News and Information for the Good People of Mount Joy Township



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A Township Home for Generations to Come

We are more than halfway through renovation of the 1950s-era Fairview Elementary School! After years of planning this big project, the exciting transformation to the Mount Joy Township Municipal Complex is coming to a close. Contractors have been working diligently since August to create a new home for the Township offices and the headquarters of the Northwest Regional Police Department. The Township Administration, Public Works, and Regional Police Department expect to be in and settled by Labor Day 2017. As we move towards that time, you will continue to see big changes at 8853 Elizabethtown Road. Interior work is ahead of schedule, improvements to the grounds are underway for the spring season, and the new Public Works garage is going up behind the main building. Once we are moved in, stop by to see the renovated school during office hours or in the evening for a Board of Supervisors meeting. by: Justin Evans, Township Manager



Aerial view of the Mount Joy Twp Municipal Complex under construction

Far left-police offices & parking lot * Far right-new Public Works building * Top-parking lot for office staff & visitors

Mount Joy Township Staff Updates

On February 3rd, we lost one of our newest employees, Saxon Ansell, unexpectedly to natural causes. It was a sudden and rough loss for the Township staff, and most certainly for his own family and friends. At the young age of 22, he was well respected and had a deserving reputation as a hard worker. He joined the Township Road Crew in September 2016 and made a big impact in just four short months.

Congratulations to Parks Superintendent Bob Carroll on becoming a Certified Playground Safety Inspector with the National Recreation and Park Association. His certification puts us in a better position to provide safer playground equipment and play areas for children.

Come May, long-time Public Works Department employee Fareed Khan will be leaving us to enjoy a life of retirement. Fareed has dedicated 22 years to serving the people of Mount Joy Township and will be greatly missed. We wish you all the best Fareed!

Mount Joy Township Boards 7:00 PM

(Mount Joy Twp Meeting Room)



Board of Supervisors 3rd Monday

Gerald F. Becker- Chairman David W. Sweigart III- V. Chairman Lisa S. Heilner Gerald G. Cole

Debra E. Dupler

Zoning Hearing Board 1st Wednesday

Thomas N. Campbell - Chairman James E. Hershey - V. Chairman Gregory R. Hitz, Sr. - Secretary Robert F. Newton, Jr. - Alternate

Planning Commission 4th Monday

John W. Dice - Chairman Lisa S. Heilner - V. Chairman Richard C. Gates - Secretary Gerald F. Becker

Delmar Oberholtzer Michael G. Mckinne Kevin M. Baker

Park & Recreation 3rd Tuesday

Jeff Phillippe - Chairman Lou Starzl - V. Chairman Donald W. Bush - Secretary John L. Felix, Jr. William Duncan

Police Commission 4th Tuesday

John O. Yoder III - Chairman Lisa S. Heilner - V. Chairman Debra E. Dupler Douglas Hottenstein Philip Dunn

E-town Area Water Authority

2nd Monday 6:30 pm EAWA Building

C. Dale Treese - Chairman Keith Murphy - V. Chairman Richard Sheidy - Treasurer Richard A. Erb - Assistant Treasurer

Jeff McCloud - Secretary

Charles A. Brewer - Assistant Secretary Vacant - Community PR

E-town Regional Sewer Authority

2nd Tuesday 7:00 pm W. Donegal Twp Building

Dan Brill - Chairman Richard Erb - V. Chairman

David W. Sweigart III - Secretary

P. Allen Sollenberger - Asst. Secretary

Ken Shaffer - Treasurer

David T. Lewis - Asst. Treasurer

Projects = Permits

Before starting any project, you must obtain the proper permits from the Township. Permit applications can be picked up at the Township office or printed off our website at www.mtjoytwp.org. You may not start your project without processed permits in your possession. If you are not sure which permits you need for your project, call the Township office at 367-8917 for the Zoning Officer.

Attention Residents!

Facebook: Mount Joy Township is now on Facebook! Friend us and stay informed with the most up-to-date information.

<u>Cardboard Dumpster</u>: still available for corrugated cardboard only. Located in the lower parking lot right behind the Holiday Inn Express. Please flatten all cardboard & remove all packing materials.

<u>Drop Box</u>: still available for Township business such as trash payments and permits.

Attention Landlords

If you notify the Township when you have a new tenant moving into your rental unit, we will send them a packet of information pertaining to our trash program.

If your tenant is responsible for the trash & recycling bill. please be sure to get the trash bill to them within a week after you recieve it.

Contact our Rental Code Enforcement Officer, Bryan Ressler, when new tenants move into any of your rental units. (Call Bryan Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays @ 367-8917))

(This rental program replaces the former program that charged \$2 each time a new tenant moved into a unit.)

Don't be the last to know!

Get the most up-to-date information!

ALWAYS

check our



website: www.mtjoytwp.org

or: Facebook Page

We Have Parks!

Did you know Mount Joy Township owns 3 parks.

Our original park, Wolgemuth Park, is located on Elizabethtown Road adjacent to the new Mount Joy Township Municipal Complex. It is home to 1 pavilion, playground equipment & multiple sports fields.

Cove Outlook Park is located on Old Market Street across from the CTC in Mount Joy. It offers 4 pavilions, 2 playgrounds, a soccer field and acres of walking paths.

Old Trolley Line Park, a work in progress, is located on Beverly Road in the northwest section of the Township. Work on the first phase will begin in May of 2017; when phase one is complete it will offer 2 ball fields, a multi-purpose field & walking paths.

The 5 pavilions are available for rent; Township residents pay \$15 per pavilion; non-residents pay \$25 per pavilion. Call us at 367-8917 for reservations.



Taking your dog to any of our parks? Remember, ALL dogs must be on a leash! Lost an item at the park? Call our office at 367-8917; we may have it here.

Milanof-Shock Library News

Two Book Discussion Groups Offered

Book Discussion Group: meets to discuss a selection of classic literature – 3rd Monday of the month @ 6:30 pm Original Book Discussion Group: meets to discuss a variety of genres – 4th Tuesday of the month @ 6:30 pm The monthly selections for each group can be found on the Library's web site. www.mslibrary.org

WWI Programs Coming

A series of WWI programs will begin in April. For more detailed information, please visit our website.

Blueberry Sale Begins in April!

Our first Blueberry Sale Fundraiser was such a huge success we are going to do it again this year! Place your order beginning April 17 with a pickup scheduled for the week of June 27.

The cost will be \$30 for each 10-pound box shipping directly from a farm in New Jersey.



Parade Float

Join us Friday, May, 26th to help build our Memorial Day Parade Float, or join us in the parade Saturday, May 27.

Summer Reading Program

"Build a Better World" kicks off Saturday, June 3. Summer offerings include: Elephant & Piggy, catapult building with Lego "Bricks for Kids" program, a Maker Fest, Giggle Magic's Silly Safari, Jesse the Reptile Guy, Ryan the Bug Guy, Lunch Bunch Book Club, Fun Family Bingo, Lego Club & much more!

<u>Friends Used Book Sale</u> will be held at the Donegal High School June 8, 9 & 10. Hours, prices, and other information can be found on the Library's web site. <u>www.mslibrary.org</u>

<u>15th Annual Milanof-Schock Library Benefit Auction</u> will take place at the end of August. Please visit the Library's web site for the date, time, and theme of this year's event. <u>www.mslibrary.org</u>

Free Language-Learning Service

Pronunciator is a language-learning service that is available to you free of charge! It is a fun way to learn any of 80 languages with self-directed lessons, live teachers, movies, music and more! You will need your Library Card number.

<u>Wowbrary</u>

Would you love to be informed of new items that come into the Library? Wowbrary is a FREE service recently acquired by our Library for patrons and library-lovers! Wondering about new DVDs, new biographies, fiction, or non-fiction books at the library? All you have to do is sign up on the Library's web site to receive the weekly newsletter!

Follow us on Facebook & Instagram. Check us out on our website www.mslibrary.org. Sign up for our newsletter!

RECYCLABLE!

Newspapers, Inserts & Office Paper (any color) Phone Books & Other Soft Cover Books & Photos Magazines, Catalogs & Gift Wrap (no glitter or foil) Junk Mail, Envelopes & Paper Bags Plastic & Glass Bottles & Containers Yogurt, Butter, Flower Pots, Etc. Clamshells (food containers) Cardboard Boxes & Clean Pizza Boxes Waxy Cartons (milk, broth, juice, soup, wine, etc) Paperboard Boxes (cereal, jello, tissue, etc) **Empty Paper Towel & Toilet Paper Rolls** Cans - Aluminum, Empty Aerosol & Dried Paint FLATTEN BOXES / RINSE CONTAINERS

NOT RECYCLABLE!

Broken Glass & Drinking Glasses Window Glass, Mirrors, Ceramics Clothing Hangers of Any Kind Plastic: Wrappers, Utensils, Bags, Bubble Wrap Needles & Medical Waste **Used Paper Towels or Tissues** Chemical, Oil or Solvent Containers Wet Papers or Cardboard Aluminum Foil or Pans & Scrap Metal Diapers, Shredded Paper, Hoses Light Bulbs & Christmas Lights Packing Peanuts & Styrofoam Food Waste & Food Soiled Materials



Rinsing Right?

Packages containing lots of thick, sticky residue, like peanut butter, honey, icing, etc. should be rinsed thoroughly. Packages containing soap (dishwasher or laundry detergent, shampoo, hand soap, etc) should NOT be rinsed; residual soap helps to clean the package during reprocessing.



Shredded Paper

Shredded paper is no longer recyclable....

it should be placed in your trash recepticle. Shred only documents with sensitive information; put all non-sensitive papers straight into your recycle bin. Shredded paper jams up the machines of the recycling process.

For safe disposal of expired drugs, go to:

Northwest Regional Police Department 155 Merts Drive, Elizabethtown



WYW Pickups for 2017

April 10-11-12 * 24-25-26 May 8-9-10 * 22-23-24 June 5-6-7 * 19-20-21 July 3-5-6 * 17-18-19 * 31 August 1-2 * 14-15-16 * 28-29-30 September 11-12-13 * 25-26-27 October 9-10-11 * 23-24-25

WYW BAGS

- 1. Bags available FREE at Twp Office 8am - 4pm
- 2. Can pre-arrange pickup of bags after hours, call 367-8917.
- 3. Never place grass clippings in WYW bags.
- 4. Set out Rain or Shine limit of 20 bags/bundles per day
- 5. Branches/shrubs bundled no longer than 4' - tied with twine
- 6. WYW is picked up the same day as your trash!

~ RECYCLE BINS ~

- * Free from the Township
- * Belong to Address not Resident
- * Broken? Attach note to recycle
- * Pre-arrange after hour pickup Questions: call 367-8917



REMINDER

When WINDY weather is predicted, do not place recycling out for pickup. Keep it for the next week.

Penn Waste Stickers

If you are using a recepticle other than one of our recycling bins, please come into our office and pick up a "Penn Waste" sticker to place on your container to guarantee pick up.

White Goods & Tire Collection Saturday, September 16, 2017

Buy tags by:

Thursday September 14

Place curbside:

Friday September 15

Picked up:

Saturday September 16

Tire Tag: \$1.50

Limit 10 tires per address (on or off the rims)

White Goods Tag: \$12.00 Includes, but not limited to:

washers dryers dishwashers stoves

furnaces treadmills

refrigerators air conditioners

dehumidifiers freezers

water heaters oversized metal items

NEVER Put These CURBSIDE

Televisions - Computers - Laptops - Monitors - Printers - Keyboards - Mouse



DVD & VCR players - Photo & Video Cameras - Batteries
Paint - Thinners - Turpentive - All Chemicals - Household Cleaners
Fire Extinguishers - Ballasts - Flourescent Bulbs - Cooking & Frying Oils
Thermostats - Thermometers - Lawn Treatments
Gasoline - Kerosene - Propane - Automotive Fluids

Find the full list at: LCSWMA.org

- * Resources
- * Hazardous waste & E-waste



LCSWMA 1299 Harrisburg Pike Lancaster, PA 397-9968

Bagsters

PENN WASTE Cannot & Will Not Pick Up Bagsters!

Before purchasing a "Bagster" at your local home supply store, visit "www.thebagster.com" and check out the price you will pay to have it picked up.



The only company that can pick up a "bagster" is Waste Management.

Commercial, Industrial & Institutions

You are required by ordinance to recycle!

If you are not already recycling,
contact your hauler to have
recycling "toters"
placed beside your dumpster!



Shredding Event It's coming!

Mount Joy Township, in partnership with
West Donegal Township,
will be co-hosting our first ever Shred-It Event.
The 4 hour event will be held at the West Donegal
Township Municipal facility sometime in September;
the date and time have yet to be determined.
The event is open for Mount Joy & West Donegal
Township residents only;

you will need to show proof of residency.
In lieu of a fee, we ask that everyone bring a canned/boxed food donation for a local food bank.
For further details, watch our website (mtjoytwp.org), our FaceBook page and the Merchandiser.



Don't limit your challenges
- challenge your limits!
Jerry Dunn

DO <u>NOT</u> RECYCLE MEDICAL WASTE it is TRASH!

In 2016, Penn Waste received over 500 Ibs of medical waste at their recycling facility!

This is a safety hazard for team members who manually sort through the recycling; they are put at risk of being stuck by a needle.



The 2 safest ways to dispose of medical waste is:

- 1. Obtain a "SHARPS" container from LCSWMA by calling 397-9968; they will be happy to send you one. When it's full, simply toss it in the trash.
- 2. Place objects in a "thick" container with a lid (coffee can/detergent bottle). Secure the lid with duct tape and throw it in the trash.

Elizabethtown College

Check out our Arts & Cultural Events @
https://www.etown.edu/newsandevents/cultural/
Example: Spring Theatre Production

"Getting Out"

by: Marsha Norman April 20 - April 21 - April 22 BSC Tempest Theatre

Bird Cage-Game Room



Calendar of Events

May 19 Baccalaureate &

Reflections by the Lake

Outside evening event

@ Leffler Chapel

May 20 <u>Commencement</u>

11 am in the Dell

August 24-27 Students arrive

August 28 First day of classes

Mastersonville Fire Department

For 20 years, Mastersonville Fire Company has been planning, and anticipating, the construction of a new fire station. Final plans by SGS Architects and Engineers have been approved and Paul Risk Construction from Quarryville has been selected to construct our new fire station. Various local businesses have offered equipment, or donated services, to help in our endeavor. Permits have been submitted to Rapho Township and the loan paperwork is all but done. Hopefully we will have ground-breaking in early April with completion this Fall. Total cost of this project is approximately 2.4 million dollars and includes 6 truck bays, offices, storage, training facilities and a 13,000-gallon underground water supply tank. The new building will be constructed on a 10-acre parcel directly across the street from the current station located at 2166 Meadow View Road, Manheim. Please visit our website often at www.mastersonvillefire.com to follow our progress and to support our fund-raising events. Your efforts are greatly appreciated in helping us pay for our new station and providing everyone in our community with quality fire and EMS services.

Save the Date....May 6th....Chicken Bar-B-Que....Fire Station....10:00 am till Sold Out !

Elizabethtown Fire Department

Elizabethtown Fire Department is staffed with a group of 100% volunteer firefighters. Your support & donations help us to provide "24/7" emergency services to our community. Please remember to support our fundraising efforts:



Saturday, May 27 - Chicken BBQ Friday, Sept 8 - Golf Tournament

Elizabethtown Area Water Authority - EAWA

Planting of EAWA's Rain Garden –Help! EAWA needs volunteers to assist with the mulching and planting of their Rain Garden on April 29th (Rain date: May 13th) from 8 am - ? at 211 W Hummelstown St, Elizabethtown. To volunteer for the planting call 717-367-7448 by April 24th.





155 Merts Drive Elizabethtown

Office: 367-8481 Fax: 367-3382 8am-4pm

After 4pm (ring bell) Chief of Police

Mark Mayberry Secretary

Tracy Hendrickson

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On January 24th, 2017, Northwest Regional Police Commission promoted Officer Michael Bryant to Patrol Sergeant. An officer since 2000, Sergeant Bryant is an NRA Certified Firearms Instructor, a Certified Accident Reconstructionist, a Certified Child Safety Seat inspector and serves on the Northwest Crash Team.

Congratulations Sergeant Bryant!

National Night Out

In January 2017, Northwest Regional
Police Department and
Northwest Regional Police Commission hired
Officer Frank Jones. Officer Jones is a graduate
of the 108th Municipal Police Academy, he
graduated from Millersville University and was
honorably discharged from the Marine Corps after
serving four years. Welcome Officer Jones!

Summer 2017's National Night Out is planned for Tuesday, August 1st.



717-367-0355 **Programs & Services** Available

- Recreation
- **Child Care**
- **Senior Center**
- **Community Center** GetintoGEARS.org





"Spring Mix" Golf Tournament Friday, April 28 1 pm Sunset Golf

Course



Tuesdays, June-August **GEARS** Community Ctr Movies & Times TBA

Movies at the Center





Senior Center

Basket Bingo

Saturday, September 9 2 pm GEARS Community Ctr

Kids Center

367-0119

For ages 3 - 12

- * Preschool
- * Kindergarten
- * Summer Camp
- * Before & After School





EGGSTRAVAGANZA

E-town Community Park Saturday, April 8th, 10 am

Rheems Fire Department

Volunteers of the Rheems Fire Department will again be hosting their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday April 8, 2017 from 10:00 am to Noon at the station. There will be age appropriate categories for the hunt and the "alarm" sounds at 10:15 sharp. Photos with the Easter bunny, a craft and snacks are provided free of charge. No tickets required, however donations are always appreciated.

Rheems Fire Department will be hosting another Blood Drive on Wednesday May 3, 2017 from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the station. Check our website or Facebook page for more details.

We have begun planning the Department's 100th year celebration for 2020 and our Autumn Fest and Holiday Fun Fest for 2017.

Rheems Fire Department directly serves a population of nearly 5,000 residents and covers over 100 businesses in West Donegal & Mount Joy Townships. In addition, we provide mutual aid services to Elizabethtown Borough, Mount Joy Borough, East Donegal Township, Conoy Township, Rapho Township, Conewago Township and Londonderry Township.

Interested in joining our 100% volunteer department? Contact us at 717-367-1569, or on our website at www.rheemsfire.com, or friend us on Facebook. In addition to firefighters and junior firefighters, we still need volunteers to handle IT, accounting/finance, marketing, legal issues, community event planning and more.

DEP: Pool Owners - Handle Waste Water Responsibly

In an effort to help protect stream health and aquatic life, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) would like to remind private and public pool owners, as well as pool management companies, how to properly close swimming pools for the season.

Discharged pool water, and waters containing chlorine or other chemicals, can be detrimental to aquatic life if not handled responsibly. Pool waters must never be discharged to any storm sewer or land in which a storm sewer is accessible. Runoff can cause fish kills and unsafe aquatic conditions.

When draining a swimming pool, make sure to protect Pennsylvania by following these tips:

- Dispose of Pool Water through the sanitary sewer system, ONLY with municipal permission.
- Never dispose of pool water through a storm sewer that discharges to a stream.
- If lowering the water level of the pool, let it drain to a lawn to prevent it from running off into a storm sewer.
- Use your pool water for irrigation, if it does not run off the property, or into a storm sewer.



The discharge of swimming pool water to any waters of the commonwealth without a permit is a violation of the Clean Streams Law. Violators of this law may face prosecution and be penalized for damages. CONTACT: Neil Shader, 717-787-1323

Mount Joy Township 159 Merts Drive Flizabethtown, PA 17022



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Mount Joy Township

159 Merts Drive - Elizabethtown 8 AM - 4 PM

367-8917 ~ 367-0518 ~ 653-4959 PW 653-6312 ~ Fax 367-9208

Twp Manager/Zoning: Justin Evans Secretary/Asst Zoning: Patricia Bailey Recycling Coordinator: Vicki Carroll Treasurer: Richard Forry Assistant Treasurer: Sherri Minnich Code Enforcement: Bryan Ressler

Bob Carroll Park Superintendent: Road Master: Ken Ebersole Public Works Foreman: Anton Persson Public Works Crew: Fareed Khan



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Township Holidays

Memorial Day closed: May 29th Independence Day closed: July 4th Labor Day closed:

September 4th



Trash billed: June 1st Payment due: July 3rd

Payments not in our office, or dropbox, by 4pm July 3rd will be considered late.

Changes to Trash Pickup

Memorial Day:

Mon goes Tues Tues goes Wed Wed goes Thur

Independence Day:

Mon goes Mon Tues goes Wed Wed goes Thur

Labor Day:

Mon goes Tues Tues goes Wed Wed goes Thur