

# Environmental Advisory Council (EAC)

## Meetings

- 4th Monday of every month starting at 7 pm

This meeting date/time occasionally is rescheduled for holidays and other conflicts, so please check the [calendar](#) for any changes.

## Agendas & Minutes

Agendas are available prior to the meetings. Minutes are available following approval.

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## Members

- Brooke Davis  
Term expires: December 31, 2024
- Paul Lucot, Chair  
Term expires: December 31, 2026
- Kathy J. Bergmann  
Term expires: December 31, 2025
- Rhona Klein  
Term expires: December 31, 2024
- Paul Lewis  
Term expires: December 31, 2026
- Edward McConnell  
Term expires: December 31, 2025
- Maura Sheehan  
Term expires: December 31, 2024

## Overview

The EAC consists of a minimum of five members who are appointed to a three-year term. Members must be residents of the Township. The EAC is an advisory group and coordinates its

activities with the Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, and other advisory boards and committees. The EAC advises the Board of Supervisors regarding the identification of environmental problems and conditions and makes recommendations on plans and programs to promote the conservation of the natural resources for the protection and improvement of the quality of the environment within East Bradford Township.

## **Energy**

East Bradford has partnered with five other West Chester Area municipalities in a commitment to 100% renewable electricity by the year 2035 and 100% total renewable energy by the year 2050. We need your help to make this happen. Clean Energy Future is focused on three important steps to reach our goal: **Reduce** the amount of energy you use; **Electrify** the sources of energy you use, and; **Transition** to 100% renewable energy. For more information visit [Clean Energy Future](#).

This initiative is consistent with other energy-related objectives.

The Board of Supervisors adopted a [resolution \(PDF\)](#) that supports a vision of a 100% renewable energy future. This objective is consistent with the [2016 Comprehensive Plan \(PDF\)](#), which includes a chapter on energy. It is also consistent with work that is being done at the regional level. If this topic is of interest to you, you might also wish to read the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission's guide titled [Municipal Management in a Changing Climate \(PDF\)](#).

## **Spotted Lanternfly**

The Spotted Lanternfly (SLF) can damage many plants including fruit and hardwood trees and grapes. SLF can also cause serious damage to yards, open spaces, plant nurseries, tree farms, and vineyards. Visit the [Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's website for more information on the Spotted Lanternfly](#). Also, visit the East Bradford Township Environmental Advisory Council's page on the [Spotted Lanternfly](#).

## **Mosquito Prevention Project**

Mosquitoes are a common nuisance during warm weather, but these pests can sometimes transmit the West Nile Virus and other diseases. View these information sheets prepared by the EAC to learn how you can reduce mosquito breeding this summer: [Summary \(PDF\)](#) and [In-Depth Report \(PDF\)](#).

# Historical Commission

## Meetings

- 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7 pm

This meeting date/time is occasionally rescheduled for holidays and other conflicts, so please check the [calendar](#) for any changes.

## Agendas & Minutes

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## Members

- John Marshall, Chair  
Term expires: December 31, 2025
- Steve Novak  
Term expires: December 31, 2027
- Ann Armstrong  
Term expires: December 31, 2027
- Brett McHugh  
Term expires: December 31, 2026
- Jean Renshaw, Vice Chair  
Term expires: December 31, 2028
- Tom Russo  
Term expires: December 31, 2024
- Brad Roeder  
Term expires: December 31, 2026

## Overview

The Historical Commission consists of seven members who are appointed to five-year terms by the Board of Supervisors. The members donate their time to oversee the Historic Resources Protection Standards of the Township's Zoning Code, which

provides a comprehensive framework for the preservation of historic sites, objects, buildings, structures, and districts in East Bradford Township. The Commission also researches and proposes the nomination of significant resources for placement on the National Register of Historic Places and other appropriate lists or programs. It also reviews and comments on subdivision or land development applications that affect historic resources as well as demolition permits for historic resources. East Bradford Township is a [Certified Local Government \(PDF\)](#) and has been a partner in the Federal preservation program since June 29, 2005.

## **Bylaws**

[Historical Commission Bylaws](#)

## **2005 Historic Resource Survey**

The Historic Resource Survey contains the Pennsylvania Historic Resource Survey Forms for all properties included on the Township's Historic Resources Map. These properties are subject to the Historic Resource Protection Standards in the Township's Zoning Ordinance.

[Methodology](#)

[Book 1 - Survey Forms 1-50](#)

[Book 2 - Survey Forms 51-150](#)

[Book 3 - Survey Forms 151-225](#)

[Additional Properties - Survey Forms \(226-368\)](#)

## **Historic Design Guidelines Project**

On December 14, 2021, the East Bradford Township Board of Supervisors adopted the [the Historic Design Guidelines \(PDF\)](#). The Guidelines are a historic preservation tool to help property owners make informed decisions when altering or restoring historic buildings. View [more information on the Historic Design Guidelines Project](#).

## **Oral History Project**

The Historical Commission completed a monumental project that involved the compilation of 12 oral histories of Township residents. Each history is presented in documentary format. [Learn more](#) about these valued members of our community!

# Trails Committee

## Meetings

- 4th Thursday of every month at 12 noon

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## Members

- Jim Wakefield  
Term expires: December 31, 2024
- Maria Kenny, Chair  
Term expires: December 31, 2024
- Betsey Mehl  
Term expires: December 31, 2024
- Jacob Singer, Vice Chair  
Term expires: December 31, 2024
- John Spangler  
Term expires: December 31, 2024
- Jane Scriptunas  
Term expires: December 31, 2024
- Rebecca Smith  
Term expires: December 31, 2024
- Linda Barchet  
Term expires: December 31, 2024

## Overview

The Trails Committee is an ad hoc committee that works to implement the Township's Trail Plan (contained in the Comprehensive Plan and Open Space, Recreation, and Environmental Resources Plan). Members are appointed annually

for one-year terms. The group also works with landowners to acquire trail easements and participates in volunteer trail construction projects and events. Members of the Committee represent a cross section of trail users (equestrians, hikers, and cyclists).

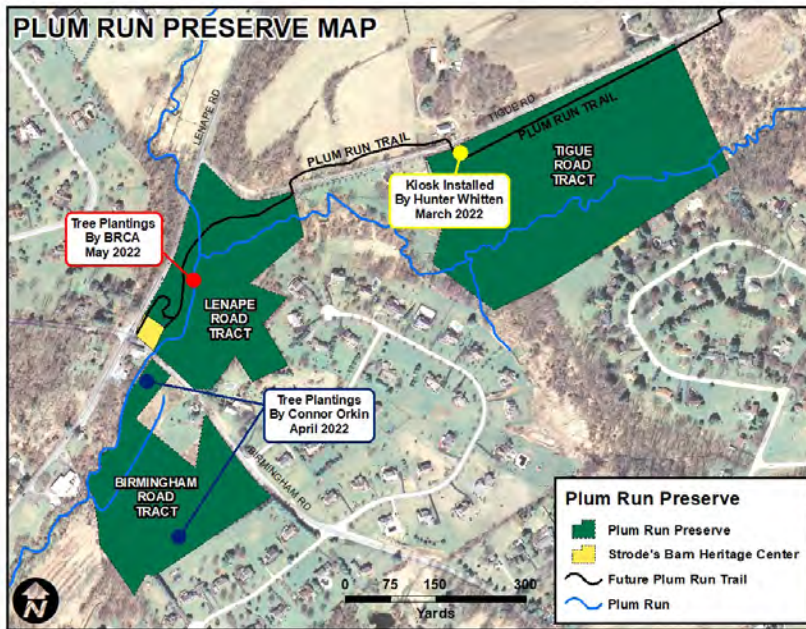
## Contact Us

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Director of Property and Recreation

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## The Volunteer Report

East Bradford residents, scouts, and local supporters alike give generously of themselves and their time to improve the overall quality and appearance of the Township's parks, trails, and open spaces. Spring 2022 saw great volunteerism and many noteworthy contributions:

- In March, Eagle Scout candidate Hunter Whitten completed his Eagle project by constructing and installing a new visitor information kiosk at the Plum Run Preserve trailhead located on Tigie Road. The kiosk stands prominently along the Plum Run Trail where a public parking lot will be installed before the end of the year. Thank you and congratulations to Scout Whitten.
- Also in March, resident Matt Potter led a small crew of volunteers in the installation of a second set of disc golf targets at the Mt. Bradford Preserve frisbee golf course. The new baskets will provide each of the nine holes with an alternative target, adding a new challenge and greater versatility to the course. Thank you, volunteers.
- In April, Eagle Scout candidate Connor Orkin completed his Eagle project by planting 175 native tree seedlings at the Birmingham Road Tract of the Plum Run Preserve. Additionally, Connor directed a volunteer team in the pruning and maintenance of previously planted trees at the site and cleaned up litter along the Plum Run. Thank you, Scout Orkin; the results of your project will benefit the Preserve for many years to come.
- In April and May, Brian Winslow of the Brandywine Red Clay Alliance (BRCA) orchestrated a series of tree planting events along the recently restored banks of the Plum Run at the Lenape Road Tract of the Plum Run Preserve. The restoration site is located behind the historic Strode's Barn structure that will become an outdoor heritage center and trailhead along the Plum Run Trail. Thank you to the BRCA team and all of the volunteers who helped re-plant the riparian buffer along Plum Run.

If you enjoy the outdoors and are interested in receiving email updates on organized volunteer workdays and events, please contact Rich Phifer at [rphifer@eastbradford.org](mailto:rphifer@eastbradford.org) or (610) 436-5108 x108. ●



## Bamboo

At first glance, bamboo seems like the perfect plant to add privacy to your property. It's tall, spreads quickly, and creates a dense screen. Sounds like the perfect plant, right? Beware! Certain types of bamboo are VERY invasive! An invasive plant is one that is not originally from this area and can aggressively take over the landscape, preventing native plants from growing. Wildlife benefit from native plants; unfortunately, very few if any wildlife species benefit from bamboo.

The most invasive types of bamboo are those that spread via "running" roots. This means that the plant sends out roots or rhizomes horizontally underground that sprout up in a new location. Constant maintenance and a root barrier are required to contain running bamboo in a confined location. If you are considering planting bamboo, consider a non-running or clumping variety. Clumping bamboo typically has shorter roots and spreads much more slowly than running bamboo.

Under current Township ordinances, bamboo is not prohibited from being planted, but we want to advise residents that once planted, it is very difficult to contain and/or remove. It can also take over your property. In addition, during winter storm events, bamboo often collapses under the weight of ice and snow, creating hazardous roadway conditions, and the Township is considering an ordinance that would restrict bamboo from being planted along roadways and require property owners to prevent it from interfering with the road.



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- In June, the Township was able to successfully hold the 2023 Trail Blazer Run with the help of 43 volunteers that lent a valuable hand in orchestrating registration, staffing water stations, directing traffic, and marshalling the 5-mile course. Many of the volunteers who made the event possible were Township residents, but there were just as many volunteers who weren't residents but love and use the trails in the Township and wanted to give back to the community. Thank you to everyone that volunteered at the 2023 Trail Blazer Run.
- In June, Ethan Winkelman completed his Eagle Scout project at Harmony Hill Nature Area. Ethan cleaned out the ruins of the former Englamere homesite, once the residence of William and Persis Eades, Benjamin Lippincott, and George Kerr. The home was built by Ziba Gray circa 1825. Ethan's project will benefit the site and the history hikes that take place at the park in the winter months. Thank you for a great project, Ethan.
- In July, the Great Valley Mountain Bike Youth Team volunteered a day at Harmony Hill Nature Area trimming back vegetation along the trails and improving areas with poor drainage. The park and its trails continue to be a great resource for hikers and bikers from all over the area.
- In July, Jack Messaros completed his Eagle Scout project at Mt. Bradford Preserve. Jack constructed and installed two benches that are sure to provide restful accommodation to users of the park. One of the two benches is located at the heights of the meadow, allowing users to enjoy sunset views and the Blackhorse Run stream valley below [reference photo]. The other bench is located near the park's entrance at Sconnelltown Road, oriented so that users can observe the action from the first tee of the park's popular and challenging disc golf course. Thank you, Jack.

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**AUTUMN EVENTS 2023**

**SEP 22** **STARGAZING AT STARR FARM PARK**  
Led by the Chester County Astronomical Society

**SEP 23** **THE 6TH ANNUAL BIKE THE BRANDYWINE**  
A Brandywine Conservancy Event:  
see [www.brandywine.org](http://www.brandywine.org) to register

**OCT 22** **EAST BRADFORD'S AUTUMN FESTIVAL**  
A celebration of the season at East Bradford Park

**NOV 11** **INTRO TO ORIENTEERING AT HARMONY HILL NATURE AREA**  
A Delaware Valley Orienteering Association Event:  
see [www.dvoa.org](http://www.dvoa.org) to register

[www.eastbradford.org](http://www.eastbradford.org)



# Stormwater: True and False

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As a result, several of our homeowners and community associations have had to spend well into the six-figure range to make necessary repairs to deteriorating stormwater facilities that could have been identified by periodic inspections throughout the life of the system and likely repaired at a much lower cost than what was ultimately incurred. Waiting until something “goes wrong” is almost always far too late, and many things have “gone wrong” as a result of the excessive rainfalls of 2017 to 2019, coupled with several subsequent large storms.

Fortunately, our more modern development community documents require periodic inspections of stormwater facilities to be undertaken and submitted to the Township for review, with necessary repairs identified in the inspection to be completed within one year of the inspection date to allow time for the owner to acquire funding, designs, contractors, etc. Unfortunately, many of our older community documents simply state that the community association “is responsible for perpetual maintenance and upkeep of the stormwater management facilities” with no other guidance.

If you or your association are the owner of a stormwater management facility/system with little to no guidance in your approval documents for maintenance, please consider instituting the following general course of action to allow for proper upkeep of the system without incurring a massive expenditure in the future when repairs are not possible, and replacement is necessary:

- 1.** Create an inspection and maintenance fund in your yearly budgets to cover the cost of inspections and anticipated maintenance costs to avoid large, special assessments that may be needed as a result of the inspections.
- 2.** Create a periodic inspection program for all facilities. Every two to three years is most common in our modern developments.
- 3.** Hire a qualified consultant to conduct the periodic inspections and recommend necessary repairs/replacement of facilities. The consultant should be thoroughly versed in stormwater management facility design and construction and should be someone that can be held liable for

errors and omissions. A professional engineer licensed in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with such expertise is strongly recommended.

- 4.** Correct all deficiencies noted in the inspection report within one year of the date of the report. In a community, this may require a special assessment to generate funding for the design of any repairs, the construction of the repairs, inspection services during construction, etc.
- 5.** Revise the inspection and maintenance fund based on the experience of Item 4, or as recommended by your consultant.

As you may have noted, the Township does not need to have much involvement in this process, nor should the Township be instructing a community association or individual on what should be done to remedy a problem. While the Township can provide some guidance on how to execute Items 1 through 5, the specific directions on inspection, maintenance, and repairs should be as recommended by a private consultant employed by the owner. ●

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- On October 22, the Township’s popular Autumn Festival returned to East Bradford Park. Seasonal decorations were generously donated to the event by local farmers Sonny Hicks, Brian Hicks, and Juan Medina, including pumpkins and gourds that were gifted free to kids and their families. Parks and Recreation Board member, Marianne Bausinger, volunteered time setting up the decorations for the event. Thanks to all that had a hand in making the Autumn Festival successful and a lot of fun for the community.

- In November, Ajay Anne completed his Eagle Scout project at Mt. Bradford Preserve. Ajay planted over one hundred native tree seedlings in an effort to begin converting several acres of old field area into a healthy and ecologically bountiful woodland. Among the types of trees planted were scarlet oak, red oak, silver maple, hornbeam, gray dogwood, and persimmon. Thank you for a great project, Ajay.
- In November, Mary Frank of the Delaware Valley Orienteering Association returned to Harmony Hill Nature Area to lead another annual offering of the popular “Introduction to Orienteering” event. Mary’s passion



for the sport of orienteering and seemingly tireless volunteerism in teaching the rules of the sport not only make it fun for all participants, but also provides inspiration to those that are lucky enough to spend time with her – thank you, Mary.

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YOU ARE  
CORDIALLY  
INVITED TO THE  
ANNUAL

EAST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP

# VOLUNTEER DINNER

THURSDAY

26

OCTOBER

Please RSVP by  
October 15th to  
Mandie Cantlin

STARTS AT 6 PM



West Chester Golf  
& Country Club

111 West Ashbridge Street  
West Chester, PA 19380

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610-436-5108 ext. 101

If you are bringing a  
guest, please provide  
their full name.



## Happy New Year!

### Let's Resolve To Be Trash Smart

Patti Lynn, Chester County Recycling Resources Manager

What does it mean to be Trash Smart? It means to be more thoughtful and engaged in how you manage solid waste in your everyday life. It is behavior. If you buy that new thing, what will you do with the old thing? How can you stop wasting food? What does "away" mean when we throw stuff away? This Trash Smart series will address different household waste streams, and today we start with recycling.

We make about 30,000 decisions in a day. If we consistently make the right decisions about recycling, then recycling right becomes a good habit, and your mind can focus on other decisions. How can you recycle right?

- 1.** Go to your municipal resources or your private recycling hauler and print out the list of acceptable and unacceptable materials for recycling where you live (East Bradford's Information Sheet is on page 11). Post that list in a spot near your recycling container so you know what to do with different items.
- 2.** Yes, plastic is confusing. At least know that you should be recycling plastic bottles that have a neck (think water, milk, juice, detergent). It's the other plastic containers that give us a headache. If in doubt, check it out. Not everything can be recycled!
- 3.** The following items are universally NOT accepted in your recycling bins: Batteries, food waste, plastic bags, hangers, wire, diapers, scrap metal. Look at your list! And throw away anything smaller than a credit card; this includes bottle caps.

To sum it up, get your local recycling list and post it up. Focus on what is acceptable. Empty, clean, dry, and loose materials (not bagged; but paper bags for paper are OK). It's not hard - it's Trash Smart! ●

## New Canoe Launch Celebrated

A press event took place at Shaw's Bridge Park in early September to recognize the completion of a new canoe launch that provides improved recreational access to the Brandywine Creek. The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission helped to fund construction of the launch through the Statewide Public Access Grant Program. The Commission's Executive Director, Tim Schaeffer, along with Senator Carolyn Comitta,



Representative Chris Pielli, and Supervisor John Snook were present to highlight the benefits of the project and to recognize other funding partners that included the Brandywine Conservancy, Natural Lands, and PECO. Additional contributors including the Brandywine Red Clay Alliance and local Eagle Scout Adam Pontzer were also recognized. The new canoe launch is the first branded trailhead on what is to become a formalized Brandywine Creek Water Trail and will promote water safety for the public, reduce streambank erosion, and accommodate increased demand for recreational water access to the Brandywine during the summer season. ●

## Zoning Hearing Board Volunteer Needed

We still have a vacancy on our Zoning Hearing Board - it is an "alternate" position.

The Zoning Hearing Board consists of three members, with two alternates, appointed by the Board of Supervisors for three-year terms. The main purpose of the Zoning Hearing Board is to ensure fair and equitable application and administration of the Zoning Ordinance by hearing appeals from decisions of the Zoning Officer and by granting relief from the enforcement of the ordinance in certain hardship situations. The Board has no legislative power; it can neither make nor modify zoning policy and it does not have enforcement powers. It is a quasi-judicial body; that is, its powers are to some extent judicial in nature.

The Board schedules hearings on applications and appeals that come before it, takes evidence, and issues written decisions with findings of fact and conclusions of law. Decisions of the Zoning Hearing Board are final and cannot be overruled by the Board of Supervisors.

However, both the applicant and the Board of Supervisors have the right to appeal the decision to the Chester County Court of Common Pleas. The Board's activities are limited to those permitted by the Municipalities Planning Code and the East Bradford Township Zoning Ordinance.

Zoning Hearing Board positions are particularly suitable for residents with legal experience. If you or anyone you know might be interested in this role, contact Mandie Cantlin at [mcantlin@eastbradford.org](mailto:mcantlin@eastbradford.org) or (610) 436-5108 x101.

## Mandie Cantlin

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**From:** Mandie Cantlin  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 10:51 AM  
**Subject:** Monthly Eyes and Ears Report

Good morning –

Some months are relatively quiet, and others have lots of updates. This month's update falls in the latter category! Feel free to pass along and let me know if you have questions.

### ABCs / Meetings

- Board of Supervisors Spring/Summer Schedule - For a variety of reasons (e.g. availability, holidays, Trail Blazer Run), the Board's regular meetings for April-July will take place on the second Thursday (as opposed to the first). Here's the full schedule:
  - April – The regular meeting will take place on April 11 instead of April 4.
  - May – The regular meeting will take place on May 9 instead of May 2.
  - June – The regular meeting will take place on June 13 instead of June 6.
  - July – The regular meeting will take place on July 11 instead of July 4.

### Subdivision / Land Development

- SD #657 Holy Ascension Church - A [Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan](#) showing the construction of a new church with a 6,347 square foot footprint, a social hall with a 5,186 square foot footprint, and an expanded parking lot with a total of 95 parking spaces has been submitted. The two existing lots will be merged into one lot. The existing church will remain and is proposed to be used for administrative offices. The existing and proposed buildings will be connected into the existing public sewer system. The Planning Commission is expected to commence the review process this month. Professional reviews will be posted on the [website](#) as they are submitted. You can follow the [agendas](#) for the Planning Commission if you're interested in learning more about the proposal.

### Planning

- Brandywine Flood Study - In response to more frequent and extreme flooding events impacting communities along the Brandywine Creek in both Pennsylvania and Delaware, the Brandywine Conservancy launched a Brandywine Flood Study. Conducted in partnership with the Chester County Water Resources Authority (CCWRA) and the University of Delaware Water Resources Center (UDWRC), the flood study is a coordinated effort to better understand where and why flooding occurs and identify the best approaches to protect our communities from future severe flooding events. More information is available at <https://www.brandywine.org/conservancy/brandywine-flood-study>. The recording of the last public meeting is available at <https://vimeo.com/912367593?share=copy>.
- Watersheds - Chester County has a new County-wide integrated water resources plan, Watersheds 2045. The original Watersheds plan, released in 2002, guided two decades of work to protect and enhance streams, lakes, and groundwater. The new plan was adopted by the County Commissioners on January 24, 2024, and can be accessed at <https://www.chesco.org/4275/Chester-County-Watersheds-2045>

### Zoning / Building / Codes / Legislation

- Election Signage - During this month's meeting, the Board agreed to modify our approach to election signage on Township properties. In the recent past, the Township's practice has been to remove election signs that are placed on the frontage of Township lands. However, after discussion this month, the Board agreed to allow

election signage to be placed in the right-of-way on Township lands within the defined election season (30 days prior; 5 days after). That said, if signs are placed in open, mowed areas, they can/will be removed by the Township when grass is maintained.

- Zoning Ordinance Amendment - The Planning Commission's work on the code update continues. Sections of focus at the moment include alternative energy, environmental regulations, the Planned University District, bed and breakfast use, and special event use. Working drafts are available on the [website](#).
- Misc. Ordinance Amendment - We are also working on a misc. ordinance amendment that would implement truck restrictions on various roads, increase the speed limit on Skelp Level Road, update parks/trails regulations, and a few other misc. tweaks.

## Parks / Trails / Recreation / Open Space

- Plum Run Corridor / Strode's Barn - Bids for the barn restoration work are due next week and the Board is expected to consider the submissions when they meet on April 11. In addition, you may notice some earth moving near the barn as Public Works makes room for the scaffolding that will be needed to work on the barn.
- Trail Blazer Run - The 2024 Trail Blazer Run offers a 5 Mile Run, a 5K Run, and a 1.5 Mile Fun Run on Thursday, June 6th, 2024 at CCWA Paradise Farm Camps. Discounted online pre-registration is now open on [Run the Day](#), and on-site race day registration will open at 5:00 pm on June 6th. All three events will start at 6:00 pm on June 6th. Visit the [Trail Blazer Run page](#) for more information.
- Field Use - We were hoping we'd be able to open up use of some of the sports fields in mid-March, but it's been too wet. So, fields will open on April 1.

## Public Works / Roads / Facilities

- Skelp Level Road Bridge - We received an update on the East Caln project recently. They anticipate that work will start in June/July and that the bridge will be closed for about 6 months.
- PennDOT Road Counts - PennDOT distributed information about its annual road counts to municipalities. Four roads are slated for counting in East Bradford (Dunmore, Shadow Farm, Centennial, Harmony Circle).
- PECO Work – The tree work on Creek Road has received a lot of attention, and with good reason. We are still working to try to get PECO to clean up the site. The clearing in this location was particularly extensive because there will be a new line of poles installed in this location. This is one of several PECO projects slated for this year. Projects include:
  - Creek Road – Vegetation removal and new poles (Now)
  - Miner and Scanneltown – Vegetation removal and new poles (March-June)
  - Guthrie Road – Vegetation removal and new poles (May)
  - M. John Johnson Nature Center – Vegetation removal (TBD)
  - Connor Road – Gas line (April)
  - Harmony Hill Road – Gas line (TBD)

We are working with PECO to try to get a comprehensive list/map that we can share. As soon as we have that finalized, we will post it on the website.

## Public Services / Stormwater

- Sustainability Summit for HOAs - With interest in sustainability growing, the Chester County Planning Commission is hosting a Sustainability Summit for HOAs to highlight HOAs who are leading the charge to make their communities greener and to share information and resources on relevant sustainable practices. If you live in a community, please share this event with HOA representatives. Register to attend in person or virtually: <https://www.eventcreate.com/e/hoa-summit>
- Refuse and Recycling Contract – In light of recent service issues, Township staff met with representatives of A.J. Blosenski and Waste Connections last week. Some of the recent challenges and missed collections are due to widespread changes to residential routes throughout the region. As a result of this transition, East Bradford has new drivers who are learning the new routes. As you can imagine, the customer call volume is particularly high

because of this route transition; many callers are not able to get through to the company to tell them they were missed or address other service issues. If your regular collection of trash or recycling is missed, or you have other concerns, particularly during this next transition period, please report your issue to the Township either via [this reporting form](#), by calling 610-436-5108 ext106, or by emailing [info@eastbradford.org](mailto:info@eastbradford.org). We can assist in getting information to the hauler in a timely fashion.

- Art Scholarship – East Bradford artist Barbie Johnson and East Bradford Township are again partnering to offer an art scholarship to high school seniors that live in East Bradford Township. The scholarship provides \$1,000 to seniors who will be enrolled as an art major (including art education) in college or attending an art school in the Fall of 2024. Interested students should submit the [Application Form](#), along with up to five samples of work, to me ([mcantlin@eastbradford.org](mailto:mcantlin@eastbradford.org)). The application deadline is May 3, 2024.
- Social Media - Jill has spent some time this past month getting the Township on Instagram. You can now follow us there at @EastBradfordTwp (not @EastbradfordTownship... that is an account unaffiliated with us).

### Misc.

- Zoning & Codes Enforcement Officer – At the end of March, Ayman Shehata joined our staff as the new Zoning and Codes Enforcement Officer. The Board is slated to officially appoint him in April. As he transitions into that role, Andrea’s role will shift to Assistant Township Manager / Director of Planning and Zoning.

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Township Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 7:30 am to 4:00 pm

Friday: 7:30 am to 12:30 pm

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# ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND RELEASE

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The undersigned has freely offered, on a voluntary basis, his/her services to assist in connection with park maintenance being conducted by East Bradford Township on East Bradford Township park land, open space, and/or trails. The undersigned specifically acknowledges that he/she is a volunteer and not an employee or subcontractor of East Bradford Township. The undersigned further acknowledges that certain dangers and risks are inherent in connection with the contemplated volunteer services. The undersigned understands that he/she is not eligible for Workers' Compensation coverage or any other benefit from the Township. The undersigned does hereby release and forever discharge East Bradford Township and its officials and employees from any and all claims, demands or causes of action heretofore or hereafter arising or relating to his/her involvement in connection with or any damage or injury that may occur in connection with the undersigned providing volunteer services in connection with the East Bradford Township.

The undersigned does hereby knowingly, voluntarily, intelligently, and willingly execute this Release as of this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Print name)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Signature)

**If participant is a minor (under the age of 18)**, a parent or legal guardian must sign the above form. Please provide name of minor: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to receive periodic updates about \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (name(s) of park/preserve/trail) (please print neatly):

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_