

MANOR UPDATES

NEWSLETTER For the Residents of Manor Township

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ZONING CORNER

Temporary Yard Signs

Manor Township would like to remind residents and business owners that there are zoning regulations for temporary signs as defined in the Manor Township Zoning Ordinance. Included in these regulations are contractor signs, election signs, yard sale signs, open house signs, special event signs, and other similar uses. Temporary signs do not require a Zoning Permit but there are size, location, and time-frame regulations that apply. Temporary signs are not permitted to be attached to any public utility pole or posted in the public right-of-way, including any intersection. If signs are placed in any of these areas, Township staff will promptly remove them. These regulations are meant to assure the safety and security of Township residents and uphold the aesthetics of the community. Please contact the Township Zoning Officer before posting any sign. Thank you for your cooperation.



Anonymous Complaints

Manor Township receives frequent calls, letters, emails, and verbal complaints about possible Zoning Ordinance violations within the Township. Among these are anonymous complaints staff will NOT investigate.

In order to submit a complaint, one must provide the address of the property with the alleged violation. In addition, complaints that are mailed in or delivered to our Township office must be signed and include your name, address, and phone number. This information is not shared outside of our office.

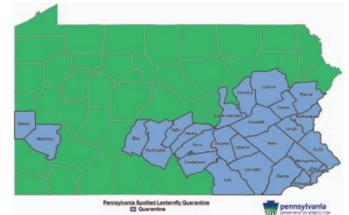


SPOTTED LANTERNFLY ALERT

The Spotted Lanternfly is an invasive species native to China, Bangladesh, and Vietnam. In 2014 it was found in Pennsylvania, and has since spread to 26 counties which are now quarantined.

If you see a Spotted Lanternfly, it's imperative to immediately report it online or via phone by calling **1-888-4BADFLY**. Especially if you are not inside the quarantine zone.

What else? Kill it! Squash it, smash it... just get rid of it. In the fall, these bugs will lay egg masses with 30-50 eggs each. These are called bad bugs for a reason, don't let them take over your county next.



WHY?

The Spotted Lanternfly causes serious damage in trees including oozing sap, wilting, leaf curling, and tree dieback. In addition to tree damage, when spotted lanternflies feed, they excrete a sugary substance, called honeydew, that encourages the growth of black sooty mold. This mold is harmless to people, however it causes damage to plants. In counties infested and quarantined for Spotted Lanternfly, residents report hundreds of these bad bugs that affect their quality of life and ability to enjoy the outdoors during the spring and summer months. Spotted Lanternflies will cover trees, swarm in the air, and their honeydew can coat decks and play equipment.



In addition to damaging trees and affecting quality of life, the Spotted Lanternfly is a huge threat to Pennsylvania agriculture industry. They threaten billions of economic impact and hundreds of thousands of jobs for those in the grapes, apple, hops, and hardwood industries.

IDENTIFICATION:

The Spotted Lanternfly adult is approximately 1" long and 1/2" wide at rest. The forewing is grey with black spots and the wings tips are reticulated black blocks outlined in grey. The hind wings have contrasting patches of red and black with a white band. The legs and head are black; the abdomen is yellow with broad black bands. Immature stages are black with white spots, and develop red patches as they grow.



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SCHOOL BUS SAFETY FOR CHILDREN



School bus safety is a high priority in Manor Township. Everybody, including students, parents, and motorists, need to work together to ensure that our children travel safely on their school buses. PennDOT provides a few basic safety tips that students should be aware of to stay safe during their trip:

- Get to the bus stop early, so you don't have to run.
- Stay back from the edge of the road.
- If you miss the bus, DO NOT run after it!
- No pushing when getting on or off the bus.
- Never cross behind the bus.
- Cross at least ten feet in front of the bus so the driver can see you.
- Never cross the street until ALL traffic has stopped.
- Always stay seated when the bus is moving.
- DO NOT distract the driver.
- Never play with emergency exits.
- In an emergency, follow the directions of the driver.
- Ensure that there are no loose strings or objects on you that can get caught on the door or handrail.
- If you drop something outside of the bus, do not go back for it. The driver may not see you and begin moving the bus.



The Cookie Nook

CHOCOLATE CRINKLES

~ Perfect for Fall ~

Ingredients:

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| 1/2 C vegetable oil | 2 tsp. vanilla |
| 2 C sugar | 2 C flour |
| 4 squares of chocolate (<i>melted</i>) | 2 tsp. baking powder |
| or substitute 3 T cocoa and | 1/2 tsp. salt |
| 1 T oil for each square | 1/4 C 10X sugar for coating |
| 4 large eggs | |

Directions:

1. Heat oven to 350°. Spray cookie sheets with nonstick cooking spray or line them with parchment paper.
2. Mix oil, sugar and chocolate (melt squares). Add eggs one at a time, then vanilla. Next add dry ingredients. Mix well and chill several hours or overnight.
3. Roll into 1" balls, then roll in 10X Sugar. Place about 2" apart on prepared baking sheets. Bake for 10 minutes.

Recipe Courtesy of Sue Miller

If you would like to share a recipe that could be chosen to appear in our newsletter, please email complete recipe along with your name to AKautz@manortwp.org.

Leaf Collection



During the fall of 2019, the Manor Township Public Works Department collected 249 truckloads of leaves, that weighed over 500 tons. Curbside collection for 2020 is scheduled to begin the week of October 19, 2020.

Residents can check for daily leaf collection information on the Township's website at www.manortwp.org. Curbside collection typically concludes the first full week of December.

Residents who live along Millersville Road and Columbia Avenue will receive leaf collection on the following weeks: October 26th, November 9th and 23rd, and December 7th.

Each year we remind our residents to follow these simple guidelines.

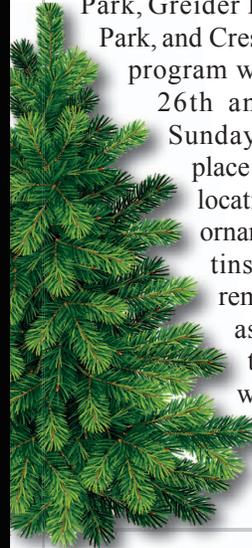
- Leaves must be placed in a row along the edge of the street.
- Leaves must be loose and not bagged for collection.
- Tree branches, bush trimmings, plants, grass clippings, and ornamental grass are prohibited and will not be accepted.
- Leaves must be accessible to the collection crew.
- Leaves that are obstructed by parked vehicles will not be collected.
- Leaves must not be placed on storm water drains. Residents are encouraged to help to keep streets from flooding by keeping storm drains open so storm water can drain into the collection system.

Township residents not serviced by curbside collection may bring their leaves to the Township's Leaf Compost Facility for free disposal, Monday thru Wednesday between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., starting on October 19th and continuing until December 9th.

LEAF COLLECTION BEGINS OCTOBER 19TH

Christmas Tree RECYCLING

In 2020, Manor Township recycled 765 Christmas Trees. For your convenience you may dispose of your Christmas tree at any of our four drop-off locations. There is no charge for this service for Manor Township residents. Drop-off locations are identified at Charlestown Park, Greider Park, Washington Boro Park, and Creswell Park. The drop-off program will begin on December 26th and be available until Sunday, January 24, 2021. To place your tree at one of these locations, they must be free of ornaments, lights, stands, and tinsel. You are required to remove plastic bags as well as covers and dispose of them properly. The trees will be chipped into mulch, which is utilized in the Township's parks.



For current Township information, be sure to visit our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/manortownship

FALL COMPOST DATES & TIMES

The Township not only composts Manor's leaves at our facility, which is located at 2783 Charlestown Road, we receive leaves from neighboring Township's and Boroughs.

Once leaves are brought to the site they are placed in rows for composting. Naturally occurring microorganisms found on leaves are primarily responsible for the composting of leaves. However, there are several other factors that affect the rate of composting – temperature, moisture, and air. Moisture is regularly monitored and maintained. The rows are turned based on the temperature of the leaves, allowing more oxygen through the piles, which is necessary for decomposition. Typically, leaves are finished composting in ten months.

Once composting is complete, the compost is screened to remove any objects that have not been composted. The compost is known for its high quality, as customers from all over Lancaster County come to purchase the finished product.

The Township does offer the compost for sale to the general public at a cost of \$10 per cubic yard. The site will be open to the public from 9:00 a.m. to noon on the following Saturday's: October 3rd and 24th, November 7th and 21st, and December 5th.





PROJECT LIFESAVER

As a reminder, the Manor Township Police Department has joined several other surrounding police agencies in the western part of the county in implementing Project Lifesaver®. About eleven years ago, the Pilot Club of Lancaster, Inc. (a service club) approached the County Chiefs Association and Lancaster County Emergency Management about bringing Project Lifesaver® to Lancaster County.

In brief, Project Lifesaver® is an emergency response program for individuals who are “at-risk” to wander; individuals with Alzheimer’s, Dementia, Autism and other cognitive challenges. The Pilot Club administers the program by placing a transmitter about the size of a wrist watch on the client’s wrist or ankle and if the individual wanders, specially trained officers use receivers/antennae to track and to locate the individual. Within the areas that these departments serve, there are currently numerous individuals enrolled. The entire program, with the exception of the time for officer training, has been funded through the Pilot Club.

The Pilot Club funds the program through fundraisers, grants and donations. Below is the link to Project Lifesaver® International <http://www.projectlifesaver.org>. For additional information please check out the site.

INATTENTIVE DRIVING

Drivers today are faced with more distractions than ever before. Cell phones, iPods, text messaging, and fancy dashboard displays are causing drivers to take their eyes off of the road and concentrate on something other than what they should be - driving an automobile. The instant it took to dial that number on your cell could be the instant you needed to notice a child running out into the road. The moment it took to look at the map display on your dashboard could be the moment the car in front of you decides to stop. These are small amounts of time, but people are injured and killed every day in crashes that occurred as the result of short periods of inattentiveness. Driving requires your undivided attention to the task at hand. Please pay attention to what is occurring outside of your car, and save the tasks not related to driving for later. *Drive safely and buckle up!*



MOVE OVER LAW

Do you know Subsection 3327 of the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code (PAVC), Title 75? This subsection is named Duty of driver in emergency response area and is better known as the “Move Over Law.” It reads (a) General rule. - When approaching or passing an emergency response area, a person, unless otherwise directed by an emergency responder, shall; (1) pass in a lane not adjacent to that of the emergency area if possible; or (2) if passing in a non-adjacent lane is impossible, illegal or unsafe, pass the emergency response area at a careful and prudent speed reasonable for safely passing the emergency response area. The fine for violating this subsection of the PAVC is \$250 if convicted and the person convicted shall also serve a 90 day suspension of their operating privileges/license. An emergency response area is any place that is marked with flares, caution sign or visual signals on vehicles meeting the requirements of subchapter D of chapter 45.

This subsection in a nutshell means when you see a police vehicle, fire apparatus, ambulance, tow trucks or highway maintenance vehicles with their lights operating, the driver of a vehicle must slow down and pass the vehicle in another lane. If a driver does not comply with this, they could be sentenced to pay \$250 and their license will be suspended for 90 days for their first offense and more for a second or subsequent offenses. Additionally, fines are doubled for a number of offenses that occur within an emergency response area.

We appreciate your compliance with this because this saves lives and reduces the chances of police officers, fire fighters, EMS tow truck operators and highway workers getting hit while performing their job or volunteering. Responders are being struck and killed at traffic incidents in the United States on average: 5 firefighters each year, 1 Law Enforcement Officer each month, and 1 tow truck driver each week.



Due To COVID-19
NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
Has Been Cancelled for 2020 But
We Plan On Having It In 2021

REMINDER REGARDING JUNIOR DRIVER'S LICENSES

For persons 16 or 17 years of age, Junior Driver's licenses are valid between 5:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m., unless accompanied by a spouse 18 years of age or older, parent, or legal guardian. There are exceptions for employment and members of a fire department, etc. but the Junior Driver must have an affidavit or certificate of authorization signed by their employer, supervisor or fire chief indicating their work or school schedule.

A Junior Driver must wear a seat belt at all times. Failure to do so is now a primary violation for drivers under 18. It is also their responsibility to make sure ALL passengers are seat belted. If an unbelted passenger is under 18, the Junior Driver may be cited.

In the first six months, a Junior Driver may only carry one additional passenger, unless the additional passenger is an immediate family member (brother, sister, step-brother or step-sister, foster brother or sister). This provision does not apply if the Junior Driver is accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. After the first six months, a Junior Driver can only carry three non-family members until their 18th birthday.



CHANGE YOUR CLOCK, CHANGE YOUR BATTERY

Daylight savings time ends Sunday, November 1st. The International Association of Fire Chiefs reminds you to change and test the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. This one easy step can help save your life and the life of others around you. Everyone is encouraged to use the extra hour they "gain" from daylight savings time to also remind their friends and family to do the same.



NOVEMBER 1, 2020 - DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

When local daylight time is about to reach 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, November 1, 2020, clocks are turned backward 1 hour to 1:00 a.m. local standard time instead.

Halloween Safety

While Halloween is on Saturday 31st this year, trick-or-treat night will be on Friday, October 30th, pending COVID-19 limitations. Please remember the following safety tips:

COSTUME SAFETY

- Make sure costumes fit so that children can easily walk without tripping.
- Wigs and beards should be properly attached so they do not obscure vision.
- Use light colors, decals or reflective tape so children are visible to motorists at night.
- Buy flame resistant costumes or make them from flame resistant materials.
- Make sure you can see well through masks.
- Use make-up instead of a mask.

STREET SAFETY

- Walk on sidewalks. If there is no sidewalk, walk on the left side of road, facing traffic.
- Cross streets at an intersection or crosswalk.
- Wait for proper traffic signals to cross.
- Avoid running out between parked cars.
- If riding a bike, it should have reflectors, a headlight and a horn or bell.

TRICK-OR-TREATING

- Save candy until you get home so that it can be checked before eating.
- Have parents or a responsible adult examine ALL CANDY / TREATS.
- Wash fruit and slice it into small pieces, checking it for anything inedible.
- Report any suspicious treats to the police.
- Don't go into anyone's house unless you know them.
- Trick-or-treat in groups and with parents accompanying young children.

Be Safe & Have Fun!

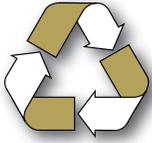
TRICK-OR-TREAT NIGHT

**Friday, October 30th
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
for Manor Township**



**Manor Township
Board of Supervisors**

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MANOR TOWNSHIP'S UPCOMING PROGRAMMING

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



Holiday Hours

The office will be closed on the following dates:

Monday, October 12th
Columbus Day

**Thursday, November 26th and
Friday, November 27th**
Thanksgiving

Friday, December 25th
Christmas Day

Friday, December 31st
New Year's Day

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Each December, Manor Township mails out complimentary calendars to all interested residents, which contain important municipal information and dates for the upcoming year. If you currently do not receive one and would like to, please contact the Township office at 717-397-4769 or AKautz@manortwp.org to be added to the mailing list.



SNOW REMOVAL

As winter approaches, please remember the following tips help allow our operators to be as efficient as possible:

- DO NOT push or throw snow into the roadway at anytime. This creates hazardous driving conditions and is a violation of both State and Township law. Violators can be prosecuted.
- Make sure your mailbox is secured tightly on a sturdy post. Damage caused by plowed snow is the property owner's responsibility.
- Manor Township does not have a snow removal ordinance for sidewalks. However, residents are encouraged to clear snow and ice from walks after plowing is completed.
- If you must drive, do so at a minimal speed and give the snow plow operators plenty of room to do their work. Remember, if you cannot see the mirrors of our truck, our drivers cannot see you.
- Vehicles should be removed from the street so that operators can plow from curb to curb. This allows melting snow to enter the drainage system and not pond and refreeze on the road.
- Plowing cul-de-sacs can become more difficult when vehicles are parked on the street, due to limited space for snow to be pushed.
- Place one or two stakes along the edge of your property to help the snow plow operator distinguish where the edge of the road and lawn meet. The Township will not repair lawns damaged by snow plows if the lawns are not marked.