



Franklin Anderson recognized for his 40 years of service with the North Bangor Fire Company



Jimmy Potter, Jr. and Jeffrey Brodt, Firefighters of the Year for the Upper Mount Bethel Volunteer Fire Department and North Bangor Fire Company

Recognition of Local Fire Fighters

By Rep. Joe Emrick

SLATE BELT - This past weekend I had the pleasure of presenting Franklin Anderson a House citation recognizing his 40 years of service with the North Bangor Fire Company. A true hero, I thank Franklin for his decades of service to the community! Joining us in the photograph above is Brian Fenstermacher with Senator Mario Scavello's office, issuing a Senate citation as well.

We also presented citations to Jimmy Potter, Jr. and Jeffrey Brodt, Firefighters of the Year for the Upper Mount Bethel Volunteer Fire Department and North Bangor Fire Company, respectively. Congratulations, gentlemen! Thank you for all that you do to protect us and our neighbors.

Wolf Administration Reminds High School Students to Enter "Innovations Challenge"

By Jan Huzvar

Harrisburg, PA – With the December 20 entry deadline rapidly approaching, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) remind students in grades 9-12 to participate in the third PennDOT Innovations Challenge. The Innovations Challenge encourages students to use their problem-solving, creative and strategic-thinking abilities to solve real-world transportation challenges in a competition among their peers.

This year's Innovations Challenge asks students to look at cost-effective technologies and innovative solutions - aside from laws, programs and educational campaigns - that can be developed in the next five to 10 years to help PennDOT more efficiently, effectively and safely control litter along roadways.

Last year, PennDOT spent nearly \$13 million cleaning up roadside litter across Pennsylvania. In addition, nearly 5,000 volunteers spend countless hours participating in the Adopt-A-Highway program each year. These dollars and volunteer hours could have otherwise been spent on delivering a better transportation network and making Pennsylvania a better state in which to live.

The Innovations Challenge aims to not only help students explore real transportation challenges that PennDOT is facing, but also open their minds to the very real possibility of working for PennDOT after graduation.

Regional Innovations Challenge winners will be selected and invited to compete in Harrisburg for the state championship. This year, the Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA) and the Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful (KPB) organization are providing a combined total award of \$3,000 to be divided among the first, second and third place statewide winning teams.

For complete Innovations Challenge details, visit www.penndot.gov/innovation. The deadline for submissions is December 20, 2019.



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10:45am Worship; Wed- 7pm Prayer/Bible Study. Rev. Jay VanHorn, Pastor (610) 588-3966, www.crossroadbaptistbangor.org

The Lady's Guild of Our Lady of Victory R.C. Church, Tannersville will hold a Chicken Cordon Blue Dinner on April 28th. We would appreciate your help in advertising this year's event without cost to the church.

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church

Wed., Nov. 20
-10 a.m.-3:00 p.m. "White Elephant" Sale Thurs., Nov. 21
-10 a.m.-3:00 p.m. "White Elephant" Sale -6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Fri., Nov. 22 -9:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Christmas Bazaar Sat., Nov. 23 -9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Christmas Bazaar -8:00 p.m. AA Meeting Sun., Nov. 24 -8:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal -9:15 a.m. Worship Service w/ Children's Church -10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour Tues., Nov. 26 -7:00 p.m. Bible Study Pastor Dave Goss (610) 588-4453 Dial-A-Message (610) 588-3896 www.ebumc.org

Faith Alive Community Church 10 Mechanic St, Wind Gap

Tues- 6pm Ladies Prayer Meeting (2nd Tues); Wed- 6:30pm Revival Prayer, 7:15pm Adult Bible Study; Sat- 10-2pm Prayer Stop (1st Sat); Sun- 9:15am Family Fellowship, 9:30am Intercessory Prayer, 10am Worship, 10:45am Children's Church, Communion at 10:30am (1st Sun). Pastor Matthew Whistler. (610) 863-6911, www.faccpa.org

Faith United Presbyterian Penna & Heller Aves., Pen Argyl

Sun.- 9am Choir, 10am Worship/Communion/Food Bank/Church School. (610) 836-4447

Family Life Community Church 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. 7-9); Sun- 10am Celebration Service. Pastor Mike Poppa. 610-588-3736, www.flccbangor.com.

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 Worship. 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 (610) 588-4673.

First United Methodist 19 West & Water St., Wind Gap

Sun.- 9am SS, 10am Worship/Commu-

nion, 11am Fellowship on 1st Sunday of each month. Pastor John Vidal (570) 426-0645

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
All are welcome!

God's Missionary Church of Northampton

4965 Nor. Bath Blvd (Rt 329), Northampton, PA
Sun- SS 9:30am, Service 10:30 & 7pm, Youth Service 6:30pm; Wed- Prayer Meeting 7:30pm. Rev. Rodney Keister. (610) 262-4412. <http://GMC-N.com>

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.worshipat-grace.org

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 Almanzar, Lead Pastor. 855-INFO-HOPE. www.hopespringscommunity.org.

Hope UCC

2nd & Cherry St., Wind Gap
Sun- 10:30am Worship (Communion 1st Sunday of the month). All are welcome! SS every other Friday. Pastor Emily B. Hall. (610) 863-4474

Living Waters Christian Church 396 Sterling Rd. Unit D, Tobyhanna

Thurs- 6pm Christian Edu Sun- 9:15am Christian Edu, 10:30am Worship. Rev. Dr. Jacqueline R. Walters 570-350-4710

Mt. Bethel Church A Church of the Lutheran Brethren 1270 Belvidere Cr. Rd, Mt. Bethel

Sun.- 8:30am Traditional Service , 11am Contemporary Service Visit our website www.mountbethelchurch.org or call (570) 897-7142 for info.

Our Lady of Good Counsel

436 South 2nd Street Bangor, PA 18013
Rectory (610) 588-5445
Parish Website: www.ourladystvincent.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

Our Lady of Victory R.C. Church,

Tannersville, PA will hold a Free Community Dinner on Sunday, July 21st from 3pm to 4pm. They would appreciate your assistance in advertising this dinner without cost to the Church.

Portland Baptist Church

601 Delaware Ave., Portland
Sun- Sunday School 9am, Service 10:30am; Wed- Bible Study 10:30 with Prayer Meeting to follow. Elevator and rampsWe are handicap accessible with automatic doors, elevator and restroom. (570) 897-6866
www.portlandbaptistchurch.com

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church 2445 Lake Minsi Dr., Bangor

Saturday Worship: 1st & 3rd 5:30 pm. Sunday School starts at 8:30am (September-May)
Sunday Service- 9:45am
Holy Communion is served weekly. All are welcome!

Presbyterian Parish of Bangor-Roseto

332 Kennedy Dr., Bangor
Sun.- Worship 10:30am. Rev. Albert Martin. (610) 588-4864, email presbyteryanbr@frontiernet.net. www.facebook.com/Presbyterybr

Richmond United Methodist Church 8538 Delaware Dr, Bangor

Sun.- Service 10am; 4th Sunday Fellowship Hour; Christmas Eve Candlelight Services 4pm and 7pm. Pastor Ed Van Arsdale. (610) 588-7317

The Roseto Independent Presbyterian Church

210 Garibaldi Ave, Roseto
Sunday Worship Services 9:15am Greeting/Welcoming, 9:30am Service. All Welcome. Rev. Barry Eng. (610) 599-9949, www.RIPC-OnlineToday.org.

Slate Belt - Nazareth Baptist 1620 Church Rd, Pen Argyl

Sun.- 9:30am SS, 10:30am Worship & Children's Church (nursery provided), 5:30pm Bible Study. Pastor Scott J. Davis. (570) 664-4603.

St. Brigid's Episcopal Church, Nazareth.

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 300 West Babbitt Ave., Pen Argyl

Sun.- Masses 8am, 9:30am & 11am.

Rev. Msgr. Vincent P. York.

610-863-4777

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.

St. Luke's U.C.C. Belfast 471 Belfast Rd., Nazareth (Belfast)

SS 9am, Worship 10:30am. Rev. Frank Gassler. 610-759-0244. www.stlukesuccbelfast.com

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 Service 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

Sun.- Bible Study 11am, Praise Band 7pm; Jan 19- Youth Choir 6pm, Adult Choir 7:30pm; Jan 20- Services 8am and 10:15am, 9am SS. (610) 863-6859

St. Vincent dePaul

720 Delaware Avenue
Portland, PA 18351
Rectory (610) 588-5445
Mass Schedule Weekdays (at OLGCC) Saturday 6 PM Sunday 10:30 AM
Holy Days (See Church Website)
Saturday Confessions 5:40-5:50 PM

The Pentecostal Christian Church the Truth

(Iglesia Pentecostal La Verdad) 4 Jory Ave Pen Argyl

Sun.- Prayer 14- Sunday School (Escuela Dominical) 12 noon, Praise & Worrship (Cuho Evangelistico) 1pm.

Temple Israel of the Pconos Egalitarian Conservative Synagogue 660 Wallace Street, Stroudsburg

Sabbath Services: Friday evening 7pm followed by a Traditional Oneg Shabbat. Saturday morning 9:30am followed by a traditional Kiddush. Dr. Sandra Alfonsi 570-223-7062.

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.

Zion Presbyterian Church Water St., Wind Gap

Sun.- Rev. Albert Martin will be speak-

Ackermanville United Methodist 1410 Ackermanville Road, Bangor
Sun 10am Worship. Rev. Sukja Bang (610) 588-7818, www.ackermanvilleumc.org

Bangor Church of the Nazarene 150 Bunny Trail, Bangor

Sun 9:30am SS, 10:40am Worship (Children's Church to grade 2), 5pm Powerhouse Praise Practice, 6pm Teen Straight Talk & Small Groups. Kenneth L. Bean, Pastor (610) 588-6929

Belfast Bible

483 Belfast Rd., Belfast
Sunday School (all ages) 9:30am, Worship 10:45am, Evening Service 7pm. Pastor Michael Yaworski.

Belfast Wesley United Methodist 607 School St., Belfast

Children's SS & Adult SS 9am, Worship 10am, coffee fellowship following worship. Pastor Paul Milligan. (610) 746-3652.

Benders Mennonite Church 975 Benders Church Rd., Pen Argyl

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Christ Ev. Lutheran Church 703 South Delaware Drive

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The Rev. Larry Laine
Worship at 9 AM
Sunday School 10 AM

Clearfield Bible Holiness Church 1502 Bushkill Ctr Rd, Wind Gap

Sun- SS 10:15am, Worship 11:15am & 3pm. Pastor Donald Herrick. (812) 653-3975.

Community Baptist

Weona Park Center, Pen Argyl
Sun - Bible study 7pm. Separate class for age 10 & under.

Community Presbyterian

1755 S Delaware Drive, Mt. Bethel
Sun. - SS 9:15am, Worship service 10:30am, Coffee hour on last sunday of every month following service. www.mtbethelpresbyterian.org, (570) 897-6766.

Cross Road Baptist Church 201 Second St., Bangor

Sun- 9:15am Praise Sing, 9:30am SS,