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Keeping Hampton Beautiful

The annual Hampton Community clean-up day was very well attended this year, with 110 volunteers showing up to help keep Hampton beautiful. The large group began work early on a cold April morning and collected 650 bags of garbage, 2 tires, and some miscellaneous items.

There has been an organized litter clean-up day since 2016 (2020 was missed because of the pandemic). Last year, there

was a record number of 135 volunteers and in prior years the average was 40-50 participants. Many Hampton residents volunteered and this year the Daisy Troup #16720 and the Hampton High School boys lacrosse team showed up to make a big impact. Twenty-eight lacrosse team members as well as varsity head coach Andy DeMichiei volunteered for the event. Lacrosse booster president, Erik Hoolahan came up with the idea for the team to

participate this year. Coach DeMichiei said, "I'm not sure they were thrilled to wake up at 7am on a Saturday, but once they got there and saw the impact of how much trash they actually picked up, they were all for helping out!" He added, "I was very happy about our boys' attitude towards serving our community. On top of coaching lacrosse, a large part of my job as head coach is teaching these boys how to

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Your Opinion Counts

by Heather Cuyler

How do we make Hampton Township's community park, programs, trails and open space even better? We want to hear from you!

Inspired by the recent adoption of its Implementable Comprehensive Plan, Hampton Township is undertaking an update to its Comprehensive Recreation, Parks, and Open Space Plan.

The plan will be a powerful tool that will provide direction to enhance the

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Memorial Remembrance

The Hampton community is invited to attend a remembrance service hosted by American Legion Post 296 on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30 at 10 am. The Veteran's Memorial is located outside the Hampton Community Center. The Hampton high school band and scouts participate in this annual event. All are invited to bring fresh cut flowers from your yard to lay at the memorial in honor of the deceased veterans and those that gave the ultimate sacrifice. The event will take place rain or shine. If you have any questions, please contact Hal English at 412-486-1923.



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A summary of noteworthy incidents that occurred are listed below. These incident statistics included, but WERE NOT LIMITED TO, the following between the dates of 3/7/2022—4/4/2022:

Traffic Accident



On March 9, 2022 at 8:10a.m., Hampton Township police were dispatched to the area of Woodland Road near Harts Run Road for a report of a disabled vehicle stuck due to icy road conditions. Upon arrival, multiple vehicles were stopped in the roadway due to the icy conditions in which two of the vehicles had collided. The accident occurred when one vehicle was sliding on ice and struck the back of a second vehicle. Both vehicles were able to be driven from the scene of the accident.



On March 11, 2022 at 10:42a.m., Hampton Township officers were dispatched to 4700 block of William Flinn Highway for a report of a two vehicle accident. Upon arrival, both vehicles were located in the parking lot of Firestone. The accident occurred as one vehicle was traveling southbound on William Flinn Highway in the left lane. The driver looked down at their phone, causing them to fail to see a stopped vehicle ahead. This distraction caused the operator to strike the rear of the other vehicle. Officers confirmed there were no injuries and both vehicles were able to drive away from the scene.



On March 13, 2022 at 6:00p.m., Hampton Township police were dispatched to the 4700 block of William Flinn Highway for a report of a hit and run accident. The driver stated they were exiting the Primanti Brother's parking lot to head northbound on William Flinn Highway. The driver then stated as they were exiting the parking lot, a vehicle crashed into the rear passenger door and quarter panel causing minor damage. The second

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A NOTE FROM THE HAMPTON NEWS

As *The Hampton News* continues to strive to bring you informative and interesting stories, we welcome feedback, ideas and submissions. We are always happy to hear from you and want to help keep the neighbors connected! The deadline for submissions are on the 15th of each month.

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Cleanup

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become men. Things like community service, being polite, and leaving places better than we found them are all steps in the right direction." The lacrosse team also plans on doing a community service event this fall.

The community park, the middle school, 13 local roads, the Duncan Ave/Route 8 walking trail, and the Park'N Ride areas

were all cleared of litter. A big thank you goes out to the Hampton Police, North Hampton and Hampton Fire Police, Shaler Fire Police and the Hampton Public Works and Sewer Departments. They all came out to make sure volunteers stayed safe on the roadways during the event. Thank you to all who participated to make this a successful community clean-up day.



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Ma's Designs Displayed at Warhol

Five Shady Side Academy, (SSA) students won seven national medals in the 2022 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards competition, including six gold medals and one American Visions Medal. The awards are presented by the Alliance for



Senior **Crystal Ma** – Gold Medal and American Visions Medal in Art and Fashion for *Plastic Biosphere*

Young Artists & Writers. The SSA winners are: Sophia Jho of McCandless, Crystal Ma of Hampton, Maria Schwendeman of McCandless, Hannah Song of O'Hara and Anker Zhao of Indiana Township.

Medalists are invited to attend the national awards ceremony in New York City in June and will have their works published in an online gallery at artandwriting.org.

SSA senior and Hampton resident Crystal Ma's passion took her a step further. Six of her pieces were selected to be shown on the runway at The Warhol's Museum's

Teen Fashion Show which spotlighted upcycled fashions designed by high school students!

For SSA, it marks the most national medals won (7) and the most student medalists (5) in a single year in the competition.

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It's a Wonder-ful World! Drop-in Storytime!

Spring is a wonder filled time! Join us as we fill our mornings with stories, songs and crafts designed to celebrate discovery as we interact with our environment. All ages and abilities welcome! Come early and stay for all the activities or come later and stay for a few; you decide!

Tuesdays and Thursdays Now thru May 19th from 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

10 a.m.- "Stories & Songs", 10:15- "Investigate and Create"
10:45- "Stories and Songs", 11 a.m.- "Parachute Play",
11:30- "Stories and Songs", 11:45- "Stay and Play."

Please note, HCL will stay with its current children's programming mask policy: Tuesdays- masks will be required; Thursdays - masks will be optional.

Card Club!

Wednesdays, Now thru May 25th from 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Join us Wednesday afternoons for a game of Euchre, Bridge, Gin Rummy, etc. Depending on the number of players we will divide up for different card games depending on what the majority decides! Come show your skill, teach someone a new game or just enjoy some time out with friends!

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News and Views: The Post-Covid Edition!

Fridays, May 6th, June 3rd 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

The longtime conversation group led by Journalist Gerry K. Smith will focus on navigating the post- pandemic panic--from health and hearth to world turmoil to the price of gas. Other topic suggestions welcome! New members are always welcomed. Join in with your biggest gripe or gratitude--or just listen. News and Views will meet in Activity Room 1 in the Community Center.

The Organizing Myth! Tuesday, May 17th @ 6:30 p.m.

Have you ever struggled with clutter? Ever thought "if I could only get organized, things would get better?" Join Stephanie Smith from A Space for Home and learn how to conquer that clutter once and for all! Registration appreciated, but not required. This program will be presented in Activity Room 2 of the Community Center.

Murder by the Book! A Mystery Book Discussion

Wednesday, May 18th @ 6:30 p.m. *The Guest List, By Lucy Foley.*

The Mystery Book Group will be meeting inside the library. Books will no longer be available at the circulation desk. Please call the library to request a copy of the book. Everyone who is interested in great reads is invited to join us!

Betty's Book Buzz Discussion Group. Friday, May 20th @ 1:00 p.m.

The Exiles, By Christina Kline.

Betty's Book Group will be meeting in the library. Books will no longer be available at the circulation desk. Please call the library to request a copy of the book. Everyone who is interested in great conversations and good reads is invited to join us!

Cooks-N-Books: Mexican Fiesta!

Thursday, May 26th, 6:30 p.m. -8:00 p.m.

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 - 3) Sample all of the amazing recipes!
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Local Real Estate Office Making an Impact

by Jackie Smith

When Russia invaded Ukraine and war broke out, realtor Melissa Ianelli, “wanted to find a way to help.”

For years, the Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices (BHHS) office, located on the corner of Route 8 and Harts Run Road has provided its agents a platform to help support causes near to their hearts. During the past year, their local board implemented a more formal structure where an agent within the office selects a charity or event, and the community responds. The month of March belonged to Ukrainians!

Melissa said, “a friend of mine belongs to Saint Peter and Saint Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Carnegie. Shortly after the invasion, she posted on social media that the church was collecting baby items. I thought it was the perfect opportunity to help young Ukrainian families.”

According to Ianelli, “The donation effort took off -- I couldn't have planned for how the community would respond. I would go to the office and load up our van, store the items at my home, and make the deliveries to the church at the appropriate times.”

The Pink Tag Sale is another way the BHHS office works in the community. Linda Pelkofer has hosted this event for the past 17 years to support breast cancer research. “I started with Susan G. Komen, and since January, 2021, I have partnered with local Wexford based, A Glimmer of Hope,” advised Linda. A Glimmer of Hope is a grass roots, volunteer organization committed to the fight against breast cancer through cancer research and programs. According to Pelkofer, every penny raised from the Pink Tag Sale goes to the charity; over the years more than \$80,000 was raised.

The Pink Tag Sale is Saturday, May 7th from 9:00 – 3:00 at the BHHS Hampton office, and is open to the public.

Office manager, Patrick Cannon states, “We have over 70 agents in our office, and they do a great job promoting and marketing each charity. We change the sign in front of the office every month, and the community rallies around with support!”



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Event coordinator Kara Sorenson said, "The event was such a success, and we hope

to see just as big a crowd for our Customer Appreciation Cinco De Mayo lunch on Thursday, May 5th at 11:30 AM. It's going to be a great opportunity to enjoy some tacos and pick up a plant for Mother's Day!"

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Community Easter Egg Hunt

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HHS's Musical Into the Woods

by Aja Lynn

"The best part of being in musical is the excitement of opening night!" - Brendan Capsambelis, percussionist and member of the Pit Orchestra for *Into The Woods*.

With one weekend of shows under their belt, the company of Hampton High School's production of *Into the Woods* has had much to reflect on. After two years of cancellations and obstacles due to COVID restrictions, this is the first "normal" performance to come to the high school's stage since 2019. Senior, leading lady, and student vocal director, Lindsay Liebro, recounts her time at the high school and notes that "it has all

come full circle for this year's seniors." As the only current class to have performed a show unaffected by the pandemic, the class of 2022 is grateful to be finishing off their time on the Hampton stage with the musical experience that they began their high school careers with.

But what is it that makes the musical not only enjoyable but also rewarding? Opinions from every perspective within the company seem to point to two main factors: the people and the passion.

Despite participants coming from different grades and social circles, the musical has the unique ability to bring people together. For student director Margaret Holmes, the most rewarding part of the musical is "being able to form such close


bonds with people you might generally not get to know." Emma An, the assistant stage manager, seems to agree as she finds it rewarding "being able to make something with [her] friends that people get excited about."

Daniel Franklin, a teacher at the high school and the leading director of the musical, personally



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has loved "watching the students really just devour this work." Even though *Into the Woods*, as a Sondheim musical, is known for its challenging material, Franklin notes the students' passion and their investment in the journey.





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| 4712 Vitullo Street | \$495,000 | 4705 Magnus Drive | \$329,899 |
| 2741 Shadowrock Court | \$449,900 | 2501 Saddle Drive | \$299,900 |
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Poff Student Wins Rare Squishmallow

by Gail Scott

Poff 4th grader Chloe Edmonds has quite a collection of Squishmallows, super soft stuffed animals that have names and biographies. They are very popular around the world and people of all ages collect these cuddly stuffed toys. Chloe began collecting Squishmallows in March 2020 when she received some as birthday gifts. She has about 300 that range in size from 1 to 24 inches! Even her dog Caramel loves the dog toy version.

This year, the ten-year-old Edmonds was chosen as one of the winners in the national Squishmallow contest. The contest was called

#GetGoldenHans and celebrated the company's 100 million toys sold in US, UK and Canada.

Entry for the contest required a 60-second video included certain criteria. "The whole family helped with the entry into

the contest," stated Chloe. "It was awesome to make the video with my older dog sister, Caramel." The prize that Chloe won, "Golden Hans," is the most rare Squishmallow. Hans is a 24 inch golden hedgehog Squishmallow, and is part of a limited edition run of just 30 world wide. The only way to get Hans was to be chosen as one of the 25 top winners of the video contest. Chloe and her dog Caramel were featured in the video entry.



Chloe Edmonds and her bestie Caramel with their new pal Hans!

WPIAL Announced 2022 James Collins Scholar/Athlete Award Recipients

Source: www.wpial.org

The Western Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic League (WPIAL) announced its recipients of the 31st annual WPIAL/James Collins Scholar/Athlete Award in April awarding 20 candidates (10 male, 10 female) selected from a pool of 142 nominees.

The 142 nominees are the most for the program since the 2016-2017 academic year. The candidate pool was represented by 75 female student-athletes and 67 male student-athletes from a total of 80 schools, with 120 of the candidates participating in more than one sport over their varsity career.

Hampton's winners are below, with a brief overview of their varsity careers.



Kai Herchenroether

Kai Herchenroether – 4.61 GPA ... Three-year letter winner in volleyball ... Helped lead Hampton to two section volleyball titles and WPIAL and PIAA runner-up finishes in 2021 ... Named All-State and AAU Volleyball Academic All-American ... Four-year honor roll and senior scholar ... Member of National Honors Society, MSA, Mandarin Club, WEA, and Student Council ... Served as a math tutor, H2GO SERVES lead coordinator and founder, Best Buddies prom organizer, youth volleyball program coach, head lifeguard, and Children of Steel Hampton Chapter ... Plans to pursue a degree in biomedical engineering and play volleyball at Carnegie Mellon University



William Retsch

William Retsch – 4.78 GPA ... Four-year letter winner in swimming & diving ... Owns school records in 200 Medley Relay, 200 Individual Medley, 100 Breaststroke, and 100 Butterfly ... Won five WPIAL individual titles between 2021 and 2022, and the 2022 PIAA championship in the 200 IM ... Helped lead Hampton to two WPIAL championships ... Member of National Honors Society, Chinese Language/Culture Club, and Band ... Received AMS Scholastic All-America and AP Scholar with Honors ... Volunteered time to Talbot Thon, USCGA Academy Introduction Mission, and Wildlife and Fisheries Management Summer Academy at Clarion University ... Plans to pursue an engineering degree.

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“Play Ball!”

by Mary-Theresa Watson

On Saturday, April 2nd, the Hampton Athletic Association (HAA) officially opened the season with a fun-filled event celebrating youth baseball and softball in Hampton. The day began with a parade led by Hampton police and fire trucks as teams of excited youngsters and their families joined in, traversing from the community center to McCully Fields. Upon arrival at the fields, everyone gathered to cheer on two important “firsts” of the 2022 season: fifth grader Julia Killmeyer sang the season’s first national anthem, and rookie T-ball player Michael Lucci was chosen to toss the first official pitch.

Michael’s mom, Heather Lucci, says 5-year-old Michael was

not expecting to be on the mound that morning, but he happily complied when HAA President Josh DeMasi randomly selected him to throw the first ball.

“Michael calmly followed the instructions of throwing the ball to the catcher as he was asked,” she says. “I’m not even sure he knew what he was doing, but he followed through exactly as he should,” Heather reports, smiling brightly as she recalls the fun day at the park.

Thanks to a number of volunteers and sponsors, the celebrations continued with activities for all to enjoy. Kona Ice and Rolling Meatballs food trucks provided some delicious options for the young athletes and their guests, all of whom enjoyed the bright, sunny day spent outdoors with family and friends.



Michael Lucci got to toss the first pitch out to officially start the HAA season.

Julia Killmeyer singing the National Anthem to kickoff the opening day ceremony.



Talbot Swimmers Represent Hampton at WPIAL Championship Meet

The 2022 WPIAL Swimming Championship was held on March 3rd and 4th at Trees Hall on the University of Pittsburgh campus. The Hampton girl's swimmers competed in the morning in the class 3A division.

This is a recap of the results of the girl's WPIAL's: Isabella Donato competed in the 200 IM and placed 17th. Donato also competed in the 100 back where she placed 14th. Emma An swam the 200 free and she placed 26th overall and also the 500 free where she placed 18th. The Hampton girls placed 15th in the 200 medley relay with Isabella Donato, Teresa Grimm, Rita Khoury, and Emma An. Also, Hampton placed 16th in the 400 free relay with swimmers

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Recreational Basketball

Coach Tom Ferguson has been coaching Hampton community recreational boys basketball for a long time. "The league was fun and we experienced a competitive season". He was especially happy for the seniors to win the championship!

The Gold team of high school 9th-12th graders pictured left to right: Grant Allen, Sam Morrell, Brayden Hussar, Coach Tom Ferguson, Bennett Ferguson, Nate Rick, Josh Carr, Adrian Midgley, and Kevin Morris Jr. (*not pictured Layne Haught*).



Swimming

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Emma An, Danielle Sutterlin, Rita Khoury, and Isabella Donato.

Hampton senior, Isabella Donato, will be attending Duquesne University this fall to study psychology. She swam competitively for 10 years and is officially taking a break during her last few months as a high school student. She plans to continue

swimming on the Duquesne club team. Isabella said, "Ten years came faster than I could have ever imagined. Through the good times and the bad, I wouldn't change my experience for the world. This sport has taught me more life lessons than anything else I have ever been exposed to."

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Prom Promise, Life Promise

by Lucy Sacco

The CDC says 1 in 10 teens drink and drive and are 17 times more likely to die in a crash involving alcohol.

Hampton High School brought awareness to this on the morning of April 25th. The juniors and seniors walked to the community center where a mock crash was prepared with 4 student actors and volunteers from around the community.

It began with a sound recording of a 911 call and sirens heard in the distance as Hampton police sped to the scene. Shaler Hampton EMS, Hampton Township V.F.D, and Allegheny County police were right behind. The Medical Examiner and Coroner's Office volunteered their time as well. A hearse from King Funeral Home arrived at the mock scene to remove the deceased. A LifeFlight helicopter landed in the parking lot, which conveniently is one of the various spots designated for landing in Hampton. Homicide, accident reconstruction, and collision reconstruction approached the scene and began taking measurements and pictures of everything. One important measurement they use is the length of the tire skid mark left by the speeding vehicle. Experts would be able to tell how fast the vehicle was going as well as a point-of-impact (POI) or an area-of-impact (AOI.)

Grace Pearson, one of the victims in the mock crash, could not believe how real everything felt. All of the first responders treated this as a real crash, including talking to the injured and keeping them calm, taking vitals, and even removing the car roof with the jaws of life to get the victims out.

Senior Christian Liberto said, "I think it was a great demonstration. I could tell it touched everyone in the crowd and will definitely stop people from drinking and driving."

Back at the high school, guest speakers gave a presentation, including the District Attorney, a defense attorney, and representatives from UPMC Children's Hospital.

It was obvious the students felt a sickly presence after watching some of their friends in these terrible situations; whether it was being put on a stretcher and airlifted in a helicopter, being taken away in a hearse, or handcuffed in the back of a police car; all after a tragic yet preventable situation.

Although this program was directed toward the high-schoolers, drinking and texting while driving affect all ages. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 28 people die per day due to drinking and driving-related incidents. Be a good influence on everyone in the community and don't drink or text while driving...no matter your age.



Jacob Premick pictured on ground



Left: Grace Pearson and Right: Breckin Hamler



Kole Reiser, with his mom, was chosen to be the drunk driver of the mock crash.



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Current Events

AARP #595 Meeting

May 3 at Noon

Welcome members and guests to our May meeting featuring the talented Cathi Rhodes and her heartfelt "Portrait of Patsy Tribute Show." Country music and pop fans will be delighted to hear the old familiar songs made famous by Patsy Cline. Meetings are 1st Tuesdays at Hampton Presbyterian Church, 2842 E. Hardies Rd, Gibsonia 15044. Annual membership is just \$7 a person. Come join us for fun, friendship, and great trips.

Annual Public Meeting For RCTC

Learn about the Rachel Carson Trail Conservancy's (RCTC) progress and plans!

Join us for some food and socializing followed by election results and a year-in-review of the accomplishments and future plans. This event is free and open to the public.

When: Wednesday, May 4, 2022

Time: 6 pm to 8:45 pm

6:00 pm—Food/drink, socializing

7:00 pm—Annual meeting (board election results, year in review, future goals)

7:30 pm—Kim Refosco, Educator/DEI Consultant, presents "Perspective and Embracing the Outdoors through the Eyes of a Person of Color"

8:00 pm—Brook Lenker, KTA Executive Director, presents "An Update from the Keystone Trails Association"

Where: North Park Lodge 40.61714, -80.01699

Greater Pittsburgh Civil War Roundtable

Monday, May 16, 7 pm

Hampton Township Community Center
1301 McCully Road, Allison Park.

William Connery will present:

"Civil War Northern Virginia 1861"

Lecture is free and open to the public. Masks and social distancing required.

Save the Date: 5KWalk/Run

When: Saturday, May 28, 2022, 9 AM

Where: North Park Boathouse

Details: All proceeds benefit Sturge-Weber syndrome research at Kennedy Krieger Institute.

Help raise awareness for Sturge-Weber syndrome and support Calvin Milo Torrance in his fight! Follow Calvin's Crusade on Facebook!

For questions for more information, please contact Nanette Harford at 724-316-4649.



Current Events

The **North Hills Chorale** will present two Spring concerts entitled "Sounds of Sondheim: A Tribute Concert". Dates and locations are: Saturday, May 14th at 7 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Bakerstown, 5825 Heckert Road, Bakerstown, PA; and Sunday, May 15th at 3 p.m. at Memorial Park Church, 8800 Peebles Road, Allison Park, PA. Free-will offerings accepted. Visit www.nhchorale.com.

Fore!

The Parks Department today announced that North and South Park golf courses are now open for the season. The courses have just gone through annual maintenance and aerating. Daily operating hours are 6 AM to dusk with regular season fees in effect.

Senior golf permits for ages 60 and older for the 2022-23 season are available for purchase online or in person at the North or South park clubhouses from 8 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday-Thursday. The cost is \$80 for county residents and \$100 for non-residents. Cash, American Express, Discover, Master Card and Visa are accepted.



Disabled American veterans with identification cards may purchase golf permits in person at the clubhouses from 8 AM to 3:30 PM, from Monday-Thursday. The cost is \$80 for residents and \$100 for non-residents. Cash, American Express, Discover, Master Card and Visa are accepted.

Concessions at both courses will be open seven (7) days a week serving beer, hot dogs, chicken fingers and fries, chips, drinks and snacks. Concessions will accept cash, debit cards, American Express, Discover, Master-card and Visa.

Golfers are encouraged to visit www.alleghenycounty.us/golf to review the youth golfer and spectator policy, rates for 9-hole and 18-hole play, and more.

The Ingomar Garden Club will be holding its Annual Fundraising Plant Sale on Saturday, May 21st from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. PERENNIALS, ANNUALS, HANGING BASKETS, HERBS, and VEGETABLES plus a FLEA MARKET. Location is at the corner of Ingomar Road and 9600 Perry Highway (Rte 19), Pittsburgh, PA, in front of the Commodore Perry Plaza and Bruster's. Visit <https://www.ingomar-garden-club.com>

Pennsylvania House of Representatives



Mobile Paper Shredding Event

Saturday, May 14th
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Hampton Community Park
3101 McCully Road, Allison Park

Representative Lori Mizgorski is hosting a Mobile Paper Shredding Event in conjunction with Hampton Township's Recycle Rama. Each resident is limited to two bags or boxes. No books, magazines, or metal other than staples are accepted. The collection will end prior to 11:00 a.m. if the shredding truck becomes filled to its capacity.

Parks and Trails

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quality of Hampton's recreational opportunities, park facilities, and trails. This plan will help local leaders make decisions about park use and development, programs, budgeting, and capital investment needed for short-and long-term recreation and conservation goals for the community.

The goals of the Comprehensive Recreation, Park and Open Space plan are:

- ◆ Listening to the community.
- ◆ Identifying key issues to address.
- ◆ Defining a Vision for the future.
- ◆ Developing implemental strategies.

A key part of creating this plan is extensive public engagement. This engagement includes public and study committee meetings, key person interviews, social media outreach and a digital questionnaire.

Our first means of outreach is the community questionnaire. By completing this questionnaire and providing your contact information, you will be entered into a lottery to win a Hampton gift card that can be used towards any event or program hosted by the Hampton Community Center, including the pool.

To keep the community up to date on the planning process, a project website has been designed. Resources and dates for public outreach opportunities will be posted to the website. www.hamptonparks.com

Deadline to complete this questionnaire is May 20, 2022.
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HamptonTwp>



A Poff Sock Hop

All students at Poff Elementary along with their families were invited to a Sock Hop in early April. Katie Matecka is a parent involved with helping to organize the event. Matecka said, "Hosting student

events really brings the students and community together." The committee was thrilled to be able to have an in-person event this year and believe that it is extremely important to the kids and parents to return to a more familiar school year with having such events.

BRGR and Kona Ice food trucks were available. The PPA would like to thank Bob's Sub, Donut Connection, Massage Envy, Aviva Brick Oven, Dave and Busters, Carnegie Science Center, Pasquale's Pizza, Caliente, Phipps Conservatory, Simply Subs, Chik-fil-A, Emiliano's, Osborne Books by Briana Mihok, The Hair Doctors Salon, Threading the Needle, Pittsburgh Penguin Foundation, Children's Museum, and Churn for donating prizes.





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by Sandy Giannuzzi

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HSWA prides itself on providing A-1 service to their customers. This has been proven as the authority was recognized this past March as a 2022 Banner Community by County Executive Rich Fitzgerald and the Allegheny League of Municipalities (ALOM). Their customer service department is staffed Monday-Friday between the hours of 7:30A.M-4:30P.M.

Customers of HSWA have multiple options for paying their bills, however, the most effective and convenient ways to pay your bill is through their automatic debiting program. Paying your bill in this way will eliminate the hassle of writing a check, paying your bill in person, or having to drive to one of the drop off locations. Your checking/savings account will automatically be debited for the net amount due on the due date that appears on your statement. Customers can easily sign up for this service by visiting the HSWA website at www.hswa-pa.org. From there, you will need to complete the "Automatic Payment Withdrawal Application," enclose a voided check and mail both back to the Authority's office at P.O. Box 3445, Pittsburgh, PA 15230-3445. You will continue to receive your bi-monthly water/sewer bill; however, that is merely a statement that should not be paid. On your bill it will state "DO NOT PAY-ACH CUSTOMER." This method of paying your bill is highly encouraged by the HSWA and can eliminate those over-due late charges in the event you forget to pay your bill!

Hampton Alum Publishes Book

Mike Bezilla is a new local author. He graduated from Hampton High School in 2003 and is currently living in Gibsonia.



"I love creating stories that my daughters enjoy and I'm excited to share my first children's picture book, **"The Adventures of Michael John: X Marks the Spot."** This book is the first of a series in which Michael John goes on awesome adventures using his imagination. In this first story, join our hero, Michael John, on an EPIC pirate quest to find his lost treasure chest!

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Local Women Making a Difference

by Laurie Rizzo

What Do Autism and Epilepsy Have in Common? The answer is three incredibly talented women with a purpose. Each story is unique and worth hearing.

Meet Rose, Heather and Sarah each of whom have a child with a disability which made them strive to make other children's lives more pleasant. Their dedication shows proven success!

Rose Morris is a Hampton resident and business owner, and is the founder and president of Abram's Nation. Her son Abram learned to climb out of his crib much earlier than expected. His autism contributed to sleeping issues, night-wandering and irrational temper meltdowns. "That frightened us for his safety," commented Rose, "Despite lots of searching, I couldn't find a safe enclosed bed for him that was portable, adaptable to his growing needs, and Abram-proof!" She needed the portability of a Pack-and-Play, the safety and protection of a crib-tent, and the durability to stand up to a rambunctious and clever growing boy. After sitting down with her husband and a friend they created several prototypes. Their team built the first Safety Sleeper and they continue to develop new lines of products that help and support the daily activities of special needs families.

Heather Shuker is the second success story. She is the Founder of Hannahtopia LLC. She created their exclusive product, the NillyNoggin® EEG Cap, out of necessity for her daughter and other warriors battling Epilepsy.

Hannah, Heather's daughter, is 19 years old and suffers from severe intractable epilepsy. This remarkably challenging journey of over 100,000 seizures, has led Heather



Hannah sporting a tie-dyed NillyNoggin EEG Cap.

on a mission to bring happiness to those suffering from epilepsy and medical challenges. She knows first-hand what children and parents could use to help give them a happy boost and a feeling of comfort. Those that suffer from medical challenges often use products that are medically sterile in appearance. Hannahtopia

brightens up the day by offering a variety of products that are colorful, comfy, and functional.



Lastly, Sarah Palya is the founder and CEO of Gus Gear, Inc. Sarah's journey began with her need to protect her son, Gus, who has complex medical needs as well as autism. From that need, Sarah created several securement devices and accessory products that protect the central

line and feeding tube Gus needs to keep him alive. Gus Gear's products protect these fragile medical devices, allow Gus to live a safer, more active life, and give his whole family peace of mind.

To learn more about their companies and foundations visit: abramsnation.com, hannahtopia.com, hannahtopiafoundation.org and gusgear.net.

Upcoming Events

2022 Township of Hampton Community Events & Activities

Farmer's Market Opening Day

Wednesday, June 1, 1-3 pm
Community Center parking lot

Hampton Community Day

Sunday, July 3 at
Community Park
1 pm—Fireworks at dusk

National Hot Dog Day

Wednesday, July 20, 1-3 pm
Hampton Community Pool

Christmas In July

Wednesday, July 27, 1-3 pm
Hampton Community Pool

Dog Swim Day

Saturday, September 10
Hampton Community Pool
12-3:15 pm

Halloween Parade

Saturday, October 22, 1-3 pm
Hampton Community Park

Holiday Event

Thursday, December 1, 7-9 pm
Community Center & Park

For additional information on these events and more, please visit the township website:
www.hampton-pa.org for the most up to date information!

Police Log

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vehicle fled the scene and Hampton Township officers checked the area but were unable to locate the vehicle in question.



On April 4, 2022 at 2:54p.m., Hampton Township police were dispatched to the 2100 block of Coventry Drive for a report of a vehicle that struck several mailboxes. Upon arrival, officers confirmed there were no injuries. The driver stated that as they exited the vehicle, they realized the vehicle was not in park and it started to roll down the hill. The driver attempted to catch up to the vehicle but were unable to do so. While the vehicle was rolling downhill unoccupied, it struck and damaged two mailboxes as well as a Duquesne Light box. Duquesne Light was notified and arrived on scene. The vehicle was able to be removed from the yard and driven from the scene.

DUI



On March 12, 2022 at 8:33p.m., a Hampton Township officer was on routine patrol in the area of William Flinn Highway, near Harts Run Road, when they saw a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed and making aggressive lane changes without the use of a turn signal. The officer initiated a traffic stop by utilizing their overheard emergency lights. The vehicle then pulled into the parking lot of Alpine Pools. Upon approaching the vehicle, the officer observed the driver to have slurred speech, red glossy eyes and smelled the odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from the vehicle. The officer requested the driver submit to a series of field sobriety tests, to which the driver agreed. Based on the totality of circumstances, the driver was placed under arrest for suspicion of driving while under the influence of alcohol.

Disabled Vehicle



On March 15, 2022 at 8:03p.m., Hampton Township police were dispatched to the area of Harts Run Road and Woodland Road for a report of a disabled vehicle. Upon arrival, officers located a disabled vehicle off

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Save The Date: Hampton Rotary 5K

Monday, July 4th 8:30 AM

<https://www.facebook.com/HamptonTownshipRotaryClub/>

Annual Golf Outing Fundraiser

Fundraiser Sponsored by Hampton Community Association (HCA) and Hampton Shaler Water Authority (HSA)

Friday, June 24th, 2022—Golf and Sponsors Needed

The HCA (exists to support Hampton and its residents in the establishment, maintenance and improvements of parks, recreational and cultural facilities for the benefit of the Hampton Community) and the Hampton Shaler Water Authority will be holding their Annual Golf Outing on Friday, June 24th, 2022 at the Pittsburgh North Golf Club. Current fundraising efforts are going towards a Gulf War Veterans Memorial Plaque for the Veterans Memorial Court as well as accessory equipment (benches and possibly outdoor fitness equipment) to be located along the loop trail that is currently in Phase 2 of construction. An invitation to this event can be found on the Township's website at www.hampton-pa.org/2022golfouting. They are again actively looking for individual and corporate sponsorships. Your contribution as a golfer, sponsor and/or donor would be greatly appreciated.

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Online registration link:

<https://hamptongsdayscamp2022.eventbrite.com>

Registration is open until May 23, 2022.

Please address any questions to:
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Police Log

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the roadway. The vehicle had been waiting for over two hours for a private towing company. At this time, officers set up flares for safety and notified the on-call duty tow to respond to the scene and remove the vehicle.

Water Main Break

On March 19, 2022 at 7:31a.m., Hampton Township officers were dispatched to the area of South Pioneer Road and West Bardonner Road Extension for a report of water coming into the residence. Upon arrival, officers discovered that the water was being caused by a water main break at a fire hydrant at the above intersection. Members of Hampton and North Hampton VFD responded to the scene to assist. Shaler Hampton Water Authority also responded to the scene to turn off the water and makes repairs to the fire hydrant.

On March 22, 2022 at 4:04a.m., Hampton Township police were dispatched to the 4900 block of South Pio-

neer Road for a report of a water main break. Upon arrival, officers located the water main break outside of a residence. Hampton Shaler Water Authority were notified and responded to the scene to repair the break.

On March 25, 2022 at 7:22a.m., Hampton Township police were dispatched to the area 2800 block of Drake Court for a report of a yard filling with water near a gas line. Hampton Fire Department were first on scene and determined it was a water main break with a possible gas leak. Shaler Hampton Water Authority and People's Gas were notified. Once Hampton Shaler Water Authority arrived they took control of the scene.

Hazardous Conditions/Wires Down

On March 19, 2022 at 2:13p.m., Hampton Township police were dispatched to the area of South Pioneer Road and West Hardies Road for a report of tree down blocking the roadway. Upon arrival, officers located the large tree

blocking the travel lanes. The Hampton Township DPW was notified and responded to the scene for removal.

On March 20, 2022 at 6:12a.m., Hampton Township police were dispatched to the area of Ferguson Road and Legendary Lane for a report of a tree and power lines down. Upon arrival, officers confirmed the tree was down with power lines. Due to the hazard, fire police blocked the roadway until the area could be made safe. Duquesne Light was notified to respond to the scene.

Unemployment Fraud

On March 14, 2022 a 3:21p.m., Hampton Township police received a phone call about a fraud report. Upon speaking to the resident, they stated that someone had used their information to open a fraudulent unemployment claim. The resident was not out any money and was advised to monitor their credit and file a report with the PA unemployment office.

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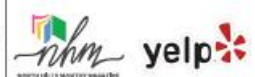
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begin June 1, 2022. The market will take place at the Community Park in Hampton Township and will operate weekly on Wednesdays from 3 to 7 pm. This is a rain or shine event that continues through October 12, 2022. Interested vendors are welcome to contact the Dept. of Community Services at 412-487-7870 or email bill.ryder@hampton-pa.org to obtain a vendor application.

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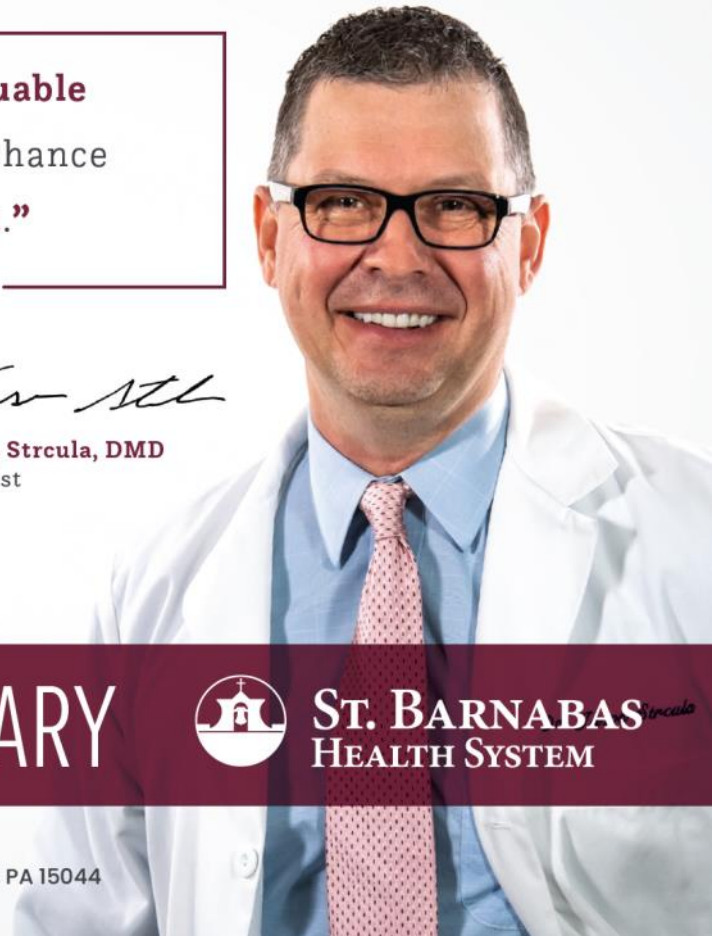


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