

Radnor Township Annual Report 2004 Moving Forward to New Heights



Radnor Township is proud to dedicate the 2004 Annual Report to the memory of Township Treasurer Bill Gleason, who served the residents of Radnor from 1996 to his sudden, untimely passing in 2004. His compassion, humor, patience, and grace are missed.



nother year is in the books, and what a year it was! 2004 was another busy and productive year for Radnor Township.

Some of our more noteworthy accomplishments included:

- Groundbreaking and construction of the long-awaited Radnor Multipurpose Trail;
- Giving the green light to build a new Township Municipal Building on the existing site;
- Preserving open space through purchase, deed restrictions, and eminent domain;
- An inventory of historic properties throughout the Township;
- Public hearing on proposed historic preservation ordinance;
- Creation of new Transit-Oriented Development district and Mixed-Use and Town Center Residential districts in the Wayne Business District;
- The appointment of a new police Superintendent and promotion of Lieutenants, Sergeants, and Corporal;
- The hiring of land-planning consultants to develop a master plan for downtown Wayne;
- Amending the civil service regulations to streamline the hiring of uniformed police officers;

- Attainment of Tree City USA status for the 11th consecutive year;
- Receipt of the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association for the 8th consecutive year;
- Issued \$17,195,000 in general obligation bonds to fund Capital Improvement Plan; and
- The opening of the Radnor Skatepark.

While the major accomplishments such as those listed above draw a lot of attention, it is often the less conspicuous activities that make our community livable: once-a-week rear-door trash and recycling pickup, clean streets, safe neighborhoods, pristine parks, a multitude of year-round recreation programs, and friendly and helpful staff. Those activities, often taken for granted, are as important – if not more significant – in our measure of the Township's progress.

We owe a great deal of thanks to not only our outstanding Township staff, but also our dedicated corps of volunteers on our 15 Township boards and commissions, all of whom work diligently behind the scenes to ensure the quality of life we enjoy. There is no doubt in our minds that the Township's greatest asset is its people.

We hope you enjoy 2004 Annual Report: Moving Forward to New Heights. Best Wishes,

Harry G. Mahoney President, Board of Commissioners

David A. Bashore Township Manager





Township Board of Commissioners

Harry G. Mahoney

represents Ward 1 and has served as President of the Board since October 2003. Hank is a partner at the Philadelphia law firm of Deasey Mahoney & Bender. He is chair of the Open Space and Personnel & Administration Committees. He and his wife, Jean, have four children and live in North Wayne.

In 1999. Lisa Paolino was the first woman in Radnor history to be elected to a full four-year term when she became the Ward 5 Commissioner; in October 2003, she became Vice President of the Board. She serves as chair of the Parks & Recreation Committee and as a member of the Finance & Audit, Open Space, Public Health, and Library Committees. She and her two children live in Brvn Mawr. She is a former Vice President of Operations for Mace Securities and currently serves as an entertainment and Internet consultant.

Ann-Michele G. Higgins,

elected in November 2001 to represent Ward 2, is a partner with the Philadelphia firm of Rawle & Henderson LLP. She and her husband, Kevin, live in Radnor with their two daughters. Ann-Michele is chair of the Community Development Committee and a member of the Finance & Audit, Personnel & Administration, Public Works & Sewer, and Public Safety Committees.

The Ward 3 Commissioner is William A. Spingler, who was elected in 1992 and also served on the Board of Commissioners from 1970-1971. Bill lives in South Wayne with his wife, Phyllis; they have two children and six grandchildren. He is chair of the Public Works and Sewer Committee and also serves on the Community Development, Open Space, and Finance & Audit Committees. Bill is an associate broker with the Spingler Agency in Paoli.

Enrique R. Hervada, the Ward 4 Commissioner, was elected in 2000. He is chair of the Finance & Audit Committee and also serves on the Community Development, Public Health, Public Safety, and Parks and Recreation Committees. Enrique lives in Bryn Mawr with his wife, Jennifer, and their two sons. He is Vice President of Strategic Alliances for ATX Telecommunications Services in King of Prussia.

Thomas A. Masterson

Jr. is Commissioner of the 6th Ward. Tom, a litigation attorney with the Lundy Law Firm in Philadelphia, is chair of the Public Safety and Library Committees and also serves on the Finance & Audit and Personnel & Administration Committees. He and his wife, Jody, have three children and live in West Wayne.

David Cannan has served as Ward 7 Commissioner since 1999. He is chair of the Public Health Committee and is also a member of the Finance & Audit, Library, and Parks and Recreation Committees. Dave lives in Rosemont and is a painter.

Appointed Officials:

David A. Bashore has served as Township Manager, the Township's Chief Administrative Officer, since 2000 and has been with the Township since 1987. He lives on Spruce Tree Road in Radnor with his wife Kelly and their son and daughter.

Concetta R. Clayton has been Township Secretary since 1987 and has worked for Radnor Township since 1975. A Certified Municipal Clerk, Chet lives on South Devon Avenue in Wayne with her husband of 52 years, Dale, a retired Radnor police officer. They have four children and seven grandchildren (with an eighth on the way).

David G. Blake is Township Solicitor (since 2000). Dave is a partner with the Media/West Chester law firm of Beatty Lincke.



Pictured left to right:

David G. Blake, Township Solicitor; Enrique R. Hervada, Ward 4; David Cannan, Ward 7; William A. Spingler, Ward 3; Ann-Michele G. Higgins, Ward 2; Harry G. Mahoney, President, Ward 1; Lisa Paolino, Vice President, Ward 5; Thomas A. Masterson Jr., Ward 6; Concetta R. Clayton, Township Secretary; David A. Bashore, Township Manager

Community Development

adnor Township's commitment to land preservation and strategic planning took an important step with the hiring of a Community Planner/GIS Coordinator in early 2004. The new planner, Matt Baumann of Wayne, is responsible for conducting research, recommending revisions to land use regulations, and developing and maintaining the Township's Geographic Information System (GIS); he also helps to coordinate the efforts of the Engineering and Community Development Departments, as well as the Township's Planning Commission and Implementation Committee, in implementing the Comprehensive Land Use Plan – the blueprint to guide and control future development in our community. In addition, the planner reviews and recommends updates of existing ordinances affecting planning, zoning, subdivision and land development: coordinates with land owners, the Radnor Conservancy, and other interested stakeholders to obtain conservation easements; assists in the development of a stormwater management plan; oversees the development and implementation of the Township's GIS; and upgrades the Township's base map and layers.

As part of the Comprehensive Plan process, the Board of Commissioners also recognized the importance of identifying the historical assets and cultural resources that have made Radnor what it is today. Thanks to a grant from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, the Township was able to engage consultant Bob Wise of Wise Preservation Planning. Wise surveyed more than 200 properties throughout the



The Wayne Business District is one of the Township's most important assets.

Township – both residences and landmarks such as the Radnor Friends Meeting House, Wayne train station, and Chanticleer – and recommended an additional 88 properties for future study and survey. In addition to being photographed, each property also was surveyed and added to a Township GIS map.

Under the guidance of 1st Ward Commissioner Hank Mahoney, an historic preservation ordinance to protect the unique character of North Wayne - an officially designated historic neighborhood – underwent further review in 2004. Drafted by Dottie Ives-Dewey, former chair of our Planning Commission, and Gayla McCluskey, current chair of our Environmental Advisory Committee, this ordinance is expected to receive further consideration by the Planning Commission and Board of Commissioners in 2005.

Another critical asset of the Township is the Wayne Business District. In 2004 the Township engaged the services of Thomas Cahill Associates and Thomas

Comitta Associates, both of West Chester, to prepare a long-range plan for the Wayne Business District. The consultants and staff initiated the process by organizing the goals and objectives of the Comprehensive Plan, and then gathered additional public input through a series of three working sessions involving the business community and other stakeholders. The Wayne Master Plan, which will be both graphic and narrative in nature, will be accompanied by special Overlay District regulations amending the zoning and subdivision codes specific to the business district. The Master Plan and Overlay District regulations are intended to preserve the unique character and identity and enhance the vitality of Wayne. Ordinances to enact these goals will be reviewed by the Board of Commissioners and are

expected to be in place by the end of this year.

Plan approvals are already in place to comply with the Comprehensive Plan's recommendations to promote transit-oriented development and increase the number of people residing in the downtown Wayne area. In June 2004. the Board of Commissioners passed an ordinance to establish a new zoning classification, R-6 Residential, which permits high-density multiplefamily development when undertaken with strategies to promote transit-oriented initiatives. Under this new zoning classification, developments are required to be located within a close proximity to mass transportation and the Wayne Business District. Plans for the development of 54 condominiums — on East Lancaster Avenue next to the Acme and behind the new Land Rover dealership - under this classification have been approved by the Commissioners.

In an effort to increase the choice of housing opportunities and promote a mix of residential and commercial uses, in October the Commissioners adopted an ordinance allowing for residential dwelling units and buildings which provide a mix of both residential and commercial uses within the Wavne Business District. Both of the aforementioned ordinances point to the increasing demand for dwelling units within the business district that afford the opportunities to dine, shop, or access public transportation within walking distance from home.

At its May 24, 2004 meeting, the Board of Commissioners approved ordinances adopting the provisions of the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code. With



include Code Officials Bill Miller (1999), Dan Smith (1990), and Larry Taltoan (2002), who was appointed as Health Officer in late 2004; administrative assistants Maryann Cassidy (1987) and Amy Lacey (1999): and clerical assistant Julie Rossi (1990).

New zoning classifications will permit mixed-use and transit-oriented development in Wayne.

New streetlights (pictured at left) have been added to downtown Wayne's landscape. An older streetlight is pictured at right.



their passage, these ordinances affect the Township's enforcement of the following codes: Building, Fire, Mechanical, Plumbing, Electric, Fuel Gas, Energy Conservation, Existing Building, Residential, and Property Maintenance. Through the adoption of the International Code Council series of codes, the Township is providing the most updated codes and standards available, ensuring the safest possible buildings for our community.

Radnor Township will administer and enforce the statewide codes for all construction within the Township. Residents wishing to alter or add on to their homes will have to comply with the new codes. Copies of the entire Code series have been donated to the Radnor Library, and are available for review in the reference section.

The Community Development Department is headed by 24-year veteran Mike Fleig. He is assisted by Codes Administrator Bob Loeper (hired in 1990). Other members of the staff

Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee 2004 Accomplishments

Environment and Natural Resources

- Reviewed preliminary drafts of the Stormwater Management Ordinance and consulted with Township Engineer on recommended improvements.
- An educational workshop was held in fall 2004 in collaboration with Radnor Conservancy and Radnor League of Women Voters addressing stormwater management regulatory requirements as well as opportunities for homeowners and commercial operations to reduce stormwater runoff pollution.

Business and Economic Development

- Interviewed and recommended to the Board of Commissioners a consultant to prepare Wayne Master Plan and Overlay District regulations. Participated in three public forums with the consultant to explain the process and gather public input. These forums concluded Phase I of the planning process.
- Amended the Zoning Code's area and height regulations by permitting more flexible front and side yard setbacks for buildings within a C-3 Zoning District that are adjacent to residential districts. This amendment allowed Main Line Land Rover to develop their new showroom at 325 E. Lancaster Avenue in accordance with Township design preferences.
- Amended the Zoning Map to change the zoning classification of 325 E. Lancaster Avenue from CO Commercial to C-3 Commercial to allow Land Rover as a permitted use.
- Amended the Zoning Code and Map by creating a landmark new zoning R-6 Zoning District to permit transit-oriented development. This new zoning district will provide for the creative development of 54 luxury condominiums behind the Land Rover dealership.
- Amended the Zoning Map to extend the R-6 District to include certain multi-family dwellings along Lancaster Avenue of a similar density.
- Amended the Zoning Code by creating new Town Center Residential and Mixed Use Development districts in the Wayne Business District. This amendment allowed approval of a mixed-use plan at the location of a former gas station and residential use within a limited defined area.
- Completion of the Louella Court Gateway; work included expanding the center island leading to the Court and construction of additional islands closer to

Lancaster Avenue to better manage the movement of vehicles. These improvements include new pedestrian crosswalks, benches, and landscape material.

Transportation and Circulation Plan

Board approval of recommendations proposed by a Parking Committee and staff to implement the 2001 Parking Study within the Wayne Business District, including permit parking within the eastern end of the business district.

Open Space and Recreation

The Board of Commissioners has continued its policy to earmark a portion of the transfer tax for the purchase of open space and other park improvements. During 2004 approximately six acres of open space were purchased, six more acres conserved via permanent deed restriction, and an additional 10,500 square feet secured as a public easement.

Historical and Archeological Resources

- Reviewed and drafted revisions to the Historic Preservation Ordinance for further consideration by the Board of Commissioners and public. The ordinance is intended to preserve historical assets within the North Wayne Historic District.
- In considering the proposed Historic Preservation Ordinance, the Committee has modified operating procedures of the Historic Architectural Review Board.
- Bob Wise, principal of Wise Preservation, presented the Board with the results of an inventory of over 200 buildings and structures. Funded in part by a State grant, this detailed inventory expanded on the 88 locations identified in the 1988 Comprehensive Plan.

Institutional Use

Funds have been allocated to allow for expansion of the Wayne Art Center. The approved plan will effectively minimize impact of the development on neighboring uses.

Existing Land Use

Amended the Zoning Map to change the zoning classification of 32 parcels of land (approximately 121 acres) owned by the Township and School District to PLU Public Land Use.

Engineering

marked Year Two of the Township's compliance with the EPA's National Pollution Discharge Elimination System. This program is designed to help municipalities across the nation control pollution from urban environments at the source, thereby protecting our valuable natural water resources. During 2004, Radnor Township issued stormwater management information to all residents by inserting a flyer into the Township/School District Calendars that were mailed in late August, coordinated volunteer programs that addressed water quality, conducted training for Public Works employees regarding the NPDES requirements, and created an educational fact sheet for developers who are licensed to work in the Township.

During 2004, the sanitary sewer installation in the Quaker Lane area of the Township was completed for all 29 homes in that neighborhood, and sanitary sewers for 12 Hillside Circle homes were designed. Sanitary sewers are needed in an urban or suburban environment to protect the health of the public. Septic systems or cesspools must rely on the soil to absorb and treat the effluent. If the soil becomes saturated (because it is clogged) the soil cannot treat the effluent. Typically, the waste will flow overland to the nearest stream, where the waste will pollute the land and the water. This wastewater contains a large amount of bacteria and parasites, many of which can cause serious health issues. Utilizing a sanitary sewer system, however, allows all the waste material to be removed from your property and directed to a sewage treatment plant.

At the urging of 5th Ward Commissioner Lisa Paolino,

homes on Academy and Sulgrave Lanes in Bryn Mawr were connected to public water lines by Aqua Pennsylvania. The water company also upgraded water lines on Maplewood Road to increase water pressure in nearby fire hydrants, thanks to the urging of resident Dr. George Talbot, 3rd and 6th Ward Commissioners Bill Spingler and Tom Masterson, and the Radnor Fire Company. The Township thanks Agua Pennsylvania for their assistances on these two projects.

Township Engineer Dan Malloy also participated in the development of the Darby-Cobbs Creek Watershed Plan, which will result in a new amended comprehensive stormwater management ordinance in 2005. The new ordinance will require new developments to perc a portion of the water running off the site (i.e. recharge the ground water table). The ordinance will also require the developer or property owner to reduce the rate of runoff leaving the property. The Darby-Cobb watershed plan has determined that certain areas in the

watershed must hold back more water than others in order to reduce the flooding in downstream communities. This has required Radnor Township to be broken into three districts, each requiring slightly different amounts of water to be held back.

The Engineering
Department reviewed
304 grading permit
applications, 17 clearing
permit applications, and 28
submissions for subdivisions
and land developments. Six
new lots were created in
2004, and six lot line changes
were requested.

The Engineering Department is lead by Engineer Dan Malloy, who has served with the Township since 1983. Other staff members are Sewage Enforcement Officer and Assistant Engineer Doug Meder (1991), new planner Matt Baumann (shared with the Community Development Department), Construction Manager Burt Grossman (1996) and administrative assistants Sue Jones (1998) and Peggy Hagan (who was hired full-time in 2002 and is shared with the Public Works Department).



Natural water resources are being protected from stormwater runoff through various measures.

or the Radnor Police
Department, 2004 brought personnel changes, promotions, new technology, and interagency coordination during two visits by President George W. Bush and one by Vice Presidential candidate Senator John Edwards, in addition to ongoing community relations, traffic safety, investigations, and training.

In personnel news, longtime Police Superintendent Jerry G. Gregory retired on April 30, 2004. His retirement opened the door for Deputy Superintendent John L. Rutty to apply and be selected for the Superintendent's position. Prior to being named Superintendent, Rutty served for more than seven years as Deputy Superintendent, where he supervised the Patrol and Investigative Divisions of the Radnor Police Department, oversaw firearms programs, managed the hiring of new personnel and all officer training programs, and assisted in annual budgeting efforts. Prior to being named Deputy Superintendent, Rutty also served since 1979 as Lieutenant, Sergeant, Detective, and Patrol Officer for the Radnor Police Department.

Because of Superintendent Rutty's promotion and subsequent reorganization,

Retiring Police Superintendent Jerry Gregory had the honor of pinning the Superintendent hadge on John Rutty.



other promotional tests were administered within the Radnor Police Department, leading to the following appointments: Joseph Lunger and A.J. Antonini III were promoted to Lieutenant; Andrew Block, Christopher Flanagan, and Joseph Maguire were promoted to Sergeant; and Joseph Pinto was promoted to Corporal.

The Police Department is now using the latest technology to process and identify crime suspects, thanks to Delaware County and a grant from the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police Association. As part of a six-agency grant application (Radnor, Haverford, Springfield and Ridley Townships and Darby and Media Boroughs), Radnor was able to purchase three pieces of equipment with a grant of approximately \$100,000 from the PA

Chiefs Association. The other Delaware County municipalities also purchased the new equipment with their share of the overall grant.

The first part of the new system is the Commonwealth Photo Imaging Network, or CPIN. No mere mug shot, CPIN is able to take a suspect's photo and add it to the state's database, which currently totals approximately 400,000 suspects (including Philadelphia and Pittsburgh).

Officers promoted in 2004 include (left to right):
Lieutenant A.J. Antonini,
Lieutenant Joe Lunger,
Sergeant Andy Block,
Sergeant Chris Flanagan,
Sergeant Joe Maguire, and
Corporal Joe Pinto.



Through CPIN, Radnor has access to all of those suspects. The system not only can take a photograph but also can identify facial features, scars, marks, and visible tattoos. In the near future, CPIN also will be able to do facial recognition, allowing officers to enter a photo and have the system search for a match.

The second piece of equipment purchased under this grant is Livescan, an electronic fingerprinting system. With Livescan, officers can record charges brought against a suspect and take fingerprints, handprints, and palm prints (the outside or heel of the hand), eliminating the need for messy ink fingerprints and separate typed charges. Using the same rating system as the FBI, Livescan will verify that a suspect's prints are acceptable. Once a suspect's prints have been approved by the system, Radnor can send the prints and charges to Harrisburg: within 15 minutes, but usually as soon as two minutes, Radnor Police receives a rap sheet with that suspect's name and all prior charges.

Also during 2004, the Radnor Police Department conducted 544 visits to community schools, initiated 985 community contacts, checked 2,312 vacant homes, participated in numerous community events, presented underage drinking prevention information to students at Radnor High School, and issued 3,747 traffic citations. Officers participated in an aggregate of 614 hours of firearms training, in addition to countless additional hours of training on specific matters such as identity theft, mass incident response, interrogation techniques, and street crime surveillance.

Traffic safety is always a priority issue for the Police

Department and the entire Township. In 2004, speed humps were installed on Glenmary Road in Radnor, spearheaded by 2nd Ward Commissioner Ann-Michele Higgins. A new three-way stop sign was installed at the corner of Darby-Paoli and Colony Roads at the urging of 4th Ward Commissioner Enrique Hervada for the safety of nearby residents and all those who commute along that corridor.

In 2004, the Board of Commissioners approved amendments to the Civil Service regulations, changing the way police officers are hired and promoted. In the past, the written exam was weighted 80% for an entry level applicant (with an oral exam weighted at 20%). Now, written and oral exams are given equal importance, and candidates are eligible for up to 30 points additional credit for completing the State Police Academy, possessing a bachelor's degree, and/or being an active or former member of the United States military. For current officers, the oral examination also increased in significance. Formerly, the oral examination was worth 40% of an officer's application for promotion; after the amendments to the Civil Service regulations, the oral examination is weighted at 75%.

In addition to Superintendent Rutty, the Radnor Police Department is led by Lieutenants Tom Flannery (a member of the police force since 1981), Joe Lunger (1979), and A.J. Antonini III (1986), and Sergeants Scott Baylor (1993), Andy Block (1990), Susan Cory (1977), Chris Flanagan (1998), and Joe Maguire III (1979). Administrative assistants include Lynn Ellis (1990), Pat Farley (1987), Lori DeNicola (1988), and Anna Findley (2002).

Database Manager Steve Giancristoforo shows how Livescan is improving police work by allowing for immediate interagency coordination.



With displays of police uniforms, safety equipment, vehicles, and more, the annual Police Open House is a bit with kids of all ages and a way for officers to reach out to the community.



Radnor officers were very involved in securing roadways during two visits by President Bush in 2004.



Parks and Recreation

fter years of planning, ground was broken on June 10, 2004, for the Radnor Multipurpose Trail, a 2.4-mile stretch along the former P&W rail bed. The ceremony was moved inside due to inclement weather; however, in true Radnor Township fashion, soil from the site of the future trail was transported into the Township Municipal Building so that Township Commissioners, state legislators, and Pennsylvania Department of Transportation officials could legitimately break ground on the new trail. From June through the end of the year, PennDOT's contractors - under the vigilant supervision of the Township's Construction Manager Burt Grossman - worked tirelessly to clear and construct the beautiful new trail, which has already become a popular walking, jogging and biking path for residents. Linkages to the trail at Chew Lane, Brookside Avenue, South Wayne Avenue, and Brooke Road have been approved for bid later this year.

Another new and popular Township park is the Radnor Skateboard Park, which opened to great fanfare in October 2004. The 120' x 80' facility, located within Encke Park in St. Davids near the Township Municipal Building, features four quarterpipes, a spine ramp, a pyramid center structure, and other ramps for skateboarding, aggressive inline skating, and BMX freestyle biking. To make room for the skatepark, the Encke Tot-Lot was relocated to an area closer to the two popular Encke baseball fields, enclosed with a safety fence, and made ADA accessible with a paved pathway from the pedestrian bridge that transverses the creek. Also at Encke Park, the satellite dishes previously used by Adelphia

Lois and Ben Sack, at right, present Jody's Cup to threetime winner Andrea Niggemeier. Jody's Cup is presented to the top female finisher at the annual Penn Medicine at Radnor – Radnor Run. At left is the Township's Parks and Recreation Director, Tom Blomstrom.



For the 11th consecutive year, Radnor Township was named a Tree City USA in 2004 for its commitment to trees and comprehensive community forestry program.



and later Comcast Cable were removed; the area now benefits from a picnic area for families and baseball fans.

Clem Macrone Park in Rosemont also received enhancements in 2004. Thanks to the efforts of 7th Ward Commissioner Dave Cannan, several volunteers and Munro Ecological Services and the generosity of Pohlig Builders and Tague Lumber Company, a naturally wet area of Clem Macrone Park was converted to a community wetlands habitat. The project, a first for Radnor Township, was funded by a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. The wetlands habitat is located between the popular tennis courts and Valley

Run and includes natural plantings, native grasses, and sapling trees. A wheelchairaccessible walking deck – approximately 100 feet long and five feet wide – and connected asphalt walkway will allow passersby to enjoy the natural beauty of the wetlands. Educational signage will identify plant species and inform park visitors about the value of wetlands to our ecosystem.

For the 11th consecutive year, Radnor Township was named a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation and received its second consecutive Growth Award for demonstrating progress in its community forestry program through dedicated education and publicity efforts. The

Department of Parks and Recreation also expanded its overall park clean-up program, held annually in conjunction with the Township's Environmental Advisory Committee, and published its first-ever Environmental Calendar.

Additionally, Parks and Recreation went about its business of providing excellent recreational programming for residents of all ages – everything from sports leagues to science camps, excursions, and educational offerings. Programming was expanded in 2004 to include such diverse offerings as Olympic Sports Camp, Candy and

Chocolate Creations, After-School Drama Club, Creative Writing Workshop, and Field Hockey Camp. Through these programs, as well as popular annual offerings such as Summer Day Camp, Parks and Recreation served literally thousands of children and adults in 2004.

Since 1998, Tom Blomstrom has been the Director of Parks and Recreation. He is assisted by administrative assistant Leah McVeigh (1992), program coordinator Tammy Wolford (2001), and intern John Grinarml. The Township wishes to thank former intern Bob Whitehead for his service in 2003-2004.



The 2.4 mile Multi-Purpose Trail features paved and non-paved surfaces for hiking, biking, running, walking, and inline skating.

Open Space

Radnor Township is home to a lush array of parks, playgrounds, and playing fields, spanning almost 600 acres, including land owned by the Radnor Township School District. The acquisition of land for active and passive recreational uses in the Township began several decades ago and continued in 2004.

Last year, the Board of Commissioners acquired or preserved over 18 acres of open space. The Board acquired six acres of land located south of County Line Road next to the Blue Route, known as the Young tract, through the Township's eminent domain powers. The Young tract sits next to the pristine 10-acre Chew tract, acquired from Villanova University in 2000.

In April, the Township joined with another local family, David and Gale Hoffman, to purchase from the Estate of Marion Goff 12 acres of open space along Conestoga Road next to the new Radnor Trail. Under this agreement, the Township owns six acres, and the Hoffmans own the other six with a permanent deed restriction preventing any further subdivision or development. This beautiful wooded lot contains gently-rolling streams and will provide lovely vistas for users of the Trail for generations to come.

The Township also worked hand in hand with two local developers, Michael Main and Jeffrey Pendergast, to set aside about 10,500 square feet of land (a quarter of an acre) as part of the Board's rezoning of the 1.36-acre Savini tract bordering Owens Lane, West Wayne Avenue and Conestoga Road. Under the easement that the developers will provide to the Township, neighbors will enjoy the benefits of a beautifully landscaped pocket park – which will be funded in part from contributions from the Chanticleer Foundation and Radnor Township – that will adjoin eight new gate homes that are expected to receive final land development approval in 2005.

The Radnor Skatepark is a popular addition to the Township's park system.



Informative signage points trail users in the right direction and helps keep everyone safe.



Finance and Administration

hanks to the continued fiscal care that has been the hallmark of Radnor Township, the Township ended 2004 with net revenues totaling \$53,140,354 (104% of what was budgeted) and net expenditures totaling \$34,682,391 (68% of budget) in all funds subject to appropriation (unaudited).

Despite fiscal prudence and cost containment, the Township's combined fund balance in the General and General Reserve Funds nevertheless fell from an historic high of \$8.4 million in 2002 to approximately \$1.3 million at the end of 2004. This significant decline was largely the result of a large decline in revenue growth primarily business privilege, mercantile, and occupational privilege taxes - coupled with significant increases in outlays for employee and retiree health claims and prescription drugs, for debt service on new bonds issued in 2002 and 2004, and for required contributions to our pension plans due to swings in the stock market.

A millage increase in 2004 was necessary to maintain current service

levels, including police and fire protection; reardoor weekly collection of refuse and recyclables; maintenance of streets, storm sewers, and parks; recreational programming; and code enforcement and permitting. The millage increase also allowed the Township to continue its tradition of contributing to all of its agencies. These agencies include the three volunteer fire companies that serve Radnor Township (Bryn Mawr, Broomall, and Radnor), the Radnor Memorial Library, Wayne Senior Center, Wayne Art Center, and Radnor Studio 21. The budget helped prevent further reduction of the Township's fund balance, helping to ensure the Township's high Aa1 bond rating from Moody's Investors Service.

In 2004, Radnor Township was awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 8th year. The Certificate is the highest honor in financial reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association.

The Township's Director of Finance is David Fiorenza,

who has served with the Township since 1990. His assistant director is Bill Martin (2001), who also serves as business tax collector. Ellen McDevitt is the staff accountant and cash manager (1967), Anne Grossman (1975) is payroll manager, Caroline Weisbecker (1986) is the tax and revenue coordinator and Deputy Treasurer, and Melissa Conn (1996) is network and administrative services coordinator.

Amanda Ostrander joined the Township in 2004 as the Robert Crofford Graduate Fellow; she serves as assistant to the Township Manager. Alexis Andrianopoulos is the Township's Public Information and Telecommunications Officer (since 2000), and Jim Doling is Video Coordinator (2001).

In July 2004, John Osborne was appointed Township Treasurer by the Board of Commissioners to fill the unexpired term of former Treasurer Bill Gleason, who passed away (that term ends December 31, 2005; the full term of office for the elected Treasurer is four years).

ACTUAL

2004 General & General Reserve Funds REVENUES BUDGET

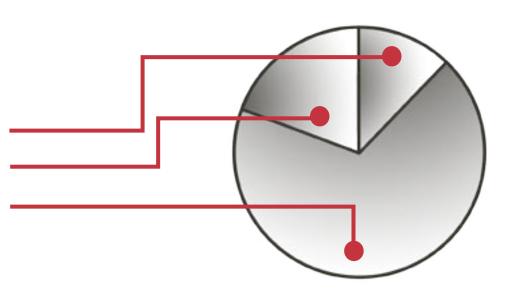
Real Estate Taxes	\$7,540,200	\$7,703,226
Business & Realty Transfer Taxes	\$4,965,000	\$6,628,277
Beginning Balance	\$3,676,744	\$3,205,577
Transfers from Other Funds	\$2,892,517	\$2,442,517
Licenses & Permits	\$1,321,450	\$2,146,613
Fines, Interest, Rents & Grants	\$1,288,839	\$1,519,848
Departmental Earnings, Misc.	\$607,250	\$912,394
TOTAL	\$22,292,000	\$24,558,452
EXPENDITURES		
Transfers to Other Funds, Other	\$5,979,000	\$6,135,490
Protection to Persons & Property	\$5,432,955	\$5,759,748
Health, Sanitation & Highways	\$4,236,896	\$4,404,879
Debt Service	\$1,727,494	\$1,601,940
Parks & Recreation	\$1,486,975	\$1,667,326
Insurance & Employee Benefits	\$1,482,730	\$1,687,283
General Government	\$1,002,250	\$1,030,655
Library & Other Agencies	\$943,700	\$939,653
TOTAL	\$22,292,000	\$23,226,974
NOTE: 2004 actuals are unaudited.		

Millage Rates 2004-2005

Radnor Township 2.79 Mills (12%)

Delaware County 4.45 Mills (19%)

Radnor Township School District 15.64 Mills (69%)



General Fund Revenues 2004

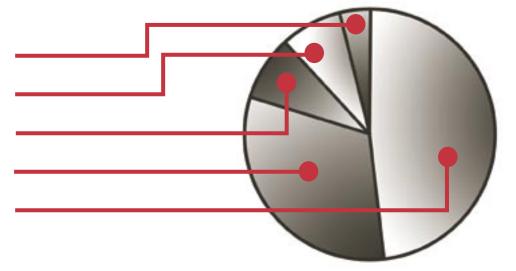
Departmental Earnings, Other \$606,000 (4%)

Fines, Interest, Rents & Grants \$1,249,003 (8%)

Licenses & Permits \$1,321,450 (8%)

Business & Realty Transfer Taxes \$4,965,000 (32%)

Real Estate Taxes \$7,540,200,00 (48%)



General Fund Expenditures 2004

General Government \$1,002,250 (6%)

Debt Service \$1,727,494 (11%)

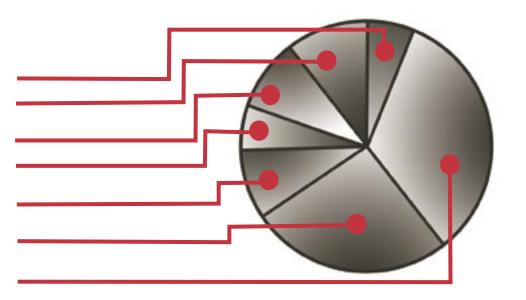
Insurance & Employee Benefits \$1,482,730 (9%)

Library \$943,700 (6%)

Parks & Recreation \$1,486,975

Health, Sanitation & Highways \$4,236,896 (26%)

Protection to Persons & Property \$5,432,955 (33%)



Public Morks

he Public Works
Department of any
municipality typically
gets very little attention...
unless something goes
wrong. Little wonder most
Radnor residents never
hear too much about Public
Works.

This is the department that provides the backbone services most residents take for granted: weekly reardoor trash and recycling pickup, street cleaning, park maintenance, and more. Without Public Works, our refuse would overflow from our yards into the streets, which would never be cleaned or resurfaced. Out of order traffic signals would not be repaired, and sewers – if installed at all – would

simply spill over onto public and private property.

In 2004, the Radnor Township Department of Public Works quietly and efficiently collected and disposed of 11,069 tons of household trash, recycled 7,392 tons of commingled materials, resurfaced 21 roads, planted more than 100 new shade trees and removed approximately 50 dead trees on the rights-ofway, cleaned and repaired all storm sewers, swept all 107 miles of Township roads four times, collected and recycled 12,260 cubic yards of leaves from residents' properties, and plowed and salted all Township roads during winter storms.

The Tot-Lot at Cowan Park in North Wayne benefited from a newly extended stone wall to stop erosion from the Tot-Lot into Gulph Creek. All Township parks, as well as the school grounds, were maintained year-round. All leaves collected from private properties in November and December are currently at Skunk Hollow being composted and recycled into leaf mulch which will be provided, as in years past, free of charge to all residents in time for spring and summer plantings.

Thanks to its comprehensive recycling program, one of the most successful in Delaware County, Radnor Township received two grants during

When it snows or the road conditions are otherwise hazardous, Public Works crews work through the night and day to ensure motorists' safety.



2004 – a performance grant of more than \$145,000 based on the amount of recyclables collected, and a \$94,000 grant to purchase a new loader for our annual leaf collection.

John Stauffer is Director of Public Works, with more than 32 years with the Township. His Assistant Director is Bill Hagan (1982), who also oversees the street maintenance program. Bob Filipone serves as Fleet Maintenance Supervisor (1969), Gary Rohland (1978) is Parks Maintenance Supervisor, Paul Bazik is Solid Waste Collection Supervisor (1980), Bill Farley (1974) is Sanitary Sewer Maintenance Supervisor, and Tim McGurl is Building Maintenance Supervisor (1983). Linda Trosko (1991) is Administrative Assistant.



Each week, Public
Works crews collect trash
and recycling from all
homes in the Township,
according to the
collection schedule posted
in the Township/School
District Calendar.

Township parks maintenance crews care for all Township-owned parks and properties as well as school district properties.



Residential Recycling in Radnor Township

All persons occupying a residential dwelling must separate aluminum, bi-metallic cans, glass, plastic bottles, leaves, and clean paper products from other waste and store these materials until collection at the resident's rear door by the Township. Commingled recyclables must be placed into the recycling container and placed at the rear house line for collection on the designated day (according to the schedule below). Clean paper products must be deposited into a paper shopping bag or tied into a bundle and placed next to the recycling container for pickup.

For definitions on the categories of recyclables, please visit *www.radnor.com* or watch the community bulletin board on RTV10 for more information.

Except for weeks containing a holiday, the trash and recycling collection schedule is as follows:

Monday Trash, District 1

Tuesday Trash, District 2

Wednesday Recycling, District A

Thursday Recycling, Districts B & D

Friday Recycling, District C

Boards and Commissions

adnor Township residents are appointed by the Board of Commissioners to serve on various Township boards and commissions. With the exception of the Zoning Hearing Board, these boards are generally advisory in nature. Below is a list of the boards, along with their major responsibilities, members, and 2005 chairpersons. A list of all board meetings, terms of office, and vacancies is available from the Township Secretary at 610-688-5600. All public meetings of these boards are televised on RTV10 (cable channel 10 for residents with Comcast cable).

The Township would like to thank the following residents whose advisory terms ended in 2004: Wayne Leighton (Planning Commission), John Fischer (Parks and Recreation Board), Peter Brindle (Shade Tree Commission), John Ward (Shade Tree Commission), and Vincent Cerniglia (Environmental Advisory Committee).

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission advises the Board of Commissioners on all plans related to development in the Township and recommends subdivision building standards and zoning enhancements. Its nine members meet on the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. Its current chair is Albert Murphy III. Other members include Matthew Marshall, John Ehlinger Jr., Edward DiMarcantonio, Donald Curley, Kevin Blackney, Caroline Lawlor, Dorothy Ives Dewey, and Thomas Ralph.

ZONING HEARING BOARD

The Zoning Hearing Board is a quasi-judicial body that conducts legally binding hearings and renders decisions on appeals, variances, and special exceptions to the Township's zoning ordinances. The Board has seven members – five regular, one alternate, and one solicitor - and meets on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Kathy Bogosian serves as chair. The other members are James Dolan Jr. (Alternate), Donald Petrosa, Keith Martin, Charles Falcone, Korah Mani, and Solicitor John Ryan.

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

The Parks and Recreation Board advises the Board of Commissioners and Parks and Recreation Department on matters of recreational policy and park and open space development and maintenance. Two of its nine members are appointed by the Radnor Township Board of School Directors. It meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 and is chaired by Robert Higgins. The School District representatives are Mary Young and George Kerschner; the remaining members are James Schwartz, Fenton Fitzpatrick Jr., Katrina Ogilby, Kevin Higgins, Thomas Koerick, and Joseph Ritz.

BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health advises the Board of Commissioners and the Department of Community

Development and Health Officer on matters of public health to promote awareness by Township citizens. Its president is Dr. John Hobson, and it has nine members. The Board of Health meets monthly on the third Monday at 5 p.m., with the exception of July and August. Joining Dr. Hobson on the board are Dr. Diane Harrison, Dr. Joseph Ferroni, Dr. Curtis Lamp, Mark Bullock, Dr. Marilyn Donovan, Dr. Denise Malkowicz, Dr. David Prescott, and Dr. David Walker.

CODE APPEALS BOARD

The Code Appeals Board reviews all building and construction codes and recommends modifications to Township ordinances as necessary. The Board also hears appeals regarding the Township staff's interpretations of the aforementioned codes. Charles Olivo chairs the five-member board, which meets as necessary. Other members are John Dreibelbis, James White IV, Bernard Dreuding III, and Garry Parkin.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

The Civil Service Commission enforces rules and regulations approved by the Board of Commissioners, certifies qualified applicants for positions and promotions within the Radnor Police Department, and investigates matters concerning the civil service provisions in the Township's Administrative Code. It may issue subpoenas, hold hearings, and hear appeals. Its three members and one alternate meet as necessary; its chair is Philip Deming. Edward Flail Jr. and Peter Gibbons-Neff are the other members, and Elizabeth Bradley is the alternate.

RADNOR-HAVERFORD-MARPLE SEWER AUTHORITY

Providing for the treatment of all sewage emanating from the Darby Creek Drainage Basin in Radnor, Newtown, Marple, Haverford, and Tredyffrin Townships is the responsibility of the RHS Sewer Authority. The sewage is treated in plants located along the Delaware River in southwest Philadelphia. Radnor Township has two representatives on the RHM Authority: John Gavin and Jerry O'Connor.

CABLE COUNCIL

The Cable Council is responsible for overseeing the cable television company's compliance with its franchise with the Township, renewing and revising that franchise as necessary, coordinating with potential other cable and broadband companies, and other operational improvements. Its nine members meet on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Thomas Glynn is its chair. Other members include Walter Brenner. Peter Armstrong, Arthur Hartel, James Borden, William Brennan, Joan Cusano (representing the School District). Robert Keller. and Bruce Wilson.

ETHICS BOARD

The Ethics Board hears and investigates any complaints of alleged ethics violations and may render confidential advisory opinions. The board consists of four appointed members and the President of the Board of Commissioners. It meets as necessary. Jacqueline Paolantonio is its chair. Other appointed members are John Aiken V, John Dziedzina, and Robert Main.

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

The Shade Tree Commission is responsible for reviewing subdivision and other building applications for compliance with the Township's shade tree ordinance and for recommending appropriate modifications thereto. The commission also advises the Township on the planning and planting of trees throughout the Township. Its five members, including one representative each from the Planning Commission and Parks and Recreation Board, meet monthly on the fourth Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Howard Holden serves as chair; the other four members are William Thomas, James Ward, Kevin Higgins (representing the Parks and Recreation Board), and Donald Curley (representing the Planning Commission).

DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

The Design Review Board reviews all subdivision and building applications for compliance with the Township's sign ordinance and related landscaping regulations. Its five members also hear appeals regarding staff interpretations of the aforementioned codes. It

meets monthly, on the second Wednesday at 6 p.m., and is chaired by Robert D'Amicantonio. He is joined by Charles Pilkington, James Bradberry, Michael Giardino, and Richard Ranck.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A subcommittee of the Board of Health, the EAC was formed to interact with other boards and commissions on all matters related to the Township's environmental issues. Its nine members include representatives of the Planning Commission, Parks and Recreation Board, Board of Health, Shade Tree Commission, and five at-large members. It is chaired by Gayla McCluskey and meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. The at-large members include Brenda Gotanda, David Prescott, Robin Mann, and Heather Block Reilly. Carrie Lawlor represents the Planning Commission, Dr. Denise Malkowicz represents the Board of Health, and Katrina Ogilby represents the Parks and Recreation Board. Currently, there is no Shade Tree Commission representative on the EAC.

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Formed in 1999 as an ad-hoc committee to advise the Board of Commissioners on the acquisition of land for open space and/or active or passive recreation, the Open Space Committee is comprised of three members of the Board of Commissioners – Commissioners Mahoney,

Paolino, and Spingler – as well as Gayla McCluskey, Steve Paolantonio, Dottie Ives Dewey, John Fischer, Mac McCoy, and Cheryl Tumola. Chaired by Commissioner Mahoney, the Committee meets quarterly or more often as necessary.

RENTAL HOUSING BOARD OF APPEALS

As a result of the Township's rental housing ordinance, the Rental Housing Board of Appeals was formed to consider appeals regarding the Township's Code Officials' determinations in the enforcement of the ordinance. Its three members and one alternate meet as needed. Harris Bock is its chair. David Paolantonio and Peggy Gaskins are members, and Peter Bowen serves as alternate.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

Since the update of the Township's Comprehensive Land Use Plan in 2003, the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee has been charged with overseeing the execution of its hundreds of goals, objectives, and action steps. Its nine members, all formerly members of the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee during the update of the Plan, meet monthly. The committee is chaired by John Simon and also includes Steve Bajus, Dottie Ives Dewey, John Fischer, Wayne Leighton, Robin Mann, Mac McCoy, Steve Paolantonio, and Cheryl Tumola.

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