June, 2026

# FAWN GROVE BOROUGH

*A "Deer" Little Town*

Issue #16




## HISTORY OF FAWN GROVE, PA

Fawn Grove, PA, was established in the early 19th century, named for its abundant deer population and officially incorporated in 1881.

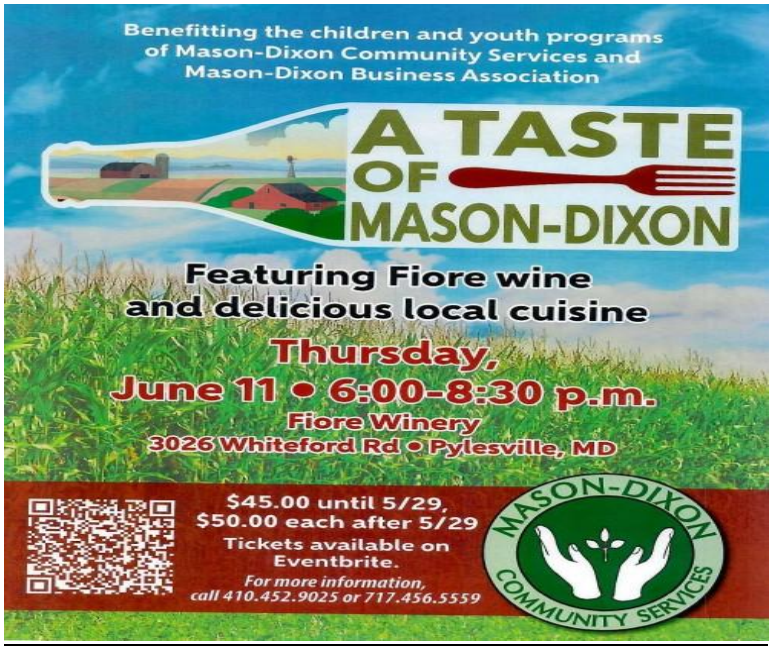
**Early Settlement** Fawn Grove began with the granting of a lease by Richard Webb to Samuel Hugo and Amos Waters for a tract of land near the intersection of the Baltimore and York roads in August 1821. The area was known for its sporting grounds for young deer, leading to the name "Fawn Grove," inspired by the nearby grove of trees. The town's early development was marked by the establishment of a post office, with Amos Waters serving as the first postmaster.

**Incorporation and Growth** Fawn Grove was officially incorporated as a borough in 1881. The survey for the town was conducted by John S. McElwain, and Dr. John A. Hawkins became the first Burgess (mayor) of the borough. The community grew steadily, reflecting the typical patterns of small-town development in Pennsylvania during the 19th century.

**Transportation and Railroads** A significant aspect of Fawn Grove's history is the New Park and Fawn Grove Railroad, which was incorporated on May 11, 1905. This railroad connected Fawn Grove to Stewartstown and was completed in 1906. The railroad played a crucial role in the local economy, facilitating the transport of goods and people. However, it was ultimately abandoned in 1935, a victim of the Great Depression and the rise of road transportation.

**Modern Era** Today, Fawn Grove is a small borough in York County, with a population of approximately 475 as of the 2020 census. It is part of the York–Hanover metropolitan area and continues to maintain its small-town charm while being influenced by the broader developments in the region. Fawn Grove's history reflects the broader trends of American small towns, including early settlement patterns, the importance of transportation infrastructure, and the challenges faced during economic downturns.

## MASON DIXON COMMUNITY SERVICES




Tickets available on Eventbrite. For more information call 410-452-9025 or 717-459-5559.

## 36th ANNUAL FAWN GROVE OLDE TYME DAYS

THE **36th ANNUAL FAWN GROVE OLDE TYME DAYS** is **June 26th, 27th & 28th, 2026**, and benefits the Citizens Volunteer Fire Company in Fawn Grove, Pennsylvania. *This years feature tractor is Allis Chalmers/Case Hercules Engines.* The schedule of events include; garden tractor pulls, truck pulls, antique tractor pulls, gas engine exhibits, tractor exhibits, tractor drive. A parade, live entertainment, flea markets, a kids zone, petting zoo, delicious food & more!

Admission is FREE! Parking is also FREE at Kennard Dale High School with a FREE shuttle to the show grounds**.**

**DON'T FORGET THE PARADE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 27TH AT 10 AM!**

There will be a special flag ceremony celebrating our Nation's 250th and honoring veterans on June 27th at 1 PM, following the parade.

**WE ENCOURAGE ALL VETERANS TO ATTEND!**

## WELLSPAN MOBILE MAMMOGRAPHY




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MASON-DIXON COMMUNITY SERVICES

**5 Pendyrus Street, Delta, PA 17314**

**July 27th, 2026**
**November 4th, 2026**
**10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

Call (717) GO-MAMMO (717-466-2666) to schedule or visit wellspan.org/gomammo to pre-register.

- You must be at least 40 years old to qualify for a screening mammogram.
- No Insurance? No problem! WellSpan Health has programs that can help. WellSpan.org/GoMammo

## SOUTHERN YORK COUNTY EMS



### SAVE THE DATE
### 5th Annual Pig and Bull Roast

Saturday, August 22, 2026 at 5 PM

Honeysuckle Ridge LLC
17 Blain Road
Airville, PA 17302

Griffith Hill Catering will be catering the event, and Tanner Mountain Band will be entertaining!

*For more information, please call 717-673-0793.*

## COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT



**Our Liberty Tree Revealed**

Fawn Grove's Liberty Tree is an American Sycamore—a species native to our region and known for its strength, longevity, and unmistakable beauty.

With its wide-reaching branches and distinctive bark, the American Sycamore has long been a tree of gathering and presence—making it a fitting choice for this special planting in Morris Park.

As part of our America 250 – "History Made Here" celebration, this tree represents more than just growth. It stands for:

***Community***

***Renewal***

***A place to come together.***

Historically, Liberty Trees were where people gathered to share ideas, build connections, and shape the future. Now, we're proud to plant that same spirit right here in Fawn Grove.



Planted during our recent Park Clean-Up Day in partnership with the Rotary Club, this American Sycamore will grow alongside our community for generations to come. We would like to thank everyone who participated from little hands to big helpers, we're making a BIG difference together.

Stay tuned as we continue to add to its story...

## SPRING COMMUNITY DAY

Fawn Grove hosted their Spring Community Day on Saturday, April 25th, 2026. Yard sales were set up throughout the town and vendors set up in the Rec Building. We hope everyone had the opportunity to come out, walk around, shop locally, grab delicious food from Murray's Pit Meats and enjoy a great morning in Fawn Grove!





## VISIT THE FAWN GROVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM AND CHECK OUT THE NEW FAWN GROVE MERCHANDISE

We've been working on a little something behind the scenes – and we're almost ready to share. Think local pride, everyday use, and just the right amount of "where did you get that?"

Visit our merchandise table in the Fawn Grove Historical Society Museum at Morris Park Borough Hall (*former VFW)* during Olde Tyme Days. Lots to see and much to learn!



## HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST




Help us celebrate America's 250th Anniversary by decorating your home, porch, yard, or business in patriotic style!

Whether you go simple with flags and lights or create a full red, white, and blue masterpiece, we want to see Fawn Grove shining with community pride and small-town spirit.

🏘️ Open to residents of Fawn Grove Borough & Township
🏆 Two winners will be selected!
⭐ Judging Criteria:
🇺🇸 Patriotic Spirit
⭐ Creativity & Originality
🎨 Effort & Detail
🏘️ Curb Appeal
❤️ Community Pride
📅 Important Dates:

• Registration Deadline: June 24
• Judging Date: June 25
• Winners Announced: June 26 at 12:30 PM during the Olde Tyme Days Flag Ceremony

To enter email:fawngroveevents@gmail.com
Please include your name and address.

Dust off the flags, untangle those mystery lights from the garage, and let's make Fawn Grove sparkle with patriotic pride! 🇺🇸

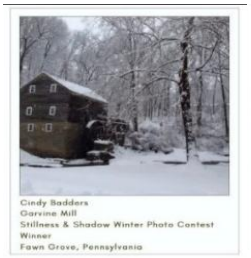
## PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

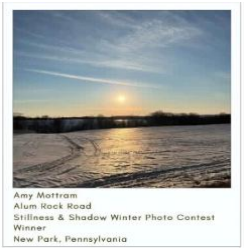
**Fawn Grove Winter Photo Contest Winners**
**Stillness & Shadow**

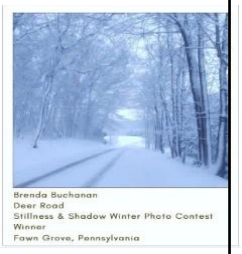
There's something special about winter in Southern York County… the quiet, the light, the way time feels like it slows down just enough to notice it.

As we begin celebrating America 250 – "History Made Here", these moments remind us that history isn't just found in books—it's right here in the landscapes, roads, and places we pass every day.

Congratulations to our Top 3 Winners, who beautifully captured Stillness & Shadow in Fawn Grove: Cindy Badders, Amy Mottram and Brenda Buchannan.




Thank you to everyone who participated and helped tell the story of our community through your lens.

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The next photo contest will be:
**Summer Golden Moments-Capture the warmth, energy and jot of summer-those fleeting moments that feel like sunshine.**
Open for Submissions: 6/29/26-8/2/26
Voting: 8/10/26-8/19/26
Winners Announced: 8/21/26

**Eligibility & Guidelines**
You may submit up to 3 photos
Photos must align with the Stillness & Shadow theme
Photos must be taken in Southern York County
Photos must be original work by the entrant
Both amateur and experienced photographers are welcome
Selected entries will be featured for community recognition
If a high number of entries are received, submissions may be reviewed and organized in a way that allows for fair and meaningful recognition. Final display and recognition formats will be determined based on the number and variety of entries received.

Photos can be sent to *FawnGroveEvents@gmail.com*

## EARN YOUR HISTORY MADE HERE FUN PATCH




This badge represents: *You didn't just learn history… you participated in it.*

This fun patch celebrates the stories, people, and places that shape our community—past and present.

Complete simple activities to explore, learn, and make your own mark!

Complete 1 activity from EACH section:
A: Learn the Past
B: See History Around You
C: Honor Service & Community
D: Make History Today
E: Reflect & Share

Requirements: **https://canva.link/6cxb02n6fbhcolf**

GET YOUR PATCH

🏅 Patches are just $2.50 each 🏅
troop20840@gmail.com to purchase

## WEEDS & GRASS

In accordance with Ordinance No. 94, the growing of any grass, weeds, or vegetation not useful for edible or ornamental purposes to a height in excess of six (6) inches or which produces any noxious or offensive odors or pollens is considered a nuisance.




## BOROUGH INFORMATION

**Street Address:** 171 S. Market Street
Fawn Grove, PA 17321

**Mailing Address:** P.O. Box 131
Fawn Grove, PA 17321

**Phone:** 717-382-4153 **Fax:** 717-382-2058
**E-mail:** fawngroveborough@zoominternet.net

**Borough Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
9:00 am-2:00pm
*All other hours by appointment only*

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# FAWN GROVE
# OLDE TYME DAYS
## ANTIQUE TRACTOR SHOW

## JUNE 26 – 28, 2026

## FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

**PETTING ZOO**



**FOOD**



**VENDORS**



**FLEA MARKET**



**DISPLAYS**



**TRACTORS ★ DEMONSTRATIONS ★ MUSIC ★ FAMILY FUN**

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2026

- **8:00 AM:** Breakfast served
- **10:00 AM:** Show Opens
  Museum Opens
  Registration Opens
- **10:00 AM:** Baking Contest Opens
  @ Registration Stand
- **1:00 PM:** Cross Cut Saw Competition
- **4:00 PM:** Pedal Tractor Pulls @ Track
- **5:30 PM:** Tractor Games
- **7:00 PM:** Slow/Fast races
- **6:30-9:30 PM:** Band – Borderline
- **9:00 PM:** Museum Closes
- **10:00 PM:** Show Closes

### SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026

- **8:00 AM:** Breakfast served
- **8:30 AM:** Registration Opens
- **10:00 AM:** Show Opens
  Parade Starts
- **11:00 AM:** Cross Cut Saw Competition
- **11:30 AM–3:30 PM:** Band TBD
  (CHECK OUR FACEBOOK)
- **11:30 AM:** Tractor Drive Line up/Meeting
  @ Registration Stands
- **12:30 PM:** Baking Contest Registration Closes
  Drive Start
- **1:00 PM:** Museum Opens
  Registration Closes
- **1:00 PM:** Pedal Tractor Pulls @ Track
- **2:00 PM:** Garden Tractor Pulls
  Weight in 700lbs-1200lbs
- **4:00 PM:** Garden Tractor Pulls Start
  Baking Contest Awards Announced
- **5:30-9:30 PM:** Band – Blue Train
- **9:00 PM:** Museum Closes
- **10:00 PM:** Show Closes

### SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2026

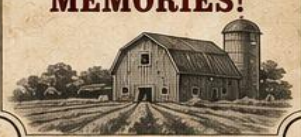
- **8:00 AM:** Antique Tractor Pull Weigh-in
- **8:00 AM:** Breakfast served
- **10:00 AM:** Antique Tractor Pulls Start
- **10:00 AM:** Show Opens
  Cowboy Church
  Registration Opens
- **11:30 AM:** Museum Opens
- **12:00-4:00 PM:** Dean Phillips & Friends
- **1:00 PM:** Registration Closes
- **5:00 PM:** Museum Closes
- **5:30 PM:** 2026 Raffle Drawings
- **6:00 PM:** Show Closes

★ FEATURE TRACTOR: ★
**ALLIS-CHALMERS**



ALLIS-CHALMERS

**STEP BACK IN TIME AND MAKE MEMORIES!**



★ FEATURED ENGINE: ★
**HERCULES**




HERCULES ENGINES

★ COME FOR THE TRACTORS, STAY FOR THE MEMORIES! ★

★ THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR RURAL HERITAGE! ★