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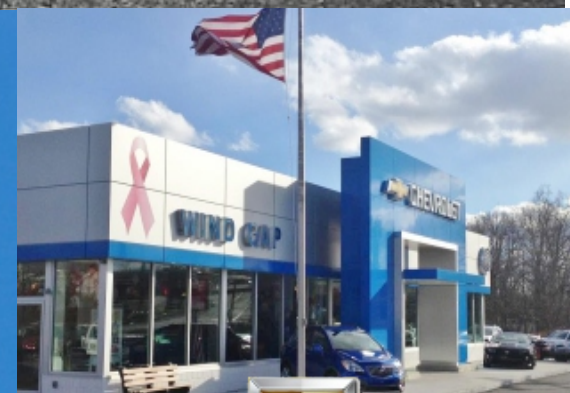
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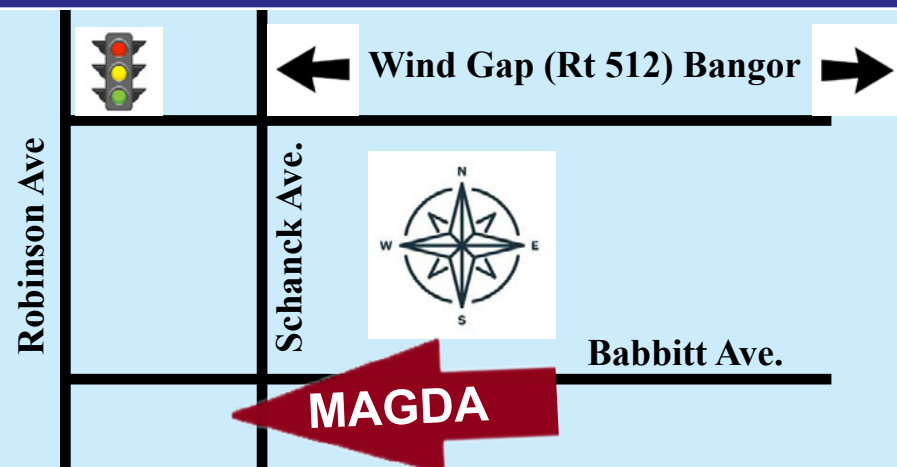
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Celebrating World Kindness Week

Flood's Bill Addresses Sexual Harassment

HARRISBURG – In response to recent cases of sexual harassment at the Capitol, five female members of the House Republican Caucus today unveiled a legislative package to make significant reforms to protect taxpayers and victims. Local Rep. Ann Flood was among the five members of the House to sponsor legislation. Others are: Rep. Abby Major, Rep. Kate Klunk, Rep. Donna Scheuren, and Rep. Charity Grimm Krupa.

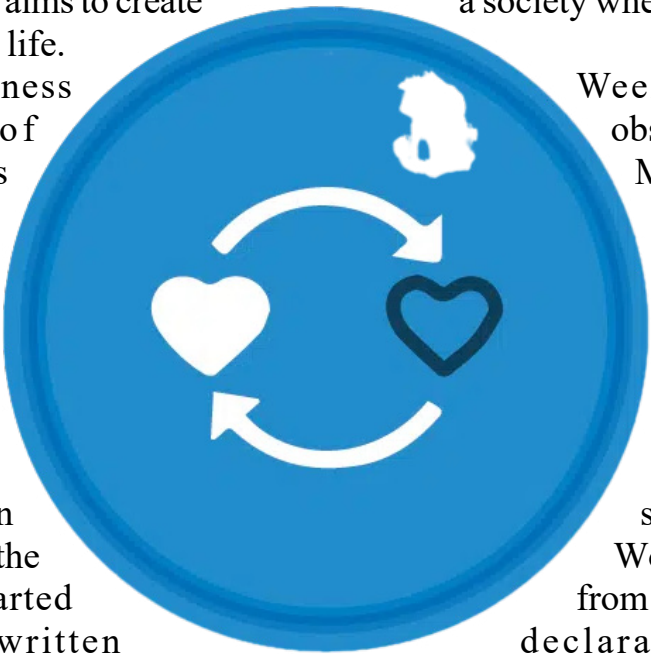


Flood's bill would enshrine the federal non-disclosure agreement law into state law. More specifically, it would prohibit the enforcement of pre-employment non-disclosure agreements and non-disparagement agreements between employers and employees, independent contractors, and between goods and services providers and consumers. In addition, it would void any agreements that were in place before a sexual assault or harassment dispute arises

We Are Wired To Be Kind

World Kindness Week, November 13-19, came into being when several humanitarian groups came together on November 13, 1997, and made a Declaration of Kindness. What started as World Kindness Day turned into World Kindness Week, where everyone is encouraged to make a similar declaration of kindness and charity. The week is celebrated by donating books, food, or clothes to local communities and pledging to empathize with other people. Even the smallest act of kindness can go a long way, and you should never pass up an opportunity to help someone in need. World Kindness Week aims to create a society where everyone can live a dignified life.

World Kindness as a week of World Kindness A group of institutions countries England, and America because of dedication to kindness in initial days of the Movement started created the written inception, which stated that the movement pledges to build a kinder and more compassionate world. It was only natural that they would help launch the inaugural World Kindness Week in 1997.



Week first began observation by the Movement. associations and based in like Thailand, Australia, came together their combined promoting society. The World Kindness from this event. They declaration of their

The sole purpose of this week is to focus on the positivity that surrounds us every day. It's a week to learn, teach, and share our kindness with others.

The root of the word 'kindness' originates from the Old English word 'kyndnes,' which is a derivative from the Middle English word 'kindenes,' a word for courtesy.

- Kindness is teachable
- We are psychologically wired to help someone in need.
- It's contagious
- Witnessing an act of kindness improves our mood, making us more likely to pay it forward.
- Kindness makes you live longer
- There's 44% less chance of dying early if you are kind.
- Serotonin source
- Like most medical antidepressants, kindness stimulates the production of serotonin.
- Kindness has anti-aging effects
- Perpetually kind people have 23% less stress hormone and age slower than the average population.

SBCC Annual Awards



Justin Huratiak (L) received a citation for Businessperson of the Year Rep. Ann Flood and Karen Brewer (R) a citation for Volunteer of the Year at a Certificate of Recognition at the annual dinner held at Allegheny Brewing Company in Mount Bethel.

Meet Santa and the Polar Express

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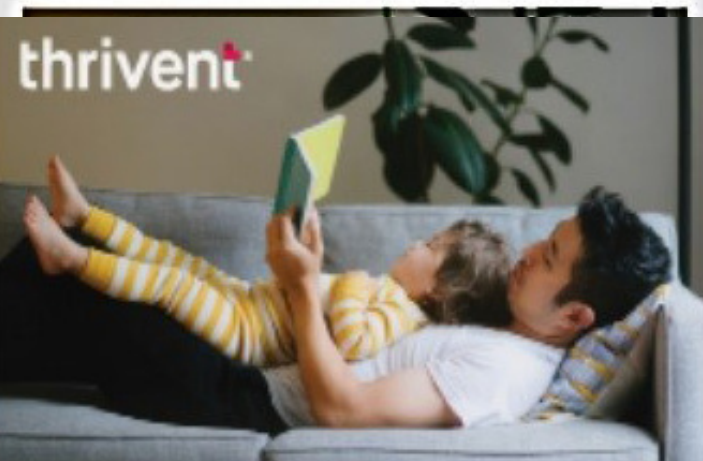
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ADOPTION DAY

Celebrating a Family for Every Child

National Adoption Day is a collective, grassroots effort to raise awareness of the more than 113,000 children waiting to be adopted from foster care in the United States. A coalition of national partners — the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption, Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute, Alliance for Children's Rights and Children's Action Network — launched National Adoption Day in 1999.

During this annual event, courts and organizations in more than 400 communities across the country have opened their doors on or around the Saturday before Thanksgiving to finalize and celebrate adoptions from foster care.



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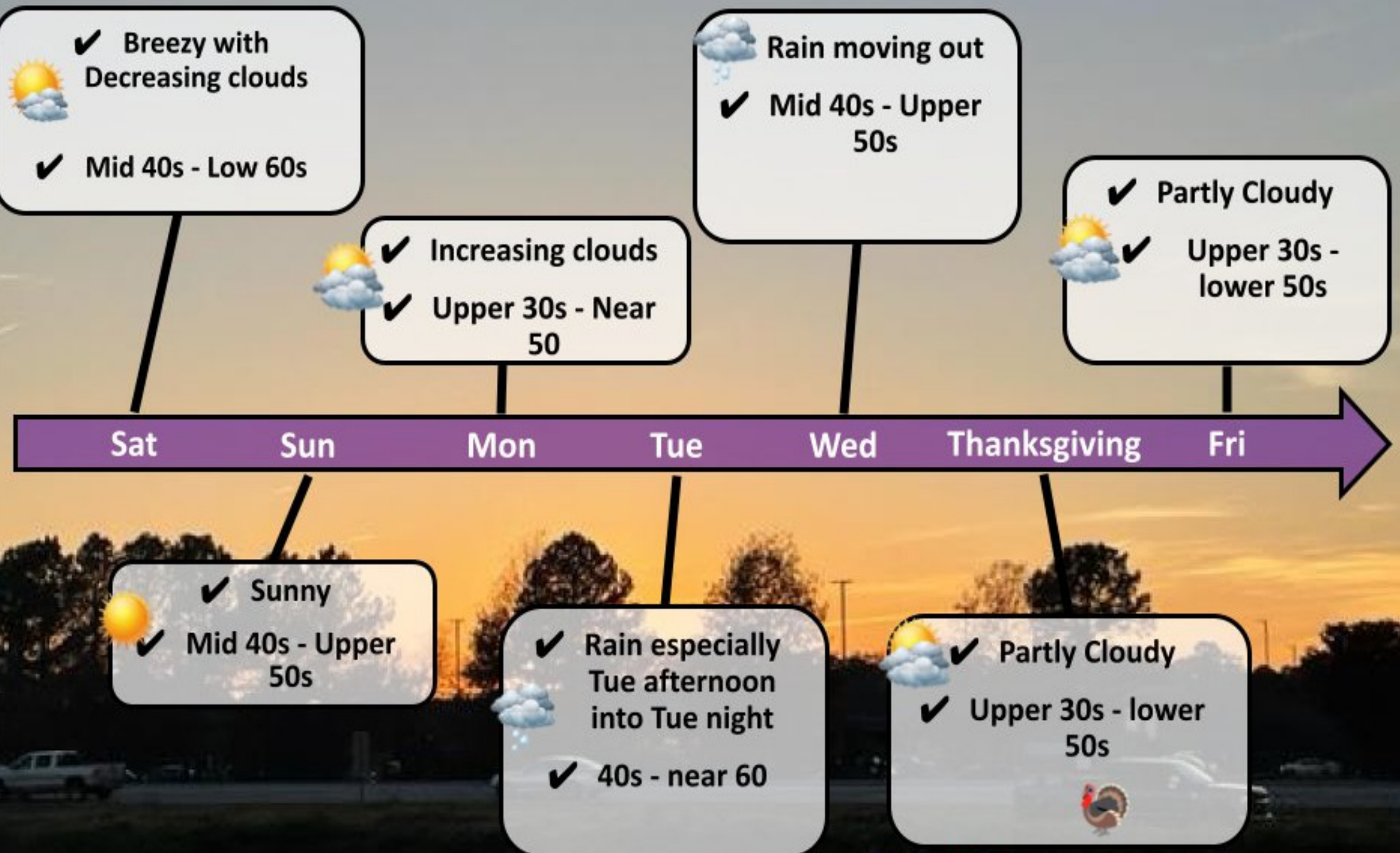
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Why Keeping A Secret Can Be Good For You

A Columbia University Study Explored The Benefits Of Keeping Secrets

By Isobel Williams via SWNS

Keeping secrets can be a good thing, according to new research.

Three-quarters of people (76 percent) said they would immediately share good news but the study suggests that keeping it a secret might brighten your day.

The research, published in the Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, involved more than 2,500 participants in five experiments.

Lead author Professor Michael Slepian from Columbia University said: "Decades of research on secrecy suggest it is bad for our well-being, but this work has only examined keeping secrets that have negative implications for our lives.

"Is secrecy inherently bad for our well-being or do the negative effects of secrecy tend to stem from keeping negative secrets?"

"While negative secrets are far more common than positive secrets, some of life's most joyful occasions begin as secrets, including secret marriage proposals, pregnancies, surprise gifts and exciting news."

People who reported that they intended to share their news with others also reported feeling more energized, whether the news was secret or not.

Participants were most energized when they were keeping their good news secret in order to surprise their partner later.

The research found that the reason positive secrets are so much better for you than negative secrets is that people keep positive secrets for internal or personal reasons, rather than because they feel forced by outside pressures to keep the information secret.

This contrasts with negative or embarrassing secrets which are often governed by external pressures or fears.

Professor Slepian said: "Positive secrets that people choose to keep should make them feel good, and positive emotion is a known predictor of feeling energized.

"People will often keep positive secrets for their own enjoyment, or to make a surprise more exciting.



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Study: Losing Sleep Puts Women At Greater Risk Of Diabetes

The Effects Were More Pronounced In Postmenopausal Women.

By Isobel Williams via SWNS

Losing sleep puts women at greater risk of diabetes, warns a new study.

Researchers found that shortening sleep by just 90 minutes for six weeks increased insulin resistance in women who are accustomed to getting adequate sleep.

The effect was even more pronounced in postmenopausal women.

The findings are the first to show that a mild sleep deficit causes changes in the body that raise the risk of developing diabetes in women.

Women in particular were studied because poor sleep may have a greater impact on women's cardiometabolic health than men's.

Previous studies exclusively looked at men with very severe sleep restriction over a short period of time.

Professor Marie-Pierre St-Onge from Columbia University said: "Throughout their lifespan, women face many changes in their sleep habits due to childbearing, child-rearing, and menopause. And more women than men have the perception they aren't getting enough sleep."

"Over a longer period of time, ongoing stress on insulin-producing cells could cause them to fail, eventually leading to type 2 diabetes."

Professor St-Onge added: "The fact that we saw these results independent of any changes in body fat, which is a known risk factor for type 2 diabetes, speaks to the impact of mild sleep reduction on insulin-producing cells and metabolism."

"The bottom line is that getting adequate sleep each night may lead to better blood sugar control and reduced risk for type 2 diabetes, especially among postmenopausal women."

To get these results researchers studied 38 healthy women, including 11 postmenopausal women, who routinely slept at least seven hours each night.

They then were required to shorten their night's sleep to around six hours for six weeks.

After the six weeks, results showed fasting insulin levels were increased by over 12 percent overall and by more than 15 percent among premenopausal women.



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Research: Do Women Or Men Gossip More?

Are Women Really Far More Likely To Gossip Than Men?

By James Gamble via SWNS

Women really are far more likely to gossip than men, according to a new study.

Researchers quizzing people on sharing found men were far less eager to share negative information about themselves than women.

However, when it came to gossiping about positive news, little difference was found between the genders in their propensity to spread information.

The authors of the study, published in the Journal of Experimental Social Psychology, suggest their results point towards men showing greater concern over the way people view them.

They also found that women enjoy gossiping far more than men - as shown by their reporting greater satisfaction with their levels of disclosure.

The international research team, from universities in the United States and Italy, sought to identify gender differences in information sharing in the digital age, as most existing research in this area predates the internet.

Given we now inhabit a world in which many share even the most private information on a variety of platforms each day, this latest study offers an updated insight into sharing in the digital age.

The researchers, from the Bayes Business School at Carnegie Mellon University in Philadelphia, and the Bocconi University in Milan, northern Italy, conducted three experiments involving more than a thousand participants.

In the first, participants reported times when they felt they were ‘dying’ to disclose information, and whether or not they had shared this information.

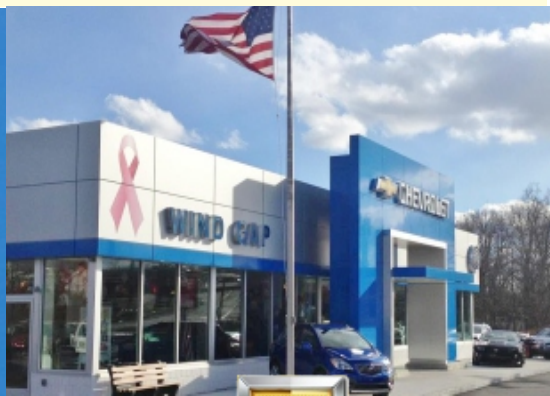
Two further studies allowed the researchers to quantify the desire to disclose and assess participants’ desire and propensity to disclose positive or negative information about differing topics and experiences.

Dr. Erin Carbone, a visiting Assistant Professor in the Department of Social and Decision Sciences at Carnegie Mellon University, said the pattern of women being more readily sharing negative information has never been identified before.



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Note: Santa receives HUNDREDS of letters in this mailbox every season and it takes Santa time to write back. Please understand that Santa's elves will not respond to messages or posts asking about the status of the letter. All responses from Santa will be received via USPS before Christmas Eve. We also ask that when dropping the letter off, please do not open the mailbox and move the mailbox for any reason. In addition, letters with no name or address will not receive a response.



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The Mosaic Youth Chorus Presents:

We Are Citizens of the World: Songs to Uplift, Inspire, and Empower.
Celebrating the inaugural season with the seasonal Winter Concert, the Mosaic Youth Chorus performs their winter concert on Sunday, November 19, 2023.

The inaugural seasonal concert, "We Are... Citizens of the World," will be performed at 4 pm at Holy Trinity Memorial Lutheran Church, at 604 Fourth St., Catasauqua, PA.

Exemplifying that unity comes through music, the choir will perform music in Ukrainian, French, Hebrew, Arabic, Latin, and English, representing music of many faiths and drawing attention to the plight of children experiencing conflict across the globe.

Tickets are available for \$15 suggested donation at the door. Children 17 & under are free.

Mosaic Youth Chorus invites interested new singers to join them for an evening of informal singing and holiday fun on Thursday November 30th from 6:30-8pm at Star of Bethlehem Church, 514 Third Ave., Bethlehem, PA. The choir is open to youth currently in grades 6 – 12, changed and unchanged voices.

For more info please email mosaicyouthchorus@gmail.com.

Celebrating their inaugural season under the leadership of Artistic/ Executive Director, Dr. Joy Hirokawa, The Mosaic Youth Chorus empowers diverse youth of the Lehigh Valley to create community, build empathy, and effect positive social change through choral singing.

The Mosaic Youth Chorus provides opportunities beyond the Lehigh Valley, with chorister preparation for Honor Choirs, such as the Bent, But Not Broken conference in Newark, DE focusing on the choral music of African American Composers, and the American Choral Directors Association Honor Choirs.

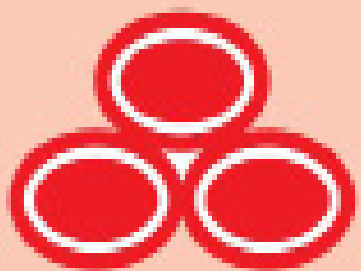
Dr. Hirokawa connects her deep knowledge of the music and artistry with the emotional needs of today's youth. Passionate about giving youth a platform to express themselves through the choral medium, Dr. Hirokawa comments "Singing in a choir provides a unique opportunity for young people to have a shared experience of community and unity. We dive deeply into the music, exploring not only historical context and musical aspects, but also motivations of the composer and lyricist.

"Growing Up Slater"

The Slate Belt Heritage Center has published another wonderful book filled with local Slate Belt memories. Authored by Nancy Traves Broadbent and Marc Blau, readers will be transported back to the 50's & 60's, when growing up in the Slate Belt taught all of us manners, trust, love for family and community. Take a walk down memory lane, relive your days at school, the Bee Hive, and take a walk around the block. Add your own memories to your copy and share with your family. This will make a wonderful gift for the holidays. A book signing will be held at the Heritage Center on Saturday, December 9th from Noon-2:00 PM. If you would like to pre-order send \$25.00 (with your name, address, phone number, email) to the Center and your book will be waiting for you at the day of signing. If you need the book mailed to you, add \$10.00 for shipping costs. Make checks payable and remit to the Slate Belt Heritage Center, 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA. Att: Marc Blau.

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Holiday shop outside and inside our Barn store for holiday specials, enter our raffle and a chance to win hourly door prizes!

Don't forget to bring your kids to our event for a world of sweet delights at the candy counter, endless fun in the bounce house and playground, and a chance to meet, feed and pet our adorable animals at the Petting Farm. It is a family fun day that you won't want to miss!

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LMBT Christmas Tree Lighting

Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony Saturday, December 2nd from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Save the Date! The LMBT Recreation Board will be hosting the 5th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony!

Joining us for the festivities will be the LMBT Sandt's Eddy Fire Company and the Fidelity Bank "Sweets and Treats" van. We'll be caroling, making crafts and enjoying FREE hot chocolate, cookies, hotdogs, popcorn and gifts for the children. And maybe, just maybe, Santa will surprise us and light the tree!

When: Saturday, December 2, 2023 from 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Where: LMBT Municipal Building, 2004 Hutchison Ave., Martins Creek, PA 18063

If you would like to volunteer for the festivities, or donate cookies, please contact Melissa at 610-252-5074

Santa Coming to LMBT



Santa is coming to Lower Mount Bethel Township on December 16th. We will be taking him around to see the little boys and girls of all ages on the firetruck if you want us to stop by your house call 484-221-2416 or 610-597-3802.

You can drop a wrap gift with child's name and address off at the firehouse any Monday evening and Santa will deliver on Dec 16th we plan on starting around 9am. Donations to help offset our cost is greatly appreciated.

Clean Slate Thanksgiving Day

Keeping with our tradition at A Clean Slate to provide a safe, sober, and open to all for fellowship, the center will be open on Thanksgiving Day from 10 to 2 with lite brunch items and all are welcomed. Together & Grateful 2023 is our theme and for more information call Greg at 610-452-9348, covered dishes as always welcomed

Fallmas Festival

Nothing could be better than enjoying a Fall festival and a Holiday festival all at the same time! Come and join us for the Fallmas Festival on November 18th!

We're looking for a variety of unique vendors & crafters, adult beverage vendors, and more to join us for a street festival you'll never forget! Below is the link to register for this wonderful well-advertised event located on S. Robinson Ave., Pen Argyl, PA 18072.

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For questions about the event text/call (272)-200-8163 or email blueflameevents@yahoo.com.

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Geek Fest

Join the Geek Fest June 22, 2024 at the South Mall.

It's okay to embrace the weird in the world! We're bringing a variety of unique and fun nerdy & geeky things to do throughout the day!

Come out and participate in the cosplay dress up contest for a chance to win something unique! Stop in at the mall arcade and play some classic video games or swing by one of the open space board game tables that will be set up throughout the mall. Don't forget to shop with vendors and artisans who will be set up with unique and weird items!

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We also ask that when dropping the letter off, please do not open the mailbox and move the mailbox for any reason. In addition, letters with no name or address will not receive a response.

Rental Snowshoes

Borrow snowshoe equipment to use on Jacobsburg's trails this winter. Snowshoes are available for folks of any age or shoe size, including small children. Snowshoes will not be made available during times of insufficient snow cover, at least six inches of snow is required. To borrow equipment, you must provide a driver's license or other form of state issued identification. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email jacobsburgsp@pa.gov. Check Their website for current conditions and snow depth: <https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/WinterReport/Pages/default.aspx>

November 17-19

Aladdin

Bangopr Area Middle School will present Aladdin Novemver 17-19.

November 18

Church Street Garage Bangor

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every Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon at our "Church Street Garage". The garage is located on our church grounds on the corner of Church and Third Streets in Bangor.

We offer a wide selection of new and gently-used items. All items are in working condition and are appropriately priced to increase your purchasing power. New product arrives weekly.

Let us help you enhance your holiday table with our lovely china, platters, bowls, stemware, and silver serving pieces.

We can help solve your gift-giving decisions with hand-made crafts, knitted hats, scarves, gloves, mosaics, and holiday decorations. We have fun items, particularly a ping-pong, foosball, pool, and air hockey table. Many items are "make an offer".

Check us out on Facebook at "Church Street Garage Bangor"

UMBT Vets Day & Fireworks

The UMBT Parks & Recreation Board would like to invite you to attend our Veterans Day Fireworks event on November 18th, 2023 at 2PM. We are planning to have Touch-A-Truck, military vehicles on display, Food Trucks, Beverage vendors, Music, some outdoor games, etc.

We will also be collecting donations for the Slate Belt Disabled Veterans Housing Complex. Information can be found at www.sbva.org.

More importantly, we would like our community to come together to honor all who served.

Fallmas Festival

Nothing could be better than enjoying a Fall festival and a Holiday festival all at the same time! Come and join us for the Fallmas Festival on November 18th!

We're looking for a variety of unique vendors & crafters, adult beverage vendors, and more to join us for a street festival you'll never forget! Below is the link to register for this wonderful well-advertised event located on S. Robinson Ave., Pen Argyl, PA 18072.

<https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSePv1OJg.../viewform...>

For questions about the event text/call (272)-200-8163 or email blueflameevents@yahoo.com.

<https://facebook.com/events/s/fallmas-festival/1251630165542767/>

November 21

Disney Night

Bangor High School will hold Disney Night in the Performing Arts Theater starting at 7:00pm sday November 21.

November 24-25

Bangor Womens Club

GFWC Holiday Wreath Sale Nov 24 & 25

The Bangor Womens Club GFWC will be selling beautifully decorated holiday wreaths inside the Bangor Public Library on Fri Nov 24 and Sat Nov 25, 2023 from 10 am to 3 pm. The proceeds from the sale will be donated to the library. The Bangor Club is a non-profit community service organization. Please stop by to support this very worthy project.

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December 1

Tree Lighting With Santa in Washington Twsp.

More Details to come on Facebook.

December 2

Bangor Tree Lighting

Bangor Borough Holiday Artisan Market & Tree Lighting 45 Broadway, Bangor Saturday, December 2, 2023 At 1 Pm – 6 Pm

Join us downtown Bangor for the 3rd annual Holiday Artisan Market! Shop with an wonderful and unique selection of artisans! Be sure to enjoy delicious food from a variety of food trucks. Stick around for the live music, a visit from Santa and the town tree lighting.

LMBT Christmas Tree Lighting

Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony Saturday, December 2nd from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Save the Date! The LMBT Recreation Board will be hosting the 5th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony! Joining us for the festivities will be the LMBT

Sandt's Eddy Fire Company and the Fidelity Bank "Sweets and Treats" van. We'll be caroling, making crafts and enjoying FREE hot chocolate, cookies, hotdogs, popcorn and gifts for the children. And maybe, just maybe, Santa will surprise us and light the tree!

When: Saturday, December 2, 2023 from 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Where: LMBT Municipal Building, 2004 Hutchison Ave., Martins Creek, PA 18063

If you would like to volunteer for the festivities, or donate cookies, please contact Melissa at 610-252-5074

MD Performance Horses Sale

A sale on Saturday, December 2 from 10-2 in MD Performance Horses in Bangor.

Please help spread the word as I would like to reach more local businesses this season. They do not have to be horse related.

Single spaces reserved by Nov 15th are only \$15. PM me for more information or to send payment as I am the only contact for the event.

Only 50 total spaces available, first come first serve.

\$20 for a single space \$35 for a double. Entry level thru high end hunter, western, dressage tack, home decor, apparel and much much more! Single spaces are 12x12, doubles are 12x24.

Vendor set up begins at 8:30am. All vendors bring their own tables, saddle racks, clothing bars etc. WE DO NOT PROVIDE TABLES. Held indoors rain or shine. Food vendor on site.

All reservations must be paid in advance no exceptions. We are hosting the sale in our main indoor to fill with vendors, spaces are first come first serve. We also heaters if it happens to be chilly.

Marissa Beers is the ONLY contact taking reservations and Payments via Venmo or Check

December 3

Painting with A Purpose Christmas Edition

Painting with a Twist (Bethlehem, PA) Event by Pink Heals Lehigh Valley Chapter Sunday, December 3, 2023 At 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Save the Date to join us on December 3rd for another fun afternoon as we get into the Christmas Spirit by painting Galactic Christmas Eve. We will add the link to register as soon as it becomes available.

Don't think you can paint? Don't worry; the instructors break it down step-by-step for you to create your very own masterpiece.

This event is open to those 18 and older. Those 13-17 are welcome to attend, provided they are accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Arrive 30 minutes prior and join us for a "happy half-hour" to unwind, mix and mingle.

50% of all proceeds go towards their benevolent fun to help those in need in our community..

December 5

Library Fund Raiser

On sday, December 5, 2023, the Slate Pub in Pen Argyl will sponsor a Fundraiser for the Blue Mountain Community Library. The Pub will generously donate a percentage of all food sales that day, from noon until closing, both eat-in and take-out, to the library. Anyone patronizing the Pub that day will enjoy good food and will help the library at the same time. The Slate Pub is located at 509 East Main Street, Pen Argyl, PA. Check out their menu at www.slatepub.com

December 6

Winter Choir Concert

The Bangor Area High School Winter Choir Concert will be held Wednesday December 6th at 7:30 PM in the Bangor Performing Arts Theater.

December 9

Blue Flame Events is bringing holiday fun from 9-3 December 9 to the Slate Belt Branch of the Greater Valley YMCA for the 3rd year! We're thrilled about this event! We're looking for vendors and crafters for this festive event! Space is limited here so be sure to register early!

To request a registration text (272)-200-8163 or [email blueflameevents@yahoo.com](mailto:blueflameevents@yahoo.com)!

Vendor/Crafter Cost = \$40 per space

Lookout Holiday Market

Lookout Fire Company is looking for vendors, crafters, and artisan makers to come be apart of their Holiday Market on Saturday December 9th from 10am - 3PM.

This holiday market will be the perfect place to get all those unique and special gifts for everyone on your Christmas list and more.

For more information on how to be apart of this great opportunity send us an email to events@lookoutfireco.com

Festive Holiday at All Aspects

Join us for a festive Holiday experience at All Aspects at the Barn for our Santa's Christmas Market & Holiday Festival Saturday December 9 from 10-4.

Shop several local Artisan vendor tents, savor a delicious meal from our food trucks, enjoy wine and beer from Stone Lake Winery, listen to live music all day and create lasting memories with Photos along side of Santa at our 1951 Ford F1 pick up truck with Photography by Lauren Kinsel.

Holiday shop outside and inside our Barn store for holiday specials, enter our raffle and a chance to win hourly door prizes!

Don't forget to bring your kids to our event for a world of sweet delights at the candy counter, endless fun in the bounce house and playground, and a chance to meet, feed and pet our adorable animals at the Petting Farm. It is a family fun day that you won't want to miss!

Embrace the winter magic at our festival and cozy up by the inviting fire pits at our new Pavilion.

TIME: Artisan Vendor Tents, Food Trucks and Festival: 10am -4pm; Photos with Santa & Live Music 11am-4pm

FREE ADMISSION.

LOCATION: All Aspects at the Barn is located at 1584 S Delaware Drive, Upper Mount Bethel, PA 18343.

PARKING: Pull in, drive straight through the gates and around the back of our store. We have lots of parking behind the Barn.

INTERESTED VENDORS can email Becky, with All Aspects at the Barn at AllAspectsRecycled@gmail.com

December 13

Bangor Bands Winter Concert

Bangor Area High School Bands Winter Concert will be held Wednesday December 13, 7:30 PM in the Performing Arts Theatre 187 Five Points Richmond Rd Bangor, PA

December 15

Bell Tower Christmas Celebration

Join everyone at the Bell Tower Friday, December 15, 2023 at 7:00 PM for a delightful evening filled with the joy and charm of a traditional country Christmas celebration. With guest artists, Norm Williams and Tom & Betty Drunkenmiller, you will experience was Old World Mountain Music was really like.

These nationally acclaimed artists will perform a holiday program that will have you in getting into the Christmas Spirit. And in what better place than the former Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, now recreated to be the Bell Tower Cultural Center.

The Bell Tower ocated at 2904 Church Road, Bangor, PA 18063, just north of Martins Creek, PA, the event venue will transport you to a bygone era, where the spirit of Christmas is celebrated in its most authentic form. Immerse yourself in the delightful melodies of live music performances, featuring lthe Banjo, Dulcimer and Fiddle.

Don't miss out on this magical event that captures the essence of an Old World Country Christmas. Mark your calendars and bring your loved ones along for an unforgettable evening of joy, laughter, and holiday spirit! Please join them.

December 16

Santa Coming to LMBT

Santa is coming to Lower Mount Bethel Township on December 16th. We will be taking him around to see the little boys and girls of all ages on the firetruck if you want us to stop by your house call 484-221-2416 or 610-597-3802.

You can drop a wrap gift with child's name an adress off at the firehouse any Monday evening

and Santa will deliver on Dec 16th we plan on starting around 9am. Donations to help offset our cost is greatly appreciated.

December 16-17

Enchanted Market

Join Blue Flame Events & Palmer Park Mall for the 2-day Enchanted Market on December 16th-17th from 11am to 4pm. This unique last minute holiday shopping experience will include thoughtful gifts from a variety of vendors & crafters who'll be set up throughout the mall with one-of-kind gifts. While you're there join in the fun with free family crafts, an ugly sweater contest, and much more!

We're still accepting vendors & crafters to join us for this wonderful event. Simply click the registration link below to sign up, or text (272)-200-8163, or email blueflameevents@yahoo.com.

Registration Link: <https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSdAQyXCJxd.../viewform...>

Facebook Link: <https://facebook.com/events/s/enchanted-holiday-market/1150043785672430/>

For more information on upcoming events see us on the web at www.blueflameevents.co

March 9

POP Fusion Expo

Finally, a unique pop culture event for everyone to enjoy March 9 , 11-4 at the Palmert Park Mall! Whether you're into anime, comics, cosplay, or horror this will be an event for you!

Come dressed as your favorite character! Take photos with friends! Check out up and coming artists. Find your favorite comic books and more!

Are you interested in being part of the entertainment? Text or call (272)-200-8163.

To request a vendor registration text (272)-200-8163 or email kstocker@blueflameevents.co.

Vendor Cost = \$45 per space

May 11

Flash Back to the 70s in April 2024

We're flashing back to the 1970's! Put on your best hippie attire and join us for Plantstock, inside the Palmer Park Mall! Enjoy those 70's sounds playing while you shop with a variety of vendors and crafters selling everything including houseplants, garden supplies, and more! There will also be some non-planty vendors and crafters joining us for those who just aren't plant people. While you're there, be sure to enter the best dressed hippie costume and be entered for a chance to win a prize! Also, before you leave, stop and get your photo taken and receive a free digital download to take home! Saturday, May 11, 2024 at 11 AM

February 24

Magical Mind & Spirit Expo

The Magical Mind & Spirit Expo are coming 11am February 24 to the South Mall in Allentown! Find yourself surrounded by alternative healing, natural & holistic vendors, mystical & magical vendors, guest speakers, and much more! We hope that you will join us for this magical day!

We're accepting unique vendors! We're also looking for guest speakers and demonstrators. To register text/call (272)-200-8163 or email kstocker@blueflameevents.co.

Not able to attend? That's okay! We have some fantastic advertising packages available that will guarantee your noticed at the event! For more information text/call (272)-200-8163 or email kstocker@blueflameevents.co.

March 16

Kilts & Shamrock Fest

Grab your best tartan and your luck shamrock and join us for the Kilts & Shamrock Fest 11am - 4pm March 16 at the South Mall.

Come out and participate in the best dressed tartan wearing contest and shamrock scavenger hunt.

While you're there be sure to check out our selection of unique vendors & crafters!

We're looking for unique vendors & crafters to join us for this event. To register text (272)-200-8163 or email kstocker@blueflameevents.co.

Advertising opportunities are also available! To request more information simply text/call (272)-200-8163 or email kstocker@blueflameevents.co

June 22

Geek Fest

Join the Geek Fest June 22, 2024 at the South Mall.

It's okay to embrace the weird in the world! We're bringing a variety of unique and fun nerdy & geeky things to do throughout the day!

Come out and participate in our cosplay dress up contest for a chance to win something unique! Stop in at the mall arcade and play some classic video games or swing by one of the open space board game tables that will be set up throughout the mall.

Don't forget to shop with vendors and artisans who will be set up with unique and weird items!

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Regular Events Calendar

Thursday November 16
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 November 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 November 18
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 November 19
Slate Belt Heritage Center - Open 12-3.
Slate Belt YMCA - 10-2

Monday November 20
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
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

sday November 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 - 7pm
Wind Gap Boro - Council 7pm

Wednesday November 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 November 23
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 - 8:00pmm

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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 November 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 November 26
Fellowship Dinner - First UMC Bangor, 12:30-1:30.
Portland Sunday Sundaes - 6:30 - 8:00pm (Summer only)
Slate Belt Heritage Center - Open 12-3.
Slate Belt YMCA - 10-2

Monday November 27
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
Bangor Borough Council - Workshop, Bee Hive, 7:00pm
Pump - 8:30-11:30
UMBT Supervisors -7pm
Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm

sday November 28
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
Washington Twp. Recreation - 7pm
Roseto Zoning - 7pm
Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm
UMBT Zoning - 7pm Room, 7pm

Wednesday November 29
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 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show
Washington Township Supervisors Meet - Municipal Building, 3:30pm.
Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm
Plainfield Zoning - 6:30pm
UMBT Open Space Advisory 7pm

Thursday November 30
Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm
Bangor Public Library - Open 10-8
Slate Belt Senior Center - Open 8-4. Blue Valley Farm Show
Slate Belt YMCA - 6:00am - 8:00pm

Friday December 1
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 December 2
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 December 3
Fellowship Dinner - East Bangor UMC, 4-6.
Slate Belt Heritage Center - Open 12-3.
Slate Belt YMCA - 10-2
All-You-Can Eat Breakfast - Bangor Elks 8-12pm. Adults \$10. Kid 6-12 \$6. Under 6 - Free.

Monday December 4
HAPPY FOURTH OF December

sday December 5

Regular Events

Bingo - Portland Fire Co., 7pm.
Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12
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, 10-12
Pen Argyl Woman's Club Meets 1:30 pm St. John's Lutheran.
Plainfield Parks & Rec - 7pm
Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm
Wind Gap Boro Council - 7pm (Monday Holiday meet sday)

Wednesday December 6
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 December 7
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
Plainfield Environmental Advisory Board - Municipal Building, 7:00pm
Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm
Wind Gap Planning - 7pm

Friday December 8
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 December 9
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 December 10
Breakfast - Bushkill Volunteer Fire C. 7:30-12:30.
Fellowship Dinner - Breaking Bread soup kitchen, 4:00pm. Cross Road Baptist, Bangor.
Slate Belt Heritage Center - Open 12-3.
Slate Belt YMCA - 10-2

Monday December 11
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 Auth. - 4:30pm (If needed)
Pen Argyl Municipal Auth. - 5pm (If needed)
Bangor Borough Council - Meets Bee Hive Community Center, 7pm
Portland Council - 7pm
Pump - 8:30-11:30
Upper Mount Bethel Supervisors - Meets 7:00pm
Roseto Borough Council - Municipal Building, 7:30pm
Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm

sday December 12
Bingo - Portland Fire Co., 7pm.
Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12
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, 10-12
Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pm

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Bingo - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm. Bingo 6:45 pm.
Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12
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 December 14
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 December 15
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
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Sunday December 17
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Slate Belt YMCA - 10-2

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Plainfield Township Planning Commission - Municipal Building, 7:00 pm.
Lower Mount Bethel Supervisors - Meets Centerfield Building - 7pm
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Slate Belt YMCA - Open 6:00am - 8:00pmm

Friday December 22
Bingo - Bushkill Fire Co. Doors 5pm. Bingo 7pm.
Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12 & 6-8pm

SLATE BELT CHURCH INFORMATION



Trinity Lutheran Church

404 Broadway Bangor (610-588-20)

telcbangor@frontier.com

Sunday worship 10:30am

Holy Communion: First and Third Sundays

Masks optional.

East Bangor UMC

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

Nov 18A.A Meeting 8pm

Nov 19 9:30 a.m. Worship Service

(Live & on Zoom) 10:45 Fellowship Hour

(For Zoom, go to ebumc.org to sign in)

Nov 22 - 10:30am & 7pm - Bible Study

Grace Lutheran Church

5907 Sullivan Trail, Nazareth Pa 18064

Nov. 19- 25th Sunday After Pentacost

Holy Communion 9:00am

Sunday Morning Adventures - 10:15

www.gracebelfastpa.org 610-759-9080

Email: gracebelfast@rcn.com

Flicksville UCC

1337 Lower South Main St., Bangor

Pastor Ken Hess 610-588-4648

www.flicksvilleucc.com

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Children & Adult Sunday School 9:30

Worship at 10:45 AM

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church

703 South Delaware Drive Mt. Bethel,
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Pen Argyl High School Fall Sports Schedule



Pen Argyl Golf (9-6)

Thu 8/10/	Palmerton @ Pen Argyl	W
Mon 8/14/	Pen Argyl @ Moravian Academy	L
8/15/	Northwestern @ Pen Argyl	L
Thu 8/17/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	W
Mon 8/21/	Pen Argyl @ Southern Lehigh	L
8/22/	Wilson @ Pen Argyl	W
Thu 8/24/	Saucon Valley @ Pen Argyl	W
Mon 8/28/	Pen Argyl @ Salisbury	W
8/29/	Notre Dame G.P. @ Pen Argyl	L
9/5/	Moravian Academy @ Pen Argyl	L
Thu 9/7/	Pen Argyl @ Northwestern	L
Mon 9/11/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	W
Thu 9/14/	Pen Argyl @ Palmerton	W
Thu 9/14	Pleasant Valley	W
Thu 9/21	Stroudsburg	W

Pen Argyl Girls Soccer (4-10)

Fri 8/25	Pocono Mt. West @ Pen Argyl	W 9-0
8/29/	Wilson @ Pen Argyl	W 5-0
Thu 8/31/	Pen Argyl @ Northwestern	L 8-0
9/5/	Catasauqua @ Pen Argyl	W 7-0
Thu 9/7/	Pen Argyl @ Notre Dame G.P.	L 5-1
Wed 9/13/	Northern Lehigh @ Pen Argyl	L 7-1
Sat 9/16/	Pen Argyl @ Palisades	L 2-0
Mon 9/18/	Salisbury @ Pen Argyl	W 5-0
Wed 9/20/	Pen Argyl @ Moravian	L 3-0
9/26/	Southern Lehigh @ Pen Argyl	L 6-0
Thu 9/28/	Pen Argyl @ Saucon Valley	L 8-4
Mon 10/2/	Palmerton @ Pen Argyl	L 7-3
Wed 10/4/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	L 10-2
10/10	Lehighton @ Pen Argyl	L 4-0
Senior Day 10/2		

Pen Argyl Boys Cross Country (0-18)

Fri 8/25	Lion Invitational @ Moravian	2:50pm
Wed 9/6/	Bangor, Notre Dame Palisades, Pen Argyl Saucon Valley, Wilson @ Moravian Academy	4:00pm
9/12/	Wilson, Pen Argyl, Palmerton, Northwestern, Northern Lehigh @ Bangor	4:00pm
9/19/	S. Lehigh Salisbury, Pen Argyl, Catasauqua, Bangor @ Wilson	4:00pm
9/26/	Wilson, Saucon Valley, Palisades, Notre Dame G.P., Moravian Academy, Bangor @ Pen Argyl	4:00pm
10/3/	Wilson, Pen Argyl, Northwestern, Northern Lehigh, Bangor @ Palmerton	4:00pm
10/10/	Wilson, Salisbury, Pen Argyl, Catasauqua, Bangor @ Southern Lehigh	4:30pm

Pen Argyl Girls Cross Country (5-13)

Fri 8/25	Lion Invitational @ Moravian	2:50pm
Wed 9/6/	Bangor, Notre Dame Palisades, Pen Argyl Saucon Valley, Wilson @ Moravian Academy	4:00pm
9/12/	Wilson, Pen Argyl, Palmerton, Northwestern, Northern Lehigh @ Bangor	4:00pm
9/19/	S. Lehigh Salisbury, Pen Argyl, Catasauqua, Bangor @ Wilson	4:00pm
9/26/	Wilson, Saucon Valley, Palisades, Notre Dame G.P., Moravian Academy, Bangor @ Pen Argyl	4:00pm
10/3/	Wilson, Pen Argyl, Northwestern, Northern Lehigh, Bangor @ Palmerton	4:00pm
10/10/	Wilson, Salisbury, Pen Argyl, Catasauqua, Bangor @ Southern Lehigh	4:30pm

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Pen Argyl High School Fall Sports Schedule



Pen Argyl Football (6-5)

8/26/	Wilson @ Pen Argyl	W 49-20
9/2/	Mahanoy @ Pen Argyl	W 43-13
9/8/	Pen Argyl @ Northern Lehigh	L 16-12
9/16/	Northwestern @ Pen Argyl	L 41-7
9/22/	Pen Argyl @ Catasauqua	W 36-14
9/29/	Pen Argyl @ Minersville	L 35-20
10/7/	Palisades @ Pen Argyl	W 21-17
10/14/	Schuylkill Haven @ Pen Argyl	L 28-21
10/20/	Pen Argyl @ Panther Valley	W 13-0
10/27/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	L 14-0
11/04/	Mahanoy @ Pen Argyl	W 26-6

Pen Argyl Tennis (3-9)

Mon 8/21/	Wilson @ Pen Argyl	L 5-0
Wed 8//	Pen Argyl @ Salisbury	W 4-0
Mon 8/28/	Pen Argyl @ Notre Dame G.P.	L 3-2
Thu 8/31/	Pen Argyl @ Palisades	L 3-1
	Notrre Dame ES	W 3-2
Mon 9/12/	Moravian Academy @ Pen Argyl	L 5-0
Wed 9/13/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	L 4-1
Thu 9/14	Southern Lehigh	L 5-0
Mon 9/18/	Salisbury @ Pen Argyl	W 4-0
Wed 9/20	Pen Argyl @ Jim Thorpe	L 4-1
Thu 9/21	Saucon Valley	L 5-0
Mon 9/26/	Palisades @ Pen Argyl (Sr. Day)	L 5-0

Pen Argyl Girls Volleyball (4-10)

Mon 8/28/	Notre Dame G.P. @ Pen Argyl	L 3-0
Wed 8/30/	Pen Argyl @ Northwestern	L 3-0
9/5/	Southern Lehigh @ Pen Argyl	L 3-0
Thu 9/7/	Pen Argyl @ Catasauqua	L 3-0
Sat 9/09	Pleasant Valley	L 3-0
Mon 9/11/	Palmerton @ Pen Argyl	W 3-0
Wed 9/13/	Saucon Valley @ Pen Argyl	L 3-0
Thu 9/21/	Pen Argyl @ Notre Dame G.P.	L 3-0
Mon 9/25/	Northwestern @ Pen Argyl	L 3-0
Wed 9/27/	Pen Argyl @ Southern Lehigh	L 3-0
Sat 9/30	ESN @ Pen Argyl	W 3-0
Mon 10/2/	Catasauqua @ Pen Argyl	W 3-0
Wed 10/4/	Pen Argyl @ Palmerton	W 3-0

Pen Argyl Field Hockey (6-9-3)

Sat 8/26/	Palisades @ Pen Argyl	W 1-0
Mon 8/28	Pen Argyl @ Moravian	L 3-0
Wed 8/30/	Palmerton @ Pen Argyl	W 2-1
Thu 8/31	Pen Argyl @ Lehigh	L 5-1
Wed 9/6/	Wilson @ Pen Argyl	L 3-0
Sat 9/9/	Pen Argyl @ Saucon	T 1-1
Wed 9/13/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	L 4-1
Sat 9/16	ESS @ Pen Argyl	W 3-2
9/19/	Moravian @ Pen Argyl	W 1-0
Thu 9/21/	Northwestern @ Pen Argyl	L 3-0
Sat 9/25	Salisbury @ Pen Argyl	T 0-0
Wed 9/27/	Pen Argyl @ Wilson	W 1-0
Sat 9/30/	Pen Argyl @ S. Lehigh	L 5-0
10/3/	Pen Argyl @ Catasauqua	L 3-1
Thu 10/5/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	L 1-0
Mon 10/10/	Pen Argyl @ N, Lehigh	W 1-0
Thu 10/12	Pleasant V. @ Pen Argyl	T 0-0
Fri 10/13	Pen Argyl @ Whitehall	L 1-0
Youth Day 9/16		
Senior Day 9/25		

Pen Argyl Boys Soccer (2-14)

Sat 8/26	Pen Argyl @ Shenandoah	W 3-2
Sat 8/26	TBA @ Pine Grove	L 3-0
8/29/	Pen Argyl @ Wilson	L 1-0
Thu 8/31/	Northwestern @ Pen Argyl	L 11-0
9/5/	Pen Argyl @ Catasauqua	L 2-0
Thu 9/7/	Notre Dame G.P. @ Pen Argyl	L 8-0
Thu 9/14/	Pen Argyl @ Northern Lehigh	L 1-0
Sat 9/16/	Palisades @ Pen Argyl	W 3-0
Mon 9/18/	Pen Argyl @ Salisbury	L3-2
Wed 9/20/	Moravian @ Pen Argyl	L 7-0
9/26/	Pen Argyl @ Southern Lehigh	L 8-1
Thu 9/28/	Saucon Valley @ Pen Argyl	L 2-1
Mon 10/2/	Pen Argyl @ Palmerton	L 2-1
Wed 10/4/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	L 2-0
Wed 10/6	NDES @ Pen Argyl	L 2-1
Sat 10/7	at Jim Thorpe	L 8-3



Bangor High School Fall Sports Schedule



Bangor Girls Soccer (6-10-2)

Mon 8/25	ESN @ Bangor	W 11-0
8/26	Bangor @ Libery	T 0-0
8/29/	Bangor @ Northern Lehigh	L 6-0
Thu 8/31/	Palisades @ Bangor	L 3-0
9/5/	Bangor @ Salisbury	W 5-0
Wed 9/6	Bangor @ Stroudsburg	L 1-0
Mon 9/11	Bangor @ Pleasant Valley	L 2-1
9/12/	Bangor @ Southern Lehigh	L 7-1
Thu 9/14/	Saucon Valley @ Bangor	L 8-2
Sat 9/16/	Bangor @ Palmerton	L 5-0
Wed 9/20/	Wilson @ Bangor	W 4-0
9/26/	Bangor @ Northwestern	L 3-0
Thu 9/28/	Catasauqua @ Bangor	W 5-1
Mon 10/2/	Bangor @ Notre Dame G.P.	T 3-3
Wed 10/4/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	W 10-2
Thu 10/5	Moravian @ Bangor	L 3-1
Sat 10/7	Bangor @ Northampton	L 1-0
10/11	NDGP @ Bangor	W 3-2
Youth Night 9/28		
Senior Night 10/4		

Bangor Boys Soccer (10-8-2)

Mon 8/25	Bangor @ ESN	W 12-0
8/26	North Pocono @ Bangor	L 3-1
8/29/	Northern Lehigh @ Bangor	W 3-1
Thu 8/31/	Bangor @ Palisades	T 1-1
9/5/	Salisbury @ Bangor	W 4-0
Thu 9/7/	Bangor @ Moravian	L 7-0
9/12/	Southern Lehigh @ Bangor	L 1-0
Thu 9/14/	Bangor @ Saucon Valley	W 1-0
Sat 9/16/	Palmerton @ Bangor	W 1-0
Wed 9/20/	Bangor @ Wilson	W 1-0
Fri 9/22	NDES @ Bangor	W 3-0
9/26/	Northwestern @ Bangor	L 2-0
Fri 9/29	Bangor @ ESS	W 2-1
Thu 9/28/	Bangor @ Catasauqua	W 5-0
Mon 10/2/	Notre Dame G.P. @ Bangor	L 6-2
Wed 10/4/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	W 2-0
Sat 10/7	Northampton @ Bangor	L 7-0
Mon 10/9	Wallenpaupack @ Bangor	T 0-0
M10/15	Southern Lehigh	L 1-0 (2ot)
Oct 25	Southern Lehigh	L 2-0

Bangor Field Hockey (10-8-2)

Sat 8/26/	Saucon Valley @ Bangor	W 2-1
Mon 8/28/	Bangor @ Wilson	W 1-0
Wed 8/30/	Bangor @ Palisades	W 5-1
9/5/	Bangor @ Moravian	L 3-2
Sat 9/9/	N. Lehigh @ Bangor	W 5-0
Mon 9/11/	Bangor @ Palmerton	L 4-1
Wed 9/13/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	W 2-0
9/19/	Wilson @ Bangor	T 1-1
Thu 9/21/	Bangor @ Salisbury	W 2-1
Fri 9/22/	S. Lehigh @ Bangor	L 1-0
Wed 9/27/	Moravian @ Bangor	L 5-0
Fri 9/29/	Catasauqua @ Bangor	W 2-1
Sat 9/30	Bangor @ ESS	W 2-1
Mon 10/2	Pleasant Valley @ Bangor	W 5-0
10/3/	Bangor @ Northwestern	L 4-0
Thu 10/5/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	W 1-0
Sat 10/7	Bangor @ Northampton	L 5-1
Mon/10/9	Lehigh @ Bangor	T 1-1
Mon 10/16	S. Lehigh	L 1-0
10/25	Whitehall	L 2-0

Bangor Football (6-5)

8/25/	Bangor @ Palisades	W 36-8
8/31	Bangor @ Jim Thorpe	W 39-14
9/8/	Southern Lehigh @ Bangor	L 47-6
9/15/	Saucon Valley @ Bangor	W 15-7
9/23/	Bangor @ Wilson	W 41-0
9/29/	Pottsville @ Bangor	L 17-8
10/6/	Bangor @ Lehigh	W 49-20
10/13/	Northwestern @ Bangor	L 35-6
10/20/	Bangor @ Blue Mountain	L 12-7
10/27/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	W 14-0
11/3/	Bangor @ Allentown CC	L 35-7

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Bangor High School Fall Sports Schedule



Bangor Cross Girls Country (11-7)

Fri 8/25	Lion Invitational @ Moravian	2:50pm
Wed 9/6/	Bangor, Notre Dame G.P., Palisades, Pen Argyl, Saucon Valley, Wilson @ Moravian	4:00pm
Sat 9/02	Bangor @ Northampton	9:00am
Sat 9/9	Bangor @ Open (DeSales)	9:00am
9/12/	Wilson, Pen Argyl, Palmerton, Northwestern, Northern Lehigh @ Bangor (Senior Day)	4:00pm
9/19/	S. Lehigh, Salisbury, Pen Argyl, Catasauqua, Bangor @ Wilson	4:00pm
9/26/	Wilson, Saucon Valley, Palisades, Notre Dame G.P., Moravian Academy, Bangor @ Pen Argyl	4:00pm
10/3/	Wilson, Pen Argyl, Northwestern, Northern Lehigh, Bangor @ Palmerton	4:00pm
10/10/	Wilson, Salisbury, Pen Argyl, Catasauqua, Bangor @ Southern Lehigh	4:30pm

Bangor Cross Boys Country (12-6)

Fri 8/25	Lion Invitational @ Moravian	2:50pm
Wed 9/6/	Bangor, Notre Dame G.P., Palisades, Pen Argyl, Saucon Valley, Wilson @ Moravian	4:00pm
Sat 9/02	Bangor @ Northampton	9:00am
Sat 9/9	Bangor @ Open (DeSales)	9:00am
9/12/	Wilson, Pen Argyl, Palmerton, Northwestern, Northern Lehigh @ Bangor (Senior Day)	4:00pm
9/19/	S. Lehigh, Salisbury, Pen Argyl, Catasauqua, Bangor @ Wilson	4:00pm
9/26/	Wilson, Saucon Valley, Palisades, Notre Dame G.P., Moravian Academy, Bangor @ Pen Argyl	4:00pm
10/3/	Wilson, Pen Argyl, Northwestern, Northern Lehigh, Bangor @ Palmerton	4:00pm
10/10/	Wilson, Salisbury, Pen Argyl, Catasauqua, Bangor @ Southern Lehigh	4:30pm

Bangor Golf (4-14)

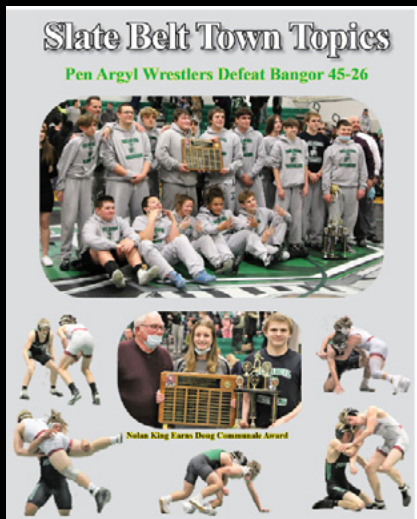
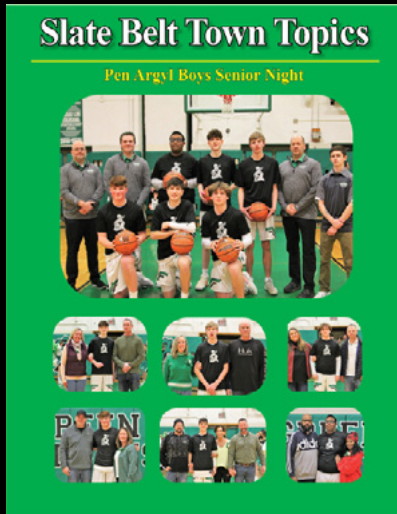
Thu 8/10/	Moravian Acad @ Bangor	L
Mon 8/14/	Bangor @ Northwestern	L
8/15/	Bangor @ Saucon Valley	W 522-510
Wed 8/16	Bangor @ ESS	W
Thu 8/17/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	L
Mon 8/21/	Bangor @ Palmerton	L
8/22/	Bangor @ Salisbury	L 441-460
Thu 8/24/	NDGP. @ Bangor	L 438-503
Mon 8/28/	Bangor @ So Lehigh	L 349-436
8/29/	Palmerton @ Bangor	L 236-502
Wed 8/30	Pocono Mt. West @ Bangor	W
Thu 8/31/	Bangor @ Moravian Acad	L
9/5/	Northwestern @ Bangor	L
Wed 9/6	Bangor @ Easton	L
Thu 9/7/	Wilson @ Bangor	W
Mon 9/11/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	L
Wed 9/13	Northampton @ Bangor	L

Bangor Tennis (9-9)

Mon 8/21/	Bangor @ Moravian Academy	L 5-0
Wed 8/23	Pleasant Valley	W 3-2
Fri 8/25	Notre Dame E.S. @ Bangor	W 5-0
Sat 8/26	Jim Thorpe @ Bangor	W 5-0
Mon 8/28/	Saucon Valley @ Bangor	L 4-1
Wed 8/30	Pottsville @ Bangor	W 5-1
W 8/30	Liberty @ Bangor	L 5-0
Thu 8/31/	Wilson @ Bangor	W 3-2
9/5/	Bangor @ Salisbury	W 5-0
Thu 9/7/	Southern Lehigh @ Bangor	L 3-2
Wed 9/8	Stroudsburg # Bangor	L 5-0
Mon 9/11/	Bangor @ Notre Dame G.P.	W 5-0
Wed 9/13/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	W 4-1
Fri 9/15	Palisades @ Bangor	W 4-1
Sat 9/16	Bangor @ Easton	L 7-0
Mon 9/18/	Bangor @ Southern Lehigh	L 3-2
Wed 9/20/	Moravian Academy @ Bangor	L 5-0
Fri 9/22	Bangor @ Northampton	L 4-3

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Julia Pinter Signs With Wake Forest

By Larry Cory

Bangor High School’s Julia Pinter signed a Letter of Intent Wednesday afternoon to compete in the Javelin with the Wake Forest Track and Field team next year in Winston Salem, North Carolina where she plans to major in Exercise Science.

Her athletic career path, however, wasn’t always headed in that direction.

“I played softball up until my 8th grade year and my dad suggested that I should try (javelin),” Pinter said. “So, I came out freshman year, kind of dealt with COVID not having practice, and started throwing. I just stuck with it and I ended up loving it and started doing it more competitively.”

Pinter, who also plays soccer and basketball, still finds time to perfect her javelin throw.

“It’s kind of just time management and things like that,” she said. “I love playing sports, kind of being all around. I love my teammates being out with my friends at the sport.”

When she finds time to work on throwing the javelin, she says that “technique,” is the most difficult part of the sport.

That technique, however, has led her to consecutive Colonial League

Championships, and a second place in the District 11 AAA tourney. Along the way she also tied the school record with a throw of 136-10.

Highlights of Pinter’s athletic career at Bangor:

- Four-Year Letterwinner in Girls’ Soccer and Track and Field
- Three-Year Letterwinner in Girls’ Basketball
- PIAA 3A Track and Field Championships (Javelin) - 5th Place (2023)
- District XI 3A Track and Field Championships (Javelin) - 2nd Place (2023), 4th Place (2022)
- Two-time Colonial League Javelin Champion (2022, 2023)
- Tied school record with throw of 136-10 in javelin
- District XI 5A Girls’ Basketball Runners-Up (2021-22, 2022-23)
- Two-time qualifier in PIAA Championships in both Girls’ Basketball and Track and Field
- Team Captain - Girls’ Soccer
- Colonial League Girls’ Basketball Honorable Mention All-Star (2022-23)
- LehighValleyLive.com Flrst Team All Star in Track and Field (2022-23) and Honorable Mention All-Star in both girls’ soccer and girls’ basketball (2022-23)



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Merlin Repsher A Fire Fighter For Life

by Larry Cory

It's safe to say that Merlin Repsher has been a fire fighter in the making most of his life, and therefore not surprising that he is celebrating 60 years of service with the Bangor Fire Department.

Much of his career path has been filled with many memorable experiences that have led him to a satisfying, lifelong experience as a fire fighter. As a child, he lived on Miller Street just a short distance from the Second Ward Fire company in South Bangor. One night, while he and his family were visiting friends on Messenger Street in Bangor, a few blocks from home, they received a call that the A & P (now the Bangor General Store on Broadway) was on fire. He was asked if he wanted to walk "uptown" to see the fire, which was an experience that he would never forget.

His uncle was the fire chief in Cornwall Heights, Bucks County where Repsher recalls him responding to fire calls. "One time he took me to the station and showed me how to operate the siren on one of the fire engines," Repsher said. "He had to lift me up so I could stand on the running board and depress the siren switch with my hands. I kept at it until he lifted me off the running board."



At play in his youth, he fondly remembers spending time playing with toy fire trucks, and when the fire whistle sounded, he knew that the real fire trucks would be rolling ASAP. "I guess the bottom line is, from early childhood with my uncle's influence, I (always) wanted to be a fire fighter," he said.

After serving his country with the Air Force, he returned



home and submitted an application to Rescue Fire Company to become a fire fighter. He was accepted into active membership on October 6, 1963 to serve a one-year probationary period. Sixty years later, he continues his service to the community as an active fire fighter. During his career he has served as Chief Engineer of the Pumper for 35 years and was

Assistant Fire Chief for five years. He also served in every position from Fire Recorder to President, except for Trustee.

In 2013 he was given a citation by Matt Cartwright honoring him for 50 years of service, and just a short time ago, he received a similar citation from Ann Flood for 60 years of service.

In 1964, he began attending Northampton County Fire School classes and their monthly business meetings. In 1972, he was elected Treasurer, a position he still holds 51 years later.

Repsher was a PA State Fire Academy Certified Non-Suppression Instructor and Northampton Community College Adjunct Professor, teaching 30-hour classes in Pump Operations as well as a VFIS Certified Emergency Vehicle Driver Training Instructor.

One of the accomplishments which Merlin is most proud of is when he and Anthony Curcio in 1972 introduced the idea of using a new alerting system, where each member had an alerting unit which was activated by Blue Mountain Control Center. This took the place of the pull stations throughout the town which had activated the siren.

He also is well known for his rendition of taps on Veterans Day and Memorial Day.







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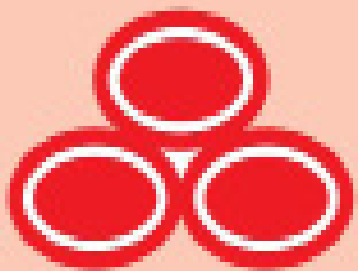
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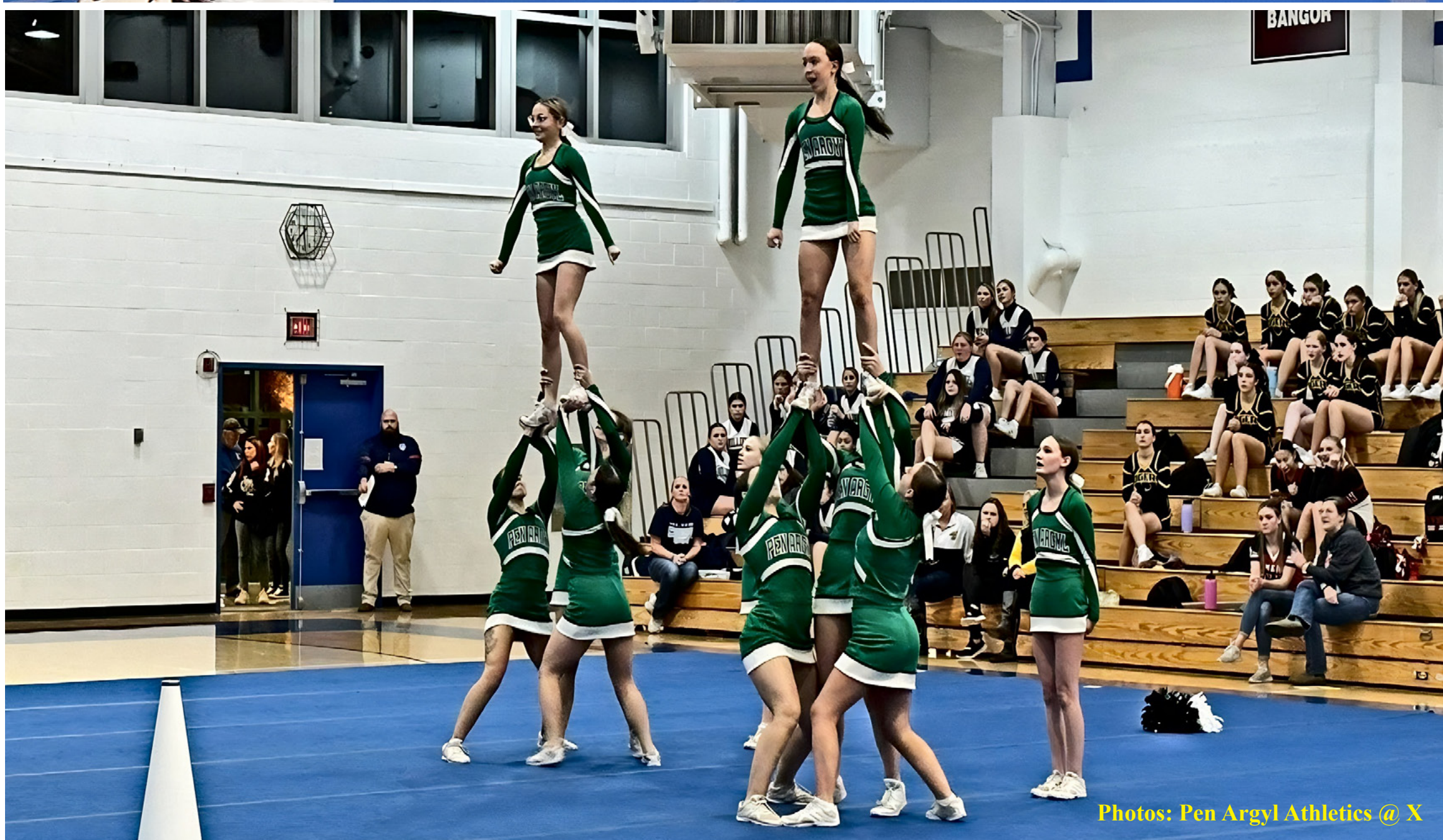


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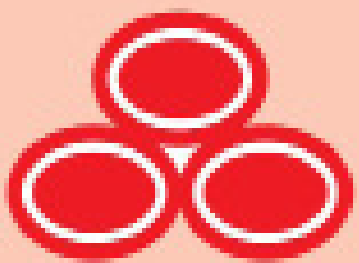


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