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A NEWSLETTER PUBLISHED BY HANOVER TOWNSHIP, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

A Special “Thanks” for Fire, EMS and Police

by Jay Finnigan

A recent traffic accident just outside our municipal border got me thinking about the gratitude we owe our emergency services personnel. The traffic accident on the Hanover Township border with Lehigh County involved multiple vehicles resulting in the death of a three year old child.

When the call came into the 911 Center the Colonial Regional Police Department (CRPD) and Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Company (HTVFC) including their EMS staff were dispatched. Among the first on the scene was one of the HTVFC’s Assistant Chiefs and CRPD units. Upon arrival they noted that the vehicles involved were actually in Hanover - Lehigh County but their training had them all spring into action. They assessed the situation and remained on scene until released by incident command and the Pennsylvania State Police.



The next time you see red and blue, or red and white lights approaching you your first reaction should be to check around you and pull to the right and allow them to pass. The incident they are trying to get to may involve an attempt to save a life of a person involved in a motor vehicle accident, resuscitate an individual in cardiac risk, assist someone with a blocked airway,

someone suffering the affects of a stroke, etc.

Our emergency personnel risk their lives and sometimes their emotional well-being responding to calls at all hours of the day and night, in all sorts of weather conditions, in all four seasons. Sometime the calls they participate in require follow-up sessions with counselors and critical incident response team personnel.

I realize that our police, fire and EMS personnel chose to do what they do, but they deserve our gratitude!

BETH A. BUCKO –

New Township Treasurer

Beth A. Bucko was appointed Township Treasurer/Assistant Secretary by the Board of Supervisors in February of 2016. Beth took over for Ryan P. Kish who pursued a career in school administration.

Beth is a graduate of Kutztown University where she received her Bachelor’s Degree in Communication Studies with a minor in Public Relations. Prior to joining the township, Beth worked for Enterprise Holdings, Inc. where she was a Branch Manager for Enterprise Commercial Trucks and Enterprise Rent-A-Car offices. Beth’s hobbies include reading books, Zumba classes, and spending time with her family and friends.



NO need for *SPEED* in Hanover

The Township continues to receive a large number of complaints from residents who are concerned with drivers speeding, not only on major and secondary roads in the Township but also in our residential neighborhoods. The speed limit on local roads in residential neighborhoods is 25 miles per hour; with nice weather approaching and the expected seasonal increase in pedestrian and bicycle traffic on the roads, safe driving should be foremost in all motorists' minds.

As you drive around the Township you'll notice *Speed Boards* have been installed. These are a visual reminder to motorists as to the speed they are traveling and are positive or negative reinforcement as to their driving behavior.



Senate Committee Approves Bills Allowing Local Police Radar to Reduce Speeding

Legislation Senator Mario M. Scavello co-sponsored would permit local police to use radar to enforce speed limits was overwhelmingly approved by the Senate Transportation Committee on Wednesday, May 11, 2016.

Pennsylvania is the only state in the U.S. that prohibits local police from using radar guns. Only State Police are currently allowed to use radar which puts local police such as the Colonial Regional Police at a disadvantage enforcing speed limits. Senate Bill 535 and Senate Bill 559, which also permits the use of LIDAR laser light devices, were sent to the full Senate for consideration.

Senator Scavello was the prime-sponsored of similar legislation over three sessions as a member of the House of Representatives. In his legislative district there have been many accidents and deaths due to excessive speeding and this legislation won't take back those tragedies but may prevent future tragedies.

To ensure that police departments do not use the devices to generate revenue, Senate Bill 559 requires that any revenue exceeding 5 percent of the municipal budget must be remitted to State Police to fund traffic safety efforts.

Radar is less expensive to use and maintain than older devices and would reduce deaths that result from speeding cars. It makes no sense that Pennsylvania stands as

the last state to preventing use of a tool that local police have been requesting for years.

Please reach out to both Senator Scavello and Representative Marcia M. Hahn and tell them you support this legislation. Their local offices are: **Hon. Mario M. Scavello, Two North Robinson Avenue Pen Argyl, PA 18072** and **Hon. Marcia M. Hahn, 196 West Moorestown Road, Wind Gap, PA 18091.**



Deteriorated Roads and Road Maintenance

by Vincent G. Milite, Public Works Director

A deteriorated road is one that is falling apart due to weather, poor sub soil conditions, vehicle loads and age. Deteriorated road consists of potholes, alligator cracking, sunken or soft spots, rutting and sinkholes.

In the 1980's when I was hired, Hanover Township's road crew was quite small, so repairing roads was basically just putting a thin layer of black top on the deteriorated road.

Today, the Hanover Township's road crew has grown as well as our mileage of Township roads. The road crew maintains over 60 miles of Township owned roads. So what does the road crew do to maintain and repair your roads? Well for one our equipment is a lot better... Today we are able to mill out the deteriorated part of the road up to 6" in depth and repair the base area as well as being able to repair the road surface. On roads repaved by a contractor our road crew will do all the repairs prior to the contractor repairing the road; thus giving the newly paved road a longer life.

Residents often ask "when will my road scheduled to be repaved?" The answer varies. Each year we evaluate and update our road inventory. Basically it is a spreadsheet with all Township roads that is given a ranking of 1 to 3. A ranking of 3 is a road with a lifespan of 10 or greater years. A ranking of 2 is a lifespan of between 5 and 10 years. If a road is a ranking of a 1 its expectancy is less than 5 years. Once it has this ranking that's when we start planning on when it will be repaved.

A lot of people question about cracks in the road, and should they be concerned? The answer is no, cracking is caused by the road heating up and cooling down. In the winter months cracks become more prevalent and in the summer months these same cracks start to shrink. Do we seal cracks? Yes, the road crew seals cracks. Unfortunately, we cannot get to every crack.

If you have any questions or concerns about Township roads you can contact me at the Township building or email me at :

vmilite@hanovertwp-nc.org.

TOUGHER PENALTIES FOR AT-RISK DRIVERS

BY STATE REP. MARCIA HAHN 138TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT



Rep. Marcia M. Hahn

Impaired driving is an offense I feel needs to be taken more seriously than it currently is. The price paid for this type of criminal activity can be lives impacted and in some cases lives lost.

The state House recently passed House Bill 1861, my legislation which would change the manner in which we deal with the charge of driving with a suspended license that is the result of a DUI (driving under the influence) conviction. Under current law, that violation carries the same penalty (a \$500 fine and a prison sentence of not less than 60 days and not more than 90 days) no matter how many times an individual is prosecuted.

House Bill 1861 would amend the Vehicle Code to create a tiered penalty system for subsequent convictions. While sentencing for a first offense would remain the same, a second offense would result in a \$1,000 fine and minimum 90-day jail term. A third-time offender would face a misdemeanor charge, as well as a \$2,500 fine and minimum sentence of six months in jail. Subsequent offenders would be looking at a \$5,000 fine and spending a minimum of two years behind bars.

It is sad to think we need such a law carried to the extreme of placing in statute penalties for anyone caught driving on a suspended license more than once. This type of repeat offender unfortunately exists and doesn't understand the seriousness of the crime they have committed and the penalties that go along with it. The bill now moves to the state Senate, which hopefully moves quickly on the bill and sends it to Gov. Tom Wolf's desk for signature.

Questions about this or any legislative issue may be directed to my district office at (610) 746-2100.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out will be held at Hanover Township's Municipal Complex on Tuesday, August 2nd from 6-9 p.m. You are invited to meet with members of the Colonial Regional Police and the Township Crime Watch who will be on hand with games and prizes for the kids, "Kids Picture ID cards"

and Homeland Security Packets. Rain or shine, there will be free hot dogs, ice cream and birch beer. Look for flyers during the summer for further information. If interested in helping out with the program, please contact the Community Center @ 610.317.8701.



FALSE ALARMS & FALSE 911 CALLS

Hanover Township and the Colonial Regional Police Department (CRPD) are asking residents and business to assist them in reducing the number of False Burglary, False Fire Alarms and False 911 calls. As you will see from the chart below we average approximately 2.5 of these per day. We realize that some of the False Alarms, both Burglary and Fire can be attributed to weather conditions, some are a result of carelessness. Others are attributable to alarm companies failing to notify their central offices that work is being performed on their systems resulting in a false call to the 911 Center.

FALSE ALARM CALLS

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
BATH						
False Alarm Residence - Burglary	7	7	21	14	7	56
False Alarm Commercial - Burglary	41	38	32	30	26	167
False Fire Alarm - Residential & Commercial	10	10	10	11	5	46
Total	58	55	63	55	38	269
HANOVER						
False Alarm Residence - Burglary	232	205	214	192	212	1,055
False Alarm Commercial - Burglary	262	246	248	267	225	1,248
False Fire Alarm - Residential & Commercial	72	55	82	56	62	327
Total	566	506	544	515	499	2,630
LOWER NAZARETH						
False Alarm Residence - Burglary	85	73	93	97	112	460
False Alarm Commercial - Burglary	245	250	270	267	299	1,331
False Fire Alarm - Residential & Commercial	45	42	47	36	27	197
Total	375	365	410	400	438	1,988

FALSE 911 CALLS

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Total
BATH	159	157	121	128	105	670
HANOVER	587	579	528	535	398	2627
LOWER NAZARETH	527	439	552	528	335	2381

Responding to false alarms take CRPD resources away from performing other duties such as higher priority calls, speed enforcements, truck inspections and general patrol.

Similar to False Alarms False 911 Calls are also a nuisance. These tend to occur as an individual takes their cellular phone out of their pocket or attempts to put it in their pocket.

The chart indicates the CRPD coverage area for the past five calendar years. Should a call be cancelled while an officer is in route, it does not increment the log so the instances are actually greater. Let's see if by bringing these issues to everyone's attention we can drive them down.

EMS CORNER

by EMS Captain Karen Van Why



1st Quarter EMS Call Statistics for 2016

Medical Emergencies	440
Motor Vehicle Accidents	24
Fire Support	43
Total calls for the quarter	507

INFECTION CAUSING SEPSIS...

...WHAT IS SEPSIS?



Sepsis is a potentially life-threatening complication of an infection. Sepsis requires a medical diagnosis. Sepsis happens when your body has an overwhelming response to an infection. This overreaction can cause life-threatening organ dysfunction, and can kill in a matter of days or even hours. The sooner a health care provider can spot sepsis, the higher a patient's chances for survival.

Symptoms include fever, difficulty breathing, low blood pressure, fast heart rate, and mental confusion. Some people may experience dizziness, fatigue, flushing, chills, low body temperature or insufficient urine production.

Infections in the lungs (pneumonia), bladder and kidneys (urinary tract infections), skin (cellulitis), abdomen (such as appendicitis), and other areas (such as meningitis) can spread and lead to sepsis. Infections that develop after surgery can also lead to sepsis.

Anyone can develop sepsis, but it's most common and most dangerous in very young people, older adults or those with weakened immune systems. Early treatment of sepsis, usually with antibiotics and large amounts of intravenous fluids, improves chances for survival.

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HANOVER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CENTER

Director:
Robert Cepin

RECREATION NEWS

Assistant Director:
Nichole Hamburg

HTCC is Giving Back!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

First Strides Women's 5K Walk/Run	Saturday June 4th
Hanover Car Show	Sunday September 4th
Patriot Day	Sunday September 11th
Fall Festival	Saturday October 1st
Field of Pink & Vera Bradley Bingo	Sunday October 16th
PSU/HTCC "THON" 5K Fun Walk/Run	Sunday November 6th

NEW-Summer Instruction for Music Lessons-Band/Orchestra Member can continue their practice over the summer!

Thank you Special Event Sponsors:



MARLOW & MORROW REAL ESTATE TEAM



HanoverView
Animal Hospital
7122 Beth Bath Pike
484-281-8080

www.HanoverViewAnimalHospital.com

The Hanover Township Community Center gives back! The 2016 Community BINGO events have several outstanding beneficiaries that are well known non-profits in the area!

<u>JUNE</u>	<u>JULY</u>	<u>AUGUST</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER</u>
Community BINGO benefits:	Community BINGO benefits:	Community BINGO benefits:	Community BINGO benefits:
<i>HTCC Park & Rec. & Special Events</i>	<i>PA PLAYHOUSE</i>	<i>Pampered Chef Bingo to benefit HTCC Summer Parks & Rec. Programs</i>	<i>Big Brothers & Big Sisters</i>
<u>OCTOBER</u>	<u>NOVEMBER</u>	<u>DECEMBER</u>	
Community BINGO benefits:	Community BINGO benefits:	Community BINGO benefits:	
<i>The Pink Ribbon Fund</i>	<i>Wolfpack Search & Recovery</i>	<i>Lehigh Valley Aging in Place Coalition</i>	

Community Bingo continues monthly, meeting once a month on the first Thursday of each month. The meeting room is reserved for this event and food/snacks are always available from our kitchen. Early Bird games (\$5) start at 6:30 pm and are over by 7 pm. Regular bingo starts at 7 pm - \$25 for 22 games - 9 boards or 9 chances to win each game! Specials are included and prizes range from \$40 to \$125 per game!

Penn State Lehigh Valley Joins HTCC for Basketball Camp

This summer the Hanover Township Community Center will join forces with Penn State Lehigh Valley Women's Basketball head coach to provide a one week CO-ED basketball camp. The camp will run July 11-14 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The ages for participation are open from 7-15.

asked to bring their own lunch and snacks for each day of camp. A free t-shirt will be given to any camper registered before June 1, 2016.

A team discount is also available for a group of 5 or more who register at the same time. The discount is \$25 per camper.

The camp will be coached by Lorie Khalil. Coach Lorie has been the head women's basketball coach since 2014 at the Lehigh Valley Campus. Coach Lorie also has a multitude of coaching experience in Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Maryland, New York and New Jersey.

Registration is available online, over the phone, or in person at HTCC.

Coach Lorie will also have help with her coaching staff. Her coaching staff will include players from her women's college team as well as local high school players.



The format of the camp will be a variety of skills and drills as well as games and scrimmages between campers. Campers are



VERA BRADLEY BINGO
SUNDAY 10/16 @ 1 PM

TICKETS: \$15 PRIOR TO
10/1- \$20 AFTER 10/1
AND AT THE DOOR.



Join us on October 16, 2016 for the 5th Annual Field of Pink & Vera Bradley Bingo! Both events combined this year!

Vera Bradley Bingo & Field of Pink now planting at HTCC!

Twice a year HTCC hosts a Vera Bradley Bingo. This Fall our VB Bingo will be on **Sunday, October 16th at 1 pm** and will be held in conjunction with the **Field of Pink!**

The Field Of Pink is planted to help raise awareness of breast cancer and to honor those who have fought this disease. This year, over 1000 pink flags will be planted and will be left on display for the month of October. Our day will begin at 12 pm at the Hanover Township Community Center, located at 3660 Jacksonville Rd. Bethlehem, PA 18017. We will begin the festivities with our Vera Bradley Bingo (food will be available). Once intermission hits (approximately around 1:30pm), we will then proceed to plant the field of pink on the HTCC municipal fields and begin the festivities associated with it.

When arriving at the Field of Pink everyone will enjoy a brief presentation and planting of our field. Flag sponsorships are suggested at \$1 per flag, and flag donations will be given to The Pink Ribbon Patient Assistance Fund of the Lehigh Valley Hospital, which helps women and men undergoing breast cancer treatments by paying for household expenses.

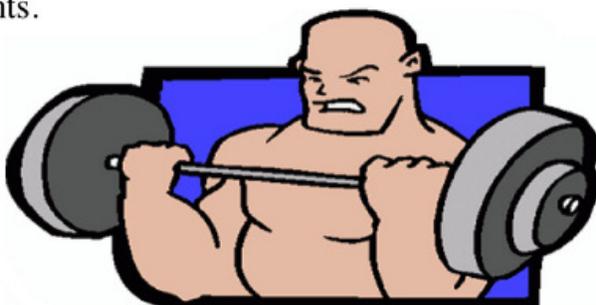
Sponsoring of the flags will begin on Saturday, July 30, 2016 at Pink Day at the Hanover Pool. Flags can be purchased at Hanover Township Community Center during normal business hours up until the day of and during the event. You are encouraged to write "In Honor of" or "In Memory of" on your sponsored flags and join us on October 16th to plant our Field of Pink. If you wish to sponsor a flag but cannot join us on October 16th, you can leave the flag at HTCC and we will plant it for you! Sponsorship forms can also be found on the Field of Pink Facebook page and the Hanover Township Community Center website at hanovercommunitycenter.com. As always, we will be raffling off a piece of jewelry with the proceeds to go toward a breast cancer resource foundation.

Fitness Fair #2

Do you like a discount?

Do you need a fitness membership?

If you answered yes to the above, come see us at the Community Center on Saturday, June 11 from 10 am-12 pm. **All FITNESS memberships of 3 months or longer will be discounted up to 50% if you are one of the 1st 50 in line that morning.** Special is only open to the 1st 50 people in line. All others who wish to renew during this membership drive time will receive 10%. Renewal will only be available for those who are currently expired or those who expire before September 1, 2015. Offer not available to be combined with any other discounts.



PRESCHOOL AGE ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

NEED BEFORE SCHOOL & AFTER SCHOOL CARE?

Then we have you covered!

Children in preschool to grades K-8 are invited to participate in this structured and theme related enrichment program. Children may sign up 24 hours in advance for "as needed" service, or contracts are available for the school year. Children with contracts may sign up for care when preschool is off.

Hours are 7:30 am-5:45 pm Monday to Friday.

Fee schedule- HTCC Preschool student or Basic Membership is required in addition to hour

BLOCK HOURS-

10 hours=	\$100.00
20 hours=	\$180.00
30 hours=	\$240.00
40 hours=	\$280.00
50 hours=	\$300.00

BEST VALUE:

A contractual agreement:

10-14 hrs/ week	\$5/Hour
15-19 hrs/ week	\$4.50/ Hour
20+ hrs/ week	\$4/Hour

Sports & Specialty Summer Camps

Summer Volleyball Camp

HTCC Volleyball Day Camp

Monday - Thursday Ages: 10 - 15

This program will reinforce skills necessary to play at the appropriate level.

Instructor: Katie Yanochko Assistant Volleyball Coach— Emmaus. Learn or improve your skills - volleyball basics - passing, setting, hitting and serving. Basic knowledge of the game. Position specific training.

July 18 - July 21 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Fees: \$75 members/\$95 non-members

Teen Weight Training Camp

Monday - Thursday Ages: 12 - 16

Participants will be introduced to fitness training guidelines, appropriate use of the equipment, and gym etiquette. Class will review the five components of fitness with an emphasis on life-long fitness habits. This program is a prerequisite for any student wishing to use the fitness room without adult supervision.

Participants will receive a workout booklet.

June 20 - June 23 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Fees: \$49 members/\$79 non-members

Flag Football Camp

July 21 & 22

Ages 8 & under- 10 am-12 pm

Ages 9-14 yrs.- 12:30-2:30pm

In partnership with Greater Lehigh Valley Athletics, Hanover Township Community Center is offering a three-day flag football camp. This is the perfect program for young athletes who want an introduction to America's Game or for those who simply want to brush up on their skills in preparation for league play. Through a 'skill of the day', campers will learn skills on both sides of the ball including components of passing, catching and de-flagging or defensive positioning - all presented in a fun and positive environment. End the week playing against fellow campers in a 40-minute game and put your skills to the test! Free t-shirt.

Cost: \$50 Members/\$60 Non-Members



Theatre Seekers & Theatre Tots Drama Classes

Saturdays: August 6th-September 10th

Time: 9:30 am- Theatre Tots (ages: infants to age 4)

10:30 am- Theatre Seekers (ages 5-10)

Children will learn to project their voice and speak clearly, and to and learn empathy.

Teacher: Miss Anne Theme: Under the Sea

Cost: \$65 for Members/\$70 for non-members (payable to instructor)



Hanover Car Show

Sunday, September 4 - 9 am - 2:30 pm

Hanover Car show is back and better than ever; more classes for car owners to enter and more prizes to give away! This year's car show is Sunday, September 6th and will feature different merchandise from local vendors, food and music. Like many of our other events and programs, our goal is to achieve community outreach and education. Again, our car show is in honor of our emergency personnel with a certain percentage of proceeds benefiting our local emergency personnel. The best of show award will be in memory of Officer Robert Lasso. We encourage you to come out and meet the volunteers who support our community through the Fire and EMS as well as our Colonial Regional Police Department. Registration forms for those wishing to register can be found www.hanovercommunitycenter.com.

NEW: "Guess the part" Contest, Tin Lizzie's Presentation, Raffles and other lawn games. Multiple Community Organizations will be present with a variety of games, information and freebies.



New Aerobic Classes

Young or Old "Cize & Qi Gong"



Every Tuesday @ 10:30am

Every Wednesday @10:30am



Special Events – Fall Festival

October 1, 2016

Hanover Township's Fall Festival has it all and is a great start to the fall season! As one of our largest special events, the Fall Festival offers live music, food tastings, a free pumpkin patch, tractor rides through the foliage of the municipal complex and a haunted house in the Community Center! New this year, we will be offering apple cider tasting from local farms in the Lehigh Valley. Events commences at 12pm and lasts until the last pumpkin is gone! The best part about this great event, it's **FREE!**



Patriot Day Ceremony - September 11th, 2016

Schedule of Events:

National Anthem

Welcome & September 11 Flag Dedication

Guest Speaker / Presentation...TBA

Flag Retirement by Boy Scout Troop 352

Refreshments to follow inside Community Center

Anyone have an interest in speaking, please contact Nichole Hamburg at HTCC

Important Pool Information

The Hanover Pool will open daily from 1-7pm for the season on Saturday, June 11th. Season passes can be purchased at the community center. This year we have implemented a new daily pass fee structure for residents and nonresidents. Both the season pool pass rates as well as the daily pass rates can be viewed on our website at www.hanovercommunitycenter.com or in the Spring/Summer community center brochure. Please note that the pool will close at 4pm for home swim meets on June 16th, June 20th, June 27th, July 11th, and July 28th.

On Tuesdays and Thursdays from June 21st through July 28th, the pool will again host aqua aerobics as well as new lap swim hours from 10-11 am. Swim lessons for ages 3 and up will run beginning the week of June 13th. Each session will run for one week, Monday through Thursday, with make-up classes being held on Fridays. New for this year, the pool will be running Saturday morning swim lessons beginning June 18th. In addition, we have added more private swimming lesson options. Requests for private lessons can be made at the pool or community center beginning June 11th. Sign-ups for aqua aerobics, morning lap swim, and swim lessons can be done at the community center.

D.H. Productions will host three Dip-n-Dances at the pool this summer from 1-4pm on June 15th, July 13th, and August 10th. These events are perfect for a day of family fun at the pool and include music, dancing, and the opportunity to win prizes while participating in different contests. Hanover Township will also host the Field of Pink kick-off on July 30th. Wear pink to the pool to support breast cancer awareness and purchase a flag in honor of or in memory of someone who has been affected by breast cancer. Please visit our website at www.hanovercommunitycenter.com or call 610-317-8701 for information regarding any of the events or classes held at the pool this summer.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR EAGLE SCOUTS

Eagle Scout Gowda

Vaibhav Gowda of Boy Scout Troop 302, First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, Bethlehem, PA, was honored at a May 2, 2016 Eagle Scout Court of Honor. The Eagle Scout Ranking is the highest in Boy Scouting.

Through the years, Vaibhav has held leadership positions for his Troop Librarian, Den Chief, Scribe and Patrol Leader.

For his Eagle Scout Leadership Project, Vaibhav planned and built an outdoor classroom at Jacobsburg State Park, Wind Gap, PA.

Vaibhav is currently attending Liberty High School and enjoys the piano and is a member of the Robotics and Glee Club and Student Council.

Vaibhav is the son of Shamprasad & Vinutha Gowda.



Eagle Scout Van Buskirk

Zachary Van Buskirk of Boy Scout Troop 302, First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, Bethlehem, PA, was honored at June 5, 2016 Eagle Scout Court of Honor. The Eagle Scout Ranking is the highest in Boy Scouting.

Through the years, Zachary has held leadership positions for his troop as Troop Scribe, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader and Senior Patrol Leader.

For his Eagle Scout Leadership Project, Zachary cut down the Asian viburnum trees at the Wildlands Conservancy in Emmaus, PA. Over a ¾ acre site he and fifteen other young men cut down Asian viburnum and made special log piles that small animals like turkeys could use as a home. Finally, they planted new trees natural to the area. The benefit to the Conservancy is they are able to teach about the trees natural to the area as opposed to the Asian Viburnums.

Zachary is currently attending Liberty High School and will attend Norwich University in the fall. He is very active at Camp Minsi, the summer camp for boy scouts. He has worked there for four years. This summer he will be the Trail to Adventure Director. Trail to Adventure is a program designed for young scouts to teach them basic scouting skills.

Zachary is the son of Mark and Rachel Van Buskirk.



Eagle Scout Kantner

Patrick A. Kantner of Boy Scout Troop 302, First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, Bethlehem, PA, was honored at a May 16, 2016 Eagle Scout Court of Honor. The Eagle Scout Ranking is the highest in Boy Scouting.

Through the years, Patrick has exemplified the virtues of scouting and has exhibited leadership skills in his troop serving as Troop Guide and Assistant Patrol Leader. He is also the recipient of the Order of the Arrow award.

For his Eagle Scout Leadership Project, Patrick planned and built a moveable, modular presentation and display structure for animal's at the Lehigh Valley Zoo in Schnecksville, PA that is safe for the animals and visitors.

Patrick is currently attending Liberty High School and is an avid cyclist recently completely the Five Boro Tour in New York. He is a member of the Grenadier Band and numerous clubs at Liberty.

Patrick is the son of Andy & Deborah Kantner.



Eagle Scout Weikert

Jack S. Weikert of Boy Scout Troop 302, First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, Bethlehem, PA, was honored at an April 23, 2016 Eagle Scout Court of Honor. The Eagle Scout Ranking is the highest in Boy Scouting.

Through the years, Jack has held leadership positions for his Den Chief, Patrol Leader and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader.

For his Eagle Scout Leadership Project, Jack planned and built raised bed gardens at Thomas Jefferson Elementary School in Bethlehem, PA.

Jack is currently attending Liberty High School and is a drummer in the Liberty Grenadier Band and has completed over 400 hours of volunteer community service hours at Thomas Jefferson Elementary School. He is fluent in American Sign Language.

Jack is the son of Dave & Courtney Weikert.



Roadway Safety *by Fire Chief Craig Wasem*



In the United States, motor vehicle crashes are in the top 10 causes of death for people aged 1-54, and more than 30,000 people are killed in crashes each year. In 2013, crash deaths resulted in \$44 billion in medical and work loss costs. In 2015 nearly 24 percent of emergency fire responses in Hanover Township were caused by motor vehicle crashes. However, motor

vehicle crashes, and their related injuries and deaths, are preventable.

Motor vehicle safety applies to everyone. Here are some tips to help keep you safe.

- Use seat belts on every trip, no matter how short.
- Make sure passengers buckle up, too. Unbuckled passengers can injure other passengers in a crash.
- Alcohol, even in small amounts, can impair driving. Don't drive after drinking alcohol or using drugs, and help others do the same.

CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY

Motor vehicle injuries are a leading cause of death among children, but you can make a difference.

- Buckle children in age- and size-appropriate car seats, booster seats, and seat belts, these reduce serious and fatal injuries in a car crash by more than half.
- Remember that children aged 12 and under should be properly buckled in the back seat.
- Set a good example by always wearing a seat belt yourself.

The Colonial Regional Police Department has certified Child Safety Technicians. These officers have been certified through AAA (Automotive Association of America) and the NHTSA (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration). If you wish to have your child restraint seat installed or inspected, contact CRPD at (610)861-4820 to set up an appointment.

MOTOR VEHICLE CRASH TIPS

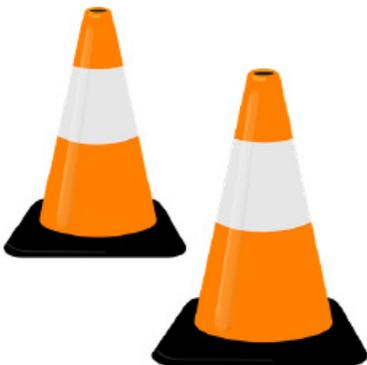
As a responsible driver, you must never leave the scene of an accident. Not only is it essential that you provide any necessary help immediately following an accident, but leaving an accident scene can result in having your driving privileges revoked or your license suspended.

After stopping your vehicle, you should pull up as close to the accident as safely possible, without obstructing traffic. Notify 911 to report any injuries and call for medical assistance. If the accident resulted in injuries, death or property damage, you should inform the local police department.

If you are involved in an accident in Pennsylvania, you are required to provide certain information to the other parties involved. Likewise, fellow motorists, passengers or pedestrians involved in the accident must share similar information with you. Also, it is often wise to ask for the information of witnesses to the accident just in case you need to have them testify at a later date. The key information to exchange in the aftermath of an accident includes:

- Name, address and contact details.
- Driver license number.
- License plate number of the vehicles involved.
- Auto insurance information for the motorists involved.

AREA CONSTRUCTION



This summer construction will effect roadways in the Township. Intersection improvements that are a part of the requirements of the Jandl Land Company will commence at the 512/Brodhead Rd./Crawford Dr. intersection. A northbound turning lane onto S.R. 0512 will be added as you come west on Brodhead Rd. Southbound on S.R. 0512 a right hand turning lane will be added for access to Crawford Drive and a raised median will be added on Crawford Drive from S.R. 0512 westward.

Simultaneously a traffic signal will be installed at the Brodhead Road and the North/South Commerce Ways intersection.

At the intersection of Macada and Schoenersville Roads Lehigh Valley Hospital will be widening the roadway including the entrance ramp to S.R. 0022 eastbound.

Please be cautious in these areas. Thank you!

FIRE COMPANY NEWS

OPEN HOUSE

Come join us for our annual Open House on Saturday, August 13th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. 100 Stoke Park Road. There will be many different raffle prizes for people of all ages. If anyone is interested in donating a basket for our raffle, please contact the fire company at 610-867-2103.



There will be live demonstrations on vehicle rescue and repelling. We will also have many activities for kids to be a part of. There be a smoke house fire awareness trailer for the kids to go inside. They will learn how to be safe at home and not cause a fire. If there is a fire they will learn what to do. We will have a maze built in our garage bays for the kids to crawl through with fire hose to see what it is like to be a firefighter. There will also be small live fires to demonstrate the use of fire extinguishers. We will teach everyone the proper way to use them in case of an emergency. All apparatus will be on display for the community to see. Music, Food and Fun!!

We hope to see you all on **Saturday, August 13th** between of hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

BUILDING DEDICATION/ TRUCK DEDICATION

We will be dedicating our renovated Fire and EMS building as well as our rescue truck and new ladder truck this summer/fall. Please join us to celebrate this special event. Date to be determined. Watch our Facebook page and website for updated information on this event.

DINE AND DONATE PJ WHELIHAN'S

Save the date **Wednesday, June 1st** for our 2nd Annual Fundraiser at PJ's.



Come out and enjoy a nice meal with family and friends. 15% of your total bill will be donated to the Fire Company. Hours for donations are open to close 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.

THANK YOU

A great big Thank you to Home Helpers for the amazing dinner they provided for our members. Home Helpers is a senior care company which helps our elderly residents



A Sincere Thank You to Traditions of Hanover for the appreciation for Emergency Responders Breakfast they held recently. It was very nice to meet everyone and as always the food was amazing.

GRANT WRITERS NEEDED

The Fire Company is able to apply for grants for various items to help our organization. We would love to have your help if you are skilled in writing grants to help us obtain additional monies for equipment for our Company. If you would be interested please contact us at 610-867-2103 or stop by our station.



JOIN OUR TEAM

We are always looking for new volunteers to help serve our Township. If you may be interested in joining our team or learning more about what is involved in volunteering stop by our station. We have training every Monday night at 7 p.m. stop in and see what we are all about. <http://www.htvfc.org>. All required training and equipment is provided FREE of charge.

Visit our website: www.htvfc.org



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<https://www.facebook.com/HTVFCPA>

How Hanover Township Residents' Taxes Compare with Our Neighbors

Sometimes it is important to compare what we as residents in Hanover Township receive in comparison to other municipalities that either is abutting to us or are similar to us in Northampton County either in size or in services provided. The chart below outlines the municipalities that Hanover Township most resembles either in services along the Route 22 & 33 corridors or are a 2nd Class Township like Hanover.

Assessed Value		Palmer	Bushkill	Bethlehem Township (1st Class)	Forks	East Allen	Lower Nazareth	Hanover
	Notes	2, 6	2	3, 6	2, 6	3, 4, 5	3	2, 7
↓	2016 → Mill Rate	7.75	7.5	7.09	7.0	6.5	4.15	3.9
\$150,000		1,162.50	1,125.00	1,063.50	1,050.00	975.50	622.50	585.00
\$100,000		775.00	750.00	709.00	700.00	650.00	415.00	390.00
\$50,000		387.50	375.00	354.50	350.00	325.00	207.50	195.00

This information is presented so that residents in the Township have an understanding as to how their tax dollars are used and how we compare to those in our immediate area.

Notes: (1) Hanover's Fire Tax is .5; (2) These Townships contract and bill for refuse & recycling; (3) These Townships the resident contract for their own refuse & recycling; (4) State Police protection; (5) East Allen's Fire Tax is 1.0; (6) Tax increase in 2016; (7) 9th year without a tax increase.

What You Wanted To Know About Taxes ...And Were Afraid To Ask

Do you know what a mill is? Do you know how many mills of real estate taxes you pay to Hanover Township, the County of Northampton and the Bethlehem Area School District? Do you know how the assessed value of your house and the millage rates are used to compute your taxes? Everyone pays real estate taxes if they own a property, but most people don't understand how their taxes are computed or how all the verbiage about millage and assessed value translates to your wallet. Well, read on and hopefully some, if not all of your questions will be answered.

The word mill means a money amount equal to 1/10 of one cent. One mill is represented in decimal form as .001. Each year the three taxing authorities, the Township, the County and the School District establish the millage rate for the upcoming year. Currently the rates are: Hanover Township - 3.9 mills (.0039), County of Northampton - 11.8 mills (.0118) Bethlehem Area School District - 52.51 (.05251) for 2015 / 2016 up from 50.99 (.05099) in 2014 / 2015.

Taxing Entity	Assessed Home Value	Mill Rate	Annual Tax Bill	% of Your Tax \$'s
Bethlehem ASD**	\$50,000	52.51	\$2,625.50	76.9
County of Northampton	\$50,000	11.8	\$590.00	17.4
Township of Hanover	\$50,000	3.9	\$195.00	5.7
Bethlehem ASD**	\$100,000	52.51	\$5,251.00	76.9
County of Northampton	\$100,000	11.8	\$1,180.00	17.4
Township of Hanover	\$100,000	3.9	\$390.00	5.7
Bethlehem ASD**	\$150,000	52.51	\$7,876.50	76.9
County of Northampton	\$150,000	11.8	\$1,770.00	17.4
Township of Hanover	\$150,000	3.9	\$585.00	5.7

** Indicates a rate increase from 2014/2015 to 2015/2016, and projecting an increase for 2016/2017

What Do I Receive For My Tax Dollars?

Below are just **some** of the services provided for your township tax dollars:

Public Works

- Winter road maintenance and materials
- Yard waste collection
- Road maintenance-crack sealing, asphalt repairs and materials
- Storm sewer inlet maintenance
- Street sweeping
- Leaf collection & tree trimming
- Asphalt paving overlays and materials
- Street and traffic sign materials, maintenance and replacement
- Annual traffic line striping and all intersection markings
- Township-owned building maintenance
- Traffic light installations & maintenance
- Vehicle & equipment maintenance

Administration

- The administration, supervision and control of all township activities to provide the efficient operation of all township services

Zoning & Code Department

- Licensing of contractors and other businesses
- Building codes and zoning ordinance enforcement
- Building and zoning permit applications
- Building, site, and property use plan reviews
- Building inspection
- Nuisance complaints
- Property maintenance enforcement
- Property records and plans management
- Administration of construction and zoning appeals

Parks Department

- Maintenance of 13 community parks
- Maintenance of 7 tot-lot playgrounds
- Maintenance of 11 baseball / softball / soccer / lacrosse fields
- Maintenance of 8 detention basins & berms
- Maintenance of 1 major swale
- Maintenance of 3 pavilions (1 rental)
- Maintenance of three park / pool bathroom facilities
- Snow removal for municipal buildings and parking lots & public sidewalks
- Three firefighters
- Dog Park upkeep

Recreation Programs

- Subsidizing the operation and maintenance of the Community Center
- Subsidizing the operation and maintenance of the Hanover Township municipal pool
- Subsidizing the summer playground program

Colonial Regional Police Department

- Funding 52.0% of the CRPD Budget
- 24 hour, 7 day a week police protection and services to include:
 - ✓ Canine support
 - ✓ Investigative operations
 - ✓ Emergency response team training and operations
 - ✓ Truck safety and weight inspections
 - ✓ Public awareness and safety programs
 - ✓ Participation in drug task force
 - ✓ Bike patrols
 - ✓ DARE & Kids Cards
 - ✓ DUI Checkpoints
 - ✓ Citizens Police Academy

Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Company No. 1

- Subsidizing the 24 hour, 7 day a week, 365 fire services and protection
- Subsidizing the 24 hour, 7 day a week, 365 ambulance service including BLS & ALS
- Purchase of all emergency vehicles (.5 Fire Tax)

Emergency Management

- Emergency management staff recognized as the best in class in Northampton County
- Emergency Management Director and two Deputy Directors
- Up to date Emergency Operations Plan
- Aggressive Outreach Program – large residential facilities
- Three Nationally Certified Emergency Managers

Northampton County Department of Community and Economic Development



Household Hazardous Waste Events

October 8, 2016, 8:30-2:00

Northampton Community College, Main Campus, Bethlehem Township, PA
Use Green Pond Rd entrance only

Northampton County residents ONLY

No electronics accepted—visit: <https://www.Facebook.com/norcodced> OR [Northamptoncounty.org/County Government/Community and Economic Development/Recycling Information](http://Northamptoncounty.org/County%20Government/Community%20and%20Economic%20Development/Recycling%20Information)

Bring Photo ID or recent utility bill to verify residency

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE ACCEPTED

Adhesives	Fire extinguishers	Propane cylinders
Aerosols	Herbicides/pesticides	Thermometers
Antifreeze	Household cleaners	Thermostats
Automotive fluids & cleaners	Mercury-containing products	
Batteries (all types)	Motor oil/filters	
Compressed gas	Oil-based paint & stain	
Fluorescent light bulbs	Old gasoline/oil mixtures	
Flammables/combustibles	Pool chemicals	

Non-hazardous materials will not be accepted

- No latex paint or stains
- No smoke detectors/radioactives
- No medical wastes

Accepted Scrap Metals

Recycling of residential scrap, that is primarily metal, including lawn furniture, vehicle rims/wheels, yard equipment (oil, gas & batteries removed), major metal appliances (washer, dryers, stoves), air conditioners and dehumidifiers (refrigerant does not require removal, it will be recycled), etc.

Questions

[Facebook—Northampton County Dept. of Community and Economic Development](https://www.Facebook.com/norcodced), [Northamptoncounty.org/County Government/Community and Economic Development/Recycling Information](http://Northamptoncounty.org/County%20Government/Community%20and%20Economic%20Development/Recycling%20Information) or contact Ken Zinis, Environment and Sustainability kzinis@northamptoncounty.org or 610-829-6313

Tires

New –free to residents
Highway tires, automobile, SUV and tractor trailer tires only
No rims/wheels accepted
No—farm, bicycle, mini-bike, motorcycle, golf-cart, backhoe ,etc.



YARD WASTE INFORMATION REMINDER

The pickup will start in the northern most part of each sector on MONDAY (unless noted on the schedule available at www.hanovertwp-nc.org) and proceed southerly. Yard waste must be curbside NO LATER than 7:00 a.m. on the dates noted on the schedule. The yard waste truck will make only **one pass** through each sector during the week identified. *This does not mean the entire sector will be picked up on Monday. Collection starts on Monday and proceeds southerly.*

Material must be placed **curbside** either in the 92-gallon Township container, other rigid container or YARD WASTE BAGS available at most hardware or building material stores. Containers and/or bags, other than the 92-gallon barrels provided by the Township **must weigh less than 70 lbs.** *Yard waste placed in plastic bags will not be collected.*

YARD WASTE ACCEPTED MATERIAL

- Leaves (1)
- Small Brush – up to 4" in diameter (no longer than 6 feet, tied & bundled)
- Hedge & shrub trimmings, garden plants residue
- Christmas trees free of ornaments, lights, garland, tinsel & stands

YARD WASTE NOT ACCEPTED

- Grass (2)
- Sod
- Tree Stumps

- (1) Leaves will be picked up starting the 2nd week of October continuing through the 1st week of December when raked to the curb.
- (2) Recycle your grass using a mulching mower or by cutting your lawn frequently and leaving the grass on the lawn. This does not contribute to thatch and provides an excellent fertilizer. You can place your grass out for the regular trash collection but this is not recommended by the Township or the Department of Environmental Protection.
- (3) Ornamental Grass will not be collected.

Yard waste is only picked up where residents place refuse and recycling curbside for collection. If you have questions, please contact the Township @ 610.866.1140, ext 224.

Schedule is also available on the Township Website www.hanovertwp-nc.org

RECYCLING REMINDER RECYCLING COLLECTIONS INCLUDING MULTI-UNIT FACILITIES



Accepted Materials:

- Cans—Aluminum beverage cans; steel and tin food and beverage cans; empty aerosol containers
- Glass—Clear, Green, and brown food and beverage bottles and jars
- Plastics #1 through #7—soda bottles, water and milk jugs, detergent bottles
- Newspaper—Including all inserts that come with the paper
- Magazines & Catalogs
- Cardboard—Cut into no larger than 3 ft. by 2 ft. pieces
- Paper—High-grade office paper, mixed office paper, junk mail, wrapping paper (remove metallic paper and bows), paper bags and phone books

All can be comingled!

Not Accepted Materials:

Ceramics, dishes, window glass, mirrors, light bulbs, glass cookware, containers of hazardous or toxic materials, tissues or paper towels,, bound books, paper cartons for milk or juice, wax coated boxes, household appliances, toys, coat hangers, Styrofoam or plastic bags.

Street Sweeping and Grass Trimming

Twice a year all the main streets and at least once a year all the other streets in the Township are swept. Additionally, a third of the Township on an annual basis a third of the catch basins for the storm sewer system are cleaned. The Township staff requests that residents and businesses are cognizant of this fact when cutting their lawns. Every attempt should be made to not blow grass onto the Township streets. *Please Help us Keep Hanover Beautiful.*



BETHLEHEM AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Main Library

11 W. Church Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018
610 867-3761

HOURS

Monday-Wednesday: 10AM-8PM
Thursday & Friday: 10AM-6PM
Saturday: 10AM-5PM

South Side Branch

400 Webster Street
Bethlehem, PA 18015
610 867-7852

HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday,
and Thursday: 11AM-8PM
Saturday: noon-4PM

The Library is closed July 2 & 4

PROGRAM INFORMATION Phone the **Main Library** at 610-867-3761 x224, **Youth Services** at 610-867-3761 x499
South Side Branch at 610-867-7852 OR visit www.bapl.org for details.

Exercise your mind. **READ**



Free Adult Programs

Summer Reading Program with prizes!
Yoga classes (weekly)
Needle Crafts
Global Street Photography
Heroin Epidemic panel discussion with Mayor Donchez, police chief, & coroners.

Visit your new, amazing **Children's Center**

Tree-top views in this engaging, nature-themed, HUGE space, designed to inspire young minds, give every child the opportunity to grow into their best possible future. Child-friendly furnishings, easy-reach shelving, the *Laros Program Space*, and an outstanding collection inspires creativity and imagination!

On Your Mark, Get Set, **READ!** Summer Program June 11-August 20

Back Porch Stories with guest authors
Singer/entertainer Steve Pullara
Craft & activity programs
Read to Dogs
Book Discussions
Family Fun Nights
StoryTimes
Art workshop
Magician Brian Richards
STEM activities



Get in the Game!

Teen activities:
Minute to Win It competition
Art workshop
Book Discussions
Movie Marathon
Teen Snack Olympics!

BAPL Book Sales • www.bestbooksale.org

15,000 books, DVDs & CDs in great condition!

Wednesday, July 13 • noon-8PM * Saturday, July 16 • 10AM-4PM

Bookmobile Schedule for Hanover Township

Mondays, except where noted

A WEEK (alternate weeks beginning June 6)

11:30-12:30 Hanover Elementary School (*Saturdays*)
12:15-1:15 Cheryl Dr. at *Southland Condos* (*Thursdays*)
3:00-4:00 Hanover Township Community Center
4:05-4:50 Stonewood & Belaire
5:00-5:45 Monocacy Dr.
6:45-8:15 Chesterfield near Lord Byron

B WEEK (alternate weeks beginning June 13)

12:15-1:15 Toni Ln. at Crawford Dr. (*Thursdays*)
3:00-4:00 Hanover Township Community Center
4:05-4:50 Bridle Path Rd. at *Traditions of America*
5:00-5:45 Monocacy Dr.
6:45-8:15 Chesterfield near Lord Byron



TIPS for AVOIDING SUMMER CRIME

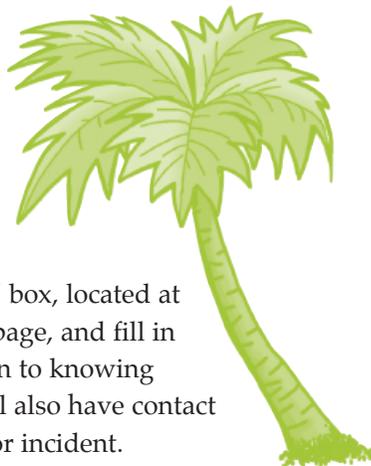


- ❖ **LOCK YOUR DOORS, GARAGES, AND CARS.** Most of the few crimes occurring in our township are crimes of opportunity. Don't give thieves the opportunity to make you a victim.
- ❖ **DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN VIEW** from windows or doors, especially in the rear of the home, where criminals can easily spot valuables and break in to get them.
- ❖ **DO NOT LEAVE BIKES and other toys IN PLAIN VIEW ON THE LAWN.**
- ❖ **USE LIGHTS TO DETER CRIMINALS.** Using lights has been shown to be the best single deterrent of crime. Light up doors, driveways, and sidewalks; a combination of timers and motion detectors provides formidable protection, leading a thief to move on to easier targets.
- ❖ **USE DEADBOLT LOCKS WHEN POSSIBLE** and be sure that they move all the way into locking position, reaching the final click.

GOING ON VACATION?

If you would like the Colonial Regional Police Department to periodically check on your house while you are on vacation, register at www.colonialregionalpd.org.

Click on the "vacation check form" box, located at the lower right hand side of the web page, and fill in the requested information. In addition to knowing when you will be away, the police will also have contact information in case of an emergency or incident.



Township Officials Attend Annual State Convention

Supervisors John Diacogiannis and Mike Prendeville, Public Works Director Vince Milite, Treasurer Beth Bucko and Secretary Beth Ritter attended the 94th Annual State Convention of the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors April 17th – 20th at the Hershey Lodge.

Over 4,000 township officials, exhibitors and guests participated in the four-day event.

The purpose of the annual convention is to provide township officials with information to help them better serve their constituents and to give them an opportunity to exchange ideas on important local government issues.

During the convention's business session, delegates adopted resolutions establishing the official policy of the state association. These resolutions will serve as guidelines for the association in pursuing legislation and regulations favorable to townships.

Pennsylvania's 1,455 township's of the second class represent more than one-third of the state's population and make up the largest of the four types of municipal government in commonwealth.



2016 CRPD Citizen's Police Academy

September 7, 2016 thru November 16, 2016

Having graduated several classes now, the academy shows the citizens of the area just what the police do in the course of their days. Classes include Accident Investigation, Crimes Code, Use of Force, and more. Demonstrations and tours are conducted including the prison, 911 Center and more.

If interested please email, call, or fax the application located on our website. Deadline is August 19, 2016.

(website) www.colonialregionalpd.org

(email) info@colonialregionalpd.org

(phone) 610-861-4820

(fax) 610-861-4829

ASA PACKER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

by Jonathan C. Horvath, Principal

Spring is in the air at Asa Packer Elementary School.

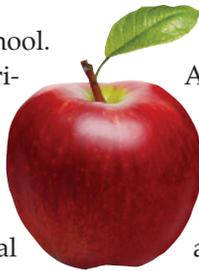
We've had an exciting year full of great experiences - Book fairs, talent show, thons and even a visit from a famous author!

Our year began with the annual Walk-a-thon where students raised almost \$8,000 for our school!

In January, students were treated to a very special visit from Author/Illustrator John Steven Gurney. Children enjoyed a presentation and meet and greet session complete with autographed books!

Speaking of books, our annual Book Fairs were super successful and earned enough money to purchase about \$5,400 worth of new books for the school library!!

Celebrating our students and community is one of our favorite things to do at Asa Packer. Our International Dinner does just that by bringing our families together, sharing food and enjoying the many cultures represented in our Asa Packer Family. We were joined this year by the Liberty High School Grenadiers!!! Our annual Talent Show/Silent Auction was another great night, filled with singing, dancing and loads of talent. The silent auction helped raise lots of money for the school too! What fun!!



The Arts are an important part of our students' Asa Packer experience. We are so lucky to have wonderful and talented staff to provide our children with musical and artistic instruction. The halls are decorated with colorful creations and filled with music as children practice for the Spring Musicale. We are also excited to report that our annual Arts Day was an enormous success!! Students enjoyed live performances and spent a day visiting with various artists from in and around our community. Actors, musical performers, gymnasts and more shared their talents and provided workshops for our children.

These are just some of the experiences our children have enjoyed this past school year, and we are not done yet! The Fifth Grade Picnic and our annual end-of-year Patio Party are on the horizon!

As we look back on the 2015-2016 school year, we can't help but smile, and we can't wait until next year!!

Three Cheers for another awesome year at Asa Packer Elementary School!!

Puma Pride!!!

PHONE SCAMS - please don't be fooled!!

IRS PHONE SCAM

Aggressive and threatening phone calls by criminals impersonating IRS agents remain a major threat to taxpayers, headlining the annual "Dirty Dozen" list of tax scams for the 2016 filing season, the Internal Revenue Service announced today.

The IRS has seen a surge of these phone scams as scam artists threaten police arrest, deportation, license revocation and other things. The IRS reminds taxpayers to guard against all sorts of con games that arise during any filing season. **The IRS does not contact individuals via phone.**

"Taxpayers across the nation face a deluge of these aggressive phone scams. Don't be fooled by callers pretending to be from the IRS in an attempt to steal your money," said IRS Commissioner John Koskinen. "We continue to say if you are surprised to be hearing from us, then you're not hearing from us."

If you get a phone call by someone claiming to be from the IRS:

- Don't talk to the caller or give out any information.
- Hang up immediately.
- Report the call to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration, either online at IRS Impersonation Scam Reporting or by phone at 800-366-4484.



SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SCAM

It's a startling phone call you could receive: "There's a warrant out for your or a relatives arrest." The scam going on right now in Northampton County hopes that fear will cause you to act without thinking.

The scammers are telling victims that they have a warrant for their arrest, or a loved one that has been issued due to a failure to pay taxes, appear for jury duty, etc., but may entail other false threats.

The caller is very pushy and poses as an employee of the sheriff's department. To make the pitch very convincing, the scammer will:

- use the name of an actual sheriff's department employee
- give the actual telephone number of a sheriff's office
- have some of your personal information such as a former address or your date of birth
- threaten you or others with jail time or taking away your driver license
- ask for more personal information
- ASK FOR MONEY either with a credit, debit or prepaid card

If this occurs please contact the Colonial Regional Police Department by dialing 911.

FEDERAL OFFICIALS

Senator Patrick Joseph ("Pat") Toomey (R)
 1150 S. Cedar Crest Boulevard
 Suite 101
 Allentown, PA 18103
 610.434.1444

Senator Robert Patrick ("Bob") Casey, Jr. (D)
 840 Hamilton Street
 Suite 301
 Allentown, PA 18101
 610.782.9470

Representative Charles Weider ("Charlie") Dent (R)
 3900 Hamilton Boulevard
 Suite 2017
 Allentown, PA 18103
 610.770.3490

DELIVER AS ADDRESSED
OR TO CURRENT RESIDENT

Meetings of Boards and Commission

The following is a list of all meetings for the Hanover Township Boards, Committees and Commissions. All meetings are open to the public and are held at the Township Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road, with the exception of the Special Events and Recreation Advisory Board which are held at the Community Center, 3660 Jacksonville Road.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: January, February, March, April, May, June, September, October and November on the SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAY; July and August the FOURTH TUESDAY and December the THIRD TUESDAY all starting at 7:00 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION: February, March, April, May, June, October, November and December on the FIRST MONDAY and January, July, August and September the SECOND MONDAY all starting at 7:30 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE: Meetings are held the THIRD TUESDAY of each month, starting at 7:00 p.m.

RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD: Meetings are held the SECOND THURSDAY of January, March, June, July, August, September and November starting at 7:30 p.m.

ZONING HEARING BOARD: Meetings are held the FOURTH THURSDAY of each month whenever required. Time(s) of the hearing will be announced when scheduled.

SHADE TREE ADVISORY COMMISSION: Meetings are held the LAST MONDAY of each month, except May which is held the last Wednesday of the month and August meeting which is held September 3. Meetings start at 6:30 p.m.

CRIME WATCH: January, March, May, July, September and November on the FIRST TUESDAY. Meetings start at 7:00 p.m.