



Susquehanna TOWNSHIP

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Stormwater Utility Fee Coming In 2020



Like water, federal mandates flow downhill and leave the municipalities at the bottom to handle the problem. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency enforces strict regulations on polluted stormwater, requiring the Township to show significant progress towards eliminating sediment from Paxton Creek and the Susquehanna River over the next five years. While the Township is partnering with our adjacent communities and PennDOT to implement stream restoration projects to meet these mandates, the cost is still significant.

In addition to the federal requirements, the Township is also dealing with an aging stormwater system. Like sewer pipes, problems with stormwater infrastructure are often unseen until something detrimental occurs. Currently, the cost of repairs to stormwater damage comes from the General Budget, competing with other traditional services provided by the Township such as police, public works, and recreation. In order to provide a dedicated source of funding, and to increase efficiencies in operation, Susquehanna Township is proposing to transition its stormwater program to the Susquehanna Township Authority (STA). Along with this transition, a stormwater management fee will be implemented to cover the cost of infrastructure repairs and federal mandates. The established fee will allow the STA to equitably distribute the costs of stormwater management services to properties within the community based upon impervious surface and the amount of stormwater runoff from each property. While the exact fee is still being determined, it is anticipated that approximately 80% of property owners will pay an average of \$10 or less per month. The fee will be billed through the STA. Once established, all revenue collected will be used solely for the operation, management, and improvement of STA's stormwater facilities and our local waterways. More information is available at www.susquehannatwp.com/stormwater.

Please go to page 12 for additional information about the goals and benefits of stormwater management.



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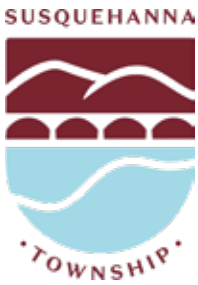
Progress Fitness

Invites you to join us during our
Fall Festival Open House
Sunday, October 27th - Saturday, November 2nd

- ❖ Community members can enjoy a **FREE WEEK** of our training sessions and group exercise classes
- ❖ Pre-registration for the free week of training is required. Please call 717-972-0322 to register.
- ❖ Sat. November 2nd will be a Craft/Vendor Show from 9:00 am - 12 noon. Get a jump on your holiday shopping!



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Susquehanna Township

Board Of Commissioners



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Welcome to the Fall/Winter issue of the Susquehanna Township Newsletter. We hope you will find it informative.

One of the biggest and costliest challenges any municipality faces is the need to comply with Federal and State water pollution regulations, while maintaining or replacing aging and failing stormwater infrastructure. In order to address our obligations in a way that doesn't unduly burden property owners is a plan to fairly tie fees needed to the amount of impervious area a property has. Please see the story on this developing plan that is essential for our township's environmental and fiscal viability.

Other features in this edition include our Police Department's "K9 for a Day" program and our summer Parks and Recreation program wrap up – in addition to tons of other information about township programs and services designed to serve you.

Wishing you an enjoyable fall and winter season!

Frank Lynch, Board of Commissioners President

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2019 Board of Commissioners Meeting Schedule

The Board of Commissioners meets every 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm. Workshop Sessions are on the 4th Thursday at 6:30 pm January through October.

A Second Monthly Meeting is scheduled for the 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm, when necessary.

All meetings are held in the Township Municipal Building,
1900 Linglestown Road.

Susquehanna Township Phone Numbers

EMERGENCY....911

NON-EMERGENCY

Fire Marshal	(717) 909-9255	Public Safety Director.....	(717) 909-9282
Susquehanna EMS		Police Station	(717) 652-8265
(Regarding Service).....	(717) 545-0842	Police Non-Emergency	(717) 558-6900

Township Municipal Numbers

Township Administration Office	(717) 545-4751
Manager/Executive Assistant	(717) 909-9222
Building Codes Official.....	(717) 909-9226
Code Enforcement/Property Maintenance	(717) 909-9257
Community & Economic Development Director ...	(717) 901-6050
Emergency Management Director	(717) 909-9245
Finance Director	(717) 909-9227
Food Safety Inspector (Retail)	(717) 805-9956
Indian Wheels	(717) 909-9254
Public Works Department	(717) 233-7143
Recreation Department.....	(717) 909-9228
Sewer Authority.....	(717) 545-0116
Sewage Enforcement Officer	(717) 564-1121
Shade Tree Commission.....	(717) 909-9226
Zoning Officer.....	(717) 909-9225

Other Useful Numbers

Dauphin County Treasurer's Office.....	(717) 780-6550
District Justice 12-1-01 Office	
(Jim Lenker).....	(717) 545-4143
Emergency Management Agency.....	(717) 540-4296
J.P. Harris Associates	(717) 766-4099
Keystone Collections Group	(888) 328-0557
Capital Region Water	(717) 238-8566
Suez Water.....	(717) 564-3662
Penn Waste.....	(717) 767-4456
State Police	
Troop "H" Headquarters.....	(717) 671-7500
Susquehanna Township School District	(717) 657-5100
Voter Registration.....	(717) 780-6360

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www.governor.pa.gov

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Township Meetings Calendar

Numbers in columns correspond with date in month.

		SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
Board Of Commissioners					
Regular Meeting	6:30 pm	12	10	14	12
Workshop Meeting	6:30 pm	26	24	None	None
*Second Meeting	6:30 pm	*4th Wednesday of month when scheduled			
Civil Service Commission		None	None	None	None
Design Review	1:00 pm	13	11	8	13
Health Board	12:00 pm	19	17	21	19
Human Relations Committee	6:30 pm	18	16	20	18
Industrial & Commercial Development Authority	12:00 pm	9	7	4	2
Pension Committee	12:00 pm	None	23	None	None
Planning Commission	6:00 pm	23	28	25	16
Property Maintenance Board Of Appeals	3:00 pm	9	14	4	9
Public Safety Advisory	7:30 pm	None	16	None	None
Recreation Advisory	6:00 pm	11	9	13	11
Sewer Authority	7:00 pm	10	1	12	3
Shade Tree Commission	4:00 pm	19	17	21	19
Zoning Hearing Board	6:30 pm	4	2	6	4

*Dates for the Year 2020 will be determined by the Board of Commissioners at the December meeting.

All meetings are held in the Susquehanna Township Municipal Building, 1900 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg, PA 17110. Any person with a disability requiring a special accommodation to attend a meeting should notify David W. Kratzer, Jr., Secretary-Manager, at 717-909-9222 as early as possible, but no later than five (5) working days prior to the meeting. The Township of Susquehanna will make every effort to provide a reasonable accommodation.

Township Offices Closed

Monday, September 2, 2019
Monday, November 11, 2019
Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29, 2019
Wednesday, December 25, 2019
Wednesday, January 1, 2020
Monday, January 20, 2020
Monday, February 17, 2020
Friday, April 10, 2020

Credit and Debit Cards May Be Used for Payment in the Township Building

ITEMS THAT MAY BE PAID BY CREDIT/DEBIT CARD:

- Sale of maps/supplies • Building Permits • Electrical Permits
- Plumbing Permits • Zoning Permits • Use and Occupancy Fees
- Zoning Hearing Board Fees • Restaurant & Food Peddlers Permit
- Transient Retail Permits • Professional Contractors/Plumbing Licenses
- Recreation Program Fees • Pavilion and Park Rental Fees

PLEASE NOTE: A 3% TRANSACTION FEE WILL BE APPLIED



GENERAL ELECTION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2019

POLLS ARE OPEN 7 am – 8 pm

Ward	Polling Location	Address
Ward 1	Rescue Fire Company	3701 North 6th Street
Ward 2	Pheasant Hill Estates Community Center	4400 Pheasant Hill Road
Ward 3	Locust Lane Chapel	2415 Locust Lane
Ward 4	Sara Lindemuth/Anna Carter Elementary Gym	1201 North Progress Avenue
Ward 5	Susquehanna Township Middle School Library	801 Wood Street
Ward 6	Progress Fire Company Community Building	3400 Maple Street
Ward 7	Ridgeway Community Church	525 North Progress Avenue
Ward 8	Thomas Holtzman Elementary School	1910 Linglestown Road
Ward 9	First Assembly of God	4100 North Progress Avenue

- ✓ To verify your polling place or check on voter status call 717-780-6360 or go to: votespa.com
- ✓ Voter registration deadline: Monday, October 7, 2019
- ✓ Request for absentee ballot deadline: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 5:00 pm EDT
- ✓ Absentee ballot deadline – received by Friday, November 1, 2019 5:00 pm EDT

New Rotator Cuff Workshop Reveals How to Naturally Heal Shoulder Pain and Arthritis for Good Without Medications, Injections or Surgery

- Do you have shoulder pain when you reach up high?
- Does it bother you to lift something heavy?
- Having trouble reaching behind your back?
- Problems sleeping at night?
- Has reaching into the back seat become impossible?
- Have you changed the way you do yardwork, housework or get dressed because of shoulder problems?

If you have answered YES to any of the above questions (or have a stubborn spouse who is in denial) – the **Rotator Cuff Workshop** at **Madden Physical Therapy**, 722 Allegheny St., Dauphin, PA on **Tuesday, October 15th at 6 PM** may be a life changing event for you.

We only have 15 seats available for the event...

The Rotator Cuff Workshop is FREE to those who register.
Call Lindy at 717-216-7235 to claim your seat.

*Looking forward to seeing you there,
 Dan Hinnerschitz, Physical Therapist*

Attention
Shoulder Pain
Sufferers!



Important Tax Information

Susquehanna Township Residents receive two tax bills annually.

Please note: Taxes are collected from two different agencies and hours in the Township Building are different:

February 1st Bill:

- **County/Township/Municipal Real Estate**
- **County Library**
 - Collected by Dauphin County Treasurer
 - Hours in Township Building: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
TUESDAYS ONLY – FEBRUARY & MARCH
 - Mail or take to: Dauphin County Courthouse
101 Market St. Room 105 Harrisburg, PA 17101
 - The last day to mail your tax payment is December 31, 2019.
 - Real estate taxes may also be paid using a credit or debit card or electronic check. Visit www.dauphincounty.org/payments to make a payment electronically. Transactions must be completed no later than December 31, 2019.
 - Call 717-780-6550 with questions

July 1st Bill:

- **School District Real Estate**
- **Per Capita**
- **Occupation Tax**
 - Collected by JP Harris
Mail to JP Harris PO BOX 226,
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
 - Hours in Township Building:
**JULY – DECEMBER
TUESDAY,
WEDNESDAY,
THURSDAY
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM**
Extended hours
during peak
collection times
 - Call 717-766-4099 with questions



Dog Licenses Available at the County Treasurer's Office

Applications for dog licenses are available at the Dauphin County Treasurer's Office. Applications are also online at www.padoglicense.com. Lifetime licenses may be purchased through the Treasurer's Office. The lifetime application is available at www.dauphincounty.org/dog.



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Building Codes and Permits

Thinking of remodeling or adding an addition to your home? The Susquehanna Township Community Development Department can help you navigate your way through.



Steps for applying for a permit:

1. Determine if the project requires a permit:

Permits are not required for: painting, installing cabinets, flooring, installing new siding material, gutters, downspouts, replacement windows/ doors (in the same opening if the framing is not altered), installation of additional rolled or batt insulation, replacement of existing electrical devices with approved devices, communication wiring and/or wireless devices, repairs to plumbing leaks not requiring structural changes, replacing an existing faucet or sink, clearances of stoppages and replacement of existing appliances.

2. If a permit(s) is required, things to consider:

The type of project determines whether approval is required under the Building Code, Zoning Ordinance, Health Code or all three. Township staff should be consulted in the planning stage to determine the permit requirements.

Projects that do not require building permits may require zoning permits. These projects would include fences, certain accessory structures under a certain size, new or expanded driveways, gazebos, etc.

Some projects may require separate electrical and plumbing permits.

A permit to convert from one heating source to another requires a permit. The manufacturer's installation and operation specifications must be submitted with the permit application.

The installation of solar panels on a roof requires a structural engineer to provide verification that the roof can support said additional loading. Electrical plans are required as well.

Please take note that the State Legislature has adopted the 2015 Codes with amendments on October 1, 2018 to the Uniform Construction Code (UCC). Information can be found on the Labor and Industry website www.dli.state.pa.us under the Uniform Construction Code section.

3. Obtain the applicable permit application(s) at the Township Building or online at: www.susquehannatwp.com.

4. Submit a completed application to the Township Office.

A completed application includes two sets of complete plans (Residential plans must be a minimum of 11" x 17" in size) including specifications and a plot (site) plan.

5. Application will be reviewed by Township Staff. Reviews can take up to 15 business days, so plan accordingly.

Projects may also require approval under provisions of other Township Ordinances and State requirements.

Residential plan review and inspections (except for electrical) are performed by the Building and Zoning Office. Certified Third-party Inspection Agencies perform electrical plan review and inspections.

Projects requiring variances or special exceptions from the Zoning Hearing Board must receive approval.

Fees are determined based on the total construction cost of a project. The Township determines the fees.

NOTE: If other approvals are required, these are separate from the building permit review and should be taken into consideration when planning a project. These approvals must be in place prior to submission. In most cases, all approvals must be obtained in order for building, electrical, and plumbing permits to be issued for a project.

6. Permit is issued

The Township will contact you when your permit is ready to be picked up and provide you with the amount of fees that are due.

Your project can begin once the fees are paid and the permit is picked up.

The Permit must be posted in a visible location on the property.

Three days prior to any digging, you must place a PA-1 Call to 811 to have all utility lines marked.

Requirements for contractors and the rights of homeowners:

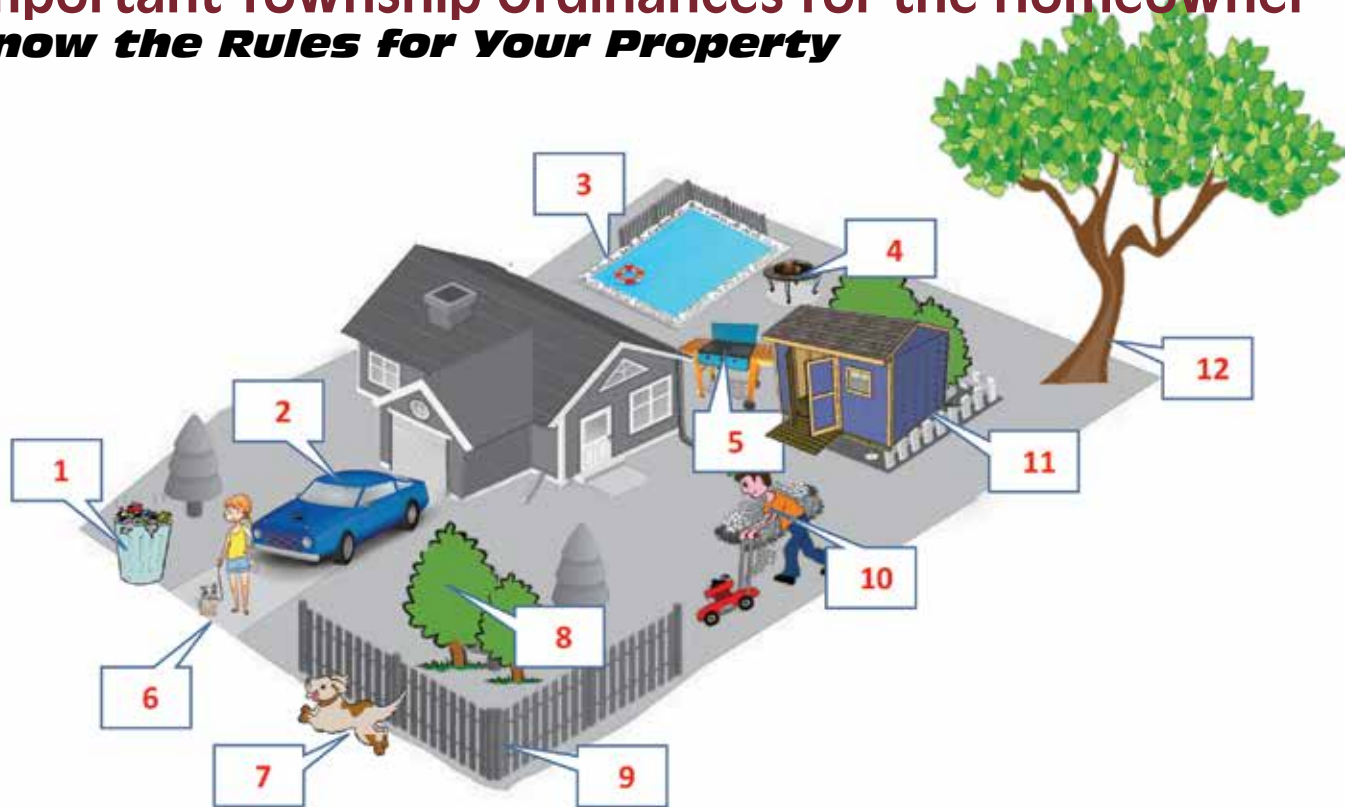
The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania requires various contractors performing home improvement to be registered with the Attorney General's office. Besides the registration requirement, there are regulations affecting contracts, the duties of contractors, and the rights of homeowners. More information is available by calling the Attorney General's office at 1-888-520-6680 or visiting www.attorneygeneral.gov.

Need More Information?

Contact Joe Vajda, Township Building Codes Official, at (717) 909-9226 or jvajda@susquehannatwp.com. Zoning permits, subdivision/land development, and storm water management information should be addressed to Michael Rohrer, Zoning Officer at (717) 909-9225 or mrohrer@susquehannatwp.com.

Important Township Ordinances for the Homeowner

Know the Rules for Your Property



Ordinance #		Description
1	20-104.4c	Trash cans should be put out no sooner than 24 hours before pickup and should be removed from street no more than 24 hours after pickup
2	10-302	It is unlawful to maintain a motor vehicle that is in disrepair on property.
3	23-101-105	A permit is mandatory prior to work on a pool. Pools must be at least 8 feet from the side or rear lot lines and structures. Fences are required for all in-ground pools and above-ground pools with a height of 4 feet or less. There are also proper barrier requirements.
4	Intl Fire Code 307.4.3	Portable outdoor fireplaces must be at least 15 feet from any structure or combustible material. Exception: 1 & 2 family dwellings. Only seasoned hardwood may be burned.
5	Intl Fire Code 308.3.1	Open-flame cooking devices cannot be used on combustible balconies or within 10 feet of combustible construction. Exception: 1 & 2 family dwellings; or where building/balcony is protected by sprinkler.
6	2-301	Do not allow pet on others' property. Clean up after pet.
7	2-102	Do not allow pet to run at large in the neighborhood.
8	25-108	All trimming and pruning of shade trees shall be done in a manner to ensure natural growth and a natural appearance. Dead branches over 2 inches in diameter should be removed.
9	27-2101	Fences cannot exceed 4 feet in front of property; 6 feet on side & rear of property.
10	10-101-a	Do not blow grass onto neighbors' property or street. Grass must be maintained at 6 inches or less.
11	27-2106.4	Outbuildings must be at least 3 feet from property line, 5 feet from alley, 10 feet from house, and cannot exceed 15 feet in height.
12	25-108	Tree branch clearance must be maintained at 14 feet above street surface and 8 feet above sidewalks.
*All township ordinances are available on the township website: www.susquehannatwp.com .		

Recycling: What's Unacceptable:

Say "NO"!!

- ❑ Packaging including bubble wrap, Styrofoam, plastic inserts, etc.
- ❑ Medical waste
- ❑ Plastic bags
- ❑ Clothing or linens
- ❑ Small appliances and/or extension cords
- ❑ Foil products
- ❑ Food or liquid
- ❑ Wood or building materials
- ❑ Electronic products



When In Doubt, Throw It Out!

Alternative methods for disposal when an item is not recyclable:

ELECTRONICS

Dauphin County Recycling Center
717-982-6772

Free of charge for Dauphin County Residents
1625 S. Cameron St
www.dauphincounty.org

HOUSEHOLD WASTE PRODUCTS

Call Penn Waste @ 717-767-4456

Cleaning products, paint,
weed killer, paint thinner, etc.
www.pennwaste.com

ITEMS WITH FREON

Call Penn Waste
to arrange pickup
717-767-4456

www.pennwaste.com

Trash Removal In Susquehanna Township

TRADITIONAL

Weekly - 4-bag Limit



OR

PAY-BY-BAG

Weekly - purchase through
Penn Waste



RECYCLING

Weekly



**CALL PENN
WASTE at**

866-575-8720
for information on
all waste removal

Medical Waste Disposal:

Home treatment materials

including:

- Syringes
- Any materials used for medical treatment

Proper Disposal:

- Place in heavy plastic container
- Recommended to tape lid shut
- Place in regular trash – NOT RECYCLABLE!



Bulk Items

- 1 item weekly
- Electronics not accepted

**Call Penn Waste for
full list of acceptable/
non-acceptable items*

Non-Acceptable Bulk Items:

- ✗ Batteries
- ✗ Automobile Parts
- ✗ Tires on Rims
- ✗ Commercial & Industrial Waste
- ✗ Construction Materials or Debris
- ✗ Electronics

Yard Waste:

1st & 3rd Saturday: April, May, September & October

3rd Saturday ONLY: March, June, July, August & November

NO COLLECTION: January, February & December

- Place yard waste in biodegradable brown paper bags or bundles with twine.
- Bundles may be no longer than 5 feet in length, may not exceed 6 inches in diameter nor weigh more than 30 pounds

**See other yard waste disposal
option at right*



dig my earth LLC Compost Facility

200 Fort Hunter Road, Harrisburg PA, 17110

Drop off hours for Susquehanna Twp residents – free of charge – with proper identification

- Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday – 9:00 am-5:00 pm
- Second & fourth Saturday of the month – 9:00 am-Noon

Other services offered:

- Products available for purchase: stone, mulches, topsoil, compost and custom blends
- Products may be picked up at the site or delivery service is available

For more info:

- www.digmyearth.com for additional information on acceptable yard waste materials
- 717-921-8980

We're joining forces to better serve you.

Two primary care offices are becoming one.

In November, we're combining two practices. Our primary care providers from the Progress Avenue clinic will join our primary care providers at:

Geisinger Holy Spirit Colonial Park Center
4230 Crums Mill Road, Harrisburg

At that time, patients currently seen at 3601 N. Progress Ave. will be seen at the Colonial Park Center.

Here's how the move helps you:

- We've hired more doctors to give you quicker access for appointments.
- The Colonial Park Center office is just 2 miles from the Progress Avenue office, and close to I-81 and I-83.
- Parking is free and convenient.



We're here for all your checkups, screenings, common illnesses and injuries. And if you have other care needs, we can refer you to a specialist nearby.

To schedule an appointment at this office or at another location nearby, call **844-377-2778**.

Geisinger

Public Works Department

FALL 2019 LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Beginning November 4: Leaves will be collected from even-numbered address side of the street on the day following trash collection.

On the following week, beginning November 11: Odd-numbered side leaves will be collected. The even and odd sides pattern will continue throughout the fall.

Leaf collection will end on December 27.

Please note the following changes for leaf collection:

- The Public Works Department will no longer double back for leaves that were not ready for collection.
- Public Works employees will no longer rake out leaves from yards. Leaves must be placed along the curb for collection.

Follow these guidelines for leaf collection:

- Remove cars from scheduled streets – leaves under or around vehicles will not be removed
- We will not provide special pick-ups as a result of conflicts with your landscaper.
- Do not mix branches, grass, rocks, or garbage with leaves.
- Leaves must be placed in front of your home; our new equipment is too large to safely fit down alleys.

Residents requiring leaf disposal prior to November 4th are encouraged to drop them off at Susquehanna Township's compost facility, "Dig My Earth" located at 200 Fort Hunter Road Harrisburg, PA. 17110

SNOW REMOVAL

As another winter season approaches, the Susquehanna Township Public Works Department has some reminders:

- Clearing around mailboxes is the homeowner's responsibility.
- Wait for the snow plow to pass before clearing mailboxes and driveways.
- Do not place snow or any other obstruction on the roadway.
- A path should be cleared around fire hydrants.



Goals and Benefits of STA's Stormwater Management Program

Township residents and businesses will benefit from the enhanced operation and maintenance of a stormwater infrastructure that controls pollution and reduces flooding. The goals of the STA's Stormwater Management Program include:

- Improve local water quality.
- Comply with the increased state permit requirements for the proper operation of the system.
- Enhance operation and maintenance of stormwater assets in order to save money by extending their useful life.
- Assess the condition of the existing infrastructure to make sure it meets current and future needs and strategically implement improvements in the most cost-effective manner.
- Develop a dedicated and reliable funding source outside the common tax base.
- Implement a fair and equitable allocation of costs to property owners in the Township.
- Educate the community on proper stormwater management, including techniques and practices to assist property owners with minimizing the quantity of stormwater runoff leaving their property.

Plant a Tree for Your Grandchildren



The effects of environmental degradation and climate change are right on the doorstep of our township. We wheeze from the vehicle exhaust wafting from the highways that traverse our neighborhoods. Increasingly frequent severe storms cause flash floods that imperil life and property. Rising temperatures bring ever more sticker shock to our cooling bills. Wouldn't

it be great if somebody would do something about these dreadful problems?

Great news! You are the "somebody" who can help! No, we're not trying to talk you into meatless Mondays or trading your SUV for a hybrid. The solution is much quicker and easier than that: Just plant a tree! While you're at it, plant two trees! As you're tamping down the last clump of soil around those saplings, you can take pride in knowing that each mature tree will:

- Remove 48 pounds of planet-warming CO2 each year.
- Intercept and filter 70 cubic meters of stormwater runoff. (That's about 18,760 gallons that does not have to be handled by the township's infrastructure.)
- Remove 34 pounds of harmful particulates each year.
- Provide evaporative cooling that is equivalent to the effect of ten room-size, residential air conditioners operating 20 hours a day.
- Cut your air-conditioning costs by 20-50%, if the tree is shading your home.

- Possibly reduce winter heating costs 10-15%, if your trees form a windbreak.
- Decrease your greenhouse gas emissions owing to decreased energy consumption for heating and cooling.
- Provide a home for birds and tree frogs.
- Reduce the need for pesticides (that ultimately end up in our waterways) as the birds and frogs feed on harmful insects.
- Add value to your home by as much as 5 to 20 percent.

In short, trees buffer against environmental threats and provide an astounding return on your investment. For a few hundred dollars, you can reduce pollution, help fight climate change, and increase the value of your home. No single action on your part can have as great and long-lasting a benefit for yourself and for our township. Moreover, you can leave no greater legacy for your grandchildren than a cleaner, greener world. Show your love and grow your love by planting trees!

For more information see: <https://timefortrees.org>. Data for this article obtained from the Arbor Day Foundation, onegreenplanet.org, onetreeplanted.org, the Grantham Institute, and the Trillion Trees Vision.



The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second-best time is now.

- Chinese Proverb





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National Night Out for Public Safety

On August 6th — Community members gathered at Veteran's Park to interact with Susquehanna Township Police Officers for National Night Out. We had an amazing live band, yummy food, kids' activities, and most importantly interaction with our neighbors! Thanks to everyone for coming out. Join us next year on August 4th for National Night Out!



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Police News & Tips



Greetings from the Police Department. The Police Officers of our Department continue to serve with honor and distinction. Over the past several months we have hired several new officers.

- New officers: Officer Ben Gainer, Officer Angela Codero, Officer Brian Aponte, and Officer Kristin Deardorff.
- The Police Department is working towards starting a canine program. We are asking for donations to help start the program. Checks can be made to the Susquehanna Township Police Canine Program.

- We need citizens to be our eyes and ears. Report criminal and suspicious activity in your neighborhood. Together we have done an outstanding job working as a team and have reduced reported crime appreciably throughout the Township.
- One of the ever-increasing crimes in the Township is the illegal entry into vehicles.

PLEASE, PLEASE LOCK YOUR CAR DOORS AT NIGHT!!!

Please follow us on FACEBOOK and CRIMEWATCH portal.

Police Begin K9 Adopt a Dog Program



In May 2019, the Susquehanna Township Police Department instituted the "Canine for a Day Program." Partnering with the Humane Society, an officer takes a canine on patrol, both mobile and foot. The initiative promotes citizen interaction and creates a positive opportunity for officers from their daily regimen of patrol. Each dog is then posted on the Police Facebook page with the hopes that a citizen will consider adopting the dog. To date, every dog that has ridden with them has been adopted! During the summer, officers took the dogs to many parks and visited the Susquehanna Township Day Camp every week to be greeted by the kids. The project was spearheaded by Corporal Tim Rogers. The dogs selected are temper tested for behaviors conducive to the program. The Police Department hopes to continue this program into the fall and winter months.

Trick or Treat Night ~ Thursday, October 24, 2019 ~ 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

- 🍊 Never eat unwrapped candy, opened candy, or fruit
- 🍊 Walk or ride with an adult or a group - NEVER ALONE.
- 🍊 Use clothing or a costume that is visible from a distance.
- 🍊 Use reflective tape to make yourself more visible.
- 🍊 If a mask is worn, be sure you can see out of it clearly.
- 🍊 Take off the mask while walking from house to house.
- 🍊 Consider using face paint to provide better vision.

- 🍊 Carry a white bag for candy or a bag/ container with reflective tape on it.
- 🍊 Carry a flashlight.
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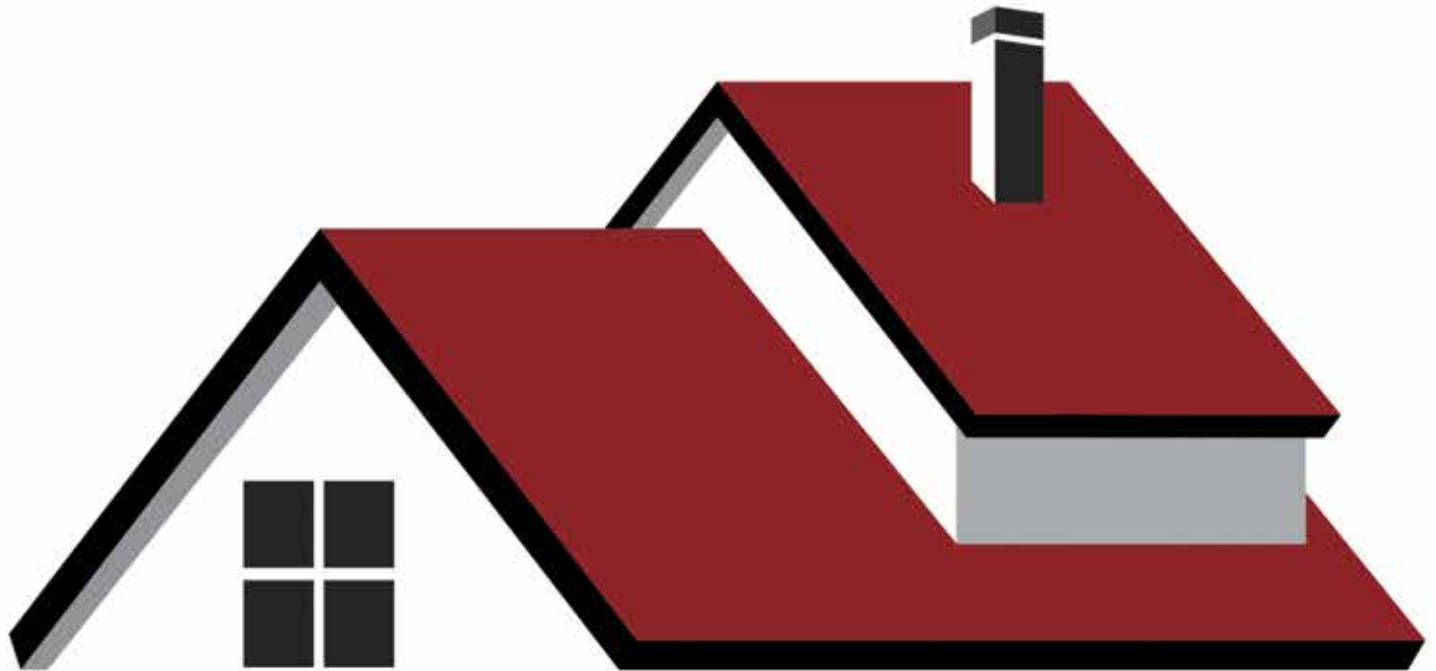
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SUSQUEHANNA TOWNSHIP ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWS



Alumni & Friends Fall Breakfast

Saturday, September 28, 2019

9:30 AM-11:00 AM (doors open at 9:00 AM)

Susquehanna Township High School Cafeteria

Cost: \$10.00 meal

Make check payable to STHS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Mail to P.O. BOX 61474, HARRISBURG, PA 17106-1474

Breast Cancer Awareness Month Fundraising

Information: Tammi (717) 215-7583 or

thammaker21@gmail.com

Bowling against Cancer

Sunday, October 13, 2019

2:00PM ABC North Lanes

PINK OUT Football Game

Friday, October 25, 2019 vs McDevitt

7:00 PM Roscoe Warner Field

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Contact Andrea at (717) 877-8321



Crunch Fitness Day

Sunday, October 27, 2019

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Alumni Lifetime Membership: \$15.00.

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PARKS AND RECREATION



Summer 2019 Recreation Recap

The summer of 2019 will go down as one of the hottest in recent history. Thankfully, the rain visited our programs the first week and then did not return! Both programs, Day Camp and Playgrounds, enjoyed a surge in attendance that has not been experienced in several years. Both programs ran for a total of 7 weeks. The 2 programs employed a total of 28 employees for the summer season. Most of the employees were high school and college students.

The Susquehanna Township Summer Day Camp, accepting children from 5 years to 13, was at capacity all summer! Day Camp operates from Thomas Holtzman Elementary on Linglestown Road. Camp is open 7:30 am - 4:00 pm, Monday through Thursday. Campers are divided into 4 rooms based on age. A hot breakfast and lunch is provided daily thanks to the Dauphin County Vo-Tech Summer



Feeding Program.

The little ones were treated to several field trips: Hands on House, State Museum, and Gamut Theatre. They also joined the full camp for the annual trek to Lake Tobias. The older kids also went bowling, skating, golfing, and sailed on the Pride of the Susquehanna. The entire Camp traveled to Latshmere Pool to cool off every Tuesday morning. When not on the road, kids enjoyed plenty of camp-wide games, arts & crafts and just plain fun!

Day Camp registration begins every March and is available on a weekly basis. There is a basic weekly camp fee with additional cost for field trips.

The Susquehanna Township Playgrounds Program accepts children from ages 8 to 12 years old. This program is a walk-on program and is probably the best kept secret in the county! There are 3 playgrounds in the Township that are staffed daily from 9 am – 2 pm, Monday through Friday. Like the Day Camp, playgrounds also receive a free lunch daily except for Wednesdays when they are on their field trips.



The Playground Program offers arts & crafts and games. Each park has its own unique personality! Popular games being played under all the pavilions are Connect-Four, Sorry, and Nok-hockey. Veterans Park always has a game of Mancala going! Kids can get a little more active with a game of kickball, basketball or dodgeball. Field trips this year included Adventure Golf, bowling, skating, Lake Tobias, and Little Buffalo. The playground participants enjoyed a dip in the pool at Latshmere every Thursday morning.

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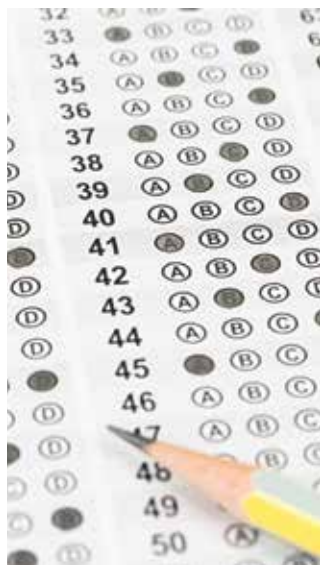
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PSAT/SAT PREP CLASSES

All dates are consecutive Saturdays and Sundays. Saturdays: 1 - 4 pm; Sundays: 1 - 4:30 pm

Session I: Sat, Oct 26 and Sun, Oct. 27, 2019; Registration deadline: Fri, Oct 18

Session II: Sat, Nov 23 and Sun, Nov 24, 2019; Registration deadline: Fri, Nov 15

Session III: Sat, March 7 and Sun, March 8, 2020; Registration deadline: Fri, Feb 28

Session IV: Sat, Apr 25 and Sun, Apr 26, 2020; Registration deadline: Fri, Apr 17

Session V: Sat, May 30 and Sun, May 31, 2020; Registration deadline: Fri, May 22

This course specializes in building comprehension skills in math and critical reading (SAT Math and Verbal). Students will learn strategies to help increase their scores on the PSAT and SAT exams. By increasing their scores, students will broaden their opportunities for scholarships and college variety. Small classes. Great one-on-one assistance.

Instructor: Steve Little

Susquehanna Room, Township Building

Fee: \$165.00 + \$17.00 book fee

Pre-registration required – note deadline following dates listed above.

ACT PREP CLASS

Saturday, October 19, 2019; 1 – 4 pm and Sunday, October 20, 2019; 1 - 4:30 pm

This class is designed specifically for students wishing to tackle the ACT Test this spring.

We offer one of the few prep classes for ACT in the area! As this test is becoming more and more popular in this area, be one of the first to take advantage of ACT PREP. Learn how to prepare for science questions on the ACT and how to answer the unique ACT test questions.

Small classes. Great one-on-one assistance.

Instructor: Steve Little

Susquehanna Room, Township Building

Fee: \$165.00 + \$17.00 book fee

Pre-registration required: Deadline for registration – Friday, October 11



For more information on these classes and to register:

Call Susquehanna Township Parks & Recreation at: 717-909-9228

OR register in person at the Municipal Building: 1900 Linglestown Rd. Harrisburg



The Susquehanna Township Parks & Recreation Department accepts applications for summer employment beginning January 1. Applicants must be 16 years of age and pass all clearances. Applications are accepted until March 15. Interviews are done in late March. Watch for details on our web page! Join our team next summer! We also accept 14 and 15-year-olds into our Counselor-in-Training Program.

SENIOR PROGRAMS (55+)



AARP SAFE DRIVING CERTIFICATION

Session I: September 23 & 24, 2019

Session II: January 6 & 7, 2020

Session III: March 23 & 24, 2020

Session IV: June 1 & 2, 2020

Session V: September 28 & 29, 2020

9:00 am – 1:00 pm (all sessions)

For 55 years of age or over. The material covered emphasizes change - "in the roads, in the regulations, in vehicles, and in ourselves." Completion of the course secures three years of certification as a "Safe Driver" and a percentage reduction on car insurance premium. Participants must attend both days.

Instructor: Arthur Dym, Certified Instructor

Susquehanna Twp Municipal Building, Susquehanna Room

Fee: AARP Members: \$15 +\$5 Facility Fee* Non-AARP Members: \$20 + \$5 Facility Fee*

***Facility fee is payable to Susquehanna Township. The remainder is payable to AARP at the time of the class.**

Please call ahead to reserve seat: 717-909-9228



AARP SAFE DRIVING REFRESHER COURSE

Session I: Monday, September 16, 2019

Session II: Monday, January 13, 2020

Session III: Monday, March 9, 2020

Session IV: Monday, June 8, 2020

Session V: Monday, September 21, 2020

9:00 am – 1:00 pm (all sessions)

For 55 years of age or over. Must have previously completed a driving certification class. Completion of the course renews three years of certification as a "Safe Driver" and a percentage reduction on car insurance premium.

Instructor: Arthur Dym, Certified Instructor • Susquehanna Township Municipal Building, Susquehanna Room

Fee: AARP Members: \$15 +\$5 Facility Fee* • Non-AARP Members: \$20 +\$5 Facility Fee*

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Please call ahead to reserve seat: 717-909-9228



MEDICARE 101: MEDICARE BASICS

Tuesday, October 22; 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

This FREE one-hour course will help you understand the basics: when to start the process, selecting the best plan, and saving money on your prescriptions.

Presenter: Jon Ebersole, Medicare Madness

Susquehanna Township Building, Susquehanna Room

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Instructor: Dorothy Bangert, Certified Instructor

Susquehanna Township Municipal Building, Susquehanna Room

Fee: \$3 per class

No pre-registration necessary



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THURSDAY
7 p.m.

The Health and Hype About Breast Cancer: Body Weight, Relatives and Genetics, Exams, Alcohol Connection, Screenings, Tests, and Surgical Options

Presenters:

Brynn Wolff, MD
UPMC Pinnacle Breast Care Center
Kit Lu, MD
UPMC Pinnacle Breast Care Center

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THURSDAY
7 p.m.

Could You or Someone You Love Be Experiencing Domestic Violence and You Not Know It?

Presenter:

Christine A. Kotlarski, LCSW
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TUESDAY
7 p.m.

Is Spine Pain Holding You Back?

Panelists:

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TUESDAY
7 p.m.

Helping Children Manage Their Emotions

Presenter:

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TUESDAY
7 p.m.

Celiac Disease in Children

Presenter:

Muhammad Azim Qureshi, MD
Pediatric Gastroenterology Associates

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TUESDAY
7 p.m.

Diabetes — How Can You Empower Yourself?

Presenter:

Arcondia Schneider, CRNP
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TUESDAY
7 p.m.

Chronic Kidney Disease, Nutrition for CKD, and Transplant Options

Presenter:

Manpreet Singh, MD
UPMC Pinnacle Transplant Associates

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TUESDAY
7 p.m.

Epilepsy: Awareness, Diagnosis, and Treatment

Presenter:

Sasan Salimian, MD
Neurology at UPMC Pinnacle Neurosurgery and
Neurosciences Institute

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TUESDAY
7 p.m.

Weight Loss Surgery, Is It Right for Me?

Presenter:

Matthew Robinson, DO
The Weight Loss Center at UPMC Pinnacle

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TUESDAY
7 p.m.

Fatty Liver Disease/Liver Transplantation

Presenters:

Swaytha Ganesh, MD
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