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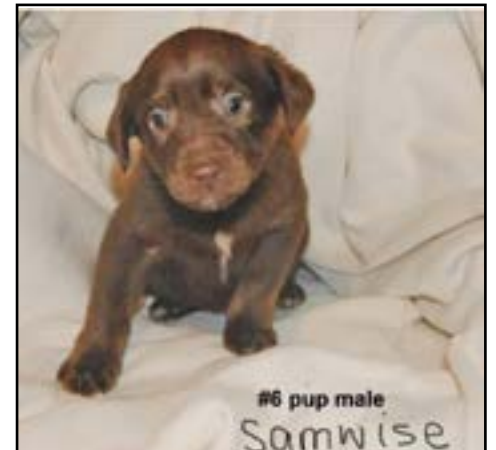
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Battle of the sexes

by Phil Dente

Darlin', where's the salt-shaker? It's not in

the cabinet here," I asked my wife, Patricia. "Yes it is. I just put it there this morning," she responded. "Well, I don't see it," I retorted. "That doesn't mean it isn't there," she quipped. *Two minutes later.* "Nah, it isn't here. You

must have put it somewhere else," I said.

"It's there," was her reply.

One minute later.

"I'm telling you, it's not here," I angrily stated.

Patti walks over to the cabinet and reaches up and takes out the saltshaker.

"Wow, how did you do that?" I said, amazed.

"What?" she questioned.

"I saw you walk over with nothing in your hand. How did you manage to hide the shaker on your person and then put it in the cabinet without me seeing it? I was standing right here. That was quite a trick," I rambled. "It was no trick. The shaker was in the cabinet all the time," she confided.

"No Way!! I looked!!" I insisted.

Now, as I'm writing this, I know many women are saying, yeah, that's my husband.

Couldn't find an elephant if he was in a closet with one. Girls, girls, girls. It's not like that at all.

It's really not our fault.

It's a common fact that women have more of a "perceptive" vision of things than men do. And it's also a fact that men and women see things totally different. A prime example; we had a car that was, let's say for the sake of argument, a "blue- green" color.

I saw it as green; my wife saw it as blue. Yep, that's exactly how we perceived it. Folks, not only my wife and I, but also any other couple that saw the car.

Me; to couple number one; "What color is our car? I know, I know, it's a stupid question, but humor me."

She; "Blue of course."

Him; "What are you talking about, it's green?"

She; "What are you color blind, it's blue?"

Him; Blue? "What are you..." "Hold it! Hold it!" I

interjected, warding off a marital spat. "Fact proven," I said to everyone present, "men and

women see things differently, and there's no cure!" This also was the same response from couple number two and three.

It's just something married folks have to learn to live with, I guess.

I wonder if this is what they mean by the battle of the sexes?

Hmmm.

But, there's times I just find myself feeling a little touch of the devil (as an old Irish friend used to say), and like to *stir the pot* once in a while.

I went to the cabinet and the first thing I saw when I opened it was a jar of honey, shaped like a little bear. I took it into another room and hid it behind a chair. "Patricia," I shouted into the next room, "I can't find the honey."

"It's there in the cabinet, did you even..." she started saying.

"Darlin, I know what you are going to say, but I'm telling you I looked and looked and could not find the honey," I said as I stood in front of the cabinet.

"Philip, I just used it last night. It's right on the first shelf," she answered.

"Noooo, it's not, I stated,

"Did you look really good," she said menacingly.

"Looked good, looked bad," I quipped, "still can't find it!" She came into the room sort of in a huff, mumbling something about "what would I do if I lived alone," and that statement being a strong possibility.

Patti opened the cabinet door, reached in, moved a box of pepper and produced a jar of honey. "It helps if you move things a bit. Whatever you want doesn't just jump out for you," she

scolded.

My jaw dropped!! I was in awe!

The woman is truly a magician. I thought to myself. Then she said the words that made me feel sane again. "Geez, you're hopeless. I bought two bottles of honey and you couldn't even find one."

"Thank God! I thought I was losing my mind," I mumbled aloud.

"Well if you lose it, call me, I'll probably have to help you find that, too," she jokingly (I think) replied.

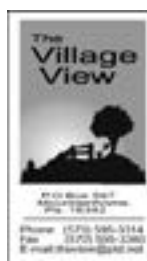
"Ha! Ha!" was my response. I know, I know, it wasn't

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such a great comeback, but I'll think of something later.

This isn't over yet!
It's only one battle in the big war.

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The St. Francis Award is an annual award given each year to a community member who exhibits an extraordinary dedication to helping animals. This year's award was presented to a man who tirelessly gardens to raise

money for animals through the sale of flower bouquets. The money raised goes to an organization called Petals for Pups and Purrs which has placed many homeless animals in permanent homes.

Mr. Price has a large garden dedicated to raising flowers which are harvested and sold at various local businesses, with 100% of the proceeds benefiting homeless animals. His daughter used the

following quote by Louis Nizer to describe Doug: "He who works with his hands is a laborer. He who works with his hands and his head is a craftsman. He who works with his hands and his head and his heart is an artist."

Doug's work has been appreciated by the animals of Barrett and far beyond. He is truly an artist with a big heart for furry creatures.



Douglas E. Price.

Photo below; L to R : Sarah Lehr, Missy Wenzel, Douglas Price, Valerie Price, Diane Zavalick. Front row, Ciera Bobbit and Bobbie (Doug's Chocolate Lab)



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Barrett Township Community Shed

Many in our community are living without basic things most of us take for granted every day. This program was developed to help those in need in our community.

If you are moving, downsizing, settling an estate or buying new furniture and need to get rid of your old items, please contact us to donate. If you are in need of any items, please contact us for pick-up.

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.

Donations & Pick-Ups: The Community Shed is located at the Municipal Building (993 Route 390, Cresco) and is available for Donations or Pick-ups between 8am to 4pm Monday-Friday, call Pam Gardsy - 570-595-2602 ext 3 for an appointment. Gently-used items will be inspected and placed into inventory. The inventory list will be posted on Barrett Township's website: www.BarrettTownship.com. We ask that items be in good condition; we have the right to refuse any item.

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Library Letters

By Mary Ann Lewis

Hello,
everyone!
March is a
month of

change: Clocks “spring forward,” winter turns to spring, and this particular March our long-time Library Director, Cindy DeLuca, began her well-deserved retirement! The past two months were a whirlwind trying to learn as much as I could about how to run the library from Cindy before her last day (she “leaped” into retirement on February 29). But you can’t cram 32 year’s worth of know-how into such a short time! Cindy spent the last three decades crafting, shaping, and nurturing our library into the gem it is today. I am thrilled to have the opportunity to lead the library into its next chapter and I take comfort in knowing that Cindy has left it in such great shape. I’m fortunate to be surrounded by knowledgeable and caring staff and volunteers who keep things running smoothly. And I’m thankful to be working in a library and community I’ve loved since I was a little girl. Please bear with me as I settle in--I still have a lot to learn! I look forward to continuing Cindy’s legacy of providing excellent library service to Barret and Paradise Townships knowing that I have learned from the best! Our terrific staff has planned a lot of wonderful and exciting programs in the next month. Our new Mom’s Group is looking for participants and we’re having an awesome family food prep competition later this month. Keyboard classes begin again in April and there are some fun craft programs planned--see all the details below!

Yoga with Danielle Lane Mondays 6:00 pm

Join us Monday evenings with Master Yoga Instructor Danielle Lane. Hatha is offered for beginner/intermediate students. Explore a new and healthy way to relieve daily stress. *Entering class later than 6:05 disrupts class. If you can’t be here before 6:05, please join us next week. *If you are ill and/or coughing, please stay home, rest, and join us when you are feeling better.

Chess Club Saturdays 10:30-11:30 am

Chess is a game that is over a thousand years old and still popular. For older players, chess is said to

be the “gymnasium of the mind.” For youngsters, it stimulates the thought process. Chess Club is available for all ages on Saturday mornings at the library.

Shakespeare

Shakespeare is taking a break for the moment, but we’ll let you know as soon as classes resume.

Movie Days at the Library

Movies will be shown on the first and third Monday of the month at 1:00 pm.

March 16th Judy

Thirty years after starring in “The Wizard of Oz,” beloved actress and singer Judy Garland arrives in London to perform sold-out shows at the Talk of the Town nightclub. While there, she reminisces with friends and fans and begins a whirlwind romance with musician Mickey Deans, her soon-to-be fifth husband. Rated PG-13. Starring Renee Zellweger. Running Time 1hr 58mins.

April 6th Parasite

Greed and class discrimination threaten the newly formed symbiotic relationship between the wealthy Park family and the destitute Kim clan. Rated R. Starring Kango-ho Song. Running Time 2hrs 12 mins.

Book Club Tuesday, March 17th 1:00 pm & Tuesday, March 31st 7:00 pm

We are always accepting new members! The library provides books for members, and extra books are always available at the circulation desk. At each meeting, the selected title is discussed. The Afternoon Book Club meets the third Tuesday of every month at 1:00 pm. The Evening Book Club meets the last Tuesday of the month at 7pm. The Afternoon Book Club will be reading *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult. The Evening Book Club will be reading *Immigrant, Montana* by Amitaba Kumar.

Paint-Along with John James and Cathy Zateeny Tuesdays, March 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, & 31st 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

All artists are invited to paint and learn from each other during fun, relaxing communal art sessions with art teachers, John James and Cathy Zateeny. They will be there to guide you through any project you might be working on. We ask that you please bring your own supplies and projects to each session. Call or visit the library to register.

Mom’s Night Out (Adults Only!)

Monday, March 16th 6:30 pm

Calling all moms! Join us for a

monthly meeting of our moms’ group. Relax, unwind, and chat with fellow moms. This month we will be making vision boards that help you focus on personal goals. Light refreshments will be served.

Irish Tea Tuesday, March 17th 1:00 pm

We invite you to come to the library for an Irish Tea. We will be making Irish soda bread while enjoying tea to celebrate St. Patrick’s Day. Please call or visit the library to register, as space is limited.

The Art of Conversation

Wednesday, March 18th 6:00 pm

Learn how to be comfortable talking to a person of any age or demographic. How to start a conversation, keep a conversation going, and make the other person think that you are interesting and fun. This class will include no-fail body language techniques to denote interest and engagement. Aimed toward people who understand the importance of mastering a poised social demeanor both in the workplace and among their friends.

American Mah-Jongg Wednesday, March 25th 6:00 pm

We invite you to a fun, family game night with Andrea Ekstedt. She’ll be teaching us how to play American Mah-Jongg.

Pound Fitness Thursday, March 26th 6:00 pm

Rock out with Sandra Rivera during this exhilarating class! Pound Fitness is a combination of cardio and light weight training, with some rhythmic techniques of Pilates. You’ll get a great work out while having a ton of fun dancing to a healthier you. Registration is a MUST, as equipment is limited. Please call or visit the library to register.

Mystery Basket Challenge Saturday, March 28th 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

In honor of National Nutrition Month, we invite you to the library for a healthy eating competition! Make a delicious, healthy dish, using mystery basket ingredients and a “pantry” of other ingredients. There will be 5 people on each team for a total of 6 teams. Individuals who sign up will be assigned to teams with fewer than five people. Each team will prepare either an appetizer, entrée, or dessert. We won’t reveal the contents of the baskets until the day of the competition, so prepare to be surprised! A **REFUNDABLE** registration fee of \$5 per person or \$10 per family will be required. Due to the amount of supplies we are purchasing, we will be asking for the fee as a placeholder to ensure your participation. It **WILL** be returned the day of competition at the end of

the program. You must be at least **10 years old** and have at least **1 adult** on a team. Each team must clean up after they’ve completed their dish. The winning team will receive a gift basket full of fun, healthy food and kitchen items. You **MUST** call or visit the library to fill out a form for this fun, family program. Signing up through social media does **NOT** secure your spot on a team.

Tech Basics: Androids Tuesday, March 31st 2:00 pm

Are you having trouble navigating your android phone or tablet? Come to the library and sit down with our tech specialist to learn the ins and outs of your device. We’ll be going over apps, photos, and more. Call or visit the library to register.

Embrace: Discussing Body Image Wednesday, April 1st 5:00 pm

We invite women to a special and empowering program with Judy Linder. We will be watching the documentary *Embrace*, and then having an open and honest discussion about body image afterward. Light refreshments will be served. Please call or visit the library to register.

Keyboard Classes Tuesdays, April 14th – May 19th

Times: **(8-12 yrs)** 6:15-7:00 pm, **(13 yrs and older)** 7:00-7:45pm

Join music teacher Michael Capone at the library for introductory keyboarding classes. This six-week series will cover the basics of keyboarding and reading music. The library will provide keyboards and headphones, just come ready to learn. Space is limited, and pre-registration is required!

DIY Card Class with Lisa Flanagan Thursday, April 2nd 6:00 pm

We invite you to come to the library to make beautiful, homemade holiday cards with the talented Lisa Flanagan. Please stop in or call to register. Space is limited!

American Sign Language with Danielle Cavanagh Wednesday, April 8th 6:30 pm

Danielle Cavanagh is back for another fun, exciting American Sign Language (ASL) class for beginners. Please call or visit the library to register

Easter Origami Bookmarks Thursday, April 9th 1:00 pm

We invite the entire family to come to a fun class with Jennifer Storm. We will be making easy and gorgeous origami bookmarks that people of all ages will love. Please call or visit the library to register.

Zumba Thursday, April 9th 6:00 pm

Get ready to shimmy, shake, and dance the pounds away with Sandra Rivera! Zumba is an aerobic dance class that includes fast and slow

rhythms and interval training. Zumba classes are scheduled for every second Thursday of the month. Sign up today or call the library to register.

Brigadeiro and Chocolate Covered Pretzels Wednesday, April 15th 5:30 pm

We invite you to make decadent Brazilian chocolate caramels and chocolate covered pretzels. Please call or visit the library to register. Hurry, as space is limited.

Children’s Programs

Story Time Mondays (Toddlers, Ages 1.5-3) 10:30 am to 11:30 am & Wednesdays (Preschool, Ages 3-6) 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Join us for stories, a craft, and a snack! Registration is not necessary.

Wee Ones Wiggle Mondays and Wednesdays after story time at 11:30 am

Bring your toddlers and young children 18 months to 5 years to our movement program on Mondays and Wednesdays after story time at 11:30. Children will march, wiggle, dance, sing, shimmy, shake, and more for 20 minutes with Miss Jennifer.

Preschool Slime Time Thursday, March 19th 11:00 am

Join us for an ooey-gooley time! We will be making (and playing with) marshmallow slime. Please call or visit the library to sign-up for this program.

Play-Doh Party (all ages) Thursday, March 26th 11:00 am

Come squeeze, cut, mold, and create with us! All ages are welcome to join us for playtime with our new Play-Doh accessories. You do not need to pre-register for this program. All are welcome.

Baby & Me Story Time (newborn-age 2) Tuesdays, March 24th & April 14th 10:30 am

Babies and their caregivers come together for about 25 minutes of stories, rhymes, finger plays, sign language, and songs. We usually meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. Walk-ins and siblings are always welcome.

Block Party (ages 3-8) Thursday, April 2nd 11 am

Building with blocks develops a child’s math and science skills and provides lots of fun! Bring your children to a block party and build, talk, explore and create together. All you need is your imagination! You do not need to pre-register for this program, all are welcome.

Baby & Me Story Time (newborn-age 2) Tuesdays, April 14th & 28th 10:30am

Babies and their caregivers come

The Village Scene

March Birthdays

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Emily Reelin
Carolyn Giordano
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Molly Bender
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From Rosemary Brown

In Loving Memory

To my dear friend, Tom Bowditch (pictured to the right of me), who served as Monroe County Joint Veterans Honor Guard leader and Commander of Post 903 and the gentleman who led the charge for the Tannersville War Memorial on Rt. 611, Tom Bowditch (pictured to the right of me). We will miss you here on earth, but your service and support for all veterans will never be forgotten as well as your kindness to me. Thank you. Blessings and love my friend; so glad our paths crossed in life.

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Thomas R. Bowditch, 70, of Cresco, died Sunday, February 23, 2020; **Anil Johari**, 70 of Tannersville, Pa. died Saturday Feb. 22, 2020; John "Jack" Maurice Rapp, Jr., 60, of Paradise Township, died Thursday afternoon, February 20, 2020.; **Kevin D. McCue**, 60, of Cresco, died Wednesday, February 19, 2020; **Mary L. Walters**, 87, of Canadensis, died Wednesday, February 19, 2020; **Francis "Frank" J Chabala Sr.** of MT. Pocono, died Friday February 21, 2020; **Raymond U. Irace**, 60, of Tobyhanna, died, Monday, February 24, 2020; **Mary Louise Check**, 57, of Mount Pocono, died Friday, February 28, 2020, **Audrey C. Transue**, 91, of Cresco, passed away Friday, March 7, 2020; and **Michael Loverdi**, 46, of Stroudsburg, died Sunday, March 8, 2020.

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The Grapevine

Juicy Tidbits for Barrett Residents

Please enjoy our column for Barrett residents sharing helpful facts, news you can use and general info.

Ready for Spring? Spring is right around the corner and we're ready! This is a great time to think about spring cleaning, both inside *and outside* of the house. The township clean-up is a great resource for getting rid of those items that have cluttered your garage all winter. The schedule for clean-ups is available online at www.BarrettTownship.com as well as in this issue of the Village View. If that clutter has spread to the yard/porch etc, please be aware we have a Property Maintenance Ordinance and we will be checking on all complaints we receive so let's work together to keep Barrett Beautiful! Don't forget if the "clutter" turns out to be items in good condition that you just don't need/ want anymore, please consider donating to the Community Shed.

Important Reminder... The deadline to register all short term rental properties was March 1, 2020. Any short term rentals not registered by March 30 will face enforcement and fine.

Ordinance 197 (www.BarrettTownship.com/ordinances) contains all necessary information regarding regulations and registration for short term rentals. The permit application, fee information and guidelines are available at www.BarrettTownship.com/forms. Please contact Zoning Officer Jeryl Rinehart with any questions: 570-595-2602 ext. 2.

Don't Forget... Stay on top of all that's happening in Barrett Township – attend the Supervisors Meetings and Workshop! The schedule is as follows:

- Meetings - 2nd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 pm and 4th Wednesday at 8am.
- Workshop – 3rd Wednesday of the month at 8am.

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Barrett Township Monthly Clean-Up 2020

Saturdays 8:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

**May 2, June 6, July 11,
August 1, September 12, October 3**

**Clean-up items will only be accepted on dates posted
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RATES

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SUV or Mini-Van.....	\$30.00
Full Size Pick-up Load.....	\$40.00
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Tires (20" and larger)	\$15.00
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Fridge, freezer, AC	\$55.00
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Clean-Up takes place at the Barrett Township Maintenance Facility, 194 Sandspring Rd, Cresco, PA. Clean-up is for Barrett Township residents only. Must show valid ID when checking in.

**Items NOT Accepted:
Household Trash, Oils/Chemicals etc., Paint Cans**

Note: All Loose Screws/Nails must be in a container.

PLEASE NOTE: We can no longer accept cash payments over \$50. Make checks payable to: Barrett Township

Election Reforms in Effect for April 28 Primary Election

Rosemary Brown

Comprehensive reforms designed to encourage greater participation in our elections will be in place for the upcoming April 28 Primary Election.

Anyone not already registered to vote now has more time to do so. You may register online or in person at your county courthouse up to 15 days prior to an election, which is April 13.

You may apply for the mail-in or absentee ballots here.

For the first time voters may choose to cast their ballots by mail for any reason.

The last day to apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot is 5 p.m. the Tuesday before the election, which is April 21. The completed ballot must be received via mail, or dropped off in person at your county elections office, by 8 p.m. on Election Day, April 28. The last day for county election boards to receive voted military and overseas absentee ballots (submitted for delivery no later than 11:59 p.m. April 27) is a week after the election, May 5.

Also under the new law, voters who have a permanent disability may ask to be placed on a permanent absentee voter list. Voters on this list will have an absentee ballot application mailed to them by the first Monday in February each year. If you complete and return the application, the county will send you ballots in the mail for all the elections that take place that year, as well as for any special election held through the third Monday in February of the next year.



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Life, Or Something Like It

by Judy Linder

***I have decided to stick with love.
Hate is too great a burden to bear.***

Martin Luther King, Jr.

I have one goal each month when I write this column: Create something that makes folks smile. That's it really, it's that basic. I want to make your day better, or at least not make it worse. With that in mind, I shy away from the economy, politics, the environment, and really anything controversial. That's not to say I don't have pretty strong opinions about a boatload of controversial things. I just don't think I should waste your time yammering on about them.

But I've hit a wall now, one where I can't stay silent any longer.

I am sick to death of hearing hatred spewed about so casually in our country. I don't want to hear one more rant from a politician or government leader that puts down a class of people based on their country of origin or their political party or their religious affiliation. I don't want to hear one more story where a shooter guns down people because of their skin color. I don't want to read one more rude social media post tossed out by someone hiding behind their keyboard or smartphone. I've had it.

I've been chewing on this for a while now. But what can be done? As much as I'd like to slap a few people "upside the head," I realize that would only contribute to this whole, shameful mess. And sure, we can use our votes to put better people in places of leadership, but obviously elected officials are only partly to blame for the hatred in our world, and it certainly isn't going to help the here-and-now. What can ordinary people like us really do?

Well, maybe...a lot.

Did you ever hear of The Butterfly Effect? The idea, a Chaos Theory, suggests that a small, local change can have a big impact elsewhere. For example, a butterfly that flaps its wings in New Mexico at a certain moment, can set in motion a string of events that eventually causes a hurricane in China. That's crazy, right? But hear me out. If a small insect can sneeze or hiccup or do a little jig and thus a storm system begins to form, I'm betting you and I can start to affect things, too.

What if, on a regular basis, we started consciously creating some good in our community? What would that look like? What "hurricane" might it create elsewhere? I'm not suggesting grand gestures, I assure you. I'm thinking of goodness shared on a much more basic level.

- Bring in your neighbor's mail or garbage cans.
- Send someone a card who could use a little lift.
- At the grocery store, let the person with just a few items go ahead of you in the checkout line.
- Buy someone a cup of coffee or a beer.
- Delete that nasty email or Facebook post you are about to send out into the ethers.
- In traffic, let someone who has been waiting to merge pull out in front of you.
- Pick up a few pieces of trash at the side of the road.
- Send a couple of bucks to someone in need, without them knowing it's from you.
- Let someone tell you about their day - and just listen.
- Empty the dishwasher or wash the car or fold some laundry, even if it isn't "your job."
- Make a little extra food for dinner tonight and give it to someone nearby who could use it.
- Chop an extra pile of wood for someone who needs it but who might not be able to swing an ax anymore.
- When someone makes a mistake, be gracious and let it go. Pretend it doesn't matter...because chances are it doesn't.
- Don't snap back at someone who pushes your buttons. Take a deep breath. Nod. Walk away. Do whatever is necessary to avoid taking the bait and spreading the nastiness.

I'd like us all to kick up a little wave here in our neck of the woods that might become a tsunami elsewhere. I want our whole community to send out a clear statement: *Around here, we do things differently. Around here we take care of each other. Around here, we've decided that people – no matter what they look like, who they vote for, or how they do or don't worship God – are worthy and we're willing to go to bat for them.*

I want folks who pass thru our community to feel like they've been touched by something special here - us. I want us to be special in the best way possible, by being the best versions of ourselves.

Because the cool thing is that when we put the effort into really doing good things, something starts to shift inside of us. We start to see ourselves as better people. We start to respect ourselves more. And we are reminded that WE are worthy, too.

So, let's get a move on. Let's kick that Butterfly Effect into high gear and send some good out into the big, wide world, shall we? It might just be the single most important thing we can do right now.

Free training: Streamwatchers needed in Brodhead watershed

Would you like to be a Streamwatcher? Brodhead Watershed Association will soon welcome new "water warriors" into its popular Streamwatch program. Streamwatch volunteer training sessions will be held in March in two convenient locations. You need attend only one session: either 7 p.m. Thursday, March 26, at Northampton Community College's Tannersville campus, Room 104 in Kapp Hall; or at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 28, at Brodhead Creek Heritage Center, 1539 Cherry Lane Road, East Stroudsburg. For 29 years, BWA Streamwatch volunteers have been checking local streams on a monthly basis. Now, with more than 70 volunteers in seven sub-watershed regions of Monroe County, new volunteers are always welcome to join the efforts to ensure water quality. This program is also a good refresher course for veteran Streamwatchers.

Streamwatch volunteers "fulfill an important role in safeguarding the quality of Pocono waters as well as helping the public become more aware of the valuable natural resources we share," said Bob Heil, BWA executive director. "These citizen scientists not only test for indicators of pollution, they also provide observations on the health of our streams."

If problems are discovered, BWA alerts regulatory agencies, such as the Department of Environmental Protection.

At the training, volunteers will meet other Streamwatchers from the local watershed, learn what the program is all about, and get hands-on training with the equipment. At that time, you can decide if Streamwatch is right for you.

To register for either training session or if you have questions, contact the BWA office at 570-839-1120 or email info@brodheadwatershed.org. Walk-ins are welcome, but registration is preferred. For more about the Streamwatch program, see brodheadwatershed.org/stream-watch/.



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- no fire.
2/21 - 8:25am - 7 men - no trucks - auto alarm - Buckleboot Rd. - no fire.
2/21 - 11:48pm - 10 men - 1 truck - vehicle accident with fire - Rt. 191 & Gallagher Rd.
2/23 - 11:37am - 9 men - 1 truck - brush fire - Gravel Rd.

February 2020 drills

2/4 - tanker shuttle - fill at Skytop lake to drop tank at Skytop Meadows - directed by Corey Seese.
2/11 - long business meeting and start of yearly inventory of equipment.
2/18 - finish yearly inventory.
2/25 - Jaws of life drill in the parking lot -directed by Allen Shiffler.

Volunteers needed. If interested come to Firehouse Tuesday at 7 o'clock.

POCONO MT. COMMUNITY CHORUS ANNOUNCES THIS YEAR'S HOLY WEEK CONCERT SCHEDULE - Members From Approximately 30 Regional Churches Unite in Song For Holy Week

SWIFTWATER, PA.— March 1, 2020 – **THE POCONO MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY CHORUS** will present its 41st Annual Holy Week Concerts at the following area churches:

Sunday, April 5, 3:00 p.m., Reeders United Methodist Church, Reeders, Pa

Tuesday, April 7, 7:30 p.m., Mount Pocono United Methodist Church, Mount Pocono, Pa

Wednesday, April 8, 7:30 p.m., Christ Episcopal Church, Stroudsburg, Pa

Founder and Director, Jack Hamblin, has selected a program of sacred music drawn from various periods, composers, and styles for this very moving musical journey through Holy Week.

Accompanists will be Judy Munoz and Gary Raish.

The Chorus is comprised of approximately 65 singers representing 30 different area churches of all denominations. Chorus members are volunteers who sing without formal audition.

The Chorus rehearsed for six Sunday afternoons before and during Lent to prepare for the three Holy Week Concerts.

A free-will offering is received at each concert to benefit the Chorus' Music Fund. All are welcomed to attend and share in this service in music!

How to make any occasion sparkle

(BPT) - What if everyone spent a little more time and energy celebrating everyday moments, tiny victories and micro-achievements? Rather than focusing on the negative, directing your attention toward what you are grateful for, and making a special occasion out of those things, is the secret to a happier life - according to many psychologists, writers and self-help experts.

So what can you do, right now, to add a little more sparkle to your life, to celebrate those little occasions that actually make the difference between a bad day and a great one?

1. Tune up your tablescape

Whether you just made it through a grueling day of meetings at work, you managed to take the car in for an oil change or you got through the holidays unscathed, it's worth celebrating!

So roll out a tablecloth and light a few candles for dinner tonight - even if it's takeout or delivered. Turn off your phone and relish the moment!

2. Dress to impress

Going out to dinner with your significant other for the first time in ages? Or maybe you're staying in for a night with friends?

What's stopping you from dressing up as if it was your first date or as if you're headed to a cocktail party? Toss on that little black dress or a fun, festive outfit just because. Add some sparkly accessories or makeup and enjoy the reaction when you show up looking like a million bucks!

3. Drink something sparkly

For those everyday moments that you want to celebrate, fill a glass with a delicious sparkling wine, like Riondo Prosecco Spago Nero, or use it to create a tasty cocktail. Riondo Prosecco has a light effervescence and fresh notes of apple and pear that make any ordinary occasion seem extra special.

Follow the lead of media personality, author, entrepreneur and restaurateur Giuliana Rancic by embracing the authentic flavor of Italy while you enjoy Giuliana Prosecco. Elevate your everyday dinner as you savor the fruity and elegant prosecco - or serve it to guests at your next awards show viewing party!

Or for a bigger occasion, make a statement with another great prosecco worthy of New Year's Eve, a wedding or an anniversary. Nino Franco Rustico Valdobbiadene Prosecco Superiore D.O.C.G. will impress your guests or fellow revelers with its crisp, bright, refreshing and fruity taste.

4. Celebrate someone you love

Stop at a party store and pick up banners, glitter, confetti or other decorations to celebrate someone you care about. Surprise them by decorating their doorway with a sign that says "Congratulations" or "Welcome Home" - even if they've just been at work all day.

Bring flowers, cupcakes or other special treats to celebrate being together and whatever mini-accomplishment your loved one may have achieved recently - or simply for being there for you when you needed them.

Show that person how much you love that they are a part of your life, and have a mini-party, just the two of you.

5. Crank up the music

Instead of the drone of the TV or talk radio, play your favorite upbeat tunes on the way home from a long day at work. Crank up songs you love at home while you do your household chores to put some pep in your step.

Make a "victory playlist" to celebrate finishing a tedious appointment or completing a project. Then set your favorite song as your ringtone.

Let each day be an opportunity to enjoy everything life has to offer, and to celebrate being a part of it. By adding just a little extra sparkle, everyday moments can become special occasions.

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Judge: "What, all twelve of you?"

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Minsi Lake to be Stocked with Trout for First Time Since 2017

Pen Argyl -- Senator Mario Scavella (R-40) will join the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission, local officials and community organizations to celebrate the refilling of Minsi Lake and participate in trout restocking.

The event will be held Monday, March 23, beginning at 10:30 a.m., at the Boat Access Area Parking Lot at Blue Mountain Drive (off Lake Minsi Drive). Trout stocking at approximately 11 a.m.

This will be the first time that trout have been stocked in the lake since March of 2017 prior to a dam rehabilitation project that required the lake to be drained and closed, affecting the 2017-2019 fishing seasons.

Refilling of the lake began in early February.

Senator Scavella was instrumental in initiating the release of state funds to rehabilitate the Minsi Lake dam structure and secured grant funding for extensive habitat work within the lakebed.

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together for about 25 minutes of stories, rhymes, finger plays, sign language, and songs. We usually meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. Walk-ins and siblings are always welcome.

Spring Celebration (ages 2-6)

Thursday, April 9th 11AM

Join us at the library as we welcome the Spring season! We will share stories, dye eggs, eat snacks and more! Please call or visit the library to sign-up for this program.

Teen Action Board Tuesday April 14th 6:30-7:30 pm

Help us define the newly formed •Teen Action Board• (formerly Teen Advisory Board) and make a difference in your library community. Earn volunteer credits, work on leadership skills, communication, problem solving, and creative expression. TAB is open to students in grades 7-12. Just come to a meeting to join.

Mom's Night Out (Adults Only!)

Monday, April 13th 6:30PM

Calling all Moms!! Join us for the monthly meeting of our Moms' group. Relax, unwind, and chat with fellow moms. This month we will be making Vision Boards that help you focus on personal goals. Light refreshments will be provided.

Preschool Slime Time (ages 2-5)

Thursday, April 16th 11AM

Join us for an ooey-goey good time! This month we will be making jello slime. Please call or visit the library to sign-up for this program.

Creation and Discovery Station @ BPFL (ages 3-12) On Demand

Come Explore and learn with our collection of Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, and Math resources and activities. These materials will be available for free exploration and discovery. If you would like to use the cart, please ask the front desk. This is a drop-in program, and registration is not required.

**Please note: the cart is not available during regularly scheduled story times.*

I just started reading *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult, the Afternoon Book Club selection for March. I hope you're finding great things to read, too-- small, large, or anywhere in-between!

Hope to see you at the library!

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New Survey Reveals What Americans Rely on Most

([NewsUSA](#)) - You may be surprised to learn that, when asked to consider the items they can't live without, Americans rank toothpaste and their toothbrush almost as important as the internet and cell phones, according to a recent study. A new survey on reliability from Cooper Tires is based on data from a survey of 2,000 U.S. adults. The survey drills down into what Americans rely on most in their daily lives, with some interesting findings. In order to smoothly navigate your day-to-day, it's likely there are a few key items, whether you really think about them or not, that we all count on to work in order to get things done.

The reliability of these items - the fact that they consistently perform well - is critical to our day-to-day and impactful on our emotions (both positive and negative) and yet we don't stop and think about, much less celebrate, the value these items bring to our everyday lives. Cooper is built on providing quality, reliable tires for drivers since 1914, and understands the value of being a reliable partner for everyday life, whether celebrated or not. And many of the items that Americans named as their top 10 aren't lauded on a daily basis - but maybe they should be.

Items in the study were ranked according to rational and emotional responses, with these subscores combined to determine the overall reliability scores.

The survey found that Wi-Fi/the internet earned the top ranking for reliability followed by cell phones, but somewhat surprisingly, a toothbrush and toothpaste were third overall. Wi-Fi/the internet scored highest not only on regularity of use and quality, but also contributed highly to both happiness and anxiety - implying that this technological marvel causes a range of emotions, from giving users joy, while at times plummeting them into stress. This ranking also showcases how ubiquitous Wi-Fi/the internet and cell phones have become for people of all ages and backgrounds. The humble toothbrush actually scored higher on the happiness subscale than laptops, sunglasses or even makeup.

Also ranking high for rational responses are cars and their tires. Cars scored fourth overall, with tires sixth, but on the emotional subscore, personal vehicles were second highest, showing that Americans still love their cars, and value reliable tires to get where they need to go, as well as to keep them safe.

Even when the survey findings were divided into subgroups by age (Gen Z, millennials, Gen X, baby boomers and the Greatest Generation), personal vehicles beat out ridesharing.

"While high-tech products and advancements are exciting and buzzworthy, it's much more routine items that we look to and rely on to get through our day," notes Jessica Egerton, director of brand development at Cooper Tire & Rubber Company. "This shows a clear distinction between the things that are nice to have - such as fitness trackers and tablets - and things that are a critical necessity for most Americans in navigating their everyday - such as a personal vehicle."

The remaining top 10 items are: shampoo, credit/debit cards, glasses or contacts, microwaves, and live TV.

While no food items made the top 10, coffee was the top consumable item, in 12th place, followed closely by chocolate in 14th place (laptops took the 13th spot). Interestingly, although both coffee and chocolate scored higher on the rational subscale than the emotional, chocolate not only scored significantly higher among women and Gen X, but chocolate had the largest gap of any item between anxiety and happiness on the emotional subscale. It would appear that chocolate brings consumers joy, but does not cause them stress. Enough said.

Visit cooperreliabilitystudy.com for the full survey results.

Spotting the Signs: Alzheimer's Disease

([NewsUSA](#)) - According to the Alzheimer's Association, nearly 5.8 million Americans are currently living with Alzheimer's disease. By 2050, that number is expected to rise to 14 million.

Detecting symptoms of Alzheimer's disease as early as possible can be critical to provide appropriate care and avoid potentially dangerous situations. And family and friends can play a vital role in recognizing and calling attention to these changes in behavior, especially for older adults who live alone.

While celebrating with loved ones this holiday season, Home Instead Senior Care encourages everyone to become more familiar with the symptoms of Alzheimer's, to be more aware so that critical warning signs are not overlooked.

Although many are aware that Alzheimer's disease affects a person's memory, there are several other lesser-known indicators that commonly go unnoticed such as notable changes in mood or personality, difficulty completing familiar tasks, trouble pronouncing words or writing, and increased anxiety.

Lakelyn Hogan, Home Instead Senior Care gerontologist and caregiver advocate, says, "People get wrapped up in the holidays and can miss important signs that a family member needs help - and doesn't even know it." She asks families to be mindful of the following signs that a loved one is struggling:

* Disruption of daily life. Is your loved one easily confused by changes to his or her routine? Are they beginning to forget everyday tasks, such as taking medication, feeding a pet or paying bills?

* Unusual behaviors. Have you noticed they seem unusually agitated or upset? Does it seem like his or her personality has shifted? Do they seem depressed or down?

* Disengaged with family. Is your loved one having a hard time remembering names of familiar family members? Does it look as if his or her mind is going blank during conversations? Are they having trouble keeping up with topics of discussion?

* Impairments in mobility and judgement. Do they seem afraid or unsure when using stairs? Do they hesitate before taking steps or going down ramps? A decline in cognitive ability can also affect the senses, impairing depth perception and hearing.

* Loss of words. Does it seem they are forgetting words for everyday objects, such as toothbrushes, spoons or cups? Are they slow to form sentences or respond to questions?

"It's important that we walk alongside our love ones in the aging process to ensure they are living safe and healthy lives," explains Hogan. "This holiday season, consider the signs that may indicate early-onset or developed Alzheimer's disease and talk to your senior relative or their caregiver about ways to accommodate their symptoms."

For additional tips and resources on spotting the signs of Alzheimer's, go to www.HelpforAlzheimersFamilies.com or, contact your local Home Instead Senior Care office or www.homeinstead.com.

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The Greene-Dreher Alumni Association announces that scholarships are available for all graduating seniors residing in Greene or Dreher townships.

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Interested individuals may obtain scholarship applications by contacting their school's guidance counselor or by visiting the Alumni Association's website at gdalumni.org. Completed applications must be received by April 15. Proof of Township residency and family income is required.

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BARRETT BIRD 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

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Bring your loved ones affected by dementia or Alzheimer’s disease to interact with others through instrument playing and singing. Music Therapy is a tool to address physical, cognitive, social, emotional and psychological needs by exposing individuals to various music genres and eras of music. Sponsored by the Pocono Mountains Community Fundraiser. Registration appreciated. Time: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 1:00 PM Instructor: Cheryl Mozdian, MM, MT-BC, Summit Music Therapy

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The following individuals waived their rights to a preliminary hearing:

- **Shalini Ally**, 48, of Tobyhanna, charged with 2 counts of retail theft.
- **Bethsaida Rosa Flores**, 37, of Newark, NJ, charged with use of marijuana, and use/possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **Orlando Antonio Rivera**, 39, of Newark NJ, charged with 2 counts of DUI, and 3 counts of traffic violations.
- **George O. Hadley**, 27, of Mount Pocono, charged with 2 counts of insurance fraud.
- **Jose Ruben Padilla**, 33, of East Stroudsburg, charged with use of marijuana, use/possessions of drug paraphernalia. 2 counts of DUI, and 2 counts of traffic violations.
- **Danielle Lorraine Bryant**, 51, of Tobyhanna, charged with retail theft.
- **Tre L. Walton**, 19 of Tobyhanna, charged with 4 counts of DUI, 4 counts of traffic violations.
- **Jaiminbhai J. Patel**, 44, of Williamsport, charged with fraud, and theft by deception.
- **Richard Earl James**, 44, of Tobyhanna, charged with retail theft, and criminal conspiracy.
- **Raheem Derron Wiggins-Smith**, 31, of Philadelphia, charged with theft by deception, and receiving stolen property.
- **Erica Negron**, 42, of Tobyhanna, charged with retail theft.
- **Jill Zaras**, 50, of Landing NJ, charged with 2 counts of aggravated assault, simple assault, resisting arrest, escape, disorderly conduct, harassment, and criminal mischief.
- **Steven Munoz**, 23, of Tobyhanna, charged with simple assault, harassment, and disorderly conduct.
- **Quah-Meek Dunson**, 21, of Tobyhanna, charged with retail theft, and criminal conspiracy.
- **Kristen G. Fenski**, 38, of Tobyhanna, charged with retail theft.
- **Shaquan Altariq Cooper**, 33, of Tobyhanna, charged with flight to avoid apprehension, and resisting arrest.
- **Desmond Alan Connolly**, 53, of Cresco, charged with simple assault, and harassment.
- **Stephanie Burgos**, 34, of Tobyhanna, charged with retail theft.
- **Carmen Mercado Gonzalez**, 69, of East Stroudsburg, charged with endangering the welfare of children, and 3 counts of simple assault.
- **Andre L. Vargas**, 33, of Tobyhanna, charged with 3 counts of manufacturing, delivery, or possession with intent, carrying a firearm without a license, 2 counts of criminal conspiracy, possession of a weapon, 3 counts of possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, and use/possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **Milosz Christian Holman**, 20, of East Stroudsburg, charged with possession of a controlled substance, use/possession of drug paraphernalia, and disorderly conduct.
- **Thomas Lee Vargas**, 32, of Tobyhanna, charged with 2 counts of manufacturing, delivery, or possession with intent, criminal conspiracy, carrying a firearm without a license, criminal conspiracy, possession of a weapon, 2 counts of possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, and use/possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **Ean J. Shields**, 20, of Mount Pocono, charged with aggravated assault, simple assault, criminal mischief, and harassment.

Charges against the following individuals were held for court:

- **Conner J. Johnson**, 21, of East Stroudsburg, charged with criminal mischief.
- **Christopher Paul Scott**, 27, of Cresco, charged with possession of a controlled substance, use/possession of drug paraphernalia. DUI, and 2 counts of traffic violations.
- **Terrance Cordell Mays**, 30, of Tobyhanna, charged with aggravated assault, use of marijuana, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, harassment, and public drunkenness.
- **Josue Abraham Hernandez**, 31, of Tobyhanna, charged with use of marijuana, and use/possession of drug paraphernalia.

The following individual entered a guilty plea:

- **Christopher M. Matlock**, 47, of Cresco, charged with possession of marijuana, and use/possession of drug paraphernalia.

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What's Up at the Barrett Senior Center

The Barrett Senior Center meets every Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 9:00AM-1:00PM at The Friendly Community Center. The Barrett Senior Center is free and is open to people 60 years and older. Enjoy conversation with others, play a game of cards, learn during monthly presentations, make a craft, exercise and every Friday play Bingo for prizes. Who wants to cook and clean up the dishes? Stay for lunch. Meals are available for a suggested \$1.50 donation.

• Mondays at 9:30 AM - "Exercise & Stretch with Debbie" -Gentle exercise not only helps you feel better physically, but it helps you feel happier too! If you don't have time to stay for lunch, all are welcome to come just for this exercise program.

•1st Monday of the month free Blood Pressure Checks

•Every Friday at 10 AM join us for BINGO!



HAVE YOU STOPPED IN TO MEET THE NEW SENIOR CENTER MANAGER? Her name is Tanya Lutin and she is looking forward to hosting lunches and activities with you at the Barrett Senior Center located in The Friendly Community Center.

Lunch menus for the rest of March are:

Monday- March 9th – Turkey burger w/Cheddar Cheese, Baked Beans, Chuckwagon blend, Plum and Whole Wheat Bun OR Light Fare – Chicken Breast Sandwich on whole wheat bun, Hawaiian Rice Salad, Apple & Yogurt

Wednesday- March 11th – Chicken Cacciatore, Orzo Italiano, Green Beans & Diced Pears OR Light Fare- Italian Antipasti, Carrot Sticks, Banana, Yogurt & Juice

Friday, March 13th – Garlic Shells with broccoli & carrots, Red Beets and Applesauce OR Light Fare – Tuna Salad with whole wheat bread, Cucumber Salad, Sliced Peaches and Rice Pudding

Monday, March 16th - Chicken Enchilada casserole, Spanish rice, green beans & an orange OR Light Fare – Ham & Pickle Salad on whole grain bread, Carrot Raisin Salad, Diced Pears, Juice

Wednesday, March 18th – Sweet & Sour Chicken, Brown rice, Broccoli & Yellow Squash & Mandarin Oranges OR Light Fare-Garden Salad, 3 Bean Salad, Plum, Cookies and Crackers

Friday, March 20th - Cod Caponato with Brown Rice, Spinach, Peas & Carrots and an orange OR Light Fare – Egg Salad on whole wheat bread, Red Beets, Nectarine & Juice

Monday, March 23rd – Chicken Enchilada Casserole, Spanish Rice, Green Beans and an orange OR Light Fare- Roast Beef & Cheddar on whole grain bread, Low salt chips, Cinnamon Apples & Jello

Wednesday, March 25th – Chicken with lemon dill sauce, Collard greens, Winter blend veggies, Banana & Whole wheat bread OR Light Fare – BLT wrap, Pea Salad, Apple, Graham Crackers and Yogurt

Friday, March 27th – Cheddar Cheese omelet, Roasted Potato wedges, Brussel Sprouts, Fruit Cocktail, Whole Wheat Bread & Roll OR Lighter Fare – Pasta & Vegetable Salad, Coleslaw, Banana & Pudding

Monday, March 30th - Chicken tenders, Red Cabbage, Zucchini, Sliced Peaches & Whole Wheat Bread OR Light Fare- Turkey Salad with Whole Grain Bread, Broccoli & Carrot Salad, Fruit Cocktail & Granola Bar

View the full menu and activities visit www.monroecountypa.gov – click on Area Agency on Aging

For more information about the Barrett Senior Center or to order lunch in advance, please call Barbara Seese at 570-481-4330.

GET OUTDOORS POCONOS HIKE SERIES

Finding Wolf Rocks on the Appalachian Trail

By Carol Hillestad
For Brodhead Watershed Association

My hiking companion, Sarah Corcoran, seems to be standing on top of the world. The massive boulder beneath her feet juts out over treetops far below, when suddenly, OMG, she's moving into a yoga pose, balancing on one leg, arms reaching up like tree limbs, silhouetted against a cloudy October sky.

I hold my breath, palms sweating, until she slowly unwinds — and we both laugh with pure joy at being part of this amazing place.



Sarah Corcoran, Sierra Club Forest Watch coordinator, takes in the view at Wolf Rocks on the Appalachian Trail. (Carol Hillestad photo)

Sarah is Sierra Club's Forest Watch coordinator for our area, and she spends a lot of time leading hikes throughout the Poconos, yet neither of us had ever hiked to Wolf Rocks before.

For through-hikers on the Appalachian Trail, Wolf Rocks is one of the compensations for miles of ankle-busting trails through "Rocksylvania." The 180-degree view takes in Poplar Valley and Godfrey's Ridge in the distance. Even on a lowering, misty day, a view like this makes you breathe a little deeper, stand a little taller, and feel renewed in an almost primeval way.

And, not knowing what to expect, we'd almost missed it!

We'd set off from the trailhead about an hour ago, walking through pleasant fall woods. Like elsewhere along the AT, the trail was well marked and well maintained, thanks to volunteers from a local hiking club. The air was fragrant with the scent of fallen leaves. Autumn-yellow, hay-scented ferns lined the trail. We saw woolly-bear caterpillars, a toad, and the grey-and-brown papery remains of a wasp nest. The trail was uphill in places, and rocky, though not especially so.

Through the trees, the sky seemed to brighten. Then we were facing a wall of tumbled boulders, covered with mosses, crustose lichens and rock tripe, with ferns growing from crevices. And there, leading straight through this boulder field, were bright white AT trail markers, telling us, yes, this was the way.

Feeling quietly glad that it was cold enough to keep snakes in their dens, I followed Sarah up, around and over the ancient rocks. All at once, we were standing on a wide ridge composed of boulders like those below: gargantuan blocks left every which-way, a sort of Roman road gone haywire.

From here, the view was a sliver of the distant blue hills hemmed in by the tops of white pines and rhododendrons. Continuing to clamber our way upward along the "trail," we caught more glimpses — tantalizing, but not jaw-dropping — and began to wonder whether we had expected too much. We decided to turn back.

Except just ahead was a narrow rock passage that looked interesting. Maybe we could spare a few more minutes ...

Those few minutes took us through a smooth-walled corridor, up another level, and out onto the promontory overlooking the world. I can't say I felt moved to do any balancing poses there myself. But I did feel filled with gratitude, more than a little awe-struck, and intensely aware of the gifts that lie just a few more minutes ahead on the trail.

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

IF YOU GO: Wolf Rocks hike

Join Sarah Corcoran of the Sierra Club for a 3.5-mile out-and-back moderate hike with one rocky scramble on the Appalachian Trail.

WHEN: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 21, 2020

NOTE: Thanks to the Batona Hiking Club for maintaining this section of the AT.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO:

- No restrooms or trash cans. Pack out what you pack in.
- Boots required. Hiking stick suggested.

INFORMATION: Because trailhead parking is extremely limited, this hike will be open to the first 20 registrants. Call 570-839-1120 or 570-242-7171; email info@brodheadwatershed.org. For information about this and other 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.

THEATRICAL GEMS PRESENTS

SIDE SHOW

MARCH 27-APRIL 5

Theatrical Gems, voted Best Musical in Northeast Pennsylvania in 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016, continues its eighth season with ***Side Show***, presented for five performances March 27 - April 5. This show follows popular runs of *The Secret Garden*, *She Loves Me*, *All Shook Up*, *Into the Woods*, and *Evita*.

Based on the true story of Siamese twins Violet and Daisy Hilton who became stars during the Depression, ***Side Show*** is a moving portrait of two women joined at the hip whose extraordinary bondage brings them fame, but denies them love. Told almost entirely in song, the show follows their progression from England to America, around the vaudeville circuit and to Hollywood on the eve of their appearance in the 1932 movie *Freaks*. ***Side Show*** has music by **Henry Krieger** (*Dreamgirls*) and book and lyrics by **Bill Russell**, with additional material by **Bill Condon**.

Single Tickets for Side Show are \$20. You may reserve seats by emailing tickets@theatricalgems.org or calling Jacob Shoesmith-Fox at 570-595-7267. If leaving a message, please include your name and contact information. Please mention which performance you are interested in attending.

Performances of Side Show will be at **8 PM** on **Friday, March 27, Saturday, March 28, Friday, April 3, and Saturday, April 4**, with a matinee performance at **2 PM** on **Sunday, April 5**. Performances are at **Evergreen Community Charter School** (Rte. 390/191, Grace Avenue in Cresco).

The cast stars **Lindsey Cook** (*Evita*) as Daisy Hilton, **Brianna Storm** (*Once on This Island*) as Violet Hilton, **Ryan Cook** as Terry Connor, **Scott Vinnacombe** as Buddy Foster, **David Arzberger** as Jake, and **Patrick Turner** as Sir. The ensemble includes Riley Donadio, Sally Duffy, Anthony Guerra, Nate C. Kuhns, Sarah McCarroll, Marissa Phillips, Jeffrey Rossi, Rachel Rossi, Benjamin H. Salinas, Calla Sandt, Gabriella Solano, and Kerri-Leigh Taylor. The show will be directed by Theatrical Gems Production Manager **Ryan Cook** (*All Shook Up*), with musical direction by **Hunter Chadeayne** (*Into the Woods*) and choreography by **Calli-Ann Linares** (*Sweet Charity*).

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March is the month of expectation,
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1. 1611 –Tuesday - Happy Birthday, John Pell, English mathematician who introduced the division sign (obelus, ÷) into England. The sign was included in the Beatles’ song “ Obelus dee Obelus da, life goes on, yeah”
2. 1730 –Thursday, English scientist, Stephen Gray clothed a boy in heavy garments until his body was thoroughly insulated. He left the boy’s hands, feet, and head unclothed. Using non-conductive silk strings he hung the boy in the air, and then touched an electrified glass tube to his naked foot, “thus causing a spark to rocket from his nose”. We thought you’d get a charge out of this item.
3. 1847 – Wednesday - Happy Birthday, Alexander Graham Bell American inventor born in Edinburgh, Scotland. In 1876, at the age of 29, Alexander Graham Bell invented his telephone, just barely beating out Elisha Gray for the patent, the credit, and ultimately millions of dollars.
4. 1908 –Wednesday- The Collinwood’s Lake View Elementary School became the site of the country’s worst school tragedy. Shortly after 9:00 a.m., overheated steam pipes ignited nearby wood joists. The fire spread quickly, and 172 children, 2 teachers and 1 rescuer perished.
5. 1749-Monday Seeking to prove that lightening was electricity, Benjamin Franklin installed a lightning rod on his home in Philadelphia. Even then he couldn’t get HBO.
6. 1836-Sunday - Davy Crockett, Jim Bowie, Colonel William Travis, John Wayne, Fess Parker, Dennis Quaid, Billy Bob Thornton, Richard Widmark, James Arness, Brian Keith, Laurence Harvey and 186 other Americans were killed as the 13 day siege of the Alamo ended when it was overrun by General Santa Ana’s Mexican Army troops.
7. 1938 – Monday- Happy Birthday, Janet Guthrie, American

race car driver, Janet Guthrie was the first woman ever to drive in the Indianapolis 500 and Daytona 500 auto races, both in 1977. Also that on this day in 1908 Cincinnati mayor, Mark Breith announced to the city council that, “Women are not physically fit to operate automobiles.”
8. 1887 –Tuesday - The first telescopic fishing rod was patented by Everett Horton, who wanted to sneak off and fish on a Sunday in the Puritanical village of Bristol Connecticut. Telescopic fishing rods are designed to collapse down to a short distance and open to a long rod. This makes the rods very easy to transport should you live in a Puritanical village and wish to go fishing on a Sunday.
9. 1454 - Thursday - Happy Birthday Amerigo Vespucci, Italian explorer and navigator. Yes, the Americas were named after him.
10. 1849-Saturday - Abraham Lincoln applied for a patent, the first president to do so. While Thomas Jefferson had several inventions, he never applied for a patent. The patent, which would be granted on May 22 of the same year was for a device to lift boats over shoals, sort of a dry dock.
11. 1818-Wednesday - Frankenstein; or, The Modern Prometheus was published. The book, by 21-year-old Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley, wife of poet Percy Bysshe Shelley is frequently called the world’s first science fiction novel as well as the first monster novel – no check that, we’ll go with Beowulf for first monster novel.
12. 1832 – Monday - Happy Birthday, Charles Boycott, real estate agent who refused to lower rents and served eviction notices instead. Tenants refused to deal with him; in other words, they “boycotted” Boycott making his name a part of the English language.
13. 1877 – Tuesday - Fifteen year-old, Chester Greenwood invented ear muffs. While testing a new pair of ice skates, he grew frustrated at trying to protect his ears from the bitter cold so he made two ear-shaped loops from wire and asked his grandmother to sew fur on them.
14. 1833 - Thursday – Pi day, as well as Einstein’s birthday. Pi is a number, starting with

3.1415926535. It’s the number you get when you divide the circumference of a circle by its diameter, and it can’t be expressed as a fraction. It goes on forever.
15. 1879-Friday - Happy Birthday, Albert Einstein, along with Isaac Newton recognized as the most brilliant mind of the last millenium, Jewish Nobel Prize winner who escaped to America where he continued to be the world’s pre-eminent physicist.
16. 44 B.C. – Tuesday Roman Dictator, Julius Caesar was assassinated in the Roman Forum by a group of senators led by Cassius, Decimus, and Brutus. He was stabbed in the forum.also, in the back, side and chest.
17. 1926 – Tuesday - Robert Goddard launched the first liquid fuel rocket. The rocket traveled 47 ft. high and 184 ft. in distance in 2.5 seconds. The camera recording the event ran out of film so there is no movie of this historic first rocket flight.
18. 460 or 461 – Tuesday - St. Patrick’s Day honors the patron saint of Ireland on the anniversary of his death. Born in Dunbarton, Scotland circa 387 as Patricius Magonus Sucatus, he was kidnapped and sold into slavery in Ireland as a teen, and returning to Ireland as a missionary after a prophetic dream. Patrick began his mission to Ireland in 432.
19. 1837 – Saturday - Happy Birthday, Grover Cleveland, 22nd and 24th president of the U.S. He was the only president to serve 2 nonconsecutive terms and the only president to be married in White House and the 1st to have a child born there. Who was the 23rd president? Did you say Benjamin Harrison?
20. 1831 – Saturday - The first bank robbery in the United States as Edward Smith robbed The City Bank in New York ‘s Wall Street of \$245,000, a huge amount at any time let alone 1831. Mr. Smith was quickly caught (it may have been the Ronald McDonald mask that he used). He entered the bank after it closed, using a duplicate set of keys.
21. 1852 – Saturday- Harriet Beecher Stowe’s classic book, Uncle Tom’s Cabin, was published. The cabin, as seen on HGTV’s House Hunters, featured granite counter tops, cathedral ceilings, wainscoting, a two car garage, a walk-in closet, finished basement and a “man cave”. Over 10,000 copies of the two-volume work were

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22. 1925 – Saturday - The Butler Act became state law in Tennessee. The law prohibited “the teaching of the Evolution Theory in all public schools of Tennessee. Famously, teacher, John Scopes went ape over this as he considered it to be monkeying around with the curriculum.
23. 1895-Friday - The first motion picture shown on a screen was presented by Auguste and Louis Lumière to an invited audience in Paris, France. Titled La Sortie des ouvriers de l’usine Lumière, the film, shows workers leaving the Lumières’ own factory in Lyon.
24. 1839 – Friday- So it’s o.k to say okay, okay? OK entered national vernacular. O.k? The word O.K. was firstly used in 1838 by the Boston Morning Post.
25. 1765 - Sunday- Mit a guten gast frait men zich ven er kumt arein; mit a schlechten gast, ven er gait avek. (Yiddish - With a good guest, you are happy when he arrives; with a bad one, when he leaves.) Continuing to build good will in the colonies Britain enacted the Quartering Act, requiring American colonists to provide temporary housing to British soldiers.
26. 1925 – Wednesday - The first public demonstration of his television system was held by Scotsman, John Logie Baird at the Selfridges department store on Oxford Street, London.
27. 1845 - Wednesday A patent was awarded for an adhesive made of medicated plaster, the precursor of the band-aid. It would be marketed by Dr. Thomas Allcock as Allcock’s

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28. 1860 – Tuesday - Attention oenophiles, The corkscrew, was patented this day by M. L. Byrn of New York City. The device was officially, described as a “covered gimlet screw with a ‘T’ handle”.
29. 1797 – Tuesday - Nathaniel Briggs of New Hampshire received a patent for a washing machine. Fire destroyed the patent office in 1836 and no description of the device exists. The earliest washing machine was a female, Uggette, a Cro-Magnon who was ordered to wash the bear skin undies by her husband Ugg around 23,000 B.C (a Friday).
30. 1897 – Sunday - You don’t know him but you know what he did. Happy Birthday, Victor Mills, American chemical engineer who invented Pampers disposable diapers.
31. 1964 – Monday- And the answer is, which game show is designed for people with at least a modicum of education and has contestants that don’t make fools of themselves. The question is What is Jeopardy?“This ... is ... ‘Jeopardy’!” with host Art Fleming premiered.
32. 1889-Sunday - The Eiffel Tower, built for the Paris Exhibition of 1889, was completed. Writer, de Alexandre Dumas was not impressed. He called it a “horrid nightmare.”obviously he was on the long line waiting to get to the 3rd level.

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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

Gatherings & Such

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 Barbara at
570.481.4330 for details and to
reserve a lunch.

**Free Alzheimer's Training
Available to Local Family
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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.

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](mailto:pastordebbieswc@gmail.com).

**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

FOOD PANTRY
St. Paul Lutheran Church
158 Fish Hill Road Tannersville,
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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

Nearly New Shop
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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.

**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 sec-
ond Monday of the month from
September – May at 7:00pm at
Stroudsburg High School Cafete-
ria, West Main Street,
Stroudsburg, Pa. The contact
person for anyone interested in
our group is Bonnie Miller, 570-
424-6208.

**DOING
PR WORK**

Two friends were first.
“But where will it be much too small?”
“I’m going to keep it.”
“But what about the house?”
“He’ll soon get it.”

Seven-year-old John had gone back to school. His mother told him to wait a minute. “Wait a minute,” the mother said. “I’ll be here for you in a month and I’ll call you once a month.” He misheard her.

An attorney called the governor just at midnight, insisting that he talk to him urgently. An aide eventually agreed to wake up the governor.

“So, what is it?”

Two friends were chatting. "I've just bought a pig!" said the first.

"But where will you keep it?" asked the second. "Your yard's much too small for a pig!"

"I'm going to keep it under my bed," replied the first.

"But what about the smell?"

"He'll soon get used to that."

Seven-year-old John had finished his summer vacation and gone back to school. Two days later his teacher phone his mother to tell her that John was misbehaving.

"Wait a minute," said the mother. "I had John here for two months and I never called you once when he misbehaved."

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

An attorney called the governor just after midnight, insisting that he talk to him urgently. An aide eventually agreed to wake up the governor.

"So, what is it?" grumbled the governor.

"Judge Jones has just died," said the attorney, "and I want to take his place."

The governor replied, "Well, it's okay with me if it's okay with the undertaker."

What do you call a dog that won't come when you call it, refuses to sleep in it's bed, and seldom wants to play? A cat.

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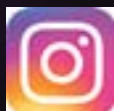
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