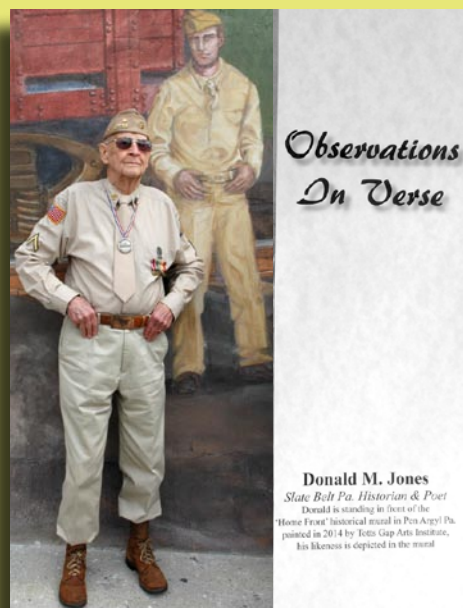


A Poem from the Archives of Donald Jones

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Donald M. Jones
Slate Belt Pa. Historian & Poet
Donald is standing in front of the
"Home Front" historical mural in Pen Argyl Pa.
painted in 2014 by Totts Gap Arts Institute.
His likeness is depicted in the mural.

Memorial Day,

Celebrating of Memorial Day, our national holiday to remember and pay tribute to the countless thousands of men and women who fought and died for something they strongly believed in; our country will be free. To this end young, dedicated folks answered the call when tyranny raised its ugly head.

They fought with out fear knowing their cause was right. Several years ago I visited several of the united states military cemeteries in France and Belgium and stood on grassy lawns patterned with thousands and thousands white crosses of those fought and gave their all for freedom.

I stood in the rows and openly cried, my heart felt thanks to those who their lives. In Europe alone there are more than 200,00 of our young people lying under white crosses. Someone asked me, how do you feel being there among those crosses.

For me I don't have the proper words, tears ad thoughts say it all, and it's a memory that will never leave you.

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Left Lamont McClure County Executive hands out food at Blue Valley Farm Show Complex.

Right Tina Smith from the County opens one of over 180 cases of food to give away

Bottom The 'County Crew' who spent hours feeding residents of Northampton County.



Operation BBQ Meal Distribution

By Beckey Bartlett

BANGOR - Lamont McClure and the Northampton County Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED), in collaboration with Lehigh Valley Food Policy Council, distributed Operation BBQ relief meal boxes to residents of Northampton County on Thursday, at the Blue Valley Farm Show complex in Bangor.

McClure and some of his staff handed out boxed food thru the window of each car that showed up.

The meals boxes were first come, first served and were distributed from a refrigerated truck. Each person received a pan of food, which fed four people. There was no charge and no personal information was needed to participate.

Some of the leftover food was given to Mission Of Love Food Bank which they delivered to Bangor Sr. Center, Luthern Sr. Center, Imaculet Conception School and East Bangor Methodist Church.

Upcoming additional sites are scheduled around the County in the next few weeks.

Thursday, June 4, 2020 from 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM at Gerald C. Yob Community Park, 400 Cambria Street, Freemansburg, PA.

Thursday, June 4, 2020 from 3:15 PM – 4:15 PM at Dimmick Park, 570 Durham Street, Hellertown, PA at the long driveway by the flag pole.

Thursday, June 11, 2020 from 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM in the Northampton Recreation Center parking lot, 1 Lerchenmiller Drive, Northampton PA.

Thursday, June 11, 2020 from 3:15PM to 4:15 PM in Nazareth, PA. Site to be determined.



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