# PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA





# POLICE, FIRE AND AMBULANCE BUILDING COMMUNITY....













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# Einstein MEDICAL CENTER MONTGOMERY

Serving the communities of central Montgomery County by providing:

- A full range of medical and surgical specialty care and advanced diagnostic testing
- Advanced cardiac services including open heart surgery, catheterization and electrophysiology
- Level III Arthur and Lea Powell Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
- Breast health program accredited by the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers (NAPBC)

- Stroke care as a Primary
   Stroke Center by The Joint
   Commission and The American
   Heart Association / American
   Stroke Association
- Cancer care accredited by Commission on Cancer
- Holistic and compassionate continuum of care by Home Health, Hospice and Palliative Care
- 24-hour emergency care in the Leonard and Madlyn Abramson Family Emergency Department



# **Plymouth Township News**

### CALLING 9-1-1 FROM A CELL PHONE

The Montgomery County Department of Public Safety asks that anyone who calls 9-1-1 from a cellular phone in communities near the County border immediately state that "I'm calling from Montgomery County" when the call-taker answers the phone.

If the nearest cell tower to where the call is placed is across the border in a neighboring county, the call will be routed to the 9-1-1 centers in Philadelphia, Bucks, Berks, Chester or Delaware counties, depending on where the tower is located.

The neighboring 9-1-1 centers will transfer the call to Montgomery County, but the time it takes to figure out the actual location, transfer the call and then supply the information about the incident again, could make a difference in saving someone's life.

Stating "I'm calling from Montgomery County" at the outset will greatly reduce any delay in getting people the help they need. Using a landline to call 9-1-1 will result in the call automatically being routed to the proper call center.

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### **EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM**

Code Red is name of the Township's emergency notification system. Residents can go to the Township website at www.plymouthtownship.org and click on the Code Red logo on the homepage. You'll be linked to Code Red's site where you can enter additional phone numbers and email addresses to receive emergency and community service announcements from the Township, such as evacuation notices, bio-terrorism alerts, boil water notices, mosquito spraying notices and missing child reports, to name a few.

# **Employee/Volunteer Recognitions**



Karen Weiss, Township Manager, recognized for 20 years with Plymouth Township.

Charles "Chip" Tornetta recognized for 30 years of coaching PW Spartans Football.



### **TOWNSHIP GRANTS**

### HARRIET WETHERILL PARK

We are currently moving forward with additional improvements at HWP through an Act 13 grant administered by the Commonwealth Financing Authority. Improvements include a new entrance and parking lot from Butler Pike for larger vehicles and additional trails to connect to the current trail system to areas closer to Butler Pike. Look for these improvements this summer.

The Township was also just awarded a \$256,000 matching grant through DCNR for outdoor restrooms, a pavilion, a nature themed playground and the initial phase of the environmental education center which will include an indoor facility to hold limited environmental programs. This grant has a three year completion time frame. As we continue to seek out additional grant funding, it is our hope to gradually phase in a full Nature Center and bring environmental education to students and the community. We hope to see you out enjoying the park amenities and programs.

### **GERMANTOWN PIKE SIDEWALK GRANT**

Plymouth Township was awarded a matching grant in the amount of \$83,675 from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to be used for sidewalk facilities along Germantown Pike from Jolly Road to Walton Road. Additional sidewalks will offer the residents additional safe access to shopping, restaurants, recreation and public transportation. This project will begin in the spring. Look for additional updates on the progress of these grants in future publications of Leisure Visions and the Township Newsletters.

### 902 RECYCLING GRANT

DEP awarded a \$200,420 grant to the Township for a swaploader vehicle chassis, a swaploader hooklift system that has the ability for interchangeable containers, a self-contained, self-operated leaf machine and one additional roll off container. The Township match for this grant is only \$22,242.

### PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP FEASIBILITY STUDY



Plymouth Township has been working on the feasibility study for the extension of the Cross County Trail in Plymouth and Whitemarsh Townships. Council approved this study, which was partially funded by a

PECO Green Region grant on February 9, 2015. We look forward to working with Montgomery County on the long term plans.

### PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP SUSTAINABILITY FORUM

MAY 21, 2015 • 1:00 P.M. TO 3:00 P.M.

Panel forum and discussion on environmental and sustainability practices for business

Plymouth Community Center at 2910 Jolly Road Plymouth Meeting, PA

For more information, call 610-233-0552 eab@plymouthtownship.org

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Plymouth Township Environmental News

Sponsored by the Plymouth Township Environmental Advisory Board

# **Plymouth Township News**



Local photographer, Emily Thomas' "911 What's Your Emergency" photo exhibit is now available to view at the Plymouth Township Building. It is Emily's hope that by reviewing her exhibit, you will have a greater understanding and appreciation for the men and women who serve our great Township.

Stop by Monday thru Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. and see this breathtaking display.

## **Harmonville Fire Company**



Greetings from the officers and members of the Harmonville Fire Company No. 1. We have been proudly protecting the Plymouth Township Community 24 hours a day, 7 days a week since 1924. We have two firehouses – the main station located at 2100 Butler Pike and our substation located at 904 Germantown Pike.

In 2014, our members responded to a total of 560 emergency calls for service, varying from fire alarms and assisting EMS to mutual aid assists in surrounding townships. In addition to responding to the emergency calls, members also attended a total of 114 trainings throughout the year, between in house trainings and attending the Montgomery County Public Safety Campus. One last statistic



for 2014, members attended a total of 151 special services, ranging from meetings, parades, annual school drills during Fire Prevention Week, fire prevention demonstrations at summer camps, National Night Out and the Officer Brad Fox Memorial 5K to name a few.

In January, we placed our new command vehicle in service, a 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe, which will be utilized by our Officer in Charge. In addition to radios and a M.D.C. (Mobile Data Computer) to monitor any call we are on, it will also carry a set of forcible entry tools, an air pack, and a thermal imaging camera. Coming in late spring/early summer will be our new 2015 100' Mid Mount Tower Ladder which will be replacing our current one from 1991.

Being a volunteer organization, we are always looking for new members to join. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for your community, whether it be as a Firefighter, Fire Police Officer who provides traffic/scene control or be part of our administrative side, then stop by either one of our stations during the day Monday through Friday or on our training night which is Monday nights from 7 p.m.-10 p.m. and one of our members will be happy to assist you!

### PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY AMBULANCE

On Saturday December 6th, Plymouth Ambulance along with other Fire, Ambulance and Police organizations throughout Montgomery, Chester and Delaware counties participated in Plymouth Ambulance's 5th Annual Operation Christmas Kids Toy Drive.



Toys were collected and donated throughout November and December and on Saturday the 6th, approximately 125 Emergency Service providers loaded up their ambulances, fire trucks and police vehicles in a convoy to Bryn Mawr Hospital and then onto St. Christopher's Hospital to deliver the toys.

Chief Thomas Trojansky of Plymouth Ambulance came up with the idea over five years ago to help the less fortunate children who are sick and in the hospital on Christmas morning. He felt as though it wasn't fair to these children, so he came up with the idea and adopted the slogan "Operation Christmas Kids". Let's help bring a smile to a child's face on Christmas morning.

Every year we have grown with more and more emergency service organizations helping out and delivering toys. It is great to be welcomed by the staff at the hospitals and know that we have helped make a difference for these children on Christmas morning.





### **Plymouth Fire Company**

The Plymouth Fire Company No. 1, located at 1323 Colwell Lane, is one of the volunteer fire companies that serves Plymouth Township. The Plymouth Fire Company No. 1 has continuously provided fire and rescue services to the residents, businesses and visitors of Plymouth Township since 1906.

In 2014, the Plymouth Fire Company No. 1 responded to 420 fire calls along with its members attending over 50 fire and rescue training drills. The members also attended and participated in community events such as Plymouth Township Day, National Night Out, and Toys for Tots. Along with these important events, the members of the company had the distinct pleasure of escorting Santa Claus around the neighborhood during Christmas time.

We also had several members reach milestones in their firefighting careers. Firefighters Dan Smith and Matt Kijak completed the Pennsylvania Entry Level Fire Fighting program and are now eligible to fight fires in Plymouth Township. Firefighters



Rob Curll and Mike Killeen completed their Fire Fighter 2 certification. This program builds off the entry level training and provides students with more advanced firefighting techniques. Lieutenant Brandon Stocchi completed Fire Officer 1 certification. This program helps prepare the student for greater responsibility as a company level fire officer. Captains Dave Luthy and Brett Stocchi completed their Fire Officer 2 certification, which continues to build on the knowledge gained in Fire Officer 1.

The Auxiliary of Plymouth Fire Company continues to combine community relations with fundraisers. Our traditional penny auction is family-oriented and provides a chance for the community to come together. The auxiliary also promotes community relations through various events held at local establishments to promote fundraising.

The members of the Plymouth Fire Company No. 1 also enjoyed many social activities together. In 2014 our members participated in a Firefighter's Softball League and the Conshohocken Bocce Club. In addition, we sponsored a company trip to see the Philadelphia Phillies at Citizen's Bank Ballpark.

Our members all volunteer and truly enjoy the service that they provide to the residents and visitors of Plymouth Township. We are always looking to add more people to our ranks. The company has many positions available in our firefighting and administrative ranks. If you ever have thought about serving your community, why not join the ranks of a volunteer fire company. We always have members present Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., and on Tuesday nights from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Please feel free to stop down and check us out! If you are unable to make it during those days, please feel free to email us at PlymouthFireCo@gmail.com with any of your questions.

Please visit our website at www.plymouthfireco.com.

Thank you and we look forward to continually serving you in 2015!

### FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE / EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



During the spring, summer and fall, many people like to use a fire pit or chiminea to provide some warmth, comfort and a certain atmosphere to a family or social gathering. While not illegal in Plymouth Township on private property, using these devices improperly can cause serious damage and injury. For these reasons we ask that you not use your device until you have received a free inspection and an open burning permit from the Township Fire Marshal. It takes just a few minutes of your time that will be well spent and help you make sure that your next experience with your fire pit is a safe and enjoyable one.

Another warm weather activity that can be enjoyable but poses a serious fire and personal injury risk is the use of a barbeque. Many people enjoy food cooked with a grill that uses propane as a fuel. Propane is not only very flammable, it is heavier than air. If a leak occurs, this gas will travel a

considerable distance and if ignited, the fire can travel back to the leaking container exposing it and anyone near it to serious injury. The resultant fire can also impinge upon the leaking tank and cause a serious explosion within a very short period of time. If you wish

to enjoy a barbeque, especially one fueled with propane, make sure that you are following the manufacturer's instructions and prior to using it for the first time in the spring, make sure that the burners are clean. Ensure that all cobwebs that have accumulated during the winter months have been removed and ensure that all connections are tight.

It is important to note that barbequing using any combustible material on any patio or balcony of an apartment building or multiple occupancy dwelling in Plymouth Township is prohibited. Grills must be on the ground floor and at least 15 feet from any multi-family dwelling.

To make an appointment with the Fire Marshal for an open burning permit inspection, or to discuss any fire safety or emergency issue, please feel free to call the office at (610) 277-4311.



### **POLICE NEWS**

# CONGRATULATIONS TO OFFICER KYLE WILHELM!

In May 2014, Officer Kyle Wilhelm was selected and recognized as the 2013 Plymouth Township Police Department's Officer of The Year by Chief Joseph F. Lawrence. Officer Wilhelm's hard work and dedication set exemplary standards for officers to follow. Kyle is currently assigned to the O.I.C. Position on Squad B in the Patrol Division. Congratulations Kyle!



Chief Joseph F. Lawrence and Officer Kyle Wilhelm

# ANOTHER MILESTONE!

On September 8, 2014 Highway Patrol Officer Mark Lacy was recognized for 20 years completed service. Officer Lacy is a valuable asset and we hope to have him for another 20 years!



Officer Lacy with his family

### **JOB WELL DONE!**



Officer Todd Jordan and Sergeant Brian Wagner

On October 13, 2014 Sergeant Brian Wagner and Officer Todd Jordan received commendations for their life saving measures and outstanding arrest of a violent felon. On August 10, 2014 Sergeant Wagner and Officer Jordan responded to the Blue Bell section of Township Line Road for the report of male stabbing himself with a knife. Assisted by two officers from Whitpain Township, the officers

tracked the man to an occupied business which he had broken into. When the subject charged the officers with his knife, Officer Jordan deployed a less than lethal weapon and the man was placed under arrest. Great job!

### 2014 NATIONAL CRIME NIGHT OUT

On Tuesday, August 5, 2014 we again welcomed all Township residents and area citizens at the 2014 National Crime Night Out event. This event was sponsored by the Target Store and the Plymouth Township Police Department, and was held in the parking lot at 2250



F.B.I. – Philadelphia S.W.A.T. with Quick Response Vehicle and Gear

Chemical Road, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462 in the Metroplex.

The event provided an opportunity for citizens to learn about various services offered to them through different organizations and agencies. There were over a dozen Federal, County and local agencies in attendance this year, as well as many vehicle displays and live demonstrations. An estimated 1,100 people attended this great community event.



### A HERO IS HONORED



On Saturday, September 13, 2014 Plymouth Township Sergeant Bob Heger, Officer Mark Lacy, Officer Jeff Conrad, Detective Tony Costello and Officer Holly Donohue completed the First Annual Brad Fox Memorial Bike Ride. They were escorted by motor officers from Plymouth Township and many, many volunteers. The officers started at the memorial site where Officer Fox was killed and rode 19 miles to Brad's parent's home. After a brief stop, they continued another 15 miles to where Officer Fox was laid to rest. After paying their respects the officers continued another 13 miles to William Tennent High School where Brad went to school.



Chief Joseph F. Lawrence addressina the crowd

another brief stop, the officers rode 20 more miles back to the memorial where they started earlier that day.

On Sunday, September 14, 2014, the day Officer Brad Fox would have turned 37, hundreds gathered at the Hartsville Fire Company station in Warminster to honor the ultimate sacrifice made by Plymouth Township Police Officer Bradley Fox. State

Representative Bernie O'Neill announced the official dedication of a section of Route 263 renamed after Brad.

Brad's family accepting a replica of the highway sign

The portion of York Road between Street Road and Bristol Road is now known as the Officer Bradley Fox Memorial Highway. Brad grew up in Warminster and graduated from William Tennent High School. He played ice hockey for the Panthers, practicing and competing at the Bucks County Ice Sports Center, which is located on the same stretch of highway now bearing his name.

Brad's parents, brother, wife and children accepted a memorial highway sign created by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation at the end of the ceremony.



Officers paying their respects

### OFFICER BRAD FOX MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING



Det. Sgt Longo, Chief Lawrence, Joe Lawrence, Retired Lieutenant Eisenberger

On October 6, 2014 the Plymouth Township Police Association held its 2nd annual memorial golf outing at Plymouth Country Club. This year we teamed up with an organization called the Guardians of the National Cemetery. They are a locally based volunteer organization that exists exclusively for charitable and educational purposes in order to advocate for, preserve and



Members of the PTPA presenting a check to the Guardians of the National Cemetery

support the Washington Crossing National Cemetery, where Officer Brad Fox's final resting place is. The Guardians of the National Cemetery ensure that his and all the veterans' service will be forever honored.

On Friday, November 14, 2014 members from the Plymouth Township Police Association presented a check to the Guardians of the National Cemetery for all that they do at the Washington National Cemetery.

### 3RD ANNUAL FOX TROT 5K RUN/WALK



Lynsay and Kadence Fox, K-9 Fox

On Saturday, November 1, 2014 hundreds of runners and volunteers gathered at our police station to take part in the 3rd Annual Fox Trot 5k Run/Walk. Although the weather did not cooperate, it was cold and raining, that didn't stop the masses of people that showed up. It was a great success and people are already planning next year's event, which will be held on Saturday, November 7, 2015.

> Baltimore County Maryland Police Department's 3rd attendance to the Annual Run!

Volunteers K-9 Officer Watts. Officer Lapenta, and Mike Sobek





Motor Officers, Sgt Jackson, Officer Conrad. and Officer Schwartz



# **Important Reminders**

### 1) SCHOOL'S OPEN

Please remember to drive safely and watch for children on their way to and from school. Obey the speed limits, especially in school zones. The school zone/speed zones are strictly enforced by the Police Department.

### 2) INCLEMENT WEATHER:

This is the time of the year for wet leaf covered roadways, snow and ice. Remember to leave plenty of space between your vehicle and the car in front of you. Remember the law requires you to have your headlights on anytime you have your windshield wipers on for inclement weather.

• Roadways – Roads become slippery when covered with snow, sleet and freezing rain. Allow extra distance (at least six to eight seconds following distance) between your car and the car ahead. Check your tires and winterize your car as soon as possible.

### 3) ON-LINE CRIME PREVENTION TIPS:

1) Don't send personal information or make purchases over a public computer.

- 2) Don't provide personal information to websites that sound too good to be true.... No one is giving away "free" money, a cruise, a computer, or an IPad!
- 3) Don't wire money to someone you don't know.
- 4) If someone you're dealing with online offers to send you a check and allow you to keep a portion of it in exchange to wiring part of it back... DO NOT do it!! The check will bounce.

### 4) SAFETY TIPS:

Residents are reminded of the following safety tips.

- Always be aware of your surroundings.
- Secure your vehicle (do not leave valuables in your vehicle).
- Secure your home, maintain proper lighting and prominently post your house number.
- If you become a victim of identity theft, immediately file a police report and contact the major credit reporting bureaus.

Equifax 1-800-688-1111 Experian 1-800-397-3742 Trans Union 1-800-888-4213

### STORM WATER REGULATIONS

New federal storm water regulations require Plymouth Township, as well as most other municipalities in "urbanized areas" across Pennsylvania, to comply with the Environmental Protection Agency's new storm water management program. One of the many requirements of the program is to obtain a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The program in Pennsylvania is administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Plymouth received its permit on January 15, 2004. The Township is in the process of implementing the storm water management protocols developed by the DEP.

Under the DEP program, Plymouth Township will implement the six required Best Management Practice (BMP) control measures, including Public Education, Public Participation, Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination, Construction Site Run-off Control, Post Construction Storm water Management and Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Municipal Maintenance.

An important part of the Township's compliance plan is to educate the public regarding the environmental impact of storm water run-off. The PA DEP maintains a website with comprehensive information on storm water education (www.dep.state.pa.us). The Plymouth Township website (www.plymouthtownship.org) also has information and links to other websites.

We also ask that residents report any suspected pollution incidents to the Township at 610-277-4103. This includes the dumping of wastewater, illicit liquids or solids into streams or storm sewers.

### WHERE DOES YOUR SUMP PUMP FLOW?

Are you aware that it is illegal to have your sump pump connected to the sanitary sewer system? Illegal sump pump connections put unnecessary rain water into the Township's sanitary sewer system. The Township pays to have this water treated. This results in higher sewer rates for everyone. In addition, it can overload pump stations and other facilities. This leads to sewer overflows, which can cause environmental, and other health hazards, as well as costly property damage. It can also lead to expensive facility upgrades, which result in higher sewer rates and taxes.

What can you do to help? Make sure you sump pump is not connected to the sanitary sewer system. Sump pumps should be connected to a pipe so it can discharge to a lawn area where it can infiltrate back into the ground. Keeping rain water out of the sanitary sewer system will help keep rates from rising unnecessarily.

If you need help with suggestions on where to re-route your sump pump discharge, please call the Plymouth Township Public Works Department at 610-277-4103.

### PLEASE KEEP OUR STREAMS CLEAN!





### Any Questions?

One would never dream about dumping garbage into a creek. But if waste runs down its storm drain that's exactly what happens!

### PLYMOUTH FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION - 2015 GENERAL FUND BUDGET

### **GENERAL FUND**

### **REVENUE & TRANSFERS IN:**

Real Estate Taxes	\$3,003,000
Real Estate Transfer Tax	440,000
Earned Income Tax	5,985,000
Mercantile Tax	2,543,800
Business Privilege Tax	3,777,000
Local Services Tax	1,075,000
Solid Waste Tax	654,790
Other Taxes	403,000
Licenses and Permits	921,715
Fines and Forfeitures	186,250
Interest	8,000
Revenue from Other Govts.	908,195
Charges for Services	788,100
Miscellaneous Revenue	96,950
Transfers from Other Funds	268,466

\$21,059,966

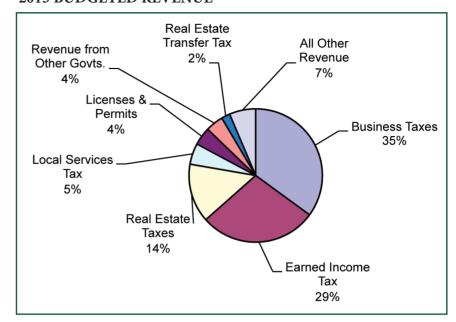
Beginning Fund Balance 8,469,468

Total Available \$29,529,434

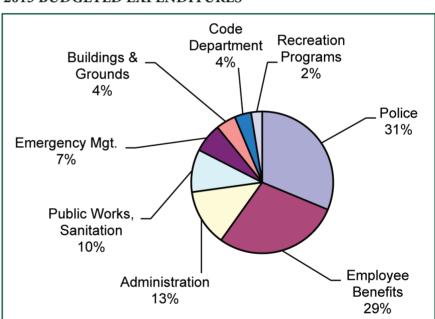
### **EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS OUT:**

General Government	\$1,610,470
Public Safety	8,260,528
Code Department	826,306
Sanitation	999,100
Highways, Roads & Streets	1,125,900
Buildings & Grounds / Parks	986,167
Recreation Programs	551,505
Employer Payroll Taxes	814,000
Insurance	400,500
Employee Benefits	6,229,021
	\$21,803,497
Designated for	
Future Expenditures	7,725,937
Total Accounted for	\$29,529,434

### **2015 BUDGETED REVENUE**



### **2015 BUDGETED EXPENDITURES**



### OTHER FUNDS - BUDGETED EXPENDITURES

Sewer Fund \$2,334,039 Community Center Fund 2,491,835 Highway Aid Fund 415,647 Capital Funds 5,818,020

### YOUR REAL ESTATE TAX MILLAGE

Plymouth Township Colonial School District Montgomery County 1.850 20.110 3.152

<sup>\*</sup> the complete 2015 budget document can be found on-line at www.plymouthtownship.org

### PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP 2014 ANNUAL REPORT

### **TOWNSHIP MANAGER**

The Sandy Hill and Belvoir Roads intersection improvement project was completed after several years of planning, land acquisition and construction. Although there were a few glitches along the way, namely the relocation of utilities above and underground, the finished roadway was worth the wait. This improvement cost \$1,023,682 and was completely paid for with Act 209 monies contributed to the Township by developers.

December of 2014 marked the end of the Waste System Authority of Eastern Montgomery County (WSAEMC) after 25 years. So Plymouth Township joined with Conshohocken and West Conshohocken in an Intergovernmental Agreement for the purpose of soliciting bids for solid waste disposal services. These three municipalities were the only ones of the 22 municipalities in the WSAEMC who collected and directly hauled its residential waste to the Waste to Energy plant with municipal employees. It made sense that we should bid jointly for this service and we are very pleased that the cost per ton was lowered from \$65 to \$53 for 2015. Covanta 4Recovery, the current owner and operator of the Waste to Energy plant, was the successful bidder of the five year agreement, with the option of two additional five year extensions.

The Township entered into an agreement for the replacement of a portion of the Diamond Run sanitary sewer at Ridge Pike and School Lane. Working with Montgomery County, the Township will pay for the design, and only 20% of the cost of construction. The other 80% will be incorporated into the re-building of Ridge Pike.

A few of the notable ordinances adopted in 2014 included the dedications of Julian Court and Gallagher Court; the rezoning of the Driscoll Tract to B Residential for single family detached homes; a Grease Trap ordinance requiring the inspection and cleaning of grease traps at restaurants to eliminate the fats, oils and grease that clog the sewers; and a Wireless Communications Facilities ordinance setting certain general and specific standards relating to the location, placement, construction and maintenance of tower-based wireless facilities, providing for the regulation of facilities within the public rights-of-way and outside public rights-o-way and providing for the enforcement of such regulations.

The Finance department implemented a major upgrade to the financial and accounting software. The Parks and Recreation department was successful with a second \$256,000 grant for Harriet Wetherill Park and a grant to put sidewalks and landscaping along Germantown Pike from Jolly Road to Walton Road. The Police department hired two new officers. The IT department set up online payments for sewer bills and other receivables. The Public Works department upgraded sewage pump stations and repaired sewers in an effort to reduce the inflow and infiltration of storm water into the sanitary sewer system. We are waiting for the conclusion and results of the Red Zone Robotic project to help us prioritize where our sewer maintenance dollars should be spent. The Buildings and Grounds department oversaw the replacement of Pool Pacs and implemented a new energy management system at the Community Center.

It was another busy year and all this good work was made possible by the excellent employees of Plymouth Township! As always, I give special thanks to Plymouth Council and to all of our volunteers for their tireless efforts and continued service to the community. Plymouth Township – A Premier Place to Live, Work and Play.

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

The Public Works Department continued their efforts to upgrade, maintain and expand the Township's roadways, storm sewers, ADA Handicap Ramps and other infrastructure throughout the year. Ongoing efforts to reduce Inflow and Infiltration in the sanitary sewer system continued. Red Zone Robotics is currently televising and analyzing over 60 miles of sanitary sewer to better help the Public Works Department prioritize and maintain its infrastructure.

Major projects during the year included the completion of the Sandy Hill/Belvoir Road traffic signal intersection widening Project and the Germantown Pike Traffic Adaptive System Project The Annual Street Paving program included the following streets: Jolly Road, Harvard Road, Harvard Circle, Yale Road, Princeton Road and a section of Hickory Road.

The Public Works Department's efforts were enhanced by major equipment upgrades, a Highway Truck for the Highway Department and a new Leaf Collection Unit.

Street name signs are still in the process of being replaced throughout the Township. The new signs will be a different color (green), larger and will have a high intensity reflectivity for better visibility. All other signs will be replaced as well with high reflectivity materials.

Many water mains throughout the Township were replaced in 2014 and will continue in 2015 as part of Aqua PA infrastructure improvements.

Electronics collection drop-off continues to grow in Plymouth Township. This new program collects electronics, computers, small appliances and rechargeable batteries to name a few.

Single Stream Recycling and the Yard Waste programs continue to improve. In recognition of this standout recycling program, Plymouth Township, for the sixth year in a row received a 2014 PA Waste Watchers Award. Awards were given state wide to municipalities, counties, private businesses, individuals, and community organizations for going above and beyond what is mandated under Act 101. Yard waste has exceeded the 1,000 ton mark for the fifth straight year. In 2014, Plymouth Township recycled more than 50% of all solid waste collected. We share first place in recycling in Montgomery County with another community.

We continued routine operations of the Public Works Department, including trash, recycling, yard waste and white goods collection; chipper programs, leaf collection, electronics collection, mulch delivery and composting, road maintenance and fleet maintenance.

### **DEVELOPMENT & ZONING**

In 2014, there were four land developments and two subdivisions filed with the Township. The new land developments included the Narayan Donut Corporation, for a new Dunkin Donuts at 439 West Germantown Pike; Storage Partners of Chemical Road, for 834 new storage units on Chemical Road; Conicelli Honda, for a new automobile service building at 1200 Ridge Pike; and DriveTime, at 1401-1425 East Ridge Pike, for a used automobile dealership.

The new subdivisions consisted of the creation of seven new residential parcels at 121 North Lane, and a lot line revision at 12 Locust Lane.

2014 also featured the beginning of construction of three residential homes at 1406 Colwell Lane and two residential homes at 1332 Colwell Lane; a new automobile facility by Conicelli Auto

Group at 1010 Ridge Pike; a new classroom building at the Plymouth Meeting Friends School; as well as a new office/warehouse facility for Norris Sales at 1000 Conshohocken Road.

There were 1,474 building permits, 265 Use and Occupancy permits, and 8 Zoning Use and Occupancy permits issued. The Zoning Hearing Board heard 21 appeals.

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

2014 was an exciting year for the Plymouth Township Police Department. Two new officers were hired, Officer Holly Donohue and Officer Christopher Hummel. The police department also saw the retirement of Officer Michael Bolinsky after 25 years of service and the retirement of Officer K-9 Judo after nine years of service to Plymouth Township residents. Officer Doug Wells then welcomed new K-9 partner Vilko to the force. The police department was Re-Accredited under the Pennsylvania Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission. The police department was the 28th department to become accredited in 2005, which symbolizes professionalism, excellence, and competence in the law enforcement profession.

During 2014, the police department made some notable arrests for some serious incidents. They included the arrest of 2 home invasion suspects, 3 armed robbery suspects after a resident was approached by two males at his parking complex. The police department responded to one of our food stores for a bomb threat. After an evacuation of the building and the surrounding area businesses, an extensive search was conducted of the property for any type of suspicious devices. After a thorough search from one of our bomb dogs (K-9 Fox), one K-9 from the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department and one K-9 from Middletown Township Police Department in Bucks County, the building was cleared.

In 2014, the police department obtained \$33,575.00 in grant monies. A breakdown of the funding sources include: Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board Grant (\$20,000.00), Pennsylvania Aggressive Driving Special Funding Grant, (\$3,675.00), Pennsylvania Aggressive Driving Grant Wave 1, (\$2,000.00), Pennsylvania Seat Belt Enforcement & Education Grant (\$3,600.00), Pennsylvania Aggressive Driving Grant Wave 2, (\$2,300.00) and Pennsylvania Aggressive Driving 2014-2015 Grant Wave 1, (\$2,000.00).

The Police Department, as in years past, continues to provide the best possible service to all members of our community. We pledge to maintain a safe and harmonious community for all.

### PARKS AND RECREATION

The Parks and Recreation Department added several new programs, events and promotions in 2014, and also revamped some of its current ones. We were very fortunate to have received grant funding to continue enhancements at Harriet Wetherill Park and also made some significant improvements to the Community Center. Constant research, grant applications, surveys and just listening to our customers enables us to provide quality, state of the art amenities to the public.

Four promotions were offered and were very well received. These included two 10% off annual pass promotions held on March 21st and November 15th, a one-week free trial from May 1st – May 31st, and the month of June we offered 10 free aquatic exercise classes with the purchase of an annual pass.

The Fitness Department included Land Aerobic classes in the

one-month and annual passes. Private Yoga and Pilates training was added to our already popular Personal Training program. Small Group Training (SGT) was introduced in the fall and is helping people meet their health and fitness goals by providing more personalized attention at a lower cost than personal training. Programs offered included Core Fusion, Small Group Boot Camp, Strength Training for Women, DanceFit, Line Dance Mix and Fit to Run. Our Active Zone was transformed into a SGT room and spinning bikes and suspension training were installed. These classes began early this year.

The Aquatics Department held its first annual Poolar Plunge water exercise event. This included three hours of different styles of water fitness with trivia and prizes. The program was a huge success. After gathering suggestions and feedback from patrons, the Swim Lesson program was revamped to better fit their needs. Some changes included smaller class sizes, a discount for enrolling in multiple lessons per week, more in-depth swim lesson training for instructors and swim evaluations.

The programming department continued to thrive. After School Rendezvous showed a remarkable increase in enrollment while Summer Camps continued to do well. Our summer Performances in the Park series provided an entertaining and enjoyable time for the many people that came out to the movies and concerts. These performances are held in the Community Center Park amphitheater; they offer a variety of entertainment for children and adults and are free to the public. We were very pleased with the amount of sponsorship interest this year and look forward to another successful and entertaining year. The Department also organized a Butterfly Garden Tender program which recruits volunteers to help maintain the beautiful Butterfly Garden at Harriet Wetherill Park. Over time this group will help independently maintain the Garden.

Last summer during shut down week, the lockers in both the Men's and Women's locker rooms were replaced. We also upgraded the building energy management system which maintains the HVAC units and lighting. This should keep the temperature throughout the building more consistent and save on energy costs.

The Parks and Recreation Department continued its efforts in carrying out the recommendations of the Harriet Wetherill Park Master Plan. In September the homestead and riding barn, which were non-compliant for public use, were demolished. The removal of these buildings enabled us to move forward with our goals and 2014 was a great year for helping us do just that as we received two significant grant awards. Through an Act 13 grant administered by the Commonwealth Financing Authority, a new entrance and parking lot from Butler Pike for larger vehicles and additional trails to connect to the current trail system are currently being installed. Look for these improvements this summer. A \$256,000 matching grant through DCNR was also awarded for outdoor restrooms, a pavilion, a nature themed playground and the initial phase of the environmental education center. This grant has a three year completion time frame.

We would like to thank all of our sponsors, volunteers and those who donate their in-kind services for contributing to make Plymouth Township a wonderful place to live and visit. Your generosity is truly appreciated. Thank you to the employees who continue to put forth their dedication, hard work and enthusiasm.

We look forward to a very successful 2015!

# **Public Works**

### TRASH COLLECTION

Place trash at curb no later than 6:00 a.m. on the day of collection, but no earlier than 7:00 p.m. on the prior evening.

- Store in water-tight containers with handles and loose fitting lids. Do not place trash in paper bags, plastic bags or cardboard boxes.
- If the trash men spill trash, they will pick it up; if an improper container breaks or an animal tears up the trash, it is the property owner's responsibility to clean up.
- The trash men will not collect more than four containers. Trash containers should be no larger than 30 gallons nor weigh more than 50 pounds.
- Unacceptable items include: Refuse from the construction of buildings such as sand, earth, lumber, brick, stone, mortar, plaster, roofing materials, plumbing fixtures, etc., auto parts, hazardous wastes, household appliances, and yard waste.
- Large items such as furniture will be picked up on your second regular trash day of the week.
- Household appliances and scrap metal are collected separately from regular trash, on the third Wednesday of the month. This
  collection is for washing machines, dryers, stoves, metal furniture, refrigerators, freezers, and air conditioners. Please call if you
  are unsure if your item needs a sticker. Residents must call 610-277-4103 by the second Friday of the month to get a sticker (cost
  \$10) and be placed on the list. Items without stickers will not be collected. Please remove doors from refrigerators and freezers.

### **RECYCLING**

### Recyclables are collected once a week on your designated recycling day.

- Place items in the blue recycling container no later than 6:00 a.m.; additional containers may be used, but must be marked for recycling. Recycle stickers are available at the Township Building at no charge.
- Large cardboard items may be placed next to the containers.
- Damaged containers can be exchanged at no cost; lost containers will be replaced at \$25.00 per container.

### The following items are recyclable:

Glass

- Aluminum and Bimetal Cans
- · Paper and cardboard
- Plastic (#1 thru #7); NO PLASTIC BAGS PLEASE

### WHITE GOODS COLLECTION FEE

### HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCE & SCRAP METAL COLLECTION FEE: \$10

The Township has a separate collection for stoves, freezers, refrigerators, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, washing machines, dryers, metal cabinets and all metal furniture, because these items are not accepted at the trash-to-steam plant.

These items are picked up once a month on the third Wednesday of the month. Residents desiring to have an appliance removed must call the Public Works Department by the second Friday of the month at (610) 277-4103 to get the \$10 disposal sticker and to be placed on the list. Items without stickers will not be collected. Once stickers are purchased there are no refunds.

Dishwashers can be put out on your second regular trash day.

### **TELEVISION COLLECTION FEE**



### **ELECTRONICS AND UNIVERSAL WASTE DROP-OFF**

Electronics are required by Law to be recycled under the Covered Device Recycling Act of 2010. They will not be accepted in regular trash.

The Township has an electronics (covered devices) and universal waste drop-off located at the Public Works Shed at no cost to Township residents.

Covered devices include: desktop computers, laptop computers, computer monitors, computer peripherals and televisions. Universal waste includes: rechargeable batteries, wire and small appliances with motors such as vacuum cleaners, blenders, and fans.

Televisions can either be dropped off at the Publics Works Shed free of charge or for a \$10 service fee we will pick it up curbside on the third Wednesday of the month. Residents desiring to have a television picked up must call the Public Works Department by the second

Friday of the month at (610) 277-4103 to get the \$10 disposal sticker and to be placed on the list. Items without stickers will not be collected. A disposal sticker is required for the televisions-only curbside collection. Once stickers are purchased there are no refunds. All other covered devices must be brought to the Public Works Shed, Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. or taken to a Montgomery County sponsored Electronics Waste Collection site on a Saturday.

Call the Public Works Office 610-277-4103 for drop-off procedures, location information, or to get on the television disposal list.

# **Public Works**

### YARD WASTE

- Yard waste is collected every Wednesday.
- Yard waste should be put out before 6:00 a.m. on Wednesdays.
- Yard waste consists of grass clippings, twigs/shrub trimmings and pruning, leaves, and garden waste (pinecones, weeds, dead plants). Rocks, dirt and logs are not considered yard waste.
- Place in biodegradable brown paper bags or in a designated Yard Waste container (trash can). Please, no plastic bags. Brown bags can be purchased at Home Depot, Lowes and some grocery stores.
- Yard waste will not be collected in the blue recycling containers.

**NOTE:** All recyclables and yard waste are collected in a designated trash truck as part of our single stream recycling. So rest assured that although all recycle materials will be collected with a trash truck, they are still being recycled to protect our earth and reduce disposal costs.

### **BRANCH AND CHIP PROGRAM COLLECTION**

- The Township runs two Branch and Chip Collection Programs during the year.
  - Spring March 9 through April 13, 2015
  - Fall September 1 through October 5, 2015
- Residents must call the Public works Department prior to NOON Wednesday of the week to schedule their pick up.
- Branches will be collected on Thursday and Friday, weather permitting.
- Collection may be delayed until Monday or Tuesday of the following week.
- Residents should comply with the following:
- Leave the branches as long as possible, a minimum of five feet in length.
- Nothing over five inches in diameter can be chipped.
- Branches should be placed at the curb in an orderly pile.
- Branches with thorns will not be collected.

### **MULCH DELIVERY**

For a charge of \$30.00 the Public Works Dept. will deliver up to 1 dump truck load (approx. 5 yards) to your household. There is a 1 yard minimum.

Each year over 1,000 tons of yard waste is collected. This material is stockpiled so it will break down at the public works yard. This material along with composted leaves is processed by our tub grinder to make mulch. The processed material is a makeup of about 75% woody material and 25% broken down composted leafy material. Together it makes mulch to place around trees and flower gardens. This material holds moisture for your trees and gardens and amends the soil with additional nutrients.

Deliveries are every Friday throughout the year from March to November. Anyone who would like a mulch delivery must come to the Public Works office in person to sign a release of liability and pay the \$30.00 delivery charge. If you would like delivery on Friday you need to pay and sign the waiver before Wednesday at 4:00 PM the week of delivery.

For more information, contact the Public Works office at 610-277-4103.

# 2014-2015 Solid Waste Holiday Collection Schedule

- If a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the holiday is observed on Monday.
- When a holiday falls on your recycle day during the week, recycling will be picked up on Wednesday of that week. Your trash will be picked up on your next scheduled trash day.

Collection of trash will be made on the next scheduled collection day when the collection day falls on the following Township holidays:

Good Friday Memorial Day Flag Day

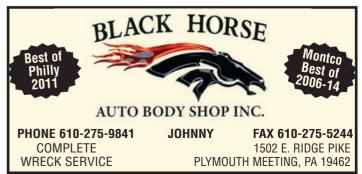
**Independence Day** 



Friday, April 3, 2015 Monday, May 25, 2015 Sunday, June 14, 2015 Observed Monday, June 15, 2015 Sunday, July 4, 2015 Observed Monday, July 6, 2015 Labor Day General Election Day Thanksgiving Day Day after Thanksgiving Christmas Day Monday, September 7, 2015 Tuesday, November 3, 2015 Thursday, November 26, 2015 Friday, November 27, 2015 Friday, December 25, 2015









# PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP DAY

For the 24th consecutive year, Plymouth Township will host a community celebration for the residents of the Greater Plymouth area on Saturday, May 30th at East Plymouth Valley Park on Germantown Pike from 4:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M.

Plymouth Township invites area businesses and organizations to participate in our annual event with donations, contributions and volunteers. In previous years, the generosity of local organizations has

helped the Township provide many exciting amusements, attractions, contests, demonstrations, and refreshments for our families, friends, and neighbors.

All sponsors and contributors will be recognized at the event with signs and announcements and will benefit from additional public relations through the Township Newsletter and the

Parks and Recreation Department's activities guide-Leisure Visions.

For more information about participating in Plymouth Township Day, please contact Susan Vacchiano at (610) 313-8683 or svacchiano@plymouthtownship.org.

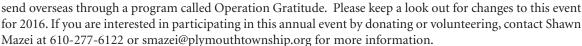


# **Parks and Recreation**

### **MLK Day of Service**

Our 6th annual MLK Day of Service was held on January 19, 2015. 60 volunteers from Girl Scouts Troops and the community attended the event to make 118 pillow cases for the ConKerr Cancer Foundation and various

other locations. We also collected donations for military personnel, separated and boxed them up to







### 2015 Performances in the Park Schedule

Concerts 7pm-9pm; Movies start at dusk FREE!

Wednesday, June 24 Movie: Finding Nemo Wednesday, July 1 Wednesday, July 8

**Concert:** Southern Edge Movie: Rio 2

Wednesday, July 15 **Concert:** The SuperNaturals Wednesday, July 22 Movie: The Lego Movie Wednesday, July 29 Concert: Where's Pete Wednesday, August 5 Movie: How to Train

Your Dragon 2

### PASS DISCOUNT

On March 21st the GPCC will offer 10% off of new or renewed passes. Stay tuned for more promotions coming in 2015!

### ANNUAL PASS PRICES

ALL LAND AEROBIC CLASSES ARE FREE WITH ANNUAL AND ONE MONTH PASSES.

### ONE-MONTH PASS PRICES

	RESIDENTS		NON RESIDENTS	
	Paid in full amount	EFT monthly deduction	Paid in full amount	EFT monthly deduction
Primary Adult (18-61 years)	\$438	\$36.50	\$560	\$46.67
Primary Youth (3-17 years) Primary Senior (62 + years)	\$343	\$28.58	\$439	\$36.58
Additional Youth w/purchase of primary pass	\$79	\$6.58	\$92	\$7.67
Additional Adult/Senior w/purchase of primary pass	\$158	\$13.16	\$184	\$15.33

	RESIDENTS	NON RESIDENTS
Primary Adult (18-61 years)	\$42	\$55
Primary Youth (3-17 yrs) Primary Senior (62 + yrs)	\$34	\$44
Additional Youth w/purchase of primary pass	\$13	\$15
Additional Adult/Senior w/purchase of primary pass	\$23	\$28

### SMALL GROUP TRAINING IS NOW AVAILABLE AT THE GPCC!

- Small group training is an affordable way to take advantage of a certified instructor's expertise at a lower financial investment than personal training.
- An effective small group training program is big enough to retain the fun and competitiveness of a group dynamic, but small enough to receive more personalized attention.
- Certified instructors will supervise and make corrections along the way rather than just instruct. This ensures exercises are done properly and helps to achieve goals quickly.
- A typical time-frame is 4 weeks, short enough to commit without scheduling conflicts but long enough to see results.

Below is a description of the Small Group Training classes currently being offered.

Please see the Spring/Summer Leisure Visions due out in mid March for a detailed class schedule and prices.



### GROUP CYCLING AGES: 18+ YEARS

Classes offer a great exercise for strengthening the heart and lungs, burning calories and decreasing stress. Nothing beats an indoor cycling class for a low-impact, high intensity workout. And there is no better way of enjoying cycling's benefits than in a fun and supportive group setting led by our energetic instructors, with motivating music.

Price: \$26 Pass Holders; \$40 Non-Pass Holders

3/16–4/6 Mondays 10:00 AM–10:55 AM 3/17–4/7 Tuesdays 7:00 AM – 7:55 AM 3/23–4/13 Mondays 6:00 AM – 6:55 AM 3/25–4/15 Wednesdays 6:00 AM–6:55 AM 3/23–4/13 Mondays 6:00 PM – 6:55 PM 3/25–4/15 Wednesdays 6:00 PM–6:55 PM 3/27–4/17 Fridays 9:00 AM – 9:55 AM

### CYCLE & YOGA AGES: 18+ YEARS

The perfect class for stability, caloric burn, strength, fluidity, flexibility and breath body awareness. This class will be split in half, starting with group cycling and ending with yoga for active stretching and continued strengthening.

Price: \$26 Pass Holders; \$40 Non-Pass Holders 3/28–4/18 Saturdays 8:00 AM – 8:55 AM

### CYCLE & CORE AGES: 18+ YEARS

Burn calories and strengthen your core in the same class. This fusion class combines 40 minutes of cycling with 15 minutes of core work.

**Price:** \$26 Pass Holders;

\$40 Non-Pass Holders

3/17–4/7 Tuesdays 7:30 PM – 8:25 PM 3/19–4/9 Thursdays 7:30 PM – 8:25 PM

### Suspension Training Ages: 18+ years



A total body resistance training program that utilizes a specialized strap system to place your body in various positions and by leveraging gravity to complete hundreds of exercises. Resistance is increased or decreased by simply adjusting your body position. Using your own body weight to develop strength, increase flexibility, balance and core stability.

### **BOOT CAMP AGES: 18+ YEARS**

Want to spice up your exercise routine, try something different, or just start your weekend off right with a great workout? This class can be a great supplement to your normal weekly exercise routine; it will get your heart pumping and your muscles screaming! A variety of exercises will be used to burn fat, build muscle, increase endurance, and push you to the limit! This is a high intensity class held indoors for the winter.

# STRENGTH TRAINING PROGRAM FOR WOMEN AGES: 18+ YEARS

Ladies, are you intimidated by lifting weights in the gym? Do you know about the benefits of strength training, but don't know where to start? Do you spend hours in the gym doing cardio and seeing zero results from the scale? Well it is time to introduce strength training to your workouts! Join one of the GPCC's female personal trainers for a 4 week session that will get you acquainted with strength training techniques for a lean and sculpted body. Come dressed for a muscle pumping workout!

# YOUTH SMALL GROUP TRAINING XKIDS AGES: 10-14 YEARS

This new 4 week class meets twice a week and crosses over into many different aspects of training for a fun, new and challenging workout! It combines weight lifting, suspension training, boot camp exercises, and cardio training all in one! This is not your ordinary workout!

### WEIGHT TRAINING 101: AGES: 7-9 YEARS



Research continues to support the fact that kids should weight train at an early age, and myths about stunting growth have been proven wrong. Some of the benefits to weight training for kids are improvements in bone density, lean body mass, overall strength, motor fitness, and injury prevention. The importance of an early start is essential to a child's positive attitude about making exercise a permanent part of their lifestyle. Weight training machines specifically built for children will be used.

# **Parks and Recreation**



### **RUN YOUR FIRST 5K WITH OUR** FIT TO RUN CLASS COMING IN APRIL.

Fit to Run helps you build enough endurance to run 3.1 miles and also will help you look and feel better! Classes begin April 6th More info in our Spring/Summer Leisure Visions or call Ed at 610-277-4906.



### **Aquatics**

### It's never too late to learn how to swim!

The GPCC offers swim lessons year round for all ages and abilities. Our group lessons off a low student-to-instructor ratio. We also offer private lessons for children and adults personalized to meet individual needs. Visit our website or Leisure Visions for a complete listing. Classes fill quickly, so register today.





# **BIRTHDAY PARTIES** AT THE GPCC

Have your next Birthday Party at the GPCC. Let us do the work. We offer a variety of parties including pool, sports, and special themes. We provide the pizza, cake, balloons, decorations and staff. Our Birthday Party Package Brochure is available online.



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# **Parks and Recreation**



### **SUMMER CAMP PROGRAMS**

Here is a brief description of our Summer Camps. Please refer to our Summer Camp Brochure for all the details.

**CAMP GPCC** (Ages 6-12) June 15 to Aug. 21 Sign up weekly. Discount for all eight weeks. *Location:* GPCC

A traditional day camp with a variety of activities including arts and crafts, sports, swimming and day trips.

**TEEN CAMP** (Ages 12-15) June 15 through Aug. 21 Sign up weekly. Discount for all eight weeks.

Location: GPCC

Exciting adventures including trips, swimming, athletic competitions, challenging projects and games.

**PLAYGROUND CAMP** (Ages 6-12) A six week program beginning June 22 through July 31

**Location:** Plymouth Elementary

Traditional playground activities including arts and crafts, sports and day trips. Held outdoors with minimal structure.

MINI PEOPLE (Ages 3-6) June 22 through July 31 Sign up weekly.

Location: GPCC

Features arts and crafts, games, special events and socialization during six themed weeks.

### Mini Sports Camp

Your child will be introduced to softee hockey, soccer and basketball and participate in exercises to encourage team play and group interaction. Please bring a water bottle daily.

**Location:** EPV

5-7 yrs 6/15-6/19 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

\$52 RES/\$65 NR 5-7 vrs 7/27-7/31

9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

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### Dance and Tumbling Camp

The combination camp will include areas from both tumbling and dance. Children will learn forward and backward rolls, balance and coordination. The dance part will teach basic steps, movements and a routine. Everyone is welcome to attend their performance on Friday. Please dress appropriately and bring a snack and drink daily.

**Location:** Ridge Park Elementary (RPE) 5-7 yrs 8/10-8/14 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. \$78 CSDRD/\$98 NR

### CSI: Critter Scene Investigators Camp

A new branch of CSI has emerged and its mission is to uncover the mysteries of nature. Armed with your wits and a magnifying glass, you as a Critter Scene Investigator will work to answer some of the world's biggest (and smallest) questions. Agents will learn what to do when encountering wild animals, identify prints and tracks, go on exploratory hikes and a nature scavenger hunt, and investigate how animals camouflage themselves plus much more. Bring a water bottle and healthy snack.

**Location:** HWP

6-10 yrs 7/20-7/24 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. \$120 RES/\$150 NR

### **Zombie Survival Camp**

Are you prepared for the zombie invasion? Become a member of the Zombie Outbreak Response Agency. As a ZORA agent you will learn proper protocol for building zombie-proof shelters, locating supply caches using GPS, signaling skills to communicate with other agents, tracking the undead's movements and camouflaging to hide among the zombie legions. Bring a water bottle and healthy snack. *Location:* HWP

10-14 yrs 7/20-7/24 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. \$120 RES/\$150 NR

### Mix It Up with the Playful Chef Camp

Kids will have a hands on experience creating both savory and sweet recipes, while learning about the foods they are using in the recipes. In addition, campers will make a craft or do food experiments as well. There will also be the option to take dishes home. Please let us know about any allergies that your child may have, as we can adjust the recipes as needed. Peanut free recipes.

Location: GPCC

6-12 yrs 8/24-8/28 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. \$85 RES/\$106 NR

### **Pottery Camp**

Each day, campers will learn new hand-building and glazing techniques and build new projects such as wind chimes, masks and bird houses. There will be plenty of extra time to focus on their own interest too! Your kids will have the opportunity to let their imagination soar as they learn to create wonderful works of art.

**Location:** GPCC

5-15 yrs 8/24-8/28 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. \$165 RES/\$206 NR

### **Mutant Ninja Brick Building Turtles**

Grab your katanas and nun-chucks as we prepare to fight crime with the Teenage Brick Turtles! Practice engineering building the courageous turtles and their wise Japanese rat sensei, Master Splinter. Strengthen your ninjutsu skills to defeat the villainous Shredder and his evil Foot Clan. After a treacherous day of crime-fighting, don't forget to give the turtles a lunch break to enjoy a pizza down in their sewer dwelling under the city. Join us to build and play Brick Turtle Style! Each child will receive a camp bag, t-shirt, crafts and take homes too!

Location: GPCC

6-12 yrs 8/24-8/28 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. \$215 RES/\$269 NR

### Pirates of the Caribbean Brick Adventure

Join our Bricks 4 Kidz building adventure as we immerse our campers in the land of storied pirates setting out on treacherous adventures! We'll build robotic models including a pirate ship, anchor, plank-walk and more. Our friendly LEGO Pirates will rescue characters from evil pirates in island-based games and challenges, search for hidden treasure and build and film their own chapter of the Pirates of the Caribbean saga in their own mini-movie! Kids receive a camp shirt, pirate loot, mini figure, mini movie and more!

Location: GPCC

6-12 yrs 8/24-8/28 12:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. \$215 RES/\$269 NR

Sign up for both Mutant Ninja and Pirates: \$370 RES/\$462 NR

# **Plymouth Township Directory**



# **Plymouth Township Municipal Building**

700 Belvoir Road, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462 610-277-4100 • 610-277-4313 fax

Monday - Friday 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Website: www.plymouthtownship.org
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### **2013 PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP COUNCIL**

District 2:	Sheldon Simpson, Chair	610-275-3369
District 4:	Lenore Bruno, Vice-Chair	610-397-1553
District 1:	Dean N. Eisenberger, Sr.	484-681-4176
District 3:	Martin J. Higgins	610-277-4721
At Large:	Ron Trask	215-804-8323

### **DIRECT PHONE LINES**

In order to expedite your call, please remember to dial the department responsible for your request or information.

Karen B. Weiss	Township Manager	610-233-0608
Christopher J. Loschiavo	Director of Public Works	610-233-0566
James Wallace	Director of Code Enforcement	610-233-0589
Timothy J. Creelman	Finance Director	610-233-0600
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Karen S. Franck	Parks & Recreation Director	610-277-4312
G. Philip Brady	Asst. Parks & Rec. Director	610-277-4312
Richard Carbo	Building & Grounds Director	610-313-8684

### **EMERGENCY NUMBERS-Police, Fire, Rescue, Ambulance** 9-1-1

### **NON-EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

Police	610-279-1901
Plymouth Fire Co.	610-233-0602
Harmonville Fire Co.	610-828-0836
Plymouth Ambulance	610-277-2776

Sewer Emergency

Day 610-277-4105 Night 610-279-1901

### **PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULE**

All meetings are held at the Township Municipal Building, 700 Belvoir Road, Plymouth Meeting, unless otherwise noted. For specific meeting times, please call 610-277-4100.

- Council Meeting (Workshop) 1st Monday
- Council Meeting (Public Session) 2nd Monday
- Emergency Services Board 3rd Thursday
  - January, March, May, July, September & November
- E. Norriton-Plymouth-Whitpain

Joint Sewer Authority 2nd Wednesday

- Meetings held at Sewer Plant. No meeting in July & December.
- Historical Architectural

**Review Board** 2nd Wednesday

- Meetings held at Whitemarsh Township Building.
- Park, Recreation & Shade Tree

Advisory Board 4th Tuesday

- Meetings held at Greater Plymouth Community Center. Call 610-277-4312 to confirm.

Civil Service Commission
 Planning Agency
 Zoning Hearing Board
 2nd Thursday
 1st Wednesday
 3rd Monday

• Environmental Advisory Board 3rd Tuesday

### PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP VOTING LOCATIONS

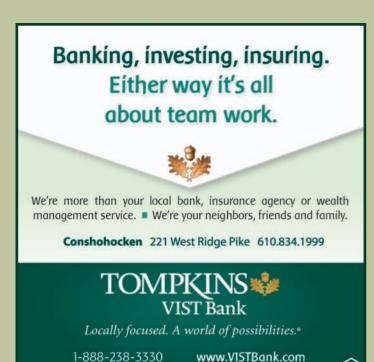
**Primary Election Day** *Tuesday, May 19, 2015* • **General Election Day** *Tuesday, November 3, 2015* If you have any questions, please call Plymouth Township or Montgomery County Voter Services at (610) 278-3280.



DISTRICT	LOCATION		
1 - 1	National Armory, 1046 Belvoir Road	3 - 1	Greater Plymouth Community Center,
1 - 2	National Armory, 1046 Belvoir Road		2910 Jolly Road
2 - 1	Plymouth Community Ambulance Building,	3 - 2	Plymouth Elementary School, 542 Plymouth Road
	902 East Germantown Pike	3 - 3	Church on the Mall, Plymouth Meeting Mall
2 - 2	Plymouth Township Municipal Building,	4 - 1	Ridge Park Elementary School,
	700 Belvoir Road		Karrs Lane & Little Avenue
2 - 3	Harmonville Fire Station 904, Germantown Pike	4 - 2	Plymouth Fire Company, 1323 Colwell Lane



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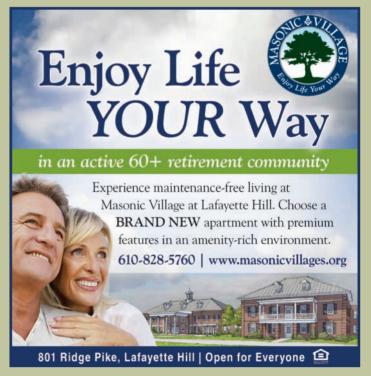
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