

The Mount Joy Township Times



A Message From The Township Manager

Greetings from The Mount Joy Township Times as we happily welcome Spring/Summer of 2025! As you glance through the newsletter, we hope that you find information that is both interesting and helpful. There is information regarding upcoming road projects, waste disposal as well as pavilion rentals and field reservations. The upcoming season is uniquely special here as many will be setting up their gardens with their selected favorite fruits and vegetables. For those who prefer to visit local farm stands and farmers' markets, you can expect an amazing bounty of fresh produce. Spring is my favorite of all seasons, because as the green shoots of grass emerge and the trees begin to bud, everything seems possible.

As local schools recess for the summer months, please keep a watchful eye for heavier traffic patterns and for children, (and adults) who have brushed the winter cobwebs from their bikes and are back on the roads.

If you have any questions that the Township staff can help with, never hesitate to reach out to us.

On behalf of the Township staff, have a wonderful season!

Kim Kaufman, Manager



Mount Joy Township Holidays

Memorial Day, May 26: Closed

Independence Day, July 4: Closed

Labor Day, September 1: Closed



Are You Interested In Reserving A Pavilion?

- The cost to rent a pavilion is \$20.00 a day for residents of Mount Joy Township and \$30.00 a day for non residents.
- If you are reserving a pavilion you would have it available for use all day from dawn until dusk.
- If you are reserving a pavilion please remember to take your trash with you when you leave.
- If you are interested in reserving a pavilion at one of the 3 parks located in Mount Joy Township please call 717-367-8917.
- For more information regarding our parks please visit our website at www.mtjoytwp.org and click on the tab parks & recreation.



2025 ROAD PROJECTS

- Base repair continues throughout Mount Joy Township including -
 - Creek Road
 - Ridge Road
 - Sheaffer Road
 - Schwanger Road
 - Cold Spring Road
 - Ridge Run Road
 - Homestead Road
 - Quarry Road
- Final paving of the widened segments of Cold Spring and Creek Roads.
- Road widening on Aberdeen Road will take place between June & August.



If you are interested in reserving the ball fields you can contact Gears at 717-367-0355.

Mount Joy Township Boards

7:00 PM

Mount Joy Township Meeting Room

Board of Supervisors 3rd Monday

Kevin M. Baker—Chairperson
Debra E. Dupler—Vice Chairman
Delmar J. Oberholtzer
Lisa S. Heilner
David W. Sweigart III

Zoning Hearing Board

1st Wednesday 6:00 PM

Gregory R. Hitz, Sr.—Chairman
James E. Hershey—Vice Chairman
Robert F. Newton, Jr.—Secretary
Roni Clark—Alternate

Planning Commission 4th Monday

Delmar J. Oberholtzer—Chairman
H. William Weik, Jr.—Vice Chairman
Rodney Boll —Secretary
Kevin M. Baker
Arlen Mummau
Gerald G. Cole
Michael G. McKinne

Park & Recreation 2nd Tuesday

Karen Boyer—Chairperson
John L. Felix, Jr.—Vice Chairman
Adam Reed - Secretary
Don Bush
William Duncan

Police Commission 4th Tuesday

717-367-8481
Doug Hottenstein— Chairman
Kevin Baker—Vice Chairperson
Mark Mayberry—Chief of Police

Elizabethtown Area Water Authority

2nd Monday 6:30 PM

EAWA Building
717-367-7448

Elizabethtown Regional Sewer Authority

2nd Tuesday 6:30 PM

ERSA Building
717-367-5947

White Goods & Tire Pickup

September 15, 16, 17, 2025

* White Goods and Tires will now be picked up on your scheduled trash day. Put the items out the evening before your scheduled trash pickup day .*

Tire Tag: \$3.00

White Goods Tag: \$12.00

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

Including, but not limited
to, appliances, treadmills ,
large metal items

No Commercial Tires

Questions? Call us or email cristy@mtjoytpw.org.

Tags must be purchased by Thursday, September 11, 2025.

Tags can be purchased by Cash or Check.

Already have a tag? Call 717-367-8917 to be placed on the list.

2025 Woody Yard Waste Pickups

April 7, 8, 9 * 21, 22, 23

May 5, 6, 7 * 19, 20, 21

June 2, 3, 4 * 16, 17, 18 * 30

July 1, 2 * 14, 15, 16 * 28, 29, 30

August 11, 12, 13 * 25, 26, 27

September 8, 9, 10 * 22, 23, 24

October 6, 7, 8 * 20, 21, 22



WYW is picked up on your trash day.

Kraft bags are available free of charge at the Township building.

Examples of Woody Yard Waste — Leaves, Any Weeds (Without Dirt), Ornamental Grass, Pine Needles, Hay, Garden Waste, Green Plants, Shrubs, Sticks/Branches-No longer than 4 Feet, Ground up Stump Shavings.

AS A REMINDER GRASS CLIPPINGS ARE NOT YARD WASTE



There is a cardboard dumpster located at the Mount Joy Township office for Mount Joy Township residents only. No commercial use. **Cardboard must be FLATTENED.** Please do not put trash, appliances, plastic or packing material inside or outside of the dumpster.



Remember to
contact Mount Joy
Township before
starting a project to
see if a permit is required.



**Cash or
Check**

only is
accepted at

the office when you
are paying your trash
bill/rental bill,
purchasing service
tags or paying for
permits.

Trash billed: May 30th

Payment due: June 30th

Payments not submitted online, or in our office or
drop box before July 1st will be considered late.



National Night Out

National Night Out will be held on,
August 5th, 2025 from 6pm to 9pm.

**The event will be held at the
Mount Joy Township Municipal Complex,
8855 Elizabethtown Road.**

Please come and meet local First Responders
and other Community Partners.



Promotion to Sergeant

In January 2025, Officer Seth Arnold and Officer Aaron McCoy were promoted to the rank of Sergeant. Sergeant Arnold joined the Northwest Regional Police Department in 2015. Sergeant McCoy joined the Northwest Regional Police Department in 2019.

Firearms Safe Storage and Suicide Prevention

The Northwest Regional Police Department has partnered with Lancaster General Health Penn Medicine in a Firearms Safe Storage and Suicide Prevention program. Gun Safety Locks are available at the Northwest Regional Police Department during general business hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Unwanted Prescription Medication

If you have unwanted prescription medication you can properly dispose of it in the medication drop box located in the lobby of the Northwest Regional Police Department.

MESA: No Annual Fee Increase for 2025

"MESA is committed to providing the highest level of ambulance services to our participating municipalities in the most fiscally responsible manner, all with the goal of ensuring EMS is available 24/7 on a sustainable basis," said MESA Board Chair Debra Dupler. "We are pleased to maintain that commitment and exceptional service level with no increase to annual fees for 2025."



Stay Steady: Preventing Falls

Falls are a serious concern, especially for older individuals. Falls can lead to broken bones (especially hips), head injuries and even death. Falls can also lead to a decline in mobility and a greater need for assistance.

Here are practical tips to help you stay steady on your feet!

Strength Training – Regular exercise, especially strength training, improves balance and stability. Consider Tai Chi, yoga or resistance band exercises.

Home Safety Checks – Remove tripping hazards such as clutter, loose rugs and uneven surfaces. Install grab bars in bathrooms and near stairs for extra support.

Improve Lighting – Use brighter bulbs, nightlights and motion-activated lights.

Vision and Hearing Checks – Schedule routine eye and hearing exams, which are critical to identify issues that can impact your ability to navigate your environment safely.

Medication Review – Discuss potential side effects of medications with your doctor. Some medications can cause dizziness or drowsiness which can result in a fall.

Join the MESA Team

MESA is a great place to work! The organization is actively seeking full-time paramedics and part-time EMTs to join its welcoming and family-like environment. MESA offers competitive pay, benefits and time off.

<p>70 S. Poplar St, Elizabethtown, PA (717) 367-0355</p> <p>Programs & Services Available</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreation • Child Care • Senior Center <p>Website Instagram Facebook</p>	<p>Camp Ladybug 2025 Mon - Fri, June 16 - July 25 9 AM - 12 Noon 6-week Special Needs Camp Theme: Under the Big Top!</p>	<p>Summer Playground Mon - Fri, June 16 - Aug 8 9 AM - 12 Noon 8-week Summer Program</p>
	<p>Senior Center (717) 367-7984 SeniorCenter@getintogears.org Hours: Weekdays 8:30 AM - 4 PM Craft Club: Join us every 3rd Wednesday of every month at 1:30 PM</p>	<p>Kids Center NOW HIRING! (717) 367-0119 Summer Camp Child Care EH Elm. 6:30 AM - 6 PM GEARS Kids Center is looking for enthusiastic individuals to work with our elementary aged children this summer! Send resumes to wendymusser@getintogears.org</p>
	<p>Spring Golf Tournament Fri April 25 @ 1 PM Fall Golf Tournament Fri October 3 @ 8 AM Dauphin Highlands Golf Course</p>	<p>Stravaganza Sat April 12, 10 AM E-town Community Park 1 Ken Ln. Etown</p>

Elizabethtown Public Library

10 South Market Street
Elizabethtown, PA
717-367-7467

information@etownpubliclibrary.org



Milanof-Schock Library

1184 Anderson Ferry Road
Mount Joy, PA 17552
717-653-1510

www.mslibrary.org



Mount Joy Township
8853 Elizabethtown Road
Elizabethtown, PA 17022



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NEED A TAG?

Refuse Containers: (YELLOW TAG) For more than three (3) 32-gallon bags or containers weighing up to 30 lbs. each in any one week. You will need an extra bag tag.

Oversized Refuse Items: (RED TAG) No more than 2-oversized refuse items are allowed each week. Includes: a piece of furniture, mattress (any size) + box spring (any size, considered a set and requires only one tag) microwaves, toilets (put out in two pieces; if broken – show broken area toward street), push mowers (emptied of all liquids), charcoal grills, gas grills (NO tanks), carpet / padding rolled / tied no longer than 4 feet, and refuse containers weighing more than 30 lbs.

Large Appliances: (WHITE TAG) Two (2) special collections per year, once in March and once in September. Write description of large appliance on the order form. Include: washers, dryers, dishwashers, refrigerators, freezers, stoves, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, furnace, treadmills, and any other oversized items made of metal.

Tires: (BLUE TAG) Two (2) special collections per year, once in March and September. May be on or off the rim. No commercial size truck tires! Limit of 10 tires per household per pickup.

Woody Yard Waste: (WYW) Fifteen (15) special collections per year, April through October. **WYW** includes: shrubs, garden residue, twigs, leaves, branches & tree limbs. It may be "bundled" in lengths no longer than 4ft. or bagged in Kraft bags. Pick up 30-gallon Kraft bags at the Township office. No tags required and the bags are free. **GRASS CLIPPINGS will NOT be accepted.**

Fall Leaf Pick Up Only: Four (4) special collections per year. Pick up 30-gallon Kraft bags at the Township office. Place at curb the night before the collection dates. No sticks or branches please. No tag is required, and the bags are free.

PAPER SHREDDING EVENT

The annual paper shredding event will be held in the East Donegal Township parking lot on **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th** from 8 AM—12 PM. Paper shredding of up to four banker's boxes or bags is free with your donation of non-perishable items to the local food bank.

* **Batteries and Cellphones can no longer be dropped off at the Mount Joy Township office.**

Alkaline batteries can be placed beside your trash can in a battery bag. Rechargeable batteries **cannot** be put out with the trash. They can be taken to LCSWMA free of charge. *

Recycling right doesn't have to be hard.

JUST FOCUS ON THE **BIG 4!** PLACE ONLY THESE ITEMS IN YOUR BIN.

1	2	3	4
CORRUGATED CARDBOARD <i>Flattened</i>	PLASTIC BOTTLES & JUGS WITH NECKS	METAL FOOD & BEVERAGE CANS	GLASS JARS & BOTTLES
	<i>Emptied, Rinsed, & Lids Removed</i>		



HAZARDOUS WASTE CAUSES TRUCK FIRES

NEVER PLACE THE BELOW ITEMS IN YOUR CURBSIDE TRASH & RECYCLING.

NO POOL CHEMICALS

Pool chemicals are extremely combustible which is why they cannot be disposed of in your curbside trash and recycling bins. To dispose of them, check with the store you bought them from to see if they have any resources for disposal. You could also donate them to a local pool or check with your local solid waste authority to see if they accept them.

NO RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES

Rechargeable batteries can easily start fires when combined with the right materials. Never place these in your curbside collection bins. Several retailers such as Lowe's, Home Depot, and Target offer drop-off programs. You can also check with your local solid waste authority to see if they accept them.

NO LIVE AMMUNITION

Live ammunition should never go in your curbside trash and recycling. Check with local law enforcement, indoor gun ranges, or your local solid waste authority to see if they accept live ammunition.

NO PROPANE TANKS

Propane tanks are extremely flammable and should never be disposed of in your curbside trash and recycling bins. Contact your local solid waste authority to see if they accept them or ask the vendor you bought it from if they will take them back.

VISIT PENNWASTE.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION.

