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TOWNSHIP STAFF NEWS

On February 26th, Maryann Furlong returned to Chadds Ford Township's administrative staff as Assistant to the Manager, Township Secretary, Right to Know Officer and Assistant Roadmaster. Maryann was hired to fill the vacancy created last fall when Matthew B. DiFilippo was appointed Township Manager.

No stranger to Chadds Ford, Ms. Furlong served as Secretary/Treasurer from 2002 until 2009. During those years, the Township saw many changes, including moving the Township offices from 10 Station Way Road to the newly restored Turner's Mill in 2006. "It was a much needed improvement for the Township," Mrs. Furlong is quoted as saying. "I certainly didn't miss having to pack important Township files in Hefty bags when there was a threat of Harvey Run flooding the old building, but I did miss being able to do almost everything from my desk chair!" The prior Township office was literally the size of a postage stamp.

On a personal note, Maryann has been a resident of Chester Heights for almost twenty-five years and was just elected to her fifth term as Tax Collector last fall. Husband Chris is a criminal defense attorney; daughter Alexis is the Assistant Director of Sales at the

Independence Seaport Museum and son Cory is a financial analyst in the Investment Management Unit at SEI.

"I'm delighted to back in Chadds Ford and look forward to helping in a number of areas, maybe even Painter's Folly," she says. As a popular TV show says, "Welcome Home!"

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Mark your calendar for the Civic Association's Annual Wine and Cheese meeting on Tuesday, October 23 at 7pm. Our speaker will be Don Weiss, Esquire/CPA of the Weiss Group. Don will be speaking about How to deal with the Delaware County 2018 Property Tax Reassessment. Topics will include: should you allow inspections of your property? How do you challenge your new property valuation and what to do if you are unsuccessful.



PRIMARY ELECTION DAY MAY 15

Primary Election Day is May 15. The ballot will include candidates running for U.S. Senator, U.S. Congressman, Governor, State Representative and more. The last day to apply for an absentee ballot is May 8 and voted

absentee ballots must be received by the Election Bureau by May 11. All Chadds Ford Township residents vote at Calvary Chapel, 500 Brandywine Drive. The polls will be open from 7am to 8pm.

A MESSAGE FROM



TOWNSHIP FINALIZES ACQUISITION OF HISTORIC PROPERTY

By: Frank Murphy

On March 29th, Chadds Ford Township officially became owner of the property on Baltimore Pike known as "Painter's Folly." The purchase was made to preserve a critical site of historic interest and to protect scenic resources bordering the Brandywine Battlefield, in accordance with Pennsylvania's Land Preservation for Open Space Act. The purchase price of \$625,000 was made using a portion of the Open Space tax funds that have been collected for years through the generosity of Township residents.

The property is over 4 acres of prime developable land on Route 1, immediately adjacent to the battlefield. The property is also connected to the township sewer system making it very desirable for developers as well as commercial operators of bed and breakfasts and similar uses. By removing the property from the marketplace, the Board of Supervisors has ensured that this historic site will not be subject to development.

Additionally, a sixteen room historic house sits on the property and acts as

NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN

OUTSTANDING CHADDS FORD CITIZEN NOMINATIONS NOW DUE FOR OUTSTANDING CHADDS FORD CITIZEN

Do you know a special community volunteer or outstanding resident of Chadds Ford Township that deserves to be recognized? We'd like to hear from you. Nominate a deserving member of our township. Forward the name and address of your nominee, and why this Chadds Ford Township resident should be considered as the Civic Association's Outstanding 2018 Citizen of the Year. Send your nomination to PO Box 823 or please send us an email to contactus@chaddsfordcivicassn.org. Nomination forms are due by April 30.

Advertise Your Business Here!

Need more exposure for your business? Consider becoming a Chadds Ford Civic Association Business Member. Business members get a presence on the Civic Association website, exposure at our Annual Meeting and other events, a decal, and a \$25 discount on any advertisement placed in the Civic Association newsletter. All for the Business Membership cost of \$100. Business Memberships are open to businesses in the greater Chadds Ford area.



The Civic Association awards a \$1,000 scholarship every year. Applicants must be in the twelfth grade of a public or private school, and be continuing on to further schooling at a college, university, military academy, technical or vocational school. In addition, the applicant must live in Chadds Ford, and be part of a family which is a current member of the Civic Association of Chadds Ford Township. The student's application must include a short essay about their goals. Family income, other awards/scholarships, and type of further schooling (two year, four year, etc.) is not a factor. Application deadlines are always available from the Association or the UHS Career/Counseling Office. The deadline date for this year's application was April 1st.



RASA INDIAN CUISINE



Chadds Ford residents Dell and Sudha have opened Rasa Indian Cuisine restaurant in Painters Crossing Shopping Center. We welcome them as Chadds Ford Civic Association Business Members. After over 8 years working for A.I. duPont Nemours Hospital, Sudha Joshi resigned her dream job to pursue her

childhood dream of running a restaurant that offers the freshest possible food with excellent service at affordable prices. Sudha, a poster child for the American Dream, is honored to have the opportunity to not only pursue her childhood dream but to do so in the very community she has been calling home for nearly 20 years.

Rasa is a BYOB with an extensive menu that exemplifies an exclusive blend of traditional and progressive renditions of Indian cuisine. Rasa's Executive Chef Zamin was trained by top chefs in India and brings 25+ years of global experience in fine dining.

Rasa offers a lunch buffet 7 days a week. The weekday buffet is \$10.95/adult and the weekend buffet is \$13.95/adult. Dinner offers a wide-ranging menu and the spice level can be customized from extremely mild to very spicy. In addition, Rasa has a private room for parties and business meetings and offers a wide catering menu.

Special discounts are offered for local businesses. Please contact Sudha Joshi at 610-692-0440 to participate in such programs. Furthermore, Rasa honors military service members by offering an across the board 10% discount to any veteran and current military personnel.

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2018 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE IS UNDERWAY

ATTENTION CHADDS FORD RESIDENTS

Support your community! Become a member today!

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The Civic Association of Chadds Ford Township
Resident Membership Application

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

e-Mail _____

I am interested in working on _____

Membership is limited to residents of Chadds Ford Township and entitles you to vote at the Association's annual meeting and to participate in its activities. Membership dues are \$20 per household per year. Additional donations are appreciated and suggestions for activities are welcomed. Please send your check payable to CACFT to: PO Box 823 Chadds Ford, PA 19317. Your cancelled check will serve as your receipt and proof of membership.

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