
The Lower Paxton Township **NEWSLETTER**

“Good Government for a Great Community”

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A Message to Our Citizens from the Board of Supervisors

By Chairman Bill Hornung

I would like to take this opportunity to honor the service of Bill Hawk as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors for Lower Paxton Township for the last 18 years. During his leadership, Bill developed the Board’s reputation for being a “listening board,” and for our community being one of the premier locations to live, work, and raise a family in the Harrisburg metropolitan area. I thank Bill for his time of service and leadership. Bill remains on the Board as a Supervisor who has been elected to a new 6-year term.

As your Supervisors look ahead to a new year, we will be dealing with the following issues to ensure that Lower Paxton Township remains a premier community.

- Continued storm water work to update outdated infrastructure, including dysfunctional detention ponds, deteriorating pipe, and poorly managed stream channels.

- Development of the Wolfersberger tract into a much needed park consisting of baseball and soccer fields, and other outdoor recreation facilities.
- Updating our Comprehensive Plan to keep current with an ever changing world.
- Implementing a staff succession plan, as many of our baby boomers become eligible to retire from service.
- Continued sanitary sewer work to reduce wet weather flows throughout our sewage system.
- Improvements to our transportation network, including bridge replacements and specific highway projects.

As your Supervisors work to embrace change, we will continue to focus our efforts on that which makes Lower Paxton Township a great community. Your participation with the Board is encouraged and will be greatly appreciated.

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Boards and Commissions Have Vacancies

Lower Paxton Township is seeking residents to fill vacancies for each of the following: Arts Council, Friendship Center Operating Board, Greenway Committee, and Parks and Recreation Board. An alternate member for the Planning Commission is also needed.

In addition, the Board of Supervisors has created a committee to plan the Township's 250th Anniversary Celebration and is considering the creation of a Township Historic Committee. Applicants to these two bodies will also be appreciated.

Interested persons can apply online at www.lower-paxton.gov, by clicking on the Resource Page, then Forms and Applications, then on the Appointment form, and printing the form. Applications are also available at the Municipal Center. All applications should be forwarded to the Township Manager.

To Seniors and their Families In the 105th Legislative District

On March 10th, at 10 a.m., Representative Marsico will host a free presentation entitled "Talking Public Safety During These Changing Times" at the Friendship Senior Center, 5000 Commons Drive, Hbg, PA 17112.

PA State Police Trooper Rob Hicks will give an informative lecture highlighting precautions available to keep our families safe. Congressman Lou Barletta will be in attendance.

Due to limited seating, please RSVP by March 4th to Representative Marsico's district office at 717-652-3721.



The swearing in of a new Lower Paxton Township police officer took place on January 19th. L-R: Supervisor Gary Crissman, Supervisor Robin Lindsey, new Police Officer Melinda Gustin, Supervisor Bill Hawk, Board Chairman Bill Hornung, PSD Dave Spotts and Supervisor William Seeds.



The swearing in of Lower Paxton Township Supervisors took place on Monday, January 4, 2016 with Judge Richard Lewis (left) officiating. Newly elected Supervisors William Hawk (center) and Gary Crissman (far right).

2016 Citizens' Police Academy

The Lower Paxton Township Police Department will be conducting the 15th Annual Citizens' Police Academy, which will run from February 29 to May 9, 2016. Classes are held Monday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The Academy is a wonderful opportunity for members of the community to get to know our police officers and find out what they do.

Academy classes are open to adult residents of the Township and surrounding communities at no cost. Most classes are conducted in the Police Department at the Municipal Center. However, classes are also held at other locations in Dauphin County, and reliable personal transportation is required.

Citizens who attend the Academy learn about the testing and hiring process for a police officer, and hear lectures by officers from the various divisions within the Department. Topics include patrol operations, evidence collection and handling, traffic operations, use of force, and criminal investigations. Members of the Dauphin County Drug Task Force and the Dauphin County Critical Response Team will speak to the class, and Canine Rex and his handler, Officer Chad Miller, will also make an appearance.

The Academy class will tour other County agencies including the Dauphin County Judicial Center (also known as the booking center), the Dauphin County Prison, the Dauphin County Emergency Operations Center, the Dauphin County Coroner's Office, and a Magisterial District Justice Office where a mock hearing will be held.

Participants become members of the Citizens' Police Academy Alumni Association. *If you are a past graduate of the Academy please contact the Community Policing Division at 717-657-5656 to confirm that your information is current. We will be holding an alumni dinner in September and hope to reach all members with the invitation.*

If you are interested in attending the 2016 Citizens' Police Academy you can obtain an application online at www.lower-paxtonpd.gov under the "Programs" tab.

2016-2017 Waste Management Leaf Waste Schedule

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* If there is a holiday on or before your collection day, all collections are delayed one day.

Leaf Waste Collection Set Twice a Month

Waste Management, the Township's trash and recyclables collector, will collect unlimited leaf waste from regular service residential customers twice monthly from April 4th through December 9th. Tag-a-bag customers must buy tags for leaf waste collection. The tags are \$3.50 each.

Leaf waste collection day is the day following your standard trash/recyclables collection day. All leaf waste must be placed at the curb before 6 a.m. on collection day.

Leaf waste includes leaves, weeds, trimmings, bundled tree prunings and all garden waste. It does not include grass, which is collected as solid waste. Leaf waste must be placed loose in metal or plastic cans or "Kraft" bags, not exceeding 50 pounds when full. Plastic bags may not be used.

Brush must be cut and tied in bundles no more than six feet long, and tree branches can be no greater than two inches in diameter. Bundles cannot exceed 50 pounds. For additional information, call Waste Management at 717-232-0878.

Compost Facility Open 3 Days a Week

The Township's compost facility will be open, beginning April 5, from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, for residents and contractors until December 17th, weather permitting.

The 2016 annual fee for residents is \$40 and \$12 for a one-day permit. The annual permit fee for contractors is \$550, with a one-day permit costing \$60.

Anyone with a permit can drop off an unlimited amount of leaf waste and will be allowed to take screened compost and single grind woody waste from the facility, when available. Screened compost must be taken in Kraft bags or containers with capacities up to 36 gallons. It cannot be bulk loaded into trucks, trunks, or trailers.

Permits can be purchased at the Municipal Center and at Hornung's Hardware, 6005 Blue Bird Ave. Permits are not sold at the compost facility. Vehicle registration information is required when applying for a permit.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Supervisors took the following action at recent meetings:

- ✓ Entered into an Intermunicipal Agreement for the Chesapeake Bay Pollution Reduction Plan, as proposed by the Capital Area Council of Governments
- ✓ Accepted architectural services from Weber Murphy Fox to design improvements to the Friendship Center.
- ✓ Extended a lease with Drayer Physical Therapy for the Friendship Center West Annex.
- ✓ Adopted a PA Sewage Facilities Act special study for wastewater flow transfer from the Beaver Creek to Paxton Creek drainage basin for 12 residences on S. Arlene St.
- ✓ Entered into an Intermunicipal Agreement for the Paxton Creek Pollution Reduction Plan in conjunction with Susquehanna Township and Capital Region Water.
- ✓ Sold a 2001 Ford F350 Super Duty Truck to the Linglestown Fire Company.
- ✓ Accepted the Dauphin County 2015 Hazard Mitigation Plan as the Township's official Hazard Mitigation Plan.
- ✓ Held a public hearing on the proposed Paxton Creek TMDL Strategy developed cooperatively between Lower Paxton and Susquehanna Townships, and Capital Region Water.
- ✓ Issued General Obligation Bonds totaling \$29 million, with \$4 million for storm water improvements and the remainder to the sanitary sewer Infiltration and Inflow Program.
- ✓ Approved procedures and attorney fees for collection of delinquent sanitary sewer accounts.
- ✓ Accepted the 2016 Compensation Program for Administrative Employees, which is applicable to 27 employees.
- ✓ Authorized the Township Engineer to analyze the costs and considerations associated with revising development of the Public Works site, which includes an addition to the Public Works Building, a new youth baseball field, and a Dauphin County Magisterial District Justice Building.
- ✓ Accepted a Bill of Sale for the Linglestown Rotary Clock located in the village square. The clock was funded and installed through a partnership between the Rotary and the Linglestown Area Civic Association.
- ✓ Approved Conditional Use 15-01, which provides for the

- construction of an automobile repair garage in the Commercial General (CG) Zoning District by Hoffman Ford Sales.
- ✓ Appointed Zelenkofske Axelrod LLC, certified public accountants, to perform the Township's 2015 fiscal year audits.
- ✓ Approved the 2016 Domestic Animal Protective Service Agreement with the Humane Society of Harrisburg Area.
- ✓ Established a Sestercentennial Committee to prepare for the 250th anniversary of the Township, to be celebrated in 2017.
- ✓ Created the position of Alternate to the Planning Commission and requested applications from the community for appointment to this position.
- ✓ Accepted the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding with the Dauphin County Land Bank Authority as it applies to blighted properties.
- ✓ Approved the transfer of restaurant liquor license to Giant Food Stores, Inc. for their store on Union Deposit Road.
- ✓ Accepted an agreement for the Police Department to participate in the PA Aggressive Driving, Enforcement and Education Project.
- ✓ Ratified Emergency Declaration 16-01, as issued by the Township Manager on January 22nd for a winter storm.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- ✓ Reaffirmed the preliminary/final subdivision plan for Tina and Asher Benner located at 1220 Fairmont Drive.
- ✓ Approved the Planning Module for the Dauphin County Magisterial District Justice Building to be located on Locust Lane in front of the Public Works Building.
- ✓ Approved the preliminary/final land development plan for Dale Auer at 4014 Walnut Street.
- ✓ Approved the final subdivision plan for Stray Winds Farm, Phase II, located along McIntosh Drive.
- ✓ Accepted the second amendment to the Declaration of Restrictive Covenants for Lots 1, 2 and 3 in the final subdivision for the Mary E. Smith Estate (Weis Markets on Linglestown Road).
- ✓ Modified the phasing schedule for Shadebrook, located on Fairmont Drive between Locust Lane and Union Deposit Road.
- ✓ Approved the lot consolidation at 5812 Jonestown Road for Mione Properties LLC.

\$29 Million Bond Issue Approved

The Board of Supervisors approved a \$29 million bond issue, with \$4 million earmarked for ongoing repairs to the Township's stormwater drainage system and \$25 million for continued rehabilitation of the sanitary sewer system by the Lower Paxton Township Authority. The bond issue was sold at an average interest rate of 3.7 percent. Bond funds are being used to upgrade the sanitary sewer system, with construction efforts planned through 2033, as required to comply with wastewater standards issued by the PA DEP.

Holiday Trash Collection

Trash and recyclables will be collected under the normal schedule on Good Friday, March 25. They will be collected a day late the week of May 30 because of the Memorial Day holiday.

For more information on the collection of solid waste and recyclables visit lowerpaxton-pa.gov.

Township Meetings Schedule

■ MARCH

- 1 Board of Supervisors, 7:30 p.m.
- 2 Arts Council, Friendship Center, 4 p.m.
- 2 Planning Commission, 7 p.m.
- 2 Parks & Recreation Board, Friendship Center, 7:15 p.m.
- 8 Board of Supervisors Workshop Meeting, 6 p.m.
- 14 Friendship Center Operating Board, Friendship Ctr., 6:30 p.m.
- 15 Board of Supervisors, 7:30 p.m.
- 16 Greenway Committee, Friendship Center, 5:45 p.m.
- 16 Community Engagement Committee, Friendship Ctr., 7 p.m.
- 22 Shade Tree Commission, 4:30 p.m.
- 24 Zoning Hearing Board, 7 p.m.

■ APRIL

- 5 Board of Supervisors, 7:30 p.m.
- 6 Arts Council, Friendship Center, 4 p.m.
- 6 Planning Commission, 7 p.m.
- 6 Parks & Recreation Board, Friendship Center, 7:15 p.m.
- 12 Board of Supervisors Workshop Session, 6 p.m.

- 13 Friendship Center Operating Board, Friendship Ctr., 6:30 p.m.
- 19 Board of Supervisors, 7:30 p.m.
- 20 Greenway Committee, Friendship Center, 5:45 p.m.
- 20 Community Engagement Committee, Friendship Ctr., 7 p.m.
- 26 Shade Tree Commission, 4:30 p.m.
- 28 Zoning Hearing Board, 7 p.m.

■ MAY

- 2 Public Safety Committee, 2:30 p.m.
- 3 Board of Supervisors, 7:30 p.m.
- 4 Arts Council, Friendship Center, 4 p.m.
- 4 Planning Commission, 7 p.m.
- 4 Parks & Recreation Board, Friendship Center, 7:15 p.m.
- 9 Friendship Center Operating Board, Friendship Ctr. 6:30 p.m.
- 10 Board of Supervisors Workshop Meeting, 6 p.m.
- 17 Board of Supervisors, 7:30 p.m.
- 18 Greenway Committee, Friendship Center, 5:45 p.m.
- 18 Community Engagement Committee, Friendship Ctr., 7 p.m.
- 24 Shade Tree Commission, 4:30 p.m.
- 24 Authority Board, 6 p.m.
- 26 Zoning Hearing Board, 7 p.m.

■ JUNE

- 1 Arts Council, Friendship Center, 4 p.m.
- 1 Planning Commission, 7 p.m.
- 1 Parks and Recreation Board, Friendship Center, 7:15 p.m.
- 7 Board of Supervisors, 7:30 p.m.
- 13 Friendship Center Operating Board, Friendship Ctr., 6:30 p.m.
- 14 Board of Supervisors, 6 p.m.
- 15 Greenway Committee, Friendship Center, 5:45 p.m.
- 15 Community Engagement Committee, Friendship Ctr., 7 p.m.
- 21 Board of Supervisors, 7:30 p.m.
- 23 Zoning Hearing Board, 7 p.m.
- 28 Shade Tree Commission, 4:30 p.m.

MUNICIPAL CENTER CLOSED

March 25 – Good Friday

May 30 – Memorial Day

Meetings listed above are held in the Municipal Center, 425 Prince St., except where noted. Meeting times are subject to change. Please check the website for updates to the schedule.

FOLLOW THE BOARD ON COMCAST CABLE CHANNEL 21 AND VERIZON CHANNEL 22

ALL BOARD MEETINGS ON TV

The Township Board of Supervisors meetings are televised on Comcast cable channel 21 and Verizon channel 22 and rebroadcast the following Thursday at 7 p.m. and Saturday at noon.



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS – Standing, from left, William C. Seeds, Sr., Robin L. Lindsey and Board Chairman William L. Hornung. Seated, from left, Gary A. Crissman and William B. Hawk.

Lower Paxton Township Mission, Vision Statement

Lower Paxton Twp. will be an open, vibrant, and progressive municipality working within the bounds of available resources, providing the best quality of life for a growing community and to be a recognized leader in Central Pennsylvania.

To achieve our vision, Lower Paxton Twp. will work to meet and exceed the needs of a growing township in a cost-efficient manner.

Township Phone Numbers

425 Prince Street, Harrisburg, PA 17109

Administration — 657-5600	Parks & Recreation — 657-5635
Board Voice Mail — 724-8327	Friendship Center — 657-5635
Police Department — 657-5656	Sewer Department — 657-5617
Public Works Department — 657-5615	Web Site — lowerpaxton-pa.gov

TAXES UP SLIGHTLY IN \$22.7 MILLION BUDGET

Township Supervisors approved a 2016 budget that calls for approximately \$22.7 million in General Fund spending and an increase in the real estate tax by 0.25 mills.

The increase raises the real estate tax to 1.95 mills. The owner of a property assessed at \$200,000 will pay \$390, of which \$71 goes for fire protection and \$8.20 for county libraries.

The Township remains on the low end of real estate tax millage in Dauphin County. The average millage in the county is 2.541 mills, Supervisors said.

The earned income tax is still the largest revenue producer in the Township at \$7.6 million. The real estate tax is expected to generate \$6 million, 20% of which (over \$1 million) funds volunteer fire services and equipment.

2016 spending includes continued funding of Township-wide stormwater improvements; the purchase of 3 primary pieces of firefighting apparatus; construction of an addition to the Public Works building; continued earthmoving for future park development at the Wolfersberger Tract; and work to replace the Jonestown Road Bridge, in conjunction with PennDOT and West Hanover Township.

SEWER AUTHORITY BUDGET

The Township Authority, operating as an “enterprise” entity, provides sanitary sewer service to residents and businesses. Its 2016 budget projects \$15.3 million in revenues and \$15.1 million in expenditures. In addition, the Authority will undertake more than \$9.3 million in capital projects this year. The

Heroes Grove Rally For The Troops May 7 Ribbon Cutting June 17

Phase One of Dauphin County Heroes Grove is complete. The amphitheater, located in Brightbill Park in Lower Paxton Township, is now available as a venue for community events. Information on rental fees and reservations for Heroes Grove can be made through the Township’s Department of Parks and Recreation.

Heroes Grove is a tribute to those who serve. The amphitheater honors veterans, emergency responders, law enforcement personnel and ordinary citizens who have demonstrated their dedication to our communities, the Commonwealth and the country.

The site will host ceremonies, educational seminars, festivals and concerts. The first major event will be held on Saturday, May 7th when WHP 580 will hold their Rally for the Troops at Heroes Grove. An official ribbon cutting ceremony is slated for June 17th.

Planning and fundraising for Phase Two of the Dauphin County Heroes Grove project is now underway. Complete details on the facility are available at www.heroesgrove.org.

2016 sanitary sewer rate for a residential unit increased from \$130 per quarter to \$139 per quarter.

The Authority has a 2016 fund balance of \$17 million, which will be used on the system-wide reconstruction of the sewer system, under a multi-year improvement program required by the State Department of Environmental Protection.

FRIENDSHIP CENTER BUDGET

The Friendship Center recreation facility has a 2016 Operating Fund budget of \$2.2 million, with nearly 95 percent of the revenue coming from user charges. These revenues fund operations, debt service, and capital facilities.

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED; APPOINTMENTS APPROVED

The Township Board of Supervisors has elected William B. Hornung, Chairman; Gary A. Crissman, Vice Chairman; William B. Hawk, Township Secretary; William C. Seeds, Sr., Treasurer; and Robin L. Lindsey, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer.

It also reappointed George Wolfe as Township Manager, Stine Law Offices as Solicitor, Lowman Henry as Vacancy Board Chairman, and Herbert Rowland and Grubic as Township Engineer, and approved the following appointments to boards, commissions and committees:

- **Arts Advisory Council** – Mary Grace Newsome, Stanley Smith, Patricia Crawford, and Lorraine Rogers, one-year terms
- **Audit Committee** – Gary A. Crissman, William B. Hawk, and George Wolfe, one-year terms
- **Community Engagement Committee** – Patricia Crawford, Neal Johnson, Sandy Prah, Bruce Senft, Stan Smith, Tom Thomas, and Jim Seidler, one-year terms
- **Friendship Center Operating Board** – John Deiter, three-year term
- **Greenway Committee** – James Seidler, Roy Newsome, Tom Thomas, Susan Landau, and Debra Correll, one-year terms
- **Planning Commission** – Douglas Grove and Lisa Schaefer, four-year terms
- **Public Safety Committee** – Chiefs and Presidents of Colonial Park, Linglestown, and Paxtonia Fire Companies; Fire Marshall, Public Safety Director, representative from South Central EMS, and Emergency Operations Director, one-year terms.
- **Shade Tree Commission** – Norm Lacasse, PH.D., five-year term
- **Zoning Hearing Board** – David Dowling and Alan Hansen, five-year terms.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Koons Memorial Swim Club Season Passes

The season passes are now available for purchase for the 2016 summer season. Applications are on the website at www.koonspool.com or call 717 602-5265. The cost of the passes is \$250 for a family of six or \$160 for an individual. The pool will be open Memorial Day weekend. Book your summer pool parties. For swim team information go to ejbaylor22K@yahoo.com. For applications for employment and volunteer opportunities check out the website above.

Penn Colonial Swim Club

Penn Colonial Swim Club Membership information for the 2016 season is available at www.penncolonialswimclub.com. Visit us online or e-mail us @ penncolonial@gmail.com for 2016 information. The pool opens Memorial Day weekend 2016.

CD High School Alumni Association

The Central Dauphin High School Alumni Association meets at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month in the Gander Lodge Room at Gander Mountain Store, Rt. 22 and Devonshire Road in Colonial Park. The Association also has two monthly breakfasts at 9 a.m. at City Line Diner, 3302 Derry St., and The Promenade Family Restaurant, 5290 Derry St. The breakfasts and meetings are open to CD graduates, retired staff, and CD fans. Call 541-0220 or go online at www.cdhsalumni.com for more information.

Hershey AARP Chapter Welcomes Township Residents

With the Lower Paxton chapter of AARP no longer functioning, the Hershey Chapter is welcoming Township residents who would like to join or attend. Meetings are usually at 1:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month in Hershey. The chapter has more than 75 members from various communities. For more information call Jim Walters of Lower Paxton at 545-2726.

Hopeful Moms

Looking for faith, fellowship and fun with other Christian moms? Then join us for Hopeful Moms the second and fourth Fridays of each month at New Hope Church, 584 Colonial Club Road. The sessions are from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Child care is provided. For more information, call 545-3400.

Senior Van Volunteers Needed

The Lower Paxton Senior Van Service needs volunteers to help as a desk dispatcher or as a van driver. Call 657-5650, from 8 a.m. to noon, to volunteer or to leave a message.

Local Tax Return is Due April 18

Taxpayers with earned income in 2015 are required to file an earned income tax return by Monday, April 18 this year, because Emancipation Day will be recognized on April 15.

If you live and work in Pennsylvania, you can *e-file* on a secure website at www.KeystoneCollects.com.

Keystone Collections Group's *e-file* is the easy, fast and secure way to file your 2015 tax return. You will need your W-2, your Social Security Number, and any other income documents that may apply (such as a PA-UE or a Schedule C).

If you have questions regarding local tax filing, visit Keystone's [Frequently Asked Questions](#) or call Keystone's **Taxpayer Helpline** at 1-888-328-0565. You can also email your questions [Taxpayer Support](#). Taxpayer Service Agents try to respond to all online inquiries within three business days.

Newcomers and Friends of the Capital Area

Just moved to the Harrisburg Capital area, newly retired, or an empty nester? Newcomers helps women of all ages meet new friends, learn about their communities and participate in lots of fun activities. For more information, check us out at newcomers2harrisburgpa.com or call 717-559-0247. You don't have to be new to join.

Linglestown Fire Ladies Auxiliary

The Linglestown Fire Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of the month at the Linglestown Fire Company Hall. Call 657-1869 for more information.

Executive Women International (EWI)

The Harrisburg Chapter of Executive Women International meets the third Thursday of every month. The chapter's mission is to promote member businesses, enhance personal and professional development and encourage community involvement.

For more information, contact Cynthia Sudor, EWI Membership Chairperson, at casudor@verizon.net.

Linglestown Community Garden Club

The Linglestown Community Garden Club meets the second Wednesday of the month at the Linglestown Fire Hall. For more information, call President Kathleen Rice at 545-5763.

Meals on Wheels

The Dauphin County Area Agency on Aging provides a Meals on Wheels Program to older adults in Lower Paxton Twp. The Agency, through volunteer resources, provides a noontime hot meal to the elderly. Various volunteer opportunities exist through the agency. Individuals who wish to volunteer for the Meals on Wheels program can call 780-6130.

Kiwanis Club

The Kiwanis Club of East Shore Harrisburg meets at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at St. Andrew in the Valley Episcopal Church, 4620 Linglestown Road. Call 545-6793 for more information.

Linglestown Women's Club

The Linglestown Women's Club meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., September through April, in the Fellowship Hall of the Linglestown Life United Methodist Church on Mountain Road. For information call Mrs. Nancy Zlogar at 691-6849. The Club awards scholarships annually to two Central Dauphin School District seniors.

Take Time to Save a Life

The Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank, which has a donor site at 4311 Londonderry Rd., opposite the Community General Osteopathic Hospital, is in need of blood. If you are 17 years old or over, weigh at least 110 pounds, and are in good health the Blood Bank needs your help. Please call the Blood Bank at 1-800-771-0059 or 566-6161 to schedule an appointment or for more information.

Golden Age Club

The Lower Paxton Twp. Golden Age Club meets the first Tuesday of each month at the Paxtonia Fire Hall at 1 p.m.

Caring Hospice Services

Caring Hospice of Central PA is looking for volunteers interested in visiting our Hospice patients. Your conversation, companionship, kindness would be greatly appreciated by those in our community in time of need. For more information, or to volunteer, call Mary Lahead at 295-1700. Training is available for those who volunteer.

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LPT Receives Adaptive Traffic Signals

PennDOT has announced that the final phases of the In-Sync Adaptive Traffic Signal Systems have gone into operation on major traffic corridors in Cumberland and Dauphin Counties. The adaptive signal technology will function at 27 intersections in Cumberland County and 26 intersections in Dauphin County.

In Lower Paxton Township adaptive traffic signals are now operating on Jonestown Road/ Allentown Blvd. In fact, all of U.S. 22, from the intersection of Allentown Boulevard and Shannon Drive through Susquehanna Township and Penbrook Borough, including a section of State Street in the City of Harrisburg, now have adaptive traffic signals.

Adaptive traffic signals adjust the timing of the green phases to accommodate changing traffic volumes and patterns to ease traffic congestion. PennDOT cautions, however, that motorists may not notice a significant reduction in congestion during peak travel times (morning and evening rush hours). The only viable way to reduce rush hour congestion is to build additional travel lanes, which is not a feasible option.

The Cumberland/Dauphin adaptive signal project has been completed at a cost of \$3.6 million. The project is 100% federally funded with Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality funds. All adaptive signals are expected to be fully functional by the end of February.

Arbor Day May 2

Arbor day will be May 2, at 12:30 p.m. at North Side Elementary School located at 4520 Devonshire Road. Students from their 4th grade will be involved in the event and the public is invited to attend.



Election Workers Needed for District 17

Workers are needed to man the polls for the April and November Elections for District 17, (Harrisburg Bible Church) to fill full or part-time positions. Training will be provided. Full time workers are paid \$115 tax free and part time workers are paid \$60. If interested in serving your community contact Jerry Feaser at 780-6360 or 943-0740.

Online Sewer Payment

To pay your sewer bill by credit card or e-check, access MUNICIPALPAY at www.lowerpaxton-pa.gov. A convenience fee will be charged.