

\* School Affairs and People in the News \*

# Successful Free Lunch at Christ Episcopal Church



There was a large turnout for the Free Lunch at the Christ Episcopal Church on Saturday, January 26. The free lunch is held there every month. Diners enjoyed Zazzera's Famous Kielbasi among other items.

## Food Pantry Program for Feb. in Lakewood

The Wayne County Food Pantry Program announces the February 2019 schedule.

The Lakewood Area Pantry will be held at the Northern Wayne Family Health Center, 412 Como Rd., Lake Como, Pa 18437, from 12:30pm - 2:30 pm, on Wednesday February 20th, 2019. For an emergency need call 798-2229.

In case of inclement weather, please call 253-4646 two hours before the start of your distribution day for an automated message. For information about how to register with a pantry, you should call 253-4262. Please bring large brown paper bags & plastic bags with you each month to recycle. Bring Campbell's labels to distribute to schools. If you are unable to attend, you may ask someone to pick your food up for you. However, they must have your pantry card and a note/proxy giving them permission to pick up your food. USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

## Ombudsman Program Seeks Volunteers

The Area Agency on Aging is seeking out individuals who are passionate about advocating for residents of long-term care facilities to volunteer with the Ombudsman Program.

The program provides training to individuals who help residents and their families with the complexities of long term care issues. Volunteers are needed to visit local long-term care facilities weekly, to interact with residents, family members, and staff to help generate an understanding of resident rights.

Volunteers are needed in the Susquehanna County and Forest City area. Anyone interested in learning more is asked to call 1-800-982-4346.

## Visitors Bureau Accepting Events for Annual Calendar

Events that take place April 1, 2019, through March 31, 2020, are now being accepted for the Endless Mountains Visitors Bureau annual calendar of events booklet.

The deadline to submit events is Fri., Feb. 15

Events must take place in the Endless Mountains region of Sullivan, Susquehanna, and Wyoming counties and should be of interest to visitors coming to the area. There is no charge and no limit to the number of events an organization may submit.

To get an event in the calendar, go to the visitors bureau website at [www.EndlessMountains.org](http://www.EndlessMountains.org), or contact the Endless Mountains Visitors Bureau at 570-836-5431, 800-769-8999, or [shelley@endless-mountains.org](mailto:shelley@endless-mountains.org)

### Historical Facts

Did you know that in 1925, Union Dale wholesale meat dealer Dan Gibson angered his fellow wholesalers who then labeled him a "hustler?" Dan's crime? Upping his price for calves to 6 cents a pound!

## Pet of the Week



Sydney is a yellow lab who lives with Ian and Ruchi O'Reilly near Philly. She loves to sit in her chair and watch the birds as well as come to Union Dale and visit with her dog cousins.

# DA Marion O'Malley Announces Candidacy

On February 5, 2018, Marion O'Malley was sworn in as Susquehanna County District Attorney by President Judge Jason J. Legg. Marion is the first woman to hold this position in Susquehanna County history.

Marion is a life-long resident of Susquehanna County. Born in Susquehanna to M. Donald O'Malley and Elizabeth Redden O'Malley, she is the youngest of their 7 children. She and her husband Tom raised their two children, Sara and Tom, in Susquehanna County.

In 2018, District Attorney O'Malley prosecuted 546 criminal cases, each from preliminary hearing to sentencing. She conducted trials, both jury and judge, all of which resulted in convictions for the Commonwealth. She has prosecuted a diverse range of cases from simple assault to murder. She has handled all juvenile cases that came before the Court, as well as Indirect Criminal Contempt cases arising from incidents of domestic abuse.

In addition to the legal work, Marion has assumed the management of this important County Office. Since taking office, she has reduced the expenditures within the office and saved taxpayer dollars. Marion prosecuted criminals and fulfilled administrative duties of the office without an assistant DA for her first 5 months, saving the salary of an assistant during that time. When the position was filled on July 5, 2018, it was re-fashioned into a part-time position, cutting the annual salary in half and eliminating its benefits. Similarly, a vehicle purchased several years ago for the exclusive use of the District Attorney

has been repurposed into a vehicle shared by the DA's office and the Susquehanna County Task Force wherein the DA's use of the vehicle is limited to work related travel, significantly cutting down on travel and maintenance costs.

District Attorney O'Malley is proud of the expansion of the School Resource Officer or SRO program throughout most of our County's schools. Marion recruited 4 recently retired Pennsylvania State Troopers as County Detectives, increasing the ranks of School Resource Officers from 1 to 5. Of these new recruits, 3 have been assigned to County schools as fulltime SROs, with the fifth officer acting as a substitute for the other 4 officers. Marion and her entire staff also participated in National Night Out, a county-wide event aimed at familiarizing our community with local law enforcement and everything they do for our communities. Both National Night Out and the School Resource Officer program serve as important conduits between our citizens and the dedicated members of law enforcement who protect and serve the public.

As a life long resident of Susquehanna County, Marion is invested in how the criminal justice system functions for all of us. In the time she has been in office, Marion has worked to protect our community, support our law enforcement and preserve our way of life. However, this work is not done. A vote for Marion O'Malley is a vote to continue the dedicated work that began on February 5, 2018 to protect and preserve our way of life.

## Silver Lake Rod & Gun Club Donates to 4-H Shooting Sports Program



The Silver Lake Rod and Gun Club's annual Roger Everitt Memorial Shoot took place in late spring and now, with the tally in and the numbers crunched their kind members have made a generous donation to the Susquehanna County 4-H Shooting Sports Program.

The donation will help fund the program and teach youth about shooting sports safety, fun and so much more. It is the kindness and generosity of community organizations like Silver Lake Rod and Gun Club that help 4-H make the best better for Susquehanna County Youth!

For more information regarding 4-H please contact 570-278-1158 or email

Pictured above are Julie Harvatine, 4-H educator and Bob Kuhn, President of Silver Lake Rod and Gun Club.

# Forest City High School's FBLA Team Meets with State Legislators



Sen. Lisa Baker, far right, and Rep. Jon Fritz, far left, had the pleasure of meeting with Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) team at Forest City High School. Rep Fritz said, "They are a very impressive group of young adults that I am certain will be successful and make the world a better place!" Pictured left to right are Rep. Fritz, Katie Nebzdoski, Tom Piotrowski, Jordan Coles, Emily Kernoschak, Natalie Lipko, and Sen. Baker.

## Cash Bingo Fundraiser Sun., Feb. 17

The Hotel Anthracite, 25 S. Main St. Carbondale, will host a fundraiser in their Main Ballroom for Impact Panthers Softball, a traveling girl's softball team, on Sun., Feb. 17. Doors will open at 1 p.m. and the games will start at 2 p.m.

Festivities will include: 20 games of Bingo with specials, numerous basket raffles, a 50/50 drawing and more.

Tickets are \$25 per person and can be purchased from any coach or player, or by calling 570-536-1925. Tickets are also available at the Greater Carbondale Chamber of Commerce Office.

## Pollak Jr. attains Dean's List at Penn State Main

David Pollak Jr., Vandling, has been notified that he has attained the Dean's List for the Fall Semester at Penn State Main Campus. He majors in Digital and Print Journalism.

## Colleen Glavich Earns Certificate at Kutztown U.

Colleen Glavich of Forest City was one of 109 juniors and seniors at Kutztown University to complete a Career Success Certificate for the Fall 2018 semester.

The Career Success Certificate lets students gain a greater understanding of themselves, employer expectations, effective job search strategies, interviewing skills and the role of social media in the hiring process.

## 3 Local Students Named to Dean's List at Wilkes

Wilkes University Provost Dr. Anne Skleder announced the Dean's List for the fall 2018 semester which includes three students from Clifford Twp: Emmett Jodon, Sabrina Lewis, and Stephanie Ostir

To be named to the Dean's List, students must obtain a minimum 3.5 grade point average and carry at least 12 credits.

## PET CPR and FIRST AID Class in Honesdale

The Wayne County Sheriff's Office is in the beginning stages of adding a K9 to it's Office. As a fundraiser they will be hosting a pet First Aid and CPR class April 6, 2019 from 9 AM to 1 PM at the County Park Street Complex, 648 West Park Street, Honesdale. Learn the life saving skills needed to help your pet in an emergency while supporting the Wayne County Sheriff's K9 Unit. No prior training or experience required. Both a Hands-on skills practice and a Lecture taught by a 25+ year seasoned pre-hospital care provider and educator.

Cost is \$65.00 per person and includes: handbook, certificate and emergency muzzle with no further out of pocket expenses.

To register, visit: [www.pawsnclaws911.com](http://www.pawsnclaws911.com) & click "Register Online" choose April 6th, set up a login. Pre-registration and payment are required. Hoodie's, short and long sleeve tees are also available contact Ke-ara Drew at the Sheriff's department: (570) 253-2641.

Checks make payable to Wayne County Community Foundation, in memo line: Sheriff's Office K9 fund. Thank you for your support!!

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## Bingo every Sun. at Thompson Hose Co.

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