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Hannah Kosluk, Autumn Latoroco and Aiden Latoroco smile with the Easter Bunny at the Bunny Brunch.

## Egg Hunt Brings Record Crowds

Beautiful weather brought out record crowds for the 2019 Egg Hunt and Bunny Brunch. The Parks and Rec Committee, especially Kit Spayd, Jim Graham, Andrea Griffith, Jack Vernon, Trish Ballestieri and Commissioners Prendergast and Bowden worked hard and prepared to help make the event a success.

“Thank you to all the volunteers who worked so hard decorating, cooking, and helping the residents. Gina and Dan Ruggieri, Helen Morgan, Judy Persing, Maureen Dillon, Phyliss Brady, Sandy Greto, Evelyn Spayd, Cadie Kelso, and Dillon, thank you for a job well done,” said Commissioner Graham.

Thank you as well to the local businesses, Pretzel Boys, Wawa, Chester Water Authority, Giant, Texas Roadhouse, Resurrection Church, and Aston Public Works, Fire Department and Police for their assistance.

## Volunteer for Comcast Cares Day May 4

Aston AA Fields and Clubhouse has been chosen by Comcast NBCUniversal as part of their commitment to making the communities where we work and live better. On Saturday, May 4, Comcast will celebrate that commitment with one of their company's best days of the year – Comcast Cares Day.

Last year, more than 115,000 volunteers pitched in to make change happen at schools and playgrounds, community centers and neighborhoods around the world. It also gives families a chance to demonstrate the importance of giving back at an early age – last year one in four volunteers were under the age of 18.

This year we need your help to make the 18<sup>th</sup> Comcast Cares Day another success. We invite you to join us to volunteer on Comcast Cares Day with the Aston Athletic Association to help restore the football and softball fields, along with cleaning out/up the clubhouse, located behind the Community Center. You can learn more about the project AND sign up here [www.comcastinthecommunity.com](http://www.comcastinthecommunity.com). It's easy to set up your own account to register.

If you wish to bring a group of volunteers, please reach out to Paul Dauphin at 610-368-2399, Micky Gonzalez at 484-802-1151, or Carolyn Patterson at 610-453-7135, and we will be happy to assist. We look forward to rolling up our sleeves with you on Comcast Cares Day.

## Camp Rainbow Registration Opens June 3

Camp Rainbow is a wonderful summer opportunity for the boys and girls of Aston Township. It is open to all Aston residents who will enter first grade through fifth grade in the fall and is brought to you by the Aston Township Board of Commissioners. Camp Rainbow is held Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - noon beginning Monday June 24 through Friday, August 2 for a total of six (6) weeks.

Registration will begin on Monday June 3 at the Aston Township Municipal Building, 5021 Pennell Road, Aston, Pa 19014 during normal business hours (8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.). Forms will be available there or visit <https://astontownship.net/2019-camp-rainbow-information/> for more information. Registration forms may also be mailed to the Township Building, please address them to the attention of Kelly Pippin. Accepted forms of payment are cash or check.

The Aston Township offices and Public Works Department will be closed on Monday, May 27 for Memorial Day. Monday's trash and recycling will be picked up on Tuesday, May 28.

### **Aston Seniors Upcoming Trips**

The Aston Seniors have a day trip to Huntingdon Hills Playhouse on Friday, May 17. We still have a few tickets available, if interested please contact Peggie at 610-872-3294.

Additionally we have a trip for 7 days and 6 nights Oct. 27 - Nov. 2 to include Amelia Island, St Augustine & Jacksonville, Florida. Trip includes 6 nights lodging (4 consecutive in FL), 10 meals ( 6 breakfast/4 dinners) guided tours, top-rated shows and much more. Cost \$700 per person (double occupancy) with deposit due on booking. This will go quickly. If you are interested, please contact Peggie at 610-872-3294 for additional details.

### **Sun Valley Alumni Association; Class of 1970 Contact Needed**

Calling on our Sun Valley Graduates to follow us on Face Book at Sun Valley High School Alumni. We are working toward building our scholarship fund and becoming a member to support the Alumni would be a great help. Our goal is to add 100 new alumni members by year end, membership is \$20 per calendar year.

For the past two years we have partnered with the class of fifty years ago toward building the scholarship amount. We are looking for a contact for the class of 1970 to work with us for the class of 2020. Please contact us at [sunvalleypaalumni@gmail.com](mailto:sunvalleypaalumni@gmail.com).

### **Aston Township Historical Society Presentation May 9**

Ever wonder about the beautiful old mansion at Fisher's Corner? The Aston Township Historical Society will present the Rhodes/Elser Mansion History and Photographs on Thursday, May 9 at 7 p.m. at the Aston Township Community Center on S. Concord Road.

After a brief meeting, ATHS President, Sheila Withelder, will enlighten all with her fascinating presentation of this important piece of Aston and Delaware County History. Find out all about the interesting people who called this house home.

Doors will open early at 6:30 p.m. so one may enjoy viewing all the display cases. The event is free and open to the public; however, donations are always appreciated. ATHS offers great volunteer opportunities.



John Ryan Jr. was appointed to the position of part-time probationary police officer. He must successfully pass a complete physical and psychological examination. Judge Diane Holefelder performed the swearing in ceremony while his parents looked on.

### **2019 Memorial Day Parade and Memorial Service May 27**

The Green Ridge Memorial American Legion Post #926 will hold the annual Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 27. The parade will begin at the Village Green Shopping Center on Concord Road at 10 a.m. and will proceed down Concord Road to the American Legion Post #926.

Memorial services will be held at the front of the Post building shortly after the arrival of all parade participants.

### **St. Joseph's to Host Cash Bingo May 4**

St. Joseph's will host an all cash Bingo on Saturday, May 4 at 7 p.m. in St. Joseph's Church gymnasium in Aston. There will be 21 chances to win money including 5 special games and a final game worth \$250! Also featuring door prizes, raffles, a 50/50 and more.

Food and drink will be available for purchase. Come join the fun on May 4! Proceeds benefit the local chapter of the Knights of Columbus. Contact Mario Ferrarelli at [KoC11782@gmail.com](mailto:KoC11782@gmail.com) for more information.

### **Shredding Event May 25**

Aston Township will be holding their annual shredding event on Saturday, May 25 from 9 a.m. - noon. This event is held at the Aston Township Community Center, 3270 Concord Road.

The shredding event is for Aston Township Residents ONLY.

### **Public Works Work Order Savings**

Public works replaced engine gaskets on zero-turn lawn mower. Two full time employees worked 8 hours on this, saving the Township more than \$700 as compared to a contractor.

Four full time employees worked 24 hours to paint the interior walls at the Old School House. This saved the Township \$1,950.

To submit an item to the newsletter, e-mail [newsletter@astontownship.net](mailto:newsletter@astontownship.net).  
Deadline for next issue is May 22.

### Public Works, Working for You

The Aston Public Works Department repaired and installed traffic curbing on Tryens and Concord Roads; mulched Weir Park Playground area with playground mulch; added topsoil and graded area in Left Field Foul Area at Weir Park Ball Field; and filled 135 potholes using two tons of cold asphalt.

### National Autism Awareness Month

The Board of Commissioners recognized the month of April as Autism Awareness Month. Autism Awareness Month represents an excellent opportunity to promote autism awareness, autism acceptance, and to draw attention to the tens of thousands facing an autism diagnosis each year.

Autism is treatable- children do not "outgrow" autism, but studies show that early diagnosis and intervention is the key to significantly improved outcome. Please join us by supporting a more inclusive world and staying involved all month long in recognizing Autism Awareness.

### Aston Senior Citizens Monthly Luncheons

Aston Township Seniors Association is open to residents of the Penn Delco School District (Aston, Brookhaven and Parkside) aged 52 plus. We meet once a month (usually the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month) from September - June.

Meetings start at 10:45 a.m., then an hour program/entertainment followed by a hot meal. We ask that those attending arrive between 10-10:30 a.m. so that everyone has time to check in, be seated, socialize, get your tickets for next month and we can start the meeting on time.

Our organization is open to both men and women so come join us and get to know some of your neighbors and make new friends. We plan day trips and week trips, as well as crochet/knit hats for babies, cancer patients and adult burn victims for Crozer Center as a service for our community.

Dues are \$10 per year. If you are interested in joining you may contact our

membership chairperson Anne Sweeny at 610-494-0677 and leave a voice mail message, your call will be returned.

### Elevate and Create Women's Forum May 13

From starting a business or side gig to climbing the corporate ladder, ELEVATE your career! CREATE your own path to success and advance yourself at this Delaware County Women's Forum. This event will be held on Monday, May 13 from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Springfield Country Club.

The Delaware County Women's Commission has teamed up with the County Economic Development Agency, Delaware County Commerce Center and the Delaware County Chamber of Commerce to offer a program focused on elevating women who want to advance in their careers, start their own business, or bring their business to the next level. This will be a full day of insight, experiences and peer to peer conversations. All women looking for that extra edge to get ahead in their career are invited to attend.

General Admission is \$50, but other discounts are available. To register, visit <https://delawarepacoc.wliinc32.com/events/ELEVATE-CREATE-56360/register>.

### Aston Valley to Host Cornhole Tournament Fundraiser

Aston Valley Baseball League will host a Denim and Diamonds Cornhole Tournament fundraiser on Saturday, May 18 from 7-10 p.m. at Neumann University Bruder Hall.

Tickets are \$35 per person or \$60 a couple. Food and beer will be provided, BYOB all other beverages.

### Appliance and Metal Collection

The Township Public Works Department provides curbside pickup service for residents seeking to dispose of old appliances or large metal trash items. This will run from May 6-10.

All items for metal and appliance collection must be placed at the curb by 6 a.m. on the day of your regular trash col-

## May Public Meetings and Special Events

### Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting

7 p.m. Thursday, May 2

### Public Works Meeting

1 p.m. Monday, May 6

### Ordinance Committee Meeting

3 p.m. Monday, May 6

### Work Session Meeting

2 p.m. Wednesday, May 8

### Board of Commissioners Meeting

7 p.m. Wednesday, May 15

### Planning Commission Meeting

7 p.m. Wednesday, May 22

### Zoning Hearing Board

7 p.m. Tuesday, May 28

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### ATFD Smoke Detector Assistance

Any resident needing smoke detectors, please contact the fire station at 610-494-6771 or email [fireprevention@atfd17.com](mailto:fireprevention@atfd17.com).

### Rockdale Art Center to Offer Summer Classes

Rockdale Art Center will offer a variety of classes for elementary through High School students including Comic Book Club, Summer Young Artists, and Summer Studio. Visit <http://www.rockdale-artcenter.com/youth-classes> or contact [director@rockdaleartcenter.com](mailto:director@rockdaleartcenter.com) or by calling or texting 1-484-843-1278.

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

## Free Kids Bingo May 28; Join a Movie Discussion Event!

Aston Public Library presents: Free Kids Bingo on Tuesday, May 28 at 6:30 p.m. This will also be a preview of our Summer Reading Program "A Universe of Stories."

Veronica Batter will teach a "Barn Quilt" painting session on Thursday, May 9 at 6 p.m. Choose from a variety of classic quilt blocks or receive guidance in making your own design. Choose your own colors and paint them onto a specially prepared 1ft x 1ft wood panel.

There will be a viewing and discussion of the film *The Wife* on Monday, May 20 at 11 a.m. A light lunch will be provided.

Free Chair Yoga classes will be Tuesdays at 2 p.m. starting May 14. Chair yoga is a gentle form of Yoga using a chair for support.

Dream interpreter Ken Kaplan will offer a program on "Connecting to Guides" Saturday, June 8 at 11 a.m. The program will discuss "Cosmic helpers" who can assist you through life's journey.

Your child can participate in the library's coloring contest. Pick up an entry at the library or on the website [www.astonlibrary.org](http://www.astonlibrary.org). The theme of the contest is A Universe of Stories. Winners will be displayed in the library!

Check out a kids' book by a local Aston author. Barry Wilbank's book, *Tommy and Tina Turtle: The Birthday!* is available in our children's area under the call number "E WIL." Barry is a 30 year Aston resident.

Have you always wanted to be an art-

### 2019 ABA Annual Golf Outing

The ABA will host the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual ABA Golf Outing on Wednesday, June 12 at the Downingtown County Club. Registration and sponsorship opportunities are available today. Registration and lunch begin at 11 a.m. and there is a shotgun start at noon. The event includes cocktails and dinner after the tournament, as well as awards for longest drive, closest to pin, and best foursome. There will also be raffles, a 50/50 drawing and door prize drawings.

The event was started after the events of September 11, 2001 as a way to remember and commemorate those events and find a way to acknowledge and honor our own local emergency response team. Proceeds from the event are donated to the Aston Township Fire Company and the Aston Police Department.

Visit <https://astonba.com/2019-aba-annual-golf-outing/> to learn more.

ist? Get on the list for our free painting classes by emailing Debbie at [debbie@astonlibrary.org](mailto:debbie@astonlibrary.org).

Pronunciator is the new language learning system available for free with your library card. Go to [www.delcolibraries.org](http://www.delcolibraries.org) and click on "Explore e-Resources" to access the Pronunciator system, which allows you to learn over 80 languages, plus learn English from your native language.

Are you looking for a book club? The library book club meets on Thursday, May 9 at 1 p.m. to discuss *My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry*. Stop by and try it out!

The Kids Can Build Club is at the Library on Tuesdays at 4 p.m. Your child can learn to build things using the library's Lego collection and other materials as well. All ages are welcome.

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 staff-made designs in our display case for our 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, infant time (up to 24 months) on Wednesdays at 10:30, and preschool time (ages 3-5) on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

Stop by Tuesdays at 11 a.m. to learn the art of crochet with our group with many levels of experience. Stop by



Ken Kaplan explains the meaning of dreams at the Library on Saturday, June 8 at 11 a.m.

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. for laptops and tablets.

More information and registration for all of our programs is available via the Calendar at [www.astonlibrary.org](http://www.astonlibrary.org).

Join the Friends of the Library. Go to [www.astonlibrary.org](http://www.astonlibrary.org) and click on "Join Our Friends" to send in your info. The Aston Public Library Board of Trustees will meet Tuesday, May 21 at 7 p.m. at the Library.

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.

### A Friendly Reminder from:

## SWDCMA

(Southwest Delaware County  
Municipal Authority)

Quarterly sewer service invoices  
are in the mail as of **April 30**  
and are due by **May 31**.

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 2466, Aston, PA 19014

Office Address: 1 Gamble Lane, Aston, PA 19014

Office Hours: M-F 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Office Phone: 610-494-1335

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# 2019 ABA Golf Outing

## June 12, 2019

Downingtown Country Club

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