

Slate Belt Town Topics

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Thursday April 15, 2021

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Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center Community Programs, May 2021

Weekly Weeders

Thursday, May 6 at 8:30am to 10:30am

Thursday, May 13 at 8:30am to 10:30am

Thursday, May 20 at 8:30am to 10:30am

Thursday, May 27 at 8:30am to 10:30am

Interested in learning more about gardening with native plants? Volunteer to work alongside our education staff as they mulch, pull weeds, divide plants, and amend soil in the center's native plant garden. We provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Registration is required.

All participants over the age of two are required to wear a mask in order to participate. All participants are required to maintain a safe social distance at all times during the program. Our written health and safety plan is available upon request. Please register all members of your party as space for this program is limited to 4 attendees total each day.

Avian Gems of Jacobsburg

Saturday, May 8 at 8:00am to 10:00am

Join us on a two-hour search for spring migrants passing through the area and returning summer breeding birds of Jacobsburg! Be prepared for a moderate hike that may involve muddy slopes and uphill climbs. Please bring binoculars, your preferred field guide, water, a snack, and wear sturdy shoes. Please note that the park will not provide binoculars or field guides. This program is best for ages 8 and up. Registration is required. Registrants will be contacted with the meeting location prior to the event. All participants over the age of two are required to wear a mask to participate. All participants are required to maintain a safe social distance at all times during the program. Our written health and safety plan is available upon request. Please register all members of your party including adults and children as space for this program is limited to 15 attendees total.

Virtual: Bird-Window Collision Prevention

Saturday, May 8 at 2:00pm to 2:45pm

This program will be hosted online. Our windows are killing birds. Annually up to one billion birds die from colliding with windows. Learn why it's not big cities and high-rise buildings, but our homes, shopping centers, corporate and college campuses causing the most harm. The presentation will include instructions, so you'll be able to

create materials designed to reduce bird-window collisions. This program is best for ages 16 & up. Registration is required. After registering, you will receive an email with the link to join the program. This presentation is best viewed on a desktop or larger tablet. Please note: this program contains images of dead birds which may make some people uncomfortable.

Bug Hunt

Saturday, May 22 at 2:00pm to 3:00pm

Join us while we take a closer look at bugs or more scientifically, arthropods. We will then try and catch some of these creatures for an up-close encounter. Registration is required. Registrants will be contacted with the meeting location prior to the event. All participants over the age of two are required to wear a mask to participate. All participants are required to maintain a safe social distance at all times during the program. Our written health and safety plan is available upon request. Please register all members of your party including adults and children as space for this program is limited to 15 attendees total.

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Slate Belt News Briefs

Free Community Meal

Join Ackermanville UMC for their monthly community meal at 1410 Ackermanville Rd Bangor,. Drive thru starts at 3 pm, first come, first serve - 100 meals will be prepared. Menu includes:

Parmesan Encrusted Chicken, Baked Beans, Parsley Potatoes, Salad, Bread, Fruit Cup, Cookies

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Food & Wine Festival

The Lehigh Valley Food & Wine Festival is returning in grand style June 3-12, both virtually and at participating restaurants. Plans are in the works for a special online event featuring Chef Emeril Lagasse, the first-ever Lehigh Valley Food & Wine Festival Restaurant Week, and an in-person "sponsors only" event showcasing restaurant favorites from festivals past.

Vendor/Craft Show

The Washington Twp Fire Co. 920 Washington Blvd. will sponsor a Vendor/Craft Show June 6, 2021 from 10am - 4pm.

Vendors/Crafters if you are interest in a space our contact info is on the flyer. Spaces are \$30 for (1) 10ft x 10ft or \$50 for (2) 10ft x 10ft.

All spaces are outdoors and will be socially distanced apart from other vendors. No access to Utilities (water, electric, wifi, etc). Applications must be mailed. Vendors will be accepted as first come, first serve.

Outdoor Event - Rain or Shine. Food and Drinks For Space Info contact, Aundrea Morrison 610-984-7101 or email bdjm@gmail.com



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Slate Belt Y Child Care

The Greater Valley YMCA has announced the expansion of its child care offerings at its Slate Belt location. The Y now offers care for toddlers and preschool children ages 2 through 5 in its newly-constructed child care wing.

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The East Bangor UMC

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Tues., April 13

-7:00 UMW

Thurs., April 15

-7:30 p.m. Bible Study

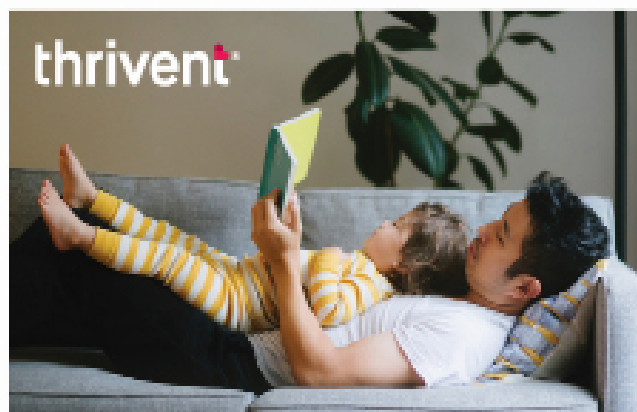
Sat., April 17

-8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Sun., April 18

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Basic Boating Course

Saturday, April 17 at 9:00am to 5:00pm

The PA Basic Boating Course was developed to supply boaters with practical information, so they can make better informed decisions on the water. Instructors provide students with information to help them reduce the risk of injury and conflict on the water.

Students who successfully complete this course may apply for a Boating Safety Education Certificate issued by the Commission. This course will be held indoors and will only take place if there is a change in the current COVID-19 guidelines. Registration required. Updates regarding COVID-19 guidelines will be provided to registered participants via email. For questions call Andy Desko at 215-968-3631.

You can view and register for community programs online at <https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search=jacobsburg>.

All Aspects Restored & Recycled

All Aspects Restored & Recycled is OPEN Thursday, Friday & Saturday from 10-5 and Sunday 11-4;

In addition, they are open Monday- Wednesday or evenings, by appointment.

They are located at 1086 S Delaware Drive in Upper Mount Bethel, PA 18343, on Route 611 across from Twin Gap Farms in Stone Village. Gift Certificates and shipping are also available

Roseto Mailroom Offers Pack, Ship And Drop-Off

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Mail-In Ballot Info

Registered voters who signed up to be on the permanent list to vote by mail will soon receive an application in the mail. Click on the link for an explanation for the reasons for the receipt of a mail-in ballot application and the options for its use.

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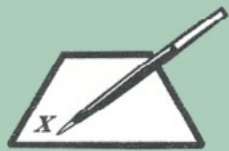
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St. John's Cemetery

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PUMP Needs Your Help

With an increase of 30%-40% of people coming because of COVID-19, PUMP is currently serving 150 - 175 families who receive food weekly from the pantry. All the food is distributed by approximately 30 to 40 volunteers.

Food supply also has risen 25%-30% and continues to come from donations, Second Harvest, Trader Joe's, Northampton County and Salvation Army.

They are asking at this time for the communities cooperation in helping secure the funds to purchase a parcel of land and construction of a new building.

Donations can be sent directly to Portland Upper Mt. Bethel Food Pantry Inc. P.O. Box 69 Portland Pa. 18351 or visit the PUMP at 111 State St, Portland Pa.. Mondays from 9:30 AM to 12 PM.

Sweets & Treats Trail

They are looking for vendors for the May 16 sweets and treats trail in downtown Bangor for Mother's Day. You buy a ticket and go from store to vendor to store and try a different chocolate treat and then it gets judged at the end similar to a chilly trail. They want to have lots of vendors and music. If interested reach out to hbbapa@gmail.com.

Cellar Door in Belvidere

Have you ever heard of The Cellar Door? It is a small business located in Belvidere, NJ.

They carry so many fantastic items including Candleman Creations LLC candles and wax melts!

<https://www.facebook.com/thecellardoormarket/>

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Weona Anniversary Book

Purchase the 100th Anniversary History Book of Weona Park as a nostalgic present for a loved Pen Argyl resident.

Loaded with tons of photographs and information and lovingly put together by Walt Cole. Please contact the author at 610-863-6472. Checks payable to Pen Argyl Park and Athletic Association. Mailing options available

State Food Assistance

Pennsylvania State officials have encouraged all Pennsylvania residents to take full advantage of all food assistance programs, if needed, over the holiday season.

"Pennsylvania's food assistance programs were built for times like these. No one should be too shy to take advantage of the offer," said Russell Redding, secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

But those assets haven't stopped the covid-19 pandemic from destabilizing personal finances and causing heightened food insecurity for millions of residents. Compared to 2018, when roughly 11% of adults in Pennsylvania were food insecure, Redding said 15.5% experience the issue this year.

The difference is even starker when it comes to children in the state. In 2018, 15% children experienced food insecurity. That number has climbed to 24% in 2020.

Local food pantries saw greater demand especially early in the pandemic and through the summer, with miles-long lines at each weekly distribution and millions of pounds of food provided.

"Food insecurity was a problem for millions of Americans before March 2020," said Teresa Miller, secretary of the Department of Human Services.

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Church Rummage/Bake Sale

The Belfast Wesley United Methodist Church Rummage/ Bake Sale will be held May 15 8:00am to 12:00pm, at Belfast Wesley United Methodist Church 607 School Road Nazareth,

Something for everyone. Please come out and join them. For more information please call Teddy at 1-908-235-8811. Masks are required to enter



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GKEDC Scholarships

The Green Knight Economic Development Corp (GKEDC) has awarded approximately \$200,000 in scholarships to over 50 high school seniors who live in the Pen Argyl School District and who will be continuing his/her education in a college program. GKEDC accepts scholarship applications annually from approximately April 1 through May 8th.

Scholarship Information

1. The scholarships will be awarded to individuals who reflect the ideals of community service and environmental stewardship, and who are seeking a higher education to further advance these ideals into their professional careers.

2. Any graduating high school senior who lives in the Pen Argyl School District and who will be continuing his/her education in a college program is eligible to receive this award.

3. This scholarship will be in the amount of \$4000, to be distributed in four segments over the course of a four-year college program.

- The first segment of \$1000 will be rewarded upon receipt of a certificate of admission or a letter of acceptance received by GKEDC by June 1.

- The remaining yearly distributions of \$1000 are dependent on the student taking at least 24 credits per year and successfully maintaining, at a minimum, a cumulative grade point average of 2.5. Grades received during the freshman, sophomore, and junior years must be submitted to GKEDC as proof each June before the next segment of the award will be given.

- Students attending a two-year college and continuing on to obtain their bachelor's degree will qualify for the entire scholarship.

- Monies not rewarded due to ineligibility will remain the property of GKEDC. If a recipient leaves the institution and there are scholarship funds remaining, the institution shall return the balance of the GKEDC Scholarship Award.

4. Parents are urged to encourage their children to apply for the scholarship.

5. The recipients will be announced at their high school's Awards Banquet or equivalent.

6. Scholarships can be used for tuition, books, laboratory fees, and other academic costs; additionally, the scholarship may be used for room and board when the student is housed under the control of the institution.

7. Scholarship checks will be sent directly to the Financial Aid Offices of the institutions involved at the end of the third week of August.

8. If a scholarship winner must delay their education for any reason, the recipient must contact the GKEDC in writing as soon as possible. The scholarship will be held up to two years from the date of high school graduation. After that time, the GKEDC will have the discretion to continue holding or to withdraw the scholarship award as they see fit.

Scholarship applications will be accepted from April 1 through May 8, 2020. Download a form at <http://gkedc.org/scholarship/index.html>

Unwanted Med Disposal

Residents are urged to remove expired, unwanted, or unused medicines from the home to reduce the chance of accidents or misuse and to prevent the drugs from entering the environment.

Most municipal buildings in Northampton County, including the Courthouse at 669 Washington St. in Easton, offer collections for unused prescription medication. In the Slate Belt go to ...

Washington Township 1021 Wash. BVLD, Bangor

Slate Belt Regional Police 6292 Sullivan Trail, Naz.

Hotline for Human Services

Northampton County has a 24-hour Emergency hotline for all Human Services-related emergencies. Anyone struggling with a mental health crisis, abuse, neglect, suicidal thoughts, evictions, substance abuse, food insecurity, etc. can call 610-252-9060 for help and referrals.

West Bangor Memorial Day Service

The West Bangor Memorial Association will not be sponsoring the annual Memorial Day services on May 15, 2021 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Home Heating Assistance

LIHEAP is a federally funded program that helps individuals and families pay their heating bills through home heating energy assistance grants. It also provides crisis grants to help in the event of an emergency or if a resident is in danger of losing his or her heat due to broken equipment, lack of fuel or termination of utility service.

The income eligibility guidelines for LIHEAP are set at 150% of the federal poverty income level. For example, the income limit for an individual is \$18,735; for a couple, the limit is \$25,365; and for a family of four, it is \$38,625. Residents may apply for LIHEAP online or by contacting the County Assistance Office in their county of residence.

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County Assistance

In light of Pennsylvania's eviction moratorium expiring on August 31st, Lamont McClure reminds residents that Northampton County has approximately \$3.6 million available for rental assistance, rapid rehousing and utility payments. The Department of Human Services and the Department of Community and Economic Development worked together to develop the Community Mediation and Eviction Diversion Program (CMED). CMED offers experienced mediators, emergency financial assistance and rapid rehousing to prevent homelessness. Contact: Third Street Alliance at 610-438-1763 or email Ziana Keith at zkeith@thirdstreetalliance.org

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Weona Park Pool Study

To read about Pen Argyl's Pool Feasibility study

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Blood Donors Needed

Miller-Keystone Blood Center is seeking donors. Recent storms have cancelled blood drives and supplies are running low. Miller-Keystone has 6 donor centers located throughout the region with extended hours. Anyone interested in donating should call 1-800-B-A-DONOR or make an appointment at <https://www.giveapint.org/>

Food Pantry

Did you know The Salvation Army of Pen Argyl has a food pantry?

If you or anyone you know are in need of food, you are welcome to come Tuesdays from 10AM-12 Noon. Curbside pick-up provided. Questions? Please call 610-863-6677

Aging Agency Call Line

Lamont McClure and the Area Agency on Aging Division (AAA) are operating a call line on Friday mornings for Northampton County Seniors to make appointments for COVID-19 vaccinations.

This service is intended for those who lack computer or internet access. AAA staff members will make 100 appointments per clinic date.

Vaccination clinics will be held at the Wind Creek Event Center at 77 Wind Creek Blvd. Bethlehem, PA.

Residents of Bethlehem City and Northampton County who are age sixty-five and older can call 610-865-7092 to schedule an appointment for a vaccination. AAA employees will also assist with registration at the Wind Creek clinics.

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Filetown Road Closure

The Filetown Road (S.R. 1006) Bridge will be closed and have a detour plan in place from Monday, March 22, 2021 to Monday, August 16, 2021. Please note that this is a Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) project, and it will not be managed by Plainfield Township officials.

Spring Business Showcase

A Spring Business Showcase and Yard Sale will be held June 12 at 1310 Blue Valley Dr., Pen Argyl behind Pets Plus/Ignite Fitness.

Enjoy shopping with your Slate Belt Business owners as well as their yard sale vendors!

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Lehigh Valley Walk for Life

What better way to reflect on all that God has done through Bright Hope over the past 40 years than to go for a walk with purpose? Their 40th Anniversary Walk for Life fundraising goal is \$40,000. The funds raised will go towards supporting the ongoing client services in their clinics including pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, STI testing, prenatal vitamins as well as virtual and in-person ongoing education classes on pregnancy, parenting, healthy relationships and life skills.

This year, due to continued COVID-19 restrictions, they will be holding The Lehigh Valley Walk for Life in-person and virtually on Saturday, May 1st at 9:00am.

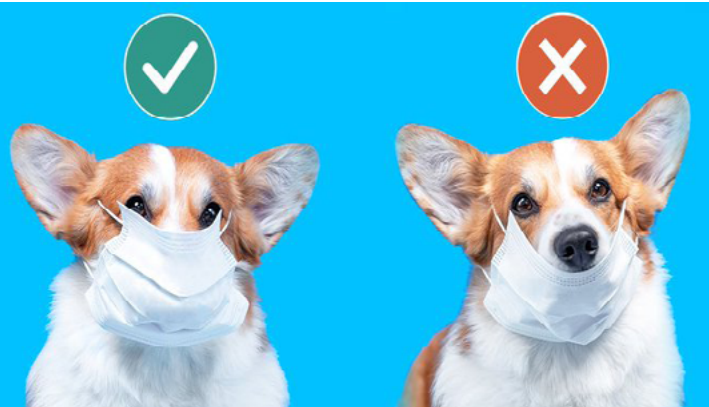
The in-person Walk for Life will take place at The Bethlehem Township Community Center at Pavilion one. Attendance to the in-person walk is capped at 125 people and you must register in advance. Masks will be required.

For those who feel more comfortable walking virtually, we completely understand. Please still register and be sure to mark yourself as a virtual walker. We will get a sponsorship form to you electronically or by mail. Please take photos and share them with us the day of the event!

Everyone who registers for our 40th Anniversary Walk for Life will receive a t-shirt for participating -- both in person and virtually. Please be sure to mark your t-shirt size when you register.

To join us for our 40th Anniversary Lehigh Valley Walk for Life, register by clicking this link <https://secure.ministrysync.com/ministrysync/event/?e=21362> or calling 610-821-4000 and ask for Amity.

Remember all the restaurants and small businesses that you've asked for years and years to donate to your clubs, events, and organizations? They're calling in a favor. Answer the call.



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DAY CAMP 2021

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- Sports & Outdoor Activities
- Character Development
- Inclusion Support for Special Needs
- Licensed, Full Day Programs
- Weekly Rates

Like many Y youth programs, our camp is about learning skills, developing character and making friends. But few environments are as special as day camp, where kids become a community as they learn both how to be more independent and how to contribute to a group as they engage in physical, social and educational activities.

Stop by your branch And pick up a Registration packet!

Day Camp Counselors Needed - Apply today.
gv-ymca.org

Greater Valley Ymca Slate Belt Branch
315 West Pennsylvania Ave Pen Argyl, PA 18072

STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS
Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19.

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Where To Eat

Little Creek BBQ

Hours: Thurs, Fri & Sat 2-7. Sun. 12-5. Closed Mon, Tue, Wed. 610-588-3831. Info: [Click Here](#)

Sal's Pizza

Sal's Pizza 487 E. Moorestown Road, Wind Gap. 610-863-7665. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Doughboys

230 W. Moorestown Rd, Wind Gap. . 610-759-3776. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Pen Argyl Pizza

Pen Argyl Pizza 510 E. Main St, Pen Argyl. 610-863-6670. More Info: [Click Here](#)

512 Restaurant

512 Restaurant 2 East Pennsylvania Ave, Pen Argyl. 610-881-4540. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Detzi's Tavern

Detzi's Tavern 570 North Lehigh Ave., Wind Gap. 863-9882. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Slate Pub

Slate Pub 509 E. Main St., Pen Argyl. 610-881-4700. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Broadway Pub

Broadway Pub 62 Broadway, Bangor. 610-452-9226. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Boar Barbecue

Boar Barbecue 690 Allegheny Road, Mt. Bethel. 484-908-3407. **CLOSED FOR SEASON.** More Info: [Click Here](#)

Five Points Grill & Pub

Five Points Grill & Pub 1001 Mt. Bethel Highway, Mt. Bethel. 610-588-1773. . More Info: [Click Here](#)

M & M Vineyards

M & M Vineyards 18 Shepherds Hill Dr. Bangor. See their website at. <http://mmvineyards.com>

Dinky's

Dinky's Ice Cream Parlor Rte 191 and Broadway in Bangor. More info [Click Here](#)

Clever Girl Winery

Clever Girl Winery's 15 Broadway in Bangor (484) 484-8907 www.clevergirlwinery.com/

Napoli Pizza

Dine-In, pick up & delivery. 610-588-1455, 444 S 1st St, Bangor. [Click Here](#)

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Slate Belt Diner

610-452-9205, 370 Blue Valley Drive. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Daisy Family Restaurant

6589 Sullivan Trail Wind Gap, (610) 863-4044. More info: [Click Here](#)

Three Brothers Pizza

Three Brothers Pizza at Plainfield Diner, Sullivan Trail. 610-863-4950 .More Info: [Click Here](#)

Mt. Bethel Diner

570-897-6409, 2600 N. Delaware Drive, Mt. Bethel, Pa 18343. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Family & Friends

610-759-7477. Rt 512 Wind Gap. More info: [Click Here](#)

Gap Diner

Rt. 512 Wind Gap. More info: [Click Here](#)

TK's Restaurant

570-897-6112. Rt 611, Mt. Bethel More info: [Click Here](#)

Fuher's Tavern & Grill

104 Main St., Portland (570) 897-5590.

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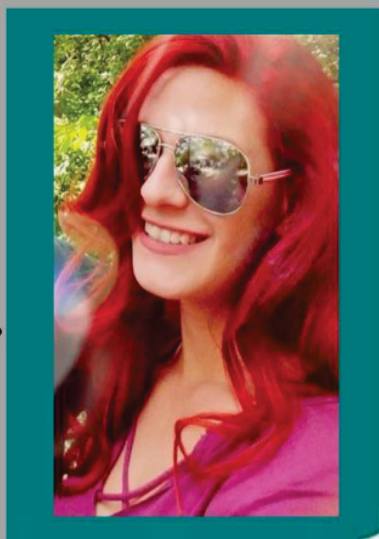
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TRICKY TRAY FOR THERESA WINELANDER

Theresa has recently lost her battle to stage 4 cervical cancer. She was only 27 years old with 2 children, a 10-year-old son & a 2-year-old daughter. Join us in raising money for her children and to help cover her expenses.



**LOTS OF BASKETS/PRIZES
INCLUDING HIGH-VALUE ITEMS
FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!**

PLEASE JOIN US!

**APRIL 25, 2021
DOORS OPEN 1PM**

**East Bangor Park
Park Road, East Bangor**

Join Zoom Paint Night With Bloom

Come to a Zoom Paint Night on Friday April 9th from 6:30-8pm. This is geared towards elementary aged children but would be fun for the whole family!

Artist Karin will guide each painter step by step over Zoom to create this adorable Zebra. Kits are \$12 each and include basic instructions, paints, canvas and brushes.

They are available for purchase at <http://www.bloombangor.org/shop/zebra> and will be ready for pick up in the studio at 34 Broadway beginning on Tuesday April 6 at 11am.

Pick up your kit Tuesday - Friday April 6-9th between 11am and 5pm. A Zoom link will be sent via email on Friday morning. They look forward to seeing you on ZOOM!!!

Barnes Petting Zoo in Mt. Bethel

Welcome to Barnes Yard Petting Zoo! We are the home of the Rainbow Ponies. We serve the Lehigh Valley, New Jersey and beyond for all of your petting zoo and pony needs. Our goal is to take the "what is that?" factor out of the common equation that is human beings living in harmony with animals. PO Box 322 Mount Bethel PA 18343 (570) 269-3361 barnesyardpettingzoo@gmail.com

In 2020, COVID-19 was the third leading cause of death in the U.S.*

PROVISIONAL 2020 DEATHS



* Provisional National Vital Statistics System (NVSS) death certificate data on underlying causes of death among U.S. residents in the United States during January-December 2020

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Slate Belt Rising Scholarships

Slate Belt Rising, a program of Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley, announced it is now accepting applications for its 2021 Scholarship Program. The \$500 scholarships are available to high school seniors who have been accepted at a four-year university/college, community college, technical school, or entering the workforce in a trade; as well as adults continuing their education. Applicants must reside in the Bangor Area School District or Pen Argyl School District.

Applicants are required to submit an application, two letters of recommendation, and official school transcripts. Scholarship funds must be used exclusively for tuition at post-secondary educational institutions that normally maintain a regular faculty and curriculum, and for fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for courses at such institutions, for room and board expenses payable to the institution, or for the purchase of tools for a student entering the workforce in a trade.

Bangor High School Bands Hosting Fundraising Shoe Drive April 16,17

The public is invited to participate in a shoe drive Friday, April 16th from 2:30-5:30 PM & Saturday, April 17th from 9AM-noon at Bangor Area High School (Theater entrance); 187 Five Points Richmond Rd. Bangor, to raise funds for the Bangor Area HS Bands. Donations of gently worn, used and new shoes will be accepted. The money raised is determined by the total weight of the shoes collected.

All donated shoes will be redistributed to micro-enterprise partners through Funds2Orgs, a for profit social enterprise, and used in developing nations for impoverished people to start their own businesses.

By donating your gently worn, used and news shoes to the Bangor Area High School Bands, your shoes are given a second chance to make a difference.

The Bangor Area High School "Slater" Bands have been the pride of the Slate Belt for generations. Drawing on the area's unique Welsh history, the marching band has served as musical ambassadors to the community in regionally, nationally and internationally over most of the past century. The Concert and Jazz ensembles are consistently recognized for students' superior musicianship. Over 100 students regularly are involved in the Bangor Area High School Band Program. It is the goal of the Bangor Bands to develop young adults who value responsibility, community & excellence in music and all aspects of their lives.



Fourth Monday Book Study

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church will offer a "Fourth Monday Book Study" (April through July) discussing Gordon MacDonald's novel, "Who Stole My Church: What to Do When the Church You Love Tries to Enter the 21st Century". The book can be purchased through booksellers such as: Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and Cokesbury. Please read Chapters 1-4 in preparation for the first session, April 26th, which will be on Zoom from 7-8 p.m. Go to www.ebumc.org for Zoom log-in information. (Pastor Dave Goss, 610-588-4453)

Gardening Party For Adults

Join a Gardening Party For Adults Sunday April 11 from 12-2.

- Understand Seed Packets (when to plant and where)!
 - How to start seeds and transplant started plants!
 - Step by Step instructions to care for your plants!
 - Let us help you with your gardening plans!
- Farm and Forest LLC. and Aurelia's Kickin' Kitchen are teaming up to deliver a value packed Gardening Party/Class, at the farm.

Whether you're a beginner who has never planted anything in your life or if you're a seasoned gardener looking to make starting your garden a little easier this year, you won't want to miss out on this!!

Planning a traditional garden, a raised garden or even a container garden, this garden party will have you gardening ready.

With over 70 started plants you will have the perfect size garden to feed your family this summer! Or, if it's just you, your friends will love you for all the fresh produce you can share with them!

Come plant with them.

Invite your friends, family members, neighbors, etc. Better yet, tag them below. And let's get to planting

Register Online

<https://FARMANDFORESTLLC.square.site>

Weekly Weeders at Jacobsburg

Thursday, April 15 at 8:30am to 10:30am

Thursday, April 22 at 8:30am to 10:30am

Interested in learning more about gardening with native plants? Volunteer to work alongside our education staff as they mulch, pull weeds, divide plants, and amend soil in the center's native plant garden.

They provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Registration is required.

All participants over the age of two are required to wear a mask in order to participate. All participants are required to maintain a safe social distance at all times during the program. Our written health and safety plan is available upon request.

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Womens - Only Ride

The Cyclemaster of Wind Gap's first Womens-Only Ride will be held on Sunday, April 18th (weather depending), at the Plainfield Township Trail #3 located right off Rt. 191 near Sawmill Golf Course. Meet at Parking lot at 9:00am, Riders will depart 9:15. Look for Jenn wearing her Cycle Masters jersey at the trail head.

All skill levels are welcome, please remember they are NOT a competitive group, so if that is what you are looking for they are not the group for you.

If you have any questions, please email the shop and please bring a friend. Looking forward to riding with you all and getting to meet new friends.

Bushkill Township Area Yard Sales

Residents of Bushkill Township will be having yard sales at their homes on Friday July 30th and Saturday July 31 from 9am-5pm.

Check registration list for specifics- some addresses will have additional days or adjusted times based on residents preference

Message Bushkill Community Yard Sale on Facebook or email them for a list of addresses, including a maps link for a convenient route to be sure you get to all the locations.

To be added to the list: If you are a resident of Bushkill Twsp and not registered yet, but would like to be, message us to be added to the vendor page



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- Ham & Swiss Cheese w or w/o Onions
- Turkey & American w or w/o Onions

Call/Text 484-903-4556
\$ Due April 13 at Fire Hall (5-6:30pm)
Pick Up at Fire Hall April 21 (4-6pm)

Signs of Spring Hike

Saturday, April 10 at 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Looking for a way to beat the winter doldrums? Search for wildflowers, new plant growth, migrating birds and other signs of spring. Be prepared for a moderate hike that may involve muddy slopes and uphill climbs. Bring binoculars, camera, water and snack, and wear sturdy shoes. Registration required. Registrants will be contacted with the meeting location prior to the event. All participants over the age of two are required to wear a mask in order to participate. All participants are required to maintain a safe social distance at all times during the program. Our written health and safety plan is available upon request. Register all members including adults and children. Space is limited to 15 attendees total.

Celestial Wildlife

Saturday, April 10 at 7:30pm to 9:30pm

Did you know that the night sky is filled with all sorts of wildlife? Join us for this nighttime adventure as we use our imagination and search the sky for bears, lions, dogs, bulls and even dragons! Please dress warmly and wear sturdy shoes. Bring a blanket to sit on, a flashlight (with a red filter if available), water, a snack, and binoculars if you have them. Please note that the park will not provide telescopes at this program. This program is best for families with children ages 8 and up. Registration is required. Registrants will be contacted with the meeting location prior to the event. All participants over the age of two are required to wear a mask in order to participate. All participants are required to maintain a safe social distance at all times during the program. Our written health and safety plan is available upon request. Please register all members of your party including adults and children as space for this program is limited to 15 attendees total.

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Parents, Partners, and Loved Ones

Parents, Partners, Loved Ones Program will be held Tuesday, April 27 from 6 pm – 8 pm at Recovery Revolution, Inc 109 Broadway, Bangor. The program is designed to help cope with the devastating impact addiction has on families. Learn skills and coping techniques to be well and educate yourself to the effects on families.

Paint Box Art Club

Annual Paint Box Art Club Exhibit is open to the Public in the Nazareth Center for the Arts Gallery every Saturday and Sunday in April from 2 to 4 p.m. Some days besides those above may get added to the schedule. Please check their website or Facebook page for updates. A Good Time to Celebrate Tradition. Paint Box Art Club has been painting and promoting art in the Lehigh Valley since the seventies. These days, the club holds its meetings at the Nazareth Center for the Arts, but it started out in a restored, old farm outbuilding along Sullivan Trail in Belfast.

Family Food Truck Friday

Join Tolino's for another amazing season of Family Food Truck Fridays! Every Friday from May through Sept they are open from 12-8pm, with live music kicking off at 5pm! Each week Juan with Annapurna Wood Fired Pizza will be serving tasty pizza starting at 4pm and starting Memorial Day Weekend there will be 2 trucks. Chill on Wheels ice cream truck will drop by with frozen treats for the kiddos. Wine by the glass or bottle, wine flights, wine slushies and craft beer available for sale. (Please, no outside alcohol allowed on property.) Guests can grab a table, but we always recommend throwing a blanket in your car just in case. Join us for a beautiful end to the week. May 7 Music by Moondogs, Food by Annapurna's Wood fired pizza.

Cowboys 'N' Canadians

Cowboys 'N' Canadians at Hardball Cider Sunday, April 25, 12:00 pm – 7:00pm, 805 Orchard Rd, Mt Bethel. The Flying V food truck is whipping up authentic Canadian poutine starting at noon; delicious fresh-cut french fries, drenched in cheese curds, gravy and various toppings. Glenn Robert's Band cranks up live country jams from 2-5pm. Cider, wine, slushies, and craft beer available for outdoor seating. No Cover, monitored kids and leashed dogs always welcome. Please bring ID. Feel free to bring your own pop up canopies, folding chairs, and small tables in case they run out. Bar opens at noon. No reservations, so grab your spot.

Smoked Pulled Pork Take-Out Dinner

Smoked Pulled Pork Take-Out Dinner, Saturday, April 24, 2021 4:00 PM Washington Township Volunteer Fire Company, Route 191 just south of Bangor. Cost is \$15:00 per meal. Includes. Smoked Pulled Pork Sandwich Baked Beans Coleslaw Cornbread Chocolate Chip Cookie, BBQ sauce on side Call 610-588-2113 or 610-588-6417 Monday Nights at Firehouse from 6:30-8pm, or Lane's Auto Repair Monday- Friday 8am-5pm All Orders are Pre-Ordered/Pre-Paid by Monday, April 19.

Breast Friends Coach Bingo

Charter's Banquet Facility at Plainfield Township Volunteer Fire Company 6480 Sullivan Trail, Wind Gap,, 12:00pm. The afternoon will feature 15 games of bingo and 1 Buy in game grand finale. An authentic Coach handbag will be going to the individual winner of each game. All participants will have an opportunity to purchase 50/50, Raffle tickets and extra sets of bingo packs. All tickets will most likely sell out in pre sales. Admission is \$30 per person pre-sale Till March 19, 2021 March 20 til Bingo Day 35.00 Space is limited to 300 guests. Tickets can be purchased in advance and are non-refundable –

Pen Argyl Spring Vendor Event

The Pen Argyl Spring Vendor Event will be held April 24 (Rain date April 25) from 10:00am - 3:00pm. Robinson Ave. Pen Argyl. This will be an event you won't want to miss! Come enjoy a beautiful spring day outdoors and shop with over 70 of wonderful small business vendors. Grab yourself a drink. some delicious food and enjoy the day filled with entertainment, shopping, and more.

Columcille Tours

Celtic storyteller Tom Egan leads walking tours at 9 a.m. every other Saturday through Oct. 9. Tours start from the stone circle and last until about 11:30 a.m. No reservations are needed, but masks and social distancing are required. Water, bug repellent and sturdy footwear are recommended. The park, located at 2155 Fox Gap Road, Bangor, is open daily from dawn to dusk

Cheese Steaks Are Back

Cheese steaks are featured in the Bangor Elks Friday Dinner Special for April 9th Serving from 6pm to 8pm. Call in orders encouraged but not necessary. 484-903-2126 Cheese Steak with chips \$7 When calling in order please specify if you want sauce and onions!

Plant, Yard, Bake Sale

St Peter's Annual Plant, Yard, Bake Sale 1422 Church Rd, Pen Argyl, PA. Saturday, May 15, 2021 at 9 AM EDT – 1 PM EDT. Come out for their annual Plant, Yard Bake Sale. Vegetable plants, annuals and perennial flowers. Molasses crumb, cherry and rhubarb pies, cakes, cookies, brownies, and more. Lunch to Go (bar-b-que, hot dogs, chips, etc. Spaces available for your yard sale items or crafts - \$10 (table not included). Contact the church office for more details (610-863-6859) All proceeds will benefit God's Garden of Grace and their four local food pantries.

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