

# Slate Belt Town Topics

## NEWS TODAY NOT NEXT WEEK

### Scoreboard

#### Basketball

**Northampton 52 Bangor Boys 42**

Bangor: Prado 10, Bucher 8, Farensbach 4,  
Koza 6, Singer 4, Cruciani 10, Merlo 0.

**3-Pointers:** Prado 2, Cruciani 2.



#### Wrestling

##### Battle on the Delaware

(1) Honesdale 193.0, (2) Delaware Valley 186.0, (3) Bethlehem Freedom 180.0, (4) **Bangor 98.0**, (5) Hazleton Area 86.0, (6) Lackawanna Trail 82.0, (7) North Pocono 42.0

##### Championship Quarterfinals

127 - Nicholas Lyden (Bethlehem Freedom) dec. **Carter Smith**, 7-2  
145 - **David Siple**y pinned Tristan Gannon (Delaware Valley), 3:46  
152 - **Jaxson Kreider** pinned Kyle Clancy (North Pocono), 4:59  
160 - **Riley Waldron** pinned Matthew Vargas (Hazleton Area), 0:28  
189 - **Sam Woolverton** dec. Ethan Koloski (Delaware Valley), 11-4  
189 - **Austin Richards** pinned Chris Kohinsky (Lackawanna Trail), 1:24  
215 - Joe Antidormi (North Pocono) pinned **T.J. McLain**, 1:09  
285 - Evan Funk (Honesdale) dec. **Gianni Goodrich**, SV-1 3-1

##### Championship Semifinals

139 - **Aidan McNulty** pinned Brady Colville (Delaware Valley), 1:09  
145 - **David Siple**y dec. Keenan Ray (Bethlehem Freedom), 8-4  
152 - Duke Martin (Honesdale) dec. **Jaxson Kreider**, 9-3  
160 - Travis Walton (Delaware Valley) pinned **Riley Waldron**, 3:12  
189 - Joel Landry (Honesdale) pinned **Austin Richards**, 3:06  
189 - Jared Karabinus (Bethlehem Freedom) pinned **Sam Woolverton**, 1:06

##### Consolation Semifinals

127 - **Carter Smith** pinned Aldring Jimenez-Gomez (Hazleton Area), 1:40  
215 - **T.J. McLain** pinned Colin Owens (Lackawanna Trail), 1:00  
285 - Derek Kilmer (Lackawanna Trail) dec. **Gianni Goodrich**, 9-5

##### Seventh Place

285 - **Gianni Goodrich** pinned Eric Pipeynski (North Pocono), 0:38

##### Fifth Place

127 - **Carter Smith** pinned Connor McHugh (North Pocono), 1:42  
215 - Robert Anderson (Hazleton Area) pinned **T.J. McLain**, 1:20

##### Third Place

152 - **Jaxson Kreider** pinned Dan Alvarado (Delaware Valley), 2:17  
160 - Isaac Ryon (Lackawanna Trail) pinned **Riley Waldron**, 3:23  
189 - **Sam Woolverton** pinned **Austin Richards**, 3:26

##### Championship Finals

139 - **Aidan McNulty** dec. Landen Estus (Honesdale), 7-5  
145 - Dom Moyer (Delaware Valley) pinned **David Siple**y, 1:35

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#### Asthma (0-Good 10-Worst)

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#### Sinus (0-Good 10-Worst)

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Moderate to heavy rain today through tonight with rainfall amounts of 2 to 3 inches forecast, and locally higher amounts near 4 inches possible. This excessive rainfall may lead to some flooding.

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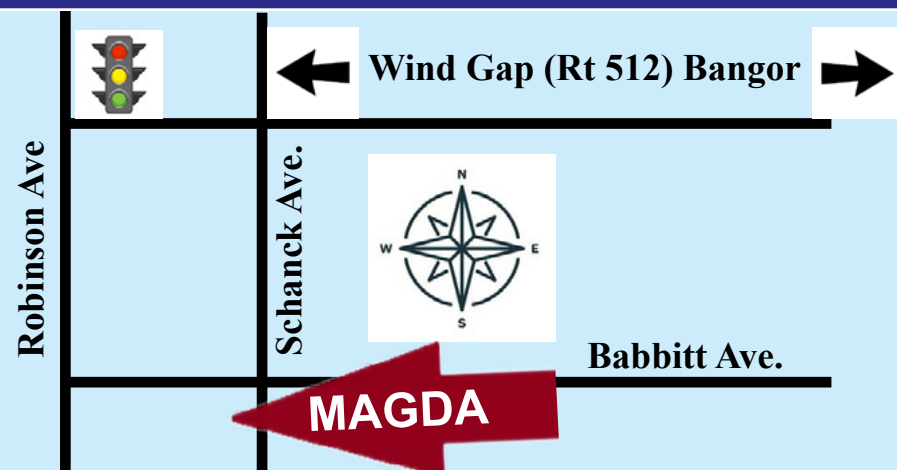
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PHOTO GALLERY

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# One In 3 Don't Count Traveling Home For Holidays A True Vacation

Seven In 10 Said They Would Need A Separate Vacation After The Holiday Break

by Talker Research

Visiting your family for the holidays? According to a new survey, you might need a vacation after your vacation.

In the poll of 2,000 US holiday travelers, a third (34%) don't count traveling home for the holidays as a true "vacation."

In fact, 71% of them said they'd likely need a separate vacation afterwards to unwind and relax.

In order to feel relaxed again, the study — commissioned by IHG Hotels & Resorts and conducted by OnePoll — found people would gladly jump at the chance to take a nap in a large, comfy bed (60%), soak in a jacuzzi (46%) or book a spa day (42%).

Over half (57%) of travelers are plan to stay with friends and family, while 34% are looking to stay elsewhere.

Six in 10 said they love to visit their friends and family over the holidays, but admit they feel "exhausted" by the end of the trip.

When visiting family, 43% said it makes them feel like they're being parented as if they were a kid again. For a quarter of respondents (28%), that means being left feeling annoyed, frustrated or sad.

Those choosing to not stay with friends and relatives are finding sanctuary in hotels (55%), bed-n-breakfasts (40%), hostels (40%) or in short-term rentals (25%).

According to holiday travelers, the perks of staying in a hotel include having more space to themselves (34%), being able to relax and get taken care of by someone else (34%), getting some quiet time (32%), being themselves (29%) and not having to clean after meals (27%).

The first thing they'll do after checking into a hotel usually includes the simple pleasures: enjoying the silence (23%), booking a massage (18%) or just taking a nap (17%).

"The holidays often go hand-in-hand with traveling to see loved ones – but as much as we enjoy visiting friends and family, it can leave us feeling drained," said Connor Smith, Vice President of Masterbrand Strategy at IHG Hotels & Resorts. "When that happens, people want to relax, be taken care of and not worry about cleaning their room in the morning."

The poll found 86% of travelers prefer to stay somewhere quiet and clean to relax in after the hubbub of visiting with family all day during the holidays.



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## Storm Total Snow



A surge of cold air late tonight through Monday morning will result in rain changing to snow in eastern Pennsylvania and northern New Jersey.

2 to 3 inches of snow is forecast for the Pocono Plateau, however totals near 5 inches are possible at elevations above 1,800 feet. This could make travel during the Monday morning commute difficult.

Farther south into the I-78 corridor and Berks County, a dusting may occur.

A transition to snow may occur as far south as the I-95 corridor, however no accumulation is expected there.

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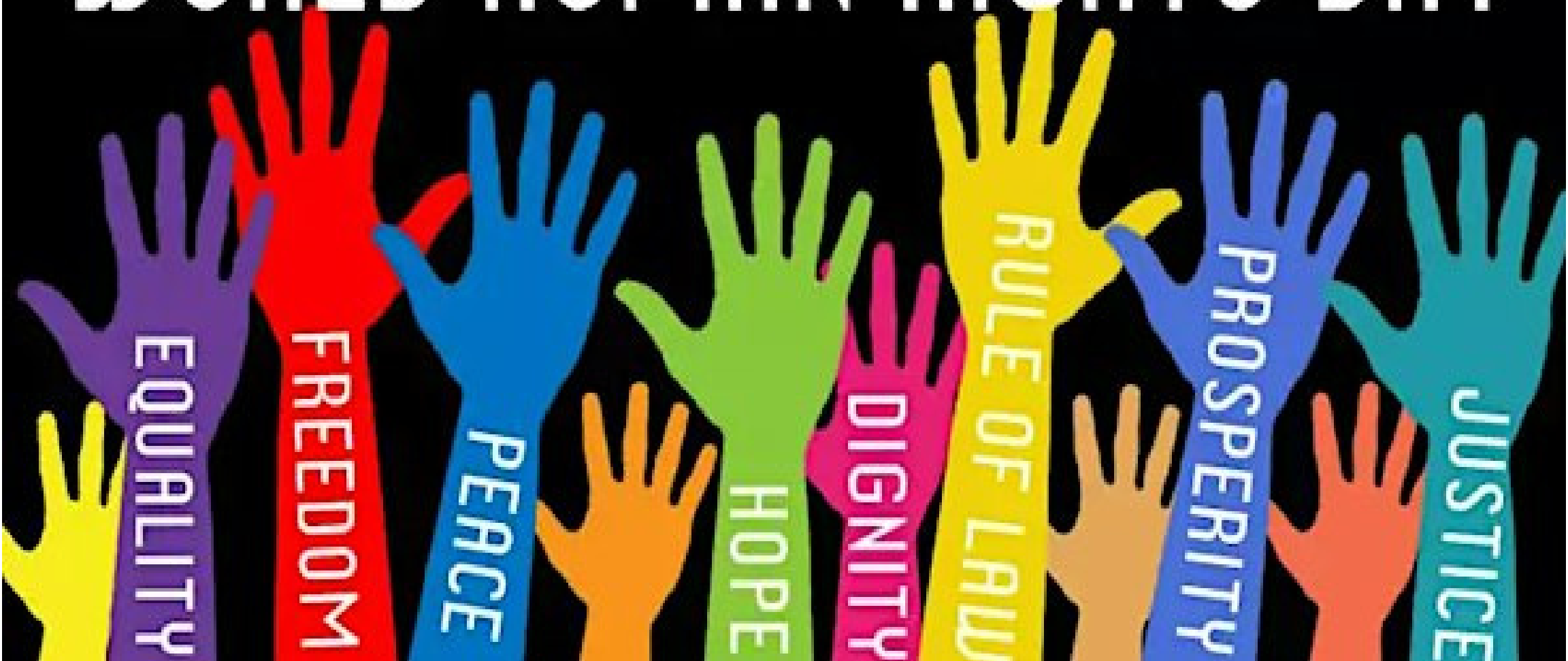
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# WORLD HUMAN RIGHTS DAY



Human Rights Day on December 10th annually seeks to honor the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR). Representatives from different cultural backgrounds all over the world drafted the UDHR. Once the United Nations formed, it was one of its first significant achievements. The UDHR contains a preamble along with 30 articles that discuss specific human rights. The entire document discusses universal values for all peoples and all nations

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**Bangor Womens Club Members Barbara LaBar and Yvonne Humphreys present check to Director Kathleen Lynch Bangor Public Library The Womens Club decorated beautiful fresh holiday wreaths and sold them. Proceeds of \$575 and were donated to the Library. Fund raising members were Bonnie Due, Betty Josephson, Carolyn Smith, and Heidi Bates.**

# Winter Wine Down

Come out of hibernation and spend the day at the Winter Wine Down. 11:00am January 13 at the Palmer Park Mall. For those who are over 21+ (must have valid ID), can purchase their wristband to sample delicious wines from a variety of wineries and purchase your favorite bottles to take home!

While you're sampling those delicious wines be sure to utilize your scorecard and pick your favorite winery! The winery with the most votes will be awarded a trophy.

While you're there don't forget to shop with a unique selection of vendors and crafters who will be lined up throughout the mall!

Tickets for this wine tasting feature of the event can be purchased on Eventbrite for \$20 or at the door for \$25. \*\*\*You must have your valid photo ID to redeem your ticket at the event in order to get your wrist band. NO EXCEPTIONS. All ticket sales are final. No refunds.\*\*

# Elks Hoop Shoot

The annual Bangor Elks Hoop Shoot will be held Saturday December 16 at Washington Township Elementary School.

Registration is 8:30am, Questions, call Glenn Miller at 610-703-0070.

# Bangor Students Qualify For District 10 Band

Six students from Bangor Area High School have been selected to the the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 10 band. They are Nicholas Janneck – Clarinet, Rachel Finkbeiner – Trumpet, Sarah Moore – Trumpet. Bean Cesari – Horn, Eric Goffinet - Euphonium (1st chair) and Brandon Martinho – Tuba. They were among hundreds of students who auditioned from schools in the counties of Berks, Carbon, Lehigh, Monroe, Northampton, Pike, and Schuylkill. Of those, 130 were selected to create the District 10 Band.

The district band concert will take place on Saturday, January 13th at 3PM at Exeter Township HS in Reading, PA

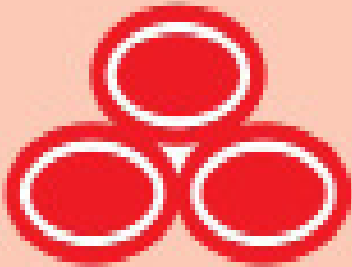
# Festival of Peculiarities

Welcome to the world of the strange and unusual at the South Mall 11:00am Saturday April 20. This is the place where there is always something odd around each corner or should we say on each table. Take a stroll and explore the sustainably sourced specimens, creepy dolls, handcrafted oddities, taxidermy, and much more.

Would you like to join us for this unique event? Simply text (272)-200-8163 or email [kstocker@blueflameevents.co](mailto:kstocker@blueflameevents.co). You can also click the link below for the registration. The cost is \$45 per space.

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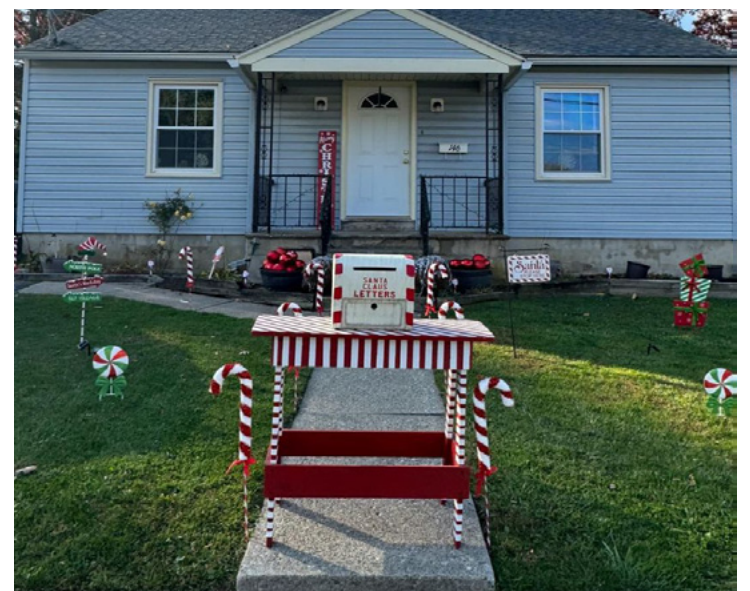
# Bangor Girls Youth Night

## Santa's Mailbox Enters It's Fourth Season

Santa's magic mailbox is back again for the 4th year. The elves will be accepting handwritten letters for Santa from November 5th through December 10th. Every letter that Santa receives during this time period will receive a hand written letter back from him. The magic mailbox is located at 146 S. 9th St., Bangor, PA 18013. It will be at the end of the walkway and the magic mailbox will be outside daily from 8AM until dark. If it is raining, the mailbox will not be outside.



Note: Santa receives HUNDREDS of letters in this mailbox every season and it takes Santa time to write back. Please understand that Santa's elves will not respond to messages or posts asking about the status of the letter. All responses from Santa will be received via USPS before Christmas Eve. We also ask that when dropping the letter off, please do not open the mailbox and move the mailbox for any reason. In addition, letters with no name or address will not receive a response.



## “Growing Up Slater”

The Slate Belt Heritage Center has published another wonderful book filled with local Slate Belt memories. Authored by Nancy Traves Broadbent and Marc Blau, readers will be transported back to the 50's & 60's, when growing up in the Slate Belt taught all of us manners, trust, love for family and community.

Take a walk down memory lane, relive your days at school, the Bee Hive, and take a walk around the block. Add your own memories to your copy and share with your family. This will make a wonderful gift for the holidays.

A book signing will be held at the Heritage Center on Saturday, December 9th from Noon-2:00 PM. If you would like to pre-order send \$25.00 (with your name, address, phone number, email) to the Center and your book will be waiting for you at the day of signing.

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You can drop a wrap gift with child's name and address off at the firehouse any Monday evening and Santa will deliver on Dec 16th we plan on starting around 9am. Donations to help offset our cost is greatly appreciated.

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Bar and Grill. Visit with Santa and enjoy milk, hot chocolate and cookies.

## Lookout Holiday Market

Lookout Fire Company is looking for vendors, crafters, and artisan makers to come be apart of their Holiday Market on Saturday December 9th from 10am - 3PM.

This holiday market will be the perfect place to get all those unique and special gifts for everyone on your Christmas list and more.

For more information on how to be apart of this great opportunity send us an email to [events@lookoutfireco.com](mailto:events@lookoutfireco.com)

## One Starry Night

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church invites everyone to visit The Little Town of Bethlehem. Ready to take your family back in time? Come to "One Starry Night" and experience Christmas like never before!

You'll taste, see, and even smell what life was like when Jesus was born. You'll go through the city gate, register for the census, visit the inn, see the stable, and more! It's a living nativity experience for all ages--so bring the whole family!

One Starry Night takes place on Sat., Dec. 9 from 3-5 p.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 10, from 2-4 p.m. The church is located at 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor, PA. FYI call 610-588-4453 or visit [www.ebumc.org](http://www.ebumc.org).

## Portland Santa Breakfast

Breakfast with Santa is planned for Portland Hook & Ladder Fire Co. December 17, from 7:30 am to 11:30am. All you Can Eat. Pancakes, Eggs, Sausages. Bacon and Breakfast Potatoes. \$10 per person

## Santa in Roseto

Ho! Ho! Ho! Santa Claus is coming to Roseto!

On Saturday, December 16, 2023. Santa will be visiting children in Roseto with the Columbia Fire Company. Please email them at [Santa\\_visit@columbiafireco.org](mailto:Santa_visit@columbiafireco.org) to arrange a visit to your home from Santa.

In the email, please include children(s) name, age, address, and gift suggestion up to \$25. Santa will arrive on the Fire truck at your house between the hours of 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM. Please email us no later than Wednesday, December 6, 2023 to sign-up. Sorry for any inconvenience but this is limited to Roseto Residents Only!!

## Plainfield Twp. Santa

Come for a morning of fun with the big guy himself, Santa Claus December 16 from 8-11am at Plainfield Fire Co.!

Enjoy a delicious breakfast, take a picture with Santa and let the kids do some fun activities! Santa Claus will be visiting until 11am. Breakfast will be scrambled eggs, pancakes, bacon, sausage, breakfast potatoes, toast, juice and coffee.

Free for children 0-4yrs, \$8 for children 5-12yrs, \$15 for adults/children 13 yrs and up

Their Annual Santa Claus Toy Run will be the same day starting at 12pm! If you are interested in having Santa Claus stop by your home to visit your child, please bring a wrapped gift with your child's name on it and a \$10.00 donation (per house) to the firehouse any Monday evening between 7pm and 9pm or call the firehouse at 610-863-3302 to setup a drop off.

All gifts must be dropped off prior to December 15th, 2023. Santa Toy Run form will be posted in the discussions tab. Santa Toy Run forms will also be available at the firehouse for pick up at anytime. we can also email the form to you. Please email [santa@plainfieldfireco.com](mailto:santa@plainfieldfireco.com)

## Santa and the Polar Express

The Polar Express sponsored by the Slate Belt Rotary will be held December 9 from 1-3pm at the Sportscard Sports B

## Bell Tower Christmas Celebration

Join everyone at the Bell Tower Friday, December 15, 2023 at 7:00 PM for a delightful evening filled with the joy and charm of a traditional country Christmas celebration. With guest artists, Norm Williams and Tom & Betty Drunkenmiller, you will experience what Old World Mountain Music was really like.

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# Mr. Pastie Celebrates Grand Reopening

By Larry Cory

Mr. Pastie at 10 Bell Avenue in Pen Argyl celebrated its grand reopening with a ribbon cutting yesterday.

Pasties have a long history going as far back as the Cornish immigrants who brought the pastie to the Slate Belt. Quarry workers often carried a pastie in a “blickey” (metal lunch pail) for “peace” which was known in the early days as break time.

The pastie was perfect for the workers since it was big enough to satisfy their lunchtime appetites.

Mr. Pastie produces those same pasties with fresh, warm meat & vegetable turnovers. Mr. Pastie meat and vegetable pasties are always handmade and finger-crimped. The secret is in the crust; tender and flaky pie crust. You can enjoy Mr. Pastie as a hot lunch on the go, a sit-down dinner, or even “brown-bag it” as a cold sandwich.

The pastie has actually been popular throughout the Slate Belt for nearly 140 years.

In the 1940s pasties were sold as fundraisers for improvements at Weona Park.

In Pen Argyl, Wednesday was known as pastie day, and DeNardo’s restaurant on Pennsylvania Avenue (RT 512) always featured pasties on Wednesdays.

The Olde English Food business which made pasties began in Bangor around 1966 before it was purchased by Joe Angelini in 1977. Angelini tweaked the old Cornish pastie recipe at his business on East Bell Avenue,



**Mr. Pastie on East Bell Avenue in Pen Argyl celebrated its grand reopening Monday after after the business changed hands recently and got a facade upgrade thanks to Slate Belt Rising. Pictured (l-r) Beth Duyssen-SBCC Director, Tammy Kemp-Pen Argyl Borough Councilwoman, Brian Fenstermaker-SBR, Rep. Ann Flood, Owners-Lisa Saukulak, Marsha Tallarico (cutting the ribbon) Ed Saukulak, Mr. Pastie Staff, Adrienne Fors & Rosemary Albert-SBCC Board, Mr. Pastie Staff Photo: Larry Cory**



**Owners Ed Saukulak, Lisa Saukulak, Marsha Tallarico were ready for business prior to the ribbon cutting yesterday. Photo: Larry Cory**



which is the present location of Mr. Pastie.

Pasties were made by hand, starting with the work of Shirley Suprys back in the late 1960s. For 18 years, Ms. Suprys, a Pen Argyl resident, was the “dough lady” at the bakery on Bell Avenue which was the forerunner of Mr. Pastie. She reportedly made dough for more than a million pasties in her career.

The dough recipe, back in the day, was simple: flour, salt, shortening and water molded to suit your fingers. There’s wasn’t a need for a measuring cup because the cooks knew how the dough should feel to touch.

Garnet Sleep, a Slate Belt native and advertising agent working in Washington D.C. introduced the pastie to a client in 1981 which was the seed for nationwide distribution. From there, Sleep and his wife Ceclia then formed Real English Foods to distribute Angelini’s pasties.

In January 1985, Sleep purchased the business and named it Mr. Pastie.

Pasties, incidentally, are also known as “meat pie,” however, the difference between the two is all in the structure. Pasties tend to be defined as a singular, folded pastry case with a crimped lid and a savory filling, typically of seasoned meat and vegetables. Pies, on the other hand, traditionally have a base and sides and a separate lid

Carrots, peas, rutabagas and turnips have all made their way into pasties at one time or another.

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# FREE LEAD WATER SUPPLY LINE HAZARDS REPLACEMENT

**This is to ensure that you are aware of the new Slate Belt Rising partnership with Northampton County to serve the residents of East Bangor Borough. Slate Belt Rising is working on a press release and social media posts that will be sent out this week. Please keep an eye out. SBR would appreciate your help in spreading the word.**

## **Dear Homeowner:**

You are receiving this letter because your home is located in an area in need of a safety check to make sure there are no older water supply lines or fixtures in the service area of the East Bangor Municipal Authority. Several older water meters were found to be in service and the plan is to complete a safety check to make sure that there are no other older water supply lines or fixtures in this neighborhood.

Northampton County is working with our local partners Slate Belt Rising, Community Action Lehigh Valley, and the East Bangor Municipal Authority to offer a safety check of residents' interior home water supply lines for any hazards that may be present. We want to be able to say these neighborhood homes are free from any potential water supply line hazards.

**Program participation is 100% FREE for residents in the East Bangor Municipal Authority service area.**

Northampton County will check for the presence of water line hazards especially in any water line or fixture where lead may be an ingredient. As a rule, older homes are more likely to still have some lead presence in service lines and possibility in some interior plumbing fixtures. Northampton County will also check and replace any water supply line containing lead on the homeowner's side of the water meter. Northampton County's program will look at replacing manifolds/goosenecks, water meters, and older plumbing fixtures still containing lead. The program will use a PA-licensed plumber in any replacement and it will be free of charge for Northampton County homeowners.

## **Why are we so concerned with Lead?**

Exposure to lead has been shown to harm especially very young child living in the home, exposure has been shown to effect brain development, contribute with learning-behavioral problems, and lower IQ's. Very young children are particularly susceptible to the build-up of lead hazards, as their smaller size increases their exposure levels, which is far more damaging to them than adults. As studies have shown that there is no safe level of lead. Lead is this public health menace take away the lead and the problem goes away.

## **NOTICE OF ELIGIBILITY**

Northampton County Homeowners

## **FREE LEAD WATER SUPPLY LINE HAZARDS REPLACEMENT!**

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## **HOW TO APPLY:**

Scan the QR code to your to be brought directly to the online application or access it by navigating to [SlateBeltRising.org](https://SlateBeltRising.org) and clicking the "Lead-Free Homes" tab.

If you need assistance in applying, our local partner is Brian Fenstermaker with Slate Belt Rising. Brian is available for in-person application assistance on Wednesday – Friday from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Bangor Borough Building located at 197 Pennsylvania Avenue, Bangor, PA 18013. Call 484-523-0900 to make an appointment to talk with Brian.

If you do not wish to apply, or if you reside at the specified address but are not the intended recipient of this letter, please contact us for the purpose of updating our records. Thank you!

## **How does lead get into drinking water?**

Lead can enter drinking water when pipes and plumbing fixtures that contain lead corrode, especially where the water has high acidity or low mineral content. There are three main sources of lead:

### **• Lead pipes**

• **Lead service lines**, the pipe that connects the water main under the street to the home's plumbing.

Lead pipes were also used in inside plumbing, but it is unusual. Congress banned the use of lead pipes in 1986.

• **Leaded solder** – Solder is used to connect copper pipe and fittings. Congress banned the use of leaded solder in 1986.

• **Leaded alloys** – Brass is frequently used in faucets and other plumbing components. In 1986, Congress limited the amount of lead in brass to 8% (close to the level of lead typical of products at the time) and later in 2014, reduced the limit to a much lower level (0.25%).

Understanding



**Brian Fenstermaker | Director of Slate Belt Rising**  
**Community Action Lehigh Valley**  
**197 Pennsylvania Ave | Bangor, PA 18013**  
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# Special Events

## PUBLISH YOUR EVENT

To publish info about your event, e-mail [sbtopics@rcn.com](mailto:sbtopics@rcn.com) Please send in text form. Do not send photos of text.

## YMCA Opportunities

Lehigh Valley - Through December 20, 2023, Greater Valley YMCA is opening its doors and inviting the community to use the Y for free. With open branches in Bethlehem, Catasauqua, Easton, Nazareth and Pen Argyl, the YMCA is in a unique position to impact community health and wellness.

From November 20 to December 20, 2023, the Y is providing free opportunities for everyone in the community to connect and engage with others to meet social, physical and mental well-being needs. Community members can workout in the Y's wellness centers, enjoy pick up sports and time in its pools with family and friends.

In addition to opening its doors to the community, the YMCA is providing free virtual wellness for the entire community during the same time. Y Wellness 24/7 is a virtual platform that provides thousands of weekly live and on-demand health and wellness programs for all abilities and interests. Everyone in the community is invited to create a free account, using keycode "HERE FOR YOU" to access [www.YWellness24/7.org](http://www.YWellness24/7.org) from their home, office or anywhere, anytime!

## Santa's Mailbox

Santa's magic mailbox is back again for the 4th year. The elves will be accepting handwritten letters for Santa from November 5th through December 10th. Every letter that Santa receives during this time period will receive a hand written letter back from him. The magic mailbox is located at 146 S. 9th St., Bangor, PA 18013. It will be at the end of the walkway and the magic mailbox will be outside daily from 8AM until dark. If it is raining, the mailbox will not be outside.

We also ask that when dropping the letter off, please do not open the mailbox and move the mailbox for any reason. In addition, letters with no name or address will not receive a response.

## Roseto Ice Rink

The Roseto Ice Rink has been set up and ready to use as fall transitions to winter just in time for the holiday season.

The Roseto ice rink is officially OPEN. Weather it will be open daily from 8:00am - 7:00pm. Keep in mind they do not have skate rentals so bring your own. There is no cost to skate at the park. The ice rink at the Roseto Ball Park off McKinley and Denisco Streets. Only the main gate is open so enter off of Denisco Street.

There are no bathroom facilities.

## Rental Snowshoes

Borrow snowshoe equipment to use on Jacobsburg's trails this winter. Snowshoes are available for folks of any age or shoe size, including small children. Snowshoes will not be made available during times of insufficient snow cover, at least six inches of

snow is required. To borrow equipment, you must provide a driver's license or other form of state issued identification. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email [jacobsburgsp@pa.gov](mailto:jacobsburgsp@pa.gov). Check Their website for current conditions and snow depth: <https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/WinterReport/Pages/default.aspx>

**December 10**

## Great Slate Belt Trivia Contest

Think you know all there is to know about the Slate Belt? New to the area and would like to have a fun time learning about the Slate Belt? Or, if you are in a position as a town council member, you are invited to "test your trivia knowledge of the Slate Belt" and have fun and laughs while doing it. The annual "Great Slate Belt Trivia Contest" will be held on Sunday, December 10th at 2:00 PM at the Slate Belt Heritage Center. Questions will encompass the entire region from Slateford to Wind Gap. Bring a team of four, or come as one and we will place you on a team when you arrive.

Prizes will be awarded to the winning team and light refreshments will be served to all. The Heritage Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA. For additional information please contact: Karen Brewer @ 484-894-5661

**December 13**

## Bangor Bands Winter Concert

Bangor Area High School Bands Winter Concert will be held Wednesday December 13, 7:30 PM in the Performing Arts Theatre 187 Five Points Richmond Rd Bangor, PA

## Crafting Natural Arrangements for Adults

Wednesday, December 13 at 1:30pm to 3:30pm  
OR 6:00 - 8:00pm

This free program is offered in both English and Spanish.

Get crafty and join Conservation Volunteers Adriana and Toni as they demonstrate how to use natural materials to create simple, yet ornate floral arrangements. You will have the opportunity to create your own arrangement to take home. You will also learn to identify native and invasive plants and gain experience in sustainable gathering of plants for crafting. The arrangements will be Wabi Sabi-inspired; the Japanese world view centered on the acceptance of imperfections. <https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search=jacobsburg>

**December 15**

## Bell Tower Christmas Celebration

Join everyone at the Bell Tower Friday, December

15, 2023 at 7:00 PM for a delightful evening filled with the joy and charm of a traditional country Christmas celebration. With guest artists, Norm Williams and Tom & Betty Drunkenmiller, you will experience was Old World Mountain Music was really like.

These nationally acclaimed artists will perform a holiday program that will have you in getting into the Christmas Spirit. And in what better place than the former Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, now recreated to be the Bell Tower Cultural Center.

The Bell Tower ocated at 2904 Church Road, Bangor, PA 18063, just north of Martins Creek, PA, the event venue will transport you to a bygone era, where the spirit of Christmas is celebrated in its most authentic form. Immerse yourself in the delightful melodies of live music performances, featuring lthe Banjo, Dulcimer and Fiddle.

Don't miss out on this magical event that captures the essence of an Old World Country Christmas. Mark your calendars and bring your loved ones along for an unforgettable evening of joy, laughter, and holiday spirit! Please join them.

## Family Science Night - Rhythm and Woodpeckers

Friday, December 15 at 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Drumming is one form of non-vocal communication used by most species of woodpeckers. During this program we will put our music skills to the test to create a symphony of Pennsylvania woodpecker calls and drumming patterns all while learning the science behind common woodpecker behavior and adaptations. Registration is required.<https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search=jacobsburg>

**December 16**

## Santa Coming to LMBT

Santa is coming to Lower Mount Bethel Township on December 16th. We will be taking him around to see the little boys and girls of all ages on the firetruck if you want us to stop by your house call 484-221-2416 or 610-597-3802.

You can drop a wrap gift with childs name an adress off at the firehouse any Monday evening and Santa will deliver on Dec 16th we plan on starting around 9am. Donations to help offset our cost is greatly appreciated.

## Elks Hoop Shoot

The annual Bangor Elks Hoop Shoot will be held Saturday December 16 at Washington Township Elementary School. Registration is 8:30am, Questions, call Glenn Miller at 610-703-0070.

## Santa in Roseto

Ho! Ho! Ho! Santa Claus is coming to Roseto!

On Saturday, December 16, 2023. Santa will be visiting children in Roseto with the Columbia



Fire Company. Please email them at Santa\_[visit@columbiafireco.org](mailto:visit@columbiafireco.org) to arrange a visit to your home from Santa.

In the email, please include children(s) name, age, address, and gift suggestion up to \$25. Santa will arrive on the Fire truck at your house between the hours of 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM. Please email us no later than Wednesday, December 6, 2023 to sign-up. Sorry for any inconvenience but this is limited to Roseto Residents Only!!

## Plainfield Twp. Santa

Come for a morning of fun with the big guy himself, Santa Claus December 16 from 8-11am at Plainfield Fire Co.!

Enjoy a delicious breakfast, take a picture with Santa and let the kids do some fun activities! Santa Claus will be visiting until 11am. Breakfast will be scrambled eggs, pancakes, bacon, sausage, breakfast potatoes, toast, juice and coffee.

Free for children 0-4yrs, \$8 for children 5-12yrs, \$15 for adults/children 13 yrs and up

Their Annual Santa Claus Toy Run will be the same day starting at 12pm! If you are interested in having Santa Claus stop by your home to visit your child, please bring a wrapped gift with your child's name on it and a \$10.00 donation (per house) to the firehouse any Monday evening between 7pm and 9pm or call the firehouse at 610-863-3302 to setup a drop off.

All gifts must be dropped off prior to December 15th, 2023. Santa Toy Run form will be posted in the discussions tab. Santa Toy Run forms will also be available at the firehouse for pick up at anytime. we can also email the form to you. Please email [santa@plainfieldfireco.com](mailto:santa@plainfieldfireco.com)

**December 16-17**

## Enchanted Market

Join Blue Flame Events & Palmer Park Mall for the 2-day Enchanted Market on December 16th-17th from 11am to 4pm. This unique last minute holiday shopping experience will include thoughtful gifts from a variety of vendors & crafters who'll be set up throughout the mall with one-of-kind gifts. While you're there join in the fun with free family crafts, an ugly sweater contest, and much more!

We're still accepting vendors & crafters to join us for this wonderful event. Simply click the registration link below to sign up, or text (272)-200-8163, or email [blueflameevents@yahoo.com](mailto:blueflameevents@yahoo.com).

Registration Link: <https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSdAQyXCJxd.../viewform...>

Facebook Link: <https://facebook.com/events/s/enchanted-holiday-market/1150043785672430/>

For more information on upcoming events see us on the web at [www.blueflameevents.co](http://www.blueflameevents.co)

**December 17**

## Music In the Air

Music In The Air - A Concert of Church Bell Christmas Songs. December 17 - 3-4pm. Held outside in the parking lot of the Richmond United Methodist Church, 8538 South Delaware Dr.,

Bangor. Cookies, Hot Chocolate and a Christmas ornament per family.

## Portland Santa Breakfast

Breakfast with Santa is planned for Portland Hook & Ladder Fire Co. December 17, from 7:30 am to 11:30am.

All you Can Eat. Pancakes, Eggs, Sausages. Bacon and Breakfast Potatoes. \$10 per person

**December 19**

## BAHS Choir Will Sing at Bangor GFWC Meeting

The Bangor Womens Club GFWC would like to invite the public to hear the Bangor High School Choir on December 19th at 1:15 pm at Trinity United Church of Christ,

632 S. Delaware Drive, Mt Bethel, PA. (Stone Church) .They will be singing Christmas music and other songs. Come and enjoy this talented choir.

**December 21-22**

## Project Feeder Watch

Love birds and want to contribute to science? Project FeederWatch turns your love of feeding birds into scientific discoveries. Participants will learn how to contribute to Project FeederWatch and be presented with the opportunity to become FeederWatch monitors at Jacobsburg or in their own homes! Bagels, coffee, and hot cocoa will be provided. Attending this program is required if you plan to participate in Project FeederWatch Monitoring on Thursdays and/or Fridays: Dec 21-22, Jan 4-5 & 25- 26, Feb 15-16 & 29, Mar 1 & 21-22. Registration is required. <https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search=jacobsburg>

**January 4-5**

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**January 13**

## Winter Wine Down

Come out of hibernation and spend the day at the Winter Wine Down. 11:00am January 13 at the Palmer Park Mall. For those who are over 21+ (must have valid ID), can purchase their wristband to sample delicious wines from a variety of wineries and purchase your favorite bottles to take home!

While you're sampling those delicious wines be sure to utilize your scorecard and pick your favorite

winery! The winery with the most votes will be awarded a trophy.

While you're there don't forget to shop with a unique selection of vendors and crafters who will be lined up throughout the mall!

Tickets for this wine tasting feature of the event can be purchased on Eventbrite for \$20 or at the door for \$25. \*\*\*You must have your valid photo ID to redeem your ticket at the event in order to get your wrist band. NO EXCEPTIONS. All ticket sales are final. No refunds.\*\*

**January 25-26**

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**February 29 - March 1**

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**March 9**

## POP Fusion Expo

Finally, a unique pop culture event for everyone to enjoy March 9 , 11-4 at the Palmert Park Mall! Whether you're into anime, comics, cosplay, or horror this will be an event for you!

Come dressed as your favorite character! Take photos with friends! Check out up and coming artists. Find your favorite comic books and more!

Are you interested in being part of the entertainment? Text or call (272)-200-8163.

To request a vendor registration text (272)-200-8163 or email [kstocker@blueflameevents.co](mailto:kstocker@blueflameevents.co).

Vendor Cost = \$45 per space

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**March 23**

## Sportsmans Banquet

Mount Bethel Volunteer. Fire Company Station. 37 will hold its 2024 Sportsmans Banquet March 23, at 5pm,

**May 11**

## Flash Back to the 70s in April 2024

We're flashing back to the 1970's! Put on your best hippie attire and join us for Plantstock, inside the Palmer Park Mall! Enjoy those 70's sounds playing while you shop with a variety of vendors and crafters selling everything including houseplants, garden supplies, and more! There will also be some non-planty vendors and crafters joining us for those who just aren't plant people. While you're there, be sure to enter the best dressed hippie costume and be entered for a chance to win a prize! Also, before you leave, stop and get your photo taken and receive a free digital download to take home! Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 11 AM

**February 24**

## Magical Mind & Spirit Expo

The Magical Mind & Spirit Expo are coming 11am February 24 to the South Mall in Allentown! Find yourself surrounded by alternative healing, natural & holistic vendors, mystical & magical vendors, guest speakers, and much more! We hope

that you will join us for this magical day!

We're accepting unique vendors! We're also looking for guest speakers and demonstrators. To register text/call (272)-200-8163 or [email kstocker@blueflameevents.co](mailto:kstocker@blueflameevents.co).

Not able to attend? That's okay! We have some fantastic advertising packages available that will guarantee your noticed at the event! For more information text/call (272)-200-8163 or email [kstocker@blueflameevents.co](mailto:kstocker@blueflameevents.co).

**April 20**

## Festival of Peculiarities

Welcome to the world of the strange and unusual at the South Mall 11:00am Saturday April 20. This is the place where there is always something odd around each corner or should we say on each table. Take a stroll and explore the sustainably sourced specimens, creepy dolls, handcrafted oddities, taxidermy, and much more.

Would you like to join us for this unique event? Simply text (272)-200-8163 or email [kstocker@blueflameevents.co](mailto:kstocker@blueflameevents.co). You can also click the link below for the registration. The cost is \$45 per space.

**Registration Link:** [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdINM0TWEytCu49ZLdiE14aD6RBD-S---zmvZolnG2u3VD4LQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdINM0TWEytCu49ZLdiE14aD6RBD-S---zmvZolnG2u3VD4LQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

**March 16**

## Kilts & Shamrock Fest

Grab your best tartan and your luck shamrock and join us for the Kilts & Shamrock Fest 11am - 4pm March 16 at the South Mall.

Come out and participate in the best dressed tartan wearing contest and shamrock scavenger hunt.

While you're there be sure to check out our selection of unique vendors & crafters!

We're looking for unique vendors & crafters to join us for this event. To register text (272)-200-8163 or email [kstocker@blueflameevents.co](mailto:kstocker@blueflameevents.co).

Advertising opportunities are also available! To request more information simply text/call (272)-200-8163 or email [kstocker@blueflameevents.co](mailto:kstocker@blueflameevents.co)

**June 22**

## Geek Fest

Join the Geek Fest June 22, 2024 at the South Mall.

It's okay to embrace the weird in the world! We're bringing a variety of unique and fun nerdy & geeky things to do throughout the day!

Come out and participate in our cosplay dress up contest for a chance to win something unique! Stop in at the mall arcade and play some classic video games or swing by one of the open space board game tables that will be set up throughout the mall.

Don't forget to shop with vendors and artisans who will be set up with unique and weird items!

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Regular Events Calendar		
<p><b>Sunday December 10</b></p> <p><b>Breakfast</b> - Bushkill Volunteer Fire C. 7:30-12:30.</p> <p><b>Fellowship Dinner</b> - Breaking Bread soup kitchen, 4:00pm. Cross Road Baptist, Bangor.</p> <p><b>Slate Belt Heritage Center</b> - Open 12-3.</p> <p><b>Slate Belt YMCA</b> - 10-2</p>	<p><b>Bingo</b> - Wind Gap Fire Co., 6:45.</p> <p><b>Blue Mountain Library</b> - Open 10-12</p> <p><b>Bangor Public Library</b> - Open 1-8</p> <p><b>Slate Belt Senior Center</b> - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show</p> <p><b>Slate Belt YMCA</b> - Open 5:00am - 9:00pm</p>	<p><b>Blue Mountain Library</b> - Open 10-12 &amp; 6-8pm</p> <p><b>Bangor Public Library</b> - Open 1-8</p> <p><b>Slate Belt Senior Center</b> - Open 8-4. Blue Valley Farm Show</p> <p><b>UMBT Planning Commission</b> - Township Building, 7:30pm</p> <p><b>Slate Belt YMCA</b> - Open 6:00am - 8:00pmm</p>
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<p><b>Wednesday December 13</b></p> <p><b>Bingo</b> - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm. Bingo 6:45 pm.</p> <p><b>Blue Mountain Library</b> - Open 10-12</p> <p><b>Bangor Public Library</b> - Open 1-8</p> <p><b>Slate Belt Senior Center</b> - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show</p> <p><b>Washington Township Supervisors Meet</b> - Municipal Building, 7pm</p> <p><b>Pen Argyl Park Board</b> - 7pm</p> <p><b>Plainfield Township Supervisors</b> - Meets 7:00pm Municipal Building.</p> <p><b>Slate Belt YMCA</b> - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm</p> <p><b>East Bangor Municipal Authority</b> - Municipal Authority Hall, 555 Messinger St., East Bangor, 7:00pm</p>	<p><b>Tuesday December 19</b></p> <p><b>Bingo</b> - Portland Fire Co., 7pm.</p> <p><b>Blue Mountain Library</b> - Open 10-12 &amp; 6-8pm</p> <p><b>Bangor Public Library</b> - Open 10-8</p> <p><b>Slate Belt Senior Center</b> - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show</p> <p><b>Mission of Love Food Pantry &amp; Clothes Closet</b> - N. Main St., Bangor, 10-2</p> <p><b>Roseto Planning Commission</b> - 7:00pm Borough Hall</p> <p><b>Slate Belt YMCA</b> - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm</p> <p><b>Washing Twsp. Planning</b> - 7pm</p> <p><b>Wind Gap Boro - Council</b> 7pm</p>	<p><b>Sunday December 24</b></p> <p><b>Fellowship Dinner</b> - First UMC Bangor, 12:30-1:30.</p> <p><b>Portland Sunday Sundaes</b> - 6:30 - 8:00pm (Summer only)</p> <p><b>Slate Belt Heritage Center</b> - Open 12-3.</p> <p><b>Slate Belt YMCA</b> - 10-2</p>
<p><b>Thursday December 14</b></p> <p><b>Blue Mountain Library</b> - Open 10-12 &amp; 6-8pm</p> <p><b>Bangor Public Library</b> - Open 10-8</p> <p><b>Slate Belt Senior Center</b> - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show</p> <p><b>Bingo</b> - Plainfield Fire Co., 6:30pm</p> <p><b>Slate Belt YMCA</b> - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm</p>	<p><b>Wednesday December 20</b></p> <p><b>Bingo</b> - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm.Bingo 6:45 pm..</p> <p><b>Blue Mountain Library</b> - Open 10-12 &amp; 6-8pm</p> <p><b>Bangor Public Library</b> - Open 1-8</p> <p><b>Slate Belt Senior Center</b> - Open 8-4. Blue Valley Farm Show</p> <p><b>UMBT Planning Commission</b> - Township Building, 7:30pm</p> <p><b>Slate Belt YMCA</b> - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm</p>	<p><b>Monday December 25</b></p> <p><b>Blue Mountain Library</b> - Open 10-12 &amp; 6-8pm</p> <p><b>Bangor Public Library</b> - Open 1-8</p> <p><b>Slate Belt Senior Center</b> - Open 8-4. Blue Valley Farm Show</p> <p><b>Bangor Borough Council</b> - Workshop, Bee Hive, 7:00pm</p> <p><b>Pump</b> - 8:30-11:30</p> <p><b>UMBT Supervisors</b> -7pm</p> <p><b>Slate Belt YMCA</b> - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm</p>
<p><b>Friday December 15</b></p>	<p><b>Thursday December 21</b></p> <p><b>Bingo</b> - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm. Bingo 7pm.</p>	<p><b>Tuesday December 26</b></p> <p><b>Blue Mountain Library</b> - Open 10-12 &amp; 6-8pm</p> <p><b>Bangor Public Library</b> - Open 1-8</p> <p><b>Slate Belt Senior Center</b> - Open 8-4. Blue Valley Farm Show</p> <p><b>.Bangor Borough Council</b> - Workshop, Bee Hive, 7:00pm</p> <p><b>Washington Twp. Recreation</b> - 7pm</p> <p><b>Roseto Zoning</b> - 7pm</p> <p><b>Slate Belt YMCA</b> - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm</p> <p><b>UMBT Zoning</b> - 7pm Room, 7pm</p>
		<p><b>Wednesday December 27</b></p>



Regular Events

**Bingo** - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm. Bingo 6:45 pm.  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 1-8  
**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show  
**Washington Township Supervisors Meet** - Municipal Building, 3:30pm.  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm  
**Plainfield Zoning** - 6:30pm  
**UMBT Open Space Advisory** .... 7pm

**Thursday December 28**  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 10-8  
**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-4. Blue Valley Farm Show  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - 6:00am - 8:00pm  
**Pen Argyl Council Workshop** - 7pm  
**Plainfield Supervisors** - 7pm  
**Plainfield Twp Fire Co.** Bingo - 6:30pm  
**UMBT Development** - 7pm

**Friday December 29**  
**Bingo** - Wind Gap Fire Co., 6:45.  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 1-8  
**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - Open 5:00am - 9:00pm

**Saturday December 30**  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 10-4  
**Slate Belt YMCA** -8-4  
**Slate Belt Heritage Center** - Open 12-3  
**Hope, Faith & Recovery Group,** every Saturday, at A Clean Slate, 118 S. 1st, St. Bangor. 11:30am - 12:30pm

**Sunday December 31**  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 1-8  
**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-4. Blue Valley Farm Show  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - Open 6:00am -

8:00pm  
**Monday January 1**  
**Happy New Year**

**Tuesday January 2**  
**Bingo** - Portland Fire Co., 7pm.  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 10-8  
**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show  
**Mission of Love Food Pantry & Clothes Closet** - N. Main St., Bangor, 10-12  
**Pen Argyl Woman’s Club Meets** 1:30 pm St. John’s Lutheran.  
**Plainfield Parks & Rec** - 7pm  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm  
**Wind Gap Boro Council** - 7pm (Monday Holiday meet Tuesday

**Wednesday January 3**  
**Bingo** - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm. Bingo 6:45 pm..  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 1-8  
**LMBT Recreation Board** - 7pm, Centerfield building  
**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm  
**Wind Gap Zoning** - 7pm

**Thursday January 4**  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 10-8  
**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show  
**Bingo** - Plainfield Fire Co., 6:30pm  
**Plainfield Environmental Advisory Board** - Municipal Building, 7:00pm  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm  
**Wind Gap Planning** - 7pm

**Friday January 5**  
**Bingo** - Wind Gap Fire Co., 6:45.  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 1-8

**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - Open 5:00am - 9:00pm

**Saturday January 6**  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 10-4  
**Mission of Love Soup Kitchen** - N. Main St., Bangor. 11-2  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - 8-4  
**Slate Belt Heritage Center** - Open 12-3  
**Hope, Faith & Recovery Group,** every Saturday, at A Clean Slate, 118 S. 1st, St. Bangor. 11:30am - 12:30pm  
**Weona Park** - Carousel & Golf Open 3-9

**Sunday January 7**  
**Fellowship Dinner** - East Bangor UMC, 4-6.  
**Slate Belt Heritage Center** - Open 12-3.  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - 10-2  
**All-You-Can Eat Breakfast** - Bangor Elks 8-12pm. Adults \$10. Kid 6-12 \$6. Under 6 - Free.

**Monday January 8**  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 1-8  
**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show  
**Pen Argyl Sewer Auth.** - 4:30pm (If needed)  
**Pen Argyl Municipal Auth.** - 5pm (If needed)  
**Bangor Borough Council** - Meets Bee Hive Community Center, 7pm  
**Portland Council** - 7pm  
**Pump - 8:30-11:30**  
**Upper Mount Bethel Supervisors** - Meets 7:00pm  
**Roseto Borough Council** - Municipal Building, 7:30pm  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm

**Tuesday January 9**  
**Bingo** - Portland Fire Co., 7pm.  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 10-8

**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show  
**Mission of Love Food Pantry & Clothes Closet** - N. Main St., Bangor, 10-12  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm

**Wednesday January 10**  
**Bingo** - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm. Bingo 6:45 pm.  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 1-8  
**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show  
**Washington Township Supervisors Meet** - Municipal Building, 7pm  
**Pen Argyl Park Board** - 7pm  
**Plainfield Township Supervisors** - Meets 7:00pm Municipal Building.  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm  
**East Bangor Municipal Authority** - Municipal Authority Hall, 555 Messinger St., East Bangor, 7:00pm

**Thursday January 11**  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 10-8  
**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show  
**Bingo** - Plainfield Fire Co., 6:30pm  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm

**Friday January 12**  
**Bingo** - Wind Gap Fire Co., 6:45.  
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**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - Open 5:00am - 9:00pm

**Saturday January 13**  
**Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12  
**Bangor Public Library** - Open 10-4  
**Slate Belt YMCA** - 8-4  
**Slate Belt Heritage Center** - Open 12-3  
**Hope, Faith & Recovery Group,**



# SLATE BELT CHURCH INFORMATION



## Christ Presbyterian Church of The Slate Belt

332 Kennedy Drive, Bangor

[www.christpcsb.org](http://www.christpcsb.org)

More info 610-588-4864.

E-mail: [info@christpcsb.org](mailto:info@christpcsb.org).

Sunday Worship, 10:00 a.m.

in-person/Zoom/Facebook Live.

For more info: 610-588-4864.



## Trinity Lutheran Church

404 Broadway Bangor (610-588-20)

[telcbangor@frontier.com](mailto:telcbangor@frontier.com)

Sunday worship 10:30am

Holy Communion: First and Third Sundays

Masks optional.

## Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church

703 South Delaware Drive Mt. Bethel,  
18343

<http://www.celepa.org/>

Email: [celepaorg@yahoo.com](mailto:celepaorg@yahoo.com)

610-588-7056

Worship: Sundays 9:00 a.m.

Holy Communion: First and Third Sunday

Toddler Sunday School: Sept-May 10:15

## Richmond United Methodist Church

Rev. Peter Jamieson, Pastor

<http://richmondumc.com/>

8538 Delaware Dr, Bangor, PA 18013

610.588.7317 | [richmondumc@epix.net](mailto:richmondumc@epix.net)

Sunday Worship - Weekly at 10:00 a.m.

## East Bangor UMC

136 W. Central Ave. (Rt.512) East Bangor

Dec 9A.A Meeting 8pm

Dec 10 - 9:30 a.m. Worship Service

(Live & on Zoom) 10:45 Fellowship Hour

(For Zoom, go to [ebumc.org](http://ebumc.org) to sign in)

Dec 13 10:30am & 7pm - Bible Study

## First United Methodist Church of Bangor

Pastor Elisandra Garcia - 610-588-4673

55 North Third Street, Bangor PA

11:00am service (Communion First Sunday)

## RICHARD M. SHAPLIN FINANCIAL SERVICES



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## Grace Lutheran Church

5907 Sullivan Trail, Nazareth Pa 18064

Dec 10 Second Sunday of Advent

9:00am Service of the Word

Sunday Morning Adventures - 10:15

[www.gracebelfastpa.org](http://www.gracebelfastpa.org) 610-759-9080

Email: [gracebelfast@rcn.com](mailto:gracebelfast@rcn.com)

## Flicksville UCC

1337 Lower South Main St., Bangor

Pastor Ken Hess 610-588-4648

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

Follow us on Facebook

Children & Adult Sunday School 9:30

Worship at 10:45 AM

## Prince of Peace Ev. Lutheran Church

Rev. Michael J. Scholtes, 610-588-55

2445 Lake Minsi Dr, Bangor

[popbangor.org](http://popbangor.org)

[poplbangor@gmail.com](mailto:poplbangor@gmail.com)

Sunday Worship 9:45 am (Weekly

Communion) Sunday School 8:30 am

## HALL RENTAL

- Affordable space for bridal or baby shower, birthday, graduation or wedding party and family gatherings.
- Handicap accessible hall with kitchen and large parking lot. Accommodates up to 100 people.

## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

404 Broadway, Bangor

More info: 610-588-2023





# Bangor Library - New Books

New in the Bangor Public Library  
November 24 November 30

## Adult Fiction

Tom Clancy Command and Control by Marc Cameron  
Alex Cross Must Die by James Patterson  
Inheritance by Nora Roberts  
There Should Have Been Eight by Nalini Singh  
The Ball at Versailles: A Novel by Danielle Steel  
Use of Force by Brad Thor

## Adult Non Fiction

Know What Matters: Lessons from a Lifetime of Transformations by Ron Shaich

## Easy Fiction

Bouncy Tires!  
Mighty Monster Machines  
Christmas  
with Peppa  
No Two Alike by Keith Baker  
Rootin' Tootin' Racetrack! By Frank Berrios  
Wind Power! By Frank Berrios  
I Am Max by Astrid Holm  
Sloths Don't Run by Tori McGee  
I Am Cindy-Lou Who by Tish Rabe  
Construction Site: Taking Flight! By Serri Duskey Rinker  
Dr. Seuss's 'Tis The Season: A Holiday Celebration by Dr. Seuss  
Are You There Little Bunny? By Sam Taplin  
Dino Parade! By Mary Tillworth  
Penguin's Big Adventure by Salina Yoon

## Easy Non Fiction

I Can Grow a Flower by Dawn Sirett  
How Does a Butterfly Grow? By Dawn Sirett  
How Does a Frog Grow? By Dawn Sirett

## Young Adult Fiction

Defiant by Brandon Sanderson

## DVDS

Expend4bles  
The Witch: Subversion  
The Witch 2: The Other One



## Christmas Tree Fundraiser

The Blue Mountain Community Library is once again sponsoring a Christmas Tree Fundraiser this year. Anyone wishing to honor or memorialize a loved one or a pet may purchase an ornament to hang on our Christmas Tree for \$5.00 each. The Fundraiser will begin November 1st and continue through December 31, 2023. Please consider helping the library by purchasing an ornament to decorate the Christmas Tree.

Visit our Book Nook to purchase books for the reader on your holiday list. Items include fiction and non-fiction books for adult, young adult and juvenile readers, as well as large print materials and puzzles.

The Blue Mountain Community Library is located at 216 S. Robinson Ave. in Pen Argyl. Hours are 10-12, Monday thru Saturday mornings and 6-8, Monday and Thursday evenings. All information is available on their Facebook page and website [www.bmcl.org](http://www.bmcl.org)

## Library Fund Raiser

On sday, December 5, 2023, the Slate Pub in Pen Argyl will sponsor a Fundraiser for the Blue Mountain Community Library. The Pub will generously donate a percentage of all food sales that day, from noon until closing, both eat-in and take-out, to the library. Anyone patronizing the Pub that day will enjoy good food and will help the library at the same time. The Slate Pub is located at 509 East Main Street, Pen Argyl, PA. Check out their menu at [www.slatepub.com](http://www.slatepub.com).

## PUBLISH YOUR EVENT

To publish info about your event, e-mail [sbttopics@rcn.com](mailto:sbttopics@rcn.com)  
Please send in text form. Do not send photos of text.

## COVID-19 VACCINE UPDATE

Everyone ages 6 months and older  
should get an updated COVID-19 vaccine.

- ✓ Protection from previous vaccination or infection weakens over time
- ✓ This vaccine is a better match to fight common variants circulating now



Find locations near you: [www.vaccines.gov](http://www.vaccines.gov)





# Slate Belt Winter Sports Schedule 2023-24

Bangor Boys (1-3)		
12/1	P. Valley at Bangor	L 63-37
12/5/	Bangor @ Moravian	W 52-40
12/7/	NDGP. @ Bangor	L 61-36
12/9	Northampton@Bangor	L 52-42
12/11/	Catasauqua @ Bangor	6:45pm
12/16	E’Burg North@Bangor	12:45pm
12/14/	Bangor @ Palisades	6:45pm
12/18/	Saucon Valley @ Bangor	6:45pm
12/20/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
1/4/	Wilson @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/5/	Bangor @ N.Lehigh	6:45pm
1/9/	Northwestern @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/11/	Bangor @ Salisbury	6:45pm
1/16	Bangor@NDES	6:45pm
1/18/	Bangor @ S. Lehigh	6:45pm
1/20/	Bangor @ Wilson	12:45pm
1/24/	Moravian @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/25/	Bangor @ NDGP.	6:45pm
1/29/	Palmerton @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/31/	Palisades @ Bangor	6:45pm
2/3/	Bangor @ Saucon Valley	12:45pm
2/6/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/16	Hall Of Fame	
1/23	Senior Night	
1/31	Youth Night	

Pen Argyl Boys (0-5)		
12/1	NDES	L 47-41
12/2	@Moravian Tourney	L 48-35
12/5/	Saucon Valley @ Pen Argyl	L 36-30
12/7/	Palmerton @ Pen Argyl	L 55-23
12/9	Pen Argyl @ Lincoln Leader.	L 62-8
12/11/	Pen Argyl @ Wilson	6:45pm
12/14/	Moravian Academy @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
12/18/	Pen Argyl @ Notre Dame G.P.	6:45pm
12/20/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
12/22	Lehighton@ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
1/02	Pen Argyl @Mahanoy	7:30pm
1/4/	Pen Argyl @ Palisades	6:45pm
1/5/	Pen Argyl @ Northwestern	6:45pm
1/9/	Salisbury @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
1/13/	S.Lehigh @ Pen Argyl	12:45pm
1/18/	Pen Argyl @ Catasauqua	6:45pm
1/20/	Palisades @ Pen Argyl	12:45pm
1/23	Pen Argyl @ Saucon Valley	6:45pm
1/25/	Northern Lehigh @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
1/29/	Wilson @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
1/31/	Pen Argyl @ Moravian	6:45pm
2/3/	Notre Dame G.P. @ Pen Argyl	12:45pm
2/6/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/25	Senior Day	

Bangor Girls (2-2)		
12/1	Bangor @ P. Valley	W 44-42
12/2	PM West@Bangor	L 62-20
12/5/	Moravian @ Bangor	W 52-28
12/7/	Bangor @ NDGP.	L 36-30
12/11/	Bangor @ Catasauqua	6:45pm
12/14/	Palisades @ Bangor	6:45pm
12/18/	Bangor @ Saucon Valley	6:45pm
12/20/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/4/	Bangor @ Wilson	6:45pm
1/5/	Northern Lehigh @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/9/	Bangor @ Northwestern	6:45pm
1/11/	Salisbury @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/13	Bangor@ Northampton	1:00pm
1/18/	Southern Lehigh @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/20/	Wilson @ Bangor	12:45pm
12/16	Bangor@E’burg North	1:00pm
1/23	Bangor @ Moravian	6:45pm
1/25/	Notre Dame G.P. @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/29/	Bangor @ Palmerton	6:45pm
1/31/	Bangor @ Palisades	6:45pm
2/3/	Saucon Valley @ Bangor	12:45pm
2/6/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
12/5	Youth Night	
1/05	Mentor Night	
1/18	Cancer Awareness	
1/20	Senior Night	

Pen Argyl Girls (3-1)		
12/1/	NDES	W 48-2
12/2/	Pen Argyl @ Moravian	W 52-20
12/5/	Pen Argyl @ Saucon Valley	W 50-12
12/7/	Pen Argyl @ Palmerton	L 61-36
12/11/	Wilson @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
12/18/	Notre Dame G.P. @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
12/20/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	6:45pm
12/22	Pen Argyl @ Lehighton	7:00pm
12/28	Pen Argyl @ PME	2:30pm
1/4/	Palisades @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
1/5/	Northwestern @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
1/9/	Pen Argyl @ Salisbury	6:45pm
1/11	Whitehall/@Pen Argyl	6:45pm
1/13/	Pen Argyl @ Southern Lehigh	12:45pm
1/18/	Catasauqua @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
1/20/	Pen Argyl @ Palisades	12:45pm
1/23	Saucon Valley @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
1/25/	Pen Argyl @ Northern Lehigh	6:45pm
1/29/	Pen Argyl @ Wilson	6:45pm
1/31/	Moravian @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
2/3/	Pen Argyl @ Notre Dame G.P.	12:45pm
2/6/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
12/18	Gold Out Game Mini Thon	
1/18	Thank A Teacher Night	
1/23	Pink Out	
1/31	Senior Night	

Bangor Wrestling (2-4)		
12/2	Pleasant Valley	L 43-23
12/2	Freedom	L 42-15
12/2	Southern Lehigh	L 37-26
12/2	North Penn	W 37-35
12/2	St. Joe’s Prep	L 63-9
12/6/	Bangor @ Catasauqua	W 43-28
12/9	Bangor @ Delaware Valley	4th Place
12/13/	Saucon Valley @ Bangor	7:00pm
12/19/	Wilson @ Bangor	7:00pm
12/16/	Bangor@ Tamaqua	9:00am
12/22	Belvidere @ Bangor	7:00pm
1/3/	Bangor @ Northwestern	7:00pm
1/10/	Bangor @ Notre Dame G.P.	7:00pm
1/14	League Tournament	2:00pm
1/17/	Southern Lehigh @ Bangor	7:00pm
1/19	Bangor @ Lehighton Tourn	11:00am
1/20	Bangor @ Lehighton Tourn	11:00am
1/24/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	7:00pm

Bangor UCS Bocce Ball (0-0)		
1/4	Bangor @E-Burg South	3:30pm
1/17	Bangor @Dieruff	3:30pm
1/22	E’Burg South @Bangor	3:30pm
2/7	Salisbury@ Bangor	3:30pm

Pen Argyl Wrestling (0-1)		
12/2	Rough Rider Tourney @Catty	9:00am
12/6/	Saucon Valley @ Pen Argyl	L 47-9
12/13/	Palmerton @ Pen Argyl	7:00pm
12/15	Pen Argyl @ Lehighton	6:45pm
1/3/	Salisbury @ Pen Argyl	7:00pm
1/6	Battle At Valley Forge	9:00am
1/8/	Wilson @ Pen Argyl	11:00am
1/10	Pen Argyl @ Northern Lehigh	7:00pm
1/14	League Tournament	2:00pm
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1/19	Pen Argyl @ Lehighton Tourney	11:00am
1/20	Pen Argyl @ Lehighton Tourney	10:00am
1/24/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	7:00pm
1/25	Ultimate Warrior@West Branch	11:00am
1/26	Ultimate Warrior@West Branch	10:30am
1/27	Ultimate Warrior@West Branch	9:00am
1/3	Gold Out Match Mini Thon	
1/24	Senior Night	



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# Julia Pinter Signs With Wake Forest

By Larry Cory

Bangor High School’s Julia Pinter signed a Letter of Intent Wednesday afternoon to compete in the Javelin with the Wake Forest Track and Field team next year in Winston Salem, North Carolina where she plans to major in Exercise Science.

Her athletic career path, however, wasn’t always headed in that direction.

“I played softball up until my 8th grade year and my dad suggested that I should try (javelin),” Pinter said. “So, I came out freshman year, kind of dealt with COVID not having practice, and started throwing. I just stuck with it and I ended up loving it and started doing it more competitively.”

Pinter, who also plays soccer and basketball, still finds time to perfect her javelin throw.

“It’s kind of just time management and things like that,” she said. “I love playing sports, kind of being all around. I love my teammates being out with my friends at the sport.”

When she finds time to work on throwing the javelin, she says that “technique,” is the most difficult part of the sport.

That technique, however, has led her to consecutive Colonial League

Championships, and a second place in the District 11 AAA tourney. Along the way she also tied the school record with a throw of 136-10.

### Highlights of Pinter’s athletic career at Bangor:

- Four-Year Letterwinner in Girls’ Soccer and Track and Field
- Three-Year Letterwinner in Girls’ Basketball
- PIAA 3A Track and Field Championships (Javelin) - 5th Place (2023)
- District XI 3A Track and Field Championships (Javelin) - 2nd Place (2023), 4th Place (2022)
- Two-time Colonial League Javelin Champion (2022, 2023)
- Tied school record with throw of 136-10 in javelin
- District XI 5A Girls’ Basketball Runners-Up (2021-22, 2022-23)
- Two-time qualifier in PIAA Championships in both Girls’ Basketball and Track and Field
- Team Captain - Girls’ Soccer
- Colonial League Girls’ Basketball Honorable Mention All-Star (2022-23)
- LehighValleyLive.com Flrst Team All Star in Track and Field (2022-23) and Honorable Mention All-Star in both girls’ soccer and girls’ basketball (2022-23)



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# Merlin Repsher A Fire Fighter For Life

by Larry Cory

It's safe to say that Merlin Repsher has been a fire fighter in the making most of his life, and therefore not surprising that he is celebrating 60 years of service with the Bangor Fire Department.

Much of his career path has been filled with many memorable experiences that have led him to a satisfying, lifelong experience as a fire fighter. As a child, he lived on Miller Street just a short distance from the Second Ward Fire company in South Bangor. One night, while he and his family were visiting friends on Messinger Street in Bangor, a few blocks from home, they received a call that the A & P (now the Bangor General Store on Broadway) was on fire. He was asked if he wanted to walk "uptown" to see the fire, which was an experience that he would never forget.

His uncle was the fire chief in Cornwall Heights, Bucks County where Repsher recalls him responding to fire calls. "One time he took me to the station and showed me how to operate the siren on one of the fire engines," Repsher said. "He had to lift me up so I could stand on the running board and depress the siren switch with my hands. I kept at it until he lifted me off the running board."



At play in his youth, he fondly remembers spending time playing with toy fire trucks, and when the fire whistle sounded, he knew that the real fire trucks would be rolling ASAP.

"I guess the bottom line is, from early childhood with my uncle's influence, I (always) wanted to be a fire fighter," he said.

After serving his country with the Air Force, he returned

home and submitted an application to Rescue Fire Company to become a fire fighter.

He was accepted into active membership on October 6, 1963 to serve a one-year probationary period. Sixty years later, he continues his service to the community as an active fire fighter.

During his career he has served as Chief Engineer of the Pumper for 35 years and was



Assistant Fire Chief for five years. He also served in every position from Fire Recorder to President, except for Trustee.

In 2013 he was given a citation by Matt Cartwright honoring him for 50 years of service, and just a short time ago, he received a similar citation from Ann Flood for 60 years of service.

In 1964, he began attending Northampton County Fire School classes and their monthly business meetings. In 1972, he was elected Treasurer, a position he still holds 51 years later.

Repsher was a PA State Fire Academy Certified Non-Suppression Instructor and Northampton Community College Adjunct Professor, teaching 30-hour classes in Pump Operations as well as a VFIS Certified Emergency Vehicle Driver Training Instructor.

One of the accomplishments which Merlin is most proud of is when he and Anthony Curcio in 1972 introduced the idea of using a new alerting system, where each member had an alerting unit which was activated by Blue Mountain Control Center. This took the place of the pull stations throughout the town which had activated the siren.

He also is well known for his rendition of taps on Veterans Day and Memorial Day.







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