# EAST GOSHEN

**Special Edition** 

Celebrating Township Manager Rick Smith's Retirement, serving 1969 – 2021 Township

**SUMMER 2021 NEWSLETTER** 

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## From The Chairman...

Dear Friends, Neighbors and Fellow Residents:

It is with great pleasure I write today on behalf of my fellow
Supervisors, as summer is in full swing and many of us are enjoying a
return to normalcy and more active lifestyles. I would like to thank all of our first responders
and health care providers who have tirelessly worked over the last eighteen months through
the COVID-19 pandemic. As of this printing, the Township Building has opened back up for
recreational activities and we have begun in person ABC meetings, two very welcome
changes indeed.



East Goshen Township hopes this will be a memorable summer season for all our Township residents, and welcomes everyone back to our public spaces this summer. Community Day is scheduled for Saturday, August 28, and we cannot wait to see a sea of smiling faces and the glint of fireworks sparkling in our children's eyes. The Paoli Pike Trail has been open since November, and we are encouraged to see the walkers and bikers using the trail with increasing frequency. Current open segments connect Line Road to the park system and parallels Paoli Pike down to Reservoir Road. We will be applying for a DCED Multimodal Transportation grant this summer to fund the remaining portion, segment B, from Reservoir Road to Ellis Lane. You

may have noticed, segment A from Airport Road to Ellis Lane is being constructed as we speak.

With regards to the Mariner 2 pipeline, Sunoco has completed all pipe installation in East Goshen Township and restorations are complete except for near the Rite-Aid on Boot Road. Sunoco has about one mile of pipe to construct in other areas of Chester and Delaware counties.

Adelphia Gateway is finishing up the improvements to the valve on Paoli Pike. While this is the only construction activity for this project in East Goshen, Adelphia has a significant amount of work to do at the compressor stations in Bucks and Delaware counties, so the line will not be placed in service anytime soon.





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#### **MEETINGS**

East Goshen Township meetings are advertised in the Daily Local News

Agendas and Minutes are available on our website: <a href="https://www.eastgoshen.org">www.eastgoshen.org</a>

All Township meetings and workshops with the exception of Board of Supervisors executive sessions are open to the public.

#### Letter From The Chairman...continued from cover

Work is also moving along on the Hershey's Mill Dam Park project, with construction to be completed by September. This new 8.0 acre passive park will include internal trails and opportunities to access the water's edge. Eighty six foot tall boulders will be placed along the water's edge, created ripples, gentle whitewater and cascading water; it will be very picturesque and we think will become our "postcard-worthy" park in a few short years.

The plans for the Milltown Dam Park project are currently being reviewed by the state Department of Environmental Protection and the U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers. We anticipate the plans being approved this summer, whith construction starting later this year.

Our joint project with West Goshen Township to repave and restripe Boot Road between Wilson Drive and Green Hill Road will soon commence construction. The project will result in an additional lane going towards Route 202, which should improve traffic flow.

Stay safe and be well.

#### David

David Shuey, Chairman



Preserving the Past Serving the Present Planning for the Future



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## June 16, 2021 Officially proclaimed "Rick Smith" Day

The Township has officially proclaimed today, June 16 as "Rick Smith" Day, in honor of his fifty-two years of service to East Goshen Township. A lifelong resident, rick graduated high school on a Thursday, came to work the following Monday, and never left. Under his leadership, the Township grew from 1,000 to 18,000 residents while maintaining its beautiful charm and green, open space vistas.

The Board of Supervisors and staff presented Rick with a boulder this morning emblazoned with a plaque dedicated to the "rock" of the Township. Officials and staff remarked on his wonderful service, remarkable leadership skill and unflappable demeanor.

He will be truly missed.



Rick with Township Supervisors (L-R): Marty Shane, John Hertzog, Michele Truitt, David Shuey, Mike Lynch





## The History of East Goshen Township... ...as told by its longest serving employee...

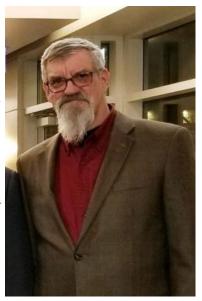
To the Residents of East Goshen and All of my Friends and Colleagues:

On June 16, 2021, I will be retiring as Township Manager. Since I have been at the Township for a long time, it was suggested that I write up the recent history of East Goshen from my perspective, so here it is:

For what it's worth, I was born in 1952 in West Chester (which, by the way, was the year East Goshen adopted it first zoning ordinance) and I have lived my entire life in East Goshen Township. In 1952, the population of East Goshen was about 1,000 and to most people was considered the "sticks," i.e., rural or backwoods area. I attended East Goshen Elementary School which at that time only had six classrooms. The highlight of the year (for a kid) was the Goshen Fair in August.

My uncle, Tom Smith, served on the Township Planning Commission in the 60s, and worked for East Goshen in various capacities until his retirement in 1985. I started working for the Township in the summer of 1969 as a laborer and I currently live in a house that was previously owned by Vance Bates, a former township supervisor.

Since West Chester Pike had a trolley in 1952, the Supervisors allowed for commercial uses adjacent to West Chester Pike. The West Chester Pike corridor originally only had a few small commercial establishments, like Supplees Farm Market and the Milltown Garage.



I remember the reconstruction of West Chester Pike when I was a kid from a two-lane road with trolley tracks on the south side to the four-lane configuration it is today. After the improvements, SEPTA had a bus route on West Chester Pike, and in the late 1960s, the new Route 202 was completed (replacing Paoli Pike), and it was possible to get from West Chester to the King of Prussia Mall in 20 minutes. The reconstruction of West Chester Pike and the convenient access to Route 202 set the course for development for East Goshen. The Supervisors believed it was good planning to continue to allow for more intensive uses in the corridor; and the corridor was developed with condominiums such as Summit House and apartments like Waterview and Racquet Club.

The corridor was also home to a development referred to as Goshen Heights or Milltown. The development was laid out in the 1920s by Harry Taylor with 25-foot-wide lots with streets and alleys much like a borough. People purchased as many lots as they could afford and built a house. There was a variety of housing styles including Sears Roebuck houses, several of which still exist today.

Most of the other land in East Goshen was zoned for one housing unit per acre, with on-lot sewer and water. When I first started at the Township there were still quite a few farms, although the seeds of development were sprouting with subdivisions like Vista Farms and Bittersweet that had been built in the early 60s. These subdivisions had one-acre lots with on-lot sewer and a well.

Fortunately, the Supervisors had the foresight to recognize that encouraging development with smaller lots that provided public sewer, public water, and open space was good planning. As a result, they enacted a single-family cluster provision that allowed for 25,000 square foot lots with all three of those amenities. Pin Oak Farms was the first of many developments that was built (1969) under this option, followed by Marydell Farms and Hershey Mill Estates.

The Supervisors also approved a relatively new land use concept at that time called a Planned Residential Development, or PRD. Under this concept, the developer would first present an overall plan for development. Detailed engineered plans for each phase would be presented at a later date, and then the project would be built. Hershey's Mill Village was originally approved in 1973 as a PRD with 2,687 homes and a golf course. Unfortunately, the development failed, and the bank took back the property. The bank then failed and the property went to the FDIC. In 1977, the FDIC conveyed the property to a new developer who came forward with a revised PRD plan with 2,323 homes for Hershey's Mill Village. The revised PRD was approved in 1978. This plan just showed the overall road system in Hershey's Mill, the location of the golf course and community facilities, and the location and size of each

#### East Goshen Township through the years...cont'd.

village were to be submitted later. Hershey's Mill Village was finally completed with 1,720 homes in 2009, 31 years later. The housing market had changed as Hershey's Mill was being built out and the developer found out that buyers wanted larger homes. Since the area for each village was fixed, he ended up with fewer homes.

In 1964, Smith, Kline & French purchased the Applebrook Farm, which consisted of 55 acres on the north side of Paoli Pike and 280 acres on the south side. Their original plan was to develop the parcel on the south side of Paoli Pike as a corporate campus. They never followed through with their campus, although they did use the buildings at the west end of the property for animal studies. The Township acquired the 55-acre parcel from Smith Kline for use as a Township Park in 1975. In 1999, Pfizer, a successor to Smith Kline, put their 311-acre parcel up for sale. The Supervisors put together a coalition consisting of Applebrook Associates (a group of golfers looking to build a golf course), Brandywine Realty Trust, Chester County and the Township to make an offer to Pfizer. Applebrook Associates came up with \$10,000,000 to purchase 191 acres for the golf course and homes; Brandywine Realty Trust put up \$5,000,000 to purchase the existing office buildings on 20 acres; and the Township and County paid \$3,000,000 and \$2,000,000, respectively, to purchase what is now known as Applebrook Park.

The other significant development that occurred was the construction of "industrial parks" such the Brandywine Industrial Park, the Goshen Corporate Park, and Goshen Corporate Park West. The shopping channel, QVC, had its original studio in The Goshen Corporate Park, and Synthes USA, which is division of Johnson & Johnson, has a large presence in the Goshen Corporate Park West.

Of course, all of this development would not be possible without public water and public sewer. The Township was originally served by the Great Valley Water Company, a small water company located in Frazer, until it was acquired by Philadelphia Suburban Water Company, which in now known as AQUA.

On the public sewer side, in 1977, the Supervisors entered into a contract with West Goshen Township to treat sewage from East Goshen. A sewer line that collected sewage from both townships was installed along the Chester Creek, terminating at the Westtown Way Pump Station, which in turn pumped the sewage over the hill to the West Goshen Sewer Plant. West Goshen continues to treat our sewage, and they are currently undertaking a multi-million dollar upgrade to the treatment plant to comply with their discharge permit.

In the mid-1980s, Bernie Hankin, a local developer, approached the Supervisors with a proposal to build what is now known as the Ridley Creek Sewer Treatment Plant, designed to serve his 497 single-family cluster development called Bow Tree, the Smith Kline Beckman property, and other existing developments like Vista Farms. The Township entered into agreements with Hankin and Smith Kline in 1984 to construct the treatment plant. The Township expanded the treatment in 2010 and it currently treats sewage from homes on the east side of the Township.

Last but not least, on January 1, 1982, the Westtown-East Goshen Regional Police Department commenced operations. Prior to that date, the township residents relied on the State Police for police services. WEGO, as it is often called, was created in 1981 by the Supervisors of Westtown Township and East Goshen to provide police service to both townships. It was only the fifth regional police department created in the state. In 1993, WEGO began providing police services to Thornbury Township on a contract basis.

When people think of East Goshen they think of a suburban community of single-family homes on nicely-landscaped lots. However, we are a very diverse Township and over 60% of the homes in East Goshen are multifamily. As I am writing this article, you can purchase a condo in Goshen Valley for \$172,500; in the southeast part of the Township, a magnificent 6,800 sq. ft. home on 11 acres is for sale for \$6,875,000; and there is everything in between.

I have seen East Goshen grow from a rural community of small farms to one of the premier townships in Chester County.

As Sean Connery said to Kevin Costner in the movie *The Untouchables*, "Here endeth the lesson."

Rick Smith

Township Manager

## Louis F. "Rick" Smith, Jr. Through the years in pictures



(Summer 1992) - Township Building ground breaking; joined by former Supervisors John Chatley, Marty Shane (current), Linda Gordon, Barb Corba, Tony Icovelli



(1992-93) - Township Building construction



(1997-98) - Supervising installation of trash racks on the Milltown Dam Reservoir outfall pipe



(2003) - Assessing fallen tree property damage

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## Louis F. "Rick" Smith, Jr.

### A lifetime of exemplary public service

#### Louis F. "Rick" Smith, Junior, born 6/26/52, and raised in East Goshen Township.

June 1, 1969-Rick, at 17 years old, started work at East Goshen Township and joined the road crew as a laborer. 1970-Graduated Henderson High School

1976-Married his lovely wife, Bonnie, and had two wonderful children, Kyle & Liz.

January 1981- Rick was promoted & accepted the role of Public Works Director

October 1987-Rick was promoted again & accepted the role of Township Manager & Zoning Officer. Rick remained as manager until his retirement in June 2021.

Highlights of his tenure includes:

Create East Goshen Township Park, a 55 acre award winning park

The construction of the current Township Building

several major road improvement projects,

The "Z Project" Road improvement, the

Decommissioning of the Reservoir

Creating a state of the art park for trails and recreation when he saved 250 acres of township land from private development (a public/private partnership), now known as Applebrook Park

The Hershey Mill Dam Project slated to finish, fall 2021

#### Awards/Accomplishments:

- 1988 Appreciation Award from the Chester County PA Dept. of Transportation In support of Highway Management, the Chester County Appreciation Award
- 1994 County of Chester 1994 Citation 25 Years of Service
- 1994 25 Years of Dedicated Service from the Board of Supervisors, Citation
- 1997 Public Servant Award from the Residents of Willow Pond
- 2001— Saved 250 acres of Township land from private development through a creative public/private partnership, developed into Applebrook Park
- 2002 The National Committee for Employees Support of the Guard and Reserve Recognized as a Patriotic Employer
- 2004 Chester County Water Resources Task Force Award in "Watersheds
- 2016 Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors 27th Annual Presidents Leadership Award
- 2016 J. Larry Boling Award for Excellence in Local Government
- 2019 Awarded 50 Years of Service Citation from the Board of Supervisors

#### **Boards/Memberships, Current & Past:**

Chester County Water Resources Task Force-which developed "Watersheds" as part of the Chester County Comprehensive Plan

Board of Directors for West Whiteland Fire Company

Member of COG Board for Municipal Governments

Lead Advisor in Neighborhood University Chester County Association of Township Officials

Legislative Committee President of the Chester County Managers Consortium Chester County

Water Resources Authority - board member, and served as Chair and Vice-Chair

#### Township residents, staff and elected officials reflect on Rick's impacts

#### Rick Smith – The Gibraltar of Municipal Managers

So much good to say about such a fine human being and man who has the unique ability to effectively and calmly deconstruct the most complex, controversial or unexpected events and situations that *is* the world of municipal management.

Rick is a manager's manager – ethical, humble, effective, efficient, accountable, accessible and universally respected in our world by his peers, fellow employees, and citizens – The Epitome of a Quiet Professional.

Were it not for Rick in my life, I very well might not have had a (30-year) career and tenure as a municipal manager in neighboring East Bradford Township, Chester County.

In 1991 I was the victim of downsizing; the country was in a 'mild' recession due to some combination of the 1990 oil price shock; debt accumulation of the 1980s, and growing consumer pessimism from the weakened economy to produce the brief recession. At that time my position as Associate Vice President with the Wooldridge Organization at The Villages of Hershey's Mill was vaporized. Like a failed mainspring of a watch, without a job, a young family and a mortgage I was in a state of shock with no time to lose. Rick Smith, who I had known for some years through my work at Hershey's Mill, was one of my first calls to share my situation. Rick, in his always calm, concise and caring manner of communication, informed of a new manager search at East Bradford Township and suggested it could be a good opportunity. The rest, as they say, is history.

Subsequent to my plunge into municipal management, Rick has remained an always available resource and mentor. I have learned so much from this kind gentleman over the now decades not just from his advice but from the observation of his countenance. I continue to learn from Rick each day now as a member of the EGT Board of Supervisors. Regrettably one skill I have not ever been able to learn from this master is his ability to be so damned effectively and pleasantly concise!

As he is The Master I shall remain honored to be the Grasshopper. It is such a privilege to have you in my life.

So Now Louis 'Rick' Smith, Jr., while you may not have a Vincent Black Lightning 1952, may you and your Bonnie bride ride your Harleys safely and enjoyably to Golden Pond and beyond!!

And to borrow the chorus from the John Prine song, "In Spite of Ourselves" this for You and Your Bonnie

*In spite of ourselves* 

We'll end up a'sittin' on a rainbow

Against all odds

Honey, we're the big door prize

We're gonna spite our noses

Right off of our faces

There won't be nothin'

But big old hearts, a'dancin' in our eyes

Mike Lynch

Township Supervisor

#### Township residents, staff and elected officials reflect on Rick's impacts

I don't have any amusing anecdotes to offer about Rick, but I can share that when serving as a township supervisor, Rick was always available to answer any questions and to offer background information and relative details of upcoming actions. He was always cheerful, considerate and supportive of staff. I never saw him angry or disrespectful toward another individual. He is truly an outstanding Township Manager, but more importantly, an outstanding individual.

#### Thom Clapper; former Township Supervisor

It's been a true pleasure working with you over the last 40 years! I think its safe to say we had more good times than bad. You are truly a wealth of knowledge and I am proud to be your friend! I will truly miss our morning talks! Now its time to relax and enjoy life without that phone growing out of your ear. I wish you and Bonnie a wonderful retirement as you both have truly earned it! Enjoy it!

#### Mark Miller; Public Works Director

I live in Bow Tree in the oldest farmhouse with close to 3 acres. One of the bordering neighbors complained to the township that I wasn't mowing my lawn often enough. I followed EGT regulations because I was trying to forest the side lots in and let trees grow. Mr. Smith came out, yep twice a year, and approved me. But the neighbor persisted to complain. I asked Mr Smith if I could borrow sheep from Arasapha Farms for the summer. He just said two words, oh boy. I had sheep keep the grass down for four years, trees grew, lots are forested and I met regularly with Mr Smith I nail that neighbor finally moved!

#### Ruth Atkins, resident

I wish I had a story to tell, but all I can say is he has been extremely reasonable and fair in the few dealings we have had with him over the years. He also has a pretty good memory. We will be so sad to see him go. He will be hard to replace.

#### Nancy Mulhollan, resident

My career in business taught me that my top priority was being responsive to my customers. In the 33 years I have lived in East Goshen, whenever I have had a question for Rick, he has always responded to me in a timely manner.

#### Paul Canavin, resident

When I started as Parks and Rec Director eight years ago, Rick came in my office and said, "I'm going to be honest, I don't know anything about Parks and Rec, so do your thing". But I quickly learned this wasn't the case. Rick was always the smartest person in any room, but he let his staff do their jobs, inserting himself when needed. This type of leadership has created a "well-oiled machine" of capable leaders, that will undoubtedly carry on for another 52 years.

#### Jason Lang; Parks and Recreation Director

## The Rock of East Goshen

For half a century he's stood Steady and solid as granite From a mower of lawns to Manager in charge of East Goshen Township Citizen stewardship writ large!

Undramatic as daylight
Honest as rain
Rick the Rock
The man with the answers
Before the questions came.

Ahead of every pothole
Astride every pond
His head full of figures
his heart full of heart
With vision and hindsight
Bridging past and beyond
The hard tasks looked doable
the undoables got done.

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They stand on the steady
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They thrive on deliberate dedication
They sustain on reliable stock.

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Our Louis the Lionhearted
whose sturdy Smith roots
Grew him vertical
Goshen's Pine Sentinel
Devoted in duty through decades
of challenge and change.

No praise can be worthy
Our caps doffed in awe
His legacy: our treasure of a Township
Held verdant and safe for half century
Cupped in his capable hands.

#### Chris Marshall, East Goshen Township Poet Laureate



## Join the Township in welcoming our newest staff!

#### **About our Township Manager, Derek Davis:**

#### Q: What aspect of your job are you most looking forward to?

Building relationships with the staff and boards as well as becoming part of the community, not just an employee. It sounds cliché but it is so important to be available and communicative with residents and businesses in order for them to have confidence in their local government. It's even more important when you're following someone with 5 decades of experience who dedicated his life to serving this township.



#### Q: What was your most recent position?

Assist Township Manager and Director of Planning/Zoning at West Goshen Township.

#### Q: What are your personal interests?

I am pretty golf obsessed much to my wife's dismay. I love spending time with my two daughters, Paige and Brynn. Diehard Eagles and Penn State Football fan. I wish it could be fall all year long (I think it's the pumpkin spice). The Beatles are the best band ever. That is not up for debate!

#### Q: Are you from the area?

My wife grew up right next to East Goshen in the Greater West Chester area and I've been in Chester County for over a decade now after migrating out this way from Philadelphia where I grew up. We've been taking our kids to EGT Park for years. I've always appreciate the sense of community and pride that people here have.

#### About our Director of Finance, David Ware:

#### Q: What aspect of your job are you most looking forward to?

I'm looking forward to helping the township create a long-term balanced budget that is sustainable and provides for the infrastructure and services of residents in a cost effective manner. Also, I'm excited to meet more residents and understand the different committees that serve the Township.



#### Q: What was your most recent position?

My most recent position was Cash/Financial Planning and Analysis Manager for a credit card company in Wilmington, Delaware.

#### Q: What are your personal interests?

I have 2 drum sets and 3 guitars. I enjoy writing songs or learning cover tunes and jamming w/ my brother-in-law. Sometimes, even my 3 kids enjoy dancing to my music, although it's hard to compete with YouTube, Pandora, and Spotify! I love all types of music, but have an affinity for classic rock, blues, and jazz.

#### Q: Are you from the area?

Close by, I grew up in Chadds Ford and played sports with a number of the West Chester schools. My wife is from West Chester and we love taking our kids (ages 6, 4, and 2) to the East Goshen Township park each week to play or walk the trails, and I'm glad to be working in East Goshen.

### The Goshen Country Fair is back! August 2 to August 7!

#### Fair, fun and French fries!

Summer isn't the same without them and the Goshen Fire Company is pleased to welcome you back to the Goshen Country Fair. Mark your calendar - the fair will run from Monday, August 2 through Saturday, August 7. The fairgrounds open M-F at 6 PM, Saturday at 5 PM, with free parking. Please come out and enjoy rides, food, vendors, agriculture and animal exhibits. Don't forget to pick up your favorite Goshen Fair Donuts! If you are interested in volunteering please email contact@goshencountryfair.org. We will not be publishing a fair booklet this year, but information for all items related to the fair can be found on our website at <a href="www.goshencountryfair.org">www.goshencountryfair.org</a>. For over 70 years the fair has provided a major source of funding for the Goshen Fire Company and we are so excited to be back and looking forward to seeing you this summer.











## WEGO PD would like to congratulate our newly promoted: Sgt. Joe Armbruster an Det. Sgt. Michael Ragni

#### About Det. Sgt. Michael Ragni:

Michael Ragni has been with WEGO PD for about 28 years now, getting assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division in 2003. He is Certified by the Chester County District Attorney's Office as an Active Shooter/Threat instructor, has been a member of the Emergency Response Team (SWAT) for over 16 years (and is currently a Squad Leader), and is now a certified Sniper on the SWAT team. He is the head certified Range Instructor for the Westtown East Goshen Regional Police.

Other areas of expertise include: On-Scene Accident Investigation, Street Survival, PA wire certification, Police Mountain Bike School, Criminal Investigation, Homicide Investigation training, Range Instructor school, Emergency Disaster Incident Training, Dynamic Handgun, Point Shooting, and has trained with professional/competition handgun shooter Michael Alexander.

Ragni holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Mansfield University in Criminal Justice, with a minor in Philosophy, and made the Dean's List during several semesters. While attending Mansfield University, Ragni played football and was Captain of the team and voted the Most Valuable Player in his senior year. He is married with four children and lives in the Township of East Goshen. He enjoys the outdoors and traveling out West to hike, hunt, fish and ski.





#### **About Sgt. Joe Armbruster:**

Joe Armbruster began part-time as a patrolman at WEGO PD in June 1999, at the age of 20 years old, and began full-time at WEGO PD in January 2004. In 2004, he received an award citation from Curt Weldon for a remarkable number of DUI arrests in the county. He was also recognized that year by M.A.D.D. for his high number of DUI arrests. In 2008, Armbruster received the Officer of the Year Award and had two other nominations for other years. In 2011, he joined the County's Major Incident Response Team and also became a Field Training Officer that same year. In 2015, Armbruster became a Use of Force Instructor for our department and in March 2021, he was promoted to Sergeant.

Outside of work, Armbruster enjoys sports, grilling, and spending time with his family. His mantra is, "Family first," and his biggest motivator is his son, Tyler. He was born one month after Armbruster was hired at WEGO PD.





## A Message from State Senator John Kane

It's been a busy first few months, both in Harrisburg and right here in the 9th District. As we move through

budget season, and the allocation of the American Rescue Plan funding, I want you to know that I am committed to fighting for a budget that works for working Pennsylvanians, and that helps our Commonwealth recover. But I also want to make sure that's we're addressing what matters most to you and passing legislation and a budget that works for you. As always, if you have an opinion or perspective on legislation you would like to see passed, please don't hesitate to contact me via email at kane@pasenate.com, via phone at 610-447-5845, or via social media at Facebook.com/SenatorJohnKane and on Twitter and Instagram @SenatorJohnKane.

I'm also excited to share that we have opened our first District Office in the City of Chester and will be opening our second District Office in Thornton in the coming weeks! Both District Offices will be open by appointment only, and our Constituent Services team will be able to assist with anything from applying for unemployment, to SEPTA passes for seniors, to faxing forms to any of the state departments. For more information on our office locations, and on how our office can serve you, visit www.pasenatorkane.com.



I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible in the coming months -- whether in my office, at one of our monthly events, or in and around our community. For more regular updates, make sure to follow me on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram and sign up for my e-newsletter.

## A Message from State Representative Dianne Herrin

Dear Neighbors,

It is my pleasure to be working for you in Harrisburg and at home in our district office. Since opening my office in

December, my dream team and I have assisted with over 1,500 constituent cases, helping you and your neighbors with everything from unemployment compensation to vaccine availability and access.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, do not hesitate to call my office (610) 696-4990 or email repherrin@pahouse.net so I can better serve you.

I also ask that you complete a quick survey so we can better understand your concerns and needs. This will help me draft policy and vote on the issues that best represent you and your priorities. I've heard from many of your neighbors already, so let your voice be heard by filling out my survey today at: bit.ly/repherrinsurvey2021



To close, I wanted to invite you to the fun and informative events my office will be hosting this summer including our virtual senior expo! To learn more about these great events visit my website at pahouse.com/herrin or call my office at (610) 696-4990 to stay up to date!

I hope you will have a happy, safe summer enjoying the outdoors!



## Latest News from the Malvern Public Library

Find us on the web at www.malvern-library.o

The Malvern Public Library is happy to announce we are now open to the public with the following hours:

Mondays & Tuesdays from 9am-8pm Wednesdays & Thursdays from 9am-6:30pm Fridays from 9am-5pm Saturdays from 9am-4pm

Our computers are available for public use by appointment. To ensure fair access to the library computers, usage will be limited to 1 hour at this time. Call the library at 610-644-7259 to schedule an appointment.

Curbside Pickup appointments will remain available Mondays through Thursdays from 1pm-5:30pm.

The Malvern Public Library and other members of the Chester County Library System will have our first collaboration virtual fundraiser! Join us for a Novel Tea with bestselling author Riley Sager, moderated by bestselling author Jeffery Deaver. The event will be held on July 1st, 2021 at 7pm. Tickets will be on sale until June 18th.

Summer Reading is here! Join our Tails & Tales children's summer reading program online with READsquared. Adults can join in the fun as well with our Adult Summer Reading program. Read or listen to any Chester County Library System book, fill out a short review card, and you will be entered to win one of our weekly gift card prizes to a local restaurant.

For children's events, online storytimes are held on Tuesdays at 10:30am via Zoom, or you can join Ms. Meghan on Thursdays at 10:30am for our Outdoor Family Storytime at the Burke Park Gazebo from June 10 through August 12. Registration is required.

For adults, our month book club meets the third Tuesday of every month at 9:30am at the Burke Park Gazebo or on Zoom depending on the weather. Copies of the monthly book are on reserve at our circulation desk for pick up. Please check our events calendar for more details.

Traveling this summer? Check out one of our mobile hotspots, or download the Libby app to get e-books and e-audiobooks on your phone or other mobile devices. We're here to help with any technical problems you may have.

Thank you to all who donated during our annual Give-a-thon! We appreciate all of our library supporters, and thank them for their yearly patronage to ensure the continued success of the library's programs and services. The main drive of Give-a-Thon may be over, but we accept donations all year. Please consider donating to your library.





We are looking for an East Goshen resident to join our Library Board of Trustees. If you want to give back to your local community, consider joining. Contact the Library Director, Maggie Stanton, for more information.

We also want to thank East Goshen's Township Manager, Rick Smith, for his support of the library over the years and we wish him all the best on his retirement!

## Fertilize your lawn the easy way!

Disposing of grass clippings is the most labor-intensive part of mowing the lawn for many homeowners. You can skip all that work and let your grass clippings fertilize your lawn for free.

Grass clippings contain nitrogen and phosphorous and can fertilize your lawn naturally. This approach can cut or eliminate the need for additional fertilizers, which can damage our streams. Clippings can also be composted and used to create high-quality fertilizers for your garden.

Start mowing by making two or three passes blowing grass clippings into the center of your lawn, not the street or driveway. Make sure to mow when the grass is dry so that the clippings do not clump together. Set the mower to a height of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 3 inches to better hide clippings and keep a healthier lawn. Mow weekly in the spring and as needed through the summer.

Clippings left on your lawn will biodegrade quickly because they are 90% water. It should not cause thatch buildup. If the grass is very high (Say, after returning from vacation), consider makings two cuts: a trim with the mower set "high", followed a few days later by a cut to your regular length. This will give the clippings a chance to degrade into the lawn and avoid having long clippings covering the lawn.

To be sure you are giving your yard the nutrients it needs and not providing too much fertilizer, test your soil. Contact your local Penn State Extension office to order a soil test kit for only \$9 (Chester County 610.696.3500, Delaware County 610.696.2655). They may also be available at local garden centers.

For your lawn and your streams, keep your grass clippings on your lawn. Your wallet will also appreciate the change, as you will need fewer fertilizers and less water.

Conservancy Board



#### Your <u>Sustainability Advisory Committee</u> has been hard at work!

Your response to our pilot program of free recycling totes with lids was impressive! Our informal betting pool guessed it would take from 2 days to a week for our township to give away the 100 totes we initially ordered. Instead, it only took a couple of hours. We now have 100 recycling ambassadors living in East Goshen Township!

We are requesting the board to order more, so if you or your family would like one as well, please send an email to sac@eastgoshen.org.

Our committee has entered into a working partnership with Willistown Conservation Trust to provide seminars, information and access to their programs. We hosted Lauren McGrath recently, who shared valuable information about pesticides and fertilizers, and how to help protect the purity and safety of our waterways, streams, wells and drainage system. This webinar is available for viewing on the YouTube section of East Goshen's website.

Lauren and another member of their staff will join us again soon for an in depth look at how to transition from all grass lawns to more sustainable garden areas with native plantings. These are easier to care for, require less watering, minimal chemical applications if any, and reduce our need for mowing. These plantings attract birds, butterflies and insects that help pollinate our Township. What's not to like about that!

For our more traditional East Goshen gardeners, you have a rare treat in store. East Goshen's new Gardener Laureate, Phillip Watson, invited us to film his own garden plantings. This video includes a wealth of suggestions for your garden. Look forward to an update later in the summer, and another in the fall. Philip will also be posting frequent short video blogs throughout the year. These will all be available

on the East Goshen website.

Thank you, East Goshen residents, for your robust response to our Crayon Initiative.

You donated over 40 pounds of crayons for recycling! Many are being shipped to California where they will be remade into new crayons and distributed to hospitals nationwide. And since a percentage of the crayons you donated were either brand new or barely used, we have saved these for local distribution as well.

We encourage all residents to recycle their single use plastic bags and plastic film. In addition to the bins available at places like Giant Groceries, we hope to have a bin available soon at the East Goshen park. We have two additional bins available, so if your business is interested in participating, please contact us care of <a href="mailto:sac@eastgoshen.org">sac@eastgoshen.org</a>.

Lastly, we will soon begin contacting our local businesses to see how we might support them toward a more sustainable future. We are well aware how many of our businesses have taken tangible steps towards more ecological packaging, recycling,

and transitions to green energy efficiency. We applaud these efforts despite a year of challenging economics. Soon we'll be thanking them publicly.

We know all our East Goshen residents are doing their best to keep our Township sustainably beautiful and green, thank you for your efforts!



## EGT Park—everyone's backyard...

Summer is here and I hope everyone is enjoying the sunshine and taking the opportunity to play in our parks more often! Throughout the last year, we've been humbled by how important our park spaces have been to residents, and look forward to a wonderful summer and fall with all of our flagship events coming back!

Before I mention what we have in store, I need to quick mention the amazing Carnival of Ruin theatre production that took place in the park on Saturday, June 5! The West Chester University Department of Theatre and Dance dreamed up a production with sustainability as its message, with all staging, costuming made from post-consumer waste..., and boy did they deliver! The

show was gorgeous, funny, poignant and dramatic. The message that we



should care more about our natural world really hit home, I saw grown men nod along as they wiped away tears and kids without direction pick up trash as they headed back to their cars. Kudos to Gretchen, Constance and Maria for seeing their vision four years in the making come true! We've also had an amazing start to our Nature Warriors program, hosted in partnership with the West Chester Garden Club! Ten kids are embarking on a summer long odyssey to learn more about bugs, plants, seeds and more, as they make their way to our celebratory Nature Warrior graduation party in July! Kudos to Gail, Ginny and the WCGC team for their creativity!

We have some great activities coming up, and we want you to mark your calendars! For real, go get

your calendar and grab a pen! Go ahead, I'll wait! Ok, so the Chester County Concert Band will perform Sunday, July 11 from 7p-8p on the stage, bringing 65 musicians to EGT Park to

delight the crowd! They are performing for free, as a thank you to the Township for offering them park space during the height of the pandemic, when indoor practice couldn't be held. Who is ready for some fireworks! Community Day will be Saturday, August 28 starting at 4pm and we'll have the food trucks, moon



bounces and more! All culminated with the best fireworks display in Chester County! But there is more! This year, one lucky person will get to hit the button that starts the fireworks show, wow! The Friends of East Goshen

(www.friendsoseastgoshen.org) is currently hosting a raffle for the experience. Simply visit the website to learn more and purchase your raffle tickets! Tickets will also be available at Community Day until 7pm when we pull the winning ticket!



Scan me to purchase tickets!

Something to look forward to as the weather cools, Oktoberfest! That's right, we'll be in the park on October 16 with fourteen food trucks, seasonal beer and wine, polka bands AND traditional rock bands. It will be an amazing event! The most amazing part? Locust Lane Brewery, located just up the road in East Whiteland Township, will be creating a custom label, with the Township Blacksmith Shop on it!

See you in the park!

**Jason** 

## East Goshen Township - Parks and Recreation Activities, Programs & Events

### Township Events

Activity: East Goshen Township's Community Day Celebration

**Date:** Saturday, August 28 (Rain Date: August 29)

Location: East Goshen Township Park
Description: Come out to beautiful East
Goshen Park and start the summer with a
"bang"! The fun-filled event includes
moon bounces, live music, and more! New
in 2021...who wants to start the fireworks for the whole
community??? The Friends of East Goshen (501c3) is
raffling off that amazing experience! The raffle is
currently open at <a href="www.friendsofeastgoshen.org">www.friendsofeastgoshen.org</a> for more
details. We will pull the winning ticket at 7pm at
Community Day, good luck!

Fee: Free!

**Activity: Chester County Art Walk** 

Date: Saturday, September 18; 4pm – 8pm (Rain

Date: September 19)

Location: East Goshen Township Building and EGT

Park (along Paoli Pike Trail)

**Description:** East Goshen Township is proud to partner with the Chester County Art Association to host the inaugural Chester County Art Walk! This event will bring 30+ art vendors across a variety of mediums for everyone to enjoy! The event will also include a jazz festival presented by the Chester County OIC! Artists will be placed at the Township Building, along the Paoli Pike Trail and inside the park, so feel free to get out of your cars and meander along the trail, and make a day of it!

**Activity: Township Wide Yard Sale** 

Date: Saturday, October 2; 9am – 1pm (Rain Date,

Sunday, May 3)

Location: East Goshen Township Building

**Description:** Clear out your garages, sheds and attics and make a little pocket change along the way! The township will be composing a map of all yard sale sites and providing yard sale signs (first come, first served). Those living in gated communities can reserve a spot at the Township Building – call 610-692-7171 to reserve your spot today!

**Activity: Pumpkin Festival** 

Date: Saturday, October 16; 10am-12pm (Rain

Date: Oct 17)

Location: East Goshen Township Park,

playground side

**Description:** We are excited that as cooler fall weather this, we can all look forward to our

Pumpkin Festival! The event will include plenty of pumpkins, hay rides, the EGT-famous kid's

pumpkin bowling and more!

Activity: East Goshen Township's Oktoberfest

Date: Saturday, October 16 (Rain Date: October

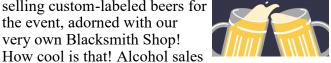
17), 4 pm - 8 pm

Location: East Goshen Township Park

**Description:** The 2021 Oktober fest will be an amazing event you will not want to miss! Join us for food, drink and awesome tunes! El Camino,

Polkadelphia and Not Quitting Our Day Jobs will all take the stage for four hours of non-stop live music!

Locust Lane Brewery, located one mile from the park, will be bringing their delicious beers to the event and Chaddsford Winery will be bringing the reds and whites! We are especially excited to announce that LLB Brewery will be selling custom-labeled beers for the event, adorned with our very own Blacksmith Shop!



and consumption will occur from 4pm to 7pm, and

#### **Blacksmith Shop Demos**

Date: Wednesdays & Saturdays, 10a-12p Location: Blacksmith

Shop

**Description:** Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a blacksmith in the 1700s?



Well now is your chance! Gary Kerschner runs the Blacksmith Shop in East Goshen and welcomes all visitors who want to see his trade in action! For more information coming in the future, please go to eastgoshenrec.com.

### Mark your calendars for this one!

Activity: Meet and greet with Aspen the Reindeer and Santa

**Date:** Saturday, December 18, 10am-12pm **Location:** East Goshen Township Park

**Description:** This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for area kids this holiday season! Aspen the Reindeer will be flying down from the North Pole Santa to East Township this December! Families will get to pose for pictures AND pet Aspen! This experience is hosted by the Friends of East Goshen, 501c3, and all revenues directly support Township park events! Mark your calendars today, tickets go on sale October 1st and we anticipate selling all 200 within the first week! <a href="www.friendsofeastgoshen.org">www.friendsofeastgoshen.org</a> for details beginning Aug 1st.



### Meet Evan Tyler, Parks & Rec Intern!

#### Q: What aspect of your interning are you most looking forward to?

I am looking forward to making great connections with everyone within the Township and everyone I work with. I am excited to see the Township in a way I haven't before. Living and working for the Township for so many years, it will be an incredible experience to learn how everything operates.

#### Q: Tell us something fun about you!

I am a die hard Philadelphia sports team fan! That includes the Union for all of the soccer fans out there. I love hanging out with friends and watching sports in my free time. Autumn is my favorite season and it is not even a close competition with the others.

#### Q: What was your most recent position?

Within the Township, I have worked for East Goshen Rec Camp since 2013 as a volunteer before becoming a counselor in 2015. I have also had the pleasure of being the Easter Bunny for the township East Egg Hunt in the past

#### Q: You go to Temple University, but you are from around here, right?

I have lived in West Chester for a majority of my life, since 2004. I attended East Goshen Elementary, the Fugett Middle School before going to East High School. I have played in the park countless times to this very day. The people in this community have made all of my experiences incredible!



#### Youth Activities

## Thank you for the tremendous interest in our summer programming! The following programs are currently at capacity:

Traditional Summer REC Camp

Senior REC Camp

Robotic Lego Camps

**Nature Warriors** 

Youth Tennis Camps



#### Youth and Adult Activities

Activity: West Chester Junior Tennis League

Dates/times: Saturday afternoons September 12 through October 24.

**Location:** East Goshen Park

**Description:** The WCJTL is an affordable tennis option for beginner to intermediate kids ages 5-14. They learn the game and then they play it with

supervised match play.

Contact Justin DePietropaolo at <u>justin@phillyteamtennis.org</u> with any questions!



**Adult Tennis Clinics** 

Location: East Goshen Park

Dates/times: Monday/Wednesday evenings, 9 AM-10 PM, July 12—July 28, 6pm—7:30pm

**Description:** Beginner/intermediate level instructional tennis

Fee: \$120

Contact Information: Justin DePietropaolo, justin@phillyteamtennis.org



**Mixed Media Art Classes** 

**Location:** Township Building

**Dates:** Fridays 5-6PM Sept 17-Nov 5 2021 **Description:** 8-week class for ages 5-14

Min 6 Max 12 students

Program Fee: \$140/student (resident); \$150 (NR)

Mommy/Caregiver and Me Art Classes

**Location:** Township Building

**Dates:** Tuesdays 10.15-11AM Sept 14-Nov 2 2021; **Description:** 1-5 yr. olds; Min 6 Max 12 students (a 'student' identified as a caregiver & child combo) **Program Fee:** \$140/student (resident); \$150 (NR)

**Adult Mixed Media Art Classes** 

**Location:** Township Building

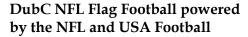
**Dates:** Tuesdays 11.15AM-12.30PM Sept 14-Nov 2 2021

**Description:** 8-week class

Min 6 Max 12 students (a 'student' identified as a care-

giver & child combo)

**Program Fee:** \$165/student (resident); \$175 (NR)



**Date:** Registration begins June, Season starts in September

**Description:** Youth flag football league hosted in EGT Park. 6U, 8U, 10U and 12U divisions; all participants get an official NFL jersey and flags to keep.

Visit <a href="https://dubcflag.com">https://dubcflag.com</a> or email <a href="mailto:info@dubcflag.com">info@dubcflag.com</a>

for more information!

#### Youth and Adult Activities

Drawing and Cartooning Summer Camps hosted by Young Rembrandts; Ages 5-13

**Location: Hicks Pavilion** 

YR Art Summer Camp- MultiMedia

Join us for a fun artistic week! We will work with a different coloring media each day- colored pencils, markers and oil pastels. Your child will have an opportunity to experience our drawing, cartooning, anime manga and oil pastels lessons, with subjects inspired by art, history, science, and the real world around us. Dragons, Molecules, Video Game characters, Fairies, Cars, Princesses and more will come to life in our drawings. You may register for AM or PM sessions, or for full day which will include the supervised lunch break. Different drawings will be taught in the AM and PM classes during the course of a week, and different drawings will be taught each camp week; no drawing will be repeated.

AM 9AM-12PM or PM 1-4PM session: will bring a snack & water FULL DAY 9AM-4PM: will bring 2 snacks, lunch, and plenty of water

#### Camp weeks:

June 28-July 2 July 19-23 August 2-6 August 9-13 August 16-20 August 23-27

Price: \$275 half day AM or PM

\$450 full day 9-4 with lunch hour included at no extra cost

Questions? Contact Cristina Hartley: cristina.hartley@youngrembrandts.com

#### **Brandywine Baseball Club**

The modern day Brandywine Base Ball Club was established in 2013 and modeled after its 19th century namesake, which formed in 1865 in West Chester, PA and is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. In keeping with the spirit of the original ball club and its rival contemporaries, we strive to field the most competitive team possible. However, within the competitive context, we also aim to:

The Brandywine Base Ball Club plays most home matches according to rules enacted by the National Association of Base Ball Players in December 9, 1863 (commonly referred to as "1864 rules".)

We play our home matches at East Goshen Park and attendance at all home games is free. Just bring a chair or blanket and come out and watch.

Our tentative 2021 schedule in EGT Park is: 4/17, 5/15, 5/22, 7/11, 8/28, and 9/11.

Visit https://www.brandywinebbc.org/ for updates.





### **FITNESS**

Activity: Discover ESSENTRICS® Aging Backwards,

Description: Learn about this age reversing workout that will restore movement in your joints, flexibility in your muscles, relieve pain, and stimulate your cells to increase energy, vibrancy and your immune system. Created by Miranda Esmonde-White, the New York Times best-selling author of Aging Backwards and Forever Painless, host of the award-winning PBS special Aging Backwards. Bring a yoga mat, and water.

Date: Thursday, July 1, 2021

**Time:** 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Fee: \$20

Activity: ESSENTRICS® Aging Backwards

Description :ESSENTRICS® Aging Backwards, is an age reversing, slow paced full body workout that will restore movement in your joints, flexibility in your muscles, relieve pain, stimulate your cells to increase energy, vibrancy and boost your immune system. This workout draws on the flowing movements of tai chi which create health and balance, the strengthening theories behind ballet which create long lean, flexible muscles and the healing principles of physiotherapy which create a pain free body.

Date: Thursdays, July 15 - August 13

**Time:** 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Fee: \$ 75



Charo—Township's Yoga Instructor

**Activity:** Yoga Flow

Experience gentle Yoga flows, which combines posture, breath, focus, as well as mantra and meditation. With this practice you will notice that not only your body changes, but you also become aware of a subtle change in your approach to life, through persistently toning and relaxing the body and stilling the mind, you begin to glimpse a state of inner peace which is your true nature.

**Date:** Tuesdays, September 7 - December 15 (No class on Election Day)

**Time:** 5:30 pm - 6:45 pm

Tuition: \$126

Activity: Gentle Yoga

Suitable for seniors, beginners, and students who have taken yoga before looking for a slower paced class. This slow paced class can help slow down the effects of the aging process by maintaining muscle softness and flexibility, keeping the mind alert and awake, encouraging relaxation and strengthening muscles and joints. Improve cardiovascular health, sleep, and balance encouraging the body, mind and spirit to remain healthy and strong.

Date: Thursdays, September 9 - December 16, 2021 (No

class on Thanksgiving Day)

**Time:** 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

**Tuition:** \$ 98

Location: Township Building

### Adult/Senior

**Activity:** Applebrook Golf Outings

Dates: September 15

Format: The Monday outing is resident only, tee times starting at 9am. Residents can bring up to three guests for the June and September golf outings. The June and September outings have 1pm shotgun start tee times, preceded by a lunch on the veranda. Golfers can carry, use a pull cart (personal) or use a caddy but cannot change option once at the golf outing. To register, visit eastgoshenrec.com or contact Jason Lang at 610-692-7171.

Fee: \$110 (\$50 caddy fee)

#### **Seniors Card Club**

**Date:** Every Friday of the month, 9:00am-12pm **Location:** East Goshen Township Building

**Description:** Come join us as we play your favorite card games and more. Pinochle, Canasta, Mexican Train are very popular. We are happy to teach you if you don't know how to play.

Fee: Free!

**Activity:** Seniors Card Club - MahJongg **Dates:** 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3rd & 4th Thursday of the month, 1pm-

3pm

**Location:** East Goshen Township Building **Description:** Come join our beginning Mahjongg

group. No instruction provided.

You can come with or without tiles!

Fee: Free!

Activity: Senior Rummikub

Dates/Times: 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month,

1:00 - 3:30pm

Location: East Goshen Township Building, 2nd

floor

**Description:** If you play rummy, you'll love Rummikub....the fastest growing game for seniors! We'll be happy to teach you if you don't know how to

play.

Fee: Free!

Activity: Senior Bridge

**Dates/Times:** Every Friday of the month, 9:00am –

12pm

Location: East Goshen Township Building, 2nd

tloor

**Description:** Come join us for Social/Kitchen bridge (not duplicate). No partner needed. If interested, contact Kathy Martinides at coolinarians@gmail.com

Fee: Free!

## Medication Collection Box Now Available in Township Building

A permanent medication collection box has been added to the East Goshen Township Building lobby. This convenient

location is available to residents between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. This box is in addition to the one located at the Westtown - East Goshen Regional Police Station at 1041 Wilmington Pike.

Medication collection boxes offer residents the opportunity to safely and anonymously dispose of unwanted and expired drugs and medications.

#### Accepted:

- Prescription Medicines
- Over-the-counter medications

#### Not Accepted:

- Illegal Drugs
- Needles
- Lotions or liquids
- Inhalers
- Aerosol cans
- Thermometers
- Hydrogen peroxide



### **Important Information**

#### Brandywine Valley SPCA and Tri-State Bird Rescue needs your help!

#### **Cancelled Until Further** Notice!!!!

The Animal Rescues cannot thank you enough for your past support.

> Kitty Litter Washable Dog & Cat Toys Towels & Blankets Pillow Cases, Sheets

Liquid Laundry Detergent Bleach & Cleaning Supplies

#### U.S. Flag Disposal:

Dog Beds

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 Contact East Goshen Municipal Authority at 610conduct a proper flag retirement ceremony to dispose of it.

#### **State Roads:**

Boot Road, Greenhill Road, N. Chester Road, Strasburg Road, West Chester Pike and Paoli Pike.

Any residents living on a state road that needs road repair or has trees down or pot holes may call PennDOT at 484-340-3200.



#### Call Before You Dig:

If you have to dig or excavate on your property, please remember to call before you dig. 1-800-242-1776 or 811 PA One Call

#### **Broken Water Main:**

Call Aqua Pennsylvania at 610-525-1402, 24 hours a day

#### Clogged or leaking sanitary sewer lines; sewage smell in the creek:

692-7171 during regular business hours. During weekends or after hours on weekdays, call 911.

#### 2021 TAX BILLS

Annual Township Real Estate Bills were mailed on Friday, January 29, 2021. If you did not receive your bill, please contact Chris Boylan at cboylan@eastgoshen.org to receive a duplicate bill.

All unpaid taxes are now due at the penalty amount. Taxes must be paid by December 31, 2021. Any unpaid taxes at year end are turned over to the County and a lien is placed on the property.

#### SEWER AND TRASH BILL

(does not apply to Hershey's Mill residents)

East Goshen Township partnered with Paymentus to offer residents a convenient, environmentally friendly option to pay sewer and refuse bills.

Did you know that using your computer or cell phone, you can....

view and pay your utility bill on our website check account balance anytime

#### Things to consider:

Save time, a stamp, a check, an envelope and save paper!

Flexibility to save a payment profile or make a one-time payment through or website

Pay by e-check, debit card, or credit card with no fee for this service

Processing a payment through your online banking bill payer service can be delayed or lost in the mail

#### Here's how to get started:

From the East Goshen Township home page www.eastgoshen.org

Click the first blue button on the left side (ONLINE BILL PAY - Pay Sewer and Refuse)

Click PAY NOW

Enter account number and address number, then CONTINUE to VIEW account details or enter payment information

Any questions, please contact Chris Boylan at <a href="mailto:cboylan@eastgoshen.org">cboylan@eastgoshen.org</a> or 610-692-7171.



#### 2021 Trash Holiday Schedule

Please note that trash will not be picked up on the dates listed below. All debris will be taken on the next regularly scheduled service day.

**Labor Day** Monday, September 6

**Thanksgiving Day** Thursday, November 26

#### 2021 Wednesday Yard Waste Collection Schedule

Yard waste is every other Wednesday and every Wednesday in November

June 9, 23

July 7, 21

August 4, 18

September 1, 15, 29

October 13, 27

November 3, 10, 17, 24

December 8, 22

#### 2021 BULK TRASH Collection Schedule

Thursday dates are for residents with Monday/Thursday collection Friday dates are for residents with Tuesday/Friday collection

June 17, June 18

July 15, July 16

August 12, August 13

September 16, September 17

October 14, October 15

November 18, November 19

December 16, December 17

The first Household Hazardous Waste event will be held on **Saturday**, **April 10 at the Government Cervices Center in West Chester**.

#### A PRE-REGISTRATION APPOINTMENT IS REQUIRED!

The public can register through our webpage <a href="https://www.chestercountyswa.org/121/Upcoming-Household-Hazardous-Waste-Event">https://www.chestercountyswa.org/121/Upcoming-Household-Hazardous-Waste-Event</a>

## Dates of Importance

JUNE 15 Board Of Supervisors, 7:00PM

JUNE 17 Futurist Committee, 7:00PM

JUNE 28 Sustainability Committee, 7:00PM

JULY 5 Independence Day Recognition — Office Closed

JULY 6 Board of Supervisors, 7:00PM

JULY 7
Planning Commission, 7:00PM

JULY 8 Pipeline Task Force, 6:30PM

JULY 12 Municipal Authority, 7:00PM

JULY 19 Business Pak Task Force, 7:00PM

JULY 15 Futurist Committee, 7:00PM

JULY 20 Board of Supervisors, 7:00PM

JULY 26 Sustainability Advisory Committee, 7:00PM

AUG 2 Business Park Task Force, 7:00PM AUG 3
Board of Supervisors, 7:00PM

AUG 4 Planning Commission, 7:00PM

AUG 5
Park & Recreation Commission, 7:00PM

AUG 9 Municipal Authority, 7:00PM

AUG 11 Conservancy Board, 7:00PM

AUG 12 Pipeline Task Force, 6:30PM

AUG 17 Board of Supervisors, 7:00PM

MAY 19 Futurist Committee, 7:00PM

MAY 23 Sustainability Advisory Committee, 7:00PM

SEP 1 Planning Commission, 7:00PM

SEP 2
Park & Recreation Commission,
7:00PM

SEP 6 Labor Day — Office Closed SEP 7 Board of Supervisors, 7:00PM

SEP 8 Conservancy Board, 7:00PM

SEP 9 Pipeline Task Force, 6:30PM

SEP 9 Historical Commission, 7:00PM

SEP 13 Municipal Authority, 7:00PM

SEP 14 Board of Supervisors WS, 7:00PM

SEP 16 Futurist Committee, 7:00PM

SEP 20 Business Park Task Force, 7:00PM

SEP 21 Board of Supervisors, 7:00PM

SEP 27 Sustainability Advisory Committee, 7:00PM

SEP 28 Board of Supervisors WS, 7:00PM

Public meeting days and times are subject to change.

Please check the Township's website for the latest information.



Sign up to receive email updates.

