

Nazareth Fall Festival

By Emily Sewilo

NAZARETH - The Nazareth Area Chamber, a proud partner of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber, is thrilled to be hosting the annual Nazareth Fall Festival, in partnership with Vigilance Hose Co. #1, on Saturday, October 17th, 2026, from 2 PM – 5 PM (Rain or Shine). Get ready for a day filled with fall-themed fun for everyone!

The festivities will kick off with the return of the Nazareth Halloween Parade presented by Vigilance Hose Co. #1 at 1 PM on Saturday, October 17th under the direction of Vigilance Hose Co. The Parade will start at Belvidere and Liberty Streets, travel west on Belvidere Street to Main Street. North on Main Street to the circle to East Center Street, ending at The Senior High School.

From 2 PM – 5 PM, the Nazareth Fall Festival will be in full swing on S. Main Street between Belvidere and Walnut Streets. With over 40 craft and artisan vendors, adult beverage and food vendors, musical performance from The Castaway Band from 2 PM- 4 PM, plus stein holding and ice cream holding competitions, pumpkin decorating, and more – there's something for the entire family!

Where: South Main Street in Nazareth, PA between Belvidere & Walnut Streets

Event Schedule:

1:00 PM: Nazareth Halloween Parade
 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM: Music by The Castaway Band
 4:15 PM - 4:25 PM: Men's Stein Holding Competition
 4:25 PM - 4:35 PM: Kid's Ice Cream Holding Competition
 4:35 PM - 4:45 PM: Women's Stein Holding Competition Co

Ice Cream Holding Competitions: Parents that would like to sign up their children (ages 6-12) can do so at The Chamber's Booth, located on S. Main St. near Emily's Ice Cream and the stage, the day of the event. The competition is \$5 to enter. The maximum number of competitors is 7. Prizes courtesy of Emily's Ice Cream!

Stein Holding Competitions: The Men's and Women's Stein Holding Competitions are back! Attendees will be able to sign up on the day of the event at The Chamber's Booth located on S. Main St. near Emily's Ice Cream and the bandshell. The winner of each competition will receive a Stein filled with beer as their prize courtesy of Birthright Brewing Co.! The competition is \$10 to enter. The maximum number of competitors is 11 per competition

\$303,000 In Community Conservation Grants to Lehigh Valley

By Tom Andrews

HARRISBURG – A park in Easton and wildlife preserve in Williams Township today were awarded \$303,000 in state grants to further develop and expand the recreation areas, according to Rep. Robert Freeman.

"We are fortunate in Northampton County to have numerous green spaces for residents to enjoy leisure activities. Today's announcement will improve those areas and provide additional opportunities so people can get outside and enjoy some fresh air," Freeman said.

A \$200,000 grant will allow for further development of Hackett Park in Easton. The work will include construction of a bike park and parking area, ADA access, landscaping, project sign and other related site improvements.

A \$103,000 grant will be used toward the purchase of approximately 5.19 acres in Williams Township for an addition to the Mariton Wildlife Preserve protecting interior forest habitat, passive recreation and open space.

The Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources approved the funding through the Community Conservation Partnerships Program.

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Directions & Parking: Parking available on the 3rd level of Markle Parking Deck, which is centrally located on campus. In addition, on-street parking is located along McCartney St, High Street, and Clinton Terrace. A campus map can be found at <https://campusmap.lafayette.edu/>

Each Voter Services event functions as a temporary extension of the Elections Office, allowing voters to:

Register to vote (deadline October 19)
 Apply for a mail-in or absentee ballot (deadline October 27)
 Receive and complete a ballot on demand
 Return their ballot securely on site or via the existing dropboxes (deadline November 3)

All ballots issued and returned through these events will be handled in the same manner as standard absentee and mail-in ballots and will not be opened or counted until Election Day, consistent with Pennsylvania law.

Events at each location will be staffed by the trained Elections Division personnel from the Elections Office. All ballot handling will follow existing chain-of-custody procedures, with a secure, locked, and continuously monitored mobile drop box, and with ballot collection coordinated with the Sheriff's Department.



Veterans Appreciation & Informational Luncheon

Hosted by:
Senator Rosemary M. Brown
 40th Senatorial District

Sunday, November 15, 2026 • 11:30 a.m.

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Join your fellow brothers and sisters in arms as we honor and support all veterans and families of the 40th Senate District.

Veterans, their spouses or a guest are invited to attend this appreciation event.

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<https://senatorbrown40.com/veteran-luncheon>
 or by calling 570-620-4326.

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