

Summer 2021

# Limerick Township

Newsletter

In  
Celebration  
of  
**100 +**  
Years  
of Volunteer  
Fire Services



Limerick  
Chosen  
to Host  
State  
Firemen's  
Convention



FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION  
STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

## Message from the Chairman



**Kara Shuler**  
**Chairman**

With COVID numbers on a steady decline, Limerick Township continues our return to pre-pandemic levels of service, while still maintaining safety precautions. The Township, especially the Parks & Recreation Department, is excited that programs and events cancelled last year are returning, including Limerick's popular Shamrock Summer Camps and flag football league, along with the addition of many new specialty camp programs for kids and seniors.

We are pleased to announce the Spring-Ford Chamber of Commerce's *Limerick Community Day* will return on Saturday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, as well as, the Spring-Ford Rotary's *Limerick Uncorked Festival*, which will take place on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>; both events are being hosted by the Township at the Community Park, home of the Manderach Playground.

Even though declining, the COVID-19 crisis continues to impact many in our community, including our small businesses. Small business continues to be an important backbone of this community and in addition to providing jobs, goods, and services to our residents, they sponsor youth sport leagues, donate to local charities, and contribute to the vitality of this community. Their success should be our concern and the best way to show your support is to purchase locally and invest your shopping dollars with our Mom-and-Pop businesses.

Since so many of our community events and Parks & Recreation programs take place in our public parks, the Board continues to work to strengthen the growing network of Township parks, open space, and trail systems. The first step in this effort will be the approval of the 2021 Comprehensive Open Space Plan, anticipated to take place this summer. Once adopted, this new Plan will provide updated goals and objectives for the preservation of Limerick's natural resources, the expansion of park and open space, and options to enhance the Township's growing trail system. The Plan will be a proactive step to offset the growing impact of development and to maintain the ideals and vitality of this wonderful Limerick community.

The Township is proud that Limerick Fire Department will be the host for the Annual Firemen's Association of the State of Pennsylvania's 2021 Convention & Parade, which kicks off on Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. The event will bring fire departments from across the state to Limerick for several days of training and educational seminars. The convention concludes with a not-to-be-missed parade along Ridge Pike on Saturday, the 25<sup>th</sup>. Details of the event can be found on page 4. With 100+ years of volunteer fire service within Limerick Township, this convention and parade will celebrate the public safety and protective services our current volunteers, and all those who served before them, have offered to this community. We hope you will come out and join us to celebrate these volunteers!

On behalf of the entire Board of Supervisors, we wish you a safe, happy and enjoyable summer season!

Kara Shuler





## WE HONOR OUR DEDICATED VOLUNTEER FIRST RESPONDERS

Limerick Township, and all who call it home, are fortunate to have so many fellow neighbors answer the call to become volunteer first responders, including firefighters, who are celebrating over 100 years of organized fire services to our community. Some follow generations of family members in this honorable service to the community, while others have responded to their own sense of duty to serve. Our gratitude is unmeasurable to each and every one of them. Knowing that, if we need their help they will be there for us, gives us great comfort.

We recognize the hours spent training alongside their fellow members, to be sure they remain safe while saving lives and property.



Members are prepared to answer the call of duty at all hours for fire, vehicle, and water rescue services.



**A message from Thomas Walters, President,  
Limerick Fire Department**

*The Limerick Fire Department thanks the Township for their ongoing support in making sure the volunteers are fully equipped with modern gear, facilities, and apparatus so we can continue to provide a high-level of life-saving service to the entire Limerick Community.*

*This ongoing support, along with the recent merger of the Limerick and Linfield Fire Companies, has strengthened volunteerism, as the Limerick Fire Department now stands at over 300 members, with over 80 responding to calls for service.*

We suggest that you take a moment to visit the Limerick Fire Department website at [www.LFD51.org](http://www.LFD51.org) and view their history on the *About Us* page and also get to know some of the volunteers on their *Members* page.

The Board of Supervisors and the entire Limerick Staff give thanks to all our first responders and it is our hope that everyone comes out and lines the parade route to honor them when the Pennsylvania State Firemen's Parade comes through the Limerick Village on September 25<sup>th</sup>.



## FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

hosted by Limerick Fire Department

### Convention:

September  
22<sup>nd</sup> — 25<sup>th</sup>

### Parade:

Saturday  
9/25/21

Rain or  
Shine!

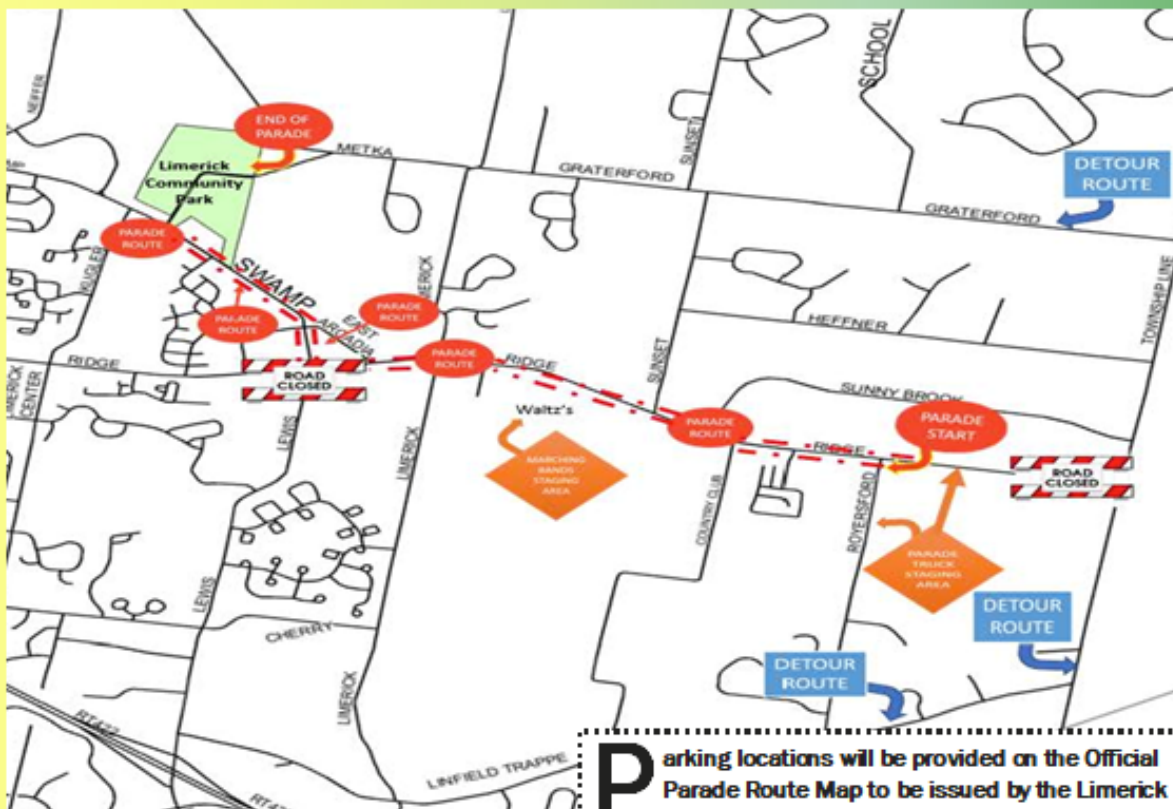
The Limerick Fire Department is honored to be chosen to host the Annual Firemen's Association of the State of Pennsylvania Convention & Parade in honor of over 100 years of volunteer fire services in the Township.

There will be many opportunities for our residents and businesses to put their best foot forward and shine while the spotlight is on our community.

Please be sure to mark your calendar and line the parade route to show your support for Pennsylvania's (especially the Township's!) volunteer firefighters, as you view a very memorable parade, which is expected to include over 200 pieces of fire apparatus, several marching units, and (COVID-pending) the World-Famous Budweiser Clydesdales.

Souvenirs commemorating the convention, food and drink will be available for purchase before and after the parade, as well as, at both fire stations in Limerick and Linfield in the time leading up to the parade.

For more information, please visit the Limerick Fire Department website at [www.LFD51.org](http://www.LFD51.org) & click on the convention banner at the top of the Home Page. Check back often, as more detailed information on road closures & parking will be available as the event gets nearer. Questions can be emailed to: [FASP2021@LFD51.ORG](mailto:FASP2021@LFD51.ORG)



Preliminary  
Parade  
Route  
&  
Road  
Closure  
Map



# UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

## Opening of Limerick Fire Department's NEW Linfield Fire Station



Stay Tuned for More Information

## Limerick Community Day

August 14, 2021



## LIMERICK UNCORKED

SPIRITS, FOOD & FUN

Presented by the **Rotary**  
Club of Spring-Ford

Hosted by Limerick Township

Information & Tickets available at  
[www.LimerickUncorked.com](http://www.LimerickUncorked.com)

# October 2, 2021

Limerick Community Park

# PARKS & RECREATION

Community-Oriented Programs for All Age Groups

For detailed information on all Limerick Township Parks & Rec Events, Camps, Programs, and Discount Tickets — please stop by the Township Office or visit the Township website at: [www.LimerickPA.org](http://www.LimerickPA.org)

## Youth Specialty Camps

Full & 1/2 Day Options Available

Science Explorers	July 12 - 16
Cartooning	July 13
Mad Science	July 19 - 23
Cheer & Dance Camp	July 19 - 23
Flag Football Camp	July 19 - 23
Science Explorers	July 26 - 30
Multi Media Art Camp	July 26 - 30
Chess Camp	August 2 - 6
Photography Camp	August 9 - 13
Science Explorers	August 9 - 13
Theatre Camp	August 16 - 20
Basketball Camp	August 16 - 20
Cartooning	August 24

## Fall Flag Football League

September 11 -  
November 13



## Adult Programs

**Picnic Paint and**

55+  
Pre-Registration Required

DATE: JUNE 28TH  
COST: \$10.00 Per Person  
TIME: 11-1PM

**WALKING**

**55+ CLUB**

FRIDAYS - SEPTEMBER 10, 17,  
24, OCTOBER 1, 8, 15  
STARTS AT 10AM  
MEET AT THE MAIN PAVILION @  
LIMERICK COMMUNITY PARK

## BOARD GAMES

TIME: 9:00 - 11:00 AM

DATES: JULY 8, AUG 26,  
SEPT 9, OCT 5

## COFFEE BREAK!

FREE informational sessions, breakfast, and coffee

## Events for EVERYONE

### Movies in the Park!

June 18, July 16, & Aug. 20



**Concerts  
in the Park**

June 17  
July 15  
August 19  
Sept. 16







## Limerick Township Welcomes 3 New Employees

### **Ashley Kukucka** joined the **Parks & Recreation Department** full-time in **February**

For many kids and parents, Ashley Kukucka is a familiar face at the Township's Summer Shamrock Camps and Parents Night Out events, as she has worked with the Township on a seasonal, part-time basis for the past 10 years. Ashley has a background in Elementary Education.

Joining the Township's Parks & Recreation team full-time will give Ashley the opportunity to continue working with children, while allowing her to work closer with residents in other age groups, too.

In her free time, and in any weather, Ashley enjoys time outdoors with her growing family.



### **Limerick Township Police Department welcomed**

### **Mike Sharkey** in mid-April

After recently retiring after 25 years as a Police Officer, Mike comes to Limerick Township with invaluable experience, a general overview of the criminal justice system, and hands-on knowledge of the Department's computer programs.

Having enjoyed working for a municipality, similar in size to Limerick, Mike decided his experience would make a perfect fit at Limerick to fill a vacancy on the administrative side of our Police Department.

Mike stated, "When there is a lot of free time, traveling would be at the top of my list. If my free time is limited, a family pool and barbecue day is always great".

### **Alexander Leal** joined the **Emergency Services Department** in late April

Alex's prior experience at Middletown Township as a part-time Community Relations/Digital Media Specialist motivated him to explore work in a municipal government setting.

Working in the Emergency Services Department appealed to Alex, as it would offer him the opportunity to help his Township, where he resides, run smoothly, as well as, assist the local fire department.

In his free time, Alex is a PC gamer and also loves videography, helping friends and family capturing their important moments in video. You may also find Alex flying a drone overhead.



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**Limerick, PA 19468**

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**2021 Limerick Township Board of Supervisors** *(Pictured from Left to Right above)*

Michael J. McCloskey, III - Vice Chair, Thomas J. Neafcy, Jr., Kara Shuler - Chair, Patrick Morrone, Kenneth W. Sperring, Jr.

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**Monthly Public Meetings held at the Township Building:**

Please check our website for updated information and agendas

**Board of Supervisors**

*1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month*  
*7:00 P.M.*

**Planning Commission**

*4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month*  
*7:00 P.M.*

**Zoning Hearing Board**

*4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month*  
*6:30 P.M.*