



# POTTER TOWNSHIP NEWS

A quarterly publication of Potter Township, Beaver County Pennsylvania

## SUMMER INTERNSHIP AWARDED TO POTTER

For the first time in 2015, Beaver County is participating in the Municipal Intern Program hosted by Local Government Academy. Through the program, college students from various disciplines work for a municipality on a specific project to gain practical experience and aid local government operations. The municipality, in turn, gets help on important projects and is responsible for only one half of the intern wages while the County bears the other half of the cost. We hope to introduce our intern by late May, and you will to meet him/her at public meetings and township events.

Potter Township is proud to have had its intern project selected in this inaugural year! Our municipal intern will be assigned to helping with park development on the Tank Farm and adjoining properties at Raccoon Creek by applying **Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)** ideas. This approach will tell us how to lay out trails and other park amenities with an eye to public safety, by using existing natural features as well as innovative and environmentally sound design. The intern will produce GIS mapping of current and future assets and a report with recommendations that includes potential partners and funding sources for the project. S/he will have the opportunity to work with the township engineer, consultants and designers, environmental educators, government agencies – and *you*, our residents – to bring our “park dream” closer to reality!

### Summer 2015

#### Helpful Contacts

Township Office	724-495-6220
Township Fax	724-495-3222
Emergency	911
Police, non-emergency	724-774-0271
Fire, non-emergency	724-495-3364
Animal Control	724-775-5801

#### Central Valley School District

Central Office	724-775-5600
High School	724-775-4300
Middle School	724-775-1050
Todd Lane	724-775-1050
Center Grange Elem.	724-775-8210
Latch Key Program	724-775-6697

#### Utilities

Duquesne Light Co.	1-888-393-7100
Peoples Natural Gas	1-800-764-0111
Center Water Authority	724-774-7960
MWAA	724-375-5525
PennDOT	724-774-6610

#### Township Office Hours

Mon—Tue—Wed	10am—4pm
Thu	10am—2pm
Fri	10am—2pm

#### Real Estate Tax Office hours

Thursday	8AM—10AM or by appointment at home
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#### Board of Supervisors

Rebecca Matsco, Chair  
Earl Shamp  
Al Cwynar

Work Sessions:  
1st/3rd/5th Wednesday, 6pm

Regular Meeting:  
2nd/4th Wednesday, 6pm

## **NEW HIRE – NEW HOURS!**

We are delighted to introduce Linda McCoy as our new part-time Assistant Secretary! Linda and her husband Allan have been Mowry Road residents for over a decade and love living in Potter Township. Linda's background is in business administration and organizational management, so we are excited to have her apply her skills in our municipal office. She began on March 16<sup>th</sup> and plans to work at least 12 hours each week, so that we can have open hours on Fridays.



Illustration by Chris Gash

This year, Linda's assignment is to listen and learn! She looks forward to learning from Christie Floyd-Gabel how a local government operates from the administrative perspective, with the hope that she can step into the position of Secretary-Treasurer in 2016, as Christie retires. This promises to be a dynamic team in our office and we know you will give Linda a warm welcome!

## **UNDER DEVELOPMENT:** **Columbia Gas Builds in Potter and Center**

On Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania will break ground on a new Operations & Training Center near Toys R Us and the Beaver Valley Mall. Most of the facility will actually lie inside Center Township, while some the fire suppression training area is in Potter. Here is what Columbia Gas told us:

*The new facilities are great news for Beaver County and local communities. As an industry leader in safety, ethics, customer service, and employee engagement, Columbia Gas will soon construct facilities enabling us to be an industry leader in natural gas distribution training and we're excited to share this announcement with you!*

Welcome to Potter Township, Columbia Gas!

## Have you seen our eagles?

If you have pictures or stories to share about the bald eagle nest on Montgomery Dam Road, we want to share them! We would love to post some of these interesting "Potter-only" news items. Send your photos and stories to our office at: [christie@pottertwp.comcastbiz.net](mailto:christie@pottertwp.comcastbiz.net)



# COMMUNITY TIRE COLLECTIONS

***Need to get rid of tires or wheels from your car or light truck?***

**All events 9 AM to 12 Noon - rain or shine**

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*Proof of residency not required.*

*Individuals and small businesses welcome.*

*No limit to the number of tires you may bring.*

*Checks accepted with ID.*

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***Size: Your cost to dispose:***

Up to 18" off rim \$2 each

Up to 18" on rim \$4 each

Tractor trailer up to 22.5" (no rims please) \$20 each

Farm tractor rear up to 75 lbs. \$20 each

Farm tractor rear 75 to 150 lbs. \$40 each

Farm tractor rear over 150 lbs. \$75 each

[www.independenceconservancy.org](http://www.independenceconservancy.org)

***Conducted by***

***Independence Conservancy***

***at the following locations:::***

5-2-15 Ohioville Borough Mun. Bldg., 6268 Tusca Rd., Industry PA 15052

5-9-15 New Sewickley Twp. Mun. Bldg., 233 Miller Rd., Rochester PA 15074

5-16-15 Big Beaver Borough Bldg., 114 Forest Dr., Darlington PA 16115

# ***NEWS FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT:***



In past years we were blessed to be a part of the car cruises at The Midway Bar and Grill, where they allowed us to sell food as a fund raiser. With the loss of the Midway we must look for new fundraising endeavors to support our Volunteer Fire Department. Monies raised will be used to purchase much needed equipment, training and meet our monthly expenses.

Here are a couple of our upcoming fundraisers....

## **BAKE SALE!**

On Saturday April 4th the fire department will be selling hot dogs and having a bake sale at Wal-Mart. If you are able to contribute to our bake sale please contact Casey Harrington at (724) 495-6304, we will pick up the items.

## **YARD SALE**

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE POTTER TWP VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
SATURDAY APRIL 25, 2015  
9-4 INSIDE THE POTTER TWP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

We are asking township residents to donate their gently used clothing, toys or tools. We will accept small working appliances and household items. We are unable to accept large appliances or electronics, such as computers or televisions.

You can drop your items off at the Fire Hall Tuesday evenings between 7 and 9 pm. We will begin accepting items Tuesday March 3<sup>rd</sup>. If you would like us to pick up items at your home, please call Lois Podnar at 724-252-7534.

## **GET READY FOR SUMMER RAFFLE**

The drawing will be Friday May 22 and will be based on the PA Daily Pick 3 number drawn at 7 pm. The price of a ticket is \$5 and includes a chance for the following.

\$200 Cash Prize AND.....

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| Picnic Table                       | Grill w/propane                               |
| Steaks (assorted cuts)             | 20# Hamburger Patties                         |
| 10# Chicken Breasts                | 10# Chicken Wings                             |
| 10# Hot Dogs                       | 10# Kielbasa                                  |
| 10# Potatoes                       | 5# Pasta                                      |
| 5 cases Pop (winner's choice)      | 2 cases beer (winner's choice)                |
| Ketchup, Mustard, Relish & Mayo    | Italian Dressing, A-1 Steak Sauce & BBQ Sauce |
| Paper Plates, Napkins & Silverware |   |
| 1 Fire Extinguisher                | 1 Smoke Detector                              |

The members of the department will be going door to door to sell the tickets. The tickets will also be on sale at various fund raisers we will be having in the near future. You may also call Lois at 724-252-7534 to purchase a ticket.

# 2015 Township Events

## **Annual Township Cleanup**

9 am until Noon

### **Day Camp**

July 6 –10

9 am —12 noon

## **Movie in the Park**

July 10

8:30 pm

## **Annual Family Reunion Picnic**

August 22

4:30 pm — ?

## **Trick or Treat**

October 31

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

## **Golden Fifties Dinner**

November 7

5 pm — ?

## **Holiday Bingo**

December 4

6:30 pm



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### **2014 Real Estate Taxes Due by March 31, 2015**

This is a friendly reminder that 2014 Real Estate Taxes must be paid by March 31, 2015. If you have not paid your taxes by then, they will be sent to the Beaver County Delinquent Tax Office after that date.

Thanks for your prompt payment. 2015 Township Real Estate Taxes were sent to property owners on February 28. If you have not received yours, please call Christie Floyd-Gabel to let her know, 724-495-7279.