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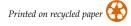
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ights and Sights of the Best Holiday Display Contest

Decorate your home for the holidays and wind up a winner. This year marks the Third Annual Best Holiday Display Contest for the creative, talented residents of Hanover Township.

A panel of Special Events Committee Judges will tour the Township scouting out the best displays in each of the six districts. Judging will begin December 9th with the lucky winners notified the last week of December.

Each of the six winners will receive special gift certificates and be featured in an upcoming issue of Hanoverview.

Start planning your displays now and your decorated home may receive the honor of Best Holiday Display Winner.

For more information, contact Margaret Giordano, Community Relations Director, at 610-866-1140.



Lights and Sights of the Holidays Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony *Friday, December 1st, 6 pm – Share in the Spirit of the Holiday Season!!!*

Mark your calendar for family fun on Friday, December 1st. The tree lighting festivities begin at 6:00 p.m. at the Hanover Township Community Center where you'll enjoy:

- marshmallows and hot dogs roasting on an open fire
- music being sung by a choir
- rides in a one-horse open sleigh

This year's community tree will be decorated in red, white and blue ornaments in honor of our troops. Donations of themed ornaments are give ly welcomed. If your group or organization would like to participate, pease call 610-866-1140 for more information.

The event is FREE and open to all.



Hanover Township Pride Banners

Due to overwhelming requests, Hanover Township is again running the Hanover Banner Campaign. Banners are approximately 36 inches wide and 60 inches tall. They are burgundy or navy blue with white

lettering. Each banner is personalized with your family or business name. Banners will be on display for two years. Please call 610-866-1140 for more information.

Hanover Township Banner Removal

Residents who purchased banners during the Hanover Banner Campaign in 2003 - 2004 are reminded that the banners will be removed at the end of the month. If you would like to extend your sponsorship and retain your banner at its current location, please call 610-866-1140. All removed banners will be available at the township building for 3 months.



Residential Building Permit Checklist

by Yvonne D. Schoenly, Zoning Officer

In general a building permit is required for new construction, additions, repair, renovation, alteration, moving, demolition, occupancy and change of occupancy of every building or structure. A building permit is also required for both in-ground and above-ground swimming pools.

This checklist is intended to serve as a general guideline in obtaining a building permit for a residential construction project. This checklist is written to cover a wide range of projects and not every item listed will apply to every project. A review of this list should help the applicant gather the required documents. This should make the permit process easier for both the applicant and code dept.

1) BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION: Available online or at the Township Building. The applicant fills out the first page, the second and has a place for the applicant to sign and date. The third page has room for a plot plan and/or construction drawing. Application shall be submitted with two sets of the site plan and construction detail.

2) SITE PLAN: This is a drawing or copy of your survey. The site plan must show where existing structures are located and where new construction is planned. This drawing must show the all streets, road right-of-ways, setback distance from the property line and existing easements.

3) CONSTRUCTION DRAWING AND DOCUMENTS: The Codes Department does not require Stamped Drawings for residential projects, however, all submitted drawings should be of sufficient quality and detail for us to review for compliance with the code.

Your application should include two (s) sets of the following:

• Floor Plan: A drawing showing room dimensions and all door and window openings. This should be submitted for all building levels.

• Construction Drawing: Show at a minimum, footer details including rebar, foundation construction, framing detail, insulation values, and roofing material.

A cross-section drawing is a popular and effective way to show all of this.

Sample drawings are available at the Township office.

• Technical Data Sheets: Our review process requires the submittal of technical information for the following items:

• Windows, u-factor and r-value from the manufacturer technical sheet

• Roof trusses, must have 30 lb. snow load

• Engineered products. Joist, or LVL

4) PLUMBING: All Plumbing shall be performed by licensed tradesperson. They will obtain their own permits, submit their own drawings, and schedule their own inspections. For new homes and additions to new homes these drawings should be included with the building permit application.

5) ELECTRICAL: Drawings specific to the project is required to be included with the building permit. New electric service and changes to the existing electrical service require a PPL Work Order Number prior to the issuance of an electrical permit and inspection.

6) HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING: A Heat Loss Study is required for any heating or air conditioning system installations or upgrades relating to a new home or addition. This is a worksheet or sometimes a software-based calculation of the heating requirements of the building and is mandated by the building code. A free program is available from the Department of Energy on their website at http://www.energycodes.gov/rescheck/download.stm

The installation of any new system requires a separate Mechanical Permit.

7) GRADING PLAN: A grading plan shall be provided for all new construction and when the existing grade changes more than one-foot.

8) REVIEW PROCESS: Upon the receipt of a Building Permit Application the Codes Department will review the application and distribute it to other departments for review. We will obtain costs for water and sewage hookups, driveway permits, and zoning fees. These costs will be paid upon approval of the application and issuance of the permit. This review process can take anywhere from 1 to 15 days.

9) **REQUIRED INSPECTIONS**: These will vary by project. but a typical new home or addition will need:

• Footer Inspection and possibly a Foundation Inspection if walls are to be core filled or poured

• Rough Framing Inspection after Rough Wiring, Rough Plumbing, and Rough Mechanical Inspections

- Insulation Inspection(s)
- Drywall Inspection

• Final Inspection which must be done before occupancy is permitted

SPECIAL NOTE: As mentioned above this is a general guideline that should help the end-user in planning a building project. It may not cover all subjects and like wise not all of the above things may be required for your particular project. It is our hope that this will help applicants understand the process and better prepare for any upcoming projects. Feel free to contact the Zoning Officer at 610-866-1140.

Currently, Hanover Township, Northampton County uses the 2003 International Construction Code and the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code. Be advised that the Township adopts these model codes and makes minor amendments to them. You can see a copy of these codes at the Township Office, or buy copies at www.iccsafe.org.

NEW LAW PROVIDES FOR FAMILIES OF FALLEN SERVICE MEMBERS

A column by Senator Pat Browne, 16th Senatorial District



Our national strength and our personal freedoms that we hold dear are preserved each day by our military and it is only fitting that we recall and honor that dedication to duty.

Today, thousands of Pennsylvanians are serving overseas, some in garrison duty and others in much more dangerous environments. Some are active duty members, while many others are serve as part of the Pennsylvania

National Guard and Pennsylvania Air National Guard.

It takes a special person to be a soldier, a sailor, an airman, a Marine, or a member of the Coast Guard. What kind of person can sleep in a tent night after night and lace up a set of boots well before the sun rises? How many people would want to face the threats and uncertainties that our service members do on a daily basis?

And, we must never forget the toll that military service takes on loved ones left behind.

I am pleased to report that the General Assembly approved legislation I co-sponsored that provides tuition credits to spouses and children of Pennsylvania National Guard members who die while on active military duty.

Act 105 of 2006 also requires the Commonwealth to cover all or a portion of the life insurance premiums for Pennsylvania National Guard members called to active duty to serve in a combat zone as well as those killed in the line of duty on or after September 11, 2001.

This is a solid piece of legislation for Pennsylvanians serving in the military as well as their families. I am extremely pleased that the General Assembly acted to provide these important benefits to those serving and especially to those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

Previously, only the children of members of the Pennsylvania National Guard who are killed or die as a result of injuries received while on State active duty shall be entitled to a 50 percent tuition credit at all Pennsylvania State-owned colleges or universities or approved trade schools. This legislation increases the benefit for children from a 50 percent tuition credit to a 100 percent tuition credit, while creating a 100 percent tuition credit for spouses.

We, as a nation and a Commonwealth, hold our service members and veterans in high esteem. We especially honor those who have given their lives in the call of duty. However, we also have a hallowed responsibility to care for those who are left behind.

This legislation will not end the pain that comes with the death of a loved one, but it is a way to help ease the emotional and financial burdens that families face after a tragic loss.

<u>ASA PACKER SCHOOL NEWS</u>

Puma Pride is off and running as we usher in a new school year at Asa Packer Elementary. We welcomed new staff, new students, and new tiled floors and are looking forward to an exciting year. New to our staff are Mrs. Elizabeth Gawlick, Kindergarten, and Mrs. Carrie Beleno, 3rd grade.

Recently, our 3rd grade traveled back to the future when they visited Burnside plantation. They learned about Bethlehem's early Moravians and how they lived. (Did you know that they used pig's bladders to cover jars??) This trip fits nicely in with 3rd grade's Social Studies unit on Moravians.

First grade also enjoyed a field trip to Northeast Middle School to see the Children's Theatre production of "Junie B. Jones." This professional ensemble delighted the children with three Junie stories in one. It was great fun!

The PTO has many events lined up to assist in raising funds for our new playground equipment including KidStuff books and Enjoy the City books. They hosted an International Dinner on September 29 to celebrate the diversity of our student population. Did you know we have 17 languages represented in our school? Amazing!

Upcoming events include parent and grandparent visitations through American Education week and Weller Center presentation for the entire school and a fire prevention assembly.

NEW FESTIVAL WILL SHINE UPON BETHLEHEM

The Star of Bethlehem Festival will debut in Bethlehem on the green between Spring and Lehigh Streets (near the Hill-to-Hill Bridge). Mark your calendars for May 17 through 20, 2007. The festival will be a hybrid of two popular events that no longer exist, The Christmas City Fair and the Rose Garden's Children Festival. Dedicated people are coming together to produce an event that will combine the best of these two festivals. There will be many opportunities for children, of all ages, to learn different aspects of art and science through interactive and hands-on exhibits. Various entertainers will showcase their musical, magical and literary talents. Local food vendors will offer their tasty delights and there will be plenty of beverages on hand to quench your thirst. For mom and dads, there will be a crafter tent with approximately 40 merchants where you can shop for that hard to find item.

Proceeds will benefit VIA and Bethlehem Education Endowment Fund. If you would like to be a sponsor, a presenter, schedule a field trip for your class, a craft vendor or a volunteer during this inaugural year, please call Tom or Linda Merkel at 610-694-8766 and we'll direct you to the appropriate contact person. Keep reading the *Hanoverview* for our exciting schedule of events.



This summer in three waves the Colonial Regional Police Department participated in an aggressive driving prevention campaign that had previously been successful in Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C.

The Lehigh Valley was one of three regions in the state to receive federal funding for the project – which was comprised of targeted enforcement (S.R. 512 & Schoenersville Road), education and community awareness.

The three waves were June 18th – July 8th, July 23rd – July 29th and August 27th – September 9th.

ENFORCEMNT SUMMARY

Maximum Speed Limits
Careless Driving2
Following Too Closely
Overtaking Vehicle on Right1
Turning Movements & Required Signals15
Traffic Control Signals
Obedience to Traffic Control Signals
Stop Signs and Yield Signs1
Driving on Divided Highways11
Meeting/Overtaking School Bus2
Occupant Protection Violations15
Suspended License
Others Citations
DUI Arrests1
Drug Arrests1
TOTAL CITATIONS/ARRESTS:





Colonial Regional Police also performed truck safety inspections along Hanoverville Road during the summer.

HANOVER TOWNSHIP LIONS NEWS

October was White Cane month in the Lions organization. White canes were at one time the main item used by persons with sight problems.

Thank you to anyone who may have seen us working at the WaWa on Schoenersville Road October 6-7, 2007 and made a contribution. Blindness prevention and sight conservation is the main goal of the lions, and monies raised during white cane month go to such programs as Leader Dog School for the Blind, Sight Research, Beacon Lodge, a camp for persons of all ages with sight problems sponsored by the Lions of Pennsylvania and VIABLE of Northampton County are just a few of the programs sponsored by Lions.

In 1928, Helen Keller visited Bethlehem, in her crusade against darkness and at that program were members of local lions clubs, who after hearing her presentation responded by establishing the Northampton County Association for the Blind, now known as Visual Impairment and Blindness Services of Northampton County, located at 129 E. Broad St. in Bethlehem, providing 78 years of service. Anyone can go to www.lionsclubs.org and click on english to see and read more about our Lions International organization or www.lions14k.org for information on the local level.

We are presently selling brooms. For more information call 610-865-5440



The employees of Waste Management would like to extend a sincere

"THANK-YOU"

to the residents who provided them with cold beverages and water during this summer's heat. They are genuinely appreciative of your concern.

HANOVER SCHOOL NEWS by Karen Laudone, PTA President

Summer has passed and school is back. Before school began we greeted some new staff members for 2006 - 2007: Miss Sergent, first grade, Ms. Herbold, speech; Ms. Koch, psychologist; Mrs. Kozero, art; and Ms. Velleca, ESOL.

Hanover children were honored and proud upon receiving test results of the PSSA for the 2005-2006 school year. They are as follows:

Grade 3	Math:	Hanover ranked 39th out of 1843
		schools in PA (top 2%)
	Reading:	Hanover Ranked 61st out of 1843
		schools in PA (top 3%)
Grade 4	Math:	Hanover ranked 94th out of 1824
		schools in PA (top 5%)
	Reading:	Hanover ranked 25th out of 1824
		schools in PA (top 1%)
Grade 5	Math:	Hanover ranked 12th out of 1733
		schools in PA (top 0.7%)
	Reading:	Hanover ranked 41st out of 1733
		schools in PA (top 2%)

The children enjoyed a jumpstart with popsicles on our first day of school. Our Back to School Night was a thrill; Hanover families were able to greet the faculty and staff, and learn about what their children will be doing in their home away from home. The students were able to pledge their allegiance to our flag during America on Constitution Day and smile for the camera on Picture Day.

We kicked off the autumn season with an event that was a big hit, our very first Fall Festival. Children and parents alike enjoyed hot chocolate, home made goodies, prizes, rides, games, friendships and laughs during this grand event. Next in store was a special assembly for the students. Mary Wright enthralled our children with folk stories and fun. American Education Week let us see how our children learn giving us a grander respect for the education profession. Each year students, parents and family members anticipate the Book Fair and Greatperson's Day. This year was no different. Our children paraded the neighborhood showing off their personalities through their Halloween costumes, then back to the classrooms for a much awaited party.

As the school year continues, our PTA committees and volunteers are working hard to make the faculty, staff and our children's lives at Hanover a happy one. Mr. Metarko plans to have four Principal Coffee Hours allowing parents to get to know him, hear more about what's planned for the school and discuss concerns they may have. Student assemblies are scheduled during the winter and spring months. We look forward to a Satori/Banana Factor Assembly, Author Day, Ice Skating and Bowling Nights. Parents will beam with pride when our children show us their vocal and instrumental talents at our annual winter and spring concerts.

Bingo Night, Talent Show, Science Day are all functions our children look forward to. These events are sure to be a hit. The school year will end with a bang from Field day, All School Picnic Day and the Farewell Festival (previously known as the Spring Festival).

Parents have some concerns with the traffic on Jacksonville Road. Since all children are so precious, we ask travelers to proceed slowly during morning and afternoon dismissal times. Remember, all children are precious and we need to keep them safe.

Keep an eye out for our new website (Hanoverpta.org) which is currently under construction. We will incorporate the school's calendar, newsletters and information on activities and functions planned throughout the year.

GET INVOLVED IN YOUR COMMUNITY

The Special Events Committee is eager to welcome new volunteers to share their time and talents and assist in the planning and organization of community events such as the Halloween Parade, Tree Lighting, and Family Fun Day. For more information, please contact Margaret Giordano, Community Relations Director at 610-866-1140.

Get involved in your Community

The Recreation Advisory Board Special Events Committee is eager to welcome new volunteers to share their time and talents and assist in the planning of recreation and recreational facilities in the Township. For more information, please contact Betty Soltys @ 610-691-8973.

Community Service Hours

High schools students wishing to complete Community Service Hours here in the township may contact Margaret Giordano at 610-866-1140.

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Hanover Township Community Center

"the Heart of the Community"

HTCC - Ahead of the times!

In honor of the 10 year anniversary of Hanover Township Community Center, the Recreation Department will be collecting photos of families recreating in our municipal tract over the years. If you would like to share your photos please drop them off at the Community Center front desk or at the Heritage Festival on **November 11th**. Clearly mark your photos with your name and number if you would like them returned.

Photos will be displayed in various ways; on our website and in the Community Center. If you would like to donate your photos, a scrapbook will be made through a service project at the Center. Anyone interested in helping archive our recreation history, please contact HTCC at 610-317-8701.



Annual Basic Membership

This includes use of the gymnasium, game room, locker room,				
and lounge areas,.	Also, discounted rates of HTCC programs.			
Fitness room use is $$5$ per visit, aerobic classes are $$_3$ per class,				
and babysitting is $\$2$ per hour per child. Membership paid in full.				

	Resident	Non-Resident
Family	\$114	\$178
Adult	\$66	\$103
Student	\$54	\$85
Senior (62+)	\$54	\$85

**discount applies for memberships paid in full only!



Board of Supervisors at the groundbreaking ceremony: J. Diacogiannis, F. Colon, G. Walbert and S. Salvesen



Join HTCC before any increases go into affect for 2007! 10% off on November 11th! **

Heritage Festival line up:

- Township Committees– Park & Recreation Advisory board, Airport Advisory Committee
- Public Library
- Steelworkers Archives
- Lehigh Valley Hospital
- Holly Jolly the clown
- Local school groups and churches
- Anniversary Cake & Raffle drawing at 12 noon
- HTCC 5K Run @ 9am
- Interactive displays throughout the Center
- Activities in the gym 10:30 to 11:30

Raffle tickets on sale through November 11th! WIN A CAR OR 6 OTHER VALUABLE PRIZES!

\$60 a ticket or 2 for \$90!

Only 700 tickets made; 1:100 chance to win a prize!

Annual Fitness Membership This includes all Basic Membership privileges, plus FREE use of the fitness room, FREE aerobic classes, FREE babysitting, and discounted

rates on HTCC programs. Membership paid in full.

	Resident	Non-Resident
Family	\$435	\$682
Adult	\$225	\$353
Student	\$105	\$163
Senior (62+)	\$105	\$163

Student: Must be a full time student up to 22 years old. Family Membership includes 2 adults and children under the age of 22 living in the same household.

Holiday One-Stop Shopping Extravaganza

Mark your Calendar! Hanover Township Preschool has exciting news! We are holding our 4th Annual Holiday One-Stop Shopping Extravaganza at Hanover Township community Center on Wednesday, November 29, 2006 from 5:00-8:00! Over 30 vendors will be selling cash and carry items that include holiday crafts, jewelry, home goods, and seasonal items, featuring home based businesses such as Arbonne, Longaberger, Tupperware, Discovery Toys, Silpada, and more! Highlights include a raffle for our tricky-tray and a bake sale! Come out and do your holiday shopping, and have some fun! Thank you to the PVO for organizing this great event!!

Nifty Fifty has Swift Start!

The Hanover Township Nifty Fifty Social Programs on the Wednesdays of every month started off on October 4th with a wonderful turn out for the Red Hat Nifty Gals luncheon. We had thirty women registered for the program. Though not everyone made the first meeting, we had a great turn out and every one attending was extremely happy with the program and enjoyed themselves immensely. Cathy Heimsoth, Recreation Director, surprised everyone by treating them to a delicious hot luncheon. The group discussed all the things they would like to do in the future and it proves to be a very pleasant and fun group. Our second Wednesday was game day. Again, the first meeting was enthusiastically attended by 10 ladies who chose to play some Mah Jong and Pinochle. The two hours flew by and all the

talk was what games we were going to play next month. Some of the areas they would like to explore are Bunco, Poker, Tripoly, Canasta etc. Looks like our group is very diverse and willing to try new and exciting games just for fun. They also talked about the men of the community joining us for game day. The gentlemen were not clear if they could join us....let me tell you, all are welcome!

Third Wednesday proves to be interesting as we have 10 women signed up for stitch and chat. So far we have quilting, crochet, knitting, embroidery and crewel represented in the group. Please come and share your project...maybe get the opportunity to finish something that has been sitting for a while. Need help? Crafty gals will gladly share their knowledge with you. We also have had a lot of supplies donated to the center and would welcome

Hanover Township Community Center

Northampton County Final Four

Mark you calendar for the weekend of April 13-15! Hanover Township Community Center, Bethlehem Community Center, Northampton Borough Rec Center and Palmer Township Community Center will be hosting a new program for players 18 to 34 and 35 & over. Each site will host a 3 on 3 home tournament and the winners will compete for the final four County Champions. \$30 a team includes t-shirts and registration takes place at your home facility! Call 610-317-8701 for more information!

"Tremendous great group, I met new people and learned new games." Karen Hill

everyone using them.

A Book Club is set up for the fourth week. Again we have over a dozen ladies registered. Three books have been selected for their review and we will discuss what they would like to read. It is quite possible the group will split in two and read two different books based on individual taste. We want recommendations on selections, as we will read a book a month and then discuss it the following month. Everyone involved so far, is looking forward to the program.

Obviously, the programs are off to a swift start. Those who would still like to join us should register at the front desk. November 1, Red Hats at Noon; Nov. 8 Game day at 1PM; Nov. 16, Stitch and Chat at 1PM; and Nov. 23 Book Club at 1PM. Mark your calendar and Join Us !!

Township programs compliment each other and opportunities for Hanover Townmship residents!

Have you noticed the soccer fields seem to be a lot busier this year? Well that would be because of the community cooperation with residents and organizations in the township. HTCC now offers the Hanover Soccer Academy, a recreation program designed to introduce children 5 to 9 to the joy of soccer. In addition to the recreation activity, if your child would like to take their soccer skills to the next level, HTCC and the Bethlehem Soccer Club have joined forces to offer a quality traveling soccer program within Hanover Township. The Hanover Starz cheering program has also added fun to the program by providing a hometown cheering squad! All of these programs make it easy to see how the Community Center has provided a platform for recreation to grow and improve in our community. If you would like more information about any of these programs check out www.hanovertwp-nc.org!

Hanover Soccer Academy First Session: 102 participants!



Hanover Soccer Academy is highlighted in the Bethlehem News- pick up your copy of the Bethlehem News weekly at HTCC

Hanover Township Preschool Update

Hanover Township preschool is proud to offer opportunities for young children through our traditional preschool programs and our added value programming. As an Accredited Preschool through NAEYC and a Four-Star Program through Keystone Stars, we are able to provide children with quality programs taught by quality teachers in our beautiful facility.

Along with our preschool programs, we offer added value programs for children from 18 months old through 5 years old. They include; Spanish Para Pequenos, Tumble Tots, Music Tots, Art Classes, and weekly themed programs such as Fairytales and Finger plays and Today's Special.

For the 2006/07 school year, the school recently has made available a few spots in the Pre-K class, as well as the Four and Three year old programs. If you are interested in registering your child for any of these traditional preschool experiences, contact Susan Lavelle at 610-317-8701.

Registration for the 2007/08 year will be held in January of 2007. Classes fill up fast so plan on coming early!



4 Week Mini Session available for the added-value programs; starting the week of November 27th and ending December 18th! Just in time for those holiday shopping trips!

- Fairy Tales and Finger Plays; Fri. 12-2:30 pm
- Today's Special; Wed. 12-2:30 pm
- Music for Tots; Thurs. 10:30-11:00 am
- Tumble Tots; Tues. 10:30-11:00 am
- Spanish Para Pequenos; Wed. 9:30-10:15 am
- Art Class; Fri. 10-10:45 am

Session II (8 weeks) starts the week of January 8th and runs to February 26th.

Winter Program sessions start Jan. 8th and run through Feb. 12th

Programs run 8 weeks unless noted. Fees: \$35 members/\$45 non-members

Programs include:

Volleyball; Fri. 6-7 pm (new earlier time)

Creative Kid Concoctions; Fri. 4:30-5:15 pm

Parachute Power; Wed. 5:30-6 pm

All Sports; Thurs. 4:30-5:30 pm

Cheer Sport; Sun. 3-4 pm

Register early to guarantee your program.

HTCC Clothing for sale!

HTCC is now taking orders for Logo Clothing at HTCC– Makes a great gift for the holidays! Items will be on hand at the Community Center. If we don't have it, there is a chance we could order it.

Clothing available:

Short sleeve T-shirts: \$8 Long sleeve T-shirts: \$10 Co-Ed Basketball Clinic w/ Traci Cyrone day only! November 24th 9 am to 12 noon. Great activity for your child's day off from school! Traci will also co-direct the new Field Hockey camp this summer!

New dance classes have started at HTCC!

Mondays at 5:15– A wonderful beginner dance combo class for your little one. Great for 3-5 year olds.

Heavy Hooded Sweatshirts: \$20!!!

All items are Athletic Grey with

Holiday Gift Certificates can be

purchased at HTCC for member-

ships, programs, concession items

and more! These make great gifts

for all ages. A nice gift card is included

white print. Graphic reads:

with your purchase.



New Program development for summer: Cindy Werley Field Hockey Camp @ HTCC

June 18-21, 2007 Mon-Thurs. 5-8 pm Ages 8 and up Cindy Werley is a graduate of Emmaus High School and Univ. of North Carolina. She was a member of the USA national Team for 6 years and participated in the 1996 Olympics! We look forward to

hosting this exceptional camp!

Hanover Township



Great HOLIDAY gifts! Gift Certificates also available!

Healthy Lifestyle is supported through programs at HTCC!

"the Heart of the Community"

HTCC supports your lifestyle through social and physical programming. Educate yourself through the programs offered in collaboration with Lehigh Valley Hospital Health Network, join your neighbors for social events, or stop by and workout to improve your overall health! Below is a sampling of classes available at HTCC. *Special Walk & Talk program in January featuring LVHHN*!

Young At Heart Aerobics: A "low impact" workout designed for all ages! This class will vary throughout the week, utilizing several different fitness techniques- step, floor, stretching, balls, weights, and more!

Long and Lean Stretch: A half hour of passive stretching aimed at increasing flexibility as well as range of motion using resistance bands, stability balls, and body weight. A mat is required for this class.

Low Impact Aerobics: This class includes a 30 minute cardio section followed by core training, weight training, and stretching. Individuals can modify all exercises to their own fitness level.

Step Interval: A challenging class designed for all levels, combines an interval workout with a step bench routine.

Kids Dance Class: This class is for children ages 7-12. Learn the latest in hip hop dance moves as well as other forms of dance.

Hip Hop Dance: This class is a great way to have fun and get fit! Learn the latest hip hop dance moves from a certified dance instructor.

Spinning: Group cycling class; great for cardiovascular and lower body workout.

Kickboxing: This class incorporates 35 minutes of cardio including kickboxing moves and an intense leg and abdominal workout.

Full Body Toning: If you're looking to tighten and smooth those muscles this is the class for you. The entire body will be worked using weighted bars, medicine ball, hand weights and stability balls. It's a great challenge!

Yoga: Power yoga designed to bring mind, body, and spirit in perfect alignment and function. Your body will be challenged by a certified instructor and at the end of the class lead your body to a relaxed state.

Step Combo: This class combines step aerobics and floor aerobics into one challenging workout.

Pilates: the perfect class for strengthening the core of the body, helping to promote balance and fitness. This class is taught by a certified Pilate's instructor.

Step and Tone: This class combines a traditional step class with full body toning to make this a complete workout. **Super Saturday Aerobics:** A class for those people who just can't get enough. This 1 ½ hour class is designed to incorporate all areas of an aerobic class with extreme intensity. The aerobic portion will be followed by an extensive floor workout.

- Yoga requires an additional fee. See front desk for more information.
- All aerobic classes are included in a fitness membership. Basic members pay \$3.00 per class.
- Members are required to register for spinning class 24 hours ahead. If no one is registered the day prior to class, the class will be cancelled.

Personal Training available - \$20.00/ hour or \$15.00/ half-hour. See front desk to schedule your personal training appointment.

Special packages available: 3 one hour personal training appointments for \$55.00



Group training: one hour- up to 3 people- \$15.00 per person. 6 half hour personal training appointments for \$65.00 Program update \$25.00

New Program starting November and running YEAR ROUND!! The *Healthy Living* class being offered at HTCC is designed to support residents who want to maintain a healthy lifestyle. The program promotes wellness through healthy nutritional concepts and sound exercise philosophies. The hour long program will be held weekly and will consist of a half hour nutrition component and a half hour exercise component. The half hour nutrition component will allow for review of the weekly nutrition log, body fat analysis, and discussions on healthy eating habits. Each week a new aspect of exercise will be discussed and demonstrated in a group personal training setting. Each participant will be provided with a wellness journal to lob weekly food intake, exercise and flexibility training. Several aspects of healthy eating will be discussed including portion maintenance, health food choices, and positive eating strategies. Goal setting and other strategies will also be discussed. Register at the front desk!

The program will meet every Monday @ 11:30 am– anyone can join at any time. Registration fee: \$10 members/ \$20 nonmembers A fee of \$3 per class attended for members and \$12 for non-members. No fee required for classes not attended.

MKBC Hosting Second Annual 5K Run/Walk through the Park

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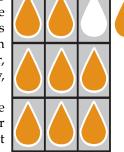
Miller-Keystone Blood Center's second annual 5K Run/Walk will take place on Sunday, Nov 5, from 10 am-12 pm. Runners will begin at 10 am, and

walkers at 10:15 am, with registration beginning at 8:30 am. All activities will take place at the Blood Center's headquarters in the Lehigh Valley Corporate Center, 1465 Valley Center Parkway, Bethlehem.

Immediate following the 5K race will be the "Quacker Dash" rubber ducky race at the Valley Center Parkway

Pond. Participants may purchase/sponsor a duck or ducks, and prizes will be awarded to the winners in various categories.

For more information, contact the Development Office at 610-691-5850, or develop@hcsc.org.



Blood Center Kicking Off 2006-07 Annual Appeal

Strong communities are built on safe blood. As a not-for-profit organization, Miller-Keystone Blood Center relies on the generosity of community businesses and individuals to help us achieve our goals and remain true to our mission statement. We are privileged to have volunteer blood donors who roll up their sleeves to provide the community with the gift of life, and

we remain grateful to all the volunteers who donate their time or talent to ensure a safe and productive blood center. However, the Blood Center needs financial support to achieve our goals as well.

The Blood Center has designated the funds from this year's Annual Appeal toward the purchase of Automated Cell Processors (ACP's) – state-of-the-art equipment that will prolong the storage of frozen blood products an additional 10 days in the event of a disaster or an epidemic. In the event of a crisis, terrorist attack or flu pandemic, our blood inventory could be significantly disrupted. However, frozen blood resulting from the purchase of ACP's, represents a valuable crisis management tool for supplementing the blood supply.

Our goal is to raise \$135,000 to purchase this equipment, and this type of support is a 100% tax-deductible gift or pledge. We hope you will consider making a contribution to Miller-Keystone Blood Center. Through your support and generosity, we can remain a pillar of the community. If you would like additional information, please contact Laurie Geist at 610-691-5850, ext. 286 or lgeist@hcsc.org.





www.bapl.org 610-867-3761

The Main Library, 11 W. Church St., is open Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The South Side Branch, 4th & Webster Streets, is open Monday and Thursday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Book drops are available at both locations.

The library is closed December 25 & 26, January 1 & 15, and February 19.

Phone the Youth Services Department (610 867-3761 x499) or the South Side Branch (610 867-7852) or check for information on the

library's web site for the following programs:

- **Book Discussions:** Three separate groups of students (4th & 5th grade, middle school and high school) meet once a month at the Main Library to share opinions of contemporary fiction and nonfiction. Pick up the books in the Youth Services Department.
- ◆ **Teen Advisory Board:** Join teens from area middle and high schools (public, private & charter schools) to plan activities of interest to your peers. The group meets twice a month (usually Tuesdays from 4 5:15 p.m.).
- Preschool Storytimes: Enroll your preschooler in one of eight classes offered a weekly at the Main Library. The South Side Branch offers two classes a week.
- **Teddy Bear Story Times:** This evening program is offered once a month at the Main Library. The whole family is invited to come. Register at the beginning of each month.
- ◆ Family Place Toddlers At Play: Toddlers, ages 1 3, play while parents share child-rearing tips and get a chance to talk to child development experts who visit each week. Siblings welcome, too. Register for a five week session. Available at both the Main Library and the South Side Branch.

Museum-quality giclee prints on archival paper of rare posters and maps of local significance are on sale at the library. The costly time-consuming process used to digitally restore the items and create the prints is the same used by many museums worldwide including the Louvre in Paris and the Metropolitan Museum of Art. We are the first library in the Lehigh Valley to have this technology. See www.bapl.org for more information.

The Winter Blahs Book Sale is scheduled for Thursday, January 18 from noon to 8 p.m. and Saturday, January 20 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. 10,000 + books, videos, Dvds, Cds, and audio books are available. Call 610 867-3761 x259 or visit www.bestbooksale.org for details. The library accepts donations in good condition at the circulation desk anytime the library is open. All proceeds benefit the library. **March Madness Book Sale** is March 15 & 17.

The Main Library is offering free computer classes for adults. Choose from *Beginner/Using the Mouse, Searching the Library Catalog, Using Microsoft Word*® (creating, editing & saving documents), and *Basic Internet Searching*. Call for class times and to register: 610 867-3761 x259.

HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE - Mondays (except for Southland & Toni)

CENTER - JACKSONVILLE RD	Schedule	A&B	3:00 - 4:00
STONEWOOD DRIVE & BELAIRE RD **A WEEK ONLY **	Schedule	А	4:05 - 4:50
MERRIVALE AT CLEARVIEW **B WEEK ONLY**	Schedule	В	4:05 - 4:50
MONOCACY DR Han Crossings Nor **A & B WEEK**	Schedule	A&B	5:00 - 5:45
LORD BYRON DR	Schedule	A&B	6:45 - 8:15
SOUTHLAND DR & GRACE AVE - Thursday	Schedule	А	4:45 - 5:45
TONI LANE AT CRAWFORD DR - Thursday	Schedule	В	4:45 - 5:45

2007 BOOKMOBILE SCHEDULE:

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MON	TUES	WED	THURS	MON	TUES	WED	THURS
CLOSED	Jan 2	Jan 3	Jan 4	Jan 8	Jan 9	Jan 10	Jan 11
CLOSED	Jan 16	Jan 17	Jan 18	Jan 22	Jan 23	Jan 24	Jan 25
Jan 29	Jan 30	Jan 31	Feb 1	Feb 5	Feb 6	Feb 7	Feb 8
Feb 12	Feb 13	Feb 14	Feb 15	CLOSED	Feb 20	Feb 21	Feb 22
Feb 26	Feb 27	Feb 28	Mar 1	Mar 5	Mar 6	Mar 7	Mar 8
Mar 12	Mar 13	Mar 14	Mar 15	Mar 19	Mar 20	Mar 21	Mar 22
Mar 26	Mar 27	Mar 28	Mar 29				

Lawmakers Discuss Proposals to Fight Crime

A column by Rep. Craig Dally, State Representative, 138th Legislative District



House members discussed, debated and voted on more than 100 bills and public safety concepts as special committee meeting devoted to crime concluded during the first week of October. For three days, members reviewed ways to reduce violent crime in the Commonwealth.

The special committee,

known as a committee of the whole, examined a variety of public safety ideas to stem criminal activity and the violence associated with it. The legislation and concepts brought up during the session encompassed prevention, enforcement and penalties/sentencing.

Through the committee's debate and votes, a bipartisan consensus was gained that will help guide House members as they draft and vote on effective anti-crime legislation. One of the concepts approved during the Committee of the Whole is a proposal to put 10,000 new police officers on the streets by 2010. This would mainly focus on municipal and regional police forces.

This effort to increase Pennsylvania's local law enforcement presence in communities across the Commonwealth will dedicate nearly \$225 million in state support to hire 10,000 new officers by the end of the decade.

The initiative is a permanent commitment on behalf of the state to partner with local communities, large and small, to establish the officer strength they need to deter crime and to get criminals off the streets.

The proposal will phase in the funding over the next four years beginning immediately. In the first year, the state will commit the first phase of \$60 million, sufficient funding to put the first 2,500 new officers on the streets in the next several months.

The state's first year commitment will be funded by reducing legislative and executive branch administration budgets to ensure no critical state initiatives are reduced and the current year budget remains balanced. The new program will be administered through the state Attorney General's office.

During the session, the House considered and approved a measure I introduced which was supported by the Pennsylvania Sheriffs' Association that would allow nearly 2,500 deputy sheriffs to fully participate in law enforcement activities and protect our communities from crime and drugs.

The bills that were debated during the committee of the whole must be considered in regular session and signed by the governor to become law.

Our efforts to combat crime began well before the special session. In fact, a priority during the recent 2006-07 budget process involved restoring nearly \$30 million of Gov. Ed Rendell's proposed cuts to programs that fight crime, illegal guns and drugs. The restored funding will help fund local law enforcement units, witness relocation and community crime watch efforts.

More than \$26 million was also restored from the governor's original proposal in which he cut funding aimed at keeping potentially violent students out of regular classrooms. The targeted grant program assists public schools to develop "alternative education programs" to remove the most disruptive students from the regular classroom while giving the troubled student a second chance to improve his or her behavior and return to the classroom ready to learn.

Due to significant problems with crimes specifically in Philadelphia, the 2006-07 Pennsylvania State Budget contained a new appropriation of \$5 million to the Pennsylvania Attorney General to fund joint state and local gun violence task forces in Philadelphia. The state provides substantial funding for targeted anti-violence programs. The 2005-06 state budget included \$11.6 million, and this year's budget increased the allocation to \$22 million.

As we move forward in our effort to fight violent crime we must be determined to enforce laws already on the books and to make sure those found guilty of breaking laws are prosecuted to the fullest extent.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Plan ahead for winter traveling:

- □ Keep your gas tank near full to avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines.
- Let someone know your timetable and primary alternate routes.

If caught in a vehicle:

- Stay in your car or truck; disorientation occurs quickly in wind-driven snow and cold.
- Run the motor about ten minutes each hour for heat. Open the window a little for fresh air to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning. Make sure the exhaust pipe is not blocked.
- Make yourself visible to rescuers. Turn on the dome light at night when running the engine. Tie a colored cloth (preferably red) to your antenna or door. Raise the hood to indicate trouble after snow stops falling.
- Exercise from time to time by vigorously moving arms, legs, fingers and toes to keep blood circulating and to keep warm.

Make a Winter Emergency Car Kit

- □ Blankets/sleeping bags
- □ Flashlight and extra batteries
- Extra Clothing to keep dry
- Windshield scraper and brush
- □ High-calorie, non-perishable food
- □ Sack of sand (or cat liter)
- Shovel
- Tool kit
- Utility knife
- Compass

Plan ahead for winter storms at home:

Inside your home or other buildings:

- Stay inside. When using alternative heat from a fireplace, wood stove, space heater, etc., use fire safeguards and properly ventilate to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning. Carbon monoxide gas is colorless and odorless!
- If you have no heat: Close off unneeded rooms.
 Stuff towels or rags in the cracks under doors.
 Cover windows at night.
- Eat and drink. Food provides the body with energy for producing its own heat. Keep the body replenished with fluids to prevent dehydration.
- Wear layers of loose-fitting, lightweight, warm clothing. Remove layers to avoid overheating, perspiration and subsequent chill.
 - □ Tow Rope
 - □ First-aid kit
 - Water container
 - □ Road maps

ADDITIONS TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

t the Board of Supervisors meeting on September 26th the Board appointed Timothy A. Brooks as Emergency Management Coordinator. The Board also appointed Kristopher S. Mattson & Francis B. Almer as Deputy Emergency Management Coordinators.

Tim has been a member of the City of Bethlehem Police Department since 1994 and is also a Major in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard. As a member of the City of Bethlehem Police Department he currently is a member of the Community Services Bike Patrol and the Terrorism Task Force. Tim's military assignments have included Bagram Airfield in Afghanistan.

Kris is currently the Service Manager for MacKenzie Doors in New York, NY. Previous to that he was a Shift Supervisor for Atlantic Heath/CenCom, the largest volume privatized 911 Center in New Jersey and continues there part time today. He also has previous emergency management experience with Hunterdon Communication in Flemington, NJ.

Frank was previously the Emergency Management Coordinator for Hanover and has agreed to stay a member of the emergency management team during the transition. Tim, Kris and Frank will team with Mike Coogan and Vince Milite maintaining preparedness for emergency situations in Hanover Township.

NO TREE TOPPING ALLOWED! THINK BEFORE YOU TOP – GET THE FACTS

from the Shade Tree Advisory Committee

TOPPING is the drastic cutting of a tree's branches

TOPPING is dangerous and unhealthy for your trees and is not a solution for reducing tree size

AVOID landscapers or tree services that suggest tree topping (a bargain can turn out to be very expensive in the long run). Hire only a certified tree professional.

This message is being broadcast across Pennsylvania by the N.E. Pennsylvania Community Tree Association, Penn State University, and the USDA Forest Service, to name a few groups. Utility companies, including Pennsylvania Power and Light, have agreed to include this anti-topping message in their billing statements.

Street trees in the Township right-of-way are NOT allowed to be topped. To get more information on the dangers of topping, contact the Penn State Cooperative Extension Office, DCNR Bureau of Forestry, or visit www.patrees.org.

REMINDERS:

You may not remove a live tree in the Township right-ofway without a permit and permission from the Township Shade Tree Advisory Commission.

You must get a permit and replace any tree that has died in the Township right-of-way or in a

planting easement on your property.

A healthy tree protects you and your family and provides shade and reduced energy costs. A properly

maintained tree increases property values.

Fire Company News by Mike Coogan

The officers and members of the Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Company #1 would like to graciously thank the residents and business community for their continued financial support during 2006. As the township continues to grow by leaps and bounds, the fire company struggles to grow its membership. If any resident would be interested in becoming a member, please call 610-867-2103 or stop by the fire station on a Monday night. To give you an idea of how many emergencies the fire company responds to, here is a break down of our call volume through the end of September 2006: Firefighters responded to 227 emergencies, which includes: fire calls, automatic alarms, auto accidents, auto fires, wires down and assist the ambulance corp.; Fire Police responded to 179 emergencies which includes: supporting fire emergencies, traffic controls and assisting the Colonial Regional Police Department with incidents; the Ambulance Corp. responded to 575 emergencies which includes: supporting fire emergencies, auto accidents, medical emergencies, welfare checks and cardiac arrests.

On Saturday, December 9, 2006 Santa Claus will be visiting the residents of Hanover Township Northampton County. Yes, the fire company has been contacted to provide Santa's mode of Transportation for his visit. We ask township residents not to call the fire station inquiring as to when Santa will be arriving on their street. Santa will be leaving the fire station at 9 a.m. and be visiting every street in the township. We realize that the residents of Hanover Township are busy preparing for the upcoming holiday season and would like to share their holidays, as in the past, with the members of the fire company. In case the children wonder why they see Santa on one fire truck in their neighborhood and then while running errands with mom and dad see Santa on a different fire truck and possibly see him again on a third truck in the afternoon. Remember that Santa is a big kid at heart and he likes to ride on all the fire trucks and see if they make lots of noise. The members of the fire company that are accompanying Santa will graciously accept any donations that the township residents would like to make when they see Santa. The fire company asks township residents to remember to be extremely safe during the holiday season because accidents don't take holidays.

The officers and members of the Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Company #1 of Northampton County would like to wish all the residents of Hanover Township a safe, wonderful, and joyous holiday season.

CALL EMS IN EMERGENCIES ONLY

- When you think someone is badly hurt or suddenly sick and in danger, call EMS immediately. EMS stands for emergency medical services. One call connects you with a whole emergency medical teamergency dispatch operators, emergency medical technician, paramedics, physicians and nurses-who are specially trained to handle these situations.
- Call EMS when you think someone's life is threatened: when someone faints or collapses, has persistent chest pain or difficulty breathing or is badly injured. If you are not sure if it is an emergency, do call EMS.

DON'T CALL EMS FOR NON-EMERGENCIES

- Going to a doctor's appointment, getting a scraped knee bandaged or filling a prescription does not require professional EMS assistance. But calling EMS in non-emergencies does tie up the system and make it harder for EMS personnel to do their job-responding to serious emergencies.
- Again, if you're not sure if it's an emergency, call EMS.

KNOW YOUR LOCAL EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

- You may know your local Emergency Medical Services as the ambulance service, the rescue squad, the fire department, the paramedics or 9-1-1. What's important is to know how to contact them for help.
- Simply dial 9-1-1 in an emergency and it connects you to EMS, the police and the fire department.

WHEN TO CALL AN AMBULANCE

When should you call an ambulance instead of driving to the emergency department? Ask yourself the following questions:

- Is the victim's condition life-threatening?
- Could the victim's conditions worsen and become life-threatening on the way to the hospital?
- Could moving the victim cause further injury?
- Does the victim need the skills or equipment of paramedics or emergency medical technicians?
- Would distance or traffic conditions cause a delay in getting the victim to the hospital?

If the answer to any of these questions is "yes" or if you are unsure, it's best to call an ambulance. This is true even though you can sometimes get to the hospital faster by driving than by calling an ambulance. Paramedics and emergency medical technicians communicate with the physician in the emergency department by radio. They are trained to begin medical treatment on the way to the hospital. This prevents and delay that could occur if the patient is driven to the emergency department. The ambulance can also alert the emergency department of the patient's condition in advance.

Calling for help is easy. Just dial 9-1-1. When you call for help, speak calmly and clearly. Give your name, the address, phone number, location of victim (such as upstairs in the bedroom), and the nature of the problem. Don't hang up until the emergency operator tells you to. They may need additional information or need to give you instructions.

Information on when to call an ambulance provided by the American College of Emergency Physicians

KNOW WHAT TO SAY

The information you give the emergency dispatch operator helps EMS help you.

Stay calm, speak clearly, and stay on the phone until the emergency operator tells you to hang up.

Tell the emergency dispatch operator where to find the person needing emergency care, who is hurt or sick, and what happened. The emergency operator will also need to know what condition the victim is in and if any help is being given.

Give the exact location of the emergency. Point out any landmarks-nearby intersections, bridges, buildings-that will help the ambulance driver find you. And leave your name, address, and telephone number in case the emergency operator needs to get back in touch with you.

KNOW WHAT TO DO UNTIL HELP ARRIVES

You've called for help. The ambulance is on the way. What do you do while you wait? If the emergency operator gives you specific instructions, remember them and carry them out. Don't move someone who is injured unless they are in danger. Do try to keep them as warm and comfortable as possible. If someone else is with you, send them to meet the ambulance. Make it easy for the ambulance driver to spot you by turning on a porch light or marking you location with a flare or bright cloth.

From the desk of the Public Works Director:

PROPERTY OWNERS

Please note that the Township when time permits trim's trees overhanging the roadway, to provide proper clearance for vehicles. If you do not want your trees trimmed by the Township please have your trees trimmed regularly.

Property owners who live on corner properties should also be aware that you can't plant anything in the "Clear Site Triangle".

Shrubs and pine trees overhanging the road have also become a problem. Please keep all trees and shrubs behind the rear face of the curb.

Proper clearance for pedestrians walking on sidewalks



has become a problem in some areas. Please remember this can be a liability to you.

Dumping grass clippings or ANY debris on empty lots is against the Township Ordinance 71-5. Violators will be fined up to \$300.00.

LEAF COLLECTION

Leaf Collection began in Mid-October and will continue to the end of November or the first week of December depending on weather conditions.

Please place your leaves along the front of your property, in a windrow.

Please try to keep any rocks or bricks out of the piles. Keep cars clear of all piles.

Please be aware that leaves are picked up as soon as possible. Due to the amount of leaves and weather conditions we sometimes get behind, please be patient and do not call the office. Thank-you for your cooperation!

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TRASH AND RECYCLING COLLECTION

All municipal waste accumulated by the owners or occupants of each residential property or establishment shall be placed in containers for collection. Containers shall be located so as to be assessable to the collector at ground level and at a point of the curb line of the street or within 10 feet of the public street or alley curb line from which collection is to be made. Containers shall be placed out for collection not earlier than 6:00 p.m. the day prior to scheduled collection.

SNOW & SIDEWALKS

Please remember if you have sidewalks adjoining your property all snow must be removed within 36 hours after a storm.

Do not shovel snow into the streets!

PARKING DURING SNOW REMOVAL

The parking of Motor vehicles on public streets and public roads shall be prohibited during periods of falling snow or snow accumulation. (Ordinance 69)

Any vehicle parked in violation of the provisions of this article may be towed away and stored. All expenses relating to the towing and storage of the said vehicle shall be assessed against the owner thereof. (Ordinance 29)

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