

## **WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER**

### **July 2014**

**From the Supervisors:** The Township Supervisors would like to once again recognize Jason Piatt for becoming the first Washington Township resident and youngest Rotary District Governor in the world. We adopted Resolution 586 at our June 16<sup>th</sup> meeting acknowledging these great accomplishments and Supervisors William Conrad and Stewart McCleaf presented the resolution to Jason at his installation ceremony on June 21 at the Waynesboro Country Club.

When you see Jason congratulate him for his accomplishments so far.

**Franklin County Commissioners:** The Washington Township Supervisors and the Friends of Battle of Monterey Pass Board would like to thank the Franklin County Commissioners for awarding grant funding for the township to buy 116 acres of land in Blue Ridge Summit where the Maria Furnace Retreat route from Gettysburg is located.

As a result of this funding the township will be able to preserve and protect this historic Civil War site forever.

In addition, this site includes the Monterey Peak which will now be preserved for future generations to enjoy.

When you see the Franklin County Commissioners Dave Keller, Bob Thomas and Bob Ziobrowski, thank them for funding this project and allowing this historic treasure to be preserved.

**Rouzerville Monument:** On June 11, 2014 the township rededicated the Rouzerville Monument at Red Run Park. The township would like to thank the following individuals who spoke at the rededication; Supervisor Stewart McCleaf, Chairman Jeff Geesaman, Nancy Bull from Congressman Shuster's office, Senator Richard Alloway and Franklin County Commissioner David Keller.

The township would especially like to thank Ken Gilland from Gilland Memorial Works and his staff for restoring the metal portions of the monument. They look wonderful.

When you see Ken - thank him for a job well done.

**Transfer Station Changes:** As reported in this column last month, the State is requiring all weigh slips to have your license plate number, your name and address listed on the slip. We have tried very hard to minimize the time it takes to get all this information on your slip however, it slows things down a little on Saturdays.

The township and the staff would like to thank the patrons of the station for being so understanding with this change. After the first weekend, things are moving much faster now.

If you have any questions about the Transfer Station please give them a call at 762-4413 or the township office at 762-3128.

**Waynesboro's 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Jubilee 2014 will be held on JULY 4<sup>th</sup> across from the Hospital.** Celebration begins at 8 AM – and at 10:30 AM the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, sponsored by the Brothers of the Brush Stage will begin. Other activities and shows will occur throughout the day and Fireworks will be set off that night.

**Police Awards:** The Washington Township Board of Supervisors would like to once again congratulate Officer Terry DeWitt and the Washington Township Police Department for receiving certificates of appreciation from PennDOT for administrating and enforcing the PA

Aggressive Driving Enforcement and Education Program in the Township for year 2013. When you see Officer DeWitt or any of our Officers thank them for helping to make our community safer for drivers.

### **OTHER EVENTS!**

#### **Renfrew Museum and Park Events:**

- Thursday, July 10<sup>th</sup> - The Wayne Band will provide a free concert for the public starting at 7:00 PM behind the House. Free admission! Please bring lawn chairs or a blanket.
- Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> - Royer Farmstead Tours – “Walk Back in Time!” as you tour the farmstead with guides in period clothing. Adults \$8 and Seniors \$7. Students (7-18) \$5 Children under 7-FREE. From 12-4 pm.

**Ice Cream Social – Blue Ridge Summit Free Library:** 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM on Saturday, July 19, the Blue Ridge Summit Free Library will be holding its Annual Ice Cream Social and celebration! There will be thousands of used books for sale, magic show, fire truck rides, good food, baked goods, ice cream, book signing, artists, face painting, Historic Displays of Civil War, Mason & Dixon and French and Indian War, and much more! Round out the day and listen to the entertainment including The Wayne Band, Rich Fehle, Culler Magic, Clair Martin, Colton Duvall and many others. Bring a lawn chair and stay all day! Something for everyone! Contact board president Lynn Martin at (717) 642-5645 or the library for more information at (717) 794-2240.

**Destination ARTS:** June 27 – October 5, 2014, SUMMER FUN in Downtown Waynesboro. Children’s Scavenger Hunt with Prizes, plus ~ Arts and Crafts, Performing Arts, Magic Shows and much more! Gallery 50 – 50 West Main Street; Gallery 20 East – 20 East Main Street. Galleries are Open Thursdays 1-4PM, Fridays 5-8PM, Saturdays 12-6PM and Sundays 1-4PM. Check website for details and events: [www.ArtsAllianceGW.org](http://www.ArtsAllianceGW.org).

**Check out these galleries!** Don’t miss the great art displayed in store front windows – all available for purchase.

- Gallery 74 West – Through the Lens – 74 West Main St.**
- 42 West Arts Co-op – 42 West Main Street**
- Ceramic Arts Center of Waynesboro – 13 S. Church Street**
- Contemporary School of Arts & Gallery – 10 E. Main Street**

**Fireworks Information:** With the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday fast approaching; many residents plan to use fireworks to celebrate. Fireworks are fun and exciting to watch, but they can also be dangerous and cause severe burns and damage property if not used correctly.

Not all fireworks are legal in Pennsylvania. Possession of illegal fireworks is punishable by fines and confiscation of the items.

**Legal Fireworks include:** Sparklers, Fountains, Crackling and Strobing Devices, Wheels, Spinners, Smoke and Punk Devices, other Novelty items.

**Illegal Fireworks include:** Bottle and Sky Rockets, Roman Candles, Fire Crackers and Missiles.

If you do plan to use fireworks keep some of the following safety tips in mind:

- Always read and follow the directions on the device being used.
- Only use fireworks outside in a well cleared area, away from other people's property.
- Do not set off fireworks in a residential development, as an example. (You can be held both civilly and criminally responsible for damaging someone else's property).
- Have a responsible adult supervise all firework activities.
- Light only one item at a time.
- Have a bucket of water available to dispose of used fireworks.
- Buy fireworks from reputable distributors. (Legal items should have the manufacturer's name and cautionary information printed on them).
- Store fireworks away from heat, sunlight and open flame.
- Dispose of unused items. Do not retain from year to year.

Thank you for following these guidelines.

**July FREE Entertainment at Red Run Park:** The entire summer schedule is posted on the Township's website: [www.washtwp-franklin.org](http://www.washtwp-franklin.org) for your quick reference. Go to Departments - then Parks and Recreation - then choose Red Run Park.

July 6	<b>THE OUTLAW VALLEY RAIDERS</b>	1-4 PM
July 13	<b>CB PICKERS</b>	1-4 PM
July 20	<b>HANOVER EXPRESS</b>	1-4 PM
July 27	<b>FRIENDS CREEK PICKERS</b>	1-4-PM

### **July Dates to Remember**

- 1 & 15:** WTMA Meetings – 7:15 p.m.
- 2, 16 & 30:** Supervisor Workshop Meetings – 7:00 p.m.
- 4:** **JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> HOLIDAY -**  
**Township Offices - CLOSED**  
**Transfer Station and Recycling Center - CLOSED**  
**Police Department Administrative Office – CLOSED**  
**Tax Office - CLOSED**
- 7 & 21:** Supervisors Meetings – 7:00 p.m.
- 14:** Planning Commission Meeting – 7:00 p.m.
- 28:** Zoning Hearing Board – 7:30 p.m. (if needed)