

UPPER PROVIDENCE TOWNSHIP

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Recreation Center Gears Up to Open Doors

Electricity is up and running, cutting edge equipment for the Fitness Center is in transit, the gymnasium wood floor is being installed, and the interior of the 15,500 sq. foot space is being furnished. In just a few weeks the doors will finally open at the new township Recreation Center at Anderson Farm Park. “We’re hopeful for an opening in May,” says Sue Barker, Recreation Director.

Barker, who is enthusiastic about launching year-round programming in the new Recreation Center says even though the construction has been a long process she shares the same eagerness as the community and wants to open the doors as soon as possible. “This is an exciting time for Upper Providence. We feel fortunate to have visionary Supervisors that allow us to build this new facility,” says Barker, “Because we’re offering programs that touch every age group, I feel the Recreation Center will have a positive impact on every township resident and family who wishes to take part.”

Investing in Membership, Fitness Center

Any resident that wishes to use the building or participate in programs can do so by purchasing a Recreation Center Membership (Membership prices are on page 3). Barker says there will be a yearly membership fee that includes senior discounts and family plans. To gain entry into the Recreation Center, all Members will be issued a membership ID card.

Additionally, Barker says that the township recognizes some families and residents may have interest in using the



The new township Recreation Center at Anderson Farm Park plans to open in early summer of 2011.

Recreation Center to participate in group sports, kids programming, community classes, after-school care, and gymnasium time—but may not have an interest in using the cardio machines and lifting equipment in the Fitness Center. “Having access to the Fitness Center within the Recreation Center will be a separate additional yearly fee,” says Barker.

Please bookmark our website www.uprov-montco.org and sign up for eNews to learn more about memberships. The best way to learn about all of the new programs and schedule of classes at the new Recreation Center will be to visit the new facility during open house events this spring. ♦

Community Golf Outing, April 26

Grab your clubs and gear up for 18 holes of friendly competition and fun to benefit the new Recreation Center at Anderson Farm Park on Tuesday, April 26. Residents and friends of the community can register for the Community Golf Outing at RiverCrest Golf Club as a single player (\$85) or a foursome (\$320). All costs include course fee, golf cart, box lunch, and player gifts.

Golfers should arrive at 10:30 a.m. for registration, driving range time, lunch, and the opportunity to see a teaching exhibition by PGA Pro Bob Kramer. The competition officially kicks off with a shotgun start at noon, and partakers will follow a shambling playing format.

“The Upper Providence Township Recreation Department came up with the idea to host a community golfing event to not only help raise funds for the new Recreation Center, but to also build awareness and educate the event’s participants about all of the programming and plans we hope to implement in the

months and years to come,” says Recreation Director Sue Barker.

Once everyone puts their final ball into the last hole, the day will conclude with a social hour featuring hors d’oeuvres, refreshments, and an award ceremony at RiverCrest Golf Club. Be sure to bring your “A game”—Awards will be handed out for overall best score, closest to the pin, and longest drive. For more information and to learn how to become an event sponsor visit www.uprov-montco.org. ♦



Golf outing benefits the new Recreation Center. Register to play online at www.uprov-montco.org, call 610-933-9179, or sign up in person at the Township Building.

Registration is Open for Summer Camps 2011!

Registration for all summer programs is open! Registering for summer recreation programs is easier than ever on our website. Go to www.uprov-montco.org, click on the recreation page, and look for the online registration tool on the right hand side. You can also download a registration form on www.uprov-montco.org and mail it to the township office.

NEW! Exploring Nature

For ages 7 to 13 years

DATES: June 20–24
TIME: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
LOCATION: Anderson Farm Park
COST: Resident \$125
Non-Resident \$205

Hit the great outdoors! Campers will explore nature and will create environment-themed arts and crafts. Every day features a special nature hike, and The Philadelphia Zoo will be providing its “Zoo on Wheels.” Price includes all day trips.

NEW! Deck Hockey Camp

For ages 8 to 13 years

DATES: June 27–July 1
TIME: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
LOCATION: Anderson Farm Park
Deck Hockey Rink
COST: Resident \$125
Non-Resident \$205

This hockey-themed camp includes day trips to: ice skating, The Franklin Institute, and swimming. A typical day features skills instruction, offense and defense drills, and live games. *All children must supply their own stick, full helmet with a cage, mouth guard, and gloves.

Total Sports Camp

Squiggles 3 to 5 years

All Stars 6 to 12 years

DATES: June 27–July 1
TIME: Squiggles 9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.
All Stars 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
LOCATION: Black Rock Park
COST: \$90 Squiggles | \$135 All Stars

The older campers take part in the All Star program where they take part in a week of daily challenges, team games, and tournaments including: soccer, track and field, kwik cricket, tag rugby, field hockey, netball, basketball, and longball. Our younger Squiggles players take part in mini basketball, soccer, tag rugby and mini Olympic activities and more!

Kixx Soccer Camp

For ages 4 to 14 years

DATES: July 18–22
TIME: 9 a.m. to noon
LOCATION: Anderson Farm Park
COST: \$135 (\$120 prior to May 1st)

Under the instruction of Philadelphia Kixx professional soccer players, campers will develop soccer fundamentals and learn proper techniques for dribbling, passing, shooting, heading, defending, and more. Register online at www.kixxonline.com.

Science Camp: Mad Machines & Engineers!

For ages 6 to 12 years

DATES: July 18–22
TIME: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
LOCATION: Black Rock Park Pavilion
COST: \$145

This is a camp to get your creative juices flowing! The junior Mad Science engineers will design and build bridges, skyscrapers, and a geodesic dome big enough for all the campers to sit inside! Then the machine madness starts... Campers will have fun building their very own catapults, sonic race car and much more to take home.

Camp Black Rock

For ages 6 to 13 years

DATES: July 18–August 12
TIME: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
LOCATION: Black Rock Park
COST: Resident: \$400 for the 1st child;
\$340 for additional children
Non-residents \$480

One of our most popular camps is back by popular demand! Four weeks will fly by with exciting day trips, games, bowling, rock climbing, and swimming. Price includes all day trips and outings.

NEW! U.S. Sports Institute: Multi Sports Camp

For ages 5 to 14 years

DATES: August 1–5
TIME: 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (5–14 years)
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (6–14 years)
LOCATION: Black Rock Park
COST: Half day morning \$139
Full day \$169

An action-packed week playing over 15 different sports from around the world with the U.S. Sports Institute. Campers will master sports through drills and being put into game situations. Lastly, campers will kick off in an USSI World Cup Competition.

U.S. Sports Institute: Sports Squirts Program

For ages 3 to 5 years

DATES: August 1–5
TIME: 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Black Rock Park
COST: \$69

This is the perfect camp to introduce your tots to sports! The Sport Squirts program introduces kids to soccer, T-ball, basketball, lacrosse and hockey. Activities are designed to evoke a child's imagination in which they can find Nemo, send Shrek into a spin, and more!

Total Soccer Camp

For ages Squiggles 3 to 5 years

All Stars 6 to 12 years

PROVIDED BY: Impact Sports
DATES: August 15–19
TIME: 9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. – Squiggles
9 a.m. to 12 p.m. – All Stars
LOCATION: Black Rock Park
COST: \$90 Squiggles | \$135 All Stars

Under the instruction of our caring and knowledgeable coaches, campers will develop soccer fundamentals and learn proper techniques for dribbling, passing, shooting, defending, and more.

NEW! Adventure Camp

For ages 8 to 13 years

DATES: July 11–July 15

TIME: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

LOCATION: Anderson Farm Park

COST: Resident \$145
Non-Resident \$225

Have your most exciting summer yet—and take a trip everyday with this camp group! Exploration locations include: The Crayola Factory, Dorney Park, Adventure Aquarium, The Academy of Natural Science, and Crystal Cave! Camp games and activities will take place during the time spent at onsite at camp.

NEW! Musical Theater Camp

For ages 8 to 14 years

DATES: August 15–19

TIME: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

LOCATION: Anderson Farm Park Amphitheater

COST: Resident \$125
Non-Resident \$205

Enjoy a fun filled week of dancing, singing, and acting while preparing for the performance “Scary Story 2011.” Each fun-filled day consists of dancing and acting workshops followed by an afternoon of play rehearsals! On the final day campers will perform the play for family and friends. Campers will also take a trip to view a play performance. Price includes all trips and outings.

Secret Agent Lab!

For ages 6 to 12 years

DATES: August 8- 12

TIME: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

LOCATION: Black Rock Park Pavilion

COST: \$145

Become a mad science secret agent and take a fascinating journey into the world of spies, detection, and classified information. Learn code language to send secret messages as part of your mission. Take home projects include a detective kit, secret decoder, fingerprint kit and more.

Share Your Ideas!

Want to suggest a recreation program for Upper Providence to offer next year? Please send ideas to the Recreation Department at PandR@uprov-montco.org

Public Compost Site Spring Hours

The new public compost site, located at 1094 Longford Road, is proud to offer free mulch and compost to township residents. For now, compost and mulch is free for township residents only, so please bring a photo ID to the compost site. Be sure to call the Public Works office before stopping by the compost site to confirm that mulch and compost are available: 610-933-9179.

Spring Hours:

Wednesdays, 1 p.m. to dusk Saturdays, 8 to 11:30 a.m.

The National Drug Take Back, April 30

The National Drug Take Back is scheduled for April 30, 2011 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Meeting Hall, 1301 Black Rock Road. Controlled, non-controlled, and over the counter medications will be collected and will be disposed of responsibly. The program is anonymous, no questions or request for identification will be made by law enforcement. Participants will remove any personal information from bottles or packages. Liquid products and creams in its containers will be accepted. Sharpies and syringes will not be accepted.

Stormwater Management

When cleaning up debris on their sidewalk or driveway residents should keep in mind that using a hose to wash these surfaces can send dirt, fertilizer, animal waste, or motor oil into the water supply.

Here are some ways residents can keep contaminants out of our drinking water:

- Limit your fertilizer use and avoid applying it before a rainy day.
- Pick up after pets and dispose of their waste properly. If left in your yard or at the park, pet waste can be carried into the storm sewer system or into a stream by stormwater runoff.
- Take care when changing your motor oil, and instead of washing your car in the driveway go to a commercial car wash, where the water is treated and recycled.

Anderson Farm Recreation Center Membership

	Resident Discount*	Regular
Annual Membership		
Individual Adult (18 years or older)	\$100	\$150
Individual Sr. Citizen (62 years or older)	\$75	\$115
Adult Married Couple (same household)	\$150	\$225
Adult Sr. Citizen Couple (same household)	\$135	\$200
Family of 4 (same household)	\$200	\$300
Family of >4 \$50 per Individual	\$200+	\$300+
Annual Fitness Center Membership (Must be a UPTRN Member)		
Individual Adult (18 years or older)	\$100	\$150
Individual Sr. Citizen (62 years or older)	\$75	\$115
Adult Married Couple (same household)	\$150	\$225
Adult Sr. Citizen Couple (same household)	\$135	\$200
Family of 4 (same household)	\$200	\$300
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Family is defined as two people legally married to each other, or a single parent and their children through the age of 18. A resident is defined as a person who lives on a permanent basis (12 months per year) within the Township limits of Upper Providence Township.

Watching New Development

The Planning Commission reviews development plans at public meetings on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 7 p.m. at the township building. If you have questions about development, call the township office at 610-933-9179, or stop by to review development plans or talk with a township staff member. Learn more at www.uprov-montco.org/planning.

Plans in Final Review

Residential:

- ◆ **Arcola Road, near Mennonite Road between routes 113 and 29.** White Springs Farm has proposed 341 age-restricted and age-targeted units on 85 acres.
- ◆ **Bechtel Road, just west of Route 113.** A proposal to create seven lots, by Robert Fieo.
- ◆ **750 Black Rock Road.** Desimone proposes a three-lot residential sub-division.
- ◆ **1080 S. Collegeville Road.** Toll Brothers is proposing 34 residential lots on 62 acres.
- ◆ **Old State Road between Mennonite Road and Bechtel Road.** A proposed 11 lot residential subdivision by Way Tract.
- ◆ **216 Dreibelbis Road.** Applicant Cory Tract proposes a 35 lot residential subdivision.
- ◆ **220 Black Rock Road.** Richard and Helen Moyer propose a two lot sub-division of this property.

Commercial:

- ◆ **Black Rock Road and Egypt Roads, northwest corner.** Approves pad sites for WAWA and a Chili's restaurant at the Oaks Shopping Center by Audubon Land Development.

- ◆ **Black Rock Road and Route 29, southwest corner.** Brandywine Senior Care is proposing a 120-bed assisted living facility.
- ◆ **Campus Drive, between Troutman Road and Route 29.** The Berwind Group plans three additional buildings on 289,300 sq. feet. This project has received preliminary approval.
- ◆ **500 Cresson Boulevard.** Audubon Land Development proposes to demolish the structure at 500 Cresson Boulevard and replace it with a Hilton Garden Hotel.
- ◆ **Egypt Road, south side, just west of Hollow Road.** Gambone Brothers proposes nine flex buildings located on a 42-acre tract.
- ◆ **122 Mill Road.** Audubon Land Development has proposed the re-location of the self-storage units from the Oaks Mills site at 122 Mill Road in Oaks to the old Synthane site at the end of Highland Avenue. Audubon has proceeded with the re-location as permitted in the MPC and is awaiting approval of site work prior to final recording of plans.

Plans Requesting Preliminary Review

The following projects have received tentative approval and are awaiting preliminary review in the 2011 calendar year:

- ◆ **122 Mill Road.** American Treasure Tour Applicant requests approval of a Zoning Text Amendment to allow the operation of a museum as a conditional use in the Oaks Mills complex.
- ◆ **1116 Longford Road.** BNB Family Limited Partnership proposes a lot line adjustment and the creation of additional parking on the property.

Plans Requesting Tentative Approval

- ◆ **Black Rock and Egypt roads, northeast corner.** The Bock Group proposes an UNO Chicago Grill for the site.
- ◆ **Hollow Road.** The Volpe Family Partnership requests a subdivision of property to add an additional 5.7 acres to the existing track on Hollow Road to be used for trailer parking.

Resolution Honors Charles Guttenplan

At the February 7 Supervisors meeting Planning Commission Chairman John Hughes presented former Upper Providence Township planning consultant Charles Guttenplan with an honorary plaque and the Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution for his years of outstanding service.

Guttenplan who worked on a multitude of development projects with Upper Providence Township over the course of 32 years was humbled and honored by this recognition. Guttenplan said, "This township always gave planning a high priority—and I feel this has contributed to the many positive changes and great developments over the years. I spent most of my career working with this team—they truly made me feel welcomed, and made me feel like I was part of their family."



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Stay connected with eNews

Be the first to learn about new recreation programs, community events, and bus trips by signing up to be on our e-mail newsletter list. Add your family's e-mail address to the list on the Upper Providence Township website homepage at www.uprov-montco.org.

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2011 Bus Trips!

Book a bus trip today!

This summer take a fun-filled day trip to the beach, city, casino, or amusement park—and leave the driving to us! All bus trips depart from the Upper Providence Township Building or another local township building. To make your reservation, register online or download a registration form at www.uprov-montco.org, and mail it to the township office.

NYC On Your Own!

DATE: Saturday, April 30
Saturday, July 23
DEPARTURE: 8 a.m.
DEPART NYC: 6 p.m.
COST: \$45

Explore New York City and leave the driving to us! Our luxury motor coach will drop off travelers in Times Square. The rest of the day in the big apple is up to you!

Ellis Island Adventure

DATE: Saturday, May 21
DEPARTURE: 8 a.m.
DEPART NJ: 6 p.m.
COST PER PERSON: \$65

Spend a late spring day in New Jersey's Liberty State Park where you'll hop aboard a ferry to visit the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. Included in your tour package is the Monument Access Pass for the Statue of Liberty.

Gourmet Food Tour in NYC

DATE: Saturday, June 4
DEPARTURE: 8 a.m.
DEPART NYC: 5:30 p.m.
COST PER PERSON: \$48

Pack a cooler for gourmet food purchases and bring your appetite to sample the culinary delights of downtown Manhattan! Some of the places where we will stop include: Citarella in Greenwich Village, Dean & DeLuca in SoHo, Little Italy, Chinatown, and Chelsea Market.

Mt. Haven Resort

DATE: Tuesday, June 21
DEPARTURE: 9 a.m.
DEPART MT. HAVEN: 3:30 p.m.
COST PER PERSON: \$60 *Must be over 21

Enjoy a day sipping on cocktails during an open bar cocktail event, snacking on hors d'oeuvres, and listening to live entertainment in the breathtaking Poconos. Event-goers can use all resort amenities including mini golf, the outdoor pool, walking trails, and more.

Hit the Theater District in New York City!

Reserve your spot today! Seats are limited, and many of our Broadway performances fill quickly. All costs for Broadway performances include transportation and orchestra seats.

Lombardi on Broadway

DATE: Saturday, April 30
DEPARTURE: 8 a.m.
DEPART NYC: 6 p.m.
COST PER PERSON: \$125

There is no greater sports icon to bring to theatrical life than Hall of Fame football coach Vince Lombardi, unquestionably one of the most inspirational and quotable personalities of all time. Dan Lauria (The Wonder Years) and two-time Emmy Award winner Judith Light head the cast of this new Broadway show *Lombardi*.

Mary Poppins on Broadway

DATE: Saturday, July 23
DEPARTURE: 8 a.m.
DEPART NYC: 6 p.m.
COST PER PERSON: \$120

One of the most popular Disney films of all time is now one of Broadway's biggest hits! Take your family to see *Mary Poppins* this summer. From the irresistible story to the unforgettable songs, from the breathtaking dance numbers to the jaw-dropping stagecraft, *Mary Poppins* has something for everyone!

Wicked on Broadway

DATE: Wednesday, September 28
DEPARTURE: 8 a.m.
DEPART NYC: 6 p.m.
COST PER TICKET: \$145

Now is your chance to experience the magic of this Grammy and Tony award winning musical that explores the untold story of the Wicked Witch of the West and Glinda the Good Witch from the Land of Oz. *Wicked* is one of the most spellbinding new musical in years—and the memories from this trip will surely last a lifetime.

Billy Elliott on Broadway

DATE: Wednesday, November 2
DEPARTURE: 8 a.m.
DEPART NYC: 6 p.m.
COST PER PERSON: \$145

This spectacular Broadway show follows Billy as he stumbles out of the boxing ring and into a ballet class where he discovers a surprising talent that inspires his family and the whole community. Fee includes transportation and orchestra seats for the show.

Take A Long Getaway: 2011 Multi-Day Trips

Take a ride and escape for a relaxing long weekend in our deluxe motor coach to one of these beautiful destinations! Visit our website, www.uprov-montco.org for a full description of these multi-day trips.

Greenbrier Resort and Spa, West Virginia

DATE: April 10-12
COST: \$399.95 *Per person, double occupancy

Finger Lakes & Cooperstown, New York State

DATE: June 5-8
COST: \$589.95 *Per person, double occupancy

Sign Up to Get Important Messages Via E-mail, Text Message, and Phone

Register your phone and e-mail addresses on the Upper Providence Township homepage at www.uprov-montco.org.

Even when you are not at home, Upper Providence Township can contact you with time-sensitive messages. By registering with Upper Providence's Blackboard Connect, you can choose to receive them via e-mail, text message, or on a different phone number.

Upcoming Community Events & Activities

Shred It!

DATE: Saturday, April 16

TIME: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

LOCATION: Township Meeting Hall

Sponsored by the Recreation Department, start your spring season clutter-free! Round up any of your family's unwanted documents, tax papers, or junk mail and bring them to be responsibly shredded (No trash is accepted). With fraud and identity theft on the rise this is a good way to destroy those documents securely. *FREE for township residents.

Egg Hunt & Flashlight Egg Hunt

*For Ages 1 to 8 years (Egg Hunt),
11 to 15 years (Flashlight Egg Hunt)*

**Limited to 100 participants*

DATE: Saturday, April 16

TIME: 9 a.m. (Egg Hunt)

7:30 to 9 p.m. (Flashlight Egg Hunt)

LOCATION: Black Rock Park

COST: \$3 (register online)

Bring your basket to either our Egg Hunt or Flashlight Egg Hunt for an adventure with the Easter Bunny!

*Must supply your own flashlight.

Red Cross Babysitting Course

For Ages 11 years and older

DATE: Saturday, April 30

TIME: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

LOCATION: Township Meeting Hall

COST: \$60

The American Red Cross sponsors this babysitting workshop to teach teens how to be superior babysitters! The class will discuss ways to select safe toys and games as well as how to stay safe on the job and respond to emergencies. Be sure to pack a bag lunch.

Hip Hop Dance Class

For ages 8-12 years old

DATE: Wednesdays, June 1–June 29

TIME: 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

LOCATION: Anderson Farm Park
Amphitheater

COST: \$50

Bust a move and learn funky fast-paced choreography in this Hip Hop dance class! *Class is open to boys and girls. Dress is loose clothing and sneakers.

Mark Your Calendar... Coming Soon!

Movie in the Park – Friday, June 24

Pack up your blanket, chairs, and friends and join us at Black Rock Park for a family-friendly feature in Black Rock Park this summer! The Recreation Department sells popcorn, candy, hotdogs, and refreshments. Admission is free, and the movie begins at dusk.

Summer Concerts – Starting June 2!

We're currently booking our Summer Concerts in the park! Check back with our website www.uprov-montco.org to learn about our exciting lineup of performers! Concerts will be on Thursdays at 7 pm at Anderson Farm Park starting June 2.

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