

Community Day—2017



Upper Nazareth Township Community Day has come and gone, however, the memories of those two days in August are still vividly imprinted on our minds. Planning for this event began in early 2017 when snow was still on the ground. The committee agreed that it was time to expand on an already exciting event that had enjoyed two successful years in a row. Carnival rides were introduced this year as a way to add even more fun for the kids, and the event was expanded to two days for the first time. These additions were welcomed by many as Tuskes Park was transformed from a spacious park into a beacon that shone brightly in the evening sky. The weather could not have been any better considering the bright blue skies and crisp fall-like temperatures in the evenings.

Community Day featured many different foods brought to you by a host of vendors that kept many patrons coming back for seconds. The Upper Nazareth Fire Department and the Nazareth Borough Fire Department combined forces under the big top to provide a delicious menu that included clams, rib eye sandwiches and of course a side of fresh cut fries. Other food vendors included Rice & Beans, Jimmy Lee & Momma D's, Rita's Italian Ice, and the Cool Treats Ice Cream Truck.

The sun went down on Saturday night and the stage was set for a magnificent fireworks display. This year's show was sponsored by the Upper Nazareth Fire Department along with the East Lawn Social Club. The lights in the park were dimmed and the crowds gathered to watch. They were not disappointed! Many were left speechless after this almost 20 minute show lit up the night sky. The sight of so many in our community gathering and celebrating together was breathtaking. This was certainly the perfect ending to a perfect weekend.



An event of this size would not be possible without committed volunteers to plan and execute such an event. Community Day Chairman, Will Austin, along with members of the Recreation Board and the Community Day Committee worked tirelessly for months. The township office staff also must be recognized as they aided with the communications between vendors and the committee and also ensured proper accounting which was no small undertaking. The Upper Nazareth Township Public Works Department, under the leadership of Director Shawn Shupe, were the boots on the ground and were the first ones at the park early in the week and the last ones to leave. Police Chief Cope was on site along with several of his officers to provide not only site security, but also to introduce his department. His officers provided tours of their newest police car, assisted with children's fingerprinting, and also handed out badges for the little ones. A big thank you to all Township staff and volunteers!

Lastly, a special thank you goes out to Nonweiler Amusements as well as all of the vendors, performers, and our very generous sponsors, without whom we wouldn't have Community Days!

Interested on serving on next year's Community Day Committee?

Please call the Township office for more information!

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STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Understanding the MS4 Program

A presentation explaining the MS4 program (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) was presented by our Township Engineer during the June 21, 2017 Board of Supervisors meeting. A brief summary of the MS4 program requirements are outlined below.

What is the MS4 Program? Municipalities throughout the country are under a federal mandate to develop a stormwater management program to reduce pollution impacts from stormwater runoff. An MS4 is made up of drainage systems including streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ponds, ditches, man-made channels and storm pipes owned by a state, county, city, town, township, borough or other public entity. Polluted runoff is often transported through municipal drainage systems until it eventually discharges into streams, lakes, and rivers untreated.

MS4 Programs are intended to improve our nation's surface waters by reducing the quantities of pollutants that are picked up by runoff and transported into the storm sewer systems during rainfall events. As part of the MS4 Program, municipalities hold a permit to discharge storm water into local waterways. Upper Nazareth Township was issued an MS4 Permit through the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) and the Federal Environmental Protection Agency. This permit requires Upper Nazareth Township to implement and maintain a storm water management program that (1) reduces the discharge of pollutants to the maximum extent possible; (2) protects water quality; and (3) satisfies the water quality requirements of the Federal Clean Water Act.

The MS4 program has six elements termed "minimum control measures" that when implemented should result in significant reduction in pollutants discharged into receiving waters. The six minimum control measures include the following:

1. Public Education and Outreach
2. Public Participation and Involvement
3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
4. Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control
5. Post Construction Stormwater Management (in New Development and Redevelopment)
6. Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping—***YOU CAN HELP!***



This may seem like a daunting task but every little bit helps. On a daily basis, we can all do our share. Here are just a few suggestions:

- Never dump anything into storm drains, swales or streams.
- Instead of hosing your car off in the driveway, use a commercial car wash.
- Use a salt-free deicer like "SafePaw" instead of rock salt.
- Recycle motor oil, paint, and other hazardous chemicals. Never dump such materials down the drain or into the storm system.
- Always pick up your pet's waste so harmful bacteria can't get into our water!

Keep your eyes and ears out for more information in future newsletters, on our website, and public meeting announcements as we continue to work our way toward developing a program to keep pollution out of our waterways.

RECYCLING

Have a Red and Greener Holiday Season



Let's Recycle Right!

Trash cans overflow during this season as we generate over 25% more waste than usual.

Let's think greener!

Holiday Recycling Tips:

- Wrapping paper is recyclable unless it is metallic, shiny or laminated. No ribbons, bows or decorations, etc.
- Wrap with natural fibers like paper newsprint, paper grocery bags, or better yet use gift bags that are reusable!
- Don't forget all your cardboard shipping and gift boxes. Break them down to save space.
- Use Christmas and holiday cards as ornaments, or for crafts and gift tags.
- Before the holidays, clean out and re-gift, or donate last year's gifts such as toys, clothing, games, etc.
- Replace old high-energy-use tree lights with energy efficient LED lights which saves energy and money.
- Buy a live holiday tree and plant it after the holiday.
- Entertaining? All bottles and glass and plastics #1 – 7 can be recycled.
- Bring unwanted gifts to Via, American Family Services, church rummage sales, or other charitable organizations
- Packing peanuts and other packing materials can be brought to your local shipping store for recycling.

No, No, No....Not in the Recycling Container!

No soiled paper cups, napkins, plates and paper towels or plastic forks, spoons and knives – they are not recyclable.

No pizza boxes or other items if they are contaminated with food

No plastic shopping bags, please!

Have a safe and green holiday season!

For more recycling tips and updates, be sure to check the Township's website or the "Upper Nazareth Township" Facebook Page.

Interested in volunteering on the Township's Recycling Committee? Please contact the Township office for more information or come to a Recycling Committee meeting, held on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 at the Township building!

PUBLIC WORKS



FALL 2018 LEAF COLLECTIONS

The Upper Nazareth Township leaf collection program will begin mid October 2017. The collection will begin once a sufficient amount of leaves have fallen. Please have your leaves curbside. No sticks, feces, garbage, potted plants or grass. If any of this debris is in your leaves they will not be picked up. The leaf pick up schedule will be posted (once start date is determined) on our website: www.uppernazarethtownship.org under the “DEPARTMENTS — Public Works” tab. **Please keep storm drains free of debris!**

November 18, 2017 will be the last day to drop off your yard waste at the Yard Waste Facility.

CHRISTMAS TREE CURBSIDE COLLECTION: JANUARY 2, 2018 TO JANUARY 26, 2018

CHRISTMAS TREES ONLY! TREES WILL NOT BE PICKED UP if all the tinsel, garland, and ornaments are still on the trees. Please **DO NOT** leave any tree carry bags or wreaths.

(Trees will NOT be accepted at the Friedenstahl or Daniels Road Garages—Illegal Dumping may result in fines)

The schedule is posted on our website: www.uppernazarethtownship.org under the “DEPARTMENTS — Public Works” tab. Please place trees curbside like you did with your leaves. Garbage and Yard Waste will **NOT** be collected.



SNOW PLOWING

DURING PLOWABLE SNOW EVENTS, PLEASE HAVE YOUR CARS OFF THE STREET!

PLEASE HAVE BASKETBALL HOOPS OUT OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY. IF DAMAGED BY ANY TRUCKS, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY!

On 1/18/17, the Board of Supervisors passed Resolution No. 17-06: Mailbox Replacement Policy for Snow and Plow Related Damages. To view the Resolution please go to www.uppernazarethtownship.org



Police Department/Emergency Management



October 31, 2017
4:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Upper Nazareth Township Police
Department
100 Newport Avenue

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Residents with special medical conditions who may require extra accommodations or special attention during emergencies (natural disasters, power outages, etc.) please contact the Township at 610-759-5341, so that your information can be documented in the Township’s Emergency Management Plan. This will NOT be public information.

EMERGENCY DIAL 911
Non-Emergency: 610-759-2200
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REAL ESTATE

Each property owner receives 3 Real Estate Tax bills per year:

All 3 bills can be paid online!



Northampton County: <http://www.northamptoncounty.org/northampton/cwp/view.asp?a=1525&q=620455>

Upper Nazareth Township: <http://uppernazarethtownship.org/tax-info>

Please select the Township Tax link for payment. You must enter your current bill # in the reference ID box.

Nazareth Area School District: <http://uppernazarethtownship.org/tax-info>

Please select the School Tax link for payment.

ONLY Upper Nazareth Township Real Estate Tax Bills can be dropped off at our **Drop Box Location** outside the Upper Nazareth Township Municipal Building. Please DO NOT drop off your County or School District Tax bills here!

Each taxing body uses a different payment processing company for their payments and they cannot be interchanged. If an incorrect payment is made all fees may not be refundable and additional fees may be added.

If you are unsure which link to use please call 610-442-1653 **before** you make your payment.

The final day to pay your Upper Nazareth Township Real Estate Tax Bill is Thursday, December 14, 2017. All unpaid bills after that date will be sent to Northampton County Tax Claim for collection.

Fire Department

This is an exciting year for our Volunteer Fire Department of Upper Nazareth Township. This year we celebrate 75 years of service to the township! The volunteer firefighters will celebrate our 75th anniversary with a banquet later this year to mark this milestone. The UNFD started out of a small service garage in 1942 and expanded over the years as the township grew. With this we have more exciting news to report. At our general Fire Department meeting in June we voted unanimously to expand our fire station with construction of 4 additional garage bays to be built on the grassy section on the west side of our current building. With the plans going forward with design and procuring funding through possible grants, donations and fund raising we hope this will come to fruition and break ground next year. This expansion will allow us to house our fire apparatus and fire prevention trailer that are sitting in the parking lot.



We would like to announce that earlier this year we purchased a new 2017 Polaris Ranger 6 X 6 off road vehicle. This vehicle will continue our enhancement in fields, wildlands, and off road rescue operations where the typical rescue emergency vehicle is unable to access an injured or distressed person. This off road unit was procured through a PEMA grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Recently we also received a grant from Pennsylvania American Water Authority to offset the cost of emergency lighting for this vehicle.



We'd like to thank all the residents who came out to see and support us at Upper Nazareth Community Days. The food, music, rides and fireworks were enjoyed by all. This event was bigger this year and was a huge success.

One last thing in closing of this exciting year, as winter approaches in the coming months, please clear your hydrants in front or near your residence and regularly check your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and, as always, be safe!

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100 NEWPORT AVENUE
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RESIDENT

**UPPER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP
2017 FALL—WINTER PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULE**

All meetings to be held in the Township building located at 100 Newport Ave., Nazareth.

	Board of Supervisors 7:00 PM	Planning Commission 7:00 PM	Recreation Board 7:30 PM	Zoning Hearing Board (as needed) 6:30 PM
OCTOBER	4TH & 18TH	12TH	17TH	25TH
NOVEMBER	1ST & 15TH	9TH	21ST	29TH
DECEMBER	6TH & 20TH	14TH	19TH	27TH
JANUARY	2ND			

**UPPER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP 2018 COMMUNITY DAYS
WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST 24TH AND 25TH AT TUSKES
COMMUNITY PARK**