

House Unanimously Advances Bill to Boost Firefighter Ranks

By State Rep. Joe Emrick

BANGOR - With the number of firefighters shrinking across the Commonwealth, the House has approved legislation that would prepare junior firefighters for becoming full firefighters a year earlier than is allowed under current law.

House Bill 2268 would permit a 17-year-old junior firefighter to complete the Interior Firefighting Module with Live Burns training program in the Fire Training System. Currently, only people age 18 and over are allowed to enroll in the training program.

In order to take the additional training at 17, junior firefighters would need to have the permission of their parents and fire chief. This would mean when a junior firefighter turns 18 years old, he or she would immediately be able to serve their communities as a full-fledged firefighter.

The legislation now goes to the Senate for consideration.



“BMCL Summer Fun with the Library”

By Valerie Viglione.

PEN ARGYL - Children who attended the first of 6 “BMCL Summer Fun with the Library”

events hold up their pictures of an ambulance that they colored. The kids were treated to two stories about First Responders and then they were then supposed to hear from two Ambulance Personnel and have a chance to see the inside of the Ambulance. Instead, they were able to see the first responders in action. An accident occurred a block from the Wind Gap Park and the Ambulance had to respond, along with Police, Fire Police and a Fire Truck. The next event, “Happy Birthday USA” will again be held at Wind Gap Park. Any child, pre-school to third grade, is welcome. Call the Blue Mt. Community Library to reserve a spot.

NCC Announces Spring ‘22 Dean’s List

By NCC

BETHLEHEM, PA - The following students have been named to the Dean’s List for the spring 2022 semester at Northampton Community College. The honor is reserved for students who have completed a minimum of 6 credits and achieved at least a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale in the spring 2021 semester. Honorees are listed by hometown below.

Bangor:

Andrea Acquisto, Rebecca Beach, Rachel Boddie, Alyssa Bohringer, Emilee Brewer, Lexi Bussenger, Brianne Caiazzo, Stephanie Capone, Brandon Castner, Christopher Conerly, Matthew Frangos, Katie Geary, Jesse Geiger, Sophia Genteel, Ashley Giroux, Morgan Grogg, Emily Hale, Lauren Harrison, Evelyn Harvey, Abigail Heald, Rebekah Humphreys, Aurora Imhof, Amanda Kitzmiller, Jackson Krei, Lena Lapenna, Makenzie Long, Cade Lupo, Elise Lupo, Amber Miller, Madeline Minner, Michenna Mulvaney, Patience Olaniyan, Madelyn Ott, Alexis Prunest, Letitia Quinlan, Brianna Ratzman, Christopher Reddick, Jessica Schreck, Luke Shriver, Wendy Shultz, Zowie Singleton, Greg Snyder, Tommy Stackhouse, Sarah Teague, Nicholas Turco, Jared Welsh, Bobbijo Werner, Nichole Werner, Judy Will, Kaitlyn Ziemba

Mount Bethel:

Alexis Bocko, Grace Cassidy, Siobhan Cassidy, Sarah Danielsen, Jacob Deeney, Kevin Gilmartin, Sierra Green, Rhiannon Hand, Matthew Hardardt, Nicholas Hardardt, Daniel Merlino, Yana Raykhel, Dacota Scheetz, Janessa Utes, Kimberly Walge

Pen Argyl:

Maria Basmal, Brianna Biondo, Matthey Boyer, Meghan Boyle, Brittany Brandao, Austin Buskirk, Lucas Buskirk, Sarah Campbell, Isabella Conte, Brittany Fairchild, Sophia Farino, Bethany Fregans, Richard Hannick, Madisyn Hatesaul, Jessica Jackson, Brooke Labarre, Gabriella Owen, Samuel Owens, Houston Shoup, Noelle Vargo, Luke Velekei, Abigail Wallbillich, Julia Weaver, Jordan Weith-Glushko, Maurice Whan, Cameron Whistler, Corrine Williams, Katelyn Wilson, Kaitlyn Winchilla

Roseto:

Alyssa Borger-Smith, Haley Carey, Olivia Palmeri, Lauren Pasculli, Brooke Reister, Nate Sattizahn, Jessica Silverman, Drew Stackhouse, Christina Talero

Wind Gap:

Alexis Altemose, Kassy Barlieb, Nicholas Epser, Nathan Fogel, Naomi Fossa, Aidan Haklar, Joshua Hawk, Tyler Heckman, Leah Kilpatrick, Rose Lasso, Cole Lutz, Andrew Murray, Brielle Schmidt, David Silliman, Rachael Stank, Yana Topa, Sierra Weiss, Omer Yurekli

Stroudsburg:

Hiba Abuhadba, Ashley Armitage, Nyana Barro, Jacob Battle, Peter Bis, Leah Braverman, Alyssa Brown, Hope Butler, Lizarllelina Calderon, Dakota Campisi, Cheyenne Cassimore, Gabriella Cecere, Theresa Chase, Kailee D’Auria, Nyla Estefany, Kelly Ferris, Christopher Gibson, Benjamin Golardi, Kaitlyn Halterman, Megan Hardesty, Carlos Hidalgo, Gabriel Howard, Katie Klingel, Lorena Lauer, Rosalind Lawrence, Dara Lewis, Zi Hao Li, Ashley Marquez, Caroline Metzgar, Marisel Molloy, Christopher Montalvo, Sara Moustafa, Lindsey Moyer, Beatrice Myrick, John Myrick, Cansu Ozkul, Jayden Paradis, Beata Paszkowski, Talia Pender, Carissa Pepitone, Yolanda Perez, Nataley Perry, Nichole Pershyn, Nicole Polanski, Zane Poyer, Riley Robinson, Gianna Roselle, Marvalyn Rowe, Avree Rubinstein, Hailey Sampson, Angel Sanchez, Taryn Simpson, Matthew Tanczyn, Amanda Taylor, Ebubechi Uzoukwu, Aaron Walker, Justin Whyte, Jessica Wilhelm, Maria Zaimov

Saylorsburg:

Nicholas Balsler, Parker Beiler, Anthony Bhagwatprasad, Rebecca Bien, Dillon-Riley Buckmaster, Jasmine Cardone, Rachel Conto, Connor Covart, Tyler Dans, Tom Derylo, Malinda Flaim, Courtney Freiwald, Brandon Garcia, Paige Hart, Gianna Iandoli, Dalyana Jones, Freya Lauritsen, Erica Leader, Alexis Leighty, Kristen Liberty, Michael Muhr, Kelly Munoz, Alfredo Newton, Richard Pagan, Tyler Price, Shanell Richards, Crystal Romero, Jesiah Schrader, Fisun Serbest, Katrina Steinberg, Christopher Wimmer