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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY – DIAL 911



The Greene Township Board of Supervisors and staff hopes everyone had a Happy Holiday Season. It has been our pleasure to serve you this past year and we look forward to serving you even more effectively in the year 2011. As always, if you have any questions or problems that we can help with please contact us at 263-9160 or 263-4990.

Christmas Tree Collection

Greene Township will be commencing **Christmas Tree collection January 10 - January 24, 2011.** Trees must be placed at the edge of your yard **no further than four feet from the pavement of the road on the first day** of collection. **No return trips** will be made.



Recent Upgrades to Greene Township Website

In an effort to provide easier access to information, the Township is in the process of upgrading our website.

www.twp.greene.franklin.pa.us

Recently, **various Township forms, applications, and instructions have been added.** This information is available in printable format on our website. The Township Road and Zoning Maps have also been added as well as a Community Page for the listing of events to be held by non-profit organizations in our community.

In 2011, Greene Township proudly begins its 32nd year without a Township real estate tax.

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Spring Brush & Leaf Collection

Greene Township will be commencing **Spring brush and leaf pick-up** during the following dates:

Monday, April 11 – Monday, April 25, 2011

The collection crew will make ONE pass through the Township. Please place your brush and rake your leaves to the edge of your yard, **no further than four feet from the edge of the pavement of the road**. Do not bag your leaves. The brush and leaves must be on **separate piles** in order for the township machinery to collect it and must be placed for pick up on the **first day** of the collection schedule. If the brush and leaves are not separated, they will not be collected. Please avoid placing brush and leaves next to mailboxes, fence posts, etc. as they can be damaged by the equipment.



Fall 2010 Bulk Collection Facts

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors offers their thanks to residents for participation in the Fall 2010 Bulk Collection event. During the two days of the event a total of:

- 837 vehicles transported bulk items to the collection.
- 800 yards were taken to the landfill for disposal.
- 24,605 tons of scrap metal were separated for recycling.
- 715 tires were collected.

Road Closed for Bridge Repair



Siloam Road between Route 11 (Philadelphia Avenue) and Airport Road in Greene Township **will be closed through mid-April 2011** for bridge repair over the Conococheague Creek. Questions concerning this closure should be directed to Clearwater Construction, telephone (717) 458-0511. The Board of Supervisors regrets any inconvenience this may cause residents and appreciates all cooperation during this time.

Spring 2011 Bulk Collection Mark Your Calendar!

Bulk Collection days for Spring 2011 have been scheduled for:

Friday & Saturday, April 15 & 16, 2011.

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 7:00 AM and will finish at 4:00 PM**. **Note time change for Saturday from 6:00 AM to 7:00 AM.** This service is provided to the residents (not commercial) of Greene Township from the Supervisors. Please inform your neighbors and friends of this service and encourage them to participate.

Residents should bring drivers license as a form of identification or have a Greene Township identification sticker on the vehicle. A bulky item is an item that will not fit in your garbage container or weighs more than 50 pounds. Bulky items must be free of all garbage. Building materials, loose material, and items that can be broken down to fit in a garbage container are not bulky items and will not be accepted.

Please do not bring 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 (bags of garbage, recyclables, etc)**. 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: Vehicle batteries will be accepted again. We continue to accept 20 lb. propane bottles as well as up to eight tires per household for disposal this Spring. We can only accept standard car or pick-up truck tires. Rims and tires must be separated.

Greene Township Prohibits ALL Open Burning of Leaf, Yard and Solid Waste



FEMA

Flood Hazard Mapping Being Revised

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is in the process of revising the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) for the County of Franklin. As described by FEMA, the new mapping will have an updated base map that will greatly improve the accuracy of floodplain determinations. As part of this process, **community meetings will be scheduled by FEMA** for residents of the county. Copies of the preliminary FIRM have been provided to Greene Township and are available in our office for review if you wish to determine if your property will be affected.

Homestead Exclusion

If you are a property owner (this **does** include mobile homes), have you applied for the homestead exclusion? If you're unsure, simply check your July 2010 school real estate tax bill and if you have applied and been approved, you will see a reduction of up to \$563.72. To qualify, the property must be your primary residence. It is not based on age or income. Also, some individuals in the past did not apply for the exclusion since the funds were being raised from the Pennsylvania slots. For your information, out of the \$563.72 2010 homestead exclusion for properties in the Chambersburg Area School District, only \$79.79 of the exclusion was from gambling revenue. The majority of the funds came from a tax switch to the 0.7% earned income tax increase. If you are a new property owner or have never applied, you should receive an application from the Franklin County Assessment Office by January 15, 2011. The **application deadline is March 1, 2011**. Also, once you have applied and been approved, you do **not** have to reapply each year unless you move, change your address, etc. If you feel you should have received an application and haven't, or you have any questions, please feel free to call:

Kathy Frazer, Tax Collector (717) 264-8674
or
Franklin County Assessment Office (717) 261-3801

Winter Weather Advisory



The Greene Township Board of Supervisors would like the residents of Greene Township to keep in mind the snow removal policies and help us as we attempt to maintain safe and passable roads this winter. You can assist us by remembering a few important tips.

- **Please do not park on township roads and cul-de-sacs.** Your car can be damaged from snow and other debris being moved by the plow. This is also a **violation** of the Township Code.
- **Please keep trash bags and containers off of the roadway.** Greene Township is not responsible for damage to containers that are on the roadway or in the road right of way.
- **Greene Township's procedure on snow removal is as follows:** During the storm the trucks will make initial and subsequent passes to open roadways and keep the roads at passable conditions. After the storm the trucks will make multiple passes to clear snow from one edge of pavement to the other of the roadway and clean intersections. Please remember this policy when clearing driveways and parking areas.
- When following a snowplow please remain a safe distance behind the vehicle so that the operator can see you. These trucks stop and back up often as well as deposit anti-skid on the road surface.
- **Do not shovel snow from your property onto the road surface or plow across the road to deposit the snow on the other side.** These practices reduce the melting effect of the salt and remove the anti-skid from the road surface. This creates an icy patch on the road that is very difficult to remove. This is also against the law and **you can be fined** up to \$300 per incident.
- If your mailbox is located within the legal right-of-way and it has been damaged in the past, homeowners may want to consider relocating the mailbox. Make sure your mailbox is firmly supported in the ground. Place reflective tape on the mailbox to make it more visible. Remove snow from around the mailbox. Greene Township is not responsible for damage to your mailbox due to snow or ice.



Most importantly, if you don't have to be traveling please stay home. The least amount of vehicles on the road the better it is for our operators to do a fast and effective job of removing snow and ice.

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Community Page

Greenvillage Youth League

Registration for the 2011 baseball and softball season will be held at the **Greenvillage Concession Stand** on the following dates and times:

Saturday, January 15 th , 2011	10 AM – 12 Noon
Saturday, January 22 nd , 2011	10 AM – 12 Noon
Saturday, January 29 th , 2011	10 AM – 12 Noon
Thursday, February 3 rd , 2011	6 - 8 PM
Saturday, February 5 th , 2011	10 AM – 12 Noon

Guilford Athletic Association

Registration for the 2011 baseball and softball season will be held at the **Guilford Sports Complex** on the following dates and times:

Wednesday, January 26 th , 2011	6 - 8 PM
Saturday, January 29 th , 2011	10 AM – 12 Noon
Wednesday, February 2 nd , 2011	6 - 8 PM
Saturday, February 5 th , 2011	10 AM – 12 Noon

Fayetteville Athletic Association

Registration for the 2011 baseball and softball season will be held at the **Fayetteville Fire Department Social Hall** on the following dates and times:

Saturday, January 22 nd , 2011	10 AM – 12 Noon
Monday, January 24 th , 2011	6 - 8 PM
Saturday, January 29 th , 2011	10 AM – 12 Noon
Monday, January 31 st , 2011	6 - 8 PM

Scotland Youth League

Registration for the 2011 baseball and softball season will be held at the **Scotland Community Center** on the following dates and times:

Monday, January 24 th , 2011	6 - 8 PM
Saturday, January 29 th , 2011	9 AM – 12 Noon
Tuesday, February 8 th , 2011	6 - 8 PM



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