



# WEST WARD MOSAIC

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Mission Statement ~ Foster a safe, flourishing neighborhood full of economic opportunities and community pride where diverse people are connected, supported and visible.

**SERVICE AREA EXPANDED!! PLEASE CALL TODAY FOR MORE INFORMATION!!**

**The Center** (Formerly Northampton County SPCA)  
for Animal Health & Welfare 1165 Island Park Rd. Easton, PA 18042  
*Finding Forever Homes for Homeless Animals* Tel: 610-252-7722 ext. 8

We are doing a TNR (Trap, Neuter, Release) program in your neighborhood. As part of a grant received from Pet Smart Charities and in cooperation with the city of Easton we are trapping 200 feral or street cats. Once fixed and returned to their neighborhood the population of stray cats will stabilize and there will be less fighting and spraying by the males. **Help us to Help You** by contacting the number below if you know of any caregivers who are feeding colonies of street cats. CALL: 610- 252-7722



Residents of the EASTON AREA can purchase a \$10.00 voucher to have your dog or cat spayed/neutered.

Vouchers can be purchased at Easton Area Community Center located at 901 Washington St., M-F 11am-6pm

You MUST bring \$10.00 CASH ONLY to receive your voucher. Vouchers are valid through December 2014.

Call 610-438-2680 with questions.



## FREE FLU SHOTS

The Department of Health is providing **FREE** flu shots! 6 months of age and up.



### FACTS

- The flu season is here.
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that all persons ages 6 months and older get a flu shot.
- It's important to get a flu vaccine every year, even if you got vaccinated the season before.
- Getting the flu vaccine not only protects you from influenza, but your loved ones as well.

### WHEN

1 – 3 p.m.  
Dec. 12, 2013

### WHERE

Easton Area Public Library  
Catherine Drake  
Community Room  
515 Church St.  
Easton, PA 18042  
Handicapped access from Church St.

This is a **FREE** flu clinic offered by the Pa. Dept. of Health.

Please call the Pa. Dept. of Health at 610-250-1825 if you have questions or to schedule an appointment.

Weed & Seed Office 1201 Ferry Street, 1st Floor ~ Call us at 610-438-2680 ~ Email us at [weedandseed@easton-pa.gov](mailto:weedandseed@easton-pa.gov)

Feel free to contact us for additional information regarding our programs/committees, if you have comments or questions about the West Ward or would like to share an idea. View the West Ward Mosaic, as well as other important information pertaining to the community, online at [www.easton-pa.gov](http://www.easton-pa.gov) click on Weed & Seed. You can also become a FAN on FACEBOOK at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/weed-and-seed/1191423247630791>!!



**Mark your calendar...**

# COOKIES & MILK WITH SANTA

**\*This is a PAXINOSA ELEMENTARY event ONLY\***  
**\*\*PRE-REGISTRATION WAS REQUIRED\*\***

Please join us on December 12, 2013 to enjoy some cookies and milk, visit with Santa Claus, and get a free book for each child under 18 years of age.

**Time:** 6:00-8:00 pm

**Where:** Paxinosa Cafeteria (located on the corner of Northampton and 12<sup>th</sup> Streets)

**Who:** all of our **Paxinosa children** and their immediate families, limit 2 adults(18 & older) per family.

**Cost:** \$3 per family. (Fee will be used to pay for the evening)

**DON'T FORGET TO RETURN YOUR REGISTRATION FORM WITH THE \$3 FEE!**

**Sponsored by Weed & Seed and Paxinosa PTA.**

### National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

NAMI is the National Alliance on Mental Illness. It is a non-profit organization serving people with a mental illness, their family members, friends and professionals. NAMI's mission is to improve the services and the quality of life for people with mental illness.

For more information about FREE educational programs and other local support groups contact NAMI at 610-882-2102 OR email: [info@namipalehighvalley.org](mailto:info@namipalehighvalley.org) OR [www.nami-lv.org](http://www.nami-lv.org)

### NEED DENTAL CARE???

The Northampton Dental Initiative (NDI) provides free restorative and preventative care to people who have no dental insurance and meet the NDI financial qualifications. To be eligible to participate in (NDI) you must be a resident of Northampton County, Pennsylvania and your household income must be under 150% of the federal poverty level for 2013. (NDI) provides general restorative and preventative care including oral exams, x-ray's, cleanings, fluoride treatments, simple extractions, sealants, and oral health education. For more information on how to apply and determining eligibility, please call 1-866-903-9104.



**Did you know that Easton has a computer center available for anyone to use for free?**

The computers and programs are free for you to use (a nominal fee charged for printing). During our Open Lab hours, you may use the computers to job search, write your resume, take an online course, email, study, do research, etc. **Would you like to learn to use a computer? We have volunteers available to assist you.** You may call the Center @ 610-438-5434 or go to <https://sites.google.com/site/nestonheightsnnc> for more information. The location is 210 Jones Houston Way (in the same Community Building as the Boys & Girls Club).

**The current lab hours are: Mon. & Tues. 9am-12pm, Wed. & Thurs. 1-4pm**

### Employment Opportunities

PATCH.COM every Monday

JOBGATEWAY.PA.GOV

PACAREERLINK.STATE.PA.US



### Health Services Available ...

**ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL INFOLINK** at 1-866-785-8537 Infolink is available 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Monday - Friday

**Easton Phillipsburg Muslim Assoc.**

1017 Lehigh St, Easton 484-903-4903 email: [freeclinic@epmaonline.org](mailto:freeclinic@epmaonline.org)

6:30 - 8:30 pm 1st THURSDAY each month

**FREE Clinical Breast Exams and Pap Tests for Uninsured Women**

APPOINTMENT NECESSARY

Call 610-969-2800 Weekly 8:30am-4pm

**Safe Harbor Medical Clinic 536 Bushkill Drive in Easton**

Call today to schedule an appointment! Hours: EVERY Tuesday 6 - 10 PM. Open to the public. 610-258-5540 [www.safeharboreaston.com](http://www.safeharboreaston.com)

### WIC & You ~ Making Healthy Choices Together!

**CALL TODAY TO FIND OUT IF YOU QUALIFY!!!**

A family of four can make up to \$40,793 a year. **Contact us Today!** Easton WIC Center, 101 Larry Holmes Plaza, Suite 101 or call 610-258-6938.



# FRESH CUT CHRISTMAS TREES



## EASTON PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

Sale starts Black Friday!  
Beautiful Douglas & Fraser Firs Available  
\$30 for any tree.

Hours / Thursday & Friday 5:00PM to 9:00PM  
Saturday & Sunday 10:00AM to 9:00PM

Location / In the parking lot next  
to Frank & Dots Beer Depot  
Corner of Spring Garden St. &  
Larry Holmes Drive, Easton , PA





Great things are happening at EACC! Saint's Clubhouse is full of kids this school year...more than ever before, and our Saint's sports are well underway! We are so proud to be serving Easton and the West Ward, offering quality programs, along with many wonderful community partners, to our youth, their families and residents of Easton.

We are proud to announce the following programs that will be starting right after the New Year at EACC.

- Lehigh Valley Breastfeeding Moms Group begins on Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. Please contact Liz Chang at [08chang@gmail.com](mailto:08chang@gmail.com) or call 610-997-7918 for more information!
- CACLV will be holding seminars for First Time Home Buyers. The dates are January 4, 11 and 18 from 8:15 – 1:00pm.
- AARP will be at EACC offering tax prep aid beginning in February. This service is intended for seniors and low income individuals. Days and times TBA.

The EACC staff wishes everyone a joyous holiday season and a safe and Happy New Year!

Easton Area Community Center. 901 Washington Street, Easton, PA 18042

Call 610-253-8271, or email [saints1@ptd.net](mailto:saints1@ptd.net)

"Like" us on Facebook!



The *Youth Entrepreneurs at Easton Community Center* hope you had a nice Thanksgiving and this month we would like to talk with you about how teenagers can give back. To the community and families During the holiday season since Christmas will be here soon here are some ideas that we would like to suggest that you can do in Easton:

1. Hold a toy drive and donate them to Toys for Tots.
2. Offer to shovel a neighbor's sidewalk if it snows.
3. Offer to wrap presents for your parents.
4. Offer to clean the house or at least wash the dishes after dinner.
5. Volunteer at the homeless shelter or animal shelter.
6. Donate food to the food pantry.
7. Get some friends and clean your streets.
8. Write a letter to a soldier.
9. Write a holiday card to a child in the hospital.
10. Write THANK YOU notes to teachers for being teachers.

WE HOPE EVERYONE TAKES AT LEAST ONE HOUR THIS DECEMBER TO THINK ABOUT SOMETHING YOU CAN DO TO MAKE SOMEONE ELSE JUST FEEL BETTER THIS CHRISTMAS!

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR!



### Children of Incarcerated Parents Group

Sessions to include  
 Week 1: What am I feeling?  
 Week 2: Definitions: Incarceration related Terms  
 Week 3: My Family  
 Week 4: Grief and Loss  
 Week 5: Personal and Family Trauma  
 Week 6 Feelings and Thoughts  
 Week 7: Personal strengths and Growth  
 Week 8: Homecoming and Reentry

Tuesdays  
 at 5 PM at  
 the  
 KidsPeace  
 Family Ctr.

A group for  
 children  
 covering  
 issues  
 important to  
 kids with an  
 incarcerated  
 family  
 member.

Walk-in appointments M—F 9am-6pm

1650 Broadway,  
 Bethlehem, PA 18015  
 610-799-8600



## West Ward Academy Training Services

### EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRAINING

First Aid & CPR/AED  
 Medic Mom/Medic Dad (Infant & Toddler Emergency Medical Care)  
 Babysitter Training Program  
 Healthcare Provider/Basic Life Support  
 (American Heart Association certifications available)

### PROTECTION SERVICES TRAINING

*Principles of Personal Protection Training*  
*Third-Party Protection (the science of protecting others)*  
*Church Ministry*  
*Security Awareness Training*  
*Optional Specialized Courses*

For more info: [wwatrainingservices@gmail.com](mailto:wwatrainingservices@gmail.com) or 610-217-8396  
 WWATS is a fundraising effort of West Ward Academy  
[www.thewestwardacademy.com](http://www.thewestwardacademy.com)

## The NEW 10th Street Laundromat

Free Wi-Fi

### 939 Ferry Street, Easton PA 18042

(Located on the corner of 10th St. & Ferry St.)

Coin-Op

Carpeted lounge with comfortable seating, Snacks, Hot & Cold drinks, and unmetered free on street parking.



## Wash & Fold Service NOW Available!

Commercial Accounts Welcome

Let Our Staff Wash/Dry and Fold Your Laundry!

Drop Off Service Only .70 per lb.

Pickup & Delivery Service is \$1.00 per lb. (Easton)

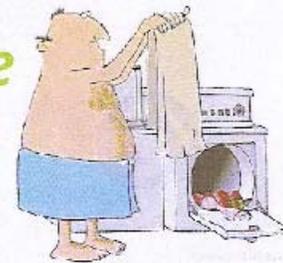
Pickup & Delivery Service is \$1.25 per lb. (Phillipsburg)

Call to Schedule Services.

(484)-903-9735 or (610)-258-3495

Open 7 Days a Week 7AM-9PM

Last Wash at 8PM





# Children's Literacy Program READING ROOM

## DECEMBER 2013 SCHEDULE CALLING ALL KIDS!!

Visit the Reading Room during November for programs AND FREE books. Have fun through inspired stories and activities.

Open every Thursday 11:00 a.m. - 7 p.m.  
First Saturdays & Third Saturdays 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

### December 7 - "Waiting for Christmas"

Let's count the days and make waiting for Christmas seem shorter.

### December 21 - "Christmas Gifts"

Gift giving at Christmastime is a way to express our caring and love. Nothing means more than those made by precious hands.

EASTON AREA COMMUNITY CENTER  
901 Washington Street, Easton, PA 18042  
For additional information, contact us at  
610-250-6562 [copsnkidseaston@gmail.com](mailto:copsnkidseaston@gmail.com)

THE  
NURTURE  
NATURE  
CENTER

*A seat waits  
for you.*

518 Northampton Street  
Easton, PA 18042  
610-253-4432

OPEN -  
Saturdays: 10am-1pm  
Wednesdays: 10am-1pm  
Thursdays: 6pm-9pm

Featuring shows on our  
six foot animated globe:  
Science on a Sphere®!

UPCOMING EVENTS -

**November 14th:**  
Thursday, 6pm-8pm:  
**Food Forum** run by Envision  
Lehigh Valley and the Greater  
Lehigh Valley Chapter of Buy  
Fresh Buy Local. What are the  
needs for fresh food locally?  
Come learn more and offer your  
input into a new Fresh Food  
Access Plan.

**November 21st:**  
Thursday, 6pm-9pm:  
**Art Opening Reception -**  
**"Seasons and Signs"**  
paintings by Isadore LaDuca.  
Exhibit in Science Hall Gallery  
through January 31st.

**December 15th:**  
Sunday, 5:30pm-7:15pm:  
**Yoga Under the Sphere:**  
\$15.00 to benefit the  
Shanthi Project, NNC, and  
Easton Yoga.



SCIENCE



ART EXHIBITS:

**Friday, November 11th, 5-8pm - Downtown Easton Art Walk**  
Nurture Nature Center hosts the **Hillcrest Camera Club Members' Exhibition, Resiliency**  
Exhibit runs through December 15th.

**Thursday, November 21st, 6-8pm**  
**Art Opening Reception - Seasons and Signs**, paintings by Isadore LaDuca.  
Exhibit runs through January 31st.

A center for science, art and dialogue.

[www.nurturenaturecenter.org](http://www.nurturenaturecenter.org)

**Easton Weed & Seed**  
**Meeting/Program Schedule & Contact Information**  
*Meetings Open to the Public PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED!*

For additional information contact  
Laura Accetta, Site Coordinator at (610) 438-2680 or  
[laccetta@easton-pa.gov](mailto:laccetta@easton-pa.gov)

**Northampton County Re-Entry Coalition**, Contact: Laura Savenelli/Re-Entry Coordinator, Location: Weed & Seed Office, 1201 Ferry Street, 1st Floor, Office Hours: MTW 10AM - 3PM, 610-438-2680 [lsavenelli@familyanswers.org](mailto:lsavenelli@familyanswers.org), Contact Laura Savenelli for meeting times and dates.

**Easton Blockwatch - We are ALWAYS looking for new members!** Contact the Weed & Seed Office at 610-438-2680 for meeting information. Contact: Lt. J. Remaley at 610-250-6752 or [jremaley@easton-pa.gov](mailto:jremaley@easton-pa.gov) OR Block Watch President/Scott Reiman [eastonblockwatch@yahoo.com](mailto:eastonblockwatch@yahoo.com)

**Community Builders (CB)**

As people of faith we believe that as we have been blessed, we are called to be a "blessing" bringing about revitalization and reconciliation. CB seeks to do that through planned "service days" within our community and amongst our neighbors. We would love to have you join us! ALL skill levels and ages welcome & needed! If you are in need of a service or would like to volunteer with CB please contact Laura Accetta at 610-438-2680 or [laccetta@easton-pa.gov](mailto:laccetta@easton-pa.gov) for more information.

**THE EASTON  
ECCENTRIC**

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**Eastoneccentric.blogspot.com**  
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**Do you know how to contact your local Government Officials?**

**Governor Tom Corbett (R)**  
200 S. Broad Street, 11th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19102  
215-560-2640

**Representative Robert Freeman (D)**  
215 Northampton Street, Easton, PA 18042  
610-253-5543

**Senator Lisa Boscola (D)**  
Main Street Commons, 559 Main St, Ste 270, Bethlehem, PA 18018  
610-868-8667

*Easton Weed & Seed would like to wish  
everyone a very happy  
and safe Holiday  
Season!!*



*All the best to you  
and your family for a  
prosperous and  
healthy 2014!*

**IMPORTANT NUMBERS:**

EMERGENCY: 911 Weed & Seed: 610-438-2680

- \*American Disability Act (ADA): 1-800-514-0301
- Childline-Suspected child abuse: 1-800-932-0313
- \*Code Violations & Vacant Property: 610-250-6723
- \*Crime Victim's Council: 610-437-6611
- \*EASD Anonymous Safety Hotline: 610-250-2400 X35411 for the purpose of reporting any safety concerns which may jeopardize the safety of staff or students.
- \*Easton School District: 610-250-2400
- \*Fire Non-Emergency: 610-250-6676
- \*Homeless Supportive Services: 610-433-6421
- \*Illegal Dumping: 610-330-2200
- \*Mayor's Clean & Safe Hotline: 610-250-6737
- \*National Alliance on Mental Illness: 610-882-2102
- \*Northampton County Assistance: 610-250-1700
- \*Northampton County Emergency Svcs: 610-252-9060 24-Hour Hotline
- \*Police Non-Emergency: 610-759-2200
- \*Protection from Abuse: 610-559-3061
- \*Public Works: 610-250-6680
- \*Social Security: 1-800-772-1213
- \*Turning Point-Domestic Violence: 610-437-3369 24-Hour Hotline
- \*Valley Wide Help: 2-1-1
- \*Voter Registration: 610-559-3199
- \*Birth/Death Certificates - certified or non-certified contact Division of Vital Records, Phone: (724)-656-3100 or [www.portal.health.state.pa.us](http://www.portal.health.state.pa.us)

**LOCAL FOOD BANKS**

**Salvation Army**, 1110 Northampton St, 610-258-9531  
**St. Vincent de Paul**, 841 Washington St, 1st & 3rd T from 6-7:30 pm 610-253-0814  
**St. Pauls Lutheran**, 610 W Berwick St, TH 6-7:30 pm, 610-258-2612  
**ProJeCt of Easton, Inc.**, 330 Ferry St, M & TH 10-12:30 pm & TH 1-3:30 pm, 610-258-4361  
**Holy Temple of Easton**, 824 Ferry Street, TH 7-8 pm. 610-250-9886  
**Easton Area Neighborhood Center, Inc.**, 902 Philadelphia Rd, 2nd & 4th SA 9am-Noon, 610-253-4253  
*For a more complete list you can also go to [www.shfbvl.org](http://www.shfbvl.org) or contact the Weed & Seed office at 610-438-2680.*  
**Animal Food Bank of the LV**, NCC, Fowler Family Southside Center, 511 E 3rd St, Rm 73, Bethlehem, 484-851-8000, [www.animalfoodbanklehighvalley.com](http://www.animalfoodbanklehighvalley.com)

**FREE CYCLE, LLC**  
Free electronic recycling drop off

In Northampton County:  
1120 S. 25th Street, Easton  
Hours: Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 9:30am - 4pm  
First Saturday of each month 9am - 12pm

Go to [www.freecyclellc.com](http://www.freecyclellc.com) or call 484-866-0927 for a complete listing of what is and is not accepted.



**PAXINOSA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** is always collecting Box Tops for Education! The funds from this program are used to purchase school supplies, playground equipment, etc. Don't have a child in Paxinosa?? Call the Weed & Seed office at 610-438-2680, to make arrangements to drop off your Box Tops and we'll get them to the school for you!!