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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY – DIAL 911

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

COMPOSTING FACILITY HOURS

Wednesday & Friday, 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Saturday, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Happy New Year !

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The Greene Township Board of Supervisors and staff hopes everyone had a safe and 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 2016. As always, if you have any questions or issues 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 beginning:

Monday, January 4, 2016



The collection crew will make **ONE PASS** through the Township. Trees must be placed at the edge of your yard **no further than four feet from the edge of the pavement of the road on the first day** of collection. **No return trips** will be made.

Otherwise, our composting facility is open Wednesdays and Fridays, 8 AM – 2 PM and Saturdays, 8 AM – 1 PM.

Winter Weather Advisory

Emergency Notifications

Winter storms and extreme cold are events that fortunately come with advance notice. The National Weather Service (NWS) of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) issues advisories, watches, and warnings for significant accumulations of snow, freezing rain, sleet, or extreme cold. Emergency information is provided through radio and TV broadcasts and via Wireless Emergency Alerts texted to cell phones.

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In 2016, Greene Township proudly begins its 37th year without a Township real estate tax.

Understanding Winter Weather Alerts

Know the terms used to describe changing winter weather conditions and what actions to take. These terms can be used to determine the timeline and severity of an approaching storm.



ADVISORY

The NWS issues a winter weather advisory when conditions are expected to cause significant inconveniences that may be hazardous. If caution is used, these situations should not be life-threatening.



WATCH

The NWS issues a winter storm watch when severe winter conditions, such as heavy snow and/or ice, may affect your area but the location and timing are still uncertain. A winter storm watch is issued 12 to 36 hours in advance of a potential severe storm. Tune in to NOAA Weather Radio, local radio, TV, or other news sources for more information. Monitor alerts, check your emergency supplies, and gather any items you may need if you lose power.



WARNING

The NWS issues a winter storm warning when 4 or more inches of snow or sleet are expected in the next 12 hours, or 6 or more inches in 24 hours, or ¼ inch or more of ice accumulation is expected. The NWS may also issue a warning if the storm is expected to hit during high-traffic times, like rush hour. Stay indoors, and keep warm and dry. Minimize driving.

Key Terms to Understand

Freezing Rain: Rain that freezes when it hits the ground; creating a coating of ice on roads, walkways, trees and power lines.

Sleet: Rain that turns to ice pellets before reaching the ground. Sleet also causes moisture on roads to freeze and become slippery.

Wind Chill: A measure of how cold people feel due to the combined effect of wind and cold temperatures; the Wind Chill Index is based on the rate of heat loss from exposed skin. Both cold temperatures and wind remove heat from the body; as the wind speed increases during cold conditions, a body loses heat more quickly. Eventually, the internal body temperature also falls and hypothermia can develop. Animals also feel the effects of wind chill; but inanimate objects, such as vehicles and buildings, do not. They will only cool to the actual air temperature, although much faster during windy conditions.



For additional information on winter threats and other weather related items visit the National Weather Service website at:

www.weather.gov

Snow Removal Policies



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.

- * **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 the entire width of the roadways and clean intersections. Please remember this policy when clearing driveways and parking areas.
- * **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.
- * **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 or plow 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.**
- * **Is your mailbox ready for winter?** Make sure your mailbox is firmly supported to the post and the post is secured in the ground. You may want to consider the use of reflective tape or other material to make it easier to see during storms or during dark hours. **If your mailbox is located within the limits of the legal right-of-way any damages caused by snow or ice are the responsibility of the property owner.**

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

Office Winter Holiday Closings:

New Year's Eve	December 31, 2015
New Year's Day	January 1, 2016
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	January 18, 2016
Presidents' Day	February 15, 2016
Good Friday	March 25, 2016

Greene Township Park News



Ice Skating Rink. Greene Township will be installing the Ice Skating Rink at the Township Park for your use over the winter months. Use of the rink will be open to the public during normal Park hours only (dawn to dusk). Use will be on a first come first serve basis. No organized events will be permitted at this time. A skate at your own risk policy will be in effect. Proper safety gear should be worn at all times, especially for children. The Township is not responsible for injuries or accidents associated with use of the rink.

The outdoor skating rink is weather and temperature dependent so please visit our website for daily updates and information. There will also be a posted sign at the rink with daily updates. If you have any questions please check our website or contact our office.

Ice Skating Rink Safety Rules

Entering and Exiting the Rink – Always wear ice skates when entering the rink, as the dirt from your shoes can damage both the ice and the blades of other skaters.

While Skating – Always skate in the direction of traffic, which is usually counter-clockwise but which may change midway through a skating session. Don't skate faster than you can control. If you are a new skater, skate close to the boards at the side of the rink so you can stay out of the way of other skaters and also so you can slow or stop quickly if necessary. Keep an eye on the skaters ahead of you, who may not be able to see you coming.

Groups – Avoid skating in groups of more than two people. Never hold hands with more than one other person; creating chains of skaters may be fun, but it is dangerous to new skaters in the chain and to other people on the rink. Never carry another person, especially a child; if you lose your balance or are bumped, both of you may be injured.

Sledding. Do you enjoy sledding but have no place to ride in your neighborhood? Then you're in luck! Our park's numerous hills offer a great place to hit the slopes. So, the next time it snows gather up your friends and family and head to our park for a day of fun.

Pavilions. We are taking reservations for our 3 Picnic Pavilions for 2016. Please call our office to book a date and time. Check out our website for details or call our office with any questions you may have.

Greene Township Tax Collector – Kathy Frazer

For the convenience of Greene Township property owners, I travel to two different locations twice a year to accept payments. For 2016, the dates & times are as follows:

SCOTLAND COMMUNITY CENTER

Tuesday, April 5, 2016 9 AM – 12 Noon

Tuesday, August 2, 2016 9 AM – 12 Noon

FAYETTEVILLE FIRE HALL COMMUNITY BUILDING

Wednesday, April 6, 2016 9 AM – 12 Noon

Wednesday, August 3, 2016 9 AM – 12 Noon

The dates and times are also listed on the insert provided with your real estate bills that you receive each year. Also, thank and support these establishments for allowing me to provide this community service at their locations!

Call my office at 717-264-8674 if you have any questions.

Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department

On November 22, 2015 at 11:59 PM a house fire with entrapment was dispatched by Franklin County 911. Fayetteville Fire Department arrived at 2312 Bodie Island Drive in Greene Township. Volunteer firefighters Jeremy Whitmore and Cole Bumbaugh entered the home and rescued an unconscious male from the second floor hallway. Emergency Medical Technician Abby Frey and Paramedics Andrew Melius and Jesse Weller treated the victim and transported the patient to Chambersburg Hospital. Greene Township commends the personnel that rescued and treated the male patient. Fire Companies that assisted were Franklin Fire Company, New Franklin Fire Department, Letterkenny Fire Department, West End Fire Department, Pleasant Hall Fire Department, Marion Fire Department, Chambersburg Fire Department, Shippensburg Vigilant Hose, and Franklin County Air Unit.

Volunteer emergency responders play a vital role in the community and are needed. If you have the commitment and motivation to make our community a better place, consider volunteering with one of our fire or EMS departments. If interested you can contact Greene Township Emergency Management at 717-263-9160.

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Community Page

Registration for the 2016 Youth Baseball & Softball Seasons

Community Events

Fayetteville Athletic Association

Fayetteville Fire Department Social Hall:

Saturday, Jan. 23rd 9 – 11 am
Monday, Jan. 25th 6 – 8 pm
Saturday, Jan. 30th 9 – 11 am
Monday, Feb. 1st 6 – 8 pm
Saturday, Feb. 6th 9 – 11 am
Monday, Feb. 8th 6 – 8 pm

Scotland Youth League

Scotland Community Center:

Monday, Jan. 18th 6 – 8 pm
Saturday, Jan. 23rd 9 am – Noon
Monday, Feb. 1st 6 – 8 pm
Tuesday, Feb. 9th 6 – 8 pm

Or you may register online at:
www.scotlandyouthleague.com

Greenvillage Youth League

Greenvillage Complex Pavilion:

Saturday, Jan. 16th 10 am – Noon
Thursday, Jan. 21st 6 – 8 pm
Saturday, Jan. 23rd 10 am – Noon
Thursday, Jan. 28th 6 – 8 pm
Saturday, Jan. 30th 10 am – Noon

Guilford Athletic Association

Guilford Sports Complex:

Wednesday, Jan. 27th 6 – 9 pm
Saturday, Jan. 30th 9 am – Noon
Wednesday, Feb. 3rd 6 – 9 pm
Saturday, Feb. 6th 9 am – Noon

Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department

Coach Purse Bingo

Sunday, January 10, 2016
Fayetteville Social Hall
Doors Open at 10:30 am
Meal at 11:00 am to 12:30 pm
Bingo Starts at 1:00 pm
Tickets call 717-352-3131

Scotland Community Center

Bingo is held every Thursday night at the Scotland Community Center. Doors open at 5:00 and the kitchen opens at 5:30. Games begin at 6:45. Contact Gary Smith, Sr. at 717-816-1963 for information.

Rentals. Contact Jim Umbrell at 717-709-0179 for Community Center rentals.

Sign Up

Please visit the [Greene Township Website](http://www.greentownship.org) for additional information on upcoming community events.