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Students Emerge as Leaders During COVID-19

As learning has gone virtual to curb the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, educators and parents have been left with a pressing concern: how will this experience impact social and emotional development?

"The pandemic is having profound effects on children's mental well-being, their social development, their safety, their privacy, their economic security and beyond," a policy brief by the United Nations stated.



"While children are not the face of this pandemic, its broader impacts on children risk being catastrophic and amongst the most lasting

consequences for societies as a whole."

While maintaining progress in core subject areas is imperative, a



curriculum that develops leadership skills is equally essential to ensure that emotional development continues virtually.

An independent research study commissioned by Lead4Change found that students who completed the Lead4Change Student Leadership Program experienced tangible emotional growth. The program

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Wind Gap Road Paving

Wind Gap Boro - E West St and Longcore Rd will be closed Mon 7/13 thru Wed 7/15 for paving of both streets. Weather permitting.

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involves lessons in leadership, as well as creating and implementing team projects to meet a need in the community. Those that completed the program experienced significant changes in leadership skills (60 percent of students improved), respect for others (54 percent) and ambition and innovation (53 percent). Programs of this nature can be completed virtually by adapting projects to address current concerns, and they can not only succeed without physical contact, but offer unique challenges that help students to grow as leaders.

Students at Mohave High School in Bullhead City, Ariz. reconsidered their project when quarantine began, creating a read-aloud library of developmentally appropriate books for preschoolers. With high schoolers reading preschoolers books and teaching them literacy and social development skills, this resource allowed an early childhood program to continue virtually.

"The students developed a 'can do attitude' while working collaboratively to adapt to their new normal," said teacher, Michele Leyendecker. "With so much uncertainty, this project truly gave them purpose." The "T-Bird Readers" team was awarded Lead4Change's grand prize, a \$10,000 grant for a nonprofit of their choice.

In Garner, N.C., students participated in service learning and emerged as community leaders by directly addressing the local impact of the pandemic. The "Corona Relief Crew" collaborated with volunteers and vendors to create and distribute kits with essential food and supplies for the homeless and those in nursing homes who have been severely impacted by the pandemic.

The Corona Relief Crew was also honored with Lead4Change's \$10,000 grand prize for their initiative. For more information about the Lead4Change Student Leadership Program, visit lead4change.org.

While distance learning's impact on students' education has been unprecedented, this disruption also has presented a unique opportunity for students to overcome obstacles and grow as leaders. With a service-learning project, students can gain a sense of purpose, lead real change in their local community and maintain a sense of unity that is integral during challenging times. (StatePoint)

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Murray Courtyard Concert

The second of the Historic Bangor Business Association's outdoor concerts in the Murray St. Courtyard between Bangor Trust Brewing and Empire's Coffee will be held Saturday July 11 from 6-9pm.

Featured local acts include Traverse the Abyss, Glass Street, Vitruvia, and Easternfault!

The concert will be held on an outdoor stage so you can spend your evening enjoying great live music while still following all social distancing guidelines. Bangor Trust Brewing and ShawneeCraft Brewing Company will be serving up some of the best brews in the area!

Enjoy food from one of the many downtown Bangor restaurants and bring it to the show.

Show starts up around 6PM. All ages (The Murray St. Courtyard is a licensed facility and all alcoholic beverages must be purchased at Bangor Trust Brewing or Shawnee Craft Brewing by guests 21 and older. ID is required) There will be covered tables and chairs to let you view the acts in comfort! Remember to bring your masks.

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Ongoing Traffic Alerts

- Delabole Rd closed from American Bangor Road to Molasses Rd for Bridge repair.
- Roadwork on Belvidere Road both directions 0 miles West of DePues Ferry Road, PPL. Lane restriction.
- Roadwork on I-78 westbound between Mile Post: 60.5 and Mile Post: 60.0. There is a lane restriction.
- **Roadwork on I-78 westbound** between .5 miles west of Exit 45: PA 863 and .7 miles west of Exit 35: PA 143 traffic disruption.
- US 22 between PA 191 and 25th Street Weekend restrictions Friday nights 9 PM thru Monday mornings at 6 am. Weeknight lane restrictions 9pm to 6am. (West bound first then East Bound)
- Jacobsburg Road Between: State Park Road and Belfast Road Restriction: Closed and detoured for bridge repairs Start date: 6/15/20 Est completion date: 9/22/20. All day restrictions.
- **Portland Borough and Upper Mount Bethel Township.** Boulder Drive Between: State Street and Middle Village Road. Boulder Drive will be closed and detoured. Detour will route passenger vehicles on Middle Village Road, PA 611 and State Street. Truck detour will route truck traffic on Middle Village Road, Jacoby Creek Road, Railroad Avenue, PA 611 and State Street. The closure is related to the replacement of the State Street Bridge over Jacoby Creek. Est completion date: 8/31/21

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Road Work - July 12- July 16

US 22 West Between:25th Street and PA 191. Night-time Lane restrictions weeknights 09:00 PM To 06:00 AM. Expect significant delays and use caution driving through the work zone. Through traffic on US 22 west should consider using Interstate 78 west as an alternate route. Start date: 7/13/20. Est completion date: 7/24/20

Bushkill Township. State Park Road Between:Jacobsburg Road and Church Road Daytime
Lane restriction with flagging 09:00 AM To 02:00 PM.
Start date:7/14/20 Est completion date:7/14/20

Bushkill Township. Filetown Road. Between: Jacobsburg Road and Sullivan Trail Road Daytime Lane restriction with flagging for base repair 09:00 AM To 02:00 PM. Start date: 7/15/20. Est completion date: 7/15/20

Bushkill Township. Henry Road. Between: Jacobsburg Road and Belfast Road. Daytime Lane restriction with flagging for base repair 09:00 AM To 02:00 PM. Start date: 7/16/20. Est completion date: 7/16/20

Bushkill Township. Belfast Road Between:Meyer Road and Jacobsburg Road. Daytime Lane restriction with flagging for base repair 09:00 AM To 02:00 PM. Start date:7/17/20. Estcompletion date:7/17/20

Bushkill Township. Cherry Hill Road Bushkill Center Road and Nazareth Drive. Daytime Lane restriction with flagging 09:00 AM To 02:00 PM. Start date:7/13/20 Est completion date:7/17/20

Restrictions in effect (time of day):

Plainfield Township. Pen Argyl Road Between:PA 191 and Main Street. Daytime Lane restriction with flagging 09:00 AM To 02:00 PM. Start date:7/13/20. Est completion date:7/17/20

Plainfield Township / Upper Mt. Bethel Township. PA 191 Between:Pen Argyl Road and Monroe County Line. Daytime Lane restriction with flagging 09:00 AM To 02:00 PM. Start date:7/13/20. Est completion date:7/17/20

US 22 West Between:25th Street and PA 191. 24-Hour Lane restrictions from 9 PM Fridays through 6 AM Mondays.Expect significant delays and use caution driving through the work zone. Through traffic on US 22 west should consider using Interstate 78 west as an alternate route. Start date: 7/10/20. Est completion date: 7/20/20

NWS Forecast - July 12

Monday

A slight chance of showers before 9am. Patchy fog before 8am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 85. Calm wind becoming west around 5 mph in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation is 20%.

Monday Night

Mostly clear, with a low around 61. Northwest wind around 5 mph.

Tuesday

Sunny, with a high near 83. Northwest wind around 5 mph.

Tuesday Night

Mostly clear, with a low around 62. North wind around 5 mph.

Wednesday

Mostly sunny, with a high near 83.

Wednesday Night

Partly cloudy, with a low around 65.

Thursday

A chance of showers after 2pm. Partly sunny, with a high near 82. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

Thursday Night

A chance of showers, with thunderstorms also possible after 8pm. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 67. Chance of precipitation is 50%.

Friday

A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 83. Chance of precipitation is 50%.

Friday Night

Partly cloudy, with a low around 68.

Saturday

A chance of showers. Mostly sunny, with a high near 86. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

Saturday Night

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Sunday

A chance of showers. Mostly sunny, with a high near 88. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

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Paws on the Patio

Paws on the Patio Fundraiser will be held July 15 from 7-9pm at the Murray St. Courtyard 48 Broadway, Bangor.

Support the Slate Belt Animal Advocacy featuring deliciousness from FRO'MO organic plant based FROZEN dog treats, fresh craft brews from Bangor Trust Brewing, and Dinky's Ice Cream Parlor serving frozen treats and HOT-DIGGITY-DOGS.

Proceeds of sales will be given to the Slate Belt

Animal Advocacy Group. The SBAAG will also have some adoptable (and very pet-able) kitties. Bring your well behaved 4 legged furry friend to the Murray St. Courtyard for a good (GREAT!) cause.

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July 17

Bangor Park Movie

The Bangor Park Board is hosting a Movie night featuring Trolls World Tour on Friday night, July 17 (rain date is July 18th). The movie starts at dusk, which is around 8:30 pm.

Seating will be on the large grassy area in front of the pool building and all family groups will need to be seated 6-feet apart from other family groups. If

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There is no charge for the movie but a suggested donation of \$5 per car is much appreciated. Dinky's Ice Cream Parlor will be on site selling food and refreshments.

For more information please call or text Debbie at 610-751-7692.

July 21

Be a hero, donate blood

Be a hero, donate blood! Tuesday, July 21, 1-6 PM. At the American Legion Post 927, 646 Fairgrounds Road, Gilbert PA

To make an appointment for a specific time, go to redcrossblood.org.

July 19

EBUMCC Service

East Bangor United Methodist Community Church, 136 W. Central Ave., East Bangor, Sun., July 19 - 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Online)

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Support Group

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They are in search of your time, talents, and gifts of those who can enhance community with sharing pathways of recovery, and supporting families.

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July 31-August 2

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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

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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

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Little Creek BBQ

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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.

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Sal's Pizza

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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. Tables both under and outside the tent. 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

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Broadway Pub

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

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Five Points Grill & Pub

Five Points Grill & Pub 1001 Mt. Bethel Highway, Mt. Bethel. 610-588-1773. Closed until further notice. More Info: Click Here

Boar Barbecue

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

JT Grill

JT Grill at Miller's Egg Ranch on Route 12, East Bangor is serving breakfast and lunch from 10am-3pm Tuesdays through Saturdays! Tuesday, June 9th lunch special:Italian Hot Dog with Beverage Outdoor seating available. More info: Click Here

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August 15

Strohe Golf Tournament

The Todd Strohe Memorial Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, August 15 at Whitetail Golf Course 8:00 Shotgun w/Lunch following. More info later.

August 16

Vendor and Craft Fair

The Washington Township Volunteer Fire Company is having a Vendor & Craft Fair on Sunday August 16th, 2020 (new date) from 9am to 3pm. Food and Drinks will be sold by the fire company.

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Free Meals For Kids

Reminder for parents of school-aged children: If your child gets free meals when school is in session, you can receive money for meals through the Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) program

Details: http://on.pa.gov/2MOkvPc. Application: http://on.pa.gov/3d5j0b6.

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Bangor Library New Books

June 25 - July 2

Adult Fiction

Mrs. Lincoln's Sisters: a Novel by Chiaverini Jennifer

Fair Warning by Michael Connelly

The Goodbye Man by Jeffrey Deaver

The Guest List: a Novel by Lucy Foley

The Lies that Bind: a Novel by Emily Giffin

The Southern Book Club's Guide to Slaying

Vampires by Grady Hendrix

The City We Became by N. K. Jemisin

The Book of Longings by Sue Monk Kidd

Someone Like You: a Novel by Karen Kingsbury

The Moment of Tenderness by Madeleine L'Engle

Robert B. Parker's Grudge Match by Mike Lupica

Tom Clancy Firing Point by Mike Maden

The Girl in White Gloves: a Novel of Grace Kelly

by Kerri Maher

The Key to Happily Ever After by Tif Marcelo

Fearless by Fern Michaels

Texas Outlaw by James Patterson

A Conspiracy of Bones by Kathy Reichs

Hideaway by Nora Roberts

The Last Odyssey: a Thriller by James Rollins

Chosen Ones by Veronica Roth

In Five Years: a Novel by Rebecca Serle

The Heirloom Garden by Viola Shipman

All Adults here by Emma Straub

Girls of Summer: a Novel by Nancy Thayer

Redhead by the Side of the Road: a Novely by Anne Tyler

Big Summer: a Novel by Jennifer Weiner

Valentine: a Novel by Elizabeth Wetmore

The Book of Lost Friends: a Novel by Lisa Wingate

The Engineer's Wife by Tracey Enerson Wood

Junior Fiction

The One and Only Bob

Easy Fiction

The World Needs More Purple People by Kristen Bell

I Believe I Can by Grace Byers

DVDs

Birds of Prey: and the fantabulous Emancipation

of One Harley Quinn

Call the Midwife: Season 9

Cats

Clue the Movie

The Gentlemen

The Hunt

The Invisible Man

1917

Blue Mt. Community Library

Located at 216 S. Robinson Ave., Pen Argyl, PA. Open: M, Th and Sat from 10-Noon and M, & Th from 6-8 PM. Visit the website at www.bmcl.org or call 610-863-3029 for information or to request books. Their Facebook page is www.facebook.com/bmclpenargyl.

New Fiction

The Secret Guests -Benjamin Black Recipe for a Perfect Wife - Karma Brown

Last Day- Luanne Rice

Dear Edward - Ann Napolitano

The Big Lie- James Grippando

The Other Mrs.-Mary Kubica

Lady Clementin - Marie Benedict

Behind Every Lie - Christina McDonald

The Vineyards of Champagne - Juliet Blackwell

Lies That Bind - Ashley Farley

Cold Heart Creek - Lisa Regan

When We Left Cuba - Chanel Cleeton

Spring House - Mary Ellen Taylor

Sisters By Choice - Susan Mallery

The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek - Kim M.

Richardson

An Everyday Hero - Laura Trentham

The Girl He Used to Know - Tracey Garvis Graves

The Fifth Column - Andrew Gross

The Other Bennet Sister-Janice Hadlow

A Reasonable Doubt-Phillip Margolin

The Red Lotus-Chris Bohjalian

Mercy House -Alena Dillon

Weather- Jenny Offill

Long Bright River-Liz Moore

The Favorite Daughter-Kaira Rouda

Twisted Fate-Dana Miller

The Grace Kelly Dress-Brenda Janowitz

The Sun Down Motel-Simone St. James

The Scent Keeper - Erica Bauermeister

In an Instant - Suznane Redfearn

Snow Creek-Gregg Olsen

Thief River Falls-Brian Freeman Crooked River-Douglas Preston

The Boy from the Wood-Harlan Coben

The Beach House-Rachel Hanna

The Book of Lost Friends-Lisa Wingate A Long Petal of the Sea-Isabel Allende

The Words I Never Wrote-Jane Thynne

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Crisis Text Line



Text 'PA' to 741741

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline



1-800-273-8255

Preventing suicide in PA



preventsuicide pa.org/

Disaster Distress Helpline



800-985-5990

Get Help Now for substance use disorder



1-800-662-4357

Veterans in crisis



veterans crisisline.net

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Avoiding Foggy Glasses for Mask Users

1. **Adjust the** If the air is goof your breath or out around

- 2. Athletic day after day,
- 3. **Soapy wa-** washing your Soap acts as a



ties or the ear loops so the mask fits snugly against your face. ing out the top, you don't have your mask on correctly. Most should be going through the mask. If you feel the air going in the mask, tighten the ties.

tape is also a possibilty, however, if you wear the same mask the tape may harm the mask.

ter. A British surgeon published a paper in 2011 showing that glasses with soapy water and letting them air dry can help. surfactant — which stands for surface active agent — and the

soapy water leaves behind a thin film that stops the water molecules from forming droplets that lead to fog.

4. You can buy commercial anti-fogging wipes and sprays, but it could get expensive. One brand, FogTech Dx, sells on Amazon for \$30 for 20 wipes — or about \$1.50 per wipe. One treatment is supposed to last for three to five days

Wipe and sprays may be difficult to buy right now. Some sites we went to suggested you that they are on back order. Other sources say it may 2-4 weeks to get them online. However, if you know someone who is an avis swimmer he or she may have some.

Talking and Breathing May Spread The virus

People resistant to social distancing may reconsider that thought after a prestigious scientific panel told the White House Wednesday night that research shows the coronavirus can be spread not just by sneezes or coughs, but also just by talking, or possibly even just breathing.

"While the current [coronavirus] specific research is limited, the results of available studies are consistent with aerosolization of virus from normal breathing," according to the letter, written by Dr. Harvey Fineberg, chairman of a committee with the National Academy of Sciences.

Fineberg said that he will start wearing a mask when he goes to the grocery store.

Several other experts are now talking about wearing masks every time you interact with the public during essential visits to places like your local grocery store or pharmacy.

Considering that people with no coronovirus symptoms at all can carry the virus, a simple conversation with someone like that could spread the virus to you if you are less than six feet apart.

Met-Ed Suspends Shut-offs

Effective immediately, Met-Ed is temporarily discontinuing power shutoffs for customers who are past due on their electric bills. FirstEnergy, Met-Ed's parent company, will continue to monitor the coronavirus response situation and adjust the shutoff policy in the future as circumstances develop.

Met-Ed encourages customers who are having difficulty paying their electric bill to contact its customer service department at 1-800-545-7741 to discuss customer assistance programs.

PPL Waives Late Fees

PPL Electric Utilities has waived all late payment fees and announced it will not cut service. PPL has several programs available to help customers having a hard time paying their bills:OnTrack offers a lower, fixed monthly bill and debt forgiveness for customers who make 150 percent of the poverty level or less. CARES can help customers experiencing a temporary hardship. Calling 1-800-358-6623

Public Service Announcements

Let Washington Township Fire Co. Decorate Your Yard

Washington Twp Vol Fire Co would like to decorate your yard with some patriotism and thanks to all our local essential workers, front liners and volunteers serving during this pandemic.

They are doing this as a 'no contact' fundraiser for their fire company. They have had to postpone and cancel some of their popular fundraiser events due to the COVID and this will help them tremendously while uplifting spirits in our communities.

You will be decorated within a few days of placing your order through JCC Screenprinting. The website will be up and running in the next few days. Online ordering will be running through the summer months. Memorial Day is this weekend. The Fourth of July. And don't forget Labor Day in September.

You can show your appreciation in this way by either displaying in your own yard or ordering for someone else's yard to say thanks.

Your \$50 contribution to WTVFC will include one dozen American flags and also a double sided thank you sign with our logo that you keep.

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Weona Park Book

A Centennial book is being written to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Weona Park in Pen Argyl.

Anyone with fond memories or interesting stories should send them to Walt Cole at wrcole3@gmailcom This would include any information from your parents or grandparents. Perhaps a grandparent or great-grandparent helped to build the park, or worked on a WPA project during the Depression. Perhaps you worked at the park, were a life guard or had an interesting experience.

Stories about sporting events, swimming, or any activities would be of interest. They are also interested in pictures of family reunions, church gatherings or other organizations having picnics at the park. They are also looking for pictures of the clay tennis courts, the old miniature golf course, the band shell and events at the athletic field. Please check out those old photo albums for memories to share.

Celtic Cultural Scholarships

The Celtic Cultural Alliance (CCA) has announced that several scholarships will be awarded this year to students pursuing the study of Celtic dance, music, or art.

Please contact Marcie Mulligan, mmulligan@celticfest.org, for information related to either scholarship.

For more details about the scholarship programs and to download the applications, visit their webpage at the Celtic Classic which runs from September 25 through September 27, in downtown historic Bethlehem.



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Public Service Announcements

WTVFC Farmers Market

Washington Township Volunteer Fire Company is looking for local farmers/greenhouses who sell; vegetables, fruits, meats, honey, flowers, etc. and who would like to set up a farm stand at the fire house on Saturdays and Sundays from 8am to 4pm rain or shine.

WTVFC is looking to help raise funds but also help our Farmers who are unable to sell at their usual Carnivals and Flea Markets.

Spots sizes are determined by the farmer and will cost \$10 per day. All spots will be in a grassy area and must be cleaned up by the end of the day or the weekend. Multiple farmers per day are welcome, but spots will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

Farmers are responsible for their own chairs, tables, coverings, etc. No electric, water, or other utilities will be provided or available. WTVFC is not responsible for any lost/stolen belongings, equipment, etc. that is left on the property overnight.

For additional info or to reserve a spot call Brett Morrison at 484-542-9517 or Aundrea Morrison at 610-984-7101 or email <u>bdjm987@gamil.com</u>

Tasty Tuesdays

Trinity Lutheran Church, located at 4th and Broadway in Bangor, offers a free bag lunch program to children, their families and anyone in the community this summer. Tasty Tuesdays begins on Tuesday, June 2 and runs thru mid August.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, lunches will contain non perishable food items and will be available for drive-up/walk-up pick up in the large church parking lot.

Each lunch contains water, juice, healthy snack bar, chips, fruit/fruit cup, and a choice of a main food item such as canned soup/tuna/pasta and more. Call the church at 610-588-2023 to register.

BASD Free Meals Program

Bangor Area School District continues to offer free breakfasts and lunches to students through July and August. Curb-side pick up remains 10-11:30am Monday-Thursday. Email meals@bangorsd.org to reserve.

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.

PPE Supplies For Pen Argyl

County Executive Lamont McClure and Northampton County has provided Pen Argyl Borough with some PPE supplies to distribute to non-profits and small businesses in the Borough to assist in the reopening process.

There is a limited supply, so they are first come, first serve. They have some masks, gloves, sanitizing wipes and hand sanitizer. Call 610-863-1822 to request supplies and set up an appointment for pick up.

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The Jetsetters- Amanda Eyre Ward

New Large Print

The Fifth Avenue Story Society - Rachel Hauck The Protective One - Shelley Shepard Gray

Smokescreen - Iris Johansen

When You See Me-Lisa Gardner

The Shape of Night-Tess Gerritsen

Fearless- Fern Michaels

One Little Lie-Colleen Coble

After Sundown-Linda Howard

The Operator-Gretchen Berg

A Conspiracy of Bones-Kathy Reichs

Camino Winds-John Grisham

The Trustworthy One- Shelley Shepard Gray

Someone Like You- Karen Kingsbury

Non-Fiction

The Garden State Parkway Murders -Christian Barth Pearls of Wisdom- Barbara Bush

Hill Women- Cassie Chambers

The Splendid and the Vile- Erik Larson

High Achiever- Tiffany Jenkins

The Mamba Mentality- Kobe Bryant

Public Service Announcements

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.

Struggling With Substances?

People struggling with substances can now walk in for drug and alcohol assessments at the Clean Slate Bangor, 100 South First Street St, Bangor 610-452-9348 Mondays from 10am - 12pm Many times this is the first step toward treatment and a new life.

Former COVID 19 Patients Asked to Donate Plasma

Have you or do you know someone that has recovered from COVID 19? If so you can donate your plasma to help others with COVID 19. For more information call me at 570-449-586 or visit www.giveapint.org.

Big Time Information

Columbia Fire Co. decided that they will be open for business starting Wed. July 22nd through Saturday July 25th as well as possibly Sunday the 26th before the crowning of the Queen and the Procession.

They have implemented procedures that will follow the guidelines recommended by the CDC. They encourage everyone to come out and support them.

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Plainfield Reopening

Plainfield Township is participating in the Northampton County COVID-19 Reopening Readiness Program to help small businesses and non-profits reopen. A limited amount of surgical masks, wipes, hand sanitizer, and gloves are available at the Township for small businesses and non-profits located in the Township. Call the 610-759-6944 for more info or to schedule a time to pick up this PPE. All PPE supplies are available on a first-come, first-served basis until supplies run out.

Clothing for Qctoberfest

Since everyone is cleaning out their closets, etc. If you have pants or jeans (any size, even kids) with holes that are not repairable or even long sleeve shirts, please save them for Octoberfest (Bangor Park). They can use them for scarecrow making. (Even if they don't have the event this year, they will save them for next year)

Bangor Park Movie

The Bangor Park Board is hosting a Movie night featuring Trolls World Tour on Friday night, July 17 (rain date is July 18th). The movie starts at dusk, which is around 8:30 pm.

Seating will be on the large grassy area in front of the pool building and all family groups will need to be seated 6-feet apart from other family groups. If you want to attend but don't feel comfortable sitting on the grass, there will be 15 parking spaces available within view of the movie screen. Those spaces are by reservation only and need to be reserved in advance by emailing bangorparkboard@gmail.com

There is no charge for the movie but a suggested donation of \$5 per car is much appreciated. Dinky's Ice Cream Parlor will be on site selling food and refreshments. More info: call or text at 610-751-7692

Slate Belt Area Happenings

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is required in order to maintain small group sizes in accordance with the current health guidance. Register for community programs online <u>Click Here.</u>

August 1

Sportsman Drawing

The Sportsman Drawing and Meat Raffle will be held on August 1, 2020. Purchase tickets through any member of Lookout Fire Co. No. 1. www.lookoutfireco.com or check their Facebook page

Come meet local author Jolynn Angelini from 1:00-3:00pm August 9 at the Bangor Public Library.

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August 11

Bach At Noon

Bach At Noon performances are presented by The Bach Choir of Bethlehem at St. John's Lutheran Church in downtown Allentown. These concerts will be videotaped, featuring smaller ensembles of musicians who incorporate safe social distancing, appearing online on The Bach Choir's You Tube channel. The August Bach at Noon performance has been endowed by Reverend Ronald R. Miller in loving memory of Maestro James A. Simms, and to continue to share the fruits of his life-giving labors in music-making.

August 12

Hike for Health

Wednesday, August 12, September 16, and October 14 at 5:30pm to 7:00pm

Join us after work for a hike with a St. Luke's University health professional! Get some exercise while learning about health and fitness outdoors. Each hike will include a presentation from a guest health professional on topics such as physical fitness, stretching, and nutrition. A different guest will hike with us each month, sharing a topic that they specialize in. We will hike at a brisk pace over uneven terrain for 2 to 2.5 miles guided by a center educator. Our guest will be available during the hike to discuss the topic of the day and answer your questions. This program is being provided in partnership with St. Luke's University Health Network and the Get Your Tail on the Trail initiative. Meet at the Visitor Center at 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth, PA. Participants must be in possession of a face mask and practice proper social distancing while attending the program. Registration is required in order to limit group size in accordance with current health guidelines. Register for community programs online Click Here.

August 15

Strohe Golf Tournament

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September 5-7

Bangor Yard Sales

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September 12

Bangor Car & Bike Show

Rev up your engines for plenty of prizes, trophies and fun for the entire family! The Bangor Car & Bike show and competition is back on Broadway in historic Bangor on Saturday, September 12 from 10am - 3pm (rain-date Sunday, September 13)..

Goody bag & tshirt pre-registration: Sign up your car or bike early and save \$5 on the entry fee PLUS get a really cool goody bag & commemorative tshirt! Pre-registration is \$10 by 6/12 at <a href="https://linear.ncbi.nlm.ncbi.n

tshirts are limited to the first 50 pre-registrations.

Car & bike show competition entry: If you'd like to enter your vehicle in the competition, please arrive on September 12 to Main & Broadway between 8am and 9:45am to enter the competition. Be sure to bring your pre-registration form OR register day-of for \$15.

Car & bike show sponsors: They are presently accepting prize and award sponsorship. Please visit https://www.hbbapa.org/car-show.html to download a form.

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September 26

Neon 5K and Fun Run

The Bangor Elementary PTO is once again hosting its 4th Neon 5K Fun Run/Walk on 8asm September 26, 2020. Participants in the Neon 5K and Fun Run/Walk will go through 5 Splatter Stations where they will get splattered with color dust. All the money raised will benefit students attending DeFranco, Washington and Five Points Elementary Schools

Celtic Youth Fiddle Competition

A Youth Fiddle Competition September 26, will be

Pen Argyl 'Green' Updates

- Weona Park: Will be open and be in a "Use at Your Own Risk" state. This will include basketball, playgrounds and skate park. Bathrooms are closed.
- Pavilions: Will remain closed at this time. Decision to be made July 7, 2020.
- Miniature Golf: Will remain closed at this time. Decision to be made July 7, 2020.
- Carousel: Will remain closed at this time. Decision to be made July 7, 2020.
- Community Center: Will remain closed at this time. Decision to be made July 7, 2020.
- Field Rentals: Will remain closed at this time. Decision to be made July 7, 2020
- Borough Office: Access will still be by appointment only. This will eliminate congestion in the lobby and protect staff and visitors. Masks required.
- Parking Meters: Will begin to be enforced on Monday, June 29, 2020.
- If you have a specific question please email the Borough at manager@penargylborough. com or call Borough Office at 610.863-4119.

Fire, Rescue, & EMS Grant

The registration window for the COVID-19 Fire, Rescue, and EMS Grant is open through August 7, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

The purpose of this grant is to provide some much needed financial assistance to first responders who have found it difficult to keep their operations running due to COVID-19.

As stated in Act 26, the money must be used for operational and equipment expenses.

Grant Registration

To register, carefully review the grant guidance (PDF), then access the grant portal by following these instructions (PDF). Click Here

You will need the following information to complete the registration in order to receive these funds. You may already have these numbers, but if you do not, please see the link above to acquire the necessary numbers in preparation for this registration.

How to clean your phone



First and foremost, you will want to consult the website for the manufacturer of your phone or carrying case for any specific instructions that they might have in order to avoid damaging your device or case.

Many manufacturers, including Apple, have provided recommendations due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

While specific instructions may vary depending on your device, Apple advises the following:

- Use only a soft, lint-free cloth.
- Avoid excessive wiping.
- Unplug all power sources, devices, and cables.
- Keep liquids away from your device.
- Don't allow moisture to get into any openings.
- Avoid aerosol sprays, bleaches, and abrasives.
- Avoid spraying cleaners directly onto your device.
- Apple is recommending the use of 70 percent isopropyl alcohol wipes or Clorox Disinfecting Wipes to wipe down any hard, nonporous surfaces.

However, they say you should avoid using them on leather or fabric to prevent damage. According to Dr. Donald W. Schaffner, extension specialist in food science and distinguished professor at Rutgers University, these are "fairly gentle disinfectants."

However, you should avoid using chlorine bleach, according to Schaffner. This could damage your phone. Westenberg further suggested that keeping your phone in a sealed case will make it easier to wipe it down with disinfectant wipes.

Source: Healthline

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