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WEEKEND HAPPENINGS



Hand Gun Bingo

Saturday, February 22, 2020 Doors open at 12:00pm Bingo starts at 2:00pm

\$50 per ticket (Limited tickets available)

All Bingo winners win a hand gun Must be 18 to play

Food and drinks available for purchase Tricky Tray and 50/50

Bangor VFW 202 Veterans Road, Bangor, PA 610-588-5555



Friday, February 21st & Saturday, February 22nd, 9:00am-4:00pm. (Inside) Large variety of items available for sale. United Presbyterian Church, 224 Mansfield St, Belvidere, NJ.

FAMILIES FIRST 10TH ANNUAL BENEFIT SNOW BALL DANCE DINNER DANCE

Saturday, February 22, 6:00pm-11:00pm at Weona Park recreation center, Pen Argyl. Music by Romeo Vegas. For tickets contact Spring Shank - Pen Argyl High School, Heather Reed - Wind Gap Middle School, Kelly Thomas - Plainfield Elementary, FMI: Frank Jones - 610-863-9095 ext. 1387 or jones.frank@penargylsd.org. All proceeds help support Families First free programs.

We love hearing from you!

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ican Heart Month

FEBRUARY 20 - NATIONAL LOVE YOUR PET DAY

FEBRUARY 21 - NATIONAL CAREGIVER'S DAY

FEBRUARY 22 - NATIONAL MARGARITA DAY

FEBRUARY 23 - NATIONAL BANANA BREAD DAY

FEBRUARY 24 - NATIONAL TORTILLA CHIP DAY

FEBRUARY 25 - FAT TUESDAY

FEBRUARY 26 - ASH WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 27 - NATIONAL CHILI DAY

FEBRUARY 28 - NATIONAL TOOTH FAIRY DAY







FASNACHT DONUT SALE

Tuesday, February 25th, deadline for orders Fri. 2/21. Donuts need to be picked up on 2/25 by 1:00 pm. Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, 703 S. Delaware Drive, Mt. Bethel, PA. Orders & information: Chrissy 610-588-0809.

BANGOR AREA HIGH SCHOOL BANDS POPS CONCERT

Featuring John Williams compositions from Raiders of the Lost Ark and Schindler's List. West Side Story medley and others. **Tuesday, March 3rd at 7:30pm**, M. Craig Paine Performing Arts Theater, 187 Five Points Richmond Rd., Bangor, PA

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Northampton County Detachment 298 Meeting 4 March / 7 p.m. 1621 Lehigh St. / Easton. All active duty and honorably discharged Marines welcome! jimmineousmc@rcn.com. Facebook: Marine Corps League Northampton County. Detachment 298.

NASME MODEL TRAIN SHOW

The model train show presented by Nazareth Area Society of Model Engineers will be held on the following dates: **Saturday, March 7th, and Sunday, March 8th, 1:00pm-5:00pm.** The Nazareth Area Society of Model Engineers is located at 212 Main Street, Stockertown, PA. Parking is available behind the Stockertown Municipal Building.

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS POST 927 MEETING

The American Legion Riders have their monthly meeting on **Sunday, March 8 at 10:30am** at the American Legion Post 927, Route 209 and Fairgrounds Road, Gilbert. The American Legion Riders contribute to Veterans, the Community, and enjoy riding. FMI contact President Everett "Skippy" Shaver, 570-977-8208 or everett.shaver@yahoo.com

SLATE BELT HERITAGE CENTER MONTHLY PRESENTATION

The Slate Belt Heritage Center will hold their monthly historic program on **Sunday, March 8th, 2:00pm.** "Leopold Conservation Farming Award" by Richard DiFebo. The event is free and open to the public. The Heritage Center is located at 30 North 1st Street in Bangor, PA. For additional information please contact Karen Brewer at 484-894-5661.

MT. BETHEL VOL. FIRE CO. LADIES AUXILIARY MONTHLY SOUP NITE

The Mt. Bethel Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary will host their "Monthly Soup Nite" on **Thursday, March 12th, 3:00pm-7:00pm** at the Mt Bethel Vol. Fire Co., 2341 N. Delaware Drive, Mt Bethel, PA. Two varieties of homemade soups will be available by the bowl or quart, eat in or takeout. this will be the last soup night of 2020. FMI contact Diane DeMarzo at 973-202-3317.

SLATER FAMILY NETWORK SILENT AUCTION

Saturday, March 14th. Doors open at 10:00am. Auction at 12:00pm. Five Points Elementary School, 363 5 Pts. Richmond Rd., Bangor, PA.

FREE CONFIDENTIAL SUPPORT GROUP FOR VETERANS & FIRST RESPONDERS

A Clean Slate, 100 S 1st St. Bangor, PA 18013. 610-452-9348. March 16th, (3rd Mon Every Month) 7:00pm-8:00pm. Join any time.

JACKPOT BINGO



Sunday, February 23rd Snow Date Sunday, March 1st



Doors Open at 11:00am - Bingo starts at 1:00pm Tickets \$30 - Pre-Sale \$35 at the Door

Regular Bingo Games, Specials, Pull Tab tickets, 50/50, Tricky Tray, and many other games of chance to play Concession stand will be open

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Plainfield Township Volunteer Fire Co. 6480 Sullivan Trail, Wind Gap PA 18091

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Saturday February 29th



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Meet the Author Jolynn Angelini at Bangor Public Library

Come meet local artist Jolynn
Angelini at the Bangor Public Library,
on Saturday, March 28th, from
10:00am to 12:00pm. She will be
sharing her first book "The Protectors"
a fast paced thriller. The book is
available for purchase at iuniverse.com
Space is limited so please call the

library to reserve a spot 610-588-4136. The Bangor Public Library is located at 39 South Main Street, Bangor, PA.

NCC Offers "2-Day Practices of Successful Leaders" New class based on principles of high-performing leaders

Northampton Community College (NCC) will offer a 2-day version of the Practices of Successful Leaders program, based on the research of academics James Kouzes and Barry Posner, on Thursday, March 26th, and Friday, March 27th, from 8:00am to 4:30pm, at the Fowler Family Southside Center, 511 E. Third Street, Bethlehem.

The course will include interactive exercises, individual and group processes and video case studies to develop the understanding and application of key practices of high-performing leaders.

For fees and to enroll, visit www.northampton.edu/ noncredit and click "Center of Business and Industry" and scroll to "Leadership, Management, Quality and Professional Development." For questions, call

610-332-8678. This course has some pre-work that has to be completed and submitted before the first class.

Blue Valley Farm Show Scholarship Applications Available

The Blue Valley Farm Show has available to any student who is or has been a member of the Northampton County 4-H Clubs, two \$500 scholarships for the 2020-2021 school year.

Applications must be returned by March 31, 2020. The scholarships will be presented to the winners during the annual Blue Valley Farm Show in August. For more information contact Audrey Koehler, 610-498-3389.



Membership Drive & Open House Saturday, March 7th 3:00pm-9:00pm

Entertainment by Homer Stokes

Potential New Members are asked to bring a current Drivers License or State I.D.;
Military please bring DD214 papers

Questions please call the post 610-588-5555



Blue Valley Farm Show, 707 American Bangor Road, Bangor, PA 18013

\$30 includes Dinner and Show at 6:00pm \$45 includes Dinner, Show, Whiskey/Wine Tasting at 5:00pm Soda/Water & Snacks, BYOB Dinner doors open at 6:00PM -Dinner served at 6:15PM

For Tickets or more information contact
Jackie Brinker at 610.588.2101 or
www.ticketor.com/stpetersplainfield/tickets/seamus-kennedy
www.seamuskennedy.com ~ Sponsor: Thrivent Financial

Mt. Bethel Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary

Saturday, March 28th 3 9:00 am-3:00 pm

\$25.00 will reserve an 8 foot table or space and \$15.00 for a second table on a first come, first serve basis (tables and chairs provided for two crafters per table) Vendors: one vendor per "company" (Avon, Scentsy, etc)

Questions? Call Kris at 610-392-7975

Please fill out the form below and return it with your check made payable to:

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Send to: MT BETHEL FIRE CO. LADIES AUX. PO BOX 194, Mt Bethel PA 18343

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SPRING SHOW 2020

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After Bangor Teen Receives Bone Marrow Transplant, Mom Urges Community to Donate Blood By Sarah Loren

Since 16-year-old Tommy Stackhouse was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia on June 19th last year, the Bangor community has come together to support Tommy and his parents, Rob and Shelly Stackhouse, in many ways.

"The community has been amazing with their support," Shelly said.

It all began with a neighbor making T-shirts. Then the Lady Slaters basketball team donated proceeds from their annual fundraiser game against Wilson High School to the Stackhouse family. Usually a "pink" game to raise breast cancer awareness, the Lady Slaters wore orange instead, in honor of Tommy and leukemia awareness. Area businesses have also held fundraising events for the Stackhouse family.

The community has been there for Tommy in other ways, as well.

"Liberty Fire Company had him as their guest in the fire truck for the Halloween parade last year," Shelly said. "It was only one day after being discharged from the hospital and he was very frail. We watched a lot of Live PD and Live Rescue while in the hospital and he mentioned to me that he always wanted to ride in a firetruck. I made a few texts to my friends and they made his wish come true. They also gifted him his own personalized fireman's helmet."

Through it all, Tommy has said time and again," I just want to get this over with and get back to a normal life." That includes his role as manager for the Bangor Slaters varsity football team.

"We thank the entire community and school district!" Shelly said. "It truly takes a village!"

Shelly is now asking this village for another type of donation: blood, platelets, and bone marrow.

Tommy began chemotherapy just a few days following his diagnosis. After three rounds of chemo, Tommy hadn't reached remission at the induction phase, so he was referred to the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) for a bone marrow transplant.

"The last round of chemo he reached MRD negative,



Slaters Slam Leukemia night for #TeamTommy

which means there were no leukemia cells in his bone marrow, but he still needed the transplant because the percentage of relapse was high," Shelly said.

Tommy was admitted to CHOP on November 12th for conditioning chemo before the transplant; "this totally wipes out your bone marrow," Shelly said.

Ten days later, Tommy received his new bone marrow from a non-related donor. During that period, he received two blood transfusions and 17 platelet infusions.

"Blood donation takes ten to 15 minutes and is the easiest way to give back. One donation can help three patients," Shelly said.

"The Miller-Keystone Blood Center is in dire need of blood donation at this time of year. You can easily sign up online and schedule your appointment... [at] giveapint. org."

Tommy is currently staying at the Ronald McDonald House with his mom in Philadelphia, visiting CHOP weekly for routine appointments.

Follow Tommy's story on Facebook at TeamTommy, where information regarding fundraisers, blood drives, and more are also posted.



The Bangor Lady Slaters Basketball team hosted the Orange Game in support of Team Tommy

Photos courtesy of Carol Commins Photography and Slater Athletics



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Dear Plainfield Cemetery Plotholders, Family & Friends,

Plainfield Cemetery is asking for your help and support. Throughout the Cemetery's 200+ years, we have been able to maintain the Cemetery in a respectful manner. The Cemetery's income consists of plot sales, burial charges, a small amount of interest and donations.

The Cemetery has a perpetual care fund which provides interest from investments to pay for general operating costs. Federal laws dictate that we cannot use anything but the interest of this perpetual care investment to pay general expenses. Since interest rates plummeted several years ago, that interest now barely comes to a couple hundred dollars a year. In order to pay the 2019 grass mowing expense of \$17,000 we had to cash in one of the general fund investments.

Plainfield is not alone - many independent cemeteries are suffering similar pressure and have been force to suspend or reduce regular mowing. That's a position we hope we don't get forced into in the coming year.

In addition to the normal upkeep expenses, the Cemetery is faced with the need to make some much needed improvements to a driveway in a new area of the cemetery which is always a mud hole when it rains making it virtually unusable. Doing research on how to best eliminate this water and mud situation in this driveway means we need to come up with somewhere in the area of \$15,000 to provide a stable, firm base for a future more permanent driveway.

We need your help. Help us plan for the future by joining us as a volunteer in support of the Cemetery. We need new energy, ideas, and skills on the Board to build a strong plan to care for the cemetery in the future. Even more important, is the need for financial help to meet our 2020 grass moving expenses of approximately \$17,000. Any donation, large or small, will help meet this responsibility. While we're discussing finances, please consider the cemetery when you are planning your estate. Any beguests can be used to increase our perpetual care investments or be used for other repairs and hope that the overall financial picture will improve and we can get a better interest rate to help alleviate these financial issues.

Thank you for your time and consideration to this request to help support the work of Plainfield Cemetery. Any donations that you might consider may be sent to Susan Hahn, Treasurer, Plainfield Cemetery, 1424 Church Road, Pen Argyl, PA 18072 Any questions, call 610-863-6816

Earl M. Brewer, Jr., President



Parking

District 10 Jazz Band Participant

Steffani Smith, a senior trumpet player in the Bangor High School Band, qualified for the District 10 Jazz Band. Students were judged on an audio submitted in January. She was one of 22 students selected from the counties of Berks, Carbon, Lehigh, Monroe, Northampton, Pike, and Schuylkill.

The students will be traveling to Moravian College March 6-7 to rehearse and perform under the direction of Dr. David Demsey. Dr. Demsey is



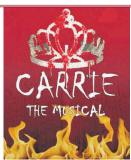
Steffani Smith

Professor of Music and Coordinator of Jazz Studies at William Paterson University.

Steffani is the daughter of William and Trish Smith.

Bangor Area High School Theater Department Prepares for this Year's Musical: Carrie the Musical

Based on Stephen King's Carrie the Musical was first introduced to Broadway in 1988. It then received an Off-Broadway revival in 2012 when MCC Theater and director Stafford Arima teamed up with the original



authors to edit and revive the musical, Bangor Area High School Theater Department is thrilled to bring this new 2012 version to life through four performances. These performances will take place on the following dates and times: April 3rd at 7:30pm; April 4th at 2:00pm; April 5th at 2:00pm.

The musical will be held in the M. Craig Paine Performing Arts Theater, located at 187 Five Points Richmond Road, Bangor PA 18013.

Tickets may be purchased online at www.showtix4u. com/events/bahscarrie. At any time between now and the shows, customers can purchase their tickets online. All online transactions must be paid for by credit card. Tickets may also be purchased at the box office located outside the theater at select dates and times between now and the shows. Cash and checks can be processed through this method. Furthermore, there will be a performance for Gold Card members on April 1st at 7:00pm. They must have a Gold Card to enter. Gold Cards will not be honored at regular performances.

The Moorestown Garden Club Meeting

The Moorestown Garden Club will hold its first monthly meeting of the year on **Tuesday, March 3rd** at Salem UCC Fellowship Hall, 2218 Community Dr., Bath, PA 18014 at 7:00pm. Fred Buse, a Penn State Master Gardener, will present "English Cottage Gardens". Admission is free, and the public is always welcome.



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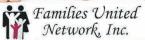
For more information, Contact: Jim Steele @ 610-216-4191 or gunshow@portlandhookandladder.com

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Pocono Community Pharmacy II 175 E. Brown Street, Suite 107 E. Stroudsburg, PA. 570-664-8226 (located opposite to Lehigh Valley PMC ER)





The Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce Applications Available for Scholarship Achievement Award

The Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce applications for Scholarship Achievement Award 2020 are available **March 1st** at the guidance departments of Bangor High School, Pen Argyl High School, Faith Christian & Career Institute of Technology.

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

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

Please note: A separate award, The Frederick R. Curcio, Jr. Scholarship Award, may also be applied for at this time. To qualify a senior must been enrolled in a computer science related course or planning to attend a Technical School of their choice or majoring in computer science.

Applications must be received by April 12, 2020. To honor the recipients, parents and friends, a Scholarship Awards Dinner is planned for May 14th at Tuscarora Inn. For more information contact the guidance department or the chamber office at 610-588-1000.

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The 8th Annual Pet Expo Sponsored by the St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Pen Argyl will be held on **Saturday, September 26, from10:00am to 2:00pm**. **Rain Date: Saturday, October 3rd**. St. John Lutheran Church parking lot 12 N. Westbrook Ave., Pen Argyl, PA. Pet Rescue/Adoption groups are encouraged to attend. Last year 4 animals were adopted during the Pet Expo and we are hopeful to to increase that number this year. Remember your group will receive a \$50 donation for coming. Come join a day of Pet Rescue/Adoptions, Pet Contests, Pet Blessing, 50/50 drawing. Demonstration of therapy dogs, and a Pet Parade.

All animals must be leashed or in carriers. Please bring donations for the local shelters and rescues! All proceeds benefit the animals. Donations of Pet Food is always accepted to help feed pets in need. For more information on this event or to make a donation please call Clint at 610-863-7261.

Household Document Shredding Drop-Off Events for Northampton County

Lamont McClure and the Department of Public Works will hold three Household Document Shredding events in 2020 from 10:00am to 12:00pm, rain or shine. The events are free for Northampton County Residents only. Paper waste will not be accepted from any business or organization.

Residents are limited to two boxes or bags per vehicle with a twenty-five pound weight limit per box or bag. Accepted items include Accounting Files, Cancelled Checks, Pay Stubs, Financial Statements, Investment Transactions, Legal Documents, Medical Records, Tax Forms, etc. Unacceptable materials include Junk Mail, Magazines, Catalogs, Photographs, Negatives and X-rays. Staples, paper clips, rubber bands and folders are okay. Ring binders, metal strips, and plastic sheet protectors or coverings will be refused.

April 4th – Lower Saucon Municipal Garage 3700 Old Philadelphia Pike, Bethlehem, PA 18015

May 2nd – Nazareth Borough Municipal Office 134 S Main Street, Nazareth, PA 18064

September 12th – Cliff Cowling Field Pavilion (next to the Basketball Court) 301 Allen Street, Bath, PA 18014.



Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center Community Programs, March

Hike for Health

Wednesday, March 11th at 5:30pm to 7:00pm
Join us after work for a hike with a St. Luke's University health professional! Get some exercise while learning about health and fitness outdoors. Each hike will include a presentation from a guest health professional on topics such as physical fitness, stretching, and nutrition. A different guest will hike with us each month, sharing a topic that they specialize in. We will hike at a brisk pace over uneven terrain for 2 to 2.5 miles guided by a center educator. Our guest will be available during the hike to discuss the topic of the day and answer your questions. This program is being provided in partnership with St. Luke's University Health Network and the Get Your Tail on the Trail initiative. Meet at the Visitor Center at 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth, PA. Registration is not required.

Volunteer Work Day

Saturday, March 14th at 10:00am to 3:00pm Join us we spruce up our native gardens and bird blind area, including brush piles, mulching, dirt removal, and weeding. Work gloves and tools will be provided. Please dress for the weather and bring a lunch. Registration is required.

Family Night - Frog Find and Salameander

Friday, March 20th at 6:30pm to 8:00pm
Do you know what an amphibian is? Discover what makes this group of animals and the vernal ponds that they depend on unique. Vernal ponds are temporary bodies of water that form in spring from rain and snow melt. These ponds lack predatory fish and are used by frogs and salamanders to breed and lay eggs. Join us for this evening adventure to explore these woodland ponds in search of amphibian wonders. Please dress for the weather, wear waterproof footwear, and bring a flashlight. Registration is required.

Pennsylvania Songbirds Workshop for Teachers

Wednesday, March 25th at 8:00am to 4:00pm
Pennsylvania Songbirds is a hands-on interdisciplinary
K-12 teachers' resource and activity guide about
songbirds. It includes classroom activities on bird biology,
habitats, observing and identifying songbirds, migration,
research, and specific actions to help songbirds. Fee
\$25.00. Workshop includes PA Songbirds activity guide,
a bird banding presentation, and lunch. Act 48 hours are
available. Registration is required.

Speaker Series: The Spotted Lanternfly

Friday, March 27th at 7:00pm to 8:00pm
Join Amy Korman from Penn State Extension as she talks about Spotted Lanternfly biology, their effect on local flora, and what citizens can do the help stop the spread of these invasive insects. Registration is required.

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





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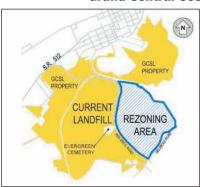


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Grand Central Seeking Plainfield Zoning Approval For Landfill's Eastern Expansion Plan



The operators of Grand Central Landfill today requested Plainfield Twp. zoning approval for an expansion plan that would extend the facility's operating life by about 20 years.

"Grand Central Landfill and Hauling provide a critical environmental

service to our region, support about 220 jobs at our site, and has an enormous positive impact on the local economy," said Waste Management Community Relations Manager Adrienne Fors. "We want to continue servicing our customers and being an important part of the Slate Belt's economy."

To explain the plan, Mrs. Fors said Community Meetings will be conducted on March 18th at 6 p.m. at the Plainfield Township Fire Hall and March 19th at 1 p.m. in the Wind Gap Fire Social Hall and at 6 p.m. at Lookout Fire Company's new social hall. Each session will include a project overview presentation and the opportunity to meet the landfill management team and ask questions.

Project information can also be found on the landfill's website and Facebook page, and neighbors can call Grand Central's Community Line at 888-373-2917 with questions.

"Transparency will be critical to the success of our project and we are making as much project information available to the community as possible. We want everyone to understand our plan and the great care we take in protecting the community and the environment," Mrs. Fors said.

The application filed with the township today requests that 211 acres of land zoned as "Farm and Forest" in the Plainfield Twp. Zoning Ordinance be rezoned for "Solid Waste Processing and Disposal." This acreage is part of a larger land purchase of 36 parcels that includes 325-acres. The proposed Eastern Expansion would include an 81-acre waste disposal area, and approximately 52-acres for support activities and 192-acres of wooded and wetland areas which would be untouched by the expansion project and would serve to buffer the community from landfill operations.

The zoning approval requested today will be needed for Grand Central to receive other expansion-related approvals and permits from Plainfield Township and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP). Mrs. Fors said that Grand Central Landfill has less than eight years of remaining operating life. The business cannot apply to PADEP for an expansion permit until it has less than five years of remaining operating life.

The rezoning application filed with Plainfield Township

today included the results of multiple environmental studies conducted on the expansion area, two economic studies that include a review of local real estate values, and a health study.

According to the economic studies, based on recent operating volumes, operation of the Eastern Expansion will provide benefits with an estimated value of \$101 million to the municipalities closest to the landfill and an annual economic impact of about \$78 million in Northampton County.

Mrs. Fors said the expansion plan would not impact the landfill's award-winning wildlife habitat and environmental education work and conforms with Plainfield Township's Open Space Plan and a multi-municipal planning strategy that is under development.

Background

Grand Central Landfill has been providing waste disposal services in Plainfield Twp. since 1951 when it was opened by the Perin family. In 1983, the landfill became the second in the state to use a synthetic liner. The Perin family sold the landfill and hauling company to USA Waste in 1997. USA Waste later merged with Waste Management, the current operator of the landfill and hauling company.

More information about Grand Central Landfill and its Eastern Expansion plan can be found at the site's Website at http://grandcentrallandfill.com/ and Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/ Grandcentrallandfillandhauling/

About Waste Management

Waste Management (WM: NYSE) is based in Houston, Texas, and through its subsidiaries provides waste collection, transfer, recycling and resource recovery, and disposal services. Waste Management also is a leading developer, operator and owner of landfill gas-to-energy facilities in the United States and Canada. The company's customers include residential, commercial, industrial, and municipal customers across the U.S. and Canada. To learn more about Waste Management, visit www.wm.com.



DiFebo Family Receives The Pennsylvania Leopold Conservation Award

The Slate Belt Heritage Center will hold their monthly historic presentation on **Sunday, March 8th, at 2:00pm.** Featured speaker will be Richard DiFebo who will present a program on his family's reception of the "Pennsylvania Leopold Conservation Award".

The DiFebo Family was presented with a \$10,000 award along with a crystal statue for this achievement. When Mr. DiFebo began farming on his in-law's former dairy farm, in the mid 90's, the land needed some work to remain profitable. He realized that he needed to bring the land back to good health. He started a grass-fed beef herd and began converting cropland that had been prone to erosion. Putting cattle back on the land would improve soil quality and by having a healthy pasture the need for fertilizer and herbicides has been eliminated. The DiFebo family also rents 65 acres from the Bangor School District where this practice is conducted. The site serves not only as grazing pasture, but also an outdoor classroom and public use trail with educational displays about the conservation practices.

The Leopold Conservation Award Program is a competitive award that recognizes landowner achievement in voluntary conservation. Sand County Foundation presents the award. The Sand County Foundation inspires and enable a growing number of private landowners to ethically manage natural resource in their care so future generation have clean and abundant water, healthy soil to support agriculture and forestry, plentiful habitat for wildlife and opportunities for outdoor recreation.

The event is free and open to the public. The Heritage Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA. For additional information please contact: Karen Brewer at 484-894-5661



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Slate Belt Heritage Center Schedule of Events for 2020 Future Monthly Presentations:

Sunday:

March 8th, 2:00pm "Leopold Conservation Farming Award" by Richard DiFebo.

Thursday:

April 9th, 7:00pm "Textile Book Reveal & Signing" by Committee

May 14th, 7:00pm "Garment – Textile Book Process" by Committee

June 18th, 7:00pm Preservation Awards by Karen Brewer July 9th, 7:00pm 100th "Anniversary of Weona Park" by Walter Cole

August 13th, 7:00pm "Anniversary of V-J Day" by Russ Stout

September 19th, 7:00pm "1936 Slate Centennial Parade Video".

October 8th, 7:00pm Haunted Heritage Program Sunday:

November 8th, 2:00pm "Pearl Harbor Remembered" by Jim Paynter

December 13th, 2:00pm "Great Slate Belt Trivia Contest" by Marc Blau

The Slate Belt Heritage Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA. For additional information please contact: Karen Brewer at 484-894-5661.

Heralds of the Boreal By Robert Martin

"Behold all ye peoples of the earth,
I have secrets to tell about my birth,
My traveling through the boreal skies,
Of variable shapes from upward highs,
From warm to cold from rain to snow,
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Prince of Peace Silent Auction

Prince of Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church, Bangor, held their annual Silent Auction on Friday, February 7th. Their were nearly 500 baskets and more than 70 gift certificates to bid on. See more photos on our Facebook page. Photos by Lisa Newberry





Slate Belt Heritage Center Sheep to Shawl Program

Photos by Lisa Newberry

The Slate Belt Heritage Center held their monthly historic program on Sunday, February 9th. Speaker was Mrs. Hope DeBoer Horn who presented "Sheep to Shawl". She demonstrated taking wool from its raw state into a finished product. Mrs. Horn operates a wool school out of the former Oughoughton one-room schoolhouse in Richmond PA. She teaches classes on dying, spinning, and weaving products from wool. She has her own sheep and goats where she does all the sheering herself along with dying the wool with natural products like goldenrod and other plants. She sells the products and unspun wool at her restored general store next to the school. See more photos on our facebook page.



Faith Christian School Honors Basketball Seniors

Faith Christian School Seniors were honored on February 10th at their home basketball games against Summit Christian Academy. Both Girls and Boys Varsity FCS teams won!



Pictured L to R: Mackenzie Chamberlain, Emma Holt, Mercedes Long, Cameron Whistler, Connor Brawley, David Magnin and Team Statistician: Zach Erwin

SLATE BELT MEN'S QUOIT LEAGUE SCORES

February 13, 2020

Oxford Fire Co. won by forfeit over Bangor Jax

Bangor Elks 33 O'Neill's Place 23 -

Jody Zengulis 11-3, Jerry Bubba 11-3, Pete Speer 10-4, Tyrone Comunale 10-4; Andy Conroy 7-7

Columbia Fire Co. 36 Roseto Legion 20 -

Vic Zeeman 13-1, Heath LaBarre 9-5, Carl Gilbert 7-7, Andrew Holland 7-7, Tom Quear 8-6, Tanner Geake 7-7, Ryan Miller 7-7

Roseto Rod & Gun Club 32 Second Ward Fire Co. 24 -

Larry Mucklin 12-2, Brian Mucklin 11-3; Carl Boos 9-5, George Wilgus 8-6

Pen Argyl Legion 37 Liberty Fire Co. 19 -

Calvin Štocker 13-1, John Albanese 11-3, Kraig Kuster 10-4, Brookes Kromer 10-4; Brian Miller 8-6

East Bangor Fire Co. 36 Rescue Fire Co. 20 -

Bill Pascoe 13-1, Bob Vargo, Jr. 12-2; Rob George 7-7, Mike Vedral 7-7

Hillside Rod & Gun Club 36 Bangor VFW 20 -

Dave Flick, Jr. 12-2, Chuck Klingle 10-4; Jeramy Albert 8-6

2019-2020 SBMOL SECOND HALF STANDINGS

Division 1 - Hillside Rod & Gun Club 9-0, Bangor Elks 9-0, East Bangor Fire Co. 8-1, Pen Argyl Legion 7-2, Oxford Fire Co. 7-2, O'Neill's Place 5-4, Bangor VFW 4-5

Division 2 – Bangor Jax 5-4, Columbia Fire Co. 3-6, Rescue Fire Co. 2-7, Liberty Fire Co. 2-7, Roseto Rod & Gun Club 1-8, Second Ward Fire Co. 1-8, Roseto Legion 0-9







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Fasnachts or Pancakes on Shrove Tuesday (Fat Tuesday)

Fasnacht or Pancake Day coincides with Shrove Tuesday, also referred to as "Fat Tuesday" or Mardi Gras. It's the day before Ash Wednesday, the start of the Christian observance of Lent. A 40-day season of fasting, repentance, and reflection before Easter Sunday. Shrove Tuesday, is the last hoorah to celebrate by eating indulgent foods, such as fasnachts or pancakes. Traditionally, Fasnacht Day is a Pennsylvania Dutch tradition. Fasnacht, is a German word meaning "Fasting Night" in English. Using up the lard, sugar, butter, eggs and other rich foods in the cupboard making the fastnachts before Lent begins. So what is Fasnacht? It's a donut.

There are three kinds of Fasnachts, one made with yeast, one made with baking powder, and one made with potatoes and yeast. All are slightly crispy on the outside and not nearly as sweet as a regular donut. In the UK, Shrove Tuesday is more commonly referred to as "Pancake Day." We know a pancake is a thin, flat cake, made of batter and fried in a frying pan. Traditionally, an English pancake is very thin and is served with syrup or lemon juice and caster sugar are the usual toppings for these pancakes.

The ingredients for the pancakes can be seen as symbolizing four points of significance at this time of year: Eggs - Creation, Flour - The staff of Life, Salt -Wholesomeness, and Milk - Purity. So, whether you choose to indulge in fasnachts, Shrove pancakes, or some other decadent food, enjoy and eat up on Fat Tuesday!







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Pennsylvania Dutch Fastnacht Recipe

Ingredients:

2 cups milk

1/2 cup butter (1 stick)

2 teaspoon salt

3/4 cup sugar

1/4 teaspoon nutmeg

2 egg (beaten)

2 (1/4-ounce) packages active dry yeast (or 5 teaspoons)

7 1/2 cup flour

Directions:

In a medium saucepan, warm the milk and add butter until it has melted. In a large bowl, add salt, sugar, and nutmeg. Add in the milk and melted butter mix. Stir and set aside until it's lukewarm. When ingredients in bowl are lukewarm, mix in beaten eggs and yeast. Next, add 3 cups of flour. With a stand mixer, beat at low speed for 2 minutes and then at high speed for 2 more minutes. If mixing by hand tryto add as much air as possible by vigorously mixing the batter for the last two minutes. Turn the dough out onto a floured board and knead for about 3 minutes. Place the dough into a greased bowl and turn it over to grease both the top and bottom. Cover with a kitchen towel and let it prove in a warm place for about 1 hour or until it has doubled in size. Punch down the dough and turn it out onto a floured board. Roll out the dough into a 1/4-inch thick disc and cut into squares. Cover again with the kitchen towel and let prove again until it doubles in size, about 45 minutes. Once the squares have doubled, heat about 2 to 3 inches of cooking oil to 370 F in a heavy, deep saucepan. The oil is ready when a scrap of dough browns in about 1 minute. Drop the dough squares into the hot oil. Avoid over crowding the pan as too many pieces of dough can make the temperature of the oil drop. When golden brown on the bottom side turn the squares over. When golden brown all over, remove from heat and set the fastnachts on paper towels to cool. Remove excess oil with a paper towel. Garnish with sugar and enjoy!

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Recipe

Ingredients:

3/4 cup plus 2 tbsp flour

1/8 tsp salt

1 egg, beaten

8 oz milk

2 tbsp water

butter for pan

lemon wedges and sugar, to serve

Directions:

Sift the flour and salt into a large bowl; make a well in the middle and add the beaten egg. Next stir in half the milk, mixing in the flour gradually until it begins to form a batter, then beat well and add the remainder of the milk and water. Let stand for about 15 minutes before making any pancakes. When batter has rested, heat a nonstick pan over medium high heat, add a little bit of butter to the center of the pan, stir the batter then pour in a small amount into the pan then swirl it so that it spreads thinly. Cook for one minute, then turn and cook the other side for about 30 seconds. Place on plate, drizzle with fresh lemon juice, sprinkle with sugar then roll or fold to eat immediately.





SLATE BELT SENIOR CENTER

Blue Valley Farm Show Complex, Bangor, PA. Phone 610-588-1224 Hours: 8:00am-3:30pm

For Meal Reservations call by 10:00am one day prior to lunch. Cancellations must be done as soon as possible. Lunch is served at 11:30am.

Poker, Tuesday, Feb. 25th, 9:30am

Tai Chi, Tuesdays, 12:15pm

Painting, Wednesdays, 8:00-11:00am

Exercise with Darla, Wednesdays, 10:00am

Zumba Gold, Thursdays, 10:00am

Needle Nook, Thursdays, 9:30-11:00am

Mexican Trains, Friday, Feb. 21st, 12:15pm

Baseball, Friday, Feb. Feb. 21st, 10:00am

Tax Preparation by AARP, Fridays, 9:00-1:00pm

(must have an appointment with AARP)

FEBRUARY SPECIAL EVENTS

Concentration, Friday, Feb. 7th, 12:15pm AARP Meeting, Monday, Feb. 10th, 1:00pm

Farkle, Tuesday, Feb.11th, 10:00 AM & Thursday, Feb. 13th, 12:15pm

Quoits, Friday, Feb. 28th, 10:00am

Diabetes Program, Feb. 27th, 12:15pm (Pre-registration required)

Memory Game, Tuesday, Feb. 25th, 12:15pm

Council Meeting, Thursday, Feb. 27th, 9:00am

Trivia, Friday, Feb. 28th, 12:15am

SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR MARCH

Medicare Fraud, Thursday, March 5th, 10:00am

Voting Machine Practice, Friday, March 6th, 9:00-11am

Closed Caption, Tuesday, March 10th, 10:00am

AARP, Monday 16th, 1:00pm

Green Bingo, Monday, March 16th, 9:30am

Non-cook nutritional meals, Tuesday, March 17th, 12:15pm MUSIC BY J. T. CARTER,, Friday, March 20th, 12:30pm members free, fee for non-members (call for information)

Census Information, Tuesday, March 24th, 10:00am

SLATE BELT SENIOR CENTER NEWS

The Slate Belt Senior Center in keeping with our mission will be hosting FREE health screening for seniors in the Slate Belt Area. Screenings will be led by nursing students under the guidance of their professors. Screenings of blood pressures, medication education related to diabetes heart disease and overall health concerns. All interested seniors are welcome during the hours of 9:00am-11:00am. Dates: April 14th, 16th, 23rd, 28th, and 30th. May 5th, 7th, 19th, 20th, & 21st.

MONROE ANIMAL LEAGUE MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Monroe Animal League will be on Tuesday, March 31st, 7:00 PM at the Eastern Monroe County Library, Rt. 611/N. 9th Street, Stroudsburg. MAL promotes spay/neuter and humane education as a way to control pet overpopulation, and thus relieves cruelty and suffering among animals. We believe this to be the best way to achieve a future with no more homeless animals. All Monroe County animal lovers are encouraged to attend. BRING A FRIEND! MAL needs your help to grow! FMI visit www.monroeanimals.org, join us on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/MonroeAnimalLeague email monroeanimalleague@gmail.com, or call 570-421-7775



NATIONAL DOG BISCUIT DAY - Sunday, February 23rd

PEANUT BUTTER & PUMPKIN DOG BISCUITS

Ingredients:

2 1/2 cups whole wheat flour

2 eggs

1/2 cup canned pumpkin

2 tablespoons peanut butter

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon



Directions: Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Whisk together the flour, eggs, pumpkin, peanut butter, salt, and cinnamon in a bowl. Add water as needed to help make the dough workable, but the dough should be dry and stiff. Roll the dough into a 1/2-inch-thick roll. Cut into 1/2-inch pieces. Bake in preheated oven until hard, about 40 minutes.



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