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West Bangor Memorial Day

Memorial Day services in West Bangor are canceled. This decision was made taking into consideration the health and safety of all persons involved. The program will resume in 2021. A patriotic display will be placed at the community memorial site.

Community Day

Community Day at A Clean Slate will be held Monday Memorial Day from 12-2pm. Stop by and enjoy your community as they honor friends, family and community. Free refreshment.

Off the Road Celebration

The Annual Off The Road Celebration At Riverside! COVID 19 Version will be staged from 2-5pm Memorial Day.!

They will be broadcasting LIVE from Riverside!

After Monday, they are going to take a break from the "weekly" Live Streams. They thank everyone who has tuned in week after week

Bangor/Roseto

In the long and honored tradition of America, plans have been made for a Bangor and Roseto Memorial Day Procession.

The Columbia Fire Company, Bangor Fire Companies and the Blue Valley Rescue Squad will lead. They will be followed by members of the Roseto and Bangor Legion Posts and the Bangor VFW.

They will also have the honor of having State Senator Mario Scavella and State Representative Joe Emrick joining them.

The procession of trucks and cars will leave Bangor Park at 10:00am and proceed to St. Johns cemetery for a 21-gun salute, Taps, National Anthem and prayer.

They will then make their way to the Presbyterian and Our Lady of Mt Carmel cemeteries in Roseto.

Upper Mount Bethel

UMBT will host a "Drive-By" Memorial Day Parade from 12 p.m. until 2 p.m. May 25 at the UMBT Municipal Building, 387 Ye Olde Highway.

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NEW VIRUS CASE REPORT - MAY 24

LOCATION	TOTAL CASES	NEW CASES
State	67,713	730
Northampton	2911	45
Monroe	1,304	2
Lehigh	3,651	23

Baccalaureate Services

The Slate Belt Ministerium will be hosting a virtual Baccalaureate service on June 7 for seniors from Bangor Area School District, Pen Argyl Area School District and Faith Christian School.

Members of the class of 2020 are invited to submit 3-5 minute recordings of a Gospel-related talent or their testimony for inclusion in the service. Submissions should include the student's name and school they are from.

Two submissions per school will be included in the service and one student from each school will receive a \$200.00 scholarship. Submissions should be sent to sbbaccalaureate@gmail.com no later than June 3.

The service will be premiered on the Slate Belt Ministerium Facebook Page on June 7 by 6:00 p.m

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National Weather Service Forecast - May 25

Memorial Day

Cloudy, then gradually becoming mostly sunny, with a high near 74. Calm wind becoming south around 5 mph in the afternoon.

Tonight

Increasing clouds, with a low around 58. South wind around 5 mph becoming calm.

Tuesday

Cloudy, then gradually becoming mostly sunny, with a high near 81. Calm wind becoming south around 5 mph in the afternoon.

Tuesday Night

Partly cloudy, with a low around 60. South wind around 5 mph becoming calm in the evening.

Wednesday

Partly sunny, with a high near 81. Calm wind becoming south around 5 mph in the afternoon.

Wednesday Night

A slight chance of showers after 2am. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 64. Chance of precipitation is 20%.

Thursday

A chance of showers between 8am and 2pm, then a chance of showers and thunderstorms after 2pm. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 80. Chance of precipitation is 50%.

Thursday Night

A chance of showers and thunderstorms, then showers likely and possibly a thunderstorm after 2am. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 67. Chance of precipitation is 60%.

PennDOT Road Work - May 26-29

US 22 Between: Lehigh County Line and New Jersey State Line. Daytime Restriction 07:00 AM To 03:00 PM: Please be alert for slow moving vehicles for Herbicide application. Start date: 5/26/20 Est completion date: 5/29/20

PA 33 Between: Interstate 78 and Monroe County Line. Please be alert for slow moving vehicles for Herbicide application. Start date: 5/26/20 Est completion date: 5/29/20 Restrictions in effect 07:00 AM To 03:00 PM

Interstate 78 Between: Lehigh County Line and New Jersey State Line. Daytime Restriction 09:00 AM To 03:00 PM: Please be alert for slow moving vehicles for Herbicide application. Start date: 5/26/20. Est completion date: 5/29/20

PA 33 Between: Interstate 78 and US 22. No restriction 05:00 PM To 11:00 PM for Shoulder work/bridge cleaning/sweeping. Start date: 5/26/20. Est completion date: 5/29/20

US 22 West Between: PA 191 and PA 512. Westbound lane restriction 09:00 AM To 02:00 PM. Start date: 5/27/20. Est completion date: 5/27/20

US 22 East. Between: PA 33 and 25th Street. Eastbound lane restriction 09:00 AM To 02:00 PM. Start date: 5/28/20. Est completion date: 5/28/20

PA 33 Between: US 22 and Northampton County Line. No restriction 05:00 PM To 11:00 PM. Start date: 5/26/20. Est completion date: 5/28/20

Let Washington Township Fire Co. Decorate Your Yard

Washington Twp Vol Fire Co would like to decorate your yard with some patriotism and thanks to all our local essential workers, front liners and volunteers serving during this pandemic.

They are doing this as a 'no contact' fundraiser for their fire company. They have had to postpone and cancel some of their popular fundraiser events due to the COVID and this will help them tremendously while uplifting spirits in our communities.

You will be decorated within a few days of placing your order through JCC Screenprinting. The website will be up and running in the next few days. Online ordering will be running through the summer months. Memorial Day is this weekend. June 14th is flag day. The Fourth of July. And don't forget Labor Day in September.

You can show your appreciation in this way by either displaying in your own yard or ordering for someone else's yard to say thanks.

Your \$50 contribution to WTVFC will include one dozen American flags and also a double sided thank you sign with our logo that you keep.

<http://Stores.inksoft.com/wtvfc/>

Vendor and Craft Fair

The Washington Township Volunteer Fire Company is having a Vendor & Craft Fair on Sunday August 16th, 2020 (new date) from 9am to 3pm. Food and Drinks will be sold by the fire company.

This is an outdoor event and it will be held whether rain or shine. If you are interested in a space contact Brett Morrison at 484-542-9517, Aundrea Morrison at 610-984-7101, or email at bdjm987@gmail.com

Test Site Open Until June 5

The Northampton County sponsored Covid-19 drive-thru testing site at Easton Hospital will remain open until June 5th

. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday, from 10:00AM –4:00PM. The site will be closed on Memorial Day, May 25th

The testing site is located in the main parking lot at Easton Hospital, 250 S 21st Street, Easton, PA 18042 and the tests are free. The risk of viral transmission at a drive-thru site is much lower than at a walk-in clinic.

Only residents from Northampton County will be accepted for testing and they must show at least one of the following CDC recognized symptoms of Covid-19 to be eligible: fever, dry cough, shortness of breath, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat or loss of taste and/or smell.

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EBUMC Service & Bible Study

East Bangor United Methodist Community Church 136 W. Central Ave. East Bangor, PA will hold services Sunday May 31 - 10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Online) Bible Study will be held Tues., June 2 at 7:00 p.m..

Free Takeout Dinner

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church welcomes you to a Free (TAKE-OUT ONLY) Bar-B-Que Pork Chop Dinner on Sunday, May 31st from 4:00-5:00 p.m. Please remember to wear your mask. The church is located at 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor, PA. Questions? call 610-588-4453 or visit <http://ebumc.org/>.

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PA 511 Traffic Alerts

- **Delabole Rd closed from American Bangor Road to Molasses Rd** for Bridge repair until mid June, 2020.
- **Roadwork on Belvidere Road both directions** 0 miles West of DePues Ferry Road, PPL. Lane restriction.
- **Damaged roadway on Five Points - Richmond Road** in both directions between Messenger St, Bangor, Park Drive and Sunset Drive. Lane restriction.
- **Roadwork on I-78 westbound** between Mile Post: 60.5 and Mile Post: 60.0. There is a lane restriction.
- **Roadwork on I-78 westbound** between .5 miles west of Exit 45: PA 863 - and .7 miles west of Exit 35: PA 143 - traffic disruption.
- **US 22 between PA 191 and 25th Street** Weekend restrictions Friday nights 9 PM thru Monday mornings at 6 am. Weeknight lane restrictions 9pm to 6am. (West bound first then

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Trinity Lutheran Church, located at 4th and Broadway in Bangor, offers a free bag lunch program to children, their families and anyone in the community this summer. Tasty Tuesdays begins on Tuesday, June 2 and runs thru mid August. Due to Covid-19, lunches will contain non perishable food items and will be available for drive-up/walk-up pick up in the large church parking lot. Each lunch contains water, juice, healthy snack bar, chips, fruit/fruit cup, and a choice of a main food item such as canned soup/tuna/pasta and more. Call the church at 610-588-2023 to register.

Slate Belt Textile History

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

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

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

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

WTVFC Farmers Market

Washington Township Volunteer Fire Company is looking for local farmers/greenhouses who sell; vegetables, fruits, meats, honey, flowers, etc. and who would like to set up a farm stand at the fire house on Saturdays and Sundays from 8am to 4pm rain or shine.

WTVFC is looking to help raise funds but also help our Farmers who are unable to sell at their usual Carnivals and Flea Markets.

Spots sizes are determined by the farmer and will cost \$10 per day. All spots will be in a grassy area and must be cleaned up by the end of the day or the weekend.

Multiple farmers per day are welcome, but spots will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

Farmers are responsible for their own chairs, tables, coverings, etc.

No electric, water, or other utilities will be provided or available. WTVFC is not responsible for any lost/stolen belongings, equipment, etc. that is left on the property overnight.

For additional info or to reserve a spot call Brett Morrison at 484-542-9517 or Aundrea Morrison at 610-984-7101 or email bdjm987@gamil.com

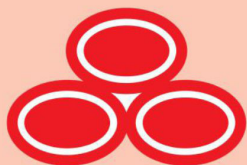
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"**Bangor Memorial Park** equipment and facilities are not able to be disinfected. Residents are advised not to use park facilities. Thank you for your cooperation as we all work to reduce the impact of this virus" - *Brook Kerzner, Bangor Mayor*

Takeout Food Tips

Getting takeout from your favorite restaurant for dinner? Use these tips to stay safe:

- Mobile phone order + pay online or by phone
- Accept take-out without in-person contact
- Stay 6 feet away from others
- Soap wash your hands after pickup



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Plainfield Township - outdoor facilities remain open, however, Plainfield personnel can't sanitize the apparatus and playground equipment. They ask you to use common sense when bringing children to their facilities and not congregating in groups of five (5) or more as per the Centers for Disease Control Guidance.

East Bangor Fire Co. Needs

Due to the COVID-19 Virus the East Bangor Vol Fire Company is asking residents and business for items they need of to keep their crews safe. Items include:

Hand Sanitizer, Lysol spray, Tyvek suits, Lysol/Clorox wipes, Isopropyl Alcohol(rubbing alcohol) minimum 91%, Pure Aloe Vera gel, and Masks.

Call 610-462-1132 to make donation. Any help is appreciated! The Fire Co. can pick it up.

PASD School Meals

Students and parents are welcome to pick up meals

Bangor Pool Not Opening

According to statement on Facebook, "Regrettably, we have made the very hard decision not to open Memorial Park Pool for the 2020 summer season due to ongoing COVID-19 health and safety concerns and restrictions."

Mental Health Matters

Your mental health matters. If you need help coping or if you're experiencing a mental health crisis, please reach out for support:

Telephone National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-8255

Military medal Veterans in Crisis: 1-800-273-8255 + press 1

Speech balloon Crisis Text Line: Text PA to 741-741

Car Show Cancelled

The 37th annual Wind Gap Car and Cruise Show scheduled for this summer has been cancelled due to the pandemic.

by entering the bus loop located in the front of the Wind Gap Middle School between the hours of 11:30-1:00. The distribution will be curbside. No admittance to the building is permitted.

Washington Twsp Open Burning

Due to the Federal, State and County Disaster Declarations in place Washington Twp Fire Co. will restrict open burning to rainy days only with permission. Thank you for your understanding.

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Recovery Revolution

Primary Contact: Jana Morris

Contact Information: (610) 599-7700

Current Need(s): Hand sanitizer, Lysol spray (aerosol), disinfecting wipes, box of disposable masks

Slater Family Network Foundation

Primary Contact: Patti Damour

Contact Information: (610) 599-7019 or
damourpa@bangorsd.org

Needs: Masks, gloves, Lysol cleaning supplies,

Lehigh Valley Health Network

Visit LVHN.org/helpfightcovid to find a drop-off location near you. Needs: Face shields, goggles, hand sanitizer, cleaning supplies and disinfectant, Isopropyl alcohol, Lysol and Clorox (including wipes), N95 masks, surgical masks, vinyl gloves

Gracedale Nursing Home

Primary Contact: Gracedale Volunteer Coordinator

Contact Information: (610) 829-3686

Current Need(s): PPE items

Miller-Keystone Blood Center

Contact Information: <https://www.giveapint.org/>

Current Needs: Blood donations



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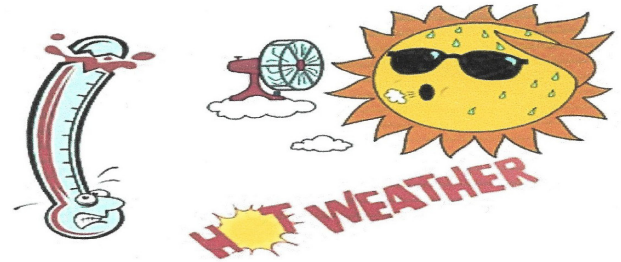
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CARES can help customers experiencing a temporary hardship. Calling [1-800-358-6623](tel:1-800-358-6623)

Met-Ed Suspends Shut-offs

Effective immediately, Met-Ed is temporarily discontinuing power shutoffs for customers who are past due on their electric bills.

FirstEnergy, Met-Ed's parent company, will continue to monitor the coronavirus response situation and adjust the shutoff policy in the future as circumstances develop.

Met-Ed encourages customers who are having difficulty paying their electric bill to contact its customer service department at 1-800-545-7741 to

Bangor PD Needs Sanitizing Products

Due to a shortage of hand sanitizer, Clorox and Lysol products, the Bangor Police Department is asking if anyone has any extra hand sanitizer, Clorox or Lysol wipes and would like to donate them, if so call (610-588-4720) or stop by the station.

SBRPD Needs Sanitizing Products

Slate Belt Regional Police Department need s disinfecting wipes (Clorox type). Their officers are out performing their jobs, dealing with our neighbors and friends where help is needed; all while attempting to keep themselves and their own families safe during these unusual times. If you should have a container of antiseptic wipes that you would be willing to donate, we would be ever so grateful. Just one container, we aren't asking you to deplete your supply, just one container from a few people would tide us over until the stores are resupplied again. They are wiping down cars, duty belts, radios, pretty much everything... constantly...for your protection and ours. Call 610.759.8517

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KN95 masks for sale.

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SBNR Needs Masks & Gowns

Slate Belt Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. is in desperate need of masks and long sleeve gowns.

They currently have no patients or staff testing positive for coronavirus, and want that to continue.

The majority of their patients are elderly and arrive there when they are released from the hospital, but not well enough to go home.

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Mondays 10am-11:30 a.m. and 6pm-7:30 p.m.

Curbside service is available.

Pen Argyl Parking Meters

Parking Meter Enforcement in Pen Argyl has been suspended.

Mass Suspension

The Allentown Catholic Diocese has extended its suspension of Masses through Holy Week, meaning churches will be empty on Easter — the holiest day on the Christian calendar, commemorating the Resurrection of Christ

Blood Donations Needed

There is a critical need for blood and platelets across. If you would like to #donateblood, you can find the closest location here: <http://rcblood.org/2UyPOkcrc>

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PA 211

PA 211 has text auto-notifications that provide the latest assistance and crisis information. To receive updates - text PACOVID to 898-211

BASD Student meals available via curbside pickup between 10:00 am and 12:00 p.m. Not on weekends. e-mailed orders through meals@bangorsd.org by 5:00 p.m. the day prior to pick up.

Slate Belt Senior Center Open M-F 11-12:30 For Meal Service OnLY

Portland Borough Playground - closed

Public Libraries - closed until further notice. Bangor patrons may use drop box. No fines. Nothing overdue.

REAL ID enforcement deadline extended by one year to Oct. 1, 2021, in light of the coronavirus pandemic.

Main Street Market

Open 9 am - 6 pm, 7 days a week, effective Thursday, March 19 From 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. they will hold special shopping hours for shoppers 65 and over, the immune compromised as well as pregnant women.

Waste Management

Please bag all trash and place in your trash can or Toter. Please do not leave any trash items loose in these containers.

Recycling should be loose. They can't collect bagged recycling since plastic bags tangle the machines

Daisy Family Restaurant

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

How Long Can You Park Without Driving?

Courtesy Robin Tinsley Sabatino Insurance

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Whether you're working from home, following social distancing guidelines or storing your convertible for the winter, parking a car for long periods of time can take a toll on your vehicle.

The result? You may have trouble getting your car started when it's time for your next drive.

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Fuel: Did you know that gasoline can go bad? When it's not in an airtight container, fuel reacts with oxygen, which causes it to degrade. This process begins after about 30 days.

Rust: Rust is another byproduct of oxidation — and it's highly dependent on the environment where your vehicle is parked.

Belts and Hoses: As rubber components age, they can start to dry out and crack.

Pests: For that mouse in your garage, a parked car can become a ready-made home.

How Do I Prepare My Car For Storage?

We've looked at the damage that can be done if you let your car sit without any preparation. But luckily, a little prevention is all it takes to protect your vehicle

No Commuter Service To NYC

Amid Trans-Bridge Lines temporarily ceasing commuter service to hard-hit NYC

Heritage Center Opening Postponed

The Slate Belt Heritage Center scheduled for April will be postponed, including the pick up and mailing date for the pre-ordered Textile Book. They will let you know when.

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Bangor Car & Bike Show

Rev up your engines for plenty of prizes, trophies and fun for the entire family! The Bangor Car & Bike show and competition is back on Broadway in historic Bangor on Saturday, June 20th from 10am - 3pm (rain-date Sunday, June 21st). Do you have a car, bike or truck that you think could win a prize and you'd like to enter it in the competition, please read below...

Goody bag & tshirt pre-registration: Sign up your car or bike early and save \$5 on the entry fee PLUS get a really cool goody bag & commemorative tshirt! Pre-registration is \$10 by 6/12 at hbbapa.org. Pre-Registration does not reserve your spot in the show, but gets you a goody bag and tshirt. Goody bags and tshirts are limited to the first 100 pre-registrations.

Car & bike show competition entry: If you'd like to enter your vehicle in the competition, please arrive on June 20th to Main & Broadway between 8am and 9:45am to enter the competition. Be sure to bring your pre-registration form OR register day-of for \$15. Space is limited, get there early so you don't miss out on entering your vehicle into the competition!

Car & bike show sponsors: They are presently accepting prize and award sponsorship. Please visit <https://www.hbbapa.org/car-show.html> to download a form. We thank you for your generosity.

Proceeds go back to the Historic Bangor Business Association to host fun community events and festivals.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Bangor - Online services only.

HUB Teen Center - closed until further notice

St. Luke's Coronavirus hotline - at 1-866-STLUKES (785-8537), option 7 or email us at coronavirus@sluhn.org

Weona Park

Weona Park is closed to all practices of any athletic teams. Equipment and pavilions will not be sanitized.

It is strongly advised that you do not utilize the park until further notice.

Tuscarora Quarantine Hosts

Tuscarora is here to help! During the COVID-19 health crisis Tuscarora is opening its doors to first responders and medical professionals who need to be in quarantine.

Visit the Tuscarora website at tuscarora.org/covid-inquiry if you need to be in quarantine due to symptoms or self-imposed for the safety of those you love.

Your stay is free of charge as Tuscarora's way to say thank you for the way you sacrifice for the health of others!

Three Brothers Pizza

Three Brothers Pizza is now open in the former Plainfield Diner on Sullivan Trail. Three Brothers diner in a Wind Gap strip mall was destroyed by fire over three months ago. Pandemic restrictions prevent in-house dining, but at 11 am today takeout will be available. Call 610-863-4950 to order.

Family & Friends Takeout

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

Gap Diner Take-out

The Gap Diner in Wind Gap is open for take out and curb side delivery family meals packs now available.

Specials include chicken parmesan serves 4-6, eggplant parmesan serves 4-6, spaghetti & meatballs serves 4-6, hamburger/cheeseburger kit serves 6.

Check out their website for details at thegapdiner.com.

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Little Creek Open

Little Creek hours for May are 3-7pm Tuesday through Saturday and Sunday's 12-5pm.

They will have a limited meat selection due to availability, but they will have all of their sides & desserts available and Sweet Tea.

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

NO ONE will be allowed inside the building until restrictions for are lifted - this is for your safety as well as their's.

Cash payments for curbside pick-up will be taken at the vehicle, delivery cash payments will be taken at the door.

If you would like a "knock and drop" delivery - they prefer credit/debit over the phone.

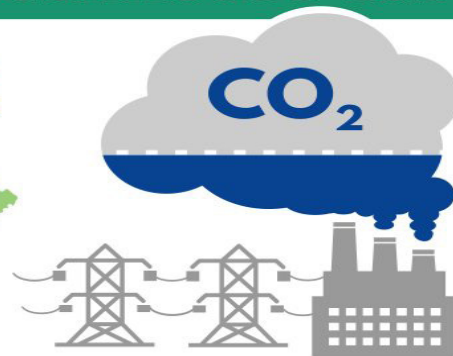
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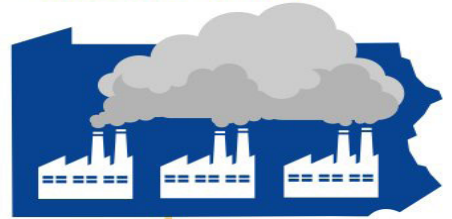
PA Participation in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI)

RGGI is a partnership between Northeastern and mid-Atlantic states...



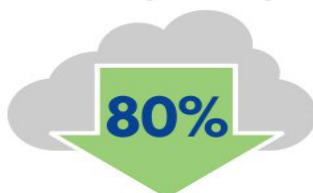
...Designed to cap and reduce carbon emissions from fossil fuel fired power plants.

The electricity sector is the 2nd leading source of Greenhouse Gas Emissions in PA.



By 2025

Participating in RGGI will help PA reach our greenhouse gas emissions goals...



By 2050



45%

Since 2005, RGGI states have significantly reduced their power sector CO₂ pollution.



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Scholarship Awards

The Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce congratulates the following students chosen to receive the 2020 Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Awards:

- Lindsay Hoffer, Bangor High School
- Derek Lasher, Career Institute of Technology (Bangor High School)
- Megan Guthrie, Pen Argyl High School
- Jonathan Ruth recipient of the Frederick R. Curcio Jr. Award of Bangor High School/CIT.

Pen Argyl Borough

Pen Argyl Borough office staff will be conducting business but there will be no face to face interactions. If you have general business with the Borough, please call 610-863-4119 or email the department you might need:

secretary@penargylborough.com (general matters, sewer billing questions and final sale certifications).
admin@penargylborough.com (general matters, feral cat questions and rental registrations).
manager@penargylborough.com (all of the above and any other questions you might have regarding the Borough.)

Greenhouse Free Delivery

Thomas Greenhouse in Mount Bethel offers Free Deliveries to Portland, Mt Bethel and Bangor. 484-661-6553 Rt 512 between East Bangor and Mt. Bethel

Waste Management

Please bag all trash and place in your trash can or Toter. Please do not leave any trash items loose in these containers.

Recycling should be loose. They can't collect bagged recycling since plastic bags tangle the machines.

PennDOT Extends Photo IDs

PennDOT has announced it will use existing photos on file for customers who renew their driver's license and identification card. All customers who renew online or through the mail will receive a new product using the most recent photo that exists in PennDOT's system. No camera cards will be issued to these customers, and they will receive their new product by mail within 15 days.

The renewal process is complete when the final product is received.

People who renewed before May 10 will receive a camera card in the mail and must visit a photo license center. Non-U.S. citizens must also visit a driver's license center in person to complete a transaction. For a list of reopened locations, visit www.dmv.pa.gov. Expiration dates on driver's licenses, photo ID cards, learner's permits and camera cards scheduled to expire from March 16 through May 31 have been extended until June 30. For more information and an update on REAL ID products.

PennDOT also announced an extension of expiration dates for vehicle registrations and safety and emission inspections. Items scheduled to expire between March 16 and May 31 are now extended through June 30. Persons with Disabilities parking placards scheduled to expire from March 16 through May 31 are also extended through June 30.

Weona Park Closed

According to a news release by the Slate Belt Regional Police Weona Park in Pen Argyl is now closed to all visitors

In an e-mailed statement SBRPD said, "After several attempts to educate users of Weona Park to please heed the warnings regarding "social distancing" and restrictions on public gatherings, Pen Argyl Borough must take the step to close Weona Park to any visitors. It is extremely unfortunate that certain individuals have made decisions to continue to place others in jeopardy amid concerns about the potential spread of COVID-19.

All portions of Weona Park are now closed to the public. If found in violation of the emergency closure, you will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law."

Mount Bethel COVID Tests

Mt Bethel Pharmacy has all things covid readily available. Hand sanitizer, masks, gloves, zinc, vitamin c. And they are getting in covid testing kits to do the testing in the pharmacy. No script needed!

Call them for more info! 570-582-2027

Weona Park Centennial

A Centennial book is being written to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Weona Park in Pen Argyl.

Anyone with fond memories or interesting stories should send them to Walt Cole at wrcole3@gmail.com. This would include any information from your parents or grandparents. Perhaps a grandparent or great-grandparent helped to build the park, or worked on a WPA project during the Depression. Perhaps you worked at the park, were a life guard or had an interesting experience.

Stories about sporting events, swimming, or any activities would be of interest. They are also interested in pictures of family reunions, church gatherings or other organizations having picnics at the park.

Do you have any pictures of the kiddie Ferris Wheel, train or cars that you would be willing to share?

They are also looking for pictures of the clay tennis courts, the old miniature golf course, the band shell and events at the athletic field. Please check out those old photo albums for memories to share.

Gap Diner Take-out

Starting Monday May 11 the Gap Diner in Wind Gap will provide take out and curbside meal delivery services.

They will be available from 11 am- 7pm with a limited menu.

Coming soon delivery and online ordering.

Please visit their website for updates and download their limited menu now available at www.Thegapdiner.com.

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Roseto Park Closed

Due to the mandates in place by Governor Wolf regarding COVID-19, "Stay at Home", six foot social distancing, social gatherings of ten or less in the red phase and 25 or less in yellow phase Roseto Borough Council at their regular monthly meeting approved the closure of the Roseto Borough Park until Northampton County is open in the "green phase" of the Governor's reopening process.

Talking and Breathing May Spread The virus

People resistant to social distancing may reconsider that thought after a prestigious scientific panel told the White House Wednesday night that research shows the coronavirus can be spread not just by sneezes or coughs, but also just by talking, or possibly even just breathing.

"While the current [coronavirus] specific research is limited, the results of available studies are consistent with aerosolization of virus from normal breathing," according to the letter, written by Dr. Harvey Fineberg, chairman of a committee with the National Academy

of Sciences.

Fineberg said that he will start wearing a mask when he goes to the grocery store.

Several other experts are now talking about wearing masks every time you interact with the public during essential visits to places like your local grocery store or pharmacy.

Considering that people with no coronavirus symptoms at all can carry the virus, a simple conversation with someone like that could spread the virus to you if you are less than six feet apart.

MASK WEARING TIPS

DO:

- ✓ Wear a mask when you leave home
- ✓ Make sure it covers your nose and mouth
- ✓ Be sure that you can breathe through it
- ✓ Continue practicing social distancing

DON'T:

- ✗ Touch mask while wearing it
- ✗ Touch the front of mask when removing it
- ✗ Use on children under 2
- ✗ Wear if you have trouble breathing

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Avoiding Foggy Glasses for Mask Users

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

2. **Athletic tape** is also a possibility, however, if you wear the same mask day after day, the tape may harm the mask.

3. **Soapy water.** A British surgeon published a paper in 2011 showing that washing your glasses with soapy water and letting them air dry can help. Soap acts as a surfactant — which stands for surface active agent — and the soapy water leaves behind a thin film that stops the water molecules from forming droplets that lead to fog.

4. **You can buy commercial anti-fogging wipes** and sprays, but it could get expensive. One brand, FogTech Dx, sells on Amazon for \$30 for 20 wipes — or about \$1.50 per wipe. One treatment is supposed to last for three to five days

Wipe and sprays may be difficult to buy right now. Some sites we went to suggested you that they are on back order. Other sources say it may 2-4 weeks to get them online. However, if you know someone who is an avid swimmer he or she may have some.



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.

Support Group For Vets & First Responders

A new confidential support group for veterans and first responders is available at A Clean Slate on the corner of Broadway and First St. (Rt. 191) in Bangor.

The group meets the third Monday of the month from 7pm to 8pm. It is free.

A professional counselor will facilitate the group. All are welcome. No sign-up is needed. Call 610-452-9348 for more info.

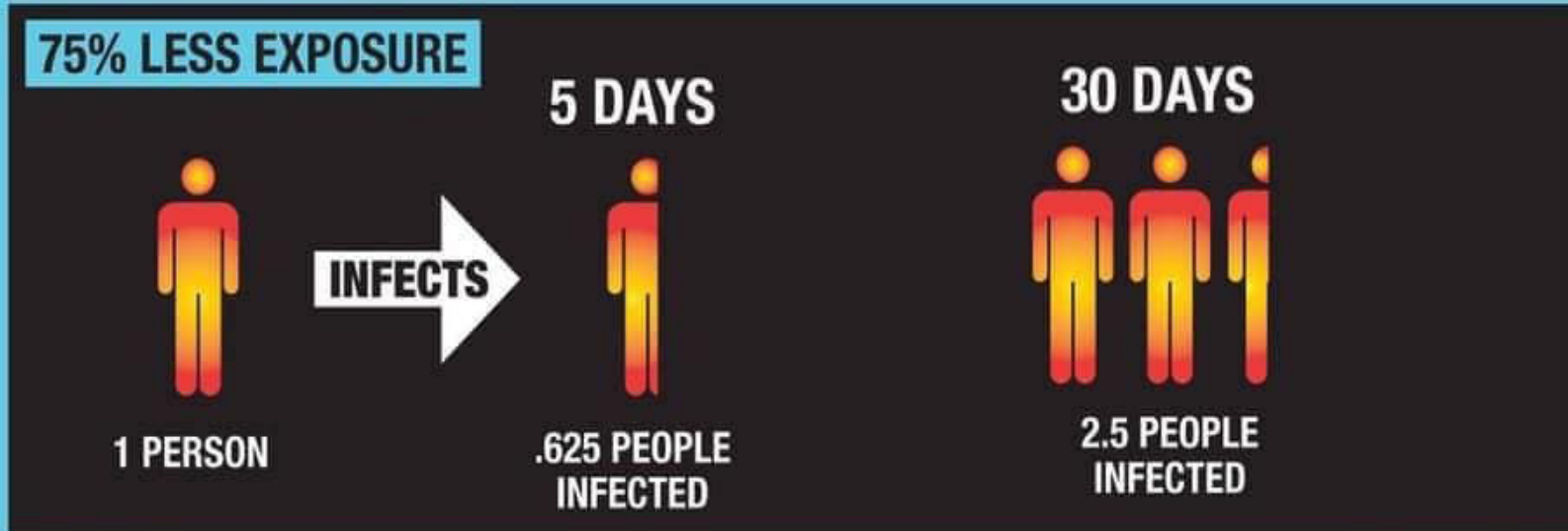
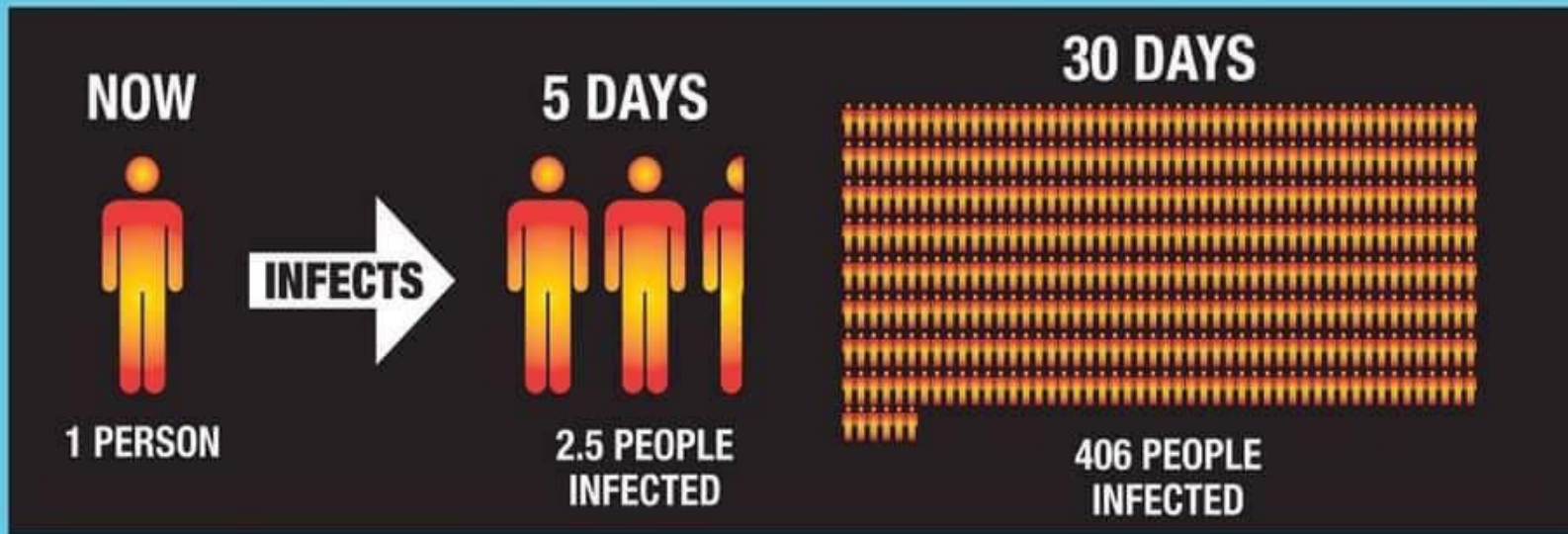
Restaurant Week

Coming this July 5-12! the Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce is asking the participating restaurants to pick a local business that will offer a discount. This will expand restaurant week to include retail stores. When you visit a restaurant during restaurant week, save your receipt and visit that participating retailer, show your receipt to receive a discount. If interested in participating in restaurant week call the office. Their display racks are getting a bit low with your business cards and flyers. Stop by today and update your information.

Struggling With Substances?

People struggling with substances can now walk in for drug and alcohol assessments at the Clean Slate Bangor, 100 South First Street St, Bangor 610-452-9348 Mondays from 10am - 12pm Many times this is the first step toward treatment and a new life.

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Mental Health Help During COVID-19

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Disaster Distress Helpline



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Get Help Now for substance use disorder



1-800-662-4357

Veterans in crisis



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PA's support helpline



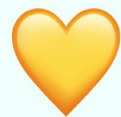
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Coping with COVID-19 stress



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COVID-19 resources



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org/covid19**



GUIDANCE FOR BUSINESSES CLOSED DURING COVID-19



As businesses enter the Yellow Phase of the state's reopening plan, owners and operators of dormant buildings should flush building water systems

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- ✓ Develop a flushing plan
 - ✓ Flush the entire building
 - ✓ Clean faucets, shower heads, and other fixtures
 - ✓ Inspect equipment and conduct necessary maintenance
 - ✓ Consider developing an ongoing water management plan



COVID-19

REOPENING PHASES

WORK & CONGREGATE SETTINGS

SOCIAL SETTINGS

RED PHASE

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

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

YELLOW PHASE

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

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

GREEN PHASE

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

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