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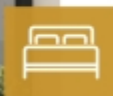


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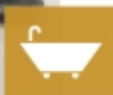
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We would like to thank all of the local businesses who supported this edition, and ask that you support them as often as you can.

What would you like to see? If you have content suggestions for future editions, email us at easttown@easttown.org.

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MESSAGE FROM TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

Fall is here, and along with it is budget season. In preparation, it's a great time to ask ourselves, "What do we want Easttown to be?" In the past, we've been somewhat of a bedroom community where residents send kids to our excellent schools, but work in surrounding communities, and vacation elsewhere. I believe that's changing, with more residents seeing neighboring municipalities offering excellent amenities and believing we can have them here too.

I want more sidewalks to make our Township far more pedestrian friendly. I'd love more parks, trails, and open spaces so our residents have the option to stay local to enjoy their leisure time. If you'd like to have more amenities and services in our community, please attend our board meetings, add your two cents during public comment, and make your opinions known. And if you prefer things the way they are, I still encourage you to attend and make your viewpoint known. A community prospers when leaders are held accountable to their constituents. I hope to see you there and hear your vision for Easttown.

Supervisor Alex Bosco

UPCOMING EVENTS

Minding Your Mind!

Thursday, December 1 - 1:00-2:00 PM

Easttown Township Library

Mindfulness means taking time in our lives to notice what is happening right now with kindness towards ourselves. What is mindfulness and why should we try it? Come find out at this introduction to mindfulness session. We will practice mindful listening, mindful breathing, pay attention to our thoughts, our feelings, what is happening outside and inside ourselves, and being thankful. Our meeting will include a conversation about how mindfulness can help us enjoy our lives more! Registration is required. Please visit <https://ccls.libcal.com/event/9634086>.



Christmas Tree Lighting, Carol Sing with Mrs. Claus, Meet & Greet

Sunday, December 4 - 5:00-6:00 PM, Santa Arrives at 6:00 PM

Devon Train Station

(Sing to "Santa Claus is coming to town")

Get lights on your house, Wreath on the door, You better not pout, Cause on December 4, Santa Claus is comin' to Easttown!

He's riding the truck, Toots the horn twice, He's kept his eye on, Who's naughty or nice, Santa Claus is comin' to Easttown!

He'll arrive at the train station, To learn what you may wish, Sing carols with Footlighters, And Don't forget your lists

So you better be good, And pick up your toys, Be nice at school to, All the girls and boys, Cause Santa Claus is comin' to Easttown!

Santa checking his Naughty and Nice List at the North Pole



Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, December 8 - 1:00-6:00 PM

Easttown Township Library

This holiday season, give the best gift of all to those who really need it.

Visit www.redcrossblood.org/give.html to schedule your blood donation.



2022 Winter Luminary Nights

Friday Sunday, December 9-11

5:00-6:30 PM or 6:30-8:00 PM

Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens

As the days grow shorter, we invite you to join us at Jenkins for a celebration of winter light! The arboretum will be aglow with luminary-lined paths, hot beverages, and the warmth of friends and neighbors. Bundle up for a walk down to the pond while enjoying luminary lanterns, then enjoy delicious bites and brews outside the John J. Willaman Education Center. Our giant wreath will also be on display creating the perfect backdrop for a holiday photo. For more information, please visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/2022-winter-luminary-nights-1198599>.



2022 Denny Leeper Endowment Challenge Match



Thanks to the generosity of two anonymous donors, Easttown Library has the opportunity to add a total of \$30,000 to its Endowment Fund through the 2022 Denny Leeper Endowment Challenge Match! This means that any first-time

Endowment Fund gift or any increased amount from an individual's 23021 Endowment Fund contribution to the library will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to \$15,000. The endowment serves as a self-sustaining revenue source for Easttown Library. Up to 5% of the endowment's year-end value may be used to support the library's annual operating costs, programs, and future capital needs. This Challenge Match is named in honor of Easttown Library Foundation's immediate-past president Dennis ("Denny") Leeper for his enduring commitment to the excellence of Easttown Library and his advocacy of dedicated funding for Pennsylvania public libraries. If you are interested in helping the library meet this Challenge Match by

making an Endowment Fund gift in honor of Denny Leeper, please visit www.easttownlibrary.org for more information.

COMING JANUARY 2023

Seed Library

Easttown Library is working in partnership with the Easttown Township Environmental Advisory Council to establish a seed library for the community. Beginning in January 2023, gardeners may take and return seeds to the seed library, which will be in the Easttown Library lobby. Seed libraries are popular and beneficial because they build community, encourage gardening, promote healthy eating, and help preserve genetic diversity.

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

FEATURED VOLUNTEER: WILLIAM F. CONNOR, III



William "Bill" Connor currently serves Easttown Township as Chair of the Zoning Hearing Board. Bill is also a member of the Chester County Library Board and the Chester County Library Foundation Board. Formerly, he was an Easttown Township Supervisor (1995-2007), a member of the Easttown Planning Commission, the Tredyffrin-Easttown Emergency Services Board, the Wissahickon Charter School Foundation Board, and the Wissahickon Hospice Board. Of the above, the most meaningful project was serving as Board of Supervisors Liaison to the Easttown Library Board in accomplishing construction of our

current library. It was the first public/private partnership construction project in Pennsylvania and has served as a model for other libraries in the Commonwealth.

What is your profession? Are you working on or have you had a project that you have been especially proud of?

...I have just retired from owning a Project Management company for 23 years.

What was your first job?

...Emptying the trash and sweeping floors at the drug store for my Dad where I learned the importance of customer service.

If you could do anything, what's your dream profession?

...Bass player in a band.

What hobbies and interests do you have outside of work?

...Sailing with my wife, Sue, spending time with family, and doing anything with my three grandkids. I was recently recruited as a boat captain for Sail Beyond Cancer in Annapolis.

Favorite vacation spot you would recommend?

...The Chesapeake Bay

What reading material is on your nightstand?

...Good to Great by Jim Collins

What Philly team is your favorite?

...Philadelphia Eagles

What is your favorite Ice Cream flavor?

...Handel's Mint Chocolate Chip

Do you have pets? What are their names?

...We enjoy a grand-pup named Maggie.

What positive experience did you have through the pandemic?

...My family was hit hard by the pandemic. In the course of the first year, I lost three immediate family members, two of them to COVID-19. Life slowed down drastically. I had more time and clarity to focus on important things: the fact that life is tenuous.

What do you love about living in Easttown Township?

...I was born in the village of Berwyn. My dad and uncle operated Connor's Pharmacy on Lancaster Avenue for over 40 years. It's a small community with great schools and plenty of big-hearted people who give generously to the Township, youth sports, and community programs. It's a place I'm proud to call home.

What advice would you give your 20-year-old self?

...Follow your instincts.

What is the mantra you live by?

...Do your very best.

FEATURED EMPLOYEE: COLLEEN GRAY



We are pleased to welcome Colleen Gray as the newest member of our team at Easttown Township. She is the new Director of Planning and Zoning and Zoning Officer. Colleen grew up in Aston Township, graduated from Neumann University with a degree in Communications, and currently resides in Springfield Township, Delaware County.

She started working at a civil engineering company in 2000 doing preliminary plan reviews, and preparing specifications and contract documents. Twenty-two years later, she is still working in the municipal field and loves it. Colleen has been happily married for almost 10 years and has a 6-year-old son.

We asked Colleen to answer a few questions to help introduce herself to the Township.

Tell us three character traits your friends would use to describe you:

...Considerate | Dependable | Witty

What is your proudest achievement outside of work?

...Aside from having my son, my proudest achievement would be participating and completing several half marathons. For a long time I would complete a minimum of two half marathons a year, however not having as much time to train for each race has made me adjust that tradition.

What do you like to do?

...I enjoy spending a lot of time outside, whether it be doing yard work,

hanging out at the playground with my son or walking my dogs at a park. As long as I can enjoy the sunshine I will definitely be outside doing something. I also have I have so many happy memories being in Cape May with friends and family that I try to spend as much time there as possible.

What was the first concert you ever attended?

...I love music and the arts so I try to go to as many live performances as I can. The first concert I ever attended was Aerosmith's Get a Grip Tour when I was 12. My sister and I got front row seats and went home with a bunch of incredible souvenirs such as a guitar pick Joe Perry, soda can from Stephen Tyler and drum sticks from Joey Kramer.

What would you tell your 13-year-old self?

...There are two things I would tell my 13 year old self: (1) Axl Rose will not make a good husband and (2) good people always land on their feet. Just stay true to yourself and good to others, and magical things will happen.

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SUMMER CONCERT SERIES REVIEW

The beautifully restored Hilltop House Courtyard at Hilltop Park became center stage for Easttown Township Parks and Recreation Summer Concert Series debut. An array of musical talent entertained concertgoers on Tuesday evenings throughout the summer months.

The first event of the series featured Elvis—that's right Elvis was in the House...Hilltop House that is!! And he Jail House Rocked it!! Bedazzled in the famous Aloha Elvis white studded, flared leg, high collar attire, Elvis had the audience singing, dancing and laughing! Young or old everyone kicked up with blue



suede shoes! Jeff Krick Jr. a local talent performed in Hawaii, Las Vegas and headlined on numerous cruise ships. Jeff placed in the top ten of the "Images of the King" contest in the hometown of the King.

The second event included a talented group of singers, The Valley Forge Chorus, dazzled concertgoers with cappella harmonies including Beatles' tunes, patriotic anthems, and sing along hits! The Valley Forge Chorus prides itself on empowering its members as they come together from all different backgrounds, vocations and ethnicities to share their musical talents with all.

The covered terrace of Hilltop House transformed into a small club-like atmosphere for the third where guests could listen to the incredibly talented local acoustic guitarist Nick Foresta. Nick performed popular tunes along with

audience requests that included the Everly Brothers, Johnny Cash, Rolling Stones, Tom Petty and much, much more! Smooth sounds of songs you love and never forget.

The last concert was Erich Cawalla and the Uptown Band performing on another glorious evening...WOW!! This great full piece band complete with a horn section to boot performed all your favorite party and boogie woogie dance tunes—best part was folks brought snacks, picnics and got their groove on!

The Summer Concert Series was implemented by the Easttown Township Board of Supervisors and implemented by the Park and Recreation Board. If you "just want something fun to do" on a Tuesday summer evening, Easttown Township's Concert Series at Hilltop Park is the place to be. The concerts are free and family friendly.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL AT FOOTLIGHTERS!



It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas — when calendars begin to fill with a plethora of activities — so Mark your Calendar **NOW** in Red and Green ink for

the 9th to the 18th of December when Berwyn's own Footlighters Theater will present Alan Menken's **A CHRISTMAS CAROL**.

A Christmas Carol is a beloved musical featuring music by the incredible Alan Menken, lyrics by Lynn Ahrens, and book by Mike Ockrent and Lynn Ahrens. Based on Charles Dickens' 1843 novella of the same name, the show was presented annually at NY's Paramount Theatre in Madison Square Garden each December from 1994 through 2003. Over the years, the role of Ebenezer

Scrooge was played by a cornucopia of leading men, from Terrance Mann to Roger Daltry to Frank Langella to Tim Curry. In 2004, the production was adapted for television featuring Kelsey Grammer. Jason Alexander, Jane Krakowski, Geraldine Chaplin and Jennifer Love Hewitt and quickly became a family favorite. The musical features many memorable songs including "A Place Called Home," "Link by Link" and "Mr. Fezziwig's Annual Christmas Ball."

Footlighters' outstanding cast of local performers will bring the production to life in their historic theater, located at 58 Main Avenue in the heart of Berwyn. They will also be joining in the fun at the Annual Berwyn Christmas Tree Lighting on December 4th, so you will have the opportunity to enjoy their talents there as well.

This non-profit community theater is the oldest on the Main Line (founded in 1929) and opened its 2022-23 season with Steven Sondheim's "Assassins" and "Eurydice." It will continue the season in 2023 with "The Last Flapper," the much-loved "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown," and "Disaster," a fun-filled, "jukebox musical comedy" featuring earthquakes, tidal waves, piranhas, infernos and songs of the '70s in a comedic homage to 1970s disaster films.

Tickets are available online at www.footlighterstheater.com and at the door. Follow the fun on Facebook and Instagram. Sensory-sensitive performances will be offered for A Christmas Carol and Charlie Brown to accommodate theater-lovers with sensory issues.

10 TIPS TO WINTERIZE YOUR HOME

When the temperature begins to drop, consider these maintenance and end-of-season tasks that will help you winterize your home and protect your property. Here are 10 simple tips for tasks so you can protect your home all winter long:

1. CHECK THE GUTTERS. Cleaning your gutters is an important part of winter prep. A good rule of thumb is to have the gutters cleaned as soon as the last leaves have fallen in the autumn. To prevent clogging, inspect and clean the gutters of leaves and other debris. Clean gutters also allow melting snow to drain properly and prevent ice dams. Make sure your attic floor is properly insulated. The attic itself should be well-ventilated and about 10 degrees warmer than the temperature outside.

2. PROTECT THE PIPES. Protect against frozen pipes by insulating those that could be susceptible to freezing. When the temperature drops below 32 degrees Fahrenheit, keep a stream of water running in a few faucets to guard against freezing and bursting. To protect plumbing under kitchen and bathroom sinks, consider opening the cabinet doors so warm air can surround the pipes. It's also a good idea to learn how to shut the water off and know where your pipes are located.

3. BLOCK THE COLD. Caulk holes and around windows, doors, air conditioners and mail chutes to help prevent cold air from seeping in. Use foam outlet protectors to prevent cold air from entering your home. However, the majority of heat loss typically occurs via openings in the attic. Check to make sure that you have enough insulation.

4. TIME TO WEATHERPROOF. Install weather stripping and seals to prevent cold air from entering your home or heat from escaping it, which will reduce your power bills. Door sweeps are also an effective and easy way to keep the cold out.

5. STOP THE SLIPS, TRIPS AND FALLS. Stock up on staples ahead of time, like a snow shovel, ice scraper, flashlights and extra batteries. Keep driveways and sidewalks clear of ice and snow and repair any issues with steps and handrails. You can also be prepared for winter weather safety by keeping deicing salt handy for sprinkling on steps, sidewalks and your driveway. Be sure to read the directions for proper distribution and protective gear.

6. KEEP IT COZY. Set your thermostat to at least 65 degrees Fahrenheit and make sure your house or apartment is well-insulated. Lower the thermostat a few degrees while you're away or sleeping. Consider installing an energy efficient or programmable thermostat to help you keep warm air in the rooms you use the most without racking up high energy bills.

7. HAVE YOUR HEATING SYSTEM CHECKED. Furnaces, boilers and chimneys should be serviced at least once a year to clear any buildup and to keep them running efficiently. Animal nests or creosote buildup in your fireplace can be hazardous. Have an annual inspection before building your first fire of the season. You should also vacuum or sweep out any accumulated ash from the firebox.

8. TEST YOUR SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS. Residential fires are more common in winter, so it is important that all your smoke detectors work. Check them monthly and replace batteries as needed. You should also consider installing a carbon monoxide detector to avoid inadvertently trapping the toxic gas in your home.

9. CLEAR THE YARD. Keep the trees trimmed and remove dead branches and debris from your yard. Ice, snow and wind can weaken trees and cause branches to fall and potentially damage your home, car or even yourself and others.

10. BRING IN THE OUTDOORS. Cold temperatures, snow and ice can damage outdoor furniture and grills. If possible, store them in a garage or basement. If you have a gas grill with a propane tank, close the tank valve and disconnect the tank first. It must be stored outside. If you don't have storage space for your items, purchase covers to protect them from the elements. Remove all garden hoses that are attached to the house, drain them and store them away. Shut off the valves and insulate the faucet.

If you are heading south for the winter, you need to take extra precautions. Turn the water completely off and consider having the plumbing system drained to keep pipes from freezing. Also, have a friend or neighbor check on your home regularly to look for any issues. If a problem is detected, act quickly to minimize potential damage to your property.

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Parcel details for properties in Easttown Township can be found by going to the Township website www.easttown.org and using MapLink, our interactive Zoning Map. When searching for an address, we recommend excluding the street type (i.e. When entering 1234 Main Street, just use 1234 Main in your search). If you are looking for more details, a Right-to-Know request can be submitted to review property records. While Easttown Township does not have a catalogue of site maps or plot plans for every property within its jurisdiction, historical property records may contain additional details. Further property details may also be available with the Chester County Recorder of Deeds.

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Where can I request a copy of my most recent tax bill?

-For municipal taxes, Easttown Township outsources all tax billing to the Chester County Treasurer. Tax billing questions can be directed to their office at 610-344-6370 or visit their website www.chesco.org.

-For real estate taxes, all billing and collection occurs through Treddyffrin/Easttown School District's Tax Office. If you have any questions about Real Estate Tax payments, please contact their office at 610-240-1940 or email Sharon Romer at romers@tesd.net.



How can I acquire trash and recycle cans for my property?

-Recycling containers are provided to residents by the contracted hauler, Republic Services, and are available through the Township. Please call 610-687-3000 to request a container.

-Trash receptacles are the responsibility of the property owner and can be purchased at most local home improvement stores. Residents are allowed up to eight (8) 64-gallon covered containers per collection day.



LIBRARY NEWS

BEST WINTER READS! HANDPICKED BY THE EASTTOWN LIBRARY STAFF

The Twelve Dates of Christmas by Jenny Bayliss

Peace Like a River by Leif Enger

Bloom by Kenneth Oppel



Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt



The Guncle by Steven Rowley



Wintering by Katherine May

Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell by Robert Dugoni

The Heart's Invisible Furies by John Boyne



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Rosenbach Museum
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PAOLI HOSPITAL OPENS NEW LABS

Paoli Hospital opens state-of-the-art interventional labs now offering world-class stroke and heart care in Chester County

This fall, Paoli Hospital, part of Main Line Health, welcomed new, state-of-the-art interventional labs, offering the most advanced diagnostics and treatment available for patients experiencing stroke and heart disease.

The meticulously designed space includes five dedicated, state-of-the-art labs for neurointerventional, cardiac catheterization and electrophysiology procedures, and 11 private, well-appointed patient areas for pre- and post-procedure care. Features include the most advanced imaging equipment available to guide interventional procedures, unparalleled amenities to ensure patient comfort and a collaborative environment where a highly trained team of experts can interact with ease.

With these new Interventional Labs, Paoli Hospital now offers the capabilities to perform a myriad of

complex procedures including mechanical thrombectomy, endovascular coiling to address an aneurysm or a malformation, and embolization to treat hematoma. In addition, the newly updated cardiac catheterization lab positions Paoli Hospital to offer more sophisticated structural heart procedures in the future.

These advancements were funded by a generous community of 366 donors, making gifts totaling more than \$7 million to the Paoli Hospital Foundation.

Visit: www.mainlinehealth.org/phgiving to learn more about the Interventional Suite, or make a gift in support of these advancements.



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Bryn Mawr Hospital

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U.S. News & World Report ranked Lankenau Medical Center, Bryn Mawr Hospital and Paoli Hospital among the Best in the Philadelphia region and the state of Pennsylvania for 2022-2023.

This acknowledgement exemplifies our commitment to provide the very best *human care* to our patients, families and communities.



STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Introducing Easttown's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)

First: an environmentalist's idealistic and public-spirited admonition: Easttown Township, together with its residents, is an environmental steward for our own landscape. However, situated within the uplands of the Darby Creek and Crum Creek watersheds environs, the Township also has a role and responsibility in our downstream neighbors', Delaware Bay's and ultimately the Atlantic Ocean's water quality. Yet another aspect: Under Easttown's streets, along with water supply and sanitary sewer pipes, a separate municipal stormwater system is present. Its 100+ culverts collect rain and melted snow and ice into sub-surface pipes that drain to our streams. This run-off water carries sediments from erosion and litter.

The preceding introduction's arguably lofty language *qualitatively* summarizes Easttown's administrative and quantitative local implementation requirements under the Commonwealth's MS4 program. (Municipal Separate Stormwater System). MS4 is a highly detailed and challenging federal mandate originating in the US Environmental Protection Agency. In

Pennsylvania MS4 is overseen by the State Department of Environmental Protection, which in turn imposes requirements on municipalities.

As a result, Easttown's stormwater system now operates subject to a "National Pollution Discharge Elimination System" (NPDES) permit that expires, subject to renewal, on June 30, 2025. Easttown's permit requires annual reporting; intended to show compliance with the permit requirements. One of those requirements is a demonstrated ten percent sediment load reduction for stormwater collected in the system. Other requirements involve mapping, documenting, and reporting upon existing conditions as well as achieving public participation in the process. In effect, for Easttown and its residents, MS4 converts our ethical responsibility, as upstream watershed occupants, to downstream locales into a legal requirement.

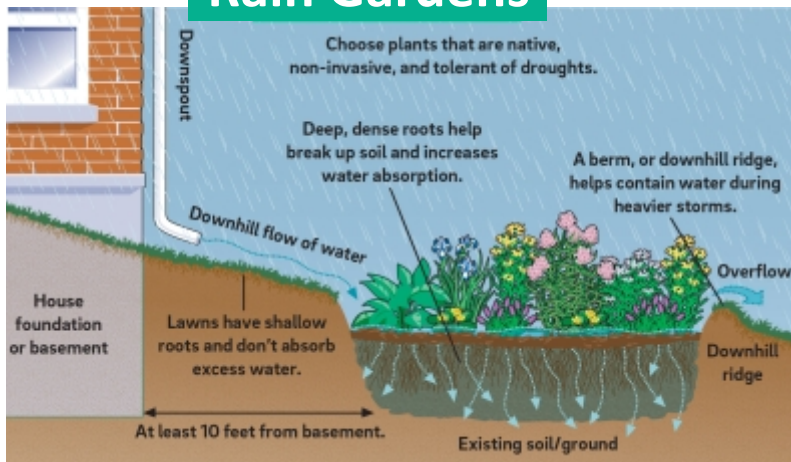
Easttown Township now has a Stormwater Management Advisory Committee with specific advisory responsibility for the Township's stormwater management concerns.

Easttown's Environmental Advisory Council, formed in 2021, has undertaken

several initiatives that, although not specifically intended to fulfill the Township's MS4 obligations, have compatible and overlapping goals. These include recent as well as planned seminars on rain gardens, waste plastic, and local watersheds, as well as successfully having proposed an updating to our open space, recreational, and environmental plan. This project is now underway, via a planning consultant, Thomas Comitta Associates, with guidance from a Board of Supervisors appointed task force.

In order to assist with MS4 compliance, volunteers willing to assist the Township may be asked to observe and document existing conditions with our Township's many outfalls (a.k.a. locations at which the Township's storm system connects to the stream network). Residents also can take steps on their own properties that will help accomplish the MS4 goal. Installing a rain garden is one example. Another is allowing excess lawn area to revert to meadowland. The Darby Creek Valley Association can be a resource for residents by conducting individual property stormwater audits via its Stream Smart program. Similarly, the Township is in the process of working with property owners to voluntarily install sediment control projects on their properties.

Rain Gardens



Rain gardens are shallow, planted depressions that are designed to absorb water from your roof, allowing it to drain directly into the soil. Typically, a downspout from your home is diverted toward the rain garden. This can prevent hundreds of gallons per year from entering the stormwater system. Rain gardens are one of the most cost effective ways to manage stormwater runoff and can be a beautiful addition to your existing landscape design.

Rain Gardens Tips

- Check your soil first! Rain gardens require well-draining soil.
- Rain gardens must be planted at least 10 feet from any below-ground basement.
- Rain gardens can be designed to suit your landscaping preferences by using a variety of native, perennial plant species.
- This is not a vegetable or herb garden. Rain gardens are designed to absorb stormwater and filter out pollutants—not for growing food.

Philadelphia Water HSH v 1.0

UPDATING THE RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES PLAN

As part of implementing its 2018 Comprehensive Plan, Easttown has taken the initial steps in an ambitious effort to update its 1993 dated Recreation, Open Space, and Environmental Resources Plan. The Board of Supervisors has retained Thomas Comitta Associates, Inc. to undertake the draft plan development and has appointed a Task Force to oversee and guide the process. Task Force members are: Emily Spring and Kevin Marks, representing the Township's citizenry overall, Michael Wacey, (Board of Supervisors), Lisa Schwarcz (Parks and Recreation Board), Ann Rothmann, (Planning Commission), and Gary Ellis (Environmental Advisory Council). Colleen Gray, Easttown's Director of Planning and Zoning, is providing staff support. The group held its first meeting on August 17th and selected Gary Ellis and Emily Spring as Chairperson and Vice-chair, respectively. Please check the website calendar for upcoming meetings. This is an important Township initiative, intended to foster significant, positive long term consequences. As with all Easttown boards, commissions, and councils, these meetings are open to the public and Township residents are urged to participate.

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HISTORICAL NEWS



PhilaLandmarks Wins \$200,525 Save America's Treasures Grant for Historic Waynesborough

For American history buffs visiting Valley Forge, no trip is complete without a stop by Historic Waynesborough, just off Darby-Paoli Road in Paoli, Easttown Township. To others, the circa-1745 National Historic Landmark, with its Chester County Georgian stone architecture, is the idyllic place of their wedding. To Waynesborough Country Club golfers, it's a most extraordinary landscape folly! And for generations of people who grew up on the western Main Line, Waynesborough is, indelibly, a sign of home.

For generations, indeed. Waynesborough has stood for more than 275 years, and needs ongoing maintenance. The Historic Waynesborough Restoration Project, with plans from architect Daniel T. Campbell, AIA, includes replacing and restoring Waynesborough's main block and addition roofs, porch roof, and bakehouse roof. The project also includes structural stabilization on the main block and porch roof and repointing of the chimney stonework at the roof line. Adding modern structural support will ensure that the building is stabilized for many years to come and can continue to serve as a cultural and educational site. The goal of the project is to replace the roof in a way that retains architectural integrity of the old yet introduces modern technologies,

ultimately to protect the birthplace and home of General Anthony Wayne.

Architectural preservation presents a daunting task at any time but especially now, when history nonprofits are focused on rebounding from the pandemic and looking ahead to Semiquincentennial discourse and memorials in 2026. In other words, not an ideal time for a capital campaign.

Thus, the extraordinary value of this federal grant: In September, the National Park Service in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Institute for Museum and Library Services announced 80 projects in 32 states and the District of Columbia, selected to receive a Save America's Treasures grant. Included among them was the Historic Waynesborough Restoration Project. This project is being supported through the Save America's Treasures Grant Program funded by the Historic Preservation Fund as administered by the National Park Service (NPS), Department of Interior.

This is national recognition that Waynesborough is one of America's "most important collections, artifacts, structures, and sites for the benefit of future generations," said NPS Director Chuck Sams. The \$200,525 in federal funds must be matched dollar-for-dollar by PhilaLandmarks leaders, Waynesborough supporters, and the greater community within a set period of time.

If you have interest in supporting this project, or in volunteering at Waynesborough, please contact PhilaLandmarks Executive Director Kayla Anthony, who remarked, "Receiving this prestigious grant is an absolute honor for PhilaLandmarks. The fundraising and preservation work needed at Waynesborough is critical to its remaining a public resource and place of education about American history for generations to come. This really is a one-in-a-lifetime moment for the place and its supporters."

About PhilaLandmarks and Historic Waynesborough

The Philadelphia Society for the Preservation of Landmarks (PhilaLandmarks) inspires people to engage with history by preserving our unique historic sites and by providing related educational, historical, and cultural programming. We were founded in 1931 to save the Powel House (1765) from imminent demolition. As short-term advocacy evolved into long-term stewardship, PhilaLandmarks acquired two more sites in Philadelphia. In 1940, Grumblethorpe House & Garden (1744) joined the PhilaLandmarks family and in 1966, the Hill-Physick House (1786) was acquired. In 1980 PhilaLandmarks entered into a management agreement with Easttown Township to preserve Historic Waynesborough in Paoli, PA. Today, Historic Waynesborough is furnished with a historic collection interpreting 275 years of the Wayne family and the ten-acre site also features a carriage house used as a meeting and event space, a library, a semi-permanent tent structure, and a caretaker's building. Open to the public since 1980 for research, events, programs, and touring, Historic Waynesborough's buildings, landscape, and collections present facets of every period of American history since colonial times.

www.PhilaLandmarks.org

A Brief History of "The Pike" Through Berwyn

The original Lancaster Road was constructed as the Lancaster Turnpike in 1794 and became the main thoroughfare between Philadelphia and Lancaster. Previously, Conestoga Road, which was designated by the provincial government in 1733 as the official King's Highway, or Great Road, held that position. Conestoga was, in fact, the first road through what became Berwyn that connected Lancaster and Philadelphia.

The Turnpike through Berwyn (then called Reeseville) had to be moved in 1877 to accommodate the straightening of the Pennsylvania Railroad (PRR), and that's when it came to occupy approximately the path now followed by Route 30, aka Lancaster Avenue, aka "The Pike." Many

changes to the road east and west of town occurred over the years, leaving sections of the old route, now called Old Lancaster. In 1880 the section of Turnpike connecting Philadelphia's City Line and Paoli was sold to the Lancaster Avenue Improvement Association, led by Alexander Cassatt, better known as president of the PRR, owner of Chesterbrook Farm and brother of the artist Mary Cassatt. The Association proceeded to rebuild the entire 17 miles, and it was reputed to be the best maintained macadam road in the United States. This section operated as a toll road until June, 1917.

The accompanying photograph from 1887 shows the bearded toll collector standing outside his rather primitive toll booth in very rural surroundings. The view is toward the east or northeast from a spot approximately 100 yards west of today's intersection of Old Lancaster Road and

Conestoga Road, roughly 1064 Old Lancaster Road.

To explore more about the history of Easttown and the surrounding area, visit the Tredyffrin Easttown Historical Society website, www.tehistory.org



Berwyn toll booth on the Lancaster Turnpike in 1887. Photo courtesy of the TEHS Archive.

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Dear Neighbor,

For more than 38 years, Easttown Township Neighborhood Watch (ETNW), with the guidance and support of the Easttown Township Police Department, has provided quality crime prevention programming to the citizens of Easttown Township. Sergeant Frank Keenan is currently the Police Liaison to ETNW's Advisory Board. ETNW has placed the familiar and durable Neighborhood Watch signs on organized blocks throughout our Township to let those intent on committing crime know that Easttown is organized and on alert against them. ETNW recognizes a block's ten-year anniversary in our program by placing a "10-Year Member" decal on the block's sign. Among the many programs that have been, or are currently being, funded in full or in part by ETNW are Operation-Identification, Project D.A.R.E., and Officer Friendly in our local schools. When requested, Sergeant Keenan attends block meetings to keep members informed on crime in our neighborhood and to learn how we can keep the criminals out.

ETNW has also helped defray the cost for crime prevention training for our Police Department as well as for needed equipment in the fight against crime in our community. We have purchased specialized hi-tech items to assist the Police in viewing surveillance footage and providing documentation at crime scenes. Our most important contribution to crime prevention activities is our network of concerned citizens who recognize the importance of reporting suspicious persons and/or actions to the Police. Crime is on the rise in our country and Neighborhood Watch programs, such as ours, are needed as the extra "eyes and ears" of their local police departments.

All these programs, training sessions, and equipment purchases have been made possible by the generous contributions from the concerned citizens of Easttown Township; ETNW receives no federal, state, or local funding. All funds received are allocated to crime prevention activities within Easttown Township. Over the years, the generosity of our citizens has allowed us to solicit funds on an average of every five to eight years.

What does ETNW now need to continue its work? What can YOU do to contribute to the continued safety of Easttown Township? **Support ETNW.** Please consider making a financial contribution so we can continue to provide quality crime prevention programs in our community. Checks should be payable to ETNW and sent to PO Box 620, Devon, PA 19333. If you prefer, you can make a donation directly to us through PayPal @ETNW.

HOLIDAY TIPS

Use common sense this holiday season and avoid becoming a crime victim.



Spam Scans: During the holidays, fake deals "appear" on the internet. Beware of emails promising unbeatable deals on all types of items. If it seems too good to be true, it probably is! Delete unsolicited emails and don't fall prey to scammers and the "deals" they offer.

Name a Star or Planet: Only the International Astronomical Union (IAU) names stars, and the stars are not for sale. Any organization that claims they can name a star for your "hard to buy for" person is not legitimate. Try a gift card to a local merchant, restaurant or mall instead.

Phony Charities: All types of charities pop up during the holiday season. In the US, most charities must file a Form 990, which indicates how much the group spent on programs, administration and fundraising activities. When in doubt, ask for a copy of Form 990. Do not settle for a tax ID number either, this can be issued to any business and doesn't necessarily indicate a legitimate charity.

Online Auctions: Thousands of people list items for sale online. You take a leap of faith when you purchase from online auctions. Selecting sellers with high rates of positive feedback is one way to avoid being ripped off and paying with a form of payment that can be cancelled should the item not be shipped out is another. Use common sense during the holidays when purchasing from an unknown person over the web.

Destructive Emails: Avoid getting a computer virus during the holidays (or year round) by resisting the urge to download those cute ring tones and e-greetings. While most are probably harmless, some could contain potentially damaging computer viruses.

Pickpockets: The least "high tech" scam is picking your pocket or stealing a wallet/purse. Be aware of your

surroundings; keep your wallet in a front pocket and keep your purse zipped up (with the zipper pull in front!)



Shopping Safety: Keep your purchases in the trunk, not on the back seat, so thieves don't target your car. Do not leave your purse, wallet, or any valuable item in the car in plain view. Lock items in your trunk. Do not walk away from your shopping cart in a store and leave your purse in the child seat—easy mark for a thief! Keep track of your credit cards and check your account for activity during the holidays—thieves can get your credit card number with scanners and make a duplicate to use for fraudulent purchases. Do not advertise when you're going on a vacation during the holidays—and let a neighbor and the local police know you'll be away.

Happy Holidays!

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**By Patti Lynn
Recycling Resources Manager**

Quick — what time of year generates the most trash for landfills? That's right, it's the holiday season. Online shopping and shipping, wrapping paper, more uneaten food, toys, and electronics being replaced. You get the idea. Household waste increases about 25% this time of year!

Can you be more TrashSmart? Try these ideas (or even just one!):

- ❖ Downsize — Smaller gathering, less decorations, careful gifting* so you create less waste
- ❖ Reusable, durable plates and silverware, cups, napkins, tablecloths (ask about renting)
- ❖ Shop (and wrap!) with reusable bags!
- ❖ Plan for guests to bring a dish in their own containers they can take back home, OR
- ❖ Have guests bring reusable containers for leftovers they may take home
- ❖ Cleaning the house — old socks for dusting rags; microfiber fleece cloths are washable
- ❖ Vinegar for glass surfaces
- ❖ Electronic invitations — Evite®, Greenvelope, Punchbowl®, Zazzle, Inc.
- ❖ Online resources can help you plan how much food you need
- ❖ Gifts for experiences — tickets to an event, museum or zoo membership, cooking class or trip
- ❖ Gifts of your time — Babysitting, pet sitting, gardening help, lessons for a new hobby, teach someone a new skill
- ❖ Gift cards for services, not goods — gas stations, car washes, hair/nail salon, massage, lawn service, audio books, pet services
- ❖ Homemade food and gifts show your creativity, time, and effort
- ❖ Reusable, useful containers such as cookies in a flowerpot, or jewelry in a new pair of gloves

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YARD WASTE COLLECTION CALENDAR



Sustainability in Action

■ Yard Waste Zones 1 & 3

■ Yard Waste Zones 2 & 4

■ Holiday - No Collection

■ Alternate recycling/trash collection due to a holiday

Preparation of Yard Waste Materials for Collection:

- Yard waste must be placed into manageable bundles and tied with string, or may be put in an open-end trash can, as long as limbs are not protruding above the can. Limbs that are loose on the ground will not be picked up.
- Limbs and branches must not exceed 6 feet in length and 4 inches in diameter.
- Grass clippings are considered trash, not yard waste.
- There is no limit to the number of bagged leaves/yard waste collected, except that no more than 300 lbs. of brush and/or bagged leaves/yard waste will be removed from any residence.
- Leaves/yard waste must be in biodegradable paper bags or open-end trash cans. Leaves/yard waste in plastic bags will not be collected.
- Collection occurs once a month January - September and twice a month October - December.
- Christmas trees will be collected during January collection. Zones 1 and 3 have collection on Wednesday, January 11, and Zones 2 and 4 have collection on Wednesday, January 18.
- Rear-yard customers must place their yard waste curbside for collection and should check the Easttown Township solid waste collection schedule to determine the service zone in which their residence lies.

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JUNE 2023

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JULY 2023

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EASTTOWN SERVICE ZONES & DAYS*

*New construction homes on Branch Ave and Hamlet Cir will be included in Zone 1. New construction homes on the extension of Prescott Rd will be included in Zone 4.

ABBEY RD.....2	CONTINENTAL LN.....2	FARRAGUT RD.....4	LADDERBACK LN.....3	PEBBLE SPRINGS DR.....4	TENBY RD.....4
AIKEN AVE.....1	COUNTRY RD.....2	FIRST AVE.....1	LAKESIDE AVE.....3	PENNSYLVANIA AVE.....2	THE CARTWAY.....2
ANNADALE DR.....2	CRUM CREEK RD.....4	FORREST HILLS CR.....1	LAKESIDE CT.....3	PHEASANT RUN RD.....2	TWINBROOK RD.....2
ARGYLE RD.....2	CYMRU DR.....4	FOX CREEK RD.....4	LANDSENDE RD.....1	PILGRIM LA.....2	
ARLINGTON RD.....3		FOXALL LN.....2	LANTERN LN.....4	PINECROFT RD.....4	VALLEY FORGE RD (NORTH).....1
ASHBY RD.....2	DARBY PAOLI RD (200-600 BLOCKS).....2	FRANCIS AVE.....1	LENAPE DR.....2	PONDVIEW DR.....3	VALLEY FORGE RD (SOUTH).....3
AUGUSTA CT.....2	DARBY PAOLI RD (700-1000 BLOCKS).....4	GAIL RD.....1	LEOPARD RD (100-300 BLOCKS).....1	POTTER AVE.....1	WARREN AVE.....1
	DARBY RD.....2	GRAHAM WAY.....1	LEOPARD RD (400-600 BLOCKS).....2	PRESCOTT RD.....4	WALNUT AVE.....1
BARTHOLOMEW RD.....1	DEVENRY RD.....3	GRANTHAM RD.....4	LEOPARD WAY.....2	QUAIL RIDGE RD.....2	WALTHAM RD.....4
BEAUMONT RD (100, 300, 400 BLOCKS).....3	DERWYDD LN.....4	GREENHILL CR.....2	LINDSEY DR.....3	ROCK CREEK CR.....2	WATERLOO AVE (1-199 BLOCKS).....1
BEAUMONT RD (1000 BLOCKS).....4	DEVON BLVD (NORTH).....1	GREENLAWN RD.....2	LITTLEBROOK RD.....1	RUE DORSAY DR.....3	WATERLOO AVE (200-400 BLOCKS).....3
BELLA VISTA RD.....3	DEVON BLVD (SOUTH).....3	GRUBBS MILL RD.....2	LLANELLY LN.....4	SARATOGA RD.....4	WATERLOO CR.....3
BERKLEY RD.....3	DEVON STATE RD.....1	GWILYM CR.....4	LLEWELYN LN.....4	SHEFFIELD DR.....1	WATERLOO RD (1000-2000 BLOCKS).....4
BERWYN AVE.....1	DEVONWOOD LN.....1	HARROW LN.....4	LONGCHAMPS RD.....3	SIGNAL HILL LN.....4	WATERLOO RD (NORTH).....1
BERWYN BAPTIST RD.....1	DOGWOOD LN.....3	HASTINGS PL.....3	MAIN AVE.....1	SOUTH DEVON AVE.....3	WATERLOO RD (SOUTH).....3
BERWYN PAOLI RD.....2	DORAL CR.....2	HAWTHORNE PL.....2	MAPLE AVE.....1	SOUTH LEOPARD RD.....4	WATFORD LN.....3
BLACK SWAN RD.....2	DORSET RD (NORTH OF BERKLEY RD).....1	HEARN AV.....1	MEADOW LN.....2	SOUTH VALLEY RD.....2	WAYLAND RD.....4
BLACKBURN DR.....4	DORSET RD (SOUTH OF BERKLEY RD).....3	HEATHERWOOD LN.....3	MIDLAND AVE.....1	SPENCER RD.....1	WAYNESBOROUGH RD.....2
BOULDER LA.....4	DUNDEE PL.....1	HEDGEEMERE DR.....3	MIDLAND CR.....1	SPRING LN.....3	WETHERBY LN.....3
BRIDGE AVE.....1	EASTWOOD RD.....1	HEDGEROW LN.....3	MILLBROOK RD (500 BLOCK).....3	ST ANDREWS DR.....2	WHITE HORSE RD.....4
BUTTONWOOD RD.....4	EDGEWOOD AVE.....1	HEREFORD DR.....4	MILLBROOK RD (1000 BLOCK).....4	STANWICH DR.....2	WINFIELD RD.....3
BYRD DR.....2	ETHAN ALLEN RD.....4	HIGHLAND AVE.....1	MORRIS LN.....2	STATION RD.....1	WINTHROP RD.....2
	EVERGREEN LN.....2	HILLSIDE AVE.....3	MUIRFIELD CT.....2	STONEGATE DR.....3	WOODBINE AV.....1
CANTERBURY CR.....2	EXETER RD.....3	HOLLISTER LN.....3	NATHAN HALE RD.....4	SUGARTOWN RD (100-500 BLOCKS).....3	WOODSIDE AVE.....1
CANTERBURY LN.....2	FAIRFIELD RD (NORTH).....1	JAMES LN.....1	NEWTOWN RD.....4	SUGARTOWN RD (600-1100 BLOCKS).....1	
CASCADES CT.....2	FAIRFIELD RD (SOUTH).....3	KENT PL.....3	NOB HILL RD.....3	SUGARTOWN RD (1200-1500 BLOCKS).....2	
CASCADES CT.....2	FAIRWAY RD.....2	KNOX AVE.....1	NORTHFIELD LN.....3	SUSSEX PL.....3	
CASTLEHILL LN.....3	FARM LN.....2	KROMER AVE.....1	OAKWOOD LN.....3	SYLVAN LN.....3	
CENTRAL AVE.....1	FARM RD.....2		OLD LANCASTER RD.....1		
CHEERY LN.....2			OLYMPIA HILLS CR.....2		
CHESTER RD.....3					
CHURCH RD.....3					
CLOVELLY LN.....3					
CONESTOGA RD.....1					



Sustainability in Action

1 - Recycling & Trash - Monday
2 - Recycling & Trash - Tuesday

3 - Recycling & Trash - Thursday
4 - Recycling & Trash - Friday

Rear Yard Trash - Monday
Rear Yard Recycling - Tuesday

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