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Board of Supervisors

Lost an Item?

The Township Administration Building has a "Lost and Found" collection of items, mostly left behind at the James A. Umble Memorial Park. If you have lost an item, check with the office during normal business hours.

Dear Residents and Friends,

The Honey Brook Township Board of Supervisors is pleased to present this latest issue of our Township News. Thanks to the sponsorship of the advertisers in this publication, this newsletter has been produced at no cost to our residents. The Board sincerely thanks these members of the business community for their generosity and support and encourages you to support these businesses with your patronage.

We suggest you keep this newsletter for future reference, as it contains important information about activities in the upcoming months. Up-to-date information is always available on the Township's website at www.honeybrooktwp.com.

Please contact our Township staff at 610-273-3970 if you have any questions regarding the information contained in this directory or about the services the Township provides.

Sincerely,

The Honey Brook Township Board of Supervisors



John McHugh, Chairman Travis Stacey, Member Tracy Olsen, Vice Chairman

The Board of Supervisors consists of three members elected at-large for staggered six-year terms. The Board is the Executive and Legislative branch of the Township's government that is responsible for establishing policy, adopting ordinances, regulating land use and overseeing the Township's finances. The Board holds a workshop meeting on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7 pm. The regular meeting is on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7 pm. The sole exception to this is the January meeting, which will take place on January 4, 2021 at 7:00 pm..

The Board also appoints residents to a variety of other boards, committees and commissions. Listed on page 5 are the most active groups and their meeting schedules. Please contact the Township Administration Office if you are interested in serving on one of these bodies.

Mission & Vision

Honey Brook Township was incorporated on February 24, 1789, from the western part of West Nantmeal Township. It is classified as a township of the second class, with a Board of three Supervisors elected at-large for six-year terms.

The following mission and vision statements were adopted in 2004:

The mission of the Board of Supervisors of Honey Brook Township shall be to provide municipal services related to land use, police protection and public works in order to maintain a community that supports a tranquil and rural way of life. The vision of the Board of Supervisors for the future of Honey Brook Township is that the Township shall remain a predominantly agricultural community that surrounds a population hub offering various commercial and social activities. The vision includes the establishment of a land preservation program, concentration of non-agricultural uses along specific portions of major arterials, betterment of current low-income housing areas, upgrading of all governmental and quasi-governmental facilities, reduction of non-local traffic in congested areas, and exploration of Township and Borough integration.

Attention:

We strive to deliver this newsletter to the mailboxes of all Honey Brook Township residents.

If you feel you are missing from our list, please contact the Township Administration Office.

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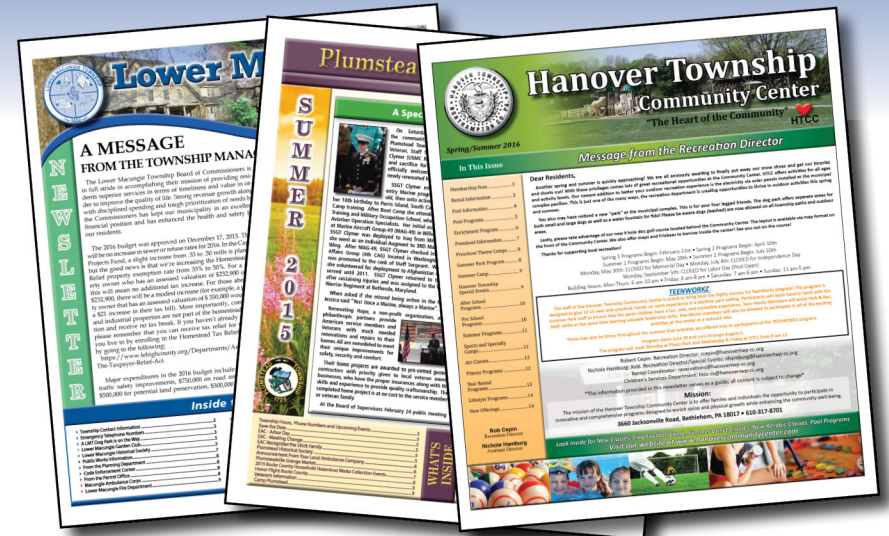
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Message from the Board Chairman

This year has been incredibly challenging for the residents of Honey Brook Township and it has not gone unnoticed by your elected officials and the staff. From the first responders to the business people and volunteers who have worked together to keep our community safe and healthy, we are sincerely grateful.

The pandemic has been brutal to communities across the country and around the world. We are fortunate that the number of cases and deaths reported by the Chester County Health Department show that we have been spared in comparison to what other communities have experienced, yet the losses to COVID-19 we have experienced have been painful and has left us very sorrowful.

Your local government will continue to meet the needs of the community and adjust to changing conditions should this pandemic subside or resurge once again.

Our best hope and prayers to all the families in our area that they can pull together through these difficult times. As a country, we have been resilient through many difficult and turbulent times. We are proud of our community, a community that has worked together in the past and will continue to care for one another in the coming years.

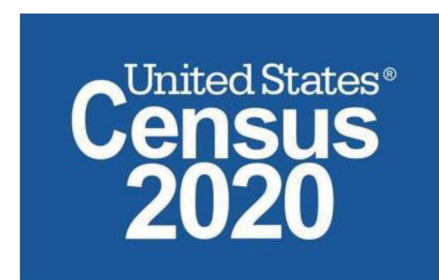
John H. McHugh, Chairperson
Honey Brook Township Board of Supervisors

The Census and the Constitution:

Why Jefferson, Madison and the Founders Enshrined the Census in our Constitution

Summarized from www.census.gov

The U.S. Constitution empowers the Congress to carry out the census in “such manner as they shall by Law direct” (Article I, Section 2). The Founders of our fledgling nation had a bold and ambitious plan to empower the people over their new government. The plan was to count every person living in the newly created United States of America, and to use that count to determine representation in the Congress.



Enshrining this invention in our Constitution marked a turning point in world history. Previously censuses had been used mainly to tax or confiscate property or to conscript youth into military service. The genius of the Founders was taking a tool of government and making it a tool of political empowerment for the governed over their government. They accomplished that goal in 1790 and our country has every 10 years since then. In 1954, Congress codified earlier census acts and all other statutes authorizing the decennial census as Title 13, U.S. Code. This does not specify which subjects or questions are to be included in the decennial census; however, it does require the Census Bureau to notify Congress of general census subjects to be addressed 3 years before the decennial census and the actual questions to be asked 2 years before the decennial census.

The Importance of Apportionment

Article I, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution mandates that an apportionment of representatives among the states must be carried out every 10 years. Therefore, apportionment is the original legal purpose of the decennial census, as intended by our Nation’s Founders. Apportionment is the process of dividing the 435 memberships, or seats, in the U.S. House of Representatives among the 50 states, based on the state population counts that result from each decennial census. The apportionment results will be the first data published from the 24th Census—the 2020 Census, and those results will determine the amount of political representation each state will have in Congress for the next 10 years.



General Information

Township Population (2010 census): 7,647

State Roads: 24 miles

Land Area: 25.4 square miles

Township Roads: 52.64 miles

Township Taxes - The Township collects two types of taxes each year. Earned Income Tax, based upon wages, and a real estate tax based upon a property's assessed valuation.

Earned Income Tax - Keystone Collections Group collects 1% on behalf of the Township and 0.5% on behalf of the Twin Valley School District. The Township portion is used for general operation costs and for land preservation. Like your state and federal income taxes, you must file with Keystone by April 15th each year. Forms are available by contacting Keystone Collections Group 610-269-4402. Call 1-866-539-1100 or visit Keystone's website at <https://www.keystonecollects.com/> to file electronically.

Real Estate Tax* - Residents in Honey Brook Township pay three types of real estate taxes to two agencies.

1. **Twin Valley School District** - The School District collects its own real estate tax. The 2020-2021 tax rate is 30.4668 mills for Chester County. Contact the district's tax office at 610-286-8632 for more information.
2. **Chester County** - Chester County collects its own real estate tax (Chester County Treasurer: 610-344-6370). The 2020 tax rate is 4.369 mills. Contact the County Assessment office at 610-344-6105 for more information.
3. **Honey Brook Township** - The Chester County Treasurer collects the Township's real estate tax. The 2020 tax rate is 1.35 mills; the 2021 budget (which takes into account the 2021 tax rate) will be voted upon at the December Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting. The 1.35 mills is divided among the following: General Purpose, 0.70 mills; Fire Protection, 0.50 mills; Emergency Medical Services, 0.15 mills. Contact the Chester County Treasurer at (610) 344-6370 for information and tax certifications.

**County and Township tax rates take effect January 1; School District tax rates take effect July 1.*



Twin Valley School District (TVSD)

Serving Elverson and Honey Brook Boroughs and Honey Brook and West Nantmeal Townships in Chester County; and New Morgan Borough and Caernarvon and Robeson Townships in Berks County

Address: 100 North Twin Valley Road, Elverson, PA 19520-9310
Phone: 610-286-8600
Fax: 610-286-8608
School tax information: 610-286-8652
Website: www.tvsd.org
Superintendent: Dr. Robert Pleis

Schools

Twin Valley High School 610-286-8600
100 North Twin Valley Road, Elverson, PA 19520
Twin Valley Middle School 610-286-8660
970 Clymer Hill Road, Elverson, PA 19520
Twin Valley Elementary Center 610-286-8670
50 Mast Drive, Elverson, PA 19520

Honey Brook Elementary Center 610-273-3615
1530 West Walnut Street, Honey Brook, PA 19344
Robeson Elementary 610-582-9580
801 White Bear Road, Birdsboro, PA 19508



General Information (cont.)

Appointed Officials and Staff

Township Manager/Secretary, Steve Landes: Responsible for the day-to-day administration of Township business including finances, budgeting, staff, and provision of Township services.

Public Works Director, Don Johnson: As the head of the Roads Department he is responsible for the maintenance of the Township roads, storm sewers, street signs, and Township buildings and grounds including James A. Umble Memorial Park.

Treasurer, Peter Barsz: Provides detailed accounting of all receipts and expenses, develops and oversees all cash handling and disbursement procedures, and prepares payroll.

Building Code Official/Zoning Officer, Technicon Enterprises Inc.: Responsible for the enforcement of zoning, building and property maintenance codes.

Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC), Robert D. Esposito, Jr.: Prepares plans to protect the community in the event of a natural or manmade disaster.

Engineer, Michael Reinert, Technicon Enterprises Inc.: Prepares designs for roads, bridges, and storm water systems. Reviews land development and subdivision plans and works closely with the Township Planning Commission and other government and regulatory agencies.

Solicitor, Christopher Hartman, Esq.: Provides the Board of Supervisors and Manager with legal opinions and guidance. Represents the Township in court proceedings.

Solicitor to the Zoning Hearing Board, Charles Haws, Esq.: Provides the Zoning Hearing Board with legal opinions and guidance.

Office Staff: Kristy Deischer-Eddy and Kris Bry.

Public Works Staff: Carl Brown, Jeffrey Paulson, and Travis Roy.

Township Boards, Committees and Commissions

The **Park and Recreation Board** is an advisory body that makes recommendations to the Board of Supervisors regarding Township park areas and facilities. It also organizes and conducts a variety of recreation programs and other activities. The Committee meets at 7:30 pm on the 3rd Thursday of month during January through October. Members are:

- Lee Heller, *Member*
Therese Mauchline, *Secretary*
Christine Luke, *Member*
- Sheri Zynn, *Co-Chair*
Kevin Wynant, *Co-Chair*
Scott Holt, *Member*

Ray Shafer, *Member*

The **Planning Commission** is an advisory body that reviews all proposed land development plans and subdivision applications and recommends action to the Board of Supervisors. It also reviews proposed amendments to the Township’s zoning and the subdivision & land development regulations. This commission meets at 7 pm on the 4th Thursday of each month from January through October and as announced in November and December. Members are:

- Susan Lacy, *Member*
Levi Kauffman, *Member*
Terry Schmidt, *Member*
- Gary McEwen, *Chair*
Melissa Needles, *Vice-Chair*
Troy Stacey, *Member*

Bob Witters, *Member*

The **Land Preservation Committee** is an advisory body that reviews applications for agricultural conservation easements and recommends farms for preservation to the Board of Supervisors. This committee meets at 7:00 pm on the 3rd Tuesday of odd-numbered months except for the January when the meeting is held at 8:00 am. Members are:

- Shane Hadden, *Chair & Secretary*
Susan Lacy, *Member*
- Chip Jones, *Vice-Chair*
John R. Stoltzfus, *Member*

Mike Zook, *Member*

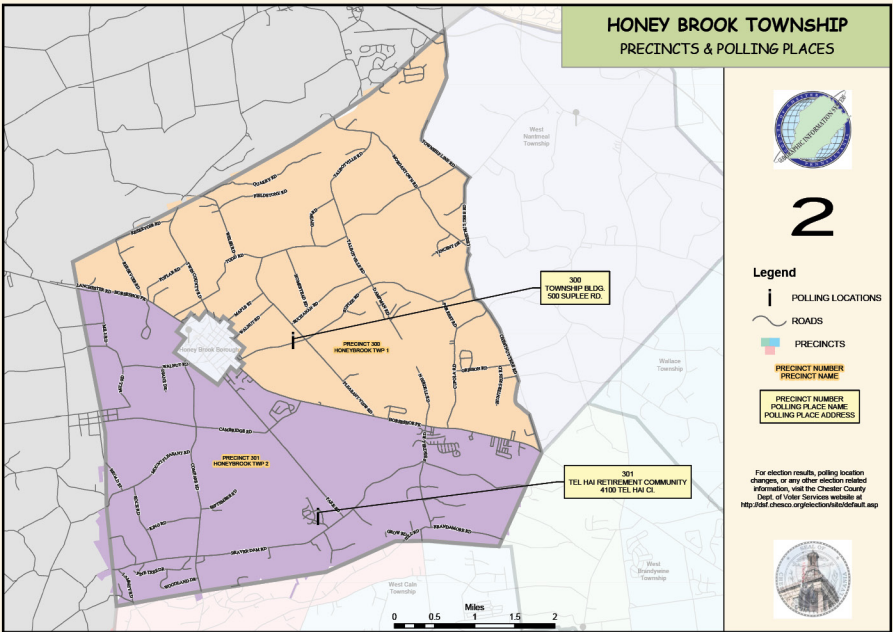
The **Zoning Hearing Board** is a judicial body that hears appeals from landowners seeking relief from zoning regulations and then renders a decision. The Board meets at 7:30 pm on the 3rd Monday of the month **or** as announced on an as-needed basis. Members are:

- John Riehl, *Member*
David Rodgers, *Member*
- Jeff Emberger, *Member*
Darlene Olear, *Alternate*

All meetings are held in the Township Administration Building. Meeting days and times are subject to change. Check the website for the latest information.

Honey Brook Township Voting Precincts

Precinct 301
Honey Brook Township 2
(those living south of Route 322):
Polling place:
Tel Hai Retirement Community
4100 Tel Hai Circle
Honey Brook*



Precinct 300
Honey Brook Township 1
(those living north of Route 322):
Polling place :
Township Administration Building
500 Suplee Road
Honey Brook

*In special circumstances, such as a pandemic, polling places may be combined. The General Election is November 3, 2020; Primary Election is scheduled for May 21, 2021. To register to vote or for voting questions, please contact Chester County Voter Services at 610-344-6410 or visit www.chesco.org/156/Voter-Services.



General Information (cont.)

State Roads

The following roads in Honey Brook Township are maintained by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT): Route 10 (Compass Road south of the Borough/Twin County Road north of the Borough), Route 322 (Horseshoe Pike), Cambridge Road, Chestnut Tree Road, Isabella Road, Maple Street, Morgantown Road (between Chestnut Tree and White School Roads), South Birdell Road, and White School Road.

The easiest way to report concerns about state roads is to visit the PennDOT website, customer care.penndot.gov. Or call PennDOT at 1-800-FIX-ROAD (349-7623) or 610-340-3200. To check conditions on state roads, visit www.511PA.com.



Honey Brook Community Partnership News

The Honey Brook Community Partnership's mission is to bring together borough and township partners to facilitate communication, share resources, and work together to enhance our community. The Partnership is comprised of businesses, interested residents, and local government officials and is open to the community. To receive information about the time and place of our monthly meetings, please visit www.hbpartnership.org or contact Verna Emery at emeryspring2426@gmail.com.

Harmony Day

Harmony Day 2020 was canceled due to the pandemic. Be sure to mark your calendars for September 18, 2021!

Make a Difference Day

"Make a Difference Day" is one of the largest annual single days of service projects nationwide, held on the fourth Saturday in October each year. The goal is to improve the lives of others through a wide range of community-driven service projects. This year, the Partnership will collect cleaning products and food for the Honey Brook Food Pantry. Look for collection bins throughout the community.

Deck the Brook

The "Deck the Brook" decorating contest is held in early December each year. Honey Brook residents and businesses are invited to decorate their front doors and yards for the holidays and enter a competition to win prizes. Awards will be given for best decorated Residential Doors, Residential Yards, and Businesses. Registration takes place in November, and voting takes place in early December. Once again, public voting will be featured on the Partnership's website, www.hbpartnership.org, in addition to the paper ballot boxes at various businesses around town.

Grants to Non-Profits

2020 marked the third year for the HBCP to award grants to non-

profits. This year's recipients were The Honey Brook Food Pantry, \$500; Honey Brook Community Library, \$400; and Hearts in Hands Community Center, \$100. While a celebratory gathering was not possible during these unprecedented times, the Partnership's congratulations and thanks for these groups and their contributions to the community are no less heartfelt.

Honoring High School Seniors

Two Twin Valley High School (TVHS) seniors received scholarship awards from the Partnership: Madison Rice and Tatianna Belloma. Additionally, since TVHS seniors of the Class of 2020 couldn't take part in spring sports or typical end-of-school activities, Heatherwood Retirement Community spearheaded the Twin Valley Senior Hero program, an effort to provide each graduate with a gift basket. The Partnership's gift basket was awarded to Sky Shelgren, who will be continuing her education in the medical profession as a Registered Nurse. Congratulations to Sky, who is pictured here.

Be sure to visit the Partnership's website next spring for information on the 2021 grants and scholarship opportunities. For more information about the Partnership and all the events and projects they organize, please contact Verna Emery at emeryspring@verizon.net.



Township Police Coverage

Honey Brook Township is covered by the Pennsylvania State Police.

Residents should call 9-1-1 for emergencies or the Embreeville Barracks at 610-486-6280 for non-emergencies.





General Information (cont.)

Land Preservation Update

The Land Preservation Program is an important program used to maintain the Township's agricultural heritage and rural landscape. To date, over 4,250 acres of land has been preserved.

The Land Preservation Committee (LPC) gave its annual report to the Board of Supervisors at their September 2020 meeting. Five farms are in the queue for preservation in 2021.

The LPC meets in odd-numbered months, generally on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm. The January meeting is at 8:00 am on January 19, 2021*, followed by a Farmer's Breakfast at 9:00 am. The public is welcome to attend this free event; however, reservations are required by January 12 at 610-273-3970.

*Please note: this is subject to the large-gathering rules that may be in place due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Check the Township website for announcements in December regarding the Farmer's Breakfast.



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Free Car Seat Safety Checks

The State Police at the Embreeville Barracks, 997 Lieds Road, Coatesville, hold free safety checks for car seats on the second Friday of each month. For more information, call 484-340-3248.



Trash and Recycling

Trash Collection

Residents are required to contract with their own trash hauler who will also provide recycling services. Residential developments managed by a Home Owners' Associations (HOA) may contract with a hauler for the entire HOA so please check with your HOA manager for this information. **Burning of household trash, recyclables, and toxic materials of any kind is prohibited.**

Yard Waste Recycling

All haulers collecting trash in Honey Brook Township must offer yard waste collection at least three times per year; once in the spring and twice in the fall.



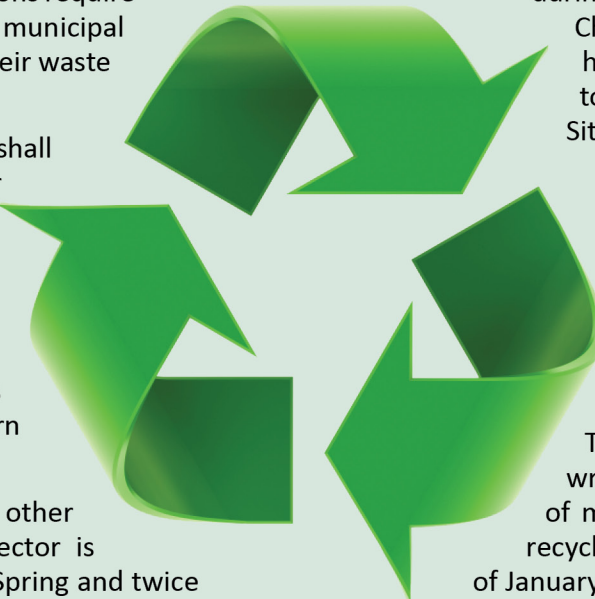
For more information, visit the Chester County Solid Waste Authority (CCSWA) website at www.chestercountyswa.org.

Recycling is Mandatory

Pennsylvania and Honey Brook Township regulations require all residential, commercial, institutional, and municipal properties to separate recyclable materials from their waste and have it properly collected and processed.

Residential collection of recyclable materials shall be provided at least once each week by your contracted trash collector. Items to be recycled by all residential units including mobile home parks and apartments include Glass containers, Cans, Plastics No. 1 to No. 5 and No. 7, Paper (newspaper, books, catalogs, magazines, junk mail, paper, and envelopes), and Cardboard boxes and containers. Check with your collector to learn whether additional items may be recycled.

Residents shall also separate leaf waste from other recyclable materials and trash. Your trash collector is required to collect leaf waste at least once in the Spring and twice



during the months of September through December. Check with your hauler for their schedule. You also have the option of disposing leaf waste by taking it to the Chester County Lanchester Landfill Composting Site. Fees may apply; check with the CCSWA.

Commercial, industrial, institutional, and municipal property owners / operators plus the sponsor of any community special event or other activity shall at a minimum separate all of the items required of residents listed above *plus* High-grade office paper and Corrugated cardboard.

These materials may be stored until collected. The property owner / operator shall annually provide written documentation to the Township of the types of materials and the total tons of materials that were recycled. This documentation is due no later than the end of January for the prior calendar year.

Outdoor Burning

Outdoor burning of municipal waste, leaf waste, yard waste, or recyclable materials that are required to be separated and collected (newspaper, cardboard, clear glass, and plastics) is PROHIBITED. Small controlled fires, such as campfires, are not prohibited, but toxic materials of any kind cannot be burned at any time. Any and all fires shall be monitored at all times and one should keep a source of water nearby in case of emergency.

The Right-to-Farm Act does not prohibit farmers on farms of over 5 acres from carrying out normal and customary activities of farming operations, which occasionally includes open burning. However, a farmer may NOT burn municipal waste, leaves, plastic, or recyclables generated from a residential unit on the farm or from any other residential property. The Right-to-Farm Act also permits the use of newspaper for bedding for farm animals, and the composting and spreading of manure or other farm-produced agricultural wastes, provided that such activities are conducted in accordance with all applicable laws, rules, and regulations.





Parks & Recreation Information

Youth Programs Update



Sadly, the half-day summer camp for 2020 was canceled due to the pandemic. Michelle Zietz, Theresa Androwick, and Lauren Swan hope to return with this program in 2021!

Look for registration forms for the sixth Half-Day summer Camp and other Summer 2021 activities information in the Spring/Summer 2021 edition of the Township Newsletter or watch the Township website at www.honeybrooktp.com for announcements.

Recreation, Parks, Open Space and Greenway Comprehensive Plan Update

A public hearing is scheduled for 7 pm on December 9, 2020, during the Regular Supervisors Meeting about the proposed Comprehensive Recreation, Parks, Open Space and Greenways Plan. A draft of the Plan is available for public viewing at the Township Building during regular business hours and on the Township website at www.honeybrooktp.com/township-government/planning.

James A. Umble Memorial Park

Located at 173 Suplee Road, the park is open from dawn to dusk each day. A walking trail encircles the park and features a Born Learning Trail. Park amenities include three ballfields, two tot lots, picnic pavilion, tennis courts, and a sand volleyball court. A list of the park rules is posted near the entrance to the park.

Picnic Pavilion Reservations – In non-pandemic times, residents can reserve the pavilion for group outings free of charge on a first-come, first-served basis. The pavilion includes outdoor grills and picnic table seating as well as a hitching post and handicapped parking. Check



the Township website for when groups may return in 2021. Reserve the pavilion by submitting a Facilities Use Application together with a \$100.00 security deposit to the Township Administration Office. The security deposit will be returned provided that no damage occurs or clean-up is needed because of the group's use.

Park Equipment Available - Residents are allowed to borrow baseball/softball bases and pickleball equipment for use at the park. The equipment, which is located in the box located next to the front door of the Township Administration Building, is available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please return the equipment promptly after your use.



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Parks & Recreation Information

Umble Park Sidewalk Project

The Umble Park Sidewalk Project is a four-foot wide, 250-foot long pedestrian sidewalk along Suplee Road, connecting the James A. Umble Memorial Park driveway with the sidewalk at the Honey Brook Township & Borough municipal boundary. It was completed in late fall 2019. Pedestrians now have a safe way to walk from the Borough to the Park without stepping into the roadway. See the difference below!



Site of proposed sidewalk on Suplee (before).



Completed sidewalk (after).

Pickleball Wrap-Up

For the second year in a row, the Honey Brook Township Park & Rec Board facilitated pick-up Pickleball games at the James A. Umble Memorial Park tennis courts on two evenings a week starting in May. Quarantine-weary participants were glad to participate in this activity which is already “socially distanced” by its nature.

Watch the Township website at www.honeybrook-twp.com for announcements about play resuming in Spring of 2021. If you’ve wondered what this craze is all about, be sure to check it out!



Honey Brook Township Pickleball Enthusiasts - July 16, 2019.

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Township Regulations

Permits Required

The Township requires that property owners obtain permits before starting most construction projects, opening a business, demolishing a structure or removing a trailer just to name a few. Listed below are common permits that are required:

- Building permits are required to erect, construct, reconstruct, enlarge, alter, move, change the use of, or demolish any structure which involves adding or removing structural square footage on the property. Permits are also required for sheds; decks, patios, and porches; signs; swimming pools and hot tubs; electrical/mechanical/plumbing; retaining walls; and new driveways and expansions.

Please note: Permits are not required for re-shingling of roofs; painting, flooring, or siding; exact replacement of windows or doors; sealcoating a driveway; or other cosmetic repairs, unless any structural changes or changes in footprint occur.

- Zoning permits are generally reserved for smaller projects that are not subject to the Uniform Construction Code; projects that are subject to the UCC require building permits.
- Other permits are also required, including: any new business including home occupations; Accessory Dwelling Units; change in the use of any building; timber harvesting; trailer removal; and yard sales, to name a few.

Permit applications can be found on the Township website under the Permits/Forms tab, they can be picked up from the Township Office or the staff will be glad to mail them upon request. When in doubt, contact the Township staff with any questions at 610-273-3970.

Dog Laws

Pennsylvania's Dog Laws:

- If your dog (3 months of age or older) is not licensed, you may be fined up to \$300 per dog. Get a license at the Chester County treasurer's office or online at www.padoglicense.com. An annual license is \$8.50 and a life time license is \$51.50. If your dog is spayed or neutered, the annual fee is \$6.50 and lifetime is \$31.50. Discounts are available to older adults and people with disabilities.
- Dogs and cats three months or older must have a current rabies vaccination. Owners of non-vaccinated pets may be fined up to \$300, plus court costs. Have your dog or cat vaccinated by a licensed veterinarian, who can provide a vaccination certificate.
- Your dog must be under control and supervised at all times. You are responsible for any damages caused by your dog on someone else's property.
- It is illegal to mistreat or abuse animals. Report suspected abuse to the Brandywine SPCA at 610-692-6113, to police at 610-486-6280, or the PA Animal Cruelty Hotline, 866-601-7722.
- Purposely poisoning a dog, whether it is yours or someone else's, is illegal.
- You may not abandon or attempt to abandon any dog. You could be fined \$1,000, plus court costs.
- Puppies under eight weeks old cannot be bartered, traded, sold or transferred.
- You must have a state kennel license if you keep, sell, transfer, adopt or foster 26 or more dogs in a calendar year. A boarding kennel license is required if you care for another person's animal in your home for more than four (4) hours in any day during a calendar year.
- A Township Kennel Use & Occupancy permit is required for any property with 6 or more dogs over the age of six months.
- If your dog attacks or kills a human or domestic animal without provocation, it may be considered dangerous. You may face extensive fines and restrictions.

Remember, if your dog gets lost, a current license is the fastest way to get your dog back home.

Licensing fees help protect the millions of dogs in Pennsylvania by funding the Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement.



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Public Works

Roadmaster's Reminders

The Roadmaster would like to remind Township residents of two important ordinances as we approach winter:

Chapter 21 Section 302 of the Township Code of Ordinances, Depositing Debris on or Near Roads: “No persons shall deposit fieldstone, rocks, trash, grass, yard waste or debris of any kind [including snow] within the improved street cartway or within any portion of the Township street right-of-way.” ¹

Chapter 15 Section 901, Interference With Snow Removal, Salting, Cinder-ing, or Plow Operations: this states in part that it is “unlawful to park any vehicle on any public street or road during the cours of any snow storm, ice storm, or snow fall, during the course of which or following which any salting, cinder-ing, plowing, or other snow or ice removal operations are under taken by the Township....” ²

Not only is blowing grass, leaves, or snow into the road a violation of Township Ordinance, it is also creates a potentially dangerous driving condition for other motorists. Wet leaves and grass are slippery; more snow thrown onto the roadway causes more work for the Roads Crew. Moving cars off Township roads during a winter weather event ensures that the Roads Crew can clear the roads more efficiently.

¹ [Ordinance 162-2012, 5/9/2012, § 1]

² [Ordinance 122-2006, 12/15/2006; originally passed as Ordinance 61-1994, 10/12/1994]

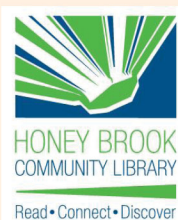
Planning Ahead for Spring

If you are planning on installing a driveway or changing a current one next spring, remember that you will need a Road or Highway Occupancy Permit by either the Township (if it is along a private road or if it connects to a Township Road) or the State (if it connects to a state road). Even if your driveway project doesn't connect to a road, you will need a driveway permit for any additional impervious coverage you install on your property.



Around the Community

Honey Brook Community Library Programs:



COVID hours and program changes:

The HBCL is offering limited in-person browsing hours for patrons as well as contactless curbside pickup for library materials. As of press time, the library hours are Monday-Friday from 1-4 pm & Saturday from 11 am – 2 pm. Please note that computers are available for use during that time and parents must stay with their children at all times.

Staff are available by phone at 610-273-3303 Monday to Thursday 11 am – 6 pm, Friday 11 am to 5 pm, and Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm to answer questions and for curbside pickup. It is suggested that you place holds online for pickup.

Please check the website often, as times may change as needed. Several virtual programs will be offered on Facebook Live or Zoom for kids of all ages and adults. Please check the library event page on the website or follow the HBCL on Facebook. Popular seasonal events such as Trick & Treats for Tweens and Teens and Elves' Night Out will be virtual events this year, with some make & take crafts you will be able to pick up at the library to do at home.

The HBCL has a new website!

Please visit <https://www.honeybrooklibrary.org/> to view upcoming virtual events, search the card catalog to place items on hold for curbside pickup, or log into your account to renew items or see when your items are due.

Visitors may also donate to the Capital Campaign through PayPal. The campaign kicked off August 2019 to raise funds to expand the library. Meeting and program rooms and - of course - shelving areas for more books will be added. \$40,000 has been raised so far. The HBCL needs you to help make this expansion happen for the community.

Fundraising Opportunity:

Amazon -- If you are using Amazon, sign in first through Amazon Smile. Go to <http://smile.amazon.com> and select "Honey Brook Community Library Chester County Library" using the link. It's that easy! 5% of your purchases will be donated to the HBCL from Amazon. Please tell your friends and family and remember to sign in through Amazon Smile each time you use Amazon.

Board Members Needed

Looking for a way to volunteer in your community? The Honey Brook Community Library is looking for Board of Trustee volunteers for three-year terms. The Board of Trustees is responsible for fundraising for the library and guidance for the budget. If interested, please e-mail your résumé to jspade@ccls.org.



Honey Brook Community Library
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Honey Brook, PA 19344
610-273-3303

Phone and curbside pickup hours:

Mondays & Thursday: 11 am - 6 pm

Friday: 11 am - 5 pm

Saturday: 10 am - 5 pm

Browsing hours:

Monday-Friday 1-4 pm

Saturday 11 am-2 pm

CLOSED SUNDAYS.

RUN FOR READING



Virtual 5K Walk/Run Fundraiser will be held from

October 3 -31, 2020

Registration begins online on September 5. Visit:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/PA/anywhere/HBCLRunforReading>

Cost is \$27

Proceeds benefit the Honey Brook Community Library



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Honey Brook Food Pantry

The financial stress placed on segments of the local population, food supply disruptions and dramatic shifts in attendance continue to have a significant impact on our operation at the Honey Brook Food Pantry.

We have increased Friday distributions by taking food into the community and ramped up our service for emergency needs “on demand”. For example, recently we provided emergency food to a senior undergoing dialysis while her husband was hospitalized. We also purchased and delivered a unique infant formula to a young mother who had exhausted her WIC benefits and would have been unable to feed her two month old overnight.

We are maintaining all possible special programs including the Infant-Age 3 Supplemental Nutrition Program, employment support, Garden for Life, Anchored Ministries Clothing Closet, benefit updates, and Kids’ Bags for every child. We look forward to partially returning inside soon and re-starting the Taste-It Program, individual health testing and education, financial advising, dental referral services, and the free market.

November	December	January	February	March	April
November 11 10 am-1 pm November 25 4-6:30 pm	December 9 10 am-1 pm December 23 4-6:30 pm Holiday pickup only TBA	January 13 10 am-1 pm January 27 4-6:30 pm	February 10 10 am-1 pm February 24 4-6:30 pm	March 10 10 am-1 pm March 24 4-6:30 pm	April 14 10 am-1 pm April 28 4-6:30 pm

- *During the first six weeks of our “closed economy”, 450 Families were served, encompassing 1,545 people through.....a 48% increase, including the largest distribution ever (506 people).*
- *Since the outset of the pandemic, newly registered families, each with its own individual story, have increased by 82%. During the past quarter alone, we served 127 new people.*
- *By maximizing all available short-term public food sources and through the community’s great financial support, our nutritious food offering has increased over 30% since the onset of the virus.*

SOME GREAT NEWS....OUR ANNUAL SURVEY OF FAMILIES LEAVING THE PANTRY IN 2020 YIELDED THE BEST RESULTS EVER—OVER 40% ACHIEVED FOOD SUFFICIENCY THROUGH EMPLOYMENT AND/OR ADEQUATE INCOME/SAVINGS.

The community response to our efforts has been outstanding and our tremendous volunteer team continues to be the backbone of the organization, working safely under extremely challenging conditions. The people we serve deeply appreciate your time and generosity.

*Some difficult days may lie ahead.....yet because of our volunteers, our supporters and our friends, the Honey Brook Food Pantry is well prepared to do whatever is needed to address food insufficiency in the area. The community can be **100% confident** that we will be there week in and week out with a great supply of healthy food whenever it is needed.*

Regards,

Kenneth R. Ross, Board Chair

www.honeybrookfoodpantry.org

610-291-0067

Visit us on Facebook @ Honey Brook Food Pantry

Donated food and financial support are always needed. A non-profit 501(c) (3) organization I.D. 47-178665

Alternate Honey Brook Food Pantry Donation Drop-off Point

The Honey Brook Township Administration Office at 500 Suplee Road is a drop-off point for non-perishable donations to the Honey Brook Food Pantry during the Township’s normal business hours of Monday through Friday, 9:00 am- 3:00 pm. Consult the Pantry’s website for the most up-to-date list of accepted (and needed) donation items. Look for the bin in the lobby of the Administration Building at 500 Suplee Rd.



General Information for Winter Storms

- Municipalities and the County of Chester will be communicating with the public through Ready Chesco. Sign-up today at readychesco.org.
- The Chester County Department of Emergency Services (DES) will regularly be providing updates on social media sites:
Chester County DES Facebook: facebook.com/CCDES/
Chester County DES Twitter: twitter.com/ccdes
- Keep listening to the radio or watching the television for news about what to do, where to go, or places to avoid.
- If there are downed lines on your property, do not touch them! Report them to PP&L at (800) 342-5755.
- If you come across a roadway that is barricaded – do not drive around the barricade or move the barricade. The road has been barricaded for your safety.
- Honey Brook Township EMC Facebook page:
facebook.com/Honey-Brook-Office-of-Emergency-Management-115259859876408/

How to Report Power Outages

The Chester County Department of Emergency Services politely reminds individuals not call 9-1-1 to report your power is out. Please report your power outage to PP&L at (800) 342-5755 every 8 hours even if you have already reported it. This helps electric utility providers to understand where the outages remain.

Ready ChesCo



ReadyChesCo is used to notify you during a major crisis or emergency, and delivers important emergency alerts; such as weather, road closures, health, or community alerts. You can choose to sign up by county, municipality, or by topic.

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- cell phone (via SMS)
- pager

Registration takes only a few minutes! You can register by visiting www.readychesco.org

It is free to sign up for ReadyChesCo, and you can choose the type of alerts that you get. Your wireless carrier may charge you to get messages on your device, so check your plan to see what is covered. You can choose to stop getting these messages at any time.

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Honey Brook Borough Events

HALLOWEEN PARADE 2020 - **CANCELED** HONEY BROOK BOROUGH TREE LIGHTING

Sunday, December 6: Christmas Tree Lighting, 7:00 pm. Caroling, refreshments, and a visit from Santa, arriving via fire truck!

For information, call 610-273-2020

Shepherd's Kitchen

Shepherd's Kitchen Offers Monthly Free Meal to the Community

The Honey Brook Presbyterian Church, 4331 Horseshoe Pike, suspended it's meals as of March 2020. The free meals are usually served on the first Thursday of the month from 4:30 to 6:30, and they are nutritiously and lovingly prepared. All are welcome to come and break bread! Upcoming dates are:

Upcoming Dates are TBA

Visit the Shepherd's Kitchen on Facebook (the menu or cancellation notice can be found there):
<https://www.facebook.com/Honey-Brook-Presbyterian-Church-331648382176/>
or call 610-273-2848 with questions.



Senior News



SENIOR FOOD BOX PROGRAM: In partnership with the Chester County Food Bank, qualifying seniors age 60 and older may register to receive a Senior Food Box at Honey Brook Community Library.

To qualify, you must:

- Be a Chester County resident age 60 or older
- Have total household income at or less than the following:

Family Size	INCOME LEVEL		
	Annual	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$17,800	\$1,485	\$343
2	\$24,030	\$2,003	\$462

Fresh Produce Available

On (most) Thursdays, the Chester County Food Bank delivers fresh produce to the Center. Produce is FREE and available for the public (but we encourage you to call to be sure a delivery was made)!

MEDICARE ANNUAL ELECTION PERIOD OR MEDICARE ANNUAL OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD

October 15, 2020 - December 7, 2020

Are you unhappy with your current Medicare coverage? Have you reviewed your Medicare coverage every year? Medicare drug and health plans change annually. Premiums change, fees, copays, coinsurance and deductibles change, drug formularies change. You should review your coverage every year to determine if there is better coverage and cost savings! Any changes you make to your coverage will become effective January 1, 2021.

The Medicare Annual Election Period is the time each year where you can do the following:

- Switch or join Medicare Part D prescription drug plan
- Switch to another Medicare Advantage HMO or PPO
- Switch from a Medicare Advantage plan back to Original Medicare with or without a Medicare Supplemental/Medigap plan and prescription drug plan
- Review and compare your current coverage

Call and make an appointment with an APPRISE Medicare Counselor who can assist you in making changes and guide you in evaluating your options. These counselors are trained and certified by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to provide FREE assistance, with confidential and independent assessments of healthcare options under Medicare.

Counselors will be available at the Coatesville Area Center, 250 Harmony St., by appointment only. Call 610-383-6900 to schedule.

Radon Information

Did you know that an estimated 40% of Pennsylvania homes have higher levels of radon than national safety standards? This is due in large part to the state's geology. Radon is an odorless, colorless radioactive gas that occurs naturally from the breakdown of uranium in soil and rocks and enters homes through cracks in the foundation or other openings. Though typically found in basements, radon can be found anywhere in the home.

Winter is a perfect time to test for radon, because doors and windows are closed, allowing for more accurate results. Simple radon test kits are inexpensive and available at home improvement and hardware stores. For more information about radon, visit <https://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/RadiationProtection/RadonDivision/Pages/default.aspx>.



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School Bus Stopping Law



Harrisburg, PA – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) reminds drivers about the School Bus Stopping Law (view more information about the law at: <https://www.penndot.gov/TravelInPA/Safety/TrafficSafetyAndDriverTopics/Pages/School-Bus-Safety.aspx>).

The School Bus Stopping Law (<https://www.penndot.gov/TravelInPA/Safety/TrafficSafetyAndDriverTopics/Pages/School-Bus-Safety.aspx>) requires motorists approaching a school bus with its red lights flashing and stop arm extended, to stop at least 10 feet from the bus. Motorists approaching from all directions are required to stop. However, motorists who encounter a school bus stopping on the opposite side of a divided highway are not required to stop when lanes of the highway are clearly separated by a divider, such as a concrete barrier or grassy median.

With the passage of Act 189 in October 2019, school bus drivers now have access to a valuable tool in curbing infractions of Pennsylvania's School Bus Stopping Law. Act 189 allows for the use of a PennDOT-approved camera system intended to capture only these violations, which gives school bus drivers the ability to safely document valuable evidence that may later be used to convict drivers who have illegally passed a school bus with its stop arm extended and its red lights flashing.

"The penalties if convicted of disobeying the law are steep - a \$250 fine plus a \$35 surcharge from Act 159 of 2018, five points on your driving record and a 60-day license suspension," said Trooper Zeina Black, Commercial Safety Division of the Bureau of Patrol for the Pennsylvania State Police. "But much worse than this, a tragedy could strike if either a driver or a student is not paying attention to their surroundings."

Some safety tips for students to remember while waiting for or loading and unloading the bus include:

- Get to the school bus stop five minutes early, so you won't have to run across the road to catch the bus.
- When waiting for the bus, stay away from traffic.
- Line up at least five giant steps away from the curb or the roadway to wait for the bus.
- Never run after the school bus if it has already left the bus stop.
- Never push when getting on or off the school bus.

"Student safety at school bus stops is an important priority which requires the cooperation and attention of all motorists," said Dr. David Volkman, Executive Deputy Secretary, Department of Education. "Local school districts work hard to identify the safest locations possible for school bus stops and to train their staff. But to ensure that students remain out of harm's way, we urge all drivers to watch for the flashing lights of school buses and to always stop when students are getting on and off."

For more information on school transportation and other safety subjects, visit www.penndot.gov and under "Travel in PA" look under "Safety," then click on the "Traffic Safety and Driver Topics" tab.



Spotted Lanternfly (SLF) Update

Spotted lanternfly are not only a general nuisance for those who enjoy the outdoors, they have also caused a significant hit to Pennsylvania's economy. The invasive insect, native to Asia, was first identified in Berks County in 2014. In 2020 alone, the spotted lanternfly have spread to 12 new counties, bringing the total to 26 Pennsylvania counties. Spotted lanternfly have also crossed state lines making their way into Delaware, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia.

According to The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, the number of spotted lanternfly (*Lycorma delicatula*) sightings reported in 2020 have increased nearly six fold since 2019. While this figure is a reason for concern, it could be in part due to increased public outreach and awareness since last season.

While spotted lanternfly show a preference to feeding on the invasive tree of heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*), they are not picky eaters. In fact, they have been observed feeding on over 70 different species of plants, including valuable crops of the agriculture industry causing significant dents in harvestable yields. At the Brandywine Conservancy's Waterloo Mills Preserve, spotted lanternfly have been observed feeding heavily on native grape vine, walnut, sumac and maple. They have also been spotted on non-native oriental bittersweet and porcelain berry. It is important to note that the likelihood that spotted lanternfly will actually kill the plant that they feed on is rather low. The insects are a stressor that can cause a decline in health of the plant, and when combined with additional stressors can cause serious damage and death. Spotted Lanternflies coat surfaces with their excrement, known as honeydew. Honeydew, along with sap from weeping plant wounds that result from the feeding of spotted lanternfly, can attract bees and other insects and stimulate the growth of mold and other fungi.

Control Methods

There are still no easy answers on how to put a stop to the spread of spotted lanternfly. The most common suggested control methods remain scraping egg masses, sticky bands around tree trunks, traps and appropriate pesticides. This past spring, a newly designed trap, called a "circle trap," has shown to be fairly successful in capturing the targeted spotted lanternfly and reducing the capture of other insects and critters. The circle trap is essentially a dead-end funnel that traps the spotted lanternfly in a holding tank.

Public outreach and education are also crucial in the control of spotted lanternfly. For example, most people are familiar with the striking appearance of the adult spotted lanternfly. However, it is important to recognize spotted lanternfly in all life stages. Some homeowners have taken matters into their own hands, utilizing some rather creative control techniques from electric flyswatters, bug-a-salt rifles and rubber bands, and playing their own game of whack-a-spotted lanternfly.

In September, the state Department of Agriculture urged Pennsylvanians to squash spotted lanternflies for food security. "If you see a spotted Lanternfly, squash it. Report it. Check your car before traveling," Secretary of Agriculture Russell Redding said. "These small acts make all the difference for our farmers working hard to feed Pennsylvania and the nation."

While helpful, the reality is that the current suggested control methods are not practical for such an aggressive, fast-spreading invader. A small backyard with a handful of trees may only require a few traps, however, this is not a feasible option for a 100-acre property with dense woodlands. A significant unified group effort would be needed to put a dent in spotted lanternfly populations in highly-infested areas.



Top left: adult Spotted Lanternfly with wings closed. Bottom right: Spotted Lanternfly egg mass. Photo by Richard Gardner, Bugwood.org.

Our best hope in controlling spotted lanternfly is to find an effective biological control agent to treat the ever-growing spread, which is an ongoing process. The Penn State College of Agriculture Sciences and Cornell University recently began a study at Blue Marsh Lake to research the effectiveness of a possible biological control, *Beauveria bassiana*, a fungus found in soil that attacks insects. The researchers will treat designated plots of lands with biopesticides containing the fungus and compare results against the current insecticide used by Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. While *Beauveria bassiana* does not harm birds or mammals, the study will also research the effects on non-target insect species, particularly pollinators.

Slowing the Spread

Identifying isolated populations in new counties is crucial to slowing the spread of spotted lanternfly. Penn State Extension's website is a great resource to find the most recent updates on the spotted lanternfly. Targeting these populations with the current suggested management techniques, before they are out of hand, is our best chance of preventing spread to other regions while we patiently wait for a more viable long-term control method.

Sources:

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Why is Stormwater a Problem?

In 2016, The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) labeled approximately 19,000 miles of rivers and streams in Pennsylvania impaired for water supply, aquatic life, recreation, or fish consumption. Stormwater runoff pollution is one of the biggest reasons for this impairment.

Over the past 100 years, streets, parking lots, sidewalks, and roofs have been a steadily increasing part of our communities as more and more of the landscape is developed. As a result, rain that would otherwise soak into the ground instead rushes over these nonporous surfaces and into storm drains, which send it directly into rivers and streams.

Stormwater carries an enormous amount of pollution, including sediment, car oil, lawn fertilizers, pesticides, pet poop (and viruses and bacteria), and cigarette butts. As you might expect, this has many negative impacts on streams and rivers.



- Rivers are the source of our drinking water supply; when rivers aren't healthy, public health risks increase.
- Sediment harms aquatic life when it smothers macroinvertebrates and clogs spaces between rocks, destroying essential habitats for many species.
- Fertilizers stimulate excessive algae growth, causing algal blooms that remove oxygen from the water. Fish and other aquatic organisms can't exist in water with low dissolved oxygen levels.
- Bacteria and other pathogens can wash into swimming areas and create health hazards, making beach closures necessary.
- Debris—such as plastic bags, six-pack rings, and cigarette butts—washed into rivers can choke, suffocate, or disable ducks, fish, turtles, and birds.
- Household hazardous wastes like insecticides, pesticides, paint, solvents, and motor oil can poison aquatic life.
- Land animals and people can become sick or die from eating diseased fish and shellfish or from ingesting polluted water.
- Because groundwater levels don't get fully replenished, springs and wells can go dry.

What can we as citizens do? Improving the management of stormwater runoff can be accomplished in two key steps:

- 1) Find ways to increase the amount of rainwater that can be absorbed into the ground (at home, your business and in your community), and
- 2) Prevent pollutants from entering the water.

Suggestions for increasing the amount of rainwater that can be absorbed into the ground include:

- 1) Disconnecting your rain gutters (downspouts) from impervious surfaces (such as driveways and sidewalks) and directing the flow to grassed areas or into infiltration beds (dry wells).
- 2) Installing a rain barrel and using the collected rainwater for watering flowers and gardens.
- 3) Converting small low-lying areas into rain gardens. These can consist of small gardens of water tolerant plants and bushes that will help retain and infiltrate runoff.

Suggestions for preventing pollutants from entering the water include:

- 1) Allowing a buffer of native grasses and other vegetation to grow along streams, ponds, or wetlands. This will filter pollutants, protect the stream channel and bank from erosion, and provide better habitat for aquatic based animals.
- 2) Always properly dispose of household hazardous waste, including cleaning solutions, paints, oils, batteries, solvents, pesticides, sealants, fertilizers, etc.
- 3) When applying fertilizers or pesticides to your lawn or garden, only apply the recommended amount, and do not apply just before a rainstorm, or near a water body.



A message from Megan Horst

Region 7 Dog Law Enforcement Supervisor

In 2008, Pennsylvania dog law underwent a major reform, giving dog wardens the ability to crack down on poor conditions in kennels and ensure that hundreds of thousands of dogs in licensed kennels receive proper care. In addition to conducting these stringent inspections, wardens also work diligently to uncover the many illegal kennels operating in PA.

Did you also know that PA dog wardens receive human society police officer training? This training provides them with knowledge about what to look for in kennels and other situations where animal cruelty may be present, allowing them to make a justified cruelty referral to a humane society police officer who can seize dogs and charge for animal cruelty.



Every day, Pennsylvania dog wardens are watching out for thousands of furry friends. From returning stray dogs to their owners, to inspecting the shelters where many dogs wait patiently for their forever homes, the Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement is committed to keeping dogs safe. Additionally, wardens investigated the nearly 1,300 dog bites reported in 2019, charged the owners of dangerous dogs, and tracked dangerous dogs' whereabouts. Dog Wardens are committed to serving the people of Pennsylvania as well as its dogs.

A scared, hungry dog is picked up and returned to its desperate owner. Another stray, injured by a porcupine, is taken for medical care. A malnourished mom and her pups are found wedged under an abandoned home. Dog wardens work tirelessly for Pennsylvania's canine citizens in all of these ways. Don't let it end; contact your legislators about House Bill 1504 and Senate Bill 663 and tell them you support the Dog Law continuing its vital work.



Basic Mask Facts

When selecting a mask, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recognizes that there are many choices. Here are some “do”s and “don’t”s:

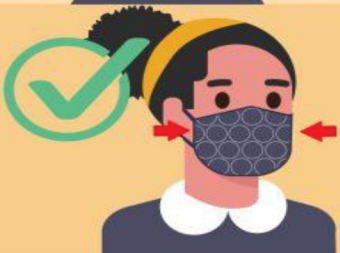
DO choose masks that



Have two or more layers of washable, breathable fabric



Completely cover your nose and mouth



Fit snugly against the sides of your face and don't have gaps

DO NOT choose masks that



Are made of fabric that makes it hard to breathe, for example, vinyl



Have exhalation valves or vents, which allow virus particles to escape



Are intended for healthcare workers, including N95 respirators or surgical masks

For more information, visit the CDC's "How to Wear Masks" web page at:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/how-to-wear-cloth-face-coverings.html>

Special Situations: Glasses



If you wear glasses, find a mask that fits closely over your nose or one that has a nose wire to limit fogging

Special Situations: Children



If you are able, find a mask that is made for children



If you can't find a mask made for children, check to be sure the mask fits snugly over the nose and mouth and under the chin



Do NOT put on children younger than 2 years old



Basic Mask Facts (Cont.)

Do NOT wear a mask



Around your neck



On your forehead



Under your nose



Only on your nose



On your chin



Dangling from one ear



On your arm

How to take off a mask



1
Carefully, untie the strings behind your head or stretch the ear loops



2
Handle only by the ear loops or ties



3
Fold outside corners together



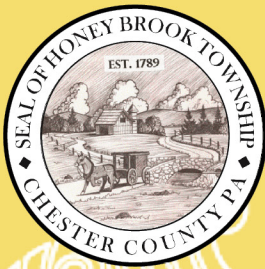
4
Be careful not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth when removing and wash hands immediately after removing

How to Clean Masks

Masks should be washed regularly. Always remove masks correctly (see above) and wash your hands after handling or touching a used mask.

- Include your mask with your regular laundry
- Use regular laundry detergent and the warmest appropriate water setting for the cloth used to make the mask
- Use the highest heat setting and leave in the dryer until completely dry

For more information, visit the CDC's "How to Wash Masks" web page at:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/how-to-wash-cloth-face-coverings.html>



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