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Now Accepting Aston Citizen of the Year Nominations

Do you know someone extraordinary here in Aston? Do you know anyone that has done something great for the township in the past year? If so, Aston Township is now accepting nominations for Aston's 2017 Outstanding Citizen Award.

You can find the application at <http://astontownship.net/>. Visit the website to nominate the resident you think deserves this award. All applications must be turned in by September 4 and nominees must be Aston citizens.

Community Day October 7

The 16th Annual Community Day will be held Saturday, October 7 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Community Center. Rain date is Saturday, October 14.

Community Day will begin with a parade from Neumann University at 9:30 a.m. Wrist bands can be purchased in advance for a donation of \$4 each at the Community Center through October 7. Wristbands purchased during the day of the event will be \$5 each. Proof of Aston residency is needed at the time of purchase.

For Community Day participation contact Maryann Bullen at 610-494-2337. For parade participation, contact Nancy Bowden at 610-464-5490 or nbowden@comcast.net. For Business Expo contact Terry Yannuzzi at 610-497-4019 or terry@rickssheds.com.



Neumann Students Volunteer

Freshman students from Neumann University volunteered in Aston last month. Most of the students spent time sprucing up the Veterans Memorial for the September 11 events and the others helped the Township Administrators. Pictured with the student volunteers are Bill McConville, Township Manager and Commissioner Carol Graham.

Boy Scouts to Hold Sixteenth Anniversary September 11 Ceremony

The Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts of Aston Township would like to cordially invite the local residents to our Patriot Day Ceremony on Monday, September 11 at 7 p.m. at the Aston Veterans Memorial at Concord and Pennell Road at Five Points. If it rains that day, the Ceremony will be held at the Aston Community Center located at 3270 Concord Road.

For more information, please contact Barry Pinkowicz at 610-714-1598.

Aston Township Beef and Beer

The Aston Township Fire Department will be holding their annual Halloween Beef and Beer on Friday, October 27 from 7 p.m.-10 p.m. The event will be located at Barnaby's of Aston. The cost is \$30 per person (21 to enter) which includes: food, domestic drafts, wine, well drinks and as always a good time! Raffles, door prizes and costume prizes will also be available!

Come out and have a spooky good time while supporting the great members of the Aston Township Fire Department!

The Township Offices and Public Works Department are closed for Labor Day on Monday, September 4. Monday and Tuesdays trash collection for will be collected on Tuesday.

Aston Township Historical Society Upcoming Events

Aston Township Historical Society has several exciting events coming up this fall. All events will be held at the ACC.

On Thursday, September 15 at 7 p.m. local historian Nancy Webster will tell the unbelievable story of the Battle of Brandywine and its effects on the residents of Aston. The Battle was held September 11, 1777 and the huge British encampment covered all the land from Route 1, Baltimore Pike to Village Green. Both armies traveled through Aston down Concord road to Chester.

Wednesday, October 4 at 7 p.m. there will be Meet the Authors event, book sale, and book signing for *Living in Fisher's Corner, Aston, PA in the 1950s*. John Macfarland, Mac, Lee Smitham, Mort, Clarence Hickey, and Corky have put their photos, stories, and so many memories into a fun look back to the simpler times of our town. Come meet them, share a story or two, buy a book and get their signatures. All costs were covered by the authors and all proceeds will go to the ATHS.

Saturday, October 7 is Aston Community Day and the ATHS will be remembering those who fought in the Revolutionary War and the people of Aston who tried to help the soldiers as they streamed through our town, hungry, tired, and war-weary. If you are interested in portraying a soldier or some of the townspeople, e-mail Sheila Withelder at withelder@comcast.net.

On Thursday, November 9 at 7 p.m. the ATHS will host Al Eelman from the Concord Township Historical Society with his interpretation of Benedict Arnold, the infamous traitor of the Revolutionary War. Al has portrayed Arnold several times and captures the essence of the man whose name is reviled in American history.

Greaseband is Back at St. Joe's

The fabulous Greaseband is returning to Saint Joseph's Parish in Aston on Saturday, October 14. Greaseband is a seven member, nostalgic dance party band and concert attraction, featuring outstanding male and female lead vocals in a front trio, backed by a group of instrumentalists.

The highly entertaining and energetic delivery of some of the greatest songs ever written has kept the group on top for well over 30 years. Remember to mark your calendars to attend the Greaseband concert at Degnan Hall at the Church of Saint Joseph, 3255 Concord Rd.

Doors open at 7 p.m. and the band will take the stage at 8 p.m. The cover charge is \$21 per person. There will be a cash bar and bar food will be available for purchase (no outside food or beverages are permitted).

For reservations, please contact Joe Zack at 610-888-4767 or email at jaz1030@aol.com.

Three Life Scouts help make the Chester Creek Trail even more beautiful

Matt Gane and Stephen Brodecki of Boy Scout Troop 225 sponsored by the Church of St. Joseph's in Aston and Rushy Patel of Boy Scout Troop 191 in Bethel Township are working towards the highest rank in Scouting, Eagle Scout! One of the requirements for the Eagle Rank is to do a service project for their community and these Scouts decided to help out the Chester Creek Trail for their projects.

Gane and Brodecki along with their fellow Scouts, leaders, and family members installed eight benches along the trail. Patel decided to build two benches and install four trash cans with the help of his fellow Scouts, leaders, and family members. Both of these are great additions to the trail. In the past few weeks, three Life Scouts have made a huge difference on the trail. They all gave a lot of time and energy for the community to enjoy this trail even more.

September is History Month!

West Delco will be holding a Freedom Tour and Fireworks Show on Saturday, September 16.

West Delco Historical Societies and Sites have created a month-long calendar of exciting festivals, presentations, and re-enactments. But the jewel in their crown is an eleven-site Freedom Tour that commemorates the 240th anniversary of the Battle of Brandywine and the subsequent retreat and pursuit.

The tour features sites that were part of, or witness to, events surrounding the Battle of Brandywine. The group will tour several of those sites and also several places where only the ghosts remain. There will be a fireworks show at 8 p.m. at the Glen Mills School.

The tour is offered by bus from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. with a historian guide on board. Tickets are \$15 or you may follow the bus in your car, caravan style, for free. For tickets, call 610-517-7962. For more information, visit www.destinationdelconews.com.

Aston Senior Citizens to Meet Sept. 28

Aston Senior Citizens are resuming their monthly meetings for the 2017-2018 year. The first meeting will be on September 28, at 10:45 a.m. at the Aston Community Center.

There will be a complimentary lunch for all paid members on this date. Membership is open to Penn Delco residents (Aston, Parkside, Brookhaven.) that are 55 years of age or older, residing within the Penn Delco School District.

You are welcome to come and join at our next meeting, or contact Stanley Wileczek, 123 Edgar Avenue, Aston, Pa. or call 619-494-5434.

Double Trash Pickup Ends

Double Trash Pickup ends on Friday, September 1.

To submit an item to the newsletter, e-mail newsletter@astontownship.net. Deadline for next issue is September 25.

Volunteer for Community Day

Community Day planning has begun!! All meetings will begin at 7 p.m. and will be held at the Aston Township Community Center in the small meeting room. The dates for meetings are as follows:

Tuesday September 12
Tuesday September 19
Tuesday September 26
Tuesday October 3
Tuesday October 6

We hope to see some of our wonderful residents there that are willing to volunteer for Community Day.

Learn the Bible in One Year

Come to the Bible Timeline on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. starting September 19. The Bible Timeline is a Catholic Bible study that can help anyone to make sense of Scripture and experience the life-changing power of God's Word. This study takes you on a journey through the entire Bible and deep into each period of salvation history, where you will discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture.

The Bible Timeline has helped hundreds of thousands of people to understand the Bible and deepen their relationship with Christ, and it will help you, too.

For more information or to register for the study contact Cathy Maugeri at c.maugeri@comcast.net or 610-494-4358. Sessions are held in the Lower Church Hall area at 3255 Concord Road.

The study will include a series of twenty-four videos that will be preceded by a lively group discussion. Everyone who participates will receive the Bible Timeline Study Kit. Cost for the entire program is \$35.

Friends of Aston Library to Host Bingo

The Friends of Aston Library will host a bingo at the Aston Community Center on Saturday, September 30 from 6-9:30 p.m.

Doors open at 5 p.m. and there will

be all cash prizes! There will be special games, food, bingo supplies, and raffles and all proceeds will go to Aston Library. No one under 18 years of age will be admitted. Admission is \$20.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

The Friends of the Library will host a book sale will be 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 5, 6 and 7. Paperback and hard back, adult and children, fiction and non-fiction will be available.

American Legion Recruitment

The American Legion Post 926 of Aston is a part of America's largest veteran's service organization and is looking for new members.

The American Legion is a nonpartisan, not-for-profit organization with great political influence perpetuated by its grass-roots involvement in the legislation process from local districts to Capitol Hill. Legionnaires' sense of obligation to community, state and nation drives an honest advocacy for veterans in Washington.

The Legion stands behind the issues most important to the nation's veterans community, backed by resolutions passed by volunteer leadership.

The American Legion's success depends entirely on active membership, participation and volunteerism. The organization belongs to the people it serves and the communities in which it thrives.

You can sign up to join at American Legion Post 926, find them on Twitter at: Veteransall and email: Post926@comcast.net.

Delaware County Sheriff's Reserve Unit Golf Tournament

The 2017 Delaware County Sheriff's Reserve Unit Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, September 18 with a shotgun start at 1 p.m.

The tournament will be held at the Concord County Club and features awards for the longest drive, closest to pin, and three top teams. The event starts off with a boxed lunch and din-

September Public Meetings and Special Events

Parks & Recreation Meeting

12:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 6

Ordinance Committee Meeting

1 p.m. Monday, September 11

New Construction Committee Meeting

6:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 12

Work Session Meeting

2 p.m. Wednesday, September 13

Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

7 p.m. Thursday, September 14

Board of Commissioners Meeting

7 p.m. Wednesday, September 20

Zoning Hearing Board Meeting

7 p.m. Tuesday, September 26

Work Session Meeting

2 p.m. Wednesday, September 27

Planning Commission Meeting

7 p.m. Wednesday, September 27

ner will be served immediately after the end of play.

Formed in the aftermath of the 9/11 and Hurricane Katrina disasters, the Sheriff's Reserve unit, staffed by volunteers, is trained to provide traffic and crowd control assistance to the Sheriff's Office and other law enforcement agencies in Delaware County as requested.

For more information, contact Jeff Stang at 302-750-9380 or Brad Feldman at 610-299-7834.

Meet the Animals September 27; Beginner Painting Classes Sept. 9

Bring your child to a Safari Party where they will meet exotic animals. The free event will be Wednesday, September 27 at 6:30 p.m. Your child can learn about the wonders of the animal kingdom close up. Fun for all ages!

Have you always wanted to be an artist? There will be a free beginner painting class Saturday, September 9 at 12:30 p.m. Space is limited, so please register.

Your child can learn to play Chess! Join Chess Club every Tuesday at 6 p.m. - materials and training will be provided.

3D Printing Services Available. Ask Debbie or Stephen at the desk to find out how you can get your first small 3D printed item for free. Check out the designs the staff made in the display case for ideas.

Storytime! Your young child can learn basic literacy skills while having fun. The Aston Public Library offers story times every week, open to everyone! Join Ms. Debbie for toddler time (ages 2-3) on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., infant time (up to 24 months) on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., and preschool time (ages 3-5) on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

Free Chair Tai Chi classes will be at 2 p.m. on Thursdays starting September 21st. Chair Tai Chi is a gentle form of Tai Chi using a chair for support.

Sixteenth Annual Aston Business Association Golf Outing

The 16th Annual ABA Golf Outing will be held on Monday, September 25 at the Downingtown Country Club. The tournament was started to remember and commemorate the events of September 11th and to honor and acknowledge the local emergency response teams. All proceeds from the tournament are donated to the Aston Township Fire Department and the Aston Police Department. Registration and sponsorship opportunities are available now.

Registration and lunch open at 11 a.m. with a noon shotgun start. Cocktails and dinner will follow tournament play in the evening. There will be awards for the longest drive, closest to pin, and best foursome. Raffles, 50/50 drawing and door prize drawings will also be available.

Advertising sponsorships are available. For costs and more information, visit www.astonba.com/16th-annual-golf-outing/. All donations can be sent to ABA Golf Committee c/o Ron Temple PO Box 96, Concordville, PA 19331. For advertising sponsorships, donations that need to be picked up or for more information; please contact either: Ron Temple (PetKraze) at (610) 364-9400 or ron@petkraze.com

Rick Yannuzzi (Rick's Sheds) at (610) 497-4019 or sales@rickssheds.com

Join the Library Movie Discussion Group to view and discuss *Deepwater Horizon* on Monday, September 25 at 11 a.m. Light lunch will be provided.

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 with an even more diverse group.

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. is the time for laptops and tablets.

More information and registration for all our programs is available via the Calendar at www.astonlibrary.org.

Join the Friends of the Library! Go to www.astonlibrary.org and click on "Join Our Friends" to send in your info. The Aston Public Library Board of Trustees meeting will be held at the library on Tuesday, September 19 at 7 p.m.

You can access books for your Kindle, Nook, or other e-book reader with your library card. Go to <http://digitallibrary.delcolibraries.org/> to see what is available.

Are you on Facebook? Follow the Aston Library there! Go to <http://www.facebook.com/astonlibrary> and "like" us.



Kids show off the colorful "fish" they made at storytime this month



One of the past Safari special guests. Come meet the new visitors at the Safari Party September 27!



Court Corner



Aston District Court 32-2-38 is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.- 4 p.m. You can contact the court at 610-558-3528.

The Aston District Courthouse is located at One New Road, Aston, Pa 19014 and it serves Aston Township as well as Wards 3&4 of Upper Chichester Township.

District Court is the first level of Pennsylvania's Unified Judicial System and hears civil cases up to \$12,000 as well as criminal cases and matters of bail and criminal arraignments.

Court 32-2-38 is presided over by Magisterial District Judge Diane M. Holefelder.

Engraved Memorial Garden bricks make great birthday or remembrance gifts. Call Maryann Bullen at 610-494-2337.