

DCNR Announces Completion of Pecks Pond Dam Restoration

Harrisburg, PA -- Today, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) Secretary Cindy Adams Dunn announced completion of a major dam restoration project and other improvements at Pecks Pond, a highly popular waterway in Pike County.

"Refilling actually began early last month and recently water began flowing over the replaced and enlarged spillway. It's now up to nature and, hopefully abundant rainfall, to restore the pond to former levels," Dunn said. "We realize it's been a long wait for the many Pecks Pond supporters but this project ensures a safer dam and healthier waterway for the future."

The secretary noted the Bureau of Forestry also is initiating an ambitious aquatic weed control effort in which herbicide applications will occur within a 100-acre weed management area with the goal of providing more open and weed-free water for recreational use. A multi-faceted lake management plan is underway, with the bureau and Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission concentrating on improving lake quality and re-establishing fishing potential.

The bureau is working with the commission to repopulate the 408-acre lake with largemouth bass and other fish species that have drawn anglers to Pecks Pond for generations. Other species to be released include baitfish, crappie, yellow perch and bluegill or pumpkinseed.

During this five-year repopulation effort, only catch-and-release fishing will be permitted.

Undertaken and overseen by the state Department of General Services, the \$4.6 million Pecks Pond project began in September 2016. Complete drawdown was necessary to permit the most economical dam reconstruction methods; ensure safety of workers; and help address aquatic vegetation issues within the lake, which serves as a popular visitor attraction within Delaware State Forest.

Built in 1906 for recreational use by the then-Pa. State Forest Commission, the former dam was 170 feet long and constructed of earth, concrete and stone masonry.

Pecks Pond is fed by springs, Tarkill and Maple creeks, and unnamed tributaries, many of which host wild brook trout populations. Along its eastern shore, a glacial lake bog -- among the largest in Pennsylvania -- covers about 40 acres. Plants of note found there include carnivorous species, including pitcher plants, sundews and bladderworts. Pecks Pond also draws the petite emerald, a Pennsylvania rare damselfly.

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 332 Kennedy Dr., Bangor
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 Mt Bethel, PA 18343
 610-588-7056
 The Rev. Larry Laine
 Worship at 9 AM
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 Sun- SS 10:15am, Worship 11:15am &
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 Sun- 9:15am Praise Sing, 9:30am SS,
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 sory Prayer, 10am Worship, 10:45am
 Children's Church, Communion at
 10:30am (1st Sun). Pastor Matthew
 Whistler. (610) 863-6911,
www.faccpa.org

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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.
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 Pastor Mike Poppa. 610-588-3736,
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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 Wor-
 ship. 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
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19 West & Water St., Wind Gap
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 nion, 11am Fellowship on 1st Sunday
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Flicksville United Church of Christ

1337 Lower South Main Street
 Bangor, PA 18013
 Pastor Ken Hess
 610-588-4648
www.flicksvilleucc.com
 Sunday School at 9:30 AM
 Worship at 10:45 AM
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God's Missionary Church
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Northampton, PA
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 Youth Service 6:30pm; Wed- Prayer
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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. Rev. J. Timothy
 Fisher. (610) 863-4811. [www.wor-
 shipatgrace.org](http://www.wor-

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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 Alman-
 zar, Lead Pastor. 855-INFO-HOPE.
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Hope UCC
2nd & Cherry St., Wind Gap
 Sun- 10:30am Worship (Communion
 1st Sunday of the month). All are wel-
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 Pastor Emily B. Hall. (610) 863-4474

Living Waters Christian Church
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 436 South 2nd Street
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 Rectory (610) 588-5445

Parish Website: [www.ourladystvint-
 cent.com](http://www.ourladystvint-cent.com) Mass Schedule
 Weekdays 8AM excluding Thursdays
 (See Church Website)
 Saturday 4 PM Sunday 8:30 AM
 Holy Days (See Church Website)
 Saturday Confessions 3:25-3:45 PM

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Richmond United Methodist Church
8538 Delaware Dr, Bangor
 Palm Sunday, worship at 10:00 am.
 Maundy Thursday, Soup at 6:00 pm
 and Worship at 7:00 pm. Good Friday
 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm for Personal
 Meditation, Devotion and Prayer
 Easter Sunrise Service at 7:00 am
 (followed by breakfast) Easter Tra-
 ditional Worship 10:00 am Rev. Ed Van
 Arsdale 610-588-7317

Slate Belt Church
1620 Church Rd, Pen Argyl
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www.slatebeltchurch.com
 Sun.- 9:30am SS, 10:30am Worship &
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 610-863-9274

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 Delete Sunday school Holy Eucharist @
 9:30 a.m. St. Brigid's Episcopal Church
 310 Madison Avenue Nazareth, PA 18064
 Phone: 610-746-3910 Fax: 610-746-4515

St. Elizabeth's Parish
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 Sun.- Masses 8am, 9:30am & 11am. Rev.
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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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471 Belfast Rd., Nazareth (Belfast)
 SS 9am, Worship 10:30am. Rev. Cecelia
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 610-759-0244.
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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 Ser-
 vice 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
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 Sunday Worship/Communion
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www.stpetersplainfield.com

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 720 Delaware Avenue
 Portland, PA 18351
 Rectory (610) 588-5445
 Mass Schedule Weekdays (at OLGC)
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Trinity United Church of Christ
 632 S Delaware Dr. Mt Bethel Pa
 18343 Sunday Worship 10:30 am
 SS and Confirmation 9:00 am
 Rev. Rodney Wells pastor

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.

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Water St., Wind Gap
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