



SUMMER 2019

THE Milemarker

EAST BRANDYWINE TOWNSHIP QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



BOATERS, FLOATERS, AND ANGLERS OF THE BRANDYWINE VALLEY...

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The Brandywine Conservancy is partnering with the Chester County Planning Commission to study the feasibility of a formal Water Trail along the Brandywine—already a popular destination for recreational boaters. The Brandywine Water Trail, when complete, will be a 22-mile bi-state recreational water route that connects communities through Pennsylvania and Delaware, improving access to the Brandywine for increased water recreational use.

The study will examine the opportunities, constraints, and challenges presented by a water trail and will provide recommendations regarding access, safety, trail amenities, educational opportunities, environmental considerations, long-term stewardship of the Brandywine, and potential partnerships to promote and manage the Water Trail.

Give your input to a study for the Brandywine Creek Water Trail Study. Take the survey at: WWW.SURVEYMONKEY.COM/R/BRANDYWINEWATERTRAIL

East Brandywine's Road Crew *Winners of Build a Better Mousetrap Contest*

EAST BRANDYWINE TOWNSHIP'S Road Crew received the top prize in PennDOT's Build a Better Mousetrap Contest during the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors' Excellence Awards ceremony held April 15th. The event, which recognizes the significant achievements of townships and their officials from across the state, was held as part of PSATS' 97th Annual Educational Conference and Exhibit Show in Hershey.



Participating in the presentation are, from left, East Brandywine Township Road Crew members Derrick Claas and Christopher Ott, Director of PennDOT's Local Transportation Assistance Program Lou Ferretti, East Brandywine Township Roadmaster Matthew VanLew, Road Crew member Kyle Mortzfield, and PSATS Second Vice President A.J. Boni.

The Build a Better Mousetrap Contest honors projects built and designed by road crews or municipal employees to improve safety, reduce costs, or increase efficiency. East Brandywine's Road Department came up with a better way to store the salt spreaders for their trucks. "The spreaders were always on the floor taking up space, and if we needed to move them, we had to hook them up to the backhoe with a chain," Township Roadmaster Matthew VanLew said. "We also used the backhoe to mount the spreaders on the trucks, which took two people to accomplish."

The Road Department devised a portable storage rack for the spreaders made of scrap lumber and \$50 purchased wheels. The rack holds four spreaders, and can be moved around the garage or outside to a lift for mounting the spreaders on the trucks. "This saves time for the Department, using one person and no extra equipment to install and remove salt spreaders from the trucks," VanLew said.

Congratulations to our Road Crew Members.

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Directory

TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CHAIRMAN Kyle P. Scribner
 VICE CHAIRMAN Jay G. Fischer, Esq.
 MEMBER Jason R. Winters

TOWNSHIP PUBLIC MEETINGS

[Held at Township Building]

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 1st Thu at 8:00am
 and 3rd Thu at 7:30pm
 BONDSVILLE MILL COMM 4th Thu at 8:00am
 HISTORICAL COMMISSION . 2nd Wed at 7:00pm
 MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY 2nd Tue at 7:30am
 and last Fri at 8:00am
 OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE 1st Thu at 7:30pm
 ORDINANCE TASK FORCE 3rd Wed at 7:30pm
 PARK AND REC BOARD 1st Mon at 7:00pm
 PLANNING COMMISSION 1st Wed at 7:30pm
 TRAILS COMMITTEE 2nd Tue at 7:00pm
 ZONING HEARING BOARD 1st Tue at 7:30pm
 (as needed)

FIRE/AMBULANCE/POLICE

FIRE, AMBULANCE, POLICE (EMERGENCY) .. 911
 POLICE (NON-EMERG) (610) 383-7000
 POLICE ADMIN (610) 269-4300
 POLICE WEBSITE WWW.EBTPD.ORG

RECREATION

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 DARCI WWW.DARCINFO.COM
 PARK&REC .. PARKANDREC@EBRANDYWINE.ORG

TOWNSHIP STAFF DIRECTORY

DIAL (610) 269-8230 M-F, 9am-noon; 1-5pm
 x200 Norann King, Building Department
 x201 Mary Slade, Secretary/Treasurer
 x203 Scott Piersol, Township Manager/
 Emergency Management Coordinator
 x204 Matthew VanLew, Roadmaster
 x205 Luke Reven, Assistant Township Manager
 x210 Dennis Mulhern, Tax Collector
 x218 Lisa Taraschi, Administrative Assistant
 x100 Police Administration

TAX INFORMATION

COUNTY TAXES (610) 344-6361
 TAX CLAIM OFFICE (610) 344-6360
 ASSESSMENT OFFICE (610) 344-6105
 EIT AND LST (610) 269-4402
 SCHOOL TAXES 1 (866) 300-1714

Parks and Rec Summer Schedule

Free Concerts and Movies!

JOIN US FOR FAMILY FUN AT OUR COMMUNITY
 PARK THIS SUMMER. BRING YOUR CHAIRS, BLANKETS,
 SNACKS, AND SIT BACK AND RELAX!

Summer Concert Series

CONCERTS HELD AT COMMUNITY PARK AT 6 PM

DNR

SATURDAY, JUNE 1

Start the Summer off with classic rock and roll with music from the bands and albums you love. DNR likes to dive into some of the less widely played tracks too!



from the school attend some of the top music colleges in the world—including the Berklee School of Music, New York University, and Belmont University.

Flatland Drive

SATURDAY, JULY 13

Blending traditional, hard-driving bluegrass with modern styling. The band has shared the stage with bluegrass giants such as The Seldom Scene, The Lonesome River Band, Dailey and Vincent, The Boxcars, and many other stellar bands in the world of bluegrass.



The School of Rock in Downingtown

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

Showcasing some of the finest young musicians in the nation. The school's house band is comprised of its most talented and committed students. Each year, graduates



Family Movie Nights

MOVIES BEGIN AT DUSK AT COMMUNITY PARK

Hotel Transylvania 3

FRIDAY, JUNE 7



The Grinch

SATURDAY, JULY 20



Wonder Park

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9



How Can You Help?

Parks and Recreation Needs Volunteers



Aerial View of Community Day 2018

OUR GOLF OUTING, Fore the Parks, Community Day, Run for the Parks and the Fall Harvest Festival, pulling weeds, monitoring and caring for Bluebird Houses. What do all these events or activities have in common? Volunteers!! Not sure what you can do? This is what some residents are doing:

- Monitoring the 30 some bluebird houses throughout the Community Park
- Adopting a garden and keeping it free of weeds all year long
- Helping at Community Day (August 17th this year!)

You can volunteer to help run an event or participate in an event or become a sponsor of an event.

Parks and Recreation again has a full schedule of fun, family friendly events beginning on June 1 with our first summer concert and running until Dec. 1st with the Tree Lighting Ceremony. But these events are only possible with help from our community. These events can be even bigger and better with your help. Share your time, your energy and your ideas.

Do you like the early morning quiet at the park? Adopt a garden and volunteer to weed. Or if you prefer the hustle and bustle of children and families, help us with Community Day or the Fall Festival. Like to run, walk or play golf? Fore the Parks or Run for the Parks is the way you can get involved.

Please email Parkandrec@EBrandywine.org or call (610) 269-8230 for a way to become a volunteer!!



GOLF OUTING AND DINNER TO SUPPORT DOWNINGTOWN LIBRARY

The mission of the Downingtown Library is to ensure that every resident of the greater Downingtown Area has access to exceptional opportunities to read, learn, create, connect and contribute to a better quality of life. **The Library's annual Links for the Library Golf Outing and Dinner will be held on Monday, July 29, 2019 at Whitford Country Club.**

Support our local library by:

- Becoming a Sponsor
- Playing golf
- Attending the reception/dinner
- Buying raffle tickets

For more info and to register go to:

[WWW.DOWNINGTOWNLIBRARY.ORG](http://www.DowningtownLibrary.org)

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East Brandywine Police Department Expands

Four New Officers Added to the Ranks

SINCE MAY 2018, East Brandywine's Police Department has welcomed four new officers to its ranks. As our Township grows in population—over 8200 residents—so does our need for protection and safeguarding.

Our Police Department is now 16 of-ficers strong. Our new officers are:

RYAN CANZANESE

- Graduated from Garnet Valley High School in 2009.
- Attended the Delaware County Community College Municipal Police Academy and graduated in December, 2013.
- Worked as a Police Officer in Norwood Borough, Millbourne Borough, Darby Township and Folcroft Borough Police Departments.
- Was hired by East Brandywine Township as a part-time Officer in June of 2018.
- Appointed to full-time status in March, 2019.

DANNY MILLER

- Graduated from Spring Ford High School in 2005.
- Between 2008 and 2010 Danny obtained his certifications as a Firefighter and EMT.
- Graduated from the Montgomery County Municipal Police Academy in June of 2018.
- Worked as a part-time Police Officer for the Borough of Royersford.
- Was hired as a part-time Police Officer for East Brandywine Township in January of 2019.



Left to Right—New officers Officer Ryan Canzanese, Officer Danny Miller, Officer Michael Triola and Officer Tanner Smith.

MIKE TRIOLA

- Graduated from Plumstead Christian High School in 2007.
- Attended the Montgomery County Municipal Police Academy and graduated in February 2010.
- Worked as a Police Officer for West Chester University, West Caln Township and East Whiteland Police Departments.
- Was hired by East Brandywine Township as a part-time Officer in November of 2018.
- Appointed to full-time status in February, 2019.

TANNER SMITH

- Graduated from Conestoga High School in 2013.
- Graduated from West Chester University in May 2017 with a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice.
- Graduated from the Delaware County

Community College Municipal Police Academy in December 2017.

- Was hired by East Brandywine Township as a part-time officer in January of 2018.
- Appointed to full-time status in May, 2018.

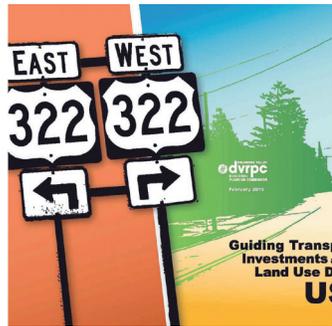
Please join us in welcoming our new Township officers! Be sure to say hello when you see them patrolling your neighborhood.

You can always meet with our police officers the first Wednesday of each month from 8 to 10 am at their monthly Joe With Five-O event hosted at business locations within the Township. Residents can check the Police Department Facebook page for exact locations. Follow them on Facebook @EBTPD for updates on this and other Police Department events.

Route 322 Task Force is Formed

Planning & Funding for Route 322 Corridor Improvements

EARLIER THIS YEAR the Western Chester County Council of Governments created a Route 322 Task Force. The purpose of the Task Force is to seek assistance from the County Commissioners, PENNDOT and the State Legislature’s Transportation Committee, to evaluate the recommendations made by the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) for the Route 322 Corridor from the Chester County/Lancaster County line east to the intersection with the Route 30 Bypass in Caln Township. The Route 322 Task Force has begun the process of implementing the initial planning and funding for this project. This Task Force is comprised of representatives from Honey Brook Borough, Honey Brook Township, West Brandywine Township, East Brandywine Township, and Caln Township. **Route 322 Task Force meetings are scheduled for May 28th and June 25th at 7:00 PM, held at the East Brandywine Township Municipal Building, 1214 Horseshoe Pike in Guthriesville.**



ON THE MOVE

RECENTLY SOLD HOMES IN EAST BRANDYWINE TOWNSHIP

602 Pinebrook Circle	\$262,000
44 Delaney Drive	\$835,000
21 Lammey Way.....	\$555,000
6 Gloucester Drive.....	\$240,000
57 Powell Court	\$474,501
103 Great Oak Drive	\$539,900
123 Lambeth Court	\$100,000
60 Mulligan Court.....	\$359,813
351 Rock Raymond Road.....	\$180,000
87 Tucker Drive	\$474,900
210 Newlin Drive	\$510,000
27 Par Lane	\$360,276
414 Creek Road	\$285,000
324 Dawson Place	\$330,000
81 Tucker Drive	\$430,000
54 Powell Court	\$472,990
1090 Creek Road	\$279,000
92 Winterberry Drive	\$299,900
112 Bolero Drive	\$662,000
290 Guthriesville Road	\$317,500
604 Prizer Court	\$350,000
100 School Lane	\$200,000
86 Canterbury Court	\$235,000
115 Great Oak Drive.....	\$437,000
21 S Terralee Lane	\$720,000
329 Dawson Place	\$347,000
701 Pinebrook Circle	\$254,000
22 Par Lane	\$373,000

Source: Zillow.com

Topped Out at Bondsville Mill

Volunteers Reach Milestone in Restoration

ON A COOL April morning, Bondsville Mill volunteers celebrated ‘topping out’ as the highest beam was placed in the reconstruction of the Mill Building. Topping out is a tradition which builders observe, referring to the celebration of the installation of the highest piece of structure on a building. It signifies the structure has reached its maximum height. Volunteers placed an American Flag and a traditional Scandinavian wreath atop the highest beam on the building. Reconstruction of the Mill Building, originally built around 1840, is the part of the development project for the Bondsville Mill Historic Park and Nature Trails.



When complete, the park will have three main components: the historic Mill; the natural areas with two miles of trails, gardens, and picnic areas; and a horticultural area. The first two components are currently available to the public. The third component is planned to be installed next year with the focus of the horticultural area being low-

maintenance native species plants and sustainability. Grant applications have already been submitted for the creation of the horticultural area. The Bondsville Mill Park Committee oversees all development of the park. We welcome volunteers to help with numerous projects around the park. **Bondsville Mill Park and Nature Trails is open daily from dawn to dusk and is located at 1647 Bondsville Road.**



GIANT SHOPPING CENTER UPDATE

4TH LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN SUBMITTED IN FEBRUARY

The Board of Supervisors concluded four days of hearings on the Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for the East Brandywine Center project on Thursday, February 21st.

It was agreed that the attorneys for the applicant (Carlino Development) and the intervenors (existing shopping center owners) would have 30 days to file their briefs and closing arguments with the Township once the final hearing transcript was circulated to all parties.

The Township would then have 45 days in which to render a decision on this project, which is anticipated to occur in early June.

This 4th version of the land development plan (LDP) does not include the bank site that was included in previous plans.

As with any land development plan, the Board of Supervisors must grant final plan approval of the LDP, usually with conditions that all permits for outside agencies such as PennDOT, PA DEP, the Chester County Conservation District, and others, for the plan to proceed to construction. These permit approvals are obtained prior to the recordation of the approved LDP.

Please visit the Township website www.ebrandywine.org for meeting dates and more information.

Scouting—Local Troops Complete Projects to Enhance our Parks

The Parks and Recreation Board is always grateful to our Scouts for providing such wonderful service to our Community. We appreciate their contributions to enhance our Parks.

**JOEY KOKINDA, EAGLE SCOUT CANDIDATE
UPDATED FITNESS STATIONS AT COMMUNITY PARK**

Joey Kokinda recently completed his Eagle Scout project at the East Brandywine Community Park. Joey is a member of Troop #2 at St. Joseph’s in Downingtown and his project was to provide Fitness Station Signs and enhancements to our current four fitness stations. Each sign will guide participants through different exercises that can be performed at the station. Joey refinished each station by sanding and staining the wood. He also added special safety mulch for cushioning for each fitness station. The total cost of the project was approximately \$1,600.00 and all funding was raised by Joey. Joey, who will be entering his freshman year at the STEM Academy in Downingtown, has earned 36 merit badges to date throughout his numerous years in scouting.



Pictured are Joey and his Dad, Joe Kokinda at one of the exercise stations.

**GIRL SCOUT TROOP 41361
INSTALLED BIRD AND BAT HOUSES AT BONDSVILLE MILL PARK**

In early April, **Girl Scout Troop 41361** visited Bondsville Mill Park to install their bird and bat houses. Over two weekends they installed nine bird houses and two bat houses. Each bird house is lettered so when they’re monitored in the future, information can be assigned to a specific house. The girls made and decorated the houses themselves. They ran a Badge workshop day to earn the money for supplies. This project was the final requirement for them to earn their “Bronze Award.” This is the highest award that they can achieve as a Junior Girl Scout. It leads the way for the girls to earn their Silver and Gold awards at the next levels in their Girl Scout journey.



Girl Scouts with their birdhouses.

Volunteer Spotlight—Dave Summers

The Great Contributor

IF YOU'VE BEEN to East Brandywine Community Park you've likely walked past the rock. The big one—right near the playground. But perhaps you never even noticed Dave Summers' name engraved on the plaque.

And that's the way Dave prefers it to be.

Spoken of as the father of the Community Park by his peers, the public recognition of his name on the plaque is one Summers humbly, and reluctantly, accepted at a dedication ceremony in the Park in 2000.

"A lot of people contributed countless hours to making the park a reality," says Dave. "It wasn't just me."

"Dave was the driving force, along with the support of the township supervisors, to secure the land from Ellis and Lucille Brown" shares Scott Piersol, Township Manager.

Sandy Lammey recalls, "He was the visionary for the creation and need for a Community Park in the late 1980's. Dave was there from the beginning, planting trees and grass seed. He designed and built gardens and memorials. Dave continues to work towards in our parks in a very hands-on way. He is integral in all our fund-raising efforts and our community events."

Dave is the consummate volunteer.

He was one of the original members of the Park and Recreation Board started in 1988 and still serves as Vice-President.

He served two terms—12 years—on the Board of Supervisors. During his time as a Supervisor, projects he oversaw included the planning for the Tunbridge, Culbertson Run, and Timbers developments, and the original Brandywine Village Shopping Center.

Dave has served as the Treasurer of the Municipal Authority since its inception in 1999 and is currently serving with the Trails Committee which was formed in 2017.

Hud Voltz, former Township Supervisor, calls Dave 'the great contributor'. "Not only was he instrumental in development of all three phases of the Park, he also brought East Brandywine into the 21st century during his terms. He brought computers to the Township, put our financials into electronic records, and started planning for the new Township building.

When you talk with Dave, you will learn none of this. Any question he is asked is redirected to give someone else credit."

"I have had the opportunity to serve with a number of great, dedicated people," says Dave. "Volunteering time and expertise is important to the community, financially and socially. Anything anyone contributes makes a difference, and makes East Brandywine a better place to live."

He gives credit to all those who picked up shovels and planted trees in the



Dave Summers accepting award for Volunteer of the Year in 2017. Pictured from left, Jay G. Fischer, Dave Summers, Scott Piersol.

Community Park, built ball fields for EBYA, volunteered for the Fire Department, and those who saw the possibilities for the Bondsville Mill Park.

"East Brandywine is a great place to live. It is a great community to be part of. It really does take a village to make it all work—and we've got a very special one here in East Brandywine," says Dave.

When asked about his foresight in preparing the Township for growth and expansion, he responds with his favorite Warren Buffet quote. "Someone is sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago."

For East Brandywine, Dave Summers is that 'someone'. He lives by his belief that, "We must leave this Township better than the way we found it."

Thank you, Dave, for all you have done, and continue to do, for East Brandywine Township. We'll all think of you when we sit in the shade at the Park!



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SAVE THE DATE

Parks & Rec Family Movie Nights (see p. 2)

JUN 7, JUL 20, AUG 9

DUSK, COMMUNITY PARK

Run for the Parks

AUG 17, 8:30AM, COMMUNITY PARK

Community Day and Car Show

AUG 17, 11AM TO 3PM, COMMUNITY PARK

SUMMER 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ANY EVENT, SEE WWW.EBRANDYWINE.ORG

JUN 2019

1	Summer Concert—DNR	Community Park	6:00pm
3	Parks & Rec Board Meeting	Township Bldg	7:00pm
4	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30pm
5	Planning Commission Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30pm
6	Board of Supervisors Work Session	Township Bldg	8:00am
6	Red Cross Blood Drive	Township Bldg	2-7pm
6	Open Space Committee Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30pm
7	Family Movie Night—Hotel Transylvan 3	Township Bldg	Dusk
11	Municipal Authority Regular Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30am
11	Trails Committee Meeting	Township Bldg	7:00pm
12	Historical Commission Meeting	Township Bldg	7:00pm
15	Summer Concert—School of Rock	Community Park	6:00pm
19	Ordinance Task Force Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30pm
20	Board of Supervisors Regular Session	Township Bldg	7:30pm
24	Fore the Parks Golf Outing	Coatesville CC	12-6pm
27	Bondsville Mill Committee	Township Bldg	8:00am
28	Municipal Authority Work Session	Township Bldg	8:00am

JUL 2019

1	Parks & Rec Board Meeting	Township Bldg	7:00pm
2	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30pm
4	Independence Day—Administrative Offices Closed		
9	Municipal Authority Regular Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30am
9	Trails Committee Meeting	Township Bldg	7:00pm
10	Planning Commission Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30pm
10	Historical Commission Meeting	Township Bldg	7:00pm
11	Board of Supervisors Work Session	Township Bldg	8:00am
13	Summer Concert—Flatland Drive	Community Park	6:00pm
17	Ordinance Task Force Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30pm
18	Board of Supervisors Regular Session	Township Bldg	7:30pm
20	Family Movie Night—The Grinch	Community Park	Dusk
25	Bondsville Mill Committee	Township Bldg	8:00am
26	Municipal Authority Work Session	Township Bldg	8:00am

AUG 2019

1	Board of Supervisors Work Session	Township Bldg	8:00am
1	Open Space Committee Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30pm
5	Parks & Rec Board Meeting	Township Bldg	7:00pm
6	Zoning Hearing Board Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30pm
7	Planning Commission Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30pm
9	Family Movie Night—Wonder Park	Community Park	Dusk
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17	Community Day and Car Show	Community Park	11:00am-3:00pm
21	Ordinance Task Force Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30pm
23	Bondsville Mill Committee	Township Bldg	8:00am
31	Municipal Authority Work Session	Township Bldg	8:00am

SEP 2019

2	Labor Day (observed)—Administrative Offices Closed		
4	Planning Commission Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30pm
5	Board of Supervisors Work Session	Township Bldg	8:00am
5	Open Space Committee Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30pm
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