

The PINEKNOTTER NEWS

PINEKNOTTER
DAYS ISSUE

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Pineknatter Days— Calling All Volunteers

Pineknatter Days is organized, coordinated, and staffed by volunteers. While the Northumberland - Point Township Kiwanis Club is the sponsor of Pineknatter Days, the Kiwanis Club and the Northumberland - Point Township Pineknatter Days Association remain totally separate entities/groups. All members of our surrounding communities are welcome to participate at the level they desire on this community project. For example, help is needed to set up

for Pineknatter Days; to help at Pineknatter stands during the week-long celebration, and to help with clean up after the event. Set-up work will begin at approximately 7:00 p.m., Thursday, June 26th. Help is needed to do such things as put up stands, run electrical wiring, and general cleaning. During the celebration help can be used at the following Pineknatter stands: the store, hot

dog trailer, soda stands, cake wheel, and the children's games. Volunteers are needed for the entire week as well as for an hour or two -- whatever your schedule allows. If you are un-

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able to work at one of the stands, perhaps you would consider making baked goods for use at

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Key Borough Committees Open to Membership

Your community needs you! The Borough of Northumberland is looking for a "few good men and women" to serve as volunteers on various committees within the borough.

The work you do on

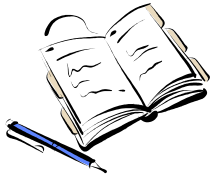
these committees will not only benefit the borough for the present but will impact the borough of the future.

To become a volunteer is to "offer yourself for a service of your own free will".

The following volunteer positions are open in the Borough:

Appeals Board: 2 vacancies. This committee meets if someone is appealing a decision by

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Pineknotter Days Schedule of Events

31st Annual Pineknotter Days

June 28-July 4, 2003

King Street Park, Northumberland

Welcome to the 31st Annual Pineknotter Days

The following events are scheduled to take place June 28th through July 4, 2003 in King Street Park except where noted:

Saturday, June 28th
SOAPBOX RACE 8am
sponsored by:
Northumberland Police Dept./ Parks & Recreation Committee
Starting at 4th and King Streets

Sunday, June 29th
COMMUNITY CHURCH SERVICE 7pm
King Street Park Gazebo

Monday, June 30th
Pineknotter Store & Concessions 6pm - 10pm
WVLY/WMLP LIVE BROADCAST
Pineknotter of the Year Award 8pm
ENTERTAINMENT: *RE-CREATION*
co-sponsored by: NORTHUMBERLAND NATIONAL BANK

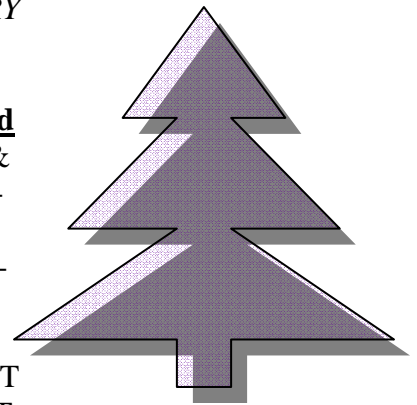
Independence Day Schedule
Join us all day on the Fourth of July!
Pineknotter Store & Concessions 9am - 10pm
CRAFT SHOW 9am - 4pm
BALLOON ANIMAL ARTIST 10am - 2pm
CHICKEN BBQ 11am
WVLY/WMLP LIVE BROADCAST 8am - Noon
TYPICAL YOUTH 4pm
EVENING ENTERTAINMENT: *SHAMA-LAMA*

Tuesday, July 1st
Pineknotter Store & Concessions 6pm - 10pm
EAGLE 107/94KX LIVE BROADCAST
ENTERTAINMENT: *TRUE HEART*

PINEKNOTTER DAYS
Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Northumberland - Point Township
Proceeds Benefit Community Service Projects

Wednesday, July 2nd
Pineknotter Store & Concessions 6pm - 10pm
BIG COUNTRY RADIO NETWORK
ENTERTAINMENT: *MCNETT COUNTRY BAND*

Thursday, July 3rd
Pineknotter Store & Concessions 6pm - 10pm
CAR SHOW 6pm - 9pm
EAGLE 107/94KX LIVE BROADCAST
ENTERTAINMENT: *MUD FLAPS*



A Mayor's Message by Gretchen H. Brosius

It was an especially long winter and a very wet spring but now summer is upon Northumberland. One of the highlights of the spring was our First Annual History Day celebration. Thanks to Karen Nogle and her Northumberland-Point Township Revitalization Committee, the event was a great success and a great deal of fun. The summer will bring a new water slide to Liberty Splashland. I thank Greg Carl and all who have helped him in getting the pool ready for the new season. Pineknotted Park is near ready to welcome back baseball and I thank Northumberland Police Chief Larry Redington and volunteer Mike Daddario along with their dedicated volunteers for

spear-heading that effort. As we celebrate Northumberland's 175 years as an incorporated borough it is again good for us to remember the rich history we have here and that the heart of our community has always been its committed volunteers. This volunteer spirit has become known over the years as a Pineknotted. And again this year, I remember with great pride and thanksgiving the volunteers of the past, the present and the future.

With summer comes Pineknotted Days in Northumberland. This is another event that would not exist without countless volunteers. Thank you, Pineknotted Committee and Kiwanis for all you do in

this community. Your countless donations, raised at events such as this, help fund many projects in Northumberland, and that volunteerism has been greatly appreciated. As citizens we need to support these organizations with our time and our attendance. Welcome to Pineknotted Days 2003!

In closing, let us remember to be in prayer for not only our community but also our nation. As we celebrate our country's 227th birthday we have many service personnel on foreign soil protecting freedom. Ask God for their protection; thank Him for our freedom and the many blessings we enjoy. Enjoy your summer.

Gretchen

"The heart of our community has always been its committed volunteers. This volunteer spirit has become known over the years as a Pineknotted."

- Mayor Brosius

You may contact Mayor Brosius at 473-3414; her email address is: mayor@Northumberlandborough.com

Writers Needed

We at *The Pineknotted News* are looking for writers for upcoming issues. If you would be interested in submitting articles, please contact us at 473-3414. Articles about the upcoming "Nightmare on 2nd Street", the General Election and the like are to be included in our Autumn Issue. Contact us today!

Advertising—in Print Edition



The General Election is Tuesday, November 4.

Not Running

Neither of the current Democratic majority commissioners—Allen Cwalina or Charles Lewis, who resigned recently—are seeking reelection this year. Their term will end in January.

Liberty Splashland

June 4– August 25,
2003

Open Daily
(weather permitting)*

Daily Rates:

General Admission, \$3
Senior Citizen, \$2
Under 5, Free

*check website or pool
office for daily hours
(www.libertysplashland.com)

Election 2003: Incumbents Hold-off Challengers

The 2003 primary election saw three Borough Council incumbents hold off strong challenges by two former mayors to secure their party's nominations heading into the general election.

Judith H Groninger, Gregory Shaffer and Charles "Bud" Ditton finished 1-2 and 3 respectively ahead of former mayors, Wendell Wetzel and Robert Stahl in the May 20 primary. All five candidates are Republi-

cans; the three nominated candidates will face no Democrat challengers on the November 4 general election, since no Democrats sought a nomination.

County-wide, Republicans selected incumbent Sam Detrick and newcomer Kurt Masser to represent their party in the race for Commissioner in the fall campaign. The team of Detrick and Masser will face two Democratic newcomers, Vinny Clausi and

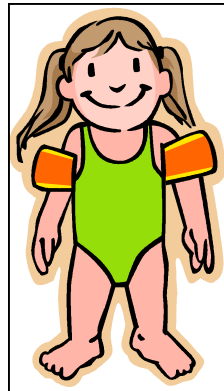
Frank Sawicki. The top three Commissioner candidates in the general election will each serve four-year terms beginning in January. Neither of the current Democratic majority commissioners—Allen Cwalina or Charles Lewis, who resigned recently—sought reelection this year.

Liberty Splashland, Open for Summer

Summer is here, school is out, and the pool is opened.

We invite you to spend some time here this summer relaxing in the sun (lounge chairs are available) and cooling off in the water. A new addition to the park this year is a drop slide apparatus. Bring the kids and have some fun on the slides, in the pool, and under the "Dump Tower". Check out our Special Events Calendar and plan for an evening of fun.

2003 Rates: Season



Pass rates are \$150 per family and \$75 per individual. A One Day General Admission pass (Ages 5 and up), including the drop slides, is \$4.00. A One Day Basic Admission pass (Ages 5 and up), without the drop slides, is \$3.00. Rates are half price after 4:00 p.m. Children under age 5 are free. Group rates (20 or more) are \$2.25 for Basic Admission and \$3.25 for General Admission. Additional

discounts are available for groups numbering 50+.

Adult Lap Swim: Lap lanes are open from 12:00pm to 12:30pm and 5:30pm to 6:30pm. The lanes are reserved for our adults during these times so they can swim without restriction. The diving area, shallow end, volleyball court and Dump Tower is available for those younger swimmers during lap swim. The cost is just \$2.00 a day or buy a season lap lane pass for \$45.00.

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From the President of Borough Council

After a crazy spring (preceded by a unbelievably cold and wet winter), it looks like summertime is finally upon us. Of course, that means the time has come for outdoor barbecues, afternoon swimming at Liberty Splashland and once again the annual festival we call Pineknotted Days.

Now in its 31st year, Pineknotted Days has always been a time when friends and families alike renew their community bond by getting together with others to celebrate all that is good in our Borough. For one short week, hundreds of people—both those living in, and those living

around the Borough come to listen to great music, eat delicious food and to have a little change-of-pace.

But Pineknotted Days isn't just about good food, the annual Fourth of July craft fair or about listening to the *Mudflaps*. Rather, thanks to its sponsor, the Northumberland-Point Township Kiwanis organization, Pineknotted Days gives back to its community thanks to the generous support the event receives yearly. Kiwanis regularly uses the proceeds from this event to promote and sponsor projects around Northumberland which ultimately benefits all of us.

So, over the course of the next week, I invite each of you to King Street Park to have a good time, while giving back to the community.

So, surely come to the Craft Fair, relax to some great entertainment, and of course, sample the terrific food. There is a lot to see and do, so it might be best to make a week of it!

So from our family to yours, welcome!

Bryan M. Wolfe,
President,

Northumberland
Borough Council



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President of
Council,
Bryan M.
Wolfe

Key Borough Committees Open to Membership

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the Code Enforcement office.

Planning Commission: 1 vacancy. This committee does not meet on a regular basis.

They meet to review subdivision plans when such plans are presented.

Recreation Committee: 2 vacancies. This committee meets once a month.

The first History Day was held in the King Street Park on May 10, 2003. This one-day event was very successful. Plans are already on the drawing board for a History Day, 2004. They too are in need of volun-

teers. The number of volunteers needed is unlimited. You may choose to serve the committee throughout the year, attending meetings to plan next year's event or volunteer to help out just for a day. Mark May 8, 2004, tentatively set as the date for next year's History Day, on your calendar.

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Get Involved

Vacancies exist on the Planning Commission as well as on the Parks and Recreation Commission. In addition, the Appeals Board is looking for individuals to serve. A few hours of your time a month is all we ask! Get involved in your community today.

Pineknotter Days Cake Wheel

Donations of cakes and other baked goods are being sought for the Pineknotter Days Cake Wheel. If you are willing to make a donation, please contact Jane at 473-8343 to sign up. Cakes are requested for Monday to Thursday evenings and Friday, Independence Day, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

“On behalf of the History Day Committee I’d like to thank all the local businesses that helped us by sending monetary donations or made in-kind donations.”

- Karen Nogle

You Missed a Terrific Time!

First Annual History Day - May 10, 2003

I hate to say it, but if you didn’t attend Northumberland-Point Township First Annual History Day, you missed a great time!

I wish to thank everyone who donated even one minute to our success. Of course, we know it was millions of minutes that made this work. There were many people who donated their time, energy and personal resources to make sure this day was a complete success. Some of these people were committee members and some were “behind the scenes” helping us in their special way.

On behalf of the History Day Committee I’d like to thank all the local businesses that helped us by sending monetary donations or made in-kind donations. There were also some advertising plans out there we didn’t know about and it was very helpful!

The History Day Committee planned and organized this event in 90

days. We have already started our meetings for next year. Imagine what we can accomplish with a whole year of planning!

We received a lot of positive feedback from our day. People were constantly saying, “This is what the town needs” and “We need more of this kind of stuff!”.

There is a lot of pride in the hearts of our townspeople. We need to give them more of these activities....ideas are welcome if you have a new one brewing!

We hope you had a chance to experience History Day. The Historic Walking Tour brochure made its big debut. If you didn’t get a copy, you can pick one up at the Joseph Priestley House. David Ramsey shared his stories on the lifestyles of the Native Americans from our area. Michele Fink and Denise Gulliver hosted a lovely Civil War Era Tea Party.

Dixie Gavason’s 7th grade students from CW Rice Middle School and Ed Thomas’ 4th grade students from Sunbury Christian

Academy did a great job sharing all they have learned. The students were really into their games and historical stories. Hope you had a chance to see them perform in the Gazebo. They didn’t even look nervous! Mrs. Gavason and Mr. Thomas surely have a lot to be proud of.

Point Township was well represented by Glenda Strouse who displayed old maps and historical farming information. Alice and Elnora (Furman) put on a great display of some antique canning items from Furman Foods.

Right next door to them was The Augusta Regiment. They shared their information in display and programs throughout the day. The fashion show in the Gazebo helped us understand how the soldiers dressed and what function many parts of their uniform held.

The horse and carriage rides were very popular! The Northumberland Fire Police were extremely helpful in directing traffic for the

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rides. Robin Bolig and Charlie Attinger represented the Northumberland Fire Company #1 and put out a great display of their historic items from the Fire Company.

Mayor Gretchen Brosius displayed her Bicentennial Quilt in the Gazebo. That's the first

it's been on display in almost 30 years! There are 30 panels on the quilt and each one has a different part of Northumberland history shown with a description of why it was chosen.

Third, Fourth and Fifth grade students at Priestley Elementary School made posters to promote History Day. There were 1st and 2nd

place prizes for each grade. Thanks so much to the Friends of Joseph Priestley for donating the prizes for our poster contest. The kids looked very excited to get their awards and to meet Dr. Priestley! They were especially proud of their artwork.

The Fiddler Lady shared her songs and
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History Day '04

The tentative date of next year's event is Saturday, May 8, 2004. For more information, please contact Karen Nogle at nogle@jdweb.com.

Advertising Available

Order Now and...

Get Your Message Online for
FREE for 3 months!



Special Offer

Submit advertising for the Autumn issue of *The Pineknottter News* and receive a free ad on our website for three months!

As part of this special promotion, you will receive ad space on our Borough website located at www.northumberlandborough.com

This is the first time that we have solicited advertising on our web site so be one of the first to do it!

But hurry, this offer expires September 1, 2003!

The Pineknottter News—Autumn 2003 Advertising Form

Ordered	Ad Size	Price	Subtotal
<input type="checkbox"/>	1/4 Page Ad	\$80	
<input type="checkbox"/>	1/2 Page Ad	\$120	
<input type="checkbox"/>	FULL PAGE AD	\$160	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Online Ad—3 months	FREE WITH ABOVE ORDER!!!*	

* ads for our web site will be priced at \$80 for three months; we have the right to decide where to place all ads.

Method of Payment

- Check enclosed
 Bill Me

Order total: _____

Name of Company _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Signature _____

*Send your information
to us no later than
September 1, 2003*

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From the Health Officer...

Do you realize that there are similarities between health care providers and food handlers? The health care providers are dedicated to saving lives and keeping us healthy, while the food handlers are expected to provide us with safe wholesome food. If either professional does not follow proper sanitary policies, they can cause illness and or death. Hand washing is a major source for spreading

germs and bacteria. Health care providers need to wash hands between patients and after other tasks that can contaminate hands. The food handlers need to wash hands after eating, smoking, cleaning, handling dirty dishes or using the restroom.

These same rules apply to us in our everyday lives, and in our homes. In the home, we have readily available hot water and soap to wash hands; but at a picnic, or outdoor activities this is not always possible. There are some alternatives; however,

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Picture Perfect: History Day 2003



With The Fiddler Women in the background, Northumberland Mayor Gretchen H. Brosius enjoys History Day—in full period piece attire.



Equally fashionably dressed, Northumberland Police Officer Tim Fink took part in History Day.

What is a Pineknotter?

It happens every year. Northumberland welcomes people to Pineknotter Days and they begin asking. What exactly is a PINEKNOTTER?

The late George Donachy, a friend to many in this Borough, told an out-of-town acquaintance one time what he felt defined the word Pineknotter. Let's just say that his

definition stuck.

We print that definition here as a tribute to George, and to all those Pineknotters that have left us but will certainly never be forgotten.

A Pineknotter

"Pine" is a versatile evergreen, "Knot" is a hard piece of wood growing from a branch. We have been and will be versatile

and hard. The "**Pine Tree**" gives us a vision of pride, standing erect. The "**Knot**" strength...The will to win.

- Source:
Northumberland Alumni Book, 1883-1965



It may be the middle of summer, but preliminary plans for the 2003 Haunted House "**Nightmare on 2nd Street**" are underway.

This event has grown in popularity every year. For the past few years, Greg Carl has been designing the rooms that

make your skin crawl.

This year, he is willing to let some more of you in on the fun. We are looking for four adults to each take charge of one room. You may design it all yourself, or invite your friends to help. All the materials you need will be provided. You provide the ingenuity and build the room! Construction will begin around September 1st for the three weekends of haunted fun – Oct. 17, 18, 24, 25, 31 and Nov. 1.

Where else can you scare people out of their wits and not get in trouble??? We are also looking for someone to take charge of the advertising for this worthwhile fundraiser. Call Greg Carl at 473-7265 to join in and become a Haunted House volunteer.

Come Join The Fun

The Northumberland Recreation Committee



will sponsor crafts and games for ages 5 through 5th grade on each Wednesday morning from 9:00 to 11:30 starting June 18 and ending July 23.

Registration forms are available at the Borough Office, 221 2nd St.

or Register first day. NO FEE .

If you have questions please call 473-9426 – Mayor Brosius at 473-9426 or the Borough Office at 473-3414.

This event will be held at the Girl Scout House.

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Liberty Splashland, Open for Summer

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Junior Lifeguard Program: This program is designed to give youths from ages 11-15 the experiences of a day lifeguard. This program does not certify kids to be a lifeguard, but does give them an inside view of what the day of a lifeguard is like. Each group will have 5 slots available per week. Three one-week sessions will be available in July. The program will focus on lifeguard training. This is done through swim-

ming, dry land workouts, emergency water safety, CPR basics, assisting lifeguards, customer service, relay competitions, guest speakers, and some recreational time. Participants will receive a free t-shirt that must be worn each day of camp and a swimming suit. Bring sun block, goggles, a towel and dry cloth. Food can be purchased at our concession stand.

The sessions will be held the weeks of July 14, July 21, and July 28, Monday through Friday, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The price is \$40.00. Reservations must be made at least one week in advance. Call 473-1993.

Birthday Parties: We offer a birthday party package during normal park hours. In addition to the use of the pool, lounges, inner tubes, picnic tables, and Dump Tower, each person attending the party will get a slice of pizza,

a bag of chips, and a 16-ounce soda. You provide the cake and decorations. The price for a party of 15 is \$75 for Basic Admission or \$90 for General Admission.

Private Parties: Rent the entire park for 2 to 3 hours between the hours of 6:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. Phone the pool (473-1993) for the various rates. Bring your own food or choose to have your party catered by the

Liberty Café. We offer a choice of meals – Pizza; Hot Dog; or Hamburger. Each meal includes a bag of chips and a 16 ounce soda. Perfect party food!

Volunteers Welcomed: The Pool Association is in need of volunteers to help organize fund-raisers for the Water Park. We are hoping for at least 20 volunteers. Interested parties can call the Northumberland Bor-

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Advertising in Print Edition

Sidewalk Project Continues in Borough

The Borough's sidewalk beautification project continues this summer with the following deadlines quickly approaching:

2nd Ward

Property owners in the 2nd ward (those voting at the Girl Scout House) have until **October 31** to fully comply with this project. After October 31, owners who fail to comply will be subject to a fine and other penalties.

3rd Ward

Property owners in the 3rd ward (those voting at the Kiwanis Building) have until **July 1**,

to submit a request for a one-year extension or total exemption. The date to comply is **October 31, 2003 or October 31, 2004 for those seeking an extension.**

1st Ward

Property owners in the 1st ward (those voting at the Borough Office), have until **July 1, 2004** to seek a 1-year extension or total exemption. The date to comply is **October 31, 2004 or October 31, 2005 for those seeking an extension.**

What Does This Mean?

In 2002, Borough Council approved a

three-year program to improve the sidewalks in the Borough for safety reasons. This plan requires owners of property to install, replace or repair sidewalks on their properties on a time frame based on the three voting wards. Built into the plan are one-year extensions at the owner's request, plus the right to seek a total exemption from the rules which may or may not be granted. Specific rules associated with this program are available in the Borough Office or on our web site.

Contact the Code Enforcement Office for more information.



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If you have any questions, please contact the Code Enforcement Office today.

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The **History Day committee** is a sub-committee of the Northumberland-Point Township Revitalization Committee. This committee meets once a month. They are currently undertaking the King Street Park Beautification Project. You

are encouraged to join this committee to share your ideas for community improvements.

The **Second Street School Committee** also needs volunteers. This is an on-going project to refurbish the Second Street School. The building may eventually house the Northumberland Po-

lice Department and a community center. This committee which meets on Monday evenings could use your help as a volunteer.

To learn more about any of these committees and apply for any of the openings, please contact the Borough office at 473-3414.

Fire Companies In Need

Both local fire companies— the Northumberland Fire Company Number 1 and the Northumberland Hook and Ladder Company are in need of volunteers to support fire operations. Please contact each of the fire companies for more information:

No. 1's-473-8621

Hookies – 473-1975

Advertising; in print edition

Pineknotted Days 2003

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the cake wheel. Please consider becoming involved in this yearly event that benefits community service projects throughout Northumberland and Point Township. For more information, please contact Tom Propst at 473-3467 or Brenda Apple at 473-3088.

Pineknotted Store Again Open

Once again, the Pineknotted store will be offering a large variety of items from

which to choose. Help support various efforts of the town by shopping at the store located near the gazebo during Pineknotted Days.

From caps, t-shirts and sweatshirts to Boyds bears and jewelry, the store is sure to have something for everyone.

This year the Pineknotted store will be offering sterling silver pinecone charms and earrings (last year's were pewter) and also pine tree charms. A sterling silver charm bracelet with charm is available for \$14.00. In addition,

be sure to pre-order a seven inch bracelet that spells out your choice of either Northumberland or Norry in sterling silver block letters. The cost of the Norry bracelet is \$14.00 while Northumberland will be \$18.00. Pre-orders are appreciated by calling Charmaine Welby at 473-9719 or e-mail at charmmaine@beadretreat.com.

Jan Bowman, borough secretary, can be seen modeling the bracelet!

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Help With Pineknotted Days

For more information, please contact Tom Propst at 473-3467 or Brenda Apple at 473-3088.



Advertising; in print edition

All meetings are in the Borough Office, unless otherwise noted. We welcome all visitors and residents to these meetings.

Upcoming Borough Council Meetings

July 2003

15—Regular Meeting, 7 p.m. (Tuesday night)

August 2003

5—Regular Meeting*, 7 p.m. (Tuesday night)

19—Regular Meeting*, 7 p.m. (Tuesday night)

September 2003

2—Regular Meeting, 7 p.m. (Tuesday night)

16—Regular Meeting, 7 p.m. (Tuesday night)

BOROUGH OFFICES CLOSED

The borough building

will be closed on Friday, July 4th for the Independence Day holiday. In addition, the offices will be closed on Monday, September 1 for Labor Day.

** Meetings in August will be held at Liberty Splashland, weather permitting.*

Special Events Planned

Look on the Back Page for special events happening at Liberty Splashland during the months of July and August such as Liberty Fear Factor and more!

Liberty Splashland, Open for Summer

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ough Office at 473-3414 for more information.

Purchase a Brick: Personalized bricks are still available for the new Family Aquatic Center, which is on the draw-

ing board. Bricks are on sale at the Borough Office. They can be

personalized with the name of your business, organization, or that of an



individual. In the 1970's the bathhouse was built with blocks purchased through this type of program. This personalized sidewalk will be located at the exit of the new bather prep area. There again, call the Northumberland Borough Office for more information at 473-3414.

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 NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY
 DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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History Day 2003: You Missed a Terrific Time

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stories from the Susquehanna River and had some toes tappin'!

Dana Ramsey hosted a wonderful program in her circa 1820 home on Open Hearth Cooking. She had roast beef and roast duck, potato pie, lemon and rosemary sponge cake and lots of great conversation. John Deppen's program

in the cemetery was very informative and well attended. He spoke of the many war heroes from Northumberland. Mike McWilliams had quite a gathering for his slide show presentation on the canal history of Norry.

We truly appreciate all the wonderful things said about our first History Day. We wish to add more next year and

have already started planning. If you have any ideas or can volunteer for the day, please feel free to join us! You can check meeting dates and times on the website, www.northumberlandborough.com, or by calling the borough office.

-Karen Nogle, Chairperson, History Day

Our Next Issue:

Autumn 2003

The next issue of *The Pineknott News* will be published in mid-October.

Those wishing to send articles for submission or wish to have ads published in this issue, please do so by Friday, September 12.

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From the Health Officer...

not a total substitute, but it will at least eliminate dirt and most bacteria. The substitutes are anti-bacterial hand wipes or lotions and everyone should get in the habit of using them when hot water and soap is not available (cold water rinse does not remove bacteria or get rid of grime or grease).

Food borne illness can occur anywhere. A good example is a recent event. Golfers and even non-golfers who follow Tiger Wood's golf career will recall the recent Bay Hill Invitational Golf Tournament where Tiger not only battled his competitor on the course but also battled a case of severe food poisoning. To top it off, it was reported in the media that his girlfriend had prepared the meal that made them both sick! This story drives home the importance of home food safety.

Important points to

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For Sure: Liberty Pool now Liberty Splashland

It seemed as though the tough winter would never be over and as soon as spring got here we want it to be summer. Well, the hot weather is on the way, or here, and in anticipation, the Northumberland Parks and Recreation Commission has been working diligently to bring lots of new things to the pool. Ask the 5000 people that at-

click on the "our future" tab for a look into the future of the Family Aquatic Center. Everyone knows the less idle time kids have to get into trouble; this helps them from doing just that. It is our goal to provide a facility that not only gives kids more fun things to do but also make parents say "hmmm...I think I'll go too."

and 8 times our current attendance.

One thing of interest is the inland surfing attraction known as the Flow Rider. There are only 7 of these in the country. This would be a great addition with a lazy river surrounding it.

For all of you that are afraid that your taxes are going to go up...don't worry! We will be applying for grants for this regional park and the study shows that the revenues generated by those that attend will MORE than likely pay for itself.

Having said that, how about joining the efforts and contributing some time and energy to make this a reality. We need housewives, teachers, parents, business people, and whoever else to join in to form a fund raising committee that is organized enough to keep this project rolling. If you feel that your family (including children & grandchildren), friends, and neighbors deserve to have this great park, then give us a call at the Borough Office today. Personalized bricks are available for sale as a fundraiser at the pool. See you there!

Greg Carl

Next Up:

A Flow Rider

Visit www.wavewaterpark.com
www.watermania-florida.com,
 or www.wavetheplanet.com

to see one in action

tended last year and they will tell you there were nice changes. 2003 means even more. The Liberty Pool is now named Liberty Splashland because of the changes so far and the changes to come. This year there is a new name, new look, new lounges (80 all together), new food, new drop slides into the deep well, new faces, new programs, and new events like Liberty Fear Factor!

Visit our website for all of our information and

The feasibility study for this park was done by one of the leading firms in waterpark economics, a member of the World Waterpark Association and contributor to Splash Magazine. That study showed we do not have the demographics to sustain a huge park, (obviously we don't have the room for that). But we can support a smaller regional-sized park that we are proposing that can handle between 25,000 and 40,000 people each season. That's between 5

Memorial Gardens Unveiled At Park

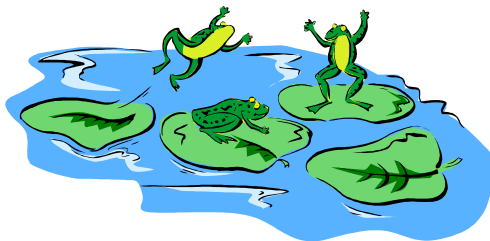
The Memorial Garden Project at the south end of King Street Park is well underway! There were many setbacks, most of them revolving around the weather.

There are many people to be thanked for their generous donations and hard work. Jim Kadryna, A Touch of Class Landscape designed the project and has donated many hours. He will be installing a beautiful pond with a fountain that was donated by Strong Industries, who wanted to make a contribution to our community. In addition, Borough Council and the Mayor should be commended for offering time and support to this endeavor. The Borough Street Crew has been extremely helpful in coordinating the initial work that needed to be done and also by volunteering their personal time and resources to get the job in progress.

Geraldine Mertz Seward and Eleanor Mertz have made the memorial garden section of this project possible!

Their family has always been fond of the outdoors and they saw this as a wonderful way to honor their family and give back to Northumberland.

Matt Herrold and his crew at Herrold & Sons Masonry have worked diligently on preparing the block for the beautiful bulletin board-style sign that will announce community happenings. Central Builders generously donated the block for



the foundation of the sign. An addition was made to the base of the sign so waterfalls will spill over, adding to the peaceful and beautiful surroundings. Park benches will be out front and throughout the garden so visitors can enjoy the atmosphere. Other volunteers and kind donations received were the moving of the Gettysburg Address.

Zartman Construction came in with their crane, which was coordinated by Norman Koch of Sunbury Monumental Works and Dick Simpson.

When there was a small problem with the equipment, Ron Boyer of Boyer Machine came to the rescue and made repairs so they could finish the job! Thanks to all! The Gettysburg Address has found a new home at the Gazebo. It looks wonderful and will be getting a "facelift" by

Ian Keefer who is working on becoming an Eagle Scout.

We are confident when this project is finished that it will be a beautiful

addition to King Street Park as well as welcoming people into Northumberland! It's an active place, surrounded by charming architecture on each corner. Watch for our announcement to dedicate the Memorial Garden when it is complete!

-Karen Nogle
Co-Chair
Northumberland-Point
Township Revitalization
Committee

From the Health Officer...

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follow:

- Clean hands – wash with hot water and soap, and dry with clean, disposable towels.
- Proper food handling:
- Hot food maintained at or above 140 degrees Fahrenheit
- Cold food stored and held at or below 40 degrees Fahrenheit
- Do not thaw food at room temperature
- At outdoor picnics, if food is left out for more than 2 hours, throw it away!

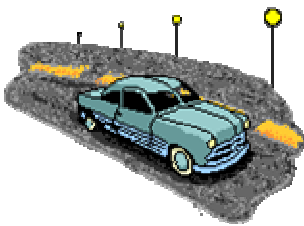
Note: Foods exposed outdoors attract flies and bacteria. Flies spread bacteria. Remember, you don't know where that fly last sat. Bacteria multiply and grow well in the temperature range between 40 degrees and 140 degrees Fahrenheit.

At home, and in your yard, eliminate any pools or puddles of standing waste water which are breeding grounds for mosquitoes.

Lee Shaffer,
Health Officer

Street Projects are Moving Forward

Improving the Borough streets has been one of the top priorities of this Borough Council. In recent years, sections of Fourth Street, Strawbridge Road and Priestley Avenue were paved. Last year, a new storm water system was installed from Prince and Fifth Streets to Penn Street. Although the new drainage system is not visible, it is vital to improving the roadways in the Borough.



The Street Committee has developed a three-year plan. This year, the council has awarded a contract to have new curbing installed along Fifth Street in various areas between Hanover and King Streets. Reclamation and paving will be completed from Prince Street to Queen Street. Reclamation is a process that involved

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Pineknotter Days

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Fourth of July Craft Sale

Shoppers come from miles around to browse the crafts at the Fourth of July Crafts Sale. Vendors line the streets around the park to show off their handi-crafts to the thousands that brave the crowds and the heat. This year's vendors include past favorites such as the broom maker, hand-made jewelry, ceramics, candles, homemade candies, decoupage items, pictures and framing. New offerings include homemade dog and cat biscuits, stained glass items, teddy bears, and

animals that open into hand-painted T shirts. Don't forget to check out the Christmas and garden items or the painted slates. The vendors open for business at 9:00 a.m. and close at 4:00 p.m. Come early for the best selection! The list of items available is changing daily and we cannot guarantee that the piece or pieces you want will be available, so hurry!

Pineknotter of the Year Award

Once again, the organizers of Pineknotter Days will announce the Pineknotter of the Year award. This honor will

be announced on Monday, June 30th at 8 p.m. in King Street Park. Who will it be?

What's Your Favorite Pineknotter Days memory?

After more than thirty years, many memories of Pineknotter Days past exist with many of us. We are interested in knowing about those memories, and hope to use them in a future publication. Email your Pineknotter Days memories to

office@

northumberland
borough.com

2003 Summer Recreation Program

- WHO:** For students who have just finished Kindergarten to students who have just finished 7th Grade
- WHAT:** Outdoor activities (wiffleball, basketball, kickball, etc.) supervised by college students
- WHERE:** At the courts above the C.W. Rice Middle School
- WHEN:** Weekday mornings now through August 8th (nice weather only)
- WHY:** For FUN!

Good To Know—News You Can Use

The Northumberland Borough Council adopted the **International Property Maintenance Code** on April 15, 2003. This code replaces the formerly used BOCA code. The new code adoption is a national code that governs the standards for construction, electrical, housing-property maintenance and plumbing work/

If you are planning improvement or renovation of your property, contact the Code Enforcement Officer at 473-3414 to see if a permit is necessary...

With the end of the school year, parents should be aware of the codes in effect within the Borough pertaining to offences that involve children. **Minor children under the age of 17** are not allowed on the streets, walkways, roads, alleys, parks or playgrounds, public buildings, vacant lots or other unsupervised places within the Borough between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a. m. of the following day. A child being out between these hours

must be accompanied by a responsible adult or care giver or be on an emergency or legitimate business errand...

With the **grass-cutting season** upon us it would be well to again acquaint yourself with the grass-cutting regulation. It prohibits the disposal of grass clippings, leaves, brush, trash, debris, or waste from yard maintenance or gardening into the streets, alleys, and other public roads of the Borough. This will cause unwanted waste material to wash into the storm sewers. Any grass or waste inadvertently placed in the streets or alleys "shall" be promptly removed; there will be no "grace period" for the removal of grass and leaves. Also, it shall be presumed that grass clippings, leaves, or yard waste placed in front of a person's property shall be the responsibility of the property owner...

Bryan Wolfe, Chairman of the Finance Committee, has announced the Finance

Committee meeting dates to draft the Borough's **2004 calendar budget**. These meetings, held at the Borough Building, are advertised and the public is welcomed to attend:

-Wed., JULY 30, Regular meeting
-Wed., AUGUST 13, Revenue Meeting
-Wed., SEPT. 10, Departmental Meetings
Wed., OCTOBER 1, Dept. Meeting/Revenue Meeting
Wed., NOVEMBER 12, Committee Approval meeting

All committee meetings are at 6:30 p.m. and are subject to change with notice. The Finance Committee will be presenting the proposed budget to the full council on Tuesday, November 18, when the first council vote on 2004 Budget will occur. The second and final council vote on the budget will be cast at the Tuesday, December 2nd council meeting.

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scraping the macadam from the street, combining it with new material and laying it back down on the roadway, grading and compacting for a strong base. This process is accomplished with one machine. After the reclamation, the street will be paved with a bit-binder course, ID-2. Next summer, 1½ inches of top coat will be added.

Other projects scheduled for next summer are to pave Fourth Street from Sheetz Avenue to below King Street and King Street between Third and Fourth Streets. Improvements to the storm water system on Orange Street will be made in 2004 with the paving of this street projected for the summer of 2005.

Citizens will be told when and if changes to this schedule occur. For questions, contact Streets Chairman Donald Troxell in the Borough Office.

Liberty Splashland 2003—Special Events Schedule

July & August
www.libertysplashland.com

July

10 – Karaoke Night
(rain date: July 11)

11 – Family Night
(rain date: July 12)

19 – Liberty Fear Factor Day (rain date: July 20)

25 – Adult Party Night

August

7 – Splash Bash Night (rain date: August 8)

16 – Liberty Fear Factor Day

21 – Lip Sync Contest

25 – Final Day of Season

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