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# 2014: Record Breaking Winter



*Picture by Scott Newell*

With the snow storms just in January and February alone, a 130-year-old record was shattered. For the first time in the region's history, there have been four 6+ inch snowfalls or more in a season. In addition, we are now in the top 5 snowiest winters of all-time.

It was a very demanding winter for the entire region, and the storms with heavy wet snow were a particular challenge to municipal workers and residents alike who had to heft the heavy shovels of flakes. With 57 miles of roads to maintain, Towamencin Township Public Works crews worked around the clock on several occasions.

Different types of storms require the use of different snow-fighting techniques. The decision whether to salt or plow depends upon the expected weather conditions and is made with great consideration based on the latest weather information available.

Plowing under the wrong conditions can create a polished street surface, resulting in dangerous glare ice.

Road crews faced a dilemma as severe storms started advancing towards our community. Because of limited salt supplies in the region, if they plowed the snow off the roads, they would be leaving a layer of ice on the roads. The concern was if you give the impression that a road is clear but you have a layer of ice it's just going to increase the probability of some serious accidents.

One of the stressful issues this winter was the depleting supply of road salt in the region. At least three times, Towamencin had only enough salt left on site for one more

*Picture by Scott Newell*



application of Township roads; other municipalities were in the same situation. Working with our supplier and other communities, the Township Public Works Director

was able to scavenge enough salt to safely meet each storm.

From time to time, a mailbox will be damaged by the Township's plow. Although PennDOT will not reimburse for mailboxes damaged on the State Roads that they plow, it has been Towamencin Township's policy that should a mailbox / post be damaged, the owner must report the damage to the Township within one week from the date of the snowstorm to be eligible for reimbursement.

The Township reimburses property owners up to a maximum of \$100 per incident on Township-owned streets. Snow that is thrown from plows can damage mailboxes if they are not properly prepared and secured. Mailbox damage due to snow and not hit directly by the plow or truck is considered the homeowner's responsibility. This policy, which has been in place for at least ten years, was reaffirmed by the Towamencin Township Board of Supervisors in January 2012.

The winter of 2014 will long be remembered.

# Letter From the Board

Picture by Scott Newell



Board Members H. Charles Wilson III, Daniel M. Littley, James P. Sinz, and Laura C. Smith.  
Not Pictured David J. Mosesso.

We welcome all new residents to Towamencin Township. We have a number of parks and facilities for your enjoyment throughout the year, as well as events for you to participate in or view throughout the year.

The Board of Supervisors welcomed newly elected Supervisor Laura C. Smith at her swearing-in-ceremony prior to the January 6th Board of Supervisors Reorganization meeting. The Board also wel-

comed back Supervisor H. Charles Wilson III who was re-elected to a third term.

There are a number of events currently planned throughout the Spring and Summer. We hope you will find one or more of them of interest to you and your family. Those events include, but are not limited to Towamencin Day, Flick n Floats, Movies in the Park, as well as the annual Turkey Trot the Saturday before Thanksgiving. We will be providing information not only in this Newsletter, but also on the Township website, Facebook, and also on the Public Education

Channels provided by Comcast (965) and Verizon (40).

We would like to thank all those residents who responded to the Township's call for volunteers for our numerous Boards, Commissions, and Committees. We continue to have needs for volunteers to help us in a myriad of ways. If you would like to get involved please visit our website at [www.towamencin.org](http://www.towamencin.org) for more information.



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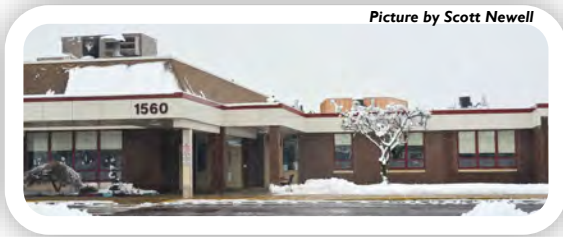
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# Tax and Sewer Information



Picture by Scott Newell

For home and business owners, the 2014 Tax and Sewer/Septic bills were mailed out in February. The bill was marked with “**2014 Tax and Sewer/Septic Bill**”. You should have received it in the mail. If you have not received it, please contact Township administration personnel at 215-368-5357 as soon as possible. If you don’t receive a bill, or you fail to pay your bill and allow your payment to lapse, there is

no provision in current state law allowing the Board of Supervisors to waive penalties and fees -- they remain the responsibility of the homeowner.

Tax bills will not be mailed to mortgage companies; property owners should forward the bill to their mortgage company if their taxes are escrowed. However, sewer/septic bills are the responsibility of the property owner. Mortgage companies **will not** pay sewer/septic bills.

Any request for a change in mailing address must be submitted to the Township in writing. The Township does not change the property owner’s name unless directed by the County.

## TOWAMENCIN TOWNSHIP HAS NEW TAX COLLECTOR

Robert A. Di Domizio, Jr. has taken over the responsibilities of tax collector in the Township; any questions related to School District Real Estate Bill should be directed to Mr. Di Domizio. Requests for current year tax certifications for Towamencin Township, Montgomery County and North Penn School District may be sent to Mr. Di Domizio, P. O. Box 1415, Kulpsville, PA 19443, Phone 215-723-7297, Fax 1-866-496-3991,

Email: [Tax@Robertdidomizio.com](mailto:Tax@Robertdidomizio.com).

## Homestead Exemption Act

The Taxpayer Relief Act provides for property tax reduction through a “homestead exemption”. Generally, most owner occupied homes are eligible for the property tax reduction.

In 2000, the County implemented the Homestead Exemption Program to give a tax break to certain property owners. In order to participate, the property must be the primary residence of the property owner. Commercial properties and rental properties do not qualify.

The Township annually, as a part of its budget process, determines the amount of exemption, currently it is \$59,000. Participating homeowners will receive an exemption on the Township portion of their tax bill. For 2014, it is a \$225 tax reduction. When looking at the tax bill, you will note a County assessed value and a Township assessed value. If the homeowner is participating, the difference in the two assessed values will be the Homestead Exemption for that year.

The forms are available at the Township building or online at [www.montcopa.org/boa](http://www.montcopa.org/boa). The homeowner will receive notification from the County only if the property does not qualify for participation. Once a property is participating, it will remain in the program unless its status changes (i.e. sold or rented). A new buyer must register with the County in order to participate.

**“Generally, most owner occupied homes are eligible.”**

## Storm Preparation

Are you prepared for the Spring and Summer storms and power outages that come with heavy rains and downed trees? Here are some things that you can do, at no cost, that will help you get through unexpected events:

- Put water in plastic containers, but do not completely fill the container (leave about an inch of space) and put them in your freezer. They can be used during an outage to preserve food and medicine requiring refrigeration.
- Ensure you have fresh

batteries for your flashlights and portable radio.

- If you have advance warning of an impending storm, charge all those devices you will need to be able to communicate outside your home.
- Heed storm warnings and plan accordingly.
- If you must use candles ensure they are not placed near flammable materials (curtains, combustibles, etc.) and extinguish them if you are going to be out of the room for an extended period of time.

- Ensure power generators are not run in garages or enclosed areas where carbon monoxide may overcome you.
- Treat all downed power lines as live and capable of electrocuting you.
- Check on the elderly and make sure they are okay.

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# Turnpike Widening Project Update

The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission (PTC) has been advised that the Northeast Extension widening project is progressing towards our Township. Final design was completed on the northern section (Berks Road to the Lansdale Interchange,) in December 2013. The PTC selected a contractor for the northern section construction project in early 2014, with construction to begin in April.

The northern section construction project, which traverses Worcester, Upper Gwynedd, Towamencin, and Lower Salford Townships, will include the full-depth total reconstruction and widening of the existing four-lane roadway. The existing 12-foot travel lanes, with a limited left-lane shoulder

and eight- to 10-foot right-lane shoulder will be reconstructed to accommodate six 12-foot travel lanes with 12-foot left and right shoulders.

Three overhead bridges (Kriebel Road, Morris Road, and Sumneytown Pike) have been replaced to accommodate the future six-lane Turnpike. The Bustard Road Bridge near the Towamencin Volunteer Fire Company main station will be closed from April through November and detoured during construction. The bridge will be rebuilt during the northern section construction phase, along with the Lansdale Interchange ramp. Traffic will be detoured over Sumneytown Pike, Forty Foot Road, and Rittenhouse Road.

Traffic volumes on the Northeastern Extension between the Mid-County and Lansdale Interchanges have increased from 47,000 vehicles per day to 67,000 vehicles per day over the past ten years. This portion of the Northeastern Extension has the highest traffic volume of any four-lane section of the statewide Turnpike System. Traffic volumes on this section are expected to increase to over 100,000 vehicles per day by the year 2030.

Current updates can be obtained at the Turnpike's project website:

[www.paturndpike.com/constructionprojects/mpA20toA31](http://www.paturndpike.com/constructionprojects/mpA20toA31)

**“The PTC selected a contractor for the northern section construction project in early 2014, with construction to begin in April.”**

## From the Desk of the Director of Community Development

Happy New Year and Happy Spring. Now that we have survived this past winter, it is time to prepare for summer. Are you thinking about doing any new projects around your home? Please keep in mind that the Township and building code require permits for certain projects. It is in everyone's best interest to contact the Township before starting your project to verify if a permit is required. Nine times out of ten it is not the Township that discovers your project, it is your neighbor. Starting a project without the proper permits may result in extreme hardships through fines and even the removal of your project. A two minute phone call will save you hours of anxiety.

### **Did you know.....**

Burning shall be permitted for recreational and entertainment purposes such as bon fires and campfires. Permission for such fires is required by the Township Codes Department at least 48 hours prior to the event. Contact The Director of Community Development, Bill Webb during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for approval. This is a FREE PERMIT.

### **ONE FINAL THOUGHT**

If previous history has taught us anything our summer storms are just as dangerous as our winter storms. Here are some tips to keep you

safe during a summer storm. When you see or hear the onset of a storm seek shelter. Always prepare for the worst. Keep a flash light handy and a stash of batteries on hand so that you will have some lighting in the event of a power outage. Purchase a battery operated radio so that you can stay informed. If you are using a generator never keep it indoors or in an attached garage. The CO2 will kill you. Never connect a generator directly into your home wiring. Hire a licensed electrician to install the proper cut-off switch.

**“Please keep in mind that the township and building code require permits for certain projects.”**

# Towamencin Community Day



**Date:** Saturday, May 17, 2014  
**Time:** 12 pm to 4 pm  
**Where:** Fischer's Park  
**GPS Location:** 2225 Bustard Rd. Lansdale, PA 19446

Towamencin Township is excited for our annual Towamencin Community Day!! Come out and see the newly renovated Fischer's Park! Last year we had around 85 food vendors, information booths, and vendor booths. The event was a huge success with over 1000 attendees!! We are bringing back

live music, food court, Inflatable's by A+ Jump, Police/Fire Activities, Face Painting/Balloon Animals, free petting zoo/pony rides, games and much more!!

This event is rain or shine and you can retrieve vendor and food vendor forms at [www.towamencin.org](http://www.towamencin.org).

We will be featuring an Environmental Education Section this year!! This is a great opportunity to enjoy the park and festivities with your family and feel free to bring your pets!!



## Movie in the Park:

**Date:** Thursday, August 7, 2014  
**Time:** 8 pm (Starts at Dusk)  
**Where:** Fischer's Park  
**GPS Location:** 2225 Bustard Rd. Lansdale, PA 19446

Bring your blankets and lounge chairs out to Fischer's Park and enjoy a movie under the stars!! The movies are free to all and free popcorn and drinks will be served. Candy will be sold.



## Join Us For Our Fall/Winter Events:

*October 3rd: Movie in the Park (Beetlejuice)*

*November 22nd: Turkey Trot 5k Walk/Run*

*December 6th: Holiday Lights Festival*

## Special Events are Sponsored By:



# Almost Fab! A Beatles Tribute Concert



**Date:** Thursday, July 31st  
**Time:** 7:00 pm  
**Where:** Fischer's Park  
**GPS Location:** 2225 Bustard Rd. Lansdale, PA 19446

Towamencin Township is thrilled to announce the Beatles Tribute Band, Almost FAB! Bring family and friends of all ages to “Twist and Shout” along to all your favorite Beatles hits. Food will be sold. Make sure to bring blankets and chairs. It is performed in honor of the late Dr. Thomas Hollenbeck.

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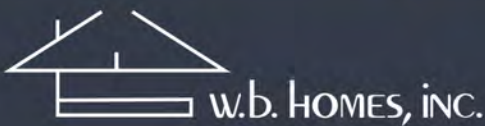
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# Towamencin Community Sponsorship 2014

**Non-Monetary Donations:** Sometimes in lieu of money, businesses donate food/drinks for the Township to give away at our events. They also donate items to go in our “Runner’s Bags” for the Turkey Trot 5k. If you cannot give money but would like to contribute in another way, please detail your donation and quantity.

**Ball Park Sign:** This is a 4 ‘ X 8 ‘ high quality aluminum sign with your company’s logo printed on it, to be hung on the fence of the baseball field at Bustard Road and/or Butch Clemens Park, during the season April through September. First time advertisers will pay a fee of \$335 for each promotional sign, with returning advertisers paying a fee of \$160.

**Bronze Sponsorship:**

**Picket sign** that will be displayed at the two **Movies in the Park, Pool Open House, and two “Flick and Floats.”**

Free attendance at these five events, to set up a booth, advertise, and hand out promotional materials.

PowerPoint **commercial** on the reel that plays before the movies start.

**Silver Sponsorship:**

**Picket sign** that will be displayed at the two **Movies in the Park, Pool Open House, Two “Flick and Floats,” and “Almost Fab! Beatles Tribute Concert.”**

Free attendance at these six events, to set up a booth, advertise, and hand out promotional materials

PowerPoint **commercial** on the reel that plays before the movies start.

**Notation from the band** at the beginning of the concert.

**Gold Sponsorship:**

**Picket sign** with your company’s logo will be displayed at **ALL Towamencin Community Events.**

Free attendance to all events, to set up a booth, advertise, and hand out promotional materials.

PowerPoint **commercial** on the reel that plays prior to the movies.

**Notation from the band** prior to the start of the concert.

**Company logo printed on the T-shirts** for the Turkey Trot 5K.

This sponsorship also includes our **two new** Family Fun Pool Days events!

**Platinum Sponsorship:**

4’ X 12’ **banner** will be displayed at **ALL Towamencin Community Events.**

Free attendance to all events, to set up a booth, advertise, and hand out promotional materials.

PowerPoint **commercial** on the reel that plays prior to the movies.

**Notation from the band** prior to the start of the concert.

**Company logo will be printed on the T-shirts** for the Turkey Trot 5k.

This exclusive membership will include your company **name or logo on our website** under each event and **in the press releases** we send to all the local advertising establishments.

This sponsorship also includes our **two new** Family Fun Pool Days events!







**I would like to be a Community Sponsor:**

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- Silver (\$500)
  
- Bronze (\$250)
  
- Ball Park Sign Bustard Road (\$335 or \$160 for returning participants)
  
- Ball Park Sign Butch Clemens Park (\$335 or \$160 for returning participants)
  
- Non-Monetary \_\_\_\_\_

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Please Make Checks Payable to Towamencin Township. You can email, mail, or fax forms along with payment to: Towamencin Parks and Recreation, PO Box 303, Kulpsville, PA 19443. Phone: 215-368-7602 Fax: 215-368-7650 [events@towamencin.org](mailto:events@towamencin.org)

# Towamencin Pool Open House Luau

**Date:** May 30, 2014  
**Time:** 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm  
**Where:** Towamencin Township Pool  
**GPS Location:** 895 Weikel Road,  
Lansdale, PA 19446

Come out to Towamencin Pool's Open House Luau!! It is **FREE TO THE PUBLIC!!** Bring family and friends of all ages to enjoy a DJ, raffles, and Towamencin's Pool Complex. You will be able to sign up for a pool membership or join the swim team. The snack bar will be open for the duration of the event.



## Flick and Float:

**Date:** Sunday, June 22, 2014  
**Time:** 8 pm (Starts at Dusk)  
**Where:** Towamencin Pool  
**GPS Location:** 895 Weikel Rd.  
Lansdale, PA 19446

Come out and enjoy a movie while floating in the pool!! This event is free to all Township Residents even without a pool membership. The snack bar will be open for the duration of the event.



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# Family Fun Pool Days!

**Pirate Adventure:**  
**Sunday, June 8th 2-5pm**

**Wild West Water Fun**  
**Sunday, July 27th 2-5pm**

Join us for the Family Fun Pool Days!!! Enjoy a full service snack menu, DJ, water slides, and more!! These events are free to members. Non-members and Non-Residents would pay the regular day admission.

# Towamencin Swim Team



**Mighty Dolphins**

Swim and Dive team practice begins in late May. Season ends in early August. Swimmers age 6 through the summer after high school graduation are invited to register and compete. Your child must be able to complete one lap of the pool freestyle or backstroke in order to join the team. Bux-Mont league requires team members to be members of their team pool. Swim Team 2014 early registration for returning members will be available online and by mail March 15th. Fees, forms and instructions are available on our website [www.towamencinswimteam.org](http://www.towamencinswimteam.org).

## Why be a Mighty Dolphin?

You can be part of a Towamencin Championship Tradition. Join the 2014 Towamencin Mighty Dolphin swim team. Your child will learn what it is like to be a part of a team that dedicates a lot of time to practice and takes pride in their performance. Our swimmers come back year after year because of the great experience.

Walk-in registration (required for new members) takes place at the Towamencin Municipal Complex Meeting Hall during the following dates only:

- Thursday April 24th 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
- Saturday April 26th 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

The final registration date will be at the Towamencin Pool open house, Friday, May 30th 5:30-7:30 pm. To register, please complete the pool membership form and the swim team membership form. "Full-season" pool membership is required in order to join the team.

## ***Flick and Float:***

**Date: Sunday, August 10, 2014**

**Time: 8 pm (Starts at Dusk)**

**Where: Towamencin Pool**

**GPS Location: 895 Weikel Rd.  
Lansdale, PA 19446**

## **2014 Swim Meet Schedule:**

**Saturday, June 21st 6AM - noon TST Time trials**

**Thursday, June 26th Away meet vs. Nor-Gwyn**

**Tuesday, July 1st Home meet vs. Fanny Chapman**

**Tuesday July 8th Away vs. Hatfield**

**Thursday, July 10th Home meet vs. Lansdale**

**Tuesday, July 15th Home meet vs. Penridge**

**Thursday, July 17th Away vs. Souderton**

**Tuesday, July 22nd Away vs. Harleysville**

Come out and enjoy a movie while floating in the pool!! This event is free to all Township Residents even without a pool membership. The snack bar will be open for the duration of the event.



# YMCA Classes at Towamencin Pool

**FIT lap Swimming Monday thru Friday 11:15AM – 12:00 PM**

**Aqua Zumba Classes Tuesday and Thursday 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM Registration is required  
Towamencin Pool Members are free, non members \$3.00 per class.**

**Water in Motion Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM, Towamencin  
Pool Members are free, non members \$3.00 per class.**

**Water Safety Event will be held Friday, July 18<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 – 3:00. Local EMS and  
Search and Rescue teams will be on hand to talk about water safety, CPR and Safe Boating.**

**Swim Lessons - Class Times are 1/2 hour time slots Monday – Thursday  
Sign ups begin June 9 and continue throughout the summer during normal business.**

**Session I – June 23 – July 3**

**Session II – July 7 – July 17**

**Session III – July 21 – July 31**

**Session IV – August 4 – August 11**

**Fees: Pool Members: \$40 per session**

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# Exciting Changes to Pool Membership!

## NEW POOL MEMBERSHIP SOFTWARE!!!!

This year the Township has new software for pool memberships. Every pool member will now receive a “fob”, and when you go to the pool you will just need to scan your “fob” to be admitted to the pool. This does require every member to be photographed again so we can incorporate your picture into our software.

How and when does this happen? When you register for the pool we can take your picture or you have the option of providing us with a photo of each family member via email. We have set up an email account specifically for this purpose, [pool@towamencin.org](mailto:pool@towamencin.org).

The Township is hoping this will help on those hectic days at the pool where you just need to scan your “fob”, without showing your photo ID and badge.

Here’s to a great pool season, and we can put the snowstorm blues behind us!!!!

## NEW EASY PAY PLAN FOR MEMBERSHIP

For families that are thinking about joining the pool but don’t have the lump sum to pay at one time, we have an installment plan for you. Starting this year, you can sign up and pay three monthly payments (March through May), with a \$5.00 convenience fee per installment, final payment will be due by May16, 2014.



## RATES HAVE CHANGED

We have also added new rates to our membership plans, “evenings” and “weekends” only membership. Nannies can be added as a family member, (this applies to weekdays only), and the nanny must be accompanying a family member. We have also changed the structure of the family membership; it now consists of two adults and any children under the age of 18. We hope you take advantage of these new plans and come and join us at the Towamencin Township Pool this summer!!!!

# Towamencin’s New Snack Bar

We would like to introduce ourselves to the patrons of the Towamencin Township Pool, starting in the summer of 2014 we are honored to be the new vendors at the pool snack bar. We are the McCoy family, living in Towamencin, we have been operating the Lansdale pool snack bars on Whites Rd and Fourth St since 2006. We enjoy interacting with the members and have built long term relationships with our customers. We provide a vast menu and pride ourselves in providing great quality meals and snacks at a reasonable cost. We will be accepting credit cards and also



sell gift certificates - so that parents never need to worry about having cash to send with their little ones to the pool. We plan on having a dinnertime table service, where orders will be taken and served to designated tables. We will offer a birthday party food & fun package in conjunction with the pool management, so that members can celebrate their child's special day at the pool. We have planned two Family Fun Days at the Towamencin Pool this year, Sunday June 8th and Sunday July 27th. On both these dates the snack bar will host a pool party as a way to give back to our customers. From 2 to 5 pm we will have a DJ playing music and games with all the kids - lots of prizes to be won. We will also have a giant inflatable water slide at the pool - it promises to be a fun time for the entire family.

We look forward to meeting everyone on Memorial Day Weekend. Please stop by and say hello.

Sheila, Skip, Ciara, Shania, and Brooke McCoy

This year we are prohibiting outside vendors to deliver to the pool. We have a full service snack bar. Food from home is permitted.

# Towamencin Pool Membership

**Registration Dates:**

**Thursday, April 24 – 5PM to 8PM**

**Saturday, April 26 – 9AM to 12 Noon**

**Registration takes place at the Towamencin Municipal Complex Meeting Hall.**

**Early Bird Discount when you register up until April 26<sup>th</sup>:**

**Save \$10 for family memberships and \$5 for individual memberships.**

Pool Facility Private Parties (maximum 75)

\$250.00 Monday and Wednesday nights 8 – 10PM (June and July Only)

Saturday and Sunday 10AM to Noon

|                      |   |         |
|----------------------|---|---------|
| Pool Pavilion (half) | Up to 3 hours for a group of 25 or less | \$25.00 |
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Pool entrance fees must be paid for all swimmers who are non-members.

| 2014 Daily Rates                |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Seniors (age 65 and up)         | \$5                                       |
| Individuals                     | \$10 Residents, \$12 Non Residents        |
| Family (2 Adults, 2 Children)   | \$30                                      |
| Bonus Card                      | \$30 (Receive \$36 Value in Guest Passes) |
| Daily fees 50% off after 5:00PM |   |

| 2014 Hours          |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| May 24 – May 26     | 12:30 PM – 6:30 PM |
| May 31 – June 1     | 12:30 PM – 6:30 PM |
| June 7 – 8          | 12:30 PM – 6:30 PM |
| June 14 – 15        | 12:30 PM – 6:30 PM |
| June 21 – August 31 | 12:00 PM – 8:00 PM |
| Labor Day           | 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM |

Group Rates: 10 or more \$5.00 admission (counselors not swimming are free).

Family Membership Lay Away Plan – 3 monthly payments (March through May), plus \$5.00 convenience fee per installment. **(Final payment due May 16, 2014.)**

All requests for refunds must be submitted in writing. There will be no refunds of pool membership after July 4<sup>th</sup>. A \$30.00 administrative fee will be charged for all refunds prior to July 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Opening and Closing of Pool**

The pool closes at 5:00 PM on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Pool also closes early on home swim meet dates. Early closure will be posted two weeks in advance.

Pool may also close early if there are less than 10 swimmers.

The opening and closing of the pool due to inclement weather is the sole decision of the Pool Manager on duty and will be consistent with Red Cross Guidelines.



# 2nd Annual Joe Bacino Scholarship Fund

The annual drive to raise monies for the Bacino scholarship fund is underway. The Towamencin Police Benevolent Association will award two high school seniors with college funds. Joe Bacino was a Towamencin Officer for over 25 years. In his retirement, he worked in the capacity as a security officer with the special needs children at the North Penn High School. Joe was taken from us suddenly by a heart attack, yet his legacy lives on.



**Financial contributions are being accepted, checks can be made payable to:**

The Joseph Bacino Memorial Scholarship Fund (Univest Bank)

For additional information, please contact the TPBA at 215-368-7606.



## Crime Prevention Tip

### BEWARE OF SCAMS

Scams are on the rise in America, and Towamencin Township is no different. They come in all shapes and sizes, but the most common are either over the internet, telephone, or involving a contractor. The old saying that if “It is too good to be true, it probably isn’t true” are words to keep your money by. If someone tells you that you have won a foreign lottery, ask yourself first, “Did I enter?” You cannot win a lottery you did not enter. In fact, if you entered a foreign lottery by phone or by mail, you likely may have violated a federal law. These scams ask you to send a processing or tax fee prior to them sending your winnings. No legitimate lottery will ask you to pay a fee in order to collect your prize.

Another popular scam involves a scammer calling you pretending to be a loved one or someone acting on behalf of a

loved one. They claim to be in jail, or that they are in need of medical care. To resolve their dilemma, they will request you to wire them money. Always call your loved one before wiring money anywhere. Contractor scams are on the rise as well, and normally involve someone showing up at your door unannounced and uninvited. In Towamencin Township, a permit is required for door-to-door sales. Ask to see a permit and always call the police if you are not comfortable. We are happy to speak with solicitors of all kinds. Please keep in mind that while all age groups are victimized, older Americans are most often targeted by scam artists. When in doubt about any situation, call the police.

Sergeant John Cutrone, Community Crime Prevention Unit

**Emergency Dial : 911**

**Chief of Police:**

**Chief Paul T. (Tim) Dickinson**

**Non-Emergency: 215-368-7600**

**Administration: 215-368-7606**

**[www.towamencinpd.org](http://www.towamencinpd.org)**



The Towamencin Police Benevolent Association presents the

# FIVE-0 5K Run/Walk

The Towamencin Police Benevolent Association (TPBA) is pleased to announce the Second Annual **Five-0 5k run/walk!** This event will be held at 9am June 14, 2014 rain or shine, at the Towamencin Township Police Department, 1090 Troxel Rd, Lansdale. Registration may be done in person at the Towamencin Police Department or made online beginning March 1<sup>st</sup> until May 30<sup>th</sup> at [www.itsyourrace.com](http://www.itsyourrace.com). Registration fee for ages 15 and older will be \$25 and \$15 for ages 14 and under.

There are currently several levels of sponsorship opportunities available. As a sponsor, your business name will be placed on a promotional t-shirt that each pre-registered runner will

receive. As in past events, the support of the residents and local business is instrumental in making TPBA events successful. The TPBA strives to support and service the local community with proceeds from such events.

Any questions or to request sponsorship information please contact Kelly at [kpa-lermo@towamencinpd.org](mailto:kpa-lermo@towamencinpd.org) or by calling the Towamencin Police Department at 215-368-7606. If you would like to make a general monetary donation, checks can be made to the TPBA P.O. Box 325, Kulpsville, PA 19443.



**Towamencin Police Benevolent Association  
is hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive**

**May 8<sup>th</sup> from 2-7pm**

**Located at**

**Towamencin Township Police Department**

**1090 Troxel Rd.**

**Lansdale, PA 19446**

**Appointments can be made online at**

**[www.redcrossblood.org/make-donation](http://www.redcrossblood.org/make-donation)**

# Towamencin Volunteer Fire Company



Towamencin Volunteer Fire Company (TVFC) responded to 427 alarms in 2013, which represents 5,455 of volunteer man hours given by the volunteer members. These hours are spread across weekday and weekend alarms, and across daytime hours and nighttime hours. In addition to these hours given in responding to alarms, there were many more man hours given by the men and women of the

Fire Company and ladies auxiliary in training, providing special events for the community and in fund raising. TVFC continues to run a fiscally sound operation on a budget of less than \$300K per year at this time. The continued goal of TVFC is to provide top quality fire and rescue service protection to Towamencin and the surrounding community at a cost to the business and resident

taxpayers of Towamencin that remains affordable as compared to having to fund a paid department. Our budget for providing Towamencin Township fire protection services is extremely low when you consider the cost of equipment, apparatus purchase and maintenance and our building maintenance and demonstrates fiscal responsibility in managing the resources we are given.

*"TVFC engine which was wrapped in support of Breast Cancer Awareness. This truck with TVFC members attended many local and neighboring community events where the community signed in the pink area their support in honor or memory of someone they knew.."*

We do need your help in several ways to allow us to continue to provide our services within the budget that we are working with. First and foremost is our need to grow our base of volunteers to serve as firefighters, fire police or ladies auxiliary members. This is absolutely critical and is a commitment in volunteering your time and

energy BUT which returns significant benefits to you in personal satisfaction in serving others in time of need and in providing special events for the benefit of your community. Spreading the volunteer load among a broader group of members helps everyone to balance their commitment and time to serving TVFC along with meeting

work and family responsibilities. We ask you to seriously consider becoming a member of the TVFC family. Please come out any Thursday evening to talk to us about joining with us.



# Towamencin Volunteer Fire Company

Second and equally important is your support of our annual fund drive as well as the company and Ladies Auxiliary fund raising events. Your support of our fund drive each year is an essential part of the TVFC budget. We THANK YOU for your past support and once again ask for your support in 2014. The fund drive kicks off in March so watch for the letters. As you consider your donation, remember that we are keeping your taxes down for fire service protection with a conservative budget

and all volunteer staff. Your contribution is necessary to our on-going operational success. Your participation and support of the events like Ladies Auxiliary Bingo fund raisers, breakfasts or dinners, Chicken Barbecue and Pictures with Santa is a way for you to enjoy something in return for supporting these fund raising events for TVFC. Please consider supporting TVFC in as many of these events as you can.

*“We THANK YOU for your past support and once again ask for your support in 2014. The fund drive kicks off in March so watch for the letters”*

While there were many highlights during 2013 for TVFC which you would be proud of your fire company for, the biggest and most impactful to us as members as well as in the community was our support of Breast Cancer Awareness. As many of you probably saw, we wrapped one of our engines in pink and took the truck to all of our major events as well as other local community events where people could sign the truck. The response from people was huge and heartwarming and gave those TVFC members that served on this truck throughout the year an additional sense of pride.

Currently, in order to protect the finish on our apparatus, we needed to remove the wrapping for a period of time. TVFC plans to wrap an apparatus and have community members sign once again sometime this year.



Finally, we ask you all to keep safety in the forefront of your minds in your home and while on the road driving. Take the time to be pro-actively safe. The members of TVFC look forward to a safe year for you and our members alike.



## TVFC Events

Main Firehouse on Bustard Road

- |                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| <b>March 1</b>  | <b>2014 Fund Drive Launch</b>  |
| <b>March 21</b> | <b>Vera Bradley Bingo; doors open at 6:00/Games start at 7:00 PM</b> |
| <b>May 16</b>   | <b>Coach Bingo; doors open at 6:00/Games start at 7:00 PM</b>        |
| <b>June 14</b>  | <b>Home Run Derby ( Fishers Park)</b>                                |
| <b>Sept. 6</b>  | <b>Chicken Barbeque</b>  |
| <b>Sept. 26</b> | <b>Vera Bradley Bingo; doors open at 6:00/Games start at 7:00 PM</b> |
| <b>Dec. 6</b>   | <b>Pictures with Santa (10-2 Main Station)</b>                       |

# Towamencin Soccer Club



## REGISTRATION OPENS MARCH 15th

When Punxsutawney Phil predicts six more weeks of winter, it's very hard to picture the start of the soccer season. But beginning March 15, 2014, soccer enthusiasts around the Township will be able to sign-up online for the Towamencin Soccer Club's (TSC) 2014-2015 season.

TSC offers something for everyone.

Boys and girls, ages 5 to 18, enjoy the opportunity to learn soccer techniques, improve their individual skills and abilities, grow competitively, and foster greater camaraderie and teamwork with other players. But best of all, it teaches kids to have fun playing a great sport.

Over the years, TSC has grown exponentially. For example, in just 2013 alone, we fielded a total of 83 teams with 871 players:

- 60 Intramural teams (530 players)
- 14 Travel -- including premier -- teams (210 players)
- 9 Intramural Select teams (108 players)
- 1 Recreational team (23 players)

The Club continues to put heavy emphasis on training programs for players of all skill levels. This includes player conditioning and agility training, indoor and futsal (5v5) instruction, professional- and academy-style training, as well as advanced training for goalkeepers. And we also offer specialized training for our coaches as well.



## Volunteers: Get Into the Game

Of course, we are always looking for people to get involved in our organization. TSC is a volunteer organization run by volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, whether it be as a coach or assistant coach, team sponsor or club secretary, please send a note to Jeff Hill, Director of TSC Soccer at [hej4242@aol.com](mailto:hej4242@aol.com).

And as always, the Towamencin Soccer Club thanks you for your support!



If you would like to be added to the TSC mailing list, just send a note to Bill Sinn, Director of Communications with TSC, at [billsinn@verizon.net](mailto:billsinn@verizon.net).

Or you can check out information on our webpage and Facebook page:

<http://www.tyasports.org/soccer/index.php>

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Towamencin-Soccer-Club/113839888640127>



**Please join TYA Baseball and Softball at Citizens Bank Park on Saturday, May 3rd**  
**The Phillies host the Washington Nationals at 7:05pm**

**Additional Highlights Include:**

- Youth Baseball/Softball Celebration – All TYA Baseball and Softball Team Players with a ticket to the game will parade on the Citizens Bank Park field right before the first pitch.
- The Phillies will donate money back to TYA for every ticket sold!

**Seating will be located in the following areas:**

- Outfield (140-148) at \$38 per ticket
- Terrace Deck (sections 412-429) at \$30 per ticket
- Terrace Deck (sections 430-434) at \$20 per ticket

To order your tickets, go to [tyasports.org/baseball](http://tyasports.org/baseball) and click on the Phillies Ticket Banner or go to [phillies.com/tya](http://phillies.com/tya)- click on the "T" icon and enter the promotion code: **TYAB**. **Ticket order deadline is April 3rd**

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Believe it or not, it's also time to register your son or daughter for the **2014 TYA Spring Baseball and Softball** programs. The following specific programs are now open for on-line registration:

**2014 Spring Softball** - Spring Softball for girls ages 5 - 18.

**2014 Spring Baseball** - Spring Baseball for boys ages 5 - 12.

**2014 Spring Connie Mack** - Spring Baseball for boys aged 13 - 16.

**2014 Sr. Connie Mack** - Adult Baseball for men aged 17-32.

“We are excited to announce the completion of Aaron’s wonderful and unique project! Please make a visit and view, first hand, these fantastic informational elements that are now allowing MLH to move, in tandem, with technology!”  
Sarah DiSantis

# Morgan Log House Spring Events

**April 5th --- Dusty Attic & Creepy Cellar Open House.** Join us as we REOPEN for the 2014 Season with our Open House focusing on the restoration of the Morgan Log House. Visitors will be allowed to walk up into our attic and climb down to the basement- areas regularly off-limits. Walk through the Log House and see what the rooms looked like prior to the house being saved from demolition. Do you want to know how a log house was built in the 18<sup>th</sup> century? Has your dream always been to step back in time to the 18th century? Have you always wanted to try cooking in an 18th century fireplace? Do you enjoy gardening? Then you are just who we are looking for!! Please consider joining the Morgan Log House family of Volunteers. We need volunteers like you to help us with our mission of keeping the Morgan Log House open as a public resource for local history education. Visit our Open House from 12pm to 4pm and meet with Staff and Volunteers and learn how you can help out. Program is FREE and runs 12pm to 4pm.

**April 27th --- Children’s Bird House Workshop at Historic Morgan Log House** from 1pm to 3pm. Celebrate Earth Day and join us for a Children’s Bird House Workshop and make a special home for our little flying friends! For children 8yrs through 14yrs. Parents are encouraged to participate. Participants will also learn about the birds of our area, types of houses they live in, and the food they eat. Registration is required, space limited. Workshop will be held at Historic Morgan Log House and \$15 registration fee covers all materials & supplies. To register call 215-368-2480.



## Got Knowledge? MLH Eagle Scout Project

In July 2013 the Morgan Log House was contacted by Aaron Bonsignore for completing a potential Eagle Scout project at Morgan Log House. After reviewing a number of potential projects, Aaron chose one which would take this 18<sup>th</sup> century structure into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Informational Signage



The Morgan Log House property consists of an 18<sup>th</sup> century restored Log House structure that is listed on the National Register and surrounded by approximately 1.7 acres of Township owned park land. Within these 1.7 acres there

are three (3) areas generally referred to as the upper field, lower field, and historic area. With limited staffing and hours of operation, any Visitors to the Museum during non-regular hours of operation unfortunately do not get the opportunity to learn about the property or its significance to Towamencin Township and Pennsylvania history. The installation of outdoor informational signage will help the Morgan Log House to further support its Mission to educate the public on the history of the property and the lives of its past residents. Outdoor signage will in essence enable the MLH to educate the public on a 24/7 basis. The signage provides Visitors with a glimpse into the past using his-

toric images, drawings and supporting text. In addition to using images and text, technology was also incorporated with the addition of “QR codes”, allowing users of Smartphones and like devices to access additional information about the property. By incorporating Smartphone technology into the signs, we will be able to track Visitors by tracking usage of the QR codes, something that the site has never been able to do before. The signage project consisted of the installation of three (3) informational signs, one for each of the three (3) general areas. In addition, Aaron designed and constructed signs to mark the entrance to the 18<sup>th</sup> century kitchen garden and one to mark the public restroom to the rear of the property.

# Morgan Log House Spring Events

**April through June --- Bookbinding Workshops.** Prior to the invention of Gutenberg's printing press in 1447, bookbinding had been primarily practiced by monks and religious clerics. But with the development of the printing press, the practice of bookbinding took off, though binding remained very much a craft, with each book constructed by hand. Ever wonder how books were put together in the Colonial era? Ever wish to make your own personal book for keeping photos or memories in? During this workshop you will be introduced to the basic techniques of bookbinding. Each registrant will make a 5.5 by 8.5 inch Journal with decorative paper cover, a Quarter-cloth notebook measuring 4 by 5.5 inches, and a Half-cloth Notebook measuring 5.5 by 8.5 inches. Registration is required. The \$25 registration fee covers the cost of materials. Please call 215-368-2480 for more workshop dates and to register. Space is limited, register early.



**May 24th--- Military Might at Morgan Log House** from 11am to 4pm. A day dedicated to the men and women who have fought for their country, beliefs, ideas, and futures. Reenactors covering the 18th, 19th, and 20th century campaigns will tell the story of how residents in this region, county, state, and nation played an important role in wars spanning the past 300 years. Presentations include military and medical advancements, discussions on how the home-front was affected during war, home gardens usage, exhibits of over 700 artifacts including letters, diaries, journals, photographs, postcards and more. The event will highlight military encampments, clothing, equipment, drills, and artillery over the course of 300 years. Program is FREE. For more information visit [www.MorganLogHouse.org](http://www.MorganLogHouse.org) or call 215-368-2480.

## Morgan Log House Summer Events

**June 21st --- Colonial Festival & Craft Fair.** It's summer time, and we're celebrating in the old-fashioned style. Join 18<sup>th</sup> century reenactors and crafters as we celebrate this festive time of the year! Try period toys, games or buy your own in our Museum Shop. Check out demonstrations of blacksmithing, spinning, colonial cooking, beer brewing, and more. Relax in our reconstructed family style Tavern-on-the-Green as you learn about colonial-style refreshments and tavern games. Tour the Morgan Log House decorated in the 18th century Welsh style using garlands of herbs and flowers. Experience the mystery and magic as costumed Historical Interpreters show how the early Welsh kept "evil spirits" away and summoned ghosts to foretell the future. In addition to the Colonial Festival there will be a Craft Fair showcasing one-of-a-kind handmade items for sale. Admission is charged for the Colonial Festival only. The Craft Fair is free of charge and in a separate area of the park. Visit [www.MorganLogHouse.org](http://www.MorganLogHouse.org) or call (215) 368-2480 for more information.

**July 21st through July 25<sup>th</sup> --- Time Travelers History Camp.** Register now for an adventure back in time as we learn about life in Colonial Pennsylvania at Historic Morgan Log House! During Time Travelers History Camp at Morgan Log House, campers will experience hands-on activities including open hearth cooking, candle making, paper marbling, ink making, quill pen writing, dyeing, colonial games, and much more! Campers will learn about the amazing journey colonists made to the New World; what the colonists found when they arrived; how they cleared the land and built their homes. What was farm life like here at Morgan Log House? What chores did children do? What games did children play? How did colonists use plants, animals, and trees to keep them alive in this New World? Camp is open to children entering 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> grades. Registration is required. *Registration fee is \$135.00 per child for non-Members, and \$125.00 per child for Members.* Call 215-368-2480 for more information or visit [www.MorganLogHouse.org](http://www.MorganLogHouse.org) to download a registration form to mail with payment to PO Box 261, Kulpville, Pa 19443. Space is limited, register early.

**September 18th--- Tavern on the Green Fundraiser.** A fun filled, one-of-a-kind evening fundraiser at Historic Morgan Log House. Period music, colonial beer brewing, distilling, cooking, after-hours museum tours, appetizers & drinks combine in this "happy hour" style event being held on the grounds of a 300+ year old property! Tickets are \$40 p/p, \$70 p/c, \$30 for Designated Driver and included up to 7 period appetizer dishes and an assortment of beer, wine, & mead tastings. Advanced ticket purchase required. Space is extremely limited. Rain or Shine. To purchase tickets contact Sarah DiSantis at 215-368-2480. This program will benefit the Historic Morgan Log House operational costs as this museum's mission.



**Culinary  
Students**



# FISCHER'S PARK

## Master Plan Update

Towamencin Township, Montgomery County

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"Maintain and enhance the aesthetic, natural and heritage elements of Fischer's Park through a measured improvement program that includes enhanced accessibility, protection and restoration of natural resources blended with a program of primarily passive recreational activities"





**Welsh Valley Preservation Society Membership Form**  
**Morgan Log House**

Your membership fee is tax exempt to the fullest of the law and enables us to continue to provide excellent programming, workshops, lectures, and tours for visitors and school children year round. Without your support we would not be able to operate and educate the public on the history of Towamencin Township, Montgomery County, and the role they played in the creation of Pennsylvania. In these times of financial restrictions, take advantage of joining as a Member! You receive Free admission for all special event programming and tours. After one visit, a Family Membership already pays for itself!

**With your annual membership, you receive:**

- Free admission to tours and special programs offered that year
- Free access to our genealogy files, and wireless internet research area
- Discounted registration on Time Travelers History Camp
- 10% Discount in our gift shop
- 50% discount on all site workshops

**Membership Pricing:**

- \$25 for Individual**
- \$35 for Family**
- \$50 for Benefactor**
- \$100 for Sponsor**
- \$250 for Patron**
- \$500 for Friend**

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Check payments can be made to “*Welsh Valley Preservation Society.*”  
 Membership form and payment can be mailed to The Morgan Log House,  
**PO Box 261 Kulpsville, Pa 19443.**

## Recreation & Special Events Advisory Committee



**Towamencin Turkey Trot 5k Walk/Run**  
This year we saw over 800 participants!!

The Recreation and Special Events Advisory Committee is looking for volunteers!! The committee is a volunteer group appointed by the Board of Supervisors to aid

the Special Events Facilitator in the planning and execution of the various programs offered to the residents of the Township. The members attend a meeting every other month in order to plan, suggest, and organize events for the Township. The volunteer

members bring fresh ideas, creative solutions, head subcommittees and aid in recruiting other volunteers for each event. We ask that each member attend at least 4 - 5 events throughout the year. Please contact [events@towamencin.org](mailto:events@towamencin.org) for more information.

## Economic Development Committee

Towamencin Township is pleased to welcome a new business to our community. On February 6<sup>th</sup>, Chick-fil-A opened its doors at its restaurant on Forty Foot Road. Steady snow and wind overnight didn't stop about 100 people from setting up camp outside the newest local restaurant, 24 hours ahead of the grand opening. That is because each of the first 100 participants at the Grand Opening of a Chick-fil-A Restaurant who comply with the Official Rules receives a Grand Prize of one Chick-fil-A Sandwich Meal per week for a year.



Picture by Scott Newell

**Towamencin Creek at Fischer's Park**



Picture by Scott Newell

## Environmental Committee

The Township Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) is organizing a group of volunteers to participate in the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy's 2014 Stream Clean-up. The Stream Clean-up will be on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 9 AM to Noon. The location will be

determined over the winter and more information will be provided on the Township website as April approaches. Stream Clean-up information is also available on the Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy's website. If you know of a stream that needs to be cleaned, please contact the EAC!

The Towamencin Republican Committee  
invites you to  
Meet the Candidates & Your Elected Officials

**Congressman Pat Meehan**

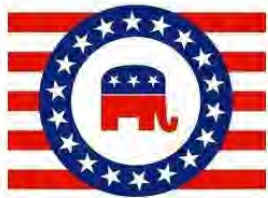
State Senator Bob Mensch - State Rep Kate Harper

Wednesday, April 16, 2014 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Holiday Inn Lansdale

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\$40 per person—\$75 per couple




\*\*\*Questions/RSVP\*\*\*

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# Towamencin's Community Corner



Towamencin Township is a community of tradition and vision. This means we take great pride in recognizing the needs and achievements of our community. We are proud to feature the following stories as a testament to how our community and is growing and changing in our fast paced world.

## KidsPeace Foster Care Initiative

More than 400,000 children and teenagers are in foster care nationwide.

But you may not have realized that many of these children in need of temporary or permanent homes are right in your neighborhood. KidsPeace has an immediate need for foster families in Bucks and Montgomery counties and is seeking your help. Children enter the foster care system for a variety of reasons that make it unsafe for them to remain with their biological families. Working with foster parents who are willing to open their homes and hearts, we can play a vital role in bringing healing to children and families in crisis. We believe every child deserves a chance at happiness, belonging, safety and love. By providing shelter and caring, as well as helping these children develop positive social, emotional and educational skills, you will be paving the way for their future success. Help us change the world, one child at a time.

As a KidsPeace employee, I know that our services make a difference. My hope is that your community will consider collaborating with KidsPeace Foster Care to find safe and loving homes to serve these children and teens.

Your organization can work with KidsPeace in several ways:

-Host an informational meeting with a KidsPeace Family Resource Specialist (foster parent recruiter) as well as members of your community that are interested in learning more about foster care.

-Agree to place a small ad or insert in a bulletin or newsletter..

-Display flyers or brochures in a public place in your building.

With your assistance, we will be able to better provide services to children in your community. Please contact me at 215-348-3400 so that we can discuss working together toward the KidsPeace mission of providing hope, help and healing to children, families and communities. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

To learn more about KidsPeace and to watch videos that address frequently-asked questions from foster parents, please visit [www.fostercare.com](http://www.fostercare.com)



### Foster Homes Needed

Program seeks couples and individuals to provide temporary, short-term homes for children and teens with special needs. Must be able to provide a structured and nurturing family environment. Experience with behavioral health and behavioral/emotional issues is a plus.

- In-home training and ongoing support
- In-home services and therapy for children
- \$70/day compensation
- Crisis management

To find out more, call KidsPeace

215-348-3400 or visit [www.fostercare.com](http://www.fostercare.com)



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# Moms Support Domestic Violence Charity



1-800-642-3150

Mary and Joan Marengo of Towamencin are long time volunteers at Laurel House. Laurel House is Montgomery County's Domestic Violence Prevention Program. Their services include but are not limited to emergency shelter, counseling, 24-hour hotline, transitional housing, medical advocacy, legal advocacy, children's programs, law enforcement collaboration, and expanded community education and prevention efforts.

In an effort to aid fundraising, they created MOMKERCHIEF. This is a product that has many uses, is Made in America, 100% organic cotton, environmentally friendly, and most importantly a portion of proceeds goes directly to Laurel House.



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## Manna on Main Street

To learn more about how you can get involved, please visit [www.mannaonmain.org](http://www.mannaonmain.org) or call 215-855-5454!

Manna on Main Street is a food pantry, soup kitchen, and emergency financial aid and education provider located at 713 W. Main Street, Lansdale. With the support of more than 2,000 volunteers each year, Manna helps the hungry among us, providing food and social services during times of need, as well as education programs to help lift individuals up beyond hunger to self-sustaining opportunities. You can help fight hunger in our community! Join the Manna team, and help feed and care for our neighbors in need.

**Volunteer:** Volunteers are the heart and soul of Manna! Each week, 100 friends serve with Manna in the soup kitchen and food pantry, welcoming the hungry with big smiles and generous service.

**Donate Food:** Manna's food pantry largely operates through community donations. Consider picking up a few extra fresh, canned, or boxed food goods the next time you're grocery shopping. Or, start a food drive with family, friends, or colleagues!

**Invest in Manna's Mission:** Make a financial contribution and help care for families in need! Your tax deductible donation will help Manna feed thousands in our community and impact the health and well-being of families for years to come. *Every gift makes a difference!*

**Need Help?** Do you, or does someone you know, need help? Contact Manna at 215-855-5454 and learn how Manna may be able to help with emergency food, financial aid or education needs. Their doors are open seven days a week!

## Local Teen Starts Business

Charlie Harris is a 14 year old teen and Boy Scout, who has his own Company. Charlie's Lawn Care is based out of his parents' residence and expanding rapidly. Charlie has been in business for about 4 ½ years now, doing lawns, snow removal, mulching, minor tree trimming, dog walking and other odd jobs for both residential and commercial customers. Charlie Lawn Care is also an

insured company, with a copy of this certification available to all clients. Charlie serves the North Penn and surrounding area with his lawn mowing and snow removal related services. References can be found on his website. His equipment includes but is not limited to snow blowers; back pack blowers, Zero Turn commercial mowers, Weed whackers, riding and push mowers and

much, much more. Charlie offers reasonable prices and senior discounts. With the help of his sister, parents and two friends, Charlie's customer base is over 2 dozen families for snow and/or grass cutting, with room to grow. This amazing young man is only 14 and has started a lucrative business. You can call 215-353-1256 or visit [www.charlieslawncare.net](http://www.charlieslawncare.net) for more information.



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