

# NEWS RELEASE

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From the Brodhead Watershed Association

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## **BWA's Report to the Community features Mountainhome**

Every day for 30 years, Brodhead Watershed Association has worked to protect our water quality and quantity. Making sure we all have enough pure, safe drinking water is BWA's mission.

That work involves lots of activities:

- monitoring stream water for pollutants, and taking action when needed to correct problems;
- working to maintain our water's natural cold temperatures to keep our native trout thriving;
- helping creekside landowners keep water clean and pure by not mowing to the edge of the water and limiting use of pesticides and chemicals;
- and, perhaps most important, raising public awareness that protecting forested land is the best, cheapest, most effective way to protect water.

The centerfold of BWA's Summer Report to the Community spotlights BWA's work in Mountainhome, protecting our beautiful Mill Creek.

Neighbors who have taken part include: Troop 89, Mountainhome United Methodist Church, RGM Enterprises, Strauser Nature's Helpers, Matt Dilger, Trip Dilger, Chadd Gray, Eagle Scout Dillon Brunetti, Darryl Speicher, and Jerry Rinker. The artists who painted the rain barrels included Lee Schuler, Krista Paolucci, Marty Gylleck, Theresa Merli, Jill Swersie, Alexis O'Keefe, Patti O'Keefe, Debbie Hardy, Kristina Closs, Gail Howard, Kristy Galunic, Emilia Kur, Marilyn Derrick, Darryl Speicher, Tanya Lutin, Annelizabeth Messina, Alma Barrantes, Linda Lewis, John James, Cynthia Vineis, Nicole Abrams, Ryan Burke, Kendall Farley, Grant and Madison Hilfiger.

Rain barrel host locations included Mountainhome United Methodist Church, Donaghy Insurance, Callie's, The Friendly Community Center, NBT Bank, Mountainhome Diner, ESSA Bank & Trust, The Forks Restaurant, Steele's Hardware, Tom's County Kitchen, Blake Martin, The Daily Bread, Barrett Township office, Pourhouse/Basso, Capri Pizza, Bloomin' Onion, Barn Door Antiques, the Michelle Farley law office, and the Hilfiger Contracting office.

Sponsors included Mickey Miller, Donaghy Insurance, Woodfield Manor, Barrett Township Historical Society, Natalie Berdoe, ESSA Bank & Trust, Peter Maier, Steele's Hardware, Tom's Country Kitchen, Blake Martin, The Daily Bread, Mick Motors, Rotary Club of the Pocono Mountains, Buck Hill Company, The Pourhouse, Basso Restaurant, Joe and Meg Dilger, Capri Pizza, Bloomin' Onion, Barn Door Antiques, Michelle Farley, Hilfiger Contracting LLC.

Thank you, one and all!

Read the story by going to [www.brodheadwatershed.org](http://www.brodheadwatershed.org) and clicking on "Report to the Community."

Brodhead Watershed Association is a nonprofit environmental organization formed in 1989. BWA is dedicated to protecting and preserving water resources and the environment of the Brodhead watershed, and the water quality of the Brodhead, Cherry, Marshalls, McMichael, Paradise and Pocono creeks and their tributaries. BWA assists municipalities, residents, businesses and groups with protecting natural resources through education, workshops, seminars, public programs and stream monitoring. For information: [info@brodheadwatershed.org](mailto:info@brodheadwatershed.org) or 570-839-1120.

