

AMERICAN RED CROSS **BLOOD DRIVE** Thursday, April 23, 2020

Thornbury Twp Bldg **Place**

> 6 Township Drive Cheyney, PA

Time 10:00am-3:00pm

Don't meet for coffee - meet at the township building and chat with friends while giving blood. The American Red Cross and local hospitals need you to help by donating blood at the Thornbury Township blood drive. We need 35 donors to sign up! Roll up your sleeves to help local hospital patients. Sign up and

learn more about the Rapid Pass program to make your donation quicker. Tell your friends and family!



Emergency Management & Response Long-Time Resident of the Township

On January 11, 2020, longtime township resident Jack Egan completed his last Role Call as the Police Chief of Parkside Borough. Jack served as an officer of the law in communities across Delaware County for over 50 years. Some of you may have witnessed the outpouring of support from local emergency responders and police departments. Officers who served with and under Jack joined a motorcade of police and emergency vehicles that escorted him home on his last day of service.

Although Jack has stepped away from his official capacity as a police officer, he has

not given up his role as a public servant. The law enforcement community's loss has been Thornbury's gain. Jack was first appointed as the Thornbury Township Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC) in January 2019.

Since his retirement in the beginning of 2020, Jack is able to focus more energy on the EMC position. Jack, along with his Assistant EMC, Greg Demarco have updated and improved the Emergency Management and Emergency Response plan.

A true test of those improvements came during the tornado that occurred on Halloween night of 2019. Jack and Greg were integral to the success of establishing the shelter at Glen Mills Schools and quickly identifying and fulfilling the needs of residents in the aftermath of the disaster. As with any document of this type, Jack and Greg work to continually update and improve the plan to meet emergency requirements. We would like to express our gratitude to both Jack and Greg for their dedication to ensuring the safety of our residents. Tr



EAC Letter









Hello fellow residents. As many of you may already know, our long-time Tax Collector, Willard McMullin, passed away in November. Willard was a resident

of Thornbury Township for 34 years and served the township in many roles, most recently as an Emergency Management Consultant and The Elected Tax Collector.



We here at the township would like to extend our condolences to his wife of 52 years, Mary Ellen, his children and grandchildren. Although the West Chester School District has oversight of the collection of School Taxes, the Thornbury Township Board of Supervisors is charged with the duty to replace the Tax Collector when the position is vacant. On December 18, 2019, at a Special Meeting of the Board of Supervisors, the Board declared the Office of the Elected Tax Collector of

Thornbury Township vacant. The Board then voted to appoint Katie Gricco as the new Tax Collector. Katie was sworn into office by the Honorable Wendy B. Roberts, Esq. at that meeting. Katie Gricco will be the point of contact for 2020 tax bills and can be reached by phone at 484-315-8342; by mail at PO Box 1028, Westtown, PA 19395-9998; or by email at klgricco@gmail.com. For those residents with questions or concerns regarding their 2019 tax bills, please contact Mary Burgoyne at the West Chester Area School District by phone at 484-266-1034 or by email at mburgoyne@wcasd.k12.pa.us. We would like to wish Katie the best of luck and also express our gratitude to Willard and his wife for their hard work and dedication to our residents. Tr

TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Jeff Seagraves,

THORNBURY TOWNSHIP SUMMER CAMP 2020

In all of the years that Thornbury Township has offered summer camp, we have always had one



thing in mind when planning and organizing the camp—YOU. You can register your child for a half day, (morning or afternoon) a full day or the entire 4-day week. You can pay daily or weekly. There is no registration deadline and the children are our focus. We take pride in providing an all-inclusive, safe, comfortable and fun environment for the children to play and make new friends while their parents/ guardians enjoy some free time.

Monday through Thursday June 22 through July 30, 2020

Don't miss the summer fun! Residents and non-residents welcome. Visit www.thornbury.org for more details.

FULL DAY 9:00am-3:00pm (full day), HALF DAY 9:00am-12:00pm or

12:00pm-3:00pm

Place Thornbury Park

Residents: \$24 full day, \$12 half Cost Non-Residents: \$48, full day, \$24 half

"I am looking forward to fun new activities to incorporate, but certainly continuing with traditions like water day and tie dying." Amelia Sontag, 2019 Camp Director

BULK TRASH & E-WASTE PICK-UP SPRING 2020

Pick-Up Schedule

Name

Homes East of Cheyney Rd: Mon, 4/27/20 Homes West of Cheyney Rd: Fri, 5/1/20 Bulk trash is defined as anything that two men can lift onto a truck bed. If it would take more man-power than that, it is not acceptable. All bulk trash and electronic waste should be placed on the roadside in front of your home the night before pick up. No refunds if items are not out on the curb at time of pick up. Items containing freon will be picked up by a different truck. Freon must be removed and certified. Tires and organic material will not be picked up.

Return Form & Payment by April 15

Email	
Phone	
Pick-Up Options	
\$25 for three large items	
\$50 for items containing Freon	
(Refrigerators, wine refrigerators, dehumidi	fiers)
\$60 for TVs less than 26"	
\$70 for TVs 26" or more	
\$70 for freezers	
\$55 for Hot Water Heaters	
\$40 for Computers or Monitors	
\$20.00 for Small Appliances	
Total Enclosed: \$	

Return Form & Payment by April 15 to

6 Township Drive, Cheyney, PA 19319 Payment must be received for trash to be picked up. Questions? 610-459-3515





RECENT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACTIONS

November 6, 2019

- Final payment #3 for the Sludge Holding Tank Rehabilitation Project, to J.P. Smith Contactors, Inc., in the amount of \$27,609.37, which finalizes the contract, was approved.
- The 2019 Contribution to the Rachel Kohl Library in the amount of \$42,000.00, was approved.

November 20, 2019

- · The Animal Control Agreement with Brandywine Vet Hospital, to become effective January 1, 2020 was approved.
- Advertising the Annual Reorganizational and First Public Meeting of the Board of Supervisors for 2020 was approved.
- Advertising for a Certified Public Accountant or firm, to audit the Township accounts for fiscal year 2019 was approved.

December 4, 2019

- · Solicitation of bids for televised inspections of sewer sections, as recommended by the Township Sewer Engineer, was approved.
- · Resolution 2019-13, adopting the proposed budgets for expenditures and revenues for fiscal year 2020, was approved.

December 13, 2019

- Declared the office of the Elected Tax Collector for Thornbury Township vacant as of November 18, 2019.
- · A motion appointiung resident, Katie Gricco, as the Thornbury Township, Delaware County Tax Collector was approved.

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Above: Welcome, Nathan Podgurski! The Board of Supervisors is pleased to welcome our newest Junior Supervisor.

My fellow Supervisors and I would like to take this opportunity to share with you some information and comments.

It is with deep sorrow that I inform you that we have lost one of our greatest volunteers, Larry Barrett. Many of you know Larry and just how much he meant to Thornbury Township. He has a park named in his honor, Barrett's Meadow, at the intersection of Creek and Tanguy Roads. Just last year Larry was awarded the Mark Kelly Volunteer of the Year Award and he was certainly well deserving of that honor. Larry served on the Planning Commission, Open Space Acquisition Committee, and the Environmental Advisory Council. Larry will be missed by many, but mostly by the Township for his countless years of service.

We want to welcome our newest Junior Supervisor, Nathan Podgurski, who was sworn in at our Re-Organizational Meeting on January 6th. Nathan has already proven to be a great addition to the Board of Supervisors. He comes prepared with tremendous reports of the activities at Rustin High School. We look forward to the rest of this year with him and also continuing with this great program.

The Board of Supervisors has been and will continue to be, committed to the preservation of open space. We have been successful with outright purchases as well as buying development rights from property owners. This is a great way to protect Thornbury and maintain it as the great place to live and raise families.

Although this was a mild winter, our roadways always take a beating. Our Road Crew will be working diligently on township roads to restore them back. Please let us know if you see anything that needs attention.

We have a few new events planned for this summer. Please check out the Park & Recreation events on page five, go to our website or contact the office to find out what we have going on. These events are only a success with the participation of our residents and volunteers. In closing, have a tremendous Spring, and we will see you around town! Tr

> Jim Raith, Chairman BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



Our Environment Depends on Everyone

Elected leaders alone cannot bring about environmental change, because you cannot legislate individual choice. To turn the tide on helping our environment requires the accountability of each individual, and there is so much you can do. From the products you buy and the food that you eat, every choice is a vote to preserve or destroy our environment. Recycling less is more and may make the difference that tips the economic balance. For several years now, contamination has been an issue (flexible plastic, food contamination, Styrofoam), which can turn recycling into trash, literally wasting all your careful environmental effort, and

possibly triggering a monetary fine to the township. When in doubt, throw it out. Don't be guilty of "wishcycling." The continued convenience of Thorbury's single stream recycling system depends on the quality of what we recycle at home. Don't co-mingle dirty or wet materials with clean ones. It's as simple as that. A guide to recycling is available on the township website.

Spring Activities

The EAC will be participating in the CRC Watersheds cleanup this year. Stay tuned! As we recover from the devastation that took place in October from the great Delco Tornado, the EAC will be hosting a talk on The Care of Thornbury's Tree

Canopy on March 21. If you have trees on your property, please attend! Various topics will be addressed such as Spotted Lantern Fly, The Emerald Ash Borer, PECO and Pruning.

Thank You, Rhona Klein!

The EAC would like to thank Rhona Klein for her years of service to the EAC. Rhona has been an active contributor to issues such as the Pipeline and will be missed. Rhona, we wish you the best!

The EAC meets the third Thursday of each month at 7pm in the basement of the township building. We'd love to see you there! Check our Facebook page for monthly trail work activities and events.

CLEAN WATER BEGINS WITH YOU!

- Storm Drains: Never dump anything down a storm drain especially used motor oil or antifreeze. Dispose of these properly at a local service station or approved recycling center.
- Pet Waste: Pet waste can be a major source of excess nutrients and bacteria to local waterbodies. It is important to always pick up after your pet and dispose of the waste properly.
- Auto Care: Washing your car at home on the driveway or street can send detergents and other contaminants through the storm system. It is best to wash your car at a commercial car wash where they treat and recycle the wastewater. If you do wash your car at home, do so in your yard so the water infiltrates into the ground.
- Streambank Landscaping: Erosion of streambanks can be prevented through the use of vegetated strips along the banks.
 Also known as riparian buffers, these strips

- of tall grasses, trees, and flowers act to stabilize banks, which prevents erosion and additional sediment load in the stream.
- **Downspouts**: Direct all downspouts away from impervious surfaces and onto lawns. Rain barrels can be used to collect the rainwater from downspouts. This water can be used later on the lawn and garden.
- Lawn care: Fertilizers and pesticides should be used sparingly. When applied in excess, these chemicals are washed off by rainwater and enter the local storm sewer system. Additionally, it is important not to sweep yard waste and leaves into the street. These add extra nutrients to streams.
- Rain Gardens or Grassy Swales: These specially designed gardens can be planted with native vegetation to provide an area for rainwater to collect and soak into the ground. Stormwater from rooftop drains and pavement areas can be directed to these vegetated areas.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACTIONS

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The Honorable District Justice
Wendy B. Roberts administered the
Oaths of Office to Katie Gricco, as
Thornbury Township Tax Collector
and to James P. Kelly as Thornbury
Township Supervisor for another six
year term.

January 6, 2020

 Nathan Podgurski, the newly appointed Junior Supervisor reported on all of the activities at Rustin High School including the Science Olympiad, the basketball, wrestling and swim and dive teams beginning their winter seasons and the Theatre and Drama club started production of their musical Seusical in March.



Visit www.thornbury.org for more details and to sign up for events!

Registrations available two weeks prior to event. Classes that do not meet minimum participation requirements will be cancelled.

ABOUT OUR PARKS:

Thornbury Township boasts five public parks. We invite you to enjoy!

LOCATIONS AND FEATURES

Barrett's Meadow

30 acres at Creek & Tanguy Roads



Walk the trail and enjoy the naturally occurring wild flowers in the spring and summer.

Bonner Park

65 acres on Blossom Hill Road



Visit the historic Frazer Ruins and an old, unused quarry. Enjoy plenty of good hiking.

Martin Park

45 acres on Stony Bank Road



Home to our Annual Fishing Derby. Enjoy plenty of walking, picnicking, and fishing.

Palmer Arboretum

21 acres on Brinton Lake Road



Climb on the giant adirondack chairs, play hopscotch, walk trails, enjoy a picnic.

Thornbury Park

56 acres at Glen Mills & Thornton Roads



Home to many of our Township events. Enjoy scenic walking and running paths, basketball and tennis courts, playground equipment, the pavilion, and much more.

Parks & Recreation Events

Saturday, April 4, 2020

(Rain Date is April 11)

Easter Egg Hunt & Decorated Egg Contest

Hunt for over 6,000 filled eggs and compete in the Decorated Egg Contest. You must be a resident to win a prize. Light refreshments will be served.

Place Thornbury Park









Saturday, April 25, 2020 Township Yard Sale Day (rain or shine)

We advertise—you sell! Register your address with the township (on line or call) and get on the Map of Yard Sales, available on line and at Thornbury Park for all bargain hunters.

Place Your driveway

Time 8:00am-12:00pm (advertised)

NEW SUMMER EVENTS:

June 13, 2020: Phillies Game
June 25, 2020: Dinner En Blanc

July 23, 2020: Crabfest

August 27, 2020: Blue Grass BBQ
Sept. 11, 2020: Movie & Fireworks

Saturday, May 16, 2020 7th Annual Dog Show

This competition is fun but it can be *ruff!* If you don't have a dog, just come for the fun of it and see if you can *spot* past winners! Register online.

Place Thornbury Park
Time 2:00pm-4:00pm
Cost \$5.00 registration fee

Monday, May 25, 2020 Memorial Day Ceremony

Enjoy the freedoms that we often take for granted and attend this moving Memorial Day ceremony. Refreshments served.

Place Thornbury Park
Time 12:00pm

Mondays and Wednesdays Beginning May 27, 2020 Yoga in the Park

Place Thornbury Park Pavilion

Time 7:00pm
Cost Free!

Saturday, June 6, 2020 6th Annual Founder's Day

Celebrate our community! Games, restaurants, live music by the Sensational Soul Cruisers and fireworks!

Place Thornbury Park Time 5:00-9:00pm









"When the well is dry, we will know the worth of water" – Ben Franklin

The Historic Resource Property (HRP) Studies Project

"The Proof is in the Pudding"

Four additional reports have been uploaded to the township website. This totals 19 properties now available online. For a more hands on approach, the Research Library of the Thornbury Historical Society has all these available for in-house reading. The hard copies contain much greater detail then what is shown online. Two of the 19 above mentioned properties are of HRPs along Station Road (SR). In 2018 our Commission was very lucky to partner with the Thornbury Historical Society (THS) for this joint project. The goal was to research two SR properties a year. Landing the initial property was tough as it was perceived these studies would give up the owner's privacy and present other issues.

HRP 063 was the first in 2018 and that research proved, as has the research of the eighteen others, to allay those privacy concerns. In 2019 we were able to research HRP 064 with the same result. The proof was in the pudding. Everything completed as we had said it would be. No issues. Our methodology is simple and straight forward...communicate well and make sure everyone is comfortable before we proceed. All the data, including the historical, anecdotal, and genealogical information is very detailed. We present a completed binder, at no cost, to the HRP owner(s).

The in-depth research in these reports has amazed most of the recipients. The knowledge becomes a welcome addition to the history of these properties and is our township's gift to the individuals and families who continually preserve them. We thank you all for your participation. 187 more to go... Tr

SAVE THE DATE 23RD ANNUAL STREAMS CLEANUP Saturday, April 4 from 9:00am-11:30am

Join hundreds of volunteers at over 30 sites throughout our watersheds to remove trash and debris from our creeks at CRC's 23rd Annual Streams Cleanup. Afterwards, celebrate a job well done at a volunteer picnic at Rita Reves Park in Willistown Township! Volunteer registration will soon be available on crcwatersheds.org.



RUSTIN HIGH SCHOOL "POST PROM"

Senior Prom is May 29, 2020

Does your child attend Rustin High School? Whether your child is a



Freshman, Sophomore, Junior or Senior Post Prom is an excellent opportunity for you to contribute. Maybe you are a crafty person, maybe you're not. You could be a born leader or someone who follows directions carefully and meticulously. Either way, share your gifts and strengths! The Post Prom Committee is in need of volunteers of any and all kinds.

The Post Prom committee wants to provide a safe and entertaining event for the seniors to continue their prom night celebrations as a class and enjoy being together one last time. It is an all-night alcohol-free, drug-free, tobacco-free and COST-free fun-filled affair immediately following the senior prom. It is a major event that is only possible through many dedicated volunteers, and this is not an exclusive club. YOU can join them. Parents, siblings, cousins and classmates are all welcome to volunteer. The school is transformed into something unexpected and wildly creative for the students to explore. Please consider volunteering, even if it's just for an hour or maybe you can only work from home or send something in.

Contact the post prom committee at: rustinpostprommail@gmail.com or visit: https://rustinhspto.weebly.com/post-prom.html



THORNBURY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (THS) EVENTS

Thursday, March 12, 2020 Underground Railroad Speaker

Hear stories of the Underground Railroad that began in the early 19th century. It was neither a railroad nor was it underground. Instead it was a network of homes and businesses where slaves traveled North in search of freedom. Our township and those close by were significant to the Railroad due to the area's proximity to the States along the Mason Dixon line that were highly dependent on slave labor. Light refreshments.

Speaker Expert Guest from the

Kennett Underground

Railroad Center

Place Bethlehem Methodist Church

4 Westtown Road Thornton, PA 19373

Time 7:00pm Fee Free

Saturday, April 4, 2020 THS Annual Pancake Breakfast

Since 1986 hundreds have enjoyed the cooking and the camaraderie of dining with neighbors at this annual event. Swap stories of the Halloween night tornado and perhaps learn the best strategy to finding the township's prize eggs at this year's township egg hunt. Proceeds benefit

the THS Archival Restoration and Exhibition Project. Contact: Joan Dehm at 610-358-3397.



Time 8:00am–10:30am

Place Glen Mills Schools Cafeteria

Cost Adults: \$10.00

Children 10 and under: \$5.00

Sewer Committee

Maintaining Your Septic System:

The change in season is always a great time to perform maintenance and inspections of your sewer and septic systems. Septic and grinder pump systems need to be monitored to ensure that they work properly throughout their service lives. When these systems are properly maintained and operated, they effectively reduce or eliminate most human health or environmental threats posed by pollutants in household wastewater. Be sure to keep the low profile cover on your grinder pumps clear of debris and mulch as the units need to breathe to function properly and not cause premature part failures. Avoid allowing strong chemicals, oils, diapers, plastics etc. from entering your onsite and pump systems. Before an issue arises due to harsh temperatures, it may be best to contact your service providers about any recommended preventative maintenance or back-up devices that may be available.

For those with E/One grinder pumps, we suggest checking out www.eone.com for monitoring and maintenance information or calling an authorized service representative. Site Specific Design is listed as the service provider for Eastern Pennsylvania. Their office number is (215)887-3730 or toll free are (800)295-8853. If you haven't taken advantage of the infrastructure already in place in the sewer districts, it may be a good time to revisit this decision.

The Sewer Advisory Committee wants to serve the needs of the residents of Thornbury Township. We invite residents to attend our meetings if they are interested in public sewer for their homes or if they have any other sewer or onsite system inquiries. **T**

PLANNING COMMISSION UPDATE

All residents are invited to attend meetings held on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm.

Subdivision & Land Development: 26 Westtown Rd., (a.k.a. Polnerow) Minor Land Development Plan

At the November meeting the applicant presented a plan to build a farmhouse type garage and relocate the driveway to line up with Fox Brook La. on a 4 acre property. A highway permit, stormwater management, historic preservation, tree replacement, and headlight glare were discussed. The members recommended this plan for approval conditioned upon the satisfactory compliance with Catania

Engineering Associates, Inc. letter of November 12, 2019. As part of the motion, the Planning Commission also recommended the following waivers: *Section 22-404*: Allowing the first plan submission to be considered as a Final Plan.

Section 22-602.8: Waiving the requirement of widening Westtown Rd. and the right of way.

Section 22-602.15: Waiving the requirement of Curb and Sidewalk along the entire property frontage along Westtown Rd.

Rachel Kohl Community Library 40TH ANNIVERSARY FUNDRAISER IL GRANAIO 711 CONCORD RD GLEN MILLS, PA 19342 3.25.2020 • 5:30PM \$100 per ticket includes 4 course meal & a glass of wine You are welcome to bring your own wine and champagne TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE LIBRARY.

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Thornbury Township, delaware county calendar, meetings and contacts



MARCH

Zoning Hearing Board Mtg3 2 20
Board of Supervisors Mtg3 4 20
Daylight Savings Time3 8 20
Planning Commission Mtg3 11 20
Park & Recreation Mtg3 12 20

St. Patrick's Day3 17 20	
Historical Commission Mtg3 17 20	
Board of Supervisors Mtg3 18 20	
EAC Mtg3 19 20	
Sewer Committee Mtg 3 26 20	

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April Fool's Day	.4 1 20
Easter Egg Hunt	.4 4 20
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Township Offices Closed	.4 9 20

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Local Government Day 4 17 20
Historical Commission Mtg4 21 20
Earth Day 4 22 20
American Red Cross Blood Drive4 23 20
Sewer Committee Mtg 4 23 20
Township Yard Sale Day 4 25 20

MAY

Zoning Hearing Board Mtg5 4 20
Board of Supervisors Mtg5 6 20
Mother's Day 5 10 20
Planning Commission Mtg 5 13 20
Annual Dog Show 5 16 20
Historical Commission Mtg5 18 20

Board of Supervisors Mtg5 20 20	
EAC Mtg5 21 20	
Memorial Day Ceremony 5 25 20	
Memorial Day: Twp. Offices Closed 5 25 20	
Yoga in the Park Begins 5 27 20	
Sewer Committee Mtg	

BOARD MEETINGS

Board of Supervisors

1st & 3rd Wednesdays: 7:00pm

James Raith, Chairman

James Kelly, Vice Chairman

Sheri Perkins, Supervisor

Zoning Hearing Board

1st Monday (if needed): 7:00pm

Environmental Advisory Council

3rd Thursday: 7:00pm

Park & Recreation Board

2nd Thursday: 7:00pm

Historical Commission

3rd Tuesday: 7:00pm

Planning Commission

2nd Wednesday: 7:00pm

Sewer Committee

4th Thursday: 7:00pm

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