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HAPPENINGS

April 27 - Baseball Tournament 11:00 am Pineknotter Park

May 21 - 17857.org Mtg

June 4 - Liberty Splashland Opens

June 15 - Touch a TRUCK 10 am - 2 pm King Street Park

June 15 - Goodfoot Concert 6:30 pm King Street Park

July 22 - Sunbury City Band 7 pm King Street Park

August 3 - Lemonade Day

ARC Blood Drives May 2, 2012



Christ United Methodist Church, Front & King Sts 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

SUSQUEHANNA RIVER CLEANUP MAY 4TH

By Zach Stotter

Last Spring, the Susquehanna River Cleanup Project was able to put more than forty volunteers, including borough residents, to work cleaning up the Susquehanna River from the Chillisquaque Creek to the Point. During this cleanup, volunteers removed more than 30 bags of garbage as well as dumpster full of recyclables, and nearly five hundred pounds of scrap metals.



ough residents and businesses to support our cause, as it is one that we believe is vital to us all. This year the cleanup will run the same route as last year with the exception that volunteers will be picked up and shuttled from the Sunbury Waterfront to our starting location and will make their way back to that spot to deposit what they've gathered. At the conclusion of the cleanup, there will be

Beardog 12:45 - 1:30 Emmy & Dylan Whitehill 1:30 - 2:15 Monkey & The Engineers 2:15 - 3:15 Bruce Barr 3:15 - 4:15 Burgess, Mitchell & Seal 4:15 - 6:15

lunch provided for volunteers as well as a celebratory concert open to all to be held at the new amphitheater. The concert will feature several bands and is scheduled to ក៏ភភភភភភភភភភភភភភភភភភភភភភភភភភភិ start at approximately

2:00 pm and last into the early evening.

It is our hope that Northumberland and other valley residents will join us not only in cleaning our river, but also in sharing a sense of togetherness in this community we call the Central Susquehanna Valley.

To register, or for more details on times, meeting places, and donating to the cause, go to susquehannacleanup.com or email us susqrivercleanupproject@gmail.com. We hope to see you soon!

OPEN HOUSE @ HISTORY HALLS

By Gretchen Brosius

An open house to view the Second Street Community Center's, Second And Orange Streets, latest displays will be open on Sunday Afternoon, May 26.

The times are set from 2 pm to 4 pm. All other times are during Borough Office hours, Monday thru Friday 9:00 am until 5 pm. Wed. the office closes at noon. All week the office closes for lunch from noon until 1 pm.

Future displays will include Lithia Springs and Ray Yocum artistry. Don't forget to send in those items that you think should be displayed and kept as part of Northumberland/Point Township History. Thank you to all who have helped in anyway.

RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Both the Borough and Point Twp. have applied to Pennsylvania's Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for funds for trails.

Point Township has submitted a grant application to determine the feasibility of turning the remnants of the North Branch Canal into a hiking/biking trail. The study is anticipated to cost \$60,000, of which Point Township is responsible for 1/2 of the cost. Fundraising efforts are now underway.

The Borough has submitted a grant application for funds for the construction of a trail on top of the erosion barrier being built this fall at the Point @ Pineknotter Park. Their match is the cost of building the erosion barrier which has been funded by the Department of Environmental Protection. An application was also submitted to PennDOT's Transportation Alternatives Program.

Public comment is important to all state funded projects, and a required portion of the grant application. 17857.org recently held a public opinion meeting about both opportunities. If you were unable to attend the meeting, 17857.org has put up a brief online survey. Please take a few moments to complete the survey, as it will be very helpful in future grant applications. Thank you, Ann August.

THE MAYOR'S CORNER

It looks like spring has finally come after a long and cold winter! It brings with it a time for outdoor activities and time spent in the garden. It is my wish that all of our borough and township residents take the time to enjoy budding plants, beautiful spring flowers, longer days, and returning birds.

At our March 5th, 2013 Borough Council Meeting, it was my extreme pleasure to read a proclamation to outgoing Police Chief Tim Fink for his many contributions to our borough over the past 17 years. He will be missed by the Borough, but will be working close by with our neighbors in Point Township. I wish him well in his new job.

I would like to congratulate our newly appointed Chief of Police, Clifford "Butch" Kriner. He was promoted from Sergeant to Chief at the March 5th meeting. Butch has 23 years of service in our police department. He knows our borough, knows our citizens, has knowledge of our ordinances and laws, is well respected and shows the pride I have always felt for our Borough. Butch has all of the credentials needed to be a great Chief of Police. I am looking forward to working with him in his new assignment, and wish him only the best! As usual, I have included something to hopefully entertain our readers.

Enjoy your Spring! Stay Safe!

Best Regards, Mayor Len Zboray

MURPHY'S OTHER 15 LAWS

- 1. Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
- 2. A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.
- 3. He, who laughs last, thinks slowest.
- 4. A day without sunshine is like, well, night.
- 5. Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
- 6. Those who live by the sword get shot by those who don't.
- 7. Nothing is foolproof to a sufficiently talented fool.
- 8. The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.
- 9. It is said that if you line up all the cars in the world end-to-end, someone from California would be stupid enough to try to pass them.
- 10. If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.
- 11. The things that come to those who wait, may be the things left by those, who got there first.
- 12. Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will sit in a boat all day drinking beer.
- 13. Flashlight: A case for holding dead batteries.
- 14. God gave you toes as a device for finding furniture in the dark.
- 15. When you go into court, you are putting yourself in the hands of twelve people, who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty.

Liberty Splashland - New Ride, New Rates, New Manager

By Greg Carl

The 2013 season is nearly upon us. Birds are chirping, the sun is finally shining (or so it seems) and soon Liberty Splashland will be full of screams as those who *Decide to Slide* will get their crack at the only bowl slide at a municipally owned and operated park in all of Pennsylvania. It is truly an exhilarating experience!

From young to old it is a fun time. Don't get me wrong it is not for everyone. The Liberty Bowl is an amusement thrill ride and if you try it you will know why. There are limitations to be able to use it. The requirements are:

- you must be able to swim
- be at least 52" tall barefoot
- weigh less than 300 pounds
- and be able to follow the rules & instructions of our lifeguards.

If you have any mental or physical condition that could create a hazard for yourself or others, we suggest you do not use this ride.

This season brings other changes to our policy and rates. We have eliminated the low attendance policy. In an effort to control costs, we used to make an announcement when the attendance dropped below 30 guests that we would be closing the park in an hour. On a nice day it was a very real possibility that you could come to the park and it would be closed. This year, we will be open every day beginning June 4th from 11am to 6pm unless there is bad weather. What does that mean for you? No concerns that you get your stuff together and then have to go home frustrated because we closed the park. It also means if the attendance happens to be low it is a prime opportunity to come and take advantage of sharing the park with fewer guests.

Eliminating this policy required changes to the fees for season passes and front gate daily admission. A lot of thought was put into the new rates in an effort to be fair to each individual guest and be sure to cover the costs of keeping the park open on slow days. Season passes are available this year for each individual. We also have a resident rate and non-resident rate. Those living in 17857 will have a discount with proof of residency. Both Northum-

berland and Point Township contribute to the park and thus the reduced rate. Resident rates are for those 52" and taller (barefoot) is \$45. For those shorter than 52" it is \$37.50 and those ages 5 and under get a free season pass. Non-residents will pay \$50, \$41.50 and free respectively. Passes can be purchased at the borough office at 175 Orange Street in Northumberland until Friday May 17th at a discount of 10% off. Office hours are M-F 9-5 except Wednesday it closes at noon. They can also be purchased online at Libertysplashland.com and picked up at the office or at the park after June 4th. There is a convenience fee of \$1.50 per pass if paying by credit card. If you are traveling a distance and can save money on gas by buying online or if you just don't want the hassle of coming to the office then this is the way to go. Daily rates will be \$6.00, \$5.00 and free respectively. Seniors 55 and older and dry dock will be \$4.00.



We welcome Rebekah Kline as our new manager this year. Please see our other article for all of the details about her and her new role at Liberty Splashland. Rebekah is planning to have swim lessons at the park.

For the young and older alike we have employment opportunities. If you would like to be a part of a progressive aquatic facility please stop by the borough office and fill out an application, or find it online at www.libertysplashland.com. Rebekah will be determining staff needs and training life-

guards. Employees get a free season pass! We are especially looking for college students who qualify for PHEAA grants. All lifeguards must be 16 years of age to operate the Liberty Bowl.

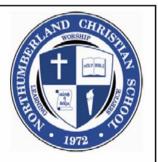
You can rent the entire park during the hours of 6pm to 9pm for a 2 or 3 hour party. Our rates will be the same this year as in 2012! Please be aware a deposit of \$50 must be made in advance and may not be refundable in certain circumstances. Private party dates have historically filled up fast. Decide what day you want and contact the borough office to schedule your party. Once the park opens, Rebekah will be the only person scheduling private parties. Please see our private party info online at libertysplashland.com or stop by the borough office for a brochure with all of our park info! You can receive update information as well by friend requesting us on our Facebook page.

With growth sometimes comes pains. Growing pains I like to call them. One of those pains will be parking. We ask that you please be patient and take care when utilizing our parking lot and parking on Prince Street while we determine and take action to address our ever growing facility.

It has been a great pleasure serving the borough and Liberty Splashland as a volunteer since first getting involved in 1999. This will be my 15th season at the park. It has been an adventure transforming the park from what it was to a tourist attraction. It has always been my goal to make the park economically viable while increasing attendance and

providing a quality recreation experience for all who choose to use it. I want to extend my gratitude to all of the borough employees for their dedication and innovation, to Tom Slodysko for his innumerable hours of involvement and support, to my son Taylor for being there with me at times when there was no one else to help, to the numerous other volunteers, to all of the Northumberland Borough Council members who have supported the park concept and helping to bring it to fruition and to the Point Township Supervisors as well. It truly has been a collaboration of contributions and support that has made the park what it is today.

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Club soccer TEAM "TNT"

Team "TNT" is a Northumberland/Sunbury club soccer team made up of girls aged 10 and under. Their home field is at the Point Township Recreational Park off of Ridge Road. The team plays in the North Cen Penn Soccer League and in an indoor league at Sports Zone. The team



participated in the Northumberland Halloween Parade and took 1st place in their age group. A special thanks goes to Bill Rishel for letting the team ride on his antique fire truck in the parade. The team is looking for new members, if interested please contact coach Jared Treas at 570-490-8786 for tryout dates.

To help offset the cost of equip-

ment, camps, indoor league, and tournaments, they have several fundraisers, and are fortunate to have the support of local businesses and clubs. On May 18th, they will have car wash at the American Legion Post 44 in Northumberland.

The team is thankful for the support of the following:

Sunbury Eagles Lodge #503

Northumberland American Legion Post 44

Sunbury Moose Lodge #181

Sunbury Elks Lodge #267

Davis Insurance Agency

Garvey's Carpet

El Rancho Restaurant

Minnier Hearing Center

Rich Oil Company

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Stuck Appliance & Rental

Weaver's Tire Service



PINEKNOTTERS' DAYS NEEDS HELP

If you have the desire to help keep Pineknotters' Days going and are willing to pitch in

to help, attend the Pineknotters' Days Committee Meetings. They are normally held the 2nd Thursday in the Kiwanis Community Center on Prince Street. If you are unable to attend but are willing to help, please leave your name and telephone number with the Northumberland Borough office, 473-3414, or contact Kim King at the Priestley-Forsyth Library, 473-8201, or email her at pfmlkids@ptd.net or find them on Facebook

115TH ANNUAL NORTHUMBERLAND HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI BANQUET

The 115th banquet will be held at the Front Street Station on Saturday May 25 from 6:15 until? Tickets should be purchased in advance at Frye's Interiors or Norry Pharmacy. The cost is \$22.00. All those who have attended Northumberland High School and guests are welcome. If you need to reserve a table for your class please call Kay Crebs 570-495-3372 or Phil Hallden at 570-473-3504.

NEW CODE OFFICER



The Borough of Northumberland hired Ted McCollum Jr. as its Code Enforcement Officer in March. Former Code Officer Paul Ruane retired at the end of December 2012.

Ted was born and raised in Southern New Jersey. His father, Ted Sr., was originally from Burnside, and his mother, Dorothy Rohrer, from Shamokin. Ted has many fond memories of visits to this area over the

years while visiting his large extended family. When a job opportunity arose in 2006, Ted decided to relocate to his family roots.

Ted is looking forward to working with you to keep our community safe. If you have questions or concerns about zoning or necessary permits, please contact him at the Borough Office, 473-3414.



Memorial Day Parade May 27, 2012

The annual parade will form at 10:00 am at the King Street Park, moving at 10:30 am., followed by a non-denominational service at the Riverview Cemetery. Speaker will be Ann Furman.



FLAG DAY

June 14, 7:00 pm

American Legion Post 44 will hold a flag burning ceremony at the Post. All are welcome to attend. If you have a flag to dispose off, please use the drop

off container at the Legion before June 14th.

PUBLIC POSTING OF SIGNS

Do not use staples to hang signs, please use duct tape. After the signs are removed often the staples are left. This can pose a hazard to children as the staples stick out at their level.

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SWIMMING LESSONS

Early Registration - \$25 Regular Registration - \$30



All sessions are 10 days in length. They run Monday through Friday for 2 weeks. Times will depend on the levels for each swimmer.

June 10-21; early registration ends May 31. July 15-26; early registration ends July 5. August 5-16; early registration ends July 26.

LIFEGUARD CLASS

The first guard class of the season will begin May 28th. This will be an evening class, and will run from 5-9. The class schedule will be available to those interested in registering. The fee for this class will be \$100 for those that register on, or before May 17th, and \$125 for those that register after that date.



There will also be a lifeguard class beginning June 10. This will be scheduled during the morning/early afternoon hours. The class schedule will be available to those interested in registering. The fee for this class will be \$100 for those that register on, or before May

31st, and \$125 for those that register after that date.



KRAFTY KORNERS

Krafty Korners craft fun will return. Look for a notice the last week of school, through the school district system. Dates will be June 12, 19, 26, and July 3. Mark your calendars now and keep the dates open. Call the Borough office for more information.

CASINO TRIPS FOR 2013

Casino Trips require prepayment, and one of the following: driver's



license, state ID card, passport or military ID with photo, address, and date of birth on it to enter and get your free play.

Mohegan Sun Casino — April 18, May 22, June 19

Cost \$21.00 due 1 month before, includes tip for driver, \$25 free play, \$10 food voucher, leaves 8:00 am, returns home 5-5:30ish pm from Kmart parking lot.

Hollywood Casino — August 21

Cost \$21.00, leave at 8:00 am from Kmart parking lot

Anyone may go on these trips. Please contact Beverly Lenker at 473-8721 or the Senior Action Center.



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Liberty Splashland is excited about being the only municipally owned and operated park in Pa. to have a bowl slide. With the addition of yet another feature, the park continues its growth and offers the Susquehanna Valley recreation opportunities at very affordable prices. This addition will attract many who wouldn't normally find themselves frequenting a municipal aquatic facility. A change like this brings new challenges and also opportunities.

We are excited to announce the addition of our new park manager Rebekah Kline from Northumberland. Rebekah has lived in the Sunbury/ Northumberland area all of her life. She is a graduate of the Shikellamy class of '95, and is a '99 graduate from Susquehanna University with a BA in Communications and Theatre Arts. She is married to Jarrod Kline. They have 2 boys (Vaughn, age 9 and Trent, age 7) and 2 dogs. For the past 2 years Rebekah has been volunteering with the AYSO as an assistant soccer coach, and is a volunteer as a Tiger Cub Scout Leader for the past year.

We are excited to have Rebekah as part of the Liberty Splashland team as she has a lot to offer the park not only as a professional but as a resident as



Bowl slide in action, August 2012.

New Feature at Liberty Splashland Brings a New Face

well. Rebekah's experience begins with close ties to the park as she was a former lifeguard when it used to be known as the Liberty Pool. Rebekah is currently a Red Cross certified Water Park Lifequard. She is also a Lifeguard Instructor - including Waterpark lifequarding, is certified in CPR/ First Aid/AED for the Professional Rescuer and has CPR/First Aid Instructor certifications from the Red Cross. She has 25 years of experience teaching swimming lessons, either through the Red Cross, YMCA or privately. She also has 10 years of experience teaching aquacise classes, including aqua pilates. During her time at Susquehanna University she worked as the Assistant to the Aquatics Director. She has also worked at the YMCA as the Aquatics Director, Interim Aquatics Director, and Milton Community Pool Coordinator.

Rebekah was reintroduced to our park in 2012 when she came forward to help train lifeguards and filled in as manager near the end of the season. As manager of the park in 2013, she will be responsible for the day to day operations of the park and will be your contact to purchase season passes and schedule private parties. Rebekah will be certifying lifeguards at the park as well this season and will be seeking out new employees for those of you who are looking to be a part of a progressive aquatic facility this summer.

Rebekah will be your go to person if you have questions or needs at the park. She is charged with being the enforcer of park rules which help to make your experience at Liberty Splashland an enjoyable one. Welcome aboard Rebekah and when you see her at the park please welcome her to Liberty Splashland!

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SUMMER JOB OPENINGS

The Borough will again be hiring college students and college-bound high school seniors as part of the Summer Intern Program. A student must receive a P.H.E.A.A. grant to be eligible. Students may earn up to \$3,600 during the summer months through this program.

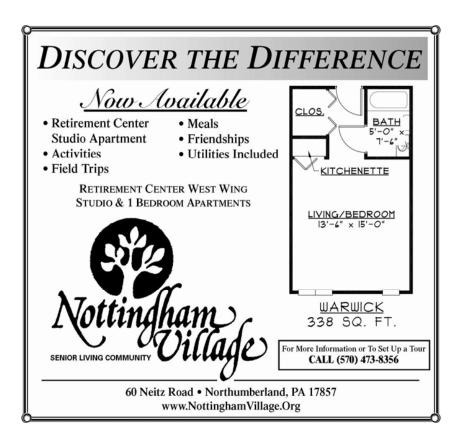
Traditionally, the borough has employed students to work at Liberty Splashland, Pineknotter Park and with the Borough Street Department. At Liberty Splashland, students are employed as lifeguards, concession stand operators, maintenance workers, and front desk personnel. Students applying for a lifeguard position must be at least 16 years of age.



Students working at Pineknotter Park maintain the ball field and operate the concession stand. Students working with the Borough Street Department help to cut grass, trim, paint crosswalks, and do other property maintenance throughout the Borough.

Interested students should contact the Borough Office to obtain more information and application forms or go online at www.pheaa.org/workstudy/index.shtml.

In past years, a Summer Recreation program was provided to elementary students in the mornings. This program would be revitalized if any student(s) would be interested in supervising the program. To discuss this program, please call the Borough at 473-3414.



NEWS FROM CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rummage Sale

Thursday, April 25 – Saturday, April 27 Thursday and Friday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Saturday 8:00 a.m. – Noon. Saturday is \$2.00 a bag day.

Chicken & Waffle Dinner

Monday, July 1 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

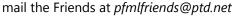


Vacation Bible School

Sunday, July 21 – Thursday, July 25 5:00-7:00 p.m. "Everywhere Fun Fair" for ages 4-11. Dinner is served each night. Thursday is our fantastic "Fun Fair" in the church lot. Call 473-8543 to register or visit our website at 2013.cokesburyvbs.com/NorryCUMC

The Friends of Priestley-Forsyth Library are actively

seeking members. This is a great way to support your library and doesn't take a large amount of your time. Sign up @ the library or e-





The friends group collects books the first Sat. of every month, May 4 and June 1, from 9:30-11:30 am @ Christ United Methodist Church on Front St.

BOOK SALE! July3 from 5:00-8:00 pm, July 4 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm, July 5 from 5:00-8:00

pm, and July 6 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. Come out and support the *LIBRARY!*

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER



3rd Saturday of each month 4:30-6:00 p.m. Christ United Methodist Church, Front & King Sts. All are welcome at CUMC's free dinner on April 20, May 18, June 15,

SAVE THE DATE
Lemonade Day
August 3
11 am - 4pm





Saturday, June 15 10:00am to 2:00pm **King Street Park**

Big Trucks, Specialty Vehicles,

Construction Equipment and More! Touch a Truck is a free event for the community. Children will be permitted to touch the trucks and meet the drivers, thus promoting a positive image of the companies, businesses and community helpers in our area. Trucks will be parked along King Street, and someone from your business must be present with your vehicle or truck at all times. Children will be supervised by their parents during the event.

Parties interested in displaying their vehicle should contact the Priestley -Forsyth Memorial Library at 473-8201 or pfmlkids@ptd.net.



POLLING LOCATIONS

Election Day is Tuesday, May 21. Polls are open from 7 am - 8 pm.

Borough Locations

First Ward......2nd Street Community Center

Second Ward.....No. 1's Firehall

Third Ward.....Kiwanis Building

Point Township Locations

District 1......Municipal Building

District 2......American Legion Post 44





BEAUTIFICATION WINNERS

The Revitalization Committee is pleased to announce its winners for the first three months of 2013. These property owners take pride in their homes by making improvements or by maintaining the premises in an outstanding way!

The community benefits from your efforts. THANK YOU!

January---Diane and Ron Wynn for their property at 580-582 Water Street

February---Virginia and Marlin Hollenbach for their home at 665 King Street

March---Cynthia and Barry Moser for their home at 524 Front Street



PFML DERBY DAY AUCTION **FUNDRAISER**

Saturday May 4th, 4pm - ? Nottingham Village (call the library for more information)

FYI

National Library Week is April 15-21. Share how much the library means to you by sending a letter to the editor of your paper, e-mailing a city council member, state legislator or member of congress.

McPherson's Greenhouse and Farm Market Route 147- 3 miles North of Northumberland Get ready for Mother's Day and Memorial Day! Complete line of: Hanging Baskets & Bedding Plants Planters & Vegetable Plants Herbs & Perennials & GERANIUMS Seasonal Produce and more! Our own Pesticide Free Hot House Tomatoes OPENING SOON For Season

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M-W-F 10 - 6 Library Closed T-TH 12 - 8 5/27 Sat 9 - 5

What is your favorite memory of visiting the library when you were growing up? Was it the story times, the environment, the people, or exploring the fascinating collection of books?

As a teen, were you still drawn to the library? If not what changed? If you were, what made you want to come?

As an adult, do you still come? Do you consider the library an important place? Does it provide you with the resources and services you need and/or want?

These are some of the questions that a librarian considers critical in evaluating the worth of a library to its community. What services can we provide to help make our patrons and community vital, vibrant, entertaining and educational? As a small library with limited space and funding, we work to utilize every penny we have to provide the best possible services we can.



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We purchase an average of 300 books and materials per month. If we don't have it and you ask for it we get it if we can. Few requests are not granted.

We have doubled the patron computers in our building from 4 yrs ago.

We offer more programs at our library for children than the average of other libraries.

We are one of 2 nationally recognized Family Place Libraries in the county.

We are currently one of the few libraries in the area with a successful teen program.

In an age where cost-effectiveness seems to be the way of life, libraries are there to serve. Libraries serve even when closed. On-line resources are available 24 hrs. a day. We invest in a number of those services so you have them available.

This area is very lucky to have more than one library in driving distance. We come together to discuss innovative ideas to help meet the demands of our communities. We work together to bring in entertainment and cultural experiences. We care.



What are your thoughts? Share with us. It is important to know the best ways to serve you. We can't do it all, we are challenged financially as well, but we are resourceful and we are committed.

You are never too young or too old to learn or experience something new. Have fun, come to the library......it's free.



Be green, don't throw your empty cartridges in the garbage, drop them off at the library and we take care of it!

The library was designated as a location for obtaining free discount prescription cards. They are available at the front desk.

75% of a child's brain development is complete by the age of 2 yrs. Public libraries are the perfect place for families to bring children to enhance and refine learning skills. The 2nd floor of the library is strategically set up to challenge kids to develop as they play and explore.

Research states, creative play, social interaction and the freedom to explore through library activities and programs encourage child development.

N Borough of Northumberland

Borough Officials

Mayor Leonard Zboray

Council James Troup

Vice Pres. Gregory Carl

Chairman Pro
Tem Steve Reed

Adam Klock
Council Ty Sees
Members Frank Wetzel
Harry Wynn

Fire Chief Brian Crebs

EMA Dir. Chris Boyer

Tax Collector Joanna Rees

Borough Office

Mon. - Friday
9 to Noon
1 to 5 pm

Wednesday

9 to Noon

Location 175 Orange St. 570-473-3414

Office Closed Nov. 22 & 23 Dec. 25, Jan. 1

Secretary Janice Bowman

Streets Tom Slodysko

Code Officer Ted McCollum, Jr.

Health Officer Mary Sue M. Buss

Borough Police

Location 175 Orange St. (Upper Door) 570-473-8446

Police Chief C. L. "Butch" Kriner

Public Meetings

Borough Council 2nd Tuesday of each Month

Meetings/Work
Sessions

4th Tuesday of each Month except July

Official action may be taken at any of the meetings. Meetings are held at 175 Orange St at 7:00 pm.

Committee Meetings

Community 2nd Monday **Development** 7:00 pm

Finance 3rd Thursday 6:00 pm

Personnel Closed meetings

Public Safety 3rd Tuesday 6:00 pm

Planning last Thurs. **Commission** 7:00 pm

Rules Committee 2nd Monday

Streets 2nd Tuesday 7:00 pm

Sewer 1st Tuesday **Committee** 5:30 pm

Zoning Board last Tuesday 7:30 pm

The Emergency Services Board

1st Monday
6:00 pm unless
a holiday, then
it will be the
first Tuesday.

P Point Township

Township Officials

Board of Supervisors

Chairman Randall W. Yoxheimer

Vice-Chairman Montie E. Peters

James Neitz, Sr **Members** Justin Dunkelberger
George Geise

Solicitor Richard Shoch

Fire Chief James Geise

Tax John Snyder

Zoning

Officer/ Andrew Orzehowski

BCD

Sewage Gene Powlus

Ronnie Vandine

Planning Jeanie Brooks

Comm. Thomas Strouse
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Public Meetings

Supervisors 2nd Tuesday of **Meetings** each Month

Meetings are held at 759 Ridge Road at 7:00 pm.

Committee Meetings

Fire 6:00 pm

Board Except June,
July & Aug.

Planning 3rd Tuesday **Commission** 6:00 pm

Point Twp. 2nd Thursday **Sewer** 7:00 pm

Meetings are held monthly at the Township Building 759 Ridge Road.

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RIVERVIEW CEMETERY

Here is just a brief paragraph about what's happening at Riverview. We have some future projects in mind, and of course they take money, so they are on a "do when money allows" list.

We would like to have another road paved at some point, to stay in line with our long term project for having all of them paved. We have been in contact with a company out of Trevorton to give us an estimate on developing a map of the upper cemetery. It is located off of Vista Drive. Eventually, we will need to have another road constructed there and grave spaces mapped. The cemetery owns more land for future purchases of grave spaces in that area which overlooks the Susquehanna River.

One of our benches in the Vista Drive section deteriorated and the other bench is in need



of repair. We would like to purchase two matching benches to replace the old ones. Also in the Vista Drive area, below the second road, there is a huge tree and we would like to mulch and place benches around that tree. These are obviously, all long term projects.

We have the late service on Memorial Day, May 27th and our annual "Day of Remembrance" will be August 24th.

If you are visiting the cemetery, please take a minute to stop and read the Rules and Regulations which were amended in 2011. They are posted next to our office. One of the changes is not to put artificial flowers directly into the ground. The grass trimmers are not able to trim graves because the grass and weeds grow up around the artificial flowers. Please place them in a container before putting them on the grave site of a loved one.

We do our best to keep up with maintenance on the grounds. If anyone should have a concern, you may always feel free to call.

Thank you for your continuing support of our cemetery. Hope to see all of you on August 24th!!

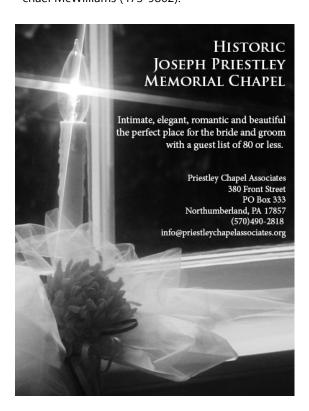
Dee Zboray, Secretary 473-8296 Cemetery

PARTY RENTALS



The Northumberland/Point Township Kiwanis Club Community Center is available to rent for parties, wedding receptions, anniversaries, birthdays, and reunions.

Please contact Jane Ressler (473-8343) or Michael McWilliams (473-9802).





GEISE TO SERVE PRIESTLEY HOUSE BOARD



Sam Geise, of Northumberland, begins his service on the Friends of Joseph Priestley House board with a lively interest in Priestley that stems from his membership in the local Unitarian congregation. As the congregation began meeting in the nearby Priestley Chapel, Geise became active in Priestley Chapel Associates, the non-profit that has taken over its ownership from the national church body. He is past-president and current vice-president of

that group. "I'd like to see more joint projects of the two groups," (Museum and Chapel), he said.

After learning more about Priestley, he began to serve as a docent. "I've really enjoyed meeting the other volunteers and the people who visit," he said. Geise grew up in the west and was educated at University of Oklahoma. He and his wife have lived in Northumberland since 1977, but his family's roots go back to grandparents who lived in Sunbury, whom he visited regularly in his youth.

Involvement with the Priestley House is something of a Geise family tradition, too, since Sam's sister, Gretchen Geise Walberg, was a key member of the museum's costume project in the 1990s, served on the Friend's Board and was selected as Volunteer of the Year in 1995.

Sam's engineering background and his current occupation as president of Geise Engineering, Inc. is to consult on risk management. These skills have already been put to use at the Museum. He reviewed past area flood levels and had surveyors determine that the first floor of the Museum is one and half feet higher than the cross-river Sunbury levee. Based on this information, it has been deemed unnecessary to move exhibits at the house when floods threaten unless levels are expected to exceed levee heights in Sunbury. This will prevent potential harm to exhibits from handling and also saves countless volunteer hours.

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NEWS FROM PRIESTLEY CHAPEL

The First Sunday Program of Words and Music at Priestley Chapel just celebrated its 50th performance. Since 2006 the Priestley Chapel Associates have sponsored this program free to the public. Over this period music presentations have ranged from early music of the 14 and 15th century, organ performances on the historic John Wind organ, classical music for piano, flute and cello, to bluegrass and old timely music to contemporary music by singer songwriters. On tap for spring programs are singer/songwriter/poet Lester Hirsch in May and in June the eclectic duo of Bill Calhoun on piano and vocal and Eric Wynters on guitar with guest poet Sharlene Gilman. Each program begins at 9:30 am and end at 10:10.

On the First Sunday, the Chapel coordinates with Priestley House Museum by keeping the chapel open in the afternoon so that visitors to the museum can also visit the chapel.

Priestley Chapel Associates is a secular, non-profit 501(c) 3 corporation established in 1977 to care for and manage the Joseph Priestley Memorial Chapel, the memorial garden and the historic 1811 John Wind organ located in the chapel. Membership is open to all wishing to care for this historic building. This lovely country chapel was built in 1834 by descendants of Joseph Priestley and members of the Unitarian Congregation in Northumberland. The chapel is also used for wedding ceremonies, memorial services, and community events. For more information visit: www.priestleychapel.org, or call (570) 490-2818.

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JOSEPH PRIESTLEY HOUSE 2013 SEASON

The Friends of Joseph Priestley House conducts programs for the public at the state museum. This local group of volunteers announces the opening of the 2013 season with three new exhibits.



Priestley's Microscope Exhibit

Priestley's microscope is again on display for visitors to see the instrument that Priestley used to study how plants produce oxygen and to teach science. This circa 1780-1790 microscope rests on an iron base with a single ivory and glass specimen drawer and brass adjustable lens attachments. The microscope was made by brothers William and

Samuel Jones, among the most successful scientific equipment makers in London during the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. The display includes the microscope, its wooden storage box and many microscope slides. The objects are in a new display case in the drawing room.

Replicas of Priestley's Lab Glassware Exhibit

Reproductions of Priestley's lab glassware are shown in new display cases. Many pieces of the original glassware Priestley commissioned for his laboratory work were reproduced to create authentic replicas that could be displayed in Priestley's American laboratory. Many of the reproduction pieces were hand made by glass industry craftsmen who added imperfections to resemble those in the originals. The project was sponsored by the American Chemical Society to celebrate its 100 year anniversary. After being exhibited in Society's offices in Washington, DC the reproductions were presented to the PA Historical and Museum Commission in 1976 in ceremonies at Priestley House and Bucknell University.

Archeological Artifact Exhibit

Five archeological excavations were performed at Priestley House since the 1970's. Representative artifacts discovered during the investigations are now displayed and described in a new exhibit. The exhibit is in the shadow box in the dining room. Emily Dietrich, of Northumberland, researched and wrote display cards for the exhibit and Board member Scott Onsager arranged the display.

2013 Season

Priestley house is open for regular scheduled tours on Saturday and Sunday afternoon (except Easter) from March 10 until November 30. The Visitor Center and gift shop is open from 1 to 4 pm with tours of the house at 1, 2 and 3 pm. Tours at other times can be arranged by calling 570-473-9474 or emailing: info@josephpriestleyhouse.org. Admission fees are charged unless otherwise noted.

History Camp at Priestley House Wednesday to Friday, July 24-26 Elementary school age campers will be welcomed for half-day morning sessions. Volunteer camp director Lindy Fasold will be joined by

fellow Shikellamy teacher Dixie Gavason. For registration information, contact the Northumberland County Historical Society at: info@northumberlandcountyhistoricalsociety.org or by phone, 570-386 -6817. A fee is charged and scholarships are available. Attendance limited to 20.

Oxygen Day Sunday, August 4, Free Admission

Visitor Center is open from 1 to 4 PM. Tour the house on your own and speak to costumed guides in each room. Dr. Priestley 18th century chemistry demos at 1:30 & 3:00 pm. Following Dr. Priestley, staff from the Respiratory Care Department at Geisinger Medical Center will explain how lungs use oxygen and how to have good respiratory health. Blood pressure and blood oxygen level testing will be available.

Annual Meeting of the Friends of Joseph Priestley House Wednesday, September 25, 2013.

Social hour begins at 5:30 pm in the Pond Building followed by catered buffet at 6 pm. Program starts at 7 pm. Speaker for this event will be Priestley re-enactor Ron Blatchley in a performance he calls, "Beware! A Priestley has entered the land." Register for the event online or by phone 570-473-9474.

Heritage Day Sunday, November 3

Visitor Center is open from 1 to 4 PM. Tour the house on your own and speak to costumed guides in each room. Dr. Priestley's 18th century chemistry demos at 1:30 & 2:30 pm. Children's games. Regular Admission fees.

Twelfth Day Sunday, January 5, 2014

Visitor Center is open from 1 to 4 PM. Celebrate the holidays as they were celebrated 200 years ago. Tour the house on your own and speak to costumed guides in each room. Dr. Priestley's 18th century chemistry demos at 1:30 & 2:30 pm. Children's games. Regular Admission fees.



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"Healthy Steps - Fall Risk" - May 2, by Kay at 12:30 pm. If you have never done this program before, please call the center to sign up. You will receive \$10 for attending the class.

Mother's Day - May 10, Hoagies and make your own sundaes for lunch at 11:30 am.

Free Blood Pressure and Blood Sugar - May 15, Lois Stettler from Sunbury Community Hospital, 9:30 - 11:00 am



Cupcake Wars - May 17, Make your favorite cupcake and bring them into the center for judging. After the judging is done, we will enjoy the sweets of your labor.

Indoor Picnic and Games - May 20th, You are asked to bring in a covered dish and/or dessert for lunch.

Games will be played that day along with bingo in the afternoon. A gift basket will be chanced off.

Annual Senior Picnic - June 12, by Area Agency on Aging, at Knoebels.

Bible Study Wednesdays 9:30-10:30 am.

Bingo Mondays & Wednesdays 12:15 pm., open to the public. **Nickel Bingo** every Friday 12:15 pm.

Birthdays are celebrated each month on the 1st Friday during lunch.

Chorus has started. New members are always welcome.

A **Computer** is available for use by seniors.

Members Meetings are held the first Monday of each month at 10 am.

Cards are played every morning 9:00 am to lunch. Parties are on the last Thursday of each month at 12:30 and refreshments are available: April 25, May 30, June 27.



Penny Poker Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:30, open to the public.

Crafts Monday mornings.

Exercise Wednesdays 10:30 am. With Amy Zalar.

Treadmill Anyone is welcome to use it but you must have a doctor's slip with permission stating you may use one.

Wii Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Friday.

Hot Lunches are available and are served at 11:30 a.m. You must call the day before by 9:30 am to order a meal. Newsletters and menus may be picked up at the center. A donation is asked to defray the cost of the meal.

Special Meals please call the center to sign up.

May 14 - Ham Potpie

Closed Holidays on May 27.

Cards and Wii can be played almost anytime. We have 2 Wii bowling teams that compete with other centers. If you are not familiar with the game, we would be glad to teach you.

Rabbit Transit is available for use to come into and from the centers at no cost for seniors 65 and older. It can also be used for doctor's appointments, hairdressers, etc. at a small cost. You must be signed up for the share a ride program which you can do at the center or by calling 1-800-473-2626 for an application.

Monthly activities are available in the newsletter at the center.



TRIPS FOR 2013

"Penns Peake - Branson Fever Country Roots Show" — May 8

Leave 10 am, family style lunch at noon, home by 5 pm; \$74 for show and meal. Leave from Christ United Methodist Church.

Cape Cod — Cancelled

"Noah" at Sights and Sounds in Lancaster — July 17

Shady Maple for lunch, show at 1 pm. Fast food stop on way home which is optional. Leave 8 am; return 6:00 pm. \$103 adults, \$84 for ages 13-18, \$68 for ages 3-12 for show and meal. Money due May 31st.

"Patsy Kline" at Allenberry Playhouse — Sept 11

Leave 9:30 am; buffet meal at playhouse at 11:30; show at 1:00 pm; home by 5:30 pm. Fast food stop on the way home which is optional. \$85 for show and meal.

For more information call Beverly Lenker at 473-8721 or the Senior Action Center.

MCCORKILL RECEIVES OUTSTAND SERVICE AWARD

The Outstanding Service Award of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Com-



mission has been awarded to Ruth Eleanor McCorkill, of Northumberland. Only two Outstanding Service Awards were presented this year at a ceremony held at the State Museum of Pennsylvania in Harrisburg. The award recognizes and honors exceptional, long-term contributions by an individual who has given unselfishly of time and talents for the advancement of a museum. McCorkill has been an active volunteer at Joseph Priestley House since 1991, over 20 years. She was the museum's Volunteer of the Year in 1997.

Her enthusiasm for this historical site in her beloved home community has been unflagging. She was one of an original group of women who hand sewed costumes and created exhibits for the Elizabeth Ryland Priestley bedroom. Her devotion to the museum has endured; she has been sure to keep in touch and been there in person, in costume, as our front door greeter during special events. Her personal addition to costumed events has been the creation of a miniature doll character, Merry-Merry, an attraction that especially charms young children who visit. McCorkill received a commemorative pin, a resolution from the Commission and a complimentary one-year membership in the Pennsylvania Heritage Foundation, which supports the work of the Commission through programs, fundraising, and special initiatives.

BOROUGH BRUSH DROP OFF

Brush and brush *only* may be dropped off at the Liberty Recycling Center on: April 22th, 27th, and April 29th, May 4th, 6th, and May 11th from 3:00 to 6:00 pm, only. *No brush will be accepted during normal recycling hours!*

Proof of residency in Northumberland Borough will be required, as this is a taxpayer funded program. No assistance will be available, you must be able to unload your own brush.

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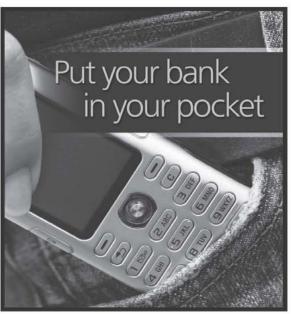
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