

EAST DONEGAL TOWNSHIP Newsletter

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Meeting Dates:

Supervisor's Meetings

First Thursday - 7:30 pm

Planning Commission Meetings

First Thursday - 6:30 pm

EDT Water Authority Meetings

Third Tuesday - 7:00 pm

EDT Sewer Authority Meetings

Third Tuesday - 7:00 pm

Park Commission Meetings

Fourth Thursday - 7:00 pm

Zoning Hearing Board

First Tuesday - 7:00 pm

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

*The Office will be closed October 12,
November 11, 25 at noon, 26, 27,
December 24 & 25, Jan 1, February 15*

Events in Surrounding Communities

Bainbridge

Bainbridge Fire Hall, 34 South 2nd St.

Kristkindle Mart (benefits Haldeman Mansion)

November 14, 2015 9am-3:30pm

Info: Elaine (717) 426-3794

Columbia

Columbia's new trail services building now called "Columbia Crossing" will be open from

10am to 5pm on Wednesday, Thursday,

Friday & Sunday. It will be open from

9am-5pm on Saturdays

Check out www.parivertowns.com

"An Old-Fashioned Christmas:

Mittens & Mufflers

Sunday, December 13, 2015 12-4pm

Info: 684-5249

Elizabethtown

GEARS Fall Festival

Elizabethtown Fair Grounds

October 24, 2015 10am-2pm

GEARS Fall Bazaar

November 21, 2015, 7am-1pm

Gears Community Center

Marietta

Decorating Workshop

Union Meeting House, Waterford Avenue

November 22, 2015 2pm-4pm

www.marietta restoration.org

Susquehanna Stage Company, 264 W. Market St.

Miracle on 34th Street

www.susquehannastageco.com

50th Candlelight Tour

December 6, 2015 11am-7pm

Christmas Sweet Shoppe

St. John's Episcopal Church, 239 E. Market St

December 6, 2015 11am-5pm

Mount Joy

Fourth Fridays 5pm-8pm

October 23rd - Trick or Treat Theme

November 27th - Ladies Night Out

December 18th - Home for the Holidays

January 22nd, 2016 - Death by Chocolate

February 26th, 2016 - Fire & Ice

Wrightsville

Wrightsville Historical Museum Open House

309 Locust St., December 6th 1-6pm



Trick or Treat

Trick or Treat will be held on Friday, October 30th from 6 to 8 pm for ages 12 and under.



Appliance/Tire Pick-up:

Saturday, October 17th

Tags for the following items are purchased at the Township Office.

Appliance	\$12.00 per item
Tire	\$2.00 per item
Rim	\$2.00 per item
Extra trash bag	\$1.00 per bag
Oversized item	\$3.00 per item
Yard waste	\$1.00 per tag
Kraft Bags	Free

The Township is divided into two sections for leaf pick up.

EAST of Colebrook Road and including Colebrook Road (*Donegal High School Side*).

WEST of Colebrook Road (*Maytown Side*)

Leaves are to be placed in the Brown Kraft bags and placed curbside the night before the designated pickup date.

East Side

October 17 & 31, November 24 & 28

West Side

October 24, November 7 & 21, December 5

Trash will be picked up one day late during the following weeks:

Thanksgiving week pickup on Friday,
Friday, November 27

Christmas tree pickup
January 9, 2016



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School Bus Safety Laws

With the school year upon us once again, it is time to think about school bus safety laws in Pennsylvania. The following are some points to remember:

- **A driver must stop** when meeting or overtaking a school bus with its red lights and stop arm activated; this includes all directions if at an intersection.
- **Stop at least 10 feet** from the school bus.
- **Do not proceed** until the red lights and stop arm on the school bus are deactivated.
- **Do not proceed** until children are safely out of the way.
- **On roadways with a physical barrier**, such as a concrete median barrier or a clearly indicated dividing section such as grass, trees, and/or shrubs driver's proceeding in the opposite direction are not required to stop, **HOWEVER**, if you are in doubt – stop!



Police and school bus drivers are on the lookout for violations. If convicted of violating the school bus stopping law the penalties include: 5 points on your license, a 60 day license suspension, and a fine of \$250. Please do your part and pay attention as the school buses are out on the road again this year and help keep their precious cargo safe.



Temporary Office

We are still here in the temporary office in Fuhrman Park. Many of you have passed the Township Building at 190 Rock Point Road and watched the progress of the remodeling and updating of the building for the past year. We should be moving back into the Township Building in the near future. Our target date is November. Before making a trip to the office call us to find out where we are currently located.

5620 Reflective Address Number Signs:

Whenever an emergency occurs, finding the correct location is an essential part of determining a successful outcome. If Fire, Police or EMS have trouble locating your house it can impact their ability to assist you in a timely manner. Reflective address signs for the front of your home or mailbox will help and are available through the Rheems Fire Department at a cost. Contact the station at 367-1569 or E-mail them at RheemsFire@comcast.net for more information.

Music in the Park

The East Donegal Township Supervisors and the East Donegal Township Park Commission would like to thank the following businesses for their support of the summer "Music in the Park" series held at the gazebo in Fuhrman Park. Thank you to: **Armstrong; CHL Associates; Cooper Printing; David Miller Associates; Donegal Insurance Group; Doug Lamb Construction; Engle Printing & Publishing Company; Esbshade Farms and Mills; H.A. Thompson; Hammel Associates Architects; Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority; LEPCO; Marietta Motors, Inc.; R.K. Vogt; R.V. Richards & Sons Inc.; Swedish Motors; Thru-It-All Body Shop; White Rudy & Company LLP; and Zimmerman, Pfannebecker, Nuffort & Albert LLP.**

If anyone has suggestions for the Music in the Park series or would like to sponsor the program please contact any member of the East Donegal Township Park Commission.



Avian Flu

When the Avian Flu virus hit in 1983 and 1984 approximately 17 million birds in Pennsylvania alone were affected. This had \$65 million dollar negative impact on Pennsylvania's economy. The disease has been found in 21 other states and more than 48 million birds have been killed by the virus within the first 6 months of this year.

Since December 2014, there have been different avian influenza Type-A virus strains associated with the current outbreak- the highly pathogenic H5N8, and the highly pathogenic H5N2, which has caused more than 95% of the current infections.

The virus has spread west to east primarily through migratory birds from the Pacific to the Central flyway to the Mississippi flyway. The Atlantic flyway, which intersects with the Mississippi flyway and overlies Pennsylvania, has not yet shown birds carrying the virus. However, when birds begin migrating this fall there is concern that infected birds migrating south could enter the Atlantic flyway.

Strict standards for cleaning vehicles, containers and materials that transport poultry and related products have been established to continue safeguarding Pennsylvania's poultry flocks against the avian flu. Enacted by the State Department



of Agriculture, the interstate and general quarantine order appeared in the August 22, 2015 edition of the Pennsylvania Bulletin. The order

requires that all vehicles, conveyances, containers and materials that transport poultry and related products be completely cleaned and disinfected using commercial truck washing equipment or other equivalent cleaning and disinfecting equipment. There must be no visible buildups of manure and feathers before loading. Additionally, written documentation of cleaning and disinfection must be maintained.

Travel Safety with Car Seats

Rear-Facing: For the best possible protection, secure children in a rear-facing child safety seat until 2 years of age or until the maximum weight or height allowed by the manufacturer of the car seat. Children younger than 1 year old should always ride in a rear-facing car seat. Car seats should not be in the front seat of a vehicle if at all possible. Never place a rear-facing car seat in the front seat with an active passenger side air bag.

Forward-Facing: When children outgrow the rear-facing child safety seat, secure them in a forward-facing child safety seat with a harness for as long as possible, up to the highest weight or height allowed by the manufacturer of the car seat.

Belt-Positioning Booster Seat: Once children outgrow their forward-facing child safety seat, secure them in a belt-positioning booster seat. They should remain in the booster seat when traveling until the vehicle's lap and shoulder belt fits properly. This is usually when the child is approximately 4 feet 9 inches in height and between 8 and 12 years of age. All children under the age of 13 should ride in a back seat.

When to move on: The 5-step test:

When can your child sit on a vehicle seat without the need for a booster seat? When you can answer yes to all of these questions:

1. Does your child sit all the way back against the seat?
2. Do your child's knees bend comfortably at the end of the seat?
3. Does the vehicle's seat belt cross your child's shoulder evenly between the neck and arm?
4. Is the lap belt as low on the abdomen as possible near the top of the thighs?
5. Can your child stay comfortably seated like this for the whole trip?

Check List for Transporting Children

Rear-Facing Checklist:

- Harness straps at or below shoulder level.
- Harness straps fit snugly on the child with the harness retainer clip at armpit level.
- Child safety seat should be secured with the vehicle seat belt or Latch system routed through the correct belt path.
- Seat belt/LATCH is tight and locked in place allowing no more than one inch of side-to-side movement.

Forward-Facing Checklist:

- Harness straps at or above shoulder level.
- Harness straps fit snugly on the child with the harness retainer clip at armpit level.
- Child safety seat should be secured with vehicle seat belt or LATCH system routed through the correct belt path.
- Seat belt/LATCH is tight and locked in place allowing no more than one inch of side-to-side movement.

Belt-Positioning Booster Seat Checklist:

- Always used with lap and shoulder belt.
- Shoulder belt should rest snugly across the center of the chest and shoulder.
- Lap belt should be low and snug across the hips/upper thighs.

Seat Belt Check List:

- Sit with back and hips against the vehicle seat back without slouching.
- Knees bend easily over the front edge of the vehicle seat with the feet flat on the floor.
- Shoulder belt should rest snugly across the center of the chest and shoulder.
- Lap belt should be low and snug across the hips/upper thighs.



GEARS

Check out www.getintogears.org for some great programs, bus trips, educational classes and more.

LCSWMA

Check out the website for the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority at www.lcswma.org for information on recycling in the county.

PPL – Lights Out

If there is a street light out, you may call PPL at 1-800-342-5775. There are two strips of numbers on the pole. Please have these numbers handy along with the location of the pole and the problem (out all of the time, going dim, cycling on & off, staying on all of the time, etc.) when calling PPL.



Merchandise

For information on special events in the local area and surrounding communities read the Merchandise. Please recycle the paper after you have finished reading it.

LHOP

Tenant/Landlord Rights & Responsibilities handbooks are available at the Township office.

Blood Drive

Thank you to Saint John's Lutheran Church in Maytown for providing a site for the East Donegal Township Community Blood Drive for a second time this year during the Township building renovations.

Winterize

Winter is coming and before the weather gets too cold think about making a checklist to winterize your home. Things you could put on your list are: servicing furnaces and ductwork; inspect fireplaces, woodstoves and chimneys; cleaning out your gutters and inspect your roof; weatherproof your house exterior, check your windows and doors, replace weather stripping; insulate; check smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Prepare a winter weather survival kit: flashlights, battery powered radio, extra blankets, bottled water, non-perishable food.

Veteran's Day from History.com

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, was declared between the Allied nations and Germany in the First World War, then known as "The Great War". Commemorated as Armistice Day beginning the following year, November 11th became a legal federal holiday in the United States in 1938. In the aftermath of World War II and the Korean War, Armistice Day became Veterans Day, a holiday dedicated to American veterans of all wars.





MAYTOWN CROP WALK 2015!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2015; 1:00 PM



By Rev. Robert M. Lescalette, Pastor Saint John's Lutheran Church, CROP Walk Coordinator

On a recent Wednesday afternoon, around 2:00PM, I walked into the parsonage and noticed the answering machine phone flashing insistently. It was our church's delegate to the Board of Directors of the Donegal-Conoy Area Christian Food Bank, and bank's ever-president, Pat Vogel. She was calling around to see who could immediately drop what they were doing and come to the food bank to help staff it. [In a very rare happenstance, Pat had forgotten to notify us in advance, that our church had the "duty" that week. The dozen or so churches that own and operate the bank take turns each Wednesday from 2-4 PM, staffing it---which means handing out boxes of food and bags of perishables to people who show up that day, keeping records of the visit, re-stocking the shelves, and making up new boxes of food (based on the household's size).]

Anyway---I answered the call and found Pat and three other parishioners hard at work at the Coffee Goss building---and people lined up at the door waiting for their once a month of provisions.

When the dust settled, we had fed 47 people with boxes of Christian love---and three of the families were first time clients, while others have been dependent upon the bank for many years. Multiply that by 4 or 5 weeks every month, and you see that our handful of churches feed 250 or more people each month---and we do so every month of the year!

That's an awful lot of food to give away, and the shelves---like this time---became very empty in our little "pantry".

Fortunately in addition to the churches, other groups and individuals occasionally give us generous gifts of not only food but also cash with which to buy food and maintain our facility. We do have some funds but having to pay most months to restock shelves can be rather challenging.

That is why along with other sources of income, the food bank has relied upon the local "CROP" Walk to provide funds to help out.

This year's walk, the 29th annual one, will again be hosted by St. John's Lutheran Church, 11 North Queen Street in Maytown. Our overall goal is again \$8,000---with ¼ (or \$2,000) going to our local food bank and the remaining \$6,000 going to national and international hunger relief agencies of the donor's choosing. Un-designated gifts are given to "CROP", an independent, ecumenical, Christian relief organization headquartered in Elkhart, Indiana. Designated gifts can be channeled through a wide variety of denominational organizations such as Lutheran World Relief, the Mennonite Central Committee, the National Association of Evangelicals and many more groups.

People wishing to walk on this important fund-raiser should get a numbered sponsorship form from their food bank delegate or pastor or call me; Pastor Lescalette at 426-1643. Then, ask sponsors to support you and try to collect the money at the same time---writing the donors name, address, and phone number and the amount given on your form.

When October 18th arrives, tear off the top of the form and bring it with you to the walk if you haven't yet collected all of your pledged money. If you have all the money, put it in the form's pocket and bring everything with you to the walk or give it to your congregation's food bank delegate.

Come to St. John's Church between 12:30 and 1:00PM to register, get a map of the route and give your form to a person in the parlor. Then go upstairs to the sanctuary to share in a brief devotional period.

Finally as a group we will walk the 5-Kilometer (3 mile) circle around Maytown and about an hour or so later return to the church to sign-in, enjoy a cookie and a drink. In the next two weeks, individuals and churches that have not already turned in their money should see that it is given to Pat Vogel before November 1st. Her phone number is 426-2360.

How far can you stretch this to feed your family?

What if you came upon some hard times, loss of income, loss of a job, divorce, widowed, medical expenses, etc.? What if you just needed help to make ends meet? There are well over 150 families locally that depend on the food bank once a month to help stretch what limited resources they have. How well would you do with this list to feed your family?

Household of 2

- 2 quarts dry milk (if they request it)
- 1 box of cereal
- 1 large juice
- 1 peanut butter
- 1 medium jelly
- 1 stack crackers
- 3 cans of soup (mix types)
- 1 small can of tuna or Spam
- 1 medium can of pork & beans
- 1 macaroni & cheese
- 2 cans of vegetables
- 1 jar of spaghetti sauce
- 1 dry spaghetti or macaroni
- 1 small rice
- 1 small Jell-O or pudding
- 1 can fruit or small applesauce
- If available:
 - 1 bread
 - 1 stick of butter
 - 1 cheese
 - 1 of Any other meat or fresh food



Household of 3-4

- 5 qt. of dry milk (if they request it)
- 2 packs of teabags
- 2 boxes of cereal
- 1 large juice
- 1 peanut butter
- 1 large jelly
- 2 stacks of crackers
- 6 cans of soup (mix types)
- 1 can of tuna or Spam
- 1 large can of pork & beans
- 2 mac & cheese dinners
- 2 cans of vegetables
- 1 jar of spaghetti sauce
- 1 large tomato sauce
- 1 dry spaghetti or macaroni
- 1 bag of rice
- 1 box scalloped potatoes (or can)
- 1 small Jell-O or pudding
- 1 large fruit or applesauce
- If available:
 - 2 bread
 - 2 sticks of butter
 - 1 cheese
 - Any other meat or fresh item



East Donegal Conoy Christian Food Bank serves East Donegal Township, Conoy Township and Marietta Borough. These lists are standard guidelines for food distribution if any the products on the list are available. Other non-perishable food items are accepted for distribution. The food bank is located at 40 Coffee Goss Road and is open Wednesdays from 2:00 to 4:00PM. Any help you can give to the food bank is appreciated. For more information, please call Pat Vogel at 426-2360.

Milanof-Schock Library



We are excited to introduce our new Logo! We would like to thank our Logo Committee and Linda Eberly of Eberly Designs for a creation of a logo that reflects our vision of being a dynamic destination of a learned and connected community. The logo captures the distinctive tower in the center of the Library as well as the range of Library users who come to the Library to access our many resources. We are more than books (although books continue to be important as is reflected in the logo's outline of an open book), but also the Library is a place where people come to be connected – to technology, to services and programs, and more importantly to each other!

The Library has a few “Save the Date” events coming up.

We will be holding our 13th Annual Benefit Auction on Friday, November 13, 2015 at the Gathering Place in Mount Joy. Festivities will begin at 5:30pm. Try your luck with the Chinese and Silent Auctions! Donations (monetary and service/merchandise) will be accepted through October. Tickets are available for purchase at the Library's circulation desk and cost \$40 each, which includes a delicious meal, beverages, a dessert buffet and entertainment. Please call the Library for more information; 653-1510.

The Friends of the Milanof-Schock Library will be holding their annual Gift, Book & Bake sale on November 19 -21 at the Library. Hours will vary.

The Library will once again take part in the “ExtraGive” held this year on Friday, November 20. Participating in this 24-hour-fund-drive is a great way to support your Library. Please visit the Library's web page www.mslibrary.org or call for more information. Make sure to follow the Library on Facebook and Twitter!



SUPPORT OUR ORGANIZATION DURING

THE EXTRA GIVE™

ORDINARY

On November 20, donate online at ExtraGive.org and your generous gift will be stretched by \$250,000 from the Lancaster County Community Foundation and sponsors. Plus, just by donating, you could help us win EXTRA from the \$50,000 prize pool!

NOVEMBER 20 EXTRAGIVE.ORG



The mission of the Milanof-Schock Library is to maintain and improve public resources, programs, and services reflecting informational, educational, and recreational needs of the residents of the service area.

LOCATION:

**1184 Anderson Ferry Road,
Mount Joy, PA 17552**

HOURS: Mon. – Thurs.: 10:00am – 8:00pm

Fri. - Closed · Sat.: 9:00am – 1:00pm

Sun. – Closed

Phone: 717-653-1510

Fax: 717-850-4446

www.mslibrary.org

Our Library Services

All of the library's services are provided free of charge to the public (unless noted).

Most services require a library card.

Collection Material

- Borrowing of books, videos, music and book audios and periodicals for all ages.
- Borrowing of children's educational puzzles.
- Separate children and young adult fiction and video collections.
- Special foreign languages and English language learning collections.
- Online catalog for all county public libraries accessible in library or from home.
- Interlibrary loans for items we do not have.
- In person, online and telephone reservations for books, audios and videos.
- Large print books and a magnifier device for the visually impaired.

Computers

- Public computers with Internet access and e-mail.
- Wi-Fi computer access for personal computers.
- Children's computers with Educational Games.
- Photocopies and computer printouts (fee).

Programs

- Education and entertainment programs for all ages from infants to seniors (some may have fees).
- Computer training.

Research

- Online resources, databases, encyclopedias, medical and health.

Official US Passport Office

- Passport book, passport card and passport photos (fee).
- By appointment only, hours available Monday through Thursday and Saturday.

Notary Public

- There are two senior staff members certified to provide this service.
- Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are preferred.
- There is a fee for this service. Please call the Library for details. 717-653-1510

Extras

- Meeting room rental (fee).
- Library book and craft store (fee).
- Book Gift Plan
- Official Mount Joy Borough Extra Service refuse tag sales site (fee).
- Exam proctoring (fee).



Prevent Stormwater pollution during winter months

Be careful with your salt application and consider alternative salting methods. Road salt can be harmful to plants, aquatic life and drinking water supplies. Salt alternatives like potassium acetate (KA), calcium magnesium acetate (CMA), or sand are less damaging to homes and landscaping and can be used to de-ice and improve traction on a walkway or driveway. If you do apply salt, shovel first then apply as little as possible.

Rethink rinsing your garage floor. While it is tempting to take out a hose and wash that ugly gray sludge and salt off of your car and out of your garage on a mild winter day, don't do it! Residue left from road salt, oil, gas and other road pollutants drip from your car and end up on your garage floor. Your garage runoff most likely drains into a storm sewer drain, ditch, river or lake. This means you are flushing pollutants from your garage right into streams and eventually into the Chesapeake Bay. One alternative is to clean your car by taking it to a commercial car wash where the drains should flow to a waste water treatment facility. A clean car means a cleaner garage.

Watch your pet waste. Picking up after a pet is just as important in the winter time as it is in the warmer months. Animal waste can be a significant source of harmful bacteria and disease. Cooler temperatures and frozen soil slow down the decay process. When the snow finally does melt, you will have a very unpleasant surprise waiting for you.

Cover bare soil. If you are doing earthwork in the winter, remember to maintain your construction site erosion and sediment control practices to keep soil and other pollutants on your site and out of streams. Late winter thaws and saturated soil conditions can lead to a very muddy spring. So be prepared and maintain erosion and sediment control practices all winter long and plant ground cover on areas with bare soil to prevent soil erosion. If you have questions on what you can do to reduce water pollution in the winter months, contact your local Soil & Water Conservation Districts.

Water is a precious Resource

A drought watch declaration is the first and least-severe level of the state's three drought classifications. It calls for a voluntary five percent reduction in non-essential water use and puts large water consumers on notice to begin planning for the possibility of reduced water supplies. Don't wait for a drought to practice water conservation!

Everyone can do their part by conserving their water use and consumption. To reduce their water use, residents can:

- Run water only when absolutely necessary; and avoid keeping water flowing while brushing teeth, or turning on the shower many minutes before use;
- Check for household leaks – a leaking toilet can waste up to 200 gallons of water each day;
- Run dishwashers and washing machines only with full loads;
- Replace older appliances with high-efficiency, front-loading models that use about 30 percent less water and 40 to 50 percent less energy; and
- Install low-flow plumbing fixtures and aerators on faucets.

Do not use a hose to clean the driveway. Use a broom and some muscle.

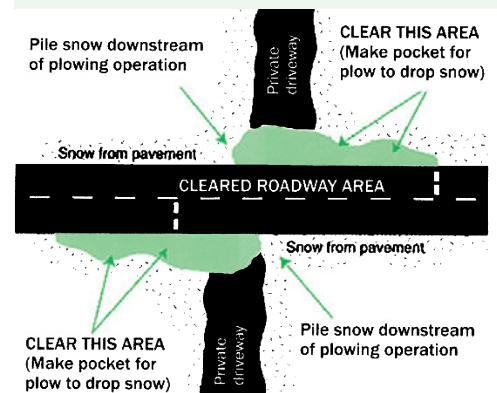


Snow

When shoveling snow this winter please keep in mind that you may not put the snow from your driveway or sidewalk onto the road. If cars are parked along the roadside the plows cannot get close to your driveway. When they do get close it is inevitable that there will be snow from the road that ends up on driveways.

Wet heavy snow increases the chance of damage to mailboxes. Residents are reminded that damage occurring from plowed snow is the property owner's responsibility. Cars should not be parked in cul-de-sacs or on narrow streets until after the road has been plowed. If there is a fire hydrant on your property it should be cleared off for safety reasons. Snow should be cleared from sidewalks within 24 hours after the end of snow fall, sleet or freezing rain. Estimated plow routes are as follows: Main roads first followed by secondary streets, then developments. Alleys (single lane roads or streets) will be last.

Please check the Township website for road closures during weather emergencies.



Budget

With the holidays right around the corner it may be a little late to think about a budget. Actually any time of the year is a good time to start a budget if you don't already have one. Start right now. If you have an income and you have expenses you should keep track of where your money goes and how you can best get the most for your money. Wisdom from the past "It is not how much money you have, but how wisely you spend what little you have". There are websites such as www.consumercredit.com that offer free printable budget sheets and articles on how to create a budget.

Are You Ready for Winter?

Get Supplies Together Now in Anticipation of Snow and Ice



With any luck, the approaching winter season won't be as nasty as the one many Pennsylvanians endured last year. Mother Nature, though, isn't known for her predictability. With that in mind, here are some tips from www.ready.gov, a Federal Emergency Management Agency preparedness campaign, to help you and your family get ready before the snow, ice, winds, and frigid temps come our way.

Before winter and storms arrive

To prepare for a winter storm, ready.gov recommends the following:

Stock up on the following supplies:

- An environmentally safe product to melt ice on walkways.
- Sand or other antiskid materials to improve traction on sidewalks and driveways.
- Snow shovels and other snow removal equipment.
- Heating fuel. You may become isolated in your home, and regular fuel sources may be cut off. Store a good supply of dry, seasoned wood for your fireplace or wood-burning stove.
- Adequate clothing and blankets to keep you warm.

Create a "[family communication plan](#)." Your family may not be together when disaster strikes so it is important to know how you will contact one another, how you will get back together, and what you will do in case of an emergency. To learn more about developing a plan, go to www.ready.gov/family-communications.

Homeowners should consider purchasing a NOAA weather radio, which broadcasts alerts and warnings directly from the National Weather Service for all hazards.

Also, download FEMA's *Be Smart. Know Your Alerts and Warnings* for a summary of

notifications at www.ready.gov/prepare. Free smart phone apps, such as those available from FEMA and the American Red Cross, provide information about finding shelters, providing first aid, and seeking recovery assistance.

Minimize travel. If travel is necessary, keep a disaster supply kit in your vehicle. To learn more about what to include in this kit, visit www.ready.gov/kit-storage-locations.

Bring pets/companion animals inside during winter weather. Move other animals or livestock to sheltered areas with non-frozen drinking water.

During a storm and extreme cold

Once a storm arrives or the temperatures dip to bone-chilling single digits, take the following steps:

- Stay indoors as much as possible.
- Walk carefully on snowy, icy walkways.
- Avoid overexertion when shoveling snow. Overexertion can bring on a heart attack, a major cause of death in the winter. Use caution, take breaks, push the snow instead of lifting it when possible, and lift lighter loads.
- Keep dry. Change wet clothing frequently to prevent a loss of body heat. Wet clothing loses all of its insulating value and transmits heat rapidly.

Signs of frostbite: Frostbite occurs when the skin and body tissue just beneath it freezes. Symptoms include loss of feeling and white or pale appearance in extremities, such as fingers, toes, earlobes, face, and the tip of the nose.

- *What to do if you suspect frostbite:* Cover exposed skin but do not rub the affected area in an attempt to warm it up. Seek medical help immediately.

Signs of hypothermia: This is dangerously low body temperature that could lead to uncontrollable shivering, memory loss, disorientation, incoherence, slurred speech, drowsiness, and exhaustion.

- *What to do if you suspect hypothermia:* If symptoms of hypothermia are detected, take the person's temperature. If it is below 95 degrees, seek medical attention immediately. Get the victim to a warm location. Remove wet clothing. Warm the center of the body first by wrapping the person in blankets or putting on

dry clothing. Give warm, non-alcoholic beverages if the victim is conscious.

Drive only if it is absolutely necessary. If you must drive, travel during the day, don't travel alone, keep others informed of your schedule, and avoid back roads and shortcuts.

If the pipes freeze in your house, remove any insulation and wrap the pipes in rags. Open all faucets and pour hot water over the pipes, starting where they were exposed to the cold (*or where the cold was most likely to penetrate*).

Maintain ventilation when using kerosene heaters to avoid build-up of toxic fumes. Refuel kerosene heaters outside and keep them at least 3 feet from flammable objects.

If you will be going away during cold weather, leave the heat on in your home and don't set the temperature any lower than 55 degrees.

After a storm

Keep these things in mind after the snow, ice, and cold temperatures move on:

If your home loses power or heat for more than a few hours or if you do not have adequate supplies to stay warm there overnight, you may want to go to a designated public shelter if you can get there safely. Text **SHELTER** + your **ZIP code** to **43362** (4FEMA) to find the nearest shelter in your area.

Bring personal items that you would need to spend the night (*such as toiletries and medicine*). Take precautions when traveling to the shelter. Dress warmly in layers and wear boots, mittens, and a hat.

Continue to protect yourself from frostbite and hypothermia by wearing warm, loose-fitting, lightweight clothing in several layers. Stay indoors if possible.

If you choose to stay in your home, never run a generator indoors or in an attached garage. Place the generator outside in a well-ventilated, dry area, away from air intakes to the home. Also, be sure to protect it from direct exposure to rain and snow.

Learn from every storm

When life returns to normal, consider the recent storm as a learning experience and do the following:

Restock your emergency supplies to be ready in case another storm hits.

Assess how well your supplies and family plan worked. What could you have done better?

Cigarette Butts are Litter

"Each year more than 1 billion pieces of litter will accumulate on Texas highways alone. Of those, 13 percent are cigarette butts. That means 130 million butts will be tossed out in Texas alone this year."

-Texas Department of Transportation

It is estimated that several trillion cigarette butts are littered worldwide every year. That's billions of cigarettes flicked, one at a time on the sidewalks, beaches, nature trails, gardens and other public places every day. Cigarettes are the most littered item in America and the world. The filters are made of cellulose acetate, not cotton. They can take decades to degrade. The residue in the cigarette filters is damaging to the environment and toxic to aquatic life.

Litter

Litter comes in all shapes and sizes-from a cigarette butt to a tire. It can be found on roadsides, sidewalks, in parks or on private property. Whether it's littering or illegal dumping, any improper disposal of trash is against the law in Pennsylvania. Intentional littering is a behavioral choice based on apathy, lack of social pressure to do the right thing, ignorance of the law among other things. Unintentional littering can result from unsecured vehicle loads and overflowing trash containers and dumpsters.



Illegal dumps are found in isolated locations in both rural and urban areas. Like litterers, illegal dumpers come from all walks of life. Often these individuals are looking to avoid paying trash disposal costs or are unaware how to properly dispose of items. Most dumps contain tires, household trash, appliances, bulky items, vehicle parts, construction material, brush and other woody materials.

PennDOT spends approximately 10.1 million dollars cleaning up roadside litter every year. It costs approximately \$835/ton to clean up an illegal dumpsite. It is estimated there are thousands of illegal dumpsites in Pennsylvania. East Donegal Township is not immune to the litter or dumpsites and it costs the Township to pick up the discarded tires, furniture, carpeting, etc. dumped in the road right of ways.

Cleaning out your Closets?

Think about donating the clothing that you no longer wear. There are places locally to accept your donations such as Faith Outreach Center, 475 Anderson Ferry Road which runs the Love of God Clothing Bank; call 426-2555 for more information. Second Chances Thrift Shop located in the basement at the First Presbyterian Church, 7 Marietta Avenue, Mount Joy; call 653-5888 for more information. Mount Joy Gift and Thrift at 413 West Main Street, Mount Joy; call 653-8318 for more information. Other places to donate are Goodwill and Salvation Army. Don't let that clothing go to waste!



HOARDING

"Hoarding is the persistent difficulty discarding or parting with possessions, regardless of their actual value. The behavior usually has deleterious effects-emotional, physical, social, financial, and even legal-for a hoarder and family members. Hoarding is a serious mental illness. Overcoming hoarding requires therapy and patience.

Someone who hoards may exhibit the following:

- Inability to throw away possessions
- Severe anxiety when attempting to discard items
- Great difficulty categorizing or organizing possessions
- Indecision about what to keep or where to put things
- Distress, such as feeling overwhelmed or embarrassed about possessions
- Suspicion of other people touching items
- Obsessive thoughts and actions: fear of running out of an item or of needing it in the future; checking the trash for accidentally discarded objects
- Functional impairments, including loss of living space, social isolation, family or marital discord, financial difficulties, health hazards

Hoarding can cause a wide variety of complications in a person's everyday life including:

- Unsanitary conditions mold, etc.
- Increased risk of falls
- Injury from shifting or falling items
- Fire hazard
- Inability to perform daily tasks such as bathing or cooking
- Poor work performance
- Family conflicts
- Loneliness and social isolation
- Financial problems

There are many articles on the internet to read up on hoarding to get a better understanding of what hoarding is, some of the situations that could contribute to hoarding and what solutions there may be to control it. If you know someone that is a hoarder encourage them to seek help. They most likely will not see they have a problem, but don't give up on them.





Trash and You

Trash day in East Donegal Township is Thursday. Place trash & recycling **curbside** on **Wednesday night** for Thursday pick up. **Trash is limited to three (3) bags. Each bag may be no larger than 32 gallons or weigh more than 30 pounds.** If you have extra trash, tags may be purchased for \$1.00 for each 32 gallon/30 pound container/bag that is over the limit. Oversized items require a \$3.00 tag per item. Oversized items are to be put out on **Wednesday night** for Thursday pick up. Tags are purchased at the Township Office. Do not put any Recyclable materials or household hazardous waste in the trash. If your refuse/recycling is missed, call the office before 9: am the next morning so we can arrange a pick up. The trash company has 24 hours to respond to missed trash. **Reminder: NO loose trash. This includes ashes from fire places, wood stoves and coal stoves.** The Township also has a Burning Ordinance.

Demolition/Construction waste is to be taken to the landfill.

East Donegal Township has an ordinance which was enacted on June 13, 1991. The ordinance states In Section 4. Residential Units. "Collection services for Contract Waste, and for Designated Recyclable Materials other than leaves, shall be provided to Residential Units by the Contractor. Each Person who owns or occupies a Residential Unit shall prepare Designated Recyclable Materials and Contract Waste for collection according with the Municipality's Policies and Procedures." This section is pretty clear that Residential Units **shall** have Contract collection services for Contract Waste and Designated Recyclable Materials. Businesses, Farms and Institutions that are not on the Township Service are required to fill out recycling forms at the end of the year. They are also to provide documentation of properly disposing of their trash.

Shrubby and Tree Maintenance

With the changing seasons, Fall is a great time to catch up on outdoor maintenance. Please be sure to trim any trees, shrubs or growth on your property that may cause danger to traffic on a street or public road by obscuring the view of drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians. At all intersections of streets, private roads and/or access drives, a clear sight triangle must be maintained for safety. In addition, sidewalks should be kept clear of low hanging trees or spreading shrubs. It is the responsibility of each resident to keep all trees on or in front of your property, with branches extending over any public road, street or sidewalk, trimmed or cut and kept trimmed or cut. Branches and limbs must maintain a clearance of at least 14 feet above the road and at least 8 feet above a sidewalk. If you have any questions, please contact us at 717-426-3167.



Items that do **NOT** go into the recycling bin:

Plastic bags, plastic wrap, Christmas lights, wires and hoses are all contaminants in the recycling bin. These items in particular get caught and wrap around the rollers on the conveyors at the recycling facility. The rollers must be cleaned out at the end of every shift to keep the sorting process running efficiently. If the item is not on a list to go in the recycling bin then keep it out of the bin.

Containers with food or other substances in them are considered contaminants.

Rinse all bottles, jars, cans, and beverage and liquid food cartons before placing in the bin.

Remove lids from bottles and jars before placing them in the bin. Some lids are recyclable, however leaving the lids on can slow down the recycling process. Flatten your plastics to make more room in your bin.

Do not put your paper products out if it is windy or raining. It is difficult to separate paper that is soaked.



For those of you who question the single stream concept of recycling, here is a brief description of what goes on in the recycling facility owned by Penn Waste in Manchester, York County.

Separation Process at the Recycling Facility;

1. Metering Bin: Provides an even steady flow of material into the system.
2. OCC Separator*: Separates cardboard from paper, containers and fines.
3. Debris Roll Screen*: Separates fines, including glass, from paper and containers.
4. Single Drum Separator: Separates glass from fiber fines.
5. NewSorters* Separates newspaper from mixed paper and containers.
6. Polishing Screen: Separates into 3 materials: mixed paper, containers, and fines.
7. Magnet: Separates out ferrous metals.
8. Optical Sorter #1: Uses near-infrared technology to separate HDPE plastics.
9. Optical Sorter #2: Uses near-infrared technology to separate PET plastics.
10. Current Separator: Separates aluminum cans from material stream.
11. Optical sorter #3: Uses near-infrared technology to separate mixed plastics.
12. Balers: Compresses final products into bales.

You can watch a video of the process at www.PennWaste.com.

LCSWMA Facilities & Hours of Operation

Transfer Station

1299 Harrisburg Pike
Lancaster, PA 17603
(717) 397-9968
Mon-Fri: 6:00am to 4:00pm
Sat: 8:00am to Noon

Household Hazardous Waste Facility

1299 Harrisburg Pike
Lancaster, PA 17603
(717) 397-9968
Mon-Fri: 7:00am to 4:00pm
Sat: 8:00am to Noon



Frey Farm Landfill

3049 River Road
Conestoga, PA 17516
(717) 871-6420
Mon-Fri: 7:00am to 4:00pm
Sat: 7:00am to 11:00am

Waste-to-Energy Facility

1911 River Road
Bainbridge, PA 17502
(717) 426-1041
Mon-Fri: 6:30am to 4:00pm
Sat: 7:00am to 11:00am

Voting Locations

If you unsure of where you vote,
please call 299-8296 or go to
www.pavoterservices.state.pa.us/Pages/Polling.

CATS

Be a responsible pet owner and have your pet spayed or neutered. Kittens are cute, but too many times those cute kittens are dropped off along the roadside. Don't assume that they will survive or that the residents in the area where they were dropped off would want them around.



Trash it; Don't Flush it

Just because something says flushable, it does not mean that it is biodegradable. Nothing should be flushed into the sewer system except the normal amount of human waste and the appropriate amount of toilet paper. The sewer department spends thousands of dollars to unclog the systems.

Mount Joy/East Donegal Township Compost Site Dates & Hours of Operation

Friday 3-6 PM

October 9
October 23
November 6
November 20



Saturday 9 AM -12 PM

October 10
October 24
November 7
November 21

From East Main Street turn onto south Barbara Street. As soon as you cross the bridge over the railroad tracks make a left onto East Donegal Street. Turn right at the stop sign onto South Jacob Street. Follow South Jacob Street until you can go no further. The compost area is on the right hand side. Only leaves and branches (maximum length 8', diameter 19") will be accepted.

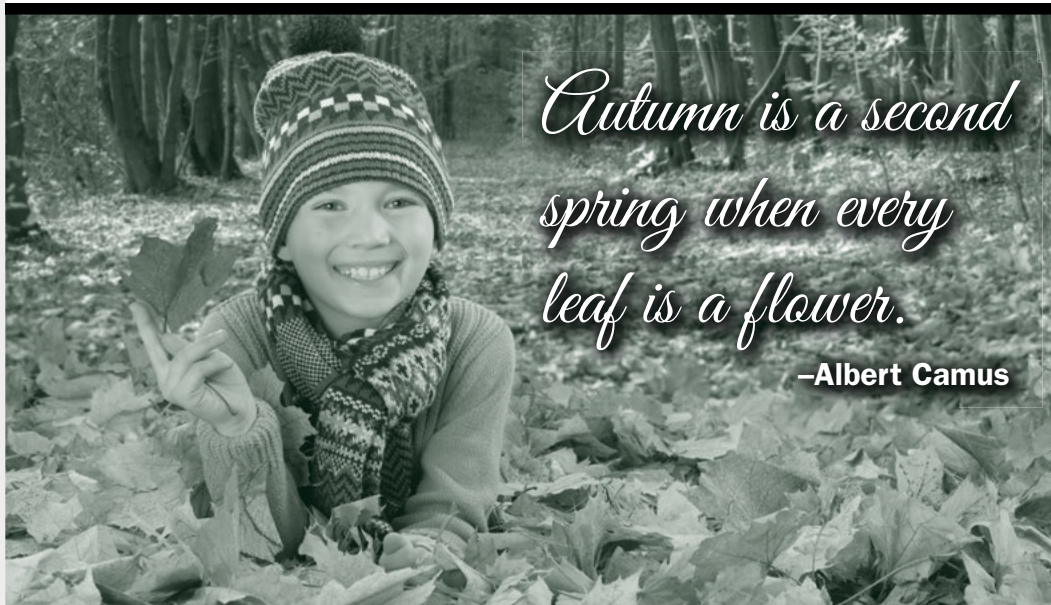
Household Hazardous Waste

As part of the Transfer Station complex, the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) facility provides Lancaster County residents convenient disposal of hazardous materials. This permanent facility, the only one of its kind in Pennsylvania, was specifically designed to provide safe disposal of hazardous waste items for free to residents of Lancaster County. By disposing of the hazardous waste here it helps protect the environment and keep these items out of household trash. The following items are accepted at the HHW facility: adhesives, automotive fluids such as motor oil, antifreeze, etc. (5 gallon containers-max), batteries, chemistry sets, cooking and frying oils, *covered devices (desk top computers, laptops, monitors, computer peripherals (keyboard, mouse, printer, and speakers), televisions, and e-readers, *E-waste photo cameras, video cameras, cell phones and smart phones, cell phone peripherals (chargers, batteries, Bluetooth earpiece, air cards, clips, cases), DVD and VCR players, MP3 players and iPods, PDA's, portable electronic game players, video and game consoles, stereos and stereo peripherals (CD players, turntables, amplifiers, speakers) NO wooden speakers. Limit of 10 e-waste items per customer per day, fire extinguishers, floor and furniture polish, Fuel: kerosene, gasoline, propane, household cleaners, lawn treatments: herbicides, pesticides, Mercury containing items(ballasts, fluorescent bulbs, thermostats and thermometers), paint, rust inhibitors, stains, turpentine and thinners, Photographic and pool chemicals.



*Autumn is a second
spring when every
leaf is a flower.*

—Albert Camus



Penn Waste Asks: Are You Confused about Recycling???

Have you ever thought about what products in your trash are recyclable BEFORE you even purchase them? Your buying habits and product choices made at the grocery store directly affect the amount of waste that ends up in our landfills. Choose products that have the least amount of waste packaging or are contained or are contained in packaging that is recyclable.

For example, you can make the choice to purchase spring water in gallon jugs rather than individual bottles. Pour water into a reusable bottle and reduce the amount of plastic containers that need to be recycled. Our current Refuse/Recycling contract is with Eagle Disposal. They collect the recycling and deliver it to Penn Waste. The following is a list of recyclable materials that they accept.

Penn Waste's single stream recycling process eliminates sorting and allows you to include acceptable items in one container.

Recyclables And How To Prepare Them

CARDBOARD

Standard Boxes, Pizza Boxes, Food Boxes, Packaging

These items may be recycled as long as they are not soiled with food or other residue.

- Cardboard Boxes
- Pizza Boxes (no grease)
- Food Boxes (cereal boxes, Jell-O boxes, etc.)
- Empty Paper Towel & Toilet Paper Rolls
- Paperboard Packaging (Tissue Boxes, etc.)

How To Prepare Cardboard

Remove all packaging inside the box (such as packing peanuts, bubble wrap, etc.).

Flatten ALL boxes. Check the weather. If the weather calls for high winds or rain, keep cardboard recycling inside until the following week. Wet cardboard products are more difficult to process.



PAPER

Newspapers, Magazines, Office Papers

- Newspapers & Inserts
- Office Paper (any color)
- Shredded Paper (must be in a clear plastic bag)
- Magazines, Catalogues & Brochures
- Junk Mail & Envelopes
- Paper Bags
- Phone Books & Other Soft Cover Books

How To Prepare Paper

Cover loose papers with heavier items to keep them from blowing away. Check the weather. If the weather calls for high winds or rain, keep paper recycling inside until the following week.

PLASTIC CONTAINERS & BOTTLES

- Plastic Water, Juice & Soda Bottles
- Plastic Clamshells (baked goods and produce containers)
- Yogurt Containers
- Plastic Containers & Bottles #1 through #7. This may include items such as shampoo bottles, liquid detergent containers, condiment bottles, etc. Please check the container to find the designated number.



How To Prepare Plastics

Remove caps or lids. Rinse thoroughly to remove any residue. Labels and neck rings do not need to be removed from containers.

METAL & ALUMINUM

- Aluminum Cans
- Steel Cans and Food Containers
- Empty Aerosol Cans

How To Prepare Metals & Aluminum

Rinse thoroughly to remove any residue. Aerosol cans must be completely empty. Remove any plastic caps or tops unless they are part of the can. Labels do not need to be removed.

GLASS

Food & Beverage Glass Only

- Clear, brown, blue and green glass food and beverage containers.

How To Prepare Glass

Rinse thoroughly to remove any residue. Remove any plastic caps or tops. Labels do not need to be removed from bottles or containers.

Penn Waste Now Accepts Cartons

Cartons are defined as food and beverage products you can purchase at the store. They are available in two types – shelf stable and refrigerated.

Shelf Stable Examples:

Juice, Milk, Soy Milk, Wine, Soup & Broth

Refrigerated Examples:

Milk, Juice, Cream, Egg Substitutes

**Be sure to remove all caps and straws. Empty, rinse and remove excess water. Cartons may then be placed in your bin along with other recyclable materials.*

For more information go to: www.pennwaste.com.

Plastic Bags:

Do Not put any plastic bags in the recycle bin. Reuse those plastic bags or recycle them at the grocery store. Darrenkamp's, Giant, Weis and Stauffer's all recycle plastic bags.

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In an effort to keep you informed, we now offer the opportunity for residents, and interested non-residents, to receive E-mails directly from East Donegal Township. These E-mails may include news regarding up-coming events or meetings, important notices and even a link to the Township newsletter on-line. To sign-up, go to the Township's website (www.eastdonegaltwp.com) and complete the on-line form. Be assured that the Township will not provide your E-mail address to anyone else and you will always have the option of being removed from our E-mail list.



E-Mail Addresses

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Zoning Officer:	Craig Underwood	craig@eastdonegaltwp.com
Sewer Authority:	Joyce Boyer	joyce@eastdonegaltwp.com

For Ambulance and Police Emergencies, Dial 911

Northwest Ambulance Contact Person Scott Kingsboro
Questions: skingsboro@nwems86.org

Susquehanna Regional Police Department

Chief Haugh haughc@police.co.lancaster.pa.us
Lieutenant Englert englerts@police.co.lancaster.pa.us

Web Sites

East Donegal Township www.eastdonegaltwp.com
Maytown/EDT Fire Department www.maytownedfd.com
Fire Department Mount Joy www.fdmj.com



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East Donegal Township
Office • 426-3167
Sewer Authority • 426-2855
Water Authority • 426-3421
Zoning Officer • 426-3167
Fax Number • 426-4881

Susquehanna Regional Police
Emergency 911
Business • 426-1164
Non-emergency • 426-1158
Or 1-800-957-2677

Mount Joy Borough
Office • 653-2300
Water/Sewer • 653-2300
Marietta Borough • 426-4143
Columbia Water Co. • 684-2188