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Painting by Jim Gloria

Artist's Open Studio Tour

By Michael Ortoski

STROUDSBURG – The Pocono Arts Council is pleased to present an Artist's Open Studio Tour scheduled for Saturday, April 27th and Sunday, April 28th from 11am to 5pm. This event is FREE & open to all! 13 local artists have agreed to open their studios for you to visit. Explore real working art studios, chat with the artists themselves, and purchase a piece or two if you wish.

Visit the working studios of Peter Salmon, Judy Moeller, Doug Gilbert, James Gloria, David Palmer, Alice Prall, Angela Green, Lizzy Tilley & Elizabeth Burnett, Heidi Hooper & Marcia Flammonde, Margie Cohen & Misty Bolanos.

Jim Gloria Local Bangor artist's work will be displayed at Totts Gap Arts, 1494 Totts Gap Road, Bangor, PA.

A great place to begin your tour is at the Pocono Heritage Center at 104 Mountain View Drive in Tannersville, PA. There you can learn more about the artists and see examples of their work. For more information on the artists and to download a map, visit http://poconoarts.org/programs/annual-specialevents/studio-tour/.

There is no set route, so "jump in" anywhere – it's FREE and open to all. Just pop an address into your GPS and have a great ART adventure weekend.

Emrick Announces Water Infrastructure Funding for Lehigh Valley Residents

By Representative Joe Emrick

NAZARETH - Easton Suburban Water Authority's (ESWA's) effort to improve service to its more than 30,000 customers will be aided by new funding from the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority (PENNVEST), according to state Rep. Joe Emrick (R-Nazareth).

PENNVEST is an independent authority that provides loans and grants for water, sewer and storm waste projects across Pennsylvania. It was created by the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority Act of 1988 and is funded by a number of government programs.

ESWA has been awarded a more than \$7.6 million loan to construct a new pumping station and install more than 17,000 feet of new main. The project, which also includes nine new fire hydrants, should improve efficiency and water pressure for customers.

ESWA's service area includes the Bethlehem, Forks, Lower Nazareth, Palmer and Williams townships; the boroughs of Wilson, West Easton and Glendon and the City of Easton.

Questions about this or any legislative issue should be directed to Emrick's district office at 610-588-8011 or 610-746-5090. B I N G O

April 30 Portland Fire Co Starts 7pm

May 1 Bushkill Twp Fire Co Doors 5pm Starts 7pm

May 2 Wind Gap Fire Co Doors 5pm; Starts 6:45pm April 27 Immaculate Conception Doors 11am; Starts 1pm

April 28 St. Elizabeth Church Starts 1pm

April 29 Kunkletown Fire Co Progressive Jackpot - 7pm

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> 800 S. Main Street Bangor, PA 18013 (610) 588-3590

Ackermanville United Methodist 1410 Ackermanville Road, Bangor Sun 10am Worship. Rev. Sukja Bang (610) 588-7818, www.ackermanvilleumc.org

Bangor Church of the Nazarene 150 Bunny Trail, Bangor

Sun 9:30am SS, 10:40am Worship (Children's Church to grade 2), 5pm Powerhouse Praice Practice, 6pm Teen Straight Talk & Small Groups. Kenneth L. Bean, Pastor (610) 588-6929

Belfast Bible 483 Belfast Rd., Belfast

Sunday School (all ages) 9:30am, Worship 10:45am, Evening Service 7pm. Pastor Michael Yaworski.

Belfast Wesley United Methodist 607 School St., Belfast Children's SS & Adult SS 9am, Wor-

ship 10am, coffee fellowship following worship. Pastor Paul Milligan. (610) 746-3652.

Benders Mennonite Church 975 Benders Church Rd., Pen Argyl Sun Worship service every Sunday at 10:10am; Food Bank 3rd Saturday of the month 9-11am. 610-863-9114.

Bethel Bible Church of Mt. Zion 7742 N. Delaware Dr. (Rt. 611), Martins Creek

Free Bread Every Saturday, 3eryone welcome, questions 908-483-8231; Sunday School 9am, Sunday Morning Worship 10am. Pastor Rick Tunis, 610-250-9890. Learn about us online www.bethelbiblechurchofmtzion.org.

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church 703 S. Delaward Dr. (Rt 611), Mt. Bethel (Stone Church) Every Sunday- 9am Worship, Communion offered 1st & 3rd Sundays. 610-588-7056, www.celcpa.org

Clearfield Bible Holiness Church 1502 Bushkill Ctr Rd, Wind Gap Sun- SS 10:15am, Worship 11:15am & 3pm. Pastor Donald Herrick. (812) 653-3975.

Community Baptist Weona Park Center, Pen Argyl Sun - Bible study 7pm. Separate class for age 10 & under.

Community Presbyterian 1755 S Delaware Drive, Mt. Bethel Sun. - SS 9:15am, Worship service 10:30am, Coffee hour on last sunday of every month following service. www. mtbethelpresbyterian.org, (570) 897-6766.

Cross Road Baptist Church 201 Second St., Bangor Sun- 9:15am Praise Sing, 9:30am SS, 10:45am Worship; Wed- 7pm Prayer/ Bible Study. Rev. Jay VanHorn, Pastor

(610) 588-3966, www.crossroadbaptistbangor.org

CHURCH LISTINGS

The Lady's Guild of Our Lady of Victory R.C. Church, Tannersville will hold a Chicken Cordon Blue Dinner on April 28th. We would appreciate your help in advertising this year's event without cost to the church.

The East Bangor United Methodist

Community Church Thurs., April 25 1:00 p.m. Bazaar Workshop 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Sat., April 27 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting Sun., April 28 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 9:15 a.m. Worship Service w/Children's Church 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour Pastor David Goss 610-588-4453 Dial-A-Message 610-588-3896 www.ebumc.org

Faith Alive Community Church 10 Mechanic St, Wind Gap

Tues- 6pm Ladies Prayer Meeting (2nd Tues); Wed- 6:30pm Revival Prayer, 7:15pm Adult Bible Study; Sat- 10-2pm Prayer Stop (1st Sat); Sun- 9:15am Family Fellowship, 9:30am Intercessory Prayer, 10am Worship, 10:45am Children's Church, Communion at 10:30am (1st Sun). Pastor Matthew Whistler. (610) 863-6911, www.faccpa.org

Faith United Presbyterian Penna & Heller Aves., Pen Argyl Sun.- 9am Choir, 10am Worship/ Communion/Food Bank/Church School. (610) 836-4447

Family Life Community Church 1115 Richmond Rd, Bangor Wed- Kidz Night Out at The Hub 6:30-

8pm (kids 6 thru 6th gr.); Thurs- Teen Night Out at The Hub 6:30-8pm (gr. 7-9); Sun- 10am Celebration Service. Pastor Mike Poppa. 610-588-3736, www.flccbangor.com.

First United Evangelical 25 S 2nd St., Bangor

Sun. - 7pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study; Jan 20- 9am Prayer Meeting, 9:30am Church School, 10:30am Worship. Pastor Ronald Shipman at (610) 588-3226

First United Methodist Church 55 N. Third St., Bangor

Worship every Sunday at 11am, Adult and Children Sunday Schools 9:45am, Communion first Sunday of month, Wednesday evening Bible Study 6:30pm. Pastor Chris Hardy (610) 588-4673.

First United Methodist

19 West & Water St., Wind Gap Sun.- 9am SS, 10am Worship/Communion, 11am Fellowship on 1st Sunday of each month. Pastor John Vidal (570) 426-0645

Flicksville United Church of Christ 1337 Lower South Main Street Bangor, PA 18013 Pastor Ken Hess 610-588-4648

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www.flicksvilleucc.com Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Worship at 10:45 a.m. Maundy Thursday Service at 7 p.m. Easter Sunday Service at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome

God's Missionary Church of Northampton 4965 Nor. Bath Blvd (Rt 329),

Northampton, PA Sun- SS 9:30am, Service 10:30 & 7pm, Youth Service 6:30pm; Wed-Prayer Meeting 7:30pm. Rev. Rodney Keister. (610) 262-4412. http://GMC-N.com Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2904 Church Rd, Martins Creek PA

Sunday Worship Service 9:00 am. Adult Bible Study Following Worship. Pastor Louise Williams. www.goodshepherdmc.com

Grace Lutheran Church 5907 Sullivan Trail, Nazareth Tue. - 6:30pm Choir; Jan 20- 9am Service/Communion, 10:15am SS, 10:30am Confirmation/Adult Forum. (610) 759-9080, www.gracebelfast.org

Grace United Methodist 404 Mountain Ave., Pen Argyl Sun.- 8:30am Contemporary, 10am Blended, 10am SS. Nursery care available at all services. Rev. J. Timothy Fisher. (610) 863-4811. www. worshipatgrace.org

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church 1501 Trinity Court, Stroudsburg Divine Liturgy Sundays 9:30 AM; Vespers Saturday 6:30 PM. (570) 421-4455, www.holytrinitypoconos.org.

Hopesprings Community of Faith 301 Market Street, Bangor

Sun-Services 10am. Jonathan Almanzar, Lead Pastor. 855-INFO-HOPE. www.hopespringscommunity.org.

Hope UCC

2nd & Cherry St., Wind Gap Sun- 10:30am Worship (Communion 1st Sunday of the month). All are welcome! SS every other Friday. Pastor Darlene K. Blocker. (610) 863-4474

Living Waters Christian Church 396 Sterling Rd. Unit D, Tobyhanna Thurs- 6pm Christian Edu Sun- 9:15am Christian Edu, 10:30am Worship. Rev. Dr. Jacqueline R. Walters 570-350-4710

Mt. Bethel Church A Church of the Lutheran Brethren 1270 Belvidere Cr. Rd, Mt. Bethel

Sun.- 8:30am Traditional Service including "Kids Korner" Children's Sermon, 9:50am Confirmation & SS, 11am Contemporary Service including Mt. Bethel Praise Team & "Children's Church" during the sermon. Chris Priestaf, Senior Pastor. Dan Christenson, Assoc. Pastor. Andrew Little, Youth Director.Little Friends Preschool (570) 897-7797. Visit our website www. mountbethelchurch.org or call (570) 897-7142 for information or directions.

Our Lady of Good Counsel 436 South 2nd Street, Bangor Tue. - Mass 4pm; Jan 20- Mass 8:30am. Pastor Stephen L. Maco, (610) 588-5445, www.goodcounselrcchurch.org

Portland Baptist Church

601 Delaware Ave., Portland Sun- Sunday School 9am, Service 10:30am; Wed- Bible Study 10:30 with Prayer Meeting to follow. Elevator and rampsWe are handicap accessible with automatic doors, elevator and restroom. (570) 897-6866 www.portlandbaptistchurch.com

Presbyterian Parish of Bangor-Roseto 332 Kennedy Dr., Bangor Sun.- Worship 10:30am. Rev. Albert

Martin. (610) 588-4864, email presbyte rianbr@frontiernet.net. www.facebook.com/Presbyterybr

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church 2445 Lake Minsi Dr., Bangor

Spring rummage, and bake sale May 3 Friday 9-5 may 4 9-12 sat 610-588-2355 Thurs., April 18 1:00 p.m. Bazaar Workshop 7:00 p.m. Holy Thursday service w/communion Sat., April 20 8:00 p.m. AA Meeting Sun., April 21 8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 9:15 a.m. Easter Service w/Children's Church

Richmond United Methodist Church

8538 Delaware Dr, Bangor Sun.- Service 10am; 4th Sunday Fellowship Hour; Christmas Eve Candlelight Services 4pm and 7pm. Pastor Ed Van Arsdale. (610) 588-7317

The Roseto Independent Presbyterian Church 210 Garibaldi Ave, Roseto Sunday Worship Services 9:15am Greeting/Welcoming, 9:30am Service. All Welcome. Rev. Barry Eng. (610) 599-9949, www.RIPC-OnlineToday.org.

Slate Belt - Nazareth Baptist 1620 Church Rd, Pen Argyl Sun.- 9:30am SS, 10:30am Worship & Children's Church (nursery provided), 5:30pm Bible Study. Pastor Scott J. Davis. (610) 863-9274.

St. Brigid's Episcopal Church 310 Madison Ave, Nazareth Sun- 9:45am SS, 10:45am Holy Eucharist. Rev. William Martin, 610-746-3910, www.stbrigidspa.org.

St. Elizabeth's Parish 300 West Babbitt Ave., Pen Argyl Sun.- Masses 8am, 9:30am & 11am. Rev. Msgr. Vincent P. York. 610-863-4777

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran 12 N. Westbrook, Pen Argyl Sun.- 8:45am SS, 10am Worship/Holy Communion. (610) 863-4332

St. Joseph's Episcopal 1440 Verona Dr., W. Bangor

Jan 20- Eucharist 11am; Christmas Eve Service 4pm. Rev Joel Atkinson. Coffee hour after service.

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St. Luke's U.C.C. Belfast 471 Belfast Rd., Nazareth (Belfast)

SS 9am, Worship 10:30am. Rev. Frank Gassler. 610-759-0244. www.stlukesuccbelfast.com

St. Mary's Episcopal 340 Lehigh St., Wind Gap

Sun.- service 9am. Coffee hour follows service. Rev. Joel Atkinson.

Maundy Thursday Service will be held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church Wind Gap at 5:30 P.M. Easter Morning Service will be held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church Wind Gap at 9:00 a.m.

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran 1422 Church Rd, Pen Argyl

Sun.- Bible Study 11am, Praise Band 7pm; Jan 19- Youth Choir 6pm, Adult Choir 7:30pm; Jan 20- Services 8am and 10:15am, 9am SS. (610) 863-6859

St. Vincent DePaul Catholic

Delaware Ave., Portland Sat - Mass 6pm; Jan 20- Mass 10:30am. Rev. Stephen L. Maco www.goodcounselrcchurch.org (610) 588-5445.

The Pentecostal Christian Church the Truth (Iglesia Pentecostal La Verdad)

4 Jory Ave Pen Argyl Sun.- Prayer 14- Sunday School (Escuela Dominical) 12 noon, Praise & Worrship (Cuho Evanglistico) 1pm.

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

Temple Israel of the Poconos Egalitarian Conservative Synagogue 660 Wallace Street, Stroudsburg Sabbath Services: Friday evening 7pm followed by a Traditional Oneg Shabbat. Saturday morning 9:30am followed by a traditional Kiddush. Dr. Sandra Alfonsi 570-223-7062.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran 404 Broadway, Bangor

Thur - Christian Ed 6:30pm, Choir 7:30pm; Jan 20- SS 9am, Worship/ Communion 10am. Pastor Laine. (610) 588-2023, www.tlcbangor.com.

Trinity United Church of Christ 632 S. Delaware Dr, Mt. Bethel Sun.- Adult SS 9am, Worship 10:30am. Rev. Rodney W. Wells. (610) 588-1989.

Zion Presbyterian Church Water St., Wind Gap

Sun.- Rev. Albert Martin will be speaking at the 9:30am service. Children SS during the service. Visitors welcome. (610) 863-8896.