



**ATC Jamboree**

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Ensuring that its natural beauty and priceless culture and heritage can be shared for centuries to come.

There were over 22 exhibitors here are a few highlights of the them. Slate Belt Rising and Friends of Minsi Lake collaborated on constructing turtle basking platforms with some of the children and adults who attended the event to be put into the lake in the spring of 2020.

Pete from P.T. Reptiles brought some of his reptile friends and put on an educational show. 10ft. pythons, small and very large turtles, crocodile, lizards just to name a few.

Brothers Guitar who donated the sound equipment and entertainment held 'open mic' for all the local talent.

Metz Amusement donated skill games for the children. Waste Management had 'spin the recycling wheel' to test your knowledge.

Slate Belt Regional Police made ID cards for the children for their parents. State Farm Agent Deb Pettinari brought the 'DUI Goggles', they are very out of focus goggle lenses and you wear them as you navigate an obstacle course. Although DUI is serious matter the education part was full of laughter watching people try to walk.

Thanks goes out to Wind Gap Borough, Fire Dept and Ambulance for helping put on a great event, the most successful Jamboree in the past four years. And to all the exhibitors and volunteers who helped make it all possible.



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**BANGOR MEMORIAL PARK**  
 Bangor Park Octoberfest in Bangor, PA, has a train ride through the park to see illuminated jack o lanterns. There will also be a hayride, games, food vendors, craft vendors, scarecrow stuffing, pumpkin carving/painting and costume contests. Octoberfest has been occurring for over 14 years.

For more information please email Debbie at [bangorparkboard@gmail.com](mailto:bangorparkboard@gmail.com) or call/text: 610-751-7692



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**August 12**  
Portland Fire Co  
Starts 7pm

**August 13**  
Bushkill Twp Fire Co  
Doors 5pm  
Starts 7pm

**August 9**  
Wind Gap Fire Co  
Doors 5pm; Starts  
6:45pm

**August 10**  
Immaculate  
Conception  
Doors 11am;  
Starts 1pm

**August 11**  
St. Elizabeth Church  
Starts 1pm

**Aug 15**  
Kunkletown Fire Co  
Progressive  
Jackpot - 7pm

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## Musikfest May Hit Record Breaking Year

By Michael Ortoski

BETHLEHEM, Pa. - Musikfest put another year in the books with a very successful year thanks to mother nature. The final official count not in yet but is rumored to break the 1.2 million record, a complete opposite from last year's rain and flooding. A corrding to Musikfest the band Chainsmokers gave them a big boost this year, their first electric dance music.

What else helped was the USA Today's 2019 poll of the 10Best Festivals in North America, Bethlehem's Musikfest was voted number one, followed by other distinguished names in the industry such as Riot Fest (2), Austin City Limits Music Festival (9) and Coachella (10). For the poll, USA Today selected 20 well-known music festivals in the nation and gave their readers four weeks to vote for their favorite top 10.

Founded in 1984 by the nonprofit ArtsQuest, the first Musikfest featured 295 performances on six stages, attracting more than 180,000 people to historic Bethlehem. Over the past three decades, the event has grown to become the largest free festival in the nation, with 500-plus shows on 16 stages over 10 days. Each year more than 900,000 people make their way to the Lehigh Valley and the festival, with their sights set on experiencing all the music, food and fun of this musical extravaganza.

Musikfest and all of its free programming is made possible through the support of 1,700 volunteers, 150 corporate partners, the City of Bethlehem, the Bethlehem Redevelopment Authority, ArtsQuest Members, the artists, performers, vendors and patrons.



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