MESSAGE FROM THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER

Dear Lyceum Newsletter Readers,

First, let me congratulate everyone on making it through the oddest summer in history. I hope you are all enjoying the beginning of fall. The bright side to cooler weather is that your face will no longer sweat while wearing a mask, and also sweatpants!

The Township staff and Supervisors have been hard at work on several large projects, some of which are still in discussion (um...hello, sewer sale?) and some of which residents are taking full advantage of.

Due to the hard work of Kati Parlier, Tony Scheivert and the Supervisors, Phase 2 of New Garden Park is complete. It is really great to see so many people take advantage of the trails and what it has to offer. The only downside is that I can see all of these people walking past as I sit here typing and gaining weight. Making a mental note to pack my sneakers tomorrow.

As you are well aware, we are diligently working on a Master Plan for the St. Anthony’s in the Hills property. I am hoping that you gave your input through the survey, and possibly forced your children to take it as home-based learning extra credit as I suggested. Our website has an entire section devoted to this project if you want more information. It is a pretty fantastic and unique opportunity for a Township and we want to make sure that everyone is involved. Just a reminder that while the Township does own St. Anthony’s in the Hills, it is still closed to the public at this time.

In the past few months, we have also hired two new employees in the office. We now have Christian Adamek

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serving as our Zoning and Codes Officer. Chris comes from a long tenure serving in a similar capacity for the Borough of West Chester. He has jumped right in to the mix and has been devoted to helping residents and contractors ever since. Our second addition, Rhonda Swarter, serves as our new part-time receptionist. If you have been lucky enough to chat or visit with Rhonda, you’re well aware of what a lovely and helpful woman she is. We are all very lucky to have such great additions to the crew.

All jokes aside, we are hoping to have some official updates on the Sewer Sale and will continue to address them during our monthly Board of Supervisors meetings. The same can be said for the White Clay Point property.

As always, we love hearing from you and hope you love hearing from us. We are now on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. I refuse to sign us up for Tik Tok or SnapChat, mostly because I can’t dance and don’t understand the purpose of either (I’m old). And if you haven’t signed up, we send out email blasts and “Friday Updates from the Manager” that you may sign up for on our website www.newgarden.org under the “sign up” link. I also suggest that you visit www.readychesco.org to sign up for County emergency updates.

If you need anything or are just in the mood to chat, feel free to call me! 610.268.2915 x102 or email rreiner@newgarden.org. We are here for you!

Happy Fall, Ya’ll!
Ramsey
NEW GARDEN TOWNSHIP

PUMPKIN & SCARECROW
CONTEST

Pick up FREE supplies at the New Garden Twp. Building
Oct. 12-23 M-F 8am-4pm & Sat., Oct 17 10am-12pm
We supply the basics, you supply the creativity and whatever you have at home!
Supplies include: pumpkin, straw, bands, rope & fasteners.

RULES:
To enter the contest you MUST email one photo for each of your pumpkin(s) and/or scarecrow(s) to office@newgarden.org with subject line "CONTEST".
DEADLINE for submission is midnight 10/25. For fun, please share on the Twp. Facebook, Instagram and Twitter pages.
One winner will be selected for EACH, pumpkins and scarecrows, on the following categories:

SCARLEST
FUNNIEST
MOST CREATIVE
BEST TOWNSHIP SPIRIT

Winners will be announced on Oct. 30th. Prizes are $25 gift cards to local eateries like Lilliana's, Landenberg Store and Cafe Americana

DON'T BE SCARED! ALL TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS & BUSINESSES ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE
VA LA VINEYARD, Avondale- Anthony Vietri

How has your business been impacted by COVID-19 restrictions?- Our business was immediately impacted about as directly as one could imagine. We are a very small family farm, and sell the entirety of our yearly production directly to the public at our barn (tasting room). Unfortunately, our tasting room was closed due to pandemic orders on March 16 of this year, and has remained so ever since. This of course was an extremely difficult blow. But times are difficult for everyone, and I don’t think that our story is that different from what most other folks are going through. We have just tried to pick ourselves up, keep our heads down, and work harder. We have made the adjustments that we have needed to make, and we have been absolutely blessed by this New Garden community. Our extremely wonderful and loyal customers have come out to support us, and they have been instrumental in getting us through. We cherish them, and appreciate them beyond what I can put into words.

Have you made changes to your business model because of COVID-19 restrictions?- Yes. This experience has really made us see what is most important to us, in our business and in our lives. It has given us renewed focus, and we are actually very excited about the future. Maybe that makes us crazy, I don’t know!

What positives have you seen through this difficult time?- Well, our family has been on this farm for five generations, and they have seen a lot of difficult times. But I do try to see that this experience definitely has some positives to it. It is humbling, but if you survive it, you definitely come out stronger and better for it on the other side. And that is exciting to think about.

Liliana’s Pizza & Grill, Toughkenamon- Gladys Valentin

This year has been challenging and different for sure but we are doing well in spite of all this thanks to our loyal customers. I’d definitely have to say if anything it’s all the road closures that are hurting us here at Liliana’s. Hopefully it’ll all be over soon. In the meantime we’re all in this together, so let’s remember to wear our masks in public.

Harvest Ridge Winery, Toughkenamon- Kristi Wyatt

How has your business been impacted by COVID-19 restrictions?- Harvest Ridge was impacted in both positive and negative ways with the restrictions the Governor set. Positively, we had a lot of support from the local community that took advantage of curbside pick-up and purchased our wines at local stores that carry our products. Negatively, it was a paradigm shift not to be able to host our loyal customers in the tasting room.

Have you made changes to your business model because of COVID-19 restrictions?- Absolutely, you have to!
What positives have you seen through this difficult time? - Like I said before, the biggest positive was, and still is, the support of our local community. We appreciate that so much! Also, we learned to work remote, like most people have, and we have saved a ton of trees by not printing out every document that gets sent to us!!

Q-Fix, Avondale- John Larock

How has your business been impacted by COVID-19 restrictions? - Qfix is a manufacturer of immobilization and positioning products for the global cancer treatment market. During Covid-19, delays in cancer diagnoses and treatment impacted the demand for the company’s products; however, as a Life Sustaining Business, the Company was not forced to close during the COVID shut-down phase. Local/state restrictions have had a significant impact on our employee population. Employees that can work from home have done so. PPE (Personal protective equipment) requirements for onsite employees are a necessity to create a secure environment for our employees.

Have you made changes to your business model because of COVID-19 restrictions? - Qfix has made temporary changes to address cancellation of trade shows and conferences, travel restrictions, and an increase in remote workers, but we have not made fundamental changes to our business model. Our business teams have participated in virtual conferences and have provided virtual and live-streamed training for our customers. Through the use and expansion of information technology, we have been able to balance managing and engaging our remote workforce in addition to our onsite workforce in full PPE.

What positives have you seen through this difficult time?

While challenging, there were also positives during this time:

(1) **Our company was able to identify and secure necessary PPE and safety supplies during the pandemic.** This was accomplished by truly working as a team of internal resources and external partners. Our engineers, designers, and production employees were able to manufacture face shields, not only for our employees, but also for the community. An attached photo shows a delivery going to Lancaster General Health, which is one of Penn Medicine’s satellite locations. Additionally, we were supported by our local community. Sew for PA in Chester County made and donated hundreds of cloth masks for our employees. Also, when it was difficult to obtain hand sanitizer, we were able to obtain a supply from Faber Distilling Co., located in Quakertown, PA.

(2) **Qfix developed creative and innovative ways to improve communications internally and externally.** Due to necessity, we found alternative ways to do business and minimize in-person interactions. Our marketing team developed and implemented many virtual training and live customer support tools that we have utilized with partners worldwide. We increased our social media presence and content. We found ways to engage our current employees and future recruits through the use of virtual meeting technologies.

(3) **We have instituted health and safety measures that we hope keep our employees safer in general.** By adding safety measures to reduce Covid-19 spread, we are also creating a safer and healthier environment overall. Our facilities now have more automatic hand sanitizer and soap dispensers and no-hand door pulls. Improved safety procedures include handwashing, personal health monitoring, sanitation procedures, etc. Employee mindsets have been more focused on safety and health than ever before. We expect this to have beneficial effects long after the current Covid-19 experience is thankfully behind us.
**NEWS FOR YOUR SEWER BILL**

We have a new feature! Drumroll...Drop Box!!

For those of you who are used to dropping off your sewer and permit payments in person, the Township has now added a Drop Box to the front door of the Township building. Please make sure to place your payment in a #10 or smaller envelope along with any other documents before placing in the drop box. Now you’re able to securely drop off payments at your convenience.

Thank you!
Joanne Hafner, Sewer Billing Clerk

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**TOWNSHIP FINANCE UPDATE**

There have been concerns throughout the year that the budget would be adversely affected by COVID-19, especially revenues.

Through September 21st, the effect has not been as dramatic as anticipated. Real Estate Taxes are down about .5% from last year. This may be due to the extension of the face period moving the due date to September 30th. Real Estate Transfer Taxes and Local Services Taxes are both ahead of last year. Transfer Taxes got a huge boost early in the year from an unexpected transfer that generated almost $68,000.

The Amusement Tax is about 25% behind. This is mostly golf related and certainly affected by COVID-19. However, it is not a major revenue source. Earned Income Taxes are where revenues have been mostly affected. General Fund is about 9% ($177,500) behind last year and Open Space about 10% ($35,500) behind last year.

Township Departments have been running close to normal and have been “holding the line” as best as possible with expenditures to reduce the effect of the revenue’s short fall. Additionally, the annual transfer of funds to the Capital Reserve Fund have been delayed until it can be determined that these funds will not be needed toward operating expenses.

The Township will continue to monitor the budget and attempt to make adjustments as needed to have the lowest impact on the budgeted operations.

Interest Income is about 10% of last year but this was anticipated in the budget.

Fines are 30% lower than 2019 and, according to SCCRPD, this is a reflection on reduced activity from the Coronavirus.

Codes income (building/plumbing/mechanical/etc. permits) is down about 5% and this is partly due to lost activity during the period of March through June, when construction was halted for non-life-sustaining projects.

So, while 2020 was not exactly the year we anticipated, the impact has not been as severe as it possibly could have been.

By: Lewis Gay, Township Treasurer/ Finance Director
This summer, just like every summer, was another busy one for the Public Works Department. 2020 had additional challenges to our schedule like it did for many people. Due to COVID-19 restrictions and precautions our crews spent most of the spring and early summer split up and working alternating shifts to help keep everyone safe and healthy. That limited the number of projects we were able to finish this year but, we still got a fair amount done, all things considered. There were almost 30 areas of base repair completed by our crews before the surface treatment projects for 2020 could start. Each area was saw cut, the existing blacktop was removed and recycled, then the area was dug down to 18” deep. Following that we put 6” of #3 stone, 4” of modified stone to give the new blacktop a base to sit on and finally 4” of hot mix blacktop. Each lift was compacted and then the next lift is applied and compacted. By the time all of that is done, each area takes a day to do from start to finish.

As a result of our 300+ annual inlet inspections, we found a number of inlets that need to be either repaired or rebuilt. Simple repairs consist of filling a few cracks in the inlet box with some concrete caulk or a maybe a few rocks and some mortar, while total rebuilds, like the pictures below, involve removing the majority of the main inlet box and forming a new box and pouring concrete to complete the job.

*Hurricane Isaias*

Hurricane Isaias and the storms that followed in the days after wreaked havoc on the area and caused significant damage and wide spread power outages. Many roads were flooded following 12+” of rain in a short amount of time which made travel next to impossible. The Public Works Department worked through the storms and worked nonstop for several days following the storms to get things back to normal. We had numerous washouts which were filled in and
too many trees, limbs, branches, and debris covering to road to count. Overall clean-up is still ongoing but excluding a few areas that had power lines involved, in which case we have to wait for PECO to clear the lines, there weren’t any roadways that were closed for more than a few hours. All eight traffic signals in the Township lost power during the storm and were running on generator power for several days until power was restored. During storms we would like to remind everyone to stay at home if possible and don’t go out driving just to see the damage. The more cars on the road the longer it takes our workers to get to an area to get the tree cleared or to put up road closed signs.

**Surface Treatments**

Roadway maintenance projects this year totaled over $400,000 for 2020. To be exact, a total of $420,059.20 was spent on road sealing and repaving. For 2020 we milled 2” off of the existing roadways and then applied 2-1/2” of 19mm as a “level” course and an addition 1-1/2” of 9.5mm as a wearing course. A total of 1 mile of Sharp Road was paved in three separate sections between Hillendale Road and Pine Valley Drive. The milling process removes the existing road surface to a predetermined depth. This allows the contractor to slightly reshape the road to assist with proper drainage and also to lower the road height to allow for the extra height that will be added with the level and wearing course. Once that is completed and the roadway is swept up from all remaining stone and debris, the roads get a tack coat to help the new blacktop adhere to the old road surface and help seal up any cracks. Then the level course is applied to fill in any low spots and set the crown to allow storm water to run off the roadway. This blacktop mix has slightly larger stone than the wearing course which gives the roadway a little structure. The final step in the paving project is the wearing course. This is another variation of blacktop however it uses smaller stone than the level course and it gives the roadway a nice smooth, quiet ride. As mentioned previously we paved 1 mile of roadway and the cost of the paving was $270,559.20.

The remainder of the money spent on road work this year was for tar/chip and fog sealing. Almost 2 miles of roadway were tar/chipped and fog sealed this year. Those roads were: Skyline Drive, Dangina Drive, Shortledge Court, Healy Place, Sunrise Drive, Garden Drive, Parrish Court, and Red Clay Court.

The tar/chip/fog seal process helps seal up cracks in the road and keeps water out of them. One of the most detrimental factors to roadways is water. As water gets down in the crack of the road and traffic drives over it, the tires act as a pressure washer and force the water deeper into the road bed/crack. In winter, the freeze/thaw cycles in the area freeze that water, which makes it expand and then opens the crack even more. When we apply salt or the temperature rises the ice melts and the water drops down into the crack that it just made bigger. When freezing temperatures arrive again the water once again freezes and expands which starts the whole cycle over again. That freeze/thaw cycle is one of the main causes of potholes. By eliminating the water in the cracks, we can significantly increase the life of the road by keeping water from causing any damage. We have received several phone calls about why we did something to one road versus another. Common practice is to “keep the good roads good.” Meaning a little preventative maintenance on a road that only has a few cracks is far cheaper to do it now as opposed to sinking tons of money into a road that is already severely damaged. With over 60 miles of roadway throughout the Township we should be treating about three miles of roadway a year to stay on top of the situation. For 2020 the tar/chip/fog seal projects covered roughly 2 miles of roadway and the total came out to $149,500.00. Below is a before and after picture of the road way. As you can see there is severe cracking in the original blacktop. Following the tar/chip process, all of those cracks are covered and sealed. When the fog seal is completed a few weeks after the tar/chip, all the loose stone is covered and the roadway is back to the black appearance of asphalt.
Between all the base repair, inlet inspections, paving, and storm cleanup, we also completed a number of smaller projects as well. Just to name a few of the bigger ones, we have made almost 300 sign repairs, this could be as simple as just replacing a single bolt to a full replacement following being struck by a vehicle. We also mowed road banks three times, relined a 48” CMP with Snap-Tite pipe, and continuous sewer related projects.

Generator safety

Given the amount of storms and power outages most of us faced I figured it would be a good idea to remind everyone of some generator tips and safety precautions. If not followed generators can be very dangerous and can threaten the lives of your family and neighbors, as well as the utility workers trying to get the power restored to the area.

- Always read and understand the manual supplied with the generator to ensure proper operation.
- Never “back feed” the panel through an outlet. It is illegal!
- NEVER run your generator in an enclosed area such as in a basement/crawl space or a garage, even if the door is open. The generator puts off carbon monoxide (CO) which is an odorless and colorless gas that can cause sudden illness and death.
- Generators should be operated at least 20 feet from buildings and even at that distance there still is the possibility of the CO entering the building through windows/doors, or attic vents, especially with the use of fans to pull in “fresh” air. Also, keep the generator as level as possible. If tilted, the engine oil can be kept away from the oil pump and cause engine failure.
- Always keep a working carbon monoxide detector in any occupied building and remember most of them are good for five (5) years. After that they can give false positives, or even worse, not notify you in the event of a high level of CO in a building.
- Keep the generator as dry as possible to reduce the possibility of being shocked or electrocuted.
Winter is right around the corner

Fall is upon us already and winter will follow close behind. Fingers crossed we have another mild winter like we did last year with minimal amounts of snow. Not sure we will get that lucky two years in a row!

The Public Works Department is called in as soon as the first flake starts to fall, in most cases. They work many long, exhausting hours to keep the roads as clear as possible during the storm and then continue working after the storm to get everything pushed back and cleaned up. New Garden Public Works is responsible for about 62 miles of roadway which equates to almost 125 lane miles. Each driver has a dedicated truck and route to help make the process as efficient as possible. Our priority during the storm is to keep the main Township maintained roads open and passable, then concentrate on the lesser traveled and development roads. During smaller snow storms in which we only receive a few inches of snow and the temperatures are reasonable, the roadways are treated with a mixture of salt and anti-skid material to melt the ice and snow and keep it from freezing to the roadway. Under normal circumstances, that application takes two and half to three hours to complete. As temperatures drop the salt becomes less effective and another round of salt is needed to complete the deicing process.

There are a few tips to make it through the snowy season with as little headache as possible.

- **If you don't need to be out, DON'T GO OUT!!** As mentioned earlier, the less traffic on the road the quicker and safer we can do our job of removing the snow and ice from the roadway.
- **Don't park vehicles on the street before or during a snow storm.** Several Township maintained roads are narrow and on hills. If the plow truck can’t safely pass the vehicle, the street will not be plowed until the vehicle is removed, at the owner’s expense if it needs to be towed.
- **Wait to clear your driveway until after the snow plow goes through!!** No one likes to clear their driveway twice. There is nothing more frustrating than clearing your driveway and have it pushed back in when the plow comes through. While we all do our best to minimize plowing in a resident’s driveway, there is one place we have to push snow and that is on the side of the road.
- **While clearing your driveway, sidewalk, mailbox area, use this picture to help reduce the chance of getting plowed back in.**

![Diagram](image)

- **Do not shovel, throw, or push snow into the roadway.** Snow put on the roadway from your driveway or sidewalk can be a safety hazard and can cause an accident. Instead of putting it in the street use the picture above and pile snow with the direction of travel.
- **Be sure your mailbox and post are in good condition.** All the plow drivers do their best to not cause damage to anyone’s property. However, snow coming from the plow of a truck driving down the road can easily bring down mailboxes and posts. The bigger the mailbox the more likely they are to break. The Township policy regarding mailboxes is simple, if we damage the box with the truck or plow, we will make necessary repairs or
regarding mailboxes is simple, if we damage the box with the truck or plow, we will make necessary repairs or
reimburse the property owner up to $50. However, if the damage is caused by the snow coming from the plow
the property owner/resident is responsible for the repairs.

- Place reflective driveway markers one foot from the edge of the roadway to minimize damage from snow
plows. The spacing depends on the object you are trying to mark. A straight front yard can be spaced out a
little further than if you live on a curve. Other items that are beneficial to mark are fire hydrants, utility boxes,
and inlet grates.

Kennett Amateur Theatrical Society, Inc.

The Mystery of
Humpty Dumpty

Drive-thru
Murder
Mystery

October 10, 2020
4:00pm – 6:00pm
St. Anthony’s in the Hills
9112 Gap Newport Pike, Landenberg PA
$10/car

For Information and Tickets Visit
www.callkats.org
The Adult Literacy Program (ALP) at the Kennett Library will begin its Fall semester the week of September 21st. Register today!

LEARN WITH US!

Virtual Classes on Zoom

7:00 to 8:30 p.m.  
Beginning September 22 or 24

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¡APRENDA CON NOSOTROS!

Clases virtuales en Zoom

de 7:00 a 8:30 p.m.  
Empezando el 22 o 24 de septiembre

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Southern Chester County Regional Police Department earns Accreditation

Following 18-months of dedicated and challenging labors, the Southern Chester County Regional Police Department is proud to announce that on August 4th, 2020, the organization has been awarded Accredited status by the Pennsylvania Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission (PLEAC).

On January 1, 2019, the Public Safety Commission authorized the opening of the Office of Accreditation, staffed by Lt. Joseph F. Greenwalt and Sandy Lutz. The team began their work by creating over 60 department policies that are recognized as “best practice” which adhered to 136 highest acknowledged standards identified by PLEAC. While maintaining efficiency in their primary assignments, our accreditation manager Lt. Greenwalt led the way with the invaluable assistance provided by Sandy Lutz who served as co-manager.

Less than 10% of law enforcement agencies have accredited status in Pennsylvania. SCCRPD now joins six other Chester County law enforcement departments and 120 throughout the Commonwealth. Our reasons for seeking accredited status go beyond prestige, as listed identified by PLEAC:

The Benefits of Accreditation:

- Establishes a credible framework for evaluating agency practices and procedures
- Reduces agency risk and exposure to lawsuits
- Decreases some liability insurance expenditures
- Improves law enforcement – community relations
- Increases employee input, interaction and confidence in the agency
- Enlarges the outlook and viewpoints of managers, officers and employees
- Identifies and highlights the capabilities and competence of the agency
- Furnishes a solid foundation for the agency to build upon for further progress
- Provides reliable methods to improve essential management procedures
- Extends agency accountability to the public and elected officials
- Enhances planning and innovative activities by all agency personnel
- Develops improved methods for providing services to the community
- Encourages problem-solving activities within the agency

In conclusion, Chief Simpson is extremely proud of his staff and would also like to acknowledge the efforts of Captain John Campanella, Ret., of Campanella Consultants who was instrumental in aiding the Office of Accreditation in the creation of an aggressive timeline.

You may also view the following article that was published in the Daily Local Newspaper on August 6, 2020.
Kennett Library Update

The Kennett Library continues to make progress on the plans for the new Library. At its July meeting Kennett Square Borough Council unanimously approved the design of the new building and at its August meeting, again with a unanimous vote, council approved a proposed text amendment to its parking ordinance that allows the Library and other property owners to use the Municipal Garage to meet its parking requirement if the property is within 1,500 feet of the garage.

In other news, a committee led by Library Trustee President Jeff Yetter worked on creating a new website for the Library. We are encouraging everyone to check out the new site at www.KennettLibrary.org. This site is more user friendly and allows Library staff to update the site as needed.

The Library continues with its virtual programming and the summer reading program, where students read 15 minutes a day and then get to pick a weekly prize out of a fully stocked “goodie” closet. For details on all of the programs visit the website.

Curbside pick-up is still available at the Library, but you can now visit the library for browsing the stacks. Library hours: Monday & Thursday – 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday – 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, the 2020 Presidential Election on November 3rd will follow the same precautions implemented in the recent Primary Election. These include required wearing a face mask, providing social distance and regular sanitizing of voting booths and other safety measures for voters and poll workers. Positions on the ballot are: President of the United States, Pennsylvania's 6th Congressional District election, State Attorney General, State Auditor, State Treasurer, State Senate District 19 and State House of Representatives District 158. For up to date information go to https://ballotpedia.org/ or https://chesco.org/2428/Sample-Ballots.

There are three Election Boards in New Garden Township serving three respective precincts each containing a polling station (where to vote). There are about 2,300 registered voters in each precinct. Referring to the map, Precinct 385 serves the north part of the Township where its registered voters vote in the Bancroft Elementary School. Precinct 390 serves the middle part where the Township building houses its polling station. Precinct 391 serves the southern portion of the Township, the Kennett Middle School provides the polling station for its residents.

All the Election Boards are managed by three elected officials and volunteers (“clerks”). Three elected positions are for Judge of Elections, Majority Inspector and Minority Inspector. If an Inspector isn't present or available then the Judge selects one. Inspectors and clerks operate the voting machines, record the voter’s name and account for the ballots cast. The day is long for the board members, some attending the polling station for the entire day. Setup is 6AM. Voting begins at 7AM and closes 8PM sharp. Then, depending on the number of ballots cast that day, the polling tasks take another two-three hours counting ballots, tabulating the vote and finally two members deliver the ballots to West Chester Voter Services. Members of the Election Board are compensated for their duties.

74% of registered New Garden Township voters participated in the 2016 Presidential November General Election. A higher participation is anticipated for the 2020 Election due to Election Reform Act 77 allowing mail-in ballots. This will expectedly reduce the in-person voting at the polling stations. For more information about Voting by Mail-in or Absentee Ballot go to: https://www.votespa.com/Voting-in-PA/Pages/Mail-and-Absentee-Ballot.aspx

Covid-19 Note: All polling places will provide maximum protection against the coronavirus. For more information please read “2020 General Election FAQs”: https://chesco.org/4760/FAQ.

Consider volunteering for your Election Board. To apply talk with your precinct’s Judge of Election the next time you vote. Or, go to Chesco.org for details.
AIRPORT NEWS

N57- Not just an airport, a destination.

New Self Service Fuel Terminal

Current AVGAS price is $3.90 per gallon. Come check out our new fuel terminal!!!

COVID 19 Update

We continue routine cleaning and disinfecing with alcohol based products to help prevent the spread of any disease within the N57 Aviation Center. Hand sanitizer units have been installed in different locations around the Aviation Center for your use.

Learn To Fly

Visit New Garden Flight Connection for information on what it takes to become a pilot. Gift certificates available. www.newgardenflightconnection.com

New Hangar Development

Final stages of construction

Check out our new corporate style box hangars!!! Over the last several years we have been working on a concept to bring private ownership of hangars to N57. We believe we have established a unique partnership between the Airport and owners to create a unique model of hangar ownership at N57 which will be a benefit for all parties. Housing your aircraft is a major consideration when it comes to protecting your aircraft investment. Hangars are not a one size fits all for all owners. We offer many options for basing your aircraft on a monthly or annual basis, from outside tie downs to hangars of varying size. Now with these new hangars we can add “ownership opportunities” to our hangar offerings.
These 60x60 hangars are state of the art, steel hangars with electric Schweiss bifold doors. Door opening is 16 feet tall and 54 feet wide. Each hangar is well insulated, includes 2 high wall windows for natural light and are fitted with LED high bay lights. Floors will be finished in gloss epoxy. All units are plumbed for a bathroom and fitted for a garage door if desired. Each hangar has also been plumbed for gas for a heater of your choice. These hangars are gorgeous and we can’t wait for this project to be completed. Move in is expected towards the end of October 2020. If you are interested in more information please contact the airport, 610-268-2619.

NEW WEBSITE...
www.newgardenflyingfield.com

It was time for a new online update. Our new site went live last week. Don’t be left out of the aviation loop, make sure you stay up to date with everything AIRPORT. Visit us online at www.newgardenflyingfield.com. Also stay connected on FaceBook by following New Garden Flying Field.
Improvements planned for N57

Last month the airport met (via ZOOM) with representatives from the Bureau of Aviation to discuss our 4 year plan regarding development and possible grant funding. This annual meeting is typically held in person but with the current pandemic situation all meetings are online. This annual meeting allows the airport a chance to review with the Bureau of Aviation past and future airport development projects, and any ongoing State and Federal concerns facing airports.

*Here’s a look at our accepted 4 year plan regarding airport projects and continued development. Other projects are requested and we will continue to work with the BOA as State and Federal funding allow.*

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New Garden Flying Field *Maintenance & Restoration*

**NEWS FROM THE SHOP!!!!**

Plan ahead and schedule your aircraft’s annual or condition inspection today! 610-268-2619

Considering an avionics update? How about a pair of Garmin G5’s? Here is a look of one of our recent installs in a Piper PA-32RT-300.
New Garden Flying Field is now a recognized dealer for **Electronics International**. In addition to designing and manufacturing some of general aviation’s finest engine instruments, Electronics International is sincere about providing excellent customer service. If you have any questions or comments about any of their products, please don’t hesitate to contact us. We enjoy the opportunity to assist you in every way we can.

![Electronics International Inc.](image)

**Engine Heater?**

It won’t be long till we look outside and see the snow plow out on the runway. Are you prepared for the winter of 2020? If it’s anything like the rest of the year, it’s going to be a doozy… Be prepared and protect your aircraft’s engine with an installed preheater. *“In less than a minute, a single cold start without proper preheating can produce more wear on your piston aircraft engine than 500 hours of normal cruise operation.”*  

Mike Busch

Call to schedule your install before the temperature drops. **610-268-2619**

**FUTURE AVIATORS UPDATE**

With the COVID 19 concerns we were forced to play it safe and cancel all programs with the Future Aviators, leaving a big hole in our 2020 annual schedule. Our Future Aviators Summer Camps are one of our favorite times of year, where we share our love and passion for aviation with hundreds of youngsters across the country while visiting the airport for a week in July and August. Even though we elected to cancel the programs this year to keep all families and employees safe, based on CDC guidelines we have continued to plan for future years.

Through generous donations we have established two financial scholarship programs, the **Joe Denest and Colonel David Martin Future Aviators Memorial Scholarship**. Both
funds have been established to help financially assist families, sending their child to camp. Both Joe Denest and David Martin were strong believers in our Future Aviators summer program. Mr. Denest and Mr. Martin are dearly missed and we are honored to be able to offer these scholarships to continue on their legacy, helping families of our Future Aviators for years to come.

Eagle Scout Project

*Future Aviator working towards Eagle Scout.*

Congratulations to Nathan Allen for completing his Eagle Scout Project at N57. Check out the new FUTURE AVIATORS Gaga Pit. This is located right across from the Future Aviators Pavillon. This will be a big hit during camp time. Well done Nate! SIDE NOTE- Nathan has been involved with the FA CAMP for many years as a camper and has been part of the counselor team in recent years. *We are excited to watch his success as he accomplishes his Eagle Scout and beyond.*
Brandywine Soaring Association

Did you know we have a glider club based at N57?

Brandywine Soaring Association (BSA) is a non-profit organization operating out of New Garden Airport. The club promotes the sport of soaring, and provides free instructional programs--from first flight to solo--for full members. All instruction is performed by club members who are FAA Certified Glider Instructors. Many are skilled ex-military or professional pilots with thousands of flying hours.

For more information check out their website, [https://www.brandywinesoaring.org](https://www.brandywinesoaring.org) or on FaceBook @BrandywineSoaringAssociation

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Be part of the plan for the future of St. Anthony's in the Hills Property!

Take the survey here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JRF76TF

In 2018, New Garden Township acquired a 137-acre property on Limestone Road, the site of the former St. Anthony’s in the Hills parish day camp. New Garden Township obtained this unique property with the intent of preserving open space and developing a new municipal park. The miniature golf course, swimming pool, large amphitheater, numerous picnic pavilions, and other amenities that are located throughout the property are in disrepair and require significant investment to rehabilitate for public use. The New Garden Township website, https://www.newgarden.org/about-new-garden/pages/st-anthonys-hills has a drone flyover video of the St. Anthony’s site and additional site-related resources. The website will be updated throughout the park planning process.

The Township has hired a team of consultants to evaluate the St. Anthony’s in the Hills property, provide recommendations regarding the feasibility of rehabilitation of key features, and develop a master plan for the property as a public park. Your input is critical to this planning process and the Opinion Survey below will provide information about resident preferences for rehabilitation and activities you and your family would like to enjoy at St. Anthony’s in the Hills in the future. The survey will take approximately 12 minutes to complete. Please answer each question. We value your feedback and appreciate your participation in this important survey!

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