

Londonderry News

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Run, Walk And Plant Trees to Celebrate Water Quality at the Conewago Creek Floodplain Restoration!

At the 2nd Annual Conewago Darter 5k, 1-mile fun run and Field Day there will be activities for all ages and interests! Join us on October 12th 2024 at 2pm to celebrate water quality on the Conewago Creek!

Children will learn about wildlife habitat during the game Predator Prey and explore creek bugs at the macroinvertebrate exploration table with Lancaster Conservation District and Penn State Agriculture and Environment Center. The Department of Agriculture will be bringing a watershed model to teach about water flow and how humans effect water quality.

Celebrate **#RiparianBufferMonth** with Chesapeake Conservation Landscaping Council or learn about **riparian buffer grant** opportunities from Lancaster County Conservation District! Plant 50 trees at the restoration site with Chesapeake Bay Foundation and **take native trees & shrubs to plant at your home**, provided by Manada Conservancy!

Speak to Tri County Conewago Creek Association and Penn State Extension about improving your property for water quality and wildlife! Leave the event with a rain barrel from a raffle, or register for a rain barrel workshop with Dauphin County Conservation District!

Attend guided tours of the stream restoration hosted by Flyaway Excavating, LandStudies and HRG. Explore results form the Conewago BioBlitz event in June which identified plants, animals, birds, fish and herptile species at the Conewago restoration site!

Have a coffee or refreshing drink from Lori's Lattes food truck or snacks from local food trucks.

Participate in the 5k race starting at 2pm. The 5k Race will begin on Hoffer Road, travel up North Hertzler Road and go north on the rail trail for half a mile, runners will turn around and come south on the recreation trail for the remaining 1.5 miles of the race! End the race at the field day and check out clean water partner booths!

Join in the fun run beginning at 2:45 on the Conewago Recreation Trail! The race will start and end at the Field Day.

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LONDONDERRY TOWNSHIP

www.londonderrypa.org • 717-944-1803

783 S. Geyers Church Road
Middletown, PA 17057

HOURS:

Monday – Thursday: 8:00am – 4:00pm
Friday: 9:00am – 2:00pm

David Blechertas, Township Manager
dblechertas@londonderrypa.org

Duane Brady, Jr.

Zoning/Building Codes Officer
dbrady@londonderrypa.org

HOURS:

Monday thru Thursday: 8:00am – 4:00pm
Friday: *by appointment only*

SUNSET GOLF COURSE

www.sunsetgc.com • 717-944-5415

2601 Sunset Drive

Middletown, PA 17057

Sam Risteff, Golf Course Manager
sristeff@londonderrypa.org

Bob Gomboc, Jr., Golf Course Superintendent
rgomboc@londonderrypa.org

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Bart Shellenhamer, Chair

Ron Kopp, Vice-Chair

Anna J. Dale, Member

Mike Geyer, Member

Mel Hershey, Member

TAX OFFICE

Loren M. Bowen, Tax Collector
lorenbowen086@gmail.com
2900 East Harrisburg Pike
Middletown, PA 17057
717-944-2842

HOURS:

Wednesday: 10:00am – 2:00pm
& 6:00pm – 8:00pm
Thursday: 10:00am – 2:00pm

Don't Forget to VOTE

ELECTION DAY Tuesday, November 5, 2024

Residents that are United States citizens and 18 years of age or older are encouraged to exercise their right to vote.

Dauphin County Voter Registration: 717-780-6360

Polls are open 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. at these locations:

Precinct #1 – Living Hope Church

3030 Schoolhouse Road

Precinct #2 – Londonderry Fire Company

2655 Foxianna Road

Precinct #3 – Bright Hope Fellowship Church

345 N. Deodate Road



Emergencies - 911

Non-Emergencies - 717.671.7500

**Address: PA State Police - Troop H
8000 Bretz Drive • Harrisburg, PA 17112**

LONDONDERRY TOWNSHIP

**KEEP UP WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING IN
YOUR TOWNSHIP!**

See Important information & Upcoming Events.

**www.londonderrypa.org
facebook.com/londonderrytownship**



**www.sunsetbandg.com
facebook.com/sunsetbandg
www.sunsetgc.com
facebook.com/sunsetgc**



Tax Collector Notes

You should have received your Lower Dauphin Real Estate and Personal tax bills by now. If you haven't received them please call me.

You may have noticed an increase in your Real Estate bill. The Lower Dauphin School Board raised the mileage rate to 20.2 miles. That's an increase of 6-1/2%.

There is an exemption for the Occupational tax if you are over 70, have income under \$6000 (social security, disability, unemployment do not count toward the \$6000), are a full time student both semesters, or are clergy with no other source of income. This exemption is for the occupation tax ONLY! The \$10 per capita and the \$5 township tax are still due with applicable discounts and penalties.

I have exemption forms in the office, in a box outside the office, and are available online at Lower Dauphin's website www.ldsd.org. An exemption form must be submitted, writing notes on the tax bill is not acceptable.

NOTE — Please do not bring your tax payments to the Township Office.

ARE YOU OVER 65? — Pennsylvania has extended the deadline for the Property Tax or Rent Rebate Program to December 31. This program is for homeowners or renters. The income limit has been raised to \$45,000. Only half of your social security benefits are counted toward the total income. Widows or widowers over age 50 also are eligible. Income \$8000 or less refund up to \$1000, income \$8001-\$15,000 refund up to \$770, income \$15,001-\$18,000 refund up to \$460, and income \$18,001-\$45,000 refund up to \$380. This money comes from the State and a check will be mailed to you (or direct deposited). I have PA 1000 forms at the tax office.

Payments can be made by check, cash, or money order. Sorry we cannot accept credit card payments. You may put multiple taxes on one check if you wish.

We do not collect the Earned Income Tax! Questions or for filing contact Keystone Collections, 866-539-1100 or 724-978-0300.

As always if you have any questions feel free to call.

Loren M. Bowen, Tax Collector & Erika Zinkan, Deputy Tax Collector

2024-2025 Meeting Dates

All meetings are held at the Township Municipal Building,
783 S. Geyers Church Road in Middletown

BOARD of SUPERVISORS — 7:00 p.m.

1st Monday each month, unless otherwise noted

PLANNING COMMISSION — 7:00 p.m.

3rd Monday each month, unless otherwise noted

ZONING HEARING BOARD — 7:00 p.m.

2nd Monday each month, unless otherwise noted

BOARD of SUPERVISORS WORKSESSION — 7:00 p.m.

3rd Wednesday each month, unless otherwise noted

Can't Make a Meeting? Board Minutes are now available on the web at <http://www.londonderrypa.org> (posted the following month)

STATE & FEDERAL OFFICIALS

**PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
JOE BIDEN**

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500
202-456-1414

GOVERNOR JOSH SHAPIRO
508 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120
717-787-2500

**U.S. HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE
SCOTT PERRY, 10th District**
1207 Longworth House
Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515
202-225-5836

**SENATOR
JOHN DISANTO, 15TH District**
Senate Box 203015
Harrisburg, PA 17120-3015
(717) 787-6801

**REPRESENTATIVE
TOM MEHAFFIE**
Capitol Office – 159-B East Wing
PO Box 202106
Harrisburg, PA 17120-2106
(717) 787-2684

DAUPHIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
George P. Hartwick, III, Chairman
Justin Douglas, Vice-Chairman
Mike Pries, Secretary
P.O. Box 1295
Harrisburg, PA 17108
(717) 780-6300

Emergency Services

Londonderry Fire Company No. 1



The Londonderry Fire Company is a 100% volunteer fire company that is made up of citizens of not just Londonderry Township but surrounding communities. These individuals may be your neighbor, a church member, or just the person in line at the grocery store. But regardless of who they are, they are always here for you in times of need. They volunteer their time and skills to assist the residents and visitors of our beautiful township during fire, rescue, and any emergency. They are willing to respond to your crisis, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. If you would like to volunteer some of your time to the community, we can use you.

Volunteer Fire Departments throughout the state continue to struggle with membership, we are no different. We need individuals that are 14 years of age or older and willing to learn and train to become a firefighter and serve the community, maybe even consider making it a career. No prior experience is necessary, we will provide and pay for all entry level training and any continued training that is required. If you don't want to become a firefighter but still want to contribute, think about becoming a fire police officer, or someone who can assist at fundraising activities, public events or administrative functions. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Londonderry Fire Company family or have any questions, please feel free to send a message to firechiefs@londonderryfire.com, or by calling 717-944- 2175 X 1.

The Londonderry Fire Company is currently hosting the Introduction to the Fire Service Series for those members that have joined this year and some that are taking those classes to refresh their knowledge (see photo). This series involves four separate modules along with other

classes that prepare those folks for what fire fighting is about. We also have our own In-House Training on most Wednesday evenings, if you would like to observe what is happening, please don't hesitate to stop by.

So what projects are we working on and planning for the coming months? As you may or may not be aware of, we have placed an order for a new piece of apparatus (Engine 54-1, See Picture) in 2022 and that is expected to arrive in the first half of 2025. The cost was \$829,989.00, of which we received a grant from the Dauphin County Commissioners of \$150,000.00. With those costs and the timetable for delivery in mind, we are researching the feasibility of refurbishing Engine 54, which is a 2009 KME, to save money but still maintain a Class A Fire Engine. We will also be applying for another grant from the Dauphin County Commissioners to help cover these costs. The fire company is also researching the purchase of a UTV (utility vehicle) to access our wooded areas, large farm fields, areas along the railroad tracks, and other areas that present a challenge to access with a regular piece of fire apparatus. With the help of our neighbors, we hope to be connecting to both sewer and water by the end of the year.

From the financial side, we continue to be stable but as you may have read, we do have some large ticket items that will need to be financed and ultimately paid for. We continue to work with the Township Supervisors to identify grant opportunities because we know that the tax dollars do not usually cover all of our yearly expenses. Speaking of grant opportunities, we have once again partnered with the Middletown Fire Department, Hummelstown Fire Department, Highspire Fire Department, and the Lower

Swatara Fire Department and submitted a Fire SAFER Grant to update our radio equipment which is aging and becoming end of life. We also continue to evaluate our fundraising schedule yearly, so please be on the lookout for the 2025 schedule in the coming months. The Annual Fund Drive Letter was mailed out in August so if you haven't yet responded or haven't received one you may



Emergency Services



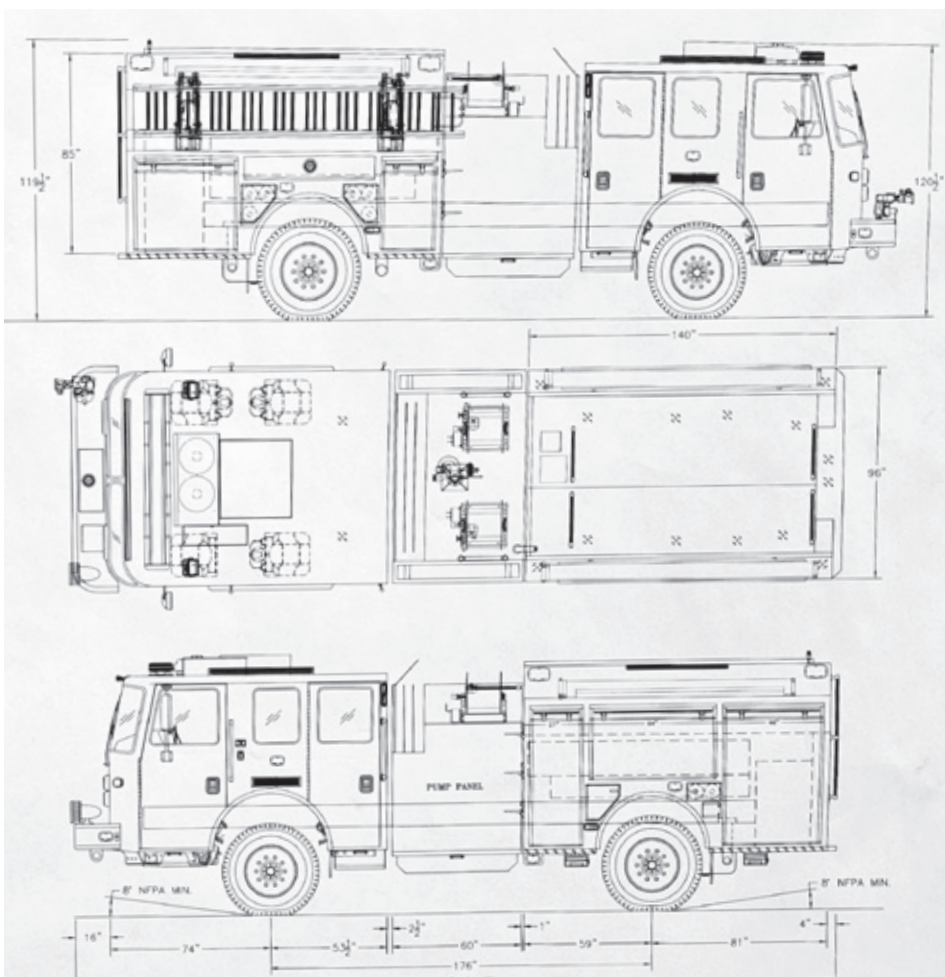
donate on-line at <http://2024fund.londonderryfire.com> or you can call the Fire Chief's Office to have one sent to your residence.

Pictured you will see that Constellation Energy, Energy Solutions and ESJ Decommissioning LLC (Three Mile Island) continue to be contributors in our community by supporting the Annual Golf Outing at Sunset Golf Course. Since the decommissioning began, these three companies continue to share in being the event sponsors and over the last two years they have contributed over \$80,000.00. Also pictured is the contribution of water, Gatorade and other drinks that are provided for the firefighters on the scene of emergency incidents. These donations are accepted year-round and can always be dropped off by the community at any time.

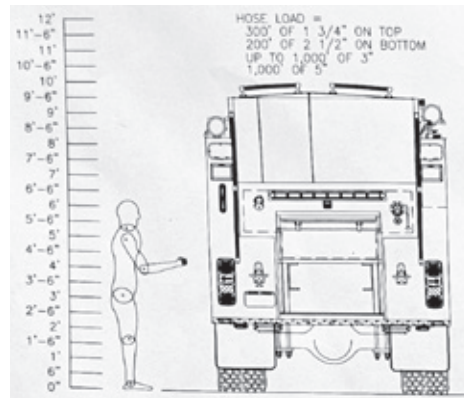
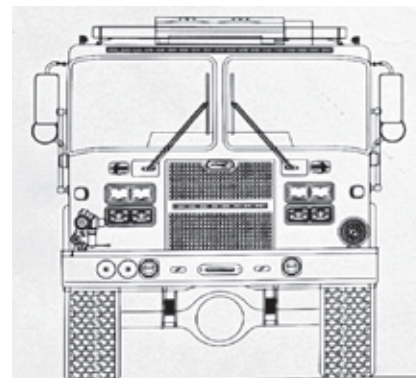


In closing I cannot stress enough the importance of the members of our department who continue to commit countless hours to keeping our community safe. Also, you the members of our community, that continue to support us financially. Without YOU we cannot continue to remain volunteer and keep YOU safe at little to no cost.

If you have ever considered or thought about joining, please reach out to us or stop by to look around and speak to our members.



**Thank You and
remember to follow
us on Facebook at
Londonderry Fire
Company.**



Emergency Services

SOUTH CENTRAL EMS

South Central EMS has provided advanced life support service to the citizens of Londonderry Township for the past 20 years. Recently, South Central EMS entered into an agreement to provide basic and advanced life support to the citizens of Londonderry Township. The mission of South Central EMS is to meet the needs and exceed expectations for excellence in pre-



hospital care and transportation by providing cost effective, response time sensitive, and patient oriented care, through our highly trained staff of professional EMS providers.

Please contact South Central EMS with any questions and for memberships. A patient care representative may be reached at 717-671-4020.

Portable Generator Safety Tips

Take precautions for your safety and the safety of those working to restore your power

ALWAYS

- Read and follow all manufacturer's operating instructions
- Use your generator outdoors, away from open windows, vents or doors
- Allow the generator engine to cool at least 2 minutes before refueling
- Store the recommended type of fuel for the generator in an approved, properly labeled safety can
- Maintain your generator according to the manufacturer's schedule
- Have a battery-operated carbon monoxide alarm to check for deadly buildup
- Turn off the generator and let it cool before refueling to prevent a fire
- Start or stop the generator ONLY when no electrical loads are connected
- Allow at least 4 feet of clearance on all sides of the generator when it is operating

- Keep children away from generator at all times

NEVER

- Never use a generator inside your home, garage, basement, crawl space or enclosed area, even with ventilation, as carbon monoxide buildup can kill
- Never operate the generator near combustible materials
- Never plug your generator directly into your home outlet as this presents an electrocution risk to utility workers and neighbors served by the same utility transformer - have a qualified electrician install a power transfer switch instead
- Never operate a generator under wet conditions or touch it with wet hands (put it on a level, dry surface under an open, canopy-like structure)
- Never overload the generator or connected appliances and components can be damaged
- Never cut corners when it comes to safety

REFLECTIVE SIGNS

What is the worth of your family, your home, or your life? How much would you be willing to spend to make it easier for emergency personnel to locate your home easily? Would \$20 be too much?

You may have seen those green numbered signs as you are driving around the Township. Ever wonder what they are for? They are emergency reflective signs. They make it easier for emergency personnel to find your house at night.

These signs are being sold by the Londonderry Fire Company. We want to respond quickly to your call for help. Please fill out the coupon and mail it back to us today.

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2
3
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ORDER YOUR REFLECTIVE SIGN TODAY

Mail your form with payment to:

Londonderry Fire Co. No.1 • 717.944.2175

2655 Foxianna Rd. • Middletown, PA 17057

Attention: Bart Shellenhamer

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: (_____) _____

☐ HORIZONTAL WITHOUT POST \$20

☐ VERTICAL WITHOUT POST \$20

☐ VERTICAL WITH POST \$25

Make checks payable to: **Londonderry Fire Co. No. 1**

Stormwater & Environmental Department

LONDONDERRY TOWNSHIP RAIN BARREL WORKSHOP

Join
Londonderry
Township and
The Dauphin
County
Conservation
District for
this **FREE**
workshop!



Learn About:

- stormwater management in the home
- water conservation
- installing your **FREE** rain barrel

Date: November 12th

Time: 6-7:30 pm

Place: Sunset Golf Course Banquet Room
2601 Sunset Dr, Middletown, PA 17057

REGISTER & ATTEND
WORKSHOP TO
RECEIVE A **FREE** RAIN
BARREL!

Workshop is limited to 30 participants, register ASAP

Londonderry Township Rain Barrel Workshop Registration Form

Registration open until event is filled

ONE REGISTRATION FORM PER HOUSEHOLD

Direct Questions to Matt Wehrle (717-921-8100 / mwehrle@dauphincounty.gov)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Send registration details to:

Monique Dykman

mdykman@londonderrypa.org

Subject Line: **2024 Rain Barrel Workshop**

Registration

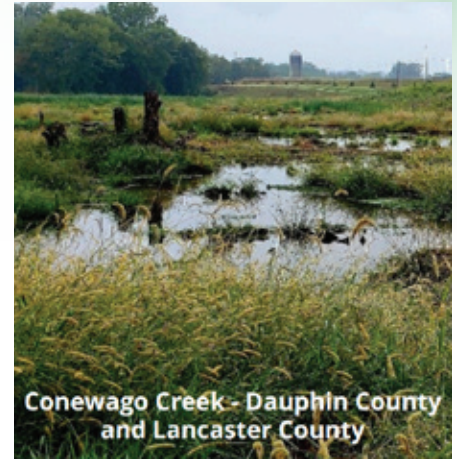
Stormwater & Environmental Department

Wetlands, Meadows and Creek Restoration Dauphin County and Lancaster County

Before restoration, the Conewago Creek in Londonderry Township suffered from steep streambanks, significant sediment deposits, minimal stream buffers, frequent flooding, and high levels of nutrient and sediment pollution.

This project, spanning Lancaster and Dauphin Counties, required extensive coordination and collaboration and was funded by a diverse group of funding sources and partners, including Growing Greener, Dauphin CAP Implementation Grant, Dauphin Water Resource Enhancement Program, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, Mariner East Pipeline II, the Susquehanna River Basin Commission, Lancaster Clean Water Fund and Lancaster Clean Water Partners.

This extensive restoration effort has provided new habitats for native species, reduced local and downstream flooding while enhancing ecosystems, and future mowed walking trails will become a community recreation feature surrounding the stream restoration, as 33 acres of meadows become established.



Run, Walk And Plant Trees to Celebrate Water Quality at the Conewago Creek Floodplain Restoration!

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PARKING

Park at 2771 N Market Street or at any of the Conewago Recreation Trail trailheads

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

2:00-5:00 Field Day

- Tree planting with Chesapeake Bay Foundation
- Tree giveaway with Manada Conservancy
- 14+ partner booths
- Food truck - Lori's Lattes

2:00 5k begins at 2771 North Market Street

2:45 1-mile fun run begins at 5k finish line

3:15 Race awards

3:30 Predator Prey game with Quail Forever

3:30 Restoration Tour

4:00 Restoration Tour

4:15 Rain Barrel Raffle by Dauphin County Conservation District



Sign up Page



Facebook Info.



A CRH COMPANY



The Conewago Creek has been an impaired watershed for many years, learn about our efforts to improve local water quality and how you can help!

See Sign up form and information on page 10-11.

Field Day is sponsored by Township partners including: LandStudies, Pennsy Supply, Flyway, JRG, EZ Go, Genesis Turfgrass, Shull's Tree Service, Golf Cart Services and Twin Pine Electric and Plumbing.



Stormwater & Environmental Department

LONDONDERRY TOWNSHIP ILLICIT DISCHARGE AWARENESS

An illicit discharge is any discharge not composed entirely of stormwater, entering a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System aka an "MS4" aka a storm drain.

An illicit discharge also includes any piping or drainage leading directly into a storm drain that was not initially placed during construction. MS4's are only intended to carry stormwater directly to streams and rivers. Any illicit discharges flowing into an MS4 can pollute the streams in the area, harming the wildlife and way of life of the people who use these streams.

How You Can Help?

The easiest way you can help is by disposing of liquid wastes properly and not allowing them to flow into storm drains. You can also check your storm drains near your home to make sure no pipes are flowing from your home which you were not previously aware of.

Examples of Illicit Discharges

- Sanitary Wastewater
- Septic Tank Effluent
- Chlorinated Pool Discharge
- Improper Oil/Radiator Flushing Disposal
- Laundry Wastewaters
- Spills from roadway accidents
- Improper disposal of household toxins



Exemptions

- Discharges from fire-fighting activities
- Fire hydrant flushing
- Potable water, including water line flushing
- Uncontaminated condensate from air conditioners, coolers, and other compressors and from the outside storage of refrigerated gases or liquids
- Irrigation drainage
- Landscape watering provided all pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizer have been applied in accordance with the approved labeling
- Pavement wash waters where no detergents are used and no spills or leaks of toxic or hazardous materials have occurred
- Routine external building washdown that does not use detergents
- Uncontaminated ground water or spring water

Emergency Contact List for Spill Response

MS4 Department Spill Reporting, contact Monique Dykman if you notice possible illicit discharge. 717-461-0027 Monday – Friday

LONDONDERRY TOWNSHIP

- Township Manager, David Blechertas 717-944-1803
- Public Works Director, Andy Brandt 717.443.5426
- Sunset Golf Course Manager, Sam Risteff 717.943.4547

PENNSYLVANIA DEP

- South-Central Regional Office, Lynn Langer 717.705.4700
- South-Central Emergency Number (24/7) 1-800-541-2050
- EPA National Response Center 1.800.424.8802 US Coast Guard

LONDONDERRY FIRE CO. NO. 1.

- In an EMERGENCY... DIAL 911
- Fire Company Chief, Bart Shellenhamer 71.944.2175 X 1
- Fire Company Assistant Chief, Matt Naples 717.943.0706

CONSULTANTS

- Sewage Enforcement Officer, Timothy Wargo Hoover Engineering Services 717.443.2878
- HRG Engineering, Mike Wood 717-599-8772

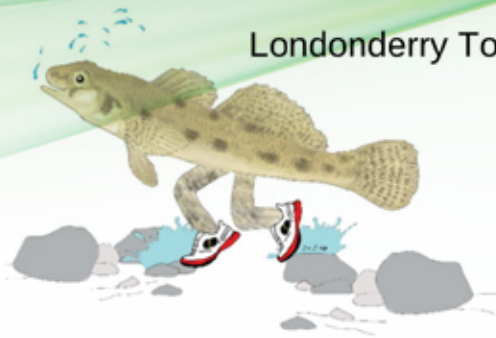
Contact Codes (determine the kind of spill, then contact the appropriate person highlighted in the corresponding color)

Common Spill/Illicit Discharge

Rare, large quantity spill unable to be handled locally

EMERGENCY – Immediate danger to health, property, and environment

Stormwater & Environmental Department



Londonderry Township and Local Conservation Partners present the 2nd...

Conewago Darter 5k

&

1 Mile Fun Run

&

Saturday, October 12, 2024

2:00 5K / 2:45 Fun Run

Support clean water by running,
walking or visiting booths at the
Conewago Darter field day!

Field Day for Clean Water

Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania



Parking at 2771 N Market St
Elizabethtown

2024 changes:

- T-SHIRTS by popular demand
- New course, no bus ride

Enjoy a scenic race along a stream
restoration & the Conewago Trail.

Bathrooms available at
start and finish lines

1:00pm - Registration at **2771 N Market St**

2pm - 5k Run

2:45pm - 1 Mile Fun Run at 5k finish line

3:15pm - Award presentation at 5k finish line

Entry Fees

5k: \$30

1 Mile: \$15

[day of registration available; price increase 9/12]

5k AWARDS: Trophy to Overall Male and Female
Champion. Prizes presented to top two (2) male and
female finishers in each of the following age brackets: 19
and under, 20-29 years, 30-39 years, 40-49 years, 50-59
years, 60-69 years, 70+ years. No mailed awards.

RESULTS: Finish line and timing service by Applied
Race Management Solutions. Race Results will be
posted on

www.appliedracemgmt.com

RunsSignup.com:



QUESTIONS: 717-461-0027, or
MDykman@LondonderryPA.org

Mail in registration. Checks Payable to Londonderry Township MS4

783 S Geyers Church Rd, Middletown, PA 17057; Day of registration will be available

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Event (circle one): 5k 1-Mile

Gender (circle one): Male Female

Age on 10/12/24 _____

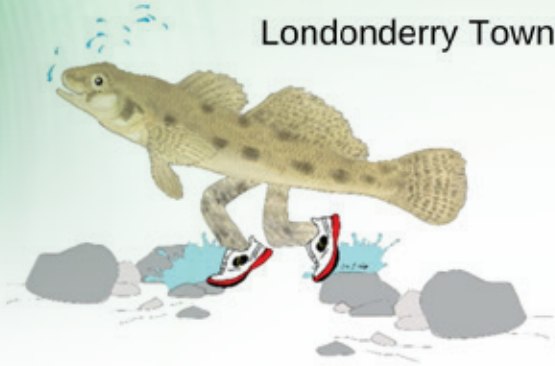
T-Shirt Size S M L XL XXL

Signature: _____

By registering you are agreeing to waiver,
which can be found on RunsSignup

Stormwater & Environmental Department

Londonderry Township and Local Conservation Partners present the 2nd...



Saturday, October 12, 2024
2pm-5pm

Conewago Darter Field Day for Clean Water

Conewago Recreation Trail
Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania

Join local Conservation Partners to celebrate the
Conewago Creek!

Park at 2771 N Market Street, Elizabethtown, PA
and follow signs to the event.

Facebook Event:



**LONDONDERRY
TOWNSHIP**

- Learn results from **2024 Conewago Bioblitz**
- Participate in a tree planting for **#RiparianBufferMonth**
- Tour the **Conewago Creek Floodplain Restoration**
- Connect with conservation groups to discuss **local water quality**
- Enjoy food from local food truck

Thank you to
grant funding by
**Susquehanna
River Basin
Commission**
and
**Susquehanna
Greenway
Partnership/
DCNR.**



SRBC
SUSQUEHANNA RIVER
BASIN COMMISSION
NY ■ PA ■ MD ■ USA



LANCASTER COUNTY
CONSERVATION DISTRICT



FLYWAY
EXCAVATING, INC.



PennState



Notes from the Codes Department

CODE DEPARTMENT - CITIZENS INPUT:

Londonderry Township wants to hear about your concerns. If you are looking to inform township staff about property maintenance, land use, or building code/permitting concerns, please use a Citizen Input form, available on the Township website (www.londonderrypa.org) or at the Township office. This will help your comments to be directed towards the proper department and investigated.

Information on persons filing the forms is kept anonymous to the extent allowed by law. Not all concerns may be able to be handled by the Township and you may be directed to reach out to a County or State agency for assistance.

ZONING & BUILDING PERMIT SUBMISSIONS AND APPROVALS:

Permit Application documents are available at the Township Office or on the Township Website.

Applications can be submitted through the website, by email, or in person.

- If submitting via the website: please follow the instructions and process given (www.londonderrypa.org)
- If submitting via email: please email to BCO@londonderrypa.org
- If submitting in person: please use the service window to the left as you enter the Township Office, ring the bell, and someone will assist you.

Applications vary in scope and each application is different, please allow a minimum of two (2) weeks for reviews to occur. You will be contacted via email when your permit is ready or if more information is needed.

PLANNING COMMISSION UPDATES:

The Township Planning Commission has reviewed the following plans in 2024:

- Subdivision Plan for 1301 Newberry Rd (Recommended Approval)
- Lot Add-on Plan for 4218 Snavelly Rd (Recommended Approval)
- Rezoning Petition for Parcel ID 34-009-048 DTMA Pumping Station, IAO E Harrisburg Pike/Colebrook Rd (Recommend Approval)
- Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for 2826 E Harrisburg Pike (Recommend Approval)
- Preliminary/Final Land Development Plan for Parcel ID 34-009-044 Falcon Crest at Lytle Farms, E Harrisburg Pike between the Swatara Creek and Colebrook Rd (Under Review)
- PC24-01: Lot Add-on Plan for 1013 Meadow Ln

(Recommend Approval).

ZONING HEARING BOARD UPDATES:

The Township Zoning Hearing Board has heard the following cases in 2024:

- ZHB 24-01: 15 Hillcrest Dr, Appeal of Zoning Officer Decision (Denied)
- ZHB 24-02: 1295 Colebrook Rd, Special Exception to Substitute One Nonconforming Use for Another (Approved)
- ZHB 24-03: 2250 Foxianna Rd, Special Exception for Containment of Large Pets and Farm Animals as an Accessory to a Residential Use (Approved).

CODES DEPARTMENT HOURS:

Monday through Thursday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Friday by Appointment.

It is requested that appointments be made to best serve your time when coming into the Codes Department. Staff may not always be available to meet without notice. Please email dbrady@londonderrypa.org or call 717-944-1803.

Building & Zoning Permits

Building and zoning permit applications are now available online, visit www.londonderrypa.org/buildings-zoning.php for more information! Permits will be invoiced upon completion of review, fees may be paid online or at the Township Office upon permit pick up. Londonderry Township does NOT accept cash or credit card at the Township Office, check or money order only. All permits must be picked up at the Township Office. If you would like to pay a permit fee online, please contact the Township Codes Office.

Driveway Permits

All new driveways require a permit before installation. Most driveway repairs and/or replacements require a Driveway Repair Permit. If you are planning to do any repairs to your driveway, but are unsure if a permit is required, please contact the Township Zoning Officer at 717-944-1803 or email dbrady@londonderrypa.org.

OLSDS Update (On-Lot Sewage Disposal System)

The Township established an On-Lot Sewage Disposal System maintenance program by Ordinance in 2013. The program established management districts and required reporting on systems conditions and pumping every four years.

Every septic system in Londonderry Township is required to be pumped and inspected by a certified pumper/hauler that is registered with the Township, every four years.

As part of the program, five districts were established and every property in the Township is listed in one of these districts. Here is a table of the districts and the next cycle of required reporting on pumping and inspection.

PROPERTY DISTRICT	PUMPING & INSPECTION DEADLINE DATES
Sewer District #3	June 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024(passed)
On-Lot District B	June 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025
On-Lot District A	June 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026
Sewer District #1 & #2	June 1, 2027 – June 30, 2028

Further information listing each address and District together with the schedule can be found on the Township's website www.londonderrypa.org or by contacting the Township Office at 717-944-1803.

Certified Pumpers/Haulers

Certified pumper/haulers are those that have registered with the Township as required by Ordinance. Only those companies which have registered with the Township may perform septic system inspections and maintenance per Ordinance Section 18-119.3. Below is the list of certified pumper/haulers currently registered with the Township.

Associated Products Services, Inc.
2 East Rd
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050
Phone: 717-766-5397

Baker's Septic Service, LLC
1538 Ridge Rd
Elizabethtown, PA 17022
Phone: 717-367-7271

Bauman's Septic Service
39 Homestead Rd
Grantville, PA 17028
Phone: 717-469-2463

Central Penn Septic Service *
725 Edgewood Ln
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
Phone: 717-766-1280

Dillsburg Excavating & Septic, Inc.
516 Range End Rd
Dillsburg, PA 17019
Phone: 717-432-9704

Thomas H. Erb & Sons, Inc.
268 Sego Sago Rd
Lititz, PA 17543
Phone: 717-626-5591

Gerberich-Hoffman Septic Service
585 N. Mill St
Jonestown, PA 17038
Phone: 717-865-2015 / 717-867-5024

Kauffman Septic Services LLC
236 Governor Stable Rd
Bainbridge, PA 17502
Phone: 717-944-4308 / 717-367-8228

John Kline Septic Services, LLC
3869 Old Harrisburg Pike
Mount Joy, PA 17552
Phone: 717-898-2333

Kline's Services (Wind River Environmental)
5 Holland St,
Salunga, PA 1538
Phone: 717-459-8029

Sonlight Services LLC
54 Midway Rd
Bethel, PA 19507
Phone: 717-738-2149 / 610-488-7351

Walter M. Strohl LLC
670 W Girl Scout Rd
Stevens, PA 17578
Phone: 717-733-2339

Walters Environmental Service LLC *
P.O. Box 400
Grantville, PA 17028
Phone: 717-469-0588

*** Will Pump Island Properties**

Information on addresses and districts can be found on the Township website or by contacting the Township office at 717-944-1803

Rental Housing Program

On April 1st, 2024, the Township Board of Supervisors passed two ordinances that created a rental housing program for Londonderry Township. Those ordinances became effective April 6th, 2024.

Ordinance 2024-02 included multiple amendments to Chapter 27 Zoning of the Township Code of Ordinances. These amendments made modifications to several definitions and permitted uses in various zoning districts. Those modifications included defining Long-Term Rentals, defining and allowing Short-Term Rentals, and updating the definition and districts for Bed & Breakfast Establishments.

Ordinance 2024-03 established a new chapter of the Township Code of Ordinances, Chapter 11 Rental Housing. This chapter includes provisions for the administration of the rental housing program, requirements for property owners and property managers, licensing and inspections, and other provisions related specifically to rental housing.

Any individual who owns a property that is NOT owner occupied, within Londonderry Township, should contact the Codes Department.

Rental Permit Applications are available on the Township website (www.londonderrypa.org) and at the Township office.

Applications for 2025 should be submitted starting October 1st 2024.

Rental permits/licenses issued by the Township are valid from January 1st to December 31st. Licenses issued for part of a year are not pro-rated for fees and expire December 31st of the year that they are issued. Renewal of licenses shall occur no later than 30 days prior to the expiration of the current license. Late fees may be assessed for filing after the deadline.

Any rental property discovered in the Township that is required to register or does not meet the ordinance provisions will be subject to enforcement action. Please contact the Codes Department to discuss registration of rental properties.

Please contact the Township Codes Department for more information at 717-944-1803 or visit our website at www.londonderrypa.org.

In 2024 the Board of Supervisors Has Taken the Following Actions

- Approved the Final Subdivision Plan for Rekah Tolani, LLC.
- Approved the Township engineer to apply for a Susquehanna River Basin Commission grant for design and permitting of Phase Four of the Conewago Creek Project.
- Approved a proposal from HRG Engineers to carry out permitting, bidding and inspection of new flashing warning signals at the intersection of Colebrook Rd. and Schoolhouse Rd. The project is partially funded by a 2022 ARLE Grant.
- Approved a Pre/Final Subdivision Plan for Michael and Rachel E. Buggy.
- Approved purchase of a 2024 Aluma 1020H Utility Trailer from Tool Shed of America, the lowest of five quotes.
- Approved construction of the batting cage at Sunset Park by Londonderry Athletic Association.
- Approved staff to apply for Low Volume Dirt and Gravel Road Grant for 4 projects:
 1. Hoffer Road – 600 ft. east of North Market Street (Rt 230): replacement of the storm sewer pipe
 2. Hoffer Road – 1,600 ft. east of North Market Street: storm sewer pipe replacement, swale work and install u-drain
 3. N. Geyers Church Rd (off of Colebrook Rd): swale work and paving restoration
 4. Brinser Rd/Hickory Lane: (1) Replace storm sewer pipe or (2) Replace storm sewer pipes and build swale
- Approved an Inter-Governmental Agency Agreement with Derry Township under Resolution 2024-10 for re-paving a portion of Shopes Church Road.
- Approved Londonderry Township Volunteer Fire Police to participate in multiple events.
- Approved a proposal from Gorski Engineering Inc. for the design services of the Administration Building Renovation Project.
- Approved Ordinance 2024-05, altering the Zoning Ordinance Chapter 27 and the Zoning map to re-zone a portion of the land held on record by Derry Township Municipal Authority changing from R2 to C2.
- Approved a notice of intent to award the lowest bidder, Land Studies Incorporated, a contract for the maintenance and monitoring of the Conewago Creek Restoration Project Phases 1-3 for up to five years at the project site.

On September 3, 2024, the Board of Supervisors added Snavelly Road, from Round Top Road to Steinruck Road, to the list of streets in the Township where on-street parking is prohibited. The reason for this change is to allow the safe movement of trucks, buses, farm equipment, and other traffic at all times. This change is now in effect and violations can result in a fine.

Stray & Feral/Wild Animals, Dog Licenses

OTHER SPAY/NEUTER CLINICS

PETS

FERAL/WILD

Helping Hands for Animals 717-687-7297
helpinghandsforanimals.org

X

X

Friends of All Animals 717-272-6466
FriendsofAllAnimals.org

X

X

Greys & Strays 717-304-9987
GreysandStrays.com

X

X

Humane Society of Harrisburg 717-564-3320
HumaneSocietyHbg.org

X

X

Nobody's Cats Foundation 855-867-4228
NobodysCats.org

X

PAWS of PA 717-957-8122
PawsofPa.org

X

X

SNAP (Spay Neuter Assistance Program)
717-732-5377 SnapofPa.org

X

X

York County SPCA 717-764-6109
ycspca.org

X

X



THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF HARRISBURG

7790 Grayson Road, Harrisburg • (717) 564-3320 • SPAYING/NEUTERING BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

NO APPOINTMENT IS NEEDED TO SURRENDER ANIMALS

Animal Surrender Forms — Animal surrender forms are for stray cats and dogs. Before bringing the animal to the Humane Society, residents must first obtain an animal surrender form. Forms are available at the Township office Monday - Thursday 8am - 4pm and Fridays 9am- 2pm. Proof of residency is required.

Trap and Release (TNR) — The Humane Society now offers low-cost TNR services. They can accommodate up to 2 walk-ins per day on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. The cost is \$50 and includes spaying/neutering, ear tip and vaccines. No appointment is needed. Residents can also schedule TNR appointments by calling 717-702-7330 to guarantee an appointment for a specific day.

Dog Licenses — Residents may purchase a license online at **PADogLicense.com**. Lifetime licenses are available at the Treasurer's Office at **DauphinCounty.org**.





Londonderry Township Recycling Center

FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The yard waste/recycling yard is now located behind the salt storage shed at 2501 Sunset Drive. Hours of operation are dawn to dusk, 7 days a week.

ONLY GRASS, YARD WASTE AND TREE LIMBS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Dumping of trash of any kind is prohibited. Brush and leaves can be taken to Zeagers Mulch at 4000 E. Harrisburg Pike in Middletown. They will not accept grass or weeds. Please be aware that as of January 1, 2024 Zeagers Mulch is charging a fee for material being dropped off.

For more information on what items Zeagers Mulch will accept and what their rates are, give them a call at 717-944-8481.

Watch the Township newsletter, website and Facebook for any changes.

Dauphin County Recycling Center

1625 S. Cameron Street | Harrisburg

Phone: 717-982-6772 • Illegal Dumping Hotline: 717-255-2677

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30pm– 4:15pm NO Saturdays or Holidays

Recycle for FREE

- Televisions
- Laptops
- Cables
- Printers
- DVD players
- Tablets (IPads, etc.)
- Computer peripherals
- Computer monitors (all types)
- Networking equipment
- Computers
- Cell phones
- Copiers
- VCR's
- E-Readers

To dispose of hazardous waste such as oil drums, insecticides, spray cans, poisons, please call 800-449-7587.

Miscellaneous:

- Major appliances (stove, dishwasher, etc.)
- Polystyrene (styrofoam)
- Mercury thermostats only – no other mercury containing devices accepted!

Recycle for A FEE:

PAPER SHREDDING: \$5 per box/bag
Residents may stay to watch their material be shredded

APPLIANCES W/REFRIGERANT:

- \$20 per unit – refrigerators, air conditions, freezers, dehumidifiers

Conewago Township Recycling Center

3279 Old Hershey Road • Hershey, PA • 717-534-8556

HOUSEHOLD GOODS –

Dauphin County has designated Conewago Township as the local recycling center. No permit is required and there is no charge to residents. Items that may be brought to the Recycling Center are:

- Magazines/office paper/junk mail/phone books
- Corrugated cardboard & boxboard
- Newspapers & inserts
- Plastic bottles with recycling symbols on them
- Aluminum & tin cans

Glass bottles and jars are no longer accepted. Place these items with regular trash as they are biodegradable.

SCRAP METAL RECYCLING FACILITIES

Consolidated Scrap Resources

1616 N. Cameron Street • Harrisburg, PA • 717-289-0341

ITEMS THAT WILL BE ACCEPTED:

- Aluminum, brass, copper
- Appliances – CSR will pay scrap value of appliances minus the refrigerant removal cost.
- Auto and truck radiators
- Lead and vehicle batteries
- Scrap iron and steel, scrap vehicles

Royalton Recycling

3 Hollendale Street • Middletown, PA
717-944-4823

ITEMS THAT WILL BE ACCEPTED:

- Aluminum
- Copper
- Lead
- Insulated aluminum and copper wire
- Brass
- Radiators
- Steel

2024 Public Works Actions

The Londonderry Township Public Works Department has been busy in 2024. Here is a list of some work and projects that have been done so far.

- Lark St: cut off top of storm sewer pipe, placed grate over top of pipe to make it safe, graded and seeded swale
- Lauffer Road (off of Newberry Road): replaced storm sewer pipe, new pavement
- Shopes Church Road: paved with Flexible Base Asphalt, chip sealed
- S Geyers Church Road: replaced storm sewer pipe
- Installed, replaced and repaired street signs
- Made permanent pot hole repairs
- Cleaned roadside gutters
- Trimmed trees
- Mowed roadsides
- Painted lines on the following Township roads:
 - S Geyers Church Road
 - Pecks Road
- Locust Grove Road
- Whitman Ln - S Deodate Road to Epler Road
- Schoolhouse Road – E Harrisburg Pike to Colebrook Road
- Schoolhouse Road – Vine St to Swatara Creek Road
- Swatara Creek Road
- Newberry Road
- Miller Road
- Round Top Road
- Sand Hill Road
- Steinruck Road
- Roush Road
- Red Bridge Road

Winter Maintenance and Snow Removal

Like it or not, it will be cold and snowy again soon. The Londonderry Township Public Works Department is ready for the winter season.

We are always looking to recruit part-time snow plow truck drivers, CDL and non-CDLS. If you or anyone you know is interested, please complete an application on the Township website.

When we are not performing winter maintenance on our roads, we will be doing other maintenance work on various Township roads. Please be alert for Work Area signs, equipment and Public Works employees.

The following are additional reminders for snow removal:

- Do not place snow on Township roads, in drainage ditches or over storm drains. If you have a storm drain in front of your property, please keep it clear of leaves and debris.
- If you have a basketball net that hangs over any portion of a Township road, please remove it. It is a hazard for passing vehicles, including garbage trucks, delivery trucks and especially snow plows that need to get close to the curbing and the edge of the road.
- Residents should take the time to secure loose or broken mailboxes, fences or other property that lies within close proximity to the roadways, to prevent damage from normal snow plowing operations.
- When snow falls, please be patient. Our crews salt 67 miles and plow 135 lane miles of Township and State roads. We will do our best to get a plow truck to your street as quickly as possible.

- If you clear your driveway before the street is plowed, pushing or blowing of snow into the streets is not permissible. When the plow truck comes by, the snow will inevitably end up back on your property. It is NOT the responsibility of the Township to clear the end of your driveway once the plow has passed through.
- When a snowstorm is forecast, remove all vehicles from Township roads so the entire road can be plowed.
- Plowing main arteries will be our first priority, followed by secondary roads and then developments.
- Sidewalks and fire hydrants must be cleared within 24 hours after the end of a snow or ice event.

Please call the public works department at 717-944-9440 with any questions or concerns relating to potential roadway and/or winter maintenance.

Vehicles Parked on Roads During Winter

Vehicles parked on Township roads during snow storms are not only a hindrance to properly clear the road, but also pose a safety hazard to the vehicle and Township equipment.

During all snow events, please remove all vehicles from the road until the snow is cleared.

If any vehicle(s) are parked in any area that will make our job more difficult, your road will not get plowed until the vehicle(s) are removed from the road.

If you don't have room to park your vehicles in your own driveway, ask a neighbor who might have a space to park.

Community Outreach

Londonderry Lionettes

The Londonderry Lionettes continue to serve Londonderry Township, surrounding communities, and statewide through their service projects. Meetings are held at the Londonderry Fire Company at 1:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of February thru May, and September thru November. Special activities are held in June and December.

Projects for 2024 include:

- Provide healthy snack bags for Meals on Wheels clients and adopted grandmothers at Oak Hill Village Retirement Home.
- Provide Halloween bags for residents at Merakey (Allegheny Valley School), a non-profit organization which provides a home and a full range of services to individuals with all levels of disabilities.
- Sponsor an art contest for 4th graders at Londonderry Elementary School.
- Donate food items for the Middletown Food Bank.
- Make a donation to the Londonderry Fire Company.
- Purchase gloves and hats for Christmas baskets at Londonderry Elementary School.
- Collect used eyeglasses (see separate article) for the Pennsylvania Lions Club. To date, the Lionettes have collected 2,592 pairs of eyeglasses since the project began ten years ago. They also collect aluminum beverage and can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Both of these are ongoing projects.

Monthly Programs for this Year Include:

- September 4 – Deborah Weaver on her Southeast Asia visit.
- October 2 – “Indigenous Peoples Day” by Jeanie Dunaway, Historical Society of Middletown
- November 6 – Buttons, Buttons, Whose Got the Buttons.
- December 4 – Christmas party.

All ladies in Londonderry Township are invited to join the Lionettes and help make a difference in our community. For more information, call Louise Morgan at 717-944-6518

Londonderry Lionettes

CHANGE LIVES, ONE PAIR AT A TIME

The Londonderry Lionettes are collecting used eyeglasses. The eyeglasses are sent to a local Lions Club who forwards them to the Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center. There the eyeglasses are cleaned, sorted by prescription strength, packaged and distributed to people in need in low and middle-income communities. The Lions Club does not accept sunglasses, eyeglass cases, or loose lenses.

A collection box for eyeglasses has been placed at Karns; Londonderry Elementary School; Londonderry Township Building; Evangelical U.M. Church; St. Peters Lutheran Church; Presbyterian Church, Church of God; Geyers United Methodist Church and New Beginnings Church.

Meals on Wheels

Are you over age 60, home bound because of physical, mental, or emotional disability and without a caregiver who is able to provide meals on a regular basis?

If so, the Dauphin County Area Agency on Aging can help by providing a well-balanced hot meal to residents of Dauphin County who have been determined to be eligible for the program by the Agency's Care Management Unit.

Meals are delivered Monday through Friday by volunteers who observe, in their brief contact, the well-being of the homebound individual receiving the meal. Volunteers are recruited by community Meals-on-Wheels volunteer groups.

Recipients are encouraged to make a voluntary contribution toward the cost of the meals according to their financial ability. To request home delivered meals, please call the Dauphin County Area Agency on Aging at 717-780-6130 and ask for Intake.

If you are interested in being a volunteer, please call Louise Morgan, Londonderry Township's Meals on Wheels coordinator, at 717-944-6518.

Help the Ronald McDonald House

Aluminum tabs from beverage cans and canned goods are collected (if the tab does not stick to a magnet, it is aluminum). The tabs are sent to the Ronald McDonald House in Hershey which sells the tabs to a local recycling company. Funds generated help support their programs. Collection boxes have been placed at the Londonderry Township Building and at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Hummelstown.

If you would like to have a collection box in your workplace, church or business to help support either of these programs, please contact: Anita Housman at 717-756-7467 or Louise Morgan at 717-944-6518.

Volunteer Application

Please mail to:

LONDONDERRY TOWNSHIP • 783 S. Geyers Church Road • Middletown, PA 17057



PLEASE VOLUNTEER TODAY!

Date: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

Name: _____

Address: _____
Street City Zip

Email: _____

I would be interested in Volunteering for the following organizations:

☐ Londonderry Lionettes

☐ Meals on Wheels

☐ VIP Van Service

I would be interested in serving on the following Boards or Commissions:

☐ Planning Commission

☐ Zoning Hearing Board

☐ Emergency Management Agency

I would be interested in receiving more information on volunteering at the Fire House:

☐ Fire Fighter

☐ Fire Police

☐ Fund Raising

Please list times available: _____

Lower Dauphin Communities that Care

Lower Dauphin Communities That Care (LDCTC) is a community-based, non-profit organization established in 2001 to promote the positive development of children in the Lower Dauphin community.

Come visit our Books on Board Bookmobile at any one of four Londonderry Township stops! You can view our schedule at www.ldctc.org.

We are currently looking for adults in the community who are interested in volunteering a few hours a month on our Bookmobile. Contact Angela Durantine, Program Director at 717-350-0428 or via email at angela@ldctc.org.

Like us on Facebook for updates on what LDCTC is doing in your community!

V.I.P. Senior Van Service

The V.I.P. van service is for seniors, 65 and over, who are residents of Londonderry Township. The van provides transportation to and from doctor and hospital appointments as a priority. If possible, other locations within Dauphin County may be scheduled for trips to the grocery store or bank. The van is not handicapped accessible. Residents must be able to get in and out of the van without assistance. There is no charge for this service.

This service is only possible through the efforts of volunteers. We are in desperate need of volunteers to take phone requests and to schedule drivers. We are also in need of volunteers to drive the van. You only need a valid driver's license and a clean driving record. Both of these volunteer opportunities can fit anyone's schedule.

For more information, please call V.I.P. Van Service at 717-317-3402 between 10:00 a.m. and 12 Noon, Monday thru Friday. The van does not operate on weekends.

Recreation

Londonderry Bocce League



Registration for our bocce summer league begins April 1, 2025.

Games will be played on Monday at 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., and on Tuesday at 6:00

p.m. Games are from May through August 2025.

If you are interested in playing bocce, you can sign up as an individual or as a team (four persons). Bocce is easy to learn, so come out and give it a try. Call Louise Morgan at 717-944-6518 if you are interested.

Monday Evening Bocce League Winning Team

Members (not pictured): Sue Neiman, William Neiman, Warren Coover, Deanna Paul, and Steve Rudy.



Tuesday Evening Bocce League Winning Team Members L-R Seated: Edith Horting, Cindy Obenstine, Edgar Obenstine
Standing: JoAnn Schaffer



Monday Morning Bocce League Winning Team Members L-R: Allen Jacobs, Deb Kepler, Ann Kopp and Sue Gardner