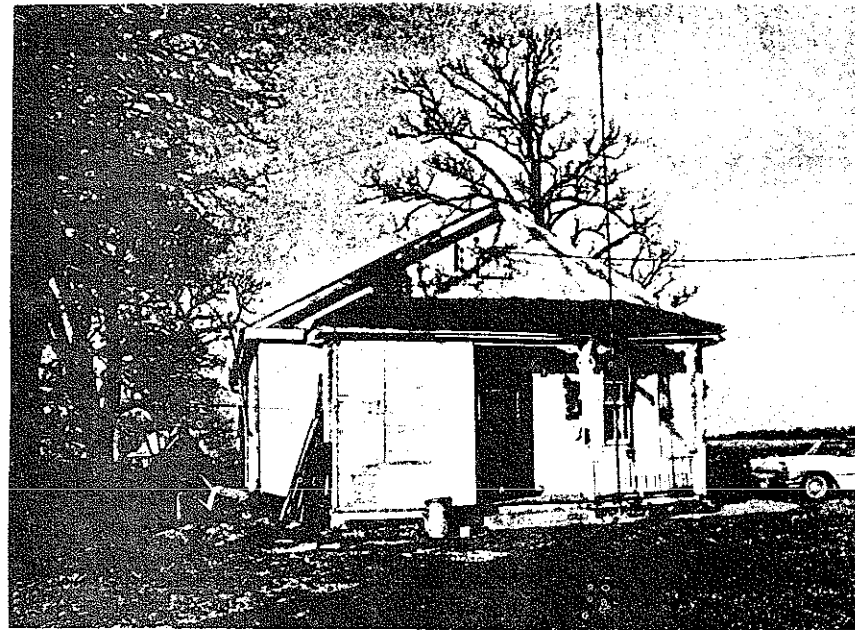


Can You Identify This Picture?



Jim Barrett identified the Garfield School in the last issue of the Informer. This school, located at Siloam and Letterkenny Roads closed in 1947. 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. If you can identify the picture above, please contact the township office at (717) 263-9160

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Summer Road Construction

Summer road construction is right around the corner. This summer we are tentatively planning several road construction projects.

This year Letterkenny Road West, Shatzer Road, Shearer Road and Sycamore Grove Road will be widened and overlaid.

As summer approaches, check our local media for road closings.

Did You Know?

The statewide building code will be in effect by July 7, 2004. This code was signed into law in 1999. The regulations have been written and will go into effect this summer.

If you are planning a construction project, please contact the Greene Township Zoning Office at (717) 263-4990. The usual permitting will still be required by Greene Township.

Once the statewide building code has taken effect, you will also be required to get a building permit and have related inspections to certify compliance with the statewide building code. The Greene Township Board of Supervisors and staff will do our best to assist you through this process.

When planning a building project, **please plan ahead.** The normal timeframe from the time a permit application is made to the time a permit is issued will be lengthened significantly.

Greene Township will continue to go out of our way to provide timely service to our residents. Building code inspections will be handled by private firms. The timeline they must follow is written into law and is not governed by Greene Township.

Current permits issued by our Zoning Office are good for eighteen months. If Greene Township's permit is issued prior to the statewide building code implementation, Greene Township considers your structure to be exempt from the building code's regulations.

This is for information purposes only. Please call the Greene Township Zoning Office if you are building in 2004.

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GREENE TOWNSHIP PARK AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES QUESTIONNAIRE

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors, in connection with the development of the Township Municipal Park, have prepared the following questionnaire in order to obtain input from its residents regarding their preferences in park and recreational facilities. The Supervisors would appreciate it if you would fill out the questionnaire and either mail it or drop it off at the Municipal Building. Thank you for your participation!

1. Please list the park and recreational facilities in Greene Township that you and your family currently use.
2. How many miles does your family travel to use a park or recreational facility in Greene Township?
3. In which areas do you feel more programming is needed? Check all that apply.

<input type="checkbox"/> Baseball fields	<input type="checkbox"/> Tennis courts
<input type="checkbox"/> Softball fields	<input type="checkbox"/> Swimming pools
<input type="checkbox"/> Soccer fields	<input type="checkbox"/> Hockey fields
<input type="checkbox"/> Bike trails	<input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify
<input type="checkbox"/> Basketball courts	
4. If additional recreational programs were developed in Greene Township, which age groups should be targeted?

<input type="checkbox"/> 5-9 year olds	<input type="checkbox"/> 20-35 year olds
<input type="checkbox"/> 10-14 year olds	<input type="checkbox"/> 36-65 year olds
<input type="checkbox"/> 15-19 year olds	<input type="checkbox"/> 66+ year olds
5. Which of the following factors prevent you and your family from visiting recreational facilities and parks in Greene Township? Check all that apply.

<input type="checkbox"/> Not interested	<input type="checkbox"/> Too crowded
<input type="checkbox"/> Lack of information	<input type="checkbox"/> Too far away
<input type="checkbox"/> Poor Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify
6. What types of recreational facilities in Greene Township do you and your family currently use? Check all that apply.

<input type="checkbox"/> Picnic areas	<input type="checkbox"/> Swimming Pools
<input type="checkbox"/> Playgrounds	<input type="checkbox"/> Skateboarding
<input type="checkbox"/> Trails	<input type="checkbox"/> Sports fields
<input type="checkbox"/> Basketball courts	<input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify
<input type="checkbox"/> Tennis courts	
7. What types of recreational facilities do you feel are lacking within the Township? Check all that apply.

<input type="checkbox"/> Picnic areas	<input type="checkbox"/> Swimming Pools
<input type="checkbox"/> Playgrounds	<input type="checkbox"/> Skateboarding
<input type="checkbox"/> Trails	<input type="checkbox"/> Sports fields
<input type="checkbox"/> Basketball courts	<input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify
<input type="checkbox"/> Tennis courts	

Spring 2004 Bulk Collection

Bulk Collection days for spring 2004 have been scheduled for Friday and Saturday, April 23 & 24, 2004. The collection will be at the Township building located at 1145 Garver Lane in the village of Scotland. The collection on Friday will begin at 7:00 AM and will finish at 3:00 PM. The collection on Saturday will begin at 6:00 AM and will finish at 4:00 PM. This service is 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, fuel drums, and other hazardous materials. We are unable to accept them. In addition, construction debris will not be accepted. Arrangements need 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 is also not accepted during bulk collection. Greene Township accepts yard waste on a regular basis at our 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.

NOTE: We will accept propane bottles this year. Once again, we will accept tires. We will accept up to eight tires per household for disposal at bulk collection days this spring. We will only accept standard car or pick-up truck tires. No rims are allowed.

Do You Need Assistance?

Chambersburg Project is looking to help the elderly, the disabled, or low-income families from July 11-16, 2004. They will be working with those who need assistance with home repairs to include roof repair, porch or step repair, interior or exterior painting, construction of wheelchair ramps, and major cleaning projects in yards, basements, or attics.

MATERIALS AND LABOR ARE FREE!!!

Contact: Chambersburg Project
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TUESDAY, APRIL 27TH IS PRIMARY ELECTION DAY IN PENNSYLVANIA

If you need to register to vote, change your registration in some way or find out where your polling place is, you may contact the Voter Registration Office in the Franklin County Courthouse at 261-3886.

Voter registration forms are also available at the Greene Township Offices at 1145 Garver Lane, Scotland.

COMPOSTING FACILITY

The Greene Township yard waste composting facility continues to be open to Greene Township residents on Saturdays from 8:00AM until 1:00PM. This schedule will continue throughout the summer months.

The composting facility accepts most types of yard waste except grass and shrubbery with the sod still attached to the root ball.

All material generated by the composting facility is free to township residents for residential use. At various times during the year, after completing the composting process, leaf compost and bark mulch are available for distribution. Material is available on a first come first served basis. You may stop by the compost facility at Mickey's Inn Road on Saturday mornings to check on availability.

You may also make an appointment to drop off yard waste at the composting facility during the week by calling the Greene Township Board of Supervisors at (717) 263-9160.

The Greene Township yard waste composting facility is a service provided by the Greene Township Board of Supervisors partially funded through recycling grants provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

Note: In March 2004, Greene Township was awarded an additional Department of Environmental Protection grant in the amount of \$333,520.20 for additional equipment to be used at the Greene Township yard waste composting facility.

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 permit is required for the construction or installation of all such swimming pools. Conventional childrens' wading pools are exempt from the building permit requirement provided 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.

Any questions regarding pool regulations should be to the Greene Township Zoning Office at 263-4990.