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**Next Issue  
 December 19  
 Deadline, Friday,  
 December 13**

\*All ad copy and editorial must be submitted by Friday, December, 13 to be included in the December 19, Christmas issue.

## WEEKEND HAPPENINGS

### Forks Township Christmas Tree Lighting

Forks Township will hold their annual Christmas tree lighting on **Friday, December 6, 5:30PM to 8:00PM** at Forks Township Community Park, 500 Zucksville Road, Easton, PA. 18040

### Pen Argyl Borough Christmas Tree Lighting

Pen Argyl Borough will hold their annual Christmas tree Lighting on **Friday, December 6, 6:00PM to 8:00PM** at Weona Park, (North side - Arch Street entrance), 201 S. Main Street, Pen Argyl, PA.18072

### Bangor Borough Christmas Tree Lighting

The Bangor Borough annual Christmas tree lighting will be held on **Saturday, December 7, tree lighting at 5:00pm** on Broadway in historic downtown Bangor. Live entertainment, and a visit by Santa & Mrs. Claus.

### East Bangor Borough Christmas Tree Lighting

East Bangor Borough will hold its annual Christmas tree lighting on **Saturday, December 7, 6:30PM** at Blaine Reimel Memorial Park, Park Road, East Bangor, PA. 18013.

### Forks of the Delaware Historical Arms Society Gun Show

The Forks of the Delaware Historical Arms Society Gun Show will be held on **Saturday, December 7, 9:00AM to 5:00PM and Sunday, December 7, 9:00AM to 2:00PM.** Agri-Plex Hall, Allentown Fairgrounds, 17th & Chew Streets, Allentown, PA **See ad on page 4 for details**

### LMBT Christmas Tree Lighting

Lower Mt. Bethel Township will hold their annual Christmas tree Lighting on **Saturday, December 7, 6:00PM to 7:30PM.** at the LMBT Municipal Building, 2004 Hutchison Ave, Martins Creek, PA 18063

### Bangor Slater Band Bingo & Tricky Tray

The Bangor Slater Band will hold a Bingo & Tricky Tray hosted by the Portland Fire Co. on **Sunday, December 8, Doors open at 11:00Am Bingo starts at 1:00PM** at The William Pensyl Social Hall 111 State St., Portland, PA 18351. Order online <https://form.jotform.com/242755013945155> Questions? Cash/Check Payment? Call or Text Missy 484-866-6830 or Nicole 570-350-1809.

### Blue Valley Farm Show Youth Advisory Christmas Cookie Sale

The Blue Valley Farm Show Youth Advisory 4th Annual Christmas Cookie Sale. **Orders due by Sunday, December 8. Pick up Thursday December 12, 6:00PM to 8:00PM, and Sunday, December 15, 7:30AM to 12:30PM** at the farm show building 707 American Bangor Road, Bangor, PA.

### Hub Community Center Grand Reopening & Open House

The Hub Community Center will be hosting an Open House on **Sunday, December 8th from 2:00PM to 5:00PM.** 14 Broadway, Bangor, PA. FMI: [familylifehub.com](http://familylifehub.com)

### Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm 34th Annual Old Time Christmas

Visit Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm for their 34th Annual Old Time Christmas the weekends of **December 7 & 8 and December 14 & 15** located at 347 Quiet Valley Rd., Stroudsburg, PA 18360. **See ad on page 16 for details**



**Trinity Lutheran Church Free Clothing Closet**

Trinity Lutheran Church in Bangor will host a free Clothing Closet on **Saturday December 7 and Saturday December 21, 11:00AM to 1:30PM**. The clothing closet will be open the first and third Saturday of every month. 404 Broadway, Bangor, PA. 18013

**7th Annual Snowmen of Stroudsburg**

The 7th Annual Snowmen of Stroudsburg enjoy the 60 plus snowmen in downtown Stroudsburg **now thru February 21, 2025**. FMI visit [www.gocollaborativestbg.com/snowmenofstroudsburg/](http://www.gocollaborativestbg.com/snowmenofstroudsburg/)

**EBUMCC 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. It's a living nativity experience for all ages, so bring the whole family!

**Sat., Dec. 14, 3:00 -5:00PM & Sun., Dec. 15, 2:00 -4:00PM** 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor, PA (610-588-4453; [www.ebumc.org](http://www.ebumc.org) See add on page 7 for details

**Santa Express at Bangor Memorial Park**

Join the Rescue Fire Co. at Bangor Memorial Park, 90 Eisenhardt Blvd. Bangor, PA. for the Santa Express on **Saturday, December 14, 5:00-8:00PM (rain date December 15)**. FMI email: [davemccloughan@gmail.com](mailto:davemccloughan@gmail.com) Proceeds benefit Rescue Fire Co

**Blue Valley Farm Show Monthly All You Can Breakfast**

The Blue Valley Farm Show will host its next monthly breakfast on **Sunday, December 15, 7:30PM to 12:30PM** located at the farm show building 707 American Bangor Road, Bangor, PA. See ad on page 4 for details

**Bangor Area High School Music Concerts**

The Bangor Area High School Music Department will hold the following concerts at the Performing Arts Theatre, located at 187 Five Points Richmond Road, Bangor, PA.

**December 10 Chorus Winter Concert 7:30 PM**  
**December 12 Band Winter Concert 7:30 PM**

**Nazareth Borough Christmas Tree Lighting**

Nazareth Borough Christmas tree lighting **Friday, December 13, 7:00PM** in the circle, Nazareth, PA. 18064.



**Baarda Farms**  
1566 River Road, Mt Bethel, PA 570 897-0135  
**CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE**  
Join us for our annual Christmas Open House  
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7**  
**& SUNDAY DECEMBER 8**  
Beautiful holiday florals, gifts, seasonal decor and more!  
Order early to ensure holiday delivery!  
**December 24, Christmas Eve closing at 12:00PM.**  
We will be closed for the month of January.  
**HOURS: TUESDAY - SUNDAY 9:00A.M.-4:00P.M. - CLOSED MONDAY**

**ALL ASPECTS**  
*of the Poconos*

**Santa's Christmas Market & Holiday Festival**  
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH**  
**10AM - 4PM**  
(INDOOR & OUTDOOR EVENT)

Live Music	VENDOR TENTS & ARTISANS	WINE & SANGRIA
FACE PAINTING	Food Trucks	BOUNCE HOUSE
FAMILY Fun	PETTING Farm	Door Prizes

**BASKET RAFFLE** TO BENEFIT THE MOUNT BETHEL FIRE DEPARTMENT  
**Photos with Santa** 10am -4pm

**FREE ADMISSION**  
All Aspects at the Barn  
1584 S Delaware Drive  
Mount Bethel, PA 18343

**MODEL TRAIN SHOW**  
Nazareth Area Society of Model Engineers  
212 Main Street, Stockertown, PA  
More info: <https://www.nasmemrr.org>  
(Parking behind Municipal Borough Hall)  
**December 7, 8, 14, 15, 27, 28, 29, 30**  
**January 4, 5, 11, 12**  
Hours are  
**1:00 - 4:00 PM**  
Donations welcome  
Suggested Donations  
\$5.00 Adult  
\$1.00 Child



# BLUE VALLEY FARM SHOW

## All You Can Eat Breakfast

Sunday, December 15, 2024

7:30am-12:30pm

Adults \$14 Children 6-12 \$6 UNDER 6 FREE

SERVING OUR MONTHLY BREAKFAST SINCE 1991

Homemade Creamed Chipped Beef, Homefries (with or without onions), Scrambled Eggs, French Toast, Pancakes, Kielbasa, Scrapple, Pork Sausage, Turkey Sausage, Bacon, Ham **DESSERT BAR**  
**DRINKS:** Orange Juice, Apple Juice, Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate



707 AMERICAN BANGOR ROAD (RT 512)(BETWEEN BANGOR & PEN ARGYL)  
 FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 610-417-0959

### Stuff the Bus a Huge Success

Families First would like to thank everyone who helped in making the 2024 "Stuff the Bus" event a huge success! With the generous donations received over 70 families were given a complete Thanksgiving meal with all the fixings! This would not have been possible without the overwhelming generosity of these wonderful businesses, organizations and our community.



Thank you to Kitchen Magic, Krise Transportation, The YMCA, ESSA Bank, River View Country Club, Waste Management, Mirror Mirror Salon, St. Peter's Church, Fork's United Church of Christ, Grace Lutheran Church, St. Luke's United Church of Christ, Girl Scout Troop 857, Krista Campbell and the Character Education Class, and the faculty and students of Pen Argyl Area School District.

httpenargyl.org





FORKS OF THE DELAWARE  
 HISTORICAL ARMS  
 SOCIETY, INC.



**\$1 OFF**  
 Admission  
 with this coupon  
 valid Dec. 7-8, 2024  
**ONLY**

## GUN SHOW

NEW, USED AND COLLECTIBLE FIREARMS & MILITARIA  
 THE ORIGINAL ALLENTOWN GUN SHOW

Saturday, December 7, 9:00am - 5:00pm

(No tickets sold after 4:00pm)

and Sunday, December 8, 9:00am - 2:00pm

(No tickets sold after 1:00pm)

At the Agri-Plex Hall • Allentown Fairgrounds

17th & Chew Street, Allentown, PA

800 TABLES, FOOD ON SITE, FREE PARKING, NO FLEA MARKET ITEMS.

FORKS OF THE DELAWARE HISTORICAL ARMS SOCIETY, INC.

Hours: Saturday - Public - 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Sunday - Public - 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

(Admissions ends 1 hour prior to closing time)

A donation of \$10  
 requested at the door.

Children 15 and under are free  
 when accompanied by an adult.

Visit our website [www.allentownshow.com](http://www.allentownshow.com). For further club info call 610-438-9006

### Pen Argyl High School

#### Winter Holiday Band and Chorus Concert

The Pen Argyl Area High School will hold their winter band and chorus concert on **Saturday, December 14, 6:00PM - 9:00PM**, at the Wind Gap Middle School located at 1620 Teels Road, Pen Argyl, PA. 18072

### EBUMCC Advent Bible Study

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church will offer a 4-week Advent Bible Study focusing on the profound exchange of gifts between God and humanity. This study will be on **Mondays, now thru December 16 at 10:30AM and 7:00PM**. The church is located at 136 W. Central Ave. (Rt. 512), East Bangor, PA. FMI 610-588-4453 or [www.ebumc.org](http://www.ebumc.org).



**Slate Belt Health & Rehabilitation Center  
Holiday Giving Tree Program**

Slate Belt Health & Rehabilitation Center will have a Giving Tree program for their residents this holiday season. If you would like to make a residents holiday merry and bright please consider selecting a gift tag from the window in the front lobby and let the receptionist know the name of the resident you chose. If you prefer you may call the center and they will choose a gift tag for you and provide the residents information.

All gifts will must be wrapped and returned to the front desk or activity department at Slate Belt Health & Rehabilitation Center by **Friday, December 20, 2024** to the center located at 701 Slate Belt Blvd., Bangor, PA. 18013.

For more information please contact Rhiannon Fetterman at 610-588-6161.

**Bangor Elks Lodge #1106 Hoop Shoot**

The Bangor Elks Lodge #1106 annual Hoop Shoot will be held on **Saturday, December 21, with registration beginning at 8:30a.m. hoop shoot starts at 9:00 a.m.** at the Washington Elementary School, Washington Blvd. Bangor PA. Eligibility for the Elks Hoop Shoot is determined by the age that the contestant will be on April 1, 2024. Group ages 8/9, 10/11, & 12/13 both boys and girls. FMI go to [www.elks.org](http://www.elks.org) For questions or concerns contact the lodge by email at [bangorelks@gmail.com](mailto:bangorelks@gmail.com)



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2600 N Delaware Dr., Mt Bethel, PA  
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Breakfast available all day  
Everything on our menu is available for  
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*Gifts Certificates available*

**Closing Christmas Eve**  
2:00 PM  
**Closed Christmas Day**

**Closing New Year's Eve**  
2:00 PM  
**Open New Year's Day**

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Open 7 Days 6:00AM - 9:00PM  
Tuesdays 6:00AM - 2:00PM

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Tuesday: 8:00AM-6:00PM  
Wednesday: 9:00AM-3:00PM  
Thursday: 9:00AM-6:30PM  
Friday: 8:00AM-1:00AM  
Saturday/Sunday: Closed

**101 Schanck Avenue, Pen Argyl, PA. 18072**

**Bangor Tire & Auto**

We will be closed  
Dec. 23 - Jan. 1st  
Reopening Jan. 2, 2025

We wish you a Merry Christmas!  
John, Karen and Jacob

411 South 1st Street, Bangor  
**610-588-TIRE (8473)**  
FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED

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**Bushkill Township Volunteer Fire Co.**  
155 Firehouse Lane, Nazareth, PA. 18064  
— BINGO Every Wednesday Night starting at 6:30pm —  
Kitchen Open Air Conditioning No Smoking or vaping ATM  
Cash & Credit Cards Accepted  
\$750.00 Jackpot

Weekly Specials  
\$50 Reg. Games  
\$70 Specials

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW**  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

Winner Take All, U-Pick-Em, Rob The Bank  
Bingo supports Bushkill Twp. Vol. Fire Co.

No Bingo 12/25 & 1/1

BINGO Machine with Verifier TV Monitors



## Grapevine Antiques & Crafts Mall

Where Yesterday and Today come Together  
Primitives • Antiques • Collectibles • Furniture  
Large Selection of Winter Decor & Seasonal Items

**December 7th & 8th COUNTRY CHRISTMAS**

**10%-50% ~ SAVINGS  
THROUGHOUT THE STORE**

**\*SWEET DEALS! (Dec 14th - Dec 31st)**

\*Look for the **CANDY CANE** in Booths of Participating Vendors  
Receive an Additional Discount of 5%-20% at Check-out!

137 Erin Lane, Brodheadsville (Behind CVS) Open 7 Days 10AM to 5PM  
570-992-4525

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**Give the gift of healing!**

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*Gift certificates and gift packages available for any service.*

*Closing December 23 at 3:00 PM Closed December 24 - January 2*

**Wishing my clients and friends a very  
Merry Christmas and a healthy,  
Happy New Year!**

## Scooters at Millers

96 Mt Bethel Highway, ( Rt 512), Bangor, PA 18013 - 610-419-4584

### Photos with the Grinch!

Saturdays, Dec. 7, 14, 21

11:00 AM -2:00PM

Photos are free - bring  
your camera and take  
your photos.

Pets on a leash are  
welcome too!

**Cindy Lou  
will be  
here too!**

**Drop off your  
toy donations  
for Slater  
Family  
Network**



**We have all your holiday needs:**

**Handmade arts & crafts, wreaths, grave blankets,  
holiday decor, wine, coffee, candles, chocolate,  
meat, feed, wood pellets, propane,  
stocking stuffers and more!**

**Food  
Truck**

**Hours: Monday thru Friday: 8:00am - 5:00pm;**

**Saturday: 9:00am- 4:00pm; Sunday: 9:00am-3:00pm**

## Clear Spring Farm LLC

Give the gift of Beef! Gift certificates and  
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**CHRISTMAS TRESS, WREATHS,  
GRAVE BLANKETS AND LOGS.**

**Buy Local - Support a locally owned and operated  
family farm this holiday season!**  
206 Garr Road, Easton, PA. 18040

**PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP VOL. FIRE CO.**  
6480 SULLIVAN TRAIL, WIND GAP, PA 18091

### Breakfast with Santa Claus

**Saturday, December 21 8:00AM - 11:00AM**

Join us for a morning of fun with Santa Claus! Enjoy a delicious  
breakfast, take a picture with Santa and let the kids do some  
fun activities! Santa Claus will be visiting until 11:00am.

**Breakfast includes: Scrambled eggs, pancakes, bacon,  
sausage, breakfast potatoes, toast, juice and coffee.**

**Price: \$6 for children 5-12yrs  
\$12 for adults/children 13yrs and up  
Children 0-4 years Free**

Annual Santa Claus Toy Run same day (Plainfield Township residents only)  
starting at 12:00pm! If you are interested in having Santa Claus stop by your  
home to visit your child, please bring a wrapped gift with your child's name on it and  
a \$10.00 donation (per house) to the firehouse any Monday evening between

7pm and 9pm or call the firehouse at 610-863-7383 to setup a drop off. All gifts must be dropped off  
prior to **December 21st**. Santa Toy Run form will be posted in the discussions tab.

## Artisan Gifts for the Holiday

**10% OFF  
CODE:SBB10**  
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*Gift Baskets and  
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**60 BROADWAY BANGOR  
610-588-9060**

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Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00-5:00; Saturday 9:00-4:00  
 Extended holiday hours: December 16 - 20 9:00-6:00  
 December 21 9:00-4:00; December 22 10:00-3:00  
 December 23 9:00-6:00; December 24 9:00-3:00  
 Closing Christmas Eve at 3:00 PM Closed Dec. 25 & 26

**\$500 OFF PURCHASE OF  
35.00 OR MORE.**

Expires 12/24/2024 Cannot be combined with any other offers  
 Must present add to receive discount



**Three Brother's Beverage, Inc**  
 367 Blue Valley Drive, Bangor, PA.  
 610-588-3667 (BEER)

**6 packs, 12 packs,  
Lottery Tickets, Gift Certificates.  
Make great gifts and stocking stuffers!**

*Shop small, support local!*

**HOLIDAY HOURS:**  
 Christmas Eve Tuesday, Dec. 24 closing 4:00PM  
 Closed Christmas Day  
 New Year's Eve Tuesday,  
 Dec. 31 closing 4:00 PM  
 Closed New Year's Day




**One Starry  
Night**  
 A Savior is Born

Journey back in time for an  
 unforgettable Christmas Nativity  
 experience!

Saturday, Dec. 14th, 3-5pm  
 Sunday, Dec. 15th, 2-4 p.m.

East Bangor United Methodist Community Church  
 136 W. Central Ave, East Bangor, PA 18013



**Frank's Deli  
and Farm Market**

**Catering for holiday parties & events.**  
 3ft and 6 ft subs, party trays, platters,  
 and wrap platters.

**Full hot food catering menu available.**  
*Gift certificates make perfect gifts and stocking stuffers!*

**HOLIDAY HOURS:**  
 Closing Dec. 24 at 1:00 PM  
 Closed Christmas Day - Merry Christmas  
 Dec. 31 Open regular hours  
 Open New Year's Day until 1:00 PM

2671 N. Delaware Drive, Mt Bethel, PA. 570-583-2102  
 HOURS: Monday-Friday 5:30AM-3:00PM; Saturday 6:00AM-4:00PM; Sunday 6:30AM-4:00PM

Stop in and  
 check out our  
 New Smoothie  
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 William Pensyl Social Hall  
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**Breakfast with Santa**

**ALL YOU CAN EAT**  
 Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Bacon  
 and Breakfast Potatoes,  
 Coffee, Tea and Juice

**\$10** per person  
 \*children under 5 yrs eat free

**Sunday, December 22, 2024**  
 7:30am to 11:30am

If you want Santa  
 to hand out a  
 special gift while  
 you are at breakfast,  
 please drop off a  
 wrapped, labeled  
 gift with child's  
 first and last  
 name Tuesday's  
 at the bingo hall  
 from 6:30pm to  
 9:00pm.  
 Please include  
 contact name and  
 phone.



**KOZY EMPORIUM  
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 A KIM'S KOZY CROCHET BRAND

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Unique handmade and crocheted gifts, Soy candles,  
 soaps, jewelry, cat toys, blankets and more!

**Stop by on  
Saturday, December 7 during the  
Bangor Christmas Tree Lighting!**

**Pick a Christmas Bell  
and receive a discount  
while supplies last!**

**RED  
15% Off**

Shop small.  
 Support a locally  
 owned small business this holiday season!

**Closed for vacation  
December 11th-22nd.**

**Re-opening Monday, December 23rd**

**GOLD  
25% Off**



**Come Celebrate the Miracle of Christmas at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES 7:00PM & 11:00PM**  
 (LAST LATE SERVICE IN THE SLATE BELT)  
**Led by Pastor P. James Thomas**  
 Special music 30 minutes prior to service  
**Bell Choir will perform at the 11:00PM service**



**404 BROADWAY  
BANGOR, PA**



**CANDI'S**  
**Scissors & Suds Dog Grooming**  
**Time to make your holiday appointments!**  
**Book now to guarantee your pup will be ready for the holiday season.**  
**Call today 973-668-3168**  
 Over 30 years professional dog grooming experience. I strive to keep your dog happy in a stress free, relaxed environment.  
 Proprietor: Candice Coon  
**159 Blue Valley Drive, Bangor, PA. New Location**  
 (Located behind the Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce office)



*Christmas Eve  
candlelight gathering*



December 24th  
5pm

Hopesprings  
Community of Faith  
301 Market Street  
Bangor, PA 18013

**Look for The Belt and Beyond  
Christmas Issue on December 19th**

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**THE PERFECT GIFT!**  
*Gift Card Sale*  
 Spend \$100 and  
 receive \$20 in Credit for yourself

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**Wind Gap Volunteer Fire Company**  
 111 N. Broadway Wind Gap, PA.



**FRIDAY NIGHT BINGO**  
**DOORS OPEN AT 4:00PM**  
**GAMES BEGIN AT 6:40PM**  
**KITCHEN OPEN**



**PROGRESSIVE JACKPOTS**  
**\$25 Small package**  
**\$30 Large package**

For tickets call: 610-703-8182 or purchase Friday night at the door.

**Shop Local  
this Holiday Season**





**Bangor Church of the Nazarene Sweet & Discreet**

Bangor Church of the Nazarene offers a free monthly supply of feminine hygiene products to those in need on the 4th Saturday of the month. The next give away will be **Saturday, December 21 9:00AM to 11:00AM.**

The church is located at 150 Bunny Trail Rd., Bangor, PA 18103.



**Diamond Fire Company**  
110 Main Street, Walnutport

**New Years Eve Bingo Extravaganza**  
**Tuesday, December 31, 2024**

1 Session Regular Games Pay \$200  
Jr. Jackpot Pay \$1,000 • Jackpot Pay \$2,000  
1 Winner take all • 1 Quickie  
Free Dabber  
Hot Meal included 4-6:30pm  
Doors open at 3pm • Bingo starts at 7pm  
Drawing for 2 Free Packages for Saturday for the year of 2025

**\$55 IN ADVANCE • \$60 DAY OF EVENT**  
ALL SALES FINAL • FMI call 610-767-8476

**ATM Available**

Join us on

**Thursday, December 19**

for a Christmas/New Years Celebration

Doors Open 4:00PM - BINGO starts 6:30PM

\*\*\*NO RESERVED SEATING\*\*\*

No ticket needed \$20 & \$30 packages will be sold  
\*\*Increased payouts\*\*

\$100 regular games • \$150 special games • \$1500 Jackpot!

Free giveaways to first 250 players

Complimentary snacks for all players

Winner takes all - rob the bank - 2 quickies - pull tabs 50/50

Plainfield Township Vol. Fire Co.

6480 Sullivan Trail, Wind Gap, PA.



**Price Reduction**

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Whether you're looking to establish a home office, boutique business, creative studio, or expand the first floor living space, the flexible floor plan provides endless possibilities. The home boasts original wide plank flooring, meticulously preserved to maintain its timeless appeal, and is complemented by modern upgrades such as brand new granite countertops, custom cabinetry, and stainless steel appliances in the fully renovated kitchen. Additionally the roof was recently replaced. The master bedroom features its own separate entrance, offering added privacy, and boasts a large ensuite complete with a walk-in closet. 4 additional spacious bedrooms, a sitting room/office, and full bathroom round out the second floor. The fully finished third floor is designed as the perfect entertaining space. Separate entrances ensure privacy between living and work areas. **\$474,900 Call to book your tour today!**



**Nathan Powell, Realtor**  
Office: 610-867-8888  
Cell: 610-657-4678  
refernatepowell@gmail.com



**CHRISTMAS**  
Word Search

Can you find all the Christmas-related words?

Z E N R X K S T O C K I N G R  
G C J H G A T Q H P Y F R H Z  
I M H I K O H L B O L E P N D  
N P I R Q V X J S E B C O U Q  
G K N S I G I L R M A A I T U  
E F F Y T S L S E Z J R N C D  
R O F A Q L T C G U R O S R H  
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Find out what's going on in your community in The Belt and Beyond available in print and online [www.thebeltandbeyond.com](http://www.thebeltandbeyond.com)



## Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center Community Programs, December 2024

**Snowshoes and Hiking Poles Available - Monday thru Friday, 8:15 AM-3:30 PM.** Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth. 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 emailjacobsburgsp@pa.gov. You can check our website for current winter conditions and snow depth:

<https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/WinterReport/Pages/default.aspx>

### Birds and Bagels - Citizen Science and Monitor

**Training - Saturday, December 7, 10:00AM-12:00PM**

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! We'll have a special presentation from a PA Master Naturalist on a bird inventory project and how artificial intelligence can be used to identify and conserve bird species. We'll also learn how to use the Merlin Bird ID app and go on a short bird walk. 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 19-20, Jan 2-3, 16-17, 30-31, Feb 13-14, 27-28, Mar 13-14 & 27-28.** Registration is required.

### Family Science Night - Winter Night Hike - Friday,

**December 13, 2024 6:00PM-7:30PM.** Families are invited to join us for a special after-hours exploration of Jacobsburg. We'll learn about our senses, including how our eyes work to see in the dark. We'll also learn about the adaptations of nocturnal animals and how they survive in winter. This program is best for children ages 5 and up. There will be portions of this program that will be taught in darkness without the use of lights. We will be walking about a half-mile over uneven ground in cold and dark conditions. Please dress for the weather and bring a flashlight. Registration is required.

You can view and register for community programs online at <https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search=jacobsburg> If you need an accommodation to participate in a program, please contact the park office at 610-746-2801 orjacobsburgsp@pa.gov. Interpreters for people who are deaf or hard of hearing are available for educational programs with at least seven days notice.

## Area Food Banks & Food Pantries

### Portland Upper Mt Bethel Food Bank P.U.M.P.

The Portland Upper Mt Bethel Food Pantry P.U.M.P. is open **Mondays 8:30AM to 11:30AM.** P.U.M.P. is located at 111 State Street in Portland. The phone number is 570-897-5847.

### Mission of Love Food Bank

**Every Tuesday 9:00AM to 12:00PM,** 555 North Main Street, Bangor, PA. Questions contact Pastor Frank Pons (570) 807-7794.

### Helping Hands Food Pantry at Stroudsburg Wesleyan Church

**1st and 3rd Fridays of each month from 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM.** Drive Thru Pick Up parking lot opens at 4:30 PM. 915 North 5th Street, Stroudsburg, PA. For more information contact the church 570-421-0750

### St. Elizabeth/St. Joseph Food Ministry

Corner of Genoga St. and Rte. 512, Wind Gap. The **second and fourth Saturdays of each month from 9:00AM-10:00AM.** Contact Katherine Kerler for more information:610-863-7542

### John Wesley Covenant Church

19 West Street in Wind Gap. The church offers free meals to the community **every third Thursday of the month.**

### Pleasant Valley Ecumenical Network Food Pantry, Clothing Closet, Community Service Center

The PVEN Community Service Center, located at 2334 Route 209, Sciota, PA 18354 (just outside Brodheadsville and diagonally across the street from The Flag Store) is home to their Food Pantry, Clothing Closet, Diaper Pantry, and Menstrual Hygiene Pantry. These year-round programs provide free groceries, clothing, social service referrals, and other necessary items to residents of Chestnuthill, Eldred, Hamilton, Jackson, Ross and Polk townships in Monroe County, PA. **All services are by appointment only.**

All recipients must complete registration as a new client at the PVEN office to be eligible for services. Please call (570) 992 3136 for more information on registration hours and required documentation. Once registered, clients can schedule appointments to visit the Food Pantry once each month and the Clothing Closet once every 3 months.

More information can be obtained by calling the PVEN office at (570) 992 3136, or by visiting [www.pven.net](http://www.pven.net)

### AA Meeting - McMichaels UMC

AA meets at the church every **Wednesday at 12:00PMoon** and **Saturday evening at 6:30PM.** There is no charge for the class. All meetings are confidential. Many people have found this class to be helpful and life-changing. If you or someone you know needs help in overcoming this issue, please feel free to attend. McMichaels United Methodist Church is located at 104 White Church Rd. (corner of Rte. 715 and White Church Rd.) Saylorsburg, PA.



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**Roseto Borough Christmas Tree Lighting**  
*Photos courtesy of Ken Tillman*

Roseto Borough held their annual Christmas tree lighting on Sunday, December 1, hosted by the Roseto Helping Hands. Despite the cold temperature a crowd came out for the annual lighting of the Christmas tree and the arrival of Santa Claus.





### Bangor Area High School Disney Chorale Night

*Photos by Lisa Newberry*

Disney Chorus Night was held on November 25 at the Performing Arts Theatre, at Bangor Area High School.

[See more photos on our Facebook page](#)



### MT Bethel Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Aux. Annual Fall Craft Fair

*Photos by Lisa Newberry*

The Mount Bethel Volunteer Fire Co. Ladies Aux. held their 35th annual fall craft fair at the Mount Bethel Vol. Fire Co. hall on Saturday, November 30th.

[See more photos on our Facebook page](#)





### Small Business Saturday

*Photos by Candy Martin*

Small Business Saturday was on November 30. Remember to shop small and support local businesses.



Kyle and Lisa Thomas owners of Thomas Greenhouse & Country Store



Kim Harcarik owner of Kim's Kozy Emporium Gift Shop



ABOVE: The staff at Scooters at Miller's were ready to assist customers on Small Business Saturday. They took a break to pose for a photo with The Grinch and Cindy Lou!

RIGHT: Always smiling and ready to serve customers. Pictured: Michelle, Jamie and Kim of Frank's Deli and Farm Market.



### Wind Gap Vol Fire Co. Craft Fair & Food Truck Festival

*Photos by Lisa Newberry*

The Wind Gap Vol. Fire Company held a craft fair and food truck festival on Sunday, December 1.

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**New in the Bangor Public Library**

**Adult Fiction** - The Songbird & the Heart of Stone: a Crowns of Nyaxia novel by Carissa; How to walk away by Katherine Center; Now or never: Thirty-one on the run by Janet Evanovich; Less is lost by Andrew Dean Greer; The city and its uncertain walls by Haruki Murakami 1949-; The house of Cross by James Patterson 1947-; How my neighbor stole Christmas by Maghan Quinn; The Mirror by Nora Roberts; Trial by fire: a novel by Danielle Steel; Deadly animals: a novel by Marie Tierney; Variation: a novel by Rebecca Yarros.

**Adult Non Fiction** - Windows 11 for Dummies by Allan Simpson 1953-; The Life we chose: William "Big Billy" D'Elia and the last secrets of America's most powerful mafia family by Matt Birkbeck; Unfinished Business by Sam Carrodo, Ed Rabinowitz Red Fortress: history and illusion in the Kremlin by Catherine Merridale 1959-; Cher: the memoir Part 1 by Cher 1946-.

**Easy Fiction** - Find it around the town; Wherever you go by Pat Zietlow Miller; Never Feed a Yeti by Make Believe.

**Easy Reader Fiction** - Fly Guy and the Frankenfly by Tedd Arnold.

**Young Adult Fiction** - Into the uncut grass by Trevor Noah 1984-.

**DVDs** - Beetlejuice Beetlejuice; House of the Dragon. The complete second season; Speak No Evil.

The Bangor Public Library is located at 39 S. Main Street, Bangor, PA. The phone number is 610-588 4136. **Hours: Mon., 1-8pm; Tues., 10am-8pm; Wed., 1-8pm; Thurs., 10am-8pm; Fri., 1-5pm; Sat., 10am-4pm; Sun. Closed.**



**Blue Mountain Community Library 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 continue through **December 31, 2024**. 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 adults, young adults and juvenile readers, as well as large print materials and puzzles.

**New Items at Blue Mountain Community Library**

**Adult Fiction** – Like Mother, Like Daughter, Kimberly McCreight; To Die For, David Baldacci; The Sequel, Jean Korelitz; Beyond Reasonable Doubt, Robert Dugoni; I Think I Was Murdered, Colleen Coble; The Banned Books Club, Brenda Novak; In Too Deep, Lee Child; Christmas Cupcake Murder, Joanne Fluke.

**Adult Large Print** – Be Ready When Luck Happens, Ina Garten.

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 our Facebook page and website @www.bmcl.org

**CHRISTMAS**

*Word Search Answers*

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