MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS...

The township is entering winter, which starts the process of preparing the roads, crews and equipment for snow plowing. We would like to remind everyone to use precaution when driving in inclement weather and keep a safe distance behind township equipment or road crew. Also a reminder, please assist elderly or disabled neighbors with snow and ice removal.

We aim to make the township a safe and friendly environment for all its residents and visitors. Those who frequent our park may have noticed security cameras have been installed. With numerous break-ins, we felt that it was becoming an unsafe place for our children to play. We do check the camera often and we are happy to report that there has not been any damage or vandalism since we installed the cameras.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the township at 610-488-1191, stop by the office during normal business hours at 25 North 5th Street or email us at info@upperberntownship.com
Township Meetings
All Meetings start at 7:00 pm
Board of Supervisors -
December 11th
Planning Commission -
December 16th
Park & Recreation Board -
*Meetings with be held quarterly for 2014.*
Call the township for more information.
EAAC Committee -
*Meetings with be held quarterly for 2014.*
Call the township for more information.

Township information:
25 North Fifth Street
PO Box 185, Shartlesville, PA 19554
Phone: 610-488-1191  Fax: 610-488-0444
Email: Info@upperberntownship.com
Website: www.upperberntownship.com

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:
Ervin Steinite, Jr
Nancy Hartman
Rodney Loeb

TOWNSHIP SECRETARY/TREASURER:
Tonya Klee
ROAD CREW:
Travis LaFaver
Kenneth Steinite Sr.

THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE FOLLOWING HOLIDAYS:
November 28 & 29, 2013 - Thanksgiving Holiday
December 25, 2013 - Christmas Holiday

To Place Your Ad In The Upper Bern Township Newsletter
Contact: Tonya Klee
Phone: 610-488-1191  Fax: 610-488-0444
Email: Info@upperberntownship.com

We noticed several places where residents are blowing the grass on the public roads. This may cause a hazard to motorists. Please do not blow your grass onto the public roads.

Yes! If anyone has been around the Upper Bern Township municipal office (N 5th St) lately, they may have seen a new building. This building has been donated by The Free Church in Strausstown. The Upper Bern Township Board of Supervisors had it brought down from Strausstown and set it up on Township property for the library. Presently an architect is working to see what is needed before we get started. The Hamburg Area School District has agreed to donate shelving and other needed items that were once used in the Upper Bern Elementary School, along with the sign out front. Thank you to Upper Bern Supervisors and Hamburg Area School District Board and Superintendent. We are hoping to have the library up and running in the spring or early summer. Keep an eye out for our Grand Opening!

Thank you to everyone who purchased the 25% off shopping passes for “BOSCov’S FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS” and came out to shop that day. We’re sure you all got some very good deals!

The ANNUAL COAT AND WARM CLOTHING DRIVE sponsored by Friedens Church and the Shartlesville Library was held on Saturday, October 26, 2013 at Friedens Church in Shartlesville. We received a lot of nice donations. I’m sure everything was greatly appreciated. Thank you to Dave Vitez (owner) and Melissa DiGregorio (manager) of Dunkin Donuts for donating donuts for the day, which they do each year.

The SHARTLESVILLE LIBRARY HOLIDAY CRAFT AND VENDOR SHOW at Friedens Church on Nov 16th was a success. There were many various skilled craftsmen, local small business owners and direct sale companies displaying their merchandise. Thank you one and all for making it a great day. Hope you can join us again next year.

If you have books to donate at the present time, please put them on the front porch at Peggy and Ashley Seitzinger’s house at 57 South 4th Street in Shartlesville.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer at the library once we are up and running, or would like to help us get up and running, you can always call Peggy Seitzinger at 610-488-1984 or Diane Ross at 610-488-7422.

Thank you for your support!

Shartlesville Community Library Board and Volunteers

ROADMASTER’S REPORT

Over the past few months we improved the shoulders along Old 22, replaced pipes on Naftzingertown Road, filled potholes at numerous locations around the township. We resurfaced Peacock Rd and a section of Wintertown Rd. We also repainted the crosswalks in Shartlesville. Please use extreme caution when driving through Shartlesville. Remember, State Law says pedestrians have the right-of-way while crossing the road when in the crosswalks. We will be black-topping over the pipes we replaced on Naftzingertown Road, Industrial Drive and the repairs at the bridge on Skyline once we feel the ground has stopped settling. Hopefully by the time you receive this newsletter we would have repaired the extreme south portion of Valley Rd and repainted the lines on most of the township roads.

Just another reminder, we will be trimming more trees along the township roads this fall. As stated in the last newsletter, we respect your property and your trees, however, any branches overhanging in the right-of-way may cause a safety hazard to motorists especially in the winter months with heavy snow or ice on the branches. In most cases the right-of-way is 16ft from the center of the road. Any questions regarding the right-of-way please contact the Roadmaster, Ervin Steinite, Jr.

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The New Face of the Shartlesville Community Library
The Shartlesville Lions Club will continue to hold country line dances on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month at the Shartlesville Grange, N 4th Street, Shartlesville.

For any information on Lions Club activities or membership, please call either Shirley Berger or Pam Pozniak, Co-Secretaries.

November 22, 2013 • Shartlesville Grange • 12 Noon • Anyone 65 years of age & older is invited.

We are available for parties, meetings, corporation outings, banquets, picnics, weddings, family reunions and much more.

Upper Bern Township, Shartlesville, PA • 610-488-1191 • Monday – Friday • 9 AM - 4 PM

We are 5 minutes from I-78 Exit 23 and 6 miles west of Hamburg.

**PARK RENTAL**

Lesher Memorial Park is now booking for 2014

Indoor/Outdoor Pavilions, Band Shelter, Playground, Athletic Field, Off-Street Parking and Six Acres of Park.

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**FOR PARK RENTAL INFORMATION:**

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**SHARTLESVILLE LIONS CLUB**

The Shartlesville Lions Club will continue to hold country line dances on the 1st and 3rd Friday of every month at the Shartlesville Grange, N 4th Street, Shartlesville.

Doors open at 6 pm. Dance is from 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm. Admission is $6.00, food available.

The lions club will also be holding the following events...

**Thanksgiving Dinner for Seniors**

November 22, 2013 • Shartlesville Grange • 12 Noon • Anyone 65 years of age & older is invited.

Must contact Shirley Berger or Pam Pozniak by November 15, 2013

For any information on Lions Club activities or membership, please call either Shirley Berger or Pam Pozniak, Co-Secretaries.

Shirley Berger • 610-488-6305

Pam Pozniak • 610-488-5171

**Recycling Information**

**RECYCLING BINS**

at

**UPPER TULPEHOCKEN TOWNSHIP**

2013 Upcoming Dates:

**Effective March 1, 2013** the recycling bins will be available at Upper Tulpehocken on a full time basis.

**Items must be placed in the bins and include:**

- Glass bottles
- Plastics #1-7 (look for the number inside the recycle symbol located on the bottom of the container)
- Bi-metal cans
- Aluminum cans
- Mixed paper
- Corrugated cardboard

Friedens Church

December 2013; January and February 2014

If you are not acquainted with Friedens Church, we are located at 28 Wolf Creek Road overlooking downtown Shartlesville. You can reach us at (610) 488-7325, email us at friedensfok@comcast.net, www.friedenschurch.net or check us out on Facebook (Friedens Church Shartlesville).

We invite you to attend our services - Saturday Encounter Worship at 5:00 p.m., held in our outdoor chapel weather permitting or in the Christian Education Building in case of stormy weather. On Sunday, our early service will be held at 7:45, followed by Sunday school for all ages at 9:15 and our late service at 10:30. Nursery care for children 3 and under is provided at the 10:30 service. Bible study will be held Wednesday evenings at 6:30 and Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m.

You are also invited to join us for a wide variety of community events. Friedens Friends meets the first Tuesday of each month at 1:30 for a shared meal and fun filled program. A grief support group meets each Monday at 11:40 for those who have suffered a loss. Participants share a meal and process their concerns together. Our Prayer Shawl Ministry group meets during the Sunday school hour (9:15). If you would like to improve your knitting or crocheting skills, please join us.

Our 7th annual Winter Carnival will be held on December 7th from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Everyone in the community is invited to attend this free event. If you have never attended, you have missed a lot of fun, music and food for all ages! Music this year will be provided by our own choir and handchimes, as well as the Andulhea Chorus, strolling minstrels, Blue Mountain Junction and the Dogs. Everyone is invited to hop a ride on the horse drawn sleigh to visit Santa and Mrs. Claus! Be sure and bring your children or grandchildren for a photo with Santa. There will be hot dogs, cookies, soft pretzels, ice cream, chips, juice, cider, hot chocolate, coffee and cotton candy! There are games for the children as well as a petting zoo. The evening will conclude with a live nativity and the Christmas story. We hope all of you will come help us celebrate our community and the season of Christmas.

On Friday, December 21st, at 11:00 a.m. we will again celebrate the longest night of the year. Christmas can be a painful time for some. It may be the first Christmas without a loved family member who has recently died; it may be a time that has been difficult for many years. Come join us in sharing and hearing prayers, Scripture, and music that acknowledge that God’s presence is for those who mourn, for those who struggle... and that God’s Word comes to shine light into our darkness. Everyone, regardless of church background (or lack of it) is welcome. Our worship will be followed by a light luncheon hosted by the Friedens Grief Support Group.

On Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24th, we will hold two services. The first at 5:00 p.m. will be held in our outdoor chapel. What? Outdoors on Christmas Eve? Yes! There will be bonfires to keep you warm, hot chocolate and coffee, and candles to light the night. Last year, as we celebrated the birth of the Christ Child, it began to snow. It was a service that will live in our memories forever. Of course for the faint of heart, we will have our traditional service at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Everyone in the community is invited to share in one or both of these services. All are welcome here!

Another marvelous worship experience will be held on Sunday, December 29th at 9:30 a.m. This is a centuries old service referred to as “Lessons and Carols.” It features readings from the “Christmas Story” as well as many of your favorite hymns and special music by our choirs. This will be the only service on this Sunday.

Jumping ahead to March, the Lenten season will begin with our Ash Wednesday service at 7:00 p.m. on the 5th. During Lent, we will hold a midweek service on Wednesday evenings at 7:00. Our worship will be followed by Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m. Everyone in the community is invited to attend this free event. If you have never attended, you have missed a lot of fun, music and food for all ages! Music this year will be provided by our own choir and handchimes, as well as the Andulhea Chorus, strolling minstrels, Blue Mountain Junction and the Dogs. Everyone is invited to hop a ride on the horse drawn sleigh to visit Santa and Mrs. Claus! Be sure and bring your children or grandchildren for a photo with Santa. There will be hot dogs, cookies, soft pretzels, ice cream, chips, juice, cider, hot chocolate, coffee and cotton candy! There are games for the children as well as a petting zoo. The evening will conclude with a live nativity and the Christmas story. We hope all of you will come help us celebrate our community and the season of Christmas.

Thank You,

Christine Burke

Tax Collector

All property taxes must be paid by December 31st. All taxes which are not paid by December 31st will be sent to Tax Claim in January. Please remember to keep us advised of any changes in your tenants. And make sure to send your tax payments early due to slower U.S. Postal delivery times. It may take more than a week to get to me.

Thank You,

Christine Burke

Tax Collector
In another large bowl, combine cream cheese and sugar. Beat sure they are who they say they are. To verify the permit with the township to make there. If they do have a permit, don't hesitate township. We will take care of the rest from without a permit, kindly refer them to the door to door. If anyone comes to your door must have an ID tag on them in order to go door to door. If anyone comes to your door without a permit, kindly refer them to the township. We will take care of the rest from there. If they do have a permit, don’t hesitate to verify the permit with the township to make sure they are who they say they are.

**PUMPKIN CHEESECAKE BARS WITH CHOCOLATE TOPPING ANDPECANS**

Ingredients:
- ½ cup butter
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 1 1/4 cups flour
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
- ¾ tsp. salt
- 1 to 1 ½ packages of cream cheese, softened
- 1 ½ cup butter
- 48 pecan halves
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate pieces
- 1 can (15 ounce) pumpkin
- 1 egg
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- ¼ tsp. pumpkin pie spice

Preheat oven to 350°F. Line a 9x13x2 inch pan with foil, extending foil over the pan edges. Lightly grease foil. Set pan aside. In a large bowl, use a pastry blender to cut ¼ cup butter into cookie mix until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Press mixture evenly onto the bottom of the prepared pan. Bake in the preheated oven for 10 minutes or until set.

2. In another large bowl, combine cream cheese and sugar. Beat with an electric mixer on medium speed until combined. Add eggs, one at a time, beating on low speed after each addition until just combined. Stir in pumpkin, vanilla, pumpkin pie spice, and salt. Pour pumpkin mixture onto the hot crust.

3. Bake for 30 to 35 minutes more or until mixture is slightly puffed around edges and just set in center. Cool completely in pan on a wire rack.

4. In a small microwave-safe bowl, combine chocolate pieces and the ¼ cup butter. Microwave on 100% power (high) for 30 to 60 seconds or until softened; stir until smooth. Drizzle chocolate over the cooled bars and carefully spread evenly. Gently press pecan halves evenly across top of bar mixture. Cover and chill for 2-24 hours. Using the edges of the foil, lift the uncut bars out of the pan. Cut into bars, cutting straight down with a large knife.

**SHARTLESVILLE BLUE MOUNTAIN SENIOR CITIZENS**

Anyone 55 years and older is invited to join and become a member. It was organized approximately 35 years ago by Frieden’s Church’s former Pastor, Rev. Merrill Ressler and the late Leonard Knape. Membership is not limited to Upper Bern Township Citizens. Activities include a noon lunch, entertainment, a business meeting, scheduled bus trips and a catered dinner for the Spring and December meetings. The meeting dates are on the third Tuesday of each month at 12 o’clock noon, in the Shartlesville Blue Mountain Senior Citizens_ws_N. Turn right off Rt. 183 at Hilltop Road and continue until you see the recycling center. Turn onto the first driveway. Electronics recycling is in the barn.

**UPCOMING EVENTS…**

**BUS TRIP TO AMERICAN MUSIC CHRISTMAS SHOW IN LANCASTER ON DECEMBER 11TH. COST IS $86 AND INCLUDES MEAL. CONTACT 610-488-1840 OR 610-488-1845 TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS.**
Shartlesville’s Winter Carnival
At Friedens Church of Shartlesville
Located on Wolf Creek Road
Saturday, December 7, 2013
4:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Blue Mountain Junction
The Dogs

The Choirs of Friedens

...Raffle...Games...Santa...
...Music...Food...And Fun...

Dear Upper Bern resident,

The Shartlesville Lions Club is hosting a Hometown Hero Banner Program. We are seeking your help in sponsoring a Upper Bern Township Hometown Hero Banner.

Each individual banner will be unique and honor a specific Upper Bern soldier including their picture, branch of service, era of service and hometown in Upper Bern. There is space for banners on street lights throughout Main Street in Shartlesville. The program is non-political and non-partisan. It is purely a living memorial to those soldiers from Upper Bern who served our country.

The photographs will be returned to the families after sending a scan of the photo to the printer.

Please join us in celebrating the Veterans of Upper Bern Township. Sponsorships are $200 each and can be purchased by individual families, organizations or businesses. The Sponsor’s name will be at the bottom of each banner.

_____ Yes, We will sponsor a Banner or
_____ Enclosed please find a contribution to the Hometown Hero Banner Program

Total Amount Enclosed: ____________________________

Business Name: ____________________________
Contact Name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________
City, State, Zip: ____________________________ E-Mail Address: ____________________________

Business or Family Name or Saying as it should appear on the banner

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CONTACT FOR SUBMISSION OF SPONSORSHIPS AND PHOTOS

PATRICIA CAHILL, SECRETARY
3450 MOUNTAIN ROAD M85
HAMBURG, PA. 19526
484-660-3414
Shartlesville Lions Club Banner Program

Full Name of Person in Photo: ________________________________

Era of Service (WWI, WWII, etc.)** (see below)__________________

Branch of Military: _________________________________________

Hometown _________________________________________________

Is the Veteran? ALIVE _____ DECEASED _____ KIA _____ POW/MIA _____

Name of person submitting photos: ____________________________

Relationship to hometown hero: ______________________________

Phone Number: ____________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________

___________________________________________________________

E-Mail Address: ____________________________________________

PHOTO RELEASE FORM
I hereby grant Shartlesville Lions Club and Rileighs Outdoor Decor, permission to use the attached photo (which includes a likeness of myself or of my relative) in the 2015 Street light Hometown Hero Banner Program. In addition, I take full responsibility that all information provided about the veteran(s) being honored is accurate and correct.

(Signature) ____________________________ (Date) ____________
(Printed name) __________________________

** Era of Service - Official DOD Dates: **
- GWOT – Sept 11, 2001 to present (list this if veteran hasn’t been to Iraq or Afghanistan)
- Persian Gulf – August 2, 1990 – August 31, 1991
- Cold War – September 2, 1945 – 26 December 1991
- WW II – December 7, 1941 – December 31, 1946
- WW I – April 6, 1917 – November 11, 1918

UBT 250th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE
P.O. Box 125
Shartlesville, Pennsylvania 19554
Phone: 610-488-1984

Dear Patron,

UBT Anniversary Committee is hosting a 250th Anniversary Street Light Banner Program. We are seeking your help in sponsoring an anniversary banner. The banners will be on display on street light poles throughout the commercial business district on Main Street, Shartlesville. The program is non-political and non-partisan.

The Anniversary Banners will be on display from approximately spring of 2014 until they become too worn to display, which is approximately 6 – 7 years. The banners will include the sponsor’s name prominently displayed at the bottom of the banner.

Please join us in celebrating the anniversary of our community. Sponsorships are $200 each and entitle the business to the following:

- Sponsor’s name on each banner purchased
- Listing in “UB Informed”
- Identified as a sponsor in all promotional material and media information

Contributions toward the celebration which is scheduled for Saturday, August 22, 2015, are also accepted and all contributors will receive a listing in the “UB Informed” and will be identified in all promotional materials.

The banners will be placed on requested poles on a first come-first served basis.

_____ Yes, We will sponsor a Banner, or

_____ Enclosed please find a contribution to the 250th Anniversary Street Light Program

Total Amount Enclosed: ________________________________

Business Name: _________________________________________

Contact Name: __________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________

City, State, Zip ____________________________________________

Phone Number: ____________________________ E-Mail Address: ____________________________