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Slate Belt Town Topics World War II Weekend in Jacobsburg



This actor at the World War II weekend at Jacobsburg portrays a paratrooper with a parachute in hand ready to jump from a partially reconstructed fuselage of a C-47 plane which was used to drop 13,000 troops for the Normandy Invasion in France on D-Day of June, 1945. Photos: Larry Cory PHOTO GALLERY - 37 photos.



The Mobile Canteen pictured above was located in York, PA during World War II. This photo and a replica of the "V" on top of the canteen were on display at the WWII weekend in Jacobsburg. Other Canteens like one in Bangor in 1943-44 collected and sent goods to soldiers serving abroad. The "V," according to our research, orginated with the BBC and was a rallying sign for resistance against Hitler. British Prime Minister Winston Churchill frequently flashed the "V" in public.

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June 28, 2022



Despite the negative connotations associated with its name, which flower is surprisingly hardy? The answer: Pansies. Pansies are resilient in colder temperatures. They can withstand frost and bloom again after harsh winters. Pansies are "cool-season annuals" meaning they prefer cooler weather

and typically go dormant during hotter months. Accordingly, these cold-weather flowers are the birth flower of those born in February. Since purple pansies are some of the most popular variety, this plays off the hue of February's birthstone: the amethyst. Since pansies are early bloomers, too, Feb-

ruary babies just might be able to pluck a few during their birth month.

Pansies also occupy a symbolic role in literature and popular culture. The flower is often connoted with love and affection, largely as a result of their use in the love potion of Shakespeare's Midsummer Night's Dream. Historic references of pansies date back to their use in traditional Celtic herbal love remedies.

Fun fact - The name "pansy" comes from the French word, pensee, meaning thought or remembrance. Next time you're thinking of a loved one, send 'em a pansy!



Happening Today

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

7:00pm Washington Twp. Recreation - 7pm Roseto Zoning - 7pm Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm Bangor Borough Council - Workshop, Bee Hive, UMBT Zoning - 7pm

Area Roadwork Today

Pen Argyl Boro Road name: Pen Argyl Road Between: PA 191 and Main Street. Lane restriction 09:00 AM To 02:00 PM with flagging. Start date: 6/27. Est completion date: 6/28

Washington / Plainfield. Road name: PA 191. Between: Sullivan Trail and PA 512. Lane restriction 09:00 AM To 02:00 PM with flagging. Start date: 6/27 Est completion date: 7/1

Interstate 78 Between: Exit 67 (PA 412) and Exit 75 (To PA 611) Lane restriction 07:00 PM To 06:00 AM in both directions for concrete repair work. Expect delays and please use caution when traveling in work zones. Start date: 6/27 Est completion date: 7/1

Moore Township Road name: Scenic Drive Between: Mountain View Drive and Bushkill Drive Lane restriction 09:00 AM To 02:00 PM with flagging. Start date: 6/27 Est completion date: 7/1

Moore Township Road name: Point Phillips Road Between: Scenic Drive and Mountain View Drive Lane restriction 09:00 AM To 02:00 PM restriction with flagging. Start date: 6/29 Est completion date: 6/29

Support St. John's Cemetery

St. John's Cemetery is conducting their annual cemetery appeal for ongoing maintenance of the cemetery. Donations can be made to St. John's Cemetery, PO Box 9 c/o Carol Hummel, Bangor, PA

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Sunny 77 Today Sunny 82 Tuesday

National Weather Service Forecast Today, Sunny, with a high near 77. Northwest wind 5 to 10 mph.

Tonight, Patchy fog after midnight. Otherwise, mostly clear, with a low around 52. Calm wind becoming north around 5 mph.

Wednesday, Sunny, with a high near 82. Calm wind becoming southwest around 5 mph in the afternoon.

Wednesday Night, Mostly clear, with a low around 59. Southwest wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

Thursday, Sunny, with a high near 86. Calm wind becoming west around 5 mph in the afternoon.

Thursday Night, Mostly clear, with a low of 63. Friday, Sunny, with a high near 90.

Friday Night, Partly cloudy, with a low around 69.

Saturday, Showers likely and possibly a thunderstorm, mainly after 2pm. Partly sunny, with a high near 85. Chance of precipitation is 70%.

Saturday Night, Showers likely and possibly a thunderstorm.

Air Quality: Good (0-50) Bethlehem (27) Columbia N.J. (30)

Pollen: 0.2 Low (Top Alergen (s) Grasses, Dock, Plantain

UV: Very High Risk (12-5) Peak 6.9 at 1:00 pm

Slate Belt Weather

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June 27	June 21
June 26	June 20
June 25	June 19
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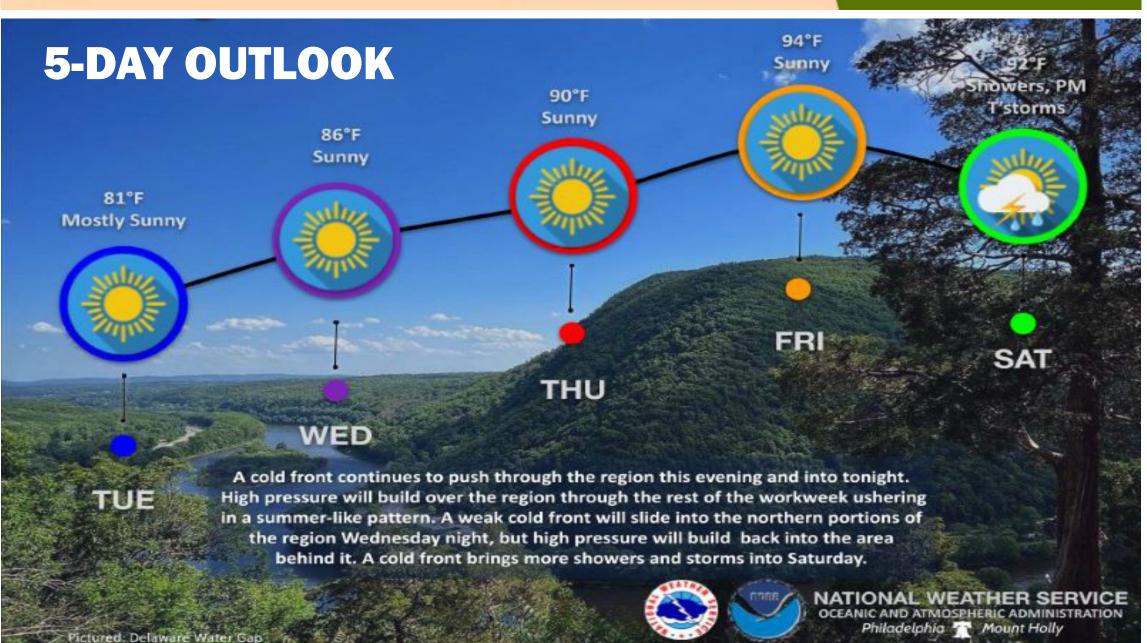


USE FINE-TIPPED TWEEZERS to grasp tick as close to skin's surface as possible

PULL UPWARD with steady, even pressure

THOROUGHLY CLEAN bite area and hands

DISPOSE OF LIVE TICK — never crush a tick with your fingers



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July 2 Blue Valley Tractor Pull

The New Penn Jersey Tractor Pullers Association Inc. Season Opener has been rescheduled at the Blue Valley Farm Show 707 American Bangor Road, Bangor Saturday July 2nd, 2022. (Time TBA) Registration Closes 30 minutes before start. The actual running order will be posted the day of event at registration Weight Transfer Machine by Crouse Sled Rental \$10 General Admission, Kids under 12 Free - \$20 hook fee for competitors. All Classes Pay standard NPJ Purse (like at Plainfield) - No Trophies

July 7 Weekly Weeders

Thursday, July 7, 14, 21, & 28 at 8:30am to 10:30am



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July 9

Four B's Walk

Saturday, July 9 at 10:00am to 11:30am Need a break from the fast pace in a natural space? Borrow our nets, binoculars and ID books and join us for a fruitful walk as we find butterflies, bugs, birds, and blooms. Registration Required at https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order =date&search=jacobsburg

Honeysuckle Hacking -Volunteer Event

Saturday, July 9 at 1:00pm to 3:00pm You may be surprised to find out that most of the shrubbery around the park are actually invasive honeysuckle species mixed with other woody-stemmed invasives. We will have a quick lesson on identification, ecological impacts, and management and then get geared up to lop, chop, and stop the spread. Tools and safety equipment will be provided. Registration is required at https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?orde r=date&search=jacobsburg

> July 10 Weona Park Concert Large Flowerheads 6-8pm.

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July 20

Hike for Health

Wednesday, July 20 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.

July 21 Weekly Weeders

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July 23

Butterflies of Jacobsburg

Saturday, July 23 at 10:00am to 12:00pm Join local butterfly enthusiast Bill Grant for this walk through the fields of Jacobsburg in search of these beautiful insects. He'll show you how to quickly identify local species and the best places to look for them. Participants should wear comfortable shoes. A hat, bottled water sunscreen, binoculars, and camera are recommended. This program is best for families with children ages 8 and up. Registration is required.

Creek Critters

Saturday, July 23 at 2:00pm to 3:00pm Join us to learn about the fascinating creatures living in Bushkill Creek. Equipment to study these animals will be provided. Wear close-toed shoes that can get wet and expect to be in the water up to your knees. This program is best for families with children ages 5 and up. Registration is required

July 24 Weona Park Concert Philadelphia Funk Authority 6-8pm.







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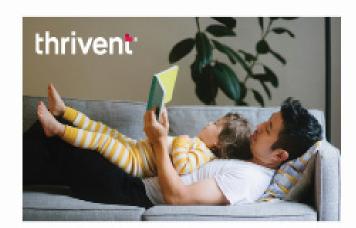
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Aug 5,6,7 Roseto Yard Sales

The annual Roseto Borough yard sale will be held the first weekend of August. day, Saturday and Sunday August 5th, 6th and 7th. The Borough waives the normal fees for this weekend, so setup and sell your treasures.

August 7 Aonghus Oakley Ames



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Miller 4x4 Truck Show

The first Annual Aonghus Oakley Ames Miller 4x4 Truck Show to fund Blue Collar Scholarship in his memory is planned for the Blue Valley Farm Show 1:00 p.m. Sunday August 7. Tickets · \$10 -\$45 www.eventbrite.com/e/310620603587

Fun! Trucks! Prizes! Food!

You can help pay it forward through the Blue Collar Scholarship!!! Check out **www. aoamfoundation.org/bluecollarscholarship** for information!

Your Donation/ticket will enter you to win an hourly door prize and will be used as your vote for the Best in Show 4x 4 Truck!

Your Truck Entry fee will get you a spot on the lot, a t-shirt and sticker with an opportunity to win one of three prize bundles!! Best in Show, Best 2014 and older, Best 2015 and newer!!!

Vendors will be on site, food, music! Come join us and have a good time and enjoy the 4 x 4's

> August 7 Weona Park Concert

Moss Henry and the Bryophytes 6-8pm.

August 21 Weona Park Concert Desire 6-8pm.

July 3 Wind Gap Concert

Wind Gap Park Concert 6:00pm - Main St. Cruisers

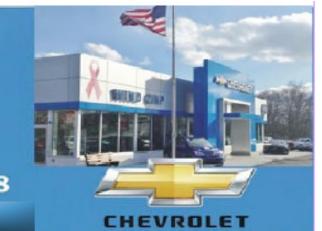
July 17 Wind Gap Concert

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Wind Gap Park Concert 6:00pm - New Individuals

July 31 Wind Gap Concert

Wind Gap Park Concert 6:00pm -Steel Creek

August 14 Wind Gap Concert

Wind Gap Park Concert 6:00pm - Inch and the Echoes

August 27 Delaware Riverfest - Vendors,

Food & More

Enjoy the day along the Delaware River shopping with vendors, delicious food, drinks, music, and more!

August 27, 2022 from 10AM to 3PM, 422 Delaware Avenue Portland, PA 18351

For vendor opportunities email blueflameevents@yahoo.com

Registration cost is \$30 Per 10 x 10 space

August 28 Wind Gap Concert

Wind Gap Park Concert 6:00pm - Joey and the T-Birds

Sept 11,12 Revolutionary War Weekend

Jacobsburg Revolutionary War Weekend September 10,11 10am - 3pm

September 10 Roseto Flea Market

Come join us the Roseto Helping Hands Vendor and Flea Market Event September 10, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Roseto Ball Park located at the corner of McKinley and Denisco Roads in Roseto. Food will be available for purchase!

If you wish to be a Vendor, please contact Darlene Dunbar via text at 908-619-7643 or email at darlendunbar@entermail.net.

Sept 17-19, 2022 Hot Air Balloon Festival

2022 Lancaster Hot Air Balloon Festival Sep 17, 2022 At 6 Pm – Sep 19, 2022 At 9

The Lancaster Balloon Festival is a one-of-akind event in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. Hosted in the village of Bird-in-Hand, PA the festival features the mass launch of dozens of big, beautiful balloon, family entertainment, fire works, delicious food, Amish goods, and even buggy rides!

September 18 MDPH Open Show

An MDPH Oipen Show is scheduled for 9:00 a,m. Sunday, September 18 at 2557 Ackermanville Rd, Bangor,

September 25

September To Remember Vendor Show

September To Remember Vendor Show is set for September 25 from 10-3 at Bangor Memorial Park, 90 eisenhart Blvd., Bangor.

Join them for a fun filled family day with over 50 vendors to shop with, fantastic food and drinks, sweet treats, and more! Beer, wine & sangria will also be available.

Sleggy's Axe House will be set up for patrons to practice their axe throwing.

Magician Mary: Mysterrio will be doing a magic show, and there will be free face painting! you won't want to miss this







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332 Kennedy Drive, Bangor www.christpcsb.org More info 610-588-4864. E-mail: info@christpcsb.org. Sunday Worship, 10:00 a.m. (Until 9/11) in-person/Zoom/Facebook Live. For more info: 610-588-4864.

Flicksville UCC

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

www.flicksvilleucc.com Summer Worship at 10 AM following social distancing guidelines



Trinity Lutheran Church

404 Broadway Bangor (610-588-2023) telcbangor@frontier.com Website: www. tlcbangor.com Sunday worship 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion: First and Third Sundays Refreshments after. Masks optional.

East Bangor UMC

136 W. Central Ave. (Rt.512) East Bangor Sat. June 25 - 8pm AA Meeting
Sun June 26 -9:30 a.m. Worship Service (Live & on Zoom) 10:45 Fellowship Hour (For Zoom, go to ebumc.org to sign in)

First United Methodist Church of Bangor

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



Phone 610-588-2958 Fax 610-588-8461 E-Mail: dukessports@fastnet

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church

703 South Delaware Drive Mt. Bethel, 18343

http://www.celcpa.org/

Email: celcpaorg@yahoo.com 610-588-7056 Worship: Sundays 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion: First and Third Sunday Toddler Sunday School: Sept-May 10:15

Richmond United Methodist Church

Rev. Peter Jamieson, Pastor http://richmondumc.com/ 8538 Delaware Dr, Bangor, PA 18013 610.588.7317 | richmondumc@epix.net Sunday Worship - Weekly at 10:00 a.m.

Grace Lutheran Church

5907 Sullivan Trail, Nazareth Pa 18064 www.gracebelfastpa.org 610-759-9080 Email:gracebelfast@rcn.com June 26 - 9:00 a.m. -3rd Sunday after Pentecost, Service of the Word



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Deadline Extended for 2021 Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program

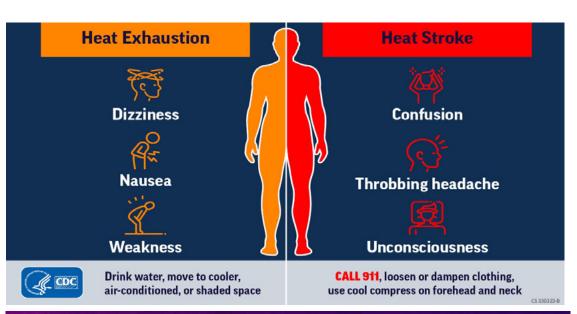
The deadline for senior citizens and Pennsylvanians with disabilities to apply for rebates on rent and property taxes paid in 2021 has been extended to Dec. 31.

The Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program benefits eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older; widows and widowers age 50 and older; and people with disabilities age 18 and older. The income limit is \$35,000 annually for home-owners and \$15,000 annually for renters, and half of Social Security income is excluded.

The maximum standard rebate for homeowners is \$650, but supplemental rebates for certain qualifying homeowners can boost rebates to \$975. The Department of Revenue automatically calculates supplemental rebates for qualifying homeowners.

Claimants are encouraged to file their rebate applications online by visiting mypath.pa.gov. No account is required. Applicants who still wish to file a paper application form may obtain Property Tax/Rent Rebate claim forms (PA-1000) and related information on the Department of Revenue's website or by calling 1-888-222-9190.

Rebates will be distributed beginning July 1, as required by law. The easiest way to check the status of your rebate after July 1 is to use the Where's My Rebate? tool. To check on the status of your claim, you will need your Social Security number, claim year and date of birth



10 Early Signs and Symptoms of Alzheimer's

- 1. Memory loss that disrupts daily life
- 2. Challenges in planning or solving problems
- 3. Difficulty completing familiar tasks
- Confusion with time or place
- Trouble understanding visual images and spatial relationships
- 6. New problems with words in speaking or writing
- Misplacing things and losing the ability to retrace steps
- 8. Decreased or poor judgment
- 9. Withdrawal from work or social activities
- 10. Changes in mood and personality



- · drink plenty of water
- stay cool indoors
- use sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher
- limit outdoor activity
- · avoid alcohol & caffeine
- · wear light-colored, loose clothing
- · check on older family & friends
- never leave kids, older adults or pets in unattended vehicles



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Make exercise a family activity!



FOOD SAFETY TIPS

- **WASH** your hands with soap and water before preparing food.
- SEPARATE raw meats from other foods.
- CLEAN fruits and vegetables to remove dirt.
- CHECK internal temperature with a food thermometer.
- REFRIGERATE leftover foods promptly.

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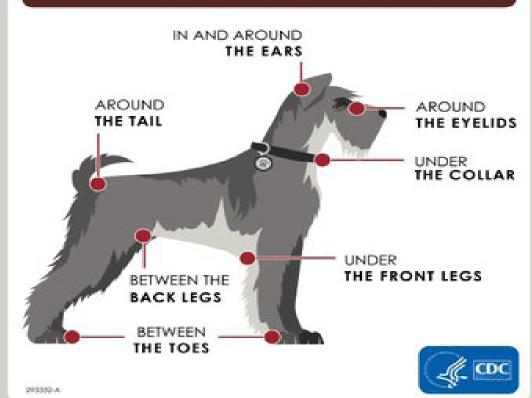


hours a week in nature is associated with good health and wellbeing!

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Aim for 60 minutes

of physical activity

before you're thirsty to avoid heat-related illness!

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you can lose some of your hearing after a few minutes around these noises?



Always protect your hearing. Wear hearing protection such as earplugs or earmuffs.

Fireworks

140-160 dB

Lawn Mowers

80-100 dB

Ways to Help NATIVE BEES

- Plant native trees. Trees provide a large nectar source from their blossoms and habitat for some bees.
- Plant native plants that bloom during the spring, summer, and fall to provide a continuous food source.
- Avoid using herbicides, pesticides, and insecticides. Find organic ways to garden and remove pests.
- Provide water and habitat such as bare soil in your garden for ground-nesting bees, leave plant stems standing in winter, dead trees or fallen logs, or bee nesting houses.
- Participate in citizen science opportunities to help count bees like the Bumble Bee Watch, Great Sunflower Project, and more.
- Spread the word! Let others know how they can help.





Choose native plants which provide nutritional value for pollinators and require less maintenance

Choose native plants that bloom at different times (early spring – late fall), providing food all season

Choose plants with flowers of different sizes, shapes, and colors for the diversity of pollinators

Plant at least 3 or more of one kind of plant together to provide larger drifts of color to attract pollinators

Form a weed barrier by planting natives closer together instead of using mulch or landscape fabric

Save garden clean up until spring! Pollinators overwinter in different life stages

Mountain Laurel Pennsylvania State Flower Facts

Chosen as state flower in 1933 by Governor Gifford Pinchot Shrub that grows 4 to 10 feet high and blooms late May through June

DCNR



Not an easy to grow landscaping plant, has particular soil needs

All parts of shrub are toxic to people and animals

Host plant for the Laurel Sphinx Moth

Attracts butterflies, hummingbirds, and other pollinators



Considered one of the most beautiful native flowering shrubs Provides shelter for birds and small mammals in winter

native flowering shrubs mammals in win Ways to Help Eastern **MONARCHS**



- Plant native nectar plants that bloom in the spring, summer, and fall in a sunny area.
- Plant the caterpillar host plant milkweed (butterfly weed Asclepias tuberosa, common milkweed Asclepias syriaca, swamp milkweed Asclepias incarnata).

Avoid using herbicides and pesticides. Find organic ways to garden.

Enhance monarch habitat by providing water and a place to shelter with dense patches of wildflowers and shrubs.

Participate in citizen science opportunities where you can help track monarch sightings in spring and fall.

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