

Watson town Borough Newsletter

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BOROUGH OFFICE HOURS:
 Mon. -Thurs. 7 am - 5 pm
 & Friday 7 am - 4 pm

Be sure to report power outages! During non-business hours please call 570-742-8772. If no answer, CALL 911 !!!

BOROUGH OFFICIALS
 Greg Miller
 Dan Folk
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 Roy Smedley



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 Harry Hefty
 Brian Harrison



MONTGOMERY HOUSE LIBRARY
 20 Church Street
 McEwensville, PA 17749
 570-538-1381



DECEMBER EVENTS:

- 11th- Down the rabbit hole with retro toys
- 13th- Play 13 on the 13th @ 1pm
- 16th- Holiday Craft Ornaments 4-5pm
- 19th -Bloomsburg Mobile Maker Camp
 6pm Light up holidays
- 21st- Cricut Cookie Plate 11-1pm
- 27th- Computer use with free print shipping return labels
- 30th - Holiday Bingo w/popcorn 2pm



December Holiday Hours:
 23rd - 12-5pm
 27th - 12-5pm
 28th - 11-2pm
 30th 12-5pm

Office Closed
 Please note: the Borough Office & Public Works Department will be closed on December 24th & 25th for Christmas and December 31st & January 1st for New Years. We will re-open for business at 7 am the following business day.
HAPPY HOLIDAYS !!!



Council Meeting
 December 9th @ 7 pm
Planning Commission
 December 16th @ 7pm
 Meetings are held in Council Chambers unless otherwise noted.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
 Remember Honor*Teach*
 Saturday, December 14th
 Join us at Noon at the Watson town Cemetery or at the Warrior Run Church Cemetery for a brief ceremony & the distribution of wreaths on veteran gravesites. Everyone is welcome!!!
 Please support by purchasing a wreath at wreathsacrossamerica.org.



Electric Meter Reading Day—
Thursday, December 19, 2024
 Please keep the entrance to your electric meter free & clear of vegetation so the Borough crew can get in to read your meter.



WABA Christmas Events:
Friday, December 6th
 At 6:00 pm gather around tree
Christmas Tree Lighting 6:15 pm & Santa arrives in town on a fire truck at 6:30pm
“Whet your Whistle with Wassel”
 at the Watson town Hist. Assoc. Museum from **6:00 pm– 8:00 pm**
 Watson town Holiday Decorating Contest
 Judging will begin on Sunday, December 8th between **6:00pm - 9:00pm**
Sunday, December 8th
 Caravan of Lights Parade
 Parade forms at **5:30pm** at the CSIU and LCCC. The parade steps off at **6:00 pm**
 The parade will go down Elm Street and end at the Santa House. Two Sisters will be collecting donations on the parade route.



SANTA HOUSE HOURS:
 Friday December 6, 2024
 6:30pm – 8:30pm
 Saturday December 7, 2024
 2:00pm – 6:00pm
 (Pets are welcome from 2—4 pm)
 Sunday December 8, 2024
 6:00pm – 8:00pm
 Friday December 13, 2024
 6:00pm – 8:00pm
 Saturday December 14, 2024
 1:00pm – 3:00pm
 Saturday, December 21, 2024
 1:00pm – 3:00pm
 Sunday, December 22, 2024
 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Santa’s also watching his mailbox for your letters!

WABA’s Annual Wreath Decorating Contest
 This year’s wreaths are displayed along Brimmer Ave. from Main Street the bridge on both sides of the street. Judging will take place at the Watson town Historical Museum. All wreaths are numbered. You can cast a vote for your favorite wreath for .25 cents. All donations collected will be donated to the museum.
 The wreaths were purchased & donated to community by **The Watson town Haunted Haunt**

Historic Warrior Run Church
Candlelight Service
 41 Warrior Lane
 Watson town
 Saturday, December 14, 2024
 At 7 pm
 Please Join Us!!!
 Warrior Run-Fort Freeland Heritage Society
www.freelandfarm.org

Bob Frey
 Disposal
 570-419-2162
 Don’t forget your extra bag stickers!

Norman Easley,
 Tax Collector
 PO Box 32,
 Watson town
 570-412-4194

Join Luzerne County Community College at 1100 Main Street, Watstown for Cookies on the Campus. An open house is being held on December 11th from 3 pm to 6 pm. Join us to learn more about our programs & enjoy some treats!



Holy Spirit Evangelical Lutheran Church, 10275 State Route 44 about 2 miles west of Turbotville
570-649-5822
email: hseclturbotville@gmail.com

On Christmas Eve, a candlelight service is planned for 9pm. There will be special music starting at 8:30pm. Please join us as we celebrate the coming of our Lord.

Remember, you are always welcome at Holy Spirit. Join us for worship at 9:00 followed by a time of fellowship.

FIREHOUSE RENTALS

Located behind the Warrior Run Fire Department

5 x 5 = \$40/month
5 x 10 = \$60/month
10 x 10 = \$80/month
10 x 15 = \$100/month

Call 570-538-5100
Ext. 3 for details.



Watstown Seventh-day Adventist Church
1319 8th Street Drive, Watstown
web site: watstownadventistchurch.org

Saturday Services:

9:15 am Bible Study
11:00 am Worship

Gym Nights:

Saturday Nights
Starting Nov 9th
at 6pm volleyball
& basketball



Community Welcome!

Watstown Baptist Church



FREE Community Meal
Wednesday,

December 11th.

Ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans & dessert. Serving starts at 6pm. Dine in or take out is available as always.

Early Christmas Eve Service
December 22nd at 7 pm
Please join us!

FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN Hower-Slote Farm Restoration Help the Warrior Run-Fort Freeland Heritage Society in cooperation with the Warrior Run School District, preserve the Hower-Slote house & barn built in 1829 which resides on the historic land of the battle of Fort Freeland that took place in 1779. Major restoration work in the 1980's saved this landmark & we want to continue its preservation for future educational & community visitation. **Donate now at <https://freelandfarm.org/hower-slote-campaign>.**



Kingdom Kidz, Inc.
11 E Third Street, Watstown, PA
570-838-3133 www.hiskingdomkidz.com

COME JOIN US AT OUR EVENTS!!!
ALL SAFEKIDZ™ ACTIVITIES AT THE PUPPET HOME ARE FREE!



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December 13- Special Needs Dance, 6:30-8 at the Puppet HOME!

December 14- SafeKIDZ™ at the Puppet HOME, FREE Puppet program followed by activity rooms, snacks, etc., 1-4pm Starts at 1pm PUBLIC FREE

December 20- Family Fun Night at the Puppet HOME- FREE pizza, puppet program, TRAIN DISPLAY, FREE TRAIN GIVE AWAY- 5:30-8pm Starts at 5:30 pm

December 21- Warrior Run Fire Department Christmas Party, 8:30am

The Mustard Seed Kidz internet program can be heard on Spotify as a Podcast. Search for MUSTARD SEED KIDZ for the NEW SEASON!!!

Our social hall is available for your event. Come see all the activity rooms available if you need them for your children during your event. Contact us.

We are looking for Volunteers who love working with children/youth, and have a passion to make a difference in their lives. Background checks are necessary. **Puppet training each Tuesday 6:30-7:30pm at the Puppet HOME!**

Quality Family Programs "Creative Artistry Reaching Hearts of All Ages"
11 E. 3rd St., Watstown, PA 17777 570-838-3133
www.hiskingdomkidz.org puppets@hiskingdomkidz.org

First Presbyterian Church
401 Main Street, Watstown
www.watstownpresby.org
[www.facebook.com/pages/Presbyterian Church First/116034815090914/](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Presbyterian-Church-First/116034815090914/)

We are a friendly church and welcome you to join us for worship, Sundays at 10:30 am. Our Sunday School meets at 9:30 a.m. We are doing a video series "Mission of Jesus" by Ray Vanderlan. Come and join us in a Christ-driven adventure, led by Brian Cieslukowski.

Organist: We are looking for a organist/pianist. If you can play piano or organ and can give us even 1 of 2 weeks per month we are grateful. If interested please call the church at 570-538-1491.



Neighbors Helping Neighbors
has relocated to the **Seventh Day Adventist Church**
1319 8th Street Drive,
Watstown

Distribution days & hours are unchanged. We distribute the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month from 9:30-11:30 am. We serve residents in the WR School District that live in Northumberland County.



First Lutheran Church of Watstown invites you to join us!

Sunday morning worship: 9:00 a.m. followed by coffee and fellowship.

Sunday School for all ages: 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Morning Prayer Service: 9 a.m. in person & on Facebook livestream

Wednesday Evening in December: 6 pm join us for Holden Evening Prayer & a light dinner

December 24th: 7 pm Special Music, 7:30 pm Christmas Eve Worship & Candlelight Service

December 25th: 9 am Worship **ALL ARE WELCOME!!!**



Watstown Memorial Community Center (Lions Club Youth Center) Rental available. Check us out at Lions Youth Center.Org or contact Wayne Greiner at 570-604-7451.



The Watstown Historical Association's 7th pottery piece is now available for a cost of \$35. Contact Diana Johnson at 570-538-1939 for details or to place an order.