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## The Slate Belt Heritage Center and Museum

By Karen Brewer

BANGOR - The Slate Belt Heritage Center and Museum will hold thri monthly istoric program on Thursday, September 11th @ 7:00PM. Speaker for the evening will be Mr. Larry Cory who will do a presentation on the former Flory's Dam (this was postponed due to inclement weather from February).

Once located on North Main Street, Flory's Dam was a popular place for winter sports like ice skating and hockey. During the first haf of the century, it was also the site of the very first Bangor Park where football, baseball and softball were played, in addition to swimming and fishing. Come and hear about the famous "Ice Bowl Football Game" played by Bangor & Pen Argyl and other interesting stories. Flory's Dam is named after Bangor Industrialist, Solomon Flory. The event is free and open to the public.

The Museum Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA. For additional information please contct: karen Brewer at: 484-894-5661

### **2025 NOMINATIONS**

BUSINESSPERSON OF THE YEAR VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR



#### DESCRIPTION

Businessperson of the Year

- Slate Belt businessperson deserving of a nomination due to exceptional service
- Business owner that gives back to their employees and/or the community.

Volunteer of the Year

- Deserving individual that consistently volunteers in the Slate Belt.
- Organizer of a local non-profit that provides a service to the community

#### NOMINATION DIRECTIONS

#### DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 20TH

Provide the following information:

- Nominee Name
- Business/Organization Name
- Reason for Nomination (Please provide a detailed description)
- Nominating Person's Name/Phone/Email Address

#### Submit Nomination to the Slate Belt Chamber by September 20th

- Email: info@slatebeltchamber.org
- Mail: 187 Blue Valley Drive, Bangor, PA 18013
- Submit Online Form: www.slatebeltchamber.org

#### SLATE BELT AWARDS DINNER - NOVEMBER 5TH

- Award winners will be selected by the SBCC Committee and announced in early October.
- The awards dinner will be held at Allegheny Creek Brewing Company 11/5 at 6pm.

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## **August is National Fishing Month**

By Senator Lisa Boscola

Fishing has been an important activity for humans for over 40,000 years. People have fished for survival and the survival of their families throughout history. National Fishing Month is observed annually during the month of August and is held to encourage people to fish, regardless of whether they have experience fishing or not. Fishing is an activity that people of all ages can enjoy and one that's relatively relaxing.

### **Got Trout?**



By Senator Lisa Boscola

Best Pennsylvania Trout Fishing Spots

EXPLORE PAWATERS

TroutPennsylvania's wild trout streams and lakes are filled to the gills with trout!

Along with the wild trout that populate PA's streams and lakes, the Fish and Boat Commission are releasing 3.2 million adult rainbow, brook, brown, and golden rainbow trout into 695 streams and 128 lakes throughout PA. There will be plenty of chances to land "the big one" through the Keystone Select Stocked Trout Waters program where about 10,000 large trout, 2- to 3-years old and

measuring between 14 to 20 inches will be released in select streams. Check out the 11 Best Fishing Spots for Trout in PA HERE – Bethlehem's very own Monocacy Creek is on the list!

# **Attention Boaters and Paddlers Explore PA Waters**

By Senator Lisa Boscola

Summertime boating conditions can change quickly. Consult weather fore-

casts and check water conditions before getting underway and AL-WAYS wear a life jacket.

Wear your life jacket and make it a healthy habit. Shop around for a style that fits you. While some people prefer a traditional life jacket that zips up or snaps in the front and offers instant buoyancy, some find them bulky, hot and restrictive. Look for a life jacket that features added ventilation. Or choose an inflatable style that fits over your shoulders but doesn't restrict arm movement.

Purchase inflatable life jackets that are United States Coast Guard approved for this activity.

Unfortunately, people lose their lives every year while boating in Pennsylvania. About 80% of victims were not wearing a life jacket. Keep pushing yourself, your kids and your friends to put safety first on the water, so you can focus on having fun.



Contact the Chamber with any questions 610-588-1000