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Garden Planned to Honor Longtime Township Employee, Barry 'Tag' Gathercole



A memorial pollinator garden is being planned at the East Fallowfield Township Community Park to honor the memory of long-time township employee, Barry 'Tag' Gathercole. Tag who died earlier this year was road foreman of East Fallowfield Township for approximately 16 years.

The Township's Board of Supervisors unanimously approved the project at their July Board meeting and approved an agreement with GreenWeaver Landscapes, a sustainable landscape company, to design the memorial pollinator garden and manage the project.

Tag was a highly dedicated township employee and the Board of Supervisors thought it would be" a great way to honor him," said Township Manager Scott Swichar.

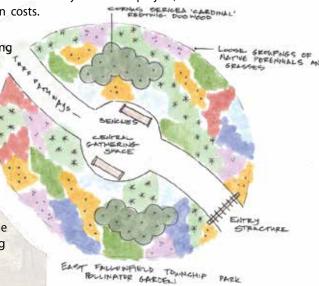
"Tag was known for having a larger-than-life personality. He was a true leader and worked extremely hard to serve the community and beautify and maintain township facilities like the community park. I think the pollinator garden best honors Tag by being located in a place that he loved so much," said Swichar.

Preparation of the site and the design work are expected to be completed by Fall 2022. Construction of 'Tag's Garden' is expected to be completed by next spring. "The 1,200 square foot pollinator garden will consist of native wildflowers and perennial plants that support bees, butterflies, and other wildlife currently in decline," said Swichar. As an added bonus, the garden will also create learning opportunities and educate students about which plants to add to their own landscapes in order to support native bees.

Swichar stated that he believes that East Fallowfield residents will rally behind the project, and he intends to seek donations to fund the plant materials and construction costs. "The project is expected to cost \$10,000," said Swichar.

As a community project, the Township will be recruiting volunteer garden stewards and volunteers with carpentry, landscaping, and gardening skills to install, monitor, and maintain the pollinator garden. "Once established, the pollinator garden will not only beautify the township park, but will also bring joy to the community in memory of such an exceptional person" concluded Swichar.

> If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or donating to the project, please email us at manager@eastfallowfield.org. Updates on the memorial garden project will be posted on the township's website: www.eastfallowfield.org





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2022 Summer Concert Series a Success

And that's a wrap on the 2022 Summer Concert Series!

Hundreds of guests showed up for the first show in June. The band, 'Double Shot' played classic rock 'n' roll hits while guests danced the night away. However, mother nature did not cooperate for July's concert as much as we had hoped. We were forced to cancel July's concert (Scott Bandy and Texas Heat) due to the stormy weather. 'The Fabulous Grease Band' took the stage in August, and it was a truly fabulous show! The band entertained more than 500 guests. Several food trucks sold food and wine and beer were available for sale at the events as well.

Thanks to all of the fans, food vendors, artists, and volunteers who joined us this summer!

A very special thank you to our 2022 Summer Concert Series Sponsors:

- Allan Myers (Main event sponsor for the August 25 concert)
- PECO, ServPro of Kennett Square/Oxford, Krapf Bus Company, and Herbert
 E. MacCombie, Jr. (series sponsors for July Concert)
- Meridian Bank: (Main event Sponsor for the June 23 concert)

This summer has exceeded all our expectations! We hope you enjoyed the free live concerts as much as we did. Thank you for the memories! Stay tuned for the 2023 Schedule! Until next summer...





Planning Commission Looking to Fill Vacancies



This is your chance to serve your community. Apply today to serve on the East Fallowfield Township Planning Commission!

The Planning Commission is the advisory body to the Township's Board of Supervisors on subdivision, planning and land development matters.

The Commission is composed of seven volunteer citizens appointed by the Board of Supervisors. Each member serves a four-year term. There are two alternate members of the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission meets once or twice a month- always on the first and third Monday. Meetings start at 6:30PM.

If you are interested in getting involved, please contact us by email: manager@ eastfallowfield.org or call 610-384-2104

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The salary is \$21/hour for snow plow operators with a CDL. Snow Plow Operators are responsible for snow and ice removal on Township roads during inclement weather. Duties may include completing general maintenance assignments and use of township vehicles and related equipment to load and spread de-icing salt.

High School diploma or equivalent and Valid Pennsylvania State driver's license, Class "A" or "B" Commercial Driver's License (CDL) certification is required to apply and remain employed in this position.

Employment Application can be found at the website below: http://eastfallowfield.org/2015pdf/ EmploymentApplication.pdf

Please submit an application by email to: manager@eastfallowfield.org or drop off application and/or mail to: Attn: Manager, East Fallowfield Township, 2264 Strasburg Road, East Fallowfield PA 19320. The position will remain open until filled.

East Fallowfield Township is an Equal Opportunity Employer

That's a wrap! Mortonville Road Slope Stabilization Work Complete

A smoother ride has arrived for travelers on Mortonville Road. Construction crews completed a major roadway stabilization project on the roadway this past August.

A portion of roadway on Mortonville Road had been heavily damaged and reduced to a single lane because of a wash-out that occurred during a heavy rain event several years ago. The roadway embankment had become unstable which caused the heavily damaged roadway to begin sliding into the nearby Brandywine Creek.

After securing approximately \$1.7 million in grant funding and completing an engineering study and design, construction work began on the roadway during the spring of 2022. The installation of Riprap stone on the embankment and removal of loose soils helped to stabilize the embankment and the roadway. As part of the project, a 502 foot section of the roadway was rebuilt and the entire portion of Mortonville Road (from Saw Mill to Strasburg Road) was repaved. Additional improvements included pipe installation, new drainage and guardrails, and striping to enhance vehicular safety.

Due to the acquisition of a \$730,000 grant from DCED and a \$1 million grant from PennDOT, the project was almost entirely funded using grant monies. While the roadway has been reopened, the contractor will return this fall to plant trees and vegetation that were lost at the site due to construction.

The project was scheduled for completion on June 30, but the project was slightly delayed as PECO also installed underground electrical wires on Mortonville Road "We appreciate the public's patience while construction crews worked this year to stabilize Mortonville Road," said Township Manager Scott Swichar. "We know road closures are challenging for travelers, but they were needed to complete this major investment to stabilize the roadway," stated Swichar.

"I commend all those who worked on this project for their dedication to stabilizing this important roadway," concluded Swichar..



East Fallowfield Township Completes 2022 Road Paving Program

East Fallowfield Township maintains over 54 miles of roadways throughout the Township, many of which are resurfaced during the summer and fall months. As part of the 2022 Road Paving Program, base repairs are made on portions of the roadway, the top of the road surface is milled, and the entire roadway is paved with new asphalt.

Municipal officials recently announced that road paving was completed on the following roads:

Bradford Drive S. Caln Road (section) Vivian Drive Timacula Road

Doe Run Church Road (Fairview Road to Township Line)

The Board of Supervisors awarded the 2022 Road Paving project to Dirocco Brothers, Inc. of West Chester, Pennsylvania which submitted the lowest bid of \$320,890.68 out of the four which were submitted. Funding for 2022 Road Paving Project comes from the Township's Liquid Fuels budget.

"Improving roadways is a high priority for the Township's Board of Supervisors and administration," said Township Manager Scott Swichar. East Fallowfield Township is making significant progress in meeting the Road Maintenance Program goal to provide excellent street conditions throughout the Township "Repaving Township roads not only creates a smoother roadway surface, but also improves driver safety," Swichar said.



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Look under "Are you a Resident" section to find "Recycling and Safe Disposal Opportunities".

Recycling & disposal information you will find:

- Automotive waste
- Batteries
- Block Styrofoam
- Books
- Cartons
- Cell Phones
- Donations/Miscellaneous
- E-waste small electronics, TVs, and computers
- Fire extinguishers
- Fluorescent tubes/CFLs
- Freon (appliances)
- Hazardous Waste Collection Companies
- Mercury Thermostats
- Metals
- Paint
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- Video Tapes/CDs/DVDs
- X-rays

How to find information on hazardous waste disposal:

On the homepage, hover over the "Household Hazardous Waste" tab – a drop down will appear.

Select "Upcoming Household Hazardous Waste Events" to see a list of upcoming dates/locations.

Select "HHW Collection Material List" for a full list of items accepted/not accepted at these events.



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Goodbye Summer! Hello Fall!

The Coatesville Library had a wonderful and busy summer! Over 150 young readers participated in our Summer Reading Program, "Oceans of Possibilities", and attended multiple ocean themed activities in June, July and August. When participants visited the library, they received stickers on their reading logs, earned Beach Bucks to use at our summer store, and added purple links to Mr. Sandals, our Reading Octopus. Parents commented that our Summer Reading Program provided motivation for their children to continue reading all summer. A big thank you to all of our participants!

As school-age students return to the classroom, the library has

many engaging programs and events planned for the fall months. Pre-school Storvtime will continue on Friday mornings at 10:30 AM and is filled with fun activities your child will program, kids enjoy books, of the program, Mr. Sandals had over 2,900 links!



Mr. Sandals was our Reading Octopus this summer! love! During each week's Each link represents a day that a child read. By the end

music, and crafts. This is a free, in-person program for children up to 6 years old. In addition to Storytime, our children's room has multiple activities for young readers including an I Spy station, a monthly scavenger hunt and guessing jar, and a Featured Author's Corner. Plan a visit soon with your child to start developing a love for reading at an early age.

The "Let's Have a Conversation" book club had a successful series of meetings in July and we will choose a new book in September.



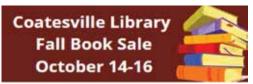
Children listening to a story durina Pre-School Storytime on Friday mornings at the Coatesville Library.

These are hybrid meetings and participants can attend virtually or in person. Please check our online calendar for details.

Our hybrid book club, "Let's Have a Conversation", is a terrific opportunity to discuss engaging books and topics!

Mark your calendars now - The Coatesville Library will be having a

fall book sale on October 14-16. This is a terrific opportunity to find great books & support your local library. You will be able to browse titles and purchase books to read on cold winter days or to give as gifts.



Please make a note of the library's new website address www.coatesvillelibrary.org. Please visit our website often to see announcements and click on the calendar icon on the right side of the page to see a current list of upcoming events. Remember – all library programs are free of charge!

We look forward to seeing you at the library soon!









'Little Free Library' Pops up at East Fallowfield **Township's Community Park**

If you have been to the park recently, you may have noticed the addition of a new wood 'shed-like box' chock full of books for kids and adults. This 'little free library' is located near the parking lot at the entrance to the park.

What's a Little Free Library?

It's a permanent outdoor micro-library stocked with books and is open to anyone to take a book or leave a book.

The Little Free Library was built by township resident Joey Heffern with help from his capable troop leaders, scout volunteers, and family as part of his Eagle Scout service project. Joey spent countless hours planning his project, fundraising, and then building the new Little Free Library.

A ribbon cutting ceremony was held on June 3 to celebrate the installation of the Little Free Library at East Fallowfield Township's Community Park. East Fallowfield residents, board members and staff were on hand to congratulate Eagle Scout candidate Joey Heffern for a job well done.

We would like to thank Joey and his crew for their hard work and for building such an excellent addition to our community park! East Fallowfield Township's Free Library is now registered with its own Charter Number and has been added to the World Map of Little Free Libraries. Visit: https:// littlefreelibrary.org/map/ to learn more.

Next time you're walking in East Fallowfield Township's Community Park, take a look and grab a book if you'd like, and even leave one if you wish.





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East Fallowfield Township Park and Recreation Updates

Chairperson: Teri Dickinson Vice Chairperson: Sandra Stephens Secretary: Jennifer Wright

Board Members: Fred Weiss, Al Wright, Chrissy Ali, Clare Small

The East Fallowfield Township Parks and Recreation Committee has been working behind the scenes to host and sponsor events throughout the year. We support the emerging trends in local Parks such as the utilization of our Park space, promoting a sense of community among our residents, and re-imagining our Parks and Recreation offerings. This year, despite weather issues, the township sponsored three concerts. Our Easter egg hunt and second annual Star-Spangled Parade were also well-attended and enjoyed by all.

Last year, our Trunk or Treat event was rained out, but we plan to try again on Friday, October 28. The fall cleanup will be held on

Saturday, November 12 and our Holiday Tree lighting is scheduled for Saturday, December 3. Details will be posted on East Fallowfield's website and on Facebook.

We welcome the community's input on themed special events, social recreational events, and park improvements. We also welcome volunteers for events as no event can be manned strictly with the Committee or township employees. If you are passionate about our community, wish to see new or different events, or are simply a novice volunteer looking to give back to the community, we would love to hear from you. Please send me an email at tad411@comcast.net.





RAIN BARRELS

Help Conserve Water and Save Money!



WHAT EXACTLY IS A RAIN BARREL?

A rain barrel is a system that collects and stores rain water from your roof that would otherwise be lost to runoff and diverted to storm drains, streams, and eventually the Delaware River watershed. It is constructed using a reused 55 gallon food grade barrel, a bottom drain, a spigot, an overflow a screen to keep debris and insects out, and a downspout diverter to carry the water into the rain barrel.

A rain barrel is a relatively simple and inexpensive way to capture and store rain water for use at later times. It conveniently sits under residential gutter downspouts from you home, garage, and/or shed.

BENEFITS OF USING A RAIN BARREL

Lawn and garden watering can take up a large percentage or total percentage of total household

water use during the summer months. A rain barrel collects water and stores it for when you need it most, during periods of drought! A rain barrel provides an ample supply of FREE water for flowers, gardens, lawns, and even car washing!

A rain barrel can conserve water ad save YOU money during peak summer months. Conserving water helps protect the environment, saves energy (decreased demand for treated tap water and well water) and decreased the impact of runoff to streams and the Delaware River. Therefore by installing a rain barrel YOU can help protect the water quality, aquatic species, drinking water quality, and recreation in the Delaware River watershed.

A formula to remember: 1 inch of rain on a 1,000 sq. ft. roof yields 623 gallons of water. Calculate the yield of your roof by multiplying the square footage of your roof by 623 and divide by 1,000.

Report Speeding in Your Neighborhood

Are people frequently speeding on your residential street?

Speeding in residential areas is a problem across the nation, not just East Fallowfield Township. To combat speeding, The East Fallowfield Township Police Department uses an advanced 'radar recording system' manufactured by Jamar Technologies, to gather evidence on potential speeding problems on township roadways. The data generated from this system helps the department better enforce speeding problems and determine whether additional traffic calming devices are needed.

How it Works....

The department uses a portable device that can be installed on most roadways to record a vehicle's speed and length, while also monitoring traffic volumes. The equipment uses state-of-the-art microprocessor technology and records vehicle data to provide the average highest/lowest speed rate and percent of enforceable violations.

"Sometimes there is confusion about whether there is actually a speeding problem on a particular roadway. This device gives us un-biased real time data," said Police Sergeant Brian Simmons.

Report the Problem to Us!

Are you concerned that there is a speeding problem in your neighborhood? Report speeding concerns by calling the anonymous tip line: 610-384-9163, extension 5. Please provide us specific details on where the problem is occurring. The department will investigate all requests.

2022 Leaf Collection Program to Begin on October 17

East Fallowfield Township's Fall Leaf Collection Program, provided by the Township's Public Works Department Begins on Monday, October 17! This free curbside collection service is available every Monday until December 12. Appointments are no longer required for this service!

Homeowners may dispose of leaves in biodegradable paper yard waste bags (preferred method) or by placing them in hard containers marked 'yard waste.' Plastic bags will not be taken. Collection service is free, but there is a limit of ten paper bags for each collection.



Leaf collection dates are subject to change or delay because of inclement weather, equipment, or high leaf volume. Yard waste MUST be at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on the collection day. If it is not out on time, collection crews will not go back to pick it up.

Consider Environmentally Friendly Leaf Collection Alternatives

Residents are also encouraged to use other environmentally friendly ways of disposing of leaves. Place leaves in and around plant beds and under trees and shrubs to provide nutrients for the soil and insulation for rose bushes and other fickle plants, or use a mulching lawn mower to return those nutrients back to your lawn.

A reminder that the burning of leaves is not permitted within Township limits.

Residents may also dispose of leaves by taking them to the Township's compost site located at 2240 Upper Gap Road, Coatesville (South Coatesville). The compost site is open on the second Saturday of every month. This is a free service available to Township residents.

East Fallowfield Township

2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Board of Supervisors Meetings				
Second & fourth Tuesday of month at 6:30 p.m.				
January 10	May 9	September 12		
January 24	May 23	September 26		
February 14	June 13	October 10		
February 28	June 27	October 24		
March 14	July 11	November 14		
March 28	July 25	November 28		
April 11	August 8	*December 12 & *19		
April 25	August 22	*December 26		

Strategic Planning			
Steering Committee/EAC Meetings Third Thursday of month at 6:30 p.m.			
January 19	May 18	September 21	
February 16	June 15	October 19	
March 16	July 20	November 16	
April 20	August 17	December 21	

Municipal Bldg. Comm. Mtg.-Fourth Monday of month at 6:30 p.m.

Township Reorganization Meeting - Tuesday, January 3 at 6 p.m.

Elected Board of Auditors Mtg. - Wednesday January 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Planning Commission Meetings			
First & third Monday of month at 6:30 p.m.			
*January 9	May 1	*September 11	
*January 16	May 15	September 18	
February 6	June 5	October 2	
*February 13	*June 19	October 16	
March 6	July 3	November 6	
March 20	July 17	November 20	
April 3	August 7	December 4	
April 17	August 21	December 18	

Park & Recreation Meetings			
First & third Tuesday of month at 6:30 p.m.			
January 3	May 2	September 5	
January 17	May 16	September 19	
February 7	June 6	October 3	
February 21	June 20	October 17	
March 7	*July 5	November 7	
March 21	July 18	November 21	
April 4	August 1	December 5	
April 18	August 15	*December 20	

Historic Commission Meetings

As needed/first & third Wednesday of month at 6:30 p.m.

HOLIDAYS OBSERVED-When a holiday falls within the week, trash, recycling and bulk will be picked up on **Saturday**. Holidays are: New Year's Day (Observed) - Monday, January 2; Memorial Day - Monday, May 29; Independence Day - Tuesday, July 4; Labor Day - Monday, September 4; Thanksgiving Day - Thursday, November 23; and Christmas Day - Monday, December 25. Holidays that fall on a Saturday or Sunday will not affect your trash pickup.

Recycling - every other Friday, unless indicated *

WEST SIDE		EAST SIDE			
*Sat., January 7	May 12	September 15	January 13	May 19	September 22
January 20	May 26	September 29	January 27	*Saturday, June 3	October 6
February 3	June 9	October 13	February 10	June 16	October 20
February 17	June 23	October 27	February 24	June 30	November 3
March 3	*Saturday, July 8	November 10	March 10	July 14	November 17
March 17	July 21	*Sat., November 25	March 24	July 28	December 1
March 31	August 4	December 8	April 7	August 11	December 15
April 14	August 18	December 22	April 21	August 25	*Sat., December 30
April 28	September 1		May 5 *Saturday, September 9		

Trash

Every Friday unless holiday week, then Saturday.

Leaf Pick-up

Every Monday from October 16 until December 18. Must be in biodegradable bags, no plastic bags.

Yard Waste/Chipping Service

First Monday of the month unless holiday, then Tuesday.

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First Friday of every month unless holiday, then Saturday. 2 items max.

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