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UMT COMMUNITY CENTER GROUNDBREAKING











Would you like to stay up to date on the latest news and information about the Township? Here is your chance, the Township has launched the Communications Cloud, that allows us to quickly connect with you.

In the Communications Cloud, you will be able to sign up for notifications on topics that are important to you within our community. Do you want updates on park projects, general township news, planning and zoning, upcoming recreational events? This system will allow you to sign up to receive just the information that you want to receive in the form of a custom message which will maintain you informed and engaged.





State Representative Mike Schlossberg

As your Representative, I fight to:



Fix Pennsylvania's broken mental health care

communities against megadevelopment

My office can help you with:

- Unclaimed
- Property PA Tax Forms
- **PennDOT Services** Birth/Death Certificates
- **Assistance** with **State Agency**
- **Property Tax & Rent Rebate**

and much more!

Disability Parking Placard Help:

My office can help you submit an initial application and replace or renew an existing placard. Give a call (610-821-5577) so we can help. Note: you do not need to drive to have a placard. The placard is yours to use when somebody else is driving you.

Contact My Office

- RepSchlossberg@PAHouse.net
- (610) 821-5577

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· Any other state government-related

Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program

programs for senior citizens.



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Mackenzie's Offices Can Help with **State-Related Matters**

UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP - Rep. Ryan Mackenzie (R-Lehigh) reminds residents that his Lower Macungie Township and Northwestern Lehigh district offices offer a variety of state-related services.

SENATOR

JARRETT COLEMAN

Serving Lehigh and Bucks Counties

The Lower Macungie Township office is located at 3402 Brookside Road in Macungie. The telephone numbers are 610-965-9933 and 833-933-3675 (toll free). The Northwestern Lehigh office is located at 6806 Route 309, Suite 200A, in New Tripoli. The telephone number is 610-760-7082. Both offices are open Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (except holidays).

Mackenzie's staff 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. He also hosts monthly senior assistance and veteran assistance days that can be scheduled by calling the office.

Residents are invited to visit Mackenzie's website at www.RepMackenzie.com for more ways to contact him and stay up to date on important information.

www.RepMackenzie.com | Facebook.com/RepMackenzie 610-965-9933 | 833-933-3675 (toll-free)



Senior Living & Memory Care

About Heather Glen

Heather Glen is a beautiful Senior Living Community located at 415 Blue Barn Road here in Upper Macungie Township. Heather Glen is owned by Kay Builders, a local 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 Senior Living. Wanting the best possible care, service, and attention for their residents, Heather Glen is operated by a highly experienced team.

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

The demographics of the Township supported the need for this type of senior living community. The site we chose in Upper Macungie Township offers the best of both worlds; 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 communities, 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 community, residents benefit from management being local. They will not need to worry that decisions and changes are being made from another state.

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 Upper Macungie Township community for their support!

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.

Office / Sitting Hours:

- The tax collector works remote. There is no permanent tax collector office at the township building.
- Upper Macungie Township does allow the tax collector to meet with taxpayers in the building located at 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville.
- Sitting hours will be listed on tax bills and are also available by appointment.

Tax Bills:

- UMT real estate tax bills are dated April 1 and cover the calendar year (Jan – Dec) .
- Parkland School District real estate tax bills are dated July 1 and cover the fiscal year (July – June).
- Exception tax bills are typically issued on February 1, May 1 and August 1. These bills are issued when there are increases to assessed property values (ex: new constructions, additions) that have retroactive effective dates.

Paying Taxes:

- 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. If you are paying by cash, please have the exact amount.
- Tax payments are made payable to Tracy Hodrick, Tax Collector.
- Should you require a receipt, your options are to include your email address or a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment or to come in person during the hours listed on your tax bill. Also, you are encouraged to include a contact phone number.
- No township employee is allowed to receive tax payments or provide a paid receipt.
- Residents who utilize online banking payments will need to create a separate "Payee" for township and school taxes.
- Returned checks will be subject to a fee of \$25 per check.

taxcollector@uppermac.org | 610.481.9191 Credit card payments are not accepted.

Questions & Answers

What if I write the wrong amount on my check?
IT WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU, IF A PHONE NUMBER IS
INCLUDED WITH THE PAYMENT WE WILL CALL AND LET
YOU KNOW YOUR PAYMENT CANNOT BE ACCEPTED
AND THE REASON WHY.

What if I postdate my check?

POSTDATED CHECKS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED, THEY WILL BE MAILED BACK TO THE TAXPAYER.

What if I drop off my payment after the due date? IF THE PAYMENT IS RECEIVED AFTER THE DUE DATE IT WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED IF IT FOR THE AMOUNT CURRENTLY DUE (EX. FLAT vs DISCOUNT). PAYMENTS RECEIVED AFTER 12/31 WILL BE RETURNED.

Am I responsible to pay a late fee if my check was returned to me?

YES, THERE IS A \$25 FEE PER CHECK FOR ANY CHECK RETURNED BY YOUR BANK (EX. NON-SUFFICENT FUND, STOP PAYMENT, ACCOUNT CLOSED).

What is the best way to contact Tracy and the expected turnaround time for her to contact me?

EMAIL IS THE BEST WAY, taxcollector@uppermac.org YOU CAN ALSO LEAVE A VOICE MAIL MESSAGE (610-481-9191). WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO RETURN ALL PHONE CALLS AND EMAILS WITHIN 2 BUSINESS DAYS.

What if I did not receive a bill?

CONTACT THE TAX COLLECTOR TO REQUEST A COPY, IF YOU ARE THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY YOU ARE STILL OBLIGATED TO PAY THE TAX BILL.

I am new to the area. Where can I find the information on what taxes I am responsible for here?

YOU CAN VISIT THE LEHIGH COUNTY ASSESSMENT WEBSITE OR CALL THE TAX COLLECTOR AND WE CAN REVIEW IT WITH YOU.

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

Local Government Week Open House

Come join us for our 3rd annual Open House. We will have representatives from all departments to answer questions about what we do to support our residents. Make sure to bring the children as well as our Fire, Police and Public Works department will have vehicles for an up-close look. More information will be on our website and social media soon!



100% VOLUNTEERS

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

To learn more about ANY of UMT's 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.

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

3RD WEDNESDAY HOAGIE SALE!

Please call 610.395.8678 | Order 10 days prior to sale | \$7 each.

2ND SUNDAY FIRE TEAM BREAKFAST!

2nd Sunday of the month, 8 am till noon, November through May. For more information, please call 610.395.8678.

SANTA RUN 2024

HO HO! Santa Claus is coming to town in December to visit with the wonderful residents of Upper Macungie Township! He'll be hitching a ride with our local Fire Stations. Keep on the lookout for a list of streets Santa will be driving through as well as specific dates and times.



The end of 2023 and the beginning of 2024 kept the Fire Departments busy with reviewing final specifications and factory visits for 3 new pieces of apparatus received by Upper Macungie Township.



Trexlertown Fire Company received a new Utility truck on a Ford F550 chassis with a custom Knapheide aluminum utility body, housing first responder medical equipment, fire police equipment, and other various fire equipment for quick response.

Fogelsville Fire Company took delivery of a new Tanker on a Freightliner Chassis with a Pierce body, 3000 -gallon water tank, and 1500 gallon per minute pump.

Upper Macungie Township Station #56 took delivery of a new Rescue Engine on a Pierce Arrow XT chassis with a 750-gallon water tank and 2000 gallon per minute pump.



CERT is about "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" during an emergency. Lehigh County Emergency Management Agency recently hosted a CERT class in Upper Macungie Township at the Fogelsville Social Hall. 20 residents from Lehigh County completed the 16-hour CERT training, which was held over 7 weeks.

The next CERT training will be held in the Fall of 2024. For more information about Lehigh County CERT, contact Kevin McGowan at KevinMcGowan@ lehighcounty.org or 610-782-4600.

CERT is like an insurance policy...you hope you never need to use it but you don't want to get caught without it!!











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PICKLEBALL

LEHIGH VALLEY

At Pickleball Lehigh Valley, located at St. Luke's SportsPlex, we provide beginner pickleball enthusiasts and experienced pickleball athletes with a fun and welcoming environment to learn, play and enjoy pickleball at our 45+ court, state-of-the-art pickleball complex.



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Event Center









POLICE - COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS



THE MAGICAL WORLD

OF UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP

The Upper Macungie Township National Night Out is not just an annual event, but a unique campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. It's a day when our community comes together on the first Tuesday in August to create safer and more caring neighborhoods. This festive and interactive event brings residents, local businesses, and law enforcement officials together. With live music, a food truck festival, a car show, k9 demonstrations, police, fire, and EMS displays, games, free giveaways, and informational booths, it's a day designed to foster community and mutual trust. In past years, we've had the pleasure of sharing this unique experience with approximately 6,000 attendees.



The event is particularly significant because it provides a unique opportunity for residents to engage directly with law enforcement officers in a relaxed, informal environment. This interaction is empowering, helping to break down barriers, build trust, and create a shared sense of responsibility for community safety. Children and families can enjoy fun activities like face painting, balloon animals, bounce houses, photo opportunities with Anna, Elsa, Kristoff, Ariel, Spider-Man, and Tiana, and attractions. At the same time, adults can discuss concerns and suggestions with local officials.

















Unfortunately, this year's National Night Out had to be postponed because of the weather. We want to keep you informed that the event has been rescheduled to October 20th from 2 to 6 p.m. We hope to see you all there!! Please help us bring The Magic of Upper Macungie Township themes alive and wear your favorite Mickey Mouse ears or costume! Follow the Upper Macungie Township Police Department on Facebook for more information.

EMERGENCY	911
LEHIGH COUNTY (NON-EMERGENCY).	610.437.5252
UMTPD HEADQUARTERS	484.661.5911
LIMTPD TIP/TEXT LINE	484 504 9884



WITH CHIEF SITOSKI

Q. What is a typical day like while in the FBI National Academy?

A. A typical day at the NA is very structured and intense, blending academic coursework with physical and practical exercises. Some days, we also had guest lecturers. They were often FBI experts or other professionals in the field providing insights into current issues and trends in law enforcement. The program emphasizes leadership and collaboration, preparing participants to return to their agencies with new skills and perspectives.

What was the most challenging aspect at the FBI National Academy?

A. Overall, the academy presented a combination of physical, academic, and emotional challenges. Being away from family for ten weeks was emotionally challenging. Time management was also a challenge to ensure that all assignments, group projects, and readings were completed while maintaining and improving one's level of physical fitness.

Q. What would you say you were most proud of?

A. Successfully completing it! I am proud to have been selected to attend. They say less than 1% of law enforcement officers get the opportunity to participate. While there, the last physical fitness challenge is the "Yellow Brick Road." It is a 6.1-mile obstacle course through heavily wooded, rugged terrain with rope climbs, wall climbs, cargo nets, and mud pits.

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

for the Upper Macungie Township Police Department

The Upper Macungie Township Police Department is excited to announce that Chief Michael Sitoski, a member of an exclusive group of police officers, has graduated from the 289th session of the FBI National Academy. This achievement, attained by only a select few, is a testament to his dedication and the department's commitment to excellence in law enforcement.

Chief Sitoski's training at the FBI National Academy, renowned for its academic excellence, will undoubtedly benefit the Upper Macungie Township Police Department. His ten weeks of advanced training in communication, leadership, and fitness will enhance the department's professionalism and service to the community, instilling a sense of reassurance and confidence.

Chief Sitoski is one of 197 law enforcement officers who graduated from the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia, on March 15, 2024. The 289th session of the National Academy consisted of men and women from 47 states and the District of Columbia. The class included members of law enforcement agencies from 23 countries, four military organizations, and five federal civilian organizations.

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to the Upper Macungie Township Police Department for their unwavering support during Chief Sitoski's training. Congratulations, Chief Sitoski, on your remarkable journey and unwavering commitment to excellence!







School Bus Safety Tips

- Caregivers should take an active role in promoting school bus safety with children.
- Children should always be walked to and from the bus stop.
- Get to the school bus five minutes early so students don't have to run across the road to catch the bus.
- It's essential that children are supervised at the bus stop. Caregivers, your presence is crucial in ensuring the safety of the children during this time.
- When waiting for the bus, stay away from traffic.
 Line up at least five giant steps away from the curb or roadway to wait for the bus.
- When crossing the street, students should walk at least 10 feet in front of the bus so the school bus driver can see them.
- Children, remember, never cross the street behind the bus. This rule is to keep you safe and aware of your surroundings. Students should wait until the bus has stopped all traffic before stepping out on the roadway.



SAFETY TIPS

It's not a race!
Take your time and
walk from house to
house—don't run. If there
are crosswalks
and sidewalks,
use them!

If there are no sidewalks, walk to the far left of the roadway as possible. When vehicles approach, step off the roadway until the car passes.

Inspect
all treats for
tampering before
eating.

Trick-or-treat
is always more fun
(and safe) in groups
than alone. Walk in
groups and always
with an adult.

If you cannot
accompany them,
having the children carry a
cell phone lets them keep in
touch, and the phones
also contain a GPS chip
to help locate lost
children.

Keep a flashlight handy, and when you see vehicles approaching, use it to alert motorists of your presence.

Try any make up products on a small area of a child's arm several days before trick-or-treating to see if they have any reaction.

Choose a costume that is flame-resistant and allows for easy movement.

If you are not going with

vour children, know the

route they will take while

trick-or-treating and

have them check-in.

See a hazardous situation? Possibly a motorist who is driving recklessly? Contact Lehigh County Communications non-emergency police dispatch at 610-437-5252. Always use 911 in emergencies.

Instruct children
to never enter a
stranger's house or car
unless their parents
or other trusted
adults are with them
and say it's OK.

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Treating:

- Low Back Pain
- Neck Pain
- Sciatica
- Scoliosis
- Disc Pain
- Whiplash
- Joint Pain
- Headaches
- Fibromyalgia
- neadaches
- Auto Injuries
- Sports Injuries

- Chiropractic Adjustments
- Adjunctive PT Modalities
- Massage Therapy
- Guidance in Nutrition
- Guidance in Exercise
- Guidance in Other Lifestyle Choices

Services:

So - What do all of us really want?

We want to feel well, and be able to function well in life at our best. Chiropractic healthcare focuses on things natural and non intrusive. Yes, there are times when medicines and surgeries are necessary, but it makes sense to try to reduce these things as much as we are able. Most of us realize that in modern America, the health of our population is not getting better. It might be time to take a different strategy. Could it be a time for you to move more in the direction of things natural?

Ask Yourself:

Are things getting better? Or worse?
Do I have high energy? Or low?
Do I sleep well? And awake rested?
Do I have a good diet? Or could it be better?
Can I do the things I want to do?
Do I feel like my best self?

Call us to see if we might be able to help!

YOUR FIRST CONSULTATION IS COMPLEMENTARY to determine if Chiropractic Care is right for you.



Meet the Doctor - Daniel Crane, D.C.

Dr. Crane was born in Allentown and attended schools in the East Penn School District. His undergraduate work was at Ursinus College, Collegeville, PA, and chiropractic doctorate was at Palmer College of Chiropractic, Davenport, Iowa.

He has been in practice since 1970 and has done extensive post graduate study in several sub specialties such as radiology, accupuncture, nutrition, and neuromusculoskeletal rehabilitation. He is registered in Level III of the American Chiropractic Rehabilitation Board, and his clinic was the first in Pennsylvania to be a Nationally Certified Chiropractic Rehabilitation Facility. He is also one of few doctors in this area who are Certified in Instrument Adjusting using the Impulse Adjusting Instrument.

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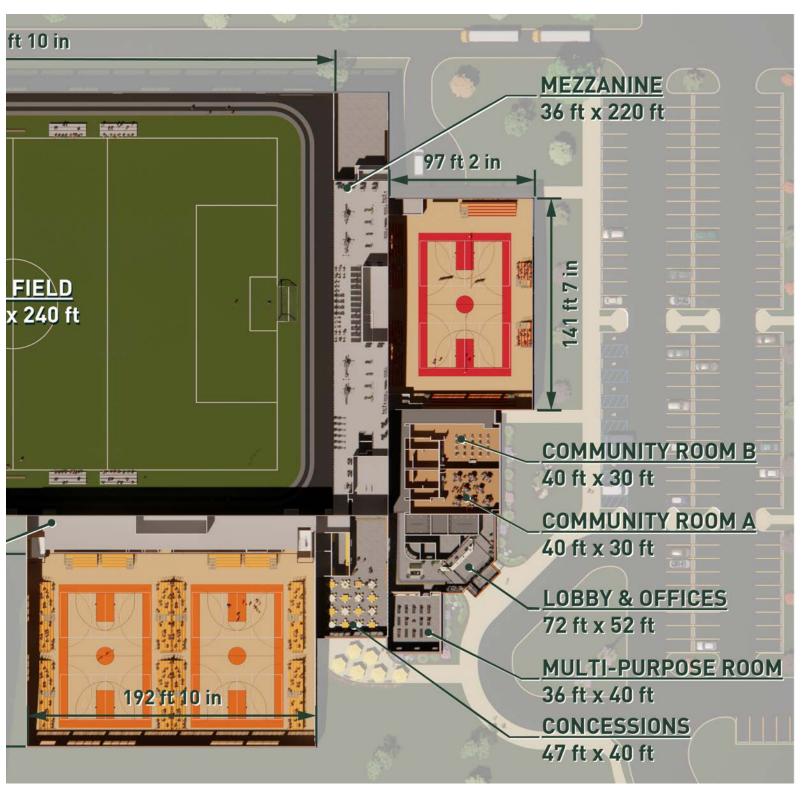






Community Lifestyle Center







2024 LEAF COLLECTION

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 pickup day for a specific street in any area.

Leaf Collection for 2024 will run from October 14th through December 6th during the hours of 7 am- 3 pm. We highly recommend residents put leaves out in the evenings, so they are ready to be picked up.

Make sure you put leaves out prior to the LAST PICK UP DAY Friday, December 6th.

See more information about Leaf Collection at www.uppermac.org/public-works/leaf-collection/

OCTOBER 14TH THROUGH DECEMBER 6TH

IT'S TIME TO GATHER

LEAVES FOR PICKUP!

DO

- Empty the contents of plastic bags or other containers into the gutter area to be picked up by mechanical means. Crews will NOT empty bags or containers.
- 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.
- Place the leaves along the EDGE of the road prior to the start of pickup at 7 am on Monday of each week.

DON'T

- . Don't place the leaves on the road or on private property.
- Don't place pieces of wood, steel, rocks or concrete on the leaves to hold them down.
 These objects will cause extensive damage to the leaf pickup units and put them out of service at a great expense of time and money to the Township and residents.
- Don't place branches, shrubbery, garbage, and building materials. These items will be left behind and it will be the responsibility of the resident for removal and disposal.

For questions regarding leaf collection, please contact the Public Works Department at 610-395-4892, ext. 140.



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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).



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

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

Day	Spring/Summer/Fall Hours April 1 – October 31	Winter Hours November 1 – March 31
Monday	7:00 am - 7:00 pm	7:00 am - 5:00 pm
Tuesday	3:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Closed
Wednesday	3:00 pm - 7:00 pm	7:00 am - 5:00 pm
Thursday	3:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Closed
Friday	7:00 am - 7:00 pm	7:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm	9:00 am - 5:00 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.

WASTE REMOVAL/RECYCLING GUIDELINES



REFUSE & RECYCLING PICKUP

MISSED PICKUPS OR SERVICE QUESTIONS?

Email uppermac@whitetaildisposal.com or call 610.936.9967. You must leave a message with your Name, Address, and Phone Number.



BULK ITEM PICKUP INSTRUCTIONS

Each resident is allowed **one** bulk item per week

(Size and Weight restrictions apply)—YOU MUST notify Whitetail by email or phone no later than noon prior to your scheduled pickup day.

2024 UTILITY BILLING RATES

- One invoice will be issued for Sewer and Refuse charges.
- Sewer Rates \$89.00 per quarter. Refuse Rates \$87.50 per quarter.
- Senior Citizen Sewer Rates \$89.00 per quarter. Refuse Rates \$82.50 per quarter.

CHARGES WILL BE BILLED QUARTERLY

- 1st quarter-approximate bill date 2/2024
- 2nd quarter-approximate bill date 5/2024
- 3rd quarter-approximate bill date 8/2024
- 4th quarter-approximate bill date 11/2024

Or pay online with NO SERVICE FEES at www.uppermac.org/departments/utility-bill-pay

A SEPARATE TRANSACTION IS REQUIRED FOR EACH UTILITY - MAKE SURE YOU ARE SELECTING THE CORRECT SEWER OR REFUSE TAB



SENIOR CITIZEN DISCOUNT

The Township offers a YEARLY discount for trash/recycling services to anyone over 65. You must be 65 years of age by Dec. 31st of the current year to be eligible for the discount the following year. 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).



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



WHITETAIL HOLIDAY PICK-UP SCHEDULE

NO PICK-UP for the following holidays:

Memorial Day - May 27th | Independence Day - July 4th Labor Day - September 2nd

ALL SERVICES FOR THESE HOLIDAY WEEKS DELAYED ONE DAY



ARE YOU A NEW RESIDENT?

New Residents must fill out a moving permit. You will receive a map showing your trash pickup zone along with your scheduled pickup day. 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.

What can you do to prevent stormwater pollution?

- 1. Remember: Only rain belongs in the drain!
- 2. Minimize runoff by not over-watering your lawn and garden.
- 3. Use lawn or garden chemical sparingly.
 - 4. Clean up pet waste.
 - 5. Make sure storm drains are not running in dry weather.
 - Install a rain barrel to capture roof runoff.
- 7. Do not drain your pool, spa, or fountain to a storm drain.



UMT SNOW REMOVAL **FAQS**

Q: When does snow removal begin?

A: The crews start spreading salt on the streets when a forecasted storm is on the way. The crews begin to plow the streets after 3 inches of snow has accumulated.



Q: When will my street be plowed?

A: Residential streets are usually plowed in this order: FIRST, arterial and collector roads; THEN, secondary roads and cul-de-sacs after main roads have been cleared within 18 hours after the storm ends. Of course, a blizzard could cause the time period to be longer. There may be more snow in one area than another in the cul-de-sacs after plowing due to the circular design of these streets.

Q: Should we move our cars from the street?

A: Yes. Keep vehicles off the street when possible until after plowing is completed. Parked cars can be both a hazard and hindrance to snow removal efforts.

Q: When should I clean my driveway and sidewalks?

A: Wait until the streets have been cleared, if possible, to avoid already cleaned driveways and sidewalks being covered with the plowed snow. DO NOT shovel snow from driveways into roadways. This practice is hazardous and illegal. The Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code provides for a maximum fine of \$300 for this violation. Property owners are responsible for the actions of anyone they hire for snow removal.



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Proud to be the first to bring Direct Primary Care and Blomdahl Medical Ear Piercing to the Lehigh Valley. The Blomdahl process features sterile, medical grade earring materials for greater healing ease and minimization of nickel allergy.

GHDFC is happy to offer this service to both our patients and the general public.



Recreational PROGRAMS 2024-25

- 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





DOGGIE WORKOUTS with Caitlin's Animal Training Services

Mondays & Wednesdays | 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm | Ricky Park
This class will challenge your pooch with fun, energetic games to get
them thinking and moving. The dog handler must be 18+ but the whole
family is welcome to attend and watch. Highly reactive dogs (excessive
barking) will not be a good fit for this program. VACCINE RECORDS REQUIRED



MIGHTY KICKS YOUTH SOCCER

Wednesdays | 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm | (class times vary by age)

Veterans Elementary School (Gymnasium)

Winter Session I: Jan 8th – Feb 12th | Winter Session II: Feb 19th – March 26th Mighty Kicks is the premier introductory soccer option for children ages 2–7-year-old. Each six-week session is designed to build motor skills, life skills, self-confidence, and basic soccer techniques.



LIL ATHLETICS SPORTS CLASSES

Thursdays | February 6th - 20th | Veterans Elementary School (Gymnasium) 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm (class times vary by age)

This multi-sport class will introduce a variety of sports to children 2-6 years old and will be taught by Lil Athletics. Lil Athletics uses age-appropriate equipment in a fun and positive environment. This three-week session is a great way to introduce your child to a variety of sports before buying expensive sports equipment!



INDOOR ZUMBA *New Instructor*

Mondays | 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm | Jaindl Elementary School (Gymnasium) Fall Session: Oct 7th - Nov 11th | Winter Session: Jan 6th - Feb 10th Spring Session: February 24th - March 31st

Move and groove with our upcoming Indoor Zumba program. These 6-week sessions will improve your cardio, muscle conditioning, balance, and flexibility. Our new instructor, Donna Barats, is so excited to bring her fun, upbeat choreography to UMT.



GENTLE YOGA

Thursdays | 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm | Veterans Elementary School (Cafeteria)
Fall Session: Oct 15th - Nov 19th | Winter Session: Jan 21st - Feb 25th
Unwind and relax in our upcoming indoor gentle yoga program. Instructor, Larissa Noto, will create a calm, peaceful environment and welcomes those of any skill level from new beginners to advanced yogis. Participants must bring their own mat.



COMMUNITY ART CLASSES

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm | Veterans Elementary School (Cafeteria)

- Lighted Holiday Globe Workshop: Thursday, December 12th
- Winter Gnomes Workshop: Thursday, January 30th
- Fleece Blanket Workshop: Thursday, February 27th

Join us for our upcoming community art classes with instructor, Carrie Gradin! These classes are great for children 7 years and older, teenagers, and adults!



SAFE SITTER (presented by the Nanny Loft)

9:00 am – 3:30 pm | Oct 14, Nov 26, Dec 2, Jan 20, March 31 Upper Macungie Township Municipal Building



A one-day course run by Safe Sitter Certified Instructors from The Nanny Loft. Safe Sitter prepares students in grades 6-9 to be safe when they're home alone, watching siblings, or babysitting. Students learn life-saving skills. CPR manikins are used to practice CPR! https://thenannyloft.org/safe-sitter-class for more information or to register.

Recreational PROGRAMS 2024-25



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FAMILY FUN WITH WILDLANDS CONSERVANCY (Pre-registration required)

Creepy Crawlies and Night Hike

Saturday, October 12th | 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm | Lone Lane Park
The shuffling, snorting, hooting sounds in the darkness truly aren't
anything to be afraid of. See nocturnal wildlife under the pavilion lights
and explore the Lone Lane trail for any creepy crawlies and footprints.

Hooty Hoot Hike

Saturday, November 16th | 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm | Lone Lane Park Hang out with one of Wildlands Conservancy's resident owls before going on a quest through the Lone Lane wooded path to try and locate wild owls. Participants will also investigate owl pellets and learn about their diets.

Fluffy Friends and S'mores

Friday, December 13th | 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm | Lone Lane Park A lineup of cute and fluffy animal friends will be making an appearance. We'll have a fire pit set up following the presentation for some fun and s'more making.

Footprint Tracking Workshop & Animal Presentation

Saturday, January 18th | 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm | Lone Lane Park Just like a fingerprint, every animal's footprint is unique. Come learn how to locate and identify the tracks of various animals with the Wildlands crew. They'll be bringing along some animal friends to help with this workshop.

Snowshoeing & Hot Chocolate

Saturday, February 15th | 11:00 am - 12:00 pm | Lone Lane Park
Join us for an Intro to Snowshoeing class and winter hike! If there is no snow, you will still have the opportunity to try on Snowshoes to get the feel of them in the grass.
Enjoy a cup of hot chocolate after your hike along the trail.

Paws, Claws, and Pizza

Friday, March 14th | 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm | Lone Lane Park Check out some of Wildland's most rambunctious animals under the pavilion. Vinny's Pizzeria will be serving up hot slices of cheese pizza to all who attend.

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MAD SCIENCE WINTER CAMP: NASA Academy of Future Space Explorers

Thursday, December 26th - Friday, December 27th

9:00 am - 12:00 pm | UMT Township Building (Public Meeting Room)

Set your future space explorers on a trajectory from our Earth's atmosphere to the outer reaches of our solar system! This hands-on specialty camp brings them closer to the stars, planets, comets, and more. They learn about living in space, getting away from gravity, looking for space phenomena, and they participate in a rocket launch! Camp is suitable for children aged 6-12 years old.

BUILT BY ME: WINTER ROBOTICS CAMPS

LEGO® Robotics and Coding - Science Adventure Workshop

Dec 26th | 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm | UMT Building (Public Meeting Room)

Using LEGO® Spike Essential Robotics Sets, this hands-on session will introduce students to the basics of coding and robotics while sparking their creativity. Working in pairs, children will engage in guided projects that explore the sciences. This workshop is the perfect opportunity for an inspiring and fun-filled STEM adventure!

LEGO® Robotics and Coding - Sports Adventure Workshop

Dec 27th | 1:00 pm - 4:00pm | UMT Building (Public Meeting Room)

Dive into the world of STEM by building and programming their own sports-themed robots! Using LEGO® Spike Essential Robotics Sets, students will work in pairs to construct models, attach sensors and motors, and then bring their creations to life through coding. This interactive experience will boost their confidence and deepen their understanding of STEM concepts.

Want to enroll in both camps? Select the "Mad Science + Built By Me Full Day Camp" option when registering to get a discounted rate! From 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, campers will be served cheese pizza (up to 2 slices each) and watch short films with the supervision of Upper Macungie staff members.



FREE Recreational PROGRAMS 2024-25



PARKLAND AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT SENIOR CLASS OFFERINGS FREE

A variety of classes will be offered this fall and winter to Senior Citizens, ages 55 and older, who reside in the Parkland School District. The classes are FREE of charge. These classes include Water Aerobics, Yoga, Chair Strength and Mobility, and Basic Technology Classes. For a full list of offerings and specific dates and times, please use the QR code provided or visit

www.parklandsd.org/seniors. Pre-registration is required.





ADULT BASKETBALL FREE

Mondays | October 7th - May 19th (Bye Weeks: 11/4, 12/9, 12/2, 12/23, 12/30, 2/7, 4/21, 5/5) ADULT VOLLEYBALL FREE

Tuesdays | October 8th - May 20th (Bye Weeks: 11/5, 12/10, 12/24, 12/31)

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm | Veterans Elementary School | All ability levels
The UMT Parks and Recreation Open Basketball and Volleyball programs are
designed to create a positive opportunity for men and women to participate in pickup games, socialize, and be active in the Winter months. Simply arrive at Veterans
Elementary School, sign in and agree to the program waiver, and have fun!



SELF DEFENSE CLASSES WITH LVMA FREE

Saturday, Nov 23rd & Saturday, March 15th | 11:00 am - 12:30 pm Lehigh Valley Martial Arts Trexlertown

Join us at our free upcoming Self Defense classes in partnership with Lehigh Valley Martial Arts. These introduction to self-defense classes are a great way to learn the basics of self-defense techniques.

ANTI-BULLYING & WOMEN'S SELF DEFENSE WORKSHOPS BY LEADING EDGE FREE



Child Anti-Bullying & Stranger Danger Workshop (Ages 5+)

Oct 16th | 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm | Leading Edge Martial Arts (Allentown)

Build confidence, discipline, a non-quitting spirit, respect for self and others, and focus on education while teaching them self-defense in a fun, pro-active environment. Please arrive by 6:15pm. Register at https://member-site.net/?FE--bbgbcX

Women's Self-Defense Workshop (Ages 10+)

Nov 13th | 7:45 pm - 9:15 pm | Leading Edge Martial Arts (Allentown) Learn useful tips to avoid potentially dangerous situations, how to use effective striking techniques, and how to perform a variety of hands-on self-defense moves. Please arrive by 7:30pm. Register at https://member-site.net/?FE--bbgbcg



HUNTER TRAPPER EDU CLASS FREE

Saturday, February 22nd | 8:30 am - 4:00 pm UMT Township Building (Public Meeting Room)

Hunter-Trapper Education Course in partnership with the Pennsylvania Game Commission.

The class is required of all PA hunters and is FREE to participate. www.register-ed.com/programs/pennsylvania



Just a reminder...

Registration starts in March for UMT Summer Camp 2025.



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Community EVENTS 2024-25



BARKTOBERFEST

11:00 am - 3:00 pm | Grange Park

A dog themed Fall Festival! The day will feature several contests including Best Costume and Most Tail Wags. There will be a wide array of vendors and food at the event. The local K-9 unit will be making an appearance to show off their incredible skills. Caitlin's Animal Training Services will provide a free demonstration of basic dog training strategies. Volunteers of local Animal Shelters will be walking around with adoptable dogs from their animal shelter, looking for a forever home. This event is FREE to attend and dogs are optional. If you do decide to bring your furry friend, please make sure to have them on a leash and are up to date on vaccinations. All dogs that attend must be friendly towards people and other dogs.



TRUNK OR TREAT TRAIL AND DESPICABLE ME 4 MOVIE IN THE PARK

5:30 pm - 9:00 pm | Lone Lane Park

Come show off your costume early this year and join us on the Trunk or Treat Trail! This community event will feature trick or treating along a kid friendly haunted trail. Pumpkin painting, craft stations, and more will make this event one you won't want to miss. Trick or treating will begin at 5:30 pm and the Movie in the Park 'Despicable Me 4' showing will play from approximately 7:00 pm-9:00 pm. The trick or treat line will remain open for the duration of the movie so everyone gets a chance to participate

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*If you are interested in becoming a Trick or Treat participant to hand out candy, please simply send us an email at recreation@uppermac.org and we can provide you with more information. We are accepting both decorated trunks AND 10'x10' tents along the wooded trail.



UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP TRICK OR TREAT

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm | Township Wide Rain Date Saturday October 26



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NOON YEARS EVE PARTY

10:00 am – 12:30 pm | Grange Park Join us for our family-friendly, daytime New Year's celebration. Packed with festivities for the young and young-at-heart alike, the afternoon will feature music, inflatable games, and MORE! See you there, and Happy New Year!



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WINTER FESTIVAL

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm | Grange Park

This event will focus on bringing you family friendly entertainment in the winter! Come enjoy live music, hot chocolate, rides, games and more!







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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 or scan gr code.





GET INVOLVED!

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 broadbased 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 recreation@uppermac.org or 610-395-4892.



SOCIAL MEDIA

Visit and 'like' Upper Macungie Township Parks and Recreation on Facebook and follow us @UMTParksandRec on Instagram to receive the most up to date information on programs and special events.







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 2025 sponsorship opportunities. To view a complete list of these sponsorship opportunities, please visit our website or contact us at recreation@ uppermac.org. Thank you in advance, we look forward to hearing from you!



PAVILION RENTALS

Are you looking to have an unforgettable birthday party, family function or company picnic? 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! Pavilion rentals for the 2025 season will open on January 2, 2025.

Thank You! Upcoming Public Meetings:

- Meeting #1 October 21, 2024, 7 PM
- Meeting #2 January 21, 2024, 7 PM
- Meeting #3 March 13, 2025, 7 PM
- Meeting #4 May 20, 2025, 7 PM

Location: Upper Macungie Township Building 8330 Schantz Road, Breinigsville, PA 18031



For more information, please contact us at:

Simone Collins Landscape Architecture:

Anita Nardone: anardone@simonecollins.com 610.239.7601 | www.simonecollins.com

Upper Macungie Township

Ryan Griffiths: rgriffiths@uppermac.org 610.395.4892 x156 | www.uppermac.org

2024 COMMUNITY SPONSORS

Did you or someone you know enjoy a Movie in the Park, Concert in the Park, our new SpringFling event, Barktoberfest, our affordable Summer Camp, a Fitness program in the park or any other program or event we offered this year?

If so, please take a moment to recognize the following organizations who sponsored our 2024 Park and Recreation Department! It is because of this community support that we can offer affordable and free community programs and events. Our most sincere THANK YOU goes out to:

VISIONARY SPONSORS







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For more information on how your organization or family can get involved and help support the Park and Recreation Department, please reach out to us at recreation@uppermac.org or give us a call at 610-395-4892 ext. 156.

Stronger Together

Leaders lead, and on Thursday, Aug. 1, 2024, Jefferson and Lehigh Valley Health Network came together to move health care forward like our organizations have been doing for a combined **325 years.**



Joseph G.
Cacchione, MD
Chief Executive Officer,
Jefferson



Brian A.
Nester, DO, MBA
Executive Vice
President and Chief
Operating Officer,
Jefferson
President, LVHN

Our combined health system is now one of the top 15 not-for-profit health systems in the country, creating a network of care that will positively impact generations to come. We are stronger together.

What does this mean for you? Together, we will bring an even stronger commitment to the Lehigh Valley and northeastern Pennsylvania, growing programs and services close to home. You have our word.

Together, we will give you access to the highest quality care through our network of 32 hospitals and more than 700 sites of care. Together, our expanded reach ensures you have access to a broader network of nationally ranked specialists who will collaborate with each other to provide innovative technology and treatments close to where you live, work and play. Together, we will conduct groundbreaking research and clinical trials that result in better outcomes for you.

We were two organizations with complementary areas of focus, a shared vision and aligned organizational approaches. Now, with the combined strength of our 65,000 dedicated professionals and our shared passion for exceptional service, we can do even more to improve lives.

Together, we will be driven to offer new education and professional development opportunities to our colleagues and recruit the best and brightest clinicians to provide the highest quality care. We'll tackle the most persistent challenges we face, such as health equity and behavioral health, which impacts all our communities.

The future of healthcare is rapidly evolving. Together, we are focused on you as we forge ahead and shape the future of care in our region. Our commitment to you is unwavering. Together, we will increase access and expand the reach of our research, education and expertise.

We are stronger and better together for you.







Office Hours & Holiday Closings



UPPER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

8330 Schantz Road | Breinigsville, PA 18031 Phone: 610-395-4892 | Fax: 610-395-9355 General Email: Frontdesk@uppermac.org

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

HOURS OF OPERATION:

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

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 MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

November 28th & 29th.... Thanksgiving Holiday December 24th & 25th..... Christmas Holiday

January 1st..... New Year's Day 2025

February 17th..... President's Day

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

Michael Faulkner 610-398-1167

State Dog Enforcement

Lisa Cronk 484-223-9107

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

Street Lights Repair & Maintenance

PPL Utilities 800-342-5775

Traffic Lights Repair & Maintenance

UMT Public Works 610-395-4892

State Roads PennDOT 610-798-4282

Railroad Signals Norfolk Southern R.R. 877-201-4265

Youth Organizations

South Parkland Youth Association | www.spya.org Warehouse 610-395-9878 Breinigsville VFW Youth Activities 610-391-0658

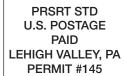
Voter Registration 610-782-3194

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING RATES

Ad Size	One Issue	Two Issues
Business Card	\$150.00	\$245.00
Quarter Page	\$300.00	\$580.00
Half Page	\$600.00	\$1,150.00
Whole Page	\$1,200.00	\$2,300.00
Business Profile - full page with article, pictures, logo	\$1,500.00	\$2,900.00

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Contact Info & Artwork Submission: recreation@uppermac.org 610.395.4892 x130 Payment Information: Card or check only. NO CASH. Checks can be made out to Upper Macungie Township.





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