

HUMANE SOCIETY AGREEMENT FOR 2011

The Borough of Paxtang has entered into a contract with The Humane Society of Harrisburg Area, Inc. to accept domestic dogs from the Borough surrendered by uniformed police officers; however, this agreement does not include services for owned dogs or any cats. The Borough encourages interested residents to participate in the PAWS-sponsored Trap- Neuter- Return program for cats.

HAVE YOU SEEN FREE-ROAMING CATS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD?

The Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program is the only proven and effective management to decrease the population of feral and free-roaming (stray) cats. Partner with your neighbors and volunteer to be part of the Borough TNR team to maximize efforts to humanely reduce the number of free-roaming cats in Paxtang Borough. This can be a rewarding and educational experience and a great way to give back to your community. PAWS holds monthly TNR clinics at the Swatara Township Public Safety Building. Appointments are FREE and each cat is spayed or neutered, vaccinated against rabies and distemper, receives treatment for parasites and an antibiotic injection and is eartipped, which identifies a sterilized and vaccinated cat. Paws will loan traps to Paxtang Borough residents and PAWS volunteers will mentor residents in all aspects of TNR including trapping and colony management.

Ways To Help:

- Volunteer to trap, transport and/or provide post-operative care for cats
- Volunteer at PAWS TNR clinics
- Volunteer to collect supplies or donate-
- Durable black garbage bags
- Paper towels
- Dry and canned cat food
- Clay litter
- Kitten Milk Replacement (KMR)

For more information on TNR, or schedule an appointment, contact:

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spayneuter@pawsofpa.org
 717-957-8122 box #3



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July

- 4 PARADE
- 19 Council Meeting

August

- 1 Historical Society Picnic
- 2 National Night Out
- 16 Council Meeting
- 27 Community Wide Yard Sale

September

- 20 Council Meeting
- 26 Council Workshop

Borough Officials Contact List

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PAXTANG POST 2011

July, August &
September 2011

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On the back of this issue of "The Post", you will see advertisers who graciously paid to put their ad there. Some for just one time, others for the whole year.

We are grateful to them. Whatever they paid, is saving your tax dollars to put this paper in your home.

If you can in any way utilize their products or services, please do so. It is their pride in Paxtang that led them to support us with an ad.

Beginning mid December we again will be seeking ads for the next year.

Prices will remain; 1 issue \$40
1 year (4 issues) \$140.



Independence Day Parade - Monday July 4 at 10 am

Come out and celebrate our country's birthday at the first annual Independence Day Parade! The parade starts at 10 am and will travel on Derry Street, Wilhelm Road, Montour Street and Paxtang Avenue. You can enter the parade at www.paxtang.com or just pull up a chair and watch it go by. If you live along the parade route, decorate your house - you could win a prize! Invite your friends! After the parade, there will be light refreshments and a reading of the Declaration of Independence in the parking lot behind the municipal building. If you have questions or need more information, please email the parade committee at paxtangparade@gmail.com.

If Harrisburg has fireworks for their 4th of July weekend festivities at Riverfront Park, we would encourage Paxtang Borough residents to meet as the sun goes down at Saussaman Park. No need to fight the crowds or find parking downtown, just join your neighbors for an evening of free entertainment. A local casual gathering where the park after dusk rules would be waived for the evening so Paxtang Residents can bring their families with blankets, snacks and non-alcoholic beverages to enjoy watching the fireworks in the city.



Notes from the Shade Tree Commission

PAXTANG'S ARBOR DAY

The national Arbor Day Foundation has promoted the creation and maintenance of urban forests throughout the United States for more than 40 years. Its Tree City USA program "provides direction, technical assistance, public awareness and attention, and national recognition for urban and community programs in towns and cities" across the nation. Paxtang Borough began participating in this program in the late 1980s.

For the 22nd consecutive year, Paxtang Borough was named a Tree City USA (for 2010) during the Arbor Day ceremony on the morning of April 29, 2011. Paxtang has celebrated Arbor Day in various ways over the years. This year, as in last year, the Paxtang Elementary School Fifth Grade participated in the program that took place in front of the school on Rutherford Street.

The ceremony began with welcoming comments by the school Principal, Robert Stewart, followed with remarks by Darlene Kvaternik, a member of Paxtang's Shade Tree Commission. The Pledge to Allegiance to the flag was led by student Davon Baldwin. Former Commission chairperson Jan Chaplick discussed the role of the Shade Tree Commission in keeping Paxtang's urban forest a viable and attractive aspect of the borough.

Several of the Fifth Grade students read poems about trees. The entire fifth grade then read a choral poem about trees, entitled "Rappin' About Trees."

Andrew Duncan, Forester for the Department on Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR), presented to Paxtang Mayor Keldeen Stambaugh, on behalf of the Arbor Day Foundation, the Tree City USA for 2010 award. Mayor Stambaugh read Paxtang's official Arbor Day Proclamation, ably assisted by student Chris Mehretab.

The final part of the celebration was the recognition of the posters the students had prepared in anticipation of this day, under the guidance of their teachers. Within the theme "Paxtang Proud—Tree City USA," 25 students had submitted posters, from which three had been selected to receive meritorious gift certificates.

A number of people helped to make this celebration a success. First, Commission member Darlene Kvaternik planned and organized the ceremony;

Secondly, the Fifth Grade teachers, Alison Myer and Kyle Shrodder, and Principal Robert Stewart, arranged the readings and participation of the students. Central Dauphin Votech sophomore, Justine Kompare made a poster and the accompanying invitations. Darlene Kvaternik provided the poster contest prizes and Arbor Day participation awards. Our thanks also to Andrew Duncan of DCNR, Mayor Keldeen Stambaugh, and the Paxtang Borough staff for their participation and assistance.

PAXTANG'S ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION, 2010

Whereas, Paxtang Borough has valued its trees since it was incorporated as a borough, and,
 Whereas, trees lower our heating and cooling costs and moderate temperatures because Trees are Terrific and Energy Wise and,
 Whereas, trees can clean the air, produce oxygen, provide habitat for wildlife, and reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water,
 Whereas, trees in Paxtang Borough enhance property values and the economic vitality of the business area and beautify our community, and
 Whereas, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal,

Now, therefore, I, Keldeen Stambaugh, Mayor of Paxtang Borough, do proclaim today, April 29, 2011, as Arbor Day in Paxtang.
 Further, I urge all resident to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees, to care for them and to support the planting of new trees to gladden our hearts and promote our well being for this and future generations.
 Dated this 29th day of April in the year 2011.

Mayor Keldeen Stambaugh (signed)

VOLUNTEERS TO THE SHADE TREE COMMISSION

Paxtang's Shade Tree Commission has three members, who have perpetuation of our urban forest (the trees between the sidewalks and curbs) very much in mind. The activities they engage in include the selection and planting of new trees, monitoring the forest to ensure continued good health of the trees, and the removal of trees that are nearing their end of life, or have become so damaged or diseased to warrant removal. To this end, we visit at least once each year every tree in the borough to ascertain its general health

and appearance.

The three commission members do not have the experience or equipment to trim and remove the larger trees in the borough—for this the borough hires a professional tree service. However, what the member, and volunteers, can do is ground-level pruning. This involves only that part of a tree that can be reached on foot—no ladders or climbing in the trees. This maintenance is particularly effective for the smaller trees, those that have been planted in the past two to ten years. It is important to prune trees at this young age, in order to ensure their good shape as they become larger. We, and whoever else wants to participate, do this in the spring and fall, before and after the major growth season. This pruning eliminates crossing branches, thins dense limb growth, and raises the trees (removal of the lowest branches to facilitate walking on sidewalks, mowing of lawns, and parking of vehicles by the curb).

If you think you may want to participate, now is just the time to act. The Commission is arranging for a forester from the Department of Natural Resources to visit the borough for a day in the latter part of July (or early August). The forester will provide training in tree identification (yes, there are a few unknown trees planted many years ago) and in ground-level pruning for the Commission members and anyone else who may be interested. So, if you like trees and want to participate in maintaining our urban forest, here is the opportunity to get involved. Call the Borough office at 564-4770 (Monday through Friday, between the hours of 10:00 am and 4:00 pm) and tell Faye Clarke that you are interested in joining the Shade Tree activities. We will certainly get back in touch with you.

FIREWOOD AVAILABILITY

For those of us who have fireplaces in our houses, you may have wondered what happens to the wood in the trees that are removed from Paxtang's urban forest. Currently, the wood is carried away by the tree service to their yard. The Shade Tree Commission asked itself why couldn't this wood made available to Paxtang residents as a source of firewood? The Commission decided there was no reason for not making it available, and has instituted a program to accomplish just that.

The Commission will maintain a list of residents who are interested in obtaining firewood from removed trees. Any resident can add their name to this list by calling the Borough Office at 564-4770 Monday through Friday, between the hours of 10:00 am and 4:00 pm. Each resident will be notified (by e-mail or phone) prior to the removal of the tree as to the location, tree species, and probable day of removal. If a resident desires to obtain wood from that tree, they can call the Borough Office, and the Commission will arrange with the tree service to set aside the amount of wood desired.

The tree service will cut the wood to a given length (usually about 16") and leave it at the site of the removed tree. The wood will be green, and thus require drying for a year to become suitable for burning. The person(s) desiring the wood must pick up the wood within one day, using their own means. If the wood is not removed in a timely fashion, the resident's access to firewood in the future will be jeopardized. The Borough imposes these same conditions on the professional tree service.

This program is new for the Shade Tree Commission and the Borough. Anyone with a fireplace is encouraged to consider participating. The above procedures were decided upon to facilitate making firewood available. Modification may be necessary, but all persons involved will be notified of any changes.

Rodger T. Faill, Chairman
Paxtang Shade Tree Commission



SAFE HANDLING OF CHICKS AND DUCKLINGS

At present, CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) and other agencies are investigating a multi-state outbreak of Salmonella associated with contact with chicks and ducklings. These animals are cute and cuddly, but can be dangerous to your health.

Here is some advice can you follow:

Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water after touching live poultry or their environment. Adults should supervise hand washing of small children.

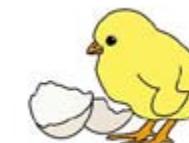
If soap and water isn't available, use a hand sanitizer until you are able to wash with soap and water. You can find containers of hand sanitizer clothes most anywhere – especially grocery stores and drug stores.

Do not allow small children (less than 5 years old), elderly persons, or people with weak immune systems handle or touch chicks, ducklings, or other live poultry.

Do not snuggle or kiss live poultry.

Do not eat or drink around live poultry.

It may seem strange to see this problem now rather than at Easter. However, there are petting zoos, etc. that have these types of poultry and you may find them while on vacation, at a fair, or almost anywhere.



Stay safe and well.
Suzanne Yeager, RN
Local Health Officer

IMPORTANT TAX INFORMATION

The 2011 Real Estate Tax Bills for Central Dauphin School District will be mailed around July 1st. Any new home owners since May 15th should call me, so that I can get a copy of the bill to you as soon as possible. The school district did not raise the tax rate. The discount period ends on August 31st. Please check my hours on your bill. Call first if you need to come at another time.

NEW ITEM

By July 1st I will be able to offer credit card payments for your taxes. A convenience fee will be attached to your bill amount by MUNICIPAY, a division of Nationwide Payment Solutions. You must come to my office to use the credit card. Call if you have any questions.

RENTAL OWNERS

Please call me or the borough office within 30 days of any change in tenants. This information is needed for the school district records.

Helen Koser, Tax Collector
717-564-6747



National Night Out 28th Anniversary

Tuesday
August 2, 2011
6:00 P.M.



During National Night Out August 2, 2011, many neighborhoods will be hosting special activities such as yard parties, block parties, cookouts, etc. National Night Out gives people a chance to heighten crime prevention awareness, bring neighbors closer together, and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighbors across the U.S.A. are organized and fighting back.

Organize a special activity for your neighborhood. Officers from the Paxtang Police Department and the Paxtang Fire Company will stop by and visit as many events as possible. Let's get involved and join others across the country in letting criminals know they are not welcome in our community. Start planning your block parties now with your neighborhood.

NOTE: If you are planning to host a Block Party please notify the Paxtang Borough Office so we can locate you.

If your block would like the street barricaded (barricades placed at the ends of the street) notify the Paxtang Borough Office before July 14th as Paxtang Borough Council will have to approve street blocking at the July 19th Council Meeting. Paxtang Borough Office (717) 564-4770

Murv Grunden
Paxtang Borough Crime Watch



Program Schedule for 2011
Mark your Calendars
Members and Non Members Welcome

August 01, 2011 Monday (6:00 P.M. Rain or Shine)

The Paxtang Historical Society will hold a Picnic/Meeting at Saussaman Park Pavilion (North of the Paxton Presbyterian Church, Paxtang Avenue and Simpson Street)

All are welcome, you do not have to be a member to come and enjoy the evening. The Paxtang Historical Society will provide Sandwiches, Condiments, Drinks, Plates, Cups, Plastic Ware (Spoons, Forks and Knives), please, if possible bring a covered dish of your favorite recipe for others to taste.

NOTE: We are requesting that those that have memories or stories of Old Paxtang please write them down and bring them along to share with others. We are planning to collect as many as we can for a 100th Year Celebration Booklet in 2014.

Please call Shirley or Murv Grunden before the 27th of July if you plan to attend and let them know what type of food you are planning to bring so we have a close count for the event. Call (717) 561-2620 after 6:00 PM; leave a message if no one is at home. Or E-mail us at murvg@aol.com Subject: PHS Picnic.

October 03, 2011 Monday 7:00 P.M.

The Paxtang Historical Society will hold its Annual Meeting at the Paxton Presbyterian Church. David Biser will speak on John Harris Jr.

December Tour (Date & Time will be announced)

Christmas at Fort Hunter, Tour of the Mansion that will be decorated for the season. Free to PHS Members, more to follow.



The Swatara Paxtang Softball Association
T-Softball team - The Bone Crushers -
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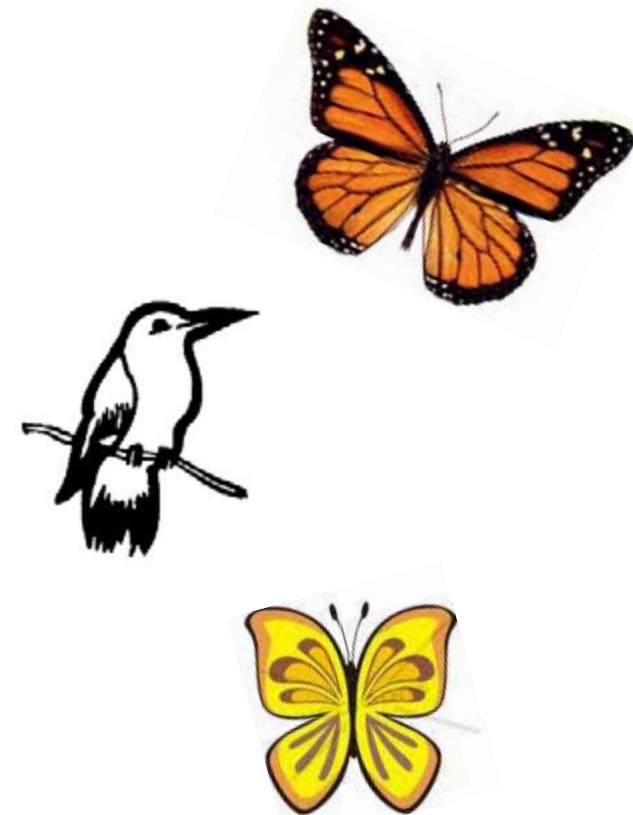
LMPWC's annual fundraiser is its annual luncheon and fashion show which was held in April at the Best Western Central Hotel and Conference Center. The luncheon committee shown left to right included: Bonnie Snodgrass, Tina Wood, Margaret Hayes, Rosemarie Kleinsak, Lynn Kipp, Linda Flowers and Donna Frye.



LMPWC outing at Hershey Gardens. In attendance from left to right: Dori Vargo, Bonnie Snodgrass, Harriet Metzler, Shirley Covert, Janet Lackey, Linda Flowers, Ginny Butina and Margaret Hayes.



LMPWC May program speaker on Backyard Birds and Butterflies was Mr. Terry Neumyer. Shown in the photo is Program co-chair Alice Taylor with Terry Neumyer.



Lenker Manor - Paxtang Women's Club meets September through May at the Paxton Presbyterian Church on Progress Avenue on the second Wednesday of each month beginning at 10 am with a brunch, business meeting and program of interest. We invite area women to contact our membership chair at 564-0355 for more information. We are beginning our 45th year and would love to have you attend a meeting and see what our club is all about!