

THE UPPER GWYNEDD EDITOR



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Upper Gwynedd Township

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UPPER GWYNEDD TOWNSHIP ANNOUNCES A REAL ESTATE TAX INCREASE FOR GENERAL PURPOSES AND A SEWER RATE INCREASE FOR 2014

Following an extensive Budget review process for the calendar year 2014, the Upper Gwynedd Township Board of Commissioners' announces that a general purpose tax and sewer rate increase is unavoidable. These increases follow 23 years of holding the line and/or reducing general purpose real estate taxes. The Township has also sustained and will continue to maintain very competitive sewer rates.

It is important for property owners in Upper Gwynedd to understand recent real estate tax history in our community. The last increase of real estate taxes for general purposes imposed by the Township was in 1991. The 1991 increase was followed by a 0.491 (2001) mill real estate tax reduction for general purposes. For the calendar year 2014 there are a number of budgetary demands that require that the Township increase general purpose real estate taxes from the current 0.874 mills to a 2014 proposed millage of 1.874. The proposed 2014 millage will affect the average residential real estate taxpayer by increasing their annual real estate tax levied by the Township by approximately \$142.00. It is very important for taxpayers to understand that the Township does not control the tax levy imposed by either the North Penn School District or the Montgomery County Board of Commissioners. In 2013, the Township real estate tax represented only 3.8% of your total annual real estate tax bill while the School District's tax represented 84.5% and the County tax represented 11.7%. Residential taxpayers can reduce the Township's increase by taking advantage of the 2% discount payment period and the Homestead Exemption. The Township continues to maintain the \$30,000 Homestead Exemption which benefits taxpayers by reducing the assessed value on owner occupied residential properties. Upper Gwynedd Township is one of only eight municipalities in Montgomery County offering this exemption.

The proposed 2014 budget is being presented following an exhaustive line item review resulting in significant budgetary cuts. The Board of Commissioners does not want to further reduce the budget as doing so would compromise the level of services provided to our residents. There are no proposed changes to the millage for Fire Company purposes. The following items are the significant factors forcing the Board of Commissioners to make this very difficult decision:

1. Real estate sales still remain well below 2008 levels resulting in reduced real estate transfer tax receipts. This reduction in revenue equates to 0.26 mills or approximately a \$400,000 annual reduction in receipts since 2008.
2. The cost associated with providing the current level of Public Safety services mainly due to Police coverage equates to 40% of the General Fund Budget.
3. The impact of the Affordable Healthcare Act (Obamacare).
4. The cost of implementing unfunded federal and state mandates. Most notably the cost of implementing the USEPA and PADEP mandated MS-4 stormwater management requirements. The Township did sustain a \$30,000 reduction in revenue from the Commonwealth in the form of recycling performance grants. This was caused by a statewide recalculation of the recycling grant program.
5. Low interest yields on the Township reserve funds. These returns are limited by interest rate market conditions and the investment limitations imposed on municipalities by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania law.
6. General operating cost increase with a particular emphasis on materials, equipment, and supplies.
7. The Township must maintain reasonable fund balances in order to preserve sufficient funds to cover unanticipated expenses and to maintain the Township's Bond rating. The Township's Bond rating was recently rated as an excellent AA+ /Stable by Standard & Poor's. *(continued on next page)*

TAX INCREASE

(cover article continued)

With the proposed increases in taxes, the Township of Upper Gwynedd will continue to maintain one of the lowest municipal real estate tax levies in Montgomery County. The Township Board of Commissioners pledges to continue to provide what it believes to be a high level of service in all departments of the Township.

With respect to the proposed increase to the 2014 sewer rates, a 15% increase will be applied to all customer classes resulting in a residential increase of \$48.30 per year. This increase is justified by the following increases in cost:

1. USEPA and PADEP mandated capital expenditures taking place in both the Township's Collection System and its Wastewater Treatment Plant.

2. Increases in operating cost associated with these mandates. These costs relate to manpower, utilities, and chemicals.

3. The maintenance of the capital reserve for future Treatment Plant requirements.

With this increase the Township continues to maintain very competitive sewer rates based on a regional comparison.

Once again, the Board of Commissioners takes these decisions extremely seriously and assures tax and sewer rent payers that it continues to attempt to operate the Township in a cost effective and efficient manner. ❁

TIPS FROM THE FINANCE DIRECTOR

Save on Township Real Estate Taxes

Upper Gwynedd Township is one of a few communities in Montgomery County which offers a Homestead Exclusion on Township real estate taxes. This exclusion enables qualified property owners to benefit from a reduction in their Township real estate tax through Act 50 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. To qualify for the Homestead Exemption, the property must be the owner's primary residence and be owner-occupied. Currently, Upper Gwynedd is offering a \$30,000 exemption on the assessed valuation of the property. For example, qualifying property owners whose property is assessed at \$200,000 would pay Township real estate tax on \$170,000 of the assessed valuation. **Those individuals who have already enrolled in the Homestead do not need to reapply.** If you have not previously applied, you must do so on or before March 1st in order to qualify for the exemption in the subsequent years' tax bill. For example, applications which are received on or before March 1, 2014, will qualify for a reduction in the Township real estate for 2015. Applications are made to and are approved by the Montgomery County Board of Assessment Appeals. **Applications are not to be submitted to Upper Gwynedd Township.** The Application is available on the Township's website under the resources header "Documents, Forms & Permits" link. Copies of the Application are also available at the Upper Gwynedd Township Administrative Office, One Parkside Place, North Wales. More information concerning Act 50 is available at the Montgomery County website www.montcopa.org (search for Act 50). Please follow the instructions after the Application on how to fill out the form and where to submit it to the County.

Credit cards are now accepted

Upper Gwynedd Township is now accepting credit card payments for most Township services, except taxes, in person at the Township Building. Currently, online payments are being accepted for sewer utility fees. Upper Gwynedd Township has entered into an agreement with National Payment Solutions (NPS) and MuniPAY to provide a secure means to accept credit cards as an additional payment option. NPS is a registered Merchant Services Provider and Third Party Processor that processes more than 3 billion dollars in electronic payments per year. NPS is a certified Level 1 Payment Card Industry – Data Security Standards (PCI-DSS) Service Provider. NPS and MuniPAY meet all PCI-DSS guidelines and requirements providing the secure storage and transmission of cardholder data. When selecting the online payment icon the payee will be routed to the NPS/MuniPAY secured portal to complete the transaction. This ability has been setup to give residents the convenience of paying from any location 24 hours a day. Please be advised that payments made by credit card will be charged a convenience fee of 2.45% or a minimum of \$3.00. Payment made by an E Check will be charged a flat fee of \$1.50. These fees go directly to NPS/MuniPAY who processes the transactions. These fees are not retained by the Township. Currently, the Township has made online payments available for only Sewer Rental bills – please visit www.uppergwynedd.org if you are interested in using this service. The Township will expand online payments to other Township Services such as Parks & Recreation programs in the near future. The Township wants this service to be a positive experience for all residents, and the Township Staff understands that there is no substitute for personal service. Please feel free to call or visit during business hours 8:00AM to 4:30PM, Monday through Friday, for assistance. ❁

East Interceptor Construction Project Update

Upper Gwynedd Township and its contractor, Doli Construction, recently achieved substantial completion on the East Interceptor Capacity Increase Project located along portions of the Haines Run – a tributary to the Wissahickon Creek. The \$475,000 project was completed as part of the Township's ongoing efforts to rehabilitate the sanitary sewer system and improve the water quality in local streams. The project included obstructive tree and brush removal along the existing sanitary sewer easement, the installation of approximately 2,000 linear feet of new 16" PVC pipe, 13 new water-tight manholes, 5 sanitary sewer stream crossings, and restoration of the permanent and temporary construction easements. Final restoration and selective landscape planting on impacted properties that abut the easement will be completed in Spring 2014. The Township would like to thank the abutting property owners and neighborhood residents in the project vicinity for their cooperation and patience during construction. Due to this cooperation, the project was completed on-time and under budget. This new portion of the Township's sanitary sewer system is very important in addressing the Township's existing and future sanitary sewer capacity needs. ❁

From the Chief of Police

The Ordinance for solicitor's permits has been updated. Any person who peddles or solicits for business in the Township is now required to pass a more comprehensive background check and visibly wear a photo ID attached to the permit. However, non-profit, religious, and political groups or individuals are exempt from the permit requirement. If you have any doubts about a solicitor at your door, please do not open your door. Never hesitate to call 9-1-1 to report suspicious activity. Even if you do not think it is an emergency, please call immediately. Remember it is important to lock your vehicle and home doors to help prevent crime. ❁

From the Fire Marshal

With the Winter Season upon us, residents need to make sure that they have a properly working Carbon Monoxide (CO) Detector in their residence. While CO is always present in some form throughout the year, the cold season brings a greater risk for CO poisoning, as various heating devices are used in the home. If you have a fireplace, insert, wood or gas stove, please ensure that the chimney flue is cleaned annually and that all connections are checked for security. Ideally, a CO Detector should be placed on each level of the home, and the unit should be tested each month. CO Detectors DO NOT last forever; they should be replaced every 7 years. If purchasing a new unit, one that plugs into a wall socket and also has a battery backup is recommended. For more information on Carbon Monoxide safety, please visit: <http://tinyurl.com/cescmal>.

Upper Gwynedd Township recently adopted the 2009 Edition of the International Fire Code. With the adoption of Ordinance 2013-010, the Fire Marshal's office will begin conducting Fire and Life Safety Inspections beginning in early 2014. These inspections will occur in all commercial occupancies within the municipality. The purpose of these inspections is to ensure establishments in Upper Gwynedd are operating facilities that are up to today's safety standards, and that their engineered safety systems are being maintained. It is anticipated that there will be an 18 month cycle to complete all of the buildings in the Township. Further information for business owners will be forthcoming. 🌸

Nor-Gwyn Baseball and Softball Registration

Nor-Gwyn announces the opening of registration for all 2014 programs. There are two ways to register for returning players – either at www.norgwynbaseball.org or through one of four walk-in sessions. Online registration is now available and can be accessed via the web site address. New players must register in-person. Walk-in sign-ups will be held on Friday, January 3, Saturday, January 4, Friday, January 10, and Saturday, January 11 at the Upper Gwynedd Township Building. Friday sessions are from 7-9pm and Saturday from 11am-2pm. Parents must be present at walk-in registration and proof of name and date of birth documentation must be provided for all new players. Nor-Gwyn sponsors baseball and softball programs for boys and girls ages five and up (as of May 1, 2014), including Co-Ed T-Ball; Little League Age, Connie Mack, American Legion and Perky Baseball; and intramural and inter-community travel softball. Additional information is available at the above web site. 🌸

UPPER GWYNEDD RECOGNIZES EMPLOYEES FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

At their monthly Public Meetings, the Upper Gwynedd Board of Commissioners recognizes all employees as they reach five year increments of employment with the Township. This year the Township is honoring Mr. Chabala and Mr. Gerhart as they celebrate 30 years of employment in the Public Works Department, and Mr. Honeywell the Operations Superintendent at the Township's Wastewater Treatment Plant is celebrating 35 years of employment with the Township. A special congratulation goes to Mr. Richard as he celebrates his 40 years of employment in the Public Works Department. He is the first employee on record to reach the 40 year benchmark status with Upper Gwynedd.



The Township thanks Mr. Chabala, Mr. Gerhart, Mr. Honeywell, and Mr. Richard for their many years of diligent work keeping the Township the beautiful community that it is today. 🌸

ZONING UPDATES

The following Standards and Regulations must be followed in order to ensure the safety and high quality of our neighborhoods.

Signs on Residential Properties

Homeowners, please remember that contractor signs are permitted only while the work is being performed, never longer than 30 days, and must be removed immediately upon completion of the activity. These signs are not permitted within the legal right-of-way of a street or within the clear sight triangle formed by the intersection of two streets, or a driveway with a street. Signs within the legal right-of-way or clear sight triangle present a safety hazard and will be removed by Township personnel.

Business Owners You may display signs for special events, grand openings, and the like, but you must first obtain a Permit and disclose the number and size of signs based on the sign code. These signs shall not be placed within the legal right-of-way of a street or clear sight triangles discussed above. These signs are not permitted for more than 30 days per calendar year.

Fences All new or replacement fence installations require a Permit. The property owner is responsible to ensure that the fence does not cross a property line or block an

easement. Fences must be set behind the legal right-of-way of a street and may not intrude into the clear sight triangle formed by the intersection of two streets or a driveway with a street. The maximum height for a fence in a residential or commercial district is six feet, in an industrial district the height may be eight feet.

Swimming Pools Permits are required. The owner or pool contractor must submit a survey plan prepared by a licensed surveyor or engineer. All grading and construction activities must comply with current codes for electrical, structural, and child safety barriers. In order to ensure that plans are properly followed, regular inspections must occur as indicated by the Permit.

New Updated Zoning Map

A new colorized and electronic Zoning Map is near completion and once adopted by the Board of Commissioners will be posted on the Township website. This should help interested owners/buyers/appraisers to view the zoning of a particular property without having to call the Township or purchase a separate hard copy map. The Township expects this to be posted in February or March, 2014. 🌸



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WINTER BLAST 2014

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Colorcon; Harleysville Savings Bank; Senator Bob Mensch, Representative Kate Harper; Representative Robert Godshall; Quakertown National Bank; Montgomery United Soccer Club; NMTCC, Wegmans, Giant Food Store

The North Penn Recreation Consortium presents their annual Winter Blast funded by the above North Penn Area businesses. Since 1997, Winter Blast has been a free event offered to the local community giving people a chance to forget about the chilly weather and step inside for an afternoon full of fun. This event features entertainment, face painting, make n' take crafts, fashion show, clowns, refreshments and more! All activities are FREE for all ages so come and enjoy. Call 215-699-7777 for more info.

FREE FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!



Saturday, January 25
11:30am-3:30pm
Montgomery Mall

230 Montgomery Mall, North Wales, PA
Call 215-699-7777 for more info



Broadway Plays & Trips

**YOU MUST
PRE-REGISTER
-FOR-
SENIOR GAMES
BASKETBALL
EVENTS!**



29TH ANNUAL MONTGOMERY COUNTY SENIOR GAMES

Monday, May 5 – Friday, May 9 Events Throughout the Week!

Events will be held at various locations in Montgomery County. Activities include basketball, billiards, bowling, darts, golf, par 3 golf, horseshoes, running, swimming and more. Any Montgomery County resident who turns 50 or older this year is eligible to participate. For more info or to register, visit www.MontcoSeniorGames.com or contact 215-643-1600 x3443, ddureka@upperdublin.net.

Basketball

**The basketball events
require pre-registration!**

Held at the Parkside Place Complex
Tuesday, May 6th at 6pm.
Contact Upper Dublin Parks
& Rec at 215-643-1600 x3443
to reserve your spot.

Foul Shooting

The winner in each age category
will be the one who makes
the most baskets out of 10
attempts from the foul line.

Hot Shot

The winner in each age category
will be the contestant who makes
the most baskets out of 7 from
each of three "Hot Spots."



Both Broadway Plays are on Saturday, June 14

Departs UGT Township Building at 8am
Returns to UGT Township Building at 8pm

Aladdin..... \$139 Orchestra seats

The beloved story of *Aladdin* is brought to thrilling theatrical life in this bold, new musical. With just one rub of a magic lamp, Aladdin's journey sweeps you into an exotic world full of daring adventure, classic comedy and timeless romance. It's an unforgettable experience that includes all the cherished songs



form the Academy Award-winning score and more written especially for Broadway. This brand-new stage production is directed and choreographed by Tony® Award winner Casey Nicholaw, and composed by Tony



Award winner Alan Menken. It features lyrics penned by the legendary Howard Ashman and Tony Award winner Tim Rice, with book and additional lyrics by Chad Beguelin. Aladdin also showcases an incomparable design team with exquisite sets, costumes and lighting by multiple Tony Award winners Bob Crowley, Gregg Barnes and Natasha Katz.

Bullets Over Broadway..... \$169 Orchestra seats



A new musical adaptation of Woody Allen and Douglas McGrath's comedy! *Bullets*

Over Broadway tells the story of an aspiring young playwright (Zach Braff) who is forced to cast a mobster's talentless girlfriend in his latest drama in order to get it produced. Featuring music of the 1920's, the musical includes a new book by Woody Allen.

HOCKEY TRIP

Philadelphia Flyers vs. Nashville Predators

Thursday, January 16

\$60

Game Time

7:00pm



Watch the flyers take on the Predators. See Shea Weber's first visit to the Wells Fargo Center since the Flyers tried to sign him!

Price includes ticket only; no transportation. Balcony Suite seats. Light snacks included.

Kids Programs



ENGINEERING FOR KIDS Upper Gwynedd Community Center

Junior Chemical Engineering: Crazy Concoctions

Ages 4-6

2/1-3/15 (no class 2/15) **\$119**
Saturdays 9:00-10am

Introduces our youngest engineers to fundamental concepts of solids, liquids and solutions. Students investigate the properties of several crazy concoctions and make their own samples of bubbles, play dough, ice cream and more!

Apprentice Chemical Engineering: Mix it Up

Ages 7-11

2/1-3/15 (no class 2/15) **\$209**
Saturdays 10:15am-12:15pm

Introduces students to the Engineering Design Process as they design, create, test and refine various mixtures and solutions with different chemical properties. They will develop solutions to synthesize their own rocket fuel, investigate the secrets behind color pigmentation, make homemade ice cream and more.



Junior Mechanical Engineering: Awesome Machines

Ages 4-6

4/26-5/24 **\$99**
Saturdays 9:00-10am

Introduces our youngest engineers to fundamental concepts of energy, materials and movement. Through open and focused exploration, students will design and build their own roller coasters, catapults, cars and more!

Apprentice Mechanical Engineering: Race Cars, Boats and Roller Coasters

Ages 7-11

4/26-5/24 **\$179**
Saturdays 10:15am-12:15pm

This class is designed to introduce students to the job of a mechanical engineer. Through various hands-on activities, students are introduced to concepts of physics, motion and energy using various materials and media, including wind and water. These concepts will be explored through designing, building and testing an array of awesome machines such as race cars, boats, catapults, roller coasters and more!

SPORTS FOR KIDS Various Locations



Beginning Tae Kwon Do

Ages 6-13

Yang's Martial Arts

121 North Main Street, North Wales

3/4-3/27

Tuesdays and Thursdays

\$25
5-6pm

\$40 uniform fee payable at first class

Instruction in traditional Martial Arts.

Basketball Leagues

Parkside Place Basketball Courts

Walk-In Registration Only **\$85**

May 10 9:00am-12:00pm

May 15 7:00-9:00pm

May 17 9:00am-12:00pm

Girls Junior	Grades 7-8
Girls Intermediate	Grades 9-10
Girls Senior	Grades 10-12
Boys Junior	Grades 7-8
Boys Intermediate	Grades 9-10
Boys Senior	Grades 11-12



Soccer

Ages 3-5

Parkside Place Pavilion

NEW! TRIAL SESSION: 4/9 **Free**

Wednesday **MUST PRE-REGISTER** 1:30-2:30pm

SESSION I: 4/16-5/21 **\$89**

Wednesdays 12:15-1:15 or 1:30-2:30

SESSION 2: 6/2-7/7 **Free**

Mondays 4-5pm or 5:15-6:15pm

A fun introduction to the world of Soccer using a "Games Based Approach." Instruction by professional coaching staff.



Adult Programs

ADULT CLASSES

Dutch Language Instruction

All Levels Welcomed!

Upper Gwynedd Township Building

Ages 16+

SESSION 1: 1/16-3/6 7:00-9:00pm

SESSION 2: 3/20-5/8 7:00-9:00pm

Thursdays **\$119**

Looking for a fun and unusual way to challenge your mind? We challenge people who have little or no experience in learning languages to participate and meet with instructor Antonia Tripp who will gradually introduce you to her native language.

Pickleball Anyone?

Upper Gwynedd Township is considering the addition of a pickleball court to the Parkside Place complex.

Email questions or comments to GlennAnne Chabala at gchabala@uppergwynedd.org.



Zumba®



Ditch the Workout and Join the Party!

Ages 16+

SESSION 1: 2/10-3/17 \$42

SESSION 2: 3/31-5/5 \$42

SESSION 3: 5/12-6/23 (no class 5/26) \$42

Mondays 7:00-8pm

Join the only Latin-inspired dance-fitness program that blends red-hot international music, created by Grammy Award-winning producers, and contagious steps to form a "fitness-party" that is downright addictive.

-SPECIAL-
Sign-up for both Zumba & FuZion for only \$72! (15% discount)

FuZion



A High-Energy Dance-Based Workout!

Ages 16+

SESSION 1: 2/12-3/19 \$42

SESSION 2: 4/2-5/7 \$42

SESSION 3: 5/14-6/18 \$42

Wednesdays 7:00-8pm

This total body transformation mixes hypnotic latin rhythms and easy to follow dance moves with body sculpting exercises. A great way to create a high energy, calorie blasting total body dance/sculpt based workout.

Yogalates



Ages 16+

SESSION 1: 2/11-3/20 9:30-10:30am

SESSION 2: 4/1-5/8 9:30-10:30am

SESSION 3: 5/13-6/19 9:30-10:30am

Tuesdays and Thursdays **\$62**

Tuesdays OR Thursdays **\$36**

A blend of both yoga and pilates. Express both sides of your personality with flowing yoga poses blended with core strengthening pilates moves.

Sculpt & Define



Ages 16+

SESSION I: 2/10-3/19 6:00-7:00pm

SESSION II: 3/31-5/7 6:00-7:00pm

SESSION III: 5/12-6/23 (no class 5/26) 6:00-7:00pm

Mondays and Wednesdays **\$62**

Mondays OR Wednesdays **\$36**

Create a leaner, stronger body by challenging your muscles in this muscle toning class. Light weights and a mat are needed.

Registration Form

Please register promptly for each class or event. Nothing kills a program more quickly than last minute enrollment; programs are cancelled due to lack of enrollment. Avoid disappointment and register early! Please make checks payable to:

Upper Gwynedd Township, PO Box 1, West Point, PA 19486 (215-699-7777)

Please submit separate checks for each activity!

Name

Address

City

Zip

Home Phone

Work Phone

Email

Activity

Fee

Activity

Fee

Signature below indicates acknowledgement and acceptance of the waiver condition printed.

TOTAL

Signature

Credit cards coming soon!

WAIVER

For myself or my minor child, I assume all risks and hazards incidental to participation in the Upper Gwynedd Township Park and Recreation activity for which I am enrolling. I release, absolve, indemnify and hold harmless the Township, its organizers, representatives, employees, teachers, counselors and any other support staff, from any injuries resulting from such participation, including those incurred during transportation to and from any activities or events. Additionally, I grant irreversibly to Upper Gwynedd Township the right to use and reproduce any and all photographs, video clips and/or audio clips taken of me or my child[ren] in any form whatsoever for use in Township publications, posters, website or other media, without limitation. I waive the right to inspect or approve the finished version[s] of such images including written copy that may be connected therewith.

Medical insurance adequate for coverage of any accident, mishap, and/or injury arising out of participation in the program or any activity related thereto is required. I agree to supply such proof of coverage as may be required by the Township.

NO REFUNDS UNLESS ACTIVITY IS CANCELLED

OFFICE USE ONLY

Amount Paid \$

Check #

Date

	Township Commissioners
PRESIDENT	Kenneth E. Kroberger
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	James A. Santi
	Eugene P. Ziemba
	Thomas A. Duffy
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ASSISTANT TOWNSHIP MANAGER	Michael J. Lapinski
FINANCE DIRECTOR	David Brill
PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR	GlennAnne Chabala
ZONING & LAND DEV. COORDINATOR	E. Van Rieker
BUILDING INSPECTOR	Dan Quimby
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	Jane M. Murray



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215-699-5410 | www.northwaleslibrary.org
M - Th 10am-5pm • F 10am-5pm • Sat 10am-4pm

SERVICES

Membership is free to all Pennsylvania residents! North Wales Library provides year round programming for all age groups. Visit our web site for specifics each month. All clubs meet at the Library, no fees or registration required. Just show up and have fun!

Computers and internet access: Wireless internet access is available throughout the Library building; the Library has computers for free public use, with high quality color laser printing (per page fee applies).

Meeting rooms: Area residents and businesses are invited to use the Library's Community Rooms for public and private events, including A/V equipment, furnishings (tables and chairs), access to a kitchenette and restrooms, and a dedicated entryway for events outside of Library hours. A donation is requested for Community Room use. Call the Library to schedule your event.

EVENTS

Library Gala Dinner, Dance and Auction Saturday, January 18, 2014

Limited number of tickets available.
\$90 per person

This event is held at the Library.
Call the Library at 215-699-5410
to reserve your ticket today.

Indoor Craft Show and Garage Sale Fund Raiser

March 1st from 8:00AM to 3:00PM.
Please call or visit the website for details.

SUPPORT THE LIBRARY

You can support the Library anytime you make a purchase on Amazon. Go to **smile.amazon.com** and type in "North Wales Area Library" in the donation box. As you shop you will see a smile attached to the Amazon logo indicating that you are supporting the library and .05% of your eligible purchases will be donated to the Library!

Important Reminder About Mailbox Placement

Township work crews have reported that many residents have mailboxes that protrude over the face of the curb and/or over the paved area of Township roads. The Township is taking this opportunity to notify residents that this causes problems during snow removal efforts undertaken by the Township. Mailboxes must be installed or reinstalled so that they are even with the back (behind the curb to the property side) of the curb line and/or behind the edge of the black top where curbs do not exist. During the winter months when snow plowing operations are taking place, the opportunity that your mailbox could be hit by a snow plow will be minimized by complying with these regulations. Please be advised that should your mailbox not meet the above requirements and damage is done by a Township vehicle or contractor, you will not be compensated nor will your mailbox be replaced. ❄️

WINTER & SPRING CALENDAR

JANUARY 1	HOLIDAY: New Year's Day	OFFICES CLOSED
JANUARY 6	Re-Organization Meeting	7:30PM
JANUARY 7	Planning Commission Meeting	7:30PM
JANUARY 13	Parks & Recreation Board Meeting	7:00PM
JANUARY 21	Workshop Meeting	7:00PM
JANUARY 27	Board of Commissioners Meeting	7:30PM
FEBRUARY 3	Planning Commission Meeting	7:30PM
FEBRUARY 17	HOLIDAY: President's Day	OFFICES CLOSED
FEBRUARY 18	Workshop Meeting	7:00PM
FEBRUARY 19	Police Pension Board	3:30PM
FEBRUARY 24	Board of Commissioners Meeting	7:30PM
MARCH 3	Planning Commission Meeting	7:30PM
MARCH 10	Parks & Recreation Board Meeting	7:00PM
MARCH 18	Workshop Meeting	7:00PM
MARCH 24	Board of Commissioners Meeting	7:30PM
APRIL 7	Planning Commission Meeting	7:30PM
APRIL 15	Workshop Meeting	7:00PM
APRIL 18	HOLIDAY: Good Friday	OFFICES CLOSED
APRIL 28	Board of Commissioners Meeting	7:30PM