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Spring 2009
Newsletter

Welcome to Upper Milford Township
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Dear Residents:

Now that the nice weather has arrived, it's time to get outside and enjoy the Township's wonderful park system. Our staff works hard to keep the parks in excellent condition for your use. Inside this newsletter you'll find some suggestions about the many activities available in our parks.

Do you have an opinion about trash collection service in the Township? The Emmaus-Upper Milford Environmental Advisory Council would like to hear from you. See page 4 for an informative article explaining the situation.

The rich history of Upper Milford Township is a topic of great interest to many people. Congratulations to the Upper Milford Historical Society for accomplishing so much in recent months. Please consider joining the group...the more members they have, the more fun for everyone!

Finally, this is our second newsletter produced at no cost to taxpayers thanks to the generous support of advertisers. Reaction to our first issue in this new format was universally positive. Is there something else you would like to see in future issues? Let us know!

Have a fun, relaxing and, most of all, safe vacation season.

The Upper Milford Township Board of Supervisors

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VERA CRUZ SEWER PROJECT UPDATE

The proposed Vera Cruz Sewer Project design is moving forward pursuing a low-pressure type system. Spotts, Stevens, McCoy Engineers and consultants for this project have completed the general design plans and submitted the necessary permit applications to the various outside agencies for ultimate approval and permit issuances.

During the next few weeks, certain property owners will be contacted for the purpose of obtaining easements or rights-of-way on or across their properties for the future construction of the facilities.

The Township, through the services of an independent consultant, may perform an updated income survey. This income survey is critical in determining if, and to what degree, outside financial assistance will be available. The Township asks that residents who are involved cooperate fully if contacted for information regarding the income survey.

Based on the lengthy Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection permit review and issuance process, it appears that the earliest the project could break ground, if authorized, would be in spring of 2010. Copies of the design plans are available for review at the Township Building.

We anticipate that additional public meetings will be scheduled to update everyone on the progress of this project. Individual households will be notified of the future meetings.

Volunteers

HELP US HELP YOU

Volunteers are the lifeblood of small town government. Without the help of civic-minded individuals who donate their time and energy, Upper Milford Township would not be able to function efficiently.

The Board of Supervisors is currently seeking residents to serve on the Open Space Committee. If you are interested in applying, please contact Kim Shaak at 610-966-3223.

Our two fire companies -- Citizen's Fire Company, (also known as the Vera Cruz Fire Department) and the Upper Milford Western District (also known as the Old Zionsville Fire Company) are always looking for help. You don't have to be a firefighter -- the companies need assistance with fundraising, clerical duties, cleaning and event organization.

For more information, call
Citizen's Fire Company at
610-965-9444 or
Upper Milford Western District
at 610-966-0739.



PERMITS REQUIRED

Upper Milford Township is a zoned community. The following are required:

BONFIRE PERMIT: required at least 10 days in advance of the proposed bonfire.

OCCUPANCY PERMIT: required prior to occupying a newly constructed building.

BUILDING AND/OR ZONING PERMIT: required for new construction, additions or alterations to exterior of existing structures; deck, patio, pool, spa or hot tub; electrical work or wiring; plumbing and HVAC work; sheds and accessory structures.

PARK PERMIT: required in order to reserve a pavilion in a township park.

PEDDLER'S PERMIT: must be obtained before engaging in solicitation or peddling in Upper Milford Township.

DRIVEWAY PERMIT: required for the construction of a driveway or other means of ingress or egress onto a Township or a (HOP) Highway Occupancy Permit for a PennDOT road.

FENCE OR WALL PERMIT: required for the installation of any fence or wall over two feet high.

GRADING PERMIT: required if not in conjunction with another permit.

MOVING PERMIT: required when moving into, out of or within Upper Milford Township. There is no fee for this permit.

SEWAGE PERMIT: required for the inspection of a new septic system and for the repair or enlargement of an existing system.

TREE CUTTING AND LOGGING PERMIT: required if more than 10 trees/year or more than 30 percent of total number of trees on lot. Call the Township office for specific information.

USE OR CHANGE OF USE: required for any activity, occupation, business, or operation carried on or intended to be carried on in a structure or lot.



Other permits may be required for certain activities.
For specific information call **610-966-3223**.

PLANNING ON DIGGING?

Call **Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc. (POCS)** three business days before you dig at 800-242-1776 or 8-1-1. PA Act 287 as amended requires excavators as well as private landowners to call POCS three days prior to any type of digging with power equipment.

Mark your excavation area in white paint before calling with a dig notification.

By calling you allow the facility owners the opportunity to locate and mark their underground facility in advance of the planned excavation (gas and liquid pipelines will mark underground facilities using yellow stakes, flags or paint).

Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc.

TIME FOR A CHANGE?



The financial savings of hiring one trash/recyclable hauler to serve all of Upper Milford Township may not be huge. But have township residents ever considered the environmental advantages?

Upper Milford residents currently are served by six private haulers who charge them about \$300 to \$400 a year. All Emmaus residents are served by one company (Waste Management) under contract with the borough. They pay \$296 a year. Alburtis residents also have one (J.P. Mascaro) and pay more: \$336 a year. But Lower Macungie Township residents have one (Waste Management) and pay only \$288 a year. South Whitehall Township residents have one (Mascaro) and pay only \$263.

What you probably don't know is that some Upper Milford residents have no trash service. Some neighbors put all their trash out together and apparently share the cost of having it picked up by one hauler who may not limit how much can be set out.

But others are just burning the same wastes, including plastics, which most of us set out at the edge of the road for pick up every week. More than just annoying smoke, that burning produces airborne toxins in violation of state environmental law. Centralized collection of trash and recyclables also should reduce the potential for illegal dumping. Ordinance No. 97 regulates open burning. This is available on our website.

Several other environmental and quality of life factors should be considered.

- How many mornings a week do trash trucks create an obstacle course on your street when you're hurrying to get to work?
- When you sleep with your windows open, how many mornings do you unintentionally wake up before the roosters because of the noise those trucks make?
- How much less noise and truck traffic would there be if just one hauler came through your neighborhood once a week?

- For that matter, how much less wear and tear would there be on township roads? And how much less air pollution would be emitted by reducing the number of trucks on those roads? And how much less fuel would fewer trucks have to use?
- In addition to being more efficient, proponents of having a single hauler under contract with the Township argue the move would improve the quality of service.

There is another side to all this of course, one that should not be overlooked. Going with one company for the entire Township could seriously hurt business for other trash haulers now serving Upper Milford.

Proponents of keeping trash collection as it is in Upper Milford also fear that, while the initial cost may be lower if the Township establishes a contract with just one hauler, eventually those costs will rise. They want the freedom to hire the hauler of their choice, are happy with the price and service of the hauler they have now and are convinced competition will keep prices lower.

They may suggest trash truck traffic could be controlled by requiring all companies to collect trash on the same day. And they may insist the argument about trash trucks adding to wear and tear on Township roads is phony because those roads should be built and maintained in accordance with construction standards.

Would you support centralized waste collection? Send your thoughts to Emmaus-Upper Milford Environmental Advisory Council and we will share them in a future newsletter. Our address is P.O. Box 210, Old Zionsville, PA 18068. Or you can send an e-mail to us at eacinfo@uppermilford.net.

TURN YOUR TRASH INTO GARDEN SOIL WITH A COMPOSTER



By composting, you can keep material out of your trash and turn it into rich healthy soil for your garden. Compost loosens up the soil for better root growth and helps retain moisture for healthier plants. All you need is water, oxygen and food.

Almost any organic material can be food for the composter. Some of the things you can feed your composter are leaves, grass clippings, and wood chips from the yard; coffee grounds, vegetable peelings, eggshells, tea bags and paper towels from the kitchen; and shredded cardboard, shredded newspaper and wood ashes from the living room. Even pet hair and dryer lint can go in. About the only things that should not go into the pile are meat, fish, oil or fat, and pet or human waste.

You can make your own bin with four posts and some chicken wire, the easiest way to get started is purchasing or making your own.



Select a spot for your compost bin under a deciduous tree so it doesn't overheat in summer and gets enough sun to keep warm in winter. It should be in direct contact with the ground so that the natural bacteria in the soil can reach your compost.



*Roses are red, violets are blue.
Use compost on your flowers,
and they'll be happy, too.*

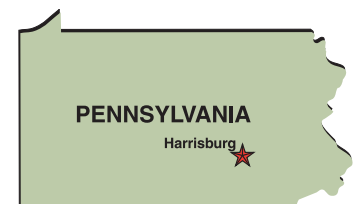
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Pennsylvania House and Senate Information

Upper Milford Township is represented in Harrisburg by three elected officials:

- **Robert Wonderling** represents the **24th District** in the **State Senate**. His Lehigh County office is at 1245 Chestnut Street, Unit #5, Emmaus, PA 18049. The phone number is 610-965-1466.
- **Karen D. Beyer** represents the **131st District** in the **House of Representatives**. The district includes Upper Milford Western District. Her satellite office is at 5831 King's Highway South (Township Building), Old Zionsville, PA 18068. Phone: 610-966-3223. A representative from Beyer's office will be at the office every other Tuesday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.
- **Douglas Reichley** represents the **134th District** in the **House of Representatives**. His district includes Upper Milford Eastern District. His office is at 1245 Chestnut Street, Suite 5, Emmaus, PA 18049. Phone: 610-965-9933.



Some of the services available at the district offices include obtaining certified copies of birth and death certificates, absentee ballots, voter registration and tax forms, and informational brochures.

from the Emmaus Public Library



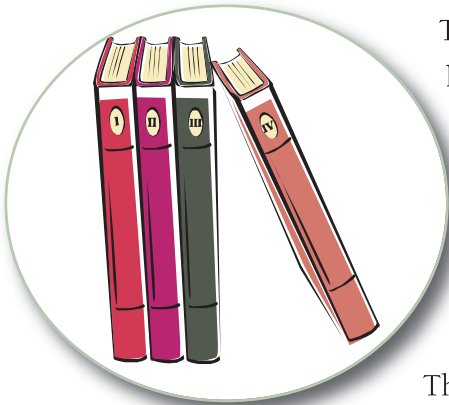
WIRELESS INTERNET service has come to the Emmaus Public Library! Bring your laptop, ask for the password, and surf the 'net and read your e-mail.

As part of the **2009 ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** of the Borough of Emmaus, the library is hosting a continuous **slide show** each month on a specific topic relevant to the history of Emmaus. The slide show will be coordinated with a display of artifacts from the archives of the Emmaus Historical Society. Come by each month to see this changing display.



The library will once again run its ever-popular series of **Internet-related workshops** in late spring: How to Search the Internet; How to Find a Book; the Basics of the POWERLibrary Collection of Databases; and Intro to Genealogy. Watch for dates and times to be announced. **Mice and Icons**, the individual introduction to a computer, is available by calling the library to schedule your appointment.

The **summer reading activities** at the library will be exciting as the theme is “**Be Creative @ Your Library**”. There will be activities for everyone. Watch especially for Thursday evening Family Nights throughout the summer.



The library has many services and items for all ages. The collection of **large print books** grows monthly, as does the number of titles in the audio book collections. Downloadable audio books are fast becoming an easy way to listen to your favorite titles on-the-go. The interface has been made easier and now some iPod-compatible titles are online through netLibrary.

At the library you can browse through any of the **more than 90 magazines** now housed in the magazine kiosk. The previous month's issues may be borrowed for one week.

The **public access computers** are available for all residents. Bring your library card or sign up for one so you can log onto a computer. Internet access, helpful websites, word processing, and the library catalog are all part of the computers. E-mail, job applications online, and your favorite websites are all here. If you need assistance, any of the librarians on staff will be glad to help you. Your library card, along with a PIN, will allow you to reserve books online, renew items online, and check your account. Just remember, **the librarians are ready to help** show you how to navigate the catalog. You can set up “current awareness profiles” in your library account so that you will receive an e-mail notification when a new item with your selected criteria is added to the library's collection.

Fundraising for the addition to the library continues. All contributions are most welcome. It is hoped that groundbreaking will take place in early 2010.

Call the library (610-965-9284) or stop by (Emmaus Public Library
11 East Main St., Emmaus, PA 18049). Our website is www.emmauspl.org.

HIVEL UND DAHL PRESERVATION SOCIETY



The Hivel und Dahl Preservation Society has been in existence in Upper Milford Township since 1992. Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Upper Milford Township Building.

The current goal of the organization is to successfully restore the Schubert/Graber Log Cabin in Powder Valley. This is generally considered to be the oldest existing structure in the Township that at one time was a home. Built by a Schwenkfelder cooper named Melchoir Schubert around 1760, this stone and log bank building has corner posts with mortise and tenon joinery.



Schubert-Graber Log Cabin
Powder Valley, PA - Circa 1760

It is hoped that upon restoration, the site will serve as a repository for Pennsylvania German artifacts and memorabilia, and can also be made available for cultural activities, school class tours, and architectural studies.

Under the leadership of Schubert descendants Bruce Mordaunt and Jack Engle, the Hivel und Dahl is regenerating and work on the cabin is again being ordered and continued, in many cases from the personal means of members. Now, plans have been made to attract more members, regain lost ones, and to raise funds.

In February, the necessary paperwork was completed in applying for a \$5,000 grant, which will hopefully be given out this summer. The Hivel und Dahl strives to continue its work of preservation, especially of this historic structure.

The organization held its annual meeting this year on March 31st at the Township building. Featured guests were Barbara Miller Heist and Beulah Batman Miller, authors of the 1976 book "The History of Powder Valley" and lifelong natives to this area.

The book begins with a page featuring the Schubert/Graber cabin and is a comprehensive collection of information and photographs of Powder Valley. Watch for future meetings with similar topics of local significance.

Anyone interested in joining the Hivel und Dahl or in donating to these efforts to save the cabin should please write to:

Hivel und Dahl Preservation Society

PO Box 416

Old Zionsville, PA 18068

For more information, call 610-395-9836.

HIVEL UND DAHL PRESERVATION SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP FORM

NAME _____

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY

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Please Check one:

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Please mail this form to the address above



Zionsville, Old Zionsville, Emmaus, Macungie – all of these are addresses within Upper Milford Township. Add to these the names of Vera Cruz, and Powder Valley and you begin to appreciate the far-flung, rural character that is the Township. This article touches on the early history of one of those rustic areas, Powder Valley.

In the 1844 Matthews and Hungerford “History of Lehigh County” on page 104 it is noted that Powder Valley is located on the Indian Creek on the public road leading from the Shimersville and Herford Turnpike to the Hosensack Valley. Originally, it was known as Piercetown, later as Powder Mill Valley, and then shortened to Powder Valley. At various times in history, it has been part of Bucks County or Northampton County. Powder Valley had six dwellings, one store, one pottery and one saw and grist mill at the time.



Powder Valley Mill

A powder mill was erected by Henry Kemmerer in 1829 and functioned for about a year before it was sold to Henry Trump and Henry Schell, who carried it on for about another year. But it exploded and was discontinued! In 1831, the same Henry Kemmerer built another powder mill, which functioned for a few years while suffering several explosions; three lives were lost. Evidence of the existence of these powder mills may be found in some charcoal pits scattered in the area, since charcoal was a component in

the manufacture of gunpowder, and in foundation remnants of these early mills. There really was lots of powder in Powder Valley’s past!



Powder Valley General Store & Post office

and built a stave mill. This mill, too, was sold in 1871 to Nathan Stahl, who erected a new sawmill with a steam engine in 1874. In December 1882 this mill was totally destroyed by fire. Mr. Stahl built a new grist and saw mill in 1883.

In 1883, Charles Stahl built a pottery that operated until about 1901. In 1932, his sons, Thomas and Isaac, began a pottery that has evolved into the Stahl’s Pottery of our times with the festival and other events that have put Powder Valley on the map! Thomas died in 1942 and Isaac continued the pottery until about 1946. He died four years later, but Stahl Pottery lives on, and their pieces are widely collected and treasured. Explore this special part of Powder Valley history on the Internet, where you will also find a history and much more about Stahl’s Pottery and its Preservation Society. Also, Anne and Barbara Goda have authored a beautiful, comprehensive book on the subject, “Stahl’s Pottery: a Window to the Past.”

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This is only a smidgeon of Powder Valley history. We haven't mentioned: the ice houses; the oldest home still standing (known as the Schubert/Graber Cabin); the center of the village life at the general store; the popular summer vacation resort called Indian Creek Cottage; the distilleries; Schubert's School; colorful resident Chief Knippapoo; when the dam broke in 1935; the Powder Valley baseball team formed in 1921 and playing on fields that are now our backyards; the Powder Valley Band; Salem United Methodist Church with its horse shed still intact; Grace Evangelical Congregational Church in the southern end of the valley. Each has a history of its own to be told.

Roselyn Parry
Upper Milford Historical Society

A major source of information for this article in the 1976 book "The History of Powder Valley," was written by two lifelong residents, Barbara Miller Heist and Beulah Batman Miller. This account is a definitive source about Powder Valley along with many, many photographs shared by residents. Reading it is like sitting down with a friend and enjoying a conversation and great pictures of the "good olde days in "Pulver Dahl." Copies of the book are still available from Beulah.

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Information About **RADON**

Radon is a cancer-causing, radioactive gas that you can't see, smell or taste. But it may be causing a problem in your home.

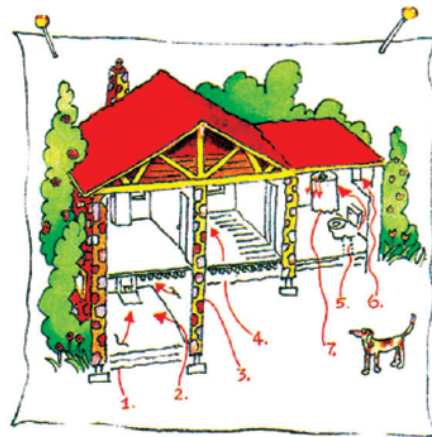
Radon is estimated to cause many thousands of deaths each year. That's because when you breathe air containing radon, you can get lung cancer. In fact, the Surgeon General has warned that radon is the second-leading cause of lung cancer in the United States today. Only smoking causes more lung cancer deaths. **If you smoke and your home has high radon levels, your risk of lung cancer is especially high.**

HOW DOES RADON GET INTO YOUR HOME?

Radon is a radioactive gas that comes from the natural decay of uranium found in nearly all soils. It typically moves up through the ground to the air above and into your home through cracks and other holes in the foundation.

Radon gets into your home through:

- Cracks in floors.
- Construction joints.
- Cracks in walls.
- Gaps in suspended floors.
- Gaps around service pipes.
- Cavities inside walls.
- The water supply.



*graphic taken from "A Citizen's Guide to Radon" on www.epa.gov

RADON IN WATER

The radon in your home's indoor air can come from two sources: the soil or your water supply. Compared to radon entering the home through water, radon entering your home through the soil is usually a much larger risk.

The radon in your water supply poses an inhalation risk and an ingestion risk. Research has shown that your risk of lung cancer from breathing radon in air is much larger than your risk of stomach cancer from swallowing water with radon in it. (Most of your risk from radon in water comes from radon released into the air when water is used for showering and other household purposes.)

For more information, call EPA's Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791 or go to www.epa.gov keyword "radon".



Upper Milford Historical Society Formalizes Its Activities

After years of operating as an informal organization, members of the *Upper Milford Historical Committee* recently wrote bylaws, elected officers, applied for incorporation as a nonprofit organization, received an Employee Identification Number (EIN), and opened a bank account. This will allow the group to apply for grants that might help bring funds needed to prepare a room at the Kings Highway Building when it opens for Township use. The organization is now officially known as the **Upper Milford Historical Society**. The UMHS is always hoping to collect pictures, memorabilia, and information about Upper Milford's past. Any original documents are returned after copies have been made, or you may choose to have copies made for the society.

We are very grateful that the UMHS was remembered when the Zionsville Post Office was closed because the chalkboard from the building was taken down and donated to our small collection. We all eagerly await the day the society can move into a space at Kings Highway where the records, photos and memorabilia already collected can be put on proper display for all Township residents to see and enjoy.

The society meets on the last Thursday of each month (except December) at 7 p.m. in the Township meeting room. Please come and "check us out" for an evening as we reminisce and gather history about our Township. The more residents who join in our discussions, the more information we can compile, and the more complete our record of Upper Milford Township will be.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Bring to a meeting or mail to:

Upper Milford Historical Society, PO Box 210, Old Zionsville, PA 18068

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Occupation _____

Area of Interest _____

SUPERVISORS APPROVE OPEN SPACE PLAN

As a community, we all decide how our future will be. Here is what we would be preserving:

- Essential watersheds
- High quality streams
- Healthy wetlands
- Delicate steep slopes
- Beautiful woodlands
- Fine parks and recreation areas
- Historic and cultural sites
- Prime agricultural land
- Lovely views
- A rural setting that avoids the increased costs of municipal services resulting from suburban sprawl and road congestion

The residents of Upper Milford Township are always welcome at the Open Space Committee meetings held the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The new open space plan will be available to the public shortly. It is expected to be on the Township's website. If there are any property owners who are considering preserving their property for the year 2009, please contact the Open Space Committee by June 30, 2009.

Presently, there are two vacant positions on the Open Space Committee. *If you are interested in volunteering please contact Kim Shaak at the Township Office (610-966-3223).*

UM PARKS ARE GOOD FOR YOU!

Take care of yourself.
EXERCISE.

Use it or lose it.
EXERCISE.

Get outside and move.
EXERCISE.



We constantly hear and read about this everywhere these days to promote a healthy lifestyle, and rightfully so. Here's a suggestion that may help all of us heed that good, sound advice, and it involves Upper Milford Township: *Get out to one of the Township's three great parks, where there is plenty of space for exercising, being outside, walking and "using it so we don't lose it."*

At **Lenape Park in Old Zionsville**, for example, you can play a game or two of tennis, or just hit balls off the practice boards. You can shoot a few hoops on the basketball court, or take some friends and play a game. If the courts are busy, grab a bat and some balls and take a few swings. Someone has to chase those hits, right? Now that's exercise!

If basketball or baseball aren't your things, how about going to the volleyball courts with a friend or two and getting your body to stretch and lunge after some slams and dunks. Maybe you can play kickball on one of the open, grassy areas, or walk your dog around the park – just don't forget to pick up after Rover! (Don't forget to put a leash on Rover too!). Or you might just take a stroll by yourself, taking time to notice the vegetation and the care that's given to keep everything in great shape.



What a variety of healthy, pleasurable activities you can choose at Lenape Park. When you stop at **Churchview Park on Kohler Road**, you come upon one huge, paved, oval track (also a small one) that's begging you to lace up your sneakers and walk or run, pedal your bike around the track, or even roll along on a pair of skates. No muddy shoes, nobody in your way, no excuses! What a wide open, clean, peaceful place to drink in nature while improving your health – not just physically, but mentally, too!



Traveling to **Jasper Park in Vera Cruz**, there is a trail just for walking, jogging, or running through the woods. Notice the jasper pits, the trees, and the flower garden along the way. It helps pass the time on the trail. We are happy so many people have discovered the use of this fitness trail. There's also a place with exercise bars and a platform where you can stretch and push and pull those muscles as you wish. If teams from the Upper Milford Youth Association aren't using the baseball

or soccer fields at the time doing the kid version of exercising (also known as playing), you can run and kick or hit balls for hours. Playing on the playground equipment would get your body moving, too. Jasper Park is also a favorite place for walking Rover at the same time his owner is exercising. Again, remember the clean-up and leash detail!

Of course, when you're visiting any of our Township parks it is important to follow the rules. Here are a few:

- **Park only** in designated areas.
- **No littering.** Everybody knows that! The parks have lots of trash receptacles for your convenience.
- **Leave nature in the park**, where you found it, especially our unique jasper.
- **Clean up after Rover and leash him.** We love those companion dogs, but not their droppings.
- **Following the "Golden Rule"** in all park behavior, as in all of life's doings.

Upper Milford Township parks are here for everyone's enjoyment and can contribute to a longer, healthier life for all of us. So, get out there and visit one of our gems today. Enjoy the spring landscape. And add some form of exercise to your time there. Lots of suggestions have been given. *The parks are good for you!*

TOWNSHIP DIRECTORY

UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP BUILDING

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Old Zionsville, PA 18068

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Office Hours: Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.

The office is closed on Saturday and Sunday.

EMERGENCY: 911

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Planning Commission: the Monday before the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

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