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### Newsletter





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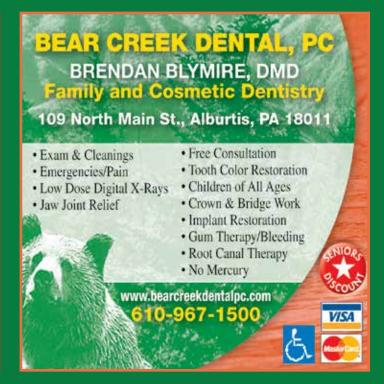
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### BOROUGH DIRECTORY

Macungie Borough Hall • 21 Locust Street • Macungie, PA 18062

On the Web: www.macungie.pa.us Phone: 610-966-2503 • Fax: 610-966-2788

Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Except holidays)

### **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Mayor Ronald Conrad

### **Borough Council:**

Ron Karboski, Borough Council President Greg Hutchison, Borough Vice-President John Yerman, Barry Bloch, Todd Rutledge Lisa Yeager, Carl Sell

Borough Council meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m., except on legal holidays when the meeting is held the following Tuesday.

Macungie Institute, 510 E. Main Street, Macungie, PA

#### **Tax Collector:**

Cynthia Hartzell, 60 S. Chestnut Street, Macungie phone: 610-928-0394

### **BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

Board and Commission meetings are held at:
Macungie Institute
510 E. Main St., Macungie, PA

### **Planning Commission:**

Allen Crawford, Chairperson John Yerman, Vice-Chairperson Donna Kohut, Leslie Lapidakis

The Planning Commission meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., if an application is brought before the board.

### **Zoning Hearing Board:**

Jeffrey Hartman, Chairman Gregory Reinbold, Vice Chairman Justin Huddleston, Terry Kohler and Alan Printz

The Zoning Hearing Board meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., if an application is brought to the board.

### **Borough Authority:**

Jeffrey Stauffer, Chairman Robert Bogert, Vice-Chairman Todd Ritter, Carla Lundgren

The Borough Authority meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

### **BOARD VACANCY AVAILABLE**

WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY?
IF SO, HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED VOLUNTEERING ON A BOARD?
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LETTERS OF INTEREST FROM BOROUGH RESIDENTS TO FILL A VACANT
POSITION. INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD SEND A LETTER OF INTEREST TO:
Borough of Macungie, 21 Locust St., Macungie, PA 18062
or via email to: info@macungie.pa.us

#### Administration

Borough Manager: John A. Brown
Administrative Assistant: Ashley Rinker
Borough Clerk/Assistant Treasurer: Vacant

**Police Department:** 

Sergeant Travis Kocher Corporal Michael Mullen

Officers Todd Bernhard, Matthew Santiago, Kyle Bernhard

Public Works Supervisor: Tracy Smith Waterworks Operator: Douglas G. McNair Public Works: Michael Smith, Ryan Keiser

Macungie Institute Manager: Darlene Misselbeck Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer: Joseph Peterson Engineer: Stan Wojciechowski, PE, Barry Isett and

Associates

Solicitor: Patrick Armstrong Esq., Grim, Biehn and Thatcher

Auditor: Campbell, Rappold, Yurasits

### **Important Telephone Numbers**

Macungie Borough Hall Office: 610-966-2503
District Justice Donna Butler: 610-967-2888
East Penn School District: 610-966-8300
Emmaus Public Library: 610-965-9284
Police, Fire or Medical Emergency: 911
Kalmbach Memorial Park: 610-965-1140
Lehigh County Courthouse: 610-782-3000

Macungie Institute-Community Center: 610-966-7830

Macungie Post Office: 610-966-3672 Macungie Memorial Park: 610-966-4289

Macungie VFW: 610-966-4949

**Police Administration:** 610-966-2222 **RCN Customer Service:** 800-254-1376

Service Electric Customer Service: 800-232-9100

UGI Customer Service: 800-276-2722

PPL Customer Service: 800-342-5775 or 484-634-4900

Tax Collector: 610-928-0394

Verizon Customer Service: 800-483-4600

### **Important Websites**

Borough of Macungie: macungie.pa.us

Kalmbach Memorial Park: kalmbachpark.com Macungie Historical Society: macungie.org Macungie Memorial Park: macungiepark.com

Macungie Farmers' Market: macungiefarmersmarket.com

Macungie Institute: macungieinstitute.com

Macungie VFW: macungievets.com

### **MACUNGIE INSTITUTE**

Greetings! I hope you are all enjoying the warm weather and longer days. I would like to begin this update with a heartfelt "Thank you" to our Public Works Team. They work extremely hard to maintain the Institute throughout the year. The Christmas decorations were beautiful. The sidewalks and parking lot were kept clean and safe through the winter. The spring grass and landscapes are always beautiful. Thank you! I would also like to thank our entire community for the outpouring of kindness during our December community programs. The abundance of participation shown was amazing! We were able to fulfill the wish lists of 45 senior residents at The Willow



assisted living facility in Macungie, provide an overflowing Toys for Tots box for children here in the Lehigh Valley and send out 117 cards for our soldiers. I am looking forward to coordinating this year's giving opportunities! I truly enjoy partnering with local groups and businesses to provide free events to our community. So far this year, we have had the pleasure of partnering with the Macungie Police Department and Out of Our Minds Art Studio for a Painting with the Police event in January, Berkshire Hathaway Fox & Roach Realtors for a New Year - New Home lecture in January, Boy Scout Troop #71 for a movie night in March, Town Beautification for a Spring Fling event in March, and Girl Scout Troop #6931 for a movie night in April. We were also able to offer Family Game Nights and Movie Nights in January, Homeschoolers Board Game meetups and a Ladies Skin Care series in February, Grief Support group meetings and Mahjong classes in March and our first Local Artisans and Crafters Fair in April. May 2nd brings our Love Lives On Greif Support group which meets every two weeks at noon (no RSVP needed), May 4th & 5th bring a community theater Murder Mystery Dinner Theater (tickets required), May 11 is the Learn & Play Mahjong group which meets the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month (RSVP requested), June 1st brings our community Fiber Arts Club and Book Club which meet the first Thursday of each month (no RSVP needed), July 14th at 7 pm brings the highly anticipated Gilmore Girls Trivia Night (RSVP requested). Put this on your calendar for a fun night with your friends! This fall we are planning a quilting class, a music trivia night, Pinochle games, a community blood drive, monthly craft classes, a health lecture series, and a string art class. For our amateur community photographers (of any age), we will be holding a Photo Contest during the Macungie Holiday in December. Keep those cameras out and capture images throughout Borough. More information is available on our website. www. macungieinstitute.com Also, keep the Institute in mind for your upcoming events! We still have a few Saturdays left for graduation parties or bridal showers this summer. The fall has availability for those birthday and anniversary parties as well. I'm happy to help!

Have a great day,
Darlene
dmisselbeck@macungie.pa.us





### TREE OF LIFE KEEPS MACUNGIE INSTITUTE GROWING!

A striking "Tree of Life" wall sculpture is on display in the entrance hallway of the Macungie Institute - A Community Center located at 510 E. Main Street (Rt. 100) in Macungie. The "Tree of Life" was erected with two thoughts in mind. First, with the donations received, the Institute leaders will have the ability to fund different events and provide for future operating expenses. Secondly, donations provide individuals, organizations, and businesses with the ability to have their family name(s), individual's name(s) and/or organization's name commemorated on a beautifully engraved brass leaf or a very distinctive "rock." Gifts of \$75 or more receive an engraved leaf; gifts of \$150 or more receive an engraved leaf with one star; gifts



of \$250 or more receive an engraved leaf with two stars; gifts of \$500 or more receive an engraved small rock (5 1/2" x 3 1/2"); gifts of \$1,000 or more receive a medium rock (7' x 4 1/2"); and gifts of \$2,500 or more receive a large rock (8" x 6"). A number of organizations and businesses who meet at the Macungie Institute have already made significant donations to the "Tree of Life." Individuals have donated in celebration of birthdays, retirements, Christmas presents to family members, in memory of loved ones and in honor of relatives who were former students. This special recognition highlights the fact that many recognized individuals have been a part of the Macungie Institute's past and will now forever be a part of its future! For information on how to make a tax-deductible gift to the Macungie Institute, please email dmisselbeck@ macungie.pa.us or call (610) 966-7830. A Community Center supported by the Community will always be there to serve the Community!

### FRIENDS OF THE MACUNGIE INSTITUTE

The Friends of the Macungie Institute is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, governed by a Board of Directors, that was established in 2012. The mission of the Friends of the Macungie Institute is simple: supporting the Macungie Institute by helping to provide educational and recreational opportunities for the community, provide additional income through fundraising events and by volunteering at special events. "The Friends" consists of members from different stages of life who all share a desire to see the Institute flourish. The events held by the Friends are selected to be both fun for the members and the community, but also financially profitable to meet the needs of the Institute and the community. This year the Friends were pleased to sponsor the free Kid's Flowerpot Craft at the Spring Fling event held at the Institute on March 31st. We also host fundraising Bingo events on April 16th and Sunday, October 1, 2023, at noon. There are cash prizes and raffles, and tickets can be purchased at the door. If you attended the Institute's first Local Artisans and Crafters Fair in April, you probably enjoyed the smells of the grilled hot dogs provided by members of the Friends. The largest event the Friends will be hosting this year is the return of the Macungie Flea Market, previously the Lions Club Flea Market, in partnership with the Macungie Memorial Park. The event will be held on Saturday, May 13, 2023, 8AM to 1PM in Memorial Park. It is free for the public to shop. The first Saturday in December brings a time-honored tradition at the Institute; It's the Friends Annual Holiday Tea. Tickets go on sale to members on September 12th. This sell out event is a fun afternoon of friends, food, raffle baskets, and laughter. The following Saturday, December 9th, the Friends participate as a stop on the Macungie Holiday Scavenger Hunt. If you are interested in joining the Friends of the Macungie Institute, please return the modified membership form below. Members of the Friends enjoy early notification and priority registration for group bus trips and special events as well as a 20% discount on Institute rental fees for one event during the year. The Friends can also be reached at friendsofmacungieinstitute@gmail.com and more information is available on the Institute website www.macungieinstitute.com

### To Join:

Simply complete this Form; Enclose Check Payable to: "Friends of the Macungie Institute" and Mail to: The Macungie Institute, 510 E. Main Street, Macungie, PA 18062

Membership Category:	(circle one)  ♦ Individual \$10/year ♦ Family \$15/year ♦ Business \$25/ year
Name:	
Address:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	





### **REAL ESTATE TAX**

The Borough real estate tax rate for 2023 is set at 4.25 mills on each dollar of assessed valuation of the property. To determine your Borough real estate tax, multiply your total property assessment by 0.00425 (for example: If the property is assessed at \$200,000, multiply by 0.00425 to determine Borough real estate tax of \$850).

### **PAYMENT OPTIONS for Real Estate Taxes:**

Residents of the Borough may pay their taxes by **DROP BOX** at:
Borough of Macungie Tax Collector
60 S. Chestnut Street
Macungie, PA 18062

The Tax Collector will also be accepting tax payments **IN PERSON AT BOROUGH HALL** as follows: From 4:00 – 6:00 PM on the following dates:



MAY 23, 25 & 30 JULY 25, 27 AUGUST 22, 24, 29, 31

OR

From 12:30 to 2:30 PM on the following dates:

MAY 24

JULY 26

AUGUST 23.31

Tax Collector's office hours are BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.

For a tax certification, please mail the request to Cynthia Hartzell, 60 S Chestnut Street, Macungie PA 18062, along with a check for the \$25 fee payable to Cynthia Hartzell.

If you have any questions, please contact the Tax Collector, Cynthia Hartzell at:

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### **MACUNGIE AMBULANCE CORPS – QUICK FACTS**

The Macungie Ambulance Corps...

- Is a 501c3 non-profit organization serving our community since 1955
- Provides Emergency Medical Services for over 40,000 residents in Alburtis and Macungie Boroughs; as well as the Townships of Lower Macungie, Lower Milford, and Upper Milford
- Responded to over 4,900 calls for assistance in 2022. That is more than 13 a day!
- Provides "stand-by" ambulance services for dozens of community events each year
- Is staffed with paid and volunteer members 24 hours a day, 365 days per year
- Has an annual budget of nearly \$ 2,000,000
- Equipment
  - 5 Ambulances
  - 3 Supervisor's / Community Outreach Vehicle
  - 1 Incident Support Unit
  - Various other support equipment
- Supports Public Access Defibrillation Programs for over 20 organizations quarterly. This helps to ensure that over 50 Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) in the community are always ready in an emergency
- Annually provides First-Aid and CPR training for nearly 1,000 emergency responders and community members
- Responds to over 30 large scale emergencies each year as part of a regional task force providing emergency incident support at complex and challenging emergency incidents

Our Vison is "To provide the highest quality community based care." Through the continuing efforts of our dedicated members, and with the support of our community, we will continue to serve for decades to come. Feel free to contact us at (610) 966-2601 with any questions, comments, or ideas and see how we can all work together to make a safer and healthier community!







### SENIOR SERVICES AVAILABLE AT MY DISTRICT OFFICE

By State Rep. Ryan Mackenzie (R-Lehigh)



Rep. Ryan Mackenzie 187th Legislative District

Pennsylvania House of Representatives

Media Contact: Andy Briggs 717.260.6474 abriggs@pahousegop.com

RepMackenzie.com/Facebook.com/ RepMackenzie My district office in Lower Macungie Township offers a variety of free services to older residents of the 187th Legislative District.

We host a Senior Day on the third Friday of every month when older residents can stop by the district office, located at 3402 Brookside Road in Macungie, for help in filling out applications for state programs available to them. My staff and I provide this service at no cost. Please do not think you need to pay a third party for assistance with the forms. Seniors are asked to call the district office to schedule an appointment. Our phone numbers are 610-965-9933 or 833-933-3675 (toll-free).

The Property Tax/Rent Rebate program is one of most popular programs for older residents. The program provides eligible seniors and people with disabilities with a rebate based on the property taxes or rent paid during the previous year. The income limit is \$35,000 a year for homeowners and \$15,000 annually for renters, and half of Social Security income is excluded. The maximum standard rebate is \$650, but supplemental rebates for certain qualifying homeowners can boost rebates to \$975. The deadline to apply for the 2022 tax year is June 30.

Another program we can help with is the reduced vehicle registration fee. Retirees with a total income limit of \$19,200 could be eligible for a reduced vehicle registration fee of \$10 per year through the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. In addition, we can assist with obtaining handicapped placards and SEPTA senior passes. Appointments are required for SEPTA senior passes.

The Commonwealth also offers low-cost prescription assistance programs for older adults called PACE and PACENET. Eligibility requirements for the two programs vary slightly, but the underlying requirements are an applicant must be age 65 or older, be a Pennsylvania resident for at least 90 days, and not be enrolled in the state's Medicaid program. Please contact us for more information.

Finally, we host an annual Senior Expo that brings dozens of exhibitors from local, state, and federal agencies, along with a variety of senior-focused organizations, under one roof where they offer information about programs and services designed to meet the needs of older residents in our area. More information on this year's expo will be available on my website, www.RepMackenzie.com, once our plans have been finalized.

As always, I am honored to have the privilege of serving seniors and residents of all ages. If there is anything we can do to help you related to a state government-related issue, please do not hesitate to contact us.





### **EMMAUS PUBLIC LIBRARY**



### 11 E. Main Street • Emmaus, PA 18049 www.emmauspl.org 610-965-9284



Library Hours: Mon-Thurs 10 am to 8 pm, Fri & Sat 10 am to 5 pm

Spring 2023 - All Events are FREE and open to the public. Library closed May 27-29 and July 4 for holidays Friends of the Library Annual Used Book Sale @ Lower Macungie Middle School April 22nd 8am-2pm

Save the Date: Summer Reading Club Kickoff June 17th 11am to 3pm "All Together Now!" Signups, prizes, food trucks Grateful Dogs & Grubnight & Kona Ice (12-2), games, Butterfly Talk & Release 2-3.

#### **Monthly Adult Events:**

Libby Lessons\*\*. RSVP to Lauri for help with Libby by OverDrive for eBooks and other digital collections. Remember to bring your charged device and your library card to your 30-minute appointment. Days & times vary.

Daytime Book Group\*\*. 1st Tues. @ 2 PM. Some copies available to borrow at the front desk.

Apr 4 The Library Book by Susan Orlean

May 2 Such a Fun Age by Kiley Reid



Pinterest Party: 1st Mondays @ 6pm. All supplies for first 30 people provided. First come, first served.

April 3 Bicycle Wheel Spring Wreath

May 1 Pressed Flower Lanterns

Crochet Club. Wednesdays @ 6pm. Drop in for our weekly crocheting club! All skill levels are encouraged to join in. Bring your current crochet project or get started with advice from more experienced crocheters.



### Notary Public Service\*\*. Most

Thursdays, 4-6 PM. The library is now offering notary services, free of charge, by appointment only for the residents of Emmaus Borough, Macungie Borough, or Upper Milford Township. Please call the library at 610-965-9284 to make an appointment, indicating the type of notarization requested.

Evening Book Group 2nd Tuesdays at 6:45pm

Apr 11th Sea of Tranquility

May 9th A Walk in the Woods

Rep. Wild's Mobile Office. 2nd Thursdays @ 2-5pm. Drop in to meet with a rep from Susan Wild's office will be available for in person constituent services.

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group\*\*. 2nd Tuesdays

@ 10:30 AM. Presented by Alzheimer's Association Delaware Valley Chapter and hosted by Devon House Senior Living, and facilitated by Careen Steele. Please RSVP to careensteele@gmail. com Visit www.alz.org/delval to learn more about caregiver programs and resources.

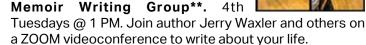


Creative Writing Group\*\*. 3rd Tuesdays @ 1 PM. Join us for an in-person creative writing group with Pat Johnson, a long-time creative writer. The group welcomes those who want to write creatively for fun and/or publication. All are welcome.

Find Your Ancestors\*\*. 3rd Wednesdays @ 5 PM. Sign up in advance for a 30- minute appointment with Chris to get

in-person assistance uncovering your family tree and insight using Ancestry.

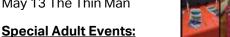
Game Night. 4th Mondays @ 6:30pm. Board games for all ages!



Classic Film Matinees. 2nd Saturdays @ 1pm.

Apr 8 A Raisin in the Sun

May 13 The Thin Man





Computer Classes 1st & 3rd Mondays @ 11am April & May

4/3 Computer Basics

4/17 Working with Apps

5/1 Facebook Basics

5/15 Excel Basics

Cashing In: Your Kids Don't Want It April 6th 11am-12:30pm



Career Coaching Monday, April 10th 6pm via ZOOM

Mini Library Kit. Did you know that National Library Week is April 23-29? Celebrate by creating your own mini library at home. These kits contain tiny books, accessories, wallpaper, shelves, and stickers. You only need glue and scissors. You can keep your creation at home, but we really hope you let us display your mini library at EPL through the end of the month. Limit 2 per family. Ask for a Mini Library kit at the front desk starting Monday 4/17 while supplies last.

### **Monthly Family, Kid & Teen Events:**

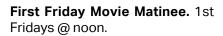
Storytime! January through May weekly Wednesdays @10:30 AM. Toddlers and preschoolers are invited to join us with their adults for stories, singing, crafts, and fun!



**Special Storytime:** April 19-Miss Laura from LC Conservation District presents Buckets Full of Nature!

**Facebook Writing Prompts.** 1st Thursdays @ 7 PM. Join us on Facebook for a new prompt every 15 minutes – write

about each one or save them for later, share your work or keep it private. The choices are yours in this all ages event.



Block Party. 1st Saturdays @

11AM. For all little builders of preschool and elementary ages and their care-takers. Miss Sue will open the block cabinet in the children's wing and we will make amazing things together.

**Teen Writers Group\*\*.** 2nd Thursdays @ 6 PM. Join Miss Sue to write from new prompts and talk about the process of writing – reading aloud not required!

**Books 'n' Barks\*.** 4th Thursdays @ 6:30 PM. Read to the Lehigh Valley Therapy Dogs – no registration needed – bring your own books or choose one from the library.



\*\* Please send Adult Event RSVPs to Lauri by email to epicollection@cliu.

org or call 610-965- 9284 x210, and send Kids & Teens Event RSVPs to Miss Sue by email to eplkids@cliu.org.









### **MACUNGIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The local historical society museum is currently open by chance or appointment. Please call or text 610-965-0372 to schedule a tour. You can also visit our website www.macungie.org or check out our Facebook page for more information.

### MACUNGIE FLOWER PARK

The Macungie Flower Park has become a favorite spot for many Borough residents and visitors. As people pass by, they might say to themselves, "That must take a lot of work!" and they are correct. It takes a lot of work, mulching, planting, and weeding to maintain this jewel of our town. We are very fortunate to have a group of hardworking, dedicated volunteers, but we can use more help! If you would enjoy being part of this ambition group, please contact the Macungie Borough Hall at 610-966-2503 and give your name and phone number or stop on by and speak with one of our volunteers.





\$110 - Adult, age 18 to 61

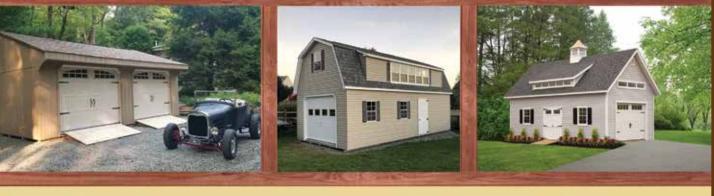
\$75 - Senior, age 62 and above



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### 2023 Calendar of Events\* Macungie MEMORIAL PARK

### May:

- 20: Cruise Night Vehicles start arriving around 2pm. DJ starts at 4pm
- 20: Lehigh Valley Kennel Club Bark Around The Park
- 20: Fast CAT Dog Racing Event
- 27: Pool Opens For The Season!
- 30: Board of Director's Meeting Public is welcome: 7pm downstairs of Memorial Hall

#### June:

- 3: Gem and Mineral Collector Show
- 3: Craft/Vendor Event By The Gazebo
- 4: GM On Display Car Show
- 10: Hello Summer Craft Fair By The Gazebo
- 16, 17: Antique Truck Show
- 18: Happy Father's Day!
- 24: Cruise Night Vehicles start arriving around 2pm. DJ starts at 4pm
- 25: Poodle Club Health Clinic
- 27: Board of Director's Meeting Public is welcome: 7pm downstairs of Memorial Hall

### July:

- 4: 4th Of July Events and Duck Race
- 7: Bike Night
- 7: 7th Backyard Vendor Fair 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.- Free
- 8: Vendor Event By The Gazebo
- 15: Cruise Night Vehicles start arriving around 2pm. DJ starts at 4pm
- 25: Board of Director's Meeting Public is welcome: 7pm downstairs of Memorial Hall

### August:

- 4, 5, 6: Das Awkscht Fescht Antique & Classic Car Show
- 12: Mustang Club Show
- 12: Craft/Vendor Event By The Gazebo
- 19: Cruise Night Vehicles start arriving around 2pm. DJ starts at 4pm
- 19: Craft/Vendor Event By The Gazebo
- 25, 26, 27: Wheels Of Time Street Rod Association August Rod Run
- 29: Board of Director's Meeting Public is welcome: 7pm downstairs of Memorial Hall

### September:

- 9: Cruise Night Vehicles start arriving around 2pm. DJ starts at 4pm
- 10: Allentown Area Corvette Club Show
- 10: Craft/Vendor Event By The Gazebo
- 14, 15, 16, 17: Pocono/Lehigh Valley/Berks Dog Clubs Shows
- 23, 24: Lehigh Valley Fiber Festival
- 26: Board of Director's Meeting Public is welcome: 7pm downstairs of Memorial Hall
- 30: Gem and Mineral Collector Show
- 30: Crafter/Vendor Event By The Gazebo

#### October:

- 5,6: Hatboro Dog Club Show
- 7: Gem and Mineral Collector Show
- 8: Montgomery County Dog Club Show
- 14: Barktoberfest Pet Fair by the Gazebo
- 14: Crafter/Vendor Event by the Monument
- 21: Bottle Collector Show
- 21: Cruise Night Vehicles start arriving around 1pm. DJ starts at 4pm
- 31: Board of Director's Meeting Public is welcome: 7pm downstairs of Memorial Hall

#### November:

- 11: Veteran's Day USA
- 11: Fall Vendor Fair in Memorial Hall
- 18: Craft/Vendor Show in Memorial Hall
- 28: Board of Director's Meeting Public is welcome: 7pm downstairs of Memorial Hall

#### December:

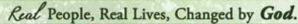
- 2: Beer Collector's Show
- 9: Macungie Holiday
- 25: Best Wishes for Happy Holidays
- 26: Board of Director's Meeting Public is welcome: 7pm downstairs of Memorial Hall
- \* Subject to Change













# LEHIGH VALLEY Church Baptist Church Sunday School

Watch Sunday! 10:30 AM



Sunday School......9:00 AM Sunday Morning.....10:15 AM Sunday Evening......6:00 PM Wednesday.....7:00 PM

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### **Consumer Confidence Report**

PWSID No. 3390033 Macungie, PA. 18062 March 2023



### **About Your Drinking Water**

This Report contains water quality information for the consumers of water provided by your public water supplier, the Borough of Macungie. You will find basic information on where your water comes from, the number of detected contaminants that we test for, information of our compliance with drinking water regulations, and where to find further information about drinking water. Our goal is to help you have a better understanding about the water you use every day.

The source of your tap water is from two groundwater wells. Well No. 1 is located at the Municipal Garage. The well was drilled to a depth of 300 feet. Well No. 2 is located on Lehigh Street, 1,750 feet from N. Church St. The well was drilled to a depth of 430 feet. The water is pumped from the geological region known as the Leithsville Formation. As water is pumped from the wells and allowed to enter the distribution system, chlorine is added to the water to protect the water against microbial contamination.

### **Monitoring Your Water**

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.



All sources of drinking water, including bottled water, are subject to potential contamination by constituents that are naturally occurring or man-made. Those constituents can be microbes, organic or inorganic chemicals, or radioactive materials. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

### We are pleased to report that our water meets or exceeds federal and state requirements.

If you would like additional information about your water, you may contact Douglas G. McNair, Borough of Macungie, 610-966-2503. Public concerns and comments may be expressed at any of the Authority's meetings. The Authority meets at the Macungie Institute, 510 E. Main Street, Macungie, PA on the second Thursday of the month beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Este informe contiene información importante acerca de su agua potable. Haga que alguien lo traduzca para usted, ó hable con alguien que lo entienda. (This report contains important information about your drinking water. Have someone translate it for you or speak with someone who understands it.)

Consumer Confidence Reports will be issued by July 1st of every year.

### **Water Quality Test Results**

As a public water supplier, we are required to test our water on a regular basis to ensure its safety. The Table below lists only the drinking water contaminants that we detected. **The presence of these contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.** Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in the table is from testing done January 1, - December 31, 2022. The Commonwealth allows us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentration of these contaminants is not expected to vary significantly from year to year.

TYPE OF CONTAMINANTS (UNITS)	MCL or MRDL	MCLG or MRDLG	TEST RESULTS	RANGE OF DETECTION	SAMPLE DATE	VIOLATION	TYPICAL SOURCE OF CONTAMINANTS	
	DISINFECTANTS & DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS:							
Chlorine (ppm)	4	4	0.71	0.52 - 0.71	Weekly	No	Water additive used to control microbes	
Trihalomethanes [TTHMs] (ppb)	80	n/a	4.71	4.71 – 4.71	August 2, 2022	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination.	
			ENTRY POINT	DISINFECTANT R	ESIDUALS:			
Chlorine (ppm)	4	^MinRDL 0.6	0.60	0.60 - 1.05	Daily	No	Water additive used to control microbes.	
	INORGANIC CHEMICALS:							
Nitrates (ppm)	10	10	3.46	2.78 - 3.46	Annually	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic systems; erosion from natural deposits.	
Lead (ppb)	*A.L. = 15	0	3.0	No sites exceeded the A.L. out of the 10 sites sampled	June, 2022	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems.	
Copper (ppm)	*A.L.=1.3	1.3	0.142	No sites exceeded the A.L. out of the 10 sites sampled	June, 2022	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems.	
^Minimum Residual	Disinfectant Le	evel (MinRDL)	*Action Levels (A	1 A.L.) are in place o	ו f Maximum Contan	ninate Levels (M	CL's).	
	^Minimum Residual Disinfectant Level (MinRDL) *Action Levels (A.L.) are in place of Maximum Contaminate Levels (MCL's).  **VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (VOC's):**							
We had no detections of Synthetic Organic Compounds.								
Xylenes(Total) (ppm)	10	10	0.0621	0.0621 - 0.0621	October 10, 2017	No	Discharge from petroleum factories; Discharge from chemical factories.	
Toluene (ppm)	1	1	0.0011	0.0011-0.0011	October 10, 2017	No	Discharge from petroleum factories.	
Ethylbenzene (ppb)	700	700	10.9	10.9 – 10.9	October 10, 2017	No	Discharge from petroleum factories.	

We had no detections of Volatile Organic Compounds in our source water. The detected VOC contaminants are the result from special testing we did after repainting the interior and exterior of the water storage tank.

### **Terms and Abbreviations**

In this table, you will find terms and abbreviations with which n/a - not applicable. you might not be familiar. To help you better understand these terms, we've provided the following definitions:

which if exceeded triggers treatment or other requirements our water system. which a water system must follow.

**Level 1 Assessment** –A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine Action Level (AL) - The concentration of a contaminant (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in

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**Level 2 Assessment** – A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and /or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)** - The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The "Goal" is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL)** - The highest level of a drinking water disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfection Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfected below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of

the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

**Minimum Residual Disinfectant Residual (MinRDL)** - The minimum amount of free chlorine in the water we must maintain at each entry point where the water from our wells is pumped into the distribution system.

Parts per billion (ppb) or micrograms per liter - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Parts per million (ppm) or milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

**PWSID** – Our Pennsylvania Water Supply Identification Number.

**Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs)** - A group of four chemicals that are formed along with other disinfection byproducts when chlorine or other disinfectants used to control microbial contaminants in drinking water react with naturally occurring organic and inorganic matter in water.

**Treatment Technique (TT)** - A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

### **Source Water Assessment**

A "Source Water Assessment" of our source(s) was completed by the PA Department of Environmental Protection (Pa. DEP). A summary report of the Assessment was not yet available at time of printing of this report on the source water assessment & protection web page but will be available in the future at, "http://www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/deputate/watermgt/wc/Subjects/SrceProt/SourceAssessment/default.htm". Complete reports were distributed to municipalities, water supplier, local planning agencies and PADEP offices. Copies of the complete report are available for review at the Pa. DEP Northeast Regional Office, Records Management Unit at 2 Public Square, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711-0790.

### **Lead in Drinking Water**

National events about lead exposure have generated new concerns for Pennsylvanians related to the safety of their homes and water. The Macungie Borough Authority takes the issue of lead exposure very seriously by adhering to all federal and state regulations pertaining to the lead and copper rule, which requires that public drinking water suppliers regularly test for contaminants such as lead.

We also want you to know that infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing. If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The purpose of the Lead and Copper Rule is to protect public health by minimizing lead and copper levels in drinking water, primarily by making water less corrosive. When water is corrosive, the lead and copper found in plumbing materials can leach into your drinking water. Pennsylvania's Lead and Copper Rule establishes an action level of 0.015 mg/L for lead and 1.3 mg/L for copper. An action level exceedance is not a violation but can trigger other requirements that include water quality parameter monitoring, corrosion control treatment, source water monitoring/treatment.

The Borough of Macungie is very fortunate to have quality sources of water. The water is naturally neutral, meaning it does not have corrosive properties. As a result, the borough's lead, and copper test results (see the "Water Quality Test Results" table) are well below the action levels as specified in the Lead and Copper rule. To ensure a true representation of our drinking water, the samples are drawn from taps at homes throughout the borough. These homes must meet certain criteria such as having pipes with leaded soldered joints. Another requirement is that the water is left to stand in the pipes for a minimum of 6 hours before drawing the water out to be tested. For more information on lead in drinking water please see the following link on the internet: "https://extension.psu.edu/lead-in-drinking-water".

The Authority has a billing system that will allow you to view and print your utilities bills over the internet. They also have added the ability to pay your bill online, although there is a convenience fee that is charged by the online bill paying service.

To learn more about the water and sewer services provided by the Borough of Macungie please visit the Borough's web pages, "http://www.macungie.pa.us/ws\_about.html", and "http://www.macungie.pa.us/online\_billing.html".

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER FAILURE TO MONITOR ESTE INFORME CONTIENE INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE ACERCA DE SU AGUA POTABLE. HAGA QUE ALGUIEN LO TRADUZCA PARA USTED. O HABLE CON ALGUIEN QUE LO ENTIENDA.

### Monitoring Requirements Not Met for the testing of Total Coliforms and Free Chlorine.

Our water testing laboratory violated several drinking water standards during the spring of 2022. Even though these were not emergencies, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct these situations.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During the last two weeks in May and the first week in June we failed to monitor for the following contaminants and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

What should I do? There is nothing you need to do at this time.

The table below lists the contaminant(s) we did not properly test for during the last year, the required sampling frequency, how many samples we took, when samples should have been taken, and the date on which corrective action samples were taken.

Contaminant	Required sampling frequency	Number of samples taken	When all samples should have been taken	When samples were or will be taken
Total Coliform	3 per month	2	Month of May	Sampling resumed in June.
Free Chlorine	4 per month / 1 per week	2	Month of May	Sampling resumed in June.
Free Chlorine / Distribution System	3	0	Month of May/June	Sampling resumed in June.

What happened? The water testing laboratory failed to collect and test for the required number of water samples for total coliform bacteria and free chlorine residual. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other potentially harmful bacteria may be present or that a potential pathway exists through which contamination may enter the drinking water distribution system. Chlorine is a water additive used to control microbes.

What was done? The water testing laboratory was notified of the failed monitoring. The laboratory reviewed their scheduling procedures to prevent this from happening in the future.

When will it be resolved? Sampling was resumed in June.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

Certified by: Daylee McMan Date: February 7, 2023 For more information regarding this notice, please contact Douglas McNair at 610.966.2503.

Douglas McNair, Waterworks Operator

As a representative of the Public Water system indicated above, I certify that public notification addressing the above violation was distributed to all customers in accordance with the delivery requirements outlined in Chapter 25 PA Code 109 Subchapter D of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP's) regulations. The following methods of distribution were used: This public notice is included with the 2023 issue of the Consumer Confidence Report which is published in the Borough of Macungie's Spring Newsletter mailed out to postal patrons in the 18062 zip code area. The Consumer Confidence Report is also available at Borough Hall and on the Borough's web site at www.macungie.pa.us. PWS ID#: 3390033 Date distributed: Spring 2023

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### YARD WASTE FACILITIES

Borough of Macungie residents now have the choice between Yard Waste Facilities, the Emmaus Yard Waste Facility, or the Lower Macungie Township Yard Waste Facility. Information for both facilities is below.

### **EMMAUS YARD WASTE FACILITY**

Macungie residents may utilize the Emmaus Facility at Kline's Lane and Minor Streets, with the purchase of a Yard Waste Pass for \$20 at Macungie Borough Hall.

### **HOURS OF OPERATION**

March 23- December 3

**Monday and Friday** (7:30am-2:30pm – NO Loading)

**Wednesday** (7:30am-2:30pm – Loading 3:00pm-7:00pm)

Saturday (8:00am-12:00pm - NO Loading)

\*CLOSED ON HOLIDAYS\*

The Emmaus Yard Waste Facility only accepts organic yard waste. NO lumber, root balls with dirt, garbage, dirt, building materials, etc. is allowed. This is not a dump. We request the cooperation of all participants and remind everyone plastic bags, or any other foreign materials are not to be included with the yard waste. Failure to follow any of the above-mentioned instructions or the instructions of the site attendant may result in the forfeiture of privileges. If you observe any violations, please obtain license plate number, and report the incident to 610-965-9288. Your report will remain anonymous.

### LOWER MACUNGIE TOWNSHIP YARD WASTE FACILITY

Macungie residents may utilize the Lower Macungie Township Yard Waste Facility at 5536 Indian Creek Rd, Macungie, with the purchase of a Yard Waste Pass for \$25 from Borough Hall.

#### **HOURS OF OPERATION**

CLOSED MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, AND HOLIDAYS

Jan & Feb (Wed, Fri, Sat) Noon to 5:00pm

March & April (Wed, Fri, Sat & Sun) Noon to 5:00pm

May 1 to 31 (Wed & Fri) 9A-7P (Sat & Sun) Noon to 7:00pm

**June 1 to OCT 31** (Wed, Fri & Sat) 9:00am-7:00pm (Sun) Noon-7:00pm

Nov to Dec (Wed, Fri, Sat & Sun) Noon to 5:00pm

LMT does not allow landscapers, commercial lawn or tree services to deposit yard waste or pick up mulch/humus at their facility. It is strictly for use by private residential homes. If you have hired a service for yard work, your contractor is responsible to remove the waste to an approved site other than this facility. LMT does not allow golf courses, business complexes, etc. They suggest that these enterprises utilize their own waste hauler or other (commercial) sites. Materials are processed into either mulch or humus and therefore must be separated. Yard waste must be removed from bags/ containers. To keep costs down and keep the site clean, please carry out your bags and containers.

#### **PROHIBITED WASTE**

• Pallets • Drywall/Sheetrock • Dirt/Rocks • Landscaping Stone • Bricks • Railroad ties • Trash/garbage/household waste • Plastic of any kind • Dimensional Construction • Lumber (decking etc.)

### **ACCEPTABLE WASTE**

**FOR MULCH** – Branches from trees• Firewood• Limbs/tree stumps (up to 12 in. diameter) • Rootballs (up to 24 in. diameter with soil and debris REMOVED • Woody stems from hedges/Forsythia • Pinecones • Sweet gum balls • Rose plants • Nuts • Ornamental grass • Pine needles • Corn stalks

**FOR HUMUS** – Mowed grass • Leaves • Pumpkins/apples • Straw • Garden plants/garden waste • Flowers/flower plants • Flowerpot soil • Soft hedge trimmings

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\*\*There will be NO charge if a Garage/Yard sale is held at the same time as DasAwk Fest & Wheels of time. A permit application is still required\*\*



### PERMIT INFORMATION

Now that spring is here, many of us will be undertaking outdoor home improvement projects we've been thinking about and planning during the long winter. If you're preparing to start an outdoor project, there are a few things you should know.

The Borough has a Zoning Ordinance and Building Code that contain requirements for many of the outdoor home improvement projects you plan to undertake. Some projects require both building and zoning permits, some require only a zoning permit, and some don't require any permits at all. Below is a guide to permit requirements:

### PROJECTS THAT REQUIRE A BUILDING PERMIT (IN ADDITION TO A ZONING PERMIT)

- Any garage, carport, shed, greenhouse or other accessory structure that is not attached to a single-family detached dwelling and is 200 square feet or larger
- Enclosing a porch or patio
- Installing or building a sunroom or "three-seasons" room
- Constructing a pool house
- Installing a deck that is 18" or more above ground level at any point around the perimeter of the deck
- Installing a deck less than 18" above ground level if it has a roof or covering above it
- Installing an indoor or outdoor hot tub or spa
- · Installing an in-ground swimming pool
- Installing any above-ground swimming pool (including inflatable type) that is capable of holding 24" or more
  of water
- Installing a fence higher than 6 feet
- Installing a retaining wall higher than 4 feet

### PROJECTS THAT REQUIRE A ZONING PERMIT ONLY

- A garage, carport, shed, greenhouse, gazebo, or other structure less than 500 square feet in size
- All fences, regardless of height, except for underground (invisible) dog fences
- Installing an uncovered deck that is less than 18" above ground at all points around the perimeter of the deck
- Installing an uncovered patio
- Installing or expanding a driveway or parking pad

This list is meant to provide you with a quick reference guide. To be absolutely certain if you need a building or zoning permit, or if you have any questions, your best bet is to call the Borough Zoning and Code Enforcement Office at 610-966-2503 or email zoning@macungie.pa.us. We are more than happy to talk with you about your project and look forward to hearing from you!

### **BEFORE YOU DIG**

Call PA One Call System (POCS) at least three (3) business days before you dig at 1-800-242-1776 or 811. Excavators and landowners are required to call the PA One Call System prior to any type of digging with powered equipment. Mark the designated dig area with white paint before you call. Do not dig until all underground facilities are marked by the appropriate utilities. The utility lines will be marked as follows: water - blue; gas – yellow; sewer/drain lines – green; cable; communication lines – orange; electric – red; temporary survey markings – pink.

The purpose of the PA One Call is to prevent damage to underground facilities; promote safety and provide an efficient and effective communications network among project owners, designers, excavators and facility owners.





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