## JAMES J. JACQUETTE

#### 2011 Citizen of the Year

Tames J. Jacquette was honored on November 17, 2011 as Lower Gwynedd Township's 15th Citizen of the Year. Mr. Jacquette was honored by the Board of Supervisors and approximately 100 Township officials, volunteers and former award recipients. Mr. Jacquette was accompanied by his wife Joanne Rogers and his four children, Michael, Matthew, David and Nora and many other family members.

Mr. Jacquette's volunteer work includes legal services for the Montgomery Child Advocacy Project, the regional Legal Aid Office, and the Wills for Heroes Program. He has



Back row from left to right are Supervisors Stephen Paccione, Mark Grey, Dr. J. Richard Booth. Front row from left to right are Edward Brandt, Chairman, Larry Comunale, Township Manager, James Jacquette, recipient of the 2011 Citizen of the Year Award, his wife, Joanne Jacquette and Supervisor, Kathleen Hunsicker.

since 1988. He is an active member of the Montgomery County Bar Association, serving as Chairman of the Judiciary Committee in 2010 and the Bench Bar Committee in 2009.

Edward J. Brandt, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, expressed his delight with the selection of Mr. Jacquette stating that Mr. Jacquette's long involvement in many areas of community service made him the perfect recipient for the Award.

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wife Joanne Rogers and his four any other family members.	ice/Firep3
services for the Montgomery Child If the Wills for Heroes Program. He has	Administrationp4
been active in the Lower Gwynedd Little League since 1981, serving as President of	Public Worksp5
the League in 1983 – 84. He presently continues to serve as an umpire for the	Financep6
League.  Mr. Jacquette has served on the Lower	Polling Locationsp7
Gwynedd Recreation Board since 1981 and i presently its Chairman. As Chairman of th Board, Mr. Jacquette has been instrumental	Board of Supervisorsp8-9
the development of the Township's park ar trail system.	
After graduating from Temple Law School 1977 he started working at the law firm Timoney Knox, where he has been a partner since 1988. He is an active member of the	er Paper Stredding, E-Cycle & Prescription Drug Collection Dayp18

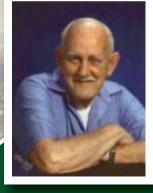
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## **BOB PIERSON RETIRES**

#### SERVED THE TOWNSHIP FOR 45 YEARS

The year is 1966, gasoline sold for 32 cents/gallon, the average cost of a new house was \$14,200, a new car cost \$2,650, Star Trek debuted on predominately black and white television, and Bob Pierson reported to work for Lower Gwynedd Township. Bob joined the 5 – member police force in 1966 and served as a Lower Gwynedd Police Officer till 1982. In 1982 Bob was hired as a mechanic and sewer foreman in public works. He is retiring as Public Works Director on May 13, 2012.

Bob Pierson has seen cornfields in Lower Gwynedd turn into housing



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developments and industrial complexes for Fortune 500 companies. He has served the community when it was a rural, mostly agricultural community, through a period of major growth, and seen his community become a mature, and affluent suburb. For all those years Bob Pierson helped to develop Lower Gwynedd's infrastructure, roads, storm and sanitary sewers that allowed the Township to develop into what we all enjoy today.

Ed Brandt, Chairman of the Lower Gwynedd Township Board of Supervisors, has referred to Bob as an individual with a tremendous wealth of knowledge about the Township and its history. "The knowledge that man has will be sorely missed," according to Mr. Brandt. Township Manager, Larry Comunale said he always went to Bob to find out why and how certain things were done over the years. Bob would always have the answer or he would get the answer to any questions I had. Bob always kept the best interest of the Township as his #1 priority," according to the Township Manager.

Lower Gwynedd will miss Bob's knowledge, his expertise and his good natured approach to solving problems. Lower Gwynedd is a better place as a result of Bob Pierson's long and loyal service to his community.

# **POLICE /FIRE**

#### **USE YOUR HEAD...WEAR A HELMET**

Now that the winter holidays have come and gone, there's a good chance that your child wants to take his or her new bicycle, skateboard, or scooter for a spin. Please take the following points into consideration before you allow your child to head out on their new wheels.

- Each year, approximately 135 children die from bicycle-related injuries and more than 267,000 nonfatal bicycle injuries occur. Helmets can reduce the risk of severe brain injuries by 88 percent; however, only 15 to 25 percent of children 14 and under usually wear a bicycle helmet.
- A bike helmet is essential safety gear. Helmets could prevent an estimated 75 percent of fatal head injuries and up to 45,000 head injuries to children who ride bikes each year.
- Section 3510 (a) of the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code requires riders under age 12 to wear a helmet when operating or riding

as a passenger on a bicycle. This law also includes passengers in a restraining seat attached to or trailer towed by a bicycle. Violators may be subject to fines and



The cost of a helmet is minimal when weighing their benefit.
 While bike shops may carry more expensive models, discount retailers carry less expensive helmets that are equally protective\*

The Lower Gwynedd Police Department wants all of our citizens, young and old, to protect themselves when heading out for a nice ride along one of our beautiful trails here in the township, so *PLEASE* use your head ... and put on a helmet!

\*The Lower Gwynedd Township Police Crime Prevention Unit has a limited quantity of helmets to give to youth in need of head protection. Please contact the Police Department if your child needs a helmet.

#### **BEWARE OF UNSCRUPULOUS CONTRACTORS**

A re you planning to spruce up your home this spring?

Looking for a contractor? Beware of unscrupulous contractors who use high-pressure sales tactics to win over customers offering bargain prices and often promising to begin and complete work more quickly than other contractors in the area. These same home improvement contractors often prey on senior citizens.

The following information is from the Office of Attorney General, Bureau of Consumer Protection (#1-800-441-2555 or www.attorneygeneral.gov). The Home Improvement Consumer Protection Act requires all home improvement contractors, with limited exceptions, to register with the Office of Attorney General and they must display their registration number on all advertizing and contracts. **Some tips for dealing with unscrupulous home contractors:** 

- Beware of the contractor who comes to your door unsolicited and never allow an unsolicited contractor to enter your home.
- Beware of the contractor who offers reduced prices for work using "left-over" materials from a previous job.

- Beware of contractors who do not have a street address or phone number on their contracts and use an answering service to contact them.
- Use only contractors who have experience in performing the work that you need done.
- Obtain at least three estimates for the improvement project.
- Always get a written contract before you allow work to be done on your home.
- Examine the contract carefully, making sure it includes descriptions of the exact type of work to be done, estimated completion date and payment schedule.
- Don't pay a contractor before you read and sign a contract. The law only permits contractors to request or accept a 1/3 deposit, plus the cost of "special order materials" at the signing of the contract for any job over \$1,000.00.

If you think that you are a victim of a fraudulent home improvement scheme, immediately contact the Lower Gwynedd Police Department at 215-646-5300.

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# **ADMINISTRATION**

#### LOWER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP

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#### **Board of Supervisors**

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Asst. Sec.: Carole Culbreth

Finance Director: Karen Yeutter

Police Chief: John P. Scholly

Solicitor: James J. Garrity, Esq.

Engineer: David W. Connell, P.E., CKS Eng.

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**Building Inspector:** Joseph Groarke

Real Estate Tax Collector: Betty Lou Yost

Recreation Director: Sandi L. Feight

Parks Superintendent: Chris Kalb

Fire Marshal: Al Comly

#### LOWER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP 2012 SPRING/SUMMER MEETING SCHEDULE

All meetings to be held in the Administrative Office at 1130 North Bethlehem Pike, Spring House

	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (7:30 PM)	ZONING HEARING BOARD (7:30 PM)	PLANNING COMMISSION (7:00 PM)	PARK AND RECREATION (7:30 PM)	MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY (7:30 PM)
MARCH	13 and 27	8	21	27	14
APRIL	10 and 23*	12	18	24	11
MAY	22	10	16	22	9
JUNE	26	14	20	26	13
JULY	24	12	18	24	11
AUGUST	28	9	15	N/A	8

<sup>\*</sup>Location to be determined

#### **Deadline for Submissions:**

#### **Zoning Hearing Board**

30 days prior to scheduled meeting

#### **Planning Commission**

Last day of month prior to scheduled meeting

#### **TOWNSHIP HOLIDAYS are as follows:**

April 6 (Good Friday) May 28 (Memorial Day) July 4 (Independence Day Holiday) September 3 (Labor Day)

Primary Election Day: Tuesday, April 24, 2012



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# **PUBLIC WORKS**

#### **2012 Road Program**

Lower Gwynedd Township is tentatively scheduled to complete roadwork this summer on 1.82 miles of the 49 miles of roadway the Township is responsible to maintain.



#### The following roadways are to be repaired and paved this year.

Swedesford Road (Between Sumneytown Pike and DeKalb Pike)
Beech Hollow Road • Wister Road • East Ave • Kenilworth Road
Johns Lane • Maple Ave • Susquehanna Road • Cynwyd Lane
Mansion Ave • Walnut Street • Pershing Road • West Ave • North Ave

#### **Landscape Maintenance**

Landscaping and trees that are not maintained become a safety issue for the pedestrians and motorist using Township Roadways. All roadside landscaping and trees must be trimmed back approximately 1 foot behind the face of the curb line and to a minimum height of 13 feet. Corner property owners should take extra care to make sure their landscaping does not interfere with sight distances entering and exiting cross streets. Properly maintained landscaping allows for safe passage of pedestrians and motorist that are using our roadways.



#### **Street Lights**

Lower Gwynedd Township has many street lights which we are responsible to maintain. In addition to the many streetlights the Township is responsible for there are many that are the responsibility of Homeowners Associations. If you have a problem with a street light that is out or not functioning properly please contact the Township in order for us to make the necessary repairs. The Township staff is capable of completing many of the repairs, but on some occasions the repairs are contracted out which can take a little longer.



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# **FINANCE**

#### UNFUNDED MANDATES AND YOUR TAX DOLLARS

State and Federal lawmakers and agencies institute laws and regulations that Lower Gwynedd and other local governments must follow. Quite often these well-intentioned laws and regulations are approved with no money accompanying them to meet compliance costs. When that happens your tax dollars go to foot the bill for these "unfunded mandates."

From keeping up with an arbitrary array of Federal and state clean-water requirements to paying contracted workers higher wages for Township projects, local taxpayers suffer with higher taxes due to outdated laws and special interest-driven regulations.

For example, Lower Gwynedd Township has budgeted \$50,000 in 2012 and will budget \$100,000 in 2013 to meet new stormwater regulations of unproven environmental value. Due to state agency requirements, the Township had to install a bridge for a foot path over a small stream recently at a cost of \$13,000 more than it would have cost to put in a short section of pipe. Under state laws passed before the internet existed the Township must place costly ads in the newspaper rather than posting them on the internet or in mass circulation community papers. The Township spent over \$9,000 for advertising in

Our legislators and Governor provided significant relief to local governments with the passage of Act 92 of 2011, increasing the

newspapers in 2011.

minimum dollar amount requiring municipalities to advertise and seek bids for purchasing and contracts; and indexing the amounts to the cost of living in the future. This was welcome news to local governments across the Commonwealth and a very good beginning.

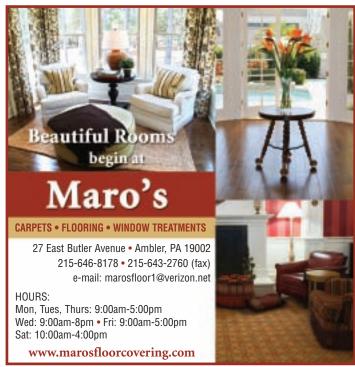
Our State Legislators and Governor could save local governments and their taxpayers additional money if they would do the following:

Modify the Prevailing Wage Law by increasing the \$25,000 contract threshold to at least \$250,000 and correcting the 2008 Pennsylvania Supreme Court ruling that subjected paving and other formerly exempt projects to the law.

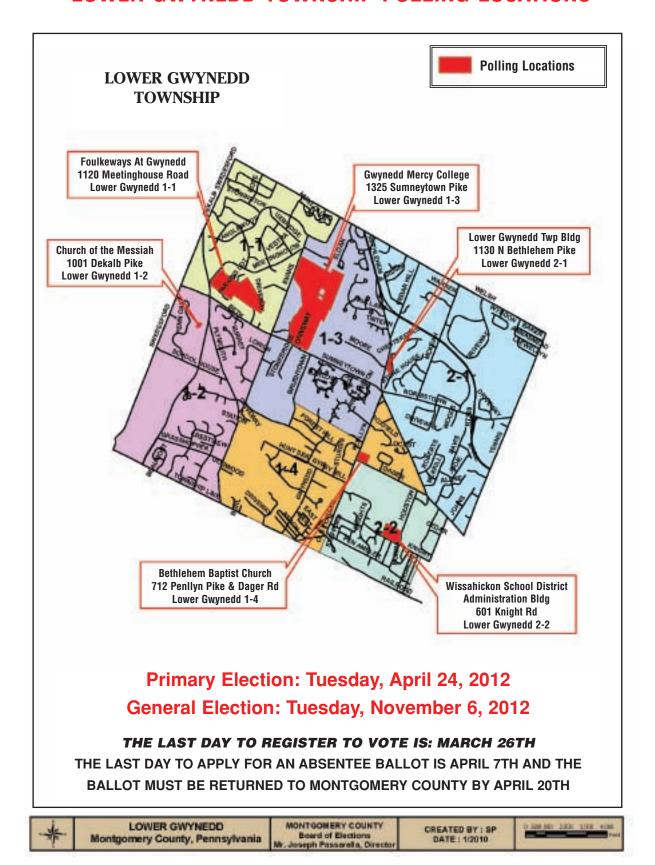
Allow Townships to increase their advertising visibility and access by permitting legal ads on the web or in mass circulation, community papers. This would provide other options beside general-circulation newspapers, where advertising costs are rising and readership declining.

David M. Sanko, Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors Executive Director has said "We are close to getting these reforms passed." Sanko says "Bills have been introduced, however, if we do nothing we'll get nothing. We all have to heed a call for action."





#### LOWER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP POLLING LOCATIONS



# **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Beside the swearing-in of two-re-elected Supervisors at the Annual Organization Meeting held on January 3, 2012. Edward J. Brandt and Kathleen Hunsicker were re-elected Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively. Mr. Brandt thanked Board members for their continued confidence and support and stated he was looking forward to working with his fellow Supervisors in 2012. The Chairman announced Committee assignments for Board members, which remained unchanged from 2011.

The Chairman also announced his priorities for 2012 which were approved by the entire Board:

- Continue to manage the fiscal affairs of the Township in a conservative manner.
- Seek State and/or Federal assistance to complete Phase III of the Bethlehem Pike Improvement Project.
- Work on an overlay Residential Zoning District with the Bethlehem Pike Improvement Committee.
- Develop a plan to utilize the Ingersol House.
- Continue to work with Friends Meeting & Foulkeways to complete a lease agreement for land for a Fire and Ambulance Sub-station at Meetinghouse Road.
- Complete update for the Township's website to provide more information to our citizens regarding all aspects of Township government.





Kathleen Hunsicker and Stephen Paccione are sworn in by Judge John Murray. Holding the Bible for Mr. Paccione is his son C.J.

- Continue to work with the County and Whitpain Township on completion of the connection of the two municipal trail systems.
- Incorporate the newly purchased property at 1029 N. Bethlehem Pike into Veterans Memorial Park.

#### MERCK PRESENTATION

of Supervisors presented Merck with a Community Service Award for their dam and bridge restoration along the Treweryn Trail. Accepting the Award from Township Manager, Larry Comunale is Ray Stupienski, Merck Project Manager.







# COMMUNITY AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION OF AMBLER CHECK PRESENTATION

On October 25, 2011 Scott Welker, Director of the Community Ambulance Association of Ambler accepts a check in the amount of \$15,000 on CAAA's behalf. Pictured from left to right are Mark Grey and Dr. J. Richard Booth, Township Supervisors; Scott Welker, Executive Director of the Community Ambulance Association of Ambler, Larry Comunale, Township Manager and Chairman, Edward Brandt.

# **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

#### SIGNIFICANCE OF VETERANS MEMORIAL SCULPTURE

n 2006, local sculptor Karen Kieser was selected by the Township's Veterans ⚠ Memorial Committee to design a sculpture to pay tribute to the men and women who have protected our nation and defended democracy over the past 236 years. Ms. Kieser created a 7-foot high metal sculpture, the "Wreath of Honor" which is the focal point of the Township's Veterans Memorial Park located at the intersection of Bethlehem and Penllyn Pikes in Spring House. The sculpture at Veterans Memorial Park was dedicated on May 29, 2006.

The Wreath of Honor is made up of polished brass, folded aluminum and copper with glass enamel. The aluminum arms reach skyward to represent our enduring commitment to defend democracy; the flame is the traditional symbol to honor our fallen soldiers. The circular format of the design symbolizes our endless gratitude to those who serve or have served. The lighted sculpture sits on a stone work base with plates for each of the Country's services represented.

The sculpture cost \$31,500. It was paid for by the generous donations of residents of Lower Gwynedd and from residents and the families who served in our armed services.



# PARKS AND RECREATION



# BUS TOURS & TRIPS DATE: Saturday, June 2, 2012 • DEPARTURE TIME: 8:00 A.M. DEPARTURE LOCATION: Upper Gwynedd Township Buildin

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#### **EVITA**

Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber's landmark Tony Award®-winning musical returns to Broadway for the first time ever starring Grammy® Award winner Ricky Martin, Olivier Award winner Elena

Roger and Tony Award winner Michael Cerveris. Eva Perón used her beauty and charisma to rise meteorically from the slums of Argentina to the presidential mansion as First Lady. She won international acclaim and adoration from her own people as a champion of the poor, while glamour, power and greed made her the world's first major political celebrity. Evita tells Eva's passionate and unforgettable story and features some of the theater's best-loved songs, including "Don't Cry for Me Argentina," "Another Suitcase in Another Hall" and "High Flying Adored,"together with "You Must Love Me," the Oscar®- winning hit from the film Evita.

**Seating: Front Mezzanine seats** Cost: \$165 per person

#### **NICE WORK IF YOU CAN GET IT**

Tf you like classic theatre you love Nice Work If You Car Get It starring three time Tony nominee Kelli O'F ara and Tony winner Mat hew Broderick. Overnowing with 15 great songs, including " ut No For Me," 'Let's Can the Whole Thing Ciff, I've Cona Crush on You" and "So neone to Watch Over Me," this brand-new Gershwin musical comedy combines laughter, romance and high-stepping musical magic. Set in the 1920s, the show follows Billie Bendix (O'Hara), a tough-as-nails bootlegger who meets wealthy playboy Jimmy Winter (Broderick) on the weekend of his nuptials. Mayhem ensues.

> Seating: Orchestra Cost: \$145 per person



#### **GHOST**

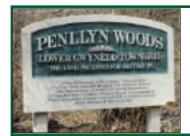
The new musical based on the popular I film of the same name arrives on Broadway. Ghost follows a young couple, Sam and Molly, who get mugged while walking home to their New York apartment one night. Sam is murdered and becomes trapped in this world as a ghost, unable to leave Molly, who he learns is in grave danger. With the help of a phony storefront psychic, Oda Mae Brown, Sam tries to communicate with Molly in the hope of saving and protecting her. The show will feature music and lyrics by Dave Stewart of the Eurythmics fame and Glen Ballard. Bruce Joel Rubin is adapting his Oscar-winning screenplay for the stage as well as writing lyrics.

Seating: Orchestra Cost: \$129 per person

#### **DISCOUNTED SKI & AMUSEMENT PARK TICKETS**

The Township offers discounted tickets for ski lift tickets and amusement park tickets. Discounted Amusement Park Tickets are on sale from the end of May until the end of August. Ski Tickets sales are from December until the end of March. Discount Coupons of the coupons of th

for Camelback, Camelbeach, and Shawnee Mountain are available at the Township Building; all other tickets can be purchased at the Township Building between the hours of, 8 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. A full listing of the tickets can be found on the Township Website: www.lowergwynedd.org



# PENLLYN WOODS COMMUNITY BUILDING

Reservations are being taking for the 2012 calendar year. If you have an upcoming birthday party, wedding shower, baby shower or family gathering how about considering the Penllyn Woods Community Building. Contact Sandi Feight, Recreation Director for the room's availability 215-646-5302.



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# PENLLYN PIKE CONNECTOR TRAIL NEARING COMPLETION

Many improvements have been completed on the Penllyn Pike Trail over the past few months to improve safety, enhance an existing park and connect to the County's Green Ribbon Trail. In December 2011, two major components of the trail project were concluded: 1) the demolition of the building at 1029 N. Bethlehem Pike and 2) the installation of a walking bridge along Penllyn Pike near the Ingersol Park.

The demolition of 1029 N. Bethlehem Pike opened up the parcel at the Bethlehem Pike and Penllyn Pike intersection. The building was being used as a financial consulting business up



Recent bridge installation for Penllyn Trail over Penllyn Creek.

until the building was demolished. The Township acquired the building to enhance the Veteran's Memorial Park by adding parking and open space to the parcel. In addition, the entire park parcel will act as the trail head for users of the Green Ribbon Trail. The future improvements will expand Veteran's Memorial Park, and will include a flag array and a holiday tree.

On December 15, 2011, you may have been stuck behind a truck carrying a 38' bridge that was set in-place along Penllyn Pike near the Ingersol Park and Georgetown Condominium properties. The bridge protects walkers and bikers using the trail along this section where previously pedestrians and bikers were forced onto the narrow shoulder to cross at the intersection. The Board of Supervisors would like to extend their gratitude to the two property owners where this bridge sits in front of the path for their cooperation with this project.

The third portion of the Penllyn Pike connector project will be to stripe along Old Penllyn Pike and create a safe passage through the sewer easement off Old Penllyn Pike to access the green Ribbon Trail.

This entire project is being made possible through an Open Space Grant Program by the Montgomery County Planning Commission. 80% of the cost of this project will be reimbursed through this Green Fields/Green Towns Grant.



#### **Line Dancing**

Come join us for some fun while we learn new dance steps to Hip Hop, Funk and classic oldies. Line



dance is here to stay so come on out and be a part of the new dance craze.

**Dates:** Thursday Evenings (except for Holidays)

**Time:** 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Location: Penllyn Woods Community Building

Cost: \$8 per person per night

# January V.

#### **Learn How to Knit**

If you are an experienced knitter, or just a beginner and wish to learn how to knit. If you have a knitting question, or need help with a pattern. Those interested in

Crocheting are also welcome to come and join this group. This is a very informal group who meets at the

Penllyn Woods Community Building once a week.

**Dates:** Thursday Afternoons (except for Holidays)

**Time:** 1 - 3 p.m.

**Location:** Penllyn Woods Community Building

Cost: Free

#### **Trail Dusters**

Join us as we explore a new trail each week. Meeting locations with trail details will be provided upon registering for the program.

**Dates:** Tuesdays & Thursdays, April 24 through June 21

**Time:** 6:30-7:30 p.m. **Location:** Varies each week,

participants will

receive a list of walking

locations upon registering for the

program

Cost: \$5 per participant



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#### Trail Clean Up Day

Township residents, high school students, and service clubs are all encouraged to pre-register to volunteer in helping us clean up some



of the trails. The cleanup will focus on collecting trash and maintaining the beauty of the Township's extensive trail system. For further information please call the Parks & Recreation

Department

**Date:** Saturday April 28 (raindate of Sunday April 29)

**Location:** Township Building Parking Lot

**Time:** 9 a.m.

#### **Petite Soccer**

Participants between the ages of 3-6 will be introduced to soccer using soccer related fun activities and games. Participants are required to have shin guards.

**Ages:** 3-5 years

**Date:** Saturdays April 14 – May 19

 Session 1:
 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

 Session 2:
 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

 Location:
 Penllyn Woods

 Cost:
 \$96 per participant







#### Mad Science

#### **Crazy Chemworks**

Join us for 6 Weeks of Super Radical Reactions in the Mad Science Lab experimenting with Crazy Chemworks!!! Hop on board the Chemistry Express for a high-speed Science Experience. Classes

are filled with experiments that ooze, smoke and even bubbling potions that mystify your minds! Children will investigate Smoking Potions, Radical Laboratories and So Much More!! Come and get "Slimed!" with your friends this Winter!! Register Early so you don't miss out.

**Dates:** Thursday beginning April 12 – May 17

Time: 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Ages: Kindergarten – 5th Grade

**Location:** Penllyn Woods Community Building

**Cost:** \$94 per participant

Minimum of 12 participants for the program to run

#### **Mad Machines & Jr. Engineers**

Whether your child loves to build things or destroy them, this week of camp includes lots of both! The junior Mad Science engineers will design and build Bridges and "Skyscrapers" and even construct a Geodesic Dome big enough for all the campers to sit inside! Then the machine madness starts... This journey will include many different machines, simple & complex, we use in our daily lives. Campers will have fun building their very own Catapults, Sonic Race Car and much more to take home from this Awesome Camp! Catapult your kids to New Heights!!

**Date:** Monday July 16 – Friday July 20

**Time:** 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 a.m.

**Ages:** 5-8 years

**Location:** Penllyn Woods Community Building

Cost: \$155 per participant

#### **Space: The Final Frontier!**

Throughout the week, brave young astronauts will explore the mysteries of the scientists study the planets and stars and what kinds of tools are used for space exploration. Children will discover how astronauts live and work once they are in Space. They will learn about gravity, propulsion and the basics of rocket science through fun, hands-on activities. Most importantly, they will learn first hand about the aerodynamic properties of flying machines by building their own Estes® model rockets! Once the rockets are completed, children will blast off on a real Mad Science space mission with the grand finale, Live Rocket Launches! This Camp is out of this World!

**Date:** Monday August 13 – Friday August 17

**Time:** 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 a.m.

**Ages:** 5-10 years

**Location:** Penllyn Woods Community Building

**Cost:** \$155 per participant



#### **APP Inventor for Kids**

You will learn how to make apps for your Android phone. What kind of app do you want to create? Entertainment? Education? Sports? Fashion? Science? Will your App make it to the App Hall of Fame? You do not have to own an Android phone to do this class.

**Date:** July 9 – 13 **Time:** 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. **Age:** 9-12 years

**Location:** Penllyn Woods Community Building

**Cost:** \$149 per person

#### **BEGINNING ROBOTICS**

Participants will teach "Roamer" the robot to follow their instructions. Can we make Roamer go 6 steps forward and turn left? Can we make it draw the outline of a house by the movements we program it to make? Can we

get Roamer to go from Pennsylvania to Arizona on a map?

**Date:** July 23-27 **Time:** 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

**Age:** 5-7 years

**Location:** Penllyn Woods Community Building

**Cost:** \$119 per person



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# FUN-GINEERING... Building Motorized Models with Legos

Participants will have fun and success building a race car, an amusement park ride, a tractor, a drawbridge, and other interesting models. Participants will learn about gears, levers and pulleys to become Jr. Engineers.

**Date:** August 6 - 10**Time:** 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

**Age:** 6-8 years

**Location:** Penllyn Woods Community Building

Cost: \$119 per person

#### **Cooking Programs**

Presented by: Kathy Wolper of KITCHEN WIZARDS

#### **Brunch Food**

Planning a brunch and need some simple ideas on what to serve? Join us for this one night program and learn some new simple recipes which will make your next brunch less stressful.

Date: Wednesday April 4
Ages: Adults
Time: 6:30 -8:30 p.m.

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**Location:** Penllyn Woods Community

Building

**Cost:** \$35 per person

#### **Healthy Hors D'Oeuvres & Dips**

Have a gathering planned and need some healthy choices instead of the old standby? Join us for this 3 evening class and learn how to make delicious and simple hors d'oeuvres that are healthy.

**Date:** Tuesdays April 10, 17 and 24

**Ages:** Adult **Time:** 6:30 -8:30 p.m.

Location: Penllyn Woods Community Building

Cost: \$85 per person

#### **Eat Like the Pros**

Ever wonder what your favorite players eat to help them stay fit and healthy?

This program will teach your children some new and fun recipes that will help them eat healthier.

**Date:** Monday – Thursday August 13 - 16

**Ages:** 9-14 years

**Time:** 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Location:** Penllyn Woods Community Building

**Cost:** \$ 99 per person plus a material fee of \$55, can be paid at

the time of registration or at the first day of the

program.

#### **Cooking Around the World**

This fun program will all your child to create and eat dishes from the around the world each day. Cuisines will be featured from: Italy, Mexico, France and the last day will highlight dishes from different regions of the USA.

**Date:** Monday – Thursday August 13-16

Ages: 11-15 years

**Time:** 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Location:** Penllyn Woods Community Building

**Cost:** \$ 99 per person plus a material fee of \$55, can be paid at

the time of registration or at the first day of the

program.



#### **Multi-Sport Camp**

This is the ultimate camp experience where your child has the opportunity to play over 15 different sports from around the world in just one week! All sports incorporated into the Multi Sports program allow children to develop coordination, accuracy, body control, and timing. Inclusive activities, variety and enjoyment stand as the key attributes of the USSI Multi Sports camp ensuring the promotion of healthy lifestyle from an early age. Sports range from the traditional American pastimes of flag football, baseball and basketball to more diverse sports such as cricket, handball and disc golf. Children will also experience USSI's exciting world cup competition as well as participating in many other activities and games.

**Date:** Monday – Friday August 20 –24

Age: 6-14 years

**Time / Cost:** Full Day: 9 a.m. -4 p.m.  $\sim $179$ 

**Morning:** 9 a.m. -12:30 p.m. ~ \$149 **Afternoon:** 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. ~ \$119

**Location:** Penllyn Woods

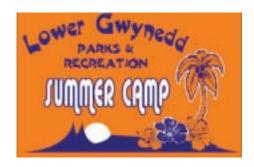
#### **Sport Squirts**

The squirts program introduces your child to a variety of games and activities including: lacrosse, soccer, basketball, t-ball, hockey and parachute games.

**Date:** Monday – Friday August 20-24

**Ages:** 3-5 years

Time: 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Cost: \$79 per participant
Location: Penllyn Woods



#### 2012 Summer Camp Registration

Summer Camp program will be held at the Wissahickon Middle School with use of the Pool. The Parks & Recreation is offering a Discount registration Period. 2012 Summer Camp will take place from June 18th until July 27th . For further information regarding the camp please call the Township Building, registration forms can be downloaded off the Township Website www.lowergwynedd.org

**Dates:** June 18- July 27 **Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Post Camp: 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (additional cost) \$330 per child

**Location:** Wissahickon Middle School **Daily Swimming:** Wissahickon Middle School

**Ages:** 6 (or completed Kindergarten) – 12 years

#### Early Registration Discount Period

Register between Monday March 19 –Friday April 27 and save \$10. Registrations received after April 27 will be charged the full price of camp.

\$ 520 first resident child

\$460 for each additional resident child

\$600 first non-resident child

\$570 for each additional non-resident child

#### Weekly rates for 2012

\$175 first resident child

\$155 for each additional resident child

\$240 first non-resident child

\$200 for each additional non-resident child

All Registrations must be post marked or dropped off by Wednesday May 23 any registrations received after a \$50 Late Fee will be charged.



#### **Summer Concerts at Oxford Park**

Lower Gwynedd Township Parks & Recreation Department is proud the 2012 Summer Concert Series. Wednesdays Evenings beginning June, 22 7:00 p.m. at Oxford Park

July 11Mango MenJuly 18Wissahickon Pops

July 25 Melissa Martin and the Mighty

Rhythm Kings

August 1 Steve Pullara and His Cool

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# Save the Date Countrie Picnic 2012

September 22, 2012 At Penllyn Woods If you are interested in: Vendor Space

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Or have general questions you can visit the Township Website or use our QR Code which will take you immediately to the Picnic Information page. www.lowergwynedd.org or call the Township Building at 215-646-5302

#### **Easter Egg Hunt**

Date: Saturday March 31 Rain date Sunday April 1 Location: Penllyn Woods Time: 10 a.m. –Noon

Participants must bring their own baskets





#### **Spring Tennis**

#### **KIDDIE TENNIS** Ages 3-6 yrs

Children with limited or no experience. Fundamentals of strokes, grips and footwork are covered.

Dates: Saturdays: April 14 – May 19

(Rain Make Up June 2 & 9)

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. – 11 a.m.

**Ages:** 3-6 years **Location:** Penllyn Park

**Cost:** \$100



#### JUNIOR TENNIS ages 7-9 years

Beginner to advanced beginner. Establishing a sound technical foundation of the basic grips, strokes and footwork with an introduction to some competitive



**Dates:** Saturdays: April 14 – May 19

(Rain Make Up June 2 & 9)

**Time:** 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Ages:** 7-9 years **Location:** Penllyn Park

Cost: \$145

#### LEVEL 2 TENNIS ages 10-13 yrs

All strokes, spins and basic strategy are covered. Students in this class are capable of rallying, but their serve may need improvement and they have not had true match experience.

**Dates:** Saturdays: April 14 – May 19

(Rain Make Up June 2 & 9)

**Time:** 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Ages:** 10-13 years **Location:** Penllyn Park

**Cost:** \$145



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#### **Bottle Avatars**

Come join the Wissahickon Valley Public Library along with students from Wissahickon High School as you learn how to recycle bottle and create cool and amazing things.

Ages: 8 and older

Tuesdays April 3, 10, 17 Dates:

and 24

Time: 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Penllyn Woods **Location:** 

Community Building Cost: Free Sponsored by the

Wissahickon Valley Public

Library



Morning and Night, Rhythm and Rhyme

Wednesdays June 20 - August 8 Date:

(No Class July 4)

Preschooler Ages: Time: 10:30 a.m.

Penllyn Woods Community **Location:** 

Building

Cost: Free Sponsored by Wissahickon

Valley Public Library



#### Tech O&A

Come get help with your mobile devices. We can help you with:

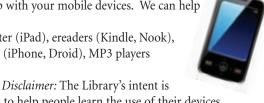
Tablet computer (iPad), ereaders (Kindle, Nook), Smart Phones (iPhone, Droid), MP3 players (iPod).

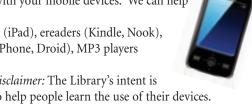
> to help people learn the use of their devices. The library does not assume responsibility for devices that are not working properly and can't fix devices.

Wednesday May 23 Time: 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Location: Lower Gwynedd Township Building Free Sponsored by the Wissahickon

Public Library









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## Paper Shredding, E-Cycle Day & Prescription Drug Collection Day

Saturday, April 21, 2012

#### **Lower Gwynedd Township Building Parking Lot**

The Lower Gwynedd Township Board of Supervisors will again be sponsoring a paper shredding and electronic recycling event on Saturday, April 21, 2012.

It is that time of year again to clean-out your desks and attics from built-up clutter and bring us your cancelled checks, personal files, banking records, credit & ID cards, old invoices, billing statements, tax records and any other sensitive material for secure destruction of confidential material. The paper shredding truck will be available from 8:00 AM to 12 Noon.

In addition to the paper shredding, residents of Lower Gwynedd Township can recycle any old or unwanted electronics (CPU's, TV's monitors, printers, faxes, stereos, cell phones) at the township building from 8:00 AM to 12 Noon. Lower Gwynedd Township residents have

been successful in removing electronics from the trash stream from this event for the past several years. Please note: appliances, microwaves, fluorescent light bulbs, hazardous waste and tires will not be accepted at this event.

These events are offered free of charge to Lower Gwynedd Township residents only - this service is not available to businesses and/or non-residents. Proper identification is required.

In addition, the Lower Gwynedd Police Department will be collecting unwanted drugs for disposal in cooperation with the U.S. DEP.



#### **Montgomery County Collection Dates**

**Household Hazardous Waste:** June 23, 2012- Temple Ambler 9:00AM – 3:00PM **Electronics Collection:** June 30, 2012- Wissahickon High School 9:00AM – 3:00PM



# STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Next time you are taking care of your yard, remember: It's imprtant for all of us to make it a point to keep our storm drains clean and clear. You see, they're meant to carry rain water away and help water flow easilty from your hom duraing a heavy rainfall. The water that runs into and through the storm drian system is not treated. It goes straight to our waterways, and ultimately to the lakes, rivers, streams and creeks.

Don't blow it - bag or compost your leaves or grass clippings. And please don't put anything - garbage, motor oil, paint doggie doo

or what-have-you - down the storm drain. Because it could wind up as 'ewww' on you.

For any Questions or Concerns regarding Stormwater or to Report Illicit Discharges to the Storm Sewer System, Please Call the Township at (215) 646-5302. For more Stormwater information, please visit the Township website at www.lowergwynedd.org/information/stormwater.aspx







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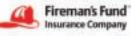


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