

MANOR UPDATES

NEWSLETTER

For the

Residents of Manor Township

SPRING 2022

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SUMMER PLAYGROUND IN THE PARK

Manor Township is proud and excited to offer a fun filled summer day program at Charlestown Park, Greider Park, and Washington Boro Park. Open to children entering 1st - 6th grade. The drop-in program takes place Monday - Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and offers excellent counselors that engage children in a wide variety of activities, crafts, games, and field trips in a safe organized setting.

Brochures with a registration form and additional information will be available in April as well as on the Township website at www.manortwp.org. Discounts will be given to those that register in May.



HIRING NOW!

Manor Township is hiring Summer Playground Counselors. This is a full time, 9-week, seasonal position over the summer working with children in 1st - 6th grade. Applicants must be 18 years old and enjoy an outdoor environment focused on children in the community. Candidates should apply at Manor Township or send a resume to manager@manortwp.org.

23rd Annual



COUNTRY CLASSIC 2022

Lace up those running shoes and gear up for the annual **Turkey Hill Country Classic**. In its 23rd year since inception, there will be three different running events to choose from including a 5K Run/Jog/Walk, 10K Run and Half Marathon. All event registrants will receive a race number and t-shirt (while supplies last).



The event takes place on **Saturday, May 7th** at Central Manor Church located at 387 Penn Street, Washington Boro.

Medals will be given to the top three male and female finishers in seven different age categories for all three running events. A chip timing system will once again be used to secure the most precise results. For more information or to register for any of these events, visit: www.manortwp.org.

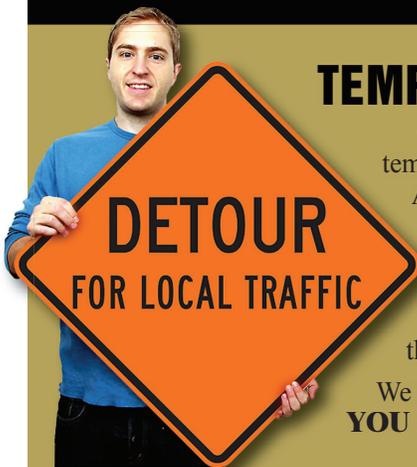


**5K RUN/JOG/WALK ■ 10K RUN
HALF MARATHON**

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES

On Saturday, May 7th, residents can expect temporary road closures and delays on Blue Rock, Anchor, Hostetter, Prospect, Gamber, and River Roads due to the 23rd Annual Turkey Hill Country Classic. Drivers can also expect a higher level of pedestrian and bicycle traffic in the Central Manor area during this time as well, so please **DRIVE SAFELY**.

We apologize for any inconvenience and **THANK YOU** in advance for your cooperation.



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MANOR TOWNSHIP TRAFFIC COMMISSION

The Manor Township Traffic Commission consists of a Township Supervisor, Director of Public Works and the Chief of Police. This Commission meets once a month as business dictates. Meetings, when held, are on the last Wednesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. in the Township meeting room. Check out the Township website at www.manortwp.org to see when the next meeting will be held.

Questions or concerns regarding traffic regulations and safety are reviewed by the Commission at their monthly meeting. The Traffic Commission, with concurrence by the Board of Supervisors, has the authority to regulate the flow and speed of traffic and parking within Manor Township as permitted by Department of Transportation regulations.

If you have a request or concern for the Traffic Commission, please email Michelle, the Commission Secretary, at msmith@manortwp.org. Michelle will ensure it is delivered to Commission members. Please be as detailed as possible with your request or concern. Make sure you give your name, email (if you have one), contact phone number and an address.

Below are some comments on traffic questions, concerns and complaints that we cannot assist with:

Q. “Can’t you do something about drivers that are cutting through our neighborhood and using our roads as a shortcut?”

A. No, because it is not illegal and there is nothing we can or will do about it. Drivers are allowed to drive on any and every public roadway in the Commonwealth.

Q. “Why can’t you just place speed bumps on the roadways?”

A. Because speed bumps are illegal and cannot be placed on public roadways.

Q. “Why don’t you just install more stops sign to control speeders?”

A. Because it is illegal to post a stop sign for speed enforcement. In the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, which is the Commonwealth’s governing manual for sign placement, it states in section 2B.05 that “stops signs should not be used for speed control.” It further states that “vehicular volume counts, sight distances, crash data analysis and vehicle delay estimates should be used to properly evaluate proper sign placement.”

Employee Spotlight

Dawson Funk and Chet Trout are the newest additions to the Manor Township Public Works Department. Both Dawson and Chet are lifelong residents of Manor.

Dawson grew up along Anchor Road, and is the youngest of one brother, and two sisters. As a lifelong resident, he really finds satisfaction in serving the community he calls home. In his free time he enjoys hunting and backpacking. One of his most memorable backpacking experiences has been exploring Glacier National Park.

Chet comes to Manor Township with a history of serving our community by being a member of our fire company. Chet and his wife are the parents of four daughters who hope to visit Disney World for a family vacation in the near future.

Both Chet and Dawson have expressed what a privilege it is to work with their fellow co-workers, and also work for the township they call home.



ILLICIT DISCHARGE

More than 2,200 catch basins are located throughout Manor Township and are designed to collect storm water run-off that is then piped, and released into drainage easements. These drains are not to be used for disposal of unwanted items such as motor oil, paint, concrete, stones, soapy water, or organic matter since they will eventually reach the waters of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Disposal of any items into storm water facilities is strictly prohibited. Swimming pool water is also prohibited from being drained into storm water systems. Citizens are encouraged to report any illicit discharges into storm water facilities at 717-397-4769.



A Special Thank You!

At their December 6, 2021 meeting the Board of Supervisors recognized Jay Breneman for his dedicated service to the Township. His term of office as Supervisor ended in 2021.

Jay has served on the Manor Township Board of Supervisors for 18 years. He also served on the Blue Rock Fire Rescue Board, as well. When you see Jay, please take a moment to thank him for his community minded spirit and outstanding service to Manor Township.



The Cookie Nook

CHOCOLATE CRINKLES

Ingredients:

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| 1/2 C vegetable oil | 2 tsp. vanilla |
| 4 squares (4 oz.) unsweetened bakers' chocolate | 2 C flour |
| 2 C granulated sugar | 2 tsp. baking powder |
| 4 large eggs | 1/2 tsp. salt |
| | 1 C powdered sugar |

Directions:

1. Melt chocolate, mix with vegetable oil, vanilla and granulated sugar. Blend in one egg at a time until well mixed. Add remaining ingredients, except for powdered sugar, stir and chill in refrigerator for several hours or overnight.
2. Heat oven to 350°. Shape dough into balls and roll in powdered sugar. Place 2" apart on a greased cookie sheet. Bake for 10-12 minutes.

Recipe Courtesy of Debra Jones

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.

WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The Township would like to welcome two new Board Members who have volunteered their time; Missy Phelan - Supervisor and Jeff Klugh - Zoning Hearing Board & Board of Auditors. Come meet Missy, Jeff and our other Board Members on the first Monday or Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. during a Supervisors or Zoning Hearing meeting.

SPRING COMPOST



Now that spring is upon us, many home gardeners are ready to work in their vegetable and flower gardens. Adding compost to gardens has been proven to enhance the soil. Our repeat customers who come from all over Lancaster and York counties have commented that incorporating compost into their gardens helps to keep the soil loose and enhances the ability to retain moisture.



Compost may be purchased at the Manor Township Compost Facility, which is located at 2996 Charlestown Road near the intersection of Donerville Road. The cost of compost is \$15 per cubic yard on the scheduled dates below.

SATURDAY'S: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**March 26th ■ April 9th & 23rd
May 14th**

WEDNESDAY'S: 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

April 6th ■ May 4th

Township Website

Visit our Township website for up-to-date information on important upcoming meetings and events at



www.manortwp.org

Due to the Half Marathon, the Enola Low Grade Rail Trail will be closed from dawn - 11:00 a.m. on May 7th.

STRAY DOGS

This is a reminder that residents should contact the Manor Township Police Department if they have a stray dog in custody or see a stray dog in their neighborhood. The Police Department will, as time permits, pick up any stray dog in custody. Additionally, if you have lost your dog make sure you contact the Police Department, because we may already have them, or someone may contact us that has your dog. Make sure that you check out ours and the neighboring police departments Crimewatch websites.

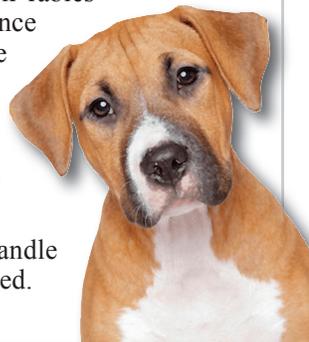
Once a stray dog is in custody an officer attempts to identify the dog either by its license or collars tags. If none is available, the dog is scanned for a microchip. If the dog is identified by any of these methods, it is returned to the owner with no charge. If the owner cannot be located, the dog is transported to the Township's kennels and kept for a minimum of 48 hours (usually 72 or more). The dog's owner is charged a \$50 fee and \$10 a day boarding fee. Anytime a dog is taken to the kennels a minimum fee of \$60 is required for the release of the dog along with a current license and rabies vaccination.

The Township Police Department notifies the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (PSPCA) and if the dog's owner contacts them the owner is referred to the Manor Township Police Department to retrieve the dog. Additionally, we post on social media that we have a stray dog. If the dog's owner is not located after 48-72 hours, then the dog is placed up for adoption through the Pet Pantry, breed specific rescues or as a last resort taken to the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. The exception to this is hurt or dangerous dogs are taken right away to either a vet, rescue or PSPCA.

Residents are reminded that the PSPCA will not accept dogs without prior Police Department authorization, unless the resident is willing to pay the surrender fee.

The Police Department reminds dog owners to make sure that their pets are secured with a leash when they are off their property. Additionally, make sure that your dog is licensed and up to date with their rabies vaccination each year, because, beside the inconvenience of looking for your lost dog and the fee imposed by the Township for handling your lost dog you may be cited under the dog law for not having a current dog license and/or letting your dog run at large. These charges carry fines that range from \$50 up to \$300 and \$100 up to \$500.00 respectively, plus court costs.

One last reminder, the Police Department does not handle cats. They are feral animals and as such are not regulated.



ANIMAL CRUELTY IS A CRIME

To report suspected animal abuse, neglect or abandonment, contact:

The local municipal police department where the incident occurred

OR

Pennsylvania State Police at 717-299-7650

OR

Lancaster County Animal Coalition at Lcachpo@gmail.com

OR

The Lancaster County District Attorney's tipline at Animalabuse@co.lancaster.pa.us

IMPORTANT: Abuse in progress should be reported to respective police departments. The tipline does not offer immediate assistance or response.

Also, general complaints about a shelter or rescue group should not be sent to the tipline. (Tips can be made anonymously.)

The Pennsylvania SPCA also has a tipline: Cruelty@pspca.org.

For tips involving large animals, contact LAPS (Large Animal Protection Society) at lapsa@hotmail.com or 610-869-9880.

If this is an emergency (active crime being committed), please dial 911.

Manor Township Residents May Dispose of Medications Safely and Easily

Compass Mark, a nonprofit addiction prevention organization in Lancaster is distributing DeTerra medication disposal bags free of charge to residents of Lancaster County, Pa. and are available at the Manor Township Police Department.

Keeping unused and expired medications in your cabinet can lead to misuse or accidental ingestion. The newest option for the disposal of unused or expired medications are medication disposal bags which you can place into your trash.

Each bag contains a small pouch of carbon compound. Unwanted medications are placed in the bag and warm water is added. The water works to dissolve an inner pod, releasing the activated carbon. This disposal process works on pills, patches and liquids allowing them to be absorbed by the carbon and rendering them inert and non-retrievable.

Each bag fits 60 pills/capsules; Or 6 medication patches; Or 6oz/180ml of liquid.

The bag and its content can then be safely placed in a household trashcan.



Recycling right doesn't have to be hard.



JUST FOCUS ON THE **BIG 4!** PLACE **ONLY** THESE ITEMS IN YOUR BIN.

1



**CORRUGATED
CARDBOARD**

Flattened

2



**PLASTIC BOTTLES
& JUGS WITH NECKS**

Emptied, Rinsed, & Lids Removed

3



**METAL FOOD &
BEVERAGE CANS**

4



**GLASS JARS
& BOTTLES**

It's okay to throw *everything else* away. It will be turned into energy.

Lancaster County has an advanced waste-to-energy process that converts these materials into renewable energy, powering local homes and businesses and helping to reduce our reliance on non-renewable sources of energy. So, when in doubt, throw it out.

recyclerrightlancaster.org



Anonymous Complaints

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



In order for a complaint to be submitted, one must provide the address and/or tax parcel number of the property with the alleged violation. In addition, complaints must be signed and provide contact information. Complaint forms are available at the Township Administrative Office.

GRASS & WEED ORDINANCE

As spring arrives, grass and weeds will begin to grow. Manor Township has a Grass and Weed Ordinance. The Ordinance requires every person owning or occupying any property in Manor Township upon which grass or weeds in excess of six (6) inches in height is growing, must cut grass or weeds on or before May 1st, June 1st, July 1st, August 1st, September 1st and October 1st of each calendar year.

Exceptions include trees, shrubs, flower beds or gardens, vegetables, wildflower gardens, seasonal and ornamental grasses, woodlands, wetlands, areas with fifteen (15) feet of a stream or pond, and land cultivated in crop production.

Please 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.

Manor Township Approves Use of ARPA Dollars

At the March 2022 meeting, Manor Township Supervisors approved the expenditure proposal of the American Rescue Plan money. The goal with the proposal was to use the money in a manner that prepares the township for the future and beyond. To that end, most of the expenditures across all departments are in capital investments. These capital investments are specifically designed to enhance the operations of the township.

As part of that investment, the Supervisors also wanted to announce that dollars have been set aside for non-profits (including churches and 501c3 organizations) to submit a simple application for a \$1,000 grant award. Any eligible Manor Township non-profit can easily apply for this money before December 31, 2022 by contacting our office at 717-397-4769 or email manager@manortwp.org for detailed information on how to apply.

American Rescue Plan Spending Proposal

REVENUES:

ARPA Distribution 6/2021\$1,100,125.75

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Total Revenue\$2,200,251.50

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES:

Police Department

Body Cams\$180,000.00

Modem Upgrades.....\$27,000.00

Radar Speed Trailer.....\$15,000.00

Public Works Department

Park Bathroom/Building

Enhancements\$280,000.00

Portable Light System\$10,000.00

Forklift.....\$40,000.00

Snow Removal Equipment.....\$250,000.00

Street Light Battery.....\$63,000.00

Generator\$325,000.00

PW Radio/Repeaters.....\$50,000.00

Mini Excavator\$100,000.00

Administration

Summer Playground.....\$80,000.00

Employee Premium Pay.....\$85,000.00

Penn Manor Education

Foundation Endowment\$52,000.00

Van.....\$65,000.00

Non-Profit Grant Awards.....\$100,000.00

Outside Gazebo.....\$25,000.00

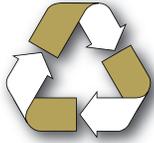
Future/Potential Land Acquisition\$500,000.00

Total Expenditures\$2,247,000.00

Excess Revenue vs. Expenditure..... (\$46,748.50)

**Manor Township
Board of Supervisors**

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MANOR TOWNSHIP UPCOMING PROGRAMMING

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



TOWNSHIP CURFEW

Manor Township Police Department reminds kids and parents that the curfew is 10:00 PM Sunday through Thursday and Midnight on Friday and Saturday. The majority of the time the kids are just out walking or riding their bikes and not causing any harm; however, some have been caught doing damage to property or doing things that they shouldn't be doing. The biggest danger and concern for the Police department though is that the kids are away from the safety of their home and are easy targets for people who would do them harm. A big common denominator involved in these cases is it usually happens when a few friends sleep over at another friend's house and then they all sneak out together. It is easier for a few kids to sneak out of one house rather than each of them sneaking out of their own houses and then try to meet up somewhere. Parents just need to be aware of where their kids are at all times.



**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**

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Friday, April 15** Good Friday - Office Closed
- Tuesday, May 17** Primary Election - Office Closed
- Monday, May 30** Memorial Day - Office Closed
- Monday, July 4** Independence Day - Office Closed