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COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Dear Lyceum Newsletter Readers,

Fall is here and the leaves are starting to change color. Winter is right around the corner. Let's hope that November and December this year are quiet on the winter weather front. Thank you once again for your interest in the happenings of New Garden Township. Following is an update on a number of matters of general interest:

Sale of Sewer System – The Township is still working to complete the sale of the sewer system to Aqua Wastewater, Inc. The Board of Supervisors and the Township Sewer Authority held a joint meeting on Monday, September 23rd to discuss changes to the Assets Purchase Agreement. At the end of the meeting both Boards approved the 3rd Amendment to the Assets Purchase Agreement. The Township and Aqua are hopeful that the deal can be completed by the end of the 1st quarter of 2020.

Newark Road and Baltimore Pike Intersection – The Township's traffic consultant, McMahon Associates, is still working on the preliminary engineering for the project and is hopeful to have this engineering completed by the Spring of 2020. The project is currently on the PENN DOT transportation plan for construction in 2023.

Newark Road and Hillendale Road – Construction has begun on the intersection. Utility relocation has been ongoing but sporadic. The Township is being told by PennDot's contractor that in the Spring of 2020 a detour will be going into effect to allow for the construction of the improvements at the intersection itself. Look to the Township's Facebook page and website for more information. **Continue on page 2**



MEETING SCHEDULE

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

3rd Monday – 730pm

PLANNING COMMISSION

4th Wednesday – 730pm

PARKS & RECREATION

1st Thursday – 730pm

HISTORIC COMMISSION

1st Wednesday – 730pm

OPEN SPACE REVIEW BOARD

3rd Tuesday – 730pm

ZONING HEARING BOARD

As needed

BUILDING APPEALS

As needed

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

2nd Tuesday of the Month 9am

INCLUDED IN THIS VOLUME:

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MESSAGE FROM THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER, CONT.

St. Anthony's in the Hills – The Township settled on purchasing the St. Anthony's property back in December of 2019. We are currently working to obtain funding to perform a Master Site Plan for the property. We hope to begin this process before the end of the year. Until that point there is going to be limited public access to the property as the Township cleans up and makes the property safe for public use.

Police Station Construction – The new police facility was dedicated on Saturday, September 21st. There are still a few items to complete but construction went well and the staff of the regional police department are settling in to their new home.

New Garden Park Phase II Construction – Construction on the phase II of New Garden Park is well underway and going great. Paving of the park trails is scheduled for the week of October 7th and the construction is slated to be completed by the middle of November. The construction will include a new multi-purpose athletic field, parking lot, paving trails and associated storm water management.

White Clay Point Property – The White Clay Point Property, at Route 41 and Limestone Road, was sold from PREIT to JP Morgan in early 2019. The Township has had preliminary conversations with JP Morgan about the property but has not received a formal submission for land development.

Funding for Township Projects – Some residents have asked "How is the Township funding current projects?" The Township Board of Supervisors approved a 4.5 million dollar construction loan in 2018 to help fund the Police Station project until funds from the Sewer Sale are available. The total cost for the Police Station project will be about 5.2 million dollars. Phase II of the park is funded through three sources – current general fund reserves, a grant from PA DCNR and a grant from Chester County Commissioners. The total project cost for the construction will be 1.2 million with \$400,000 in funding coming from grants. St. Anthony's in the Hills was purchased with grant funding from Chester County and allocations in the Township Open Space Fund for the preservation of Open Space. The Master Plan of St. Anthony's in the Hills will be funded, with the help of Representative Christina Sappey, through DCED. Toughkenamon Streetscape and Transportation Improvement Plan, currently being developed, is funded through the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission. The Township Board of Supervisors is committed to securing available funding opportunities and partnerships with local, regional and state agencies to continue to improve New Garden Township.

Township Meetings – The Township Board of Supervisors meets the third Monday of the month at 7:30pm and invites all Township residents to attend.

For regular updates about Township events, meetings and projects SUBSCRIBE to Township website email notifications at www.newgarden.org and follow us on Facebook!





| Fiscal Stability | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------|
| | 2018 Mid. Yr. | 2019 YTD | Change |
| General Fund Rev. | \$3,732,481 | \$3,734,984 | ↑ |
| General Fund Exp. | \$3,485,867 | \$2,953,461 | ↓ |
| Real Estate Tax * | \$1,294,186 | \$1,307,260 | ↑ |
| Real Estate Transfer Tax | \$209,107 | \$195,907 | ↓ |

* Library Tax Referendum Increase .1 mil

| Special Projects | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| | Status |
| St. Anthony Master Plan | ↑ |
| Police Building | ↑ |
| Phase II Park Expansion | ↑ |
| Toughkenamon Plan | ↑ |
| Township Official Map | ↑ |
| Trail Prioritization Plan | ↑ |
| Sewer Sale | ↔ |

Trending Upward
About the same
Trending Downward



| Public Safety - Southern Chester County Regional Police | | | |
|---|---------------|----------|--------|
| | 2018 Mid. Yr. | 2019 YTD | Change |
| DUI Arrests | 82 | 91 | ↑ |
| Part I Crimes | 29 | 48 | ↑ |
| Part II Crimes | 136 | 124 | ↓ |
| Traffic Accidents | 156 | 130 | ↓ |
| Calls for Service | 1646 | 1635 | ↓ |

| Permit Activity | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------|
| | 2018 Mid. Yr. | 2019 YTD | Change |
| Permits Issued | 173 | 145 | ↓ |
| Total Cost of Work for Permits | \$5,863,186 | \$7,093,407 | ↑ |
| Residential C of O Issued | 44 | 23 | ↓ |
| Commercial C of O Issued | 7 | 5 | ↓ |

| Quality of Life | | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----------|--------|
| | 2018 | 2019 | Change |
| Miles of Sidewalks | 9.8 miles | 9.8 miles | ↔ |
| Miles of Trails | 4.8 miles | 6 miles | ↑ |
| Acres of Open Space Preserved | 1165 acres | 1274 | ↑ |
| Miles of Roads Improved | 6.07 | 0 | ↓ |

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Michael Loftus, Member



Randy Geouque, Member



Richard Ayotte, Member



New Garden Community Day & Fall Festival

Celebrate being part of the New Garden community! Enjoy live music with Dri Rain Band, hayrides, scarecrow making (bring clothes- we have the stuffing), pumpkin painting, face painting, food, emergency displays, moon bounces, giveaways, games and more... All are invited to attend this FREE family fun event.

Saturday, October 19 th
12pm-4pm

Don't miss the grand opening of the historically preserved Lyceum Hall at 3pm.

New Garden Park

8934 Gap Newport Pike, Landenberg

Visit www.newgarden.org for details.

Visit us on Facebook and Twitter

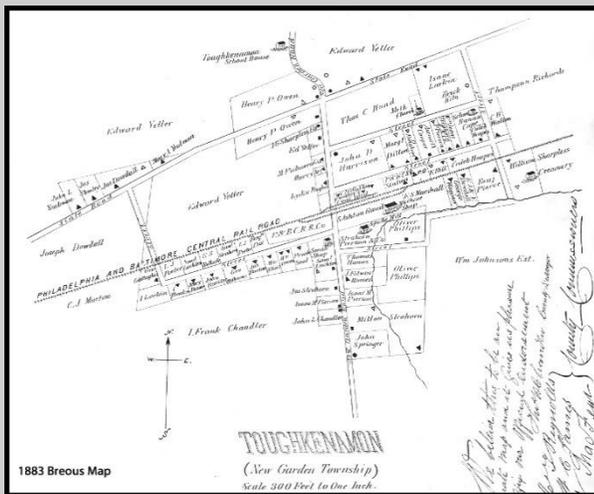
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Toughkenamon Village

Past, Present & Future

The Past

Toughkenamon owes its genesis to the coming of the Philadelphia and Baltimore Railroad; it was in fact a railroad town. Prior to 1852, there were only five buildings clustered around the intersection of Newark Road and the Baltimore Pike. There were three houses, Warner Paxson's general store and a tavern known as the Hammer & Trowel. From these modest beginnings, Toughkenamon began to grow; 14 houses went up in 1860, and in 1870, the population numbered about 300 persons.



One man, Isaac Slack, is generally acknowledged to be the "Father of Toughkenamon." In 1852, knowing that the railroad was to come through the valley; Slack began to buy land and build houses. In 1855, he purchased a farmstead of 132 acres south of Baltimore Pike; here he built a brick wheel and spoke factory, a stone steam powered sawmill, and houses for his workers. For Slack's enterprises to succeed he needed to encourage the railroad to make a regular stop. Slack built a station, installed a water tank and deeded the surrounding land to the railroad. By 1863, trains were carrying ship timbers to Boston and thousands of handles for axes, picks and hatchets were being shipped to Philadelphia and New York. Orders for spokes and carriage wheels were coming from all across the country.

Slack's small tracts soon sprouted a flour and feed mill, blacksmith shop, wheelwright shop, broom factory, saddle and harness shop, feldspar mill, a creamery and a

What's in a Name?

From "Chester County Place Names"

TOUGHKENAMON (population 750), a small village chiefly noted for raising carnations, about three miles west of Kennett Square, took its name because it was near the hill where, in earlier days, Indians used firebrands to flash their signals across what is now New Garden Township.

In their ancient language the Indians said Toughkenamon for firebrand hill. The word was also spelled Dochcanamon, Tokenamon, Tankenamon and Tanghlikenamon. Toughkenamon's growth was slow until Isaac Slack, considered the father of the crossroads village, induced railroad officials to operate trains through it from Philadelphia to Baltimore. The Post Office, with George C. Gallagher in charge, was opened for business on December 8, 1868. The name was first spelled Tough Kenamon.

brick yard. The amenities of a village followed: Hannah Cope opened a private day and boarding school in 1868 and in 1877, a public school house was built. Harry Owens purchased and enlarged the general store in 1872, a Presbyterian church was established in 1874, and not to be outdone by other towns, Ed Yetter laid down a half-mile racetrack in 1875. Telephone service came to the village in 1885; electricity with streetlights followed in 1893, and in 1905, a trolley was built along Baltimore Pike from Kennett Square to Oxford.

If in the period up through the mid-1880's Toughkenamon's economy depended on Slack's factories, after 1882, Sharpless' Creamery was the big business in town. Making cottage cheese and butter, it processed between 3000 and 5000 pounds of milk daily. By the early and mid-20th century, however, the town's economy was tied to the mushroom industry with a basket factory, mushroom supply houses and Losito's mushroom cannery providing jobs. Many families of Italian descent replaced the Scotch-Irish workers of Isaac Slack's day. Gradually, the town became a country village with homes, the Presbyterian Church, DiFilippo's general store, Martelli's bakery, a barber shop, the post office, and a few businesses to support the mushroom industry. Then, toward the end of the century Toughkenamon's demographics again shifted; Hispanic families, many of them mushroom workers, began to move to the village making their homes in houses built more than a hundred years ago. – History provided by: Dr. Margaret Jones

The Present

Presently, the village of Toughkenamon is anchored by the congested and unsafe intersection at Baltimore Pike and Newark Road, is a historic village that has the “bones” of a walkable area with gridded streets, a mix of housing types, and limited retail and community uses. However, Toughkenamon shows signs of deterioration and neglect stemming from lack of investment, absentee landlords, and in some cases, overcrowding. The lack of sidewalks is overshadowed by the lack of destinations.

Several developers interviewed cited that Toughkenamon is “ripe” for positive change. Toughkenamon, a village of historic buildings, walkable blocks, and opportunity for infill and redevelopment.

On Friday, September 13th, members of the New Garden Township Communications Committee visited a few of the businesses in downtown Toughkenamon Village. Since the township is going through a planning process on the streetscape and transportation improvements, we thought it would be good to discuss some of these items with the local businesses, and better understand their products and services. The goal of the planning process is to re-energize Toughkenamon into a village of restaurants, businesses, and housing options along with attractive streetscapes and open spaces that are welcoming to residents and visitors.

Lilliana’s restaurant - 1160 Newark

Rd <https://lilianaspizza.wixsite.com/main>

Our first stop in town was Lilliana’s where we enjoyed pizza and drinks. Owner Gladys and her family manage the business that has been in this location for about 2 years. This restaurant allows for both take out and dine in. The menu is diversified, focusing on gourmet pizza, salads, and sandwiches. The restaurant was named after Gladys’s granddaughter, Lilliana. Gladys is bilingual,



which helps the Hispanic residents and guests of the restaurant. Lilliana’s was also recently voted best

pizza in Kennett Square area. Hours are posted on the web site.

Zena florist - 1465 Baltimore Pike

<https://zenaflorist.com/>

Owner Maria has had a varied work background, and has finally found her passion working with flowers and her customer’s floral needs. The business is about a year old, and provides flowers for all occasions and special events.



She also works with local growers that provide a lot of her flowers during the growing season. She has taken formal courses at community colleges and Longwood Gardens to help with her floral arrangements. Maria previously had worked in the banking industry as a branch manager and in the community services/non-profit area. Maria is also bilingual, and loves working with customers on special requests. Store hours are posted on the web site.

Deanna’s market - 1185 Newark Rd

<https://www.facebook.com/Deanna-s-100908763284988/>

Store Manager, Jose Rodriguez, has been at this location since 2003, and is a one stop shop for groceries



and also has a taqueria on site. There are fresh cut meats and produce on site, as well as a dine-in area. Store hours are posted on their Facebook page listed above.

Toughkenamon Post Office - 155 Center St.



Shear Satisfaction Hair Salon - 1120 Newark Rd
<http://www.shearsatisfaction.com/>



We spoke to Fran, Kelsey's mom, about the business. Shear Satisfaction has been in this location for a long time, and Kelsey, has been the new owner since 2013. Within the last 6 years, Kelsey has quadrupled the salon services and has added a complete Spa service list for her customers. See website for salon hours.

Harvest Ridge Winery - 1140 Newark Rd
<http://www.harvestridgewinery.com/>

Our last stop on the tour was Harvest Ridge Winery's and Rebel Seed Cidery new tasting room, and it of course included tasting many of their wines. Tasting room manager Kristi Wyatt, and Harvest Ridge Winery owner Chuck, took us through the history of the winery, and a tasting menu of their current wine line-up. All of their grapes are grown either at their Marydel farm in Delaware/Maryland, or locally in Pennsylvania. The tasting room in Toughkenamon opened last year, and has seen a continual increase in business as more people become aware of this location. In addition to their wines and cider, they offer charcuterie trays and take out from local restaurants like Liliana's. They often feature live



music and visiting food trucks and you are always welcome to bring in your own snacks. Call to

confirm the schedule (484.915.2190), follow their events on Facebook or the website. Planning a special event? The facility features a special events space behind the tasting room.

Other businesses in town include a WIC office, Creative Play Day School, Crossan HVAC, Serve-Pro, and coming soon is a barber shop and changes to the old Brown Derby property. There are a multitude of auto shops including All about Tires, Russ's Transmission, Blittersdorf Auto Salvage, Before and After Auto Care, Curt's Auto Repair, Andy's Autotech, and Brewer's Automotive, to name a few. There are also two places of worship to include Rock of Refuge Church and

Toughkenamon Presbyterian Church.



Supporting these family owned businesses, that are the roots of our community, ensures that the future vision of Toughkenamon Village continues to advance.

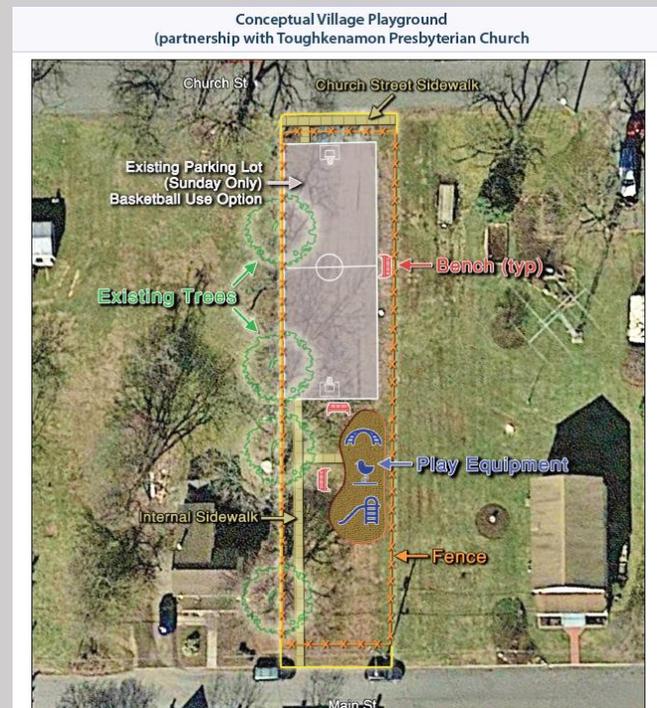
The Future

New Garden Township hosted its second Public Workshop for the Toughkenamon Streetscape and Transportation Improvement Plan on September 19th. Approximately 30 residents and business owners provided their feedback on emerging transportation, streetscape, and land use concepts for reenergizing and beautifying the Village.

One important concept that participants commented on was whether or not to convert Main Street and Church Street to one-way streets (with Main Street going east and Church Street going west). The more popular one-way configuration would allow sidewalks on both sides of these streets, while maintaining on-street parking.

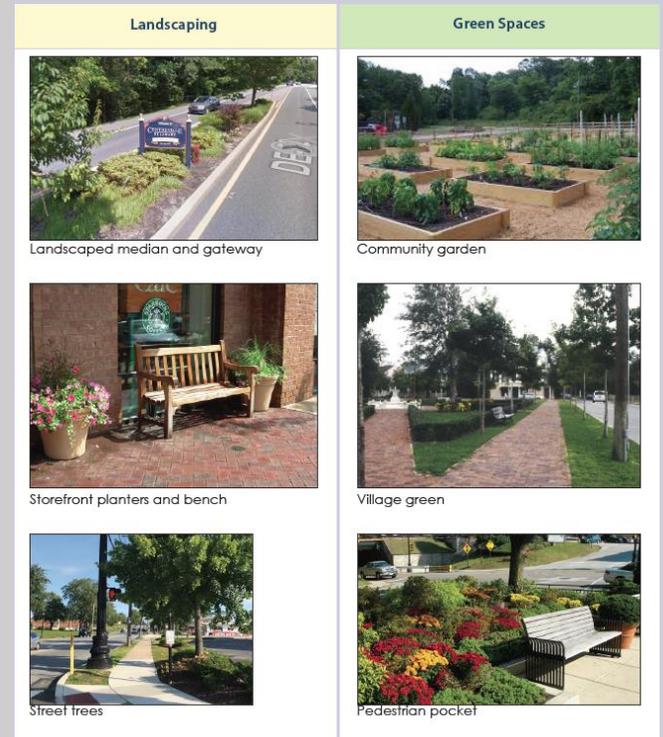


For land use, the public endorsed a proposed plan that envisions a continuous stretch of retail and restaurant uses along both sides of Newark Road surrounded by a variety of housing types and a new playground.



Residents also voted on traditionally styled streetscape amenities (street lights, litter receptacles, and benches) to enhance the planned tree-lined streetscape.

With the plan expected to be completed by the end of this year, next steps will include finalizing these concepts and developing recommendations including zoning ordinance amendments, design guidelines, and capital



improvement projects.

We invite those of you that could not make it to the Workshop to review the information presented and send comments to office@newgarden.org.

View information shared at the Workshop at www.newgarden.org.

Thank you for your time and interest in continuing to make New Garden Township and the Village of Toughkenamon a great place to live!

Meet the Candidates

2019 General Election ballots will include two seats for New Garden Township Supervisor. Meet the four candidates running to serve a 6 year term on the Board of Supervisors of New Garden Township:

Richard Ayotte of Landenberg



What is your vision for New Garden Township?

I envision New Garden Township as an active, safe and healthy community that embraces its rural character. I see continued acquisition of open space to preserve the rural settings

that have drawn most of us to make our homes in the township. Responsible land development and stewardship coupled with responsive government are the keys to our cost efficient future.

How will your background and life experiences help in your role as a Township Supervisor?

I have an MBA and a Master's in genetics and bioinformatics which has given me a solid academic foundation to make informed decisions on behalf of the township for the past six years as a Supervisor in New Garden. As most of us know, the real world is often far from academic and the answers cannot always be learned in the pages of a book; you have to learn through experience.

I have worked for many years in the pharmaceutical industry before starting three successful businesses over the last ten years in areas as ranging from drug rehabilitation to construction and real estate investment. I have employed a diverse group of people from doctors to day laborers and built a winning team each time. Finding the right people and putting them into a position where they can be their best has been a hallmark of my success.

How would you increase community involvement in New Garden?

We need to get word out that our township needs and wants volunteers. More than that, we as Supervisors and current volunteers need to simply ask others for help. I have found that although people may be willing, many do not come forward because no one asks. Asking is more than just a Facebook post or a request in the newsletter, but a face to face personal request to people and I feel we need to do a better job with the personal approach.

I feel we are moving in the right direction. When I first moved to New Garden there really wasn't much going on as far as events. In recent years through the efforts of Manager Tony Scheivert and Kati Parlier events in New Garden Park and around the township have gotten more residents out and excited about our home and I think we will start to see more residents coming forward to make these events bigger, better and more numerous.

The 2018 Comprehensive Plan Priority Focus Areas are listed below. Please tell us what your priorities are and how the Township can successfully improve in those areas.

- A. Open Space and Natural Resources**
- B. Greenways and Trails**
- C. Route 41 Corridor**
- D. Historic Resources**
- E. Toughkenamon Village**
- F. Economic Development**

All of the Comprehensive Plan focus areas have something in common, they will require capital to be achieved. If we want to stabilize our tax base and secure a strong foundation for our financial future, we need to build our commercial base. While we all may or may not want large, high paying employers taking root in our community, those opportunities are few and far between. In order to realize sustainable growth quickly

we need to support and encourage Amazon proof business in areas like Toughkenamon Village. We have already seen entrepreneurs starting to rebuild in Toughkenamon focusing on services and restaurants that cannot be found elsewhere or bought online.

Economic stabilization will by default work itself into all other areas of the Comprehensive Plan. Greater revenues will allow us to add to the over three hundred acres already preserved through the open space fund. More open space will lead to more trails and a realization of the Greenways plan already in place and the protection of our natural resources through decreased development. In my past six years as a Supervisor I have helped make these things a reality and I look forward to making even more happen in the next six years.

What is your favorite activity when you are not working?

The last few years I have been drawn deeper into woodworking, specifically building benches, fireplace mantles and recently delving into more complicated furniture pieces. I really enjoy sharing this knowledge with my children and having them help build something from nothing.

Seeing that Chester County is the largest producer of mushrooms in the U.S., do you have a favorite mushroom dish?

Absolutely! My wife makes an amazing chicken and mushroom dish that has a goat cheese sauce that is incredible and all the better when locally sourced.



Randy Geouque of Landenberg

What is your vision for New Garden Township? I believe that New Garden Township should provide a high level of services for all residents while striking the proper balance between residential development, commercial development, parkland, and open space.

How will your background and life experiences help in your role as a Township Supervisor? I have worked hard and enjoyed my role as a current Township Supervisor for the past six years. There was a steep learning curve at first, especially in the areas of zoning, ordinances, and operations. The business experience I have gained over the past 25+ years, as well as my MBA and MS in Human Resource Development, has enabled me to learn quickly, effectively mediate, and develop solutions that take into account all perspectives and positions.

How would you increase community involvement in New Garden? The current Board of Supervisors and Township staff do a great job of encouraging community involvement in the Township. There is always room to improve. I believe we could do a better job of partnering and communicating with the different community groups and organizations.

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- C. **Route 41 Corridor**
- D. **Historic Resources**
- E. **Toughkenamon Village**
- F. **Economic Development**

All of these areas are important to the future of the Township and rather than prioritizing one area over another, I feel that it is important to create the proper balance between all focus areas. At different times, one area may take priority over another because of an opportunity or circumstance. For example, the Township received funding for the engineering of the re-design of the Baltimore Pike / Newark Road intersection, so that became a focus. The opportunity arose to purchase St. Anthony's In the Hills, and we focused on that acquisition. Currently, Phase 2 of New Garden Park is a focus and several public meetings have been held regarding the revitalization of Toughkenamon Village. The ability to be flexible, balance these essential areas, and maintain a broad view of all of the Township's initiatives will ensure that the Township is serving its residents.

What is your favorite activity when you are not working? Spending time with my family, hiking, golfing, and visiting my daughter in Vermont.

Seeing that Chester County is the largest producer of mushrooms in the U.S., do you have a favorite mushroom dish? My wife Suzanne makes a fantastic pumpkin mushroom soup.

David Unger of Landenberg



What is your vision for New Garden Township?

I am focused on three issues; Parks, Police, and Preservation. I want to turn Saint Anthony in the Hills in to a park we can all be proud of and connect our parks to everyone in New Garden via a trail system. I will support our regional police by advocating and encouraging nearby municipalities to join our regional police to provide service that is of the highest quality and shares costs among the municipalities. Lastly, I want to encourage development in Toughkenamon and along the Route 41 corridor, where it makes sense, to preserve the natural and historic aspects of the township we all enjoy.

How will your background and life experiences help in your role as a Township Supervisor?

As someone who grew up in New Garden and graduated from Kennett High School, this township is very special

to me. I know what makes this area great and I know what opportunities there are to make it even greater. As a county employee, I understand the importance of using public resources wisely and how critical it is to work together as a community. I want to be a proactive force to make New Garden better than it has ever been!

How would you increase community involvement in New Garden?

I would partner with local organizations, merchants and farmers, and nonprofits to hold more family friendly events in the township. We should invest in our community spaces, such as the park, Saint Anthony, and trail systems to unite the people across New Garden. It is important to have places where organizations can hold events for free or a small fee so our residents don't have to travel to Kennett or Delaware if they want to take part in an event.

The 2018 Comprehensive Plan Priority Focus Areas are listed below. Please tell us what your priorities are and how the Township can successfully improve in those areas.

Open Space and Natural Resources-I would continue to dialogue with owners of properties identified by the Open Space Review Board to enter into conservation easements. I would also work to dispel many of the rumors regarding both conservation and trail easements, such as those regarding liability and access. I would also invite the White Clay Creek and Brandywine River

preservation organizations to partner with us to clean up our streams and restore our riparian buffers.

Greenways and Trails- Like the open space easements, trail connections require working with landowners to site connections that minimize the disturbance to a landowner's use of their property while allowing everyone to enjoy the trails. Siting trails near to already established walking paths in homeowner's associations or along roadways is a good start but the township needs an overarching Greenways plan on the Official Map, like Kennett Township, to make everyone aware of where future trail connections are planned.

Route 41 Corridor-We need to encourage developers to locate light industrial and commercial operations along the road. This would increase the tax base while compelling the new businesses to invest in much-needed road upgrades where they are located. These include traffic calming measures to reduce the speed of drivers to reduce accidents at dangerous intersections like New Garden, Sunny Dell, and Sharp Roads.

Historic Resources-The historic resources ordinance that is being developed is a great start, but the township also needs to act as a resource for people who own historic houses or are considering purchasing one. The township should serve as a repository for suggestions on how to preserve the historic ascetic of the property, information on the provenance of the property, and how to apply for historic tax credits.

Toughkenamon Village- The Township can continue to take action to make Toughkenamon a destination for redevelopment by improving the streetscapes and walkability of the village. By encouraging business over

residential development within the village limits, we can prevent it from just becoming a "Kennett Square West" and retaining its image and independence.

Economic Development- In order to ease the burden of property taxes on our residents, I would encourage businesses that employ a highly-skilled and paid workforce to relocate to New Garden. Due to our excellent school system, we already have a large number of well-educated residents that would be a boon to any white-collar company. We also have veteran experts in indoor agriculture, excellent logistics, and access to major highways that would be attractive to many different types of companies.

What is your favorite activity when you are not working?

In the summer, my favorite activity is Chester County Town Tours put on by the Chester County Planning Commission, in conjunction with municipal historic commissions. It is a great opportunity to learn about parts of the county's history you might never have heard of. Other than that, I enjoy catching up with friends over video games or reading; when I get the chance.

Seeing that Chester County is the largest producer of mushrooms in the U.S., do you have a favorite mushroom dish?

I have to admit, I don't have a refined palate so I have never been a fan of mushrooms but recently I enjoyed them as part of a pasta dish and as a burger topping so there is hope for me yet!



Kristie Brodowski of Landenberg

What is your vision for New Garden Township?

My vision for New Garden Township is one of promoting unity, diversity, and community pride.

This can be accomplished by:

- Physically connecting our community: Use the current trail system that runs through New Garden to further connect the park system to our neighborhoods. With the community's support, encourage the revitalization of Saint Anthony in the Hills to create a place for our neighbors to gather and our children to grow.
- Encouraging Development: Seek opportunities to encourage development along the Route 41 corridor in Toughkenamon while preserving both the natural and historic features of the Township we call home.
- Support New Garden's Regional Police Department: Encourage neighboring municipalities to join New Garden's Regional Police Department to create an economy

of scale, which will overall yield a higher quality of service and save the Township money by distributing the costs among the various municipalities.

How will your background and life experiences help in your role as a Township Supervisor?

Having a passion for identifying problems and developing creative solutions, I began my career as an analytical scientist, and, over time, my role has evolved into a Project Manager within the Pharmaceutical Industry. As a Project Manager, I oversaw complex, multimillion-dollar global projects, which led to becoming a Pharmaceutical Site Manager. In these roles, asking critical questions, determining root causes of problems, and developing cost-effective solutions comprised my primary job responsibilities. My day-to-day analytical experience will translate directly to the role of a Township Supervisor, where efficiency, communication, and cost-effectiveness are paramount.

How would you increase community involvement in New Garden?

I would like to bolster New Garden’s trail systems and invest in Township parks, like Saint Anthony in the Hills, to provide community space and incentivize local organizations to use these spaces to hold their local events for nominal or no fee. In addition, I would like to implement an Online Community Message Board, where residents can ask questions, discuss happenings, and provide a communal form for all things New Garden-related.

The 2018 Comprehensive Plan Priority Focus Areas are listed below. Please tell us what your priorities are and how the Township can successfully improve in those areas.

Open Space and Natural Resources

- Create Transparency to dispel many of the rumors regarding conservation and trail easements.
- Seek partnerships with White Clay Creek and Brandywine River preservation organizations to clean up our streams and surrounding area.
- Continue discussions with property owners identified by the Open Space Review Board regarding potential conservation easements.

Greenways and Trails

- Collaborate with landowners and future trail-users to seek connections that minimize use of property disturbances while promoting trail use.
- Create a long-term plan and overlay on the Official Township Map so people are aware of future plans.

Route 41 Corridor

- Encourage development of light industrial and commercial operations along the corridor thereby increasing the local tax base. Additionally, new businesses would be required to make necessary investment in local infrastructure.

Historic Resources

- Continue work on the historic resources ordinance.
- Create infrastructure for historic homeowners; including but not limited to resources for preservation of property aesthetics, details of known history, opportunities for potential tax credits, and resources for potential buyers.

Toughkenamon Village

- Improve streetscape and walkability to make Toughkenamon a destination for redevelopment.
- Encourage business development rather than residential.

Economic Development

- Focus on easing the burden of property taxes by attracting businesses highlighting New Garden’s local workforce and the area’s attractiveness to those looking to relocate.

What is your favorite activity when you are not working?

Our family enjoys hiking in White Clay Preserve. We are so fortunate to be able to enjoy the natural landscape and parks so close to our home.

Seeing that Chester County is the largest producer of mushrooms in the U.S., do you have a favorite mushroom dish?

Mushroom Soup is a fan favorite in my house.

New Garden Public Works Department

BY: Ken Reed, Public Works Director

We finally got much needed relief from constant rain events which allowed us to complete projects that were pushed off due to bad weather.

This summer, just like every summer, was a busy one for the Public Works Department. A much needed dry summer allowed us to mow road banks three times instead of four as in previous years. Throughout the summer we repaired a number of signs, handled numerous tree/limbs down, and inspected/cleaned over 300 inlets. We didn't get as much in-house road base repair done as in previous years due to a number of larger projects. We are hoping to get back to road base repair in the next few weeks and work until cold weather comes and the blacktop plants close for the winter.

Roadway maintenance projects this year, once again, totaled almost half a million dollars. To be exact, a total of \$450,680.24 was spent on road sealing and repaving. For 2019 we milled 2" off of the existing roadways and then applied 2-1/2" of 19mm as a "level" course and an addition 1-1/2" of 9.5mm as a wearing course. A total of 1.38 miles of roadway were paved this year. Roads paved include: Ellicott Road, Chambers Road and Thompson Road (between Baltimore Pike and Cypress Street).



The milling process removes the existing road surface to a predetermined depth. This allows the contractor to slightly reshape the road to assist with proper drainage and lower the road height to allow for level and wearing course application. When milling is complete, the roadway is swept up from all remaining stone and debris and a tack coat is applied to help the new blacktop adhere, while sealing any cracks. Then the level course is applied to fill in any low spots and set the crown to allow storm water to run off the roadway. This blacktop mix has slightly larger stone than the wearing course which gives the roadway a little structure. The final step in the paving project is the wearing course. This is another variation of blacktop, however, it uses smaller stone than the level course and it gives the roadway a nice smooth, quiet ride. As mentioned previously we paved 1.38 miles of roadway and the cost of the paving was \$309,780.24

The remaining, \$140,900.00 spent on road work this year was for tar/chip and fog sealing. Roughly 1.6 miles of roadway were tar/chipped and fog sealed this year. Roads tarred and chipped include: Pelham Drive, Saddle Court, Stirrup Court, Bridle Court, Middleton Lane, Cabot Court, Patrick Lane, and Hoopes Drive.

The tar/chip/fog seal process helps seal up cracks in the road and keeps water out of them. One of the most detrimental factors to roadways is water. As water gets down in the crack of the road and traffic drives over it, the tires act as a pressure washer and force the water with tremendous force, deeper into the road bed/crack. In winter, the freeze/thaw cycles in the area freeze that water, which makes it expand and then opens the crack even more. When we apply salt or the temperature rises, the ice melts and the water drops down into the crack that it just made bigger. When freezing temperatures arrive again the water once again freezes and expands which starts the whole cycle over again. That freeze/thaw cycle is one of the main causes of potholes. By eliminating the water in the cracks we can significantly increase the life of the road.

We often receive calls about why something was done to one road and not another. Common practice is to "keep the good roads good." That means that a little preventative maintenance on a road that only has a few cracks is far cheaper

to do now. Years ago there wasn't "extra" money available to do much road work and we were only treating about a mile or two of roads per year. With over 60 miles of roadway throughout the Township, we should be treating about three miles of roadway a year to stay on top of the situation. The last few years we have been treating over five miles per year, on average, with over 6 miles treated in 2018. It will take some time to get caught up, but we are trying to stretch our funding as far as possible to get as many roads treated as possible.



This year the Public Works Department implemented a new product for rehabilitating/replacing pipes for the Township's aging storm water system. The new style pipe is made by a company called Snap-Tite and they make a rigid plastic pipe that is pushed through the existing failed pipe. The smooth interior of the pipe, while being smaller than the host pipe, in most cases has the same flow, if not better flow, than the existing corrugated metal pipe. Depending on the situation there may be no need to dig anything to reline a pipe. This can save a lot of labor costs, as well as fuel and wear and tear on equipment. Without having to dig, or digging a much smaller hole, we also can keep the roadway open so traffic is almost uninterrupted. The crew has already rehabilitated over 500 linear feet of pipe this year and there are a few more projects slated.



Codes Corner

By Damon Cinaglia, Zoning and Code Official

Do you know when a zoning permit is required?

A *zoning permit* is not the same as a *building permit*. Whereas a building permit governs the proper construction of a structure, *zoning* regulates the size and location of a structure. So even if what you want to build doesn't require a building permit (a shed less than 200 square feet, for example), it will still likely require a zoning permit. That ensures that what you want to build will comply with our rules for setbacks, size, and specific use.

For example, let's say you want to have a 16' x 10' shed installed on your property. Because it is less than 200 square feet, no building permit is required. And because it's less than 1,000 square feet, no *stormwater management* is needed. Check and check. But wait! The Township needs to make sure that *where* you install your shed will be the proper distance from your property line. This protects both you and your neighbors from unwanted structures encroaching on your respective property.



What kinds of things require a zoning permit? This is by no means a comprehensive list, so please call the Township if you are not sure!

- Decks, patios, sport and tennis courts
- Driveway replacement/expansion and sidewalks
- Accessory structures used as tool or storage sheds, play houses/structures and similar uses
- Retaining walls less than 4 feet in height
- Interestingly, fences under 6' do *not* require a zoning permit at this time. This may change in the future, but for now, just make sure that your fence is installed on *your* property, and not your neighbors. (Fences over 6' tall do require a building permit under state law).

View more about the Zoning and Codes Department <https://www.newgarden.org/zoning-and-codes> or by calling Damon Cinaglia at 610-268-2915 Ext. 103 or email: codes@newgarden.org.

New Garden Trail System Brochure

Township Park

The New Garden Township Park was established in 1997 and has steadily grown in size and activity. Visitors can enjoy a large playground, walking paths, fitness stations, soccer, baseball, softball fields and clean restrooms. Two covered picnic pavilions can be reserved by groups. Two historic structures, the Lamborn House and the Lyceum Building, are situated in the park. The park's Lamborn Run, which is in the National Wild & Scenic White Clay Creek Watershed, will undergo an extensive riparian buffer improvement in the near future. A very popular seasonal Saturday morning local Growers Market is located at the Route 41 entrance to the park.

Check out the Township website, newgarden.org, for the many special events that are scheduled in the park during the year.



Walking Paths



Playground



Softball Field & Historic Buildings



Fitness Station & Pavilion



Wooden Bench on the Mill Race Trail

Friends of the New Garden Trails is a non-profit, volunteer organization dedicated to the creation, preservation and protection of the trails in New Garden Township.

For more information about volunteer opportunities and the growing trail system in New Garden Township and surrounding municipalities please visit:

FriendsOftheNewGardenTrails.org



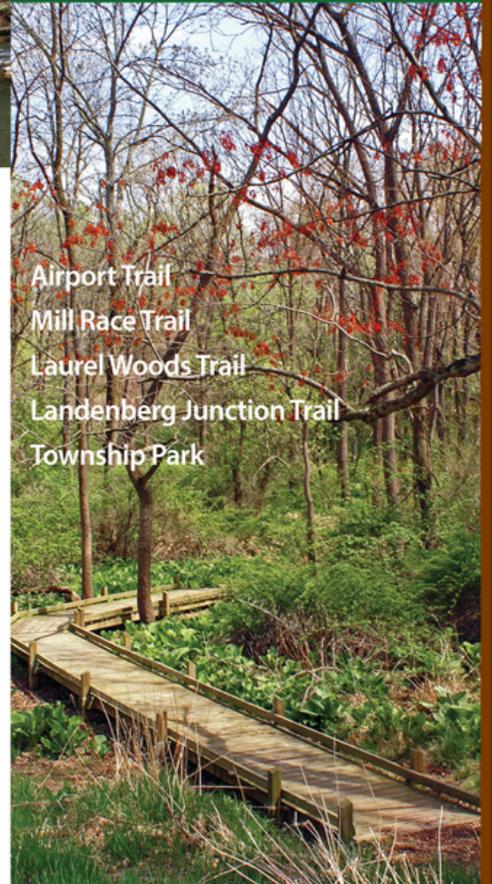
Observation Platform on the Laurel Woods Trail

Funding for this brochure provided by the E. Kneale Dockstader Foundation and the PECO Growing Greener Fund. Go to FriendsOftheNewGardenTrails.org for a complete list of trail development supporters.

New Garden Township Trails

In the White Clay Creek National Wild & Scenic River Watershed

- Airport Trail
- Mill Race Trail
- Laurel Woods Trail
- Landenberg Junction Trail
- Township Park



New Garden Airport Trail



New Garden Township's Airport Trail offers a range of unique features complimenting the community's desire for fitness, hiking, and birding. Tall oak, beech, sycamore, and tulip poplar trees provide shade with minimum undergrowth. Hawks, warblers and other song birds populate the woods. Ferns cover the understorey. A combination of hard surface and packed earth trails provide an easy hike ending with a picnic in the large pavilion along the woods edge overlooking the airfield.

Features:

- Length: 1 mile, mostly wooded
- Uninterrupted view of airport activities
- Large picnic pavilion with tables
- Beautiful mature woodland
- Elevation 170 feet
- Trail connects Church Road and Newark Road
- 480 feet, the highest public view in New Garden



Airfield



Pavilion



White Clay Creek

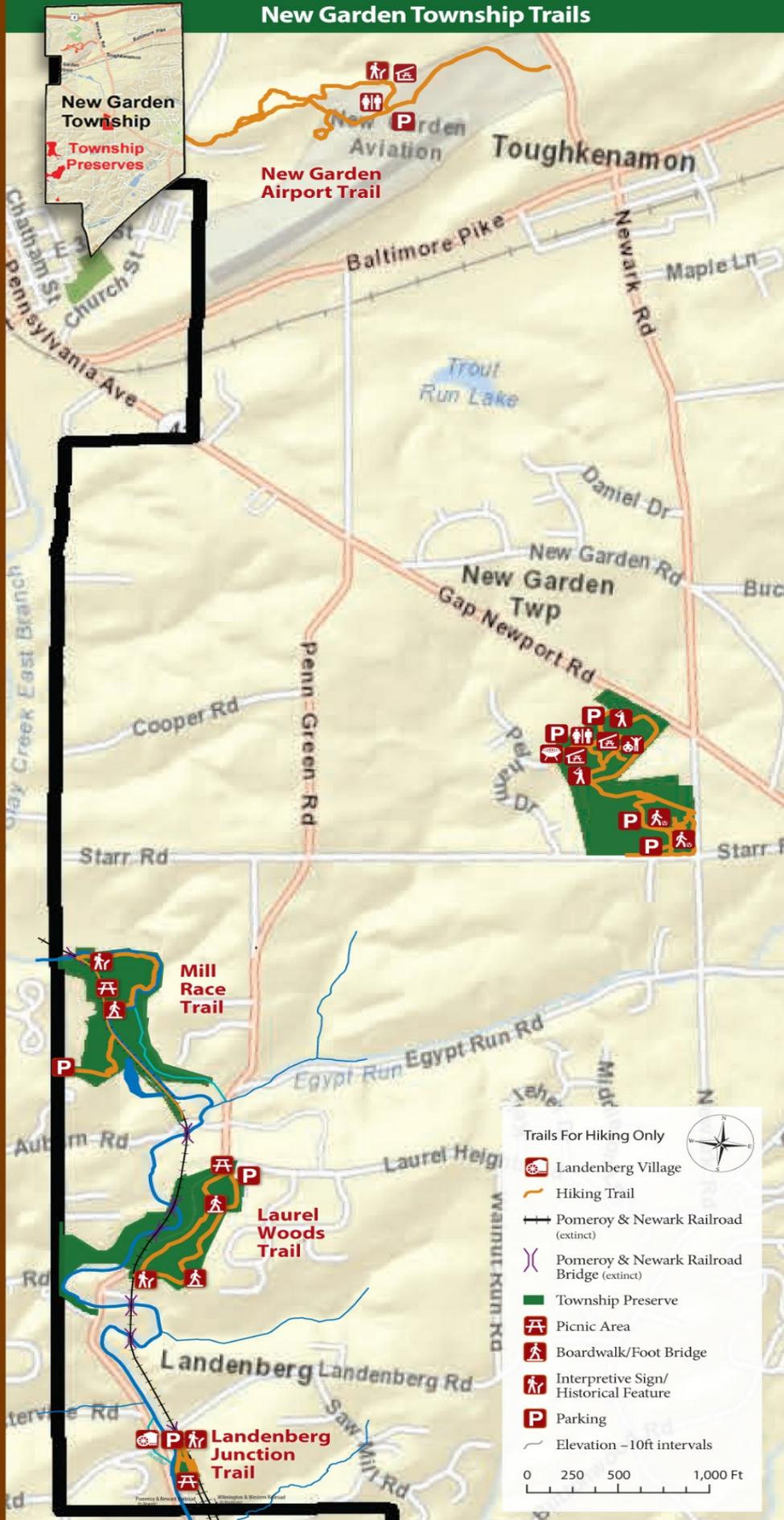
Loop Trail Vision

A 17 mile trail, starting and ending at the White Clay Preserve, traversing four Townships (London Britain, New Garden, Franklin, London Grove) running along the east and middle branches of the Wild & Scenic White Clay Creek.

The three New Garden Trails in this brochure are segments of the envisioned White Clay Creek Loop Trail shown below.



New Garden Township Trails



Mill Race Trail

(1.2 miles, opened 2011)



A gentle path on the abandoned Pomeroy & Newark Railroad bed and the banks of the White Clay Creek. Highlights include:

- Rocky remnants of an 18th century dam that powered a mill located a half mile downstream
- Tree stump, three feet in diameter, the work of an industrious beaver
- Concrete abutments of "Bridge 42" where the Pomeroy & Newark passenger train crashed into the icy, flooded White Clay Creek in 1904
- Wooden benches situated along the meandering White Clay Creek (east branch)
- Identified and labeled trees and shrubs
- Noted for its exceptional native plants
- Trout fishing accessibility along the Creek

Difficulty: Easy, except section of the first quarter mile of trail from the parking area to the Creek are steep

Surface: Sections of packed dirt, woodchips and cinders

Parking: Reserved spaces off Lavender Hill Lane

Laurel Woods Trail

(1 mile, opened 2009)



A winding loop through the wooded hillside of the White Clay Creek Valley. Highlights include:

- Rare patch of Mountain Laurel, the Pennsylvania state flower
- Identified and labeled trees and shrubs
- Observation platform overlooking the abandoned Pomeroy & Newark Railroad Cut with an interpretive sign detailing its significance
- Remnants of the 19th century road into Landenberg
- 35 foot long wooden bridge and numerous benches with view of the White Clay Creek Valley

Difficulty: Moderate, elevation climb 100ft

Surface: Sections of packed dirt and woodchips
Multiple sets of stairs and bridges

Parking: Gravel lot off Laurel Heights Road

Landenberg Junction Trail

(.4 mile, opened 2015)



The shortest and most historic trail encompassing both the Pomeroy & Newark and Wilmington & Western Railroad beds along the beautiful Wild & Scenic White Clay Creek. Highlights include:

- Located in Historic Landenberg Village
- Small amphibian ponds
- Hendrickson homestead rain garden
- Creek side picnic area
- Trout fishing accessibility

Difficulty: Easy

Surface: Section of packed dirt, wood chips, gravel and stairs

Parking: Gravel lot off Landenberg Road

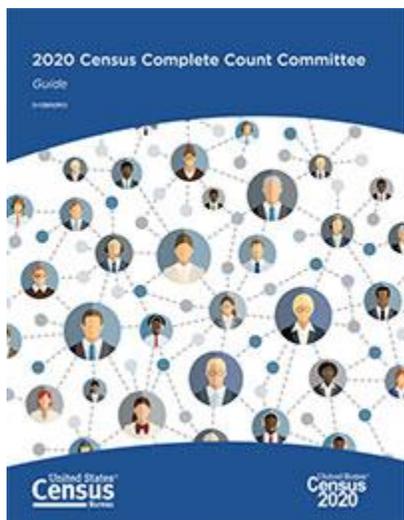


What is the Chester County Complete Count Committee (CCC)?

In the summer of 2019, the Chester County Commissioners established the Chester County CCC, which consists of a variety of community leaders from education, business, healthcare, and other public and private organizations. These trusted voices are working with County government to develop and implement a 2020 Census awareness campaign based upon their knowledge of the local community. The focus of the CCC is to conduct public outreach to "hard-to-count" residents of Chester County who may include temporary residents, like college students or farm workers, and other people like the seniors or recent immigrants who are less likely to fill out forms due to a lack of familiarity. **You can find out more at: <https://news.chescoplanning.org/chester-county-complete-count-committee-to-raise-awareness-about-2020-census/>**

The Chester County CCC will be actively working from the fall of 2019 to the spring of 2020 to ensure that everyone in Chester County is counted. For more information on the committee, contact Jake Michael at jmichael@chesco.org or 610-344-6285.

Help Wanted: Could you be a Census Champion?



Are you a community leader in Chester County who could help promote the census? If so, we would like you to consider becoming a "Census Champion" who will conduct face to face meetings with hard-to-count groups. This is a volunteer position, but the CCC can provide you with flyers, posters, and the guidance of CCC members. We are especially interested in individuals with contacts in the following communities or groups: Seniors, Farm Workers, Foreign Language Speakers, Immigrant Communities, Minority Communities, College Students, Adult Literacy, Food Pantries, Houses of Worship, ESL Classes Immigrant Groups, Ethnic Grocery Stores, West Chester Boro., The City of Coatesville, Kennett Square Boro., Phoenixville Boro.

If you would be interested in becoming a Census Champion contact Jake Michael at jmichael@chesco.org or 610-344-6285.

When will the Census forms be mailed?

The 2020 Census will be mailing out materials to Chester County residents mostly during March and April of 2020.

March 12 to 20: Each residential address, including rental apartments, will be mailed a census invitation card, and instructions for the on-line submission. It will also explain how to fill out the form over the phone, or by using a paper form.

March 16 to 24: A reminder post card will be sent to each residential address.

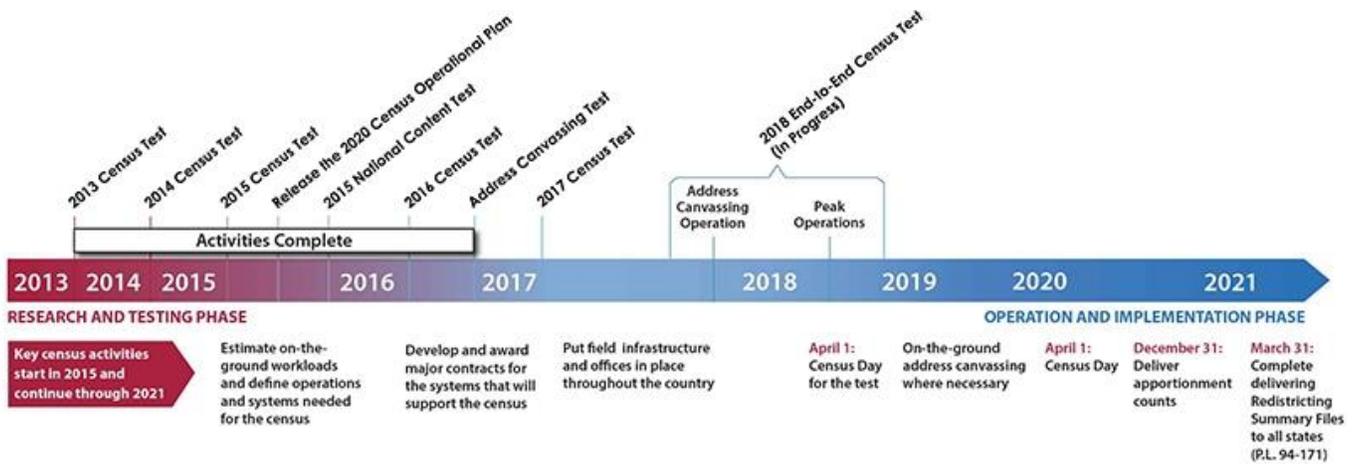
March 26 to April 3: If you have not yet submitted your Census information, a reminder postcard will be sent to you.

April 8 to 16: If you have not yet submitted your Census information, a reminder letter and a paper questionnaire will be sent to you.

April 20-27: If you have not yet submitted your Census information, you will be sent a final reminder and a notification that you may be visited by a Census taker.

Road to the 2020 Census

2020 Census Operational Timeline



U.S. Department of Commerce
Economics and Statistics Administration
U.S. CENSUS BUREAU
[census.gov](https://www.census.gov)

Source: [U.S. Census Bureau](https://www.census.gov)

Why is the 2020 Census important to my community?

- The Census is used to apportion representation in the US House of Representatives as mandated by Article 1, Section 2 of the US Constitution.
- The Census is also used in drawing the boundaries of congressional and state legislative districts, as well as voting precincts.
- Census data is used in enforcing voting rights and civil rights legislation.

- Census counts are used by federal agencies to distribute over \$675 billion federal dollars to states and local municipalities.
- Census information is used extensively by private businesses, government agencies, and service providers like hospitals and public water utilities.

Is filling out the 2020 Census difficult?

Filling out the 2020 Census is easy and consists of nine questions.

The Census will ask you about:

- Your age and sex
- Your race and ancestry
- How many people are living at the address

The Census will not ask you about:

- Your social security number
- If you are, or are not, a citizen
- Your income

Households will be able to respond to the 2020 Census online, over the phone, or through a paper questionnaire. The sample paper questionnaire below does not include some features that will be made available to households starting in March 2020, such as the URL for online response and the contact information for phone response.

Is my information confidential?

Any information you provide to the Census, either online or in paper form will remain confidential. Federal law requires that Census data only be used for statistical purposes. For more information, [view the 2020 Census and Confidentiality](#) brochure.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Will a Census taker visit my home?

If you fill out the Census form online, or mail in a completed paper form, no Census staff will come to your home. If a Census taker does visit your address, he or she will show you identification, and will not step inside your home.

Can I fill out the Census online or over the phone?

Yes. In March of 2020, each mailing address in the County will be mailed a postcard with directions on how to fill out the Census online, or over the phone.

Will the Census send me an email?

No. The Census will contact you by mail or by phone.



**The Garage
Community &
Youth Center
10th Annual Holiday
Auction
December 7, 2019
7-10 PM**

The Garage Community & Youth Center is hosting their 10th Annual Holiday Auction on Saturday December 7, 2019 from 7-10PM. The event will be held at the Kennett Square Garage (115 S. Union St. Kennett Square, PA 19348) and is being sponsored by Genesis Healthcare, Phillips Mushroom, DNB First, Warfel Construction, and Hilton Garden Inn.

The event will feature heavy hors d'oeuvres, desserts, open bar featuring local beer and wine, raffles and a silent and live auction. Some highlights of the auction include trips, experience opportunities, gift certificates, baskets, bundles, and more!

The Garage is a key part of the community, providing support and resources to over 500 at-risk middle and high school students annually. 100% of the proceeds will go to support their after-school tutoring, mentoring, community service, and enrichment programs.

Tickets are \$45 and can be purchased online at <http://2019garageholidayauction.eventbrite.com>

To learn more about The Garage or the upcoming Holiday Auction, please visit www.garageyouthcenter.org or contact Kristin Proto at 610-444-6464 Kristin.proto@garageyouthcenter.org. Like The Garage on facebook, instagram, or twitter @garageyouth



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**LYCEUM HALL
NEW GARDEN TOWNSHIP PARK**

Tuesday evenings 6:00-7:00pm

\$12/class

contact: hilary@the-growing-room.com

Mysteries of Medicare: Things to Know about Medicare's Annual Open Enrollment Period

October 15 –
December 7, 2019

Did you know that once a year during the Medicare Annual Open Enrollment Period (AOEP), you can make changes to your Medicare Prescription Drug Plan (Part D) or your Medicare Advantage Plan (Part C)?

Every year between October 15 and December 7 you have the opportunity to review the coverage of your current plans for the coming year, and if you want, change plans. If you decide to make a plan change, it will become effective January 1, 2020.

Why would you need to make a change? Each year these plans are allowed to make changes to their benefits, network areas, the formulary, copays, drug tiers, and/or premiums. These changes may

put you at risk for a cost you might not have expected. Every plan is required to provide you in writing the changes they will be making for the new year; these notifications are called Annual Notice of Change (ANOC) and will outline what changes to expect in your plans. You need to review these carefully to see if the changes could affect you.

When you evaluate the changes to your Medicare Advantage plan be sure to check thoroughly their provider network of doctors, hospitals and outpatient facilities. Review their costs per day in the hospital or skilled care facility, and what costs you may incur for doctor visits (copays). Review the Prescription Drug Plan formulary to be sure the drugs you take are included. In addition, will your plan still be available in the area where you live?

If you have coverage through a retirement plan from your previous employer, your employer is required to provide you a written notice of any changes by September 30. The dates for making any changes to these plans may be different from the Medicare Annual Open Enrollment Period, so be sure to verify what those dates are.

One more note – Medicare Supplement Plans (Medigaps) are not affected by the AOEP. If you try to change your Medicare Supplement Plan you may be subject to medical underwriting if you are not in a “guaranteed issue” period. Note thought: if you have a Medigap plan, you

may have a stand-alone Prescription Drug Plan which **can** be changed during AOEP.

APPRISE counseling is FREE, unbiased, personalized and confidential. Appointments to review your Medicare options for 2020 are available in many locations in Chester County, including senior centers, township buildings, libraries and the Chester County Government Services Center. Contact the senior centers directly to schedule appointments at their location.



For other locations call 610-344-5234 (after September 15th) to leave a message and an APPRISE volunteer will contact you within one business day to schedule your appointment.

For individuals who will be new to Medicare, please call the general Helpline 610-344-5004 for assistance or one of the senior centers directly. You can find additional information on the APPRISE webpage <https://chesco.org/477/Apprise-Medicare-Counseling>



BLUE DEMONS SPORTS



LACROSSE

The Kennett Area Park and Recreation Board (KAPRB) offers quality recreational programs for families in the Kennett Area and improves, develops, and manages park facilities.

Fall Programs

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| KAPRB Blue Demons Field Hockey | The Fall Field Hockey program is offered to K-8 th grade girls and boys. Teams practice weekly with Saturday games |
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Winter Programs

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| KAPRB Jr. Basketball | This fun and competitive basketball program is for boys and girls in grades 3-8. Play begins in December and ends in March. Practices and games are held at local schools with games on Saturdays. |
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Spring Programs

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| KAPRB Blue Demons Girls Lacrosse | Our Spring Girls Lacrosse program is for girls in grades 1-6. Teams practice twice a week with weekly games. The program runs from March - May. |
| Kennett-Unionville Boys Lacrosse | Our Spring Boys Lacrosse program is for boys 5-14 years of age. Teams practice twice a week with weekly games. The program runs from March - May. |
| KAPRB Spring High School Basketball | This league is for boys in grades 9-12. Fun and competitive games will be played at local schools. The season runs from March - May. |
| KAPRB Co-Ed Softball | This league is for men and women who are 18 years of age or older. The league is played at Pennock Park on Monday - Thursday. The program runs from April - August. |
| KAPRB Men's Softball | This league is for men who are 18 years of age or older. The league plays on Sunday mornings only. All games are at Pennock Park. The program runs from April - August. |

Summer Programs

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| KAPRB Summer Adventure Camp | KAPRB Summer Adventure Camp provides 3-4 field trips each week to fun and educational locations. Children enjoy arts and crafts, science projects, cooking, visits from local first responders and non-profits, and learn various sports. The program runs for 8 weeks. |
| Summer Clinics | KAPRB offers sports clinics designed to provide fundamental instruction for the new player and some intermediate and advanced skill development for the more experienced player. Clinics include boys and girls lacrosse, field hockey, basketball, and volleyball. The program is once a week for 8 weeks. |

Herb Pennock Park 650 W. South Street Kennett Square, PA 19348
www.kaprb.org

2019 Municipal General Election

By: Chris Robinson

The 2019 Municipal General Election occurs on Tuesday, November 5th. Positions on the ballot are: Two Township Supervisors seats, Township Auditor, District Attorney, Recorder of Deeds, Sheriff, Prothonotary, Register of Wills, School Director, County Commissioner, Magisterial District Judge, Judge of the Court of Common Pleas and Judge of the Superior Court.

Where to Vote in New Garden Township

VOTE

Tuesday

November 5th

7AM - 8PM

Instructions

- 1) Locate where you live.
- 2) Note the Precinct number of the colored area.
- 3) Match the Precinct number with the Voting Station (star) symbol to locate its polling place.

- NG North Precinct 385
- NG South 1 Precinct 390
- NG South 2 Precinct 391

- ★ Voting Station for Precinct 385
BANCROFT ELEM. SCHOOL, 181 BANCROFT ROAD
- ★ Voting Station for Precinct 391
KENNETT MIDDLE SCHOOL, 195 SUNNY DELL ROAD
- ★ Voting Station for Precinct 390
NEW GARDEN TOWNSHIP BUILDING, 288 STARR ROAD

— Streams
— Roads

There are three Election Boards in New Garden Township serving three respective precincts each containing a polling station (where to vote). Referring to the map, Precinct 385 serves the north part of the Township where its [registered voters](#) vote in the Bancroft Elementary School. Precinct 390 serves the middle part where the Township building houses its polling station. Precinct 391 serves the southern portion of the Township. The Kennett Middle School provides the polling station for its residents.

All the Election Boards are managed by three elected officials and volunteers (“clerks”). Three elected positions are for Judge of Elections, Majority Inspector and Minority Inspector. If an Inspector isn’t present or available then the Judge selects one for that Election Day. Inspectors and clerks operate the voting machines, record the voter’s name and account for the ballots cast. The day is long for the board members, some attending the polling station for the entire day. Setup is 6AM. Voting begins at 7AM and closes 8PM sharp. Then, depending on the number of voters that day, the process can take another two-three hours counting ballots, tabulating the vote and two members delivering the ballots to West Chester Voter Services. Members of the Election Board are compensated for their duties.

Turnout for the November General Election is always higher than the previous Primary Election in May (see

table). Independent voters participate in the General election, or adding twenty percent more voters. In total about 6,860 registered voters can participate in the November.

Starting with the November election new voting equipment will be used to comply with the state mandate to upgrade equipment before the Presidential Election in November 2020. For details go to: <https://chesco.org/3930/New-Voting-Equipment>.

Consider volunteering for your Election Board. To apply contact your Election Board or talk with your precinct’s Judge of Election the next time you vote. Or, go to [Chesco.org](https://chesco.org) for details.

| May 2019 Primary Election Results | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Precint | Registered | Democratic | Republican | Independent |
| 385 | 1837 | 893 | 944 | n/a |
| 390 | 1836 | 757 | 1079 | n/a |
| 391 | 1693 | 790 | 903 | n/a |
| | Total Voted | Democratic | Republican | Independent |
| 385 | 207 | 113 | 94 | n/a |
| 390 | 196 | 87 | 109 | n/a |
| 391 | 230 | 133 | 97 | n/a |
| | Turnout | Democratic | Republican | Independent |
| 385 | 11% | 12% | 10% | n/a |
| 390 | 10% | 11% | 10% | n/a |
| 391 | 13% | 16% | 10% | n/a |



Begin your journey here

Reach Out and Teach Someone

Be a volunteer tutor with the Adult Literacy Program

The Adult Literacy Program is housed within the Kennett Library and provides free literacy and language instruction for educationally-disadvantaged adults so as to equip them with the knowledge and skills necessary for gainful employment and self-sufficiency. The program offers instruction of English as a Second Language (ESL) to adults in our community in both day and evening classes, offered from September to May in Kennett Square, West Grove, and Oxford. Students are also given the opportunity to work one-on-one with a tutor.



Adriana Zavala passed her GED test in April

Tutors meet with individual students to help them speak and comprehend, read, and write English. Some tutors also help students striving to prepare for General Equivalency Diploma (GED) tests and others teach Civics to students who are studying to take the American citizenship test.

The requirement for becoming a volunteer tutor involves a three-hour training workshop, then dedicating at least one hour a week to work with a student. Tutors choose the days and times when

they wish to work, and no previous experience nor foreign language ability is required. The Adult Literacy Program's volunteer tutors often remark that they find the experience rewarding in many ways, as they are making a difference in someone's life by helping the student to become self-sufficient. Through learning together, both tutor and student discover the power of knowledge. It is a wonderful way to give to our community!

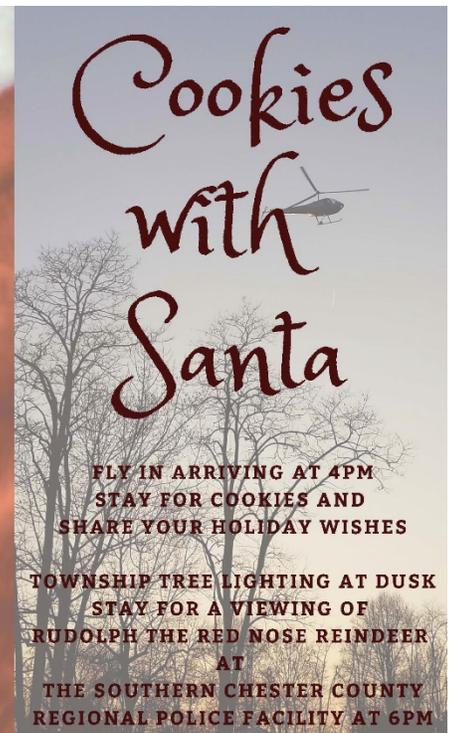
If interested in ESL classes or in becoming a volunteer tutor, please contact Adult Literacy Program director, Filomena Elliott, at 610-444-9118 or by email at felliott@ccls.org.



New American citizen, Rodrigo Zurita, helped by ALP tutor John Jackson, passed the citizenship test in June, 2019.



**NEW GARDEN PARK
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1ST, 4 PM**



*Cookies
with
Santa*

FLY IN ARRIVING AT 4PM
STAY FOR COOKIES AND
SHARE YOUR HOLIDAY WISHES

TOWNSHIP TREE LIGHTING AT DUSK
STAY FOR A VIEWING OF
RUDOLPH THE RED NOSE REINDEER
AT
THE SOUTHERN CHESTER COUNTY
REGIONAL POLICE FACILITY AT 6PM

How to Become a Volunteer at Your Local Fire Station

Fire stations across Chester County are in need of volunteers like you who are ready to help save lives and protect property right in their own backyard. That's why last year the Chester County Fire Chiefs Association launched HelpFightFire.com to help make it easy to understand the many volunteer opportunities available. Plus there's a volunteer inquiry form you can fill out that will allow members of your local fire station to contact you about your interest in becoming a volunteer and answer any questions you may have.

There are several ways to serve your local station, with open positions that will perfectly match your talents:

Firefighters: As a volunteer firefighter, you'll learn skills like how to advance a hose line, perform search-and-rescue operations, and position ladders strategically. We'll give you the training and equipment needed to stay safe at no cost to you..

EMTs: Our volunteer EMTs help save lives by transporting the sick and injured to the hospital. You'll be there to respond to specialized calls like auto accidents, carbon monoxide alarms and other rescue calls. Again, the training and equipment will be provided for free.

Fire Police: Help keep an emergency situation safe by directing traffic and crowds and providing general assistance to other first responders.

Junior Firefighters: Teens at least 14 years old can gain experience around a fire house as a junior firefighter. You'll lend a hand and begin fire training that will prepare you to become a full member at 18 years old. Volunteering as a junior firefighter is also a great way to secure community service hours and looks great on a college resume.

Administrative Volunteers: Non-emergency volunteers can also play a huge role. They help teach fire safety, assist in fundraising events, help with bookkeeping, human resources, website maintenance and other responsibilities. Whatever your skill set, we can use it!

By joining our team, you'll help make us stronger and your community safer. So what are you waiting for? Go to HelpFightFire.com. Volunteer today. Chester County lives depend on it.



AIRPORT NEWS

N57- Not just an airport, also a destination.

Learn To Fly

Visit New Garden Flight Connection for information on what it takes to become a pilot. **Gift certificates available.**
www.newgardenflightconnection.com

Fit2Fly - Fitness Class Coming to N57

Stay active and healthy and keep in shape to remain **PILOT IN COMMAND**. Stay tuned for a group exercise class starting in October with Rachael Martin (Certified Personal Trainer). Group exercise classes are just \$10 per person and will be offered in the Future Aviators Pavilion at N57. [Email Rachael to register](mailto:fitrachael@gmail.com) for more info. (fitrachael@gmail.com)



Active Summer at N57

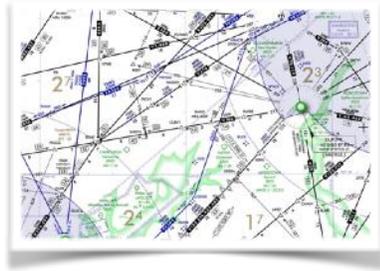
Future Aviators Pavilion GRAND OPENING

Construction for the Future Aviators pavilion was completed just in time for the GRAND OPENING on May 18th. The addition of the pavilion provides a headquarters during camp week for the Future Aviators Program as well as a place for the community during the year to come to the airport and watch the excitement on the runway. The pavilion is conveniently situated on the hill across from the EAA overlooking the runway but also right across from our newly developed nature and fitness trail along the north section of the airport.



With the construction now finalized we were able to use the new pavilion for both weeks of our Future Aviators Camp this year. This provided a true test to the new facility and it was FABULOUS! *Looking for a unique place to host a party or family reunion? Give us a call we are booking parties for 2020.*

New Garden Flying Field



N57 GPS Approach

We all are anxiously awaiting our new GPS approach(s) into the airport. Over the last several years we have spent a great deal of time and finances on preparing the airport by remediating all obstructions to allow for a new updated approach into the airport. As scheduled and announced we were expecting the first of these approaches to be a RNAV followed by a LPV approach into both Runway 24 and 06. The new RNAVs were scheduled to be published 12/2019. Most recently looking at the IFP Gateway it looks like these were pushed back till March 2020. We are looking into this situation to get a clear understanding of the delay. Once we know more we will let you know as soon as possible. Please know that with the VOR approach not available, this is a major concern for the Airport and we are doing what we can to help the process.

Airport Contact

Jon Martin, Aviation Director
610-268-2619
jmartin@newgarden.org

Run the Runway 5K

June 1st working with the YMCA of the Brandywine Valley we hosted the Girls on the Run and Stride 5K event at the airport. Throughout the year thousands of young girls and boys participate in the Girls on the Run and Stride programs through their schools promoting positive life choices, promoting individual confidence through running. At the end of the year all of these youngsters are encouraged to participate in a 5K run. Last year N57's Run the Runway was selected as a perfect venue for this event and we could not be happier. This year we had perfect weather and close to 3000 runners on the course.



Chester County Balloon Festival

Over the last 5 years we have partnered with the Chester County Balloon Festival to bring this event to New Garden Township. It was an exciting year attracting close to 25,000 people to the airport for the festival. This year was the last year of the contract to host the event at N57. We look forward to watching the success continue in its new location in future years. Though we have enjoyed our time over the last 5 years partnering, organizing and running the event with the CCBF, all parties have agreed with the growth of the airport a new location is best suited for all involved. This being said we will continue to support this major Chester County event for many years to come in its new location.



Future Aviators Summer Camp

This summer was the 11th year of our aviation exposure summer camp. Excitingly we attracted 158 campers this year to the program. The new Future Aviators Pavilion offered a new location for home base for the camp during camp weeks in July and August. This year we reached over 1200 introductory flights as part of camp working with our flight school, New Garden Flight Connection. Truly our favorite time of year at the airport is sharing our passion for flight with hundreds of youngsters from all over the US. ***Make sure to check out some of the Future Aviators videos on our Aviation Director, Jonathan Martin's, YouTube Channel. [CLICK HERE.](#)***



Festival of Flight Air and Car Show

The 48th annual air show at New Garden Flying Field did not disappoint.

“For those who place the annual Festival of Flight and Car Show at the New Garden Flying Field on their yearly calendar, the events of this past weekend's festival brought back all of the familiar sounds and sights of what has become a local tradition.

Fortified by a pancake breakfast at EAA Chapter 240, visitors strolled down the hill to mix and mingle with pilots, parachuters and antique car owners, as part of a whirlwind schedule of demonstrations and performances on Aug. 17 and 18. On the western end of the flying field, a fleet of military aircraft shone in the weekend sun while attendees peeked under the hoods of two dozen classic vehicles that were on display near the festival entrance. Those who needed to take a break from the visual and historical showcase were treated to performances by America's Sweethearts, who performed hit tunes from the 1930s and 1940s; and private flights above Toughkenamon, Landenberg and Avondale.” **Richard Gaw**
Chester County Press

Check out our Aviation Director's YouTube Channel on “Behind the Scenes at the air show” for a unique perspective on the 2019 Festival of Flight Air and Car at N57 and an up close view of the aircraft and stars of the show. [Click Here.](#)



Scout Completes Eagle Project @ New Garden Flying Field

We are honored Paul Hammond selected N57 to complete his community project as a requirement to earn his rank of Eagle Scout. In past years Paul has attended our Future Aviators Camp as a young camper and has grown to now be part of our Leadership Team as a counselor. Paul now has joined the flight school and is well on his way working towards obtaining his private pilot license. As well as being an accomplished student athlete, Paul has been active in Scouts working towards obtaining his Eagle rank. This

Summer Paul, with the help of his dad, built much needed benches and a kiosk along our new nature trail at the airport. Paul, congratulations on a job well done and we look forward to watching your future success! Great work!



New Garden Flying Field Maintenance Department

Our goal is to create long term relationships with our aviation customers based on ***trust, reliability, safety and unparalleled customer service.*** We have listened and look forward to working with you now and in the future, keeping you and your aircraft in the air.

Opening in April, under the management of the Airport and located in the Aviation Center, we are pleased to report things have been very busy. From annual inspections, ADSB solutions, fabric restorations, to Avionics installs we are here to help you. Give us a call today to schedule your routine maintenance, engine install, ADSB solution or instrument panel upgrade. 610-268-2619.



To Schedule
Call 610-268-2619

\$20.00 Off
OIL CHANGE



*Offer good for oil changes scheduled before November 2019
- Must hand in this coupon at the time of service to be valid.*

[Check out New Garden Flying Field on FaceBook. Follow us today!](#)



New Garden Township Police Facility Dedication Ceremony

The Southern Chester County Regional Police Department would like to thank the New Garden Township Board of Supervisors and all the various members of the community that took the time out of their busy schedules to join us for the Building Dedication Ceremony on Saturday, September 21, 2019.

Please view our Quarterly Report, which will be out by the end of the month, for more information on the Police Department. In the mean time, feel free to read the following articles, courtesy of Chester County Press:

[A New Home for Community Policing](#)

[A new home opens for Southern Chester County Regional Police](#)



A Note from Chief Gerald R. Simpson

It is without reservation; I can state that the endeavor to design and build a Police Facility has been the most significant project I have ever been involved of in my 36 years of law enforcement. And, like every project before, it took time, a team effort and support.

First, to the New Garden Board of Supervisors, who demonstrated a tremendous amount of courage and wherewithal to move this 20-year-old task forward to its conclusion.

To the former employees of the New Garden Township Police Department and the current dedicated men and women of the Southern Chester County Regional Police Department--- your patience and resilience, enduring conditions that were less than ideal and at times unsafe for that, I admire you and thank you for your trust!

To our residents and partners throughout Chester County whom aid us in countless ways in our efforts to keep this community a safe place to live, work and visit. You have provided for us the means to accomplish our divine mission--- we deeply appreciate your unwavering support.

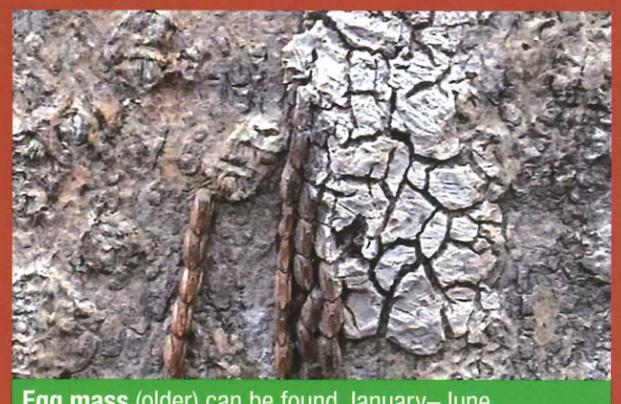
Finally, to Mr. Tony Scheivert --- truly this could not have been accomplished without your guidance. I am forever grateful to you and your family for all your sacrifice.

There is no way this was happening without the synergy of this awesome team of dedicated public servants!

With sincere gratitude to those mentioned and unnamed!

STOP THIS INVADER!

SPOTTED LANTERNFLY



THIS INVASIVE INSECT POSES A SIGNIFICANT THREAT to Pennsylvania agriculture, including the grape, tree fruit, hardwood, and nursery industries, which are collectively worth nearly \$18 billion to the state's economy.

REPORT spotted lanternfly sightings at extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly.

DESTROY all life stages that you find. Check your car and outdoor equipment before traveling.

SHARE your knowledge with others!

For more information, visit extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly or call 1-888-4BAD-FLY (1-888-422-3359).

New Garden History Panel at Community Day

“The New Garden Lyceum Hall: Its Past, Present, and Future”



Place:In the Lyceum Hall. **When:**Saturday, October 19th, 3 PM. **Where:**Near the entrance to New Garden Township Park. A panel discussion focusing on the Lyceum Hall located in the historic district of the Township Park and currently undergoing restoration.

Speakers:

- Michael Emmons, Architectural Historian, University of Delaware, and a specialist in historical graffiti.
- Margaret Jones, New Garden Township Historical Commission, author of a history of the Lyceum Hall.
- Catherine Morrissey, Assistant Director, Center for Historic Architecture and Design, University of Delaware, and author of a study of the architecture of the Lyceum Hall.
- Moderator: Michael Leja, New Garden Township Historical Commission.

This pre-Civil War building is a unique example of standing history in Chester County. Come to New Garden's Historical Commission's History Panel at Community Day to learn about the building's architecture, its varied and important uses during the past hundred and sixty years and the exciting plans for its future.

Admission is free. Seating is limited; early arrival recommended.



New Garden Township Historical Commission 2019

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