FALL/WINTER EVENTS

Sept. 27-30
Book Sale
Mifflin County Library
Lewistown
Benefits Mifflin County Library.

Sept. 28-30
Port Royal Bicentennial Celebration
Friday:
1 p.m. – Port Royal High School/Tuscarora Valley High School Reunion in the Community Building
6 p.m. – Opening Ceremony on the grandstand stage at the fairgrounds; welcome address; prayer and poem about Port Royal; brief history of Port Royal; Period Dress Contest and Men's Beard Contest judging; dancers from the Margaret McCann School of Dance; announcement of the property decorating winners; singing by This Way Up;
Saturday:
All day – Civil War Encampment at Moyer Park
9 a.m. – Re-enactment of Steven Pomeroy's historic Civil War ride to Port Royal
10 a.m. – Civil War re-enactment battle with artillery at Moyer Park
2 p.m. – Port Royal 200 Parade
5-8 p.m. – Local musical groups on the grandstand stage at the fairgrounds, including The Esquires, Faces4Radio, The Sinceres, Old Time Dulcimer Band, The Boyz and the Susquehanna Valley Square Dancers
Sunday:
2 p.m. – Community Church Service on the Grandstand Stage at the fairgrounds. Pastors from the Port Royal Presbyterian, Lutheran, Methodist and Faith Bible churches will lead the service.
After the church service – Honor military veterans with The Good News Singers, Juniata County veterans with 21-gun salute and U.S. flag folding, and Eric Fowler on bagpipes

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Mim Anstine, left, and Carlen McClure, members of the Port Royal 200 Bicentennial Committee, welcome guests to the celebration in the Juniata County town Sept. 28-29.

Sept. 28
Pink Out Live Auction
Visitor Parking Lot
Lewistown Hospital
Beginning at 3 p.m. – Pig roast, silent auction and theme basket raffle
5 p.m. – Live auction begins
Proceeds benefit the Pennsylvania Pink Zone and its beneficiaries, including the Breast Care Center at Lewistown Hospital. More information: 242-7226 or visit www.lewistownhospital.org/pinkzone or www.pennnsylvaniapinkzone.org.

Sept. 28
Bluegrass Gospel Jam Session
Richfield Senior Center
6-9 p.m. Monthly event. Donations accepted for Community Leisure Services. Concession stand.

Sept. 28
Square, line, round and polka dance
Messiah Lutheran Church
Mifflintown
7 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Caller: Marshal Deckard

Sept. 28-30
Oktoberfest
Cassville
Friday: Noon-10 p.m.; Saturday, 8a.m.-11 p.m.; Sunday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Down-home festival features homemade kettle soup, apple butter, vendors and entertainment. This event is sponsored by the Trough Creek Fire Company and Lions Club.

Sept. 28-30
Beaver Stadium Tours
Penn State All-Sports Museum
10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m.
Tour Beaver Stadium and see the heart of Nittany Nation. Tour includes media room, home locker room, tunnel, field, as well as recruiting and club areas. Booking ahead is recommended.

Sept. 28
Preservation Hall Jazz Band and The Del McCoury Band American Legacies
Eisenhower Auditorium
Penn State University
The high lonesome sound of bluegrass meets the hot and lively jazz of New Orleans. Adult, $48; University Park student, $22 ;18 and Younger $39. Tickets: (800) ARTS-TIX

Sept. 29
Mifflin-Juniata Walk to End Alzheimer's
Derry Township Community Park
Registration begins at 9 a.m.; walk starts at 10:30 a.m.
More information: Clay McTarnaghan, 437-1826 or visit www.act.alz.org/mifflinjuniatacounties1012.

Sept. 29
35th Annual Goose Day Run
Juniata Valley Striders
www.jvstriders.com
Race day registration, 7:30-9 a.m.; 5K starts at 9 a.m. at the steps of the Mifflin County Historic Courthouse

Sept. 29
Mifflin County Community Goose Day Dinner
Lewistown Recreation Center
Noon-4 p.m.
Tickets: $12; age 5 and under, $6, available at FAME EMS, Mifflin County Historic Courthouse and Burnham OIP. Dinner will be prepared and served by FAME EMS personnel. See Goldie the Goose and enjoy live acoustic music brought to you by the Acoustic Connection. Dinner benefits FAME EMS Capital Fund. Sponsored by the Borough of Lewistown, WCHX, WKVA and Star Country, Nittany Media, The Sentinel, WMRF and WIEZ, Lewistown Hospital and the Juniata River Valley Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau.

Goose Day

"Eat goose on Michaelmas Day and you'll never want money all the year around."

Celebrating Goose Day – or St. Michaelmas Day – every Sept. 29 is a tradition in the Juniata Valley.
The Mifflin County Commissioners made Goose Day official by proclamation in 1973; the Juniata County Commissioners followed suit in 1976.
Many area restaurant and organizations serve good dinners on Sept. 29, and a variety of other activities are usually planned around Goode Day to add to the fun.
Here's a quick look at the Goose Day activities scheduled for this year.
Sept. 29 – 35th Annual Goose Day Run
Sept. 29 – Mifflin County Community Goose Day Dinner at the Lewistown Recreation Center
Sept. 30 – Goose Day Road Rally begins at the Brown Township Municipal Lot in Reedsville.
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