THE Milemarker

HISTORICAL COMMISSION SPEAKER SERIES

PROGRAMS HELD AT EAST BRANDYWINE TOWNSHIP BUILDING AT 3:30 PM

APR 19

SUNDAY, APRIL 19
Downingtown & Lancaster Railroad

Historically, the East Brandywine and Waynesburg Railroad Company first connected the Pennsylvania Railroad (PRR) Main Line at Downingtown to Waynesburg (now Honey Brook), PA in November 1861. By December 1876, trackage extended west from Honey Brook to New Holland, PA. The railroad bordered East Brandywine until 1955. Come hear all about the D&L—nicknamed Dark & Lonely!

Mark W. Hoffman, a railroad enthusiast, photographer and

Please Do Not Disturb!
Birdhouses in our Community Park

DURING NESTING SEASON, April through August, volunteer and bird watcher Marilyn Baiardi walks through Community Park monitoring the birdhouses that are in place for nesting of bluebirds, swallows, and wrens.

Nest box monitoring is done at specific times to ensure their conservation

Left: Bluebird nestlings. Right: Bluebird hatchlings in houses in Community Park.

and collect data to help increase their populations. "I only open boxes once a week, and keep detailed records of each box, so I have an idea of what is going on before checking inside," shares Marilyn. "That way there is less chance of disturbing the natural course of events. Over monitoring will disrupt them, increase the possibility of abandonment and draw attention to predators."

The time of day she checks is important so as not to disturb when the eggs typically hatch, when hatchlings are fed, or when the fledglings are ready to fledge. For 2019 Marilyn reported:

	Nests	Eggs	Fledged
Eastern Bluebird	26	90	30
Tree Swallow	21	95	29
House Wren	2	5	5

Our Community Park is a wonderful place to observe birds create nests, bring back food for their young, and fly around. Unfortunately, another activity observed last year was tampering with the boxes—including jamming of

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TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Chairman. . . . . Kenneth Adler

Vice Chairman . . . . Jason Winters

Member . . . . Kyle P. Scribner

TOWNSHIP PUBLIC MEETINGS
(Held at Township Building)

Board of Supervisors . . . . . . 3rd THU, 6:30 pm

Bondsville Mill Comm . . . . . 4th THU, 8:00 am

Historical Commission . . 2nd WED, 7:00 pm

Municipal Authority . . . . 2nd TUE, 8:00 am
and LAST FRI, 8:00 am

Open Space Committee . . . . 1st THU, 7:30 pm

Ordinance Task Force . . . . 3rd WED, 7:30 pm

Park and Rec Board . . . . 1st MON, 7:00 pm

Planning Commission. . . . . 1st WED, 7:30 pm

Trails Committee. . . . . 2nd TUE, 7:00 pm

Zoning Hearing Board . . . . . 1st TUE, 7:30 pm
(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

EBYA . . . . www.ebya.org

DARC. . . . . www.darcinfo.com

Park & Rec. . . parkandrec@ebrandywine.org

TOWNSHIP STAFF DIRECTORY
(610) 269-8230 | M–F | 9 am-noon & 1-5 pm

x200 Norann King, Building Department

x218 Lisa Taraschi, Administrative Assistant

x203 Scott Piersol, Township Manager/
Emergency Management Coordinator

x204 Matthew VanLew, Roadmaster

x205 Luke Reven, Assistant Township Mgr.

x210 Dennis Mulhern, Tax Collector

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

Meet Your New Township Supervisor
Welcome Ken Ader

FOR MOST OF the eight years Ken Ader has lived in East Brandywine Township, his area of service to our community has been as a volunteer firefighter and EMT. "I was a firefighter since I was 16 in Delaware County," says Ken. "When we moved to Chester County, there was no doubt I would continue to serve in the same capacity in my new community."

Township Supervisor Ken Ader.

Ken's experience in revenue management for several firms, including his current position as VP—Revenue Cycle & Contract Management for a healthcare firm in King of Prussia, led him to serve on the Township Budget Committee for the last three years. His combined experiences over the last eight years—fiscal exposure and boots on the ground work with the fire department have allowed him to:

1. Know the Township overall is a great place.
2. Understand what is working for residents—and what isn't.
3. To ask—what is East Brandywine? And how can we make it better?

So, when Ken was encouraged by those with whom he volunteered to run for the Supervisor position Jay Fischer was vacating, it made sense. With the support of his wife Jennifer and two daughters, he ran for Supervisor in the 2019 election. He is honored to have been elected and is excited about supporting all areas of the Township. Ken not only wants to be part of the present activity in the Township but the future too.

When asked about his goals for our community, Ader shared, "I want to help keep the community engaged in the growth and change that East Brandywine will continue to experience. There will be more homes, but it will be balanced with the Open Space initiative that has been set in place. East Brandywine may no longer be the farming community it once was, but it will be a good, strong community if we all work together."

We wish you much success, Supervisor Ader.

SPRING 2020

East Brandywine Youth Cal Ripkin Baseball & ASA Softball
Calling all players and sponsors!

QUICKBALL (K) THROUGH 12U, EBYA focuses on teaching lifelong skills such as teamwork, sportsman-like conduct, hand-eye coordination and excellent field techniques all while working towards creating championship teams! As a non-profit and 100% volunteer organization, EBYA wouldn't be possible without the incredible support of all of our amazing local business sponsors! Use the email below to learn more about sponsorship!

Register now for the few remaining openings for all ages—EBYA gets your kids out into the fresh air and momentarily away from the screens!
HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/EBYAREGISTRATION or **EYBABBSPONSORS@GMAIL.COM**

Birdhouses
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branches into a box, trash placed in boxes, resting of sports equipment against the boxes, and actually opening boxes and leaving them open. Because of this tampering, Marilyn noted two flattened tree swallow eggs and missing eggs, most likely due to a predator who had easy access to open boxes.

"Tampering with the boxes will affect the mortality rate of the birds," says Marilyn. "It is very important to not disturb the nesting boxes for their survival. Human interference can attract predators and/or cause abandonment of the eggs/hatchlings."

As we approach nesting season, it is important to share this message with our community. If you see someone tampering with boxes, please ask them to stop. And do not place trash or equipment on or in the boxes.

Marilyn invites anyone interested in more information to feel free to stop her to chat when they see her monitoring boxes or contact Parks and Rec Board members to get in touch with her.

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MAY 17

SUNDAY, MAY 17
Bypassed— A Community Voice Project

This feature-length documentary aims to change the way we think about our neighboring city—Coatesville—a place known more for its stigma than its stories. Bypassed was created as a way for residents to tell their story in their own ways.

Presenter Sarah Alderman is the Creator and Project Director and has roots that go back many generations in both her mother's and father's families. Sarah owns an internationally published wedding photography studio and photo booth. Her degree in Anthropology and passion for her hometown comes through in Bypassed!

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MAY 19

MEMORIAL DAY

TUESDAY, MAY 19, 6PM
COMMUNITY PARK

Help us install 1,776 American Flags as we honor all our Military with our Memorial Day Flag Display at the Community Park. Installation will take place on Tuesday, May 19 beginning at 6:00 pm.

JUN 22

FORE THE PARK

MONDAY, JUNE 22
COATESVILLE COUNTRY CLUB

Fore the Park Golf Outing will be held on Monday, June 22 at the Coatesville Country Club. The Golf Outing is one of two major fund raisers for Parks and Recreation. The event will feature lunch, dinner, prizes, and all the amenities of a great round of golf on a beautiful course. Parks and Recreation members would love to have you join as a sponsor and/or golfer. Sponsorships are available from $25-$3,000. All proceeds will benefit future Parks improvements. Please go to HTTP://EBRANDYWINE.ORG/137/PARKS-RECREATION for registration and sponsorship information.

Parks and Recreation Events for 2020

Mark your calendars for FUN!

Our Parks and Recreation Board has filled the calendar with many events for the 2020 year. We are excited about several new activities and look forward to seeing residents old and new join us in the fun.

HIGHLIGHTS:

A new event this year, an **Easter Egg Hunt**, is scheduled for March 29. Let's start the spring watching the joy on the faces of our young residents. On May 19 our 13th annual **Memorial Day Flag Display** will salute all our military with a display of 1,776 American Flags! Our first of **three summer movies** (TBA) will be held on June 5 beginning at dusk (approximately 8:30 pm). July 10 and August 7 are the other movie dates. Our first summer concert will be on June 11 at 6:30 pm featuring the **Walton-Marquette Project**. Summer Solstice, June 20, is the date for **Run for the Parks**, a major fundraiser for our Parks. The run starts at 5:30 pm, followed by a concert at 7:00 pm. Join us for the longest day of the year! On June 22, Parks and Recreation will host the **Fore the Park Golf Outing**, the other major fundraiser. See the sidebar for more information. This is just the beginning of the fun.

Please go to **EBRANDYWINE.ORG** for a complete list of all our events as well as additional info on each event.

PARKS AND REC 2020 CALENDAR:

MAR 29	Easter Egg Hunt	Community Park	1:00-2:30 pm
MAY 19	Memorial Day Flag installation (flags will be on display through May 31)	Community Park	6:00 pm
JUN 5	Movie	Community Park	dusk
JUN 11	Walton-Marquette Project Concert	Community Park	6:30 pm
JUN 20	Run for the Parks, Major Fundraiser	Community Park	5:30 pm
JUN 20	Concert (TBA)	Community Park	7:00 pm
JUN 22	Fore the Park Golf Outing, Major Fundraiser	Coatesville Country Club	11:00 am
JUN 25	Paul Wilkinson and Friends Concert	Community Park	6:30 pm
JUL 10	Movie	Community Park	dusk
JUL 16	West Chester Swing Kings Concert	Community Park	6:30 pm
AUG 7	Movie	Community Park	dusk
OCT 11	Fall Harvest Festival	Community Park	noon-3:00 pm
DEC 5	Tree Lighting	Community Park	3:00-5:00 pm

Chester County Art Studio Tour

Seven local artists open their doors on May 16 & 17

2020 MARKS THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY of the Chester County Studio Tour, when artists throughout the county open their studios and homes to share their process, their work, and their passion for the arts. It started in 2010 with two host studios showing the work of 11 artists and has grown to 56 hosts showing works by 152 regional artists. On May 16 & 17, be on the lookout for signs directing you to any of the seven Downingtown artist studios on the tour, many of whom host additional regional artists for the weekend.

YOUR NEIGHBORING ARTISTS, SOME WHO WILL BE PERFORMING LIVE DEMOS, INCLUDE:

Linda Lurcott, Silversmith—36 Cambridge Court (home of Susan O'Hanlon)
Larry Crossan, Fine Furniture Maker—11 Highspire Road
Adrian Martinez, Painter—363 Washington Avenue
Pam McKee, Painter—109 Hoffman Circle
Susan O'Hanlon, Potter—36 Cambridge Court
Jeff Schaller, Painter—80 Highspire Road
Justin Smith, Glass Artist—138 Moore Road
Marie Wolfington-Jones, Painter—240 Little Conestoga Road

The tour is a great opportunity to see the creative talent of your neighbors up close and personal and to share their passion for the arts. The county-wide event is free and open to the public. Many studios offer light fare and refreshments to visitors as well as a friendly smile. Find tour and artist information for the 2020 event at WWW.COUNTYSTUDIOTOUR.COM. Plan a day to immerse yourself in the arts, connect with your artistic neighbors, and the creative in yourself, too!

JUN
13

SHREDDING EVENT

WITH ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

The Township, along with 7 other municipalities, is again providing a document shredding and electronics recycling event on **June 13**, from **9:00 am until noon**, at the Coatesville Area School District Complex on Reeceville Road, across from the Brandywine Hospital.

Shredding is limited to 4 boxes per person. Fees apply for old TVs and computer monitors. For additional information, visit the Township's website at **WWW.EBRANDYWINE. ORG/2020RECYCLEEVENT**.

Spring Clean Up!

MULCH FOR SALE

For the tenth year, East Brandywine Township is selling double ground mulch. This mulch is from trees and brush collected and chipped along Township roads and from recycled Christmas Trees. There are no dyes or chemical additives in our mulch. It's strictly "green".

The cost of the mulch is $15.00 per yard with a delivery charge of $10.00 within the Township. Delivery is free for a full truckload (6 yards). You can make an appointment to pick up mulch at the Township Complex or order on line at our website. We have a limited quantity so buy your mulch early.

CHIPPING SERVICES

The Road Department is continuing our popular chipping service. Residents place their materials to be chipped at curbside. The service is free if it takes less than 15 minutes. The cost is $25 for each additional 15-minute block. Additional trips are charged $25 for 15-minute intervals. Please place cut ends facing the street for easier removal by the Department. Due to time restraints, we may limit the time spent chipping.

*For additional information on either service or to schedule chipping or delivery please contact the Township office at (**610) 269-8230** or visit* **HTTP://EBRANDYWINE.ORG/243/TRASH-RECYCLING-CHIPPING-YARD-WASTE**

Historic Marker Dedication to Jim Croce
Ceremony on April 25 in Lyndell

JOIN THE PENNSYLVANIA Historical and Museum Commission and the East Brandywine Township Historical Commission along with State and Local Dignitaries on April 25 as they gather to dedicate a Historical Marker commemorating James "Jim" Croce. This event is free to everyone, but a printed ticket is required to board the shuttle buses.

Successful singer/songwriter Jim Croce's work rose to the top of national and international pop music charts for singles

Photo from "You Don't Mess Around with Jim" album taken in Lyndell @ 1972.

and albums in the 1970s. Jim Croce wrote many of his best-known songs during the time he and his family were living in East Brandywine Township.

When he moved here, Croce was disappointed with a career that had failed to launch. He was exhausted by lengthy music tours and frustrated by low pay and a deceptive music industry. He debated whether he should continue his efforts towards a successful music career. His breakout success as a national and international folk and rock music star is the result of 20 songs composed or completed during his 1970-1972 residence here. Lyndell's pleasant surroundings provided Jim Croce with the serenity and artistic inspiration that were critical in creating the turning point in his life and music career.

His songs have been covered by hundreds of performers. He is known as a folk storyteller, with such iconic hits as Time in a Bottle, Operator, I'll Have to Say I Love You in a Song, and Bad, Bad Leroy Brown. He was killed in a tragic plane crash at age 30.

The roadside marker will be dedicated on Saturday (April 25th) afternoon, and there will be a brief reception with refreshments served afterward. The event is free, but attendance will be limited, and tickets are required. Please register for the event at **WWW.EBRANDYWINE.ORG/CROCEDEDICATION**. Further information on parking and the event itself will be provided when you register.

SPRING 2020
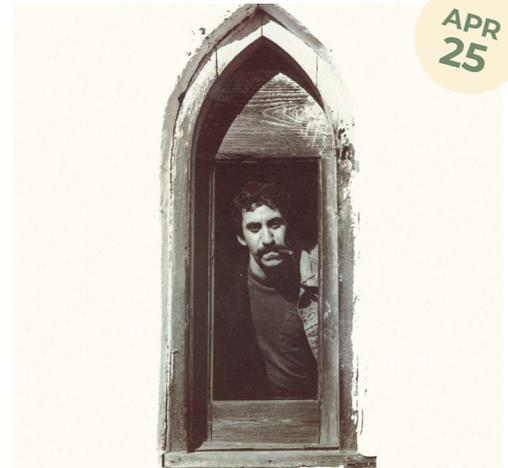
East Brandywine Township Police News
Officers now utilizing body-worn cameras

THE EAST BRANDYWINE Township Police Department has received a matching $13,500 grant from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), U.S. Department of Justice and the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) to implement a Body-Worn Camera (BWC) program in the Police Department.

Officer BWCs are relatively small devices that record interactions between community members (e.g. the public, suspects, and victims) and law enforcement officers. The video and audio recordings from BWCs can be used by law enforcement to demonstrate transparency to their communities. They are used to document statements, observations, and other evidence and to deter unprofessional, illegal and inappropriate behaviors by both law enforcement and the public.

The Police Department presently utilizes mobile-video recording systems in the Police vehicles. The BWCs are complementing the mobile-video systems by recording officer interactions once they leave the confines of the Police vehicle. Both the mobile and BWC systems can be used separately or together. In those cases that both mobile and BWC recordings exist, those files can be downloaded and merged into one digital evidence file.

The grant application and BWC policy development began in 2018 and the Police Department was notified in mid-2019 by BJA and PCCD that the grant application and BWC policies were approved. The final phase of the project occurred this past November with the training of all officers and on December 9 the BWC's were put into full service throughout the Department.

TRAILS COMMITTEE IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS

The Trails Committee advises the Board of Supervisors regarding the development of trails throughout the Township. Current projects include the East-West Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail that will navigate through the Township from the Struble Trail at Dowlin Forge Road to Hibernia Park in West Brandywine, and various connector trails from nearby Township neighborhoods to the East Brandywine Community Park. An interest in contributing to the planning, designing and implementation of trails in the Township is required. A wide range of skills are welcome. If interested, please contact Luke Reven at LUKEREVEN@EBRANDYWINE.ORG.

ON THE MOVE

RECENTLY SOLD HOMES IN EAST BRANDYWINE TOWNSHIP

106 Brookside Drive	$264,000
308 Dawson Place	$338,000
251 Sills Lane	$354,000
86 Winterberry Drive	$279,000
105 Aspen Drive	$680,000
301 S. Caldwell Circle	$553,000
250 Jefferis Road	$250,000
120 Chapel Court	$299,900
85 Rebecca Drive	$684,000
121 Brookhaven Lane	$429,900
41 Cambridge Court	$250,000
7 Clayton Lane	$502,990
436 Timber Pass	$242,000
470 Hallman Court	$440,000
633 Empire Drive	$495,000
402 Norland Drive	$660,000
888 Horseshoe Pike	$86,666
122 Tradition Lane	$365,000
443 Red Hawk Way	$150,000
625 Prizer Court	$399,900
22 Gloucester Drive	$325,000
1147 Horseshoe Pike	$250,000
6 Wyndham Court	$232,000
141 Lenora Lane	$385,000
555 Old Horseshoe Pike	$360,000
65 Nichols Mill Road	$496,000
9 Clayton Lane	$504,990
43 Lakeview Court	$285,000
128 Lambeth Court	$312,000

Source: ZILLOW.COM

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1214 Horseshoe Pike
Downingtown, PA 19335-1153

SAVE THE DATE

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Fore the Park Golf Outing
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Spring 2020 Calendar of Events

For more information on any event, see www.ebrandywine.org

MAR 2020

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4	Planning Commission Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30 pm
5	Open Space Committee Meeting	Township Bldg	7:30 pm
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