

Slate BeltTown Topics

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Living Paycheck to Paycheck Living Diaper to Diaper



By Jessica Grose, NY Times

If your child is not potty trained, how many diapers do you have on hand right now? That's a question I certainly wouldn't have been able to answer with any specificity when my children were babies. But it's a question that parents who struggle to afford the expense — about \$70-\$80 per month, per baby — can answer easily, because managing diaper need is among their most significant anxieties.

That's what a new study from Jennifer Randles, an associate professor of sociology at California State University, Fresno, has found. She talked to women who didn't just track the number of diapers they had at any time; they tracked their baby's urine output down to the ounce. As Maria, a mom of four, told Dr. Randles: "Diapers is the no. 1 concern for me right now because I don't want to struggle more, so I have to think about this stuff in this way, and I can't go over my daily limit. It's hard living paycheck to paycheck, living diaper to diaper."

Over half of the 70 women Dr. Randles interviewed said they were more stressed about affording diapers than they were about affording food, housing or electricity. (She attempted to recruit fathers for this study as well, but even after explicitly looking for dads who manage their children's diaper needs, she could find only three willing participants.)

Diaper need is an under-researched topic, Dr. Randles said, but studies have suggested that somewhere between 29 percent and 36 percent of families struggle to afford diapers. The need is so significant, and it causes outsized stress, because diapers are not subsidized by the major anti-poverty programs: WIC (the Women, Infants, and Children program) covers formula and other foods for pregnant women, mothers of young children and children under 5; and SNAP (the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or food stamps) covers other nutrition.

Parents who have not experienced diaper need may have trouble understanding how much time, energy and effort goes into the process of accessing diapers, Dr. Randles said. Some blithely suggest that families should just use cloth diapers, which is "completely oblivious to the actual lived circumstances" of these mothers, some of whom are working multiple jobs, may not have in-home washers and dryers, and might even live in shelters, because they do not have housing.

Slate Belt Weather

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Bangor Boys Quarterfinal Game

The Bangor Slater Boys state quarterfinal game will be played at Archbishop Ryan, 11201 Academy road, Philadelphia, Friday 7:30 PM. Game will be televised live on SECTV Channel 902.

Women in American History Heritage Centre Facebook Tonight

March is Women's History Month, and the Slate Belt Heritage Center is commemorating that in a monthly presentation, "Women's Roles in American History and Culture." This will be posted on their Facebook page Thursday, March 18.

While many articles you read will focus on a specific woman or women, their presentation will be looking at the bigger picture, namely, what was women's life like throughout our country's history? The presentation will look first at how Hollywood has created false images and how those false images affect how we look at our own past.

Then, viewers will take a journey through the centuries, from the 1700's to the present, looking at the wide variety of opportunities and obstacles that impacted women's lives, including the legal system, which has played a major role in the lives of women over the centuries. The presenter will be Cheryl Statham, retired Director of Education and Programming at Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm.

Prepare to rethink what you know, and learn the actual history.

Local Vaccine Clinic Saturday

Wind Gap Community Pharmacy (610)-881-4260 is holding a First dose COVID 19 Vaccine Clinic for Northampton, Monroe, Carbon and Lehigh County Residents Saturday March 20, 2021 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm only at the Wind Gap Social Hall 111 North Broadway Wind Gap across from Wind Gap Post Office. You must have phase 1A qualifications to receive the vaccine. No exceptions!

Clever Girl Winery Friday Dinner With Rustica Artisan Catering

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

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

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

Blue Lotus Wellness Center

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

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

Vendor/Craft Show

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

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

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

Outdoor Event - Rain or Shine. Food and Drinks For Space Info contact, Aundrea Morrison 610-984-7101 or email bdjm@gmail.com



Story Walk at Jacobsburg

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

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

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

Slate Belt Y Child Care

The Greater Valley YMCA has announced the expansion of its child care offerings at its Slate Belt location. Beginning March 15, the Y will offer care for toddlers and preschool children ages 2 through 5 in its newly-constructed child care wing.

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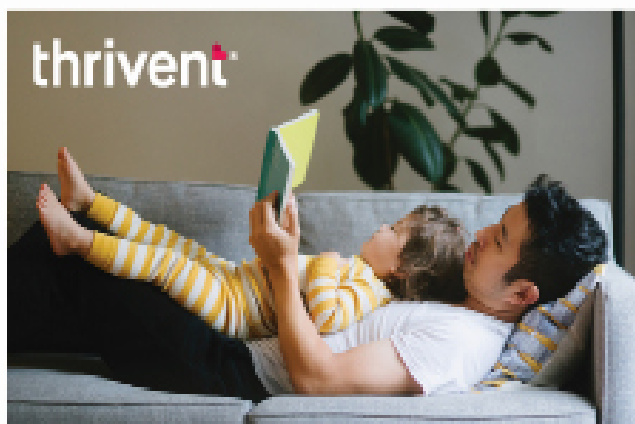
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Mission of Love Food Bank Free Box Food Meals

- Distribution 3/8, 3/15, 3/22 4-6pm
- Pick up Location at Waste Management
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Saturday, April 17 at 9:00am to 5:00pm

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

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

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

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

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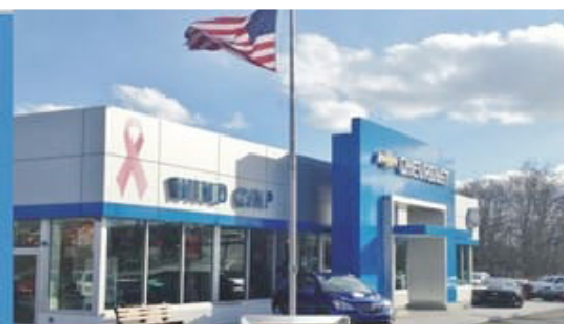
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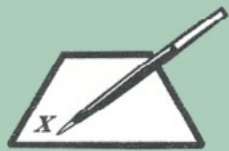
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PUMP Needs Your Help

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

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

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

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

Weona Anniversary Book

Purchase the 100th Anniversary History Book of Weona Park as a nostalgic present for a loved Pen Argyl resident.

Loaded with tons of photographs and information and lovingly put together by Walt Cole. Please contact the author at 610-863-6472. Checks payable to Pen Argyl Park and Athletic Association. Mailing options available

Cellar Door in Belvidere

Have you ever heard of The Cellar Door? It is a small business located in Belvidere, NJ.

They carry so many fantastic items including Candleman Creations LLC candles and wax melts!

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St. Peter's In-Person Worship

Due to continued decrease in COVID Cases across the state, Governor Wolf's lifting of some restrictions and local school district reopening full time, Council approved to resume in-person worship starting March 21.

State Food Assistance

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

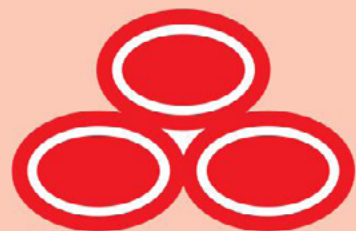
"Pennsylvania's food assistance programs were built for times like these and no one should be too shy to take advantage of what they have to offer," said Russell Redding, secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

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

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

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

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



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Slate Belt Chamber Offers Scholarships

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

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

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

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

Applications must be received by April 15, 2021

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.

Unwanted Med Disposal

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

Most municipal buildings in Northampton County, including the Courthouse at 669 Washington St. in Easton, offer collections for unused prescription medication. In the Slate Belt go to ...

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Slate Belt Regional Police 6292 Sullivan Trail, Naz.

316 Marketplace in Wind Something For Everyone

The new Marketplace 316 in Wind Gap is impressive. It offers a place for Local Antiques and Collectables, Artisans, Resellers & Foods, only found in Wind Gap.

J's Royal Family, Unique Finds, Flay'd Meats, Candy Pickers, and Uncle Chuck's & Son's Furniture are just few of many vendors.

Despite the COVID 19 pandemic, Marketplace 316 opened July 4th to the delight of avid flea marketers.

The North Broadway location is a huge improvement over the former Wind Gap Flea Market. The new Flea Market appears to be twice the size it was a few years ago, allowing far more vendors to set up shop.

Although I'm not a weekend, flea market junkie, I occasionally enjoy going to Saylorsburg, Jake's on Route 100, Adamstown, PA and a place in Front Royal, Va. I'm happy to say that I am definitely adding Marketplace 316 to my list of favorites.

Hotline for Human Services

Northampton County has a 24-hour Emergency hotline for all Human Services-related emergencies. Anyone struggling with a mental health crisis, abuse, neglect, suicidal thoughts, evictions, substance abuse, food insecurity, etc. can call 610-252-9060 for help and referrals.

County Assistance

In light of Pennsylvania's eviction moratorium expiring on August 31st, Lamont McClure reminds residents that Northampton County has approximately \$3.6 million available for rental assistance, rapid rehousing and utility payments. The Department of Human Services and the Department of Community and Economic Development worked together to develop the Community Mediation and Eviction Diversion Program (CMED). CMED offers experienced mediators, emergency financial assistance and rapid rehousing to prevent homelessness. Contact: Third Street Alliance at 610-438-1763 or email Ziana Keith at zkeith@thirdstreetalliance.org

Teacher Vaccinations

St. Luke's University Health Network is expediting COVID-19 vaccine access to area education employees.

To qualify for expedited access, education employees must meet Pennsylvania's Phase 1a eligibility criteria (age 16-64 with high-risk conditions, or anyone 65 and older) and have indicated their employer on their St. Luke's MyChart account.

St. Luke's has committed to providing area school districts with a portion of available appointments while continuing to provide equitable distribution to the remainder of those eligible in Phase 1A

Educator Employee Vaccine Information:

St. Luke's COVID-19 Vaccination Information: www.sluhn.org/vaccine

MyChart Questions:

Eligible educators are encouraged to log in or create a St. Luke's MyChart account. Questions related to MyChart can be answered by calling 1-866-STLUKES (785-8537), option 5. Please note that due to an overwhelming activity of phone calls you may be placed on a call-back list.

Weona Park Pool Study

To read about Pen Argyl's Pool Feasibility study [CLICK HERE](#)

Blood Donors Needed

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

Food Pantry

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

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



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Lenten Services

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church and Salem UMC Church of Danielsville are holding mid-week Lenten services Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom. Go to www.ebumc.org to log-in.

Aging Agency Call Line

Lamont McClure and the Area Agency on Aging Division (AAA) are operating a call line on Friday mornings for Northampton County Seniors to make appointments for COVID-19 vaccinations. This service is intended for those who lack computer or internet access. AAA staff members will make 100 appointments per clinic date.

Vaccination clinics will be held at the Wind Creek Event Center at 77 Wind Creek Blvd. Bethlehem, PA.

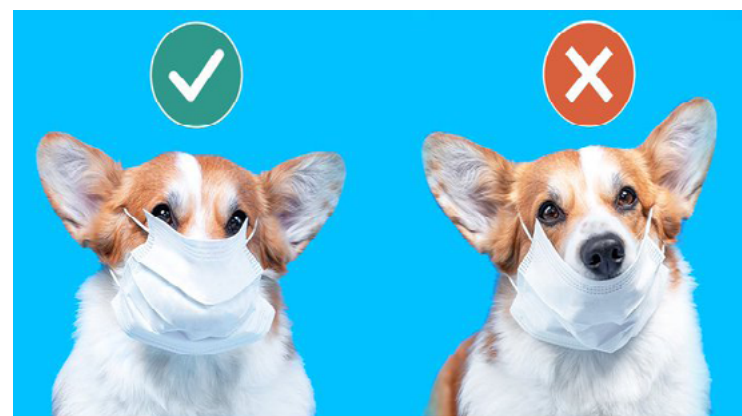
Residents of Bethlehem City and Northampton County who are age sixty-five and older can call 610-865-7092 to schedule an appointment for a vaccination. AAA employees will also assist with registration at the Wind Creek clinics.

Bangor Library Lego Challenge

The Lego Challenge is here! This month's theme is going to be food!

The Lego Challenge is for all kids aged 12 and under! Build us your best food item and then take a picture of it! Send us a picture through the library's email.

All pictures must be in by March 20th! Pictures will be posted on March 22, and the food that gets the most votes wins !! Please include kids name and age. No names will be posted on the Facebook page



BMCL Mr. Pastie Fundraiser

The Blue Mountain Community Library is sponsoring a Mr. Pastie Fundraiser. Tickets will be able to purchase beginning March 1 through April 17, 2021. The choices available are: Beef with Onion, Beef without Onion, Chicken and Veggie. The price per Pastie is \$6.00.

Call the library at 610-863-3029 to place an order. Payment must be received by cash or check, and tickets will be mailed to you or available to pick up at the Library, 216 S. Robinson Ave., Pen Argyl, PA.

Each ticket is good for 1 pastie (Frozen or Freshly Baked). Tickets will be able to be redeemed beginning Sat., May 1 through Sat., July 31, 2021 at Mr. Pastie, 10 Bell Ave., Pen Argyl, PA.

Visit their website at www.bmcl.org or our Facebook page for more information. Please consider supporting your Library by participating in this fundraiser and helping a local business as well.

Girl Scout Troop 874 Blood Drive

Girl Scout Troop 874 is hosting a local blood drive at the VFW Post 739 at 202 Veterans Drive just off Route 191 south of Bangor on Monday, March 29 from 11am - 4pm.

Contact Anne Rausch Wagner to sign up or follow link to sign up directly. Appointments are required.

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Each donor receives a box of Girl Scout Cookies as a thank you.

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Lehigh Valley Walk for Life

What better way to reflect on all that God has done through Bright Hope over the past 40 years than to go for a walk with purpose? Their 40th Anniversary Walk for Life fundraising goal is \$40,000. The funds raised will go towards supporting the ongoing client services in their clinics including pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, STI testing, prenatal vitamins as well as virtual and in-person ongoing education classes on pregnancy, parenting, healthy relationships and life skills.

This year, due to continued COVID-19 restrictions, they will be holding The Lehigh Valley Walk for Life in-person and virtually on Saturday, May 1st at 9:00am.

The in-person Walk for Life will take place at The Bethlehem Township Community Center at Pavilion one. Attendance to the in-person walk is capped at 125 people and you must register in advance. Masks will be required.

For those who feel more comfortable walking virtually, we completely understand. Please still register and be sure to mark yourself as a virtual walker. We will get a sponsorship form to you electronically or by mail. Please take photos and share them with us the day of the event!

Everyone who registers for our 40th Anniversary Walk for Life will receive a t-shirt for participating -- both in person and virtually. Please be sure to mark your t-shirt size when you register.

To join us for our 40th Anniversary Lehigh Valley Walk for Life, register by clicking this link <https://secure.ministrysync.com/ministrysync/event/?e=21362> or calling 610-821-4000 and ask for Amity.

Filetown Road Closure

The Filetown Road (S.R. 1006) Bridge will be closed and have a detour plan in place from Monday, March 22, 2021 to Monday, August 16, 2021. Please note that this is a Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) project, and it will not be managed by Plainfield Township officials.

Spring Business Showcase

A Spring Business Showcase and Yard Sale will be held June 12 at 1310 Blue Valley Dr., Pen Argyl behind Pets Plus/Ignite Fitness.

Enjoy shopping with your Slate Belt Business owners as well as their yard sale vendors!

Spaces are \$20 for SBCC members, \$25 for non SBCC member..

Future Master Watershed Steward Camp

Tuesday-Friday, June 15-18 at 9:00am to 12:00pm

Youth ages 13-18 are invited to join DCNR at Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center and Penn State Extension Master Watershed Steward Volunteers for the Future Master Watershed Steward Day Camp program! Youth will learn about the environment, water resources management, and complete a stream-side service project along the Bushkill Creek.

Youth will participate in science based activities that focus on local watersheds and waterways with plenty of opportunities to get hands-on and participate in field investigations. Upon completion of the program, participants will receive a certificate and are eligible for 2 hours of service toward High School community service requirements.

This free program will be held outdoors and will only take place if there is a change in the current COVID-19 guidelines.

Updates regarding COVID-19 guidelines will be provided to registered participants via email. This camp is Tuesday, June 15th, Wednesday, June 16th, Thursday, June 17th, and Friday, June 18th from 9:00am - 12:00pm each day. Registration required.

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

Grab & Go Paint & Plant Spring Kids Workshop

*An alternative to an in-person
workshop for ages 3 & up*

- Kit includes: A craft to paint -age appropriate (birdhouse, bug habitat, butterfly house, or wind chime.) Also includes: 6 pots, 3 plants, seeds, soil & directions).
- The Easter Bunny will make an appearance on Friday 4/2 for pickup and pictures. (time to be determined).
- Can't make it Friday? The Easter Bunny will deliver it to your home on Saturday 4/3 (some restrictions & delivery fee applies).
- Ginder Greenhouse 558 Lake Minsi Dr., Bangor, 610-588-0222
- gindergreenhouse@gmail.com
- Pickup time to be scheduled Price: \$25.00
- Delivery Charge: \$5 (within 10 miles of greenhouse) \$10 (11-20 miles from greenhouse) (delivery is limited & available on 1st come basis).
- Payment Method: on-line—www.gindergreenhouse.com
- Social distancing & masks are required when visiting the garden center.

East Bangor UMC

136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512) East Bangor

Sat., March 13

-8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Sun., March 14

-10:00 a.m. Worship Live & on Zoom

Wed., March 17

-6:30 p.m. Lenten Service on Zoom

Thurs., March 18

-7:00 p.m. Bible Study on Zoom

Slate Belt Y Child Care

Exciting news! At the Y, they offer safe, accredited, enriching child care, and at the Slate Belt and Suburban North Branches, their child care offerings are growing.

The Slate Belt Branch's program will provide care for toddlers and preschoolers beginning March 15, and our Suburban North Branch's preschool program is reopening. Learn more here: <https://bit.ly/2xkGpS5>

Thomas Greenhouse

Thomas Greenhouse & Country Store is opening Friday March 19th

They are so excited to show everyone what new items they will have available

Greenhouse is full with many varieties of annuals, perennials, Hangers, Herbs, vegetables and More. Check back for daily updates.

Trout Season Starts in April

Mark your calendars for the statewide opening of trout season on Saturday, April 3, at 8:00 A.M. There will be no regional opening this year. Anglers have two more weeks to enjoy trout fishing statewide

Where To Eat

Little Creek BBQ

Hours: Thurs, Fri & Sat 2-7. Sun. 12-5. Closed Mon, Tue, Wed. 610-588-3831. Info: [Click Here](#)

Sal's Pizza

Sal's Pizza 487 E. Moorestown Road, Wind Gap. 610-863-7665. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Doughboys

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. More Info: [Click Here](#)

512 Restaurant

512 Restaurant 2 East Pennsylvania Ave, Pen Argyl. 610-881-4540. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Detzi's Tavern

Detzi's Tavern 570 North Lehigh Ave., Wind Gap. 863-9882. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Slate Pub

Slate Pub 509 E. Main St., Pen Argyl. 610-881-4700. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Broadway Pub

Broadway Pub 62 Broadway, Bangor. 610-452-9226. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Boar Barbecue

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

Five Points Grill & Pub

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

M & M Vineyards

M & M Vineyards 18 Shepherds Hill Dr. Bangor. See their website at. <http://mmvineyards.com>

Legion Baseball Sign-Ups

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

(Can not turn 19 before January 1, 2021)

And must live in the Bangor area School District.

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

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

Dinky's

Dinky's Ice Cream Parlor Rte 191 and Broadway in Bangor. More info [Click Here](#)

Clever Girl Winery

Clever Girl Winery's 15 Broadway in Bangor (484) 484-8907 www.clevergirlwinery.com/

Napoli Pizza

Dine-In, pick up & delivery. 610-588-1455, 444 S 1st St, Bangor. [Click Here](#)

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Slate Belt Diner

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

Daisy Family Restaurant

6589 Sullivan Trail Wind Gap, (610) 863-4044. More info: [Click Here](#)

Three Brothers Pizza

Three Brothers Pizza at Plainfield Diner, Sullivan Trail. 610-863-4950 .More Info: [Click Here](#)

Mt. Bethel Diner

570-897-6409, 2600 N. Delaware Drive, Mt. Bethel, Pa 18343. More Info: [Click Here](#)

Family & Friends

610-759-7477. Rt 512 Wind Gap. More info: [Click Here](#)

Gap Diner

Rt. 512 Wind Gap. More info: [Click Here](#)

TK's Restaurant

570-897-6112. Rt 611, Mt. Bethel More info: [Click Here](#)

Fuher's Tavern & Grill

104 Main St., Portland (570) 897-5590.

Annual Tack Swap

On Saturday, April 10, 2021, the annual tack swap or "equine garage sale" will be held at the Northampton County 4-H Center, Nazareth, PA.

The tack swap will be held from 11 AM - 2 PM; vendors will start setting up after 9 AM. The public is invited to attend. Masks are required and Social Distancing is enforced.

The Northampton County 4-H Center is located at 777 Bushkill Center Rd., 2.2 miles south of Rte. 512 from the traffic light for Bushkill Center Rd. or 3 miles north of Nazareth on Bushkill Center Rd.

There will be new and used items for sale for all horse interests and disciplines. Also there will be horse crafts, Breyer model horses, clothing, and other horse related items. All indoor sale areas are pre-sold; sellers wishing an outside space, the areas are on a first-come the day of the swap. There are no consignments. No live animals are permitted; no dogs permitted.

Limited food, courtesy of the Northampton Cty. 4-H Center, will be available during the sale hours. This is a rain or shine event; being held inside their non-heated buildings and outside.



TRICKY TRAY FOR THERESA WINELANDER

Theresa has recently lost her battle to stage 4 cervical cancer. She was only 27 years old with 2 children, a 10-year-old son & a 2-year-old daughter. Join us in raising money for her children and to help cover her expenses.



**LOTS OF BASKETS/PRIZES
INCLUDING HIGH-VALUE ITEMS
FOOD AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!**

PLEASE JOIN US!

**APRIL 25, 2021
DOORS OPEN 1PM**

**East Bangor Park
Park Road, East Bangor**

Valor Volunteers Needed

Have you been looking for a way to give back to your community and the men and women who have served our country? Please consider Volunteering for VALOR Clinic Foundation!

Assistance is needed in many areas, cleaning, cooking, yard work, administrative work, inventory, sorting, packing trucks, fundraising and so much more. DO you have a skill that you want to use and share?

Many of their volunteer needs can be done right at Paul's House, others can be done in your own home or out in the community.

Volunteer meetings held the first Monday Of every month.

We appreciate it even if you can spare an hour or two a week. They are located 1130 Scenic Drive, Kunkletown.

To volunteer call 570-664-6468



Barnes Petting Zoo in Mt. Bethel

Welcome to Barnes Yard Petting Zoo! We are the home of the Rainbow Ponies. We serve the Lehigh Valley, New Jersey and beyond for all of your petting zoo and pony needs. Our goal is to take the "what is that?" factor out of the common equation that is human beings living in harmony with animals. PO Box 322 Mount Bethel PA 18343 (570) 269-3361 barnesyrdpettingzoo@gmail.com

East Bangor United Methodist Community Church

136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512) East Bangor,

Sat., March 20

-8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Sun., March 21

-10:00 a.m. Worship Live & on Zoom

Wed., March 24

-6:30 p.m. Lenten Service on Zoom

Thurs., March 25

Slate Belt Rising Scholarships

Slate Belt Rising, a program of Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley, announced it is now accepting applications for its 2021 Scholarship Program. The \$500 scholarships are available to high school seniors who have been accepted at a four-year university/college, community college, technical school, or entering the workforce in a trade; as well as adults continuing their education. Applicants must reside in the Bangor Area School District or Pen Argyl School District.

Applicants are required to submit an application, two letters of recommendation, and official school transcripts. Scholarship funds must be used exclusively for tuition at post-secondary educational institutions that normally maintain a regular faculty and curriculum, and for fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for courses at such institutions, for room and board expenses payable to the institution, or for the purchase of tools for a student entering the workforce in a trade.

Columbia Lenten Dinners Continue March 19

Lenten dinners continue at Columbia Fire Co. March 19. Call Ken Tillman @ 610-659-0130 to make your reservations. Reservations are required for each seating 5:00, 5:30, 6:15, 6:45 & 7:30. Start calling on Monday March 15. Take outs on a limited basis. Call 610-588-0597 starting at 5:00pm, Friday March 19th. Everyone please follow CDC guidelines and wear a mask when entering the firehouse.

Blue Mountain Community Library Book Sale

The Blue Mountain Community Library will hold a Half-Price Book Nook Sale on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and 6:00 pm-8:00 pm.

Anyone wishing to come into the Library must call for a scheduled appointment. 30 minutes time slots will be assigned with a maximum of 3 people per time slot. The book nook is located on the second floor of the library at 216 S. Robinson Ave., Pen Argyl, PA.

The phone number is 610-863-3029. Masks are required and gloves will be given at the library. Cash and checks will be accepted. Please no \$50 bills. For more information, visit their BMCL website at www.bmcl.org or find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/bmclpenargyl.

Vendors for Sweets & Treats Trail

They are looking for vendors for the May 16 sweets and treats trail in downtown Bangor for Mother's Day. You buy a ticket and go from store to vendor to store and try a different chocolate treat and then it gets judged at the end similar to a chilly trail. They want to have lots of vendors and music. If interested reach out to hbbapa@gmail.com.

Daily Weather Updates
slatebeltweather.com