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Business Advisory Committee – as needed

Communications Committee – as needed

Emergency Services Comm.....5:00 pm
2nd Tuesday each month

Environmental Advisory Committee
4th Tuesday each month 7:30 pm

Historical Commission
4th Tuesday each month 7:00 pm

Land Conservation Advisory Committee
3rd Thursday each month..... 7:00 pm

Planning Commission
2nd Tuesday each month 7:00 pm
1st Tuesday each month 6:30 pm

Safety Committee
2nd Wednesday each month 7:00 pm

Trails & Sidewalks Committee
1st Tuesday each month 1:00 pm

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KENNETT TOWNSHIP EMERGENCY SERVICES

By Kennett Township Supervisors

Township emergency services are not only necessary, but critical for the safety and health of residents. In light of the Township tax of 1.9 mills enacted on December 6, 2017, residents might be interested in some additional information regarding service needs and budgeting.

In January, a postcard was mailed to all residents which provided notice of this increase. This postcard was necessary as not all residents would or could attend the December Board of Supervisors meeting where the increase was discussed and approved. We agree that any new tax can be disconcerting, but as residents ourselves, it is comforting to know that the Township police department and fire companies are on a solid financial footing with sufficient resources to protect the community.

The police department was initiated in 2008 as a one-man force and it has gradually increased over the years. As of 2018, there are now 7 full-time and 2 part-time officers serving the Township, and those officers are all continually busy providing 24/7 service to the community. The services provided are greater than that previously provided by the State Police (as good and respected as they justifiably are) because our officers are responsible for a larger list of duties which the State Police are not permitted to address. In addition, the State Police unfortunately do not have the resources to provide timely police coverage. **Any delay in emergency service response time is critical as one would suspect.** The Township officers are on the scene within minutes for emergency calls as was evidenced recently saving a life. Residents who had previously expressed concern about the need for a Kennett Township police force became very supportive of the police department after experiencing the rapid response time and increased set of services. The difference was dramatic. Now, the vast majority of 911 calls requiring a police response are answered by one of the Township officers which allows service within minutes.

The EMS tax also includes partial operating costs and capital equipment purchases for both Kennett and Longwood Fire Companies. In October 2017, Kennett Township along with five (5) other municipalities created an Emergency Services Commission to ensure that fire company costs are evenly distributed for all the municipalities they serve. This allows the commission to more accurately forecast fire and ambulance service expenses over a three (3) year period. Over the past nine (9) years, the Township funded

the police and fire departments using accumulated reserves from the earned income tax enacted in 1998. Normally, municipal police and fire departments are funded using an Emergency

Services tax, which was not considered by the 2007 board. In addition, in 2013 the Board of Supervisors lowered the tax rate resulting in a faster depletion of those reserves which in 2017 were at a critical minimum. **Action was needed**, and as a result the Board determined that the responsible and necessary action was to appropriately fund Emergency Services with a dedicated tax starting in 2018.

2018 Township costs for Emergency Services (police, fire and ambulance services) will be almost \$1.6 million.

This cost is necessary to not only properly protect the safety and welfare of residents, those in surrounding areas, and the

officers and safety personnel themselves, but is also the Board's commitment to provide an adequate, professional and fully functioning police department.

A single property tax of 1.9 mills for a dedicated fund creates visibility for the use funds. The website <http://kennett.pa.us/160/Tax-Information> has a calculator for residents to estimate their Township property and earned income taxes and obtain other information. It should be noted that the tax burden on township residents, even with the addition of this Emergency Services property tax, is still well within the range of surrounding municipalities, yet several of those do not offer the same level of EMS services provided by the Township.

The Board of Supervisors' public meetings are the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays each month at 7pm. We appreciate your concerns and are ready to answer any questions about any aspect of Kennett Township government, and hope to see you at a meeting!

THE EMERGENCY SERVICES TAX PROVIDES FUNDING FOR OUR EMERGENCY SERVICES PROVIDERS.

For 2018, Kennett Township has implemented a 0.0019mil tax increase based on the assessed value of each property. This increase will help fund our local Police, Fire, Rescue and EMT departments.

Example Assessment:

\$400,000 x 0.0019 = \$760 tax.

PLEASE NOTE: Your property assessment is not the retail value of your home and is calculated by the Chester County Assessment office. The Emergency Services Tax will be shown separately on your tax bill from Berkeheimer.

Questions? Please contact the Township Manager, Lisa Moore at lisa.moore@kennett.pa.us or 610-388-1300

**YOUR
SAFETY
IS OUR
PRIORITY!**

The emergency services fund tax allotment provides funding for our emergency services providers who responded to over 6,500 emergency calls just in Kennett Township in 2017!

Sidewalks Project

Kennett Township was awarded a \$850k grant to install sidewalks on McFarlan and Rosedale Roads, from the Penns Manor development entrance on Old Baltimore Pike to Mill Road and on Cypress Street from Kennett Borough to Scarlett Road in New Garden Township. Construction has started and will be completed by the end of May. In addition, we received an additional grant in the amount of \$700k to extend the sidewalks from McFarlan and Rosedale Roads to Old Baltimore Pike. The construction for those sidewalks will begin in the Fall of 2019. We also applied for grants to extend the sidewalks from Old Baltimore Pike to Schoolhouse Road to provide a connection to Walmart and from Old Baltimore Pike to Kennett Borough. We are extremely proud and excited to have these sidewalks implemented to increase pedestrian access to the Borough and surrounding areas.

Grants

Kennett Township received approximately \$5m in grants to implement projects within the last two years. They include sidewalk projects as listed above, resurfacing existing trails in the Township so they have a more durable surface to last a long time, creation of an Active Transportation Plan, implementation of a trail along Chandler Mill Road and the rehab of the Chandler Mill Bridge, trails in Penns Manor Development and along South Street from Pennock Park to Kennett Borough.

Economic Development and Zoning for Kennett Township and Kennett Borough

Kennett Township and Borough of Kennett Square completed an Economic Development Strategy and Implementation Plan for redevelopment/development in focus areas within the Borough and Township. The study was completed using County grant funding and public and private funding utilizing **4ward Planning** as the consultant. They focused on the following (7) seven focus areas: The State Street Corridor; the Cypress Street corridor; the Birch Street corridor from Walnut Street to Broad Street; the area known as Millers Hill, which is on the eastern border between the Borough and the Township; the Ways Lane area of the Township; the area on the west side of Mill Road in Kennett Township; and the former NVF site in the Borough. The study is complete and available on the Township website. The Township and the Borough received a joint County grant to amend the zoning in the focus areas in order to move forward with the implementation of the study. The Township and the Borough hired an Economic Development Director to work with both municipalities underneath Historic Kennett Square.

Community Based Land Stewardship Program

Our Land Stewardship Program has numerous presentations and events scheduled for 2018 including Butterfly Garden Planting, Land Stewardship Presentation by Tom Brightman of Longwood Gardens, What's Buzzin in Your Gardens and Managing Woodlands. In addition, there will be invasive and native plant education series at the Barkingfield Park. These programs will be posted on our website and facebook. For specific information contact Kathryn Freilich at Kathryn.freilich@kennett.pa.us.

Indoor Agriculture

Our consultant is in the process of completing a feasibility study for an Indoor Agriculture Center of Excellence jointly with Kennett Borough and New Garden Township. The feasibility study will be presented at the Board of Supervisors meeting on June 6th.

County Ordinance Review

The Township is working with the Chester County Planning Commission on a comprehensive review of Township Ordinances paid for by a Vision Partnership Grant. Work will be done during the Planning Commission's monthly work sessions, which are now the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm in the Townships public meeting room.

5 Points Intersection

We have decided, with the input of residents, to apply for grants to install a Round-a-bout at Five Points (Kaolin, Hillendale and Old Kennett Roads). A PennDOT grant round will be opening in July and we plan to apply for that grant for approximately \$2.8m

Landscapes 3 Public Meeting

As part of the Steering Committee for the Chester County Planning Commission Landscapes 3 it is important to receive input from Township residents. Our next public meeting to receive input is on May 16th from 5:30 – 7:30 pm at The Public Safety Training Campus in Coatesville. We hope you will attend and provide us with valuable input.

Holiday Village

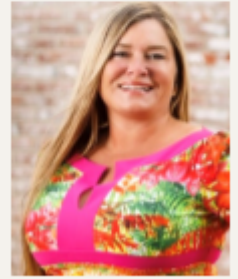
Kennett Township, Kennett Borough and Historic Kennett Square worked together to hold the second annual Holiday Village in the Kennett Square area in December of 2017 held at the Creamery in the Borough. The Holiday Village was a huge success with over 8,000 in attendance. The 2018 Holiday Village will be held on **December 1st, 2nd, 8th and 9th from 11 am – 5 pm**. There will be vendors, ice sculptures, live music, food trucks and craft lessons. In addition, we will have Santa Claus! Please check out the website for more information kennetholidayvillage.com
*Special thanks to Supervisor Hoffman for her vision to create such an amazing Holiday Village!

MS4/Stormwater Basins

As part of the Townships MS4 requirements, property owners who have stormwater basins are starting to receive letters from me along with initial reports on the status of their Stormwater basins. Property owners are required to have corrections made and report back to the Township within six months. Property owners are responsible for the ongoing maintenance of their basins and must be inspected by a certified engineer every two years.

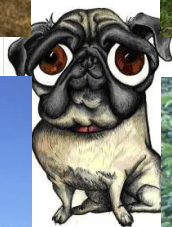
Township Manager's Corner

By Lisa M. Moore



Have You Visited Barkingfield Park?

With over 45 acres of pristine Open Space, there is so much to enjoy at Barkingfield Park! Enjoy lunch on a bench overlooking the meadow, play a card game on the picnic table at the pavilion, arrange a story time with your kids and their friends, take a leisurely hike through blooming cherry trees or the mowed paths, or enjoy some outdoor time with your four legged friends at the dog park! Barkingfield Park is located behind the Maintenance Garage/Recycling Center at 557 Bayard Road and is open from Dawn to Dusk.



Mark Your Calendar!

A REMINDER FROM THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Don't forget the Kennett Township Historical Commission meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Township building on Burrows Run Road. All are welcome to join us as we focus on collecting, preserving and sharing our Township's history. If you'd like to see what we've got, or if you have any items you'd like to donate, please let us know. We welcome contributions of books, pamphlets, letters, photos and other memorabilia.

Contact Sara Meadows at 610-388-1300 or sara.meadows@kennett.pa.us to set up an appointment.

Despite having to reschedule due to snow and unseasonably cold temperatures and rain the day of the event, over 600 volunteers still had the tenacity to turn out for the 30th Annual Red Clay Valley Clean Up on Sunday, April 15th. In less than four hours these volunteers collected 75 cubic yards of trash and litter, enough to fill two and a half dumpsters, in addition to 83 tires. This is a reduction of trash on the roads and a significant reduction in tires compared to previous years. The Clean Up covered over 90 miles of streams and roadways in the Red Clay Watershed, much of which is in Kennett Township. It also includes Anson B. Nixon Park, one of the staging areas in Kennett Township.

The Clean Up is sponsored by Brandywine Red Clay Alliance with additional support provided by many local organization and businesses in PA and Delaware, including Delaware Nature Society, Mt. Cuba Center, Red Clay Valley Scenic Byway Alliance, Kennett Area

More than 600 Participate in the Red Clay Valley Clean Up

Park Authority, Kennett Township, Phillips Mushroom Farms, Wild Birds Unlimited-Hockessin, WSFS, Constellation - an Exelon Company, Chandler Funeral Homes, Starbucks Coffee Company and Chatham Financial

Along with many residents from Kennett Township and the watershed, many student groups came out, including Kennett High School National Honor Society, Walk in Knowledge (WIN), Unionville High School

Interact and Boy Scout Troop 22.

Jim Jordan, Brandywine Red Clay Alliance Executive Director and Chair of the Clean Up said he "continues to be amazed by the enthusiasm and dedication of all of our volunteers, both young and old, as well as the businesses that sponsor and support this endeavor; all working together towards a cleaner watershed."



SCRAP METAL RECYCLING STATION

Acceptable Materials

- ✓ STEEL
- ✓ ALUMINUM
- ✓ COPPER
- ✓ BRASS
- ✓ STAINLESS



WARNING



Materials Not Accepted/Restricted

Propane Tanks - Closed Vessels/Containers including Gas Tanks - Boilers - Heat Exchangers
Refrigerators with Freon - Air Conditioners with Freon - Fire Extinguishers - Aerosol Cans
Dirt/Degrils - Asphalt/Concrete - Batteries - Hazardous Waste - Asbestos Containing Materials
Radioactive Materials - Explosives - Chemicals - Furniture including Mattresses - Wood
Household Garbage - Porcelain Toilets - Televisions - Computers/Monitors - Copiers

*If you have any questions about what can/cannot be recycled...
please contact us at... 610-388-1300 or www.kennett.pa.us*

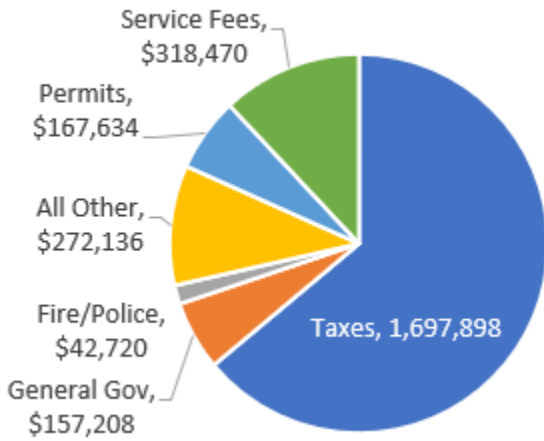


Scrap metal can now be recycled at the Township Recycling Center instead of putting it out for the trash. The Recycling Center, 557 Bayard Road, Kennett Square 19348, is open for Township Residents from dusk to dawn every day of the week.

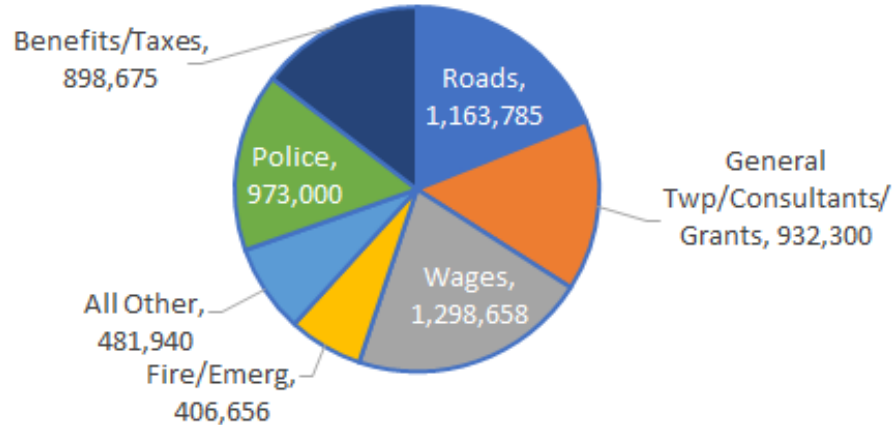
2017 Financial Snapshot

A brief review of major expenses and revenues

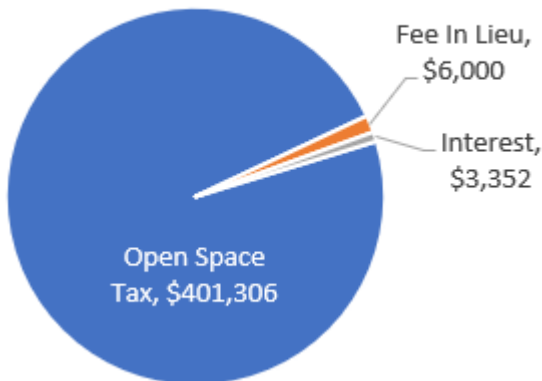
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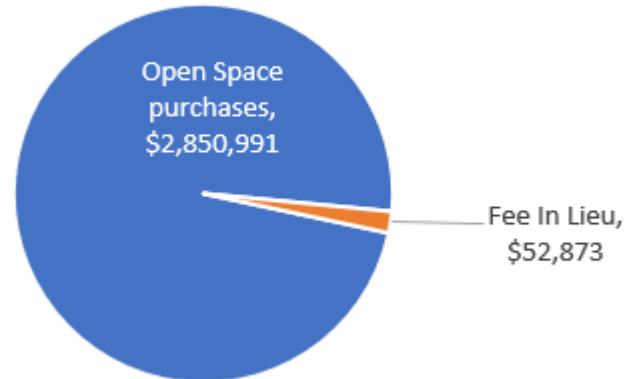
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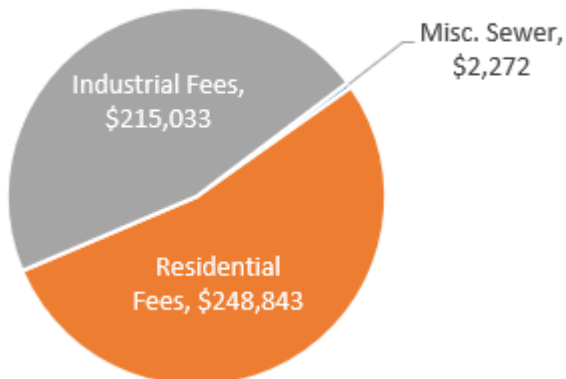
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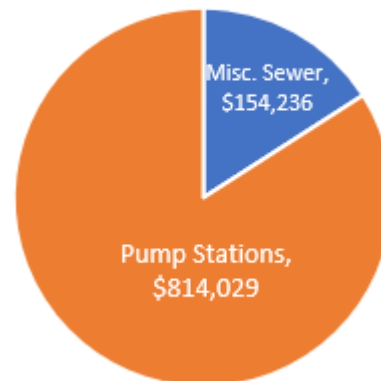
Open Space Expenses



Sewer Revenue



Sewer Expenses



Police News

By Lydell E. Nolt, Chief of Police

Pedestrian Safety

Everyone is a pedestrian. Crossing the street to get to work? Walking through the parking lot as you enter the mall? Jogging along the side of the road for a workout? You're a pedestrian. And in 2013, a pedestrian was killed on average every 2 hours*. Do you know how to stay safe when you're on foot and sharing the road with vehicles?

YIELD TO PEDESTRIAN

Pennsylvania law requires the operator of a vehicle to yield the right of way to a pedestrian crossing a roadway within any marked crosswalk or within any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection where there are no traffic controls or traffic controls are not in operation. Violators of the law are subject to a \$50 fine.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY TIPS

- Wear light-colored, reflective clothing so you can be seen.
- Walk against traffic.
- Make eye contact with motorists before crossing the street.
- Be aware of your surroundings



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Bicycle Safety and Pennsylvania Laws

When you're commuting on your bike, you're likely to share the road with cars. If you know the laws, safety rules, and have the right attitude, you can be a confident, streetwise cyclist.

Pennsylvania's [Motor Vehicle Code](#) considers "pedal cycles" as vehicles and provides that every person riding a pedal cycle upon a roadway shall be granted all of the rights and responsibilities applicable to a driver of a vehicle, with certain exceptions discussed below.

If you ride in violation of the traffic laws, you greatly increase your risk of a crash and will likely be found at fault in the event of an accident.

RIDING ON THE ROADWAY

- Bikes may be ridden on the shoulder of the road (in the same direction as the flow of traffic) but are not required to do so.
- Bikes may also ride on the right half of the roadway as follows:
 - On a multilane roadway, bikes may be ridden in the right-most travel lane.
 - On a two-lane roadway, a bike may be ridden in the right lane.
 - On a roadway with no center line, a bike may be ridden anywhere on the right side of the roadway.
- Bikes may move from the right lane:
 - When overtaking another vehicle proceeding in the same direction.
 - When preparing to make a left turn.
 - When an obstruction exists that makes it necessary to change lanes or cross the center line with due care.
- Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway shall not ride more than two abreast (side-by-side), unless on paths or parts of a roadway set aside for exclusive use of bicycles.
- A bicycle or motor vehicle may, with good caution, treat an intersection with an inoperable or malfunctioning traffic signal as a stop condition when red or as a caution condition when green or yellow.
- Often signals with embedded detectors will not respond to the bike awaiting a green light, and this is treated as "inoperable" under law.
- **Motor vehicles must allow 4 feet of distance when overtaking a bicycle and travel at a careful and prudent speed. It is the motorist's responsibility to provide this distance, not that of the cyclist.**
- Motor vehicles may also overtake a bicycle in a no-passing zone to avoid excessive delays, but this must be done with due care and while providing the required 4 feet of clearance.
- No person shall open any door on a motor vehicle unless and until it is reasonably safe to do so and can be done without interfering with traffic flow.
- Cyclists may be injured or killed when a door is opened in their line of travel (dooring). Therefore, a distance of 4 feet should be kept between parked motor vehicles and the line of travel when riding along parked vehicles.



THE KENNETT GREENWAY AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION – A STATUS UPDATE

By Michael Guttman, Director, Sustainable Development Office (SDO)

The ‘Red Clay Creek Greenway’ was first roughly sketched on a map for the 1992 Comprehensive Plan. Since renamed the ‘Kennett Greenway’, it has always been envisioned as a corridor of protected open space and connecting trails that would allow residents and visitors alike to hike and bike around our Township in a natural setting largely free from vehicular traffic.

Originally, the Greenway was mainly seen as recreational. But in the last few years, it has become increasingly clear that such a facility, if properly designed, can also allow people to regularly walk and bike safely to work, school, shopping, and entertainment, as well as natural recreation. Shifting our focus to what is technically called ‘Active Transportation’ is especially attractive because the amount of Commonwealth grant money available for building such facilities is many times the funds earmarked specifically for recreational trails.

Indeed, in the last two years, the Township has been awarded \$3M+ dollars for Active Transportation facilities, while receiving just \$225K specifically for recreational trails. The additional Active Transportation funds are not only allowing us to build the Greenway much faster, but also to integrate it with similarly-funded bike and walkway improvements in our urban center, Kennett Square Borough.

The net result is that the Greenway can reach even more area residents and take them to many more popular destinations. For this reason, we recently partnered

with the Borough to create an integrated Active Transportation Plan, also funded by another Commonwealth grant, to guide our joint efforts. This plan, which has already received substantial public input, will be released this spring, but we are already using preliminary results to further plan the Greenway.

We received the first set of construction grants in 2016 and 2017. These will collectively fund the first major segment of the Greenway, which runs from Pennock Park south to the rehabbed Chandler Mill Bridge, with construction scheduled for this spring. Another major grant award will fund upgrading sidewalks and installing bike lanes in the Borough that fully connect Pennock Park to Anson B. Nixon Park along South Street and Walnut Street, to be completed sometime in 2019.

Combined with many other sidewalk and crossing improvements in the Borough and Township already completed or underway, the Kennett area will soon be blessed with some of the best Active Transportation facilities in Chester County. We’ve come a long way from that 1992 sketch of the Greenway, and certainly much farther than anyone then imagined in terms of connectivity and functionality. But, there is still lots more to come.

Thanks to the many residents and partners who have generously supported our open space initiatives. Our Township is well on track to meet its 2014 goal of preserving 30% of our total acreage by 2025. Recent examples of successful Township acquisitions include the 45 acre Barkingfield, the Township’s first municipal park, and the 63.8 acre Lord Howe, a large Class 1 Woodlands on Burnt Mill Road. In addition to these Township purchases, a Township resident conserved 35 acres, and a 3 acre wooded parcel was added to the Land Conservancy for Southern Chester County’s Stateline Woods Preserve.

But with this success, an emerging issue is how best to outfit and manage these and other such properties we’ll likely conserve over the next decade. The primary goal has been to protect enough open space to maintain the Township’s traditional semi-rural ambiance. But the ever-increasing popularity of a wide range of recreational activities in our existing parks and preserves makes clear the public wants and needs a lot more than just pretty views and clean air, as important as they are.

The imminent construction of the Kennett Greenway will only make such facilities even easier to access by bike and foot. Meanwhile, continued population growth and our growing popularity with outside visitors will further add to the number of people and the diversity of recreational activities we’ll need to support over the coming decades.

Planning for the Future of Open Space

By Jeff Yetter, Chairman, Land Conservation Advisory Committee

To better anticipate the public’s wants and needs, and to determine the most cost-effective ways to address them, the Township has recently engaged its Landscape Architect, Comitta and Associates, to create a formal Parks, Trails and Open Space Master Plan for the Township. This plan will also help us coordinate better with other local recreational institutions and facilities in the area, most especially Longwood Gardens, Anson B. Nixon Park, and Pennock Park.

The planning process will analyze available data and solicit public input to examine such questions as (1) what is the likely long-term demand for passive and recreational activities, (2) how many and what kind of facilities will be needed, (3) which facilities can most effectively be provided and managed by the Township, (4) how much open space will need to be acquired to support those facilities, and (5) how much will it cost to acquire, outfit, and maintain them over time.

All our residents are invited to make their views known by taking the public surveys and attending the public meetings as we announce them. A final report is expected this summer.

PUBLIC WORKSHOP—June 20, 2018

The Township will hold a Public Workshop regarding the Open Space needs assessment on June 20, 2018 from 5:00pm-6:45pm in the Townships Public Meeting Room. Charettes and Visioning Exercises will be held to gain additional information for the Open Space Needs Assessment”



2018 CHESTER COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENTS
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NO ELECTRONICS WILL BE ACCEPTED
ALL EVENTS START AT 9:00 AM AND CLOSE AT 3:00 PM SHARP

FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 2018 - COATESVILLE LEARNING CENTER

1635 East Lincoln Highway, Coatesville, PA 19320

(Stone wall entrance-Veteran's Drive-Same entrance as CAT Brandywine – Route 30 across from Dairy Queen)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2018 - OXFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE BLDG.

(Proof of Residency may be required) 125 Bell Tower Lane, Oxford, PA 19363

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2018 - GOVERNMENT SERVICES CENTER

601 Westtown Road, West Chester, PA 19380

For a list of items Accepted and Not Accepted go to: www.chestercswa.org/DocumentCenter/View/1803
Maximum Amount Accepted – 25 Gallons or 220 Lbs. / No Metal Drums - - - **No Freon Appliances**

PLEASE TAKE YOUR CARDBOARD BOXES HOME TO RECYCLE AT THE CURB OR LOCAL DROP OFF

Anson B. Nixon Park



ANSON B. NIXON PARK
KENNETT SQUARE

for community engagement and entertainment

Our new logo incorporates the key visuals that make our Park unique, and weave them together in a fresh way that evokes energy and movement. We are excited to promote Anson B. Nixon Park as a beautiful community outdoor space for all to enjoy!


The Park looks ahead to an exciting 2018. We look forward to tying the Park's restrooms into the Boroughs' municipal sewer system. Look for additional bike racks to be installed throughout the Park, courtesy of Bike Kennett.

REMINDERS:

The Park is open from sunrise to sunset

To reserve one of our lovely pavilions please email ansonbnixonpark@gmail.com

No alcohol permitted in the park.

We  dogs, but **PLEASE** be in control of your pet at all times, keep them leashed, and clean up after your pet. We have doggie clean up bags available for your convenience. **Please be a responsible pet owner. Thank you!**



Introducing the new Park logo!

In 2017, we asked the Park community for feedback about re-branding Anson B. Nixon Park.

Trees, Trails, Ponds, and Stage/Pavilions were the most mentioned elements. *See if you can identify them in the new logo!*

Trees & Forest - preservation and habitat for wildlife

Trails – Notice the brown swoosh representing the trails for exercise and opportunities to enjoy the tranquil natural

Water/Ponds - Blue for the ponds and fishing.

Stage/Pavilions - Center

Mark your calendars

June 10 - Beat Beethoven 5K run

June 20 – Free 8 week Summer Concert Series 2018 starts! *Join us for our first concert on June 20 from 7pm-9pm. Hear amazing bands from a wide variety of musical genres*

August 18 – Join us for our 4th annual Park FUNdraiser featuring the band, *Love Seed Mama Jump!* Saturday, 8/18 from 2-7pm

September 22 – La Comunidad Hispana – Family Healthy Living Day in the Park followed by Pet Fest!

Oct. 13 - Sky Tour 7pm - 9pm at the Tino Leto soccer fields

COMMUNITY-BASED LAND STEWARDSHIP

By Kathryn Freilich, Land Stewardship Coordinator

The Kennett Community-based Land Stewardship (CBLS) Initiative was formed to promote environmentally beneficial land management practices for properties of all types across the Township.

The focus of the CBLS this year is on Land Stewardship for the Greenway and a healthy connected green habitat corridor throughout the Township. The CBLS Initiative will provide information and training for residents with particular emphasis on stream and ground-water quality, groundwater quantity, and flood reduction.

To support this effort we are offering a series of presentations and demonstration events. We hope to see you at an upcoming event!

“Land Stewardship and Sense of Place—Habitat and Aesthetics in the Chester County Landscape”, Wednesday, May 23, 7:00 pm.

Kennett Township Building Public Meeting Room, 801 Burrows Run Road, Chadds Ford. **Tom Brightman, Longwood Gardens Land Stewardship Manager**, will share his expertise on meadow and woodland design, development, and maintenance for homeowners. Come learn how to enhance the natural beauty of your property while maintaining the Chester County local aesthetic that makes Kennett Township special!

“What’s Buzzin’ in Your Garden? - Creating pollinator friendly landscapes “, Monday, July 16,

7:00 pm, Kennett Township Office, Public Meeting Room, 801 Burrows Run Road, Chadds Ford. **Connie Smotzer**, Penn State Extension, Coordinator for the Statewide Pollinator Friendly Garden Certification Program, will explain how to create beautiful home landscapes that also support our important pollinators including native bees, butterflies, and hummingbirds.

“Managing Your Woodlands”, Wednesday, June 27, 7:00 pm, Kennett Township Office, Public Meeting Room, 801 Burrows Run Road, Chadds Ford. **John Nissen**, Chester County Forester, will present a management and stewardship overview for those with woodland properties.

If you are interested in volunteering to be part of the CBLS team to help with demonstration projects, learn about ecological landscaping, and spread your knowledge through the Township, contact Kathryn.Freilich@kennett.pa.us.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS **ALL EMERGENCIES DIAL 9-1-1**

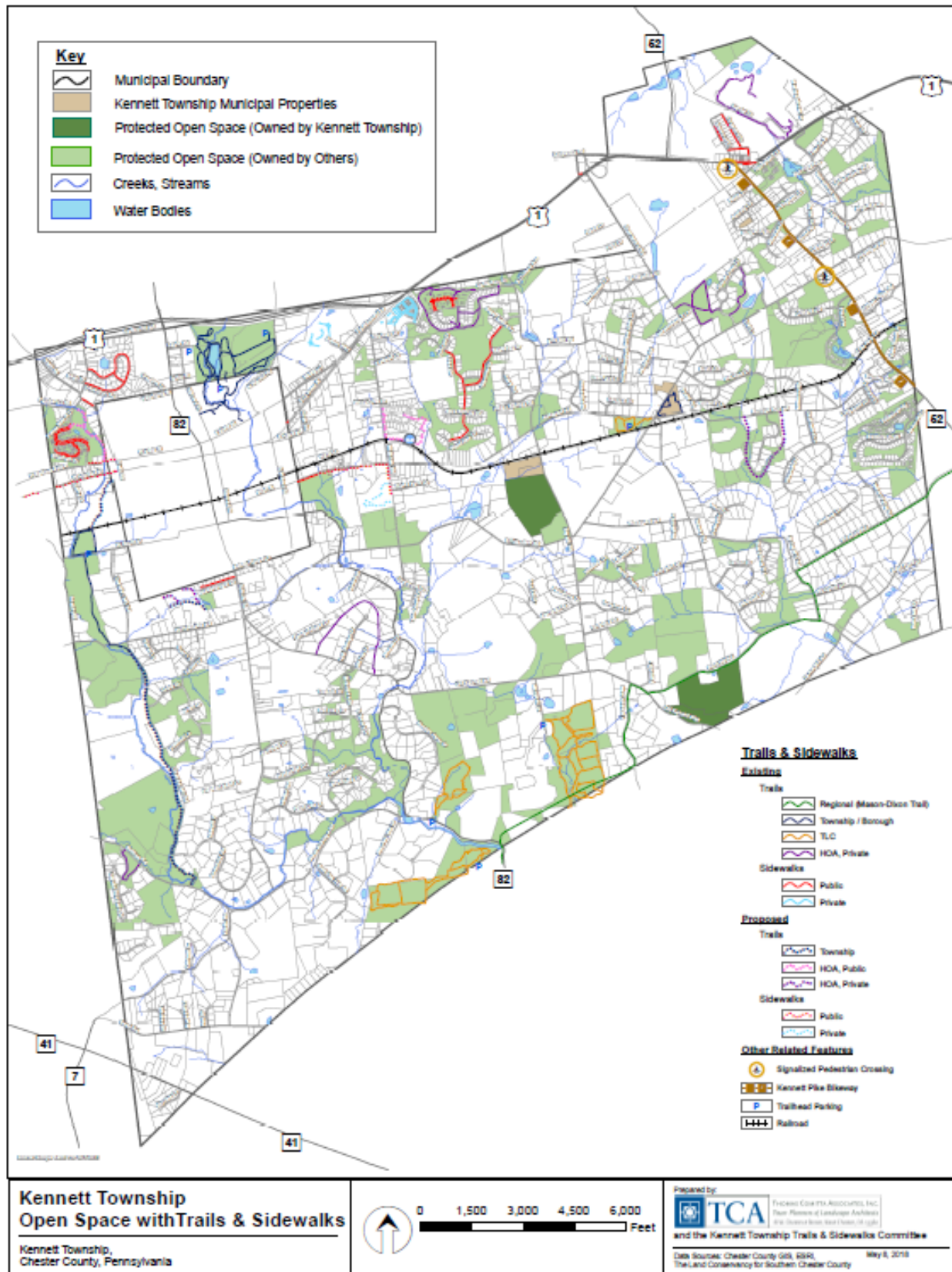
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Kennett Township Public Works Emergencies (after hours)	484-723-9338
Longwood Fire Company (www.longwoodfireco.com)	610-388-6880
Kennett Fire Company (www.firestation24.com)	610-444-4810

Important Contact Numbers:

Kennett Consolidated District School Taxes – Keystone Collections Group	888-519-3903
Kennett Township Earned Income Tax - Keystone Collections Group	724-978-0300
Chester County Treasurers Office-Chester County Real Estate Taxes	610-344-6370
Chester County Assessment Office	610-344-6105
Berkheimer Associates-Kennett Township Real Estate Taxes	800-360-8989
Chester County Health Department	610-344-6237

Kennett Township Open Space Trails & Sidewalks Map



ROADS UPDATE

As we move into spring, many projects are already taking place. Work is being scheduled for our summer programs.

Spring sweeping of the subdivisions is set for the first two weeks in April. This is done to remove loose anti-skid and debris from the roadways.

Plow posts will be removed, plows and spreaders will be checked and put away for the summer, and mowing equipment will be put in their place. Areas that were damaged by our plows will be repaired.

The annual spring clean-up of Township Roads was held on Saturday, 3/24/2018. This event was in coordination with the Red Clay Valley Clean-up Event. The Township Road Crew picked up the filled bags along the roads. We thank all those who volunteered for making this annual event such a success.

Barkingfield Park was very busy during the winter months. This spring the newly planted cherry tree grove will be in full bloom. Benches were installed around the outer walking path so you can now sit and enjoy the beautiful view while out for your walk. The large dog park will be reseeded and wood mulch will be installed in the small dog park as a trail surface.

Summer Paving: Meadowview Lane, Bucktoe & Chandler Mill Roads, Pond View Drive, Orchard View Drive, Orchard Terrace, W. Hillendale Road (from Chandler Mill to Scarlett Roads), and Marshall Bridge Road.

Surface Seal: Walnut Street, Woodridge Drive, Fallbrook Drive, East Branch Drive, Red Clay Drive, Tussock Drive, and Millbrook Drive.

Mowing and trimming will be done as needed over the summer. New storm drains and pipes will be installed on several of the Township roads. Please follow the detour routes where posted.

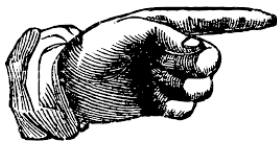
Please drive carefully and watch the bicyclists, walkers and construction workers along our roads.

Contact me at the Maintenance Garage, 610-444-5130 with any issues or concerns regarding Township roads.



By Roger Lysle
Public Works Director/
Roadmaster

Please Notice This



Beginning in 2019, the Township will offer the newsletter electronically making it available on the website and by email using the Township email distribution listing. Residents can request a printed copy mailed to their address by calling the Township or by email to Kennett.twp@kennett.pa.us.

How do I Sign Up for Emails and Electronic Communications from the Township?


Signing up for Kennett Townships Notify Me service is easy!

Go to the Townships website www.kennett.pa.us

On the top of the page, click:



On the Notify Me page, follow these instructions:

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1. Type your email address in the box and select Sign In.
2. If you want to receive text messages, click the "I would like to be able to receive text messages on my mobile phone" button, then enter your phone number and select Save.
3. To subscribe, click and/or next to the lists to which you wish to subscribe/unsubscribe.
4. Once you click, the selected symbol will turn green noting that you have subscribed and a confirmation email/text message will be sent immediately for each list you subscribe to.
5. Choose all your lists before confirming with your email/text messages. You will need to only confirm once to have all subscribe lists approved.

To Unsubscribe, click any box that is marked green to be removed from that specific list. If you need assistance subscribing or unsubscribing or to confirm your subscription, please email kennett.twp@kennett.pa.us or call the Township office at 610-388-1300



The Land Conservancy for Southern Chester County

Since the fall, we've opened the Chandler Mill Nature Preserve, Interpretive Nature Center, and previous parking lot. Great way to close out 2017! 2018 hit the trails hiking with a blue moon night-hike attended by 54 TLC fans, long-term and new. In response to the fun night and enthusiastic feedback, we'll be planning more evening activities so the community can enjoy the preserves past sundown. Speaking of turnout, the Wild & Scenic Film Festival sold out again, and quicker than last year!

Featured Programs and Events

Stateline Woods Race, May 12, 2018 - This scenic 5k/10k is hosted by Trail Creek Outfitters in support of our conservation efforts. It includes a free 1k kid's race and supervised play area so you can run freely!

Free Time Adventures, Summer 2018 - 21 days of fun in the sun! Our interactive, outdoor summer program focuses on creating a bond with nature while building independence, enhancing problem-solving prowess, and stewardship skills.

PA Master Naturalist, Fall 2018 - Interested in intensive natural science training and local conservation service work? Evening fall classes are available at TLC. Learn more or register at pamasternaturalist.org. Early application discount available until May 1st.

Visit facebook.com/TLCforSCC to get engaged with nature and the environment. TLC has programs for children, families, teens, and adults of all ages! We're always in need of volunteers too.

TLC is committed to protecting open spaces, wildlife habitats, and local farms. We also hope to inspire current and future generations to treat land as treasure, and are proud to conduct our conservation efforts on behalf of and for the benefit of the community.



★ 2017 CHESTER COUNTY ★ TOWN TOURS & VILLAGE WALKS Industry & Innovation 2018

THE BIRTH, GROWTH AND FUTURE OF THE MUSHROOM INDUSTRY” *Sponsored by the Kennett Township Historical Commission and Historic Kennett Square*

Please join us on **Thursday, July 12, from 5pm to 7pm**, to learn more about the history and the future of mushroom growing and the important role it played in our community. The “Tour” starts in Kennett Square Borough at the American Legion Hall at Broad & State Streets. There will be exhibits there followed by a short shuttle bus ride to the Woodlands where you will see different varieties of mushrooms and how they are grown, hear more about the past and the future of mushroom farming, and learn about one family's multiple generation association with mushrooms. Hope to see you on the 12th!



IT'S A BEAUTIFUL SIGHT,

but where did all that water come from?

By Diane McGovern, Member, Kennett Township Historical Commission

Have you ever noticed the pond on the northern side of Hillendale Road between Bayard and McFarlan Roads? This pond covers the remains of a 19th century quarry that operated from roughly the 1850's to 1890's. Corkeysville Marble (the same stone as used for the Washington Monument in Washington, D.C.) was pulled from the ground here and made into lime for sale to local farmers.

The quarry was operated by Hoopes, Lemmon, and Company around 1860, then by Jonathan Hoopes and Josiah Jackson around 1865.

In the 1870s the quarry was operated by Sharpless and Company which gives it its current name. An 1873 map of the township shows the Sharpless Co. building on Hillendale Road slightly east of the quarry and Michael Fahey as the owner of the small dwelling at the base of the quarry. (This home still exists near the curve on Hillendale Road.)

The map shows an unpaved road that runs north along the east side of the quarry, past the quarry office, across the Baltimore Central R.R. tracks to what is now Rosedale Road. At that intersection was the home of Caleb Sharpless who lived from 1826 to 1908. He was married to Rebecca Thompson Hoopes who was likely related to the earlier quarry owners. Together they had ten children.

Sharpless and Company appeared to operate at least one other quarry in this time period in Glen Mills about a mile east of the Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Western Railroad station.

Sometime in the 1880s, the Kennett Lime Company, incorporated in 1883 to quarry marble and manufacture lime, took over operation of the quarry.

It is documented that the quarry produced between 7000 and 8000 bushels (280 to 320 tons) of lime per month. Operation appears to have ceased in the 1890s as by 1900 the quarry was reported to be largely underwater.



THAT'S A NICE HORSE,
I THINK, I'LL TAKE HIM

*The Impact of the American
Revolution on Kennett Township*



The Revolutionary War has ended - Let the celebrations begin!! But all is not well in Kennett Township.

The war has taken a toll on local residents. Come discover Kennett in the aftermath of the war as we welcome back Christopher Densmore, well-known local historian. The **Kennett Township Historical Commission** invites you to join us to share some history, fellowship and refreshments at the Township Building.

7:00 pm **Tuesday, May 22, 2018**
801 Burrows Run Road, Chadds Ford.

Have **You** Signed Up for the Kennett Township eNewsletter?

If not, don't waste any more time. The eNewsletter provides important breaking news, critical alerts, and brief updates on issues —information that can be very beneficial to you and your family. Send an email to **ktnewsletter@kennett.pa.us** with your name and we will include you in the newsletter distribution list.

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THE KENNETT TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL COMMISSION
PRESENTS

“That’s a Fine Horse, I Think I’ll Take Him”
The Impact of the American Revolution on Kennett Township



Featured Speaker:

Mr. Chris Densmore

Free to the
Public

Tuesday, May 22
7:00pm – 9:00pm

Refreshments

Kennett Township Building
801 Burrows Run Road - Chadds Ford
Tel: (610) 388-1300

The Growing Heroin and Opioid Crisis

By Bill Shelton, Chair, Safety Committee

Last week, a press release from The Center for Disease Control (CDC) declared that The U.S. is currently experiencing the highest drug overdose death rates ever, and that it continues to increase. Our Governor has issued a statewide disaster declaration to fight the heroin and opioid epidemic. This issue is discussed regularly in our Safety Committee Meetings and it deserves your attention.



The CDC reports that from July 2016 to September 2017, opioid overdose deaths increased in all sexes (Men by 30% and women by 24%), all ages (25-34 up 31%, 35-54 up 36%, 55 and over up 32%), and by similar statistics in all sizes and types of communities. Pennsylvania lost 4,600 people to opioid overdoses in 2016. This issue affects our community.

Our state is seeking to enhance coordination and data collection to bolster state and local response; improve tools for families, first responders and others to help save lives, and speed up and expand access to treatment. Our state legislature has actually acted to: better monitor prescription limits, improve education outreach, increase the availability of the drug overdose-reversing drug naloxone, and improve treatment options.

The first responders on our Safety Committee report that in our region, they are bringing back victims from near-death comatose states on a weekly basis. Our police are also prepared to act with naloxone on an emergency basis if needed.

Our Committee members note that the illegal drug supply has been evolving toward more powerful and toxic drugs. Fentanyl, a drug 50-100 times stronger than morphine, is being added to heroin to increase its potency, which may be leading to overdoses.

Please help us to help our community, and get help for anyone you know that is living this horror.

The Kennett Area Park and Recreation Board (KAPRB) promotes, encourages, and supervises recreational activities in the Kennett Square community. The mission of KAPRB is to provide quality programs for families to enjoy and to improve develop and renovate park facilities.

KAPRB SUMMER PROGRAMS OPEN FOR REGISTRATION!

KAPRB Summer Camp

This is a fun-filled, action packed summer camp for children ages 5-12. Children enjoy arts and crafts, games, science, cooking, sports, swimming, bowling, and many exciting trips.

Date: June 15 – August 10th

Location: Bancroft Elementary School

Cost: Per week \$225; Full Summer Session \$1040

KAPRB Summer Sports Clinics

Summer sports clinics provide excellent skill development a fun, supportive, and enthusiastic environment. All coaches are current and previous players or coaches and they are excited to share their passion and love of the game. Each day will consist of structured skill building and the week-ends on Friday with a scrimmage parents are invited to watch.



Sport	Date	Location	Cost
Field Hockey (Girls)			
Session 1: 6/18-6/22	9am-12noon	KHS Legacy Field A	\$80
Session 2: 7/16-7/20			
Lacrosse (Boys and Girls)			
Session 1: 6/25-6/29	9am-12noon	KHS Legacy Field A & B	\$80
Session 2: 7/9-7/13			
Basketball			
Session 1: 6/25-6/29	9am-12noon	KHS Auxiliary Gym	\$80
Session 2: 7/9-7/13			
Volleyball			
Session 1: 7/16-7/20	9am-12 noon	KHS Auxiliary Gym	\$80

Please visit kaprb.org for more information! You can also find us on Facebook!

Why Recycling Scrap Metal Matters!

By Joe Poppiti, Environmental Advisory Council

At the April 2017 EAC meeting, the Council discussed researching the possibility/feasibility of adding a recycling container for just scrap metal items. This scrap metal container would be added to the Recycling Center at the Township Maintenance Garage site. After researching several companies and the options available, the EAC recommended to the Township Supervisors the ERM-New Castle Company to provide a “scrap metal only” recycling bin for Township residents.

Over the past few months, I have been recycling many different metal objects to deposit in this new bin.

Recently, I was helping my uncle downsize from his townhouse to a condo. He had some great power tools that my brother and I received and have put to good use. My uncle also had a few workbench drawers of old drill bits (sharpened many times), old strap door hinges, and a few boxes of assorted nuts and bolts; all could be recycled scrap metals. We removed 3 sets of old, horizontal Venetian blinds in his townhouse; not the vinyl type sold today but the rolled metal ones of years ago. More scrap metal for the recycling bin! We also replaced a somewhat rusty medicine cabinet in a hallway bathroom with a newer model. It was all rolled metal except for the two sliding mirrors; recycled scrap metal all. A shiny, new, white shower curtain rod was installed. The older, rolled, metal tube rod was recycled. My uncle gave me an ornate, yellow, metal birdbath. I was thinking recycle bin, my wife turned it into a succulent’s plant planter. It is on our front porch. Not everything that can go to the scrap recycle bin actually gets there.

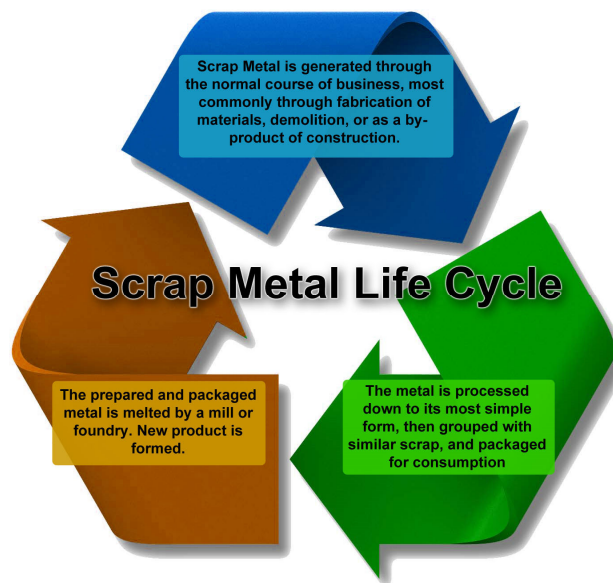
Last fall my brother called my gardening tools ancient. A tine on my pitchfork had broken while we were spreading mulch in

his backyard. The old metal pitchfork can be recycled, the wooden handle to our firewood kindling bin. Since then I have broken a shovel handle and a bow rake handle. Again, the metal tools can be recycled, the wooden handles to the woodpile. Other garden tools of mine that I recycled were a well-used hand shovel that was twisted and bent and an old hand bulb planter with a broken spring. Maybe my brother was right. Am I as old as my garden tools?

Last year I also tried to take advantage of the PECO promotion (flyers in the monthly bill) of receiving \$50.00 to replace an old freezer. (The repairman said it would cost more to repair than the cost of a new one). I called PECO to schedule a free pickup. Unfortunately, like many Township residents, I did not qualify. Why? PECO requires that you have a sidewalk to place the old fridge or freezer on in front of your house for pickup. The scrap metal recycle bin is available for old refrigerators, freezers, washers, dryers, hot water heaters, or other metal appliances.

During my winter cleanup in my garage and yard, I started thinking about what else I could recycle besides the usual plastics, paper, cans, and glass containers for the single stream bins. I found some old tire chains that I have not used in 30 years on a back shelf, 2 galvanized pipes from an old clothes line that had been replaced many years ago, and an old 20 inch push mower (gas and oil removed). All these metal items were recycled as scrap metal.

I also changed the metal gas flame diffusers on my outdoor grill. The four metal diffusers (I have a big grill) could all be recycled. My plant media mixing bucket developed two small holes from wear and tear. The bucket actual started as a 10 quart metal pot in the kitchen that I repurposed; now time for the recycle bin.



The Lowe’s Home Improvement store on Route 41 (561 Hepburn Road) in Avondale accepts rechargeable (Lithium-ion) batteries and CFL lightbulbs (no tube fluorescents).



Kennett Area Senior Center



More than 650 residents of Southern Chester County had their tax returns prepared for free at the Kennett Area Senior Center this tax season, according to James McLaughlin, coordinator of the AARP Foundation Tax-Aide Program in Chester County. It was a new record for the number of clients served at the Center and was the most clients served at any of the 22 AARP Tax Preparation Program sites in Chester County, McLaughlin reported.

The tax preparation program has been hosted at the Kennett Area Senior Center for over twelve years. Each tax preparer has completed rigorous training in current tax law. The service is free of charge and designed to serve moderate to low-income older adults.

“The contribution of this group of volunteers is extraordinary,” said Anita M. O’Connor, Executive Director of the Kennett Area Senior Center. “Hundreds of older adults are able to access free and reliable tax preparation, ensuring that they are properly submitting their taxes and effectively planning for the future. More than 1,000 total volunteer hours were contributed to the project.

“We especially want to thank the Center’s staff who helped make this


year’s AARP Tax Prep Program a huge success,” McLaughlin said. “This partnership provides an excellent setting for us to privately work with clients, and we hope it demonstrates just how valuable the Kennett Area Senior Center is to the residents of Southern Chester County.”

In previous years, the AARP Tax Prep Program has returned hundreds of thousands of dollars to local residents in the form of refunds. “This program exemplifies our purpose of improving the financial stability of seniors in our community,” Ms. O’Connor said. “We look forward to hosting each year, knowing that so many people in the region have come to rely on this service.

The Kennett Area Senior Center is a non-profit organization that is advancing the quality of life for older adults in Southern Chester County by providing programming and services designed to foster wellness, financial stability, and independence. Nearly 1,700 older adults are served by the Kennett Area Senior Center annually, and 300 adults annually access individualized information and support that helps address housing, healthcare, or hunger issues unique to older adults.



Kennett Underground Railroad Center (KURC)



UNDERGROUND RAILROAD TOURS

Learn about the people and places that made the greater Kennett region of Chester County, Pennsylvania, a hotbed of Underground Railroad activity in the 1830 to 1860 period.

SUNDAY TOUR DATES IN 2018

May 20 June 17 July 15 August 19 September 16 October 21

2-Hour Guided Bus Tour | 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Advance reservations required*


KURC’s air-conditioned bus tours are led by a knowledgeable local guide. View documented Underground Railroad sites, historic homes, and Quaker meetinghouses while hearing about local abolitionists, both white and black alike.

Bus tour starts at
Brandywine Valley Tourism Information Center
300 Greenwood Road, Kennett Square, PA 19348
Please arrive by 2:15 p.m. for check-in.

***Limited seating; reservations are required.**
Requested donation of \$20/adult; \$15/youth
Online Eventbrite credit card reservations via Facebook or website
To reserve with check payment, please contact KURC by email or phone

KURC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization
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(484) 544-5070

 Facebook.com/
KennettUndergroundRailroad

Kennett Library News

by Megan Walters, Library Director



Kennett Library

Begin your journey here

The Kennett Library has had a great year within our community and we couldn't have done it without you! Your attendance at our programs was phenomenal since we had over 1,000 programs with over 21,000 attendees! We offered a variety of programs weekly to children this past year such as storytime yoga, play group, music time, art group and others. Through the year we hosted an egg hunt, bobbing for apples, and our very successful program "Science in the Summer." We believe that children do better in school when they have continuous learning throughout the year and we make sure that we help to close that gap. "Science in the Summer" programs don't allow things like summer slide, but is it really learning when you get to do cool experiments? We don't think so and neither do the kids because it is one of our most popular programs! All of our programs are free it just requires a simple registration to make sure we have enough resources for everyone attending.

Bayard Taylor Home & Garden Tour

Saturday, June 2, 2018

Get your tickets
today!

Tickets will be available for pick up at
the Kennett Library in May

For our Young Adults, we have programs that I would call, new meets old meets nostalgia. This past year we establish a Dungeons and Dragons group that meets bi-weekly and is a huge success. They also enjoy other programs such as a graphic novel book club, and Geek Gang, which is an opportunity for teens to come, hang out and do activities together at the library. This past summer was an amazing Maker Camp with an emphasis on the World's Fair and making their own inventions. During the course of the week, the group went through every step of the design process. They came up with a team logo, a concept, the design and finally the making of their idea. Each group then presented their invention and they were unveiled at one of the Kennett Square "Third Thursday" events that are hosted throughout the summer.

Our Adult programs have truly offered a wide variety of topics. We've celebrated Bayard Taylor's birthday with an open mic night where people could read poems or short stories that they've written. We have three book groups that offer many different topics to choose from. There are programs for the budding entrepreneur in our SCORE workshops and sometimes we just like to kick back with family movie night. There have been multiple "Meet the Author" events, one of which

was Kennett Square's own Mark Bowden, author of "Black Hawk Down", who came to discuss his new book "Hue 1961." There are so many more programs that we have to offer here at the library and I don't have enough room to name them all!

If you are interested in ANY of our programs, check out our website at kennettlibrary.org for more information. If you have any questions or comments about ANYTHING, feel free to email me (Megan Walters) at mwalters@ccls.org. I look forward to hearing from you!

ADULT LITERACY AT THE KENNETT LIBRARY

By Filomena Elliott, Dir., Adult Literacy Program

A valuable resource housed within the Kennett Library is the Adult Literacy Program. Its mission is to provide free literacy and English language instruction for educationally-disadvantaged adults so as to equip them with the knowledge and skills necessary for gainful employment and self-sufficiency.

There are both day and evening classes of English as a Second Language, held from September to June in various locations in Kennett Square, and in West Grove and Oxford. Free one-on-one tutoring is also available. Tutors are volunteers from the community who are trained by the Adult Literacy Program director and who agree to teach an adult student, donating a couple of hours of their time each week. The tutors help adults to improve their basic literacy level, or to learn English as a Second Language, or to prepare for American citizenship, or to practice and prepare for the tests for the General Equivalency Diploma.

The program has a waiting list of students, so tutors are always needed! Training consists of two one-and-one-half hour workshops, all teaching materials will be provided, and the tutoring hours are flexible and set at a mutually convenient time for tutor and student. If you would like to help by becoming a volunteer tutor, please email Director Filomena Elliott at felliott@ccls.org or call the Adult Literacy Program office at 610-444-9118.

Meet our next new member of the Community, The Kennett Library

Save the Date

Bayard Taylor Home & Garden Tour
Saturday, June 2, 2018 | 10 AM to 4 PM
For information and tickets go to
www.kennettlibrary.org

THE KENNETT LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES is delighted to share these proposed designs of the new Kennett Library with you. Working diligently since January 2016, they have overcome obstacles and recruited a dynamic team of community leaders, architects, library planners and many other professionals to realize the vision for a 21st century library located in the Borough of Kennett Square. These dynamic designs are just the beginning of the story that will unfold in forthcoming issues of Fig and in public meetings throughout 2018. For more information please contact ThomasCSwett@gmail.com.

Proposed Kennett Library
Design: View coming
up State Street



216 EAST STATE STREET, KENNETT SQUARE 610.444.2702 KENNETTLIBRARY.ORG

Washing Your Vehicle

Where you wash your car matters. The best option for our rivers is to take your vehicle to a commercial car wash, especially if you plan to clean the engine or the bottom of the car. Most car washes reuse water several times before sending it to one of our three water pollution control plants.

Vehicles washed in driveways and parking lots allow dirty wash water to find its way to the nearest storm drain. That water often contains oils and grease, phosphates (from the soap) and heavy metals—all substances that are unhealthy for people, fish, and other living things. If you would rather wash your car at home, protect our local streams with these tips:

Home Car Wash Tips:

- Wash your vehicle on gravel, grass, or another permeable surface so the ground can filter the water naturally.
- Use soap sparingly and try to use non-phosphate detergents. Phosphates are pollutants that can be harmful to nearby waterways and promote excess growth of algae.
- Use a hose that is high pressure and low volume. Fit your hose with a nozzle that automatically turns off, or has a pistol grip or trigger nozzle to save water. Wash one section at a time and rinse quickly.
- When you are done, empty the bucket of soapy water down the sink—**not into the street.**
- If you are hosting a car wash fundraiser, consider selling coupon books. Many car wash companies offer fundraiser savings books to nonprofit organizations and sports teams at reduced prices. The coupons can then be used anytime by the supporter.



Thanks to the Philadelphia Water Department (<http://www.phila.gov/water>) and the Partnership for the Delaware Estuary (<http://www.delawareestuary.org>) for providing this article.

Most car washes clean and recycle the water several times before it goes to the water pollution control plant. The plant then cleans it even more before it is returned to the Delaware River.



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OPEN SPACE SURVEY! WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Kennett Township is in the process of preparing a Parks, Trails, & Open Space Plan, and we need your help! This survey will help guide the Township with the preparation of the Parks, Trails & Open Space Plan, and will help to guide the Township over the next 10 to 20 years.

Please respond to the Questions and provide any additional insights at the end of this Questionnaire by **May 31st**. The Survey can be found on the Townships website or by following this weblink: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Kennettopenspace>

If you have any questions or would like a paper copy of the survey, please call the Township, 610-388-1300

Spring/Summer Activities

MAY	JUNE	JULY
1 Trails & Sidwalks Committee	5 Trails & Sidwalks Committee	3 Holiday – Office Closed
1 Planning Comm. Work Session(6:30pm)	5 Planning Comm. Work Session (6:30 pm)	4 Holiday – Office Closed
2 BOS Public Meeting (7 pm)	6 BOS Public Meeting (7 pm)	10 Planning Commission
8 Planning Commission	12 Planning Commission	10 Trails & Sidwalks Committee
8 Emergency Services Commission (5 pm)	12 Emergency Services Commission (5 pm)	10 Emergency Services Commission (5 pm)
9 Safety Committee	13 Safety Commission	11 Safety Committee
15 Primary Elections - Office Closed	19 KA Park Authority	17 KA Park Authority
16 BOS Public Meeting (7 pm)	20 OS Assessment Public Work Shop (5pm)	18 BOS Public Meeting (7 pm)
17 Land Conservation Advisory	20 BOS Public Meeting (7 pm)	19 Land Conservation Advisory Committee
22 EAC	21 Land Conservation Advisory Committee	24 EAC
22 Historical Commission Annual Program	26 EAC	24 Historical Commission
28 Holiday - Office Closed	26 Historical Commission	30 Economic Development Joint Mtg.(6 pm)
AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
1 BOS Public Meeting (7 pm)	3 Holiday - Office Closed	2 Planning Comm. Work Sesson (6:30 pm)
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14 Emergency Services Comm. (5:00 pm)	11 Emergency Services Commission (5 pm)	9 Emergency Services Commission (5 pm)
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