

Limerick T[♣]TOWNSHIP

2023 SPRING NEWSLETTER

volunteerism

(vol-uhn-teer-iz-uhm)

Noun

- the practice of volunteering one's time or talents for charitable, educational, or other worthwhile activities, especially in one's community.

- See page 6 for more information on how you can make a difference in Limerick Township.

Find the hidden shamrock! (*This is the exact size & color you are looking for... ♣*).
See the back page for more information. Have fun in your search!

Message from the Chairman



Kenneth W. Sperring, Jr.
Chairman

Welcome, Spring!

In 2026, Limerick will celebrate the 300th “Spring” season of our Township community and planning is underway for this exciting event. As we prepare for Limerick’s 300th birthday celebration, planning for the current and future needs of the community remains a priority. To answer the call for more parks and recreational space, an update and expansion of the award-winning Limerick Community Park is expected to begin soon. A reconstruction of the 25-year-old wooden Manderach Playground, with modern materials that will incorporate accessibility standards, is also anticipated to begin by the end of 2023. Construction costs for these projects will be offset with grant funding and reserve investment proceeds; therefore, the use of Limerick tax dollars is not required. The Township

has successfully utilized this funding strategy for other recent long-range capital projects, such as the newly completed 2-mile trail along the PECO utility line between Limerick Center Road and Royersford Road; \$1,762,603 was received from several grant programs which enabled the Township to construct this wonderful recreational amenity without the use of tax dollars.

Over the past 15 years, the Township has obtained approximately \$14 million in grant funding for important roadway improvements, the expansion of our trail network, and Master Plan Studies (which further our success in getting future grant funding). Utilization of grants, along with other positive business and operational strategies, has helped keep Limerick’s real estate tax rates below the average of all other 62 Montgomery County municipalities.

This newsletter also includes updated information about the Township’s expanding support of Emergency Medical Service (EMS) agencies that serve within Limerick Township. All EMS organizations are strained due to dwindling insurance reimbursements, and the Board has pledged additional financial support to ensure our residents continue to receive high-level emergency medical services. We will continue to work with our state and federal elected officials so the burden of EMS services is not placed solely on local communities. It is important that all levels of government, along with insurance and healthcare organizations, work together on sustainable financial support to ensure local EMS organizations can continue to serve their communities with proper resources and highly trained personnel.

The Township remains a desired location for many who wish to move here to raise a family and experience the wonderful community amenities that has drawn so many to Limerick in the past. With your support, the success we will achieve today will benefit current residents, and also ensure future “Spring” seasons are as prosperous for those who will someday call Limerick their home.

- Ken





As noted in our previous newsletter, Harleysville Area EMS and Trappe Fire Company Ambulance have merged in order to provide improved regionalized coverage. They are now operating under the name, Freedom Valley Medical Rescue (FVMR).



With the creation of this new EMS organization, FVMR has reached out to all the municipalities they serve in order to establish a collaborative relationship. This will insure the stability needed to carry out their mission in providing the highest quality, pre-hospital basic and advanced life-support services to the communities they serve.

Per Pennsylvania State Law, Section 1553, **Limerick Township, along with all other local municipalities, are mandated to ensure fire & emergency medical services are provided within the township. This includes providing financial assistance for these services.** However, **no** State or Federal funding has been provided to support local municipalities with this mandate.

Financial assistance to all EMS providers is becoming more vital to these organizations as insurance reimbursements continue to decline. Therefore, the Board of Supervisors has agreed to a higher-level contribution to all the EMS providers who serve the Limerick community, such as FVMR, who provides the majority of service to our community. To ensure Limerick has a voice in the operation of this new EMS organization, we are pleased to announce Limerick Township Supervisor Kara Shuler's appointment to the new FVMR Board of Directors.

As a reminder, with the increased Township EMS contribution, **Limerick residents within the FVMR coverage area will not be solicited for an annual subscription; FVMR will recognize all Limerick Township residents within their coverage area as subscribing members and will not bill for the balance of ambulance service charges not covered by an insurance company.**

This is a **\$90.00 annual savings for all households** who previously subscribed to Harleysville Area EMS and Trappe Fire Company Ambulance's annual subscription drive! **Limerick is working with other local EMS agencies who serve the Township, to ensure this benefit is provided equally to all residents.** Look to future newsletters and social media posts from the Township as these efforts continue to secure the stability of these vital service providers within our community.



New FVMR Board of Director
Township Supervisor, Kara Shuler

Spring is in the air!

Ways to help the planet everyday...

- ♦ *Say "No" to plastic water bottles.*
- ♦ *Replace light bulbs with LEDs or CFLs.*
- ♦ *Bring your own bags when you shop.*
- ♦ *Turn off electronics when not in use.*
- ♦ *Carpool or use public transportation.*
- ♦ *Plant native plants in your yard.*
- ♦ *Start a vegetable garden.*
- ♦ *Clean up trash in your neighborhood.*
- ♦ *Build a birdhouse.*

Earth Day
Saturday
April 22nd



Join the world's largest treasure hunt...Geocaching!



Geocaching is an outdoor recreational activity, in which participants use a Global Positioning System receiver, mobile device, or other navigational techniques to hide and seek containers, called "geocaches" or

"caches", at specific locations marked by coordinates all over the world. (There are dozens right here in Limerick Township!)

Enjoy the outdoors and find some today!

www.geocaching.com

Please follow the most basic rule of geocaching:
Leave No Trace during your hunt.

Gardening as if the World depends on it.

———— (Because it does) ————

1. **Plant more of everything.**

Plant diverse species, densely, in layers from groundcovers to trees. Plants are the essential foundation of all ecosystems.

2. **Think native.**

Many birds, insects and animals depend on the native plants they are adapted to.

3. **Don't be too tidy.**

Flower seed heads provide food for birds in the winter.

4. **Use water wisely.**

Keep on site where possible and provide water for wildlife.

5. **Don't use insecticides.**

Keep herbicides to a minimum. A healthy, varied ecosystem is resilient against most insect pests without interference.

6. **Accept the imperfect.**

Gardening is great for your mental and physical health, as well as the planet, so just do it and don't stress over the details.

Local resources for conservation and recycling



The Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy (PWC) is dedicated to serving the people and communities of the Perkiomen Watershed by conserving and protecting land and water resources through commitment and leadership in environmental education, watershed stewardship, and conservation programs.

The PWC has many programs and learning opportunities for all ages that engage and build awareness about the importance of the Perkiomen Creek and surrounding areas.

Volunteers are at the heart of the PWC and throughout the Perkiomen Watershed.

If you are interested in learning more about local environmental and conservation volunteer opportunities, contact the PWC today!



**1 Skippack Pike
Schwenksville, PA 19473
610-287-9383**

www.perkiomenwatershed.org



HETRICK GARDENS

YARD WASTE RECYCLING FACILITY

**2620 Swamp Pike
Pottstown, PA 19464**

(610) 327-9066

www.hetrickgardens.com



Yard waste accepted:

*(at **no charge** for Limerick Township residents
and **ONLY** during designated times)*

**Leaves, Brush, Tree Limbs,
Stumps (12" diameter max), Lawn Clippings,
Christmas Trees, Fire Wood.**

Call for more information.

Volunteers - We couldn't do it without you!

*T*hroughout the years, we as a Township have been blessed with a kind and contributing community.

Our volunteers have dedicated their time, skills and experience for the betterment of others, and in turn, received rewards themselves.

Never doubt that a small group of *thoughtful, committed citizens* can *change the world*.
Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.

—Margaret Mead

Volunteering is an important and easy way to meet new people, strengthen ties to your community, and broaden your support network. Doing good for others and the community helps to create a natural sense of accomplishment.

Led by Limerick Volunteers:

Zoning Hearing Board

Community Day

Parks & Rec. Committee

Act 209 Committee

Planning Commission

Open Space Committee

Limerick Uncorked

Tricentennial Committee

In Limerick, the key to our township's success, will always be linked to our volunteers. Please contact the Township office at 610-496-6432 for volunteer opportunities.

Thank you!

For detailed information on all Limerick Township Parks & Recreation events, programs, camps and more, please visit the Township website at:

www.LimerickPA.org/155/-Recreation

SUMMER CAMPS

Register Today!



youth programs

March 28th - PreSchool program
April 21st - PopUp Play day camp
April 18th - PreSchool program
May 6th - Mad Science Program
May 16th - PopUp Play day camp

April 1st - Breakfast with the Bunny

April 6th - Flash Light Egg Hunt

April 1st-6th - Easter Egg-Stravaganza Pick-Up

YARD SALE

April 29th



Scan this code with your phone's camera to quickly locate where to register for an upcoming event.

Summer Concert Series

May 11th June 29th July 27th August 31st



Movies

June 9th

July 21st

August 4th

SENIOR EXPO 2023

Date: April 12, 2023

Location: Copperfield Inn at Lakeside

Time: 10:00am-12:00pm

Active Adults

April 4 - Gift Card Bingo

April 13 - Recipe Club

May 2 - Taco Social

May 9- Healthy Snack Class

May 31- Ice Cream Social

Limerick Township

646 West Ridge Pike
Limerick, PA 19468

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*If you find the hidden shamrock,
send us an email by **3/31/23**.*

*You will be entered into a
drawing for a gift card!*

**Please send us your name
and location of the shamrock to:**
contest@limerickpa.org

*Winner will be announced
in the next newsletter
and on our Facebook page.*

**Congratulations to David Whiteman
for finding the shamrock in our
Winter Newsletter!**

*(Its location was on: Page 5,
bottom left, at base of tree and above
the small dog.)*



2022 Limerick Township Board of Supervisors

(From left to right):

Patrick M. Morroney,
Kenneth W. Sperring, Jr. (Chair),
Kara Shuler,
Michael J. McCloskey, III (Vice-Chair),
and Linda Irwin

Monthly Public Meetings are held at:

The Limerick Township
Municipal Building
646 West Ridge Pike
Limerick, PA 19468
(610) 495-6432
www.Limerickpa.org

Board of Supervisors

1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month
7:00pm

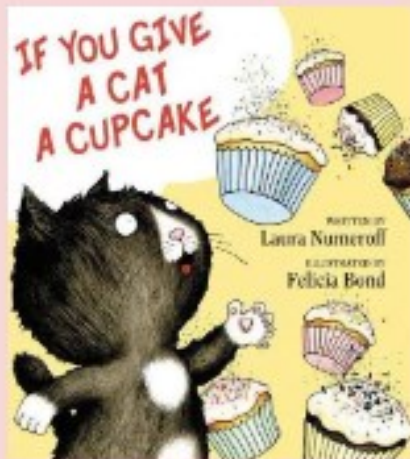
Planning Commission

2nd Thursday of each month
7:00pm

Zoning Hearing Board

4th Wednesday of each month
6:30pm

preschool program



\$5.00
per child

March 28th

10:00AM

2-5 years old

Limerick Township Building



Activity includes:
Story Time
Snack
Craft

Pre-Registration is required
Parents must stay during event



LIMERICK TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION

EASTER EGG EXTRAVAGANZA

**PURCHASE PRE-FILLED EASTER EGGS
TO SCATTER THROUGH OUT YOUR
YARD WITH A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM
THE EASTER BUNNY!**

**2 DOZEN EGGS
\$25.00**

**ADDITIONAL
DOZEN EGGS
\$10.00 EA**

**DEADLINE TO ORDER:
MARCH 30TH**

**PICK UP DATES
APRIL 3RD -
APRIL 6TH
7:30 AM - 4:00 PM**

**PRE-REGISTER AT:
LIMERICKPA.ORG**

L I M E R I C K T O W N S H I P
P A R K S & R E C R E A T I O N



Coffee Talk

FREE information sessions, breakfast, and coffee
Time: 9:00AM-10:00AM

March 22, 2023 - David Siegler from Dignity Memorial

April 26, 2023 - Beth Hiriak - Options of Care -
Planning for Your Future Healthcare Needs

May 24, 2023 - Limerick Police - Get to Know Your K9s

June 28, 2023 - Dan Kerr - Limerick Township Manager

July 26, 2023 - Dr. Jordan from Centre for Healing Arts

August 23, 2023 - Limerick Township Fire Marshals

September 27, 2023 - Limerick Police - Cyber Security

October 25, 2023 - Marcy Engleman from John James
Audubon Center

All topics are subject to change. Please call the Township
to register. 610-495-6432

Breakfast With the Easter Bunny



\$15 ADULTS
\$12 CHILDREN & SENIORS
2 & UNDER FREE

Includes: All You Can Eat
Pancakes, Sausage, Pastries,
Juice, or Coffee.

ADVANCED PURCHASE AVAILABLE @LIMERICKPA.ORG



Limerick Township
Parks & Recreation
Saturday, April 1st
8:30am to 9:30am Seating
10:00am to 11:00am Seating
Limerick Fire Station
390 West Ridge Pike



BRING A \$5
DOLLAR GIFT
CARD TO
PLAY!

DABBERS AND
EXTRA CARDS
FOR SALE!

GAMES - GIVEAWAYS - FUN
LIMERICK TOWNSHIP BUILDING

646 W. RIDGE PIKE LIMERICK, PA 19468

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED
CALL ASHLEY @ 610-495-6432

Limerick Township Parks & Recreation Presents

FLASHLIGHT EASTER EGG HUNT

Thursday, April 6, 2023
6:00 pm

Bring your flashlight and basket to
this "egg-citing" event!

- Egg Hunt (begins at 6:15pm)
- Games
- Hot Dogs
- Drinks

\$20 / child

Free admission for adults

Must register by April 3rd

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Age 8-12
SPACE IS LIMITED
REGISTER EARLY!!



RECIPE CLUB

INGREDIENTS:

Thursday, April 13th

10:00AM

Limerick Township Building

soft & chewy!



PROCEDURE:

Bring your favorite dessert to share.

Bring 1 copy of your recipe.

We will be tasting and sharing our favorite desserts!

Pre-registration is required. Call Ashley to register.
610-495-6432



Limerick Township
Parks & Recreation



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

2023 MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA RESIDENTIAL EVENTS

By Appointment Only. Preregistration is Required.

Register at www.MontcoPARecycles.org

DATES:

Saturday, April 29

Boyetown Middle School East
2020 Big Road, Gilbertsville

Saturday, May 6

Oak Ridge Elementary School
465 Moyer Rd, Harleysville

Saturday, May 20

Temple University–Ambler Campus
Enter at 1431 E. Butler Pike, Ambler

Saturday, June 17

Norristown Area High School
1900 Eagle Drive, Norristown

Saturday, June 24

Abington Middle School
Enter at 2056 Susquehanna Road, Abington

Saturday, September 23

Spring-Ford 9th Grade Center
400 South Lewis Road, Royersford

SUNDAY, October 22

Lower Merion Transfer Station
1300 N. Woodbine Avenue, Penn Valley

Free residential collection events are held outdoors. There are no permanent drop off locations, only these collection events. Montco residents may also attend any Household Hazardous Waste event held by Bucks, Chester, Delaware, or Philadelphia Counties.

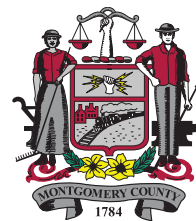
Please do not contact the host sites, as they are not affiliated with the events.

In case of severe weather, call 610.278.3618, option 6 for event status.

Contact us at:

Recycling@MontgomeryCountyPA.gov

610.278.3618



Follow us at [MontgomeryCountyRecycling](https://www.facebook.com/MontgomeryCountyRecycling)

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Kenneth E. Lawrence, Jr., *Chair* • Jamila H. Winder, *Vice Chair* • Joseph C. Gale, *Commissioner*

ACCEPTABLE HOUSEHOLD MATERIALS

PAINT PRODUCTS	OUTDOOR PRODUCTS	AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS	HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS	HOUSEHOLD OTHER
Turpentine	Swimming Pool Chemicals	Grease & Rust Solvents	Drain Openers	Acids, Caustics, Solvents
Paint Thinners	Weed Killers	Fuel Additives	Rug Cleaners	Flammables
Strippers & Removers	Septic Tank Degreasers	Carburetor Cleaners	Wood & Metal Cleaners	Oxidizers, Reactives
Oil-Based Paints	Asphalt Sealers	Transmission/Brake Fluid	Mothballs/Flakes	Lead
Stains, Varnish	Caulking Compounds	Antifreeze	Adhesives/Solvents	Aerosols
Shellac	Joint Compound	Car(lead-acid), Truck, Motorcycle, Marine, Batteries	Rechargeable Batteries, Lithium, Ni-Cad, Button, Lead Acid	Mercury (Thermostats & Thermometers)
Other Solvent-Based Paint Products	Roof Cements	Gas, Oil, Gas Oil Mixture	Spot Removers, Dry Cleaning Fluid	Fluorescent Tubes and CFLs
Wallpaper Cement	MINI Propane Tanks, No BBQ Tanks	Road Flares, No Marine Flares	Fire Extinguishers	Ballast (must be removed from light fixture)
Spray Paint	Pesticide		Kerosene	Electric Oil-filled Heaters

UNACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

Explosives & Ammunition	Electronics/Televisions	Asbestos	Appliances/White Goods
Infectious or Medical Waste, Prescription Drugs	BBQ-Sized Propane Tanks (leave at local exchange sites)	Radioactive Waste	Freon/Refrigerants
Tires	Helium Tanks	Unidentified Waste	25- or 50-Gallon Drums
Latex Paint* (Water-Based)	Gas Cylinders	Alkaline Batteries (Trash)	Smoke Detectors

* Take off lid, dry out paint, discard can without lid; or pour paint into plastic bag with absorbent material (clay based kitty litter, saw dust, rags) place bag and can without lid, in trash. Paint hardener can also be purchased at hardware stores.

DROP OFF GUIDELINES

- Montgomery County events are following state guidelines and public health restrictions.
- Leave items at home that are not for the event so that they are not removed accidentally.
- If you need your gas can or container returned, please tape a note to it stating that you want to keep it.
- You may arrive any time within your registered appointment window.
- Please print out your ticket or write your name and appointment time on a piece of paper.
- If you cannot attend the event, please cancel your appointment through your Eventbrite ticket or by emailing Recycling@MontgomeryCountyPA.gov, as others may be waiting for an opening.
- NO TVs, electronics, or appliances will be accepted.
- Event workers will unload your materials so please remain in your vehicle.
- BUSINESSES AND CONTRACTORS WILL BE TURNED AWAY, no commercial/industrial waste accepted.
- Bring all substances in original containers with labels. Items must be identifiable. Do not mix materials.
- Tighten lids on all containers. If containers are leaking, pack in larger container with newspaper to soak up leaks.
- NO 25- OR 50-GALLON DRUMS ALLOWED. Five-gallon buckets are the largest acceptable container. Maximum amount accepted per vehicle is 25 gallons or 220 pounds.
- There are no permanent drop off locations in the region for household hazardous waste, only the listed collections.

The Linfield Sports Park Challenge

Sunday, April 30, 2023

Linfield Sports Park

\$30

Per Player

1 Round

Check-In: 8:00 am
Shot Gun: 9:00 am



DIVISIONS

Pretty Good:

Played for years, have all of your own stuff, 27
acres so far, almost always under par

Not So Good:

Been playing for a little while, have your own stuff,
just got your first ace, not so good at putting

Disc What??

I'm here to have fun never played or have only
played a few rounds

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE.

Pre-Registration Required

