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## CHAIRMAN'S CORNER by Jack Nagle



As I finish almost a half a year as your Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, I realize that the time has gone swiftly and eventfully.

Many things have happened since the beginning of the year. As I may have mentioned in my last letter, the Township has secured a \$7.2MM loan to pay for the pool replacement and water remediation.

As some of you know, water run-off has been a problem in the Hanover Farms and Delta Manor areas. The dips in the road on Stoke Park Road is the current means of moving water from these developments. This project will move the water from the surface to underground piping. Therefore, you will not have flooded roads in the warm months, nor will you have excessive ice on roads in the winter from the current surface water. And of course, the dips on Stoke Park Road will be eliminated. The Township is working with Hanover Engineering to prepare bid specifications by May 31.

The pool project is moving forward and the Township and the Pool Consulting firm are currently working with the DEP to solve water issues to help prevent future sinkholes. Once that is completed, the bid specifications will be released so as to obtain bids. It was hoped that we would be able to start digging this spring/summer, but the process has turned out to be longer than I had originally anticipated.

It has been determined that there will be no new paving projects in 2022 as due to the high prices of oil, the cost of macadam has skyrocketed. The paving bids were over \$100,000 over the budgeted amount. Fortunately, our roads are in excellent condition.

Of course, one of the biggest news items is that our long-time Township Manager has announced his retirement, effective the end of the summer. Township staff is collecting resumes which were Thursday, May 26th A committee of two supervisors and one

appointed citizen will be reviewing the resumes and then setting up interviews for the whole Board of Supervisors and the qualifying individuals. The Board is striving to have a replacement on board by August 1st so that the new person can work in tandem with Jay for a month.

On a further personnel note, we have sadly received and accepted the resignation

of our Recreation Director, Matt DeGeorge. He received a job offer from one of his previous employers with a salary that the Township was unable to match. He will be sorely missed as he had many innovative and insightful ideas for the Community Center to maximize its true potential. He did a fantastic job bringing new vigor and life to the Center after it had been closed for over a year.

Lastly, in April, Manager Jay Finnigan, Zoning Office Yvonne Kutz, Supervisor Jeff Warren, and Assistant Public Works Director Marty Limpar and myself attended the two day Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors Convention in Hershey. We attended many classes concerning such subjects as changes in zoning laws in the Commonwealth, a primer on electric vehicles, changes in road paving techniques, fraud prevention, and media relations. Additionally, we all met with various vendors to keep current on issues that would be relevant to the Township on many other subjects. It was also a time to meet with other township supervisors, public works personnel, zoning officers and managers to share various successes that we could replicate in Hanover.

My thanks go out to the many Township employees and volunteers that contribute every day to make Hanover Township the wonderful place to live, work, and play.

Have a great Summer.

## **Colonial Regional Police Department**

by Chief James DePalma

In 1995, the "powers that be" from Bath Borough, Hanover Township and Lower Nazareth Township saw the need and had the foresight to consolidate police services. And now, in what seems like the blink of an eye, the Colonial Regional Police Department is in its 27th year of existence. What started out on day one as a six (6) officer and one (1) civilian department has grown into



a twenty-five (25) officer and two (2) civilian department. CRPD originally was headquartered in the bottom floor of the Bath Borough municipal building. Although those facilities served us well for 13 years, we eventually outgrew it. In 2008, the CRPD moved into its current facilities on Brodhead Road in Hanover Township. The building was purchased by Hanover and Lower Nazareth. It was renovated to fit our needs. The building is maintained by the townships, and I'm proud to say most visitors comment on how nice our facilities are. We are currently upgrading some of the building's infrastructure with a grant obtained by Hanover Township. CRPD also maintains a fleet of fourteen (14) first line patrol vehicles and seven (7) support vehicles. This year, with the help from a grant obtained by Lower Nazareth Township, we will be replacing four (4) first line patrol vehicles which, combined, have over 500,000 miles on them.

Daniel Spang, a retired Major in the State Police, was our first Chief. He set up the department and hired the original six officers who came from what was the Bath Borough Police Department and the Nazareth Police Department who, at the time, provided police services to Lower Nazareth Township. As the department grew, a rank structure was established, and patrol sergeants' positions were added. Eventually, a Deputy Chief position was added, and that is how it is structured today.

In 2021, the CRPD responded to 8,183 calls for service. These calls ranged from alarms to serious crimes in progress. Since inception, other than during the pandemic, the number of calls for service has increased every year. CRPD also provides services other than responding to complaints. A crime watch program, which allows citizens to help keep their neighborhoods safe by being our eyes and ears, is currently being established in both townships. Annually, we host a citizen's police academy. For approxi-

mately 12 weeks, you can interact with our officers participating in everything from a visit to the Northampton County 911 Emergency Center to attending a mock trial. Check our website for details if you have an interest in attending this year's academy. For the past 15 years, CRPD has hosted a "Shop with Cops" program where, during the holiday season, officers take children from the community to lunch and Christmas shopping for themselves and their families. We recently held our fifth "Coffee with a Cop" in both townships. This event offers the citizens an opportunity to meet members of the police department, have a cup of coffee, and talk to an officer about whatever comes to mind.

One of the benefits of regionalization is the ability for officers to specialize in specific fields. Officers receive extensive initial training and periodic refresher training for their specializations. CRPD currently has two Detectives and one Detective Sergeant. They are assigned the investigations that are more in depth and time consuming. They also assist patrols in processing crime scenes. In 1998, the department began it K9 program with Sgt Wendling as our first K9 officer. In 2011 we added a second K9 officer. Officers and their K9s go through 12 weeks of initial training and then train monthly with other K9 Officers. CRPD currently has two Motor Carrier Enforcement Officers. These officers are certified by the state to inspect commercial motor vehicles. After an initial 3-week training program, they attend a one-day annual training and update class.

CRPD is involved in several county task forces. The Lehigh Valley DUI Task Force assists us in conducting check points and roving patrols within our jurisdiction to deter and to detect impaired drivers, whether they're impaired by alcohol or drugs. This task force also allows us to conduct additional patrols to educate the public and issue citations for seatbelt and aggressive driving violations. CRPD has been a member of the Northampton County Drug Task Force since the department's inception in 1995. Currently, 18 CRPD Officers are rostered with the Drug Task Force on an as needed parttime basis and have maintained a supervisory role in the task force. The task force targets drug traffickers within our communities to make it a safer place to live and work. CRPD has been actively involved with investigating human trafficking cases since 2010. The CRPD jurisdiction has eight (8) hotels, four (4) of which are in Hanover Township. CRPD routinely conducts investigations with the Philadelphia Division of the FBI's Child Exploitation Task Force, along with other local police departments, county agencies and non-profit organizations. CRPD targets the sex buyers and traffickers and finds assistance for those being trafficked. CRPD maintains its continuing efforts in recovering those that are trafficked and getting them assistance.

#### **Colonial Regional Police Department** continued

In 2006, CRPD became the first state accredited regional police department. The Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association accreditation program is a progressive way of helping police departments evaluate and improve their overall performance. The program consists of approximately 139 standards in which the department must maintain compliance. Every three years the department is reevaluated and must show proof of compliance to achieve re-accreditation. Having achieved its fifth re-accreditation in 2021, CRPD is now a premier status accredited agency. Only 21% of all police departments in the Commonwealth of PA are accredited, and of those, only 2% have achieved premier status.

Officers and civilian personnel of this department appreciate the support we have received over the years from Hanover and Lower Nazareth and from the citizens we are sworn to protect. The dedication and professionalism of all our officers is a testament to the leadership exhibited by our Board of Commissioners and the supervisors of the townships we serve.

## 2022 CRPD Citizen's Police Academy

August 31, 2022 - November 9, 2022

The Citizen's Police Academy is an eleven (11) week program designed to familiarize citizens about the day-to-day operations of our police department and the agencies that support them. Classes are once a week on Wednesday evenings. Classes include Crime Scene Investigations, K9 Demonstrations, a Mock Trial and more. Tours are also conducted at the Northampton County 911 Center and the Northampton County Coroner's Office.

Participants must be 18 years of age or older.

Application Deadline is August 5, 2022.

Class size is limited.

To ensure a spot, please
apply as soon as possible.

Applications are available at www.colonialregionalpd.org or contact CRPD at phone (610) 861-4820 or info@colonialregionalpd.org.

## **Hanover Township Crime Watch**

Hanover Township in conjunction with the Colonial Regional Police Department is looking for volunteers to re-establish the Neighborhood Crime Watch Program within the Township. Their first meeting was held on March 31, 2022 @ 7 PM at the Hanover



Township Community Center. There was a wonderful turn out - Thank you to all who came and signed up.

If you are interested in becoming a neighborhood watch liaison, captain, or volunteer, please attend upcoming meetings or by contacting Sgt. Kulp @ Hanover-crimewatch@colonialregionalpd.org





## LITTLE LIBRARY & FLAG DROP OFF BOX

Located near the municipal building is the relocated Little Library Box. Feel free to take and drop off books for your neighbors and friends. The library box was donated by Guardian Life Insurance – IL LOMA Society and relocated to its current location after vandals damaged it twice.

Right next to it is our newly acquired flag drop off box. US and flags of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania can be dropped off for proper disposal. Boy

Scouts customarily retire discarded flags during the Patriots Day Program in September.

The Township has two other Little Library Boxes. One is located at Westgate Park and the other at the end of the pathway on Harriet Lane.



## LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

## It Has Been My Absolute Honor to Represent You

by State Senator Mario M. Scavello, 40th Senatorial District, Northampton & Monroe Counties



In February, the Legislative Reapportionment Commission (LRC) voted on and adopted the Final Reapportionment Plan for the Pennsylvania House of Representatives and Pennsylvania Senate. The Constitution of Pennsylvania requires that the legislative districts for the House of Representatives and the State Senate be redrawn each decade following the Census. This pro-

cess is mandated by the Pennsylvania Constitution so that each citizen's vote ultimately carries the same weight at the ballot box.

Article 2, Section 17 of the Pennsylvania Constitution provides for the LRC to redistrict both chambers (the state Senate and the state House) in the year following the Federal decennial census. The Commission consists of five members: the four caucus floor leaders, or deputies appointed by each of them, and a chairman to be selected by those members or if they cannot reach an agreement, by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court.

As approved the new map for the 40th Senate District will no longer include Hanover Township. This decision was not mine as the new district maps are voted on solely by the five-member LRC. Under the approved plan, Hanover Township will fall in the 14th Senate District and split partially in the 137th House District (District 5), and partially in the 135th House District (Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6). The 14th Senate District is currently represented by Senator John Yudichak. The 137th House District is currently represented by State Representative Joe Emrick. The 135th House District is currently represented by State Representative Steve Samuelson. All three seats will be on the ballot this year.

So, what does this all mean in the end?

Regrettably, it means that after the November election I will no longer be your State Senator. It has been my absolute pleasure and honor to represent the residents of Hanover Township in the senate for these past two terms. I have enjoyed getting to know the people, township supervisors, and the area.

#### **Bringing Good News to the Community**

by Ann Flood, 138th Legislative District



This year has been successful for our community, and I am happy to pass along some positive news for the citizens of the district. The first announcement is a program my district office staff offers for veterans of the district and the second is news about

funding within the district.

I am pleased to offer a program specially designed for veterans of the district. My district office staff and I are offering a monthly, in-person assistance program for area veterans and their families at my district office in Wind Gap on the second Wednesday of each month.

An American Legion service officer will be available to discuss benefits and help file claims. Those interested in scheduling an appointment should call the district office at 610-746-2100. Our office is located at 196 W. Moorestown Road. Veterans in our area are highly encouraged to take advantage of this free service. They deserve to receive all the benefits coming to them and we are pleased to assist them in that process.

I am also pleased to pass along that Northampton Community College has received \$500,000 in state funding for a construction project that will enrich learning experiences for students.

The community college received this funding through Pennsylvania's Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP). The grant will go to toward construction of the East 40 Experiential Learning Center, which will be a resource for all NCC disciplines, including the new Food Studies and Food Science programs. The purpose for this building is to enrich place-based, experiential learning opportunities for NCC students and the wider community with hands-on examples and projects.

Investing and advocating for students who choose to go into trade programs rather than pursue a four-year degree is so important and is a crucial reason that I worked tirelessly in Harrisburg to secure funding for this project.

## Spotted Lanternflies: Trap them early before they harm your trees

You may have noticed the spotted lanternfly invasion seemed to slow last year. Don't be fooled; that's no indication what this year might bring. If you care about your trees, now is the time to set your traps to catch spotted lanternflies in the nymph stage before they grow full blown ready to weaken that beautiful maple or other ornamental tree you love.

## Use circle traps, not sticky bands.

Penn State Extension Horticulture Educator Emelie Swackhamer says, "Circle traps are favored over the use of 'sticky' bands on trees because adhesive material is not selective and can capture other animals, including pollinators such as bees and butterflies, birds, squirrels and other species. A circle trap wraps around the tree trunk to catch nymphs as they crawl up the trunk to feed higher on the tree. It guides them through a funnel into a plastic bag or other container at the Traps are easy to install, and they can capture large numbers of nymphs. Traps are most effective during 'nymph season,' which is April through July. While adults







Photographs by Gregory Cook

also can be captured by tree traps, they may avoid the traps, resulting in less effectiveness later in the season." You may need two traps to wrap around the entire tree trunk.

#### How to make a circle trap

https://extension.psu.edu/how-to-build-a-new-style-spotted-lanternfly-circle-trap

#### **BEFORE HIRING A CONTRACTOR**

#### Guidance from our Zoning Officer Yvonne Kutz

Not every contractor is a bad apple. Fortunately, the good contractors outnumber the bad ones that are lurking around. Look for "red flags" before the job starts, be wary of "cash deals" and remember scam rhymes with scram; a bad contractor doesn't stick around to finish the job or not even start the job after taking your money.



Before hiring a contractor do your homework!

- Research, Research.
- Request a Certificate of Insurance (Liability and Workers' Compensation)
- Obtain their PA Home Improvement Contractor (HIC) Registration Number.
- Verify their HIC registration is valid. Visit the Attorney General's website. https://hicsearch.attorneygeneral.gov/
- Get everything in writing including cleanup.
- Be very clear about what you want.
- Have a budget and an emergency fund.
- Ask for references.

Keep in mind the Township does not handle contractor fraud, breach of contract, homeowner's warranty, etc.

If you believe you are a victim of contractor fraud you need to contact:

- The Office of Attorney General's Bureau of Consumer protection. Home Improvement Registration Hotline https://www.attorneygeneral.gov/submit-a-complaint/
- And/or contact a private attorney.

#### It Has Been My Absolute Honor to Represent You continued

However, rest assured that until the end of November, I and my staff will remain here to serve you in any way we can. My Pen Argyl district office will remain open, and we will continue to offer the same high-quality legislative service that we always have. If you have an issue, would like to give me feedback, or offer an opinion, please do not hesitate to reach out. My office's contact information is at the end of this article.

If you have questions about legislation or any other state-related issue, please do not hesitate to contact me at 610-863-1200 or mscavello@pasen.gov. My office remains in Pen Argyl Borough at 2 N. Robinson Ave, Pen Argyl PA 18072, right on the corner of N Robinson and State Route 512. We remain here to fight for and to serve the good people of Hanover Township. Please let me know if we can assist you in any way!



## **Hanover Township Community Center**

Recreation Director: TBD • assistantrecdirector@hanovertwp-cc.org

#### Mark Your Calendar:

Summer 1 begins	Tuesday May 31st
4th of July Celebration	Saturday July 2nd
Summer Camp Program begins	June 20th
Summer Parks Program begins	August 1st

### **Hanover Township Community Center Update**

HTCC is committed to helping our members and partners take necessary steps to help prevent the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic in the parks and public spaces we manage, and make well-informed decisions on adaptive and emergency operations.

HTCC urges its members to frequently refer to and follow the recommendations issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as guidance is continually updated as additional information becomes available for re-opening and restarting of the Community Center and programming within the Community Center.

### **Current HTCC Summer 1 Programming**

#### **Summer 1 Programming**

Recreation — Arts & Crafts, Youth and Adult Martial Arts

Sports — Junior and Adult Tennis Clinic, Pickleball, Open Gym Volleyball, beginner golf lessons (summer 2 programming)

Fitness — Yoga, Core Yoga, Silver Sneakers Classic, Silver Sneakers Chair Yoga, Spin Class, Low Level Weights, Step Aerobics, Zumba, H.I.I.T., H.I.I.T. Dance Fitness, & Ball, Bands, and Barre

Please visit hanovercommunitycenter.com for more information or to register for our Recreation/Sport classes.

Members of HTCC can register for all fitness classes at the front desk of the community center or by calling our front desk at 610-317-8701.

**TOPS Club, Inc.** was established in 1948. We are an international organization. The primary purpose of TOPS Club is to help our members Take Off pounds Sensibly and to Keep Off Pounds Sensibly. We provide private weigh ins, accountability, a bi-monthly magazine, and informative programs that promote healthy living as well as sensible weight management tools.

TOPS meet weekly, Thursday evenings in the red room of HTCC. Weigh in is from 6:30 to 6:55 followed by the meeting at 7:00 to 7:45. Membership is just \$32.00 per year plus tax, (\$33.92). Dues are \$2.00 per week to our chapter.

Programs provide positive reinforcement and motivation to help adhere to our food exchange program or your choice of weight loss program. We encourage exercise programs and often have contests with cash awards. We host guest speakers trained in nutrition, exercise science and healthy lifestyles several times a year.

For more information about TOPS Club organization visit their web site at <a href="www.tops.org">www.tops.org</a> or call 800-932-8677. You may stop in to visit during our meeting or call Margaret at 610-882-0660 and leave a message with a return phone number.







### Pickleball & Volleyball Success at HTCC!

#### Pickleball

NOW OFFERING OUTDOOR PICKLEBALL! Courts located at Municipal Tract and Pharo Park!

Our Pickleball program is stronger than ever. Pickleball players are playing 5 days a week at HTCC. Open Court Play is from 12:30 PM – 2:30 PM Monday – Friday and is broken down each day by skill level.

Monday and Thursdays are set for Advanced Beginners/Low Intermediate players.

Tuesday's are our instructional clinic days and Beginner day for Open Court Play

Wednesday and Friday are for our High Intermediate and Advanced players.

Pickleball has spread like a wildfire here at HTCC and it is a beautiful thing. Pre-registration is mandatory and the max number of players per day is 16-20.

Call in or stop into the wonderful HTCC front desk for more information!

#### Volleyball

Our Open Gym Volleyball program is off to a great start to the new year. In our last few open gyms, we have had anywhere from 40-50 people stopping into the HTCC gym for some fun recreational volleyball. HTCC plans to offer a few youth instructional clinics on Saturday February  $19^{th}$  as well as Saturday February  $26^{th}$  from 8:15 AM -9:45 AM here at the HTCC gymnasium. Open gym Volleyball for adults is every

#### **Special Events Committee**

Our Special Events Committee has been formed totaling five members. We are looking to expand upon our events and create new events. We are excited as we gear up for the 4th of July Celebration being held on Saturday, July 2

The Easter Egg Hunt and Breakfast with Bunny were a huge success! Thank you to all who stopped by! We hope your kids enjoyed the day, and we are looking forward to another successful Easter event next spring!

HTCC is also accepting volunteers to speak at our 'Patriot Day' ceremony for September 11th. The speaker must be a witness during the 9/11/2001 attacks on the World Trade Center.





#### MARLOW & MORROW REAL ESTATE TEAM



"Your Hanover Township Real Estate Team"
Call Linda 610-694-9343 or Tara 610-730-9060
Keller Williams Real Estate







HanoverView Animal Hospital 484-281-8080







## **HTCC Updates!**

Due to the shut-down in 2020, because of the pandemic, two popular programs were unfortunately canceled temporarily. We are excited to announce we are working on returning Field Hockey for Fall of 2022!

#### FIELD HOCKEY

Registration is open for Fall Youth Field Hockey season! We are looking to field a 2nd-4th grade team and a 5th-6th grade team. Practices will most likely occur 2-3 times a week, with 7-8 games being played throughout the season! Season will begin last week of August and run through middle of Oct. Registration is \$60 and will be open through the end of June!

#### **CONCESSION STAND RETURNS**

We now offer water, soda, and chips for sale throughout the day at our concession stand! Stop by the front desk and ask an employee to assist you! More items to come in the future!

#### **AMAZING ATHLETES**

Please join our 'Amazing Athletes' program at HTCC. Tuesdays and Friday time(s) vary for ages 2-6!!

Your children will learn a bunch of skills including: motor skill development, socialization and interacting with other children in a teamwork friendly environment.

Inquire at HTCC or contact Amazing Athletes of the Lehigh Valley for sign-ups.

## **Preschool Returns!**

HTCC is happy to announce the hiring of Lisa Outcalt as the HTCC Preschool Director! Preschool will be offered for 3s, 4s, and 5s (pre-k) as well as 3-5 Year Old Summer Recreation Camps. Registration is open for both summer programs and preschool. Stop in, call (610) 317-8701, or email preschooldirector@hanovertwp-cc.org for more information!

We are also offering family story time sessions and free babysitting Mondays and Wednesdays from 9am-11am! Come get your workout in and take advantage of the free babysitting!





## **Eagle Scouts**

#### **Fire Pits**

We have 2 installations that will be happening. Two firepits by the Lions Pavilion will be installed by local Eagle Scouts as part of their Eagle Scout Project.

#### **Bocce Ball**

It is under negotiation and we are working on finalizing getting 1 bocce ball court built within the pool area to be used once the pool opens!

Thank you to all our sponsors for a wonderful 1st Annual Golf Tournament! It was a great turnout for our first time, and we look forward to hosting you in our second annual tournament! (Date to be determined, so please check back!)

### **NOW HIRING!**

HTCC is hiring for ALL positions including front desk staff (all shifts), fitness instructors, and sports instructors! Please stop into the community center, call, or email assistantrecdirector@hanovertwp-cc.org

## Outdoor Park Safety & Etiquette





## SUPERVISORS ARTICLES

#### American Rescue Plan Funds Offer a Post-Pandemic Silver Lining by Bridging the Funding Gap for Stormwater Upgrades Within the Township

by Supervisor Susan Lawless



Recent research conducted by Penn State University predicts that catastrophic flooding events, or severe hydrological cycles, will become more frequent over the next 20 to 50 years, thereby taxing or inundating local stormwater management systems. The study and various municipal planning organizations are urging local municipalities to begin

planning for and implementing systems to address this looming problem.

Our Township's leadership has long prided itself on longterm planning. Because of the Township's unique geology that lends itself to the formation of sinkholes, management stormwater has always been a high priority. The first regulations pertaining to stormwater in our state were passed in 1977 and 1978, including the Pennsylvania Storm Water Management Act of 1978 or Act 167. These planning regulations were passed after the State experienced disastrous flooding and recognized the impact that development has on stormwater. As our Township was growing at that time, the Township's Supervisors tasked the Township's engineers with developing a plan to address development, growth and its impact upon stormwater throughout the Township in keeping with the regulations. By and large, that plan, first published in 1987, has been implemented and revised in several phases over the past many decades. Interestingly, when the Township was in a higher growth period, development and developer fees were used to implement and fund, in part, the overall stormwater plan.

One need not be an engineer or meteorologist to see that the local detention basins and swales created from that 1987 plan and since enacted ordinances and DEP regulations have been tested to the max. In late July 2020, the Township experienced torrential rains associated with Tropical Storm Isaias. One of the hardest hit locations was the neighborhoods known as Hanover Farms in the western section of the Township, particularly along Stoke Park Road near Chaucer Lane and Lord Byron Drive. Importantly, this area had been built out or developed before the first plan was issued in 1987. That this location would require installation of a stormwater system was not a surprise. The Board had been

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#### Camp is Back In Hanover

by Supervisor Jeff Warren



The summer is here! For most of us, we look back on the seemingly endless, carefree summer days of our childhood with fondness and joy. However, as we know, times are certainly changing. Some have mixed feelings about this season. How will we manage childcare while working? How can we avoid

the "I'm bored!" comments? Can we get our youth away from smart devices and TV screens? Here at Hanover Township, we can help!

As the weather gets warmer, and we look toward this coming summer, I'm thrilled that the township through our recreational programming is able to provide a tremendous amount of summer activities for our youth and families.

This summer, the Hanover Township Community Center (HTCC) will be offering the following:

**Preschool Camp (Ages 3-5)** – HTCC's Preschool Camp is back for the summer beginning June 27th! This is a great way to get kids involved before their trip to our full-time preschool beginning in Fall of 2022.

**Summer Camp (Ages 6-12)** – The Summer Camp is back for Summer 2022. The township will have different themes for each week: Arts & Crafts, Basketball, All Sports and Soccer. These camps are offered half-day or full-day. This 6 weeks of fun starts June 27th.

**Parks Camp** – The Parks Camp program is back for three weeks only this summer at the following locations: Macada Park, Municipal Tract Park, Pharo Park, and Crawford Park. This camp will run from August 1st to August 19th. The township truly looks forward to having free play for the kids.

In a world full of technology, we know that sedentary-related conditions are on the rise. While some extra creativity to get your kids active and limit screen time at home during the summer is often required by parents and guardians, summer camp within the township is a perfect solution. Our township and staff take great pride in offering these activities to our youth and families.

Learning about themselves and the world outside of the traditional environments they are used to can do wonders for youth growth and development. Our camps will inevitably provide that to our collective youth as well as the value of community.

#### AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN continued

placing funds in reserve to address it, though in the absence of widespread development and competing infrastructure demands, those funds built-up much more slowly.

Largely in response to the Isaias event, the Supervisors formally set aside funds in the budget to allow Hanover Engineering, the author of the original 1987 plan, to review stormwater issues and infrastructure throughout the Township and, thereafter, make recommendations to address those problems. That report was issued in May 2021 and identified seven projects.

By the time Isaias hit the Township and certainly by the time the report dropped, the country's "infrastructure" had already been a frequent topic in both news and election cycles for several years. Although a national infrastructure deal has yet to be passed by either party, in 2021, the Township received over \$500,000 in American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA") funds. The Township is slated to receive the second allotment in the same amount in July 2022. Although ARPA funds cannot be used to repair certain infrastructure, such as roads and bridges, the funds may be used to implement and upgrade stormwater and sewer systems. By coupling funds which had already been set aside in reserve with a portion of the ARPA funds, the Township is now positioned to proceed to upgrade stormwater management systems in the Delta Manor and Hanover Farms neighborhoods.

The Board of Supervisors has approved Hanover Engineer-ing's concept plan which essentially places stormwater piping underground that will collect stormwater from inlets placed at key locations and convey that water to system already in place south of Stoke Park Road. The plan also includes the installation of traditional vertical curbing to direct water to those inlets. The idea is to get the water into the underground pipes before it can pool or collect on streets and other surfaces. The work addresses two of the seven projects identified by Hanover Engineering and is the costliest of the projects. It will have a large, positive impact, however, once completed. It will involve Harmor Lane, Lord Byron Drive up to Quincy Lane, a portion of Stoke Park Road, a portion of Chaucer Lane, Browning Lane, Chesterfield Lane, Chippendale Circle, Mark Twain Circle and Stephen Crane Lane. While the plans still require additional engineering, an in-depth review by the Township Manager and Director of Public Works as well as the City of Bethlehem, every effort is being made to have this project done in 2022. The project is one that can be completed in four (4) to six (6) months.

Of course, any project of this complexity may hit delays, especially once the contractors start digging. Additionally, it is not possible to predict what, if any, supply chain issues may be encountered regarding vital products such as precast pipe and other conduit. The Township remains optimistic not only that this project will be completed in 2022 but also that the Township can begin planning for the other projects identified in the May 2021 study.

### **Spring 2022** by County Executive Lammont McClure

May is a delightful month with the arrival of birds and butterflies and the blooms on the flowers and trees. It's also a month where many of our residents visit our County parks to exercise, plant vegetables in the community gardens or just watch the wildlife. One of the lessons we learned from the pandemic is the value of our



parks, trails and open space. During lockdowns, many people turned to the outdoors for both physical exercise and mental relaxation.

For that reason, and many others, I've prioritized our farmland preservation program and the purchase of open space and parkland. The County's 2022 budget invests \$1 million in preserving farmland and \$3 million for open space. We are on our way to celebrating the preservation of our 250th farm and 20,000 acres of farmland.

In 2021, the Lehigh Valley ranked 8th in economic growth nationwide in areas with a population between 200,000 and 1 million. While it is better to have an economic boom than a bust, growth does come with consequences such as increased traffic and a rise in stress. If we're going to preserve our agricultural heritage, waterways for fishing and parks for recreating, we need to do it now.

In the last four years we've purchased land to link our trail systems and added 3 new county parks: Hexenkopf Rock in Williams Township, Little Martins Preserve in Lower Mount Bethel and the Spengler Preserve in East Allen. Our list of parks now stands at 21—an extraordinary number for a county our size. Not all of the new acquisitions are ready to receive visitors with parking lots and trailheads, but plans are underway so your children and grandchildren will have places to relax and enjoy with their families when they reach our age.

# DOG LICENCES... IT'S THE LAW



State law requires all dogs over 3 months of age to be licensed. Owners of unlicensed dogs are subject to fines up to \$300.00. Licenses are valid for the county in which the owner resides. Applications are available online at www.northamptoncounty.org. Dog licenses may also be purchased online at www.padoglicense.com. For more information contact Northampton County Courthouse Revenue Office; 2nd floor Room 2132; 669 Washington Street, Easton, PA 18042-7484 or call 610-829-6186 option 6.

### HANOVER TOWNSHIP VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

WE WANT & NEED YOU! ● by Fire Chief Scotty VanWhy



Have you ever been sitting at home or driving through the Township and heard or seen a fire truck with its light and sirens blaring?? I bet you questioned yourself as to where they might be going or what was going on. Did you know that in Hanover Township ALL the firefighters are 100% volunteers! These men and women put their blood, sweat and tears into ensuring the residents and businesses of our Township and surrounding Townships are protected. We

are calling on you our residences to help us out. We need manpower for numerous positions (see list below). All of the training is provided as well as all the equipment at no cost to you! I encourage you to stop by our station on a Monday evening 6:30-9 to ask questions or call our station @ 610.867.2103, x114.



Firefighter Age 14 & Up; Rescue Personnel; EMT; Apparatus Driver; Photographer; Fire Police;

Administrative Positions; Fundraising Help; Grant Writing & Social Media













#### FIRE COMPANY NEWS

#### **FUND DRIVE**

Our Annual Fund Drive letter was mailed out in May. We depend on your gracious donations to help us support our great Company throughout the year. Your donations help us purchase equipment, maintain our vehicles, and cover workers compensation insurance and other costs associated with the operations of our Fire Company. We need your help so we can be there when you need our help.

## EMERGENCY RESPONDERS NEEDED HELP US HELP YOU.... COME JOIN OUR TEAM

Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Company is always in need of volunteers to serve in many different aspects of our organization. There are different divisions within our company: **Administrative positions**, Firefighting, Fire Police, or EMS. All required training and equipment provided at no cost. If you are interested in exploring how you can help serve your community, contact us at the station 610-867-2103.

Visit our website: www.htvfc.org

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https://www.facebook.com/HTVFCPA

#### SCOTT MILHAM RECOGNIZED

On Tuesday evening, May 17, 2022, the Hanover Township Volunteer Fire Company recognized Scott Milham for his twenty-six years of service with their organization and to the community. Scott was presented a plaque by Fire Chief Scott VanWhy recognizing his seven and half years as Fire Chief; five years as Fire Marshal, and



five years as Fire Police Captain. Scott achieved Life Membership status with the fire company in 2015.

Scott and his wife Kim have purchased a home on the eastern shore of Maryland and sometime in the second quarter of 2022 will be relocating there. Scott indicated the plaque will be a great addition to "his man cave".

Scott was joined by his wife Kim and son Andrew. Supervisor Chairman Nagle, Vice Chairman Prendeville, Supervisor Diacogiannis and Township Manager Finnigan represented the Township.

#### **EMS CORNER**

by Karen Peters, EMS Director



## THINKING ABOUT A CAREER IN HEALTHCARE OR WANT TO HELP PEOPLE?

Becoming an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) is a great way to get involved in the healthcare profession and now the demand for EMT's is at an all time high. EMT's can advance their training to become a paramedic, nurse, or other healthcare professions.

EMTs are trained to perform general patient assessments and provide emergency care including:

- Bleeding control
- Spinal immobilization
- Oxygen administration
- AED usage
- Immobilization procedures
- Airway management
- Assist in the administration of certain medications
- CPR

High School students can enroll in Northampton Community College dual enrollment program to take the EMT course. You can earn transferable college credits towards a future degree while in high school. Visit www.northampton.edu and click on dual enrollment.

#### **HOW TO BECOME AN EMT**

You must be at least 16 years old. Course information can be found at www.northampton.edu/ems There are day, evening and summer classes available.

If you join our Company as a volunteer the EMT course is **FREE OF CHARGE**.

Stop by our station or contact kpeters@htvfc.org to learn more about this rewarding and exciting opportunity.





Happy Spring to all!! Our Hanover Hawks started 2022 off strong and are ending this school year even stronger!! We had the Bookfair, watched our students show casing their skills in the Talent Show and 5th grade went to Nitschmann Middle School to visit their new school for next year. Thank you to Dr. Mayes and his staff for welcoming our students. The annual Hawk Walk was a lot of fun and made for a very successful event. Our 1st graders demonstrated their knowledge with their Penguin Presentations – great job everyone! Thanks to two grants awarded to the school, we were able to purchase and set up an outdoor classroom - how exciting! As we head toward the finish line we still have so many fun and thrilling things to do. Each grade has the opportunity to go on a field trip once again!! The kids are really looking forward them. 5th grade is also looking forward to participating in the District Wide Track and Field Meet.

What's that you hear?? If you just happen to be driving or walking near the school before or after school, you just might hear musical notes coming from the building. Students are working really hard rehearsing for the performance of Frozen, our Spring Band Concert and the district wide All-City Orchestra. We are still hoping to be able to have the 4th grade Science Fair. To all of our graduating 5th graders, remember you will always be a Hanover Hawk. We wish each and every one of you great success in all your future endeavors! Continue to show what it means to be a Hawk - High achieving, Always leading, Working together, Kind hearted students. As the year comes to an end, we need to take a moment to show our gratitude. We could not have done all the events and happenings if it were not for the amazing staff, outstanding parents and continued support from our community.

Enjoy the summer everyone and we look forward to all the new and exciting things to come next school year!!!

### **Adam S. Wenrich — Eagle Scout**

On September 28, 2021, Adam Wenrich was awarded his Eagle Scout. Adam is a member of Troop 302 – First Presbyterian Church, Bethlehem, PA. An Eagle Court of Honor was held in his honor on May 1, 2022. For his Eagle Project, Adam modified and improved the outdoor pavilion at Advent Moravian Church. Adam and his team repurposed 2, 20-foot picnic tables with 6, 5-foot picnic tables; replaced the 6 supporting posts holding up the roof (after discovering that the posts had been severely damaged

by carpenter ants); and replaced the dirt and stone floor with a 20x20 foot concrete slab.

Adam has held leadership positions in Troop 302 including Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Troop Guide & Patrol Leader.

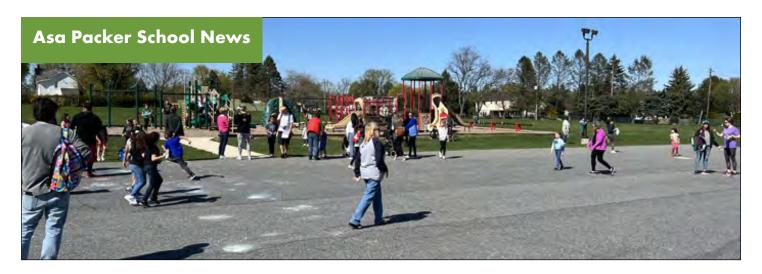


While attending Liberty High School Adam was a member of the Grenadier Band and was a volunteer/assistant coach for Greater Bethlehem Soccer League.

Adam plans on attending Alvernia University in Fall 2022 to study finance.

Adam is the son of Sylvan & Cindy Wenrich. He has two siblings Clair Wenrich & Will Updegrove.





We hope everyone is shaking off the cobwebs and getting some much needed outside time this spring. It has brought lots of new and fresh energy to the Asa Packer community.

Thankfully some of our older, classic activities have finally returned for the students. After a two-year hiatus, the chicken hatching program for 4th graders, Welcoming Day for new students joining us in 2022/23, and the vegetable garden training program sponsored by the Kellyn Foundation all returned! We're also excited to report that field trips are back on the schedule! SteelStacks, Jacobsburg Park, the 69 News Weather station and a historic trip to downtown Bethlehem were just some of the tours enjoyed by the students. 5th graders had the opportunity to experience being a student at Nitschmann and participate in the big BASD Track & Field Day held at Frank Banko Field.

In addition to some of our annual favorites, we've brought some new traditions and activities into the mix this spring. Two Puma playdates were held at the playground after school where parents and families could meet for some outdoor fun, art and games. To honor Earth Day, the Puma party had an earth day scavenger hunt with the kids earning spring themed prizes like flower seeds, star-shaped recycled crayons, bookmarks & pencils when they successfully completed the fun hunt around the school property. There was a crafts table, cornhole, hopscotch, jump ropes, hula hoops, basketball & other games to keep all ages entertained. It was refreshing to see kids and parents socializing outdoors and rebuilding the community bond.

Two more Appreciation stations were rolled out to our wonderful teachers as a gesture of thanks for all the great work and support they give our kids.

Our Student Lighthouse Committee continued their great work of giving back locally by organizing two events, one to support the Lehigh County Humane Society SPCA and the other to gather items for Chemobags which will be distributed to the men and women in Lehigh Valley undergoing Chemotherapy treatments.

The Patio party returned with gusto thanks to diligent planning and our sponsors:

Lighthouse Abstract, PJ Whelihans, State Farm Elliot Tracey, D3 lawncare, Pats Pizza & Bistro, Buckno Lisicky & company, Martellucci's Pizzeria & Christmas City landscaping.

There were bounce houses galore, food, games, music & phenomenal raffle awards, making it a memorable way to close out the school year activities.

Some additional highlights included:

- Arts smart Assembly with LVHN.
- Dr. DeLeo, Emeritus Professor of Physics from Lehigh University, visited the kids and departed some interesting science knowledge.
- The Lehigh Men's Basketball team came to work with the 1st and 2nd graders and put the kids through some energetic basketball drills that added a welcome change to the school day.
- Lehigh Valley Community Canvas visited 5th grade to help teach children about taking care of their minds and bodies.
- The APTV crew continue to meet throughout spring and make factual and fun clips that are aired on the TV in the school foyer.
- Liberty Drama Club visited and gave a brief performance of some of the more memorable songs from their successful "Sound of Music" play.
- 12 young artists represented Asa Packers' creativity at the BASD Student Art Exhibition at the Rotunda Gallery in April.
- Two new basketball hoops were purchased by the PTA and are awaiting installation in the playground.
- All teachers were able to purchase alternative seating and sensory items to enhance the student's classroom experience.
- BASD band concert at Northeast Middle school which amalgamated all musicians from the elementary schools including Asa Packer students.

# FYI

## 30-YEAR VOLUNTEER, JOAN WITIAK, HONORED

Supervisors John Diacogiannis and Susan Lawless, as well as Public Works Director Vincent Milite, Zoning Officer Yvonne Kutz, and Joan's husband, Dr. Gene Witiak, were on hand Sunday, May 1, 2022, to honor Joan Witiak's more than 30 years of service to the Township as a founder and Chair of the Shade Tree Commission. A bench and oak tree were dedicated in her honor. Pictured with Mrs. Witiak are the current members of the Commission: Chairman Gamini Vedage, Blair Bates, Jane Cook, Mary Kay Brezinsky, and Marianne Rivera. Another member, Mary Ellen O'Connell was unable to attend but sent her well wishes. A special thank you is in order to the Public Works Department for the placement and installation of the bench and tree.







## STAY INFORMED: VISIT OUR WEBSITE & FACEBOOK PAGE



Our website, www.hanovertwp-nc.org, keeps residents informed on programs and events in the Township. The home page contains important announcements such as meeting cancellations and informative public announcements.

Agenda, meeting minutes, pending, and recently adopted ordinances can be located on the Administration page. In addition, zoning applications, open record requests and other Township forms can be located on the various pages. In addition to our website, residents can stay informed through our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/HanoverTownship.

If you want to find out information concerning our vibrant community center check their website at https://hanovercommunitycenter.com.

## REMINDER ABOUT ROADSIDE BASKETBALL HOOPS

A friendly reminder to everyone that both portable and permanent basketball structures, along and within Township roads and rights-of-way, are not permitted as it promotes recreational activity in our streets and is a hazard to motor vehicles particularly Township vehicles and delivery trucks.

These structures are classified as accessory structures and while they are permitted on the same lot as the principal use, they are not allowed e abide by this

in the Township right-of-way. Please abide by this restriction as we don't want anyone to get hurt or property damaged.



#### TOWNSHIP ROADSIDE TREE TRIMMING



As years pass changes take place and we may or may not take notice of the small things. One of the things we lose sight of is the maturity of trees located roadside, perhaps in the Township right-of-way. These trees can cause issues such as limbs hanging into the roadway, or impairing sight distance when navigating intersections.

When covered with snow & ice, or wet, branches will hang lower causing them to hit vehicles, or vehicles will need to drive around

them, perhaps pulling into oncoming traffic. Hanging branches can cause significant damage to vehicles, particularity to roof lights, antennas, and mirrors.

When time permits, the public works crew will trim trees in the right-of-way. However, it is the property owner's responsibility to maintain the trees on their property.

#### **OPHIOID EPIDEMIC & RECOVERY ASSISTANCE**



The Colonial Regional Police Department recognizes that the misuse of Ophioids in the United States is of epidemic proportions. Ophioid misuse and addiction in some way affects every household in America. The

members of the Colonial Regional Police Department have partnered with the Bethlehem Health Bureau with an initiative to take an active and compassionate role in helping people deal with ophioid and other drug addictions.

The Colonial Regional Police Department is just one of the police departments in Northampton County to offer a program that connects heroin and ophioid addicts with treatment. CPAIR (Colonial Police Assisting in Recovery) is modeled after the ANGEL program developed by the Gloucester MA Police Department stared June 1, 2015. (https://paariusa.org/gloucester/). This program is unique in that it brings law enforcement, drug and alcohol treatment providers and individuals seeking treatment together to reduce heroin and ophioid use. Funding for the program was provided by a grant from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

CPAIR allows an individual struggling with a drug addiction to walk into the Colonial Regional Police Department between 8:00am-12midnight and ask for assistance. The police department will then arrange for a professional to complete a drug and alcohol intake assessment and assist with finding a treatment facility. A peer recovery support specialist will also be provided to support the individual during the recovery process. If you or someone you know is struggling with drug addictions, please reach out to any officer of the Colonial Regional Police Department for help.

# MEDICATION DISPOSAL NO LIQUID DRUGS OR NEEDLES ACCEPTED

Boxes are located both in the lobby of the Colonial Regional Police Department, 248 Brodhead Road and the Township Municipal Building,



3630 Jacksonville Road. These drops of boxes are free and anonymous. Police building drop off is Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM and the Township building is Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

#### DID YOU KNOW THAT...?

- Unused or expired prescription medications are a public safety issue, leading to accidental poisoning, overdose, and abuse.
- Pharmaceutical drugs can be just as dangerous as street drugs when taken without a prescription or a doctor's supervision.
- The non-medical use of prescription drugs ranks second only to marijuana as the most common form of drug abuse in America.
- Most teenagers abusing prescription drugs get them from family and friends—and the home medicine cabinet.

## FYI

#### PARKING OF VEHICLES ON THE STREET

Did you know that parking on streets is regulated by certain sections of the Codified Ordinances?

#### § 172-16 Storage of vehicle on highways prohibited.

No vehicle shall be stored upon any highway. "Stored" shall mean the parking of a vehicle in one place upon a highway continuously for more than 48 hours.

#### § 172-17 Parking for certain purposes prohibited.

No vehicle shall be parked upon any highway or public right-of-way for any of the following purposes:

- A. Displaying the same for sale;
- **B.** Greasing or repairing;
- **C.** Human habitation. "Habitation" shall be defined to include preparing, serving, and consuming food and food products, use as sleeping accommodations, rest facilities, sanitation facilities or any other use, either temporary or permanent, which can be construed as for the purpose of habitation. This definition is understood to be inclusive rather than exclusive and shall be given the broadest construction necessary to protect the health and welfare of the citizens of the municipality; or
  - **D.** Selling or soliciting to sell wares or services.

#### § 172-18 Parking under certain conditions prohibited.

No vehicle shall be parked on any highway, or public rightof-way, or on private property where the vehicle is in public view if the vehicle:

- A. Does not display a current registration sticker;
- **B.** Does not display a current inspection sticker;
- C. Is not in operating condition; or
- **D.** Is a junk vehicle.

## § 172-19 Parking and storage of construction equipment, trailers or vehicles prohibited.

[Amended 5-10-2016 by Ord. No. 16-02]

No construction equipment, dumpster, tractor-trailer, any trailer combination, utility trailer, travel trailer, boat trailer, limousine or other commercial vehicle shall be parked, placed or stored on any highway or right-of-way without the express written permission of the Township. If storage is permitted, PennDOT-approved lighted and reflective barricades must surround the equipment during hours of darkness on the traveled portion of the highway. This section shall not restrict vehicles from standing while in the course of performing a service, making deliveries or pickups.

For a complete understanding of the UNIFORM TRAFFIC REGULATION(S) of the Township see §172 pf the Codified Ordinances (https://ecode360.com/HA1762).



# NORTHAMPTON COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT

Northampton County's Household Hazardous Waste Event is in the works for this Fall. More details will be available in August. Please check our website and Facebook page for more details at that time. We will also send an email when the information is available.

#### **WATER & SEWER**

The City of Bethlehem provides public water and sewer service for the majority of the Township. If you have an issue with either of these utilities, such as discolored water, contact them directly @ 610.865.7074. If you live in Macada north, south of Route 22, your water provider is Utilities, Inc. (Community Utilities of Pennsylvania Inc.) and their contact number is 1.800.638.0262. There email address is customerservice@uiwater.com.

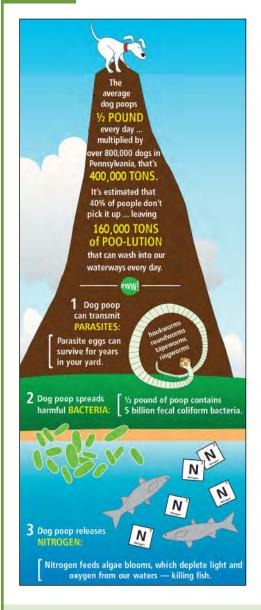
#### **STREETLIGHTS**

The streetlights in the Township are owned and operated by PPL. If a streetlight is out, you can call PPL directly. The PPL streetlight outage number is 1.800.342.5775, option 1, option 4. To report the outage, you will need the pole or light number. PPL owned street-



lights (utility poles or individual lights) should all have a yellow or silver plate at eye level with two sets of numbers on them. If the plates are missing, you can report an outage by the closest street address.

## FYI



#### **SPRAY OR NEUTER YOUR PET**

Spaying and neutering is one of the greatest gifts you can provide your pet, your family, and your community. Not only are you controlling pet overpopulation but spaying and neutering may also prevent medical and behavioral problems, allowing your pet to lead a longer, healthier, and happier life.

#### **SPAY & NEUTER CLINICS**

The Center for Animal Health and Welfare (CAHW) is committed to helping to decrease the population of homeless pets in our area. The Center for Animal Health & Welfare offers a comprehensive spay/ neuter program that allows for low-cost surgeries for feral and stray cats. In addition, low-income families are also welcomed to use these services for their family pets. This program benefits all of the Center's animals since all animals are spayed or neutered before they are adopted from the shelter.

CAHW also offers low cost vaccinations for dogs and cats, heartworm, and Lyme testing for dogs, Felv/FIV testing for cats, microchip identification, and worm and flea treatments. These services are by appointment only, and fees vary depending on the type and size of the animal. Please call 610-252-7722 Ext. 8 for scheduling and pricing information. Leave a detailed message with your contact information and the scheduler will return your call within 3 business days.

No Nonsense Neutering's (NNN) mission is to end over-population of cats and dogs by providing quality and affordable spay -neuter services. They offer spay-neuter for pet cats and dogs, spay -neuter for cat and dog rescues and shelters, and provide Trap Neuter Return resources throughout our service areas.

There are no income or residency requirements to use No Nonsense Neutering clinics. All healthy cats and dogs 12 weeks and older are eligible for surgery. Please visit their website www.nnnlv.org for additional details including the fee schedule. There is also detailed information on their Trap Neuter and Release (TNR) Program including renting humane traps, animal care, and release after surgery.



Neither the County nor Township have any specific events planned as of this publication. There are both residential and business drop-off locations (Fee may apply).

#### **DRC TECHNOLOGIES**

2005 Main Street, Northampton, PA 18067 Phone: 610-502-0854

#### **CLEAN EARTH**

2330 SW 26th Street, Allentown, PA 18103 Phone: 866-477-5177

#### **GER SOLUTIONS**

795 Roble Road, Allentown, PA 18109 Phone: 610-443-1776

## St. John Chrysostom Academy Ribbon Cutting



Father Petrides

On Wednesday, May 18, 2022, a ribbon cutting ceremony was held on the 40+ acre campus of the St. Francis Center for Renewal operated by the School Sisters of St. Francis on Bridle Path Road. The building that will now house a K-12 Orthodox Classical School, started in 1957 as an all-girls high school.

Board of Supervisors Chairman Jack Nagle welcomed Chrysostom Academy to the Town-

ship and thanked Father Petrides, Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, Bethlehem for inviting himself, Supervisor John Diacogiannis and Township Manager Jay Finnigan to the event.

His remarks included the following question & answer, "Who was St. John Chrysostom? He was an early Church father, serving as the Archbishop of Constantinople in the 5th Century AD. He is noted for preaching against the abuse of power by both ecclesiastical and political leaders. Obviously, the 5th Century has the same problems as today."

Supervisor Nagle continued: "He was also noted for many quotes. Some of the ones I liked were: 'Helping a person in need is good in itself."

"The bee is more honored than other animals not because she labors, but because she labors for others. Obviously, he believed service to his fellow man was important. I am sure that that will be reflected in the teachings of this school'. And finally, and my favorite, 'Why not learn to enjoy the little things, there are so many of them'. Something we could all learn from."

Fr. Aleandros Demetrios Petrides, who resides in

Hanover with his family, welcomed everyone and reflected on the vision formulated in 2018 by the Lehigh Valley Orthodox Clergy Brotherhood that brought them to the ribbon cutting. "Why couldn't the Lehigh Valley be like other Metropolis areas such as Boston, Astoria, Chicago, and Houston and have an Orthodox Classical School he commented?"

John W. Heitzenrater II, A.B., M.H.M. the schools Headmaster has nearly 17 years teaching and administrative experience in classical schools spoke just before the ribbon cutting. Mr. Heitzenrater began his career teaching history and humanities at the Lady Margaret Roper School and St. Peter's Orthodox Classical School in Fort Worth, Texas. In 2015, he joined Responsive Education Solutions and served as a founding headmaster, Director of K-12 History, Regional Director under the superintendent, and most recently as headmaster of the second largest Responsive

Ed school with a student enrollment of approximately 915 students.

Mr. Heitzenrater received his A.B. magna cum laude from the College of St. Thomas More where he studied literature, philosophy, theology, classical languages, and history. In graduate school he attended the University of Dallas where he received his Master of Humanities with a concentration in history in 2016. He and his wife Christina, also Hanover



Supervisor Jack Nagle with Mr. Heitzenrater in backgound.

residents, have 11 children, seven girls and four boys, many of whom will attend St. John of Chrysostom Academy.

#### HANOVER TOWNSHIP'S FIREWORKS ORDINANCE

Hanover Township has adopted an ordinance which strictly prohibits the use of fireworks except on certain days and times.

Ordinance 2021-5 which is now § 82-11 of the Codified Ordinances of Hanover Township Reads: Consumer fireworks conditions of use.

- A. A person who is at least 18 years of age and meets the requirements of this article may purchase, possess and use consumer fireworks.
- B. Dates and times of use. [Amended 8-24-2021 by Ord. No. 21-5]
  - (1) Consumer fireworks cannot be ignited or discharged in the Township, except during the following dates and times:

- (a) Memorial Day, 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- (b) July 3, 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- (c) July 4, 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- (d) July 5, 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- (e) Labor Day, 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- (f) December 31, 6:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.
- (g) January 1, 12:00 midnight to 12:30 a.m.
- (h) January 1, 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- (2) The use of consumer fireworks is strictly prohibited at all other times.

PLEASE RESPECT YOUR NEIGHBORS' AND THEIR PETS BY ADHERING TO THIS ORDINANCE. THANK YOU!

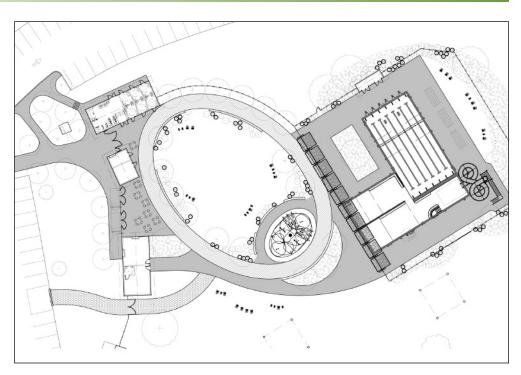
## POOL PROJECT PROGRESS

Since the formation appointment of the Pool Advisory Group (PAG) in October of 2019 by the Board of Supervisors (BOS) the group has been working diligently to make sure the Township investment in a new pool facility meets the current and long-term needs of the Township. The PAG is composed of Vice Chairman Mike Prendeville, Supervisor Susan Lawless, Evan Kocon (swim team) Mike Stasak (Recreation Advisory Board), Dale Traupman (Planning Commission) and OUR former Recreation Director Assistant

Nichole Hamburg. The minutes of the Board of Supervisors (BOS) reflect the following concerning the formation of the group: "The purpose of the working group is to develop options for an aquatic facility in the Township. The working group is to present such options to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and action as the BOS deems appropriate. The working group shall work with the Township Manager and Director of Public Works for technical and financial input." These individuals have guided the project from the start. Ms. Hamburg was subsequently replaced by Matt DeGeorge (our former recreation director). Township Engineer Brien Kocher, Public Works Director Vince Milite and Township Manager Jay Finnigan have continued to provide information on the property surrounding the pool project and expertise on the various facets of the project.

The Township first engaged Terracon to analyze the soil around our pool to see if it was suitable to repair or replace the current structure. In their report (April 2021) they confirmed the soil composition and the presence of voids under and around the current pool. While this process was taking place, the Township prepared an RFP to obtain an outside consultant to complete an evaluation of options study with a due date of proposals of May 14, 2021. As a result of the RFP's the BOS, based on the recommendation of the PAG selected BKP Architects, Philadelphia, PA to undertake that part of the process. BKP conducted surveys, held ZOOM meetings with residents and interested parties to understand what features and amenities should be included in the new pool.

Simultaneously, the Township in late 2021, prepared and issued an additional RFP to solicit proposals to secure the financing for a new aquatic facility. A General



Obligation Note, Series 2022 (\$7,500,000) was secured from Penn Community Bank. The Note bears interest at the initial fixed rate of 1.47%, which began to accrue as of January 25, 2022, with payments commencing October 1, 2022, and continuing April 1st and October 1st each year until maturing April 1, 2042. Part of the Note is to pay for the aquatic facility as well as assist in financing two (2) stormwater projects, one which is currently out for bid.

After BKP presented their findings, they were selected to prepare the BID documents for the "New Pool". The PAG has continued to meet regularly with BKP both in person and virtually. Additionally, BKP has presented during BOS meetings as they progress through the project. Components and features have changed and were modified based on input, primarily from the PAG. Currently, BKP is finalizing the Bid Documents and simultaneously working with the Northampton County Conservation District (NCCD) who must approve storm water associated with the new pool and amenities. To expedite the process, representatives of BKP, the Township Engineer, Manager and Public Works Director held a Pre-Application Meeting with the NCCD on May 4, 2022. The NCCD pushes for infiltration which based on the soils and voids would not be a wise choice for this project. BKP must prove to the NCCD that infiltration isn't a viable option and the use of a vegetated filter strip and a managed release concept is better for this project. Hopefully this analysis doesn't further delay the project.

The pace of the project has been dictated primarily by our outside consultants based on input from the PAG. As you can imagine, spending +/- \$5,000,000 on a single project you want to make sure it withstands time and is functional for decades.

## PROTECT OUR WATERSHED =

## **SUMMER TIPS**



#### **MEASURE**

Always follow directions to use proper amounts of fertilizer and herbicides. Too much can wash off your property into storm drains and can harm aquatic life.



#### REUSE

Keep grass at least 3" to promote healthy root growth. Dispose of clippings in a compost pile or yard waste bag so they don't wash into storm drains and then our streams. Clippings also make great natural mulch!



#### CARE

Have a spill kit handy to immediately clean up any spills in your driveway like gas or oil leaks.



#### CONSERVE

Watch your watering!
Lawns only need about
1" of rain per week.
Overwatering can result
in runoff, which can carry
fertilizers and herbicides
along with it. Avoid
watering during mid-day.



#### **CLEAN UP**

Get involved in a local stream or neighborhood cleanup.



#### WASH

Wash cars at
commercial car washes,
where wash water is
connected to sanitary
sewers and treated. At
home, wash your car on
the grass, not the
driveway, so soapy
water doesn't wash into
storm drains.



## Summer at BAPL!

Long sunny days are coming—let the library help you fill those hours with fun! OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES is this year's Summer Quest program, with learning and reading activities for toddlers through teens, and adults. All ages have a chance to win larger prizes, and youth will also earn incentives as they complete activities.

Check our website (bapl.org) for free daily programs and events, and sign up for the program at any library location or when the Bookmobile comes to Hanover Township! The program runs June through August, so it will keep your brain in shape all summer long!

### READ ALL SUMMER LONG!

Signing your child up for a summer reading program helps prevent the summer slide, sends a strong message that reading can and should be a lifelong habit, engages reluctant readers with fun activities, generates interest in the library and books, and is good fun/ family time for all!



Sign up for our email newsletter at bapl.org/newsletter

Check bapl.org/the-bookmobile for the updated bookmobile schedule

### Bethlehem Area Public Library Locations

#### **Main Library**

11 W. Church Street Bethlehem, PA 18018 610.867.3761

#### **South Side Branch**

400 Webster Street Bethlehem, PA 18015 610.867.7852

#### **BAPL Coolidge**

2740 Fifth Street Bethlehem, PA 18020 484.892.6267

#### **Books on the Hill**

Spiegel and Stanley Streets Fountain Hill, PA 18015

#### **EZ Lend Kiosk**

HTCC 3660 Jacksonville Rd Bethlehem, PA 18017



Have you visited the EZ Lend Kiosk lately? Available whenever the Hanover Township Community Center is open!



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### **Meetings of Boards and Commission**

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

- **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:** January, February, March, April, May, September, October and November on the SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAY; June, July and August the FOURTH TUESDAY and December the THIRD TUESDAY all starting at 7:00 p.m.
- **PLANNING COMMISSION:** February, March, April, May, June, August, October, November and December on the FIRST MONDAY and July and September the SECOND MONDAY all starting at 7:30 p.m.
- **SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE:** Meetings are held the THIRD TUESDAY of each month, starting at 7:00 p.m.
- **RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD:** Meetings are held the SECOND THURSDAY of January March, May, June, July, August, September and November, starting at 7:30 p.m.
- **ZONING HEARING BOARD:** Meetings are held the FOURTH THURSDAY of each month whenever required. Time(s) of the hearing will be announced when scheduled.
- **SHADE TREE ADVISORY COMMISSION:** Meetings are held the LAST MONDAY of the month, except May which is held the fourth Monday of the month. No December meeting is held. Meetings start at 6:30 p.m.