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The Hazleton Art League Partners with Damenti's Ice Bar for January, 2025

The Hazleton Art League is excited to announce its partnership with Damenti's Restaurant, located at 5 Bowman's Mill Road in West Hazleton, for the renowned Ice Bar event, ICE4U2C. Running from January 10–30, 2025, this annual attraction combines the magic of winter with the creativity of local artistry.

Visitors to the Ice Bar will marvel at intricate ice sculptures crafted by master ice carvers from both near and far while soaking in the artistic ambiance at Damenti's. The Ice Bar tradition began in 1986 when Kevin McDonald created a small ice castle for his daughter's 3rd birthday, and he and his wife Helen have carried it forward ever since. "Helen and I believe the Ice Bar is a true asset to our community and NEPA, as there are only a handful of Ice Bars in the U.S.," Kevin said. "Damenti's welcomes everyone to experience this unique winter attraction."

In addition to the ice sculptures, local artists will display and sell their creations, giving attendees the chance to support the arts while acquiring one-of-a-kind works. Visitors can also purchase raffle tickets for a chance to win prizes valued at \$250 or



more, generously donated by community partners. Proceeds from ticket and raffle sales will benefit the Hazleton Art League's programs and initiatives.

The Hazleton Art League is seeking volunteers to assist with ticket sales and to promote its programs at the Hayden Family Center for the Arts in downtown Hazleton. Volunteering is a meaningful way to connect with the community and support local arts and culture.

During this time, visitors are encouraged to stop by the Hazleton Art

League to view its current exhibition, Bob McCormick: Reclamation — From Coal Dust to Hope. This thought-provoking collection, coinciding with Anthracite Coal Month, delves into life in the Anthracite Coal Mining Region, showcasing the resilience of the area through deeply emotional artworks. Each painting tells a story, and McCormick's book, which further explores his artwork, is available for purchase at the Art League.

The Hazleton Art League also invites the community to consider membership for 2025. Members enjoy exclusive benefits, including updates on exhibitions, access to cultural events, and discounts on art

classes for all ages. Membership not only provides these perks but also supports the League's mission to foster creativity and enrich the community.

Don't miss this opportunity to experience a one-of-a-kind winter event while championing local art and culture. For more information about volunteering or membership, contact the Hazleton Art League at 570-455-3333 or visit hazletonartleague.org.



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Letter from the Editors

Hello All! Well, here we are. Christmas is less than a week away. Are you shopped out yet? I am and I'm not done yet - almost done. I just need to hit the stores this weekend to finish off my Mom and then I have to get a few gifts for one of the residents at work - Kadima Skilled Nursing Home. The staff members all "adopt" a resident for Christmas to buy gifts for. Let me tell you, they make out good. The residents are like our second family.

Last Sunday I ended up driving to Penn's Peak for a gift for my brother - 2 tickets to see *Dead On Live*. Since I was there I also got myself a gift - 2 tickets to see *Robert Cray* in April. That's the bad thing about Christmas shopping, so many good things to buy, so much good stuff on sale. I can't help but buying for myself too.

Keep your small businesses in mind while finishing up your shopping lists. They are the same people who help support your community events.

From our families to yours - Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! The Anthracite Post looks forward to promoting local community events and local small businesses in 2025.

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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December 2024

You could say that December is one big holiday. It includes the big ones like Christmas, New Year, Hanukah and Kwanza. It also includes a plethora of December National holidays and, December International holidays for us to enjoy. Many of them are seasonal holidays like "Festivus for the Restivus", "Christmas Card Day", and "Hum Bug Day". Make sure you take a little time from your busy holiday shopping and preparation, to thoroughy enjoy all of the December holidays.



MONTHLY CELEBRATIONS

- Bingo Month
- National Fruitcake Month
- Safe Toys and Gifts Month
- World Food Service Safety Month
- Write a Friend Month



EVENTS

Week 1 - National Handwashing Awareness Week

Week 2 - Human Rights Week
Thank a Soldier Week - the week

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Argall Appointed Chair of Senate Majority Policy Committee

By State Sen. Dave Argall (R-Schuylkill/Carbon/Luzerne)

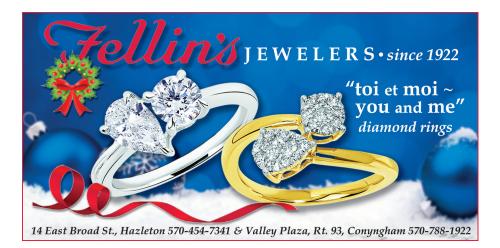
HARRISBURG - State Sen. Dave Argall (R-29) has again been appointed by Senate President Pro Tempore Kim Ward (R-39) as chairman of the Senate Majority Policy Committee for the 2025-26 legislative session. In this role, Argall continues his tenure as a member of the Senate Majority Leadership Team, the first senator from the 29th district in Schuylkill, Carbon, and Luzerne counties to serve in Senate leadership since the 1860s.

'Senator Argall will be a key member of the Senate Majority Leadership Team for the 2025-26 legislative session," said Ward. "Having served on seven Senate committees last session, Dave's experience and knowledge on the issues provide him with a keen understanding on matters important to Pennsylvanians and make him a natural fit to serve as Chairman of the Majority Policy Committee."

'Chairing the Majority Policy Committee allows me to examine a great variety of legislative ideas through public hearings and careful review, including the shortage of quality housing, the spread of blight, and the impact of crime on our largest cities and smallest neighborhoods," said

Under Argall's leadership, the Majority Policy Committee has crisscrossed the state, holding hearings on the impact of covid-19 lockdowns on employers and schools, waste and abuse in state welfare programs, and repeat DUI offenders.

Argall also chaired ten public roundtables throughout Pennsylvania on school safety, hearing from parents, students, and educators. Since then, Pennsylvania has invested hundreds of millions of new dollars into school security enhancements and student mental health support.





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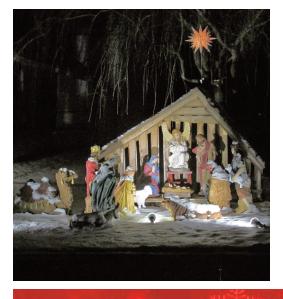
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December 24 - 4 PM and 8 PM December 25 - 8:30 AM and 9:30 AM



Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship

Mt. Zion Lutheran Church 37 Faux Hill Road Zion Grove, PA 17985 7:30 PM

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

260 Mahanoy Street Nuremberg, PA 18241 10:30 PM







BOILO: THE GOAL REGION'S SIGNATURE DRINK

If Pennsylvania's Coal Region has a signature drink, it must be boilo. This holiday drink is for those who enjoy a much stronger version of a hot toddy with some added, usually secret ingredients.

Boilo, is a honey-sweetened, citrusy, spiced whiskey concoction that's boiled (hence the name) and usually served hot. It's a family tradition in many Pennsylvania homes, especially around Christmas, where recipes are guarded like grandma's cookie secrets. Classic ingredients include oranges, lemons, honey, cinnamon, cloves, and most importantly a generous amount of whiskey. it's the drink that warms your soul and might just ignite it.

Legend has it that boilo's origins trace back to Lithuanian immigrants who brought their recipes to coal country. Over time, it evolved into a high-octane, citrus-spiked marvel that's perfect for warding off the winter chill or impressing your in-laws with your iron stomach.

The unspoken rule of boilo? Never ask what proof it is. You'll taste it soon enough. Be safe out there this holiday season and enjoy the Coal Region's signature holiday drink.

-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

Hazleton Rotary Prepares for Kids Coatz



Members of the MMI Preparatory School Interact Club, Yoreimy Aponte, Kayleigh Erickson, Maia Laverty, Nora Herseim, Lanie Paniagua, Diane Kim, Georgia Washko, Ruhani Shah, Evan Polanco got together on a snowy, very cold winter day to sort and pack Kids Coatz.

Many lucky children from the Greater Hazleton Area will be warmer during the upcoming winter season, thanks to the Hazleton Rotary Kids Coatz project.

Ever since the Kids Coatz project took off in 2007, Hazleton Rotary has continued the work and effort put into purchasing, sorting and delivering winter coats to area children. This year the MMI students were the major source of help with the project.

Working with local retailers, primarily Boscov's, brand new coats were purchased for children who need them and attend all elementary/middle schools in the Hazleton Area School District. Children who will receive coats were confidentially

identified by their teachers. Coats will be distributed to the schools later this month.

Rotarians Rossanna Gabriel and Katherine Silfa are project chairs and Lani Drobnock is the advisor for the MMI Club.

This has always been an awesome project. Through the years Rotary noticed that there were kids going to school who were definitely not dressed for the cold, winter days. It's a great feeling for Rotarians to be able to bring this warmth into their lives. The extra plus this year was the help of the MMI Interact Club and we hope this leads to them becoming Hazleton Rotarians in future years.





Representative Dane Watro

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More Retirees Eligible for Reduced-Fee Vehicle Registration

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

A new state law I supported to allow more Pennsylvania retirees to qualify for a reduction in their vehicle registration fee takes effect on Sunday, Dec. 15.

The benefit now will be available to retired persons earning up to \$29,906, an increase of more than \$10,000 from the prior income eligibility limit. Those who qualify will pay an \$11 processing fee to register their vehicle each year, rather than the standard \$45 registration fee.

Qualified applicants must be retired and receiving Social Security or other pension payments. Please note, 100% of a veterans' benefit payment or payment to the unmarried surviving spouse, upon the death of a veteran, should be excluded from the income calculation.

The applicant must be listed as an owner on the vehicle's registration and only one vehicle per qualified applicant may be registered for the reduced fee. Qualifying vehicles must be a passenger car or truck with a registered gross weight of not more than 9,000 pounds.

Visit www.pa.gov to learn more about the program or contact one of my district offices for assistance.



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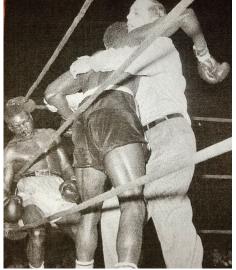
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Sports Trivia Treats

By Ron Marchetti

A Fight to the Death



The televised Saturday night bout took place in front of 7,600 fans at New Yorks' Madison Square. 'Emile Griffiths' and 'Benny Kid Paret' had fought twice before for the World Welterweight Title, each winning once, but their fight took on a whole new dimension. It turned into a sheer horror. In the 12th round, pinning Paret in a corner, Griffith unloaded at least 10 consecutive right uppercuts to the chest and head. Fans jumped to their feet, many pleading for referee Ruby Golstein to intervene, but Goldstein did not interrupt because Paret was still standing only because of the corner ring post. He was out on

his feet. Griffith continued with a barrage of savage blows as Paret's head snapped to and fro from the punches. The kids' eyes were closed and his arms had fallen to his hips. Fans begged and screamed to "stop the Fight" but Goldstein didn't step in until Griffith had landed more than 20 barbaric punches. Even then, the ref had to struggle to restrain the attacker as if prying a lion off a fresh carcass. As the Cuban slid off the post and fell to the canvas, the sound of Griffiths' punches echoed in the mind like a heavy axe in the distance chopping into a wet log. All eyes turned to Paret , who had fallen limp to the ring floor. Doctors hovered over the unconscious fighter for eight minutes before transporting him to the dressing room on a stretcher and then to the hospital. Paret remained in a coma for 10 days before he died on April 3rd, 1962. The whole experience was sad and sickening, and it haunted those who had witnessed the sanctioned killing in person. Parets wife Lucy was pregnant, at that time with a two year old son. She never remarried. Till the next time, be a good sport and 'Stay Loose'.

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A Veterans Journal #95

By Joseph Barna • Freeland *USMC*, *Korea 1952-1953*



Mr. Barna is a 5-time National Gold Medal Winning Author in the Annual Veteran's Administration Creative Arts Festival. In the competition, he is judged against thousands of entries from the 140 V.A. Facilities nationwide. In 2020, Joe made his mark on the competition by winning two Gold Medals in the same year. Follows is the second of these Gold-Medal winners, "God Makes Angels and Navy Corpsmen". This story's success and impact would provide the inspiration for Joe's book the following year.

God Makes Angels and Navy Corpsmen I would like to share a story about a

I would like to share a story about a Navy Corpsman. A man who saved my life on top of a mountain in Korea. He gave me 66 more years of life. His name was John "Jackie" Kilmer. He was just a boy from Michigan who loved Marines and wanted to save as many as he could. His face is forever cemented in my mind and my heart. Jackie was tall, maybe 6 feet 2 inches, and very thin. He had a high squeaky voice: Like the Wally Cox TV character Mr. Peepers. In those few quiet times between battles, I shared a bunker with Jackie and we became good friends.

The Navy corpsman is a wounded Marine's best hope to survive. On the battlefield, there are no doctors or nurses. In my 13 months in Korea, I never saw an ambulance, field hospital or MASH Unit. There were 2 Corpsmen assigned to a platoon. During the Korean War, 108 Corpsman were killed on the battlefield.

I arrived in Korea in June of 1952. I was trucked to my unit: Company B. Weapons Company, 1st battalion, 1st Regiment, 1st Marine Division. We ended up on a road leading to a mountain hundreds of feet over our heads. There was almost no vegetation or trees left on the mountain sides because of the constant shelling. We got off the truck and began to walk up a trench for the final several hundred feet. I thought I was climbing to Heaven, but I would find out I was going to Hell. I saw a lot of tired Marines all around the trench at the top of the hill. My first real battle came here a few weeks later. This mountain was called "Bunker Hill." This hill was a gateway to Seoul and if taken by the North Koreans and the Chinese, it would have changed the outcome of the war.

Every Marine that I ever fought alongside was my hero. I watched so many fight and die. The relationship among combat Marines is beyond friendship, it is beyond love. Assigned to Weapons Company, the first weapon given to me was a M2 flame thrower. Fully fueled, the flamethrower weighs 70 pounds. In Korea, I stood 5 foot 9 inches tall and weighed about 157 pounds. The battle of Bunker Hill was one of the bloodiest battles of the Korean War. I witnessed courage there that I will never forget.

During the battle, I was knocked down by a shell. As I found myself laying on my back, the half-full flamethrower tank pinning me to the ground, a North Korean soldier came at me with his bayonet. In his quilted suit, he seemed to come out of nowhere. I can still see his face and smell the garlic on his breath. As he lunged at me, I was able to turn, but he stabbed my upper left arm with his bayonet. I had a double barrel shotgun taped on the arm of my flame thrower and gave him both barrels. I think I blew him in half. The battle kept going on around me. Weapons fire was all around me and I heard other boys being hit and falling. I laid there feeling weak as blood from my deep wound seeped out on the Korean dirt. I must have been ready to blackout when I heard a familiar voice say, 'Joe, if I don't close up that wound, you'll die ' Jackie found me in the chaos. He took off my flame thrower and carried me into a bunker. He cleaned my wound. I felt no pain as he sewed it closed with the needle and thread he pulled out if his medical kit. After he tightly bandaged my arm, I returned to the ongoing fire-fight.

Several weeks later, Jackie was called to go to a nearby battle to help with the wounded. During this battle, he was hit with shrapnel and was taken into a bunker to be treated. From inside the bunker, he heard Marines calling out for help. Looking out, he saw 2 wounded men on the battlefield. The sergeant told him that if he would go out there, he would die. Jackie replied, 'If I don't go out there, they will die!' He crawled out to them and began to treat their wounds. As he did, a heavy round of shelling came in. Jackie threw himself over the 2 Marines. A shell landed so close that he received 15 pieces of shrapnel into his body. Jackie died, but the 2 Marines lived. He was 6 days short of his 22nd birthday.

Jackie Kilmer was posthumously awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor. His medal was presented to his mother. Shortly after I arrived home in 1953, I was able to call Jackie's mother in Flint, Michigan. I told her that he was the bravest man I ever met. Jackie now rests in a grave in San Antonio, Texas. I carry a picture of my hero John 'Jackie' Kilmer, in a pocket, close to my heart. God makes Angels and Navy Corpsmen.

Joe is the author of "God Makes Angels and Navy Corpsmen: A Korean War Veteran's Memories of the War and Life". The book can be purchased on Amazon.com or directly from the author.

Nescopeck & Hickory Run State Parks **Interpretive Programs Winter 2024**



- Registration is required for some of these programs. Visit our website: https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/In the event of inclement weather, some program locations may be adjusted:
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- ** In the event of rain or a thunderstorm, this program will be canceled.

 *** In the event of rain, this program will be held at the Visitor Center porch or classroom

		Meeting Location	Time	Duration
SATURDAY, DEC 21	WINTER SOLSTICE LIGHT HIKE	Nescopeck State Park	4:30 PM	3 Hours

Venture out on the shortest day of the year to join us in welcoming winter with a self-guided illuminated walk around Lake Frances Arrive any time between 4:30 and 7:30 PM. Clean-up will begin at 8 PM. Sign in at the park office before following the 300+ lanterns on a 1-mile flat and easy walk around the lake and back.

WEDNESDAY, JAN 1	FIRST DAY HIKE	Lehigh Gorge State Park White Haven South Access*	AM	1.5 Hours

Registration required. Welcome in the new year with an easy 2-mile walk on the rail trail from White Haven to Tannery and back. Well behaved and leashed dogs are welcome.

Please meet at the Lehigh Gorge State Park parking area directly off PA-940E. Coordinates: 41°03'05.4"N 75°46'21.6"W

WEDNESDAY, JAN 1	FIRST DAY HIKE	Nescopeck State Park Wooden Bridge*	1 PM	2 Hours
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Registration required. Welcome in the new year with an easy 2.5-mile hike through the park, passing along the Nescopeck Creek. Come prepared with sturrdy footwear and layers for the weather. This route is not stroller friendly, so plan accordingly! Well behaved and leashed dogs are welcome. Please meet at the bulletin board by the wooden bridge that leads from the first parking area off the driveway. 41°05′27.2"N 75°52′50.0"W

THURSDAY, JAN 2, JAN 16,		Hickory Run State Park	10 AM	45 Minutes
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Registration is required. Join park staff for a short children's story and a craft. The story and craft are chosen with ages 3-8 in mind, but the whole family is welcome. Please register every person who will attend, adults included

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FEB 14, FEB 28, MARCH 14	CHIRP AND CHAT	Visitor Center Lobby***	9 AM	1 Hour
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center. Learn some identification basics from a field guide and enjoy the winter views. Several pairs of binoculars will be available to use. Bring a hot beverage to enjoy if you choose

SATURDAY, JAN 18	BIRDS AND BEANS	Hickory Run State Park Visitor Center***	9 AM	2 Hours
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Registration is requested. Birding doesn't mean you have to go out in the cold, you could simply join us anytime from 9-11 AM to watch the bird feeders with a hot beverage like tea, cocoa, or bird-friendly coffee! Chat with park staff to learn about bird ID. winter bird feeding, and more!

SATURDAY, JAN 18	OPEN AIR STITCHING: THIMBLEBERRY	Hickory Run State Park Park Office Exhibit Hall***	9 AM	2 Hours
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Join our local yarn shop, Thimbleberry, for some comfy stitching at Hickory Run! Stop by any time, bring a project, and enjoy some chatting!

SATURDAY, JAN 25 BIRDS	AND BEANS	Park Office***	9 AM	2 Hours
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Registration is required. Join us anytime in the two-hour time frame to hone your bird identification skills by watching the bird feeders while enjoying a hot beverage such as tea, hot cocoa, or bird-friendly coffee. Park staff will be on hand to answe questions about bird identification, selecting a bird field guide, winter bird feeding, and other bird-y interests you may have

WEDNESDAY, JAN 29	WOMEN IN THE WILDS: EAGLE WATCH	Park Office*	9 AM	7 Hours
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Registration required. All women and non-binary folks are welcome to join us in our cozy big van as we search for wintering bald eagles along the Lackawaxen and Upper Delaware Scenic Rivers. Sightings are likely but not guaranteed, as our van will make many stops at hotspots to get out and search. Due to the nature of the program and locations, we will not be allowing additional vehicles to follow. We'll also make stops for restrooms and lunch, but participants should plan for a full day in the field; pack a drink, snack, and dress to be outdoors. Participants will be responsible to cover the cost of their own lunch and snacks

> We will also have free snowshoe loaners at Nescopeck State Park if we get 6 inches of snow or more. Call the office for more info. 570-403-2006

Hazleton Rotary Inducts New Members



Hazleton Rotarians recently attended a new member induction at Booty's Place, Hazleton, December 11, 2024.

Hazleton Rotary held a new member induction at a special meeting on December 11th at Booty's Place, 1087 N. Church Street, Hazleton.

Past President Pat Ward called the meeting to order. President Alan Whitaker welcomed everyone and thanked Kathie Oh for organizing the event.

Paul Harris Awards were presented by President Elect Joan Buffington and Vice President Paul Oswald to Mark Ondishin, Michelle Genetti, Tim Genetti (4th) and Nina Bonus.

Dave Palmer, District Polio Plus Chair, presented Tim Genetti with a Polio Plus Society Pin which is given to recognize Rotarians who commit to End Polio by giving a recurring \$100.00 donation each year. Any Rotarian can join by simply filling out an application which Hazleton Rotary can provide to any interested member.

Rotary District 7410 Governor Bill Skinner inducted the following new members: Craig Bonham, Melissa Boham, Kevin Brobst, Peggy Durako, Michael Gaizick, Michael Larocca, Dishmey Lissett, John Niles, Michael Screenock and Laura Stancu.

District Governor Elect Tim Genetti introduced the group to the "ABCs of Rotary"

"New members are encouraged to take advantage of their club membership and become active participants in meetings, fundraisers and special events, as well as, enjoying club social activities." said President Whitaker. "Congratulations and welcome to our new members! I'm so excited for our club and the growing potential to do more great things."



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