

**The Slate Belt Heritage Center** will hold their monthly historic program on Sunday, February 9th @ 2:00 PM. Speaker for the afternoon will be Mr. Larry Cory who will do a presentation on the former Flory's Dam. Once located on North Main Street, Flory's Dam was a popular place for winter spots like ice skating and hockey during the first half of the century. It was also the site of the first Bangor Park where football, baseball and softball were played in addition to swimming and fishing. Come and hear about the famous "Ice Bowl" played by Bangor & Pen Argyl and other interesting stories. Flory's Dam is named after Bangor industrialist Solomon Flory. The event is free and open to the public. The Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA. For additional information please contact: Karen Brewer @ 484-894-5661.

## NCC Winter Commencement 2025

By NCC

Northampton Community College is hosting its annual Winter Commencement ceremony on Saturday, January 25, at 11 a.m., at the Spartan Center located on the Bethlehem Campus on Green Pond Road.

Network Director of Community Workforce Development at St. Luke's University Health Network, Victoria Montero, will be the featured commencement speaker.

More than 250 students from across the region and beyond will graduate with all the pomp and circumstance they have earned, making this a great photo and video opportunity!

NCC's President, Dr. David A. Ruth, will share several student success stories during his remarks. Pride and joy are evident throughout the ceremony!

If you would like to cover the event or have any questions, please contact Mia Rossi-Marino at [Mrossimarino@northampton.edu](mailto:Mrossimarino@northampton.edu) or 610-861-4122.

## Hostages

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Israeli President Isaac Herzog celebrated their return in a statement. "Romi, Emily, and Doron – so beloved and missed – an entire nation rejoices at your return," Herzog said. "We send you and your families a huge embrace. This is a day of joy and comfort, and the beginning of a challenging journey of recovery and healing together."

"At this moment, our hearts are with all the anxious and grieving families whose loved ones have not yet returned. We will not rest or be silent until we bring back all our sisters and brothers from the hell of captivity in Gaza – the living to their families, and the fallen and murdered to be laid to rest in dignity," he added.

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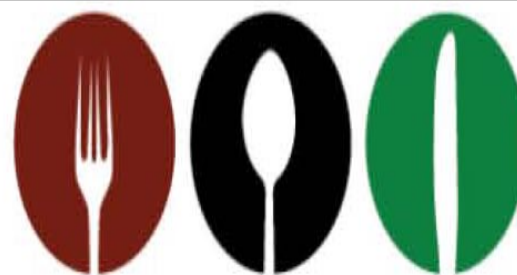
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