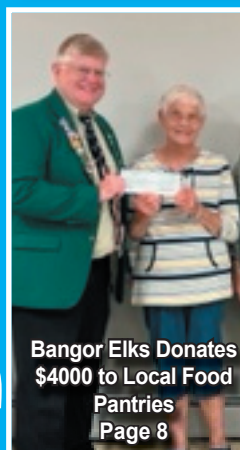




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## Major Fire on Broadway In Bangor

By Michael Ortoski

BANGOR, Pa. – Fire crews spent hours fighting a big fire in Bangor, Northampton County, last week. Several families are displaced after an apartment building went up in flames around 12:45 p.m.

Gusts of smoke filled the street on Broadway, as multiple fire companies tackled the blaze.

"I just heard this loud explosion," said one of the witnesses before her and neighbors were darting out and saying there was a fire.

The Bangor Police Department says everyone got out OK, and there were no injuries. Officers say the building has about five apartments, and the neighboring community center called "The Hub" was in flames, too.

The building has stores underneath and

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## Monarchs Flutter to Grand Central's Pollinator Garden Before Long Flight to Mexico

By Adrienne Fors / Sr. Community Relations Specialist

Pen Argyl, Pa., September 14, 2023 – Grand Central Landfill's wildlife habitat team and community partner Doug Burton shared excitement for butterflies as they explained the importance of tagging Monarch Butterflies, *Danaus plexippus*, on September 13, at the WM Grand Central Environmental Education Center.

Grand Central's longtime friend and environmental education partner Doug Burton has been a butterfly enthusiast since grade school when he participated in 4-H club.

"I have always liked butterflies with the Monarch's being extra special to me," said Burton.

Doug volunteers with DCNR's Jacobsburg State Park regularly, hosting educational programs on butterflies as well as providing support on their tagging events.

"We coordinated several tagging events this month at Jacobsburg; all of the programs were booked within hours of the event being posted." Stated Burton. "There is definitely an increased interest in helping the monarch populations."

Research states that Monarch populations have declined nearly 85% over the last two decades. A reason for this decline includes the loss of habitat and nectar

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Right Jessica and Vincent Labate learn from Doug Burton how to band a monarch



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