



State Representative **ANN FLOOD** 138th Legislative District

Fall 2023



IMPORTANCE OF TOURISM IN THE LEHIGH VALLEY

I hosted the House Republican Policy Committee this summer in the Lehigh Valley for a discussion with local leaders about generating more business in our region, and how to eliminate obstacles that may inhibit growth in the tourism and hospitality sectors. This hearing highlighted how tourism can become an economic driving force in Pennsylvania for generations to come.

The panel described how local attractions such as MusikFest, Dorney Park and Iron Pigs baseball games draw in million of visitors to the region each year, and discussed how local businesses can work together to bring more tourism dollars to the state and boost local economies. We are blessed to live in such a diverse region with so many activities and attractions. Visitors come from all over Pennsylvania and neighboring states to take in the sights.

From Bethlehem's charming North Side Historic District to our museums and parks, there is no shortage of family-friendly entertainment to enjoy and to be used to help grow our local and state economy.

AROUND THE 138TH DISTRICT

It is always a pleasure to meet and talk with so many great people in the 138th District and to engage with our local community at National Nights Out in Roseto, Bangor, Forks and Wind Gap this summer. I met many wonderful people at the Bushkill Fire Company Carnival, the Wind Gap Fire Company Carnival, and at the informative Gun Safety Seminar I hosted at the Roseto Rod & Gun Club in Bangor. Portland's Founders Day and mini powwow were both a big success this fall; I can't wait for next year.

I had the opportunity to inform and entertain the community by hosting my Scam Jam and Fraud Bingo in August. We had a huge turnout at my Senior Expo with around 60 vendors in attendance this September, and I hosted my financial aid workshop in October for parents and college-bound students, which included a presentation explaining the wide array of opportunities available to help afford secondary education.



HEATING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Residents who struggle with their home heating bills can now apply for assistance from the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

LIHEAP is a federally funded program that helps individuals and families pay their heating bills through home heating energy assistance grants. It also provides crisis grants to help in the event of an emergency or if a resident is in danger of losing his or her heat due to broken equipment, lack of fuel or termination of utility service. The income eligibility guidelines for LIHEAP are set at 150% of the federal poverty income level.

Residents may apply for LIHEAP online at www.compass.state.pa.us, by phone at 1-866-550-4355 or by contacting the Northampton County Assistance Office at 1-610-250-1700. Learn more at www.dhs.pa.gov or contact one of my offices for information.

CONGRATULATIONS TO LOCAL SCOUTS!

Gold Award Girl Scouts

Calais Lovett

Troop Juliette, Portland

Eagle Scouts

Joshua Bosco

Troop 38, Lower Mount Bethel Township

Alexandra Martocci

Troop 941, Roseto

Alexandra Martocci is the first female to achieve Eagle Scout status in her troop. She is blazing a trail for every other young girl looking to do the same in the Boy Scouts program. (Pictured right)



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READY TO SERVE!

My district office is ready to serve constituents like you.

My staff and I will be happy to assist you with any state-related matters. My office can assist with vehicle registrations, driver's license renewals and special tags, Property Tax / Rent Rebate applications, Low Income Heating Assistance Program (LIHEAP) applications, birth certificate or death record applications and much more.

I look forward to meeting you!

State Rep. Ann Flood
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UPCOMING EVENT

SPECIAL NEEDS EXPO

Saturday, Nov. 18, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Forks Township Community Center

500 Zuckvsville Road, Easton, PA 18040

People with special needs and their families are invited to attend this informative seminar to learn about various state and local resources and agencies available to help.



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- **Medicare Annual Open Enrollment Period ends on Dec. 7.** You can join, switch or disenroll from a Part D Prescription Drug Plan, a Medicare Advantage Plan, or switch to original Medicare with or without a Medicare Part D Plan.
- **The deadline for the Property Tax/Rent Rebate program ends Dec. 31.**



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