

# EAST DONEGAL TOWNSHIP Newsletter

190 ROCK POINT ROAD, MARIETTA, PENNSYLVANIA 17547

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## East Donegal Township

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Monday-Thursday 8:00am-4:00pm

Friday 8:00am - Noon

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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.  
MAY THROUGH NOVEMBER THE SUPERVISOR  
MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT THE  
MILANOF-SCHOCK LIBRARY, 1184 ANDERSON  
FERRY ROAD, MOUNT JOY, PA 17552.  
CALL 426-3167 FOR MORE INFORMATION OR  
THE LOCATION OF OTHER TOWNSHIP MEETINGS  
DURING THE RENOVATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP BUILDING.

The Township Office will be closed  
on May 25, July 2<sup>nd</sup> at noon, July 3<sup>rd</sup>,  
September 7<sup>th</sup>, October 12<sup>th</sup>.

## Township Municipal Building Renovations



2015 started off with big changes happening at the East Donegal Township Municipal Building. The building that houses the Township administrative offices, the Susquehanna Regional Police Department and Northwest Emergency Medical Services is undergoing an extensive renovation project. The project started January 5, 2015 and is expected to be completed in October 2015. The project will provide an updated office space, improved law enforcement facilities, more efficient mechanical and electrical services, and improved meeting space for community use.

Looking to pay your Township Trash Bill in person, or apply for a zoning permit? While the renovation project is underway, the Township administrative staff will be housed in a temporary modular office located on the basketball court in Fuhrman Park, behind the Maytown-East Donegal Township Fire Department firehouse, next to the park's concession stand. Just enter the park using the drive located next to the Maytown-East Donegal Township Firehouse (look for the directional sign) and proceed to the rear of the parking lot. Office hours will remain the same: 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday-Thursday and 8:00 AM to Noon Friday.

It should be noted that the Susquehanna Regional Police will continue to function out of the Township offices during renovation.

Although Township meetings, as well as meetings of the Susquehanna Regional Police Commission, will be held in the public meeting room at 190 Rock Point Road throughout the first phase of the project, that will soon change. When Phase 2 begins (May 2015), the monthly meetings for the Township Planning Commission and the Township Board of Supervisors will be moved to the Milanof-Schock Public Library, 1184 Anderson Ferry Road, Mount Joy. Both meetings are held the first Thursday of the month. The Planning Commission meets at 6:30 PM and the Board of Supervisors meeting starts at 7:30 PM.

The Township Board of Supervisors appreciates the public's cooperation during this time of inconvenience.



## Music in the Park

The East Donegal Township Park Commission and the East Donegal Township Supervisors will once again present the Music in the Park Series. Most of the music programs will be held at the gazebo in Fuhrman Park outside of Maytown at 7:00pm on Sundays (6:30pm in August). The series

will start on Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> and continue through Sunday August 30<sup>th</sup>. There will not be a program on July 5<sup>th</sup> due to the holiday weekend. The music is made possible through donations from businesses and individuals. If you are interested in making a donation to sponsor the program, please call the Township office at 426-3167. The schedule has not been confirmed as of the publication of the newsletter. Please check the MERCHANDISER for the exact dates and bands that will be performing.



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## Bad Weather

Bad weather can become dangerous very quickly. Are you and your family prepared to evacuate if you have to? By having your personal, medical, and legal papers in one place, you can evacuate without worrying about gathering your family's critical documents at the last minute. Visit [www.ready.gov/prepare](http://www.ready.gov/prepare) to download an easy checklist that will help prioritize the information you need in case of emergency. Having these papers in a secure location will help you and your family on the road to recovery after a disaster.

Do you know what to do when you hear or receive a weather alert? Getting timely information about weather conditions can make all the difference for your safety. Don't leave the safety of your loved ones or yourself to chance. Download Be Smart. Know Your Alerts and Warnings at [www.ready.gov/prepare](http://www.ready.gov/prepare).



### 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](mailto:RheemsFire@comcast.net) for more information.

## North West EMS

### Summer Play and Concussion Awareness

Your child falls off a swing. You find her lying on the ground, dazed and not sure of where she is. Would you know what to do? Would you know how serious this is?

Northwest EMS recently participated in a video production with the Pennsylvania Emergency Health Services Council (PEHSC) to raise awareness of the dangers of traumatic brain injuries. The video is aimed at educating parents and the public on how to recognize that a concussion might have occurred, as well as information on when to seek emergency medical care for a possible concussion.

Concussions are serious brain injuries and should never be dismissed without seeking appropriate medical intervention. Recognizing that a concussion may have occurred and responding promptly and appropriately directly impacts the patient's recovery and outcome.

You can view the video at <http://bit.ly/1zcHseR>.

### Free CPR Classes

Northwest EMS holds free, "Hands Only" CPR classes. We also offer expanded CPR classes leading to certification for youth organizations, businesses and churches. If you want to know the date of the next free CPR class, want an ambulance to visit your school for a demonstration, or want a certified CPR class taught at your location, call Northwest EMS at 361-8220, ext. 1.



## Sign Up To Receive Township E-mails

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](http://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

Township Manager:	Jeff Butler . . . . . <a href="mailto:jeff@eastdonegaltwp.com">jeff@eastdonegaltwp.com</a>
Receptionist:	Victricia McConnell . . . . . <a href="mailto:vicki@eastdonegaltwp.com">vicki@eastdonegaltwp.com</a>
Zoning Officer:	Craig Underwood . . . . . <a href="mailto:craig@eastdonegaltwp.com">craig@eastdonegaltwp.com</a>
Sewer Authority:	Joyce Boyer. . . . . <a href="mailto:joyce@eastdonegaltwp.com">joyce@eastdonegaltwp.com</a>
Road Master:	Scott Schaefer. . . . . <a href="mailto:scott@eastdonegaltwp.com">scott@eastdonegaltwp.com</a>

### For Ambulance and Police Emergencies, Dial 911

Northwest Ambulance Contact Person. . . . . Scott Kingsboro  
 Questions: . . . . . [skingsboro@nwems86.org](mailto:skingsboro@nwems86.org)

### Susquehanna Regional Police Department

Chief Haugh . . . . . [haughc@police.co.lancaster.pa.us](mailto:haughc@police.co.lancaster.pa.us)  
 Lieutenant Englert . . . . . [englerts@police.co.lancaster.pa.us](mailto:englerts@police.co.lancaster.pa.us)

### Web Sites

East Donegal Township . . . . . [www.eastdonegaltwp.com](http://www.eastdonegaltwp.com)  
 Susquehanna Regional Police Dept. . . . . [www.eastdonegaltwp.com/SRPD](http://www.eastdonegaltwp.com/SRPD)  
 Maytown/EDT Fire Department . . . . . [www.maytownedfd.com](http://www.maytownedfd.com)  
 Fire Department Mount Joy . . . . . [www.fdmj.com](http://www.fdmj.com)



## PHONE NUMBERS:

### 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



## Let's Talk About Construction Permits . . . .

### "When do I need a Construction Permit?"

Since the purpose of any construction code is to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents, most home projects undertaken will require some type of permit.

Zoning and/or Construction Permits are generally required under three circumstances:

- For a change in the use or occupancy in nonresidential structures
- For all new construction
- For all modifications, renovations and/or alterations of existing structures and/or equipment as required.



Some of the more common instances where Zoning and/or Construction Permits are required are:

- When one business moves out of a building and another business moves in.
- New construction
- Construction or reconstruction of a deck or balcony
- Finishing a previously unfinished basement or attic

There are however, some projects that can be undertaken which do not need a Zoning and/or Construction Permit in order to proceed.

Here is a list of some of those projects for which a Construction Permit is not required. *(These all refer to residential and their associated structures only):*

1. Re-roof or re-siding (aluminum or vinyl only).
2. Exterior/interior painting and wallpapering.
3. The replacement of glass in a window or door, or the installation or repair of screens.
4. The replacement of any window or door as long as there is no change to the size of the exterior/interior opening.
5. The repair of any non-structural member.
6. The repair or replacement of any exterior/interior trim.
7. The repair or replacement of any flooring materials including carpeting.
8. The repair of any part of a stoop or porch which does not structurally support a roof and is not changed in any dimension.
9. Upgrading of residential insulation.
10. Replacement of rain gutters and leaders.
11. The renovation or alteration of any interior space or component of a residential building as long as there is no structural change or change to an egress door.
12. The construction of an accessory structure (one- and two-family and townhouses only) less than 1,000 sq. ft. in area.
13. The construction of an agricultural building.
14. Tents if less than 1,600 sq. ft. and erected for less than thirty (30) days.

The above listed items relate to Construction Permit exemption/exclusions only. Other Township regulations and permits may be necessary such as Zoning Permits. Please contact this office with any questions related to whether or not a permit is necessary.

More specific information is available on the Township's website. Township staff is also available to meet with folks to discuss specific scenarios.

## Township Take Ownership of Chickies Creek Day Use Area Park

You may have noticed a change to the park sign along Route 441 in the area of Long Lane. On February 24<sup>th</sup>, the Lancaster County Commissioners transferred ownership of the Chickies Creek Day Use Area Park to East Donegal Township. The approximately 61 acre tract was acquired by Lancaster County in 1988 through the use of State Recreational Improvement and Rehabilitation Act Grant Funds. The transfer of the land from the County to the Township, at no cost, ensures the land continues to be accessible for public recreation.

The park has frontage along Route 441, Access to the park is gained from Long Lane. A short single-lane one-way gravel drive loops around the open grass area of the park. This area, just over 10 acres in size, is also the location of a picnic pavilion, with grills, swing set, and a number of buildings. The buildings include a ranger station/comfort station with full-service men's and women's restrooms. There are also farm buildings, including an early 19<sup>th</sup> century farmhouse, located in the open area of the property.

The balance of the property is wooded. Within the wooded area is a 0.95 trail known as the Girl Scout Trail. Access to Chickies Creek is also gained through the wooded portion of the property.

The Township Board of Supervisors, with the assistance of the Township Park Commission will be working on developing a vision for the use of the park and potential improvements. Currently the Township will continue to allow for rental of the pavilion on a first-come, first serve basis. Please contact the Township office for more information.



## Mount Joy Pool

The Mount Joy Lions club swimming Pool is owned and operated by the Lions Club of Mount Joy. The facility features two pools, a wading pool for younger children and a larger pool. The pool is located at 202 Fairview Street in Mount Joy. Their mailing address is P.O. Box 4, Mount Joy, PA 17552. The contact phone number (in season only) is 653-1101. For information regarding memberships please e-mail [membershipMJLions@gmail.com](mailto:membershipMJLions@gmail.com). Daily Pool hours are Monday through Saturday 12:00 noon to 8:00PM (weather permitting). Sunday hours are 1:00pm to 8:00pm (weather permitting). Community Days are Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week. On Community Days, residents may use the pool without being accompanied by a member by paying the full guest fee. **Swimming Lessons are available and information may be picked up at the pool during regular hours.**





## Donegal Baseball Softball Association 5K

**Date:** Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015, 2pm at Marietta War Memorial Park  
**Time:** Pre-race registration 12:30-1:45pm. Race starts at 2pm.  
**Benefits:** the Donegal Baseball Softball Association

Maytown Youth Organization and Marietta Athletic Association joined together last year. This association has been established at the behest of the high school baseball and softball coaches with the resolve to provide a positive experience geared toward the abilities of all players involved. Players aspiring to play at highly competitive levels can best be served by pooling the talent in Donegal. Likewise, players simply seeking to have fun or improve their skills will also be best fulfilled by challenging their abilities with similar players at an appropriate level. Our vision is to mentor, teach sportsmanship, and provide positive opportunities for the youth in the Donegal School District and surrounding area. With dedicated and committed coaches and volunteers we will continue to reach our goal of providing a quality program for youth.

Race travels through the historical downtown streets of Marietta, PA. The course is mostly flat with one short hill to end the race. Race will begin and end at the Marietta War Memorial Park. Walkers and jogging strollers are welcome.

Light refreshments for entries afterwards, concession stand will also be open for spectators.

Timing by Pretzel City Sports.

Awards will be given to the overall top male and female, and the top three males and females in the following age brackets: 15 and under, 16-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, and 60 +.

**Registration:** \$25 with shirt if postmarked by 3/27/2015  
 \$25.00 shirt while supplies last after 3/27/2015

Optional online registration available at [www.pretzelcitysports.com](http://www.pretzelcitysports.com).

For more information contact Heidi Stauffer (717) 468-5784 or [dbsa5k@yahoo.com](mailto:dbsa5k@yahoo.com)

## Events in Surrounding Communities

### Columbia:

- Check out 4th Fridays from 5-9pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> annual Taste of the River Towns, Sunday, April 12
- Fourth Friday Feast: Spring Edition, Friday, April 24
- 15<sup>th</sup> Annual 5k River Run, Saturday, May 23
- Garden Tour, Saturday, June 13
- 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Thunder on the River Car Show, Saturday, June 20
- 35<sup>th</sup> annual Antique Art & Craft Show, Saturday, June 27
- National Night Out Celebration, Tuesday, August 4
- 5<sup>th</sup> annual Chiques Challenge, Saturday, August 8
- Feet in the Street Art Show, Friday, September 25
- 27<sup>th</sup> annual Bridge Bust, Saturday, October 3
- For more information go to [www.columbiapa.net](http://www.columbiapa.net)

### Marietta Borough:

- Marietta Day (typically the third Saturday in May)
- 4<sup>th</sup> of July Carnival & Fireworks (TBA)
- Pig Iron Fest (last Saturday of September)
- Candlelight Tour (first Sunday in December)
- For more information go to: [www.rivertownes.org](http://www.rivertownes.org)

### Mount Joy:

- Check out 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays
- For more information go to: [www.mainstreetmountjoy.com](http://www.mainstreetmountjoy.com)

### Elizabethtown:

- Arts in the Park, May 9<sup>th</sup> 9-3
- For more information go to: <http://etownonline.net>

### East Donegal Township:

- Maytown Memorial Day May 25
- Bainbridge Fire House Fun Run Riverfront Park May 26
- Village Square Development Community Yard Sale May 30<sup>th</sup> 8am-1pm Rain/Shine
- Donegal Foundation 5K Race, September 19 Riverfront Park
- Maytown Garden Ganza Saturday, June 20



### Appliance/Tire Pick-up:

**Spring: Saturday April 18**  
**Fall: Saturday, October 17**

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 yard waste pickup.

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

**WEST** of Colebrook Road (*Maytown Side*)

Yard waste is to be placed in the Brown Kraft bags and tagged with a \$1.00 green yard waste tag and placed curbside the night before the designated pickup date.



### East Side

April 4 & 18  
 May 2, 16 & 30  
 June 13 & 27  
 July 11 & 25  
 August 8 & 22  
 September 5 & 19  
 October 3

### West Side

April 11 & 25  
 May 9 & 23  
 June 6 & 20  
 July 18  
 August 1, 15 & 29  
 September 12 & 26  
 October 10

### Holiday Trash Schedule

**Memorial Day week pickup on**  
 Friday, May 29

**Labor Day week pickup on**  
 Friday September 11

**Thanksgiving week pickup on**  
 Friday, November 27



## Public Works Projects Planned for 2015

After another busy winter season, the public works department will have plenty of work to do this summer as well. Along with the general work of pothole patching, sign replacement, mowing, storm sewer work and equipment maintenance, we have numerous projects scheduled in 2015. The following is a list of some of the larger projects slated, and budgeted, for this upcoming year:

### **ROADS:** (Roadwork to be Bid/Contracted)

#### **Ore Mine Rd.** (Between Sheetz & Church Entrances)

Widening of the roadway, sloping of embankment, connection of concrete curbing & sidewalk. **Note:** We are then planning to pave all of Ore Mine Rd. (SR.772 to SR.441) in 2016.

#### **Donegal Creek Rd.** ("S" turn between Long Lane Rd. & Marietta Ave.)

Reclaiming, grading & placement of base course asphalt at 4" compacted depth to repair bad turns

#### **Long Lane Rd.** (Between Marietta Ave. & Donegal Creek Rd.)

Reclaiming, grading & placement of base course asphalt at 4" compacted depth to repair asphalt "pushing" and bumps as a result of traffic breaking coming down the hill to the stop sign at SR.23 (Marietta Ave.)

#### **Roads from 441 to Marietta Borough**

**Line-** (All of these roads will get a leveling & 1.5" asphalt wearing course- Paving)

#### **Bridge Street** (SR 441 to Municipal Line)

#### **N. Gay Street** (SR 441 to Municipal Line)

#### **Wasp Street** (Decatur St. to Jones St.)

#### **N. Waterford Avenue** (SR 441 to Municipal Line)

#### **N. Chestnut Street** (N. Waterford Ave to Municipal Line)

### **ROADS:** (Roadwork to be performed by Twp. Road Crew using our Lee Boy 7000 Paver)

#### **Drager Rd.** (SR.23- Marietta Ave. to Bridge)- **Note:** After the replacement of the bridge deck this summer. Placement of binder asphalt leveling course followed by placement of 1.5" asphalt wearing course.

#### **Apple Street** (SR. 743 to King St.) Asphalt base repair patches, asphalt leveling course followed by the placement of 1.5" asphalt wearing course.

**Note:** The paving projects listed to the left may need to be adjusted if asphalt pricing and bids come in high (over budget) because of higher than expected asphalt index prices (oil prices) over the summer. In addition, we will need to consider our final costs related to salt usage & plowing for the winter of 2014/2015.

### **PARKS**

The following is a list of some of the larger projects slated, and budgeted, for this year in our parks:

#### **Fuhrman Park**

Placement of the final 1.5" compacted asphalt wearing course over the walking path paved in 2013 with an asphalt binder course

#### **Longwood Park**

Placement of the final 1.5" compacted asphalt wearing course over the walking path paved in 2013 with an asphalt binder course  
Removal of old playground and the installation of new playground equipment

#### **Northwest Lancaster County River Trail** (part of Riverfront Park in our Township)

Our township crew will be helping to place the 2.5" asphalt binder course to pave the section between what was paved in 2014. This section is approximately 1 mile long and when it is completed it will create a continuous paved trail from Marietta Borough to Conoy Twp. (Logan Park) which will be approximately 6.5 miles in length.

As always, we appreciate your patience while these projects are being worked on. Please look for "Road Work Scheduled" signs posted along the roads which may help you plan alternate routes ahead of time. In addition, you may access the East Donegal Township website to get more detailed schedules/updates as dates of roadwork are determined.

Sincerely,  
Scott Schaefer  
East Donegal Township  
Public Works Director /  
Roadmaster



### **Freecycle.org**

Do you have something to give away or need something someone else might have for free? Check out [www.freecycle.org](http://www.freecycle.org).

### **GEARS**

Check out [www.getintogears.org](http://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](http://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 are done reading it.

### **Clothing Bank**

The Faith Outreach Center located at 475 Anderson Ferry Road is home to the "Love of God" Community Clothing Bank. They are open every second and fourth Thursday from 10:00am to 1:00pm. The clothing is free to anyone. If you have clothing to donate please call the church office at 426-2555. The Faith Outreach center also has a food ministry on Thursdays sometime between 11:00am and noon. Food is given out on a first come first serve basis until it is gone. For more information call the church office or go to [www.faihoutreachpa.com](http://www.faihoutreachpa.com).

### **Library Book Sale**

The Friends of the Milanof-Schock Library will be holding their annual book sale in June at a new location. The book sale will be held at the Donegal High School. The dates of the book sale are as follows: Monday, June 15 from 6pm to 8pm; Tuesday, June 16 from 8am to 8pm; Wednesday, June 17 from 8am to 2pm.

### **Donegal Foundation 5k**

The next Donegal Foundation 5k will be held at the Riverfront Park on September 19. For more information go to <http://donegalfoundation.org/>.

### **Community Yard Sale**

The Maytown Village Square Homeowner's Association is sponsoring their annual community yard sale at the Village Square Development off of 743 just south of Maytown. The sale will be held on May 30<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am until 1:00pm. Rain or Shine!



## MAYTOWN GARDEN TOUR 2015!

February 2015 was supposedly the coldest month since weather records have been kept, and while we were spared the kind of snowfalls that Boston had, many who read these words probably long for warmer temperatures, green grass, and the sight of flowers brightening the landscape.

The Maytown Historical Society already has had that Spring-like vision in view as plans have been made to host another garden tour in our fabled and beautiful village on **Saturday, June 20, 2015 from 9:00AM until 4:00PM.**

On that day, rain or shine, ten or more varied town gardens (many with ponds and other special features) will be open to the public. Talks and presentations will be given at various sites on diverse gardening subjects. Of course delicious foods will be available for breakfast, lunch and snacking.

MHS stalwarts and noted "green thumbs", Carol Eddins and Susan Corridon, will host an expanded plant sale at their 9 South River Street Victorian home and large garden with as many as 300 potted and varied perennials for sale at reasonable price of \$4.00 each.

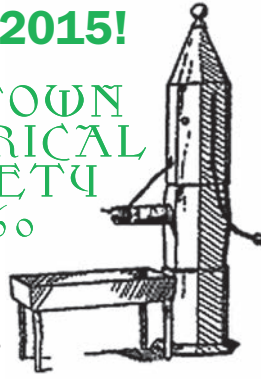
Early risers may dine in the lush backyard of the town's museum, beneath canvas pavilions. From 8:00am to 10:00am will be our famous breakfast sandwiches that combine eggs with ham, cheese or bacon. From 11:00am onwards, a larger menu will be offered consisting of hot dogs, burgers, bratwurst, sliced barbecue chicken, potato salad, baked beans, sauerkraut and a variety of desserts. Desserts will include fresh strawberries paired with ice cream or pound cake.

The museum of course will be open to view our continued display of many of the most-prized artifacts in our collection. A table will be set up in the yard to sell some donated items and excess gift shop inventory.

**Tickets for the Garden Tour cost \$8.00 in advance and \$10.00 on the day of the event. Call Gordy Nell at 426-2786 to procure tickets in advance.**

Profits generated by the event benefit the work of the Maytown Historical Society in this, our 30<sup>th</sup> year. We thank you for your support in helping us to keep our town's history and cultural life alive and well for these many years. We also invite you to not only be a patron of our special events but also a member of our fellowship. Join us on most second Thursdays of the month at 7:00pm at Saint John's Lutheran Church located at 11 North Queen Street in Maytown. Our business meetings often include program elements. We hope to see you on a bright and sunny June day with the flowers all a-bloom.

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## Maytown American Legion Auxiliary 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Antique, Art, Collectible and Craft Show

Everyone is invited to join our Auxiliary for our 53<sup>rd</sup> annual event on Memorial Day Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> from 8:00AM to 4:00PM. Come enjoy many interesting vendors and lots of good food. This year we will have new dealers along with successful dealers that have been with us for many years. Bill, one of the vendors will be here with a variety of birdhouses. Peggy makes homemade goat milk soap that is 100% natural and available in many fragrances. Sandra has dolls, books, jewelry, blue willow china, frosted glass items, collectibles and more. Alecia has a variety of baskets. Sue makes wind chimes, slumped glass and serving trays. Vicky will have scrollwork, Native American trinket boxes, shadow boxes silk flower arrangements and jewelry. Renee brings antiques, homemade fudge and pastries. Blacksmith Stan Newcomer will once again set up his forge demonstrating his skills in creating hand forged items. He will have items on display for sale and can take custom orders. This is a good time to get your house cleaning started with a variety of brooms from Mr. Campbell the broom maker. Mr. Mathieu, the clock doctor will be here with his clocks and can repair grandfather clocks and other clocks. Mr. Leinhart will bring his transfer china, a variety of glassware, ironstone and other antiques.

You will not need to cook on Memorial Day, as we will have a variety of food available all day. The Groves will have their delicious French fries, chicken nuggets, burgers, and 'walking tacos'. The Maytown Church of God will have barbecue sandwiches and popcorn. Boy Scout Troop will have their popular sausage sandwiches. Bill Cutler will keep you cool with his soft ice cream, sundaes and floats. The Wilsons will have funnel cakes and puddings. Harvest Community Church will have their Homemade Chicken Corn Soup. Angela will have snow-cones. Shaina Lo will have fried rice, fried vegetables, empanadas and fish sandwiches. Rainbow's End will offer a variety of pies and they will also have face painting. The Dellinger's will have games for both children and adults.

Profits from our annual event will help to support our veterans, as well as community services.

Please plan on visiting Maytown with your family on Memorial Day to support our efforts.

Thank you, Sara E. Gutshall, President ALA  
(717) 426-2107

## BLOOD DRIVE

Due to the construction project at the Township building The East Donegal Township January Community Blood Drive was held at the Saint John Lutheran Church in Maytown. There were 22 registered donors and 19 pints of blood were collected. The date and location of the June blood drive will be announced at a later date.



## FOOD BANK

The East Donegal/Conoy Christian Food Bank is located at 40 Coffee Goss Road in Maytown. The Food Bank offers a three (3) day supply of food for emergency purposes to any resident in need of food who resides in East Donegal Township, Conoy Township or Marietta Borough.

The Food Bank is a non-profit organization owned and staffed by fifteen local churches. The Food Bank is supported through donations from churches, organizations such as Scouts, individuals, Crop Walk, and people like you. The Food Bank is open Wednesday from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Fruit Juice in plastic containers, soup, jelly, canned meats (Spam, beef stew, tuna, etc.) and cereal are always needed. The food bank couldn't do all that they do without your help. Donations can be dropped off at the temporary Township Office or you may call Pat Vogel to make other arrangements.

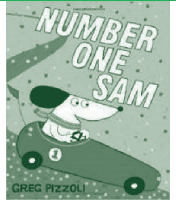
**Questions can be addressed to Pat Vogel at 426-2360.**





## Milanof-Schock Library

In April, Pennsylvania's **One Book Every Young Child** campaign will celebrate its tenth year of early literacy advocacy. **Number One Sam**, written and illustrated by Greg Pizzoli, is the children's book selected to represent this year's program. The Library will be offering special events in support of this program; please call or stop by the Library for dates and times, or visit their web site [www.mslibrary.org](http://www.mslibrary.org). For more information about OBEYC, visit [www.paonebook.org](http://www.paonebook.org).



The theme of this year's Milanof-Schock Library Parade Float is "Land of the Free, because of the Brave". If you would like to help decorate the float or if your family would like to show its support of the Library by riding on the float, please call to sign up! Float decoration will take place on Friday, May 22 after 4:00 p.m. The parade will be held on Saturday, May 23.

Readers...Get Ready! The **Summer Reading Program** kicks off with special events on Saturday, May 30. The theme of this year's SRP is "Every Hero has a Story"; reading packets will be available for all reading levels and ages. Make sure to check out the Adult Summer Reading Challenge that will run June through August.

The Library's annual **Bike Rodeo** will be held on Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. This event is cosponsored by the Norlanco-Rheems Kiwanis Club and members of the DHS Key Club assist with activities. The location is TBA.

The **Friends Annual Book Sale** will be held at a new location and on days different than previous years. The event will take place in the Donegal High School gymnasium Monday, June 15 through Wednesday, June 17. Please make sure to check the Library's web site in May for times and further details.

We kicked off the "1,000 Books before Kindergarten" program in January! The goal of this program is to help kids enter school ready to learn. If you would like to get started reading 1,000 books before school (it is much easier than it sounds), stop by the circulation desk at the Library to pick up a red folder which includes instructions, sheets to record the first 100 books, and a kindergarten readiness check list. Information about the program is available on the Library web site [www.mslibrary.org](http://www.mslibrary.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](http://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).



## SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

East Donegal Township is sponsoring a Summer Playground Program for the 2015 summer season.

The program is open to all children, from the age of **5 through 10 years** old. The fee is **\$80.00** per child.

The program will include games, crafts, sports activities and more. The program will take place in Fuhrman Park on Rock Point Road, Monday thru Friday, beginning Monday, June 22 and running through Friday, July 31 from 9:00am to 12:00 noon each day.

Please fill out the attached registration form and mail or return with your registration fee of **\$80.00** per child to: East Donegal Township, 190 Rock Point Rd, Marietta, PA 17547.

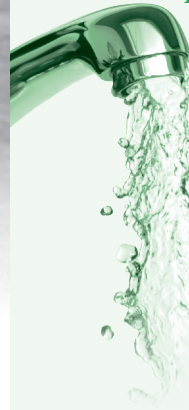
**Each child should bring a bottle of water and snack every day.**

The Township is working on being able to accept credit cards for playground registration. Credit cards may be used to pay for playground registration **only if you are registering in person at the Township office.** A convenience fee will apply for each transaction.

## WATER CONSERVATION

Water Conservation shouldn't only be practiced when there is a drought. It should be a lifestyle. The following is a list of ways to conserve water.

### Indoors:



- Check all faucets, pipes and toilets for leaks (90% of leaks in a home are due to a toilet system).
- To detect leaks in the toilet, add food coloring to the tank water. If the colored water appears in the bowl without flushing, the toilet is leaking.
- Take short showers instead of baths.
- Turn off water while shaving or brushing teeth.
- Do not use the toilet as a waste basket.
- Keep drinking water in the refrigerator instead of letting the faucet run until the water is cool.
- Install low-flow aerators and showerheads.
- Operate dishwashers only when fully loaded

### Outdoors:

- Water your lawn only when it needs it. Use a soil moisture indicator to find out when your lawn or garden needs watering. Make sure you are not watering the street or sidewalk.
- Water the lawn early in the morning or at sunset to avoid excessive evaporation.
- Use soaker hoses and trickle irrigation systems for watering.
- Place a layer of mulch around trees and plants to slow evaporation as well as discouraging weed growth.
- Use a broom, not a hose, to clean driveways and sidewalks.
- Wash the car with water from a bucket, or consider a commercial car wash that recycles water.

## SUMMER PLAYGROUND REGISTRATION FORM

Participants Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

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

Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person to notify in event of emergency: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # of person to notify in an emergency: \_\_\_\_\_

**Waiver of Liability and Indemnification:** the undersigned parent(s)/guardian(s), each for himself/herself, his/her child or ward, and their respective spouses, legal representatives, heirs and assigns, hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless and hereby releases, acquits, and forever discharges East Donegal Township, The East Donegal Township Park Commission, and their respective supervisors, agents, representatives, employees, heirs, successors and assigns, from any and all actions, claims, demands coverages, costs, losses, injuries, expenses, judgements, attorneys fees, and suits at law, equity or otherwise that may arise directly or indirectly from the above-named participants= involvement or participation in any manner in the Summer Playground Program.

**All Parents (and/or) Guardians who have permanent or partial custody of the child must sign.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian

Parent/Guardian

**Make checks payable and mail to:**

East Donegal Township, 190 Rock Point Road, Marietta, PA 17547

Your cancelled check will be your confirmation that your child has been registered. If you pay in person with cash, you will be given a receipt.

**\*There will be no playground on Friday, July 3, 2015**

Please note there may be costs associated with field trips this year. More information at a later date.



## Make Your Home The Solution to Stormwater Pollution!

As stormwater flows over driveways, lawns, and sidewalks, it picks up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants. Stormwater can flow into a storm sewer system or directly to a lake, stream, river, wetland, or coastal water. Anything that enters a storm sewer system is discharged untreated into the waterbodies we use for swimming, fishing, and providing drinking water. Polluted runoff is the nation's greatest threat to clean water.

By practicing healthy household habits, homeowners can keep common pollutants like pesticides, pet waste, grass clippings, and automotive fluids off the ground and out of stormwater. Adopt these healthy household habits and help protect lakes, streams, rivers, wetlands, and coastal waters. Remember to share the habits with your neighbors!



### Healthy Household Habits for Clean Water

#### Vehicle and Garage

- ◆ Use a commercial car wash or wash your car on a lawn or other unpaved surface to minimize the amount of dirty, soapy water flowing into the storm drain and eventually into your local waterbody.
- ◆ Check your car, boat, motorcycle, and other machinery and equipment for leaks and spills. Make repairs as soon as possible. Clean up spilled fluids with an absorbent material like kitty litter or sand, and don't rinse the spills into a nearby storm drain. Remember to properly dispose of the absorbent material.
- ◆ Recycle used oil and other automotive fluids at participating service stations. Don't dump these chemicals down the storm drain or dispose of them in your trash.

#### Lawn and Garden

- ◆ Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly. When use is necessary, use these chemicals in the recommended amounts. Avoid application if the forecast calls for rain; otherwise, chemicals will be washed into your local stream.
- ◆ Select native plants and grasses that are drought- and pest-resistant. Native plants require less water, fertilizer, and pesticides.
- ◆ Sweep up yard debris, rather than hosing down areas. Compost or recycle yard waste when possible.
- ◆ Don't overwater your lawn. Water during the cool times of the day, and don't let water run off into the storm drain.
- ◆ Cover piles of dirt and mulch being used in landscaping projects to prevent these pollutants from blowing or washing off your yard and into local waterbodies. Vegetate bare spots in your yard to prevent soil erosion.

### Home Repair and Improvement

- ◆ Before beginning an outdoor project, locate the nearest storm drains and protect them from debris and other materials.
- ◆ Sweep up and properly dispose of construction debris such as concrete and mortar.
- ◆ Use hazardous substances like paints, solvents, and cleaners in the smallest amounts possible, and follow the directions on the label. Clean up spills immediately, and dispose of the waste safely. Store substances properly to avoid leaks and spills.
- ◆ Purchase and use nontoxic, biodegradable, recycled, and recyclable products whenever possible.
- ◆ Clean paint brushes in a sink, not outdoors. Filter and reuse paint thinner when using oil-based paints.
- ◆ Properly dispose of excess paints through a household hazardous waste collection program, or donate unused paint to local organizations.
- ◆ Reduce the amount of paved area and increase the amount of vegetated area in your yard. Use native plants in your landscaping to reduce the need for watering during dry periods. Consider directing downspouts away from paved surfaces onto lawns and other measures to increase infiltration and reduce polluted runoff.

### Pet Care



- ◆ When walking your pet, remember to pick up the waste and dispose of it properly. Flushing pet waste is the best disposal method. Leaving pet waste on the ground increases public health risks by allowing harmful bacteria and nutrients to wash into the storm drain and eventually into local waterbodies.

### Swimming Pool and Spa

- ◆ Drain your swimming pool only when a test kit does not detect chlorine levels.
- ◆ Whenever possible, drain your pool or spa into the sanitary sewer system.
- ◆ Properly store pool and spa chemicals to prevent leaks and spills, preferably in a covered area to avoid exposure to stormwater.

### Septic System Use and Maintenance

- ◆ Have your septic system inspected by a professional at least every 3 years, and have the septic tank pumped as necessary (usually every 3 to 5 years).
- ◆ Care for the septic system drainfield by not driving or parking vehicles on it. Plant only grass over and near the drainfield to avoid damage from roots.
- ◆ Flush responsibly. Flushing household chemicals like paint, pesticides, oil, and antifreeze can destroy the biological treatment taking place in the system. Other items, such as diapers, paper towels, and cat litter, can clog the septic system and potentially damage components.



**REMEMBER: ONLY RAIN DOWN THE DRAIN!**

## Mount Joy Borough/East Donegal Township Compost Site dates and hours of Operation:

### Friday 3-6 PM

April 10  
April 24  
May 8  
May 22  
June 5  
June 19  
July 4 (CLOSED)  
July 17  
July 31  
August 14  
August 28  
September 11  
September 25  
October 9  
October 23  
November 6  
November 20



### Saturday 9 AM -12 PM

April 11  
April 25  
May 9  
May 23  
June 6  
June 20  
July 5 (CLOSED)  
July 18  
August 1  
August 15  
August 29  
September 12  
September 26  
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 onto South Jacob Street at the stop sign. Follow South Jacob Street until you can go no further. The compost area is on your right side. Only leaves and branches (maximum: length 8', diameter 19") will be accepted.



### FINISHED COMPOST

Finished compost is dark brown, crumbly, with an earthy odor. Depending upon seasonal temperatures, a well-built, well-tended pile generally yields finished compost in 2 weeks to 4 months. An unattended pile made of non-shredded! Material may take longer than a year to decompose.

## LITTER: The Facts

### Knowing more about litter is the first step to a cleaner community.

Litter just doesn't appear- it's the result of careless attitudes and waste handling. Is there anything you can do? Knowing more about litter and where it comes from is a good place to start.

#### Why People Litter:

Research by **Keep America Beautiful, Inc.** found that people litter because:

- They feel no sense of ownership, even though areas such as parks and beaches are public property.
- They believe someone else – a park maintenance or highway worker –will pick up after them.
- Litter has already accumulated.

#### "Litter –known" Facts

Motorists and pedestrians are often blamed for litter. There are actually seven primary sources:

- Household trash handling and it's placement at the curb for collection.
- Dumpsters used by businesses.
- Loading docks.
- Construction and demolition sites.
- Trucks with uncovered loads.
- Pedestrians
- Motorists

Litter is blown about by wind and traffic or carried by water. It moves until trapped by a curb, building, or fence. Once litter has accumulated, it invites people to add more.

#### Litter and Your Taxes

Litter is a costly problem. Highway departments spend millions of tax dollars and many hours annually picking up litter-money and time needed for more important services. Local, state and federal governments also spend money removing litter left by careless park visitors.

Clean communities also have a better chance of attracting new businesses than those where litter is common.



### 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.

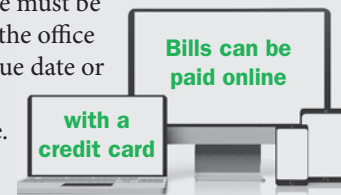


### Trash it; Don't Flush it

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.

### Paying Bills

Trash bills (EDT) and sewer bills (EDSA) can be paid online with a credit card. There is a convenience fee for each transaction when paying with a credit card. Payments for sewer and/or trash bills paid at the Township office must be paid BEFORE the office closes on the due date or they will be considered late.







## 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.

## Rethink Reuse Reduce Repurpose Recycle.

There are plenty of words in the dictionary that begin with the letter R, which all can be associated with the environment and how we handle or dispose of things. You may not need something, but you still want it. That's okay. Go ahead and buy it, but when purchasing a product stop to think. Can the packaging be recycled or is it trash? How long will the product itself last? Can it be recycled or will it end up in the trash? Is the product already made from recycled materials? Maybe those questions don't even cross your mind or you don't care. What if everyone felt that way?

Rethink! What about thrift shops? Now you're probably thinking, well what about them? Reuse! What if the item you want doesn't have to be new? What if the item you want may have been used, but will serve your purpose? This is where thrift shops and yard sales enter into the picture. Reduce! Do you really need more stuff? Maybe you don't need more, but you want more. Not much can be done with that. Repurpose! That is when you take one thing and get another use out of it. Recycle! Your recycled plastic bottles can become decking or carpet. Your recycled glass can become new glass bottles. Your paper can become new paper or ceiling tiles. Your food scraps can become compost. Get the idea?

Here is a partial list of local places to donate your good used items or to purchase already used items.

**Second Chances Thrift Shop**, 7 Marietta Avenue, Mount Joy (653-5888)

**Mount Joy Gift & Thrift**, 413 W. Main Street, Mount Joy (653-8318)

**Goodwill**, 2375 S. Market Street, Elizabethtown (367-8830)

**Lights of Hope Thrift Shop**, 206 S. Market Street, Elizabethtown (333-2025)

**Love of God Community Clothing Bank** (Free) located at the Faith Outreach Center, 475 Anderson Ferry Road (426-2555)

**Thrift 4-U**, 19 S. Market Street, Elizabethtown (366-4373)



## Springtime Safety

*Message from Susquehanna Regional Police Department*

As springtime approaches, we would like to remind everyone to be aware of the increase in outdoor activities. Obey speed limits and pay attention to road signs warning of playgrounds, schools, crosswalks and sporting areas. Remember, children are not always the best at remembering to check both ways before crossing the road.

Refresh your children's memories about playing around busy streets, wearing a helmet when they ride their bicycle and to never chase a ball out into the street. Also, encourage your children to use the "Buddy System," where they always have a friend with them when they play. The buddy system is effective for indoor and outdoor school events as well. Setting a time when children should be home, such as when street lights come on is helpful to keep them on a schedule whether it is a school night or weekend.

Bugs and animals will soon be more active in the area. Keeping anti-itch medications, such as Benadryl and Calamine lotion, at home will help if someone is bitten or stung. Also, remind children not to play with wild animals and to ask permission before petting someone's dog. Pet owners please remember to keep your dogs leashed and clean up after their mess.

## Carbon Monoxide – “The Silent Killer”

There are numerous potential sources of carbon monoxide in your home. Furnaces, water heaters, clothes dryers, space heaters, ranges, ovens, fireplaces, wood stoves, charcoal grills and automobiles all produce carbon monoxide. When not properly monitored each of these items could become a lethal weapon.

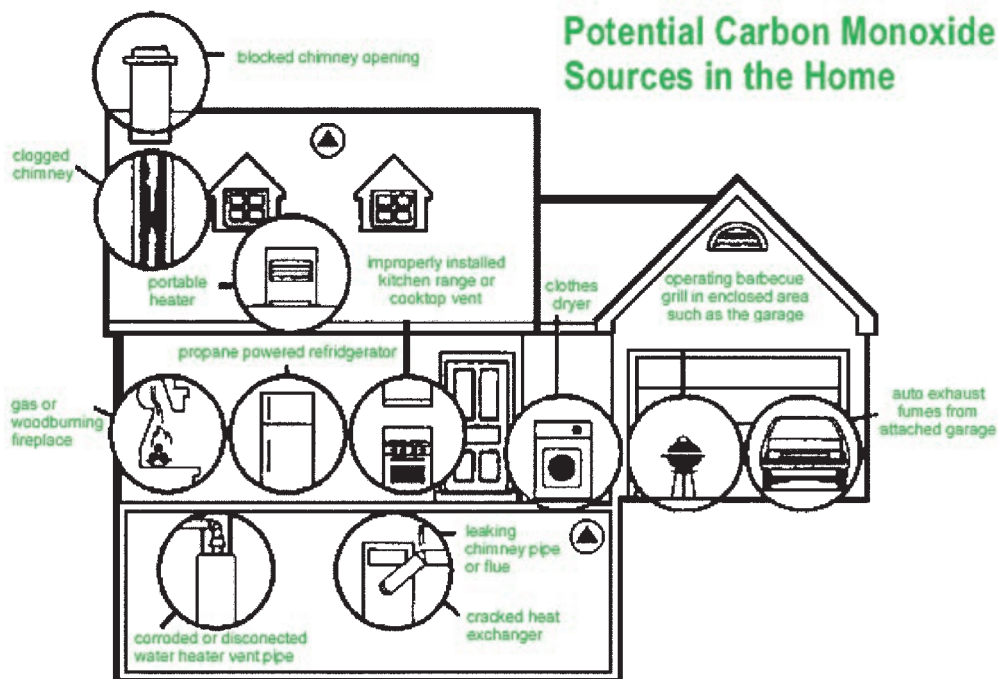
Carbon monoxide is the leading cause of fatal poisonings in North America. Exposure to high concentrations can cause death in just a few minutes. Carbon monoxide is often referred to as the “Silent Killer” because it is colorless, odorless and tasteless, making it almost impossible to detect. The symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning can be very vague, and often involve many of the body’s systems. But immediate diagnosis is critical.

Source: The Fire Marshal’s Public Fire Safety Council

### Symptoms

Exposure to CO can cause flu-like symptoms such as headaches, nausea, dizziness, burning eyes, confusion, drowsiness and even loss of consciousness. In very severe cases, CO poisoning can cause death. Older people, people with heart or breathing problems, children and pets may experience the effects earlier than others.

At any time, if you or anyone else in your home is experiencing the symptoms of CO poisoning, get everyone out of the house and seek medical help. Call 911 or your local fire department.



### Working Carbon Monoxide Alarms Save Lives

Carbon monoxide detectors are easily available at local stores. Every home should have at least one. The one should be installed at knee-height, near the sleeping area of your home, cottage and recreational vehicle. You may need more than one alarm if sleeping areas are on more than one level. Refer to the manufacturer’s instructions for more information about proper use and maintenance of your alarms.

If a CO alarm sounds in your home, cottage or recreational vehicle, call 911



immediately! It is not a false alarm and could help prevent a tragedy!

When your detector activates, it will sound a steady beep – not to be confused with the short chirp it will make when the batteries are low.



## E.D.I.T.H. & D.A.N. Reminders

**Exit Drills In The Home and Drills At Night must be practiced regularly by your family.**

Be sure to plan at least two escape routes – one normal and at least one emergency exit!

Agree on a meeting place where everyone will go when they get out of the house. Make sure everyone knows where it is. Take a head count immediately – report to the Fire Chief if anyone is missing



## 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](http://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.

## 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

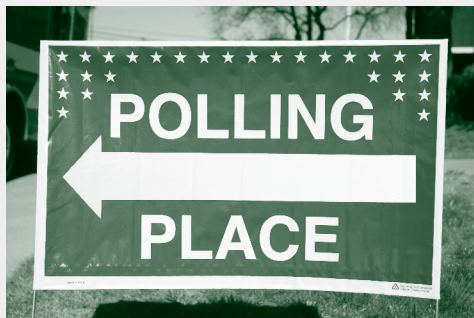
### Waste-to-Energy Facility

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](http://www.pavoterservices.state.pa.us/Pages/Polling).



## Information from the LCSWMA

### Waste is a Resource

For the majority of the United States, trash is sent to a landfill where it is buried and forgotten...but not in Lancaster County! Here, municipal solid waste (MSW) and recyclable materials are managed by the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA) through an innovative, multi-step process called an Integrated System.

With an aggressive, county-wide recycling program and a free, drive-through Household Hazardous Waste Facility, 43% of the Lancaster County's MSW is removed upfront; after which 55% of the remaining waste is burned at LCSWMA's WTE Facility in Conoy Township. The WTE Facility not only reduces the volume of the waste it processes by 90%, it also generates enough electricity to power one in six Lancaster County homes. The final 2% of MSW, mainly non-combustible material and ash from the WTE Facility, is disposed of at the Frey Farm Landfill in Manor Township.

To compare these numbers with the rest of the county, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reports that on average the nation recycles only 34% of MSW, combusts just 12% for energy recovery, and landfills a whopping 54% of waste. It's easy to see the exceptional resource we have in Lancaster County that diverts 98% of MSW from our landfill.

### Doing Your Part

In order to continue achieving these excellent results, residents play a pivotal role. LCSWMA offers the following tips and reminders when disposing of waste:

- **Recycle more!** It begins with the bin. Materials that should be placed inside your recycling bin include:
  1. **Cardboard:** standard boxes, pizza boxes, food boxes, other cardboard packaging
  2. **Paper:** newspapers, magazines, office paper
  3. **Plastic containers and bottles:** water, juice and soda bottles, plastic clamshells, yogurt containers, plastic containers and bottles #1 - #7
  4. **Metal and aluminum:** aluminum cans, steel cans and food containers, empty aerosol and paint cans
  5. **Glass:** food and beverage glass containers

Remember to rinse containers to remove food or product residue. Remove plastic caps or lids. Labels do not need to be removed from containers. Bundle loose paper and cardboard. Check the weather, and if the forecast calls for high winds or precipitation, keep your recyclables inside until the next scheduled pick-up day.



- **Computers, electronic waste, paint and more...** LCSWMA offers FREE disposal of household hazardous waste (HHW) at its HHW Facility located at 1299 Harrisburg Pike. Materials accepted include: adhesives, automotive and household batteries, chemistry sets, cooking and frying oils, covered devices (computers and televisions), other electronic waste (cameras, cell phones, DVD players, game consoles, etc.), fire extinguishers, floor and furniture polish, fuel, household cleaners, lawn treatments, mercury-containing items, paint and pool chemicals. The HHW Facility is open Monday - Friday from 7am to 4pm and Saturdays from 8am to 12pm.

- **Household batteries...** Use an orange battery bag, available at the Township office or by contacting LCSWMA, for safe disposal of household batteries and cell phones. When the bag is full, place it next to your recycle bin. You can also dispose of batteries at our municipal building or take them directly to LCSWMA's HHW Facility.
- **Construction/demolition (C/D) waste...** Based on trash fees, haulers are limited in the amount of C/D waste that can be collected curbside. Materials such as brick, concrete and lumber longer than six feet must be delivered to LCSWMA's Frey Farm Landfill for a fee.



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- Appliances... Appliances (with and without Freon) are accepted at LCSWMA's three Lancaster facilities for a nominal fee. Any ozone damaging gases are safely removed and the metal is recycled.

- Tires... Car, truck and motorcycle tires (with or without rims) are accepted at LCSWMA's three Lancaster facilities for a nominal fee. The rubber and metal is then recycled.

- Asbestos... All asbestos-containing material must be delivered directly to LCSWMA's Frey Farm Landfill for a fee. Friable asbestos must be wetted and double-bagged prior to delivery.
- Medical waste... Small amounts of in-home medical waste should be placed in a sealable plastic container and disposed of as regular trash. For large volumes of medical waste, contact the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP).
- Sharps... For the safe management of sharps, LCSWMA provides residents with a complimentary Safe Clip. This device holds 1,500 needles and safely stores them in an attached receptacle. When full, Safe Clips can be disposed of as regular trash.
- Prescription drugs... The U.S. Food and Drug Administration advises residents to first take advantage of any local drug take-back programs available to the public. Visit [www.lcswma.org](http://www.lcswma.org) for more details. If no disposal instructions are given on the prescription drug label, medication may be disposed of in your household trash using these steps:
  6. Remove them from their original containers and mix them with an undesirable substance, such as used coffee grounds or kitty litter (this makes the drug less appealing to children and pets, and unrecognizable to people who may intentionally go through the trash seeking drugs).
  7. Place the mixture in a sealable bag, empty can, or other container to prevent the drug from leaking or breaking out of a garbage bag.
- Grass clippings... The most environmentally beneficial way to dispose of grass clippings is to leave them on your lawn to decompose, which acts as natural fertilizer. If you choose not to recycle your grass clippings, the Township asks that you follow our yard waste recycling program (refer to the Clip Free section of the newsletter).



## To Learn More

If you have any questions regarding LCSWMA's Integrated System, facility location and operating hours, rates for materials delivered, or to request a free Safe Clip or battery bag, contact LCSWMA at 717-397-9968 or [info@lcswma.org](mailto:info@lcswma.org). Additional information about LCSWMA's renewable energy projects, community engagement activities and more can be found online at [www.lcswma.org](http://www.lcswma.org).

The LCSWMA Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facility located at the Transfer Station Complex offers free disposal of paint, chemicals, electronics and more to Lancaster County residents. On average, 250 customers visit the facility daily. In 2014, an incredible **72,075** customers used this service; that's a 20 percent increase from 2013.

A total of **3,229,161** lbs of material was received in 2014, which breaks down to:

- **2,498,391** lbs of e-waste
- **152,551** lbs of batteries
- **87,376** lbs of motor oil
- **81,600** lbs of flammable liquids
- **31,068** lbs of florescent bulbs
- **277,940** lbs of latex paint
- **100,235** lbs of other materials like antifreeze, cooking oil, pesticides, fire extinguishers, etc.



By disposing of your hazardous materials at the HHW Facility, you are helping to protect the environment and keep harmful items out of household trash.



## What is a Rain Garden?

A rain garden is a planted depression or a hole that allows rainwater runoff from impervious surfaces such as roofs, driveways, walkways, parking lots and compacted lawn areas ability to be absorbed into the earth. This reduces rain runoff by allowing storm water to soak into the ground instead of flowing into storm drains. Surface water is also able to soak into the ground instead of causing erosion, water pollution, flooding and diminished ground water. Rain gardens can be designed for specific areas, soil types and climates. The purpose of the rain garden is to improve water quality in nearby bodies of water. Rain gardens can cut down the amount of pollution reaching creeks and streams by up to 30%.

A rain garden a way to use and optimize any rain that falls, reducing or avoiding the need for irrigation. Rain gardens differ from retention basins, in that the water will infiltrate the ground within a day or two. This creates the advantage that the rain garden does not allow mosquitoes to breed.



**There is a  
parade planned  
for Maytown on  
Memorial Day.**

**If interested in helping or would like  
information on what has been planned so far,  
please e-mail Mike at [mguinivan@embarqmail.com](mailto:mguinivan@embarqmail.com)**

## Cold Frames

Cold frames are used to protect tender plants or rooted cuttings during the colder months. A cold frame is simply a box with a transparent lid or cover. It acts as a passive solar-energy collector and reservoir. During the day the sun's rays heat the air and soil in the frame. At night the heat absorbed by the soil radiates out keeping the plants warm.

A cold frame is useful at other times of year as well. In spring, it provides an ideal environment for hardening off annual flower and vegetable seedlings that were started indoors.

Seeds from many plants can be sown directly in the frame and grown there until it's time to transplant them to the garden. In summer, you can replace the cover with shade cloth or lath, creating a nursery for cuttings.

Set up your cold frame in a site protected from harsh winds. Place near trees, shrubs, a fence or wall facing south or southwest.

Placing the frame 8 to 10 inches into the ground significantly increases heat retention. Make sure the location has good drainage to avoid water collecting around the frame after every rain.

## Building a Cold Frame

Start by selecting a cover since its size will often determine the dimensions of the frame. Good choices include an old window sash or storm window. If you don't have one a good place to look for recycled windows is garage sales. A cover can also be made out of clear acrylic or fiberglass sheets between narrow strips of wood and reinforced at the corners with metal corner plates. Polyethylene film stapled to a wooden frame is another option. It is quick and inexpensive though it lasts only a year or so. Make sure the cover isn't too heavy so that it may be lifted easily. Don't make it too wide either or you will have a hard time reaching the plants inside the frame. A width of 2 ½ to 3 feet is ideal. A length of four feet will allow you to grow a variety of plants.

Build the frame from lumber such as rot-resistant redwood or cedar or less expensive plywood or scrap lumber. The frame should slope from about 1 ½ feet high at the back to 1 foot at the front. This traps the most heat and allows rainwater to run off. For strength the corners can be reinforced with vertical posts. Attach the cover with galvanized steel hinges and apply weather stripping around the top edges of the box.

Ventilation is vital to overheating. A minimum-maximum thermometer is useful for keeping track of temperature. Prop the cover open when the temperature inside the box reaches 70 to 75 degrees. Close the cover in late afternoon to trap the heat overnight. You can buy a nonelectric vent controller that will automatically open and close the cover at a preset temperature. On very cold nights drape the frame with an old blanket or piece of carpet to provide extra insulation.

