

**NOTICE**  
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**Mission of Love Food Bank**  
 Every Tuesday- Food Bank Program 555 North Main St., Bangor, 10am-12pm. All are invited Bilingual Services. Pastor Frank Pons. (570) 807-7794

**Explore Warren County Tourism at: ExploreWarren.org**  
 Located at 165 County Route 519 South - Belvidere, NJ 07823 908-475-6580 / 800-554-8540

**Portland Upper Mt. Bethel Food Bank**  
 Located at 111 State St. Portland Pa. and until further notice the PUMP will be open every Monday as normal, AM AND PM: 10 to 11:30 am & 6:00 to 7:30 pm but will deliver food to your car as your number is called in the parking lot. No one but workers will be allowed to go inside. There will be no access to restrooms. Your cooperation during this difficult time is greatly appreciated.

**New Editions At The BMCL**  
 New Items:  
 Adult Fiction:  
 The Cookbook Club, Beth Harbison  
 The Social Graces, Renee Rosen  
 Hadley & Grace, Suzanne Redfearn  
 No One Ever Asked, Katie Ganshert  
 The Good Sister, Sally Hepworth  
 Win, Harlan Coben  
 The Lost Manuscript, Cathy Bonidan  
 The Memory Keeper, Jenny Hale  
 The President's Daughter, Bill Clinton  
 Adult Large Print:  
 No Way Out, Fern Michaels  
 The Path to Sunshine Cove, RaeAnne Thayne  
 Family Reunion, Nancy Thayer  
 A Gambling Man, David Baldacci  
 Legacy, Nora Roberts  
 Non-Fiction:  
 The Hill We Climb, Amanda Gorman

**COVID-19 Drive-through vaccination and testing center**  
 Lamont McClure and Lehigh Valley Hospital-Coordinated Health Allentown Hospital (LVH-CHA) remind Northampton County residents that the drive-through center at 3100 Emrick Blvd. in Bethlehem Township offers both testing for COVID-19 and vaccinations. Hours of operation are Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 10:00AM – 2:00PM and Tuesday/Thursday from 2:00PM – 6:00PM. Vaccinations are by appointment only and are only available for Northampton County residents ages twelve and over. Patients can choose from all three available vaccines: Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson. Pfizer and Moderna require two shots administered three weeks apart, Johnson and Johnson requires only one dose. "Recent infection data shows the pandemic isn't over yet," says Lamont McClure. "I encourage everyone to get vaccinated and, if you begin showing symptoms, to get tested for COVID-19. Vaccines and testing offer us the best chance of decreasing the risks from

this virus." To make an appointment for a vaccine at the COVID-19 testing site use one of the following options:  
 Schedule at the LVHN website at LVHN.org/appointments.  
 Schedule on the MyLVHN patient portal, at MyLVHN.org.  
 Call 833-584-6283 (833-LVHN-CVD).  
 The COVID-19 Vaccine Hotline is open Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
 A Physician's order is not required for a COVID-19 test. The drive-through site is open to everyone, but only residents of Northampton County will have the cost of testing covered by the County if they do not have health coverage. All testing will be through HNL Lab Medicine unless insurance requires an alternate laboratory. Participants should bring a photo ID and their insurance card, if they have one, with them to the testing site.

**Downtown Bethlehem's popular Christmas City Village** is back for 2021 – starting today.  
 The festively decorated village is open Thursdays through Sundays from November 11 through December 26. Thursday-Saturday hours are 11am-8pm. Sunday hours are 11am-5pm. Visitors can shop charming booths from local artisans and vendors outside of the Central Moravian Church, the 1750 Smithy and the Hotel Bethlehem Conference Center.  
 The village is an important tradition for downtown Bethlehem businesses who are still trying to make up for pandemic-related sales losses.

**Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center Programs, Dec. 2021**  
 Snowshoes and Hiking Poles Available  
 When: Monday thru Friday, 8:15 AM-3:30 PM  
 Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth  
 Borrow snowshoe equipment to use on Jacobsburg's trails this winter! Snowshoes are available for folks of any age or shoe size, including small children. Snowshoes will not be made available during times of insufficient snow cover, at least six inches of snow is required. To borrow equipment, you must provide a driver's license or other form of state issued identification. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email jacobsburgsp@pa.gov. You can check our website for current winter conditions and snow depth: <https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/WinterReport/Pages/default.aspx>

**American Legion Riders Monthly Meeting**  
 The American Legion Riders Monthly Meeting is Sunday, January 9 at 10:30 AM at The American Legion Post 927, 646 Fairgrounds Road/Route 209, Gilbert PA.  
 American Legion Riders chapters are well known for their charitable work, which has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for local children's hospitals, schools, veterans homes,

severely wounded servicemembers and scholarships. The American Legion is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization aimed at advocating patriotism across the U.S. through diverse programs and member benefits. For more information, visit [www.ampost927.org](http://www.ampost927.org). Visit American Legion Riders Post 927 on Facebook. Call President Everett 'Skippy' Shaver at 570-977-8208 or everett.shaver@yahoo.com Carly Martino 201-213-1830 carylros@ptd.net

**Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center Community Programs, January 2022**

Snowshoes and Hiking Poles Available  
 When: Monday thru Friday, 8:15 AM-3:30 PM  
 Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth  
 Borrow snowshoe equipment to use on Jacobsburg's trails this winter! Snowshoes are available for folks of any age or shoe size, including small children. Snowshoes will not be made available during times of insufficient snow cover, at least six inches of snow is required. To borrow equipment, you must provide a driver's license or other form of state issued identification. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email jacobsburgsp@pa.gov. You can check our website for current winter conditions and snow depth: <https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/StateParks/WinterReport/Pages/default.aspx>

**First Day Hikes at Jacobsburg**  
 Saturday, January 1, 2022 at 10:00am to 11:30am and 1:00pm to 2:30pm  
 Get out and get hiking on the first day of 2022! Join us for one of two 2-mile interpretive hikes at Jacobsburg. We will explore the old growth forest of Henrys Woods and the fields of the Homestead Trail. The hikes will leave at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM from the parking lot at 400 Belfast Road. Dress for the weather, wear comfortable hiking shoes, and bring a water bottle. Registration is required.

**Project FeederWatch Monitoring**  
 Thursday, January 13 at 8:30am to 3:30pm

Friday, January 14 at 8:30am to 3:30pm  
 You must have already participated in Birds and Bagels - Citizen Science and Monitor Training to register for this volunteer opportunity. Volunteer as a citizen scientist to observe and record bird observations at Jacobsburg's feeders. You can choose what times you would like to monitor between the hours of 8:30AM- 3:30PM, all day commitment is not required. Registration required to let us know what hours you are available to monitor.

**Family Night: I Bark, Squeak, and Chirp!**  
 Friday, January 21, 2022 at 6:00pm to 7:00pm

What could I be? A squirrel of course! We will be gathering in the classroom to learn about the three squirrels of Pennsylvania and ways in which squirrels communicate. We will also learn about

ways that squirrels help to promote a healthy forest ecosystem and go nuts as we assemble our very own squirrel call. Registration is required.

**Guest Speaker: Broad-winged Project**  
 Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 6:00pm to 7:30pm

Join Rebecca McCabe, a Research Biologist with Hawk Mountain Sanctuary and Ph.D. candidate at McGill University, as she explains her work in helping to conserve broad-winged hawks through extensive monitoring. One can imagine that catching a hawk, placing a transmitter, and following the hawk throughout the course of its life is no easy feat, but Rebecca will explain how this is done and the findings she and other scientists have made. All ages can benefit from this fascinating program, but especially teens who would like to pursue a career in the field of conservation and natural resources.

**Winter Tracking**  
 Saturday, January 29, 2022 at 9:00am to 11:00am

Could you tell if a bobcat was in the area? An owl? Join us as we take a walk through Jacobsburg in search of animal tracks and signs. Participants should dress for the weather and wear comfortable hiking shoes. If we have deep snow, we will walk in snowshoes! Registration is required.

**Winter Plant Walk**  
 Saturday, January 29, 2022 at 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Join us we take a walk through the woods and fields of Jacobsburg in search of winter plants that provide food for birds and other animals. Learn how to identify plants in winter and enjoy the winter landscape. Dress for the weather and wear comfortable hiking shoes. If we have deep snow, we will walk in snowshoes! Registration is required. You can view and register for community programs online at <https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=date&search=jacobsburg>. If you need an accommodation to participate in a program please contact the park office at 610-746-2801 or jacobsburgsp@pa.gov. Interpreters for people who are deaf or hard of hearing are available for educational programs with at least five days notice.

The Blue Mountain Community Library will hold a Semi-Annual Book Nook Sale on Sat. Jan. 15 from 10 am-Noon and Monday, Jan. 17 from 10 am Noon and 6-8 pm. All items in the Book Nook, located on the 2nd floor of the library, will be Half Price. Items include gently used Children and Adult Books, both hard and soft cover, Puzzles, and DVD's. Please support the library by purchasing books for yourself or your favorite reader. Masks are required to enter the library. The Blue Mountain Community Library is located at 216 S. Robinson Ave. in Pen Argyl, PA. Hours are M-Sa, 10:00 am to Noon and M and Th, 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Call 610-863-3029 for information or visit [www.bmcl.org](http://www.bmcl.org). Find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/bmclpenargyl](http://www.facebook.com/bmclpenargyl).

Jan. 23 talk: Capturing the wonder of waterfalls with photography

By some counts, Pennsylvania has 75 named waterfalls. Thirty of those are in the Poconos.

Adventurer, former pilot, and Colorado native Ray Roper has been making photos for decades. "Water in all its forms is endlessly fascinating," he said. "Frozen, flowing, cascading, even as crystals in the air – it always rewards the careful observer."

Roper has photographed many waterfalls in the Brodhead watershed, including many on land not open to the public. On Sunday, Jan. 23, 2022, Roper will share images from his collection and talk about his aesthetic choices and the love of the natural world expressed in his work.

**Waterfall Photography Talk**  
 When: 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23, 2022  
 Where: Brodhead Creek Heritage Center, 1539 Cherry Lane Road, East Stroudsburg, Pa.  
 Details: This event is free, but registration is appreciated at [brodheadwatershed.org/events](http://brodheadwatershed.org/events). Contact: Email [info@brodheadwatershed.org](mailto:info@brodheadwatershed.org) or call 570-839-1120.

FOR INFORMATION about this and other events in the free Get Outdoors Poconos series, go to [www.brodheadwatershed.org/gopoconos](http://www.brodheadwatershed.org/gopoconos). These events spotlight how forested land keeps drinking water safe and abundant. The series is administered by Brodhead Watershed Association and supported by a grant from the William Penn Foundation.

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JANUARY  
 JAN. 2ND – 9:00AM -2ND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS, HOLY COMMUNION  
 JAN. 6TH – 6:00PM – WORSHIP & MUSIC COMMITTEE MEETING 7:00PM – CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING  
 JAN. 9TH – 9:00AM – BAPIISM OF OUR LORD, SERVICE OF THE WORD UNDECORATE CHURCH AFTER WORSHIP  
 JAN. 12TH – 11:00AM – 12:00PM – PASTOR DALE'S BIBLE STUDY 1:00PM – 55+ ANGELS MEET  
 JAN. 16TH – 9:00AM -2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY, HOLY COMMUNION CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AFTER WORSHIP  
 17TH – 1:00PM – WELCA MEETING  
 JAN. 23RD – 9:00AM – 3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY, SERVICE OF THE WORD  
 JAN. 30TH – 9:00AM – 4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY, HOLY COMMUNION