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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY – DIAL 911

Happy New Year! 2012

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 2012. 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 during the following dates:

Monday, January 9 – Friday, January 20, 2012

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.



Greene Township Website

If you are looking for an easy and fast way to access Township information, please visit our website.

www.twp.greene.franklin.pa.us

Various Township forms, applications, and instructions are only a few clicks away and are available in printable format. Our Township Road and Zoning Maps are also available online as well as a Community Page with listings of events to be held by non-profit organizations in our community. We update our website regularly so please visit us online for the latest Township information.

In 2012, Greene Township proudly begins its 33rd 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 9 – Friday, April 20, 2012

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. Brush should be no longer than **8 feet** in length. 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.



Pennsylvania State Police

The **Pennsylvania State Police** is encouraging citizens to record and safely store lists of serial numbers and photographs for their valuable items such as electronics and firearms. The few minutes it takes to record the serial number of valuable items that you own increases the likelihood of law enforcement getting your valuables returned to you if they are stolen. Please remember to include the gifts you received over the Holidays.

Scotland Community Center Bingo

Bingo is held every Thursday night at the Scotland Community Center:

- Doors open at 5:00 PM. Games begin at 6:45 PM.
- Half price second Thursday of each month.

There will be a special bingo Saturday, March 31st to benefit the Special Olympics. Contact John Klenzing at 658-1536 for more information.

Hall rentals are filling up so please call Jim Umbrell at 709-0179 if you'd like to book.

Greene Township Ice Skating Rink



Greene Township has installed an **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. If you have any questions please contact the Township Office at 263-9160.

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.

Fall 2011 Bulk Collection Statistics

The Greene Township Board of Supervisors offers their thanks to residents for participation in the Fall 2011 Bulk Collection event. During the two days of the event a total of:

- 712 vehicles transported bulk items to the collection.
- 13.99 tons of scrap metal were separated for recycling.
- 548 tires were collected.
- 700 lbs. of batteries were collected.

Tax Information



From the Desk of Kathy Frazer:

With the continued and uncertain financial problems of the United States Postal Service I have noticed a definite increase in taxpayers claiming they never received their tax notices. Unfortunately, Pennsylvania tax law mandates that real estate owners are responsible for their property tax bills even if they **don't** receive their notice. So to avoid paying any late penalties, I am recommending that real estate owners mark on their calendars each year the dates to expect their bills.

March 1 - County/Township (Street Lights)

July 1 - School

Kathy Frazer, Tax Collector
(717) 264-8674

Composting Facility

The Greene Township yard waste composting facility will continue to be open **Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 8:00 AM until 1:00 PM**. This schedule will continue throughout the year **except on holidays, holiday weekends, or special events such as bulk collection days**. If the compost facility will be closed, signs will be posted at the gates.

The composting facility accepts most types of yard waste except grass clippings. **All material generated by the composting facility is available only to current township residents (photo identification or Greene Township identification sticker will be required) at a cost of \$5.00 per small bucket scoop and \$10.00 per large bucket scoop. No dump truck loads permitted.** At various times during the year, after completing the composting process, leaf compost and bark mulch are available for pick-up. Material is on a first come first served basis. You may stop by the facility on Mickey Inn Road during regular hours to check on availability.

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

Greene Township prohibits ALL open burning of Leaf, Yard and Solid Waste.

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 2012 baseball and softball season will be held at the **Greenvillage Concession Stand** on the following dates and times:

Thursday, Jan. 19 th	6 – 8 pm
Saturday, Jan. 21 st	10 am – 12 pm
Thursday, Jan. 26 th	6 – 8 pm
Saturday, Jan. 28 th	10 am – 12 pm
Saturday, Feb. 4 th	10 am – 12 pm
Thursday, Feb. 9 th	6 – 8 pm
Thursday, Feb. 16 th	6 – 8 pm

Guilford Athletic Association

Registration for the 2012 baseball and softball season will be held at the **Guilford Sports Complex** on the following dates and times:

Wednesday, Jan. 25 th	6 - 8 pm
Saturday, Jan. 28 th	10 am – 12 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 1 st	6 - 8 pm
Saturday, Feb. 4 th	10 am – 12 pm

Fayetteville Athletic Association

Registration for the 2012 baseball and softball season will be held at the **Fayetteville Fire Department Social Hall** on the following dates and times:

Saturday, Jan. 28 th	10 am – 12 pm	returning players only!
Monday, Jan. 30 th	6 - 8 pm	returning & new players
Saturday, Feb. 4 th	10 am – 12 pm	returning & new players
Monday, Feb. 6 th	6 - 8 pm	returning & new players

Scotland Youth League

Registration for the 2012 baseball and softball season will be held at the **Scotland Community Center** on the following dates and times:

Monday, Jan. 23 rd	6 - 8 pm
Saturday, Jan. 28 th	9 am – 12 pm
Tuesday, Feb. 7 th	6 - 8 pm

