Solebury resident Stephen Raab has a challenge for you: If Solebury and New Hope residents together contribute $50,000 to Central Bucks Ambulance (CBA), he will match those gifts by contributing $50,000 to the squad from the Norman Raab Foundation, a philanthropic organization dedicated to education and healthcare causes that his father started in 1968.

It won't be the first time Stephen has directed the foundation's giving to CBA. That's because he knows firsthand how important it is to have advanced life support services available when you need them.

"A number of years ago, I broke my neck and was paralyzed," he said.

CBA paramedics carried him to St. Mary Medical Center in Langhorne so he could be flown to Jefferson Hospital in Philadelphia for surgery.

"If the paramedics had done any number of things wrong along the way, I would be a quadriplegic today," Stephen noted. "But I was not permanently paralyzed. I am most grateful for how they handled me."

Role of Prior Giving

Since 2010, the Raab Foundation has donated $174,000 to CBA, not including the current challenge.

According to CBA Chief Charles Pressler, "We wouldn't be providing service in New Hope and Solebury if Stephen Raab hadn't provided that funding. He's been our biggest advocate."

The contributions enabled the squad to purchase two ambulances outfitted with advanced life support equipment (such as heart monitors, IVs, and advanced breathing equipment), and to pursue a partnership with Eagle Fire Co. that enables the squad to house the equipment, and to pursue a partnership with Eagle Fire Co. that enables the squad to house the equipment, and to pursue a partnership with Eagle Fire Co. that enables the squad to house the vehicles at the firehouse.

Previously, when a call requiring advanced life support came from Solebury, the ambulance came from Doylestown.

"If you live in Village 2 and you have a heart attack," Stephen illustrated, "and the ambulance has to get to you from Doylestown, if you're lucky, it can take them 20 minutes. With advanced life support based in New Hope, they can get there in 4 minutes."

Providing service from New Hope reduced CBA's average response time from 14 minutes to 5 minutes, the chief said.

Service Quality

Advanced life support is perhaps most critical when a heart attack is at issue.

In these cases, CBA and Doylestown Hospital work together closely to provide a coordinated response that minimizes duplication of effort.

Paramedics stabilize and monitor the patient from the ambulance, which allows hospital staff to move him or her more quickly to emergency catheterization when the ambulance arrives.

The industry standard for the ideal time an ambulance takes to go from the heart attack patient's door to "balloon time" (catheterization) is 90 minutes, but as a result of this coordinated effort, CBA was recognized by Thomson Reuters in 2012 as second in the country for an average "door-to-balloon-time" of just 60.2 minutes.

"Lives are saved because all of us are working together to do something good," Chief Pressler said.

Your Help Is Needed

Ambulances and advanced life support equipment are currently available to Solebury residents from the Eagle Fire Co. from 7 AM to 7 PM, seven days a week, but your help is needed to sustain these services.

CBA annual contributions must pay for the staffing of these daytime services, which comes to about $130,000 per year (one person at a time, 12-hours a day, 7 days a week, plus benefits), the chief said.

CBA's annual fund drive typically gets a four-to-seven-percent return from the residents in Solebury and New Hope, but Stephen is hoping that his foundation's incentive grant motivates residents to up their giving.

You may still have the mailer CBA sent earlier in the month. If not, you can make a tax-deductible donation online (www.eba-125.org) or mail it to Central Bucks Ambulance, 455 East St., Doylestown, PA, 18901.
Dear Taxpayer:

Through the Solebury Messenger, the Board of Supervisors gives you, the taxpayer, firsthand information about Township matters. In these pages, you will read about what is being done to preserve and improve the quality of life as you know it, as well as how your hard-earned tax dollars are being spent.

The Solebury Messenger is created by Kay Hayes and Marie Collins, of School Window Publications; the newsletter celebrated its 15-year anniversary with the publication of the Nov. 2010 issue.

This bimonthly periodical is primarily ad-sponsored—a method which allows the Township to provide taxpayers with six professional newsletters each year for a fraction of the actual cost. To place an advertisement supporting this periodical, contact Kay (609-397-8483 or ads.schoolwindow@gmail.com).

If you live in the Township, but are not currently receiving a copy of the Solebury Messenger through the mail, please contact Kay so that she can add your name and address to our mailing list.

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Solebury Police, like many other police departments across the country, are now using the social media outlets Facebook and Twitter to keep residents informed and up to date about recent events and to provide information during emergencies.

The department anticipates that the sites will enhance police communication with the local community. The officers plan to post information about:

- Road closures
- Special community events
- Traffic delays
- Criminal activity
- Traffic enforcement details
- Pa. motor vehicle and criminal laws
- Informational tools
- Other useful links
- Weather/storms
- Other emergencies

Registered Facebook and Twitter users who “like” the Solebury Police Facebook page and/or the @soleburypolice Twitter page will receive notices of Solebury Police information on their home pages.

Police Urge Caution Around Motorcycles

The return of warm weather brings the usual increase in the number of motorcycles on Township roads.

To help avoid accidents and injuries, the Solebury Police Dept. urges residents to be cautious when sharing the road with motorcycles—particularly when turning onto Township roads from blind driveways and intersections.

“Motorcycles are sometimes difficult to see and extra caution must be taken,” noted Police Chief Dominick Bellizzie. “Noise is another problem related to motorcycles at this time of year,” he said. “The police department will be vigilant and will do everything legally possible to ensure that all motorcycles operated in the Township have proper muffler systems.”

Residents who have particular concerns or questions about motorcycles may contact the Solebury Township Police department at 215-297-8201.

Together, Solebury Police and other Bucks County Police Departments collected 6,710.40 pounds of expired, unwanted, or unused prescription medicines, including controlled substances and other drugs, during the spring National Prescription Drug Take-Back.

That’s more than any other county in PA!

Once surrendered, law enforcement disposes of the drugs in a safe, environmentally friendly manner.
Seasonal Safety

Solebury Township recommends preparing for severe storms before they strike and offers the following tips to help reduce potential damage, injury, and frustration before and after storm-related power outages.

The special insert in this issue of the Solebury Messenger was designed as a pullout you can hang on the refrigerator as a checklist during storm-related power outages. The tips on these inside pages can help you both prepare for a storm outage and get back to normal when it passes.

What Will You Need?

Consider storing the items below in a crate or basket so you can locate them easily in an emergency:
- Battery-powered flashlights or lanterns (much safer than candles)
- A standard non-cordless landline phone for emergency calls (cordless landline phones require electricity)
- A battery-powered clock and radio
- Extra batteries in sizes and quantities appropriate to the appliances that use them
- Car chargers for cellphones, smartphones, and tablets
- A manual can opener

Store these items in your pantry, basement, or garage:
- Bottled or purified drinking water (two quarts a day per person and pet for drinking, plus more for cooking)
- Nonperishable food items (peanut butter, canned items, nutrition bars, etc.), including pet food
- Pre-moistened disposable wipes and/or hand sanitizer
- A first-aid kit

How to Store Household Water for Emergencies

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, clean tap water can be stored for up to six months in sanitized soda bottles or milk jugs with screw-on tops. After six months, use the water for other purposes, sanitize again, and refill.

To sanitize the bottles:
- Wash the bottles with warm (not hot) soapy water.
- Fill with water plus a teaspoon of bleach per quart, let it sit for two minutes, then empty and rinse with potable water.
- Fill the sanitized jugs with tap water, cap tightly, and label with “drinking water” and the date.
- Store in a cool, dark, dry place.

What If You Have to Evacuate?

Pack a go-bag for each member of your family using backpacks or other easy-to-carry totes. The idea is to include only the essentials the family member would need in the event of an evacuation. Attach an I.D. tag to each bag and include at least the following:
- A few changes of weather-appropriate clothing
- Warm clothes for layering (e.g., sweater, jacket, hat) and rain gear
- Socks and sturdy shoes
- Toothbrush, toothpaste, hair brush/comb, deodorant
- Toilet paper, tissues, soap, shampoo
- Moist wipes and/or hand sanitizer
- A blanket or sleeping bag
- A personal flashlight
- Medications (with dosage instructions), eyeglasses/contacts, hearing aids, and a copy of relevant health insurance cards
- Identifying information and photos
- Emergency contact numbers

If you have to evacuate, don’t forget to grab that much-loved toy your child needs to go to sleep. The following items should be included in an adult’s bag:
- Emergency cash
- A spare set of house and vehicles keys
- A pocketknife
- First aid supplies
- Copies of important documents
- Cellphone and charger

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Don’t Forget Your Pets!

When creating your go-bag, it’s a good idea to pack one for each of your pets, too. Anticipate a kennel stay, in case the animal has to be sheltered without you. You may need:

- A three-to-five-day supply of food and water, plus feeding instructions and bowls
- A manual can opener for wet food
- Copies of your animal’s health records (including proof of vaccinations and a list of the medications your pet takes regularly, with dosage instructions)
- An animal first-aid kit, including any medications your pet needs and an antihistamine for stings and other allergic reactions. (You may want to dose them with flea and tick ointment beforehand to prevent a potential infestation in close quarters.)
- Toys and treats
- A collar and leash with license and ID
- Contact information for you, plus a photo of your pet for identification
- Contact information for your veterinarian, plus any emergency animal clinics you use
- Litter, litter box, scoop, and waste bags for cats
- Waste bags for dogs
- Paper towels, disposable wipes, and any other cleaning supplies your pet may need

Post-Storm Safety

- When power returns, wait a few minutes and plug appliances back in one at a time
- Trees and post-storm debris can hide power lines that have fallen. A metal fence, a pond, or standing water could be energized by lines touching them elsewhere. Even the ground can be energized near fallen lines. Never touch them, and stay at least 20 feet away
- During post-storm clean up, don’t pile debris on the road or near utility poles or other electrical devices, which can make it difficult for repair crews to access power lines
- Make a list of items you wish you had on hand and restock for the next emergency

Get the Emergency Alerts You Need, the Way You Need Them

Q. Do you want to be notified about serious regional weather emergencies only?
A. Visit ReadyNotifyPA.org and click Bucks County. Choose an option in the left-hand menu, or use the “Click Here to Register” button to sign up. Specify only the contact information by which you want to be notified. On the next page, check only the Weather Warnings option. Record your username and password. You can change your options anytime by logging in.

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Keeping Township Streams and Creeks Healthy

The Solebury Environmental Advisory Committee asks all homeowners to help keep Township streams and creeks healthy by properly disposing of yard waste, such as leaves, grass clippings, weeds, pruning waste, brush, and twigs.

Although some homeowners commonly dispose of yard waste in or near storm drains or stream beds, it is not a good practice and can negatively impact the environment and community.

Instead, the Township strongly encourages residents to compost yard waste on their properties, or to team up with neighbors who practice composting and value the additional raw material.

Impact on Water Quality

Yard waste that decomposes in creeks and rivers gradually depletes oxygen from the water, which harms the aquatic habitat: Fish and other aquatic life cannot survive in water with low oxygen.

Also, the decomposition process releases plant nutrients such as nitrogen and phosphorus into the water, which promotes excessive algae growth. When the nutrients are not absorbed by plants, it can cloud the water and harm fish. The decomposition of short-lived algae further contributes to this downward cycle.

As water becomes polluted in this manner, it also creates a human health hazard.

Impact on Erosion

Some leaves and woody debris naturally accumulate in streams and creeks. However, when yard waste is deposited along creek beds, the added “load” can prevent the growth of the natural vegetation that stabilizes the bank, thereby increasing the potential for erosion, sedimentation, and stormwater impacts.

When the yard waste makes it into the waterway itself, it can create blockages that inhibit proper drainage and further impact water quality, the direction of runoff, and the health of the aquatic habitat.

What You Can Do?

- Never place yard waste in or near storm drains.
- Don’t sweep or blow grass clippings or leaves into the street, because it may wash into a storm drain.
- Don’t dump yard waste near a waterway or in an area where it could wash into a waterway.
- Control soil erosion on your property by planting native trees and groundcover to stabilize erosion-prone areas.
- Compost your yard waste.
- Mow grass on a higher setting and leave the clippings on the lawn, which will help it retain moisture and will provide nutrients to the soil as the clippings decompose.
- Do not overwater your lawn or garden, which can cause fertilizers to leach into ground and surface water.

Planning an Addition or Renovation?

Be smart: Talk to the Township first. We can help you navigate the Township’s forms, approval process, codes, and zoning regulations.

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SUMMER ADVENTURE CAMP 2013

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NH-S Upper Elementary School,
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To keep abreast of local sports news, visit these websites:
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