

MIDDLE PAXTON DIGEST

2018 SPRING—SUMMER NEWSLETTER

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2018



Borough of Dauphin

WELCOME AND FAREWELL

As the new year begins, please help us welcome new Middle Paxton Township Supervisor, Mike Sudia. Mike and his wife Tracey reside in Stoney Creek Manor. ***Welcome!***

As we excitedly say hello and welcome the new Supervisor, we say a fond farewell to Supervisor Richard 'Dick' Pepper. Dick has served as Supervisor of Middle Paxton Township for the past 36 years serving the community and residents. It has been a great pleasure working with someone who is dedicated to his beliefs and has been a wonderful mentor.

Many thanks for your countless contributions to Middle Paxton Township!

Dick was honored at a event on December 21, 2017 by several dignitaries including, Dauphin County Commissioner Jeff Haste, who read a Proclamation proclaiming December 21, 2017 as Richard Pepper day in Dauphin County.



Photo above L to R - Supervisor Jim Fisher, Supervisor Jeff Smith, Great Granddaughter Jordan Megonnell, Supervisor Dick Pepper, Township Manager Julie Seeds, Chuck Erdman (Representing Senator John DiSanto), and Dauphin County Commissioner Jeff Haste. Photo credits by Steve Wisegarver

Township Manager

Julie Ann Seeds

Road Master

Robert Hofer

Emergency Management

Coordinator

Robert Rusbatch

Zoning Officer

Matt Sauers

**Sewage Enforcement
Officer**

Brian McFeaters

**Dauphin Recreation
Association**

Deb Fedor

President

Linda Klutas

Secretary

Susan Kenyon

Treasurer

**Dauphin-Middle Paxton
Joint Public Safety**

Authority

Matt Smith

Chairman

Don Harner

Vice Chairman

Jim Fisher

Secretary

Bob Klutas

Treasurer

Mike Kurtz

Member at Large

**2018 BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS**

Meets the 1st Monday at 7:00 P.M.

Jeffery Smith

Chairman

Michael Sudia

Vice Chairman

Wilbur Evans

Treasurer

James Fisher

Assistant Secretary

Lawrence Cooney

Planning Commission

Meets the 2nd Monday at 7:00 P.M.

Liz Rodda

Jeffrey Smith

William Kotkiewicz

Donald Morse

Chip Brown

Gary Deimler

Ralph Stone

Zoning Hearing Board

*Meets the 2nd Thursday at 7:00 P.M.,
as needed*

James Allen

Sebastian Detres

Debra Eshelman

Sandy Reightler

**The public is cordially invited to
attend. All of the above meet-
ings are held in the
Board Meeting Room
10 Elizabeth Avenue
Dauphin**

**Dauphin Athletic
Association**

Matt Scott

President

Tim Wenrich

Vice President

John Lucas

Secretary

Dan Flickinger

Treasurer

Steve Burns

Member at Large

Steve Harris

Member at Large

Mitch Rissinger

Member at Large

Chris Barnes

Baseball Coordinator

Jason Kieffer

Softball Coordinator

Bryan Strahan

Soccer Coordinator

**Dauphin-Middle Paxton
Joint Park Authority**

Tim Wenrich

President

Nichole Staley O'Gorman

Vice President

Ron Hull

Secretary

Brian Cuddy

Treasurer

Larry Cooney

Shannon Scott

Jason Kramer

FROM THE ROADMASTER

PLEASE NOTE! 2018 ROAD PROJECTS

STREET SWEEPING

The sweeping of Township Roads and intersections will take place the week of April 23rd-27th, weather pending. Please use precaution and adhere to posted signs while traveling through the Township during this time frame.



2018 ROAD MAINTENANCE



There will be maintenance performed on several Township roads this year that includes, tar and chipping, which is an approved method of maintenance by PennDOT. Please watch for signs, and flaggers and **please slow down!** We will try to put out on Social Media as far in advance as we can to make the public aware of when road maintenance will occur and on what road so you can plan your travels accordingly.

Township Roads and Right of Ways

Please do not blow or throw leaves, grass or snow back onto road surfaces. This can potentially cause an accident and is unlawful. In addition, do not throw leaves, tree and brush trimmings etc., in drainage swales. This leads to clogging storm drains and potentially flooding of roads. Those caught placing debris in these areas will be asked to remove the items.

It's easy to prevent the grass clippings from flying into the street while cutting grass: cut so that the discharge chute is aimed back at the yard. Brilliant, yes? Don't want the clippings in your yard? Rake them up. See how this works?

Also, if you are having work performed at your house including lawn maintenance, you or your contractor are not permitted to place any equipment, dumpsters, porta pots, trailers, and construction materials on Township Roads or right of ways. *The Township Roads are not for your use to place items!*



DO NOT MOW GRASS ONTO ROADS!

Township Website

The Township website is your “go to” place for information regarding your community. You can review the Zoning Ordinance, the Stormwater Ordinance and the Subdivision & Land Development Ordinance as well as the Zoning map. Also housed there are various meeting minutes and applications and forms. Check it out!

www.middlepaxtontwp.org

Important Non-emergency Contact Numbers

- State Police (717) 671-7500
- DMP Fire Company (717) 921-8242
- Dauphin County Controlled Burn (717) 558-6900
- Dauphin County Recycling Center (717) 982-6772
- CAT Share a Ride (717) 232-6100
- UPMC Pinnacle Community Life Team (717) 782-4699

Dead Animals on Roadways

Please contact one of the following numbers to report a dead animal on a roadway. The animal must be on the roadway, not off to the side.

State Road (717) 787-5391

(Rte. 225, Rte. 325 & Rte.443)

Township Road—Bear (610) 926-3136

Township Road—Deer (610) 926-1966

Remember to Vote!

Primary Election Day is Tuesday, **May 15, 2018**.
Do you know your voting precinct?

**1st Precinct—Middle Paxton Township
Municipal Building, 10 Elizabeth Ave.**

**2nd Precinct—Fishing Creek Community
Center, 1361 Fishing Creek Valley Rd.**

**3rd Precinct—Hope United Presbyterian
Church, 931 Red Hill Rd.**

Reflective Address Markers



Reflective address markers are the best way to ensure that emergency service providers can reach you in the event of an emergency. These markers can be ordered at the Township

office. They are \$10 a piece. They are available in either blue or green and can be made horizontally or vertically.

If we can't find you, we can't help you!

Township Tax Collector

Tanya Pomeroy is the Township Tax Collector. Contact her for office hours or to schedule an appointment at (717) 921-8737. Payments can be dropped off curbside at 1140

Victor Lane,
Dauphin.



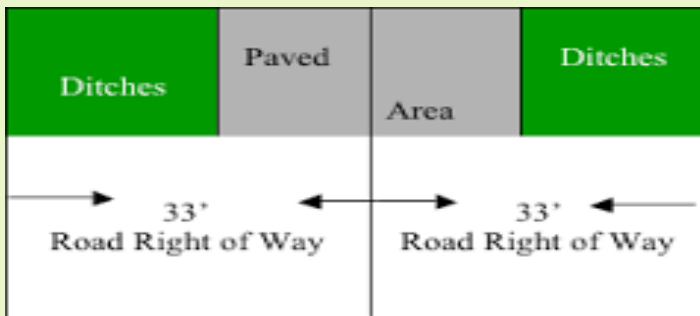
License Your Dog in PA

All dogs three months or older must be licensed by Jan. 1 of each year. Violators can be cited with a maximum fine of \$300 per violation plus court costs. An annual license is \$8.50 and a lifetime license is \$51.50. If the animal is spayed or neutered, the annual fee is \$6.50 and lifetime is \$31.50. Discounts are available to older adults and people with disabilities. The small license fee helps the millions of dogs in the state by funding the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement. Dog licenses are available from your local county treasurer and other licensing agents. For more information go to www.licenseyourdogpa.com

FROM THE DESK OF THE ROADMASTER

TOWNSHIP RIGHT OF WAYS

Township Roads do not stop at the paved area; there are additional right of ways on both sides of the road. See image below. The right of way width varies; some roads may have a 33' right of way while others a 40' or even a 50' right of way. The right of ways are not areas to place items such as basketball hoops, boat or car trailers, recreation vehicles, wood piles, mulch piles, etc. This area is to remain open for road maintenance. Letters will be sent to all residents who have objects in the right of ways for removal. This is especially critical during the winter season. Plow drivers should not have to worry about dodging items while plowing at 2:00 AM during a snow storm. You may be responsible if any Township equipment is damaged from hitting any object while maintaining the roads.



FROM THE DESK OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR



South Central **ALERT**



South Central Alert is a free emergency notification system that will notify you of emergency incidents or imminent threats to

your health and safety and other important alerts and community information. **South Central Alert** allows you to register up to five (5) locations in this region that are important to you (home, school, work.) You may also select and prioritize the methods used to contact you and the types of alerts you receive. To receive alerts register online at www.sctfpa.org. You may also complete a paper registration form which is available from your county emergency management office.

PUBLIC MEETING

MIDDLE PAXTON TOWNSHIP & DAUPHIN BOROUGH RESIDENTS

AN EVENING WITH YOUR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

APRIL 19, 2018 @ 7PM

MIDDLE PAXTON TOWNSHIP

BOARD MEETING ROOM

10 ELIZABETH AVE

**Come out and find out what the EMC (Emergency Management Coordinator) does in the community.
Learn how you can help.**

FROM THE DESK OF THE ZONING OFFICER



To all the Township residents and business owners who have contacted the Township Office to inquire about whether or not a permit is required for a project – **THANK YOU!** It is better to know this information beforehand than to be in violation and have to remove a structure or sign.

Most projects require a permit - building, zoning or both. This includes, but is not limited to sheds, decks, fences, additions and pools, whether it is built on-site or brought to the property on a truck.

Are you thinking about starting a business or purchasing a property to start a business? **Permits and approvals are required for businesses.** Please contact the Zoning Officer to discuss the process and procedures. Not all businesses are permitted in every Zoning District within the Township.

If you are thinking of that spring project, we look forward to working with you on your property improvement! Please do not hesitate to call Matt Sauers (717) 921-8128 ext. 107 with any questions.

Zoning Office hours are Mondays and Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Permit applications are available at the Township Building or on-line at www.middlepaxtontwp.org

REMEMBER!

Please call PA One Call before you dig.



FROM THE DESK OF THE CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER



A process is in place to address residents' concerns about ordinance violations. A complaint form must be completed, signed and submitted to the Township office in order for the Codes Official to review and address the complaint. **Anonymous complaints will not be addressed.** Once a written complaint is received, reviewed and deemed warranted, a letter is sent to the offending property owner(s) along with a copy of the applicable ordinance(s.) Names of complainants are not released.

The complaint form can be obtained at the Township office or from the Township website. If after repeated notices, the situation persists, a Notice of Violation may be issued and possible fines imposed. If a civil complaint is filed at the Magisterial District Justice's office, a complainant may be asked to testify. Please contact the Township office (717) 921-8128 ext. 108 with questions.

If your concern is of an urgent nature, please ask to speak to the Township Manager.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Effective October 1, 2017 the Township entered into a new contract for regular pick up and disposal of municipal waste and pick up of recyclable materials within the Township by **Waste Management**. This contract was advertised publicly for bid and the only interested response received was from **Waste Management**. Given the area size of our Township, several other companies reviewed the bid specifics but did not submit a bid. All township residents should have received notice of the new collection rates from Waste Management along with the specifics of that agreement. The Township office will continue to sell individual trash tags at a new cost of **\$5.30 per tag**. We also sell 18 gallon recycling containers for **\$10**.



Allowable recyclables for collection are:

- ♦ Aluminum cans – food & beverage consisting of aluminum, excluding aluminum foil, trays, and plates.
- ♦ Bimetal cans – food & beverage containers consisting of a steel cylinder and an aluminum top & bottom
- ♦ Glass – bottles, jars or other containers made of clear, colored glass. This includes all food & beverage containers made of glass. Excluded are light bulbs and window or plate glass.
- ♦ Newsprint – Paper commonly having printed news or other matter of public interest.
- ♦ Magazines – glossy publications, advertisements and inset of newspapers.
- ♦ High Grade Office Paper – bond, copier, letterhead, or mimeograph paper.
- ♦ Plastics – food, beverage & detergent containers comprised of the following resins: #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6, and #7.
- ♦ Steel Cans – food & beverage containers consisting of steel.
- ♦ Corrugated Paper – cardboard boxes & packaging.
- ♦ Paperboard – containers of dry food such as cereal.

2018 Brush Site

Located behind the Public Works Building at 50 Elizabeth Ave.

The **2018 brush site** will open **March 10, 2018** through **November 17, 2018**. The cost of an annual permit is **\$50.00**. A one day pass is available for **\$10.00**. A valid photo ID with current address is required when applying for a permit.

This site is for **brush trimmings and tree trimmings only! No leaves, bamboo, grass clippings, or ornamental grasses or cut up trees are permitted**. Violators will be asked to remove any items dumped that are not permitted. **No commercial companies** (landscapers) are permitted to utilize the brush site; this is for Middle Paxton Township resident use only.

The site will be opened **Tuesdays & Thursdays - 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM** and **Saturdays 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM**. Please have your permit handy at all times as there will be random checks this year. These times are subject to change. If you have any questions, please call the Township Office at 717-921-8128 Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

Thank you for your cooperation!



Borough of Dauphin

Council Meetings are held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the Borough Building.

Borough of Dauphin

200 Church Street
P.O. Box 487
Dauphin, PA 17018

Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Phone: (717) 921-2633

Fax: (717) 921-8106

Email

dauphinboro@comcast.net

Website

www.dauphinborough.org

Borough Council

John Reichard, Jr.—President

John Windish—Vice President

David Grbich—Council Pro-tem

Donald Harner—Councilman

David Koppenhaver—Councilman

Joseph Wynn—Councilman

Sally Wynn—Councilwoman

Michael McKenna—Mayor

Trudy Koppenhaver—Secretary

Tracy Klinger—Treasurer

Virginia Wynn—Tax Collector

Vacant positions are open on the following Boards in the Borough:

- Rental Board
- Vacancy Board
- Zoning Hearing Board

If you would like to volunteer to serve on one of the above boards, please submit a resume to the Borough Office. Please call the Borough Office (717) 921-2633 for further information on the vacancies.

**FOR HIGHWAY AND SNOW EMERGENCIES
AND WATER LEAK PROBLEMS, PLEASE
CONTACT JOSEPH WYNN (717) 678-1454**

**FOR GRINDER PUMP EMERGENCIES,
PLEASE CALL
(717) 421-1228**

Please view the Borough webpage for minutes of Council Meetings, Code of Ordinances and the 2018 Borough Budget.



Borough of Dauphin

THANKS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

More than 250 guests attended the annual **Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony** on Friday, December 1, 2017. This event continues to grow due in large part to the tremendous community participation.

Special thanks to the following: Dauphin Borough Road Crew, Middle Paxton Lions Club, Cub Scout Pack 233 and Boy Scout Troop 233, Dauphin/Middle Paxton Ecumenical Choir, Mr. John Madas & the CD Singers and Chanson; Mrs. Laura Achey & the Middle Paxton Elementary School Band; Mrs. Jennie Ellis & the Middle Paxton Elementary School Choir, Mayor Terry Searight, Reverend Allison Spooner, Dauphin-Middle Paxton Home Association, Borough Council and all the private donations. Thank you everyone!

We are building the fund to purchase commercial light displays for the 9 light poles on the islands through town. The cost for the display, hardware and new lighted garland will be approximately \$400 per pole. The existing light displays are in poor working order as well as more lights are needed for our ever growing Christmas tree. If you are able to contribute a monetary donation or assist in fundraising efforts, there is an account set up under the name **Dauphin Borough Holiday Fund** and donations can be mailed or dropped off at the Borough building or to Mid Penn Bank. A donation acknowledgement for tax purposes upon request is available.

Thank you for your consideration.

Cheryl Cuddy, Committee Chair

Dauphin-Middle Paxton Historical Society

Monthly Meetings - 4th Thursday during the months of January-June and September and October at the old school in Dauphin. The Museum, Library and Gift Shop open to the public at 6pm, the meeting begins at 7pm. Our speakers are always fun and interesting and the **public is welcome!**



Please add these dates to your calendar!

- **March 22**—Society Meeting-Speaker Barry Ryan-“History of Private Investigative Field”
- **April 26** - Society Meeting-Speakers Walter & Margie Cook-“Eleanor Roosevelt”
- **May 19** - **ARMED FORCES DAY CEREMONY**-11:00AM-In the square-Picnic at the Pavilion to follow.
- **May 24** - Society Meeting-Speaker Lloyd Hart-Rolls Royce Foundation (bringing vehicle)
- **June 2** - **FLEA MARKET/BAKE SALE** at the Old School
- **June 28** - Society Meeting to be held at The Peter Allen House w/the Pintos
- **September 27** – Society Meeting-Speaker Craig Henninger-“The Lykens’ Valley Massacre”
- **October 20** - **HERITAGE DAY 2018** 8AM-4PM
- **October 25** – Society Meeting-Speaker from Dauphin County Parks & Recreation
- **January 24, 2019**—Society Meeting-Annual Show & Tell



The 6th Annual Heritage Day Photography Contest is underway! Get your cameras out and explore Dauphin-Middle Paxton from your camera’s lens! Rules and entry form can be found on the website at <http://www.dauphin-middlepaxtonhs.weebly.com>.

Membership - Individual or Gift Memberships—**\$15.00**, Couple Memberships - **\$25.00**. Checks can be made payable to: **Dauphin-Middle Paxton Historical Society**, PO Box 532, Dauphin, PA 17018.

To contact the society please email dmphist@verizon.net. For more information on the Society our website is <http://www.dauphin-middlepaxtonhs.weebly.com>. We can also be found on Facebook as **Dauphin-Middle Paxton Historical Society!**

Community Bulletin Board

NOW HIRING!

POOL MANAGER POSITION

The Dauphin Pool is hiring a responsible person to manage lifeguards, employee schedules, daily bank deposits, water testing and routine pool maintenance, snack shop supervision and various other duties as required. The Pool is also hiring **Lifeguards** and Office Staff.

Applications are on the Dauphin Recreation Association website (www.dauphinpool.org), or you can contact President Deb Fedor at president@dauphinpool.org

CONTACTS FOR THE POOL

info@dauphinpool.org or
Linda Klutas (717) 921-8660 (lkutas@gmail.com)

DAUPHIN AREA SENIOR TRANSIT

Dauphin Area Senior Transit (D.A.S.T.) provides transportation for residents of Dauphin Borough and Middle Paxton Township who are 55 or older. Rides are provided to various appointments and destinations with medical appointments taking priority. You **MUST** call the Township office at least **24 hours** in advance of the day you need a ride. The van hours of operation are 8:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.
If you are interested in volunteering to be a driver or want to become a new rider, please contact Rue Megonnell, **D.A.S.T.** coordinator, at (717) 921-2727.

Meals on Wheels

A well-balanced, hot meal is available for senior citizens in Dauphin Borough and Middle Paxton Township by calling Walter Moyer, Coordinator at (717) 921-8010. Meals are delivered five days a week by volunteers. Voluntary contributions toward the cost of the meals according to their financial ability.

THE DAUPHIN SWIM TEAM SEASON

Are you looking for a way to keep your kids healthy and active this summer?
Join the Dauphin Dolphins Swim Team.
Please visit our website at www.swimdauphin.org or come visit us at our registration tables.

Dauphin Area Community Blood Drives

Zion Lutheran Church

405 Swatara Street, Dauphin

Wednesday, March 28, 2018
Wednesday, April 25, 2018
Wednesday, May 23, 2-2018
Wednesday, June 27, 2018
Wednesday, July 25, 2018
Wednesday, August 22, 2018
Wednesday, September 26, 2018

All blood drives 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm



MIDDLE PAXTON LIONS CLUB

- ◆ Saturday March 17th—Nut Roast and Sale
Orders due by March 8th.
- ◆ Saturday March 24th—Community Easter Egg Hunt at the large pavilion at 1 PM
- ◆ Tuesday July 10th thru Saturday July 14th—**57th Annual Carnival**—Music, rides & games
- ◆ Saturday October 20th—Halloween Parade

For more information,
contact Brian Cuddy (717) 921-2822 or
Wilbur Evans (717) 921-8174

Strong Women, Growing Stronger

Penn State Extension of Dauphin County sponsors a strength training and nutrition program called **Strong Women, Growing Stronger™** in Middle Paxton Township at Dauphin County Agriculture and Natural Resources Building, 1451 Peters Mountain Road, Dauphin, PA 17018.

Classes are held each Monday, Wednesday and Friday for 6 weeks from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM.

Registration fee is \$45.

For more information about the Strong Women program, call the Penn State Extension office at 717-921-8803 or visit <http://dauphin.extension.psu.edu>.

Caitlin's Smiles Annual Indoor Yard Sale
April 6 & 7

Caitlin's Smiles annual indoor yard sale is again being hosted by Zion Lutheran Church on the corners of Allegheny and Swatara Streets in Dauphin. It will be held on **April 6 and 7** from 7 am to 2 pm. There will also be a bake sale, and breakfast/lunch counter. Breakfast sandwiches, hot dogs, BBQ, drinks and soups - eat in or take out will be served. For advance soup orders, call 717-599-5444 by March 28. Yard sale donations may be dropped off at Zion beginning April 3, 4 & 5 from 9 - noon, 1 - 4 & 6 - 8 pm. Please call **Caitlin's Smiles** at 717-412-4759 with questions.

St. Matthew Parish**Lenten Fish Dinners**

St. Matthew Parish is having three fish dinners during the season of Lent. Please join us on:

Friday, March 9th 4:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M.

Friday March 23rd 4:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M.

50/50 tickets are available. Dinners will be in the Parish Activity Center, 607 Stoney Creek Drive. Menu includes baked haddock, pierogis, and home-made crab cakes. A children's dinner will also be available. Desserts will be offered a la carte. Take out is available. All proceeds after expenses benefit **St. Matthew the Apostle & Evangelist Catholic Church**.

HOPE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
931 Red Hill Road, Dauphin**Easter Eggs**

\$11 a dozen

Varieties available: peanut butter, butter cream & coconut cream in milk chocolate or dark chocolate. Special orders taken for personalized eggs.

1/4 lb. (\$4.00) and 1/2 lb. (\$8.00)

Order by calling the church at 717) 921-2253 or (717) 921-2023.

Deadline for orders is March 25th

May 15, 2018

Primary Election Day Soup, Food and Bake Sale

7 A.M. until sold out

Eat in or take out; soups, sandwiches and baked goods. Quarts of soup are available for purchase.

Fishing Creek Valley Community Association

1361 Fishing Creek Valley Road, Harrisburg

Easter Egg Hunt/Chicken Corn Soup - Saturday, **March 24, 2018 promptly** at 11 AM. (Make sure to bring a container for soup). Hot dogs, hot sausages and baked goods will also be available for purchase.

Fall Fest/Chicken Corn Soup Sale - Saturday, **October 27, 2018** at 11:00 AM. (Make sure to bring a container for soup).

Breakfast With Santa - Saturday, **December 1, 2018**, 8 AM - 12 Noon. (You must register for this event).

Call Natalie Bailor at (717) 599-5698 if interested in volunteering or if you would like to make a donation.

DMP DASH 5K

**Sunday, April 22, 2018
9:00 AM**

Registration begins at 7:30 AM
**Dauphin Middle Paxton Community Park
Dauphin, PA**

Bring the whole family!
1/3-mile Kids Fun Run
following the race.

Prizes for:

Top 3 Overall Male & Female
Top Male/Female in each age category

Entries:

\$25 on or before April 1st
\$30 after April 1st & on race day
Kids Fun Run FREE

Complete details and race application at:

www.dmpraces.org

For inquiries contact Kim Heck at

bkatpheck@gmail.com

or Maggie Wonsick at

maggiewonsick@comcast.net

**Tech-shirts for all 5k participants registered by
April 1st**

(while supplies last after early entry deadline)

**Race proceeds will benefit Middle Paxton
Township parks, pool & athletics.**

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

-FREE Community Pancake Dinner February 21, 5:30-6:45.

-Hogmaw Dinner -Saturday, March 10, noon-6pm (or until sold out). Tickets are \$9/person and take out is available.

-International Justice Mission (IJM) is an organization that works to combat the exploitation of those most vulnerable in our world. A representative from IJM will be giving a presentation for anyone who is interested in learning more. This presentation will be on **April 4** at 7pm .

-Ham & Meatloaf Dinner - Saturday, April 14, noon-6pm (or until sold out). Tickets are \$9/person and take out is available.

-Do you know of a volunteer in our community who goes above and beyond in service to their neighbor? Consider nominating them for the **Ray Dively Volunteer Award.**

Call the church office for a nomination form at 717-921-8111. Recipient of the award will be named during Zion's 10:15 worship service on Volunteer Sunday, **April 22**.

-Kid's Summer Camp will be back this year on Wednesday's: **June 27, July 11 & 25, August 8**, 10am-12pm. This year we will spend some time learning about various topics that may include: cooking, fishing, bee keeping, and crafting.

Any questions regarding activities at **Zion Lutheran**, please contact our church office at 717.921.8111.

**DAUPHIN-MIDDLE PAXTON
FIRE CO. #1**

Easter Flower Sale—March 29, 30, & 31
Locations are 3B Ice Cream and
Fort Hunter

BE ON THE LOOK OUT for information
about the annual **Open House** in
September 2018!

**PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL
VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY!**

**TRINITY E.C. CHURCH of FISHING CREEK VALLEY**
1629 Fishing Creek Valley Road, Harrisburg**Yard Sale**

Saturday, May 18, 2018
8 AM to 2 PM

Hot dogs, soups, drinks and baked goods will also be available.

Contact Natalie Bailor (717) 599-5698 if interested in a participating in the yard sale NO later than May 12th.

(Rain date, June 2, 2018)



JOIN THE DAUPHIN POOL – 2018

POOL SEASON begins June 2nd & 3rd and then daily June 8 through August 26. The pool is not open by Memorial Day or through Labor Day Weekend because we employ high school/college age youth as lifeguards through the summer and they are unavailable those weekends.

MEMBERSHIP is open to **everyone**. Fees this year: **\$120/individual, \$220/family** if paid by **May 15, 2018**. Applications can be found on our website www.dauphinpool.org, by contacting Linda Klutas or using the pool "mailbox" on the fence next to the pool building. Instructions are on the application form.

PHASE 2 FUNDRAISING for an estimated \$250,000 (replacement of water lines, the gutter system, water returns around the pool, and becoming ADA compliant) is now underway. **Please help us to reach our goal!** The Pool Board would like to thank Dave Lutz, who worked tirelessly over the last several years to keep the pool going. Dave and his wife moved out of state to be with their family. The board is going to miss him greatly.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS. *The Dauphin Recreation Association is a small group of volunteers trying to keep the Pool afloat for future generations in the Dauphin-Middle Paxton Community.* If you are interested in volunteering for grounds maintenance (grass cutting, weeding, cleaning, etc.), please contact info@dauphinpool.org.

The **DAUPHIN PIZZA COUPON** is still available. Support the Dauphin Pool by buying a coupon certificate for \$20.00 for *Dauphin Pizza*. The pool keeps \$5.00 of each certificate sold. Call Linda Klutas at 717-921-8660, or email lkutas@gmail.com or info@dauphinpool.org for a certificate.

CONTACTS FOR THE POOL

info@dauphinpool.org or

Linda Klutas (717) 921-8660 (lkutas@gmail.com)

FIX THE CATS!



No more litters! No more excuses! We can help! We can provide transportation from Middle Paxton Township to the spay clinic and back. Kittens over 12 weeks of age can be fixed. Pregnant cats can be fixed. Nursing cats can be fixed. They will return to nursing the kittens. Tom cats with injuries can be fixed. Cats will receive vaccinations including rabies. We can provide traps for capturing wild and shy cats.

Please call today! (717) 921-2117. Leave a message!

PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PET!



The parks in **Dauphin Borough** and **Middle Paxton Township** are for everyone's enjoyment. **Please extend proper pet etiquette and clean up after your pets!** The Township has an Ordinance in place that addresses this issue. If you are caught not cleaning up after your pet, you could be subject to a fine.

Please be a respectful and responsible pet owner!

Guidelines for Display of the Flag



Public Law 94-344, known as the Federal Flag Code, contains rules for handling and displaying the U.S. flag. While the federal code contains no penalties for misusing the flag, states have their own flag codes and may impose penalties. The language of the federal code makes clear that the flag is a living symbol. In response to a Supreme Court decision which held that a state law prohibiting flag burning was unconstitutional,

Congress enacted the Flag Protection Act in 1989. It provides that anyone who knowingly desecrates the flag may be fined and/or imprisoned for up to one year. However, this law was challenged by the Supreme Court in a 1990 decision that the Flag Protection Act violates the First Amendment free speech protections.

Important Things to Remember

Traditional guidelines call for displaying the flag in public only from sunrise to sunset. However, the flag may be displayed at all times if it's illuminated during darkness. The flag should not be subject to weather damage, so it should not be displayed during rain, snow and wind storms unless it is an all-weather flag. It should be displayed often, but especially on national and state holidays and special occasions. The flag should be displayed on or near the main building of public institutions, schools during school days, and polling places on election days. It should be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously.

- When carried in procession with other flags the U.S. flag should be either on the marching right (the flag's right) or to the front and center of the flag line.
- When displayed on a float in a parade, the flag should be hung from a staff or suspended so it falls free. It should not be draped over a vehicle.
- When displayed with another flag against a wall from crossed staffs, the U.S. flag should be on its own right (left to a person facing the wall) and its staff should be in front of the other flag's staff.
- In a group of flags displayed from staffs, the U.S. flag should be at the center and the highest point.
- When the U.S. flag is displayed other than from a staff, it should be displayed flat, or suspended so that its folds fall free. When displayed over a street, place the union so it faces north or east, depending upon the direction of the street.
- When the U.S. flag is displayed from as projecting from a building, the union of the flag should be placed at the peak of the staff unless the flag is at half-staff. When suspended from a rope extending from the building on a pole, the flag should be hoisted out, union first from the building.
- When flags of states, cities or organizations are flown on the same staff, the U.S. flag must be at the top (except during church services conducted at sea by Navy chaplains)

The flag should never be draped or drawn back in folds. Draped red, white and blue bunting should be used for decoration, with the blue at the top and red at the bottom. The flag may be flown at half-staff to honor a newly deceased federal or state government official by order of the president or the governor, respectively. On Memorial Day, the flag should be displayed at half-staff until noon.

Other Things Not to Do with the Flag

Out of respect for the U.S. flag, never:

- dip it for any person or thing, even though state flags, regimental colors and other flags may be dipped as a mark of honor.
- display it with the union down, except as a signal of distress.
- let the flag touch anything beneath it: ground, floor, water, merchandise.
- carry it horizontally, but always aloft.
- fasten or display it in a way that will permit it to be damaged or soiled.
- place anything on the flag, including letters, insignia, or designs of any kind.

- use it for holding anything.
- use it as wearing apparel, bedding or drapery. It should not be used on a costume or athletic uniform. However, a flag patch may be attached to the uniform of patriotic organizations, military personnel, police officers and firefighters.
- use the flag for advertising or promotion purposes or print it on paper napkins, boxes or anything else intended for temporary use and discard.

During the hoisting or lowering of the flag or when it passes in parade or review, Americans should stand at attention facing the flag and place their right hand over the heart. Uniformed military members render the military salute. Men not in uniform should remove any headdress and hold it with their right hand at their left shoulder, the hand resting over the heart. Those who are not U.S. citizens should stand at attention. When the flag is worn out or otherwise no longer a fitting emblem for display, it should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning. Uniformed military members render the military salute. Men not in uniform should remove any headdress and hold it with their right hand at their left shoulder, the hand resting over the heart. Those who are not U.S. citizens should stand at attention. When the flag is worn out or otherwise no longer a fitting emblem for display, it should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning or by taking it to a local Legion or VFW for disposal.

CLARKS CREEK WATERSHED PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION

15th Adopt-a-Highway Trash Pickup Slated for Saturday, May 5

The **Clarks Creek Watershed Preservation Association's** 15th Adopt-a-Highway Volunteer Trash Pickup day for its two-mile stretch of Route 325/Clarks Valley Road, part of the Great American Clean-up of Pennsylvania as well as being sponsored by Penn DOT, is scheduled for:

Saturday, May 5, 2018 (rain date: May 19) 9 am - Noon
Assemble at FLEMISH DOWN: 1231 Clarks Valley Road, Dauphin

At 9 am, Mary Hochendoner will lead an orientation, safety drill and distribution of gloves, tools and trash bags. The pick-up session then lasts until noon, after which CCWPA will have a pizza party picnic to thank the volunteers!

To sign up for this session, please visit the CCWPA Web site at ccwpa.org or its Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/CCWPA/>.

2018 Clarks Creek Watershed Preservation Association Annual Meeting Slated for Tuesday, September 25

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2018
 7:00 pm start • 6:30 pm Social Hour
 Dauphin County Agricultural & Natural Resources Center
 1451 Peters Mountain Road, Dauphin

For a detailed article on the meeting and all CCWPA Activities, or for information on joining the CCWPA, please visit the CCWPA Web site at ccwpa.org.



PHOTO CAPTION: CCWPA trash pick-up volunteers on October 21, 2017 included (left to right): Karen Stilp, Mark Embeck, Arlene Taylor, Paula Zankel (President of CCWPA), Mary Hochendoner (holding sign), Mike Blum, Annette Blum, Sherry McLain. Not in the photo but part of the pick-up: William Coleman, Tom Ruback and Barbara Wilhelm.



The Library has programming for everyone! For more information or to register for any of these programs, call (717) 566-0949 ext. 1204. To see a full listing of Library events, visit dcls.org/events.

Libraries Rock, but only because YOU are rock star readers. Be a summer reading rock star and help us meet our **community goal of 2 million minutes read.** Sign up for Summer Reading Club beginning **June 1** at dcls.org!

Saturday, April 14 at 12:00 – 2:00 pm

Elizabethville Area Library, 80 N. Market St, Elizabethville, PA 17023

Participate in or judge our **National Library Week Edible Books Contest!** Sign up to create an edible version of your favorite book. Attendees will judge the confections.

Tuesday, April 17 – Saturday, April 21 (Hours Vary)

Salem United Church of Christ, 143 W. Main St, Elizabethville, PA 17023

New and gently used books, CDs and other items will be on sale at the **Friends of Elizabethville Library Spring Book Sale.** For more information, call (717) 362-9825.

Thursdays, April 19 and May 17 at 6:00 – 8:30 pm

Elizabethville Area Library, 80 N. Market St, Elizabethville, PA 17023

At **Thursday Theater... and more!**, we'll watch a film and enjoy post-viewing conversation. Snacks provided.

Tuesday, April 24 at 6:30 – 7:30 pm

Elizabethville Area Library, 80 N. Market St, Elizabethville, PA 17023

Improve your **Smartphone Photography** and find out how to edit, print, store, and share your work. Lively Minds Workshops are made possible by the Carole DeSoto Endowment with support by the Friends of Elizabethville Library and benefactor Jane C. Esterline. Registration required.

Thursday, April 26 at 6:30 – 7:30 pm

Elizabethville Area Library, 80 N. Market St, Elizabethville, PA 17023

Learn about **Repairing Your Credit** from a financial professional. They'll explain what your credit score means and how to repair and raise your score.

Thursday, May 3 at 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Johnson Memorial Library, 799 E. Center St, Millersburg, PA 17061

Make **Tea Cup Candles** inside a vintage teacup as a delightful gift for your tea-loving friends or family.

Monday, May 7 at 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Northern Dauphin Library, 683 Main St, Lykens, PA 17048

During **Creativity: Exercise Your Mind**, we'll do quick, fun activities to train our brains to be more creative.



Looking for adventure? Want to learn new skills and responsibility while having fun?

Then the Boy Scouts want you!



If you're between the ages of 11 and 17, come and join our local **Boy Scout Troop 233** for fun-filled outdoor activities, sports, academics, camping, hiking and so much more!

"Scouts learn the best part of success is the journey!"

This past season, our scouts have helped out our local community, parks and churches as well as our commitment to the road cleanup along Clarks Valley Road. We've gone to Winter Camp, trekked a few 10 mile hikes, had overnight backpacking trips and are now getting ready for Summer Camp in June. All of this while learning to become responsible and self-confident young men and having fun in the process! Some of the places we have gone recently include: Kinzua Bridge State Park, Rickett's Glen, Raystown Lake, and numerous other fun places.

We are looking forward to another new adventurous season this spring and summer! The boys will be able to pursue their own individual interests as well as troop activities such as kayaking, learning life-saving skills, environmental science, work towards a trip to the **BSA Florida Sea Base**, summer camp and lots, lots more! Our troop also is looking forward to our fundraising activities such as the Chicken BBQ, Spaghetti Dinner, and sub sales. Activities like this help the scouts go on these awesome adventures.

Our meetings are held each **Wednesday** evening from **6:30 to 8:00** at Hope Church (931 Red Hill Road) in Dauphin from September through June. We're also looking for parent volunteers that would like to help out or become part of our troop's committee!

If you would like to join our troop, find out more information or are in need of community service to be provided by our scouts, please send an email to DauphinTroop233@gmail.com or visit our Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100009372471852>.

Scoutmaster: Tony Weiss, Assistant Scout Master: Ryan Jorich and Steve Reinhart; Committee Chair-
man: Janee King; Charter Organization Rep: Michael Young, Treasurer: Michelle Nagy; Secretary: Cindy
Reardon; Advancement Chairperson: Jenna Shickley; Committee Members: Amy Young, Mary Toland,
Liz Wilson, Warren King

2018 ELECTION DATES

May 15, 2018—Municipal Primary Election

November 6, 2018—General Election



Middle Paxton Township Election Locations

- * 1st Precinct—Municipal Building—10 Elizabeth Avenue
- * 2nd Precinct—Fishing Creek Community Center—1361 Fishing Creek Valley Road
- * 3rd Precinct—Hope United Presbyterian Church—931 Red Hill Road

RENTALS

Fishing Creek Community Center is available for renting. It is a great place to hold a baby or bridal shower, birthday party, or graduation party. The **Community Center** is handicap accessible, offers a full kitchen, tables and chairs. Also available for use is a tennis court, a basketball court and a play area. Additional improvements are scheduled to be completed this year, including air conditioning, a new ADA accessible ramp, and security cameras. **Hagy Park** pavilion is also available for renting. Please call the Township Office at (717) 921-8128 to obtain a list of the rental fees or to reserve your desired date. Both venues are very popular and dates fill up quickly.

HAGY PARK - WALKING/FITNESS TRAIL

The walking/fitness trail at **Hagy Park** is near completion. A ribbon cutting ceremony will be scheduled upon completion.

PLEASE NOTE: The paved walking/fitness trail is for walkers and runners only. **No motorized vehicles, bicycles, skate boards, or scooters are permitted on the walking/fitness trail.** The trail is for children and adults of all abilities and is also ADA Handicap Accessible. Violators will be asked to leave the park.

All dogs are to be leashed while at the park and owners are **expected** to pick up after their pets. **Be aware,** there are cameras at the Park and additional cameras may be installed to help prosecute violators who continue to vandalize the fields and buildings as well as not picking up after pets. If you see suspicious activity at any of the Township parks, please do not hesitate to call the State Police, and follow up with the Township Manager at (717) 921-8128 or (717) 943-5131.

The parks in the Township are for the enjoyment of all residents and making sure they remain available for our use for many years to come, we must all be vigilant.

DAUPHIN-MIDDLE PAXTON JOINT PARK AUTHORITY

Spring is just around the corner, and so is our next baseball and softball season. **Thank you** to the **Dauphin Baseball and Softball Associations**, and all of their **volunteers**, who work so hard to make the fields beautiful and ready for play. Much of the work done to maintain our park is performed by volunteers, and supplies and materials are often donated by local businesses. We would be unable to keep it in the beautiful state that you see without this generosity. If you are interested in volunteering your time or making a financial contribution to defray the cost of park projects, please contact Nichole O'Gorman at (717) 921-2212 or nogorman@staleyogormanlaw.com. Monetary donations can be mailed to us at PO Box 521, Dauphin. **Your help is greatly appreciated.**

Stay tuned for exciting changes on the horizon at **Kennedy Field**. Thanks to a **Dauphin County Local Share Gaming Grant**, the grandstand will be completely renovated and ready for use for the 2018 season. Many thanks to our County Commissioners **Jeff Haste, Mike Pries** and **George Hartwick**, for their generous support of this project. Thanks are also due to the organizers of the **DMP Dash** who have contributed proceeds from their annual event for grandstand repairs. And certainly not least, thanks to the **Township Supervisors** for their support of our grant application.

As you make plans for summer picnics, parties, family reunions and other gatherings, consider renting one of the park's pavilions. **Rental fees** are just \$50 for the large pavilion and \$25 for the small pavilion. Your rental includes use of the park ball fields, a handicapped accessible playground, and basketball and volleyball courts. Summer weekend dates are filling up fast! If interested in reserving a date, please contact Brian Cuddy at (717) 418-3211 or dauphincuddys@comcast.net.

Dauphin-Middle Paxton Joint Park Authority Board meetings are open to the public. All are welcome to attend. Meetings occur on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m., January through October. The May meeting will occur on May 21st due to the holiday. May through August, meetings are held at the large pavilion at the park. All other meetings are held at the Dauphin Borough building.

Have a safe and enjoyable spring and summer!



Events Scheduled for Children and Seniors

By State Rep. Sue Helm (R-Dauphin/Lebanon)

The focus is always on family fun at our annual Children's Trout Rodeo in Dauphin. I will once again partner with the Dauphin County Anglers and Conservationist Club to host this free event on Saturday, May 19, 2018, at the club's trout nursery. It's a great way to introduce youngsters to the joy of fishing.

The trout rodeo is open to children 12 years of age and younger. Registration gets underway at 7 a.m. The fishing will take place from 9 a.m. to noon with prizes to be awarded at the conclusion of the event. Those participating are reminded to bring their own fishing gear and equipment. The trout nursery is located at 201 Clarks Valley Road in Dauphin.

In my continuing effort to keep older residents informed about programs and services that improve the quality of their lives, I will be hosting two senior citizens expos in the fall. The first expo will take place on Friday, September 7, 2018, at the Giant Food Store in Susquehanna Township. The second event is scheduled for Thursday, October 4, 2018, at the Halifax Area Ambulance and Rescue Association building. The doors open at 10 a.m. for both events.

Our senior expos feature dozens of exhibitors from non-profit agencies; local, state and federal governments; and local businesses that will provide information on benefits and services available to older Pennsylvanians on a wide range of topics, including health care, insurance, nutrition and exercise, fire safety, financial planning, fraud protection, government, hunting and fishing, and personal safety.

In closing, you are reminded that we have two district offices that provide a variety of state-related services. One office is located at 2090 Linglestown Road in Susquehanna Township, and the phone number is (717) 651-0100. The other office is located 260 Market St. in Millersburg. The phone number there is (717) 692-0833.

Remember, my staff and I are here to serve you and we look forward to doing so.

NEW DIRECTOR NEEDED

FOR MEALS ON WHEELS



After many years of dedication, Walter Moyer is looking to resign as Director of Meals on Wheels for Dauphin and Middle Paxton Township. Many residents depend on this important service and so we are hoping someone volunteers to fill this position. If you or someone you know is interested in filling this vital role, please contact Walt at 717-921-8010.

State Senator John DiSanto (R-Dauphin/Perry)

Master Gardeners Wanted

Penn State Extension Dauphin County is now accepting applications for the next Master Gardener Training Program. An informational session will be held on Wednesday, May, 9, 2018, from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., at the Dauphin County Agriculture and Natural Resources Center, 1451 Peters Mountain Road, Dauphin, PA 17018.



The Master Gardener Program is a volunteer training program designed to provide home gardeners with the knowledge and skills necessary to share their experience and information with others. In exchange for instruction, candidates agree to complete 50 hours of volunteer service to Penn State Extension's Consumer Horticulture and Urban Gardening Programs. The program is looking for volunteers who will make a commitment to answer lawn, landscape, and garden questions at the extension office and provide educational presentations to organizations and the public.

Applications are being accepted now through Wednesday, June 6, 2018. To be eligible, individuals need only to want to be a volunteer and have a genuine interest in gardening, and want to share their knowledge with others.

Participants will attend classes each Wednesday from Noon – 3:00 p.m., August 15 through December 12, 2018 with the first half at the Penn State Extension Cumberland County Office and the second half at the Dauphin County Office. Topics to be studied include: soils, plant science, insects, diseases, integrated pest management, lawn care, plant propagation, fruits, vegetables, and ornamentals.

For additional information or to receive an application packet, please call the Penn State Extension Dauphin County Office at (717) 921-8803 and ask for Anne Hawk or Linda Kulp between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or visit the website at <http://extension.psu.edu/plants/master-gardener/counties/dauphin/about>.

The Power of 1%: Saving Pennies Can Add up to More Retirement Income

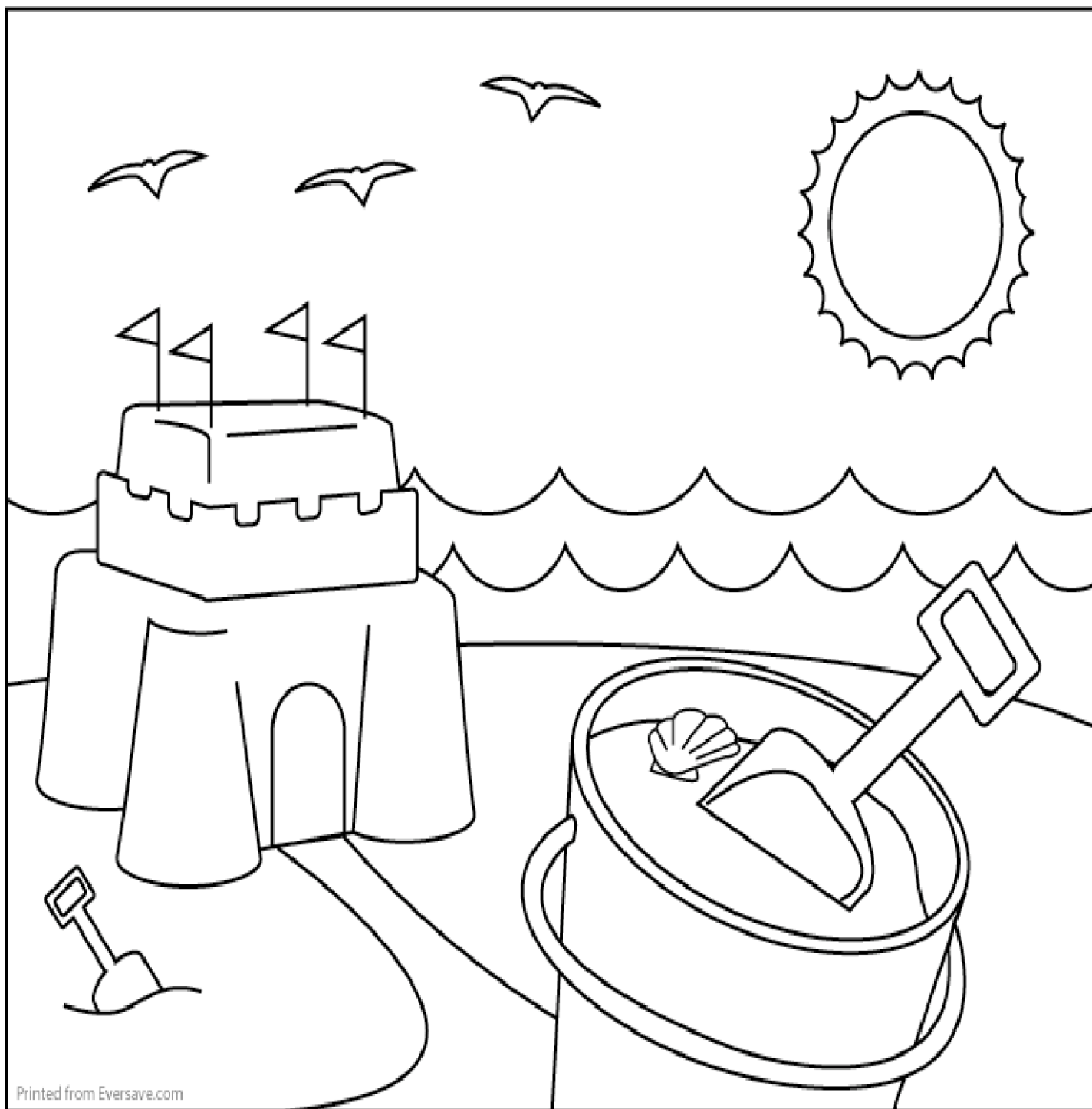
How much can a penny buy you these days? You may be able to find a gumball machine that will still take your penny in exchange for a small treat, but your options are limited. If you'd like to put your pocket change to good use, why not consider saving an extra penny from every dollar (a.k.a. 1%) for your retirement? By contributing an extra 1% of your salary each pay period to your retirement account, you could see a big impact on your future retirement income.

How big of a difference can a 1% increase make? Consider this example: With an annual salary of \$50,000, saving just 1% more from each paycheck could add up to an extra \$41,967 after 30 years (assuming a 6% rate of return).

How does this happen? It's all due to the power of tax-deferred, compounded growth. With a 401k or IRA plan, any earnings that your contributions generate are reinvested in your chosen investment options—where they can generate additional growth of their own.

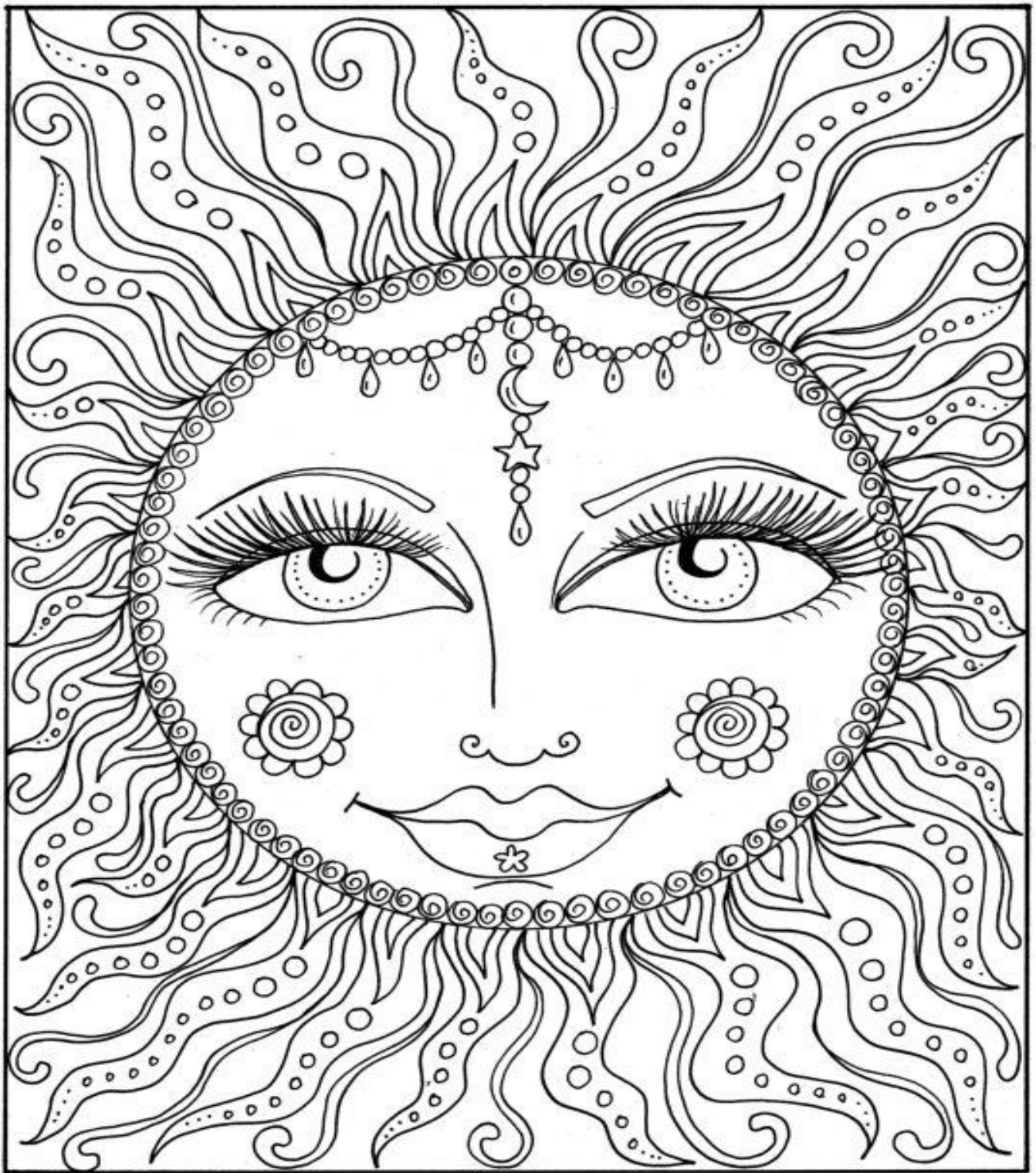
The more you increase your contributions, the greater the potential impact on your future retirement income. In other words, you aren't limited to a 1% increase. Imagine the power of adding an additional 2, 3, or 4% to your contribution.

CHILDRENS COLORING PAGE



SUMMER FUN IN THE SAND

COLORING PAGE FOR ALL AGES





Middle Paxton Township is seeking applications for a full time **Road Maintenance Worker**. This is a general maintenance position responsible for maintenance activities on Township owned streets and properties, including the operation of small and large trucks, and the operation of various small, and large equipment. *If you are interested and would like a copy of a complete Job Description, please contact the Township Office at (717) 921-8128 between the hours of 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM Monday through Friday to pick up a job description for your review or request a copy to be emailed.*



Middle Paxton Township is seeking applications for a part time seasonal Lawn Maintenance position to maintain the Township's Parks, Municipal and Public Works property. This is a seasonal position from April to October, weather pending. Must have experience with lawn maintenance equipment and Zero Turn mowers. For an application, please contact the Township Office at (717) 921-8128 between the hours of 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM. Monday through Friday.



The Township has Committees, Boards and Commissions and welcomes all residents who wish to be considered for appointment for future vacancies. These are volunteer positions and require dedicated attendance and participation.

Interested candidates should send a letter of interest addressed to the Township Manager by email at middlepaxtontwp@comcast.net, or regular mail at Middle Paxton Township, P.O. Box 277, Dauphin.

A heartfelt thank you to all the Volunteers who are currently serving and have served in the past. Your volunteerism is invaluable and very much appreciated.

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For additional details, please call the Township Manager at (717) 921-8128, or email your questions to **middlepaxtontwp@comcast.net**.

Please note the Township's website is **www.middlepaxtontwp.org**