

Providence Township Patriot

Keeping Providence Township Residents Informed

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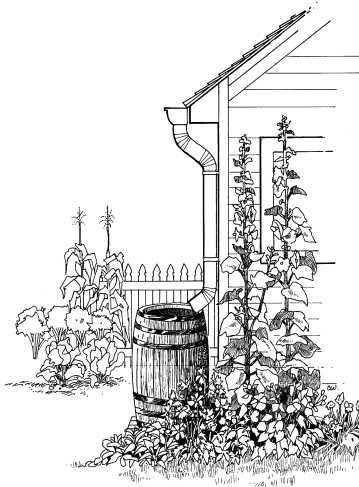
FALL CLEAN UP TIME

The township will once again be accepting woody yard waste from our residents at the township maintenance shed on two Saturday mornings this fall. If you have woody yard waste (shrub trimmings, branches, etc.) that you wish to dispose of, please plan on bringing them to the township on the following Saturdays:

Oct. 3, 2015 and Oct. 17, 2015 from of 8:00 A.M. —12:00 (Noon)

Grass clippings or leaves will not be accepted.

Rain Barrels



Did you know? 700 gallons of water run off a 1,200 square foot roof after only one inch of rainfall. Using a rain barrel is an excellent way to conserve some of this water.

When it rains stormwater pours directly into rivers from dirty streets and parking lots, or into overburdened wastewater and drinking water treatment systems. This poses a health hazard for people, as well as fish and wildlife. One of the most common and easily implemented practices to reduce the rate of water runoff on private property is to install a rain barrel on your downspout.

These containers collect and store rain water to be used for watering plants, cleaning yard equipment, or topping off a swimming pool. If collected in a rain barrel, stormwater can be released slowly, giving it time to seep into the soil. Rain barrels save money on household water use, provide plants with soft water (free of chlorine, lime or calcium), conserve water for use during drought, and can be designed to fit in nicely with your house and landscaping.

Many rain barrels are constructed of UV-stabilized Low Density Polyethylene (LDPE) to prevent warping, fading or cracks. The barrels are generally designed to retain leaves, twigs and roofing materials without clogging the barrel. Rain barrels are secure and mosquito-safe although they do require maintenance by the homeowner to drain after each rain event to assure there is capacity for the next rainfall. Rain barrels should be disconnected during winter months to prevent freezing. On average, rain barrels cost anywhere between \$70 and \$300 and can be purchased from online or local sources.

Serving approximately 7,000 residents and 2,850 households

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Contact Information

Telephone: 717-786-7596

Facsimile: 717-786-2565

Website: www.providencetownship.com

Township Hours:

Monday – Thursday

6:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. *Closed every Friday*

Board of Supervisors

Meetings: First Monday, 7:00 p.m.

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Meetings: Third Monday, 7:00 p.m.

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Zoning Hearing Board

Meetings: Second Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

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Jim Herr

The Providence Township Patriot has returned! Due to budget cuts, the township newsletter has not been published since 2013. The newsletter returns this year with the help of some local business owners who have chosen to advertise in the newsletter. The township offered local businesses an opportunity to advertise in both the spring and fall newsletter for a reasonable cost of \$50 per issue. The township would like to offer its appreciation of our local businesses that chose to advertise! Please support these businesses whenever you can!

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ENOLA LOW GRADE TRAIL The Providence Township portion of the trail is open for recreation. The trail is surfaced between Sigman Road and Fairview Road. The surfacing has been completed through Quarryville Borough as well. The trail is open 7 days a week from dawn to dusk. Please take time to get outdoors and enjoy our treasure! Keep up to date with trail activities on the trail website www.enolalowgradetrail.com.

MANOR TOWNSHIP ENOLA LOW GRADE TRAIL The Manor Township portion of the trail offers a 5.25 mile path along the Susquehanna River near Turkey Hill Point. This picturesque trail is a great place for walkers, joggers, and bicyclists. More information may be found at manortownship.net and select Public Works and then select Parks.

WHITE CLIFFS OF CONOY The limestone White Cliffs of Conoy Township have recently come under public ownership and are now a unique attraction as part of the Northwest Lancaster County River Trail. The three miles of completed trail begin at Koser Park in Bainbridge and end at the unfinished pedestrian bridge on the border of East Donegal Township. Use caution when supervising children. See the trail access guide on the susquehannaheritage.org website. Select Maps & Guides and then Northwest Lancaster County River Trail.

RECYCLING Providence Township residents are required to recycle. All licensed trash haulers will supply recycle bins to their respective customers. If you need a replacement bin, they are available at the township office.

WHAT DO I PUT IN MY RECYCLE BIN?

Glass: Clear, green and brown glass food and beverage bottles and jars should be thoroughly rinsed and lids should be removed. Throw the lids in the trash. It is not necessary to remove labels.

DO NOT PUT IN THE BIN: light bulbs, window and auto glass, drinking glasses and cookware are not recyclable and should be put in the trash.

Metals: All food and beverage cans which are made from aluminum, steel, tin or a combination of metals should be rinsed prior to placing in the bin. Do not crush the cans.

DO NOT PUT IN THE BIN: Other aluminum and metal products like foil, pie plates, and hangers are not recyclable and should be put in the trash.

Plastic Bottles: Plastic household bottles with a #1 (PETE) such as water, soft drink and juice bottles or #2 (HDPE) like milk and detergent bottles. Throw the lid in the trash. Rinse and smash.

DO NOT PUT IN THE BIN: Plastic tubs such as yogurt and butter containers, toys and other plastic packaging.

Newspapers: All newspapers, including inserts, should be placed in strong paper bags (not to exceed 30 lbs.). Put the bag next to or on top of the recycling bin. PLEASE DO NOT PUT NEWSPAPERS OUT FOR COLLECTION WHEN IT IS RAINING.

POLICE COVERAGE The Pennsylvania State Police is your police force. The non-emergency phone number for the state police is (717)299-7650.

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**General Election Day
Tuesday, November 3, 2015**

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December 31, 2015: New Years Day ■ January 18: Martin Luther King Day ■ February 15: President's Day ■ May 30: Memorial Day ■ July 4: Independence Day ■ September 5 : Labor Day ■ November 10: Veterans Day ■ November 24: Thanksgiving ■ December 22 : Christmas Holiday ■ December 26: Christmas

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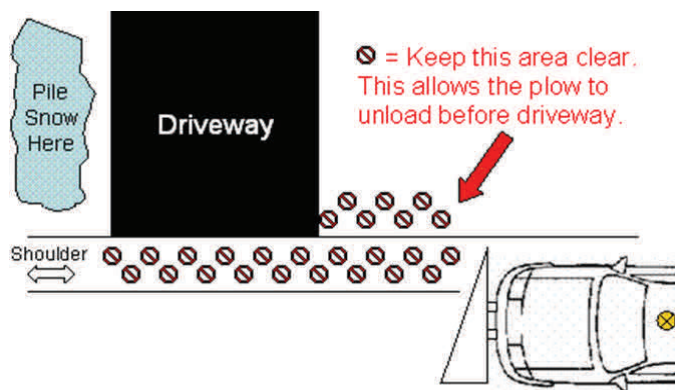
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Snow Preparation

After a snowstorm, how many times have you shoveled your driveway only to have it plowed in? Our Road Department has these tips on shoveling your driveway to avoid this situation. Road crews suggest that you clear an area to the right of your driveway to give the snow on the blade of the plow a place to empty before it gets to your driveway. This way you won't have to do the same job twice. Providence Township asks you to remember not to push or blow snow from a parking lot or driveway onto a Township road. Pushing snow onto a road makes the job of snow removal more difficult and may result in a citation issued from the state police.



Prevent Mailbox Damage Due to Plowing

In all cases, we try to avoid damaging anyone's property. However, mailboxes are often placed in the township's legal right-of-way, which means that the township is not liable for damages to mailboxes caused by snow removal operations. We suggest property owners ensure their mailbox rests on a firm support so it will be better able to withstand the "windrow" of snow from the plow.

Fire Safety Reminders

During the fall and winter seasons, please be aware of the following that impact fire safety:

- **Wood Burning Appliances and Fireplaces:**

For those who utilize wood burning appliances or fireplaces, please dispose of all ashes properly. Ashes can remain hot and capable of igniting a fire for up to two weeks after removal from the stove or fireplace. Ashes should be placed in a metal container equipped with a lid, they can be made wet and should be stored outside away from your home or combustibles. Ashes should never be stored inside your home or garage.

- **House Numbers:**

Can we find you? Please make sure your assigned street number is displayed prominently on your mailbox so that it is clearly visible from the street.



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