



CHADDS FORD TODAY

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The Chairman's Corner by Frank Murphy

CHADDS FORD CELEBRATES COMMUNITY

The Board of Supervisors is extremely thankful and proud of the many residents who work tirelessly to address the needs of our community. Many of these volunteers, whether elected or appointed, came together at the Township Building on Friday night, February 22nd to celebrate accomplishments and to plan for the year ahead.

Input is always welcome by the Board and this event provided an excellent opportunity to exchange views and to just catch up with neighbors after a long, cold winter. There was continued discussion about the Village District which recently started at the Board's Community Forum held on February 7th. A video of the entire meeting can be viewed on YouTube via the link on the Township's website.

Residents also discussed the updated Open Space Plan and benefits the Walkable Chadds Ford project will bring to our community. Supervisors are excited about the prospect of helping our business and non-profit partners to continue to revitalize the Village District into a truly unique destination for visitors, while retaining a true Chadds Ford atmosphere.

Please continue the volunteer movement by helping the Civic Association in its annual "Clean Up" Day scheduled for Saturday, April 27th.

Remember to stay local this year, not only when you buy produce, but when you're looking for something to do. A brief listing of upcoming events at our local museums is on the back page.

Here's to an early spring!

Frank Murphy, Chairman
Board of Supervisors



One and all enjoyed the evening!



Business Spotlight - Chadds Café and Store

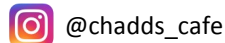
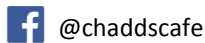
If you haven't made it to Chadds Café and Store yet, you're missing out on the best scones and soups in town! This quaint little café and shop, nestled among the barn shops in the Village of Chadds Ford, offers an array of delectable baked goods, savory soups and hearty salads, prepared by Chef Pam Lau. After launching her career at Kennett's Sovana Bistro as the head pastry chef, Pam moved to Talula's Table, preparing savory goods. With her well rounded background in both sweet and savory, Pam is always making something new. One thing is certain, something delicious is always in store.



In addition to Pam's ever changing menu, Chadds Café features ice cream from Woodside Farm Creamery, Romano's Original strombolis and a custom coffee blend from Brandywine Coffee Roasters. Several display cases are dedicated to selling locally made market items and artisan goods, including Pam's pottery (yes, she makes pottery too!).

Barn Shop owners, John Anderson and daughter Bri Brant, wanted this café to be a community gathering space where people can enjoy good company, while surrounded by history and green space. Growing up in Chadds Ford, Brant wanted to provide a space for the community that matched the culture and atmosphere of Chadds Ford. Chadds Café and Store does just that. It's a perfect addition to the Barn Shops, and with plenty of indoor and outdoor spaces and frequent events, it's the ideal meeting place.

For menu and event updates follow at ...





CHADDS
cafe + store

CHADDS
hours
WED - SUN
9 to 3

RACHEL KOHL LIBRARY



The library is turning 40!

Celebrate both your birthday and the library's by sponsoring a new book in honor of you or your favorite reader. A book plate will be placed in the book purchased with your contribution. View the Library's March Newsletter for details at www.kohllibrary.org

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

Craig B. Huffman, Esquire, Heyburn Road resident and Chairman of the Township's Planning Commission, was elected President of the Delaware County Bar Association in January, 2019.



Sarah Sharp, Bullock Road, has joined the staff of the Brandywine Conservancy as an Assistant Planner. Ms. Sharp has a BA in Geography, a post baccalaureate certificate in GIS, and is working towards a Master of Science in Geography and a Masters of Urban and Regional Planning.



M. Night Shyamalan recently used a location on Murphy Road to film a production for Apple TV and is scouting another location for a future shoot here in Chadds Ford.



Painter's Folly, the Township's historic property on Baltimore Pike, was recently granted eligibility status to the National Register of Historic Places by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.



Thomas A. Dreyer, Esquire, with offices on Dickinson Drive, received the 2019 Pro Bono Award for Delaware County, issued by the Pennsylvania Bar Foundation.

Please submit items for publication in the "New & Noteworthy" column to sec@chaddsfordpa.gov



TRAILS - DO THEY ADD VALUE TO YOUR HOME?

Americans love the great outdoors and many home buyers seek safe, walkable communities when searching for a new home. Pedestrian friendly towns exude many benefits, affording their residents opportunities to be physically active, improving their health, wellness and overall quality of life. More and more towns are making the commitment to build and maintain parks and trails that are safe and user friendly.

The creation of parks and trails in communities where residential homes already exist can be a huge challenge for municipalities. Making this commitment means time and resources must be available to select locations that will benefit the entire community without infringing on the individual resident's privacy.

That being said, trails can be associated with higher property values, especially when a trail is designed to provide neighborhood access and also



maintain the surrounding residents' privacy. Trails are considered an amenity that will command a higher price for nearby homes. Research also tells us that communities who opposed a trail prior to creation, ultimately found the trail to be more well received than anticipated after it was built.

Increased property values create more tax revenue, which definitely help defray the cost of maintaining trails and parks. Research shows that homes near trails often have higher property values, with a price premium ranging from 5% to 10%. In most studies, home buyers were willing to pay more to be near a bike or walking trail. (League of American Bicyclists).

Chadds Ford Township leadership wants our residents to know that careful planning will hopefully produce a walkable plan that will result in a finished product that everyone will be proud of.

Stay tuned!

In the Know by Vice Chair Samantha Reiner

AN AMBULANCE SUBSCRIPTION COULD SAVE YOU AND YOUR WALLET!

The last thing you should worry about when having a medical emergency is the cost of getting to the hospital. Ambulance rides can cost you thousands since emergency ambulance companies are not usually part of insurance networks. To provide added peace of mind, ambulance companies and squads have begun to offer annual membership for subscribers and donors. By signing up for these subscription services, your local emergency service provider has a stable source of funding. In exchange subscribers are covered for the remaining out of pocket costs for emergency ambulance calls.

Concordville Fire and Protective Association services all Chadds Ford residents and provides an annual ambulance subscription for a donation of at least \$55. This fund drive program covers out of pocket expenses, saving members co-pays, deductibles and unpaid balances not covered by insurance. Keep an eye out each spring for a flier or email with details about how to sign up. Additional



details can be found on the Concordville Fire and Protective Associations website: www.concordville.org under "ambulance subscriptions".

Community Emergency Response Team

Chadds Ford's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is dedicated to the safety of residents and businesses. The CERT program educates and trains volunteers about disaster preparedness for hazards specific to your community.

CERT provides safety information about different emergency services and programs offered for Chadds Ford residents. Visit the CERT page on the Township website (chaddsfordpa.gov) for more information on:

- Expired/Unused Medicine Drop Off Sites
- County Alerts
- Emergency Services
- Hospitals
- Animal Control
- Power Outages
- Flood Information



Email: chaddsfordcert@gmail.com

To contact a Committee Member, call the Township Office at 610-388-8800.



Help your community: Volunteer!

Pennsylvania is celebrating Local Government Week, April 8-12. This is a golden opportunity to thank local elected and appointed officials for their service and to ask a critical question: What can I do for my township? The answer to that question is simple: Lend a hand.

Volunteering not only allows you to give back to your community, but also gives you an opportunity to play a role in shaping your hometown. Above all else, though, when you donate your time and talents, you're helping to reduce costs and keep taxes low.

How much time you give is entirely up to you. You can make a big commitment to the township by serving on one of our many committees, becoming a member of our Community Emergency Response Team, or by performing other tasks, such as helping out with a mailing, planting flowers and trees, volunteering for our Civic Association's Community Clean-up Day or the Township's annual Recycling Event, taking photos at a township-sponsored event, or even doing some filing.

To get the volunteer ball rolling, call the township and talk to the staff about your skills and how much time you have to offer. We appreciate your willingness to pitch in and will work with you to find opportunities!

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TOWNSHIP RECYCLING NEWS and CIVIC ASSOCIATION ROADSIDE CLEANUP

The Annual Township Recycling Event has been moved to Saturday, October 19th. In the meantime, please take advantage of State Representative Steve Barrar's Paper Shredding and Drug Take-Back event on Saturday, April 13th. The Civic Association's Roadside Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, April 27th. For more information on these events and more, check the electronic supplement to this Newsletter on the Township's website at www.chaddsfordpa.gov and sign-up to receive Township notices!



UPCOMING 2019 MEETING DATES

Board of Supervisors:

Regular Meeting: 4/3/2019 at 7PM
Regular Meeting: 5/1/2019 at 7PM
Workshop: 3/27/2019 at 7PM
Workshop: 4/24/2019 at 7PM

Planning Commission:

Regular Meeting: 3/13/2019 at 7PM
Regular Meeting: 4/10/2019 at 7PM
Regular Meeting: 5/8/2019 at 7PM

Zoning Hearing Board/HARB:

Upon submission of application

Open Space:

Regular Meeting: 3/14/2019 at 7PM
Regular Meeting: 4/11/2019 at 7PM

Please check the Township's website for a full calendar of all 2019 meeting dates.

Stay Local...

Chadds Ford Historic Society

Escape Brandywine:

Escape Room

April 6, May 4
(10 am, 12pm and 2 pm)

Tavern Nights

March 22, Oct. 4, Nov. 1
(7pm-9pm)

Spring Lecture Series

Apr. 11, May 9
(7pm)

For more upcoming events check www.chaddsfordhistory.org



Brandywine River Museum

American Beauty: Highlights from the Richard M. Scaife Bequest

March 9, 2019 to May 27, 2019

First Sundays for Families

First Sundays for Families at the Museum presents free, hands-on workshops designed to engage visitors of all ages in creative art activities and performances. No registration necessary.

Sensory Friendly Saturday

Sat. March 30 (9-10:30 am)
Created with occupational therapists and local families to provide a welcoming experience for visitors on the autism spectrum or with sensory processing disorder and their families. Please visit the Events page for information on registration.



Check www.brandywine.org for more upcoming events and exhibits

Brandywine Battlefield

Revolutionary Dining Series #5

Tues. March 19th (6pm @ The Gables at Chadds Ford)

18th Century Day

Sat. April 13 (12-4 pm)

Kid's Day

Sun. April 14 (12-4 pm)
kids enter for free

History in the Neighborhood

Sun. April 21 (12-4 pm)
Come learn about local historic sites



For more details and ticket information visit brandywine-battlefield.org

Christian Sanderson Museum

"A Man's Life, A Nation's History"

An eclectic array of art, military memorabilia, presidential artifacts, local history and collectibles..

HISTORY LIKE YOU'VE NEVER SEEN IT BEFORE!!

Open: March- November (Sat.-Sun.)

Hours: 12 pm- 4 pm
or by appointment

Admission: free to members
\$8-Adults
\$5-Children 6-12
\$0-Children 5 & under

