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Mr. Paccione served on the Park and Recreation Board for two years; the Zoning Hearing Board for two years; and is currently serving his fifth year as Supervisor. He and his wife, Lucy, and their three boys have lived in Lower Gwynedd Township for the past 10 years.

n Tuesday, January 16th the Board of Supervisors approved an Amended Settlement Agreement with Stoltz Management group. This will allow for the improvements at the Spring House Village Shopping Center that will include the relocation of Whole Foods from Montgomeryville, a CVS and Arpeggio and Starbucks. The staff and the Board of Supervisors worked intensely with the developer over the last six months of 2014 to make this happen. The process now goes to land-development and outside agency approvals. Look for a late 2016 opening.

On the fiscal front, and thanks to the collective efforts of the Supervisors, staff and various department heads, who have held the line on expenses, we have a balanced budget and yet another year without a tax increase.

This past Veterans' Day, a group of Lower Gwynedd Township volunteers organized the first Annual Veterans' Day Ceremony honoring all of our Veterans. The event was well attended and plans are under way for the second Annual Veteran's Day Ceremony scheduled for November 7, 2015.

Events like this could not be possible without the many residents who generously volunteer their time. Thank you to all of our Volunteers.

The Board of Supervisors encourages your comments and suggestions via email at supervisors@lowergwynedd.org.

Stephen Paccione, Chairman, Board of Supervisors

#### LIEUTENANT BRUCE HAMES RETIRES



Please join us in congratulating Lieutenant Bruce Hames on reaching the end of his long and decorated career with Lower Gwynedd. Bruce began his career as a police officer in Ambler in 1977 before joining the force in Lower Gwynedd in 1985. He has worked his way up through the ranks and held many positions within the department in his thirty plus years before landing at his current rank. The department wishes Bruce and Cindy a very happy retirement!!!

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#### LOWER GWYNEDD BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

2015 promises to be another exciting year for the Lower Gwynedd Business Association. The organization started the year on a philanthropic note, hosting a successful food drive for the Mattie Dixon Community Cubbard in Ambler, PA. Special thanks to the following member businesses for participating as collection points for the food drive: Ambler Savings, Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Fox and Roach,



Canine Country, Gwynedd Dental Association, Harth Builders, Leo Mortgage, Sierchio and Towsey Certified Public Accountants, Spring House Property and Management Association, Spring House Tavern, Spring House Travel, Valleygreen Flowers and Gifts, Village Pharmacy, and the YMCA.

Mattie Dixon is still in need of contributions. Donations of food items, toiletries, soap, paper goods, detergent, clothing, bedding, as well as financial contributions, are always welcome and can be dropped off at their location on Main Street in Ambler on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m., and from 12 to 2 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Many more events are planned for the remainder of the year. Be sure to save the following dates on your calendar:

- April 22nd—LGBA Business Social at Spring House Tavern from 5-7 p.m. Larry Comunale will briefly speak and be available for questions and discussions during the evening
- May 14th—LGBA Lunch and Learn at Andy's Diner from 11:30 a.m. -1 p.m. Kristin Kane of Kane Partners LLC will discuss Social Media best practices for small businesses

*Like the LGBA Facebook page to receive regular updates on these events and others in your news feed.* 

The LGBA recently updated its membership directory and map—a copy of which you will find within this newsletter. As you plan

purchases of goods and services, we encourage you to use this directory and shop local businesses first. Bergey's Ford, Inc. is sponsoring this year's map in celebration of their 15 year anniversary of being in Lower Gwynedd Township and the current construction of their new facility on N. Bethlehem Pike. Their team of 35 employees expects to move into the new space this summer.

"This is an exciting time of new beginnings for us. We have made the commitment to invest in both our Ford dealership and Lower Gwynedd Township, replacing very aged buildings with a new modern facility designed to better serve our customers, employees, and the community," explained Luke Bergey, President of Bergey's Ford, Inc. Both sides of the street will be refreshed and improved, enhancing their appearance for the many travelers that pass by it each day.

The new layout will make navigating the dealership easier indoors, as well as outside on their lot. All services will be conveniently located in one building, rather than two separate buildings. Added amenities will include customer lounges, a children's play area, and a service drive-in lane. The Ford Quick Lane will offer routine mechanical services for vehicles of all makes and models while customers wait, no appointment needed.

"We look forward to providing the best car buying and service experience possible," said Bergey, whose great-grandfather started the family business 90 years ago, "while maintaining our traditional no pressure, treat each customer like we want to be treated way of doing business."

The LGBA is grateful for the generous support of Bergey's Ford and looks forward to hosting an open house at their renovated facility in the fall.

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LOWER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP 2015 SPRING/SUMMER MEETING SCHEDULE

All meetings to be held in the Administrative Office at 1130 North Bethlehem Pike, Spring House

	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (7:30 PM)	ZONING HEARING BOARD (7:30 PM)	PLANNING COMMISSION (7:00 PM)	PARK AND RECREATION (6:00 PM)	GWYNEED GREEN	MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY (7:30 PM)
MARCH	11 and 25	13	19	25	18	12
APRIL	8 and 22	10	16	22	15	9
MAY	27	8	21	27	20	14
JUNE	24	12	18	24	17	11
JULY	22	10	16	22	15	9
AUGUST	26	14	20	N/A	19	N/A

#### Deadline for Submissions: Zoning Hearing Board 30 days prior to scheduled meeting Planning Commission last day of month prior to scheduled meeting

TOWNSHIP HOLIDAYS are as follows: April 3 (Good Friday) May 25 (Memorial Day) July 3 (Independence Day Holiday)

September 7 (Labor Day) October 12 (Columbus Day)

Primary Election Day: Tuesday, May 19, 2015

#### **CITIZEN OF THE YEAR - HANK STOEBENAU**

Hank Stoebenau has been a resident of Lower Gwynedd Township since 1978. Hank received his B. A. in Chemistry from LaSalle University and his M. S. in Chemistry from Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT.

Hank was employed at Rohm & Haas Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from 1968 to 2001. He worked various roles including: development chemist; technical sales representative; marketing and sales management positions; The Academy of Natural Sciences as a representative of Rohm & Haas; and Manager of International Trade Affairs.

In 2001, he became President of Efficient Global Trade, Inc. which provided clients with support services for import/export tariff management in the chemical industry and retired in 2011.



L TO R: Larry Comunale, Township Manager; Barbara Stoebenau; Hank Stoebenau; Kathleen Hunsicker, Vice-Chair.

Hank has been a volunteer pilot for Angel Flight East since 2002 to present and is currently a member of their Board of Trustees. The mission of Angel Flight East is to provide free air transportation to qualified patients and their families by arranging flights to distant medical facilities, delivering supplies to disaster areas, and reuniting families during desperate times. The volunteer pilots use their private planes to fly the patients to their destinations. These pilots pay for all expenses for each flight request.

Hank has been a member of the Lower Gwynedd Municipal Authority since 2006. He also has been a member of the Board of Directors for both the Wood Bridge Meadow Homeowners Association and the Wings Field Preservation Association since 2012.

Hank is married to Barbara and they have two wonderful children, Kirsten and Christopher, and three grandchildren, Alexa, Ayli and Kieran.

#### SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Lower Gwynedd Police and the Wissahickon School District have Lteamed up to provide an additional resource available to students. The creation of a School Resource Officer (SRO) program has further opened the line of communication between the school community and the police department. The SRO is a visible police presence in the Wissahickon schools every day the students are present. The purpose of having the same visible, uniformed police officer, is to establish trust and build relationships. Once relationships are forged, information is more apt to be spread. Thus the goal of keeping our community safe is an easier one to achieve.

Officer Beth Sanborn, and other qualified candidates, expressed immediate interest in this position. The decision was difficult, but Officer Sanborn was selected and has already established herself as a positive resource with the students. Her days involve walking the hallways and conversing with students and staff. She meets regularly with the administrative staff, parents, and students. She has even gone so far as make herself available 24 hours a day, as needed, if a student is in crisis.



Top Row L to R: Chief Paul Kenny, Chairman, Stephen Paccione. Bottom Row L to R: Lyn Fields, Wissahickon High School Principal, SRO Beth Sanborn, Wissahickon School District, Superintendent, Judy Clark.

Officer Sanborn's role at the school is a positive one. This position is being welcomed with open arms and I believe Lower Gwynedd Township, Wissahickon School District, the community, and our residents will all benefit from this proactive, protective measure.





Kathleen Hunsicker, Vice-Chair and Dr. Kathleen Owens, President, Gwynedd Mercy University at the University's Annual Christmas Reception and Concert.

SIGN UP FOR NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS ON THE WEBSITE



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#### WISSAHICKON FIRE COMPANY



The Wissahickon Fire Company protects the 17,500 residents of Ambler Borough and Lower Gwynedd Township through two fire stations. In 2014, the fire company responded to 664 calls.

Ushering in 2015, Wissahickon Fire Company welcomed newly-elected Chief, Philip Koller, while offering their gratitude to outgoing Chief, John Leadbeater, for his seven years of service.

The company will soon be replacing their heavy rescue vehicle with a new E-One rescue truck to complement its operation of two engines, a rescue engine, two fire police units, an aerial and two marine units. In January, three members of the Wissahickon Fire Company, Rob Harris, Andy Bell and Al Comly (*pictured on left*), participated in an Ice Rescue Training in York County, further expanding available services.

Serving the community for 124 years, this organization is comprised of volunteers who are highly trained, dedicated and caring people. While many volunteers serve as firefighters, there are also special fire police and administrative personnel. For more information on volunteering, please call 215-646-1266 or visit www.station7.org.

The Wissahickon Fire Company wishes to extend their thanks to the residents of Ambler Borough and Lower Gwynedd for their continued donations and support.

#### 2015 YARD WASTE COLLECTION DATES FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT CUSTOMERS

• April 4, 2015 • May 2, 2015

All YARD Waste should be placed at the curbside by 6:00 AM on these days in biodegradable bags.

#### LOWER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP TO HOST A FREE ELECTRONIC RECYCLING AND PAPER SHREDDING EVENT ON APRIL 11, 2015 FOR TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS FROM 8:00 A.M. TO NOON.

It's Spring! Time to de-clutter your home of obsolete and unwanted electronics and paper. Lower Gwynedd Township is proud to sponsor a recycling collection event on April 11, 2015 from 8 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the township building located at 1130 North Bethlehem Pike in Spring House, PA. Fill up your car and our trained staff will unload it while you stay in the comfort of your vehicle!

This special e-waste recycling collection event is intended for items that are typically purchased during the year like toys, computers, laptops, flat-screen televisions, cell phones, mobile devices, small household appliances, and much more. "Anything with a Plug<sup>™</sup>" will be accepted and recycled…except large appliances, smoke detectors, and rear-projection TVs.

All materials collected will be recycled in an environmentally friendly manner and for your security, ALL media data that are collected are destroyed. This FREE service is provided by Lower Gwynedd Township and all material collected will be





processed by eForce Compliance, the first dual certified electronic recycler in the Delaware Valley. eForce provides a full staff of professional e-waste experts to handle and transport all material collected, and in the process creates sustainable green jobs. For more information about eForce Compliance and the types of materials we accept and recycle, visit our web site at www.eforcecompliance.com or give us a call at 215.964.6665.

Any bills, invoices, bank statements, credit card statements, payroll stubs, tax records, insurance records, medical records or any other sensitive material can be brought to the Township facility to be shredded on site by Shred One Security Corp.

#### LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

Lower Gwynedd Township asks that property owners maintain their roadside landscaping and trees. Roadside landscaping and trees that are not maintained and stick out into the roadway become a safety issue for the pedestrians and motorist using the Township Roadways. All roadside landscaping and trees must be trimmed back approximately 1 foot behind the face of the curb line or edge of pavement and to a minimum height of 13 feet. Corner property owners and owners that reside on the inside curvature of a roadway must take extra care to make sure their landscaping does not interfere with sight line distances. Properly maintained landscaping allows for safe passage of pedestrians and motorist that are using our roadways.

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#### **ROAD PROGRAM**

 $\mathbf{F}$  for the 2015 road program Lower Gwynedd Township is scheduled to complete roadwork on 4.15 miles of the 49 miles of roadway the Township is responsible to maintain. The roadwork will consist of asphalt base repair, asphalt wearing course and micro-surfacing. The following roadways are scheduled to be repaired and paved this upcoming summer.

Turnbury Lane (Between Meeting House Road & Tanglewood Drive) Laura Lane Lindsay Drive Swedesford Road (Between Sumneytown Pike & School House Lane) Pershing Road Gwynedd Avenue (Between Gypsy Hill Road & the Dead End)

Township Line Road (From Penllyn Pike into Penllyn Woods Park) McKean Road Houston Road (Between Knight Road & Pen Ambler Road) Wharton Circle School House Lane Brushtown Road Regency Circle Gladestry Lane

#### Frequently asked questions:

#### 1) How do I get a recycle bin?

Please call Waste Management at 1-800-328-1717

- 2) Can I drop off prescription drugs at the township?
- April 11, 2015 the Township will be collecting prescription drugs.
  3) Does Lower Gwynedd Township have a leash law?
- ☆ No, however, dogs must be under control of the owner at all times.

#### 4) What period does my sewer bill cover?

☆ Metered properties are charged a sewer rental fee for the current quarter. Added to that are overages from the previous period if any. 5) I would like to speak to a Lower Gwynedd police officer, but it's not an emergency? What phone number should I call?

- ☆ Please call 215-646-5300 to be connected with county radio.
- 6) Do I need a Use and Occupancy Permit to sell or purchase a home in Lower Cowrodd?

#### home in Lower Gwynedd?

☆ No permit is required, unless you are purchasing a new home or a new commercial structure.

#### 7) Do I need a permit to solicit in Lower Gwynedd Township?

☆ Yes. You must have a state criminal background check, photo ID and will be fingerprinted. The fees are \$40.00/day per person or \$200.00/7days per person.

#### SPRING YARD CARE TIPS



#### TO IMPROVE YOUR YARD IN A GREEN WAY AND HELP PREVENT STORMWATER POLLUTION, PLANT A LARGE STATURE TREE

Large trees are great stormwater control. At maturity, they intercept over 1,000 gallons of rainwater each year. Their foliage and bark reduce runoff by intercepting rainfall, and their broad leaf canopies also reduce the force of rain hitting the soil, reducing erosion. Where possible, plant a large broad leaf tree such

as an oak, maple, or black gum. Avoid pruning their crowns to allow full canopies to develop.

#### CONSIDER PLANTING NATURAL, WARM SEASON GRASSES

Explore converting a corner of your property to native warm season grasses. Their extensive roots of 3 to 7 feet deep enrich the soil and absorb many times the amount of rainwater that turf grass does. It also helps to filter out harmful

nutrients which degrade our streams. Cut down stalks of existing ornamental and native warm season grasses that have been left over from the winter for bird habitat.

#### GET YOUR SOIL TESTED BEFORE FERTILIZING

Healthy soil grows healthy turf which can absorb more rainwater.

Purchase a soil test kit from your local Penn State extension and submit soil samples from your lawn to determine the nutrients that may be lacking. Visit www.aasl.psu.edu for more information.

#### LEAVE GRASS CLIPPINGS LAY FOR A FREE FERTILIZER ALTERNATIVE

- Cut grass at 2½ to 3 inches tall. Mow often enough so that clippings are not longer than one third (1/3) of the grass blade, so they can decompose easily into the soil.
- Excess nitrogen and phosphorus from lawn fertilization are frequent pollutants to streams, fostering the growth of algae which deplete oxygen levels, harming fish. Spare your stream by avoiding spring fertilization and leave your grass clippings on your lawn instead. Grass clippings supply between



Volcano mulching suffocates surface roots of trees.

25% and 50% of nitrogen and phosphorus needs.

#### MULCH AROUND TREES PROPERLY

Mulched beds trap and infiltrate more rainwater than lawn or bare soil. Spread out any excess mulch away from trees and shrubs, making sure the tree's "flare" is exposed and allowing it to decompose. Top off with a thin layer of fresh mulch, making sure the mulch is no deeper than 3" and does not touch the tree bark. Never spread fresh woodchips around trees or shrubs as their decomposition may harm plants.



#### **GWYNEDD MERCY UNIVERSITY GETS BAT HOUSES**



Lower Gwynedd resident and Eagle Scout Ryan Grey center left rear, pictured here with the Gwynedd Mercy University Science club; Stacey Lattini , Ph.D. Professor Biology department, and her family; Dick Target, Chairman Lower Gwynedd Parks and Rec and Ambler Rotary Club Executive and Mark Grey, Lower Gwynedd Township Supervisor, Scout leader and Gwynedd Green committee member. Taking the photo Lisa McGarry, Ph.D. Dean, School of Arts & Sciences



Ryan Grey, a member of Boy Scout Troop 540, decided to construct bat houses as the final project on his trail to Eagle. Ryan came to understand the problem bats were having with habitats through the efforts of his father, Mark Grey, and the work of the township's Gwynedd Green Committee. The Committee had decided to build wooden bat houses and install them on trees and posts across the township to help the bats repopulate their numbers. According to Ryan "I was certain this was something I could help with and thought it would make a great Eagle Scout project". Eagle Scout is the highest rank in Boy Scouts. In 2013, approximately 4 percent of all Boy Scouts earned the Eagle Scout rank which was first awarded in 1912.

According to the United States Geological Society, "since the winter of 2007-2008, millions of bats have died from a devastating disease known as White-nose syndrome. The disease is named for the white fungus, Pseudogymnoascus destructans, which infects skin of the muzzle, ears and wings of hibernating bats." The disease somehow causes bats to wake up from their deep sleep in the middle of winter, which ultimately kills them from exposure and starvation. Currently, there is no treatment for the disease available for the bats, causing



the population to drastically decrease by over 80% in the Northeast alone.

Gwynedd Mercy University is in a consortium of Schools that are researching the disease. Recently a senior Biology student did an in depth research study concerning the White-nose syndrome. The White Nose Syndrome killed thousands of Bats in Eastern PA, NJ and Delaware according to the thesis. These houses will enable the Bats to replenish their population and control the insect population in the area. Ryan and the students installed seven bat houses around the campus. Donations for the materials were provided by the Ambler Rotary Club.

#### WELCOME TO BIRD TOWN! WHAT DO THOSE SIGNS MEAN? By Steven Saffier, Audubon Pennsylvania



Lower Gwynedd Township has become the 24th Audubon Bird Town in Pennsylvania and the fifth Lin Montgomery County. The township's environmental committee, Gwynedd Green, will work closely with Audubon Pennsylvania and community partners to provide information to residents on ways to create healthier, more sustainable and bird-friendly landscapes while addressing issues such as stormwater management and pesticide usage.

The Township is in the Wissahickon watershed, an area of land that contains quality habitat and a critical part of the Atlantic Flyway, the super-highway of bird migration. Lower Gwynedd, with its open space, trail system, and wooded developments, provides rich resources to wildlife and opportunities for people experience nature in their backyard and beyond.

Homes and other properties can be an important part of healthy habitat and can be recognized through Audubon's Bird Habitat Network; residents can register their property, learn more about how to care for the nature around them, and receive incentives such as a business discount card. Homeowners can go to http://pa.audubon.org and select the "register your yard" button to start. There is useful information on the website to help you improve your ecological footprint.

Stewardship workshops, bird walks, and other presentations are being scheduled for Bird Town residents. Please check the website and be sure to like us on Facebook (birdtownpa) where updates are posted.

Audubon is proud to be working with Lower Gwynedd Township and looks forward to many years of nature education and improved landscapes for birds and people! For more information, please contact Steven Saffier of the Gwynedd Green Committee ssaffier@audubon.org.

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Fitness	Fitness & Recreation
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<b>76</b> B2	PGA Philadelphia Section • 1009 Penllyn Pike (215) 886-7742 • www.Philadelphia.PGA.com
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B5 Ambler Area YMCA · 1325 McKean Road (215) 628-9950 · www.PhilaYMCA.org	(215) 793-4883 · www.TLGSpringHousePA.com

- Anton B. Urban Funeral Home 1111 S. Bethlehem Pike
- 20 F4 Shaeff-Myers Funeral Home 145 Tennis Avenue (215) 646-0595 · www.OneFromHeart.com/FuneralHome (215) 646-8556 · www.UrbanFuneralHome.com
- Hair & Nails
- Dirty Blonde Salon · 901 N. Bethlehem Pike · (215) 643-5833
   Made Ya Look · 821 N. Bethlehem Pike
   (7) 5) 646-1335 . www. MadeYal ook biz
- (215) 646-1335 · www.MadeYaLook.biz
- D3 Ultimate Illusions Hair Salon 901 N. Bethlehem Pike · (215) 619-4780

# Home Improvement

- B3 Blue Bell Kitchens 1104 N. Bethlehem Pike (215) 646-5442 www.BlueBellKitchens.com
- 묘 **Eagle Kitchens & Design Studio, LLC** 903 N. Bethlehem Pike • (215) 641-1900 www.Eagle-Kitchens.com
- **Ernst Brothers Designers & Builders**

- 쁎 ន 1104 N. Bethlehem Pike · (215) 453-5124 · www.ErnstBrothers.com
- Harth Builders Design Build Remodelers
- Old Village Master Painters 952 Penllyn Pike · (215) 654-0364 · www.HarthBuilders.com
- www.OldVillageMasterPainters.com PO Box 165 Gwynedd Valley, PA 19437 · (215) 540-0196
- (215) 646-0889 · www.RockSolidPA.com Rock Solid Foundation & Structural Repair
- 83 D3 SGO Designer Glass · 903 N. Bethlehem Pike
- <mark>ස</mark> (215) 646-5077 · www.SGOpa.com
- Spring House Window & Door 908 N. Bethlehem Pike (215) 283-9000 www.GoSpringhouse.com

### Insurance

- 3 Allstate Insurance · 809 N. Bethlehem Pike · (215) 643-7240 www.AllStateAgencies.com/DDougherty/Welcome
- Bruckner Insurance Agency · 805 N. Bethlehem Pike, (215) 542-2999 · www.BrucknerInsurance.com
- Miller Insurance Associates
   Scontorrictory Dock (215) 646 550 Norristown Road · (215) 646-0550 · www.miapro.com







### Village Pharmacy at Spring House 1121 N. Bethlehem Pike, Suite 40 · (215) 646-1691 Artisans 3 Gallery · 901 N. Bethlehem Pike, #903 (215) 643-4504 · www.Artisans3Gallery.com Cotswold Home · 901 N. Bethlehem Pike · (215) 646-7900 www.VillagePharmacyAtSpringHouse.com

- Frame Cellar · 1000 N. Bethlehem Pike · (215) 646-1890
- Wallpaper Studio www.FrameCellarIncAndWallPaperStudio.weebly.com

(215) 646-8840 · www.Sherwin-Williams.com Sherwin Williams · 1121 N. Bethlehem Pike, Suite 10 www.FrameCellarIncAndWallPaperStudio.weebly.com 1000 N. Bethlehem Pike · (215) 643-5708

## Technology

(215) 540-8005 · www.WirelessZone.com/ambler Verizon Wireless Zone · 912 N. Bethlehem Pike

### Services

- Bergey's Ford · 700 N. Bethlehem Pike
- (215) 793-3700 · www.BergeysFord.com
- Hannum's Automotive Services · 1100 N. Bethlehem Pike
- (215) 628-8747 · www.GulfOil.com/StationLocator.aspx
- Nelson & Campbell Auto Tags · 909 N. Bethlehem Pike (215) 542-9501 · www.NelsonsAutoTagsInc.com
- RJS Auto Tags & Notary · 1009 N. Bethlehem Pike (215) 542-5858 · www.RobertJStillwell.com
- West German BMW · 525 N. Bethlehem Pike
- (215) 643-3322 · www.WestGermanMotors.com

### Cleaners

3 Lisa's Cleaners · 1008 N. Bethlehem Pike (215) 654-0720

# **Commercial Cleaning**

- Heits Building Services · 650 Sentry Parkway, Suite 208 Blue Bell, PA 19422 · (484) 532-7269
- www.HeitsMidAtlantic.com

# **Community Services**

- T.H.A.N.K.S. The Helping a Needy Kid Society 1455 Sloan Way. (610) 805-8060 · www.ThankSociety.org

# Construction

Sal Paone Builder · 1120 N. Bethlehem Pike · PO Box 280 (215) 542-1331 · www.SalPaoneBuilder.com

## Education

Club Z! In-Home Tutoring Services
 1121 N. Bethlehem Pike, 60-157 · (610) 226-2001

# www.ClubZTutoring.com

# Electrical Inspection

- 716 N. Bethlehem Pike, Suite 300 (215) 542-9977 · www.UnitedInspectionAgency.com

# (215) 358-0197 · www.MooneyBrokers.com Mooney Insurance Brokers

83 A3 Smith Insurance Associates, Inc. 1120 N. Bethlehem Pike, 2nd Floor

Valleygreen Flowers and Gifts · 1013 N. Bethlehem Pike

(215) 628-3550 · www.ValleyGreenFlowers.com

- State Farm Insurance · Linda M. Ervin (215) 542-5959 ext.113 · www.SmithInsurance.com
- Robert J. Stillwell Insurance Agency 901 N. Bethlehem Pike · (215) 643-4070 · www.LindaErvin.net

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- 12 www.RobertJStillwell.com 1009 N. Bethlehem Pike · (215) 643-3490
- 뿬 Summit Land Transfer, Inc. 909 Sumneytown Pike, Suite 108 · (215) 654-1500

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### Land Planning www.SummitLandInc.com

Woodrow & Associates · 1108 N. Bethlehem Pike, Suite 5 (215) 542-5648 · www.WoodrowAssociates.com

### Law

8 C3 Law Office of Margaret S. Phiambolis 1012 N. Bethlehem Pike, Suite 103 (215) 628-8227 · www.PhiambolisLaw.com

# Marketing

# 100 C3 Inertia Marketing and Design

1018 N. Bethlehem Pike, Suite 201A · (267) 470-4070 x. 11 www.InertiaMoves.com

Pet Care Canine Country, Inc. · 617 N. Bethlehem Pike, Suite A (215) 641-9663 · www.CanineCountry.org

## Real Estate

- **(0)** A Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Fox & Roach, Realtors 1600 N. Bethlehem Pike, Suite 100 (215) 542-1770 · www.FoxRoach.com
- **R** D3 Equity Appraisal Co. 909 N. Bethlehem Pike, Suite 201 · (215) 646-6688
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- 0 ន PG Commercial Real Estate · 1012 Bethlehem Pike Pike, Suite 100 · (215) 913-5000 · www.Rheta.com
- (215) 793-0406 · www.PGOfficeSpace.com
- 8 ន Spring House Properties · 1012 N. Bethlehem Pike, Suite 100 (215) 646-1505
- 54 Somerset Properties · 768 N. Bethlehem Pike, Suite 203 (215) 283-2960 · www.SomProp.com

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- Stoltz Management Company · 725 Conshohocken State Road
- 74 Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004 · (610) 667-5800 · www.StoltzUSA.com

### Retirement Community (I) A1

- Foulkeways at Gwynedd · 1120 Meetinghouse Road (215) 643-2200 · www.Foulkeways.org
- 00 C5 Gwynedd Estates
- ACTS Retirement-Life Communities, Inc. www.ActsRetirement.org 301 Norristown Rd. · (215) 628-8840
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- Spring House Estates ACTS Retirement-Life Communities, Inc. www.ActsRetirement.org 728 Norristown Road · (215) 628-8110



10 D4 Spring House Travel · 832 N. Bethlehem Pike (215) 643-7074 · www.SpringHouseTravel.com

#### REGISTRATION

• Preregistration is required for all programs unless otherwise indicated.

• Registrations are accepted at the Township Building or via mail with payment and completed form(s).

No phone registrations are accepted.

• Registration forms can be found on the Township Website lowergwynedd.org

• Full payment must accompany each registration for it to be accepted. Registrations are accepted as space permits.

PAYMENTS: We accept cash, checks (please make checks payable to Lower Gwynedd Township), and credit cards. There is a service fee for paying by credit cards. We do not accept debit cards. There will be a \$25 service charge on all returned checks.

REFUNDS: All refunds requested by the registrant that are granted will be charged a \$5 administrative fee. Full refunds will be issued only if the Parks & Recreation Department cancels a program. All discounted tickets sales are final and non-refundable.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Programs are subject to cancellation if there is insufficient enrollment, inclement weather, or other reasonable causes

**PHOTO POLICY:** The Parks & Recreation Department may take photos of program participants or park visitors. Please be aware that these photos are for Township use only and may appear in future brochures, newsletters, or flyers.

#### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

Date: Saturday March 28 Location: Penllyn Woods *Time:* 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.



#### Discounted Ski & Amusement Park Tickets

The Parks & Recreation Department offers Discounted Ski tickets to area Ski Resorts from December through March. May through September a variety of discounted tickets are available for amusement parks. Tickets can be purchased at the Township Building Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. For a complete listing of the tickets available visit the Parks & Recreation page on the Township Website, www.lowergwynedd.org

#### **Thursday Knitting Group**

This group meets at the Penllyn Woods Community Building every Thursday afternoon (except for Holidays) from 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. If you have questions on a pattern, want to learn how to knit or crochet please join us.





#### Trail Clean Up

Please join us as we focus on cleaning up some of the trails in the Township. There is no rain date in the event of inclement weather.

Date: Saturday April 11 Meeting Location: Lower Gwynedd Township Building ~ Rear Parking Lot Time: 9 a.m.



PENLLYN WOODS COMMUNITY BUILDING Need a place to a party, baby shower, bridal shower? Consider using the Penllyn Woods Community Building. For more information about the facility contact Sandi Feight, Recreation Director 215-646-5302.

**BUS TRIPS** 



#### CIVIL WAR BATTLEFIELD TOUR ~ GETTYSBURG

We recently marked the 150th Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg. This trip will take us on a guided tour of the battlefield, a tour of the National Military Park Museum. Lunch will be at the Historic Dobbin House. We wrap up the day by touring the Jennie Wade House, Ms. Wade was the only civilian killed during the battle of Gettysburg. Cost of the trip includes all entrance fees, lunch and gratuities.

Date: Saturday May 16 Bus Departure Time: 7:30 a.m. Bus Departure Location: Upper Gwynedd Township Cost: \$159 per person (includes all gratuities and entrance fees, lunch)

#### THE KING AND I

Tells the story of Anna, a British governess who tries to help an Eastern King come to terms with the modern world. Don't miss this revival of the Rogers and Hammerstein classic. Playing at the Vivian Beaumont Theatre located in the Lincoln Center Complex.

Date: Saturday June 13 Bus Departure Time: 8 a.m. **Bus Departure Location:** Upper Gwynedd Township Arrive Home: approximately 8 p.m. Cost: \$179 per person





Bus Departure Time: 12:00 (Noon) **Bus Departure Location:** Upper Gwynedd Township Seat Location: Section 227B Seats are limited for this game





#### 2ND **THURSDAY PRESENTS SERIES**

*Time:* 2:00 p.m. Location: Lower Gwynedd Township Building April 9 Lindsay Blanton, Water Quality Outreach Coordinator, Wissahickon Valley Watershed.

In this presentation, the WVWA will discuss

the history and development of the Wissahickon Creek, and how this has impacted the health of the water.

#### Summer Library Reading Club

Looking for something to do this summer? Wissahickon Valley Public Library wants to invite you to join our Summer Reading Club! Everyone, from kids to adults, teens and babies, is welcome to join our club.

This Summer Reading Club is a way for you to track your reading and get prizes for your reading. After you've signed up for our clubs, be sure to check out all of our Summer Events for kids, teens, and adults at our libraries in Blue Bell and Ambler. We'll have lectures and performers, classes, and more! Look for information at WVPL.org

#### **UPPER DUBLIN RACQUET CLUB**

established in 1968 as the premium East Coast indoor/outdoor facility. In 2009, we became Upper Dublin Sports Center.

#### **INSTILLING THE LOVE OF TENNIS**

Dates All Classes: Session 1: Tuesdays, April 7 – April 28 · Session 2: Tuesdays, May 5 – May 26 *Location:* Penllyn Park • *Future Stars (8 and under)* Cost: \$105 per session per person

Our experienced teaching pro's are very passionate about teaching tennis and getting kids excited about this lifetime sport. Here, the youngest player learn on courts and with equipment "right sized" just for them and that help facilitate quick success and enjoyment of the game that lasts a lifetime.

#### Ultimate Tennis (Ages 9-11)

#### *Time:* 5-6pm

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*Cost:* \$105 per session per person This program is geared towards juniors continuing to improve stroke production with an emphasis on consistency, point play and serves. Our Teaching pro's enjoy sharing their information and passion to ensure a positive learning environment for your child.

#### WISSAHICKON VALLEY **PUBLIC LIBRARY PROGRAMS** In Lower Gwynedd Township

#### SPECIAL PROGRAM ADDITION **TECH QUESTION & ANSWER**

Wednesday April 15 ~ 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Lower Gwynedd Township Building

Staff and volunteers will be on location to help you with any questions you have regarding your electronic devices. Devices you can bring; tablet computer (iPad, Droid), e-readers (Kindle, Nook), Smart Phones (iPhone, Droid). Appointments are required for this program. Please call the Blue Bell Library at 215-646-1320 to setup your 30 minute appointment.

**Disclaimer:** The Library's intent is to help people learn the use of their devices. The library does not assume responsibility for devices that are not working property and can't fix devices.

#### **Trail Dusters**

Do you know where all the trails are located in the Township? Have you seen a path but not sure where it goes? Join us as we explore a trail a week. Meetings locations vary each week and upon registering for the program you will receive a list of where the group is meeting.

Dates: Tuesday and Thursdays April 7–May 21 *Time:* 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Location: Varies each week, participants will receive a list of walking locations upon registering for the program. Cost: \$5 per person

Adult Quickstart Tennis

Cost: \$95 per session per person

This is the easiest and most fun way to learn

tennis. This program is for people that have

never played before or only played a few times

before. Let Tuesday nights be your tennis

*Time:* 6-7pm

night!



680 Tennis Ave. Ambler PA 19002 215-643-7377

• *Time:* 4-5pm

#### Beyond the Game **CHEERLEADING CAMP**

#### **BASKETBALL CAMP**

Date: August 10 - 14 Ages: 3-4 year olds Time: 9:00 a.m. -10:00 a.m. Cost: \$59 per participant

Ages: 5-12 year olds Time: 9 a.m. – Noon Cost: \$119 per participant Location: Oxford Park

Date: August 10 - 14 Ages: 3-4 year olds Time: 9:00 a.m. -10:00 a.m. Cost: \$59 per participant

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Ages: 5-12 year olds Time: 9 a.m. - Noon Cost: \$ 119 per participant Location: Oxford Park

Date: Saturday April 25 • Time: 10 a.m.-Noon **Location:** Treweryn Farm Trail



The Parks & Recreation Department has teamed up for the third year to offer a Book Trail program in collaboration with

the Wissahickon Valley Public Greg Pizzzoli. Families are welcome, as you walk the trail you stop at book pages and read

Library. This year the trail we will be Treweryn Farm Trail. The Pennsylvania One Book Every Young Child Book 2015, Number One Same by

the book. For information, call 215-646-5302.

**Book Trail** 

Park Picnic Pavilion

Ages: 2-6 years

STORIES TIME AT OXFORD PARK Wednesdays July 1 - July 29

wvpl.org,

WISSAHICKON VALLEY PUBLIC

Library

Join Ms. Tegan from the Wissahickon Valley Public Library Blue Bell Branch as she visits Oxford Park on Wednesday mornings for story time. Each week she will bring a new book to read to the children. Come join us for a nice relaxing story time. Time: 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Location: Oxford



#### FABRIC PURSE

Make a purse with a magnetic snap closure that is decorated with ribbon, inside pockets and optional key fob. Suitable for students who are comfortable using a sewing machine and buying fabric. First

class we'll discuss the materials list for supplies the students need to buy before the second class and we'll go over sewing machine operations. Students are involved in all steps of construction. Leave your machine at home, we provide equipment. Adults 18 years and older. *Length:* 5 sessions; 3 hours each. *Dates:* Saturdays, April 11- May 9 *Time:* 9 a.m. – Noon *Location:* Penllyn Woods Community Building *Cost:* \$145 per person

#### EVERYDAY MACHINE SEWING

#### **SEWING CLASSES**

#### **APPLIQUE PILLOW**

Learn to create a 20" square pillow with an applique design. Suitable for students who took our basic pillow class or are familiar using a sewing machine and buying fabric. First class we'll discuss the materials list for supplies that the students will need to buy before the second class, we'll practice applique techniques, and review machine operations. In addition to learning applique, student may choose to finish their pillow with hand stitching or a zipper. Leave your machine at home, we provide equipment. Be prepared for visually close work – bring reading glasses if needed. Adults 18 years and older.

Length: 3 Nights; 2 hours each. Dates: Wednesdays May 13 - 27 Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:0 p.m. Location: Penllyn Woods Community Building Cost: \$75 per person

#### HAND SEWING

A practical and useful class for anyone faced with a need to fix a minor clothing problem: sew a button, hem pants or skirts, mend a hole, and repair a seam. The first class students may bring in a garment that needs repair - we'll go over some basic stitches and what the students should bring the second class to actually fix their garment. Be prepared for visually close work – bring reading glasses if needed. Adults 18 years and older.

*Length:* 2 Nights; 2 hours each. *Dates:* Wednesdays, June 3 and June 10 *Time:* 6:00 p.m. – 8:0 p.m. *Location:* Penllyn Woods Community Building *Cost:* \$55 per person



\$615 first resident child

\$715 first non-resident child

WEEKLY RATES FOR 2015

\$ 250 first non-resident child

\$ 200 first resident child

\$550 for each additional resident child

\$ 175 for each additional resident child

\$680 for each additional non-resident child

\$ 225 for each additional non-resident child

If you thought your sewing machine was only for sewing straight seams, this class will introduce you to techniques to use your machine to attach a flat button, hemming, mending, and seam repair. We'll also cover topstitching and decorative stitches. Leave your machine at home, we'll provide equipment and supplies. Be prepared for visually close work – bring reading glasses if needed. Adults 18 years and older. *Length:* 2 Nights; 2 hours each. • *Dates:* Wednesdays, June 17 and June 24 • *Time:* 6:00 p.m. – 8:0 p.m.

*Location:* Penllyn Woods Community Building • *Cost:* \$55 per person

#### **SUMMER CAMP**

All Registrations must be post marked or dropped off by Wednesday May 22, 2015 any registrations received after a \$50 Late Fee will be applied

#### 2015 SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

Summer Camp program will be held at the Wissahickon Middle School with use of the Pool. For further information regarding the camp please call the Township Building, registration forms can be downloaded off the Township Website www.lowergwynedd.org. You can also pay for the summer camp fees on-line, the registration forms must still be mailed or dropped off at the Township Building. *Please call the Recreation Director with any questions.* 

Dates: June 22–July 31 • Time: 9:00 a.m.–3 p.m. • Ages: 6 (or completed Kindergarten –12 years Post Camp: 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (additional cost) – \$330 per child
 Location: Wissahickon Middle School • Daily Swimming: Wissahickon Middle School

#### SUMMER CAMP COUNSELORS ~ Application Deadline: April 17, 2015

Applications for Summer Camp Counselors are being accepted. All applicants must go through the interview process and complete all necessary background checks. Applicants must be 15 years of age and over.

#### COUNSELORS IN TRAINING ~ Application Deadline: April 17, 2015

The CIT program is designed to train youths ages 13-14 to assist the staff with the activities and programs conducted at the summer camp. There is a \$100 fee to participate in this program – covering program administration and supervision. Successful participation in this program may be a "stepping stone" for future employment with the Parks & Recreation Department. Participants must complete an employment application, go through the interview process and complete all necessary background checks. The fee will be collected if the applicant is chosen to participant.

#### **GEOCACHING @ PENLLYN WOODS**

Geocaching is a modern day scavenger hunt which is happening all over the world and even in your community. This activity is a great family friendly activity, a wonderful way to get exercise, explore new parks and trails. This event is being held at Penllyn Woods a variety of caches will be setup in the park. Participants are asked to bring a GPS unit if they have one or a smart phone. There will be a limited number of GPS units to use for the program.

*Dates:* Saturday May 9 • *Time:* 9-12 Noon • *Meeting Location:* Penllyn Woods Community Building *Cost:* \$5 participants must register for this event

#### **COOKING CAMPS**

#### **LITTLE CHEFS**

Campers will enjoy kid-friendly favorites for budding chefs, including oven-baked chicken fingers, homemade pasta and meatballs and more! Each member of the family will enjoy these entrees when the kids make them at home.

Ages: 5-9 years Dates: Monday July 13-Thursday July 16 *Time:* 10 a.m. – Noon Location: Penllyn Woods Community Building Cost: \$145 per participant



#### COOKING AROUND THE CLOCK

Each day, we'll make foods for a different meal of the day - Breakfast, Lunch, Snacks, and Dinner. By the end of the week, your cookin' kid will be helping (or showing YOU how!) to prepare any meal, any time!

Ages: 10-14 years

Dates: Monday August 3 - Thursday August 6 *Time:* 10 a.m. – Noon Location: Penllyn Woods Community Building *Cost:* \$145 per participant

#### SUMMER CONCERT SERIES AT OXFORD PARK

Concerts take place Wednesday Evenings beginning July 8 at 7:00 p.m.

#### JULY 8 ~ MELISSA MARTIN AND THE AUGUST 12 ~ THE BOOGIE DOGS **MIGHTY RHYTHM KINGS** Jump Blues

- JULY 15 ~ STEVE PULLARA AND HIS **COOL BEANS BAND** \*Grammy Winner ~ Children's Performer and Grammy Winner
- **JULY 22 ~ CELTIC CROSSROADS Traditional Irish**
- **JULY 29 ~ CLASS REUNION** 1950-60 Doo Wop Band
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