

ALAN BLEAM 40TH ANNIVERSARY

Starting in the trenches on July 1, 1985, and working my way up to a position of supervising 16 outstanding employees and managing a million-dollar public works budget, all combined for an awesome career. My career mantra has always been "I do not have a college degree, but I believe that I have a degree in 'common sense and application". From a crew of 3 men in 1985, to a crew of 12 full-time and 4 seasonal employees, with 71 miles of roads, 9 parks, and 2,800 water customers, 40 short years later, there has always been a task to be completed. I have been blessed by elected supervisors and worked under township managers who have always supported me in my endeavors for the good of the township.

As a native born in Plumstead Township 61 years ago, I grew up with mom, dad, and my three older brothers, Levi, David, and Jim, playing in the back yard, gathering with buddies, and sledding and riding bikes on Haring Road. We all attended Gayman Elementary School, played Pinehickon Little League baseball, and were in the Boy Scouts of America, Plumsteadville Troop #171.

Desire, my wife of 32 years, died on May 5, 2023. Desiree was always patient with my work schedule, respected the urgency of a late-night call-out or meeting, endured many lengthy snowstorms, and listened to my gripes and joys, stories and tales, always being there for me to share my day with when I finally got home. I miss her dearly, yet she lives on in my heart.

My mom, now 95+, continues to be my biggest "fan", always checking on what is going on at work and asking, "What are the guys doing?". My daughter Tammy and granddaughters, Sophia (8) and Isabella (7), reside in Laramie, Wyoming, and bring joy to my heart when I see them or even just chat with them on a video call. Tammy is strong in her career, and I know her mom would be very proud of what she has become.

I am strong in my faith, and active with the church family, seeking to live out each day, which is a gift of God.

I look forward to a "few more years" with the township seeking to continue to provide responsible, reliable care and top-notch service to our residents. I need only refer to the inscription on a plaque in my office that Desiree gave to me many years ago:



Success is doing more than you need to - before you are asked to - not because you have to - but because you want to.

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Police Department

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Floyd S. Bryan Public Works Center 5119 Stump Road, Pipersville, PA 18947 Office: 215-766-0189 • Fax: 215-766-1439 Hours: Monday - Friday 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Water Department

Billing Questions: 215-766-0189 Repairs & Maintenance: 215-766-0189

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Fire Marshal: Jeff Gouldey

Meetings:

The Board of Supervisors meet on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00PM.

The Planning Commission meet on the 3rd & 4th Thursday of each month at 7:00PM.

The Zoning Hearing Board meet at the call of the Chairman.

The Environmental Advisory Council meet on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:30PM.

The Parks & Recreation Committee meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00PM.

The Land Preservation Education Advisory Committee (LPEAC) meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00PM

The Veteran's Committee meet on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:00pm

All meetings are held at the Township Building unless otherwise noted on the Township calendar.

SAVE THE DATE

1.	Community Day & Movie Night (3-6pm & movie @ dusk) .	9/6
2.	Blood Drive	9/16
3.	Trick or Treat	10/25
4.	BC Recycle	10/25
5.	Tax Collector (4-6pm)	10/31
6.	Annual Giving Tree	11/1 – 12/7
7.	Veterans Day Celebration at Veterans Park	11/8
8.	Annual Tree Lighting	12/5
9.	Blood Drive	12/15

PUBLIC WORKS

Roads/Parks/Water

Every member of the public works team is skilled at their task, able to "crossover" and work in any area needed. They show up to work each day, ready to meet the challenge before them, whether it is a planned project, or an urgent repair.

Recently, crews worked to stabilize the edge of Sawmill Road at Gordon Road. Settling around a box culvert created a "dip" in Sawmill Road. Once we became aware of the issue, crews removed the failed material, installing shoring at the embankment and new road base paving.

The bridge abutments located on the walking path at Landis Park had succumbed to erosion following several large storm events. The erosion caused a partial collapse of the edge of the walking path at the bridge. Crews stabilized the foundation and used dry bags of concrete mixed, placed inside woven nylon bags to create a stabilized wall. The wall will provide both stabilization to the trail edge and protection from erosion.

Crews were alerted to a water system leak in the Carriage Hill development. Once located and isolated, crews found a sizable leak in a pipe at the end of the supply system. This "blow-off" line is used to perform flushing maintenance to the distribution system. The pipe had deteriorated on its own as shown in the photo. Crews removed and replaced the failed pipe. Customer service was briefly affected at the main was shut down to isolate the area and allow the repair to be completed.







2025 LEAF PICK-UP SCHEDULE:

COLLECTION ZONE	FIRST	SECOND	FINAL
	COLLECTION	COLLECTION	COLLECTION
1	WEEK OF	WEEK OF	WEEK OF
	OCTOBER 20	NOVEMBER 10	DECEMBER 1
2	WEEK OF	WEEK OF	WEEK OF
	OCTOBER 27	NOVEMBER 17	DECEMBER 8
3	WEEK OF	*WEEK OF	WEEK OF
	NOVEMBER 3	NOVEMBER 24	DECEMBER 15

*DUE TO THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY WEEK, COMPLETION OF ZONE 3/SECOND COLLECTION MAY OCCUR DURING THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 1.

Zone Map is on our website: https://plumstead.org/ pworks-faq.html

OPEN SPACE: WHAT IS IT USED FOR?

By definition, open space is land used for farmland preservation, resource protection, or scenic areas and is protected from future development. In some cases, the open space incorporates stormwater facilities that manage drainage and run-off, which serve to reduce localized flooding and provide for recharge of our groundwater. Groundwater serves as a major water source for township residents, regardless of whether they are on private wells or public water.

Mismanagement of open space, such as mowing, dumping yard waste (grass clippings, tree limbs, and dog waste), can negatively impact this cycle. Encroachment onto open space, whether by mowing, planting a garden, placing a structure like a shed or swing set, or dumping yard and dog waste, is prohibited.

In some neighborhoods, signs and fences have been erected to delineate the Township's open space from private land. The Township may expand this practice in neighborhoods where persistent violations are present. The Township may incorporate violations such as those imposed by people violating ordinances pertaining to Township Park lands, such as fines of up to \$1000, plus court costs.

The Township administration is seeking your cooperation in the proper maintenance of the Township's open space. Please help us avoid unnecessary costs of additional fencing and signage, and enforcement by respecting the property lines and limiting your property maintenance activities to your property.

SAFETY

School will be Open Soon..... Pennsylvania's School Bus Stopping Law

- Motorists must stop at least 10 feet away from school buses that have their red lights flashing and stop arm extended.
- Motorists must stop when they are behind a bus, meeting the bus or approaching an intersection where a bus is stopped.
- Motorists following or traveling alongside a school bus must also stop until the red lights have stopped flashing, the stop arm is withdrawn, and all children have reached safety.
- If physical barriers such as grassy medians, guide rails or concrete median barriers separate oncoming traffic from the bus, motorists in the opposing lanes may proceed without stopping.
- Do not proceed until all the children have reached a place of safety.



Penalties

There are two distinct programs related to violations of Pennsylvania's School Bus Stopping Law.

- **Criminal violations PA Vehicle Code Sec. 3345** (Meeting or overtaking school bus) identifies fines and penalties when a police officer pulls you over for a violation, including:
 - \$250 fine and a \$35 surcharge to be deposited into the School Bus Safety Grant Program Account.
 - Five points on your driving record.
 - 60-day license suspension.
- **Civil violations:** (Automated enforcement for failure to stop for school bus with flashing red lights) allows school entities to install and operate a side stop signal arm enforcement system for the purpose of enforcing the School Bus Stopping Law. Civil violations include only a \$300 fine and don't reflect any points or insurance ratings.





VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES

Plumsteadville Volunteer Fire Company thanks our local business owners and residents The Plumsteadville Fire Company recently honored and thanked local business owners and residents for their continued generous support and commitment to the members of the fire company. Like many others in our community, these people continue to selflessly assist our fire company by donating their products, services and time as well as financial support to our volunteer organization.

- Zach Jarin B and B Beverages
- Alicia and Roy Piccari Port-A-Bowl
- Elizabeth and Kevin Roberts Durham Hill
- Maureen and Kevin Crawford
- Rafaa Habib Bocelli's Restaurant

Thank you for your generous donations and support!

If anyone is interested in joining the Plumsteadville Volunteer fire department, please visit our fire station on Stump Rd any Monday evening at 7:00 pm.

Point Pleasant Fire Company thank you to our Community recently faced a significant challenge when the septic pipe beneath our station unexpectedly failed. This unforeseen incident was a complex problem to fix and an expensive setback to the company. Thanks to the support and collaborative efforts of various parties, we restored our station to full functionality in an amazingly short period of time.

First and foremost, we wish to extend our deepest gratitude to the dedicated team at SJR Fire. Their tireless efforts and expertise in handling the repair and restoration process ensured that our station was back in working order much sooner than we anticipated. The SJR team, led by Doug Tilley, worked long days back-to-back to help us allow our members to be in the station and respond to calls without interruption.

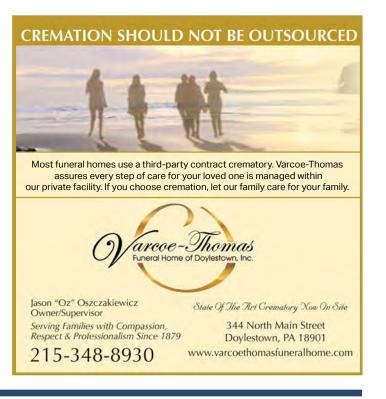
Additionally, we are grateful to the township for assistance. Their commitment of financial support to help us offset the cost of repairs (which totaled over \$200,000) allows us to continue our operational plans for the year.

Lastly, we also want to take this opportunity to thank our community for their ongoing support of our fundraising efforts. Your generosity and participation in our initiatives have continually provided the necessary funds to maintain and improve our building and equipment. It is through this collective support that we can keep our operations running smoothly and be prepared to serve whenever the need arises.

We are incredibly fortunate to have such a supportive community, dedicated township.







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PLUMSTEAD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Most residents are unaware Rt 611, the major highway through Plumstead, is relatively new. Built in 1931, the two-lane concrete road from Doylestown was arrow straight and smooth, a major improvement over the existing rough and

winding dirt roads. (The photograph is machinery that poured and shaped the concrete road). Another historic travel fact is that many local roads were toll roads. Old Easton Rd, Dublin Pike (Rt. 313) and Point Pleasant Pike were some of the roads that collected tolls. No EZ Pass back then, so getting around meant having many coins in your carriage. A recent donation to our museum is a poster of toll rates between Danboro and Plumsteadville. Such as: "From Danboro to Toll



Gate one horse one way 2 Cents both ways 3 Cents", "Cattle and sheep, 6 Cents a score (20)" and "Sleighs, same toll as wagons". However, going to funerals or church services was free!



In more recent history, we are gathering stories and artifacts from the "Dump the Pump" protests of the early 1980's for a future meeting and video. Were you there? Still have a poster? Please contact us at phs1725@gmail.com. Better still, come to our monthly meetings 3rd Tuesdays a 7pm. There you can also buy a limited-edition Mercer tile honoring Plumstead's 300th anniversary.

PLUMSTEAD TOWNSHIP LAND PRESERVATION (LPEAC)

COMMUNITY SUCCESS STORIES IN LAND PRESERVATION

Plumstead Township's scenic farms, woodlands, and riverfront vistas define our rural charm. Since 1996, our Land Preservation Program, supported by voter-approved bonds, has safeguarded nearly 4,000 acres through conservation easements and other land preservation tools. Together with protective land development regulations and assistance from Bucks County and local land trusts, Plumstead has ensured the protection of open spaces for agriculture, recreation, and nature.

Early land preservation efforts focused on farmland in the northwest section of the township where large open parcels are found. Hundreds of acres were protected between 1998 and 2008, such as the old 100-acre Hunsberger farm. Like many of the farms in the neighborhood, the property was preserved through conservation easements purchased by the county and township to ensure protection of valuable farmland and scenic views. With development pressures in the early 2000s, the township expanded its efforts by concentrating on the preservation of community character

with both fee simple purchases and placing conservation easements on farmland and natural areas with historic and scenic value. At the 140-acre McGinnis tract, the vast majority of the property, as well as several neighboring tracts, were preserved to limit development and broaden preservation efforts. New housing was concentrated on only 25 acres, and additional land was dedicated to new parkland. More recent efforts include the preservation of smaller, yet important properties with a variety of contributing features, such as the preservation of 24 acres along Cabin Run by a local land trust using state funds to support wildlife habitat and connect preserved land and parks.

These stories reflect Plumstead's commitment to balancing growth with preservation and the importance of retaining the township's character. If you are interested in preserving your property, download and submit the Land Preservation Application found on the Township website under forms.





PLUMSTRAD



Plumstead Township Appoints Police Chief Dave Mettin as Director of Public Safety

Plumstead Township, Bucks County, PA – The Plumstead Township Board of Supervisors is proud to announce the appointment of Police Chief David Mettin as the Township's first Director of Public Safety. This newly created role reflects the Township's commitment to delivering coordinated, sustainable, and high-quality public safety services for the community.

The Director of Public Safety will oversee the operations of the Police Department and serve as the Township's liaison to its volunteer Fire and EMS services. The position was established to strengthen interdepartmental coordination, ensure the 24/7/365 delivery of emergency services, and promote long-term sustainability across all public safety functions.

"Chief Mettin is uniquely positioned to lead this effort. He has extensive career experience in public safety that includes a record of navigating and implementing change, developing organizational structure, while maintaining a high level of service," said Stacey Mulholland, Township Manager. "This appointment marks an important step forward in enhancing the Township's ability to protect lives and property, and to

respond effectively to the needs of our community." Mulholland reiterated.

As Director of Public Safety, Chief Mettinwill be responsible for facilitating a 21st-century Fire and Rescue Service Program in accordance with the Second-Class Township Code. His duties include maintaining the efficient operation of the Police Department,



ensuring 24/7/365 coverage and coordination between Fire and EMS services, promoting equipment readiness, seeking out state and federal grant funding, and building strong partnerships with local, county, and state public safety agencies. He will work collaboratively with the Township's Fire Marshall and Emergency Management Coordinator, Jeff Gouldey.

The Township's overarching goal remains clear: to preserve public safety, prevent crime, and ensure residents and visitors alike are protected by a dependable and responsive 24/7/365 emergency services system.





Plumstead Township Police Presents Shop with a Cop!

Plumstead Township Police Department is preparing for their SHOP WITH A COP!

SHOP WITH A COP is a national program pairing police officers with children to afford them a better Christmas. This program is geared toward Plumstead Township children at the elementary school level. These children are faced with life challenges

such as a parent losing a job, homelessness, military deployment, economic shortcomings, and other hardships.

SHOP WITH A COP is funded through generous donations in our community from private sponsors, local businesses, and residents. Each child is allotted a monetary gift card to purchase gifts for themselves and family members to allow for an enjoyable holiday.

Our program has grown from 75 children in 2017, to 120 children in 2021, 150 in 2022, 175 in 2023 and 2024 and with the hope to grow even more this year! All this would not be possible without the overwhelming support and generosity of our community.

We hope you'll join us in supporting this cause during the joyous holiday season!

Thank you.

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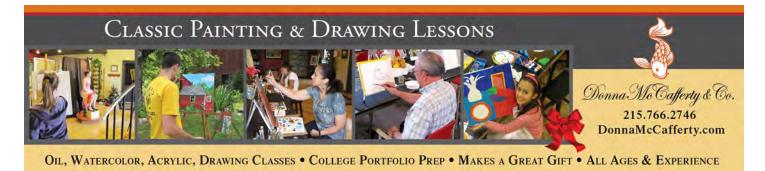


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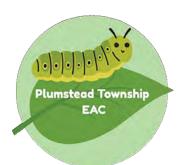
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Native Plants – Sept 15, 6:30 pm
What's the Buzz – October TBD
Watershed Wonders- November TBD
More to Come!



EAC and friends at the last tree planting!

The EAC meets every First Tuesday of every month at the Township building at 7:30pm. All are welcome!

Leave the Leaves!



How can you support pollinators over the fall and winter?

- Leaves create crucial habitat for pollinators, lightning bugs, butterfly and moth eggs
- Don't shred, but blow leaves onto garden beds as a natural, nutrient rich mulch
- Leave plant stems until spring for pollinators to us as winter homes

Top Fall Blooming Native Plants: Goldenrods, Asters and Sunflowers!

NATIVE PLANTS, WATERSHEDS AND BEES: NATURE'S PERFECT PARTNERSHIP

Healthy ecosystems start with native plants. These regional species do more than beautify – they hold soil in place, reduce erosion and filter pollutants, making them allies for a clean watershed. Their deep roots help rainwater soak into the ground, reducing runoff and helping to recharge aquifers.



Pollinators thrive on native flora. Bees and native plants share a symbiotic relationship. Many pollinators rely on nectar and pollen of native species, and in return, their foraging ensures plant reproduction,

plant populations strong.

supporting biodiversity and keeping

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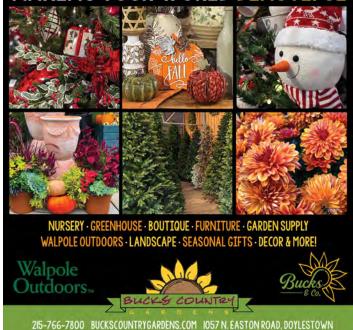
Working in Harmony – Native plants stabilize soil which protects streams and rivers. Healthy watersheds nourish plants, which support bees – and bees, in return help plants flourish. It's nature's version of teamwork, and each part depends on the others to thrive.

Support this trio by planting native species,

reducing chemical use, and protecting waterways. It's a small step with a big impact for pollinators, for water quality, and for future generations!



MAKING YOUR WORLD BEAUTIFUL



ATTENTION DOG OWNERS!

Plumstead Township parks do allow dogs. We ask that all dog owners who bring your dog to our park please be respectful to all other park patrons and follow Township ordinance 16-103 that requires such dog is secured on a leash of not more than six feet in length. Owners of animals, in any park, recreation or playground area, shall be responsible for the immediate removal and disposal of fecal matter deposited by that animal.



Plumstead Township Parks have a Carry in Carry out policy. Anything brought into the park with you when arriving should also be taken with you when you depart. Trash and recyclables should be properly disposed of at your home. This includes dog waste bags that are used while in the park. Leaving the bags lying on the grass or on the path around the park is considered littering!

PLUMSTEADVILLE GRANGE

Plumsteadville Grange awards two to three \$1000 scholarships per year. These are in memory of Ellen Elaine Crooke, who was a long-time member of 4H and a role model to many young 4H members.

4H is Pennsylvania's largest youth development organization, and 4H members tackle projects that build life skills, explore careers, and help young people find their passions in life.

Scholarships are awarded to 4 H members or children of Grange members.

2025 scholarships were awarded to **Kaitlyn Jackson** and **Zoe Ketler**, who are studying Small Animal Science leading to Veterinary Science at Delaware Valley University, and **Cora Stine**, who is studying Graphic Design at Montgomery Community College.

The three students had been long-time members of 4H clubs, ranging from rabbits, dairy, and beef cattle to horses



PARKS & RECREATION







On behalf of Plumstead Township Parks and Recreation, we extend our heartfelt thanks to Plumstead Materials for sponsoring our June 27th Concert in the Park. We're grateful for your partnership and proud to have Plumstead Materials as a valued sponsor. Their generous support helped make the evening a resounding success, bringing neighbors together, filling the park with music and joy, and creating memories that will last all summer long.

VETERANS COMMITTEE



Plumstead Township



Honoring all who served

Please join us for our annual Veterans Day observance.



Saturday, November 8, 2025 9:00 AM

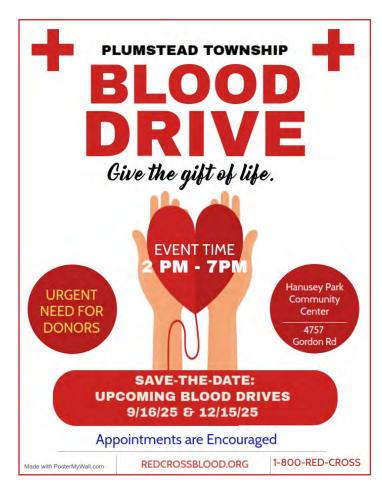
Veterans Park 5775 Easton Road Flag-raising

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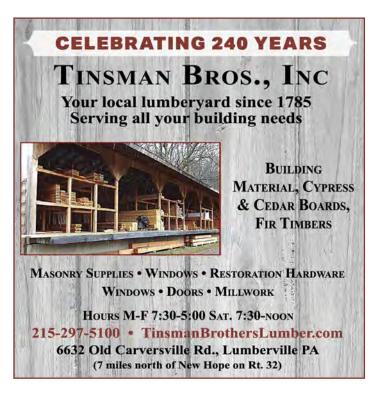
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EVENTS











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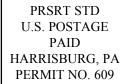
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