# News from Windsor Township



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# Dates to Remember

General Election:
 Tuesday, November 5, 2013

- Woody Waste Collection: Curbside: Week of November 4, 2013
- **Drop off:** See the article for drop off dates
- Leaf Collection: October 14, 2013 through December 6, 2013
- Christmas Tree Collection: Week of January 6, 2014
- Board of Supervisors Meeting: 1st & 3rd Mondays at 6:00 p.m.
- Windsor Area Recreation
  Commission Meeting: 2nd Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
- Planning Commission Meeting: 3rd Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

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### A Message from the Windsor Township Board of Supervisors

Earlier this year, Paul Smith announced that he would not seek re-election when his term expires on December 31, 2013. He decided that 36 years is long enough and encouraged others to become involved and consider running for office.

Many changes have taken place in the Township during those 36 years. For instance in 1980, the population was 8,807. According to the 2010 U.S. Census, the population is now 17,504.

Paul has been involved in so many things. Some of his accomplishments are:

- Held the offices of Chairman & Vice-Chairman for multiple years
- Held the position of Recreation Director
- Member of the Windsor Township Agricultural Security Area Committee
- Creation of the Windsor Area Recreation Commission and has acted as the Board of Supervisors' liaison since its inception in 2003
- Development of Freysville Park
- Construction of the Administrative Building and Workinger Field
- Creation of the York Area Regional Police Department and has been a member of York Area Regional Police Commission since its inception in 2000
- Construction of the Public Works Building
- Held the positions of President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President and Treasurer with the York County Association of Townships of the Second Class
- Development of the Host Municipal Agreement with Modern Landfill that benefits the residents of Windsor Township
- Implementing a curbside recycling program as well as curbside leaf collection
- Establishment of woody waste collection, both curbside and drop-off
- Numerous municipal ordinances including several Zoning Ordinances, several Subdivision and Land Development Ordinances, Open Burning Ordinance, Recreational Vehicle Ordinance, Knox Box Ordinance, Waste Transportation Ordinance, On-Lot Disposal System Ordinance and Snow Emergency Ordinance, to name a few

The Board of Supervisors extend their sincere thanks for the 36 years that Paul has served the Township and wish him the best.

Paul M. Smith, Chairman Dean L. Heffner Rodney Sechrist

### **CREDIT CARDS NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR PAYMENT OF QUARTERLY SEWER BILLS**

Sewer customers can now pay their sewer bill with a credit card. To make a payment with a credit card, go to the Township's website (**www.windsortwp.com**) and scroll down until you see the link for online sewer payments. VISA, Mastercard and Discover are accepted. There is a \$2.95 convenience fee per transaction. The maximum payment amount is \$350.00 per transaction.

# Drivers Can — and Should — Prepare for the Worst with Pennsylvania's New Yellow Dot Program



It may sound crazy, but a yellow dot could save your life. This relatively simple idea — part of a nationwide public safety effort that Pennsylvania recently joined — has proven to be an effective way for drivers injured in an accident to relay important information to emergency response teams. All you have to do is place a special yellow sticker in the bottom left corner of your vehicle's rear window. This alerts first responders to check the glove compartment for, among other things, your emergency contact information, medical history, and a list of medications. And, best of all, it's free to participate.

First initiated in Connecticut in 2002, the Yellow Dot Program has given a voice to people in life-threatening situations. The initiative, however, is not only valuable to those in serious accidents who are unable to respond to emergency workers. It's also a vital tool in less serious accidents when victims are in shock and may have difficulty remembering things. "This program speaks for people when they can't speak for themselves so medical concerns can be addressed

and contacts can be reached as quickly as possible," Gov. Tom Corbett said recently

For instance, when an 87-year-old man was involved in a serious accident soon after placing a yellow dot and medical information in his truck, first responders were able to quickly alert his family as he was being airlifted to the hospital. "When we went back to see him," a family member recalls, "the nurse held up the Yellow Dot folder and said, 'Where did you get this?' I told her, and she said, 'This is the best thing I've ever seen.'"

Where to get a kit:

Pennsylvania's Yellow Dot kits are available from a number of sources, including:

- online at www.YellowDot.pa.gov (click on the "How can I participate in Yellow Dot?" link);
- at one of Pennsylvania's 52 Area Agencies on Aging; and
- at Regional EMS/County Health Centers. [Call (877)-PA-HEALTH (877-724-3258) to find the nearest center.]

The kit includes a yellow dot decal, which you should put in your vehicle's rear window. Participants also need to complete a personal information form that asks for such things as your name, address and phone number, emergency contact information, medical history, medications, and hospital preference. The document, along with your photo, should then be placed in your glove box.

### **Community Volunteer Day**

Community Volunteer Day was held on Saturday, April 27th. The volunteers planted an assortment of flowers and mulched two (2) sections of the bank along Freysville Rd. They also spread mulch in Windsor Wonderland with the assistance of John Stewart and his tractor.

Refreshments for the volunteers were provided by a donation from Jerry and Vera Miller, Metro Bank and Maple Donuts.

The Township would also like to say "THANK YOU" to John Stewart for the use of his tractor, Stauffer's of Kissel Hill (East York) for their donation of flowers, All Seasons Lawn & Landscaping for providing wheel barrows and the volunteers listed below. We would not have been able to do it without their help.

TOWNSHIP MANAGER Jennifer L. Gunnet

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR Jeremy A. Trout

> ZONING OFFICER **Kipp D. Allison**

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Vera Miller Dean Heffner Kathy Fauland Joe Kerchner Chris Shaffer Jennifer Gunnet

## **Electronics Recycling Collection**

On Saturday, April 20, 2013, the Township participated with the York County Solid Waste Authority Electronics Collection by providing a satellite drop-off location at the Public Works Building. With the assistance of Boy Scout Troop #155, who meet at Chapel Church along Cape Horn Road, the collection was very successful. They assisted residents in unloading their vehicles and helped to fill twenty-eight (28) containers. The Township wants to thank:

Connor Smith Tyler Miller Jayson Miller Kyle Dingle Cory Yahnke Michael Lorenzen C. Jacob Lorenzen Matthew Spangler Levi Trimmer Dalton Orwig Mike Spangler Brad Dingle Jeremy Orwig Mark Yahnke Wilbur Brown



The Township does an electronics event once a year. If you have electronics to dispose of during the rest of the year, the below listed locations accept electronics from all York County residents:

York County Solid Waste Authority Yard Waste Transfer Site Flour Mill Rd. (Toronita Street off Rt.30) York, PA 17406 3rd Saturday of every month, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

York Township 190 Oak Road Dallastown, PA 17313 Saturday, November 18, 2013, 7:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

York City Memorial Stadium (Access from Vander Avenue) 1st Saturday of every month, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

## **Soliciting and Peddling Ordinance**

The Soliciting and Peddling Ordinance requires people who are selling goods to obtain a permit in order to do so. When someone comes to your door, ask to see their Solicitation and Peddling License. They are required to carry the license upon their person at all times and exhibit it upon request of the resident. If they cannot show you the license or will not leave when you ask them to, contact the York Area Regional Police Department at 9-1-1.

A complete copy of the ordinance can be found on the Township website (**www.windsortwp.com**) or at the Township Office.

## Kaltreider-Benfer

Library 147 S. Charles Street Red Lion, PA 17356 717-244-2032



www.kaltreider-benfer.org Email: kalib@yorklibraries.org

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- Computers with blazing fast internet speeds
- ✓ Great books & trusted research materials
- ✓ Lifelong learning seminars
- ✓ Book clubs for various interests
- ✓ Kindles pre-loaded with bestsellers

\*\*Join us on October 12, 2013 as we celebrate our 50th Anniversary with a Beef, Beer & Books fundraiser at Kerry's Green in Red Lion. Tickets will be \$40 per person & will include a meal, entertainment & free beer. Please contact the library for details!\*\*

## CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

Christmas may seem like a long way off but it will be here before we know it. Christmas tree collection will be the week of January 6, 2014 on the same day as your regular trash collection. The tree must be free of ornaments, garland and tinsel. NO PLASTIC BAGS. The maximum tree height is 6 feet.



# York Area Regional Police Department



### PROMOTIONS

At the May meeting of the York Area Regional Police Commission, the following officers were promoted to the rank of Corporal.

### Raymond L. Krzywulak, IV

Officer Krzywulak was hired as an officer January 16, 2002 and is currently assigned to Squad A as a uniform patrol officer. Officer Krzywulak has a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from York College of Pennsylvania and formerly worked for the York County Sheriff's Department and the York County Prison. Officer Krzywulak has shown a dedicated work ethic in his duties and a special interest in investigations and arson investigations. He has made a commitment to do well on the promotion process which is exhibited in his scores for the examinations. Officer Krzywulak has received several commendations including for the apprehensions of major felony suspects and he has also received several letters of appreciation from citizens during his 11 years as a York Area Regional Officer.

### **Daniel W. Miller**

Officer Miller was hired as a York Township Police Officer on January 18, 1999. Officer Miller is a veteran of the United States Marine Corps Reserve and currently is assigned as a Squad A patrol officer. Officer AN ACCREDITED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY • www.yapd.org

Miller was previously assigned to the York County Drug Task Force and he has been assigned as a member of the York County Quick Response Team for ten years and has been instrumental in the implementation of the county wide tactical vehicle and explosives ordinance operations. He is currently also assigned and certified as a department firearms instructor. Officer Miller has received several commendations as well as recognition for several group efforts of the County QRT and is a recipient of the Red Cross Heroes Award.



### **K9 "BRANDO" TO RETIRE**

Retirement of the York Area Regional Police K9 "Brando" is scheduled for September 2013 after seven years of service to the department. Brando is a German Shepherd police dog assigned to his handler Officer Michael Sampere and trained in general tracking and apprehension work as well as drug detection duties. Brando has been instrumental in several major apprehensions of criminals during his career and detecting numerous packages of concealed drugs. He has put smiles on the faces of countless children and will be missed as he spends his retirement in the home of Officer Sampere. Fund raising for the cost needed to obtain a replacement

for Brando and another K9 has exceeded \$10,000 to date and anyone wishing to contribute to the ongoing expenses of the program is urged to contact the department. While it is a challenge to fund, equip, train, and maintain a K9 team our department has been well served by "Blitz", "Hank", "Ajax", "Dax", "Harro" and "Brando" who have shown their value to law enforcement

### POLICE MOTORCYCLE AWARDS

On June 29, 2013, Corporal Michael Georgiou, Officer Terry Meyers, Jr. and Officer Brian Dalkiewicz represented the department at a training and skills event for motorcycle officers in Pittsburgh, Pa. In the various categories, Officer Dalkiewicz was awarded a First Place in the Individual Slow Ride and a Third Place in the Novice Division and Corporal Georgiou earned a Second Place in the Individual Slow Ride and Second Place in the Novice Division.

### DRUG COLLECTION BOX

York Area Regional now has a MEDRETURN drug collection box in their front lobby. Please stop by and turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal anytime during administration hours (8:00-5:00) Monday thru Friday.

### The collection box will accept:

-prescription, prescription patches, prescription medications, prescription ointments, over the counter medication, vitamins, samples or medications for pets.

### The collection box will not accept:

-hydrogen peroxide, thermometers, inhalers, needles, medication for a business or clinic, ointments/ lotions/liquids or aerosol cans.

# Info from the Windsor Township Fire & Rescue Association

### YORKANA COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY www.yorkanafireco.org

### September 21: 2nd Annual Car Show

Registration will be 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Trophies will be awarded at 3:00 p.m. \$10 Pre-registration, \$15 day of registration. There will be dash plaques and goodie bags to the first 100 cars.

### **October 9: Open House**

5:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m. Free handouts, kids activities, tours of the station and fire trucks, and demonstrations.

### October 19: 50/50

Doors open at 5:00 p.m. \$10 tickets good for 10 weeks of money drawings and meal of Hot Beef and Fries. Must be 21 to attend.

**October 29: Halloween Party** 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. There will be Costume judging, snacks, and prizes. Cost is FREE!! If not in costume, 50 cents. There will also be 25 cent games with prizes.

### **November 24: Grocery Bingo**

Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door. 20 games and 4 specials of ALL the things you need and use in your home! Lunch will be available for purchase. We will have raffles, door prizes, pull tickets, 50/50 drawing. Must be 12 years old to play. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. Bingo begins at 2:00 p.m.

### **December: Santa Visits**

We will be coming around with everyone's favorite cheery old elf, Santa Claus, in our Fire Truck to hand out candy canes. Look for us in your neighborhood the week before Christmas!!

### LEO INDEPENDENT FIRE ENGINE CO. NO 1 www.redlionfire.org

### Valor Pro Wrestling

Valor Pro Wrestling returns again to

Red Lion on Saturday, August 31 with show at 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and tickets are \$12. Food and beverages will be available for purchase throughout the evening. Call 244-8811 for tickets or stop by the fire station Wednesday nights from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

### **Pit Beef & Boot Drive**

Stop out at Red Lion Fire Company for a Pit Beef or Turkey Sandwich on Saturday, September 7 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. We will also be holding a boot drive on the front pad. You can drive through to donate toward the volunteer fire company and pick up your sandwich! Sandwiches are \$5. Eat in or Carry Out is available and additional snacks and drinks can be purchased as well.

### **Crab Feed**

The annual Crab Feed will be held Saturday, September 21 at 4:00 p.m.. Tickets are \$35 and include hard shell crabs, MD Crab Soup, corn on the cob, salads, chips, cookies, beer and more! A DJ will be on hand to play your favorite songs. Come out the enjoy an afternoon of picking crabs in the AC without having to clean up the mess! For tickets, call 244-8811 or stop by the fire station Wednesday nights from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

### Fall Scrapbooking Event

Scrapbooking returns to Red Lion Fire Company for a fall day of getting your projects in order before the holiday season begins! Come out for an all day event from 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 28. Cost is \$35 in advance or \$40 at the door. Cost includes an 8' space, light breakfast, lunch and dinner. Consultants will be on hand to help you with your projects. Door prizes will be awarded all day long. Call 244-8811 for additional information or to reserve your space.

### Valor Pro Wrestling

Valor Pro Wrestling returns again to Red Lion on Saturday, October 19 with show at 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and tickets are \$12. Food and beverages will be available for purchase throughout the evening. Call 244-8811 for tickets or stop by the fire station Wednesday nights from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

### **Halloween Parade**

The annual Red Lion Halloween Parade is on Monday, October 28 at 7:00 p.m. Stop out at the fire station early for your dinner while we serve up burgers in sauce, hot dogs, nachos and much more!

### **Christmas Craft Show**

The annual Christmas Craft Show will be hosted on Saturday, November 30 from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Over 30 vendors will be present to browse through with free admission. A soup and sandwich sale will be going on as well, so stop out for your lunch! Call 244-8811 for additional information.

### Santa Run

Santa will be visiting Windsor Township residents on Sunday, December 14 from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. on the Fire Truck driving through the residential streets. Goodies will be handed out for the kids.

### Valor Pro Wrestling

Valor Pro Wrestling returns again to Red Lion on Saturday, December 14 with show at 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and tickets are \$12. Food and beverages will be available for purchase throughout the evening. Call 244-8811 for tickets or stop by the fire station Wednesday nights from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

### **FREE Smoke Detectors**

Do you live in the Township and are in need of a smoke detector? Contact us and we will come out and install a free smoke detector for your residence if you are in the first due area of Red Lion Fire Company. Smoke detectors save lives. Make sure to check yours twice a year when you change your clocks to ensure they are working properly.

Call 244-8811 to schedule an appointment.

## **STAY INFORMED!**

Keep ahead of the storm by listening to National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio, commercial radio and television for the latest winter storm warnings, watches and advisories. The National Weather Service issues outlooks, watches, warnings and advisories for all winter weather hazards. Here's what they mean and what to do. Use the information below to make an informed decision on your risk and what actions should be taken.

Outlook - Winter storm conditions are possible in the next 2-5 days. Stay tuned to local media for updates.

Watch - Winter storm conditions are possible within the next 36-48 hours. Prepare now!

Warning - Life threatening severe winter conditions have begun or will begin within 24 hours. Act now!

Advisory - Winter weather conditions are expected to cause significant inconveniences and may be hazardous. If you are cautious, these situations should not be life threatening.

## Compact Fluorescent Light (CFL) Bulb Recycling

Just a reminder that CFL bulbs can still be brought to the Township Office for recycling. Bring your unbroken CFLs to

the Township Office during normal business hours and we will take it from there. Sorry, we cannot accept tube fluorescent bulbs. This is only for CFL bulbs.

# On-lot disposal system (OLDS) management ordinance

Earlier this year, letters were sent to each property owner in District #1 stating that the pumping and inspection of their on-lot septic system was required within eight (8) months. District #1 encompasses properties west of the Delta Rd. and south of Winterstown Rd. The eight (8) month time limit will be up the end of September. If you got a notice and have not had your on-lot septic system pumped and inspected, please do so before the end of September.

In January of 2014, letters will be sent to property owners in District #2. District #2 is the area east of Delta Rd. and south of Rt.624 (Craley Rd.).

A full copy of the OLDS Ordinance and the district map can be found on the website.



Just a reminder that there is a <u>four (4) bag/container limit</u> on your weekly trash service. Each bag/container, when filled, may not weigh more than 75 lbs. nor exceed a volume of 32 gallons. If you are using a toter supplied by York Waste Disposal, the toter is considered 3 bags of garbage. Therefore, you can put out a toter plus one (1) bag of garbage

When there is a holiday on a weekday, collection will be one day late after the holiday. The holidays observed by York Waste Disposal are:

- New Years Day
- Memorial Day
- July 4th (if it is a weekday)
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving
- Christmas Day.

For example: Thanksgiving Day is a Thursday. Therefore, the regular Thursday collection will take place on Friday and the regular Friday collection will take place on Saturday.

Residents are permitted to put out **one (1) large item per week** as part of their regular trash collection. All items must be out at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on your regular trash collection day. It is suggested that items be placed at the curb the night before your collection day.

### THIS COLLECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE TOWNHOUSES IN WINDSOR COMMONS APARTMENTS AND LION'S GATE (FORMERLY WINDSOR POINTE). ITEMS WHICH WILL BE COLLECTED PER HOUSEHOLD:

- a. Furniture (sofa, mattress, chair, etc.)
- b. White goods (stove, water heater, etc.)
- c. Large glass (storm window, etc.)
- d.Carpet rolled, tied in 4 ft. lengths
- e. Mattresses & Boxsprings
- f. Scrap metal 48" maximum length
- g. Car tires only, must be off rims. (No large truck tires)

### **ITEMS WHICH WILL NOT BE COLLECTED:**

- a. Construction debris (drywall, tile, shingles, bricks, etc.)
- b.Batteries and automobile parts
- c. Treated lumber & roofing shingles
- d.Hazardous materials (Pesticides, propane tanks, etc.)
- e. Tree stumps and other woody waste
- f. Electronics

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:**

### GARBAGE/RECYCLING

### Q. Can electronics be put out in my regular trash?

A. No. As of January 2013, electronics can no longer be put out for trash. Check the "Electronics Recycling" article in this newsletter for locations of where to dispose of electronics.

### Q. Where do I dispose of paint cans?

A. Paint cans can be put in your regular trash. Either take the lid off so that the paint dries or add sawdust/cat litter to the can to absorb the paint.

### Q. How do I dispose of a large item like a sofa?

A. Effective earlier this year, one (1) large item can be put out with your trash each week. See the article in this newsletter on "Garbage" for more details.

### Q. Is there a limit on the amount of trash that can be put out each week?

A. The limit is four (4) bags. If you have a York Waste Disposal toter, you can put out a toter plus one bag.

### Q. What do I do if my garbage or recycling is missed?

A. Call the Township Office (244-3512) with your name and address.

### Q. What do I do with grass clippings?

A. Best option, use a mulching mower and let your grass clippings work for you. Grass clippings can be used in your vegetable garden or you can create a compost bin. Last resort, put out with your trash. The bags will count toward your four (4) bag limit.

### DOGS/CATS

### Q. Does the Township have an ordinance regarding dogs?

A. Yes. It can be found on the Township website (www.windsortwp.com) under "Ordinances"

### Q. Who enforces the Dog Ordinance?

A. The Dog Officer for Windsor Township is Hemler Animal Control. They can be reached at 717-235-6213 or by calling 9-1-1.

### Q. My neighbor's dog barks at night. What can I do?

A. Between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., dog owners are not to keep a dog outside where its barking may disturb the quiet of the neighborhood. If this happens, log the date/time the barking is occurring. If your neighbor is cited for a violation of the Dog Ordinance, you will be required to testify.

### Q. My neighbor walks their dog through the development. Are they required to pick up after it?

A. The "Dog Ordinance" requires an owner to immediately clean up the dog's excreta from public or private property.

### Q. Does the Township have any regulations on cats?

A. The Township does not have any regulations. However, the Township is a participating municipality with the York S.P.C.A. You can contact them regarding cat concerns at 717-764-6109. Their website is www.ycspca.org.

### **ZONING/PERMITS**

### Q. Where can I get a copy of the Zoning Ordinance?

- A. A copy can be purchased at the Township Office or it can be downloaded from our website (www.windsortwp.com). Click on "Zoning/Permits" at the top right on the home page.
- Q. Where can I find information on regulations for fences, sheds and swimming pools?
- A. Go to the Township website (www.windsortwp.com) and click on "Zoning/Permits" at the top right on the home page. Here you will find regulation guides for fences, sheds and swimming pools as well as the Building Permit application.

### Q. Do I need a permit to replace the shingles and siding on my home?

A. No.

### Q. Do I need a permit to replace windows on my home?

A. If you are replacing with the same size windows, no. If you enlarging the opening, yes.

### Q. Do I need a permit for a yard sale?

A. No you don't. However, you can have two (2) yard sales in a calendar year for a maximum of three (3) days each time.

# HELP ELIMINATE LITTER AND ILLEGAL DUMPSITES

York County residents, organizations, civic groups, schools and neighborhoods that want to clean up litter or eliminate illegal dumpsites can dispose of waste from a cleanup effort free of charge at the York County Resource Recovery Center operated by the York County Solid Waste Authority. The Authority is working with Keep York County Beautiful to stop illegal dumping in our community and clean up existing dumpsites. If you are looking for a site to help clean, call Tom Smith at Keep York County Beautiful at 717-840-2375 or email him at tls35@psu.edu. Keep York County Beautiful will assist with providing free gloves, bags and safety vests. To register for the Authority's free litter disposal program, call Jen Cristofoletti at the Solid Waste Authority at 717-845-1066.

- Q. The neighbor's trees overhang onto my property. Can the Township help me with this?
- A. Sorry but no. This is a civil matter. You will need to contact an attorney. You can also talk to your neighbor to see if the trees can be trimmed either by the neighbor, yourself or jointly.

### **OPEN BURNING**

- Q. Where can I find a copy of the Open Burning Ordinance?
- A. You can stop at the Township Office to obtain a copy or visit our website (www.windsortwp.com) and click on the "Ordinance" button at the bottom of the home page.
- Q. Can I burn my leaves or tree trimmings?
- A. No. You cannot burn anything that can be disposed of through a service provided by the Township. The Township provides curbside leaf collection, curbside woody waste collection as well as a drop-off. Garbage collection and large item collection are also provided by the Township. Therefore, these items cannot be burned.
- Q. What if I want to roast hot dogs over a fire with my family?
- A. Fires set solely for cooking food are permitted but you still must meet the setbacks of fifty (50) feet from any building whether it is on your property or not and twenty-five (25) feet from any property line.

## Woody Waste Drop-off and Curbside Collection

The Township is still offering a drop off location for woody waste. The woody waste drop off will take place the 2nd Saturday of selected months from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Public Works Building located at 970 White Oak Rd., Windsor. The drop off dates for 2013 and the beginning of 2014 are as follows

September 14	April 12
October 12	June 14
December 14	July 12
March 8	August 9

The drop off is for residential woody waste only. Our employees will be on hand to assist with unloading the woody waste. **This service is available to Township residents only. Photo identification will be required.** There is a six (6) ft. length limit as well as a six (6) inch diameter limit. Woody waste brought to the drop off location does not need to be bundled. **NO commercial businesses. NO grass clippings, tree stumps, sawdust, mulch or flower debris.** 

The Township will continue to provide a curbside woody waste collection during the months of May and November. The next curbside collection is scheduled for the week of November 4, 2013 on the same day as your regular trash collection. This collection will deal with brush and tree trimmings only.

The trimmings must be bundled and **tied with twine** in 4 ft. lengths or placed in a biodegradable bag. Biodegradable bags are sold at most home improvement stores. Woody waste may be considered contaminated if it is bundled with anything other than twine or is mixed with other types of solid waste. Contaminated woody waste would then have to be considered municipal waste and would require disposal at the incinerator. This of course would defeat the benefits of recycling woody waste.

- Material should be one quarter to three inches in diameter.
- There is no limit to the number of "qualifying" bundles or bags that can be placed out for collection.
- NO TRIMMINGS IN GARBAGE BAGS OR CANS.
- NO GRASS CLIPPINGS.
- NO TREE STUMPS.

### Did you know....

- Rain Barrels are an effective and efficient tool for conserving rainwater and managing rainwater runoff.
- Installing a rain barrel is an easy and low-cost way of collecting and reusing rainwater.
- Rainwater captured from your roof can be used for washing your car, watering your lawn, irrigating your garden, washing lawn furniture and many other activities.
- Using rainwater to do these things can save you money by reducing the amount of water you are consuming through your public water system.



Why use Rain Barrels?

- A Rain Barrels conserve water and help lower costs (a rain barrel can save approximately 1,300 gallons of water during peak summer months).
- Rain Barrels reduce water pollution by reducing stormwater runoff, which can contain pollutants like sediment, oil, grease, bacteria and nutrients.
- Rain Barrels are inexpensive and easy to install.
- Rain Barrels can also be arranged to slowly release the collected rainfall to areas that can soak up the water, reducing stormwater runoff and increasing groundwater recharge.



Rain Barrels with the hardware already installed are available through Windsor Township and/or the Red Lion Municipal Authority. If interested please check with Windsor Township office staff for additional information.

## LEAF COLLECTION

Leaf collection will run from October 14, 2013 through December 6. 2013. The Township uses a leaf collector that is self contained and is operated by one person. This eliminates the need for rakers. Remember to rake leaves as close to the edge of the blacktop/curb as possible in narrow rows away from fences, posts, poles or cars. Tree limbs, grass, shrubs and hedge trimmings, bricks, stones or any foreign objects are not to be deposited in the leaves. If foreign objects are found, the leaves will not be collected.

## UNCOVER FIRE HYDRANTS

During snow storms, the fire hydrants become covered with snow or have snow pushed against them. If there is a fire hydrant on your property, please shovel around it so that the fire company can get access to it should there be a fire in your neighborhood. Also, all of the fire hydrants should be marked with a whip antenna so that they are easy to locate. If it is missing, let us know. Thank you for helping to make the fire company's job a little easier.

# **Recycling Program**

Our recycling program accepts all of the below listed items as part of the program:

### Acceptable Items:

- Aluminum food and beverage containers with food debris removed. <u>Labels do not need to</u> <u>be removed.</u>
- Glass food and beverage containers with <u>lids and food</u> <u>debris removed:</u> Clear, Brown, Green. <u>Labels do not need to be</u> <u>removed.</u>
- Natural and pigmented plastic narrow-neck containers with symbols 1,2,3,4,5,6,7 (milk bottles, water bottles, detergent bottles, shampoo bottles, bleach



bottles, etc.) Lids and food debris removed. Labels do not need to be removed.

- Ferrous (Iron, steel, tin) cans with food debris removed.
- Newsprint black and white or pigmented.
- Construction paper, craft paper, cereal boxes, shoe boxes, or similar.
- Printer paper, computer paper, copy paper.
- Junk mail.
- Magazines, catalogs.
- Corrugated cardboard cut down small enough to fit into the recycling bin.
- Phone books.

### Non-Acceptable Items:

- Window or auto glass, drinking glasses, mirrors
- Light bulbs
- Microwave trays, glass cookware/bake ware
- Plastic bags
- Styrofoam salad/deli containers
- · Household items such as cooking pots, appliances and aluminum foil
- Batteries
- Scrap metal

**Larger recycling bins are still available**. Just stop by the Township Office during normal business hours and pick one up. We are asking that you paint your street number on the bin so that it can be returned to you if it should blow away.

On windy days, place a heavy item on top of the bin such as a brown paper bag of newspapers or magazines. This will help to keep the recycling from blowing around your neighborhood.

MUST I RECYCLE? Yes. Pennsylvania law requires all Windsor Township residential and commercial properties to recycle. All recyclable materials must be removed from the regular trash. This is not only the right thing to do environmentally, but it saves money in disposal costs.

As in the past, recycling should not be put out for collection in plastic grocery bags. It will not be collected.

The recycling program and trash collection are provided to the residents of Windsor Township at NO CHARGE. The cost of collection is paid by Modern Landfill as a part of the Host Municipal Benefit Agreement.

# **Snow Emergency Ordinance**

Before you know it cold weather will be here and snow will be in the air. All of the Township roads have been posted with Snow Emergency signs. The Snow Emergency Ordinance allows for a snow emergency to be declared. The Township will only declare a snow emergency when substantial amounts of snow/ice are predicted. Once a snow emergency has been declared, it will be announced on local television stations as well as the Township website. All vehicles are to be removed from the street during a snow emergency. If they are not removed, the vehicles are subject to being towed or a fine of not less than \$50 but not more than \$1000 plus the cost of prosecution. An amendment to the Snow Emergency Ordinance allows for the towing fees to be assessed upon the dispatch of a tow truck. The cost to retrieve your vehicle from the towing company could range from \$75.00 to \$100.00 or more depending on the length of time they hold it. The declaration of a snow emergency allows the Highway Department to remove snow from the streets without having to weave in and out of parked vehicles. It also eliminates the need to return to the development to remove the snow where the vehicles had been parked.

The Snow Emergency Ordinance also requires that snow/ice be removed from sidewalks along a street within 24 hours after the snow has ceased to fall and/or the ice to have formed regardless of whether an emergency was declared or not. Penalties will be assessed for violations. It is not the Township's wish to file charges against property owners. So your prompt attention to the removal of snow/ice from the sidewalks is appreciated.

Every year we get calls that a neighbor has shoveled/blown the snow from their driveway or sidewalk onto the street. Article III, Section A of the Snow Emergency Ordinance prohibits the dumping, shoveling or placement of any snow and/or ice on a public street. A fine of not less than \$50 and not more than \$1000 plus the cost of prosecution is not worth it when there are other areas to dispose of the snow and/or ice.

When shoveling out the end of your driveway, deposit the snow to the right side of the driveway. This will help to avoid the snow coming back into your driveway when the plow comes to your street. Remember, it is impossible to not have snow pushed into your driveway.

A complete copy of the ordinance is available on our website, www.windsortwp.com.

# **Mailbox Policy**

We are asking for your help to reduce the possibility of a broken mailbox or post. The Highway Department employees are very careful and take precautions to avoid hitting mailbox posts. However during a storm, visibility is greatly reduced making it difficult for a driver to see a mailbox in time to avoid striking it or pushing it over with plowed snow. Posts and mailboxes should be checked for deterioration and replaced, if necessary, to reduce the possibility of damage from the weight of the plowed snow.

Any installation in the road right-of-way, including mailboxes and fences, is placed there at the owner's risk. The Township will not replace these items unless they have been physically struck by the truck and/or snow plow.

# HUSSON ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT

The bridge on Husson Rd. is jointly owned by Windsor Township and North Hopewell Township. North Hopewell Township has taken the lead on the replacement project. It is being replaced with a geosynthetic reinforced soil bridge system. This simple construction method relies on readily available, inexpensive materials and basic earthwork techniques to build a bridge faster and cheaper. The thunderstorms in June and July have caused delays in the construction. We are hoping that the bridge will be completed by the time this newsletter is published.



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## **EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT**

If you have driven by or been to Windsor Wonderland earlier this month, you saw people power washing the picket fence around it. Kristopher Ward of Boy Scout Troop# 183 of York undertook power washing the pickets and sealing them as an Eagle Scout Project.

As part of the Eagle Scout Project, he was required to raise funds to purchase materials and recruit family and friends to perform the work. The finished project looks great! Thank you Kris for your hard work.

