

TURBOTVILLE NEWS & HAPPENINGS

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**OFFICE HOURS: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 9:00a.m. to 2:00p.m. CLOSED Tuesday & Thursday
MAY 2024**

BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council Meetings: Business Meeting for Borough Council is **Monday, May 6th** at 7pm. Workshop meeting is **Monday, May 20th** at 7pm. Workshop meeting is a week early because Memorial Day is the last Monday. All Borough council meetings are at the Municipal Building on Broadway Street. The Public is welcome.

BOROUGH MAINTANCE PHONE NUMBER

570-464-7826

Direct line to the Borough worker

EMS Week Proclamation

50th Anniversary

To designate the Week of May 19 – 25, 2024, as

Emergency Medical Services Week

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services has grown to fill a gap by providing important, out of hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up care, and access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of emergency medical responders, emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency medical technicians, paramedics, prehospital registered nurses, prehospital physician extenders, prehospital EMS physicians, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police officers, educators, administrators, emergency department personnel, trained members of the public, and other out-of-hospital medical care providers; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage

in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; now

THEREFORE, I Benjamin Gilbert, Mayor of Turbotville Pennsylvania in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of May 19-25, 2014 as

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK

The 50th Anniversary of EMS Week theme is EMS WEEK: Honoring Our Past. Forging Our Future. I encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

Mayor - Benjamin E. Gilbert

SENATOR LYNDA CULVER

Senator Culver is opening a satellite office in Turbotville. Beginning on Friday, May 10th, Senator Culver's staff will be holding office hours at the Borough's Municipal building located at 267 Broadway Street on the second (2d) Friday of the month. Hours will be from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Walk-ins are welcomed by appointments are encouraged. Please call the Bloomsburg office at 570-784-3464 to schedule an appointment.

MEMORIAL DAY



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CHURCH NEWS

Holy Spirit Evangelical Lutheran Church

Worship at 9:00am each Sunday

Location: 10275 State Route 44, ¾ of a mile past McEwensville on the way to Turbotville

570-649-5822 Email; hseclturbotville@gmail.com

Here's what's happening at Holy Spirit this month!

We are getting our food trailers ready for the Turbotville Community Carnival the week on June 3rd. We'll have the Fresh Cut French Fries stand and our Famous Fish Sandwiches again this year.

Activity will start to ramp up for Kid's Café to get ready to start the summer lunch program. If you are interested in volunteering please call our office here at Holy Spirit at 570-649-5822.

Remember, you are always welcome at Holy Spirit.

Join us for worship any Sunday at 9:00 followed by a time of fellowship.

Trinity United Church of Christ

7 Church St. Turbotville Pastor Der

570-649-5040 info@trinityuccturbotville.org

10:30 am Sunday Morning Worship

WELCOME: Greetings to all!

COME AND JOIN US SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 10:30 FOR COFFEE, REFRESHMENTS AND TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD!

Members of Trinity UCC have been meeting in the Fellowship Hall downstairs. We have been doing this throughout the Winter months. We had our Congregational Luncheon and Meeting this past Sunday and it was voted to continue to have our worship services downstairs in our Fellowship Hall. Everyone seems to really enjoy the laid-back feeling while hearing the word of GOD.

As for news about our parking lot: Trinity UCC is in the process of finalizing the sale of the parking lot. In the near future, this property will be PRIVATE PROPERTY. Any parking to be allowed will be a decision between the new owner and anyone wishing to park there.

Starting in May, a group of members will start planning for our celebration of 50+ year members and also for our "200th" YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF TRINITY UCC, which will be in 2025!

Please come and join us at 10:30 Sundays for Coffee and the Word. All are welcome.

Stay tuned as new ideas and events are planned for 2024.

Pastor Doug will continue with worship service on Facebook. Hoping to keep everyone updated with prayer concerns and the word of GOD.

Please check us out at <http://www.trinityuccturbotville.org/>

Members continue to welcome new faces to our congregation, and we continue to help those in need in our area.

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Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

39 Paradise Street, Turbotville
(570) 649-5195
website:zionturbotville.com +
email:zionlc39@windstream.net

Wednesday Prayer Service 9:00 am + Saturday 6:00
pm + Sunday 8:00 and 10:30 am

Watch our Sunday 10:30 am livestream at
www.facebook.com/zionturbotville.

YouTube channel: Zion Turbotville

PROJECT LINUS BLANKET FELLOWSHIP Folks gather to knit, crochet, sew, and tie blankets; share their skills with others; and just enjoy time socializing. Blankets are donated to Project Linus, which provides blankets for children hospitalized in our local area. Meetings are on Sundays from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. in the Social Hall on the following dates: May 12, September 8, October 13, November 10. Bring a blanket project to work on or materials for a project if you would like some help getting started. There will be members who will help you. “Blanket Fellowship” is a come-as-you-are-able activity where we can have fun and get to know each other better as we help a great cause by making and donating blankets for children in need in our area.

By the end of 2023, the Chapter had distributed 2511 blankets to sick or traumatized children in local hospitals, emergency rooms, foster homes, and homeless shelters... anywhere there was a need. Zion’s Blanketeers were a big part of that effort. Let’s keep the momentum going!

JOLLY BUNCH Jolly Bunch is our Senior Citizen fellowship group. Please join the Jolly Bunch on May 8th, 2024, at 10:30 a.m. Our program will be presented by Mr. John Marr. He is planning a program based on the history of Washingtonville and the surrounding area. Many of us have a history ourselves in those areas. We will be going to the Crossroads Cafe in Montandon for lunch.

SCUBA VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Vacation Bible School will be held at Zion Sunday, June 16 through Thursday, June 20, 6:00-8:00 pm. Diving into friendship with God take kids deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they’ll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. Kids will be immersed in the Word and discover what living water is really all about! Call the church office (570) 649-5195 to register.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sunday School begins at 9:15 a.m. We offer classes using the Sparkhouse curriculum. The following classes are available: Preschool—Natalie Hamilton, Kindergarten to Grade 2—Megan Zettelmoyer, Grades 3 - 6—Amanda Stoudt

JOIN OUR TEXT LIST: Stay Up-to-Date with Zion. Sign up for text messages on upcoming services, events at the church, and more happenings within the congregation. Go to this URL <https://form.church/zionlutheran> to complete the opt-in form.

CAMP MT LUTHER SUMMER STAFF: Every summer, Camp Mount Luther depends on responsible young people to serve as role models for our campers. Whether serving as a counselor, lifeguard, or kitchen personnel, a job at camp can be an amazing and rewarding work experience. Please spread the word and help us find quality candidates for Summer 2024. If you know someone who would be a good fit, direct them to chad@campmountluther.org

WEDNESDAY PRAYER SERVICE: Our Wednesday Prayer services are held at 9:00 am. For those looking for an additional opportunity to receive Holy Communion, the Prayer Group celebrates the sacrament at its service on the fourth Wednesday of every month. Join us for prayer on Wednesdays.

ROAST BEEF MEAL: Meal includes Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Stuffing, Gravy, Vegetables and Cranberry Relish for \$14.

Saturday, May 4, 2024, 4:00 – 5:30 pm. Drive-through only.

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TURBOTVILLE LIONS CLUB

Well, we finally are getting some nice warm weather, it seemed like it took forever! With the nicer weather will be coming THE 10TH TURBOTVILLE AREA COMMUNITY CARVIVAL being held June 3 - 8 2024. Our Lions members will be cooking for you each and every night. You will be able to get our famous CHEESESTEAK SANDWICHWS, HOT DOGS, KRAUT DOGS, HAMBURGERS, CHEESEBURGERS, AND PLAIN OR PEPPERONI NARDONE'S PIZZA. We just finished our yearly Nardone's Pizza Sale. Thank You to all who ordered pizza, we appreciate your ongoing support. We will be holding our Annual Charter Night on May 22nd to celebrate when we were founded. We always have a great turnout with a few special guests at Charter Night. We will also be drawing our gun raffle winners that night along with installing next year's officers. Come and support your local organizations at the Carnival. SEE YOU AT THE CARNIVAL JUNE 3 - 8, 2024.

TURBOTVILLE HERITAGE SOCIETY

TRAIN STATION

The Turbotville Borough Heritage Society will be having a meeting on Tuesday, May 21st, at 7:00pm at the Community Hall, Church St. Train Station will be open during the week of the carnival-

TURBOTVILLE CARNIVAL

June 3 – June 8

10-year anniversary 2014-2024

Pet Parade – Monday night forming at Washington St, at 6pm – moves at 7pm rain date Tuesday

Community Parade – Friday night (rain or shine) forms at 6pm using King and Queen Sts. Moves at 7pm.

On the Train station stage:

Monday night – ONE 80

Tuesday night – Route 15

Wednesday night – Stone House Breakaway

Thursday night – Milltown Blues

Friday night – Lucky Afternoon

Saturday night – The Mahoney Brothers

If it rains – bands will be on stage in the Community Hall Auditorium. **Food Vendors will be open if raining.**

Cornhole Tournament – Saturday, June 8th. \$30 for 2-man team. Held on the tennis/pickleball court. Rain or shine! Will be held in the basement of the Community Hall if rainy weather!

Flyers will be available beginning of May. Placed throughout the area!

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TURBOTVILLE COMMUNITY HALL

Rental information: contact Loretta Mabus 570-742-7702

MAY

Fri. May 3 – PA Health Clinic 9m-12noon

Sun. May 5 - PAVILLON-RESERVED New Life Worship Center Service,

Mon. May 6 - Dagwood Orders Due call:

Call Betsy Watts with count, 570-437-4048

Sun. May 12 - New Life Worship Center Service 10AM
MOTHER'S DAY

Mon. May 13 – Carnival Committee Meeting 7pm

Tue. May 14 – Turbotville Heritage Society 7pm

Wed. May 15 – Dagwood Prep 8am

Thu. May 16 - Dagwood Sandwich Order/Sales
Delivery 6am-8:30am

Sat. May 18 - Pavillon Reserved

Sun. May 19 - New Life Worship Center Service 10AM

Tue. May 21 - TCHC Board Meeting 7pm

Wed. May 22 - Lions Club Meeting 6:30pm

Sun. May 26 - New Life Worship Center Service 10AM

TURBOTVILLE OIP

570-649-6168

CLOSED MONDAY, Tues.- Thurs. 10-9 Fri.& Sat. 10-10
Sunday 11-9

Check our daily specials out on our Facebook page –
Turbotville OIP. They are also posted on Turbotville
Rants and Rave page.

-Pete and the staff at OIP

MONTGOMERY HOUSE LIBRARY

20 Church St. McEwensville, PA

570-538-1381

Mon & Fri 12-6; Tue & Thurs 12-8; Wed 12-4; Sat. 11-2

ALL MONTH LONG:

Penny Drive – stop in for a penny envelope or drop off
your pennies!

Library Lovers – Fine forgiveness for the whole
month.

Books 4 Babies – 0-2yrs Every Tuesday at 10am.

Toddler Time – 2-4yrs. Every Thursday at 10am.

Pre-K ages 4-5yrs. Every Friday at 10am.

May library events:

Mon May 6 - BBQ Chip Taste Test 12 - 6pm

Tues May 7 - Beginner Crochet 6pm

Wed May 8 - Mexican Train Dominoes 1pm

Sat May 11 - Cricut Special - Mother's Day Cards -
11:30 am - 1:30pm

Mon May 13 - 13 on the 13th - 1pm

Mon May 13 - Camping Hacks - Fire Starters - 4pm

Wed May 15 - Meet the Mah Jong Tiles - 1pm

Thurs May 16 - Plant Day; Come play in the dirt - 4pm

Thurs May 23 - Bloomsburg Maker Camp - Chemistry
Explosions - 6pm

Sat May 25 - McEwensville Yard Sales/Friends Book
Sale - 8am - 2 pm

Mon May 27 - Closed for Memorial Day

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California Grange #941 News

17 California Road, Watsontown, PA 17777

April was National Grange Month! We celebrated everything that makes us #GrangeStrong – from our deep roots in communities nationwide to the fantastic ways we are working to shape the future. This year, Grange month featured the “Heirloom Program” to encourage Grange members (and friends who aren’t Grange members) to learn about the core tenets of the Grange, and what we stand for. For example, this excerpt from our Official Grange Obligation Ceremony:

“In our fraternity there is work for all and those reap the most abundant harvest of Grange benefits who contribute most liberally of their own time and talent.” – Secretary

Additionally, “The Grange Hall” podcast has launched! Hosts Meagan McDonald (WA) and Philip Vonada (PA) interview Grange members from around the country about their Grange history, their Grange’s history, and where they see the Grange going in the future. The “Grange Hall” releases a new episode every other Wednesday, starting April 17. Listen on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Amazon/Audible, or iHeartRadio. You can also listen on PodBean or watch it on YouTube.

On Sunday, April 21 was “Go to Church Sunday” and Grange members attended the Strawberry Ridge United Church of Christ and enjoyed a group lunch at Bonanza. Many thanks to our host church for their kind hospitality.

During our April 22nd Grange Meeting we celebrated the community service work by Betsy Watts as our 2023 Community Service Award winner! Betsy was chosen for her long-standing commitment to the Warrior Run Fort Freeland Heritage Days and the Turbotville Community Hall.

May 2024

Saturday, May 11 – 4-6pm – California Grange #941 Spring Chicken BBQ. Tickets available for pre-order only. Donation is \$14 per ticket. Menu includes one-half chicken, macaroni salad, baked beans, apple sauce, roll, and homemade vanilla ice cream. Drive through only.

Please contact Bob Fry at 570-204-1707 for tickets. Thank you.

Monday, May 13 - 6pm – Member Leftover Chicken BBQ dinner. Regular meeting at 7:15pm. Program: Lecturer’s Choice

Monday, May 27 - 7pm – Regular meeting. Program: “Soils and Soil Landscapes of Central Pennsylvania” by retired USDA Soil Scientist, Sharon Whitmoyer Waltman. Program is open to the public.

If you would like to become a Grange member, please contact either Bob Pardoe (President) at 570-524-7625 or Sharon Waltman (Lecturer) at 570-316-3538. Come and make a difference in your community! Meetings are held every second and fourth Monday of the month at 7pm. Please consider becoming a member and enjoy informative education programs, community service projects, and Grange quarterly home-made member dinners. Directions: From Route 54 (traveling from Turbotville to Washingtonville), turn right onto Strick Road and drive to the intersection with California Road, the Grange and Park are to the right.

See <https://www.pagrang.org/> and <https://www.nationalgrange.org/> for more about Grange programs. Grange Motto - "In essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty; in all things, charity"

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News from White Hall Baptist Church

Rev. John McCarty, Pastor

WhiteHallBaptists@gmail.com

(570)394-7543

New Web Page <http://whitehall-baptist.org>

699 White Hall Road, Danville, PA 17821

Sunday Church Services: 9:00am (plus Zoom and parking lot radio FM 87.7) Children's Church during regular service

Sunday School: 10:15am

Summary January – April 2024

In January we welcomed the New Year with worship (sometimes on Zoom due to bad weather) after a wonderful Christmas Eve candlelight service in December. In February, we accepted and published our annual report and brought new church officers on board and released a newly updated church directory. In March we held our annual Lenten Bible Study entitled "The Lord's Prayer" by Adam Hamilton plus congregational covered dish luncheon on St. Patrick's Day. On Saturday 3/30 we had fun holding our annual Easter Egg Hunt for kids up to age 12. We also celebrated Easter Sunrise Service with Derry Mennonite at Montour Preserve at 6:30am, with a delicious breakfast brunch afterward at the church. The ABW Crochet Circle continued its work and welcomed several new members. In April Pastor John offered his "Living Bread Baking Class." This popular event was well attended. Pastor John featured sour dough bread preparation and the origins and role of bread in the Bible. Delicious samples were enjoyed by the participants. Pastor John also serves as a cook and baker at the Iron Fork Restaurant in Danville, PA. The Crochet Circle is offering knitting and crochet lessons to prepare baby caps for local hospitals and other needed items. We continue to prepare crochet "plarn" (aka plastic yarn made from shopping bags) sleeping mats for the homeless. These go to the

Wilkes Barre Mission with help from Rebyrn churches.

May 2024 Activities

May 5 – Communion Sunday Church Service 9am, Sunday School at 10:15am

May 6 – American Baptist Women (ABW) Business Meeting 1:30pm

May 7 – ABW Crochet Circle Meeting 1 – 3pm. All welcome, we have yarn and hooks/knitting needles.

May 12 – Sunday Church Service 9am followed by Mother's Day Luncheon follows Church service.

May 19 – Pentecost Sunday Church Service 9am, Sunday School at 10:15am, Bylaws Meeting at Noon

May 22 – ABW Crochet Circle Meeting 1 – 3pm. All welcome, we have yarn and hooks/knitting needles.

May 26 - Sunday Church Service 9am, Sunday School at 10:15am

We have in-person parking lot services at radio FM 87.7 and Zoom (see web site) service options. Pre-recorded sermons are available on YouTube (see web site). Masks are optional in face-to-face worship, and other indoor gatherings at White Hall Baptist. Worshippers are welcome to sit where they like in the sanctuary. The unvaccinated or those who may have symptoms of illness may join us remotely. We are an American Baptist Churches of the USA church (<http://www.abcopad.org/>).

All are welcome, please join us.

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REPRESENTATIVE MICHAEL STENDER

Important Update for Students Seeking Financial Aid

The Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) has announced the submission deadline for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), with relation to the Pennsylvania State Grant Program, has been extended to June 1.

The launch of the FAFSA application for the upcoming academic year was delayed almost three months as the FAFSA underwent changes as a result of the FAFSA Simplification Act, which was intended to streamline the financial aid application process. The U.S. Department of Education rolled out the new FAFSA on Dec. 31 for the 2024-25 academic year, but it has since encountered a number of issues, delays, and errors in processing student applications.

The PA State Grant Program uses the FAFSA form as its primary application point to determine student eligibility for a PA State Grant award. Historically, May 1 was used as the deadline for students to complete their FAFSA for PA State Grant purposes.

More information is available at www.pheaa.org.