

Guilford Township

Spring 2019

A spring greeting from the Supervisors and staff of Guilford Township. It has been an interesting winter of small annoying storms of snow, ice sleet and freezing rain. We are grateful for our road crew that no matter what time of day or night they get the call they are punctual to get to the maintenance building and in their trucks to get on the roads with plows and salt.

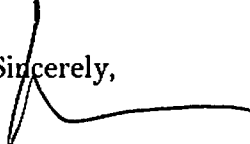
We are not sure about Punxsutawney Phil and his early spring prediction, however we certainly are anxiously awaiting the warm sights of spring, when the trees and flowers begin to bloom and bud, and the yards return to their beautiful deep green allure.

Spring cleanup of fallen branches from the wind and snow of winter is upon us and the buzzing of lawn mowers will soon be heard throughout the neighborhoods. A reminder that tree limbs and brush may be dropped off at the Township maintenance facility located at 4480 Guilford Springs Road. Drop offs are accepted Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The grass clippings that you will soon be collecting may be dropped off at our friend Wade Benedict's farm located at 4100 Spring Road. We truly appreciate the partnership we have with Mr. Benedict. Our leaves and grass clippings are mixed with his animal waste and composted to create a very usable product that is a stable nutrient applied to his farmland. Drop offs are accepted Monday through Saturday at his farm.

The waters of the Commonwealth is a top concern of both state and federal regulating agencies. Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) is a term that we will all be hearing much about for a long time to come. The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) with pressure from Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is mandating massive "clean up" projects costing each municipality across the Commonwealth millions of dollars. We are currently working on our first five-year cycle, which requires 10% reduction in sediment and nutrient from our urban area to the Conococheague Creek. More information and education on this topic will be forthcoming in future publications.

We are gearing up for our 2019 season at Norlo Park. Last season was another phenomenal year of reservations and recreational uses. It is so refreshing to stop by the park on any given day and see it bustling with activity from individuals of all ages.

Join us in making 2019 another great year

Sincerely,


Don Clapper
Chairman