



## June 2022 e-Newsletter

### ABC Appreciation Picnic, Route 45 Getaways Funding, Public Works Week 2022 & More!

#### Authorities, Boards, & Commissions Appreciation Picnic Held on June 2, 2022



Authorities, Boards, and Commissions members attended the picnic at the Ferguson Township Public Works Building and with all Ferguson Township Supervisors in attendance.

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#### Ferguson Township Upcoming Events

**June 13**

[Planning Commission  
Regular Meeting](#)

**June 14**

[Board of Supervisors Work  
Session](#)

**June 20**

[Juneteenth Observation -  
Ferguson Township Official  
Holiday](#)

**June 21**

[Tree Commission Regular  
Meeting](#)

**June 21**

[Board of Supervisors  
Regular Meeting](#)

**June 23**

[Pine Grove Mills Small Area  
Plan Advisory Committee  
Meeting](#)

**June 27**

[Planning Commission  
Regular Meeting](#)

**July 5**

[Board of Supervisors  
Regular Meeting](#)

**July 11**

[Planning Commission  
Regular Meeting](#)

## Administration News

### ABC Appreciation Picnic Held at Public Works Building #6

On June 02, 2022, Ferguson Township hosted its first in-person [Authorities, Boards, & Commissions](#) (ABC) Appreciation Picnic since 2019 at the new Public Works Building.

The event is normally held every year by the township, and is meant to give thanks to the dedicated volunteer community members that serve on various ABCs for Ferguson Township.



Laura Dinnini, Chair of the Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors, provides opening remarks at the 2022 ABC Picnic.



**Board of Supervisors Roster 2022** (Left to Right: Supervisor Strickland, Supervisor Williams, Chair Dininni, Supervisor Caldwell, & Supervisor Stephens)



Pam & Doug Ford of the [Snetsinger Butterfly Garden](#), Keynote Speakers for the event, provided a remote presentation on all the environmental work they do in the Township and the Centre Region.

The event was coordinated by Township staff and volunteers, along with catering provided by the Twilight Diner BBQ food truck.

Ferguson Township greatly appreciates all our tireless and committed volunteers who serve the Township and our community on the ABCs, and looks forward to future events to show appreciation for our volunteers.

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## Accepting Applications for ABC Vacancies!

Are you a Ferguson Township resident and interested in serving your community?

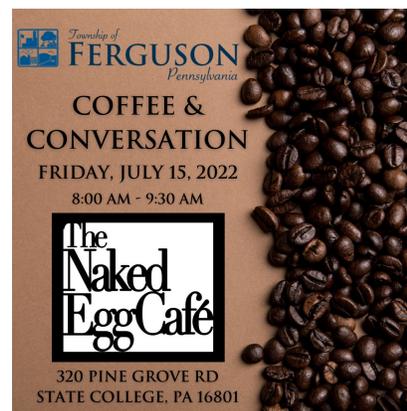


Ferguson Township is accepting applications from residents to serve as volunteers [to fill vacancies](#) on the following Authorities, Boards, Committees, & Commissions:

- [Parks & Recreation Committee](#)
- [Zoning & Hearing Board \(Ward I\)](#)
- [C-NET Representative](#)

## Coffee & Conversation Set for July 15th, 2022 @ The Naked Egg Cafe

Join Ferguson Township staff and elected officials to discuss issues and



happenings in Ferguson Township on Friday, July 15th from 8:00am to 9:30am at The Naked Egg in Pine Grove Mills.

This event does not require an RSVP, and is meant to be a welcoming, open forum for residents and

If interested, please fill out our [ABC Application Form](#) and email to [admin@twp.ferguson.pa.us](mailto:admin@twp.ferguson.pa.us) or mail to:

**Township Manager  
Ferguson Township  
3147 Research Drive  
State College, PA 16801**

Applications should be submitted by the end of June 2022 for consideration.

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staff of the Township to dive into issues most important to them.

Click the link below for the Facebook event with further details!

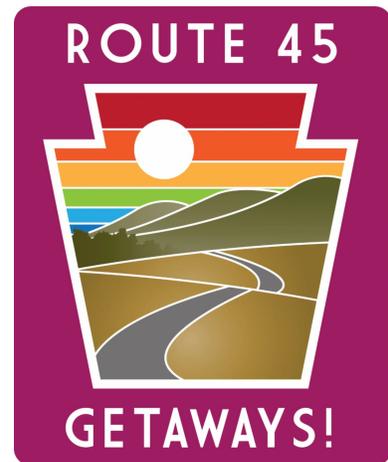
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## **Happy Valley Adventure Bureau Announces \$8K Grant for Ferguson Township to Promote Route 45 Getaways**

A partnership between the Happy Valley Adventure Bureau and the Chamber of Business and Industry of Centre County, known as Happy Valley AgVentures, awarded over \$220,000 to twenty-seven Centre County farms, farm stands and agricultural businesses to enhance their visitor experience.

Of those twenty-seven awardees was Ferguson Township, which was awarded:

"Ferguson Township – \$8,000 for infrastructure needs for Route 45 Getaways participants, Tourist Oriented Directional (TOD) signage, banner displays"



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## **Regional & Community News + Events**

### **Advisory Committee for Policing and Communities of Color Presents at Board of Supervisors Meeting**

At the Board of



Supervisors Regular Meeting held on Monday, May 16, 2022, Charima Young, Assistant Vice President for Local Government and Community Relations at Penn State, along with Dr. SeriaShia J. Chatters, Adjunct Associate Teaching Professor (CNED) & Director of Equity and Inclusivity of State College Area School District, led a presentation on behalf of the Advisory Committee

### **Snetsinger Butterfly Garden Seeking Volunteers for "The Hive"**

Worker Bees Wanted! The Snetsinger Butterfly Garden welcomes community members interested in assisting with the



[snetsingerbutterflygarden.org](http://snetsingerbutterflygarden.org)

care of our demonstration gardens in Tudek Park. As a member of "The Hive", you'll work alongside Penn State Extension Master Gardeners, planting and caring for the SBG's beautiful pollinator-

for Policing and Communities of Color to the Board of Supervisors.

[READ MORE HERE!](#)

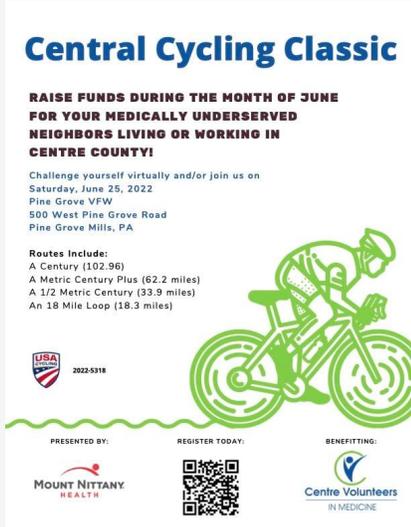
friendly gardens. Enjoy the beauty and serenity of the gardens while learning about native plants and their pollinators, as well as making a difference in your community.

[READ MORE HERE](#)

## Join the 2022 Central Cycling Classic!

Warmer weather is on the way and it's time to enjoy the outdoors!

And a great



**Central Cycling Classic**

**RAISE FUNDS DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE FOR YOUR MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED NEIGHBORS LIVING OR WORKING IN CENTRE COUNTY!**

Challenge yourself virtually and/or join us on Saturday, June 25, 2022  
Pine Grove VFW  
500 West Pine Grove Road  
Pine Grove Mills, PA

Routes Include:  
A Century (102.96)  
A Metric Century Plus (62.2 miles)  
A 1/2 Metric Century (33.9 miles)  
An 18 Mile Loop (18.3 miles)

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BENEFITTING: Centre Volunteers IN MEDICINE

opportunity to enjoy the outdoors and support a great cause is with 14th Annual Central Cycling Classic Challenge! Challenge yourself virtually through the month of June, or come pedal your way through scenic routes with fellow cyclists at Ferguson's own Pine Grove Mills VFW on Saturday, June 25th.

Register for the 2022 Central Cycling Classic here: <https://www.bikereg.com/central-cycling-classic>

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

## CRCOG Regional Refuse and Recycling Pilot Program

CRCOG initiated a pilot program for refuse and recycling collection start time at 6:00 a.m. instead of 7:00 a.m.



between Memorial Day and Labor Day of this year. The intent of the pilot program is to assess the impact, or success, of the change and to more fully understand the benefits and any issues that arise, before permanent changes are considered.

In response to this program, the Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors are seeking input to understand how to advocate for you in response to this pilot program.

Fill out the survey below!

[TAKE THE SURVEY!](#)

## Public Works News

### Public Works Week 2022 Appreciation Picnic

On May 20, in celebration of Public Works Week 2022, the Ferguson Township Public Works Department hosted an Appreciation Lunch for all Public Works employees at Ferguson and in the Centre Region.

Dave Modricker, Public Works Director, organized the event and invited other local municipalities for a tour of Ferguson's new Public Works building, and an afternoon of food, mingling, and games among the



region's public works employees.

The Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors passed a proclamation celebrating the week of May 15 - May 21, 2022 officially as Public Works Week.

Click the link below to read more and see all the photos from the event!

[READ MORE HERE](#)



**THE TOWNSHIP  
TREEBUNE**

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**WHEN TO CONTACT  
THE FERGUSON TOWNSHIP ARBORIST**

[twp.ferguson.pa.us](http://twp.ferguson.pa.us)

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**THE FERGUSON TOWNSHIP TREE COMMISSION  
GUEST WRITES FOR THIS MONTH'S TOWNSHIP  
TREEBUNE TO INFORM RESIDENTS OF WHEN  
TO REACH OUT TO YOUR LOCAL ARBORIST.**



## Township Treebune: Issue No. 3

In the 3rd edition of the Township Treebune, the [Ferguson Township Tree Commission](#) guest-writes an article for information on when to contact the Township Arborist.

Click the link below to learn about the appropriate times to contact the Ferguson Township Arborist, and what circumstances the Arborist is best suited to assist with on your property!

[READ MORE HERE](#)

## Ferguson Township Receives \$700,000 in Transportation Alternatives Set Aside (TASA) Funding for Improving Mobility



Photo Credit: Darren Andrew Weimert, Freelance Photographer

## and Safety in Pine Grove Mills

On April, 20, 2022, Ferguson Township was a noted recipient of \$700,000 in funding to install various pieces of transportation infrastructure in Pine Grove Mills to improve mobility and safety for pedestrians and motor vehicles alike.

Read more below for specifics on projects funded by the award!

[READ MORE HERE](#)

## Police News

### Ferguson Township Police Officers Partake in Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) & Torch Lighting at Pennsylvania Special Olympics

Sgt. Ryan Hendrick, along with other officers in the Ferguson Township Police Department, participated in the [Law Enforcement Torch Run \(LETR\)](#) for the [Pennsylvania Special Olympics](#). Each year the torch is lit in Pittsburgh and run to State College by Law Enforcement Officers from across the Commonwealth.

Officers Chereese Greene, Bryan Greene, and Derek Hoover also participated in the Special Olympics by joining the torch run from the Nittany Shrine into Pegula Arena on Penn State's campus, and attended the torch lighting with Sgt. Hendrick as well.

Read more at the link below to see how the Ferguson Township Police Department supported the 2022 Pennsylvania Special Olympics, and more background on the event!



[READ MORE HERE](#)

## Planning & Zoning News

### Food Truck Ordinance Updated, Allows Vendors to Operate in Parks in Ferguson Township

On March 15, 2022, the Ferguson Township Board of Supervisors amended Chapter 27—Zoning and now permits food trucks to operate in Township Parks and certain Right-of-Ways. All food vendors that would like to operate a food truck in the Township should obtain approval from the Department of Planning & Zoning.



Read more about the change below!

[READ MORE HERE](#)



## Planned Terraced Streetscape District Rewrite (Ferguson Township - State College Boundary)

The Terraced Streetscape District (TSD) is a mixed-use corridor along West College Avenue (State Route 26) from the boundary of State College Borough (Buckhout Street) to the intersection of Blue Course Drive. While the rest of the Township saw significant development in the last decade, the TSD saw minimal development since the implementation of the TSD zoning and design standards.



Mackin Engineers & Consultants, along with Ferguson Township, will engage in this rewrite and plan for a series of public meetings in the future for citizen input. Ferguson Township will inform residents of these future meetings for public engagement on this project.

[READ MORE HERE](#)

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### Learn More About Township Authorities, Boards, and Commissions

[Planning Commission](#)

[Parks & Recreation Committee](#)

[Board of Supervisors](#)

[Tree Commission](#)

[Zoning Hearing Board](#)

[Pine Grove Mills Small Area Plan Advisory Committee](#)

[Tax Review Board](#)

[Industrial & Commercial Development Authority](#)

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