

# UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP NEWS



Fall/Winter 2017

For the Citizens and Friends of Upper Macungie Township

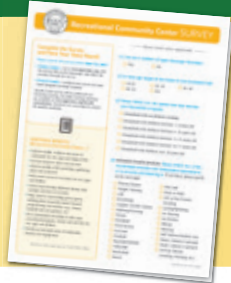
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## 2017-2018 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

— UMT OFFICE CLOSINGS —

- **NOV. 10** (Fri.) – Veterans' Day (observed)
- **NOV. 23 & 24** (Thurs. & Fri.) – Thanksgiving Holidays (observed)
- **DEC. 25 & 26** (Mon. & Tues.) – Christmas Holidays (observed)
- **JAN. 1, 2018** (Mon.) – New Year's Day
- **FEB. 19, 2018** (Mon.) – Presidents' Day
- **MAR. 30, 2018** (Fri.) – Good Friday



## CITIZEN SURVEY RESULTS:

### Majority of Respondents Want New UMT Recreational Community Center

Top Choices for Amenities, Programs Revealed.  
More Specifics on Funding Among Next Steps.

Last Spring a research survey was conducted to explore whether Upper Macungie Township residents were interested in adding a new Recreational Community Center to our roster of quality-of-life amenities. 8,800 resident households were mailed surveys along with their regular Spring 2017 edition of this community newsletter.

Although the demand for such a facility was anticipated and recommended by the Comprehensive Plan adopted in 2011, the level of resident interest needed to be measured. The Township leaders value all input from Upper Macungie's citizens, especially when it comes to major decisions about investing in capital improvements to serve our community's families through future decades. We thank the 1,502 households that responded to this survey with their individual opinions, preferences and concerns. "In-depth surveys like this generally have low response rates averaging around 4.4% when mailed. You need a response rate that will give you at least 90% Confidence Level (considered good) in your data. So we are very pleased with our response rate of 17%, which gave us a 95% confidence level in our data," said Lynn Pigliacampi, UMT Recreation and Events Coordinator. "It yielded lots of valuable information. We now have a statistically valid sampling of opinions to help shape our next-stage discussions on overall project viability, community usage expectations and potential funding strategies." Comprehensive results of the survey are available at [www.uppermac.org](http://www.uppermac.org).

**RESULTS** >> Continued on next page

Although still in its very early stages, here's a brief **overview and timeline** of the Recreational Community Center project to date:

**2011:** To address future needs of our rapidly growing population, the UMT Board of Supervisors adopted a forward-looking Township Park and Recreation Plan (Resolution #2011-1) to sustain quality recreational facilities and conserve green spaces. The Plan included the need for an indoor recreational community center by 2017.

**2016:** A feasibility study was conducted by Keystone Consulting Engineers (KCE) to identify community needs and wants for such a facility. Preliminary designs for cost estimation purposes and baseline cost estimates were generated by a team of KCE, Architect Howard Kulp, and UMT staff and officials. Construction costs for a small-scale building with basic amenities was estimated at between \$6.5 to \$7 million, with annual operating costs estimated at \$446,473.

**2016-Present:** Project funding sources were explored and identified. Primary funding sources included developers' recreation fees, Township reserve funds, grants, and donations/sponsorships by community and corporate. Secondary funding sources included additional real estate taxes and/or a municipal bond or loan.

**2016-2017:** A community-wide survey was formulated to get UMT citizens' input on the project. The survey was dispatched and results were tabulated and issued in July 2017.

## SENIOR CITIZEN DISCOUNT

The Township is offering a \$30 senior citizen discount for trash and recycling pick up for anyone over 65 with proof of age (e.g. driver's license). You must own and live at your residence. If you are 65 or turn 65 by December 31, 2017, please come to the Township municipal building to **apply and register by Friday, December 29, 2017 for senior citizen discount for 2018.**



Friday, Oct. 27  
6 - 8 p.m.

## Highlights of the Survey Results

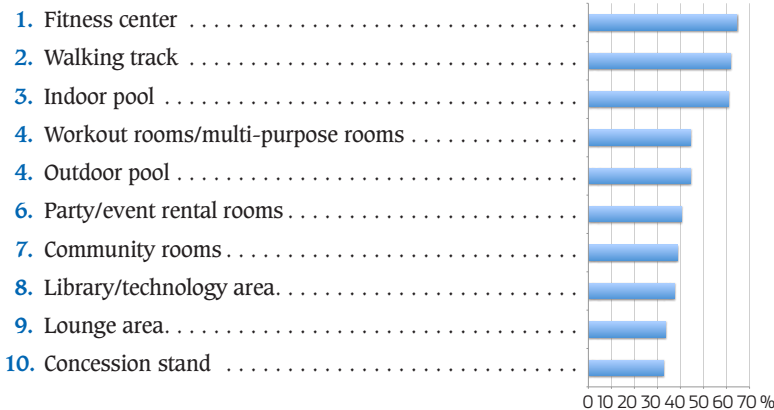
**MAJORITY OF RESPONDENTS IN FAVOR,**  
but vary on funding methods.

49.86% want an indoor recreational center but without borrowing or a tax increase. 28% were willing to allow borrowing or a tax increase if it were required to build the center. In total 78.25% of UMT resident responses were in favor of a new community center with varying opinions on how it should be funded.

**MAJORITY WOULD PAY TO USE**  
a new indoor recreational center.

81.35% would pay to use the facilities and programs at the center. In regards to level of usage of the facility if built, 49.94% were in the “Maybe, sometimes” category. This means they know they will use it, but will not commit to using it all of the time. 35.33% were in the “Yes, often” category, saying they know they will use the facility often. In other words, the “Yes, often” category will be the financial foundation of the facility and they will be the “members,” and the “Maybe, sometimes” category will be the additional financial influx from “pay as you go” usage.

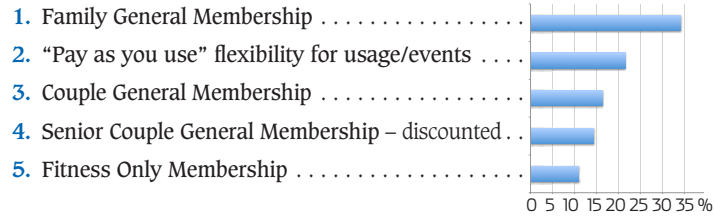
**Top 10 AMENITY CHOICES**  
respondents would like in a new community center.  
(#1 being top choice)



**Top 10 PROGRAM CHOICES**  
respondents would like in a new community center.



**Top 5 FEE MEMBERSHIP/USAGE PLANS**  
respondents would be willing to pay for.



*NOTE: With a Family General Membership average of \$362/year, based on projected annual membership revenue requirement of \$250,000, there are enough households willing to purchase annual memberships to meet/exceed this goal.*

See complete ranking results of the survey at [www.uppermac.org/umt-recenter](http://www.uppermac.org/umt-recenter)



## What are the NEXT STEPS?

- UMT leadership will determine** if the Recreational Community Center project should move forward with a special focus on self-sustainability and further exploration of funding options.
- If the project moves forward**, UMT staff and Keystone Consulting Engineers will continue to use the data from the survey and update previous research they have done to determine building design options, construction and finishing costs, and operating expenses and revenues.
- Upper Macungie Township citizens will be kept informed** of all major decisions and progress through monthly public meetings, online at [www.uppermac.org](http://www.uppermac.org) and via this community newsletter. Thanks to all UMT citizens, volunteers, staffers, elected officials and consultants for your insights and interest in this community effort.

**FOR MORE FACTS**  
on the prospective UMT Recreational Community Center Project, please contact:

Lynn Pigliacampi  
UMT Recreation & Events Coordinator  
610-395-4892, ext. 130  
[recreation@uppermac.org](mailto:recreation@uppermac.org)

# Upper Macungie Township's 5th Annual Barktoberfest

**Saturday**  
**OCTOBER 7**  
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Rain date:  
**Sunday**  
**OCTOBER 8**  
2017

**Upper Macungie Park**  
(Rt. 100 Park)  
**1625 North, Rt. 100, Fogelsville**  
**FREE Admission**



## UMT's Annual Furry Festival **BARKTOBERFEST!**

Upper Macungie Township's Barktoberfest entertains more than 1,500 dogs and dog lovers with pet vendors, dog treats, music, food and more! Come see Pet Olympics by Passion for Paws and a K-9 Demonstration by our very own UMT Police.

### This year's festivities include:

- 🐾 **PET PARADE with DOG COSTUME CONTEST** – Must register at event: registration opens at 11 a.m. Parade line-up is at 12:20 p.m. Cash Prizes for best costume. *(See right.)*
- 🐾 Pet Training Demonstrations.
- 🐾 K-9 Police Dog Demonstrations by UMT Police Department.
- 🐾 Lots of Vendors with Delectable Doggie Delights.
- 🐾 Fun Activities for Children.
- 🐾 Free Demos by Sponsors and Vendors with Services, Educational Info, Money-Saving Specials & More.

**All dogs must be on a leash and kept under control by owners at all times.**

For complete facts, visit [www.uppermac.org/barktoberfest](http://www.uppermac.org/barktoberfest)

**The Best Costumes**  
**Win CASH PRIZES!**  
(Register at event)

### PET COSTUME CONTEST/PARADE

**\$100 First Prize**  
**\$50 Second Prize**  
**\$25 Third Prize**

— plus —  
**\$50 for Best Pet & Owner Costume**

### Special Thanks to:

#### Platinum Sponsor:



#### Silver Sponsors:



**EMBASSY BANK\***  
For the Lehigh Valley



#### Donation of Goods



## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES — Want to be a vendor or sponsor?



See page 4 about this well attended family-friendly event and promote your business or organization as a sponsor.

Our community has an active roster of FREE wholesome activities and events that attract thousands of families. But most of these events would not happen without the support of local business or organization sponsorships. Want to support UMT Recreation by sponsoring the events shown here? **Take this opportunity to promote your business and support our Township.**

**All sponsorships are tax deductible.** They provide strategic marketing and business development opportunities for your business at a very affordable cost. 100% of the proceeds benefit park and recreation efforts in Upper Macungie Township, and enhance the quality of life for families here in our community.

For more facts, please contact Lynn Pigliacampi at **610-395-4892, ext. 130** or [recreation@uppermac.org](mailto:recreation@uppermac.org). For the sponsorship form, visit [www.uppermac.org/community-opportunities](http://www.uppermac.org/community-opportunities). Thank you.

More UMT Event Sponsorship Opportunities:



# RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS 2017-2018



**FALL IS HERE!** It's a delightful season to experience our beautiful parks with great recreational programs and exciting events. New programs have been added, so keep checking our website and Facebook page to stay up to date.

For details, registration forms or questions:

[www.uppermac.org/eventsprograms](http://www.uppermac.org/eventsprograms) | 610-395-4892, ext. 130 | [recreation@uppermac.org](mailto:recreation@uppermac.org)

## PICKLEBALL FLEX LEAGUE



WHEN: **Wednesdays, 4 p.m. & Sundays, 9 a.m.**

WHERE: **Blue Barn Park**

**NO commitment.** This group plays all year, and includes all ages and abilities! See why everyone is picking up Pickleball! To join the email list, email [recreation@uppermac.org](mailto:recreation@uppermac.org).

## DISC GOLF

WHERE: **Upper Macungie Park** (Rt.100 Park)

**Always FREE!** If you haven't tried our full disc golf course, come check it out! Fun for the whole family. Simply follow the signs through the course.



## PICK-UP VOLLEYBALL

WHEN: **Tuesdays, 8-10 p.m.**  
**September 12 - March 27, 2018**

WHERE: **Fogelsville Elementary School**  
312 S. Rt.100, Breinigsville

**FREE.** Just show up! Age 14 and over. All levels are welcome. For details, visit [www.uppermac.org/volleyball](http://www.uppermac.org/volleyball).



## INDOOR BASKETBALL

WHEN: **Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m.**  
**September 21 - November 16**

WHERE: **Jaindl Elementary School**  
1051 Weilers Road, Breinigsville

**FREE.** Age 21 and over. Equipment is provided. Email [UMTbasketball@gmail.com](mailto:UMTbasketball@gmail.com) to be placed on the email list. For details, visit [www.uppermac.org/basketball](http://www.uppermac.org/basketball).



## 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL BARKTOBERFEST

WHEN: **Saturday, October 7, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.**  
(Rain date: Sunday, October 8)

WHERE: **Upper Macungie Park** (Rt. 100 Park)

For details, visit [www.uppermac.org/barktoberfest](http://www.uppermac.org/barktoberfest) or see page 3 of this newsletter.

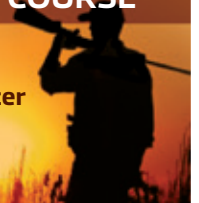


## HUNTER / TRAPPER EDUCATION COURSE

WHEN: **Sunday, October 8, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

WHERE: **Independent Park Community Center**

**FREE** - Registration required. For details, visit [www.uppermac.org/huntertrapper](http://www.uppermac.org/huntertrapper).



**Friday, October 27**  
**6 - 8 p.m.**



**Rain date: October 28.** Check out the UMT Trick or Treat Safety Tips at [www.uppermac.org/trick-or-treat](http://www.uppermac.org/trick-or-treat)

## A NIGHT with Psychic LAURI MOORE

WHEN: **Thursday, November 9, 7-8:30 p.m.**

WHERE: **Independent Park Community Center**

Join us with psychic medium Lauri Moore, an Investigator / Spiritual Consultant, who has worked with Lights Out Paranormal, NEPA Paranormal and The Pennsylvania Paranormal Association. \$15 per person. Register at [www.uppermac.org/lauri-moore](http://www.uppermac.org/lauri-moore)

## HOLIDAY SHOW with JUDY TUDY

WHEN: **Friday, December 8, 6 p.m.**

WHERE: **Independent Park Community Center**



See Judy Tudy the clown/Mrs. Claus for some magical fun, and inflate smiles with balloon sculpting! Then get your picture taken with Santa! \$5 per person - Limited registration. To get a form, go to [www.uppermac.org/holiday-show](http://www.uppermac.org/holiday-show).

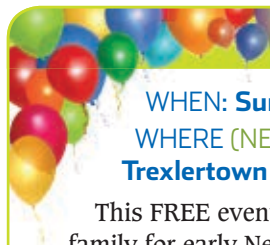


## KID'S NOON YEAR'S EVE

WHEN: **Sunday, December 31, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.**

WHERE (NEW): **Good Will Volunteer Fire Co. #1 of Trexlertown STATION 25, 7723 Hamilton Blvd.**

This FREE event is something fun to do with the whole family for early New Year's Eve! Balloon Drop at noon, Dazzling Doodles Face Painting, DJ JJ Sands, games and giveaways. Light refreshments available for purchase.





# 2017 LEAF COLLECTION

**Monday  
OCT. 9**

THROUGH

**Friday  
NOV. 24**

The Upper Macungie Township Department of Public Works will begin its annual **Leaf Collection Program on Monday, October 9**. The crews will cover the entire Township three times. Due to the rate of maturity of trees within the Township, and also the fact that more trees are planted every year, it is impossible to guarantee a set pick up day for a specific street in any area.

All residents in the Township should place their leaves along the **edge** of the road, **not on** the road, **prior to the start of pick up at 7 a.m. on Monday of each week**. Leaves will normally be picked up between the hours of 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. Leaves will not be collected on private property. If leaves are not in place when the crews go by, they will be picked up on the following round through the Township. No "return trips" will be made to pick them up.

- **Do not place pieces of wood, steel, rocks or concrete on the leaves to hold them down.** These objects will cause extensive damage to the leaf pick up units and put them out of service at a great expense of time and money to the Township and its citizens.
- To pick up leaves by mechanical means, it is necessary to **dump the contents of plastic bags or other containers into the gutter area.** Crews will not empty bags or other containers; this is the responsibility of the resident. Branches, shrubbery, garbage, and building materials will not be picked up. These items will be left behind and it will be the responsibility of the resident for removal and disposal.
- To facilitate the picking up of the leaves, **please keep all vehicles away from the area where the leaves are piled.** The crews will not rake piles of leaves out from between parked cars or from under them.

**For questions regarding leaf collection, please contact the Public Works Department at 610-395-4892.**

## Environmentally-Conscious Volunteers Needed for Lehigh County Hazardous Waste Collection Event

Here's a unique way to make a real difference in the health of our regional environment. Volunteer to assist in a one-day household hazardous waste collection event conducted by Lehigh County on **Saturday, October 28 at Coca-Cola Park** in Allentown from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Pre-registration is mandatory for all attendees and a crew of community volunteers will be needed to help check-in Lehigh County residents as they enter the collection event. All handling of the actual materials will be done by the professionals of MXI Environmental Services, the authorized contractor. Assistance from volunteers is also needed to promote the event during the weeks prior to October 28. This is a meaningful opportunity for Ecology Action Committee (EAC) activists and other eco-minded volunteers to "get their green on" by helping to mobilize residents in the proper disposal of harmful waste products and other environmental concerns.

For **QUESTIONS** or **DETAILS REGARDING VOLUNTEERING** for this event, contact **Tim Bollinger, Lehigh County General Services Manager** at [timbollinger@lehighcounty.org](mailto:timbollinger@lehighcounty.org) or **610-782-3073**.

**MANDATORY PRE-REGISTRATION** can be done by filling the online form for this event at [www.lehighcounty.org](http://www.lehighcounty.org).



Thomas Darlington earned his Eagle Scout award and was recognized at a Court of Honor on August 27, 2017. He is a member of Boy Scout Troop 29, the Order of the Arrow, and Scouting's National Honor Society. For his Eagle Scout project, Thomas chose to make enhancements to the entrance of Lone Lane Park in Upper Macungie Township. After much planning, he led a team of 25 scouts and leaders, and constructed four raised mulch beds, a new rules sign and a birdhouse, planted the surrounding garden, and installed solar lights at the park entrance signs. Thomas would like to thank Scott Faust and Jim Soltis of UMT Public Works department who worked closely with him during the design phase of his project.



*Thomas Darlington at Lone Lane Park showing his Eagle Scout project.*

## Fresh Police Alerts Flashed Fast (and Free) to Your Digital Devices? Yes, But ONLY If You Sign Up Now for NIXLE!

It's free, it's fast and it's the smart source for Upper Macungie Township alerts affecting the safety of your family, your neighborhood, your community.

**It's NIXLE**—the public safety information system carrying UMT Police Department safety alerts direct to your mobile phone or any digital device. Neighborhood crimes...suspicious activities...lost and found pets...ANY important facts that our Township police want to share rapidly via text or email with as many citizens as possible WILL get to you via NIXLE.

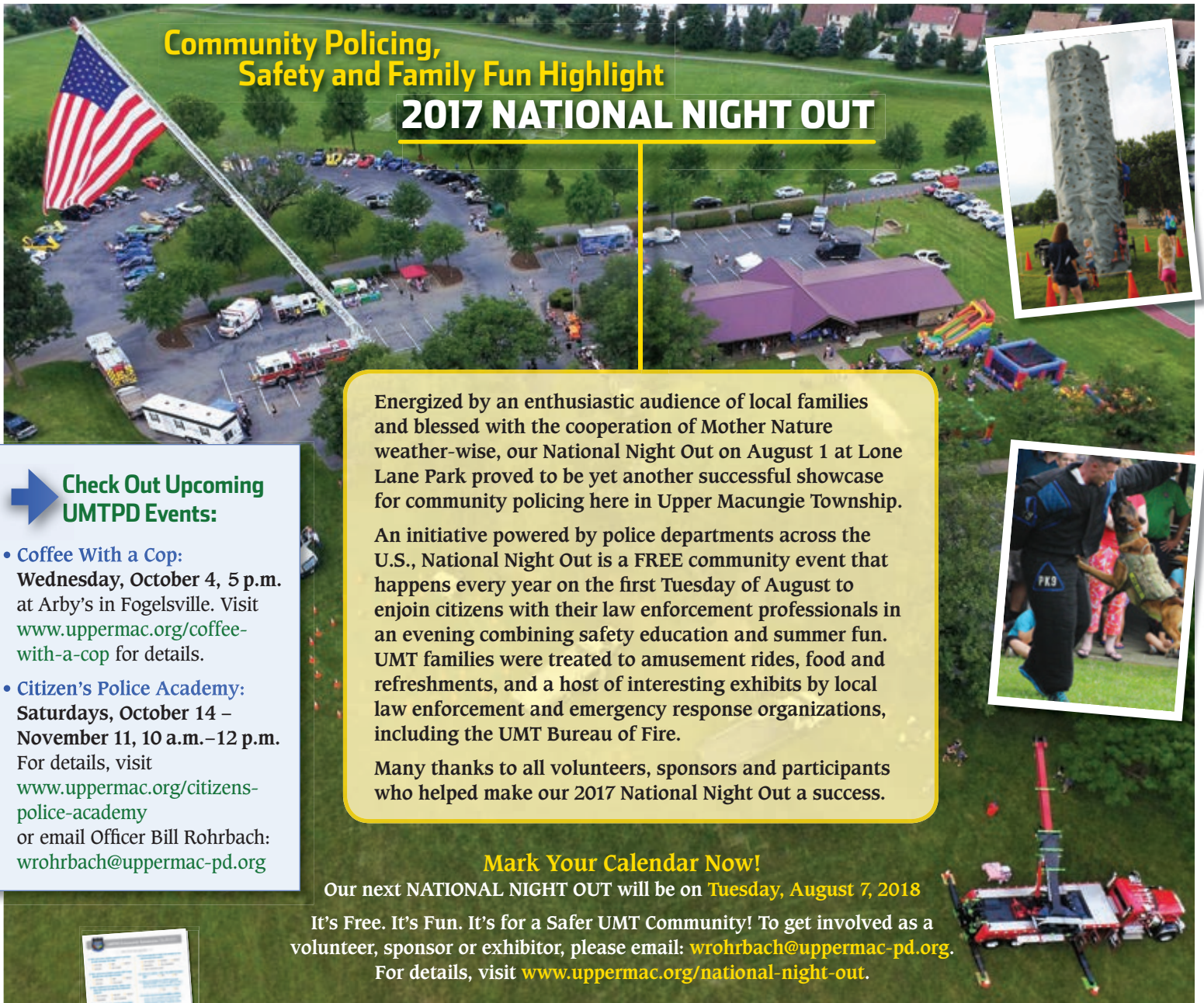
There are now over 4,500 UMT subscribers connected to NIXLE. Are YOU among the well-informed? If not, maybe it's time you got connected to this cost-free crime-fighting tool. It's easy. Just visit [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com) and enter your ZIP code. At the top of the page, click "sign up" and fill in the required fields. It takes just a few minutes to sign-up and it could make a world of difference in the future safety of you and your loved ones. Get connected to NIXLE now!



### UMTPD Performance Earns Elite Law Enforcement Accreditation

In August 2017, the Upper Macungie Township Police Department earned accreditation status by the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association (PCPA). Accreditation is a progressive and time-honored way of helping institutions evaluate and improve their overall performance.

It requires meeting the highest standards of law enforcement on a consistent basis. Of the 1,117 law enforcement agencies serving in Pennsylvania, only 115 have achieved PCPA accreditation.



## Community Policing, Safety and Family Fun Highlight

### 2017 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Energized by an enthusiastic audience of local families and blessed with the cooperation of Mother Nature weather-wise, our National Night Out on August 1 at Lone Lane Park proved to be yet another successful showcase for community policing here in Upper Macungie Township.

An initiative powered by police departments across the U.S., National Night Out is a FREE community event that happens every year on the first Tuesday of August to enjoin citizens with their law enforcement professionals in an evening combining safety education and summer fun. UMT families were treated to amusement rides, food and refreshments, and a host of interesting exhibits by local law enforcement and emergency response organizations, including the UMT Bureau of Fire.

Many thanks to all volunteers, sponsors and participants who helped make our 2017 National Night Out a success.

### Mark Your Calendar Now!

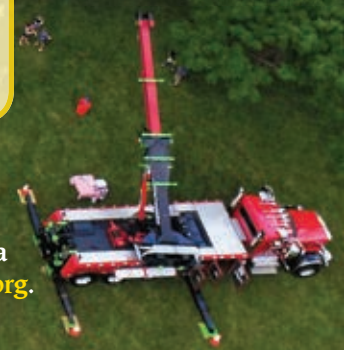
Our next NATIONAL NIGHT OUT will be on **Tuesday, August 7, 2018**

It's Free. It's Fun. It's for a Safer UMT Community! To get involved as a volunteer, sponsor or exhibitor, please email: [wrohrbach@uppermac-pd.org](mailto:wrohrbach@uppermac-pd.org).

For details, visit [www.uppermac.org/national-night-out](http://www.uppermac.org/national-night-out).

### Check Out Upcoming UMTPD Events:

- **Coffee With a Cop:** Wednesday, October 4, 5 p.m. at Arby's in Fogelsville. Visit [www.uppermac.org/coffee-with-a-cop](http://www.uppermac.org/coffee-with-a-cop) for details.
- **Citizen's Police Academy:** Saturdays, October 14 – November 11, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. For details, visit [www.uppermac.org/citizens-police-academy](http://www.uppermac.org/citizens-police-academy) or email Officer Bill Rohrbach: [wrohrbach@uppermac-pd.org](mailto:wrohrbach@uppermac-pd.org)



Thank you for participating in the 2017 UMTPD Community Survey. The results can be viewed at [www.uppermac.org](http://www.uppermac.org). Click on the POLICE section, then UMTPD Community Satisfaction Survey Results.

# INDEPENDENT PARK EVENT RENTAL FACILITY



*Now Available to Non-Residents!*

**Book your event today!**

- Holiday & Theme Parties
- Birthdays, Anniversaries, Baby Showers, Post Funeral Gatherings
- Beautiful Weddings, Bridal Showers, & Rehearsal Dinners
- Business Meetings & Corporate Functions
- Fund-Raising Events
- Class Reunion Parties

and so much more!  
See below for details or call **610-395-4892.**

# EVENTS

Upper Macungie Township's Dramatic Venue for Private and Corporate Events

Located on 25 rolling acres just off Schantz Road and Route 222, this newly refurbished center ensures a beautiful location for your next private or corporate event.

### MAIN ROOM

- ▶ Impressively accessed through Grand Foyer
- ▶ Accommodates events up to 100 people
- ▶ 1,700 sq. ft. open concept with wide wraparound deck & expansive countryside views
- ▶ Two-story stone fireplace
- ▶ 60-inch video, Wi-Fi & audio speaker system

### RENTAL FEES

#### Resident

	UMT	Non-UMT
• 4-hour minimum	\$300	\$350
• Each additional hour	\$50	\$50
• Security deposit	\$200	\$200
• Wedding package	\$700	\$750

*(Split 8 hours over 2 days, with no minimum time requirement on either day, plus no extra cost for use of our outdoor space!)*

#### Corporate

UMT resident sponsor:	With	Without
• 6-hour minimum	\$450	\$500
• Each additional hour	\$75	\$75
• Security deposit	\$250	\$250

### MEETING ROOM

- ▶ Just off Grand Foyer
- ▶ Ideal for smaller meetings and events up to 40 people
- ▶ 690 sq. ft.
- ▶ 60-inch video, Wi-Fi & audio speaker system

### RENTAL FEES

#### Resident

	UMT	Non-UMT
• 2-hour minimum	\$80	\$100
• Each additional hour	\$40	\$40
• Security deposit	\$100	\$100

#### Corporate

UMT resident sponsor:	With	Without
• 2-hour minimum	\$100	\$120
• Each additional hour	\$50	\$50
• Security deposit	\$100	\$100

### CATERING KITCHEN

- ▶ Centrally located for service to both Main Room and Meeting Room
- ▶ Equipped with full-size refrigerator, 2 sinks, microwave
- ▶ Perfect for catering or bringing your own food. Permitted for UL-approved electric warming plates & chafing dishes heated with either UL-approved electric coils or approved heating devices such as Sterno fuels. Propane heating devices are prohibited. There is no stove in the facility.

### HOURS

The facility is available for rental events from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.



## INDEPENDENT PARK EVENT RENTAL FACILITY

For more information or to make a reservation for your next event:

Call: **610.395.4892** | Fax: **610.395.9355**  
Email: **recreation@uppermac.org**

150 Independent Road | Breinigsville, PA 18031

## Class of 2017 Ranks Among Largest Ever for Junior Emergency Services Academy



One of the largest classes in the proud history of the Junior Emergency Services Academy recently completed their intense week of training in emergency response skills. Conducted annually, the summer program for local youngsters ages 12 to 16 provides hands-on experience in first response disciplines; for many it provides an early opening to careers in EMS, law enforcement or fire protection professions.

Members of the UMT Bureau of Fire and our community's three volunteer fire companies team up with our UMT Police Department and Cetronia Ambulance Corps to provide instruction on the

operation and application of emergency services. Classes are provided free of charge and include lunch. All students earn certification in Heartsaver CPR/AED and first aid, as well as proper use of fire extinguishers, firefighting search and rescue techniques, fire hose handling and more. The 2017 graduates showcased their new knowledge for family members at a wrap-up picnic and skills challenge hosted by the instructor organizations. Enrollment for the next Junior Emergency Services Academy will start in May of 2018. For more facts, visit [www.uppermac.org/emergency-services-academy](http://www.uppermac.org/emergency-services-academy).

## Becoming Your Own First Responder

More than 2 million families experience some sort of disaster or major emergency every year. Here in the Lehigh Valley we are fortunate to have avoided natural disasters on the scale of California's wildfires, Louisiana's flooding or the tragedies of "Tornado Alley" in the Midwestern U.S., but to believe we will never experience a major weather-related or manmade disaster is not only delusional...it is also downright dangerous.

The fact is, disasters do happen. In the event of a community-wide incident, EMS, fire and rescue teams will be stretched to their limits. There is no assurance that your family will have the water, food or other resources needed to sustain health and life through days or even weeks.

The simple fact is, it is first and foremost YOUR responsibility to be prepared to protect your family. And to do so, most of us need some fundamental training to become our own first responders if a disaster strikes.

Here in Upper Macungie Township, we are fortunate to have a volunteer organization called CERT (Community Emergency

Response Team). Affiliated with the Lehigh County Emergency Management Agency, CERT provides training that prepares community members to help themselves, their families and neighbors if a disaster strikes. This includes disaster preparedness and fundamental emergency response skills like fire safety and basic medical care. CERT's motto: "Neighbors helping Neighbors within their own Neighborhood."

Several dozen UMT residents have taken the responsibility to become their own first responders through CERT's educational programs. **You can, too!** There is no cost, and the rewards of knowing that you are prepared to help your family and neighbors in an emergency are priceless.

For more information about Upper Macungie CERT, contact UMT resident Mel Shiels at **610-391-8044** or [mel18051@gmail.com](mailto:mel18051@gmail.com).

Additional facts on CERT are available at [www.lehighcounty.org](http://www.lehighcounty.org).





## Upper Macungie Fire Protection Ranked Among Best in U.S.

Upper Macungie Township's fire protection ranks among the best in the nation according to the latest analysis by the leading national evaluator of community fire response organizations.

**ISO (Insurance Services Office)** collects and evaluates information from communities in the United States on their fire suppression capabilities. ISO's data-driven findings are the standard for insurance companies, insurance regulators, fire departments, municipalities and property/casualty risk organizations.

In its most recent report issued in August 2017, ISO ranked Upper Macungie Township's services in the top 4% of the 44,672 firefighting organizations throughout the U.S. Among Pennsylvania's 2,466 fire organizations, Upper Macungie's ranks in the top 13.

ISO's Public Protection Classification (PPC) evaluates communities according to a uniform set of criteria incorporating standards developed by the National Fire Protection and the American Water Works Association. PPC grades range from 1 to 10 with Class 1 representing ultra-elite exemplary fire suppression programs and Class 10 falling below ISO's

minimum criteria. Upper Macungie's performance earned a Class 2 grade, putting it among the top 1,663 programs in the nation. This will be effective December 1, 2017.

"We are very proud of our ISO performance ranking and it is a tribute to the dedication of our local volunteer fire companies and the high priority our community supporters place on protecting the lives and property of our citizens," said Grant Grim, Director of Upper Macungie Township's Bureau of Fire.

The Township is served by three fire departments:

- Good Will Fire Company #1 of Trexlertown Station #25;
- Fogelsville Fire Company Station #8;
- Upper Macungie Township Station #56.

Along with their firefighting responsibilities, each company also performs vehicle rescues, environmental hazard protection and community education.

For more facts on the ISO community fire service performance rankings, visit [www.isomitigation.com](http://www.isomitigation.com), or contact:

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### Excellence is Standard for All UMT Protective Services

Few municipalities can claim Upper Macungie Township's standards of excellence in all three of its emergency service sectors. Consider the following:



**LAW ENFORCEMENT** - UMT's Police Department has always performed at a high level. This was recently acknowledged when it was recognized as one of the Commonwealth's top law enforcement agencies to earn accreditation by the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association. *(See more facts on Page 6.)*



**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)** - Health wise, our families and community business employees are protected by one of the finest EMS services in the nation: Cetronia Ambulance Corps. Serving our region since 1955, Cetronia is among very few EMS organizations in Pennsylvania accredited by the national Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services, recognized as the gold standard of excellence in the EMS profession.



**FIRE** - Upper Macungie's community fire protection network recently earned one of the highest rankings in the nation from the U.S. authority on fire protection proficiency—the ISO (Insurance Services Organization). *(See the whole story at the top of this page.)*

While it is also the responsibility of every citizen and business to remain vigilant against crime and catastrophes of health and happenstance, it is heartening to know that our Township is served by some of the best organizations in the emergency services professions, all working together to protect our community's families, businesses, roadways and properties.

### Fire Prevention & Family Fun All in One! (Don't miss it.)

## Fire Prevention Open House

**Saturday, October 21, 2017  
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

**Good Will Fire Co. No. 1 of Trexlertown  
7723 Hamilton Blvd., Trexlertown**

Upper Macungie's THREE volunteer fire departments are teaming up to celebrate our 2017 Fire Prevention Open House...and everyone is invited!

Join the firefighters of **Fogelsville Station #8, Trexlertown Station #25 and Upper Macungie Township Station #56** for a fire safety experience that will prove both educational AND entertaining for the whole family. Tour the fire safety trailer for prevention tips, bring your home safety questions for our experts, see the latest in fire-fighting equipment and don't miss the chance for your family's future firefighters to get a photo with "Sparky" the fire dog *(shown here)*.



# RECYCLING & TRASH PICK UP GUIDELINES

## YARD WASTE COLLECTION

For your convenience, Upper Macungie Township provides property owners with the means to properly dispose of their leaves and yard wastes. There will be a one-time only, curbside pick up of YARD WASTE. After that, yard wastes may be deposited at the UMT Yard Waste Drop-off Site.

### YARD WASTE CURBSIDE PICK UP

**Wednesday, October 4, 2017**

**WHAT:** Leaves from trees, bushes and other plants, shrubbery clippings and tree trimmings. (For maximum size, see "HOW TO PREPARE" below.)

**WHAT NOT:** No grass clippings, roots from trees or shrubs, or lumber. Improper bags, bundles or materials will go uncollected and tagged to notify residents of reasons why materials were not accepted.

**HOW TO PREPARE:** Yard wastes must be placed in commercially-designed **open trash containers** (with sloped sides) no larger than 32-gallon capacity with a loaded weight of less than 60 lbs. each. Smaller limbs and branches must be **tied and properly bundled** to a maximum size of **48" x 18" x 18"** with a maximum weight of **60 lbs.** If branches and limbs are not tied and bundled, they will not be picked up. Ties for bundles must be made of biodegradable materials.

All containers must be out the night before after 6 p.m.

**HOW MUCH:** Combined maximum of 6 containers will be collected.

(Next pick up: Spring 2018)

### YARD WASTE DROP-OFF SITE

Corner of Schantz & Grim Roads, Breinigsville

	SPRING, SUMMER & FALL HOURS: Apr. 1 – Nov. 7	WINTER HOURS: Nov. 8 – Apr. 2, 2018
<b>Mondays</b>	7 am - 7 pm	7 am - 5 pm
<b>Tuesdays</b>	3 pm - 7 pm	Closed
<b>Wednesdays</b>	3 pm - 7 pm	7 am - 5 pm
<b>Thursdays</b>	3 pm - 7 pm	Closed
<b>Fridays</b>	7 am - 7 pm	7 am - 5 pm
<b>Saturdays</b>	9 am - 5 pm	9 am - 5 pm
<b>Sundays</b>	9 am - 5 pm	9 am - 5 pm

Closed Holidays (See page 1 for UMT Holidays)

## TRASH PICK UP



### HOLIDAY TRASH PICK UP

**PLEASE NOTE** – Monday–Friday service is 1 day delayed throughout the week for each holiday.

Thanksgiving – **Thursday, Nov. 23, 2017**  
 Christmas Day – **Monday, Dec. 25, 2017**  
 New Year's Day – **Monday, Jan. 1, 2018**

Please place your trash cart out for collection the night before your pick up day at curb or grass area several feet away from the mailbox, landscaping, or telephone poles. It should **NOT BE PLACED ON THE STREET**. Your recycle bin can be placed several feet from the cart. As a reminder, any trash placed outside your cart, or not in a UMT trash cart, will **not** be collected. You can purchase another cart for \$55. There is no extra trash fee. Residents are allowed to have a maximum of two 95 gallon carts.

**WASTE MANAGEMENT** is the service provider to handle refuse and recycling collection in Upper Macungie Township. **Refuse and recycling pick up is on a weekly basis.** New residents: you must come into the Township building to fill out a moving permit. You will then be informed when your trash cart will be delivered (for new construction only), which zone you are in for trash pick up, and what day your pick up will be.

All complaints or missed pick ups should be directed to **WASTE MANAGEMENT** at **1-800-869-5566**.

## SHREDDING EVENT

**Saturday, October 28**

**9 a.m. – 12 p.m. sharp** (rain or shine)  
**Grange Road Park, 360 Grange Road**

- Only paper documents (NO photo negatives, x-rays or heavy plastics).
- No need to remove staples.
- Limit: 5 bags/boxes per person.

A container for the recycling of cardboard will be provided. **Please note there is only one event on this day.**

This event is **for UMT Residents Only** — Proof of residency (e.g. driver's license) will be checked. **Yard Waste Cards are NOT accepted.**

**PROTECT YOUR I.D.**

## RECYCLING

Due to the requests UMT has received, we are looking into upgrading our current bins to larger, more manageable carts. Details will be available in the future.

### MATERIALS TO BE RECYCLED

- Newspaper
- Residential mixed paper
- Glass (clear, green & brown)
- Aluminum, tin and steel/bi-metallic cans
- Corrugated cardboard
- Plastics (with a recyclable symbol, no caps, rinsed and cleaned out.) – soda bottles, laundry detergent containers, milk and water jugs, ketchup and mustard bottles, etc. will be accepted. *No plastic bags.*



UMT offers single-stream recycling. All the above items can be placed in one container, NOT separated, tied or bagged. Check out [recycleoftenrecycleright.com](http://recycleoftenrecycleright.com)



### CARDBOARD RECYCLING CONTAINERS



Upper Macungie Township has 2 containers for recycling **CARDBOARD** which are **for UMT Residents Only**.

- **UMT municipal building parking lot drop-off site:**  
Monday – Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- **UMT yard waste site on Grim Road:**  
Monday – Friday, 3-7 p.m.  
Saturday/Sunday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Both sites are closed on holidays. This does not eliminate cardboard recycling at the curbside. It is for the times when it rains or you have a lot of cardboard. You can bring the flattened cardboard to UMT and put it into the recycling containers.

## ELECTRONIC RECYCLING EVENT

**Saturday, October 14**

**9 a.m. – 12 p.m. sharp** (rain or shine)  
**Grange Road Park, 360 Grange Road**

Computers, monitors, printers, fax/copy machines, DVD/VCR players, TVs, radios, CD players, stereo equipment, microwaves, household batteries, fluorescent light bulbs (**NO APPLIANCES**).

**For UMT Residents Only** — Proof of residency (e.g. driver's license) will be checked. **Yard Waste Cards are NOT accepted.**



## PAVILION RENTALS



Have your party at one of our beautiful parks!  
Reservations for 2018 begin January 1, 2018 and dates book up fast. For date availability, rental rates and more, contact **610-395-4892 ext. 130** or [recreation@uppermac.org](mailto:recreation@uppermac.org).

## What Does NPDES, MS4, and MCM's Have to Do with Stormwater and What Does It All Mean?

**NPDES** is the abbreviation for **National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System**. Mandated by Congress under the Clean Water Act, the NPDES Stormwater Program is a national program for addressing the non-agricultural sources of stormwater discharges that adversely affect the quality of our nation's waters. The program uses NPDES permitting mechanism to require the implementation of controls designed to prevent harmful pollutants from being washed by stormwater runoff into local water bodies. Over land or via storm sewer systems, polluted runoff is discharged often untreated, directly into local water bodies. When left uncontrolled, this water pollution can result in the destruction of fish, wildlife, and aquatic life habitats; a loss in aesthetic value; and threats to public health due to contaminated food, drinking water supplies, and recreational waterways.



to file annual progress reports to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. These reports are used to measure our progress on pollution reduction based on six **Minimum Control Measures** or **MCM's**. Most of these MCM's are completed routinely as part of the Department of Public Works and Community Development normal work. The six MCM's are as follows:

- MCM#1: Public Education and Outreach on Stormwater Impacts
- MCM#2: Public Involvement and Participation
- MCM#3: Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
- MCM#4: Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control
- MCM#5: Post-Construction Stormwater Management in New Development and Redevelopment
- MCM#6: Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping

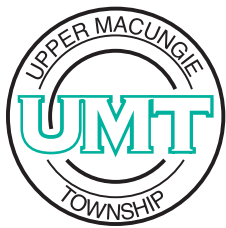
Upper Macungie Township operates our storm sewer system under a NPDES permit, issued by the State of Pennsylvania, as a **Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System** or commonly known as **MS4**. This basically means that the stormwater collected in our system is not part of our sanitary sewer system; therefore, surface water (and the pollution it carries) flows into our waterways untreated. The goal of the MS4 operators is to eliminate this pollution from entering into our waterways. To measure our progress in this, all MS4 operators are required

So what does this all mean to the residents of our Township? What you can expect is more information on our goals and information on how you may help us achieve these goals. Over time we will be supplying information through mailings, bill stuffers, website updates, and public meetings explaining the details of this program. For more information on the NPDES program, visit the US Environmental Protection Agency website at [www.epa.gov/npdes](http://www.epa.gov/npdes).

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

<b>Upper Macungie Township</b> .....	610-395-4892
UMT Office (7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.) .....	Fax 610-395-9355
<b>UMT Sewer Office</b> (7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.) .....	610-398-9171
<b>Upper Macungie Township Police Department</b>	
Emergency .....	<b>911</b>
Non-Emergency: Lehigh County .....	610-437-5252
Administration .....	484-661-5911
UMTPD Tip/Text Line .....	484-273-0336
<b>Magisterial District Judge for Lehigh County</b> Michael Faulkner ...	610-398-1167
<b>Senator Pat Browne's Office</b> (at UMT Bldg.) .....	610-366-2327
<b>State Dog Enforcement</b> – Orlando Aguirre .....	484-223-9107
<b>Lost &amp; Found</b> (for UMT Parks Only) .....	610-395-4892
<b>Hazardous Waste</b> – Lehigh County Hazardous Waste & Recycling ...	610-782-3073

<b>Trash or Recycling</b> – Waste Management .....	800-869-5566
<b>Water Questions</b> – Lehigh County Authority .....	610-398-2503
<b>Call Before You Dig!</b> – PA One Call System .....	800-242-1776 or 811
<b>Street Lights Repair &amp; Maintenance</b> – PPL Utilities .....	800-342-5775
<b>Traffic Lights Repair &amp; Maintenance</b> – UMT Public Works ...	610-395-4892
<b>State Roads</b> – PennDOT .....	610-798-4282
<b>Railroad Signals</b> – Norfolk Southern R.R. ....	877-201-4265
<b>Youth Organizations</b>	
South Parkland Youth Association ( <a href="http://www.spya.org">www.spya.org</a> )	
Warehouse (Tues. 6-8 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.-12 p.m.) .....	610-395-9878
Breinigsville VFW Youth Activities .....	610-391-0658
<b>The Sanctuary at Haafsville</b> (for animals) .....	484-788-8062
<b>Voter Registration</b> .....	610-782-3194



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