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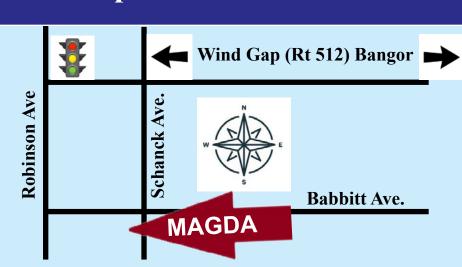
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Tyminski, Weaver, Campbell Earn First Team Colonial Honors

First Team Offense

Center: Blaine Snyder, Northwestern; Guards; Zack Anthony, Palmerton; Jared Meck, Northwestern; Tackles: Ben Walters, Northwestern; Jack Cameron, Notre Dame-GP; Tight end: Shane Hulmes, Northwestern; Wide receivers: Andrew Olesh, Southern Lehigh; A.J. Lozano, Notre Dame-GP; Quarterback: Matt Machalik, Palmerton; Running backs: Dalton Clymer, Northwestern; Cade Sawyer, Southern Lehigh; Fullback: Devon Hildebrand, Northwestern; Athlete: Damian Tyminski, Pen Argyl; Kicker: Jack Inglis, Southern Lehigh.

First Team Defense

Defensive tackles: Logan Anthony, Palmerton; Jackson Huber, Northwestern; Defensive ends: Bryer Reichard, Northwestern; **Jacob Weaver, Bangor;** Nose guard: Ben Walters, Northwestern; Inside linebackers: Chad Beller, Catasauqua; Dalton Clymer, Northwestern; Outside linebackers: Cade Sawyer, Southern Lehigh; Bailey Smith, Northern Lehigh; Defensive backs: Matt Machalik, Palmerton; Josh Ludlow, NDGP Eli Zimmerman, Northwestern; **Greg Campbell, Bangor**; Punter: Bailey Smith, Northern Lehigh

Second Team Offense

Center: Jackson Van Norman, Northern Lehigh; Guards: Logan Anthony, Palmerton; Alex Carr, Southern Lehigh; Tackles: Bryer Reichard, Northwestern; Gijs Fooij, Southern Lehigh; Tight end: Bailey Smith, Northern Lehigh; Wide receivers: Ian Juica, Catasauqua; Jack Robertson, Saucon Valley; Quarterback: Danny Darno, Notre Dame-GP; Running backs: Noah Hillis, Bangor; Grady Newhard, Northern Lehigh; Fullback: Jack Tosh, Northern Lehigh; Athlete: Josh Ludlow, Notre Dame-GP; Kicker: Seth Kern, Northwestern.

Second Team Defense

Defensive tackles: Gijs Fooij, Southern Lehigh; Zack Anthony, Palmerton; Defensive ends: Ryan King, Southern Lehigh; Alex Konze, Palmerton; Nose guard: Mitchell Andrejko, Southern Lehigh; Inside linebackers: Dainn Vassallo, Notre Dame-GP; Blaine Snyder, Northwestern; Outside linebackers: Devon Hildebrand, Northwestern; Ty Sander, Palmerton; Defensive backs: Andrew Olesh, Southern Lehigh; Jack Inglis, Southern Lehigh; Chris Frame, Northern Lehigh; Jack Robertson, Saucon Valley; Constantine Donahue, Saucon Valley; A.J. Lozano, Notre Dame-GP; M.J. Siu, Bangor; Punter: Cade Sawyer, Southern Lehigh.

Third Team Offense

Center: Clayton Christman, Palmerton; Guards: Brody Dye, Northern Lehigh; Danny Haubert, Palisades; Tackles: Chad Beller, Catasauqua; Parker Sandt, Bangor; Tight end: Bryan Tobin, Southern Lehigh; Wide receivers: Jack Inglis, Southern Lehigh; M.J. Siu, Bangor; Quarterback: Chris Fritts, Southern Lehigh; Running backs: Hunter Reitz, Catasauqua; Constantine Donahue, Saucon Valley; Fullback: Emilio Gonzalez, Palmerton; Athlete: Ty Sander, Palmerton; Kicker: Chase Moffitt, Northern Lehigh.

Third Team DEFENSE

Defensive tackles: Sam Frame, Northern Lehigh; Matt Fotta, Catasauqua; Nose guard: Miles Melendez, Catasauqua; Defensive ends: Caleb Grim, Saucon Valley; Michael Manlove, Notre Dame-GP; Inside linebackers: Shane Hulmes, Northwestern; Dylan Pacheco, Catasauqua; Defensive backs: **Brad Rissmiller, Pen Argyl;** Riley Sessinger, Palisades; Daniel Jenkins, Northwestern; **Alex Moser, Pen Argyl;** Punters: Josh Ludlow, NDGP; Jack Robertson, Saucon

PAHS Unstuffs The Bus

On Friday November 17th students from the Pen Argyl High School went to the YMCA to sort, count, package, and hand out all the food that was collected from the huge Stuff the Bus event.

Pen Argyl Area High School collected food for Stuff the Bus, from Monday October 30th through Friday November 17th at 7:00-7:30 am and 2:30-2:45 pm. Stuff the Bus was a district wide event in which students and teachers donated non perishable items for people in need during the Thanksgiving season. The school district works with Families First, meaning that all the food collected was given to families in Pen Argyl that needed a little extra help to get through the holiday. Not only did the members of Pen Argyl School District donate to this cause, but the local businesses and community members also donated items. We wanted to give a special thanks to Krise Transportation, The YMCA, Waste Management, Woodstone Country Club, Boy Scout Troop 34, Forks UCC Church, and Miss Rose's Preschool. Thanks to the help from the community, they collected 7,599 items and were able to feed 44 families.

The Knight's Order, the Character Education program at the Pen Argyl High School that organized the event, is responsible for service projects throughout the school and community.

The Knight's Order wanted to give back to the community that has been so supportive of their other initiatives. The Character Education students put in hours of their time to get this event ready for the whole district to participate in.

Thank you to everyone who participated in this event without your help this would not have been possible.



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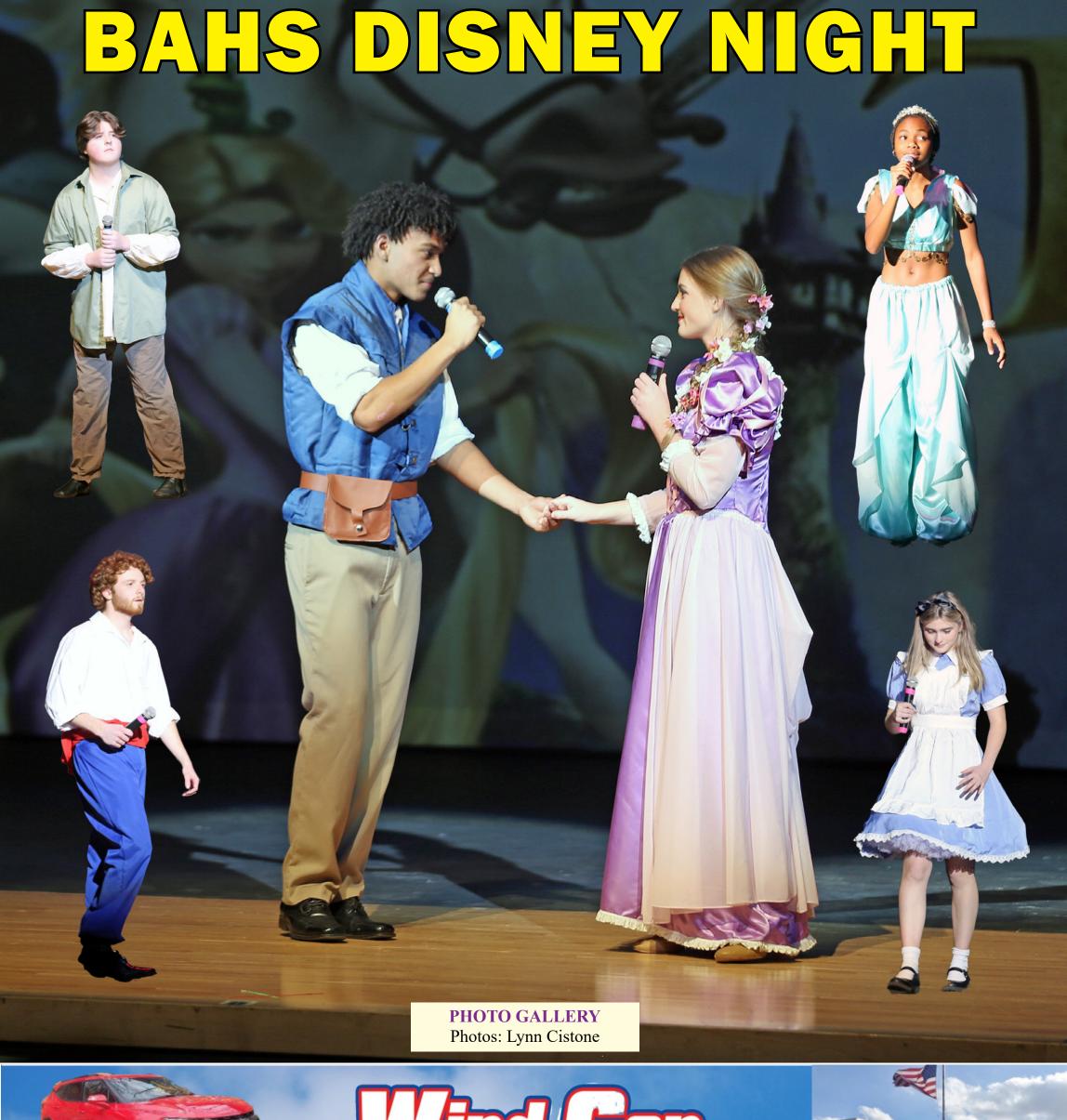


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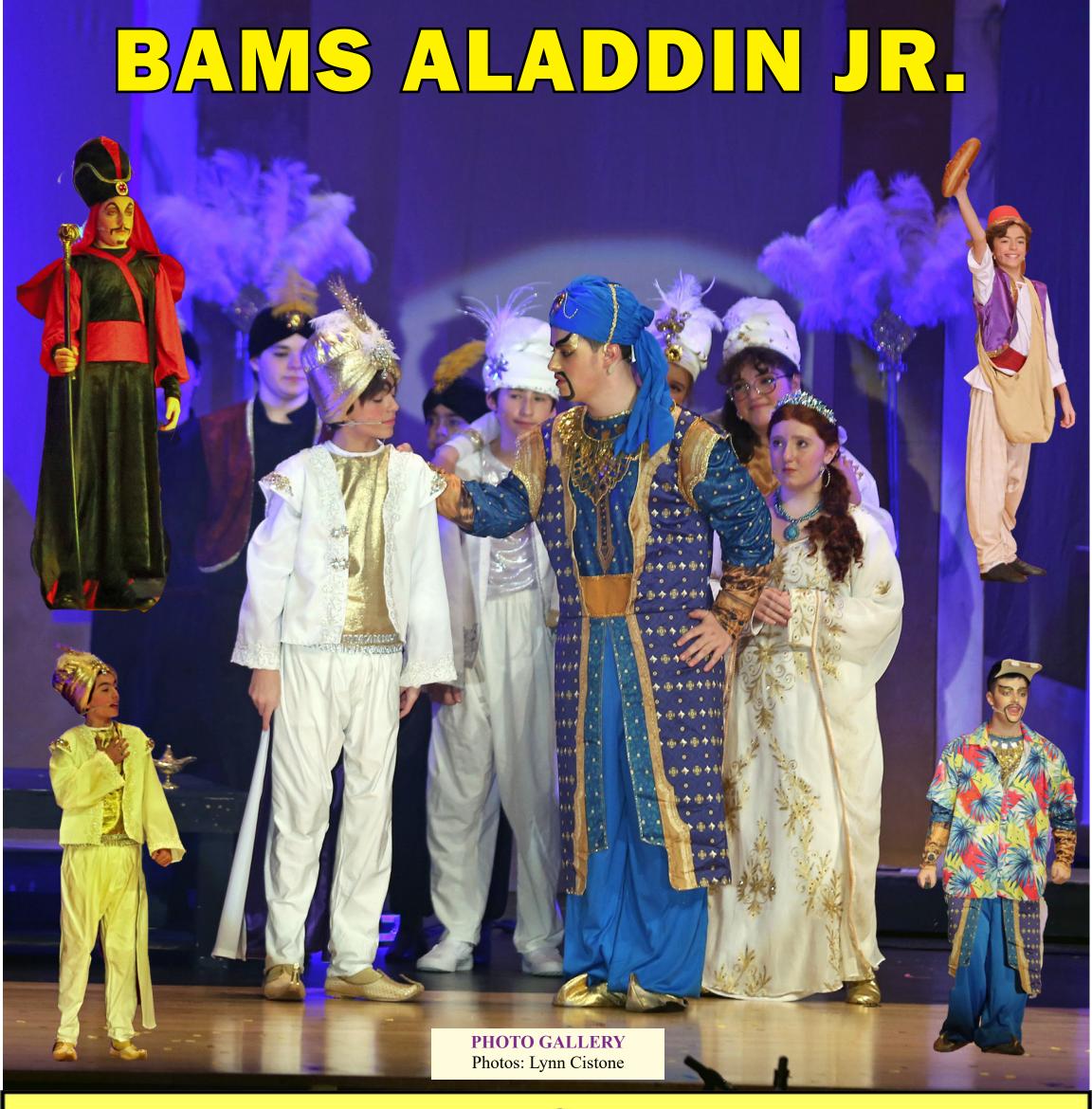
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Area YMCAs Plan 'Here for Our Community' Initiative, With Free In-Person and Virtual Wellness Opportunities

Lehigh Valley - Through December 20, 2023, Greater Valley YMCA is opening its doors and inviting the community to use the Y for free. With open branches in Bethlehem, Catasauqua, Easton, Nazareth and Pen Argyl, the YMCA is in a unique position to impact community health and wellness.

From November 20 to December 20, 2023, the Y is providing free opportunities for everyone in the community to connect and engage with others to meet social, physical and mental well-being needs. Community members can workout in the Y's wellness centers, enjoy pick up sports and time in its pools with family and friends.

In addition to opening its doors to the community, the YMCA is providing free virtual wellness for the entire community during the same time. Y Wellness 24/7 is a virtual platform that provides thousands of weekly live and on-demand health and wellness programs for all abilities and interests. Everyone in the community is invited to create a free account, using keycode "HERE FOR YOU" to access www.YWellness24/7.org from their home, office or anywhere, anytime!

"We know that for many people, the holiday season can bring about additional stress, anxiety, and even loneliness," commented Zane Moore, Managing President/CEO of Greater Valley YMCA. "We are excited to invite the communities of Greater Valley YMCA to prioritize their health and well-being, and utilize the Y, both in-person and online. Our caring, knowledgeable staff will meet you where you are and help and support you along the way." Community members wishing to learn more about trying the Y for free and accessing Y Wellness 24/7, the Y's virtual platform, are encouraged to visit https://www.gv-ymca.org/here-for-our-community.html for details and guest policies, including what to bring on your first visit.



One Starry Night The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church invites everyone

to visit The Little Town of Bethlehem. Ready to take your family back in time? Come to "One Starry Night" and experience Christmas like never before!

born. You'll go through the city gate, register for the census, visit the inn, see the stable, and more! It's a living nativity experience for all ages--so bring the whole family!

One Starry Night takes place on Sat., Dec. 9 from 3-5 p.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 10, from 2-4 p.m. The church is located at 136 W. Central ebumc.org.

Great Slate Belt Trivia Contest

Think you know all there is to know about the Slate Belt? New to the area and would like to have a fun time learning about the Slate Belt? Or, if you are in a position as a town council member, you are invited to "test your trivia knowledge of the Slate Belt" and have fun and laughs while doing it. The You'll taste, see, and even smell what life was like when Jesus was annual "Great Slate Belt Trivia Contest" will be held on Sunday, December 10th at 2:00 PM at the Slate Belt Heritage Center. Questions will encompass the entire region from Slateford to Wind Gap. Bring a team of four, or come as one and we will place you on a team when you arrive.

Prizes will be awarded to the winning team and light refreshments will be served to all. The Heritage Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor, PA. FYI call 610-588-4453 or visit www. PA. For additional information please contact: Karen Brewer @ 484-894-5661



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Women's Club Wreath Sale



Bonnie Due, Barbara La Bar and Betty Josephson shown above are decorating wreaths for The Bangor Womens Club GFWC holiday sale.

The Bangor Women's Club will be selling the Christmas Wreathes at the Bangor Public Library, Friday November 24th and Saturday November 25th inside the library, from 10 am until 3 pm. There are many beautiful natural wreathes from which to choose. This project profits will benefit the Bangor Public Library.

The Bangor Womens Club GFWC would like to invite the public to hear the Bangor High School Choir on December 19th at 1:15 pm at Trinity United Church of Christ,

632 S. Delaware Drive, Mt Bethel, PA. (Stone Church). They will be singing Christmas music and other songs. Come and enjoy this talented choir.

Roseto Ice Rink Opens

The Roseto Ice Rink has been set up and ready to use as fall transtions to winter just in time for the holiday season.

The Roseto ice rink is officially OPEN. Weather it will be open daily from 8:00am - 7:00pm. Keep in mind they do not have skate rentals so bring your own. There is no cost to skate at the park. The ice rink at the Roseto Ball Park off McKinley and Denisco Streets. Only the main gate is open so enter off of Denisco Street.

There are no bathroom facilities.

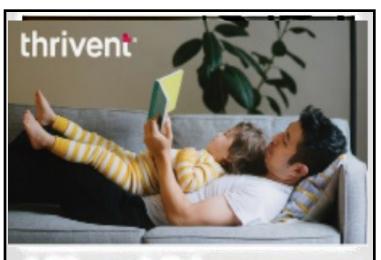






Thanksgiving Day is observed each year ion the fourth Thursday in November. The observance is a time when families and friends gather and give thanks for many reasons, each often as different as each person who gathers around the table.

In 1621, the Plymouth colonists and Wampanoag Indians shared an autumn harvest feast that many acknowledge today as one of the first Thanksgiving celebrations in the colonies. For more than two centuries, days of thanksgiving were celebrated by individual colonies and states. However, it wasn't until 1863, amid the Civil War, that President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed a national Thanksgiving Day to be held each November. In many American households, the Thanksgiving celebration has lost much of its original religious significance; instead, it now centers on cooking and sharing a bountiful mea with family and friends. The pilgrims may not have even served turkey that fateful day in 1621. Today, however, the bird is so ubiquitous, it has become synonymous with the holiday. In fact, nearly 90 percent of Americans eat the bird—whether roasted, baked or deep-fried—on Thanksgiving,



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Weather Forecast Office Near normal high temperatures for Thanksgiving Mount Holly Cooler readings expected for the upcoming weekend Issued Nov 22, 2023 6:42 PM EST 50° 46° 60° Sussex Mount Pocono **WE ARE HERE** 55° Allentown Somerville 53° High Temperature (F) Reading Long 5 Sanch Trenton Philadelphia 50° Toms River Wilmington ineland tlantic 45° City Dover 55° Cape May Laston -40° Bethany Beach NWSMount Holly weather.gov/phi SERVING THE SLATE BELT & LEHIGH VALLEY WHAT'S GOING ON???? 460 South First St. Bangor, Pa ~ 610-588-4140 **Your News Published Free** www.klinesautorepair.com JOHN T. SCHIMMEL Reach 2500 -3000 Daily Readers Via Socia, I Media PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT sbtopics@rcn.com 1400 NORTHAMPTON ST. EASTON, PA 18042 **MAJOR or MINOR** Phone: (610) 253-4000 q Fax: (610) 258-FAX4 Bruce J. Kline



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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 A group of the enforcement of pre-employment non-disclosure agreements and non-institutions disparagement agreements between employers and employees, independent countries contractors, and between goods and services providers and consumers. In England, addition, it would void any agreements that were in place before a sexual and America assault or harassment dispute arises

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

The Polar Express sponsored by the Slate Belt Rotary will be held December 9 from 1-3pm at the Sportscard Sports Bar and Grill. Visit with Santa and enjoy milk, hot chocolate and cookies.

We Are Wired To Be Kind

World Kindness Week, Nopvember 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 because of dedication to kindness in initial days of the Movement started created the written inception, which stated that

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

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,'

Kindness is teachable

- We are psychologically wired to help someone in need.
- It's contagious

a word for courtesy.

- 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.
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- Like most medical antidepressants, kindness stimulates the production of serotonin.
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Santa's Mailbox Enters It's Fourth Season

Santa's magic mailbox is back again for the 4th year. The elves will be accepting handwritten letters for Santa from November 5th through December 10th. Every letter

that Santa receives during this time period will receive a hand written letter back from him. The magic mailbox is located at 146 S. 9th St., Bangor, PA 18013. It will be at the end of the walkway and the magic mailbox will be outside daily from 8AM until dark. If it is raining, the mailbox will not be outside.

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.



Turkeys Needed For Thanksgiving

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"Growing Up Slater"

The Slate Belt Heritage Center has published another wonderful book filled with local Slate Belt memories. Authored by Nancy Trayes 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 preorder 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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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.



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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

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 childs 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.

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

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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(The Pantry Is Open On sdays 8am To 12 pm.

Santa's Mailbox

Santa's magic mailbox is back again for the 4th year. The elves will be accepting handwritten letters for Santa from November 5th through December 10th. Every letter that Santa receives during this time period will receive a hand written letter back from him. The magic mailbox is located at 146 S. 9th St., Bangor, PA 18013. It will be at the end of the walkway and the magic mailbox will be outside daily from 8AM until dark. If it is raining, the mailbox will not be outside.

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.

Roseto Ice Rink

The Roseto Ice Rink has been set up and ready to use as fall transtions to winter just in time for the holiday season.

The Roseto ice rink is officially OPEN. Weather it will be open daily from 8:00am - 7:00pm. Keep in mind they do not have skate rentals so bring your own. There is no cost to skate at the park. The ice rink at the Roseto Ball Park off McKinley and Denisco Streets. Only the main gate is open so enter off of Denisco Street.

There are no bathroom facilities.

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 24-25

Bangor Womens Club GFWC Holiday Wreath

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.

November 25

Church Street Garage Bangor

Our Lady of Good Counsel Church is excited to invite you to visit our weekly garage sale held 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"..

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 from 10-4. 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 takeout, 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!

Vendor/Crafter Cost = \$40 per space

Winter Tree ID

Saturday, December 9 at 2:00pm to 3:30pm No leaves to be seen? Dichotomous keys help you identify trees! During this program you will learn how to use a dichotomous key to identify trees by examining the twigs. You will discover common patterns among groups of plants and tricks to help you remember those groupings. After the lesson, we'll head out for a short walk to practice our new skills. Registration required. https://events.dcnr. pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search=jac

Lookout Holiday Market

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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

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@

December 9-10

One Starry Night

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church invites everyone to visit The Little Town of Bethlehem. Ready to take your family back in time? Come to "One Starry Night" and experience Christmas like never before!

You'll taste, see, and even smell what life was like when Jesus was born. You'll go through the city gate, register for the census, visit the inn, see the stable, and more! It's a living nativity experience for all ages--so bring the whole family!

One Starry Night takes place on Sat., Dec. 9 from 3-5 p.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 10, from 2-4 p.m. The church is located at 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor, PA. FYI call 610-588-4453 or visit www.ebumc.org.

December 10

Great Slate Belt Trivia Contest

Think you know all there is to know about the Slate Belt? New to the area and would like to have a fun time learning about the Slate Belt? Or, if you are in a position as a town council member, you are invited to "test your trivia knowledge of the Slate Belt" and have fun and laughs while doing it. The annual "Great Slate Belt Trivia Contest" will be held on Sunday, December 10th at 2:00 PM at the Slate Belt Heritage Center. Questions will encompass the entire region from Slateford to Wind Gap. Bring a team of four, or come as one

and we will place you on a team when you arrive.

Prizes will be awarded to the winning team and light refreshments will be served to all. The Heritage Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA. For additional information please contact: Karen Brewer @ 484-894-5661

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

Crafting Natural Arrangements for Adults

Wednesday, December 13 at 1:30pm to 3:30pm OR 6:00 - 8:00pm

This free program is offered in both English and Spanish.

Get crafty and join Conservation Volunteers Adriana and Toni as they demonstrate how to use natural materials to create simple, yet ornate floral arrangements. You will have the opportunity to create your own arrangement to take home. You will also learn to identify native and invasive plants and gain experience in sustainable gathering of plants for crafting. The arrangements will be Wabi Sabi-inspired; the Japanese world view centered on the acceptance of imperfections. https://events. dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search =jacobsburg

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 Ithe 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.

Family Science Night - Rhythm and Woodpeckers

Friday, December 15 at 6:00pm to 7:00pm Drumming is one form of non-vocal communication used by most species of woodpeckers. During this program we will put our music skills to the test to create a symphony of Pennsylvania woodpecker calls and drumming patterns all while learning the science behind common woodpecker behavior and adaptations. Registration is required.https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search=ja

December 16

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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 childs 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

December 19

BAHS Choir Will Sing at Bangor GFWC Meeting

The Bangor Womens Club GFWC would like to invite the public to hear the Bangor High School Choir on December 19th at 1:15 pm at Trinity United Church of Christ,

632 S. Delaware Drive, Mt Bethel, PA. (Stone Church) .They will be singing Christmas music and other songs. Come and enjoy this talented choir.

December 21-22

Project Feeder Watch

Love birds and want to contribute to science? Project FeederWatch turns your love of feeding birds into scientific discoveries. Participants will learn how to contribute to Project FeederWatch and be presented with the opportunity to become FeederWatch monitors at Jacobsburg or in their own homes! Bagels, coffee, and hot cocoa will be provided. Attending this program is required if you plan to participate in Project FeederWatch Monitoring on Thursdays and/or Fridays: Dec 21-22, Jan 4-5 & 25-26, Feb 15-16 & 29, Mar 1 & 21-22. Registration is required. https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search=jacobsburg

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February 29 - March 1

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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

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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@blueflamevents.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@blueflamevents.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!

Regular Events Calendar

Thursday November 23 Happy Thanksgiving

Friday November 24

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

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

Bangor Public Library - Open 1-8

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

UMBT Planning Commission - Township Building, 7:30pm

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

Saturday 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

Tuesday 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 Breaklfast - Bangor Elks 8-12pm. Adults \$10. Kid 6-12 \$6. Under 6 - Free.

Monday December 4

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

Tuesday December 5

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

Slate Belt YMCA -8-4

Stone circle.

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

Regular Events

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

Tuesday December 12

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

Bangor Public Library - Open

Slate Belt Senior Center - Open 8-3:30. Blue Valley Farm Show **Mission of Love Food Pantry** & Clothes Closet - N. Main St., Bangor, 10-12

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

Wednesday December 13

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

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

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

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

Saturday December 16

Blue Mountain Library - Open 10-12

Bangor Public Library - Open 10-4

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Sunday December 17

Slate Belt Heritage Center -Open 12-3.

Slate Belt YMCA - 10-2

Monday December 18

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

Tuesday December 19

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

Bangor Public Library - Open

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

Mission of Love Food Pantry & Clothes Closet - N. Main St., Bangor, 10-2

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 December 20

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

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

Bangor Public Library - Open

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

UMBT Planning Commission -Township Building, 7:30pm

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

Thursday December 21

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

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

Bangor Public Library - Open

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

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

Friday December 22

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

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

Bangor Public Library - Open 1-8

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

UMBT Planning Commission -Township Building, 7:30pm

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

Saturday December 23.

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 December 24

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 December 25

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

Tuesday December 26

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

Washington Twp. Recreation - 7pm Roseto Zoning - 7pm

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

UMBT Zoning - 7pm Room, 7pm

Wednesday December 27

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 December 28

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 Pen Argyl Council Workshop -

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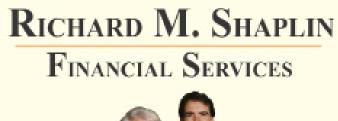


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Nov 19 9:30 a.m. Worship Service
(Live & on Zoom) 10:45 Fellowship Hour
(For Zoom, go to ebumc.org to sign in)
Nov 22 - 10:30am & 7pm - Bible Study

Grace Lutheran Church

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Holy Communion 9:00am
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Pastor Elisandra Garcia - 610-588-4673 55 North Third Street, Bangor PA 11:00am service (Communion First Sunday)

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Bangor Library - New Books

New in the Bangor Public Library November 10-November 16

Adult Fiction

Resurrection Walk by Michael Connelly Adult Non Fiction Pretty Boys are Poisonous Poems by Megan Fox Class: A Memoir by Stephanie Land

Elvis and Me by Priscilla Beaulieu Presley Goth: A History by Laurence Tolhurst

Large Print Adult Fiction

Obsession by Stuart Woods

Easy Fiction

Lila Greer, Teacher of the Year by Andrea Beaty Noodle Conquers Comfy Mountain by Jonathan Graziano Love Comes First by Jenna Bush Hager Dragonboy and the Wonderful Night by Fabio Napoleoni Tokyo Night Parade by J. P. Takahashi

Young Adult Fiction

The Way I Am Now by Amber Smith

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Everyone ages 6 months and older should get an updated COVID-19 vaccine.

- ✓ Protection from previous vaccination or infection weakens over time
- ✓ This vaccine is a better match to fight common variants circulating now









Christmas Tree Fundraiser

The Blue Mountain Community Library is once again sponsoring a Christmas Tree Fundraiser this year. Anyone wishing to honor or memorialize a loved one or a pet may purchase an ornament to hang on our Christmas Tree for \$5.00 each. The Fundraiser will begin November 1st and continue through December 31, 2023. Please consider helping the library by purchasing an ornament to decorate the Christmas Tree.

Visit our Book Nook to purchase books for the reader on your holiday list. Items include fiction and non-fiction books for adult, young adult and juvenile readers, as well as large print materials and puzzles.

The Blue Mountain Community Library is located at 216 S. Robinson Ave. in Pen Argyl. Hours are 10-12, Monday thru Saturday mornings and 6-8, Monday and Thursday evenings. All information is available on their Facebook page and website www.bmcl.org

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.

PUBLISH YOUR EVENT

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

Slate Belt Winter Sports Schedule 2023-24

Bangor Boys (0-0)					
12/1	P. Valley at Bangor	6:45pm			
12/5/	Bangor @ Moravian	6:45pm			
12/7/	NDGP. @ Bangor	6:45pm			
12/9	Northampton@Bangor	12:45pm			
12/11/	Catasauqua @ Bangor	6:45pm			
12/16	E'Burg North@Bangor	12:45pm			
12/14/	Bangor @ Palisades	6:45pm			
12/18/	Saucon Valley @ Bangor	6:45pm			
12/20/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm			
1/4/	Wilson @ Bangor	6:45pm			
1/5/	Bangor @ N.Lehigh	6:45pm			
1/9/	Northwestern @ Bangor	6:45pm			
1/11/	Bangor @ Salisbury	6:45pm			
1/16	Bangor@NDES	6:45pm			
1/18/	Bangor @ S. Lehigh	6:45pm			
1/20/	Bangor @ Wilson	12:45pm			
1//	Moravian @ Bangor	6:45pm			
1/25/	Bangor @ NDGP.	6:45pm			
1/29/	Palmerton @ Bangor	6:45pm			
1/31/	Palisades @ Bangor	6:45pm			
2/3/	Bangor @ Saucon Valley	12:45pm			
2/6/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	6:45pm			
1/16 Hall Of Fame					

Pen Argyl Boys (0-0)

Bangor Girls (0-0)

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12/2	PM West@Bangor	3:30pm
12/5/	Moravian @ Bangor	6:45pm
12/7/	Bangor @ NDGP.	6:45pm
12/11/	Bangor @ Catasauqua	6:45pm
12/14/	Palisades @ Bangor	6:45pm
12/18/	Bangor @ Saucon Valley	6:45pm
12/20/	Pen Argyl @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/4/	Bangor @ Wilson	6:45pm
1/5/	Northern Lehigh @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/9/	Bangor @ Northwestern	6:45pm
1/11/	Salisbury @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/13	Bangor@ Northampton	1:00pm
1/18/	Southern Lehigh @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/20/	Wilson @ Bangor 1	2:45pm
12/16	Bangor@E'burg North	1:00pm
1//23	Bangor @ Moravian	6:45pm
1/25/	Notre Dame G.P. @ Bangor	6:45pm
1/29/	Bangor @ Palmerton	6:45pm
1/31/	Bangor @ Palisades	6:45pm
2/3/	Saucon Valley @ Bangor 1	2:45pm
2/6/	Bangor @ Pen Argyl	6:45pm
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1/05 M	entor Night	
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Bangor UCS Bocce Ball (0-0)

Bangor Wrestling (0-0)

Bethlehem Duals @Freedom 8:30am

Bangor @ Delaware Valley 8:00am

Bangor @ Notre Dame G.P. 7:00pm

Southern Lehigh @ Bangor 7:00pm

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Bangor @ Palisades

Bangor @ Catasauqua

Bangor @ Northwestern

League Tournament

Bangor @ Pen Argyl

12/13/ Saucon Valley @ Bangor

12/19/ Wilson @ Bangor

12/16/ Bangor@ Tamaqua

12/22 Belvidere @ Bangor

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1/17 Senior Night

1/4 Bangor @E-Burg South 3:30pm Bangor @Dieruff 3:30pm 1/17 E'Burg South @Bangor 3:30pm 2/7 Salisbury@ Bangor 3:30pm

1/31 Youth Night

1/23 Senior Night

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Pen Argyl Girls (0-0)

1/18 Cancer Awareness

1/20 Senior Night

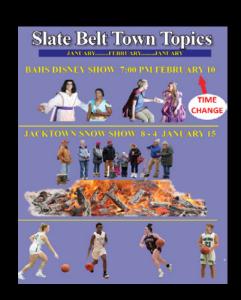
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1/23 Pink Out 1/31 Senior Night

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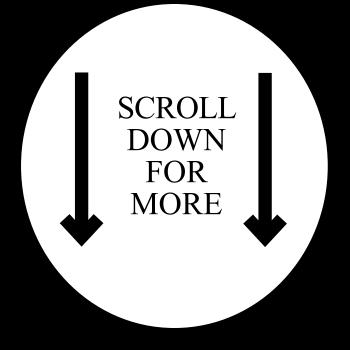
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	12/15	Pen Argyl @ Lehighton	6:45pm	
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	1/6	Battle At Valley Forge	9:00am	
	1/8/	Wilson @ Pen Argyl	11:00am	
	1/10	Pen Argyl @ Northern Lehigh	7:00pm	
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	1/25	Ultimate Warrior@West Branch	11:00am	
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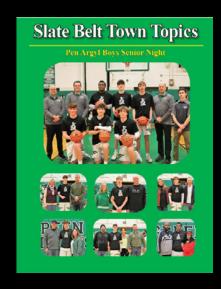


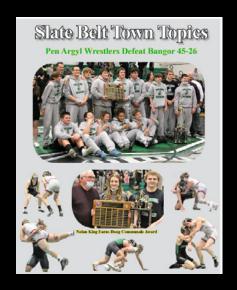












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Julia Pinter Signs With Wake Forest

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)

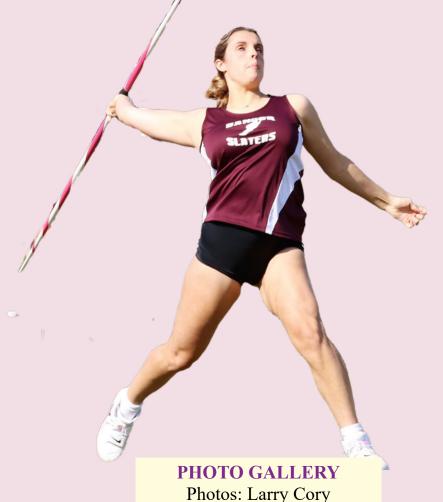
• Two-time qualifier in PIAA Championships in both Girls' Basketball and Track and Field

• Team Captain - Girls' Soccer

• Colonial League Girls' Basketball Honorable Mention All-Star (2022-23)

• LehighValleyLive.com FIrst 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 Messinger 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

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.









Pen Argyl Wins Eastern Conference AA Crown





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Pen Argyl Cheerleaders compete in Colonial League Championship at Wilson

