



UPPER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP

TOWNSHIP MISSION STATEMENT: Upper Gwynedd Township's elected officials and staff shall provide innovative, safe, transparent and fiscally responsible services, and shall respond to the needs of all residents, businesses and visitors of the Township in a timely and respectful manner.

WHO GETS MY TAX MONEY?

The Township announced that there will be no tax increases for 2022 but when you received your bill, the price increased. What happened? Your real estate tax bill includes 3 separate taxes – the County property tax, the school district property tax, and the Township tax and each of those three have a different tax rate. While the Township did NOT increase taxes, North Penn School District raised taxes 4.86% and Montgomery County raised taxes 8%.

So where does my tax money go?

81% goes to North Penn School District.
This is the biggest portion of your tax bill.

13% goes to Montgomery County, which includes the County's community college tax.

6% goes to UGT to fund road maintenance, fire and police services.

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HOURS: Monday through Friday:
8:00am–4:30pm

Police Week MAY 11 – 16, 2022

May 11 – 16 marks the 60th anniversary of the proclamation of National Police Week. In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which it falls as National Police Week.

This week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others. Thank you to our men and women in blue!



Public Works Week MAY 15 – 21, 2022

May 15 – 21 is National Public Works Week and we celebrate our Public Works Department who maintain our infrastructure from our roads and bridges to facility maintenance and stormwater management.

Their services are essential to keep our community strong & running and we are proud of our Public Works Team who work hard each day. The 2022 Public Works Week theme is Ready & Resilient, and we think that description fits our PW team to a tee! If you see one of the crews hard at work, stop by to say hello or give them a friendly wave.



SIGN UP FOR OUR WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER, THE GAZETTE

Go to our website and click the e-subscribe button and add your email address to our list. That's all there is to it to stay up to date on all Township news!

Police Department

Our Crime Prevention Officer, Fred Lynch, recently attended an important training course regarding resources for our military veterans.

Officer Lynch is now part of a county wide effort known as a "Veterans Response Team" (VRT) and all UGPD officers will be able to share the information and resources of the VRT. The team approach integrates specialized training for law enforcement officers and establishes the highest priority connections with mental health crisis responders, local veteran service organizations, and the Montgomery County Veterans Treatment Court.



Officer Lynch has already used this training to help veterans living and working in Upper Gwynedd Township understand their benefits and get the help they are eligible for because of their military service. There will be material such as handouts from the VA (Veterans Affairs) which are accessible at our police station. Officer Lynch has had VA Social Workers reach out to some of these veterans living in Upper Gwynedd Township to offer them services. The Outreach Specialist are eager and excited to help us.

It is the hope of the VRT members and UGPD that as the program grows and progresses, we can assist our veterans, especially those in crisis, in the most comprehensive, professional manner possible. Officer Lynch is a veteran of the US Air Force and is proud to be a part of the VRT.

K-9 Update

Our K-9's, Gunner and Fury have been working very hard for the Township since their graduation from training school. They have been deployed several times and have had great results having been able to find or secure what they were searching for. We are grateful for the additional help in keeping our community safe.



Left to Right: Officer Tartar & Fury, Officer Toro & Gunner at graduation

UGT & PARTNERS WIN AWARDS!

UGT along with partners Wissahickon Trails, PECO and Merck won two prestigious awards for the Wissahickon Headwaters Stream & Riparian Restoration Project. This project restored and stabilized the stream channel at the headwaters of the Wissahickon Creek. It was designed to control streambank erosion and sedimentation. The project reconnected the stream channel with its floodplain along 1,775 linear feet of the Wissahickon Creek in the PECO right of way power line corridor which helps mitigate flooding while creating terrestrial and aquatic habitats for birds, mammals and fish. This project was awarded the 2021 Environmental Stewardship Award and the 2021 Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence.



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT UGT employee earns Eagle Scout

Congratulations to Joseph O'Mara who recently earned the rank of Eagle Scout. Joseph is a member of Troop 303 which is sponsored by Corpus Christi Parish. For



his Eagle Project, he produced care packages for newly deployed military personnel through the solicitation of personal care donations of more than 1000 items. Joseph spent last summer working in the Parks & Recreation Department at Upper Gwynedd Township. We're all so proud of his great accomplishment! Kudos



WELCOME - NEW VMSC CHIEF!

The Volunteer Medical Services Corps welcomed Shane Wheeler as their first paid Chief of the VMSC in January. Since then, Chief Wheeler and his team have been undergoing a massive recruitment drive which yielded 16 full-time EMS providers! Over the next few weeks, these recruits will be oriented and placed onto the ambulances to begin their probation. The addition of these positions brings the staffing level of the VMSC to 94% and they are looking for a goal of 110% staffed.

The VMSC is currently hiring for the following positions: Emergency Medical Technicians, Advanced EMTs, and Paramedics. If you are interested in applying for any open position, please visit www.vmsccareers.com.



ZONING DEPARTMENT

Sub-division & Land Development

Under Construction:

- Gwynedd Park (Hancock Rd. behind Sanctuary Church) 30 twin homes – 30 Building Permits approved and 28 homes complete.
- Merck & Co. (West Point Campus) Buildings 50 and 32 – under construction.
- Enclave at Gwynwood Farm (W. Prospect opposite Church Rd.) 4-lot residential development – 3 houses complete.
- 512 Montgomery Avenue. New single-family home. Construction complete.
- 645 Jones Avenue – 3 lot subdivision under construction.
- West Prospect Ave. (former Saint Rose Ballfield) 5-lot subdivision. 3 houses complete, 2 pending final inspection.
- 1038 & 1042 Dickerson – New single-family homes complete.
- 1030 Dickerson Rd. – Final Single home under construction.

Approved:

- Shoppes at Upper Gwynedd (Church Rd. & Sumneytown Pike – former Giant site) – Conditionally approved – includes Royal Farms Convenience Store (opening expected mid-April). Two retail buildings in rear under construction.
- 229 Morris Rd. – 2-lot subdivision. No permits issued. Final plan not recorded.
- 180 Wissahickon Ave. Proposed industrial building. Approved by the Planning Commission. Final approval granted.
- Roosevelt Court, State St, 9-lot subdivision. Development Plan approved.
- 779-783 Sumneytown Pike, Wheatley Walk, 17 Townhomes – Final approval granted. Demolition of existing buildings complete.
- Merck B63A – Land development-approved

Proposed:

- 209 Morris Road – one new lot pending resolution of appeal

Public Works Department

“WHERE THE RUBBER HITS THE ROAD”

Upper Gwynedd's Public Works Department maintains over 50 miles of roadways throughout the Township, many of which are resurfaced during the Spring and Summer. Some are “milled and overlaid,” others are “micro-surfaced.”

Milling and Overlay involves the top one-and-a-half inches of the road surface being ground off and the road then re-blacktopped. During these projects, numerous ADA ramps are also installed at various intersections throughout the Township.

Roadways scheduled to be milled and overlaid in 2022 are:

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| • Broad Street (from Garfield Avenue to Sumneytown Pike) | • Pullman Drive |
| • Shearer Street (from West Street to North Wales Road) | • Spruce Circle |
| • Supplee Road (from Corpus Christi driveway to Sumneytown Pike) | • Station Drive |
| • Sumneytown Pike at Allentown Road | • Woodford Lane |
| • Harper Lane | • Second Street |
| • Hemlock Circle | • Third Street |
| • Mendham Drive | • Fourth Street (West Point) |
| • North Lane | • Chestnut Street |
| • Porters Drive | • Jones Avenue |
| | • Supplee Place |
| | • Quinn Lane |

About three years after a road has been re-blacktopped, the Township contracts to have those roads micro-surfaced with Ralumac®. Ralumac is a cold-applied asphalt-like material designed for all types of surfaces that provides excellent stability to roadways in summer and winter. It applies coarsely and smooths out as it is driven on over time. Micro-surfacing lasts 6-9 years and extends the life of the roads significantly. Using the process as part of the Township's preventative road maintenance program decreases the need to use the milling-and-overlay practice.

Roads scheduled to be micro-surfaced in 2022 are:

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| • Blue Fox Drive | • Huntingdon Place |
| • Patterson Drive | • Smallwood Place |
| • Mifflin Drive | • Sullivan Drive |
| • Steuben Drive | |

Upper Gwynedd Township always has a five-year plan for roadways scheduled to be either milled-and-overlaid or micro-surfaced. These roads are selected after a detailed inspection of all Township roadways, core sampling of the road base, and a review of each street's history of roadwork. Selection of roads and frequency of their resurfacing also depends on each road's traffic flow. For instance, major roads like Whites Road, Church Road and Broad Street are resurfaced every 10 years, whereas cul-de-sacs and lesser travelled residential neighborhood streets may be resurfaced every 20-25 years.

Before roads are either milled-and-overlaid or micro-surfaced, residents are notified via mail and/or doorhangers with detailed information about the procedures involved and the dates and times of the roadwork that will affect their neighborhood. If you have any questions on the 2022 Roadwork Program, please feel free to call the Public Works Department for additional information.



Why Should I Care About Stormwater?

We are all part of a watershed. Watersheds are land areas that drain to the nearest body of water. For example, if you are in western Pennsylvania, you are part of the Ohio River watershed, while eastern Pennsylvania lands may ultimately drain to the Chesapeake Bay. Smaller local creeks and streams also eventually drain to a larger local water body.

- **Flooding:** When excess water has nowhere to go, flooding can impact property and cause damage to land and structures. Flooding can also be a public safety issue that affects entire communities.
- **Pollution and Health Impacts:** Stormwater picks up anything that is on the ground and carries it along with it. Animal waste, chemicals, pesticides, oil, and sediment – all end up in waterways and potentially in our sources of drinking water.
- **Streambank Erosion:** Uncontrolled stormwater can cause streambank erosion, leaving bare soil and exposing tree roots. This can lead to property damage and cause issues with streambank stability.
- **Sedimentation:** Erosion and runoff, can also lead to sedimentation. Sedimentation of waterways from runoff causes changes to aquatic habitats. Undesirable plant growth increases, water becomes more turbid or cloudy, which leads to disruption of aquatic ecosystems. Sedimentation also fills in waterways, which can increase the flooding potential.
- **Impacts to Groundwater Recharge:** If stormwater isn't sinking into the ground, it can affect recharge of groundwater resources. This can affect water levels in drinking water wells as well as impacting levels in surface water.
- **Impacts to Recreational Opportunities:** Stormwater runoff can cause polluted waterways which can lead to restrictions on boating, swimming, and fishing in recreational areas.

Making changes to how stormwater is managed can go a long way to reduce negative impacts. Even small actions by individual homeowners like using a rain barrel, choosing permeable landscaping surfaces, or installing a rain garden can make a difference. Stormwater affects everyone!

If you have additional questions about stormwater, or you are just interested in learning more, you can find a full series of videos and articles in the Penn State Extension Stormwater Basics series (www.extension.psu.edu/stormwater-basics).

SPRING STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Here are some tips for managing stormwater on your property this spring:

- 1) **Plant native plants!** Native plants provide biodiversity and require less maintenance and water to thrive.
- 2) **Mulch your grass clippings.** Grass clippings are a source of nitrogen fertilizer. Let them decompose on your lawn and never blow them into the street.
- 3) **Use chemicals sparingly.** When spreading fertilizer, use it sparingly to ensure the excess does not overflow into runoff when rain comes.
- 4) **Pick up pet waste.** Pick up, bag, and dispose of pet waste properly to prevent unhealthy bacteria from flowing into local waterways.

SUMMER STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Here are some tips for managing stormwater on your property this summer:

- 1) **Wash your car at a car wash.** When you wash your car on the driveway or the street, grease, soap and oil can wash into streams and creeks.
- 2) **Never dump anything down stormwater drains.** Remember that storm drains empty directly into local waterways without being treated so whatever enters storm drains will flow into streams and creeks.
- 3) **Direct downspouts over porous, not paved surfaces.** Where possible, direct downspouts into garden beds, your lawn or consider installing a rain barrel.
- 4) **Raise your mower height.** Raising your mower height to at least 3 inches will slow of the flow of water over your lawn and allow it to absorb more rain water.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE TO LEARN MORE:
WWW.PERKIOMENWATERSHED.ORG





OPEN SPACE CLEAN UP

If a tree falls in the forest and no one is around to hear it... it still leaves a mess! Upper Gwynedd is one of the many townships that have fallen victim to this open space chaos. There are more downed branches and dead trees than ever before, partially due to the Emerald Ash Bore and the Spotted Lanternfly epidemic.

Did you know, we spent over \$80,000 taking down dead trees in our open spaces over the past two years?—It's true! And many more areas still need to be cleared. The Upper Gwynedd Township Parks and Recreation Department, along with the Board of Commissioners, have made a pact to tackle this problem head on.

This spring, you will see the Park and Recreation Director and the Township Engineer 'Hansel-and-Gretelling' out and about, assessing all our open space areas for cleanup. We will rate each area and take care of the messiest ones first.

We are very excited to announce that the cleanup has already started! In December 2021, we cleared the parcel of open space behind Jack's Lane of dead trees and debris; the rest of Jack's Lane will be finished in 2022. From there, we will move on to a piece of property by Rexdale Park and continue initiating improvements to better organize our open land in Upper Gwynedd Township. After doing this, we will be able to replant some new trees in the heavier wooded spaces to help off-set the dead ones.

This project will take some time, but we are ready and willing to get "Penn's Woods" back!

Environmental Advisory Council

With winter on its way out and warm weather just around the corner, it will soon be time for some Spring planting! What better way to start off the Spring season than with planting a tree?! Trees help manage stormwater, clean the air, provide food and habitat for critters of all sizes, and beautify our neighborhoods. But you may be wondering, what species of tree should you plant?

Well, the Upper Gwynedd Township Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) has you covered! The EAC is holding its **first annual Arbor Day Tree Sale on Saturday, April 30th**. Running from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM by the Pavilion at 1 Parkside Place, residents can choose from several native tree species to plant at their home or business, including Serviceberry (*Amelanchier Canadensis*), Redbud (*Cercis Canadensis*), Blackgum (*Nyssa Sylvatica*), and Red Oak (*Quercus Rubra*).



Trees can be ordered online at register.capturepoint.com, by mailing in your order with payment by April 23rd, or purchased in person on April 30th. Acceptable payment will be credit card for online orders, check for mail-in orders, and cash or check for in-person orders. Checks should be made payable to Upper Gwynedd Township. Supplies are limited, so online orders are encouraged! Trees can be picked up from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM on April 30th.

For more information on the trees available, prices, and the mail-in order form, please visit the Township's website at: www.uppergwynedd.org/home/news/eac-arbor-day-tree-sale. Planting and care instructions will be provided. And, for those who are interested, free wood chip mulch will also be available at pick up. Mulch will be bagged for ease of pickup, but you are more than welcome to bring a container and scoop some up yourself!

Back by popular demand is our Rain Barrel Workshop on May 25th at 6:00 PM, with Perkiomen Valley Watershed Association at Parkside Place. (*Open to UGT residents only.*) Rain barrels capture water from a roof and hold it for later use such as on lawns, gardens, or indoor plants. Collecting roof runoff in rain barrels reduces the amount of water that flows from your property. It's a great way to conserve water, and it's free water for use in your landscape!

The EAC will also be hosting a composting workshop September 21st, where residents will have an opportunity to purchase composting equipment at a discounted price and to learn the five easy steps to home composting.

RAIN BARREL WORKSHOP
 MAY 25, 2022 - 6:00PM
 \$35/per person
 UPPER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP PARKSIDE PLACE
 (Community Center if it rains)
 1 PARKSIDE PLACE, NORTH WALES, PA
 Register Online: www.uppergwynedd.org

Open to UGT residents only.



UGT's Park and Recreation Department Receives 2 Awards

We are very proud to let our residents know that they live in an award-winning community. We have received awards from PRPS (Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society) Excellence in Programming. The two Events recognized are our New Community Garden and The Night Sky Campout. Thanks to the community for supporting these two very amazing events and projects!

Community Garden:

New to Upper Gwynedd in 2021, our Community Garden had an amazing first year. UG partnered with a local Eagle scout, Alec Chang and his Troop 152, to build this structure. We chose a place with a lot of sunlight that could not be used for much else in our park (a curvature piece of land next to our walking path in our Parkside Place Park.) Three raised beds were put in along with 10-foot fencing to keep out animals. We had a grand opening on April 22, 2021, Earth Day, releasing butterflies that the township raised, in addition to planting herbs and flowers. The community joined us for the planting. We then invited community members back in May when we planted cucumbers, tomatoes, peppers, squash and eggplant. Volunteers came each day to water and weed. When the garden was ready, we advertised to our residents to come pick and take home. We are excited to tweak a few things but have another successful year in 2022 with our community garden! *Join us April 22, 2022 at 1pm for the 2022 event!*



Night Sky Campout:

In July, Upper Gwynedd offered this FREE event to residents. Residents who registered were invited to set up tents in our Parkside Place Park, to spend the night with Upper Gwynedd Township. The event started on a Friday night with over 20 different games/activities (provided and managed by Keystone Fellowship,) dinner, music, crafts, an inflatable water slide and ended with a Movie in the Park, 'Trolls 2.' Our boy scouts joined us to help with S'mores and a small campfire. The boy scouts also aided those who were unable to get their tents set up. After s'mores and the movie, the families returned to their tents for the night. On Saturday morning, Upper Gwynedd staff provided free breakfast while families cleaned up and headed home. *Join us July 8, 2022 for the 2022 event!*

Nor Gwyn Pool

LET'S GET READY FOR SUMMER!

The Nor-Gwyn Pool is set to kick off a new season on Saturday, May 28th. The commissioners, managers and staff are busy preparing for opening day, making sure that all is ready for our members to enjoy the summer poolside. In addition to our normal off-season repair and maintenance work, members will see that we continue to improve our aquatic center. Over the winter we were able to upgrade our restrooms with new partitions and related accessories, providing a fresh, clean look.

During registration this spring returning members will notice that we made some changes to our fees and our fee structure this year. Like almost every other organization, the pool's personnel, material, and operating expenses have all increased significantly from last year. To continue to provide a very

positive member experience and be able to serve as many families in the community as possible, we streamlined our membership levels by eliminating the Twilight memberships. This keeps Nor-Gwyn competitively priced, reduces our administrative burden, and allows us to keep our full-time membership cost increase as low as possible. This new structure maintains Nor-Gwyn Pool as a great value for our members and positions us well for the future.

Early registration, for returning members only, will begin on March 15th. General registration, for both new and returning members, opens on April 1st. Registration for all will close when we reach capacity (usually prior to opening day). Those interested in joining the pool should visit the Nor-Gwyn Pool website: www.norgwynpool.com for registration and

other information. Information on the swim team can be found on their website: www.norgwynswim.com.

The Nor-Gwyn Pool Commissioners invite all residents of the community to stop by and take a look at the pool this summer and consider joining in the fun for the summer of 2022!

We are always on the lookout for great employees (assistant managers, lifeguards, maintenance helpers, and more!) for the pool. If you are interested in a part-time, seasonal position with at Nor-Gwyn, please contact Beth at registration@norgwynpool.com.

Nor-Gwyn Pool is operated by the Nor-Gwyn Pool Commission and receives no taxpayer funding.



From the North Wales Area Library

FREE OF CHARGE TO UGT RESIDENTS

SPRING HIGH TEA AT THE LIBRARY

Saturday, April 30 • Noon

Library Community Rooms

The menu includes homemade soup, sandwiches, scones as well as 2 types of tea. \$30 per person. Reservations required. Sign up by calling the Library at 215-699-5410.

USED BOOK, BAKE AND PLANT SALE

May 13-14 • Library Community Rooms

Donations of hard and paperback used books, puzzles and DVDs will be accepted until May 5.

SUMMER READING CLUB 2022

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Each Wednesday, June 29- August 24, 11am-7pm, is a family reading day.

Details for these events can be found on the Library website. Prizes will be given. Registration begins in June 1.

2022 SCIENCE IN THE SUMMER

July 19-20, This is a free, in-person science summer program for children entering grades 2-6. The program is designed to inspire students to become the next generation of scientists and engineers through hands-on explorations based in

real science careers. The program theme is Be a Biologist!

2022 RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES:

May 19, June 16, July 21, August 18, September 15, October 20, November 17 and December 15

1-6 pm • Library Community Rooms

ONE ON ONE KNITTING LESSONS

Each Monday, by appointment, with Brenda. The fee is a \$10 donation per session that will help fund Library projects. Call 215-699-5410.

MEDICARE HELP

Get free personalized, objective guidance from a state-certified APPRISE counselor. Please contact Bill Maclean at 610-563-7967 or wa.maclean@hotmail.com to set up your appointment at North Wales Area Library.

PUBLIC SERVICES

Scan, Copy, and Fax for nominal charges. Use our computers or Wi-Fi for FREE. Also, lunch or snack is available Monday - Friday all summer long for children under the age of 18.

ONGOING EVENTS

Story Time Every Tuesday at 10am
Every Thursday at 4pm

Book Clubs for Adults

Third Tuesday at 7pm and the fourth Wed. at 2pm.



Mexican Train Dominoes

Every Thursday at 1pm

Knitting & Crochet Group

2nd Monday of each month at 1pm

Mahjong Every Tuesday at 1pm

Pinochle Every Friday at 12pm

For information about all library events and programs or to register for a class, call 215-699-5410 or visit www.northwaleslibrary.org.

The Library hours of operation are:

Monday-Thursday: 11 am – 7 pm
Friday: 10 am – 4 pm
Saturday: 10 am – 5 pm
Sunday: Closed

TREAT WILDLIFE WITH KINDNESS

Visitors to Parkside Place were recently treated to a rare sighting of a Northern Saw Whet Owl perched in a tree near the walking path. For a few days, the small bird became quite a celebrity, drawing birdwatchers and photographers from around the area. The UGT owl has been christened "Fred." The habit of the Northern Saw Whet Owl is to stay in one place for the mating season and even to return year after year. If you are fortunate to see an owl on its perch during the daytime, enjoy viewing it from afar, but keep in mind that owls are particularly sensitive to disturbance. They are nocturnal hunters and need their sleep. We ask you to treat wildlife with kindness.



NOR-GWYN BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

Yearning for America's favorite pastime? Enjoy a safe and relaxing evening of local baseball and softball games on every day of the week from May through July. As many as 7 games may be played at the same time. Have baseball style food from our concession stand while watching enthusiastic youth players develop their skills. High school and college level players take the field under the lights. The Nor-Gwyn fields are located near the Pennbrook Middle School and across from Gwyn-Nor Elementary school. Please see www.norgwynbaseball.org for more information.



Lifetime Achievement Award

Willard Troxel, our Public Works Superintendent, was recently recognized by Nor-Gwyn Baseball for his work, support and dedication. He was presented with a hat, a commemorative t-shirt and an engraved commemorative bat by John Clayton. Mr. Clayton also announced that Mr. Troxel is the Inaugural recipient of the Nor-Gwyn Baseball Lifetime Achievement of Support Award. Congratulations Willard!





Upper Gwynedd Community Association

YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF TOWNSHIP & COMMUNITY PROGRAMS THROUGH THE UGCA IS ACHIEVING GREAT RESULTS.

Since the start of the Upper Gwynedd Community Association (UGCA), numerous Township residents and companies have taken advantage of the opportunity to offer charitable donations for a number of worthy activities, such as the Police Canine Unit and D.A.R.E. program.



Nancy Kulp with Officer Toro & Gunner

When the Canine Unit was first being proposed, it was recognized that funding for the program had to be obtained entirely from outside contributions. Together with the Police Department, the UGCA launched a campaign inviting the public to support this important addition in further ensuring the well-being of our community. To date, the UGCA has received over \$30,000 in contributions from more than 160 residents and companies for the Canine Unit which is enjoying a great start.

Another worthy cause that the UGCA effort is supporting is the D.A.R.E. program, which is a police officer-led series of classroom lessons that teaches elementary

school students how to resist peer pressure and live productive drug and violence-free lives. The Township provides partial funding. Once again, numerous residents and organizations have come to its aid. One major supporter is the Reserve at Gwynedd Community which donates all of the monies raised at its annual car show to the UGCA for D.A.R.E.

Other Township activities that benefit greatly from contributions through the UGCA include Parks and Recreation Programs and Facilities Improvements, and the Health, Wellness, Math and Science Community Programs.



For convenience, tax deductible donations can be made in two ways: QR Codes as shown which can be read by a smartphone (Android or iPhone) that has a QR Code reader. The app is free. Contributions continue to be accepted by check to the UGCA

and mailed to Nate Crittendon, Finance Director, Upper Gwynedd Township, 1 Parkside. Place, North Wales, PA 19454. You will receive a letter of thanks from the UGCA acknowledging your contribution. Please note that any donation large or small is greatly appreciated. In addition to the initiatives funded to date, you are welcome to submit for review by the UGCA, recommendations for use of your donation for other worthy causes.

The UGCA is a 501 (c) (3) Non-Profit Corporation established by the Upper Gwynedd Township Board of Commissioners and approved by the IRS to encourage philanthropy in support of community programs and activities. UGCA's mission is to solicit donations and contributions of any size from individuals, business or corporate entities and other private foundations for "worthwhile and fulfilling community activities" which "support civic, recreational and other public needs."

Continue to look for us at Township events to learn more about the UGCA and what you can do to support the Township's programs and other Community Activities.

Human Relations Commission

CONSTRUCTIVE CONVERSATIONS PROMOTE COMMUNITY AND UNDERSTANDING

In this day and age, we all have friends, co-workers and family whose outlook on life differs widely from our own. Sometimes, discussions become heated, and relationships sour. Predictably, we tend to avoid getting into confrontations that we know will not end well. This can put strain on relationships we value, because we don't share our opinions openly with those who think differently.

With practice and a few ground rules, we can learn to have conversations where conflict can be discussed openly and without anger.

- Try to stay interested in what the other person is saying.
- Allow them to finish speaking, even

when what they are saying makes you uncomfortable.

- Don't be afraid to express your own point of view, keeping your own emotions in check.
- Expect, and accept, that agreement on controversial issues is not likely.

UGT strives to be a place where people from all walks of life can live and work in harmony. In the interest of building a strong community, UGT offers a series of community conversations on topics of concern to residents. These events offer an opportunity for dialogue on controversial issues among people with different points of view. Future sessions will be announced on the Upper Gwynedd website, and on social media.

The volunteer Human Relations Commission (HRC), established by the Township last year, supports this mission by providing a safe space for frank and open discussion in situations of alleged discrimination. Through its presence at community events and development of brochures and other materials, the HRC endeavors to inform the community about this service. A resident or an employee who works in the Township who believes they have been a victim of unlawful discrimination may bring a complaint to the commission. The commission may mediate a discussion with the goal of resolving the issue to the satisfaction of all concerned.



CODES DEPARTMENT

Code Enforcement

With the coming of spring and summer several items regarding your property and residence should be considered.

- Trees and shrubs should be trimmed so that they do not encroach on neighboring property or public streets and sidewalks.
- If you have a pool, be sure that the electric is code compliant to avoid the potential for electric shock. In ground pools require a fence with gate locks around the perimeter. Above ground pools should have a removal ladder.
- Trim shrubs away from the exterior air conditioning components to allow air exchange.
- Decks should be checked for wood decay, rot, and signs of dilapidated or structurally unsafe conditions. Check that nails are securely attached to the structure. Each handrail should be graspable and should be firmly fastened and capable of supporting the load being imposed. Guards or spindles should be spaced so that a space no greater than 4 inches exists between each member. Any replacement items should be screwed rather than nailed.
- Brush, weeds, and grass must be cut if in excess of 12 inches throughout the growing season.
- Abandoned motor vehicles are not permitted on properties, please contact the Township as to what constitutes an abandoned vehicle.
- Most building within the Township requires a permit. Please call the Code Department with questions. When building is completed a final inspection is required.

Fire Department

For the first two months, the Upper Gwynedd Fire Department (UGFD) has responded to over one hundred calls for service. In addition to responding to calls, members have been furthering their education with weekly training held at the firehouse. Additionally, members are also attending trainings at the local fire academies and attending conferences and seminars. They are achieving local, state, and national certifications to better serve the community. Keep an eye out for our members in the township training, especially in the warmer months. We are always open to answer any questions you may have!



Currently, over a dozen UGFD active members are currently enrolled in an Emergency Medical Technician course. This course will enable our members to better serve the residents of our township if a medical emergency arises through our Quick Response Service (QRS). Our QRS is dispatched with the ambulance and provides emergency medical care until the ambulance arrives. Are you interested being a prehospital provider? Are you currently a healthcare provider who wants to see what occurs before the patient arrives to the hospital? Reach out to us and we would be more than happy to answer your questions!

UGFD continues to boost our roster of Water Rescue Technicians. In February, members braved the frigid temperatures and became Ice Rescue Technicians. With assistance through grants, UGFD has been able to outfit eighteen members head to toe in personalized water rescue protective equipment.

We encourage motorists who are driving to NOT drive through flooded roadways as they could be washed out. Even though we have the training, we do not want to have to utilize it! Turn around, Don't Drown!

Additionally, we encourage residents to keep their grills away from their houses. We have seen an uptick of culinary mishaps occurring and do not want to be the uninvited guests at your next meal.

Thank you to the residents who have donated to our annual fund drive campaign. Through this we accumulate nearly forty percent of our operating budget on an annual basis! Your monetary support goes to ensure that firefighters have the most up-to-date gear and equipment to keep both them and you safe. Any help you can provide is greatly appreciated. You are always welcome to donate anytime online at www.ugfd.org.

We are always looking for new members to be active responders to emergencies, whether responding to building fires or medical professionals to assist an ambulance. No prior experience is necessary. UGFD will pay for training and provide all equipment. UGFD is also looking for administrative members. These members assist with the finance, fundraising, grant writing, maintenance of the firehouse, and much more. Every community member has something to add to our department; now is the time to join the UGFD family!

We encourage anyone interested in joining to reach out via Facebook or Instagram. You may also visit our website, www.ugfd.org, to find our application, or stop by the station on Monday nights at 7pm, located at 668 Garfield Avenue.



PARKS AND RECREATION *Spring & Summer 2022*

PARKS & RECREATION MISSION STATEMENT: Upper Gwynedd Township Department of Parks and Recreation shall strive to develop and maintain quality parks and facilities; to preserve open/natural spaces; and to provide recreational programs and services which will enhance the physical, social, and emotional well-being of all current and future residents of Upper Gwynedd.

PLEASE NOTE:

All special events/programs are tentative and subject to change due to COVID-19 and inclement weather. Please check our website or Facebook page for any changes as the event /program approaches. www.uppergwynedd.org

YOU SNOOZE...YOU LOSE

If there are not enough registrations by the specified deadline, the program you want could be canceled! We do not accept day-of registrations for any program. For the status of a program or information about a possibility of a cancellation call 215-699-7777 and ask for Parks and Recreation.

NO NEWS IS GOOD NEWS

When you register for any of our recreation programs, do not wait by the phone or camp out at your mailbox.

THE ONLY TIME YOU WILL HEAR FROM US IS:

- If the class is full
- If the class is canceled
- If there is a change in time or day

So, if it is almost time for your class to begin and you have not heard from our friendly staff, that's good news! IT MEANS YOU'RE IN!

PARK AND RECREATION SUMMER HELP 2022

We will be hiring enthusiastic individuals for the following positions: Please check our website for more information: www.uppergwynedd.org

Now hiring for: Camp Counselor, Park Monitor, and Teen Camp Counselor/Director. Visit our website or email lgetty@uppergwynedd.org to apply.

PARK RULES AND REGULATION REFRESHER

From time to time, it is important to review some park rules to make sure all park users are safe and enjoy their visit. All Upper Gwynedd parks rules and regulations are posted in parks and are enforced. We are highlighting a few in this newsletter. Thanks for your continued help with these.

Smoke Free Parks

"Young Lungs at Play" is Upper Gwynedd's motto. We have all heard the negative effects of smoking; it compromises the immune system, increases respiratory infections, causes heart and lung damage, increases the risk for osteoporosis, increases the risk for cancer, and more. Even secondhand smoke can cause the same diseases in those who have never smoked. Act 27 of 2008, The Clean Indoor Air Act (CIAA) regulates smoking in public places and workplaces across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. For help to quit, please call 1-800-QUIT-NOW (1-800-784-8669). Let's work toward a healthier Upper Gwynedd!

All Dogs Must be on Leashes

No animals are allowed in the park or recreational areas unless attended and controlled by a leash (under our general legislation, chapter 134.) The individual in charge of an animal entering any park or recreational area is required to be in possession of proper implements for the gathering and disposing of animal feces. All feces will be collected immediately, removed from the park or recreational area and disposed in accordance with accepted sanitary standards.

Please Don't Feed the Wild Animals

We know that it's hard to resist, but it causes them to depend on humans and several things will happen:

- They will become sick from eating unnatural foods that their bodies can't process.
- They will stop foraging for food, which will upset the ecosystem in our parks.
- They will become aggressive towards humans and other wildlife.
- More wildlife may gather and will cause overcrowding.

For these concerns, we ask that you please don't feed the wildlife in our parks!

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SPRING / SUMMER SPECIAL EVENTS

All special events are tentative and subject to change, please check our website or Facebook page for any changes as the event approaches.



Galentine's Day Bag Bingo

Friday, April 29

LOCATION St Rose of Lima Church
TIME Doors open at 6pm | Bingo starts at 7pm
FEE \$25 pre-registered | \$30 at the door (*while tickets last*)

To reserve a table for a party of 8 or more, please email Leigha at lgetty@uppergwynedd.org

Bring your own snacks and drinks. Space is limited, so advanced registration is recommended! There will be 10 Bingo games with the possibility of some extra special games and authentic designer bags!

Unity for Kindness: Food Truck Event

Saturday, April 30

LOCATION Amphitheater at Parkside Place
TIME 11:00am–3:00pm

This amazing event invites residents to come together to help spread kindness throughout our community. Snuggle up with your blankets and lawn chairs while you enjoy our live band! The Creidler Brothers (formerly known as the Mango Men) will entertain us while you enjoy an array of food truck options and listen to our speakers who will be encouraging, educating, and promoting how we can be inclusive and celebrate diversity and kindness in Upper Gwynedd. Visit www.uppergwynedd.org/parks-recreation/programs-events/pages/community-events to learn how your community service organization can participate and/or nominate someone for our first annual Kindness Award.

Montgomery County Senior Games (MCSG) 2022

Monday, May 9 – Friday, May 13

The mission of MCSG is to stimulate senior adults in Montgomery County to be active in sports and recreational events in order to maintain physical and mental well-being. For more info and to register go to this website: www.montcoseniorgames.com.

Golf Outing

Monday, May 23

LOCATION Cedarbrook County Club
TIME 1pm shotgun start
FEE \$150 per golfer
(includes lunch and dinner)



To become a sponsor or submit a team, go to our website and download a form: www.uppergwynedd.org or call 215-699-7777. All proceeds support the Upper Gwynedd Park and Recreation Department! Raffle prizes and golf game “helpers” available for purchase at the course.

Atlantic City Bus Trip

Friday, June 3

TIME Depart UG: 9:30am Arrive AC: 11:00am
 Depart AC: 6:30pm Return to UG: 8:30pm
FEE \$50/person

Join Upper Gwynedd Township and Hatfield Township for a trip to Atlantic City New Jersey! Hit the beach, the casinos, the outlets or all three.

Unplugged Week

Sunday, June 19 – Saturday, June 25

Join Upper Gwynedd Township for a week of NO phones, NO TV, NO video games and “unplug” with us! This week will be filled with pop-up activities and events including family yoga, teen candy bar bingo, tie dye, arts in the park, a martial arts class, scavenger hunt, and much more!

Don't miss out on our Unplugged Week Kick-Off Party

Sunday, June 19 from 11:30am–2:00pm

Visit our website for more details: www.uppergwynedd.org/parks-recreation/programs-events/pages/community-events.

Night Sky Campout

Friday, July 8 (6pm) – Sat, July 9 (9am)

LOCATION UG Community Park
FEE FREE (*donation of a non-perishable item requested.*)

You MUST register for this event by

July 1. To register and for more info, go to: www.uppergwynedd.org.



Bring your tent and camp out under the stars with your family and friends. With the donation of a non-perishable item, families will have the opportunity to camp in Parkside Place Complex for the night. Not the camping type? You can still join us for the festivities with a donation of a non-perishable item.



There will be plenty of great family activities throughout the night all brought to you by Keystone Fellowship, including a family craft and family “movie under the stars.” Dinner will be hot dogs and we will have a dessert truck for a sweet treat. The next morning, there will be a continental breakfast free for all campers.



SPRING/SUMMER EVENTS CONT.

Movies in the Park

June 24: Soul

July 8: Sing 2 (Night Sky Campout)

July 22: Minion

August 5: Encanto

LOCATION Parkside Place Complex
Debarth Amphitheater
TIME begins at dusk (approx.
8:30 – 8:45pm start)

Grab your blanket, low lying chairs, family, friends, and come see some great family movies!

Concerts in the Park

June 15th: Dueling Pianos

(genre: Variety)

June 29th: The Southern Edge Band

(genre: Country)

July 13th Philly Funk Authority

(genre: Funk, Soul)

July 27th: Lolly and YoYo

(genre: Children)

August 10th: Greaseband

(genre: Classic Rock, Pop)

LOCATION Parkside Place Complex
Debarth Amphitheater
TIME 7:00–8:30pm

Grab your blanket, lawn chairs, family, friends and come see some fantastic bands! Love Food Truck will be present to purchase snacks and refreshments.

ADULT WORKSHOP

Know Your Medicare Options

Thursday, June 16

LOCATION Parkside Place:
Main Meeting Room
TIME 6:30–8:00pm
FEE FREE
AGES Adult

Join us for this FREE event! During this educational seminar, you will learn how Medicare works and what it covers, how Part “D” prescription cards work, how to pick the right one for you, and the difference between Medicare supplements and Medicare Advantage plans. Run by DelVal Senior Advisors.

ADULT FITNESS

Sculpt and Define

Mondays, June 6 – July 18

(No class the week of July 4)

LOCATION Parkside Place:
Community Center
TIME 6:15–7:15pm
FEE \$44 per person
AGES 18+

Whether you want to get in shape for summer or just feel better about yourself, this super-slimming, muscle building, body-sculpting class will help you lose weight and BURN calories. It is a low-impact fat burning aerobic and strength training style class, which shapes the whole-body using resistance bands, weights, exercise balls, and cardio drills. This class will help you tone and build muscle definition.

Power Pump

Wednesdays, June 8 – July 20

(No class the week of July 4)

LOCATION Parkside Place:
Community Center
TIME 6:15–7:15pm
FEE \$44 per person
AGES 18+

Increase muscle activation, burn calories faster, and maximize results in our Power Pump class. With new innovative weight training equipment, you are sure to see quick results. The class is a muscle sculpting class limited to 16 people. Only thing you need to bring is your mat and an open mind to a fitter, healthier you!

Martial-Arts and Self-Defense Class

Tuesday & Thursdays,
June 14 – July 21

(No class the week of June 30 & July 8)

LOCATION Parkside Place Park:
Amphitheater Fields
TIME 5:30–6:30pm
FEE \$30 per person per session
AGES: 13-60

Join us for this NEW outdoor fitness program! This Martial-arts and Self-Defense Class involves many aspects of the martial-arts including Muay Thai, Sanda, Kung-fu, Kickboxing, Boxing, Aikido, and various others.



Pickleball Meet Up

To control crowds at our four pickleball courts, we have created a “Meetup” group to help players organize themselves. The fee for 2022 is \$25 for residents and \$40 for non-residents (register at www.uppergwynedd.org) and is valid for the entire pickleball season. Once registered, you may join the Meetup group (go to www.meetup.com and search “2022 Upper Gwynedd Pickleball”) and sign up for specific dates. This group is open to all skill levels, including people who have never played before, but would like to learn.

Pickleball Lessons with Jerry Tozzi

Beginner Session 1:

Mondays, June 6 – 27

Beginner Session 2:

Mondays, July 4 (No class Monday, make-up class will be Tuesday, July 5) – July 25

Beginner Session 3:

Mondays, August 1 – 22

Intermediate Session 1:

Thursdays, June 9 – 30

Intermediate Session 2:

Thursdays, July 7 – 28

Intermediate Session 3:

Thursdays, August 4 – 25

LOCATION Parkside Place Park:
Pickleball Courts
TIME 9:00–10:00am
FEE \$40 per person
AGES 18+

Enjoyed by players of all ages & skill levels. Beginners will be taught all facets of the game including mechanics, shot selection, strategies, and keeping score. Intermediates looking to improve their game will be given strategies, drills, and tips to enhance their game to the next level.



YOUTH CAMPS & SUMMER PROGRAMS

Camp Parkside Day Camp/ Mini's Camp 2022

SOLD OUT! Please visit our website to join our wait list.

Week 1: June 27 – July 1

Week 2: July 5 – July 8

(No camp Monday, July 4)

Week 3: July 11 – July 15

Week 4: July 18 – July 22

Week 5: July 25 – July 29

Week 6: August 1 – August 5

LOCATION Upper Gwynedd Community Center & Pavilion

TIME 9:00am–12:00pm

FEE \$70 per week
(\$56 for week 2)

AGES Day Camp: Ages 6-12
Mini's Ages: 3-5 (*must be potty trained*)

Teen Trip Camp 2022

SOLD OUT! Please visit our website to join our wait list.

Week 1:

Monday, Aug. 8 – Point Pleasant Beach

Tuesday, Aug. 9 – Dorney Park

Wednesday, Aug. 10 – White Water

Rafting at Pocono Whitewater

Thursday, Aug. 11 – Phillies Game (vs Miami Marlins)

Week 2:

Monday, Aug. 15 – Point Pleasant Beach

Tuesday, Aug. 16 – Great Adventure

Wednesday, Aug. 17 – Paintball in Poconos

Thursday, Aug. 18 – Camel Beach

TIME 8:30am–6:00pm (*times will be slightly different depending on each trip*)

FEE \$290 per week OR \$560 for both weeks

AGES 12-15

MAD Science Full-Day: Eureka: Launching with Legends

Monday, June 20 – Friday, June 24

LOCATION Parkside Place: Community Center

TIME 9:00am–4:00pm

FEE \$312 per person

AGES 6-12

Discover the work of da Vinci, Edison, Tesla, Verne, Asimov, and more! Use what you

learn to invent, prepare patent proposals, build catapults, launch projectiles off a large trebuchet, create hot air balloons, and several types of spacecraft. Camp culminates by building sci-fi inspired light sabers to take home, along with your dreams of the future!

Science Explorers Camp: Take a Dive

Monday, June 27 – Friday, July 1

LOCATION Parkside Place: Community Center

TIME 12:00–3:00pm

FEE \$258 per person

AGES 7-11

Dive into the world of marine biology and oceanography! In our half-day camp, you'll dissect a real shark, participate in a fisherman's challenge, examine the anatomy of a fish and learn the ancient technique of gyotaku or "fish rubbing", learn to survive at sea with a homemade solar still, create a kelp forest and make your own submarine.

Pottery Design Camp

Monday, July 5 – Friday, July 8

LOCATION Parkside Place: Community Center

TIME 12:30–3:30pm

FEE \$192 per person

AGES 5 & up

Camp is a great way to spend a week getting to know the art of ceramics. Each day begins with a new lesson on hand building, followed by a guided project incorporating the new technique taught. We will also be dabbling with modeling clay (oil-based polymer.) All terracotta projects will be glazed by the participants and then taken back to INDI studios at the end of the week to be fired. All pieces will be available for pick up within 10 days from the last day of camp. Please bring a light snack and drink.

Young Rembrandts: STEAMin' UP SUMMER Workshop

Monday, July 11 – Friday, July 15

LOCATION Parkside Place Park: Community Center

TIME 12:00–2:00pm

FEE \$180 per person

AGES 6-14

Calling all artists, scientists, engineers, and math lovers! Young Rembrandts has a new workshop filled with new ways your child can explore the fascinating world of STEAM! This five-day workshop will dive into a new discipline every day so that all children learn their possibilities. Students will illustrate different types of Sciences, new Technologies, incredible feats of Engineering and striking Math principles - all while creating crazy awesome Art.

Bricks 4 Kidz

Mondays, July, 18 – Friday, July 22

LOCATION Parkside Place Park: Community Center

TIME 12:00–3:00pm

FEE \$174 per person

AGES 5-11

Come explore the jungle using LEGO® Bricks in our BRAND NEW Cruisin' The Jungle Camp! During this weeklong adventure down the Amazon River, campers will hop in the Jungle Boat Cruiser to search for the secret Tree of Life. Campers will have to navigate around the chomping crocodiles of the river, sneak past the indigenous tribes protecting hidden treasures, and make friends with the animals of the jungle like gorillas, elephants, and much more!

MAD Science Half Day: Jr. Physicians

Monday, August 1 – Friday, August 5

LOCATION Parkside Place: Community Center

TIME 12:00–3:00pm

FEE \$168 per person

AGES 6-12

Explore all of the cells, organs, muscles, and bones that make up YOU! Put yourself together from the inside out, while learning about all the systems that make your body tick! Get microscopic while making a model cell, create a stethoscope to hear your heartbeat, and inflate model lungs that work just like yours! Get a little sticky while making "Mad Mucus" and a mashed potato brain!



YOUTH CAMPS & SUMMER PROGRAMS CONT.

AM Engineering Camp: App. Aerospace Engineering: Up Up & Away
SOLD OUT! Please visit our website to join our wait list.

Monday, August 8 – Friday, August 12

LOCATION Parkside Place:
Community Center
TIME 9:00am–12:00pm
FEE \$199 per person
AGES 8-14

Sign-up for BOTH AM & PM Engineering for Kids Camps for just \$349! Save now!

During our Aerospace Engineering program, students use the Engineering Design Process to design, create, test, and refine a variety of flying machines. They construct a shock absorbing system designed to protect two marshmallow astronauts in a lunar vehicle, create their own air-powered rockets, and assemble a hot air balloon model that actually takes flight!

PM Engineering Camp: App. Survivor: Engineer's Cove
Monday, August 8 – Friday, August 12

LOCATION Parkside Place:
Community Center
TIME 12:30am–3:00pm
FEE \$199 per person
AGES 8-14

Sign-up for BOTH AM & PM Engineering for Kids Camps for just \$349! Save now!

Welcome to Survivor: Engineer's Cove! Students in this five-day program will find themselves stranded on an abandoned island filled with perilous obstacles – dark caves, wild animals, cold temperatures, little food, and separation from the comforts of home. They will work collaboratively with their tribe members to compete against other tribes in specific engineering- related projects aimed at trying to survive the harsh island conditions and escape to their freedom. The tribe with the most points at the end of the week will claim the honor of Survivor: Engineer's Cove winner!

Total Soccer Camp
Monday, August 15 – Friday, August 19

LOCATION Parkside Place Park: Fields
TIME 9:00am–12:00pm OR
9:00am–3:00pm
FEE \$180 Half Day (9-12)
\$300 Full Day (9-3)
AGES 5-6yrs: Half Day ONLY
7-14yrs: Half OR Full Day

Total Soccer is renowned for its ball mastery training through its C.O.R.E program at its indoor facilities across Eastern Pennsylvania. We bring that same standard of excellence to your local outdoor facility! Join Total Soccer's Summer Day Camps! Players will enjoy a 5-day series of sessions that focus on the technique and training methods used by professional players. Each camp will have the direction of a senior staff member whose entire focus will be pushing fast tempo foot skill exercises to improve each players' speed of play!

Summer Drama Camp
Monday, August 22 – Friday, August 26

LOCATION Parkside Place:
Community Center
TIME 9:00am–3:00pm
FEE \$188 per person
AGES 7-11

In Theatre Horizon's Summer Drama Camp, young actors spend a week working as an ensemble to create an original play – full of drama, comedy, suspense, and one-of-a-kind characters. Professional teaching artists guide campers through playwriting basics and fun improvisation games. On the last day, they perform their world premiere play for an audience! In Summer Drama Camp, children make new friends, build listening and ensemble skills, take on leadership roles, and explore their creativity. *The plan will be for a performance with a live audience, pending COVID-19 safety policies. If an in-person audience is not considered safe at the time, families will be sent a link to watch from off-site, and they will be sent a recording of the showcase.

Multi Sports Camp
Monday, August 22 – Friday, August 26

LOCATION Parkside Place Park: Fields
TIME 9:00am–12:00pm
FEE \$215 per person
AGES 5-11yrs (ages 5-6 & 7-11 will be placed in two groups by age range)

The US Sports Institute's flagship summer multi sports camp gives players aged 5-11 the opportunity to experience up to 3 different sports each day, and over 12 sports in one week. Every camp is coached by our professional, international staff who are trained to encourage maximum participation, good sportsmanship, and above all- FUN! During the mornings players will focus on developing their technique and skills within each sport and gain a basic understanding of playing a scrimmage. The afternoon will consist of small sided scrimmages in a tournament environment where players can earn World Cup points for their team through good sportsmanship and teamwork.

Let's Get Messy
Wednesdays, May 11 – June 1

LOCATION Parkside Place:
Community Center
TIME 10:00–10:45am
FEE \$40 for 4-week session
AGES 18 months-5 years

Upper Gwynedd is very excited to be offering this "Parent and Me Class." You and your child will be "getting messy" during this fun art class for preschoolers. Join Miss Laura as we dive into playdough, sand, paint, shaving cream, and much more for 45 minutes of creativity!

Mini Moovers and Groovers
Wednesdays, May 11 – June 1

LOCATION Parkside Place:
Community Center
TIME 11:00–11:45am
FEE \$40 for 4-week session
AGES 18 months-5 years

Special \$5 discount if you sign up for both Messy and Mini Moovers classes together. Look for the special link when you register.



Upper Gwynedd is very excited to be offering this NEW "Parent and Me Class." You and your child will be getting our bodies moving with stretches, games, activities and fun relays each week. Get your preschool child up and moving with this fun filled class taught by Miss Laura.

E-Sports—Coming Soon to Upper Gwynedd Township this summer!

The GGLEagues platform is for gamers within every family to compete in a fun and safe setting. We allow kids to play their favorite games in an environment free of toxicity, as we ensure that players are watched and cared for every step of the way. Visit GGLEagues for more details on this upcoming program: www.ggleagues.com/parents.

PSCTA Tennis Lessons

Session 1: Tuesdays, June 7 – July 5 (make-up 7/12/22) and/or Thursdays: June 8 – July 7 (make-up 7/14/22)

Session 2: Tuesdays, July 26 – August 23 (make-up 8/30/22) and/or Thursdays: July 28 – August 25 (make-up 9/1/22)

LOCATION Parkside Place Park: Tennis Courts
AGES/TIME: 5/6 year olds: 5–5:45pm
 7/8 year olds: 5:45–6:30pm
 9/10 year olds: 6:30–7:30pm
FEE \$72 per person

Tennis Lessons w/ Kristina Alling

Summer Session 1: 6/8/22 – 7/6/22 (make-up date 7/13/22)
Summer Session 2: 7/27/22 – 8/24/22 (make-up date 8/31/22)

LOCATION Parkside Place Park: Tennis Courts
AGES/TIME: Tween (11-12): 5:00–6:00pm
 Teen (13-18): 6:00–7:00pm
 Adult Advanced Beginner (18+): 7:00–8:00pm
FEE \$72 per person

Mother's Day Cooking Lesson

Saturday, May 7

LOCATION Virtual (registrants will receive virtual link and log in information a week prior to this event)
TIME 3:00–4:30pm
FEE \$36
AGES Open to ALL ages

Why not truly give the gift of love on Mother's Day? Show her you care by making a healthy meal she can enjoy! This class will be led by dietitian and chef Nicole Schillinger on May 7th at 3pm... just in time for dinner on Saturday! Or make it a crock pot meal to have ready for Sunday on Mother's Day. You can make one or both options. Together we will make a Mississippi Roast with carrots and sweet potatoes in the crock pot and/or pan seared pesto salmon, garlic mashed parsnips and sauteed spinach. Class will be virtual, so you can cook along and have a meal for your mom, family, or just a lovely dish for yourself to show some love!

Goat Yoga

Sunday, May 15

LOCATION Upper Gwynedd Township Fields (next to the Pavilion/ Amphitheater)
TIME 9:00–10:00am OR 10:15–11:15am
FEE \$40 per person
AGES Children aged 5+ are welcome. One ticket for each participant is required. Children under age 13 must be accompanied by a paid adult. Anyone in the Goat Yoga class ring is considered a participant.

The goat in me honors the goat in you! Renew your inner spirit with a fun, relaxing, giggle-filled baby goat yoga class! A triple threat to de-stress, Namaaaste Goat Yoga is a great way to break from your normal mindset and reap the benefits of animal/laughter therapy and yoga! Open to yogis of every skill level, Namaaaste Goat Yoga is not your typical but still relaxing form of beginner-level goat-centric subtle yoga that always involves smiles, laughter, giggles, and of course, goats! This is a 45-minute goat yoga experience followed by a 15-minute picture/snuggle time with our baby and miniature breed goats. *Participants should bring their own yoga mat/towel/blanket on which to do yoga.*

Cooking Lesson: Healthy Grilling for Father's Day!

Saturday, June 18

LOCATION Virtual (registrants will receive virtual link and log in information a week prior to this event)

TIME 12:00pm–1:30pm
FEE \$36 per person
AGES Open to ALL ages

Show your dad that you can grill too! Learn how to grill healthier and provide a meal dad will love. Class will be lead by dietitian and chef, Nicole Schillinger.

Pick-Up Volleyball

Saturdays, March 5 – October 29

LOCATION Garfield Park
TIME 10:00am–2:00pm
FEE FREE
AGES 14+

Join us on Saturdays at Garfield Park for pick-up volleyball! Open to all! No registration required. Please wear sneakers and comfortable clothing. *Please keep an eye on our social media sites for cancellations due to weather.*

Kids Yoga in the Park

Wednesdays, June 22 – July 20

LOCATION Parkside Place: Fields
TIME 8:00–8:45am
FEE \$15 per person per class
AGES 6–12

In this summer yoga series our instructor, Courtney, will teach children breath work, yoga postures and the importance of mindfulness, all while moving, playing and having fun!

Make Your Own Bug Spray & Body Scrub

Friday, July 22

LOCATION Parkside Place: Community Center
TIME 6:00–7:00pm
FEE \$51 per person
AGES 6 & up, parents and families encouraged!

Did you know that many beauty and body products have a list of ingredients that are harmful to your health? Want to learn how to make your own hand, face, and body scrub? It will scrub away the dead skin cells and moisture the skin plus smell amazing with pure therapeutic grade essential oils. How about making your own bug spray to keep the bugs away? Join Nicole Schillinger dietitian and certified aromatherapist for this hands-on workshop where you will leave with your own products.

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UPCOMING MUNICIPAL CALENDAR

5/2/2022	Parks & Rec Advisory Board Meeting	7:00 pm	9/5/2022	Holiday: Labor Day	Offices Closed
5/4/2022	Environmental Advisory Council Meeting	6:00 pm	9/7/2022	Environmental Advisory Council Meeting	6:00 pm
5/9/2022	Board of Commissioners Work Session	7:00 pm	9/12/2022	Board of Commissioners Work Session	7:00 pm
5/11/2022	Planning Commission Meeting	7:30 pm	9/14/2022	Planning Commission Meeting	7:30 pm
5/18/2022	Police Pension Board Meeting	1:00 pm	9/19/2022	Parks & Rec Advisory Board Meeting	7:00 pm
5/23/2022	UGT Golf Outing	11:00 am	9/20/2022	Board of Commissioners Business Meeting	7:00 pm
5/24/2022	Board of Commissioners Business Meeting	7:00 pm	9/27/2022	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting	7:00 pm
5/30/2022	Holiday: Memorial Day	Offices Closed			
5/31/2022	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting	7:00 pm			
6/1/2022	Environmental Advisory Council Meeting	6:00 pm			
6/8/2022	Planning Commission Meeting	7:30 pm			
6/13/2022	Board of Commissioners Work Session	7:00 pm			
6/16/2022	Human Relations Commission Meeting	6:30 pm			
6/16/2022	Board of Commissioners Business Meeting	7:00 pm			
6/28/2022	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting	7:00 pm			
7/4/2022	Holiday: Independence Day	Offices Closed			
7/6/2022	Environmental Advisory Council Meeting	6:00 pm			
7/11/2022	Board of Commissioners Work Session	7:00 pm			
7/13/2022	Planning Commission Meeting	7:30 pm			
7/19/2022	Board of Commissioners Business Meeting	7:00 pm			
7/26/2022	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting	7:00 pm			
8/1/2022	Parks & Rec Advisory Board Meeting	7:00 pm			
8/3/2022	Environmental Advisory Council Meeting	6:00 pm			
8/8/2022	Board of Commissioners Work Session	6:30 pm			
8/10/2022	Planning Commission Meeting	7:30 pm			
8/16/2022	Board of Commissioners Business Meeting	7:00 pm			
8/17/2022	Police Pension Board Meeting	1:00 pm			
8/18/2022	Human Relations Commission	6:30 pm			
8/23/2022	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting	7:00 pm			

FOR SEWER BILL PAYMENTS

By Mail: Please note that payments MUST BE MAILED to Upper Gwynedd Township, P.O. Box 95000-5950, Philadelphia PA 19195-5950.

A return envelope is enclosed for your convenience. Be sure to write your account number on the check and include your payment stub!

Online: Visit our website www.uppergwynedd.org to pay online. Credit card payments will not be accepted by phone.

Bill Pay: Payments sent from your bank should be mailed to Upper Gwynedd Township, 1 Parkside Place, North Wales PA 19454. *Be sure to include your account number.*

In Person: Walk-in payments will be accepted at the Township Building.