

# Hilltop Highlights 2018



Newsletter of Your Hilltop Civic Association

March 2018

## From Our President: Amy Clevens

Welcome to our Civic Association’s annual newsletter – and our annual membership drive! The Hilltop Civic Association is a group of neighbors who want to stay connected with what is going on in OUR COMMUNITY. We’re here because of YOU.

We love living in our corner of Havertown and try to plan events that reflect the community we serve. You’ll learn more about them in this newsletter.

As you know, it starts with growing our memberships. We are very careful with our funding and work to stretch every dollar we have! Your paid membership also gets you special, members-only updates with lots of great local information.

We continue to dedicate a few of our meetings to “special topics” – like knowledge of the Historical Properties in our neighborhood, Life Safety and more. Have an idea for a topic? Pass it on!

Want to get involved and have some fun? Here’s how:

- Encourage your neighbors to maintain their membership, it’s only \$10
- Attend a meeting - share your input or just listen
- Volunteer for an event – we can always use more help
- Sponsor an event or help us find sponsors
- Suggest an additional program or event
- Make a donation to a program you believe in

Volunteers are at the heart of everything we do – why not get more involved and see how much fun we have!

- Amy



Amy and her family

## Hello to our neighbors!

If you are new or you have been here a while, don’t miss out on anything going on in our neighborhood and area; make sure you join us so we can all stay in touch!

And please don’t forget to check out our webpage and Facebook group to get more information on our Association and Havertown in general!

We’re glad you’re here!

## Stay in Touch!



[info@hilltopcivic.org](mailto:info@hilltopcivic.org)



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



[facebook.com/groups/HilltopCivic/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/HilltopCivic/)

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**A New Halloween Event for Hilltop's Kids! (& Parents, Too!)**

Based on your feedback, we're switching things up for our 2018 Halloween event!

Make sure to save Saturday, October 13 from 1-4 p.m. for our Hilltop Halloween Celebration!

We'll be at the CREC (the Community Recreation & Environmental Center at the Haverford Reserve) for an afternoon filled with fun Halloween activities. We're planning some crafts, games, and a Halloween parade (so make sure to come in costume!)

More information will be shared via email with our members closer to the date!

**Historical Society Presents at January Meeting**

Thank you to Terri Dougherty for sharing local history with the us at the January 2018 Hilltop Civic Association meeting.

Information about surrounding properties was of interest to both newer & long-time residents -- and local realtors. Terri provided historical data on the house at the corner of Manoa and Steel Roads (next to Hope UMC) and the steps taken by the township and Haverford Historical Society in the last two years. The new owner has done a remarkable job with the property and we can see the old charm still exists.

The group also enjoyed a discussion on the surrounding properties on Center and Manoa Roads -- including Terri's own home. A few attendees joined the Haverford Historical Society after this fascinating discussion. Check out their website at [haverfordhistoricalsociety.org/](http://haverfordhistoricalsociety.org/) and learn more about all they do to preserve the properties in -- and heritage of -- our beautiful township/

If you have a group or topic that might be of interest to our civic association please contact a board member listed on the back page!

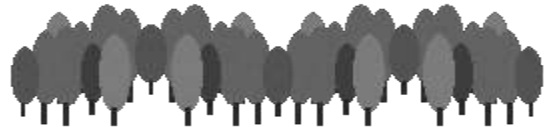
**Street Tree Program from Haverford Tree Tenders**

The Haverford Tree Tenders will be once again partnering with Haverford Township to offer free large-species street trees this spring.

Trees may be planted in your front yard (or in the planting strip if it is at least 48" deep).

While they won't have the list of available trees for a few weeks, if you are interested in getting a tree, please send an email to Jeanne Angell at [angellsrus@comcast.net](mailto:angellsrus@comcast.net) to receive the list when it is available.

Please be sure to send your name, address, phone number and email address.



**Homebound Delivery Service from Haverford Township Library**

If you are homebound and unable to visit the Haverford Township library on a short- or long-term basis, you may apply to have library materials delivered to your home once a month.



Residents may request titles or have the staff choose. Materials are available as regular or large print, audio books, DVDs, and CDs.

For more information, call Jennifer at 610-446-3082, extension 307, or send an email to her at [homebound@haverfordlibrary.org](mailto:homebound@haverfordlibrary.org). You can also download an application at [haverfordlibrary.org](http://haverfordlibrary.org).

Do you think we should continue to partner with area groups and our local government to make these projects happen? Help Us Out!

Please Join Our Association – It's Only \$10!

Volunteer for Any Of Our Events!

Or Donate: Your Donations Help Pay For Tools, Volunteer Refreshments, and Volunteer Recruiting/Printing – Like This Newsletter

## Thanks To Our Sponsors!

A number of amazing sponsors helped us make our year-round events possible. Please thank them as you see them, and consider using them for your family's needs:

- Applebee's
- B&L Bouquets
- Bon Air Fire Company
- Brick & Brew
- Cappello Plumbing & Heating
- CVS
- D'Marco's
- Do-It Best Hardware of Wayne
- Dougherty Landscape
- Faden's Jeweler
- Giampino's
- Giant
- Great Clips - Pilgrim Gardens & Springfield Square
- Sheryl Forste Grupp - Candidate for Commissioner for Second Ward
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- Masami Japanese Steakhouse
- Mindy's Petique
- Pagano's Italian Market
- Painted Tea Cup
- Pet Value
- Peppi's Cafe
- Run The Day Race Management, LLC
- Sally R. Marcelli - Realtor for Re/Max One Realty, Ardmore, Pa
- State Representative Jamie Santora
- Tip O'Leary's

**“All will concede that in order to have good neighbors, we must also be good neighbors. That applies in every field of human endeavor.”**

**Harry S. Truman**

## Save Money at Swiss Farms and Give Back to Hilltop Civic Association!

Earn 5% back for yourself by paying with the app and they'll give 3% back to Hilltop Civic Association! Sign Up Today!

1. Download the free Swiss Farms app from the Apple Store or Google Play.
2. Put 1111 in the Organization field of the app.
3. Pay with the App to earn 5% reward credit for you and 3% for Hilltop.



## 2018 HERITAGE FESTIVAL SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 2018

Haverford Township Historical Society will be hosting the 12th Annual Heritage Festival on June 3, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. along Karakung Drive.

Come and find out about the Beechwood Amusement Park that was in Haverford Township in 1907!!

- Colonial beer brewing demonstration
- Weaving demonstrations in Nitre Hall
- Local music, local craft beers & food vendors
- Fire trucks
- Blacksmithing demos
- Local artists, crafts people and vendors
- Native American artifacts & craft making (including face painting for the kids!)
- Colonial era activities and demonstrations (churning butter, candle dipping, etc.)
- Historical & Civic groups
- Fun for the WHOLE family!



## Honoring Our Best Gardens and Holiday Lights

Every year, we have a lot of fun with our contests... and 2017 was no exception! All the entrants were worthy, but we were able to pick winners for each category. Make sure to congratulate your neighbors if they won!

### Garden Contest:

Michael & Joan McCauley  
Bill & Lorraine Williams

### Holiday Lights:

The Condo Family  
Sean and Candida Kessler  
The McCauley Family  
Diane & Stephen Vadoras



Didn't win in 2017? Forgot to enter? Make sure you do for 2018! (It's on your membership form.)



## Back by Popular Demand in 2018: Kelly Music for Life presents a Summer Concert in the Park Series

Based on the success of the 2016 and 2017 seasons, the 2018 Concert in the Park Series is sure to deliver a night of fantastic live music under the stars for all who attend – and for a great cause.

Save these (tentative) Wednesday nights - doors open at 6:00 p.m.  
and shows begin at 7:00 p.m.:

- Coopertown/Highland Park– June 27
- Paddock Park Pavilion– July 11
- Hilltop Park/Steel Field Pavilion – July 25
- Westgate Hills Pavilion – August 22
- Merwood Pavilion – September 5



New this year: all concerts will be free of charge! Raffles, vending sales and other promotions at the vents will be run to benefit Civic Associations and local initiatives.

Concerts are produced by Kelly Music for Life and are live streamed on iRadioPhilly.

All shows are on Wednesday evenings, times TBD. Make sure to bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of live music under the stars!



# 2018 Membership Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- Enter my home in the garden contest
- Enter me in the tree lottery
- Enter my home in the holiday decorating contest

Volunteer – I MAY be able to help out with the following:

- |                             |  |   |
|-----------------------------|--|---|
| Easter Egg Hunt             | <input type="checkbox"/> planning        | <input type="checkbox"/> day of the event   |
| Summer Movie Night          | <input type="checkbox"/> planning        | <input type="checkbox"/> night of the event |
| Garden Contest judging      | <input type="checkbox"/> volunteer judge |   |
| July 4th Parade/Celebration | <input type="checkbox"/> planning        | <input type="checkbox"/> day of the event   |
| Fall/Halloween event        | <input type="checkbox"/> planning        | <input type="checkbox"/> day of the event   |

My idea for a program or event: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual dues are \$10.00 per household. Please mail your check or money order to:  
Hilltop Civic Association, P.O. Box 814, Drexel Hill, PA 19026

If you prefer, you may complete the membership form and pay online with a credit card or PayPal. (We must add a \$0.75 fee to defray the cost to HCA.) Visit [www.hilltopcivic.org](http://www.hilltopcivic.org)

## 2018 Education Grant Application

Applicant must be:

- The son, daughter, or dependent (per tax guidelines) of a Hilltop Civic Association member.
- Under 25 years of age.
- Currently a freshman, sophomore, or junior undergraduate student at a college, university, nursing program, or business school.
- Not a previous winner of this grant.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Class of: \_\_\_\_\_

College/Secondary School: \_\_\_\_\_ Class of: \_\_\_\_\_

Course of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Applications must be postmarked by April 30, 2018. The amount and number of grants will be determined based on funds available after our membership drive. Grants will be presented at the May HCA meeting.

Are you signed up  
for EMAIL UPDATES from your  
Township Commissioner?  
IT'S EASY!

**Second Ward:**

Email Mario Oliva  
Second Ward Commissioner  
mario@2ndwardnews.com

**Ninth Ward:**

Email Bill Wechsler  
Ninth Ward Commissioner  
bwechsler@havtwp.org

**When you email Mario and Bill, they will add you to their lists!**

## 2017 Hilltop Photo Gallery





## Independence Day Parade & Celebration

Once again, our annual Independence Day Parade and Celebration was a highlight of the summer.

Thank you to Tracy Nini and all our volunteers for their leadership and dedication to this fantastic event. This great tradition continues because of them.

### Our 2018 Celebration Is Set!

Set aside some time on Wednesday, July 4 to make sure you can join us for the parade and celebration! The party kicks off at 9:30 a.m. with a celebration and parade from Bon Air Fire Company to Hilltop/Steel Field.

Once there, we have our traditional Veterans recognition ceremony; then we hand out the awards for the best of the best (decorated bikes, wagons, scooters, etc.)

We also have plenty of activities, races, snacks for the kids (and adults!) and a letter station to write to our soldiers abroad.



### Genevieve Davis Education Grants

Every year, HCA awards grants to students who are currently enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student at a college, university, nursing program or business school.

The amount and number of grants is determined based on funds available after that year's membership drive.

Applicants must be 25 years old or younger and must be the child or other eligible dependent of an HCA member.

Recipients cannot be a previous winner of a grant. We had fantastic applicants for the 2017 awards – and are proud of all of them.

Congrats to each of our winners, who each received \$150:

- Gail Chambers
- Jeffrey Hodgson Jr
- Hallie Mahan

Applications can be returned with your membership application.

## Save The Dates: 2018 Events

all dates tentative – confirm on our website or the site listed

*Thursday, March 22 at 7:00 p.m.*

Hilltop Civic Association Board Meeting – Bon Air Fire Company

*Saturday, March 24 – 10:00 to 12:00 p.m.*

Hilltop Little League Field Cleanup Day & HCA Mulch Drop  
[www.hilltopleague.com](http://www.hilltopleague.com)

*Sunday, May 6 – 12 noon to 7 p.m.*

Haverford Spring Festival – [HaverfordSpringFest.com](http://HaverfordSpringFest.com)

*Thursday, May 24 at 7:00 p.m.*

Hilltop Civic Association Board Meeting – Bon Air Fire Company

*May/June*

Hilltop Civic Association Garden Contest Judging

*Sunday, June 3 – 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.*

Haverford Township Historical Society Heritage Day  
[haverfordhistoricalsociety.org](http://haverfordhistoricalsociety.org)

*Friday, July 4*

Hilltop Civic Assoc. Independence Day Parade & Celebration  
Bon Air Fire Co / Hilltop Park / Steel Field

*Wednesday, July 25 – 6 p.m.*

Summer Concert in the Park- FREE  
Steel Field / Hilltop Park Pavilion

*Saturday, September 8*

Haverford Music Festival – [haverfordmusicfestival.org](http://haverfordmusicfestival.org)

*Thursday, September 27 at 7:00 p.m.*

Hilltop Civic Board Meeting – Bon Air Fire Company

*October 6*

Haverford Township Day

*Saturday, October 13, 1-4 p.m.*

Hilltop Civic Association's Halloween Parade & Celebration  
Haverford CREC

*November 15 at 7:00 p.m.*

Hilltop Civic Board Meeting – Bon Air Fire Company

*November or December*

Hilltop Civic Association Neighborhood Social – Location TBD

*December*

Hilltop Civic Association Holiday Lights Contest Judging

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members-only email updates with lots  
of great local information!

### **About Your Hilltop Civic Association (HCA)**

We are a volunteer organization.  
Membership in the Hilltop Civic  
Association is open to all  
households within the area of Manoa  
Elementary School.

All residents are invited and  
encouraged to attend our meetings.  
They are held on the fourth Thursday  
of January, March, May, June, and  
September and the third Thursday of  
November at 7:00 p.m.

We meet at the Bon Air Fire Hall -  
enter through the back of the  
building.

All neighbors are invited to attend  
with ideas and suggestions.

Please check our website for  
updates, follow us on Facebook, and  
give us your email to stay in touch!  
We won't send too many emails, we  
promise.



### **Our Board:**

President: Amy Clevens - 610-789-2656  
Vice President: Debbie Cipolla - 610-446-4765  
Secretary: Jeanne Montgomery - 610-789-1319  
Treasurer: Katie Cooper 215-284-4347  
Membership: Sally Marcelli 610-324-3257  
Publicity: Kate Stickel - 610-789-6557

### **Thank You to Our Wonderful Program Leaders:**

Education Grant: Amy Clevens - 610-789-2656  
Easter Egg Hunt: Tracy Nini - 610-212-5136  
Halloween Event: Amy Clevens - 610-789-2656  
Trails in Hilltop: Tina Crognale - 610-446-9349  
Garden Contest: Nancy Ryan - 610-853-4423  
Independence Day Parade & Events: Tracy Nini - 610-212-5136  
Back to School Parents Night Out: Kate Stickel 610-789-6557  
Holiday Lights Contest: George & Debbie Cipolla - 610-446-4765



**We're Committed to Keeping Hilltop a Wonderful Place to Live!**  
Please Support Your Civic Association with  
Your \$10 Family Membership!