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Spring

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## WEEKEND HAPPENINGS

### Spring Has Sprung Vendor Extravaganza & Tricky Tray

Saturday, March 19, 10:00am to 3:00pm.  
 Slate Belt Branch of the Greater Valley YMCA,  
 315 W. Pennsylvania Ave., Pen Argyl

### Spring Kickoff Bird Walk - Waste Management's Grand Central Environmental Education Center

Since Winter brought us ice, we are kicking off Spring (a day early!) on **Saturday, March 19th, 11:00am to 12:30pm** with a bird walk at the facility. Join us for a mile walk around the landfill as we explore and search for Spring birds. Walking shoes, boots are a must. Please dress for the weather. Cameras/binoculars are welcome. Register by emailing Adrienne Fors [afors1@wm.com](mailto:afors1@wm.com) Open to all ages!

### 43rd Annual PIAC St. Patrick's Day Parade

Hosted by Pocono Irish American Club. **Sunday, March 20th, 1:30 pm.** The Parade will begin at Stroudsburg High School and ends at Crystal Street in East Stroudsburg. Step off time is at **1:30pm.**

### Roseto Helping Hands Cash Bingo

The Roseto Helping Hands will host a Bingo on **Sunday, March 20th** at Roseto American Legion, 143 Garibaldi Ave. Roseto, PA. Doors open at **12:00pm** Bingo starts at **1:00pm.** For tickets call 484-221-0047.

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## MARCH

### NATIONAL COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

### MARCH NATIONAL DAYS

MARCH 17 NATIONAL CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DAY

MARCH 18 NATIONAL SLOPPY JOE DAY

MARCH 19 NATIONAL LET'S LAUGH DAY

MARCH 20 FIRST DAY OF SPRING

MARCH 21 NATIONAL COMMON COURTESY DAY

MARCH 22 NATIONAL AG DAY

MARCH 23 NATIONAL PUPPY DAY

MARCH 24 NATIONAL CHEESESTEAK DAY

MARCH 25 NATIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR DAY

MARCH 26 NATIONAL SPINACH DAY

MARCH 27 NATIONAL JOE DAY

MARCH 29 NATIONAL VIETNAM WAR VETERANS DAY

### MARCH HOLIDAY

MARCH 17 - ST PATRICK'S DAY

**Holy Family School's 3rd Annual Tricky Tray Weekend**

Holy Family School Will hold its third annual Tricky Tray weekend **March 25th-27th** at the Holy Family Parish Center, 508 West Center Street, Nazareth, PA. 18064  
For more info:  
<https://sites.google.com/view/hfs-hsa/tricky-tray-weekend>

**AWSOM Animal Shelter Catpacity Adoption Event**

AWSOM Catpacity Open House cat adoption event.  
**Saturday, March 26, 2022 11:00am - 3:00pm**  
3129 Godfrey Ridge Dr., Stroudsburg  
FMI:[www.awsomanimals.org](http://www.awsomanimals.org)

**Christ Presbyterian Church of the Slate Belt**

Christ Presbyterian Church of the Slate Belt Hospitality Luncheon Christ Presbyterian Church of the Slate Belt will hold their monthly hospitality luncheon on **Saturday, March 27th, 11:30am to 130pm**. Both dine-in and takeout are offered. The church is located at 332 Kennedy Drive, Bangor, PA 18013. Phone is 610-588-4864.

**Lower Mt. Bethel Sandt's Eddy Fire Co. Cheese Steak Fundraiser**

**Saturday, April 2nd, 4:30pm to 6:30pm**, Pre-Orders accepted until **March 26th**. To order email [LMBT26@gmail.com](mailto:LMBT26@gmail.com) or call Bea Larrison at 610-597-3802. Delivery available in LMBT for a \$ 2.00 fee.

**McMichaels UMC Donation Only Breakfast**

**Saturday, April 9th, 8:00am to 10:00am**. Come and enjoy a complete breakfast includes beverages. All are welcome. McMichaels UMC 104 White Church Rd., (located on the corner of Route 715 and White Church Rd.) Saylorsburg, PA.

**Count Down to Spring  
3 Days**

**First Day of Spring  
Monday, March 20**

**Mt Bethel Fire Co. Ladies Auxilliary****28th Annual Spring Craft/Vendor Show****Saturday, March 19, 2022****9:00 AM - 3:00 PM****80 Vendors****Bake Sale, Door Prizes & 50/50****SPACE STILL****AVAILABLE CALL****Diane 973-202-3317****2341 N. Delaware Drive****Mt Bethel, PA 18343****\$2****ADMISSION****12 yr and up****Kitchen  
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*~ English Proverb*

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### Weona Park Pool Pals Meeting

The Weona Park Pool Pals will meet on **Monday, April 4th, at 7:00pm** at the Pen Argyl Borough Hall, on Robinson Avenue, Pen Argyl, PA. The public is invited and encouraged to attend and get involved.

The Weona Park swimming pool was always a source of pride in Pen Argyl. From it's opening in 1921 it continuously enhanced and improved/ It became one of the nicest swimming facilities in the area. In recent times it was reluctantly closed due to the need for extensive repairs to the filtration and infrastructure.

Over the past two years, Pen Argyl Borough Council completed a Master Site Plan and Pool Feasibility Study for the Park. In surveys and focus groups, re- construction of the pool retains a very high level of interest and enthusiasm from the community. Weona Park Pool Pals in cooperation with the Pen Argyl Athletic and Park Association is conducting fundraising for this project. Donations are gratefully accepted for this project and will be directed to other park improvements if within 10 years this effort does not yield sufficient funds to construct a new aquatic center.

Donors will be enthusiastically acknowledged unless they request otherwise. Donors are asked to include their email address/phone number with their donations. Donation checks can be made payable to: Donation checks can be made payable to: Pen Argyl Athletic and Park Association mail to:

**Weona Park Pool Pals**  
**P.O. Box 42, Pen Argyl, PA 18072**

All donations are tax deductible. For more information about the Weona Park Pool Pals please call 610-863-6472

### On the Spot Dry Cleaners Celebrates 17 Years in Business

On the Spot Dry Cleaners will observe it's 17 year anniversary on **March 22nd**. Owner Angel Feliciano has owned and operated the business for the past 17 years at it's Robinson Avenue location in Pen Argyl.

Angel along with his daughter, Angelic, who assists him with every aspect of the business, pride themselves on providing quality dry cleaning services and customer service. They offer prom and wedding gown cleaning and preservation and the best shirt service in the area. They also offer alteration services and cleaning of leathers and furs and uniform cleaning for workers, fire and police departments, sports teams, and marching bands.

"I would like to thank all my customers for their continued patronage and support over the past 17 years. It has been a pleasure to be apart of this wonderful community. My customers in the Slate Belt and surrounding communities have been very loyal and we appreciate that and strive to give them the best service possible." said Angel

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### Blue Valley Farm Show Scholarship Applications Available

The Blue Valley Farm Show has available to any student who is or has been a member of the Northampton County 4-H Clubs, two \$750 scholarships for the 2022-2023 school year.

Applications must be returned by **March 31st, 2022**. The scholarships will be presented to the winners during the annual Blue Valley Farm Show in August.

For more information contact Audrey Koehler, 610-498-3389.

### Foot long Fridays is back!

Trinity Lutheran Church, located at 4th and Broadway, is happy to announce that our once monthly free hoagie dinner is back! Foot long Fridays will take place the second Friday of every month beginning **April 8th** and continue through **December**. A bagged hoagie dinner will include a choice of hoagie, water, juice, chips and treats! This drive up/walk up dinner is free to anyone who is in need of a meal. Pick up time is between **5:00pm to 6:30pm** and there is no need to call in advance - just go to the large church parking lot located on Broadway.

**WELCOME**  
**Spring**



# Driven by Values and Commitment: Green Knights' Character Recognized

## Congratulations on Making Character Count in the Slate Belt!



Pen Argyl High School students, teachers and administrators can take pride in being named a "State School of Character" this year by Character.Org, the only school in Pennsylvania to receive the prestigious award in 2022.

Pen Argyl's "Code of the Green Knights" – Protect Integrity, Accept Challenges, Honor Diversity and Salute Kindness – exemplify Character.Org's goal of creating a future where honest, trustworthy, respectful people treat others as they want to be treated.

Nearly 30 years ago, Character.org established its "11 Principles Framework for Schools: A Guide to Cultivating a Culture of Character," a comprehensive framework created by school leaders and education researchers to support strong character development in the nation's schools.

Congratulations Pen Argyl High School students and faculty on your hard work to achieve this recognition!

This commitment to integrity has inspired Grand Central's team to make a four-year, \$80,000 pledge to support the Character Education program at Pen Argyl Area School District.

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## UPCOMING SPRING EVENTS

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**Gun & Sportsman Show Sunday, March 20,**  
9am to 3pm, Admission \$5

**Breakfast with the Easter Bunny**



**Sunday, April 10, 7:30am to 11:30am,**

All You Can Eat, \$10 per person, kids under 5yrs FREE

**Gun & Sportsman Show Sunday May 22, 9am**  
to 3pm, Admission \$5

**Spring Craft & Vendor Show**



**Saturday, May 28, 9am to 3pm,**

FREE Admission, OUTDOORS downtown

Portland at the Train Depot, rain location indoors at 111 State St.

**Brick Bingo, is back!!! Saturday, June 11,**  
doors open at 11am, BINGO 1pm,



see Facebook or website for pricing and tickets.

Event Info:

www.portlandhookandladder.com and Facebook @PortlandHookandladder

Please follow us to stay up to date on future events as more will be added.

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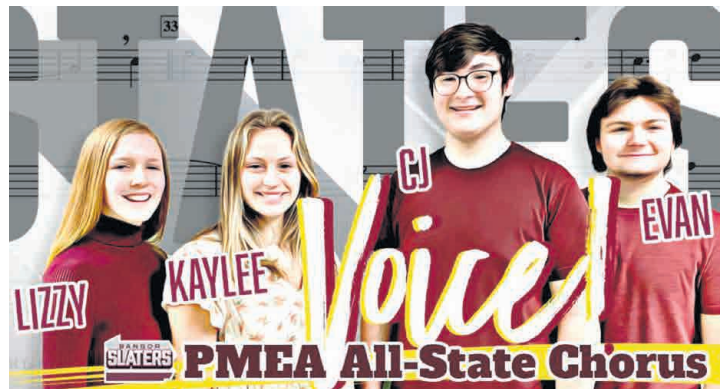
## Four Students From Bangor Area High School To Participate in All-State Honors Chorus

Four Students from Bangor Area High School reached the highest level a high school musician can achieve by earning places in the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) All-State Festival music ensemble. These four were among the 25 Bangor Students who were selected for District 10 Chorus in January. District 10 includes approximately 75 schools. Of these, 14 Bangor students were selected for Region V Chorus along with students from 150 other schools. These numbers are among the highest in Pennsylvania.

Each year, thousands of high school musicians across the state audition in their geographic area. Individually, students perform for a panel of judges. Student musicians who rank the highest advance to compete against student musicians from other parts of PMEA Regions. The highest-ranking student musicians at the PMEA Region level qualify to perform in the Pennsylvania All-State Chorus.

Students selected from Bangor are Lizzy Rutt, Kaylee Holland, CJ Fassel and Evan Finkbeiner. They will also be performing in Les Miserables on April 1-3 at the M Craig Paine Theater in Bangor Area High School.

The annual PMEA All-State Festival is at the Kalahari Resort in The Poconos **April 8-9, 2022.**



(L to R) Lizzy Rutt, Kaylee Holland, CJ Fassel, Evan Finkbeiner

## GLVA Force Basketball Champs

The Greater Lehigh Valley Athletics Force Basketball team had an Undefeated Season. The team of 4th grade 9 and 10 year old boys from throughout the Lehigh Valley had ended their season with a record of 12-0. Congratulations boys!



Pictured L-R Benjamin Stauffer, Tomas' DeBranca, Julius Sampson, Brayden Cosover, Jahquir Laney, Jax Familia, Harrison Taylor, Lucas Sandt. Back row (l to r) Asst. Coach Jordan, Coach Dave Orinski, and Asst. Coach Chase

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**Slater Family Network 15th Annual  
Silent Auction**

Slater Family Network will hold its 15th annual Spring Silent Auction on **Saturday, April 23rd, 2022** at Five Points Elementary School. This year, the auction will be held in person!

Businesses and individuals who would like to donate In-kind, monetary, gift baskets, gift cards or any donation you wish would be greatly appreciated. Monetary donations can be focused on any theme prize/gift card you wish and leave the shopping to us! Our goal is to create prize baskets valued at \$50 and up, allowing for greater prize interest and a more focused fundraiser!

Attendees will be able to browse and place tickets in the desired baskets for 2 hours prior to the auction. Over 100 baskets, gift cards and more will be up for bid!

All proceeds are used for our Emergency Fund to help local families in need.

Slater Family Network is a non-profit 501(C) (3) family center serving the residents of the Bangor Area School District. We provide resources, referrals, and programs to empower residents to meet their needs and goals. Serving the community for over 20 years. We assist families with food, clothing, rent, health insurance, utilities, counseling and much more.

Questions, please call the Slater Family Network office at 610-599-7019, or email Damourpa@bangorsd.org

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## Happy 100th Birthday

Happy 100th Birthday to Mary Hontz who celebrated her birthday on March 3rd. Mary is a resident at Slate Belt Nursing and Rehab.

Center. Mary was born in Wind Gap, PA, on March 3, 1922, and was married to the late Harold Hontz on June 20, 1942. at Trinity Church. Mary graduated from Pen Argyl High School where she also worked in the cafeteria for twenty years. Mary has two sons, Thomas and Donald, 6 grandchildren, and 10 great grandchildren. Happy Birthday Mary!



## Flood Announces Upcoming Shredder Event

In an effort to promote identity protection, Rep. Ann Flood (R-Northampton) is hosting a shredder event on **Saturday, April 2nd from 10:00am to noon** at Wind Gap Middle School, located at 1620 Teels Road in Pen Argyl.

"Identity theft is one of the fastest growing crimes in our state and our nation," Flood said. "We all need to be proactive in protecting our identities and shredding documents with personal identifying information is an important step."

Residents of the 138th District are invited to dispose of documents with sensitive information, such as Social Security, bank account or credit card numbers. There is no charge for using the service provided by Richter Mobile Shredding of Souderton.

Participants are reminded that only four boxes or bags of paper per household are allowed.

In an effort to protect the health and safety of everyone involved, this will be a contact-free event. Participants are asked to stay in their vehicles while staff unloads the items.

The event is open to residents only; no businesses, please.

## Mission of Love Food Bank

Every Tuesday 10:00am to 12:00pm, 555 North Main Street, Bangor, PA. Questions contact Pastor Frank Pons (570) 807-7794.

## 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. For the safety of all please remember masks are required. P.U.M.P. is located at 111 State Street in Portland. The phone number is 570-897-5847.



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WEDNESDAY-Cheesesteak w/sauce & onions, 16oz. soda \$8.50+tax FRIDAY-10" Italian Hoagie, 16oz. soda \$8.50+tax

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**Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center  
Community Programs, March 2022**

**Fishing Rods and Tackle Available - Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm.** Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth. Borrow fishing poles and tackle to use in Jacobsburg's creeks! To borrow equipment, you must provide a driver's license or other form of state issued identification. Persons age 16 and older must possess a current fishing license to fish. Adults can help children under 16 fish without a license. Bait is not provided. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email [jacobsburgsp@pa.gov](mailto:jacobsburgsp@pa.gov).

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**Ice Harvesting - Saturday, March 19 at 10:30am to 11:30am.** Before refrigeration, ice harvesting from frozen lakes and ponds was a very large industry and an important part of rural life. Iceboxes, the precursor to the refrigerator, were common in many households and ice harvested during the winter were used to keep the icebox cold. The commercial ice industry utilized huge icehouses to store the harvested ice for distribution by the iceman to customers. In addition, many farmers constructed small icehouses that were filled with ice for their own use to preserve food. Guest speaker Bill Leonard, Jr. will cover the history of ice harvesting, the tools used, how ice was harvested, and a local ice harvest that continues today.

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 or [jacobsburgsp@pa.gov](mailto:jacobsburgsp@pa.gov). Interpreters for people who are deaf or hard of hearing are available for educational programs with at least five days notice.

**Overeaters Anonymous**

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**Serenity Narcotics Anonymous Meeting at McMichaels UMC**

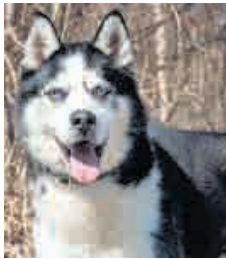
**Serenity Narcotics Anonymous** meets every **Monday at 6:30pm** at the church. The meeting is open to all who need to talk and fellowship with those who understand What you are experiencing and you can get the help you need and desire to overcome your problem. The meeting is free and confidential.

**AA Meetings** - AA meetings are held every **Wednesday at 12:00pm** and **every Saturday at 6:30pm**. If you require assistance with this issue, please join one or both of these meetings and receive the help you are seeking. You will be gathering with others who understand. McMichaels UMC is located on the corner of Rt. 715 and 204 Church Rd., Saylorsburg, PA.

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### Bangor Area High School National Honor Society Winter Carnival

The Bangor High School National Honor Society hosted a winter carnival at Bangor Middle School in the gym on Friday, March 4th.

Photos by Lisa Newberry  
See more photos on our Facebook page



**BHS Pancake Breakfast**  
The Bangor High School Drama Department hosted the seventh annual pancake breakfast with the cast of "Les Misérables" at the Bangor Area High School Cafeteria on Saturday, March 5th.

Photos by Lisa Newberry



## Bangor Women's Club News

Submitted by Marilyn Mehas

The Bangor Women's Club GFWC held their 2022 Annual Arts Festival in February.

### CLUB CRAFT

Two members submitted entries. **Carolyn Smith** was awarded first place for decorated bottle. **Margaret Lovelace** received first place for her photography "Eying the Oculus".

Jim and Angeline Gloria judged all the art. First-place winning art entries will go to the District Arts Festival in March.

### ART

Bangor High School, Heidi Molinaro's Painting Class submitted 7 entries in the art Division 4, (grades 9, 10, 11, & 12).

First - **Brandon Laurie** "Metamorphosis"; Second - **Jillian Phillips** "Split"; Third - **Kara La Bar** "Water Bottle Close Up"

Bangor Junior High School submitted 3 entries in Division 3, (grades 6, 7, & 8).

First - **Katelyn Tenney** "Anime Character"; Second - **Rebecca Teague** "Happy Ending"; Third - **Jenna Lehman** "Roses"

Bangor DeFranco Elementary, submitted 1 entry in Division 2, (grades 3, 4, & 5).

First - **Vivienne Ruch** "Magic"

Kay Nell and Shirley Cline from "Friends of the Bangor Public Library" judged the Literature and Poetry competition. The first-place winning poetry and literature submissions will go directly to the State competition.

### POETRY

Faith Christian School submitted 10 items in Category 1. First - **Kylene Slater** "The Arctic"; Tie for Second - **Darren Dabb** "Fluffy" and **Oliver Mendez** "In The Ocean"; Third - **Julian Lago** "In The Arctic"

Faith Christian School submitted 15 items in Category 2. First - **Abigail Shipman** "Brave Cat Blizzard"; Second - **Jackson Kibler** "Most Marvelous Creature Ever"; Third - **Ella O'Keefe** "Mysterious Forest Figures"

### SHORT STORIES

Faith Christian School submitted 17 entries in Category 1 (grades K, 1, & 2).

First - **Hunter Schaarschmidt** "Minecraft"; Second - **Georgiana Lago** "Abuela Lola"; Tie for Third - **Teigan Goulet** "Drives With My Family"; and Aaron Ramirez "Universal"

Faith Christian School submitted 17 items in Category 2 (grades 3, 4, & 5)

First - **Briella Kimes** "The Snowstorm"; Second - Katherine De Candia "The Beach"; Third - **Levi Lessig** "Stranded in Arizona"

Bangor Junior High School submitted 1 and Faith Christian School submitted 20 entries in Category 3 (grades 6, 7, & 9)

First - **Emma Confalone** "Warrior"; Tie for Second - **Kaylee Bustamante** "Flower's Embrace" and "Becoming My Creation"; Third - **Hannah Anderson** "Evangline The Empress of the Dark Fairies"

Faith Christian School submitted 29 items in Category 4 (grades 9, 10, 11, & 12)

First - **Hope Light** "Hidden"; Tie for Second **Megan Erwin** "Brilliant Colors" and **Aiden Kimes** "The Battle of Alliances"; Tie for Third - **Robyn Van Dank** "A Pirate's Life" and **Christian Mc Elroy** "Next Man Up"; Tie for Honorable Mention - **James Blair** "Zenith" and **Thaddeus Szmaciasz** "Conscious Explosion"

Thank you to Heidi Bates, President, for organizing this successful event; Faith Christian and Bangor Schools for their cooperation; the judges Kay Nell, Shirley Cline, Jim and Angeline Gloria for all their efforts in selecting the winners; and all the club members and students who submitted excellent entries. We wish success to all those moving on to District and State competitions.



# Spring

## Word Search

Find all of the spring related words in the word search puzzle.

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**Adult Non-Fiction** - Mrs. B's Guide to Household Witchery: Everyday Magic, Spells, and Recipes by Kris Bradley; The Jesus I Know: Honest Conversations and Diverse Opinions About Who He Is by Kathie Lee Gifford; The Encyclopedia of Essential Oils: A Complete Guide to the Use of Aromatics in Aromatherapy, Herbalism, Health & Well-Being by Julia Lawless.

**Large Print Fiction** - Think Twice by Lisa Scottoline.

**Easy Fiction** - Pout-Pout Fish: Lucky Leprechaun by Wes Adams; Like a Windy Day by Frank Asch; There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Clover! by Lucille Colandro; Happy St. Patrick's Day Curious George by Cynthia Platt; Kite Day: A Bear and Mole Story by Will Hillenbrand; The Little Leprechaun Who Loved Yellow! by Sally Huss; 12 Days of St. Patrick's Day by Jenna Lettice.

**Easy Nonfiction** - My Five Senses by Aliki.

**Easy Reader Nonfiction** - I am a Leaf by Jean Marzollo.

**Junior Fiction** - Across Five Aprils by Irene Hunt; The Venom Spreads by Erin Hunter; Tiger Honor by Yoon Ha Lee; Freewater by Amina Luqman-Dawson; Om-Kas-Toe: Blackfeet Twin Captures an Elkdog by Kenneth Thomasma.

**Junior Nonfiction** - If You Were There When They Signed the Constitution by Elizabeth Levy; A More Perfect Union: The Story of Our Constitution by Betsy Maestro; Usborne Science Activities: Volume One by Helen Edom; Why Do People Eat? by Kate Needham; On the Run in Ancient China by Linda Bailey; Game on in Ancient Greece by Linda Bailey; The Pilgrims of Plimoth by Marcia Sewall.

The Bangor Public Library is located at 39 South Main Street, Bangor, PA. Phone 610-588-4136.



### Local Author Robert L. Martin to Publish Fourth Book

You may recognize the name of local author Robert L. Martin, from reading his poems in *The Belt and Beyond*. Robert, who resides in Bangor, has been writing most of his life, first as a hobby and in the mid 90's he became serious about writing. To date he has written over 2,000 poems. He has published three books, "The Air Almighty", "Wings of Inspiration" and "Rhymes of the Joke Machine", his fourth book titled "Martin's World" is currently in the process of being published.

Robert's daughter Renata, who resides in California, has designed all the covers for his books and his friend Linda



Wespy has helped with the illustrations of all of his books.

When asked what the most tedious part of writing has been Robert quickly replied "coming up with titles for my poems can sometimes be a lengthy process."

When Robert isn't writing he enjoys playing the organ.

You can find him every Sunday morning at the First United Methodist Church of Wind Gap (he has been the organist for the past 29 years).

His books can be purchased at Barnes & Noble and Amazon. You can also find Robert's books at the Bangor Public Library.

### Blossoms Stirring by Robert L. Martin

Blossoms stirring in the vernal air  
And coming to life with pretentious flair  
From branches stripped by winter's teeth  
And the cold sinking to the floor beneath,

Springtime comes as the warm days return,  
As the days go by and the seasons churn,  
The same as last year and the years before,  
The law of the seasons is nature's lore.

### Friends of the Bangor Public Library Collecting Costume Jewelry

The Friends of the Bangor Public Library are in the process of collecting costume jewelry for a fundraiser, which will be held at their Spring Book Sale in May. If you have donations kindly drop them off at the library during regular hours. The Friends are a group of volunteers who raise funds for operational costs at the library.

If you are interested in joining them the next meeting will be on **Thursday, March 24th at 7:00pm**. The Friends meet the 4th Thursday of each month. The Friends conduct two Public Book Sales in May and August, in addition to a yard sale in October. Author visits and a visit from Santa are among their public services. For more information contact the librarian at 610-588-4136 or Karen Brewer at 484-894-5661.

### BMCL Fundraiser at Cafe on Broadway

A Fundraiser for The Blue Mountain Community Library will be held on **Thursday, March 24th, from 11:00am to 6:00pm** at the Café on Broadway, 21 S. Broadway in Wind Gap, PA. The Café will generously donate a portion of all sales that day to the library. All food is fresh and made to order and you are encouraged to call ahead with your order. Limited seating is available. Specials are listed on the restaurant's Facebook page. Menus are available at the Café, at the Library or on their Facebook page. The phone # is 610-881-4261. Your support of this fundraiser to benefit the library will be greatly appreciated. Call 610-863-3029 for information or visit [www.bmcl.org](http://www.bmcl.org). Find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/bmclpenargyl](http://www.facebook.com/bmclpenargyl).



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