

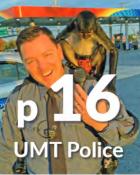
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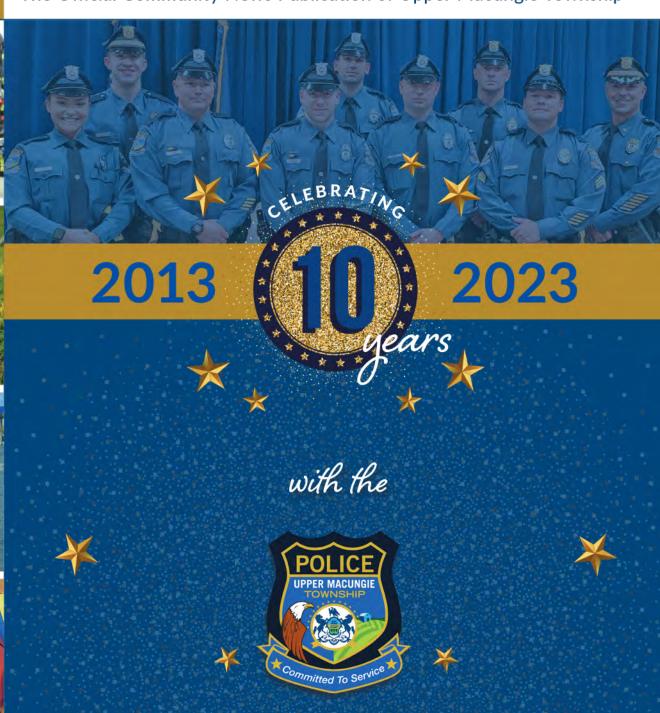
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Your Township Supervisors
(L to R): James Brunell, Kathy Rader, Sunny Ghai



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Real Estate & School Taxes

The Tax Collector, Tracy Hodrick, collects Upper Macungie Township real estate taxes and Parkland School District school taxes. The Tax Collector does not determine the amount of the tax or the assessment.

Upper Macungie Township real estate tax bills are dated April 1 and cover the calendar year (Jan. – Dec.). The Parkland School District school tax bills are dated July 1 and cover the fiscal year (July – June). Property tax bills are mailed to owners of record for the current year. **If you own property and do not receive a bill you are still obligated to pay the tax.** Inquire about your property by contacting the Tax Collector by phone or email.

The easiest method to pay is by check, money order or cashier's check via the mail or one of the drop boxes located both outside and inside the township building. Should you require a receipt, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment or come in person during the hours listed on your tax bill. Please send separate checks for school and township. If you have more than one property, please send separate checks for each property. Checks must be made payable to TRACY HODRICK, Tax Collector.

Since the tax office is separate from the other Municipal offices, no other employees of Upper Macungie Township are permitted to take tax payments or provide a paid receipt.

Online Banking: Customers who utilize online banking payments will need to create a separate "Payee" for township and school taxes. Separate payments must be sent for school and township. Customers with more than one property need to send separate payments for each property. The tax bill number or the parcel identification number (PIN) must be included to ensure proper application of payments.

taxcollector@uppermac.org | 610.481.9191
Office Hours: on tax bill or by appointment
No payments by credit card.

NOTE: Additional office hours are listed on your bill and posted on www.uppermac.org/finance-taxes/

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My office can help vou with:

Property Tax/ **Rent Rebate**

PA Tax Forms

PennDot

Services

Birth/Death Certificates

Assistance with State Agency Issues

..and much more!

As your Representative, I fight to:

- Support world-class education for ALL students
- Fix Pennsylvania's mental health care system
- Protect communities agains megadevelopment

Unclaimed Property:

1 in 10 Pennsylvanians has money being held by the PA Treasury. It could be something like an old savings account, forgotten paycheck or refund, stock dividend or an insurance claim. My office has helped resident claim more than \$2million from the PA Unclaimed Property database. You can check your name by visiting www.PATreasury.gov or by calling my office to have us check for you.

Celebrating our Community

Do you know somebody in Upper Macungie celebrating a milestone birthday or retirement? Do you know somebody achieving a scouting award or an organization celebrating an anniversay? Contact my office to see what kind of recognition we can arrange to mark the occasion.

Contact 🖄 RepSchlossbe My Office 📞 (610) 821-5577

@ @RepMikeSchlossberg

Representative Ryan Mackenzie

187th Legislative District | PA House of Representatives

We Can Help with State-Related Matters

It is an honor to have the privilege of serving residents of the 187th Legislative District, which includes Upper Macungie Township.

Township residents are encouraged to call or visit my full-time district office for assistance. Located in the Lower Macungie Township Administration Complex at 3402 Brookside Road in Macungie, the office is open Mon - Fri, 9 am to 5 pm, except holidays.

We can help with birth and death certificate applications, details about senior programs, PennDOT paperwork, Property Tax/Rent Rebate forms, information about legislation, unemployment compensation, free notary services for state documents, and other state-related matters.

I also host monthly senior assistance and veteran assistance days, please call my office to schedule an appointment.

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It has been my honor to serve the community of Upper Macungie Township as your Chief of Police over the last two years. As we just completed our 10-year anniversary, our continued focus is to improve and maintain the quality of life for our residents as well as building lifelong relationships with all those residing in or visiting our great community.

Your police department is currently comprised of 29 fulltime police officers and three civilian personnel to protect and serve this community. Our officers range in ages from 23 to 58, and their backgrounds vary as much as their ages. With the support of our Board of Supervisors and township, we will be adding new officers to our compliment to assist with the ever growing and changing community and all of our officers will continue to be "Committed to Service."

The Upper Macungie Township Police Department is dedicated to serving this community. We work with all local government departments to provide the best possible service to residents and visitors. We are in the community 24/7. You may not always see us but we are always patrolling and always available. You can contact us anytime to speak to an officer or request an officer visit you at your location.

We all share the concerns and challenges experienced by our community. Our responsibility as humans is to abolish biases and continue to break down the barriers between the public and the officials who serve.

Officers are eager to be part of resolving issues or addressing concerns within the township as well as stopping by your special events to support community members and organizations as officer time allows. We are all in this together; making Upper Macungie Township a great place to live, work, raise a family, and experience all that our community has to offer.



Michael J. Sitoski Chief of Police

patrol division

The backbone of any police department is its Patrol Division. The officers assigned to the Upper Macungie Township Police Department's Patrol Division are those uniformed officers who respond to 911 calls for service and conduct daily patrols of the township. Patrol officers also maintain peace and order, conduct preliminary investigations, and enforce traffic and criminal laws. These officers provide continuous 24-hour service in an area covering 26 square miles. Approximately 26,000 people call the township their home. In terms of population gain from 2010 to 2020, Upper Macungie was the 4th fastest growing municipality in Pennsylvania.

traffic division

The Upper Macungie Township Traffic Unit has a primary mission of increasing traffic safety through enforcement and education with a goal of reducing injuries and deaths on the roadways of Upper Macungie Township. This mission is achieved in various ways through a group of officers that consist of a Sergeant and three officers that have extensive training in areas such as commercial vehicle inspections, accident reconstruction, child safety seat inspections, impaired driving detection as well as many more. The traffic unit also utilizes numerous devices to help achieve its mission and goals such as 2 speed board trailers, speed board sign, a stealth stat which collects data on vehicles such as speeds, quantity of vehicles and size of vehicles, a full set of scales for weighing vehicles and a stationary Elan speed sign. The Traffic Unit is also responsible for investigating traffic collisions, traffic complaints, speed enforcement details, commercial vehicle inspections, enforcing the Pennsylvania vehicle code, school bus stop monitoring (Bee Safe Stops), and DUI enforcement to name a few.

crime division

The Upper Macungie Township Police Department currently employs three full-time detectives assigned to the Crime and Community Services Division. Each of the three detectives possess over twenty years of full-time law enforcement experience. Detectives receive extensive and ongoing training in many aspects of investigations including areas such as interviewing, crime scene processing, evidence processing, photography, etc. Detectives assist with and are assigned investigations that can be complex, time consuming and/or require travel outside of Upper Macungie Township.

K-9 division

The Upper Macungie Township Police Department utilizes two specially trained K-9 teams for various vital purposes to detect and deter crime. The unit was established on January 1, 2013 and the handlers and K-9 partners must pass newly adopted Municipal Police Education Training Commission standards and annual certifications through The National Police Canine Association. The unit proudly relies on senior K-9 handler Sgt. Gardner and training partner Progressive K-9 to be up to date in the latest training and tactics. Please follow us on Instagram @umtpd_k9unit. The unit has a special surprise coming in the 2023, so please stay up to date with the latest UMTPD K-9 news.

community services

The Upper Macungie Township Police Department's Community Services Unit has three primary responsibilities with the police department: School Resource Officer, Community Outreach, and Social Services Coordination and Liaison.

As a School Resource Officer our main duty is to ensure a safe and productive learning environment for the three Parkland Elementary Schools within Upper Macungie Township. However, it is much more than that. The officer performs as not only law enforcement but as an informal counselor to assist with students and school staff needs. In addition, the officer acts as non-traditional educator, teaching DARE classes to 5th grade students or doing presentations on important topics such as internet safety. It is not a surprise to see our officer dancing in the school's talent shows, getting pied in the face on Pi day (3/14), or even wearing pajamas on pajama day. These connections are what this program is all about.

Community Outreach is done in several ways. First, the police department holds a large event every year called National Night Out. This event, held on the first Tuesday in August, has been a huge success with live music, rides, food trucks, a car show, and more. In addition, we organize events like Coffee with a Cop where citizens can just stop by and meet, talk to, and share questions and concerns with officers. We also join forces with Cetronia Ambulance and the Upper Macungie Bureau of Fire for the UMT Junior Emergency Services Academy. This day camp is held every July when kids aged 12 to 16 years get to learn what it is like to be a Police Officer, firefighter, and EMT. Operation Bee Safe is one of our most popular programs where parents and schools nominate bus stops to the police department. Officers go out and meet with students and parents while at the bus stop and monitor the stop for safety violations. Attending and hosting these events help make the invaluable connection between the community and their police department.

The Community Services Unit also has a wonderful working relationship with many social service providers in the area. The police department started a group called the Upper Macungie Hub to address quality of life issues such as mental health, drug and alcohol, and others. With the wonderful assistance of our partners in social services, we have had great success. Now this model is under consideration for expansion throughout Lehigh County.

www.uppermac.org/police







History of Upper Macungie







Upper Macungie Township has grown over the years, so did the township's need for police services. Originally patrolled by the Pennsylvania State Police, the township joined with three Berks County municipalities to form the Berks-Lehigh Regional Police Department in 2001. However, as time moved on, Upper Macungie continued to grow, and township supervisors began to start seriously considering creating its own police force to meet the needs of township businesses and residents. In 2012, that dream became reality when the Upper Macungie Township Board of Supervisors hired former Pennsylvania State Police Commander Edgardo A. Colón to become the Chief of Police of the "new" Upper Macungie Township Police Department. Colón quickly went to work assembling a command staff, which included his former colleague with the Pennsylvania State Police, Joseph B. Wilson, Berks-Lehigh Regional Police Department Sergeant Michael Sitoski (now the current Chief of Police), and Office Manager Keri Diehl. Together, the team assembled the police department that residents now see patrolling Upper Macungie streets on a daily basis. That process included hiring officers, creating policies, designing uniforms and patches, and outfitting an entire fleet of police cruisers.

December 31st 2012, the first police cars bearing the "UMTPD" crest rolled out of the lot of the brand new police headquarters building, located at 37 Grim Road. Inside of those cruisers, the new police force donned French blue uniforms and the new department's patch, which featured the phrase "Committed to Service" embroidered in white stitching. It was a new era of policing in Upper Macungie Township.

lot has changed in the ten years that the UMTPD has served Upper Macungie residents. In 2014, Joseph B. Wilson became the department's first Deputy Chief of Police. In that role, Wilson was tasked with managing the department's ever changing policies and procedures manual, as well as preparing the department for accreditation. Wilson's promotion paved the way for Peter V. Nickischer to take over as Crime and Community Services Commander, a role that he still faithfully serves.







Township Police



2017, the department achieved Chief Colón's objective of reaching accreditation by the Pennsylvania Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission (PLEAC). For Pennsylvania police agencies, accreditation is a "progressive and time-proven way of helping institutions evaluate and improve their overall performance. The cornerstone of this strategy lies in the promulgation of standards containing a clear statement of professional objectives," per PLEAC. The achievement of being accredited meant many things, but most importantly, it helped provide a standard of excellence that is still proudly in place today. The department was successfully reaccredited in 2020 and is on track to be reaccredited again in 2023.

Recognizing his passion for community service and years of experience, the Upper Macungie Board of Supervisors immediately moved to make Michael J. Sitoski the next Chief of Police of the department. During his tenure at the UMTPD, Chief Sitoski has successfully upgraded critical police equipment, supported community service initiatives such the Upper Macungie Hub program for families in crisis, and prioritized officer wellness. In addition to Chief Sitoksi's promotion, Cory S. Reader, an expert in traffic accident investigation and reconstruction, was named Patrol Lieutenant.

While the department has changed over the past ten years, the UMTPD's core values have not. The Chief of Police and all department staff strive to be professional, reliable, and a trusted partner in keeping our community safe for those who live and work here. Thank you to all of the residents and visitors who have supported the police department for the past ten years and we look forward to serving you for many years to come.















100% VOLUNTEERS

To learn more about ANY of UMT's BIG 3 fire companies, or to become a volunteer please contact: Peter Christ, Fire Commissioner, 610-395-4892 ext. 145 | pchrist@uppermac.org Or contact the Fire Chief at any of our 3 fire companies.



Fogelsville Fire Co. Station #8 Fire Chief: Brad Rader 484.239.4414

Good Will Fire Co. #1 Trexlertown Station #25 Fire Chief: Leroy Gross 610.841.8239

Upper Macungie Twp. Station #56 Fire Chief: Matt Sadrovitz 610.841.5690 We value dedicated volunteers of ALL ages and skill sets.

Our motto is: If You Care, You Qualify!

We're always recruiting new volunteers for fire protection, fire police, community safety education, search & rescue and other field responsibilities. We provide required training and equipment cost-free. We also value volunteers to help as:

"Kitchen Commandos"

They are essential to the success of our community breakfasts, bingo, food sales and other fundraising efforts.

Vehicle and Station House Specialists
Mechanically-inclined individuals are highly valued for their skills in equipment and facility servicing and maintenance.

Business & Tech Team Members

If you have skills in computer technology and connectivity, bookkeeping, purchasing or any other business skills, we need you!

SPECIAL FIRE COMPANY EVENTS

FOGELSVILLE FIRE CO. STATION 8



WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO!

Kitchen opens at 5:30 pm and Bingo starts at 6:30 pm. For more information, please call or text Vickie, 484.505.8417, email us at fvcauxiliary@gmail.com or follow our Facebook page: Fogelsville Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary

GOODWILL FIRE CO. #1 STATION 25



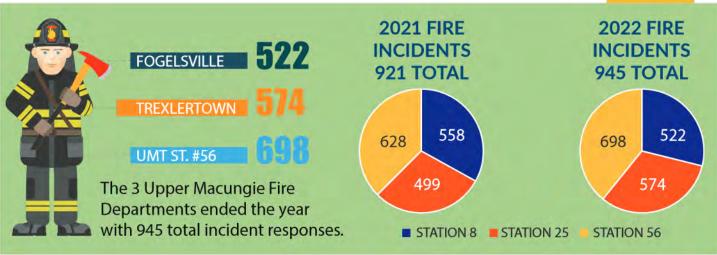
SAUSAGE SANDWICH SALE!

Order early, 610.395.8678. Pick up. 11 to 1 or 4 to 6 pm. \$6 each.



FIRE TEAM BREAKFAST!

2nd Sunday of the month, 8 am till noon, last one for summer is in May. For more information, please call 610.395.8678.







COMMUNITYDEVELOPMENT

This is the first in a series of articles which will be dedicated to the general topic of Community Development.

This article broadly covers the actual process that a land development plan undergoes from submission to approval.

Keep an eye out for future editions of Upper Mac News for articles that will cover additional topics such as the Comprehensive Plan, Official Map, Special Exceptions and Conditional Uses, and other land use topics.

Developing a parcel of land in Pennsylvania is multi-step process that is guided by the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code (MPC), which gives local government the exclusive authority to plan and regulate land use within its borders. The MPC provides a uniform framework for planning and establishing land use laws, and most of its provisions are devoted to procedural matters for governments and landowners to follow. In addition to the language of the MPC, there is also a large body of case law regarding it which must be considered when engaging in land use.

Local governments may adopt ordinances including a Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance (SALDO) and Zoning Ordinance, both of which Upper Macungie Township has adopted and regularly updates. When landowners plan for the development of their property, they must take these ordinances as well as various state rules and regulations into consideration – a complicated process which is usually managed by professional planners and engineers on behalf of their clients.

Once a property owner has developed a concept, they frequently will meet with Township staff and consultants to review a Sketch Plan to discuss the general concept of their plan and whether it generally complies with Township Ordinances. Sometimes, this Sketch Plan will also be presented to the Township's Planning Commission (PC), also for an informal review, which allows the Commissioners to provide their feedback prior to the start of the formal process.

This formal process begins with the submission of a Preliminary Plan, which typically consist of many sheets depicting certain aspects of the development, including the proposed site plan, an existing features plan, and plans for landscaping, stormwater management, lighting, utilities, and many others. The purpose of the Preliminary Plan is to establish the layout of the site, including the number of units or size and location of buildings, parking areas, or other facilities. Preliminary Plans are important because they vest the Applicant with certain rights.

As provided for in the MPC, the Township has 90 days to review the Plan and make a decision as to whether or not the Plan satisfies the requirements of its various ordinances, providing either an approval or denial of the Plan. However, in most cases 90 days is not sufficient to complete a meaningful review and render a decision on the plan, and the MPC allows the Applicant to extend the period of time for the Township to complete this process.

The initial review of the Preliminary Plan is undertaken by the PC which is advised by Township staff and consultants, including engineers, planners, and a solicitor.

The purpose of the PC is to undertake a detailed review of the Plan and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) as to whether or not the Plan satisfies the requirements of the Township ordinances. Presuming the Plan has been revised to satisfy ordinance requirements, the PC will formally vote to recommend the BOS approve the plan. The BOS, at a subsequent meeting, would then determine whether or not the Plan is actually approved or denied. Assuming the Plan is approved, the Plan is vested with certain rights under State Law. If the Plan is denied, the owner or applicant has a right to appeal the denial to the Court of Common Pleas. Generally, if a Plan complies with all laws and ordinances, the BOS has little discretion and it must be approved.

Once Preliminary Plan approval is obtained, the Applicant would then prepare and submit a Final Plan which would go through an identical process as outlined above. Depending on the nature of the project, it is not unusual for the Plan review process, from initial submission to final approval, to last anywhere from nine months to two years. During the process, the Applicant is generally working concurrently with outside agencies, such as PennDOT, the PA DEP and other third parties to submit applications in order to obtain their needed permits and approvals.

While this may seem like a lengthy process, the purpose is to insure that there is proper oversight in the development of land and that the site will function properly, as designed, and that any impacts to adjacent properties are negated or minimized to the greatest extent possible.

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MAINTENANCE IS ESSENTIAL

A home is one of the biggest investments that many people will ever make, and over time repairs are necessary. Here are some useful tips on the common projects that may help avoid unnecessary headaches and extend the useful life of your investment.



Please contact the UMT Zoning/Building Code Office at 610-395-4892 for all code & permit questions.

DECKS

When was the last time you waterproofed your deck? Although synthetic (ie. Trex) decking is considered maintenance free, the framing and support structure underneath it is not. Most deck framing is constructed using pressure treated lumber. However, as time passes, water infiltrates screw and nail points, cut lumber joints, flashing, and cracked lumber. As a result, it is extremely important to examine your deck yearly and treat all pressure treated lumber with a waterproofing agent in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

ROOFING, GUTTERS & DOWNSPOUTS

Many roofing installations fail for one of two reasons – drip edge or kickout flashing. The drip edge is installed at the edge of the roof under the roofing shingles. Kickout flashing is installed where a roofline ends at the side wall and directs the roof water away from the wall of the house. The purpose of both is to prevent water from infiltrating underneath the shingles and coming into contact with the structure. Gutters should be inspected and cleaned yearly and downspouts should discharge away from foundation walls.

VOLUNTER BOARD MEMBERS WANTED

Are you interested in giving back to the community? The township has many boards, commissions and committees that are always looking for new members. Please visit our website for more information or scan the QR code and complete our Volunteer Board Application.









STORMWATER TIPS

IMPORTANT MEASURES YOU CAN TAKE

Do **NOT** apply pesticides, herbicides or fertilizers under windy conditions, or when rain, snow, sleet or hail is predicted within the next 48 hours.















WHAT IS WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE?

Common practices such as these can pollute our water:



1.
Over spraying
fertilizer/pesticides
on the sidewalk and
applying them under
wet conditions.



2.
Raking or blowing leaves and grass off yard and into streets.



3.
Leaving pet waste that can carry bacteria to waterways.



Stockpiling landscape material into the street where it can be a drving safety hazard, clog drains, and result in pollution



Allowing irrigation overspray to enter waterways.



YARD WASTE REMOVAL GUIDELINES

610-395-4892 | pubworks@uppermac.org | www.uppermac.org/public-works/

For your convenience, Upper Macungie Township provides property owners with the means to properly dispose of their leaves and yard waste. We conduct curbside pickup twice a year in the spring (May) and the fall (October). www.uppermac.org/public-works/yard-waste-drop-off-site-information/



CURBSIDE YARD WASTE PICKUP PLEASE PUT YOUR YARD WASTE OUT THE NIGHT BEFORE THE PICKUP.

Semi-annually each year, there are fall (October) and spring (May) one-time curbside pickups of yard-waste for leaves from trees, garden residue, shrubbery trimmings, and tree trimmings. See restrictions below.

Limbs and branches tied and bundled to a maximum of 48" x 18" x 18". If branches and limbs are not tied & bundled, they will not be picked up.

NO PLASTIC BAGS, STONES, LUMBER, GRASS CLIPPINGS OR ROOTS WILL BE COLLECTED!

Items improperly bagged or bundled will not be accepted. Leaf waste can be placed in open trash containers, no larger than 32 gallon capacity and less than 60 pounds. A combined maximum of six (6) bundles or containers per household will be collected.

IF YOU MISSED THE PICKUP DATE:

Yard waste may be deposited at the UMT Yard Waste Drop-off Site located near the intersection of Schantz & Grim Roads, next to the Public Works garage. Drop-off services is made available to **RESIDENTS ONLY**. Contractors and businesses are **NOT** permitted to use this facility.

YARD WASTE DROP-OFF SITE HOURS: CLOSED ON UMT OBSERVED HOLIDAYS

Spring/Summer/Fall Hours April 1 - November 5 Mondays | 7 am - 7 pm Tuesdays | 3 pm - 7 pm Wednesdays | 3 pm - 7 pm Thursdays | 3 pm - 7 pm Fridays | 7 am - 7 pm Saturdays | 9 am - 5 pm Sundays | 9 am - 5 pm Winter Hours
November 6 - March 31
Mondays | 7 am - 5 pm
Tuesdays | Closed
Wednesdays | 7 am - 5 pm
Thursdays | Closed
Fridays | 7 am - 5 pm
Saturdays | 9 am - 5 pm
Sundays | 9 am - 5 pm

NOTICE - The Upper Macungie Yard Waste Center is now under 24-hour video surveillance. All activities are monitored and recorded.

DROP-OFF INSTRUCTIONS:

Drop-off site located on Grim Road next to the Public Works Garage. ACCEPTABLE ITEMS: grass clippings, leaves, shrubs and small trees. All waste must be removed from bags. Please remember that grass must be separated from other yard-waste. Shrubs and small trees accepted IF they are no longer than 4 feet long and 5 inches wide.

The Township offers FREE mulch year-round as a benefit to residents. During the month of May, Township staff will be available on weekends between 9 am – 1 pm to help load.

REFUSE/RECYCLING GUIDELINES & BILL PAY INFO

2023 IMPORTANT UTILITY BILLING CHANGES

- New for 2023-One invoice will be issued for Sewer and Refuse charges.
- Sewer \$89.00 per quarter. Refuse \$80.00 per quarter.
- Senior Citizen Refuse Rate \$75.00 per quarter.



CHARGES WILL BE BILLED QUARTERLY

- 1ST QUARTER: January 1st through March 31st
- 2ND QUARTER: April 1st through June 30th
- 3RD QUARTER: July 1st through September 30th
- 4TH QUARTER: October 1st through December 31st
- You will no longer need to issue separate checks-ONE invoice ONE check!
- Or pay online with NO SERVICE FEES at www.uppermac.org Select the PAYMENT icon from the home screen

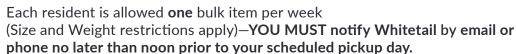
REFUSE & RECYCLING PICKUP

MISSED PICKUPS OR SERVICE QUESTIONS?



Email UMT@whitetaildisposal.com or call 610-936-9967 You must leave a message with your Name, Address, and Phone Number

BULK ITEM PICKUP INSTRUCTIONS





ARE YOU A NEW RESIDENT?

New Residents must fill out a moving permit. You will receive a township map with important information, FAQ's and a copy of our latest newsletter. Those moving into new construction will be given a trash cart delivery date.

Make sure to review the important information within this newsletter! Questions – 610.395.4892 Option #4.



TRASH & RECYCLING CART QUICK FACTS

UMT provides newly constructed homes with one trash cart and one recycle cart. You may purchase ONE additional trash and recycling cart per residence. PLEASE NOTE: Carts cannot be exchanged or returned.

65 Gallon Cart for \$65 | 95 Gallon Cart for \$85



SENIOR CITIZEN DISCOUNT 2023

The Township offers a YEARLY discount for trash/recycling services to anyone over 65. You must be 65 years of age by Dec. 31, 2023 to be eligible for the 2024 discount. Proof of age must be shown (e.g. driver's license) and you must own and live at your residence. Apply at the UMT municipal building (just apply once).

WHITETAIL HOLIDAY PICK-UP SCHEDULE

NO PICK-UP for the following holidays:

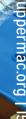
Memorial Day - May 29th | July 4th | Labor Day - September 4th

Thanksgiving Day - November 23rd | Christmas Day-December 25th

ALL SERVICE DAYS FOR THESE HOLIDAY WEEKS DELAYED ONE DAY









2023 RESIDENTS ONLY RECYCLING EVENTS:

ID REQUIRED. YARD WASTE CARDS NOT ACCEPTED.

A convenient spectrum of services for the regular disposal or recycling of standard household wastes are provided to Upper Macungie Township residents. Guidelines for the proper usage of these services are detailed on the Refuse and Recycling sections of the UMT website. Should you have any questions, please contact Upper Macungie Refuse and Recycling Departments at 610-395-4892 Option #4.



6 MAY

ELECTRONIC RECYCLING EVENT*

Grange Park | 9 am - 1 pm

Accepted: TV Monitors (3 max), computers/monitors, microwaves, household batteries, fluorescent light bulbs (NO APPLIANCES). www.uppermac.org/recycling-3/



20 MAY

SHREDDING RECYCLING EVENT

Grange Park | 9 am - 11 am
Accepted: PAPER DOCUMENTS ONLY.
NO PLASTIC BAGS!



Staples do not need to be removed, limit 5 bags/boxes per person. www.uppermac.org/recycling-3/

*If you miss the UMT Electronic Recycling event, below are two other options:

- CleanEarth (formerly AERC) 2591 Mitchell Avenue, Allentown, PA (off Emmaus Ave.)
 Open to Public on Fridays only from 9 am -4 pm. Small fee for TV's *** Does not accept Appliances.
- GER Solutions 635 S. 10th Street, Unit 600, Allentown PA 18103 | 610.443.1716

 Monday Wednesday Friday from 9:30 am 12 noon | 1pm 4pm Select Saturday(s). There may be a fee.

ON-LOT SEWAGE MANAGEMENT UPDATE

SEWAGE SYSTEM INSPECTIONS MANDATORY IN 2023 FOR DISTRICT 2 PROPERTIES

This is an ordinance mandated by DEP to monitor the proper function of on-lot sewage systems to protect our water table and overall environment.

This directive is divided into three districts. The residents in District 3 met all requirements with no complications in 2021. District 2 property owners are required to have their septic systems cleaned and inspected by a UMT registered pumper/hauler before December 31, 2023. A list of registered pumper/haulers can be found on our website, uppermac.org.



We are now hiring

CAMP

COUNSELORS

Must be 16+.
Apply at
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for all locations.



JUNE 12 -AUGUST 4 | 9:00 am - 3:00 pm | Monday - Friday Ages 6 - 12 (Must be 6 years old and may not turn 13 prior to August 4th)

The fun never stops at the Summer Playground Program which will be bigger and better than ever this year! Kids will enjoy sports, games, teambuilding, arts & crafts, fitness and nature-based programs! Your one-time fee will include eight (8) weeks of supervision.



Concerts on the Grange - May 12 & 13

Two nights of great music and food! Music will start around 6:00 pm each night. Make sure to come early to get your spot and enjoy the food trucks and vendors! Come out and see great tribute acts covering Elton John, Billy Joel, The Doors, and The Grateful Dead.

CONCERTS ON THE GRANGE

Upper Mac Days - June 23 - 25

Join us at this three-day event as a celebration of all things Upper Macungie. There will be plenty of activities for kids and adults alike. Please keep your eye on our website and social media for updates as we get closer to the event!

Sangriafest Upper Macungie - Sept. 2

We are partnering up with local wineries to produce a spectacular event in Grange Park! Mark your calendars, this is one you don't want to miss!

Vegfest Upper Macungie - Sept. 9

A celebration of the Lehigh Valley's ever-growing plant-based lifestyle scene, Vegfest Upper Macungie will feature food and retail vendors, live entertainment, and speaking sessions from influencers within the vegan world. Come on out and enjoy this unique and special event happening right here in UMT!

Upper Macungie Township has partnered with Artsquest to bring family friendly community events to you! Mark your calendar and plan to join us for these amazing events happening right here in UMT!



RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS 2023

- For updates and additional program information, park addresses, registration fees, etc., please visit www.uppermac.org or visit us on social media!
- Unless a specific program registration link is listed in the description, you may register for all UMT recreation programs at https://uppermac.recdesk.com/Community/Home



GIRLS ON THE RUN

Grange Park, Pavilions #1 and #2 | Mondays & Wednesdays, 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm March 6 – May 5 (8 weeks, 16 practices plus a make-up)

This program is a combination of learning social-emotional skills with physical/ healthy habits and provides a safe social opportunity to put them to use! www.GOTRLehighValley.org

HEALTHY KIDS RUNNING SERIES

Grange Park, Pavilions #1 | Sundays, 4 pm | Ages 2 - 14

April 16th | April 23rd | April 30th | May 7th | May 21st (rain date May 28th) HKRS is a national, community-based non-profit providing a fun, inclusive fiveweek running series, designed for kids to get active, feel accomplished and lay the foundation for a "Get up and Go" lifestyle.

https://runsignup.com/Race/PA/Allentown/HKRSAllentownPA



Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building | Main Meeting room 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031 | 9:30 am - 4:00 pm 3 Classes:

April 10th | June 17th | August 12th

Safe Sitter is a one-day course run by Safe Sitter Certified Instructors from The Nanny Loft LLC. Safe Sitter is designed to prepare students in grades 6-8 to be safe when they're home alone, watching siblings, or babysitting.

MIGHTY KICKS YOUTH SOCCER

Grange Park Pavilion #6 | Sundays, 6 week program | Ages 2 - 7

Spring Session:

April 16 - May 28

Summer Session:

July 9 - August 13

Fall Session:

September 10 - October 15

This program is designed to build motor skills, life skills, self-confidence, and basic soccer techniques.



NEW

LIL ATHLETICS SPORTS CLASS

Grange Park Pavilion #3

Spring Session: April 12 - May 3 Summer Session: June 7 - June 28

4:00 pm (Ages 2 & 3 w/ parent participation)

5:55 pm (Age 4) 6:45 pm (Ages 5 & 6)

This multi-sport camp will introduce a variety of sports to children and will be taught by Lil Athletics using age-appropriate equipment in a fun and positive environment. This four-week session introduces your child to a variety of sports to see what he/she may like before buying expensive sports equipment!

APRIL thru **AUG**

APRIL thru OCT

APRIL thru JUNE

RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS 2023

ADULT BASKETBALL/SOCCER LEAGUE

We have partnered up with Heyday Athletic, the premiere adult social sports leagues in the Lehigh Valley! All games between 6:00pm - 8:00pm at Grange Park. www.heydayathletic.com

APRIL thru **AUG**

Adult Basketball

Spring Season:

Women's Mondays - April 17 - June 12

Men's Wednesdays - April 19 - June 14

Summer Season:

Women's Mondays - June 26 - August 28 (no games July 3rd) Men's Wednesdays - June 28 - August 30 (no games July 5th)

Adult Soccer

Spring Season:

Mondays and Wednesdays - May 8 - June 19

TENNIS LESSONS

At Blue Barn Park

Spring Lessons:

Monday Tennis - April 24 - May 22 | Ages 7 - Adult

APRIL thru **OCT**

Summer Lessons:

Session 1: June 5 - July 3 | Ages 7 - Adult

Session 2: August 7 - August 28 | Ages 7 - Adult

Fall Lessons:

Monday Tennis - September 11 - October 9 | Ages 7 - 15

All lessons are taught by Brian Bleam who has deep roots in the Lehigh Valley and has coached for both Salisbury and Emmaus High School, Muhlenberg College and has served as the head tennis pro at Oakmont Tennis Club for many years.

Everyone must bring their own racquet and water bottle!

ADULT AND SENIOR FITNESS

UMT Recreation has partnered with St. Luke's and the PASD! Join us for these low-impact strength and flexibility exercise programs for adults of all activity levels working on balance, coordination, agility, and functional strength. Although the classes are free, you must pre-register.

APRIL thru NOV

- Chair Strength & Mobility Spring Session | Parkland Administrative Building (1210 Springhouse Rd, Allentown) | April 26 - May 24 | 9:00 - 9:45 am
- Low Level Metabolic Fitness Class | Grange Park Pavilion #6 | May 8 6:00 - 7:00 pm | Register on RecDesk
- Chair Strength & Mobility Fall Session | Parkland Administrative Building (1210 Springhouse Rd, Allentown) | Sept. 27 - Nov. 1 | 9:00 - 9:45 am www.parklandsd.org/community/seniors

MAY thru JUNE

ZUMBA IN THE PARK

Grange Park Pavilion #6 | Tuesdays 5:30 - 6:30 pm May 30 - June 27

Join us for a 5-week Zumba session will improve your cardio, muscle conditioning, balance, and flexibility.

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RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS 2023



HUNTER TRAPPER EDU CLASS

UMT Township Building

(8330 Schantz Rd, Breinigsville PA 18031) 8:30 am - 4:00 pm Hunter-Trapper Education Course in partnership with the Pennsylvania Game Commission. The class will take place at the Township Building and is required of all PA hunters. Must pre-register.

www.register-ed.com/programs/pennsylvania

SELF DEFENSE CLASSES

LVMA | 7150 Hamilton Blvd, Trexlertown PA 18031 May 20 | 11:00 am - 12:00 pm | Aug. 19 | 11:00 am - 12:00 pm In partnership with Lehigh Valley Marshall Arts (LVMA), UMT residents can attend this free community program, but please preregister online.

MAD SCIENCE SUMMER CAMPS

Lone Lane Park

- My First Lab: June 12 June 16 | 9:00 am 12:00 pm (Ages 3 – 5 yrs. old, must be potty-trained) This five-session preschool camp offers young children an exciting introduction to science.
- Brixology Camp: June 26 30 | 9:00 am 12:00 pm (Ages 6 - 12 yrs. old) Using LEGO® bricks, kids build a different engineeringthemed project in each class of this specialty camp.
- Chemicals, Cells & Crime: July 24 28 | 9:00 am 12:00 pm (Ages 6 - 12 yrs. old) Campers will take a walk on the Organ Trail as we explore our bodies systems. We'll solve a mock crime as we look for clues and then Cellebrate the rest of the week with Radical Reactions and Chemical Counting.
- NASA Academy of Future Space Explorers: Aug. 14 18 9:00 am - 12:00 pm (Ages 6 - 12 yrs. old) Journey into Outer Space -This hands-on specialty camp teaches them about living in space, getting away from gravity, looking for space phenomena, and they participate in a rocket launch!

YOGA IN THE PARK

Ricky Park - 5875 Ricky Ridge Trail, Orefield, PA 18069 June 5 - Sept. 27 | Mondays 4:30 - 5:30 pm | Wednesdays 5:00 - 6:00 pm Fridays 9:00 - 10:00 am

Relax to the sights and sounds from nature during these new yoga classes! You will need to bring a yoga mat and water bottle.

WILD THINGS CAMP

Lone Lane Park | Aug. 7 - 11 | 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Kindergarten - 5th Grade | Mon. - Fri. | \$350 Find the wild things, get to know them, and do what you can to keep them safe. Experiments, games, and Wildlands Conservancy's own Animal Ambassadors fill this week made for those who love all things furry,

feathered, and scaled. Must bring a non-perishable lunch each day. Register at wildlandspa.org/camp—use code "earlybird10%" before May 1 to save 10%



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SPECIAL EVENTS 2023

THE BUNNY HOP TRUNK HUNT

1APRIL

Grange Park | Saturday, April 1 | 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Join us for a new twist on the traditional egg hunt. In partnership with

Bears Repeating, the Bunny Hop Trunk Hunt is structured like a Trunk or

Treat with decorated cars handing out Eggs! Businesses, organizations, or
individuals can register to decorate a car for free! Decorated cars give out
eggs either hidden in their decorations or giving them out. Attendance is
free! There will be music, food trucks, and giveaways, and pictures with

the Easter Bunny!

EARTH DAY 2023

22 APRIL Grange Park | Saturday, April 22 | 9:00 am – 12:00 pm We are looking for community members, groups, businesses and families who would like to give back! Our Earth Day event will not be a simple trash clean up here in Upper Macungie Township, we will be making improvements to Grange Park, planting trees, mulching, cleaning play equipment, and other small beautification projects!

2 JUNE

CONCERT IN THE PARK

Grange Park | Friday, June 2 | 7:00 pm Grab your friends and family and head on down to Grange Park for our 2023 Community Summer Concert! More information coming May 12th.

MOVIES IN THE PARK

Gather your friends, neighbors and family and join us for these free family friendly Movies in the Park. Bring a blanket or lawn chairs and arrive early.

Lone Lane Park | Friday, July 14 | Strange World

Grange Park | Friday, August 11 | Puss in Boots – The Last Wish The Velodrome | Friday, September 8 | Turning Red

All local Fire Departments will be on-site for the 9/8 movie to interact with the community and kids!

JULY thru SEPT









NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

This is an annual community-building campaign that promotes Police-Community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, better places to live. Together, we are making that happen! Join us on August 1st from 5:00 - 8:00 pm for live music, rides for the kids, food trucks, and more! Location TBD.

SEE PAGE 25 TO LEARN ABOUT BEING A PROGRAM/EVENT SPONSOR!

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ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM

Register online and pay via credit/debit card for all community classes, programs and facility rentals. To create your account, please visit https://uppermac.recdesk.com/Community/Home.

Our Park & Recreation Board and the recreation staff are always striving to grow and improve the programs and events we offer our township residents. Our broad-based programming includes sport programs for all ages, outdoor movies, large and small events, educational programs, fitness programs, and more. There is something for everyone! Do you have a new idea or want to get involved in future events? If so, contact the Upper Macungie Township Department of Parks and Recreation at uppermac.org or 610-395-4892.

Thank you in advance, we look forward to hearing from you!

GET INVOLVED!

FREE

BIKE SKILLS & SAFETY RODEO

Presented by the Valley Preferred Cycling Center in partnership with UMT Parks & Recreation.

April 29 | Grange Park Pavilion #6 | Two Sessions: 10:00 - 11:00 am & 11:30 am - 12:30 pm



Kids between 6-10 are welcome to sign up for a bike rodeo hosted by the Velodrome in Trexlertown. At the rodeo, kids will learn about bike safety and road rules. They will also get a chance to ride on practice courses set up to test out their new skills.

All participants must be able to ride a bike and must bring their own bike and helmet in order to participate.

Must pre-register online.

NEW COMMUNITY PARK

Russett Road Park

We are happy to announce that the Upper Macungie Township Board of Supervisors approved the renovation of Russett Road Park! This new playground will be designed to promote physical health, balance, and cognitive skills. Keep your eye on our social media pages for updates throughout 2023!





PAVILION RENTALS

Are you looking to have an unforgettable event? Our Park pavilions make a great setting for your special day and can be reserved online at uppermac.recdesk.com/Community/Home. Our pavilions book quickly so please make sure to plan ahead!

Lone Lane Park

One large Pavilion

Breinigsville Park

Two large Pavilions

Upper Macungie Park

Two large Pavilions

Grange Park

Four large Pavilions



Splash Pad Memberships Available:

The Grange Park Splash Pad is a seasonal amenity. The season runs similar to that of a public pool; June through early September. During the open season, the Splash Pad will be open daily from 10:00 am-7:00 pm. An Access Card/Membership is needed.

How to Purchase a Membership:

To purchase or renew your membership, complete the form online. All new cards must be picked-up at the Township building.

Annual Membership Fee:

Residents —\$10 plus a \$10 Card Fee (if purchasing a new card) Non-Residents —\$20 plus a \$10 Card Fee (if purchasing a new card)

POOL PASS

Lower Macungie Township Partnership

UMT has partnered up with LMT to offer discounts to our residents! UMT residents can get a discounted pool pass to the LMT pool and LMT residents can get a splash pad card from UMT for a discounted rate. Please check our website for more information.





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About Heather Glen

Heather Glen is a beautiful Senior Living Community located at 415 Blue Barn Road here in Upper Macungie. Heather Glen is owned by Kay Builders, a local reputable company that has been building in the Lehigh Valley for seven decades. Kay Builders felt they wanted to continue serving the Lehigh Valley customers as they aged and decided to build Heather Glen, among other Active Adult and Senior Living facilities. Wanting the best possible care, service, and attention for their customers, Heather Glen is operated by a highly experienced management company.

Why did Heather Glen choose Upper Macungie as it's home?

The demographics of the Township supported the need for this type facility. The site we chose in UMT offers the best of both words; a serene, beautiful location with minimal congestion and noise, paired with the convenience of close by industry and highway access. We are so grateful for the support from Upper Macungie Township for the last several years!

What sets Heather Glen apart?

With a variety of options for senior living facilities, why choose Heather Glen? According to Rick Koze, President/Owner of Kay Builders, being locally owned is one of their greatest advantages. Along with being a beautiful facility, residents benefit from management and record-keeping being local. They will not need to worry that decisions and changes are being made from another state, or that records are not accessible. As a local business, caregivers and staff are hand-picked with a rigid screening process and they can provide superior compensation packages.

They have also been nationally recognized as a leader in Senior Living. When asked what the best part of their day is, management responded, "Serving our residents with compassion and excellence. Our staff make it their mission that residents take pride in calling Heather Glen their home, and it shows."

Heather Glen is thankful for the support, training, and guidance they receive from local hospitals, health care networks, Upper Macungie Township First Responders, as well as the entire UMT community for their support!

PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS HELP YOUR COMMUNITY!

Our generous community partners make community programs possible. Donations to the UMT Parks & Recreation, not only benefit the community, they are tax deductible too!

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Our goal is to provide safe, family-friendly programs and events that bring people together and foster a sense of community. We would consider it an honor and a privilege to add your family or business to our list of partners as we continue to host events that further your vision, supports your passion's and benefits your community. Plans are well underway for 2023 sponsorship opportunities. To view a complete list of these sponsorship opportunities, please visit our website.

For more details on Donation and Sponsorship opportunities: recreation@uppermac.org, 610.395.4892.

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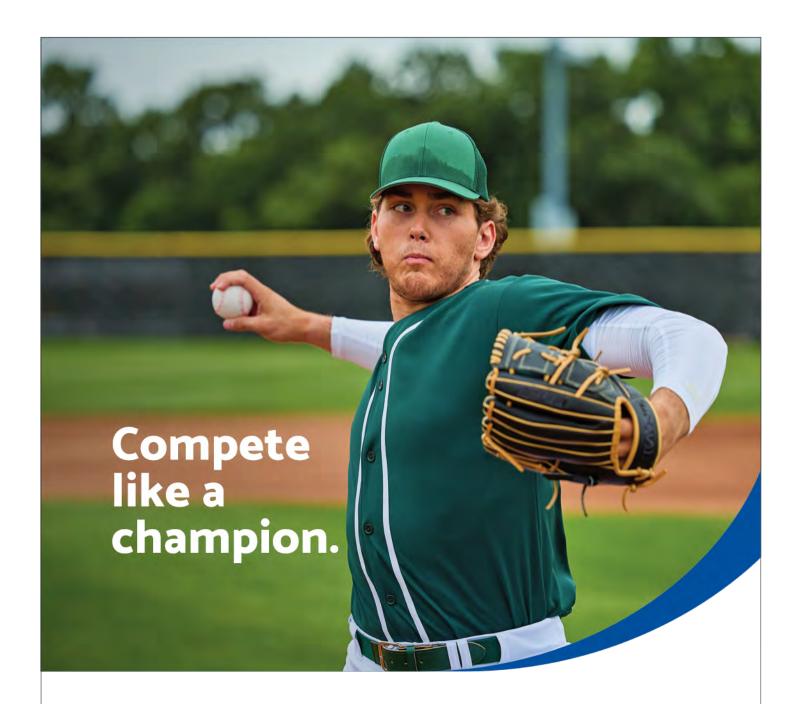




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Staff Directory: www.uppermac.org/contact-umt-offices/

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Monday - Friday | 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

December 25 Christmas Day

January 1New Year's Day 2024

DIRECTIONS:

From I-78 and Rt 100 South, turn right onto Schantz Road. We are located next to both the Upper Macungie Police Department and State Police Department buildings.

UPPER MACUNGIF TOWNSHIP HOLIDAY SCHEDULF

| OFFER MACONGIE TOWNSHIP HOLIDAY SCHEDOLE | | | |
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| January 2 | New Year's Day 2023 (Observed) | | |
| February 20 | Presidents' Day | | |
| April 7 | Good Friday | | |
| May 29 | Memorial Day | | |
| July 4 | Independence Day | | |
| September 4 | Labor Day | | |
| October 27 | Save the Date - Trick or Treat Day | | |
| October 28 | Trick or Treat Rain Date | | |
| November 10 | Veterans Day (Observed) | | |
| November 23 | Thanksgiving | | |
| November 24 | Day after Thanksgiving | | |
| December 22 | Christmas (Observed) | | |

UMT Important Information

| Upper Macungie Township | 610-395-4892 |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| UMT Office 7:30 am - 4 pm | Fax 610-395-9355 |

Upper Macungie Township Police Department

| Emergency | 911 |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Non-Emergency: Lehigh County | 610-437-5252 |
| Administration | 484-661-5911 |
| UMTPD Tip/Text Line | 484-273-0336 |

Magisterial District Judge for Lehigh County

| State Dog | Enforcement | | |
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610-398-1167

Michael Faulkner

| Orlando Aguirre | 484-223-9107 |
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| Lost & Found UMT Parks Only | 610-395-4892 |

Hazardous Waste Lehigh County

Hazardous Waste & Recycling 610-782-3073

Trash or Recycling

Whitetail Disposal 610-936-9967

Water Questions

Lehigh County Authority 610-398-2503

Call Before You Dig!

PA One Call System 800-242-1776 or 811

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PPL Utilities 800-342-5775

Traffic Lights Repair & Maintenance

UMT Public Works 610-395-4892 **State Roads PennDOT** 610-798-4282

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Youth Organizations

South Parkland Youth Association | www.spya.org Warehouse 610-395-9878

Breinigsville VFW Youth Activities 610-391-0658

The Sanctuary at Haafsville

Animal Rescue 484-788-8062

Voter Registration 610-782-3194

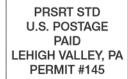
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Contact Info & Artwork Submission: recreation@uppermac.org 610.395.4892 x156 Payment Information: Cash or check only. Checks can be made out to Upper Macungie Township.







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