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### This Week's Pictures and Stories



#### Philosophy of Pride

This photo was taken at the conclusion of the delayed graduation ceremony for [Venango Catholic High School](#) students. The rainbow came out just as the graduates and their families were leaving the school, for what would be the last time for some of them. This was used as a Featured Photo of the Day and the rainbow appeared in a few pictures of the graduates too.

#### 'COVID Really Isn't a Hoax'

Northwest Pennsylvania resident Patti Loomis bravely shares what it was like to lose her brother and best friend, Terry Loomis, to COVID earlier this month. She is hoping to spread the word about her experience so doubters can understand just how real the effects of the coronavirus can be.



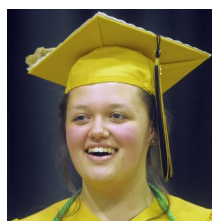
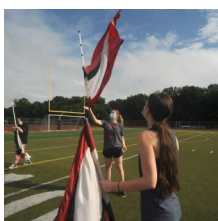
#### Two Parades - One Crawford County Community

Sunday Conneaut Lake was the location for a Pride March for the LGBTQ community as well as a boat parade for supporters of President Trump.



#### Taste for Talent Vocal Contest Returns

Franklin's annual Taste of Talent singing competition typically draws a large crowd weekly into Bandstand Park. This year organizers are hoping to see even bigger crowds online. The contest got underway Wednesday with thousands watching the 12 participants perform during a virtual concert.



#### Find stories throughout the week on the [Eight & 322](#) site

Eight & 322 publishes pictures and stories throughout the week. Here is a sampling of features on the site in the past seven day.

- Franklin and Corry [baseball teams](#) squared off last week in Franklin's first home game of league created for fill the gap left with the American Legion program was cancelled.
- The band front for the Pride of Pennsylvania [Franklin High School Black Knight Marching Band](#) was back in action last week with tryouts featuring masks and social distancing.
- [Venango Catholic High School](#) held its graduation ceremony Thursday and, like other area schools, the ceremony was a little different. Attendees were spread out throughout the school's gym to provide social distancing as 10 students received their diplomas
- As we wrap up June, we share works by featured artist [Joanne Wheeler](#) one more time.

#### Have a Story Idea?

I'd love to hear it. Send me a direct message at [RichardSayerPhotojournalism](#) Facebook page or an email at [richardsayerphotography@gmail.com](mailto:richardsayerphotography@gmail.com)

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