

PAXTANG POST

DATES TO REMEMBER

First Friday Dinners
MAY - Greenbelt Photo Exhibit, City Government Center
MAY 28 - Memorial Day Picnic
JUNE - AUGUST - Greenbelt Photo Exhibit—Wildwood Conference Ctr.
JUNE 3 - Tour de Greenbelt
JUNE 9 - Borough Wide Yard Sale
(No charge)
JUNE 16 - Borough Wide Clean-up
(No charge)
JUNE 27 - Greenbelt Walk
JULY 8 - Greenbelt Walk
JULY 28 - Chicken BBQ
(Front of Firehouse)
AUGUST 13 - Historical Society Picnic
SEPTEMBER 9 - Greenbelt Walk
SEPTEMBER 15 - Crabfest
OCTOBER 1 - Historical Society Meeting
OCTOBER 13 - Chicken BBQ
(Front of Firehouse)

NEW BUSINESSES

PA STEAK & SEAFOOD
3200 Pike Street

SHEET METAL SPECIALISTS
3232 Pike Street

MAMA'S PIZZA (New Ownership)
3412 Derry Street

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

May 28th, 2007 is Memorial Day and the Paxtang Cemetery Association, in conjunction with the Paxtang Borough Annual Tony Surace-Clyde Stohler Memorial Day picnic, will be holding a special event to honor our Veterans who have given their all in service to our country. The Paxtang Cemetery at 401 Kelso Street will begin their activities at 11:00 AM, opening with a blessing, bag pipes and a testimonial speaker. They will then have an awards presentation followed by a procession across Paxtang Avenue to Saussaman Park for the flag raising ceremony to kick off the festivities for the annual picnic which will start at 12 Noon.

In addition to the usual picnic food, activities will include face painting and games for the kids, fire truck rides and bingo for all ages. You can also learn a little history in your own back yard as the Paxtang Cemetery will have a horse drawn wagon that will take you through the cemetery with an historian from noon to 3:00 PM.

If you or your family have a fallen veteran flag and would like for us to fly it that day, you may drop it off or mail it to Paxtang Cemetery, 401 Kelso St., Harrisburg, PA 17111. Please include the name of the person of honor with the flag. The flag will put on a pole that will bear their name and will be flown every year on Memorial Day.

As always, we can use lots of volunteers to help with set-up and tear-down, bingo, face painting, kid's games, and food distribution. If you would like to volunteer an hour or so of your time, or would like to donate a bingo prize, please contact Heather LaCour (formerly Misiti) at 503-0761 or heather.lacour@comcast.net.

All events will be held rain or shine.



Memorial Day (originally called Decoration Day) is a **Day of Remembrance** for those who have died in our nations' service.

It was first observed on May 30, 1868 when flowers were placed on the graves of Civil War Veterans at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C.

After World War I, the holiday changed from honoring those who died fighting in the Civil War to those Americans who died fighting in any war.

May 30, continued to be the day of observance until 1970, when Congress named the last Monday of May as the observed day to accommodate a three-day holiday weekend.

Across the country, many veteran's organizations place flags on all veteran's grave sites.

The playing of "Taps" is also another symbol of remembrance and reflection of those who gave their lives in the service to our country.

As we celebrate Memorial Day, wherever we are, let us give thanks and pay homage to all who have died in this service.

**PAXTANG FIRE COMPANY
CHICKEN BBQ'S**

Saturday, June 23rd
Saturday, July 28th
Saturday, October 13th

Dinners include 1/2
chicken, baked potato
and roll, all for \$6.00

Sold in front of the fire-
house

PAXTANG FIRE AUXILIARY

Supporting local heroes.

Cook out and Bake Sale
June 9th, 2007
8:00 AM—?

FIRST FRIDAYS

On the first Friday of the month, the residents of Paxtang and surrounding communities are encouraged to make dinner plans in the Borough between 5:30 and 7:30 PM

- Friday, May 4th, at
MAMA'S PIZZA 558-0030
- Friday, June 1st, at
TOPS RESTAURANT 564-2650
- Friday, July 6th, at
THE BEST WOK 909-6666
- Friday, August 3rd, at
PAXTANG GRILL 564-2738
- Friday, September 7th at
PAXTANG DINER 564-2557

Don't forget **FLEMINGS SUB BASE 564-3774** which is not open Friday nights to participate, but is open during the day and would also appreciate your business. Each household is responsible for their own reservations and bill for the evening Any questions or suggestions may be directed to Mayor Stambaugh at 558-8373 or e-mail: keldeen@msn.com



Make a splash at
Latshmere Swim Club

Latshmere is now Accepting memberships for the 2007 season. Join us for an open house and free swimming on Saturday, May 26th, Noon—5:00PM. For more information call Jody Smith at 558-0214.

**CITIZENS ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**

Do you love living in Paxtang and want to help keep Paxtang a great place to live? Then the Citizens Advisory Committee might be for you. This an informal group of residents whose mission is to promote a cleaner, safer community and to bring information to Borough Council regarding topics and events that impact the Paxtang area. Active participation in improving the quality of our neighborhood is included in the mission. Visit the website at www.paxtang.com. At present, participants are having e-meetings, and questions should be directed to Chris Whitmer at 564-0620 or to Murv Grunden at 561-2620.

PAXTANG SCHOOL TRAFFIC CONCERNS

Parents and residents have voiced concerns about the safety and traffic congestion at the elementary school during drop-off and pick-up times. If you have a child at Paxtang Elementary who you typically drop-off and pick-up by car, please consider the following ways you can help improve the situation. You can make a difference for our children.

1. Walk to school. With nice spring weather now upon us, consider walking your child to school. If you cannot, try asking a trusted neighbor to walk with the child or allow the child to walk with other students. The location of our school is ideal for having students walk. Not only will this improve safety and decrease congestion in the school zone, but the children will get some exercise and enjoy the time socializing with other children. You might even get to know your children better!
 2. Obey traffic regulations and ordinances. During one recent ten minute pick-up observation (during good weather), eight traffic violations were noted. Be aware that parking is prohibited on Walnut Street (the alley adjacent to and west of the school) by ordinance. Please do not park or stop your vehicle on this street. Do not park or stop your vehicle in an area where the curb is painted yellow—those areas are no parking zones. These traffic laws are designed for safety purposes. Please keep safety your number one priority at all times.
 3. Try carpooling. Take turns driving several students from your neighborhood. This has many benefits—reduces traffic congestion and improves safety around the school, saves fuel, reduces emissions, saves parents time by saving a trip, gives children some social time before school and strengthens our community by giving you the opportunity to get to know your neighbors better.
 4. Use Montour Street for Drop-Off and Pick-up. Avoid using Rutherford St. and Swan St. adjacent to the school for travel and parking. Instead, try accessing Montour St. from Paxtang Ave. and loading and unloading your child at the curb, adjacent to the school property, between Walnut St. (the alley) and Swan St. Then exit the school area by turning left onto Swan St. (up the hill) or going straight through at Swan St., continuing on Montour St. This will reduce the number of cars mixing with buses and pedestrians in front of the school and improve safety for students.
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NOROVIRUS

Viruses are all around us, some causing respiratory symptoms (influenza) and others causing gastrointestinal symptoms. One such GI virus is the Norovirus. You may be familiar with this virus from reading newspaper articles about passengers on ocean liners becoming ill. It has become a more commonly identified illness in the last few years.

Norovirus causes nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, stomach cramps, headache, and a low grade fever. Symptoms normally begin 24-48 hours after exposure and last from 12-60 hours. The source of the infection originates in humans, but may also be transmitted through food and water.

The Pennsylvania Department of Health provides the following information to the general public regarding ways to prevent the spread of this virus:

- Always wash your hands after using the bathroom, changing diapers, and before preparing or eating foods.
- If you are ill with the above symptoms, **DO NOT** prepare food for other people. You should not work in restaurants, day care centers, or medical settings.
- Carefully wash fruits and vegetables.
- Steam oysters before eating them.
- Thoroughly clean and disinfect contaminated surfaces after an episode of diarrhea or vomiting by using a bleach-based household cleaner.
- Immediately remove and wash clothing or linens that may be contaminated after an episode of diarrhea or vomiting by using hot water and soap.
- Clean and sanitize your bathroom with a bleach-based cleaner.
- Do not visit or work in hospitals, nursing homes, or schools until completely free from symptoms for at least 48 hours.

For more information about the Norovirus, you may visit the website for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at www.cdc.gov.

Stay well and don't forget to
WASH THOSE HANDS

Submitted by:
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Certified Local Health Officer

WILDWOOD LAKE SANCTUARY

Walking the Emerald Necklace, a series of walks on historic sections of the Greenbelt, is sponsored by Dauphin Co. Parks and Recreation and The Capital Area Greenbelt Assoc. in celebration of the Centennial Anniversary of Wildwood Lake Sanctuary. Pre-registration is required and a \$5.00 fee per person, per program is required. For further information, call 717/221-0292.

Dates of walks and programs:

June 27, 1:30 - 3:30 PM
Industrial Harrisburg.

June 8, 1:30 - 3:30 PM -
Reservoir Park: Multiple Facets
of City Beautiful.

August 8, 6:00 - 8:15 PM -
Recapturing Paxtang Parkway

September 9, 1:30 - 3:30
PM - Wildwood Park: Pearl of
the Necklace.

Picture It

The Greenbelt Photography Project has captured some beautiful and thought provoking images in and around the Greenbelt. The Project is a collaboration between the Harrisburg Camera Club (HCC) and the Capital Area Greenbelt Association (CAGA). The project has two components: One, it is a photo contest with several exhibits showcasing both the talent of HCC and CAGA members, as well as beautiful and noteworthy views of the Greenbelt. The second component is to utilize the photos taken by HCC members and contest participants to aid the Greenbelt in enhancing its map on the web with photos of points of interest, signage, parking areas and trail heads.

All entries have been received for the photo contest, and you are invited to attend the following exhibits: City Government Center, Harrisburg PA May 2007, and C. Ted Lick Wildwood Conference Center, June - August 2007.

LENKER MANOR - PAXTANG WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

The Lenker Manor - Paxtang Women's Club invites area women to join us during our 2007-2008 program year at Paxton Presbyterian Church (downstairs), Progress/Paxtang Ave. & Sharon St. Meetings are held monthly on the second Wednesday of each month, September through May beginning at 9:15 a.m. Meetings begin with a breakfast buffet, followed by a business meeting and each month a different program of general interest is held. Members only attend the closed April business meeting. This women's club is dedicated to service in the community and you need not be a resident of Paxtang or Lenker Manor to join and meetings include lots of fun. Guests are always welcome and for further details, you may phone 564-3792.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR TAX COLLECTOR

The 2007 Real Estate Tax Notices for Central Dauphin School District will be mailed out the beginning of July by the school district. Tax collector hours are different from the school district so please check your bill when it arrives. When mailing your payment, please remember to proofread your check to make sure the numerical amount agrees with the written amount. Also, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope if you wish to get a receipt.

BOROUGH OF PAXTANG - SPRING CLEAN UP - 2007

PAXTANG HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Paxtang Historical Society will hold its next meeting at the Borough Park Pavilion (North of Paxton Presbyterian Church, Paxtang Ave. and Simpson St.) on Monday, August 13, 2007, rain or shine. Members and non-members welcome.

An architectural walking tour will be led by Steve Zarick and will meet at the corner of Sharon St. and Wilhelm Rd. at 6:00 PM. A picnic will be held after the tour at the Borough Park Pavilion, beginning at 7:30 PM.

The historical society will provide sandwiches, condiments, drinks (iced tea, diet iced tea, lemonade, and water) plates, cups, and plastic utensils. If possible, please bring a covered dish of your favorite recipe for others to taste.

Please call Shirley or Murv Grunden before the 7th of August if you plan to attend so they know how many to prepare for. Call 561-2620, after 6:00 PM and leave a message if no one is at home. You can also e-mail murvg@aol.com - Subject: PHS Picnic.

The Borough will be sponsoring its annual Spring Clean up Day on **Saturday, June 16, 2007 from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** The clean up is limited to **Borough Residents only.**

Items are to be taken to the rear of the Municipal Building where there will be help to unload them.

SPECIAL NOTE: No hazardous materials of any sort will be accepted. Also, only dried up paint will be accepted. NO CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS OF ANY KIND.

A fee of \$10.00 will be charged for CFC bearing appliances (refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners), etc. due to environmental protection laws.

There is a limit of two large items (washing machines, refrigerators, etc...) per household. In addition, there is a \$2.00 charge per car tire (off the rim).

Please complete the coupon below and bring it with you to the Municipal Building on June 16, 2007.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS _____

I certify that I am a resident/property owner in the Borough of Paxtang.

SIGNATURE _____

If you have items which you cannot bring to the Borough parking lot, a special pickup can be arranged for a fee. The items must be outside the residence, and a fee of \$15.00 for small items, \$25.00 for large items will be charged. You must call the Borough office, 564-4770 before June 15, 2007 to make arrangements.



Tour de Belt Celebrates Seven Years of Good Luck!

Plans for the 2007 Tour de Belt, a 20-mile bicycle tour of the Greenbelt are well underway with **Capitol Blue Cross*** at the helm once again as the participating sponsor. This is the seventh year of the Capital Area Greenbelt's primary fundraising event and they look forward to a record-breaking number of bike riders this year.

In anticipation of the growth of the event and anticipation of having 500 riders each year, the Tour de Belt planning committee has implemented a few exciting changes this year which includes:

- Preferential start time of 9:45 AM for pre-registered riders
- Fundraising materials, wrist bands and the ability to sign the waiver form online for pre-registered riders.
- New alliances with community sponsors
- Newly designed t-shirts.

Volunteers are needed to assist during the Tour de Belt for rest stop and route support. Each Tour de Belt volunteer will receive a free fluorescent t-shirt as well as an opportunity to spend quality time with fellow Greenbelt enthusiasts.

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, June 3, 2007** and join us at the **former State Hospital Grounds, Sycamore Street Pavilion**. Pre-register at www.caga.org or www.bikereg.com or call 921-GREEN for a brochure. \$15 for adults until May 18th, \$25 after May 18th and day of the event. Children 12 and under are \$7 at any time.

Don't miss our on Harrisburg's largest guided bicycle tour of the Capital Area Greenbelt.

**Independent Licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association*