

**NOTICE**  
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**Mission of Love Food Hub**  
 Every Tuesday- Located at 555 North Main St., Bangor, 8am-12pm. All are invited. Dr. Pastor Frank Pons. (570) 807-7794

**Explore Warren County Tourism at:  
 ExploreWarren.org**  
 Located at 165 County Route 519 South - Belvidere, NJ 07823 908-475-6580 / 800-554-8540

**Portland Upper Mt. Bethel Food Bank**  
 Located at 111 State St. Portland Pa. are open every Monday 8am to Noon

**Biking**  
 Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area - River Road Bushkill, PA (570) 426-2452 Levee Loop Trail - Biking East Stroudsburg, PA (570) 426-1512 info@srosrc.org

**BIKE TRAIN**  
**ALL ABOARD THE SCENIC BIKE TRAIN!**

Hop on the Bike Train and step back in time. Enjoy a relaxing 25 mile train ride through the Lehigh Gorge. Then, pedal your bike back down to Jim Thorpe at your own pace along the Lehigh Gorge Rail Trail.

Advance Tickets/reservations Are Required For The Bike Train And Can Be Made By Calling The Blue Mountain & Northern Railroad (Aka Lehigh Gorge Scenic Railway) Directly At <https://pconobiking.com/specialty-trips/bike-train/>

**Fishing Equipment Available**  
 When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm  
 Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth  
 Borrow fly rods, spinning rods, fly boxes, and tackle to use in Jacobsburg's creeks! To borrow equipment, you must provide a driver's license or other form of state issued identification. Persons age 16 and older must possess a current fishing license to fish. Adults can help children under 16 fish without a license. Bait is not provided. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email [jacobsburgsp@pa.gov](mailto:jacobsburgsp@pa.gov).

**DiscoverE Adventure Backpacks Available**  
 When: Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 2:30pm  
 Where: Jacobsburg Visitor Center, 400 Belfast Road, Nazareth  
 Borrow a backpack full of kid-friendly tools to explore Jacobsburg! These backpacks are best for families with young children. Each backpack includes binoculars, notepad, colored pencils, magnifying lens, bug box, dip net, and five field guides for exploring the pond, insects, birds, trees, butterflies and moths. For more information call 610-746-2801 or email [jacobsburgsp@pa.gov](mailto:jacobsburgsp@pa.gov).

You can view and register for community programs online at <https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/events?order=dated&search=jacobsburg>.

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**New Items at Blue Mountain Community Library**  
**Adult Fiction –**

We Are All Guilty Here, Karin Slaughter  
 The Hallmarked Man, Robert Galbraith  
 Please Don't Lie, Christina Baker Kline  
 Edge of Honor, Brad Thor  
 The Pumpkin Spice Café, Laurie Gilmore  
 The Cinnamon Bun Book Store, Laurie Gilmore  
 Into the Gray Zone, Brad Taylor  
 The Emperor of Gladness, Ocean Vuong  
 Apostle's Cove, William Kent Krueger  
 The Secret of Secrets, Dan Brown  
 The Academy, Elin Hilderbrand

**Adult Large Print –**  
 The Violet Hour, Victoria Benton Frank  
 Something to Look Forward To, Fannie Flagg  
 Rage, Linda Castillo  
 Echoes of the Past, Ashley Farley  
 Dinner at the Beach House Hotel, Judith Keim

**Adult Non-fiction –**  
 The Gut-Brain Paradox, Steven Gundry

**Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center**  
 Community Programs, January 2026  
 First Day Hike  
 Thursday, January 1, 2026 10am to 11:30am

Get out and get hiking on the first day of 2026! Join us for a three-mile interpretive hike at Jacobsburg. We will explore the fields of the Homestead Trail to enjoy views of Blue Mountain and the village of Belfast. The hike will start and end at the visitor center at 400 Belfast Road. Children must be at least 5 years old if walking on their own. Dress for the weather, wear comfortable hiking shoes, and bring a water bottle. Registration is required.

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**Women in the Wild - First Day Hike**  
 Thursday, January 1, 2026 1pm to 2:30pm

Get out and get hiking on the first day of 2026! Join fellow women hikers for a three-mile interpretive hike at

Jacobsburg. We will explore the fields of the Homestead Trail to enjoy views of Blue Mountain and the village of Belfast. The hike will start and end at the visitor center at 400 Belfast Road. Children must be at least 5 years old if walking on their own. Dress for the weather, wear comfortable hiking shoes, and bring a water bottle. Registration is required.

Women in the Wild is a monthly series of outdoor programs held at state parks throughout the Southeast. Each month of 2026 there will be an opportunity to get outdoors, learn a new skill, and have fun in a relaxed, friendly, and affirming environment. Are you drawn to the outdoors and interested in exploring new hobbies and wilderness skills? This series is designed especially for you! Choose from activities like archery, paddleboarding, rock climbing, and birdwatching. Check out the event at your closest state park or follow Women in the Wild to a new park each month. We're excited to spend the year with you trying new things!

**Winter Wonders Series**  
 Monday, January 5, 12, 26, and February 2, 2026 10am to 11am

Join the team at Jacobsburg as we explore winter wonders! Each session will have a new seasonal theme and craft. This program is suited for children aged 3+. Homeschool students welcome! All children must be accompanied by an adult. There are four total sessions, you may register for some or all, however, each session must be registered for individually. \*There will be NO session on 1/19/26\*

**Family Science Night - Tracking Workshop**  
 Friday, January 16, 2026 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Winter is a good time to observe animals and study their tracks. Learn how animals walk and how to identify them based on their foot shape. We'll spend the evening inside getting messy by making plaster casts. This event is best for children ages 3 and up and is a great introduction to tracking ahead of Saturday's outdoor Mammal Mystery program. Registration is required.

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After hours 24/7 number: [Carbon Moproke Pike](https://www.carbonmoprokepike.org) Referral Center at 1-866-824-3578. During regular business hours call: [Carbon County Referral Center](https://www.carbonmoprokepike.org) Toll Free: (866) 824-3578. [Moproke County Catholic Social Services](https://www.moprokepike.org): (570) 517-0892

[Pyramid Healthcare Bartonsville Outpatient](https://www.pyramidhealthcare.org): (888) 694-9996. [Pike County Catholic Social Services](https://www.pikecountycc.org): (570) 296-1054

[Carbon County Provider](https://www.carbonmoprokepike.org): PA Treatment and Healing (PATH), 335 N. Fourth Street, 2nd Floor, Lehighton, PA. 18235. (610) 377-8870. [Northampton County Drug & Alcohol Division](https://www.northamptoncountydrugandalcoholdivision.org) - Located at 2801 Enrich Blvd, Bethlehem, PA 18020. 610-829-4725. A case manager is available Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm to provide you with assistance on accessing services for substance abuse. If you do not have health insurance and are in financial need, this office may also help you get the funding for the services that are necessary.

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**Blue Mountain Community Library**

In addition to its annual Christmas tree ornament fundraiser and ongoing book sale in its second floor Book Nook, with gently used books and puzzles for all ages, the Blue Mountain Community Library invites the community to stop by during open hours to purchase items from a special "Last Chance Books" table on its first floor. Items are available for a monetary donation of any size.

The library also has Pen Argyl yearbooks in its collection and for sale. Anyone wishing to purchase a yearbook from a particular year is encouraged to call the library in advance (610-863-3029).

The Blue Mountain Community Library is located at 216 S. Robinson Ave. in Pen Argyl. Hours are 10am-12pm Monday through Saturday and 6-8pm Mondays and Thursdays. Library membership is free for residents of Pen Argyl, Wind Gap, and Plainfield Township and \$12 annually for non-residents. Please see [www.bmcl.org](http://www.bmcl.org) for more information.

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