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On Lot Sewage Disposal System Progress District "A" June 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

The Township's OLSDS (On-Lot Sewage Disposal System) pumping and reporting management program for the District "A", 2017 - 2018 timeframe has been completed. District "A" lies roughly south of Foxianna Road and extends south and west to the Township Boundary and includes all of the islands in the Susquehanna River that lie in Londonderry Township.

The OLSDS District Map is available thru the Township website or at the Township office if needed.

THE OLSDS INSPECTION AND PUMPING PROGRAM HAS BEGUN FROM JUNE 1, 2018 THRU JUNE 30, 2019.

This round of testing will be a repeat for those residents living in District 1 and 2 and will include the same area that was first done during the 2014-2015 timeframe. This also represents the beginning of the 2nd Cycle of the regular 4-year rotation interval required to be done by the DEP for each District in the township.

If your property contains an on-lot sewage disposal system, it must be pumped and inspected at minimum four (4) year cycles as established for your District in accordance with the requirements of this program as set forth by the DEP. Pumping and inspections done at any other time before the designated timeframe for your district cannot be accepted by the Township as compliance with this program. Failure to comply within the reporting time frame requirements of this program will result in fines being levied against the property owner(s) that have not provided the required information.

The citizens of Londonderry Township are to be commended for their participation in completing this required inspection and reporting process. Although there have been a few non-compliant properties in each District, the Township has since achieved almost 100% compliance with this mandatory program to date.

 **NOTICE TO VOTERS—ELECTION DAY** 
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2018

**The polling location for Londonderry Township 2nd Precinct
has changed from the Londonderry Township building to:**

LONDONDERRY FIRE COMPANY
2655 Foxianna Road • Middletown, PA 17057

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Municipal Office

TOWNSHIP OFFICE

www.londonderrypa.org
783 S. Geyers Church Road
Middletown, PA 17057

PHONE: 717-944-1803

HOURS: Monday – Friday
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Steve Letavic, Township Manager
sletavic@londonderrypa.org
Jeff Burkhart, Code/Zoning Officer
jburkhart@londonderrypa.org

SUNSET GOLF COURSE

www.sunsetgc.com
2601 Sunset Drive
Middletown, PA 17057

PHONE: 717-944-5415

Mike Johnson, Golf Course Manager
mjohnson@londonderrypa.org

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Mel Hershey, Chairman
Anna J. Dale, Vice Chair
Mike Geyer, Member
Ron Kopp, Member
Bart Shellenhamer, Member

TAX OFFICE

Loren M. Bowen, Tax Collector
2900 East Harrisburg Pike
Middletown, PA 17057

PHONE: 717-944-2842

FAX: 717-944-8238

HOURS: Wednesday
10:00 a.m.– 2:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m.– 8:00 p.m.
Thursday
10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

NEWSLETTER

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Don't Forget to VOTE

ELECTION DAY – November 6, 2018

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. If you are a registered voter and unsure of which precinct you are to vote at, please call the Township Office at 717-944-1803.

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

Precinct #1 Anglers & Hunters • 1350 Schoolhouse Road
Precinct #2 Londonderry Fire Company • 2655 Foxianna Road
Precinct #3 Grace Chapel • 2535 Colebrook Road

**NOTE: PRECINCT #2 HAS MOVED TO
LONDONDERRY FIRE COMPANY**



**Emergencies - 911
Non-Emergencies - 717.671.7500**

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

2018 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 noted

PLANNING COMMISSION — 7:00 p.m.
3rd Monday each month, unless noted

ZONING HEARING BOARD — 7:00 p.m.
2nd Monday each month, unless noted

BOARD of SUPERVISORS WORKSESSION — 7:00 p.m.
3rd Tuesday each month, unless noted

**Can't Make a Meeting?
Board Minutes are now available on the web!
(posted the following month)**

Please check our website for 2018 meeting dates.
<http://www.londonderrypa.org>

New Board of Supervisors

Pictured L-R Back Row:

Bart Shellenhamer, Member;
Anna J. Dale, Vice Chair;
Mike Geyer, Member

Pictured L-R Front Row:

Mel Hershey, Chairman;
Ron Kopp, Member



IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Londonderry Township is not responsible for payments or questions about COMCAST bills or services.

We are not affiliated with them in any way.

LONDONDERRY TOWNSHIP

GET NEWS & UPDATES ANYTIME

Keep up with what's happening in your township!

<http://www.londonderrypa.org>

www.facebook.com/LondonderryTownship

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NEW DROP BOX

Londonderry Township now has a convenient drop box located inside the lobby of the Municipal Building at 783 S. Geyers Church Road. Please use the drop box to deposit water bill payments, pavilion payments and other correspondence. A receipt will be mailed to you. ***The drop box is not to be used for late payments.*** Thank you.

STATE & FEDERAL OFFICIALS

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

DONALD J. TRUMP
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500
202-456-1414

GOVERNOR TOM WOLF

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

CONGRESSMAN CHARLIE DENT

250 W. Chocolate Avenue
Suite 2
Hershey, PA 17033
717-533-3959

SENATOR MIKE FOLMER

Capitol Office – Senate
P.O. Box 203048
Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120-3048
717-787-5708

REPRESENTATIVE

DAVID HICKERNELL

Capitol Office –
House of Representatives
P.O. Box 202020,
Room 143-B, East Wing
Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120-2020
717-367-5525

DAUPHIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JEFFREY T. HASTE, Chairman
MIKE PRIES, Vice Chairman
GEORGE P. HARTWICK, III, Secretary
P.O. Box 1295
Harrisburg, PA 17108
717-780-6300

Public Works Department

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-CDL drivers. If you or anyone you know is interested, please fill out an application at the Township office located at 783 S. Gevers Church Road.

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

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 all 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 edge of the road. Residents should take time to be sure to secure any loose or broken mailboxes, fences or other property that lies within close proximity to the roadways to prevent avoidable 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 Township at 717-944-9440 with any questions or concerns related to the potential roadway and/or winter maintenance.

Sincerely,

Andy Brandt

Public Works Director



Tax And Pumper/Hauler Updates

Tax Collector News Loren M. Bowen



It's hard to believe summer is gone. School's back in session and the discount period for taxes is over.

OCCUPATION TAX EXEMPTION – There is an exemption for the \$250 occupation tax if you are a full time student both semesters, if you have less than \$6000 in earned income for the calendar year, if you are over 70 on July 1 of the current year, or if you are full time clergy with no other source of income over \$6000.

This exemption is for the occupation tax only. There is no exemption for the \$10 per capita or the \$5 township tax. Also you ***must*** file an "occupation tax exemption form" with me. Writing notes on the tax bill or sending me college transcripts, etc. does not qualify for an exemption. Exemption forms are available at my office or can be downloaded at www.ldsd.org. Go into taxes and look for the occupation tax exemption form.

3 PAYMENT PLAN – The school real estate tax can be paid with 3 payments instead of all at once. You do lose the 2% discount if you use the payment plan. The first payment would have to be paid by the end of August in order to take advantage of the payment plan. The second payment is due by the end of October and the last payment by the end of November (you only have 30 days to get the last one in!).

You may pay all of your taxes with one check if you wish.

If you have any questions don't hesitate to call. Leave a message if you call after hours, I try to answer all local calls. 717-944-2842.

Certified Pumpers/Haulers

ASSOCIATED PRODUCTS SERVICES, INC.
717-766-5397
2 East Road, P.O. Box 231 • Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

BAKERS SEPTIC SERVICE, LLC
717-367-7271
1538 Ridge Road • Elizabethtown, PA 17022

BAUMAN'S SEPTIC SERVICE*
717-469-2463
39 Homestead Road • Grantville, PA 17028

BAYMONT ON CALL SERVICES
717-432-8727
19 Golf Course Road • Dillsburg, PA 17019

DILLSBURG EXCAVATING & SEPTIC, INC.
717-432-9704 • 717-545-2610
516 Range End Road • Dillsburg, PA 17019

THOMAS H. ERB & SONS, INC.
717-626-5591
268 Segoe Sago Road • Lititz, PA 17543

R E FINK & SONS* • 717-938-3581
1920 Old Trail Road • Etters, PA 17319

GERBERICH-HOFFMAN SEPTIC SERVICES
717-865-2015 • 717-867-5024
165 Mowery Road • Jonestown, PA 17038

KAUFFMAN'S SEPTIC SERVICE, LLC • 717-944-4308
236 Governor Stable Road • Bainbridge, PA 17502

JOHN KLINE SEPTIC SERVICES, LLC • 717-898-2333
3869 Old Harrisburg Pike • Mount Joy, PA 17552

KLINE'S SERVICES • 717-898-8158
5 Holland Street • Salunga, PA 17538

WALTERS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC.*
717-469-0588
PO Box 400 • Grantville, PA 17028

WALTER M. STROHL LLC SEPTIC SERVICES
717-733-2339
670 W. Girl Scout Road • Stevens, PA 17078

*pumper haulers that will pump island properties

Environmental Department

Fall into a Sustainable Practice this Autumn

Compost is done through the natural process of decay that transforms organic waste into a valuable soil amendment. This amendment is nicknamed "black gold" due to its nutrient dense make up that helps strengthen the soil food web and plants.



Organic materials that should be composted make up roughly 30% of landfill waste. When these materials decompose in landfills they break down anaerobically, which is a longer process that emits harmful methane gases. Composting allows you to reduce your carbon emissions and waste while also providing you a FREE valuable soil amendment.

Composting is a simple and easy activity, that only requires you to monitor four basic things; water, food, air and temperature. To make compost you will need decomposers (don't worry they come to your pile naturally) and food for them to decompose. Their food, the organic materials you put in the composter, should have the correct balance of nitrogen and carbon. By properly maintain your pile, you can speed up the naturally slow decay process to produce fast finished compost.

WATER: your compost bin should feel like a damp sponge. If too dry your decomposers will slow down and if it is too wet the pile will begin to break down anaerobically. If too dry add water and turn the pile, if too wet add browns and turn the pile.

FOOD: all organic materials will compost but not all should be added. Your decomposers will thrive on a balanced diet of carbon and nitrogen materials. Carbon rich organic wastes are known as browns and nitrogen organic wastes are known as greens. The correct balance is hard to define but usually a 2-part green to 1-part brown will give you the best carbon to nitrogen balance.

TEMPERATURE: the preferred temperature for a compost bin is in the range of 90-160°F, with the ideal balance being in the 120-160°F range. A thermometer is a nice tool to monitor the temperature. If it gets too hot or cold the decomposers will die, stopping activity. This component is dependent upon weather; you can compost throughout the winter months but if the

temperature drops below freezing composting will cease until the temperature rises.

AIR: airflow is essential to keep a compost pile going. By doing this no foul odors should be present due to aeration. Aerobic composting offers the fastest results but requires the most maintenance. To ensure airflow

is getting throughout your pile make sure you turn it each week and add browns, they help to create porosity.

Fall is a great time to start a compost bin or pile due to the abundance of organic materials to compost such as; leaves, garden trimmings from end of year plantings, cornstalks and hay. It is also a great time for beginners to start because of the more temperate climate. The abundance of materials allows you to play with the pile to see what ratios work with what ingredients, and the climate ensures your pile will not "cook" as fast, allowing you time to get to know your pile. Starting a fall compost bin allows you to have finished compost come next planting season. So, what better time to start composting than this fall!

For additional questions or concerns research on line, there is an abundance of online materials relating to compost.

BROWNS

Leaves
Hay
Paper
Cornstalks

GREENS

Kitchen Scraps
Grass Clippings
Coffee Grounds
Manure

MATERIALS TO AVOID

Oil, Fat & Greasy Foods such as meat, fish & dairy products

Dog and cat waste

Hard-to-kill weeds

Greens with herbicide or pesticide

Colored, coated or glossy paper

Grass on the Roads

When mowing your lawn this Autumn, make sure you keep all grass clippings and garden trimmings off the road. When left on our roads, they can create dangerous driving conditions, especially for motorcyclists, as well as add to stormwater runoff. This debris, often times containing fertilizer, is not meant to be in our waterways and disrupts the natural ecosystem. Please make sure to either blow your clippings or sweep them from the road. **DO NOT DUMP DOWN THE STORM SEWER.** *It is also a good idea to leave the clippings on your lawn, they serve as a great natural fertilizer!*



HOW TO REPORT A SPILL OR ILLICIT DISCHARGE IN YOUR AREA

WHAT IS AN ILLICIT DISCHARGE?

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) defines an illicit discharge as "any discharge into a storm drain system that is not composed entirely of storm water." This means that any water containing household cleaning or yard care products, fertilizers, dog waste, car soaps and automotive fluids... ***IF deposited into the storm drain system...IS considered an illicit discharge.***

IF YOU SEE ...

Motor vehicle fluids and household chemicals dumped into gutters or street drains

or

Storm water leaving construction areas or entering streets drains, swales, ditches

or

If you notice suspicious colors or odors in a water source and are unsure ... **CALL!**



ILLICIT DISCHARGE REPORTING HOTLINE:

Call: 717-944-1803

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

After Business Hours: 717-461-0027

Contact: Tyler Erb, MS4 Environmental Coordinator
Check Londonderry Website for upcoming educational programs Tyler presents at www.londonderrypa.org



Chesapeake Bay Pollution Reduction Plan

Londonderry Township was approved by the DEP to enter the next steps in restoration efforts on our local water bodies and the Chesapeake Bay. This comes in the form of the Chesapeake Bay Pollution Reduction Plan (CBPRP), a DEP mandated plan to meet the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) requirements set by the federal government.

This plan sets a 5-year goal for States in the Chesapeake Watershed to reduce pollution in their local waterways by installing Best Management Practices (BMPs). The Township is required to reduce pollution caused by sediment by 10%, Phosphorus by 5%, and Nitrogen by 3%.

A midpoint assessment was done in July to observe the efforts of the federally mandated States. The Chesapeake Bay's overall watershed has made considerable progress, overall efforts exceeded the 60 percent goals for reducing phosphorus and sediment, but additional work is needed to meet the goal for nitrogen.

Pennsylvania's evaluation shows that we as a state are significantly behind in meeting our target reductions. We are off track on meeting our goals for agriculture and urban/suburban runoff. To meet our requirements, it will take a community effort so make sure you are doing your part so we can all "Save the Bay" together!



A copy of the CBPRP is available at the Township office for viewing. If you have any questions/comments: Please contact Tyler Erb, MS4/Environmental Specialist at 717-944-1803 or terb@londonderrypa.org

Emergency Services

Fire Company Volunteers

Volunteers are always needed for our fire department. If you are 14 years of age or older, please consider serving your community by volunteering. No prior experience is necessary. We will provide paid training. All types of volunteers are needed; firefighters, fire police, EMT's, ambulance crew, auxiliary. For more information call 717-944-9222 ext. 7 or stop in at the fire company any Wednesday night between 6:30 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.



Londonderry Ambulance Volunteers Needed

CONTACT US TO LEARN MORE ABOUT BECOMING AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN OR EMERGENCY VEHICLE OPERATOR

Benefits:

**Training Reimbursement • Sleeping Quarters • Full Kitchen • Weight Room • Live-In Program
NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE NECESSARY**

NOW RECRUITING EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS

**Londonderry Fire Company #1
2655 Foxianna Road • Middletown, PA 17057 • 717-944-9222 Ext. 7
CONTACT US TODAY! • WWW.LONDONDERRYFIRE.COM**

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. Isn't your family, your home and your life worth it?

**REFLECTIVE SIGN \$20 • SIGN WITH POST \$25
SIGNS ARE AVAILABLE HORIZONTAL OR VERTICAL**



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 OR VERTICAL

REFLECTIVE SIGN \$20 W/POST \$25

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

Emergency Management Agency

EMA Team Development

Winter and bad weather will soon be with us. As you know we never know what to expect. The following information is something you should read and make an emergency plan for yourself or your whole family. We never know what type of emergency may happen so plan ahead and be prepared as best that we can. If we can be of any assistance, feel free to contact myself or the township office at 717-944-1803. Thank you.

— Lester Gilbert, Director • Londonderry Township Emergency Management

If you need assistance during an event of a State of Emergency (declared by the Governor) please contact the EMA at:
Phone: 717-350-3492 • Fax: 717-546-0679
Email: londonderrytownshipema@gmail.com

Since September 11, 2001 there has been an even bigger demand to be prepared in the event of an emergency and we all need to take a look at what we can do to help. In the past we depended on the local fire company to handle emergencies, but it is at a point where they can't do it alone. Creating the Emergency Management Agency was the first step, forming a team of volunteers was the second. Some members of the team have been involved with the fire company and/or the ambulance service for many years and we depend on their experience in emergencies. However, you don't have to have a background such as theirs to help. The EMA has regular meetings and training is provided throughout the year to those wanting to volunteer.

Our team of dedicated men and women look forward to welcoming you aboard, should you decide to become a volunteer. Please call Les Gilbert, Coordinator, 717-350-3492 or the Township Office, 944-1803 for more information on becoming a volunteer.

Make a plan for what you will do in an emergency:

Be prepared to access the situation, use common sense and whatever you have on hand to take care of yourself and your loved ones. Depending on your circumstances and the nature of the attack, the first important decision is deciding whether to stay or go. You should understand and plan for both possibilities.

Develop a Family Communications Plan: Your family may not be together if disaster strikes, so plan how you will contact one another and review and review what you will do in different situations. Consider a plan where each family member calls, or e-mails, the same friend or relative in the event of an emergency. It may be easier to make a long-distance phone call than to call across town, so an out-of-state contact may be in a better position to communicate among separated family members. You may have trouble getting through, or the phone system may be down altogether, but be patient.

Staying Put: There are circumstances when staying put and creating a barrier between yourself and potentially contaminated air outside, a process known as "shelter-in-place", can be a matter of survival. Choose an interior room or one with as few windows and doors as possible. Consider precutting plastic sheeting to seal windows, doors and air vents. Each piece should be several inches larger than the space you want to cover so that you can duct tape it flat against the wall. Label each piece with the location of where it fits.

If you see large amounts of debris in the air, or if local authorities say the air is badly contaminated, you may want to "shelter-in-place". Quickly bring your family and pets inside, lock doors, and close windows, air vents and fireplace dampers. Immediately turn off air conditioning, forced air heating systems, exhaust fans and clothes dryers. Take your emergency supplies and go into the room you have designated.

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EMA Team Development

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Seal all windows, doors and vents. Watch TV, listen to the radio or check the Internet, if available, for instructions.

Getting Away: Plan in advance how you will assemble your family and anticipate where you will go. Choose several destinations in different directions so you have options in an emergency. If you have a car, keep at least a half tank of gas in it at all times. Become familiar with alternate routes as well as other means of transportation out of your area. If you do not have a car, plan how you will leave if you have to. Take your emergency supply kit and lock your door behind you.

At Work or School: Think about the places where your family spends time: school, work and other places you frequent. Talk to your children's school and your employer about emergency plans. Find out how they communicate with families during an emergency. A community working together during an emergency also makes sense. Talk to your neighbors about how you can work together.

Making a kit of emergency supplies:

Water: One gallon of water per person per day, for drinking and sanitation. Children, nursing mothers, and sick people may need more water. Keep at least a three-day supply of water per person.

Food: Store at least a three-day supply of non-perishable foods such as ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits, and vegetables. Also protein or fruit bars, dry cereal, peanut butter, crackers, nuts, canned juices, vitamins, etc.

First Aid Kit: Items such as sterile dressings, cleaning agents, antibiotic ointment, adhesive bandages, eye wash, thermometer, prescription medicines, scissors, tweezers, petroleum jelly, antacid medication, aspirin, etc.

Miscellaneous Supplies: Items such as flashlights, extra batteries, radio, cell phone, map, clothing, bedding, paper towels, non-electric can-opener, toilet paper, personal hygiene products, tools, etc.

The above items are just suggestions. Please use your own judgment for what your family may need.

Family Communication Plan:

Londonderry Emergency Management received the plans on the next 4 pages from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The plans are divided into two different forms. The one plan is for the parent or guardian and other plan is for the child. We hope you will complete the plans and distribute them for safe keeping in the event of an emergency. Please remove the 4 pages and use them for your family.

Londonderry Emergency Management is also asking for any volunteers that could help the team and the township. We hold meetings bi-monthly at the township building.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact the township at 717-944-1066. Thanks for the consideration.



Family Communication Plan

Emergencies can happen at any time. Do you know how to get in touch with your family if you are not together?

Let them know you're OK!
Pick the same person for each family member to contact. It might be easier to reach someone who's out of town.

Text, don't talk!

Unless you are in immediate danger, send a text. Texts often have an easier time getting through during emergencies, and you don't want to tie up phone lines needed by emergency responders (like 911).



Know the Numbers!

Home: _____

Adult: _____

Parent: _____

Home: _____

Cell: _____

Cell: _____

Work: _____

Neighbor: _____

Parent: _____

Home: _____

Cell: _____

Cell: _____

Work: _____

Neighbor: _____

My cell: _____

Home: _____

Sibling: _____

Cell: _____

Cell: _____

Out of state friend/relative:

Sibling: _____

Home: _____

Cell: _____

Cell: _____

Memorize your home and parents' cell phone numbers!



Cut this out and keep it somewhere safe like your backpack, school notebook, or wallet. Or input these numbers into your cell phone if you have one.



Know Where to Go... and How to Get There.

Pick a Meeting Spot

Where will you meet up with your family if you have to get out of your house quickly? Where will you meet if your neighborhood is being evacuated and you're not at home?

In your neighborhood:

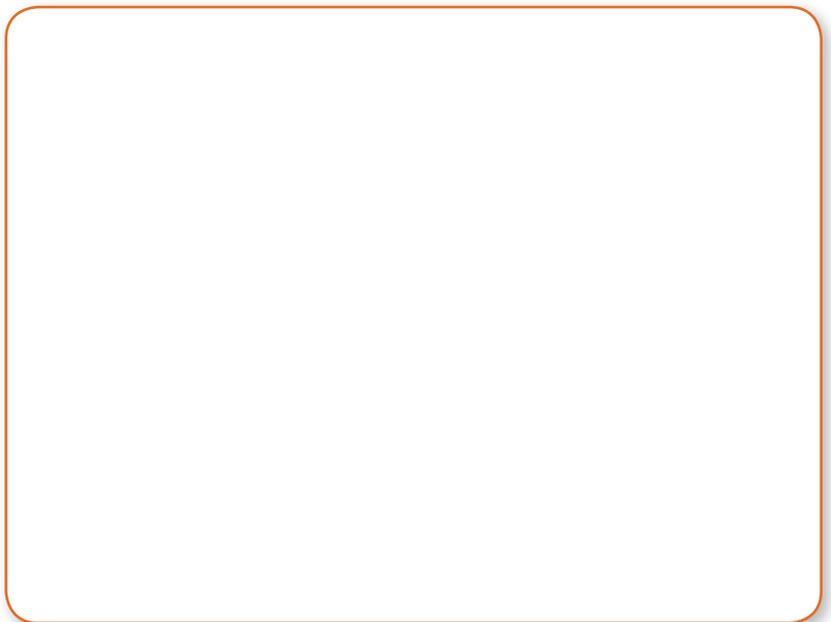
(such as neighbor's house or big tree)

Out of your neighborhood:

(such as the library or house of worship)

Draw a Map

Put a Δ to show your home. Put a O to show your school. Mark your out-of-neighborhood meeting spot with an X and label it.



Know the Exits

Do you know two ways out of every room in your house in case of a fire? Draw a floor plan of your bedroom in the space below and circle the two ways to get out. Hint: one may not be a door!





Family Communication Plan

Emergencies can happen at any time. Does your family know how to get in touch with each other if you are not all together?

Before an emergency happens, have a family discussion to determine who would be your out-of-state point of contact, and where you would meet away from your home — both in the neighborhood and within your town.

Let them know you're OK!

Pick the same person for each family member to contact. It might be easier to reach someone who's out of town.

Important Information

Fill in this information and keep a copy in a safe place, such as your purse or briefcase, your car, your office, and your disaster kit. Be sure to look it over every year and keep it up to date.

Out-of-Town Contact

Name: _____
Home: _____
Cell: _____
Email: _____
Facebook: _____
Twitter: _____

Neighborhood Meeting Place:

Regional Meeting Place:

Work Information

Workplace: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Facebook: _____
Twitter: _____
Evacuation Location: _____

Workplace: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Facebook: _____
Twitter: _____
Evacuation Location: _____

School Information

School: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Facebook: _____
Twitter: _____
Evacuation Location: _____

School: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Facebook: _____
Twitter: _____
Evacuation Location: _____

School: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Facebook: _____
Twitter: _____
Evacuation Location: _____



Important Information (continued)

Family Information

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Important Medical Information: _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Important Medical Information: _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

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Important Medical Information: _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Important Medical Information: _____

Medical Contacts

Doctor: _____

Phone: _____

Doctor: _____

Phone: _____

Pediatrician: _____

Phone: _____

Dentist: _____

Phone: _____

Dentist: _____

Phone: _____

Specialist: _____

Phone: _____

Specialist: _____

Phone: _____

Pharmacist: _____

Phone: _____

Veterinarian/Kennel: _____

Phone: _____

Insurance Information

Medical Insurance: _____

Phone: _____

Policy Number: _____

Homeowners/Rental Insurance: _____

Phone: _____

Policy Number: _____

Text, don't talk!

Unless you are in danger, send a text. Texts may have an easier time getting through than phone calls, and you don't want to tie up phone lines needed by emergency workers.





Dauphin County Recycling Center

1620 South 19th Street • Harrisburg, PA 17104

Drop off location for unwanted or obsolete electronics, appliances, computers, batteries, cell phones, old thermostats containing mercury, paint cans and much more. There is also an on-site confidential document shredding service.

For more information on what items can be brought to the Dauphin County Recycling Center, please call **717-982-6772**.

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

Zeager Brothers, Inc.

4000 East Harrisburg Pike • Middletown, PA

Brush and tree limbs only - no stumps. No fee or permit is required.

HOURS:

April – June, Monday – Friday, 6:00am – 6:00pm & Saturdays, 8:00am – Noon

July – March, Monday – Friday, 6:00am – 6:00pm & NO Saturdays

APPLIANCES, FURNITURE, SCRAP METAL

Do you need to dispose of furniture or appliances? One option is to contact your trash hauler and inquire what items they will pick up. Another option is to contact local scrap metal yards such as CSR Scrap Metal or Royalton Recycling. Some scrap yards will pay for various metals.

CSR Scrap Metal (717) 233-7927
Dauphin County Recycling Center
(717) 982-6772

DEP Waste Management (717) 705-4918
Royalton Recycling (717) 944-4823

Conewago Township Recycling Center

**3279 Old Hershey Road • Hershey, PA
(717) 534-8556**

No permit is required and there is no charge to residents.

Items that may be brought to the Recycling Center:

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

Glass is no longer being accepted.

Londonderry Township Recycling Center

2501 Sunset Drive, Middletown, PA

YARD WASTE RECYCLING

The recycling center is located on Sunset Drive, across from the Public Works Building. It is open year round to Londonderry Township residents. A permit is required and may be obtained at the Londonderry Township office located at 783 S. Geyers Church Road. The permit is free. Proof of residency is required.

Please empty your yard waste in the appropriate pile for grass clippings, flowers, plants and leaves. The Public Works employees will recycle this waste into compost and mulch. Residents may take from the compost pile when available. Please dispose of empty bags in the recycling container provided.

HOURS:

April–October, Monday-Saturday, 7:30 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.

November–March, Monday-Saturday, 7:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Sunset Golf Course



2601 SUNSET DRIVE, MIDDLETOWN
717-944-5415
WWW.SUNSETGC.COM



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Big savings on all your golfing needs!

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Great Gift Idea!
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CORPORATE CARD -
FREE to sign up!
Members Round is FREE when paying for clients, plus other discounts.

2019 ANNUAL GOLF PASS -
Township Resident Discount
10% Discount if purchased before March 31, 2019.

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Reach 35,000 Golfers Annually!

Any company or individual looking to advertise and get your name out there can do it with us! For as little as \$650, you can start a two-year sponsorship with Sunset Golf Club and advertise on one of our tee sponsorship signs. For the low price of \$500, you can advertise on our deck or clubhouse areas. Please call us at 717-944-5415 for more information on packages and pricing for any and all deals for advertisers.

Rent Out The Clubhouse!

The spacious clubhouse is available for rent all year long! Call or email Alex Shaeffer today for banquet rental and special menu information
717-944-9262 - ashaeffer@londonderry.org



VIP PLAYERS CARD: Great gift idea! Includes 1 FREE round with cart and many more perks throughout the year.

CORPORATE CARD: FREE to sign up! Members Round is FREE when paying for clients, plus other discounts.

2019 ANNUAL GOLF PASS: Township Resident Discount. 10% Discount is purchased before March 31.

Fall Play & Ride Special

18 holes with cart WEEKDAY
\$23 for under age 55
\$20 for seniors age 55+

Fall Play & Ride Special

18 holes with cart WEEKEND
\$29 for everyone before 11am
\$24 for everyone after 11am

Christmas Holiday Special!

Purchase Two 18 Hole
Weekday Green Fees with
Cart for ONLY \$40!

40% Savings!

Can be used anytime in 2019

Christmas Holiday Special!

Purchase Two 18 Hole
Weekend Green Fees with
Cart for ONLY \$60!

30% Savings!

Can be used anytime in 2019

Book your group now! Tee Sponsorships, Leagues & Outings!
Call Mike Johnson 717-944-5415
or email mjohnson@londonderry.org

PRO SHOP
SALE!



Sunset Bar & Grill

Like us on Facebook!

facebook.com/sunsetbandg



The Bar & Grill has recently implemented a new Daily Specials menu Monday through Friday. Go to sunsetbandg.com or facebook.com/sunsetbandg for more information.

Join us at the Sunset Bar & Grill for Darts and/or Corn Hole! In our spacious indoor Clubhouse, Darts, Corn Hole and other games are easy to organize!

Check on Facebook and our website for more information and details.

Good food. Great deals.

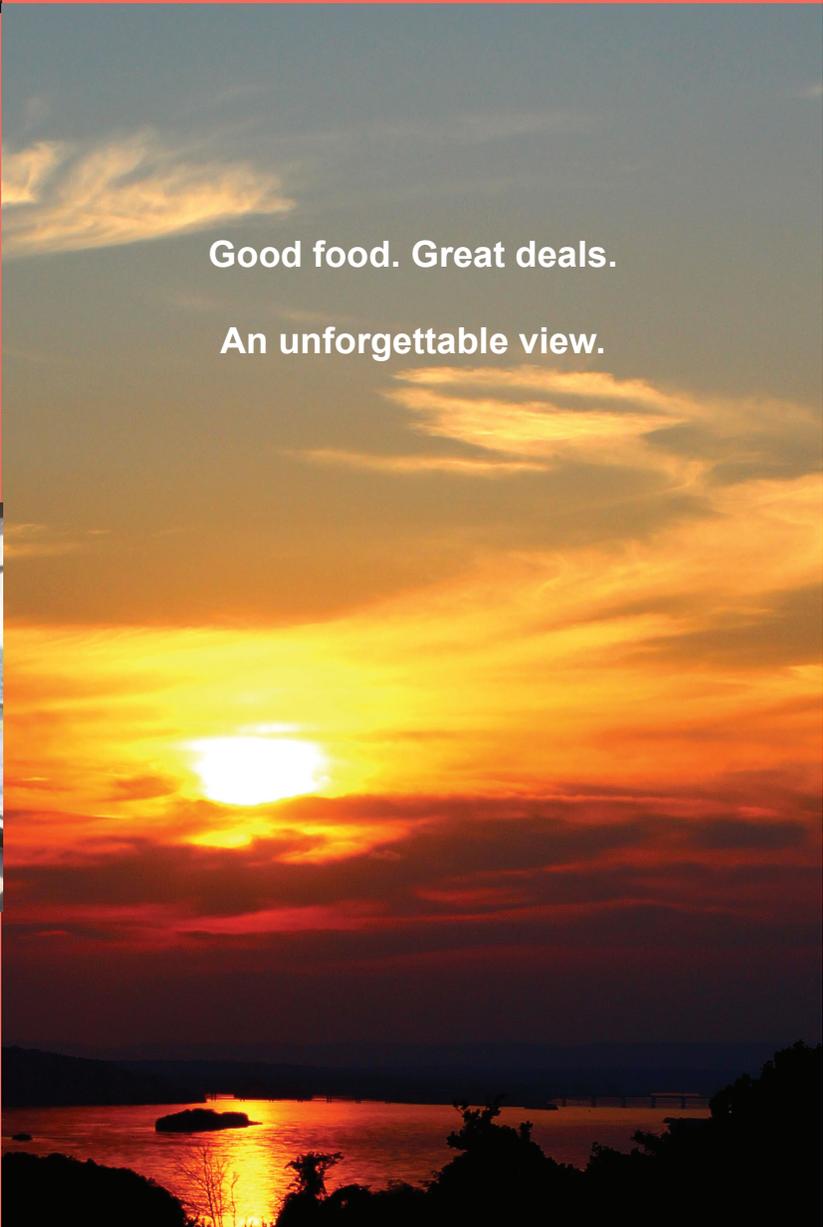
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SECOND 4 YEAR CYCLE PUMPING AND INSPECTION SCHEDULE

The Township's OLSDS (On Lot Sewage Disposal System) pumping and reporting management program requires all properties in the municipality to be pumped and inspected on a regular 4-year interval according to the following district and pumping schedule.

DISTRICT

Sewer District #1 & #2

Sewer District #3

On-Lot Management District B

On-Lot Management District A

PUMPING & INSPECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY

June 1, 2018-June 30, 2019

June 1, 2019-June 30, 2020

June 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

June 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

All properties have completed at least one pumping/ inspection and now the 4-year cycle has begun all over again. The required pumping/ inspection program for the District "1" and District "2" areas is currently underway effective June 1, 2018 and will run until June 30, 2019. Districts "1" and "2" lies roughly in the northwest portion of the Township and includes Miller Road, the north side of a portion of Round Top Road and the east side of the southern part of Schoolhouse Road and extends to along the north side of Foxianna Road. Please be reminded that if you have property located within Sewer District "1" and "2" you have until June 30, 2019 to comply with the pumping and inspection requirements. The OLSDS District Map and the registered pumper/hauler list is available thru the Township website or at the Township office if needed. Please keep in mind that only registered pumper/haulers as authorized by the Township are allowed to perform this required inspection.

KNOW BEFORE YOU PUMP

It is the responsibility of the property owner to know which District their property is located within and to have their septic systems pumped in the correct pumping cycle. However, if you or your pumper/hauler company have any questions about this program or to determine/verify which district and which 4-year cycle your property is located within, please call the Township office at 717-944-1803.

Per the OLSDS Ordinance, it is the responsibility of the pumper/hauler to forward a copy of the pumper/hauler report and the \$25.00 registration fee to the Township within fifteen (15) days of pumping.

Failure to comply with the reporting requirements of this program will result in fines being levied against the property owners that have not provided the required information.

ORDINANCE UPDATES

The Township is continuing to review and possibly update its Ordinances to address regulations that have become outdated or those which continue to generate concerns or complaints from citizens. Notices of public hearings for the review and adoption of any such Ordinance updates and revisions will continue to be listed in upcoming meeting agendas and on the Township's web page.

ZONING REGULATIONS AND PERMITTED USES

Township residents are encouraged to contact the Township Zoning/Code Officer for clarification as to what is a "by-right" permitted use and what may or may not be a permitted primary or accessory use within any specific area of the Township before undertaking any construction project or presumed allowable activity. Many different permitted uses also require other site requirements or building improvements to be in place before the permitted use can be carried out. Just because the property may lie within a Commercial Zone or an Agricultural Zone does not guarantee the right of a property owner to operate a business or maintain farm-related activities without first having certain other conditions, improvements and/or approvals in place. It should not be presumed that because your property is zoned commercial that you can operate a commercial business from your home any more than if your home lies in the agricultural zone that you can keep farm animals in your back yard. There are finite differences in the permitted "by right" uses and the uses permitted as accessory to the principle use of the building or property which must be investigated and addressed before undertaking certain activities. The Township staff is here to help and will do our best to answer any questions you may have regarding permitted uses within the Township.

Recreation and Community Outreach

Bocce



WINNERS OF THE 2018 SUMMER LONDONDERRY BOCCE LEAGUE

MONDAY MORNING LEAGUE WINNERS

Left to Right:

Julie Kupp,
Barbara Miller,
Sue Gardner,
Ann Kopp
(Captain), not
pictured is Allen
Jacobs



TUESDAY MORNING LEAGUE WINNERS

Left to Right:

Charles Starr,
Richard Johnson,
Kenneth Bleiler, not
pictured are Richard
Rice (Captain) and
Patricia Steimetz



TUESDAY EVENING LEAGUE WINNERS

Back Row:

Regina Anderson,
Edgar Obenstine,
Cindy Obenstine
(Captain)

Front Row:

Lois (Goody)
Conley, Peg Bryant



INTERESTED IN PLAYING IN 2019?

You may sign up as an individual, as a couple, or as a team (4 players). No experience is necessary. Bocce is an easy game to learn. For more information, call 717-944-6518.

Programming Highlights at the William H. & Marion C. Alexander Library — Fall & Winter (OCT - MAR) 2018

Winter Reading Challenge is back this year and open to all ages! Sign up, choose some books and get cozy while you stretch your reading comfort zone. Sign-up begins DEC 16 at dcls.org/wrc.

Know Before You Vote • OCT 1 @ 6:30 pm — Be an informed voter! Need help sorting through all the claims made by political candidates? Let The League of Women Voters and The Library help! We'll show you how to locate accurate information or determine if presented information is fake. We'll even help you register to vote if you're not registered.

Teen Nights • OCT 4, NOV 1, & DEC 6 @ 6 pm — Bring your friends and explore different activities, arts and crafts, try cool tech toys and more. Each month features a new crafty activity. No registration required. For teens, ages 12-17 years. For more information, visit dcls.org or call (717) 566-0949 x1204.

2nd Wednesday Cinema • OCT 10, NOV 14, DEC 12, JAN 9, FEB 13, & MAR 13 @ 6 pm — Join us for a monthly film series that features international films. For more information, or to find out what film will be shown each month, call (717) 566-0949.

Basic Car Maintenance • OCT 15 @ 6 pm — Learn car maintenance basics from a professional! Bill from CJ Pony Parts will cover a variety of topics, from checking your fluid to how to properly care for your tires. For adults or older teens. Sign up at dcls.org/adultevents or call (717) 652-9380 x1045.

Card Making & Gift Wrapping • NOV 3, 11:00 am – 1 pm — Prepare for holiday gift giving at The Library! This class will teach you how to create Iris Folded cards and take your gift wrapping up a notch with fun and easy embellishments. Register at dcls.org/adultevents or call (717) 652-9380 x1045.

Children's Book Week: Meet Hyewon Yum! • NOV 10 @ 10 am — Award winning author and illustrator Hyewon Yum will present about writing and illustrating books for children. Each family in attendance will receive a free copy of her newest book, *Saturday is Swimming Day*, which she will be available to sign. Seating begins at 9:30 am. Register at dcls.org or call (717) 652-9380 x1045.

Mary Sachs Series: Time Matters: A Woman's Retirement Outlook • NOV 12 at 1 pm — Karen Beaver-Hitz from Edward Jones Investing, explores the financial concerns facing women who are getting ready for or have recently transitioned to retirement. The presentation shares retirement income strategies and addresses how to prepare for the unexpected, including market and inflation risks, and the rising costs of health care and long-term care. Register at dcls.org/adultevents or call (717) 652-9380 x1045.

Holiday Music at The Library • December 8 at 1 pm — Enjoy the sounds of the holiday season by listening to classically trained musician, and Library staff member, Ray Holland and his Mountain Dulcimer.

Volunteer Application

Please mail, drop off, fax or email either form to:

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

Fax: 717-944-1926 • www.londonderry.pa.org



PLEASE VOLUNTEER TODAY!

Date: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

Name: _____

Address: _____
Street City Zip

Email: _____

I am interested in serving on the following Boards or Commissions:

Planning Commission Zoning Hearing Board Emergency Management Agency

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

Fire Fighter Fire Police Auxiliary Ambulance Crew Fund Raising

I am interested in Volunteering for the following organizations:

Londonderry Lionettes Meals on Wheels VIP Van Service VIP Van Coordinator
(most needed)

Please list times available: _____

Change Lives, One Pair at a Time & Help the Ronald McDonald House

The Londonderry Lionettes are collecting used eyeglasses and can tabs (from beverage cans or tabs from canned soup or canned goods). The eyeglasses go to a local Lions Club who forwards them to the Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center where they are cleaned, sorted by prescription strength, and packaged. Recycled glasses are distributed to people in need in low and middle-income communities where they will have the greatest impact.

The can tabs go to the Ronald McDonald House that sells the tabs to a local recycling company and uses the proceeds for the daily operating expenses at the House. They average \$1,000 per month.

Collection boxes for eyeglasses only have been placed at Karns, Londonderry Elementary School, Evangelical U.M.

Church, St. Peters Lutheran Church, Presbyterian Church, Geyers U.M. Church, Wesley U.M. Church, and New Beginnings Church; and for eyeglasses and soda tabs at the Londonderry Township Building, and TLC-Quilting (2900 E. Harrisburg Pike).

Other sites are being sought as well. 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 756-7467 or Louise Morgan at 944-6518. Please place all eyeglass and can tabs separate in a plastic Ziploc bag for protection during transport. **NOTE:** The Lions Club only wants the eyeglasses, not the eyeglass cases. For more information on this project, please call Anita or Louise at the aforementioned numbers.

V.I.P. Senior Van Service

The V.I.P. is a van service for seniors who are residents of Londonderry Township. The van service provides transportation to and from doctor appointments, hospital appointments, grocery stores, and other businesses that the residents need transportation to. 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. However, donations are appreciated to help pay for the maintenance, upkeep and the purchase of a new van if it becomes necessary in the future.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The V.I.P. Senior Van Service is currently in need of a volunteer to retrieve phone messages and schedule drivers. Drivers are also needed to transport residents to and from their appointments using the V.I.P. mini-van. Drivers must have a valid drivers license and a clean driving record.

For more information on how you can help, please call V.I.P. Van Service at (717) 317-3402.

Community Outreach

Stray & Feral Animals, Dog Licenses

A RESOURCE FOR CARETAKERS AND FRIENDS OF STRAY AND FERAL CATS

Helping Hands for Animals

Trap Neuter Return



Helping Hands for Animals has openings at our spay/neuter facility but you will need to call for an appointment. This clinic is designed for feral, free roaming and community cats as well as unconfined pet cats. All cats will be spayed or neutered, given rabies and FVRCP (distemper) vaccinations, treated with Revolution (flea, roundworm/ hookworm and ear mite treatment) and ear tipped for identification as fixed animals. *The cost is \$30.00 and AN APPOINTMENT IS NECESSARY.* Appointments can be made by calling 717-687-7297. Helping Hands currently holds clinics EVERY Tuesday and Wednesday. Please note that due to limited resources, all cats must be able to be trapped and transported to our facility which is located on New Danville Pike in Lancaster. www.helpinghandsforanimals.org.



OTHER SPAY/NEUTER CLINICS

PETS FERALS

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	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

LOST DOGS:

PALostDogs.com

allows residents to post a photo and description of their lost dog. Almost 6,000 dogs in PA have been reunited through this site.

A lost dog is more likely to be found if licensed. The Treasurer's office records all sales and will contact the owner when a lost dog is found!

Lifetime licenses are available at the Treasurer's Office at DauphinCounty.org.

TOWNSHIP VOUCHER PROGRAM CONTINUES WITH THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF HARRISBURG

FERALS—Cats Only—must be caged and brought to the Township office for a voucher. Cats must be promptly taken to the Humane Society. They will spay or neuter with a voucher AN APPOINTMENT IS NECESSARY (717-564-3320.)

STRAYS—Dogs & Cats—must be first be brought to the Township to receive voucher, then taken immediately to the Humane Society at 7790 Grayson Road in Harrisburg.

DOG LICENSES—applications are NOT available at the Township office. Residents may purchase a license online at **PADogLicense.com**. A metal tag will be mailed within a few days. Dogs over three months must be licensed by state law. If not, fines are up to \$300 for each violation. Fees collected are used to underwrite costs of monitoring PA kennels and puppy mills as well as other dog welfare initiatives not funded by tax dollars. **Dog tags run with the calendar year and must be renewed annually!**

Londonderry Lionettes Happenings

The Lionettes have been busy performing community service locally, in the surrounding communities, statewide, and internationally. Some of their projects for this year include:

- Donated and assembled hygiene kits for Mission Central to be given to flood victims.
- Made valentines for the Alzheimer's unit at Frey Village, Meals on Wheels clients and adopted grandmothers.
- Provided healthy snack bags for Meals on Wheels clients in Londonderry and Conewago Townships and adopted grandmothers in spring and will again in fall.
- Hosted a bingo party at Interfaith Apartments in Middletown with prizes and refreshments.
- Donation sent to Mennonite Disaster Service for victims of Hurricane Harvey.
- Donation given to Middletown Public Library.
- Will give Christmas presents to our adopted Grandmothers at Frey Village and have been sending cards to them for major holidays and birthdays.
- Since 2014 The Lionettes have been collecting used eyeglasses (see separate article) for the Pennsylvania Lions Club and soda tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. The Lionettes have collected 1,046 pairs of eyeglasses since the project began.
- Provide clothing for the nurse at Londonderry Elementary School to be used for children as needed.
- Will donate gloves and hats for the Christmas baskets at Londonderry Elementary School.

The Lionettes meet the first Wednesday of each month except for June, July, August and December at 7:00 p.m. at Londonderry Elementary School. An annual picnic or outing is scheduled for June, and a Christmas party is held in December.

Monthly speakers for their meetings for the rest of 2018 are:

- September 5 – Dr. Richard Ammon, Professor Emeritus from Penn State will present a program, "Amish Talk"
- October 3 – "Cuba – a Culture in Transition" by Deb Weaver, one of our lady Lionettes
- November 7 – "The History of Christmas Traditions Throughout the world," with an emphasis on what we do in the Western World by Eleanor Icaacson

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

Meals on Wheels

The Dauphin County Area Agency on Aging provides a well-balanced hot meal for delivery to residents of Dauphin County who are assessed by the Agency's Care Management Unit as being frail and/or home bound because of physical, mental or emotional disability and without a caregiver who is able to provide meals on a regular basis. Meals are delivered five days a week by volunteers who observe the well-being of the home bound individual receiving the meal. The volunteers are recruited by our local "Meals-on-Wheels" organization. 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.

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Fall Fire Safety Tips



SMOKE ALARMS

- ✓ Get in the habit of changing the batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors every fall and spring when changing the clocks for Daylight Savings Time.

SPACE HEATER TIPS

- ✓ Make sure that any space heaters are surrounded by at least three feet of empty space.
- ✓ Never place clothing or any other objects on a space heater to dry.
- ✓ Do not place space heaters near furniture or drapery.
- ✓ Turn space heaters off when you leave the house or go to bed.
- ✓ Avoid storing any combustible items near heaters.

FIREPLACE TIPS

- ✓ Get your chimney inspected each year to make sure that it is safe.
- ✓ Hire a chimney sweep to clean out your chimney every fall.
- ✓ Repair any cracks in fireplaces.
- ✓ Use fireplace screens to keep sparks and fire debris inside the fireplace.
- ✓ Do not ever use gasoline to start a fire in the fireplace.
- ✓ Never leave a fire unattended.
- ✓ Make sure that combustible materials are not stored within three feet of your fireplace.
- ✓ For natural gas fireplaces, get all connections and lines inspected before use each season.
- ✓ Remember that outdoor fireplaces can be just as dangerous as indoor units, and observe all safety precautions when using them.

HOLIDAY TIPS

- ✓ Do not use candles in Halloween jack-o-lanterns. Flashlights are much safer.
- ✓ Make sure that children's costumes are made with fire retardant materials.
- ✓ Use only fire retardant holiday decorations.
- ✓ Verify that all holiday lights and extension cords have been tested by an organization such as Factory Mutual or Underwriters Laboratory.