







Bangor Women's Club and The Friends of the Bangor Library Team Up

By Heidi Bates

Our Bangor Women's Club teamed up with The Friends of the Bangor Library to sell decorated wreaths on the Friday and Saturday after Thanksgiving. The proceeds from the sale were presented to Kathleen Lynch, Director of the Bangor Library.

Our January Arts Festival contest was judged by Jim and Angeline Gloria. In Division I (K-2) Maren Lechman's "The Toucan" placed 1st, Piper Tafel's "Under the Sea" 2nd, and Grady Lechman's "Under the Sea" 3rd.

In Division II (3-5) Christopher Gardner's "Horizon" placed 1st, Sarah Hutcheson's "Women Around the World" 2nd, and Alani Blount's "Exhale: it's Good for the Heart" 3rd. Thank you students of Washington Elementary and 5 PTS Elementary for all your marvelous submissions! The poetry and short stories from Faith Christian, Washington Elementary, and Bangor Area High School are being judged by Nikki Hugan and Diane Abbot with the winners going on to the state level GFWC PA contest in March.

We'll be making Valentines for the folks at Slate Belt Nursing & Rehab Center and planning our April 24th Card Party at Trinity United Church of Christ. We hope to see you all at our May Bake Sale at Capitol Ace Hardware which benefits our annual high school senior scholarship.

2025 GKEDC Community Grant News Release

By Bob Cornman

PEN ARGYL - The Green Knight Economic Development Corporation (GKEDC) has distributed over \$900,000 to more than fifty non-profit organizations in the Wind Gap, Pen Argyl, and Plainfield Township areas through their community grant program over the last twenty years and expects this total to reach over \$1,000,000 by the end of 2025. Community grants are limited to a maximum of \$5000 each.

The past organizations include Families First, Blue Mountain Community Library, and Pen Argyl Parks and Athletic Association to repair the slate roof on the historic carousel at Weona Park. Other organizations that have received support include Pen Argyl Borough Outreach, Wind Gap Beautification Program, Wind Gap Borough Park Board, Sullivan Trail Sertoma, various volunteer fire and ambulance companies, local Boy Scout troops and athletic organizations.

For 2025 GKEDC community grants are being accepted from 1 February, 2025, to 31 May, 2025, and will be awarded in June 2025. Grant information and applications are available on the Grant page at the GKEDC website GKEDC.org.



Bangor Area School District Kindergarten Registration Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE January 1, 2025

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION WELCOME CLASS OF 2038!

The Bangor Area School District (BASD) is excited to welcome the Class of 2038! The kindergarten team at Five Points Elementary School is looking forward to working with our new kindergarten class for the 2025-2026 School Year. A child is eligible for kindergarten if he/she

- ➤ is at least the age of five (5) years by August 25, 2025.
- resides within the boundaries of BASD.
- > successfully completes the district's kindergarten screening process.

Kindergarten registration is online. Online kindergarten registration is available for parents and/or guardians through the district website (www.bangorslaters.com). Once packets are received and confirmed complete, BASD will contact parents/guardians to schedule a kindergarten screening appointment in June of 2025. Completed packets must be received no later than May 16, 2025, to guarantee a screening appointment in June. A completed registration includes:

- > Parent/Guardian Photo Identification
- ➤ Proof of child's birth date (must be at least five (5) years by August 25, 2025)
- > Two (2) proofs of residency
- Immunizations
- Physical Exam Record
- Dental Exam Record

To schedule a screening appointment, the completed online registration and mandatory documents must be submitted and approved by the registration secretary. Kindergarten screenings for the 2025-2026 School Year will occur in June of 2025. All screenings are by appointment only. An adult must accompany the child for their screening appointment. Our kindergarten staff is eager to meet and work with your child!

For more information, please contact: Dr. Joseph Kondisko, Director of Student Services Bangor Area School District 123 Five Points Richmond Road Bangor, PA 18013 610-588-2163



Families First of Pen Argyl

Sunday, March 9, 2025



Doors open at 11 am, Games begin at 1 pm

Wind Gap Volunteer Fire Company

111 N. Broadway Wind Gap, PA 18091

Call Families First at (610) 863-3688, or visit: www.familiesfirstpenargyl.org, to purchase advance tickets Tickets (limited availability): \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door

> Ticket required for admission (ALL ages)

Additional Games and Special Game Tickets available

*Must be 18 to win

Families First of Pen Argyl provides service, programs, resources, and an environment in which family members in the Pen Argyl Area School District are assisted towards a better quality of life.