

## Bangor Elks Lodge Presents Donation to Mission of Love



Holding the check: L to R Todd McLain to Pastor Frank

By John Neetz

**BANGOR** - On Tuesday December 7, Bangor Lodge #1106 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks presented a check to the Mission of Love Food Pantry. The donation of \$3500 was presented by Past Exalted Ruler Todd McLain to Pastor Frank and the many

volunteers of the Food Pantry. The donation, provided by a grant from the Elks National Foundation Community Investment Program, was presented to assist the pantry in providing food supplies for the less than fortunate residents of the Slate Belt area.

Since 1868, The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks have been one of the premier charitable and social fraternal organizations in the United States. For many years the Elks have been providing services and donations to assist our youth, our veterans, our community, and the less fortunate. In addition, each year the Elks, through the Elks National Foundation, provide over 3.4 million dollars for scholarships to students throughout the country.

The proud members of Bangor Elks Lodge #1106 in coordination with the Elks National Foundation has provided and continues to assist our community in providing services and donations. The local membership, made up of upstanding American citizens over the age of 21, is honored to give back to our community and continues the mission of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

## Holly Jolly Holiday Festival at Slate Belt YMCA in Pen Argyl



Kimberly Stocker owner of Blue Flame Events with Santa and a little friend



Over 50 small business vendors and crafters attended the event at the Slate Belt Y

By Michael Ortoski

**PEN ARGYL** - The Slate Belt Y had their first big event in their new gym this past weekend hosting the 'Holly Jolly Holiday Vendor Festival & Tricky Tray.'

Kimberly Stocker owner of Blue Flame Events who co-ordinated the event said they had over 50 small business vendors and

crafters attend the event. Stocker said "I received a lot of donations from some of the vendors to have a tricky tray auction, with all proceeds going to the Y.

Santa and his elves set up a photo booth so all the children and some adults could have their photo taken with him.

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