

NARCAN Distribution

By Brittney Waylen

EASTON - On International Overdose Awareness Day, the Northampton County Drug and Alcohol Division will hold a free NARCAN distribution drive-thru event. The event, on Thursday, August 31, from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM at the Northampton County Department of Human Services Building, is part of Northampton County's Fake is Real campaign.

"Counties are on the frontline of the opioid epidemic," says Executive Lamont McClure. "It's important that the County of Northampton makes resources available to help everyone impacted."

The Fake is Real campaign aims to educate families, specifically young adults in the 18-35 age group, about the dangers of buying counterfeit prescription pills that may contain fentanyl. The campaign is funded from proceeds secured from litigation against opioid manufacturers. This funding from the settlement gives the County the opportunity to strengthen our response to the ongoing epidemic, raise awareness to prevent addiction and offer services to treat addiction. The NARCAN is provided at no cost through the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

You can learn more about our campaign by visiting FakelsReal.org. The event is free and open to the public.



The Allentown Rescue Mission's July Employee of the Month

By Stefanie Appel



ALLENTOWN – The Allentown Rescue Mission's Clean Team Workforce announces its Employee of the Month for July, Steve Z. Steve needed help and a place to stay after his mother asked him to leave the family home because of motivational issues. Steve graduated from high school but was not looking for a job or making any plans for

his future. His mom became frustrated and gave him the address of the Allentown Rescue Mission.

After arriving at the Emergency Shelter, Steve joined the eight-week Transformation Program. Initially, he was reserved and quiet, but after a few weeks, he was able to open up and engage with others. He enjoyed the classes, learned many new things about life and God, and made friends. Steve graduated from the Transformation Program in March of this year and has been working at a manufacturing facility on assignment with the Clean Team Workforce. He is a young man and didn't have prior work experience, but he has learned quickly and is now running the painting operation at the facility. Steve has come a long way since entering the Emergency Shelter.

While at the Allentown Rescue Mission, he obtained his driver's permit and then went on to get his driver's license. He is working full-time and saving money for when he leaves the Mission. He is even planning on starting welding classes this fall semester while continuing to work full-time. Steve is showing great motivation and his future is looking bright. The Allentown Rescue Mission congratulates Steve for all of his achievements and his willingness to work hard and utilize the programs and scholarships the Mission has to offer its clients.

DCNR Provides Guidance on Swimming at State Parks as Labor Day Approaches

By DCNR

MARSHALLS CREEK - Pennsylvania state park swimming pools and beaches will remain open through Labor Day, and prospective visitors are encouraged to check park websites prior to visiting parks for the latest information about operations.

"Swimming is a great way to cool off and enjoy some summer fun, and many of our state parks offer swimming for our visitors," State Parks Director John Hallas said. "We welcome all visitors and encourage everyone looking to swim to plan ahead and check park websites for the latest updates on swimming hours, park capacity, and pool or lake closures."

Fifteen state parks have pools for the public to enjoy through Labor Day weekend. As a result of operational issues ranging from lifeguard shortages to Department of Health testing compliance, swimming schedules may vary.

Beaches at state parks are open and free to the public for swimming from before Memorial Day to after Labor Day, unless otherwise posted.



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