

## Heritage Center

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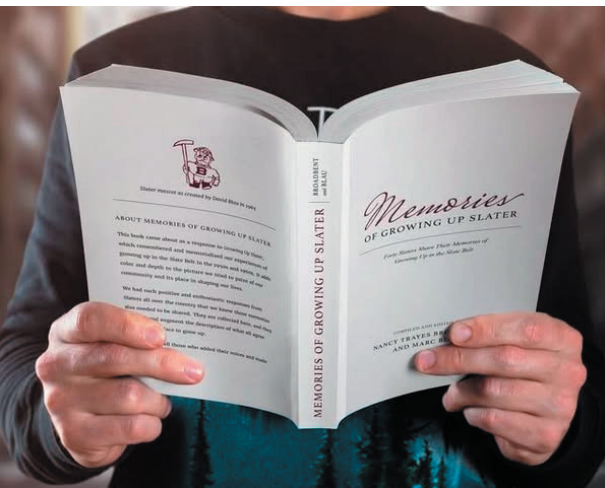
Belvidere Highway Bridge in Martin's Creek that is also partially used as a Bed & Breakfast and known as the 'River Affair Estate'.

The Special Focus Award goes to an individual who is saving or conserving tradition or a body of knowledge and may be contributing to educational information via exhibits, documentation, internet, archival, etc. This years' award goes to Robert Uliana for his time and dedication over the past 15+ years maintaining the Upper Edelman Schoolhouse located along Route 191 in Plainsfield Township.

A public ceremony for these awards will be held on Thursday, June 19th at 7:00 PM at the Heritage Center.

The Center is located at 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA.

For additional information please contact either Jason Huggan @ 484-574-2480 or Karen Brewer @ 484-894-5661.



**The Slate Belt Heritage Center will release their new book, "MEMORIES OF GROWING UP SLATER" with a book signing on Thursday, June 12 at 7pm. This book is composed of memories from 40 slaters ranging from the 1950s - 1980s. Nancy & Marc will discuss the book and read a few memories. If you liked the first Growing Up Slaters book, then you will love this one too. Check out our pre-order form on our Facebook page. Books will be available that night for \$25 or \$35 if we need to mail it to you. This event is one of several ways the SBHC is joining in the 150th celebration week.**



## Bangor Area School District

### Kindergarten Registration Press Release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

January 1, 2025

#### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

#### WELCOME CLASS OF 2038!

The Bangor Area School District (BASD) is excited to welcome the Class of 2038! The kindergarten team at Five Points Elementary School is looking forward to working with our new kindergarten class for the 2025-2026 School Year. A child is eligible for kindergarten if he/she

- is at least the age of five (5) years by August 25, 2025.
- resides within the boundaries of BASD.
- successfully completes the district's kindergarten screening process.

Kindergarten registration is online. Online kindergarten registration is available for parents and/or guardians through the district website ([www.bangorslaters.com](http://www.bangorslaters.com)). Once packets are received and confirmed complete, BASD will contact parents/guardians to schedule a kindergarten screening appointment in June of 2025.

Completed packets must be received no later than May 16, 2025, to guarantee a screening appointment in June. A completed registration includes:

- Parent/Guardian Photo Identification
- Proof of child's birth date (must be at least five (5) years by August 25, 2025)
- Two (2) proofs of residency
- Immunizations
- Physical Exam Record
- Dental Exam Record

To schedule a screening appointment, the completed online registration and mandatory documents must be submitted and approved by the registration secretary. Kindergarten screenings for the 2025-2026 School Year will occur in June of 2025. All screenings are by appointment only. An adult must accompany the child for their screening appointment. Our kindergarten staff is eager to meet and work with your child!

For more information, please contact:

Dr. Joseph Kondisko, Director of Student Services

Bangor Area School District

123 Five Points Richmond Road

Bangor, PA 18013

610-588-2163

## PEN ARGYL AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT RESIDENTS

The Pen Argyl Area School District is offering a property tax rebate program.

You may qualify if:

1. You have owned and occupied your home during the period for which you are claiming a rebate. Rebates are granted for your primary residence only; and
2. (a) You or your spouse (if living with you) were 65 years or older as of December 31, 2024; or
- (b) You were a widow or widower during all or part of 2024 and were 50 years old or older as of December 31, 2024; or
- (c) You were permanently disabled during all or part of 2024, and you were unable to work because of your medically determined physical or mental disability which is expected to continue indefinitely; and
3. Your total annual income, including the income of a spouse residing with you, was \$45,000 or less in 2024. (**IMPORTANT:** only report 50% of your Railroad Retirement benefits and 50% of Federal Social Security Act benefits); and
4. 2024/25 Pen Argyl School District Real Estate Taxes were paid in full.
5. Only one member of your household may file a claim.
6. Delinquent taxes **DO NOT QUALIFY**.

**The deadline for filing an application is June 30, 2025**

Applications are available at the Pen Argyl Area School District Office, or call the District Office at (610) 863-3191 option 7.



**BANGOR 150<sup>TH</sup> YEAR CELEBRATION PARADE**  
**BANGOR THROUGH THE YEARS**  
**SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025 AT 2:00 P.M.**



#### PARADE PARTICIPANTS

The parade route will start on Lower South Main Street near Pennico Park and continue up South Main Street onto Broadway and end at Fourth Street and Broadway. Line ups start at 1:00 P.M. There will be parade volunteers to assist with line ups.

You will be notified two days before the parade to inform you what division you have been assigned and who is in front and in back of your group, float, individuals or band.

In-person registration is at **Bray's Newstand**, 36 Broadway, Bangor or **Miller's Paint Store**, 100 Erdman Avenue, Bangor. For online registration go to **[bangorborough.org](http://bangorborough.org)** and click on **150th Anniversary Celebration**.

The deadline for registration is on Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 P.M. Registration is free. No late registrations please. There will also be no candy throwing.

Division line ups are as follows:

- Division 1 will line up at the PCI parking lot.
- Division 2 at BioSpectra parking lot near the viaduct.
- Division 3 on South Main Street in front of the Bangor Borough garage.

For participants registering online, please make a sign measuring 6"x 8" with your assigned parade number. The judges will be seated in front of Jones monument on South Main Street, so please place your sign on the right side of your float or group.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 484-375-9824.

Thank you.

Keith Heard

Parade Co-Chairman



# FREE Fall Risk Screening Clinics



**Good Shepherd Rehabilitation in Bangor is proud to be part of the Slate Belt community.**

In appreciation of our community, we're hosting a series of outreach events and you're invited.

**Screening Clinic Details**  
Good Shepherd Rehabilitation  
422 Blue Valley Drive, Bangor

**May 13 • June 10 • July 8 • Aug. 12**  
**11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**  
**RSVP: 610.863.6966**  
Walk-ins are welcome.

**Good Shepherd Rehabilitation**

[goodshepherdrehab.org](https://goodshepherdrehab.org)

**Are You at Risk for a Fall?**


The experts at Good Shepherd Rehabilitation in Bangor are hosting a **free** fall risk screening clinic to help determine your fall risk and **what you can do about it.**

Our team will perform screenings and offer professional guidance to identify and decrease your risk factors – helping you maintain an active, healthy and safe lifestyle.

Additional information on fall prevention will be available and our team can answer any questions.

**Light refreshments will be served.**

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## How Funds Support Plainfield Township

Host Community Spotlight 2024

Funding from the host agreement provides the municipality opportunities to support special projects, capital projects, and more.

In 2024, WM's tipping fees provided the following:

- \$1/ton = \$693,756**  
Infused into the General Fund in 2024
- \$1.65/ton = \$1,150,664**  
Infused into the Host/Capital Improvement Budget
- \$0.45/ton = \$313,817**  
Transferred into the Municipal Trust Fund



Total Received From Landfill Operations in 2024: **\$2,158,238**

Want to Learn More? Check out our new video →

**Did you know?**

Landfills in Pennsylvania are required to provide at least \$1<sup>100</sup> to a Host Community

Since 2005, Host Municipality Benefits have totaled \$32,336,987.95 to Plainfield Township. These benefits are the sum of \$3.10 per ton of waste disposed at Grand Central.



## Grand Central Landfill Community Investment

A look back at 2024 and the investments made to help the Slate Belt thrive:

- In 2024, the Facility Cooperation Agreement provided Pen Argyl Borough with \$903,204.95 (\$1.30 per ton).
  - These funds were used for community improvements and to match grants that help fund street improvements.
- Pen Argyl Borough residents received free trash and recycling collection and disposal worth an estimated value of \$713,340 (1,321 households <sup>1</sup>).
- In 2024, the Neighboring Municipality Agreement provided Wind Gap Borough with \$836,846.47 (\$1.20 per ton).
  - A portion of this funding supported the paving of Constitution Avenue and Oak Street.
- Wind Gap Borough residents received free trash and recycling collection and disposal worth an estimated value of \$659,340 (1,221 households <sup>1</sup>).

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To be added to the distribution list!



## Contributions At a Glance

Local Non-Profit Charitable Donations in 2024: **\$102,585**

- Since 2020 WM provided \$510,185 in charitable donations to local non-profits.
- \$146,464.48 voluntarily contributed to Northampton County Recycling and Sustainability fund to offset the costs for electronic recycling and household hazardous waste event.

## Calendar of Events

RSVP for Tours: [afors1@wm.com](mailto:afors1@wm.com)

<b>APR 16</b> Sustainability Tour 9:00pm	<b>JUN 07</b> Bird Walk 11:30am   Ed. Center
<b>JUN 16</b> Talking Trash Tour 9:00pm	<b>AUG 18</b> Count The Butterflies Walk 5:00pm   Ed. Center
<b>SEPT 27</b> Chili Cookoff + Tours 11:00am- 2:00pm	<b>OCT 11</b> Migration Walk 11:30am- 12:30pm   Ed. Center
<b>NOV 01</b> E-Waste Collection 9:00am   Main Office Lot 2	<b>NOV 13</b> Sustainability Tour 5:00pm

<sup>1</sup> based on 2020 Census Data   <sup>2</sup> Organized by Wind Gap & Pen Argyl Borough & Hosted by WM

## SENATOR ROSEMARY BROWN

Pennsylvania's 40th District  
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## Honoring Our Fallen Firefighters in Monroe County

By Senator Rosemary Brown

Last weekend, I had the solemn privilege of attending the Monroe County Fireman Association's 30th Annual Memorial Service, a moving ceremony that honors the brave men and women in our fire service community who have passed away over the last year.

Each of these individuals leaves behind a legacy of courage, service, and selflessness. Their commitment to protecting our communities will never be forgotten.

Before the service, I had the honor of presenting the Association with a special citation of appreciation for their unwavering dedication to preserving this important tradition. For 30 years, they have provided a space for reflection, gratitude, and unity as we remember and celebrate the lives of our volunteer firefighters.

To the families, friends, and fellow service members—please know your loved ones' sacrifice and service continues to be deeply valued and respectfully remembered.



## Celebrating a New Eagle Scout

By Senator Rosemary Brown

This past weekend in Gilbert, I had the privilege of attending a very special ceremony to celebrate Jack Deemer's remarkable achievement of earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

Reaching Eagle Scout is no small feat. It requires years of dedication, leadership, service, and a strong commitment to community. Jack's accomplishment is a reflection of his hard work, character, and the support of those around him.

Congratulations, Jack, on this outstanding milestone! I'm confident your leadership and service will continue to benefit our community for years to come.

