



### Pen Argyl Parade Leader Jerry DeLong Celebrating His 80th Birthday

by Larry Corv

If you have lived in Pen Argyl during the past 50 years or so, it's very likely that you have met, or at the very least, have learned about Jerry DeLong's contribution to the Pen Argyl Labor Day parade sponsored by Lookout Fire Co. #1 of Pen Argyl. where Jerry is also an honorary member. Saturday 2-4pm, the fire company will honor Jerry on his 80th birthday

According to a news release from Lookout, "Jerry is a simple man who has two prized possessions: his bicycle, which he rides to his borough hangouts and to lead the parade, and his tobacco pipe, which he is rarely without."

at the Fire Company's Banquet Hall adjacent to Weona Park on Route 512.

When this writer had an office in the early 2000s on West Pennsylvania Avenue (Rt. 512) the week wouldn't be complete without a visit from Jerry. When I picked up our daily mail at the Pen Argyl Post Office, Jerry could often be seen hanging out at Black's across the street.

Jerry's parade experience goes back 57 years to 1966 when he was,

according to a story in the Morning Call, voted the "Best Clown" in the Bangor Halloween Parade.

A few years later, he was given a special award for riding a "Decorated Bike" in the Pen Argyl Labor Day parade. He received subsequent awards in 1982, 1983, 1987, and 1992.

Another story in the Morning Call from September 1992 confirmed that Jerry would continue his role of leading the parade. Some area residents say that his leadership goes back even further, perhaps as long as 50 years.

The affection the Fire Co. shares with Jerry is reflected in the following Fire Co. statement from July 2016: "We are asking that everyone keep our very own Honorary Member Jerry DeLong in their thoughts. The other night while on his way home on his bike, Jerry fell and was injured. The injuries he suffered did require surgery. We are happy to report he is doing well and is in good spirits. Now please help us and show your support for this Pen Argyl Icon, and most importantly, the official starter of our Labor Day Parade."

### SLATERS, KNIGHTS SEEK DISTRICT GOLD

#### Bangor 30 Pocono Mt. East 28

Bangor's Kyleena Gonzalez made seven of eight free throws in the final quarter and earlier connected twice from behind the arc to lead Bangor to a 30-28 comeback win over Pocono Mountain East in a Class 5A Semi-final game played at Pleasant Valley Wednesday.

Bangor will play Bethlehem Catholic at Easton Middle School Saturday at 1:00 pm for the District Championship. Regardless of the outcome of Saturday's match-up the Slaters will advance to the state tourney.

As a team Bangor made 10 0f 16 from the line in the final period and 14 of 29 throughout.

Bangor trailed 18-15 going into the final period, but Gonzalez's three free throws put Bangor ahead 29-28 with 3 seconds left. Madeline Stout made one final free throw for a 30-28 final.

**Bangor Scoring**: Stout 5, Figurski 0, Escuardo 0, Pinter 7, Gonzalez 13, Toth 5, Polowy 0.

**3-Pointers:** Gonzalez 2.

**Pocono Mt. East Scoring**: Shaheen 10, L. McLain 0 Maldonado 2, **Snyder3,** H. McLain 0, Imhoff 0,Days 0 Soller 4 **3-Pointers**:Shaheen 2, Snyder 1.

**Bangor** ... 5 6 4..... BD

**PME**..... 11 .5.... 28 2 10

**Pen Argyl** will face Palmerton for the District XI 3A championship 6:00 pm tonight at Whitehall. The Green Knights will also play in the state tourney.



Kyleena Gonzalez



#### **Free Breads And Sweets**

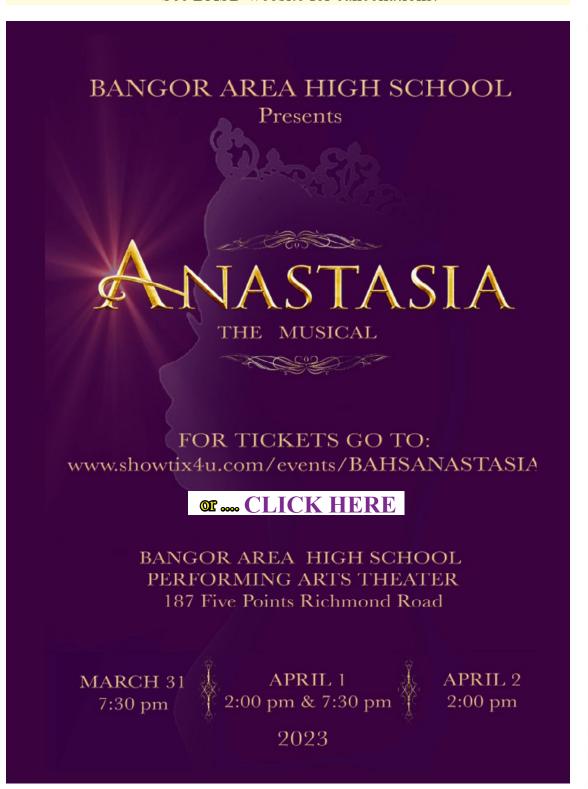
Free breads and sweets are now available, two per person delivered every Wednesday and Friday at the shop in Nifty 'n Thrifty 31 and 38 Broadway, Bangor.

**Royal Pancake Breakfast** 

The Bangor High School Drama Department will be hosting the eighth annual pancake breakfast Saturday, March 11 from 8am to 11am with the cast of "Anastasia" at the Bangor Area High School cafeteria. Anastasia tells the story of the mystery surrounding a young woman thought to be the Russian princess that may have escaped the Bolshevik's assignation of the Romanov family. It's a wonderful musical filled with mystery, intrigue, suspense, and many heartwarming moments.

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- Musical Performances
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- Raffles
- 50/50
- Activities for Children of All Ages
- Questions? Call or Text Jen Fassl, 908-727-0090
- Tickets can be pre-ordered or purchased at the door.
- \$10 Ages 12 & Up, \$8 Ages 3-11, 2 years & younger free.
- Breakfast Pre-Order Form due no later than March 3, 2023.
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  See BASD website for cancellations.



#### Cookbooks in the Book Nook

Do you like to cook or collect cookbooks? If so, stop into the Blue Mt. Community Library, located at 216 S. Robinson Ave. Pen Argyl and browse through the Book Nook. Along with many adult and children's gently used books and puzzles, there is a large collection of cookbooks available to purchase. The library is open M-Sa, 10:00 am to Noon, and M & Th 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Membership is not needed to purchase items in the Book Nook, but is free to all residents of the Pen Argyl Area School District. Nonresidents may join for a small yearly fee. The library also has Pen Argyl yearbooks available to buy. Call 610-863-3029 or visit our Facebook page or website at www.bmcl.org. for information about the library

Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

A Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner will be held at Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, 703 S. Delaware Dr. (Route 611), Mt. Bethel (Stone Church) on Saturday, March 11th from 3:30 pm to 7 pm. All you can eat meal includes dinner, water & dessert. Dine In or Take Out. For additional information call Chrissy at 610-588-0809.

**Roseto Easter Bunny** 

Start planning now and mark your calendars. The Easter Bunny is coming to Roseto Ball Park April 1 at 11am. We also have coffee, juice and breakfast sandwiches available for purchase.

Age groups include: 0-3, 4-6, 7-10. Prize eggs in each group. The Easter Bunny will be there.



#### Come Join us for a fun-filled event of Trick Hoops & Alley - Oops!

When you're in the stands, you're not just a spectator; you're apart of the fun show. Come and experience a magical display of tricks, coordinated ball handling, fancy passing and aerodynamic athletics combined with high-energy comedy and audience interaction. It's the Harlem Wizards vs. Slater All-Stars

DATE: Friday, March 3rd TIME: 7pm (doors open at 6pm)

Location: Bangor Area High School Gym (187 Five Points Richmond Rd)

All proceeds benefit the Bangor Area Middle School PTSO (Parent, Teacher, Student Organization)

Benchwarmer tickets \$95 Courtside plus tickets \$50 Reserved seats \$30 General admission \$20 Students \$15



Children 3 and under sitting on parents lap are free

To Buy Tickets Online Use The QR Code or: CLICK HERE

For more Info: Kim @ 484-241-0441 or Debbie @ 610-751-7692 bamsptso@gmail.com









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#### **Slate Belt 7-Day Weather Forecast**

#### Rain/Snow 44 Today ... Rain Early, Cloudy 44 Saturday

**National Weather Service Forecast - 6am Today** 

**Today,** A chance of rain between 2pm and 5pm, then a chance of snow after 5pm. Increasing clouds, with a high near 44. North wind 5 to 10 mph becoming southeast in the afternoon. Chance of precipitation is 30%. Total daytime snow accumulation of less than a half inch possible.

Tonight, Rain, snow, and sleet before 10pm, then rain and sleet between 10pm and 11pm, then rain after 11pm. The sleet could be heavy at times. Low around 32. Breezy, with an east wind 15 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph. Chance of precipitation is 100%. New snow and sleet accumulation of less than one inch possible.

**Saturday,** A chance of rain, mainly between 8am and noon. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 44. West wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30%. New precipitation amounts between a tenth and quarter of an inch possible.

**Saturday Night,** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 28. Northwest wind 5 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Sunday, Mostly sunny, with a high near 49. Northwest wind 5 to 15 mph.

Sunday Night, Partly cloudy, with a low around 29.

Monday, Mostly sunny, with a high near 53.

**Monday Night**, A chance of showers after 1am. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 35. Chance of precipitation is 40%.

Tuesday, Mostly cloudy, with a high near 49.

**Tuesday Night,** Partly cloudy, with a low around 29.

Wednesday, Partly sunny, with a high near 44. Breezy.

Wednesday Night, Partly cloudy, with a low around 26.

Thursday, Mostly cloudy, with a high near 44.



#### **Special Events**

#### **PUBLISH YOUR EVENT**

To publish info about your event, e-mail sbtopics@rcn.com Please send in text form. Do not send photos of text.

#### March 3

#### Feeder Watch Monitoring

You must have already participated in Birds and Bagels - Citizen Science and Monitor Training to register for this volunteer opportunity. Volunteer as a citizen scientist to observe and record bird observations at Jacobsburg's feeders. You can choose what times you would like to monitor between the hours of 8:30AM- 3:30PM, all day commitment is not required. Register here to let us know what hours you are available to monitor.

Thursday, March 3 at 8:30am to 3:30pm Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center 400 Belfast Rd, Nazareth, PA 18064

https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events ?order=date&search=jacobsburg

#### March 5

#### Free Dinner

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church welcomes you to a FREE "Chicken/Sausage Fettucini Alfredo" Dinner on Sunday, March 5th, from 4:00-4:30 p.m. This is TAKE-OUT ONLY. The church is located at 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor, PA Questions? call 610-588-4453 or visit www.ebumc.org.

### **March 6 Pool Pals Meeting**

The Weona Park Pool Pals will meet at 7:00 on Monday, March 6th at the borough hall

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#### Daily Schedule

#### Friday March 3

Bingo - Wind Gap Fire Co., 6:45. Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12

Bangor Public Library - Open 1-8

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

Slate Belt YMCA - Open 5:00am - 9:00pm

#### **Saturday March 4**

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12 Bangor Public Library - Open 10-4 Mission of Love Soup Kitchen - N. Main St., Bangor. 11-2

Slate Belt YMCA - 8-4

Slate Belt Heritage Center - Open 12-3 Hope, Faith & Recovery Group, every Saturday, at A Clean Slate, 118 S. 1st, St. Bangor.

11:30am - 12:30pm

#### **Sunday March 5**

Fellowship Dinner - East Bangor UMC, 4-6. Slate Belt Heritage Center - Open 12-3. Slate Belt YMCA - 10-2

All-You-Can Eat Breaklfast - Bangor Elks 8-12pm. Adults \$10. Kid 6-12 \$6. Under 6 -Free.

#### **Monday March 6**

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm **Bangor Public Library - Open 1-8** 

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

Pen Argyl Sewer Committee - 4:30 P.M. Council Chambers

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

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

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

Portland Borough Council - Borough Hall, 7:00pm

**Pen Argyl Council - 7pm** 

Pen Argyl GFWC - St. John , Pen Argyl, 7pm Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm

Pump - 8:30-11:30

Weona Park Pals - 7pm

Wind Gap Boro Council - 7pm

#### **Tuesday March 7**

**Bangor Public Library** - Open 1-8 Slate Belt Senior Center - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show

**Plainfield Township Planning Commission -**Municipal Building, 7:00 pm.

**Lower Mount Bethel Supervisors - Meets** Centerfield Building - 7pm

Pump - 8:30-11:30

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

#### Wednesday March 8

Bingo - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm. Bingo 6:45 pm.

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12

Bangor Public Library - Open 1-8

LMBT Recreation Board - 7pm, Centerfield building

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

Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm Wind Gap Zoning - 7pm

#### Thursday March 9

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm **Bangor Public Library** - Open 10-8 Slate Belt Senior Center - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show

**Bingo** - Plainfield Fire Co., 6:30pm

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

#### Friday March 10

Bingo - Wind Gap Fire Co., 6:45.

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12

**Bangor Public Library** - Open 1-8

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

Slate Belt YMCA - Open 5:00am - 9:00pm

Saturday March 11

**Blue Mountain Library - 10-12** 

**Bangor Public Library - 10-4** 

Columcille Tours - Free. 9:30-11:30. Meet at Stone circle.

Slate Belt YMCA -8-4

Slate Belt Heritage Center - Open 12-3

Hope, Faith & Recovery Group, every Saturday, at A Clean Slate, 118 S. 1st, St.

Bangor. 11:30am - 12:30pm

#### **Sunday March 12**

Breakfast - Bushkill Volunteer Fire C. 7:30-12:30.

Fellowship Dinner - Breaking Bread soup kitchen, 4:00pm. Cross Road Baptist, Bangor.





#### **Daily Schedule**

**Slate Belt Heritage Center -**Open 12-3.

Slate Belt YMCA - 10-2

#### **Monday March 13**

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

Bangor Public Library - Open

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

**Pen Argyl Sewer Auth.** - 4:30pm (If needed)

Pen Argyl Municipal Auth. - 5pm 12 & 6-8pm (If needed)

**Bangor Borough Council - Meets** Bee Hive Community Center, 7pm

**Portland Council** - 7pm Pump - 8:30-11:30

Meets 7:00pm

**Roseto Borough Council -**Municipal Building, 7:30pm

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

#### **Tuesday March 14**

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

**Bangor Public Library - Open** 

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

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

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

#### **Wednesday March 15**

**Bingo** - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm. Bingo 6:45 pm.

Blue Mountain Library - Open

Bangor Public Library - Open 1-8

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

Supervisors Meet - Municipal Building, 7pm

**Pen Argyl Park Board** - 7pm **Plainfield Township Supervisors** 

- Meets 7:00pm Municipal Building. Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am -8:00pm

**East Bangor Municipal Authority** 

- Municipal Authority Hall, 555 Messinger St., East Bangor, 7:00pm

#### Thursday March 16

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-

Bangor Public Library - Open

**Slate Belt Senior Center - Open** 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show **Bingo** - Plainfield Fire Co., 6:30pm Upper Mount Bethel Supervisors Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am -8:00pm

#### Friday March 17

Bingo - Wind Gap Fire Co., 6:45. Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12

Bangor Public Library - Open 1-8

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

Slate Belt YMCA - Open 5:00am - 9:00pm

#### **Saturday March 18**

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12

**Bangor Public Library - Open** 

Slate Belt YMCA - 8-4 **Slate Belt Heritage Center -**Open 12-3

Hope, Faith & Recovery Group, every Saturday, at A Clean Slate, 118 S. 1st, St. Bangor. 11:30am -12:30pm

#### **Sunday March 19**

**Slate Belt Heritage Center -**Open 12-3.

Slate Belt YMCA - 10-2

#### **Monday March 20**

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

Bangor Public Library - Open

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

**Plainfield Township Planning Commission** - Municipal Building, 7:00 pm.

**Lower Mount Bethel Supervisors** - Meets Centerfield Building - 7pm

Pump - 8:30-11:30

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

#### **Tuesday March 21**

**Bingo** - Portland Fire Co., 7pm. Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm

Bangor Public Library - Open 10-8

**Slate Belt Senior Center - Open** 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show **Mission of Love Food Pantry** & Clothes Closet - N. Main St., Bangor, 10-2

**Roseto Planning Commission -**7:00pm Borough Hall

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

Washing Twsp. Planning -

Wind Gap Boro - Council 7pm

#### Wednesday March 22

Bingo - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm. Bingo 6:45 pm.

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

Bangor Public Library - Open 1-8

**Slate Belt Senior Center - Open** 8-4. Blue Valley Farm Show

**UMBT Planning Commission -**Township Building, 7:30pm

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

#### **Thursday March 23**

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

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

Bangor Public Library - Open

**Slate Belt Senior Center - Open** 8-4. Blue Valley Farm Show

**UMBT Planning Commission -**Township Building, 7:30pm Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am -8:00pmm

#### Friday March 24

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

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

**Bangor Public Library** - Open 1-8

**Slate Belt Senior Center - Open** 8-4. Blue Valley Farm Show **UMBT Planning Commission -**

Township Building, 7:30pm Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am

- 8:00pm

#### **Saturday March 25**

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12

**Bangor Public Library - Open** 10-4

Slate Belt YMCA - 8-4 **Slate Belt Heritage Center -**Open 12-3

Hope, Faith & Recovery Group, every Saturday, at A Clean Slate, 118 S. 1st, St. Bangor. 11:30am -12:30pm

#### **Sunday March 26**

**Fellowship Dinner** - First UMC Bangor, 12:30-1:30.

**Portland Sunday Sundaes - 6:30** - 8:00pm (Summer only)







### SLATE BELT TODAY BY THE NUMBERS

**COPD** 

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Combination of weather factors that can make

one less or more likely to develop a pulmonary

attack. Lower numbers are less while higher

numbers increase the chance.

#### **Temperature**

(Yesterday)

<u>High</u>

Low

36

**32** 

(Today's Forecast

High

Low

**32** 

#### Migraine Headache

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



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

#### **Asthma Index**

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



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

#### Sinus Headache

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



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

#### **Common Cold**

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



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

#### **Air Quality**

**AM Reading** 

**→** Good 0-50

Columbia N.J - 24

Moderate (51-100)

Bethlehem - 36

Allentown - 29

**Bad for Some** 

Monroe - 23

(101-150)

Very Bad 150+

#### **Arthritis Index**

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



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

#### **Cooling Degree Days**

**Yesterday** 

Season

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

#### Rainfall/Snowfall

#### Rain

Snow

Recent - 0.00

Recent - 3.5

Month - 0.29

Month - 3.5

Year - 6.63

Season - 7.50

#### **UV** Index

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



#### No Risk Today

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

#### **Heating Degree Days**

**Yesterday** 

Season

3787

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

#### Sun

**Sunrise** 6:32 AM

**Sunset** 5:54 PM

#### **Pollen-Allergy Forecast**

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



**Top Allergen - Juniper** 

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

#### Flu Index

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



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







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#### SPECIAL EVENTS CONTINUED

social room, 11 N. Robinson Avenue. The meeting will discuss future fundraising activities in our continuing efforts to raise funds for a Weona Park pool. The public is encouraged to attend.

#### March 7

#### **Pool Pals Fundraiser**

The Weona Park Pool Pals will have a fundraising event on Tuesday, March 7th at the Scorecard Sports Bar and Grill located at 130 N. Broadway in Wind Gap. The hours are from 4 PM to 2 AM. Please support their continuing efforts to build a pool.

#### March 8

#### **Lenten Study**

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church will be offering a Lenten Study "Seven Words: Listening to Christ from the Cross." The sessions will be held at 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays from March 1 through April 5. If you would like to participate, please let Pastor Dave know by February 5 so that materials can be ordered. The cost for the study guide is \$10.00. Call 610-588-4453 to sign up.

#### March 11

#### **Volunteer Event**

Bogsucker Search, Invasive Species Removal, and Earth Day Prep

After lopping and chopping invasive species to prepare for our Earth Day tree planting event, we will celebrate our accomplishments with an evening hike to look for courting American Woodcocks. Registration Required.

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- ChocolateMusical Performances
- Photo Opportunities
- Raffles
- 50/50
- Activities for Children of All Ages
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See BASD website for cancellations.

#### March 12

#### **Welsh Day Presentation**

Bangor's Annual Welsh Day Event: "Over Thirty Years of Celebrating Community"

The Slate Belt Heritage Center will hold their monthly historic program on Sunday March 12th @ 2:00 PM. Speaker for the afternoon will be Mr. John Reinhart, President of the St. David's Welsh Society whose topic will be: "Bangor's Annual Welsh Day Event: Over Thirty Years of Celebrating Community".

Diverse American communities have thrived throughout history by celebrating that diversity and working toward beneficial projects and goals. For over thirty years,

Bangor's Welsh Day events drew thousands of visitors to the Slate Belt resulting in economic, cultural, and political gains for many in the region. Through pictures, artifacts and first-hand accounts, you will see just how influential these events were and how busy Labor Day weekends became in the Slate Belt.

The event is free and open to the public. The Heritage Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA. For additional information contact: Karen Brewer @ 484-894-5661.

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#### March 18

#### St. Patrick's Day & 3rd Annual Wineaversary Celebration

You won't want to miss this celebration Saturday March 18 2023 at noon.! Participate in a pie-eating contest, or a hook-and-ring competition. We will also have a Leprechaun Token Toss and as part of your admission you will receive 10 free tokens and a spin on the prize wheel giving you the chance to win prizes! You won't want to miss this fantastic event! Be sure to get your tickets on Eventbrite and save \$5 on the cost of admission.

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#### Hike for Health

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.

Wednesday, March 22 at 5:30pm to 7:00pm. More dates through October 4, 2023. Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center 400 Belfast Rd, Nazareth, PA 1806

#### March 24

#### Family Science Night - Tantalizing Timberdoodles

The 'sky dance' or courtship display of the American Woodcock is a spectacle which is known to take place at Jacobsburg each year. This program will cover some of the interesting biology of the American Woodcock followed by a quiet meander at sunset as we look and listen for these twirling courtship flights. Registration is Required.

Friday, March 24 at 6:30am to 8:00pm. Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center, 400 Belfast Rd, Nazareth, PA 18064

https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?orde r=date&search=jacobsburg

#### March 25

### **Camp Papillon Animal Shelter Fund Raiser**

Camp Papillon Animal Shelter presents a Wise Crackers comedy fundraiser located at Mountain View Vineyard in Stroudsburg, PA on Saturday, March 25, 2023 at 7:30 PM!

Doors will open at 6:30 PM. There will be a cash bar, food and a tricky tray. Tickets are \$30 each. Seating is limited so make sure to snag your chance to see three comedians fast!

You must be 18 years or older to attend.

To purchase tickets go to www.camppapillon. org or contact Sami Ely at 570-730-9226

#### **Trees in Early Spring**

Join us to learn how to identify trees without their leaves. We'll use bark, buds, branches, and other clues to help us differentiate common species found growing in Pennsylvania. Please wear warm layers and comfortable walking shoes. Registration is required.

Saturday, March 25 at 3:00pm to 4:30pm.

Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center, 400 Belfast Rd, Nazareth, PA 18064.

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#### **Celestial Wildlife**

Did you know that the night sky is filled with all sorts of wildlife? Join us for this nighttime adventure as we use our imagination and search the sky for bears, lions, dogs, bulls and even dragons!

Please dress warmly and wear sturdy shoes. Bring a blanket to sit on, a flashlight (with a red filter if available), snack, water, and binoculars if you have them. This program is best for families with children ages 8 years old and up. Please note that the park will not provide telescopes at this program. Registration is required. Registrants will be contacted with the meeting location prior to the event.

Saturday, March 25 at 7:30pm to 9:30pm. Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center 400 Belfast Rd, Nazareth, PA 18064

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#### March 29

#### **Cat Neutering**

No Nonsense Neutering will be offering a cat transport (pets and ferals) down to the Allentown clinic for neutering/vaccinations.March 29

Location for pick up: Pen Argyl Municipal building parking lot Pick up 7am-730am. Drop off 5pm-530 pm Same day.

By appointment. For scheduling details please visit www.nnnlv.org/new-transport

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#### March 30

#### Weekly Weeders

Interested in learning more about gardening with native plants? Volunteer to work alongside our education staff as they mulch, pull weeds, divide plants, and amend soil in the center's native plant garden. We provide instruction, tools, and weeding mats. Registration is required.

Thursday, March 30 at 8:30am to 10:30am. More dates through October 26, 2023

Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center 400 Belfast Rd, Nazareth, PA 18064.

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#### Women Empowerment Group

Women's support/ skill development group where we focus on wellness & mental health over the course of 5 group sessions is planned for A Clean Slate. A safe and trusting group setting where the issues and challenges of women are addressed starting Thursday March 30th 6-7pm

-pre-registration is required

-must commit to attending all sessions Erica Parker, Facilitator: (619) -452-9348 A Clean Slate 118 S. 1st Street, Bangor. info@cleanslatebangor.org

#### **April 1**

#### **PLANTSTOCK**

Blue Flame Events is hosting PLANTSTOCK at the beautiful Stony Run Winery in Breiningsville on April 1st from 12PM to 5PM! We're looking for plant vendors, non-plant related vendors, food trucks, and MORE! To register, simply text (272)-200-8163. The cost is \$40 for an outdoor space.

https://facebook.com/events/s/plantstock/1889244844759015/

#### April 1

#### Roseto Easter Bunny.

Start planning now and mark your calendars. The Easter Bunny is coming to Roseto Ball Park April 1 at 11am. We also have coffee, juice and breakfast sandwiches available for purchase.

Age groups include: 0-3, 4-6, 7-10. Prize eggs in each group.

The Easter Buuny will be there.

#### **Easter Egg Hunt**

Mark your Calendars & Join us for our second Annual Family Day and Free Community Easter Egg Hunt! Aspects by the Barn Our event will be from 10am- 4pm on Saturday, April 1st.

DETAILS: We will have three age groups for an Easter Egg Hunt, Prizes, Photos with the Easter Bunny, Face Painting, several Artisan Vendor Tents in our side parking lot, Food Trucks, Wine Tents, Live Music, a Bounce House, Petting Zoo, In Store Specials & More!

Free Admission but you must register for the Easter Egg Hunt so we know how many kids to expect per age group! Make sure to put your child('s) name and age in the Notes section at registration.

EASTER EGG HUNT: We will have three age groups for our Free Easter Egg Hunt. Ages 1-4 will be at 12:00pm, Ages 5-7 at 12:15pm and Ages 8-12 at 12:30pm. There will be full Easter Basket prizes for each age group!

#### April 5

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#### **Christ Presbyterian Church** of The Slate Belt

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

#### Flicksville UCC

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> Worship at 10:45am Sunday School - 9:30am

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#### Trinity Lutheran Church

404 Broadway Bangor (610-588-2023)

telcbangor@frontier.com Sunday worship 10:30am

**Sunday School:10:15 - 11:30 Holy Communion:** First and Third Sundays Refreshments after. Masks optional.

#### **East Bangor UMC**

136 W. Central Ave. (Rt.512) East Bangor February 25- A.A Meeting 8pm Fenruary 26-9:30 a.m. Worship Service Adult Sunday School 10::30 March 1 - Ash wednesday Service 7pm March 2- Choir Rehearsal (Live & on Zoom) 10:45 Fellowship Hour

#### **Grace Lutheran Church**

5907 Sullivan Trail, Nazareth Pa 18064 www.gracebelfastpa.org 610-759-9080 Email:gracebelfast@rcn.com February 26

9:00 am Holy Communion, 10am Sunday Morning Adventures

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**E-Mail Information to** sbtopics@rcn.com

#### **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.

#### **First United Methodist Church of Bangor**

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

#### **Prince of Peace** Ev. Lutheran Church

2445 Lake Minsi Dr, Bangor popbangor.org poplcbangor@gmail.com Sunday Worship 9:45 am (Weekly Communion) Sunday School 8:30 am

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### 2022 -23 Sports Schedule

2022 -25 Sports Schedule							
Pen Argyl Girls (20	)-5) Pe	n Argyl Boys (8	8-13)	Pen Argyl Wrest	tling (10-4)		
	:30pm 12/2	NDES L-55-44		12/2/ NDGP L 69-3.			
	:00pm 12/3	Moravian L 51-36	-	12/3/ @Rough Rider			
	:45pm 12/6/	Saucon L 46-32	6:45pm 2				
	:45pm 12/8/	Palmerton L 57-30		12/16 Lehighton L 33-			
	4.5	Wilson W 58-41	-	12/22/@ Palmerton W	-		
12/19/@ NDGP L49-37 6:4	4.5	NDGP L 60-35		1/4/ @ Salisbury W			
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12/27 PME - W 47-38 6:	12/27:00pm	a N. Warren W 50-3					
	:45pm 12/28	@ Sussex W 57-37	TBA				
1/7/ Northwestern L51-36 12:	:45pm 1/5/	Palisades W 52-46	6:45pm				
	:45pm <sub>1/7/</sub>	Northwestern L 52-40					
	:00pm <sub>1/9/</sub>	Salisbury L 43 - 33		1/11/ N. Lehigh W 63			
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	1/10/	Catasauqua W 35-29	-				
	1/24/	Saucon L 36-22		1/27/ @Ultimate Warrion			
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2/28 NDGP W 50-42							
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7:00pm 1/4/ Northwestern L 37-30 NDGP L 68-0 7:00pm 1/11/ 7:00pm S. Lehigh W 43-19 1/18/ 1:45pm @Coal Cracker @Coal Cracker 9:00am 1/26/ @ Del Val 1/31

7:00pm PenArgylL45-29 7:00pm

#### **High School Varsity Rosters 2022 - 23**

#### **Bangor Boys**

- Marquise Acree 5
- 14 Nickolas Castelletti
- Alex Farensbach
- 12 Joshua Giaquinto
- 30 Quin Karner
- Ashton Kluska
- Bryan Marmol
- Hunter McShane
- 11 Gavin Nelson
- 54 Cody Quagliato
- 20 Jeremiah Singer
- 23 Ryan Wildrick

#### **Bangor Girls**

- Madyson Escuadro
- Jayleigh Figurski
- 12 Kaylynn Figurski
- Kyleena Gonzalez
- 14 Linzey Hann
- 21 Jade Hendricks
- Caydence McLain
- 10 Jackelin Miller
- 25 Avery Nelson
- Julia Pinter 3
- 43 Jace Polowy
- Madeline Stout

#### **Pen Argyl Wrestling**

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Ethan Alvarado	215			
Riley Alvarado	172			
Yakup Aybaz	285			
Jonathon D'Alessandro 121				
Luke Dalton	114			
Michael Fuller	133			
Bo Hatesaul	160			
Noah Hillis	160			
Arman Khan	215			
Jace LaBar	121			
Timothy McLain	189			
Aidan McNulty	133			
Parker Reimel	145			
Tyler Scholato	152			
David Sipley	145			
Carter Smith	107			
Landen Smith	152			
Benjamin 2025	114			
Riley Stapp	189			
Riley Waldron	145			
Kody Ward	160			

#### **Pen Argyl Boys**

- 12 Blake Boyer
- 50 Dominic Dauley
- Christian Hershey 21
- Ethan Holland
- 0 Trowne Irwin-Hill
- 10 Chase Kennedy
- 5 Lincoln Kuster
- 33 Jacob Martini
- 32 Jack McLaughlin
- 35 Thomas Mulroy
- 23 Bradley Rissmiller
- 24 Mason Soos
- 3 Damian Tyminski
- Cayden Vishnesky

#### **Pen Argyl Girls**

- Emma Albanese
- 3 15 Julia Antonioli
- 2 Mckenna Cunningham
- 44 Hailey Frey
- 1 Jasmine Holland
- 22 Macy Kotulka
- Kayla Maggipinto
- Alexandra Marshall 35
- 20 Natosha Morrison
- 21 Jillian Morro
- Kristen O'Brien 10
- 33 Ashlyn Oessenick
- 4 Kylee Uhler
- 12 Julia Vargo
- Ellianna Wallbillich 5
- 32 Grace Weaver
- Callia Wilgus 11
- 42 Katie Wilgus

#### Pen Argyl Wrestling

Isaiah Adams

Luca Albanese

Adam Bartholomew Connor Bartholomew

**Hunter Beers** 

Michael Culver

Michael Culver

Rocco DeCesare

Gian Greggo

Kael Grim

Evan Johnson

Kristoffer Kessler

Nuallan King

Aidan Knorr

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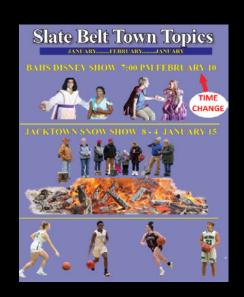
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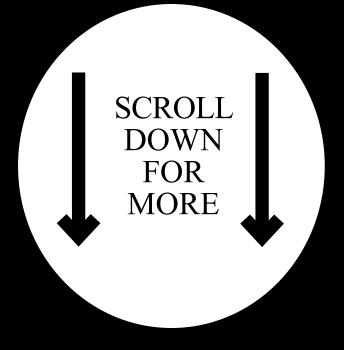
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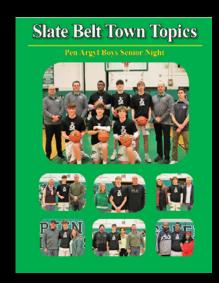


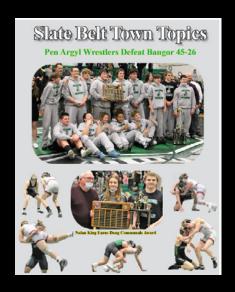












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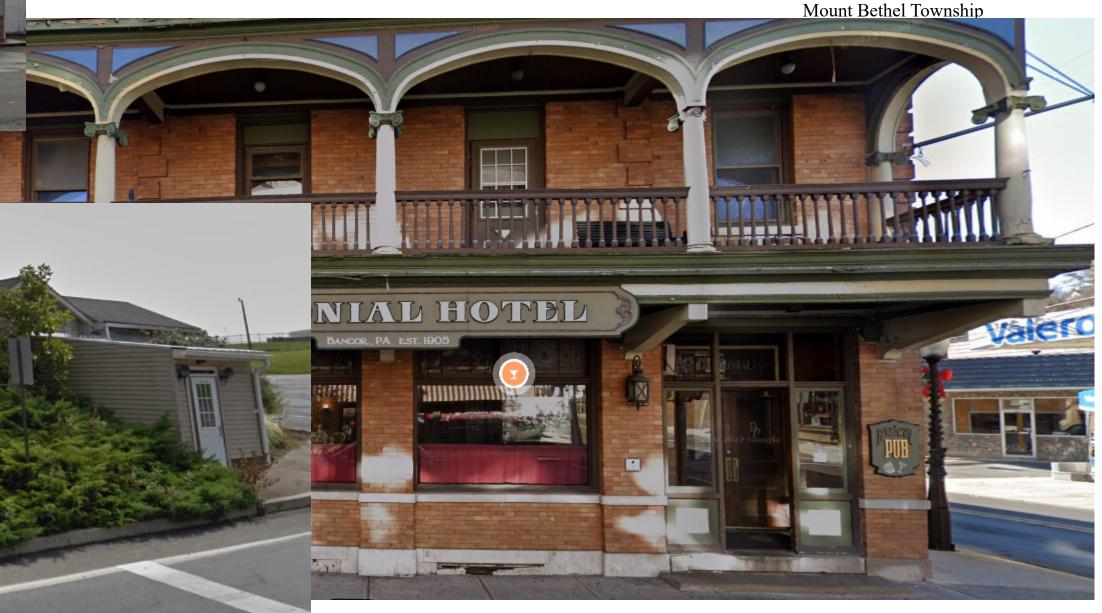
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### PEN ARGYL GOING TO 5A TITLE GAME

#### **Knights Shoot Down NDGP 50-42**

Pen Argyl scored an impressive win over Notre Dame Green Pond last night with a 50-42 win to earn a berth in the District XI championship versus Palmerton in a game to be played Friday night at a site and time to be determined today.

The Knights dominated the game from the outset, taking a 10-3 lead by the end of the first quarter and extending their lead to 20-9 at halftime.

Although the Crusaders outscored the Green Knights 33-30 in the second half, Pen Argyl hit nine of 13 free throws going down the stretch to win.

Winners of 12 of their last 13 games, Pen Argyl will try to stop Colonial League nemesis Palmerton, who defeated the Knights 49-46 in December and scored a triple overtime epic win two weeks ago in the Colonial League playoffs.

Regardless of the outcome, Pen Argyl will advance to the state tourney.

#### **Pen Argyl Scoring**

Marshall 4, Vargo 2, Morro 22, Katulka 4, Maggipinto 3, Wallbillich 15. 3-Pointers - None



### March Comes In Like A Lamb



Wednesday's Forecast



Mostly sunny after some morning fog.

Mild temperatures.

Light and variable winds.

National Weather Service Mount Holly, New Jersey





#### SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS COLD FLU Symptom onset Gradual Abrupt Usual Rare Fever Slight Usual Aches Uncommon Fairly common Sometimes Usual Fatigue, weakness Common Sometimes Sneezing Mild to moderate Chest discomfort, cough Common Common Stuffy nose Sometimes Sore throat Sometimes Common Headache Common Rare

ASH WEDNESDAY

In 2023, like in every year, Ash Wednesday is the first day of the liturgical season of Lent. It always falls six and half weeks before Easter, beginning the Lenten season of preparation for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

#### **Origin**

Ash Wednesday dates back to the 11th century. Yet, the tradition of receiving ashes has even earlier roots—to the ancient Hebrew custom of clothing oneself in sackcloth and dusting oneself with ashes as a sign of penance

### **How Is The Date For Easter Determined Every Year?**

The simple standard definition of Easter is that it is the first Sunday after the full Moon that occurs on or after the spring equinox. If the full Moon falls on a Sunday then Easter is the next Sunday.

Easter, also called Pascha or Resurrection Sunday, is a Christian festival and cultural holiday commemorating the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, described in the New Testament as having occurred on the third day of his burial following his crucifixion by the Romans at Calvary

It marks the first day of Lent in Western churches. The ashes symbolize penance and the dust from which God made people. When priests mark Christian's forehead with the ashes they often say, "Repent and believe in the Gospel," or "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return



## FASTNACHT DAY

Fastnacht Day or in Pennsylvania German: Faasenacht) is an annual Pennsylvania Dutch celebration that falls on Shrove Tuesday, the day before Ash Wednesday. The word translates to "Fasting Night" or "Almost Night" in English. The tradition is to eat the very best foods, which are part of the German tradition, and much of them, before the Lenten fast. Fastnachts (pronounced /ˈfastnaxt/ in German) are doughnuts.

#### aka FAT TUESDAY

Festive day celebrated in France on Shrove Tuesday ALSO KNOWN AS Mardi Gras, (French: Fat Tuesday) (the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday), which marks the close of the pre-Lenten season. Fat Tuesday is the custom of using all the fats in the home before Lent in preparation for fasting and abstinence.

#### aka SHROVE TUESDAY

The Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, which marks the close of the pre-Lenten season. aka Pancake Tuesday is the day before Ash Wednesday, observed in many Christian countries through participating in confession and absolution, the ritual burning of the previous year's Holy Week palms, finalizing one's Lenten sacrifice, as well as eating pancakes and other sweets

#### **Fastnacht Donut Sale at Christ Lutheran Church**

A Donut Sale will be held at Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, 703 S. Delaware Dr. (Route 611), Mt. Bethel (Stone Church) on Tuesday, February 21st. Donuts are available powdered or plain and picked up by 1pm. The cost is \$10.00 per dozen. Orders are recommended and can be placed until February 18th. To place your order or for additional information call Chrissy at 610-588-0809.



# Lincoln and Washington's Birthday Morphed Into Presidents Day

#### **Birthday Observance History**

1876 - U.S. House of Reps proposed that April 14 (Lincoln) Assassination Date) would be a national holiday for Lincoln.

1900 - Post Offices closed in the afternoon.

1907 - All Northampton County Schools observed Lincoln's Birthday.

1909 - at the Music Hall in Bangor (next to the present Bangor PD office) Union Defenders Day and Lincoln's Birthday were observed by the Sons of Veterans of the Civil War.

1909 - The Shakespearian Literary Society in Pen Argyl observed Lincoln's Birthday.

1914 - Lehigh New England Railroad Shops closed.

1923 - Pen Argyl Schools observed Lincoln's birthday as a holiday.

1924 - Lincoln and Washington's Birthdays were observed in all Bangor Schools.

1924 - PAHS Class of 1924 held a Lincoln Birthday Party.

1936 - Bethlehem Schools Closed.

1939 - Merchants bank of Bangor's move to Broadway delayed by observance of Lincoln's Birthday.

1947 - Banks and Municipal offices closed but schools and post offices were open on Lincoln's Birthday.

#### **Presidents Day History**

By the end of WWII, the observance of Lincoln and Washington's birthdays waned except as magnets for special February sales.

Today their birthdays are included in Presidents' Day, which is a holiday in the United States celebrated on the third Monday of February to honor all people who served as presidents of the United States and, since 1879, has been the federal holiday honoring George Washington, who led the Continental Army to victory in the American Revolutionary War, presided at the Constitutional Convention of 1787, and was the first U.S. president.

Washington's Birthday was celebrated on February 22 from 1879 until 1970. To give federal employees a three-day weekend, in 1968 the Uniform Monday Holiday Act moved it to the third Monday in February, which can occur from February 15 to the 21st.

Lincoln's Birthday, February 12, was never a federal holiday, but nearly half the state governments have officially renamed their observances "Presidents' Day", "Washington and Lincoln Day", or other such designations. (In historical rankings of presidents of the United States, Lincoln and Washington are often the top two.



### United States Presidents

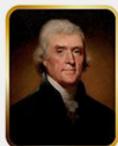
#### 1789 - PRESENT



George Washington (1789 - 1797)



John Adams (1797 - 1801)



Thomas Jefferson (1801 - 1809)



James Madison (1809 - 1817)



James Monroe (1817 - 1825)



John Quincy Adams (1825 - 1829)



Andrew Jackson (1829 - 1837)



Martin Van Buren (1837 - 1841)



William Henry Harrison (1841 - 1841)



John Tyler (1841 - 1845)



James K. Polk (1845 - 1849)



Zachary Taylor (1849 - 1850)



Millard Fillmore (1850 - 1853)



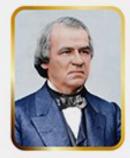
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James Buchanan (1857 - 1861)



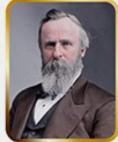
Abraham Lincoln (1861 - 1865)



Andrew Johnson (1865 - 1869)



Ulysses S. Grant (1869 - 1877)



Rutherford B. Hayes (1877 - 1881)



James A. Garfield (1881 - 1881)



Chester A. Arthur (1881 - 1885)



Grover Cleveland (1885 - 1889)



Benjamin Harrison (1889 - 1893)



Grover Cleveland (1893 - 1897)



William McKinley (1897 - 1901)



Theodore Roosevelt (1901 - 1909)



William Howard Taft (1909 - 1913)



Woodrow Wilson (1913 - 1921)



Warren G. Harding (1921 - 1923)



Calvin Coolidge (1923 - 1929)



Herbert Hoover (1929 - 1933)



Franklin D. Roosevelt (1933 - 1945)



Harry S. Iruman (1945 - 1953)



Dwight D. Eisenhower (1953 - 1961)



John F. Kennedy (1961 - 1963)



Lyndon B. Johnson (1963 - 1969)



Richard Nixon (1969 - 1974)



Gerald Ford (1974 - 1977)



Jimmy Carter (1977 - 1981)



Konald Keagan (1981 - 1989)



George H. W. Bush (1989 - 1993)



Bill Clinton (1993 - 2001)



George W. Bush (2001 - 2009)



Barack Obama (2009 - 2017)



Donald Trump (2017 - 2021)



Joe Biden (2021 -)





