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# **Preservers of the Past Antique Machinery Show Returned to Burger's Farm Market**



Three Generations of the Gross Family from Sleepy Hollow in Drums took part in the Preservers of Past Antique Machinery Show recently held at Burger's Farm Market. David Gross is pictured on his Farmall 200 Row-Crop Tractor which was manufactured in the 1950's and is still used on his family farm today.

DRUMS, PA — The annual Preservers of the Past Antique Machinery Show was held at Burger's Farm Market.

This beloved local event brings together history enthusiasts, collectors, and families to celebrate and preserve agricultural heritage. Attendees enjoyed a variety of fascinating displays featuring antique tractors, engines, machinery, and vehicles that offer a glimpse into the technological innovations of yesteryears. Exhibits showcased not only restored classics but also rare and unique machines that played vital roles in farming and industry throughout the decades.

In addition to machinery exhibits, the show includes a flea market, where visitors can browse an eclectic mix of vintage tools, parts, memorabilia, and handcrafted items. Local food vendors were on hand as well as artisans and collectors who brought a diverse array of goods, making it a must-visit spot for treasure hunters and antique lovers alike.

The Preservers of the Past Antique Machinery Show is not just an exhibition; it's a chance to connect with local history, learn about the evolution of farming technology, and meet fellow enthusiasts. Whether you're a history buff, machinery aficionado, or just looking or a fun and educational weekend.



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# The Anthracite Post Highlighting Neighborhood News & Events

### Letter from the Editors

Hello All! What's the buzz? To be honest, The Anthracite Post is!!!!! We are so excited about all of the encouragement and positive feedback we've gotten from our first issue. Stay tuned, because it is only going to get bigger and better as we share this adventure with you.

Summer is winding down as applefests and fall festivals are plentiful throughout the coming weeks. I don't know about you, but these warm days and cool nights are welcome after such a hot summer. You can feel it in the air that the Bloomsburg Fair is near. The local farm stands are loaded with fresh, homegrown crops to eat and can, and pumpkins, mums and corn stalks are available for your Fall decorating.

If you're out and about enjoying one of the local festivals, feel free to email us a photo and caption to publish in the centerfold. Email to TheAnthracitePost@gmail.com.

Keep an eye out for the next issue at your local shops. We are publishing every two weeks to bring you the latest and greatest community information.

As always, if you have any ideas, stories, recipes, photos etc., that you would like to submit for "The Anthracite Post", send us an email, text or give us a call.

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# September 2024

September begins with the big Labor Day holiday early in the month. As September arrives, summer vacations are in the rearview mirror. We look forward to indoor activities and fall events.

September and early October bring the last of the outdoor festivals and events. They center around the apple harvest and of course, pumpkins.

### MONTHLY CELEBRATIONS

- Baby Safety Month
- Chicken Month
- Better Breakfast Month
- Classical Music Month
- Fall Hat Month
- Happy Cat Month
- Hispanic Heritage Month
- Honey Month
- International Square-Dancing Month
- Little League Month
- National Blueberry Popsicle Month
- National Courtesy Month
- National Mushroom Month
- National Piano Month
- Self Improvement Month
- National Sewing Month
- World Beach Month
- Whole Grains Month

### WEEKLY EVENTS

National Indoor Plant Week
Third week if month.

### The Greater Hazleton Polonaise Society Celebrates 47 Years!

Submitted by: Michelle Faleshock, President of Hazleton Polonaise Society



The Greater Hazleton Polonaise Society will be celebrating Polish American Heritage Month with a dinner on October 20, 2024 at the Four Blooms Restaurant, 668 N. Hunter Highway, Drums, PA 18222.

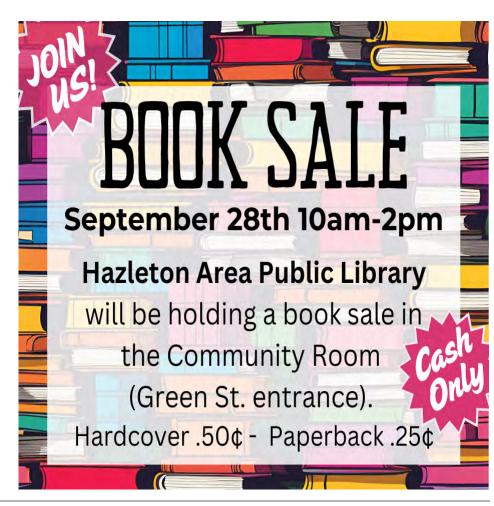
This will be the 47th anniversary of this celebration. During those years, the Polonaise Society has promoted programs and activities for the benefit of all Americans and promoted our Polish American Heritage.

Included among these have been our Scholarship Programs for local Students. This year we will be awarding The Reverend Louis Garbacik Memorial Scholarships to Jenna Harmonosky and Kiera Kupsho, both local students who have excelled in their studies. They are a credit to their families, their school and the Greater Hazleton Community.

Thomas Kopetskie, our recently deceased leader, was a driving force behind the Garbacik Scholarship program since its inception well over a decade ago.

If you are interested in attending the dinner on October 20, please contact either Michelle Faleshock, 570-592-3660 or Cheryl Sabol, 570-401-2555. The cost for the family style dinner is \$40 and the cutoff for reservations is October 10.

Part of the event includes Tricky Trays, and a 50/50 raffle. If you are interested in donating a Tricky Tray please call us. We hope to see you there.



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# Geisinger



From left: Hershel Cram and Merril Shaffer.

### Vet 2 Vet team enriches lives of patients and the community through their service

Celebrate the spirit of service with Hershel Cram and Merrill Shaffer, two retired veterans who continue to serve our community through the Vet 2 Vet program at Geisinger Lewistown Hospital (GLH) in Lewistown, PA. The program connects veteran volunteers with veteran patients, providing valuable camaraderie and support for all involved.

"We love celebrating the spirit of service that so many in our community have," said Kylle White, Volunteer Services manager, GLH, who accompanied the volunteers at the event. "It was amazing to interact with our community and connect them with the Vet 2 Vet program that partners our veteran volunteers with veteran patients."

"We love to honor our veterans in the hospital," said Hershel who resides in Lewistown. "When we visit the veteran patients in the hospital, we cheer them on and they cheer us on."

Merrill, a Mifflintown, Juniata

County resident, agreed and said, "It's a great program – I love it. It's time well spent."

Hershel and Merrill learned about Geisinger's Vet 2 Vet program after enjoying the organization's annual Veteran's Day dinner that took place in November 2023. Each take-home meal included information about the unique volunteer program. They reached out to Kylle and after a brief enrollment process, joined the volunteer team at GLH. They've been volunteering with Geisinger since early 2024.

"We're grateful for this program and everything Merrill and Hershel give to our patients through their time and compassion," Kylle said. "They're enriching the lives of our patients and community through their service."

Know a veteran eager to continue to serve, or interested in volunteering yourself? Explore Geisinger's volunteer programs: https://www.geisinger.org/about geisinger/volunteer ♥



# Senape's Tavern A Hazleton Tradition

Today, The Anthracite Post shines the spotlight on another locally-owned family business in the Anthracite region: Senape's Tavern. This business is located on North Vine Street in Hazleton. With a rich history dating back to 1908, Senape's has been a beloved coal region establishment enjoyed by generations of people. Who doesn't like tasty food at a reasonable price?

It all started when Gerard Senape's grandparents Saverio and Agnes ventured into the business world after an injury made Saverio Senape unable to continue working in the Lattimer coal mines. First it was a bakery, then they expanded to a restaurant and tap room. Prohibition forced them to change course and stop serving alcohol. Undeterred, the Senape family pivoted and opened a bakery in downtown Hazleton during those dry years of our nation. When Prohibition came to an end, the bar made a triumphant return, and it has been a local fixture ever since. Gerard and his wife, Mariann, assumed ownership in 1973, and their dedication remains evident as they continue to work together at Senape's with their family. The place is so great that there's been a documentary made about it and have had celebrity visits!

You may have noticed the spelling "pitza" and thought it was a typo. That's not the case at all, and it has a back story almost as old as the restaurant itself. It turns out the trademark pitza originated from a mistake that was made by a young employee who made the error when making up signs to advertise their trademark food. The typo stuck, and became the moniker for their artisan treat!

It's no secret that Senape's claim to fame is its unique creation—the Senapetizer. This Sicilian-style pizza is a true masterpiece. It is cut into 30 generous slices topped with a delightful array of flavors: romano cheese, steak & peppers, sausage, pepperoni, and white onions and olives. But that's not all when it comes to tasty food offerings! Senape's Tavern also makes a variety of other delectable choices including pasta, entrees, hoagies, and salads.

If you're visiting Senape's, The Anthracite Post staff wholeheartedly recommends trying the Senapetizer, —it's a culinary adventure you won't forget and a family favorite for us is the sausage and mushroom square pitza with an antipasto! Senape's Tavern is open Thursday through Sunday from 4 PM to 8 PM. Come savor the flavors and soak in the ambiance of this Hazleton gem. Enjoy your visit to Senape's Tavern!

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By State Sen. Dave Argall (R-Schuylkill/Carbon/Luzerne) As the state senator for Schuylkill, Carbon, and southern Luzerne counties, my most important job is to assist you with any governmentrelated issues you may have. To be as responsive as possible to the people I was elected to represent, I operate four district offices with our local state representatives.

Rep. Dane Watro and I share two offices – on Broad Street in downtown Hazleton, which can be reached at 570-521-9441, and on Centre Street in Mahanoy City, which can be reached at 570-773-0891. Rep. Tim Twardzik and I share an office in Pottsville, which can be reached at 570-621-3400. Rep. Doyle Heffley generously has shared his office in Weissport with me as well.

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Cabell Invites Seniors to Scam Seminar in Dallas on Oct. 7

By State Rep. Mike Cabell (R-Luzerne)

DALLAS – In his continuing effort to educate older residents about the latest financial fraud schemes and how to protect themselves, Rep. Mike Cabell (R-Luzerne) is hosting a scam seminar on Monday, Oct. 7, in Dallas.

The free event will begin at noon at the Meadows Manor Community Room, 200 Lake St. The doors will open at 10:30 a.m. A complimentary lunch will be provided at 11:15 a.m.

"Seniors are frequent targets of these unscrupulous scammers, who are always coming up with new ways to steal their money," said Cabell. "Area seniors are encouraged to join us and learn how to avoid becoming a scam victim."

The seminar will be led by David Shallcross, director of senior protection with the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General. Topics to be covered include safety tips and the latest holiday scams.

Reservations are required and can be made by calling Cabell's Dallas office at 570-675-6000. The registration deadline is Monday, Sept. 30.







# Resident Spotlight

### **Thomas Schmeckenbecher**

Thomas Schmeckenbecher has a master's degree in architectural engineering. He worked part time in the field until his father passed away. Thomas then joined his brother Danny in running the Schmeckenbecher Farm

The Schmeckenbecher Farm is over 300 acres and is located in Bradford County, PA. Thomas, along with his 4 brothers and 3 sisters grew up on the family farm.

The Dairy Farm housed hoasting cows (black and white milkers) and also a Farm Market which was a top market in Bradford County selling vegetables and of course, pumpkins in the Fall.

Thomas also has a green thumb, specializing in African Violets. Thomas grew Gladiolas which he sold at the Farm Market. Thomas' sister Barbara stated "He can grow anything". Barbara and her sisters brought their ailing house plants to Thomas to doctor.

## **Growing Up Psychic**

Submitted by: Kimberly Eisenhower



As a child, I always felt different from the other children my age. I was able to feel others' feelings and I had a knowing of events that were going to happen before they happened. I would see colors around people, and I thought everyone could also see these colors. I liked spending my time and playing with the kids that had the "pretty colors". One day. I said to my mother "I am going outside to play with the purple boy and yellow girl", and she looked surprised. She asked me what the names of the boy and girl were and, well,

I couldn't remember their names - only their colors. My mother then expressed that it wasn't normal to call someone a color, that I should always know their names. Ever since I was told that the things I could see were not normal, I pretended to be "normal".

It was hard growing up as a psychic and very sensitive to energy, especially since I didn't even understand what it was or what it meant. I wasn't able to share my experiences, so I kept quiet in order to not upset anyone. I was able to share some of my experiences with my younger sister, and she tried to understand. I would wake her up in the middle of the night to ask if I could sleep in her room, because I kept seeing a man in my closet. She would just say "okay" and go back to sleep. I feel as if she just wanted to be there for me, even though she really didn't understand what I was going through.

I hope to help children and teenagers understand energy and the spirit world, so they do not have fear of it. By having knowledge of their own psychic abilities, they will not be fearful and will be able to thrive by understanding their own power.

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All proceeds benefit Camp Louise.

### September Session of Junior Leadership Hazleton Focuses on the History of Hazleton

"The History of Hazleton" was the Junior Leadership Hazleton topic at their second session on Tuesday, September 10 at The First Presbyterian Church, Hazleton. The session continued at the Hazleton Art League, the Hazleton Launchbox and closed at the Greater Hazleton Historical Society and Museum.

Following announcements by Mike Dougherty JLH Program Coordinator and a welcome by Leadership Hazleton Board Chair Jane Dougherty, Joe Clark provided the students with a look at people and events which shaped the future of Hazleton.

"Hazleton is rich in colorful history and it's so important for everyone here, especially our young people, to be aware of that." said presenter Clark. "History is what helps develop a town or city and makes it what it is, and residents should all understand that and become familiar with our past."

The students then broke up into three teams and engaged in a classic game of Hazleton Jeopardy. The teams were challenged by thirty questions about the people, places, and events of Hazleton's past. The race was close, but Team #3 took it home!

Students then took a short walking tour downtown, first visiting The Hazleton Art League at the Hayden Family Center for the Arts where they admired the current "A Collection of Abstract Art Works-Robert R. Husty" and were given a center tour by Executive Director Mark Peterson.

Students then visited The Hazleton Launchbox where Bill Andahazy, Entrepreneurship Education Coordinator, guided the group through the facility. He explained the role of this unique startup accelerator and how it affords entrepreneurs opportunities and resources to advance their ideas and dreams.

The day closed at the Greater Hazleton Historical Society and Museum with Ron Marchetti as host. "The museum is really a downtown treasure" says JLH team member Ted Sherrock. "It has so many things for everyone to see that we felt it was really an important part of any session dealing with our past. We strongly urge people living in the Greater Hazleton Area to take the time to visit the Museum as it will surely bring back many warm memories to area residents who have lived here for years and give some insight to those who are new to the area." adds team member Pat Korb.

The next JLH session, "Community Service" is on Monday, October 14 at the Community One Center (The HIP Center).

Junior Leadership Hazleton is a program administered by Leadership Hazleton, an affiliate of the Greater Hazleton Chamber of Commerce. Funding for the program is provided, in part, by the CAN DO Community Foundation.





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### Watro to Host Senior Expo Sept. 19

By State Rep. Dane Watro (R-Luzerne/Schuylkill)

HAZLETON – In his continuing effort to improve the quality of life for older residents in the Hazleton area, Rep. Dane Watro (R-Luzerne /Schuylkill) will host his annual Senior Citizens Expo on Thursday, Sept. 19 with special co-host Senator Dave Argall.

The free event will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. inside Laurel Mall, 106 Laurel Mall Road in Hazle Township.

"There are many worthwhile programs and services available to seniors in our area," said Watro. "My expo makes it easier and more convenient to learn of this information by bringing everyone together in one place. I encourage seniors and their caregivers to make plans to join us and take advantage of this opportunity."

The expo will feature exhibitors from nonprofit agencies; local, state and federal governments; and area businesses that will provide information on a wide range of topics, including health care, insurance, nutrition and exercise, fire safety, financial planning, fraud protection, government and personal safety.

Free health screenings will also be offered, courtesy of area health care providers, including glucose, cholesterol and blood pressure. Please note the blood and glucose testing will be performed starting at 9 a.m. Participants are reminded to refrain from eating after midnight.

In addition, participants are invited to bring used eyeglasses for donation and any old or unwanted prescription drugs for safe disposal. For more information, please contact Watro's district office in Hazleton

at 570-453-1344.



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Dane Watro was happy to help cut the ribbon to officially open Lehigh Valley Health Network's new ExpressCARE and family practice office located at 384 Airport Beltway in Hazle Township,



State Representative Dane Watro and Major General James Joseph, former adjutant general and commander of the Pennsylvania National Guard.



The winners of the 2 Person Scramble 3D Competition at High Mountain Archery are Amy Bachert and Lilly Parks.



Mother and Daughter enjoying Kartune entertaining at the Sacco Chiropractic Patient + Community Appreciation Day



Pictured, from left, are Neal D'Angelo III, DHD Realty; Chris Pavlick, City of Hazleton Mayor's Office; George Hayden, DHD Realty; Mike Supey, RBL; Robyn Ruckle, RBL; Amy Harman, RBL; William Koch; RBL; Jennifer Barnasevitch, Greater Hazleton Chamber of Commerce; George Leitner, DHD Realty Sales; and Lucas Yencha from our office.



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Wally Boyle and Tim Samec enjoy lunch from Susie Q BBQ Food Truck at the High Mountain Archery Sportsman's Festival on Sept. 8th.



Pastor Philip K.Smith and his wife, Beverly aboard the Napa Valley Wine Train.



McAdoo Fire Company Food Fest potato cakes perfectly cooked by Daniel Leshko,



Pecora's Creamery first annual "Cars & Cones".



From left: Representative Dane Watro and Senator David Argall held a Town Hall meeting in McAdoo.



Members of Freeland VFW Post 5010 Auxiliary teamed up with other Post's auxiliary members to help facilitate a carnival at the Wilkes Barre VA Hospital on Sept. 8th.





# Theodore Roosevelt National Park, North Dakota and Eastern Montana by Car

Submitted by: Frank Balon

One of the least visited National Parks is Theodore Roosevelt National Park, located in western North Dakota. Spread over North and South Units, the park is filled with vistas of spralling bad-lands, high prairies, amazing rock formations and incredible wildlife. A large and thriving population of bison can be easily seen in herds numbering from a few dozen to several hundred. If you are lucky, you may glimpse big horn sheep, elk or a band of wild horses. Across the state border into Montana, is the wonderful Mikashoka State Park. Recommended to me by a local, I spent a day hiking the trails to a natural rock bridge and several vast scenic overlooks. The weather in the first week of September varied from the mid 40's in the morning to a high of 75 in the mid afternoon. The sky was deep blue with barely a touch of clouds. Perfect weather for sight seeing and hiking. From a historical perspective, Lewis and Clarke multi-year expedition to explore the Louisiana Purchase traveled thru these lands 220 years ago. The Lewis and Clarke Interpretive Center and Fort Mandan near Washburn ND was an interesting and informative visit on the site that the expedition wintered in 1804. President Theodore Roosevelt, our 26th president, loved the North Dakota badlands and spent much of his time in the area of the National Park that now bears his name.



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### Sports Trivia Treats By Ron Marchetti

### **History's First 2 Million Gate**

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What was the 1st sporting event to sell over 2 million dollars in tickets? 98 years ago at this time of the year on September 23, 1926, boxer Gene Tunney became heavyweight champion of the world when he recorded a unanimous 10 round round decision over Jack Dempey in Philadelphia. However, that is not the correct answer. On September 24. 1927 (1 year & 1 day later), Tunney defended his title in a rematch against Dempsey before a record crowd of over 105,000 at Soldier Field in Chicago. That event produced gate receipts of more than 2.6 million making it the first two million dollar gate in entertainment history. Dempsey knocked Tunney down in the 7th round but he was very slow moving to a neutral corner which you are by rule supposed to do on a knockdown. The start of the count was delayed seven seconds. Tunney rose to his feet at the count of nine and went on to win another unanimous decision. That bout was and still is remembered as "The long count fight". Both those fights did happen in late September in sports history almost 100 years ago. Now let's come back to this September. Strange things continue to happen. Aaron Judge recently hit 8 home runs in 9 days, but since, has not hit one out in his last 15 games at this writing. He was stuck on 51, but

he is still a lock on the A L MVP. Speaking of Aaron, Yankee manager 'Aaron Boone' has to go away at the end of this season hopefully. If George Steinbrenner senior was still kicking he would have been history before this season started. His best quality is chewing gum and blowing bubbles and if Notre Dame fails to move 'Riley Leonard' to backup quarterback soon. the Irish will fail to qualify for the 12-team playoffs at the end of this regular season. The upset to Northern Illinois at home was equal to 'Goliath losing to David'. But let's finish with a good shot. Our local hero "Bob Tucker', who played 11 years in the NFL with the Giants and Vikings is being honored all this Giants centennial season for being named as the 43rd best New York Giant of all time. #38 caught 422 passes (27 for touchdowns) along with 5,421 career yards. That is really a big deal. To be on the top 100 Giants players list is Awesome. He also had a great college career at Bloomsburg. Congratulations to him. He is in the very first class of the Hazleton Area Sports Hall of Fame (2005). Bob may have touched the ball mostly when he started for the Hazleton High Mountaineers football team in 1965 when he started at center. Til next time "Stay Loose"





### "The Origins of Pumpkin Spiced Beer: How Fall Found Its Favorite Beer"

For some, pumpkin and pumpkin spiced beer is fall's most beloved beverage and perhaps the official beer of sweater weather. But, how did we end up here, with many craft breweries pouring liquid pumpkin pies into pint glasses?

The story begins in early America. The colonists, desperate to brew something alcoholic, turned to pumpkins which were plentiful, to create something they could enjoy in the fall. Early pumpkin ales probably weren't exactly like the popular style we enjoy today but it did the job.

When life gives you pumpkins, you make pumpkin beer!

Fast forward a few centuries, and craft brewers had a revelation. What if we took this historic pumpkin brew and threw in cinnamon, nutmeg, and sometimes enough clove to spice up a whole Thanksgiving dinner? Boom! The pumpkin spiced beer renaissance was born.

Now, pumpkin and pumpkin spiced beers are everywhere with almost every brewery big or small offering at least one on their fall beer menu. So, if you love the blend of pumpkin and spices like we do, just remember, you're drinking history!

#### Jeff & Desiree Bonomo

Watch Jeff & Desiree talk about all things in the craft beverage world on Wine Hops and Road Stops on Service Electric Cable and Blue Ridge Cable or online at www.youtube.com/@winehopsroadstops and facebook.com/winehopsandroadstops



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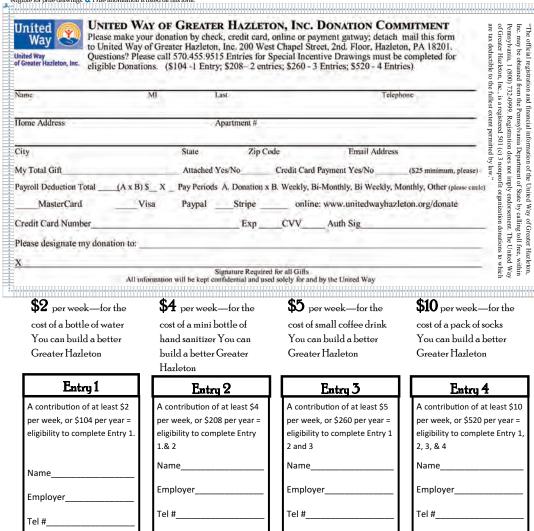
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L Prize drawings will be held at the Annual Meeting Event held annually in July. Winners will be notified within 24-hours either by telephone or certified mail. Proper identification is required. 2 All eligible contributions must be completed on United Way of Greater Hazleton entry stubs located on this donation commitment form. Each stub must include name, employer, and telephone number. All stubs must be returned to United Way office no later than 2 PM on December 31. 3, If a company does not use United Way pledge donation commitment forms, the company campaign coordinator is responsible for obtaining the proper promotion entry forms from the United Way of Greater Hazleton office. 4, Winners are required to sign a release and hold harmless agreement in favor of the sponsors and the United Way of Greater Hazleton and their respective agents and employees. Winners agree that the United Way of Greater Hazleton may use his or her name and photograph for publicity purposes. 5 Staff and board members of the United Way of Greater Hazleton and their immediate families including spouse, parents, and children are not eligible for prize drawings. 6. Prize information is listed on this form.



### Made in the 570: All things made and manufactured in NEPA



The staff at The Anthracite Post would like to share with you one of the many great items Made in the 570. In the heart of Pennsylvania's anthracite region lies Shenandoah, a small town rich in history and tradition. It's here that a local culinary legend began-a story that intertwines family, heritage, and the pursuit of sharing a beloved recipe with the world. Ted Twardzik, inspired by the bustling lines outside local churches where people eagerly bought pierogies, saw an opportunity to bring this cherished food to more tables.

His mother, Mary Twardzik, affectionately known as Mrs. T, was renowned in the family for her delicious homemade pierogies. With a heart full of nostalgia and a head full of business, enriched by his studies and work in New York. Ted decided to return to Shenandoah and transform his mother's kitchen creation into a business. In 1952, Mrs. T's Pierogies was born. Ted gathered a small team of five women around his mother's kitchen table, and together they began making and selling these flavorful dumplings to local stores.

The demand grew, and so did the business. Mrs. T's Pierogies became a staple not only in Shenandoah, but also in neighboring communities. Ted moved the production to a larger facility to keep up with the increasing popularity. More than just a business, Mrs. T's was a way for Ted to share a piece of his family's heritage with a wider audience.

Today, Mrs. T's Pierogies stands as the largest provider of pierogies in the United States, known for both its classic flavors and innovative new varieties. This success story is a testament to the enduring spirit of the anthracite region - a place where local craftsmanship and heartfelt traditions blend to create something that is truly special. As the crisp fall air returns and the leaves begin to turn, Mrs. T's Pierogies is gearing up to celebrate National Pierogy Day on October 8th. This day not only honors the humble pierogy but also the vibrant traditions and community spirit of Shenandoah.

To mark the occasion, Mrs. T's will feature some autumnal favorites, including a special treat: Mini Pumpkin Spice Pierogies. These limited-edition pierogies are packed with the flavors of pumpkin, cinnamon, and ginger, wrapped in tender pasta, and are available as part of a giveaway celebrating Mrs. T's 70th anniversary. Be part of the #PierogySquad this National Pierogy Day. Mrs. T's Pierogies continues to bring families together, one delicious bite at a time.





# What's New at the Bloomsburg Fair

The Anthracite Post recently attended media day and learned about all of the exciting new attractions being added to the 169th Bloomsburg Fair. So many exciting additions are being added this year.

With so many new things happening this year we decided to highlight some of the exciting activities.

- Bloom Bar Build Your Own Bouquet (Horticulture Hall)
- Cowboy Andy Rotz Wild West Showdown (Behind Education Building)
- Dad Joke Contest (Keystone Ag Center)
- Hot Air Balloon Rides (Infield)
- New Surprise Exhibit (Keystone Ag Center)
- Stop Hopper Ride Service (Gate 3)
- Yuengling Beer (Grandstand Only) 60 New Vendors - Over 900 Total

Can you guess what the new surprise exhibit is? For full details about highlighted new items visit the website at: bloomsburgfair.com/new

For the new vendor list visit bloomsburgfair.com/newvendors For the full vendor list visit bloomsburgfair.com/vendors Of course loads of entertainment including free stage, grandstand entertainment, and more.

Here are some frequently asked questions about the fair and their answers:

What are the hours of the fair? Friday, Sept. 20th 2:00 PM to 10:00 PM (Building, Vendor, & Ride Hours Vary) Saturday, Sept. 21 to Saturday, Sept. 28 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM (Building, Vendor, & Ride Hours Vary) Detailed hours listed on FAQ page What are the ticket office hours? Monday through Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Where can I buy advance gate tickets? Three ways to purchase! At any Weis Markets Grandstand Ticket Office next to the grandstand

Online - bloomsburgfair.com/tickets or etix.com

Frequently Asked Questions can be found on our website at bloomsburgfair.com/faq if the answer is not listed feel free to contact the fair office Phone: 570-784-4949 Email: info@bloomsburgfair.com Facebook/Instagram: @bloomsburgfair



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By Joseph Barna • Freeland USMC, Korea 1952-1953

Our life is about memories. I have so many. I do not want to forget them. I would like to tell you the story of two young boys. One I will call Jackie Age 21. At age 17 he became a sailor and eventually became a Navy corpsman. The other I will call joe. He went into the military at age 21 and found himself a Marine. Jackie and Joe met in a country called Korea where there was a terrible war going on. Jackie got there a couple of months before Joe and was the first one Joe met in Korea. He said to Joe I'm your corpsman John Kilmer. If you get wounded just yell for Doc. I'll try to find you and patch you up. I was that young Marine.

My assigned weapon was a 68 lb flame thrower. Jackie and I both shared the same bunker and became very close friends. Jackie's Job was to cure. My job was to kill. Although at first, I didn't know if I could. I had doubts if I could fill the combat boots of any of those brave Marines he had heard of fighting and dying in World War II. It wasn't long before I found out that I could kill. In my first battle I went out with Jackie, who had his little black bag. I watched Jackie save a wounded Marine. I knew then that I had the courage and the strength to be a Marine. Marines are crazy but they are good. Jackie and I would share this bunker sleeping on a cold dirt floor trying to eat K rations by heating them on candles my parish priest would send me. They would warm the cans of beans, sausage patties and terrible Corned Beef hash. No hot coffee, pizza or McDonald's. In the quiet times we would talk about our families back home.

Doc ended up treating me three times. One time I was knocked down by a shell and lying on my back. I was pinned down by my flamethrower. A Korean soldier came at me with his bayonette. I can still see his face and smell the garlic on his breath. I was able to turn, and instead of getting it in the heart, I got it on my left arm. I had a sawed-off shotgun taped to the arm of the flame-thrower. I gave him both barrels. Slumping down, I was bleeding very badly and I thought I was about to fall asleep. When I Heard a Voice it was dark. He said wake up Maureen God doesn't want you yet. He carried me into a bunker and closed up my wound. My 4-in scar shows the bill. That night I owed a 21-year-old Korman 72 years of my life. I am 94 today.

Jackie came home 5 weeks later in a box covered with an American flag. He was sent to another mountain being attacked and saved dozens of marines. In a battle, he was wounded and while being treated he heard again the cries for Doc outside the bunker. He was told by a sergeant, if you go out you'll die. Jackie replied, if I don't go out they'll die. Jackie crawled out and treated the Marines. The enemy began heavy shelling. Jackie threw himself over the two Marines. A shell landed so close, that Jackie received 18 pieces of shrapnel in his body. The Marines lived and Jackie died.

He was the bravest man I ever met or will meet. He received the Purple Heart the Navy cross and the Medal of Honor. Each year in San Antonio Texas, the Navy honors Jackie. Knowing that we fought together, the people at San Antonio asked me to write about our friendship. In August 2022, the 70th anniversary of his death, a very good friend told me he was going to take me to the ceremony. I had my chance to be with him again. First I spoke at the hospital wing named Kilmer Hall in front of 250 Naval personnel and Navy corpsmen. The next day I spoke at the cemetery where he has slept for 70 years under a blanket of grass.

I knelt down alongside his grave and began to talk. I know that he heard me. I could almost hear him say I knew you would come corporal. I'm waiting for you but don't hurry. I got you a cloud to sleep on. Don't forget to bring that candle. God made only one mistake he took Jackie too early. Why couldn't he give him half of the years that Jackie gave me. It's all about Who We Are what we did and how much we love each other.

# **Upcoming Community Events**

September 19th - 9am til 1pm Senior Expo hosted by State Representative Dane Watro & Special Co-Host Senator Dave Argall at the Laurel Mall in Hazle Township

#### September 20th through 28th The 169th Bloomsburg Fair - The Largest Agricultural Fair in Pennsylvania

Food, food, food, all types of entertainment, vendors, games, amusements, rides, games, hot air balloon rides, monster trucks, demolition derby, bull ride mania, harness racing, agricultural exhibits, arts & crafts exhibits, educational exhibits, horticultural exhibits, agricultural exhibits, livestock exhibits, barns filled with chickens, ducks, dogs, rabbits, cows, pigs, goats, sheeps, horses, ponies, and more! and so many new things added this year!

#### September 22nd

### Lions Clubs of District 14W Designer Purse Bingo Benefit

Doors Open at 1pm Games at 2pm Good Shepherd Church Route 309 in Drums Tickets \$30 in advance; \$35 at the door, 15 games and four specials. Food for purchase. Contact Chris Pacelli 570-233-4511 or Rafael Billet at 570-578-6390

### September 28th - 10am til 2pm Book Sale Hazleton Area Public Library

in the Community Room Green Street entrance in Hazleton - cash only - hardcover .50 cents paperback. 25c ents

### September 28th - 9am til 3:30pm Hazleton Rapid Transit Car Show to Benefit Autism Awareness

Carmen's Country Inn, 364 Freedom Road, Drums.

### September 28th - 12:30pm Second Annual Fore the Love of HARP Golf

Tournament at the Sugarloaf Golf Club

September 28th - 11am till 4pm Fall Festival at Camp Louise Center for Recreation and Education

### September 29th - 1 till 5 pm

**"Do it for Donna Benefit"** Spaghetti dinner/ tricky trays and more at Valley Regional Fire and Rescue Hall

### September 29th - 12 till 4pm

Fall Festival Lake Marie in Beaver Meadows music, hayrides, kids crafts, smore making, bounce house scaregrow contect, chili cockoff, vendor craft

house, scarecrow contest, chili cookoff, vendor craft show.

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### October 12th - 10am till 6pm Bee Organic

213 West Butler Drive, Drums Chicks & Petting Zoo, Forged Fate Performance Horse & Pony Rides, Corn Hole Tournament, Food Vendors, craft vendors, picture wagon for photos, face painting, mums, pumpkins

### October 12th

**Butler Township Fall Festival** Join us for Trunk-n-Treat, Games & Food, Crafters, Vendors, and Much More... Parade at 12 noon Trunk-n-Treat 12 noon to 4 PM Crafters, Vendors, Food Vendors 12 noon to 4 PM.

### October 12th

**Benefit for Lucas** 

Y.M.P.A. rear 700 Seybert Street, Hazleton Tricky Trays, Bake Sale, 50/50, raffle items, money wheel, food sale, beverage sales, DJ Rockin' Ray, children's activities, and so much more!

### October 12th 12 til 6pm 1st annual "Coptoberfest"

hosted by Salem Twp P.D and Salem Twp Parks, Events, & Rec. Board. Tommy Guns Band, breweries, a winery, food/craft vendors, basket raffles & activities for the kids. Tickets available online at: https://www.salemtwppolice.com/eventdetails/

Fun for the entire family. There will be activities for the kids..... face painting, pumpkin patch, crafts, etc. Kids 12 years-old and under are free! www.salemtwppolice.com

### October 13th - Noon to 3pm Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner

Church of St. Richard 799, Barnesville Advance Order: Eat In or Take Out- Cost \$15 platter consists of roasted pork, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, applesauce, roll and choice vanilla or chocolate cake. To purchase tickets, contact Joann Dombowski 570-640-1034.

#### October 19th 1st Annual Harvest Street Party

presented by the West Hazleton Fire Company 12 South 4th Street West Hazleton There will be Touch A Truck! Come see various service vehicles! Tricky Trays, Delicious Food and More! See you there! If you'd like to Donate a Tricky Tray, send a message via facebook to the West Hazleton Fire Company!

#### October 19th - 6 til 10pm Witches Ball

at Four Blooms Restaurant to benefit Camp Louise Center for Outdoor Recreation & Education. DEADLINE to buy tickets is October 5th in order to give Four Blooms a head count. Get 'em while you can. Online sales only @ tinyurl.com/WitchesBall2024. No tickets will be sold at the event.

### October 20th

#### **Greater Hazleton Polonaise Society's Polish American Heritage Month Dinner** RSVP by Thursday October 10th

Four Blooms in Drums. Family - Style Dinner, tricky trays, and 50/50 Raffle

### October 26th - 9 am till 2 pm

Indoor Community Yard Sale St. Michael's Recreation Center 300 Fern Street - Freeland Numerous Vendors with New and Old items and Crafters will be selling their goods. A Bake Sale will be featured along with Tricky-Tray Chances and much more. Delicious Homemade Foods will be available for Eat-In or Take-Out. This is a Rain or Shine Event. No Early Birds

### October 26th

#### **Fraternal Order of Police Softball Tournament** Valley East Little League Complex

\$200 per Team. First Place wins a medal proceeds benefit: Fraternal Order Of Police Christina Lodge #84. All Entry Fees Must be received by October 19th to register email: Imontoya@butlertownship.org

### October 22nd 4 til 6pm

4th Annual Trunk or Treat at Panther Valley Intermediate School Lansford

#### October 26th - 4 til 6pm Valley Chiefs First Annual Trunk or Treat at Joe Larock Field Sugarloaf

October 27th - 1 til 3pm

### Trail of Treats

at City View Park Hazleton

If you would like your event listed free of charge to this page please email us at : theanthracitepost@gmail.com or call or text 570-582-0981 or 570-401-1798. If you would like your event to be include on this free event page, please contact us via email or telephone.



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