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Ottsville's One-Stop Shop

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Since opening in July 2007, Ottsville's Brig O'Doon coffee house has become the place to go when you need a cup of coffee, a steak for dinner, or some great cheese (all local, of course).

To put a complete meal on the table one still had to range beyond Tinicum, but thanks to a shop owner with a major "can do" attitude, that has changed. In response to customer

With a sales background and twelve years as a territory manager for a steel company, Patrick, also a former teacher and member of the Army, knows that meeting customer needs is the only way to run a business. He moved quickly, and within months found the perfect business with which to partner.

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PHOTO: JOHN CLEMENT

Team Brig O'Doon. Clockwise from left: Laura Esposito, Rachel Dymecki, Christian Kim, Patrick, Amarin, Elijah and Caleb Mullaney.

demand (pleas, in truth), Brig O'Doon's Patrick Mullaney has merged his business with Kimberton Whole Foods to create a new business, Kimberton Whole Foods at the Brig O'Doon.

"This wasn't the direction we were heading in," says Patrick's wife, Kim, with a laugh. "The community had its own ideas and just nudged us into this. It is so exciting." The Brig O'Doon had been open for less than a week, the couple recalls, when they were beset with requests to carry more items. Customers asked if they could offer local produce, more seating, longer hours, a wall to display local art, and more.

operated markets," says Patrick. "We are merging with them in the Ottsville location only." Terry Brett, who founded and runs Kimberton, has stores in Douglassville, Downingtown and Kimberton. The partnership between the two men is a natural, as Patrick and Terry share the same passion about customer service, organic foods, and, as it turns out, Tinicum Township. "Kim and I both grew up in Bucks County, and I used to camp up here" says Patrick, "but until we moved here we had no idea what a great community Ottsville was."

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Supervisors' Corner

Bridges

We have reached an agreement with PennDOT on the Geigel Hill Rd. Bridge. A single-lane bridge capable of handling the heaviest trucks (including fire company tankers), but designed to look much like the original bridge and incorporating the old trusses will be constructed in early 2010.

Discussions regarding the Headquarters Rd. Bridge over Tincum Creek have moved along and we are dealing with the final design elements. Construction cannot take place until after the Geigel Hill bridge reopens.

Following the public meeting in October, PennDOT is finalizing the design details on the bridge across the Tockon Creek in Point Pleasant.

On Nov. 4 the county closed the Uhlerstown Covered Bridge over the canal to repair the wingwalls. The project is expected to take forty-five days. We closed Uhlerstown Hill early to coordinate with this project.

Recycling DelGuerico Waste Haulers has put a free recycling bin at the township's Public Works parking lot. The bin is for all recyclables—there's no need to separate paper, cardboard, glass, or plastics—and is accessible 24 hours a day, every day. Many thanks to DelGuerico for keeping our community green.

Open Space Update The Tincum Open Space Commission has been hard at work all year on projects from one end of Tincum to the other. In May, a conservation easement was signed protecting the Shivo property on Park Rd. in Ottsville, protecting this beautiful farm at a bargain price for the township—just over \$390,000, far less than the value of the development rights. In early October, the township closed on a conservation easement on the Folkes property on Tory Rd., in Pipersville. The Folkes property adjoins several other preserved properties in this area, so an area totaling more than 160 acres is now protected. In addition, your tireless Open Space Commission members are working on six new applications, and talking to landowners about the new income tax benefits associated with the donation of conservation easements.

Wildlife Casualties Unfortunately, animal carcasses along our roads are a perennial problem. With the exception of deer, PennDOT (215-345-6060) picks up animal carcasses on state roadways. They are responsible for deer carcasses on Rte. 611 *only*. Deer pick-up falls to the Game Commission on roads other than Rte. 611. Tincum police officers send pick-up requests to the Game Commission and will forward residents' requests on as well. Call our police non-emergency number: 610-294-9158.

Fire Companies Even though families everywhere are looking to save money, our fire companies' operating budgets and ability to afford modern equipment depends to a great extent on our donations. (Del Val Fire Co. is under contract to replace a vintage 1969 engine with a new model which will cost \$380,000.) In addition to fires, these volunteers turn out for accidents, floods, rescues, and more. As always, even small contributions help.

Public Works News Specific projects undertaken by Doug Skelton and his staff in 2008 included cleaning and painting the Sheephole Rd. Bridge and completing the Dirt and Gravel Road resurfacing projects on Tettermer and Mt. Airy to improve and preserve the roadway and prevent erosion and stream pollution. This last project was made possible by a \$31,000 grant from the Bucks Co. Conservation District. They are also complying with a state mandate to make the lettering on street signs 8" high and to make all signs reflective. Despite rumors of a salt shortage, Doug assures us we have our normal supply, plus some reserve. Two additional miles of roads were taken on through Tincum's Adopt-a-Road program.

Get Well Soon Everyone in Tincum wishes Chief James Sabath and Officer Mark Compas a quick recovery from injuries sustained while at work serving our community in October. Notes and good wishes may be sent c/o Tincum Police Department, 165 Municipal Rd., Pipersville PA 18947.

"Images of America, Tincum Township"

Residents have been snapping up copies of this wonderful book by Patricia Whitacre and Richard Plank. For those who haven't yet seen it, Pat and Rick used over 230 photos from approximately fifty individuals, organizations, and families to tell the township's fascinating history. They poured themselves into this project for over a year and the result is a beautiful and entertaining history of Tincum. Books are \$20 and can be purchased at the township office. All profits from the township's sales are dedicated to historic preservation, including restoration of the Stover Mill.



Rick Plank and Pat Whitacre sign copies of their history of Tincum.

Subdivisions & Development

Lot Line Change Application approved 8/19/08 for property of Mark Stevens at Geigel Hill and Upper Tincum Church Rds., Erwinna. 86.024 acres were subtracted from Tax Parcel 44-15-77-1 and conveyed to Tax Parcel 44-15-82. Tax Parcel 44-15-77-1 was reduced from 116 to 30.126 acres. Tax Parcel 44-15-82 increased from 100.235 to 186.259 acres. No improvements were proposed.

Conditional Use Application filed 8/19/08 by Paul Morrow in association with proposed 2-lot subdivision for 345 Geigel Hill Rd., Upper Black Eddy. Conditional Use approved for development in the following Zoning Overlays: Wetlands & Wetland Margin, Riparian Buffer, Critical Recharge, Tincum Creek Watershed, Woodland & Hedgerow, Prime Farmland and Agricultural Soils, and Critical Biodiversity. Subdivision Application approved 9/16/08 to relocate rear lot line of parcel 44-6-48 to encompass existing dwelling with approx. 10 acres. Balance of parcel 44-6-49 to be used for one two-story dwelling.

Ongoing

Main Street Development Group, Inc. "Carr Tract" Curative Amendment Hearings started on 7/21/07; the 21st and final hearing was held 9/29/08. Hearings having concluded, there is an agreed- to schedule for briefing and decision. Main Street has 30 days from receipt of the transcripts (on 10/17/08) to provide their Proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Discussion after which the Intervenor and the Township will have

30 days to provide same. Main Street has the option of submitting a Reply Brief within 15 days and the Board of Supervisors will make its decision on the Curative within 45 days of receiving the final written argument. The Curative Amendment Application of "Main Street Development Group, Inc." for "Ottsville Square" (a.k.a. "Carr Tract") 45 Durham Rd., Ottsville challenges and seeks to revise farmland soil overlay for CC, C, LC and PI zoning districts and height restriction in Delaware River Wild & Scenic Overlay for the entire east side of Rte 611. Application dated 12/30/04, proposes 192 units, community center, pool, and parking on 19.68 acres in the CC District. There were also 7 conditional use hearings on this application through 6/19/05 which were tabled until the Curative application is resolved.

Pending

Conditional Use/Sewage Facilities Planning Module and 5-Lot Preliminary Subdivision filed 1/8/08 by Terence and Claire Froman for 100 Tory Rd., Pipersville. Proposal for 5 lots on 33.75 acres to construct 4 new single-family dwellings on tax parcel 44-22-39. Seeks approval for development in several overlay districts. Last reviewed January 2008.

Main Street Development Group, Inc. Conditional Use/Curative First conditional use hearing on application filed 6/10/05 for 268 units on 28 acres on Rte. 611, Ottsville was held on 6/13/07.

Piper Group, Inc., "Oak Grove II" Preliminary Plan for 35-lot subdivision & Planning Module Application on Tax Parcels 44-11-35, 44-11-71, 44-11-73 and 44-11-72 which comprise 153 acres: Reviewed on January 23, 2007. Revised plans submitted 9/20/07. Conditional use application is for 47 lots on 161.8 acres.

"Tincum Sewer and Water Group, L.P." Conditional Use/Curative Indefinite extension on application for subdivision, land development, conditional use, and curative filed 9/1/05 for property owned by Penrose and Marion Hallowell Rte. 611, Ottsville.

Piper Group, Inc., "Tohickon Valley Farm" First Conditional Use/Curative hearing on application filed 7/15/05 proposing use for 60 garden apartment units in 5 apartment buildings on 11.87 acres on Rte. 611 and Tohickon Valley Rd., Ottsville held on 6/13/07.

Piper Group Inc., "Durham Village" First Conditional Use/Curative hearing on application filed 7/15/05 for 42 townhouse units, 10 multiplex units, one existing home, open space, and other improvements on 20.9 acres portion of a 34.6-acre tract at Headquarters, Tohickon Valley, and Durham Rds., Ottsville.

Ordinances

Ordinance 186, enacted 5/6/08 pursuant to the Tincum Township Cable Television Franchise Ordinance, grants a cable television franchise renewal to Service Electric Cable T.V., Inc. subject to the terms of the Cable Franchise Agreement which shall remain in effect for ten years.

Ordinance 187, enacted 10/7/08 pursuant to the Second Class Township Code vacates a portion of Tettermer Road. The Supervisors accepted the dedication of an equivalent new portion of Tettermer Road.

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After meeting with residents last fall, Terry Brett echoed this sentiment. “I have never seen such an engaged, supportive community.”

“We are so pleased,” says Shirley Wolfinger Morgan, whose father owned and ran Wolfingers’s General Store at this location from the early to mid 1900’s. “I love what they have done with the building. It’s exciting that it is coming to life.”

The building has come to life time and again. In a 1910 pamphlet titled “Historic Sketch of Ottsville and Vicinity,” Dr. George M. Grim, whose home still stands just down Durham Road, wrote of the building, “A store has been kept here as far back as can be remembered, its location has changed from time to time, but has principally been located on its pres-



ent site.” In 1938 the store known as Wolfinger’s burned. Shirley, who was born the year of the fire, was raised in the house attached to the store and lived there until her late twenties. After the fire, her father reopened the store to the great relief of residents.

“I’ll be back to see the new market,” Shirley promised. “Patrick has been wonderful about keeping me posted on all of the doings. For a place like Ottsville, having a store here again is big news.”

Patrick and Kim had no idea that they would be the center of so much attention when they bought the old general store. “I bought the property with the idea of renovating the commercial portion and renting it out to local businesses,” Patrick says. “I knew that if I did a good job managing the building, I might make some income off of the rents and be able to find a job with less travel. The children

were growing up fast. I had to find a way to spend more time with them and Kim.”

He talked to potential tenants, including a beauty shop, photography studio, and funeral home, but, after renovating a large portion of the space, working with the township, and doing a lot of praying, Patrick decided that the best thing for his family would be to start his own business at the site.

“We thought my dad was crazy at first,” says 16-year-old Christian, Patrick and Kim’s oldest son. Patrick put Christian, and 14-year-old Amarin, to work in the coffee shop. “If we lived on a farm, they would have been milking cows.” Patrick says. “Kim and I thought it would be a great experience for them to help run a business.”

The teenagers, who home school with



their two younger brothers, were reluctant, but not for long. Christian says, “At first I thought ‘I hate working, I hate people, and I hate coffee,’ and now I see it as a blessing. People are always changing and always have something new going on in their lives, and I love being a part of that... I always thought I was just a usual kid, you know, my hood pulled over my face, listening to music, but now I feel that I am doing something important, something that counts.” Amarin adds that they have learned to interact with all sorts of people. “I used to be really shy,” Amarin says, “Now I look forward to seeing everybody and finding out what they are up to.”

The renovated coffee shop is now large enough to include comfortable seating to hang out and sample Tinicum resident Rachel Dymecki’s raspberry bars, muffins, and uniquely delicious granola.

At over 4000 square feet, the market, continues to offer Trent Hendricks’ raw milk, organic yogurt, eggs, grass-fed meat and poultry. A complete organic frozen foods section, an extensive health and beauty area, and produce department are also included.

“We will add products as we get to know customer needs,” Terry Brett promises, adding that he is eager to build relationships with many more local farmers. What Ed Wolfinger said of his store years ago, “There’s no need for anybody to go anywhere,” may be true once more.

Patrick resigned from his sales job last May, and spent the spring working with the township, the bank, and Kimberton. Last summer, much to the chagrin of the locals, he closed the coffee house



PHOTOS: JOHN CLEMENT

for a few weeks so that his family could continue to upgrade the building in preparation for the addition of Kimberton Whole Foods, and, as Patrick said, “to get a bit o’ rest!” No one held any grudges. This family is working to change Ottsville for the better and the community is delighted.

Earlier this year, while delivering some coffee he had donated to a Palisades sports event, a resident walked up to Patrick and said, “I just want to shake your hand. I want you to know we are really pulling for you. We want you to succeed.” He might not have realized it, but he was speaking for the whole community.

- Peyton Petty

Brig O’Doon is open Mon.-Fri. 6am-4pm; Sat. and Sun. 7am-4pm. Kimberton Whole Foods is open Mon.-Fri. 9am-7pm; Sat. 9am-6pm; Sun. 10am-6pm.

Robert Sugarman (May 29, 1938 - June 26, 2008)

In June Tincicum lost a protector. Officially, Robert Sugarman was our township solicitor, but for those of us who worked with Bob to steer Tincicum through the complicated process of balancing preservation with reasonable growth, he was also our friend.

Bob had a national reputation as an activist and legal expert surrounding environmental and land use issues. Most often, however, he chose to devote himself to grassroots organizations, and townships like Tincicum (and Buckingham and Warrington) whose efforts at self-preservation needed his expertise to parse the intricacies of state and federal legislation.

Bob's way to solve things was not to look at how others succeeded, because in most cases nobody had. Instead he looked at strategies that had worked in different situations that could be applied to the current one. He saw links between apparently dissimilar issues and found new ways to approach them. The word from other townships, when Bob was interviewed for Tincicum

solicitor was that he never lost. For twenty years, Tincicum had the benefit of that extraordinary mind.

He had a genuine belief that everyone had a legitimate point of view; he was always ready to talk to someone as long as that person was being sincere. Bob wasn't a classic lawyer: he didn't dress immaculately, and he may not have prepared witnesses exactly as they wanted. It could be a nerve-racking thing to testify for Bob—you had no idea what he was going to ask you. His style was to prepare to be ready to go in almost any direction, and to trust his intellect.

When the Board of Supervisors became aware of his losing battle with

cancer, they named Bob an honorary Tincicum resident. Other honors reflect Bob's impact beyond Tincicum and throughout southeastern Pennsylvania—the county made May 29th “Bob Sugarman Day” and a stretch of road in Lower Makefield is named for him.

We appreciate the sacrifice Bob's wife, Kathy, and his children Karen, Ken, Jane, Lily, and Gabrielle made—for the many evenings his tireless work on behalf of our township kept him away from them. We know we asked a lot from Bob; we wanted Tincicum's fate to be different from everywhere else to the south. We knew that was an enormous task. That he was up to it makes his loss even harder to bear.



Forty-two Additional Acres Under Conservation Easement

Jay and Sara Folkes knew they wanted to preserve the historic integrity of their corner of Tincicum Township along Tory Road for all time. Losing that 18th century ambience “would break my heart,” says Jay. That is why these long term residents (since 1952) placed their twenty acres under conservation easement with the township Open Space Program and Tincicum Conservancy.

Parts of the house date to the late 1700s. The original wooden barn burned, but was rebuilt with English bricks used for ballast in 19th century merchant vessels. The farm originally stretched from Stover Park Road to Cafferty on both sides. Over the years, some parcels were sold, but remained as farms, and some were given to Bucks County for the Tohickon Valley Park.

The easement preserves some important wetlands, and protects

groundwater quality and supply for future farming. Combined with the Balitsaris and Duval easements, Jay and Sara's generous conservation easement will insure that the Tory Road area preserves forever some of Tincicum's historic agrarian atmosphere.

On the other side of the township, in the Tincicum Creek watershed, Con McCarthy and Donna Luck have added their twenty-two acres to an already conserved 400 plus acre corridor of core habitat with a wide diversity of native plant and animal species. A headwater stream flows from the property into the Little Tincicum Creek, part of the Tincicum Creek Exceptional Value watershed, and the steep slopes above Headquarters Road harbor large old hardwood trees, which protect the hill from erosion and help keep the water clean.

A Tincicum native with family nearby, Donna feels very lucky to be

able to live where she was raised. Some of her friends have moved away. The McCarthy/Lucks added their land to the protected acreage so that, in Donna's words, “when they come back, Tincicum will still be here.”

The easement process “was a great experience from start to finish,” says Donna. She and Con found everyone concerned easy to work with, from Open Space Commission to Tincicum Conservancy members, and Donna is especially grateful to the township government for making the program possible: “I don't know why everyone doesn't do it.”

Tincicum is fortunate to have residents like the Folkes and McCarthy/Lucks with a strong sense of place and of history, and the vision to conserve these qualities for the future.

- Marion M. Kyde

Looking Back but Moving Forward: Tincum Elementary's 50th

September 15th at Tincum Elementary School was a warm and sunny affair in more ways than the weather. School staff, students, and parents gathered outside to kick off a year of 50th Anniversary festivities. One of the day's highlights was hearing 92-year-old Ottsville resident and former first-grade teacher Martha Bean recall teaching a half century ago when the school's doors first opened. Since 1958 many things have changed, but Martha was glad to see that one thing has stayed the same: "The friendliness," she said. "They always made you feel so at home here."

The students listened to State Senator Chuck McIlhinney read a proclamation of birthday wishes and laughed as he pronounced their dancing mascot a "fifty-year-old tiger." A spokeswoman for PA House Rep. Marguerite Quinn presented Principal Scott Davis with an American flag plaque and a citation for academic excellence.

Palisades School Board Vice President Mike Lynch told the audience "we're all part of this big family. That's what's great about Tincum." He encouraged students to ponder how the world has changed in the years since their predecessors entered the classrooms, and how much more it will change after another fifty years roll by. Other board members, including Jim Beerer and Tincum resident Steve Kunkel also spoke.

Students sang a new version of "Oh, Tincum," with some refreshed lyrics and set to new music courtesy of music teacher Nate Kirby. The kids blew bubbles and after watching them float lazily into the sky, they returned to their classrooms. Meanwhile, Principal Davis, staff, parents, and many former teachers and students headed to the school library for a presentation by Ottsville resident and current student Lucinda Damm. There was lots of laughter and reminiscing as old photos appeared on the screen. A birthday cake capped off the event.

Davis said he was quite excited by the school's great history and its achievement of fifty years educating young people. But he also plans to take the opportunity throughout the school year to highlight how much change those fifty years have brought and to focus on preparing students for an ever-changing and evolving world. For Davis, his staff, and the Palisades School District as a whole, this also means embracing new theories of what

Hamilton sharing their recollections of Tincum. JoAnne was a member of the school's first fifth-grade class; Tiffany is the school's kindergarten teacher.

On October 16th Carrie Burrows and Charlene Schaefer (granddaughters of the late Helen Schaefer, who was one of the school's first teachers) and retired teacher Phyllis Morriss recounted stories about the school. Other former or retired school personnel scheduled to chat with the kids include



PHOTO: KATHY FERRARI

State Sen. Chuck McIlhinney wishes the Tincum Tiger a happy birthday.

such preparedness entails, including, for example, the one outlined in Daniel Pink's "A Whole New Mind." Pink posits that success is predicated on honing the six creative senses of design, story, symphony, play, meaning, and empathy. Davis hopes the Tincum curriculum will allow children to polish those "right brain" skills and is encouraging teachers to focus on them.

Guidance Counselor Terry Brown told me that she believes "the school is the social hub of the community, a place to transition the past and present. The students have to know the community to give back to it." She feels the September 15th celebration and events like it, will help do that. The "Memory Sharers" series launched on September 24th illustrates Brown's point about the past and present. The series of talks given by past educators and their families began with JoAnn and Tiffany

librarian Doris Fidishum Labonis, reading specialist Rose Jacobs, teacher Jill Gery (November 19th) and principal Eileen Wessel and teacher Peggy Enoch (December 10th).

Davis recalled that on his first day as Principal, three years ago, he felt the "warmth and love of this welcoming community" and he understood what could be accomplished. "If you have that positive foundation you can do everything together. Community and culture help students achieve and teachers grow through mutual respect and trust." He says he wants all guests who enter the school to feel what he felt that first day. Davis loves what he does—and you can see it! But what's not to love about our school, set in this beautiful community? Happy Birthday, Tincum Elementary! Here's to another fifty years in our vibrant township!

- Julie Wenskoski

Community Calendar

Daily - Tennis, basketball, volleyball, ice skating Four Brooks Park, Cafferty & Smithtown Rds. Open dawn to dusk. Residents only.

Weekdays - Disposal of appliances and other large items available year round. Call Twp Bldg for details. 610-294-9154. Hazardous household waste will be collected by the County in the summer.

Mondays – Bingo Ottsville Fire Co., 249 Durham Rd. Doors open 6:30 pm, games start 7 pm. \$5.

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays – Eastern Upper Bucks Senior Center, open 10 am-2 pm, 8040 Easton Rd, Ottsville. New members welcome! Line dancing Mon 10:30-11:30 am; Yoga Tues 10:15-11:15; Tai-Chi Wed 10:30-11:30 am; Drawing Class 1 pm Wed (call to confirm); 4th Monday big cash bingo 1 pm; 2nd Thur. Pinochle tournament 1 pm, 3rd Thur. Board-game day. 610-847-8178.

Pipersville Free Library hours: M-F 3-5 pm, T,W,Th 7-8:30 pm, Thurs. 10 am-12 noon. Lots of good, new books available. 215-766-7880

Tinicum Park & Tohickon Valley Park information 215-757-0571.

Erwin-Stover House in Tinicum Park Open Fri - Sun noon - 4 pm or by appointment. Call 215-489-5133 (Mon-Fri) to confirm/schedule times.

Van Sant Airport and County Park Picnic under the trees and watch vintage aircraft. Glider, Piper Cub, Tiger Moth, and Stearman rides offered. 610-847-8320

NOVEMBER

11 Palisades Parent Support Network for families of children K-12. "Motivating your Child to Succeed" 7-9 pm, PALMS library.

14 Lenape Chamber Ensemble A Baroque concert with works by J.S. Bach, Handel, Vivaldi, Telemann & Couperin. 8:15 pm, Upper Tinicum Lutheran Church. Adults \$18, Seniors & Students \$15, Children under 12 \$5. 610-294-9361 or lenapechamberensemble.org.

14 Spaghetti Dinner All-you-can-eat, Del Val Fire Co. 75 Headquarters Rd, Erwinna, 5:30-8 pm. Adults \$8, Seniors \$7.50, Children 6-12 \$5, under 6 free.

18 Palisades HS Parents Network 12 noon, HS Principal's conference room. Hear about decisions affecting the school and students. Tootsie Carty 610-982-5211.

26 Thanksgiving Eve Service 8 pm, Rock Ridge Chapel, Geigel Hill Rd, east of Cafferty Rd. All denominations are welcome. 610-847-2906.

DECEMBER

Mid-December Watch for signups for Tinicum Youth Athletic Association baseball, boys ages 8-12; softball, girls ages 8-14; Tee Ball ages 5-7. Flyers will be distributed at area schools or call Jim Stuebing 610-847-6666.

4 Tinicum Civic Association Mtg 7:30 pm, Stover Mill, 852 River Rd, Erwinna. 610-294-9420.

5 Holiday Baked Goods and Crafts Sale benefit for the Pipersville Library at First Savings Bank, Rtes 611 & 413. 9 am-7 pm or until sold out.

6 An Old Fashioned Christmas in Tinicum Park with Carriage Rides sponsored by Bucks County Parks Dept., 11 am-4 pm, rides by reservation only. Carriage rides: Adults \$14, children \$9. Children under 14 must be accompanied by parent or guardian 18 years or older. Program also includes entertainment, crafts & holiday items for sale and refreshments. 215-489-5132. MUST register by 4 pm, Nov 28.

12 Spaghetti Dinner All-you-can-eat, Del Val Fire Co. See Nov. 14.

14 Firehouse Breakfast All-you-can-eat at the UBE Vol. Fire Co., Firehouse. Lane off River Rd, 7:30 am -12:30 pm. Yummy traditional American breakfast fare. Adults \$7, children 5-12 \$3, under 5 free.

21 Winter Solstice – First day of Winter

24 Christmas Eve Service 11 pm, Rock Ridge Chapel, Geigel Hill Rd east of Cafferty Rd. All denominations welcome. 610-847-2906.

JANUARY

Christmas Trees Residents may bring trees to the township building to be chipped free of charge.

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17,18 Palisades Community Chorus Winter Concert performing three Coronation Anthems by Handel and Cantata #71 by J.S. Bach, 3 pm, location to be announced. Adults \$10; Seniors, students \$5. 610-294-9039 or www.PalisadesCommunityChorus.org.

22 Tinicum Civic Association Mtg 7:30 pm, Stover Mill, 852 River Rd, Erwinna. 610-294-9420.

25 Palisades Community Chorus Winter Concert repeat performance, see Jan 17.

FEBRUARY

Free Income Tax Filing Help for Senior Citizens Every Thursday 9:30 am-1 pm at the Eastern Upper Bucks Senior Center, 8040 Easton Rd, Ottsville. First come, first served. Call 610-847-8178 to confirm.

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Suggestions for the Community Calendar should be sent to Pat Lesko at plesko1@fast.net or call 610-847-8304

Township Boards and Meeting Schedule

Residents are welcome at all meetings.

Board of Supervisors

Generally the first and third Tuesdays at 7:45 pm with only one per meeting per month in May, June, July, Aug, Sept and Nov Meeting dates: Nov 18, Dec 2 and 16.

Open Space Commission

Kris Becker 4/15/08-12/31/10
John Cole 1/2/07-12/31/09
Dave Emerson 1/01/08-12/31/10
Mindy Friedman 5/8/07-12/31/09
William Harvey 1/2/07-12/31/09
Ed Henry 1/01/08-12/31/10
Martie Kyde 1/06/06-12/31/08
Norman MacArthur 1/06/06-12/31/08
Kim Rosamilia 1/2/07-12/31/09
Pat Whitacre 1/02/07-12/31/09
Generally the fourth Monday at 7:30 pm.
Meeting dates: Nov 24, Dec 22.

Park and Recreation Board

Vicki Dexheimer 1/06/06-12/31/08
R. Douglas Hahn 1/2/07-12/31/09
Glen Hale 1/3/08-12/31/10
Geoffrey Nye 3/21/06-12/31/08
David Sears 1/1/08-12/31/10
Generally the second Wednesday at 8 pm.
Meeting dates: Nov 12, Dec 10.

Joint Tinicum, Nockamixon and Bridgeton Groundwater Management Committee

Tinicum members:
Robert Stanfield 1/2/07-12/31/09
Greg Van Hook 1/2/07-12/31/09
Generally the third Wednesday at 7:30 pm in the Nockamixon Township Building.
Meeting dates: Nov 19, Dec 17.

Planning Commission

Damon Aherne 1/7/06-12/31/08
Gregory Czura 4/17/07-12/31/08
Vincent Dotti 1/1/08-12/31/09
Laure Duval 1/1/08-12/31/10
Judy Iden 1/1/08-12/31/10
Trevor McNeill 1/2/07-12/31/09
Nicholas Tscheschlog 1/2/07-12/31/09
Generally the fourth Tuesday at 7:45 pm.
Meeting Dates: Nov 25, Dec 9.

Environmental Advisory Committee

Derek Fell 1/01/08-12/31/10
Martie Kyde 1/01/08-12/31/10
Steve Malarsky 8/19/06-12/31/08
Robert Stanfield 1/06/03-12/31/08
Edythe Victor 1/16/07-12/31/09
Michael Zavoda 1/03/05-12/31/09
Generally the third Monday at 7:30 pm.
Meeting dates: Nov 17, Dec 15.

Historical Commission

Charles Bello 1/01/08-12/31/10
Jay Folkes 1/06/06-12/31/08
Jack Halstead 1/06/06-12/31/08
Brian Murphy 1/2/07-12/31/09
Generally the second Monday at 7:30 pm.
Meeting dates: Nov 10, Dec 8.

Zoning Hearing Board

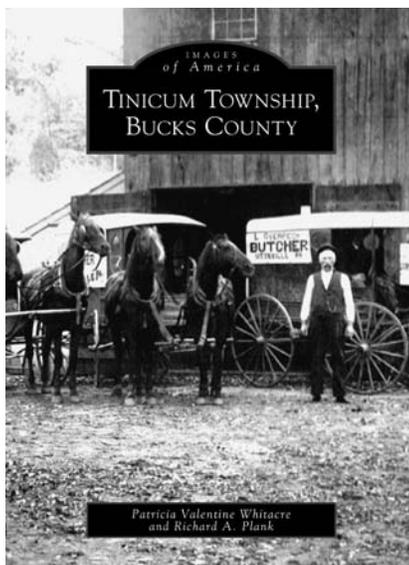
Bill Altier 1/01/08-12/31/10
Eric Hinrichs 1/01/06-12/31/08
Terry Pratt 1/2/07-12/31/09
John Moore 1/1/06-12/31/08
Generally the second and fourth Thursday at 7:00 pm as required. One meeting in Sept, Nov and Dec. Hearing notices will be published.
Meeting dates: Nov 13, Dec 11.

Building Code Board of Appeals

Hearings as required.
Joe Billingham
Ken Walton
Chris Weaver

Vacancies

Tinicum has vacancies on several boards. If a particular group interests you, please check with Township Manager Linda McNeill.



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