

**NOTICE**  
**ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE**  
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**BY FRIDAYS NOON**

**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

**The Salvation Army Food Pantry**  
**Pen Argyl**  
 The pantry is open Tuesdays from  
 10am until noon or by appointment for  
 emergency food if needed; closed the  
 5th Tuesday of the month. Evening  
 opportunity: The third Tuesday of  
 every month pantry will be open  
 6-7pm. Contact the office at 610-  
 863-6677 with any questions Monday  
 through Friday from 9am-2pm.  
 301 Main Street, Pen Argyl PA 18072

**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.

**Mission of Love - And Hope Food**  
**Bank Outreach Center**  
 Every Friday- 10am-12pm. All are  
 invited. 5224 Milford Rd. East  
 Stroudsburg Pa. 570-702-9958

**Master Watershed Steward Program**  
**seeking new volunteers this spring**  
 Lehigh Valley, Pa - What substance  
 covers 71% of the earth? What vital  
 substance is needed by every cell in all  
 living things? What valuable resource  
 is abused, wasted, and taken for granted  
 every day? If you answered water,  
 you are right. We cannot live without  
 it. But fresh water is NOT an unlimited  
 resource. Of all the water on the earth  
 only 2.5% is fresh water. Of that, only  
 about 0.3 % is usable by humans. As  
 population increases and urbanization  
 creeps out ever farther into rural areas,  
 the need for water conservation grows.  
 Lehigh Valley residents that want to  
 learn more about the environment and  
 get involved in local efforts to protect  
 water can look to the Penn State  
 Extension Master Watershed Steward  
 Program. No previous experience is  
 necessary – just a desire to give back.  
 This program brings together univer-  
 sity educators from varied disciplines,  
 environmental professionals and local  
 conservation agencies to deliver 40  
 hours of training to a select group of  
 recruits who in turn volunteer to help  
 protect the Lehigh Valley's most impor-  
 tant valuable resource, water. Lessons  
 in topics such as water quality, stream  
 health and restoration, recreational

use, groundwater, and geology equip  
 the trainees for many projects that  
 benefit the community. Last year 65  
 volunteers spent nearly 1,300 hours  
 teaching students about stream ecol-  
 ogy, planting riparian buffers to filter  
 run-off, installing rain gardens, helping  
 municipalities meet state mandated  
 storm water runoff requirements and  
 delivering educational public work-  
 shops for homeowners on rain barrels,  
 pollinator gardens and storm water  
 management. The program launched  
 in the Lehigh Valley in 2013, and due  
 to its success, there are now Mas-  
 ter Watershed Steward programs in  
 seventeen of Pennsylvania's Counties,  
 with almost 500 volunteers. Applica-  
 tions are now being accepted for the  
 2020 Lehigh and Northampton training  
 class. We are looking for enthusiastic  
 people who want to preserve and  
 improve the quality of life we enjoy in  
 the Lehigh Valley.

The 2021 Master Watershed Steward  
 virtual training program starts Wednes-  
 day, March 3 and continues through  
 June on Wednesdays from 6:30pm  
 to 8:30 pm. The course also includes  
 three hands-on field trips to be sched-  
 uled COVID permitting. The fee for the  
 program is \$125, which helps offset the  
 costs for program materials and pro-  
 fessional guest speakers. Scholarships  
 are available for those with financial  
 hardships. Three virtual Open Houses  
 will be offered: Tuesday, December 1

- 6:00 to 7:30pm Wednesday, Decem-  
 ber 9 - 1:00 to 2:30pm Wednesday,  
 December 16 - 6:00 to 7:30pm  
 Register here: <https://extension.psu.edu/master-watershed-steward-open-house>

**Jacobsburg Environmental Educa-  
 tion Center Community Programs,  
 Spring 2021**

Intensive Art Workshop for Teens  
 Mondays & Wednesdays, April 12  
 through May 24 at 5:30-7:30pm exclud-  
 ing April 28

Learn different forms of fiber art from  
 artist in residency Mallory Zondag,  
[www.mallorymakes.com](http://www.mallorymakes.com). The pro-  
 cesses will focus on wool felting and  
 natural dyeing. Participants will take part  
 in environmental lessons, led by center  
 educators, designed to inform and  
 inspire their art. The resulting artwork  
 will be a unique cavity nest for wild birds  
 to be displayed outdoors at a public re-  
 ception. This workshop is free for teens  
 ages 13-18 and attendance is required  
 at all 12 sessions. Sessions will be held  
 outdoors and may be rescheduled in  
 response to weather and changing CO-  
 VID-19 guidelines. Updates regarding  
 COVID-19 guidelines will be provided  
 to registered participants via email.

Registration required.

Basic Boating Course

Saturday, April 17 at 9:00am to 5:00pm  
 The PA Fish & Boat Commission's PA  
 Basic Boating Course was developed to

supply boaters with practical informa-  
 tion, so they can make better informed  
 decisions on the water. Students who  
 successfully complete this course may  
 apply for a Boating Safety Education  
 Certificate issued by the Commission.  
 This course will be held indoors and will  
 only take place if there is a change in  
 the current COVID-19 guidelines. Reg-  
 istration required. Updates regarding  
 COVID-19 guidelines will be provided  
 to registered participants via email. For  
 questions call Andy Desko at 215-968-  
 3631.

Future Master Watershed Steward  
 Camp Tuesday-Friday, June 15-18 at  
 9:00am to 12:00pm

Youth ages 13-18 are invited to join  
 DCNR at Jacobsburg Environmental  
 Education Center and Penn State This  
 camp is Tuesday, June 15th, Wednes-  
 day, June 16th, Thursday, June 17th,  
 and Friday, June 18th from 9:00am  
 - 12:00pm each day. Registration  
 required.

**The Blue Mountain Community**  
**Library** is sponsoring a MR. PASTIE  
 FUNDRAISER. Tickets will be able to  
 purchase beginning March 1 through  
 April 17, 2021. The choices available  
 are: Beef with Onion, Beef without On-  
 ion, Chicken and Veggie. The price per  
 Pastie is \$6.00. Call the library at 610-  
 863-3029 to place an order. Payment  
 must be received by cash or check, and  
 tickets will be mailed to you or available  
 to pick up at the Library, 216 S. Rob-

inson Ave., Pen Argyl, PA. Each ticket  
 is good for 1 pastie (Frozen or Freshly  
 Baked). Tickets will be able to be re-  
 deemed beginning Sat., May 1 through  
 Sat., July 31, 2021 at Mr. Pastie, 10 Bell  
 Ave., Pen Argyl, PA. Visit our website  
 at [www.bmcl.org](http://www.bmcl.org) or our Facebook page  
 for more information. Please consider  
 supporting YOUR Library by participat-  
 ing in this fundraiser and helping a local  
 business as well.

**FUNDRAISERS & EVENTS:**

Mark your calendar -  
 Saturday, May 29  
 Book Nook Sale  
 June 7th - June 26th!  
 Silent Auction  
 Saturday, April 24th  
 Small Business Fair

**The East Bangor United Methodist**  
 Community Church will offer a "Fourth  
 Monday Book Study" (April through  
 July) discussing Gordon MacDonald's  
 novel, "Who Stole My Church: What to  
 Do When the Church You Love Tries  
 to Enter the 21st Century". The book  
 can be purchased through booksellers  
 such as: Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and  
 Cokesbury. Please read Chapters 1-4  
 in preparation for the first session, April  
 26th, which will be on Zoom from 7-8  
 p.m. Go to [www.ebumc.org](http://www.ebumc.org) for Zoom  
 log-in information. (Pastor Dave Goss,  
 610-588-4453)



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