

# PENNSBURY TOWNSHIP NEWS

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## TOWNSHIP SPRING CLEANUP DATES

### BRANCH PICKUP

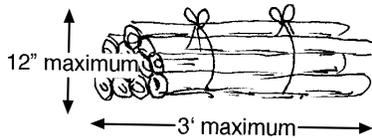
**April 11 - 15**

The crew will come by only **ONCE** during the week so be sure to have your branches out early. They will not be collected unless they are properly prepared. If you have questions, call Roadmaster, Dave Allen at 610-388-9180.

This program is for residents to get rid of fallen limbs or small trees, **IT IS NOT TO BE USED AS A COMMERCIAL TREE SERVICE OR FOR LOT CLEARING.**

#### Preparation of brush and limbs

- Brush and limbs must be from your Pennsbury Township property.
- Roots, stumps and limbs with wire and/or nails will NOT be picked up.
- All brush and limbs must be in the right of way.
- Dry, dead brush and tree limbs must be tied in bundles 3' long or less and no greater than 12" in diameter.
- Fresh-cut (green) limbs, 2" in diameter and larger, should be left full length, placed along roadside with large ends closest to the road, not in a random pile.
- Limit of 8 bundles of brush and/or tree limbs and a limit of 10 fresh cut branches per property.



### DUMPSTER

**Wednesday, May 4 (5:30am -**

**3:30pm)**

**Thursday, May 5 (5:30am - 3:30pm)**

**Saturday, May 7 (9 am to 5pm)**

Pennsbury Township residents **ONLY** will have access to the dumpster and proof of residency may be asked. The dumpster will be located near the maintenance garage and will be manned by Township personnel.

The following charges will apply (pay by cash or check made out to Pennsbury Township):

- \$4.00 for each car tire     \$8.00 for each car tire with a rim
- \$10 for each truck tire     \$15 for each truck tire with a rim
- \$15 per refrigerator or air conditioner - freon recovery fee

**NO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.** Household Hazardous Waste Collection dates will appear in the calendar during the year.

### ROADSIDE CLEANUP

**Saturday, May 7**

This is a great opportunity for scout groups and neighbors to get together to enhance our community by picking up trash along township roads. Bags and road vests are available for volunteers by calling the township office. Trash bags may be left by the side of the roads and will be picked up by the road crew.

### YARD SALE

**Saturday, April 30 (9am-2pm)**

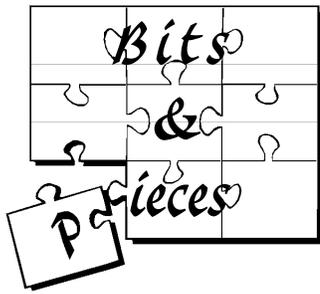
Start sorting your unwanted household items for this event to be held in the Township Park behind the Township Building. Details will be sent out in April by the Yard Sale Committee. This has been very popular so come out and enjoy the fun of buying and selling "treasures". Rain date will be Saturday, May 8.

**PENNSBURY TOWNSHIP**  
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Chadds Ford, PA 19317

610-388-7323  
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khowley@pennsbury.pa.us

Office Hours:  
8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
Monday - Thursday  
Kathleen Howley, Twp. Manager

**SUPERVISORS**  
Wendell Fenton, Chair  
Scotty Scottoline, Vice Chair  
Aaron McIntyre



## **BRINTONS BRIDGE ROAD IS OPEN!**

### **❖ 2011 TAX BILLS**

Tax bills have been mailed. Berkheimer Assoc. continues to collect the property tax.

Under the State's new Earned Income Tax Collection Consolidation Act, the earned income tax will be collected for all of Chester County by Keystone Collections.

### **❖ PARK NEWS**

**Park Committee** — is at work planning the details for park activity this year. All residents are welcome to help or if you have any ideas for events, contact the Township Office.

**Farmers Market** — will be returning between Memorial Day and Labor Day with more vendors.

**Picnic in the Park** — This summer community event is in the planning stage.

**Bark Park** — is almost finished. Benches, signs and other details should be completed before summer is here.

**Dog Walkers** — Dogs must be on a leash unless

they are in the Bark Park. This is especially important because during the spring and summer there will be soccer and lacrosse groups using the park fields for practice.

**Park Entrance** — *Please remember to enter and exit the park from the entrance in the parking lot.* All other areas are private property or township maintenance facilities which are not open to the public.

### **❖ POTHOLES**

PennDot's number to call to report a pothole on a state road is 1-800-FIX-ROAD.

### **❖ PERMIT NEEDED**

A permit must be obtained when resurfacing a driveway. Applications are on the Township website or can be obtained by calling Road Master Dave Allen at 610-388-9180. Please note that a permit is not needed for sealing a driveway.

### **❖ CENSUS RESULTS**

Some figures from the 2010 U.S. Census report for Pennsbury Township:

- Population increased from 3,500 in 2000 census to 3,686,
- 32% of its population is over 65 years of age,
- 52% is female,
- 93% is white, 2.5% Asian, 2% African American and 2% Hispanic,
- 71% have a bachelor's de-

gree or higher,  
•68 % are married.

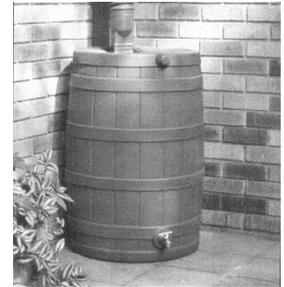
### **❖ CAMP CADET**

The Pennsylvania State Police Camp Cadet of Chester County is conducting a free week long overnight summer camp for boys and girls, ages 11 to 13. It will be held August 14 to 20 at Camp Sankanac in East Vincent Township. There is no charge to attend the camp, which is structured similar to training at the State Police Academy. Troopers, municipal police officers and deputy sheriffs serve as counselors and instructors. More information

and applications at:  
[www.cccampcadet.org](http://www.cccampcadet.org)

### **❖ RAINBARRELS**

The Chester County Conservation District is selling rain barrels. This is a great way to help the environment! The barrels are \$100.00 each. For more information and sale location, call the Conservation District at 610-925-4920, ext.100.

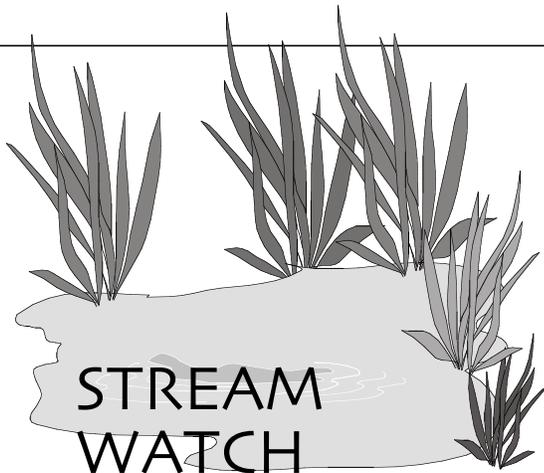


## **Townwatch News**

Pennsbury Townwatch has made the following donations to the State Police and Pennsbury Township:

- \$665.00 to the State Police for a DVD duplicator and a DVD recorder. The funding of this new and additional equipment will help them speed up prosecution of criminals.
- \$500.00 for a Unionville High School Scholarship. This is our ongoing scholarship to a student from Unionville High School who will be pursuing further education in criminal studies.
- \$400.00 to the Chadds Ford Elementary School Pedestrian Safety and First Aid Program. Funds will be used to assist the elementary school with safety and first aid training at a school event this spring.
- \$500.00 for radios/scanners for Township highway trucks. This will provide a critical upgrade for our trucks. (The Township thanks Townwatch for this improvement!!)

The ever popular 55 Alive Refresher course will be offered this fall. This is designed to update those who have taken the two-session 55 Alive course and will allow you to continue an insurance discount.



# STREAM WATCH WORKSHOP

Sponsored by the  
Pennsbury Land Trust

Healthy local streams are critical to a pure drinking water supply for ourselves and wildlife. Join this practical, hands-on workshop to learn how to assess and monitor our streams using simple biological and chemical tests. Find out how you can be part of our Stream Watch team. Equipment, handouts, and refreshments provided. Suitable for adults and children ages 10 and up. Wear outdoor clothes and shoes that can get wet and muddy.

The workshop is facilitated by Kathy Bergmann, Coordinator of the Brandywine Valley Association's Red Streams Blue Program which is dedicated to improving the water quality of the Brandywine Watershed.

**Where:** Meet at Pennsbury Township Municipal Building, 702 Baltimore Pike, Chadds Ford, 19317 for an introduction before carpooling to a nearby stream.

**When:** Saturday, April 16 – 9:30am-12:30 pm

**Cost:** FREE, Pre registration is required. REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 11

**To register:**  
Call Pennsbury Land Trust at 610-388-7401 and leave your name, phone number, and the number of people you are registering. Or email: [info@pennsburylandtrust.org](mailto:info@pennsburylandtrust.org)

## Audit Report for 2010

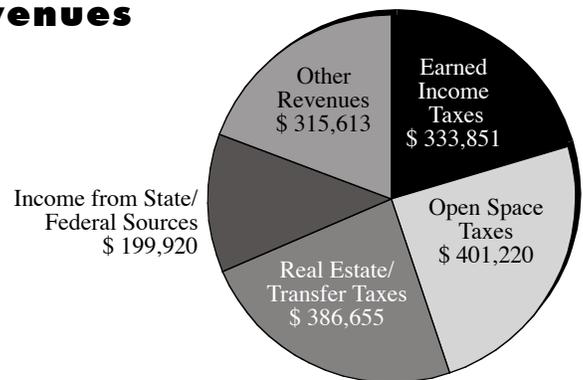
Records were kept in good order and there were no adverse findings. Township employees who handle money are duly bonded.

PENNSBURY TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY, PA

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

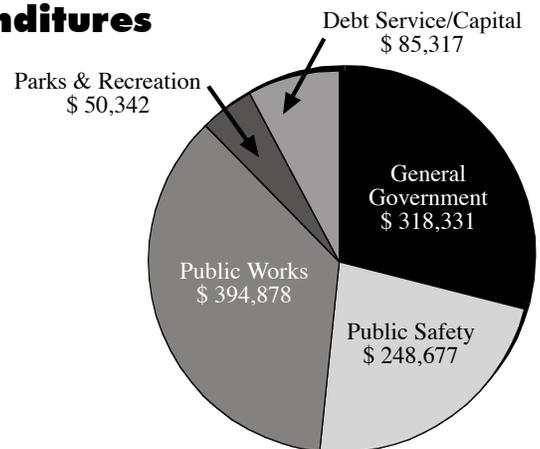
Net Assets as of 1/1/10 ..... \$ 1,847,283

### Revenues



Total Revenues ..... \$ 1,637,259

### Expenditures



Total Expenditures ..... \$ 1,097,545

Net Assets as of 12/31/10 ..... \$ 2,386,997

Outstanding Debt at 12/31/10 = \$ 751,000

Umbreit, Korengel & Associates, P.C., Certified Public Accountants  
714 E. Baltimore Pike, Kennett Square, PA 19348

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## A Pennsbury Historic Structure

### PARKERSVILLE FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE

When William Penn declared that religious freedom would prevail in Pennsylvania, Quakers were among the first settlers to arrive. By the 1800's, many residents in Pennsbury Township were members of the Society of Friends, attending services at the Kennett Meeting House near Hamorton on Route 1.

Parkersville Meeting House, located on the east side of Parkersville Road, was built in 1830 as a result of a division that occurred at the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of the Society of Friends in 1827. Many Quaker Meetings in the region experienced the withdrawal of part of their group at this time and the formation of new Meetings.

The Parkersville Society of Friends conducted services initially in an octagonal schoolhouse no longer in existence, just north of the present site of the Meeting House. Contributions of \$722.50 were donated by local families and a small parcel of land was given by Isaac Bennett and John Parker, a Quaker minister, who lived on the nearby farm of his father, Abraham Parker. John Parker Jr., a stone mason and the postmaster of Parkersville, built the Meeting House.

Facing southwest, the Meeting House is a one story example of the Quaker Plan. The modest field stone building has two front doors, a left one for men, and a right one for women. Four double hung windows with paneled shutters are balanced one on each side of the two doors on the front facade. Windows and attached bath rooms are placed on the gable ends.

The structure has two gabled porch roofs over the separate front doors, but an early 20th century photo shows one long flat roofed porch, which probably was added later in the 19th century. A small, well kept cemetery lies peacefully behind the Meeting House, the resting place of early Township residents, protected by a low stone wall.

By 1905 weekly services were no longer held at Parkersville Meeting, a sign of the changing nature of the village and lessening of the division within the Society of Friends. In 1917, a fire seriously damaged the Meeting House, yet by 1919, the building was repaired with a refitted interior,

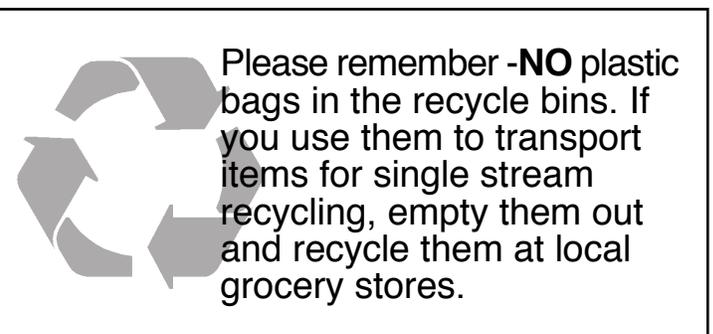


including the preserved original benches. Monthly Meeting was finally discontinued in 1939.

For many years, Parkersville Meeting was opened only in August or early September for its Annual Meeting. However, in recent years weekly Meetings have resumed. A Board of Trustees, appointed by the Western Quarter of the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, cares for the building and grounds.

The Parkersville Friends Meeting is included in the Pennsbury Township Historic Resources Survey, completed in 2009, and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Township Historical Commission has applied for a State grant to complete the process of listing Parkersville Village, including the Meeting House, on the National Register, which would make it the second "village" the Township has listed, the first being Fairville Village on Route 52. The Historic Resources Survey is available to the public at the Township Office.

*Lynn Luft*



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# PENNSBURY TOWNSHIP DIRECTORY 2011

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**Supervisors  
(elected 6 yr term)**  
Meet: 3rd Wednesday  
7:00 p.m.  
Wendell Fenton, Chair  
610-388-6861  
[fenton@rlf.com](mailto:fenton@rlf.com)  
Scotty Scottoline, V. Chair  
610-793-3591  
[scottoline@pennsbury.pa.us](mailto:scottoline@pennsbury.pa.us)  
Aaron McIntyre  
610-388-9795  
[mcintyre@pennsbury.pa.us](mailto:mcintyre@pennsbury.pa.us)

**Township Manager**  
Kathleen Howley  
610-388-7323

**Assistant Secretary**  
Lula Mae Sears

**Tax Collector  
(elected 4 yr term)**  
Mary Wood

**Code Enforcement Officer**  
Russell Drumheller  
610-388-1790

**Solicitor**  
Tom Oeste, Esq.  
610-696-2208

**Township Engineer**  
Matthew Houtmann  
610-565-6363

**Roadcrew**  
David Allen, Roadmaster  
610-388-9180

Pete Laws  
Jeffrey Miller  
Patrick Yerkes

**Constable  
(elected 6 yr term)**  
Harry McKinney

**Planning Commission**  
Meets: 2nd & 4th Tuesday  
7:00 p.m.  
Robert Crandell, Chair  
Lynn Luft, V. Chair  
Margo Leach, Sec.  
Troy Brady  
Chip Horne  
Jim Ware

**Zoning Hearing Board**  
John Herdeg  
Greg McCauley  
James Porter

**Township Auditors  
(elected 6 yr term)**  
Ed Southerling, Chair  
Adelaide Jones, Sec.  
Geoff Langdan

**Traffic Safety Committee**  
Jim Fisher  
Frank Schweitzer  
Barry Levin  
Ginger Mitch  
Tom Scattolino

**SECCRA & Recycling**  
Fred DeVries

**Emergency Management**  
Lloyd Roach,  
Emergency Management  
Coordinator

Art Bielby  
Barbara Camp  
Dick Camp  
Joseph Evans  
Ginger Mitch  
Jim Sears

**Historical Commission**  
Barbara Camp  
Mariann Cameron  
Robert MacDonnell  
Anne Wattman  
Rusty Drumheller, non-voting

**Rt 52 Scenic Byway Com.**  
Alma Forsyth  
Michael Lane

**Vacancy Board**  
Robert Luft

**Bayard Taylor Library Board**  
Susan MacDonnell

**Newsletter Editor**  
Sallie Corbishley

**Computer Assistant**  
Adam Peterson

**Financial Assistant**  
Barbara Biedekapp

**Animal Control Officer**  
Chester County SPCA  
610-692-6113

**State Police at Avondale  
(non emergency)**  
610-268-2022

**To Report Road Kill:**  
On US 1 - PennDot  
484-340-3200  
All other roads -  
PA Game Commission  
610-926-3136

**UNIONVILLE-  
CHADDS FORD  
SCHOOL DISTRICT  
(elected 4 yr term)  
District C**  
Paul Price  
610-388-1119  
Timotha B. Trigg  
610-388-6220  
Frank Murphy  
484-841-6371

## ELECTED FEDERAL OFFICIALS

**U.S. Senator  
Robert P. Casey (12)**  
555 Walnut St., 1st floor  
Harrisburg, PA 17101  
717-231-7450  
Web: <http://casey.senate.gov>

**U.S. Senator  
Patrick J. Toomey (16)**  
600 Arch Street, Suite 9400  
Philadelphia, PA 19106  
215-597-7200  
Web: <http://toomey.senate.gov>

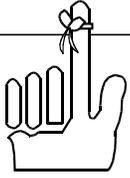
**U.S. Congress, District #16  
Joseph Pitts (10)**  
P.O. Box 837  
Unionville, PA 19375  
610-444-4581  
Web: <http://house.gov.pitts>

## ELECTED STATE OFFICIALS

**State Senator, District #9  
Dominic Pileggi (12)**  
100 Granite Dr., Suite 105  
Media, PA 19063  
610-565-9100  
Web: [www.senatorpileggi.com](http://www.senatorpileggi.com)

**State Representative,  
District #158  
Chris Ross (10)**  
P.O. Box 835  
Unionville, PA 19375  
610-925-0555  
Web: [www.repross.com](http://www.repross.com)

*Get involved, become a township volunteer. A variety of committees can use your help.  
Call the Township office for information.*



# Pennsbury Township Calendar

## COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

### TOWNSHIP MEETINGS

**Supervisors** meet the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7 pm in the Harris Room of the Township Building.

**Planning Commission** meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 pm at the Township Building.

### SCHOOL BOARD

**Unionville-Chadds Ford School Board** meetings begin at 7:30 pm. on March 21 at Pocopson Elem., April 25 at Unionville Elem. and May 16 at Patton Middle. More at [www.ucfsd.org](http://www.ucfsd.org)

#### MARCH

25, 26 Friday 7 - 10 pm, Saturday 10 am - 4 pm — **Chadds Ford Art Show** at Chadds Ford Elementary School.

30 Wednesday, 7:30 pm — **Townwatch Annual Meeting** at Chaddsford Winery. Everyone welcome.

#### APRIL

7 Thursday, 7:30 pm — **Pennsbury Land Trust Annual Meeting** at the Township Building. Wesley Horner, Senior Advisor for Water Resources of the Brandywine Conservancy will talk about local forest restoration. Everyone welcome. RSVP 610-388-7401.

11-15 Monday through Friday — **Branch Pickup** (see page 1).

19 Saturday, 9 am - 3 pm — **Household Hazardous Waste & Computer Collection** at CAT Campus, 1580 Charlestown Rd., Phoenixville, PA.

18 Monday — **Last Day to register for the Primary Election.**

30 Saturday, 9 am - 2 pm — **Yard Sale** at Pennsbury Township Park (see page 1)

#### MAY

4, 5, 7 Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday — **Dumpster Available for Residents** (see page 1)

7 Saturday, 9 am - 2 pm — **Yard Sale Rain Date.**

7 Saturday — **Roadside Cleanup** (see page 1)

7, 8 Saturday, Sunday, 1-5 pm — **John Chads House** open for tours on weekends through Sept. 4. [www.chaddsfordhistory.org](http://www.chaddsfordhistory.org)

10 Tuesday — **Last day to apply for an absentee ballot.**

17 Tuesday, 7 am - 8 pm — **PRIMARY ELECTION**

20 Friday, 5:30 - 8 pm — **Opening of Exhibit, Wood, WoodS, and Wood Workers** at the Barn of the Chadds Ford Historical Society on Creek Rd. Everyone welcome. Exhibit will continue through December 3.

21 Saturday, 9 am - 3 pm — **Household Hazardous Waste Collection** at Owen J. Roberts High School, 981 Ridge Rd., Pottstown, PA.

28, 29 Saturday, Sunday, 1-5 pm — **Barns Brinton House & Tavern** open for tours on weekends through Set. 4. Fee. Directions and info at [www.chaddsfordhistory.org](http://www.chaddsfordhistory.org)

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