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**Spring/Summer 2024**

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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  
Barry Bloch, Carl Sell, John Yerman,  
Robert Rozak, Jr., Todd Ritter

*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  
Donna Kohut, Vice-Chairperson  
Carl Sell, Glenn Granitz, Michael Hinkle

*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:**

Gregory Reinbold, Vice Chairman  
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, Lorraine Walters

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

## **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, Matthew Miklich, Cole Surridge

**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

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## **Important Websites**

**Borough of Macungie:** [macungie.pa.us](http://macungie.pa.us)

**Kalmbach Memorial Park:** [kalmbachpark.com](http://kalmbachpark.com)

**Macungie Historical Society:** [macungie.org](http://macungie.org)

**Macungie Memorial Park:** [macungiepark.com](http://macungiepark.com)

**Macungie Farmers' Market:** [macungiefarmersmarket.com](http://macungiefarmersmarket.com)

**Macungie Institute:** [macungieinstitute.com](http://macungieinstitute.com)

**Macungie VFW:** [macungievets.com](http://macungievets.com)

## **BOARD VACANCY AVAILABLE**

Would you like to make a difference in your community? If so, have you ever considered volunteering on a board? 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](mailto:info@macungie.pa.us)



# 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

**\*\*Lower Macungie Township offers loading while supplies last. Currently there is a \$25 fee per loader scoop. This charge could change without prior notice. \*\***

**\*\*VEHICLES OVER 10 TON and TRI-AXLE VEHICLES are PROHIBITED\*\***

**\*\*Lower Macungie Township reserves the right to disallow and/or refuse entry to anyone that they believe could be involved in commercial enterprises and/or who are in direct conflict with our policies. \*\***



## YARD SALE

**\$6.00 per day • \$12 for 3 days**

**\*\*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\*\***

## Keep Macungie Looking Nice!!

Please pull the weeds in your sidewalk and at the curb; your grass must be kept under 10" in height. It's your responsibility, and it keeps **OUR** Borough looking nice!



## Macungie Farmers Market



The Macungie Farmers Market will be opening for its 18th season on Thursday, May 16th, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. through Thursday, October 31st, rain, or shine, on Lumber Street.

The Macungie Farmers Market hosts local growers/producers of fresh fruits and vegetables, along with artisans of handcrafted products such as baked goods, pierogis, cooking oils, wines, craft beers, fudge, peanut butter, dried herbs and teas, and handmade crafts.

The Market has lots of events planned for the 2024 Season. Cooking demonstrations and Kid's Corner are returning.

When you support the Macungie Farmers Market, you support local farmers, businesses, and independent artisans and crafters. The Macungie Farmers Market is rooted in the Macungie Community. Please come and join us at the Macungie Farmers Market for good times and good food.

For more information on the Macungie Farmers Market go to our website at [www.macungiefarmersmarket.com](http://www.macungiefarmersmarket.com). You can also follow the Market on Facebook and Instagram.



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Save the date: Friday, May 17, 2024

Before we know it, it will be time to plant our beautiful Flower Park! We would love your help. All are welcome!



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## Macungie Ambulance Corps – Quick Facts



The Macungie Ambulance Corps . . .

- Has been 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
- Responds to over 5,000 calls for assistance annually
- Provides “stand-by” services for dozens of community events each year
- Annual operating budget of over 2 million dollars; much of which is funded by community donations!
- Equipment
  - 5 Ambulances
  - 1 Supervisor’s / Community Outreach Vehicle
  - 1 Special Operations Vehicle
  - 1 ATV, 2 Bicycles, 2 Support Trailers
- 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 incidents throughout the region each year providing emergency responder rehabilitation as part of their special operations program

The vision of the Macungie Ambulance Corps is “To provide the highest quality community-based care.” Through the continuing efforts of their dedicated members, and with the support of our community, the Macungie Ambulance Corps will continue to serve our community for decades to come. Feel free to contact them 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!

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The Borough of Macungie would like to thank the businesses that appear in this newsletter and recognize them each as a supporter and cornerstones of our community. For it is with their contributions that this newsletter has been produced at no charge to our residents. The Borough would like to further request that citizens, in response, patronize these businesses first when given a choice as these businesses are saving each citizen tax dollars.



MACUNGIE PARK PRESENTS...



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We also hold a yearly community "open house" at our Brandywine Station. This year's event, being held on Saturday, October 12, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., is a good time to meet your fire team and see the equipment that they use. As 2024 marks our 100th anniversary, this "open house" will be bigger and better than ever, so please stop by with the kids!

In addition to covering Macungie Borough, The Lower Macungie Fire Department is also designated as the primary fire service provider for Lower Macungie Township as well as the Borough of Alburdis. We provide those services, with a staff of over fifty members, by responding out of three fire stations. Those stations are:

**Wescosville** – 958 Brookside Road in Wescosville (Lower Macungie Township)

**Brandywine** – 6229 Sauerkrut Lane in Macungie (Lower Macungie Township)

**Alburdis** – 328 South Main Street in Alburdis (Alburdis Borough)

For you, nothing changes if you need assistance: call 911 for an emergency or 610-437-5252 for a non-emergency. If you merely have a question or inquiry that does not need an immediate response, then please call 610-398-0996 or email [info@firestation30.org](mailto:info@firestation30.org) and someone will get back to you, typically within a few hours.

The Lower Macungie Fire Department also partakes in an annual fund-raising effort by sending letters in the mail to the residents and businesses that we cover. This mailer will be sent out in early April. We respectfully ask that you consider making a financial contribution to assist us in maintaining our level and quality of service. Simply put.....we need one another to get the job done!

Please take note that we do not solicit by phone. Phone calls asking for a donation do not benefit The Lower Macungie Fire Department and therefore will not benefit you.

Lastly, if you would like to volunteer your time to assist The Lower Macungie Fire Department, please visit our website at: [www.firestation30.org](http://www.firestation30.org) and look for the "recruitment contact form" link on the home page. You can also email us at: [info@firestation30.org](mailto:info@firestation30.org), call 610-398-0996 (non-emergency), reach us on Facebook at Lower Macungie Fire Department, or through Instagram at @lmfd30

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# What is an MS4?

You may have heard the acronym MS4 mentioned in conversation but have no idea what it means. MS4 is a bit of a catchword these days. MS4 stands for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System. The MS4 is a system of conveyances, generally owned by a public entity (e.g., Borough of Macungie, PennDOT, or the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission), that discharges stormwater runoff to waters of the Commonwealth. The system is designed specifically to collect or convey stormwater, and only stormwater. Anything that enters a system that is not entirely composed of stormwater is considered an illicit discharge!

The storm sewer system is not a combined sewer system. The Borough's stormwater conveyance system, unlike the sanitary sewer system, conveys surface water runoff from rain, irrigation, and outdoor water use directly to our waters without treatment. The conveyance system includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Catch basins
- Gutters
- Sidewalks
- Detention & retention ponds
- Man-made channels
- Vegetated swales
- Curbs
- Infiltration beds
- Streets
- Ditches
- Rain gardens

In the Borough of Macungie, the stormwater conveyance system ultimately discharges to the Lehigh River, which then flows to the Delaware River. In our Borough, the MS4 is monitored for erosion, flooding, and hazardous spills to ensure the best quality runoff into our waterways. **Please be mindful of what you allow to enter the storm sewer system!**

## ILLICIT DISCHARGE DETECTION & ELIMINATION (IDD&E)

As per Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) regulations, Borough of Macungie is required to implement and administer a program for the detection, elimination, and prevention of illicit discharges into our regulated Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4). Examples of illicit substances include:

- *Automobile oil*
- *Chlorinated pool water*
- *Construction site runoff*
- *Laundry wash water*
- *Paint*
- *Septic system drainage*
- *Grease generated by food preparation in commercial operations*
- *Household chemical products*
- *Yard waste (including grass clippings)*
- *Sanitary waste (among other things)*

## E&S (Erosion & Sediment) CONTROL HOTLINE

If stormwater is "cloudy" or "dirty" and originates from an area of active earth disturbance, you will receive the quickest response by contacting the Lehigh County Conservation District at 610-391-9583. The Conservation District is responsible for investigating all erosion and sediment control concerns relating to active construction sites on behalf of the Borough. Please provide your name, address, telephone number, and the specific location of the origin of the sediment-laden runoff.

## IDD&E HOTLINES

If you witness a potential illicit discharge into the waters of the Commonwealth or any other event that could adversely affect water quality, we ask that you contact the Lehigh County Office of Emergency Services immediately by dialing 610-437-5252. You may also notify the Borough at 610-966-2503 and/or DEP's Bethlehem Office at 610-861-2070. Again, please be sure to reach out as soon as you witness an event. As time passes, it becomes increasingly difficult to trace the source of the event.





On December 13th, the Friends' Bus Trips restarted with a fun filled day in Lancaster. Everyone had a great time!



Friends Fall Bingo at Macungie Memorial Park



We would like to thank all of our members for a wonderful 2023! We look forward to the 2024 events, and hope that you will join us. If you are interested in becoming a Friend of the Macungie Institute, or would like more information about our events, please call the office at 610-966-7830 or visit our website: [www.macungieinstitute.com](http://www.macungieinstitute.com).



UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 7 - Bingo 1PM

Doors open at 12pm. Macungie Memorial Park

May 11 - Macungie Flea Market 8am - 1pm

Vendor registration closes April 1st.

June 19 - Bus Trip to Lancaster - Sight & Sound Daniel  
\$160 includes transportation, lunch, show & gratuities

September 14 - Old Macungie School Class Reunion  
Save the date! More details to follow.



# Macungie Memorial Park Pool

macungiefunpool@gmail.com

Pool will be open for the 2024 season Saturday, May 25.

### Hours:

Weekdays May 25 to September 2: ..... 12:00 pm to 8:00 pm  
Toddler Time: ..... 11am to 12pm Weekdays  
Saturday and Sunday: ..... 11am to 8pm

### Adjusted Hours:

May 30 to June 2, June 5-9: ..... 2pm to 8pm  
August 28 - 31: ..... 3pm to 7pm  
September 1 to September 4: ..... 11am to 7pm  
*Weather conditions affect pool hours.*

### Daily Admission:

Adults: \$8  
18 and Under: \$6  
Senior: \$6

### 2023 Season Pass Rates

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We enjoyed a busy Fall and Winter at the Institute!  
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Holiday Cards  
for Our Soldiers



Wine & Cheese  
Tasting



Self Defense  
Class for Seniors



Charcuterie Board  
Class



Painting with  
the Police

## Upcoming Events

April 17  
Charcuterie Board Class

April 20  
Community Blood Drive

April 27  
Local Artisan & Craft Fair

Weekly Wednesday  
Adult Pinochle & Mahjong

First Thursday, Monthly  
Book Club

Visit the website for event  
information.

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# Consumer Confidence Report

March 2024

Macungie, PA. 18062

PWSID No. 3390033



## 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 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, through December 31, 2023. 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
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### DISINFECTANTS & DISINFECTION BY-PRODUCTS:

Chlorine (ppm)	4	4	0.73	0.66 - 0.73	Weekly	No	Water additive used to control microbes.
Trihalomethanes (THHM's) (ppb)	80	n/a	14.10	14.10 - 14.10	August 1, 2023	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination.



TYPE OF CONTAMINANTS (UNITS)	MCL or MRDL	MCLG or MRDLG	TEST RESULTS	RANGE OF DETECTION	SAMPLE DATE	VIOLATION	TYPICAL SOURCE OF CONTAMINANTS
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	60	n/a	3.35	3.35 – 3.35	August 1, 2023	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
<b>ENTRY POINT DISINFECTANT RESIDUALS:</b>							
Chlorine (ppm)	4	^MinRDL 0.60	0.60	0.60 – 1.10	Daily	No	Water additive used to control microbes.
<b>INORGANIC CHEMICALS:</b>							
Nitrates (ppm)	10	10	3.30	2.84 – 3.30	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.

We had no detection of Synthetic Organic Compounds (SOC's). We had no detection of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC'S).

^Minimum Residual Disinfectant Level (MinRDL)

\*Action Levels (A.L.) are in place of Maximum Contaminate Levels (MCL's).

### Terms and Abbreviations

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

**Action Level (AL)** - The concentration of a contaminant which if exceeded triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

**n/a** - not applicable.

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

**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.

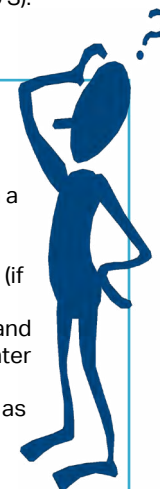
**Parts per billion (ppb) or micrograms per liter** - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

**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, "<https://www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/deputate/watermgmt/wc/Subjects/SrceProt/SourceAssessment/default.htm>". Complete reports were distributed to municipalities, water suppliers, 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](http://www.macungie.pa.us/ws_about.html)", and "[http://www.macungie.pa.us/online\\_billing.html](http://www.macungie.pa.us/online_billing.html)".

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### PAYMENT OPTIONS for Real Estate Taxes:

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Borough of Macungie Tax Collector  
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July 23, 24, 30, 31  
August 20, 21, 27, 28*

**12:30 – 2:23 PM**  
*MAY 23, 30  
July 25  
August 22, 29*

For a tax certification, please mail the request to Cynthia Hartzell, 60 S. Chestnut St., Macungie PA 18062, along with a check for \$25.00 payable to Cynthia Hartzell.

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

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#### A Note From Your Library Director:

I'm Lisa Underwood, your new library director at Emmaus Public Library. I've received a very warm welcome from the library's excellent staff, volunteers, and loyal library users since I arrived at the library in January, and I am looking forward to meeting more of the EPL community in the future.

I most recently worked as the Youth Services Director at the Lower Macungie Library, and I have over 20 years of experience working in public libraries here in the Lehigh Valley. My new role at the Emmaus Public Library has felt like a homecoming for me, as an Emmaus High School graduate and an Emmaus Public Library user during my youth.

On behalf of the board of trustees, staff and volunteers, I'd like to thank Lauri Miller for serving as interim director the past several months in addition to her role as adult services librarian. Not only did she skillfully manage the myriad day-to-day operations -- from overseeing the installation of a new computer server to securing board approval of the 2024 budget -- but she has been indispensable in helping me get up and running quickly in my new role.

The Emmaus Public Library is proud to be the home library for the Macungie Borough. If you haven't visited us recently, we encourage you to stop in and say hello! We offer a large collection of print materials for you to borrow, as well as DVDs, audiobooks, puzzles, museum passes, and mobile hotspots (to just name a few things!). Our friendly and knowledgeable staff and volunteers are available to help get you a library card, find the perfect book, or answer your questions. From Book Discussions to storytime to crafts - our calendar is filled with fun and educational free events for all age groups. Can't make it into the library? Our virtual branch is available 24/7 online at [www.emmauspl.org](http://www.emmauspl.org), where you can access ebooks, e-audiobooks, online resources, digital magazines, and movies and television programs to stream. And, as a member library of the Lehigh Carbon Library Cooperative, your library card provides access to 12 different public libraries throughout Lehigh and Carbon counties!

We can't wait to see you at the Emmaus Public Library!

## 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.

March 5 The Paris Library by Janet Skeslien Charles

April 2 Caleb's Crossing by Geraldine Brooks

May 7 Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil by John Berendt

**Evening Book Group\*\*:** 2nd Tuesdays @ 6:45 p.m. in person.

March 12 Code of the Woosters by P.G. Wodehouse

April 9 Squeeze Me by Carl Hiaasen

May 14 You'll Never Believe What Happened to Lacey by Amber Ruffin

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

**Career Coaching** 2nd Mondays @ 6pm via video conferencing appointment one-on-one with Bill Miner of Careerlink.

**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.

**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 South Mountain Memory Care, and facilitated by Careen Steel, CDP. Please RSVP to Register at 610-965-7662 or email [careensteel@gmail.com](mailto:careensteel@gmail.com)

**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.

**Movie Group** 3rd Tuesday @ 5:30 p.m. for an in-depth analysis of a different movie each month. Ideas and open discussion are encouraged. Refreshments will be provided. RSVP to [epstaff@cliu.org](mailto:epstaff@cliu.org), by calling (610)-965-9284, or at the front desk.

April 16 Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark

May 21 Red Sun directed by Terence Young

**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.com.

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

**Memoir Writing Group\*\*.** 4th Tuesdays @ 1 PM. Join author Jerry Waxler and others on a ZOOM videoconference to write about your life.



## SPECIAL ADULT EVENTS



**U Financial Literacy\*\*** Thursday, March 14th @ 10:30 am. Join a representative from Fulton Bank in Emmaus to learn more about budgeting, investing, borrowing, taxation, and personal financial management.

**Adult Show & Tell** Monday, March 18th @ 6:00pm. Show & tell isn't just for kids! Share those small objects with big meaning, whether it's a collectible figurine, hobby item, souvenirs from a trip, or a favorite book. If there's an item that's too big to bring, then bring a photograph. Light refreshments available. Drop in.

**Dementia Caregiving Program\*\*** Thursday 4/25 @ 10:30 a.m. Carol Frawley, a representative with Care Patrol, will speak about how to better interact with and be a friend to someone with dementia. She will provide relevant and helpful resources to help meet the needs of those seeking information about dementia.

**Opioid Abuse Prevention** Thursday 5/23 @ 10:30 a.m. A representative from the Allentown Health Bureau will discuss how to recognize, prevent, and seek assistance for those experiencing opioid dependence. Drop in.

## MONTHLY FAMILY, KID & TEEN EVENTS



**Storytime!** Weekly Wednesdays @10:30 AM. Spring storytime runs from March 27th through May 15th! Toddlers and preschoolers are invited to join us with their adults for stories, singing, crafts, and fun!

**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 all year round (whenever the library is open!). 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.

Check out the **Francee Fuller Memorial STEM table** (by the front door, a different activity each month!), the Lehigh Valley Art Alliance gallery (throughout the Children's Wing, local artists, every month!), and the Creative Play Area in the Children's Wing! These areas are open whenever the library is!

## SPECIAL YOUTH EVENTS



### Early Afternoon Wednesdays!

**Wednesday, March 20th,** 2:30 to 3:30 pm. Free Martial Arts Lesson for Elementary aged library users by the Lehigh Valley Martial Arts in the lecture room! Drop in, and learn some moves!

**Wednesday, April 17th,** 2:30 to 3:30 pm. We're celebrating National Poetry month with a Writing Workshop for Elementary aged library users – at the Stadium Steps in the Young Adult area, we'll be writing poems and Flash Lit (very short pieces). Drop in!

**Wednesday, May 29th,** 2:30 to 3:30 pm, Buckets Full of Nature! Join Laura Hopek from the Lehigh County Conservation District in an exploration of birds, and how to identify them! Drop in, for Elementary aged library users!



**Family Place Library Parent Child Workshops** Thursdays 2:00 to 3:30 pm, August 8th through September 5th. Please RSVP for children 1 to 3 years old, their siblings, and their caregivers.

**Pen and Ink Workshop for Young Adults** April 18th at 6 pm, Margie Kavchok will be presenting a beginner pen and ink workshop for 6th grade and up in the lecture room. There's limited room (10 only), so sign up ahead of time at the circulation desk, or to Miss Sue's email!

**May the 4th Be With You – Make a Spaceship!** Saturday, May 4th, from 2 to 3 pm, we'll be creating our own spaceships out of recycled materials! All ages, but younger library users (preschool through 2nd grade) must have an adult with them to handle the hot glue gun. In the lecture room, drop in!

**\*\* Please send Adult Event RSVPs to Lauri by email to [epcollection@cliu.org](mailto:epcollection@cliu.org) or call 610-965- 9284 x210, and send Kids & Teens Event RSVPs to Miss Sue by email to [epkids@cliu.org](mailto:epkids@cliu.org).**



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