



## March 2023 - Digital Newsletter

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Amity Township was awarded a DCED Local Share Account Statewide grant in the amount of \$169,735.00. The funds will be used to purchase public sewer televising equipment and composite samplers. Township staff and appointed Wastewater Engineers work diligently to find and apply for funding, in an effort to keep costs as low as possible for our ratepayers.

The grant application process was quite competitive, The DCED received applications for eligible projects totaling more than \$414 million for the approximately \$56 million of funds available. The Board of Supervisors wish to extend sincere appreciation to Representative Mark Gillen and Senator Tracy Pennycuick for their support and endorsement of the Township's grant application.

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## TowerDIRECT Responding in Amity Township



TowerDIRECT began providing coverage in Amity Township on March 15th. The non-profit ambulance company houses (1) ALS unit in the Township at 824 E. Benjamin Franklin Highway. The TowerDIRECT team anticipates responding to approximately 1,700 calls in Amity. As part of the one-year contract, all Amity Township residents receive ambulance membership for 2023. This means Township residents will NOT incur out-of-pocket expenses for emergency services, consistent with the details of their insurance coverage. Township residents will also receive discounted transportation for using TowerDIRECT for non-emergency patient transport.

In a press release last week, Tower Health President and CEO, P. Sue Perrotty said, “As we continue to expand services to the communities we care for, we’ve also grown the TowerDIRECT team. Since the beginning of the year, we have added three new ambulances and a total of 28 new EMT’s, paramedics and pre-hospital nurses.”. The new ambulances and team members will help provide high-quality care to patients in Amity and neighboring Union Township.

TowerDIRECT is being dispatched by Berks County 911 Communications Center. You will also see TowerDIRECT providing medical care at community events such as parades, football games, our 2023 Harvest Fest and other large public gatherings.

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**Mark your calendar and plan to join us!**



The Harvest Festival Committee began meeting and plan on making this the biggest celebration yet! Watch the Township and Amity 360 Facebook pages for updates.

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Ordinance #324 was adopted in late 2020, establishing a business registry. The registry will provide our staff with the required information that may be needed during emergencies as well as code compliance. Notices are being sent to local businesses who must register. Click the image above for more information or contact our Zoning Officer at 610-953-0023.

[No Impact Home Based Businesses and Home Occupations are exempt from these requirements.](#)

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# Daniel Boone Optimist Club Easter Egg Hunt

**Ages 0-10 years**  
**Saturday April 1, 2023, 1:00 p.m.**

**Amity Community Park**  
**2004 Weavertown Road**  
**Douglassville, PA 19518**  
**(Rain date: Saturday, April 8th)**



**Candy...Prizes...Fun**

Like Us on Facebook  
Visit: [www.danielbooneoptimist.com](http://www.danielbooneoptimist.com)



Daniel Boone Optimist Club will award (4) scholarships to graduating seniors who live within the boundaries of Daniel Boone School District. Applications due by **March 31st**.

Click the picture above for more information and apply today!

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# Douglass Township Berks is hosting **BOWL & LASER TAG**

with Douglass Twp Berks, Amity Twp, Eastern  
Berks Regional and West Pottsgrove Police,  
Fire and First Responders



## JAY LANES



1428 Ben Franklin Highway E, Douglassville  
(610) 323-2434

COME JOIN US FOR A FUN  
FILLED EVENING!  
  
YOU GET TO MEET, GREET,  
AND BOWL OR PLAY LASER  
TAG WITH THE POLICE  
OFFICERS IN YOUR  
COMMUNITY!



## Saturday, April 22, 2023

### 5:00pm - 8:00pm

**Free event with door  
prizes**

**Call Today to  
Reserve Your Spot**

Don't miss your chance to bowl or play a round of laser tag with some of the area's finest Police Officers! Space is limited. **Call 610-323-2434 to reserve your spot.**

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## TELL US WHAT YOU THINK!

**State Transportation Commission (STC)  
2023 Public Outreach Campaign for the Update of the 12-Year Program**

Stakeholders Initial Email: **Wednesday, March 1**

You are a key stakeholder in transportation planning, and we encourage you to share the following information with your audience!

The State Transportation Commission (STC) and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation are excited to announce the 2023 Public Comment Period for the update of the 12-Year Program. The Public Comment Period is open Wednesday, March 1, through Sunday, April 30, 2023.

The STC recently released the 2023 [Transportation Performance Report \(TPR\)](#). This report contains information about how Pennsylvania's transportation system performed over the last two years. We encourage you to read and share the report and then - Tell Us What YOU Think!

Your feedback is important! Please take a few minutes to complete our [Transportation Survey](#) online or contact us at 717-783-2262 to request a paper copy or to complete the survey over the phone.

We also encourage you to join us for the Online Public Forum on Wednesday, April 12, 2023, featuring a presentation from PennDOT State Transportation Commission officials and a live Q&A session. More details will follow, so you'll be hearing from us again soon!

The internet links included in this content may be blocked due to internet security settings. To view the content referenced in these links, please visit the State Transportation Commission website at [TalkPATransportation.com](http://TalkPATransportation.com).

Thank You!

# Make your voice heard!

## Survey deadline 4/30/2023



Berks County Solid Waste Authority  
 Community Shredding Event  
 Sponsored by VRC Companies, LLC



April 22, 2023

**Pre-registration is required to participate**

**Governor Mifflin Intermediate School**  
**600 Governor Drive**  
**Shillington, Pa. 19607**

[Click here to REGISTER](#)

8:00 AM – Noon

**5 boxes per vehicle maximum.**

Residents of Berks County are encouraged to bring personal and confidential documents to our shredding event. No need to remove staples.

**No Plastic Bags will be accepted. No binders, binder clips, metal or any type of trash. Please make sure that you only bring confidential paper materials for shredding. NO TRASH**

**Individuals only please. No businesses will be accepted.**

Identity theft is the fastest growing crime in the United States according to the FBI. Approximately 7 million Americans become victims of identity theft each year. Have your personal and confidential documents shredded and recycled.

Help protect yourself and your family from identity theft by having your personal and confidential information shredded, such as:

- Obsolete tax documents
- Bank statements / canceled checks
- Credit card statements and receipts
- Credit card offers
- Financial account statements
- Insurance documents
- All sensitive information: Birthdates, social security numbers, signatures, passwords and Pins
- Legal documents
- Credit reports and histories
- **Any document you want safely destroyed!**

For additional information : 610-478-6362 / [jmeeks@berkscswa.com](mailto:jmeeks@berkscswa.com)  
[www.countyofberks.com/swa](http://www.countyofberks.com/swa)

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2023 AT 3 PM – 7 PM  
**St. Paul's Famous Turkey Supper**  
St. Paul's UCC, Amityville, PA



Tickets are on sale now, \$15.00 per dinner. Kids under 12 eat for \$8. **ALL YOU CAN EAT!** Dessert included and takeout is available.

# Community Shredding Event



Amity Township Crime Watch  
Saturday, May 20, 2023 (Rain or Shine)  
9:00 A.M. to Noon  
Redner's Parking Lot  
Douglassville



**CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS ONLY...NO FOLDERS!**

Open to residents in Douglassville and surrounding areas. **Local Businesses only!**  
Shredding is done by **ProShred Security of Paoli**.

*Donations accepted to help defray the cost of the shredding trucks.*

[www.amitytwpcrimewatch.org](http://www.amitytwpcrimewatch.org)  
610-689-5994

[www.proshred.com](http://www.proshred.com)  
484-323-2100

**HELP STOP IDENTITY THEFT --- SHRED YOUR OUTDATED DOCUMENTS!**



# BERKS COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

ALL RESIDENTS MUST PRE-REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT  
(RESIDENTS OF BERKS COUNTY ONLY)

APRIL 15, 2023 (8:00 AM – NOON)  
GOVERNOR MIFFLIN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL  
600 GOVERNOR DRIVE  
SHILLINGTON, PA 19607

**Registration Required - [Click Here to Register](#)**



# Monocacy Hill Recreation Area



## HAPPENING AT THE HILL THIS SPRING.....



WORK WEEKEND - MARCH 18 AND MARCH 19  
CALL 610 385-3226 AND LEAVE MESSAGE TO SIGN UP



WALK IN THE WOODS - SUNDAY, MARCH 26 - 1:30PM

**WILDFLOWER WALKS**  
SUNDAY, APRIL 2- 1:30PM  
SUNDAY, APRIL 23 - 1:30PM



## SPRING OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY MAY 7 10AM TO 5PM

JOIN US FOR ONE OF OUR HIKES OR JUST STOP IN  
FOR FREE SNACKS AND DRINKS!

MORNING BIRD WALK

co sponsored by BERKS SIERRA CLUB - 7:45AM

WALK IN THE WOODS - 11:00AM

WILDFLOWER WALK - 1:30PM WITH DR SUSAN MUNCH

YOUTH SCAVENGER HUNT - 3:00PM

SUNSET HIKE - 7:00PM



WALK IN THE WOODS - SUNDAY, JUNE 4 - 1:30 PM



ALL WALKS START FROM THE GEIGER ROAD PARKING LOT AND ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. ALL CHILDREN YOUNGER THAN 18 YEARS OF AGE MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. HEAVY RAIN OR SNOW CANCELS EVENT. CHECK OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR CANCELLATIONS.

# DON'T MISS OUR APRIL FUNDRAISER!

Two years ago Kimberton Whole Foods included us as part of their community fundraising program "**Rounding up at the Register**". We were thrilled at the community response when we raised over \$4,000! This year again they have asked us to participate in the month of April. We are looking forward to this opportunity to raise money for the park and spread the word about Monocacy Hill Recreation Area. We are grateful to have this awesome community partner!



**Be sure to look for our Facebook posts in the month of April, shop at KWF, and round up your purchase at the register for MHCA. Money raised will go to park improvements, educational programs and park maintenance.**

Established in Douglassville in 2007, Kimberton Whole Foods specializes in fresh locally grown produce, organic foods, as well as supplements and natural body products. Kimberton Whole Foods has been a wonderful community partner to so many non-profit groups in Southeastern PA. They now have 8 store locations, including a new one in Wyomissing. Here in Douglassville their fundraising program has benefitted Amity Fire Company, Rock Hollow Woods, Helping Harvest, Boone Area Library and many more. To find out more about the store, check out their website at [www.kimbertonwholefoods.com](http://www.kimbertonwholefoods.com).



## BIG NEWS IN 2023!

Where does the time go? **Monocacy Hill Conservation Assn. will be celebrating our 25th Anniversary this year!** We are planning a celebration this fall, so be on the lookout for more updates in a few months. Our organization is grateful to all of the people over the years that have supported us as volunteers and members and to all the business partners and organizations we have worked with. Together we have sustained this beautiful woodland park for all to enjoy.

**TO MAKE A DONATION OR BECOME A MEMBER [CLICK HERE!](#)**

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Applications are still being accepted for the **2022-2023 LIHEAP** season. Low-income families can apply for assistance online or by completing and mailing a paper form to the Berks County Assistance Office. For more details or to apply online, click the image below.

**Applications must be received by April 28, 2023.**

Household Size	Income Limit
1	\$20,385
2	\$27,465
3	\$34,545
4	\$41,625
5	\$48,705
6	\$55,785
7	\$62,865
8	\$69,945
9	\$77,025
10	\$84,105
For every additional person, add \$7,080	

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# YMCA Day Camp is Back!

2023 Summer camp will run from June 5th through August 25th and will be held at Amity Community Park. For more information or to sign-up, click the pictures below.



## LIVE YOUR BEST LIFE AT YMCA DAY CAMP!

WEEKLY TRIPS

SWIMMING

SPORTS

ARTS & CRAFTS

TEAM BUILDING

STEAM FUN

CHARACTER  
DEVELOPMENT

AND MORE!

SCAN HERE FOR  
PRICES AND  
REGISTRATION



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE  
AVAILABLE. CONTACT  
YOUR BRANCH.



### LOCATIONS

ADAMSTOWN YMCA  
AMITY COMMUNITY PARK  
MIFFLIN AREA YMCA

READING YMCA  
SINKING SPRING YMCA  
TRI VALLEY YMCA



CHECK OUT OUR 2023  
WEEKLY THEMES!



# YMCA DAY CAMP 2023 WEEKLY THEMES



**PARENTS, PLEASE CHECK WEEKLY NEWSLETTERS FOR YOUR CHILDS CAMP THEME. BELOW IS A LIST OF THEMES EACH CAMP WILL OFFER.**

## **READY? SET. SUMMER-CAMP KINDNESS**

**HOORAY! WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!**

**LET'S GET CAMP STARTED. CAMPERS WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO EXPLORE ACTS OF KINDNESS. THEY WILL LEARN WHAT IT MEANS TO SERVE THEIR FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBORS IN POSITIVE KINDHEARTED WAYS.**

**MAD SCIENCE-WHAT FORCES KEEP YOUR FEET ON THE GROUND AND PLANES FLYING THROUGH THE SKY? YOUR CHILD WILL DIVE DEEP FOR A WEEK OF SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY!**

## **LOST IN SPACE**

**ROCKETS, PLANETS, ALIENS AND MORE AWAIT YOUR CHILD DURING A WEEK IN OUTERSPACE! WE WILL SHOOT FOR THE STARS ALL THIS WEEK!**

## **GAME SHOW AND ALL BALLS**

**EVERYBODY GETS A TURN THIS WEEK! LET'S PLAY THE GAMES WE LOVE AND GAMES WE CAN'T WAIT TO MASTER! WHETHER IT'S ON A BOARD OR ON A FIELD! IT'S TIME TO PLAY!**

## **SUMMERTIME SUPERHERO'S**

**DIVE INTO ALL THINGS SUPER-HUMAN AND EXPLORE YOUR OWN SUPERHERO WITHIN. INVISIBILITY, FLIGHT, OR SUPER-STRENGTH, WHAT WOULD YOU CHOOSE?**

## **CAMP'S GOT TALENT**

**JOIN THE CAST AND HOP ON STAGE! THROUGH STORYTELLING AND CHARACTER EXPLORATION YOUR CHILD WILL GAIN CONFIDENCE THROUGH PERFORMANCE.**

## **DETECTIVE CHALLENGE**

**GRAB YOUR DETECTIVE HAT AND MAGNIFYING GLASS AND LET'S CHECK FOR CLUES. IT'S TEAMWORK, OBSERVATION, AND LOGIC TO SOLVE THIS WACKY MYSTERY.**

## **WITCHES AND WIZARDS**

**CREATE YOUR WAND AND IMPROVE YOUR MAGIC SKILLS BY TELLING STORIES AND MAKING POTIONS.**

## **FARM FABULOUS**

**STRAWBERRIES, POTATOES, AND EGGS, WHERE DO THEY COME FROM? THIS WEEK'S ALL ABOUT LIFE ON THE FARM! HOP IN YOUR OVERALLS, COCK-A-DODDLE-DOO, LET'S DIG IN!**

## **WILDLIFE**

**WHO'S THE KING OR QUEEN OF THE JUNGLE? WE'LL STEP INTO A WILDERNESS ADVENTURE THROUGH THE DESERTS, SWAMPS AND ANCIENT FORESTS TO SEE WHAT LIVES WITHIN THEM.**

## **BUMMER... END OF SUMMER**

**SUMMER IS ALMOST OVER, BUMMER! LET'S CELEBRATE THE FINAL WEEK OF CAMP WITH GAMES, FUN AND AN END OF THE YEAR SUMMER PARTY. WE WILL MAKE SURE TO INCLUDE ALL OF CAMPERS FAVORITES THIS WEEK**

**FOR REGISTRATION AND MORE  
INFORMATION, VISIT OUR WEBSITE  
[WWW.YMCARBC.ORG](http://WWW.YMCARBC.ORG)**



**Meetings are held at the Township Building unless otherwise stated.**

Thursday, April 13th at 7:00PM - Planning Commission

Tuesday, April 18th at 6:30PM - Parks and Recreation - Meet at Lake Drive Pavilion

Wednesday, April 19th at 7:00PM - Board of Supervisors

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Amity Township Board of Supervisors

Kim McGrath, Chairperson / Dave Hackett, Vice Chair

Paul "Skip" Weller, Terry Jones, and Kevin Keifrider

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