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THE TOWN\$HIP BUDGET

by John N. Diacogiannis, Vice Chairman, Board of Supervisors

2004 Consolidated Budget General Fund, Capital Reserve Fund, Recreation Fund, State Highway Aid Fund					
	Consolidated Budget	General Fund	Recreation Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	State Fund
Beginning Balance -- January 1, 2004	\$ 8,716,722	\$ 5,885,416	\$ 43,314	\$ 2,294,479	\$ 493,513
REVENUES AND FINANCING SOURCES					
Taxes	\$ 3,585,800	\$ 3,585,800			
Licenses and Fines	92,000	92,000			
Interest	63,000	35,000	200	27,000	800
Intergovernmental Revenue (recycling grants, sanitary sewer fees, insurance premium taxes, state aid)	464,446	263,657			200,789
Charges for Services (building permit fees, inspection fees, public utilities tax)	96,164	96,164			
State Pension Contribution	110,594	110,594			
Recreation / Community Center	467,550		467,550		
Miscellaneous Revenues	54,850	54,850			
Capital Reserve / General Fund Transfers	1,200,834			1,200,834	
General Fund / Recreation Fund Transfer	99,890		99,890		
TOTAL REVENUES AND FINANCING SOURCES	\$ 6,235,128	\$ 4,238,065	\$ 567,640	\$ 1,227,834	\$ 201,589
EXPENDITURES AND FINANCING USES					
General Government (legislative, executive, financial, tax collection, clerical, legal, engineering, buildings and plant)	\$ 863,929	\$ 550,929		\$ 313,000	
Public Safety (Regional Police, crossing guards, Fire Company, fire hydrant rentals)	1,373,067	1,316,067		57,000	
Building Inspection, Planning and Zoning	98,425	98,425			
Refuse Collection and Recycling	509,225	509,225			
Sanitary Sewer	133,000	133,000			
Public Works (road maintenance, snow removal, traffic signals/signs maintenance, street lighting, equipment)	850,210	576,490		80,000	193,720
Debt Service	790,834			790,834	
Culture -- Recreation (recreation, community center, library contribution)	1,157,456	240,708	529,748	387,000	
Employee Retirement, Unemployment Compensation, Insurance	718,551	686,351	32,200		
Capital Reserve / General Fund Transfers	1,200,834	1,200,834			
General Fund / Recreation Fund Transfer	99,890	99,890			
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND FINANCING USES	\$ 7,795,421	\$ 5,411,919	\$ 561,948	\$ 1,627,834	\$ 193,720
Unappropriated Fund Balance December 31, 2004	\$ 7,156,429	\$ 4,711,562	\$ 49,006	\$ 1,894,479	\$ 501,382

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THE BUDGET continued

One of the primary concerns most people have when The Board of Supervisors adopts the township budget every year is whether or not property taxes will increase. It is almost always the focus of newspaper reporters. If you haven't already heard, rest assured that Hanover Township property owners will see their tax rates remain the same once again this year.

*John N. Diacogiannis*

Regardless of how much attention is placed on the tax rate, real estate taxes comprise of only 35% of overall township revenues. An additional 32 % of revenues come from earned income and mercantile (business) taxes. Much of the remaining revenues come from user fees, Hanover Township Community Center fees and state sources.

On the expenditure side of the budget, at 23%, public safety is the largest component of township spending. Almost \$1 million is earmarked for the Colonial Regional Police. Recreation and Culture expenditures are the next largest budget component at 20%. This primarily includes the Community Center, the pool operations, park and recreation programs and our membership on the Bethlehem Area Public Library. All of these support the quality of life that Hanover citizens have been accustomed to. Key recreation projects in 2004 will be a new zero entry (baby) pool, refurbishing the main pool, adding to the shade structures, basketball court and soccer goals at Crawford Park, improvements at Delta Manor Park and additional pathways.

The remaining expenditures are for general government operations, including personnel, public works, building and zoning, debt service, recycling and refuse collection. Important projects this year are an addition to the municipal building and renovations to the existing facility, repairs to the garage roof, additional storm sewer improvements, traffic light upgrades, pedestrian crossing improvements, enhancements to the township computer system and a new pickup truck and a "Bob Cat" for the Public Works Department.

Hanover Elementary School News

This Fall, we held our first awards ceremony for the National PTA sponsored Reflections Program, a cultural arts program which encourages students to express their thoughts and feelings through the creative arts. We had a wonderful first-year turnout of 50 entries and 37 students participating. They are a very creative and talented group!

The students also participated in a hat, glove, mitten and coat collection to help provide warm winter clothing to fellow BASD students in need. They did a wonderful job of collecting 133 items!

The Student Council organized our Giving Tree program again this year which yielded 233 holiday gifts to needy adults and children in Northampton County Family Services.

We held our two annual musical concerts in December—instrumental and vocal. The second-year instrumental music students performed, and we heard from our 3rd, 4th and 5th graders in the vocal concert. We had a wonderful turnout for both concerts and truly enjoyed the festive holiday music.

Hanover Township and HTCC graciously organized and hosted a Blue Ribbon Ceremony to recognize our being named as a Blue Ribbon School. It was an enjoyable time that we truly appreciate. We also extend our appreciation and thanks to the Bethlehem Flyers Skate Zone, St. Luke's Hospital and Hanover Township who sponsored a National Blue Ribbon School Ice Skating Party in early January for the entire school.

We still have a few more sets of note cards and cookbooks (with 636 well-loved, tried and true recipes!) for sale which feature the artwork of local artist and First Grade Teacher Phyllis Facchiano. If you would like more information, please call our school.



IN MEMORIAM

In December John (Jack) Mosser, formerly of Birchwood Drive, Hanover Township passed away. Jack was employed by Hanover Township from 1976 to 1990 as an equipment operator. Jack also served as an Animal Control Officer from 1981 until 1990.

He was married to Emily (Schran) Mosser for 54 years last August. They have two sons, David and Gary, seven grandchildren and three great-grand children.

Jack Moser with his wife Emily

STATE OF THE TOWNSHIP

by John J. Finnigan, Jr.
Chairman, Board of Supervisors



Another year has come and gone and I am again happy to report the State of the Township continues to be Excellent. Taxes remained stable for the ninth year in a row, an outstanding accomplishment when you consider the substantial increase in the tax rates in both Northampton County and the Bethlehem Area School District. While maintaining the tax rate, Hanover Township has continued to deliver exceptional services to both our residents and business community.

Development continues within our borders and outside the township that will affect the quality of life we have become accustomed to. The Lehigh Valley Corporate Center on the western edge continues to expand both with office space and providing additional services to the park itself and Township residents. Along Airport Road the GMA project is progressing and a part of that approval process significant roadway improvements were required and will be made along Airport Road.

As you drive around the Township you'll notice many of the projects started in late 2002 and 2003 have been completed. Along Schoenersville Road, WaWa's, Bennigans and Extended Stay America are all operational. Hanover Glen, the apartment complex at the intersection of Stoke Park and Jacksonville Roads is nearing completion and the expansion of the Brith Sholom Synagogue has been completed.

The Jaindl project along our northern border has begun to take shape with the residential property progressing and some of the commercial part of the project is expected to take shape in 2004. The Township and Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) are currently reviewing the traffic data submitted by the Jaindl Land Company to ascertain what improvements are required before the remainder of the project can commence. Anticipated improvements include the widening of Route 512 and an improved Hanoverville Road – Route 512 intersection.

Development currently under construction and contemplated in Lower Nazareth Township will also have an impact on the Route 512 corridor.

Recently the old Aspen Inn Restaurant was razed to make way for Panera Bread.

Finally, a developer has expressed interest in building a Life Style Center / Power Center (mall) on the property

behind Key Pontiac. Prior to that project progressing traffic, water and buffering issues would need to be satisfied. It would also require a rezoning of the property prior to any plans being approved.

During our reorganization meeting on January 5th, I asked Supervisor John Diacogiannis to form and chair a committee on the long-term public safety needs of the Township. The Township has been fortunate over the years to be serviced by one of the best Volunteer Fire Companies in the Lehigh Valley. As the Township has grown the demographics have also changed. No longer do residents both work and live in Hanover. Our residents commute to work and tend to be employed in white-collar positions. Given those facts, membership has tended to dwindle. As you have read in the *Hanoverview* in the past the Fire Company is always soliciting new members and has been able to continue serving in a quality fashion. Today, for the most part our needs are being met. However, as we continue to grow in residential and commercial property our needs will increase. The challenge is to anticipate those needs and continue to provide for our residents and business community.

I also asked Supervisor Glenn Walbert to form and chair a committee to evaluate the long-term recreational needs of the Township. This includes the effective use of our parks, expansion of the bike path, modernization of the outdoor pool complex, and expansion of the community center both in programming and facility.

During the spring at least one of the soccer fields should become available at Crawford Park. Currently a building is being constructed at that park which will include a concession area, rest room facilities and a storage area for equipment used at that park.

Additional improvements will be made along the Jacksonville Road corridor with an additional turning lane being installed on eastbound Stoke Park Road as it intersects Jacksonville Road. Once the road improvements are made along the frontage of Stoke Park and Jacksonville Roads that intersection will be signalized improving traffic flow. Additional improvements are also planned at Jacksonville and Macada Roads when the residential property is developed on the farm land in the northwest quadrant.

During 2003 we have made significant improvements to the Township Website hanovertwp-nc.org. We have added an email link that allows residents to be contacted when an event dictates. Already, we have issued emails on delayed refuge pickups and the need to boil water in specific areas due to water main breaks. If you aren't registered, please do so today!

The Special Events Committee has many activities planned to help bring our residents together. Please check the schedule of events contained in this newsletter or view them on the website.

Honorable Emiddio "Emil" Anthony Giordano

On Wednesday, January 21, 2004 the newest member of the Northampton Court of Common Pleas, the Honorable Emil Giordano was sworn in. Courtroom # 1 in the Northampton Court Government Center was standing room only as Emil received his "Oath of Office".

Emil is a resident of Hanover Township where he resides with his wife Tina and his two sons Joseph and Caden. Joseph and Caden held the family bible as Emil received the oath from President Judge Robert Freedberg. Emil was joined by his father and mother, Joseph and Maria Giordano, of Bethlehem Township and his sister Margaret and her family, residents of Hanover.

In his welcoming comments, President Judge Freedberg stated "that he was sure they would not have any arguments relative to the law, but fully expected some lively discussions" due to the fact he was an avid New York Mets fan and Emil was one of the organizers of the Lehigh Valley New York Yankees Fan Club.

Harry J. J. Dewalt, Esq. a college classmate of Emil's commented that "he knew Emil would be successful as a judge because he witnessed his commitment as a college students at Moravian in the 70's" when Emil would work tirelessly in his family pizza shop as he tried to "corrupt him" and tell him not to go to work and hang out with the guys! He stated that "strong dedication and devotion" to family are values "that will serve Emil very well as a judge."

State Senators Charlie Dent and Lisa Boscola both commented on his knowledge of the law and his commitment to hard work.



Top: Judge Emil Giordano shares a lighter moment with (l-r) Judge Baratta, Judge Moran, President Judge Freeberg & Judge McFadden

Bottom: Emil Giordano receives the "Oath of Office" from President Judge Robert Freeberg.

Lions Club News

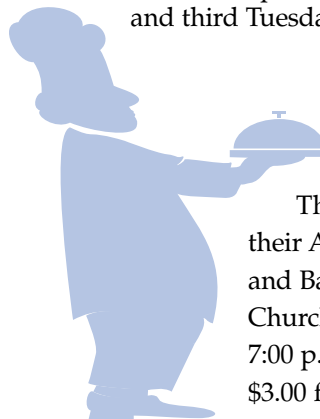
During the September Social Meeting the Lions Club presented a check to Officer Michael Kovack, of the Colonial Regional Police, in the amount of \$500.00 to be used towards the purchase of oxygen regulators for the police vehicles.

A \$600.00 check was presented to VIABL at their Annual Needs Night for the purchase of Duxbury Software for a Braille Printer.

The Club is currently selling Stars of Bethlehem for \$10.00 each. If interested, please contact Lion Bernice Kulp at 610.865.5440.

The Lions Club currently has containers (retired mailboxes) located at the Community Center and Nazareth National Bank on Route 512 to collect used eyeglasses.

Anyone interested in joining the Lions Club should contact Lion Bernice Kulp. The Lions meet the first Wednesday and third Tuesday of the month.



Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner - March 20th

The Lions Club will be hosting their Annual Spring Spaghetti Dinner and Bake Sale at the Christ UCC Church on Airport Road from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$6.50 for adults and \$3.00 for children.



Hanover Township Community Center

"The Heart of the Community"

Spring 2004



Resident Wednesdays

The first Wednesday of each month all our residents are invited to use the HTCC facilities for FREE!!! Just stop by the front desk and fill out a registration form. Take the opportunity to try out all the programs designed for you and your family!

We look forward to seeing you!!!
March 3rd, April 7 and May 5



Vitality Plus Bingo

*Free to all residents and members!
Don't miss this great opportunity!*

Date: Wednesday, March 31st

Time: 1-2:30pm

*Register by calling 610-402-CARE.

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Join your friends and neighbors for an afternoon of fun. Light refreshments will be available.



Casino Royale March 26th

Sponsored by: Community Hearts

Join your neighbors for Community camaraderie!

Bill Sheridan of 99.9 Hawk will be the evenings DJ! Tickets include a hardy fare and \$400 in play money! Live and silent auctions will be on the evenings agenda.

Price: \$40 per person \$75 couple

Location: Holiday Inn Gateway Conference Center

Time: 7:00 pm Friday, March 26th

Tickets can be pre-purchased at HTCC

For more info. contact: Linda Merkel at 610-694-8766

Community Hearts is a volunteer group dedicated to supporting the efforts of our Community Center. Proceeds benefit HTCC.



DaddyDaughter Dance April 25th

Sponsored by: Community Hearts

A special evening for girls and their dads. The event includes appetizers, dinner, dessert, a professional photograph of the "couple", a flower for the young lady and a boutonniere for the gentleman. There will be dancing, contests, and door prizes. All girls kindergarten to 8th grade are welcome with their special dates! One dad is welcome to bring all of his special girls!

Price: \$65/couple; \$32.50 for each additional child.

Location: Candlelight Conference Center

Time: 5:00 - 8:00 pm Sunday, April 25th

Please register at HTCC!!!

Questions call: Beth at 610-954-0399



Teen Leadership Program

Teen Leadership is a program in which students begin to learn valuable life lessons. In this program, the students develop leadership, professional, and business skills. They will gain a healthy self-concept, build solid relationships and practice the concept of personal responsibility. Public speaking, communication and an understanding of personal image are also developed. The students will receive **15 hours of community service** for participation in classes and completing the service project.

Instructor: Amy Gallagher

Thursdays, 7-8:30 pm 9th-12th grade

April 8 - June 10 Fee: \$69 per student



Hanover Township Learning Center

Now accepting 2004/05 Preschool Registration

Hanover Township Preschool continues to accept registrations for the school year 2004-2005.

We will honor your registration on a first come, first served basis, in person only, and with a \$50.00 non-refundable registration fee to hold your spot. Registration fee includes a youth basic membership for your child. For both the 3 and 4 year old program, your child must be 3 or 4 prior to October 1, 2004. The "Funshine Club" is a young 3 year old program working with children who turn 3 between October 1st and January 1st, 2004. All children must be fully *potty-trained in order to participate in the programs. *This requires each child to be fully independent in the bathroom by October 1st of 2004, pull-ups are not acceptable. *Current families are those families who have children registered in our school's programming are actively participating for the term of a minimum of one full session. Hanover Township Learning Center is committed to offering innovative and educational programs for your child, watch for new programs in the future! For more details or a tour contact Preschool Director, Susan Lavelle at 610-317-8701

3's Classes- two AM programs
Mon/Thurs & Tues/Fri 9-11:30

4's Classes- AM & PM programs

Mon/Wed/Fri 9-11:30 & 12:30-3

+ 4th day available PM

Funshine Club "young 3's"

Tue/Thurs 10-11:30

Preschool Programs



Fun and Fit Tots

12 - 24 months

Introduction for the youngest tots experiencing group activity. Meet other moms and enjoy a special morning with your child. Instructor: Sandy Hudock

Mondays, 10:30-11am

Saturdays, 11-11:30am

Session I- March 22/27- Apr.26/May1

Session II- May 3/8- June 14/19

Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Music for Tots

18 months - 3 years

This class develops your child's love of music and motion. Designed for the younger tot!

Instructor: Laura Goldstein

Fridays, 10:30-11:00am

Session I- March 26- April 30

Session II- May 7- June 11

Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Fun and Fit with Mom

18 months - 3 years

Creative movement and interactive fun for mom and tot! Parachute, finger plays, obstacle course and interactive games to encourage fun exercise.

Instructor: Linda Frederick

Fridays, 9:30-10am

Session I- March 26- April 30

Session II- May 7- June 11

Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Tumbling Tots

3-5 years old

Creative movement is the goal of this class! Tumble, roll and play; obstacle course and interactive games to encourage fun exercise.

Instructor: Linda Frederick

Tuesdays, 4:30-5pm

Session I- March 23- April 27

Session II- May 4- June 8th

Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Tea Party

3-5 years old

Come and enjoy a spot of tea, snacks, and company of your favorite friends. Every month has a different theme....

Instructor: Sandy Hudock

March 3, 2004 April 7, 2004

May 5, 2004

Time: 4:30-5:15 pm

Fee: \$7 per party



Think Spring... Don't let a great program go to waste- register early!!!

Sports for all ages...



Tennis for Tots

4-6 years old

This indoor program will introduce your child to beginner tennis. We will use tot size equipment to have bigger than tot size fun!

Instructor: Kylene Hyduke

Mondays, 5:30-6pm

Session I- March 22- April 26

Session II- May 3- June 14

Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



All Sports A & B

A) 4-5 years old B) 6-8 years old

A wide sampling of sports including basketball, baseball, kickball, floor hockey, and several games.

Instructor: Sandy Hudock

Tuesdays, 4:30-5:30 pm

Session I- March 23- April 27

Session II- May 4- June 8th

Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Spring T- Ball

4-7 years old

Spring is almost here and we're ready to assist aspiring ball players to learn to play baseball. Focus on learning the basics and play some informal games. Teams arranged by coaches and volunteers. Additional activities included.

Instructor: Sandy Hudock

Thursdays, 4:30-5:30 pm

Session I- March 25-April 29

Session II- May 6- June 10

Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Cheer Sport

3rd to 8th grade

Join in with "Hanover Heat" and learn the basics of cheerleading. Hand movements, jumps, cheer chants, and basic stunts.

Instructors: Hanover Heat Cheerleaders

Thursdays, 4-5:30 pm

Session I- March 25-April 29

Session II- May 6- June 10

Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Flag Football

K - 2nd grade

By residents' request's... 6 weeks of outdoor flag football. Kids will review passing, receiving and run through several drills. Rain or shine!

Instructor: Evan Diacogiannis

Wednesdays, 4-5pm

Session I- April 14- May 19

Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Flag Football

3-5th grade

Back by popular demand!!! Players will meet outside for 6 weeks of spring football. Rain or shine!

Instructor: Evan Diacogiannis

Wednesdays, 4-5pm

Session I-March 3- April 7

Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Teen Weight Training

12– 16 years old

Participants will be introduced to fitness training guidelines, appropriate use of the equipment, and etiquette. Class will review the five components of fitness with an emphasis on lifelong fitness habits. *This program is a prerequisite for any student ages 12– 14 wishing to use the fitness room without adult supervision.* Participants will receive a workout booklet. *Sponsored by Lehigh Valley Hospital. Guest speakers will contribute to this program.*

3 week program, Tuesdays and Thursdays
4– 5pm March 23, 25, 30, April 1, 6, 8
Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



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Fun and Healthy Chicks

9– 13 years old

This "tween" focused program will explore different fitness opportunities weekly, healthy snack and age related topics designed to strengthen self confidence and healthy lifestyles. Sponsored by Lehigh Valley Muhlenburg.

Wednesdays, 4– 5:30pm
10 week session, March 24th– May 26th
Fee: \$49 member/ \$59 non member

Arts and Dance



Art Fun

3– 5 years old

Come join us for 6 weeks of fantastic art fun. Every week experience a new medium as the children explore their creative side.

Instructor: Sandy Hudock
Mondays, 9:30– 10:10 am
Tuesdays, 9:30– 10:10 am
Session I– March 22/23– April 26/27
Session II– May 3/4– June 14/15
Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Art Fun II

6– 10 years old

6 weeks of art fun! No creativity needed!

Instructor: Sandy Hudock
Saturdays, 9:30– 10:30 am
Session I– March 27– May 1
Session II– May 8– June 19
Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Creative Kid Concoctions

5– 10 years old

Join us in making the wackiest things from gooey gunk, water balloon yo-yos, funny putty, invisible ink, tornado in a bottle, foamy paint, to crazy critters. This class is a must for the creative hands!

Instructor: Sandy Hudock
Mondays, 4:30– 5:15pm
Session I– March 22– April 26th
One session only– so don't miss out!!!
Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Kiddydance– Cubs

3– 10 years old

Students will be introduced to ballet and jazz, learning the beginning positions while being allowed to explore the world of dance! Students should wear ballet/tap shoes!

Instructors: Linda Frederick
Tuesdays, 5:30– 6:25 pm
10 week session, March 23– May 25
Fee: \$49 member/ \$59 non member



Kiddydance– Teddybears

3– 10 years old

Students will be introduced to ballet and jazz, learning the beginning positions while being allowed to explore the world of dance! Teddy bears should already know the 5 basic positions and be ready to put them together!

Instructors: Linda Frederick
Tuesdays, 6:30– 7:25 pm
10 week session, March 23– May 25
Fee: \$49 member/ \$59 non member



Hanover Twirlers

5– 14+ years old

This ongoing class is a progressive program designed to take any level from beginner to advanced twirling. As this program grows, competitions will be discussed!

Instructor: Eric Davis
Thursdays, 6– 6:30 pm Beginners
6:30– 7:15 pm Intermediate
10 week session, March 25– May 27
Fee: \$49 member/ \$59 non member



Piano/ Woodwind Instrumental Lessons

Instructors: Cristin Eick and Amanda Dungen are currently music teachers in the area schools. Instructors will give a 30 minute lesson geared toward the beginner to intermediate level learner. \$17 per music lesson, by appointment only, call 610– 317– 8701



Brass Instrument Lessons

Instructor: Tim Eick has a Masters in Music Education with specialization in Brass Instruments. Mr. Eick has worked with all ages and all abilities. He currently is the band director for Mt. Pocono School District. All instrumental lessons include an emphasis on music enrichment and are 30 minutes long. \$17 per music lesson, by appointment call 610– 317– 8701.



Vocal and Guitar Lessons

Instructor: Roy Justice has his B. A. in Music Theory and Composition from Mansfield University. All lessons are 45 minutes long and focus on the basics of vocal production including breathing, techniques, vowel sound production, and interpretation. \$25 a lesson, by appointment only, call 610– 317– 8701.

Fitness Programs...



Karate– Lower Northeast Karate Club

5 years old– Adult

Techniques from Shotokan, Aikido, and Judo are taught in a progressive atmosphere. Upon passing each advancement test, the participant is certified for the achievement level through the Shotokan Karate Association. Everyone is taught self– defense against "street attacks." Students will naturally become aware of their surrounding and react with common sense techniques as part of their everyday environment. Participation in the annual Shotokan Karate tournament is encouraged. Benefits include self– confidence, self-esteem, self-discipline, weight reduction, stress relief, self-respect, muscular endurance and respect for others.

Instructor– Tim Heinsinger Asst. Instructor– Sam Heinsinger

Mondays and Wednesdays

Youth: 6-7:30pm Teen/Adult 7:30-9:30pm

Fees: HTCC basic member \$35, fitness member \$25, non member \$50



Woman's Run

Date: Saturday June 19th

Registration at 8am—Race will begin at 9am.

Fee: \$10 for first strides participants and early registration before June 1st.

\$15 registration fee after June 1st



First Strides

Mondays, 6-7pm

10 week session, April 5– June 14

Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Woman to Woman

"Woman connecting to make stronger individuals and families within our community!" Socialize and explore topics you help develop and choose.

March 16, 2004

April 20, 2004

May 18, 2004

Fee: \$5 an evening,

Light refreshments provided.



Sponsored by
Lehigh Valley Hospital



Friday Night Fun!

TGIF–Children ages 6-10 come together to celebrate Friday night fun at the Community Center. First Friday of every month!

March 5, 2004 April 2, 2004

May 7, 2004 7-9 pm

Instructor: Linda Frederick

Fee: \$4 member/ \$8 non member

Co-Ed Volleyball - Players 12 yr. to 18 yr. old will work on drills and play open games with a coach overseeing. Second & Fourth Friday of the month! 7:30-9:45 pm

Instructor: Emil Lukas

Fee: \$6/ night



Astanga Yoga

Power yoga designed to bring mind, body, and spirit in the perfect alignment and function. Challenge your body and then finish in a relaxed place by the end of class– come experience it yourself. Beginner Class Available– limited participation for more individual attention, this class is designed to introduce the student to the basic techniques of yoga and prepare them for the on-going class. Ask about our early registration discount today!

Instructors: Ruth Huron, Mary Mowrer, Peggy Soares or Jacque Porterfield

Mondays, 6-7pm Introduction Class

Mondays, 7-8:30pm Regular Ongoing Class

Wednesdays, 9:30-11am Regular Class

Saturdays, 8-9:30am Regular Class

Fee: \$29 member/ \$39 non member



Personal Training

Need to revamp your exercise program? Call and schedule an appointment today with one of our certified personal trainers! \$15 per hour.

New for '04- See Kris on Monday nights at 6pm in the Fitness Room for all your questions on fitness equipment!!!



Young at Heart Aerobics

This low impact aerobic class is combined with a variety of aerobic activity and light resistance training.

Free with your fitness membership or \$3 with basic membership!!!

Mondays thru Fridays 8:30-9:30 am

2 classes on Thursdays, 1– Instructor's Choice

2– Floor Aerobics: 8:45 am



Additional Opportunities

Adult Basketball - Year round open pick-up basketball for those avid players! 8-9:45 PM Monday and Wednesday evenings.

Birthday Parties and Meeting Room Rentals available at HTCC! Please call 610-317-8701 to make you special arrangements!

Volunteers– Opportunities to volunteer on a regular or as needed basis within the Community Center. Call HTCC to find out more about the recognition program and benefits of volunteerism!



Looking ahead to summer...

Pool passes will be sold at HTCC as of April 1st.

Check out the website for summer programs and information regarding pool and parks.

www.hanovertpw-nc.org

Board of Supervisors

At their Annual Re-organization meeting, the Supervisors elected and made the following appointments:

- Re-elected Jay Finnigan as Chairman.
- Re-elected John Diacogiannis as Vice Chairman.
- Re-appointed Jim Sterner as Township Manager
- Re-appointed Linda Sterner as Township Secretary
- Re-appointed James Broughal as the Township Solicitor.
- Re-appointed James Birdsall as the Township Engineer.
- Re-appointed Robert VanWhy as the Township Fire Marshall.
- Appointed Dale Broadway as the Assistant Township Fire Marshall
- Re-appointed Francis Almer as Director of Emergency Management.
- Re-appointed Al Fiore as Ordinance Enforcement Officer.
- Re-appointed Kevin Healy as Ordinance Enforcement Officer.
- Re-appointed Vincent Milite as Animal Control Officer.
- Re-appointed Cathy Heimsoth as Recreation Director.
- Re-appointed Kylene Hyduke as Assistant Recreation Director
- Re-appointed Natalie Miller as Community Relations Director
- Accepted with regret the resignation of Dean Koski from the Recreation Advisory Board
- Appointed the following as member(s) of the Recreation Advisory Board: Stephen P. Crump
- Re-appointed the following member(s) of the Zoning Hearing Board: Vincent Horvath & Paul Balla
- Re-appointed the following member(s) to the Shade Tree Commission: Susan Scholl
- Re-appointed the following as member(s) of the Impact Advisory Committee: Frank Arner, Marie Lychak, Paul Kuehne, Joseph Trinkle, Kerry Wrobel and LeRoy Wilson.
- Re-appointed the following as member(s) of the BOCA Appeal Board: Paul Reimer, Dave Shafferman, Keith Young, Robert VanWhy and Tony Boyle.
- Re-appointed the following member(s) of the Special Events Committee: Michele Michael-Mill, Deborah Marshall & Rosemary Miller
- Re-appointed Robert Schoenen, Jr. as Township Representative to the Bethlehem Public Library.
- Re-appointed the Supervisors Chairman of Committees: John Diacogiannis – Administration; Glenn Walbert – Planning & Zoning; Frank Colon – Development and Steve Salvesen – Public Works

"READY TO READ"

Hanover Township and Lehigh Valley PBS are getting "Ready to Read" again! June will be Hanover Township Literacy Month and the start of the Hanover Township Summer Reading Program and we want to start it right! The kick-off party will be held at the Community Center on Friday, May 14th from 12:00 until 2:00 p.m.

Tele Bear, Thunder the Valley Dawg and Uncle Baseball will be there to meet all of the children ages 2-6 who want to get "Ready to Read". There will be pizza and juice to start the party and entertainment for everyone! Listen to stories read by Representative Dally, Senator Dent, Supervisor Finnigan, Dr. Pagano, the Allentown Ambassadors, Principal Leasure, the U.S. Army, Chief Seiple, and some other very special surprise guests. Kids can also do PBS crafts and visit the Bookmobile.

Win prizes from the Allentown Art Museum, The Great Allentown Fair, Camelback Mountain, Weis, Steak & Ale, Mario Andretti, Martin's, Giant Food Stores, Art & Drafting Connection, The Holiday Inn Gateway, Representative Dally, Linda Marlow-Re/Max 100 and many, many others. Every child who attends will receive a free book from Tele Bear and a special gift bag including prizes and information on how to start your children on the road to reading. The earlier you read to your child, the earlier they will want to read themselves. Please join us for the fun.

The party is free but reservations are required so call the Community Center at 610-317-8701.



Sen. Charlie Dent discussing issues with attendees at Capitol for a Day help at the Hanover Community Center on November 14, 2003

Senator Dent's Capital for a Day

On November 14, 2003, State Senator Charles W. Dent (R-16th) hosted a Capital for a Day program at the Hanover Township Community Center. Over 30 exhibitors from Harrisburg and the Lehigh Valley participated in the information fair to provide information on federal, state, and local government programs. Members of Senator Dent's staff were there to assist attendees. Hundreds of residents from Lehigh, Monroe and Northampton Counties attended the information fair and door prizes were awarded throughout the day. Among those in attendance at Capital for a Day were the director of the Pennsylvania Department of Homeland Security, Keith Martin, the Senate Majority Whip, Jeff Piccola (R-15th) and State Representative Craig Dally (R-138th). Residents of Hanover Township are encouraged to call Senator Dent with any problems or questions they may have. Senator Dent can be reached at either his Allentown office, (610) 821-8468 or his East Allen Township office, (610) 502-1567.

SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE NEWS

We are starting this year's Township events with great excitement. As members of the 2004 Special Events Committee, we are planning some of the Township's annual events and adding some new ones too.

This year's events will include:

- **1st Annual Earth Day — Thursday, April 22nd**
- **7th Annual Sousa Concert — Sunday, May 2nd**
- **4th Annual Ready to Read — Friday, May 14th**
- **3rd Annual Family Fun Day (with Fear Factor this year) — Saturday, May 22nd**
- **2nd Annual Fire, Police and Public Works Appreciation Day — Saturday, June 19th**
- **2nd Annual "Community Appreciation Award"**
- **1st Annual Iron Chef Cooking Competition — Sunday, June 27th**
- **1st Annual Crime Watch/National Night Out Block Party — Tuesday, August 3rd**
- **3rd Annual Patriot Day and Flag Retirement Ceremony — Saturday, September 11th**
- **3rd Annual Candidates Night — Monday, October 11th**
- **2nd Annual Make a Difference Day Grand Finale — Saturday, October 23rd**
- **6th Annual Hanover Halloween Parade and Party — Saturday October 30th**
- **3rd Annual Hanover "Holiday Tree" Ceremony — Saturday December 6th**

We hope to see you at many of the events. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, call any member of the Special Events Committee; Michelle Michael-Mill, Mary McCornac, Debbie Marshall, Rose Miller, Irv Good, Jeff DeCrosta, Margaret Giordano or the SEC Liason Natalie Miller.

In 2003 the members of the Special Events Committee planned and presented many of the wonderful events that took place in our Township.

The Special Events Committee arranged the 6th Annual Sousa Concert, 2nd Annual Family Fun Day, 1st Annual Fire, Police & Public Works Appreciation Day, 1st Annual Community Appreciation Award, 1st Annual Make A Difference Day, Hanover Blue Ribbon Celebration, 5th Annual Hanover Halloween Parade and Party, 2nd Annual Hanover "Holiday Tree" ceremony and the Hanover Pride Banners.

With all of our preparation, we could not have succeeded if it were not for the help of local businesses and volunteers. They gave us their time, product donations and money so that we could make all of these community events happen.

For that reason, we want to say thank you to the following businesses and people that showed true "Community Spirit" in 2003. We hope that if you liked one of our events you will thank them for helping us to make it happen.

Platinum Sponsors: National Penn Bank, Thomas E. Michael Agency, KRM Financial Services, Faulkner Cadillac, Holiday Inn at the Gateway, Linda Marlow/ReMax 100, Pizza Village IV, Imperial Realty, J. G. Petrucci Co. Inc., Callahan Inc., and Service Electric.

Gold Sponsor: Tanczos Beverage.

Silver Sponsors: Hanover Engineering and Dr. Pagano.

Bronze Sponsors: Southland Condominium Association, and Dr. Dorville & Dr. Kundu.

Business Sponsors: Team Imaging Inc., Dr. Alvarez, LVIP, Key Pontiac.

Event Sponsors: TV39 PBS, Mark's Appliance Service, Pepsi, Hampton Inn at the Gateway, Wendy Schaffer/Keystone Bank, Young's Notary, Jaindl Farms, Wegmans Markets, HTCC, Hanover Volunteer Fire Co., Colonial Regional Police Dept., Hanover Township Road Crew, Hanover Fire Police, Hanover Board of Supervisors, St. Luke's Hospital, Representative Craig Dally, Senator Charlie Dent, Alert Motivations, Saucon Valley Manor, Soft Rock 100.7, Bethlehem Flyers Skate Zone, Marcus Family Chiropractic, Lehigh Valley Hospitals, Giant Food Markets, The Entertainment Connection, TheCashCow.net, the Bethlehem Blast hockey organization, Talbots, Dr. Steinberg, Dr. Cherry and all of the volunteers that helped make these events great.

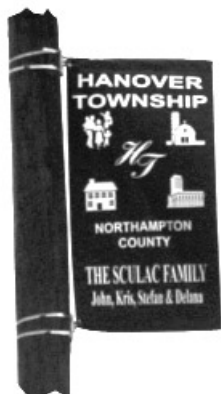
You can get information on our events at www.hanovertwp-nc.org.

Hanover Pride Banner Project

The Hanover Pride Banner project is almost complete. The banners are on display along many of the streets in the Township.

Local businesses and families have sponsored all of the banners and Service Electric has graciously donated all of the equipment and manpower to hang them with no charge.

There are only 5 navy and 18 burgundy banners left for sponsorship. We try to accommodate certain pole locations but can not guarantee that there will be a pole that we can use in your neighborhood. If your family, group, or business is interested in sponsoring a banner, please call Natalie Miller at 610-866-1140 or 610-419-0405.





www.bapl.org

610 867-3761

The **Main Library**, 11 W. Church St., is open Monday thorough Thursday 9AM to 9PM, Friday 9AM to 6PM, and Saturday 9AM to 5PM. The **South Side Branch**, 4th & Webster streets is open Monday and Thursday 11AM to 8PM, Tuesday and Wednesday 11AM to 5PM, and Saturday 11AM to 2:30PM.

Book drops are available at both locations.

The library is **closed** for Primary Day on April 27.

The library is **closed** for the observance of Memorial Day on May 31.

Free parking is once again available in the garage underneath the library after 5 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays.

Check the library's web site www.bapl.org for all program information or phone the Youth Services Department at 610 867-3761 x206. **Programs** include preschool story times, evening family story times, and Family Place workshops. The Family Place workshops unite parents and caregivers with resources available at the library and in the community.

The State Budget cut the Bethlehem Area Public Library's funds by \$286,041 for the current year. Several staff positions were eliminated, library hours were reduced (closed Saturdays during the summer), and the materials budget was reduced by \$31,000. Despite the devastating cuts, the library staff is trying hard to maintain the high quality of service that the public has come to expect. The governor and legislature have begun the budget process for the coming year. It would be helpful for library users to contact their state officials and encourage them to increase the appropriation to the commonwealth's public libraries.

The book sales raised over \$44,000 last year for the library. This has become a major fund-raising effort. The books are affordable, and the titles are attractively displayed and carefully arranged according to subject and author. Consider donating books in good condition at the Main Library's circulation desk anytime the library is open. Donations are accepted year round. **March Madness Book Sale** is scheduled for March 18 & 20. **Spring Cleaning Book Sale** will be May 6 & 8. For more information, phone 610 867-3761 x259.

Bookmobile Schedule for HANOVER TOWNSHIP- **Mondays** (except for Southland & Toni)

TOWNSHIP BLDG., JACKSONVILLE RD.	Schedule	A&B	3:00 – 4:00
MERRIVALE at CLEARVIEW	Schedule	A&B	4:00 – 4:45
STONEWOOD DR. & BELAIRE RD.	Schedule	A&B	5:00 – 5:45
LORD BYRON DR.	Schedule	A&B	6:45 – 8:15
SOUTHLAND DR. & GRACE AVE.- <i>Thursday</i>	Schedule	A	4:45 – 5:45
TONI LN. at CRAWFORD DR.- <i>Thursday</i>	Schedule	B	4:45 – 5:45

Schedule A				Schedule B			
MON	TUES	WED	THURS	MON	TUES	WED	THURS
Mar 1	Mar 2	Mar 3	Mar 4	Mar 8	Mar 9	Mar 10	Mar 11
Mar 15	Mar 16	Mar 17	Mar 18	Mar 22	Mar 23	Mar 24	Mar 25
Mar 29	Mar 30	Mar 31	Apr 1	Apr 5	Apr 6	Apr 7	Apr 8
Apr 12	Apr 13	Apr 14	Apr 15	Apr 19	Apr 20	Apr 21	Apr 22
Apr 26	CLOSED	Apr 28	Apr 29	May 3	May 4	May 5	May 6
May 10	May 11	May 12	May 13	May 17	May 18	May 19	May 20
May 24	May 25	May 26	May 27	CLOSED	*Summer schedule begins*		

An Additional 100,000 Pennsylvanians Are Eligible for Prescription Drug Benefits

By Rep. Craig Dally, (R-138th Legislative District)

Many *Hanoverview* readers will be happy to know that the General Assembly enacted legislation near the end of 2003 expanding prescription drug coverage to an additional 100,000 Pennsylvanians.

As a cosponsor of House Bill 888, I believed it was important to ensure that Pennsylvania's prescription drug assistance program remained among the best in the nation. I frequently was told by citizens that they failed to qualify for one of these programs by just a few dollars of annual income.

Pension and Social Security increases have resulted in many people losing coverage under the PACE or PACENET program. However, these increases have not kept pace with the rising cost of prescription drugs resulting in many seniors struggling to pay for needed prescriptions. As a result these income limit increases are vital.

The PACE income limits were increased by \$500, allowing more seniors to access the program's benefits. It now includes single senior citizens with incomes up to \$14,500 and married seniors with incomes up to \$17,700. PACENET income eligibility limits are between \$14,500 and \$23,500 for single seniors and between \$17,700 and \$31,500 for couples.

In addition, the current \$500 annual deductible for PACENET beneficiaries would be changed to a monthly deductible of \$40 to allow seniors to access benefits more quickly.

Many seniors found it nearly impossible to pay the \$500 before receiving any benefits. By changing the deductible from annual to monthly, not only is the total cost decreased by \$20 but it also is spread out thus making it easier to pay."

The measure makes a number of administrative changes in an effort to cut program costs. It requires pharmaceutical companies to provide the PACE and PACENET program

with similar rebates they now give to the Medical Assistance Program. It also applies federal upper limits for reimbursements to pharmacist for dispensing generic drugs.

Under the new law the state Department of Aging will examine pharmacy best practices and costs control mechanisms to reduce the costs of providing high quality prescription drug therapies for PACE and PACENET enrollees. A Pharmaceutical Assistance Clearinghouse also will be created to provide information on public and private assistance programs available to help people afford their medications.

The House is expected to conduct hearings to examine how the new federal Medicare prescription drug program will affect the state's prescription drug assistance program due to discrepancies in what is included in the federal legislation. The hearings will allow state officials to determine how to modify the state's existing program to best take advantage of the federal money coming in.

PACE and PACENET are funded by the Pennsylvania Lottery and administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Aging. Lottery revenues have surged from the addition of the Powerball drawing which, along with the aforementioned administrative changes, will help pay for the expanded benefits.

The Pennsylvania Lottery remains the only state lottery that exclusively designates its proceeds to benefit older citizens.

For more information or an application contact me at: 354 W. Moorestown Road in Nazareth, PA, 18064 (telephone 610-746-2100) or 5300 Nor-Bath Blvd. in Northampton, PA, 18067 (telephone: 610-502-1570.)



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E A R T H D A Y

This year on Thursday, April 22, Hanover Township will celebrate National Earth Day.

We will plant a Memorial tree, a community vegetable garden at HTCC and butterfly bushes in the parks. Hanover Elementary will join us by planting a Memorial Garden beside their Library.

A Master Gardener will be on hand at HTCC to give advice on gardening, composting, insects and fertilizers. We will give free seedlings and seed packets to everyone that participates during the day. If you would like to take part in the Community Garden please call the Community Center at 610-317-8701. If you would like information on how you can help in your neighborhood park or business district, please call Natalie Miller at 610-866-1140.



MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

Hanover Township's 1st Make A Difference Day was an overwhelming success thanks to all of Hanover Township!

Hanover Elementary, with the help of National Penn Bank, Moravian Academy and local businesses raised \$1966.07 for the Good Shepherd Pediatric Rehab Center! The student council went shopping for the Good Shepherd Pediatric room on Saturday, January 17th. They bought a TV/VCR and movies for the kids to watch while they waited and lots of leap pads and books for the children to work with.

With the help of Talbots, the Bethlehem Flyers Skate Zone and the Bethlehem Blast hockey teams we collected over 800 Tough Teddies. We donated bears to the Colonial Regional Police Department and had so many bears that we were able to donate some to Ambulance and EMTs that answer calls in the Hanover area. The ambulance crews give a child a bear on a ride to the hospital.

We did not receive many children's hats for the CHOP Pediatric Oncology unit at Muhlenberg so we had enough smaller bears to do something better. We packaged the bears individually for CHOP to give to kids when they need to have a spinal tap, chemo or some horrible test done. The Hanover Township Preschool and Hanover Elementary 4th and 5th grade classes made "you can do it" and get well cards that we included with the 111 get well bears.

The Hanover Child Care with the help of; Dr. Alvarez, Dr. Steinberg, Dr. Cherry and Dr. Pagano, donated 1,333 dental items to the St. Luke's Dental Van. St. Luke's said "It was like Christmas Morning when we opened the door and saw all of the donations." Caitlin Clearie, Meghan Smith, Megan Alisio, Lindsay Nelson and Liz Andrews, all fifth graders that go to the center after school, organized the collection and motivated the other kids and dentists to support the project. We wonder what they will be able to accomplish in another ten years.

The Miller Memorial Blood Bank collected 17 useable pints of blood. Many of the donors had never given blood before. Representative Craig



State representative Craig Dally donates blood on "Make a Difference Day"

Dally was the first in line and Linda Marlow helped many others muster the courage needed to donate that day.

Turning Point received over 200 cell phones that were re-furbished and will be given to families in need this year. And, through a donor grant that gave them \$20 for every phone, they also received over \$4,000 to help fund their programs!

Because of our Make A Difference Day we were able to make a difference in other ways as well. Ed Neely, a Hanover resident, found out about the Dental Van and the work that they do. Mr. Neely, a Master Technician for Benco Dental, volunteered to make repairs to the equipment on the St. Luke's Dental Van and, a Hanover donor who wishes to remain anonymous, found out about Turning Point and donated a conversion van for Turning Point to use to shuttle families to their new homes or appointments. Because of the size of the van, larger families do not have to be divided into separate vehicles during the transition.

We would like to give our special thanks to Jaiindl Farms, National Penn Bank, Saucon Valley Manor and Alert Motivations for sponsoring our Difference Day T-Shirts. And, thank you Hanover for showing everyone, again, what a wonderful place Hanover Township is to live!



Members of the Bethlehem Blast are given a tour of a Colonial Regional Police vehicle



Some of the 'Teddy Bears' collected by the Bethlehem Blast, Bethlehem Flyers Skate Zone and Talbots as part of Make A Difference Day 2003

HANOVER TOWNSHIP FAMILY FUN DAY

Saturday, May 22nd, Hanover Township will hold it's 3rd Annual "Family Fun Day" at the Municipal Complex from 12:00 to 6:00 p.m. The Special Events Committee would like to invite everyone to attend this fun filled day of music, food, games, prizes and Community Spirit.

The Dunk Tank has been moved to Fire and Police Day on June 19th so it will be warm enough for all of the "dunk-ees". We wouldn't want to mass dunking our Supervisors or Little League Coaches again!

Test your skills and have a fantastic time at the 24' Rock-Climbing wall, Giant Joust, Sticky Wall, Mechanical Bull, Super Snow Board, Bungee Run or the Adrenaline Rush Obstacle Course. Smaller kids will love the Kiddy Grand Prix, Giant Jump and Slide, face painting, tattoos, and games. You can try your luck at the Pepsi Quarter Toss, spaghetti eating contest or **FEAR FACTOR** - Hanover Style.

This year will be the **1st FEAR FACTOR Competition**. The competition is open to everyone and will be divided by age groups. Every group competition will be different. You might have to climb the rock wall, ride a mechanical bull, pick rings out of a bowl of oatmeal, pull rocks out of a tub of Jell-O, eat LIVER, transfer worms OR several people in Hanover have volunteered to eat African Hissing Cockroaches if we can fly them in, you won't know until then... Like the real Fear Factor, only the winner takes home the prize package. Good Luck!

You must pre-register so we can set up age groups and

times. If you would like to race your friends or co-workers please let us know so we can plan a special race for you.

Instead of tickets we will utilize a wristband system again. You can walk the grounds and watch the competition at no cost. If you would like to take part in the games and events you must purchase a wristband. Kids 4 and under are \$5.00 and 5 and up are \$10.00. Wristband wearers will have unlimited access to all of the games and events all day. The wristband wearer may participate in as many things as many times and win unlimited prizes as often as they would like all day. When you purchase a wristband you will also receive 3 door prize tickets to put in the basket of your choice. Additional tickets will be available for a small donation.

The prize table will have awesome prizes from Wegmans, Westgate Mall, HTCC, Woodstone Golf Club, Philadelphia Eagles, Sixer's, Flyers, Phillies, Four Points Sheraton, Bethlehem Golf Course, Hilton Garden Inn, Staybridge Suites, Allentown Art Museum and many, many others.

Spaghetti eating contests will be held throughout the day thanks to our friends at Pizza Village IV. PIZZA VILLAGE is our official food sponsor so bring your appetite for hot dogs, sausage, pizza, freedom fries, pasta, BB-Q, meatball subs, pierogies, funnel cakes, Pepsi and ice cream cookies! Great Food at a very reasonable prices. Join us for lunch and dinner.



Family Fun Day fear factor registration Saturday, May 22nd



Name _____

Age: _____

Address _____

☐ Male

☐ Female

☐ Single

☐ Group**

Phone Number _____

**If group competition, please list group or business name and contact person:



Mail completed form to: Hanover SEC,
3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem, PA 18017-9303
or FAX completed form to 610-758-9116.
We will call you with your **FEAR FACTOR** start time.



Planning and Zoning

by Supervisor
Glenn R. Walbert



The Life Style and Power Shopping Centers proposed by Stanbery Development to be built at the Southwest quadrant of Routes 22 and 512 has generated a lot of interest in the Zoning process. However, since Stanbery has not formally proposed anything to the Township as of this writing, I cannot give any specifics on this project but will attempt to explain the zoning process in general terms.

There are two components to the Townships zoning regulations, the zoning map and the zoning ordinance. The zoning

map divides the Township into various zoning districts while the zoning ordinance lists the rules and regulations for each of these districts. There are currently 14 distinct zoning districts in Hanover Township and each district has a specific list of permitted and conditional uses.

The basis for the zoning map is the Townships comprehensive plan. The comprehensive plan is a road map for future development within the Township and is updated periodically to reflect changing conditions and goals over time.

In the case of the proposed Stanbery Development, most of land in question is currently zoned PHR (Planned Highway Residential). A shopping center is not a permitted

use in this district and a change in zoning to C2 would be required for this project to proceed.

To effect a zoning change such as this, the land owner or equitable landowner (some one who has a valid agreement of sale with the land owner) would need to petition the Board of Supervisors to make the change to the zoning map.

The Board of Supervisors as a matter of policy does give any landowner the opportunity to present their case for a zoning map change and will go through the process in a fair and impartial manner. However, the outcome of the process is not guaranteed.

The process begins with an ordinance being drawn up by the township's professional staff and submitted to the planning commission for review. The planning commission will then schedule public hearings to receive testimony and input from both the developer/landowner or any other interested party from the public. The planning commission will also delve into issues such as traffic, storm water runoff, environmental issues, and buffering before making a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors on the proposed zoning change.

The Board of Supervisors will then repeat this process at another series of public hearings. Finally, the Board will then make a decision to either approve or reject the re-zoning request after reviewing all of the testimony received during the process.

As I mentioned above, all hearings for a re-zoning request are at public meetings. These meetings are advertised and are also listed on the agendas for both the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors when the hearings are scheduled. Agendas and meeting schedules for both bodies can be found at the Township's web site at under the agenda tab.

JOHN PHILIP SOUSA CONCERT

The Hanover Township Special Events Committee is proud to sponsor the 7th Annual John Philip Sousa Concert. The concert will be held at the Hanover Township Community Center Sunday, May 2nd, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. The return of the Liberty Alumni and Easton Municipal Bands will assure another memorable concert.

This year's concert will be in honor of the American soldiers in Iraq. The Special Events Committee and local elementary schools will have a large banner for everyone to write a good will message on and sign. The banner and several American flags will be taken to Iraq by a group of Marines from our area.

The American flags will be flown over their camps and then signed by the Marines. The Marines will send the flags home so that they can be proudly flown at local sites. Hanover Township will receive one of these flags and rotate it through our schools and local businesses that would like to take part in honoring these fine men and women.

This concert is free and open for everyone. Cookies and punch will be served before the show.

2nd Annual Fire, Police and Public Works Appreciation Day

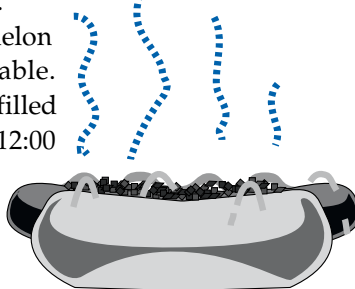
On Saturday, June 19th Hanover Township will hold the 2nd Annual 'Fire, Police & Public Works Appreciation Day'. CRPD, Hanover Fire and EMT, and Township equipment will be available to see and explore. The MedEvac helicopter will make a special landing and Rex, the new CRPD dog, will give a demonstration of his special skills.

This year we will add a Police vs. Fireman vs. Hanover Road Crew competition. The groups will compete against each other in a hose and paint gun target shoot, obstacle course, dummy drag and car push. Come out and cheer on your favorite team!

So that the weather is warmer, we moved our dunk tank from Family Fun Day to this event. Now we will be sure that we can dunk our politicians, community leaders, Police Chief, Recreation Director and Township Supervisors! You will get 2 shots for a \$1 donation or 12 shots for a \$5 donation. The schedule of "dunkees" will be in the next Hanoverview.

We will also present the 2nd Annual Hanover Township "Community Appreciation Award". The 1st recipients of the award were Skip & Phyllis Rheiner who together have volunteered and served for 100 years on the Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Company. This award is given to a person or family that has continually worked on making our community a better place to live. Nominations are now being accepted until May 10th. Please send your nomination to the Hanover SEC, 3630 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem, PA 18017 including the reasons the individual or individuals should be so honored.

Hot dogs, chips, watermelon and soda will be available. Please join us for this fun-filled learning experience from 12:00 p.m. until 3:00 pm and say thank you to all of the people who do so much for all of us.



Contacts

The Township has an automated Phone System. When calling after hours messages may be left at the following extensions.



- # 221 Tax information - Deanna Skinner
- # 226 Building & Zoning - Al Fiore
- # 222 Township Manager - Jim Sterner
- # 231 Secretary\Treasurer - Linda Steiner
- # 223 Assistant Secretary - Lori Strunzl
- # 224 Public Works Supervisor - Kevin Healy
- # 225 Manager's Secretary - Nancy Wagner

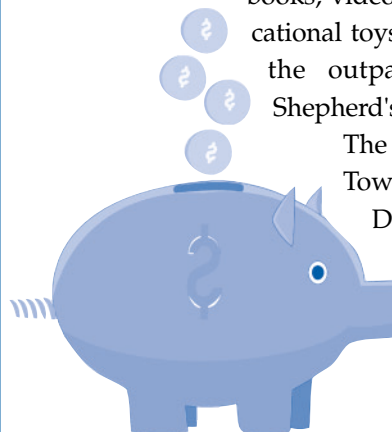
When calling during normal business hours please leave a short message and number in the General Mailbox and the appropriate person will return your call

Penny Power

A penny here and a penny there. In just under two months, children from Hanover Elementary School, Northampton County, collected \$966.07 in pennies from the bottoms of their mothers' purses, from under beds, from family penny jars and just about any place unclaimed pennies could be found. With a \$1,000 match from National Penn Bank, the students bought nearly \$2,000 worth of



books, videos, and educational toys and games for children in the outpatient program at Good Shepherd's Dornsife Pediatric Center. The project was part of Hanover Township's, "Make a Difference Day" in November to raise community awareness for charitable causes.



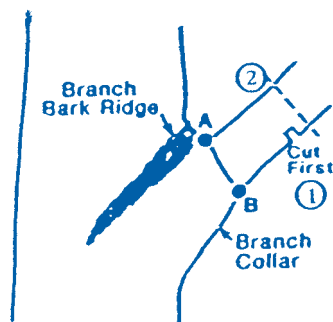
Shade Tree Advisory Commission

PROPER PRUNING TECHNIQUES FOR OVERHANGING TREE BRANCHES

If you have a tree planted next to a sidewalk or the road, you are responsible for pruning the tree branches to allow for a 7-foot clearance over the sidewalk and a 14-foot clearance over the road.

The best time to prune is late in the dormant season (late winter).

When pruning live branches, please follow proper pruning methods to allow for rapid healing of pruning cuts. Use the three-step method as outlined below. This information can also be found in the Shade Tree Care pamphlet available in the Township office (free). We have noticed some homeowners have pruned their tree branches, but have left stubs or stumps that do not heal well and allow insects and diseases to enter the tree.

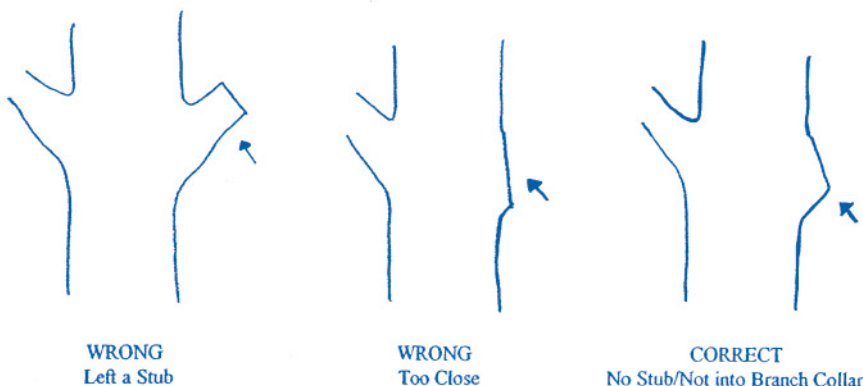


Notch the underside of the branch about 12 inches from the trunk to prevent the bark from ripping.

Cut off the branch beyond the notch.

Locate the branch bark ridge (A); locate the branch collar (B); cut from A to B.

It is not necessary to paint or treat the cut surface. If done correctly—no stub is left and the cut is not too close to the trunk through the branch collar—the tree will heal itself nicely.



REMINDERS

Apply mulch around tree trunks to conserve moisture and prevent lawnmower damage.

Water young trees during summer drought conditions.

Obtain a permit to remove a live or dead tree in the Township right-of-way near the street. The tree must be replaced with one from the Township's Approved Tree List.



Asa Packer School News

We have closed 2003 and begun the new year with a variety of projects and learning experiences. Bethlehem artist "Mr. Imagination" (a.k.a. Greg Warmack) visited Asa Packer Elementary School in December to share his unique approach to 3-D design. "Mr. I" is known worldwide for his uncanny ability to transform cast-off items into intriguing sculptures. Students were inspired by his bottle cap-embellished clothing, his wire and wood putty figures and his sandstone carvings. Students then created their own personal "paintbrush people" by adding recycled odds and ends to old discarded paintbrushes. The results were amazing!! What an unforgettable art experience!

Disney fans of all ages had a chance to hear their favorites. The Asa Packer stage came alive with the sounds of many Disney hits. Involving the whole school and chorus, under the direction of Mrs. deVries, this concert featured songs from The Lion King, The Hunchback of Notre Dame, Toy Story, The Aristocats, Mulan, Mary Poppins, and The Mickey Mouse Club, just to name a few.

Student Council has undertaken more community projects. A huge bag of warm outer clothing was delivered for a Liberty High School project "Coats for Kids." Those items were donated to both Turning Point and needy students in the Bethlehem area. Student Council's annual visit to Country Meadows Assisted Living Home was heart warming. Representatives sang holiday songs for the residents who were in awe as they were serenaded by choral and instrumental versions on piano, violin, and French Horn performed by the students.

Sandra Gribbin, Asa Packer kindergarten teacher has been nominated by The Learning for Life Staff to receive the "Golden Apple Award" as the Elementary Teacher of the Year for her outstanding participation in utilizing this Career Awareness Program. Mrs. Gribbin received her award at the annual Educator's Luncheon held in early January at Muhlenberg College.

From the Public Works Director

TRASH AND RECYCLING COLLECTION

Please DO NOT put material out for pickup before 6:00 P.M. the night before collection.

Please keep all trash & recycling cans behind the curb and NOT in the street.

All garbage shall be stored in containers with lids for pick-up. Please make sure your trash and recycling is secured from the wind and animals. Your neighbor does not want to clean up your blowing trash or recycling

Thank-you to all Residents for your continued Recycling effort.

PARKING DURING SNOW STORMS

Please, please, please when SNOW is in the forecast make every effort to keep all your vehicles in your driveway. Snow removal is a problem in the following areas: All Cu-de-Sacs in the Township as well as the following streets: Grace Avenue, Jaclyn Lane, Overlook Drive, Briarstone Road and Rosewood Drive.

With everyone cooperating, we can all have cleaner and safer streets after a snowstorm. Without cooperation Regulations will have to be enacted and enforced.

Please be aware that we usually have to plow streets at least 2 times and sometimes even more depending on the severity of the storm.

Please remember if you have sidewalk adjoining your property all snow must be removed within 36 hours after a storm. Please do not shovel snow into the streets!

PET OWNERS:

1. No Dogs in Parks or on Township Property.
2. Dogs shall be under owner's control at all times.
3. Please clean up after your animals.
4. All dogs shall be licensed with the County. (Forms available at Municipal Building)
5. Cat owners! Please be aware that as a cat owner YOU are responsible to keep your animal on your property. This has become a big problem over the past few years.

Fire Company News

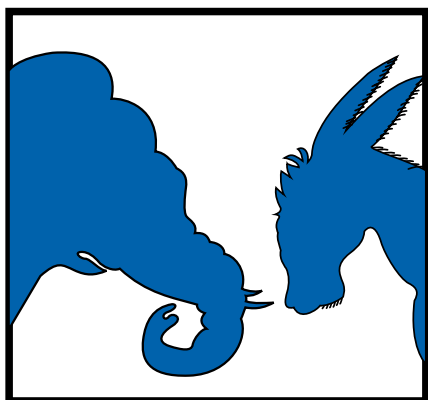
by Mindy George, First Vice President

On behalf of the Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Company #1 I would like to thank the residents of Hanover Township Northampton County for their wonderful and appreciated financial support for 2003.

I would like to give the residents of Hanover Township a little something to think about---and no I'm not trying to scare anyone or give the residents of the township the wrong idea. Recently the Morning Call newspaper ran a story about the Fountain Hill Rescue Squad ceasing operation due to the lack of personnel to respond to emergencies in the borough. We are concerned that one day the residents of Hanover Township will face the same type of situation unless we work to avoid that happening now.

The Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Company #1 is looking for men and women (18 and over) to join the ranks of volunteer fire fighters and ambulance personnel to help their neighbors at the time of their need. The ambulance corps is slowly shrinking and the township is slowly growing. We are experiencing trouble responding an ambulance in a timely manner and keep hoping that we have enough people coming to help respond the ambulance. Currently we are relying on TEAMS, an ambulance staffing company that serves Bath, Hanover Township, East Allen Township and Lower Nazareth Township from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, for daytime coverage to guarantee our residents the appropriate service they have grown accustomed to.

Any resident of Hanover Township who has a few hours a week to help their community are asked to stop by the fire house any Monday evening after 7 p.m. for more information or give us a call at 610-867-2103 and leave us a message. We will return your call as soon as possible. Thank you!



Voting Districts Realigned

Registered voters in the 4th Voting District (Fire House) should have or will be receiving notification of their new Voting District in the mail. The Northampton County Elections and Voter Registration office has broken the 4th District into 3 voting districts (4th, 5th & 6th).



Bethlehem Partnership

For A Healthy Community

December 3, 2003

Hanover Township Special Events Committee
c/o Natalie Miller
Hanover SEC
3630 Jacksonville Rd.
Bethlehem, PA 18017

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Bethlehem Partnership for a Healthy Community, I would like to thank you for your generous donation of dental supplies. It was like "Christmas Morning" when we opened the boxes containing 559 adult toothbrushes, 294 child size toothbrushes, 325 tubes of toothpaste, 150 containers of floss and five bottles of mouthwash. By utilizing donations and using our resources wisely, we can continue to offer quality oral health care to our area's underserved children.

It is exciting to realize that in the past 2 ½ years, the Dental Health Initiative has provided dental treatment for over 1700 children in the Lehigh Valley. Although we have staff in our mobile clinics five days a week, the high need for our initiative has prompted us to use creative ways of seeing more children. I enclose a brochure that describes some of the ways that we expand our services by involving the community.

Please feel free to call if your committee has questions or requests for our initiative.

Sincerely,

Judy Gelinas, Coordinator
Dental Health Initiative

MEETING OF BOARDS AND COMMISSION

The following is a list of all meetings for the Hanover Township Boards and Commissions for 2002. All meetings are open to the public and are held at the Township Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road. All meetings to start at 7:30 p.m. except where noted. Residents are urged to attend these meetings. Don't let one of these boards decision effect you without your input!

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: Regular meetings are held the SECOND and FOURTH TUESDAY of each month. Workshop sessions are held the THIRD TUESDAY of each month.

PLANNING COMMISSION: Meetings are held the FIRST MONDAY of each month, however, the July, August and September meetings will be held on the second Monday.

SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE: Meetings are held the THIRD WEDNESDAY of each month starting at 8:00 p.m.

RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD: Meetings are held the SECOND THURSDAY of each month starting at 8:00 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 1st Monday in June. Meetings start at 6:30 p.m.

CRIME WATCH: Meetings are held the SECOND WEDNESDAY of every other month. Meetings start at 7:30 p.m. Remaining meetings for 200 are June, August, October & December.



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