



East Norriton Township

Issues

Spring/Summer 2012

The New Board of Supervisors in East Norriton Township



Pictured above, from left: Marc A. Alfarano, Supervisor; Harris A. Dainoff, Vice-Chairman; John A. Zurzola, Chairman; Tina Howell, Supervisor; and Donald J. Gracia, Supervisor.



Pictured to the right are newly elected Township Supervisors Marc A. Alfarano and Tina Howell at their swearing-in ceremony on January 3rd, 2012.

Holiday Parade Proceeds Given to Montco SAAC



Proceeds from the 19th Annual Holiday Parade were presented to Montco SAAC in the amount of \$6,500. Pictured from left to right: Larry Brown, East Norriton Township Assistant Township Manager, Carrie Stewart, Parade Coordinator, Linda Collins, Montco SAAC Executive Director, Kimberly Tornetta Attanasio, Vice President of Hillcrest Plaza Shopping Center, Larry Reed, Montco SAAC Site Manager.

Newly Elected Auditors



Pictured above are newly elected auditors Nancy Kolenda and Kevin Tickner. Mrs. Kolenda and Mr. Tickner were sworn-in as Township elected auditors at the Township Reorganization meeting on January 3rd, 2012.

Jim Serratore and Kandy Heckman Recognized During the December Board of Supervisors Meeting



Vice Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Donald Gracia presents Jim Serratore with Resolution 2570 Dedicated Public Official for his six years of service as a member of the East Norriton Township Board of Supervisors from 2006-2011 at the East Norriton Township Board of Supervisors meeting Tuesday December 13th, 2011.



Vice-Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Donald Gracia presents Kandy Heckman with Resolution 2751 Dedicated Public Official for her six years as a member with two of those years as Chairwoman of the East Norriton Township Board of Supervisors from 2006-2011 at the East Norriton Township Board of Supervisors meeting on December 13th, 2011.

2012 EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman: John A. Zurzola
Vice-Chairman: Harris A. Dainoff
Supervisors:
 Marc A. Alfarano
 Donald J. Gracia
 Tina Howell

**Township Manager/
 Treasurer and Secretary:**
 Donald D. Delamater

**Assistant Township Manager/
 Director of Parks & Recreation:**
 Larry L. Brown

**Police Chief/
 Director of Public Safety:**
 Karyl Kates

**Director of Code Enforcement/
 Zoning Officer:**
 Bryan Bortnichak

Public Works Director:
 Douglas Jones

Building Inspector:
 Code Inspections, Inc.

Emergency Management Coordinator:

Police Sgt. David Boyer

Fire Marshal:

Frank Ludwig

Finance Director:

Eric Traub

Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation:

Jane C. Delaney

Code Enforcement Officers:

John Altomari

Joseph Perkins

Fire Chief:

James Staufenberg

Consulting Engineers:

Christopher Fazio, P.E.

Kenneth Heydt, P.E.

Township Solicitor:

Sean Kilkenny, Esq.

Township Planner:

Richard Cramer, PP, AICP

Township Actuary:

Conrad M. Siegel Inc.

2012 TOWNSHIP MEETING DATES AND TIMES

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS – 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. (Except April 17th, September 18th, November 13th and December 11th)

ZONING HEARING BOARD – Second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. (Except November 20th and December 18th)

PLANNING COMMISSION – Third Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. (Except November 14th)

HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMISSION
 Fourth Monday every other month (Jan. to Nov.) at 6:30 p.m. (Except May meeting will be June 4th)

All meetings are held at the Municipal Building,
 2501 Stanbridge Street, East Norriton, PA 19401-1616 USA

Watch the web site for upcoming information:

WEB SITE: EASTNORRITONTWP.ORG

Meeting dates and times are subject to change. Please contact the Township Administration Building for exact times and dates.
610-275-2800

Persons with a disability who wish to attend any of the above meetings and require an auxiliary aid, service or other accommodation to participate in the meeting, please contact East Norriton Township's ADA Coordinator at 610-275-2800.

Retired Township Employees Honored



Jean Morrison receives a Proclamation as an Honored East Norriton Township Employee from Vice-Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, Harris Dainoff, on her retirement from the East Norriton Township Police Department after nearly 26 years of service at the East Norriton Township Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday February 28th, 2012. Jean retired from the Department on January 21st to take a position with the Montgomery County Detectives.



Pictured above is Raymond Archambault receiving a Proclamation as an Honored East Norriton Township Employee from Township Manager Donald Delamater on his retirement from East Norriton Township on February 1st, 2012. Ray worked for the East Norriton Township Finance Department for over 30 years, starting as a bookkeeper and working his way to Senior Account Clerk.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT'S 2012 RABIES CLINIC

DATE	PLACE	TIME
June 2	Abington Recycling Center Florey Ln. (off of Easton Rd.) Abington	9 AM - 11 AM
June 9	Collegeville Community Park 4th & Park Ave., Collegeville	9 AM - 11 AM
June 16	Encore Experiences <i>Formerly Harleysville Senior Center</i> 312 Alumni Ave., Harleysville (off of Main St.)	9 AM - 11 AM
June 23	Burnside Oakland Park Burnside Ave. & Oakland Rd. West Norriton	9 AM - 11 AM

DOGS, CATS AND FERRETS MUST BE LEASHED OR IN AN APPROVED CARRIER

\$10.00/Shot • 3-Year Shot

SIGN-UP FOR E-NEWSLETTERS & IMPORTANT INFORMATION

East Norriton Township is continuing to take an e-mail list for residents who would like to receive their township newsletters and other important township information sent via e-mail.

By signing up for this service, you will receive the three newsletters each year plus reminders about upcoming special events such as Community Day, Christmas Parade, the Easter Egg Hunt, as well as, important information on upcoming road work, road closures, important township meetings, and other important information that affects the residents of East Norriton Township.

To be included in this list please e-mail the following information to info@eastnorritontwp.org. Once you are signed up for this list and go paperless, you will be removed from our regular mailing list saving tax dollars and impacting our environment.

Newsletter E-Mail List

Name _____

Address _____

Phone number _____

E-mail address _____



2012 Montgomery County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL MONTGOMERY COUNTY RECYCLING HOTLINE 610.278.3618 OR VISIT (www.montgomerycountyclecyls.org)

Pottsgrove High School
Saturday, March 24, 2012
1345 Kouffman Rd.
Pottstown, PA 19464
Lower Pottsgrove Township
9AM - 3PM

North Penn High School
Saturday, April 7, 2012
1340 Valley Forge Rd.
Lansdale, PA 19446
Towamencin Township
9AM - 3PM

Upper Merion Middle School
Saturday, May 12, 2012
Enter near 435 Crossfield Rd.
King Of Prussia, PA 19406
Upper Merion Township
9AM - 3PM

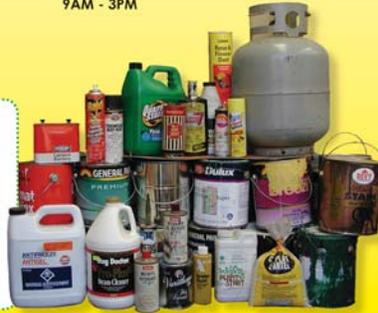
Temple University – Ambler Campus
Saturday, June 23, 2012
Enter near 1431 E. Butler Pike
Ambler, PA 19002
Upper Dublin Township
9AM - 3PM

Abington Junior High School
Friday, August 17, 2012
Enter via Tyler Rd.
970 Highland Ave.
Abington, PA 19001
Abington Township
9AM - 3PM

Lower Merion Public Works
Saturday, October 20, 2012
1300 N. Woodbine Ave.
Penn Valley, PA 19072
Lower Merion Township
9AM - 3PM



- This program is a community service to the residents of Montgomery County and the 4 Southeastern Pennsylvania County Regions (Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Philadelphia) ONLY and is NOT open to businesses, institutions and industry.
- All collection events will accept HHW (Household Hazardous Waste) ONLY.
- All collection events will be held from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM.



Montgomery County Board of Commissioners: Joshua D. Shapiro, Chair; Leslie S. Richards, Vice Chair; Bruce I. Castor, Jr., Commissioner

Spring Leaf Collection

In compliance with state regulations, East Norriton Township will provide leaf collection services again this spring.

These collections will be performed during the 2-week period between April 23rd and May 4th.

Unlike the fall leaf collection program, this is a modified collection schedule and will be bag collection only (**bio-degradable paper bags only**). All bagged leaves must be placed at the curb along your property. In addition, the spring leaf collection program will be a **CALL-IN-SERVICE ONLY!** You must call the Township offices at (610) 275-2800 ext.111 to schedule a pick-up. All calls must be received by Wednesday, May 2nd.

Please be aware that only raked leaves should be placed in bio-degradable bags. Any bags containing cut-up/mulched leaves, limbs, brush, grass clippings or other debris will not be collected. **This is separate from the Yard Waste Recycling Program.** Please refer to the Yard Waste Recycling Program article below for details about that program.

Yard Waste Recycling

Below is a list of program reminders. Your efforts in adhering to these guidelines are greatly appreciated and will ensure timely collection of your materials.

- Collections are made on the **3rd Thursday of each month.** Please make sure you check your calendar for the dates.
- **This is a scheduled service.** Residents must call the Township at 610-275-2800 x111 **at least 7 days in advance** to schedule collection.
- **Includes:** shrubbery, branches, limbs & garden residue.
- **Not included:** stumps, weeds, grass or leaves.
- **Placement:** within 5 ft. of curb (not in the street). Please do not block sidewalks.
- **Limits:** bundles – max 2 ft. dia. and/or 40 lbs.; individual branches – max 5 in. dia.
- **Quantity limits:** 2 cubic yards per property (approx. ten 32-gallon cans or six bundles).
- **Bundles:** smaller branches must be bundled. Bundled branches should be at least 3 ft. long. Smaller branches and twigs must be placed in cans.
- **Large Branches:** Larger branches (8-10ft. long) do not have to be bundled. Larger branches feed easily into chipper. No need to cut up. Just place cut end towards the street.
- **DO NOT:** use plastic bags, heavy rope or wire (string or twine only) or bundle small branches/twigs (less than 2 ft. long) as all of these practices “jam” the chipper and will not be collected.

Please contact the Township with questions regarding this program or any other Township services.



2012 Montgomery County Electronics Collection Program

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL MONTGOMERY COUNTY RECYCLING HOTLINE 610.278.3618 OR VISIT (www.montgomerycountyclecyls.org)

Philadelphia Premium Outlets
Saturday, March 17, 2012
18 West Lightcap Rd. • Limerick, PA 19464
Limerick Township - (Route 422 @ Sanatoga Exit)
Free Outlets VIP Coupon Book. \$5.00 value to each attendee) 9AM - 3PM

Indian Valley Middle School
Saturday, April 21, 2012
130 Maple Ave. • Hartleysville, PA 19438
Lower Salford Township
(Collaboration with Souderton High School S.A.V.E.)
9AM - 3PM

Norristown Area High School
Saturday, May 5, 2012
1900 Eagle Dr. • Norristown, PA 19403
West Norriton Township
(Enter at Corner of Burnside Ave & Eagle Dr.)
9AM - 3PM

Wissahickon High School
Saturday, June 30, 2012
521 Houston Rd. • Ambler, PA 19002
Lower Gwynedd Township
9AM - 3PM

Ursinus College
Friday, July 20, 2012
Enter at Corner of College Ave and E. 9th Ave.
Collegeville, PA 19426 • Collegeville Borough
9AM - 3PM

Upper Perkiomen High School
Friday, August 10, 2012
2 Wall Rd. • Pennsburg, PA 18073
Pennsburg Borough
9AM - 3PM

Springfield Township High School
Saturday, October 27, 2012
1801 E. Paper Mill Rd. • Erdenheim, PA 19038
Springfield Township
9AM - 3PM

Montgomery Mall - America Recycles Day
Thursday, November 15, 2012
230 Montgomery Mall • North Wales, PA 19454
Montgomery Township
Automotive Tires also accepted
9AM - 3PM



- This program is a community service to the residents of Montgomery County and the 4 Southeastern Pennsylvania County Region (Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Philadelphia) ONLY and is NOT open to businesses, institutions and industry
- All collection events will accept ELECTRONICS ONLY.
- All collection events will be held from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM.



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REPORT FROM THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Sewer Bill Update

First quarter sewer bills are mailed on March 31, 2012. This bill is for water consumption for the periods September, October and November 2011. Second quarter sewer bills will be mailed June 30, 2012 and will cover the water consumption period of December 2011, January and February 2012.

Earned Income Taxes

East Norriton Township also levies an Earned Income Tax which is collected by Berkheimer Associates. The final 2011 Earned Income Tax returns were mailed in January 2012 and are due April 15, 2012. A representative from Berkheimer Associates will be available at the East Norriton Township Building to review and discuss any resident's

Earned Income Tax questions and/or concerns on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 from 9-12 noon and 1-4:00 p.m.

For more information about the Earned Income Tax, Business Privilege Tax, and Local Services Tax, please contact Berkheimer Associates at (800) 360-8989.

Again, the Board of Supervisors and staff of East Norriton Township want to thank the residents of this community for diligently paying the taxes which are levied in order to provide the services which this community relies on.

Real Estate Tax Collection

For 2012, East Norriton Township's Real Estate Tax millage rate remained 2.727 mills, while Montgomery County's Real Estate Tax millage rate increased to 3.152 mills. Taxes are based on the assessed value determined by the Montgomery County Board of Assessment. The discount period for property taxes ends on May 1st and the face period ends on July 1st. Taxes can be paid by mail, at the Township building, or at the East Norriton Citizens Bank located at 5 West Germantown Pike. Norristown Area School District property taxes are typically mailed to residents in June and are collected by Berkheimer Associates.

2012 BUDGET

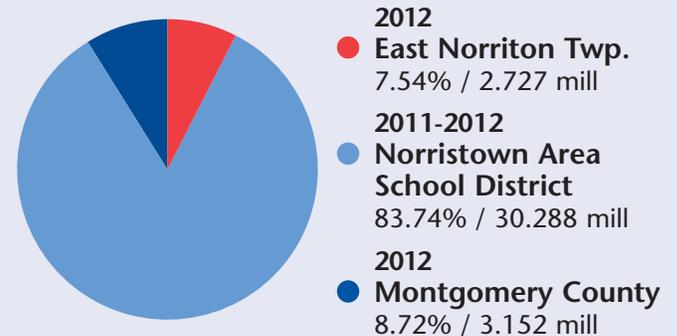
The Board of Supervisors of East Norriton Township adopted an annual budget for the 2012 calendar year on December 13, 2011 during a Regular meeting at the East Norriton Township administrative building. A summary of the 2012 adopted budget is as follows:

General Fund	\$ 7,797,354
Street Lighting Fund	107,600
Fire Protection Fund	555,100
Parks & Recreation Operating Fund	509,932
Parks & Recreation Capital Fund	352,620
Sewer Revenue Fund	2,985,820
Bond Improvement	150,000
Sanitary Sewer Outfall Fund	1,237,000
Capital Reserve Fund	1,442,000
Highway Aid Fund	368,240
Post Retirement Health Fund	825,200
Police Pension Fund	6,521,529
Employees Pension Fund	3,265,577
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	\$26,117,972

The tax to be levied on all real property within the Township subject to taxation for the fiscal year 2012 is 2.727 mills on each dollar of assessed valuation. **Also, please note that the Post Retirement Health, Police Pension and Employees Pension Funds are reserves held for future Township liabilities as required by State law and are not current expenditures.**

Please be advised that the adopted budget is available for public inspection during the hours of 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, at the East Norriton Township Administration building.

WHERE YOUR REAL ESTATE TAX DOLLAR GOES



EXAMPLE OF A HOUSE ASSESSMENT FOR TAXES

Township Real Estate Tax	
2.727 mill X \$150,000	\$ 409.05
County Real Estate Tax	
3.152 mill X \$150,000	\$ 472.80
School District Tax	
30.288 mill X \$150,000	\$ 4,543.20
Total Estimated	
Real Estate Taxes for 2012	\$ 5,425.05

School, County, and Township taxes based on the Market Value Assessed Valuation. For information about your School District Real Estate Taxes, you may call Peggy Golden, Norristown Area School District at 610-630-5000. For information about your Local and County Real Estate Taxes, you may contact Eric Traub at 610-275-2800.

East Norriton Historical Advisory Commission Presentation

The East Norriton Township Historical Advisory Commission presented the East Norriton Township Board of Supervisors with two historically preserved deeds from the house at 2421 Arch Road during their monthly meeting on February 28th, 2012. The first deed dated 1763 which predates the United States of America, and the second preserved deed dates 1779 which is the first deed transfer as a part of the United States of America. Additional deeds will be historically preserved each year to save this valuable collection.

Members of the Historical Advisory Commission reviewed, cleaned and catalogued the 23 deeds from this property dating from 1763 to 1904. These deeds were donated by Mr. Anthony James owner of the property from 1991 to 2000. The Historical Advisory Commission reported that deeds were first printed on vellum until 1839, then parchment until 1886 and finally paper through 1904. The Historical Commission also presented some interesting facts about some of the people and their families who resided in this house.



Pictured from left Chairman Board of Supervisors John Zurzola, Historical Advisory Commission members, Nancy Scheetz, Herman Marks, Chairwoman Joan Lenhardt, Diana Cassel and Supervisor and Secretary of Historical Commission Marc Alfarano.

The Commission will be making this part of their presentation at East Norriton Community Day, as well as, part of the Montgomery County History Fair "Now and Then" both in September of this year.

Members of the East Norriton Township Historical Advisory Commission are Joan Lenhardt, Chairwoman; Ed Duffy, Vice Chairman; Supervisor Marc Alfarano; Diana Cassel; Jim Cassel; Herman Marks; Barbara Miller; Nancy Scheetz; and Kevin Tickner.

EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

The East Norriton Township Veterans Memorial Committee has scheduled two events for the upcoming months. The Committee has scheduled a Memorial Day Wreath Laying Ceremony in observance of Memorial Day on Sunday, May 27th at 1 p.m. at the East Norriton Township Veterans Memorial just off Germantown Pike between Old and New Stanbridge Streets and a tattered and worn flag cremation ceremony on Thursday, June 14th, 2012 at the Norris City Cemetery at 11 a.m. Old worn and tattered flags can be dropped off at the East Norriton Township Building, 2501 Stanbridge Street in the box located on the porch of the Township Building prior to June 14th for proper disposal of your flag.

The Veterans Memorial Committee is continuing to sell engraved bricks for the Veterans Memorial. Cost for the brick is \$50 which allows three lines of lettering with 15 spaces on each line. Forms can be picked up at the Township Building or call the Parks and Recreation Office. Over 468 bricks now line the walkway to the Memorial.



2011 Veterans Memorial Day Wreath Laying Ceremony.

Bricks can be purchased to honor a friend or relative who served in the Armed Forces or just to show your support of the Memorial.

EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS



Pictured from left are Sgt. Matt Brannen, Officer Matt Cover, Officer Barry Lopoten, and Officer Joel Homan who were presented with a Certificate of Valor, the highest level of honor awarded in the Police Department, at the East Norriton Township Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday December 13th, 2011. The Officers were presented this award for action involving personal risk of serious bodily injury as a result of a life threatening situation on November 12th, 2011. The Police Officers crawled into a burning apartment to locate a conscious but unresponsive resident and were able to drag him to safety.

Points to Remember:

1. School will soon be closed for the summer, and children will be at play. Use extra caution when driving in neighborhoods and near playgrounds.
2. Summer temperatures are high. Don't leave children and pets in cars unattended.
3. Going on vacation? Consider letting the Police Department know and file a vacation notice. Officers will check your residence while you're away.

Retirements

The Police Department said goodbye to Detective Jean Morrison in January. Detective Morrison started her career here in 1985. Her name is not new to the newsletter as she has been recognized countless times for meritorious service to the residents of East Norriton Township. Detective Morrison's departure is bitter sweet. While we are sad to see her leave, we are happy she is beginning a new career with the Montgomery County Detectives Bureau. Detective Morrison will be missed most for her skills and abilities related to technology based applications and her desire to help others. East Norriton Township Police Department is grateful for all of her dedicated years of service.

As a result of Detective Morrison's departure, it has created a vacancy in the Detectives Unit. Sergeant David Boyer has been re-assigned to fill her position. Sergeant Boyer has been with the Police Department since 1989 and has served in various rolls. He gained experience working in detectives prior to being promoted to the rank of Sergeant. Sergeant Boyer prepared to go back to detectives by attending current investigative courses. We expect a near seamless transition.

School Crossing Guard, Sally Henning also retired in January of 2012 from her post at St. Titus School. Mrs. Henning has been a crossing guard for the past twenty-six years at the corner of Norriton Drive and North Wales Road. A special thank you is extended to her for all her years of service to the Township and the children of St. Titus School.

Valor Award

In November, Officers received a Valor Award for their actions during a fire call. Sergeant Brannen, Officers Cover, Lopoten, and Homan went to an apartment fire. The Officers assisted in gathering information and evacuating the affected building when they realized one occupant was unaccounted for. The victim had become disoriented because of the smoky conditions and was unable to find his way out of the bedroom. These Officers disregarding their own safety crawled into the apartment on their bellies to reach the resident. Officer Homan made it to the bedroom where he located the victim on his knees leaning against the opened door. The resident was conscious but unresponsive and had to be drug from the apartment. All Officers positioned themselves at different intervals throughout which allowed them to find their way back out of the apartment. The Officers, while relying on their training and experience, acted quickly to protect the life of a resident of East Norriton Township without regard for their own personal safety.

School Resource Officer

To the parents and students of East Norriton Township, we are happy to announce Officer Karl Fischer will return to East Norriton Middle School for the 2012-2013 school year. Officer Fischer's presence in the school has made a difference for the children, school administrators, and Police Department. The grant program funding Officer Fischer's position expired after this school year. The thought of the program ending after such success left administrators scrambling for resources. But, there were no funds to be secured. This program was able to be funded for another year as a result of fiscal constraint from prior grant awards. The surplus money will fund the SRO Program for an additional year. *(continued on page 8)*

POLICE PHONE NUMBERS

Emergency: 9-1-1 • Non-Emergencies: 610-272-0747

MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE

Seasonal Reminders

The Fire Marshal's Office would like to remind residents to review the following items prior to and during the upcoming spring and summer seasons:

1. Keep all high brush/weeds cut and away from your home or business.
2. Keep all combustibles away from home and or businesses.
3. Store all flammable liquids and gases (gasoline and propane) away from any ignition source and away from structures.
4. Keep vegetation from obscuring the view of fire hydrants.
5. Be sure to have working smoke detectors on every level of the home and in every bedroom. Also be sure to check your batteries and test your detectors each month.
6. Be sure to have working carbon monoxide detectors on every level of the home.
7. Ensure that your address is clearly visible from the street.

Barbeque Safety

The Fire Marshal's Office would like the residents to keep in mind the following safety precautions when it comes to barbeque grills and outdoor cooking:

1. **ABSOLUTELY NO BARBEQUES SHOULD BE USED ON BALCONIES OR COVERED PORCHES.**
2. Keep grills 10 feet away from any structure or any combustible materials.
3. If using charcoal grills, be sure to completely extinguish the hot coals and **DO NOT** dispose of hot coals in the trash.
4. Properly store your propane cylinders and inspect them for any defects before use.

Smoke Detector Distribution

Limited quantities of smoke detectors are available for distribution to East Norriton Township residents. Any resident needing smoke detectors or help installing smoke detectors should contact the Fire Marshal's Office. The smoke detectors are available at no cost to the residents of East Norriton Township and will be available while supplies last.



Frank Ludwig Promoted to Fire Marshal/Fire Fighter



Pictured is Frank Ludwig, who was promoted from Assistant Fire Marshal/Fire Fighter to the position of Fire Marshal/Fire Fighter. Mr. Ludwig was sworn-in as Fire Marshal/Fire Fighter on January 19th, 2012.

Police Department News *(continued from page 7)*

Accreditation Update

As you may recall, in October we had mock assessments for our re-accreditation and the practice run went well. Final assessments were conducted in November and we are happy to report they went just as well. East Norriton Township Police Department was recommended for re-accredited status and will be officially recognized with the honor at the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association Commissioners meeting in April. It is almost impossible to explain the time and commitment in keeping up with and proving compliance of Accreditation Standards. However, it is easy to see the benefits in the professionalism exhibited by the East Norriton Township Police Department. Thank you to all the men and women involved in this process; especially Chief Karyl Kates and Sgt. Timothy Brennan whose time and dedication make it possible.

Thanks

The members of the East Norriton Township Police Department would like to thank all the residents, businesses, and schools that helped to make the 16th annual Lieutenant Pattie Simons/Salvation Army Food and Toy Drive at Christmas a huge success. Due to the generosity of so many we were able to give more to people in need throughout Montgomery County. The kindness displayed was overwhelming. It is nice to have so many caring people in East Norriton. We are looking forward another successful event in 2012.

Congratulations!

In February, Detective Sergeant Peter Mastrocola reached his 40th Anniversary with East Norriton Township Police Department.

Clothes Dryer Fire Safety Tips

While most home appliances are used without incident, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission estimates that 15,500 fires associated with clothes dryers occur annually, causing an average of 10 deaths, 310 injuries and more than \$84.4 million in property damage. A lack of maintenance, buildup of lint, placing inappropriate items in the dryer and inadequate venting are frequently cited as contributing factors.

Did You Know?

- The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) estimates that 15,500 clothes dryer fires occur annually, causing an average of 10 deaths, 310 injuries and more than \$84.4 million in property damage.
- Eighty-percent of American homes have clothes dryers.
- A full load of wet clothes placed in a dryer contains about one half gallon of water. As the clothes dry, lint forms and builds up, reducing airflow in the dryer's vent, potentially causing the dryer to work improperly or overheat.

Clothes Dryer DOs:

- DO clean the lint screen/filter before or after drying EACH load of clothes.
- DO clean the dryer vent and exhaust duct periodically.
- DO have a certified service technician clean and inspect the dryer and venting system regularly.

- DO replace plastic or vinyl exhaust hoses with rigid or flexible metal venting, which provides maximum airflow.
- DO keep the area around the dryer clean and free from clutter.
- Always use the appropriate electrical outlet for dryers and all major appliances.

Clothes Dryer DON'Ts:

- DON'T place clothing or fabric stained with a flammable substance, such as alcohol, cooking oils, gasoline, spot removers or motor oil, in the dryer. Flammable substances give off vapors that could ignite or explode. Instead, dry the materials outdoors.
- DON'T leave a dryer operating if you are not home.
- DON'T forget to read the manufacturer warnings in the user manual and on the inside of the dryer door
- DON'T dry any item containing foam, rubber or plastic, such as bathroom and non-slip rugs and athletic shoes.
- DON'T dry any item that contains glass fiber materials, such as a blouse or sweater with glass buttons or decorations.
- DON'T overload the dryer with wet clothes.

*Information Provided by and with the permission of:
Montgomery County Fire & Rescue Service
101 Monroe Street, 12th Floor, Rockville, Maryland 20850*

Fourth Annual 5K Run Planned to Benefit Montgomery County – Norristown Public Library

East Norriton Township, West Norriton Township and the municipality of Norristown will be holding the 4th Annual Celebration 5K run on Wednesday, July 4th, 2012. Run will start at the Norristown High School cross Whitehall Road, continue along the path of the Norristown Farm Park and return to the High School. The run will commence at 8:30 a.m. with registrations and check in starting at 7:00 a.m.

Members of the Celebration 5K Run include: Larry Brown, Jane Delaney and Heather Schrack from East Norriton Township, Jon Dzedzy, Lauren Irizarry and Brian Kennedy from West Norriton Township and Bill Plichta from Norristown.

The committee scheduling the run decided that all proceeds from the run will be donated to The Montgomery County-Norristown Public Library which services all three

municipalities. Registration forms and additional information is available at each municipality's recreation departments and web site. Please plan to join us for this event and help support the Library.

Early bird registration fee is only \$15 if postmarked by May 1st. Regular registration is \$20.00 if postmarked by June 18th. Registration after the 19th until 8:15 a.m. on race day is \$25.00. Race day registration will take place at the Norristown High School from 7 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.



SPRING/SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAMS 2012

Tennis Lessons

Youths 8-15 yr. olds

AT: Stanbridge Street Park Courts

ON: Saturday mornings beginning May 5th

TIMES: 8-10 yr. olds – 9 a.m.

11-15 yr. olds – 10 a.m.

FEE: \$40 per child

Five one-hour lessons taught under excellent supervision.

Class size limited to first 15 registered.

Register by Friday, April 27th.

Tennis Lessons

16 yrs. old & up

AT: Stanbridge Street Park Courts

ON: Saturday mornings beginning May 5th

TIME: 11 a.m.

FEE: \$40 per person

Program consists of 5 one-hour lessons.

Class size limited to 15 registrants.

Sign-up by Friday, April 27th.

Women's Basketball League

AT: East Norriton Middle School

ON: Thursday evenings beginning April 12th

FEE:

Resident Teams (70% EN residents) – \$325, Non-resident Teams – \$375

Registration accepted on team basis only.

Roster and \$50 deposit due at Parks and Recreation Office no later than March 30th.

Adult Softball League

AT: Stanbridge Street Complex Field

ON: Sunday afternoons beginning April 15th

FEE: Resident Teams (70% or more) – \$375, Non-residents – \$425

This is strictly a recreational league. Organizational meeting to be held in late March. *Registration accepted on a team basis only.*

Deadline for roster and \$50 deposit is Friday, March 30th.

U.K. Elite Petite Soccer Spring Clinic

3, 4, & 5 yr. olds

AT: Stanbridge Street Park Complex

ON: Fridays, April 13th – May 18th for 6 weeks (Rain date May 25th)

TIMES: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. or

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

FEE: \$85 per child

A fun introduction to the world of soccer. Through exposure to exciting and stimulating physical activities, tremendous developments can be made in children's motor skills and coordination as well as social skills. Program taught by U.K. Elite Soccer teaching staff using "Games Based Approach". Limited space is available.

Deadline to register April 6th.



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All East Norriton residents will be given first preference with space availability in all programs, trips, and special events.

U.K. Elite Steps Soccer Spring Clinic

5, 6 & 7 yr. olds

AT: Stanbridge Street Park Complex

ON: Fridays, April 13th – May 18th for 6 weeks (Rain date May 25th)

TIME: 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

FEE: \$85 per child

Fun innovative program taught by qualified coaches and teachers of U.K. Elite Coaching staff. Six weeks of instruction including a mini-tournament on the 6th week. *Limited space is available.*

Deadline to register is April 6th.

Kids Karate

Beginners 5-12 yr. olds

AT: Paul Fly Elementary School

ON: Mondays, beginning April 16th for 6 weeks

TIME: 6-7 p.m.

FEE: \$35 per student

A beginner's course in TaeKwon-Do Karate, the class covers the basic technique, discipline, coordination, and exercise while having fun. Class instructor Master Harry Plichta.

Pre-register at the Recreation Office or at your first class at Paul Fly School.

Adult Karate

Beginners 13 yrs. & older

AT: Paul Fly Elementary School

ON: Monday evenings beginning April 16th for 6 weeks

TIME: 7-8 p.m.

FEE: \$35 per student

An adult beginner's class introducing the basic technique, discipline, coordination and exercise for this martial art. Class instructor Master Harry Plichta.

Pre-register at the Recreation Office or at your first class meeting at Paul Fly School.

East Norriton Karate Club

AT: Paul Fly Elementary School

ON: Monday and Wednesday evenings beginning April 16th

SPECIAL EVENTS

FEE: \$25 per person per month
(Register at your first class)

TIMES: Youths 5-12 yr. olds – 6-7 p.m.
Adults 13 & up – 7-8 p.m.

An internationally certified TaeKwon-do school. Classes cover all aspects of this defensive art, with opportunities to advance to black belt. Classes are open to beginners through advanced students, male or female. Instructor Master Harry Plichta.

Pre-register at the Recreation Office or at your first class meeting at Paul Fly School.

East Norriton Spring Senior Bocce League

60+

AT: East Norriton Bocce Courts

ON: Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays beginning April 17th

TIME: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

FEE: \$45 per resident
\$50 per non-resident

League play will be held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Spaces are still available for league play. The league will commence on April 17th. For more information or to register by team or individual to participate in the spring league, please call or visit the Parks and Recreation Office at 610-275-2800.

East Norriton Spring Adult Bocce League

18 yrs. old & up

AT: East Norriton Bocce Courts

ON: Tuesday/Thursday evenings or Sunday afternoons beginning April 17th

FEE: \$45 per resident
\$50 per non-resident

League play will be held on Tuesday/Thursday (6:30 p.m.) or Sunday starting at 3:00 p.m. Spaces are still available for league play. The league will commence on April 17th. For more information or to register by team or individual to participate in the spring league, please call or visit the Parks and Recreation Office at 610-275-2800. *(continued on page 12)*

Home Gardening Class

Adults (18 yrs. old & up)

AT: East Norriton Middle School Multi-Purpose Room

ON: Saturday, April 21st

TIMES: 2-4 p.m.

FEE: \$5 per person

This two hour class will give you basic information on planting, shrubs, gardening, pruning, maintenance, starting seedlings and cutting. Minimum of (5) participants needed to run the class.

Please register by April 12th.

Easter Egg Hunt

East Norriton Boys & Girls
3-8 yrs. old

AT: Stanbridge Street Park

ON: Friday, April 6th (rain date Saturday, April 7th same times)

TIMES:

3-4 yr. olds – 10:00 a.m.

5-6 yr. olds – 10:15 a.m.

7-8 yr. olds – 10:30 a.m.

Bring the kids out for this fun event and meet the Easter Bunny in person. All participants should report to the pavilion five (5) minutes prior to the starting time for their age group.

THIS EVENT IS FOR THE CHILDREN ONLY. PARENTS ARE REQUESTED TO REMAIN BEHIND THE STARTING LINE DURING THE EVENT.

27th Annual Montgomery County Senior Games

Montgomery County Residents
50 yrs. old & over
(7 separate age groups)

AT: Montgomery County Community College and several specialized facilities in the area

ON: May 7th – 11th

EVENTS: Golf, tennis, horseshoes, bowling, swimming, shuffleboard, billiards, softball throw, stationary bicycle, basketball "hot shot", running events, walking 1½ mile, table tennis, and darts.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR A SCHEDULE, PLEASE CALL THE UPPER DUBLIN PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AT 215-643-1600 EXT. 3443 OR E-MAIL AT jolevy@upperdublin.net. To download the information packet, point your browser to www.upperdublin.net and click on "Parks and Recreation" and then "Seniors".

SENIOR GAMES OPEN TO ALL MONTGOMERY COUNTY RESIDENTS AGES 50 AND OVER.

4th Annual Celebration 5K Run

Sponsored by East Norriton Township, West Norriton Township, and the Municipality of Norristown

AT: Norristown High School

ON: Wednesday, July 4th

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

FEE: *Early Bird registration is only \$15 if postmarked by May 1st!*

\$20 prior to June 18th,

\$25 from June 19th to race day

Registration on the day of the race begins at 7 a.m. and ends at 8:15 a.m.

All Proceeds from this race will be donated to "The Montgomery County-Norristown Public Library".

The first 200 registrants for the 5K will receive a t-shirt. A limited number of t-shirts will be available on race day. Last year's shirts were a hit! Team discounts: high schools and college teams of 10! Email celebration5k@yahoo.com for more info! Collect \$50 in pledges and receive a FREE entry into the race! Awards planned for top male and female overall finisher, top male and female finisher from East Norriton, West Norriton and Norristown, plus 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards for male and females in 9 different age groups. Course will start on Eagle Drive at Norristown High School and loop through the trails of the Norristown Farm Park and return to the High School. For more information or to obtain a registration forms contact the Recreation Department.

TRIPS & OUTINGS

Washington DC for the Day

ON: Wednesday, April 11th

FEE: \$45 per person

Bus will depart from the Parks and Recreation Offices at 7 a.m. and return at approximately 8:30 p.m. Bus will drop off and pick up at the Air and Space Museum. Plenty of time is available to view the beautiful grounds and museums in the area. We will be there during the beautiful National Cherry Blossom Festival. Lunch is on your own and the bus will pick us up at 4:30 p.m. for our ride home. We will stop for a quick dinner stop on your own.

Deadline to register is Friday, March 23rd.

Casino Trip – Mohegan Sun Pocono Downs

ON: Tuesday, April 17th

FEE: \$40 per person

Bus departs from the East Norriton Township Parks and Recreation Office at 9 a.m. Upon our arrival at Mohegan Sun Casino, you will be on your own for the day. Bus will depart for East Norriton Township at 4 p.m. **You must be 21 years of age or older to participate on this trip.** The trip includes round trip motor coach transportation and a \$25 coin package and a \$10 food voucher. Limited space is available and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

Deadline to register for this trip is Friday, March 30th.

New York City on Your Own

ON: Saturday, May 12th

FEE: \$40 per person

Bus departs from the East Norriton Township Parks and Recreation Office at 7:45 a.m. Upon arrival in New York City you will be on your own for a day of shopping, sightseeing or purchase tickets for a Broadway Show. Bus will depart from New York City at 5 p.m. for our return home. Limited seats are available and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

Deadline to register is Friday, April 20th.

Relaxation Yoga

Adults 16 yrs. old & Up

AT: East Norriton Middle School Multi-Purpose Room

ON: Mondays evenings beginning April 16th for 6 weeks

TIME: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

FEE: \$50 per adult

Learn to practice Yoga skills that unravel tension within the body and mind. This class is designed for anyone looking for a gentle yoga class, or seeking deep relaxation techniques. Please dress comfortably and bring your own mat.

Deadline to register is Friday, April 6th.

Viva Mat Pilates

13 yrs. old & up

AT: Marshall Street Elementary School Gym

ON: Monday evenings for 8 weeks April 16th – June 11th, no class May 28

TIME: 6-7 p.m.

FEE: \$88 per person

Transform flab into sculpted muscle and energize your life! Non-jarring exercises are tailored to fit each student's body and posture. Perfect for men and women, ages 13 and older, and all fitness levels. Wear comfortable attire. Bring an exercise mat, large towel, and medium or regular strength Pilates band (visit www.vivapilates.net for information about purchasing band). No refunds after first class. For more information, call 856-751-0095.

Deadline to register is Friday, April 6th.

NO NEWS IS GOOD NEWS

When you register for any of our recreation programs, don't wait by the phone or camp out by your mailbox.

THE ONLY TIME YOU WILL HEAR FROM US IS:

- If a class is full or canceled
- If there is a change in time or day for the class

So if it's almost time for your class to begin, and you haven't heard from our friendly staff, that's good news.

IT MEANS YOUR IN!

Zumba (Tuesday Evenings)

AT: East Norriton Middle School Gym

ON: Tuesday evenings beginning April 17th for 8 weeks

TIME: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

FEE: \$45 per adult

Program is an energizing, fun Latin fitness workout. The class is designed for all fitness levels.

Deadline to register is Friday, April 6th.

Zumba (Thursday Evenings)

AT: East Norriton Middle School Multi-Purpose Room

ON: Thursday evenings beginning April 19th for 8 weeks

TIME: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

FEE: \$45 per adult

Program is an energizing, fun Latin fitness workout. The class is designed for all fitness levels.

Sign up soon! We will only be taking the first 50 registrants. Deadline to register is Friday, April 6th.

Soul Line Dancing

Beginners / Advance

AT: East Norriton Middle School Multi-Purpose Room

ON: Wednesday evenings beginning April 18th for 6 weeks

TIME: 6:30 – 8 p.m.

FEE: \$40 per person

Come out and learn to dance to your favorite music from Motown. You will learn many of the old and new line dances that will make you the hit of the party.

Deadline to register is Friday, April 6th.

Kickboxing

AT: East Norriton Middle School Gym

ON: Wednesday evenings beginning April 18th for 8 weeks

TIME: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

FEE: \$45.00 per person

Kick you butt into shape! This class is a mix of cardio exercises and kickboxing moves for a total body workout. There are no weights involved, so your body is your exercise equipment.

Deadline to register is Friday, April 6th.

Kidzart — Beginning Drawing

Parent/Grandparents & Child

AT: East Norriton Middle School
Class Room

ON: Tuesday evenings beginning
April 17th for 6 weeks

TIME: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

FEE: \$60 per pair

Come relax, have fun and draw with your child in a guided drawing class. No previous art experience needed. Children should be age 5-10 years old.

Deadline to register is Friday, April 6th.

Basic Digital Photography Class

AT: East Norriton Middle School

ON: Tuesday evenings beginning
April 17th for 5 weeks

TIME: 7:45 – 8:45 p.m.

FEE: \$35 per pair

Are you looking to better understand your camera? Do you want to feel more confident in taking photos? This class is for you! This photography class will teach you all about your point and shoot camera. You will learn how to take better photographs by using different functions on your camera along with different techniques that will make you understand and feel more confident.

Deadline to register is Friday, April 6th.

Advanced Digital Photography Class

AT: East Norriton Middle School

ON: Tuesday evenings beginning
April 17th for 5 weeks

TIME: 6:15 – 7:15 p.m.

FEE: \$35 per pair

If you took our Basic Digital Photography class then you would enjoy the Advance class. This class will focus on how to use your digital camera better and we will review the basic camera settings, camera modes and saving-editing your files to advance composition. This class will also provide hands – on demonstrations featuring the latest in digital photography tips and tricks of getting the right shot.

Deadline to register is Friday, April 6th.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

SCHOOL CLOSING INFORMATION

All activities held in schools are **canceled** when:

- Schools are closed due to inclement weather
- Early dismissal occurs due to inclement weather
- Schools are closed for holidays (unless otherwise noted on your schedule)
- Special school events are being held in the school

Any questions call our office at 610-275-2800 and push 4 for Parks and Recreation.

Norristown Area School District school closing number is 304.

Workshop for SENIORS on Overall Safety

AT: East Norriton Township Meeting Room

ON: Monday July 9th

TIME: 6:30 – 8 p.m.

FEE: FREE

This Free workshop will focus on common methods of how seniors are targeted, how to avoid being a victim and what to do if you are a victim. Concerns within the neighborhoods, driving awareness, how to stay safe and make safe choices will also be covered. Instructor will be Police Officer Karl Fisher of the East Norriton Police Department.

To register for the workshop call the Parks and Recreation Department by June 29th. Must sign-up in advance.

U.K. Elite Soccer Summer Clinic 3, 4, & 5 yr. olds

AT: Stanbridge Street Park Complex

ON: Thursdays, June 7th – July 12th
for 6 weeks (Rain date July 19th)

TIMES: 4-5 p.m. or 5-6 p.m.

FEE: \$85 per child

A fun introduction to the world of soccer. Through exposure to exciting and stimulating physical activities, tremendous developments can be made in children's motor skills and coordination as well as social skills. Program taught by U.K. Elite Soccer teaching staff using "Games Based Approach". Limited space is available.

Deadline to register May 25th.

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DISCOUNT AMUSEMENT PARK TICKET SALE

East Norriton Township Parks and Recreation Department is once again selling tickets to many of the area amusement parks at discounted prices. These are the actual tickets for entrance, not discount coupons. Savings depend on park and type of ticket to be purchased. Tickets will be available in May for Dorney Park, Six Flags Great Adventure, Hershey Park, Sesame Place, Baltimore Aquarium, Camden Aquarium, Morey's Pier, Kings Dominion, Philadelphia Zoo, Dutch Wonderland, Colonial Williamsburg and more. These tickets are good anytime during the 2012 season. Avoid the long lines at the ticket booth, save money and help support your recreation department by purchasing your tickets through us. For more information on ticket prices or to arrange a time to pick up your tickets, please call our office at 610-275-2800.

Ponyshare Camp – Grooming, Riding & Horsemanship Program

Boys & Girls 3-13 yrs. old

AT: Worcester Township (Heyser Field)

Session 1: Mon., July 16th to Fri., July 20th

Session 2: Mon., August 13th to Fri., August 17th

Petite Equestrian Program

(ages 3-7, co-ed)

3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. – \$185

Pony Grooming & Riding Program

(ages 7-11, co-ed)

4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. – \$225

½ Day Pony Camp

(ages 8-13, co-ed)

9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. – \$285



This unique program provides an exciting and inexpensive introduction to the wonderful world of equines in a fun-filled, non-threatening atmosphere. Pony Share uses ponies and cobs, smaller and easier to handle than their larger equine counterparts. Small groups of 4-5 children are formed according to age and prior experience- if any. After reviewing Safety Rules, materials previously covered and learning of new subject matter, children are assigned their size related pony or cob and each small group works under the tutelage of a qualified instructor. Some of the horsemanship matters covered include: safety on and around horses, basic anatomy, equine senses and body language, grooming, the tack and harness, driving the miniature horse, English and Western riding, barn management and careers in the industry. Participants also get to ride and drive their charges three to four times during each session. This program enhances team work and self-esteem while helping develop a genuine appreciation and respect for the animals. Course materials are provided. Space is limited. Children must wear closed-toe shoes and helmets (bicycle helmets are appropriate). For a detailed flyer call the Recreation Department.

Deadline to register for Session 1 is June 29th and for Session 2 is July 27th.

Mini Multi-Sports Camp

Boys & Girls 5-11 yrs. old

AT: Stanbridge Street Park

ON: Monday, August 6th – Friday, August 10th

TIMES: 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

FEE: \$120 per camper

Give your child the unique opportunity to experience many different sports from around the world. All activities and games take place in a positive low pressure educational environment under the guidance of our qualified coaches who are chosen for their ability to inspire, motivate, and encourage campers.

Deadline to register Friday, July 27th.

Sports Squirts

Boys & Girls 3-5 yrs. old

AT: Stanbridge Street Park

ON: Monday, August 6th – Friday, August 10th

TIME: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

FEE: \$69 per child

This is a great way to introduce children 3-5 years of age to a variety of sports such as soccer, t-ball, basketball, and football. Sessions take place in a safe, structured environment and sports are played through a series of games and activities designed to ensure learning and most importantly fun, fun, fun.

Deadline to register Friday, July 27th.

BIKE HELMETS FOR SALE

The East Norriton Township Parks and Recreation Department is selling bicycle helmets at the Recreation office at a great savings. Helmets can be purchased Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. These helmets are ANSI and Snell B-90 certified. Helmets are being sold to promote bicycle safety and to help with the following of the Pennsylvania State Law requiring helmets for all youths 12 and under. Helmets come in blue and red. Cost for the helmet is \$12.

ENGAA Field Hockey

Girls 1st through 8th grades

FEE: \$70 per child, \$5 discount for each additional child

REGISTRATION: will be held at the East Norriton Township Building until July 1, 2012. Registration forms are available at the Township Building and on the ENGAA website, www.eteamz.com/engaa/. For more information email BJ Janis at bjjanis@rainbowlhc.com.

Deadline to register is July 1st.

DISCOUNT MOVIE TICKETS FOR REGAL CINEMAS AND UNITED ARTISTS THEATRES

The Parks and Recreation Department is selling movie tickets for Regal Cinemas and United Artists Theatres at the Parks and Recreation Office Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. at a discounted price. Movie tickets, good for all movies at all times, are being sold for \$8.00 per ticket.



REGISTRATION FORM FOR PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES

Resident of East Norriton Township (Yes or No) Payment method: _____ Payment date: _____

Parent/guardian or participant if over 18 years old:

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Day Phone: _____ Night Phone: _____

Cell: _____ E-mail Address: _____

(Note: For use by the Parks and Recreation department only. Email addresses will not be shared.)

Special accommodations requested: _____

Emergency Contact: *(if different from above)*

Name: _____ Relation: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY

East Norriton Township reserves the right to cancel any program, trip or activity due to insufficient participants, inclement weather or for any other reasonable cause. Should such a cancellation occur, a refund of fees will be provided. Participants who are unable to attend a program should notify the park and recreation department 48 hours before the event in order to qualify for a refund of registration fees. Refunds will not be provided for participant cancellations less than 48 hours before an event. There is a \$25.00 fee on all returned checks. Trip refunds will only be made if a replacement can be found. All refunds due to participant cancellation will result in a \$5 administrative charge.

PARTICIPANTS NAME	AGE	DATE OF BIRTH	PROGRAM NAME	FEE

EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP – PARK AND RECREATION PROGRAM PARTICIPANT LIABILITY WAIVER AND RELEASE
All participants (or their legal guardians if the participant is under age 18) must review and sign the liability waiver and release below.

In consideration for being permitted to use East Norriton Township "Township" and/or Norristown Area School District facilities under the jurisdiction of East Norriton Township Recreation programs and/or to participate in Township-sponsored programs, I agree, for myself and/or for any minors in my care, to fully and completely release Township, its employees, boards, departments, agents and affiliated entities from all claims, liabilities or actions for any injuries to me, injuries to minors in my care and/or any loss or damage to my personal property or the personal property of any such minors arising from our use of Township facilities or participation in Township-sponsored activities and programs.

I agree to hold harmless and defend Township, its officials, employees, successors and assigns from any and all personal injuries and property damages sustained by others by reason of our use of Township facilities or participation in Township-sponsored activities or programs.

I understand that no health and/or accident insurance is provided by the Township. I also understand and agree, for myself, and/or for any minors in my care, that I am solely responsible at any sole cost and expense for furnishing medical or other insurance to cover any expenses related to any such personal injuries or property damage.

I hereby give Township staff permission to secure emergency medical care for minors in my care who may suffer an injury or illness while in the temporary care of Township representatives.

I agree, for myself and/or for any minors in my care, to comply with all

Township rules and regulations, including any rules and regulations governing any programs for which I, and/or any minors in my care, have registered, and understand and agree that noncompliance with any such rules and regulations by me, or any minors in my care, may result in termination of the privilege to use Township facilities and/or participate in Township-sponsored activities and programs. In the event of such a termination for cause, I understand that I will not be entitled to be reimbursed for any registration fees.

I further agree, for myself and/or for any minors in my care, that I will furnish a certified birth certificate or proof of birth upon request by the Township, as may be required for participation in Township activities and programs.

I grant the right to use my/our name, image, photograph and video, including composite or modification, representations in publications, brochures, newsletters, reports, website and any other material relating to Township parks and recreational programs, activities and facilities. I waive the right to inspect or approve versions of my/our image used for publication or the written copy that may be used in connection with the image. I fully release, indemnify and hold harmless Township for any liability for actions taken on our behalf as well as for use of my/our name or image as set forth herein.

Intending to be legally bound hereby, and with full authority, I acknowledge, agree to and accept the terms of this Liability Waiver and Release on behalf of myself and/or on behalf of any minors in my care.

Print Name: _____ Signed: _____ Date: _____

Print Names of Minor(s) *(if any)* _____

EAST NORRITON SUMMER CAMP

SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM 2012

GENERAL INFORMATION

The East Norriton Township Parks and Recreation Department will open its 2012 Summer Playground program on Monday, June 25th and continue for six weeks until Friday, August 3rd. This program is designed for East Norriton Township youths ages 5-13. A wide variety of activities is offered for the participants to partake in, such as arts and crafts, sports, games, contests, special events, and field trips. Anyone planning to participate on a trip must have a filled out permission slip accompanied with payment turned into your counselor by the prescribed deadline. A flyer on each trip will be distributed at the playgrounds, listing departure and return times, fees, etc. for your review. Parents and other family members are invited to join us on any of our trips or special events. All non-registered youths must be accompanied by an adult. Rates for non-registered guests are available upon request.

The playground program operates Monday through Friday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. with the exception of Wednesday, July 4th and trip days. All staff members are required to supervise the participants on scheduled trips, therefore **no playground will be conducted at the Paul Fly playground on trip days** unless otherwise noted. This year's summer camp will once again be operating from the Paul Fly Elementary School. Flyers and a playground syllabus will be available the first day of camp to assist you and your child in planning for the summer's activities.

Our playground program is designed for an active/passive group learning experience for the participants. Therefore, children must be 5 years old prior to the start of camp. All new participants are required to provide a copy of their birth certificate for proof of age. Our hours are 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.; it is imperative that all participants are picked up at the designated time. Our staff has other commitments to attend to after playground hours. **NO Supervision is available through the East Norriton Township Parks and Recreation Department after playground hours unless a special event or trip is planned.**

REGISTRATIONS

Early registration for East Norriton Township residents will only be accepted until May 25th, 2012 at the East Norriton Township Building, 2501 Stanbridge Street, and Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Registrations may also be made through the mail. Fill out the summer playground registration form and submit payment (make checks payable to East Norriton Township). Early registration fee for residents prior to May 25th is as follows: first child \$250, two members per family \$425, three or more members in a family \$600. Registrations received on or after the May 25th will be accepted on a space availability basis. East Norriton Township residents will be assessed \$275 for first child, \$475 for two children, and \$675 for three or more children in a family. Non-residents may also register at this time and will be assessed the following fees: \$350 first child, \$625 for two children per family and \$900 for a family of three or more. There is a limited number of spaces available in each camp and will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis.

All parents are welcomed to attend playground activities and become acquainted with the staff and our playground. For further information contact the Parks and Recreation Office at 610-275-2800.

Disorderly conduct amongst playground participants will not be tolerated. Playground privileges will be revoked with no refund for fighting or causing any type disturbance on our playgrounds.

REFUNDS: Subject to a \$5 administrative charge prior to the start of the program or trip. Any cancellation the day of a trip or special event will result in no refund being made. **NO REGISTRATION REFUNDS will be made after June 8, 2012.**

HANDICAP INFO. Those persons with special needs who desire to participate in any of our recreation offerings should contact the Parks and Recreation office.

Children must be picked up at the designated times; there will be no supervision at the locations supplied by the East Norriton Township Parks and Recreation Department after playground hours.

MEMORIAL PARK DEDICATION PROGRAM

The Parks and Recreation Department has initiated a program for residents who wish to honor or remember a relative or friend through the purchase of a gift to our parks. Picnic tables, benches, bike racks, and trees can be purchased to be placed in our parks with an engraved dedication plaque. Items purchased for the park are tax deductible. Through this program, residents are able to remember someone special to them while contributing to the enhancement of our parks.

PAVILION AND DUNK BOOTH RENTALS

Need a place for your family reunion or a picnic for your company? Call the Recreation Department at 610-275-2800 to reserve our pavilion for your event. Rental fee includes a \$50 deposit and a \$75 charge. Our dunk booth is also rented out for family outings and fund-raisers for organizations. Fee for the dunk booth includes a \$50 deposit and a \$75 rental fee for the weekend. Reservations on both of these items fill fast, so call early to reserve your dates.

SUMMER PLAYGROUND APPLICATION FORM – PAUL FLY

NAME _____ SEX _____ BIRTH DATE _____

EYE COLOR _____ HAIR COLOR _____ HEIGHT _____ WEIGHT _____

ADDRESS _____

HOME PHONE NUMBER _____

SHIRT SIZE? (CHECK ONE) YM _____ YL _____ AS _____ AM _____ AL _____ AXLG _____

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER AND NAME OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN CASE OF EMERGENCY DURING PLAYGROUND HOURS: (please list someone who can get to playground within a half hour)

I, the undersigned, hereby release, absolve, indemnify and hold harmless East Norriton Township, East Norriton Township officials, East Norriton Township Parks and Recreation Department, the Director of Parks and Recreation, his staff, leaders, and anyone appointed by them from all liability from any injury or damage sustained or caused as a result of this summer playground program.

Signature of Parent or Guardian Date _____

DOES PARTICIPANT HAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS OR DISEASES?

Epilepsy _____ Deafness _____ Hernia _____ Heart Trouble _____ Skin Disease _____ Lung Trouble _____

Ear or Sinus Trouble _____ Other _____

Please list any other information you might feel is important for us to know about your child's health.

TRANSPORTATION – How will your child be transported to and from the playground program?

Walk _____ Auto _____

If by auto, please list who will be transporting your child to and from playground.

Name	Make/Model and Color of Auto	Relationship
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Please list any problems, special concerns, needs or situations that we need to be aware of in order to make your child's/children's playground experience a safe and successful one.

Unlicensed and Inoperable Vehicles

This is message to alert all residents that vehicles parked on private or public properties with expired registration and/or inspection are strictly prohibited. Such vehicles cannot be parked on the street or on private property including residential driveways. If the Township becomes aware of any covered vehicles showing no sign of movement, the owner of the property may be contacted in order to confirm that the vehicle has a valid registration and inspection.

Improper storage of unlicensed and inoperable vehicles can be a detriment to our community. These unsightly vehicles clutter the neighborhood, contribute to blight, provide harborage for rodents and act as an attractive nuisance for children. In addition, the location of these unused vehicles could quite possibly interfere with the operation of emergency service vehicles.

Radon

Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that is colorless, odorless and tasteless. The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection estimates that radon is present in 40% of all Pennsylvania homes and it is prevalent in Montgomery County. The gas is produced by the decay of uranium that is present in rocks and soil and it can enter homes through the walls and floors of crawl spaces and basements where it can accumulate in living spaces. Newer homes, which have been constructed to be less drafty and more energy efficient, are even more susceptible to radon gas accumulation.

According to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, radon exposure is the second leading cause of lung cancer and the United States Environmental Protection Agency has established a radon level of 4 picocuries per liter as an action level that warrants radon mitigation. Radon reduction systems are commonly installed to reduce indoor levels of radon gas when testing shows that the gas is present at or above the action level established by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

Because radon is colorless, odorless and tasteless, testing is the only way to know if you and your family are at risk from radon. Free radon test kits are available to Pennsylvania residents through the American Lung Association. Free radon test kits can be ordered through the following website: <http://www.lunginfo.org/freeradonkit> In addition, numerous radon mitigation contractors can provide testing and homeowners can purchase continuous radon testing monitors that are similar to plug-in carbon monoxide alarms to monitor radon levels.

Portable/Outdoor Fireplaces

Portable/outdoor fireplaces do not require a permit from the Township. As a general guide, portable/outdoor fireplaces should be located a minimum of 15' away from any structure. While being used, a portable/outdoor fireplace must be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished and a fire extinguisher or garden hose must be immediately available to extinguish the fire. Portable/ outdoor fireplaces must also be used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. The Fire Code Official may order the extinguishment of a fire in a portable/outdoor fireplace if it creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation.

Solicitation

East Norriton Township requires each transient merchant, peddler or solicitor engaged in the selling, soliciting or canvassing of goods to obtain a Solicitation Permit. The permit identifies the person who is authorized to perform door to door soliciting and includes a color copy of the person's driver's license or government issued photo identification. A solicitation permit also limits the hours of solicitation to between the hours of 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. A solicitation permit issued by the Township does not represent an endorsement of a product or service being offered.

Individuals or groups going door to door or soliciting for religious purposes are exempt from the requirement to obtain a solicitation permit.

If you choose to speak with a solicitor that has come to your door you may ask to see their solicitation permit. We encourage you to contact the East Norriton Township Police Department by way of their non-emergency number (610-272-0747) if a solicitor does not have a permit or if their conduct is in any way inappropriate.

Driveway Paving & Expansion

Spring and summer is the time of year when many homeowners think about having their driveway replaced, resurfaced or widened. Although this can enhance the value of a home there are several important items to consider. Take the time to select a reputable paving company or contractor before a contract is signed. Speak to neighbors or relatives that have had recent driveway improvements made to help in your selection of a contractor. Always ask a contractor for references and take the time to contact those individuals and look at the work that they had performed.

Permits are required for all types of driveway work with the exception of seal coating. A permit application should include a sketch of the proposed work if a driveway is to be widened. Feel free to contact the Code Enforcement

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Germantown Pike Road Work

Significant roadway improvements to Germantown Pike from North Wales Road to Whitehall Road will be taking place during the coming months. Improvements to this section of Germantown Pike will result in a full five lane cross section providing two lanes in each direction and a center turning lane. The main entrance to the hospital will be signalized and will provide appropriate deceleration and turning lanes.

Improvements to the intersection of Whitehall Road and Germantown Pike will include some widening on all four corners with the most significant widening on the southeast corner which include a left turn lane, two thru lanes and a right turn lane to help improve the flow of northbound traffic on Whitehall Road and to reduce the backup that currently exists during peak hours.

As with any road improvement project, delays and inconveniences can be expected in this area during work hours. Lane restrictions and lane closures will occur throughout the upcoming months as this project progresses. Motorists should seek alternate routes if possible. Expected completion of this work is late summer or early fall. However, once completed these improvements to Germantown Pike and the intersection with Whitehall Road will provide a significant, positive impact to the motoring public. Please be patient and courteous to the men and women working in this work zone.

Whitehall Road Bridge Rehab Started

On February 20th PennDOT closed Whitehall Road between Sandra Lane in East Norriton and Stoneybrook Drive in West Norriton to repair the bridge that spans a branch of Stony Creek. The work and road closure is expected to last about 7 months. PennDOT's posted detour uses Germantown Pike to Rt 363 (N. Park Ave.) to W. Main Street. Please be advised that Eagle Drive, NAHS property, is not a public street and should not be used as an alternate route.

This double stone arch bridge was originally built in 1911 by Montgomery County and is now owned and maintained by PennDOT. The project scope includes supporting the arches from the underside, removal of all materials above the arches, repairing the stone arches, rebuilding the bridge up to existing grade, repairing/rebuilding/replacing the bridge walls both above and below the road surface, installing a new reinforced concrete bridge deck, overlaying the deck with asphalt paving material, and repairing the supporting structure at or below the water line.

Once completed the motoring public should enjoy the use of this structure for many years to come, hopefully another 100. Thank you for your patience during this important project.



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Department at East Norriton Township at 610-275-2800 ext. 148 with any questions. Paving permit applications are available on the Township's website.

Alternate Water Meter for Outside Water Consumption

Sewer billing rates are charged based on water consumption regardless of whether or not the water was used for outdoor purposes. Residents may install a second water meter at their property for outdoor purposes such as watering gardens, washing cars, filling pools and supplying irrigation systems. In advance of the sewer bill being received, residents with alternate water meters will receive a post card to report and document their alternate meter usage which will be credited against their upcoming sewer bill.

Residents who are interested in installing a second water meter should obtain a plumbing permit from the Township. A plumbing permit application is available on-line at the Township website or at the municipal building.



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GRAND OPENING

Chief of Police Karyl Kates far right and Supervisor Donald Gracia participate in the ribbon cutting of the new Sonic Restaurant in Swede Square Shopping Center on Thursday, January 19th, 2012.



EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

Police 911
 Non-emergency 610-272-0747 or 610-275-1222
 Fire. 911
 Business Phone 610-279-3456
 Ambulance 911

Montgomery County

Radio Room 610-275-1222

PECO Emergency Power

Outage Emergency 800-841-4141

East Norriton Township

Municipal Building. 610-275-2800
 Fax. 610-277-1879
 e-mail info@eastnorritontwp.org

Hospitals

Montgomery 610-270-2000
 Mercy Suburban 610-278-2000
 Poison Control 215-386-2100

PA Game Commission

Regional office 610-926-3136 or 610-926-3137
 Fax 610-926-8835

EAST NORRITON TOWNSHIP BUILDING TO BE CLOSED FOR UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

The East Norriton Township Municipal Building will be closed on the following dates in observance of the remaining holidays during 2012. The Police Department will continue to operate twenty-four (24) hours per day, however, the Police Administrative Offices will also be closed for the following holidays.

- Friday, April 6th Good Friday
- Monday, May 28th Memorial Day
- Wednesday, July 4th 4th of July
- Monday, September 3rd Labor Day
- Monday October 8th Columbus Day
- Monday, November 12th Veterans Day observed
- Thursday, November 22nd Thanksgiving
- Friday, November 23rd Day after Thanksgiving
- Monday, December 24th. Christmas Eve
(floating holiday)
- Tuesday, December 25th Christmas Day
- Tuesday, January 1st, 2013 New Year's Day