

MEDIC SUBSCRIPTIONS

Recently, West Shore Emergency Medical Services (formerly Chambersburg's Medic 1) sent subscription solicitations to areas outside their first due service area. Many areas within Greene Township that received these solicitations are serviced by Fayetteville's Medic 7. If you received one of these solicitations, please be certain you are in West Shore's service area before subscribing. If you are uncertain, please call the Fayetteville Volunteer Fire Department at 352-3131 or West Shore Emergency Medical Services at 267-7186 to verify your first due Advanced Life Support service.

You may request a refund of your subscription to West Shore by calling 267-7186 or in writing to West Shore EMS/Chambersburg Station, P O. Box 427, Chambersburg, PA 17201.

AS YOU CONSIDER YOUR SUMMER PLANS, REMEMBER YOUR POOLS

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 the children and of 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.

Can you identify this picture?

Please submit your response to the Greene Township Board of Supervisors, 1145 Garver Lane, P O Box 215, Scotland, PA 17254-0215. Last month's picture was the old Scotland Schoolhouse on Main Street Scotland. Thank you to Don Toner for being the first to identify last month's picture. 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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