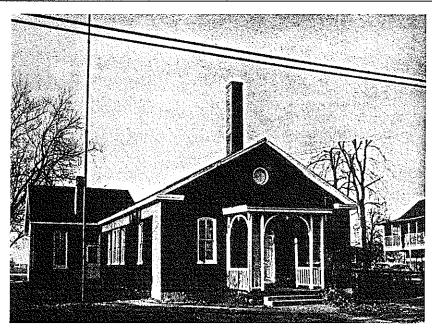
Can You Identify This Picture?



The Sharpes School was pictured in the last issue of the Informer This school closed in 1951. Mrs Miriam Huber was its last teacher 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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New Stop Signs Placed

On May 25th, the Greene Township Board of Supervisors passed ordinances establishing three-way stops at the intersection of White Church and Orchard Roads as well as the intersection of Lincoln Street and Garver Lane. Please be careful when traveling these areas to follow these new traffic control devices.

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Composting Facility New Hours Starting in July

Beginning July 7th, the Greene Township yard waste composting facility will be open Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 8:00a.m. until 1:00p.m. This schedule will continue throughout the summer months and until further notice.

The composting facility accepts most types of yard waste except grass clippings. All material generated by the composting facility is available to township residents at a cost of \$5.00 per pick-up load. 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's 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.

Household Hazardous Waste

The Household Hazardous Waste program has been temporarily discontinued in Franklin County due to lack of state funding. If you have question on how to dispose of hazardous household materials, you may call the DEP's Household Hazardous Waste Hotline at 1-800-346-4242.

Did You Know?

As of July 1st, when the Uniform Construction Code is in effect, you will need a building permit to replace a hot water heater and to replace your roof. You should always check first when doing a home improvement project, but the following are a few of the exceptions to the Code:

- Accessory structures, such as carports, detached garages, greenhouses and sheds if they are less than 500 square feet and is accessory to a single-family dwelling.
- Agricultural buildings.
- Manufactured housing.
- Sidewalks and driveways not more than 30 inches above grade.
- Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops and similar finishing work.
- Some prefabricated swimming pools.
- Swings and other playground equipment accessory to one- or two-family dwellings.
- Window replacement.
- Portable heating appliance.
- Portable ventilation equipment.
- Portable cooling unit.
- Replacement of water closet, lavatory or kitchen sinks.
- Replacement of domestic clothes washers and dishwashers.
- Replacement of a receptacle, switch or lighting fixture rated at 20 amps or less and operating at less than 150 volts.

The Uniform Construction Code is comprehensive. These are samples for informational purposes only. It is imperative that you contact Commonwealth Code Inspection Service (CCIS), 550 Cleveland Avenue, Chambersburg, (717) 262-0081 with any questions when planning a home improvement project. As the Township's Building Code Official, CCIS will answer all questions and complete all inspections for Building Code compliance.

Fall 2004 Bulk Collection

Mark Your Calendar!

Bulk Collection days for fall 2004 have been scheduled for Friday and Saturday, September 17 & 18, 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 again this fall. We will accept up to eight tires per household for disposal this fall. We will only accept standard car or pick-up truck tires. No rims are allowed.

West Nile Virus Update

West Nile virus is a mosquito-borne disease that can cause encephalitis. West Nile virus was first detected in North America in 1999, and in Pennsylvania in 2000. In 2003, it was found in every county in Pennsylvania

Here are some easy tips to eliminate standing water and reduce the number of mosquitoes around your home and neighborhood. Even a small bucket that has stagnant water in it for seven days can become home to up to 1,000 mosquitoes

- Dispose of tin cans, plastic containers, ceramic pots or similar water holding containers that have accumulated on your property.
- Pay special attention to discarded tires that may have accumulated on your property.
- Drill holes in the bottom of recycling containers that are left out of doors
- Clean clogged roof gutters on an annual basis, particularly if the leaves from surrounding trees have a tendency to plug up the drains. Roof gutters are easily overlooked but can produce millions of mosquitoes each season
- Turn over plastic wading pools when not in use. A wading pool becomes a mosquito producer if it is not used on a regular basis.
- Turn over wheelbarrows and do not allow water to stagnate in birdbaths. Both provide breeding habitat for domestic mosquitoes.
- Aerate ornamental pools or stock them with fish. Water gardens are fashionable but become major mosquito producers if they are allowed to stagnate Clean and chlorinate swimming pools that are not being used. A swimming pool that is left untended by a family that goes on vacation for a month can produce enough mosquitoes to result in neighborhood-wide complaints. Be aware that mosquitoes may even breed in the water that collects on swimming pool covers

Visit www.westnile.state.pa.us for more information.

Building Code Update

The Statewide Building Code should be in effect by July 1, 2004 in Greene Township. If you are planning construction after July 1, 2004 and have not applied for a building permit prior to July 1st, you will need to be in compliance with this state law

When you are planning a construction project, you will continue to contact the Greene Township Zoning Office first at 1145 Garver Lane, Scotland, (717) 263-4990. You will begin at our office by applying for a Land Use Permit. Zoning officers will issue a Land Use Permit once all township regulations are met.

After that, you will begin the process of complying with the building code by contacting Commonwealth Code Inspection Service (CCIS), 550 Cleveland Avenue, Chambersburg, (717) 262-0081 As the Township's Building Code Official, CCIS will answer all questions and complete all inspections for Building Code compliance

Municipalities in Franklin County have set up this system in an effort to assist our residents in complying with this state mandate. It is our hope that this process will be seamless and user friendly. We will make every effort to assist you through this process. If at any time you have questions, please contact us at (717) 263-4990 or contact CCIS at (717) 262-0081.

Courtesy of www homesafetycouncil org

According to The State of Home Safety in America^{IM} report, drowning is the fifth leading cause of unintentional injury related death. Drowning is a silent and sudden event, and Home Safety Council research found that many drowning deaths at home are related to swimming pools. Since drowning victims often do not make any noise once in distress, constant supervision around any body of water is critical. Adopt the following guidelines from the Home Safety Council to help keep your pool area safe:

- Install four-sided fencing with self-locking and self-closing gates. Fencing should completely isolate the pool from the home and be at least five feet high. Always keep gates closed and latched. Never prop a gate open or disable the lock.
- Always practice constant, adult supervision around any body of water, including pools and spas. Never leave your child alone or in the care of another child. Remember that regardless of age or skill level, no one is "drown proof." Children should always be supervised by an adult while they are swimming.
- Never swim alone. Even adults should swim with a buddy.
- Learn and practice basic lifesaving techniques, including First Aid and CPR. Insist that anyone who cares for your children learn CPR.
- Keep poolside rescue equipment and a cordless, water resistant telephone close to the pool area. Post emergency numbers and CPR instructions near the pool area.
- Teach children that drains, grates and filters are not toys. Never stick fingers or toes in these openings and stay away from suction devices.
- Always remove toys from the pool area when not in use.
- Post safety rules in a highly visible location. Make sure children are familiar with the rules.
- Keep spas and hot tubs covered and locked when not in use. Completely remove pool and spa covers prior to swimming.
- Stay out of the pool during severe weather and thunderstorms, especially if lightning is forecast or present
- If a child is missing, check the pool area first.