



# WEST WARD MOSAIC

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## Easton City Wide Clean-up Saturday April 24th from 9AM until 12 Noon



**EARTH DAY  
April 22nd!**

Volunteers are needed for The Great Pennsylvania Clean-up Day in the West Ward. Everyone is encouraged to clean up the street they live on. If you'd like to help with a group effort such as handing out recycling cans at Centennial Park please contact Weed & Seed at 610-250-2066 or West Ward Neighborhood Partnership at 610-515-0891 for specific Canton Clean-ups. Gloves, vests, and trash bags will be provided for groups that sign up.



### ***TIRES---TIRES --- TIRES! NOW IS YOUR CHANCE TO GET RID OF THOSE OLD CAR TIRES!***



ALSO ON APRIL 24TH THE WEST WARD NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERSHIP IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CITY OF EASTON, WEED AND SEED AND 10TH STREET TIRE ARE HOLDING A CAR TIRE CLEAN UP.

### **CAR TIRES ONLY CAN BE TAKEN TO THE 10TH STREET COMMUNITY GARDEN**

**PARKING LOT AT S. 10TH AND PINE. DROP OFF IS BETWEEN 9AM AND NOON.**

**PROOF OF RESIDENCY IN WEST WARD (5TH TO 15TH STREETS) IS REQUIRED.**

**West Ward Residents can put used CAR tires out on the curb on trash pick-up days  
Tuesday April 27th and Thursday April 29th *ONLY* for a city truck to pick up.**



### SPRING CLEANING

For those who like to do Spring cleaning of their houses and garages here are a few suggestions. Please consider recycling unwanted items. Here are some ways in which you can recycle these items and help the City of Easton keep trash fees down.

- Place plastics, cans and paper in City recycling containers and put on the curb prior to 5:00 AM of your regular recycling day every other week
  - Cardboard boxes **MUST** be flattened no larger than 2' by 2' and placed in large blue recycling container or bundled
  - Printer cartridges, cell phones and chargers can be taken to the Easton Recycling Center at 500 Bushkill Dr.
- Old PC's, monitors, copiers and microwaves are some of the items that can be disposed of at the e-cycling event conducted by Northampton County on May 15<sup>th</sup> at Easton High School.

CITY OF EASTON ORDINANCE REQUIRES THAT ALL RESIDENTS MUST RECYCLE! Recycling cans are available at City Hall for \$5. If you are unable to purchase one or pick one up, Weed & Seed can help! Please call 610-250-2066.

Contact the Weed & Seed Office at 610-250-2066 or at [weedandseed@easton-pa.gov](mailto:weedandseed@easton-pa.gov) for additional information regarding our programs/committees, if you have comments or questions about the West Ward or would like to share an idea. View the West Ward Mosaic, as well as other important information pertaining to the community, online at [www.easton-pa.gov](http://www.easton-pa.gov). To view the West Ward Mosaic, click on General Information. Select Weed & Seed at the bottom of the drop down menu. Scroll down to Newsletter. Simply choose the month you'd like to view.



**2010 E-cycling Event**  
**Save the Date and Your Unwanted Electronics!**  
**May 15<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am to 2:00pm**

Once again this year the Two Rivers Council of Governments (TRCOG) and Northampton County will be hosting an e-cycling event on May 15, from 9:00am to 2:00pm, in the Easton Area High School parking lot, located at Route 22 and 25<sup>th</sup> Street in Palmer.

By participating, you will be conserving natural resources and protecting the environment from significant amounts of heavy metals. Heavy metals found in electronic equipment are poisonous to human health and the environment. If you have any questions about this event or e-cycling in general you can contact Tom Dittmar, Environmental Conservation Coordinator for Northampton County, at [tdittmar@northamptoncounty.org](mailto:tdittmar@northamptoncounty.org) or Cindy Oatis, Recycling Coordinator for the City of Easton at [coatis@ptd.net](mailto:coatis@ptd.net)

**What **can** be E-cycled:**

Computer monitors, hard drives, keyboards, printers, software, televisions, DVD players, VCR's, cell phones, pagers, digital equipment, scanners, fax machines, modems, answering machines, remote controls, tape players, telephone/equipment, thermostats, thermometers, batteries (alkaline), stereos, fluorescent lamps and personal copiers.

**What **cannot** be E-cycled:**

Electric equipment such as: toasters, hair dryers, wall clocks or electric razors.

Construction demolition, furniture, appliances, white goods, or household hazardous waste.

**All residents and businesses welcome! Check [www.easton-pa.gov](http://www.easton-pa.gov) for the price guidelines for each of these items.**

**Spring in the Parks**  
**April 17 2010**  
**Easton West Ward Pocket Park Fair**

**Highlights**

- Food
- Music and Dance
- Crafts
- Kid's Activities

Join Northampton Community College, the West Ward Neighborhood Partnership & Lafayette College for a day of fun in the parks.

Activities will center around the Easton Area Community Center at 901 Washington St. and the community garden at 10th and Pine. Streets.

**Time: 11:00 AM—3:00 PM**

**SPRING IN THE PARKS**

Starting at the Easton Area Community Center at 901 Washington Street, families can board a free trolley to take a tour of the 7 pocket parks and two community gardens in the West Ward.

There will be a stamp book to be completed for each location. There will be a crafts table, snacks for kids, garden demonstrations, and planting of a salad garden at the South 10<sup>th</sup> and Pine Community Garden. There will be music, fun and games. A registration table and information will be at the Community Center. In case of rain activities will be at the Community Center. The Lafayette Leopard will be riding the Trolley!

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM W&S  
Prevention, Intervention & Treatment (PIT)...  
(see back page for meeting time and location)**

HAVE ALL YOUR PRESCRIPTIONS FILLED AT ONE PHARMACY. HAVING ALL MEDICATIONS ON FILE AT ONE PHARMACY CAN HELP MONITOR USE AND PREVENT HARMFUL INTERACTIONS.

**National Infant Immunization Week**  
**Love them. Protect them. Immunize them.**  
April 24-May 1, 2010



Vaccinations are one of the best things you can do to protect your children. Ask your doctor or nurse if your children are up-to-date on their immunizations. For more information on immunizations, call the PA Department of Health, Northampton County State Health Center at 610-250-1825.

**PARENT/COMMUNITY/INTERGENERATIONAL RESOURCE FAIR**

**WEDNESDAY APRIL 14, 2010 FROM 3-6 PM**

**AT THE SOUTH SIDE SENIOR CENTER'S MAIN CORRIDOR.**

Parents will have the opportunity to meet with representatives from community service agencies who will be available to present their services, answer questions, and or provide information to apply for the services they provide. Agencies represented include: Easton hospital, Crime Victims Council, Family Connection, CHIP Program, Child Care Assistance (Title 20), Northampton county Assistance Office, Easton Area Neighborhood Center, Easton Public Library, Food Stamp Outreach, ProJeCt of Easton, Easton hospital diabetes, and more.

**This event is open to the public.**

**GET INVOLVED!**

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Allentown Alumnae Chapter presents

"Raise Awareness To Help Identify and Prevent Domestic Violence"

Saturday April 24, 2010 from 10 am—12 noon

Keynote Speaker: Angel McKamey—Degrasse

At Spring Garden Children Center, Inc, 401 W. Berwick Street, Suite 103, Easton

Please RSVP to Deb Wilson-Gaddy @ 908-797-5402



Join Oprah Winfrey's NO PHONE ZONE! Check out [www.oprah.com](http://www.oprah.com).



**KEEP OUR STREETS SAFE ~ DON'T TALK/TEXT AND DRIVE!  
BE ALERT IT ONLY TAKES A SECOND FOR AN ACCIDENT TO  
HAPPEN!**

**2010 Citizenship Day in PA**  
**Sunday April 18th in Allentown**  
**Additional locations Saturday, April 17th**  
**in Philadelphia**

Citizenship Day provides free legal help to people ready to apply for U.S. Citizenship. To participate, people should call to find out if they are eligible and get an appointment to help prepare the application. Eligibility for free services is based on income.

While there is no charge for this assistance, individuals are still responsible for filing fees, postage & biometrics. Some people may be able to apply for a waiver of the government filing fee.

The Allentown site is hosted and co-sponsored by Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of Allentown. You must register for this event in advance and receive an appointment - Call the Pennsylvania Immigration and Citizenship Coalition at (215) 832-3482

More information is available on [our website](#) including flyers in English, Spanish and Arabic. Please share this information with service providers, congregations and community groups.

2010 Citizenship Day is a collaboration between the Philadelphia Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA), Esperanza, HIAS and Council Migration Service of Philadelphia, the Korean Association of Greater Philadelphia, Nationalities Service Center (NSC), and the Pennsylvania Immigration and Citizenship Coalition (PICC).

The ACLU has established a helpline to report possible immigrant civil rights violations or to ask questions. 877-745-2258



Please join us for the annual

Crime Victims' Council  
of the Lehigh Valley's

# **"2010 National Victims' Rights Week"**

*"Crime Victims'  
Rights:  
Fairness, Dignity,  
Respect"*

To remember crime victims and  
their families and friends.

6:00 PM, Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>  
at the Memorial Tree of Life Grove

Questions? Please call 610-437-6610

# **SHARE Food Program at Easton Area Community Center**

If you have trouble getting to the grocery store ~ check out SHARE because you can walk to the Easton Area Community Center



- Orders placed once a month at EACC
- Pay for food at time of order
- Cash and food stamps acceptable
- Pick up your order at EACC on designated delivery day
- Find out about volunteer opportunities
- **Spread the word !!**

## **SHARE— Self Help and Resource Exchange**

**SHARE** is a program working to make food more affordable for individuals and families, while at the same time encouraging volunteer service in the community.

**SHARE** is a program where people can receive food packages worth \$35-\$45 for only 2 hours of service and the cost of the package. The food packages contain frozen meats, fresh fruits & vegetables, and basic items.

**SHARE** is open to everyone! There are no restrictions. **SHARE** works because of its high level of participation, and its devoted volunteers and host sites.

### **EASTON AREA COMMUNITY CENTER**

**901 WASHINGTON ST.**

**EASTON, PA 18042**

**PHONE 610-253-8271**

**EMAIL eaccfood@ptd.net**



### **Kindergarten Kickoff Carnival**

Hosted by Family Connection  
Paxinosa Elementary School  
1221 Northampton Street  
Friday June 18th from 3 to 6 p.m.  
Free, fun activities for preschool-age children  
and their families  
For more information call Anita Hunt at  
(610) 250-2551 ext. 24324



### **ATTENTION NEW RESIDENTS**

The Easton Area School District is accepting appointments for new student registrations for the 2010-2011 school year. Please Note: Registrations are done by appointment only. Please call 610-250-2400 for more information.

## **ARBOR DAY April 30th!**



### **FREE MEALS FOR CHILDREN 5-18 YEARS OF AGE**

Easton Area Community Center at 901 Washington Street serves FREE MEALS to children ages 5-18 that live in the West Ward.

Dinner is served at 5:30 PM Monday—Friday. Walk-ins are welcome! Membership NOT required for dinner!

Call for more information 610-253-8271

## Employment Opportunities

Summer Pool Managers, Lifeguards and Gate Attendant positions available at the Easton/Phillipsburg & Vicinity YMCA. Visit [www.familyymca.org](http://www.familyymca.org) for more information.

Summer Nights Program Manager - P/T approx. 20 hours/week. Contact Laura Accetta at 610-250-2066 for more information.

City of Easton - P/T Crossing Guard and P/T Parking Enforcement Officer positions available. Contact Human Resources at 610-250-6622 or visit [www.easton-pa.gov](http://www.easton-pa.gov).

Sands Casino - Table Games COMING SOON! - Go to [www.northampton.edu/hci](http://www.northampton.edu/hci) for more information.

**EMPLOYERS:** Post your employment needs here...It's FREE! Email your information to [weedandseed@easton-pa.gov](mailto:weedandseed@easton-pa.gov).

**Have you filled out your CENSUS?**

The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the upcoming US Census and the importance of an accurate count of Pennsylvanian's. Many decisions regarding federal allocations to state and local government are made based on the census. That includes funding from the federal government that is in turn awarded to support programs such as yours and others.

PCCD is also seeking your help to promote the participation in Census 2010 with the citizens that you serve over the next several weeks. To help get you started, below please find some bullet points you might share with constituents:

When you fill out the Census form, you are making a statement about what resources your community needs going forward.

Responses to the Census will have a direct impact on the funds Pennsylvanians receive in the future.

Without an accurate count, Pennsylvania will not get its fair share.

The Census form is only 10 questions and only takes 10 minutes to complete.

There are no questions on the form that would allow for misuse or identity theft.

- o Answers remain confidential and are only used for the Census
- o No questions are asked about a person's legal status in the US
- o Postage is pre-paid with the envelope provided.

By completing the form and mailing it in on time, you will not need to meet with anyone from the Census.

## Easton Weed & Seed Committee Meeting Schedule & Contact Information *Meetings Open to the Public* **RESIDENT PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED!**

### AID Team

AID Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday at 4:00 p.m.  
Paxinosa Elementary School Library  
Chair - Lori Metz 610-258-6158 x22  
[lori@familyymca.org](mailto:lori@familyymca.org)

### Community Policing (Safety)

Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 7:00 p.m.  
\* April meeting will be Thursday April 22nd  
Salvation Army  
Chair - Lt. J. Remaley 610-250-6752  
[jremaley@easton-pa.gov](mailto:jremaley@easton-pa.gov)

### Prevention, Intervention & Treatment (PIT)

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 3:30 p.m.  
Easton Area Public Library  
Chair - Louella Morris 610-250-2066  
[wshealthcommittee@yahoo.com](mailto:wshealthcommittee@yahoo.com)

### Easton Area Violence Prevention Task Force

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 3:30 p.m.  
6<sup>th</sup> Floor Alpha Building  
Chair - Pastor Sue Ruggles  
[eavptf@gmail.com](mailto:eavptf@gmail.com)

### Neighborhood Restoration

May 25, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.  
1121 Lehigh Street Mike Fleck's home  
Chair - VACANT  
[mfleck@easton-pa.gov](mailto:mfleck@easton-pa.gov)

For additional information contact  
Laura Accetta, Site Coordinator at (610) 250-2066 or  
[laccetta@easton-pa.gov](mailto:laccetta@easton-pa.gov)



Summer 2010

**City-wide Intramural Basketball League**  
The Greater Shiloh Church & Easton Police Department will be sponsoring a youth Basketball League for girls and boys ages 11-13. Registration and participation is FREE!

Contact Deacon Waltar Bright, CIBL Commissioner at 610-252-5640 for more information.

The registration form, parental consent and proof of age are due on or before APRIL 30, 2010!  
**CALL TODAY!!**

