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# Washington Students Honor Local Organizations













Students from Washington Township Elementary School honored several local organizations for their valuable contributions to the welfare the Slate Belt. Those groups included: Washington Township Fire Co., Washington Township Police, Slate Belt Regional Police, Slate Belt Health and Rehab, Dyle E. Bray VFW Post 739, East Bangor Police and Bangor Police. Student presenters were. Mia Caesar, Lucas Sandt, Emmelia Klein, Dana Kulak, Kayden Weidman, and Catyia Diaz. Community School Director Deborah Bowman arranged the event while Washington Interim Principal Courtney Burris presided.

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(L)Washington Interim Principal Courtney Burris makes presentation to Bangor Area School District Chief of Police Christopher Ryan (R) Deborah Bowman with VFW representatives.

# Marketplace316 Open

Marketplace316 is hosting pop up vendor events every weekend in January!

Message them to see if they have availability for what you sell!

**Send Message Here** 

#### **Roseto Ice Skating**

The Roseto Borough ice skating rink is open. starting today February 6. It will be open daily from 9am to 7pm as weather permits. The rink is located under the pavilion at Roseto Ball Park. The only open gate is the main entrance off McKinley and Denisco streets. Bring your own skates.

## **Bangor Facade Grants**

Looking for a brighter outlook and a brighter facade. If you want to improve your storefront or your homefront, we can help you with dollars to spend on improvements.

Bangor, PA facade grants through Slate Belt Rising are first come, first serve. For more information check out the Slate Belt Rising website: <a href="http://www.slatebeltrising.org/services/">http://www.slatebeltrising.org/services/</a>

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St.Luke's Vaccination Plan Page 18 (Click Here)

# **Magda Family Dental**

**BANGOR** 323 Blue Valley Dr, (610) 588-1571 **magdafamilydental.com** 

STROUDSBURG 17 South Sixth St. (570) 420-9332 magdadental.com



#### **Columbia Fire Lenten Dinners**

Columbia Fire Co.Lenten dinners are now available. Reservations only, seating times 5:00, 5:30, 6:15, 6:45, & 7:30.

Reservations: Ken Tillman @ 610-659-0130 if no answer call back, do not leave a message. Reservations begin February 22. No walk-ins.

Please follow Covid-19 protocol. New menu will be posted early in the week.



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#### Pennsylvania Eagle Cam



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#### **Blue Lotus Wellness Center**

Breathe and connect to nature Sunday, March 21 at 11 am with this deeply focused Yoga Hike accompanied by an introduction to AromaTouch, which is a clinical approach to applying essential oils along energy meridians and visceral contact points of the back and feet to help balance sympathetic and parasympathetic nervous systems of the body. \$20.

Tickets: bluelotusnazareth.com/shop/ols/products/aromatouch-yoga-hike

#### **Daily Weather Updates** slatebeltweather.com

#### **NWS Forecast - February 26**

#### **Today**

Sunny, with a high near 41. Calm wind becoming south around 5 mph.

#### Tonight

Snow, mainly after midnight. Low around 29. East wind around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation is 90%. New snow accumulation of around an inch possible.

#### **Saturday**

Rain, mainly before noon. High near 46. Northeast wind around 5 mph becoming calm. Chance of precipitation is 90%. New precipitation amounts between a tenth and quarter of an inch possible.

#### Saturday Night

Mostly cloudy, with a low around 35. West wind around 5 mph becoming calm in the evening.

#### **Sunday**

Rain. High near 44. Calm wind becoming east around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation is 80%. New precipitation amounts between a quarter and half of an inch possible.

#### **Sunday Night**

A chance of rain. Cloudy, with a low around 37. Chance of precipitation is 30%. New precipitation amounts of less than a tenth of an inch possible.

#### Monday

Mostly sunny, with a high near 48.

#### **Monday Night**

Mostly clear, with a low around 20.

#### **Tuesday**

Sunny, with a high near 36.

#### **Tuesday Night**

Partly cloudy, with a low around 23.

#### Wednesday

Partly sunny, with a high near 44.



# Vendor/Craft Show Planned for June

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

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

10ft x 10ft. All spaces are outdoors and will be socially distanced apart from other vendors. No access to Utilities (water, electric, wifi, etc). Applications must be mailed. Vendors will be accepted as first come, first serve.

Outdoor Event - Rain or Shine. Food and Drinks For Space Info contact, Aundrea Morrison 610-984-7101 or email <a href="mailto:bdjm@gmail.com">bdjm@gmail.com</a>



#### **HELP WANTED**

Pen Argyl Borough is seeking a detail oriented experienced administrative assistant. Individual will report directly to the Borough Manager. Qualified candidate must possess strong interpersonal skills, be reliable, organized and be able to maintain strict confidentiality. Expertise in Microsoft Office products and payroll applications is a requirement. Local Government experience is a plus. Submit resume to:

Robin Zmoda, Pen Argyl Borough, 11 N. Robinson Ave., Pen Argyl, PA 18072 or manager@penargylborough.com by February 26, 2021. EOE

## **Kims Kozy Crochet**

Introducing a little shop in Bangor that makes crocheted baby blankets, throw blankets, doilies, organic soaps, candles. CBD soaps and more. They also do custom orders on crochet items, soaps- must be ordered by loaf(10 bars), also do custom candles must order 12 or more to do custom order. Inquire within.

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#### Story Walk at Jacobsburg

A StoryWalk Weekdays and Weekends, Sunrise to Sunset is a trail with pages of a story book placed along the way.

This self-guided trail is a flat 1/3 mile walk good for families with young children. Start at the tree beyond our mailbox at 400 Belfast Rd./Gate B7 and end inside the garden with a special surprise!

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library.

#### **Attention Coffee Lovers**

Oak & Crow Coffee is teaming up with Liberty Fire Company #2 to bring you the Dirty 30's "Smoke Eater" Dark Roast coffee. For each 12 oz bag purchased, Liberty Fire Company #2 will receive part of the proceeds. Since they are in the early stages of getting this rolling, it is not currently available on the website, but will be soon enough.

#### **Mail-In Ballot Info**

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

https://vimeo.com/pacounties/review/508454728/64ee77919d



# All Aspects Restored & Recycled

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

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

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

Call 610-509-5881 to schedule or private message them.

#### Roseto Mailroom Offers Pack, Ship And Drop-Off

The Roseto Mailroom offers a local Pack & Ship and Drop-off location for both UPS and FEDEX. We are located between Easton and East Stroudsburg on route 191 in the borough of Roseto PA.

Authorized ship center for UPS and FEDEX. Drop off location for UPS and FEDEX. USPS .https://www.facebook.com/rosetomailroom/

https://rosetomailroom.com/ frontdesk@rosetomailroom.com

Northampton County has a 24-hour hotline for all Human Services related emergencies.





# Takeout Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

A takeout Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner will be hosted by Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, 703 S. Delaware Dr. (Route 611), Mt. Bethel (Stone Church) on Saturday, March 13.

Please call Chrissy at 610-588-080 to pre-order your Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner by March 10. Pick up the dinners from 3 pm to 6 pm. Dinners are \$13 and include corned beef, cabbage, carrots, potatoes, pickled beets & a dessert. For additional information call Chrissy at 610-588-0809.

# High-Risk Activities for Getting COVID 19

Here are examples of activities and situations that can increase your risk of exposure to COVID-19:

- Going to a large social gathering like a wedding, funeral, or party.
- Attending a mass gathering like a sporting event, concert, or parade.
- Being in crowds for example, in restaurants, bars, airports, bus and train stations, or movie theaters.
- Traveling on a cruise ship or river boat

# A reminder for dog owners

All dogs over 3 months of age must be licensed. Lifetime licenses are available but, if you don't have one of those, you must purchase an annual license which is good from Jan. 1st to Dec. 31st.

Owners of unlicensed dogs can be subject to a fine of \$300. Register on line or in person at the County Courthouse at 669 Washington Street, Easton, PA 18042. <a href="https://www.northamptoncounty.org/.../DOG-LICENSES.aspx.">https://www.northamptoncounty.org/.../DOG-LICENSES.aspx.</a>.

# **Basic Boating Course**

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

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

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

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

#### St. John's Cemetery

Donations for St. John's Cemetery in Bangor are being accepted for maintenance. You can mail them to St. John's Cemetery c/o Carol Hummel, 136 Messinger Street, Bangor, Pa 18013.

#### **PUMP Needs Your Help**

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

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

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

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

#### All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast

Bangor Elks Lodge #1106 All-you-can-eat-breakfast First Sunday of every month 7 am – 11 am. Starting Superbowl Sunday February 7th, 2021

#### 100th Anniversary Weona

Purchase the 100th Anniversary History Book of Weona Park as a nostalgic present for a loved Pen Argyl resident. Loaded with tons of photographs and information and lovingly put together by Walt Cole. Please contact the author at 610-863-6472. Checks payable to Pen Argyl Park and Athletic Association. Mailing options available



# **Snowshoes and Hiking Poles Available**

Monday thru Friday, 8:00 AM-2:30 PM at Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth

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. More information call 610-746-2801 or <a href="mailto:email\_jacobsburgsp@pa.gov">email\_jacobsburgsp@pa.gov</a>.

Check their website for current winter conditions and snow depth: <a href="https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/">https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/</a> WinterReport/Pages/default.aspx

#### **State Food Assistance**

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

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

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

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

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

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

# CDC Expands the Definition of 'Close Contact'

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention released new guidelines on Wednesday regarding what counts as "close contact" with someone who has COVID-19.

The expanded definition includes brief but repeated exposure to others with the virus that adds up to 15 minutes over a 24-hour period. Previously, the CDC defined close contact as spending 15 consecutive minutes or more within six feet of someone with COVID-19.

This makes mask-wearing even more important for preventing transmission





# Where to Eat

#### Napoli Pizza

Dine-In, pick up & delivery. 610-588-1455, 444 S 1st St, Bangor. M- Sat 11-9. Sun. 12-8, Tue - Closed. More Info: Click Here

#### **Slate Belt Diner**

Open for take out. Outdoor Dining 610-452-9205, 370 Blue Valley Drive. More Info: <u>Click Here</u>

#### **Daisy Family Restaurant**

Open 11-9 Sun-Thurs. 11-10 Fri. & Sat. Order by phone for curbside pickup and have your food brought to your vehicle, or order at the counter and take it with you. 6589 Sullivan Trail Wind Gap, (610) 863-4044. Cash or credit still accepted. More info: Click Here

#### **Three Brothers Pizza**

Three Brothers Pizza is now open in the former Plainfield Diner on Sullivan Trail. Dine In 7am-10pm Call 610-863-4950 to order.

More Info: Click Here

#### Mt. Bethel Diner

Mt. Bethel Diner open for Dine-In and Take-Out Mon - Sun 8am - 7pm. Call ahead to order 570-897-6409, 2600 N. Delaware Drive, Mt. Bethel, Pa 18343. More Info: Click Here

## Family & Friends Takeout

Family and friends country restaurant is open for take out at are window or curbside pick up. Full menu available. Call for daily specials 610-759-7477. They are located on route 512 in wind gap next to Albanese garden center. More info: Click Here

#### Gap Diner

The Gap Diner in Wind Gap is open for dining-in Sun.-Wed 6am-Midnight and 24 hrs Thurs, Fri, & Sat. More info: Click Here

#### TK's Restaurant

TK's will open June 5 in their outdoor seating and To Go services. 7am - 11pm 7 Days A Week. 570-897-6112. There will be a 75-minute limit for each table service if instructed by staff.NO MORE than 10 people per table unless you are a family from the SAME household. To See menu: Click Here

#### **Little Creek BBQ**

Hours: Thurs, Fri & Sat 2-7. Sun. 12-5. Closed Mon, Tue, Wed. 610-588-3831.More info: Click Here

#### **Fuher's Tavern & Grill**

Fuhrer's Tavern & Grill at 104 Main St., Portland has opened (previously O'Neill's Place) Non-smoking. Families welcome. Masks required. No bar seating Table seating at 25% capacity. Reservations not required but suggested. Outside seating available. Open 10 am - 9 pm. Kitchen open 11-9, last seating at 8 .last call for food and drinks at 8:30. (570) 897-5590.

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#### Where to Eat

#### Sal's Pizza

Sal's Pizza 487 E. Moorestown Road, Wind Gap. 610-863-7665. Open daily 11am -9pm. Closed Tuesday More Info: Click Here

#### **Doughboys**

Original Doughboys Pizza and Restaurant, 230 W. Moorestown Rd, Wind Gap. Open 11-9 daily. 610-759-3776. More Info: Click Here

## Pen Argyl Pizza

Pen Argyl Pizza 510 E. Main St, Pen Argyl. 610-863-6670. M-Sat (11-10) Sun (10-10)

More Info: Click Here

#### 512 Restaurant

512 Restaurant 2 East Pennsylvania Ave, Pen Argyl. Tues-Sunday, Curbside and delivery. 610-881-4540. More Info: Click Here

#### **Detzi's Tavern**

Detzi's Tavern 570 North Lehigh Ave., Wind Gap. 863-9882. Open 4-7:30. and Noon-7:30 Wed., Thurs, Fri & Sat. More Info: Click Here

#### **Slate Pub**

Slate Pub 509 E. Main St., Pen Argyl. 610-881-4700. Opens 12. No reservations will be taken at this time. All social distancing and government mandates will be followed.

- Masks must be except at the table.
- No more than 4 people per table.
- Tables must remain 6' apart

More Info: Click Here

#### **Broadway Pub**

Broadway Pub 62 Broadway, Bangor. 610-452-9226. COVID Hrs. Tues-Sun (2-8).

More Info: Click Here

#### **Daily Weather Updates slatebeltweather.com**

#### **Boar Barbecue**

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

#### **Five Points Grill & Pub**

Five Points Grill & Pub 1001 Mt. Bethel Highway, Mt. Bethel. 610-588-1773. Reservations are highly encouraged! It helps make your dining experience run as smoothly as possible. Please call us at (610)588-1773. More Info: Click Here

#### M &M Vineyards Open

M & M Vineyards 18 Shepherds Hill Dr. Bangor is open for <u>CURBSIDE</u> pick-up, carry-out, and wine tasting.

Hours: Friday: 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Saturday: 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM Sunday: 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Look for them on Facebook or see their website at. <a href="http://mmvineyards.com/">http://mmvineyards.com/</a>

# Dinky's Hours in Bangor

Dinky's Ice Cream Parlor on the corner of Rte 191 and Broadway in Bangor is open Thursday & Friday 3-8 Saturday & Sunday 12-8. Even with the COVID 19 restrictions you can still support your local businesses. More info Click Here

## Clever Girl Winery Tasting Room Now Open

Clever Girl Winery's tasting room is now open at 15 Broadway in Bangor Fridays from 4:30-7:30pm, and Saturdays & Sundays from noon to 5pm.

They look forward to sharing their passion for wine with you. They are a 21 and over establishment.

These Restaurant listings are free because of the limitations placed on eateries due to the Coronavirus pandemic. If you have any other listings you want to add contact Slate Belt Town Topics sbtopics@rcn.com or call 610-863-1988







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## Bangor Library New Books Blue Mt. Community Library

February 4 - February 11

#### Adult Fiction

The Viscount Who Loved Me

Adult Non-Fiction

J.K. Lasser's Your Income Tax 2021

Natural Disaster: I Cover Them. I am One. By

Ginger Zee

#### **Easy Fiction**

Charlie and the Cheese Monster by Justin C. H. Birch

Love from the Crayons by Drew Daywalt

Now One Foot, Now the Other by Tomie DePaola

Coco: Read-Along Storybook and CD by Aaron

Rivera-Ashford

The Starry Night by Neil Waldman

#### **Large Print Fiction**

Amish Front Porch Stories: 18 Short Tales of Simple

Faith and Wisdom by Wanda Brunstetter

The Happy Camper by Melody Carlson

Shadow Woman: A Novel by Linda Howard

The Christmas Table by Donna VanLiere

#### **Junior Fiction**

Baby-Sitters Little Sister 2: Karen's Roller Skates by

Katy Farina

Wings of Fire: The Graphic Novel Book 1: The

Dragonet Prophecy by Tui Sutherland

Wings of Fire: The Graphic Novel Book 2: The Lost

Heir by Tui Sutherland

Wings of Fire: The Graphic Novel Book 3:The

Hidden Kingdom by Tui Sutherland

Rosa Parks: Freedom Rider by Keith Brandt

#### **Junior Non-Fiction**

Gone to the Woods: Surviving a Lost Childhood by

Gary Paulsen

White House Winners: What You Don't Know

About the Presidents by L. J. Tracosas

#### **Young Adult Fiction**

Bitterblue by Kristin Cashore

Winterblue by Kristin Cashore

A Vow So Bold and Deadly by Brigid Kemmerer

You Have a Match by Emma Lord

#### **DVDs**

Adventureland

In Time

Rambo III

New Books February 2021

#### **New Fiction:**

The Return, Nicholas Sparks

The Sentinel, Lee Child

Things in Jars, Jess Kidd

The Law of Innocence, Michael Connelly

#### **New Adult Large Print:**

You Betrayed Me. Lisa Jackson

Piece of my Heart, Mary Higgins Clark

Autumn Skies, Denise Hunter

Fortune and Glory, Janet Evanovich

Little Wishes, Michelle Adams

#### **New Nonfiction:**

The Daughters of Yalta, Catherine Katz Growing Up on the Gridiron, Vicki Mayk The Truths We Hold, Kamala Harris

#### **Weona Park Pool Study**

To read about Pen Argyl's Pool Feasibility study **CLICK HERE** 

# **Blood Donors Needed**

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

## **Food Pantry**

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

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



# COVID-19 VACCINATION PHASES IN PENNSYLVANIA



# Phase 1A

Long-term care facility residents

Health care personnel including, but not limited to:

- Emergency medical service personnel
- Nurses
- Nursing assistants
- Physicians
- Dentists
- · Dental hygienists
- Chiropractors
- Therapists
- Phlebotomists
- Pharmacists
- Technicians
- Pharmacy technicians
- Health professions students and trainees
- Direct support professionals
- Clinical personnel in school settings or correctional facilities
- Contractual HCP not directly employed by the health care facility
- Persons not directly involved in patient care but potentially exposed to infectious material that can transmit disease among or from health care personnel and patients

# Phase 1B

- People ages 75 and older
- People in congregate settings not otherwise specified as LTCF and persons receiving home and community-based services
- · First responders
- Correctional officers and other workers serving people in congregate care settings not included in Phase 1A
- Food and agricultural workers
- U.S. Postal Service workers
- Manufacturing workers
- · Grocery store workers
- Education workers
- Clergy and other essential support for houses of worship
- Public transit workers
- Individuals caring for children or adults in early childhood and adult day programs

# Phase 1C

- People ages 65-74
- People aged 16-64 with high risk conditions causing increased risk for severe disease

Essential workers in these sectors:

- Transportation and logistics
- Water and wastewater
- Food service.
- Housing construction
- Finance, including bank tellers
- · Information technology
- Communications
- Energy, including nuclear reactors
- Legal services
- Federal, state, county and local government workers, including county election workers, elected officials and members of the judiciary and their staff
- Media
- · Public safety
- · Public health workers

# Phase 2

 All individuals not previously covered who are 16 and older and do not have a contraindication to the vaccine (note that at this time, only the Pfizer-BioNTech product is approved for those age 16 and 17) Remember all the restaurants and small businesses that you've asked for years and years to donate to your clubs, events, and organizations? They're calling in a favor.

Answer the call.

# #MaskUpPA

#### **Vaccine Scams**

The FBI has warned of one of the fastest-growing frauds in the U.S. right now — scams related to the COVID-19 vaccine.

Emails or online advertisements regarding a vaccine waiting list or offers to get vaccine doses shipped directly to your homeYou cannot pay money to put your name on a list to get the vaccine or get early access to the vaccine. Beware of generic greetings, grammar and spelling mistakes, or suspicious links and attachments in email messages

Phone calls or emails from a "vaccine distribution site" or "health care provider/insurance company" asking for your personal information.

In these instances, do not provide your social security number, credit card, or bank information

Social media posts with disinformation about the vaccine's origins and efficacy. Many times these may be accompanied with links to malware-laden websites or sites selling worthless and/or harmful products.

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Cj Miles (5) led Bangor with 31 points in the Slaters 71-47 win over Wilson Tuesday Evening. *Photo: Larry Cory* PHOTO GALLERY

# Slaters Advance to Semi-final

by Larry Cory

The Bangor boys used two big spurts to score a convincing 71-47 win over Wilson Tuesday night in the quarterfinals of the Colonial League playoffs at Bill Pensyl gym.

Bangor will entertain Northwestern tonight in a semi final game at 7 pm. Early in the game the Slaters out-scored the Warriors 16-2 to take an 18-7 lead. Wilson, however wasn't ready to warm up the bus and go home and slowly closed the game to 38-31 in the third quarter.

The Slaters unrelenting fast break and tight defense eventually took its toll on the visiting Warriors, and from there, the Slaters went on a 33-16 run to pull away from the Warriors for the win.

CJ Miles, although shutout in the third quarter, led the Slaters with 31 points. including a pair of threes and seven of eight from the free throw line.

Gabe Zieba added 16 points mostly coming on hard drives to the hoop. Sophomores Josh Giaquinto and Justin Petersen followed with seven and five points respectively. Dan Heald added six, Skyler Hackerberg 4, and Jace Eldridge 2.

# Bangor Girls Advance To Semi-Finals

Madison Kluska hit a trio of threes early on and finished the game with 17 points leading the Bangor girls to a 48-42 win over Wilson in a Colonial League quarter final Tuesday.

Bangor advances to the semi finals at Northwestern tonight at 5pm

Bangor jumped to a 10-1 lead and still led 10-6 entering the second quarter and held on for a 28-15 advantage at halftime.

Bangor continued to dominate in the third quarter taking a 39 - 27 lead going into the final period.

Wilson cut into the Slaters' lead in the final period, but Kluska scored six points down the stretch as Bangor held on for the win.

Each team had 11 turnovers. Bangor made 7 of 16 from the free throw line, Wilson made 12 of 19.

McCormick Karner backed Kluska with 8 points while Emma Toth had 7. Emily Ohland, Emma Stout, Madeline Stout and Brynn Holland all scored 4.



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- · Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- · Avoid touching your eyes, nose & mouth.
- Wash hands often with soap & water for at least 20 seconds.

#### **2021 PA Fishing Licenses**

2021 PA fishing licenses are now on sale from the PA Fish and Boat Commission. Licenses, permits and gift vouchers can be purchased online or by visiting retail license issuing agents.

Valid immediately for up to 13 months through Dec. 31, 2021. Multi-year options are also available in increments of 3, 5, and 10 years.

https://www.fishandboat.com/Pages/default.aspx

## **Legion Baseball Sign-Ups**

Roseto Legion will be holding Baseball sign ups on March 27, 2021 from 11 am to 1 pm for boys 16 to 18 years of age.

(Can not turn 19 before January 1, 2021)

And must live in the Bangor area School District.

Sign ups will be at the Roseto Legion 143 Garibaldi Ave, Roseto PA (Please enter from the rear of the Legion off of Roseto Ave)

If you can not make it to the live sign ups, you can email Steve at <u>bvrschief71@gmail.com</u> with your interest in playing.

# **Spring Baseball News**

Spring registration will be open from January 16, 2021 to February 19,2021 for the Competitive Rookies (8), Minors (9-10) and Majors (11-12).

Registration for Instructional also known as T-Ball (4-5) and Rookies (6-7) will be from January 16th to March 6th.

There will be an email going out to everyone in the next few weeks and registration will be accepted via the <a href="https://www.slaterbaseball.com">www.slaterbaseball.com</a> website.

There will be COVID protocols in place that will be outlined in a separate document and will be presented during the online registration process. If anyone has any questions email <a href="stauffer.michael@hotmail.com">stauffer.michael@hotmail.com</a>

#### **Heritage Center Reopens**

The Slate Belt Heritage Center has reopened for visitors for the remainder of the winter season. The Center will be open every Sunday, from 12:00- 3:00 until the beginning of April.

Their monthly presentations will continue to be posted on our Facebook page, Slate-Belt-Heritage-Center-SBHC. Their next presentation will be by Cullen King, entitled "Their Past, Our Future: Why our History Should Provide Hope Today." Cullen grew up in Pen Argyl, and attended the College of Wooster and the University of Michigan, focusing on Library and Archival Work. He served as an intern at the Slate Belt Heritage Center during the summer of 2020. He will speakabout the insights he gained as an intern about the importance of history, and discuss the website that he created for the Center

The presentation will be posted on the Center's Facebook page on Thursday, January 21st. All past programs are archived on the Facebook page as well. Please check out this interesting view of history and their place in it. The Slate Belt Heritage Center is a 501©3 organization, concerned with the preservation and teaching about the culture and artifacts of the various groups that settled in the Slate Belt



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## **Northampton County Drive-Thru COVID Testing**

To get a test at the drive-thru site an individual must report or display one or more CDC-recognized symptoms of COVID-19. Please bring your ID and insurance card with you. Tests are free for Northampton County residents who don't have insurance.



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# Cornonavirus Variant May Spread 70% Faster

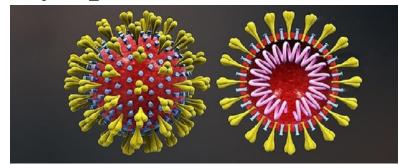
Just as vaccines begin to offer hope for a path out of the pandemic, officials in Britain this past weekend sounded an urgent alarm about what they called a highly contagious new variant of the coronavirus circulating in England.

Citing the rapid spread of the virus through London and surrounding areas, Prime Minister Boris Johnson imposed the country's most stringent lockdown since March.

But the estimate of greater transmissibility — British officials said the variant was as much as 70 percent more transmissible — is based on modeling and has not been confirmed in lab experiments, Dr. Cevik added.

Several experts urged caution, saying it would take years — not months — for the virus to evolve enough to render the current vaccines impotent.

"No one should worry that there is going to be a



single catastrophic mutation that suddenly renders all immunity and antibodies useless," Dr. Bloom said.

"It is going to be a process that occurs over the time scale of multiple years and requires the accumulation of multiple viral mutations," he added. "It's not going to be like an on-off switch."

The scientific nuance mattered little to Britain's neighbors. Worried by the potential influx of travelers carrying the variant, the Netherlands said it would suspend flights from Britain from Sunday until Jan. 1.

# Slate Belt Chamber Offers Scholarships

The Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce applications for Scholarship Achievement Award 2021 are available March 1st at the guidance departments of Bangor High School, Pen Argyl High School, Faith Christian & Career Institute of Technology.

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

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

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

## **Home Heating Assistance**

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

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

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## **Unwanted Med Disposal**

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

Most municipal buildings in Northampton County, including the Courthouse at 669 Washington St. in Easton, offer collection boxes for unused prescription medication.

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#### Cellar Door in Belvidere

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# St. Luke's Plan for Vaccinating Communities

St. Luke's has engaged in extensive preparations to expand COVID-19 vaccination access to the general population in a smooth, orderly and safe fashion.

St. Luke's thus far has concentrated its vaccination efforts on Phase 1a priority groups As they prepare for the state to move into the next phase as announced today, St. Luke's has developed a process to allow individuals to sign-up for notifications regarding the vaccine.

"We are proceeding in a thoughtful, orderly and safe way," says Jeffrey Jahre, MD, St. Luke's Senior VPMA regarding the Department of Health's announcement today. "As per the state, we are opening scheduling to individuals age 65+ and those with medical conditions. To avoid lines and chaos, we are prioritizing individuals at the highest risk starting with individuals 75+ and rapidly working down the list as we have supplies.

We anticipate that with increased supplies in manufacturing and the addition of other vaccines, like Johnson & Johnson's, that there will be rapid increase in our ability to accommodate the entire population."

As of today, anyone can pre-register for vaccination through the St. Luke's MyChart portal at www.sluhn. org/vaccine. Those who do not have a MyChart account may create one.

Alternatively, individuals who are currently eligible to receive the vaccine (health care providers, nursing home staff and first responders) may call, 1-866-STLUKES (785-8537), option 7.

After completing a brief questionnaire, MyChart users will be notified when it is their turn to schedule an appointment for the vaccine, which they will be able to do online.

If accessing MyChart via the St. Luke's mobile app, users can find the COVID-19 Vaccine pre-registration under "Questionnaires à Optional Questionnaires."

Questions related to MyChart can found here or by calling 1-866-STLUKES (785-8537), option 5.

# LVHN COVID-19 Vaccination

If your are age 75 or older, or people age 65 and older as well as people ages 16-64 with serious medical conditions, you can receive a COVID-19 vaccination. Schedule your appointment today to get vaccinated at LVHN's first drive-through COVID-19 vaccination clinic at Dorney Park in Allentown Jan. 27, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

An appointment is required at this and all of LVHN's vaccination locations. The vaccination is free.

Making an appointment is easy.

Step 1: Sign in to MyLVHN

Make sure your account settings are correct (Log in and click "Menu," "Account Settings," and then edit).

Step 2: Make an appointment

When you are logged in to MyLVHN, you will see a notification that you have a COVID-19 vaccine to schedule. To set up your appointment, press "Schedule Now."

Press "Schedule now" to schedule your first dose of the COVID-19 Vaccine

While MyLVHN is the fastest, easiest way to schedule an appointment, another option is to call 833-LVHN-CVD (833-584-6283). The ability to schedule an appointment is dependent upon the supply of available vaccine at LVHN, which is determined by the State of Pennsylvania.

**Odyssey Edu-camp** 

Odyssey Edu-camp is ready to TAKE OFF into the spring semester! Do you want your child to join us? Each morning students are guided and assisted through their online education program and three afternoons a week get to enjoy a fun filled afternoon day camp! Tuesdays feature gym, Wednesdays feature art, and Thursdays feature music!

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