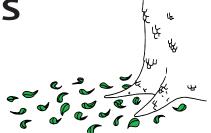
News and Information for the Good People of Mount Joy Township



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Open House Scheduled

Mount Joy Township will be hosting an open house of our newly renovated "Fairview Municipal Complex" Monday evening, October 16th from 4 pm until 7 pm. Open House will be followed by the monthly Board of Supervisors Meeting at 7:00. Come enjoy some light refreshments while you stroll through the old school. Hope to see you there!

Mount Joy Township is on the Move

With nearly three months left, 2017 has already been a momentous year, punctuated by the completion of the Fairview Elementary School renovation project. The Township and Northwestern Lancaster County Regional Police Department moved into the Mount Joy Township Fairview Municipal Complex in August, next door to our very popular Wolgemuth Park. And, speaking of parks, construction of Phase 1 of Old Trolley Line Park on Beverly Road is nearly complete. Parking areas will soon be open for access to the walking trails on site or the trailhead to the beautiful Conewago Recreation Trail. Take advantage and enjoy one of your municipal parks today!

Significant progress was made this year in the ongoing effort to rehabilitate and maintain our roadways. An extremely problematic stretch of Cassell Road was reclaimed and rebuilt, and over one mile of roads was resurfaced by our Road Crew. This was a productive year for Public Works with gutter cleaning, base repairs on multiple roadways, tree trimming and other important maintenance duties. The Township's Road Improvement Plan is now under development and should lay the foundation for years of improvements and proper upkeep.

We look to 2018 as a year of stability and improvement, both with the Township Administration's delivery of services, and where you probably notice it the most, on our roads and in our parks. In March, the Township will be issued a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. This will require a considerable effort on our part to comply with this water quality permit. It also calls upon you to be part of the solution. So be on the lookout for educational information and ways that you can become involved in future newsletter editions and on our website and Facebook page.

Mount Joy Township Staff Updates

After over 20 years of serving the Township, Fareed Khan retired from the Road Crew in May. Sean Donato and Bryan Range were hired shortly before Fareed's retirement to bolster the crew and gain some of his experience. In August, we were pleased to bring longtime Assistant Treasurer, Sherri Minnich, on as a fulltime employee. Sherri's knowledge is a huge asset and we appreciate having her here five days a week! by: Justin Evans, MJT Manager



Old Trolley Line Park under construction



Additional Old Trolley Line Park Info

With the completion of Phase 1 at Old Trolley Line Park, the park is now home to 2 ball fields, a multi-purpose field, walking paths & parking areas.

The playing fields will not be ready for use until Spring of 2019, this will give the grass time to become established.

Please feel free to stroll the paths of our new park, but please stay off of the ball fields.

Just a reminder, ALL dogs must be leashed at all Mount Joy Township Parks!

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

Nicilalu A. Elb - 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



8855 Elizabethtown Road - Elizabethtown

Ph: 367-8481 Fax: 367-3382 8am-4pm Please note our change of address!

March 2017, Officer Carl Bergmark, a graduate of Elizabethtown College, was hired fulltime by the Northwest Regional Police Department. Officer Bergmark completed the Municipal Police Academy in 2014 and after graduation worked at Susquehanna Regional Police Department. We welcome Officer Bergmark as an outstanding addition to our police department.



The Northwest Regional Police Department would like to thank everyone who joined us at our annual National Night Out event on August 1st, 2017; a special "Thank You" to Cocker's Towing for once again sponsoring the spectacular fireworks display that ended the event. We look forward to seeing you at next year's event scheduled for August 7th, 2018.

For safe disposal, take all expired drugs to:



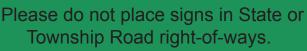
Northwest Regional Police Department 8855 Elizabethtown Road, Elizabethtown



For safe disposal, take unused, or unwanted, ammunition to a State Police location, or a local gun club or shooting range.

Always call ahead to make arrangements for drop-off.

Signs, Signs, Everywhere are Signs!





This includes political, real estate, advertising, garage or yard sales, etc.

They will be removed!

Quick Answers!

YES we are now doing business from our new building at 8853 Elizabethtown Road.

WE we are on Facebook - check us out to keep updated on the latest information!

YES, we still have our Cardboard Dumpster - located on the left side of our parking lot.

DO I need a permit? Do not start any project until you call or come into get your permit applications!

YES, we still have our "Drop Box" - It is now bright RED & located in front of our new building.

RENTALS, new tenant moving in? Call our office so we can send them information on our trash program.

CODE Enforcement Officer, Bryan Ressler, is only in the office Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays.

RECYCLE Bins are free from the Township, just come into the office & pick one up.....OR

CALL our office if you can't make it in and we will place one out for same day, afterhours pickup!

BROKEN Bin - put a note on it saying "please take and recycle", they will take it with your recycling.

TRASH missed? Please call the same day, or early the next day, so we can have Penn Waste come back.

THREE different trucks - Trash truck - Recycle truck - WYW truck - no one truck picks up everything.

WYW/LEAF Bags are to be used for pick up by Penn Waste for Township customers ONLY!!

TAGS for extra bags, oversized items, tires & whitegoods can only be purchased at OUR Office.

SCHEDULE magnets are for your use throughtout the year for all special pickups & pickup changes.

CFL bulbs are still collected by the Township; just bring them in and hand them to office staff.

ALWAYS check our website or FB page for updates on roads, trash service, snowstorm closures, etc.

Voter Venue Changes

This coming November's election will see changes to where some residents vote.

If you previously voted at our 159 Merts Drive location, you will now vote at the Alliance Church on Cloverleaf Road, across from Norlanco.

If you previously voted at Darrenkamp's Market, you will now be voting at our new location at 8853 Elizabethtown Road.

You should be receiving a new voter's registration card in the next few weeks.

Trick or Treat Tuesday, October 31





Fall Back Sunday, November 5th!

The shortest distance between two people is a smile. Victor Borgo



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



Elizabethtown Public Library

We marked the end of the Summer Reading Program with a Lego Block Party Reading Program, 1,287 readers participated.

Slow things down at Elizabethtown Coffee Company. Enjoy a variety of iced coffee drinks, sweet blended beverages, snacks and a welcoming place to gather with friends.

Toddler Time story time continues this fall, includes motion songs, take home activities, stories and a craft. Afterwards, children have free time, while the grown-ups have a chance to chat and mingle.

The Touch a Truck program ran from June 13 to August 8; a different vehicle visited every Tuesday morning. Participants got to explore the vehicles and talk with real community helpers like Mike, the EMT who brought the ambulance to visit.

Summer's over, but we're excited for what's coming up! The Library resumes its school-year Saturdays with hours 9am - 4pm and its year-round weekday hours of Mondays Noon - 8pm, Tuesday - Thursdays 9am - 8pm, and Fridays 9am - 1pm. The Library will be open from 5:00pm - 8:00pm to join in the Second Friday festivities through the new year.

Come December, the Train Guys' Holiday Train Display returns, as does the Miracle on Market Street Christmas Shoppe, shopping especially for children ages 4 - 12.

The ExtraOrdinary Give is just around the corner on November 17, 2017. Starting at midnight through, 11:59 pm, your gift, given on line at extragive.org, will be stretched by the very generous stretch pool made possible by the Lancaster County Community Foundation, Rogers & Associates, the S. Dale High Family Foundation, and others.

> Mount Joy Township Doors Are Opened at 7:30 am & Closed at 4:00 pm PLEASE Do Not leave items outside the doors to the building!

NEVER 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 or call 397-9968



LCSWMA 1299 Harrisburg Pike Lancaster, PA

FALL Leaf Pickup 2017

Saturdays: November 4th & 18th December 2nd & 16th LEAVES ONLY ON ABOVE DATES

Christmas Tree Pickup

Saturday: January 13, 2018

WYW Pickup of 2018

April 9-10-11 * 23-24-25 May 7-8-9- * 21-22-23 June 4-5-6 * 18-19-20 July 2-3-5 * 16-17-18 * 30-31 August 1 * 13-14-14 * 27-28-29 September 10-11-12 * 24-25-26

October 8-9-10 * 22-23-24

Attention



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



Penn Waste Stickers

Using a recepticle other than our recycling bin? Come into our office for a "Penn Waste" sticker to place on your container to guarantee pick up of your recycling.

White Goods & Tire Collection Saturday, March 24, 2018

Buy tags by: Thu. March 22 Curbside: Fri. March 23 Picked up: Sat. March 24

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 freezers

furnaces treadmills refrigerators air conditioners dehumidifiers

water heaters oversized metal items

Shredded Paper

is no longer recyclable....handle as trash!

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!

To Rinse or Not to Rinse!

Packages containing thick, sticky residue, like peanut butter, honey, icing, etc. should be rinsed thoroughly. Packages containing any kind of soap or shampoo should NOT be rinsed; residual soap helps in the cleaning process.

Kirby, the therapy dog.

Milanof-Schock Library in Mount Joy

Miss Jan holds monthly programs for children and families! Weekly story times, family bingo, preschool science, and homeschool art class are a few of the programs offered.

- The Library offers monthly adult programs as well!
- Adult Game Night is the 1st Monday evening of the month at 6pm.
- The Closely Knit group knits together the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 1pm.
- Yes, You CAN Paint is held the 2nd Thursday at 2pm and 4th Wednesday at 6pm.
- Lifelong Learners program is held the 4th Monday of every month.
- The Writers' Circle run by poet Ingrid Andersen is every 4th Monday at 6pm.
- Friends' of Milanof-Schock Library presented us with a check for \$22,000 to be used toward library materials and services.
- We will be holding a Pork BBQ Fundraiser at the Library Friday, October 13 from 4-7pm. Dinners are \$10 each featuring Harveys Main Street BBQ. Dinners include Pulled Pork Sandwich, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans and a Dessert. Plan to let Harvey cook for you that night! Tickets will be available in the Library and all proceeds will benefit the Library.
- The Friends' annual Gift, Book, and Bake Sale will be Nov. 16-18 during Library hours (Friday it will be open 10-6)
- Our 15th Annual Benefit Auction was a great success! We grossed close to \$26,000 and had the highest attendance in the 15 years of this auction. Thank you to all participants and volunteers for their support and contributions to this special event! Does your child need extra help with reading skills? Kirby, a sweet Westie Reading Buddy loves to listen to children read. A certified therapy dog for 8 years, Kirby visits every Wednesday evening; call Miss Jan to reserve a time. 717-653-1510









Fall & Winter Reminders

- Do not place leaves on Township roads, in drainage ditches or over storm drains. If you have a storm drain in front of your property, please keep it clear of leaves and all debris.
- If you have a basketball net that hangs over any portion of a Township road, please remove it. It is a hazard for any passing vehicles, including garbage trucks, delivery trucks and, especially, snow plows that need to get close to the curbing.
- When snow falls, please be patient. Our crew salts 64 miles of Township roads and we plow 128 miles of Township roads. We will do our best to get a plow truck to your street as quickly as possible.
- If you clear your driveway before the street is plowed, do not throw snow into the street. When the plow truck comes by, the snow will inevitably end up back on your property. It is NOT the responsibility of the Township to clear the end of your driveway once the plow has passed through.
- When a snowstorm is forecast, remove all vehicles from Township roads so the entire road can be plowed.
- Plowing main arteries will be our first priority, followed by secondary roads and then developments.
- Sidewalks and fire hydrants must be cleared within 24 hours after the end of a snow or ice event.

Thank you in advance for your patience & understanding!

Elizabethtown College

Important Dates:

October 21 Homecoming Thanksgiving Break November 23-26

December 15 to

January 16 Holiday Break March 5 -11 Spring Break

For a listing of all cultural events on campus for the Fall semester: http://www.etown.edu/newsandevents/ Featuring Samantha Nutt, The Carlos and Georgiana Leffler Lecturer, November 30, 2017

Karen Armstrong, The Ware Lecture on Peacemaking

Lecturer, April 10, 2018

Don't Fall for Scammers

Phone scammers who impersonate PPL Electric Utilities give themselves away by doing two things PPL doesn't. The scammers claim they'll cut off power in an hour or two if they don't get paid, and they often pressure you to pay them with prepaid cards. (In reality, PPL gives plenty of notice when there's a possible risk of shutoff, and the company doesn't pressure anyone to use specific payment methods.) If you get one of these calls, you can always check your account status by logging on at www.pplelectric.com or hang up and call 1-800-DIAL-PPL to verify the call. Do the same thing if you get a call that claims to come from another company - like a gas utility or a bank - Hang up and contact the company directly using a phone number on your monthly statement or from the company's website.



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

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





Saturday December 4th 4:00 pm

Saturday, March 31, 2018 10:00 am E-town

Community Park

Saturday October 28



10:00 am - 2:00 pm **E-town Fairgrounds**

Kids Center

* Preschool

*Kindergarten

*Summer Camp *Before & After School Ages 3 - 12

717-367-0119



<u>Saturday</u> November 11th



Pancake Breakfast

GFARS Community Center

Northwest EMS



Emergency medical care is just minutes away for Mount Joy Township residents. Northwest EMS ambulances respond to hundreds of calls each year in the township. Besides medical care, the EMTs provide community services like CPR and First Aid classes, school visits, presentations to service clubs, and more.

The non-profit company is not included as regular municipal budget line, but receives a donation from the township that can vary in amount. That's why an important source of income for the ambulance is the annual subscription drive, which begins in November. If you have not received a subscription form by December 15, call 361-8220, ext. 4, and ask for one.

What's the benefit of sending in your subscription fee? Northwest EMS will waive the balance of a bill after the insurance reimbursement is received. An emergency ambulance response costs more than \$1,000, so the savings can be significant. If an insurance company applies the ambulance bill to your deductible and does not reimburse Northwest EMS, the bill will be discounted 50 percent. So a \$1,000 bill becomes \$500. In addition, subscription fees are tax-deductible and support the purchase of medical equipment and training programs.

2121 Meadow View Road, Manheim PA 17545

Builder: Paul Risk Construction

Architect: Denny Sowers, SGS Architects Engineers, Inc.

New Fire Station Square footage: 12,586 6 – Bays with Office and storage space

Underground water cistern

Oil/grease/soap water separator, etc. Approximate total cost: 2.3 Million

Start Date: May 2017

Completion Date: Spring 2018

Serving: Rapho Township & Mount Joy Township.

Service area: 23 Square miles Total calls for service in 2016: 425 2017 Operating budget: \$263,295



Mastersonville Fire Department

President: Matt Shenk Chief: Jeff Siegrist

Membership: 85 with approx. 30 active. Building Committee Chair: Troy Montgomery Many local businesses have graciously donated their time and/or materials for this project

Annual Pig Roast - November 11th - 3:00 till sold out - carry out meals & baked goods -Cost TBD

Rheems Fire Department

Rheems Fire Department has begun to plan what will be their 100th Centennial in 2020. We are looking for any old photos, stories, memorabilia that you or your family members may wish to contribute to our "story." Please reach out to <u>wfaust@rheemsfire.com</u> with any information you may be willing to share.

The Fire Department is happy to announce the following dates for our upcoming public events.

Autumn Fest: Saturday, October 28, 2017 from 4-6pm.
Holiday Fun Fest: Friday, December 8, 2017 from 6-8pm

Easter Egg Hunt: March 24, 2018 from 10 am to 12 Noon.

Keep an eye out for future blood drives as well!

More information on these events is on our website www.rheemsfire.com, or on our Facebook Page.

Interested in volunteering? In addition to needing firefighters and junior firefighters, there are still needs for assistance in any areas that could include IT, accounting/finance, marketing, legal, community event planning, and more! Contact us at 717-367-1569 for more information!

Rheems Fire Department is located in the Village of Rheems in West Donegal Township, Northwestern Lancaster County. We are staffed 100% volunteer at every level.

Mount Joy Township 8853 Elizabethtown Road Elizabethtown, PA 17022

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Mount Joy Township

8853 Elizabethtown Road - Elizabethtown 8 AM - 4 PM

Phone: 717-367-8917 Fax: 717-367-9208



Twp Manager/Zoning: Justin Evans
Secretary/Asst Zoning: Patricia Bailey
Recycling Coordinator: Vicki Carroll
Richard Forry
Assistant Treasurer: Sherri Minnich
Code Enforcement: Bryan Ressler
Park Superintendent: Bob Carroll
Road Master: Ken Ebersole
Public Works Foremen: Anton Person

Public Works Foreman: Anton Persson
Public Works Crew: Bryan Range Jr
Sean Donato

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Township Holidays

Thanksgiving closed: November 23 & 24 Christmas closed: December 25 & 26

New Years closed: January 1
Good Friday closed: March 30



Created by Vicki Carroll 717-367-8917 Trash billed: December 1st Payment due: January 2nd

Payments not in our office, or dropbox, by 4pm January 2nd will be considered late.

Changes to Trash Pickup

Thanksgiving: NO Change

Christmas:

Mon goes Tues Tues goes Wed Wed goes Thur

New Years:

Mon goes Tues Tues goes Wed Wed goes Thur

Good Friday: NO Change