to help prevent falls
- \* Eye glasses and magnification devices to help individuals with low vision
- \* Communication devices for individuals with speech disabilities
- \* Wheelchairs, walkers and other mobility devices

#### The right AT for you

At first, trying to find the right AT tools and solutions can feel overwhelming. The network of State Assistive Technology Act Programs is a good place to start. Your state AT Act program can provide information and support to help you identify and acquire AT that meets your needs.

#### These programs offer:

- \* Device demonstration and short-term loan programs that allow you to try out equipment before purchasing
- \* Reuse programs that provide gently used devices at substantial savings
- \* Financing options, such as cash loan programs, that can help you get the AT devices you need

You can find the AT Act Program in your state or territory at [acl.gov/AT](http://acl.gov/AT). You'll also find additional information on state AT programs, data about the network of state AT programs and additional resources to help you find and obtain AT that fits your needs.

With more research and awareness around the importance of AT, the future possibilities for living independently in the place of your choosing are almost limitless. Source: Administration for Community Living



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### Emrick to Continue Veterans Outreach Program in 2018

Veterans who have specific, individual questions will again have an opportunity to have them answered in 2018 through the office of State Rep. Joe Emrick (R-Nazareth).

"We enjoy providing this service to the men and women who serve and have served our country," Emrick said. "This is also a great chance for them to obtain information on programs they may not be aware of that are available to them."

Lt. Col. Retired Dominick Nati, an Army Air Corp pilot who has flown missions out of Fort Indiantown Gap, will be visiting Emrick's Nazareth district office the first Monday of every month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to meet one-on-one with veterans. The office is located in the Nazareth borough office building at 134 S. Main St.

"My staff and I are looking forward to 2018 at the new Slate Belt district office located at 447 Blue Valley Drive, Bangor, next to the Capitol Plaza," he said.

### 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

**Wednesdays:** Bible Study 10:00am

Mexican Train /LCR 10:00am

"All Hands on Deck" 12:30pm

**Thursday:** Wii Bowling

Scrapbooking

Art /Pam

**Friday:** League Shuffleboard 10:00am

Bingo 12:30pm

#### SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:

1/15 MLK Jr Center Closed

1/16 Concentration

Birthday Bingo

1/23 Movie Day

"Alone In the Wilderness"

Debbie's Bingo

1/25 Art w/Pam

1/30 Winter Blues Party & Games

**Warning: Playing Bingo may make you Ugly!**

### 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

**Morning Stretch** - Mondays, 10:00am

**AEA Exercise** - Mondays and Thursdays, 9:00am

**Bonus Bingo** - Tuesdays, and Fridays, 10:00am

**Penny Bingo** - Wednesday, 10:00am

#### SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:

**1/15 - MARTIN LUTHER KING - CLOSED**

1/16 - 10:00 Birthday Bingo

1/18 - 10:00 Pokemo

1/25 - 10:00 Duck Races

1/25 - 12:00 Arts & Crafts

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

If you would like to add a name of a loved one, friend or neighbor to the prayer list please send their name to:

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**Attn: Prayer list or email us at [thebeltandbeyond@gmail.com](mailto:thebeltandbeyond@gmail.com)**

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**Slate Belt Senior Center**

On December 22nd, 2017 seniors at the Slate Belt Senior Center celebrated Christmas by playing games, enjoying a catered dinner and danced to the music of Bill Reese. Shown are seniors participating in the "Fill Your Stocking" game.

Photo submitted by Marcia Schiavone



**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.**

**Porker**, Mon-Friday, 9:30-11:00 AM

**Zumba Gold**, Tuesdays, 10:00 AM

**Arthritis Class**, Tuesday, Jan. 9, 23,30 and Thursday, Jan. 11, 18, , 12:15 PM.

**Brush Away with Senior Artists**, Wednesdays, 9:00-11:00 AM

**Exercise**, Wednesdays 10:00 AM

**Afternoon with the Arts**, Thursdays, 12:15 PM

**Win Bowling League**, Thursdays, 9:30 AM

**2 Massage**, Thursdays, Jan 4, 18, 12:15 PM

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**JANUARY EVENTS**

**Sundae's on Friday**, Friday, January 12, 12:15 PM

**CLOSED, MONDAY, JANUARY 15, MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY**

**Baseball and Popcorn Day**, Friday, January 19, 10:00 AM

**Council Meeting**, Thursday, January 25, 9:00 AM

**Winter Blues Bingo**, Friday, January, 26, 9:30 AM

**ENTERTAINER, DEBI WAHI**, Friday, January 26, 12:15 PM.

**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.

**AARP Palmer Township Area Chapter 2144 Monthly Meeting**

The AARP Palmer Township area chapter will meet on **February 5th, at 1:00pm** at the Wilson Borough Community Center, 2200 Liberty St., Easton, PA. Guest Speaker: Kevin Korowicki from Human Touch Center for Animal Health and Welfare. Come early and meet with friends for lunch 11:30 am, (bring a bagged lunch) All are invited and welcome to join.



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**BINGO**

**January 11 & 18**  
**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**

**January 12 & 19**  
**Wind Gap Fire Company**  
 Doors open at **5:00 PM** • Bingo starts **6:45 PM**

**January 13 & 20**  
**Bangor VFW**  
 Doors open at **3:30 PM** • Bingo starts at **6:00 PM**

**January 14 & 21**  
**Immaculate Conception**  
 Doors open at **11:00 AM** • Bingo starts at **1:00 PM**

**January 16 & 23**  
**Portland Hook & Ladder Co. #1**  
 State Street, Portland **7:00 PM**

**Klecknersville Rangers Vol. Fire Co.**  
 2718 Mountain View Drive, Moore Township  
 Doors open at **5:00 PM** • Bingo starts at **7:00 PM**

**January 17 & 24**  
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### SLATE BELT MEN'S QUIT LEAGUE

January 4, 2018

Roseto Legion 32 Second Ward Fire Co. 24 – Bob Vargo, Jr. 10-4, Woody Ivins 10-4  
 Oxford Fire Co. won by forfeit over Roseto Rod & Gun Club  
 O'Neill's Place 44 Liberty Fire Co. 12 – Justin Wagner 14-0, Ryan Hunt 13-1  
 Pen Argyl Legion 34 Rescue Fire Co. 22 – Clyde Bellis 12-2, Brookes Kromer 11-3; Rob  
 George 9-5, Mike Vedral 7-7  
 Bangor Jax 40 Columbia Fire Co. 16 – Jim Hughes 14-0, Rob Tiburzi 13-1, Hilton Strunk  
 11-3  
 Hillside Rod & Gun Club 38 Bangor VFW 18 – Brandon Malachowski 11-3, John Hartzell  
 10-4, Phil Ascani 10-4, Chuck Klinge 10-4  
 Bangor Elks 40 East Bangor Fire Co. 16 – Ryan Kreider 13-1, A.J. Gilliland 12-2

#### 2017-2018 SBMQL SECOND HALF STANDINGS

**Division 1** – Hillside Rod & Gun Club 4-0, Bangor Elks 4-0, Oxford Fire Co. 4-0, Pen Argyl  
 Legion 4-0, Roseto Legion 4-0, O'Neill's Place 3-1, Bangor Jax 2-2  
**Division 2** – Bangor VFW 2-2, East Bangor Fire Co. 1-3, Second Ward Fire Co. 0-4, Rescue  
 Fire Co. 0-4, Liberty Fire Co. 0-4, Roseto Rod & Gun Club 0-4, Columbia Fire Co. 0-4

December 28, 2017

Roseto Legion 29 Bangor VFW 27 – Bob Vargo, Jr. 11-3, Brian Miller  
 9-5, Eric Porter 9-5; Jeff LaBar 12-2  
 Bangor Elks 46 Rescue Fire Co. 10 – Chad Kreider 13-1, A.J. Gilliland 13-1, Wayne Hill  
 13-1  
 Oxford Fire Co. 37 Second Ward Fire Co. 19 – Gary Fagan 12-2, Jeff Lindsay 11-3  
 Bangor Jax 37 Liberty Fire Co. 19 – Jim Hughes 12-2, Rob Tiburzi 11-3, Jon Owens 10-4  
 Pen Argyl Legion won by forfeit over East Bangor Fire Co.  
 O'Neill's Place 47 Roseto Rod & Gun Club 9 – Justin Wagner 14-0  
 \* Note : Ryan Hunt threw a four-timer over Jim Yeisley \*  
 Hillside Rod & Gun Club won by forfeit over Columbia Fire Co.

#### 2017-2018 SBMQL SECOND HALF STANDINGS

**Division 1** – Hillside Rod & Gun Club 3-0, Bangor Elks 3-0, Oxford Fire Co. 3-0, Pen Argyl  
 Legion 3-0, Roseto Legion 3-0, O'Neill's Place 2-1, Bangor Jax 1-2  
**Division 2** – Bangor VFW 2-1, East Bangor Fire Co. 1-2, Second Ward Fire Co. 0-3, Rescue  
 Fire Co. 0-3, Liberty Fire Co. 0-3, Roseto Rod & Gun Club 0-3, Columbia Fire Co. 0-3

### SLATE BELT MEN'S QUIT LEAGUE

December 21, 2017

Roseto Legion 37 Rescue Fire Co. 19 – Eric Porter 11-3, Tom J. Amy 11-3; Rob George 8-6

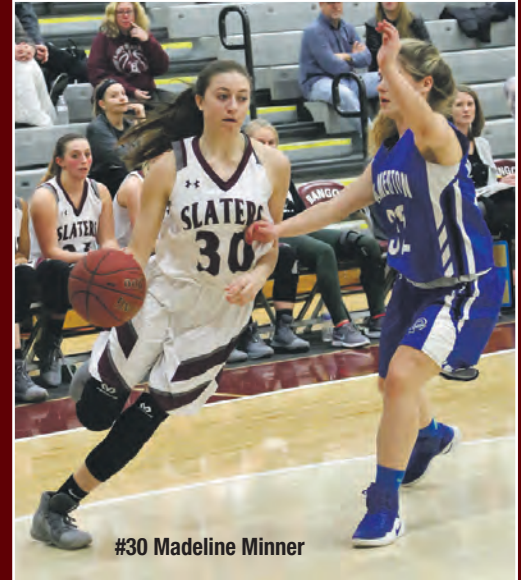
### Bangor Area High School Girls Basketball

Photos by Lynn Cistone

The Bangor Girls Basketball team won their home game on  
 January 3rd against Palmerton 41-37 and the January 6th  
 away game vs Liberty 31-30.



#12 Briann Ohland (CJ Wagner MVP for Bangor, Yasso Rothrock Christmas City Classic)



#30 Madeline Minner



#11 Jordan Hendricks



#15 Morgan Karasek



#2 Casey Walsh

Oxford Fire Co 45 Columbia Fire Co. 11 – Bill Griffett 14-0  
 Bangor VFW 38 Liberty Fire Co. 18 – Ryan Comunale 13-1, Chad Pyscher 12-2, Jeff LaBar  
 11-3; Buck Miller 8-6  
 Pen Argyl Legion 37 Bangor Jax 17 – Brookes Kromer 11-3, Todd Lakey 11-3, John  
 Albanese 10-2  
 Hillside Rod & Gun Club 39 Roseto Rod & Gun Club -17 – Chuck Klinge 13-1, John Hartzell  
 12-2, Ray Hartzell 11-3 \* Note : Larry Mucklin threw a four-timer over Chuck Klinge \*  
 O'Neill's Place 29 East Bangor Fire Co. 27 – Jared Lobb 11-3, Andy Conroy 11-3; Kyle  
 Frankenfield 11-3, Bill Pascoe 10-4  
 Bangor Elks 38 Second Ward Fire Co. 18 – Jody Zengulis 13-1, Chad Kreider 11-3, Ryan  
 Kreider 10-4; Bob Kummer 9-5

#### 2017-2018 SBMQL SECOND HALF STANDINGS

**Division 1** – Hillside Rod & Gun Club 2-0, Bangor Elks 2-0, Oxford Fire Co. 2-0, Pen Argyl  
 Legion 2-0, Roseto Legion 2-0, O'Neill's Place 1-1, Bangor Jax 0-2  
**Division 2** – Bangor VFW 2-0, East Bangor Fire Co. 1-1, Second Ward Fire Co. 0-2, Rescue  
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1502 Bushkill Center Road, Wind Gap  
10:30 AM Sunday School, 11:15 AM & 2 PM Worship  
7 PM Thursday Prayer Meeting  
Pastor Mike Beck, (570) 369-6563

**Community Church**

Mount Pocono Location -1050 Memorial Blvd., Tobyhanna, PA  
18466 - SUNDAYS 9:30 am | 11:00 am | 12:30 pm  
The Burgs Location - 2000 Milford Road, Stroudsburg, PA 18301  
SUNDAYS 11:00 am

**Community Presbyterian**

1755 S. Delaware Drive, Mount Bethel  
9:15 AM Sunday School, 10:30 AM Worship  
Coffee hour on last Sunday of every month  
following service cpcmbp@peoplepc.com  
2nd Wednesday - Community Eucharistic worship service  
beginning on Feb. 8th at 2:00PM  
(570) 897-6766, www.yourcpchurch.com

**Cross Road Baptist Church**

201 S Second Street, Bangor  
9:30 AM Sunday School, 10:45 AM Worship  
Wednesday 7 pm Prayer/Bible Study  
2nd Sunday of Month Free Meal  
4-5:30 pm Breaking Bread Soup Kitchen  
Rev. Jay VanHorn, Pastor, 610-588-3966  
www.crossroadbaptistbangor.com

**East Bangor United Methodist Community Church**

136 West Central Avenue, East Bangor, PA  
**Sundays** - 8:30 AM Choir Rehearsal, 9:15 AM Worship Service  
w/Kids Church, 10:30 AM Adult Forum,  
After-Church Fellowship (Last Sunday),  
4:00-5:30 PM Free Dinner (1st Sunday)  
**2nd Wednesday** - 7:00 PM U.M.W. "Esther Circle"  
**Thursdays** - 6:30 PM Bazaar Workshop;  
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal  
**Saturdays** - 8:00 PM AA Meeting  
Next Free Community Dinner, January 7, 4 - 5:30 PM  
Pastor David Goss (610) 588-4453  
Dial-A-Message (610) 588-3896  
www.ebumc.org

**Faith Alive Community Church**

10 Mechanic Street, Wind Gap  
10 AM Worship, 10:45 AM Children's Church  
and Next Level (Grades 7-12)  
Pastor Matthew Whistler, (610) 863-6911  
www.faccpa.org

**Faith United Presbyterian**

218 W. Penna. Avenue, Pen Argyl  
**Tues:** Faith Quilters-1PM  
**Wed:** Adult Bible Study-10AM  
**Sun:** Choir 9AM, Worship/Church School 10 AM  
Rev. Ruth Ann Christopher (610) 863-4447

**Family Life Community Church**

1115 Richmond Road, Bangor  
Wednesday: Kidz Night Out at The Hub 6:30-  
8:30 PM (Kids ages 6 thru 6th grade), Thursday: Teen  
Night Out at The Hub 6:30-8:30 PM (Grades 7th thru  
9th) 10 AM Worship Service  
Pastor Mike Poppa, (610) 588-3736,  
www.flccbangor.com

**Faith Lutheran Church, LCMS**

2012 Sullivan Trail, Easton (Forks Township)  
Phone, 610-253-1625 email: faithlcms@outlook.com  
Sunday Worship 8am and 10:30am. Sunday School for all,  
9:15am. Holy Communion celebrated, each service  
Rev. Christopher Crume  
Christian Preschool (ages 2 1/2 to 4)

**First United Evangelical**

25 South 2nd Street, Bangor  
**Sun.:** Morning Worship at 10:00 AM  
**Wed. Eve.:** Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7 PM  
Pastor Ronald Shipman, (610)-588-3226

**First United Methodist Church**

55 N. 3rd St., Bangor  
Worship every Sunday at 11:00 am. Communion served the  
first Sunday of every month. Children's message and Sunday  
school during worship.  
Pastor Chris Hardy 610-588-4673  
www.FirstUMCBangor.com  
www.facebook.com/rstUnitedMethodistChurchBangor  
Come as you are. All are welcome!

**Faith Family Fellowship**

1002 Bushkill Center Road, Nazareth  
Sundays: 10 AM Worship Service with fellowship time  
to follow  
Pastor Robert Hampton, 484-408-9624

**Flicksville United Church of Christ**

1337 Lower South Main Street, Bangor, PA 18013  
610-588-4648 www.flicksvilleucc.org  
Sunday School 9:30a.m.  
Sunday Worship 10:45a.m.  
Service will include local musical talent

**First United Methodist**

19 West & Water Street, Wind Gap  
9 AM Adult Sunday School  
10 AM Worship/Communion  
11 AM Fellowship on 1st Sunday of each month  
Pastor John Vidal (570) 426-0645

**Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church**

2904 Church Road, Martins Creek  
9 AM Worship, Adult Bible, Study following worship  
Pastor Louise Williams

**Grace Lutheran Church**

5907 Sullivan Trail, Nazareth  
9 AM Service, 10:15 AM Sunday School,  
10:30 AM Adult Forum  
(610) 759-9080, www.gracebelfast.org

**Grace United Methodist Church**

404 Mountain Avenue, Pen Argyl  
8:30 AM Contemporary Worship  
10 AM Blended Service, Sunday School  
Rev. J. Timothy Fisher (610) 863-4811

**Holy Trinity Orthodox Church**

1501 Trinity Court, Stroudsburg  
9:30 AM Divine Liturgy Sundays  
6:30 PM Vespers Saturday  
(570) 421-4455, www.holytrinitypoconos.org

**Hopesprings Community of Faith**

301 Market Street, Bangor  
Meeting time 10:00 AM  
855-info-hope., www.hopespringscommunity.org

**Hope Lutheran Church**

240 S. 8th Street, Tatamy, PA  
Pastor Herbert Dolich  
9:00am Sunday School classes and Bible Study (Sept.-May)  
10:30am Worship services(Sept.-June)

**Hope UCC**

701 Cherry Street, Wind Gap  
Worship will begin at 10:30 and Sunday School will  
begin at 9:15 am. Communion is the first of the  
month.  
AA Meetings - Sundays at 7:00 PM; Mon. & Tues.  
Mornings at 10:00 AM; Wed. at 7:00 PM  
(610) 863-4474

**Living Waters Christian Church**

396 Sterling Road Unit D, Tobyhanna  
Thursday: 6-7 PM Christian Education, Sunday: 9:15  
AM Christian Education, 10:30 AM Worship  
Rev. Dr. Jacqueline R. Walters  
(570) 350-4710 or (570) 629-5581  
livingwaterscc@aol.com

**Arsha Vidya Pitham (Institute for Study of Vedanta, Yoga and Meditation)**

651, Route 115, Saylorburg www.arshavidya.org

**Mount Bethel Church**

1270 Belvidere Corner Road, Mt. Bethel  
 Pastor Chris Priestaf, (570) 897-7142  
 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,  
 6 PM Sunday Youth Group, Wednesdays: 7 PM Family Night,  
 8:30 PM Young Adults' Group  
 Pastor Doug Hayes, (570) 992-7050  
 mounteatonchurch.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  
 5:30pm Confirmation Class 1/14  
 7:00 Inquirer's Class 1/7, 1/14, 7/21  
 Mondays - 9:30am Woman's Bible Study  
 Wednesdays-6:00pm Weight Watchers: 7:00pm Bible Study  
 Thursdays-6:30pm Bell Choir: 7:15pm Senior Choir  
 Jan.21st- FAW and Soup Sales  
 Jan. 26th - 6:00 Movie Night, Fellowship Hall

**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

**Our Lady of Good Counsel**

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,  
 Handicap accessible  
 (570) 897-6866, www.portlandbaptistchurch.com

**Prince of Peace Lutheran Church**

2445 Lake Minsi Drive, Bangor  
 Every 1st & 3rd Saturdays of the month at 5:30 PM Worship &  
 Holy Communion  
 Sundays: 9:45 AM Worship & Communion  
 Rev. Michael J. Scholtes, (610) 588-2355  
 www.popbangor.org

**Presbyterian Parish of Bangor-Roseto**

Sunday 10:45 AM Worship Service  
 Rev. Albert Martin, (610) 588-4864  
 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  
 Praise Team: 2nd Sunday of each month  
 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 (Route 611), Bangor  
 One Sunday Service at 10:00 AM  
 Adult Sunday School at 9:00 AM  
 Children's Sunday School at 10:00 AM  
 Christmas Eve Worship 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.  
 (610) 588-7317 www.richmondumc.com

**Refiner's Fire Ministry**

100 Division Street, Portland  
 Sundays: Prayer 9:15 am Worship 10:00 am  
 Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 pm  
 Friday Night Redemption (Christ-centered, 12 step meeting)  
 8:00pm

Pastors Phil and Jessica Karasiewicz  
 570-583-3101  
 refinersfireministry2006@gmail.com

**Slate Belt - Nazareth Baptist Church**

1620 Church Road, Pen Argyl  
 Every Tuesday: Mixed Martial Arts/Self Defense 7-8:15 PM,  
 Sunday: 9:30 AM Sunday School, 10:30 AM Worship &  
 Children's Church (nursery provided)  
 Adult Bible study is at 5:30, AWANA is at 5:30  
 Pastor Dustin Ulrich, (610) 863-9274

**The Roseto Independent Presbyterian Church**

210 Garibaldi Avenue, Roseto  
 9:15 AM Greeting, 9:30 AM Service  
 Rev. Barry Eng, (610) 599-9949  
 www.RIPC-OnlineToday.org

**Salem UCC**

2218 Community Drive Bath PA 18014  
 Worship 8:00 AM; Sunday School, Confirmation Class, Junior  
 Choir 9:00 AM; Worship 10:15 AM  
 Sundays Cub Pack 50 1:00 PM  
 First & Third Mon. of the month Pinochle Club 11 AM-2:30 PM  
 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  
 Worship 9:30 am - 1st Sunday of month Holy Communion  
 Pastor Frank Gassler, (610) 759-0244  
 www.stlukesuccbelfast.com

**St. Mary's Episcopal**

340 Lehigh Street, Wind Gap  
 9 AM Eucharist, Coffee hour follows service.  
 Carols, Lessons and Holy Eucharist service at 9 a.m. on  
 December 24th. There will be no Christmas Day service  
 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  
 Traditional worship is 9 AM weekly, w/Communion on the 1st  
 Sun. of the month.  
 Country Gospel worship 12 PM 2nd Sun. of each month  
 Sunday School meets 10:30-11:30 AM weekly.  
 The Nursery, for infants and children up to age 5, is available  
 during 9 AM worship during the Family Table service

**St. John's Evangelical Lutheran**

12 North Westbrook, Pen Argyl  
 8:45 AM Sunday School, 10 AM Worship  
 (610) 863-4332

**St. Joseph's Episcopal**

1440 Verona Drive, Pen Argyl  
 11 AM Eucharist, Coffee hour after service  
 Christmas Eve service on December 24th at 11 a.m. There will  
 be no Christmas Day service.  
 The Rev. Canon Joel Atkinson, priest in charge.

**St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church**

1422 Church Road, Pen Argyl  
 8 AM & 10:15 AM Services, 9 AM Sunday School, 7 PM Praise Band  
 (610) 863-6859 www.stpetersplainfield.com

**St. Peter's UCC**

401 Broad Street, Tatamy  
 10:00 AM worship all year; 10:00 AM Sunday school Sept.-May.  
 Interim Pastor Dale Sattizahn, (610) 252-6515

**St. Vincent DePaul Catholic**

Delaware Avenue, Portland  
 6 PM Saturday, 10:30 AM Sunday  
 Rev. Stephen L. Maco, (610) 588-5445

**The Salvation Army**

301 W. Main Street, Pen Argyl, PA 18072  
 610-863-6677

**Sundays:** 10 AM Sunday School, Sunday services every  
 Sunday from 11:00am-12:00pm.

**Tuesdays:** Food Bank 10 AM-12 PM

**Wednesdays:** Knitting & Crocheting 10 AM-12 PM

**Thurs:** 10:30-11:30 AM Home League Women's group.

**Free Lunch for Seniors:** Tues.-Thurs. 12 PM

**The Pentecostal Christian Church****the Truth (Iglesia Pentecostal La Verdad)**

4 Jory Avenue, Pen Argyl  
 12 PM Sunday School (Escuela Dominical)  
 1 PM Praise & Worship (Cuho Evangelistico)  
 All invited to Bilingual Services  
 Rev. Frank Pons, (570) 807-7794

**Temple Israel of the Poconos**

Egalitarian Conservative Synagogue  
 711 Wallace Street, Stroudsburg  
 Sabbath Services: Friday 8 PM followed by a Traditional Oneg Shabbat  
 Saturday 9:30 AM followed by a traditional Kiddush. Services  
 conducted in both Hebrew & English in a warm, welcoming, Jewish  
 environment. Hebrew School for ages 4-13  
 Dr. Sandra Alfonsi, 570-223-7062

**Trinity Evangelical Lutheran**

404 Broadway, Bangor  
 Sunday School 9am - Worship 10:15am  
 Pastor Laine, 610-588-2023  
 www.tlcbangor.com

**Trinity United Church of Christ**

632 South Delaware Drive, Mt. Bethel  
 Sunday School 9:15 am & Worship 10:30 am .  
 Rev. Rodney W. Wells, (610) 588-1989

**Zion Presbyterian Church**

Water Street, Wind Gap  
 9:30 AM Service, Children's Sunday School during service.  
 Visitors are welcomed!  
 Rev. Sam Huffard

**Zion United Lutheran Church**

1919 Route 209 in Brodheadsville.  
**Worship: Saturdays 5:00 PM** informal spoken service,  
**Sundays 8:00 AM** with recorded music and **10:30 AM** with  
 choir. Sunday School for all ages @ 9:15 AM.  
 The Rev. E. Ann Melot~ ELCA  
 570-992-6988 www.zionulc.com

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