



The Upper Pottsgrove Township HERALD

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Office Hours Monday—Friday, 8AM—4:30PM

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www.uptownship.org

Phone 610.323.8675

MEETING DATES & TIMES

Board of Commissioners-3rd Mon., 7 PM;

1st Mon. as needed

Planning Commission-2nd Mon., 7 PM

Open Space & Recreation Board-2nd Tues., 7 PM

Sewer & Water Committee-1st Tues., 6 PM

Fire Committee-2nd Thurs., 7 PM

Zoning & Hearing Board-Meets on Demand

Web Link to Calendar: www.uptownship.org

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

- Trace Slinkerd, President - tslinkerd@uptownship.org
- France Krazalkovich, Vice President—fkrazalkovich@uptownship.org
- Martin Schreiber—mschreiber@uptownship.org
- Reneé Spaide—nee90@comcast.net
- Elwood Taylor—etaylor@uptownship.org



PRIMARY ELECTION DAY

Tuesday, May 15th, 2018 from 7AM to 8 PM is the date and time to vote. **Upper Pottsgrove's only polling place is at the Pottsgrove Middle**

School, 1351 North Hanover Street, Pottstown, PA 19464.



WE WANT YOU!

Whether it is the Army, Navy, Airforce, Marines, the Coast Guard, the National Guard and all of the Reserves, we want you! Yes, that is the saying when a military organization wanted you to sign up to enlist in the armed forces. Upper Pottsgrove is erecting a Memorial for all of our residents (past, present and departed) who have devoted their time in defending our country. This will be a tribute to every individual who lives in Upper Pottsgrove and who has served and protected our country. I grew up as a prodigy of parents who were known as the "Greatest Generation". Their offspring were called "baby boomers". Hence, I am a baby boomer. I cannot tell you enough about the respect that was instilled in me and my siblings by our parents, Ruth and Raymond Spaide. My father, a Captain in the Army, 25th infantry, was so proud at having served in World War II. Growing up, he always said we live in the greatest country. I still believe we live in the greatest country. He enlisted in the Army after graduating from college and after the bombing of Pearl Harbor. He believed in all of the things America had to offer.

The real reason for this message is to have you, your neighbors, relatives and friends contact us so that we can remember those who served our great country. Please contact Michelle Reddick at planning@uptownship.org. You can also call the township building at 610-323-8675. Please give us the name, telephone no., branch of military service, and years of service. This will be compiled into a spreadsheet to have the names placed on the memorial. A special thanks to Dennis Elliott for heading up this wonderful tribute and to Russell Gofus for giving us the incentive to finish this project.

Commissioner Reneé Spaide

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS, HIGH PAY, APPLY NOW

Looking for high pay, satisfying work, great camaraderie, challenging and changing work atmosphere and the capability to work close to home - well we have all that and more for you in VOL-UNTEERING with your Pottsgrove Township Fire/Rescue or Emergency Medical Service provider(s). YES!! Did you know that you, your neighbors, and friends receive their fire/rescue and emergency medical services in Upper Pottsgrove Township through primarily all volunteer providers? The Upper Pottsgrove Fire Company is a volunteer staffed Fire Company – Firefighters, staff and fire police, regardless of their title or service area, volunteer their services. Service and training time is without salary or personal remuneration. Volunteer service is the core to providing necessary critical services which otherwise would cost us enumerable additional tax dollars.

Not up to 'fighting fires as a firefighter'? That's ok because volunteer service as a member of your Upper Pottsgrove Fire Company can take many forms. We need you!! – as firefighter (interior & exterior), staff & support functions, financial management & administrative contributions, in house operations & maintenance. We surely have a position/role to fit your availability and any gift(s) you have to offer. No previous experience or training necessary – will train as needed. Whether male or female, young or old, self-employed and/or business owner can, through your membership, make a significant contribution to the Company, the Township and your family, neighbors & friends.

Call 610-326-7589 x1 or email fireco@comcast.net for further information or questions on what can be life changing for you.

DEAD DEER

To report dead deer on N. Charlotte Street, Gilbertsville Road, Maugers Mill Road & Route 100, call PennDOT at (610) 275-2368 & "Press 0". The contractor for PennDOT has 48-60 hours to pick up the dead deer after it is reported.

To report dead deer on remaining streets, call the PA Game Commission at (610) 926-1966.

SAVE THESE 2018 DATES:

- **FISH TOURNAMENT** ~ Saturday, May 19th - Sure-Catch Pond at Sunset Park, 1401 N. Charlotte Street
- **ARCHERY HUNT** ~ Starts Saturday, September 15th (Register with the township by August 15th.)
- **COMMUNITY DAY** ~ Saturday, September 22nd - Heather Place Park, 1420 Heather Place

NOTARY SERVICES for Township Residents -

Contact Michelle Reddick to set an appointment for services: (610) 323-8675 x203.

ROAD BRIGADE CLEANUP

We thank our volunteers who participated in our **International Coastal Cleanup on October 14th** last year. Use this link to view very interesting data from the fall 2017 cleanup:

https://oceanconservancy.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/2017-ICC_Report_RM.pdf

We will meet again at the township building this April. Please call the township office at (610) 323-8675 to sign up to volunteer.

We really appreciate our residents who put their recycling into bags so that it does not blow all over the neighborhood and the streets.

TAX COLLECTOR NEWS

Please note that the tax collector is not able to accept any **prepayments for 2018 real estate taxes**. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Diane DeLong at (610) 323-2157. Thanks.



Nonprofit Managers of the Althouse Arboretum

HOUSEHOLD ELECTRONICS AND APPLIANCE RECYCLING DAY

Saturday, FEBRUARY 24TH 9 AM TO 1 PM

Hillside Aquatic Club Parking Lot, 134 W. Moyer Road, Pottstown

\$10 Donation per Vehicle



Electronics Collection List (NO ADDITIONAL CHARGE)

| | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Computer Towers | Laptop Computer |
| Tablets | Servers |
| Printers | Flat Screen Monitors |
| Phone Systems | Game Consoles |
| Flat Screen TV's | Stereos / Radios |
| Small Appliances | Cell Phones / Calculators |
| Computer Ink Cartridges | Cords and Wires |

Because of environmental issues that make safe disposal expensive, the following require an additional fee:

CRT monitors and Conventional TV's \$45 per unit up to 30 inches
\$65 per unit over 40 inches or in a cabinet/box



Appliance and Metal Collection List (Per Unit CHARGES Listed)

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| Washers / Dryers (FREE) | Air Conditioners (\$5 charge) |
| Dishwashers (FREE) | Dehumidifiers (\$5 charge) |
| Ranges (Stoves) (FREE) | Refrigerators / Freezers (\$10 charge) |
| Metal (any) (FREE) | Microwaves (FREE) |

Thank You!



QUESTIONS: ken@green-allies.org or 267-371-2288

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Would you like to become more involved in your Community? Upper Pottsgrove has many volunteer opportunities available for many interests.

- Volunteer to serve on an advisory board. We have over 7 boards that need seats filled at various times.
- Rubbish Brigade meets twice a year to police the township roads and open spaces. Many people have an area they police throughout the year.
- Open Space & Recreation Board meets throughout the year to plan various programs such as Community Day, Fish Rodeo, etc. Volunteers are needed to help with events.
- Trail Ambassadors adopt a section of trail or open space which they help to maintain and monitor.

For more information on any of these opportunities, please contact the township or visit our website.

Pavilion Reservations

Need a place for a party or a special get-together? Please consider making a reservation for the pavilions ~ two locations: Heather Place Park, 1420 Heather Place and Sunset Park, 1401 N. Charlotte Street. The fees are \$30.00 for residents and \$50.00 for non-residents. There is a deposit of \$100.00 required which will be refunded upon a good-standing inspection. Horseshoe pit and kickball supplies are also available for a deposit. Contact the township office @ 610-323-8675 to reserve.



February 2018 Children's Events

Pottstown Regional Public Library
500 E. High St.
Pottstown, PA 19464
610-970-6551
www.prpl.mclinc.org
Like us on FB for more events and weather related closings!



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| CHILDREN'S AUTHORS AND ILLUSTRATORS WEEK is celebrated during the first week of February. Inspire a lifelong love of reading, writing and art! | | | | 1 Art Smarts Ages 6-12 4:30 PM | 2 Art Smarts Homeschool Ages 6 -12 11:00 AM | 3 Weird Science 11:00 AM Grades 2-5 |
| 4 | 5 LITTLE EXPLORERS STEM Storytime 10:30 AM Ages 3-5 | 6 Toddler Tuesday 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM I Survived Book Club 6:00 PM | 7 | 8 Community Art 10:30 AM All Ages | 9 Makin Music with Mr. Mike 10:30 AM Ages 5 and under | 10 Let's Learn Spanish! 10:30 AM Jewelry Making 1:00 PM Grades 4-8 |
| 11 Random Acts of Kindness Week Stop by and grab a heart from our tree for an idea. | 12 HAPPY PRESIDENTS DAY Library is Closed! | 13 Toddler Tuesday 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM PJ Storytime 6:00 PM All Ages! | 14 Spanish Storytime 10:30 AM Lego Club 6:00 PM Ages 6 -12 | 15 Storytime at the Coventry Mall with Green Valleys 10:30 AM All Ages! | 16 Happy Chinese New Year! | 17 DART Therapy Dogs Come and read to us! 10:00 AM All Ages |
| 18 | 19 | 20 Toddler Tuesday 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM | 21 Origami 6:00 PM All Ages | 22 | 23 | 24 Book Sale |
| 2 | 26 LITTLE EXPLORERS STEM Storytime 10:30 AM Ages 3-5 | 27 Toddler Tuesday 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM | 28 Happy Birthday Megan McDonald author of Judy Moody! | CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH Check out one of our many books on display to learn more! | | |