# Slate Belt Town Topics NEWSTODAY NOT NEXT WIELK

#### Scoreboard

Bangor 42, Catasauqua 27

on Wednesday, December 6, 2023

at Catasauqua

107 - Jonathan Bealer won by forfeit (0-6)

114 - Gavin Hacker won by forfeit (0-12)

121 - **Jace LaBar** dec. Evan Reed, 4-2 (3-12)

127 - Carter Smith pinned Jonathan Rizzo, 1:54 (9-12)

133 - Mikhail Hartranft pinned **Tyler Balok**, 2:20 (9-18)

139 - Aidan McNulty pinned Brenden Takacs, 0:57 (15-18)

145 - **David Sipley** dec. Jonathan Cordon-Pinto, 11-4 (18-18)

152 - Jaxson Kreider pinned Miles Melendez, 6:41 (24-18)

160 - **Riley Waldron** pinned Donovan Torres, 1:48 (30-18)

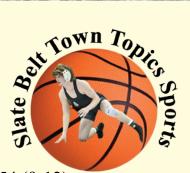
172 - Landen Smith pinned Christopher Wellington, 1:05 (36-18)

189 - Austin Richards pinned Braden Bartholomew, 7:14 (42-18)

215 - Chad Beller pinned Alex Alvarado, 0:49 (42-24)

285 - Jacob Ramos dec. Gianni Goodrich, 7-4 (42-27)

Bangor wrestlers in **bold**.



# WEATHER AND HEALTH

**Arthritis (0-Good 10-Worst)** 

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Asthma (0-Good 10-Worst)

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Sinus (0-Good 10-Worst) 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

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A cold front is expected to bring 2.0-3.0 inches of rainfall to the region with locally higher amounts possible.

http://www.weather.gov/safety/flood

#### Precautionary/Preparedness Actions...

You should monitor later forecasts and be alert for possible Flood Warnings. Those living in areas prone to flooding should be prepared to take action should flooding develop..

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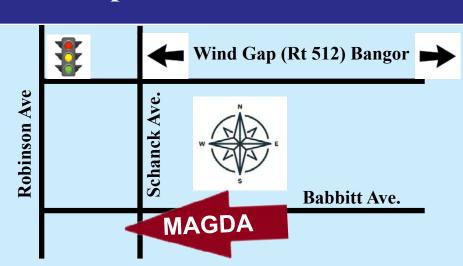
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"This program is being funded in whole with funding from the Hotel Tax Grant Program through the County of Northampton

Department of Community & Economic Development."

# 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."

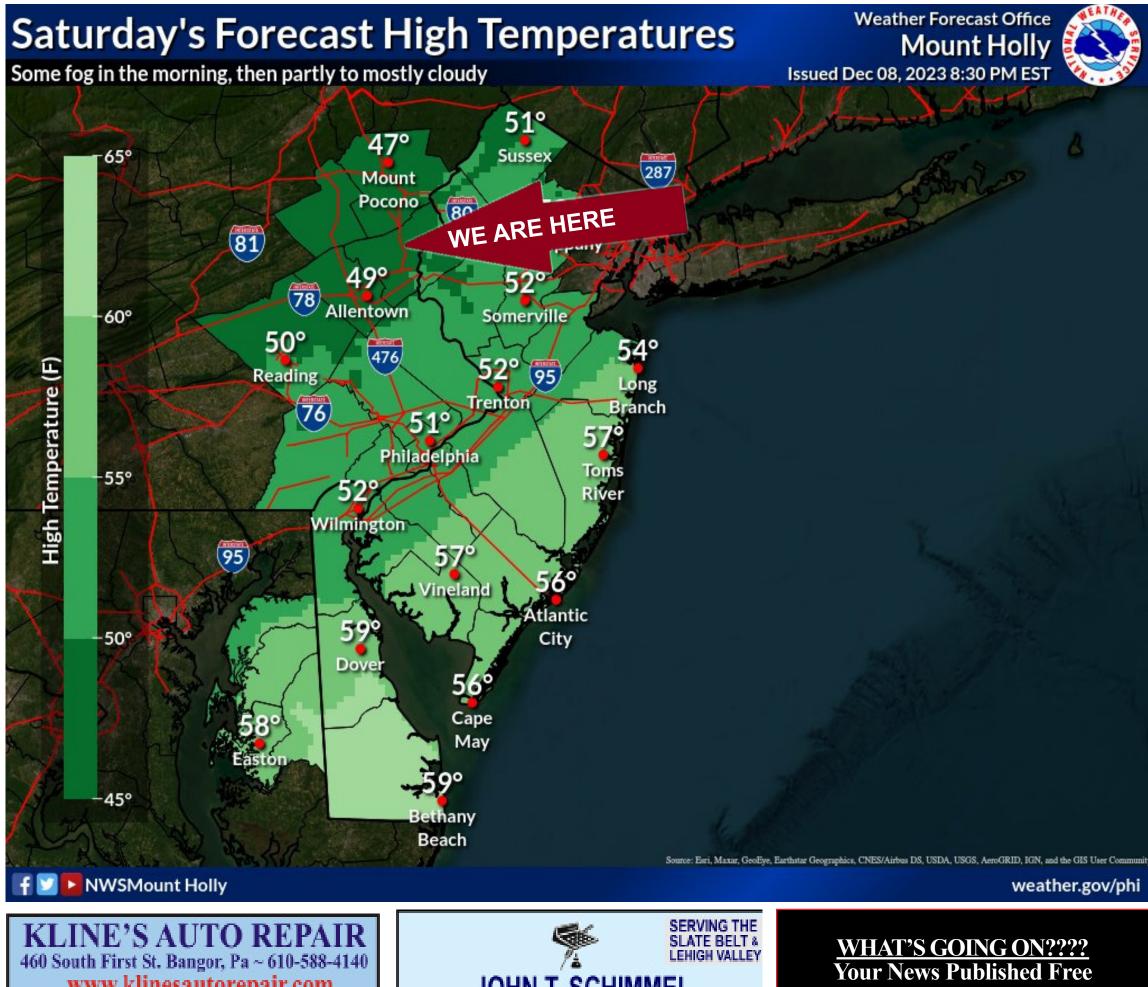
The poll found 86% of travelers prefer to stay somewhere quiet and clean to relax in after the hubbub of visiting with family all day during the holidays.













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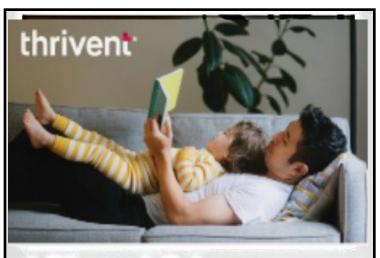
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Each year around this time, friends and families begin mailing their holiday cards. Christmas Card Day on December 9th serves as a reminder to get your stamps, envelopes, and cards together so you can share your holiday cheer.

Sending a card during the holidays hasn't always been a tradition. In Victorian England, sending Penny Post was inexpensive and frequent. It was also considered rude to ignore a written message. One particularly popular Victorian invented the holiday card out of necessity. Sir Henry Cole received frequent letters, and it left him little time for other responsibilities. In 1843, he asked his friend J.C. Horsley to illustrate a design he had in mind. Soon, Cole was off to the printer, and he mailed the first Christmas card in the Penny Post to friends, family, and many acquaintances



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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

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. You can also click the link below for the registration. The cost is \$45 per space.

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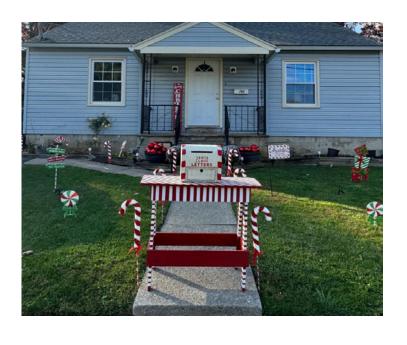


### Santa's Mailbox Enters It's Fourth Season

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 Trayes 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.

If you need the book mailed to you, add \$10.00 for shipping costs. Make checks payable and remit to the Slate Belt Heritage Center, 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA. Att: Marc Blau.



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# Holiday Happenings



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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.

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ar 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

#### **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.

#### **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 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

#### 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 was 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 Anglelini 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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Slate Belt native Garnet Sleep put Mr. Pastie in the national market place in 1981 and bought the business in 1985,

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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 hasbeen 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** 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





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#### **Special Events**

#### **PUBLISH YOUR EVENT**

To publish info about your event, e-mail 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 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 transtions 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. Check Their website for current conditions and snow depth: https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/WinterReport/Pages/default.aspx

#### **December 9**

Blue Flame Events is bringing holiday fun from 9-3 December 9 to the Slate Belt Branch of the Greater Valley YMCA for the 3rd year! We're thrilled about this event! We're looking for vendors and crafters for this festive event! Space is limited here so be sure to register early!

To request a registration text (272)-200-8163 or email blueflameevents@yahoo.com!

Vendor/Crafter Cost = \$40 per space

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

#### **Winter Tree ID**

Saturday, December 9 at 2:00pm to 3:30pm No leaves to be seen? Dichotomous keys help you identify trees! During this program you will learn how to use a dichotomous key to identify trees by examining the twigs. You will discover common patterns among groups of plants and tricks to help you remember those groupings. After the lesson, we'll head out for a short walk to practice our new skills. Registration required. https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search=jacobsburg

#### **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

### Festive Holiday at All Aspects

Join us for a festive Holiday experience at All Aspects at the Barn for our Santa's Christmas Market & Holiday Festival Saturday December 9 from 10-4.

Shop several local Artisan vendor tents, savor a delicious meal from our food trucks, enjoy wine and beer from Stone Lake Winery, listen to live music all day and create lasting memories with Photos along side of Santa at our 1951 Ford F1 pick up truck with Photography by Lauren Kinsel.

Holiday shop outside and inside our Barn store for holiday specials, enter our raffle and a chance to win hourly door prizes!

Don't forget to bring your kids to our event for a world of sweet delights at the candy counter, endless fun in the bounce house and playground, and a chance to meet, feed and pet our adorable animals at the Petting Farm. It is a family fun day that you won't want to miss!

Embrace the winter magic at our festival and cozy up by the inviting fire pits at our new Pavilion.

**TIME**: Artisan Vendor Tents, Food Trucks and Festival: 10am -4pm; Photos with Santa & Live Music 11am-4pm

#### FREE ADMISSION.

**LOCATION:** All Aspects at the Barn is located at 1584 S Delaware Drive, Upper Mount Bethel, PA 18343.

**PARKING:** Pull in, drive straight through the gates and around the back of our store. We have lots of parking behind the Barn.

INTERESTED VENDORS can email Becky, with All Aspects at the Barn at AllAspectsRecycled@gmail.com

#### December 9-10

#### **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.

#### **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 Sabinspired; 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! 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 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

#### 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.

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

#### **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

#### **Project Feeder Watch**

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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 15-16

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#### February 29 - March 1

#### **Project Feeder Watch**

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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.** 

Vendor Cost = \$45 per space

#### **March 21-22**

#### **Project Feeder Watch**

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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.

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@blueflamevents.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. 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/1FAIpQLSdINM0TWEytCu49Z LdiE14aD6RBD-S---znvZolnG2u3VD4LQ/ 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@blueflamevents.co.

Advertising opportunities are also available! To request more information simply text/call (272)-200-8163 or email 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**

#### Friday December 8

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 9**

Blue Mountain Library - 10-12 Bangor Public Library - 10-4

**Columcille Tours -** Free. 9:30-11:30. Meet at Stone circle.

**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 10**

**Breakfast** - Bushkill Volunteer Fire C. 7:30-12:30.

**Fellowship Dinner** - Breaking Bread soup kitchen, 4:00pm. Cross Road Baptist, Bangor.

Slate Belt Heritage Center - Open 12-3. Slate Belt YMCA - 10-2

#### **Monday December 11**

**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 December 12**

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 December 13**

**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 December 14**

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 December 15**

**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 3:3

**Slate Belt Senior Center** - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show

Slate Belt YMCA - Open 5:00am - 9:00pm

#### **Saturday December 16**

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 17** 

Slate Belt Heritage Center - Open 12-3. Slate Belt YMCA - 10-2

#### **Monday December 18**

**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

**Plainfield Township Planning Commission** - Municipal Building, 7:00 pm.

**Lower Mount Bethel Supervisors - Meets** Centerfield Building - 7pm

Pump - 8:30-11:30

Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm

#### **Tuesday December 19**

Bingo - Portland Fire Co., 7pm.

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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

Mission of Love Food Pantry & Clothes Closet - N. Main St., Bangor, 10-2

**Roseto Planning Commission** - 7:00pm Borough Hall Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm Washing Twsp. Planning - 7pm Wind Gap Boro - Council 7pm

#### **Wednesday December 20**

**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 8-4. Blue Valley Farm Show

**UMBT Planning Commission** - Township Building, 7:30pm

Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm

#### **Thursday December 21**

**Bingo** - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm. Bingo 7pm.

**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

**UMBT Planning Commission** - Township Building, 7:30pm

Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pmm

#### Friday December 22

**Bingo** - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm. Bingo 7pm.

**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

**UMBT Planning Commission** - Township Building, 7:30pm

Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm

#### Saturday December 23.

**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 24**

**Fellowship Dinner** - First UMC Bangor, 12:30-1:30.

**Portland Sunday Sundaes** - 6:30 - 8:00pm (Summer only)

Slate Belt Heritage Center - Open 12-3. Slate Belt YMCA - 10-2

#### **Monday December 25**

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

#### Regular Events

**Bangor Borough Council -**Workshop, Bee Hive, 7:00pm Pump - 8:30-11:30 **UMBT Supervisors** -7pm Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am -8:00pm

#### **Tuesday December 26**

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm **Bangor Public Library** - Open 1-8

Slate Belt Senior Center - Open 8-4. every Saturday, at A Clean Slate, Blue Valley Farm Show

.Bangor Borough Council - 12:30pm Workshop, Bee Hive, 7:00pm

**Washington Twp. Recreation** - 7pm **Roseto Zoning** - 7pm Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am -

8:00pm **UMBT Zoning** - 7pm Room, 7pm

#### Wednesday December 27

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

Slate Belt Senior Center - Open 8-4. Blue Valley Farm Show Slate Belt YMCA - 6:00am -

8:00pm

Pen Argyl Council Workshop -

**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

**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

Slate Belt YMCA -8-4 **Slate Belt Heritage Center -**Open 12-3

Hope, Faith & Recovery Group, 118 S. 1st, St. Bangor. 11:30am -

#### **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

**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 -

Wind Gap Planning - 7pm

#### Friday January 5

Bingo - Wind Gap Fire Co., 6:45. Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12

Bangor Public Library - Open

**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 Breaklfast -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

**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

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 -

#### SLATE BELT CHURCH INFORMATION











### **Christ Presbyterian Church** of The Slate Belt

332 Kennedy Drive, Bangor www.christpcsb.org
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#### East Bangor UMC 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt.512) East Bangor

136 W. Central Ave. (Rt.512) East Bango 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 to sign in) Dec 13 10:30am & 7pm - Bible Study

#### **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 610-759-9080
Email:gracebelfast@rcn.com

#### Flicksville UCC

1337 Lower South Main St., Bangor
Pastor Ken Hess 610-588-4648

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Children & Adult Sunday School 9:30

Worship at 10:45 AM

### **Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church**

703 South Delaware Drive Mt. Bethel, 18343

http://www.celcpa.org/ Email: celcpaorg@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 Sunday Worship - Weekly at 10:00 a.m.

# First United Methodist Church of Bangor Pastor Elisandra Garcia - 610-588-4673

Pastor Elisandra Garcia - 610-588-4673 55 North Third Street, Bangor PA 11:00am service (Communion First Sunday)

#### Prince of Peace Ev. Lutheran Church

Rev. Michael J. Scholtes, 610-588-55 2445 Lake Minsi Dr, Bangor

popbangor.org poplcbangor@gmail.com

Sunday Worship 9:45 am (Weekly Communion) Sunday School 8:30 am



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#### **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 Tranformations by Ron

#### **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**

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The Witch: Subversion The Witch 2: The Other One

**COVID-19 VACCINE UPDATE** 

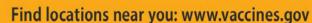
#### Everyone ages 6 months and older should get an updated COVID-19 vaccine.

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











#### **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

**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.

#### **PUBLISH YOUR EVENT**

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

### Slate Belt Winter Sports Schedule 2023-24

Bangor Boys (1-2)			Bangor Girls (2-2)			<b>Bangor Wrestling (2-4)</b>			
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12/5/	Saucon Valley @ Pen Argyl	L 36-30	12/5/	Pen Argyl @ Saucon Valley			Palmerton @ Pen Argyl	7:00pm	
12/7/	Palmerton @ Pen Argyl	L 55-23	12/7/	Pen Argyl @ Palmerton	L 61-36		Pen Argyl @ Lehighton	-	
12/9	Pen Argyl @ Lincoln Leader.	2:45pm		Wilson @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm		Salisbury @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm	
12/11/	Pen Argyl @ Wilson	6:45pm		Notre Dame G.P. @ Pen Arg	-			7:00pm 9:00am	
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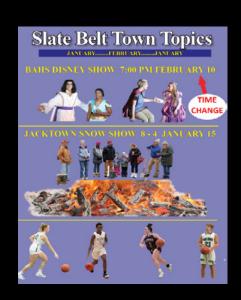
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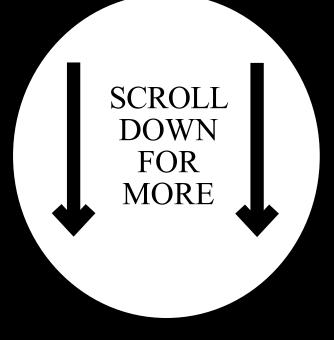
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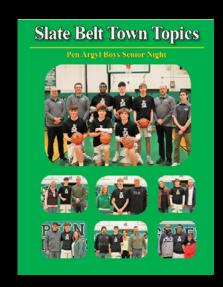


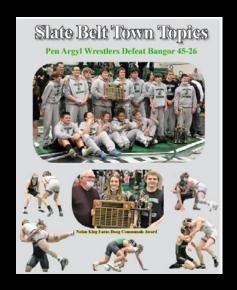






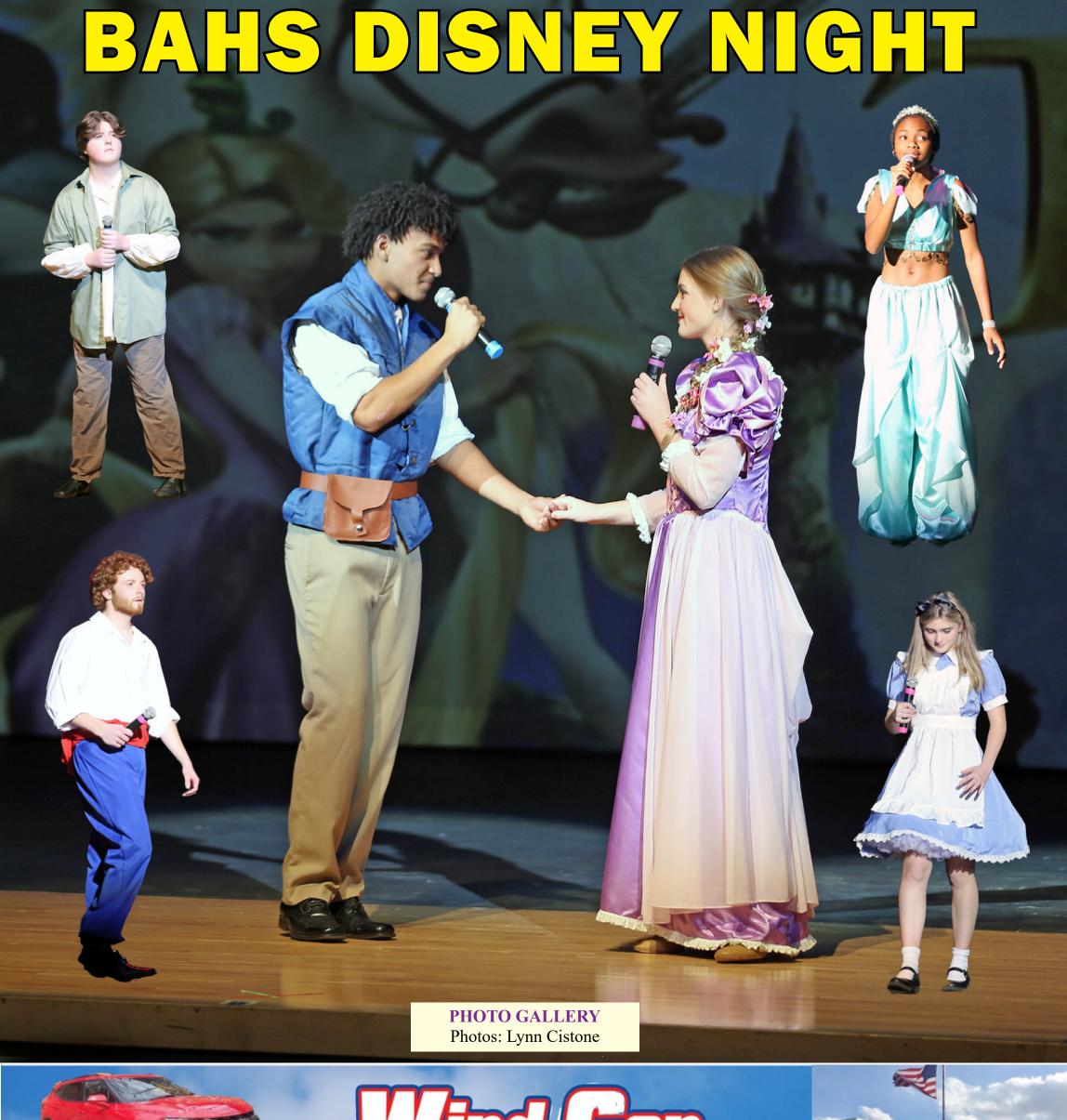






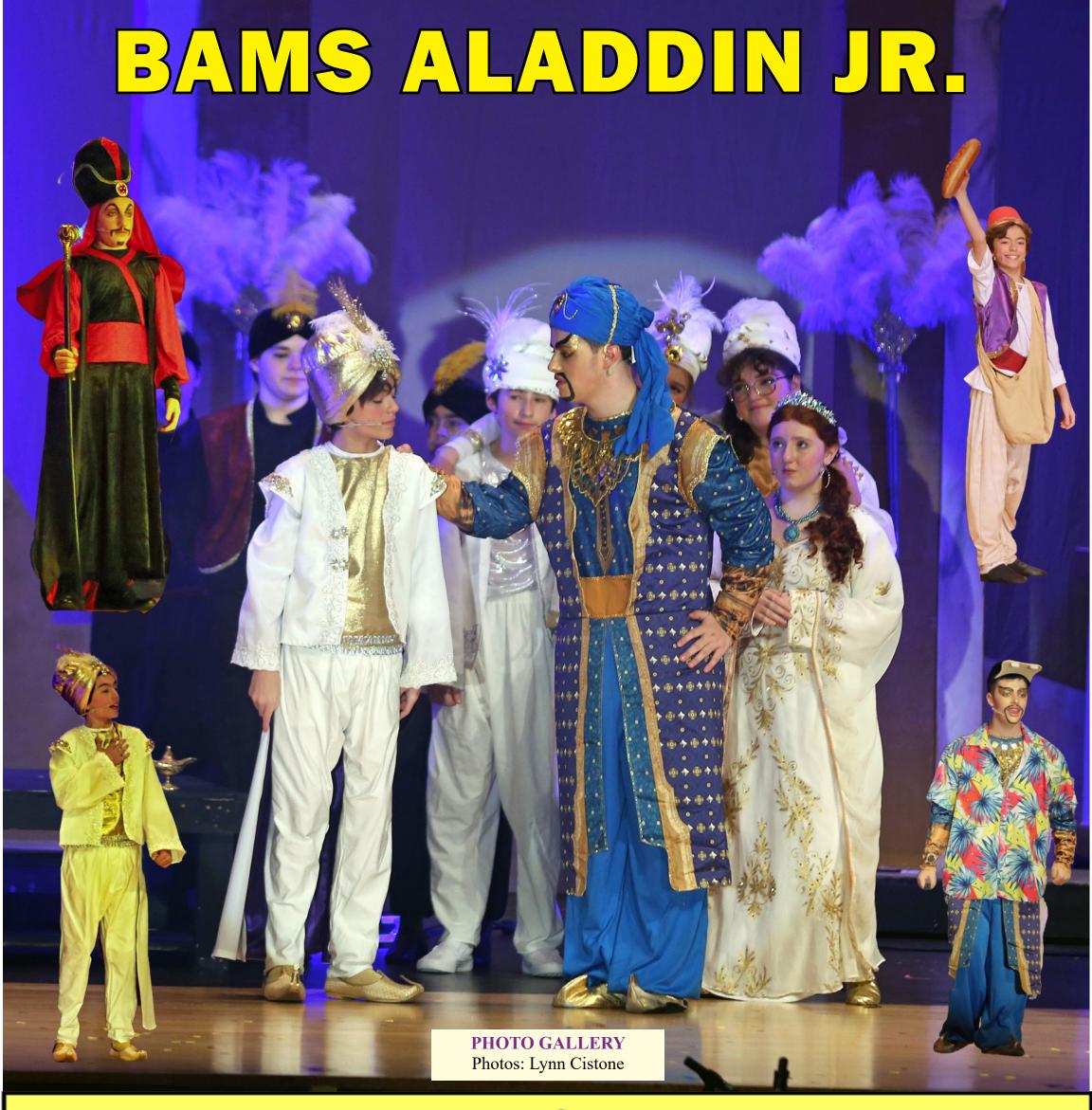
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### Julia Pinter Signs With Wake Forest

#### 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 High 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)

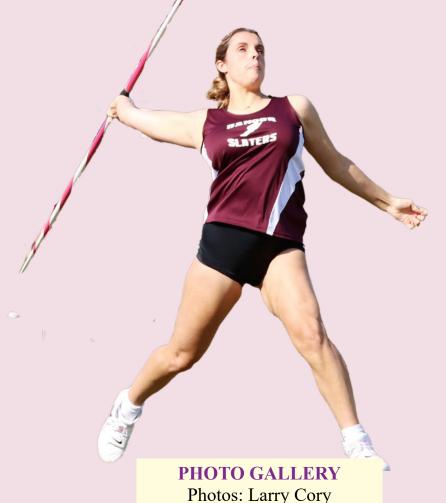
• Two-time qualifier in PIAA Championships in both Girls' Basketball and Track and Field

• Team Captain - Girls' Soccer

• Colonial League Girls' Basketball Honorable Mention All-Star (2022-23)

• LehighValleyLive.com FIrst 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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