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Left John Birmingham UMBT Councilman and Portland Mayor Lance Prator



### Portland / UMBT 4th of July Parade

By Michael Ortoski

PORTLAND - The Annual 4th of July Parade hosted by Portland & Upper Mt. Bethel changed their route this year because of COVID 19. This year the parade started on State St. in Portland then toured the streets and roads of both municipalities where they were met with lots of people waiting in their driveways and along the side of the roads.

They were encouraged to decorated their house/ property/ cars/ bikes/ kids/ dogs and grand parents.

The roads they traveled on were Delaware Ave., Turkey Ridge Rd., Saddle Creek Rd., Million Dollar Dr., Ramble wood, Totts Gap Rd., Johnsonville Rd., Orchard Rd., Evergreen Rd., thru the village, with parade ending on Rt. 611.

The weather was picture perfect for the entire day of celebration.

I followed the parade in the middle behind the tractors and shot photos and videos of parade goers. Go to our Facebook page www. facebook.com/BlueValleyTimes and our website at bluevalleytimes. com to see all the photos and videos.

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Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce 20TH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP GOLF CLASSIC

Monday, July 13, 2020

WHITETAIL GOLF CLUB 2679 Klein Rd., Bath PA

Over the last 20 years this tournament has helped to support scholarships that have been given

to students of 9 area high schools in Northampton County.

With the uncertainty of the Covid-19 reopening phases the SBCC board has changed up the tournament to comply. We will be simply holding a golf outing outside only. No breakfast/lunch/dinner will be served.

Each participant will be given a bag with goodies to get you through the tournament.

Please consider becoming a sponsor as this is the only fund raiser we do for scholarship to support our future leaders.

**GOODIE BAG SPONSOR \$500** 

Includes, 2 free golfers, tee sign, flyer/business card in the goodie bags & listing in the program. PRIZE SPONSOR, \$250

Includes, 1 free golfer, tee sign & your listing in the program. TEE/HOLE SPONSORS:

GOLF \$55 PER PERSON



100% OF PROCEEDS BENEFIT SCHOLARSHIP FUND Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy a day out!

8:30 am Registration

Valley Dr. Bangor PA 18103, 610-588-1000 online	registration: www.slatebeltchamber.org
Company Name	Contact Person
E-Mail	Phone #
layers Name (s) Can't sign up a foursome? Pairs	s & singles will be matched up!
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## **County Council Passes Critical Components Of** Mcclure's Cares Act Plan For Helping Small **Businesses And Valley-wide Organizations**

By Becky Bartlett

EASTON - At their July 2nd meeting, County Council approved two resolutions related to the distribution of \$27.6 million in CARES Act Funds. The first resolution will enable the distribution of \$4 million to small business owners in Northampton County, helping them survive and thrive in this difficult economic climate.

"I want to thank Council for unanimously passing this very important resolution," says Lamont McClure. "Small businesses with 100 or fewer employees are a crucial to stimulat-

ing our economy and providing iobs."

Northampton County will partner with the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce to distribute the \$4 million in CARES Act funds. The grants can be used to support small businesses, for costs related to responding to COVID-19, for behavioral health and substance use disorder treatment, for nonprofit assistant programs and for broadband internet deployment.

The second resolution allows grants from the CARES Act to be distributed to bi-county organizations.

"We thank Senator Lisa Boscola for making the assistance of bi-county entities and organizations a priority of CARES Act Funding," says Lamont McClure.

The awards include \$500,000 to Discover Lehigh Valley, \$500,000 to ArtsQuest, \$250,000 to the Lehigh and Northampton County Airport Authority and \$100,000 to the State Theatre. All three organizations help bring tourists to the Lehigh Valley. A \$175,000 grant will go to the Lehigh Valley Economic Development Corporation (LVEDC) for costs related to assisting businesses during the COVID-19 disaster emergency.



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