**NEWSLETTER** 

For the

**Residents of Manor Township** 

SPRING 2023 Vol. 32 / No. 1

# 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 <a href="https://www.manortwp.org">www.manortwp.org</a>. Discounts will be given to those that register in May.

#### **HIRING NOW!**

Do you have a junior or senior in high school looking for summer employment? Manor Township is currently hiring for the Summer Playground Program for the position of junior counselor. Resumes or letters of interest can be sent to manager manortwp.org or mailed to Manor Township, 950 West Fairway Drive, Lancaster, PA 17603.



# Greetings from Our New Chief of Police



Hello everyone,

My name is Colin Cleary, and as of March 1, 2023, I have the honor of serving as the Chief of Police of the Manor Township Police Department. I look forward to working with the men and women of Manor Township Police Department and learning about my new community.

Before moving to Manor Township, I served as the Chief of Police for Green Tree Borough in Allegheny County. Prior to that I spent 23 years with the Harrisburg

Bureau of Police, retiring as the Commander of the Uniformed Patrol and Technical Services Divisions. Most of my career was spent in various patrol functions, including service as a patrol supervisor, K9 handler, and school resource supervisor. My law enforcement career started with the U.S. Army, where I served as a military police officer for six years.

My goal as Chief is to continue the fine work being done at Manor Township Police Department. We are a full-service police agency staffed with law enforcement professionals who are compassionate and respectful to the community, but are trained, equipped, and prepared to face any challenge to public safety.

I am always available for conversations with our residents and business partners. I can be reached at 717-299-5231, via email at <a href="mailto:clearyc@manorpd.org">clearyc@manorpd.org</a>, or you can stop by the police station during business hours. I'll also be hosting Coffee With a Cop sessions in the near future-please check our Facebook page for dates and times.

### **TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES**

DETOUR FOR LOCAL TRAFFIC On Saturday, May 6th, 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.

Items in Right-of-Way	2
Illicit Discharge	2
2023 Road Projects	2
Turkey Hill Country Classic	3
Spring Compost	3
Safe 2 Say Something	4
Theft from Vehicles	4
Recycle Right	5
Free Yard Waste Program	
Grass & Weed Ordinance	
Dates to Remember	6



### ITEMS IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY

The landscaping and home renovation season is upon us. Often homeowners have limited space to store materials on their properties. 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 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.

The Township also encourages residents to refrain from planting trees and shrubs in the right-of-way and to avoid placing portable basketball stands in such areas. Should Township personnel or police discover this situation, the responsible party will be required to remove the materials immediately, and a citation may be issued.

If you have any questions about the right-of-way, please contact the Township Office at 717-397-4769.

### **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 untreated 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, and considered an illicit discharge. 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.

# 2023 ROAD PROJECTS

Manor Township's Public Works Department maintains 112 miles of roads, which happens to be one of the largest municipal road systems in Lancaster County. To continue to maintain and improve this road system there are several projects planned for 2023.

Several paving projects have been planned for this summer. The following roads are scheduled to receive a new paved surface: Joseph Road, Kent Road, Kent Court, South Centerville Road (between Stone Mill Road and Charlestown Road), and Williamsburg Road.



Seal coating is one of the best maintenance and cost effective applications available to Public Works Departments. The application of bituminous material that is coated with clean stone provides an excellent skid resistant surface while sealing the existing roadway. To prepare roads for this maintenance application side gutters will be cleaned to improve the drainage system. Storm water pipes will be inspected and replaced if needed on roads that are scheduled to be seal coated. The following roads have been scheduled to receive this application this summer: Hershey Mill Road (between Eagle Path and Central Manor Road), Pittsburg Hill Road, Pittsburg Valley Road, Stehman Church Road (between Rock Hill Road and Walnut Hill Road), and Witmer Road.

The Township is also planning to continue the road-widening program that improves the width of narrow rural roads. Widening is planned for Shultz Road, and Anchor Road (between Gamber Road and Prospect Road).

# ~~ The Cookie Nook -

#### **BROWN BUTTER BUTTERFINGER COOKIES**

#### Ingredients:

12 tbsp unsalted butter 2 cups all-purpose flour 1 tsp baking powder

1 tsp. baking powder 1/2 tsp baking soda 1/2 tsp salt
1 cup light brown sugar
1/2 cup granulated sugar

1/2 cup granulated sugar 1 tbsp vanilla extract 2 large eggs 1/2 C Butterfinger candy, chopped sea salt to garnish

#### **Directions:**

- 1. Brown butter in small saucepan over med. heat until amber brown color. Cool in refrigerator for 20-25 mins. until room temperature.
- 2. Preheat over to 350° and line baking sheet with parchment paper.
- 3. In medium bowl, whisk flour, baking power, baking soda, and salt together.
- 4. In large bowl, whisk butter, both sugars and vanilla together. Continue to whip for 2 mins. Add eggs one at a time until glossy & smooth.
- 5. Gradually fold in flour mixture until combined. Add Butterfinger bits and mix into batter. Refrigerate dough for 30-45 mins.
- 6. Scoop into 2 T sized balls and place 1-inch apart on lined baking sheet. Bake for 10-12 mins. Transfer to wire rack to cool.

Recipe Courtesy of Maegan 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 <a href="mailto:akautz@manortwp.org">akautz@manortwp.org</a>.

#### **COMMUNITY INTEREST**



Lace up those running shoes and gear up for the annual **Turkey Hill Country Classic**. In its 24th 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 6th** 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: <a href="https://www.manortwp.org">www.manortwp.org</a>.

5K RUN/JOG/WALK = 10K RUN HALF MARATHON

## Planning a Summer Picnic?

Residents can rent pavilions at any of the following Manor Township parks: Breneman; Charlestown - Hovis, Shenk or Strickler; Creswell; Greider - Pavilion #1 and Goodhart Pavilion #2; Washington Boro; or Woods Edge. Pavilions are rented on a first come, first serve basis starting the first of the year at a cost of \$40 for Township residents. Reservation forms and payment must be submitted to the Twp. Office. Greider and Charlestown's pavilions are reserved weekdays during the summer for the Township's Summer Playground program and are not

he Township's Summer Playground program and are not rented; however, they can still be rented on the weekends.

Visit our website for photos and a complete list of anemities. For more information and/or reservations, please contact the Township Office at 717-397-4769.

### 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.
April 8th, 22nd & 29th
May 13th

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

March 29th ■ April 12th

### **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 6th.



### **MANOR 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.

### **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.

# Safe 2 Say Something

Why the **Safe 2 Say Something** program? Each year millions of youths hurt themselves or others through verbal, physical and digital means. These behaviors can cause the youth to experience emotional trauma and physical injury, mental health or wellness issues, stress or anxiety.

The **Safe 2 Say Something** program is an anonymous reporting system for youths and adults to warn the school and police officials of individuals who may be a threat to themselves or others. It provides a phone app, website, and 24-hour crisis telephone hotline to submit anonymous tips.

Step 1: someone submits a tip either through the app, website, or phone call. Step 2: the tip is received by an analyst and then categorized and sent to a school official and law enforcement (as needed). Step 3: the school official and possibly law enforcement intervenes to help the individual. The school official reports the outcome back to the **Safe 2 Say Something** platform, it is documented, and the tip is closed out.

The mobile app is available for Apple or Android devices, the website is <a href="www.safe2saypa.org">www.safe2saypa.org</a>, and the tip line number is 1-844-safe2say.

#### **Theft from Vehicles**

Over the years we received numerous calls from residents that their cars were broken into. Most of these were unlocked vehicles. Many times, residents have had items of value stolen. It can be as small as some loose change to more valuable items such as a laptop, wallets, jewelry and firearms.

This is a crime that occurs mostly during warmer weather; however it happens all year long and at anytime of the day. People think this will not happen to them or they are in a rush and just forget to lock their car doors.

Please remember to always lock your car doors and do not leave your car running and unattended, especially with children left in it. This could lead to you having your car stolen as well. Please do not leave anything of value in your car. Thieves look for the easy crime to commit, an unlocked vehicle they can rummage through and they will look inside glove boxes, consoles, under the seats and above the sun-visors. If they have easy access, this makes it more appealing to them. Please remember to lock your car.

If you are the victim of a vehicle break-in:

- File a police report.
- Alert your credit card providers of the theft to prevent fraudulent charges.
- Check your credit history and scores to make sure additional credit cards were not added using your identity.
- Consider adding a security alert to your credit history, which will provide additional protection if your Social Security number was stolen.
- Report any stolen vehicle insurance card and vehicle registration to law enforcement, your insurance company, and the Department of Transportation. Thieves have been known to steal insurance and registration information and put them with stolen vehicles.

Individuals who witness a break-in or see a suspicious individual or vehicle should find a safe location to call 9-1-1. If you are the victim of a vehicle break-in, report the incident to police immediately.

#### **COLLECTIONS & RECYCLING**





# FREE YARD WASTE PROGRAM

Did you know Manor Township offers a FREE yard waste pass for Manor Township residents? We partnered with the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA) to help our residents manage their yard waste. Examples of yard waste include small limbs and twigs, garden clean-up, bush and shrub trimmings, grass clippings and leaves. Landscape timbers are not permitted. Manor Township residents may take their yard waste to the Frey Farm landfill (located at 3049 River Road in Conestoga) free of charge under the following conditions.

- Residents must pick up a pass at Manor Township, located at 950 W. Fairway Drive, Lancaster, PA, 17603.
- The program is for residential yard waste only. Regular charges apply to commercial loads.
- All loads must be properly secured and tarped.
- The pass is non-transferable (only to be used by the owner of the property).
- The pass is good from year to year.

Residents will present their pass at the LCSWMA scale house and follow the marked route to enter into the drop off area where they will leave their material.

We want to reiterate that all trailers and trucks taking loads must be tarped while traveling to any LCSWMA facility and remain tarped until arriving at LCSWMA'S designated untarping areas. Refusing to do so can result in debris falling on roads and residential areas and also create hazardous driving conditions.

We also ask that residents traveling to the Frey Farm Landfill drive safely and abide by traffic indicators.



### **Manor Township Board of Supervisors**

950 West Fairway Drive Lancaster, PA 17603



Printed on recycled paper

PRESORTED STANDARD U.S. POSTAGE

#### PAID

LANCASTER, PA PERMIT NO. 1746

### MANOR TOWNSHIP UPCOMING PROGRAMMING

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

# 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, wild-flower 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.





# 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 7	
	Primary Election - Office Closed
Monday, May 29	Memorial Day - Office Closed
Tuesday, July 4	Independence Day - Office Closed