



Community Update

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Avalon Golf & Country Club



Avalon Golf & Country Club

Open and Accepting New Members

Avalon Golf and Country Club has completed the 13 million dollar reno-

vation project to the former Sharon Country Club and it is being lauded by all who see it as one of the most spectacular structures they have seen anywhere. The new facility is far more than a traditional country club and has already become a "community resort" right here in our members back yard.

With swimming pools, cabanas, tennis, golf courses, fitness centers, a salon and spa, banquet facilities, three restaurants, live entertainment, and parties galore, Avalon has it all!

The new clubhouse at Buhl contains three restaurants, each with unique décor and themes allowing members and guests to experience different dining atmospheres. The more upscale area called "Bogar's" was designed and decorated to have the look and feel of a 1940's New York style steakhouse; "The Havana Room" has a more casual grille room feel; and the third and most casual, "Shades", located next to the resort style pool, has a fun party atmosphere with a great sound system, 4 large screen televisions and the largest bar in The Club.

The pool area, large enough for around 250 sunbathers, contains two pools; a large free form pool and a smaller kiddies' pool. Both pools are heated with the latest state-of-the-art heating

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Information Resource Technology, Inc.

Information Resource Technology, Inc. (IRT) is a Wexford, PA based software developer that has had offices in the Shenango Valley area for over 20 years - the last 15 of which have been in the City of Hermitage. IRT provides software products and services to book selling retailers, as well as, to the book publishing community. Recently IRT moved into their new facility in the LindenPointe Innovative Business Campus.

IRT's primary products are Point of Purchase software tools that enable the retail stores to efficiently conduct sales activity. This suite of software programs also enables the retailer to maintain accurate inventory positions and reorder stock in an intelligent and timely manner. Client retailers exist all over the US as well as the UK, Australia and Pacific Rim countries. Besides the Wexford, PA and Hermitage, PA offices, IRT maintains an office in San Francisco, CA.

IRT also provides a sales data collection software service for book publishers in the US and Canada. Sales data is collected weekly at the Hermitage office from

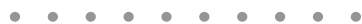
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system, which will allow the pools to remain open well into the fall season. The kid's pool is complete with toys for the kids and a water umbrella that's sure to keep the little ones happy for hours.

One of the more unique aspects of Avalon's new facility is the four private loges found at the far end of the pool. The largest of these is available for members to use for private events such as kid's birthday parties, and the other three are now available for annual lease.

Looking over the outdoor resort area is Avalon's new banquet facility. This facility has a very elegant atmosphere for weddings and other formal events, but can quickly be converted to a "sports bar" or "night club" theme. Amenities include 3 large screen high-definition monitors (the largest measuring an unbelievable 14-feet), a large bar and space for over 400 guests.

The 18-hole golf course at Sharon Country Club was always thought of as one of Western Pennsylvania's best, but after Avalon took over the course it's becoming even better. The golf experience at Avalon's Buhl facility is completed by a full service golf shop where members pay only 15% over cost for all merchandise and an indoor golf practice area.

For those looking for fitness and spa amenities, Avalon's Buhl facility is truly the area's finest including the most state-of-the-art fitness equipment, a separate free weight room, rooms for pilates, yoga, and spinning, and believe it or not, child care is available. The salon area is located just off the fitness room offering hair styling, manicures, pedicures, and massage therapy. Tanning beds are also available for members.

For members who would like to experience the beauty of Buhl Park on a bike, the Club now has a fleet of bicycles available that members may sign out at no charge for a ride in the park. Also included in the new clubhouse is a cigar lounge with an air filtration system, private meeting rooms, and locker rooms for men and women both including steam and sauna rooms and a wine room for 1500 bottles of wine.

Avalon has a number of affordable membership plans that are designed to fit just about anyone's budget. They provide members with numerous activities including, access to indoor and outdoor tennis, two pool areas, two fitness facilities, dining and club parties. Golf memberships provide the



member with all the social benefits plus access to the three Avalon golf courses.

This Avalon facility at Buhl Park is truly one of the finest and most unique facilities in the world, and it's located right here in our back yard. Also, it is only one of the three facilities under the Avalon umbrella. All members of Avalon have access to not only this new location at Buhl Park, but also its other two facilities: The Avalon Lake facility in Howland, and the Squaw Creek facility in Vienna. Both are a short 20 minute drive from Hermitage.

Applications and rate structures are available at all 3 locations, the Club's website (www.avalonlakes.com), or call Jeff Shaffer, the Club's Membership Director, at 330-856-8410 with questions or to arrange for a personal tour of The Club.

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thousands of retail locations in the US and Canada. This product, which provides publishers access to the aggregated sales data over a secure web connection, requires IRT to maintain fast and reliable Internet availability.

IRT President David Walton commented on the move to LindenPointe, "We had to either find new offices in the

Hermitage area or relocate the operation to our Wexford, PA, or alternatively, our San Francisco offices. Our local landlord, though extremely accommodating, needed the space we were occupying. After considering all options on a regional and national basis, as well as, the available lease space, we quickly decided that having our own building in LindenPointe was preferable. With our dependence on our reliable web access, we wanted to have the facility under our control."

Working with the City of Hermitage and the Shenango Valley Enterprise Zone Corporation (SVEZC) a suitable arrangement was worked out that enabled IRT to construct new offices in LindenPointe at a reasonable cost. Said Walton,

"Everyone was very cooperative. The project couldn't have been done without the help of all involved. This building, and the new high technology environment the City is building, should enable us to become a permanent part of the community and enable our business to thrive."

James Cardamon, SVEZC Coordinator, lauds the project as an example of the SVEZC partnership success. He said, "The project is the economic development system at work...the zone is proud to collaborate on a project of this nature to provide IRT the necessary assistance to develop quality employment opportunities for the area residents".



From the Chief

ATVs—Safety and the Law

In the spring and summer months the Police

Department receives an increase in the number of complaints concerning ATVs being ridden on private property and on public roads. It is illegal to ride an ATV on private property without the permission of the land owner and it is also illegal to operate an ATV on any public street or highway unless the highway is designated and posted as an ATV road. Currently there are no roads within City Limits designated as ATV roads. **An ATV is permitted to cross a street or two-lane highway under the following conditions:**

- The crossing is made at an angle of approximately 90 degrees to the direction of the highway and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing.
- The ATV is brought to a complete stop before crossing the highway. The driver yields the right-of-way to all oncoming traffic that constitutes an immediate hazard.
- The crossing of a divided highway is made at an intersection of that highway with another street or highway.

It is prohibited for a child under 16 years of age* to:

- Operate anywhere other than land owned or leased by a parent or guardian unless the child has a valid safety certificate or is under the direct supervision of a certified instructor during a certified safety training course.
- Operate across highways or connecting streets or operate on State Park or State Forest roads designated for joint use (by both motor vehicles and snowmobiles or ATVs) unless the child has a valid safety certificate and is under the direct supervision of a person 18 years of age or older.
- Drive on state or local highways, roads or streets designated for joint use.

*A child under 8 is not eligible for a safety certificate and is prohibited from operating anywhere except private property.

Riding on a public street or road would be in violation of the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code and the operator and or owner of the ATV could be charged with a number of traffic code offenses to include, driver license violations, vehicle registration violations, vehicle equipment violations, among others. If a parent is permitting their child to ride the ATV on

the street they could also be charged with the same violations for permitting the illegal operation.

When operating on private property without permission the ATV operator and or ATV owner can be charged with Trespass by Motor Vehicle in addition to a criminal charge of Criminal Mischief for the damage done to the property.

While riding your ATV you must carry with you or on the vehicle:

- Certificate of registration
- Proof of liability insurance
- Registration plate affixed to the vehicle
- Expiration stickers (does not apply to limited registration)
- Valid safety certificate (ages 8 -15 if riding off of parent's or guardian's property)

The Police Department has investigated a number of serious ATV accidents and often the cause is a result of young riders riding on property without the land owner's permission, being unfamiliar with the property, riding at unreasonable speeds for the conditions, and other careless operation contributes to the accident. The Police Department advocates riding safely, obeying the law and respecting the property of others.



Annual Fireworks is a Blast!

The 2nd Annual Fireworks Extravaganza

is fast becoming a Hermitage tradition. The event was a huge success with many residents coming out to enjoy the band as well as a relaxing evening with family and friends. Second Avenue Project entertained the crowd while local food vendors served up their best dishes.

The Hermitage Business Association

is proud to be a sponsor of this wonderful and successful event and would like to take this opportunity to thank Karen Reed of Ad Specs and Kevin McDermott of Minuteman Press for their efforts in co-chairing the Fireworks Extravaganza Committee and the City of Hermitage for all of their support and assistance. We would also like to thank our many sponsors for their generous contributions. Without each and every one of you, this event would not have been possible.

Special thanks to our gold sponsors: Ad Specs, Bob Evans, City of Hermitage, Erme's, First National Bank, Hermitage Business Association, The Hudson Group, Inc, Huntington Bank, Mercer County Community Federal Credit Union, Minuteman Press, National City, Pyrotecnico, and Wal-Mart.

We look forward to another wonderful event next July 3rd and hope to see you there!

From Harrisburg ♦ ♦ ♦



Working to protect Penn's Woods

A Column by Senator Bob Robbins

Pennsylvanians are fortunate to enjoy a variety of beautiful natural resources and wonderful recreational opportunities. With 116 state parks, countless recreation areas and more than four million acres of public lands and waters, Pennsylvania offers countless adventures for hikers, bikers, boaters, fishers, hunters and other outdoors enthusiasts.

Therefore, one of the basic responsibilities we have as legislators is to continue the efforts to protect our environment, especially our open spaces, wetlands and watershed areas.

Over the past decade, the Senate has passed tough laws to crack down on polluters, while significantly increasing funding for important environmental programs that will protect our air, land and water. Through these efforts, we have made major headway in addressing serious environmental concerns and ensuring that our state has the tools and resources to ensure clean air, land and

water and preserve open space for state residents.

In 1999, the Senate approved the largest environmental investment in Pennsylvania's history: the \$645 million Growing Greener environmental initiative. Act 68 provided funding to clean up abandoned mines and restore watersheds, protect open space, reduce the maintenance backlog in state parks, and provide new and upgraded water and sewer systems. In 2002, Act 90 was passed which extended Growing Greener into a 13-year, \$1.24 billion program. In addition, we recently passed three bills that further our efforts to protect our environment and improve the quality of life for the residents of Penn's Woods.

Special Session Senate Bill 1 would invest \$650 million over the next 10 years in consumer energy programs, energy conservation, and the development of alternative and renewable energy. This bill would also help municipalities and businesses implement clean-energy projects, and provide assistance to consumers to cover up to 25 percent of the cost to install energy-saving equipment.

Along the same lines, Senate Bill 266 directs Pennsylvania's response to

global warming and greenhouse gas emissions. The bill would create a stakeholders group to advise the state on global warming issues and identify green economic opportunities in Pennsylvania. It would provide a framework for the Commonwealth and its citizens to better understand the potential impact and consequences of climate change, develop an action plan to best respond and to take advantage of economic opportunities that may be created.

And, on June 11, the Senate approved Senate Bill 2, also known as H2O PA. This proposal would provide \$800 million in funding for critical water and sewer projects, storm water projects, flood control projects, and high-hazard dam repairs. This funding program would cover projects throughout Pennsylvania, with first priority given to those involving consolidation and second priority given to those involving regional projects.

To learn more about what the state Senate is doing to clean up our environment, go to the website www.senaterepublicannews.com and click on "Environment & Energy" under "Issues," or you may contact me through my website at www.senatorrobbins.com.



Buhl Day on Labor Day

"Picnic in the Park" • Sept. 1, 2008 • Parade 9:00 am

- Highlights:** Opening Ceremonies • Music & Entertainment
 Children's Games & Activities • Petting Zoo & Pony Rides - Shelter 3
 Buhl Mermaids • "Pinocchio" Puppet Show • Juried Art Show Display Building
 Classic Car Cruise-In • U.S. Army Reserve Unit Vehicle Display

**Food
Fun
Festivities**

◆ ◆ ◆ To Hermitage

Working for the Valley

From the office of State Representative Mark Longietti

As your State Representative, I want you to be aware of programs that are available to you and your family through our state government. My local constituent service office is a great resource for you to obtain information on these programs, to answer questions and to provide help. The office is located in the upper level of the Valley Professional Center at 2213 Shenango Valley Freeway, Unit 2-E, Hermitage, which is across the Freeway from Kennedy Catholic High School. An access road is located on Buhl Farm Drive near the driveway to Reed and Reed Accounting, and you should follow that access road beyond the Solar Professional Building and to the far end of Valley Professional Center to reach the entrance to my office. Office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for holidays. The office can be reached by telephone at 724-981-4655. Brenda Tomko and Lori Bertolasio staff my local office and they have over 38 years of combined experience in helping constituents with their needs and concerns. They are ready to serve you.

Perhaps the most popular program this year has been the Property Tax and Rent Rebate Program. This program provides a rebate to homeowners and

renters that are either 65 years old or older; or 50 years old and older that are widowed; or 18 years old or older that are disabled. Household income must be \$35,000 or less for homeowners and \$15,000 or less for renters, but only one-half of Social Security benefits are counted as income. Applications for the 2007 tax year will be available at my local office in late February.

Pennsylvania also has an excellent prescription drug program for lower income senior citizens. There are two levels of coverage called PACE and PACENET. A senior that is single with an income of less than \$14,500 or a married couple with a combined income of less than \$17,700 is eligible for PACE, which offers prescription benefits with a co-pay of \$6 for generic drugs and \$9 for brand name drugs. PACE also pays your monthly Medicare Part D premium and it covers you if you reach the "donut hole" for Medicare Part D. PACENET provides coverage for single seniors with total income between \$14,500 and \$23,500 and married seniors with income between \$17,700 and \$31,500. It provides prescription benefits with a co-pay of \$8 for generic drugs and \$15 for brand name drugs. You pay your monthly Medicare Part D premium each month directly to your Plan, under



PACENET.

Finally, I want to make families aware of a program available through the Pennsylvania Ski Areas Association.

Fourth Grade Snow Pass provides a free ski or ride pass to 4th Grade students for all 22 participating areas in Pennsylvania, including Hidden Valley and Seven Springs. An application must be filled out and mailed in with a copy of the child's 4th Grade report card, a 2" x 1-1/2" color photo and a \$15 processing fee. The Snow Pass booklet includes one free learn to ski/board package (beginner lift, lesson & rental equipment) and three free lift ticket coupons. Also, program applications are available at my office.

Please know that in the case of these and other programs, my office is available to provide you with information, answer questions and assist you.

Also know that you can connect with me through the web at www.pahouse.com/longietti or e-mail me at mlongietti@pahouse.net.

Community Library of the Shenango Valley



**Hermitage
residents receive
FREE library cards!!!**

Community Development Benefits



Robert R. Beach, M.Ed.
Chief Executive Officer

Serving persons with cognitive and physical disabilities since 1952.

June 21, 2008

Mr. Gary Hinkson
The City of Hermitage
800 N. Hermitage Road
Hermitage, PA 16148



Vocational Habilitation
MCAR Greenhouse
Subcontract Employment
Custom Pallet Building
Furniture Refinishing
Janitorial Services
Job Task Training

Community Employment
Job Placement
Job Support

Continuing Education
Social Skills Building
Daily Living Skills
Transitional Programs

Residential Habilitation
Social and Recreational Activities
Supervised Travel/Tours
Camping

Residential Services
Group Homes
Medical Support Home
Family Living
Supportive Living
Respite Care

Habilitation Aid
Retirement Program
In Support
In Service
Or Service

Services
Summer Camp
Advocacy



Dear Mr. Hinkson,
On behalf of MCAR, I would like to thank you and the City of Hermitage for awarding us Community Development Block Grant funding to help refurbish our facilities. The importance and value of this award cannot be understated; without it, the people we serve would not be able to enjoy the quality of care and services MCAR offers.

Dealing with the daily needs of over 180 individuals with disabilities, MCAR and staff focus our efforts and financial resources on providing better services and programs. Because of this, we sometimes overlook or do not have the financial capabilities to improve our bricks and mortar facilities beyond general upkeep. The building used every day by hundreds of individuals is now 40-years old, with many original fixtures still in use.

One of these decades-old fixtures was a gas-stove vent hood in our kitchen, for which Fire Marshal Robert Goeltz had recommended replacing to comply with new fire safety regulations. The CDBG funding we received from the City of Hermitage allowed us to replace this hood with a new, larger stainless steel one.

Another improvement needed was the reconstruction of the metal posts holding up the porticos at the front and back of our main facility. These rusted posts needed to be replaced for safety reasons, as they support the overhead cover protecting the entrance to the building. In addition, the stainless steel corner guards throughout the facility needed to be replaced as a safety feature. The funding you gave us paid to have these improvements completed.

These improvements are significant not only to our facilities but also to the people we serve. Our kitchen is used to prepare and provide hot meals every day. The kitchen also provides training opportunities and employment to a number of our individuals. Offering training and work opportunities for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities is part of the mission of our organization. We strive to help this special population develop and reach their full potential. The improvements made to our structure because of your funding will help these people learn the kitchen skills needed for jobs in the community. In this way, you have contributed to their growth as people and as contributing members of society.

Thank you again for supporting MCAR and our mission. Thank you, too, for helping to provide people—some of the most vulnerable in our community—with a better, safer environment in which to work, learn, and socialize.

Sincerely,

Leslie Powell

Leslie Powell
Assistant Director of Education Advocacy and Day Services



A United Way Agency • MH/MR funded through Behavioral Health

Numerous Programs and Activities. . .

Gary Gulla Recognized for Community Development Achievements

On April 28, 2008, Gary Gulla, Assistant City Manager, was presented the prestigious C. Riley Stoy Award for Community Development at the Pennsylvania Community Development and Housing Conference in State College, Pa. The award annually recognizes practitioners in the community development and housing field who exemplify high standards in planning and managing projects using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in areas of housing and infrastructure. Other criteria include the use of innovative

and creative partnerships with service providers to assist those agencies serving low and moderate income persons, and development of cooperation agreements with other municipalities to deliver services in a cost effective manner.

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From left: Donna Enrico, Division Chief, Community Development Operations, Department of Community & Economic Development (DCED); Ray Bender, DCED Advisory Committee Chairman; Gary Gulla; Jolyn Stoy; Ed Geiger, Director, Center for Community Development, DCED



New for 2008: The First Tee of Sharon and the Hermitage Parks & Recreation have joined forces to offer golf lessons to Hermitage residents.



A Patagonia resident enjoys neighborhood improvements thanks to CDBG Funds.



CDBG Funds were used at Orange Village to construct a facility where residents meet daily to enjoy summer and after school programs.



City of Hermitage Community Night with the Indians



Indian Baseball Game

• **Detroit Tigers @ The Indians**
Tuesday, July 29

Includes lower level box seating & deluxe motor coach transportation.

Bus leaves the Hermitage City Building at 4:30 pm

Total due

of Tickets _____ at \$52.00 ea. = \$ _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Check or Money Order Payable to CITY OF HERMITAGE

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Day Phone: () _____

Email: _____

For more information call 724-981-0800 or www.hermitage.net

City of Hermitage Pittsburgh Theater Bus Trip



“The Jersey Boys”
at The Benedum in Pittsburgh
Sunday, January 11, 2009 • 1:00 Matinee

Includes orchestra level seats and deluxe motor coach transportation. We will not be stopping to eat before the performance.

Bus leaves the Hermitage City Building at 11:00 am returning 5:30 pm

Total due

of Tickets _____ at \$105.00 ea. = \$ _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Check or Money Order Payable to CITY OF HERMITAGE

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Day Phone: () _____

Email: _____

For more information call 724-981-0800 or www.hermitage.net

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The City of Hermitage, a state entitlement city eligible for CDBG funding, over the past 12 years has successfully implemented \$6.3M of CDBG program activities with an emphasis on neighborhood public facilities and infrastructure improvements (\$2.5M) and housing rehabilitation (\$2.3M). Examples of these types of projects and partnerships are:

- Patagonia Neighborhood Public Facilities and Improvement Program – the qualified area is bounded by the PA-OH state line, the Hermitage Sharon city line, North Water Avenue and Orangeville Road. In addition to major street and storm water improvements, the City participated

in partnership projects such as the Orange Village Housing Community Recreation Center and the Patagonia Volunteer Fire Department Public Safety/Emergency Shelter Project.

- MCAR Adult Training Facility projects focused on rehabilitating MCAR buildings used for the training of clients to enable them to work and live independently.
- Assistance with various facility projects to assist elderly clientele of the Mercer County Housing Authority and the Mercer County Area Agency on Aging.
- Innovative partnerships with the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission to provide housing

rehabilitation for qualified residents of the Borough of Wheatland as well as the Lawrence County Community Action Partnership as part of the Northwest Pennsylvania Regional Lead Hazard Control Program.

City Manager Gary Hinkson commented “This is a well deserved honor and great recognition for Gary, our staff and the City. Gary’s efforts in promoting cost effective, efficient delivery of services, coordinating staff, working with other agencies and developing innovative strategies has enabled Hermitage to maximize its community development initiatives to the benefit of those who receive services.”

From the Fire Marshal

Robert Goeltz



Residential Debris Burning

It is that time of year when the fire department and public safety forces receive burning complaints and inquiries on the applicable City of Hermitage Rules and Regulations. (These come from City Ordinances 6-76 and 7-76 enacted under the International Fire Code—dated 12-2005.)

A summary of the burning rules are:

1. Household waste material of non-toxic nature may be burned in an appropriate container between the hours of 6:00 AM-12:00 noon Mon. thru Sat. Open burning may occur between the hours of 6:00 AM -6:00 PM if the fire location is 300 feet from any occupied building. All fires must be attended, with no open flames, or smoldering fires, permitted after 6:00 PM. No open burning is permitted on any legal holiday or Sundays.
2. Material that may be burned is limited to "Ordinary Class A Debris" such as wood and paper products.
3. Prohibited burning materials are any products that generate noxious

odors, such as food waste products, garbage, trash, plastics, or items that create heavy smoke. The burning of leaves and grass clippings is specifically prohibited, as well as any fire condition that creates a neighborhood nuisance or a public health, welfare, or safety hazard.

4. Out of hours Burning Permits may be requested for yard cleanup and are issued at the discretion of the fire department. However, no permits will be issued for Sunday or holiday debris burning.
5. Property and land clearing, or what is termed land grubbing for development or property improvements, require the issuance of a special burning permit by the fire department. The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection controls rules and regulations for such burning.
6. Recreational and camp fires for outdoor cooking and family events may occur without a permit provided the fire is supervised by the property

owner, is controlled, and does not create a neighborhood

nuisance, or public health, welfare, or safety hazard.

When burning debris consider the smoke and odor nuisance your fire may be creating for the neighborhood. You also may have neighbors respiratory conditions or allergies, which can be aggravated by heavy smoke.

Our city has an excellent solid waste collection system. The best method for solid waste disposal is to place burnable material in your waste disposal tote or collection bag for pickup. Doing so improves our environment by eliminating a fire potential and health hazard.

To file a complaint about violations, notify public safety forces at the time the burning violation occurs. The violation must be seen by the responding public safety officer for enforcement action to occur.

From the Desk of the Treasurer

School Real Estate and Per Capita Bills Mail Date

August 1st is the mail date for both your School Real Estate and Per Capita bills. It is your responsibility to notify the City in the event you do not receive them.

Per Capita is a head tax, waged on every resident over the age of 18 and this year remains at \$35.00. There are exemptions (based on income from all sources) available to those who qualify. Upon receipt of your Per Capita bill, all proof of income must be brought into our office, and a form filled out and signed by the person to be exempt. This process must be followed each year.

School Real Estate taxes will remain

the same as last year at 59 mills. Also, the State has allocated \$460,208.26 for the Homestead/Farmstead approved parcels. This money will be divided evenly among our 4,648 Homestead and 8 Farmstead approved properties. This equates to \$98.88 per parcel for this year. This amount will show up as a credit on your School tax bill. The Homestead/Farmstead Act also offers those approved, 4 equal payments to satisfy their School tax only. Certain rules apply to these payments and they are explained on your bill.

Also the deadline for the tax rebate

through the State has been extended to December 15th. If you qualify and have not already done so, please check with your tax preparer.

We are working to change the look of future bills, and are hopeful to begin with the August 1st School Real Estate bill. The planned bill will be a folded and sealed form with tear off ends. Soon all taxes will be formatted in this manner, which will be a more personal, private means of mailing.

If you have any questions, feel free to call our office at 724-347-4472, and we will be pleased to assist you.



Fall Instructional Baseball League

For players 9-15 (next year's Little League Age). Players will be placed onto teams according to their age and skill level (9-10), (11-12), and (13-14)

Dates: September 7 through October 12, 2008
THERE WILL BE NO PRACTICES OR GAMES LABOR DAY WEEKEND. GAMES WILL BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH.

Location: Hermitage Little League Complex
Cost: \$25/child, \$50/family (2 or more players)
Contact: Ed Chess at 724-981-0800 for more info.



2008 HERMITAGE PARKS AND RECREATION FALL INSTRUCTIONAL BASEBALL LEAGUE REGISTRATION

Player's Name _____ Birth Date _____ Next Year's Playing Age _____
Street Address _____ Telephone _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
e-mail address _____

Shirt Size: (Circle Size) **Youth** or **Adult** **S** **M** **L** **XL**
Positions: (Circle all that apply) **Pitching** **Catching** **Infield** **Outfield**

Team Members: (if known) _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____
Address _____
Home Telephone _____ Business Telephone _____
Individual to call in case of an emergency and parents can't be reached:
Name _____ (Relationship) _____
Address _____ Telephone _____
Family Physician _____ Hospital _____
Hospitalization Insurance Carrier _____
ID Number _____ Group Number _____

Allergies: _____
Medications: _____

Other Specific Health Problems: (Ex: Diabetes, Seizure Disorders, Disabilities)

Condition	Normal Treatment
_____	_____
_____	_____

In case of a medical emergency, I/We, the Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of _____ authorize the director, instructor, aide, or supervisor of the Hermitage Parks and Recreation Program to seek medical treatment for _____, and release the City of Hermitage and the Hermitage School District from any liability regarding such injury or emergency.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date



July 19 & 20, 2008

Located at 800-900 North Hermitage Road, Hermitage on the grounds of the Hermitage Municipal Building and Rodney White Olympic Park

Saturday, July 19

10:00 am - 7:00 pm

Sunday, July 20

12:00 pm - 5:00 pm

PARTICIPATING ARTISTS

AT THE TIME OF NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION

- Laura Stuart-Smith** – “Miss Laura’s Creations” – pop bottle cap jewelry, beaded jewelry, decorative items
- Mary Fay Templeton** – watercolors
- Jennifer Cole** – “Jenn Cole Studios” – handcrafted sterling and glass jewelry
- Donna Little** – “dk studio” – Pewter, copper & brass jewelry
- Brock & Neina Morocco** – Spray paint artwork
- Mary Ann Detweiler** – Handmade baskets
- Susan Dexter** – Fiber art
- Walter Dolata** – “W D Studio” – unique handcrafted wood items carved from cedar
- Joanne DeMarco** – Jewelry
- Lynn Tommelleo** – “Common Scents Candle Co” – Handmade candles
- William Weese** – Decorative art
- Joseph & Jane Loedding** – Digital photography, paintings
- Carole Moberly** – “Carole’s Clay Creations” – Wearable art
- Jeffrey M. Staats** – Photography
- Scott Eklund** – Home & Fashion Accessories
- Judson Paknis** – Chair Massage
- Geri Ibanez** – Glass bead & pearl jewelry
- Janis Patterson** – Foot Massages
- Ladonna Ellenberger** – “Pheasantly Surprized” – Unique floral designs
- Ivy Fehervari** – “Ivy’s Blankets” – Handmade blankets

- Gordon Abernathy** – “Dragon’s Treasurers” – Handmade jewelry
- Susan Crisan** – “Sandpiper Soap Company” – Handmade soaps, lotions, shower gels....
- Marci Roepke-Applegate** – “Flybird Designs” – Handmade Jewelry from silver clay & fused dichroic glass.
- Patrick Hyland** – “Patrick Hyland Photography” – Canvas Transfer System Photography
- Marilyn Fredenburg** – Original Handbags/Bracelets
- Glenda Porterfield** – “Glenda’s Creations” – Handmade jewelry
- Kathie Richey** – “KatLou Mud Art” – Concrete leaves
- Marilyn Dewald** – “Marilyn Dewald Photography” – Photography/note cards
- Candace Miller-Stimpson** – “Her Father’s Eyes” – Handmade jewelry
- Christian Kuharik** – “Circle K Studio” – Handcrafted functional pottery
- Donna Bostardi** – “Moonlight Madness Jewelry” – Sterling Silver Jewelry
- Alane Jewel** – “Mama & Me” – Paintings, hand painted T-shirts, homemade soy candles & Belly Casts with a live demonstration on Saturday
- Tom Darby** – “T W Darby Photography” – Photography
- Phil Myers** – Paintings/Sculptures/Drawings
- Debbie Bair** – “ENVY Jewelry by Debbie Bair” - Jewelry



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**Artist's Market • Art Demonstrations
Live Music • Entertainment
Food Vendors**

Car Cruise-In: Sat. & Sun.
FIRST 30 CARS EACH DAY RECEIVE DASH PLAQUE
TROPHIES TO 1ST & 2ND PLACE
CHANCE TO WIN A \$50 GAS CARD

Children's Activities/Inflatables NO ADMISSION

Celebrating our 5th Year!

The Hermitage Arts Festival, now in its 5th year, will take place on July 19th & 20th. Festivities begin at 10:00 am on Saturday with a wide variety of artists selling their wares, plenty of children's activities including inflatables and delicious food.

Also back this year is the Friday night kickoff concert beginning at 7:00 pm on the 18th when "The RiverSaints" take the stage. Bring the family and enjoy a great evening of entertainment!

Saturday and Sunday are packed with great entertainment featuring some of the area's best bands along with a car cruise-in both days.

With rising gas prices why not spend the weekend in Hermitage enjoying all the Festival has to offer!

Entertainment

Friday, July 18

7:00 pm - RiverSaints

Saturday, July 19

12:00-12:30 pm - Young's Martial Arts

2:00-3:30 pm - Makin' Changes

4:00-5:30 pm - Maxx & Terry

6:00-7:30 pm - The Rhythm Nation

Sunday, July 20

1:00-1:45 pm - Madrigal Singers of the Shenango Valley Chorale

2:00-3:30 pm - Mitch Nassar

Contemporary Christian Music

4:00-5:30 pm - 2nd Avenue Project



Hermitage Elected Officials LEFT TO RIGHT

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