

Can you tell us where the Woodstock School was located?



A resident of Scotland submitted the picture above. It is a photo of the Woodstock School and student body on March 8, 1912. We need your help. Can you tell us where the Woodstock School was located? Please call the Greene Township Office at 263-9160 with any information you may have. We remind you that we welcome any Township resident who has an old photo of a special or landmark place in Greene Township to bring the photo to the Township Office for a future issue of the "Greene Informer". The picture will be returned to you.

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DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO NEEDS ASSISTANCE?

REACH work camp is looking to help the elderly, the disabled, or low-income families within 30 minutes of the Shippensburg High School. REACH will be working with those who need assistance with home repairs such as painting (interior and exterior), repairing or replacing porches, steps, handrails, roof repairs, repair or replace rotten floors, and wheelchair ramps.

MATERIALS AND LABOR ARE FREE!!!

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WATER ADVISORY

Governor Mark Schweiker signed a proclamation declaring a drought emergency in Pennsylvania and calling on Pennsylvanians to conserve water as drought conditions statewide continue to deteriorate.

Should conditions not improve soon, this drought has the potential to be worse than the drought of 1964—the worst drought on record in State history.

We urge all customers to do their part to conserve water in every way they can. Reduce the amount of water you use inside and outside the home.

The following reasons behind the deteriorating drought conditions are: very little snow last winter, a dry hot summer and very little rain last fall with no snow this winter.

The results of these factors are: record low stream levels, very low groundwater levels and wells running dry.

In a drought emergency, mandatory water restrictions may include: no serving of water in eating places unless requested by the customer, closing down of indoor and outdoor water fountains, artificial water falls and pools as well as residential and business rationing.

The mandatory restrictions put in place by the drought emergency target non-essential water uses first: watering lawns, topping off or filling swimming pools and washing cars except with a bucket. If we do our part by using common sense in conserving water, we can make sure we protect our water resources for the spring and summer ahead.

Your cooperation in this drought situation will be greatly appreciated.

GUILFORD WATER AUTHORITY

SPRING 2002 BULK COLLECTION DAY

Bulk collection day has been scheduled for Friday and Saturday April 5 & 6, 2002. The collection will be at the Township building located at 1145 Garver Lane in the village of Scotland. The collection will begin Friday at 7:00 AM and will finish at 3:00 PM. The collection will begin Saturday at 6:00 AM and will finish at 4:00 PM. This is a service provided free of charge to the residents of Greene Township from the supervisors. Please inform your neighbors and friends of this service and encourage them to participate.

Please do not bring batteries, liquefied paints, spray cans, propane bottles, fuel drums, tires, and other hazardous materials because we will be unable to accept them. In addition, construction debris will not be accepted. Arrangements will have to be made with the landfill to dump construction debris. We will accept items not picked up by your regular trash service but we do not accept regular household trash. Yard waste will also not be accepted during bulk collection. Greene Township accepts yard waste on a regular basis at our yard waste composting facility on Mickey's Inn Road.

Please contact the Greene Township Board of Supervisors at (717) 263-9160 with any questions regarding our upcoming bulk collection days.

REQUIREMENTS FOR FENCES AND SHEDS

Peak construction season is approaching. If you plan to construct or place a storage building/shed or fence, this information will apply to you.

The construction of a storage building/shed or fence would fall under accessory building regulations. An accessory use building in a residential district with a dwelling unit on the lot would usually be a detached storage utility building, a detached garage building or a fence. All buildings do require a building permit prior to starting construction. If a building is purchased already constructed and is placed on the property, a building permit is still required. The minimum building setback distance for a detached residential accessory building is five feet off the rear and both side property lines. The front yard setback will vary depending upon the zoning district where the property is located. The front yard setback would be the same distance required for the dwelling (principal use) on the property. In the case of a corner lot, the front yard setback distance requirements for the detached buildings applies on both street or road frontages.

A building permit must be obtained for all fences exceeding four feet in height. Fences located in the side or rear yards are exempt from property line setback requirements. The fence must be located on the applicant's property but no minimum distance is required from that property line. When erecting a fence or building, the property owner must know where their property line is located. If property lines or other markers are not available, the property owner needs to determine their location before applying for a building permit or starting any construction. Fences to be located within the front yard area or otherwise located along a road or street are exempt from property line setback requirements, provided that: (1) such fences are not located in the clear sight triangle; (2) such fences are located, constructed and maintained so as not to obscure or impair the visibility of an operator of a motor vehicle exiting the property; and (3) such fences are see-through type fencing, being constructed of chain-link, post and rail, picket or other similar type fencing material. Please contact the Township Zoning Office regarding any questions concerning building permit requirements or any other zoning related matters. The telephone number is 263-4990. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 4:00pm.

REMEMBER—TUESDAY, MAY 21ST IS PRIMARY ELECTION DAY IN PENNSYLVANIA

If you need to register to vote or find out where your polling place is, you can contact the Voter Registration Office in the Franklin County Courthouse at 261-3886. Voter registration forms are also available at the Greene Township Offices.

AS YOU LOOK TOWARD SUMMER, REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING POOL REGULATIONS

With the summer season just around the corner, the Greene Township Zoning Office wants to remind all residents and property owners of the regulations regarding the installation and upkeep of both in-ground and aboveground private swimming pools. A building permit is required for the construction or installation of all such swimming pools. Conventional childrens' wading pools are exempt from the building permit requirement providing they are not over two feet in height. One of the major concerns with private swimming pools is the safety factor. If an aboveground swimming pool has a height of at least three and one-half feet above the ground, then a fence is not required provided all points of entry, such as a ladder or steps, are protected from unauthorized entry. Some ladders are designed to be removed from the pool area when not in use and stored in a secure area. Most of the aboveground pool ladders are the "flip up" type which have a latch where a lock can be attached. Any gates through fences or onto steps etc must be provided with self-closing latch and lock to prevent entry when the pool is not in use. Pools are required to be a minimum distance from the water's edge to the property lines. Aboveground pools must be at least fifteen feet from both side property lines and the rear property line. In-ground pools must be at least twenty feet from both side property lines and the rear property line. The minimum setback distance from the front property line (measured from the edge of the road right-of-way) is the same as the principal use required minimum distance. This figure depends on the zoning district where the property is located. In-ground swimming pools and aboveground pools that are not at least three and one-half feet above the ground level are required to be completely surrounded by a fence or wall at least four feet in height and all gates or wall openings are required to have self-closing latches and be equipped with locks.

Persons desiring to install or construct a swimming pool are to first make application for a building permit at the Township office. They are to stake off the location of the proposed pool and the zoning official will then inspect the site to verify the property setback distances. After the pool has been completed, the contractor or property owner is to notify the Township Zoning Office so that a final inspection can be made and a certificate of compliance issued. The cooperation of all residents and property owners is requested to help ensure that these safety features are installed, used and maintained for the entire time the pool is on the property. The safety of children and the general public are the prime concern with the pools. Any questions regarding pool regulations should be to the Greene Township Zoning Office at 263-4990.