

February 19, 2021

Snow Cleanup Winding Down

Public Works crews are continuing with the cleanup from the latest storm in our wintry February. Thank you for your cooperation with the snow removal. Please remember to clear snow from any fire hydrants near your home.



Communications Survey Closes Today

The Township's communications survey closes today but there is still time to provide your input. Survey results will be used to help the Township maximize its efforts to keep the community informed. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey.

Click here to complete the survey

Police Department Warns Of Scams Targeting The Elderly

The Lower Gwynedd Police Department and many other jurisdictions within the surrounding counties are investigating reports of theft and fraud in the form of telephone "scams" targeting elderly victims. These schemes are all unique, but typically share the same basic structure.

The victim will receive a phone call from someone pretending to be their grandchild, a loved one, a financial institution, utility company, or a government entity. The "scammer" will then create a complex scenario in which the victim will need to provide payment fast and it will be of the upmost importance. They will attempt to have the victim pay them by directing them to wire money, use a peer-to-peer transfer system such as Zelle, purchase/load money onto gift cards, and even will come to pick up cash in-person.

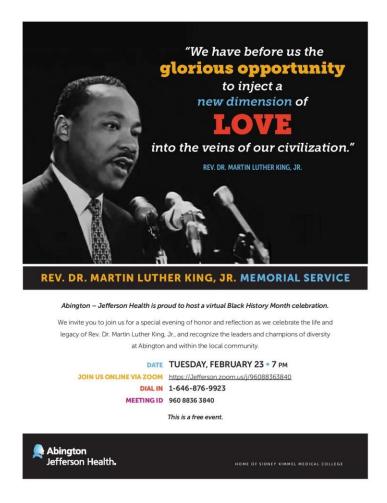
These scams are constantly evolving and can be well designed into sounding believable. Sometimes the "scammers" will have basic information about their victim including names and addresses.

If you or a loved one ever receives a call of this type, the best course of action is to hang up immediately. Call a loved one or someone you trust and discuss the phone call before doing anything.

Have these discussions with your elderly or vulnerable family members and help keep them from falling victim to a scam. If you have any questions or if the department can be of any assistance, please call 215-646-5303.

Virtual Black History Month Event On February 23

Abington-Jefferson Health is hosting a free, <u>special evening of honor and reflection on February</u> 23 to celebrate the life and legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and recognize the leaders and champions of diversity at Abington and within the local community.



Virtual Program Addresses Identifying Poor Lifestyle Choices

Family Services of Montgomery County will host a free webinar on March 2 featuring Lower Gwynedd Police Officer Beth J. Sanborn discussing indicators of poor lifestyles choices by children and skills to identify a crisis before it occurs.

The program, "Hidden, High & Hammered," takes a "mock teen bedroom" to a new level.

Click here for more information

HIDDEN, HIGH, & HAMMERED

Hidden, High, & Hammered takes the old "Mock Teen Bedroom" to an entirely new level.

In this virtual program, you will learn indicators of poor lifestyle choices and develop skills to help identify a child before a crisis occurs.

A live Q&A with Dr. Sanborn will follow.





Featuring

- Stash devices meant to confuse and conceal
- Vape devices, paraphernalia, CBD products, and the evolution of marijuana
- Alcoholic items with deceptive advertising

FREE Zoom Webinar!

Tuesday, March 2, 2021 7 p.m.

https://us02web.zoom.us/ j/87022531083

Beth J. Sanborn joined the Lower Gwynedd Police Department in 1997. Since then, she has served as a Field Training Officer, Officer in Charge (OIC), and currently serves as a School Resource Officer assigned to the Wissahickon School District. Since 2015, she assumed responsibility for all juvenile cases, earning her the title of Juvenile Detective.

She actively volunteers with the Montgomery County Office of Children and Youth and Mission Kids Child Advocacy Center. Beth sits on the executive board of the Pennsylvania Association of School Resource Officers (PASRO), is an instructor for the National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO), and is a Director and Policy Fellow for the International Center for Law Enforcement Studies.



For more information, contact Liz Snodgrass at esnodgrass@fsmontco.org or 610-630-2111 ext. 264.



Coronavirus Resources

Montgomery County COVID vaccination registration

Lower Gwynedd Township coronavirus page

Montgomery County coronavirus hub

Pennsylvania Department of Health

CDC

Getting 'Back to Normal' is Going to Take All of Our Tools

- Get vaccinated.
- Wear a mask.
- Wash hands often.
- Stay 6 feet from others, and avoid crowds.





