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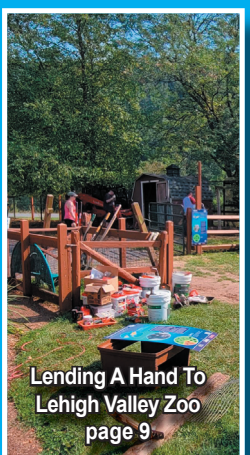


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## Tropical Storm Ida Slams The North East

By Michael Ortoski  
 SLATE BELT - Tropical Storm Ida which passed through the region last week, created flooding conditions resulting in multiple water rescues, road closures, trees/wires down and power outages throughout Northampton County. EMS monitored water levels in the Lehigh and Delaware Rivers; some areas reached Action Stage or Minor Flood stage.

The Lehigh river crested at 13.19 ft in Walnutport and at 19.3 ft in Bethlehem, reaching Minor Flood Stage. The Lehigh River crested at 24.17 ft in Glendon at Major Flood Stage.

The Delaware river in Belvidere, reached Action Stage. Easton was at Minor Flood Stage (22.06 ft) and crest at 28.5 ft. (Major flood stage is 30 ft).

The new dam at Minsi Lake 'worked excelent' according to a dam watcher from Pa. Fish & Boat. The dam stayed in the 'White Zone' through out the entire event. There is a water level painted



Flood sightseers on the pedestrian bridge in Portland that spans the Del. River from Pa. to N.J.

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## 86th Pen Argyl Labor Day Celebration

By Michael Ortoski  
 PEN ARGYL - WEONA park in Pen Argyl was the center of attention for the four day Labor Day celebration this past weekend, celebrating 86 years and hosted by Look Out Fire Co. Great weather brought big numbers from the community all four days espically the parade.

The last event of the celebration is the 'Big Parade.' Its the largest labor day parade in the Slate Belt attended by many local Fire Companies and as far away as N.J. and Coplay.

The Grand Marshal this year was former state rep. Marcia Hahn who rode in a bright orange jeep supplied by Dotta Chrysler Jeep. There was close to 100 entries that took over 2 hours to pass by the streets full of parade watchers.

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