

## Lower Gwynedd Township EAC Annual Report of Activities 2021

### Land Stewardship:

- Completed application for Tree City membership, which was submitted by Township staff to the organization; awaiting notification of status,
- Submitted proposal to BOS to establish a tree giveaway program; budget authority has been allocated for 2022. This program, along with Tree City status, has relevance to stormwater mitigation as well as land stewardship.
- At request of township staff, developed landscaping plan for Penllyn Woods flagpole.
- Purchased new Spotted Lanternfly Swatters for distribution to LGT residents.
- Participated in regional discussions to revitalize the Bird Town initiative with new programming to come in 2022 (also has implications for water stewardship).
- Proposed volunteer clean-up days for Norristown Rd exits of Rte 309; received budget 2022 budget authority for police staffing and supplies for this project.

### Water Stewardship:

- Researched and developed a plan for signage that identifies major stream crossings within the township with a goal of raising awareness of the importance to LGT of water and watershed issues.
- Continued close monitoring of local and statewide developments concerning PFAS contamination.

### Resource Conservation:

- Sponsored an in-person presentation by Colleen Falicki ([Back to Earth Composting](#)) on home composting and reducing food waste.
- Participated in discussions of plastic bag bans/fees that are taking place among several local municipalities; began developing plans for outreach to businesses and residents regarding this issue, should the BOS approve such outreach.
- Diverted 21 five-gallon buckets of batteries from landfills through the Battery Solutions recycling program.
- Offered recycling of damaged/broken Christmas lights.

### Communications:

- Worked with township staff to update the EAC section of the township website.
- Began a "Green Tip of the Month" for the townships e-news.
- Submitted 1-3 articles for each LGT print newsletter covering a wide range of topics.
- Advised residents regarding bird-feeding restrictions called for over the summer.
- Participated in FallFest.

### Council Governance:

- Addressed several governance issues, including revisions to by-laws; solidifying committee structure; and clarifying scope of activity of individual committees.
- Developed a set of programming goals and priorities for 2022.

