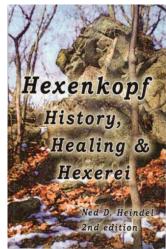
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From the Williams Township Historical Society (WTHS)

Williams Township residents will continue to learn more about township history in the coming months from our own historical society, founded in 1977 after the U.S. Bicentennial.

- On October 20, 2019, 3:00 pm at St. John's Church on Morgan Hill (2720 Morgan Hill Rd.) we
 will have a program "Welsh Music in America" by Jim Moyer, Music Department Head for
 the Pennsbury School District. Welsh immigrants settled in the Slate Belt, Easton, and
 Williams Township. The public is always welcome, and contributions to the goodie table
 are happily consumed.
- We now have a website at lvhistory.org where you'll find information not only about WTHS but about many other historical groups in the Lehigh Valley.
- Passport to History, the area-wide coalition of historical groups, will hold a Passport to History Day, tentatively set for May 16 and/or 17. Other events are being planned as well. Watch for announcements of what to visit, where, and why. WTHS will participate as we did this past spring.
- Members Jim and Terry Martin prepared a Historical Driving Tour of Williams Township, featuring the 47 historical homes and color photos thereof. Free copies available at our meetings.
- Watch for e-blasts and public announcements of programs in 2020. Tentative date for Spring meeting is March 29, 2020. If we have your e-mail address, we can keep you posted with our e-blasts. Send yours to lhh2@lehigh.edu.
- Remember that we have interesting publications available: reprint of the 1976 Bicentennial History of Williams Township \$15, CD of Pastfinder issues 1977-2016 \$25, Trolley Memories of a Raubsville Resident by Jane Kiefer Leary \$10, Hexenkopf: History, Healing & Hexerei by Ned Heindel \$10, and Map of Patent/Warrant Tracts of Williams Township by Jeff McGuire \$15. These are available at our meetings. Mailing charges are additional Call 610-253-8951. Most are also available at the Sigal Museum, 342 Northampton St., Easton. Sigal also carries Still Changing, Still Home: Northampton County since the 1950s by Glen Kranzley.
- Most of all we welcome new and renewing members at only \$10/year. Check us out at a meeting, then complete your membership with a check to WTHS, send to Linda Heindel, 200 Hexenkopf Rd., Easton, PA 18042.



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Williams Township Tax Office

Tax office hours 2-4pm on the following dates: Nov 1, Jan 2, 2020, and March 2, 2020. If paying with cash on these dates, please bring exact change if possible. If mailing a check for payment and you are requesting a receipt, please enclose BOTH bill portions along with a self addressed stamped envelope. The 2019 Williams Township tax bill deadline is Dec 15, 2019. The 2019-2020 Wilson Area School District tax bill deadline will be around mid April, final date is to be determined.



Zoning Office

Williams Township would like to welcome our new Zoning Officers, John Lezoche & Rick Oscavich. Williams Township requires permits for many types of construction including Fencing, Pools, Sheds etc...if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact your Zoning Officer at 610-258-0522 or email him at: wtzoning@williamstwp.org

Williams Township Fire Auxiliary

The Fire Company Auxiliary would like to thank everyone for their help and support at our annual Country Fair held this past July. Also, thank you for your help and support throughout the year at our breakfast and other fund raisers.

Upcoming events:

- October 6: All You Can Eat Breakfast Buffet, 8am-12 noon
- October 31: Trick-or-Treat, 6pm-8pm
- October 19: The firefighters are cooking up a scrumptious spaghetti dinner, 4pm-8pm

All events are at the Fire House on Morgan Hill Road.

Hope to see you there. As always, we welcome new members to the Auxiliary, both men and women. We meet the first Thursday of each month at the fire house on Morgan Hill Road at 7 PM.



MARY MEUSER



MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Mary Meuser Memorial Library Fall Events

1803 Northampton Street • 610-258-3040 • email meuserlib@rcn.com www.meuserlib.org • visit us on Facebook

- Our "Open Mic Night" continues throughout the year at 6:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of every month. All genres are invited. Come out and share your talents!
- The Meuser Book Club meets on the third Tuesday of every month at 2:00 p.m. Anyone interested in joining, please contact Wende at 610-258-3040.
- Our Meuser Knitting Club meets every Saturday at 10:00 a.m. Crochet-ers are also invited! Some beginning instruction is available. Bring your own supplies. Limited supplies will be available for beginners.
- Weekly STORYTIMES are held on Thursday and Friday mornings from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- In conjunction with Lafayette College, Meuser Library's Homework Help continues every Tuesday throughout the school year starting Tuesday, September 17 from 4:20 p.m. -5:45 p.m. Registration is appreciated. Call Wende at the Library for registration or more information: 610-258-3040.
- Our **annual Fall Foliage train excursion** will be on Saturday, November 2. This year we will be riding on the Colebrookdale Railroad out of Boyertown, PA. The bus leaves from the Meuser Park Tennis Courts Parking Lot at 9:30 a.m. and returns approximately 4:00 p.m. Cost of the trip is \$75.00 which includes roundtrip bus fare and train fare. Call Wende for more information: 610-258-3040.

- **S.T.E.A.M. activities** will be held throughout the school year every Wednesday. Drop-in from 4:00 p.m. through 6:00 p.m.
- Our second annual Haunted Library event will be held on Friday, October 18. Come out and get SPOOKED at Meuser Library! Details will be available on our website and our Facebook page, or call Wende at 610-258-3040.
- Christmas wreaths are BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! We will begin taking orders in October. Check our website or our Facebook page for updates.
- I LOVE MY LIBRARY T-shirts are for sale in a variety of colors and sizes for \$10.00 each. We have several examples and sizes available at the Library for your perusal. Stop by and check them out!
- A Meuser Library Community Art Project is in the works.
 We are recruiting seasoned and amateur artists of all ages to

helpuskeepourherbgarden fence lively and inviting. We are also planning on creating a mural on the east side of our Annex. Call Wende for more details: 610-258-3040.



Williams Twp. Veterans Memorial Committee

Williams Township citizens are welcome to join the Veterans Memorial Committee to help prepare the two major public programs for the year:

• **November 11, 2019:** Veterans Day program 11am, at the Township Municipal campus

Veterans Memorial Program in May, 2020, specific date pending

The committee meets the second Monday. 6:30 pm, in September and October to plan the Veterans Day program and the second Monday at 6:30 pm, in February, March, April, and May to plan the Memorial Day program. Meetings are held in the Community Building on the Township Municipal campus. This is a working committee who can use your ideas and talents in honoring our Fallen Heroes and all our veterans and active duty members of the military. Please call 610-253-8951 for information or just show up at the meeting. Your assistance will be welcome.



Boy Scouts



Troop 31 had a very busy summer and we are looking forward to an eventful fall and winter of 2019-2020! We are in the midst of our Annual Popcorn Fundraiser and are already starting to think about the wonderful adventures we can go on afterwards. Some of our Scouts are fund raising for a 2020 summer camp and high adventure camps, where they will be able to choose from a variety of events such as white water rafting, earning merit badges, hikes, camping trips, and many other activities.

Our Annual Scouting for food drive is coming soon so watch for door hangers with dates on when this will be, to help others in the community. If you do not receive a door hanger and would like to donate feel free to contact us. We have several Life Scouts working on their Eagle with planned projects throughout the Township. Please do not forget to recycle. Our boys are at the Williams Township Recycling center on the 2nd Saturday of the month. I would like to thank all the Committee Members of Troop 31 for the dedication and support throughout the year.

Troop 31 has been working really hard this summer helping out every 2nd Saturday with the recycling program. We have just returned back from our 1st out of council summer camp in a long time spending a week at Resica falls scout reservation.

We had 2 scouts attend the 24th world scout jamboree in West Virginia and 2 of the leaders Thomas Mattis and Chuck Yeoman were part of the international service team for the shooting sports area.

One of the troop 31 scouts attended Philmont Scout Reservation and hiked over 100 miles. We will be starting the 2019 scouting popcorn fundraiser this week running through the next few months. This fundraiser is the main way boys pay for camp, and other summer activities. So please support our scouts as they come knocking.

The Troop meets every Monday at St. John's Lutheran Church from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Donations will be accepted to Williams Township Troop 31 at 2403 Victor St., Easton PA 18042, Scoutmaster Jessie Quick, 484-942-4516.

Support the Troops, Inc.

Support The Troops Inc is a Williams Township non profit 501c(3) that has been shipping care packages year round to our military men and women serving free of charge since 2010. Do you know someone serving? If so let them ship a surprise package to them.

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Blair or Valerie Ferguson at

610-438-8885 or sttroops@gmail.com.

Land Preservation Board

The Land Preservation Board is currently working to preserve two more properties that will bring the total of permanently preserved property in the township to almost 1500 acres. The township no longer collects the Earned Income Tax that funded the program, but there is still money in the Open Space account and the program goes on. We meet the fourth Tuesday of every month, 7:00 PM, at the community building. Our meetings are open to the public and everyone is invited to attend.





Fry's Run Watershed Association

Perhaps some of you went to the Frys Run Watershed Association event that was held at Mariton Wildlife Sanctuary in September. If you weren't able to make it we'd like to share what happened there, and let you know the resources we have available. The focus of the event was 'Too Much Rain? - Your Yard Can Help'. No matter the size of your property, easy changes can be made to slow down the flow of water after a storm and help alleviate flooding. Did you know that a mature pin oak intercepts 2227 gallons of water each year? Any member of the watershed association can help out with ideas. Come to a meeting with your questions. We have 5 master watershed stewards in the association and they all studied hard to get knowledge to share. Meetings are the 1st Tuesday of each month in the community building on Cider Press Road, at 7pm.



Mariton Wildlife Sanctuary





Mariton Wildlife Sanctuary is presenting the following programs. All programs are free and open to the public, unless otherwise noted. Please call Preserve Manager, Tim Burris at 610-258-6574 or timburris@natlands.org if you plan to attend any of the programs. (Programs may be cancelled due to low registration, or inclement weather.)

Tuesday Morning Nature walks – Tuesday mornings

October 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29 • 9:00 a.m.-noon

On our Tuesday walks we will be looking at birds, fall flowers, butterflies, and the other wonders that we happen upon. Bring binoculars if you have them, or borrow ours.

Tuesday Morning Bird walks – Tuesday mornings

April 28 - June 2 • 7:30 a.m. - noon

Each week the group will visit a different location to bird. This is a great chance to learn about spring migrants with knowledgeable people. We meet at Mariton and carpool to other locations. Bring binoculars. (We have loaners available.)

Spring Wildflower Walk

Saturday, May 2 • 9:00 AM - Noon

Enjoy the beauty of our woodland wildflowers on a guided walk. Over the winter we will be offering walks and evening programs check the website www.natlands.org Also check Mariton's Field Notes on the website to learn about the latest sightings.

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Trick or Treat in Williams Township is on Halloween

October 31st 6pm to 8pm



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