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New contract expands list of recyclable items

NOW WE CAN RECYCLE MORE



Lancaster Township is pleased to announce that it has extended its contract with Lebanon Farms Disposal, Inc. for one year. With this extension come more options for recycling.

Currently, the only recyclable items being collected are #1 and #2 plastics, aluminum and tin cans, glass jars and bottles, and newspapers.

Effective October 1, 2012, township residents may place many more items into the recycle bins. All of the following items may be co-mingled together—toss it all in!

Types of items that will be accepted:

- ✓ Aluminum food and drink containers
- ✓ Colored glass food and drink containers
- ✓ Tin/steel cans
- ✓ Plastic bottles, jugs, jars, #1 through #7 (narrow and screw-top containers)
- ✓ Newspapers, magazines, catalogs, phone books
- ✓ Corrugated cardboard (if it doesn't fit in the recycle bin, continue to take it to the cardboard dumpster located at the maintenance facility)
- ✓ Cereal/food and other paperboard boxes (plastic removed)

- ✓ Office paper and junk mail
 - ✓ Empty aerosol cans
- All containers must be empty, free of metal caps, and rinsed. All fiber material must be dry and free of food or other contaminating material.

Materials NOT accepted:

- ✗ Microwave trays
- ✗ Mirrors
- ✗ Window or auto glass

- ✗ Light bulbs
- ✗ Ceramics/porcelain
- ✗ Unnumbered plastic (tubs, bowls, toys, etc.)
- ✗ Plastic bags
- ✗ Coat hangers
- ✗ Glass cookware/bakeware
- ✗ Household items (cooking pots, toasters, etc.)
- ✗ Tissues, paper towels, etc.

Recycling 'Covered Devices': IT'S THE LAW.

Pennsylvania has passed a law called the Covered Devices Recycling Act, which prohibits the disposal of covered devices as trash. What is a covered device? It is any desktop computer, monitor, keyboard, mouse, speakers, printer, television, and e-readers. The Act does not include cell phones, motor vehicle components, appliance components, handheld calculators, PDAs, MP3 players, or similar devices.

Effective January 24, 2013, residents and businesses may no longer place these items at curbside as trash. They must be recycled. Trash haulers are prohibited from collecting these items as municipal waste.

How does this benefit you? While you are required by law to recycle covered devices, the new rule prohibits manufacturers and retailers from charging customers a fee for accepting covered devices. There are a number of ways to recycle these items free of charge. You can take them to the Lancaster County Waste Management Authority's Household Hazardous Waste Facility (HHW), 1299 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster, PA. HHW will accept a maximum of 10 units per visit, per day, from Lancaster County residents. Visit www.lcswma.org to learn more or go to www.Earth911.com for additional locations. ■

► Dates to Remember

- OCTOBER 4: LAST DAY TO PICK UP YARD WASTE BAGS
- OCTOBER 8: FALL LEAF COLLECTION BEGINS
- OCTOBER 31: HALLOWEEN TRICK-OR-TREAT 6-8PM
- NOVEMBER 4: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS
- NOVEMBER 6: ELECTION DAY-VOTE!
- NOVEMBER 12: APPLIANCE/TIRE COLLECTION
- NOVEMBER 21: YARD WASTE FACILITY CLOSES
- DECEMBER 21: LEAF COLLECTION ENDS
- MARCH 10, 2013: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

► Office Closings

- 2012:
- NOVEMBER 22-23: THANKSGIVING
- DECEMBER 24-25: CHRISTMAS
- 2013:
- JANUARY 1: NEW YEAR'S DAY
- JANUARY 21: M.L. KING, JR. DAY
- FEBRUARY 18: PRESIDENT'S DAY
- MARCH 29: GOOD FRIDAY

► PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (PA DCNR) is sponsoring a Sustainable Bus Tour on Thursday, October 24, 7:30AM to 4:30PM. The tour begins at the Montgomery County Conservation District Office, 143 Level Road, Collegetown, PA. The bus tour will visit a variety of sites that incorporate green stormwater practices, native plantings, and more. For information contact Jessica Sprajcar, DCNR Bureau of Forestry, jsprajcar@pa.gov or call 717-798-2409. ■



Approved Since Last Newsletter

- Ordinance No. 2012-01: Rezoning west side of Millersville Road and east side of Barbara Street from Campus/Open Space to Composite Commercial District.
- Ordinance No. 2012-02: Adoption of 2009 International Property Maintenance Code.
- Ordinance No. 2012-03: Rescinding township Code Chapter 241 (swimming pools).
- Ordinance No. 2012-04: New Zoning Ordinance.
- Ordinance No. 2012-05: Intergovernmental agreement with Millersville Borough and Blackford Development, Ltd. for maintenance of a portion of Wabank Road.

All ordinances are available for public inspection during regular office hours. ■

**Lancaster County Clean Water Consortium/
Lancaster Inter-Municipal Committee**

The Water Resources Education Network, a project of several commissions, associations, and PA DEP, will hold educational seminars this fall about clean water. These free seminars will connect the dots between protecting our communities' drinking water, cleaning up streams, and saving the Chesapeake Bay. All seminars will be held from 9AM to noon at the Farm and Home Center, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, PA.

October 11, Clean Water 201: review progress being made on clean water projects in local municipalities and exchange plans and ideas. This seminar will promote a sharing of information.

November 8, Clean Water 301: information on how to start a Source Water Protection program in a municipality.

More information is available at www.lccwc.com or by calling 717-299-7254, extension 243. ■



Lancaster Township Office
 1240 Maple Avenue
 291-1213

Maintenance Facility
 1357 Meadowcreek Lane
 293-1733

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- Township Manager William M. Laudien
- Assistant Township Manager Thomas P. Daniels
- Public Works Superintendent Angel Saldana
- Finance Officer Diana Hess
- Receptionist Faith S. Kelsey
- Planning & Zoning Assistant Rebecca French
- Office Assistant/Recycling Coordinator Joanne Yost

IMPORTANT NOTES REGARDING TRASH AND RECYCLING



YARD WASTE COLLECTION ends the week of October 2. Yard waste bags will be available until Thursday, October 4. Once collection stops, residents must take their bio-bags to the maintenance facility, which closes November 21. After this date, yard waste should be included with regular trash in plastic bags.



LARGE APPLIANCE & TIRE COLLECTION is scheduled for the week of November 12 on your regular trash collection day. This includes washers, dryers, dishwashers, refrigerators, stoves, freezers, hot water heaters, air conditioners, furnaces, dehumidifiers, etc. A tag must be purchased and attached to each appliance or tire (blue appliance tag: \$12, purple tire tag: \$1.25). Tires may be on or off their rims, but no commercial truck tires will be accepted.



The township must be notified ahead of time of any item to be collected. If you already have a tag, please call 291-1213 to place the address and item(s) on the collection list.



TRASH/RECYCLING BILLS will be mailed October 1. Payments are due October 31. Senior residents, 60 years and older, can obtain a 10% discount by providing proof of age.



ALL ALARM SECURITY SYSTEMS (residential and business) must be registered with the township. Please call 291-1213 to verify that your system is registered. Alarm permits are mailed March 1. The annual fee of \$10 is due April 1.



ILLEGAL DUMPING of any regulated material is a punishable offense. Lancaster Township will enforce all regulations and impose penalties on violators.



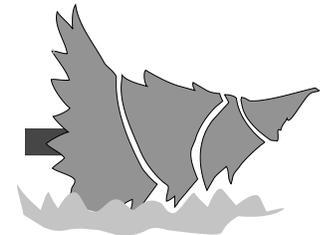
NEED A NEW RECYCLING BIN? They are available at the Lancaster Township office for \$8 each.

2012/2013 Holiday Refuse Collection

THANKSGIVING DAY—
THURSDAY COLLECTION
MOVED TO FRIDAY

CHRISTMAS DAY—
MONDAY, DECEMBER
24—NO CHANGE;
TUESDAY, DECEMBER
25 COLLECTION MOVED
TO WEDNESDAY,
WEDNESDAY TO
THURSDAY, AND
THURSDAY TO FRIDAY.

NEW YEAR'S DAY—
MONDAY, DECEMBER
31—NO CHANGE;
TUESDAY, JANUARY 1,
COLLECTION MOVED
TO WEDNESDAY,
WEDNESDAY TO
THURSDAY, AND
THURSDAY TO FRIDAY.



Take Christmas trees to the Maintenance Facility (1357 Meadowcreek Lane) and drop them off at the sign there. Curbside collection requires that a \$4 tag be attached to each tree. ■

Public Works Department

Woody waste drop-off

Yard/woody waste drop-off at 1357 Meadowcreek Lane will continue through Wednesday, November 21. Days and hours of operation are Monday–Thursday 3PM to 7PM until November 1. Beginning November 5, the hours are 2PM to 5PM. The drop-off facility is closed Fridays. Please have ID ready for the gate attendant who will inspect for contaminants and point out the proper place to unload. Please remember, lawn grass must be processed separately and may not be mixed with other woody material. A drop-off point has been established just for lawn grass.

The facility is open the first Saturday of each month, 9AM to noon, ending November 3.

Yard waste bags are available from the attendant, up to a maximum of 10 bags per visit and 20 bags per week, until October 4. This service is for township residents only. No contractors will be admitted because we are unable to accommodate the high volume of material they generate.

Leaf collection

Fall leaf collection begins October 8 and ends December 21, weather permitting. There is no set schedule for leaf collection. The road crew begins at one end of the township and continues until the entire municipality has been

covered; then they begin again. On streets with No Parking signs, the crew will try to collect on the no-parking days. Tickets will be issued to vehicles parked in violation of the signs.

Please do not include sticks with the leaves. Sticks jam the machinery, causing down time and costly repair bills.

Do not place grass clippings on the street for pick-up. Grass clogs the equipment and the road crew will leave it on the street.

The township will continue to pick up bagged leaves (plastic bags) on unsafe, high-traffic streets. Call 293-1733 when the bags of leaves are ready for pick-up and at curbside.

Snowstorm procedures

During a snowstorm, the plows will make an “emergency pass” up and down the streets to allow emergency vehicles a safer passage. When the snow stops falling, the snowplows will return to widen the streets for easier parking.

Please remove vehicles from the streets to allow snowplows to clear the roadways from edge to edge.

It can be difficult for the plow drivers to determine where the road ends and a yard begins. The township recommends placing reflective markers along the edge of your property to prevent damage.

Every effort is made by our operators to avoid or minimize property damage; however, the repair of mailboxes, lawns, trees or shrubbery in the right-of-way is the responsibility of the property owner.

No snow in the streets

State law, Section 3709.(a) prohibits the shoveling of snow onto a roadway. When clearing snow from sidewalks or driveways, be sure to pile it on your property, not in the street. You can be fined \$300 for such activity. ■

Planning & Zoning

New Zoning Ordinance

On August 20, 2012, the Lancaster Township Board of Supervisors approved the adoption of a new Zoning Ordinance.

The Zoning Ordinance is a tool to help the township regulate the use of land and structures in accordance with the county’s Regional Comprehensive Plan. It is designed to promote and protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

In an attempt to simplify a very complex document, we combined similar residential districts and consolidated four commercial districts into two. It clarifies many issues through added definitions and specificity, while removing irrelevant or antiquated language.

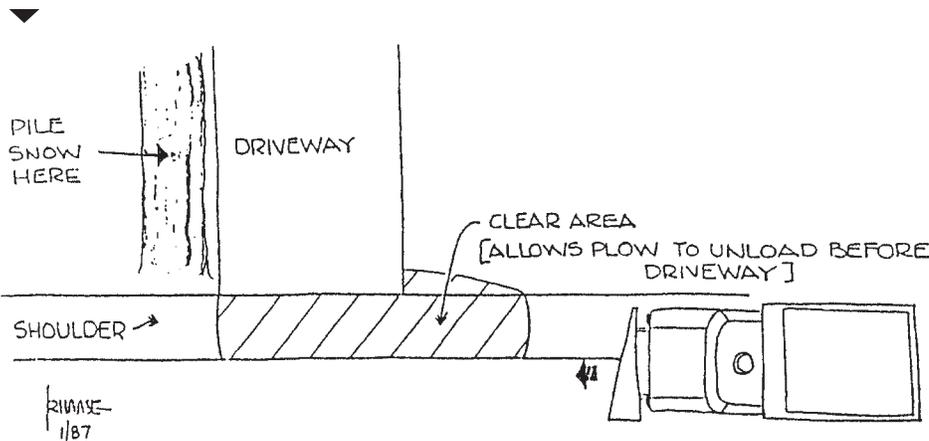
Technology and innovation require that we remain open to change while holding close to those rules and regulations that keep our township unique and vibrant. We are confident and hopeful that this updated zoning ordinance will do just that.

The document is the culmination of three years of hard work by the Lancaster Township Planning Commission, the Board of Supervisors, the Lancaster County Planning Commission, township staff, our engineering and legal partners, and residents. We remain grateful for all of their efforts on behalf of the township.

The Zoning Ordinance can be viewed at the township office during regular business hours, or on the township website www.twp.lancaster.pa.us under Planning & Zoning.

Continued

PILE SNOW IN YOUR DRIVEWAY, NOT IN THE STREET.



Planning & Zoning, cont.

Property numbers required

According to the 2009 International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC), all buildings shall have address numbers placed in a position plainly legible and visible from the street. The numbers must be a minimum of four (4) inches high and contrast with their background. Please check yours and replace them if necessary. If there are no house numbers, install them to avoid being in violation of section 304.3 of the IPMC.

Remember, always check with the office before any work begins on any project. Questions? Call township staff at 291-1213, Monday through Friday, 8:00AM to 4:00PM. ■

School District of Lancaster

No Classes:

- October 8
- November 6 & 21-23
- December 24-31
- January 1 & 21-22
- February 8 & 18
- March 28-29

2012-2013 SDL Board Meetings,
7:00PM at J.P. McCaskey High School

(or as advertised):

- October 16
- November 20
- December 18
- January 15
- February 19
- March 19

Call 291-6148 with any questions.

Advancing Learning in Lancaster



TOGETHER WE CAN

Lancaster Township Fire Department (LTFD)

SPACE HEATERS NEED SPACE

Heating equipment is a leading cause of home fire deaths. Almost half of home heating equipment fires are reported during the months December, January, and



February. Some simple steps can prevent most heating-related fires.

- Keep portable/space heaters at least three (3) feet away from anything that may burn. This includes drapes, furniture, or any other flammable material.
- Never keep heaters on when leaving home or going to sleep.
- Children and pets should always be kept away from heaters.
- Plug the heater directly into a wall receptacle. NEVER plug the heater into an extension cord.
- Place a heater on a level surface and out of walking areas where it might be knocked over. ■

Emergency Kit Checklist

When preparing for a possible emergency situation, it is best to think first about the basics of survival: **fresh water, food, clean air, and warmth.** Recommended items to include in a basic emergency supply kit:

- Water: one gallon per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- Food: at least a three-day supply of nonperishable food items and can opener
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- Flashlight and/or lanterns and extra batteries
- First-aid kit
- Dust mask, to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags, and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Local maps
- Cell phone with chargers



There are many additional items to consider adding to an emergency supply kit, such as medications, glasses, hand tools, pet food, blankets, paper and pencil, etc. Go to www.ready.gov for more ideas. ■

Fire safety tips for parents

1. Perform home fire drills with family on a regular basis.
2. Identify a meeting place in case family members are separated.
3. Post all emergency phone numbers in a convenient place.
4. Check smoke detectors and batteries regularly.

Lancaster Recreation Commission

525 FAIRVIEW AVENUE
LANCASTER, PA 17603
PHONE 392-2115

Here's a rundown of what's going on at or through the Lancaster Rec.

Before & After School Program at all School District of Lancaster Elementary Schools

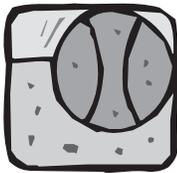
Safe Babysitter's Course for ages 11-16

Tiny Tumblers (5-8 years), Tuesdays
6-7PM



Jr. Gymnasts (9-14 years), Tuesdays
7-8PM

Tennis (6-15 years) at Buchanan Park



Zumbatomic (5-12 years): Zumba for kids

Swimming and Iddy Biddy Sports: year-round classes



Fall Family Fun Fest at Conestoga
Pines Barn: October 19, 6:00-8:00PM

Mom/Son Fall Ball: November 7, 6:00-8:30PM (5-13 years with mom, aunt, grandmother)

Family Cookie Decorating: December 1

Family Candy Cane Hunt: December 7, 7:00PM (2-14 years) at YWCA, 110 N. Lime St. Bring flashlights.

Many adult classes are offered: Zumba, bridge, bingo, tap or belly dance, volleyball and softball leagues, co-ed dodgeball and kickball, and basketball.

Visit www.LancasterRec.org or call 392-2115 for detailed information and to register. ■

LANCASTER PUBLIC LIBRARY
125 N. DUKE STREET, LANCASTER
717-394-2651 OR WWW.LANCASTER.LIB.PA.US

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 9:00AM TO 9:00PM
FRIDAY-SATURDAY: 9:00AM TO 5:30PM
SUNDAY: CLOSED

The best books you've probably never read



Learn more about great literature and have fun doing it! Instructors from Veritas Academy will lead you through some of history's most influential works on Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30PM.

September 18 **Plato:** *The Republic*

October 2 **Livy:** *The War with Hannibal*

October 16 **Smith:** *The Wealth of Nations*

Marx: *The Communist Manifesto*

October 30 **Dante:** *The Divine Comedy*

More great programs at the library

Will to Read Shakespeare Aloud: Second Wednesday of the month beginning September 12, 6:00-7:30PM. Lecture-style presentation followed by out-loud readings and movie versions of scenes.

Civil War Discussion Group: Second Wednesday of the month beginning October 10.

Herb Appeal: October 18, 6:00-7:30PM. Presentation by The Herb Guy from Central Market. \$3 fee.

Ongoing programs

Lapsit Storytime (birth to 2½): Wednesday, 10:30AM

Preschool Storytime: Thursday, 10:30AM

Tween Gaming: Tuesday, 4:00-5:00PM

Teen Gaming: Tuesday, 5:00-6:00PM

Teen Shakespeare Club: Second and fourth Thursdays, 4:00-5:30PM

Tween/Teen Knitting: Monday, 6:30PM

Book Discussions: Every other Thursday in the Windolph Room. No preregistration. Check library website for upcoming book selections.

History Book Club: First Wednesday of the month at 6:00PM in the Windolph Room. Check library website for upcoming book selections.

Free Computer Classes: Introduction to Computers, Basic Internet, Basic Word, Basic Excel, Introduction to PowerPoint, and more.

First Friday for Families: Every First Friday, 5:30-8PM. Each month features a new artist, fun family activities, free parking, and the Juliana Book Store is open!

For more information, visit www.lancaster.lib.pa.us/FirstFriday. ■

Manheim Township Police Department (MTPD)

WHAT TO DO AFTER A CRASH



With the upcoming fall and winter months, area drivers will experience more challenging road conditions. If you become involved in a car crash, would you know what to do?

If the crash does not involve injuries or there is no major damage to the vehicles, move vehicles from the roadway to a safe place nearby. Exchange your information with the other driver, including name, address, phone number, and insurance information. Make notes of the damage and what happened. Although you

driven away, CALL 911 and provide as much information as possible. Leave the vehicles in place and await the arrival of emergency responders. Police officers will require your driver's license, registration card, and insurance card. They will speak to the drivers involved as well as any witnesses so as to properly investigate what occurred and prepare a report. If a tow truck is needed, officers will work with you to determine what tow company should respond. Officers will ensure that you are provided with the information of the other driver.

Although vehicles are designed

Prevent theft from vehicles

- Lock the vehicle.
- Remove all items from view.
- Remove portable electronic equipment: GPS units, cell phones, iPads, CDs, etc.
- Don't make it easy for thieves!
- Remove everything from sight.



may contact the police department to respond, it is not required so long as there are no injuries and all vehicles can be driven away without further damage.

If the crash involves injuries or vehicle damage to the degree that all vehicles cannot safely be

to protect the occupants as much as possible, it is crucial that you remember to buckle up every time you get into the car. It is also important to be sure that your passengers are buckled up as well. Save a life by slowing down—please drive safely this winter season! ■

Reminder:

EMERGENCY 911
 Nonemergency: 664-1180
 Police Administration: 569-6401
 Anonymous Crime Tip Line: 569-2816

Lancaster Township Officials

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 KATHY WASONG, TREASURER

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THANK A VET

Starting in November, Bonnie Bowman, Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds, will launch the "Thank a Vet" discount program. It provides a photo ID free of charge to Lancaster County veterans who have their DD-214 honorable discharge papers filed in the Recorder of Deeds office, 150 North Queen Street.

Participating merchants agree to honor the card by providing special discounts on purchases or services. A poster or decal will identify merchants who proudly support veterans. Go to www.lancasterdeed.com for a listing of all participating businesses, email bbowman@co.lancaster.pa.us, or phone Bonnie at 717-299-8240. ■

LANCASTER TOWNSHIP CALENDAR						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT

**Board of Supervisors:
2nd Monday, 7:00 PM**

**Planning Commission
3rd Tuesday, 7:00 PM**

**Building Code Board of Appeals:
Meets as Needed**

**Zoning Hearing Board:
4th Tuesday, 7:00 PM**