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Mission of Love Food Bank

Every Tuesday- Food Bank Program 555 North Main St., Bangor, 10am-12pm. All are invited Bilingual Services. Pastor Frank Pons. (570) 807-7794

Explore Warren County Tourism at: ExploreWarren.org

Located at 165 County Route 519 South - Belvidere, NJ 07823 908-475-6580 / 800-554-8540

Portland Upper Mt. Bethel Food Bank

Located at 111 State St. Portland Pa. and until further notice the PUMP will be open every Monday as normal, AM AND PM: 10 to 11:30 am & 6:00 to 7:30 pm but will deliver food to your car as your number is called in the parking lot. No one but workers will be allowed to go inside. There will be no access to restrooms. Your cooperation during this difficult time is greatly appreciated.

Biking

Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area - River Road Bushkill, PA (570) 426-2452 Levee Loop Trail - Biking East Stroudsburg, PA (570) 426-1512 info@srosr.org

BIKE TRAIN

ALL ABOARD THE SCENIC BIKE TRAIN!

Hop on the Bike Train and step back in time. Enjoy a relaxing 25 mile train ride through the Lehigh Gorge. Then, pedal your bike back down to Jim Thorpe at your own pace along the Lehigh Gorge Rail Trail.

Advance Tickets/reservations Are Required For The Bike Train And Can Be Made By Calling The Blue Mountain & Northern Railroad (Aka Lehigh Gorge Scenic Railway) Directly At

Wineries in the Poconos

Pocono wineries offer a unique and relaxing getaway. Tour a winery and unwind while sampling the many varieties of vintages available at our vineyards. From hip downtown wine bars like RAW Urban Winery & Hard Cider, Tolino Vineyards and Wild Elder Wine and Cider Co. to scenic properties like Mountain View Vineyard Winery and Sorrenti Cherry Valley Vineyards where rows of grapes are spread out on the hill before you, these wineries are located throughout our four-county region, so a Pocono vineyard experience is close to you no matter where you travel. Pocono wine tours, wine tastings and special wine pairing events and dinners make it easy to discover new, locally-crafted, one-of-a-kind flavors. Check out specials at Three Hammers Winery in Hawley, Soaked Winery in Milford, Eagles Rest Cellars in Stroudsburg and Wine & More on 1st in Lehighton. Whether looking for a bachelorette party or relaxing with your spouse, browse the wineries in the Poconos below to

Jewish Federation of the Lehigh Valley
www.jewishlehighvalley.org/

ONGOING EVENTS FIRST OR SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

Bnai Shalom Cash Bingo
 1 p.m., Congregation Bnai Shalom
 Join Bnai Shalom for its monthly bingo games on the first Sunday of most months but on the second Sunday of September and December. There's no game in October. For more information call 610-258-5343.

MONDAYS

Yiddish Club

2-3:30 p.m., JCC via Zoom
 Experience the joys of Yiddish via Zoom as part of Adults at the J. The group meets weekly to discuss topics like cooking, humor, music and all kinds of entertainment in the Yiddish language. All are welcome to join this lively weekly discussion. There is something for everyone no matter if you know a few words or are a fluent speaker. Enjoy fun, fellowship, stories and more. Participants Zoom in from five states. No cost. Call 610-435-3571, ext. 501.

MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS

Online Jewish Yoga Studio
 Mondays 11-11:45 a.m., Thursdays 4-4:45 p.m., Institute for Jewish Spirituality
 Mindful body practices help people find shelter right where they are, in their bodies, in this very moment. Join yoga teacher and IJS faculty member Rabbi Myriam Klotz or Cantor Lizzie Sham-mash as she guides you in an all-levels yoga and movement session informed by Jewish spiritual teachings and designed to relieve stress as participants increase awareness of breath and grounding through their bodies. Open to all. No experience needed. Sign up now.

TUESDAYS

Weekly Torah Study
 11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m., Institute for Jewish Spirituality
 Rabbi Jonathan Slater will lead the weekly program "Torah Study to Sustain the Soul," aimed at addressing an aspect of spiritual life that will help participants navigate this time of uncertainty and isolation. Open to all. No previous knowledge needed. Sign up now.

WEDNESDAYS

Yoga with Miriam Sandler: Chair-Supported Yoga
 1-2 p.m., Congregation Brith Shalom
 Participants sit in a comfortable chair, preferably armless (folding works well). Some standing poses holding onto a chair are offered, though students may choose to remain seated. Modifications are given. Open to the public in person, and live stream available to all via Zoom. \$10 drop-in fee payable to Congregation Brith Shalom. For more information, email mbserow@gmail.com. Join the Zoom meeting here.

WEDNESDAYS

Torah Studies: A Weekly Journey into the Soul of Torah
 7 p.m., Chabad of the Lehigh Valley in person and via Zoom

Torah Studies by the Jewish Learning Institute presents Season One 5784, a 12-part series, in person and via Zoom. Cost is \$54 for the course, including textbook. For more information, call 610-351-6511 or email rabbi@chabadlehighvalley.com.

EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY

Hadassah Study Group
 12:30 p.m., via Zoom
 The group discusses short stories from an anthology. Always welcoming new participants. Contact mjclaire@gmail.com or 610-972-7054 to sign up.

THURSDAYS

Basic Yiddish Class
 4-5:30 p.m., Jewish Community Center via Zoom
 Learn to read, write, speak and comprehend Yiddish. Textbooks from the Yiddish Book Center available for purchase. Call 610-435-3571, ext. 501.

DAILY

Jewish Broadcasting Service
 JBS is a Jewish television channel featuring daily news from Israel; leading Jewish figures, issues and events of Jewish importance; call-in programs; Jewish studies; 92nd Street Y; live Friday and holiday services for those at home; children's programs; films; music; books; and entertainment. Click here.

DAILY

Congregation Sons of Israel Minyanim Shacharit 6:30 a.m. Mondays and Thursdays; 6:45 a.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays; and 8:30 a.m. Sundays
 Congregation Sons of Israel welcomes all to its daily Shacharis and Mincha/Maariv services in the main sanctuary of the synagogue. Please check the synagogue website for the weekly listing of the starting time for Mincha/Maariv. If you have any questions regarding the minyan, please call the synagogue office at 610-433-6089.

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

Daily Online Meditation
 12:30 p.m., Institute for Jewish Spirituality
 One of the master teachers leads a live daily guided meditation. Join with people from around the world to share 30 minutes of Jewish mindfulness. Open to all. No experience needed. Sign up now.

Donut Sale

Tuesday, February 13, 2024
 Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church
 703 S. Delaware Drive, Mt. Bethel, PA
 Orders & information: Chrissy 610-588-0809

Northampton AARP Chapter 3915 will meet on February 14, 2024, at the Northampton Banquet and Events Center, 1601 Laubach Avenue, Northampton PA 18067. Doors will open at 11:00 a.m. All members are cordially invited to attend. We welcome new members to visit or join. Members

please bring your favorite cake, cup cakes or cookies for our refreshment table. IF WE HAVE INCLEMENT WEATHER AND THE NORTHAMPTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT IS CLOSED OR A LATE START WE WILL NOT HAVE A MEETING. Please bring your current National and local membership cards with you. Currently we will meet in the Atlas Room.

How to Create a Backyard Pollinator Habitat

WHERE: Charles Chrin Community Center
 WHEN: Saturday, February 17, from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

The Northampton County Parks and Recreation will sponsor a pollinator program at the Charles Chrin Community Center of Palmer Township from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm on Saturday, February 17. The Community Center is located at 4100 Green Pond Rd, Palmer Township, PA 18045.

Join Penn State Master Gardener Marie Bondi for this hour-long illustrated presentation on creating a backyard environment that benefits our local pollinators. Attendees will learn why native plants are so important to pollinators and how to garden for pollinators all year round. Marie is also a certified Pollinator Steward with the Pollinator Partnership.

This program is free of charge; however, registration is required. Contact Jim Wilson, Northampton County Parks Recreation Specialist, to register at 610-829-6404 or jwilson@norcopa.gov.

The VALENTINE'S DANCE at Salem

U.C.C. Church is getting CLOSE! "DESIRE" will be on stage on Saturday February 10th. Ticket are only \$25 for a FULL MEAL, Dancing and GREAT OLDIE MUSIC! All you have to do is call Vicki at (610) 360-1401 to reserve yours! Hope to see you all there... Bobby & "DESIRE"

JOEL HOFFNER,

a member of the Lehigh Valley Local Maps Consortium, will introduce the remarkable work being done by the Consortium to make available geographical and visual image documents helpful to genealogists and historians. Hoffner will focus on the first schoolhouses of Williams Township and Northampton County on Sunday, March 10, 3 pm, in the social room of St. John's Church on Morgan Hill (2720 Morgan Hill Rd., Easton).

A Lehigh Valley native, Hoffner has cataloged collections at the Northampton County Historical and Genealogical Society, National Museum of Industrial History, Moravian Archives, Moravian Historical Society and Hunter Martin Museum in Lower Mt. Bethel Township and has published books mapping the tracts of land occupied by the early Warrantees and Patentees of ten of the townships of Northampton County. The meeting is free and open to the public. Publications and the patent tract map of Williams Township by Jeff McGuire will be available for sale. A special treat will be available on the goody table this time (so the bakers can take a rest) to honor one of our founding members.

Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center Community Programs, March 2024

Fishing Equipment Available

When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm

Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth
 Borrow fly rods, spinning rods, fly boxes, 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 jacobsbursp@pa.gov.

DiscoverE Adventure Backpacks Available

When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm

Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth
 Borrow a backpack full of kid-friendly tools to explore Jacobsburg! These backpacks are best for families with young children. Each backpack includes binoculars, notepad, colored pencils, magnifying lens, bug box, dip net, and five field guides for exploring the pond, insects, birds, trees, butterflies and moths. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email jacobsbursp@pa.gov.

Family Science Night: What's in a nest?

Friday, March 8 at 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Nesting season is starting for birds in our area and no nest is the same. Learn about the different courting and nest building strategies that various types of birds use.

We'll start off the evening by try to observe the amazing courtship display of the Timberdoodle. We'll meet out front of the visitor center promptly at 6:30 so that we don't miss this fleeting dusk display that many call the "sky dance"! Once it gets dark we'll head inside to examine examples of nests before attempting to make our own. This program is best for families with children ages 5 and up.

Registration is required.

Hike for Health

Wednesday, March 13 at 5:30pm to 7:00pm
 Get moving after work with a brisk hike at Jacobsburg! These guided monthly hikes are 2 to 3 miles over uneven terrain. You must be able to maintain a hiking pace of two miles per hour to attend. Dogs are welcome to hike on a leash. Meet at the Visitor Center flagpole at 400 Belfast Road. This monthly hiking program will repeat on April 10, May 1, June 5, July 10, August 14, September 4, and October 2 at the same time and place. Registration is not required. Join the email reminder list by contacting us at 610-746-2801 or jacobsbursp@pa.gov.

Volunteer Recruitment Event

Friday, March 15 at 7:00pm to 8:30pm

After a chance to observe the mating flights of American woodcocks, we will gather in the center for some hot cocoa and learn the process of becoming a volunteer, reporting hours, and ways you can help the park.

Registration is required.

Exploring Eclipses

Saturday, March 16 at 2:00pm to 3:00pm

On Monday April 8th portions of North America will experience a total solar eclipse and Pennsylvania is lucky enough to be in the path of totality. If you are planning to view the eclipse or are interested in learning about eclipses, join us for Exploring Eclipses