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PAPA supports the youth of Phoenixville in becoming successful and productive adults through programs that have a positive impact on self-esteem and life-skills development.

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PAPA'S GOTTEN A FACE LIFT

Thanks to Mr. Harr, www.PAPAphx.org, has a fresh new look, with easy navigation, online registration, a volunteer application, and a calendar showing all that PAPA is doing (it's a busy time of year for us!) Please take some time to check out the new site and give us your feedback. We will be updating the site regularly with photos, news items, and new features. Become a frequent visitor! Your child's photo may be one added to the photo gallery if they participate in any PAPA program (Move Ahead, Fast Forward, LEGO League, Summer Basketball, PAPA LAX, etc). Contact any of the staff members easily, with any questions or comments. We look forward to your feedback.

PAPA LEGO ROBOTICS

Advanced Academics for this period has focused on Lego Robotics, and preparing students for competition. We currently have a team of 6 students. They have been working on designing a robot, made from legos and a small computer, to move in pre-determined directions, lift and move materials, and avoid obstacles. At the same time, the team has been working on a Science Fair Project, where they are attempting to design a car battery that will be more energy efficient, and more environmentally safe. The PAPA Lego team will be in competition on Saturday, January 9, at Oxford High School.



We're gearing up for the first PAPA sponsored video game competition on December 12, at Franklin Commons. Pre-registered players will strive to beat the crowds in Mario Kart™ and Madden NFL 10®. Games will be played on 50" flat screen televisions in the Franklin Commons Bistro.

We have three age brackets (12 and under, 13 to 17, and 18 and older) for each of the games. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three players in each game for the three age brackets. Interested players should sign up by [clicking here](#). The tournament runs from 10 am to 6pm. Each player will be assigned a time the week prior to the tournament for their first round.

HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR & FLEA MARKET

PAPA is making December 12 a great day for the whole family. At the same time as the Phoenixville Game Expo Challenge, we will be hosting our first craft fair and flea market at Franklin Commons. Come enjoy a bit of holiday shopping while the kids (and husband) play.

We are still accepting vendors for the event. If you are a crafter or have items you would like to sell for the flea market section, please contact Sandy Booth at sbooth@PAPAphx.org or 610-983-4110. Tables are \$25 and must be reserved prior to the event.



SIGN UP NOW FOR:

Photography 101:
Beginning January, 2010

Classes will be taught by Cary Moore, a professional photographer for more than 25 years, recently retired from Rohm and Haas. The class will focus on composition, lighting, and other photography elements starting with formal portraits and moving through stills and landscapes.

SAT Prep:
Beginning February, 2010

Classes will be taught to students planning to take the June SAT or later. The focus will be on math, reading and writing skills.

For more information on these classes, please call Brian Harr at 610-983-4110