

# MT. VERNON TERRACE

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**Luminest Community Development** 



## Free Tax Service Returns to Franklin County

Tax Season is back but so is the Free Tax Aide Program! AARP certified Tax Aide counselors will be at various locations to assist with taxes and ensure they are completed correctly for free. Locations and times are as listed:

Chambersburg Rec Center, 235 S. Third St., Chambersburg, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

American Legion, 755 Philadelphia Ave., Chambersburg, Wednesdays and Fridays, 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

American Legion Post 561, 611 N. Fifth St., McConnellsburg, Wednesdays only, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Knights of Columbus, 42 W. Second St., Waynesboro, Thursdays only, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Greencastle Senior Center, 10615 Antrim Church Road, Greencastle, Tuesdays only, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### What you need to bring:

Last year's tax return (whether AARP did it or not.); Social security numbers for taxpayer and dependents; W-2s from each employer; All 1099 forms (for a variety of miscellaneous income); Brokerage statements (make sure to bring all pages in the statement); Educational and Brokerage forms (1099 B and 1098-T); Forms K1 or W2G; All retirement and pension forms (1099-R); For property tax or rent rebate, stamped as paid tax receipts or rent certificate signed by the



# Rent Rebate Applications Are Now Available

The rebate program benefits eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older; widows and widowers age 50 and older; and people with disabilities age 18 and older. The income limit is \$35,000 a year for homeowners and \$15,000 annually for renters, and half of Social Security income is excluded. Property Tax/Rent Rebate application forms and assistance are available at no cost from Department of Revenue district offices, local Area Agencies on Aging, senior centers and state legislators' offices. If you would like to find out more about how to obtain an application please contact Lydia.

# Luminest has exciting news!

We are potentially looking to build two homes right here in Waynesboro that would be available for eligible candidates to purchase through a first time home buyer program. In addition, Luminest has also proposed to build 30 townhouses in Waynesboro which would be available to rent with the option of eventual ownership. Would you like to learn more about these potential projects and home ownership? If you are interested in attending a presentation and sharing your interest level in home ownership please contact Lydia.

# **Neighbor to Neighbor**

Prayer Group- – Love Hoyah (from MVT) is having a prayer group at the MVT Community Center on Thursdays and Fridays at 7PM, and Saturdays at 10AM. Ms. Hoyah is also available to meet you people one on one if you'd like. Please call 301-806-2733 if interested.

Please contact Lydia to let me know what you would like to see in YOUR monthly newsletter. Any questions,



February is Heart Health month! Look at the next page of this newsletter for hearth health focused events occurring locally!

# For You: Services and Groups

## Reminders

### Fresh Express-02/25/20

Fresh Express is a food program that is offered through Central PA Food Bank in Harrisburg. Elder Share, and CSFP are senior food programs (60+) also from Central PA Food Bank. These are all income based. Once a month (usually the last Tuesday of the month) they bring food to our residents. There is usually 2 fresh fruit or vegetables—we don't know what they will bring until they get here. There are dry goods like pasta, cereal, etc. as well as some drinks. If you'd like more information. Thank you.

If you are registered for Fresh Express, ElderShare, or CSFP the food will be arriving on Tuesday, February 25th at the Valley Terrace Community Center. Appointments are necessary in order to pick up food. If you are not signed up for Fresh Express, ElderShare, or CSFP please see/contact Lydia to sign up or for more information.

**Medication Lock Box**— If you are interested in a medication lock box contact Lydia

- Please do not set trash in front of the dumpster even if the dumpster is full.
   Waste management will not collect trash if the dumpster is blocked.
- Please do not place electronics or <u>mattresses</u> in or by the dumpster. The sanitation company will not take them.
- Please remember to work with your neighbors to keep stairwells and other common areas clean. Thank you for taking pride in your community.
- Children under 12 must be supervised by an adult/parent when outside.
- No skateboarding; bicycle riding; roller blading; or scooter ridging at Wayne Gardens
- Please remember that all 2nd cars and all guests should park on the street (or in your spot) and NOT in any other numbered spot and no longer than 10 minutes in the pickup/ drop off zone.
- We are asking that each resident be aware of noise as it travels to other areas. Please watch when closing doors so that they do not slam-it disturbs others. Thank you.
- Any rent changes will go into effect January 1st.

# Local & Upcoming Franklin County Programs and Events\*

### **Health & Wellness**

Shop Heart Health Event by Wellspan-Free grocery store tour led by a clinical dietitian at Martin's Food Store in Waynesboro. Learn how to read food labels and choose foods with low sodium. All participants will receive a store give card to shop for heart-healthy foods! Tuesday, Feb. 25. 5:00 pm. Space is limited and registration is required. Call (717) 262-4472 or visit WellSpan.org/events to register

Heart Health Speaker Series-Join local experts for an evening of learning about the heart and how you can keep yours healthy. Refreshments will be provided and attendees will be eligible to win door prizes. Tuesday, February 11 5-6:30 pm at Orchards Restaurant in Chambersburg or Thursday, Feb. 20 5-6:30 pm at Waynesboro Country Club. Seating is limited and registration is required. Register at WellSpan.org/Events. If you do not have access to the internet and would like to attend see Lydia for assistance in registering.

**Wellspan Health Fair-**Mark your calendar for the 37th Annual WellSpan Waynesboro Hospital Health Fair on March 7th. The health fair will be held in the gymnasium of Waynesboro Area Senior High School. Stay tuned!

**Free Dental Clinic for Veterans**– Held on the last Friday of the month in Chambersburg. Free to any veteran who is without dental insurance or access to dental services. Appointments include exam, cleaning/other necessary dental services. Call Franklin County Veterans Affairs to Register at 717-263-4326

**Meditation Class-** The practice of meditation dates back thousands of years and is accessible to all. Meditation may lower blood pressure, slow down the cardiovascular system, relieve muscle tension, relieve insomnia, release fears, generate optimism, selfesteem, confidence, and motivation. Free every Friday until March 13th at 6:30 pm at the Coyle Free Public Library.

Candlelight Calm Yoga-Mondays,6pm-7pm (Moved the third week in Feb. to Tues. the 18th). A wonderfully relaxing way to end your day! Find stillness within the body and mind by focusing on the breath while moving through a gentle yoga flow. This class is suitable for all levels. Please arrive a few minutes early. Must be at least 15 years old to attend. All classes are held in the History Room. Donation-based class. With integrity, please pay what you can. Space is limited. Whenever possible, please confirm your attendance with CW. Call/Text 717.494.9443 or email joywithcw@gmail.com

## **Local and Upcoming Events Continued**

### Arts/Entertainment



**Thursday Movies in February**– At Coyle Free Public Library, Chambersburg. Thursdays at 6pm. Seats limited so please come early. Upcoming February Movies:

13 February 13th (Documentary)

20 February Once Upon a Time in Hollywood

27 February Joker

Live Music Fridays— Free musical entertainment for the whole family to enjoy! Hosted by Music Makers and Arts Alliance of Greater Waynesboro/Destination ARTS. Shows held at Music Makers at 46 W. Main Street Waynesboro. 5:30pm-8pm. 02/14 Loose Screws (jazz), 02/21 Across the Pond (Celtic, 6pm start), 02/28 Jerry Rigged (Americana, bluegrass, punk, old-timey, and other musical genres).

### Science & Language

Astronomy Presentation-Astronomy presentation by Dr. Marschall.

Weather permitting, there will be a short observing session with telescopes of the TriState Astronomers following the talk. Thursday, Feb. 20th 6-9pm at The Institute at Renfrew, 1010 East Main Street, Waynesboro.

**English, Spanish, and French Classes-**Saturdays at Coyle Free Library in Chambersburg. Contact the library for more information at (717) 263-1054

#### Teens

**4th Annual Teen Chocolate Challenge-** Teens ages 12-18 Join the Alexander Hamilton Memorial Free Library for a creative and informal good time making our own chocolates, including chocolate covered pretzels, chocolate-covered strawberries, chocolate brittle, and whatever chocolate creations your imagination can dream up. We'll have a contest with prizes and enjoy eating our creations! Tuesday, February 18th, 3:30-5:30pm

#### **Kids**

**Inclusive Storytime-**Last Tuesday of the month, 5:30pm at Alexander Hamilton Memorial Free Library. This interactive story time is specially adapted for children and children at heart with special needs by incorporating sensory tools and visual aids during story reading, along with activities to provide a fun and inclusive experience for all. Feb-Valentine's Day & Caring for Others, Mar-Black History Apr-Spring, Flowers, & Growing Things May-Animals & Getting Ready for Summer

**Play and Explore Hour-**for ages 0-6, Second Mondays, 11:00am Fourth Thursdays, 5:30pm This hour is a time of productive play, focusing on family fun together and making play time learning time. Each hour will feature different special items for play, as well as some classic favorites! Caregivers are asked to participate in the fun!

For info on many more clubs for kids at the Alexander Hamilton Library visit them via Facebook or in person!

\* Events are not affiliated with or endorsed by Luminest



### **Maintenance:**

(717) 977-3900

When calling in a work order, please speak clearly/slowly and provide: name, address (development name), and issue. Maintenance will return your call—however, if your phone blocks unknown calls they will not be able to reach you. Please remove this feature when waiting for a return call.

Work Orders will be completed in the order they are received unless it is an emergency that needs completed in 24 hours.

### Examples of emergencies are (but not limited to):

Plumbing leaks which could flood the unit or cause damage; Electrical hazards; Smell of gas; No heat; an alarm going off; Clogged toilet or clogged tub, if on a weekend and have no second tub and/or toilet; and completely clogged kitchen sink.

All other work orders will be handled as time permits.

### **Contact Information:**

Ben Thompson's MV Office Hours: Mon, Wed, Thur 8am—2 pm, Friday 8-1pm Ext:109\*

Lydia's hours and locations:

Wayne Gardens Mon., & Thurs. x112

8:30AM-4:30PM

Mount Vernon Terrace Tues. & Wed., x110

8:30AM-4:30PM

Valley Terrace Fri. 8AM—1PM x113

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Luminest Dates to Remember:

01/25 Fresh Express



If you would like to reserve the Mt. Vernon Terrace Community room contact Ben.