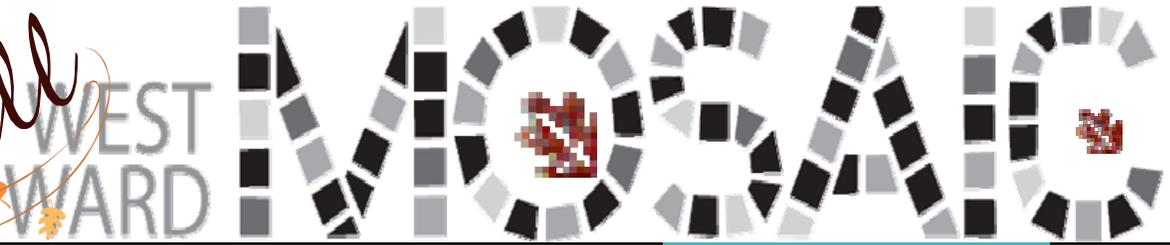




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**2010 ANNUAL WEED & SEED
DINNER and MEETING**



**Thursday November 18, 2010
5:00 pm—7:00 pm
Easton Area Community Center
901 Washington Street**



Call 610-438-2680 to register. If you call after hours, leave your name and phone number ONLY and we will call you back.

Due to Fire Safety Regulations, we are limited to the first 200 West Ward residents that register.

This is a FREE Event!

**PROOF OF
WEST WARD
RESIDENCY
REQUIRED WHEN
SIGNING UP!**

Join us and celebrate our 2010 accomplishments and hear about what's coming up in 2011!

Meet the Community Police Officers and find out about the Graffiti Removal Program and the 600 Block of Northampton Street Project!

Weed & Seed Office 1201 Ferry Street, 1st Floor ~ Call us at 610-438-2680 ~ Email us at weedandseed@easton-pa.gov
Feel free to contact us 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 click on Weed & Seed. You can also become a FAN on FACEBOOK!!



COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR CHILDREN, INC.
610-437-6000 Ext. 2351 ask for Gloria

Early Head Start services now in Easton!
In home program for pregnant moms and infants!

Don't Delay, Apply Today!
At www.cscinc.org or
1520 Hanover Avenue, Allentown, PA 18109

Educational Programs Prenatal to 5 Years Old



The Northampton Dental Initiative is now accepting appointments for **free dental care** from all Northampton County residents who meet the programs financial criteria. Appointments are available for individuals, children, families and seniors living in Northampton County who have Medical Assistance or who have no dental insurance. This program is made possible by the Two Rivers Health & Wellness Foundation. Dental services offered include, exams, cleanings, fillings, extractions, sealants, and x-rays. Services are provided by registered dentist and hygienist and each qualified patient is eligible to receive up to \$500 in services. Appointments are now being accepted. Call toll free for your appointment at 1-866-903-9104.



CARENET[®] Of the Lehigh Valley

Pregnancy Resource Center
Free Pregnancy Tests - Options Information
Parenting and Life Skills Classes
Serving men, women, & youth

All services are free and confidential.

1101 Northampton St., Ste. 202, Easton 610-559-9327

www.carenetlv.org

24-Hour crisis pregnancy support 1-800-395-HELP

Family Connection is hosting a health insurance sign up event for families of children in the Easton Area School District on Monday November 15th from 6 to 8:00 p.m. at Paxinosa Elementary School.

Representatives from Capital Blue Cross, Highmark Blue Shield, Aetna, and the PA Dept. of Public Welfare will be available to help families apply for CHIP and/or Medicaid. Dinner and childcare will be provided.

For more information or to register call Lisa Bedoya at (610) 250-2551 ext. 24323.

IN ORDER TO ATTEND THIS EVENT, YOU MUST REGISTER BEFOREHAND!

CARENET[®] Of the Lehigh Valley

- ★ Preschool Arts- Mon. & Wed. 4:30-6pm ~ Preschool
- ★ Dance Class- Mon. 5-6pm ~ Adult Dance Class- Mon. 6-7pm ~ Held at Legacy Ministries, 120 S. 12th St.
- ★ For more info please call Donna Ruggiero at 610-217-8396



Healthy Birth

Healthy Baby

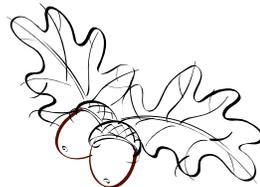
Healthy Family



Call NOW!

610-437-6000

Give your baby an Early Head Start in life!



All My Children Daycare, located at 1201 Butler Street, now has **extended childcare for 2nd shift, 3pm-11pm** and offers FREE REGISTRATION! Experienced staff, comfortable & cozy sleeping cots, keystone star participant. *We are also looking for experienced teachers to work shifts.* Call 610-559-7066 ask for Neila.

The Easton Area School District has established an ANONYMOUS SAFETY HOTLINE 610-250-2400 X35411 for the purpose of reporting any safety concerns which may jeopardize the safety of staff or students.



WAY TO GO PAXINOSA!



On behalf of the students, teachers and staff members, we are extremely pleased to announce that Paxinosa Elementary School has been recognized by the Department of Education as a top Title I school in the state of Pennsylvania. As a direct result, we have been extended a very high honor. We have been nominated to represent the state of Pennsylvania as a "National Title I Distinguished School" in a conference that will be held in Florida. Please review the highlighted features of our school's educational programs and partnerships that have contributed to our school's success.

Of the research-based programs that contribute to our school's success, the greatest has to do with our school's core research-based reading (Scott-Foresman) and math programs (McGraw Hill) along with our instructional interventions that are also research based (Wilson Reading Program, Foundations Reading Program, Sunday Reading Program, Early Reading Intervention Kit, FAST Math research program, Study Island Math Program, Math Counts and Math 24) and multiple assessments (Math and Reading 4Sight Assessments, DIBELS Reading Assessments, DRA Reading Assessments, Quarterly Math Assessments, Dedicated Diagnostic: Formative and Summative testing in the area of Math, as well as dedicated Fluency Testing).

The opportunities we provide for all students to achieve are concentrated within the above research based program i.e. the Core Literacy, Math and Intervention Programs, ELL monitoring through "Avenues" which is published through Hampton Brown Co., Learning Support students through the implementation of their I.E.P.s in the Least Restrictive Environment, and Intervention Groups through Title I Reading and Math services. The Title I Math and Reading programs are coordinated with other school programs within each grade levels classroom's section. For instance, the Core Reading and Math areas are integrated with Cross-Curricular activities that include, but not limited to, Science and Social Studies. Also, extreme care is considered within the schedules of students and resource staff members to maximize the full compliment of services that can be provided to students in an instructional setting throughout the year. Therefore, the instructional areas of Reading, Math, Science, Social Studies, Library, Art, Music, Health, Physical Education, English Language Learners (ELL) services and Gifted student services are coordinated accordingly with appropriate staff members to meet the vast needs of our students.

Professional Development has been highly focused on Elements of Effective Instruction (E.E.I), Standards Aligned Systems (S.A.S.), Differentiated Instruction within all curricular areas in every instructional setting through a Research Based Program that is reflective in Reading, Math, Science, Social Studies, ELL services, Reading Support services, Math Support services, and Learning Support Services through the use of the Response to Instruction and Intervention (RtII) services with the appropriate integration of Technology. The established partnerships with parents, families and community agencies are reflected through our Title I Math and Reading evening programs, ELL family night activities, Science Fair, Math Night, Reading Night, PTA sponsored activities (Family Literacy Movie Night, Book Sales and Book Fair, Recognition for Educational Advancement i.e. College Scholarships, and Enriching Educational Experiences that include Field Trips and Assembly Programs) the Kellyn Foundation and "Weller Health Centers" Bullying Programs, Dental Health and Nutrition outreach efforts, the Weed and Seed's Child Safety - No Phone Zone initiative, "Family Connection" support Services that is based within Paxinosa Elementary School that includes the Pre-Kindergarten and Head Start Early Math and Literacy Development Programs and Early Intervention Skill Development Programs for incoming Kindergarten students and "ProJeCt" of Easton's Summer Sizzle Educational Program in the maintenance of Math and Literacy skills and the school based Pre-Kindergarten program for identified "at-risk" incoming Kindergarten students. Also, we would like to thank our community of supporters who may not have been specifically mentioned within this narrative, but greatly contributed to the academic success of our students. With everyone's unyielding support, we will continue to strive forward on the path of excellence. Once again, thank you for applauding the efforts of our students.

Respectfully,
David Hightower
Principal

Respectfully,
Hector Bonilla
Assistant Principal

Family YMCA To Provide Child Care During Paxinosa PTA Meetings

Paxinosa PTA meetings are scheduled every 2nd Wednesday of the month 6:30pm-7:30pm and are located at 1221 Northampton Street, Easton, PA. *Child care will be provided for children ages 6 months through age 12 at no cost.*

For more information on child care for Paxinosa PTA meetings, please contact Adlin Rodriguez, Child Watch Working Coordinator, at 610-258-6158 ext. 23 or adlin@familyymca.org.



It's not too late!!!

Join Paxinosa Elementary School's PTA!

Help support the children in your community. The cost for a membership is \$6.00. This money helps to fund field trips and school programs for our children.

PTA meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month at 6:30 PM in the cafeteria. Come on out and hear about the great things that our children are doing! This will also give you the opportunity to get involved in school activities.

To join, please fill out the form below, and return it to school with \$6.00.

Thank you!
Paxinosa PTA

Name _____

Phone Number _____ email _____

Child's Name _____

Grade Level _____ Teacher _____



EASTON AREA COMMUNITY CENTER
"Home of the SAINTS"
 2010-2011

Basketball

WINTER SPORTS SIGN-UPS!

Sign up from 3:00 – 7:00 PM Monday -Friday

*Basketball: Boys / Girls ages 5 to 16 (age by 9/1/10)

*Cheering: Girls ages 6-12

(First timers for basketball 9 years and up must provide copy of birth certificate for league)

EACC Sports fee - \$20.00

6 month membership - \$25 (season)

12 month membership – \$50

Saint's Wrestling!!

Wrestling \$5.00

Boys/Girls grades K-6

(Must provide copy of birth certificate for first timers)

For more information, please contact:

EACC

901 Washington Street, Easton, PA. 18042

Phone: (610) 253- 8271 ~ Email: saints1@ptd.net

Cheering



The Boys & Girls Club of Easton /The Easton Teen Center

is accepting open enrolments for all youth, ages 5-18 years, interested in the after-school 5 core program areas of Arts, Education & Career Development, Sports Fitness & Recreation, Health & Life Skills and Character & Leadership Development.

Register now for the 2010-2011 Basketball League. Register for College Tours & Campus Visits. Skaters & cyclists - get involved in the 'Easton Skaters Stay Off the Street Club!'

For more information check out the Club's web site at www.eastonpabgc.org, call the club at 610 253 5846, or email stars@fast.net.

GREAT FUTURES START HERE!



Employment Opportunities

All My Children Daycare is looking for experienced teachers to work shifts. Call 610-559-7066

Easton Area Community Center, 901 Washington Street in Easton, is taking applications for a Part-time Program Aide. Must be enthusiastic and enjoy working with children ages 5+ ! 20 hours per week. Applicant must be at least 18 years of age. Must submit to and pass Criminal Background and Child Abuse checks for employment.

For more information, please contact EACC at 610.253.8271 or saints1@ptd.net.

EMPLOYERS: Post your employment needs here...It's FREE! Email your information to weedandseed@easton-pa.gov.



On behalf of Easton Weed & Seed we'd like to wish you and your family a very happy, healthy and safe holiday!

SAVE THE DATE

November 18, 2010 - Spaghetti Dinner/Annual Weed & Seed Meeting 5-7 pm at the Easton Area Community Center.

December 9, 2010 - Pizza with Santa at Paxinosa Elementary School from 5-7 pm.

December 28-29-30, 2010— Babysitter Plus Training 9-2:30 pm at the Weed & Seed office. Look for registration information in the December 2010 West Ward Mosaic.



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

AID Team

AID Meets 1st Thursday (November 4, 2010) at 4:00 p.m.
Weed & Seed office at 1201 Ferry Street
Chair - Lori Metz 610-258-6158 x22
lori@familyymca.org

Community Policing (Safety)

Meets 3rd Thursday (November 18, 2010)
NOTE* MUST register for FREE Dinner and Meeting. SEE FRONT COVER!
Chair - Lt. J. Remaley 610-250-6752
jremaley@easton-pa.gov

Prevention, Intervention & Treatment (PIT)

Meets 2nd Monday (November 8, 2010) at 3:30 p.m.
Easton Area Public Library
Chair - Louella Morris 610-438-2680
lmorrisweedandseed@verizon.net

Easton Area Violence Prevention Task Force

Meets 2nd Tuesday (November 9, 2010) at 3:30 p.m.
St. John Lutheran Church at 4th & Ferry Streets
Chair - Pastor Sue Ruggles
eavptf@gmail.com

Neighborhood Restoration

Wednesday November 17, 2010 at 6 PM
LOCATION TBD

Call Weed & Seed Office for location
mfleck@easton-pa.gov

For additional information contact
Laura Accetta, Site Coordinator at (610) 438-2680 or
laccetta@easton-pa.gov



Through volunteering,
donating or collaborating...

Kudos

To all those involved in making Summer
Nights 2010 a HUGE success!!

PLEASE NOTE: This list is in addition to the list that was in the October Mosaic. We apologize that these names were missed.

Samantha
Kim Solis
Julia Pickenpack
Katie Davis
Rachael Bauchspies
Caity Vogt
Megan Bauchspies
Angelica Vasquez
Wendy Bonstein
Mercy Faulkner
Sharon Groff
Katie Loane
Lynette Pongut

Jasmine Lewis
Charlie Bubak
Craig Voliouf
Joey Kilpatrick
Lynn Amatore
Bob Bergem
Judy Turlington
Mr. & Mrs. DeBona
Frances Goode-Rivera
Curto
Easton BlockWatch

Children's Home of Easton
De Sales University Students
Eastern Academy/Dr.O
Easton Area Community Center
Easton Area Neighborhood Center
Easton Area School District
Easton Area Violence Prevention Task Force
Freehand Murals
Girl Scouts of the Lehigh Valley
Greener Pastures Ministries
Easton Chapter Guardian Angels

MCS Industries
PAL-Police Athletics League
ProJeCT of Easton
Rita's Italian Water Ice of Palmer
TD Bank
Numerous West Ward Residents

...and anyone else we may have missed!!