Slate Belt Town Topics

NEWS TODAY NOT NEXT WEEK

Code Orange Air Quality Alert In Effect Today

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection has issued a code orange air quality alert Thursday for The Lehigh Valley/Berks County area. A code orange air quality alert means that air pollution concentrations within the region may become unhealthy for sensitive groups. Sensitive groups include children...people suffering from asthma... heart disease or other lung diseases...and the elderly. The effects of air pollution can be minimized by avoiding strenuous activity or exercise outdoors. For more information on ground-level ozone and fine particles...visit http://www.depweb.state.pa.us

Summer Fun

Bangor Pool

Hours: 12-7 Monday - Friday 11-7 Saturday and Sunday

Weona Park Carousel and Golf

Fridays 3-9

Saturdays, Sundays & July 4 - 1-9

From 9/9 to 10/1 - Saturdays & Sundays 1-8.

Summer Sounds

Wind Gap 6:00pm July 30

Weona Park 6:00pm July 23

July 18, 2023 <u>INDEX</u>

Weather & You Recent Pics Sports Special Events Church (Click Above)

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel 130th Big Time Celebration OLMC Plaza, 81 Ridge St., Roseto (school grounds) JULY 26 -28 (6:00 -11:00pm) JULY 29 (6 -12 Midnight)



F-I-R-E-W-O-R-K-S



FAMILY NIGHTS | TRADITIONAL FOOD

July 26 & 27 Ride Specials - \$25.00

Pizza Fritta - Sausage & Peppers Pasta, Italian Pastries, Gelato & More

Italian American Band After Cornonation July 29 Religious Procession July 30



FREE ADMISSSION

Free Ice Cream In Pen Argyl



Pen Argyl Borough will be welcoming the Fidelity Bank Sweets & Treats van on Friday, July 21t from 4-7 pm for FREE icecream!! In addition to the delicious ice cream, everyone can enjoy a ride on our historic carousel for \$1, a game of golf will be discounted to \$3 and the Pool Pals will be there with crafts for the kids along with a donation!! It's going to be a Fun Friday night at Weona Park!! We hope to see everyone there!!

Families First 21St Annual 5K Race & 1 Mile Fun Walk

Join Families First as they celebrate their 21st year serving residents in the Pen Argyl Area School District and participate with annual 5K Race & 1 Mile Fun Walk on Saturday, September 9, 2023.

The Race and Walk will start at 9 am in the Wind Gap Borough Park. Registration the day of the Race will begin at 7:30 am.

This event is for the entire family. All proceeds will go to support the Adopt-A-Family Holiday program and activities provided by Families First. "PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE" in the Pen Argyl Area School District!

A copy of our official registration form can be downloaded from the Families First website: www.familiesfirstofpenargyl.org.

Non-Refundable Entry: \$20 per person or \$50 for a family of three or more before September 9th; \$25 per person on Race Day. Family entries must be mailed together. Students - \$15 entry fee.

Checks payable to: Families First and mail to Families First Race Committee 1620 Teels Road, Pen Argyl, PA 18072.

Entry includes a quality T-Shirt and Race Bag guaranteed to the first 100 runners and a great opportunity to support a worthwhile cause.

Raffle: Each race participant will be assigned a raffle number. Randomly selected numbers will receive a prize.

Support: Be creative in showing your support for Families First on Social Media. Submit your entry to our Families First Race Committee and the Board of Directors will award several prizes for creativity and content.

All levels of sponsorship will include: publicity, listing of corporate logo or Name on the event T-Shirts, and the opportunity to place informational material in the Runners Race Bags. For sponsorship information, contact the Families First Director, at 610-863-3688 or via email to jones.frank@penargylsd.org. A copy of the Sponsorship form can also be down loaded from our Families First Website. All sponsorship request forms must be received by August 11, 2023 in order to be listed on the Race T-Shirts.

Your organization or business may prefer to donate items, such as gift certificates or gift cards for our raffle at the event.

For more information about Families First, check out our website www. familiesfirstofpenargyl.org and Like us on Facebook.

Historical Maps Program Planned Heritage Center

The Slate Belt Heritage Center will hold their monthly historic program on Thursday, August 10th @ 7:00 PM. Speaker for the evening will be Mr. Joel Hoffner. Join Mr. Hoffner as he introduces the new Lehigh Valley Historical Maps Consortium (LVHNC) website that accesses the map inventory, discusses a selection of maps that are particularly fascinating and reviews the progress of an early schoolhouse mapping project here in the Slate Belt and entire Northampton County.

Genealogy and local history researchers sometimes overlook the treasure trove of information contained on maps and other geographical and visual image documents. The (LVHNC) was founded to create an inventory of these types of documents available to the public at twenty-two regional institutions. Mr. Hoffner is a Lehigh Valley native who has cataloged collections at the Northampton County Historical and Genealogical Society, National Museum of Industrial History, Moravian Archives, Moravian Historical Society and Hunter Martin Museum in Lower Mt. Bethel Twsp.

He has published four books mapping the tracts of land occupied by the early Warrantees and Patentees of ten of the townships of Northampton County. The event is free and open to the public. The Heritage Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, Pa. Contact Karen Brewer @ 484-894-5661 for additional information.



A bus will be located in the parking lot of our pharmacy for the community to bring donations to "stuff the bus". The donations will then be distributed throughout the local school districts to help out multiple families with school supplies. Teachers all over the country spend their own money on supplies to help the kids whose family can't afford it.

Therefore, we would like to give back to the teachers who give their all to their kids as they deserve some recognition for doing so.

List of supplies needed (but not limited to):

Backpacks
#2 pencils
Pens (black or blue)
Loose leaf paper
3 ring binders (lin)
Subject dividers
Pocket folders
Erasers
Crayons

Pocket folder Erasers Crayons Highlighters Sharpies Paper clips Staples Glue sticks
Bottle of white glue
Calculator
Agenda
Scissors
Pencil case
Tissues
I subject notebooks
Disinfectant wipes
Rulers

Book covers Expo dry erase markers Lamination pouches Post-it notes If any businesses are interested in donating towards our "Stuff the Bus" event please contact us at the number or email below.

The bus will be here for a few days to make it easier for everyone to attend. We are able to accept donations before the 5th of August should you not be able to attend our event.



Wind Gap Community Pharmacy is accepting donations of school supplies (or you can drop off a check with the memo "school supply donation" made out to Wind Gap Community Pharmacy. We are looking to accept donations of the following school supplies on the list below. If you are a business and looking to donate please feel free to contact me or contact the information on the flyer

Historic Poster On Car Window Tells Important Story About World War II

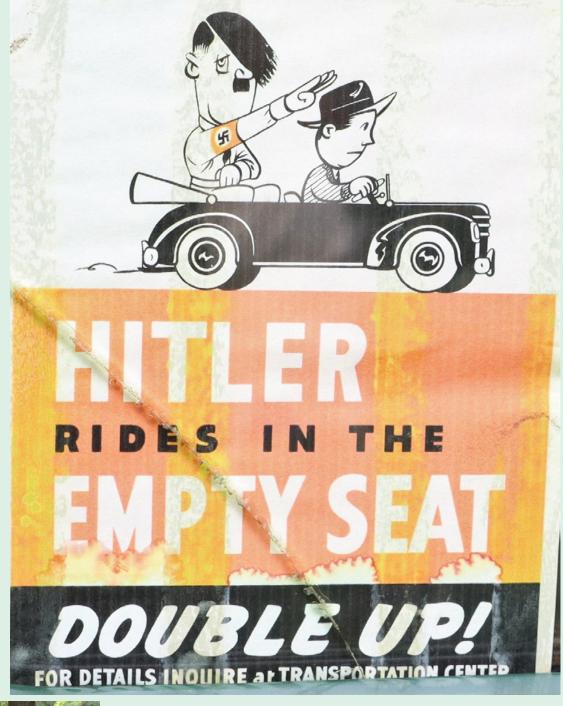
An 80-year-old poster on the window of a Dodge Car, circa 1942, on display at the Jacktown Summer Show held this past weekend tells a story about gasoline conservation during World War II.

This poster was designed by the American government for their World War II campaigns. The poster encourages people to use car share and encourages them to make direct inquires at the 'Transportation Center." The design depicts Hitler "taking a back seat" riding in a car while saluting.

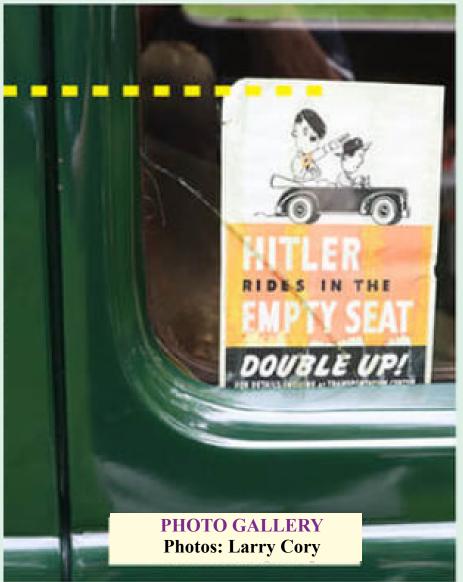
During World War II, anti-Nazi propaganda was used to help the United States during the war. Some specifically, to persuade Americans to conserve resources so they could be utilized in war. One propaganda poster states, "When you ride ALONE you ride with Hitler! Join a Car-Sharing Club TODAY!" It shows a picture of a man driving a car, and an outline of Hitler in the passenger seat. Weimer Pursell created it in 1943 to help conserve oil.

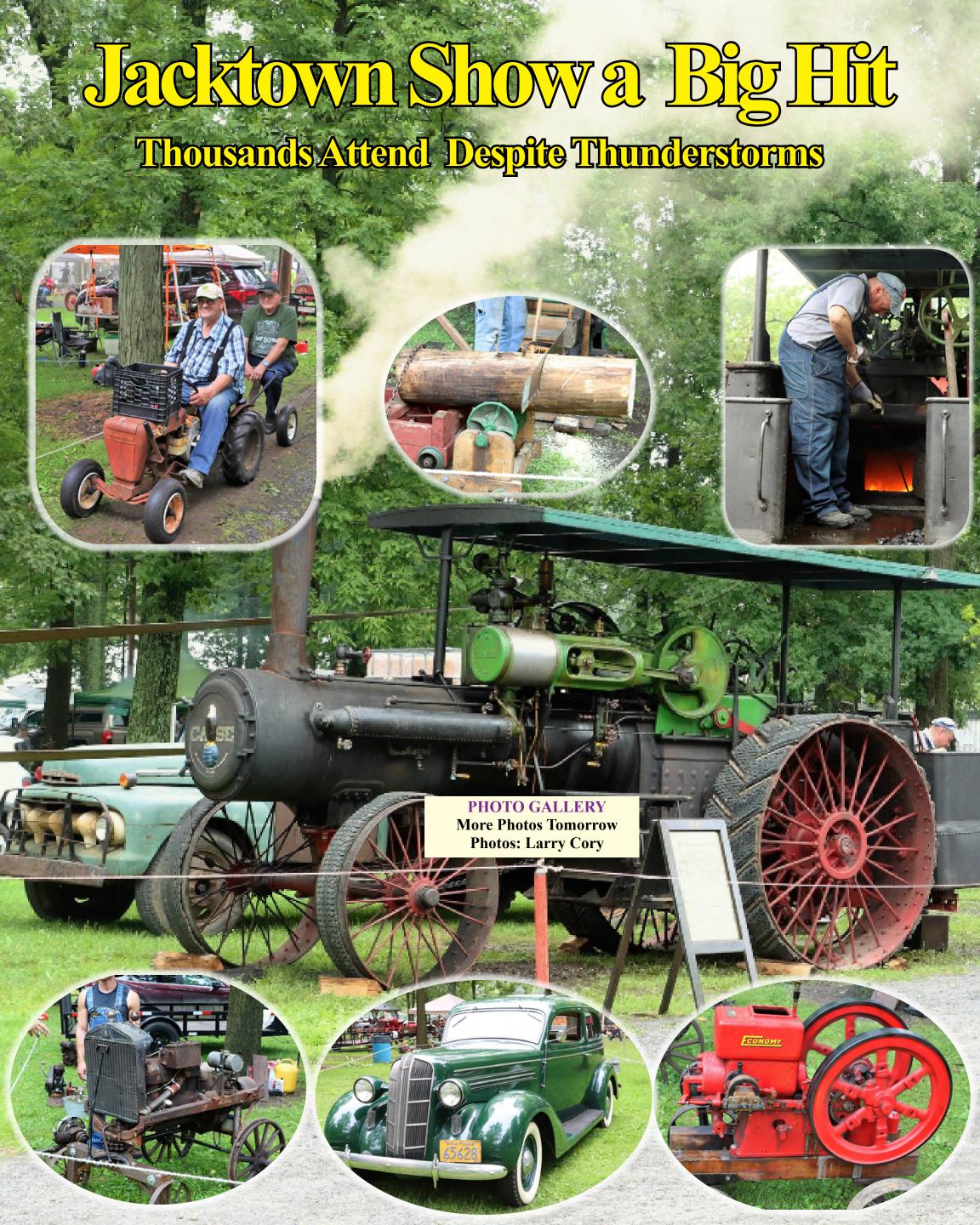
During this time, many people found the ability to drive to be free and independent, so having this freedom taken away most likely angered many Americans. The reality of it was, the government just wanted people to change the way they drive in order to help the war effort, by rationing gasoline. This included a speed limit and car sharing. It did influence the driving culture at the time as it put a halt to the popularity of cars. Propaganda convinced Americans that if they did not ration gasoline, they were siding with Hitler.

The "Ride with Hitler" propaganda poster shows that during this period it was important for American citizens to work together to support the US military because otherwise they would be supporting Hitler.











Controlling Asthma When Air Quality is Bad

The American Lung Association Offers Important Insights



1. Outdoor Air Pollution

While outdoor air pollution can make breathing more difficult for everyone, it's particularly harmful to those with asthma, causing symptoms and increased need for medical attention, and to children, whose lungs are still growing and who breathe in more air per pound than adults. Children with asthma can be especially vulnerable to experiencing negative health effects caused by air pollution.



2.. Outdoor Air Pollution

The effects of climate change increase air pollutants like ozone, particle pollution pollens, molds from increased rainfall and floods and smoke from wild-fires. As temperatures increase, warmer air helps to form ground-level ozone pollution, also known as smog, a powerful air pollutant. Smog acts like a sunburn on your lungs and may trigger an asthma attack.

Before doing any activities outside, check the pollution level in your area by visiting Airnow.gov. When the air is bad, limit the time you and family members spend outdoors and try to move outdoor activities inside.



3. Climate Change

In some areas of the country, climate change is increasing the frequency and intensity of wildfires, and extending wildfire season. Wildfires produce smoke that contains particle pollution, consisting of dangerous particles tiny enough to travel deep into the lungs and sometimes even into the bloodstream. Particle pollution can cause asthma attacks, heart attacks, lung cancer and early death. But you don't need to live in an area prone to wildfire to be impacted. Winds can carry these particles for thousands of miles, meaning many people may have an unknown exposure. Preparation is key to protecting yourself and family. Check out American Lung Association's resources, which includes information about using N-95 masks for protection and creating a clean room inside your home. Visit lung.org/clean-air/emergencies-and-natural-disasters/wildfires to learn more.



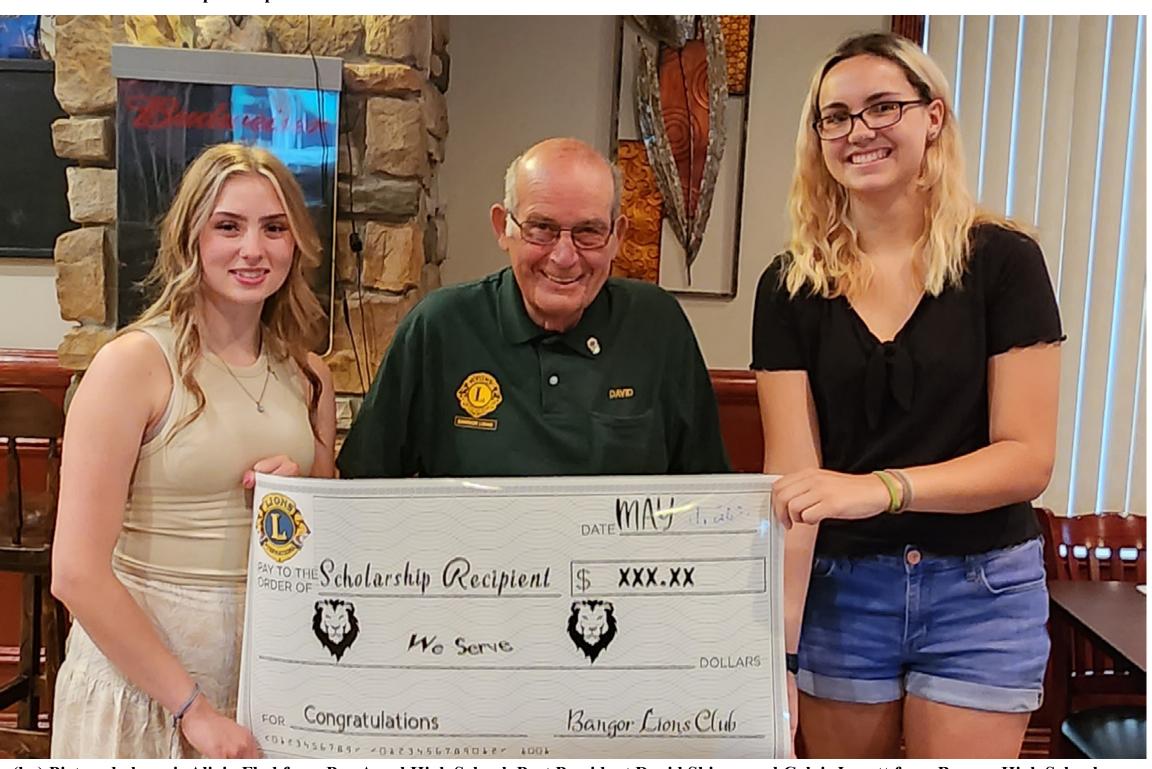
4. Taking Action

Did you know you can reduce your own contribution to air pollution and climate change? Prioritize walking, biking and public transit over diesel or gasoline-powered vehicles. Conserve electricity and purchase your power from clean, non-combustion sources if you can. Don't burn leaves or trash and avoid burning wood whenever possible. Additionally, when looking for a place to live or upgrading your home, look for efficient, zero-emission appliances like induction stoves or heat pumps. You may even be able to take advantage of tax incentives for making these upgrades. (State Point)

Bangor Lions Club Awards Scholarships



Pictured above from left to right are Lion President Zachary Miller, Holly Larsen, Emma Schwartz both from Bangor HighSchool, and Past President and Scholarship Chairperson David Shiner.



(l-r) Pictured above is Alivia Flad from Pen Argyl High School, Past President David Shiner, and Calais Lovett from Bangor High School.

Sixth Annual Slate Belt Sprint 5k

The Slate Belt Y 6th Annual Sprint 5K will be held Saturday August 19 starting 8:15 am at 315 W Pennsylvania Ave, Pen Argyl, PA This is a family event, as well as an event for competitive runners. The challenging, but achievable, course is great for beginners or experienced runners alike.

Register by July 23, 2023 to save! Registration is only \$25 and includes a race t-shirt. Children ages 8-11 can register for the 5k for only \$15 with a participating adult and will receive the same awesome t-shirt. Prices increase on 7/24 and 8/14, sign up early to save!

Children ages 7 and under can participate in the short Kids Fun Run for free. Start times: 7:00 a.m. Day of Registration Opens 8:15 a.m. 5k Run/ Walk begins 9:15 a.m. Kids Fun Run begins

AWARDS: First Place Overall Male & Female, Top 3 Male & Female by Age Group: 11 & under, 12-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60 & up









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Shawnee Baking Co.

Dinky's Ice Cream

Miss Julie's Dance Studio

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Elks' Drug Awareness

and much more.

Roseto Community Events

Summer Reading at the Park

June 21, 26 July 5, 12, 26 August 2, 9

10:00-11:30 Roseto Ballpark

Big Time Celebration

July 25-30

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 1 5:00-8:00 Roseto Ballpark

Roseto Community Yard Sale August 4, 5,6

Roseto Helping Hands Bake Sale

Saturday, September 10 ACE Hardware Capital Plaza

No Pumpkin Way! It's a Fall Festival! & Tricky Tray

Saturday, September 30 10:00-3:00 Roseto Ballpark

Roseto Fall Festival

Saturday, October 14 6:00-8:00 Roseto Ballpark

Veterans Day Service

Saturday, November 11

Mount Carmel Cemetry 711 Liberty Ave. Roseto

Roseto Helping Hands Bingo

Sunday, November 12 Doors open at 12 and Games begin at 1:00 American Legion 143 Garibaldi Ave. Roseto

Christmas Tree Lighting

Sunday, November 26 6:00

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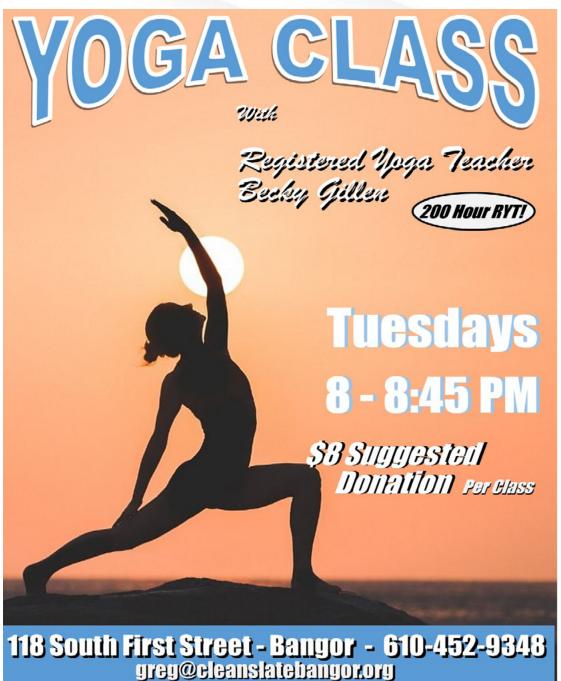


EYE EXAMS & GLASSES

Your child might need glasses! On Thursday July, 13th the Vision To Learn mobile clinic will be here to provide vision screenings and NO COST eye exams to kids who require them. If your child is prescribed glasses, they will receive one NO COST pair.



To learn more visit www.VisionToLearn.org



Summer Sounds 2023 Concerts

Weona Park

July 23

Lost Ramblers .. String Band playing Bluegrass, old time music & more.

August 6

Large Flowerheads ...Musical sights and sounds of the groovy 60s

August 20

Philadelphia Funk Authority ... More than funk . Party music from the past five decades

Wind Gap

July 30

Joey and the T-Birds ... 50s, 60s Doo Wop

August 13

New Individuals ..Oldies 60s and 70s

August 27

Last One Standing ... County, Classic Rock and oldies mix.

All concerts are free, begin at 6 P.M at Wind Gap or Weona Park Band shells, as noted. For Pen Argyl, please watch for notifications (Pen Argyl Borough WEB, Facebook, Nixel, etc.) on any weather-related change of venue or rescheduling of the event.

Blue Flame Holistic Fair

Blue Flame Events is hosting our first annual Holistic Fair inside the Palmer Park Mall on August 5th from 11AM to 4PM!

We're looking for vendors (holistic & non-holistic) to join us for this unique event. We're also looking for event contributors to participate in mini lectures and demonstrations. They're also looking for sponsors Vendor Cost = \$40 per space.

To request a registration link or sponsorship packages for text Blue Flame Events at (272)-200-8163 or email **blueflameevents@yahoo.com**.

https://facebook.com/events/s/holistic-fair-explore-the-alte/1405325460242023/

For more unique opportunities by Blue Flame Events check out our website at www.blueflameevents@yahoo.com

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Slate Belt Town Topics

sbtopics@rcn.com www.sbtopics.com **July 18 2023**

Slate Belt 7-Day Weather Forecast

PM Showers Partly Sunny 86 Today **Showers Partly Sunny 86 Tuesday**

National Weather Service Forecast - 6am Today

Today, A chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly after 5pm. Patchy fog between 7am and 9am. Otherwise, partly sunny, with a high near 86. Light and variable wind becoming southwest 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation is 30%. New rainfall amounts of less than a tenth of an inch, except higher amounts possible in thunderstorms.

Tonight, A chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly before 9pm. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 65. Southwest wind around 5 mph becoming northwest after midnight. Chance of precipitation is 30%. New rainfall amounts of less than a tenth of an inch, except higher amounts possible in thunderstorms.

Wednesday, A slight chance of showers between 9am and 3pm, then a chance of showers and thunderstorms after 3pm. Mostly sunny, with a high near 84. North wind around 5 mph becoming west in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

Wednesday Night, A chance of showers and thunderstorms before midnight, then a slight chance of showers between midnight and 3am. Partly cloudy, with a low around 65. North wind around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

Thursday, A slight chance of showers between 9am and 3pm, then a chance of showers and thunderstorms after 3pm. Mostly sunny, with a high near 85. Northeast wind around 5 mph becoming south in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation is 40%. New rainfall amounts of less than a tenth of an inch, except higher amounts possible in thunderstorms. Thursday Night, A chance of showers and thunderstorms, then showers likely and possibly a thunderstorm after 3am. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 66. Chance of precipitation is 60%. New rainfall amounts between a tenth and quarter of an inch, except higher amounts possible in thunderstorms.

Friday, Showers likely and possibly a thunderstorm before 9am, then a chance of showers between 9am and 3pm, then a chance of showers and thunderstorms after 3pm. Partly sunny, with a high near 83. Chance of precipitation is 60%.

Friday Night, A chance of showers and thunderstorms before 9pm. Partly cloudy, with a low around 63. Chance of precipitation is 50%.



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.

July 19

Butterfly Walk for Seniors

Wednesday, July 5 at 10:00am to 12:00pm

Wednesday, July 19 at 10:00am to 12:00pm Join butterfly enthusiast and conservation volunteer, Doug Burton, for a leisurely walk through the park to find different types of butterflies, learn about their host plants, and discuss conservation issues that may threaten populations. This program is for adults only. Registration is required.https:// events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order= date&search=jacobsburg

July 20 Weekly Weeders

Thursday, July 20, 27 at 8:30am to 10:30am Interested in learning more about gardening with native plants? Volunteer to work alongside our education staff as they mulch, pull weeds, divide plants, and amend soil in the center's native plant garden. We provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Registration is required.https://events.dcnr. pa.gov/search/events?order=date&searc h=jacobsburg

July 22 **Summer of Pride**

Please join us on July 22, 20 from 12-6pm to celebrate "Summer of Pride" we are joining in with Pocono Pride and Lehigh Valley Pride

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State Farm

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SLATE BELT WEATHER AND YOU

Temperature

(Today's Forecast

High

Low

86

65

Daily Average Temps

85

63

COPD

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Combination of weather factors that can make one less or more likely to develop a pulmonary attack. Lower numbers are less while higher numbers increase the chance.

Asthma Index

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Combination of weather factors that can trigger asthma. A higher index mean more people w/asthma could be affected by temperature and allergens.

Sinus Headache

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



Combination of weather factors that can make one less or more likely to develop a migraine. Lower numbers are less while higher numbers increase the chance.

Migraine Headache

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



Combination of weather factors that can make one less or more likely to develop a migraine. Lower numbers are less while higher numbers increase the chance.

Common Cold

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



Combination of weather factors that can make one less or more likely to catch a cold.. Lower numbers are less while higher numbers increase the chance.

Air Quality

AM Reading

Pen Argyl- 73

Bethlehem - 71

Allentown - 65

Portland- 76

Good 0-50

Moderate (51-100)



Bad for Some (101-150)

Very Bad 150+

Arthritis Index

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



Scale of 0-10 with 0 indicating a very low risk of weather-related arthritis pain, and 10 indicating the highest chance of pain.

Cooling Degree Days

Yesterday

Season

390

Used to track energy use. Add the daily high and low temperatures, divide by 2 and add 65 to calculate heating degree days.

Rainfall/Snowfall

Rain

Snow

Recent - .00

Recent - 0.0

Month - 7.95

Month - 0.0

Year - 32.13

Season - 10.50

UV Index

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12



Very High Risk -10:00am - 5:00pm

(Ultra Violet Rays) Lower number indicates low risk of harm from unprotected sun exposure, higher numbers indicate greater risk

Heating Degree Days

Yesterday

Season

Used to track energy use. Add the daily high and low temperatures, divide by 2 and subtract 65 to calculate heating degree days.

Sun

Sunrise 5:44AM

Sunset 8:30 PM

Pollen-Allergy Forecast

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12



Top Allergens - Grasses, Dock, Plantain

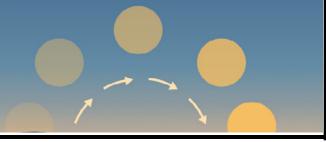
Scale of 0-12 with zero indicating the least potential allergy and 12 the most. Most prevalent allergen is Ragweed

Flu Index

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



Flu index: (0-10) Combo of historical data and temperature. A high flu index means the spread of a flu is very favorable, assuming the disease is present



Bangor Library - New Books

New in the Bangor Public Library July 7th, 2023 to July 13th, 2023

Adult Fiction

The First Ladies by Marie Benedict
The 9th Man by Steve Berry
Save what's Left by Elizabeth Castellano
Cold Earth by Ann Cleeves

Dead Water by Ann Cleeves

Thin Air by Ann Cleeves

Break of Day by Colleen Coble

Whispers at Dusk by Heather Graham

The Best Summer of Our Lives by Rachel Hauck

The Housekeepers by Alex Hay

Too Late by Colleen Hoover

The Last Sinner by Lisa Jackson

The Missus by E.L. James

Yours Truly by Abby Jimenez

Code Blue with Intent by Marilyn Esper Kelsey

Wolfsong by TJ Klune

The Rachel Incident by Caroline O'Donoghue

Circle of Death by James Patterson

Flop Dead Gorgeous by David Rosenfelt

The Frugal Wizards Handbook for Surviving Medieval England by

Brandon Sanderson

Palazzo by Danielle Steel

Banyan Moon by Thao Thai

The Beach at Summerly by Beatriz Williams

Adult Non Fiction

What an Owl Knows by Jennifer Ackerman The Art Thief: a True Story of Love, Crime, and a Dangerous

Obsession by Michael Finkel

Unbroken Bonds of Battle by Johnny Jones

Simple French Baking by Manon Lagreve

Walt Disney: an American Original by Bob Thomas

Young Adult Fiction

Those We Drown by Amy Goldsmith

Junior Fiction

Karen's Haircut by Katy Farina

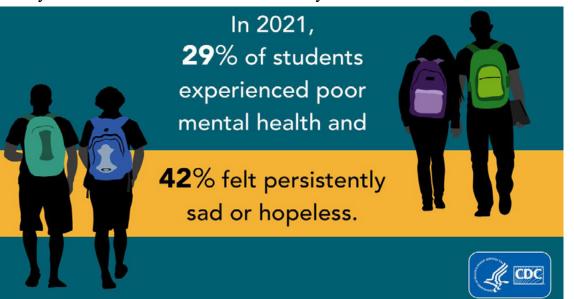
The Extraordinary Education of Nicholas Benedict by Trenton Lee Stewart

Easy Reader Fiction

Pinkalicious and the Pinkamazing Little Library by Victoria Kane

Easy Fiction

Why Did the Monster Cross the Road? by R.L. Stine



Blue Mountain Library - New Books

Adult Fiction:

The Echo of Old Books, Barbara Davis
The Surgeon, Leslie Wolfe
Fifth Avenue Glamour Girl, Renee' Rosen
The Lonely Hearts Book Club, Lucy Gilmore
The Audrey Hepburn Estate, Brenda Janowitz
Seabreeze Wedding, Jan Moran
Simply Lies, David Baldacci
The Plot, Jean Korelitz
Letters of Trust, Wanda Brunstetter
The Half Moon, MaryBeth Keane

Adult Large Print:

All the Days of Summer, Nancy Thayer Strawberry Lane, Jodi Thomas Identity, Nora Roberts The House on Prytania, Karen White The Loner, Diana Palmer

Fundraiser

The Blue Mountain Community Library will hold a Fundraiser at The Scorecard, 130 N. Broadway, Wind Gap, PA on Tuesday, July 27 from 11:30 am to closing. The Scorecard will generously donate a portion of all food sales that day to the Library in Pen Argyl. The Fundraiser will include Dine-In or Take-Out orders. Please consider supporting YOUR library by enjoying good food from The Scorecard that day. The money will be used to purchase new books, meet the many expenses associated with maintaining the library and for programs offered to the public. Membership is free to all residents in the Pen Argyl School District and non-residents may join for a small yearly fee. For information, call 610-863-3029 or visit www.bmcl.org. Find us on Facebook and Instagram.

Summer Program

The Blue Mountain Community Library Summer Program will be held at the Plainfield Municipal Building on Wednesday, June 14 and Wednesday, June 28. On June 14, the children will tour the headquarters of the Slate Belt Regional Police and meet their new police dog. On June 28, the children will participate in a rock painting activity. Children will also listen to stories along with the activity. The programs are free and designed for children ages 4 through 9. They will begin at 10:30 am. Membership in the BMCL is not needed to participate, however, registration is required for all. Please call the library at 610-863-3029 during operating hours

Cookbooks in the Book Nook

Do you like to cook or collect cookbooks? If so, stop into the Blue Mt. Community Library, located at 216 S. Robinson Ave. Pen Argyl and browse through the Book Nook.

Along with many adult and children's gently used books and puzzles, there is a large collection of cookbooks available to purchase. The library is open M-Sa, 10:00 am to Noon, and M & Th 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

Membership is not needed to purchase items in the Book Nook, but is free to all residents of the Pen Argyl Area School District. Nonresidents may join for a small yearly fee.

The library also has Pen Argyl yearbooks available to buy. Call 610-863-3029 or visit our Facebook page or website at **www.bmcl.org**. for information about the library

PUBLISH YOUR EVENT

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Daily Schedule

Tuesday July 18

Bingo - Portland Fire Co., 7pm.

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 July 19

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 July 20

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

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12 & 5-8pm

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 July 21

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

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12 & 5-8pm

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 July 22

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 July 23

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 July 24

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

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 July 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

Washington Twp. Recreation - 7pm Roseto Zoning - 7pm Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm

UMBT Zoning - 7pm Room, 7pm

Wednesday July 26

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



Daily Schedule

Thursday July 27

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm

Bangor Public Library - Open 10-8

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

Pen Argyl Council Workshop - 7pm

Plainfield Supervisors - 7pm Plainfield Twp Fire Co. Bingo -6:30pm

UMBT Development - 7pm

Friday July 28

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 July 29

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 July 30

Slate Belt Heritage Center - Open 12-3.

Slate Belt YMCA - 10-2

Monday July 31

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm

Bangor Public Library - Open 1-8
Tuesday August 1

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

Wednesday August 2

Bingo - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm. Bingo 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 August 3

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm

Bangor Public Library - Open 10-8

Slate Belt Senior Center - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show Bingo - Plainfield Fire Co., 6:30pm Plainfield Environmental Advisory

Board - Municipal Building, 7:00pm

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

Wind Gap Planning - 7pm

Friday August 4

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 August 5

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

Sunday August 6

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 August 7

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 Committee - 4:30 P.M. Council Chambers

Pen Argyl Municipal Authority - 5:00 P.M. Council Chambers

Washington Township Zoning Board - Municipal Building, 6:30 pm.

Roseto Borough Council -Municipal Building, 7:30pm Lower Mount Bethel Supervisors - Meets Centerfield Building, 7pm

Portland Borough Council - Borough Hall, 7:00pm

Pen Argyl Council - 7pm Pen Argyl GFWC - St. John, Pen Argyl, 7pm

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

Pump - 8:30-11:30

Weona Park Pals - 7pm Wind Gap Boro Council - 7pm

Tuesday August 8

Bingo - Portland Fire Co., 7pm. **Blue Mountain Library** - Open 10-12.

Bangor Public Library - Open 10-8

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

Mission of Love Food Pantry & Clothes Closet - N. Main St., Bangor, 10-12

Pen Argyl Woman's Club Meets 1:30 pm St. John's Lutheran.

Plainfield Parks & Rec - 7pm Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am -8:00pm

Wind Gap Boro Council - 7pm (Monday Holiday meet Tuesday

Wednesday August 9

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 August 10

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm

Bangor Public Library - Open







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this year for the first annual Slate Belt Pride Fest. They are doing this to bring awareness, to educate and to build a better and stronger community. Please see our flyer below.

They are also looking for sponsorships, vendors and entertainment. So if you would like to join in all the fun that we are bringing please reach out to Marc Royal personally.

July 27 Weekly Weeders

Thursday, July 27 at 8:30am to 10:30am
Interested in learning more about gardening with native plants? Volunteer to work alongside our education staff as they mulch, pull weeds, divide plants, and amend soil in the center's native plant garden. We provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Registration is required.https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date &search=jacobsburg

July 29

Beginner Archery

Saturday, July 29 at 9:00am to 11:00am or 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Can you hit the target? Learn the basics of archery at Jacobsburg! Join a park educator for two hours of learning and practicing field archery! Attendees must be at least 12 years old. No experience is required, and archery supplies will be provided. Registration is required. https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date &search=jacobsburg.

August 1

Roseto National Night Out

National night out in Roseto will be held from 5-8pm August 1 at Roseto Ball Park.

Washington Twsp. National Night Out

National night out in Washington Twps will be held from 5-8pm August at the Municipal building for a community celebration of their police officers at the fire compnay headquarters..

August 3

Weekly Weeders

Thursday, Aug 3,10,17,24,31at 8:30am to 10:30am

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August 5

Holistic Fair

Blue Flame Events is hosting our first annual Holistic Fair inside the Palmer Park Mall on August 5th from 11AM to 4PM!

We're looking for vendors (holistic & non-holistic) to join us for this unique event. We're also looking for event contributors to participate in mini lectures and demonstrations. We're also looking for sponsors for this fantastic event!

Vendor Cost = \$40 per space.

To request a registration link or sponsorship packages for this event text Blue Flame Events at (272)-200-8163 or email **blueflameevents@yahoo.com**.

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August 9

Hike for Health

Wednesday, August 9 at 5:30pm to 7:00pm Get moving after work with a brisk hike at Jacobsburg! These guided monthly hikes are 2 to 2.5 miles over uneven terrain. Dogs are welcome to hike on a leash. Meet at the Visitor Center flagpole at 400 Belfast Road. Registration is not required. Join the email reminder list by contacting us at 610-746-2801 or jacobsburgsp@pa.gov. Registration is not required.

August 10

Weekly Weeders

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August 12

Botanical Treasures of Jacobsburg

Saturday, August 12 at 4:00pm to 6:00pm Explore the park and search for mid-summer blooms. We'll discuss the ecology of various flowers as well as any legends, myths and stories that might surround them. Be prepared for a moderate hike that may involve muddy slopes and uphill climbs. Please bring water, a snack, and wear sturdy shoes. Registration required.

Magnificent Moths

Saturday, August 12 at 8:30pm to 10:00pm Moths are everywhere and come in a variety of colors, shapes, and sizes. Join local moth enthusiast Steve Kloiber as we search for moths and other insects of the night. This program is best for families with children ages 5 and up. Please

bring a flashlight. Registration required. https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date &search=jacobsburg

August 13

Truck, Bike Show

A truck and bike show will be in downtown Bangor from 12-4 August 13.

August 17

Weekly Weeders

Thursday, Aug 17,24,31at 8:30am to 10:30am Interested in learning more about gardening with native plants? Volunteer to work alongside our education staff as they mulch, pull weeds, divide plants, and amend soil in the center's native plant garden. We provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Registration is required.https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date &search=jacobsburg

August 19

Sixth Annual Slate Belt Sprint 5k

The Slate Belt Y 6th Annual Sprint 5K will be held Saturday August 19 starting 8:15 am at 315 W Pennsylvania Ave, Pen Argyl, PA This is a family event, as well as an event for competitive runners. The challenging, but achievable, course is great for beginners or experienced runners alike.

Register by July 23, 2023 to save! Registration is only \$25 and includes a race t-shirt. Children ages 8-11 can register for the 5k for only \$15 with a participating adult and will receive the same awesome t-shirt. Prices increase on 7/24 and 8/14, sign up early to save!

Children ages 7 and under can participate in the short Kids Fun Run for free. Start times: 7:00 a.m. Day of Registration Opens 8:15 a.m. 5k Run/Walk begins 9:15 a.m. Kids Fun Run begins

AWARDS: First Place Overall Male & Female, Top 3 Male & Female by Age Group: 11 & under, 12-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60 & up

August 24

Weekly Weeders

Thursday, Aug 3, 24,31at 8:30am to 10:30am Interested in learning more about gardening with native plants? Volunteer to work alongside our education staff as they mulch, pull weeds, divide plants, and amend soil in the center's native plant garden. We provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Registration is required.https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search=jacobsburg

August 26

Delaware Riverfest

Delaware Riverfest 422 Delaware Avenue, Portland, Saturday, August 26, 20 at 10 am by Blue Flame Events

Enjoy the day along the Delaware River shopping w/ vendors, food trucks, drinks, music, and more!

Delaware Riverfest

Enjoy a day along the Delaware River August 26 starting at 10am shopping w/ vendors, food trucks, drinks, music, and more!

Walking in Historical Waters

Saturday, August 26 at 2:00pm to 3:30pm Walk IN the Bushkill Creek. Discover how early settlers manipulated the land and water to harness the flow of the creek to power different mechanisms. Gain a different perspective as you discover remnant land use clues from the past. Late-August is a great time to walk creeks because the water is not as high as is during other months, and it is still warm enough to feel refreshed as the rippling water grazes your ankles. This program is not appropriate for children under 8 years old or for those who find it difficult to maneuver through uneven, slippery terrain. Hiking poles will be provided along with boots, waders, and sneakers of a limited size assortment. We recommend wearing water shoes, wading boots, or old sneakers. Open toed shoes, sandals, or crocs are not appropriate for this activity. Registration is required.https:// events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date &search=jacobsburg

Volunteer Event: Lose the Loosestrife

Saturday, August 26 at 6:00pm to 8:00pm Although beautiful, Purple Loosestrife is an aquatic invasive plant which threatens species diversity. We will be removing this unwanted plant from our planted wetland area. Registration is Required.ttps://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search=jacobsburg

August 31

Weekly Weeders

Thursday, Aug 31at 8:30am to 10:30am

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September 15-17

Pen Argyl Yard Sales

Pen Argyl Community Yard Sales - No permit needed. September 15th – 17th.

September 30

No Pumpkin Way

Enjoy a family fun filled day September 30 in the Roseto Ball Park from 10-3.! Shop with unique vendors & crafters, purchase some Tricky Tray tickets for a chance to win some amazing baskets filled with goodies! While you're there, grab some delicious food! If you're feeling ambitious you can participate in the pumpkin throwing contest. Before you leave, be sure to get your FREE Fall digital photo! This event is FREE to attend and open to the public.

We're looking for vendors and crafters to participate in this event. To request a registration please text (272)-200-8163.

Sponsorship and advertising packages are also available for this event! For more information call (272)-200-8163 or email blueflameevents@yahoo.com.

Sept 30 - Oct 1

Revolutionary War Weekend

Saturday & Sunday September 30, 2023 October 1, 2023 Revolutionary War Encampment, Marching Drills, Life, Makers, Merchants. Blltish Encampment, Skirmishes. Food Truck, Historic Buildings and Museums open for tours Saturday 10-am 4pm and Sunday 12pm - 4pm

October 14

Designer Purse Bingo

It's time for the second annual Designer Purse Bingo Wind Gap Fire Social Hall Octobre 14 at 5pm .Tickets are \$35 in advance and \$45 at the door. Beer and Wine Slushes will be included with your ticket. Tables are available to reserve on a first come first serve basis. We will have a tricky-tray and door prize! Doors will open at 4:00 and bingo will start at 5:00. We had so much fun last year and are looking forward to another fun night.

For further questions contact Kailey at (484) 626-3132

October 15 Craft Fair

The Washington Twp. Fire Co. Fall Craft Fair is on October 15th, 2023 from 10am to 4pm.

Spaces are \$30 for (1) 10ft x 10ft space or \$50 for (2) 10ft x 10ft spaces. Please note that all spaces are outdoors and that this is a rain or shine event. Vendors are also required to bring their own tables, chairs, and coverings. All of this plus other information is listed on the application. Also, previous Vendors/Crafters will not be able to request their spot locations from last year's events.

Please email us at craft.wtvfc@gmail.com or call Aundrea at 610-984-7101 to request an application.

Please also remember that we only accept paper applications with cash or check. No one should be asking you to pay online with a credit card.

October 19-21

Trinity Rummage Sale

A rummage sale will be held at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church at 404 Broadway, Bangor, October 19-21 from 8am to 2pm.

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136 W. Central Ave. (Rt.512) East Bangor
July 8- A.A Meeting 8pm
July 9- 9:30 a.m. Worship Service
July 9 Adult Sunday School
(Live & on Zoom) 10:45 Fellowship Hour
(For Zoom, go to ebumc.org to sign in)

Grace Lutheran Church

5907 Sullivan Trail, Nazareth Pa 18064 www.gracebelfastpa.org 610-759-9080 Email:gracebelfast@rcn.com

July 9, 9:00am

6Th Sunday After Pentecost, Service Of The Word; Sermon Theme Christian Practice Of Forgiveness/Repentance

Flicksville UCC

1337 Lower South Main St., Bangor Pastor Ken Hess 610-588-4648 www.flicksvilleucc.com Worship at 10:00am

Christ Presbyterian Church of The Slate Belt

332 Kennedy Drive, Bangor www.christpcsb.org
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E-mail: info@christpcsb.org.
Sunday Worship, 10:00 a.m.
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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 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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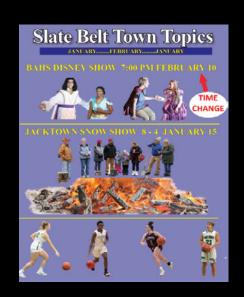


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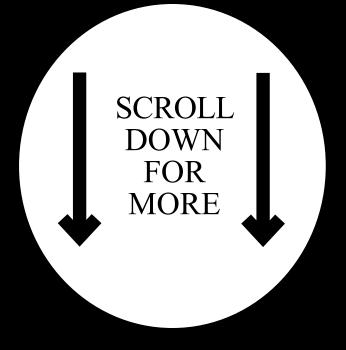
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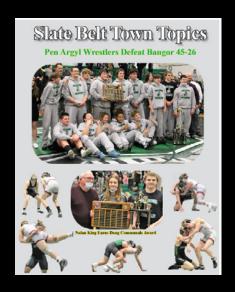












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BAHS Grad Angel Ackerman Writer and Publisher Author Became Co-Founder of Parisian Phoenix Publishing in 2021

by Larry Cory

Bangor High School grad Angel Ackerman entered the publishing field in 2021 founding Parisian Phoenix Publishing. The firm was co-founded with graphic designer Gayle Hendricks and "aims to promote well-crafted writing that highlights themes and voices often overlooked in mainstream literature."

They have an affiliate shop on **Bookshop.org**, where readers can find their current books. They also offer special offers and free signed books to their patrons on Patreon.

Parisian Phoenix Publishing provides services such as editing and design, allowing aspiring authors to work with their staff members to achieve their creative dreams. For more information or to order signed copies of their books directly, one can contact them at angel@parisianphoenix.com.

The name "Parisian Phoenix" reflects Angel's passion for the French language, literature, and history, as well as the belief that it is never too late to rebuild oneself. She has a background in print journalism and has pursued creative and travel writing throughout her life. She holds a BA in English Language and Literature (with a focus on French) from Moravian College, a BA in International Affairs from Lafayette College, and has taken graduate level classes in World History at West Chester University, specializing in post-colonial Francophone Africa and Muslim relations.

She is also known for her "Fashion and Fiends" series, which combines elements of contemporary horror fiction with the humor and lightheartedness of late twentieth-century "chick lit." Her books delve into weighted topics such as domestic violence, body image and self-esteem, depression and grief, colonialism, women's rights, coming-of-age, religion, infibulation, infertility, and blended families. Ackerman's characters face these challenges in their world, offering readers relatable experiences.

In addition to her writing career, Ackerman is actively involved in various nonprofit organizations. She fosters cats with Feline Urban Rescue and Rehab and provides communications oversight at ASPIRE to Autonomy, an Anti-Trafficking group.

She has also volunteered on the board of the Mary Meuser Memorial Library and the Greater Lehigh Valley Writers' Group. In her professional nonprofit career, Ackerman has worked in public relations and "tech" curriculum development at the YWCA of Bethlehem, communications and fundraising at ProJeCt of Easton (an anti-poverty and literacy organization), and community relations and alumni publications at Lafayette College.

Ackerman also has a range of special interests, including France and Francophone Africa, animal welfare, disability, women's rights, parenting, food/nutrition, and high fashion









Angel Ackerman, pictured above, is the co-founder of Parisian Phoenix Publishing. Below she poses with Joe Schwartz of Echo City Capers, an illustrator for the firm.

Photos: Larry Cory

Fashions and Fiends Series









Book One of the Fashion and Fiends Series Angel Ackerman

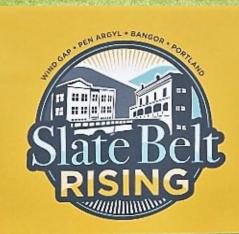


Shop-in-Stroll w/Your Pup





Brian Fenstermaker (middle) of Slate Belt Rising which sponsored the event poses with event organizers, Tim (L) and Kim Stocker.



Slate Belt Rising is a neighborhood revitalization initiative targeting the four boroughs of Bangor, Pen Argyl, Portland, and Wind Gap through three project focus areas:



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Caliana Huratiak, with parents Justin and Melissa to her immediate left, cuts the ribbon for the official opening of Quarry Bites and Brews in downtown Bangor which is open every Thursday evening from 5pm - 9pm. Photo: Larry Cory PHOTO GALLERY



Mt. Carmel Big Time Celebrating 130 Years

by Jolynn Holencik

he Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church "Big Time" is a time-honored tradition and will be celebrating 130 years of amusement, delightful food, and most importantly family. The tradition of the "Big Time" brings decades of family generations together to reminisce about old times past and to look forward to making new memories in the future.

The 130-year-old "Big Time" is one of the longest running Italian festivals in the United States and is still going strong. This year's event will be held July 26th-30th.

The Annual "Big Time" dates back to 1893. The initial celebration was patterned after the festival that took place in Roseto Valfortore, Italy. The festival days were set aside to honor Mary, the Mother of Jesus. The festival is a five-day event beginning on a Wednesday and ending Sunday afternoon.

The "Big Time" is ever evolving but keeps the traditions intact. Entertainment, although there is no longer a circus, includes amusement rides for all ages and bands that play old school Italian favorites as well as modern hits for all generations.

A vast assortment of food complements the entertainment. This includes long

time favorites: sausage and peppers, pizza fritta, pasta, and Italian pastries. The fireworks display on Saturday night is spectacular and what makes it

unique is that the show starts at 11:45 PM.

On a beautiful summer night the streets of Roseto are filled with wonder and on this one night you could call Roseto the tiny city that doesn't sleep.

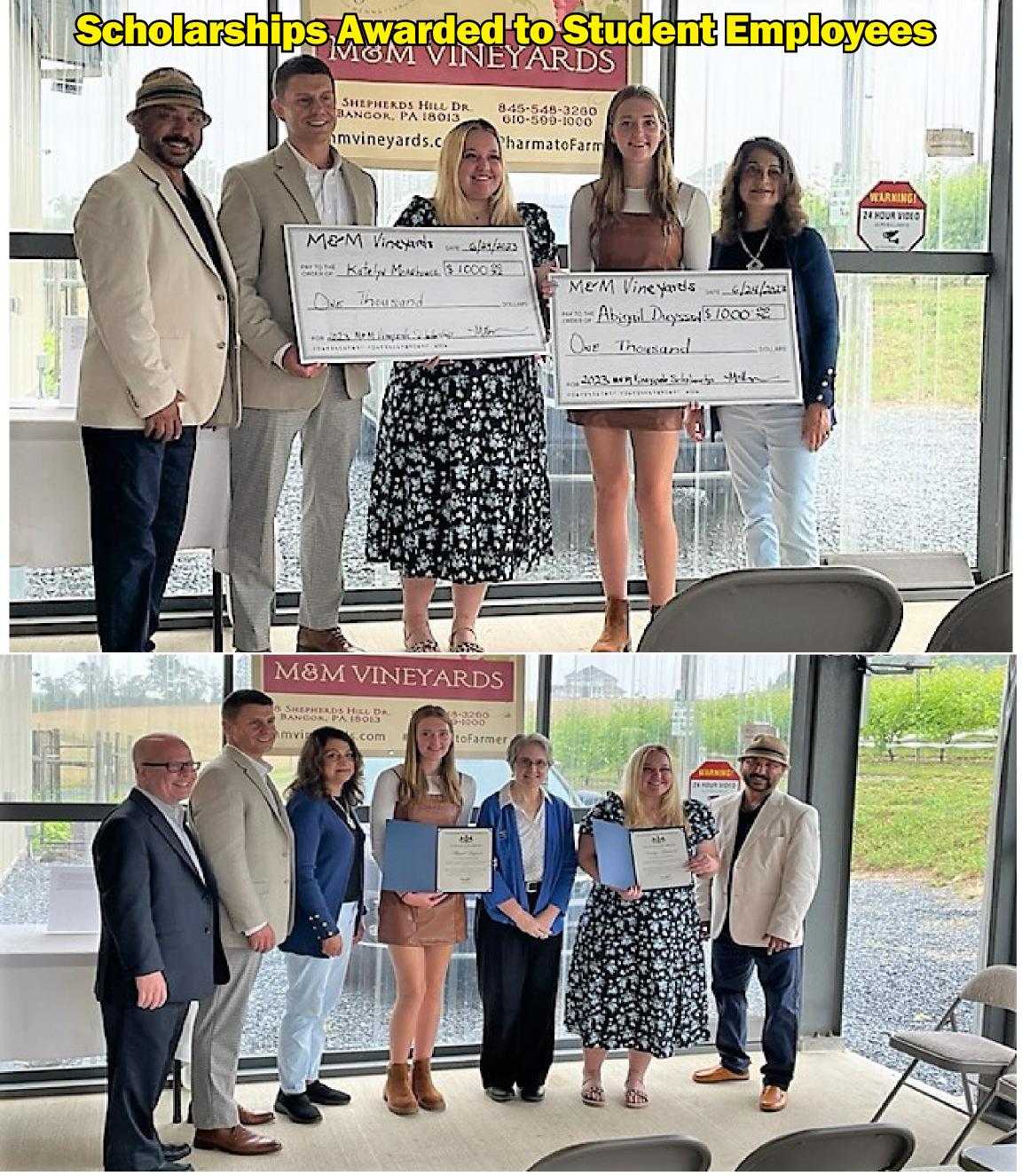
The Queen of the "Big Time" is appointed by fundraising efforts and she is crowned by the previous year's Queen in a ceremony Saturday evening. The princess, page boys, and flower girls join The Queen on her float which parades down Garibaldi Avenue, the main street of Roseto. The queen's court follows in convertible automobiles.

On Sunday, the festival turns its focus to Our Blessed Virgin Mary. The crowning of the Blessed Mother is the main event of the "Big Time". The queen crowns the statue of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

Following the crowning, the priests and parish affiliated groups and parishioners parade down Garibaldi Avenue following Our Lady of Mount Carmel's float as they all recite the Rosary led by a few parishioners.

Come out and experience the Big Time July 26th-30th 20, 560 N 6th St., Bangor PA 18013. https://mtcarmel-roseto.org





Scholarship awards were recently given to student employees Katelyn Morehouse and Abigail Duyssen by owners of the M&M Vinyards, Mohinder and Mini Sidhu.

Above - Mohinder Sidhu, BASD Braden Hendershot, Katelyn Morehouse, Abigail Duyssen, Mini Sidhu

Below- UMBT Supervisor John Berminingham, BASD Braden Hendershot, Mini Sidhu, Abigail Duyssen, Melanie Whiteleather (Representing State Rep. Ann Flood), Katelyn Morehouse, Mohinder Sidhu

Blue Valley Farm Show Youth Advisory Board ALL MOTOR SHOW







