

THE *Editor* UPPER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP

W I N T E R & S P R I N G 2 0 2 0 N E W S L E T T E R

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.



Upper Gwynedd Township

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Hours:
Monday through Friday
8:00am-4:30pm



TOWNSHIP HOLIDAYS OBSERVED

Township offices will be closed

January 1

New Year's Day

January 20

*Martin Luther
King Day*

February 17

President's Day

April 10

Good Friday

May 25

Memorial Day

July 4

Independence Day

September 7

Labor Day

October 12

Columbus Day

November 11

Veterans Day

Nov. 26 & 27

Thanksgiving

December 25

Christmas

Meet the Board of Commissioners



Left to Right: Liz McNaney, Ruth Damsker, Katherine Carter, Martha Simelaro, Denise Hull

Our newly elected Commissioners, Ruth Damsker, Katherine Carter and Martha Simelaro join Liz McNaney and Denise Hull as the first all-female Board in Upper Gwynedd history. We invite you to attend the Organization Meeting on Monday, January 6, 2020 at 7:30pm to witness them take their oaths of office.

Katherine D. Carter

Katherine is the wife of a US Navy veteran, a Principal in Philadelphia and has been a resident of Upper Gwynedd Township for 16 years.



She completed degrees at Chestnut Hill College, Cheyney University and St. Joseph's University. Katherine is excited to bring her leadership, budgeting, and management experience to our Upper Gwynedd community.

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REGISTER TO RECEIVE EMAIL ALERTS



On the Township's Website Home Page, under Website Resources click Email

Alerts and register to receive alerts and messages from any or all Departments of the Township.

SNOW EMERGENCY INFORMATION



A snow emergency shall be declared by the Township Manager and announced over the radio stations WNPV 1440 and KYW 1060. Emergency information and snow plow techniques will also be posted on www.uppergwynedd.org.

Township policy dictates a rotational plow schedule with each snowfall. This means no one neighborhood or street remains in the same position on the plow schedule. Township plows must operate at a minimum speed to create enough momentum to remove snow from the road.

A truck with a raised plow does not mean your area has been completed. They may be returning to the garage for fuel, additional materials, assisting in an emergency, etc. The state and county are responsible for state and county roads. Private roads and private lanes are not the Township's responsibility.

FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE



After we endure the winter and get into the warmer months, this is a reminder that it is a prime time of year for driveway and home repair scams. Anyone who solicits for business door to door in Upper Gwynedd needs a permit. If you are approached by anyone selling you something and you are unsure whether or not they are legitimate, call 911. *It is ok to call 911 for police even if it is not an emergency.* You can report solicitors, suspicious vehicles or persons, or any other concern to us right away by calling 911—it is not just for emergencies. So, please be mindful of possible scams and don't hesitate to call us to check something out and/or if you have questions.

As always, we appreciate your support in sharing information to keep our community safe!

Wastewater Improvement Program (WIP)

LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR TOWNSHIP INITIATIVE

Driving around town you may have noticed crews working in select areas as part of the Township's Wastewater Improvement Program.

What is Upper Gwynedd's Wastewater Improvement Program?

The Wastewater Improvement Program will expand the sewer infrastructure to allow UGT the ability to divert the current wastewater being sent to the Towamencin Municipal Authority back to Upper Gwynedd Township's Wastewater Treatment Plant.

There are several environmental reasons for the WIP. The diversion of wastewater back to UGT has a positive environmental impact and increases the quality of service to residents. As a result of this expansion, there will be fewer incidents of sanitary sewer overflows that can have a negative impact on the environment.

In addition, Upper Gwynedd's state of the art Wastewater treatment plant, includes the innovative Bio-Mag system, and Ultra-Violet (UV) disinfection of wastewater which significantly reduce the number of chemicals being released into our streams as a result of treatment. Both systems allow us to meet anticipated future environmental treatment standards. In addition to environmental reasons, there are also positive long-term financial benefits to this program. This project will allow Upper Gwynedd Township resident's taxpayer dollars to be invested in Upper Gwynedd Township's infrastructure, as opposed to another wastewater treatment plant. It allows for additional investment into an already state of the art facility.

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When will this project start and how will it impact residents?

Since this project may create a traffic detours and impact residents the Township has created a website to keep everyone informed—you can visit www.uppergwynedd.org/wip.

Crews will be centralized to specific areas at a given time. All project schedules will be kept up to date and posted on this site. Due to weather and variables inherent in construction projects, the schedule will be subject to change. This website page will be the main source of information and will be constantly updated with new information. The Township will also be posting information to social media to spread this information to residents.

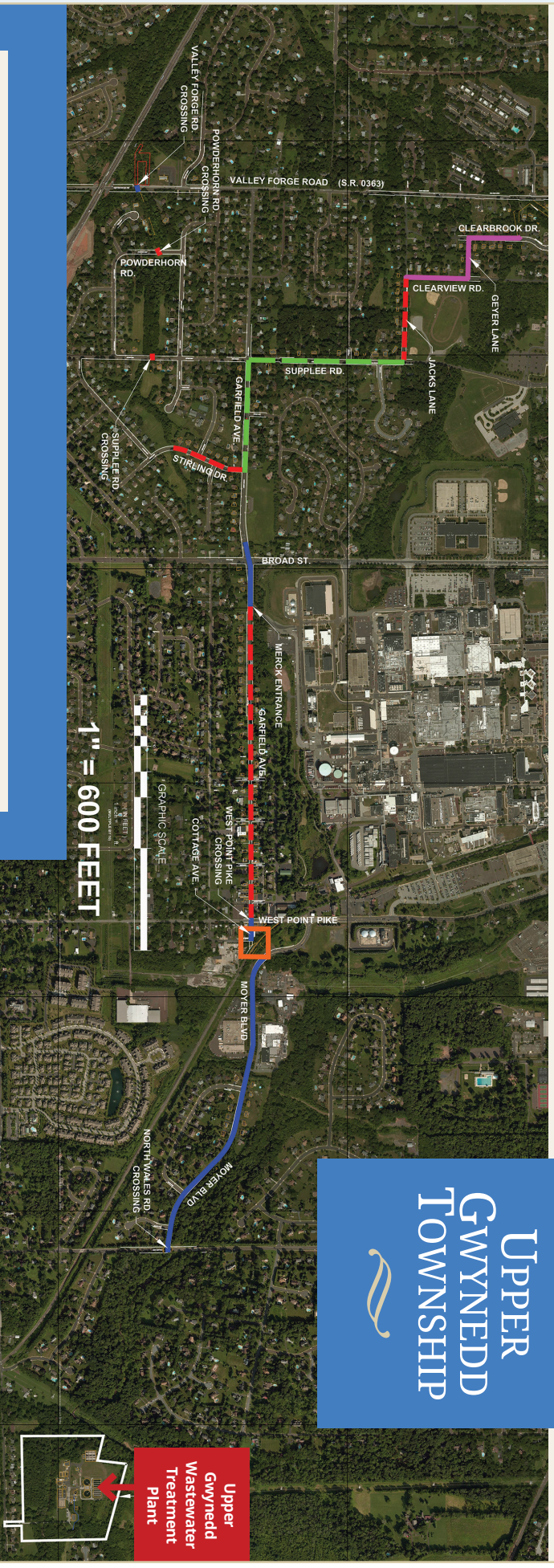
If you need additional information or would like to speak with someone about this project, please call the Township and ask for our Assistant Township Manager Megan Weaver.

For more information:

Bio-Mag System For more information regarding Bio-Mag System: www.evoqua.com/en/brands/Envirex/productinformationlibrary/BCBIOMAGBR.pdf

**WORK HOURS & TRAFFIC CONTROL
WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (WIP)**

WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM WORK HOURS AND TRAFFIC CONTROL



Upper Gwynedd Wastewater Treatment Plant

FLOW DIVERSION: WORK HOURS AND TRAFFIC CONTROL

LEGEND	WORK HOURS	TRAFFIC MAINTENANCE
	7 AM TO 5 PM	MAINTAIN AT LEAST ONE LANE
	7 AM TO 5 PM	CLOSE & DETOUR
	9 AM TO 3 PM	MAINTAIN AT LEAST ONE LANE
	9 AM TO 3 PM	CLOSE & DETOUR
	REFER TO DWG. 503 FOR COTTAGE AVE.	

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GENERAL STREET LOCATIONS	X			
CLEARBROOK DR	X			
GEYER LN	X			
CLEARVIEW RD	X			
JACKS LN	X			
SUPPLEE RD		X		
GARFIELD AVE (VARIOUS WORK HOURS)			X	
GARFIELD - SUPPLEE TO STIRLING			X	
GARFIELD - BROAD ST. TO MERCK ENTRANCE				X
GARFIELD - PAST MERCK TO WEST POINT PK.		X		
MOYER BLVD				X
POWDERHORN RD. CROSSING		X		
SUPPLEE RD. CROSSING		X		
STERLING RD.		X		
VALLEY FORGE RD. CROSSING		X		
WEST POINT PK. CROSSING				X
NORTH WALES RD. CROSSING				X
COTTAGE AVENUE - REFER TO DWG. 503 PROVIDED JULY 08, 2019				X

ZONING & PLANNING
Subdivision/Land Development

Below is a list of the proposed, approved, and under construction land developments currently active in Upper Gwynedd Township. A “proposed” subdivision/land development means that a developer has submitted a land development/subdivision application with their proposed development and is in the application phase. An “Approved” Land Development, is one that has been reviewed and approved by the Board of Commissioners, but construction has not yet begun. “Under Construction” are those land development projects that have been approved and site work on the project has begun. See below for the status of these subdivision/land development projects within the Township.

Under Construction

- Gwynedd Ridge (Allentown Rd. & Green St.) 27-lot residential development
- Gwynedd Park (Hancock Rd. next to Sanctuary Church) 30 twin homes
- Merck & Co. (West Point Campus) Building 63
- Colorcon (Moyer Blvd) expand warehouse and re-design of westerly parking lot
- Enclave at Maple Green (S. Broad St.) 5-lot residential development
- Enclave at Gwynwood Farm (W. Prospect opposite Church Rd.) 4-lot residential development

Approved

- Shoppes at Upper Gwynedd (Church Rd. & Sumneytown Pike (former Giant site): Conditionally approved

Proposed

- 229 Morris Rd.: 3-lot subdivision
- 1671 West Point Pike: 2-lot subdivision
- West Prospect Ave. (former Saint Rose Ballfield) 5-lot subdivision

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

We will host a second Comprehensive Plan Open House in the Spring/Summer 2020. It will be announced on our website soon!

Fire Safety
PORTABLE SPACE HEATERS



With winter upon us, many folks will be using portable space heaters to provide a little extra comfort at home or at work. Before doing so, you should know the basics in order to keep the area safe with these appliances. Each year, over 25,000 fires occur in the home due to heating equipment, resulting in over 300 fatalities, and 6,000 injuries. Portable space heaters can be a convenient source of supplemental heat for your home in cold weather. Unfortunately, they can pose significant fire and electric shock hazards if not used properly. Fire and electrical hazards can be caused by space heaters without adequate safety features, space heaters placed near combustibles, or space heaters that are improperly plugged in. To note, many businesses do not permit the use the space heaters at all. If you want to bring a heater to work, first check with your employer to see if it is permitted. For more information please visit <https://tinyurl.com/y8j7uhxg>.

If you are allowed to bring one to work, or choose to have one in your residence, please follow the following as per the International Fire Code:

- All portable electric space heaters shall be listed and labeled. This means that the appliance has been tested by Underwriters Laboratories (UL) or another Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory.
- Portable heaters shall only be plugged into an approved receptacle. Portable electric heaters are not to be used with an extension cord. Extension cords are not designed to handle the load that is required for a heater in use.
- A minimum of three feet clearance on all sides of the heater are required when near any combustibles. This will prevent radiant heating and subsequent ignition of nearby products.
- Never leave a space heater unattended. Turn it off when you're leaving a room or going to sleep, and don't let pets or children play too close to a space heater.
- Place space heaters on level, flat surfaces. Never place heaters on cabinets, tables, furniture, or carpet, which can overheat and start a fire.

Nor-Gwyn Baseball & Softball Registration

Is Spring, Softball and Baseball on your mind? Nor-Gwyn registration is open for all 2020 Spring/Summer season programs. Online registration is available for all programs and for both new and returning players. Nor-Gwyn baseball and softball programs are available for boys and girls, including Co-Ed T-Ball; Youth age, Connie Mack, American Legion, and Perky League Baseball, and, intramural and inter-community travel Softball. Please see www.norgwynbaseball.org for more information and to register.



Above: Connie Mack Championship Team. The team had a 20-4 record and went undefeated in the playoffs!

Public Works

“MILLING AND OVERLAY” VS. “MICRO-SURFACING”

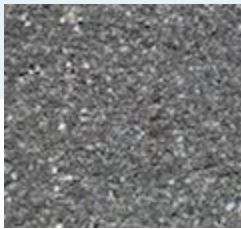
Several Township neighborhoods have had their roads worked on over the summer and into the fall. Some were milled and overlaid, others were micro-surfaced. What does each mean, exactly? Milling and Overlay involves the top one-and-a-half inches of the road surface being ground off and the road then re-blacktopped. About three years after a road has been re-blacktopped, we have contractors micro-surface the road with Ralumac®.

What is Ralumac?

Ralumac is a cold-applied asphalt-like material designed for all types of surfaces. Its effectiveness as an overlay carpet is derived from a Bitumen Emulsion, a binder which, when mixed with high quality aggregates and fillers, gives a material with excellent stability in summer and winter.



New Ralumac



Ralumac after one year

How does micro-surfacing work?

Ralumac is applied using self-contained mixing and laying equipment that continuously blends the separately loaded components in a job mix formula. It is then applied in a thin coat, sets quickly and can be driven on in about one hour. When applying the Ralumac to road surfaces, the contractor must overlap his paving passes to get full coverage. This process causes ridges to appear at these overlaps and leaves the road with a gritty appearance, but traffic wears down any irregularities in the paving surface and smooths them down in a relatively short time.

Ralumac 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 will decrease the need to use the milling-and-overlay practice.

Currently the majority of the Township's road maintenance budget goes to milling-and-overlay, which costs \$70 per square yard, opposed to Micro-Surfacing's \$2.50 per square yard cost. The more that roads are micro-surfaced, the less need there will be for Milling and Overlaying, at a great savings to taxpayers.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Helpful Reminders

- As a reminder with the winter months arriving, please take time to have your heating equipment checked for proper operation especially for the connection to the chimney where the products of combustion leave the heater to prevent the buildup of carbon monoxide fumes.
- In the event of snow, the Township ordinance requires sidewalks to be cleared with a 24 inches wide clear path within 24 hours after snow has ceased to fall.
- In order to assist first responders in identifying properties, the township property ordinance requires house numbers to be posted conspicuously on the street side of each property, the entrance gatepost or beside your property. With a snow fall house numbers painted on curbs may not be visible.
- Once spring arrives, if there is a deck on the property have it checked for signs of deterioration around connections and wood members.
- Brush, weeds and grass must be cut if in excess of 12 inches.
- Abandoned motor vehicles are not permitted on properties, please contact the Township as to what constitutes an abandoned vehicle.

Congratulations, Tomczak Family!



Tomczak family

Upper Gwynedd Township has yet another reason to be proud of its Tomczak family! Matthew Tomczak, nine, is a student at Gwynedd Square Elementary and a soap box derby enthusiast and racer. After beating out dozens of other drivers in July's qualifying Conshohocken derby, Matthew received a trophy, cash prize and \$500 spending money for the trip to compete in the 82nd Annual All-American Soap Box Derby World Championship in Akron,



Matthew Tomczak with dad, Jeff

Ohio. The son of proud parents Brittany and Jeffrey Tomczak, a township native and its Fire Marshal, Matthew won Second Place in the Local Stock Division! Congratulations, Tomczak's!

UPPER GWYNEDD

Recognizes Employees for Their Years of Service

Mike Romanowicz
10 years: Police Department
Eric Raser
10 years: Parks & Rec
Ted Caiola
20 years: Police Department
Bill Moriarty
20 years: Police Department

Jim Petherbridge
25 years: WWTP
Ben Townsend
25 years: Police Department
Steve Gillen
30 years: Police Department
Rodger Smith:
35 years Public Works
Willard Troxel
45 years: Public Works



Sewer Department

BEWARE OF FOG: FATS, OILS, AND GREASE

by Jeremy Matozzo, Upper Gwynedd Wastewater Treatment Plant

Many people do not realize the serious damage that could occur to their home plumbing system and the township infrastructure while doing something as insignificant as cooking a meal. Whether its cooking a big breakfast for the family on Sunday mornings or making your favorite snack for the big game, just about everything we cook will create fats, oils, and grease, which, if not disposed of correctly can cause a clog in the sewer pipe, resulting in a nasty mess of sewage spilling into your home or all over the front lawn. This would surely ruin everyone's appetite! Fats, Oils, and Grease, commonly referred to as FOG, can pose a significant risk to your home sewer line and the township's sanitary sewer system. Typically, FOG is created in the kitchen while preparing food. Everything from poultry products, baked goods, dairy products, fried foods, and just about everything in between, will create FOG.

As meals are prepared, cookware washed, and food scraps discarded down the garage disposal, the FOG gets washed down the drain. The fats, oils, and grease will separate from the wash water, settle in the drain pipe, and begin to cool. Once the FOG has cooled down it will harden, causing the pipe to become more and more restricted. Eventually the pipe becomes so restricted that nothing can pass through, creating a full blockage. Blockages can happen in both the residential sewer laterals and/or the township's sanitary sewer lines. In both cases, it can be environmentally unsafe, extremely messy, and very costly to correct.

As a township, we spend a considerable amount of resources combating FOG issues to prevent sanitary sewer overflows in our sewer collections system. However, we need your help by being good environmental stewards and not dumping FOG down the drain!

Now that you know risks associated with FOG, here are some tips to help you dispose of FOG the proper way.

- Pour fats, oils, and grease into a tin or can (*a coffee can or anything that will not melt, shall work*) and let the FOG cool down. Once hardened simply dispose the can into your trashcan.
- Scrape pots and pans with paper towel prior to washing in sink. Throw paper towel into trash.
- Throw food scraps into trash instead of down garbage disposal. If you have a garden, you can compost most scraps including any leftover fruits, veggies, dairy products, coffee grinds, and meats.
- Use a sink strainer that covers the kitchen sink drain and helps prevent debris from falling into the drain.
- Educate children about FOG and teach them early about proper food preparation and disposal.



Meet the Commissioners

CONTINUED FROM COVER

Katherine serves on the Teamsters Local 502, the Commonwealth Association of School Administrators, (CASA), as Union Steward for Principal's Union and mentors aspiring principals. She enjoys spending time with her family and her two Yorkie-Poos!

Ruth S. Damsker

A lifelong county resident, Ruth Damsker served her community for her entire adult life, as an elected official and volunteer. Her community service was recognized by various organizations and rewarded by voters who appreciate and respect Ruth's advocacy for government reform and fiscal responsibility. Ruth was elected Cheltenham Finance Officer and appointed Controller for 12 years earning her a reputation as a fiscal watchdog.



Ruth served two terms as County Commissioner (2000-2007). Among major achievements Ruth instituted the countywide Human Services Collaborative Board—increasing access to social services for all County residents, 42 miles of recreational trails and kept County property taxes low by making government more efficient. Community volunteer: President: Elkins Park Rotary, Cheltenham Unit of American Cancer Society (ACS) and VP of American Association of University Women (AAUW). From 1968-1971, Ruth served in Europe with the US Army Community Social Services Program as volunteer counselor for dependent families while her late husband, Major Jeffrey Damsker MD, served in US Army Medical Corps.

Ruth graduated from Temple University, B.S.W, has four children and is the proud grandmother of nine.

Martha A. Simelaro

Martha has been a resident of Upper Gwynedd for 30 years. She received her Electrical Engineering degree from Drexel University and her MBA in Management from DeSales University. Martha has more than 35 years of engineering, environmental, security, quality and compliance management experience from federal and commercial system and software development businesses, including leadership positions with GE, Lockheed Martin and, most recently as the VP of System Quality and Compliance at Reed Technology and Information Services. She is anxious to put her vast experience to work for the residents of Upper Gwynedd township. She serves as a member of the board on two Montgomery County nonprofits and, since her retirement, has given countless hours to both volunteer organizations.



Upper Gwynedd Community Association

NOW ACCEPTING YOUR DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR A BROAD SPECTRUM OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

As previously reported in our Newsletter, The Upper Gwynedd Community Association (UGCA) a 501 (c) (3) Non-Profit Corporation was being established by the Upper Gwynedd Township Board of Commissioners. It has now been approved and certified by the IRS and we are in business!

The UGCA was endorsed by the Upper Gwynedd Board of Commissioners to encourage philanthropy to support community initiatives both outside of and complementary to Municipal programs. 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 to benefit the Upper Gwynedd Community."**

Since receiving our official non-profit status, UGCA has already received two unsolicited donations from the Reserve at Gwynedd for use by the Police Department's DARE Program, and the McCausland Foundation for purchase of a police motorcycle. Merck & Co., Inc. has also made a generous grant for our health and wellness, math and science community programs. This grant, made possible by their Neighbor of Choice program, is funded by the Merck Foundation.

We are encouraged by this interest from the community. It is strong evidence of the willingness of parties to give back to the community. We are hopeful that this means of supporting activities and providing benefits to the community will encourage all to think about donating to the UGCA's fund, which can either be for a specific purpose, as shown above

for the Police, or for other worthy causes identified by the UGCA Board of Directors. The UGCA Board of Directors consists of members of the Upper Gwynedd Township Board of Commissioners and Community representatives.

UGCA will soon launch a marketing campaign to invite contributions and donations. This will include entries on the Upper Gwynedd Township web-site as well as other social media under the tagline **"Upper Gwynedd Community Association: Enhancing the quality of life for the Upper Gwynedd Community"**.

In the interim, the UGCA is accepting donations which can be made out to the Upper Gwynedd Community Association and mailed or delivered to David Brill, Finance Director, at the Township building. We look forward to hearing from you. More to come about our goals and the exciting opportunities available through the UGCA. Thank you!

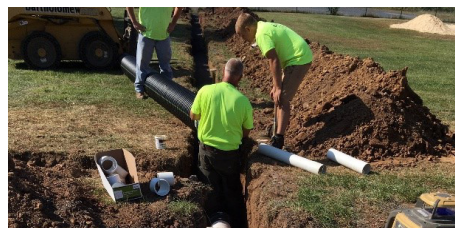
Nor-Gwyn Pool Improvements

FOR THE 2020 SEASON

Big things are happening at the pool in preparation for the 2020 summer season! The heavy equipment rolled onto the site the day the last swimmer stepped out of the water, and excavation was begun to install new drainage channels around the entire pool. The new drainage system and concrete work being done this fall will reduce puddling and help keep the pool safer and looking great for years to come. At the same time, the Nor-Gwyn Pool Commissioners took the opportunity to incorporate electrical upgrades to support much-needed new lighting for the pool. The existing light poles were reaching their expected lifetimes, and the new LED lights will be much more effective in keeping our pool brighter for our evening events.



Photos: Nor-Gwyn Pool Commission project to install new deck drainage around the entire perimeter of the main pool along with replacement of the decking and lighting around the main pool.



POOL REGISTRATION IS CHANGING

The Pool Commission announced that the membership application process is changing in 2020. The registration period starts earlier, on March 1. During March, only prior members (*within the last three years*) will have a "head start" on a membership for the season. New member registration will NOT be available during this period. Beginning April 1, registration will be available for all—both new and returning families. Memberships during this general registration period will be awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis and registration will close when the pool's capacity is reached. All are encouraged to register on time; membership slots are likely to be filled earlier than ever, possibly even prior to May 1st. Those interested in joining the Nor-Gwyn Pool should visit their website www.norgwynpool.com, where more information is available.

Parks & Recreation

UPPER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP

W I N T E R & S P R I N G 2 0 2 0 N E W S L E T T E R

PARK & 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.

PROGRAM REGISTRATION *Registration is online payable by credit card. (A small service charge is associated with online payments.) To pay by cash or check (payable to Upper Gwynedd Township), visit the Township building between 8am-4pm, Mon-Fri. Registrations will not be taken at the program. You must complete your profile on Community Pass in order to complete the registration process both online and in person. Please visit www.uppergwynedd.org under the Parks & Recreation tab. Click "Register Now!" to get started.*

BUS TRIP

Washington DC Cherry Blossom Festival Trip March, 28, 2020

TIME Depart 7am, Return 7pm
AGES Open to all ages
FEE \$50/person

Hagey Coach Bus will drop off at approximately 10:30am giving you plenty of time to walk around Washington DC, to see the beautiful cherry blossoms. **All museum admissions are free of charge**, so take your pick from the Academy of Natural Sciences, Holocaust Museum or Air and Space Museum. Lunch on your own.

Upcoming Events

Montgomery County Senior Games Monday, May 11- Friday, May 15

Experience a week of various competitions such as basketball, billiards, bowling, horseshoes and more. Any Montgomery County resident 50 years or older is eligible. Visit www.montcoseniorgames.com.



Earth Day Community Garden Kick Off

Wednesday, April 22

LOCATION Parkside Place
TIME 10:00am-1:00pm
FEE Free!

To keep the Earth healthy and clean, we need to do our part. Join Upper Gwynedd to make positive change in the quality of life for our residents. For more details visit the Parks and Recreation page. To volunteer, please contact the Upper Gwynedd Township Parks and Recreation Department.

Summer Breeze Concert Series

There will be five BIG concerts this year! Check www.uppergwynedd.org for info. **Calling All Food Trucks!** Upper Gwynedd Township is looking for any interested food truck vendors to participate in The Summer Breeze Concert Series! This is a great event to get exposure and advertisement for your business.



25th Anniversary of Parksci Playground

Free event in June 2020

Celebrate this amazing 25-year-old structure! Food, games, a concert and other fun activities will be enjoyed. We will also launch a funding effort for refacing the playground at this time. For more details, visit the Parks and Recreation page. To volunteer or donate, please contact the Upper Gwynedd Township Parks and Recreation Department.

THANK YOU TO OUR 2019 SPONSORS

Thanks to our sponsors generosity, Upper Gwynedd Township continues to be one of the premier recreation departments in the area and is able to provide quality recreation programming for our residents and the entire North Penn community. Please contact Sarah Prebis, Director of Parks and Recreation, for information on how your company can help support our mission.

Platinum

- Merck & Co.

Gold

- Allan Myers
- Code Inspections, Inc
- Colorcon
- Environmental Engineering & Management Associates, Inc
- TD Bank
- T&M Associates
- Univest Banking, Insurance, Investments
- WB Homes, Inc

Silver

- E. Van Rieker AICP
- North Penn Gulf
- Wisler Pearlstine, LLP
- Wawa

Bronze

- 3M Doyle Window Tinting
- American Heritage FCU
- Bergey's Inc.
- Cohen Law Group
- Del Val Senior Advisor
- Hamburg, Rubin Mullin Maxwell & Lupin, PC
- Heinrich & Klein Associates, Inc.
- Kahn, Bobrin & Associates
- Reimel Landscaping

YOUTH CLASSES

Engineering for Kids

Aerospace Engineering: Taking to the Skies

Saturdays, January 4–18

LOCATION	Community Building
AGES	4–7
TIME	9:00am–11:00am
FEE	\$134

This class introduces young engineers to fundamental concepts of aircraft and spacecraft design. Through open and focused exploration, students explore and construct airplanes, rockets, and helicopters.

Apprentice Aerospace Engineering: Up, up and Away

Saturdays, January 4–18

LOCATION	Community Building
AGES	8–12
TIME	11:30am–1:30pm
FEE	\$134

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 model blimp that actually takes flight!

Young Rembrandts

Drawing

**Saturdays, January 18–February 15
or Saturdays, February 22–March 21**

LOCATION	North Wales Library
TIME & AGE	9:00am–9:45am (4–6 years) 10:00am–11:00pm (7–14 years)
FEE	\$74

Students take on artistic challenges like our winter birdhouses and sporty snowboarder lesson in January. In February, students will master perspective as they complete a challenging palm tree scene, cute penguins and their own version of Grant Wood's American Gothic. And in the month of March, get ready for a mix of elegance and graphic style drawings as students complete a graceful swan and line art owl.

Theatre Horizon

Wednesdays, January 8–February 12

LOCATION	Community Building
AGES	Grades 1st–4th
TIME	4:30pm–6:00pm
FEE	\$130

The performance will be February 12. For more information, see our website at www.uppergwynedd.org

Kitchen Wizards

Valentine's Chocolates

Saturday, February 8

LOCATION	Community Building
AGES	8–12
TIME	2:00pm–4:00pm
FEE	\$30

Kids will love making an assortment of chocolate candies—with samples to bring home to enjoy with the family. Bring a beverage!

Rainbow Connection

Sunday, March 15

LOCATION	Community Building
AGES	5–9
TIME	1:00pm–2:30pm
FEE	\$30

Rainbows, dinosaurs, and unicorns are all the rage for young children! Imagine how delighted they'll be to prepare dinosaur eggs (multi-colored grapes), unicorn dip, and rainbow pasta!

Cupcake Decorating

Sunday, April 19

LOCATION	Community Building
AGES	9–13
TIME	1:00pm–3:00pm
FEE	\$30

This class will start with participants baking black bottom cupcakes. Next, kids will learn the basics of buttercream cupcake decorating, from tinting frosting to filling pastry bags to practicing using tips. They'll then decorate a chocolate cupcake and a vanilla cupcake to display their skills.

Computer Explorers

Mondays, March 2–April 6

LOCATION	Community Building
AGES	8–11
TIME	4:30pm–5:30pm
FEE	\$110

Visit www.uppergwynedd.org for info.

Mad Science

**Saturdays, March 7–April 18
(No class April 11)**

LOCATION	Community Building
AGES	5–12
TIME	9:00am–10:00am
FEE	\$124

Children will learn to recognize chemical reactions and mix up a few reactive ingredients. They will explore the pH extremes, push the power of tape to the limits, build a bond with glue and get attached to Professor Beakerdude! They will discover things that glow in the dark, how a real lab works, and use a Thermocolor Cup to test the temperature of liquid matter! Manipulate matter in all of its three states, create slime using the Mad Science recipe, and then enter the Slime Olympics!

Babysitting Certification Class

Saturday, March 21

LOCATION	Upper Gwynedd Twp Building, Main Meeting Room
AGES	11–15 (<i>must be 11 yrs old at the start of class</i>)
TIME	9:00am–3:00pm
FEE	\$64/registrant

This certification course provides teens with the confidence and skills to care for youngsters. Prospective employers will be happy to hire babysitters who have acquired this official recognition. Upon completion of the course, you will receive an American Red Cross Certification Card, an interactive CD, as well as child care concepts. You must attend the entire course, pass the evaluations, and show the maturity to properly care for children. Please bring a lunch, pencil and snack. No late registrations accepted.

ADULT FITNESS

Sculpt and Define

MONDAYS:

Session I: January 6–January 27, \$30

Session II: February 10–March 16, \$44

Session III: March 30–May 4, \$44

LOCATION Community Building

AGES 18+

TIME 6:15pm–7:15pm

FEE \$44

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 BLAST 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:

Session I: January 8–January 29, \$30

Session II: February 12–March 18, \$44

Session III: April 1–May 6, \$44

LOCATION Community Building

AGES 18+

TIME 6:15pm–7:15pm

FEE \$44

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 12 people. Only thing you need to bring is your mat and an open mind to a fitter, healthier you!

Yoga

Please check our website for more details: www.uppergwynedd.org

ADULT CLASSES

Kitchen Wizards

Valentine's Celebration

Sunday, March 8, 2020

LOCATION Community Building

AGES 18+

TIME 5:30pm–8:00pm

FEE \$35/person

Learn to prepare a nice dinner for your Valentine or bring along your Valentine (or bestie) to start the celebration early! In this program, we'll prepare chicken Francaise, roasted asparagus, lemon risotto, and molten chocolate lava cakes. Bring a beverage (non-alcoholic) and your appetite.

Medicare Seminar

Wednesday, May 27, 2020

LOCATION Community Building

AGES 18+

TIME 6:30pm–8:00pm

FEE FREE

Learn everything you need to know about Medicare!



Romantic Dinner

Sunday, March 22, 2020

LOCATION Community Building

AGES 18+

TIME 12:00pm–2:00pm

FEE \$35/person

With so many Spring occasions on the horizon (showers, Easter, Mother's Day, weddings), you'll learn to prepare a brunch spread that will appeal to everyone, including quiche, scones, salad, and chocolate chip Danish pinwheels. Bring a beverage and an appetite.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Weeknights June 8–Friday, July 31

Registration open online NOW!

LOCATION Parkside Place Basketball Courts

AGES 18+

TIME 5:30pm–8:00pm

FEE \$90/player

Registration Deadline: May 18

(\$10 late fee afterwards)

Walk-In Registration:

Wednesday, May 13 from 6:00pm–8:00pm

Boys Junior:

7th & 8th grade

Boys Intermediate:

9th & 10th grade

Boys Senior:

11th & 12th grade

Girls Junior Division:

7th & 8th grade

Girls Senior Division:

9th–12th grade

Interested in coaching?

Contact Sarah Prebis at 215-699-7777.



PICKLEBALL

To control crowds at our four new pickleball courts, we have created a "Meetup" group to help players



organize themselves. The fee for 2020 is \$25 for residents and \$40 for non-residents (Register at www.uppergwynedd.org) and is valid for the entire calendar year. Once registered, you may join the Meetup group (go to www.meetup.com and search "Upper Gwynedd Pickleball") and sign up for specific dates. 2020 dates will be Monday and Wednesdays–Friday from 5:30pm to 8:00pm and Saturdays from 9:00am to noon.

LESSONS: 9–10 am, \$40/pp

Spring 1

Beginner (Mondays) 4/6–4/27

Intermediate (Thursdays) 4/9–4/30

Spring 2

Beginner (Mondays) 5/4–5/25

Intermediate (Thursdays) 5/7–5/28

OUTDOOR YOUTH SPORTS

Spring Youth Soccer League

Thursday, April 2–Saturday, May 9

(Rain Date: May 16)

LOCATION Parkside Place Complex

AGES 3–8

FEE \$65/player

Reversible jersey & socks are an additional fee

Registration Deadline: Sunday, March 12

(\$10 late fee if space is available)

Team and individual photos are also included in the registration fee. Participation gifts will be given at the conclusion of the league.

Volunteer Parent Coaches are needed for this program.

All head coaches will receive their registration fee back as a form of recreation credit at the end of the season. Credit may be used for any future recreational programs offered by UGT. Register to coach when you register your child! All help is appreciated. If you are interested please contact the Upper Gwynedd Township Park and Recreation Department.



KIDS NIGHT OUT BABYSITTING

Saturday, January 18

Saturday, February 15

Saturday, March 14

LOCATION Community Building

AGES 3–12

TIME 6:00pm–9:00pm

FEE \$25 + \$15/sibling

Drop your three year old through twelve year old's off for a night of crafts, pizza, and fun! Parents could use this time to get some shopping done, have a much-needed date night, or just some "me" time!

Jump Start Sports

Hummingbird Soccer

Spring: Tuesdays, April 7–May 12

(Six sessions)

LOCATION Parkside Place Park

TIME & AGE 5:30pm–6:30pm (3-4 years)

6:30pm–7:30pm (5-6 years)

FEE \$80 per registrant

Includes team tee shirt and award

Players have fun and learn the basics of soccer: dribbling, passing, trapping, shooting, and positioning. Each session consists of instruction in each aspect of the game, participation in fun, age appropriate drills that are designed to teach skills, and low-key, non-competitive game. Register at www.jumpstartsports.com.



T-Bird T-Ball

Spring: Wednesdays, April 8–May 13

(Six sessions)

LOCATION Parkside Place Park

AGES 3–6

TIME 5:30pm–7:30pm

Time determined by schedule, everyone plays for one hour

FEE \$95 per registrant

Includes team tee shirt, MLB cap and award

Players learn the basics of throwing, catching, fielding, batting, and base running, and then apply what they have learned in fun, non-competitive games. Sessions are one hour long, one day per week, and include all instruction and game play in one outing. Instruction is conducted by Jump Start Sports staff coaches. Players receive a Major League Baseball hat, team tee shirt, and medal. Register at www.jumpstartsports.com.

Junior All-Stars

Spring: Saturdays, April 18–May 16

LOCATION Parkside Place Park

AGES 2 ½–5

TIME 10:00am–10:00am and

11:00am–12:00pm

FEE \$70 per registrant

TENNIS LESSONS

LOCATION Parkside Place Tennis Courts

TIME & AGE 5:30pm–6:15pm (5–6 years)

5:30pm–6:15pm (7–8 years)

6:15pm–7:15pm (9–10 years)

FEE \$60 per 5-week session

Must bring racquet, water and sneakers.

Lessons by tennis professionals from the Penn Suburban Community Tennis Association. PSCTA is a local, not-for-profit organization registered through the United States Tennis Association. Scaled-to-size equipment and playing area allows children to play the game, increasing the likelihood that they will return and continue to improve!

SPRING 1ST SESSIONS

April 21–May 19 *May 26: Rain Date*
(5-week program Tuesdays ONLY)

April 23–May 21 *May 28: Rain Date*
(5-week program Thursdays ONLY)

SPRING 2ND SESSIONS

June 2–June 30 *July 7: Rain Date*
(5-week program Tuesdays ONLY)

June 4–July 2 *July 9: Rain Date*
(5-week program Thursdays ONLY)

LITTLE TOTS

May 30–June 27 *July 11 - Rain Date*
(5-week program Saturdays ONLY)

AGES & TIME 3–6; 9:00am–9:45am

FREE Tennis Play Day

Saturday, April 11

LOCATION Parkside Place Tennis Courts

AGE 10 and under

TIME 10:00am–12:00pm

FEE FREE

Enjoy a morning of free play with the PSCTA. The event will feature quick matches with players of similar age and skill. Experience the thrill of competition and gain confidence without the pressure! Online registration at www.pscta.usta.com/registration_events. All program registrations are taken at www.communitypass.net.



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North Wales Area Library Events, Programs and News

Special Events in 2020

2020 Oscar Movie Series

From 3/2 until 5/20 20 we will be showing 2020 Oscar winning and nominated movies each Monday at 1:30pm and again on Wednesday at 6:30pm.

Census Days

We will be hosting special census days in April and May. Library staff will be available to help with the on-line census.

Elvis Visit

"Elvis" will be dropping by the library for a fun night of music on Friday, 4/24 at 7pm. Ticket required. BYOB.



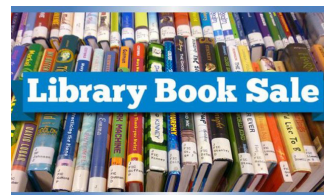
Mother's Day Tea

We will host a special tea for mothers and daughters on Saturday, May 9.



Taste of Montgomery County

On Thursday, 3/26 from 5:30 to 8:00pm at Montgomery County Community College.



Library Spring Book Sale

Will run Friday, 5/15 until Sunday, 5/17. Thursday, 5/14 will be \$5 preview night for those who want a first look.

Attraction Passes

Passes can be checked out for **free** to visit places like museums, gardens, and zoos **free of charge**. The Library offers passes to over 30 local attractions including: Tyler Arboretum, Eastern State Penitentiary, the Mutter Museum, Philadelphia's Magic Gardens, the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania and more!



Donate Your Car to Support the Library

The Library will benefit from the proceeds of the sale or salvage of your vehicle. Your donation is tax deductible. Contact Point Service Center to donate your vehicle to NWAL. Arrangements will be made (at no cost to you). Call 215-699-TIRE (8473) or email poinservicctr@gmail.com

NORTH WALES LIBRARY

Monday–Thursday:
10:00am to 9:00pm
Friday: 10:00am to 4:00pm
Saturday: 1:00am to 5:00pm
Closed Sunday
northwaleslibrary.com

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