



EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2012

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Meetings

*East Goshen Township Meetings
are advertised
in the Daily Local News.
All Township meetings and
workshops, with exception of
Board of Supervisors
Executive Sessions,
are open to the public.*

GOING GREEN!

East Goshen is 'GOING GREEN!' in order to reduce expenses and our impact on the environment. We recently conducted an informal survey and over 90% of the respondents indicated they would prefer to receive an electronic copy of the Newsletter.

If you would like to receive free electronic copies of the Township Newsletter please go to the Township web site (www.eastgoshen.org) and select the option for 'Electronic Newsletter' under Constant Contact.

Beginning with the Spring 2012 issue the Township Newsletter will only be mailed to those residents who specifically request it. If you would like to continue to receive a paper copy of the Newsletter, please send your request to the Township with a check or money order in the amount of \$12.00 (annual subscription for four quarterly issues) payable to East Goshen Township. Single copies will be available at the Township Building for \$2.00 per issue (check or money order only).

"America is the most inventive country in the world because everybody has access to information."

~Tom Clancy

Dear Neighbors and Fellow Residents of East Goshen Township,

Happy New Year!

Please visit the Township Website for the quarterly "From the Chairman" report for the current, new and relevant information about the Township which will be updated on a monthly basis for your benefit and convenience.



Best wishes for a Happy, Healthy and Successful New Year!

Board of Supervisors

HISTORICAL COMMISSION NOTES AND NEWS

JUNE 2, 2012 – EAST GOSHEN CIVIL WAR PROGRAM – The Historic Commission, in keeping with Chester County's celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War, will be doing another Civil War Program in Historic Goshenville on June 2nd. Put this date, the **first Saturday in June**, on your calendars and plan to bring the whole family to this exciting and informative event.

SOUTHEAST REGION NATIONAL HISTORY DAY COMPETITION — SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2012 will again be hosted by Immaculata University. Members of the East Goshen Township Historical Commission, along with several East Goshen residents, will serve as judges for the March 10th Regional Competition. The theme for this year's competition is "Revolution, Reaction, Reform in History".

Participating students come from both public and private schools as well as charter schools and those that are home schooled. Students choose historical topics related to the theme and conduct extensive primary and secondary research through libraries, archives, museums, oral history interviews and historic sites. After analyzing and interpreting their sources and drawing conclusions about their topics' significance in history, students present their work in original papers, websites, exhibits, performances and documentaries.

For more information on National History Day, go to www.nationalhistoryday.org, or visit the Chester County Historical Society site at www.chestercohistorical.org. If you would like to be a volunteer judge at the Regional NHD Competition, call the Township at 610-692-7171. A member of the Historical Commission will contact you.

HELP US MAKE HISTORY COME ALIVE — The Historic Commission is looking for volunteers. Are you a history buff? Do you enjoy doing research, working with school-age children, gardening, or recording oral history? Are you interested in writing, publicity, grant writing or photography? Would you like to be a Plank House guide or a "day of the event" volunteer? Then the Historical Commission can use your help.

A Volunteer Information Sheet is posted on the Township website – www.eastgoshen.org. Fill out the form with your information and either mail or fax it to the Township. A member of the Historical Commission will contact you. Training will be provided for all activities. If you have any questions or would like more information, call the Township at 610-692-7171.

THANK YOU COMMISSION MEMBERS —

East Goshen Township would not be as successful in presenting high quality historical events for our community if it weren't for the hard work and dedication of the Historical Commission Members. The Commission worked especially hard this past year developing a Civil War Program and in planning and implementing a new kitchen garden among other things. Current Commission members are Vice Chairmen Chris Reardon, Ben Rohrbeck, and Kathryn Yahraes, members Sue Ciorletti, Judy Schafer, Monica Close and non-voting member Ed Lendrat. Joe Zug served half a year and left the Commission in August. Dolores Higgins, a former Commission member and our "wardrobe mistress", also contributed many hours to help with this year's programs. 2011 was very successful year, thanks to all of you for making this happen!!!

Ellen Carmody, *Historic Commission Chairman*

East Goshen Farmers' Market is Going Indoors for the Winter

Many thanks to all township residents who supported the East Goshen Farmers' Market (EGFM) in our first season – we had a very successful summer / fall market.

Winter will find us **indoors** in the Municipal Works Building, just to the right of the East Goshen Township Building. Our Indoor Winter Market will be an “order only” market held the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. Many of our vendors have products available all winter, including our growers.

How will this work –

1. The East Goshen Farmers' Market will send an email listing all participating growers / producers for each market with an inventory of what each vendor has available for purchase. *If you are not on the Farmers' Market mailing list you can join by contacting marketcoordinator@eastgoshenfarmersmarket.org or by contacting the township.*
2. You will place your orders directly with the grower / producer via email.
3. Pick up of orders will be from 12:00 PM – 2 PM, the second and fourth Thursday of the month in the Municipal Works Building to the left of the Main Township Building, 1580 Paoli Pike – watch for signs.

This will be the area's only indoor winter farmer's market. Enjoy all of your favorite EGFM growers / producers year-round by taking advantage of our EGFM Winter Market. While this is an “order only” market, many vendors will bring additional inventory for purchase – in case you forgot to place your order.

Again, thank you for your support – we look forward to seeing you at the EGFM Winter Market!



Get the latest Township news sent directly to your inbox. Go to www.eastgoshen.org, and click where you see the constant contact logo to sign up to receive e-mail updates. You choose the specific information you wish to receive.

Goshen Fire Company

The volunteers of the Goshen Fire Company would like to thank all who have supported us throughout 2011, and we look forward to your continued support as we enter 2012.

Soon you will be receiving our Subscription Letter Drive and we ask that you take the time to read the letter, as it will contain valuable information pertaining to our services. We would also like to inform you that this is one of our largest fund raising events of the year and we depend on your donations. Please remember that the Goshen Fire Company is made up mainly of volunteers who live in your community. It is through fund raising and your generosity that we are able to provide you with superior service.

Did you know that you don't have to be a firefighter, EMT, or fire police, to be an active social member of the Goshen Fire Company? We are always looking for individuals who have experience in fund raising, public relations, teaching, marketing, IT, as well as the various trades such as plumbing, roofing, electric, carpentry, etc. If you are looking to give back to your community, then why not start here? Feel free to stop in any Monday evening during our weekly training sessions/drills which begin at 7:00 pm at either fire house. We look forward to meeting you, and answering any questions you may have while we give you a tour.

The Auxiliary of the Goshen Fire Company has their monthly Breakfast Buffets served on the 4th Sunday of each month, in the Supplee Hall of the Goshen Fire Company located at 1320 Park Avenue (where the fair is held). We encourage one and all to stop by and experience a wonderful breakfast. The Auxiliary is made up of dedicated volunteers who donate their time and efforts to this important fundraiser.

For more information about the Goshen Fire Company, we invite you to visit our website, www.goshenfireco.org. If you are interested in joining, or have questions regarding rental of our Hall or wish to schedule tours, feel free to stop in at either of our firehouses located at 1320 Park Avenue, or on the Corner of Boot & Greenhill Roads, or contact us through our website. We appreciate and would like to thank you for your continued support.

Jerry S. Fokas, *President*
Goshen Fire Company

SPCA Needs Your Help!

The SPCA cannot thank you enough for your past support! They can use the following donations:

Leashes
Rawhide Chews
Dog Biscuits & Cat Treats
Washable Dog & Cat Toys
Towels & Blankets
Dog Beds
Liquid Laundry Detergent
Bleach
Sponges
Rubber gloves
Dust Pans and Brushes



MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

Sewer Treatment Plant

The Upgrade and Expansion of the Ridley Creek Sewage Treatment Plant was completed in September 2011, with contract close-out with Worth & Company (general/mechanical contractor) and William Clinger Corporation (electrical/instrumentation contractor). The \$10 million project was successfully completed through the efforts of the Authority's construction manager, Brickhouse Environmental, and the Authority's engineer, Pennoni Associates, in coordination with Township staff.

The Treatment Plant has been started-up and commissioned. Currently, the treatment process is being optimized for phosphorus removal. The discharge permit has been administratively extended to allow the plant to demonstrate a minimum of two months of compliance with the new phosphorus discharge limits before the new discharge limits become effective. On-going day-to-day contract operations are being provided by Miller Environmental, Inc.

The inflow and infiltration program, undertaken by the Public Works Department, has inspected, and repaired where necessary, 12 miles of sewer mains in 2011. Installation of flow meters at key locations has focused these efforts. This has led to the reduction of extraneous flows such as clean water from groundwater, illegal sump pump connections and inflow from broken sewer cleanouts. Reduction of these flows increases the reliability and performance of the treatment plant. These efforts contributed to the facility maintaining compliance with the discharge permit during the severe conditions experienced during Hurricane Irene.

To take advantage of the new treatment plant capacity, several capital projects are in the engineering planning and design phase, and will be bid as the Authority budget allows. These projects include the Lockwood Sewage Treatment Plant Abandonment, the Hershey's Mill Pumping Station Diversion, The Reserve Pumping Station Abandonment, and the Marydell Pumping Station Abandonment. Several of these facilities have been in operation for over 30 years and have reached the end of their service life. Act 537 approval from PADEP has been obtained for all but the Marydell project. The Hershey's Mill and Reserve Pump Station projects will divert flow that is currently pumped to the West Goshen Sewage Treatment Plant to the new Ridley Creek Sewage Treatment Plant. All these projects will allow these flows to go by gravity to the Ridley Creek Collection System and to the new plant. These projects are projected to provide significant life-cycle costs savings over replacement of these aging facilities.

Dana Pizarro, *Vice Chairman Municipal Authority*

East Goshen Recreation - Winter 2012

THIS IS THE LAST PRINTED TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER YOU WILL RECEIVE! *If you want to continue to receive Recreation program information please contact Frank Vattilano at 1580 Paoli Pike, West Chester, PA 19380 or at recdirector@eastgoshen.org or at (610) 692-7171. Of course, you can also visit our website: www.eastgoshen.org or sign up for Constant Contact on our website.*

East Goshen Park and Recreation Board

Ruth Scadding, Chairperson • Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore, Vice Chairperson
Phyllis Marron • Bob Huebner • Erich Meyer • Heidi Carpa • Vicki Wooters
Frank Vattilano, Director of Recreation

Special Events and Trips

Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington DC

Sunday, March 25th

8 am departure from the East Goshen Township Building.

Back in East Goshen at approximately 7:30 pm.

Taste foods from festival vendors; visit the museums and monuments surrounding the National Mall. Don't miss out- we plan on only taking one bus! Fee: \$35 per person

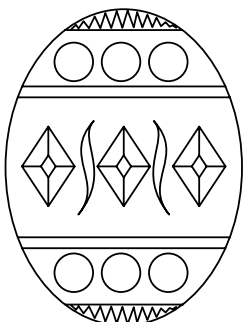
The Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 31st, 10 am

East Goshen Park (rain date Sunday, April 1st)

Ages 2 to 10.

Spring is in the air when it's time for the Giant Bunny to make her yearly appearance. We'll form an honor line to greet, "Her Bunniness". She won't sneak into town. Sirens will blare, lights will flash and little eyes will shine brightly as she arrives by Goshen Fire Truck driven by East Goshen's own, Lt. Teddy Harrison. Then it's *Bunny Hop* dance time led by the Amerikids to warm up for the Hunt. The Bunny will pose with the kiddos (who may also have their faces painted) for photo ops. The Park Board will hand out prizes. Bring your camera, your child and your smiles.



Township Wide Yard Sale

Saturday, May 5th 9 am to 1 pm
(rain date Sunday, May 6th)

Up to your ears in yesterdays treasures? ATTENTION!!!

The township is doing the advertising, composing a map of yard sale sites and even providing some yard sale signs (first come-first-served, sign-out basis). Sellers who live in gated communities may apply for use of a spot in the Township Building parking lot. (610 692-7171) A great chance to clear some space and add some cash.



Weekly Programs

Boot Camp Fitness with Colleen Crossed

Visit: <http://realresultsbootcamp.com/> for more details and to register

Colleen has other-worldly energy. Try her classes and you'll get hooked. She's more than a fitness guru- she's all about helping people become physically healthy and happy. This class meets in East Goshen Park- so it's close. The hours are diverse and the class participants smile. Albert Einstein said: "Nothing happens without movement." Get up! Do it!

Aerobics:

January 3rd - March 29th

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 - 7:30 pm

East Goshen Elementary

Ann McGrath is the real "energizer bunny". The days may be shorter, the thermometer mercury may shrink, but Ann will motivate you to your goals- health, fitness and clothes that will fit you so much better in the spring. Those who were enrolled in the fall 2011 class will receive a discount for the upcoming spring session. Sign up for this class. Your body will thank you for it. Almost 25 classes for only: Fee: \$79 (\$69 for those enrolled in 2011 fall aerobics).

Yoga and/or Meditation

Tuesdays, January 3rd to April 10th

4 to 5 pm	Meditation
5:30 to 6:45 pm	Yoga-All levels
7 to 8:15 pm	Yoga Basics

Thursdays, January 5th to April 12th

4 to 5 pm	Yoga for Seniors
5:30 to 6:45 pm	Yoga-All levels
7 to 8:15 pm	Yoga-Basics



East Goshen Township Building

Meditation is a tool that can contribute to an individual's physical and emotional well-being. It can relieve stress, chronic pain, reduce high blood pressure, decrease anxiety attacks and depression, build self-confidence and causes you to live in the moment. Charo works wonders through teaching this art.

Yoga, an ancient art is taught beautifully by Charo Cabello. The teacher is the medium through which you learn anything and there is none better than Charo. Through postures, breathing exercises, and relaxation

techniques, she will guide you and as a result, your body will become more flexible, stronger, balanced and healthy. A complete health system, Yoga stimulates the body to function efficiently and provide stress relief. Bring a yoga mat, small pillow, and wear comfortable clothes.

Fee: \$120 - 14 week series on either Tuesday or Thursday \$90 - Seniors class & Meditation (60 minutes)

Please make checks for Yoga and Meditation payable to Charo Cabello and send with the Registration form to 2505 Winterbridge Lane, West Chester, PA 19382.

Snifferdog

January 7th to February 11th Saturdays 10 am Veterans Pavilion East Goshen Township Park

Snifferdog is a great new sport fun for people that want a little something beyond basic obedience. It is also a super foundation for tracking dogs utility scent exercises and fun for everyone. It gives dogs that need to think and use their minds the opportunity work a puzzle that they can solve by working with their human as a team. It may be a good choice for pups that get over-stimulated or reactive to other dogs. Instructor Vicki Wooters owns certified Search and Rescue Dogs and is a professional dog trainer and certified canine nutritionist. What to Bring: Treats/food, non-retractable long leash, articles to find (tennis ball, beanie baby or similar toy, plastic food bowl, or other items). **Fee: \$150**



Zumba

East Goshen Township Building

Zumba Gold- Fitness class for older adults and beginners

Session 1, January 9th to February 13th

Mondays 5:30 to 6:30 pm

Session 2, February 20th to March 26th

Mondays 5:30 to 6:30 pm

Zumba- ages 18 and up

Session 1 January 9th to February 13th Mondays 7 to 8 pm,

Session 2 February 20th to March 26th Mondays 7 to 8 pm

This is a Latin-inspired, easy to follow exercise program done to international and Latin rhythms. NO EXPERIENCE necessary! Movements to Salsa, Cha-Cha and Reggaeton rhythms add up to a FUN workout. It is popular all over the world- a great way to send the calories away! The routines, expertly taught by Pam Nelson, feature both fast and slow movements that combine to tone and sculpt the whole body while burning fat. Zumba Gold is a little slower pace but participants get a great fun workout. **Fee: \$65**



Beginner Pilates

January 11th to February 22nd, Wednesdays

January 12th to February 23rd, Thursdays

10:30 to 11:30 am

East Goshen Township Building

This excellent value is a Beginner class in Pilates that helps to strengthen the core muscles and improve posture, flexibility and balance. Attention will focus on correct alignment and breathing. Instructor, Ruby Telehorster, has completed over 200 hours of Pilates mat certification and has a dedicated following. Bring comfortable clothes and a mat. **Fee: \$55**

Learn to Skate for Tots

ages 3 to 6 years old

Tuesdays, February 7th to March 13th 1 to 2 pm

Ice Line Rink.

It is amazing how these children progress in just 6 weeks! This is great exercise, socialization, and a great bargain. The instructors are wonderful. Class consists of one half hour of instruction and then one half hour practice time. Parent or guardian is welcome on ice during practice time at no charge. Free rental skates. Bicycle helmets required. **Fee: \$89**



Mature Driver Training

Tuesday and Thursday, April 10th and April 12th

9 am to 1 pm

East Goshen Township Building

This excellent and popular National Safety Council 8 hour course aids mature motorists in learning to compensate for the physical effects of aging on driving skills. It will deal with the effects of vision and hearing loss and prescription drug usage while driving. Most auto insurance policy carriers offer a discount on fees for completing this course. Limited space. **Fee: \$19**



Please see our website www.eastgoshen.org for info on a new senior fitness class on Tuesday and Thursday mornings

East Goshen Township's Social Media Interns who work on our Facebook page:

A big "THANK YOU!" to the following great young people:

Jonathan Dubin- Jonathan is an Honor Student, Eagle Scout candidate, and former Rotary Student of the Month at East High School where he is a senior and ranked in the top 1% of his class. One of his teachers commented, "Jon has always demonstrated a strong task commitment to everything he does both at school and in the community."

He is very skilled with technology and is a leader on the technical crew for East Theatre Company and WVIK Student Television Network. He is an East Goshen resident who already has demonstrated a willingness to pitch in and make his community a better place.

Tess Marchant- Tess is an Honor Student at East High School whose many talents include dance, classical piano, and theater. Tess is active in her church. A teacher commented: "Tess is an exceptional student who takes the most demanding courses offered at East High School and has been a member of the Student Council."

Tess is a great team player and has a smile that lights up a room. Despite a busy schedule, Tess makes time for community commitment.

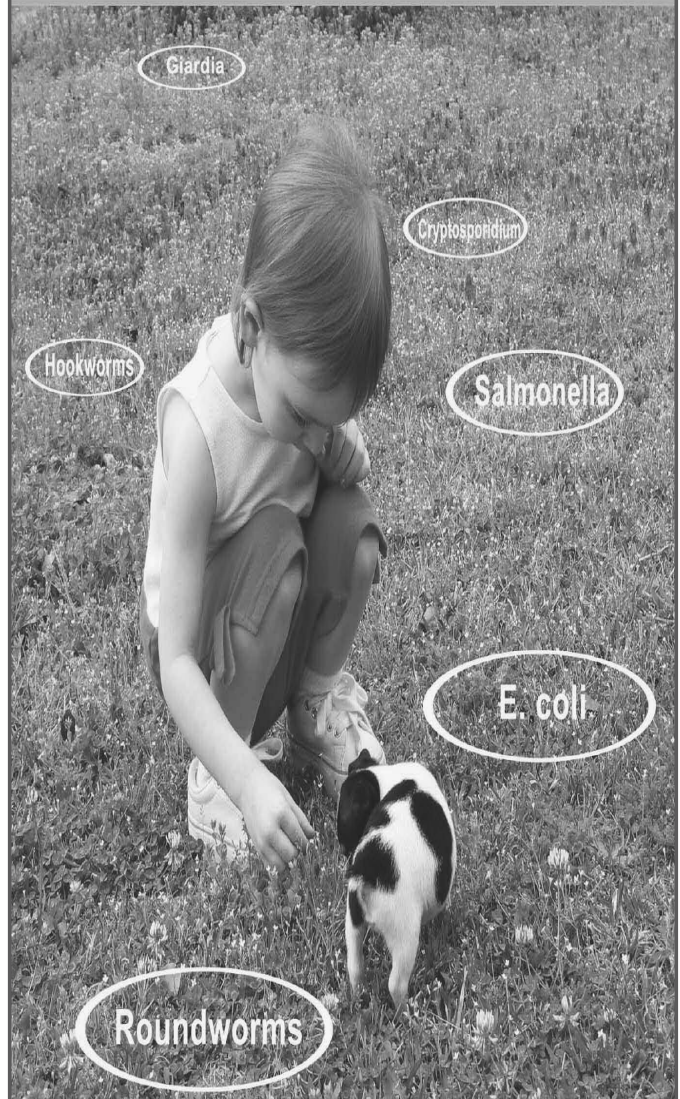
Joanie Guyer- Joanie was on the Facebook team last year and helped get it going. She was Valedictorian of her class at East High School last year. She was a National Merit Finalist, National Silver Medalist in Roller Skating, and a member of the Cheerleading team. She is currently a student at Pitt where she studies Bio-Engineering.

Joanie has a desire to invent things some day that will help people with medical problems. She combines intellectual gifts with people skills that will make wherever she ends up living fortunate to have her.

East Goshen is blessed to have young people like these.

THANK-YOU

Some things last longer than you think



Harmful organisms that can be transmitted from pet waste to children can persist for weeks.

Scoop the poop, bag it, and place it in the trash

Clean yards. Clean streams. Healthy children.

Message brought to you by your municipality
and the Chester-Ridley-Crum Watersheds Association Municipal Stormwater Partnership
Poster courtesy of Snohomish County Public Works, Washington State

2012 Winter Recreation Registration Form (Please submit with payment)

Not for Applebrook Golf, Youth Day Camp, Tennis Clinics or Boot Camp fitness... Visit us at www.eastgoshen.org for those registration forms

	Name of Participant <i>(please print)</i>	Birthdate	Name of Activity	Phone + Email <i>(Please print legibly)</i>	Address + Zip Code <i>(Please print legibly)</i>
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					

Aerobics \$79 for new participants (\$69 for 2011 EG Fall Aerobics participants)

Mature Driver Training \$19

Yoga \$120 \$90 for Senior Yoga and/or Meditation (send to Charo Cabello)

Cherry Blossom Trip \$35

Pilates \$55

PAYMENT by mail: East Goshen Township, 1580 Paoli Pike, West Chester, PA 19380

Payment must accompany this form to reserve a spot in any activity or trip.

Note: You may register for the programs listed on this page by using the form above and mailing it to us, or dropping it off at the Township Building. Refunds are dependent on the program involved. If you are registering for Yoga or Meditation, make your check payable to Charo Cabello and mail it to her along with this form at 2505 Winterbridge Lane, West Chester, PA 19382. Questions? Please call 610.692.7171 and or email Frank Vattiano at recdirector@eastgoshen.org

Learn to Skate for Tots \$89

Zumba \$65

Sniffer Dog Training \$150

Date _____ Check # _____ Check amount _____ (payable to 'East Goshen Township')

I, or we, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, hereby waive and release all rights and claims for damages I may now or hereafter have against East Goshen Township, and its employees and contractors for any and all damages and injuries which may be sustained by me or my family arising out of participation in the above activities.

Signature of Participant(s) _____
 (or parent/guardian if participant is under 18 years of age) _____

Odds & Ends from Rick Smith, Township Manager

Toll Brothers has completed the installation of the new traffic signal and turning lanes at the intersection of Paoli Pike and Line Road.

Yard waste will be collected every other week in 2012. You must place the yard waste into a paper bag or trash can without the lid on it. Yard waste in plastic bags will not be collected since yard waste is composted at the Lanchester Landfill.

In October of 2011, we lost two long time public servants.

C. Mae Schmidt served as Township Secretary for over 30 years from 1949 to 1955 and again from 1961 until her retirement in 1985. During her tenure, the Township grew from a farming community of 1,000 residents to a suburban community. She was a great person.

Charles "Chuck" MacIntyre was Chief of Police from 1981 until 1996. His low-key approach and common sense were a great benefit during the start up of the Westtown East Goshen Regional Police Department. He was the right person for the job and under his leadership; the Department became one of the premier police departments in the state.

While both of them are gone, neither will be forgotten anytime soon.

In October Acero Holdings, LLC received conditional use approval to locate their Precision manufacturing facility at 1340 Enterprise Drive. We welcome you to East Goshen.

QVC is finishing extensive renovations to their facility at 1365 Enterprise Drive. We thank you for investing in East Goshen.

A special thanks to CTDI for funding the Born Learning Trail in the Township Park, which will provide educational opportunities for children.

Finally, kudos to the Friends of East Goshen. The Farmers Market they have started is great and I would encourage you to visit it when it starts up again.

Please visit us at www.eastgoshen.org. We welcome your comments and/or suggestions on how to make the Township better. As Chairman Isayeff says, "You do not have to be sick to get better".

Important Dates to remember for East Goshen Township Quarterly Sewer/Refuse Invoice DUE DATES are as follows:

1st Quarter Invoice

Mailed: 1st week in January

Due: February 28th

2nd Quarter Invoice

Mailed: 1st week in April

Due: May 31st

3rd Quarter Invoice

Mailed: 1st week in July

Due: August 31st

4th Quarter Invoice

Mailed: 1st week in October

Due: November 30th

Important dates to remember for East Goshen Township Annual Real Estate Tax Invoices are as follows:

Tax Invoices

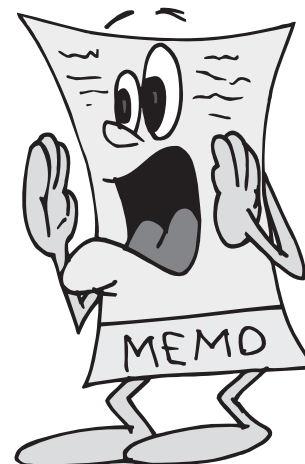
Mailed out: 1st week in February

2% Discount Due Date: On or before March 31st

Face Amount Due Date: On or before May 31st

10% Penalty If Paid After: May 31st – December 31st

Lien Placed on property by Chester County if paid after – December 31st



Driving Safely this Winter and all Year Long....

With the Winter season firmly upon us there are a few things to remember to prepare yourselves and your loved ones for a safe time while driving:

1. Clear ALL snow and ice off of your windows, lights, roof, trunk and hood areas....not only will this increase your vision but it will also prevent snow or ice from dislodging from your vehicle and potentially causing an accident. In Pennsylvania if snow or ice from your vehicle causes an accident involving death or serious injuries you could be liable and given a citation with a fine of between \$250-\$1000.
2. Prepare your vehicle for winter driving by ensuring that you have tires with adequate tread depth to provide traction in snowy and icy conditions. Put a winter ready kit in your car that contains the following items:
 - * Flashlight with extra batteries
 - * Flares of reflective triangles
 - * Jumper cables
 - * Cell phone with extra batteries
 - * Extra car fuses
 - * Rags or paper towels
 - * General first aid kit
 - * Gallon jug of water
 - * Roll of quarters, dimes and nickels
 - * Non-perishable food items
 - * Blanket, extra set of clothes
 - * Winter formula window washer solvent
 - * Non-clumping kitty litter to use for extra traction
 - * Ice-scraper, snow brush and shovel
 - * Tire chains
3. USE your headlights....By PA law you are required to use your headlights between sunset and sunrise as well as when you cannot discern something on the highway from 1000 feet away due to weather conditions (ie snow, rain, etc) and anytime that your windshield wipers are in use due to weather conditions. If in doubt turn them on...it makes you more visible to those around you and your surroundings more visible to you.
4. If the weather conditions are questionable....DON'T drive unless it is absolutely necessary. By reducing the amount of traffic on the road you allow emergency vehicles to get around easier and have fewer non-emergency calls to respond to as well as allowing the plow truck operators greater ease in getting the streets cleaned up quickly and safely.
5. And lastly, this one applies all year long....PA has what is known as the "Steer Clear Law". When approaching a scene with emergency vehicles present (police, fire, ambulance, tow trucks, etc) you are required to move over or if that is not possible you must SLOW down. Those in violation are subject to fines and possible license suspension.

CODE

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Stay Warm, Efficient, and Safe:

Remove the snow and ice accumulation from around the air intakes of furnaces and other gas appliances and from around heat pump compressors. All homes with attached garages and or fossil fuel burning appliances and furnaces should have at least one Carbon Monoxide (CO) detector installed on the lowest level of the home. Carbon Monoxide is an odorless and deadly gas by product of combustion.

Chimney Safety:

Have your chimney inspected to insure there are no obstructions or damages prior to using it this winter.

Code Trivia

“Know the Codes” We have another question ... Do you know the answer?

CH 156 – Noise: Noise Disturbances prohibited

How long may a motor vehicle idle within a two hour period?

- A. 30 minutes
- B. none, vehicle idling is prohibited.
- C. 10 minutes
- D. 5 minutes

Use the Township Code to research this question, which is available on our website, www.eastgoshen.org, on the Township Code page. Once you have your answer you can check it on the Zoning & Code Enforcement page under Township Departments, or you can contact the Code Department during normal business hours for the answer.

Is your Home Improvement Contractor Registered in Pennsylvania?

Pennsylvania Home Improvement Consumer Protection Act 132

- ❖ The law affords protection for consumers who hire contractors to perform home improvements on their residential properties.
- ❖ The law requires written contracts between the contractor and consumer when the total cash price of all work agreed upon exceeds \$ 500.00
- ❖ The law provides criminal penalties for home improvement fraud and civil penalties for violations of the act.
- ❖ The law became effective on July 1, 2009.
[Visit the Township website for more details.](#)

Even projects that don't require East Goshen Township Building permits; your contractor(s) are required to be registered with the State of PA.

Please see the Township Code Department page of the Township website for a list of projects that require a permit.

Conservancy Board

BAT FACTS



They will not get in your hair.

They are gentle, intelligent and clean.

They protect our environment by eating insects like beetles, moths, and mosquitoes. (Without bats, mosquitoes would make a meal of us.)

They pollinate crops and dispense seeds.

They are not likely to have rabies (less than half of one percent of bats do) and they will not attack you.

If you see a bat on your porch, let it alone. It will fly away as soon as it can. If you find one flying in your house, open a window or door and let it out. If you find one on the floor, don't try to pick it up without heavy gloves. I found what I thought was a young bird on the floor of my dark hallway and picked it up to put outside. Whereupon, it tried to bite me, the natural response of a little fellow threatened by a giant. Since this bird had teeth, I quickly dropped it, and looking more closely, found it was a small brown bat. I swept it up in a dust pan (not the right procedure) and took it outside. I should have placed a plastic container over the bat and slid a piece of cardboard under it, then taken it outside, putting it on an elevated surface so it could fly away. Bats have to drop down and gather air under their wings in order to fly.

Forest-dwelling bats migrate in the winter, while others hibernate in caves or attics. If you have bats living in your attic, they will not destroy your attic and they will bless you with less mosquitoes outside, but if they must be relocated, get help from a bat expert, not an exterminator.

There are no vampire bats in Pennsylvania. All bats here are insect eating bats.

Two of the nine species here are in serious trouble: the Small-Footed bat and the Indiana bat. It is the little brown bat which has been dying of white-nose fungus, contracted in caves while hibernating. As I understand it, somehow the fungus wakes the bat who then thinks it is spring and flies outside only to starve to death from lack of insects. Scientists have been working on a way to kill the fungus without also killing the bat.

If putting up a bat house interests you, mount it at least twelve feet high, facing South or East, and ensure that it has direct sunlight six or eight hours a day. Unfortunately, a bat house doesn't ensure resident bats if you have tall trees around. They prefer the trees.

Wherever they want to live, you definitely want them around, so they can protect you from those night-flying insects you don't want. Bats also need you to protect them, since they are the most endangered mammal in North America.

Ginnie Newlin - Conservancy Board Member

- The info above came from Bat Woman Brenda Malinic's brochure passed out at a CRC Watershed Society bat forum. You can get more information about bats on websites: www.batcon.org and www.batworld.org.

East Goshen Township Refuse & Recycling

2012 Yard Waste Pick-Up Dates:

All Yard Waste Is Picked Up On The Following Wednesday's:

- January - 11th, 25th
- February - 8th, 22nd
- March - 7th, 21st
- April - 4th, 18th
- May - 2nd, 16th, 30th
- June - 13th, 27th
- July - 11th, 25th
- August - 8th, 22nd
- September - 5th, 19th
- October - 3rd, 17th, 24th
- November - 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
- December - 5th, 19th



Trash Container Code Requirements:

Ch 194-6.E. Trash cans, trash bags, bulk trash, leaf bags, leaf waste and recycling bins shall not be placed at the curb for collection before noon of the day immediately preceding the scheduled collection day. All municipal waste containers (trash cans) and recycling bins shall be removed from the curb no later than 8:00 a.m. on the day immediately succeeding the scheduled collection day.

Trash Hauler Holidays:

- May 28th - Monday - Memorial Day
- September 3rd - Monday - Labor Day
- November 22nd - Thursday - Thanksgiving
- December 25th - Tuesday - Christmas



U.S. Flag Disposal:

Any U.S. Flag that is torn or faded and needs to be disposed of properly can be dropped off at the Township for a proper retirement. A local VFW will conduct a proper flag retirement ceremony to dispose of it.

2012 Christmas Tree Pick-up:

Please Remove Any Plastic Bags From The Tree, Place Your Tree At The Curb The Night Before Pick-Up.

- January 11th - Wednesday
- January 25th - Wednesday

Snow Removal:

We would like to take a moment to explain the snow removal procedure in East Goshen.

1. We prep the roads with liquid brine before the storm begins.
2. We put a layer of salt down on the roads when the snow starts.
3. Once the snow starts to accumulate the plows begin to make one pass in and out of every street until the snow stops.
4. When the snow stops we begin to clear the streets, by pushing the snow to the curb.
5. When clearing your driveway, **do not** deposit the snow into the roadway. This can cause hazardous conditions to other motorists.
6. Cul-de-sacs and storm drains are the final areas to be cleaned up after a storm.
7. **Please do not park on the street during a snow event.**

2012 Bulk Pick-Up Dates:

Monday-Thursday Trash Days

- January 12th
- February 16th
- March 15th
- April 12th
- May 17th
- June 14th
- July 12th
- August 16th
- September 13th
- October 11th
- November 15th
- December 13th

Tuesday-Friday Trash Days

- January 13th
- February 17th
- March 16th
- April 13th
- May 18th
- June 15th
- July 13th
- August 17th
- September 14th
- October 12th
- November 16th
- December 14th

Mailbox Replacement:

The East Goshen Township Board of Supervisors have passed a resolution that states the Township will Reimburse a resident \$25.00 for replacement or repair for a damaged mailbox, provided the resident has advised the Township of said damage within one week of the snow removal operation. The Township does not repair any mailboxes.

Web Site:

If you have any questions, please log onto our website, www.eastgoshen.org

GREAT EVENTS OF 2011

The Park and Recreation Department experienced some fantastic events of 2011 with the cooperation of many people and organizations. With the partnership of the YMCA, Applebrook Golf Course and many other sponsors we hosted a Community Day which included games for the kids, food, and spectacular fireworks at night. Through the Friends of East Goshen: (a 501c3), a Farmers Market was developed in East Goshen Park on Thursdays with fresh fruits, vegetables, flowers, food and more. We want to thank, Lisa O'Neil, Donna Levitsky, Vicki Reilly, and Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore for their hard work in making this another East Goshen success. The proceeds will go to the Park & Recreation department for further development of its programs. Thanks to the workers, and family of CDTI and the United Way of Chester County a Born Learning Trail was established near the tot lot in East Goshen Park. This trail is a series of signs and stenciled prompts designed to assist parents and caregivers in engaging young children in quality early learning activities. For the first time East Goshen hosted a Harvest Festival on Oct. 22nd. This event included music, Irish dancers, free pumpkins and activities for the kids, hayrides, food, craft and local business vendors. We owe a lot to Lisa O'Neill, Donna Livitsky, Vicki Reilly, Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore, Heidi Karpa, East Goshen Public Works and Frank Vattilano for the many hours of work put in to make that day the success it was. East Goshen Parks and Recreation will strive to make these events and others even more exciting in 2012.

Bob Huebner
Park & Recreation Board

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP "NEIGHBORHOOD UNIVERSITY"

East Goshen Township is happy to announce the return of the Neighborhood University program. The Neighborhood University program will introduce East Goshen Residents to the purpose and structure of local government and the services provided to include an introduction to the role of Emergency Services in a community.

The Neighborhood University Program will take place over two evening sessions: Thursday January 19th and Thursday January 26th 2012 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Please note that there will be no fees to East Goshen Township residents for this great opportunity to learn more about the internal workings of our Township. Light refreshments will be provided.



Contact Mark Gordon, Township Zoning Officer, at 610-692-7171 or via email at mgordon@eastgoshen.org to register for the program. Registrations will be accepted until January 10, 2012. Visit the township Website, www.eastgoshen.org for more information and to complete a registration form.



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Planning Commission January 4 - 7 pm	Park & Recreation February 2 - 7 pm	Board of Supervisors March 6 - 7 pm
Park & Recreation Board January 5 - 7 pm	Board of Supervisors February 7 - 7 pm	Planning Commission March 7 - 7 pm
Municipal Authority January 9 - 7 pm	Conservancy Board February 8 - 7 pm	Historical Commission March 8 - 7 pm
Board of Supervisors January 10 - 7 pm	Historical Commission February 9 - 7 pm	Municipal Authority March 12 - 7 pm
Conservancy Board January 11 - 7 pm	Municipal Authority February 13 - 7 pm	Board of Supervisors March 13 - 7 pm
Historical Commission January 12 - 7 pm	Board of Supervisors February 14 - 7 pm	Conservancy Board March 14 - 7 pm
Office Closed MLK, Jr. Day January 16	Office Closed President's Day February 20 - 7 pm	Board of Supervisors March 20 - 7 pm
Board of Supervisors January 17 - 7 pm	Board of Supervisors February 21 - 7 pm	Board of Supervisors March 27 - 7 pm
Board of Supervisors January 24 - 7 pm	Deer Management February 27 - 7 pm	Go to www.eastgoshen.org Sign up for Constant Contact and get email updates!
Get latest Township news 	Board of Supervisors February 28 - 7 pm	

* Other meeting dates (including Zoning Hearing Board) may be added as needed.
For verification of dates call Township, check Township website or sign up for Constant Contact.

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