

## Emergency Services Committee Looks for Solutions

The volunteer fire company is a long and cherished tradition in our community and in Pennsylvania, dating back to 1736 when Ben Franklin founded the nation's first all-volunteer force in Philadelphia. Our state has more volunteer fire companies than any other in the nation. Today, this volunteer model is in jeopardy and local fire companies are struggling. Volunteers in the state have dropped from 300,000 strong in the 1960s and '70s to below 50,000 today. In addition to dwindling volunteer numbers, costs are soaring and training requirements have intensified.

The Township's Board of Supervisors recognized this looming public safety crisis as they formulated their goals for 2018 and created an Emergency Services Committee. The committee was formed to analyze the Township's volunteer fire company. The committee is exploring viable solutions to ensure that the department has the workforce and funding to continue to provide excellent services to the Lower Providence community.

Meanwhile, township officials from all across Pennsylvania passed a resolution at the 96<sup>th</sup> Annual

Educational Conference of the PA State Association of Township Supervisors (PSATS) calling for Gov. Tom Wolf to hold a special legislative session to address the volunteer crisis facing local fire and emergency management services. PSATS and its members are urging the state legislature to enact real and feasible solutions, such as allowing variable training standards for rural, suburban, and urban areas; granting a tax incentive for employers who permit employees to respond to calls while at work; and providing a fix for rising insurance rates at the State Workers Insurance Fund (SWIF).

Local leaders are doing their best to keep this volunteer model alive, but they need help from Harrisburg, said

Shirl Barnhart. Barnhart is PSATS past president and member of the state Senate Resolution 6 Commission which has been tasked with studying the issues affecting first responders. Said Barnhart, "Our volunteer fire companies are simply too important to lose."



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## Grant Awarded for Business Park Sidewalks



Lower Providence Township has received a 2018 Montco 2040 Implementation Grant for a project to install sidewalk connections in its Park Pointe business park. The \$100,000 grant, aimed at implementing the county comprehensive plan, *Montco 2040: A Shared Vision*, is one of fourteen recently awarded by the Montgomery County Commissioners.

The project will include installation of sidewalks to complete gaps in the Park Pointe business park along Eisenhower, Adams, and Jefferson Avenues. A crosswalk also will be installed to improve pedestrian access to an existing pathway that connects the business park to nearby retail development including a Wawa and several restaurants.

Construction is expected to begin in the spring of 2019.

The project, which was included in the master plan for the business park, will improve pedestrian safety, encourage healthy lifestyles, and improve connections to surrounding developments and destinations.

The Montco 2040 grant program is intended to assist municipalities in making targeted physical improvements that achieve real progress toward the goals of Montco 2040 and its themes of Connected Communities, Sustainable Places, and Vibrant Economy. The grant awards account for over \$1.5 million and since the program's inception in 2016, over \$3.7 million has been awarded to projects.

Information on all the grant recipients is available at the program website: [www.montcopa.org/Montco2040GrantProgram](http://www.montcopa.org/Montco2040GrantProgram).

## Opportunities to Serve on Township Boards:

Lower Providence Township will have vacancies on its various boards, commissions and committees beginning with the New Year. The Board of Supervisors will be making appointments to the Finance Committee, Library Board of Trustees, Parks and Recreation Board, Planning Commission, Sewer Authority, Uniform Construction Code Appeals Board, Vacancy Board, and Zoning Hearing Board.

The Board of Supervisors is looking for qualified individuals who want to contribute to the quality of living in Lower Providence. If you feel you have the education and experience to contribute to one of these groups and are interested in serving your community, please send a letter of interest and resume by November 30, 2018 to:

Lower Providence Township  
Attn: Township Manager  
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Eagleville, PA 19403  
or [ddelamater@lowerprovidence.org](mailto:ddelamater@lowerprovidence.org)

Please indicate which group is of interest to you.

Each group typically holds one evening meeting per month. Term lengths range from three to five years, depending on the board or commission. Meeting schedules can be found at the "Boards and Commissions" link on the Township website, [lowerprovidence.org](http://lowerprovidence.org).

## SAVE the DATE!

### 31ST Annual Community Fall Festival

Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup>

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Eagleville Park

Rain Date - Sunday Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>

### MEETING SCHEDULE

**Board of Supervisors**  
7:30 p.m.  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays

**Library Board of Trustees**  
7:00 p.m.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Monday  
Library Board Room

**Parks & Recreation Board**  
7:00 p.m.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday

**Planning Commission**  
7:00 p.m.  
4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

**Sewer Authority**  
6:00 p.m.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Monday  
Sewer Authority Board Room

**Zoning Hearing Board**  
7:00 p.m.  
4<sup>th</sup> Thursday

All meetings held at the Township Administration Building unless otherwise noted.

#### Watch at home or online:

Board of Supervisors & Zoning Hearing Board meetings are shown on the Cable Access Channel (Comcast Channel 28 and Verizon Channel 42) the week following a meeting. Rebroadcast times are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 1 am, 9 am and 7 pm. You can also watch Board of Supervisors meetings on the Township website,

[www.lowerprovidence.org](http://www.lowerprovidence.org) - click on "Minutes" to find the meeting videos.

**Upcoming Administration Office Closures**

**Columbus Day**  
Oct. 8, 2018

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Nov. 12, 2018

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# Development Projects: Underway & Under Review

## ON-GOING CONSTRUCTION

**Manors at Brynwood** - Construction continues on 12 single-family homes to the easterly side of Cross Keys Road, just south of Vincent Drive.

**Courts at Brynwood** - Construction is underway on the first phase of a 139-townhome community along Germantown Pike just west of Superior Tube.



*The first phase of The Courts at Brynwood is underway.*

**Providence Place** - Work is well underway on the assisted care facility that is reusing and expanding the former Collegeville Inn site.

**Landis Mill Estates** - Sales continue at the nine single-family home subdivision along a new cul-de-sac coming off Landis Mill Road.

**Montgomery County and the John J. Audubon Center at Mill Grove, 1201 Pawlings Road** - Work continues on the \$12-million project to construct a museum and education center and enhance existing facilities. (See related article on Page 6.)

**Streamlight, 30 Eagleville Road** - Construction is underway on an 84,000-square foot addition.

**Audubon Square V** - Hilton and Audubon Land Development broke ground recently on a new Tru by Hilton property. The 121-room, five-story hotel will be located at 825 Forge Ave. adjacent to Firehouse Subs, Starbucks and Sprint.

**Classic Coachworks** - 3949 Ridge Pike - A 6,560-square foot addition is underway.

**1418 Gertrude Avenue** - David James Real Estate is constructing two single-family homes.

## PLANS THAT HAVE COMPLETED FINAL REVIEW:

**Lidl US** - This is the redevelopment of the former Norristown Ford site at Ridge Pike and Trooper Road by the German discount grocery store chain.

**St. James Episcopal Church** - The Church plans to construct a new Outreach Center across Evansburg Road from the main church.

**109 River Road** - Friends and Family Holdings plans to renovate the former residence to include office space and exterior improvements.

**Eagleville Hospital, 100 Eagleville Road** - The campus is being modernized as part of an overall master plan.

**Iroy Gym & Track, 3444-50 Germantown Pike** - Plans call for the conversion of the former Bridaltown building into an approximately 47,000- square foot indoor gym and track facility, relocating from a neighboring community.

**Anderko Custom Homes, 37 Crawford Road** - The project is to be constructed in two phases. There are to be eight lots, six of them being new. This project adjoins the intersection of Park Ave./Crawford Rd./Eagleville Rd., site of proposed intersection improvements.

**Gambone Family Development** - This is a nine-lot single family home development on Woodland Avenue, near the new ball fields and Woodland Elementary School.

**Evansburg Road Tract** - Gambone Development is proposing 24 small-lot single homes in a tract connecting Evansburg Road and Ridge Pike.

**306 Level Road** - This plan proposes seven new single-family homes on a cul-de-sac, in between Arrowhead Elementary and the Woods at Providence - Stella's Way.

**141 Appledale Road** - HTC Construction is planning to build an additional single family home behind their newly constructed home at 141 Appledale Road.

**3837 Landis Mill Road** - HTC Construction is planning to build a single-family home behind an existing residence.

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# New Museum Taking Shape at John James Audubon Center

Construction is progressing on the new museum located at the John James Audubon Center at Mill Grove, 1201 Pawlings Road, with a projected opening in Summer 2019. The new building celebrates the amazing world of birds, providing hands-on learning opportunities for visitors of all ages.

The John James Audubon Art Gallery will contain original Audubon prints as well as a life-size digital version of the *Birds of America* that will allow for hands-on learning about each species featured. A short movie depicting the life and journey of John James Audubon will be played throughout the day. Other short conservation films will be shown at various intervals.

Additional exhibits will focus bird banding, feathers, eggs, nests, and flight. In a sound forest exhibit, visitors will be able to experience bird songs in different habitats including forests, coastal areas, wetlands, grasslands, and cities.

Outdoor attractions will include the Pawlings Porch, where visitors can bird watch over a wildflower meadow, and the Fledgling Trail, which will engage children of all ages in mimicking the life stages of a young bird from egg to first flight. There will be a sensory garden, water features, accessible play apparatus, and benches to relax and enjoy nature.

Partner organization Valley Forge Audubon Society is at work organizing new programs and birdwalks for next spring and summer to align with the opening of the new center. Their current event calendar can be found at [www.meetup.com](http://www.meetup.com) or on their calendar of events page at [www.valleyforgeaudubon.org](http://www.valleyforgeaudubon.org).



*Computer renderings show the new museum's exterior and a sample exhibit.*





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## Park Restoration Effort Making Progress

Under the direction of Township resident John Zollers, an ecological restoration project is underway in Eagleville Park. John and other volunteers have been gathering on Saturday mornings since last April. They're determined to eliminate exotic-invasive plant species from the park (and in turn reduce the presence of exotic-invasive animal species that feed on them), re-introduce native species, and repair erosion damage to the park's stream.

Native species are those found in southeastern Pennsylvania prior to European colonization. Exotic plant species are those not native to southeast Pennsylvania, while invasive species are those that aggressively displace or otherwise cause harm to native species. Both disrupt the ecological landscape. Eagleville Park, along with much of southeastern Pennsylvania, has seen an influx of these exotic-invasive plant species in recent years.

Initially, the group has focused on an area of woods at the bottom of the walking trail, removing tree of heaven, Amur honeysuckle, and garlic mustard. The exotic-invasive plants had comprised more than half of the existing plant cover in the

area. Zollers said the plan is to re-plant the area with native species and cage them to provide winter protection from deer. They'll finish this year's work in October, focusing on cleaning up and preparing the site for winter.

"It will take years to clean up the whole park," said Zollers, "but we're off to a meaningful start."

If you're interested in taking part in the restoration effort, the group meets on the third Saturday of each month at 10 a.m., April through

October. Volunteers receive instruction on properly identifying both targeted exotic-invasive species and desirable native species and the significance of each. Tools are provided.

Information can be found on Facebook @EaglevilleParkRestoration or by contacting the Parks and Recreation Department, parks@lowerprovidenc.org.

*As the volunteers remove the exotic-invasive plants, native species like this mayapple are being re-introduced to the park.*



## Dell Angelo Park Is Open for Play!

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## Maintaining Your Yard This Fall

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## Eagle Scout Honored



Township resident Jack Ralph was recognized by the Board of Supervisors for attaining the rank of Eagle Scout, Scouting's highest honor.

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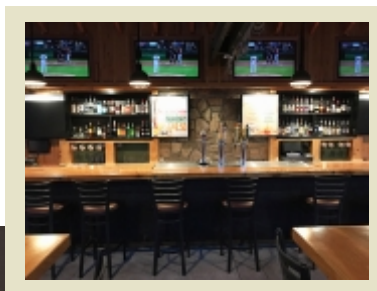


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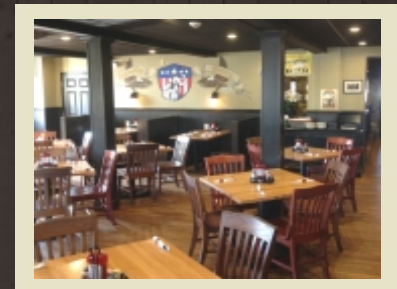
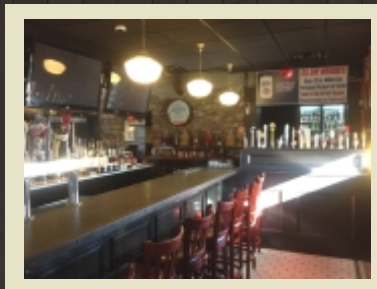
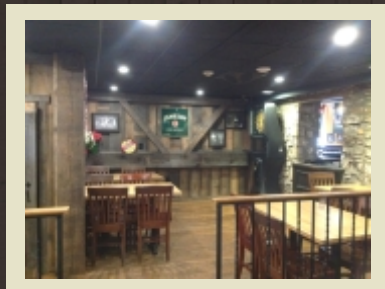
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# Police Department Keeps Pace With Technology

Policing in the age of technology means that departments must keep pace with updates and changes. Let's take a look at the Township police fleet's current technology.

that was seven years old. The new version includes a more rugged laptop, a handheld bar code scanner and printers.

will alert us to stolen vehicles, wanted vehicles and vehicles with expired or suspended registrations.

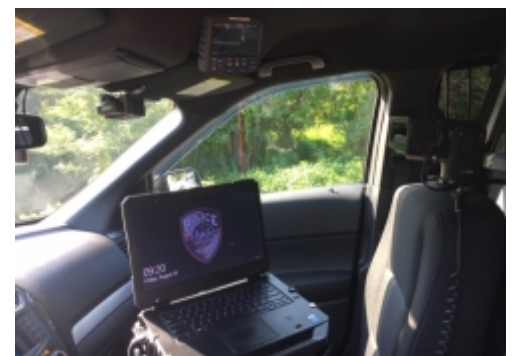


**Cadets at the Township's Junior Police Academy learn how the technologies in our vehicles work. The ALPR system is mounted to the rear roof area.**

In 2017, the department received a grant from the Southeast Joint Terrorism Task Force to add an automated license plate reader or ALPR to our fleet. ALPR systems automatically capture an image of a vehicle's license plate, transform that image into alphanumeric

characters using optical character recognition or similar software, compare the plate number acquired to one or more databases of vehicles of interest to law enforcement and other agencies, and alert the officer when a vehicle of interest has been observed. Our system is linked to PennDOT and other databases and

And in 2018 we completed an upgrade to the in-car video systems (MVR) of the patrol fleet. The new system from Watchguard replaced cameras that were nearly 10 years old. This system improves audio and video clarity, enhances system storage and searchability, as well as adding panoramic front camera and prisoner security camera. The photograph below shows the MVR system and laptop.



Stop by and see our fleet and technology at the Township's Fall Festival on Oct. 6. We will also have a K9 demonstration and handouts available for all ages.

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# New Fireworks Law Raises Concerns



This past July 4<sup>th</sup> was the first Independence Day that Pennsylvania residents could legally purchase and use consumer-grade aerial fireworks. Many took advantage of the new state law and these bigger, louder celebrations have led to safety and noise concerns. To address these concerns, the Board of Supervisors and Township Solicitor have begun work on a fireworks ordinance.

The goal of the ordinance will be to provide the Township with enforceable regulations that go beyond the state law, regulating the sale of fireworks in the Township by

commercial entities and regulating the use of consumer-grade fireworks by the public. Once prepared by staff, the proposed ordinance will go through the appropriate review process before being present to the Board of Supervisors for consideration.

Lower Providence Township Fire Marshal encourages residents to leave fireworks to the professionals. If you do choose to use them, make sure you know what is and is not permitted. The questions and answers below, provided by the PA State Police, highlight the most noteworthy changes with Pennsylvania's new fireworks law.

**Q: Which fireworks are Pennsylvania residents now allowed to purchase and use?**  
Consumers can now purchase and use "Class C" or "consumer-grade" fireworks that include firecrackers, Roman Candles, bottle rockets, and similar fireworks that contain a maximum of 50 milligrams of explosive material. The expansion includes those fireworks that were previously only available to out-of-state residents.

"Display fireworks" are still only to be used by professionals with a permit from the municipality where the display will take place. These are classified as including salutes that contain more than two grains or 130 milligrams of explosive materials, and professional-grade aerial shells containing

more than 60 grams of pyrotechnic compositions.

**Q: Who can purchase fireworks?**

Anyone 18 years of age or older can purchase them.

**Q: What are the restrictions on where fireworks can be used?**

- ❗ They cannot be discharged within 150 feet of an occupied structure, whether or not a person is actually present.
- ❗ They cannot be ignited or discharged on a public or private property without express permission of the property owner.
- ❗ They cannot be discharged from or within a motor vehicle or building.
- ❗ They cannot be discharged toward a motor vehicle or building.
- ❗ They cannot be discharged while the person is under the influence of alcohol, a controlled substance, or another drug.

**Q: Where can fireworks be purchased?**

They can be purchased at any licensed facility, including temporary ones. The licenses are issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. Examples of temporary facilities include tents or other structures found in parking lots.

## Fire Safety Campaign Stresses the Basics



Lower Providence Volunteer Fire Department is once again partnering with the nonprofit National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) to observe Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 7-13, 2018. Each year during Fire Prevention week, volunteers from the Township fire department visit day cares and schools to spread the word about fire prevention. The week ends with an open house at the Eagleville station.

This year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, "Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware. Fire can happen anywhere" works to educate people about basic but essential steps to take to reduce the likelihood of having a fire and how to escape safely in the event of one. Today's home fires burn faster than ever. In a typical home fire, you may have as little as

one to two minutes to escape safely from the time the smoke alarm sounds. Knowing how to use that time wisely takes planning and practice.

"Although people feel safest in their home, it is also the place people are at greatest risk to fire," said Township Fire Marshal Charles DeFrancesco. Over-confidence contributes to a complacency toward home escape planning and practice. He stressed that paying attention to your surroundings, looking for available exits in the event of a fire or other emergency, and taking the smoke alarm seriously if it sounds can make a potentially life-saving difference in a fire or other emergency situation.

This year's campaign highlights three steps

people can take to help quickly and safely escape a fire:

- **Look** for places fire could start
- **Listen** for the sound of the smoke alarm
- **Learn** two ways out of every room

Since 1922, the NFPA has sponsored the public observance of Fire Prevention Week. In 1925, President Calvin Coolidge proclaimed Fire Prevention Week a national observance, making it the longest-running public health observance in our country. Fire Prevention Week is observed each year during the week of October 9th in commemoration of the Great Chicago Fire, which began on October 8, 1871, and caused devastating damage. This horrific conflagration killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures, and burned more than 2,000 acres of land.

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Food donations can be dropped off at the Township Administration Building, weekdays, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For the holiday meal baskets, the following items are requested:

- Canned goods: Corn, green beans, peas, yams, fruit, soups, baked beans
- Pantry items: Instant mashed potatoes, scalloped potatoes, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, macaroni and cheese
- Desserts: Pudding mix, Jell-O mix, cookies, cake mix and icing, brownie mix
- Beverages: Juice, coffee, hot chocolate



The Angel Tree will be located in the lobby of the Administration Building after Thanksgiving. Choose a wish card from the tree, purchase the gift requested and return it unwrapped (or in a gift bag). Please remember to attach the wish card to the gift to make sure it is given to the correct family and family member.

The Township also accepts donations of new or gently worn coats, hats, mittens and gloves during the fall and winter months. For details on the Caring & Sharing Program, please call 610-635-3543. Thank you for your generosity!



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causing issues with the pumps.

Our sewer systems and treatment plants were not designed to handle wipes. They gum up the system, clog pipes and pumps, and cost taxpayers and residents a lot of money in

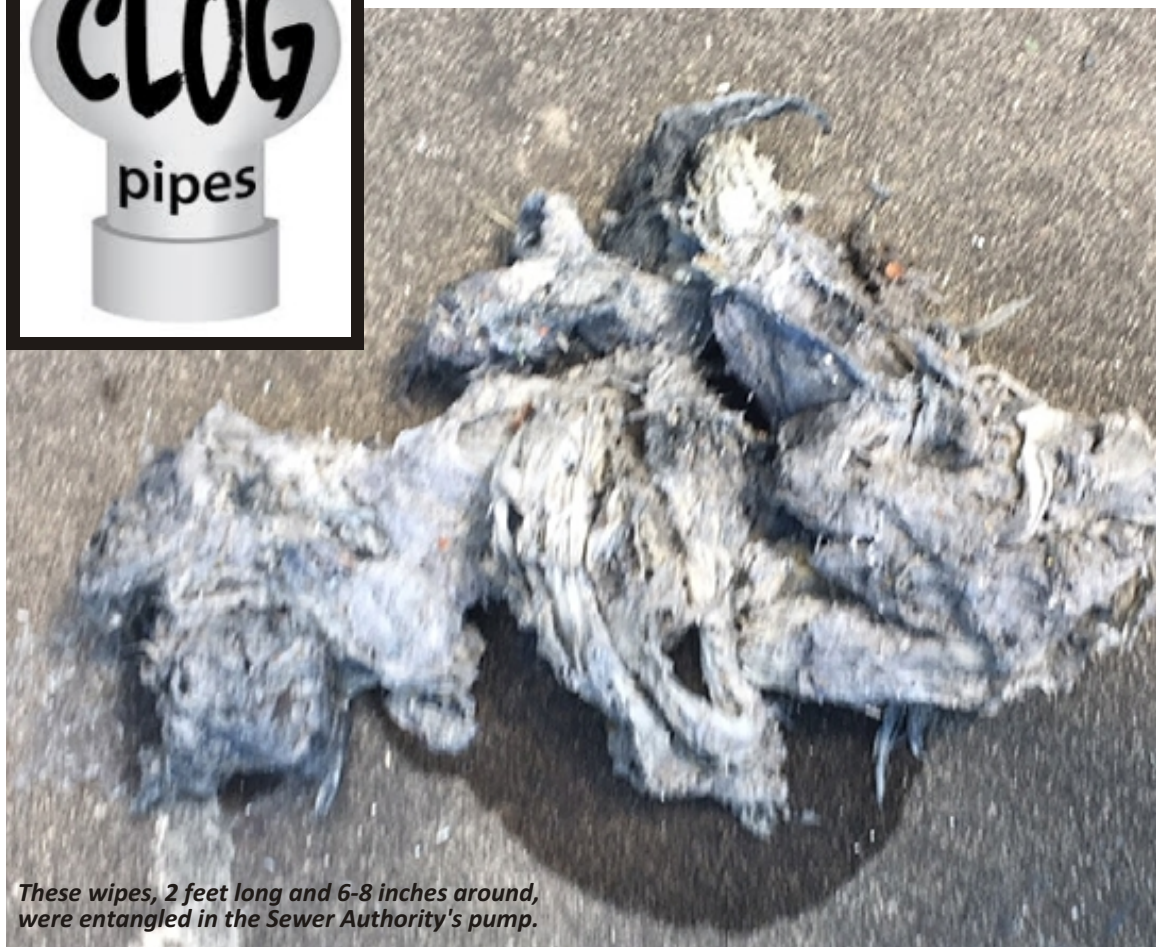
additional maintenance costs. In addition, many homeowners have experienced plumbing problems because of wipes, so you may have expensive maintenance issues at home if you flush them.

If you must use wipes, please put them in the trash, not the toilet.

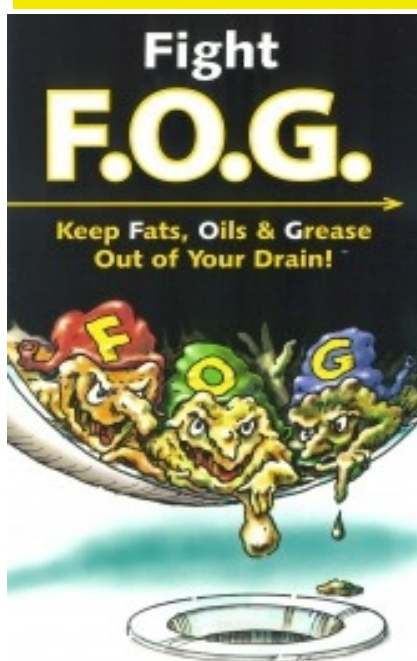
## Paperless Billing:

Get your bill sooner! Sign up to receive your sewer bill by email. If you haven't already signed up, go to <http://www.lowerprovidence.org/sewer.htm> to complete the form. Past due and/or shut off notices will not be emailed. They will be mailed to you in paper form. Emailed bill(s) will come from "sewerbill@lpsa.org".

*The Sewer Authority wants our customers to know that our employees are always available during regular business hours by calling 610-539-6161 to address emergency situations. After hours emergencies, please call 1-800-379-5713. If you should have a backup in your outside line, contact us so that we can verify that it is not being caused by a blockage in our main line before you call your plumber.*



These wipes, 2 feet long and 6-8 inches around, were entangled in the Sewer Authority's pump.



## FOG

**No, we're not talking about the weather!** FOG stands for the Fats, Oils and Grease from food preparation, packaged food and food scraps. How do you dispose of your FOGs? If you have been putting them down the drain, you need to know that fats, oils and grease stick to the insides of sewer pipes when washed down the kitchen plumbing system. This solidifies and can block pipes. Clogged pipes cause sewer backups and sewage spills on residential property and on the street, which ultimately leads to **costly sewer backups and overflows, increased sewer rates and public health and environmental hazards** as it washes down storm drains and into bays, water ways and creeks.

How should I dispose of my FOG materials? Glad you asked!

Follow these Dos and Don'ts to keep costs down and improve the environment:

## DO! ✓

- ✓ Wipe down greasy pots and pans with a dry paper towel and dispose of it in your kitchen scrap recycling or garbage.
- ✓ Pour cooled oil, fats and grease into a can or other container with a tight lid (coffee can, glass jar or plastic container) and dispose of it in the garbage.
- ✓ Use baskets or strainers in sink drains to catch food scraps and other solids – and dispose of them in the trash.
- ✓ Talk with your friends and neighbors about the grease problem so the community is aware of the risk.

## DON'T! ✗

- ✗ Do NOT pour FOG down the garbage disposal or sink drain.
- ✗ Do NOT use hot water to wash the grease down the drain.





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# Library Events & Programs

To register for programs or check on more programs coming up, visit the library website at [www.LowerProvidenceLibrary.org](http://www.LowerProvidenceLibrary.org) or call the Library at 610-666-6640.



## Casino Night Fall Fundraiser

The Library will host Las Vegas Night on Saturday, Nov. 10 from 7:00-10:00 p.m. The evening will feature casino games provided by MoonLite Entertainment and beer from Bald Birds Brewing Company, Lower Providence's new brewery. Plenty of food, wine, and soft drinks will be served. Tickets are \$50 in advance, \$55 at the door and include all food and beverages, chips to start play, and 10 raffle tickets. Additional chips and raffle tickets can be purchased. There will be a 50/50 drawing. The player with the most chips at the end of the evening will be awarded the coveted Las Vegas Night Winner's Trophy!



## Volunteer Fair

Make a difference in your community! Meet representatives from nonprofit organizations and service clubs to find volunteer opportunities for adults and teens that match your abilities and interests. Saturday, Nov. 3 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Organizations wishing to participate may contact the Library Director.

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Children's programs are provided by a donation from the Friends of the Lower Providence Community Library.

### Weekly Story Time Programs

No Story Time October 6 - Enjoy the Lower Providence Fall Festival

Mondays & Tuesdays  
10:30 am, infants-2 yrs.  
11:15 am, older 3-4 yrs.

Thursdays  
(kids only/adults stay in library)  
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Saturday  
10:30 am, infants-3 yrs.  
11:15 am, 4 yrs. and up

### Special Programs

**LEGO Club**  
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3:45 pm

**Preschool-K Halloween Party**  
Ages 3-6, Tuesday, Oct. 23  
6:00 pm

**Decorate A Diya For Diwali**  
Ages 8-12 only  
Tuesday, Nov. 6 at 6:00 pm  
registration required

**Santa Claus Visits the Library**  
Thursday, Dec. 13  
10:30-11:30 am

**Gingerbread Cottage Making**  
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## TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen programs are provided by a donation from the Friends of the Lower Providence Community Library.

### Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Teens grades 7 - 12, meet to plan activities, help the library, and earn community service credit, Tuesday, Oct. 2 and the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each following month from 7:00-8:00 pm.

## ADULT PROGRAMS

Adult programs are provided in part by a donation from the Audubon Women's Club.

### Weekly

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**Evening Book Discussion Group**  
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**Friends of the Library**  
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**Memoir Writing Circle**  
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**Adult Coloring Book Class**  
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Oct. 24 at 12:00 pm

**Citizen Science: Project Feeder Watch**  
Tuesday, Oct. 16 at 6:30 pm

**Mindfulness Parenting**  
Wednesday, Oct. 17 & 24  
6:30 pm

**Yoga Meditation/Chakra**  
Thursday, Oct. 18 at 7:00 pm

**Picturing America: Slow Down, Stop & Look (art appreciation class)**  
Friday, Oct. 19 & 26 at 10:30 am

**Halloween Card Making**  
Monday, Oct. 22 at 7:00 pm

**Composting 101**  
Thursday, Oct. 25 at 6:30 pm

**National Novel Writing Month (NANO), write a novel in a month**  
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*The Lower Providence Township Parks and Recreation Department strives to provide professional, multi-faceted leisure services to the community.*

*Our mission is based on a passion for enriching the lives of our residents through recreation, creating natural beauty and maintaining a safe, clean park environment. We foster the responsibility for developing, supporting and administering recreational activities and facilities that enhance the quality of life for all our residents.*

**Check out the website for Lower Providence Township Parks and Recreation!**

**[www.lptrec.com](http://www.lptrec.com)**

To get started, please visit the website and create an account with all your household information. The data provided - emergency contacts, medical information, etc. - will help us better serve you. This information will also be automatically placed into your registration forms.



**Recreation Programs are now on [www.lptrec.com](http://www.lptrec.com) so check out all the fun and exciting recreation programs, special events and bus trips for everyone!**

- **Firebirds Acting Workshops**
- **American Red Cross Babysitting**
- **Zumba Classes**
- **Jump Start Sports Fall T-ball**
- **Kids Night Out**
- **Cupcake Creation Workshops**
- **Music Lessons Guitar, Bass, etc.**
- **Wellness Yoga and Meditation**
- **AND MUCH MORE!**

**You Snooze...You Lose!** Nothing cancels a good class quicker than waiting until the last minute to register. If there are not enough registrations by a certain date, the program will be cancelled! No walk-ins accepted at program site, so please register early!

## **RECREATION PROGRAM NOTES:**

**Early Registration Saving (ERS):** With the ERS, you'll save an average of 10% just for registering early! To qualify, register more than 7 days before the start date of a program. (Does not include bus trips.)

## **2018 Bus Trips & Tours**

*Trips are being sponsored in conjunction with Upper Providence & Worcester Township Parks & Recreation Departments*

**Culinary Institute of America**  
October 23, 2018

**New York On Your Own**  
November 14, 2018

**Radio City Christmas Spectacular**  
December 13, 2018

**For more details and to register visit [www.lptrec.com](http://www.lptrec.com)**

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# Parks & Recreation Department

## Discount Movie Tickets

Lower Providence Township Department of Parks and Recreation offers discount tickets to the "Movie Tavern" & "Regal Entertainment Group" theaters in our area. These ticket vouchers may be purchased at the Township Building, Monday - Friday, between the hours of 8:00am and 4:30pm. Cash and most major credit cards are accepted to purchase tickets. No personal checks, refunds or exchanges.

**Movie Tavern Tickets are \$8.50**  
**Regal Entertainment Group tickets are \$9.50\*\***

\*\*Participating Regal Entertainment Group theatres include United Artists, Regal Cinemas & Edwards Theatres. Regal Entertainment Group ticket vouchers do not expire.

## DISCOUNT SKI TICKETS

Lower Providence Township offers cool savings on discount ski tickets! These ski lift tickets may be purchased at the Township Building, Monday - Friday, between the hours of 8:00am and 4:30pm. Cash and credit cards are accepted to purchase tickets. No personal checks, refunds or exchanges. Tickets will be available mid-December 2018 through March 2019. Call ahead to confirm availability.

**Ski Areas Include:**  
Bear Creek  
Big Boulder/Jack Frost  
Blue Mountain  
Camelback  
Shawnee Mountain  
& More



## CALLING ALL LOCAL BUSINESSES!

### Come join the fun at the 31<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Fall Festival on Saturday, October 6, 2018

Lower Providence Township's Fall Festival is a popular family-oriented community event. The average attendance exceeds 8,000 people of all ages each year.



This year some of the features will include hayrides, a pumpkin patch, food vendors, live music, inflatables, carnival games, a petting zoo, pony rides, touch-a-truck, a business courtyard, crafters and more!

Consider being part of this wonderful community event. Spaces are limited so get your registration in early!

#### Participation Levels

Business Courtyard	\$115.00*
Food Vendors	\$150.00*
Vendors/Crafters	\$60.00*
Non-Profit/Tax Exempt Organizations	\$30.00*

2018 Community Fall Festival Vendor Brochure is available on-line on the Lower Providence Township website: [www.lptrec.com](http://www.lptrec.com)

## LIKE LOWER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP ON FACEBOOK & TWITTER!



Keep up to date with all the fun things going on in the Lower Providence Township community. Follow Lower Providence Township on Facebook and Twitter @LowerProvTwp to the latest on Township news and happenings!

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR! 2018 Lower Providence Township Community Special Events



**31<sup>st</sup> Annual  
Community  
Fall Festival**  
Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup>  
11:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Eagleville Park  
Rain Date:  
Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>



**10<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Community  
Tree Lighting**  
Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 pm  
Eagleville Park

### SPECIAL WAYS TO REMEMBER LOVED ONES

*Consider tree, bench  
or brick donations*

Memorial trees, benches and Walk of Honor brick pavers are welcomed donations at sites within the Lower Providence Township Parks system and are special ways to honor the memory of a loved one.

If you or your family enjoy a particular park and wish to place a lasting memorial to a family member, friend or pet consider donating a tree or bench. Memorial brick pavers are added to the Walk of Honor in front of the Township's Veterans' Memorial located at the Administration Building.

Memorial gift forms are available at the Administration Building or on-line at the Township website [www.lptrec.com](http://www.lptrec.com)

The Township must approve any wording that will appear on any plaques and/or bricks. Once the form is received by the Parks and Recreation Department, we will contact you to confirm your donation.

If you have any questions or would like more information about the memorial donation programs, contact Karl Lukens, Director of Parks and Recreation at 610-635-3543 or [klukens@lowerprovidence.org](mailto:klukens@lowerprovidence.org).



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# Parks & Recreation Department

## We Had Another AWESOME Summer!

The Township's Parks and Recreation Department wrapped up another successful summer camp season - the summer camp program has been serving Township families for over 20 years.

Lil' Perkiomy Camp held at Eagleville Park accommodated pre-school campers ages 4-5, Camp Perkiomy, held at Eagleville, Arrowhead and NEW location Woodland Elementary Schools, accommodated campers in kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. The Perkiomy Trailblazers camp, designed for middle school youths in grades 5 through 8, was held at Eagleville and Woodland Elementary Schools this summer.

Throughout the summer, campers enjoyed theme days, field trips, guest speakers and a wide variety of special events - everything from Nature Day to Olympic Day to Decades Day!

If you'd like more information on the summer camps program, contact the Parks and Recreation Department, 610-635-3543. Look for details on the 2019 camp season on the Township website after the first of the year.





# FALL FESTIVAL

AT PHOENIXVILLE HOSPITAL

**Saturday, October 27** (rain or shine)  
**10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Phoenixville Hospital  
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- Free Health Screenings
- Meet the Doctors
- Interact with DaVinci Robot
- 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Phoenixville Run For Citizen Advocacy (race starts at 8:30 a.m. at Reeves Park)
- *Cool Beans Music* performs at 11 a.m.
- Music, Food and Fun!

**Free Parking!**

Interested in being a sponsor or for more information,  
please contact Barbara O'Connor by September 15<sup>th</sup>  
at [BarbaraM.Oconnor@towerhealth.org](mailto:BarbaraM.Oconnor@towerhealth.org)  
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