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What you always wanted to know about...



The Earned Income Tax is a tax on "Earned Income", which is defined as follows: Salaries, wages, commissions, bonuses, incentive payments, fees, tips, and other compensation received by a person or his personal representative for services rendered, whether directly or through an agent, and whether in cash or in property as determined under section 303 of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L. 6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, and regulations in 61 PA. Code Pt. I subpt. B. Art. V (relating to personal income tax). Compensation not defined as earned income is fully defined in the Code.

Any individual working in a jurisdiction that levies the tax on residents and non-residents will have the tax withheld by their employer. If you work in a jurisdiction that does NOT tax non-residents, your employer is only required to withhold for those individuals who live in that jurisdiction. Occasionally, employers located in a jurisdiction where the tax is not levied will volunteer to withhold if your resident jurisdiction levies the tax.

If the tax is withheld in another PA community where you work, you do not also pay the PA District in which you live. Generally the tax withheld by your employer will be remitted to your resident jurisdiction. However, you are still required to file an annual tax return with your resident taxing jurisdiction.

If you are subject to the Philadelphia wage tax, you do not have to pay this tax. However, you are still required to file a final return. If employed in Philadelphia, you may use the Philadelphia Wage Tax as a credit against your liability to your resident jurisdiction, but the credit may not exceed your resident jurisdiction tax rate. No refund or credit can be taken for any withholding greater than the tax rate for your resident taxing jurisdiction. Philadelphia wage tax credits may not be applied to your spouse's liability.

If you lived in a jurisdiction/municipality for only part of the year, you are required to file a return for any period of time you were/are a resident of a municipality for which Berkheimer is the tax administrator. You are required to file for the period of time you lived in that municipality and prorate your income, expense, withholding, etc. Below is a formula you can use for prorating:

Total years income / 12 months or 365 days X length of time living in Jurisdiction = Income taxable to that jurisdiction (same formula can be used for withheld and expenses)*

Your local earned income should be reported in the box labeled "Local Wages, Tips, Etc." on your W-2. (*Please note: If the amount reported as State Wages, Tips or other compensation, then you should submit an explanation for this difference.*) Your local earned income should be reported in the box labeled "Local Wages, Tips, Etc." If this box is not completed, than you should refer to the box labeled "State Wages, Tips, Etc.".

If you need to locate what jurisdiction you are residing in please go to:

http://munstatspa.dced.state.pa.us/Find LocalTax.aspx?T=1

CRPD's Newest Officer

Justin Schippang is a lifelong resident of Nazareth, Pennsylvania and graduated from Nazareth Area High School in 2005. He then attended Northampton Community College where he obtained a two-year associates degree in Criminal Justice.



After obtaining his degree, he went to the Allentown Police Academy and graduated in December 2008, obtaining PA ACT 120 basic police training certification. Justin is looking forward to serving the communities that he grew up in.

NEW FIREFIGHTING TECHNOLOGY

by Fire Chief Scott Milham

This edition's topic is the ARA-Safety FIT-5 Firefighting Grenade. Now I know that the term grenade brings all type of destructive thoughts and images to your mind as in military type hand grenades. However, this type of grenade is not destructive and is very beneficial to the community and the firefighters that protect that community.

The Fit in the name Fit-5 stands for Fire Interruption technology. This "grenade" is designed to be used by public safety personnel, i.e. Firefighters and or Police at the scene of a Dwelling or Structure Fire. Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Company has purchased one of the grenades to be kept on the Incident Command Truck that is driven by the Fire Chief or one of his assistants if the Chief is out of the area. To my knowledge, we are the only fire company in Eastern PA to have one.

Let's explain what is needed for a fire to start and continue to burn. First of all, its needs to have some type of fuel such as wood, paper, gas etc. Next it needs to have a heat source such as an open flame. And lastly it needs oxygen to support the combustion. When all of those ingredients combine along with a chemical reaction, you get a fire. If you take away any of those ingredients, the fire will go out. When we use water to put out a fire, we are taking away the heat. When you use certain types of fire extinguishers they can take away the oxygen thereby putting out the fire. The Fit-5 removes the fuel part of the fire at a molecular level thereby interrupting the chemical reaction. The Fit-5 is not designed to completely extinguish the fire but to knock the fire down to a smaller more manageable size and also reduce the temperature in the area of the fire drastically.

By knocking the fire down and reducing the temperature in the fire area, it makes it much easier and safer for the responding firefighters. The temperature in the fire area during a fire can be anywhere from 300 to 1400 degrees. The Fit-5 is designed to be use in the early stages of the fire such as when it is contained to one or two rooms. One of the best scenarios to use the Fit-5 is basement fires. The problem with most basement fires is that when you are trying to get to the basement to put out the fire you must descend a stairway to do so. During a basement fire all of the smoke and superheated gases are coming up the stairway at the same time the firefighters are trying to come down the same stairway. It's like trying to climb down a chimney while there is a roaring fire going in the fireplace.

The Fit-5 is non-toxic and can be used if there is a person trapped in the fire area. One of the benefits of using the Fit-5 is that there is much less water damage after the fire.

Another is that we can knock the fire down immediately upon the arrival of the incident command truck even though it does not have a pump or water on it. Many times the Fire Chief may arrive anywhere from a minute to a couple minutes before the fire trucks and he can effectively knock down the fire with the Fit-5. The reason the time element is so important is that the fire doubles in size every minute so the couple of minutes that are gained will help limit the damage that is done by the fire.

So as you can see, the Fit-5 is a great new tool available to our fire company to help save the lives and property of our township residents and businesses. Thanks again to all Township Residents for their support in 2009.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out will be held at Hanover Township's Municipal Complex on Tuesday, August 4th from 6-9 p.m.

You are invited to meet with members of the Colonial Regional Police and the Township Crime Watch who will be on hand with games and prizes for the kids, "Kids Picture ID



cards" and Homeland Security Packets. There will be live music by "Shake, Rattle & Soul". Rain or shine, there will be free hot dogs, ice cream and birch beer. Look for flyers during the summer for further information.



Northampton County Emergency Management Services Launches Emergency Alerting System

Nazareth, May 15, 2009 — NotifyNC, an emergency text messaging service that will allow Northampton County officials to share critical information with the public, was launched today at a press conference held at the county's Emergency Operations Center in Nazareth, PA. Northampton County Executive, John Stoffa, who was joined by Director of Emergency Management Services, Robert Mateff and County Administrator, John Conklin; encouraged



the public to sign up for NotifyNC which would allow them to receive real-time updates on a variety of issues throughout the Northampton County.

"Providing information to the public quickly and accurately is a critical step needed to protect the public and prevent injuries during an emergency," said County Executive John Stoffa. "I am proud to be here today with Emergency Management staff to launch NotifyNC, which is the next generation emergency alerting system that will greatly enhance emergency response in Northampton County."

NotifyNC is a notification system that allows Northampton County officials to send email or text messages to cell phones, Blackberries, pagers and other enabled devices that have been registered. Using www.NotifyNC.org the public can customize their subscriptions and choose the types of alerts that they wish to receive. Examples of alerts that may be sent out by the county include severe weather alerts, transportation delays, Amber Alerts and other public safety information. The public can now sign up for this service by visiting –

www.NotifyNC.org.

Alerts will be automatically sent to any device that the individual selects. Northampton County Director of Emergency Services, Robert Mateff, thinks that this new service will have a dramatic impact on his Division's attempts at keeping the public aware of any ongoing emergencies within the county. "NotifyNC will keep you and yours connect-

ed to critical information when you need it most—during an emergency." "Implementation of this public alerting system greatly enhances our efforts to prepare and protect the public," said Mateff.

NotifyNC is powered by the Roam Secure Alert NetworkTM (RSAN) from Cooper Notification. Cooper has deployed other RSAN systems in major metropolitan areas across the country including the Southeast Region of Pennsylvania, the Washington, D.C. metro area, New Orleans, San Francisco and Central Florida.

"Telephone systems, both cellular and hard line, are built to handle a certain capacity. These systems can become quickly overwhelmed during a crisis," said Ned Ingraham, Coopernotification. "Callers may hear a fast busy signal or an 'all circuits are busy now' message. Cooper Notification's Roam Secure Alert Network[™] uses text-based alerting because it is less vulnerable to disruption. Text uses a part of the cell phone network that is allocated for data only, so it isn't competing with voice to reach the recipient's handset."

Northampton County Emergency Management Services Announces Social Networking Initiative

Nazareth, May 15, 2009 - Northampton County Emergency Management Services announced today they are now on Facebook and Twitter. The social networking initiative has been designed to reach a broader network and raise awareness throughout the county. The social networking sites will be used to provide weekly emergency preparedness tips, broadcast advisories and important informational updates.

Links to the pages can be found at www.NC911.org. Director for Northampton County Emergency Management Services, Robert Mateff, noted "It is important for us to take advantage of the opportunity to reach so many people." "Social networking is another avenue we can use to enhance the public's awareness and emphasize the importance of being prepared for emergencies." Mateff also encouraged the public to register at www.NotifyNC.org for official emergency alerts and informational updates or visit Northampton County's Division of Emergency Management Services website at www.NC911.org.

- You can follow us on Twitter at http://twitter.com/NorthamptonEM
- You can friend us on Facebook at http://www.facebook.com/pages/Nazareth-PA/Northampton-County-Emergency-Management-Services/95688940038?ref=nf

House Finally Addresses Cell Phone Use by Teen Drivers

A COLUMN BY REPRESENTATIVE CRAIG A. DALLY 138TH LEGISLATIVE

With spring finally in the air, the state House of Representatives held a serious debate on legislation important to you - safe driving by teens and the dangers of distracted driving (House Bill 67). In June of 2005, in an effort to encourage good habits among young drivers, I introduced legislation that would prohibit drivers holding learner's permits or junior driver's licenses from using cell phones while operating a motor vehicle.

A junior license in Pennsylvania is a provisional license given to 16 and 17 year olds until they gain enough experience to "graduate" to a full adult license. This occurs as early as age 17 years and six months. The purpose

of my legislation, as I explained at a press conference at the Hanover Recreation Center in Northampton County, is to make sure that young drivers are dedicated to the responsibility of driving a car. Operating a one-ton vehicle should never be considered a casual or secondary activity.

The communications world continues to change dramatically and, since 2005, "texting" has become prevalent especially among young people. While common sense would indicate that sending text messages while driving is a dangerous practice, that hasn't prevented some drivers, young and old, from doing it. There are reports practically every week of accidents, many of them fatal, caused by drivers who are sending text messages while driving.

Unfortunately, the reporting and commentary on House Bill 67 focused as much on what was not in the bill as what was in it. Although an amendment that I supported to the bill which would have prohibited cell phone use and texting by all drivers was not included in the bill, the measure does include some important safety measures.

As it passed the House, the legislation includes the pro-



vision I introduced in 2005 and have been advocating since then that prohibits holders of learner's permits or junior driver's licenses from using interactive wireless communications devices, including cell phones, text-messaging devices, personal digital assistants and laptop computers, while driving, except when reporting an emergency or accident.

The bill also calls for an additional 15 hours of practical driving experience as a prerequisite to the holder of a learner's permit under 18 before obtaining a junior license, 10 hours of which would have to be in the dark and five hours in inclement weather.

Junior drivers would be restricted to transporting no more than one passenger younger than 18, except siblings or relatives. The bill also makes it a primary offense to not wear a seat belt for drivers and front seat occupants under 18. PennDOT would also compile and publish an annual report concerning the use of interactive wireless communication devices in motor vehicles involved in accidents and makes it a primary offense to not wear a seat belt for drivers and front seat occupants under 18.

Finally, the House toughened penalty provisions for all drivers who are cited for careless driving if it is determined that at the time of the violation, the driver was distracted because of the use of any device not associated with the safe operation of a vehicle, including using a cell phone or other mechanical device, grooming, eating or drinking, or reading a newspaper or other printed material. Distracted driving would be considered a secondary offense and subject to a \$50 fine. The bill now goes to the Senate for consideration.

Visit my Web site, www.CraigDally.com, for more information on the dangers of distracted driving.

PATRIOT'S DAY – Flag Retirement Ceremony • Friday, September 11th at 6:30 pm



In memory of those who perished during the tragic events of September 11th and as a symbol of solidarity and support of the members of our Armed Forces who protect our freedom around the globe, we will again be hosting our ANNUAL FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY.

We encourage township residents to drop off their worn and tattered American flags at the Community Center so that they may be properly retired during a Boy Scout Flag Retirement Ceremony. All residents are invited and encouraged to attend. We would like to extend an open invitation to all Boys Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies and Cub Scouts to join us in this vital effort to remember those who perished and those who came to their assistance during that tragic time.

FLAGS NEEDED

If you have a flag that you would like properly retired at the September 11th Patriots Day event, please drop it off at either the Community Center or the Township Municipal Building.

HTCC

Recreation Director: Cathy Heimsoth

Assistant Directors: Fran Taglang Rob Cepin

Phone: 610-317-8701

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- Field Trips: Bowling at
- Other special event days:
- found at each park

Hanover Township Community Center

Recreation News

Movie Night @ Hanover Pool

NEW this year is Movie Night at Hanover Pool! Join us for a family fun event.

- Movie SANDLOT
- Where- Hanover Pool
- When- at DUSK-7/2/09
- Fee- Frew/ Pool Admission or proof of Hanover Township Residency.
- Bring your towel or blanket to sit on
- Watermelons and Ice Pops will be on handwhile available
- Come swimming earlier, pool will close to swimming at regular time 12 to 8 pm

We look forward to this fun event!



Outdoor showing of SANDLOT! July 2, 2009-at Dusk FREE to Tup. Residents!

OPENING

- PT Position for custodial/janitor at HTCC
- Call Fran: 610-317-8701

families that are looking for after

school enrichment programs for

your child, HTCC is expanding

to everyday programming so

environment to go to after

school. More on this program on

Have a safe and wonderful

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summer !

Summer Park. Program Highlights Come Run with Us!

needs.

The traditional Park program is still alive and well in Hanover

Summer Park and Recreation Township, A few changes have Looking ahead to fall, those has always been a successful been necessary, such as a program in Hanover! Over the nominal fee at registration years as the township families time. It is still the lowest fee change and the needs of our for similar programs in the families changed we have area! With the addition of our children ages 3-12 have a safe worked hard to provide Day Camps at HTCC, the fun summer programs to fit all just got better! More families can benefit from our summer programs and children can see their friends that traditionally are not at home.

Spring Fun at HTCC



Thank you to those folks who have supported our recent programs! The Easter Egg hunt went very well this year- thank you for joining usf

Scholastic Book Fair recently wrapped up and again we are glad to be able to offer such value to our community through this program. Remember- Book Everyone is invited Carts are available in the lobby all year round. Drop off your books to share and stop by and pick up your summer reading! You do not have to be a member of HTCC to take advantage of this program.

to come share the books in the Center lobby!



Wanted: Piano Instructor Call HTCC: 610-317-8701

The best place to get information on recreation programs is the website or biannual newsletters!

Recreation Program Update...

Late Summer Programs:

Instructional GOLF class

forming in August for children's ages 6-12. Program will consist of 10, 1 hour classes with introduction to all aspects of the game including: stroke, grip, posture, stance, etiquette and much more! It will also include class time at the driving range and a local golf course. Instructor:Ken Shankweiler **Cost: \$70 members/\$80 non Only 10 spots available**

Time: 4-5pm When:: Aug. 18 thru Sept. 17 (Class meets Tues. & Thurs.)

Fitness Updates at HTCC

Meet the NETA Trained PERSONAL TRAINERS at HTCC:

Theresa Heese - Theresa has been an aerobic instructor at HTCC for 10+ years, she has recently spearheaded the P90X program with great success.

Kelly Casciaro– Kelly is also a group fitness instructor at HTCC. Kelly is currently training for a 75 mile bike ride and has shared her training tips with her cycling classes.

Neil Heimsoth- Neil trains daily with the philosophy of the national program Crossfit, he continues his fitness training with Greg Huron of HealthSource Rehab and Chiropractic located in Hanover Twp.

Jim Rivera– Jimmy has been a consistent member at HTCC for many years. As a teacher by trade Jimmy is now eager to share his commitment to health and fitness with others.

All four trainers are dedicated and available for appointments at HTCC. The cost is only \$15 a half hour/ \$20 an hour. Appointments can be made at the front desk.

First Stridesm

Do you sometimes imagine yourself fit and strong striding effortlessly down the road during an easy workout or a 5K race?

This gradual 12-week program will help you comfortably progress from the couch to walking, jogging or running at a pace that's right for you.

When: Thursday evenings, 6:00- 7:15 p.m. beginning August 4-October 22, rain or shine Fees: \$45 Registration fee \$40 Early Bird & HTCC members, prior to July 25th. Fees are non-refundable. Fee includes workshops, literature, and a graduation shirt if earned! Make checks payable to : HTCC

Other Programs Offered this summer:

Cheer camp Sport Camps Day camps Dance Art Programs Volleyball Flag Football Basketball Swim lessons Teen Weight Tennis lessons And more.....

Aerobic Schedules - the calendar is updated quarterly, with new changes to be active starting June 15th. The P90X program will have a maintenance program through the summer on Tues./Thurs. and a new P90X Classic program to start in September.

Free Blood Pressure Checks- in the lobby 1st Wednesday of the month. 9-10 am

NETA certifications available at HTCC:

Group Exercise Workshop- Saturday, 6/27 8 am to 4:30 pm

Ultimate Balance Challenge–Sunday, 6/28 8 am to 1 pm Register w/ NETA: www.netafit.org



After 5:00 pm - cost for pool pass drops to \$2:00 for all ages!

Hanover Pool Happenings

Important pool information:

Phone: 610-868-3202

Opening Day: JUNE 6th

Hours: June 12-7 pm, July 12-8 pm, August 12-7 pm

Pool Closes at 4 pm for Swim Team: 6/18, 6/22, 7/13, 7/16 & 7/23 Dip & Dances: 1-3 pm 6/17, 7/15, and 8/13; music provided by D.H. Production.

Pool Parties: Birthday Party packages are available at the pool Contact HTCC to schedule your private party!

Pick up Pool Passes in the HTCC lobby. Pool closed: Mon. to Fri. 8/24-28 & 8/31-9/4

Reopens: Sat. & Sun. 8/29 & 30 *Open Labor Day Weekend - Sept. 5,6 & 7

Pool may close at the discretion of management regarding weather conditions.

To receive resident rate, please provide copy of current utility bill with address and name listed.

2009 Bingo Schedule - first Thursday of the month!

Monthly BINGO continues to be a popular program at the Center!

We feel fortunate to have donated to the following organizations through our BINGO program and look forward to more great months of Bingo:

February Bethlehem -Schwabisch Gmund March- Strides for Shelter April- Lauren's Hope Foundation May- St. Luke's Stroke Club June- Hanover Elementary PTA

August- SPECIAL Pampered contact Cathy at 610-317-8701. Chef Bingo only- \$15 ticket! September- Hanover Preschool Celebrating 10 years education excellence! of – October- Breast Cancer November- Santa to a Senior December- Toys for Tots

A portion of the proceeds from the nights bingo games go to the listed organization. If you know of any non-profit organization that would like to

July- MS City to Shore Ride participate in this program,



Ask about the Outdoor Marquee Bingo game. You may be our next winner!

Pampered Chef Bingo

When: Thursday, August 6th Time: 7 pm 12 GAMES Cost: \$15 prior/ \$20 at door Prizes: Pampered Chef Items

All players will take home a Cookbook from PC. Thank You to our Pampered Chef Consultant: Joan Steinberg

After School Enrichment Program - ages 3 to 12

Looking for an environment that is safe and productive for your children? HTCC and Hanover Preschool have teamed up to create an excellent opportunity for your preschool and school age children; 3 to 12 years old.

A daily program for extended care hours for preschool age children as well as school age has been developed.. Preschool age children will have the opportunity to have care from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm. Hours are purchased on an as needed basis; 24 hour registration required. Contracts are available for a more permanent setting,

School age children will also have the opportunity to take advantage of this same program. Transportation is not provided to and from schools. Private schools can make arrangements with their transportation department.

Families must be basic members of the Community Center. Enrolled participants with contracts have the option to participate in varied additional after school programs at

no additional cost. The enrichment program itself will be broken down into three sections; allowing different days to focus on targeted areas. Pick and choose what days and target areas work best for you and your child! The program will include homework help daily, physical activity and a snack. Participants will have the opportunity to participate in curriculum from Catch Kids Club and/or Color Me Healthy. Activities will be age appropriate.

The NEW scaling wall will be included in the fun! This new activity will be enriched with the curriculum from Climbing for Character Book. This unique program is designed to support eight traits: honesty, courage, diligence, responsibility, kindness, caring, respect, trustworthiness and service to others! Call for calendar and fees!

HTCC: 610-317-8701 Ask for Susan or Cathy

Fundraiser Updates for Recreation

Summer Time Fun at Paddy's Steak and Seafood Restaurant.

HTCC kicked off a collaboration with Paddy's in March. Inviting the residents of Hanover to join us in raising funds for our recreation program. If you have not had the opportunity to do so yet, print off the "clipping" from the website and take it with you to Paddy's. For every table that provides this clipping, Paddy's will donate a portion of food sales to the recreation department.

NEW- savings through www.mysmokinhotdeals.com Pick up your PIN at HTCC and register with the website, surf the deals on products that you use on a regular basis and a portion of these sales will benefit Hanover recreation!

Can't stop in, call and we will provide you with a PIN. Thank you for taking the time to check it out!



New scaling wall coming this summer!

OUESTIONS?

Email: info@hotdealsatwork.com

2009 POOL Membership

Resident Rates Non-Resident Rates Family \$101 HTCC Members \$80 \$241 HTCC Members \$194 Adult \$76 HTCC Members \$61 \$136 HTCC Members \$109 Senior Citizen \$38 HTCC Members \$98 HTCC Members \$78 \$31 Youth \$43 HTCC Members \$35 \$101 HTCC Members \$80

(Senior Citizen, 65 or older, Hanover Township residents only-one time lifetime pool membership of \$50.)

Family includes 2 adults and dependent children 21 and under living in the same household. Two adults can be both parents, or one
parent and one grandparent. Any unusual circumstances will be at the discretion of the Recreation Director and requests must be
received in writing.

Three Easy Ways to Register

Family Name Adult First Last	Addre			
Home Phone Wor	k Phone	E-Mail		
Participant	Description of Membership** Program*	DOB	M/F	Fee (\$)

*Registrations are on a first come first serve basis.

**Please list all family members and birth dates for membership purposes.

VISA

(circle)

Method of Payment

CK#_____

California Lynnin

Acct. Number_____

Expiration Date on Card_____

0

Total Due:

a. I waive, release, and discharge Hanover Township, and any employees, supervisors, representatives or agents of Hanover Township, from any and all claims or liabilities for death, personal injury, property damage, theft or damages of any kind, arising out of or relating to my activities at, or may travel to and from HTCC. b. I agree not to sue Hanover Township or any employees, supervisors, representatives or agents of Hanover Township from any claims made assessed against them as a result of my association with the Hanover Township Community Center and/or my participation in its programs and activities.

MASTERCARD

Amount of Payment_

Authorized Signature_

Walk in registrations: M-F 6am-10pm/Sat 7am-6pm or Sun.1pm-6pm

Mail to: HTCC 3660 Jacksonville Rd., Bethlehem, PA 18017

Or Fax: 610-317-8701

Signature:_____



Hanover Township, Hanover Township Crime Watch and the Colonial Regional Police Department are advising residents to LOCK their vehicles in

the overnight hours and to REMOVE all valuables from the vehicles.

In the overnight hours of 4/5/09 to 4/6/09 actors targeted the areas of Greenleaf Drive, Greenfield Road, Gloria Lane, Claire Street and Brent-wood Avenue.

In the overnight hours of 4/6/09 to 4/7/09 actors targeted the areas of Kim Street, Sycamore Avenue, Biafore Avenue, Gaspar Avenue and Browning Lane.

The actors either broke vehicles windows to get into vehicles or the vehicles were left unlocked. The actors took GPS units, IPods, purses, money and other valuables that were left in the vehicle. The CRPD asks that if anyone observed suspicious activities in those neighborhoods to contact them. If anyone has information concerning the continuing vehicle break-ins in Hanover Township to please call the Colonial Regional Police Department at 610-861-4820 and ask for Detective Gary Hammer. The caller and information provided can remain anonymous.

The CRPD and the Hanover Township Crime Watch remind the residents of Hanover Township to always lock their vehicles and do not leave anything of value

in their vehicles.

Residents are also urged to leave their property well lit with either permanent lighting or lights that are activated with motion in the overnight hours.

Hanover Township also recommends that residents sign up for the email notification on the Township website www.hanovertwp-nc.org. Residents will be alerted to important community issues, like these vehicle break-ins and other community activities. Email notification sign up is available on the Home Page of the website.

Kevin Healy Retirement Luncheon



On Friday, April 17th Kevin Healy was recognized on the occasion of his retirement from Hanover Township. The Township Solicitor's Office – Broughal & DeVito, LLP and Township Engineer – Hanover Engineering Associates hosted a luncheon in Kevin's honor at the Community Center. Attending were township employees, retirees, vendors, family and friends of Kevin.

Kevin's efforts were acknowledged with proclamations from the United States House of Representatives; Senate and House of Representatives of PA and the Board of Supervisors. Kevin was also acknowledged and roasted by former Township Manager Jim Sterner, public works *Kevin Healy accepts his Proclamation from Representative Dally.*

BOARD SUPERVISORS: Chairman John Diacogiannis, Kevin Healy, Vice Chairman Glenn Walbert and Supervisor Steve Salvesen



employees Jeremy Bucko and Duane Breidenbach, Public Works Director Vince Milite, Solicitor Jim Broughal, Engineer Jim Birdsall, Township Manager Finnigan and his wife Sherri who provided him with a honey-do-list and the appropriate supplies.

Residential Rental Property Permitting and Inspection

On April 28, 2009, the Hanover Township Board of Supervisors ("Board") adopted Ordinance No. 09-12, providing for Residential Rental Property Permitting



and Inspection. The Ordinance was enacted to protect public health, safety and welfare. The first comment made after an incident, accident or disaster occurs in a rental property is what the municipality did to protect the residents. The ordinance adopted by the Board establishes a process and inspection procedure to ensure that occupants of rental properties in Hanover Township reside in safety.

The ordinance requires every property owner to register their residential rental units no later than July 31, 2009. **The application which was mailed on May 15th must be completed and returned to the Township no later than July 31, 2009.** Applicable Fees were subsequently adopted by Resolution No. 09-15 are as follows:

REGISTRATION FEE (per unit)	\$50.00
INSPECTION FEE (per unit)	\$50.00
ALL FAILED & REINSPECTION FEE (per unit)	\$75.00

It is the owner's responsibility to schedule a property inspection to conform to the Hanover Township Property Maintenance Code and the Hanover Township Codified Ordinances to ensure the rental units comply with all codes, regulations and are kept in clean and sanitary condition.

ASA PACKER SCHOOL NEWS

Asa Packer is wrapping up a terrific school year! Recently, fifth grade participated in the Frank Broad Track Meet and won various awards, particularly in running. Congratulations 5th grade! Fourth grade traveled to Harrisburg for their annual trip and third grade visited Hawk Mountain (in the rain!). Second grade traveled to the Lehigh Valley Zoo. All had an educational, and fun, time. Our annual International Dinner was well-attended and we tasted amazing foods from many cultures.

Looking forward, fifth grade "graduates" and ends their year with a trip to the Liberty Science Center. Our spring concert was held on May 18th and field day was May 22nd. We focused on games from around the world, ending our school-wide multicultural study. Our annual Patio Party was held on May 29th.

We are Puma Proud!

Fall Fun for everyone!! Hanover Township Fall Festival Saturday, October 10th, 12 pm

Enjoy Hanover Township's Fall Festival with your friends and neighbors. There will be plenty of fun for everyone! Children young and old are encouraged to wear their favorite costume. Log onto www.hanovertwp-nc.org and click on the Special Events tab for updated information on the Fall Festival and contest information.



LIONS CLUB NEWS

Thank you to everyone who attended our spring spaghetti dinner. Some of the funds we raised will help to support a camper at Pennsylvania Lion Beacon Lodge Camp, south of Mount Union. The 583 acre camp is nestled in the woodlands along the Juanita River. The camp was established in 1948 for blind residents. The camp now includes Children's Village for ages 6 - 17 and an Adult Camp including married couples. It is open to children and adults with other special need, including deafness and other physical needs and mental challenges. With a grant from Lions International Foundation, the camp now has a swinging pool for individuals in wheelchairs. Beacon Lodge is committed to the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of people with many different challenges. You can learn more about the camp at www.beaconlodge.com. For information about the Lions Club call Willard or Bernice Kulp 610-865-5440.

Working to Expand Health Care Options

A COLUMN BY SENATOR PAT BROWNE 16TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Earlier this year, the Senate Republican caucus unveiled a legislative package to provide quality health care coverage to more Pennsylvania families. Unlike some health care proposals that have come before the General Assembly previously, HealthNET PA is a specific, targeted plan that does more than simply throw money out there in the hope of providing care and coverage to Pennsylvanians without health insurance.

HealthNET builds on and invests in a system with a proven history of serving the health needs of communities across the Commonwealth. It's important to note that this plan has strong bi-partisan support. For the

record, the HealthNET PA plan was unveiled at a February 2nd press conference in Harrisburg. A month later, President Obama announced \$155 million in grants for 126 health clinics across the nation. That total included \$6.7 million for six Pennsylvania health clinics. I'd say that's a rather solid financial endorsement for our proposal.

The Community-Based Healthcare Program component of HealthNET PA would provide essential state support for the expansion and site development of health care clinics across Pennsylvania that would provide "medical homes" for 175,000 working poor clients and ease pressure on hospital emergency rooms.

As a complement to that proposal, I introduced Senate Bill 464 which would enable health care professionals to apply the time they spend providing essential care in a clinic environment toward the continuing education requirements for their specific discipline. The Senate



Senator Pat Browne

unanimously approved SB 464 in April and it is now in the House of Representatives for consideration. Specifically, the Volunteer Continuing Medical Education Act would allow physicians, dentists, dental hygienists, nurses, certified registered nurse practitioners or physician assistants to apply volunteer time served in a community-based health care clinic towards the completion of mandatory continuing education hours required by their individual licensure boards.

I believe this is a win-win-win option for the state, for health care professionals and for those who will use the services offered by those clinics. Pennsylvania and its taxpayers will gain

since this process would limit the cost burden of those clinics and, in turn, the savings are an important benefit to the state as we struggle to meet the financial burdens caused by the current economic downturn.

SB 464 will allow trained, experienced health care professionals to apply their skills in an environment where they may truly encounter situations, cases and circumstances that they might not normally see in the daily routines of their individual practices and hospitals while realizing personal financial savings. The benefit to patients is readily apparent as they will be treated by experienced professionals.

I hope that the House will move this bill, along with the other measures in the HealthNET PA package, through the legislative process and onto the Governor's desk. This will provide more Pennsylvanians with access to quality health care that they may not be receiving now.

Hanover Elementary School News by Laura Kuehner

It's hard to believe the school year is almost over; time has really flown! We've had a busy spring season with many exciting events. Our 2nd annual Shopping Night Out was a big success. Thanks to everyone in the community who stopped by to do a little shopping.

Science Day was another great day at Hanover. I think we have some budding scientist in our school based on all the experimentation we had going on. Our Earth Day event was a lot of fun thanks to Frailey Landscaping, various Girl Scout troops, students and parents. We hope you've noticed our "spring clean up".

Now that the warmer weather has finally arrived we'll wrap up the year with Field Day and Hawk Walk. Both of these events encourage our students go outside and play rather than sit in front of a screen all day. Finally, we thank our parents and community for their support throughout the year so that we can continue to be the High Flying, High Achieving Hanover Hawks!!

Community Service Hours

High schools students wishing to complete Community Service Hours assisting at Township events and programs should contact Margaret Giordano at 610-866-1140. Main Library 11 W. Church St. Bethlehem, PA 18018 610 867-7-3761 Mon.-Thurs.: 9 AM-9PM Friday: 9AM-6PM Saturday: 9AM-5PM



The library will be closed on July 4.

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South Side Branch 4th & Webster Bethlehem, PA 18015 610 867-7852 Mon. & Thurs.:11AM-8PM Tues. & Wed.: 11AM-5PM Saturday: 11AM-2:30PM

1st Annual 5K Walk/Run: The Bethlehem Area Public Library is and has been a part of so many lives. The community is invited to share their stories with each other during the first annual 5K Walk/Run on Saturday, June 6. Rain or shine, the Walk begins at the Main Library, 11 W. Church St., and crosses the Faye Bridge to the South Side Branch, 400 Webster St. Participants are welcome to tour the Branch before returning to the Main Library. The library's outreach van will circle the route to pick up stragglers.

The Walk benefits the library's Room to Grow project, a capital campaign to expand children's services at the Main Library and make improvements to the Branch. Janet Fricker, the library's executive director, is hoping that families will come out in support of the library. "Strollers and dogs are welcome. We are hoping that everyone who loves the library will either walk or sponsor a walker." Families, neighbors, friends, classmates, teams, and runners are encouraged to collect donations prior to the Walk. Sponsor sheets and a map are available online at **www.bapl.org** or at the Main Library, the bookmobile, and the Branch. Registration begins at 9 a.m. Members of Liberty High School's track team will lead warm-up exercises. The Walk begins at 10 a.m. For more information, phone 610 867-3761 x237.

Children's programs: For information about BE CREATIVE Summer Reading Club & related activities: book discussions for 4th & 5th grades, story/craft days, preschool storytimes, evening (Teddy Bear) storytimes, Toddler Playdates, music programs, and a visit from the Lehigh Valley Zoo, phone 610 867-3761 x499 or visit www.bapl.org.

Teen programs: For information about READ GREEN Teen Summer Reading & related activities: book discussions for middle school or high school students, Murder Mystery, and Freecycling Exchange, phone 610 867-3761 x.499 or visit www.bapl.org.

Book Sale: June 18 & 20. Over 10,000 carefully selected books, CDs, videos, and DVDs are arranged by author and subject and available at low prices. The library accepts donations of books and audio visual materials in good condition at the main desk during regular library hours anytime throughout the year. Call 610 867-3761 x259. The book sale web site is www.bestbooksale.org.

Bookmobile Schedule

Hanover Township

Community Center at Jacksonville Road Stonewood Drive & Belaire Road Kevin Drive near Summer Lane Monocacy Drive (Hanover Crossings North) Chesterfield Lane at Lord Byron Greenbriar Drive near Mulberry Toni Lane near Crawford Drive

Monday Monday Monday Monday Thursday Thursday
 Schedule A & B
 3:00-4:00

 Schedule A
 4:05-4:50

 Schedule B
 4:05-4:50

 Schedule A & B
 5:00-5:45

 Schedule A & B
 6:45-8:15

 Schedule A
 4:45-5:45

 Schedule B
 4:45-5:45

 Schedule B
 4:45-5:45

	Schedule	A			Sched	ule B	
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
June 1	June 2	June 3	June 4	June 8	June 9	June 10	June 11
June 15	June 16	June 17	June 18	June 22	June 23	June 24	June 25
June 29	June 30	July 1	July 2	July 6	July 7	July 8	July 9
July 13	July 14	July 15	July 16	July 20	July 21	July 22	July 23
July 27	July 28	July 29	July 30	No bookmobile	service	during	Musikfest .
August 10	August 11	August 12	August 13	August 17	August 18	August 19	August 20
August 24	August 25	August 26	August 27				

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FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

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 or on the Township web site www.hanovertwp-nc.org
- 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.

Alarm System Owner's:

Please remember if you have a **Monitored Alarm System** or **Automatic Protection Device** it must be registered with the Township. (Ordinance 96-1)

Storm Drains:

Please remember it is illegal to dump <u>ANYTHING</u> in a storm drain, i.e.

Drain oil, Anti-Freeze, Paints or Thinners.

Dog or cat feces.

Grass clippings.

Property Owner's

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 should not 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 curb.

Proper clearance for pedestrian's walking on sidewalks has become a problem in some areas. Please remember this can be a <u>liability</u> to you. We recommend 7' clearance.

Remember to remove the weeds along the roadway along your property (front and rear).

Properties with sidewalks should maintain them clear of all debris, grass and weeds from edge to edge.

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

FIRE COMPANY NEWS

New Fire and EMS Apparatus to Arrive this Summer!

We're looking forward to celebrating the arrival of two new units this summer! Two units that have provided faithful service are being replaced with new apparatus. Engine 1511 is being replaced with a new engine,



Ambulance 1581 is being replaced with an Ambulance similar to our existing 1582 unit. More details, and pictures of our new units, will be posted on our web site as they are available. (Information on all our units is available on our web site: www.htvfc.org.)

We truly appreciate your support of our township, and our fire company. Your support is what makes it possible for us to continue to serve you. We hope that you will join us as we celebrate.

Community Events

We've had the pleasure of participating in several community events so far this year, and are looking forward to others scheduled for the summer.

We've provided EMS Standbys for two 5K runs. This entails stationing at least one ambulance at the Community Center, and utilizing our All-Terrain Vehicle (1543) on the course. Should a participant require our assistance, the crew on 1543 provides the initial patient care while the Ambulance responds to their location.

We also participated in the Hanover Township Fair and enjoyed meeting you, and showing you our Fire and EMS units!

Medical Information Sheet

Even under the best circumstances it can sometimes be a challenge to provide detailed information about our medical history. It can be even more difficult during an emergency, and EMS providers rely on this information to provide care during an emergency.

We've created a "Medical Information Form" that you can download from our web site in several formats. You can either print the form, and complete it, or open the form in your word processor, complete, save, and print the form. (This makes it much easier to keep the information up to date!)

You can find the forms here:

http://www.htvfc.org/home/your-family/med-infoforms (Or browse to www.htvfc.org, click on "Your Family", click on "Med Info Forms".)

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR STREET SHADE TREE

Hey, remember me? I'm your faithful street shade tree. I am not like a dog that needs to be walked every day. I am not flashy like a car. I just stand quietly in front of your house providing shade and curb appeal year after year. Just because I am not demanding doesn't mean I don't need attention. How would you like to stand in the hot sun, day after day without a drink of water? Feeling a little thirsty? Well, that is exactly how I feel when you forget to water me. Oh, I'll survive for a little while without water. But then I'll start dropping my leaves and getting weaker. I won't be

able to fight off disease and then I might even die. Did you know that if I die, you are responsible for buying a replacement tree?

You need to get a permit from the township to cut me down and then to plant my replacement. Of course, it will take years for the new tree to grow big enough to shade your house. So, why not just give me a little tender loving care and avoid losing your street shade tree.

Ok, let's get to work. Here's what you have to do. Remove the weeds from the area around my trunk; these compete with me for water. If the soil is dry, wet the soil thoroughly before applying mulch. If there is some mulch already, fluff it up and add enough new mulch so you have 2 to 4 inches to spread evenly from the trunk outwards towards the drip line. This keeps the roots cool and helps the soil stay moist. Now stand back and look at your handiwork. If I look like I am standing in the middle of a volcano, you need to pull the mulch away from my truck and spread it outward towards the drip line. The mulch should never touch my trunk.

Good, we are almost done. Now that we have a way to help the soil stay moist, let's talk about watering. Trees don't care if the water comes from rain or from the end of a hose. A newly planted 2 - 2.5 inch caliper tree needs 20 - 40 gallons of water each time it is watered. It needs water, either from rain or from a hose, every week during the first few growing seasons. You want to wet the root area thoroughly by watering at a slow rate so that it soaks into the ground instead of running off into the street. During extended drought periods, a good soaking is even beneficial to established trees.

So, I would love a few inches of **MULCH** to keep my roots cool and moist and some **WATER** when we hit a dry spell this summer. In exchange for your tender loving care, I will continue to provide shade and curb appeal to your house. I hope you never need to get a **permit** for tree removal and replacement because I died.

Community Sponsors



Pointe North - 610-954-7675



Bethlehem Square• 3926 Linden Street 610-886-1000



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COMPOSTING IN HANOVER TOWNSHIP Where may residents of Hanover Township compost?

All Township residents are invited to use the facility operated by the City of Bethlehem. For a fee of \$15 residents may obtain an identification card at our Municipal Building Monday through Friday 8AM to 4PM. Simply take the card with you to their facility located at the intersection of Schoenersville Road and Eaton Avenue: 1480 Schoenersville Road. The following items are accepted:

- Branches no larger than 4 inches in diameter and 6 feet in length
- ✓ Small Brush
- ✓ Hedge Trimmings
- ✓ Garden Plant Residue

✓ Leaves – loose or in brown paper bags only You may <u>not</u> dispose of GRASS, SOD OR TREE STUMPS.

The facility is open four days each week:

Friday - 9AM to 3PM Saturday - 9AM to 4PM Sunday – 12 noon to 4PM Monday – 9AM to 3PM

The facility is closed Tuesday through Thursday each week. From December 1st through March 1st, weather permitting; the facility closes for the season.

Do you need free compost or wood mulch?

You may obtain this outside the gate of the facility from the concrete storage bunkers. No card is needed. Just bring a shovel and a container—help yourselves! Supply is based on availability.

What can I do with grass clippings?

You can use them on your flower beds for a good source of nitrogen and to help keep moisture on the soil. You can also leave your clippings on your lawn; this does not create thatch. Try a mulching mower!

To find out more about compost or recycling please call Hanover Township at (610) 866-1140 or the City of Bethlehem at (610) 865-7082.

YARD WASTE & LEAF COLLECTION

Through the efforts of Township residents in 2008 we diverted one thousand four hundred and fifty-six (1,456) tons of Leaves and Yard Waste out of land-fills and delivered them to them to the City of Bethlehem Compost Center. This compares to nine hundred and seventy-one (971) tons in 2007. This does not include materials brought to the Compost Center directly by Township resident. Township staff collected two ninety-six (296) tons of yard waste and one thousand one hundred and sixty (1,160) tons of leaves during 2008.

The Township's Yard Waste collection schedule was mailed to all residents in January. If you have misplaced the information it can be found on the website at http://hanovertwp-nc.org/ternstyle/templates/media/ files/Yard_Waste_2009_Schedule.pdf

CURBSIDE RECYCLING 2009

How should you prepare your recyclable materials for curbside collection?

Use the blue bin provided by the Township or a rigid plastic, metal, or fiberglass container with handles with a capacity no greater than 35 gallons and weighing no more than 60 pounds when full. **Make sure it is marked recycling!**

What to place in your bin:

Cans – Aluminum beverage and steel and tin food and beverage cans; empty aerosol containers.

Glass – Clear, green, and brown food and beverage bottles and jars

Plastics - #1 and #2 (PET and HDPE) food and beverage containers and laundry product bottles; the number is usually on the bottom of the bottle within a triangle

Poly-coated cartons – milk and drink boxes

What to place beside your bin:

Newspapers – Newspapers, including all the inserts that come with the newspaper, may be tied in bundles or put into brown paper grocery bags; no higher than 12-inch bundles

Magazines – catalogs and magazines may be tied in bundles or put into brown paper grocery bags; no higher than 12-inch bundles

Cardboard – cut into 2-foot by 2-foot pieces and tied into bundles

Paper –high-grade office paper, mixed office paper, and junk mail may be tied in bundles or put into brown paper grocery bags

REMEMBER: 1) There are items that should NOT be placed into your bin; please only include items from the list above. 2) Our hauler may collect from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM on your scheduled day. Please place your bin at the curb by 7:00 AM on your collection day.

To find out more about recycling, please call Hanover Township at (610) 866-1140.

NINETY-SIX GALLON YARD WASTE CANS

As part of the Department of Environmental Protection Grant that enabled the Township to purchase our Yard Waste Vehicle we have also been able to obtain Ninety-Six Gallon Cans to be used by residents. Through the proceeds of the grant we were able to obtain twelve-hundred and fifty (1,250) barrels that will be distributed free of charge to the first twelve-hundred fifty (1,250) homeowners requesting them. These barrels can be used with the lifts installed on the back of the yard waste vehicle when it was purchased. These barrels will have a serial number on them so residents will be able to keep track of which barrel is theirs.

The barrels will be distributed at the Municipal Garage on Saturday, July 18, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon.

Again, these are available on a first-come first-serve basis. To speed up the delivery of the barrels, please complete the form below and bring it with you on the 18th.

YARD WASTE BARREL

Name:

Address:

Phone number:

Email address:

Serial Number:

(Serial # to be completed by Township Staff)



Drop-Off Event October 10, 2009 9:30 am – 2:00 pm For Residents of Northampton County Northampton County Community College Main Campus Parking Area Brochures Available at the Township Office or the Township Website

E-Cycling Event sponsored by Northampton County

STREET Sweeping

In March and April of 2009 the Township Staff completed their first ever street sweeping program with a Street Sweeper/Vacuum Truck that was purchased in 2008. It took the staff seven (7) weeks to complete the sweeping of all streets in the Township. All main roads will be swept the 2nd week of June as we as the last week in August.

The Township Staff will begin the cleaning of storm sewers this summer. This cleaning is a requirement of the PA Department of Environmental Protection. The process will take three years to complete with the Township broken into three (3) sectors. In 2009 everything north of Crawford Drive will be completed. In 2010 everything between Crawford Drive and Stoke Park Road will be done and in 2011 everything south of Stoke Park Road will be completed.

Starting in the spring of 2010 we will be updating the website to indicate a few days in advance where the street sweeper will be in order for residents to remove their vehicles to allow the entire street to be cleaned.





Sidewalk Snow & Ice Removal Ordinance & Snow Emergency Routes

Updated for 2009 Snow Season

At the February 24, 2009 Board of Supervisors the Board adopted Ordinance 09-04 which updated the



requirement for removal of snow and ice from sidewalks after a snow storm. Effective October 1, 2009 the following is applicable: Responsibilities of property owners. Where

curbs and/or sidewalks have been constructed pursuant to any of the regulations provided herein, the abutting property owner shall be responsible for:

- A. Repair, maintenance and replacement, if necessary, of the curb and/or sidewalk.
- B. Keeping sidewalk clear of dust, debris and leaves.
- C. Clearing sidewalk of snow and ice as hereinafter provided:
 - Within 36 hours of the termination of any fall of snow or accumulation of ice, a path must be cleared through a sidewalk allowing pedestrians to safely pass;
 - (2) Within 48 hours of the termination of the Township's snow removal operations the entire width and length of the sidewalk must be cleared; and
 - (3) If the fall of snow exceeds six (6") inches, or the natural accumulation of ice exceeds one (1") inch, the Township Manager may, by public announcement or other appropriate notice to residents of the Township, set such longer period as may be appropriate for the clearing of said snow.

Additionally the Supervisors adopted the following Ordinance identifying and designating "all streets and roadways" within the Township as <u>Snow Emergency</u> <u>Routes</u> effective October 1, 2009 as follows:

SECTION I: All Township streets are hereby designated as snow emergency routes.

SECTION II: Following the effective date of this Ordinance, it shall be unlawful to park, or allow to be parked any motor vehicle or other vehicle, on any Township street after a snow emergency has been declared by the Township, and until the snow

has stopped falling and the snow has been completely plowed for the full width of the cart way.

SECTION III: The owner of any vehicle found in violation of any sections of this Ordinance shall pay a fine of \$50 for





each violation, if payment is received by the CRPD or the Code Enforcement Officer within five days of the date of the violation, unless a fine in a different amount is specifically set forth herein. If payment is

received after five days but within 10 days of the date of the violation the fine shall be \$75 for each violation. If payment is not received within the ten-day period, the CRPD or Code Enforcement Officer shall file a citation with the District Justice and, upon conviction, the violator shall pay a fine of \$200 plus costs of prosecution.

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2009 EMS Week Celebration

Both Lehigh Valley Hospital Network and St Luke's Hospital & Health Network celebrated EMS Week, May 18th – May 22nd. Their efforts highlight the close partnership between area hospitals and EMS providers. Both hospital networks provided networking opportunities and excellent continuing educational opportunities throughout the week. Our thanks to these organizations for their efforts during the week, and their ongoing partnership with our agency and our community!

Web Site

We update our web site (http://www.htvfc.org) regularly. We hope that it provides a significant amount of useful information for you and your family.

Join Our Team!

Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Company has been providing fire service to the residents of Hanover Township since 1942. Consider serving your family, friends and neighbors by joining us in any of our three services: Fire, Fire Police, or EMS. All required training and equipment is provided. If you are interested in finding out what this service entails, contact us at the station, or stop by during Monday Night Drill.

(http://www.htvfc.org/home/about_htvfc)

Santa Claus Day – Mark Your Calendars!

It will be our pleasure to escort Santa Claus throughout the township to visit with our children and their families on **Saturday, December 12th**. Santa usually has a treat for our four-footed canine friends too!

Go To www.hanovertwp-nc.org for information about Hanover Township

RESIDENTIAL WASTE RECYCLING BILLING 2009



In January each residential property owner received their 2009 Residential Waste & Recycling Bill which had a discount date of March 15, 2009 and a due date of April 15, 2009. Bills that have not been paid received a reminder notice Postcard, May 1st. Please pay your bill as soon as possible to avoid additional fees and charges.

2008 Delinquent Bills

Forty-one home (41) owners who did not pay their 2008 bills after numerous billings and reminders had their properties liened in March of 2009 to collect their fees. The debt must be satisfied prior to a property being sold. Just so you understand the importance of paying your Waste and Recycling Bill, those single family residential properties (original bill \$295.00) liened will need to pay \$654.50 + accumulated interest and \$29.82 collection costs to satisfy the lien. Multifamily residential (original bill \$150.00 (collected via dumpster service)) will need to pay \$495.00 + accumulated interest and \$29.82 collection costs to satisfy the lien. Once the Township receives payment in full the lien will be removed from the property.

Township Officials Attend Annual State Convention

Chairman John Diacogiannis, Supervisors Jack Nagle and Mark Tanczos, Township Manager Jay Finnigan, and Public Works Director Vince Milite attended the 87th Annual State Convention of the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors April 19-22 at the Hershey Lodge.

Close to 5,000 township officials, exhibitors and guests participated in the four-day event.

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

Heading the list of notables who spoke at the convention was Attorney General Tom Corbett. During the convention's business session, delegates adopted resolutions establishing the official policy of the state association. These resolutions will serve as guidelines for the association in pursuing legislation and regulations favorable to townships.

Pennsylvania's 1,456 township's of the second class represent more than one-third of the state's population and make up the largest of the four types of municipal government in commonwealth.

NEW PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR FOR HANOVER TOWNSHIP

The Board of Supervisors have appointed **Vincent G. Milite** Public Works Director for Hanover Township - Northampton County effective May 1, 2009.

Vince was originally hired as a part-time pool employee for the 1982 & 1983 pool seasons. In 1984 he was hired as a summer laborer in the



public department. Impressed by his work ethic during the summer, Jim Sterner offered him full-time employment and he's been with the Township ever since. Vince attended Lehigh County Community College majoring in criminal justice prior to being hired full-time. Progressing through the ranks in January 1994 he was appointed Road Foreman. In 2001 he was given the additional responsibility of Animal Control Officer with the role of Code Enforcement Officer being added in 2004. Since 2005 he has been the Township's Road Superintendent. Most recently, in 2006 Vince assumed his Deputy Emergency Coordinator's position. Always willing to pitch in, Vince is an invaluable part of the Township's Special Events activities, volunteering countless hours.

Vince resides in Hanover Township with his daughters Katie and Allison.

Attention Businesses and Organizations

Township Sponsorships are a great way for your Business or Organization to gain visibility in Hanover Township!

Township Sponsorships include:

- ✗ Your Business name and logo in *Hanoverview* Newsletter − Community Sponsors Page − which reaches every home and business in the township
- ✗ Display of personalized banner
- X Your Business name and logo in printed Township Event Programs

For more information regarding township sponsorships, please call 610.866.1140 or email us at hanover@hanovertwp-nc.org.

PENNSYLVANIA LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Townships

Townships are the oldest form of organized government in the United States, dating back to the 17th century. When the pilgrims first came to America from England, they brought the concept of township with them, and by order of the Mayflower Compact, townships became the first political subdivisions in the new world.

William Penn began establishing townships in Pennsylvania as early as 1682, with about 10 families to each. But as the Industrial Revolution brought more and more development to the Commonwealth, the existence of many townships was jeopardized. As growth intensified around cities and boroughs, developed portions of adjacent townships were annexed into them.

In 1899, the legislature attempted to remedy this problem by providing for two categories of township - first and second class. At that time, all townships with a population density greater than 300 people per square mile were designated as first class townships. This separate classification enabled townships to preserve their character and fiscal integrity, and it gave first class townships greater power when dealing with the impact of growth. It wasn't until the 1930s and 1940s that townships of the second class were granted greater powers in this regard.

The 1899 legislation was later amended to allow for a transition from second to first class township status, and these transition requirements remain the same today. To become a first class township, townships of the second class must have a population density of 300 people per square mile and voters must approve the change of classification in a referendum. However, many townships have chosen to remain second class townships even though they meet the population density requirements to become first class townships.

The 1,456 townships of the second class are the most common form of government in the Commonwealth, *representing more Pennsylvanians than any other form of government*.

Hanover Township operates as a second class township Under the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Second Class Township Code. In townships of the second class, the governing body is typically composed of three supervisors who are elected at large. Two additional supervisors may be elected if approved by the voters in referendum, and all are elected for six-year terms. In November of 1978 the voters of Hanover approved a referendum to increase the number of supervisors to five. Unlike commissioners in first class townships, supervisors may be employed to work for the municipality.

Many townships have a professional manager who is hired by the governing body. The manager is responsible for carrying out the policies and enforcing the ordinances of the governing body, relieving them of the day to day administration.

NO NEED FOR SPEED IN HANOVER

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

MUNICIPAL OFFICES

3630 Jacksonville Road Bethlehem, PA 18017-9302 Phone: 610.866.1140 Fax: 610.758.9116

Website: www.hanovertwp-nc.org Municipal Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday

Important Phone Numbers *dial* 911 *for emergencies*

Operator/General Info	610.866.1140
Permits	610.866.1140, ext 226
Inspections	610.866.1140, ext 229
Community Relations	610.866.1140, ext 230
Administration	610.866.1140, ext 222
Police (non-emergency)	
Waste & Recycling Billings	
Waste & Recycling Billings Sewer Billings	610.866.1140, ext 235
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Sewer Billings	610.866.1140, ext 235 610.866.1140, ext 225 610.866.1140, ext 227

Get involved in <u>YOUR</u> 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 Fall Festival, Tree Lighting and Family Fair. For more information, please contact Margaret Giordano, Community Relations Director, at 610-866-1140.



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Meeting of Boards and Commission

The following is a list of all meetings for the Hanover Township Boards, Committees and Commissions. All meetings are open to the public and are held at the Township Municipal Building, 3630 Jacksonville Road.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: Meetings are held the SECOND and FOURTH TUESDAY of each month, starting at 7:00 p.m.

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, starting at 7:30 p.m.

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

RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD: Meetings are held the SECOND THURSDAY of each month, starting at 7:30 p.m.

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

AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD: Meetings are held the THIRD THURSDAY of each month, starting at 7:30 p.m.

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

CRIME WATCH: Meetings are held the SECOND WEDNESDAY of every other month. Meetings start at 7:30 p.m.