

# Slate Belt Town Topics

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## BLM March Road Closures

The Black Lives Matter March scheduled for Saturday, June 27, will affect Rt. 512 and surrounding side roads in Pen Argyl Borough from 12:00pm to 1:30pm.

The March will begin at the Pen Argyl YMCA entrance, located at 315 West Pennsylvania Avenue and end at 1205 Blue Valley Drive (near Reagles)

The Northampton County Republican Committee and friends will be meeting at Weona park parking area on Saturday June 27 at 11 am 201 East Main St, Pen Argyl.

## Wind Gap Drive Thru

Wind Gap Fire Co Social Hall 111 North Broadway is selling food tonight from 5-10pm. Offerings include Hotdogs, Hamburgers, Cheese Burgers, Sausage Sandwiches, Dales French Fries Stand with all the extras, Candy Apples, Cotton Candy, And don't forget Funnel Cake!

Very important follow signs to enter and exit. Stay in your vehicle and follow Covid 19 and CDC guidance. Let the fire company members bring everything to you.

Proceeds benefit Wind Gap Volunteer Fire Co. Wind Gap Ems will be selling Instant Bingo Tickets!

## 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.

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## 75-Day Covid Patient Survives



St. Luke's Warren Campus discharged a COVID-19 patient after a 75-day stay and 54 days on a ventilator.

Andrew Priliszh, 64, of Rahway, N.J., left the hospital this week, bidding farewell to the staff that became a second family to him. The first thing he wants to do, he said, is have a T-bone steak, and he is looking forward to going fishing.

When Priliszh was admitted to St Luke's Warren in early April, COVID-19 was approaching its peak in New Jersey. Both Priliszh and his physician, Dr. Eugene Decker, credited the nursing and other hospital staff for attending to Priliszh's care and keeping up his spirits throughout out his long, arduous recovery.

Priliszh had multiple, serious pre-existing health conditions, which put him at high risk when he contracted Covid-19 at a nursing home. "He received just about every intervention you can think of to treat the COVID-19 infection, including plasma donation," Decker said.

"His spirit and will to survive are amazing."

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## 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 us, and we look forward to continuing the tradition of "The Big Time".

## Free Take-Out

The East Bangor UMCC welcomes you to a Free (take-out only) Dinner on Sunday, July 5 from 4 -5 p.m. Wear your mask. The church located at 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor. Questions? call 610-588-4453 or visit <http://ebumc.org/>.

## Drivers' License Extension


PennDOT just announced an extension to expiration dates on Driver Licenses, ID Card and Learner's Permits until 7/31/2020. This DOES NOT extend vehicle registrations, safety and emissions inspections or Disability parking placards which are currently extended until 6/30/2020.

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- 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](mailto:manager@penargylborough.com) or call Borough Office at 610.863-4119.

## NEW VIRUS CASE REPORT - JUNE 26

LOCATION	TOTAL CASES	NEW CASES
State	83,770	600
Northampton	3,352	13
Monroe	1,388	4
Lehigh	4,164	34



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## Blue Valley Farm Show ppd

The 75th Annual Blue Valley Farm Show will be postponed until August 10 -14, 2021 due to the state of Pennsylvania's restrictions on gatherings in response to the COVID19 pandemic. However, the Farm Show will host a Youth Livestock Show and drive-thru dinners. These will only take place if we remain in "green" as per Governor Wolf.

All youth livestock shows will be closed to the public. Only exhibitors and immediate family are permitted on the fairgrounds!

## 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.

## Wanted: Barber-Hair Stylist

JMS Salon & Spa 436 S. First St. (Rt 191) is looking for a barber or hair stylist to share space with them. Must have your own following, clientele or willing to build one. Very relaxed, clean family salon. Make your own hours. Be your own boss. Must be pa licensed. Serious inquiries only please.

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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.
- **Damaged roadway on Five Points - Richmond Road** in both directions between Messenger St, Bangor, Park Drive and Sunset Drive. 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.

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Children who are eligible for the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program can receive vaccines at no cost through a national network of participating health care providers.

The VFC program helps ensure that all children have a better chance of getting their recommended vaccinations on schedule. These vaccines protect babies, young children, and adolescents from 16 diseases

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/vfc/parents/index.html>

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## Tuscarora Power Camp

Tuscarora Inn & Conference Center is partnering with Mount Bethel Church to provide Power Camp: a faith-based week long day camp designed to use sports, games, and creativity to present the gospel to children.

Power Camp is for students who have finished kindergarten through 5th grade. The day will consist of open recreation, large group sessions and games, sports clinics or arts and crafts, lunch, small-group Bible study, team competitions, guest speakers and, for those that choose the Extended Day option, the Tuscarora pool.

The program will run from July 6 to July 10 from 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM. Extended day options are available (students will visit the Tuscarora pool) from 3-5 PM for an additional cost.

Cost:

First Child - \$100

Additional Children - \$75

Lunch (provided by Tuscarora) - \$15

Extended Day option - \$25

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## NWS Forecast - June 26

### Hazardous Weather

Severe thunderstorms are possible on Saturday and Saturday evening. The primary hazard is expected to be damaging winds.

#### Today

Mostly sunny, with a high near 84. West wind 5 to 10 mph.

#### Tonight

Partly cloudy, with a low around 62. West wind around 5 mph becoming calm in the evening.

#### Saturday

Showers and thunderstorms likely, mainly after 2pm.

Some storms could be severe, with damaging winds.

Mostly cloudy, with a high near 83. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60%. New rainfall amounts between a half and three quarters of an inch possible.

#### Saturday Night

Showers and thunderstorms likely, mainly before 8pm.

Some storms could be severe, with damaging winds.

Mostly cloudy, with a low around 67. West wind 5 to 10 mph becoming light after midnight. Chance of precipitation is 60%. New rainfall amounts of less than a tenth of an inch, except higher amounts possible in thunderstorms.

#### Sunday

A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly

sunny, with a high near 86. West wind around 5 mph.

Chance of precipitation is 20%.

#### Sunday Night

Partly cloudy, with a low around 63.

#### Monday

Sunny, with a high near 87.

#### Monday Night

Mostly clear, with a low around 63.

#### Tuesday

A chance of showers and thunderstorms after 2pm. Mostly sunny, with a high near 86. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

#### Tuesday Night

A chance of showers and thunderstorms before 8pm. Partly



# Slate Belt Happenings

**June 27**

## Black Lives Matter March

Join the peaceful protest Black Lives Matter March Saturday June 27. If anyone has any questions or wants to get involved, please contact

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

Meet at Slate Belt Y and end at 1205 Blue Valley Drive Blue Valley Dr., Start at Noon and end at 2. Wear masks, bring signs and water.

**June 28**

## East Bangor UMC

Sun., June 28

- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Online)

**June 29**

## VBS at Grace UMC

Each week you'll come to Grace UMC to pick up a packet for VBS. Stories, worksheets, crafts, games and activities and a Bible memory verse. There will be packets for three age groups—pre-k-k, 1st-3rd, 4th and up. Starting June 29 and going for five weeks, pickups will be from 10-11 am and 6-7 pm. Go to [www.worshipatgrace.org](http://www.worshipatgrace.org), scroll down to Grace VBS@Home and click on the registration link. For

more information please call the church office at 610-863-4811 or email [graceumc@worshipatgrace.org](mailto:graceumc@worshipatgrace.org)

**June 30**

## 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.

## East Bangor Taco Tuesdays

East Bangor Volunteer Fire Co. is sponsoring Taco Tuesday Take-out from 4-8pm June 9, 16, and 30. Hard Taco's are \$2, Soft Tacos \$3, Taco Salad Bowl, \$7 and a Kids Meal Hotdog and Mac & Cheese \$3.

Text or call order ahead starting Mondays before, or order in person. Call 484-903-4556. Pick up at the hall doors.

**July 1**

## Jacobsburg Weekly Weeders

July 1, 15, 22, 29, August 19, 26 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

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plants, and amend soil in the center's native plant garden. We provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Volunteers will need to wear a mask, bring a water bottle, and practice social distancing. Registration is required in order to maintain small group sizes in accordance with the current health guidance. Register for community programs online [Click Here](#).

## July 4

### July Fourth Parade

The UMBT & Portland Borough Parade on the Fourth of July at 11am is gearing up to roll out with uplifting patriotic spirit.

The route will start at the Dunkin Donuts in Portland and go left up Delaware Ave, then left on Turkey Ridge Road and left on Saddle Creek Drive. Left again onto Million Dollar Hwy taking a right on Ramblewood, a left onto Totts Gap Road straight to Johnsonville Road where it will cross 512 to Orchard Road and a left on to Evergreen Road to through Evergreen Village going left on Flintlock passing the Clubhouse then left onto Revolutionary and left onto Powderhorn back out onto Evergreen and ending at 611.

### July Fourth Concert

Bangor Trust Brewing is heading outside this

summer. Join them for their first concert of the season July Fourth on Broadway with headliner Greg Smith - Off The Road band at 5pm. Airspace will be kicking off things at 2pm.

## July 5

### Butterflies of the Grasslands

Sunday, July 5th 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Jacobsburg EE Center 1:00 to 3:00 PM at Waste Management grasslands

DCNR/Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center is sponsoring the two butterfly walks in July. Join local butterfly enthusiast Bill Grant for this walk through the meadows at Jacobsburg and the grasslands at Grand Central landfill in Pen Argyl to look for local species of butterflies. We'll also look at different species of birds that make the grasslands their home. Wear comfortable hiking shoes, a hat, and bring bottled water. 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](#).

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## July 8

### Hike for Health

Wednesday, July 8, 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

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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](#).

**July 10**

## Family Night - Stream Search

Friday, July 10 at 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Get your feet wet in the Bushkill Creek while searching for the tiny critters that live there. This program is best for families with children ages 5 and up. Equipment will be provided. Wear close-toed shoes that can get wet and expect to be in the water up to your knees. 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](#).

**July 10-12**

## Plainfield Yard Sales

The 2020 Plainfield Township Community Yard Sales will be held on July 10, 11, 12, 2020 from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

**July 15**

## Jacobsburg Weekly Weeders

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and amend soil in the center's native plant garden. We provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Volunteers will need to wear a mask, bring a water bottle, and practice social distancing. Registration is required in order to maintain small group sizes in accordance with the current health guidance. Register for community programs online [Click Here](#).

**July 22**

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**July 27**

## Support Group

A group supporting and reaching all Veterans and First Responders will meet 7pm the fourth Monday each Month at A Clean Slate Resource Center and is free and confidential to join the "The what are you are you reading right now challenge."

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# Where to Eat

## Napoli Pizza

Open for pick up & delivery. 610-588-1455, 444 S 1st St, Bangor. More Info: [Click Here](#)

## Slate Belt Diner

Open for take out. 610-452-9205, 370 Blue Valley Drive. More Info: [Click Here](#)

## Daisy Family Restaurant

Daisy Family Restaurant's full menu, including ice cream, is available for take out only. Order by phone for curbside pickup and have your food brought to your vehicle, OR order at the counter and take it with you. NO ONE IS PERMITTED TO DINE INSIDE. 6589 Sullivan Trail Wind Gap, (610) 863-4044. Cash or credit still accepted. More info: [Click Here](#)

## Three Brothers Pizza

Three Brothers Pizza is now open in the former Plainfield Diner on Sullivan Trail. Pandemic restrictions prevent in-house dining, but at 11 am today takeout will be available. Call 610-863-4950 to order.

More Info: [Click Here](#)

## Mt. Bethel Diner

Mt. Bethel Diner is open for Take-Out only Monday - Sunday 8am - 7pm. Call ahead to order 570-897-6409, 2600 N. Delaware Drive, Mt. Bethel, Pa 18343.

More Info: [Click Here](#)

## Family & Friends Takeout

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

## Gap Diner

The Gap Diner in Wind Gap will open for dining in starting friday June 26 at 6am. They are looking forward to seeing everyone

For the time being Tuesday - Saturday 11am-7pm they are open for take out and curb-side delivery.

[Click Here](#)

## Little Creek BBQ

June Hours: Tue-Sat 3 pm-7 pm & Sunday 12pm-5pm. Have a limited meat selection, but they have all of their sides & desserts available and Sweet Tea.

Place orders by phone - accept all forms of payment - cash, MC, Visa, Discover & AMEX. Orders will be curbside pick-up or delivery.

Cash payments for curbside will be taken at the vehicle, delivery cash payments at the door. If you would like a "knock and drop" delivery - they prefer credit/debit over the phone. Daily Specials & Menu will posted each morning by 8am. More info: [Click Here](#)

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## Where to Eat

### Sal's Pizza

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

### Doughboys

Original Doughboys Pizza and Restaurant, 230 W. Moorestown Rd, Wind Gap. 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. 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

More Info: [Click Here](#)

### Broadway Pub

Broadway Pub 62 Broadway, Bangor. 610-452-9226. COVID Hrs. Tues-Sun (2-8).  
More Info: [Click Here](#)

### Five Points Grill & Pub

Five Points Grill & Pub 1001 Mt. Bethel Highway, Mt. Bethel. 610-588-1773. Thurs-Sat. Order online only. More Info: [Click Here](#)

### TK's Restaurant

TK's will open June 5 in their outdoor seating and To Go services. 7am - 11pm 7 Days A Week. Reservations are HIGHLY encouraged as seating is limited. 570-897-6112

They are temporarily suspending the \$20 minimum for credit card purchases. There will be a 75-minute limit for each table service if instructed by staff.

NO MORE than 10 people per table unless you are a family from the SAME household. To See menu: [Click Here](#)

Disposable cutlery, plates and cups will be utilized. Masks must be worn at all times except when seated at the table. No standing permitted.

They are doing our best to offer as much of their classic "We never close" service as possible. They hope the restrictions will be lifted soon and they can't wait to see you all again!

### 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](#)

**These Restaurant listings are free because of the limitations placed on eateries due to the Coronavirus pandemic. If you have any other listing you want to add contact Slate Belt Town Topics [sbttopics@rcn.com](mailto:sbttopics@rcn.com) or call 610-863-1988**

## HELP WANTED

### Circulation Assistant

### Bangor Public Library.

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**Qualifications:** Education/Training: High school diploma or GED required; previous library experience preferred; Criminal Clearances. EOE

**Schedule:** Wednesday 4:00-8:00 pm, Thursday 5:00-8:00 pm, (2) Thursdays a month 2:00-5:00 pm (2) Saturdays a month 10:00 am. – 4:00 pm. On call to fill in for emergency call outs Library Contact: Phone: 610-588-1931. Email: [director@bangorlibrary.org](mailto:director@bangorlibrary.org)



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## Bangor Library New Books

### Adult Fiction

Big Summer: a novel by Jennifer Weiner  
 Bombshell by Stuart Woods  
 The Book of Longings by Sue Monk Kidd  
 The Book of lost friends: a novel by Lisa Wingate  
 The Boy from the woods by Harlan Coben  
 Camino Winds by John Grisham  
 A Conspiracy of bones by Kathy Reichs  
 Furmidable Foes by Rita Mae Brown  
 Girls of Summer: a novel by Nancy Thayer  
 The girl in White Gloves: A novel of Grace Kelly  
 by Kerri Maher  
 The Henna Artist by Alka Joshi  
 Hideaway by Nora Roberts  
 Hit list by Stuart Woods  
 The Honey-don't list by Christina Lauren  
 It's not all downhill from here: a novel by Terry  
 McMillan  
 The K Team by David Rosenfelt  
 Long Range by C.J. Box  
 The Moment of Tenderness by Madeleine L'Engle  
 On Ocean Boulevard by Mary Alice Monroe  
 The Sea Glass Cottage by RaeAnne Thayne  
 The Summer House by James Patterson  
 Texas Outlaw by James Patterson  
 Walk the Wire by David Baldacci

### Adult Non Fiction

Lady in waiting: my extraordinary life in the  
 shadow of the crown by Anne Glenconner

### Junior Non Fiction

The Disappearing spoon: and other true tales of  
 rivalry adventure, and the history of the world from  
 the periodic table of elements by Sam Kean

### Audio Book

The Wife by Meg Wolitzer  
 Young Adult Fiction

The Ballad of Songbirds and snakes by Suzanne  
 Collins

### Easy Fiction

The World needs more purple people by Kristen  
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## BMCL Reopens

The Blue Mountain Community Library is open for  
 Curbside Services ONLY. Library hours for pick-up  
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 member and their membership number, along with  
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A library representative will contact you with a day  
 and time for pick-up in the library parking lot. If an  
 item is not available, a reserve will be made for you  
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# Avoiding Foggy Glasses for Mask Users

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## 2. **Athletic**

day after day,

## 3. **Soapy wa-**

washing your

Soap acts as a

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 avid swimmer he or she may have some.



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

**tape** is also a possibility, however, if you wear the same mask every day, 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. A surfactant — which stands for surface active agent — and the

# 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 coronavirus 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](tel: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. June 14th is flag day. 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@gmail.com](mailto:wrcole3@gmail.com). 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](mailto: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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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.

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## 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.

## Slate Belt Textile History

The Slate Belt Heritage Center's *A History of the Slate Belt Textile Industry* will be released May 23.

The book follows the history of 376 mills from the early 1900's to present, and highlights the people responsible for the growth of the industry.

A post May 18, featured four co-authors speaking about contributions to the book on the center's Facebook page and the Sigel Museum website.

Pre-ordered books will be available May 23, from 9-noon. Pre-orders with paid shipping will be mailed that day. Call 610-599-4993 to purchase your book.

## St. John's Cemetery

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## "Weona 100" Requests

Pen Argyl requests volunteers, personal stories from for "Weona 100." A joint committee of borough officials and residents are planning a weekend of "Weona 100" festivities and activities on June 19-20, 2020. For more information about the Weona Park 100th Anniversary plans, contact Roberta Cowley at 484-695-2994 or email [Weona100@gmail.com](mailto:Weona100@gmail.com).

## Miss Julie's Classes

Miss Julies five-week session is beginning the week of July 13. They will use Covid 19 Safety Procedures to their in-studio classes.

They offer once-and-done workshops in June, July, and August if you want to just test the waters , or if you are not yet ready to commit to a 5-week session.

All classes will be live-streamed so you can take class from home instead of the studio!

See schedule: [Click Here](#)

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## 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](http://www.giveapint.org).

## Don't Just Push Germs Around, Eliminate Them

Many cleaning tools give the impression that they are killing germs and cleaning your home when in reality they are simply spreading germs to other more hidden areas of your home. The only way to avoid this is by sanitizing these cleaning tools, such as mops, dusters, and dishrags between uses or they will continue to spread bacteria around your house. This issue often goes unnoticed, as some of the most sparkling clean homes can be saturated with bacteria while other

## 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.**
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- **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.

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Get ready for the Bangor Borough town-wide yard sale taking place Labor Day weekend, Sept. 5-7! The Borough waives the yard sale permit and you have the opportunity to find some treasures and release your unused items to someone who can use them.

**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 [hbbapa.org](http://hbbapa.org). Pre-Registration does not reserve your spot in the show, but gets you a goody bag and tshirt. Goody bags and

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.

**September 16****Hike for Health**

Wednesday, J 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.](#)

**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



# COVID-19

## REOPENING PHASES

### WORK & CONGREGATE SETTINGS

### SOCIAL SETTINGS

#### RED PHASE

- LIFE-SUSTAINING BUSINESSES ONLY
- RESTRICTIONS IN PLACE FOR PRISON + CONGREGATE CARE
- SCHOOLS CLOSED FOR IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION
- MOST CHILD CARE CLOSED

- STAY AT HOME ORDERED
- LARGE GATHERINGS PROHIBITED
- RESTAURANTS/BARS LIMITED TO CARRY-OUT + DELIVERY
- ONLY TRAVEL FOR LIFE-SUSTAINING PURPOSES

#### YELLOW PHASE

- TELEWORK MUST CONTINUE WHERE FEASIBLE
- BUSINESSES WITH IN-PERSON OPERATIONS MUST FOLLOW SAFETY ORDERS
- CHILD CARE OPEN COMPLYING WITH GUIDANCE
- RESTRICTIONS IN PLACE FOR PRISON + CONGREGATE CARE
- SCHOOLS CLOSED FOR IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION

- STAY AT HOME ORDER LIFTED FOR AGGRESSIVE MITIGATION
- LARGE GATHERINGS OF MORE THAN 25 PROHIBITED
- IN-PERSON RETAIL ALLOWED CURBSIDE/DELIVERY PREFERRED
- INDOOR RECREATION, HEALTH AND WELLNESS FACILITIES (SUCH AS GYMS, SPAS, HAIR SALONS, NAIL SALONS AND OTHER ENTITIES THAT PROVIDE MASSAGE THERAPY), AND ALL ENTERTAINMENT (SUCH AS CASINOS, THEATERS) REMAIN CLOSED
- RESTAURANTS/BARS LIMITED TO CARRY-OUT + DELIVERY

#### GREEN PHASE

- ALL BUSINESSES MUST FOLLOW CDC AND PA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH GUIDELINES

- AGGRESSIVE MITIGATION LIFTED
- INDIVIDUALS MUST FOLLOW CDC AND PA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH GUIDELINES