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Fall/Winter 2018

For the Citizens and Friends of Upper Macungie Township

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HOLIDAY SCHEDULE — UMT OFFICE CLOSINGS —

- NOV. 12 (Mon.)
 Veterans' Day (observed)
- NOV. 22 & 23 (Thurs. & Fri.) Thanksgiving Holidays (observed)
- **DEC. 24 & 25** (Mon. & Tues.) Christmas Holidays (observed)
- **JAN. 1, 2019** (Tue.)
 New Year's Day
- FEB. 18, 2019 (Mon.) Presidents' Day
- **APR. 19, 2019** (Fri.) Good Friday

Air Products Chooses to Locate New World Headquarters in Upper Macungie

After an extensive review of potential sites for its new headquarters complex, Air Products has determined to stay here in Upper Macungie Township. In July, the Fortune 500 leader in industrial gases announced that it will locate its new global headquarters on 53 acres along Mill Creek Rd. and Rt. 222 — approximately one mile from its current Trexlertown site where the company has flourished for 70 years.

"We're obviously elated," said James Brunell, Chairman of the Upper Macungie Township Board of Supervisors. "Air Products has always been an excellent corporate citizen and neighbor. We are ecstatic that they have decided to stay centered here in our community."

Groundbreaking is slated for March 2019 with occupancy starting that summer. An estimated 2,000 Air Products employees will be based at the new campus and the design will include provisions to scale-up for future growth. According to county records, the company pays an estimated \$1.5 million in property taxes to Upper Macungie Township, Parkland School District and Lehigh County.

"The decision to leave our current headquarters location, with its rich history, was not one we made lightly," Air Products President and CEO Seifi Ghasemi said in a news release. "But we believe our new location will afford us a special opportunity to modernize and optimize our office space

and R & D facilities, and invest in a work environment that motivates and energizes our employees.

"As a global company operating in more than 50 countries, this new headquarters will reflect the safety, speed, simplicity and self-confidence that move us forward as a world-leading industrial gas company," he said.

According to reports, the headquarters would feature a taller office building design to evoke Air Products' global status as a leading-edge provider of gases, industrial applications and technology. An early rendering *(shown)* features a track and solar farm on top of the parking garage, and covered walkways between the office building and R & D facility.

Congratulations to all at Air Products on this newest chapter in your proud history of performance...and thank you for agreeing with all of us here in Upper Macungie Township that there is indeed "no place like home."





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, 2018, please apply at the Township municipal building and register by December 31, 2018 for senior citizen discount for 2019.

2018 LEAF COLLECTION

with an Extended Collection Period

Monday OCT. 8

THROUGH

Monday DEC. 3

The Upper Macungie Township Department of Public Works will begin its annual **Leaf Collection Program on Monday, October 8.** 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.





On-Lot Sewage Management Update

Sewage System Inspections Mandatory in 2019 for District 1 Properties

This is a program to monitor the proper function of UMT owners' on-lot sewage systems to protect our water table and overall environment. It is a staged program which is mandated by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and implemented by municipalities.

This ordinance provides a staged program by dividing the Township into three districts.

- The residents in District 3 last pumped their septic systems in 2015. Those who have not pumped their system since 2015 by a UMT registered Pumper/ Hauler are required to do so prior to December 31 of this year!
- In early February 2019, **District 1** property owners will be mailed a letter, form, and District map as a reminder to have their septic systems cleaned and inspected by a *registered* Pumper/Hauler before December 31, 2019.
- In 2020, District 2 will receive the same reminder letter.

Scheduled maintenance of on-lot septic systems helps reduce high costs incurred by property owners should their septic system fail, but ultimately protects and maintains a healthy environment for future generations.

More information about the On-Lot Sewage Management Ordinance and a list of *registered* pumper/haulers can be found on our website, **www.uppermac.org**, or contact Renee Faust at 610-395-4892, ext.136 or reneef@uppermac.org.

Winter Weather Forecasts for UMT

How severe will the coming cold months be here in the Upper Macungie region? That depends on which almanac you choose to believe.

The Farmers' Almanac (founded 1818) says:
"It's going to be a 'teeth-chattering' cold one with plenty of snow."

Its more senior competitor, *The Old Farmer's Almanac* (founded 1792) calls for

"warmer than normal, with above normal
precipitation and near- to below-normal snowfall."

So, which prognosticator's predictions will prove more precise? Only time will tell. But rest assured that, whatever the winter weather holds for us, your UMT Roads Team is ready to roll!

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES — Want to be a vendor or sponsor?



See the Recreational Programs section of the newsletter 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 percent 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. For the sponsorship form, visit www.uppermac.org/community-opportunities. Thank you.

More UMT Event Sponsorship Opportunities:







Rain date:
Sunday
OCTOBER 14
2018

Barktoberfest

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

UMT's 6th 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 12:10 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



Above: 2017 Pet Costume 1st Place Winner The Best Costumes Win CASH PRIZES!

(Register at event

PET COSTUME CONTEST/PARADE

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

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\$50 for Best Pet & Owner Costume

Special Thanks to:



DONATION OF GOODS:









RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS 2018-2019



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

610-395-4892, ext. 130

recreation@uppermac.org



PHOTO SCAVENGER HUNT

CONTEST PERIOD: **Aug. 15 - Oct. 15**THEME: **UMT Parks**

There's still time to join us for this FREE fun contest to display your love of UMT parks.

Contestants with the most cumulative points will win the contest prizes! To earn points, download the Photo Challenge Prompt List and post the photos to UMT's Facebook page.

For details, visit www.uppermac.org/scavengerhunt

INDOOR BASKETBALL

WHEN: **Thursdays, Sept. 6 - Nov. 29 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

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

FREE. Age 21 and over. Equipment is provided. Email UMTbasketball@gmail.com to be placed on the email list.

For details, visit www.uppermac.org/basketball

PICK-UP VOLLEYBALL

WHEN: Tuesdays, Sept. 18 - Apr. 30, 2019

8-10 p.m.

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

6TH ANNUAL BARKTOBERFEST

WHEN: Saturday, Oct. 13, 11 a.m. -3 p.m.

(Rain date: Sunday, October 14)

WHERE: Upper Macungie Park (Rt. 100 Park)

For details, see page 3 of this newsletter, or visit www.uppermac.org/barktoberfest



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1-DAY SAFE SITTER® CLASS

WHEN: 10/13, 11/6, 12/29, 1/21, 2/18, 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

WHERE: Independent Park Event Rental Facility

See next page or visit www.uppermac.org/safesitter for details.



A NIGHT with Psychic LAURI MOORE

WHEN: Thursday, Nov. 8, 7-8:30 p.m.
WHERE: Independent Park Event Rental Facility

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. \$20 per person. Register at www.uppermac.org/lauri-moore

JINGLE BELLS HOLIDAY SHOW!

WHEN: Friday, Dec. 7, 6 p.m.
WHERE: Independent Park
Event Rental Facility



Come check out what the awesomely funny Jingle Show Giggle Magic has in store for the whole family! Then get your picture taken with Santa! \$5 per person – Limited registration. To get a form, go to www.uppermac.org/holiday-show

KIDS' NOON YEAR'S EVE

WHEN: Sunday, Dec. 30, 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
WHERE: 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 an early New Year's Eve. Balloon Drop at noon, Dazzling Doodles Face Painting, DJ JJ Sands, games and giveaways. Light refreshments available for purchase.

HUNTER/TRAPPER EDUCATION COURSE

WHEN: Sun., Feb. 17, 2019, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. WHERE: Independent Park Event Rental Facility

FREE – Registration required. For details, visit www.uppermac.org/huntertrapper

What To Do When You Find Them:

According to the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, eggs, nymphs, and adult lanternflies should be killed on site.

From late September through October female lanternflies lay eggs. Look for egg masses (see photo at right) that were laid on:

- Tree trunks, limbs, loose bark
- Stone
- Firewood
- Outdoor furniture
- Trash barrels
- Vehicles (wheel wells, underneath the car)
- Other man-made structures

The most effective way to kill the eggs is to scrape them into a bag or container filled with isopropyl alcohol or hand sanitizer. They can also be smashed or burned.

Spotted Lanternfly Hotline: 1-888-422-3359

Call Penn State Extension's hotline with questions on spotted lanternfly, or visit their website for more information:

https://extension.psu.edu/spotted-lanternfly

On this website you can also find:

- How to identify
- How to manage
- Frequently asked questions
- How to report a sighting (at the location outside the current quarantine zone)

Together, we can take action to limit the spread and damage from this pest.

Source: Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture; Penn State Extension



(Above) Adult Spotted Lanternflies on a Tree-of-heaven.

Kenter of the contract of t egg masses have a gray puttylike covering, which can become dry and cracked over time. Old egg masses appear as about 1-inch long, 4-7 columns of seed-like eggs.



Spotted Lanternfly quarantine area shown in red (as of June 2018).



Spotted Lanternfly is particularly attracted to Treeof-heaven (Ailanthus altissima), another invasive species proliferating in our region.

1-DAY SAFE SITTER® CLASS

Choose a day from: Saturday, Oct. 13 Tuesday, Nov. 6 Saturday, Dec. 29 Monday, Jan. 21 Monday, Feb. 18 Monday, Apr. 22 Monday, Jun. 17 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Location:

Independent Park

Event Rental Facility Cost: \$89 per student

New to this season, UMT presents 1-day Safe Sitter® Essential Class designed to prepare students to be safe when they're home alone, watching younger siblings, or babysitting.

This engaging class provides various skills and training to all youth, along with fun games and role-playing exercises, including:

- Safety Skills: Indoor safety, outdoor safety, online safety, and personal safety.
- Child Care Skills: Child development, child care routines (including diapering practice), and behavior management.
- First Aid & Rescue Skills: Injury prevention, injury management, and choking rescue. CPR is an optional component.
- Life & Business Skills: Screening jobs, setting fees, and greeting employers.

For more details and registration, visit www.uppermac.org/safesitter.





"Smart Speed" Signs Show Vehicle Speed, Compel Drivers to Slow Down

Speeding on UMT roads is a dangerous trend. Complaints and witness accounts of excessive vehicle speeds on residential and commercial roads are growing. Along with increasing traffic surveillance, UMTPD is using LED "smart signs" to inform drivers of their current MPH and — if common sense prevails — compel *drivers to self-control their speed*.

Four of these new solar-powered LED speed display signs are now at work in UMT with good results. Six more have been requested. These electronic watchdogs also collect traffic and speed data. Fourteen locations throughout UMT have been identified as chronic speeding sites and the new signs will be deployed on a rotational basis at all sites.

"These smart signs are effective tools to inform drivers and passengers whether or not their vehicles are within the legal speed limit," says UMTPD Police Chief Edgardo Colón. "If over the speed limit, responsible drivers generally have the common sense to slow down."

POLICE UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP Committed To Service

Q&A with Detective Adam Miller



In June, UMTPD Detective Adam Miller (*left*) received a commendation from Chief Edgardo A. Colón for his unrelenting work on the Nicole Werst death investigation case. Werst, of Upper Macungie, died of a drug overdose in February of 2016. Despite numerous obstacles, Miller worked tirelessly until an arrest was

made in the case. Recently, we sat down with Detective Miller to ask him about his police career.

Q: What is your favorite aspect of police work?

A: I enjoy the variety of the assignments and experiences involved with the position. Police work entails a great deal of problem-solving and interpersonal skills. In my experience, this profession goes way beyond the stereotypes of police work that one routinely views from the entertainment industry. Fundamentally, it is based on an in-depth commitment to the community you serve.

Q: Before coming to Upper Macungie, you worked with Lehigh University as a police sergeant. What was the transition like going from a college atmosphere to Upper Macungie?

A: Law enforcement, and police work specifically, will have many similarities from agency to agency. My position with Lehigh University included not only law enforcement, but also community services, crime prevention, supervisory duties and other responsibilities. Fortunately, with Upper Macungie, I am still employed in a law enforcement capacity with roles in community services and crime prevention. However, going from a university campus to a busy municipality involves encountering more variety with the incidents and situations encountered.

O: Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

A: I am early enough in my career that I foresee being a productive member of the UMTPD for at least ten years. My goal is to gain valuable experience, advance to a command staff position and stay directly involved with the criminal investigations unit.

Tough Training Pays Off for UMTPD's Rookie Cops and Community

Rookie UMTPD Officer Jack Sassaman's training told him something wasn't right. Well past midnight on a muggy August night he steered his squad car within an observable distance of a white Honda cruising slowly down Tilghman Street. He had just completed his field training and was out on patrol alone for the first time. Calling on skills and technology learned while riding with a veteran UMTPD officer, the rookie saw something wrong. His cop instincts were on and, seconds later, so were his flashing lights. The driver pulled over. "Not one but two wanted suspects were in that vehicle," Sassaman recalled of his solo debut. "Two more bad guys are now off our streets."

Officers Sassaman and Drew Devery are UMTPD's newest recruits. Devery was hired later and he is still working his way through the rigorous training regimen but will be field-ready by late September. UMTPD's Field Training Program is intense. Recruits undergo a battery of multiple day and night shifts all under the unforgiving eyes of a specially trained veteran officer known in cop talk as an FTO (Field Training Officer). Probationary Officers are tasked with a dizzying load of police service calls. The goal: prepare these young trainees to handle emergency calls on their own while remaining calm and professional. "I believe the training I have received thus far has allowed me to grow as a law enforcement professional and better serve my community," Devery said.

So far, our newest rookie's training is paying off in safer streets for law-abiding families throughout UMT. On one of his first shifts with an FTO, Devery successfully apprehended a DUI offender. "Officers like Sassaman and Devery are the future of the UMTPD," stated Lt. Peter Nickischer, "Our whole community should feel lucky to have them. I certainly do."

Below: Officer Jack Sassaman (left) and Officer Drew Devery





Don't Throw Away Those Old Photos of UPPER MACUNGIE'S HISTORY

Plans for UMT Historical Commission Include Archive to Preserve Old Photos from Local Families

UMT Historical Facts:

- The name "Macungie" is of Native American origin and means the "eating place of bears." When food became scarce on the nearby mountains, bears came to feed in our valleys.
- It was originally pronounced "mach-kun-schi" by the Native Americans, who for thousands of years prized the lands for rich hunting, fishing and deposits of jasper, mined for use in weapons, ornaments and tools.
- Early spellings of the name Macungie included *Machts Kunshi, Machkunschi, Maguntsche, Macongy* and *Macungy*. An antique map from 1770, now preserved in Allentown, shows yet another spelling: *Maccongy (shown below)*.
- The first settlement by residents of European heritage was in 1729 at Spring Creek near Trexlertown by Jeremiah Trexler and his family.
- The first public road through Upper Macungie Township came in 1732 and it ran from Trexlertown to Goshenhoppen.
- In the 1840s, 266 acres of land in Upper Macungie
 Township was sold by a family named Mertz for \$27,742 to
 Lehigh County which built the Lehigh County Poor House on
 the property in 1844.
- In 1900 the population of Upper Macungie Township was 2,084. Fogelsville was 638. Trexlertown was 345. Breinigsville was 213 and Chapman's was just 60. Today, Upper Macungie Township is home to more than 22,000 residents and is one of the fastest-growing townships in Pennsylvania.

Below: On a map from 1770, our community's name was spelled "Maccongy"

Namesake of Breinigsville was Early American Patriot

Breinigsville was named for George Ludwig Breinig, a German immigrant who came to America on the ship *Lydia*, which arrived at Philadelphia on October 13, 1749. He originally settled in Weisenberg Township. In 1771, he purchased 100 acres of land and a stone dwelling in what is today's Upper Macungie Township from Peter and Catherine Trexler (of Trexlertown origin) for 700 pounds, about \$128,000 in today's dollars.

During the birth of the United States of America, this Upper Macungie resident played a pivotal role in our nation's history. On July 8, 1776, when delegates to the first constitutional convention were elected from Pennsylvania, Breinig served as one of the judges of the election held at Allentown (then known as Northampton). During the Revolutionary War, he served as a colonel in the Second Battalion of Northampton militia. In 1786, Breinig was commissioned as the justice of the peace for Macungie and Weisenberg Townships. He died on May 12, 1812 and is buried at the Zion Lehigh Lutheran Church cemetery in Alburtis.

Ironically, Breinigsville itself was not founded by this patriotic forefather. It was founded by his youngest son, Peter Breinig, one of George's seven children, who named the community to honor the memory of his father.



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.

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

• 4-hour minimum	\$300	\$350
 Each additional hour 	\$50	\$50
 Security deposit 	\$200	\$200
 Wedding package 	\$700	\$750
(Split 8 hours over 2 day	vs, with n	o minimum
time requirement on eith		
cost for use of our outdo	or space!)

UMT Non-UMT

Corporate

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

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

MEETING ROOM

- Just off Grand Foyer
- Ideal for smaller meetings and events up to 40 people
- ▶ 690 sq. ft.

Resident

▶ 60-inch video, Wi-Fi & audio speaker system

RENTAL FEES

• 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

UMT Non-UMT

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.





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TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT UMT'S

BIG 3!







Fogelsville Fire Co. Station #8

7850 Lime St. Fogelsville, PA 18051



Founded: 1916

Fire Chief: Jacque Creamer

610-657-0187

Calls Responded To in 2017: **521**



Good Will Fire Co. #1 Trexlertown Station #25

7723 Hamilton Blvd. PO Box 13 Trexlertown, PA 18087

Website: TrexlertownFireCompany.com

Founded: 1916

Fire Chief: **Steve Oplinger**

610-841-8238

Calls Responded To in 2017: 504



Upper Macungie Twp. Station #56

6510 Schantz Rd. Allentown, PA 18104

Website: www.UMTfire56.org

Founded: 2008

Fire Chief: Leroy Gross

610-841-5690

Calls Responded To in 2017: 616



Join the Family!

UMT's 3 Fire Companies meet every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. (Locations shown above.) Residents of all ages are welcome to attend, experience our family atmosphere and learn more about the REWARDS of joining as a VOLUNTEER! To learn more about ANY of UMT's BIG 3, please contact:

Grant Grim (right) at 610-395-4892; ggrim@uppermac.org

or Fire Chief of any Fire Company above.



Fogelsville #8 Seeks LIVE-IN Firefighter

AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY —
Newly refurbished quarters ready
for occ. by single M or F volunteer
firefighter. Cost-free living oppty.
for dedicated indiv. willing to man
station for specified time spans.
Includes new kitch., furn., bunks
(2), showers, W/D, cable & Ig scrn.
TV, Wifi, PlayStation3, office work
station, etc. Facebook Fogelsville
Volunteer Fire Company for pics.
Let's talk schedules!
Email dgernerd@ptd.net

or call **484-221-3318**.

UMT Fire Protection Quality Earns Top Ratings In Pennsylvania and U.S.

The national authority which rates the quality of America's community fire protection services has ranked Upper Macungie Township's among the best in Pennsylvania and the U.S.

ISO (Insurance Services Office) evaluates data on fire protection capabilities from all communities throughout the nation. ISO research metrics define standards of performance and are used by insurance companies and regulators, property/casualty risk assessors, municipalities and firefighting organizations.

In ISO's most recent 2018 findings, UMT's fire protection was ranked among the **top 16** of Pennsylvania's 2,394 community fire protection services. Nationally, UMT ranked in the **top 4 percent** of the 42,083 community fire protection services throughout the U.S.

"ISO ratings are the industry standard for performance in community safety through high-quality fire protection. For our community to be ranked among the very best in Pennsylvania and throughout the nation is a significant achievement," said Grant Grim, Director of UMT's Bureau of Fire. "It's a tribute to the dedicated volunteers of our three fire companies, our Township's commitment to safety and all of our community supporters." For more facts on the ISO and its national/state performance rankings, visit www.isomitigation.com.



Junior Emergency Services Academy

Rest easy, Upper Macungie...our next generation of emergency response professionals is off to a great start. The Class of 2018 for our Junior Emergency Services Academy included 30 local youngsters ages 12 to 16 and all of them graduated from the rigorous summer program with flying colors.

Conducted annually by the UMT Bureau of Fire in concert with our three volunteer fire companies, the UMT Police Department and Cetronia Ambulance Corps, the Academy provides students with hands-on lifesaving skills in multiple first response disciplines and early experience for possible future careers in firefighting, law enforcement and EMS. All students earn certification in Heartsaver CPR/AED and first aid, proper use of fire extinguishers, firefighting search and rescue techniques and more. The free program concludes with a demonstration of their new skills at a family picnic.

Enrollment for the 2019 Junior Emergency Services Academy starts in May. For more facts, visit www.uppermac.org/emergency-services-academy.

BIG 3 Fire Prevention Open House

Sunday, October 21, 2018, Noon - 3 p.m. Upper Macungie Twp. Station #56

6510 Schantz Rd., Allentown, PA 18104

ALL THREE of UMT's fire companies are teaming up to present a very special Sunday event bursting with food, fall safety education and self-participation experiences, lifesaving demonstrations, free giveaways and loads of good, wholesome family fun.

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY to the **2018 Fire Prevention Open House** sponsored by the dedicated volunteers of the Big 3:
Fogelsville Station #8, Trexlertown Station #25 and Upper
Macungie Township Station #56.

ATTENDING *WILL* MAKE YOUR FAMILY MORE SAFETY SMART! As we head into the colder months when most home fires occur, this is an important opportunity for UMT families to get "safety smart."

The knowledge you and your kids gain could be a real lifesaver! DON'T MISS IT!

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY

RESPONSE TEAM



Above: The Minuteman statue in Lexington Battle Green, Mass. The idea of CERT is the same as the Minutemen during the Revolutionary Era.

CERT: The Minutemen (and Women) of Upper Macungie

In U.S. history, the Minutemen were civilian colonists organized and trained to respond at a minute's notice to protect their communities against military threats during the American Revolutionary War.

Upper Macungie Township's **CERT** — **Community Emergency Response Team** — is our own version of a civilian task force. Aside from the obvious differences (CERT has as many women as men among our volunteer force and we are focused on preparing for disasters rather than British invasions) the idea is the same — train everyday folks in lifesaving skills to deploy at a minute's notice to protect our community in the event of a disaster.

Affiliated with the Lehigh County Emergency Management Agency, CERT volunteers are trained in disaster preparedness and emergency response skills like fire safety and basic medical care. There is no cost and the rewards of knowing you could make the difference if a disaster strikes are priceless.

If you are interested in learning more about CERT, contact Mel Shiels at 610-391-8044 or mel18051@gmail.com. Additional facts on CERT are available online at ema.lehighcounty.org.



More home fires occur in winter than in any other season. Here in Upper Macungie Township, your firefighting professionals want every family and business to be aware of the following FACTS and PREVENTION tips to prevent winter fire tragedies here in our community:

FACTS

- Half of all home heating fires occur in the months of December, January and February.
- Heating equipment is involved in 1 of every 7 reported home fires and 1 of every 5 home fire deaths.
- More than 33 percent of home decoration fires are started by candles.
- The top 3 days for home candle fires are Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.



- Christmas tree fires are not common, but when they DO occur they can be very dangerous. 1 of every 32 reported home Christmas tree fires resulted in death.
- A heat source (fireplace, radiators, space heaters, candles, heat vents) too close to the Christmas tree causes 1 of every 4 fires.

PREVENTION

- Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet away from ANY heat source, like fireplaces, stoves, candles, electric space heaters or kerosene portable heaters.
- Plug only 1 heat producing appliance (such as a space heater) DIRECTLY into an electrical outlet at a time. Avoid using extension cords. Make sure your heater has an automatic shut-off switch that turns off if it is tipped over.



Portable generators also produce deadly carbon monoxide.
 Keep them outside, away from windows and as far away from your home as possible.



- Smoke and carbon monoxide alarms are lifesavers that EVERY HOME should not be without! Install and test these alarms at least once a month.
- Chimney fires happen with devastating effect. Have a qualified professional clean and inspect your chimney and vents EVERY YEAR.

LEARN MORE About Fire Prevention at www.usfa.fema.gov

Helping Others Is Proven Way to Achieve Personal Happiness

Today's world could use more happiness. It seems the constant stream of media is so full of negativity, it is no wonder that more and more Americans of all ages feel cynical about the world around them...and empty inside themselves. So, what is a proven way to experience the goodness of genuine happiness in this digital age driven by cycle after cycle of negative news?

The Science of Happiness:

Research Proves Helping Others Is Key to Happiness

- According to a study by the **National Institutes of Health**, when you help others you give off positive vibes, which can rub off on your peers and improve your friendships.
- A survey by **United Health Group** shows 96 percent of people who volunteered over the past 12 months said volunteering enriches their personal sense of purpose.
- **Global One Foundation** describes volunteering as a way to "promote a deeper sense of gratitude as we recognize more of what is already a blessing/gift/positive in our life."
- Research by the University of Texas concludes:
 "Volunteer work improves access to social and psychological resources, which are known to counter negative moods."
- Studies conducted by UCLA and University of Cambridge (UK) prove kindness is contagious. "When we see someone else help another person it gives us a good feeling," the study states, "Which in turn causes us to go out and do something altruistic ourselves."

Personal Happiness in UMT? Join Our Volunteers!

UMT is blessed with a wealth of organizations offering diverse opportunities for adults and teens interested in "giving back" to make our community a safer, smarter and healthier place for all the families who live here.

Our Township's three volunteer fire companies are great places to experience the rewards of volunteering. Not everyone has to possess the skills or strength to be at the forefront of firefighting either. There are always needs for folks with bookkeeping and office management experience, vehicle and facilities maintenance, cooking and kitchen skills and so much more.

"Dedicating yourself to a community cause and getting a heartfelt 'thank you' from a person or family you helped is probably the most rewarding experience of all," says Grant Grim, Upper Macungie Township Director of Bureau of Fire.

"It's very meaningful to know you made a difference in someone's life. As a volunteer, you are making your community a better place...while making yourself a better person."

Kudos to UMT Corporate Neighbors for In-Kind Gifts to Our Fire Companies

Protecting UMT families and properties from fire and other tragedies 24/7 is an expensive responsibility. "Having all-volunteer fire and rescue support is very taxpayer-friendly. Similar service levels for fire and rescue in communities our size can cost taxpayers several millions of dollars every year," according to Grant Grim, UMT's Director of Bureau of Fire. "Our corporate neighbors play a huge role in helping us manage costs every year. Their in-kind and financial donations are significant and we are very grateful for their commitments to protecting our community's safety."

A PARTIAL LISTING* of Corporate Citizens that donate regularly to UMT's fire safety companies and programs

COMPANY	CONTRIBUTIONS	
AMAZON	Gifts for "Santa's Shoppers" Program	
BIMBO BAKERIES	Fresh rolls and breads for events	
BOSTON BEER CO.	Gift donations	
BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE	Tires for fire & rescue vehicles	
EASTERN TIME	Access system & safety technology	
FITNESS PLAZA	Health memberships for volunteers	
JDL PLUMBING	Plumbing services	
K. HEEPS	Quality meat products for Jr. Academy	
LIBERTY PROPERTY TRUST	Gift donations	
NESTLÉ WATERS	Lots of pure H ₂ O for human hydration (Firefighting is hot work!)	
NIAGARA BOTTLING		
ULINE	Products for maintenance, offices, etc.	
WAKEFERN/SHOPRITE	Nutritious foods for volunteers, fundraisers,	
WEIS MARKETS	community events	

* There are more but a complete list would fill this page!







Beyond Firefighting: Community Friendship, Food & Family Fun

When it comes to protecting local lives and property, Upper Macungie Township's three volunteer fire companies are all business. But beyond the firefighting, they also offer lots of opportunities for our community to come together for friendship, food and family fun. So mark your calendars now and join us for these events below.

Upcoming Fire Company EVENTS & EDIBLES

- ► HOAGIE SALE (Trexlertown Fire Co.) Call 610-395-8678 to order by 2nd Wednesday, and pick up on 3rd Wednesday of every month
- **▶ BREAKFAST (Trexlertown Fire Co.)** 2nd Sunday, Oct. - May, 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- ► FIRE PREVENTION OPEN HOUSE (Upper Macungie Twp. Fire Co. Station #56) Sunday, Oct. 21, 12-3 p.m.
- SAUSAGE SANDWICH SALE (Trexlertown Fire Co.) Call 610-395-8678 to order by Friday, Nov. 9, and pick-up on Friday, Nov. 16
- FALL CRAFT SHOW (Trexlertown Fire Co.) Saturday, Nov. 10, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. For information call 610-395-8678
- ► HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW (Fogelsville Fire Co.) Saturday, Nov. 17, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. For information call 484-505-8417

SANTA RUN

Goodies distributed by all 3 Fire Companies

- Fogelsville #8: Dec. 15 (rain or shine)
- Trexlertown #25: Dec. 22 (rain or shine)
- Upper Macungie #56: Dec. 15 (in case of bad weather: Dec. 22)
- **▶** BINGO (Fogelsville Fire Co.) Every Wednesday! Doors open at 5 p.m. Kitchen opens at 5:30 p.m. BINGO starts at 6:30 p.m. For more information call 610-655-5497

▶ UMT FASTNACHT ALERT for 2019!! (Trexlertown Fire Co.)

- Sale dates for the world's finest

- FASTNACHTS will be March 2, 3 & 4
- Check TrexlertownFireCompany.com for the next Fastnacht Alert in early 2019.
- For facts call 610-398-3152. Nix Besser!* *Pennsylvania Dutch for "None Better!"

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 waste. There will be a one-time only, curbside pick up of YARD WASTE. After that, yard waste may be deposited at the UMT Yard Waste Drop-off Site.

YARD WASTE DROP-OFF SITE

Corner of Schantz & Grim Roads, Breinigsville

	SPRING, SUMMER & FALL HOURS: Apr. 1 – Nov. 7	WINTER HOURS: Nov. 8 – Mar. 31
Mondays	7 am - 7 pm	7 am - 5 pm
Tuesdays	3 pm - 7 pm	Closed
Wednesdays	3 pm - 7 pm	7 am - 5 pm
Thursdays	3 pm - 7 pm	Closed
Fridays	7 am - 7 pm	7 am - 5 pm
Saturdays	9 am - 5 pm	9 am - 5 pm
Sundays	9 am - 5 pm	9 am - 5 pm

Closed Holidays (See page 1 for UMT Holidays)

YARD WASTE CURBSIDE PICK UP

Wednesday, October 3, 2018

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" × 18" × 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 2019)

TRASH PICK UP



HOLIDAY TRASH PICK UP

PLEASE NOTE – The service is **one day delayed** when a holiday below falls on your pick up day:

Thurs., Nov 22, 2018 – Thanksgiving Tue., Dec. 25, 2018 – Christmas Day Tue., Jan. 1, 2019 – New Year's Day

Please place your trash and recycling carts 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. They should **not be placed on the street**. Place your carts several feet away from each other. As a reminder, any trash or recyclables placed outside your UMT carts will **NOT** be collected.

You can purchase one additional UMT cart and use a maximum of two 95-gallon trash carts. See www.uppermac.org/refuse for costs. There is no extra trash pick-up fee.

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 of the delivery date of your trash cart (for new construction only), and your zone and day for trash pick up.

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

SHREDDING EVENT

Saturday, October 27

New Hours: **9 a.m. – 2 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

If a load of recycling contains non-recyclables—even by just a fraction—that entire load risks not being recycled. That's according to new guidelines being enforced by China, a major importer of recyclable materials created in the U.S. Why does it matter? Quite simply, if you're not recycling right, you could be preventing tons and tons of materials from ever seeing a second life.

It's a global issue, and to help solve it Waste Management joined forces with industries, businesses, municipalities, and consumers like you to *Recycle Often and Recycle Right*. Join us now in the battle against contamination by learning about the challenges impacting recycling and then share it with others.

To Learn More Visit:

RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com

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, rinsed and cleaned out.) soda bottles, laundry detergent containers, milk and water jugs, ketchup and mustard bottles, etc. will be accepted. No plastic bags.

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.

PAVILION RENTALS

Have your party at one of our beautiful parks. Reservations for 2019 begin in January and dates book up fast. For date availability, rental rates and more information, go to www.uppermac.org/rentals, or contact 610-395-4892 ext. 130 or recreation@uppermac.org.



It Is A Splash Hit



After less than ideal construction weather, hard work, and much anticipation, the UMT Splash Park opened this summer to great success. The Township used swipe cards with minimal seasonal fees in an effort to maintain the proper capacity usage

and safety for residents. Over 915 swipe cards were sold this opening season so we extended the season by two more weeks!

The close date for this year was September 17th. If you purchased a Splash Park access card, we encourage you to keep it for next year. It can be re-activated once your annual access fee is paid, and you will not need to pay another \$10 card deposit.

2019 Estimated Opening Date will be on or around Memorial Day weekend weather depending. Cards can be purchased and/or re-activated beginning **March 1, 2019**. RE-ACTIVATE by simply mailing in your form and payment. PURCHASE NEW CARDS by coming into the Township building Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Thank you for enjoying this new park amenity. We hope to see you out there next summer!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Upper Macungie Township	610-395-4892
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UMT Sewer Office (7:30 a.m4 p.m.)	610-398-9171
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Non-Emergency: Lehigh County	610-437-5252
Administration	484-661-5911
UMTPD Tip/Text Line	484-273-0336
Magisterial District Judge for Lehigh County Michael Faulkner	610-398-1167
Senator Pat Browne's Office (at UMT Bldg.)	610-366-2327
State Dog Enforcement – Orlando Aguirre	484-223-9107
Lost & Found (for UMT Parks Only)	610-395-4892
Hazardous Waste – Lehigh County Hazardous Waste & Recycling	610-782-3073

Trash or Recycling – Waste Management
Water Questions – Lehigh County Authority
Call Before You Dig! – PA One Call System 800-242-1776 or 811
Street Lights Repair & Maintenance – PPL Utilities
Traffic Lights Repair & Maintenance – UMT Public Works 610-395-4892
State Roads – PennDOT
Railroad Signals – Norfolk Southern R.R
Youth Organizations
South Parkland Youth Association (www.spya.org)
Warehouse (Tues. 6-8 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m12 p.m.)610-395-9878
Breinigsville VFW Youth Activities

The Sanctuary at Haafsville (for animals)484-788-8062Voter Registration610-782-3194



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TIME-DATED TOWNSHIP NEWS: PLEASE OPEN NOW!





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