RESPECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT
AT SIMPSON PARK!

In January of this year, Upper Allen Township’s MS4 Coordinator met with Dr. Brian Swartz of Messiah College and Joshua Weidler of WBCM, LLC to discuss the idea of creating a rain garden in the Township. After many meetings and careful planning by seven students and their professors, they decided that Simpson Park would be the best location for this project. The benefit of this rain garden is to cut down on the run-off pollution from the parking lot to the Yellow Breeches Creek. In May, the project was completed.

The picture below captures the Messiah College students working together to build a cleaner future for tomorrow.

NOTE: It is important to understand how precious fresh water is to life. It is also important to understand that fresh water is becoming increasingly scarce due to pollution, misuse, overuse and climate change. So when someone asks us why we planted a rain garden at Simpson Park, we simply explain that we are doing our part to reduce pollution and preserve our water systems in the Yellow Breeches Creek.
On May 20, 2015, the Board of Commissioners adopted Ordinance #738, amending several sections of the Zoning Ordinance. As part of this amendment, the parking of personal vehicles, boats, campers and other recreational vehicles on the lawn is now prohibited. All vehicles that are to be parked or stored outdoors must be located within a designated driveway or parking area. Vehicles may continue to be parked or stored outside along the side or rear of the home, as long as they are on a stabilized parking area that is set back behind the building line. Boats, campers, and other recreational vehicles may not be parked on the street.

If you need to extend your driveway or add a parking area, please contact the Community Development Department for more information. A Zoning Permit will be required. Applications are available online or at the Township building.

The Upper Allen Police Department participates in A CHILD IS MISSING program, which, when activated, automatically calls all residents close to the area where the child was last seen. The automated message will ask residents to go out in their yard and look around. If you see the child, you are to contact the police. This program allows the Police Department to notify you of missing children up to 18 years of age, and missing Alzheimer’s patients.
UPPER ALLEN TOWNSHIP IMPLMENTS FATS, OILS AND GREASE (FOG) PROGRAM

The discharge of fats, oils or grease (FOG) into the public sanitary sewer system can lead to sewer blockages, backups and overflows, unsanitary conditions, and expensive grease removal, clean-up and maintenance costs. Recognizing that this is a problem in our public sewers, the Township has taken action to help reduce FOG entering the sanitary sewer system.

The owners of all commercial and institutional facilities engaged in the preparation of food, as well as car washes and automotive or machinery repair or service facilities, must now comply with new policies adopted by the Township with regard to on-site grease interceptors, grease traps, and oil separators. The Township Board of Commissioners adopted revisions to the Township Code effective July 1, 2014. Under Section 200-3.13 of the regulation, grease interceptors, grease traps, and oil separators are required whenever the wastewater contains fats, oils or grease (FOG). Paragraph C of this section also requires grease interceptor, grease trap, and oil separator permitting and periodic inspection and pumping of these facilities. Inspection and permitting of qualified facilities are currently underway by the Township and their Engineer. FOG may be a problem in residential homes as well. As this material is washed down the sink, grease from meat fats, lard, oil, shortening, butter, margarine, food scraps, baked goods, sauces and dairy products sticks to the insides of sewer pipes. Over time it can build up and block an entire pipe on your property or in the street. Note that home garbage disposals do not keep grease out of the plumbing system. In addition, hot water and products such as detergents that claim to dissolve grease only pass these materials down the line and cause problems elsewhere. Sewage overflows resulting from grease in the sewer system often result in unsanitary conditions and can also mean expensive clean-up costs for involved home or business owners.

KITCHEN BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (BMPs) FOR FATS, OILS, AND GREASE

The best way to stop FOG from building up in sewer lines is to prevent it from entering drains, by using “Kitchen Best Management Practices” as indicated below.

**Commercial and Institutional Facilities**

- **Train employees in proper use of Best Management Practices, including proper methods of FOG disposal.**
- **Prominently display “No Grease” signs in the workplace.**
- **Install screens in all kitchen drains.**
- **Do not pour cooking water over 140°F down drains if they are connected to grease interceptors or traps.**
- **Pour all cooking grease (yellow grease) and liquid oil into a covered grease container for recycling.**
- **Dispose of grease by using a permitted waste collection company or authorized rendering/recycling facility.**
- **Scrape or dry-wipe excess food and grease from pots, pans, fryers and other kitchenware and dispose of in trash or recycling container.**
- **Dispose of food waste by recycling or placing in trash receptacle.**
- **Do not introduce enzymes, emulsifying agents or bacteria to drains or grease interceptors or traps.**

**Residential Homes**

- **Never put grease, fats or oil of any type down your sink, drain, toilets, or garbage disposal.**
- **Scrape grease and food scraps into a can or the trash for disposal or recycling (where available).**
- **Put baskets or strainers in sink drains to catch food scraps and other solids, and then empty them into the trash.**

The above guidelines also apply to those homes serviced by an on-lot sewage disposal system.
2014 AWARD WINNERS!

Mike Leininger received the Top Driver Award

Milt Black received the Top Fire Police Responder

Ryan Kunkel received the “Monty Kreiger” Go-to-Award for 2014

FIRE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES RECOGNITION

On September 19, 2014, Upper Allen Fire Department was called out to a Medical Assist with a patient in cardiac arrest in the parking lot of the Weis Market store on Bumble Bee Hollow Road. Upper Allen Police Department, along with EMS from Lower Allen, were also dispatched and assisted. The patient was successfully resuscitated and transported to hospital. The Firefighters that responded were Fire Chief Jim Salter, Deputy Chief Thomas Shumberger, Asst. Chief Kris Kaminski, Lieutenant Cameron Wilkinson, Lieutenant Scott Keener, Firefighter Kevin Bambrick, Firefighter Kevin Prest, and Firefighter Zach Shumberger. In response to their hard work the Emergency Health Services Federation gave them the award for a Clinical Save for their efforts.

LETTER TO THE FIREFIGHTERS: The Emergency Health Services Federation would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you for your excellent care you provided to a citizen in your response area on 19 September 2014. Through your quick response and combined 911 system, AED, CPR, BLS and efforts of ALS care this patient was successfully resuscitated and transported to hospital, where they received further care, and our understanding is they are home and doing well.

Were it not for the quick response with the use of the AED and CPR, and the dispatch of the 911 system for BLS/ALS service, this person would never have had a chance of survival. We would like to congratulate you and your special efforts.

We commend you on your commitment to the community through working in the emergency services system and supporting the EMS programs in the county. Time is the critical factor when dealing with cardiac arrest. The sooner someone can be dispatched with defibrillation capabilities the better chance of survival. With help from emergency response team practitioners, we will continue to fight the battle against sudden cardiac death.

Sincerely,

Steven Lyle, Executive Director
MEETING DATES

July
9  Public Improvements - 7:30 a.m.
9  Zoning Hearing Board - 6:00 p.m.
13  Administration - 7:30 a.m.
15  Board of Commissioners - 6:30 p.m.
21  HARB - 7:00 p.m.
22  Parks & Recreation - 6:30 p.m.
23  Sewer Advisory Board - 7:00 p.m.
27  Planning Commission - 7:00 p.m.

August
5  Board of Commissioners - 6:30 p.m.
   (if needed)
10  Pension Board - 7:30 a.m.
10  Administration - 8:00 a.m.
12  Public Safety - 7:30 p.m.
13  Public Improvements - 7:30 a.m.
13  Zoning Hearing Board - 6:00 p.m.
18  HARB - 7:00 p.m.
19  Board of Commissioners - 6:30 p.m.
26  Parks & Recreation - 6:30 p.m.
27  Sewer Advisory Board - 7:00 p.m.
31  Planning Commission - 7:00 p.m.

September
2  Board of Commissioners - 6:30 p.m.
10  Public Improvements - 7:30 a.m.
10  Zoning Hearing Board - 6:00 p.m.
15  HARB - 7:00 p.m.
16  Budget Kick Off - 5:30 p.m.
16  Board of Commissioners - 6:30 p.m.
23  Parks & Recreation - 6:30 p.m.
24  Sewer Advisory Board - 7:00 p.m.
28  Planning Commission - 7:00 p.m.

The Township Offices will be closed on the following Holidays:
   Friday, July 3 - Independence Day
   Monday, September 7 - Labor Day
5th Annual Tri4Kids
Come "Ride, Glide, Dip and Dive" your way through this fun, exciting event to be held this summer! Our 5th Annual Tri4Kids is open to all students ages 5-18 who have an interest in what it would be like competing in a triathlon (swim, bike, run)! Our event is a friendly competition and meant to introduce children to the sport by getting them physically active at an early age. Race distances will vary based on age. T-shirt not guaranteed if registered after June 25th.
Race Date: Saturday, July 25
Entry Fee: $25 - After May 1, $35 - Day of $40
Location: Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Park
Registration: 8:00 a.m.

Fall Exercise Classes - Let us help you reach your goal.
The second week of September, try any of our scheduled exercise classes for FREE. Then register for any of the session I Adult Exercise Programs for a one-time fee. See all the Adult Exercise Programs listed in the Fall Brochure coming out the last week in August. The brochure can be viewed online at www.mbgsd.org.

NEW! 2015-2016 Recreation Basketball
Registration will be accepted July 13 - Sept 26. Contact the Recreation Office at 691-4572 with questions or to register.

Field Hockey with League Play
This is a program that will focus on developing skills by providing opportunities for game experience. Practices will be held from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday nights, Aug 10 - Aug 26. Practices will then be held on Wednesday nights, Sep 2 - Oct 7 and games will be held between 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. on Sundays. Participants must be ages 5 -12 as of September 1, 2015. Register NOW!
Age: U8 - U13
Location: Middle School Field Hockey Field
Instructors: Michelle Teeter, Cheri Teeter
Session: Aug 10 - Nov 7
Fee: $99

Elementary Co-ed Soccer and Soccer Shots
Kick into “Fun”damentals and enjoy recreational soccer. Players will learn basic skills and participate in pick-up games each night. Look for more information in the Fall Brochure and online at www.mbgsd.org. Registration will begin the middle of August.
MECHANICSBURG MUSEUM EVENTS

Museum Exhibit – “Quilts with a Twist: Mechanicsburg Under Covers” – Runs June 20, 2015 through October 17, 2015. This exhibit features quilts and coverlets from Mechanicsburg Area and Beyond. The exhibit will be open and free to the public Wednesdays thru Saturdays, noon until 3:00, at the Freight Station, 3 West Allen Street.

“Porches, Ponds & Gardens Tour” – Museum Fundraiser. July 18, 2015. Tour beautiful gardens in the Mechanicsburg area at your own pace and enjoy a flower show at the Passenger Station. Tickets available at the Museum, The Rosemary House & The Garden Bouquet. Tickets are $10 in advance or $12 the day of the Tour.

Town Sidewalk Sale - Saturday, August 8, 2015. The Museum is selling spaces around the Passenger Station for $10 a space for that Saturday. You must provide your own tables. To reserve a space, call the museum at 697-6088.

“The Battle of Antietam: The Bloodiest Day” – Lifetime Enrichment Program presented by Ted Alexander, Chief Historian, Antietam National Battlefield. The date is September 13, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. at the Passenger Station. Museum members and children under 13 are free of charge; $4 for non-members.

“The Revolutionary War in the Susquehanna River Basin Region” – Lifetime Enrichment Program presented by Stephen Runkle, Historian. September 23, 2015 at 12:00 noon at the Passenger Station. Museum members and children under 13 are free of charge; $4 for non-members.

“The Philadelphia Campaign of the Revolutionary War” – Lifetime Enrichment Program presented by Stephen Runkle, Historian. September 30, 2015, at 12:00 noon at the Passenger Station. Museum members and children under 13 are free of charge; $4 for non-members.

"The more you know about the past, the better prepared you are for the future. Benjamin Franklin
“Strengthening Our Schools & Community”

Join Us for Two Upcoming Events and Help Support the Children within Mechanicsburg Area School District!

6th Annual Wildcat Foundation Golf Tournament
Friday, August 21, 2015
Range End Golf Course, Dillsburg, PA

Tournament Format:
Best Ball; shotgun start @ 1:30 pm.

Registration Fee of $85 Includes:
- 18 holes of championship golf
- Boxed lunch & dinner
- Top team prizes
- Hole in one contest
- Putting challenge
- Skill contests
- 19th Hole awards reception
- Commemorative gift
- Team keepsake photos
- And much more!

Sponsorship opportunities available - $150 Hole Sponsor through $3,500 Title Sponsor

Wildcat Foundation Community Day
Saturday, October 3, 2015
Mechanicsburg Middle School in the side parking lot

Event Information:
10 a.m. – 1 p.m., rain or shine
Family booths & activities
Chicken BBQ

Vendor space is available – free for nonprofits & only $25 for businesses!

For more details, visit www.wildcatfoundation.org or contact Carole Bruce at 691-4505 or cbruce@mbqsd.org.
If you have any questions about recycling televisions and electronics, please visit the website for Cumberland County Recycling at http://www.ccpa.net/124/Recycling-Waste, or call 717-240-6489. The office answers questions such as:

- Where can I recycle a TV?
- Where can I recycle computers and other electronic equipment?
- Where can I get rid of unwanted household products such as pesticides and fertilizers?
- What is compost and how can I get started?
- Where can I get rid of old, unwanted, large appliances?

He is wise who knows the sources of knowledge - where it is written and where it is to be found.

~ A.A. Hodges
LABOROR I - HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE POSITION

Upper Allen Township Public Works Department is seeking applicants for an entry level Laborer 1 position. The successful applicant must be able to perform all of the requirements of the job description. Current PA Class B or higher commercial driver’s license is preferred. For more information, please visit our website at www.uatwp.org and click on Employment and Employment Listings.