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Looking Back

by Phil Dente

There is nothing more frustrating than phone

messages at large firms.

These companies are so large, I guess the thinking is they don't need the business from just one small customer, so why not create an automatic answering system designed just to frustrate Joe Blow completely, as a little side humor, maybe?

After all, if someone is important enough, they would have their secretary call, and let him or her get the aggravation. *But, when the phone company itself does it, that's just wrong!*

As an example, the other day, I called to make a change in my service.

After dialing the number, my instructions were:
For Emergency, Police, Fire, or Ambulance Service, press 9 now.

I think if I wanted Police, Fire or Ambulance, dialing 911 is a lot easier than looking up the number for the phone company. And it's not like that isn't common knowledge.

For collect calling or credit card calls or to bill this call to another number, press 2.

To interrupt a busy line, press 3.

For directory assistance, press 4.

For repair, press 5.

For the business or credit office, press 6.

For all other services, please stay on the line.

Now, here's where it starts getting tricky.

As I'm waiting, another recording is heard... I think!

WHAGEN WKROIJEM MRJEISFHE JDHEGSB.

At least that's what I think

I heard, it was very muffled and twice as loud as the other messages.

Then, a nice, calming, woman's voice. "Would you like information on our high speed DSL line?"

"No, I answer, "I just want to talk to someone about my service."

"If so press 1."

"Would you also like to hear about how..."

It was about here I realized I was

conversing with a recording. Now, my phone is beeping because another call is coming in, so I hang up, let another ring come through and answer it. I was expecting a return call from a client and I didn't want to miss it.

It was a recording... "DID YOU KNOW, YOU CAN SAVE MON.."

That's all I heard before I slammed down the phone.

So, back to calling the phone company.

See above!

After the message... "For the business or credit office, press 6," my phone started beeping again.

Now, I'm torn.

I think I'm getting close to getting the connection I want so I figure I will stay on the line a second or two.

My phone beeps again.

I hear the message; "Would you like information on our high speed DSL line?"

"NO!" I shout. "ALL I WANT TO DO IS TALK TO SOMEONE ABOUT MY SERVICE!"

My phone beeps again.

I can't stand it.

I hang up, let it ring once more and answer it.

"Hey Fred, it's Louie." A man in a very deep raspy voice says.

Realizing I hung up my connection for a wrong number,

I kinda lost it.

"YOU KNUCKLEHEAD, THIS ISN'T FRED AND I DON'T KNOW ANY LOUIE!!!" I scream.

Oops, maybe I shouldn't have said that. Louie was suddenly threatening me with losing some fingers and ending up in a dump. I gently hung up the phone and prayed he wouldn't have access to my number, hoping that just misdialed.

After 5 more minutes, I figured I was safe and started calling the phone company again.

See above.

Blah blah blah press 6 blah blah.

'WHAGEN WKROIJEM MRJEISFHE JDHEGSB.'

This time the muffled message is so loud I have to hold the phone away from my ear.

Now came the message, "Would you like information on our high speed DSL line?"

Folks, I know it was a recording, but by now, I'm on the edge.

"NO, YOU KNUCKLEHEAD (I use this term a lot when I am tense), I JUST WANT TO BE CONNECTED TO TALK TO SOMEONE ABOUT MY SERVICE."

Meanwhile Patti walks into the room and says, "Wow, who were you yelling at? That was pretty harsh."

"Oh, it was just a recording," I answer.

Patti sometimes really gives me the strangest looks.

She gave me one then as she shook her head while leaving the room.

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Meanwhile, the phone keeps repeating its messages and I keep screaming an answer at every one of them.

Until a voice that seemed very concerned came on the phone and said, "Sir, are you all right?"

Ooops, I finally made a connection.

"Oh, uh, sorry maam. Er, ah, I was talking to my dog." I stammer.

"How can I help you?" She says in the most pleasant of tones. Now, either I was spent from unleashing my diatribe at the messages or maybe because of the fact that I was afraid this operator would disconnect me, I calmed down, explained my situation and my needs and was actually helped through the process of changing my service. But, during the process, the phone did beep again, but I chose not to answer it. Heck, it coulda been Louie!

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Travel Update:

Do NOT travel unless absolutely necessary during this COVID-19 Pandemic

• MANDATORY Airline Travel Restriction outside Continental USA: Hawaii & Alaska, Bahamas, Caribbean, Bermuda, Canada, Mexico

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NEIGHBORS

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Some of the items we accept:

- Furniture: Dressers, Nightstands, Tables and Chairs, etc
- Small Appliances: Toasters, Irons, Coffee Pots, Lamps
- Linens: Sheets, Blankets, Pillows and Towels
- Pots and Pans, Kitchen Utensils, Dishes etc.

Please ensure all donations are in good condition and working order. We will not accept torn or damaged furniture. We reserve the right to accept or refuse any item.

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The Village Scene

August Birthdays

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 Patrick Sopko
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 Mya Conti
 Megan Sheloski
 Gretchen Reisenwitz
 Gabriel Stirr
 Cayla Passmore
 Marge Smith
 Alexander Fornwald
 Carissa Gross
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 Jennie Bradford Shoesmith-Fox

August Anniversaries

Nathan and Megan Barrett
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John M. Frailey, 82, of Tannersville,
 died Tuesday, June 30; **Irene Martens**, of
 Mount Pocono, passed away Sunday July
 5, 2020; **Joyce Mae Keiper**, 87, of Pocono
 Township, died Saturday, July 4, 2020;
James Edward Hay, 76, of Tannersville,
 died Sunday, July 5, 2020; **Michael "Mike"**
Shannon, 68, of Swiftwater, died Thursday,
 July 9, 2020; **Judy C. Kuhenbeaker**, 56,
 of Tannersville, died Saturday, May 30,
 2020; **Lee Ernest Dukes** of Raleigh, NC,
 affectionately known as "Dice" or "Duke"
 passed away Monday, June 1, 2020 at the
 age of 77; **Cynthia "Pamela" Evans**, 79,
 formerly of Swiftwater, died Sunday, July
 12, 2020; **Constance T. Montgomery**, 82, of
 Cresco, died Monday, July 13, 2020; **Mary**
Kiess Davis, age 91, of Fort Myers, Florida,
 formerly of Mount Pocono, PA.; **Judy C.**
Kuhenbeaker, 56, of Tannersville, died
 Saturday, May 30, 2020; **Hilda Bailey**, 92, of
 Mount Pocono, died Tuesday, July 21, 2020;
Mary Villa Johnson, 77, of Mountainhome,
 died Monday, June 15, 2020,
Verna M. (Bender) Wagner, 94, of
 Mountainhome, died July 23, 2020; **Steven**
Dwayne Bonser, 59 of Cresco, PA passed
 away on July 2, 2020; **Joanne Christine**
Storer, 68, of Mountainhome, died Tuesday,
 August 4, 2020

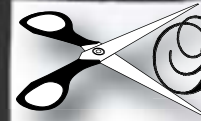
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Harrison Zeiler's Eagle Scout Court of Honor

Harrison Zeiler's Eagle Scout Court of Honor was held on July 25, 2020 at the location of his Eagle Project, The American Legion Post 922 in Mountainhome. Harrison organized scouts from Troop 89, of Barrett Township, to renovate the outdoor facilities at the local American Legion Post. Not only did he complete the indoor facilities and a new roof, but he organized and

completed a patriotic mural, and other decorations to make the project special for the veterans there.

The Court of Honor is the first since the Covid quarantine. Many members of Troop 89, the community, as well as dignitaries from the Legion, the Elks and Representative Rosemary Brown were in attendance.

This was a bright and happy community moment during a time of separation and fear.

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Life, Or Something Like It

by Judy Linder

I have my own little world, but it's okay – they know me there.

Author Unknown

On the pond outside of a nearby business, there is a duck decoy anchored in place that bobs up and down with the ripples of the water. It took me a while to catch on to the fact that it wasn't an actual bird. I spent weeks thinking that it just...well...really liked hanging out in that particular spot. (Obviously, I am no rocket scientist.)

When I asked about the decoy, I was told that it's part of a water circulation system, but I have no idea what the actual function of the bird might be. Today as I passed by, I watched two very real ducks paddle around the fake one and I started wondering what they must "make" of that thing.

Duck #1: Sidney, there he is again.

Duck #2: Good morning, sir. (To the decoy).

Duck #1: He didn't even look this way. I can't believe it!

Duck #2: Maybe he's shy, Louise. Not everyone is as forward as you are.

Duck #1: Don't start with me, Sidney. I know a slight when I see one and that piece of poultry is rude beyond words.

Duck #2: Louise, Louise, Louise. Calm down. There are plenty of other birds in this world to talk to. Look, there's a flock over there. Let's go visit.

Duck #1: You go. I have business to conduct with this obnoxious, thinks-he's-better-than-the-rest-of-us creature. If he thinks he's going to turn up his nose at me, he has another thing coming entirely!

Duck #2: See, Louise. This is why my blood pressure is high and my psychiatrist is getting so wealthy. Just let the poor duck alone and get on with your life.

Duck #1: (to the decoy) Hey you there! I'm talking to you. Look at me! Now! Stop right there. Don't think for a minute I'm putting up with a so-and-so like you turning your back on me. Where did you learn your manners, young man? When someone takes the time out of their very busy schedule to speak to you, you better pay attention. Hey! Are you listening to me?

Duck #2: I feel a migraine coming on. Louise, I can't take this. I'm outta of here. (flapping his wings and taking off...)

Duck #1: Sidney! Don't you DARE leave without me! Sidney! I mean it! (flapping her wings and also taking off) You are in SUCH TROUBLE, buster!

Decoy: I thought they would never leave...

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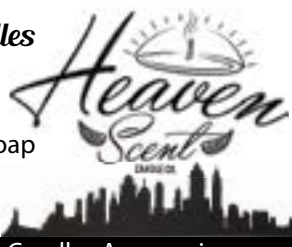
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GET OUTDOORS POCONOS HIKE SERIES

Find a family scavenger hunt at Cherry Valley refuge

By Carol Hillestad

For Brodhead Watershed Association

Note: The COVID-19 emergency canceled the planned Get Outdoors Poconos hike this month. So BWA offers instead a scavenger hunt at Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge, an adventure for children and their families. Outdoor recreation is allowed while being COVID-careful in Pennsylvania. Use common-sense measures. Hike with people you live with. Use a face covering if others are around, and practice physical distancing. Have a back-up hike in mind — if an area seems crowded, go to another trailhead.

Just over the hill from Stroudsburg lies a nature preserve along Cherry Creek, perfect for kids and their families to explore.

It was once a golf course, humming with mowers and golf carts. The grassy slopes were clipped short right to the creek. Rainwater runoff was laced with fertilizer and insecticides. Unshaded by a natural buffer of shrubs and plants and overloaded with chemicals, the creek was virtually lifeless.

Today, this part of Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge is a haven for birds, butterflies, bees and other pollinators. For children who enjoy the challenge of a scavenger hunt, there are worlds to discover!

Meadows of native wildflowers and grasses have replaced the flat green of the fairways. Wood turtles, bog turtles, rabbits, foxes, bears and bobcats thrive as their habitats return. Fish, aquatic plants, water striders and other bugs are also coming back. The water of Cherry Creek is healthy again.

“Nature does most of the work,” says Jared Green, refuge manager of CVNWR for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. “We humans help by cutting out the fertilizers and insecticides that hurt the creek. Then we just get out of the way.”

Jared and I are strolling the cart paths with Deb Schuler, head of the Friends of Cherry Valley. Deb says that humans also helped by seeding the fairways with native plants and grasses, and by placing boulders and logs in the creek. “Trout Unlimited volunteers did that work to create ripples and pools,” Deb says. “They aerate the water and give the fish places to hide and feed.”

Like all the water in our watershed, Cherry Creek flows to the Delaware River, on its way to provide drinking water for millions of people. Pure drinking water depends on the land around it, so restoring the creek banks to their natural, native state protects water quality.

Jared points to a pile of brush near the creek. “Doesn’t look like much,” he says, “but that’s a habitat, too. We left it there on purpose — meadow birds, small mammals like rabbits, and other creatures use it for cover and nesting.”

Sharp-eyed kids will find at least five distinct habitats— the sunny meadows, stream, and brush pile are three of them. Another is the small wetlands where native cattails grow, home to red-winged blackbirds, wetland plants, frogs, salamanders and turtles. Stretches of forest habitat provide a shady retreat along the creek and also line the upland boundaries of the old golf course, where you might see the opening of a groundhog burrow, coyote scat or white-tailed deer.

Humans have been coming to this place for 15,000 years. Evidence of many early peoples has been found here — Paleo Indians, early Woodland Indians, and the Lenni Lenape who lived and hunted here long before the first Europeans arrived.

What will your family find here when you visit? Fresh air, clean water, bird song and beautiful views, the fun and discovery of a scavenger hunt ... and maybe a store of happy summer memories, not on the list of scavenger clues: the “remember when” of years to come.

Carol Hillestad is a hike leader and writer for Get Outdoors Poconos, a grant-funded series administered by Brodhead Watershed Association.

SCAVENGER HUNT

The scavenger hunt is fun for adults and elementary-age children. Get clues, photos, video and information at brodheadwatershed.org/gopoconos. Take only pictures and leave only shadows!

· Special thanks to Barbara Case for the videography.

· Go to brodheadwatershed.org/gopoconos for information on Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge as well as other hikes in the Get Outdoors Poconos series. The series is administered by Brodhead Watershed Association and supported by a grant from the William Penn Foundation.

IF YOU GO: CHERRY VALLEY NATIONAL WILDLIFE PRESERVE

· Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge is off Cherry Valley Road south of Stroudsburg, Pa. Take Route 191 South past Stroudsmoor Country Inn. At the bottom of the hill, go left on Cherry Valley Road. At Croasdale Road, go right to parking for the refuge. GPS coordinates: 40.9710 -75.1714

· Trail information: A former golf course, cart-paths at the 193-acre preserve form two walking loops — the Front Nine and the Back Nine. Varied terrain, lots of views, and 3.4 miles of hiking. Trails are hard gravel and well-groomed, with switchbacks, steep hills, and a gazebo at the highest point. Maps in the kiosk near the parking area.

· Open to the public for hiking, birding, photography and contemplation. No picnicking, bikes, motorized vehicles, or dogs. Fishing is allowed in season with license. Creek wading is allowed for children, with responsible adult supervision, at your own risk.

· The refuge is owned, managed and patrolled by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service: fws.gov/refuge/cherry_valley/

· The Friends of Cherry Valley is an organization of dedicated local residents and conservationists working to protect the valley’s history, agricultural heritage and natural resources: friendsofcherryvalley.org.

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The covid virus has halted many events in our villages, so, we dug into the past and realized that it is now 65 years since the tragic flood of 1955. We ran to

Flood of August 1955

The flood of 1955 is still a vivid memory for Ivan Wicks of Canadensis. Ivan was part of an unofficial rescue operation that included Maurice Price, Bill Stewart and Harvey Clark along the banks of the Brodhead Creek on Thursday, August 18 and Friday, August 19.

"I noticed the creek was up pretty good on my way home from work in Stroudsburg on Thursday. When I got home I thought I'd better go down and check on Mary's grandmother who lived in Canadensis on Clarks Road in the first house on the right. (Mary Wicks is

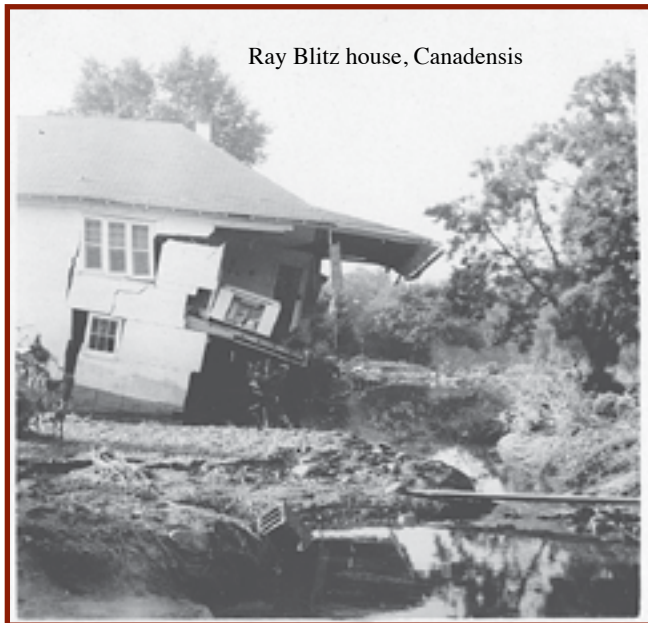
Ivan's former wife). Maurice wasn't able to come down 447 (Rt. 290 back then) so he went around up by Price Brothers to see if he could wade across Doug Price's field but there was too much water running through the field. The little stream that runs near the house was so high he couldn't get across. He tried but the current was too swift. We all stayed at Ruth Stewart's house until daylight. When we finally managed to reach Mary's grandmother's house we noticed right away that the little 20'x20' house was pretty shook up. The only reason the house was still standing was because two oak trees on the corners of the house

prevented the house from being washed right off its foundation.

Proceeding north on 447, we sighted a little girl of 10-12 years of age floating on a telephone pole. One of the most gruesome discoveries was a little boy all wrapped up in a barbwire fence. He was gone. That really shook me up. Harvey had a rope, which we threw over a branch and we used it to swing across the creek. Looking up, we were shocked to see the body of a man wedged in the fork of a tree. We retrieved a ladder from John Price's nearby farm and I believe Harvey climbed it. He was able to free the man so we tied his body to my Willy's jeep and transported him back to town. On the way back, I hit some bad road and the dead man's hand flew up and smacked me in the face." Ivan indicated that this scared the bejeezus right out of him!



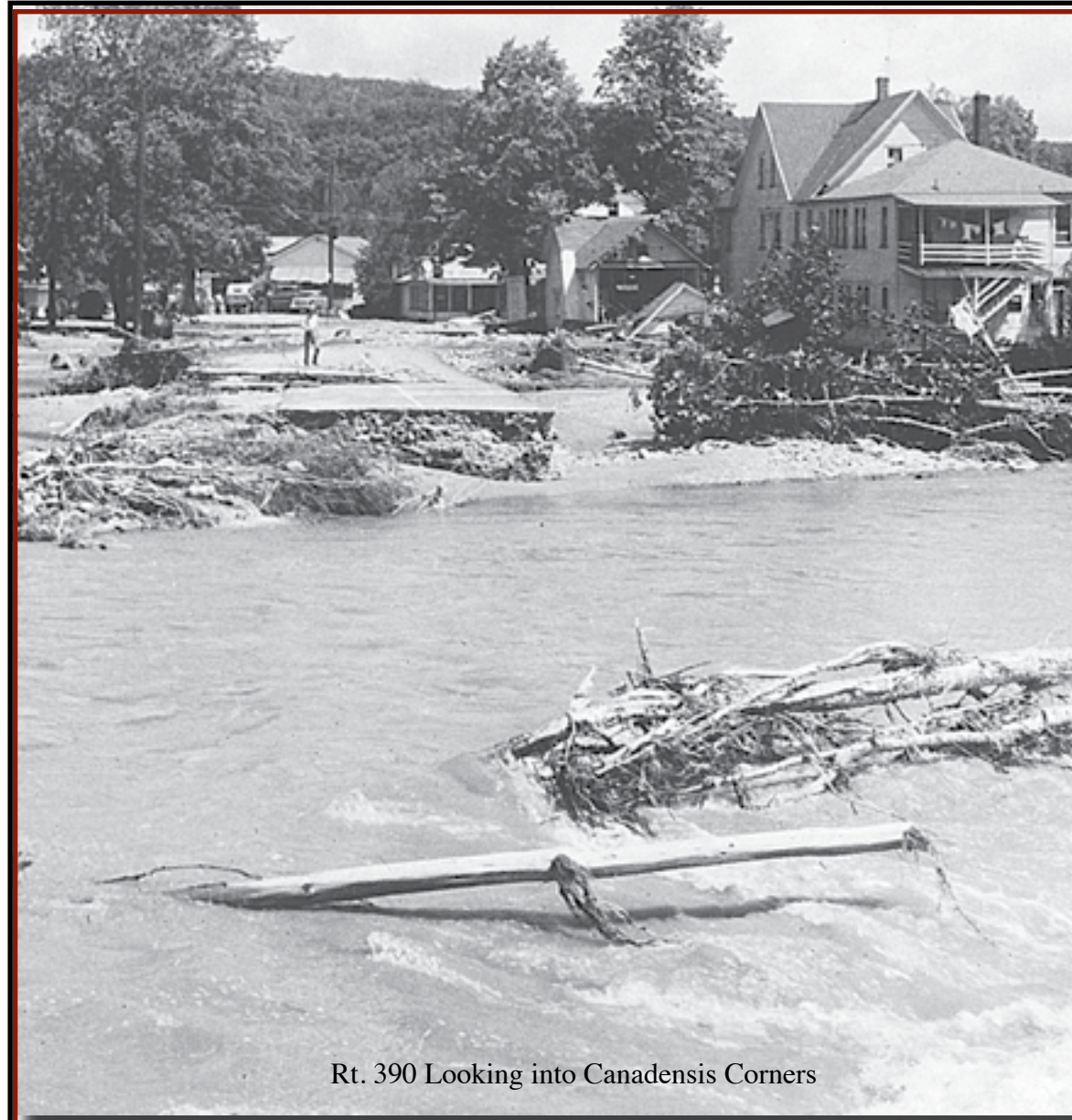
Bridge missing from Rt. 390 Canadensis Towards Skytop



Ray Blitz house, Canadensis



Rt. 447, Canadensis



Rt. 390 Looking into Canadensis Corners

He also remembered the destruction at Lloyd LaBar's building. It was a huge structure located behind the old Canadensis Post Office where Lloyd stored heavy. The flood wiped out the entire building and its contents. He said, *"There was nothing left. Bill Bloss and I walked south along the creek past Minnie Edwards' house, but there was no sign of any equipment. That made me realize how swift the current must have been to carry off that machinery."*

This is just one man's horrific recollection of the '55 flood. Thousands of people can relate to Ivan and his fellow rescuers and what they faced during this catastrophic event. They all rose to the challenge. Seventy-eight people died and 42 bridges were destroyed in the area's worst disaster in history.

Ivan Wicks Remembers...

by Patricia Dente



Ivan Wicks



Cart Bridge at Buck Hill Golf Course



Rt. 390 Looking up from Canadensis



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A Virtual Tour of Skytop's Indian Ladder Falls

By Carol Hillestad

For Brodhead Watershed Association

"An elm tree? In the wild? You're kidding!"

The tree in front of me didn't look much like the regal, arching trees that once lined main streets across America. But naturalist Rick Koval assured me that, yes, this tree along a Skytop trail was an elm.

"It's here because it's alone," Rick said. "Isolation saved it from the fungus that has killed elms by the millions."

Rick is leading me on a hike that would have been part of the annual Ramble organized by Brodhead Watershed Association. The yearly creek tour puts pure, safe drinking water front and center, as people "ramble" along some of our area's pristine creeks and streams. The pandemic changed those plans for 2020, and the event has been rescheduled for next year. Normally off limits to all but guests of Skytop Lodge, several of the private trails at Skytop will be open to Ramble participants in 2021. (You can take today's hike virtually at brodheadwatershed.org/ramble/.)



Rick and I are headed toward Indian Ladder Falls, on a wide path that has taken us through a cool grove of tall white pine trees, a soft cushion of needles underfoot. The piney smell of the air rewards your every breath. The Leavitt Branch sparkles and burbles along the path as Rick shares his incredibly deep knowledge of the natural world.

Near the elm, Rick points to a freestanding fungus, a giant oak polypore, which he says will grow to four feet if left undisturbed. We've already seen dozens of ganoderma tsguae, another polypore fungus, growing from downed, decaying hemlocks. Its common name is hemlock varnish shelf. When you see its shiny mahogany finish, you'll know why.

A tiny orchid, some of the largest rhododendrons in Pennsylvania, a state-listed champion mountain maple tree, a rare native plant called white twisted stalk, and striped maples are some of the other plant wonders we've seen. We've passed a porcupine den and 400,000-year-old boulders, and now the rock walls are rising around us, a narrow box canyon filled with the sound of falling water.

Indian Ladder Falls has been a destination for humans since long before Europeans arrived on this continent. Rick has found artifacts nearby of Lenni-Lenape and other Woodland Indians. Three tiers high, the falls cascade to a rock pool and into the Leavitt Branch, headed toward Brodhead Creek and the Delaware River.

Like almost all of the creeks that are the headwaters of the Brodhead, the Leavitt Branch rises in swampy wetlands and bogs high on the Pocono Plateau. The sponge-like, "hydric" soils and water-loving plants of the wetlands regulate water naturally and keep it pure, and also protect against flooding, while feeding the seeps and springs that create beautiful trout streams like this one.

As Skytop's professional naturalist, Rick has other things to do with his day — hikes are planned for guests of the lodge, and he has work to do in the butterfly house. Leaving this cool, magic place of rushing water isn't easy. But I hope to be back a year from now on the Ramble, and I hope to see you there.

Carol Hillestad is a hike leader and outreach specialist for Brodhead Watershed Association.

VIRTUAL HIKE TO INDIAN LADDER FALLS

A video "virtual hike" to Skytop's jewel, Indian Ladder Falls, is available at brodheadwatershed.org/ramble/

Naturalist Rick Koval and BWA's hike leader, Carol Hillestad, are your guides for this virtual visit to the falls. Thanks to Skytop Lodge and Tom Gregory of Pocono Mountain Visitors Bureau for making this possible.

For information about hikes in the free Get Outdoors Poconos series, go to brodheadwatershed.org/gopoconos. The hike series is administered by Brodhead Watershed Association and supported by a grant from the William Penn Foundation.

2021 RAMBLE AT SKYTOP

Every year the public is invited to visit some of the most beautiful creeks and waterfalls in the Poconos during Brodhead Watershed Association's annual "Ramble."

For 2020, BWA partnered with Skytop Lodge for the event, scheduled for early August. Because of the pandemic, the event has been postponed until summer 2021. Mark your calendar, and plan to join us in person as we explore Skytop's natural beauty along the Leavitt Branch of Brodhead Creek.

Please be responsible: Skytop land is private and patrolled, and trespassing is illegal.

The Greene-Dreher Alumni Association (GDAA) announces the presentation of over \$17,000 in college scholarships to 2020 high school graduates residing in these townships.

Recipients, the amount, and the particular scholarship(s) were as follows:

Kara Campbell \$1000 Ladies of Paupack Rebekah Lodge #559 Scholarship; **Claudia Cheslock** \$1000 GDAA Scholarship; **Rebecca Cykosky** \$1000 Thomas A Berger Honorary Scholarship; **Alex Davies** \$500 John Hazelton Memorial Scholarship and \$500 GDAA Scholarship; **Elizabeth Desmet** \$1000 GDAA Scholarship; **Gavin Hearn** \$1000 GDAA Scholarship; **Madison Henwood** \$500 Gross Family Scholarship and \$500 GDAA Scholarship; **Anthony Ioppolo** \$1000 GDAA Scholarship; **Savannah Kier** \$5000 Helen Pradon Crocker Memorial Scholarship; **Skyler Navratil** \$540 Jan Smith Burke Memorial Scholarship and \$500 Robert & Virginia Baughan Memorial Scholarship; **Emily Peet** \$1000 Pearl Blitz Smith Memorial Scholarship; **Izaiah Santiago** \$1000 GDAA Scholarship; and **Jacob Tirjan** \$1000 GDAA Scholarship.

All graduating seniors residing in Greene or Dreher Townships are eligible for scholarships. Applications for 2021 monies will be available after March 1, 2021 through either the school guidance counselor, or by contacting the Scholarship Committee at PO Box 171, Newfoundland, PA 18445 or by email at gdaalumniassoc@yahoo.com.

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The following individuals waived their rights to a preliminary hearing:

- **Moses Enrique Lugo**, 21, of New York, New York, charged with burglary, theft of property, and receiving stolen property.
- **Jillian Rogers**, 20, of Mount Pocono, charged with 2 counts of simple assault, 2 counts of harassment, and disorderly conduct.
- **Eugene Lamont Gaston**, 54, of East Stroudsburg, charged with simple assault, and harassment.
- **Joshua Antonio Cortes**, 22, of Walnutport, charged with possession of marijuana, and use/possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **Daniella G. Torres**, 22, of Brick, NJ, charged with possession of marijuana, use/possession of drug paraphernalia, and 2 counts of traffic violations.

The following individuals entered a guilty plea:

- **Francis C. Odita**, 25, of Henryville, charged with use of marijuana, and use/possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **Deroncera Saint-Preux**, 49, of Hillside, NJ, charged with 2 counts of traffic violations.

Handwashing Tips For People With Eczema And Other Skin Condi- tions

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If you are one of the 31.6 million people in the United States living with some form of eczema, continual handwashing and sanitizing to avoid spreading illness this season might be a source of added stress and anxiety, as this can dry out your skin and cause eczema to flare. Sticking to a three-step routine can help - wash, dry, moisturize.

"Regular handwashing is important to remove dirt or soil and potentially contagious germs from your skin. For patients with eczema, it's particularly important that they take care of their skin to not only maintain good skin hygiene, but to maintain control of their disease and avoid factors that may exacerbate their condition," says Mark Levenberg, DO, FAAD who is a board-certified Dermatologist and Senior Medical Director, U.S. Medical Affairs, at Pfizer Inc.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), regular handwashing is one of the most effective ways people can keep from getting sick - and to help protect others from viruses such as COVID-19. But for those with eczema, hands may become irritated when washed too vigorously, dried too harshly or not moisturized properly, and potentially exacerbate or trigger a flare, says Dr. Levenberg. That's why it's important to stick with a handwashing routine that will keep hands as clean and healthy as possible.

Dr. Chudy Nduaka knows about this firsthand. Dr. Nduaka, who is Dermatology Team Leader, North America Medical Affairs at Pfizer Inc., has a 10-year-old daughter

with eczema. Ever since she was little, she's been instructed to care for her hands by washing, drying and moisturizing frequently, he says.

"Even before COVID-19, we had a rule that as soon as you walk into the house from school or from playing, you go straight to the bathroom and wash your hands and then use moisturizer," he says. "I always make sure to remind my daughter to use moisturizer after every hand-wash."

Because she's so accustomed to the routine to care for her skin, Dr. Nduaka's not worried about his daughter's eczema right now, and neither is she. "She's doing OK," he says.

Dr. Levenberg shared the following advice for people with eczema on how to help keep their hands clean and healthy.

Use the right kind of cleanser
People with eczema or other skin conditions should consider use of a gentle cleanser, which comes in bar and liquid form, says Dr. Levenberg. "Try to avoid certain ingredients, harsh detergents or fragrance," he says. "Those can potentially irritate the skin, and these patients may be more susceptible to not only irritation, but an allergy from it as well." He also recommends washing hands with lukewarm water, rather than hot or cold, to avoid further irritation.

Dry but don't over-dry
Drying after every handwashing is important, because, according to the CDC, germs can transfer more easily to and from wet hands than from dry. Dr. Levenberg recommends people with skin conditions gently pat their hands dry using a clean towel, disposable paper towel, or air dry if available. He says, "It's important to try not to over-dry your hands and make sure not to rub your hands vigorously with a paper or cloth towel in a

harsh way that may traumatize the skin."

Always moisturize
After light drying, immediately apply a moisturizer. Dr. Levenberg recommends products such as ointment or cream, which tend to be thicker and have better moisturizing properties. "Ointments and creams tend to be a little bit heavier than, for example, a lotion and may do a slightly better job to soften and seal in moisture in the skin," he says.

Carry your own hand products with you

People with eczema and other skin conditions may benefit from carrying travel-size versions of their cleanser and moisturizer with them when they leave the house, says Dr. Levenberg. That way, they can stick to the same routine with products they and their skin are accustomed to.

However, he adds, when that's not an option, it's OK to use products that are generally available at that time. "If faced with the choice of not washing your hands because you don't have your personal cleanser with you or washing them with a suitable cleanser available at that moment, you should go ahead and wash your hands," he says. "You err on the side of caution and you do what's best for yourself and for public health."

Washing your hands frequently and correctly is always important. And right now, as people try and stop the spread of COVID-19, Dr. Levenberg says keeping your hands healthy is critical for overall health. "It may lower your risk for infection personally or spread of infection to others, and in general, when washing appropriately, allows you to try and maintain healthy skin barrier function," says Dr. Levenberg.

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 7/22 - 3:11pm - 8 men - 2 trucks - vehicle fire - Brookside Lane.
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Scavello Introduces Property Tax Relief Legislation for Seniors

HARRISBURG – Senator Mario Scavello (R-40) has introduced legislation that would provide much needed school property tax relief for senior citizens across the Commonwealth.

"Property taxes continue to rise at an alarming rate and senior citizens are among our most vulnerable populations, given that they are on fixed incomes," Scavello said. "As has been said before, no tax should have the power to leave you homeless and no citizen should be forced to choose between paying for food, medicine or their school property tax bill."

Senate Bill 1262 and Senate Bill 1263 would provide for a property tax rebate of up to \$5,000 for all seniors age 65 and older who have an annual household income of less than \$60,000. (Fifty percent of Social Security benefits are excluded when determining income.) The legislation would eliminate property taxes for the majority of senior across the commonwealth.

Senator Scavello has introduced many legislative measures over his career in both the House and Senate. Most recently, he introduced Senate Bill 805 to provide the revenue necessary to eliminate school property taxes on owner-occupied homes via the homestead exclusion. This legislation followed the Constitutional Amendment question passed by voters in 2017 expanding the homestead exclusion to 100 percent of a home's assessed value.

He has also co-sponsored legislation that would eliminate school property taxes entirely.

"This is not the final solution to the property tax problem that has inflicted years of escalating home foreclosures and rising tax bills on Pennsylvania citizens, but it is progress that is within reach to help the most vulnerable," Scavello said.

Office of Rosemary Brown

Constituent, Steve Ertle, and Others Testify at Hearing on Wolf Administration's Restaurant Restrictions

The House Majority Policy Committee hosted a hearing this Tuesday to discuss Pennsylvania's restaurant industry and the current restrictions. It was extremely informative to hear the insightful feedback from restaurant/tavern owners and other industry experts. I was also pleased to have a Pocono local and industry professional, Steve Ertle, to testify on behalf of, not only his experience, but for our entire region.

Owners of the state's restaurants, bars and taverns told members of the House Majority Policy Committee Tuesday the industry cannot survive the administration's restrictions and provided guidance on how they can operate safely and effectively.

On July 15, the governor and Department of Health Secretary Dr. Rachel Levine issued a statewide order that required restaurants, bars and taverns to reduce their operations to just 25% capacity for indoor dining, while any bars or nightclubs that only serve alcoholic beverages and no food had to close completely. Restaurants are not permitted to use bar seating and drinks can only be served when customers also purchase a meal. The administration even went so far to define what constitutes a meal.

The four-hour hearing featured testimony from business owners and advocates from the PA Restaurant and Lodging Association, the PA Licensed Beverage and Tavern Association, and the PA Federation of Fraternal and Social Organizations. It was clear that owners want to do what is right but can do it in a way that promotes social distancing, borders and do less harm to their businesses.

Constituent and Monroe County local, Steve Ertle, gave the committee a snapshot of what Pocono businesses have been dealing with and the frustrations of trying to keep up with the ever-changing restrictions from the governor. His powerful testimony really illustrates how the Pocono Promise and dedication of our local businesses and restaurants have helped keep our case numbers low and maintain a healthy and safe environment for patrons and employees.

In addition to outlining negative impacts the orders have had on their businesses, several testifiers also offered suggestions to try to help the industry through the pandemic.

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The Friendly Community Center hopes that everyone stays in good health and looks forward to continuing great programs to help everyone stay healthy, keep fit & have fun!

Reopening The FCC

Keeping our members and our community safe is the number one priority of The FCC Board during this uncertain time. The opening of The FCC will not be determined by what phase our county is in but rather with discussion between our Board members, input from our members, and recommendations from the PA Department of Health. The Board has been reevaluating constantly about when to reopen the building. The FCC already has plans in place for disinfecting and other procedures to keep everyone safe. Once the building is open, online classes will still occur until the majority of our membership is ready to physically attend classes at The Friendly Community Center. Currently The FCC building is closed but is offering classes online and at outdoor venues. If you are interested in joining any of our online classes or have questions, please contact Nicole at info@thefriendlycommunitycenter.org or call and leave a message at 570-481-4330.

Thank you for your support during this time.

CURRENT CLASSES BEING OFFERED ONLINE BARRE FIT

Tone, sculpt and strengthen your entire body with isometric movements and light weights during a low impact workout. Modifications can be made to accommodate your individual fitness needs. Barre is performed barefoot or with grip socks and a yoga mat.

Time: Thursdays from 4 -5 PM
Instructor: Ashley Meinking, IBBFA Certified

Membership: Unlimited or Unlimited Quarterly

CHAIR YOGA

Enjoy all of the benefits of yoga with the support of a chair. Learn common chair yoga poses and breathing techniques while increasing strength and flexibility.

Time: Mondays 2-3 PM
Instructor: Kimberly Matthew
Membership: Member Plus

SEATED DANCE TO THE BEAT (Formerly CHAIR ZUMBA)

An aerobic form of exercise based on different forms of dance in a seated position. This seated exercise is ideal for people with balance, hip and knee issues, but all levels are welcome to attend.

Time: Tuesdays from 3 – 4 PM
Instructor: Natalie Schultz-Kahwaty, PhD

Membership: Member Plus

CREATE & CHAT

Do you enjoy art or have projects that need to be completed? Join in and create with us using the medium of your choice. A weekly inspiration photo is provided, or you can work on an existing project while chatting in an online setting.

Time: Thursdays at 10:30 AM

Membership: Basic

LINE DANCING

Dance to new and classic music while having fun and getting fit!

Time: Thursdays at 12:45PM

Instructors: Carlisle Nostrame & Barbara Camlet

Membership: Member Plus

MEN GET FIT

Men, this class is just for you! Workout to timed interval training. This program for men of all fitness levels incorporates balance, flexibility, and strength to interval timing.

Time: Wednesdays at 11AM
Instructor: Bob Larsen NASM,

C-PT, CES, PES, ENFA BTS

Membership: Unlimited or Unlimited Quarterly

YOGA

Learn common poses and breathing techniques in a relaxing atmosphere while increasing strength and flexibility. Yoga mat is suggested.

Time: Tuesdays from 10 – 11 AM

Instructor: Colleen LaScala, CPT RYT

Membership: Unlimited or Unlimited Quarterly

DANCE TO THE BEAT (Formerly ZUMBA)

An aerobic form of exercise based on different forms of dance. Have fun while working out to various genres of music and dance. Exercise can be modified to suit your fitness level.

Time: Tuesdays from 3-4:00 PM

Instructor: Natalie Schultz-Kahwaty, PhD

Membership: Unlimited or Unlimited Quarterly

CURRENT PROGRAMS BEING OFFERED AT LOCAL OUTDOOR VENUES

BARRETT BIRDING CLUB

If you enjoy birds, join Darryl & Jackie Speicher of Pocono Avian Research Center for monthly

meetings of the BBC at The FCC. Meetings will include informational programs, discussion of birds, and seasonal birding opportunities including walks and other birding activities throughout the year.

Time: 2nd Tuesday of the month 7 PM-Outdoor locations announced via email

Facilitators: Darryl & Jackie

Speicher and Tim Grover

Membership: Basic

QI GONG in the Park

This Chinese-based moving meditation improves balance and mental focus while gently lubricating your joints. Each movement simulates beautiful elements in nature. Movements can be modified for those who need to be seated.

Weather cancellations made the night before via website and email.

Time: Thursdays from 9 – 9:45 AM at Skywood Park-Special locations to be announced

Instructor: Kimberly Matthew

Membership: Member Plus

WEEKLY WALKERS- Do you enjoy walking? Join a weekly group to hike our many local hiking trails. Most hikes are easy to moderate difficulty.

NEW-Date/Time: FRIDAYS at 9AM. Meet at the Mountainhome United Methodist Church Parking Lot and drive to hiking destination.

Membership: Basic
Destinations for the next hike are discussed at each hike and emailed out weekly.

The group practices social distancing while hiking.

The FCC offers something for everyone at all member levels. For more information on how to become a member, call Nicole Abrams at 570-481-4330 or email info@thefriendlycommunitycenter.org. For a full listing of programs, visit The FCC's website www.thefriendlycommunitycenter.org.

Join our mailing list to get a weekly email sent directly to your inbox chock full of information about The FCC's programs and helpful links to our many community partners.

THE FLAMINGOS ARE STILL HERE!

THE FCC FRIENDLY FLAMINGO FLOCKING FUNDRAISER

What is "flocking?" A way to raise money creatively as a nonprofit and inspire fun among our neighbors. You can "flock" a friend as part of a "FUNdraising" event to benefit The Friendly Community Center's programs and operations. Flocks can

be seen all over town! To spread a little joy and make the flock migrate to another yard, simply donate \$5 - \$500 to The FCC or fly higher and donate even more! Our flock managers will then come and rehome our friendly flamingos to the home or business of your choice. Please visit our website for more information or send an email to info@thefriendlycommunitycenter.org to participate.

The Friendly Community Center was founded in 2010 as a Nonprofit community center without walls through a grassroots effort of volunteers who saw a need to bring engaging programs and valuable services closer to aging populations in the mountain villages of the Poconos. Beginning with just a few arts and wellness activities offered at various locations throughout the area, volunteers quickly saw the need to have a "home" and a director to coordinate the many programs they dreamed of offering. Renovations were completed on a historic building in Barre Town Township in 2013, and The FCC has been operating from this location ever since. People come from the townships of Barre, Paradise, Dreher, Pocono, Price, Tobyhanna, Coolbaugh, and beyond to participate in the Center's innovative programs.



Congratulations to Dylan Hannig, our 2020 Rotary Club of the Pocono Mountains scholarship winner for \$2,500. Dylan will be attending Virginia Tech. Being socially aware, Pictured from left to right 1st row, Christine Hannig, mom, Dylan Hannig, Don Hannig, dad, Andrew Hannig, brother. Second row, Rotarians: Dominick Iacuzio, Janet Ferraro, Annie Messina, Ashley Rully, Jen Reich and Peter Pipolo. We wish him the Best of Luck.



Library Letters

By MaryAnn Lewis

Dear Friends and Neighbors, We may be

in the lazy, hazy days of summer, but that certainly doesn't describe what it's like inside the Library!

We keep very busy getting all of the new books, audiobooks, and DVDs ready to circulate, creating virtual programs for all ages, taking care of our popular curbside pickup service, and welcoming patrons into the Library to use computers and browse the shelves for books and other materials! We love seeing both old and new friends in the Library even if it's in a more limited capacity than before COVID-19 turned everything we do on its head.

Schedule an appointment to come into the Library to get books, DVDs, and other materials! Computer & copier use by appointment is also available. Scheduled appointments allow us to balance the number of people in the building and give us time to clean between sessions. As with all of our new and different ways of providing service, we'll make adjustments as we go along as we figure out what works best. For now, here's how it all works:

Call the Library to request an appointment to browse books & materials or to use a computer or the copier: 570-595-7171. Please call during the times listed below. Sorry, we can't take requests through Facebook or email.

Sessions are limited to 1 hour. Come to the back entrance of the library at your designated time and staff will let you into the building. Face masks must be worn at all times.

We will provide you with disposable gloves to wear if browsing the collection.

Social distance of 6 feet must be maintained.

The children's play area is closed. If you have a fever or are not feeling well, please postpone your visit and reschedule when you are feeling better.

Call the Library during these times to make an appointment:

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 10am - 5pm
Wed: 10am - 7pm

Sat: 10am - 2pm

The following time blocks are available to browse the collection or use computers, wifi, and copier:

Monday - Friday

10am-11am

11:15am-12:15pm

12:30pm-1:30pm

1:45pm-2:45pm

3pm-4pm

Wednesday

Same as above plus 4:15pm-5:15pm and 5:30pm-6:30pm

Saturday

10am-11am

11:15am-12:15pm

12:30pm-1:30pm

We will continue to provide

Curbside Pickup Service. Just call

the library (570-595-7171) and let

us know which books, audiobooks,

magazines, and DVDs you want.

We'll arrange a time for you to come

to the library and deliver them right

to your car. Not sure what you want?

Browse our online catalog (www.

barrettlibrary.org) or let us know

what you like and we'll make some

suggestions. All of the details about

curbside pickup are available on our

website, or just call and ask. Staff

are available Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri

10am-5pm; Wed 10am-7pm; Sat

10am-2pm.

You can return your materials to

the dropbox near the back entrance

of the library anytime. Please

call to renew if needed. Materials

that are returned to the library are

quarantined and cleaned before

going back into circulation.

****Please note that we CANNOT**

accept used book or DVD donations

until further notice**

Need a library card? Once our new

website is up and running, look for

the library card sign up link to get a

temporary card number that can be

used for e-resources like Hoopla.

You can also call the library to

register for a card. If you already

have a library card and can't access

Hoopla, it's possible that your card

has expired. Please call or email the

Library (brfpubli@ptd.net) with your

name and library card number and

we'll renew your card.

Special summer programming

continues! Chelsea, Jennifer, and

Lynn have some wonderful virtual

programs and take-home crafts

& projects for you to enjoy this

month. Look for Imagine Your Story

details below for children and a fun

assortment for adults! **On August 21**

we have an exciting Zoom program

for kids through our partnership

with the Pocono Mountains Music

Festival: The Three Bears--Read

the Story, Dance the Story, Art the

Story!

Virtual Programs for Children &

Families: All programs take place

on Facebook unless otherwise noted

(www.facebook.com/BPFLibrary).

We are not providing any in-person

programs at the Library at this time.

Imagine Your Story Summer Learning Quest

This summer, the Library has a different type of Summer Learning Quest than we have had in the

past. You could say that we are

re-imagining our story! Each week

includes a story time (ages 0-5),

a S.T.E.A.M. challenge for any

age, and an interactive program for

children ages 6-11. The programs are

a mix of book clubs, STEM projects,

craft projects, etc. Projects are

designed to use materials you already

have at home. Call the library (570-

595-7171) or visit our web page to

register and get all the information

about programs.

8/10-8/15 -- S.T.E.A.M. Challenge:

Make a candy constellation. Use

candy (marshmallows work best) and

toothpicks to recreate a constellation.

Share a picture to our Facebook page

or email it to chelseabpfl@gmail.

com. If you do not have toothpicks

or marshmallows at home, we have

plenty to share! Call the library to

schedule a pick-up time using our

curbside service.

8/11 11am -- Starry Night Story

Time. Miss Jennifer and Miss

Chelsea will be sharing books,

songs, and crafts that celebrate the

night sky and the stories that it has

inspired. The video will be posted on

our Facebook page. These books and

crafts will be available for curbside

pick-up. Please call to request items

and schedule a pick-up time. Ages

0-5

8/13 11am -- Constellation Paint-

Along. Head over to our Facebook

page for a video tutorial for a fun

S.T.E.A.M. project. We will use

LED lights and paint to create a

constellation. A limited number of

supplies will be available for

curbside pick-up. Please call for

details. Ages 6-11

8/21 11am on Zoom -- Virtual

Bingo Party. When you have met

the requirements for a ticket by

tracking your summer learning

progress, let us know and we will

email you a link to play Bingo for

prizes!

8/21 11am on Zoom -- The Three

Bears: Read the Story, Dance

the Story, Art the Story. Veteran

Broadway dancer Conny Andres

has crafted an exciting virtual dance

class especially for her friends in the

Poconos. Watch with us as Conny

reads the story of the three bears and

then leads us through movement

activities that will allow us to retell

the story. Then, Pam Burke, an art

teacher from New Jersey, will lead

us through a special art experience.

Please call or message us on

Facebook with your email address

to get the Zoom link. This program

is presented through the Pocono

Mountains Music Festival.

Be sure to check our website (www.barrettlibrary.org) and our Facebook page (facebook.com/BPFLibrary) for additional program information.

Adult Virtual Programs: All programs take place on Facebook unless otherwise noted (www.facebook.com/BPFLibrary). We are not providing any in-person programs at the Library at this time.

August 13th Writing Group: Zoom @ 6:30 pm.

We invite all writers to our virtual writing group! During this meeting, we'll discuss the 1000-word stories, which focused on world building, written by those who came to the last meeting. Then we'll talk about dialogue, which will be the focus of the "writing assignment" for the next meeting. All are welcome to join! Please contact the library via Facebook messenger or by phone (570-595-7171) with your email address so we can send you the Zoom link.

August 17th- 21st Photography Challenge

August 19th is Photography Day!

We'll celebrate with a whole week of photography challenges. Starting Monday, August 17th, we will post a different theme each day on Facebook. Add your photos to the comments section below each post. Let's get creative!

August 18th Bad Poetry Day

Today we celebrate bad poetry day!

Let's make it fun by making up our

own bad poetry. Give us the silliest

poem you can think up and put it in

the comments for everyone to enjoy.

August 19th Try a New Recipe:

Mofongo

Let's try something new! We'll be

making the popular Puerto Rican

dish mofongo. We'll post a tutorial

on our Facebook page at 3:00 pm.

If you're interested in making it at

home, just call the library to schedule

a time to pick up a printed recipe or

check out the Facebook tutorial with

the recipe added to the comments.

August 24th Time Capsule

It goes without saying that 2020 has

been a bizarre year for everyone!

Let's commemorate the strangest

year in recent history with a time

capsule. We'll supply the materials

for the container, and you supply the

contents of the container. If you'd

like to make a time capsule, just

call the library or message us on

Facebook to schedule a time for pick

up. We'll also add a few suggestions

to get you started.

August 25th Virtual Evening Book

Club: Zoom @ 7:00 pm

We're restarting our book clubs on

Zoom! This month we will read and

discuss Lilac Girls by Martha Hall

Kelly. If you're interested in joining,

please call the library for more

information.

August 26th National Women's Equality Day

Let's celebrate the power of women today with a collage of inspiring women who helped pave the way for all of us. We will show you women who inspire us on Facebook, and we'd love for all of you to show us the women who inspire you in the comments.

August 26th International Dog Day

Let's give our fur babies the appreciation they deserve with pictures of your dog for everyone to see on Facebook! Post your puppy's picture in the comment section.

August 28th Virtual Trivia Night: Zoom @ 7:00 pm

Join us on Zoom for another night of Trivia! You can compete as individuals or as a family. We'll play three rounds, answering questions about a myriad of topics from pop culture to history. To join the fun, call the library, 570-595-7171, or message us on Facebook with your email address and we'll send you the link to the party. We hope to see you there!

September 6th Read a Book Day

Let's celebrate books today by showing us on Facebook what you're reading. Give a quick review by telling us what you think of the book and if you'd recommend it. No spoilers, please!

September 10th Writing Group: Zoom @ 6:30 pm

We invite all writers to our virtual writing group! During this meeting, we'll discuss the 1000-word stories that were written by those who came to the last meeting. Then we'll talk about another writing topic, and our "writing assignment" for the next meeting will focus on the topic the group decides on. All are welcome to join! Please contact the library via Facebook messenger or by phone (570-595-7171) with your email address so we can send you the Zoom link.

Below are a few of the online resources available through the library. Take advantage of technology! In addition to the items below, visit our website to browse the online resource lists compiled by library staff for adults and children, and explore even more e-resources. We're still in the process of a major website overhaul! Sometime soon (if not already), you'll find a fresh, mobile-friendly site with a brand new look! www.barrettlibrary.org.

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Go to www.hoopladigital.com. Click on "Get Started Today," located at the upper middle of the page to set up your account.

Follow the prompts to register. After registering, download app onto your smart device and log in with new account information (You can also set up an account through the app).

OverDrive eBooks: Download and enjoy e-books on your computer or portable device. The collection includes fiction and nonfiction e-books for all ages. On the library's homepage (www.barrettlibrary.org), scroll down and click on the OverDrive graphic; this will take you to the Easton Library District Overdrive page. Search for titles or browse the collections. Click "Borrow" on a title, then select Barrett Paradise Friendly Library from the drop-down menu. Then enter your library card number (P_ _ _ _ _) and your PIN (same PIN you use for our online catalog). Next, select Download (choose format) or Read (in your browser) and follow the prompts.

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Any resident of Pennsylvania can get a library card from the Free Library of Philadelphia! With your new library card number, you can access their many digital media platforms. To get your library card, go to <https://catalog.freelibrary.org/MyResearch/register>. Click "Online" under "How to get a card?" and follow the instructions. Then browse all the digital media databases Free Library of Philadelphia has to offer! There are tens of thousands ebooks, audiobooks, and more!

I just started reading Lilac Girls, by Martha Hall Kelly, the August Evening Book Club selection. Based on real life events, the stories of three very different women intersect during World War II revealing the horrors of the time and the quest for love and redemption. I love compelling historical fiction that fully pulls you into another time and place. So far, this novel doesn't disappoint. May you find stories, real or imagined, that take you away to different worlds for a while, too.

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Gnus of the Day



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Bandstand was B.B King.
6. 1753 - Monday
Professor Georg Richmann
was rendered kaput during

an experiment with lightning. Richmann attached a wire to the top of his house and led it down to an iron bar suspended above "the electric needle" and a bowl of water partly filled with iron filings. During a storm, Richmann was struck while about a foot from the bar, as he observed the needle.. A witness description - "A globe of blue and whitish fire about four inches in diameter" came from the bar struck Richmann's forehead" with "an explosion like that of a small cannon."

7. 1782 - Wednesday George Washington created the Order of the Purple Heart, as a decoration to recognize merit in enlisted men and noncommissioned officers. Washington devised a badge for any singularly meritorious action, that was the figure of a heart in purple cloth or silk edged with narrow lace or binding. This badge of Military Merit was affixed to the uniform coat above the left breast

8. 1503 - Saturday -After meeting on eMonarchy.com, and texting just forever, King James IV of Scotland married thirteen year old Margaret Tudor, daughter of King Henry VII of England. The affair was catered by Harry's Haggis of Holyrood. Music provided by D.J Bagpipes Da Tartan. The groom was resplendent in a kilt by Ralph Lauren the bride glowed in a traditional Highland sporrans by Vera McWang. The nuptials would eventually result in James great grandson becoming King of England 100 years later.

9. 1593 - Monday- "FISH: an animal that grows the fastest between the time it's caught and the time the fisherman describes it to his friends...for all you fishermen out there - Happy Birthday, Izaak Walton, English naturalist who wrote The Compleat Angler, the first book on fishing.

10. 1833 - Why did the mammoth cross the road? A: Because they didn't have chickens in the Ice Age...Archeologists

using an early mammothogram, discovered the complete skeleton of a thirty-six foot long and fifteen-foot high mammoth in St. James, Nebraska

11. 1807 - Monday Happy Birthday, David Atchison who was actually president for one day, March 4, 1849. President Zachary Taylor refused to be inaugurated on a Sunday. As President Pro Tem of the U.S Senate Atchison served before Taylor was inaugurated. Hail to the Chief was played really really fast.

12. 1981 -Wednesday- IBM introduced the PC personal computer. The first PC ran on a 4.77 MHz Intel 8088 microprocessor and used Microsoft's MS-DOS operating system....all yours for \$1565, although a fully loaded version with color graphics would run you \$6000.

13. 1888-Monday- Happy Birthday, John Logie Baird, Scottish engineer, who was the first man to televise outline pictures of objects in 1924. This was followed the next year by recognizable human faces. By 1926, he was able to demonstrate TV for moving objects at the Royal Institution, London.

14. 1457 -Friday The oldest known exactly dated printed book, the Mainz Psalter, was printed in the Fust-Schöffer shop, 21 years after Johannes Gutenberg invented the printing press with replaceable/moveable wooden or metal letters in 1436

15. 1877- Wednesday Thomas Edison coined the telephone greeting, "Hello." The use of hello to answer the phone triumphed over the use of Ahoy as suggested by inventor Alexander Bell.

16. 1988- Tuesday, one word sums up probably the responsibility of any vice president, and that one word is 'to be prepared'..... George H.W. Bush selected intellectual Indiana Sen. Dan Quayle to be his Vice Presidential running mate on the Republican ticket.

17. 1978 - Thursday The Double Eagle II completed the first transatlantic balloon flight when it landed near Paris. It took 137 hours after lifting off from Preque Isle, Maine to get to Paris, or about the same time it takes to get out of O'Hare Airport when there are thunder storms in the vicinity.

18. 1909 -Wednesday- The first race was held at the Indianapolis

Motor Speedway. It is now the home of the world's most famous motor racing competition, the Indianapolis 500.

19. 1960 - Friday- Sputnik 5, carrying two dogs, was launched into space. They were later retrieved as the first living organisms from space. The dogs then developed as alien pods and took over the minds of anyone who petted them and mutated into people who abuse handicapped parking spaces.

20. 1833 - Tuesday- Happy Birthday, Benjamin Harrison, 23rd President of the United States from 1889 to 1893. Benjamin was the ham for the Grover Cleveland Presidential Sandwich. Cleveland preceded and succeeded him as president. Harrison's Vice President was Levi Morton. Benjamin was the grandson of William Henry Harrison, briefly the 9th President.

21. 1841- Saturday How do you make a Venetian blind? Poke him in the eye.....John Hampson of New Orleans, Louisiana was issued the first patent for Venetian Blinds. He did not invent them as Venetian blinds, they were actually invented in Persia and Venetian traders brought the blinds to Venice, hence, Venetian Blinds.

22. 1902 - Friday President Theodore Roosevelt became the first U.S. President to ride in an automobile. The joy ride took place in Hartford, Connecticut. The President called "shotgun" and then hogged the radio choosing only classic rock while yelling "hey babeeeee" at attractive women.

23. 1609 - Sunday. The telescope was first demonstrated by Galileo Galileo. Working in Venice, he pointed the instrument toward Padua, and the Tower of Saint Giustina, thirty-five miles away. The very first telescopes were believed to have appeared around the year 1608 and were credited to opticians Hans Lippershey and Zacharias Janssen.

24. 1853 - Wednesday It has been claimed that the first potato chips were prepared by Chef George Crum, an American Indian, at Moon's Lake House in Saratoga Springs, NY. When gazillionaire Commodore Cornelius Vanderbilt was dining there, he sent his fried potatoes back to the kitchen, complaining they were "too thick." Chef Crum retaliated by slicing paper thin strips of potatoes

and frying them to a crisp. Vanderbilt loved these "Saratoga Chips" and they became an instant success.

25. 325 - Tuesday- The Council of Nicaea, the first ecumenical debate held by the early Christian church, ended with the establishment of the doctrine of the Holy Trinity. The Council had been convened by Roman Emperor Constantine I in May.

26. 1909 - Thursday- An almost perfectly preserved Cro-Magnon man skeleton was discovered by paleontologist Otto Hauser. It was later identified as a member of the U.S Supreme Court.

27. 1894 - Monday- A sad day as the first graduated income tax was passed. As is done today, some sleazoid congressman snuck the tax into another bill. President Cleveland fought it and the Supreme Court voted it unconstitutional. The TAX had to wait until 1913 when it was passed as the 16th amendment to the Constitution.

28. 1922 - Monday The first radio commercial aired on WEAF in New York City. It was a 10-minute blurb, a really long time when you think about it. It was an advertisement for the Queensboro Realty Co., which had paid \$100 for five days of sponsorship.

29. 2005 - Monday Hurricane Katrina made landfall near New Orleans, Louisiana, as a Category 4 hurricane. Despite being only the third most powerful storm of the 2005 hurricane season, Katrina was the worst natural disaster in the history of the United States.

30. 1983 - Tuesday- Guion S. Bluford Jr. became the first black American astronaut to travel in space, aboard the shuttle Challenger.

31. 2012 - Friday. Good news for lupine fans, Gray wolves in the state of Wyoming were dropped from the US government's list of endangered species after a successful twenty year program to repopulate the species. The wolves were encouraged to join singles and mingles nights, speed dating, and the popular Howlers Like Us website in order to mate and propagate. New rules stated the Wyoming needs to maintain at least ten pairs of breeding wolves and cannot have less than one-hundred of the animals.

Full Moon is the Sturgeon Moon - Noted by chanteuse, Madonna on her recording of Like a Sturgeon
1. 1981- Saturday MTV made its debut at 12:01 a.m. The first music video (this was when the M actually indicated Music) shown was Video Killed the Radio Star, by the Buggles. And, in answer to the inevitable question; the second video was Pat Benatar, You Better Run. MTV has since gone on to cultural icons such as Jersey Shore, 16 and Pregnant, Yo Momma, Date My Mom, Laguna Beach, and Engaged and Underaged
2. 1610 - Monday In a minor navigational error, Henry Hudson sailed into what it is now known as Hudson Bay, thinking he had made it through the Northwest Passage and reached the Pacific Ocean. He suspected he was in the wrong place when the only beer they could find was Labatt Blue.

3. 1811- Saturday Happy Birthday, Elisha Otis, American inventor. Otis did not invent the elevator, he invented the automatic safety brake for elevators. This later made high-rise buildings practical. Prior to this many elevator technology had its ups and downs.

4. 1755 - Monday "A horse may be coaxed to drink, but a pencil must be lead"Stan Laurel.....Joyeux Anniversaire! Nicolas-Jacques Conté, French painter and inventor who was the first to use graphite - and that is still used as the basis for making pencil leads today.

5. 1957 - Monday American Bandstand, featuring lip-synching recording artists and dance trend setting teens, made it's network debut on ABC. Bandstand began as a local program on WFIL-TV Channel 6 in Philadelphia. It was first hosted by Bob Horn and called Bob Horn's Bandstand. After a brief scandal involving the host and underage girls, the show got a new host in July 1956, clean-cut 26 year old Dick Clark. P.S, the only artist not to lip synch on

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<p>Barrett Township Historical Society 3rd Friday, Friendly Community Center, Route 191 Mtnhome @ 2 pm</p> <p>Barrett Township Supervisors Business Meeting @ Municipal Bldg. 2nd Wednesday of the Month - 5:30pm 4th Wednesday of the Month - 8:00am Workshops: 3rd Wednesday of the Month - 8:00am</p> <p>Barrett Township Planning Commission 1st Wednesday Municipal Bldg, Rt. 390, Mountainhome 5:30 PM</p> <p>Barrett Architectural Review Committee Third Thursday 5 PM Municipal Building</p> <p>Barrett Twp. Environmental Advisory Council Third Tuesday of each month. 6:30 PM @ Evergreen School</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Rotary Club of the Pocono Mountains Every Wednesday, 6.15 pm Refer to our website for location www.rotaryclubofthepoconomountains.com</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Paradise Township Board of Supervisors-Regular Meeting- 1st and 3rd Monday of the month @ 6:00 PM Board of Supervisors-Work Sessions-1st and 3rd Mondays of the month @ 5:00 PM, as needed.</p> <p>Paradise Planning Commission 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 5:30 PM.</p> <p>Paradise Zoning Hearing Board-4th Tuesday of the month @ 5:30 PM, as needed.</p> <p>Paradise Environmental Advisory Council/Open Space Committee—3rd Thursday of the month at 5:00 PM Held at Paradise Township Building</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Pocono Area Recreation Commission- 4th Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM.</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Pocono Mountain School Board First & Third Wednesday Administration Building Swiftwater campus 7 pm</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Pocono Masonic Lodge #780 2nd Wed of the month -7:30 PM Except July & August Rt. 390 Cresco</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Mt. Pocono Monthly Lupus Support Group Meeting, Every 3rd Tues. at 7 p.m. Separate Teen and Adult Groups - St. Mary of the Mount Church, 27 Fairview Avenue, Mt. Pocono - For more information, call Betty Kruk 570 894-3629, the Lupus Foundation 1-888-995-8787 or visit www.lupuspa.org</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Pocono Mountain Volunteer Fire Company Ladies Auxilliary meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the Firehouse located off Rt. 611 in Mount Pocono. Contact Auxillary Secretary Tracy Coutts at 570-954-8310 for more info.</p>		<p>Most Holy Trinity Parish (comprises St. Ann, St. Mary of the Mount and St. Bernadette) Masses are celebrated in the gymnasium of Monsignor McHugh School located at 212 Route 390 in Cresco: Saturday Masses: 4pm Sunday Masses: 8am, 10:30am and 12.30pm (the Spanish Mass) Parish Center contact: (570) 595-3100 St.</p> <p>Canadensis United Methodist Church Route 390 & 447, Canadensis Worship with Children's Experience 10:45 AM</p> <p>Keokee Chapel United Methodist Keokee Chapel Lane., Paradise SUN Service, 9:30 AM SUN School Classes 9:45 AM</p> <p>Mountainhome United Methodist Church Routes 390/191, Mountainhome Worship 9 AM - Adult Sunday School 10:15AM Children's Sunday School 9:15AM</p> <p>Paradise Valley Baptist Church Koerner Rd & Rt 390, Cresco Sun. School, 9:30 AM Sun. Worship, 10:30AM Wed Service 7:00pm Bible Study</p> <p>Promised Land Protestant Church Route 390 SUN Services 10 AM Innovation Church Sundays at 9am & 11am 595-2000</p> <p>B-Nai Harim (Children of the mountains)A Reform Jewish congregation. www.bnaiharimpocoнос.org Pocono Crest Rd at Rt 940 and Sullivan Rd.. Call 646-0100</p> <p>LifeChurch Poconos (non-denominational) Sullivan Trail, Pocono Pines SUN Service: 10:01AM Children's Church Available</p> <p>St. Paul's United Church of Christ Upper Swiftwater Rd. Swiftwater Sunday Service; 9:30AM 570-839-0730</p> <p>Eglise Evangelique De La Renaissance Christian Counseling Ministries HC 1 Box 1-B Swiftwater Pa English Morning Service 9 AM</p> <p>Trinity Episcopal Church Sunday Services: Holy Eucharist - 8:00 &10:00 a.m. Sunday School: September - May 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer: Tuesdays - 9:00a.m. 137 Trinity Hill Road, Mt. Pocono, PA 570-839-9376. trinitychurchmp@verizon.net</p>		<p>Grace Community Fellowship, meeting at the Tandoor Palace conference room (right next to the days Inn) Rt 715 in Tannersville Pa exit 299 off Rt 80 Sunday mornings at 10:30 Call 570-977-7749</p> <p>Grace United Church of Christ Sullivan Trail & Rt. 715, Tannersville Sunday Service;10:00AM</p> <p>Living Hope Baptist Church for info. - 839-5900 Warriors For Christ Ministries 445 Sterling Rd.(Rt 196) Tobyhanna, PA 570-894-1623 Sunday-11:30Am Wed & Fri 7:30PM</p> <p>1 Living Hope Communtiy Church 5530 Municipal dr. Tobyhanna PA 18466 Start at 9:45. Service begins at 11:00 Church office: 570-676-8686</p> <p>Mt Pocono United Methodist Church 12 Church Avenue Mt Pocono, PA 570-839-9902 Rev. Samuel Kofi Ashley 8:15 Communion Service 9:30 Contemporary Service 11:00 Traditional Service</p> <p>House Of Praise Christian Fellowship meet at Comfort Inn Route 940 by Lowes Sunday Services 10 AM-1PM Bishop Hamilton(Pastor) Phone# 917.497.5549</p> <p>Temple Israel of the Poconos – Egalitarian Conservative Synagogue: 711 Wallace Street at Avenue A' , Stroudsburg, Pa. 18360. Sabbath Services: Friday evening 7:00 PM followed by a Traditional Oneg Shabbat. Saturday morning 9:30 AM followed by a traditional Kiddush. Hebrew School – High Holiday Services – Passover Seder – Purim Party – Family Chanukah Menorah Lighting – Adult Educational Programs – Social Gatherings. Contact: Dr. Sandra Alfonsi – 570-223-7062.</p> <p>Saint Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church Rt. 940 Pocono Summit (between Tractor Supply and CVS) Devine Liturgy (mass) Saturday 5 pm Sunday 9:30 AM Very Rev. Michael Salnický, Pastor</p> <p>ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH 158 Fish Hill Rd., Tannersville PA 18372. The Rev. Carl W. Filer, Pastor Worship Services at 9:00AM with Sunday School for all ages at 10:15AM. Contemporary Worship is first Sunday of the month. Communion is 1st and 3rd Sundays. www.stpaultannersvillepa.org 570-629-1992</p> <p>The Cross Church (non denominational) 3308 Rt.940, Mount Pocono (next to AT & T) Tim Sahadeo Pastor 570-580-2380 Sunday Bible Study 10.30 amSunday Morning worship 11 am Children Sunday School 12 Noon Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer 7 pm</p>		<p>Barrett Senior Center Open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9AM-1PM at The Friendly Community Center, 6683 Route 191 in Mountainhome. People age 60 and better are welcome. Please call Tanya Lutin at 570.481.4330 for details and to reserve a lunch.</p> <p>Free Alzheimer's Training Available to Local Family Caregivers The local Home Instead Senior Care office is offering free online e-learning training sessions for Monroe County families managing the challenges of Alzheimer's and other dementia diseases. Available at HelpForAlzheimers Families.com To request free, on-site Family Caregiver Training, contact the Home Instead Senior Care office in Tannersville at 570-629-3800.</p> <p>Celebrate Recovery Christ centered 12-step recovery program 7 PM every Thursday Stroudsburg Wesleyan Church 915 North Fifth St., Stroudsburg, PA for info, contact Debbie at 570-421-0750 or pastordebbieswc@gmail.com.</p> <p>Pocono Mountains Men's Fellowship (men only) Bible study group meets every third Saturday 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Eastern Monroe County Library, 1002 North Ninth Street, Stroudsburg, PA. Bring a friend and don't forget your Bible! Contact Brother Eason at 917-561-9341 for more info</p> <p>FOOD PANTRY St. Paul Lutheran Church 158 Fish Hill Road Tannersville, Tuesdays from 11:00 AM till 1:00 PM. The third Wednesday of every month we have a community dinner that is free to the public. The dinner is from 4:30 PM till 6:30 PM.</p> <p>Bingo! Bingo all year long... Every Saturday Doors Open 5:30 PM / First Call 6:30 PM Bring a friend & receive \$5 off \$25 bingo pack Hosted by Promised Land Vol. Fire Co. 1054 Route 390, Greentown, PA Contact # 570-676-3818</p> <p>Have a couple of hours free weekday mornings? Volunteer with Monroe County Meals on Wheels to deliver meals and a moment of human connection to your homebound neighbors in Barrett Township. Volunteer as often as you would like - once a week, once a month, every once in a while.Contact us at 570-424-8794 or mailto: iraudabaugh@monroemeals.org for an application.</p> <p>Mountain Laurel Quilt Guild Meets third Monday of Month at 7:00 PM Lower level of Canadensis United Methodist Church Church located on corner of Rts. 447 & 390 New members & guests welcome For more info, contact” Rhonda @ 570-676-3131.</p> <p>Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group In Partnership with The Friendly Community Center Time: 2nd Monday of each month from 5:30-6:30PM at the Loder Senior Center in East Stroudsburg. Facilitator: Jennifer Bayer, Community Outreach Volunteer with the Alzheimer's Association Contact: 570-517-9292 or bayer4@ptd.net</p> <p>Nearly New Shop Rt. 390, Mountainhome, PA (across from Municipal Building) Accepting consignments Tuesdays 10am-12pm Donations are accepted any day the store is open.</p> <p>The Board of Trustees of the Barrett Paradise Friendly Library meets on the 4th Monday of the month at 5:30 pm in the Weiler Family Community Room at the library. The Board meets every month with the exception of December.</p> <p>Pocono Mountain Chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America (EGA). We do all types of needlework (Cross stitch, Hardanger, Canvas work, Crewel work, etc.) There is a different program each month. We meet every second Monday of the month from September – May at 7:00pm at Stroudsburg High School Cafeteria, West Main Street, Stroudsburg, Pa. The contact person for anyone interested in our group is Bonnie Miller, 570-424-6208.</p>	

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