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October Recognized as National Physical Therapy Month

October is National Physical Therapy Month and provides an opportunity to help educate the community on the value of physical therapy. National Physical Therapy month also gives us the opportunity to recognize and congratulate a very successful business in our community.

Dynamic Physical Therapy provides free transportation to their facilities for many in the Aston Community who are in need of their services. They have a warm, fun and caring environment where patients can achieve their functional goals. They also donate to community events, school activities and also support our local baseball teams.



Commissioner Higgins presents Andrew Gill with his proclamation recognizing his achievement of Eagle Scout.

Andrew Gill Achieves Eagle Scout Rank

Andrew Gill recently achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. He is the son of Brian and Janemarie Gill and is currently a senior at Sun Valley High School.

Gill's Eagle Scout project involved planning, supervising, and painting two pre-K classrooms at the Holy Family Regional Catholic School in Aston.

The project improved the condition and appearance of the classrooms for the students. With the help of adult leaders, fellow scouts, friends and family, the classrooms were finished just before school started. The school and community were both pleased and Gill was recognized in the school's newsletter for his outstanding efforts in completing the job.

He joined Mt. Hope's Cub Scout Pack 77 as a Wolf Cub where he participated in all activities. He earned the Arrow of Light, the highest award that a Cub Scout can earn.

At Sun Valley, he participates in the marching band as a trumpet player and student leader. He was able to help the band achieve a first place state championship win during their 2015 season. He is currently involved in concert band, jazz band, and a member of the Tri-M Music Honor Society.

Aston Holiday Decorating Contest Returns!



The Aston Township Parks and Recreation Committee and Board of Commissioners are holding the second annual holiday decorating contest for businesses and residents.

The business category will be divided up into three categories- industrial, large business, and small business. For residents, it's open to residents of all seven wards.

First place business prizes include advertising the winner's business in the January Township Times, the Township website, and TV channels for the month of January and a paid 1-year membership to the Aston Business Association. Honorable mention winners will receive a paid 1-year ABA membership.

Residential winners (one winner, one honorable mention per ward) will receive a \$100 gift card to Giant. Honorable mention winners will receive a \$50 Wawa gift card.

Judging by non-partisan judges will be held on Sunday, December 18. Winners will be announced on the Aston Township website and TV channel Christmas Week as well as invited to the January Commissioners Meeting.

For further information or questions contact Commissioner Carol Graham at 610-459-8557.

The Aston Township offices and Public Works Department will be closed on Nov. 24 and Nov. 25. Monday and Tuesday's trash and recycling will be picked up on Monday, Nov. 21. Wednesday and Thursday's trash and recycling will be picked up on Tuesday, Nov. 22. Friday's trash and recycling will be picked up on Wednesday, November 23.

Rain Doesn't Stop the Fun on Community Day



The Aston Police Department is honored as "Citizens of the Year" at Community Day.

Rainy weather and a week's delay didn't stop more than 4,000 people from coming out to celebrate.

Sponsored by the Aston Business Association, the day's events included a parade featuring a bike rodeo and best decorated bike contest. A business expo as well as various demonstrations, food court, local organizations and activities and rides for children.

This year was the first for the Aston Wing Bowl that pitted the Aston Police against the Aston Fire Company. The Aston Police won the contest, chowing down on the most wings! The Aston Police were also recognized as Citizens of the Year and walked in the parade while residents showed their support by wearing blue.



Leah, Peyton, and Quinn Fehrle enjoy their time at Aston Community Day.

There was plenty of delicious food including hot dogs, hamburgers, water ice, soft pretzels, pizza and ice cream. Residents also strolled around the Business Expo in the Community Center visiting local businesses and checking out information and free giveaways.

The opening ceremony included the singing of the *National Anthem* by Richard Choate, the raising of the American Flag and the singing of *God Bless America* and *America the Beautiful* by the Neumann Choral Concert. Many children enjoyed themselves on the variety of inflatables, train rides, jumping trampoline, large slides and more.

"I would like to express my appreciation and thank you to my parade coordinator, bike and rodeo coordinators, committee chairs, businesses, business donors, food courts, police, fire, commissioners, Public Works, Neumann, Sun Valley, Northley Volunteers, Penn Delco School District, St. Joseph Church, and the reporters and photographers who helped to make Community Day a success," said Maryann Bullen.

Be sure to visit Aston Community Day on Facebook for pictures courtesy of Al and Audrey Everett.

Pancake Breakfast November 6

The Aston Township Lions Club will be holding their Fall Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, November 6 from 7:30 a.m. to noon at the Aston Community Center. Cost for Adults is \$8, \$4 for children 3-12 and children 2 and under eat free. The menu includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, tater tots, chocolate milk, coffee, tea and orange juice.

Where can you beat this all you can eat breakfast? Proceeds from this breakfast help to fund the children's party for those less fortunate, education awards, firemen, EMT and police officer of the year, plus other local needs.

Bagged Leaf Collection

The Public Works Department has begun picking up bagged leaves. Leaf bags are available for purchase for \$1.50/bundle of five in the Municipal Building. Seniors get their first five bags free.

Aston Computer Recycling and Data Destruction Event

The final Aston Computer Recycling & Data Destruction Event will be held on Saturday, November 5 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Commonwealth Computer Recycling Facility at Elwyn Industries, 1 Judy Way, Aston, Pa 19014.

They will be taking TVs. CRT Monitors/Tube TVs \$20 each; Console/Rear Projection TVs \$50/each.

On-site hard drive and cell phone destruction available for \$10. No wooden speakers, large appliances or smoke detectors will be taken. Service fees may apply for certain items.

Sun Valley Post Prom Designer Bag Bingo

The Sun Valley Class of 2017 will host a post prom Designer Bag Bingo on Saturday, November 5 at the Park-

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side Fire Hall, 107 W. Roland Rd., Brookhaven, Pa.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 in advance and \$35 at the door. Contact SVHSProm2017@gmail.com or Kirsten Connolly at 610-485-5950.

Aston Seniors Meet Nov. 17

Aston Senior Citizens meeting will be held on Thursday, November 17 at 10:45 a.m. at the Aston Community Center. Membership is open to Penn Delco residents (Aston, Parkside, Brookhaven) and dues are \$10. You are welcome to come and join at our next meeting, or contact Stanley Wilczek; 123 Edgar Avenue, Aston, or call 610-494-5434.

Aston Lions Looking for Medical Equipment

The Aston Township Lions need good wheelchairs with foot rests and shower chairs. If you have any of these items and are willing to donate them, call Anthony at 610-368-3435.

If you have need for medical equipment, we may be able to loan them to you. Check with Anthony at the above phone number.

Meals on Wheels Needs Your Help!

Aston Meals on Wheels needs your help for just an hour or two, twice a month to assist with delivery of meals to our home bound seniors in Aston and Brookhaven.

If you are interested in this worthy cause, please call Joan Hanlon at 610-485-2729.

Calling All Sun Valley Grads

Those Sun Valley years were filled with football games, cramming for exams, parties, and special friends. You've moved on, but continue to wonder, "Whatever happened to those people who made my high school years so special?" Well, a number of them have gotten together and are working hard

to make the Sun Valley High School Alumni Association a reality. A website is under construction, and 501c3 certification is being finalized. So if you're an "SV GRAD", please join us.

For more information, contact us at, sunvalleypaalumni@gmail.com.

Recent Business

Robert Herre was recently appointed as Aston Township Assistant Fire Marshal. He is fulfilling the unexpired term of Joseph Billie, who recently resigned.

William Mack was appointed as a full-time probationary police officer. He will undergo a one year probationary period. He will become a full-time officer on December 3.

Matthew Elliott was appointed as a part-time probationary police officer. He must successfully pass a complete physical and psychological exam. Once hired, he will undergo a one-year probationary period.

Aston Police Pin Sales

Aston Township Police Department will be selling "I Support Aston Police" pins. The pins cost \$1 and ALL of the proceeds are being donated to Neighbors Helping Neighbors. The pins can be purchased at the Aston Police Department located at 5021 Pennell Road.

Aston Township Historical Society Dolls and Trains Meeting Nov 10

Aston Township Historical Society will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, November 10 beginning at 7 p.m. at the Aston Township Community Center. The Dolls and Trains memorabilia will be on display in the lobby cases beginning at 6:30 p.m.

This evening will include a huge display and discussion about collections of Dolls and Trains. The discussion will be guided by Kathy Warren and Ed Dougherty.

Dougherty owns an extensive collection of Lionel trains including standard gauge pre and post war trains. He owns many train accessories and unique dis-

November Public Meetings and Special Events

Fire Committee Meeting

7 p.m. Tuesday, November 1

Parks and Rec Committee Meeting

12:30 p.m. Wednesday, November 2

Finance Committee Meeting

10 a.m. Monday, November 7

Work Session Meeting

2 p.m. Wednesday, November 9

New Construction Committee Meeting

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, November 9

Finance Committee Meeting

2 p.m. Thursday, November 10

Public Works Meeting

12:30 p.m. Monday, November 14

Board of Commissioners Meeting

7 p.m. Wednesday, November 16

Zoning Hearing Board Meeting

7 p.m. Tuesday, November 22

Ordinance Committee Meeting

2 p.m. Monday, November 28

Planning Commission Meeting

7 p.m. Wednesday, November 30

plays including some from the Lionel factory. He will discuss his vast collection and take questions from the audience after the program.

Kathy Warren, member of the ATHS, is also a member of the DCHS where she is the curator of dolls. She is the President of the Mullica Hill Doll Study Club and a member of the Letitia Penn Doll Club in Philadelphia. She owns over 450 dolls and has 150 of them on display at DCHS's Archives and Museum located at the Avenue of the States in Chester, PA. Kathy will display several of her dolls and discuss the history of dolls from their earliest days to the present popularity of American Girl Dolls.

Puppet Show November 16; Holiday Toy Box Raffle

Dave Fiebert from Segal Puppets will entertain the kids with an exciting, colorful, and entertaining puppet show Wednesday, November 16 at 6:30 p.m. The show will also tell an exciting, engaging and age-appropriate story. This will be a brand-new show for 2016. Please come and join the fun!

Did you know you can print, copy and fax at the library. Faxing is only \$1 per page. Printing and copying is 15c per page black and white and 25c per page color. Our new copier will do color copies, and also provides free scanning to your flash drive.

On Tuesdays at 4 p.m., we have Kids Lego Club. Your child can learn to build things using the library's Lego collection.

You can now check out free library internet access and take it home! The Aston Public Library is offering 4G internet hotspots for free checkout with your library card. Reserve yours by going to <http://www.tinyurl.com/aston4g16>.

Have you ever wanted to learn how to play Mahjongg? Now is your chance. Join Ms. Debbie Wednesdays at 11 a.m. to learn the Chinese game. It is a game of skill, strategy, and calculation and in-

Neumann Cultural Arts Forum Fashion Show

The Neumann University Cultural Arts Forum will host a fashion show and luncheon on Saturday, November 5 at 11:30 a.m. at the Penn Oaks Golf Club in West Chester. Relax and enjoy the views of the latest styles as you enjoy a tasty luncheon prepared by the chefs of Penn Oaks Golf Club. Try your luck on a variety of theme baskets and a cash raffle.

All proceeds benefit the Dr. Margaret Mary Kearney Scholarship. Women's fashions provided by Claire's Fashions of Wilmington, Loft of Springfield, and children's fashions by local establishments.

Cost is \$40. For more information call 610-558-5626.

volves a degree of chance.

The Friends of the Library are raffling a great Holiday Toy Box. The prize is a great assortment of toys and books for all ages. You can get one ticket for \$2, three for \$5, or seven for \$10! The prize will be drawn in December.

Need help with an e-book reader, laptop or tablet computer? Stop by for our drop-in help time on Friday mornings, 10 a.m. for e-book readers and 11 a.m. for laptops and tablets.

Stop by Tuesdays at 11 a.m. to learn the art of Crochet with our diverse group with many levels of experience. Stop by Thursdays at 6 p.m. to participate in a wide variety of crafts.

More information and registration for all our programs is available via the Calendar at www.astonlibrary.org. You can now purchase Friends of the Library T-shirts and bags to show your support of the library. These are available at the service desk at the library.

The Library Board will meet at the Library on Tuesday, November 15 at 7 p.m. Join the Friends of the Library. Go to www.astonlibrary.org and click on "Join Our Friends" to send in your information.

Annual Woodcarving and Wildlife Art Show November 5 & 6

The William Rush Woodcarvers will hold their Annual Woodcarving & Wildlife Art Show on Saturday, November 5 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, November 6 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The show is held at the Penn State Brandywine Campus. Lima, Pa, on Rte 352, 1 mile north of Rte 1. There is a donation of \$4 as the admittance fee and children 12 and under are free with an adult. Free parking will be available and the cafeteria will be open. Come and enjoy door prizes, carvings, paintings, photography, supplies, demonstrations, tools and so much more.

Dine and Buy Nov 10

Aston Business Association's fall Dine & Buy in Aston event will be held on Thursday, November 10. Proceeds from the event will support Neighbors Helping Neighbors. NHN helps Aston residents experiencing hard financial times with meals at Thanksgiving and Christmas, some Christmas gifts for homes with small children, and assistance with emergency heating oil for residents in need.



Ms. Debbie accepting a generous donation from the Aston Wells Fargo Bank.



Aston author Wendy Massey reads to the storytime kids in October.

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