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Trash & Recycling Fees to Increase

veryone is feeling the pinch of increased fuel costs. It affects not only individuals but companies as well. As fuel costs escalate, so does the cost of every consumer product, from eggs and milk to appliances and automobiles. All of these products are delivered in vehicles using gasoline or diesel.

Trash hauling companies are greatly affected. Higher fuel costs have also resulted in a price increase in the new refuse and recycling contract that Lancaster Township entered into with Lebanon Farms Disposal, Inc. (LFD). As the current three-year contract neared its end on September 30, 2005, the Township advertised Requests for Proposals in an effort to obtain the best price on a new contract. Three companies submitted bids for the contract. The bid from LFD was the lowest. Still, residents' trash/recycle rates must be increased as of October 1, 2005 because of the new higher contract price. The new rate is \$165 per year per household. Since residents are billed every six months, the semiannual bill will be in the amount of \$82.50. A senior discount of 10% is still available to those 60 years of age or older (proof of age required). With the senior discount, the fee is \$148.50 per year or \$74.25 for six months.

Even with the fee increase, Lancaster Township still has one of the lowest fees in the county. The Township will continue to provide biobags to residents free of charge.

Sunday, September 25, 2005, 12:00 to 4:00PM

COMMUNITY DAY WILL BE FAMILY FUNTOR ALL

he Seventh Annual Lancaster Township Community Day will be held on Sunday, September 25, from 12:00 Noon to 4:00PM at the Maple Grove Park and Community Building, 1420 Columbia Avenue. As always, it will be an afternoon of good old-fashioned family fun activities and displays to be enjoyed by all ages. All

Township residents are invited to enjoy the many free activities.

- Lancaster Township Fire Department and Lafayette Fire Company: Ride 70 feet into the air on a ladder truck, take aim with the water pump truck, go for a fire engine ride, and send the kids through the smoke trailer for safety training.
- Police Department: Sit in a police cruiser to check out its equipment, and look over the police motorcycle and patrol bike.
- "Kisses" the Clown: She will entertain and make balloon animals.
- LEMSA: Take a look inside Lancaster Emergency Medical



IT'S ALWAYS A GOOD TIME FOR ALL AGES AT COMMUNITY DAY.

- Services Association's state-of-the-art medical rescue vehicle with its life-saving equipment.
- Lancaster Township Historical Commission: Have fun with some old-time games, as well as displays of old postcards and antique cars (see page 6).
- Lancaster County Parks and Recreation Commission/Hayride: One of the most popular events at Community Day—a guided hayride through a natural scenic area and a look at the Township's road equipment.
- Keynote Address: This great group of entertainers will again serenade everyone.
- J.P. Watt, Magician: His special brand of humor and magic will amuse all ages.
- Dream Ride Project/Safe Bicycling: Children will learn safe bicycling habits on a supervised safety course (bikes and helmets provided).
- Food and Drink: The LRC Happy Hearts Club will offer for sale a variety of food and beverages.
- Fishing Lessons: Throw a fishing line into the Little Conestoga Creek for a catch-and-release demonstration.

Dates to Remember:

OCTOBER 3 - COMMUNITY GET-TOGETHER

OCTOBER 31 – TRICK OR TREAT NIGHT, 6-8PM

NOVEMBER 8 - ELECTION DAY
- GO TO THE POLLS AND TAKE
A NEIGHBOR; EVERY VOTE IS
IMPORTANT!

▶ Office Closings:

NOVEMBER 24 & 25 - THANKSGIVING
DECEMBER 23 & 26 - CHRISTMAS
JANUARY 2 - NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

Did You Know?

RRTA bus routes and schedules are available in the Township office.



Lancaster County Library

Hours are as follows:

MONDAY, TUESDAY - 10:00AM TO 8:00PM

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY

- 10:00AM TO 5:00PM

SATURDAY = 10:00AM TO 5:00PM,

DUKE STREET ONLY

SUNDAY - CLOSED

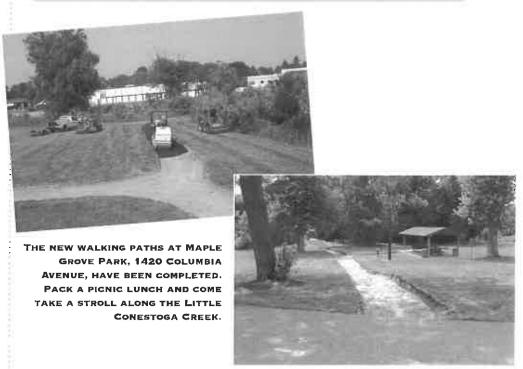
Call 394-2651 for programs and other information.

Maple Grove Community Building is Available

o you have a special event coming up—a birthday or wedding? Do you need a place to hold your next business meeting? Why not rent the Maple Grove Community Building?

The modern building can accommodate up to 150 people and is conveniently located at 1420 Columbia Avenue. A wall of sliding glass doors that overlooks a grassy park and the Little Conestoga Creek brightens the large meeting space. There is a restaurant-quality kitchen and large restrooms.

Call 291-1213 for availability, reservations, and information.





Large Appliance and **Tire Collection**

LARGE APPLIANCE AND TIRE PICKUP WILL BE HELD THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 5-8, 2005 ON YOUR REGULAR COLLECTION DAY: DECEMBER 5 (MONDAY), DECEMBER 6 (TUESDAY), DECEMBER 7 (WEDNESDAY), OR DECEMBER 8 (THURSDAY). THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE MUST BE NOTIFIED OF ANY ITEMS TO BE COLLECTED. A \$12 BLUE TAG MUST BE PURCHASED AND ATTACHED TO EACH APPLIANCE, A \$1.25 PURPLE TAG MUST BE PURCHASED AND ATTACHED TO EACH TIRE (NO RIMS).

IF YOU ALREADY HAVE TAGS, PLEASE NOTIFY THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE OF THE ITEM(S) TO BE COLLECTED. WE PROVIDE A LIST TO THE HAULER WITH ADDRESSES AND ITEMS TO BE COLLECTED. A SEPARATE TRUCK WILL COLLECT THESE ITEMS AND MAY ARRIVE AT A DIFFERENT TIME THAN THE TRASH TRUCK. PLEASE BE SURE TO PLACE ALL ITEMS AT CURBSIDE THE EVENING PRIOR TO COLLECTION. THE HAULERS WILL NOT COLLECT ITEMS THAT ARE NOT AT CURBSIDE.



CONSERVE WATER!

he average American uses 60 gallons of water in the house every day! Do you know how much water you are using? Here are a few statistics:

♦ Kitchen faucet: 3–5 gallons a minute

Shower: 5-10 gallons a minute

Tub bath: 50 gallons, if full

♦ Toilet flushing: 5-7 gallons

ODishwasher: 15-25 gallons

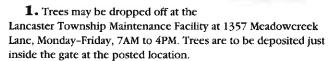
Washing machine: 35 gallons

Why save water? Because clean drinking water is a vanishing resource. By consciously cutting down on water use, one can also save money on the water/sewer bill. As an added bonus, energy bills decrease as the amount of hot water used decreases.

Repair all leaking faucets and pipes. Don't let water run when preparing meals. Take more showers than baths and make them shorter showers. When purchasing water-using appliances, look for water-saving models.

Change in Christmas Tree Disposal

he Township will no longer provide collection of Christmas trees. There are, however, several other convenient ways to dispose of them.



- 2. Trees may be included with your regular trash in lieu of a trash container. If the tree exceeds the 3-container limit, a yellow extra service trash tag is required (available at Township office).
- 3. Trees may be dropped off at Lancaster County Park behind the main offices at 1050 Rockford Road, December 26-January 20. They request a \$1 per tree donation. The trees are shredded for mulch, which is available free beginning January 1. Bring your own shovel and bags.

2005 Holiday Refuse Collection Schedule

Thanksgiving Day, November 24 — Only the Thursday collection is affected and moved to Friday Week after Christmas Day, December 25 — No changes Week after New Year's Day, January 1 — No changes

Remember, the limit is three (3) bags or containers (32-gallon size, weighing less than 30 pounds each) per week, including holidays. Amounts over the three-bag/container limit must have a yellow extra service tag attached to each container. Plan ahead for extra trash by purchasing yellow extra service tags (\$6.25/5 tags) at the Township office. Tags can also be purchased by mail by sending a check in an amount to cover the order.

Please put out trash on the night before collection day and remove the empty containers as soon as possible after collection.

Yard Waste/Biobags

COLLECTION OF YARD WASTE (NOT GRASS CLIPPINGS) IN BIOBAGS WILL END THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 3. RESIDENTS MAY CONTINUE TO DROP OFF THE MATERIAL AT THE TOWNSHIP MAINTENANCE FACILITY, 1357 MEADOWCREEK LANE, BETWEEN 3:00PM to 6:00PM (2:00 TO 5:00PM AFTER DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS), MONDAY TO THURSDAY, THROUGH NOVEMBER 23. BE SURE TO HAVE ID SHOWING YOUR ADDRESS.

AFTER OCTOBER 6, YARD WASTE IS TO BE COMBINED WITH REGULAR TRASH AND BECOMES PART OF THE 3-CONTAINER LIMIT. REMEMBER, BRUSH AND STICKS (MAXIMUM 2-INCH DIAMETER) MUST BE TIED IN BUNDLES AND WEIGH NO MORE THAN 30 POUNDS.

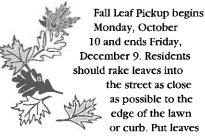
New Use for Orange **Battery Bags:**

ALONG WILL REGULAR HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES, CELL PHONES MAY NOW BE PLACED IN BATTERY BAGS FOR PROPER DISPOSAL, WHEN THE BATTERY BAG IS FULL, PLACE IT NEXT TO THE TRASH CAN OR TRASH BAG (NOT IN IT). TRASH HAULERS WILL DROP THEM AT THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY. BATTERY BAGS ARE AVAILABLE FOR FREE AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE.



DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Public Works: Ready for Leaves and Snow



out the day before a scheduled pickup. Because weather cannot be scheduled. rain or snow may prevent collection on the designated day. Please be patient; the Public Works crew will make its rounds as soon as possible.

It is important to eliminate any woody material, branches, and grass from the leaves. This material clogs the machinery and slows down the process.

2005 Leaf Collection Schedule

- Monday: All streets between Columbia Avenue and Marietta Avenue
- Tuesday: Hamilton Park area follows the posted street-cleaning schedule including the 400-500 blocks of Atkins Avenue, Spencer and South President Avenues, and Davis Drive; East End follows the Tuesday afternoon street-cleaning schedule and includes City Mill, Conestoga Woods area, and Conestoga Boulevard.
- Wednesday: Hamilton Park area follows morning street cleaning route and includes School House Road; East End follows afternoon street cleaning route.
- Thursday: All streets on the north side of Marietta Avenue to the south side of Newton Road
- Friday: West side of Abbeyville Road, Bausman area, Wedgewood area, Windolph Landing, Bentley Lane area, Honeysuckle Lane, and Millrace Drive

NOTE: Weekly pickup is not a guarantee. Weather conditions, leaf volumes, and other conditions beyond the Township's control will influence leaf pickup.

Woody Material Drop-Off is a very popular program and will continue through November 23. Woody materials from tree and shrub trimmings can be taken to our maintenance facility at 1357 Meadowcreek Lane between the hours of 3:00PM and 6:00PM (2:00 to 5:00PM after daylight savings ends), Monday through

Thursday. This effort is a major part of the Township's recycling program. The facility will reopen in April 2006.

Snow Plowing

Plowing begins when there is an accumulation of three inches on the roadways. Main roadways are plowed first, followed by the secondary roads. All roads receive two initial passes by the plow to

allow for safe passage of emergency vehicles. Do not shovel snow from your driveway entrance after the first pass. After opening all roads for emergency vehicles, the

plow will return to widen roads (after snowfall stops). If you shovel before this second step, the driveway may have to be shoveled again.

It can be difficult for the snowplow operator to determine where a yard begins and the paved surface ends. Because of this, it is recommended that residents install stakes or flags at the edge of the property. Stakes may be installed as of November 1 and must be removed by April 1.

Lancaster Township Fire Department

The Lancaster Township Fire Department (LTFD) will hold its annual Chicken BBO Fundraiser on Saturday, September 17, 2005, from 11:00AM to 5:00PM at the South Station, 125 Fairview Avenue in Bausman (just off Millersville Pike). Dinners are \$7. They include half a chicken, baked potato, applesauce, cole slaw, roll with butter, and a beverage. A half chicken with no extras is \$4. Call 940-9460 for advance tickets or arrive early and take home several for dinner. Have a great meal knowing your dollars

School District of Lancaster

here will be early dismissals for all schools this year:

Elementary Schools - 2PM every Wednesday

Middle Schools - 12:45PM every 1st and 3rd Wednesday

High School Campus - 1PM every Wednesday

Advancing Learning in Lancaster



TOGETHER WE CAN

2004-05 Student Calendar:

First day of classes August 31 No classes September 5 No classes No classes for ELEMENTARY ONLY October 27-28 No classes for MIDDLE SCHOOL November 11 November 16 No classes November 24,25,28 No classes December 23-30 No classes January 2 No classes No classes for ELEMENTARY ONLY January 16 & 23 No classes for MIDDLE SCHOOL February 3

February 8 No classes February 20

Call 291-6148 with any questions.

SDL Board Meetings, 7PM in J.P. McCaskey High School Concert Hall (3rd Tuesday of

each month): January 17 November 15 August 16 February 21 December 6

September 20 December 20 October 18

are supporting a worthwhile cause.

If more information on the LTFD is desired, go to their website at www.ltfd.org ■

Lafayette Fire Company

The 2005 Lafayette Fire Company Fund Drive information was recently mailed to Township residents on the eastern side. The annual fund drive is a major source of income and extremely important to the all-volunteer fire company. Without generous donations from residents, needed equipment could not be purchased and operational expenses would not be met.

A ladder truck replacement committee has recently formed to develop specifications for replacement of Lafayette's aging aerial truck. Although this apparatus has served the community faithfully for 20 years, its compartment space has become inadequate. Because of its age, maintenance bills are quickly escalating. Additionally, the open cab riding seats continue to be a safety concern. An enclosed cab is needed to ensure firefighter protection. Lafayette is planning and positioning itself, with your help, to replace the ladder truck by the beginning of 2007.

Fundraising takes a huge effort on the part of the Lafayette volunteers and solid community support from the citizens who are served. Lafayette thanks all residents in advance for their generous support.

The Lafayette Fire Company Fall Chicken Barbecue is Saturday Sept. 24, 11:00 AM at the fire station, 1836 Lincoln Highway East. Dinners are \$6. They include chicken, baked potato, pepper cabbage, applesauce, roll, and drink. Halves are \$4.50 for chicken only. What a delicious way to support the Lafayette Fire Company!

Don't forget to check out the fire company website at www.lafayettefire. com to keep abreast of what's happenings on the East Side.

Planning & Zoning: Updates in the Subdivision and Land Development Department

Have you traveled Second Lock Road lately? Are you wondering what is happening? It's the Hawthorne Ridge Development, which is in full swing.

The Board of Supervisors approved the project this past summer. It includes 62 single-family houses, 40 semi-detached

Lancaster Recreation Commission Announces Fall Line-up

ancaster Township is a partner with the LRC and makes an annual contribution to its operations. Township residents benefit from the partnership by way of reduced rates for individual memberships and classes. There are many classes, programs, and events available including high-quality, state licensed after-school and day care programs for children.

The LRC Fall schedule of classes is listed below. There is something for everyone regardless of age or interest. Call 392-2115 or log on to www.LancasterRec.org for more information, rain dates, or cancellations.

Youth Classes

Swimming: Ages 0-14, T or Th \$33 (8 weeks) Chess Club: All ages, W \$5 yearly Judo: 8 years and up, M, T, Th, Sat \$25 monthly Dance-Ballet, Tap, Jazz: Ages 3 & up, \$21/class/month



Volleyball: Ages 9-14, F \$30 (8 weeks)
Wrestling: Ages 7-12 T, Th, \$35 (16 weeks)
Little Hoopers Basketball: Grades 1-2 T, W, \$50 (8 weeks)
Boys and Girls Basketball: Grades 3-6, \$50 (14 weeks)
Girls' Basketball Skills Clinic: Grades 3-6, \$35 (9 weeks)

Boys' Teen Clinic: Grades 7-9, \$50 (11 weeks)
Boys and Girls Teen Basketball Leagues: \$50 beginning in January

Adult Sports

Women's Basketball: 16 and over, M nights, \$400/team or \$50/individual

First EVER over 30 Women's Basketball: Th nights, \$400/team or \$50/individual

Special Events

Countdown Teen Idol: Registration for auditions due October 7
Battle of the Bands: Registration due November 11
Mayor's Tree Lighting and Tuba Christmas: December 2, 6:30-7:15PM
Isaac's Santa Breakfast: December 11 at 9PM, pre-registration required
Countdown Lancaster 2006: Lancaster County's New Year's Eve Celebration in
Downtown Lancaster. Buy your button early and save!

Call to learn more about the following Adult Classes and Trips: Yoga, Aerobitone, Tai Chi, Aerobics, Self-defense, and Ballroom Dancing. Don't forget the Chess Club and the Happy Hearts Club for people aged 55 and older. There are also some trips being planned including Allenbury Playhouse for a lunch buffet and to see "Growing up Kringle," and the Lancaster County Christmas Lights Tour.

houses, 170 townhouses, and 144 apartments. The plan utilizes the open-space concept with walking trails, passive recreation activities, and picnic areas. The old farmhouse will remain and eventually be restored. The large barn on the property will remain and be renovated into

a community center for residents to enjoy. There is also a Commercial/Office and Professional phase that will be developed in the near future.

Visit our website at www.twp. lancaster.pa.us for other valuable information.

Lancaster Township Historical Commission

Celebrating the Good Ole Days at Community Day

emember the Good Ole Days? Come celebrate them on Sunday, September 25, from 12 Noon to 4:00PM at Maple Grove Park, 1420 Columbia Avenue. Spend the afternoon enjoying the best of Lancaster Township—then and now—with many community-help organizations, including the Historical Commission.

The Lancaster Township Historical Commission wants to preserve the good memories as well as significant buildings and lovely environment that make our Township a great place to live. On Community Day, there will be a potpourri of good old memories from the comprehensive display of postcards to the shine of vintage cars, the challenge of traditional pastimes like checkers and sack races, an APBA baseball tournament, and the opportunity to reminisce and ask questions about the past.

The Lancaster County (PA) Post Card Club will provide a look at our past with a large retrospective display of people, places, and happenings. These remarkable postcards can stimulate memories and even some questions. Jack Loose, resident historian, will be nearby at the "Ask Jack" chair to enhance memories with past information surrounding the events and activities of this area.

Expect to find a few costumed former residents strolling down Lancaster Township's memory lane as well. James Buchanan, or his niece, Harriet Lane, and notable sculptor, Blanche Nevin, plan to be there. Perhaps one would prefer a "drive" down memory lane. The Vagabonds and other car enthusiasts will be displaying antique cars on the lawn.

Traditional games like croquet, jump rope, jacks, and checkers will be available for competition and a friendly tug-of-war between fire companies is also planned. Don't forget to take part in one of the sack races!

At 2:00PM, the Historical Commission will present Certificates of Recognition to several Township homeowners who exemplify the spirit of historic preservation by their level of home maintenance and loving attention to their properties, which enhances community character.

There is a lot to see, do, and enjoy on Community Day! Be sure to mark September 25 on the calendar now. Come celebrate the past and present of our special Lancaster Township community.



Township Home Nominated for National Historic Register

historic Lancaster Township house has been nominated for inclusion in the National Historic Register. Now owned by Margaret and Gerald S. Lestz, the handsome house, built in 1806 by Jacob Miller, has been kept in excellent condition by its appreciative owners. An architectural gem, tradition says it was designed by the noted Pennsylvania architect, Stephen Hill, Hill also designed the Montgomery House in the first block of South Queen Street and the original Capitol Building in Harrisburg. Three Wellford fireplace mantels are of special interest. In a discussion of the work of Robert Wellford, architectural historian Mark Reinberger wrote, "The Jacob Miller house was among the elite of Lancaster ... " The mantelpieces "were distinctly sophisticated for Lancaster ... '

Adjacent to the Miller house and along the Conestoga River are the ruins of an old fulling mill used for processing textiles until 1836. At that time it was converted into a water-powered pumping station for Lancaster's first municipal water supply. Waterwheel-operated pumps delivered water from the river uphill to a reservoir on East King Street (now Reservoir Park). City Mill, as it was known, served until the 1880s as the Lancaster pumping station.

Jacob Miller was an enterprising promoter of local industry. He built a cotton mill downstream near the South Duke Street crossing. This large four-story stone spinning and weaving mill was built in 1812. Financial reverses following the War of 1812 forced the closing of the mill. It was used for other manufacturing purposes until it burned in the 1870s.

The Jacob Miller House, under the loving care of Gerald and Margaret Lestz, remains a significant part of Lancaster's local architectural history and has been preserved as a warm, lovely home. Mr. Lestz is a popular writer and publisher of works on local culture and the arts. Mrs. Lestz is a well-known artist in the region with a show at the Demuth Museum in Lancaster through October 2.

THIS EARLY NINETEENTH-CENTURY
HOUSE IN LANCASTER TOWNSHIP HAS
BEEN NOMINATED FOR THE NATIONAL
HISTORIC REGISTER.

Lancaster Township Police

NEW CONTRACT WITH CITY OF LANCASTER APPROVED

he Lancaster Township Board of Supervisors voted unanimously to extend the police services contract with the City of Lancaster for another year (2006) at a basic service fee of \$1,268,088. At the same time, the Board accepted a recommendation from the Public Safety Committee to eliminate the Township's dedicated sergeant position

on a one-year trial basis. It was emphasized that although the Township has had good experience with the three successive sergeants who have been assigned to the Township, it was felt that the officers are professional enough to continue doing a

thorough and conscientious job without the immediate oversight of a sergeant. Oversight of the officers will come from the City police station, as it was prior to having a dedicated sergeant at the Township.



Holiday Safety Tips

he holidays are not that far off.
That good old holiday spirit infects
most everyone and may hull you
into a false sense of security. Burglars,
muggers, and crooks love the holidays too,
but chiefly because it's a great opportunity
for crime. Some simple precautions can
make all the difference in your enjoyment
of the season.

Out of town:

- ✓ Install automatic timers on lights, TVs.
- ✓ Ask a neighbor to watch your home and park a car in the driveway from time to time.
- ✓ Have someone shovel the snow.
- ✓ Stop mail and newspaper deliveries.

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Out for the evening:

- ✓ Turn on lights, radio, and/or TV.
- Lock doors and windows (even if leaving for only a short errand).
- ✓ Keep gifts out of sight.



While shopping:

- ✓ Stay alert and aware of your surroundings.
- ✓ Park in a well-lit location, close the windows and lock the car, place valuables in the trunk.
- ✓ Deter pickpockets and pursesnatchers: don't overburden yourself with packages, keep purse close to your body and wallets in front trouser pocket.
- ✓ Teach children to go to a store clerk or security guard if separated.

Last, but not least, take time to enjoy family, friends, and neighbors. Don't let stress get the best of your holiday spirit!

Reminder: If you need police assistance be sure to call 664-1180, the Lancaster County-Wide Communications. All police dispatching is done by this agency. In the case of an emergency please call 911.

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COMMUNITY GET-TOGETHER: OCTOBER 3



WILLIAM E. GRISCOM, ED.D.

he Board of Supervisors continues with its tradition of meeting informally with residents. The next Community Get-Together will be held on Monday, October 3, 2005, 7:00PM at the Stevens College of Technology, 1100 East Orange Street (formerly Community Hospital). The meeting will be held in the auditorium, which can be entered via the Cottage Avenue entrance.

The Supervisors are very pleased to welcome Dr. William E. Griscom, President of Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology, who will speak on the school's renovations and plans for the former Community Hospital. After a break for refreshments, the floor will be open to residents for discussion with the Board of Supervisors on any topic. Don't miss this opportunity to meet Dr. Griscom and the Supervisors.