

Northhampton County Executive Lamont McClure is a 'Friends of Minsi Lake'



By Michael Ortoski / Co Chair of 'Friends of Minsi Lake'
UMBT - When the 'Friends of Minsi Lake' (FOML) was first started back in 2017 with the help of Senator Scavello, State Rep. Emrick, PA. Fish & Boat and Northhampton County our main goal was funding.

Northhampton County Executive Lamont McClure was the first to put this on the top of his list of funding for the parks and recs department. He went to his council for a huge number \$500,000 to use as matching funds for what FOML would need in the future, and it was unanimously approved.

At the Re-opening ceremony at the end of June, in his speech he mentioned that he promoted "making Northhampton more green" after he was elected and to me he has delivered on that.

For that FOML dedicated one of the porcupine crib fish habitat structures with his name on it. Co Chair John Mauser put his name on it just before they loaded it on a boat to take it out to its specific GPS location then submerged under water.

McClure will receive a certificate with the GPS location numbers on it and a thank you from Friends of Minsi Lake Committee. That's one expensive porcupine crib!!!

McClure's Deputy Director of Administration Becky Bartlett also made a donation to FOML towards the lakes projects, so she got her name on one of the turtle basking platforms.

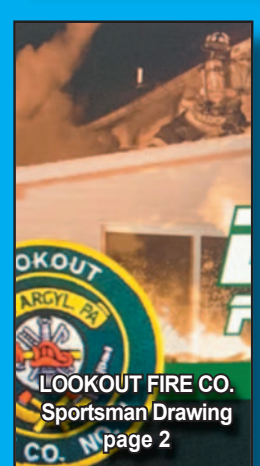
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Portland Waterfront Park Closed

By Michael Ortoski
PORTLAND - It only takes a few people to ruin it for the rest of us, but in this case it was hundreds. For the last couple of months alot of our beautiful parks have been taken over by people that don't know what it takes to have a nice park in our community.

In Portland starting friday nights thru Sunday afternoon swarms of people come to tje Waterfront park with big coolers filled with food and alcohol (a big no no at county parks), grills and a lot of loud music. These people have no regards to the rules posted at the entrance of the park or the community they are in.



"There are know bathrooms down there and the public facility on main st. is shut down due to COVID 19" said Portland Mayor Lance Prator.

And when they leave, I mean they just leave. They leave all their trash for the Borough to take care of.

This tells us that they don't live in the same society that are Slate Belt Community does.

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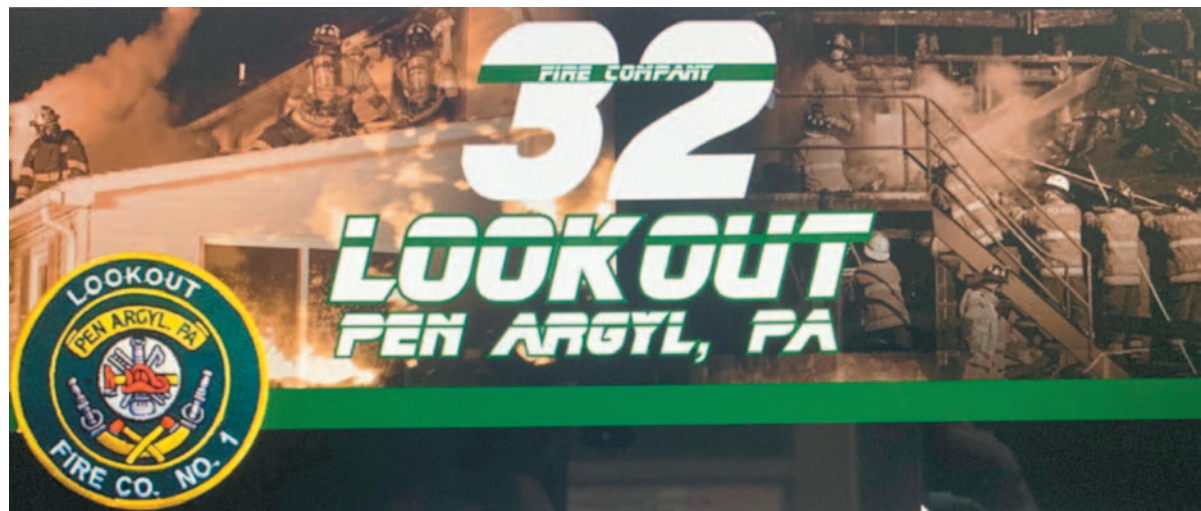
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LOOKOUT FIRE CO. # 1 Sportsman Drawing and Meat Raffle has Been Postponed

By Jim Davey

PEN ARGYL - LOOKOUT FIRE CO. # 1 Sportsman Drawing and Meat Raffle has been postponed until October 10, 2020. Please see our web site lookoutfireco.com for additional information.

It is our goal to bring you an event similar to what it has looked like in years past: with food, drinks, and a meat raffle.

If you have a ticket, that's great! Keep it for our new date. If you don't have a ticket, it sounds like you need one! Get in touch with any member or send us a message to get one!

We have chosen to postpone to October to allow for circumstances to improve and for us to continue to work on putting this together in a way that keeps the health and safety of our community at the forefront of our planning, but is still a great community event. We thank you for your patience as we continue to navigate this uncertain time together and make the best decisions possible. We look forward to continuing to serve our community! #LFC #lookoutfireproud #penargylproud

Seeking Nominations for residents who've contributed to Suicide Prevention

By DHS Director Susan Wandalowski and the Suicide Prevention Task Force

EASTON - Director of Human Services Susan Wandalowski and the Northampton County Suicide Prevention Task Force are seeking nominations to honor community members who work in or have participated in suicide prevention. Nominees may include those who have made suicide prevention their life's work, are actively contributing to the cause, or have assisted in preventing loss by suicide.

Nominations should be made in an essay of 250 words or fewer with a description of why the nominee deserves to be recognized. Nominations can be sent to Susan Wandalowski via email at swandalowski@northamptoncounty.org or by mail to the following address:

Susan Wandalowski, 2801 Emrick Blvd., Bethlehem, PA 18020.

Nominations must be received or postmarked by August 14, 2020. Awards will be distributed at a press conference in September 2020.



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