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32nd Annual Bangor Festival of Bands

by Michael Ortoski

BANGOR- Bangor marching band hosted their 32nd annual Festival of Marching Bands this past week under the lights at Bangor park.

Bands from six schools competed and were judged for music, general effects, marching, band front and an overall rating.

Schools in order of performance were Pen Argyl, Wilson, Phillipsburg, Palisades, Pleasant Valley, William Allen and Bangor.

Wilson performed music of jazz style, ranging from Dixieland to Swing to the 1970's. Palisades 2009 show featured music

of James Bond. Pen Argyl's show was Styx's greatest hits. William Allen's show was entitled "Flashbacks", which sent you back to the '70's. Pleasant Valley performed music of Carlos Santana.

The Bangor "Slater" Marching band will be performing in three big events. On November 11th, they will march in New York City in the Veterans Day Parade. They will perform at the Gator Bowl in Jacksonville, Florida on January 1st, and on December 29th, they will be marching in the Magic Kingdom Electro-Magic Parade in Disney World.

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Member of the Pen Argyl Marching Band



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Fall Open Houses

by Michael Ortoski

Mt. BETHEL/PEN ARGYL- This past weekend held open houses were held at The Mount Bethel Vol. Fire Company in Mt. Bethel and Stone Cottage Gardens in Pen Argyl.

The Mt. Bethel Vol. Fire Company featured fire

safety for kids, as well as other local rescue units. Upcoming events for the fire company are: Annual Gun Show on October 11th, Bingo every Thursday at 6:45pm, and the Octoberfest Dance on October 31st. The social hall is available to rent for your event! The firehouse is located at 2341 North Delaware Drive, Mt. Bethel, phone number is 570-897-6767.

Stone Cottage Gardens, located at 1022 Pennsylvania Ave (Route 512), Pen Argyl, the "Best Kept Secret in North East PA".

Featuring a Nursery and fall decor, mums, garlands and wreaths to Christmas gifts, cards, presents and decorations to birthday, seasonal, holiday and every occasion gifts. Stop by Stone Cottage Gardens and you just might be surprised as to what you find! Visit their website at www.StoneCottageGardens.net.



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Members of the Mt. Bethel Vol. Fire Company



Stroudsburg attempts to put the ball in the cage

Talent Show of Local Young Field Hockey Players

by Anne Ortoski

BANGOR- This past Friday, the Bangor Middle School Field Hockey Team took on the Stroudsburg Middle School. Both teams played outstanding games. Stroudsburg 'A' won 3-1. For the Mounties, Brittany Thornton scored two goals and Sami DeVivo scored one. For the Slaters, Zungulo scored the lone goal.

In the 'B' game, Stroudsburg won 1-0, with the lone goal scored by Kalista Gioglio.

All the players were very competitive on the field, however off the field both teams talked to each other on the sidelines and held the sportsmanship at a very high level.

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Green and White Mural

Danielle Farrell, a senior at Pen Argyl Area High School, volunteered her time, skills and energy this past summer creating a beautiful new mural at the Pen Argyl Green & White fields. Danielle drew several designs to be approved by the Green & White Committee and she asked Reto's Paint and Mattress to donate the materials. They were very generous at Reto's not only supplying the paint but the brushes as well. Once approved, the image was laid out and the painting process began. Three fun months later she is finished and it looks fantastic.



UPPER MT. BETHEL BASKETBALL SIGN UPS

The Upper Mt. Bethel Recreation Association will be holding Basketball sign ups on **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13th** and **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14th** from 7-9pm, at the DeFranco Elementary School Cafeteria.

Sign ups are open to all Bangor Area School District residents. Boys and Girls in Grades 1 and 2 are eligible for the "In House Program", which consists of games one day a week and boys and girls in grades 3, 4, 5, and 6 will play a full schedule in the Community Basketball League.

The cost is \$30. Players in grades 3-6 must order a uniform at sign ups which is an additional cost.

Bring a copy of birth certificate at sign ups.

Call **Craig Berger** at 610-588-7397 or **Eileen Champa** at 570-897-7622 for more information.

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