

Upper Makefield Township

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OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL

TO: Township Manager
CC: BOS, Solicitor & Engineer
FR: John C. Kernan, Chief FM-272
RE: November 2021 Update

False Fire Alarms

- Santander Bank

Investigations

- Investigation and follow-up for township-wide residential alarm activations with homeowners and respective alarm company
- "Dwelling Fire" called-in to assist Fire Marshal Wrightstown at Cedar Lane
- Preparing for destructive evidence review, deposition and court testimony relative to Thompson Mill Road dwelling fire
- Initial destructive evidence reviews completed for fire & explosion at Pineville Rd, depositions being scheduled

Programs / Projects / Training

- Weekly inspections and approvals for Phase #1 Sol Feinstone School Renovation
- Fire Prevention Week programs and presentations follow up visits at Sol Feinstone
- Monitoring repair progress of electrical/mechanical code violations identified at Santander Bank / also new alarm system plan review & inspection - on going
- Additional Emergency Exit at Bowman's Tavern plan review - on going
- Holiday Fire Safety Guidelines develop & distributed to all Sol Feinstone families, Co-Op Nursery, Homeowner Associations plus township and local media
- International Association of Arson Investigators, re-certified as "ECT Certified Evidence Collection Technician" Tested 110+ hours / 15 investigations with 21 evidentiary items taken into custody for court presentations

Reviews & Inspections

- Pineapple Hill B&B
- Sol Feinstone School emergency exits, fire lanes & construction egress roads for emergency equipment
- Bowman's Tavern alarm system
- Financial Planning Office new commercial occupancy River Road
- Sleepy Hollow Haunted Hay Ride "Bonfires" & Haunted House in the Hollow "Special Amusement" follow up post season shut down/secure inspections
- Solar review Lenape Drive revised plans
- Solar plan review Mt Eyre Road
- The Inn at Bowman's Hill
- Colonial Farms exterior storage trailers and refrigeration units
- Washington Crossing Animal Hospital
- Washington Crossing Financial Group
- Grace Point Church approved supervised open-burn for youth group gathering