



Tinicum Township Newsletter

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Election Information

Primary Election Day is May 18.

Polls are open from 7am to 8pm.

Board of Elections: 215-348-6154

Voter registration: 215-348-6166

Riches to Roads

Tinicum's dirt and gravel roads have just undergone a \$600,000 face-lift. The six-month project began this past December and was funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The successful applica-

for Great Grades," Hale Built serves commercial, corporate, industrial (and municipal) clients.

"The opportunity to participate in the improvement of our own township roads using local subcontractors and staff



Federal stimulus funds allowed Lodi Hill Road, one of nineteen unpaved roads in the township, to be overlaid in recent months.

tion for ARRA money was the result of a joint effort by Public Works Director Doug Skelton, Township Manager Linda McNeill, and the supervisors who worked together to make the case that overlaying Tinicum's unpaved roads was a high priority infrastructure project. Bids were opened in September; Tinicum resident Glen Hale's firm, Hale Built, was the successful low bidder.

Many locals know Hale as the proprietor of the Sugar Shack—a familiar Headquarters Road landmark, and a must-stop destination for anyone interested in picking up local maple syrup. Hale's day job, however, is as owner and operator of Hale Built, an Easton-based site improvement company that employs about 20 people. "Striving

as much as possible made the project especially attractive. It was a privilege, in fact," said Hale. Transportation and trucking was handled by Chris Weaver, Todd Quinby of Quinby & Sons, and Ed and Walt Miller—names and faces recognizable to many in Tinicum.

Hale and his crew began with Lodi Hill Road on December 7th. That was the first of 13 miles of dirt and gravel roads to be overlaid with approximately 27,800 tons of a material developed at Penn State called Driving Surface Aggregate (DSA). The crushed stone mixture is specifically formulated to create a more durable surface for unpaved roads. Public Works Director Skelton says that DSA will make those roads much easier to maintain, noting that

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Supervisors' Corner

Bridges

PennDOT officials recently informed the supervisors that despite their intent and representations, they will not get set up or organized to reconstruct a new Geigel Hill Bridge at Sheephole until late this year. That means a 2011 construction and probable fall of 2011 reopening. PennDOT accepts responsibility for this additional delay and has agreed to meet with residents and answer questions at a public meeting per our request. PennDOT also expressed concern that the Headquarters Bridge at Sheephole is progressively deteriorating such that it may need to be closed before the new Geigel Hill Bridge is opened. This is contrary to our previous agreement that construction of that bridge would follow the reopening of Geigel Hill. If PennDOT does in fact need to close the Headquarters Bridge at Sheephole before Geigel Hill reopens, they say they will guarantee installation of a temporary bridge at Geigel Hill. The township website (tinicumbucks.org) will have details about the public meeting with PennDOT and updates as they become available.

New Emergency Management Coordinator Many of you know Bill Cahill from Tinicum Elementary, where, for 34 years, he taught 5th grade. He retired in 2009 and as part of his next act is volunteering as Tinicum Emergency

Management Coordinator. Following his nomination by the township, Harrisburg made the appointment official. Bill has already taken to this new role with a lot of energy and interest. He brings experience as a Major in the Army National Guard (Ret.) and is adding to it—attending orientation, training, and earning several certifications at the County Emergency Management Center. By definition, one hopes the EMC will not have much of a job to do; but if there is an emergency, we'll be glad to have Bill, who is experienced, calm under pressure, and prepared. We're grateful to him for taking this on and all for the usual compensation—an occasional "thank you" from his fellow residents.

Police News There's terrific news to report from our police department. Chief James Sabath was medically cleared to return to full duty as of April 5. Seeing Tinicum's Chief back on active duty is a reminder of the security that we've come to expect in Tinicum. That security is generated, at least in part, by familiarity with our local police—just one of the benefits of maintaining a community police force.

A Tough Winter Our Public Works Department was up to the challenge presented by what seemed like endless storms this winter. Doug Skelton and his crew quickly cleared our roads of snow and downed trees. We thank them for all their hard work.

Businesses and Rental Units

Tinicum ordinances require registration of rental units within the township. Is this just government interference in your personal affairs? Emphatically no! Issues of health, safety, and public welfare form the basis of most of our ordinances. Rental units are accounted for so that all residents taking advantage of township resources pay taxes, but also because information about occupancy can be crucial in the event of an emergency. Similarly, municipal government is obligated to curtail any business activities that adversely impact us. This is why we require that business uses be approved by the township.

New Fire Trucks We're fortunate to have four well-equipped and highly capable fire companies serving Tinicum. The two primary companies that serve us—DelVal and Ottsville—have recently purchased new fire engines and incurred large amounts of debt to do so. These engines are far more sophisticated than the trucks they replaced. But now our fire companies need support more than ever. You can help in many ways: join one of the companies; make a financial contribution; or attend fundraisers like dinners, breakfasts, bike rides, and fairs. Visit www.delawarevalleyfire.com and www.ovfc49.org.

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"grading maintenance alone will be cut in half." There are significant environmental benefits of using DSA, especially in Tinicum where so many unpaved roads border Exceptional Value streams. DSA reduces sediment runoff—which adds to water pollution, and in turn threatens fish and other aquatic life—by 80-90%. The material generates far less dust and sediment pollution than silt or clay

materials. The final phase of the project called for the application of liquid calcium chloride, to further reduce road dust.

The township is grateful to the Pennsylvania Dirt and Gravel Roads program, administered by the Bucks County Conservation District, for contributing an additional \$14,000 which allowed the last mile of work to be completed.

The overlaid roads are: Bunker Hill, Ridge Valley, Lily Valley, Municipal, Oak Grove, Gruver, Randts Mill, Tory, Smithtown, Twin Lear, Mt. Airy, Stagecoach, Tetteimer, Permanent School, Swamp Creek, Roaring Rocks, Wildcat, Tammany, and Lodi Hill.

Memo from the Chief: Improving River Safety

The tide is turning this summer for people who break state and municipal laws on the Delaware River. Beginning over the Fourth of July weekend, Tinicum Police will operate joint enforcements on the river with Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission Waterways Conservation Officers (WCOs). WCOs are effectively the PA state police of the waterways: primarily enforcing fishing, boating, and environmental laws. They're responsible for thousands of miles of rivers, streams, and lake shoreline, including 56 miles of the Delaware, 12 miles of which border Tinicum.

Both agencies' enforcement capabilities will be enhanced. The Fish and

Boat Commission is sometimes overwhelmed by the volume of activity on the river during the weekends. The Tinicum Police previously lacked the ability to enforce laws violated on the water. And frequently there's overlap between land and water violations—for example, impaired operation of vehicles and watercraft often go hand in hand. Boating Under the Influence, or BUI, is not just a dangerous disturbance on the river; it's a serious public safety problem and often a pretty good predictor of impaired operation of a motor vehicle.

The Tinicum officers will be targeting violations of the Pennsylvania Crimes Code and violations of the township's ordinances, while the Fish and Boat

Commission will be enforcing violations of Title 30 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes. Specific attention will be focused on BUI, drunk and disorderly behavior, underage drinking, excessive noise, and littering. The operation will comprise ten joint shifts and conclude over Labor Day weekend.

Although this partnership will benefit both agencies, the real beneficiaries of this operation will be the people who enjoy the peace and tranquility of the Delaware River in Tinicum, as well as the recreation it provides.

- Chief James J. Sabath

Ordinances

Ordinance 189, enacted 6/2/09 amends definitions for Flood Plain Soils, Hydric Soils, and Prime Agricultural Land to comply with the Official Soil Survey provided by the US Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Ordinance 190, enacted 6/2/09 amends Ord. 150, adding a definition for Riparian Buffer; amending the general requirements; performance standards of the Stormwater Management Districts; design criteria for stormwater management facilities; methodology for calculating stormwater runoff; and adding a list of references.

Ordinance 191, enacted 6/2/09 amends Ord. 152 to require installation of dry hydrants for fire company use when site work and grading activities requiring a grading permit involve construction, reconstruction and/or reclamation of a pond or other surface water body.

Ordinance 192, enacted 6/2/09 amends Ord. 181 to revise the hours during which construction, drilling, or demolition work may occur.

Ordinance 194, enacted 10/20/09 pursuant to the Tinicum Township Cable Television Franchise Ordinance, granting a cable television franchise renewal to Comcast, subject to the terms of the Cable Franchise Agreement, which shall remain in effect for ten years.

Ordinance 196, enacted 1/4/10 amends Ord. 123 to define "Bounded Aquifer" and provide standards for conducting an aquifer test when bounded aquifer conditions exist. Provides definitions for "greatest sustainable rate," "recovery deficit," and "finite capacity." Provides limits on the amount of draw-down permitted in a bounded aquifer.

Ordinance 197, enacted 1/19/10 authorizes the participation of the township in the Delaware Valley Health Insurance Trust pursuant to the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Law.

Ordinance 199, enacted 3/16/10 prohibits installation and operation of outdoor wood-fired boilers because of emissions, health effects, and nuisances. Prohibition enacted due to absence of state and federal regulations. The Environmental Advisory Committee is writing an ordinance to replace the current ban that will contain health, safety, and emission standards for outdoor wood-fired boilers in time for next year's heating season.

The Past, Present, and Future of Open Space

When the township adopted its Open Space Plan in 2000, just 13% of Tincicum was safeguarded from development. The plan's key goal was to preserve and protect the community's rural character, with a special emphasis placed on protecting our ground water and agricultural resources. Thus, the township, with Tincicum residents' enthusiastic support, initiated its own very successful preservation program. Now, ten years later, 33% of Tincicum's nearly 20,000 acres is permanently protected.

This success is the result of the township's diligent conservation efforts and the support of Tincicum voters who approved a \$5 million open space bond in 2002. The money from this bond has

December marked the end of Norm MacArthur's tenure as OSC Chair, a position he held for nearly a decade. (See Q&A, opposite.) In 2009, the township purchased easements from four families totaling 177 acres.

The Giliberti/Barker property is an 81-acre piece on Red Cliff Road, important because it is situated between the Wechsler/Sardo and Quinby properties, which were protected with township funds in 2006. The Pepkowski family of E. Dark Hollow and Stagecoach Roads placed an easement on their 68-acre property. This property actually represented three separate easements covering a mixture of open agricultural fields, forest, scenic views, and a small stream.

resources may be compromised by future development, especially during drought conditions. The best way to protect our drinking water supply and surface water quality is to protect the lands that surround our streams and aquifer recharge areas. It's less costly for a municipality and its taxpayers to preserve property than to allow it to be developed. School taxes alone, which are nearly 80% of our property taxes, are several times the cost to preserve land. The cost to taxpayers of educating one student per year is between \$12,000 and \$15,000. Compare this to the one-time cost of \$3,424 to preserve an acre of land in perpetuity.

The last of the township's Open Space Bond money was expended in December.



PHOTO: KELLY GERMANN

A rolling landscape of pasture, meadow, forested slopes, and rocky creeks: the newly-protected Giliberti/Barker property.

been wisely leveraged with funds from state and county governments to purchase 34 conservation easements totaling 1,786 acres valued at \$14.6 million, but at a total cost of just over \$6.1 million, or, an average cost per acre of only \$3,424—among the lowest in the county. That means taxpayers saw savings of nearly \$8.5 million on these 1,700-plus acres.

(Nearly 100 conservation easements consisting of 4,300 acres are held by the Tincicum Conservancy. The Conservancy is a local, independent, non-governmental land trust that ranks near the top among Pennsylvania trusts for total number of easements held. The township and the Conservancy have worked together for years, and last December entered into a formal agreement to partner in conservation easement activities.)

The past year saw significant developments in Tincicum open space news.

Conservation easements were purchased on two Headquarters Road properties: the 15-acre White Knight tract, adjacent to the already-protected Schaefer property and the 13-acre Lennox property which is adjacent to the Rosamilia property, also protected. County Natural Areas funding contributed to the purchase of the former.

Unlike much of Bucks County, Tincicum has thus far avoided spiraling suburban sprawl. Sprawl doesn't just affect an area's rural character and quality of life. It increases demand on municipal and school district services, and impacts the community's natural resources. An increasingly important issue in this township is watershed protection. Recent findings of the Joint Bridgeton, Nockamixon, and Tincicum Groundwater Management Committee demonstrate threats to groundwater recharge and provide evidence that the township's water

The township will receive additional county funds to cover approved pending applications. The supervisors are extremely pleased with the work the OSC has done, but with much still to be done, continued effort is necessary and funds must be secured to accomplish it.

Landowners who place easements on their property receive up to 50% (possibly more with state and/or county funding) of the appraised value of the development rights. The remaining portion is donated—a "bargain sale"—and typically qualifies the landowner for significant tax benefits. Anyone who would like to discuss, without obligation, the possibility of an easement should contact the new OSC Chair, Dr. Marion Kyde, at 610-847-8650, or fill out an application available at the township office or website.

- Kim Rosamilia

Questions for Norm MacArthur

In December, after serving on Tincicum's Open Space Committee since its inception, and for nine productive years as Chairman, Norman MacArthur stepped down. The Board of Supervisors acknowledged his service by proclaiming March 14, 2010 "Norm MacArthur Day." OSC member Kim Rosamilia talked to Norm about his pioneering role and ongoing commitment to land preservation in Tincicum.

KR: Why do you think Tincicum's land preservation program has been so successful?

NM: There are five key ingredients, and Tincicum has them all!

- A dedicated core of volunteers, who are ready to roll up their sleeves and do all the hard work.
- A Board of Supervisors who guide and support (and applaud!) Tincicum's push for open space.
- Our own local land trust—a vigorous advocate and partner with the dedication and resources to undertake the care and long-term oversight of our conservation easements.
- An innovative Bucks County land preservation initiative—two County open space bond issues and County officials who are strongly supportive of local efforts.
- Tincicum's citizens—young, old, rich, poor, who have lived here forever, or who have moved in just yesterday—who understand that we must take progressive efforts to preserve the way of life that we all enjoy!

KR: The strength of every organization depends on its leaders, what do you consider your best qualities?

NM: It all depends on volunteers. Any leader can lean back and let volunteers do what they do best.

KR: Through your leadership and the dedicated efforts of others, one third of

Tincicum is protected. Where do we go from here? What is a realistic target over the next 5-10 years for preserving open space?

NM: I'm in the school of land-preservation-thought held by one of our supervisors. "What to preserve? All of Tincicum. When? Tomorrow." Seriously, we must keep the momentum of our successful land preservation program.

KR: Given the downswing in the economy and scarcity of funding, what should be our priority goals in land preservation?

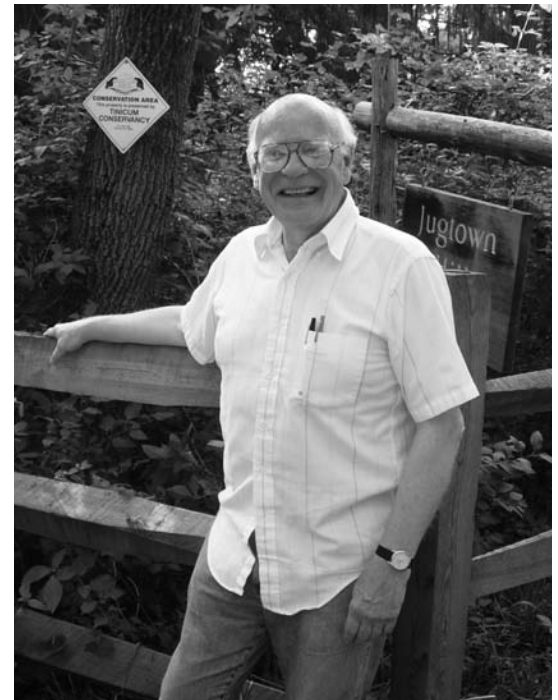
NM: This is a golden opportunity to keep pushing forward in our land preservation efforts. Land prices are going down and developers are pulling back. It is an ideal time to keep the momentum going. But we all know real estate is cyclical. We're on a down cycle now, but land values always go up. Developers will come back aggressively and once land is developed, it's gone forever.

KR: Who should care about Open Space?

NM: We all should because it's essential to our rural life with the attendant benefits of protecting a very limited water supply.

KR: What would you say is the most prevalent misconception about the open space program?

NM: That somehow the landowner gives up ownership of the land. The landowner still owns the land and continues to conduct the same activities on the land that he has always done with the peace of knowing that the land will never be developed. And the landowner has a great deal to say about the provisions of the conservation easement. One misconception is that our easements require public access to the land; they do not, unless the landowner is in favor of it.



Leading by example: MacArthur at home on Jugtown Farm, preserved property.

KR: How has Tincicum gone about preservation in a way that's unique or at least different from neighboring townships?

NM: We involve volunteers at every level including volunteers from our partner in land preservation, the Tincicum Conservancy. Because that's really the strength of our program, our own local land trust.

KR: How did you come to live in Tincicum?

NM: We were attracted by the multitude of historic stone buildings and rural atmosphere of Tincicum. It reminds me of rural England, and Bill (Novak, MacArthur's partner) of rural France.

KR: What are your favorite spots in Tincicum? An ideal day here?

NM: My favorite spot in Tincicum is Cafferty Road where it rises by Van Sant Airport and you can see the hills of the Delaware Valley in the distance. An ideal day is when 100% of Tincicum is preserved.

Community Calendar

Daily - Tennis, basketball, volleyball at Tincum Township's Four Brooks Park, Cafferty & Smithtown Rds. Open dawn to dusk. Residents only.

Weekdays - Disposal of appliances

Large items year round. Call Twp Bldg for details. 610-294-9154. See 6/12, 7/10 & 9/25 for County household hazardous waste collection.

Weekdays - Recycle Compact

Fluorescent Lights Contact Sean Phillips at the Twp Bldg., between 9 am and 2 pm. 610-294-9154

Mondays through Thursdays - Eastern Upper Bucks Senior Center

Open 10 am-2 pm, 8040 Easton Rd, Ottsville. New members always welcome! Line dancing Mon 10:30-11:30 am; Yoga Tues 10:15-11:15; Tai-Chi Wed 10:30-11:30 am; Drawing Class 1 pm Wed (call to confirm); 4th Monday big cash bingo 1 pm; 2nd Thur. Pinochle tournament 1 pm, 3rd Thur. board game day. 610-847-8178.

Pipersville Free Library Hours:

M-F 3-5 pm, T,W,Th 7-8:30 pm, Thurs. 10 am-noon, Sat. 10 am-noon.

NEW Saturday hours! Lots of good, new books available. 215-766-7880

Tincum Park & Tohickon Valley Park information 215-757-0571.

Erwin-Stover House in Tincum Park Open Fri-Sun, noon-4 pm or by appointment. Call 215-489-5133 (Mon-Fri) to confirm/schedule times.

Van Sant Airport and County Park

Picnic under the trees and watch vintage aircraft. Glider, Piper Cub, Tiger Moth, and Stearman rides offered. 610-847-8320.

MAY

Saturdays starting May 15 - Polo in

Tincum Park 2 pm, weather permitting. Only \$5 per carload, bring tailgate picnic. Call 908-996-3321 Sat. am for weather update. www.tincumpolo.org.

Weekends Stover Mill Gallery Art Show 852 River Rd, Erwinna, 1-5 pm. May 1 & 2 features oils by Kay King. Starting May 8 "Places in Pastel," works by Doug Sardo. 610-294-9420.

9 Firehouse Mother's Day Breakfast

All-you-can-eat at the UBE Vol. Fire Co. Firehouse Ln off River Rd, 7:30 am-noon. Eggs, French toast,

pancakes, bacon, sausage, potatoes, toast, chipped beef, beverages. Adults \$7, children 5-12 \$3, under 5 free.

14 Spaghetti Dinner All-you-can-eat, Del Val Fire Co. 75 Headquarters Rd, Erwinna, 5:30-7:30 pm. Adults \$8, Seniors \$7.50, Children 6-12 \$5.50, under 6 free.

15 Kayak the Canal 10 am-noon sponsored by Delaware Canal State Park. Paddle the canal. \$10/person includes all safety equipment and boat rental. Must preregister: Sarah 610-982-0161 or sberg@state.pa.us or online at www.dcnr.state.pa.us.

16 Discovery Walk - Life In and Along the Delaware Canal sponsored by Friends of the Delaware Canal. Delaware Canal State Park's Ian Kindle will assist with wildlife identification and photography during this family friendly, 2-mile walk. Meet at 2 pm at Loch 20, adjacent to River Rd between Indian Rock Inn and the Rte 611/Rte 32 junction. www.fodc.org or 215-862-2021 for info.

18 Primary Election Don't forget to vote! Polls open 7 am to 8 pm.

21 Story Hour for Preschoolers (ages 5 and under) at the Pipersville Library, 10-11am. 215-294-3129.

21-23 Rummage Sale at the UBE Fire House Firehouse Ln off River Rd. Check www.ubefire.com for times.

22 Rock Climbing at High Rocks Overlook 9 am-noon, sponsored by Delaware Canal State Park. \$10/person or \$30/ family. Ages 8 and up, must pre-register. Sarah 610-982-0161 or sberg@state.pa.us or online at www.dcnr.state.pa.us.

22 PA State Fish 4 Free Day Give fishing a try. No license required on PA waterways today. All other fishing regulations apply. Check www.fish.state.pa.us for related activities.

22 Tohickon Valley Pool Cafferty Rd, Pt. Pleasant, noon-3 pm, pre-register for swimming classes in July or season memberships. No credit cards. 215-297-0754

27 Tincum Civic Association Mtg All welcome, 7:30 pm, Stover Mill, 852 River Rd, Erwinna. 610-294-9420.

29 Tohickon Valley Pool Cafferty Rd, Pt. Pleasant, opens for weekend hours noon-6:30 pm. 215-297-0754

JUNE

Tohickon Valley Pool, Cafferty Rd, Pt. Pleasant, weekends through mid-June, daily thereafter, noon-6:30 pm. 215-297-0754

Weekends Stover Mill Gallery Art Show 852 River Rd, Erwinna, 1-5 pm. "Delaware River Corridor,"

oils by Jackie Walker. 610-294-9420.

Saturdays - Polo in Tincum Park

2 pm, weather permitting. Only \$5 per carload, bring tailgate picnic. Call 908-996-3321 Sat. am for weather update. www.tincumpolo.org.

Saturdays-Drop off books and White Elephant donations for the Tincum Arts Festival. 9-11 am, Tincum Park, at the red barn.

5 Annual Street Fair sponsored by the Pipersville Free Library. 10 am-4 pm, 7114 Durham Rd, Pipersville. Crafts, games, books, bake sale, food, music, and more. Admission, parking are free.

6 Delaware River Guided Paddle Program 9 am-noon, Delaware Canal State Park, Upper Black Eddy. Learn the basics and identify wildlife. \$15/person includes boat, paddle and life vest. Ages 12 and up. Must pre-register. Sarah 610-982-0161 or sberg@state.pa.us or online at www.dcnr.state.pa.us.

6 PA State Fish 4 Free Day Give fishing a try. No license required on PA waterways today. All other fishing regulations apply. Check www.fish.state.pa.us for related activities.

6 Tincum Outdoor Antique Show sponsored by the Tincum Civic Association. 10 am-4 pm. \$6. No pets. 610-294-9420.

6 Palisades Community Chorus Spring Concert. For details see www.PalisadesCommunityChorus.org or call 610-294-9039.

11 Gone Fishing Friday at Ralph Stover State Park 9 am-1 pm. Bring the kids and go fishing with park staff. Free loaner rods and tackle available. Over age 18 must have valid fishing license. 610-982-0161.

11 Story Hour for Preschoolers (ages 5 and under) at the Pipersville Library, 10-11am. 215-294-3129.

11 Spaghetti Dinner All-you-can-eat, Del Val Fire Co. See May 14 for details.

12 Household Hazardous Waste collection, 9 am-3 pm. computers, pesticides, pool chemicals, flammables, toxics, caustics, batteries, propane tanks 20 lb or less. DO NOT bring latex paint, explosives, PCBs, tires, appliances, asbestos, biological or radioactive waste, or alkaline batteries. Upper Bucks Vo-Tech, 3115 Ridge, Rd, Bedminster Twp. For exactly what will and will not be collected:

215-345-3400 or www.buckscounty.org.

13 Bucks County Covered Bridges

Motorcycle Run "Back by popular demand!" Fundraiser for UBE Fire Co. Information and to pre-register contact bikerun@ubefire.com. Rain date June 27.

16 Rock Climbing at High Rocks

Overlook 9 am-noon, sponsored by Delaware Canal State Park. See May 22.

19 "Birds of Field & Forest" Walk

sponsored by the Tincum Conservancy. Diane Allison, Local Birder and Conservancy Trustee will lead a walk through conserved areas in Tincum starting 8 am. Free. Call 610-847-2085.

24 Tincum Civic Association Mtg All

welcome, 7:30 pm, Stover Mill, 852 River Rd, Erwinna. 610-294-9420.

26 River Road Clean-up

sponsored by the Tincum Conservancy, 8-10 am. Meet at Schneiderwind Farm, 8 am. Vests, gloves, bags, & scones provided. To volunteer, contact John Moore 610-847-2935 or cedarhil@ptd.net. Rain date: June 27.

JULY

Weekends Stover Mill Gallery Art Show 852 River Rd, Erwinna, 1-5 pm. "In My Light," oils by David Minka 294-9420.

Tohickon Valley Pool, Cafferty Rd, Pt. Pleasant, daily, noon-6:30 pm. 215-297-0754

Saturdays (except July 3) – Polo in

Tincum Park 2 pm, weather permitting. Only \$5 per carload, Bring tailgate picnic. Call 908-996-3321 Sat. am for weather update. www.tincumpolo.org.

Red Cross Swim Lessons for ages 4-12 at Tohickon Valley Pool. Session 1: July 12-16; Session 2: July 19-23; Session 3: July 26-30. Information at 215-297-0754. (Prior to May 26 call 215-489-5132.) \$50/session for pool members.

ARC Guard Start Pre-Lifeguard training, ages 11-14 at Tohickon Valley Pool. July 5-9, 8:30 am-noon. \$50 per person; max 15 persons. Information at 215-297-0754. (Prior to May 26 call 215-489-5132.)

3 "Concert Under the Stars" Riverside Symphonia, Tincum Park, 8-10 pm, gates open at 6 pm. Advance tickets (Gourmet's Pantry) \$22 adult, \$10 child. At gate (if available) \$27 adult, \$10 child. Bring a picnic, lawn chairs or blanket. No dogs, BBQ grills, glow necklaces, tiki torches, or sparklers permitted. 609-397-7300.

8 Rock Climbing at High Rocks

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9 Gone Fishing Friday at Ralph Stover State Park 9 am-1 pm. See June 11.

9 Spaghetti Dinner All-you-can-eat, Del Val Fire Co. See May 14.

10 Household Hazardous Waste collection, 9 am-3 pm. Central Bucks South High School. 1100 Folly Rd, Warrington Twp. See June 12 or contact 215-345-3400 or www.buckscounty.org for exactly what will and will not be collected.

10 Giving Pond Paddle Program

8-10 am or 11 am-1 pm. Sponsored by Delaware Canal State Park. Learn paddling basics and identify wildlife. \$10/person includes boat, paddles and life vests. Must pre-register: Sarah 610-982-0161 or sberg@state.pa.us or online at www.dcnr.state.pa.us.

10,11 61st Tincum Arts Festival Tincum Park, Sat 10 am-6 pm, Sun 11 am-5 pm, Adults \$6, ages 6-12 \$1, under 6 free. No pets or bicycles. 610-294-9420. Get all the details and schedules at www.TincumArtsFestival.org.

22 Tincum Civic Association Mtg All welcome, 7:30 pm, Stover Mill, 852 River Rd. 610-294-9420.

24 "Food Production & the Natural Landscape on a Bucks County Farm" conservation spotlight program sponsored by the Tincum Conservancy. Presentation by Eve Minson, local organic farmer and landscape architect. 10 am. Free. Call Diane Allison at 610-847-2085 for location and registration.

25 Tour de Tincum Six bicycle rides from 4 to 62 miles. Benefits Del Val Fire Co., \$20 up to July 19; \$25 on-site registration.

\$35/family, children under 12 free with adult. Includes rest stops with refreshments and post-ride picnic. Registration and rides begin at 8 am at the fire house. For information call Rick 215-514-7445 or Julia 215-852-7776. Directions and registration at www.delawarevalleyfire.com.

AUGUST

Tohickon Valley Pool, Cafferty Rd, Pt. Pleasant, open daily, noon-6:30 pm. 215-297-0754

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15 Kayak the Canal 10 am-noon sponsored by Delaware Canal State Park. See May 15.

21 River Road Clean-up sponsored by the Tincum Conservancy, 8-10 am. See June 26. Rain date: Aug 22.

21 Nature at Night Program sponsored by Friends of the Delaware Canal. Meet at 8 pm at the Giving Pond Recreation Area, 1071 River Rd. Guided by a State Park naturalist, spy beavers and other nocturnal critters. Family friendly. More details at www.fodc.org or 215-862-2021.

22 Rock Climbing at High Rocks

Overlook 9 am-noon, sponsored by Delaware Canal State Park. See May 22.

26 Tincum Civic Association Mtg All welcome, 7:30 pm, Stover Mill, 852 River Rd. 610-294-9420.

28 Giving Pond Paddle Program 8-10 am or 11 am-1 pm. Sponsored by Delaware Canal State Park. See July 10.

Suggestions for the Community Calendar should be sent to Pat Lesko at plesko1@fast.net or call 610-847-8304



Summer Fun for Everyone!

**The 61st Annual
Tinicum Arts Festival**

**Saturday, July 10th
10 am to 6 pm**

**Sunday, July 11th
11 am to 5 pm**

www.tinicumartsfestival.org

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Township Boards and Meeting Schedule

Board of Supervisors

Generally first and third Tuesdays at 7:30 pm with only one meeting per month in May, June, July, Aug, Sept and Nov.
Meeting Dates: Jun 1, Jul 13, Aug 3, Sept 14, Oct 5 & 19, Nov 16, Dec 7 & 21.
Work Sessions generally third Monday at 9:00 am.

Planning Commission

Damon Aherne 1/05/09-12/31/11
Gregory Czura 1/05/09-12/31/11
Vincent Dotti 1/4/10-12/31/12
Laure Duval 1/1/08-12/31/10
Judy Iden 1/1/08-12/31/10
Trevor McNeill 1/4/10-12/31/12
Nicholas Tscheschlog 1/4/10-12/31/12
Generally fourth Tuesday at 7:45 pm.
Meeting Dates: May 25, Jun 22, Jul 27, Aug 24, Sept 28, Oct 26, Nov 23, Dec 7.
Work Sessions generally the second Tuesday at 7:45 pm.

Environmental Advisory Committee

Jim Hetrick 4/6/10-12/31/12
Martie Kyde 1/01/08-12/31/10
Eve Springwood-Minson 4/6/10-12/31/12
Robert Stanfield 1/05/09-12/31/11
Edythe Victor 1/4/10- 2/31/12
Michael Zavoda 1/4/10-12/31/12
Generally third Monday at 7:30 pm.
Meeting dates: May 17, Jun 28, Jul 19, Aug 16, Sept 20, Oct 18, Nov 15, Dec 20.

Park and Recreation Board

Vicki Dexheimer 1/05/09-12/31/11
R. Douglas Hahn 1/4/10-12/31/12
Glen Hale 1/3/08-12/31/10
Geoffrey Nye 1/05/09-12/31/11
David Sears 1/1/08-12/31/10
Generally second Wednesday at 8 pm.
Meeting dates: May 12, Jun 9, Jul 14, Aug 11, Sept 15, Oct 14, Nov 10, Dec 8.

Historical Commission

Charles Bello 1/01/08-12/31/10
Jay Folkes 1/05/09-12/31/11
Brian Murphy 1/4/10-12/31/12
Ethan Perry 1/4/10-12/31/12
Dorsey Reading 1/05/09-12/31/11
Stephen Victor 7/7/09-12/31/11
Generally second Monday at 7:30 pm.
Meeting dates: Jun 14, Jul 12, Aug 9, Sept 13, Oct 11, Nov 8, Dec 13.

Joint Tinicum, Nockamixon and Bridgeton Groundwater Management Committee

Tinicum members:
Vincent Dotti 1/4/10-12/31/12
Robert Stanfield 1/4/10-12/31/12
Generally third Wednesday at 7:30 pm in the Nockamixon Township Building.
Meeting dates: May 20, Jun 17, Jul 15, Aug 19, Sept 16, Oct 21, Nov 18, Dec 16.

Emergency Management

Meetings as required
Bill Cahill

Open Space Commission

Kris Becker 4/15/08-12/31/10
John Cole 1/4/10-12/31/12
Dave Emerson 1/01/08-12/31/10
Mindy Friedman 1/4/10-12/31/12
William Harvey 1/4/10-12/31/12
Ed Henry 1/01/08-12/31/10
Edward Jones 4/6/10-12/31/12
Martie Kyde 1/05/09-12/31/11
Mark Manchester 4/6/10-12/31/12
Sally Mirick 3/3/09-12/31/11
Kim Rosamilia 1/4/10-12/31/12
Generally fourth Monday at 7:30 pm.
Meeting dates: May 24, Jun 22, Jul 26, Aug 23, Sept 27, Oct 25, Nov 22, Dec 27.

Zoning Hearing Board

Bill Altier 1/01/08-12/31/10
Eric Hinrichs 1/05/09-12/31/11
Terry Pratt 1/2/07-12/31/09
John Moore 1/05/09-12/31/11
Generally second and fourth Thursday at 7:00 pm as required. One meeting in Sept, Nov and Dec. Hearing notices will be published.

Building Code Board of Appeals

Hearings as required.
Joe Billingham
Ken Walton
Chris Weaver
Residents are welcome at all meetings.