

AUGUST 1, 2015

# HEIDELBERG HAPPENINGS

## Special points of interest:

- Recycling the first Saturday of the month from 8-12 at the Township Building Lower Lot
- The Township Office will be closed:

September 7—Labor Day

November 26—Thanksgiving

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## PARK & RECREATION PLANNING

In the last number of years, Heidelberg Township has undergone some major changes. As we continue to evolve, new needs are recognized to satisfy the populous of our community. The need for park and open space community recreation has been noted and the Township has begun to coordinate efforts to fill the need.

In 2014, an Ordinance was passed providing for any future subdivisions of parcels to provide land for recreation or a fee-in-lieu of land. Each new lot created via subdivision will be required to adhere to this ordinance. The money collected from these fees must be used for acquisition, development or maintenance of public recreation areas. In accordance with the rules of the Municipal Planners

Code, a Park & Recreation Board will be created to determine a plan on how to effectively use the money collected from the fees. Most recently, the Board of Supervisors passed an ordinance setting the parameters of the Board and allowing for the ability to organize the group. The Park & Recreation Board will consist of five members of the community, serving five-year terms on a rotating basis. They will set a budget and advise the Board of Supervisors on how they feel the park & rec money could best be spent to serve the community in creating or maintaining recreation services.

While still in the planning stages, any members of the Heidel-

berg Township community interested in serving on the Park & Recreation Board can contact the Township Office. Those interested should have a positive mind-set and an understanding that they are planning the vision for the recreation future of Heidelberg Township.



## WHO DOES THAT? THE LIONS DO!

There are several things that go on in Heidelberg Township that people may wonder who does that!

\* Lends medical equipment to those in need!  
WHO DOES THAT?

\* Installs Holiday Lights in Schaefferstown every year!  
WHO DOES THAT?

\* Offers a \$750 scholarship to a local student that is continuing their education after high school!  
WHO DOES THAT?

\* Need help solving sight problems? WHO DOES THAT?

\* Sponsors the annual Halloween Parade in Schaefferstown - the only one in the county!  
WHO DOES THAT?

According to David Mock who is a lifelong Heidelberg Township resident and current president of the Heidelberg Lions, the answer to all four of the questions of WHO DOES THAT is indeed the Heidelberg Lions. According to Lion David, "We are a group of men that does not like to toot our own horns! We do these things and many more to serve the citizens of Heidelberg Township and other surrounding communities, as well as US citizens, and millions of others around the world without asking for a pat on the back. Our goal is to serve others."

According to Lion Dave the main objective of Lions worldwide is assisting people with sight related issues here and all around the world. The Heidelberg Lions are part of

the Lebanon County Sight Committee. They employ someone to identify those in need of help to overcome ANY sight problems. The Northeast PA Lions Eye Bank performs nearly 2000 cornea (paeyebank.org) transplants a year. Lions clubs around the globe have been instrumental in helping prevent River Blindness which is the biggest cause of blindness worldwide, thus saving the sight of millions.

If you want to serve the citizens of your community, your country and citizens around the world, please consider joining the Heidelberg Lions Club! If you are interested or have any questions please call Jerry Stine at 717-507-1679 or email him at jerrstine@gmail.com.

- article provided by Jerry Stine

***First Day of  
School is  
Tuesday,  
August 25th.  
Please look  
for school  
buses and  
students!***



## MISSING STREET BANNERS BEING SAUGHT

Throughout town, the Heidelberg Township Lioness organization has generously placed banners along Heidelberg Avenue to denote the significance of our Township. In recent years, some of the banners have gone missing. The Lioness Organization would like to ask for the assistance of the community in trying to locate the lost banners. If

anyone has any information about the missing signs, please contact the Heidelberg Township office and we will gladly pass along the information to those involved with the Lioness organization. Thank you in advance for your assistance.



## NEW EQUIPMENT REPAIR BUSINESS NOW OPEN

Sprenkle Tractor Sales and Repair is the newest business to open here in Heidelberg Township. Fred Sprenkle, resident of Heidelberg Township and owner and operator, has a lengthy background working in this business and aims to bring his new knowledge and service via his new business.

Sprenkle Tractor is located in the former Getty Mart building at 214 South Carpenter Street in Schaefferstown. The business specializes in the sales and service of Kubota and Ford tractors and equipment. With a combined 75 years of experience in the service and repair industry between all employees, service of other brands of machinery is also a possibility.

Please give Fred at call at (717) 949-4282 or send him an e-mail at [fred@fskubota.comcastbiz.net](mailto:fred@fskubota.comcastbiz.net) and someone can help assess your equipment sales or service needs. The business is open Monday through Friday 8AM to 5PM and Saturdays by appointment. Take a look in your own neighborhood for solid and quality service.



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## SEWER SYSTEM USAGE RULES

With change comes change. That may sound like a public service announcement, but in reality, it is the “new reality” when it comes to using the new public sewer system. Recently, the sewer system has experienced some maintenance issues on various sections of the sewer lines. A few of those maintenance issues are a direct result of things being put into the sewer system that should not be disposed of in that manner. Since public sewer is new to all of us, here is a list of items that should NOT be sent into the

public waste system via toilet or sink.

Paper towels

Sanitary Napkins

Diapers

Grease

Food scraps

Small dead animals

Anything that is not liquid, waste or paper made for waste disposal

While none of these items should ever be sent into any sewer system, placing them into a public system can cause problems not only for the system itself, but for individual property owners as well. Blockages can cause damage to lines and pump stations which can disrupt system performance for users. Taking care and being aware of proper system protocol can save everyone using the public sewer from having to deal with avoidable conflicts.



**THOUSANDS OF CANDLES CAN BE LIGHTED FROM  
A SINGLE CANDLE, AND THE LIFE OF THE  
CANDLE WILL NOT BE SHORTENED.  
- BUDDHA**

*Happy*

*Thanksgiving to*

*all of the*

*residents of*

*Heidelberg*

*Township. Be*

*thankful and*

*feel blessed for*

*all that you*

*have.*

## ROAD SIGNS IMPORTANT TO TRAVELS

Throughout every mile of roadway in our Township, signs give alerts for many reasons. Speed limit, intersections, Township boundaries, nearing road hazards and street lights are only a few of the examples of the notifications road signs signify. Temporary signs are also placed throughout the Township when a short-term road condition will be affecting an area. Without some of these signs, very dangerous conditions may not be known by an oncoming motorist. In recent years, road signs have gone missing at a very frequent pace. While some may not seem imperative, their need is no less serious. Township signs signifying the need for a ped-

dlers licenses, Fresh Oil signs where tar & chip were placed and Stop signs have been the focus of removal recently. Other signs have been damaged or destroyed and left for Township road crew to remove. Spray paint and BB guns have been used to damage many signs, but other methods have also been used in the past. Understand that all of these signs need to be replaced to keep motorists advised of roadway conditions and landmarks. Also understand that each sign costs money. An average street name sign costs approximately \$25. Stop signs and speed limit signs cost approximately \$40 each. Each sign in the Township has its own cost, but each sign replace-

ment is a dollar that needs to be spent to keep drivers safe. Please be mindful of the importance of road signs. Not only do they help tell us where we are and which direction to go, they also keep those traveling on them safe and aware. Please help in deterring those people from removing or damaging our signs. If you notice a sign missing, please make the Township office aware of the situation. The road crew will make every effort to correct the situation and keep motorists safe and informed on their journey through Heidelberg Township.

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**with any Township**  
**news ideas**  
**or events.**

## 2015 SUMMER/FALL HAPPENINGS

### Schaefferstown Fire Company:

Carnival, August 13-15 5PM

Breakfast, September 7:00AM

(look for dates on the Township Website)

### Historic Schaefferstown:

Harvest Festival

Sat. September 12th 10AM-5PM Sun. September 13th 11:30AM-4:30PM

(see the HSI website [hsimuseum.org](http://hsimuseum.org) for more details)

### Trick or Treat:

October 29th 6PM-8PM

### Lions Club:

Halloween Parade, October 31st 7PM

