



E-Pathways: Your direct source for information

Dear Residents,

We hope you are enjoying the summer months and the opportunities the good weather brings to explore the [Perkiomen Creek Water Trail](#), Meadow Park, Music in the Meadow, the Perkiomen Trail or other regional outdoor recreation spots. One of our greatest resources and a local partner is the [Perkiomen Watershed](#). Their programming is superb and their special events and activities list keeps expanding. Consider joining their volunteer ranks and contributing to their conservancy efforts.



[Pennypacker Mills Historic Site](#) also offers educational and entertainment activities and programming. See their flyer posted below for this weekend's activity.

Schwenksville's Activities committee has one last summer concert planned for August 18th and is busy planning Community Day for September 18th from 10 AM to 2 PM. Save the dates!!

Mayor's "Making a Difference" Community Service Award

Mayor Joseph Giunta asked Borough Council to create an award program to recognize volunteers who make a difference in the Schwenksville community. In 2019, Ronald Clossin became the first recipient of the award.

No award was given out in 2020 but the Mayor made up for that by awarding the 2021 award jointly to Harry and Gail Philips - because "Everyone knows that Harry and Gail Phillips are a 'package deal'." They were chosen by Mayor Giunta because "they support each other and their family members in every way possible: loyalty, confidentiality, dependability, compassion, advocacy, and a



willingness to do whatever it takes to improve, assist or problem solve for their family, friends, and community; these are the values and attitude they exemplify at home, at work and in their community." Harry is very active in the Patriotic Order, Sons of America *Washington Camp* as well as helping the Borough with special projects; and Gail is heavily involved with the Activities Committee, and Property Maintenance that extends well beyond her professional duties as the Borough's Secretary-Treasurer.

At their July Council Meeting Borough Council adopted Resolution 2021-14 Recognizing Harry and Gail Phillip's Community Service and their names were added to the plaque at Borough Hall. Thank you to Harry & Gail for their contributions to their community.

Consider Serving on the Board of Auditors

The Borough Code requires a Board of Auditors composed of three individuals elected at large for a six-year term each. Their primary responsibility is the preparation of the Borough's Annual Financial Statements and completing the Department of Community and Economic Development's [DCED's] Finance Report . The statements and report are prepared following an audit of the completed fiscal year in accordance with DCED guidelines that are easy to follow.

The Borough is fortunate to have a strong and very qualified "lead Auditor" in Paula Steiger who has agreed to run for re-election and will be on the Ballot this November. Unfortunately, no other candidates filed papers for candidacy and there will be two vacancies. There needs to be a board majority to complete the audit and ideally three members. They are the only elected officials in Schwenksville who get paid for their time, at a rate of \$10.00 per hour.

If the Borough is unable to elect or appoint two additional Auditors, Borough Council will need to adopt an Ordinance redirecting the Audit/Financial Reporting duties to a Certified Public Accountant firm and will have to budget the considerable expense annually.

Please consider seeking this office. Please contact us at info@schwenksville-pa.org if you are interested in becoming an auditor and staff will have a member of Borough Council reach out to you.

What's next for 415 Main Street?



Schwenksville Borough is accepting **Real Estate Interest Registrants** for people interested in receiving the Real Estate Information Packet and Request for Proposals (RFP) for people interested in purchasing the former Univest Bank Property on the corner of Main Street and Centennial Street.

Schwenksville Borough is Partnering with Univest Bank and the

Redevelopment Authority of Montgomery County to find the next owner of this charming and locally significant building. So if you have an entrepreneurial idea for a business or know of someone looking to open a business in the area please let them know about this great property. In the near future an RFP will be issued and interested parties will be given a chance to tour the building.

Music in the Meadow - One Concert Remains



**Wednesday
Aug 18: 6:00
PM -8:00PM**

"Rhodes

Less

Traveled"

is a band

shaped by years of performance and forged with rich, eclectic flavors. They blend style, substance, and melody with dynamic three-part harmonies to be enjoyed by all ages.



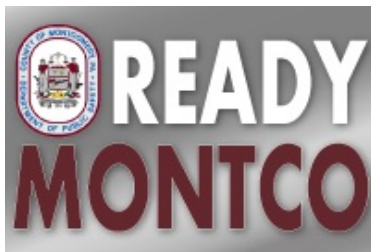
All concerts are held at Meadow Park located behind 300 Main Street. Parking is available in front, behind (trail side) and in the meadow near the boat ramp. The Boy Scouts will be selling refreshments but people are permitted to bring their own food and non-alcoholic beverages. Please no smoking on Borough property. Provide your own chairs and blankets for use in the meadow.



Sponsors: DJM Design CAD & Coordination Services, The Schwenksville Tax Collector Thomas Laconis, Wawa, Landis Supermarket, XL Home Improvements, Victory Bank, The Goddard School, Spring Mountain Adventures, Univest Bank and Trust.

The Left Edge - July 21st at Meadow Park
Photos by Tom Laconis

ARE YOU READY MONTCO?



If you want to be alerted to emergencies and be informed, consider being "ReadyMontco"! Schwenksville Borough is striving to use ReadyMontco to send its emergency notifications. It's your official source for notifications about emergencies, severe weather, crime alerts and disasters. With ReadyMontco, you can choose to receive alerts via text, email and/or phone. You can

also choose to receive alerts from other parts of Montgomery County -maybe from where you work or whether other family members live.

ReadyMontco is administered by the **Montgomery County Department of Public Safety** and comes to you free of charge (text messaging and voice rates may apply). All it takes is about 10 minutes to create a profile and you'll be READY to go! **To sign up go to www.readymontco.org and click on**

the Sign Up tab at the top of the page. If you need assistance, consider reaching out to a family member or neighbor. There is also a short "how to sign up" video you can watch. You will need to provide an email address to register, if you don't use email regularly, consider asking a friend to help you set up a GMAIL Account. You'll be prompted to enter basic contact information about how you would like to be contacted. If you have a smart phone, you can download the Everbridge Mobile Member from the App Store on your iPhone or Android. If you have questions, please call Borough Emergency Management Coordinator Chris Melville at 610-287-7442, Ext. 101.

Smart 911 is here!

In an emergency, seconds count! Montgomery County has partnered with Smart911, allowing you to create an online profile that provides key information to 911, and first responders. You can upload as much, or as little information as you would like. Your profile can include information about your address, members of your household (2 and 4 legged!), or any medical information such as preexisting conditions or medication.

How does the system work in an emergency? When you dial 911, your profile will appear for the 911 call taker and dispatcher allowing them to access the information you have shared. Pertinent information can then be relayed to first responders. The information is safe, secure, and is only available when you call 911-The system is not accessible without the completion of a 911 call.

Help keep your loved ones safe by creating your free profile today for your household by visiting www.Smart911.com.

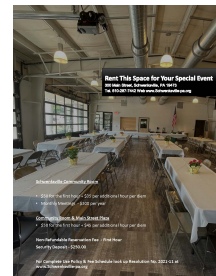
Electronic Sign Is Re-activated

The electronic sign at 300 Main Street is operational again! After being shut down for more than a year due to construction and necessary updates, the much used and appreciated public communication tool is up and running again. To advertise on the sign please consult the Borough Website for the [application](#) and [fee schedule](#). Please check the sign for public information and important community messages.



Reservations for Borough Facilities

The Borough is now accepting [applications](#) for reservation of the various borough facilities available for public use. These include the Meadow Park Pavilion, the Schwenksville Community Room, the Borough Hall Meeting Room and the Main Street Plaza/Pavilion. Groups wishing to reserve these facilities should complete an on-line application. The Borough staff will determine availability and provide a link to the Facilities Usage Policy/Fee Schedule and Waiver of Liability Form. Groups larger than 25 persons for an organized outdoor assembly are required to get a permit.



Woodland Avenue on the 2022 List

As the Borough works to complete 2021 construction projects, we are

already planning for 2022. The Borough was recently notified that its application for funding to repair the stormwater conveyance system and resurface the roadway has been recommended for approval for Woodland Avenue improvements. Design work will be completed over the winter and the project will be publicly bid in spring 2022.



Activities Around the Borough

Did you know that **Pennypacker Mill Historic Site**, 5 Haldeman Rd, Schwenksville, PA 19473, offers educational and fun programming?

Attached is a poster covering a summer concerts on the porch event with a program specifically designed for kids and families. This dynamic duo will have them singing, dancing, jiggling & running around the lawn. Come out and join in the fun!

Performance on the Porch

Colonial Frolic:
Early American Songs, Singing & Games
Saturday, August 14th 4:00 pm FREE



Enjoy favorite rhymes, riddles, rounds, and ditties from the 17th to early 19th centuries. For kids, their parents, and their grandparents! Enjoy outdoor musical entertainment for the whole family! Bring a chair or blanket to sit on.

Sponsored by the Friends of Pennypacker Mills.



Your Local Government Locations

Schwenksville Borough Operations recently moved to 300 Main Street. Public entry is currently limited due to COVID-19 safety measures. However, staff is working at the new Schwenksville Borough Hall and Community Center and can be reached via intercom at the Main Entrance in the front of the building or by phone or email . **Please note that the Schwenksville Borough Authority Water and Sewer Office has not moved or merged with Borough Hall and is still located at the Markley Building, 298 Main Street.** Please do not drop off your water and sewer payments at Borough Hall.



- **Schwenksville Borough Hall & Community Center** : Located at 300 Main Street, Schwenksville, PA 19473. Tel. 610-287-7442 Fax. 610-287-8098 email: info@schwenksville-pa.org. [Website www.schwenksville-pa.org](http://www.schwenksville-pa.org).
- **Schwenksville Borough Authority - Water & Sewer Business** : Located at 298 Main Street in the Markley Building. All bill payments and inquiries regarding Water & Sewer Service, Repairs or Projects should be directed to the Authority. Tel. 610-287-7772. Email: schwenksvillebaws@gmail.com. Website: [Water - Schwenksville Borough Authority \(sbawspa.org\)](http://Water-SchwenksvilleBoroughAuthority.org)
- **Schwenksville Tax Collector**: In-person Collection dates will be on your Tax Bill. Please visit Tax Collector Tom Laconis's [Website](#) for more information. All in person collection is at 300 Main Street.
- **Voting**: Voting has been relocated to the Schwenksville Elementary School located at 55 Second Street for in person voting on election day. Montgomery County Voter Services should be contacted for alternative voting procedures.

Swimming Pools Should not be drained into the Street



[Schwenksville Borough, PA \(schwenksville-pa.org\)](http://schwenksville-pa.org) Storm drains carry stormwater directly to the Perkiomen Creek without treatment. Chemically treated water from swimming pools, greywater and soapy water from car washes are not to be drained to a street where it can enter the storm drain and flow to the creek. This is a leading cause of non-point pollution to our waterways. [DEP Swimming Pool Information](#)

Should you have questions or concerns about information contained in this e-newsletter; about projects being undertaken by Schwenksville Borough or about Borough operations please contact us at info@schwenksville-pa.org or call 610-287-7442. Residents are also welcome to attend a Council Meeting on the 2nd Thursday of each Month at 7 PM --except for January of even years when the Borough conducts a reorganization meeting the first Monday or day after a Monday holiday in January. Beginning in June meetings will be held in person at Borough Hall, 300 Main Street.

Hours of Operation

M- Thursday 9 AM - 5PM
[closed 12PM to 1PM]
Friday 9AM - 2PM
300 Main Street
Schwenksville, PA 19473
Phone (610) 287-7442
Fax (610)287-8098



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