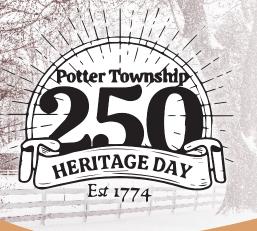
#### The Official Newsletter of Potter Township Anniversary Edition



# POTTER Township

Velcome to ur Community!



We are excited to provide our citizens with this informational guide created exclusively for our beautiful community.

Folders are distributed to new residents and property owners as a community outreach. The folders are perfect for establishing communication and providing a permanent reference guide.

Information about our community as well as advertisements from local businesses are included in the folders.

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These advertisements introduce residents to businesses and encourage consumers to shop locally, as well as establish new relationships and strengthen current associations with our residents.

To obtain a folder full of information, please contact us by calling our office at 814-364-9176 or send us an email at: secretary@pottertownship.org

If you are new to Penns Valley, stop by our office and say hello! We would love to meet you, answer any questions you may have and welcome you to our wonderful community!

Discover Potter Township A Legacy Worth Exploring!

Step into the charm and history of Potter Township, where stories of the past come alive and community spirit thrives. Nestled in the heart of Potter Township is a blend of stunning landscapes, rich heritage, and timeless traditions.

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#### 1764 The Discovery

Between the years of 1759 and 1764, Captain James Potter and his companion, Thompson, reached the top of Nittany

Mountain and looked out over the prairies in force below. He cried "by heavens Thompson, I have discovered an empire!"

Some years later, in May 1774 his empire became reality. Potter Township was incorporated into Centre County, and at that time embraced all of Penns Valley.



In July 6, 1754, a treaty was signed between the descendants of William Penn and the six nations for some land west of the Susquehanna River. The purchase line began north of the Juniata River to 1 mile north of the Karoondinha

stream (later named Penns Creek). It ran west and northwest to the northern border of the province.

The Indians of the six nations believed they were selling only the waters of the Juniata River. Realizing they had given up much more, they decided to join with the French and began driving the white settlers from their western lands. In hopes to quell the raids, a new treaty was drawn upon October 23, 1758.

Research has led historians to believe the Indians had residence where we live today. But Potter Township was a crossroads for them between & beyond in Nittany Mountain, as well as between & beyond the Susquehanna River in the western mountains.



One of the most well-known residents of Potter Township at one time, he was an avid farmer and proponent of the principals for the organization known as the Patrons of Hushandry or The Grange. He was so convinced that The Grange would be heneficial to farmers that he was instrumental in establishing the first Grange in Centre County and in its cepansion statewide. Today, he is best known as the founder of the Centre County Fair known today as the Great Grange Fair or "Town of Tents", one of the last, if not the last, tenting fairs in the United States.

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**1773 Old Fort** Originally called Potter's Fort, or the Upper Fort of Penns Valley, Old Fort had one of the earliest buildings in Potter Township. A log structure was erected by General James Potter close to a nearby spring in 1773. The structure was fortified with a log stockade in 1777, which became a shelter where nearby settlers could seek safety during Indian raids. Eventually, General Potter's Fort was used as a tavern. In the early 1820s, a new stone hotel and tavern was built by General Potter's grandsons a short distance away from the stockade. There is no existing evidence as to where Potter's Fort stood.

### 1778 Potters Mills

(originally known as Potters Bank) In 1788, upon returning to Penns Valley, General James Potter built a log home several miles south of his original location at Potters Fort. However, he was seriously injured in the summer of 1789 and died on November 27, 1789. He died owning 6,000 acres in Penns Valley as well as landholdings in other locations within the state. His son James received the land at Potters Mills and opened a general store in 1790, followed by various mills and businesses, which he ran until the time of his death in 1818. Two grandsons assumed management and expanded the family's holdings by building additional mills, businesses and two hotels. The first hotel

was built at the intersection of two major thoroughfares, today it's known as the Eutaw House. The second hotel was erected at the Old Fort location. Potters Mills had the only tworoom schoolhouse in Potter Township, which closed in 1956. Today, the school building houses a business.



### 1778 Stanford Homestead

Despite losing the Revolutionary War, the British were determined yet to create and cause chaos. Since the frontiersmen provided a great amount of food and supplies to colonial soldiers, harassment and killings by the Indians were encouraged and compensated by the British. In May 1778, a home built close to the Indian path that Captain Potter and his companion took all those years ago was attacked by Indians. Jacob Stanford, his wife and daughter, were murdered while his son kidnapped. Subsequently, settlers abandoned the township in search of safe haven and what is called "The Great Runaway".

#### 1778 Van Doran & Shadecre Monument Along Route 45, just

a mile east of Old Fort, there is a gravel road called Indian Lane. Down this lane is one of Potter Township's most unique historical landmarks. Shaped in the form of a tree stump, it has an inscription engraved upon it that preserves the memory of the men that died in July of 1778. After James Potter's pleas for troops, a regiment commanded by Captain Finley arrived to provide protection. Unfortunately tragedy struck once again on July 24 of the same year. Two soldiers, Jacob Shadecre and Thomas Van Doran were guarding reapers harvesting grain in a field near Potter's Fort. They were attacked by five Indians, subsequently killing three before their death. Van Doran was shot, and Jacob Shadecre managed to kill one of the Indians. He was shot by another and subsequently died. This devastating event has been preserved in many historical records and is one of Potter Township's links to the Revolutionary War and the hardships endured by all living during that period so fraught with danger.

**1795 Earlystown** Earlystown is located one mile west of Old Fort. William Earley, Esq., for whom the village was named, laid out plans for a town in 1795. For several years the village was a stagecoach stop, had a hotel, a sawmill, and a post office. When new roads were built from Sunbury and Lewistown, which bypassed Earlystown, Mr. Earley's dream was lost. Today, Earlystown consists of a few farms, a mobile home park and several businesses.

### **1797 Tusseyville** (originally known as Churchville) In 1797, William and Barbara Earley

deeded a parcel of land to a group of German settlers to be used for a church. The Lutheran and German Reformed Congregations Church was founded in 1805. The original church was converted into a schoolhouse when the Lutheran-Reformed Congregations built a new church. Today, the church still serves two congregations, The Lutheran and United Church of Christ, one of the few remaining "union" churches. A short distance from the first church, an Evangelical Association congregation was formed. Originally called Churchville, the post office changed the town's name to Tusseyville in 1878. By 1833, Tusseyville had a general store which closed in 1955, and a schoolhouse. Today, only the churches and homes remain.

#### 1805 Centre Hill Centre Hill is one of the earliest settlements in Potter Township, a village located between Potters

Mills and Old Fort, with recorded reference to the

village in 1805. By the 1860s, a tavern, mercantile business, blacksmith shop and a stone quarry operated at the edge of the village. Centre Hill School had established in 1870 but was sold in 1956 and remodeled into a home. It also had a post office which operated from 1847 until 1903. The Sinking Creek Cemetery



has approximately 40 marked graves, the oldest is dated 1801. Buried here are a few descendants of General James Potter. The cemetery and the school, today a residence, are the only remaining landmarks from those early days.

### 1813 Plum Grove Plum Grove was the location

of a school by that name. According to John Blair Linn's "History of Centre and Clinton County", the earliest record of a teacher was in 1813, a Mr. James Hall. The school has been removed, but a small cemetery located across the road from the former school site remains. Plum Grove is about one and a half miles east of Centre Hall on what is now Middle Road.

#### 1824 Eutaw House

The Eutaw House was built in 1824 on the estate of General James Potter. Nestled at the intersection of two major thoroughfares, the

hotel thrived, catering to upper-class travelers. It is rumored that in 1839, Edgar Allan Poe spent several nights at the Eutaw House while visiting family who lived in Poe Valley and penned his most famous poem "The Raven" about his undying love for a young local woman that Poe had met during his stay here.



1824 Red Mill Red Mill received its name from the landmark mill erected by Christian Keller in 1824. Although there were mills in the area since 1773, it was only when Mr. Keller built a mill and painted it red that the area became known as "Red Mill." Unfortunately, the mill was destroyed by fire.

### **1825 Andrew Gregg Homestead** Built in 1825 by Andrew Gregg Jr, the home is a 2 story, L-shaped,

limestone structure with excellent design and craftsmanship of its local builders. Not only is the home elegant and idyllic amongst the greenery, but it also has a fascinating history in political legacy beginning with his father, and descendants.

**1830 Sprucetown** No one knows how the hamlet of Sprucetown got its name. It lies between Potters Mills and Centre Hill on Upper Georges Valley Road, consisting of a Methodist Church, founded in 1830, and less than a dozen homes.

### **1860 Egg Hill Church** Egg Hill Church, one of the oldest churches still standing, was built in 1860 and closed in

1927. During the late 1860s, a schoolhouse was built across the road from the church but was destroyed by fire in 1915. Each year, an annual homecoming service is held for local residents.



Egg Hill was settled by German immigrants. The name of this small mountain that separates Upper and Lower Georges Valley is often thought to be based on the fact that it is somewhat egg shaped. However, according to Clarence Musser (born 1884) in a 1971 interview with

author Jeffrey R. Frazier, the first settlers here found so many wild turkey nests filled with turkey eggs on the mountain top and mountain sides that they decided Egg Hill was the best title for this iconic landmark.

### **1874 Grange Fairgrounds** The year 2024 marked the 150th Anniversary of the Great Grange Fair, the nation's

most unique county fair. And it all started in 1874 with a "Pic-Nik". Local farmer and agricultural activist, Leonard Rhone, suggested a "Pic-Nik" to tell folks about the new Patrons of Husbandry and the local Granges that were being chartered. Held at Leech's Woods off Brush Valley Road, over 3,000 attended that September day. The "Pic-Nik" was repeated annually, moving to the Centre County Fair Grounds outside of Bellefonte, Penn State College's Hort Woods, Old Fort and Centre Hall Mountain. Expanding beyond a one-day event, folks brought tents

to stay overnight. In

1887, Rhone borrowed 50 tents from the National Guard and rented them to attendees. In 1890, the need for a permanent site for the "Pic-Nik" resulted in the purchase of 26 acres of ground on the west side of Centre Hall. Additional ground was purchased over the years, and today, the Fair



Grounds consists of 264 acres. This vast amount of land accommodates over 200,000 attendees, 1,000 tents, 1,500 RVs, 324 Concessions, 2 amusement ride vendors, and over 7,000 items on exhibit. Three permanent stage venues are placed throughout the grounds, including The Grandstand, that have showcased nationally recognized entertainers every year, as well as East Coast's premier Equine Facility. Leonard Rhone went on to serve as the President of the Pennsylvania State Grange for 18 years and spent a decade on the National Grange's Executive Committee and appeared before Congress to advocate for the creation of Rural Free Mail Delivery. He was instrumental in many legislative initiatives, including raising the Commissioner of Agriculture to a cabinet rank, and the regulation of the railroads. He fought for education, training for agriculture careers, and was elected to the State Legislature as a Democrat for two terms. He had begun several cooperatives at Progress Grange including Milk & Butter, Telephone, Equipment & Seed and Electricity. He remained active on the Committee for the "Pic-Nik" until his death in 1917. He rests in the Reformed & Lutheran Cemetery in Centre Hall. Forever remembered as "one of nature's noblemen".

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**1910 Neff Round Barn** The Neff round barn was raised in 1910, designed by Calvin R. Neff and built by local carpenter Aaron Thomas. The building signifies evolution and experimentation in building types used in agriculture production, showcasing native ingenuity and craftsmanship.

Mr. Neff had become a farmer on the land his father once owned after retiring from teaching in Penns Valley. To reduce the labor necessary in a farming

operation, he reflected on a time in 1892. On a trip to St. Louis after completing college, he recalled the round barns he saw from the train window. Inspired by this memory, he began drafting the structure and its interior arrangement. Despite Mr. Neff and Mr. Thomas never observing the inside an actual round barn, their efforts resulted in a practical and successful dairy barn of novel design.

Today, the "Red Round Barn" still stands at 56 feet in height and 88 feet in diameter. The structure is sound inside and out and is now used for storage of hay and farming equipment. Due to the size, the red paint and white trim, and visibility from Route 45, the Neff Round Barn is one of Centre County's best known rural landmarks.



### **1931 James Cleveland Trail And Memorial** Jimmy Cleveland was an Air Mail Pilot until his plane crashed atop Nittany Mountain on May 24, 1931. In the summer of 1971, Boy Scout Troops from Centre Hall and Pleasant Gap made trails from both sides of Nittany Mountain to the location where the tragedy occurred. The Cleveland Family erected a monument at the crash site, with a dedication

held on May 28, 1972.

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### Sprucetown United Methodist Church

to James Sankey, John Turner Sr., and Daniel Livingston, trustees. The Rev. Houghawont presided at the dedication. The old church was torn down in 1872 and the present structure was built at a cost of \$4,200.00.

In 1968 it was discovered that the foundation of the church was in poor condition and necessary repairs were made along with updates to the downstairs. Further renovations were made starting in 1979 to include water, remodeled kitchen and concreted floor, paneling, installation of the sound system, bathroom facilities, new ceiling tile, and arch behind the altar. Rev. Jeff Mugridge dedicated the new steeple in 2003. The entrance now features a locally crafted stained-glass transom window.



In March of 2020 the world shut down in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Everything we knew and took for granted stopped, including our weekly worship. We had to find new ways to do old things including how to worship and praise God together. Sprucetown had a new website developed in 2019 and a webmaster with audio/video production experience.

Pastor Theresa Heiser used her broadcasting expertise to offer online worship that included a phone-in option. The pastor began mailing out a weekly letter and that Sunday's bulletin to the congregants who did not have access to the internet. A practice she continues to this day. Sprucetown's first online service was held March 15, 2020 at 9:45am with 50 people in attendance. In April 2021 Sprucetown Church was connected to the internet, updating to broadband in March 2022. As churches reopened and worship habits evolved. we found online worship to be a blessing, especially for folks who are ill or traveling. Recordings are uploaded to YouTube and enjoyed during the week by viewers as far away as California!

To serve those who have no technology at all, Sermon by Phone service was offered starting in October of 2020 allowing folks to call local phone number 814-422-6238 to hear the latest message 24/7.

Scripture tells us that God is always doing something new and we are the hands and feet of Christ that adapt to the times while not wavering from Spirit led Truth. We love being part of the Potter Township community and invite you to worship with us Sunday mornings at 11am. Visit PennsValleyParish.info to learn more about our church family and events.

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congregation which worships in this edifice, was organized (in) 1830 and held their first meetings in a building on the Sankey farm near by." "Henry P. Sankey...studied a term at Williamsport Academy under the presidency of Dr. Bowman, now one of the Bishops of the M. E. church." [Source: 1894 Publication of History A Passing Glance at Penns Valley by Rev. Ralph Walshaw Illingworth, who was serving at the time of writing.]

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It's interesting to know that several Sankeys were part of a class organized near Centre Hall in 1814 by Robert Pennington "The Father of Penn's Valley Methodism" and it is believed that Francis Asbury himself sent David Cooms, a circuit rider, to look up the Penningtons.

The first church was erected in 1842 on the tract of land deeded from James and Susan Potter and John and Amelia Potter

### FUN FACTS

**BRUSH VALLEY:** The name given to this small valley between Nittany and Brush Mountains was so named by early settlers since, according to John Blair Linn's History of Centre and Clinton Counties (page 350), they found that "in many parts of it there was the finest timber of white oak, white pine, hemlock, hickory, maple, and walnut, while in other sections there was a dense brushwood of crab-apple, thorn, and hazel. Hence the name Brush Valley."

**LEONARD RHONE:** One of the most well-known residents of Potter Township at one time, he was an avid farmer and proponent of the principals of the organization known as the Patrons of Husbandry or The Grange. He was so convinced that The Grange would be so beneficial to farmers that he was instrumental in establishing the first Grange in Centre County and in its expansion statewide. However, he is best known today as the founder of the Centre County Fair known today as the Great Grange Fair or "Town of Tents", one of the last, if not the last, tenting fairs in the United States.

**BENNIE'S TOWERS:** Hikers trekking along the top of Nittany Mountain often come upon several large stone towers, one at least twelve feet in height, that look down upon the village of Centre Hall to the south. Often perplexed as to who built them, the adventurers sometimes inquire of the town's residents if Indians were the architects. The origins of the iconic constructs have been largely forgotten today, but a few local historians who looked into the matter have learned that the towers were not of Native American construction. They were instead built by local Boy Scouts under the auspices of local scoutmaster Ernest J. Wagner (born 1910) who decided it was a way to keep his scouts engaged and provide an outlet for their boundless energy. The towers may no longer be standing, but if they are they preserve a memory of a unique period in Township history.

HARVEY FLINK: He was local substitute schoolteacher and taught classes at many Potter Township schools, including the Tusseyville, Tussey Sink, Cold Springs, and Mountain schoolhouses. He was also an assistant Scoutmaster, who, along with Scoutmaster Ernest J. Wagner and his Boy Scouts, created some iconic landmarks on Nittany Mountain above Centre Hall. However, he can also be called Centre Hall's "poet laureate" having had some notable success with his poems. His book of poetry titled "A Mellow Horn" led to national recognition of his talents.

**EARLYSTOWN:** Those traveling Route 45 west toward Boalsburg from Old Fort will note that this stretch of road is also called the "Earleystown Road". First-time travelers through here no doubt expect to come to a village by that name at some point, but they are always bound to be disappointed. There once was a tiny village called Earleystown, also once referred to as Earleysburg, located along this stretch, but today none if its original buildings remain and their original locations are unknown. As a result the village legitimately qualifies as one of Potter Township's ghost towns. On the other hand, historical accounts confirm that this little village once existed and was named for its founder.

Those records indicate that in 1795 William Earley, who owned several hundred acres about a mile west of Old Fort, laid out a town site here, which was along the road from Sunbury around Nittany Mountain to Bellefonte. There were at least seven other buildings here besides Earley's farmhouse, including a hotel which became a stage-stop for the Sunbury stage. Earley became a justice of the peace for the area, and it is said he was noted for signing affidavits presented to him with the notation "in the presence of God and Judge Potter"! JAMES CLEVELAND: Hikers who like to explore old Mount Nittany have more than likely trekked the James Cleveland Trail. A sign at the southern end of the trail can be seen along the Brush Valley Road, present day Route 192, two miles east of Centre Hall. Following the farm lane here leads to a two-mile blue-blazed trail, and its steep rocky slope comes out on top of Mount Nittany at the James Cleveland memorial site. Here you will find a stone marker commemorating the crash site of early airmail pilot James Cleveland, who died here in a plane crash on May 24th, 1931. Here also are displayed parts of the plane's wreckage.

Cleveland was only 26 when he died, but he, along with other trailblazing pilots, formed the vanguard of the early airmail service. This air mail route over Nittany Mountain was called the "Hell Stretch" by its brave navigators because so many plane crashes occurred here. Pilots, in their open cockpit biplanes, tried to push on through terrible weather and climb over the mountain peak, even though their navigational equipment was less than reliable and their engines were not powerful enough to safely surmount the heights in inclement weather. Cleveland gambled and lost that day in May, defeated by a post-winter flurry of snow and freezing rain that caused an ice buildup on the plane's wings. He missed clearing the mountain top by a matter of inches, but his fuel tank caught fire as a result of the crash, burning up the mail and Cleveland too.

The monument at the crash site preserves his memory, and his name lives on as the last victim of Nittany Mountain's Hell Stretch. As an interesting side note, those growing up in Centre Hall during the late 1940s and early 1950s may recall seeing, when night fell, the rotating beam of a large beacon light on the top of Mount Nittany. It has since been removed, but was originally placed there by the air mail service as an air mail beacon to warn pilots that they were approaching the mountain top.

**THE ROUND RED BARN:** Probably the most well-known landmark in all of Potter Township is the iconic round red barn with its bold white trim along Route 45 two miles west of the Old Fort intersection. Erected during the summer of 1910 by local farmer and former schoolteacher Calvin R. Neff, it was a unique structure, the first of its kind in the area, and, as such, it drew some skeptical comments from those who doubted its utility. However, its interior design of concentric circles on two levels provided labor and space-saving advantages that could not be denied, and two others were eventually built in the valley as well.

Lumber for the barn was cut from a tract of virgin white pine on Tussey Mountain south of Bear Meadows. Carpenters even today still marvel at the precision with which the lumber was sawed to specific sizes. Neff had no blueprints for his chosen master carpenter, but only gave him a basic floor plan. Nonetheless, Aaron Thomas was up to the task, using his innate ingenuity and inventiveness to direct others to complete the job.

Thomas' daughter Jenny, in her old age, would insist, while pointing to her forehead, that her father's plans were all "up here," and that he took great pride in that fact, recalling that after the barn was completed he loaded she, her sister, and her mother into their horse and buggy and went to the barn, where he drove around the interior circle on each level "to convince them that what he had said of his summer work had not been pure imagination"!

**TUSSEY SINK:** Although sink-holes are quite common in Centre County there is one in Potter Township that warrants a name of its own. So prominent is this "sink", or depression in otherwise level farm fields, that its area along Route 322 one mile west of the community of Tusseyville became known as Tussey Sink. Water from a small spring flows through this cut, and it is believed that it surfaces some five miles away in Penns Cave. The sink's depth and area change from time to time, with a large hole opening up in an adjoining pea field some years ago which was large enough to have swallowed a tractor if it had been sitting there at the time. Before the consolidation of schools, the country school called the Tussey Sink School was located nearby. It still is used today as a hunting camp. **ROBERT PENNINGTON:** He was born in Maryland on January 17, 1754, and twenty years later married local lady Rebecca Benn. Henry, their only child, was born a year later. Two years following his child's birth, Robert, like many other patriots of the day, chose to join the war effort, enlisting in the Fifth Maryland Regiment, which was one of eight regiments composing the Maryland Continental Line. Continental Line troops were troops from each of the thirteen colonies authorized by the Second Continental Congress as the country's official army to serve for common defensive purposes. Their first commanding general was George Washington.

Pennington served with the Maryland Continental Line from 1777 until November of 1780, and so may have participated in some of their significant battles during that time, including the Battle of Monmouth (1778) and the Battle of Camden (1780). Four years after his discharge from the army, Pennington moved his family to Penns Valley. At age 60, in 1814, he deeded one acre of his land just north of current Route 192, near present day Centre Hall, to the Methodist Episcopal Church so they could establish the first church of that denomination in Penns Valley. Services were held in the log church building until 1854, when the building was purchased by the Harpster brothers, who tore it down and sawed up its logs to build houses for themselves.

Today the site of the old log church can be found along Laurel Springs Road off Route 192. A wooden sign nailed to a wooden post is engraved with white lettering to mark the spot and also the gravestones of the Pennington Cemetery. Robert Pennington's gravesite can be found in this special place along with those of other members of his family. In addition to Robert, there are other Revolutionary War soldiers buried here as well.

A metal fence once surrounding the graveyard has fallen down in places, and the gravestones are hardly visible anymore as burdock, hazel bushes, sumac, and ferns of all type try to cover them up. Colorful tints of wild flowers like the white blossoms of Queen Anne's Lace and the pinkish-purples of the Wild Phlox occasionally brighten up this sacred spot, but unless it is maintained by locals who appreciate its historical significance, its place in both local and national history will be forgotten.

**STANFORD HOMESTEAD:** Thought to be the oldest building in Centre County still standing, this log homestead holds a memory of Potter Township's frontier history. Built in 1777 by early settler Jacob Stanford, it was situated by an ever-flowing spring west of the Kishacoquillas Indian path from McBride's Gap on Nittany Mountain to Logan's Spring near present-day Lewistown. It was over this route one day in May of 1778 that an Indian war party from what today is the Mifflin County end of the path came by the Stanford cabin, and ambushed the unsuspecting family. All family members, except the son Adam, were killed, and a contingent of troops from nearby Potter's Fort, alerted by express rider Robert Moore, found the bodies and buried them at the corner of a nearby field. Adam was raised by the Indians, but later returned to the white race, became a farmer, and had children of his own. His descendants are living yet today. The graves of the Stanfords have never been found, but a stone historical marker in front of the cabin serves as a headstone that preserves their memory.



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To celebrate Potter Township turning a quarter of a millennium, the township held a community celebration on Saturday, June 8, 2024. A range of events, including historical bus tours; campfire ghost tales by Jeffrey Frazier, a Centre Hall native esteemed for his books which archive the folktales of Pennsylvania; a trivia game show; festival activities; and more were held throughout the day to "celebrate the rich heritage and bright future" of Potter Township.

The Potter Township 250 Heritage Day took place on the south side of the Grange Fairgrounds. Four bus tours covering the historical landmarks of Centre County's oldest Township were given throughout the day. The bus tours were led by Jeffrey Wert, a retired Penns Valley teacher, and Martin Tobias, a Penns Valley history teacher.

Many of the notable historic sites in the area are on private property, which can make it a challenge for residents to visit them. The bus tour aimed to make these sites accessible for the day so the community could enjoy and learn about the rich history of Potter Township. Stops along the tour included the Andrew Gregg Homestead, the Stanford House, Eutaw House, Sinking Creek Cemetery, Shadecre Monument and more.

The Welcome Ceremony included guest speakers Representative Kerry Benninghoff, Commissioner Amber Concepcion and Commissioner Mark Higgins.

Pastor Theresa Heiser provided the invocation. LeDon Young, representing Daughters of the American Revolution, led the flag ceremony with the aid of local scouts.



Proclamations from Gov. Josh Shapiro and Centre Hall Borough were read recognizing the 250th Anniversary of Potter Township.

Agnes Homan was recognized as a special guest. Ms. Homan is the oldest living resident of Potter Township at the young age of 100. We were delighted that she was able to join us for the day and share in the celebration.

Musical entertainment was provided throughout the day by the Tussey Mountain Moonshiners and the Brush Mountain Band.

In addition to the bus tours, a festival was held at the fairgrounds. Three contestants demonstrated their knowledge of Penns Valley at the first ever "Uncovering Potter Township: Game Show", hosted by Jeffrey Frazier.

Mr. Frazier is a published author, archivist of folktales and a Centre Hall native.

Later in the evening Mr. Frazier shared selected tales from his book "Pennsylvania Fireside Ghost Tales" at the Campfire Ghost Tales held at Penn's Prairie Park.

Commemorative merchandise includes mugs, hats and wooden tokens. These items are still available for sale at the Potter Township Office. To place your order please stop by the office or email **secretary@pottertownship.org** 

#### Bus Tour Route on June 8th, 2024

#### Starting from the Grange Fair, head east on Rt. 45.

- Old Fort Hotel
- Potter Fort
- Centre Hall Train Station
- Progress Grange building
- Centre Hall Hotel

#### Head west on Upper Brush Valley Road

- Tri-Municipal Park
- Black Hawk
- Gregg Station

Head south on Rimmey Road

- Stanford House
- Rhoneymeade

#### Head east on Rt. 45

#### - Neff Round Barn Head south on Tusseyville Road

#### Head east on Airport Road

- Old Mill near Wasson Farm

- Red Mill

- Head east on Rt. 322
  - Slave cemetery
  - General Potter Farm - Homan's General Store
  - Potters Mill
  - Eutaw House
  - Potters Mills Schoolhouse

Head west on Red Mill Road Head north on Goodhart Road

#### Head east on Airport Road

- Centre Hill Cemetery
- Centre Hill Church
- Head south on Rt. 144 - Schoolhouse
- Head east on Bible Road

- Log cabin (early homestead)

Head east on Upper Georges Valley Road - Log cabin (early homestead) Head north on Egg Hill Road

- Egg Hill Church

Head north on Shunk Road Head west on Sinking Creek Road Head north on Indian Lane

- Indian Lane Monument Head north on Luse Road Head west on Manor Road Head east on Decker Road

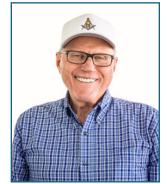
- Plum Grove Manor
   Plum Grove Schoolhouse
   Plum Grove Cemetery
- Head east on Middle Road - Andrew Gregg Homestead

Head north on Ridge Road Head west on Rt. 192

- James Cleveland Trail - Pennington Cemetery
- Centre Hall Borough

Head south on Rt. 144 - Kerlin Poultry Homestead Head south on Miles Alley Head west on Manor Road Head south on Rt. 144 Head west on Rt. 45 and return to the Grange Fairgrounds.

#### Thank you to our Tour Guides!





Jeffrey Wert

Martin Tobias



Lake Road Bridge Superstructure Replacement - The Lake Road Bridge was constructed in 1957. Over time, corrosion of the structure began and a weight limit was placed on the bridge. In February of 2024, bid proposals were requested for replacement of the bridge. The bid was awarded to Northrock Construction from Cranberry, PA. A superstructure was designed and consisted of a prefabricated galvanized steel beam bridge with an open grate deck and integrated guiderail system. A four (4) foot concrete walkway was installed on the downstream side of the bridge. This walkway provides a more

comfortable transition for the pedestrians using Colyer Lake Trail by connecting the trail over the stream. The project was completed in September of 2024. The galvanized structure has a 30-year warranty for corrosion. The total project cost was \$361,847.00. The project was partially funded through the Municipal Assistance Program (MAP) in the amount of \$289,477.00 (80%). Potter Township's portion of this project was \$72,370.00.







**The Happy Valley Adventure Bureau (HVAB) Grant Program** is conducted in partnership with the Centre County Board of Commissioners. This annual tourism grant program provides marketing and other support for nonprofit and for-profit cultural, educational, historical and recreational assets in order to enhance the visitor experience and increase tourism to Happy Valley, PA, particularly overnight stays. Since 2003-04, the Tourism Grant program has awarded nearly \$8.3 million to projects, events and initiatives that

grow and enhance Happy Valley's tourism product. The merit-based grants are awarded annually as determined by the Tourism Grant Review Committee.

Potter Township received \$6,000 grants for both 2022-2023 and 2023-2024. The grants were used to install safety fencing in front of the baseball dugouts on Emery Field and Geiss Field at the Potter Athletic Complex.



Recently the 2024-2025 grant recipients were announced. One successful recipient is United Baseball Inc., for

tourism enhancement, in the amount of \$5,000 to assist with seating accommodations at the Potter Township Athletic Complex. A second marketing grant for \$8,000 was awarded to United Baseball Inc. for marketing the upcoming tournament at the Complex. The tournaments are open to the public.

#### Grant Awards Soon to Exceed \$2 Million

Pennsylvania offers grants for many uses. These include, but are not limited to, transportation, community & economic development, parks and recreation, recycling, and water/wastewater projects.

Grants do not need to be repaid. The Public Works Department is constantly seeking grants for various projects and equipment. Potter Township has been awarded grants for 2024-2025 in excess of \$2,000,000.

## 2023 Clean Streams



Left to Right: Seth Narehood, Centre County Resource Conservation Coordinator David Boliek Steve Dershem, Centre County Commissioner

David Boliek, Public Works Superintendent, was awarded the 2023 Clean Streams award at the Farm City Dinner for his ongoing participation and outstanding work in the Dirt, Gravel and Low Volume Roads Maintenance Program (DGLVR). As Public Works Superintendent, he is responsible for all aspects of maintenance and construction of the township roads in a manner that minimizes surface impacts and promotes environmental stewardship in our community. He closely collaborates with Centre County Conservation District staff to ensure that the roadway maintenance activities such as roadway surface and stormwater draining improvements are installed in a manner that will significantly reduce, divert, or disconnect roadway stormwater drainage from entering the streams



and groundwater. With the assistance of the DGLVR program, Mr. Boliek has completed two (2) roadway projects in Potter Township that included drive surface and draining improvements to Strawberry Hill Road that eliminated stormwater impacts to groundwater through a sinkhole and improvements to Boal Gap Road that greatly reduced sediment runoff from entering Boal Gap Run which is a high quality stream. The Centre County Conservation District expressed their gratitude for his service to our local community and proudly recognize him for his hard work and environmental leadership to safeguard our streams and waterways in the Commonwealth.

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### **Timbering Project**

#### The Woodlands at Sinking Creek

In Spring of 2022, an invitation to bid on standing timber was advertised as part of a Timber Management Project at The Woodlands at Sinking Creek. A select cut were marked for harvest based on overall maturity, spacing, species composition, etc. This well-executed select cut harvest will allow for another harvest in 10-15 years.

Allegheny Foresters & Consultants began the forest management project in the summer of 2022, finishing the project in spring of 2023 due to inclement weather conditions. The sale of the timber netted \$132,592.22 in



royalties for the Township. This revenue was placed in the General Fund as a reserve.

### Summary Of Major Ongoing Projects

- Lower Georges Valley Road Bridge Replacement This project includes a complete replacement of the bridge with a new 2-lane bridge being constructed. The project is scheduled to commence in April. The estimated project cost is \$2,150,982.00. The current award in grants is \$1,770,780.00. Potter Township's cost is \$440,000.000 and a loan is being secured for this commitment.
- Shunk Road Dirt & Gravel Project This project will include a realignment of the roadway. Currently the stormwater discharges into Sinking Creek. This new alignment will allow water to go into a stormwater basin for sediment control. The Centre County Conservation District awarded a \$30,000 grant for Phase I of this project. The total project cost is \$119,238.00.
- **Decker Valley Road paving project** Approximately 1.4 miles of the road will be paved where there is currently dirt & gravel, & tar & chip areas.
- As the winter progresses, Township staff will carefully monitor roadway conditions, and prioritize projects as conditions warrant. The Township will provide additional information on the 2025 Road Program in
- the Spring newsletter and on our website **www.pottertownship.org**

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Parks and Recreation

### Did you know that Potter Township has FIVE parks within the township?

Our local parks enrich our lives and connect us to nature, recreational opportunities, and each other. Local parks deliver opportunities for play and physical activities for residents of all ages and abilities, promote mental and spiritual well-being, and environmental stewardship. Parks are provided to the residents as a service and are a reflection of the quality of life in a community. The FIVE local parks within the parameters of our township include the following: Potter Athletic Complex, Potter Run Park, Woodlands at Sinking Creek, Penn's Prairie Park, and Colyer Lake.



### Stay tuned for 2025 events & activities!

### A QUICK GLIMPSE INTO OUR PARKS

#### Potter Run Park (GPS - 106 Way Lane, Spring Mills 16875)

Check out the Potter Run Park located at 106 Way Lane. There are a variety of activities there for all to enjoy. Bring a picnic to eat in the pavilion, play on the playground equipment, read a book (great selection at the Free Little Library located on site) and just enjoy being outside. Restroom facilities are available. Thank you in advance for taking your garbage home with you as there are no receptacles available for trash.



#### WOODLANDS at SINKING CREEK



#### Woodlands at Sinking Creek

Previously known to locals as "The Dump Woods" this park is located approximately one mile off of route 144 on Sinking Creek Road. A natural walking path is being planned for 2025.

Nature Park and Organic Recycling Center



#### Penn's Prairie Park (GPS-2400 Upper Brush Valley Road, Centre Hall)

In 1770, the William Scull Map of Pennsylvania included the 'Great Plains' label for the Penns Valley region. Fast forward to present day, and this parkland property is located in the center of the plains area.

In 2007, Gregg Township, Potter Township and Centre Hall Borough formed a municipal arrangement and purchased land from Penn State University with the help of a DCNR grant. The purchase agreement stipulated that the municipalities were to use/develop this land for citizens as a multi-municipal park known as Tri-Municipal Park. This park would be a recreational opportunity for the Penns Valley Region, including the school district. The purchase of this land was consistent with recommendations of the Centre County Comprehensive Plan, the Penns Valley Regional Comprehensive Plan, the Upper Penns Creek Watershed Assessment, the Spring Creek Rivers Conservation Plan and the Centre County Natural Heritage Inventory.

> The Tri-Municipal Park, Inc. was established as a non-profit organization in 2018 to oversee and direct the park finances, function and long-term plans. A competitive bid was won by Ameron Construction to begin work on the new 165-acre park in Centre Hall, PA, and a groundbreaking ceremony was held on August 11th. Funding was secured through DCNR and Pennvest for the first phase of the park, which included two full size multi-purpose athletic fields, a one-mile walking trail, and two parking areas. Additionally, an 18-hole disc golf course was built in another section of the park.

Gregg Township withdrew from the park partnership and its ownership share in 2022. The park is now owned solely by Potter Township and Centre Hall Borough and referred to as "Penn's Prairie Park".

Phase II construction began in 2024 which includes a pavilion and playground. While this work is being completed, residents should refrain from entering this section of the park for their own safety.

#### Colyer Lake (GPS Colyer Lake Potter Township, PA)

This 77-acre recreational facility is owned by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and managed by the Fish and Boat Commission. Potter Township supports activities and projects at the lake. Colyer Lake is a year-round favorite among boaters, fishing enthusiasts, hikers, and cyclists. An easy-to-follow trail

through the forest encircles the entire lake to reveal beautiful scenes and signs of the biodiversity it supports. There are two footbridges over Sinking Creek, which work to make the trail safer and more accessible for users of every age and ability level. In the spring of 2022, the 2.7 mile loop trail was dedicated in memory of Hobie Kistler, the original trail visionary. It is his family's hope that the residents of Potter Township, and their friends, will continue to use this wonderful outdoor resource for years to come.



Potter Township Athletic Complex Recognition of Lance and Ellen Shar Town of Lance and Ellen S

#### Potter Athletic Complex (GPS 150 Summer Lane, Centre Hall)

The Potter Athletic Complex (also known as the PAC) was acquired by the township in 2019. The 13.75-acre complex includes two regulation baseball fields, Emery Field and Geiss Field. The complex also includes a press box, concession stand and storage sheds. The facility and fields were in use from 2021-2023 and operated by Potter Township. In 2022 and 2023 grants were awarded through the Happy Valley Adventure Bureau for the purchase and installation of fences in front of all four dugouts. In April 2024, the Board of Supervisors entered into a 5-year, zero-dollar lease contract with United Baseball for use, operations and maintenance of the facility.

Founded in Boalsburg in 2021 as a Pennsylvania Nonprofit Corporation and 501(c)(3) charitable organization, United Baseball is a travel baseball organization with players from Centre County and the surrounding area. With 9U, 11U, and 13U teams, United Baseball's mission is to grow a love for the game on the field, but more importantly, to use baseball to equip kids for success off the field.

For more information about United Baseball or reserving the fields at the Potter Athletic Complex, please contact us at paunitedbaseball@gmail.com.

PA FISH & BOAT COMMISSION

COLYER LAKE ACCESS

197 LINGLE RD



In July 2024, Centre Hall Fire Company members secured a 2001 Sutphen 75' tower. It is equipped with a 1500 gpm pump and 500 gallons of water. This apparatus will be replacing engine 4-1. Since July the members have participated in trainings to ensure that all membership is proficient on its use before beginning to use it to serve the Centre Hall Borough, Potter Township and the surrounding communities. The

apparatus was purchased from the Hyde Park Fire Department in New York.

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Penns Valley Emergency Medical Service (PVEMS) plays a crucial role in our community providing timely emergency medical care and support to residents in their times of need. The dedication and professionalism of their team are commendable, and they have proven to be an indispensable resource for the community. They currently have six full-time EMTs, several part-time EMTs, and volunteers. The operational demands placed

on EMS continue to grow, and with that, the need for consistent and adequate funding becomes increasingly important. Potter Township supports PVEMS through an annual municipal contribution to ensure that they receive the necessary resources to maintain their high standards of service. Continued support from the Township is essential, not only for the day-to-day operations of Penns Valley EMS but also for future initiatives that can enhance emergency response capabilities. Potter Township contributes .5 mill of the current

year's tax assessment through a local services tax (LST). The contribution for 2025 is estimated to be \$57,189.00. This contribution is budgeted annually from the General Fund account. The Board of Supervisors look forward to continued collaboration in supporting our essential emergency services in Penns Valley.



134 N Witmer Ave Centre Hall, PA 16828

814-364-1816

106 Ross Hill Rd Spring Mills, PA 16875

814-422-8015

### Centre Hall/Potter Township Food Pantry is changing its name to **CENTRE HALL/PENNS VALLEY FOOD PANTRY.**

The Aaronsburg Food Pantry has CLOSED so the Centre Hall/Penns Valley Food Pantry will service all clients in Centre Hall & Millheim Borough, as well as the Townships of Gregg, Haines, Miles, Penn and Potter. The Centre Hall/Penns Valley Food Pantry is located in the basement of Grace United Methodist Church, 127 S. Pennsylvania Avenue, Centre Hall, PA. Food is distributed from 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm on the third Tuesday of each month except in August it is the second Tuesday. Clients must meet federal income guidelines to qualify for food.



#### **Income Requirements**

ousehold Size	Monthly Income
1	\$2,322
2	\$3,151
3	\$3,981
4	\$4,810
	\$5,640
6	\$6,469
7	\$7,299
8	\$8,128

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Contact Email: GraceCHPFP@gmail.com Phone: 814-422-9040



The Pennsylvania Commission for the United States Semiguincentennial Act established the America250PA Commission to plan, encourage, develop and coordinate the commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States, Pennsylvania's integral role in that event and the impact of its people on the nation's past, present and future. Learn more about America250PA at www.america250pa.org

On June 17, 2024, the Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution endorsing AMERICA250PA and their mission to educate, preserve, innovate and celebrate EVERY Pennsylvanian in EVERY county.



The Annual Trick-or-Treat night is held on October 31st each year from 6 PM - 8 PM. In the event Halloween falls on a Sunday. trick-or-treating will be held on Saturday, October 30th. Please turn on your porch light if you would like trick-or-treaters to visit.



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The annual Colyer Parade traces out a winding circuit of about three miles beginning and ending on Lake Road near Colyer Lake. The parade features plenty of antique tractors, many of them beautifully restored and some still in their "barn find" condition – a bit rusty, but running. Come enjoy the most patriotic parade around! - William Splain, resident of Colyer. After the parade, join with friends old and new to celebrate a long standing tradition - Colyer Picnic.

COLYER PARADE & PICNIC THURSDAY JULY 4", 2024

### Municipal Primary Elections May 20, 2025 \* 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM

#### Did you know?

- The Primary in each even-numbered year is called the General Primary and is held on the third Tuesday in May, except in Presidential years when it is held on the fourth Tuesday in April.
- The Primary in each odd-numbered year is called the Municipal Primary and is held the third Tuesday in May.
- A Primary narrows down the number of candidates for the Municipal or General Election, except in the case of Precinct Democratic Committeeman and Precinct Democratic Committeewoman, who are elected in the Primary Election.
- General Elections are held in even-numbered years, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.
- Municipal Elections are held in odd-numbered years, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.
- Justices of the Supreme Court, Judges of Superior and Commonwealth Courts, Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, District Judges in Magisterial Districts, constables and all county municipal (borough and township offices), school district and election district officers are elected only at Municipal Elections.
- Electors for President and Vice-President, United States Senators, Representatives in Congress, Governor and Lt. Governor, Auditor General, State Treasurer, Attorney General and Senators and Representatives in the General Assembly are elected only at a General Election.
- The polls are open at all primaries and elections between the hours of 7AM and 8PM prevailing time.

#### Remember to Vote May 20!

#### Potter Township Offices to be Filled in Municipal Primary & General Election 2025

Supervisor – 2 vacancies, six year terms Tax Collector – 1 vacancy, 4 year term Auditor – 1 vacancy – 6 year term

Election Day Voting Locations		
Name	Precinct	Address
Potter North	70	Centre Hall Lions Club 153 E. Church St., (Off Route 192 East)
Potter South	71	Potter Township Supervisors Building 124 Short Road, Spring Mills (Off Old Fort Road)

#### 2025 Pennsylvania Elections Important Dates To Remember

First day to circulate and file nomination petitions Last day to circulate and file nomination petitions First day to circulate and file nomination papers Last day to file objections to nomination petitions	. March 11 . March 12
Ballot lottery Last day for withdrawal by candidates who filed	
nomination petitions	
Last day to REGISTER to vote in the primary Last day to apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot	. May 13
Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted ma civilian absentee ballots (must be received by 8:00 P.M.)	
MUNICIPAL PRIMARY	

### **PSATS Scholarships**

PSATS achievement scholarships, funded in partnership with the Pennsylvania Leadership Institute, inspire the next generation of local leaders! Four \$1,500 scholarships are available to high school juniors and seniors: two Local Government Achievement scholarships and two Academic Achievement scholarships.

• The Local Government Achievement scholarship is an opportunity for students to highlight outstanding citizenship through public service and community involvement.

• The Academic Achievement scholarship is awarded to students who exhibit enthusiasm toward education by maintaining high academic standards.

PSATS Youth Awards Confez

As a youth organization in Pennsylvania, you are invited to enter the PSATS Youth Awards Contest sponsored by the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors. The contest is held each year to recognize youth groups who make valuable, lasting contributions to their communities.

If your group meets the eligibility requirements and would like to be considered for an award, please express your interest to the Board of Township Supervisors by mid-January annually.

The contest is designed to recognize the valuable contributions made by youth groups involved in community projects that improve the quality of

### Scholarship Opportunity Sponsored by CCATO

The Centre County Association of Township Officials (CCATO) is composed of elected officials and employees from 25 townships in Centre County. The purpose of the CCATO is to foster communication among and between townships and to remain current with issues focused on efficient operation of our townships. The purpose of this scholarship is to aid residents of Centre County townships in meeting necessary educational expenses. Scholarships are awarded to full-time and part-time students who are attending vocational technical training, community/business colleges, or universities. At the post-secondary level, support is provided for a first undergraduate degree only. Candidates must have completed at least one academic year of study and have achieved a passing grade point average. Based on available funds, the Executive Board of CCATO determines the amount of the award(s) and selects the recipient(s). At the discretion of the Board and based on a gualified applicant pool, scholarships may not be awarded each year. Each scholarship is awarded for a period of one year. Recipients may reapply annually. Applications are available at www.pottertownship.org.





Has your youth organization completed a community service project? Enter to win \$500 and statewide recognition!

life in Pennsylvania's townships of the second class and encourage greater youth involvement in township government. Youth groups are encouraged to work with their township government to identify and address specific needs within the community.

All officially established youth groups, such as 4-H clubs, Scout troops, school and church groups, and civic service club youth organizations from elementary school through grade 12 are eligible for the contest. For more information visit www.psats.org/psats-youth-awards.

#### Highway Welcome Signs & License Plates Celebrating Pennsylvania as the Birthplace of American Democracy

The new 'Let Freedom Ring' design highlights Pennsylvania's place as the birthplace of American democracy and freedom as the Commonwealth prepares to be a central hub of activity to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States in 2026. The new license plates are expected to be available all across the commonwealth by Spring 2025, just over a year before the country's 250th birthday on July 4, 2026.

Pennsylvania residents can sign up to receive an email update when the new license plates are ready to order. The email will include details on how to request a new license plate for your vehicle from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation

(PennDOT). The new plate features the Liberty Bell and the text, "Let Freedom Ring". It's the first new license plate design in over 20 years.

Military, special organization, special fund, and specialty plates without legislatively mandated designs will also be updated with the new design.



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Lisa Kroner, Secretary/Treasurer, earned designation as a Certified Government Administrator (CGA) in August 2024

through the PA Association of Municipal Administrators (PAMA) certification program. The designation of CGA is awarded for satisfactory completion of course requirements and successful completion of the comprehensive examination. Core subjects include Structure and Function of PA Local Government, Municipal Administration/Personnel Management, Basic Budgeting, Accounting and Financial Control, Community Development/Municipal Services, Meeting Management, Bidding and Contracting, and Records Management.

While attending the conference Lisa Kroner also received the 20 Year Distinguished Service Award for more than 20 years of faithful and dedicated service to municipal government.

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#### **Residents May Apply for Home Heating Assistance**

Applications are now being accepted for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, which helps Pennsylvania families pay their heating bills during the coldest months. Pennsylvanians may apply for cash assistance of \$200 to \$1,000 until April 4, 2025, based on household size, income, and fuel type. The one-time payment will be sent directly to your utility provider. Applicants do not need to be on public assistance or have unpaid heating bills to qualify. To learn more, residents may reach out to the Centre County Assistance Office.



**Potter Township** accepts credit cards and e-check payments online, at the counter through a card reader, as well as over the phone. An online payment option has been integrated into our website (electronic check or credit/debit card). Customers will be responsible for an additional User Fee of 3%. Recurring ACH payments are an option for regularly scheduled charges such as monthly sewer and water service. Your bank account will be charged the designated fee for utilities each billing period.

#### **DROP BOX AVAILABLE**

Residents who wish to drop off their utility payments or permit applications after hours are welcome to use the drop box. The box is located next to the front entrance of the Administration Office. *Please clearly mark the envelope to indicate who the item is for.* 

Potter Township has 57.71 miles of township roads for which the road crew is responsible. To maintain these roads, there are five full-time employees and two on-call employees. The road crew is responsible for snow removal, tree removal, pavement repair, and equipment maintenance.



Other than snow removal, the road crew's next essential responsibility is keeping the roadside swales clean and shaped in a way to keep water off of the road, out from underneath the road, and away from the edges of the road. A very important part of road maintenance is cutting swales, which at times can affect the yards of property owners.

Please help the road crew and your neighbors by refraining from putting leaves, sticks, dirt and other debris in this area. This is a big part in the safety of everyone who travels our roads!



#### Looking for updates on the latest projects, upcoming events, or volunteer opportunities?

To share the latest news in the fastest and most accurate manner, we offer email notifications through a system called Constant Contact. Each time our website is updated, email notices are delivered right to your inbox.

To subscribe to this free service, simply visit our website at **www.pottertownship.org** and select the "Public Interest" tab at the top of the home Page. Scroll down the drop box and click on "Sign up for Updates By Email". This will take you to the subscription registration page.

One more way to strengthen connections with our residents and build a better community!

### Federal REAL ID

Department of Homeland Security has postponed the enforcement date for REAL ID from October 1, 2021, to May 7, 2025, in response to COVID-19 and the national emergency declaration.



REAL IDs are now available to Pennsylvanians who want them. This guide will help you decide if you need a REAL ID, and provide information on what documents you will need and steps you can take to get an optional REAL ID.

PennDOT does not have a process by which customers can pre-scan and upload REAL ID

documents from home. In order to get a REAL ID, you must bring your documents to one of our Driver Licensing Centers for verification in person. For the safety of our customers' identities, PennDOT will never ask for nor accept any identity documents over the internet for any reason. Any website claiming to provide this service is not affiliated with PennDOT. As such, customers should not submit any images of personal documents to such websites as they will not be transmitted to PennDOT and could be used for fraudulent purposes. Through our website, customers may apply for pre-verification if their documents are already on file with PennDOT, however, this process will not ask you to scan and upload documents.

#### What is REAL ID?

REAL ID is a federal law that affects how states issue driver's licenses and ID cards if they are going to be acceptable for federal purposes, such as boarding a domestic commercial flight, or entering a military installation or federal facility that requires ID. Beginning May 7, 2025, Pennsylvanians will need a REAL ID-compliant license/ identification card, or another form of federally-acceptable identification (such as a valid passport or military ID) to:

- Board domestic commercial flights.
- Enter a military base.
- Enter a federal facility that requires ID at the door.

#### Do I have to get a REAL ID?

federal facilities after May 7, 2025.

No. REAL ID is optional for Pennsylvania residents. You will be able to get either a REAL ID driver's license/identification card, or a standard driver's license or identification card. If you do not get a REAL ID, you must have an alternate form of federally-acceptable identification (valid passport, military ID, etc.) to board domestic commercial flights and enter certain



Scan here for

more information

Potter Township Connection

### Potter Township is offering reflective number signs to their residents.

According to the County Addressing Policy, house numbers are required to be posted by the front door and/or above the garage door. This is helpful in developments or along streets where lighting is minimal. Large and/or reflective numbers are best. Make sure these numbers can be seen from both directions.

Many residents in the Potter Township area are very difficult to find during a dark night when you call for help. This letter is to help explain ways that can make it easier for emergency services to find you when you need us most.

More rural living, such as Potter Township, private roads are REQUIRED to have street signs; preferably with reflective number signs attached as well.

Also required; mailboxes need to be identifiable if they are a standalone mailbox (not cluster boxes). Horizontal signs are easier to read than vertical.

This is most important for 911 emergencies. If you need help, we can't find you unless you have your house number shown along the road easily, or your house number lit up well enough for EMS and/or Fire to find you during your time of need.

Please consider contacting your EMC for a reflective number sign for your home for just a \$10 fee. This could mean life or death to you or your family member. *Please see examples at right*.



**Contact:** 124 Short Rd Spring Mills, PA 16875 emc@pottertownship.org



### **BULK WASTE COLLECTION**

Items will be accepted at the Township maintenance building only on the specified dates. Spring collection dates will be announced on our website: www.pottertownship.org. A special collection for senior citizens 65 or older & physically disabled requires registration with the Township office.

#### Items that will be accepted:

- heavy metal items the refuse collector will not take
- appliances
- large furniture & bedding
- e-waste (televisions, computers, and printers)
- tires (passenger size only), and must be removed from the rims. (Limited to 6). Tires must be from your property only.
- homeowner-generated small project construction materials
   carpeting
- In order to continue to offer this free service, we must restrict items collected. The following items will not be accepted. NO EXCEPTIONS.
  - liquid paints and solvents
  - household refuse
  - hazardous waste
  - yard waste
  - lumber and wood
  - propane tanks
- batteries
- contractor-generated construction materials
  items that your refuse hauler
- Items that your refuse hauler can pick up



### Real Christmas Tree Recycling

For residents of Potter Township December 1st - Jan 31st

#### Information regarding bulk waste week collection:

- Keep in mind that there are only 2 workers per collection vehicle. Items too large or too heavy for two workers to lift, items too large or that will damage the truck (cast-iron items, trailers, very large furniture, trampolines, boats and canoes)
   WILL NOT BE COLLECTED.
- Residents should take care not to leave items they do not want to be discarded within 5 feet of the refuse pile. Some bulk items will be collected by a separate truck.
- If items are in good working condition, please consider making a donation to a local charity.
- This collection is for Potter Township residents only.
- For alternative disposal options, please contact your hauler or the Centre County Recycling and Refuse Authority at 814-238-7005.



Residents may bring their trees to the designated area next to the township building at 124 Short Rd, Spring Mills.

ALL LIGHTS AND ORNAMENTS MUST BE REMOVED

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### Branch & Limb Collections

Spring and Fall dates will be announced on our website: www.pottertownship.org. Call the Township Office no later than end of business the Thursday before scheduled collection. Provide your name and address for your brush to be collected.

- For tree trimming only
  - NOT tree removal
  - NO shrubs accepted
- Time limit of 15 Minutes chipping at any 1-residence
- Collection is ONE TIME AROUND the TOWNSHIP ONLY.
- Place brush next to Township Road or curb. Keep piles to a minimum. Pile all cut ends in the same direction, toward the road. Brush must be piled properly or it will NOT be picked up.
- We will accept limbs up to 6" in diameter. No limb length restrictions.
- No firewood or lumber.

Equipment requires that brush must be separate from leaves & other debris.

#### PLEASE OBSERVE ALL ABOVE RULES FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR CREW.

#### The Potter Township Zoning Ordinance regulates the following:

- Home occupations
- Accessory structures, including small sheds, pergolas, and greenhouses
- Swimming pools, all pools holding more than 30 inches of water, either permanent or portable, require a permit.
- Sign, permits may be required based on the type of sign. Please check with the Zoning Officer prior to purchasing and installing your sign.

New driveways & paving projects do require a permit. Driveways must meet sight distance and storm water management requirements. Contact the Public Works Department at 814-364-9314 with any questions or to begin the application process.

### **Sewage Enforcement Officer**

Any work on septic systems requires permits. Contact Stan Wallace for details and instructions.

#### Stan Wallace

Cell 814-571-7231 wallaceseo1798@gmail.com

#### Zoning Permits for Potter Township are now being processed by: Penns Valley Code Enforcement Agency

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 1:00 pm — 5:00 pm

225 East Main Street P.O. Box 357 Millheim, PA 16854 Ph: 814-349-8177 Fax: 814-349-8017 Email: info@PVCode.org

Fences do not have a set-back and may be installed at or near the property line. It is advisable to install with a mow line to permit owner to work on the fence without trespassing on the neighbor's property.

Potter Township does not have a burn ordinance. Burning of tires, pressure treated lumber, upholstered furniture, plastics and other toxic materials, are prohibited by the Department of Environmental Protection. When doing any open burning, please be considerate of your neighbors. Report large controlled burns to Centre County Non-Emergency 911 at 1-800-479-0050.

### All applications are available online at www.pottertownship.org

### **RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMITS**

#### **RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMITS**

A UCC Building Permit is required if you intend to construct, enlarge, convert, move, demolish or change the occupancy of any residential building (1-2 family dwelling) or accessory structure regulated by the Uniform Construction Code.

#### UCC Building Permits are required for:

- ALL new construction
- Any living space addition
- Attached garages (including one attached only by a breezeway).
- Any deck or ramp with a floor over 30" from the ground (attached or detached)
- Any roof repair/replacement of framing when attached to the house
- Any roof addition when attached to the house, including those for decks and porches

- Any renovations that change means of egress, move or cut into load-bearing walls.
- All in-ground swimming pools or above-ground pools that have more than 24" of water AND are permanent
- Any fence over 6' in height (fences of any height may require Zoning or Municipality approval)
- Any masonry or retaining wall 4' or more in height
- Any detached accessory structure over 1000 sq. ft. (such structure may still require Zoning or Municipal approval)

Potter Township Connections

Changing the use of the building

### **COMMERCIAL BUILDING PERMITS**

#### UCC Building Permits are required for:

- ALL new construction
- Any renovation (except paint)
- Changing use of the building

Potter Township requires permits for most new construction, additions, installation and some remodeling and repairs. Some projects may only require a zoning permit; other projects may require both a zoning permit and a building permit. Please contact Penns Valley Code Enforcement Agency at 814-349-8177 prior to construction with any questions you may have. All applications for zoning permits shall be granted or denied by the Zoning Officer within 30 days from the date of receipt of the application and payment of all required fees. Please keep this in mind when planning your projects. A zoning permit is valid for a twelve-month period from the day of issuance.



### **Streets & Sidewalks Ordinance Revisions**

The Planning Commission has been working on a review of the Streets and Sidewalks Ordinance, specifically regulations that are specific to the care and maintenance of sidewalks. Members reached consensus on the provisions that they felt were most appropriate for Potter Township as amendments to the ordinance. The draft is currently under review by the solicitor and will be presented to the Board of Supervisors in early 2025.

### **BUILDING CODE OFFICIALS (UCC)**

Potter Township offers three (3) options for Building Code Administration. Applicants may choose which agency to work with. Each agency has their own Fee Schedule and should be contacted for permit fees.

Specific questions relating to Building Permits should be directed to the agency of choice.

#### **Bureau Veritas**

75 Reserve Lane Lewistown, PA 17044 Ph: 717-242-0992 Fax: 717-242-4391 Email: kristin.fultz@bureauveritas.com

#### **Keystone Inspection Agency**

248 N. Main Street, Suite 1 Pleasant Gap, PA 16823 Ph: 814-359-3333 Fax: 814-359-3332 Email: reannakeystone@outlook.com

#### Penns Valley Code Enforcement Agency

225 East Main Street P.O. Box 357 Millheim, PA 16854 Ph: 814-349-8177 Fax: 814-349-8017 Email: info@PVCode.org **The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA)** allocated \$6.15 billion to Pennsylvania counties, metropolitan cities, and local government units to support COVID-19 response efforts, replace lost revenue, support economic stabilization for households and businesses, and address systemic public health and economic challenges.

ARPA funds can be used for nearly any normal township expense, such as payroll, fuel, insurances, and utilities; road, bridge, sewer, stormwater, public buildings, parks and recreation facilities, or other infrastructure; public safety costs, such as fire, ambulance, and police; and park and recreation expenses. All remaining ARPA funds must be spent, under contract, or under purchase order by December 31, 2024.

Potter Township ARP Allocation	\$378,420
Interest	\$9,542
Total Income	\$387,962
Approved Budgeted Expenditures:	
High Pressure Hot/Cold Pressure Washer	\$4,850
Equipment Repair - 2005 International Truck	\$20,362
Purchase of 2015 Peterbilt Dump Truck	\$130,000
Purchase 2023 Monroe ZZ 12" Conveyor	\$13,361
Purchase CASE 580SN Backhoe	\$118,000
Revenue Replacement to General Fund	\$15,000
Country Club Park Water Line Design	\$76,782
Country Club Park Demolition of Water Well Building	\$5,907
Country Club Park – Sealing of Well	\$3,700
Total Expenditures	\$387,962

### Agricultural Security Areas

As a tool to protect farms and farmland from non-agricultural uses, Agricultural Security Areas (ASAs) are intended to promote viable farming operations over the long term by strengthening the right to farm. Pennsylvania took the first step toward protecting farmland when it adopted an Agricultural Security Area law (PA Act 43) in 1981.

Local municipalities create ASAs in cooperation with individual landowners, who agree to collectively place at least 250 acres in an agricultural security area. To create an ASA, landowners petition their municipality, which approves the application in accordance with Act 43.

### **Ordinances**

All ordinances can be found on the website at **www.pottertownship.org.** Click on the Government tab and scroll down to Codes and Ordinances.

#### Soliciting or Peddling in Potter Township

Individuals are not allowed to engage in soliciting or peddling in Potter Township without first applying for and receiving a permit. Every solicitor or peddler is required to carry their permit and identification with them while engaged in soliciting or peddling in Potter Township. A person shall not go upon any residential premises and ring the doorbell or rap or knock upon the door or create any sound in a manner calculated to attract the attention of the occupant of the residence for the purpose of engaging in or attempting to engage in a home solicitation transaction before 9 AM or after 7 PM of any day, Sunday through Saturday. Solicitation on New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day or Christmas Day are prohibited. If you encounter an issue with an individual engaged in soliciting or peddling, feel free to contact the Zoning Office. (Ordinance #O-2021-07)

#### New Ordinances Enacted in 2023

Ordinance 01 of 2023 - Prohibition of the Use of Engine Brake Retarders within Potter Township on SR 45, Segment 410/2200 to Segment 420/1850

Ordinance 02 of 2023 – Providing Penalties for False Fire Alarms Caused by Faulty Equipment, Negligence, or Deliberate Action within Potter Township.

Emergency False Fire Alarm Fees	
First Alarm	None - Notification Only
Second Alarm	None - Notification Only
Third Alarm	None - Notification Only
Fourth Alarm	\$150.00
Fifth Alarm	\$300.00

#### New Ordinances Enacted in 2024

Ordinance 01 of 2024 – Collection of Costs, Expenses and Fees, Including Reasonable Attorney's Fees, Expended in Pursuit of the Collection of Taxes, Municipal Claims, and the Liening of Real Property

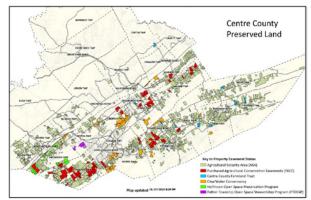
Ordinance 02 of 2024 – Authorizing the Incurring of Non-Electoral Debt Execution and Private Sale of a Federally Tax-Exempt General Obligation Note and Pledging the Township's Full Faith, Credit, and Taxing Authority as Security.

Ordinance 03 of 2024 – Amend and Restate Chapter 220 – Zoning, Article IX – Administration and Enforcement, Section 220-100 – Amendments to Zoning Ordinance, of the Code of the Township of Potter

Ordinance 04 of 2024 – Amendment of the Potter Township Zoning Map, as Incorporated by Chapter 220 of the Code of Ordinances, Known as The Potter Township Zoning Ordinance, Section 220-10 ("Zoning Map") to Rezone 25.5 Acres of Centre County Tax Pin 20-008-005H from Prime Agricultural to Planned Commercial-Industrial.

Ordinance 05 of 2024 – Amendment to Ordinance No. 2 Of 2024 Authorizing the Incurring of Non-Electoral Debt Execution and Private Sale of a Federally Tax-Exempt General Obligation Note and Pledging the Township's Full Faith, Credit, and Taxing Authority as Security. Landowners that enroll in an ASA commit to remaining in it for seven years. After fulfilling their seven-year commitment, landowners may withdraw at any time. Each municipality may add new enrollees to an established ASA at any time.

Since 2015, Potter Township has contributed \$100,000 to five local farms to assist with enrollment in AG preservation.



This map can be found on the Centre County Government website.

### Resolutions

R-2024-01	Consolidated Fee Schedule for Fiscal Year 2024
R-2024-02	Approval for Treasurer to Pay Bills Due Before Meeting
R-2024-03	Authorization for Disposition of Records
R-2024-04	Modified Appropriations for the 2024 Budget
R-2024-05	Revision to Official Sewage Facilities
	Plan – KCCCOLE, LLC
R-2024-06	Support for PA Commission for America250PA
R-2024-07	Adoption of The Penns Valley Regional Comprehensive
	Plan Update 2024
R-2024-08	Policy Governing Responses to Anonymous
	Right-to-Know Requests
R-2024-09	Revision to Official Sewage Facilities Plan –
	Smith-Sweetwood VFW Post 9575
R-2024-10	Policy and Procedure for Consultant Selection –
	Lake Road Bridge Project
R-2024-11	Intergovernmental Service Agreement With
	Spring Township
R-2024-12	Revision to Official Sewage Facilities Plan –
	Philip & Colin Leidy
R-2024-13	Request Statewide Local Share Assessment Grant-
	Lower Georges Valley Road
R-2024-14	Acceptance of Road Dedication of Bluestem Circle
R-2024-15	Acceptance of Road Dedication of Saffron Boulevard
R-2024-16	Adoption of Amendments & Revisions to
	Employee Handbook
R-2024-17	Establishment of Tax Rate for 2025
R-2024-18	Request Statewide Local Share Assessment
	Grant- Equipment Purchase
R-2024-19	Request Statewide Local Share Assessment
	Grant- Airport Road (T-523) Paving
R-2024-20	Adoption of 2025 Budget
R-2024-21	Change of Signatory for Lake Road Bridge
	PennDOT Reimbursement Agreement

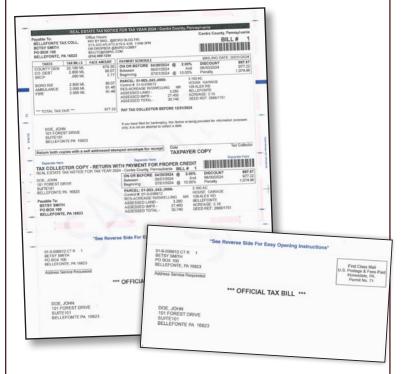
#### Taxes and Finances Real Estate Tax Millage for 2025

The tax rate for **general revenue** purposes, the sum of **1 mill** on each dollar of assessed valuation, or the sum of .10 cents on each one hundred (100) dollars of assessed valuation. In 2025, this 1 mill tax will generate \$114,378.00 in revenue for the General Fund.

The tax rate for **fire protection** purposes, the sum of **2 mills** on each dollar of assessed valuation, or the sum of .20 cents on each one hundred (100) dollars of assessed valuation. In 2025, this 2 mill tax will generate \$228,756.00 in revenue for the Centre Hall Fire Company.

### Real Estate Tax Bill Format Change

Centre County Tax Claim Bureau will be transitioning to Government Software Solution, Inc. for the billing of the 2025 Real Estate tax bills. The new real estate tax bills will be self-sealed with perforation and will no longer arrive in an envelope. The Per Capita bills will be sent separate from the real estate tax bills.



If you have any questions, please contact Potter Township's Tax Collector, Wendy Nolf, at 814-364-1331 or taxcollector@pottertownship.org

### Potter Township Employees NEW Certifications and Credentials

Clarence Taylor..... Dirt & Gravel Certification David Decker....... Sewer System & Water System Operator Certification Jared Bressler....... Commercial Drivers License (CDL) Sue Mazza .......... Wastewater Operator Certification Lisa Kroner....... Certified Government Administrator (CGA) David Boliek....... Certified Zoning Officer (CZO)

### Act 537 Sewage Management Program

The Official Sewage Facilities Plan for Potter Township necessitates that a sewage management program be implemented to effectively prevent and abate water pollution and hazards to the public health caused by improper treatment and disposal of sewage.

The program provides for the inspection, maintenance and rehabilitation of on-lot sewage disposal systems. The inspection of every on-lot disposal system is conducted once every six years by the municipality's certified Sewage Enforcement Officer (SEO) to assure the proper function of all systems in the municipality.

Each year a list of properties due for inspection is generated and letters are sent to property owners April 1st. Invoices for the inspection by the SEO are included with the letter and are due by May 15th. Once payment is received at the Township Office, the SEO will contact the property owner to schedule an appointment to conduct the inspection. A copy of the written report will be furnished to the owner of each property inspected and a copy of the report will be maintained in the municipal records.

Typically, the inspection will also require that the tanks(s) be pumped by a sewage disposal company. After the tank is pumped, please provide a copy of that pumping receipt to the Township Office for the property files.

### Planning Commission Researching Residential Livestock Ordinance

The Planning Commission has been tasked with researching municipal residential livestock ordinances in Centre County and statewide. The Board of Supervisors desires to ensure that the raising and keeping of chickens and their associated structures are conducted in a way as to not adversely affect the safety and general welfare of the citizens of the Township, and not create any public nuisance.

The purpose of this type of ordinance is to provide minimum standards for the keeping of domesticated chickens. Such standards could include minimum lot size, number of chickens per lot, setbacks, structures for pens/ runs/coops, and the banning of roosters. This article enables residents to keep chickens on a non-commercial basis as an accessory use to a residence, while limiting the adverse effects of the activity on surrounding properties. Such adverse effects can include noise, odors, unsanitary conditions, attraction of predators, chickens running at large, unsightly conditions, and similar adverse conditions.

The Planning Commission will continue to draft provisions for regulating chickens in residential areas in the municipality. Once the draft is completed, it will be presented to the Board of Supervisors for their review.



The Planning Commission's future work items include continued review of zoning regulations for any necessary updates and/or amendments.

For more information on topics of discussion for all ABCs visit **www.pottertownship.org** 

### **ABCs – Volunteer Opportunities**

In Pennsylvania, authorities, boards, and commissions (ABCs) are part of municipal government that allow citizens to be involved in government affairs. They can be advisory, but they can also have a significant influence and shape public policy.

#### Here are some definitions of ABCs:

- Authorities: Bodies created to finance and operate public works projects without using the municipality's general taxing powers. • Boards: May have regulatory powers or be responsible for policy-making.
- **Commissions:** Bodies established to oversee, manage, regulate, or advise on specific issues. They may have the authority to enforce regulations, review applications, or make recommendations.

The Pennsylvania Sunshine Act, also known as the Open Meetings Law, applies to all state and local government bodies, including ABCs. The act requires these bodies to be open to the public.

Planning Commission: Consists of seven Township residents appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The basic responsibility of the Planning Commission is to see that existing land is used in the very best interest of the Township as well as the landowner. The Commission reviews and makes recommendations to the Board for all proposed development, changes in zoning districts and regulations. Members are appointed to a four-year term.

Vacancy Board: The Board of Supervisors is normally responsible for appointing eligible residents to fill vacancies in elected Township positions, including those on the Board itself. The Vacancy Board, consisting of one appointed citizen member and the remaining Supervisors, is convened when the Board of Supervisors is split two to two on naming a person to fill a vacancy. The elector serves a one-year term.

**Zoning Hearing Board:** The Zoning Hearing Board consists of five members and three alternates appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The Board considers requests on variances from the Township Zoning Ordinance, appeals of decisions of the Zoning Officer, requests for special exceptions, and legal challenges to the validity of the Township Zoning Ordinance. The Board has a formal legal status under Pennsylvania's Planning Code. The Board's hearings are like court hearings with sworn testimony, crossexaminations and the right to be represented by legal counsel. Members are appointed to a five-year term and alternates are appointed to a threeyear term.

Parks & Recreation Board: Responsible for the management of Township parks. The Board is composed of not less than five or more than nine members and members serve for terms of five years. The Board's power includes: Identify the open space, recreation, park and trail needs of the Township. Plan and supervise recreation programs approved by the Township. Recommend plans, programs, and policies regarding the provision of recreation and park services at the park lands. Undertake recreation and park tasks as requested by the Township.

Tri-Municipal Park Board: Potter Township, along with co-owner of the land, Centre Hall Borough, has established the Tri-Municipal Park, Inc. (TMP) as a nonprofit corporation, for the development and ongoing management of jointly owned land as a park for the benefit of the citizens. TMP is governed by a Board of Directors acting in accordance with bylaws established by the Board of Directors and approved by the municipalities. Each municipality shall appoint up to three voting members on the Board of Directors, one of whom must be an elected official, a Township Supervisor or Borough Council member. Directors selected by the municipalities must be residents of their respective municipalities and shall be appointed as allowed for in the TMP bylaws for a period of not less than one year.

Wellhead Protection Committee: Established to actively monitor and manage the area surrounding a public water well, aiming to identify and mitigate potential sources of contamination that could affect the drinking water supply, essentially preventing groundwater pollution by overseeing activities within the "wellhead protection area" and implementing strategies to protect the water quality. This committee is not limited in the number of members and meets annually. Residents from surrounding municipalities may serve on this committee as well.

Penns Valley Regional Planning Commission: This regional planning commission's primary purpose is to support local municipalities within Penns Valley by providing technical assistance, guidance, and coordination on planning and community development issues, often including land use, transportation, infrastructure, and economic development, aiming to achieve regional goals through collaboration between different local governments; essentially acting as a coordinating body to address issues that transcend individual town or city boundaries.





**Board of Supervisors** Dick Decker - 17 years Jacob Tanis, III – 17 years Glenn Roth – 3 years Scott Floray – 1 year Ryan Newman – 1 year

Clarence Taylor.....14 years David Decker...... 11 years David Boliek...... 5 years Jared Bressler ...... 2 years Todd Decker ..... 1 year Tim Treaster..... 1 year Bill Meckley..... 1 year Lisa Kroner...... 8 years Sue Mazza ..... 1 year

**Equipment Operator** Equipment Operator, Sewer & Water Operator Public Works Superintendent **Equipment Operator Equipment Operator** Equipment Operator Equipment Operator Secretary/Treasurer Data Entry Clerk – Sewer/Water



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#### **Potter Township Contact Information** 124 Short Road | Spring Mills, PA 16875

#### Office Hours

Monday through Friday: 8:00am to 5:00pm Closed Noon to 1:00pm

#### 814-364-9176 | pottertownship.org

Police, Fire and Medical Emergencies: **Dial 911** 

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Sue Mazza Sewer/Water Clerk

### NOTICE of Public Meetings

#### All meetings are held at the Township building, 124 Short Road, Spring Mills, at 7:00 pm

- Board of Supervisors meets the first and third Monday of each month
- Planning Commission meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month
- Parks & Recreation Board meets the second Monday of each month
- Zoning Hearing Board meets the second & fourth Thursdays as needed, with dates & times to be advertised

Meetings of Potter Township Boards and Commissions are open to the public and respectful input is welcomed during the public comment time. The deadline to enter items into the official Board of Supervisors Meeting Agenda is 3:00 PM Thursday, prior to a meeting. Updated meeting schedules and approved meeting minutes can be found on our website at www.pottertownship.org. Meeting agendas will be posted at the township office and website at least 24 hours in advance of each meeting.



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