



A green frog rests on a mossy rock.

Conservation Tip

By DNRC

In Pennsylvania, there are more than 30 species of amphibians. They eat insect pests and help control mosquitos. Their moist, permeable skin makes amphibians vulnerable to drought and toxic substances, so they are exceptional indicators of ecosystem health.

Here are some ways to be a friend to amphibians:

Limit or do not use pesticides. Pesticides kill amphibians and insects that amphibians eat.

Leave natural and artificial ground cover like dead wood in your backyard. Ground cover provides moist shelter for amphibians.

If you have a pond, plant native aquatic vegetation. It provides food, refuge, and breeding habitat for amphibians.

Don't flush medicines down the toilet. Wastewater treatment plants don't always remove pharmaceutical chemicals, which degrade water quality. Most medicines should be thrown in the trash or brought to a prescription drug take back location.

Allow grass to grow into meadows. Closely mown lawns are poor habitat for amphibians and their invertebrate prey. Allowing areas of grass to develop as meadows provides habitat for amphibians and their prey. Meadows should be cut during winter and the cuttings raked up and placed on a compost heap.

PEN ARGYL AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT RESIDENTS

The Pen Argyl Area School District is offering a property tax rebate program.

You may qualify if:

1. You have owned and occupied your home during the period for which you are claiming a rebate. Rebates are granted for your primary residence only; and
2. (a) You or your spouse (if living with you) were 65 years or older as of December 31, 2024; or
(b) You were a widow or widower during all or part of 2024 and were 50 years old or older as of December 31, 2024; or
(c) You were permanently disabled during all or part of 2024, and you were unable to work because of your medically determined physical or mental disability which is expected to continue indefinitely; and
3. Your total annual income, including the income of a spouse residing with you, was \$45,000 or less in 2024. (**IMPORTANT:** only report 50% of your Railroad Retirement benefits and 50% of Federal Social Security Act benefits); and
4. 2024/25 Pen Argyl School District Real Estate Taxes were paid in full.
5. Only one member of your household may file a claim.
6. Delinquent taxes **DO NOT QUALIFY**.

The deadline for filing an application is June 30, 2025

Applications are available at the Pen Argyl Area School District Office, or call the District Office at (610) 863-3191 option 7.



BANGOR BOROUGH 150th ANNIVERSARY HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST!

SHOW YOUR TOWN & COUNTRY PRIDE!

In celebration of 150 amazing years of Bangor, we're hosting a House Decorating Contest that honors our rich history and patriotic spirit. Decorate your home to reflect 150 years of Bangor pride, using maroon, yellow, and your best red, white, and blue!

LET'S GO ABOVE AND BEYOND TO CELEBRATE OUR TOWN AND COUNTRY!

JUDGING DATE: JUNE 11, 2025

PRIZES:

1ST PLACE: \$500 CASH

2ND PLACE: \$250 GC - ACE HARDWARE

3RD PLACE: \$150 GC - WEIS MARKET

TO ENTER:

Email your address to:

BangorFamilyDay@yahoo.com

by June 7, 2025

Fly your flags, light up your porches, and celebrate like it's 1875 - Bangor style!



LET'S GO ABOVE AND BEYOND TO CELEBRATE OUR TOWN



BANGOR 150TH YEAR CELEBRATION PARADE
BANGOR THROUGH THE YEARS
SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025 AT 2:00 P.M.



PARADE PARTICIPANTS

The parade route will start on Lower South Main Street near Pennico Park and continue up South Main Street onto Broadway and end at Fourth Street and Broadway. Line ups start at 1:00 P.M. There will be parade volunteers to assist with line ups.

You will be notified two days before the parade to inform you what division you have been assigned and who is in front and in back of your group, float, individuals or band.

In-person registration is at **Bray's Newstand**, 36 Broadway, Bangor or **Miller's Paint Store**, 100 Erdman Avenue, Bangor. For online registration go to bangorborough.org and click on **150th Anniversary Celebration**.

The deadline for registration is on Thursday, May 29th at 4:00 P.M. Registration is free. No late registrations please. There will also be no candy throwing.

Division line ups are as follows:

- Division 1 will line up at the PCI parking lot.
- Division 2 at BioSpectra parking lot near the viaduct.
- Division 3 on South Main Street in front of the Bangor Borough garage.

For participants registering online, please make a sign measuring 6"x 8" with your assigned parade number. The judges will be seated in front of Jones monument on South Main Street, so please place your sign on the right side of your float or group.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 484-375-9824.

Thank you.

Keith Heard
Parade Co-Chairman