



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.

UPPER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP

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

RESPECT THE FLAG

You may drop off your worn or tattered flag in the lobby of the Township Building and we will take care of its proper disposal.



THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart." Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

Please bring your UNDECORATED Christmas tree to the Nor Gwyn Pool Parking lot between December 26 through January 2024 to be recycled.



Upper Gwynedd Township's 2024 Budget Overview

Once again, Upper Gwynedd Township has developed a fair, balanced budget that addresses the growing needs of our community. The 2024 Budget has no tax increase for the 9th year in a row.

The General Fund budget for 2024 is \$22,406,138. This budget includes a robust increase in expenditures, which is due mainly to the timing of several large grant funded infrastructure projects (Haines Run & Sumneytown Pike Bridge Replacement). The year-over-year increase reflects stable real estate transfer tax, increased earned income tax revenues, increased grant revenues, innovative programs, projects, and services to meet our community's goals. The 2024 budget emphasizes priorities that are critical to Upper Gwynedd Township, including investments in infrastructure (bridges, roads, stormwater, wastewater and walkability). We also continue our investment in our accredited Police Department with the addition of one officer bringing our sworn staff to 23 and allowing for the creation of a Traffic Safety Unit. Planned expenditures also help to fund our Volunteer Fire Department, the North Wales Area Library, and our Facilities projects including a new roof on the Administration and Police Building and the completion of our Administration Building Security project.

This year also marks the first year that Upper Gwynedd Township will contribute \$100,000 to the Volunteer Medical Services Corps (VMSC), our local ambulance provider. This funding will ensure the stability of our

local ambulance corps at a time when EMS is in crisis nationally. With these planned services and Capital improvements, Upper Gwynedd Township is financially secure, with \$13,252,211 (62%) in the "rainy day fund," our General Fund Reserve.

Although there is not a tax increase, this budget does include a \$75 annual increase in our Wastewater Treatment rates. Rates haven't increased since 2017 and this increase is driven by our Capital Plan expenditures, inflationary cost increases and efficiency upgrades at the plant. Our planned capital projects will represent an investment of \$3.75 million over the next several years. These Capital improvements will increase efficiencies, reduce overtime, increase our ability to handle unplanned WIP Infiltration and Inflow impacts and continue our history of running a top notch, technologically advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant. Even with the increased rates, our Wastewater rates remain low, the 2nd lowest of the eight surrounding communities we compare to.

The full 2024 Budget will be available on our Township website at www.uppergwynedd.org. You can also view our full Budget Presentation from our November 13th Board of Commissioners meeting on our website, for a more detailed account of projects planned for 2024. Our UGT team is eager to make improvements to the Township's infrastructure while continuing to provide the best possible services to our valued residents in 2024.

Police Department News NEW DARE OFFICER!

In October, Officer Brant Whisler successfully completed his Pennsylvania DARE instructor certification course. The course was held in Fort Indiantown Gap for two weeks. Officer Whisler looks forward to making an impact on our community's children and youth as their DARE instructor. All of us at UGPD



look forward to it as well! Officer Whisler (*second from the right*) began his career in Upper Gwynedd Township in 2005. He has a bachelor's degree in chemistry and has served in the US Coast Guard. His duties at Upper Gwynedd PD include being a Field Training Officer, member of the Montgomery County, Central Region, SWAT team; PD rapid response coordinator; and he is our first official "Pet Detective" – having started our local pet registry several years ago.

UPPER GWYNEDD RECOGNIZES EMPLOYEES FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

5 Years

Jim O'Mara, *WWTP*
Mike Frezza, *Public Works*

10 Years

Matt Toro, *Police*
John Cosentino, *WWTP*
Yin Young, *Police*

15 Years

Bob Pro, *Police*
Chief David Duffy, *Police*

20 Years

Colleen Tronoski, *Administration*
Peg Poirier, *Police Administration*

25 Years

Fred Lynch, *Police*

40 Years

Denny Gerhart, *Public Works*
John Chabala, *Parks & Rec*

50 Years

Dave Richard, *Public Works*

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in "giving back" to your community, we have the following volunteer positions open:

- Human Relations Commission
- Nor Gwyn Pool Commission
- Police Pension Board
- Environmental Advisory Council
- Planning Commission
- Parks & Rec Advisory Committee
- Zoning Hearing Board (alternate)

Please send your resume to Assistant Township Manager, Megan Weaver at mweaver@uppergwynedd.org for consideration.

Put a FREEZE on Winter Fires

Home fires occur more in winter than in any other season. As you stay cozy and warm this winter, be fire smart!

<p>Half of all home heating fires occur in December, January and February.</p>	<p>1 in every 7 home fires and 1 in every 5 home fire deaths involves heating equipment.</p>	<p>Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet from any heat source like fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators or space heaters.</p>
<p>Keep portable generators outside, away from windows, and as far away from your home as possible.</p>	<p>Install and test carbon monoxide alarms at least once a month.</p>	<p>Plug only 1 heat-producing appliance (like a space heater) into an electrical outlet at a time.</p>
<p>Have a qualified professional clean and inspect your chimney and vents every year.</p>	<p>Store cooled ashes in a tightly covered metal container, and keep it outside at least 10 feet from your home and any nearby buildings.</p>	

For more information on how to prevent winter fires, visit www.usfa.fema.gov/winter and www.nfpa.org/winter.



Environmental Advisory Council

The Environmental Advisory Council (EAC) was busy this Fall with many events and efforts to promote environmental awareness and sustainability in the Township. The EAC held a composting workshop as well as a zero-waste workshop. The EAC also participated in the Township's Fall Fest, providing information on native and invasive species, tree planting, and handing out reusable bags and backpacks to help reduce waste.



The EAC sponsored an informational meeting on regional plastic waste reduction efforts. The workshop included a detailed presentation by Faran Savitz of Penn Environment who provided information on the environmental and health impacts of plastic waste, the plastic waste reduction options available, and the ordinances that are being passed in many Montgomery County townships. Also, the results of the EAC's township-wide survey on plastic waste reduction were presented. For more information on this issue,

please check out the EAC's website at: www.uppergwynedd.org/environmental-advisory-council/pages/plastic-waste.

Please keep an eye out for future workshops and presentations on environmental topics of interest to Township residents and businesses. Plans for the EAC's next Arbor Day native tree and plant giveaway are already underway. We are planning a larger event this Spring with more types of plants in addition to a variety of trees to be planted by residents in the Township. More information will be available on the Township's website, Facebook, and other social media sites.

Finally, as the cold weather approaches, the EAC urges everyone to not only stay safe, but to try to keep the environment healthy by limiting the use of salt and other materials which can get into our local streams and creeks. While road salt helps keep roads and sidewalks safe during icy weather, too much salt harms streams and water quality. The salt eventually washes into our watersheds where it damages the quality of drinking water and harms aquatic life in freshwater streams and lakes.

Ideally, freshwater lakes and streams should have low to no salt content. A national conservation organization – The Isaak Walton League of America – has been monitoring salt in waterways throughout the country, including our region. In 2020, the organization found 37 percent of water monitoring results submitted to them for our region yielded high salt readings, and of those high readings, 20 percent were at toxic levels. Even in a relatively mild winter, these results showed some high salt readings for the region's waterways. This suggests that road salt pollution has staying power and can harm aquatic life and drinking water for years after the salt hits the road. It also suggests that smarter salt application could make a big difference.

For more information on road salt use and to participate in the ongoing monitoring of the impacts of road salt on our local waterways, check the Isaak Walton League at www.iwla.org/water/stream-monitoring/salt-watch. They provide a free kit to monitor road salt in local streams. This can be a fun – and important – activity to do with children while teaching them about the environment.

Zoning SUB-DIVISION & LAND DEVELOPMENT

Under Construction:

- Merck & Co. (West Point Campus) Buildings 50, Boiler 11, 32, and 63A – under construction.
- 645 Jones Avenue – 3 lot subdivision was under construction. Currently there is no activity.
- Shoppes at Upper Gwynedd (Church Rd. & Sumneytown Pike – former Giant site) – Includes existing Royal Farms Convenience Store and two retail buildings complete. Building adjacent to Parc Apartments will be a Montessori School. Capriotti's Sandwich Shop, Parker's Barber Shop and Rolly Rice are initial occupants of retail space.
- Roosevelt Court, State St, 9-lot subdivision. All 9 homes complete – 6 are occupied.
- 779-783 Sumneytown Pike, Wheatley Walk, 17 Townhomes – All complete.

- 180 Wissahickon Ave. Approved by Commissioners and under construction.
- 211 Gwynedd Avenue – New single-family dwelling is complete.
- 615 West Prospect Avenue - New single-family dwelling. Under construction.
- Moyer Blvd. & West Point Pike – 10 twin homes. Under construction.
- 584 W. Prospect Avenue – New single family dwelling under construction.

Approved:

- 645 Sumneytown Pike – 2-lot subdivision – one new house on Barberry Rd.
- 375 Morris Road – MCIU occupancy and playground - Approved.

Proposed

- 825 Morris Rd. – 4 new single-family lots – pending final approval.

- New Wawa Store with gas at Valley Forge Rd. and Sumneytown Pike. Existing building to be demolished. Approved by the ZHB. Site construction plan pending final approval.
- 212 Church Road – Secure Storage. Proposed 2nd building approved by the ZHB. Site construction plan pending final approval.
- 203 Church Road – 2 new warehouse buildings (total 166,600 sq.ft) Dimensional variances approved by the ZHB. Next step is submittal of land development plan.
- 1010 Church Road – The Learning Experience – Grading and construction plans underway
- 1500 Pennbrook Parkway – 60 units – TOD-2 zoning was adopted. Next step is submittal of land development plan.



VMSC Emergency Medical Services

When a medical emergency strikes, you dial 9-1-1, and the ambulance rushes to your aid – perhaps with lights flashing and sirens blaring. For many, that's the extent of their interaction with emergency medical services. But VMSC Emergency Medical Services is so much more than that.

VMSC boasts a rich history dating back to 1933, when Dr. Frank E. Boston, a local surgeon, founded the Volunteer Medical Service Corps to provide vital emergency medical and rescue services to the North Penn region. Dr. Boston's efforts also gave birth to Elm Terrace Hospital, now known as Jefferson Lansdale Hospital. What sets us apart is that we are proud to be the first EMS service founded by an African American. We honor our roots and Dr. Boston's legacy by embodying his creed daily: Loyalty, Mercy, and Humanity.

Just two years ago, the VMSC Board of Directors initiated a transformative change, reorganizing and reinvesting in the organization, all with a commitment to enhancing our services and embracing the philosophy of "Redefining Community

First." This led to successful recruitment, offering competitive wages and exceptional insurance benefits to our staff, resulting in improved coverage and more ambulances available in our response plan.

Today, VMSC deploys 8 ambulances around the clock, serving the North Penn and Indian Valley areas. We've set a high standard for clinical excellence, consistently outperforming national averages in advanced airway management, cardiac arrest ROSC, IV access, and heart attack scene time. With over 2500 hours of training, active peer reviews, and quality improvement, we remain committed to putting our community first. VMSC also features robust K9 Search and Rescue, Drone, and Tactical Medic teams.

Our mission of "Redefining Community First" drives our daily operations, and you'll often find us at many community events, proudly showing our support. Whether it's under the Friday Night Lights at a North Penn Football home game or in our Community CPR classes, we are dedicated to our community's safety and well-being.

In 2024, we're excited to expand our community education offerings. Stay tuned!

You may wonder why ambulance trips can be expensive, unlike a more budget-friendly Uber ride. Well, an ambulance is more like a mobile hospital, equipped with all the tools, supplies, and trained personnel needed for life-threatening emergencies.

The high costs associated with outfitting a modern ambulance and ensuring that we have 8 fully staffed ambulances ready to respond to your needs contribute to the expense. To help you minimize these costs and support the long-term sustainability of VMSC, we offer subscription options. Subscriptions not only save you money in emergencies but also assist in maintaining our vital services.

For more information, please visit our website at www.vmsclansdale.com or reach out to our business office at 215-855-3779. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook at [Facebook.com/VMSC345](https://www.facebook.com/VMSC345) for the latest updates.

Human Relations Commission to Host Lunch & Learn for Businesses

The UGT Human Relations Commission, in conjunction with the Greater Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce, will hold a Lunch & Learn on Thursday, April 4, 2024 for owners of township businesses to provide information about state and federal laws regarding accommodation for protected class individuals. A representative of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission will be on hand to discuss the definitions and policies that are crucial for understanding discrimination and its prevention and to answer questions that may arise. Lunch will be provided to all attendees.

The workshop is part of our ongoing effort to raise awareness about rights and responsibilities around the Americans with Disabilities Act, and to expand our visibility in the community. To that end, you will

find us at UG township events, introducing ourselves and providing information. Most recently, we enjoyed meeting many township residents at the Fall Fest.

The Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, established in 1955, enforces state laws that prohibit discrimination. These state laws include the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act (PHRA), which covers discrimination in employment, housing, commercial property, education, and public accommodations.

In 2020, Upper Gwynedd joined neighboring municipalities in establishing a local commission, as part of our goal to be a community where people from all walks of life can live, work, and visit free from harassment and unlawful discrimination. Unlike the state commission, our HRC has

no enforcement standing, but rather serves in an informational and advisory capacity.

The UGT HRC is comprised of five volunteer township residents who are available to mediate disputes or complaints of discrimination. Outreach efforts include providing information to the community about unlawful discrimination.

The HRC is non-partisan and provides services free of charge. Meetings are held quarterly. The UG Human Relations Commission is currently looking for additional members. If you are interested in joining us, or for more information about the Lunch & Learn on April 4th, please contact the township office.





Public Works Department

SNOW PREP

During a snowstorm, ensuring that public works vehicles can pass safely is crucial for the maintenance of essential services and public safety. Here are some tips to help prepare for and manage a snowstorm to facilitate the passage of these vehicles:

- If tree branches extend from your property into the street, they should be cut back to prevent damage to the plow trucks and emergency vehicles.
- The front of the mailbox should be behind the curb so as not to protrude into the street to prevent from being hit by the plow.
- Please wait to put out trash and recycling as well because these can also be a hindrance from allowing the plows to get through and clear the roads.
- Avoid parking on the street during a snowstorm, if possible. This makes it easier for snowplows to clear the road without obstacles. Use your driveway or off-street parking areas to keep the road clear.
- It is best to move basketball stands off the street so they will not block the roadways and prevent essential road crews from getting through.
- Understand that public works teams are working hard to clear roads and keep everyone safe during a snowstorm. Snow removal can be time-consuming, so exercise patience and avoid unnecessary travel until conditions improve.

The Township will be doing their part to prepare the roadways for snowfall as well. Upper Gwynedd brines the roads with the first anticipation of snow. Once it starts snowing, the Public Works Department will be out and about salting the roads. When the snow accumulations reach 2-4 inches, the plows will be out in full force.



Remember that each snowstorm is unique, and adaptation to local conditions is essential. Flexibility, effective communication, and a well-coordinated response are key to ensuring that public works vehicles can pass safely during and after a snowstorm.

MILESTONES

The Upper Gwynedd Township Public Works Department celebrates three huge milestones this year with Dennis Gerhart being recognized first for 40 years of service. Denny began working here in 1983 and was recognized on September 19th at the Board of Commissioners Meeting.

Dave Richard began his career in 1973 and celebrated 50 years of service. He was recognized in November at the Board of Commissioners Meeting as the first employee ever at Upper Gwynedd Township to reach this amazing milestone. A luncheon was held in his honor on November 17th to celebrate this accomplishment.

Willard Troxel recently celebrated the longest tenure as Superintendent of Public Works with 40 years of service taking on this role in September of 1983 and will be celebrating 50 years with the Public Works Department this Spring, beginning at Upper Gwynedd Township in 1974. These men have all been a huge asset to our Township with a career spanning over

decades. Thank you for your knowledge, expertise, and willingness to support all areas of Upper Gwynedd Township. We appreciate you!

Stony Creek Milling and Overlay Project

Over the past few months, the Public Works Department has been repairing roads in the Stony Creek Development in preparation for our Milling and Overlay project taking place in 2024. In preparation for this job, the crew has focused on manholes, catch basins and lining the storm sewer pipes in this area.

Milling and overlay is a cost-effective way to rehabilitate and maintain roads without the need for complete reconstruction. It addresses issues such as surface deterioration, cracking and rutting which can occur overtime due to traffic, weather, and other environmental factors. This is a common practice in road maintenance and construction to improve road surfaces, enhance safety and extend the lifespan of existing roads.



Pictured from left to right: Dave Richard 50 years (1973), Dennis Gerhart 40 years (1983), Willard Troxel 40 years as Superintendent of Public Works (1983) and 50 years with Public Works (1974).

Storm Sewer Pipe Lining

Storm sewer pipe lining is an effective solution for rehabilitating aging or damaged stormwater infrastructure. It involves the insertion of a liner or resin-coated material into the existing pipe to create a new structurally sound interior surface. This process has been approved in the 2024 budget, and Public Works will be working with experienced contractors in various locations throughout the Township to ensure we are extending the lifespan of the storm sewer pipes.



From the North Wales Area Library SPECIAL EVENTS IN 2024

BOOK CLUBS

- Third Tuesday of the Month at 7 pm
- Fourth Wednesday of the Month at 2 pm
- The Cookbook Club meets one Monday monthly September through June.

ATTRACTION PASSES

Attraction passes can be checked out to visit places like museums, gardens, and zoos free of charge.

BLOOD DRIVE THURSDAYS – The third Thursday of each month from 1-6 pm

SWEDESFORD GARDEN CLUB

MEETINGS – March 11 at 1 pm, April 8, May 13, June 10, July 8, and August 12 at 6:45 pm , No Fee

COMPUTER TUTORING and Excel classes are available for adults. \$10 per hour

GAME DROP IN - Mahjong, Mexican Train Dominoes, Canasta, Pinochle

COMMUNITY ROOM RENTALS AVAILABLE

TASTE OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Thursday, April 11, 2024 • 6 – 8:30 pm
At St. Rose Church, Main St., North Wales
Vendors & Sponsors Welcome!

BOOK SALE – May 17, 18 • 8 am – 3 pm

Stop in for a bag of hardback and/or paperback books for all ages.
May 18 is \$5 a bag!

STORY WALK – Visit our outdoor Story Walk! Stroll the Library property and read a specially selected children's book.

STORY TIME TUESDAY & THURSDAY

Join Miss Vickie Tuesday at 10 am and Miss Erin Thursday at 11 am

STORY TIME AT MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP REC CENTER – the third Wednesday at 10 am

SOLAR ECLIPSE DAY – April 8

Special viewing glasses will be available.
Weather permitting

MOVIES AT THE LIBRARY! See www.northwaleslibrary.org for showings.

North Wales Area Library Hours

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

Program details can be found at www.northwaleslibrary.org

Donate your car!

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

CODES DEPARTMENT

When winter and snow arrive, please note that public sidewalks on your property must be cleaned. It is the duty of the tenant, occupant or the person in charge of unoccupied



property or premises and vacant ground within the Township, to clear snow and ice from sidewalks no later than 24 hours after snow has ceased to fall or the formation of ice has occurred. Such a pathway shall not be less than 24 inches in width and shall be thoroughly cleared of snow and ice or other obstructions.

Smoke Alarm Safety: Install at least one smoke alarm in every bedroom, outside of each sleeping area and on each level of a multi-level building. Test each smoke alarm regularly. Check the manufacturer date on your smoke alarm. Consider replacing it if it is over 10 years old.

Carbon Monoxide Alarm Safety: Consider installing a CO alarm in the hallway outside of each sleeping room area. Test each CO alarm regularly. Permanently wired or plug-in CO alarms should have a battery backup.

Have your heaters serviced by a local heater company before the cold weather arrives, to confirm all is working correctly.

NORTH WALES AREA LIBRARY WINS TOP ADULT PROGRAMMING AWARD!

The Library received the award at the Pennsylvania Library Conference in October for the Human Library program.



Photo includes: Rob Leshner PA Libraries, Sandra Zadell (UG Township Manager), Christine Hart (North Wales Borough Manager), Janeen Marzewski (Human Library Program Coordinator), Jayne Blackledge (Library Director), Suzan Leonard (Library Board Vice President) and Carolyn McCreary (Montgomery Township Manager)



Upper Gwynedd Fire Department

The fire department spent many hours spreading holiday cheer to one and all in December. They participated in the Lansdale Mardi Gras Parade and kicked off a "Santa Weekend" with several events for families. On the 16th Santa was escorted around on a Firetruck with sirens blaring, covering 115 miles of road traveling all around the Township for several hours. The volunteer firefighters LOVE this event and interacting with all the families! The following day we held our 5th Annual Sensory Santa. This event is for our special needs friends that may be scared or over stimulated by the sirens and lights associated with Santa on the fire trucks. The UGFD also partnered with the Deaf-Hearing Communication Centre to host the 3rd Annual Signing Santa event for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Communities. A good time was had by all at both of these events!

The winter season gets exceptionally busy for your volunteer firefighters. Call volume increases for responders for several reasons; issues with heaters and chimney fires, increase in ill patients due to flu season and accidents due to poor road conditions. UGFD Responders will spend extra time away from their families to answer the call to service.

If volunteering is something that interests you, go to www.ugfd.org to find out the opportunities available to you, or stop by the station at 660 Garfield Ave any Monday Night around 7pm.

ADOPT A HYDRANT

Help our firefighters this winter and "adopt" a fire hydrant near your home to make sure it is cleared of snow in case of a fire.

Keep snow and ice 3 feet away from fire hydrants.

In case of fire, firefighters need to be able to get to the hydrants quickly to protect people and property.

U.S. Fire Administration FEMA Fire Department



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NEW SMALL E-WASTE COLLECTION CONTAINER



UGT is excited to announce a new e-recycling service for residents that is available 24 hours/7 days a week

UGT has expanded its partnership with PAR-Recycle Works to add this new service in addition to our annual E-recycle/shredding event. This container is for any small and medium-sized items with a plug or wire. The items must fit & cannot be left outside the container.

This service from PAR-Recycle Works is at no cost to the Township. PAR-Recycle Works is nonprofit electronics recycler that provides transitional employment and support to people returning from prison.



ITEMS ACCEPTED

- Computers (no monitor)
- laptops
- tablets
- All phones & chargers
- Any wires/cables
- Printers
- Mice
- Keyboards
- Radios
- DVD players
- Speakers
- Small appliances such as toasters, blenders, dust busters, food processors, etc.

All data on old electronics will be destroyed

Located at Parkside Place
1 Parkside Place, North Wales, Pa 19454

SAVE THE DATE!

UGT Annual E-Recycling / Shredding Event

May 11, 2024, from 9am-1pm

Parkside Place (Pool Parking Lot)

More details to follow!



Help Prevent Stormwater Pollution This Winter

Winter snow often puts a pristine white coat over every surface that makes for beautiful photos and lots of family fun. However, just like when rain falls the rest of the year, melting snow turns into stormwater runoff. It is not long after the sun comes out and starts melting the snow, that concerns emerge. Even a small amount can cause localized flooding on your property when it builds up over several small storm events without melting in between. When it finally does melt, runoff can lead to potential community wide flooding events.

In both cases, that standing and flowing water on the ground is picking up all kinds of debris, pollutants, and litter that will find its way into nearby streams. When shoveling/plowing snow this season, pay attention to where you place it.

Do:

- Pile snow in locations with the most opportunity to infiltrate into the ground.
- Pile snow in areas where water does not pond.
- Clear away any snow that may have been thrown onto the storm drains
- Clear your downspouts to allow melting roof snow to flow and not collect at your foundation.
- Pay special attention to places that are eroding during snow melt, make a plan to improve these areas in spring, using plants that can slow and stop erosion, such as native grasses and meadow plants or native trees and shrubs.

Don't:

- Do not pile snow on top of storm drains or near water bodies and wetlands.
- Do not pile snow onto rain gardens or bio retention areas.
- Do not overuse de-icing chemicals and salts and avoid spreading around sensitive areas like waterways.

Also remember r- more salt does not equal more melting snow. Follow product instructions when spreading deicing material and give it time to work. Sweep up any material remaining after the snow/ice melts to help reduce pollution.



NOR-GWYN BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL

Spring is coming! Baseball and Softball are coming too! Nor-Gwyn Baseball and Softball registration is open for the 2024 season. Registration is online for all programs and for both new and returning players with recreational and competitive programs for all ages. Baseball and softball programs are offered for boys and girls beginning at age 4. The leagues include Co-Ed Quick-Ball, Softball (intramural and travel), Youth Age Baseball (intramural and travel), Connie Mack and American Legion baseball. Nor-Gwyn teams play in regional tournaments. For more information and to register, please see www.norgwynbaseball.org.



PARKS & RECREATION

*Winter &
Spring 2024*

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 inclement weather, please check our website, Facebook page, and other social media for any changes as the event/program approaches. www.uppergwynedd.org

COMPREHENSIVE RECREATION AND PARK OPEN SPACE PLAN

Do you know our Park and Recreation Department is conducting a Comprehensive Recreation and Park Open Space Plan (CRPOS?)






This plan will go over the Township's parks, open spaces, trails, programs and facilities and come up with a plan for future of Upper Gwynedd's

Park and Rec department. We need opinions of the residents! Please scan the QR code and take the survey. More information will be posted on our website: www.uppergwynedd.org.



JOIN US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Join us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube and TikTok to hear the latest news about Upper Gwynedd Township Parks and Rec!

-  @uppergwyneddtownshiparksandrecreation
-  @UGTParksRec
-  @ugt_parksandrec
-  @UpperGwyneddTownshipParksRec
-  @ugtparksandrec

PARK AND RECREATION PLAYGROUND SAFETY

Here at Upper Gwynedd Township, we are proud to offer such beautiful Parks, Open Space, and Playgrounds. Our ParkSci Playground, commonly referred to as "Castle Park," is a park that is frequented by those who live all over Montgomery County. While this beautiful playground has a wide variety of fun offerings, it is also an extremely well-maintained park.

Did you know, our staff monitors Parksci Castle on a regular basis? Every day, 365 days a year, one of the Parks and Recreation staff is out there. The park is closely monitored with immediate action in cases of unsafety; in the past, it has been closed due to bees, power washing from the UG Fire Company, and any other safety concerns we find. In all seasons, regardless of the weather, our playgrounds are looked over twice a week by our dedicated Parks and Recreation staff. All of our playgrounds in Upper Gwynedd township are inspected once a year by a certified Playground Inspector. Any results that come from that inspection are taken into action and repaired immediately.

Leather's INC., the builder that helped with the community build of Parksci Castle Playground, was here in Spring 2023 to do a report. He told our Parks and Recreation Director: "We built a lot of these, and this is one of the oldest and well-kept castles I've seen."

One more fun fact: one of our Parks and Recreation staff members has been here since the castle was built! We are lucky to have such great staff allowing Upper Gwynedd Parks to be a safe and fun place to visit!

NORTH WALES LIBRARY PASSES 2024

"Attraction Passes" allow users free admission to local museums, gardens, zoos and more. These passes may be checked out by North Wales Area Library members for a period of one week. North Wales Library has over 40 passes. Check out www.northwaleslibrary.org for more information.

MEMORIAL TREE PROGRAM

Upper Gwynedd Township recognizes the value of trees in our parks. We have developed a program for you to plant a tree in memory of a loved one. Instructions, cost, and forms can be found on our website: www.uppergwynedd.org.

PARKS & RECREATION BOARD VACANCY

The Township is accepting resumes for a vacancy on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. Interested applicants are encouraged to send their resumes by email to Sarah Prebis, Parks & Rec Director at sprebis@uppergwynedd.org.

Additional information, including current members and Parks & Rec Board responsibilities may be found online HERE: www.uppergwynedd.org/park-recreation-board. The Park and Recreation Advisory Board consists of nine members who are appointed by the Board of Commissioners.



2024 SPRING SPECIAL EVENTS

You can register for all our special events through RecDesk: www.ugtparks.recdesk.com

Galentine's Day Bag Bingo

Friday, April 5

LOCATION St. Rose of Lima
TIME Doors open at 6:00pm,
Bingo starts at 7:00pm
FEE \$35 pre-register
(\$40 at door if there are spots available.)



Grab your besties and join us for some fun. We will be playing 10 games (and 2 special games) of BINGO for amazing purses (Kate Spade, Coach and many more.) We will also have lots of raffles for more chances to win.

Earth Day Community Garden Kick Off

Monday, April 22 (Earth Day)

LOCATION Parkside Place: Community Garden
TIME 10:00am
FEE FREE



2024 Global Earth Day initiative is: PLANET VS. PLASTICS. Our theme, Planet vs. Plastics, calls to advocate for widespread awareness on the health risk of plastics, rapidly phase out all single use plastics, urgently push for a strong UN Treaty on Plastic Pollution, and demand an end to fast fashion. For more info on this global fight, go to www.earthday.org

On Earth Day, Upper Gwynedd Township Park and Rec will be planting our community garden. Grab your family, friends, young and old and come help plant beautiful flowers! Join Upper Gwynedd to make positive change in the quality of life for our residents. For a map on where the Community Garden is located, see our website: www.uppergwynedd.org. *To volunteer to help water and weed throughout the spring, please contact the Upper Gwynedd Township Park and Recreation at 215-699-7777.*

Unity For Kindness 2nd Annual Food Truck Festival

Saturday, April 27

LOCATION Parkside Place: Pavilion and Amphitheater
TIME 11:00am-3:00pm
FEE FREE



Upper Gwynedd Parks and Recreation will continue with this amazing event. Join us, to spread kindness, enjoy live music, a poetry contest, food trucks, speakers, and diversity. This unique event has something for everyone!



Montgomery County Senior Games 2024

Monday, May 6 – Friday, May 10

LOCATION Montgomery County
REGISTRATION Starts Monday, February 27

This fun filled week is held all over MontCo. Check the website for details: www.montcoseniorgames.com.

EVENTS INCLUDE:

- Archery
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Billiards
- Bocce
- Bowling
- Cornhole
- Croquet
- Darts
- Football Throw
- Golf
- Horseshoes
- Orienteering
- Pickleball
- Running
- Shuffleboard
- Softball Throw
- Stationary Bike
- Swimming
- Table Tennis
- Tennis
- Walking

Upper Gwynedd Golf Outing 2024

Spring 2024

LOCATION TBD
FEE TBD

GET YOUR FOURSOME TOGETHER NOW. If you are a single or have two or three in your group, we will make up a foursome before tee-off.

Proceeds Benefit UGCA (Upper Gwynedd Community Association)

Check our website for details: www.uppergwynedd.org.

INCLUDES:

- Deli Buffet Lunch
- Greens Fees
- Riding Cart
- Golf Prizes
- Delicious Buffet Dinner





TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Man Hunt in the Park

Friday, April 19

LOCATION Playground Picnic Tables**TIME** 6:30–9:00pm**FEE** \$25**AGES** 12-15yrs

Send your teens off to play Man Hunt in a safe spot with the company of their friends! The evening will begin with dinner and snacks. The games will begin after dinner! Rules will be reviewed with participants prior to the start of the game. Rules must be followed in order to participate in this game.

Babysitting Certification Class

Sunday, March 3

LOCATION UGT Main Meeting Room**TIME** 9:00am–3:00pm**FEE** \$75**AGES** 11-18yrs (Must be 11 years old by the date of the class)

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, as well as childcare 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 will be accepted.*

ADULT WORKSHOPS

**Adult Pottery Class with InDi Studio**

Mondays, January 22 – February 12

LOCATION Parkside Place Park: Community Center**TIME** 1:00–2:30pm**FEE** \$150**AGES** 21+

In this four-week class you will learn about hand building pottery, textures, and glazing. Over the four weeks you will be able to take what you have learned to create and glaze 3 unique pieces. All supplies included. All pottery will be fired and dropped off at the Parks and Rec office within a week of the last class.

For pictures of previous projects check out our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/indistudio.org or find us on Instagram @INDIStudio1

Spring Paper Crafting and Stamping Workshop

Sunday, March 25

LOCATION Parkside Place Park: Community Center**TIME** 1:00–3:00pm**FEE** \$30**AGES** 18+ (ages 12-17 welcome but must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver)

In this workshop, you'll learn stamping, die cutting and other paper crafting techniques and leave with a set of three handmade items: a greeting card, gift packaging and home decor item. Class fee includes all supplies.

**Watercolor Social with InDi Studio**

Mondays, February 26 – March 18

LOCATION Parkside Place Park: Community Center**TIME** 1:00–2:30pm**FEE** \$150**AGES** 21+

In this four-week class you will discover the beauty of color and self-expression as you experiment with watercolor techniques to create plants and feathers. You will learn brush techniques, wet on wet, wet on dry, color mixing and blending techniques and different types of paper to create your own pieces of art to decorate your home.

Know Your Medicare Options Workshop

Thursday, April 18

LOCATION UGT Main Meeting Room**TIME** 6:30–8:00pm**FEE** FREE**AGES** 18+

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.

2023 SPONSORS

We want to thank our 2023 sponsors for help with funding the Parks and Recreation Programs and Events! To become a 2024 sponsor, please contact Sarah Prebis, Park and Recreation Director at sprebis@uppergwynedd.org or 215-699-7777.

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ADULT FITNESS/LESSONS

Sculpt & Define*Winter Session 1:*

Mondays, January 8 – February 12

Winter Session 2:

Mondays, February 26 – April 1

Spring Session:

Mondays, April 15 – May 20

LOCATION Parkside Place Park:
Community Center**TIME** 6:15–7:15pm**FEE** \$45**AGES** 18+

Whether you want to get in shape 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*Winter Session 1:*

Wednesdays, January 10 – February 14

Winter Session 2:

Wednesdays, February 28 – April 3

Spring Session:

Wednesdays, April 17 – May 22

LOCATION Parkside Place Park:
Community Center**TIME** 6:15–7:15pm**FEE** \$45**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 and space is limited. Only thing you need to bring is your mat and an open mind to a fitter, healthier you!

Adult Advanced Beginner Tennis Lessons with Kristina Alling*Spring Session:*

Wednesdays, April 17 – May 15

LOCATION Parkside Place: Tennis Courts**TIME** 7:00–8:00pm**FEE** \$75**AGES** 18+**Pickleball Lessons with Jerry Tozzi****Beginner Lessons**

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

*Spring Session 1: Mondays, April 8 – April 29**Spring Session 2: Mondays, May 6 – May 28**(No class on 5/27 due to Memorial Day. Class will be held on 5/28)***LOCATION** Parkside Place Park: Pickleball Courts**FEE** \$45**TIME** 9:00–10:00am**AGES** 18+**Beginner II Lessons**

Players must have completed a beginners' class and also have a solid understanding of rules and scoring. Class will include drills designed to improve ball striking skills and game strategies.

*Spring Session 1: Mondays, April 8 – April 29**Spring Session 2: Mondays, May 6 – May 28**(No class on 5/27 due to Memorial Day. Class will be held on 5/28)***LOCATION** Parkside Place Park: Pickleball Courts**FEE** \$45**TIME** 10:00–11:00am**AGES** 18+**Intermediate Lessons**

Players must be proficient in groundstrokes, volleys, and serves. Intermediate players will be taught strategies, drills, and tips to enhance their game to the next level. Skill level suggested 3.0. For level criteria search USA pickleball definitions of player skill ratings. usapickleball.org/tournaments/tournament-player-ratings/player-skill-rating-definitions/.

*Spring Session 1: Thursdays, April 11 – May 2**Spring Session 2: Thursdays, May 9 – May 30***LOCATION** Parkside Place Park: Pickleball Courts**FEE** \$45**TIME** 9:00–10:00am**AGES** 18+**Pickleball Meet Up**

April 1 – October 31

LOCATION UGT Pickleball Courts**TIME** Tuesday, 5:30–8:00pm

Thursday, 5:30–8:00pm

Saturday, 9:00am–12:00pm

Wednesday, 5:30–8:00pm

Friday, 9:00am–12:00pm

FEE Resident: \$30

Non-Resident: \$50

REGISTER www.uppergwynedd.org

To control crowds at our four pickleball courts, we have created a "Meet-Up" group to help players organize themselves. Once registered, you may request to join the Meet-Up group (go to www.meetup.com and search "Upper Gwynedd Pickleball 2024 Meet-Up") 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.





YOUTH SPORTS

Youth Soccer League

April 4 – May 18

(No soccer games on April 27)

LOCATION Parkside Place Park

TIME **Thursday Practice**
 3-4yrs: 5:30–6:15pm
 5-6yrs: 6:15–7pm
 7-8yrs: 7:00–7:45pm

Saturday Games

9:00am–12:00pm
Times are subject to change

FEE \$80 (Includes t-shirts and socks, photos, and end of season medals)

This league is broken into three divisions: 4U (ages 3 & 4), 6U (ages 5 & 6) and 8U (ages 7 & 8). Teams will practice on Thursday evenings and play games on Saturday mornings with their assigned teams. All practices and games occur on grass fields in Parkside Place Park. Children can request during registration to be placed on the same team as a friend or coach. For more information, visit the Park and Recreation Sports page for an FAQ sheet found at www.uppergwynedd.org. This Upper Gwynedd League is run by Total Soccer.

Volunteer Parent Coaches are needed for this program. If you are interested in volunteering to coach – please contact the UGT Department of Parks and Recreation. **Note:** We will waive the fee for 1 child if a guardian volunteers to coach.

Summer Basketball

June/July 2024

LOCATION Parkside Place Park
 Basketball Courts

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY – ENTERING GRADES:

Boys Junior Division – 7 and 8
 Boys Intermediate Division – 9 and 10
 Boys Senior Division – 11 and 12
 Girls Junior Division – 7 through 9
 Girls Senior Division – 10 through 12

TIME Girls: Monday and Wednesday: 6:00–11:00pm
 Boys: Monday thru Thursday: 6:00–11:00pm
Fridays are reserved for rainouts

FEE \$110 per person

For more info, check our website in the Spring of 2024: www.uppergwynedd.org under Parks and Recreation.



PSCTA Tennis Lessons

Tuesdays and Thursdays TBD

LOCATION Parkside Place: Tennis Courts
TIME TBD
FEE \$75
AGES 5-10yrs

i9 Spring Basketball

Sundays, April 14 – May 19

LOCATION Parkside Place Park:
 Basketball Courts

TIME 10:00am–4:00pm (*specific time slots will be determined as program gets closer*)

FEE \$185 per person if you register by March 8

AGES 4-14yrs

REGISTER www.i9sports.com

i9 Sports Basketball will help participants gain an understanding and appreciation for playing the game “the right way”. The schematic curriculum teaches the fundamentals of dribbling, passing, shooting, offense, defense, Game Strategy and Teamwork in a fun, positive environment by i9 Sports Certified Staff. All athletes, regardless of skill level, will learn basketball skills along with valuable sportsmanship lessons such as respect, teamwork, and responsibility.



Tennis Lessons with Kristina Alling

Wednesdays, April 17 – May 15

LOCATION Parkside Place: Tennis Courts
TIME Tween (11-12): 5:00–6:00pm
 Teen (13-18): 6:00–7:00pm
FEE \$75
AGES 11-18yrs

YOUTH PROGRAMS



Winter LEGO: Winter Wonderland Engineering with LEGO® Materials

Wednesdays, January 31 – March 6

LOCATION Parkside Place: Community Center
TIME 4:15–5:30pm
FEE \$135
AGES 5-12yrs



Bundle up, we’re creating a spectacular Winter Wonderland! Build bobsleds, design snowplows, and take a ride on the Polar Express. Explore your snowiest ideas and learn STEM concepts with tens of thousands of LEGO® pieces at your mitten-tips and the guidance of an experienced Play-Well instructor.



Drama Club

Winter Session: Sundays, January 28 – March 27 from 2:00–4:00pm

Spring Session: Fridays, April 5 – May 24 from 6:00–8:00pm
LOCATION Parkside Place: Community Center
FEE \$286
AGES 7-12yrs

In Theatre Horizon Drama Club, students are familiarized with the fundamentals of acting as they create and then perform their own original play. Led by professional teaching artists, students practice and develop the Connecting C’s: confidence & creativity, collaboration & communication, and community & care. Class culminates in a final showcase as students perform their world premiere original play for an audience of family and friends.



YOUTH PROGRAMS cont.

NEW! **Spring LEGO: Spring into STEM with LEGO® Materials****Wednesdays, May 1 – June 5**

LOCATION Parkside Place:
Community Center

TIME 4:15–5:30pm

FEE \$135

AGES 5-12yrs

Build chirping birds, design blossoming flowers, and take a ride on a paddle boat. Design and build as never before and explore your craziest ideas.

Mad Science: NASA**Fridays, January 19 - February 23**

LOCATION Parkside Place:
Community Center

TIME 4:30–5:30pm

FEE \$138

GRADES K-5

Create your own comet and explore the sun, moon, stars and planets. Learn what it's like to live in space and work with laser technology that has been developed for space exploration. Investigate the forces of flight by building your own rocket! Weather permitting; our session will end with an actual rocket launch!

Young Rembrandts: Elementary Drawing/Cartooning Class**Winter Session:****Saturdays, January 20 – March 9****Spring Session: Saturdays, March 30 – May 25 (NO class 4/27)**

LOCATION Parkside Place:
Community Center

TIME 11:00am–12:00pm

FEE \$163

AGES 7-14yrs

Our elementary/cartooning class combines our innovative guided instruction, topics that kids love and relate to, and instructors that know how to reach this group; we take kids from thinking they're not 'artists' to knowing they can achieve this, and everything else, they put their minds to. Our light-hearted subject matter will engage children, their sense of humor and their vivid imaginations.

PRE-K PROGRAMS

Leaps & Beats: Dance Class**Thursdays, March 21 – April 18**

LOCATION Main Meeting Room

TIME 4:30–5:15pm

FEE \$65

AGES 3-5yrs

The program encourages students to develop a love for dance while learning ballet, jazz, and hip-hop style dance. In addition, dancers will be encouraged to use their imagination and bring their own unique style to the dance floor while incorporating props, dancing to upbeat music, and enjoying fun games!

**Mini Moovers & Groovers Tuesdays****Winter Session 1:****January 16 – February 27 (NO class 2/20)****Winter Session 2: March 5 – April 16****(NO class 3/26)****TIME** 10:00–10:45am**Wednesdays****Winter Session 1: January 11 – February 21****Winter Session 2: March 6 – April 17****(NO class 3/27)****TIME** 11:00–11:45am**LOCATION** Community Center**FEE** \$65**AGES** 18months-5yrs

You and your child will be getting your 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. *Please wear comfortable shoes & bring a water bottle!*

Fun with Food**Thursday, January 25**

LOCATION Community Center

TIME 10:00–10:45am

FEE \$15

AGES 2-5yrs

Join Miss Laura for this parent/child pop up class! You and your child will get to create yummy treats together.

Messy Art**Winter Session 1:****Wednesdays, January 11 – February 2****Winter Session 2:****Wednesdays, March 6 – April 17****(NO class 3/27)**

LOCATION Community Center

TIME 10:00–10:45am

FEE \$65

AGES 18months-5yrs

In this parent and child class, you and your child will "get messy" during this fun art class for preschoolers. Kids will dive into playdough, sand, paint, shaving cream, and much more in this 45-minute class filled with fun and creativity! *Please wear old clothes and bring a smock.*

Let's Experiment**When: Thursday, February 8**

LOCATION Community Center

TIME 10:00–10:45am

FEE \$15

AGES 2-5yrs

Join Ms. Laura for a morning filled with science experiments! Some of our favorites from the past classes are lemon volcanos, slime, & moon sand! *Please wear old clothes or bring a smock.*

Young Rembrandts Drawing Class**Winter Session: Saturdays, January 20****– March 9****Spring Session: Saturdays, March 30 – May 25 (NO class 4/27)**

LOCATION Community Center

TIME 10:00–10:45am

FEE \$163

AGES 4-6yrs

The Young Rembrandts preschool program is specifically designed with the needs of our youngest learners in mind. We use subjects they're familiar with such as animals and toys, as well as their favorite learning tools - pictures, stories, touching, and doing - to enhance social and conflict resolution skills while improving listening, fine-motor skills, and time-on-task.





SPECIAL ONE DAY PROGRAMS

NEW!

MLK Day Improv Workshop

Monday, January 15 (MLK Day)

LOCATION	Parkside Place: Community Center
TIME	9:00am–3:00pm
FEE	\$94
AGES	7-12yrs

In Theatre Horizon's Improv Workshop, students are familiarized with the fundamentals of acting and improvisation through theatre games, exercises, and improvisation activities. Led by professional teaching artists, students practice and develop the Connecting C's: confidence & creativity, collaboration & communication, and community & care. *Please bring snacks, a water bottle, and a bagged lunch.*



NEW!

Heart Workshop with InDi Studio

Saturday, February 10

LOCATION	Parkside Place: Community Center
TIME	1:00–3:00pm
FEE	\$56
AGES	All Ages

Looking for a special valentine activity to do together OR that special valentine present to give someone? Maybe you need the perfect activity to do with friends. We have the solution! Design and hand build your own ceramic heart for Valentine's Day! We will teach you how to use texture, glaze, and you can decide if you want to make it a heart plate, bowl, or wall art! All instructions, materials, and firing included. For pictures of previous projects check out our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/indistudio.org or find us on Instagram @INDIStudio1.



NEW!

Lantern/Luminaire Workshop with InDi Studio

Saturday, March 9

LOCATION	Parkside Place: Community Center
TIME	1:00–3:00pm
FEE:	\$56
AGES	All Ages

Light up a cool fall evening with your own unique Lantern or Luminaire! In this workshop you will work with clay and learn hand building, texture, and glazing techniques in order to style your Lantern/Luminaire according to your creative vision and home design. All instructions, materials, and firing included. Projects will be available for pickup one week after the class date at the township office. For pictures of previous projects check out our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/indistudio.org or find us on Instagram @INDIStudio1.



NEW!

Valentine's Day Family Crafting Workshop

Sunday, January 21

LOCATION	Parkside Place: Community Center
TIME	1:00–3:00pm
FEE	\$25 per person
AGES	10-17yrs (Must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver)

Each person must pay the fee if making projects. So, you must sign up the parent/caregiver in addition to the child(ren) if the adult will also make projects during the workshop (which is encouraged).

Kids and adults alike, come discover the fun of paper crafting while making handmade crafts for Valentine's Day. You'll learn techniques like stamping and die-cutting, and make and take home three projects for Valentine's Day such as cards and treat packaging. All supplies included and both the parent/caregiver will make and take home three projects each.

Presidents' Day Mad Science Camp

Monday, February 19 (Presidents' Day)

LOCATION	Parkside Place: Community Center
TIME	9:00am–3:30pm
FEE	\$100
AGES	6-12yrs

Chemical Curiosities

Mix up potions and experiment with all kinds of chemical reactions! Combine chemicals to create exothermic reactions, examine our non-Newtonian fluid, make your own sidewalk chalk and crystal gardens to take home!

Energy & Motion

Forces are FUNdamental! Explore the energy of motion (potential versus kinetic energy) while tinkering with things that boink, pop, float, swing, and roll!

Please bring snacks, a water bottle, and a bagged lunch.

NEW!

Spring Flower Workshop with InDi Studio

Saturday, April 13

LOCATION	Parkside Place: Community Center
TIME	1:00–3:00pm
FEE	\$56
AGES	All Ages

Bring the Spring inside with your own flower that will never die. In this Spring Flower workshop, you will learn hand building, glazing, and texture techniques to create your own unique flower to decorate the center of a table or hang on your wall. All instructions, materials, and firing included. Flowers will be delivered to the Township 10 days after the original class date. For pictures of previous projects check out our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/indistudio.org or find us on Instagram @INDIStudio1



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UPCOMING MUNICIPAL CALENDAR

1/1/2024	Holiday: New Year's Day	Offices Closed
1/2/2024	BOC Reorganization Meeting	7:00 pm
1/3/2024	Environmental Advisory Council Meeting	6:00 pm
1/8/2024	Board of Commissioners Business Meeting	7:00 pm
1/10/2024	Planning Commission Meeting	7:00 pm <i>New Time</i>
1/15/2024	Holiday: Martin Luther King Day	Offices Closed
1/18/2024	Human Relations Commission Meeting	6:30 pm
1/22/2024	Parks & Rec Advisory Board Meeting	7:00 pm
1/23/2024	Zoning Hearing Board	7:00 pm
2/5/2024	Board of Commissioners Work Session	7:00 pm
2/7/2024	Environmental Advisory Council Meeting	6:00 pm
2/12/2024	Board of Commissioners Business Meeting	7:00 pm
2/14/2024	Planning Commission Meeting	7:00 pm <i>New Time</i>
2/19/2024	Holiday: President's Day	Offices Closed
2/21/2024	Police Pension Board	1:00 pm
2/27/2024	Zoning Hearing Board	7:00 pm
3/4/2024	Board of Commissioners Work Session	7:00 pm
3/6/2024	Environmental Advisory Council Meeting	6:00 pm
3/11/2024	Board of Commissioners Work Session	7:00 pm
3/13/2024	Planning Commission Meeting	7:00 pm <i>New Time</i>
3/18/2024	Parks & Rec Advisory Board Meeting	7:00 pm
3/26/2024	Zoning Hearing Board	7:00 pm
3/29/2024	Holiday: Good Friday	Offices Closed
4/1/2024	Board of Commissioners Work Session	7:00 pm
4/3/2024	Environmental Advisory Council Meeting	6:00 pm
4/8/2024	Board of Commissioners Business Meeting	7:00 pm
4/10/2024	Planning Commission Meeting	7:00 pm <i>New Time</i>
4/18/2024	Human Relations Commission Meeting	6:30 pm
4/23/2024	Primary Election Day	Offices Open
4/24/2024	Zoning Hearing Board	7:00 pm



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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.