



2nd Place Bangor White



Moravian Academy Gold Team Soils Award



3rd Place Freedom Black



CB Award

2019 Envirothon

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county event last year and placed 4th at the 2018 State competition; good luck Bangor!

This year, seven schools competed with a total of thirteen teams from Bangor Area High School, Freedom High School, Nazareth Area High School, Northampton Area High School, Moravian Academy, Pen Argyl Area High School, and Saucon Valley High School.

At the competition, the teams rotated through five stations taking written and hands-on tests. Bangor Area High School Maroon Team - Donald Burham Taryn Geiger, Jeff Steinert, Angel Torres, and Veronika Xiao - had the highest cumulative score and was the 1st place winner. Bangor Area High School White Team placed second, and Freedom High School Team Black placed third.

Plaques, medallions, and gift cards were awarded to the top three scoring teams; County Councilwoman, Tara Zrinski and Jeffrey Keifer of the NCCD Board of Directors presented the awards. In memory of our late manager, Chrissy Buchman, the District also presented The Chrissy Buchman Memorial Current Issue Award to Northampton Area High School Team #1 for having scored the highest at the Current Issue Station that did not place. The team was awarded a framed certificate and the advisor and each team member received a Regal Cinemas gift card.

In memory of the services of long-time District Board member and Chairman, Bob Jones, the District also presented The Robert H. Jones Memorial Soils and Land Use Award to Moravian Academy Gold Team for having scored the highest without placing at the Soils and Land Use Station. The team was awarded a framed certificate and a gift card to purchase items for their Envirothon library and each team member received a NCCD hat. Resources and gifts from the Cooperating Agencies were also presented as station awards to teams scoring the highest at the Aquatics (Freedom High School Team Gold), Wildlife (Pen Argyl High School Team Evergreen) and Forestry (Pen Argyl High School Team Evergreen) stations. Annual Envirothon T-shirts and NCCD mugs were provided to everyone who participated.



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Feed the Fire

It is my firm belief that everyone has a talent or a gift of some kind. This kind of talent doesn't wait until you are sitting in a high school guidance office to show itself, it has been a smoldering fire inside forever. The degree of talent and exactly what kind of talent it is varies widely and if kids don't get the chance to explore what they are drawn to, a talent may never manifest itself. In my particular case it was the need to understand how anything mechanical works. There is no club or class for 10 year olds who like to do that so I took things apart. Lawn mowers, appliances, anything I could get my hands on. Reverse engineering of sorts to grasp how all the parts interacted. Even though I can also read and write, mechanical things have been my passion forever.

Some kids are good with math, some with music, and others with science. There is a shoe for every foot and if you don't feed the fire inside, you are fighting an uphill battle. True fulfillment comes from being good at something and also doing it. I have trained many technicians in my career and a few stand out as gifted. It isn't always easier to train a gifted person because they continuously challenge the existing way of doing things while looking for new and better ones. I was that way once and it did lead to some innovative processes that we now use often at work. If I had a dime for every time I was told to do something "because that's the way we always do it" I could have retired by now.

Kids should be observed as to what they enjoy most when playing and they should be exposed to every kind of activity possible at a young age so they can identify the things they love to do. I believe that life is a little easier if you are doing something you like and getting paid for it instead of just working for money and hating what you are doing. Being a professional student can lead to disappointment when school is over and it is time to get a job. Summer internships can be a great way to test drive a line of work and many employers would jump at the chance to have a few months of cheap labor in exchange for basic training and work experience.

Vocational training is as valuable as any other kind of education and leads to a more self-sufficient lifestyle.

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Black Fly Spraying

By Rep. Joe Emrick

BANGOR - The Delaware and Lehigh rivers in Northampton County are among approximately 1,700 stream miles in 35 Pennsylvania counties that will undergo both aerial and backpack spraying by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to control black flies.

The frequency will depend upon weather and biological conditions. Treatments cannot occur during periods of heavy rain or when water levels are high as these conditions lower the effectiveness of the treatment as well as significantly increase the cost of the control operations.

DEP uses Bti, a naturally occurring bacterium, to treat the larval stage of four specific human pest black fly species. This bacterium degrades quickly in the environment and does not harm the aquatic ecosystem, birds, or other insects.

DEP notifies county and local emergency management officials prior to any spraying activity. Helicopters can be seen flying over waterways and ground crews using backpack sprayers off bridges and wading in streams conducting control operations on behalf of DEP's Black Fly Suppression Program.

Anyone concerned at the sight of helicopter or ground personnel is encouraged to call their county emergency management office to verify that a black fly treatment is taking place in their area on that day.

The Knights of Columbus Egg Hunt Winners

By Michael Ortoski

EASTON - The Knights of Columbus - Father DeNisco Council #3862 held their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 20 at the Council Home grounds. Despite the rainy and wet conditions, the sun appeared at the start, and we had over 150 local children participate in the egg hunt, receive a chocolate bunny, and meet the Easter Bunny. The following children found specially wrapped gold, silver, and purple eggs for which they won various sized solid chocolate bunnies.

The special egg Winners were: Ages 0-3 age: Gold - Madylin Shirvinsky, Silver - Magdalena DeFranco, Purple - Nate Culbertson; Ages 4-6: Gold - Cassondra Griffin, Silver - Rylie Brown, Purple - Harper Clinese;

Ages 7-9: Gold - Dillon Miskowski, Silver - Rylee Weidman, Purple - Emmelia Klein; and Ages 10 and up: Gold - Dylan Hopkins, Silver - Julie Colbertson, Purple - Emily Shim



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