

# Allen Views

## SUMMER KICKOFF PARTY 2019

The Summer Kickoff Party will be held at the pool on June 1st from 1:00pm to 5:00pm. This event will replace the Fall Festival from previous years. We are hoping this time of year will be a better fit for everyone's busy schedules.

Come and join your neighbors for burgers, hot dogs, drinks and an ice cream bar. We are asking each resident who attends to bring their favorite side dish or dessert to share with their neighbors. There will be games for the kids along with corn hole, volleyball and other assorted games for all to enjoy. The fire and police departments will be joining us, barring any emergency.

If the weather does not cooperate, and the pool closes or it is just not nice to welcome the summer, a note will be placed on the Allenview HOA website and the pool manager will post a message on the Allenview Pool and Community Facebook page. We will determine a rain date at that time.

Anyone with suggestions or those willing to volunteer their time to planning and/or running this event, please email [pool@allenview.org](mailto:pool@allenview.org).

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KEEP IN MIND...



- The speed limit in Allenview is 25 miles per hour.



- We extend a heartfelt thank you to all residents who clean up after their dogs.

## ALLENVIEW, SOCIAL MEDIA & YOU

As of right now, the official means of communication from the Allenview Board to the residents of this community is through the newsletters, the Allenview HOA webpage, mailings and emails directly from the HOA Administrative Manager, Joann Davis.

There are unofficial Facebook pages for Allenview residents to share events, needs, etc. It should be noted that these pages are not run by the HOA Board, and it is not responsible for any information which is found on these pages.

The Pool Manager will post on the Pool & Community Facebook page regarding pool closures and events to keep the community updated.

The HOA Board will not respond to any complaints, requests or suggestions that are posted on any social media platform.

The best way to reach us is by emailing at [boardmember@allenview.org](mailto:boardmember@allenview.org) or calling Joann Davis at (717)462-2605.

*“From babysitting to bathrooms, pet sitting to painting, we are looking for it all!”*



- Mulch was delivered the week of April 29th for use by the Town Houses. Please only use the mulch provided on your front and side yards. It will be removed at the end of June. It is the responsibility of the resident to purchase mulch for within your fenced in area, if applicable.



- If you are planning to change the appearance of the exterior of your home, you will need to complete and submit the Architectural Control Request Form which can be found on the HOA webpage (Examples include windows, doors, trees, bushes, etc.).

## EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT!

Allenview is a well-known neighborhood and we, as a community, play a large role in the success of local businesses. As a way to support our neighbors and defer some of the costs of the newsletter, we are opening up Allen Views to our residents and local businesses to place advertisements for their services. From babysitting to bathrooms, pet sitting to painting, we are looking for it all!

How will it work, you ask? Well, we are still ironing out the details, but here is what we have so far:

- Ads will be the size of an average business card, about 3in x 2 in.
- Residents: Each Ad will cost \$10 for placement in one Allen Views OR \$30 for placement in all four quarterly newsletters.
- Other Local Businesses: Each Ad will cost \$20 for placement in one Allen Views OR \$70 for placement in all four quarterly newsletters.
- Each advertiser will need to design and forward their submission to [boardmembers@allenview.org](mailto:boardmembers@allenview.org). Please submit as both a PDF and JPEG document as we are still working through this process.
- The due date for the July newsletter will be June 20th.
- Stay tuned for more details in future newsletters.

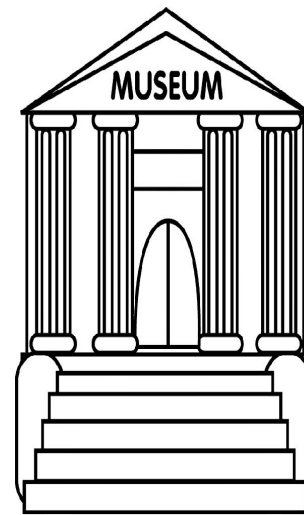
**Disclaimer:** The Allenview HOA Board does not endorse or promote any advertisements, products, services, etc. that are placed in the newsletter. All advertisements have been paid for by residents or local business owners. It is the responsibility of all individuals to properly vet anything advertised in Allen Views prior to purchase. The Allenview HOA Board will not be held responsible for any issues, negligence, etc. as a result of obtaining services from a published advertiser.

## ALLENVIEW ACTIVITY CORNER

With each newsletter we will highlight a few family-friendly activities that might not have been on your radar. PLUS - they are less than an hour away!

Check out all things PA at The State Museum of Pennsylvania! Open Wednesday thru Sunday, fees are \$7 or less based on age, and free with ID for active duty military personnel and their families, along with retired military personnel. While the exhibits are changing all the time, Memorial Hall is a permanent display all about the founder of our state, William Penn. If you love to learn the why behind everything, you will love the museum's exhibit on Pennsylvania Icons, and how our fellow Pennsylvanians have shaped the world we live in today! For more information, check out their webpage [www.statemusempa.org](http://www.statemusempa.org).

Visit Mechanicsburg's free local parks, including Friendship Park and Lower Allen Community Park. Friendship Park, located at 1901 Fisher Road, features a pavilion, three playgrounds, and 2,260 feet of trails on 19.6 acres. Wow! That is a lot of exploring to do. Lower Allen Community Park, located at 4075 Lisburn Road, is HUGE! Featuring dog parks, fishing, trails, "The Fun Fort," pavilions, athletic fields and courts as well as camp sites, this park is a can't miss!



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## TIME TO TAKE A DIP

You have been heard!

Toward the end of 2018 a pool committee was established to discuss the needs and wants of the community. The committee has a multitude of projects in mind to be completed over the next few years.

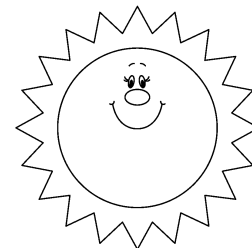
Two of the major complaints have been a lack of shade and seating. It can be stifling hot on the pool deck, especially when you are not lucky enough to get an umbrella.

The board will be erecting a pavilion with picnic benches on a concrete slab along the fence closest to the park. There will also be additional tables, umbrellas and chairs available, along with shade sails. The board sincerely hopes these improvements will make people more comfortable.

Another criticism was the amount of time the pool was open last year. This had a lot to do with inclement weather or appropriate lifeguard supervision. While we cannot do anything about the weather (we wish we could!), the committee has found a way to increase the amount of time the pool is open.

The community pool will be moving to “swim at your own risk.” Instead of having two lifeguards on duty, one pool monitor will be there every day to check people in and ensure pool rules are followed. This will increase the amount of time the pool is open and should decrease expenditures. This means there will be NO lifeguards on duty at anytime —parents are responsible for the safety of their children.

The committee is currently looking into a variety of other possible changes. The cost, benefits, feasibility, and other factors will be taken into consideration before determining whether or not to make these changes in the future. These include converting the pool from chlorine to salt water and planting low-maintenance shrubs along the outside of the fence facing Allenview Drive for more privacy and better aesthetics.



### TENNIS COURTS

Our community tennis courts are continually used for things other than tennis - this has caused significant and costly damage. Due to this, starting at the end of May a combination lock will be placed on the door to the tennis courts. Residents will need to call the HOA phone number, in advance, to receive the combination and gain access to the courts. There will be signs posted. Any person seen using the courts in any way other than intended will be fined.

### HOT WEATHER REMINDERS

- Stay hydrated - water is best.
- Do not leave children or pets unattended in a vehicle for any period of time.
- Check on your elderly family and neighbors.
- Wear proper sun protection including hats and sunscreen, even if it is a cloudy day.
- Do strenuous activities in the mornings or the evenings when it's cooler and avoid them during a heatwave.

### THE NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings fellow Allenview residents,

I thought it might be nice to have a little area to post news, updates and other things that are pertinent to the community, or things being contemplated by the board. Since I'm also the Maintenance Chair, I plan to use this area to advise you of upcoming work to be done in Allenview.

Currently, the Upper Allen Police Department was kind enough to put out some speed strips in response to concerns of people speeding through our community. They will review the data, inform the board of their findings, and determine the best course of action.

There are many things scheduled to happen in 2019, including:

- A refresh of the pool
- New basketball backboards
- Sealing of parking lots
- Replacing townhome concrete driveways
- Painting of scheduled townhomes and mailboxes
- Continuing with tree removal and replacement project

We will communicate with affected residents regarding lot sealing, driveway repairs, painting, and tree removal/replacement.

As you can see, there are many things going on in 2019 and the Board is excited to see the improvements throughout our great community. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone on June 1<sup>st</sup> at the community party, and I wish you all a safe/great summer with family and friends.

Bryan Simmons  
President/Maintenance Chair

## DELICIOUS DISHES

The sweet-spicy BBQ Turkey Sloppy Joes recipe below, from [www.kristineskitchenblog.com](http://www.kristineskitchenblog.com), would make a wonderful option for a summer party.

The necessary ingredients are as follows:

- 1 tbsp. olive oil
- 1 small red onion, finely chopped
- 1 large carrot, peeled & chopped small
- 1 red bell pepper, chopped small
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1.25 lbs. ground turkey
- 1 cup (8 oz.) tomato sauce
- 1/2 cup BBQ sauce
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro
- Whole wheat burger buns, toasted
- Gouda cheese, shredded

Directions:

- 1) Heat olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add onion, carrot, and bell pepper and cook, stirring occasionally, until vegetables soften, about 5 minutes. Add garlic and cook, stirring, 30 seconds.
- 2) Add turkey and season with salt and pepper. Cook turkey, breaking it up into pieces, until it starts to brown, about 6 minutes.
- 3) Add tomato sauce, BBQ sauce, and water. Stir; reduce heat to a low simmer, and cook 10 minutes until sauce thickens, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat and stir in cilantro.
- 4) Serve sloppy joes on toasted whole wheat buns topped with shredded Gouda cheese.