

Summer Fun at Wind Gap Borough Park

By State Rep. Ann Flood

The Wind Gap Volunteer Fire Company Carnival once again brought the community together at Wind Gap Borough Park for three days of summer tradition, family fun and entertainment.

Residents of all ages turned out to enjoy live music, food, rides, games and activities that have made the event a longtime local favorite.

My office hosted an information booth at the carnival, providing materials on state services and upcoming events.

Throughout the weekend, visitors stopped by to ask questions and learn more about available assistance programs and community resources.

Thank you to the Wind Gap Volunteer Fire Company for hosting another successful event and for their continued service to the community!



Grand Opening for Latte Lounge & Bake Shoppe

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Congratulations to Latte Lounge & Bake Shoppe on its grand opening in Mt. Bethel!

Owner Seana Sapunarich has opened a wonderful addition to our local business community. Latte Lounge & Bake Shoppe offers specialty coffee, baked goods, homemade ice cream, dirty soda, custom orders and complimentary WiFi, creating a welcoming place for the community to gather and enjoy local treats.

I was pleased to have my legislative aide, Lisa Amy, attend the ribbon-cutting ceremony hosted by Slate Belt Chamber on my behalf and present Seana with a certificate of recognition to commemorate this exciting milestone.

Small businesses are the backbone of our local economy, and I wish Seana, her family and everyone at Latte Lounge & Bake Shoppe every success. I encourage everyone to stop by, show their support and help welcome this great new business to Mt. Bethel!

Fighting Back Against 'Gas Station Heroin'

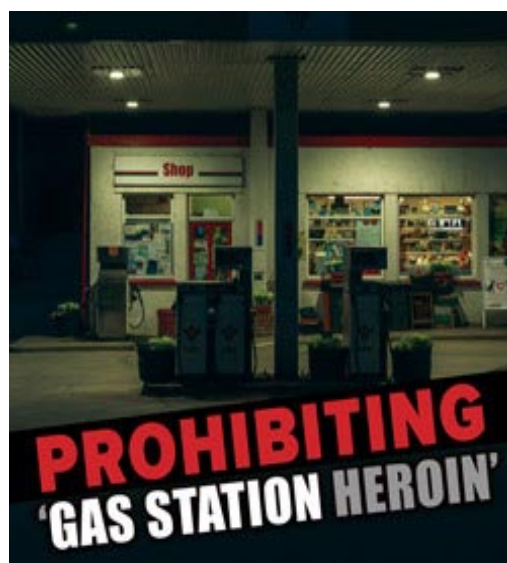
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I recently voted in support of legislation that would make tianeptine, also known as "gas station heroin," illegal in the Commonwealth.

Tianeptine is an antidepressant that can produce feelings of euphoria that mimic the effects of heroin and other opioids, making it highly addictive. Tianeptine is a prescription drug in Europe but often sold as an ingredient in products sold in gas stations and online in the United States. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has not approved it for use, but businesses here are selling it by labeling it as "not for human consumption" or adding it to dietary supplements.

House Bill 377 would prevent the manufacture, delivery or possession of tianeptine, commonly sold by the names Zaza, Coaxil, Tianna or Stablon. Individuals convicted of violating the law could face penalties of up to five years imprisonment and a fine of up to \$15,000.

The bill is pending consideration in the Senate.



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One of Emmaus' Largest Community Celebrations in Years Planned for July 24-26

By Hayden Rinde

EMMAUS, PA — The Borough of Emmaus, in partnership with community organizations including Emmaus Main Street Partners, the Emmaus Historical Alliance, and numerous other local groups, will host the Emmaus 250 Celebration from July 24-26, 2026. The three-day festival will commemorate America's 250th anniversary with one of the largest community celebrations the borough has hosted in years, featuring live music, historical experiences, family activities, local food vendors, and a spectacular drone and laser light show.

Designed to showcase the rich history and strong community spirit of Emmaus, the celebration will transform downtown streets, historic sites, parks, and public gathering spaces into destinations for residents and visitors alike. The weekend will bring together local businesses, nonprofits, performers, veterans, faith organizations, and community volunteers in a shared tribute to America's semi quincentennial and Emmaus' own unique heritage.

The celebration begins Friday, July 24, with an Opening Ceremony at 5:00 p.m. at the borough's gateway entrance near the Emmaus Public Library. The ceremony will feature the unveiling of a new borough welcome sign, a public reading of the Declaration of Independence by the local Girl and Boy Scout Troops and special presentation by the Emmaus Veterans Committee. Following the ceremony, the Main Street Cruisers will perform at the Triangle beginning at 6:30 p.m., with food vendors available throughout the evening.

For additional event details, schedules, updates, and announcements, visit [facebook.com/emmaus250](https://www.facebook.com/emmaus250).