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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.

Easton Weed & Seed

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

All proceeds from table/space fees will be used for future family programming.

**WHERE: Centennial Park
(corner of 12th & Ferry Streets)**

WHEN: SATURDAY MAY 17, 2014

**TIME: 8:00 AM—2:00 PM
RAIN OR SHINE!!**

**FEE: \$10 per 10x10 space using your own table
\$20 per 10x10 space and W&S provides the table**

**CONTACT the Easton Weed & Seed office @ 610-438-2680
for more information or to register.**

**Cash or Check payment must be received by May 9, 2014
to guarantee your space**



Weed & Seed Office 1201 Ferry Street, 1st Floor ~ Call us at 610-438-2680 ~ Email us at 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 click on Weed & Seed. You can also become a FAN on FACEBOOK at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/weed-and-seed/119142324763079!!>

This publication is not sponsored or endorsed by the Easton Area School District.

SERVICE AREA EXPANDED to ALL of 18042 (except Williams Township)!!

The Center

for Animal Health & Welfare

Finding Forever Homes for Homeless Animals

(Formerly Northampton County SPCA)
1165 Island Park Rd. Easton, PA 18042
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.



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 OR 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

WWW.JOBUNGO.COM

JOBGATEWAY.PA.GOV

PACAREERLINK.STATE.PA.US

CHECK OUT

www.careerlinkhighvalley.org for information regarding several Job Fairs during the month of April.

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.

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
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



Children of Incarcerated Parents Group

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

Tuesdays at 5 PM at the KidsPeace Family Ctr.

Walk-in appointments M-F 9am-6pm

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



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

P A X N E W S

Hello everyone! This is a busy time, for sure. Below please find a quick rundown of some "Pax Pride" news. It always helps when you spread the word. Our students don't always get the attention and props that they deserve when people talk about what is going on in the district. Many do not realize that the teachers and staff give their own time to make Paxinosa a better place. We can all work on morale, spirit, and pride if we send the message that our students ARE BUSY! As Mr. V. mentioned on Grandparents Day, Paxinosa is a hidden gem. Maybe we are too hidden!

Remember that you can go to the Board meetings and comment and let the board know what goes on here. (See the district website for details. You can even watch current and previous EASD meetings online.)

Lunch With The Principal- Kids keep talking about this, and the "random dancing"! Field trips in the works, Spring chorus concert coming up, Too Good For Violence" program, May 7, through Center For Humanistic Change, Tobacco Program through Center For Humanistic Change, Safety Matters" program through Crime Victims Council, Two Dollar Books: May 13 (instead of May 6, due to Book Fair), there are more good things, this isn't everything. Thank you to our PTA President Judy Hollenbach and to the parents, staff, and volunteers.

Get Involved, Get Information! Contact Judy Hollenbach, Paxinosa PTA President, at 215-264-7843 for more info.

Children's Literacy Program **READING ROOM**

Visit the Reading Room 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.

FREE continental breakfast every third Saturday!

Watch for details about the 3rd Annual BIRTHDAY BASH in June!!

EASTON AREA COMMUNITY CENTER, 901 Washington Street, Easton

For additional information, contact us at 610-250-6562 copsnkidseaston@gmail.com

WWNP is offering scholarships to the Nurture Nature Urban Garden Workshops!

You can go to all of the classes or pick and choose. Simply call Nurture Nature at 610-253-4432 and let them know what classes you are registering for and that you would like to have a WWNP scholarship. It's that simple!

Each workshop will include a project that participants will be able to take home. There will be one workshop per month from March through October. There will be a \$15 fee and registration is required.

To register or for more information, please contact Kate Brandesat at 610-253-4432 or kbrandes@nurturenature.org.



Head Start/Early Head Start



FREE! High quality preschool education and early childhood development, serving prenatal to age 5.

GRATIS! Alta calidad de educación pre-escolar y desarrollo escolar temprano, sirviendo prenatal hasta la edad 5.

Information Needed To Apply

Proof of Birth · Proof of Income Proof of Lehigh Valley Residency · Health Records

Información Necesaria Para Aplicar

Prueba de nacimiento · Prueba de ingreso Prueba de residencia en Lehigh Valley de Lehigh · Registros de Salud

Apply Today! *Aplica Hoy!* 610-437-6000 Ext. 2354

CHECK OUT EASTON POLICE ON FACEBOOK!!

<https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Easton-Police-Department/286960484791686>

Easton Farmers' Market

Saturdays 9am-1pm from May 3rd—November 22nd
Centre Square

www.EastonFarmersMarket.com

CHECK OUT the NEW Easton Public Market

325 Northampton Street, Easton
www.eastonpublicmarket.com

ALL markets feature fresh, locally grown and made products.

Live at Riverside

(first Friday of the month at Riverside Park, 7:30-9:30pm)

5/2 - EAHS Jazz Band, 6/6 - James Supra Blues Band (Kayla Avitabile opening), 7/11 - A Few Good Men (School of rock Bank Street Band opening at 7pm), 8/1- Joyous, 9/5 - Slicked Up 9's

Live in the Square

(last Friday of the month in Centre Square, 7:30-9:30pm)

5/30 - Ultra Kings, 6/27 - Trouble City All Stars, 7/25 - Stinking Badges, 8/29 - Quimby Mountain Band, 9/26 - Madam Freak

Tunes at Noon

(Fridays Noon-1pm in Centre Square, May and June)

5/2 - June Thomas, 5/9 - The Roux, 5/16 - Carter Lansing, 5/23 - High Street, 5/30 - Steve McDaniel, 6/6 - Erin McClelland, 6/13 - Scott Harrington, 6/20 - Karen & Amy Jones, 6/27 - Leah Fuls

CLASSIC CAR CRUISE NIGHTS

(Northampton Street Downtown Easton)

Music provided by DJ Jimmy K and dancing in the circle
Saturdays 5/24, 6/21, 7/19, 8/16 6-9pm

Call Jim Kelly for more information at 610-390-0723.

WALK FOR FAMILY CONNECTION OF EASTON!

Registration is now OPEN!

Join us on Saturday, May 31st for a fun-filled morning in the Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community! This year, our goal is to raise \$10,000 for Family Connection! Highmark underwrites the cost of this family-friendly 5K walk so that 100% of the money raised goes directly to our programs and services! We ask that participants raise or donate a minimum of \$35. So grab your spouse, your co-workers, your friends and form a team today!

For more information, please contact Executive Director Carolyn Serva at servac@eastonsd.org or 610-250-2551 x24075.

Can't make it on the 31st? Register as a Virtual Walker or simply make a donation towards the goal on our Walk page. You'll have the chance to win some great prizes too! We can't do it without you!

WHEN

Saturday, May 31, 2014 9am

WHERE

SteelStacks Campus, Bethlehem

Family Connection of Easton, Inc. 723 Coal Street Easton, PA 18042

Dance Plus, Inc.



42 South 3rd St. 2nd Floor Easton
(484)619-0532

Get 3 weeks of boot camp at just \$100!!!

Call or email danceplusinc@yahoo.com
for more info.

Now taking registrations for the New Year!!!

18 months-Senior Citizen

Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Gymnastics, Toddler, Dance Fitness, Yoga, and more!!

www.danceplusinc.com or follow us on Facebook!



School of Creative Arts

Location: 120 S. 12th St. Easton (Rose of Sharon Church building, corner of 12th & Spruce Sts.)

Student Enrollment Openings For Preschool & Kindergarten

Building academic skills through a Biblically-centered arts-integrated curriculum

(Registered with the PA Dept. of Education as a private, non-licensed K-12th grades school)

Small Teacher to Student Ratio

(Classes held at 120 S. 12th St., corner of 12th & Spruce Sts.)

For more information or to enroll please call: Donna Ruggiero 610-217-8396



What's Happening in May at the Easton Area Community Center?

EACC Summer Day Camp Registration has begun! Our 8 week Camp is for kids K-8th grade and begins on 6/23/14. Fee is \$25/ week, with a \$15 registration fee for new (summer) members. Space is limited, so register early! Nutritious breakfast, lunch and snack each day through the Summer Food Service Program / PA Department of Education!

Lehigh Valley Breastfeeding Moms Group meets at EACC on the second and 4th Tuesday of each month, weather permitting, from 10:30am -11:30am, in the Cops n Kid's Reading Room. Please contact Liz Chang at 08chang@gmail.com or call 610-997-7918 for more information!

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

Call 610-253-8271, or email saints1@ptd.net

"Like" us on Facebook! Website: www.eastonareacc.org



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 or 610-217-8396

WWATS is a fundraising effort of West Ward Academy
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 .75 per lb.

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

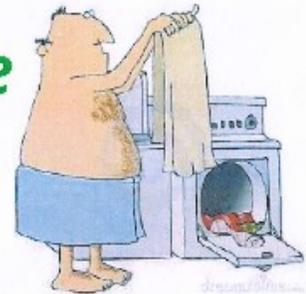
Pickup & Delivery Service is \$1.25 per lb. (Phillipsburg)

Call to Schedule Services.

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

Open 7 Days a Week 7AM-9PM

Last Wash at 8PM



We would like to invite you to our
“Annual Child Care Art Show”



which will be taking place on **Thursday, May 22, 2014**. The theme this year will be “Somewhere Over The Rainbow”. This will take place at the **Easton YMCA 1225 W. Lafayette Street in the gymnasium from 7:00 – 8:30 pm**. Please take time to mark your calendars to come and enjoy an art show that you have never seen before! Our infants, toddlers, preschoolers through School Age have been working very diligently over the past year and this Art Show will certainly be one you won't want to miss!

Please contact Brenda Pickard at 610-250-7193 or brendapickard@greatervalleyymca.org with any questions.

West Ward Neighborhood Partnership Adaptive Modifications Program

The program is designed to help homeowners to stay in their homes longer and more safely. The program will consist of an in-home walk through to help discover areas that may be improved to make your home safer and more accessible for you. This may be as simple as rearranging the furniture to provide a better pathway but the initial walk through may turn up some areas of simple improvements. These may include installation of some safety items such as grab bars, handrails, lever faucets and door handles, strobe smoke detectors, flush thresholds, etc. We will not be able to take on any larger projects due to our funding restraints.

Contact Lynne Holden, Project Coordinator, at 610.515.0891 or lholden@caclv.org for more information.

Do you need help?

There are many community based services out there to assist you & your family!

Come & find out about them!

Have you experienced a recent life changing event such as:

Unemployment • Loss of income • Death of a spouse

Divorce or separation • Change in your health

Or are you looking for a way to help others?

Join us at our...



Wednesday May 14, 2014 11am - 3pm

First United Church of Christ of Easton, 27 North 3rd Street, Easton, PA

In cooperation with St. John's Lutheran Church, Trinity Episcopal Church, Agape Christian Center, First Presbyterian Church and Northampton County.

More than 20 local community service agencies will have representatives available to answer your questions and guide you to the help you need or to a place where you can help others.

Easton Hospital will provide FREE health screenings too!

dentistry
from the heart

Hosted by: *Fabey Dental*

Event Date: May 31, 2014

“You make a living by what you earn, You make a life by what you give.”

Choice of a **FILLING, EXTRACTION OR CLEANING** will be provided for those 18 years and older who do not have **dental insurance and can't afford dental care elsewhere.**

ARRIVE EARLY- REGISTRATION STARTS AT 7:00AM. Patients will be seen on a First-Come, First-Served basis.

First 60 patients are Guaranteed to be seen!

For more information please see our website Fabey-dentalstudios.com

2690 Kingston Road, Easton, PA 18045

Event hours 7:00am to 5:00pm

Patients are encouraged to arrive early and dress appropriately for the weather, to bring chairs, blankets, water, snacks, etc. as they may be outside waiting to be seen.

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
Shanthy 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

Easton Weed & Seed

Meeting/Program Schedule & Contact Information

Meetings Open to the Public PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED!

For more info. contact: Laura Accetta, Site Coordinator at laccetta@easton-pa.gov
Or Dawn Cannon, Program Coordinator at weedandseed@easton-pa.gov or call the office at 610-438-2680.

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, Contact Laura Savenelli for meeting times and dates.

Easton Blockwatch - We are ALWAYS looking for new members! Contact Heather Sutcliffe via email heatherp484@hotmail.com for more information. Contact: Lt. J. Remaley at 610-250-6752 or jremaley@easton-pa.gov.

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 want to volunteer please contact Mike Hollenbach at mhollenbach.bridge@gmail.com or call 215-264-7532 for more information.



THE EASTON ECCENTRIC

All about everything in Easton, all the time! Eastoneccentric.blogspot.com
We've got a mobile version too...read us on your smartphone.
Got news? Visit the site and click "email us"

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

LOCAL FOOD BANKS

Salvation Army, 1110 Northampton St, 610-258-9531
St. Vincent de Paul, 841 Washington St, 610-253-0814
St. Pauls Lutheran, 610 W Berwick St, 610-258-2612
ProJeCt of Easton, Inc., 330 Ferry St, 610-258-4361
Holy Temple of Easton, 824 Ferry Street, 610-250-9460
Easton Area Neighborhood Center, Inc., 902 Philadelphia Rd, Southside residents only 610-253-4253
Greater Shiloh, 201 Brother Thomas Bright St., 610-252-5640
Safe Harbor, (SOUP KITCHEN), 536 Bushkill Dr., 610-258-5540

For a more complete list you can also go to www.shfbv.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

IMPORTANT NUMBERS:

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

- *American Disability Act (ADA): 1-800-514-0301
- *Birth/Death Certificates - certified or non-certified contact Division of Vital Records, Phone: (724)-656-3100 or www.portal.health.state.pa.us
- *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 to report 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
- *Northampton County Jail: **Lobby:** 610-923-4300 **Chaplain:** 610-923-4329 **Volunteer Coordinator:** 610-923-4449 **West Easton Treatment Center:** 610-923-1212
- *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



This Memorial Day take a moment to remember ALL the Servicemen and women who have and still are serving and protecting our country ~ especially those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.



MEALS ON WHEELS of Northampton County, Inc.
4240 Fritch Drive, Bethlehem
610-691-1030
www.mealsonwheelspa.org

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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 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!!