

MANOR UPDATES

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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The Manor Township Police Department along with the Police Departments from East Hempfield Township, Millersville Borough and Millersville University will be participating in National Night Out. The family fun-filled event will be held on Tuesday, August 6th at Leisure Lanes located at 3440 Columbia Avenue from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. There will be police, fire and emergency response displays, games, a dunk tank, face painting, free food & drinks, and much more.

National Night Out is an annual community building campaign that promotes police community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods a safer, better place to live. The Police Departments involved in National Night Out are making this happen by enhancing relationships between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community spirit and providing a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. We hope to see you there.



TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2019
6:00 - 8:00 PM
LEISURE LANES PARKING LOT

POLLUTANT REDUCTION PLAN

A part of the Clean Water Act requires Manor Township to submit a Pollutant Reduction Plan. The goal of this plan is to reduce 10% of sediment, a reduction of phosphorus by 5%, and a 3% reduction of nitrogen in the urbanized areas of Manor Township.

The Department of Environmental Protection has identified impaired waters in Manor Township. These waters are: Stamans Run, Witmers Run, Little Conestoga Creek, West Branch Little Conestoga, and unnamed tributaries to the Conestoga River.

To achieve the goal of the reductions required, Manor Township has begun a five-year plan to convert existing detention basins into bioretention basins. These basins will release storm water at a slower rate than they currently drain. When the rate of discharge is reduced, contaminants and sediment are removed from the water that is discharged into the streams.

The 2019 project for converting the current basin into a bio retention basin is located on Township property along Williamsburg Road. Testing of the rate of infiltration has occurred this spring to verify the potential of this project. The Township's Public Works Department will remove 18 inches of soil from the bottom of this basin and replace it with a mixture of leaf compost and sand.

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WE MOVED

After composting leaves at our former location at 2783 Charlestown Road for 28 years, the Township has relocated our leaf composting operations to our new site which is located at 2996 Charlestown Road. The new site can be found at the corner of Charlestown Road and Donerville Road.

The new site is for leaf composting only. This operation does not include woody materials, bush trimmings, grass clippings, or ornamental grass. Leaves may only be disposed at the site on designated days, which are posted on the Township website. Unauthorized dumping is prohibited. All other yard waste may be disposed at the Frey Farm Landfill for free with an approved permit that is issued by Manor Township. Please contact our office about this service for Manor Township residents.



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WHY ISN'T RECYCLING FREE?



It's important to understand recycling always had a cost. This cost is factored into the fee households are charged for collection of recycling and disposal of trash.

For many years, the recycling fee was very low because of robust markets for recyclable commodities. However, due to the global recycling crisis, the cost of recycling has recently increased. This is primarily driven by lower prices that MRFs receive for selling recycled commodities to manufacturers.

To keep recycling sustainable in Lancaster County, the fee for curbside recycling must increase* to cover the rising costs of transportation and processing, combined with low market prices.

WHY WE ALL NEED TO RECYCLE RIGHT!

1. It's good for the environment. Recycling reduces the need for raw materials and uses less energy, therefore, helps preserve natural resources.
2. It's the law. Under Act 101, most PA residents are required to recycle.

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*This is a pass-through cost LCSWMA pays to our local MRF.

ZONING CORNER

Grass & Weeds Ordinance



Manor Township has a Grass & Weeds Ordinance that requires every person owning or occupying any property in the Township upon which grass or weeds in excess of six inches (6") in height, MUST cut grass or weeds on or before the 1st of each month from May to October of each year. Exceptions include trees, shrubs, flower beds, gardens, vegetables, seasonal and ornamental grasses, wetlands, woodland areas within fifteen feet (15') of a stream or pond and land cultivated in crop production.

If you own property in the Township, make sure the grass and weeds on your property are mowed on a regular basis. If you have any questions, contact the Township office at 717-397-4769.

Zoning/Building Permits

Permits are required before beginning all construction within the Township. Zoning Permits are issued to ensure compliance with the Zoning Ordinance and Building Permits are issued to ensure compliance with the Uniform Construction Code (Pennsylvania State Construction Code). Also, please check if you have any deed restrictions and also check with your Home-Owners Association before applying for a permit, if applicable.

The cost of a zoning or building permit is determined according to the total value of the construction or improvement. **Permit applications are available at the Township office or website at: www.manortwp.org.** Typically, permit turnaround time is two weeks or less, so plan accordingly.

Items Not Permitted in the Right-of-Way

Homeowners often have limited space to store materials on their property.



Although it may be a convenient spot to deliver items, storing or staging materials on the public street is NOT permitted. Even if it's just for a couple of hours or for a day or two, the Township does not permit dumpsters, piles of mulch, stones, soil, or other materials to be placed on the street or in the right-of-way.

FUN FACT

Test your knowledge of Manor Township by trying to identify where the photo below is in Manor Township. The answer can be found on pg. 6.





SECURITY CAMERA REGISTRY

Do you want to know “what is going on” here in Manor Township when it comes to your Police Department? Knowing what’s going on is quite easy. If you have Facebook, you can “like” or “follow” us on Facebook. We also have what many would call a high-tech police blotter called Crimewatch that keeps you informed of arrests, special events and timely information. To find Crimewatch, simply Google “Manor Township Police Department Crimewatch” and sign up or use the following link <https://lancaster.crimewatchpa.com/manorpd>.

Do you want to know how you can help us solve crime without leaving the comfort of your home? The answer is also quite easy, register your security camera or doorbell surveillance system with us. Registering your camera DOES NOT mean the police can watch what is going on at your house at any second and does not give us the ability to remotely access your camera. Registering your camera merely lets us know you have cameras on your property and are willing to assist, in the event a crime takes place in your neighborhood and police are looking for video footage of the event, suspect(s) or suspect vehicle(s). Registering your camera will assist in streamlining the investigative process for Patrol Officers and Detectives.



If you are interested in helping fight crime, simply go to our Crimewatch page, click on the forms button and click on camera registry.

CARFAX Crash Reports

The Manor Township Police Department has joined with numerous other police departments in Lancaster County and throughout the nation in making our accident reports available through Crashdoc.org, which is powered by CARFAX.

Now, if you’re involved in an auto accident and the crash investigation is completed by a Manor Township Police Officer, approximately twenty-four hours later your crash report should be available at www.Crashdoc.org. Once you go to the webpage, you select Pennsylvania in the state menu and Manor Township Police Department in the agency pulldown menu. Click the find report button and then enter your email, then either a driver or involved parties last name in the next block, date of accident and report number in the respective blocks and hit the search button. The only cost is the \$15 fee that is normally charged for an accident report.

USE OF HEADLAMPS

The PA Vehicle Code requires the use of headlamps when the vehicle’s windshield wipers are in continuous or intermittent use. Frequently you see vehicles operating in the rain with their wipers in use, but the headlamps are NOT activated. This could be you if you are relying on your automatic headlamps to come on during these conditions. Most newer model vehicles are now equipped with this feature which relies on a sensor to activate the headlamps. A quick tip on how to check this is if you activate your high beams and your indicator lights up your headlamps are on, if it doesn’t, they are not. If they are not on you will have to turn your switch from automatic to manual.



Approaching Emergency Vehicles

The duty of a driver on approach of emergency vehicle subsection 3325 of the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code (PAVC), Title 75 reads “(a) General rule. – Upon the immediate approach of an emergency vehicle making use of an audible signal and visual signals meeting the requirement and standards set forth in regulations adopted by the department, the driver of every other vehicle shall immediately drive to a position parallel to, and as close as possible to the right-hand edge or curb of the roadway clear of any intersection and shall stop and remain in that position until the emergency vehicle has passed, except when otherwise directed by a police officer or an appropriately attired person authorized to direct, control or regulate traffic. On one-way roadways a driver may comply by driving to the edge or curb which is nearest to the lane in which he is traveling.”

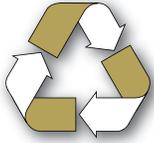


This subsection, in a nut shell, means when you see a police vehicle, fire apparatus, or ambulance, the driver of a vehicle must pull over to the right, stop and let them pass. The life they are going to try and save may be from your family. The fine for violating this subsection of the PAVC is \$25 if convicted, but the total cost with surcharge, court, and other costs is \$142.50.

We appreciate your compliance with this because this saves lives and reduces the chances of police officers, firefighters, and EMS workers getting hurt while performing their jobs.

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Board of Supervisors**

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Full details of all programs can be found at www.manortwp.org or by calling 717-397-4769.

Pollutant Reduction Plan

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Once the new material is placed, tall grasses will be planted in the bottom of the basin. The grass will help to reduce the velocity of the incoming runoff and filter sediment.

As a homeowner, you too can help to improve water quality. Never dump anything into storm drains. These drains are designed for rainwater only. Anything other than storm water is considered an illicit discharge. Research has indicated that 40% of do it yourself oil changes are poured onto roads, driveways, yards or into storm drains. Anything dumped into a drain will lead to a stream. Other examples of illicit discharges are: paint, spilled chemicals, antifreeze, construction materials, pet waste, yard waste, septic tank seepage, and swimming pool water.



**BLUE ROCK FIRE RESCUE
NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

Blue Rock Fire Rescue is in need of volunteers to help in numerous capacities including firefighters, administrative help, fire police, technical rescue, collapse rescue and water rescue. If you would like to help, please stop by any of the following fire stations to pick up an application. Our stations are located at:

- Station 1** (West Lancaster) 1697 Temple Avenue, Lancaster
- Station 3** (Highville)..... 3079 River Road, Conestoga
- Station 5** (Millersville) 26 E. Charlotte Street, Millersville
- Station 7** (Washington Boro) 11 Charlestown Road, Washington Boro

We provide our members with the very best fire protective gear and insurance and we pay for all of their training. Our modern fleet of vehicles includes 4 pumpers, 1 rescue pumper, 1 heavy rescue, 3 tankers, 6 squads, 3 boats, 2 collapse rescue vehicles, 2 special operations trailers, an ATV and several other small multi-purpose vehicles.



**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL
717-872-9345 OR VISIT US ONLINE
AT www.bluerockfire.com**

FUN FACT ANSWER

South Centerville Relocation 1988 – Stone Creek Road next to farmhouse in Woods Edge.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Tuesday, August 6th**..... National Night Out
- Monday, September 2**..... Offices Closed