

# NEWS LETTER

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A PUBLICATION FOR THE RESIDENTS OF WEST HEMPFIELD TOWNSHIP



## MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY STORMWATER FEES MAKING A DIFFERENCE

West Hempfield Township has made steady progress in complying with the Pennsylvania DEP MS4/Stormwater permit requirements to improve local water quality. Between Stormwater Fee funds and grants, we have completed projects totaling nearly 2 million dollars in 2023 including the completion of the stream restoration and basin project along an unnamed tributary to the Chiques Creek, and the the Farmdale/Ferndale storm sewer replacement project. In 2024, the Township will be replacing a culvert along Silver Spring Road, installing a stormwater diversion system in Silver Spring Park at Grubb Lake, and a large project of completing a 500' stream restoration project on the West Branch of the Little Conestoga Creek.

### What's the Existing Problem With the Stream?

This tributary begins near the discharge point of a very large pipe outfall that discharges stormwater runoff into the stream from an upland drainage area of over 50 acres comprised of suburban residential development. The high volume and rate of stormwater runoff discharged through the outfall over the past 40 years has destroyed the natural channel existing at the time of construction and has created an 8'-12' deep bare-bank channel that erodes and deposits sediment downstream with every storm. The channel has become a potential safety hazard for the landowners who reached out to West Hempfield Township staff in 2018 to remedy the environmental damage evident on the property.

### What are the Proposed Improvements?

The proposed improvements include installing a series of nine (9) double rock cross vanes every 50' (approx.) within the channel to gradually raise the bottom elevation, minimize the channel depth, and stabilize the stream banks. A 35' wide native forest riparian buffer will also be installed on both sides of the channel to provide additional protection from continued erosion.

### What are the Benefits of the Project?

The project will result in multiple environmental benefits including:

- Reducing sediment, phosphorus and nitrogen loading by minimizing continual bank erosion during storm events improves water quality.
- Increasing tree canopy by planting 204 native trees and shrubs along the stream channel improves native habitat for wildlife species, cools stormwater temperatures, and stabilizes the stream channel.

### How is the Project Funded?

This project will be paid for with proceeds from West Hempfield Township Municipal Authority Stormwater Fees. Remaining costs to be paid with by PA DEP with a Growing Greener Watershed Protection Grant that the Township received in 2021.

### What's Next?

The current MS4 Permits have been extended until the PA DEP makes revisions that EPA is requiring. PA DEP is hoping to have them finalized in 2024. Until then, we wait for them to provide guidance.

## TOWNSHIP PHONE NUMBERS & BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Office ..... 717-285-5554  
 Police ..... 717-285-5191  
 Emergencies  ..... 911  
 TDD ..... 800-654-5984  
 FAX ..... 717-285-2879

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# SEASONAL CURBSIDE LEAF PICK-UP

Mid-October through Early December

## CURBSIDE LEAF PICK-UP POLICY

- A separate truck will come around, weather permitting.
- Do not mix twigs or any other yard waste in with leaves.
- Do not park on leaf piles.
- Once the season ends, bag leaves and dispose of with your household trash.
- Leaves will NOT be collected if anything is placed on top of or in your leaf pile (i.e. Tarps, blocks, etc.).

### ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE:

**Weeks of October 16th & 30th, November 13th & 27th**

East Side of Prospect Road

**Weeks of October 23rd, November 6th & 20th, December 4th**

West Side of Prospect Road

**Schedule subject to change based on weather and emergencies**

## TRASH & RECYCLING CALENDAR

### Holiday Trash Delays:

Thanksgiving, November 23, 2023 - Thursday Trash Customers will have pickup on Friday, November 24, 2023. (Wednesday Customers - No Delay).

### Reminders:

- Place trash and recycle totes curbside the NIGHT BEFORE collection to prevent your trash being missed.
- Only one trash and recycle toter per household. All bags must fit in toter, with the lid able to close properly! All extra bags require a \$2.00 Yellow Tag attached. Large items require a \$5.00 Red Tag.



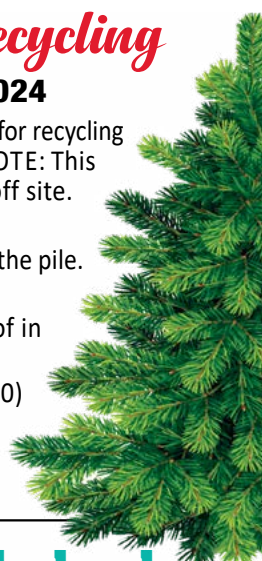
### Yard Waste:

Yard waste will be collected on the same day as your regular trash service. Yard waste **MUST** be in your own brown Kraft bags with \$1.50 Green Tag. Bundles of sticks, no more than 4' in length and 30 lbs, also require a Green Tag.

## Christmas Tree Disposal and Recycling

**DECEMBER 27, 2023 - JANUARY 31, 2024**

- West Hempfield Township residents may drop off Christmas trees for recycling at the Fairview Park parking lot on Fairview Road. PLEASE NOTE: This location is different from the Township's woody waste drop-off site.
- Trees may be dropped off anytime weekdays or weekends.
- Remove bags and decorations from the tree before leaving it on the pile.
- The trees are ground into mulch for use at Township parks.
- Please consider recycling your tree this year. Trees disposed of in trash are not recycled.
- To be disposed of as trash, the tree must have a red tag (\$5.00) attached and must be shorter than six (6) feet.
- No trees will be picked up with trash after March 31, 2024.



## TRASH & RECYCLING BILL DUE DATES:

**2023**

**QUARTER 4:** 10/1/23-12/31/23  
Payment Due on 11/30/23

**2024**

**QUARTER 1:** 1/1/24-3/31/24  
Payment Due on 3/1/24

**QUARTER 2:** 4/1/24-6/30/24  
Payment Due on 5/31/24

**QUARTER 3:** 7/1/24-9/30/24  
Payment Due on 8/31/24

**QUARTER 4:** 10/1/24-12/31/24  
Payment Due on 11/30/24



## Recycling right doesn't have to be hard.



JUST FOCUS ON THE **BIG 4!** PLACE **ONLY** THESE ITEMS IN YOUR BIN.

**1**



**CORRUGATED CARDBOARD**

Flattened

**2**



**PLASTIC BOTTLES & JUGS WITH NECKS**

Emptied, Rinsed, & Lids Removed

**3**



**METAL FOOD & BEVERAGE CANS**

**4**



**GLASS JARS & BOTTLES**

It's okay to throw *everything else* away. It will be turned into energy.

Lancaster County has an advanced waste-to-energy process that converts these materials into renewable energy, powering local homes and businesses and helping to reduce our reliance on non-renewable sources of energy. So, when in doubt, throw it out.

[recyclerightlancaster.org](http://recyclerightlancaster.org)



# WOODY WASTE UPDATE

In 2020, the Township applied to the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for a "902 Recycling Grant" and were approved. A portion of this grant has been used to upgrade our Woody Waste facility. The site is now gated and requires an access card to enter. This allows residents to enjoy greater flexibility to use the site during daylight hours.



The Woody Waste facility is now open 7 days a week. The cost for an access card for West Hempfield Residents is \$15 per year and is valid

from the date of purchase to December 31 of the calendar year. One access card may be purchased per household. If an access card is lost and needs to be replaced, there will be a replacement fee of \$20.

Invoices for the renewal of the cards in 2024 will be sent out in January. The cost will remain the same for 2024. Payment can be made at the Township Office with cash, check or credit card (bank convenience fee applies for credit card transactions).

**MAKE SURE TO KEEP THAT WOODY WASTE CARD SAFE IN THE OFF-SEASON! RENEWALS FOR 2024 WILL USE THE SAME CARD. YOU DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO PURCHASE ANOTHER CARD!**



## Proper Container Placement is the Key to Automated Service



- Have the container at the curb by 5:00 a.m. of your collection day.
- Place the container at least five feet from any object, like a tree, pole, fire hydrant, mailbox, electrical box, cable box, etc., and at least five feet away from cars so the automated arm can reach your container.
- Please have this same distance of five feet between waste and recycling containers.
- Don't lean anything against the container.
- Don't place your container under a tree.
- Place containers one foot from the curb or edge of the street.
- Remember to place the arrows on the lid of the container toward the street and the handle toward your house, with the lid closed.
- Please don't allow children to play in or around the containers. Republic Services' trucks use mechanical arms to pick up the waste and recycling containers.



## LEAF COLLECTION TO WINTER WEATHER

West Hempfield Township has approximately 80 miles of roads to maintain during the fall and winter seasons. To make things a little easier and more efficient, West Hempfield Township applied for a PA. D.E.P. 902 Recycling Grant to purchase a leaf collector that uses 1 person rather than 4 to collect leaves. The Township was awarded the Grant in March 2020 and the truck was delivered in June of this year. The Grant covered approximately 70% of the cost of the unit.

Leaf collection runs through the beginning of December. You may wonder why leaf collection is not extended longer into December? To make the most of our resources, the Township utilizes the same vehicles for leaf collection as for snow removal. Except for our new truck, the transition from leaf collection to prepping for snow removal is not a quick one. Therefore, to be ready for snow, we need to end the leaf collection at the beginning of December.

In any weather event, the first objective is to make each road passable. Each storm is different and our plan and approach changes accordingly based on the forecast. We appreciate your patience and cooperation as the Public Works Crew aims to continuously keep the roadways safe and passable.



## REPORT MISSED TRASH & RECYCLING

Did you know that you can report your missed trash, recycling, and tagged items from our website?

Visit [westhempfield.org](http://westhempfield.org) and click the "REPORT MISSED TRASH/RECYCLE" button found below the Quick Links menu to complete the form to generate an email directly to our staff and the hauler about your missed item(s).

You will need to complete all fields on the form in order for your message to be sent successfully.

**DON'T FORGET TO**  
**FALL BACK**

**NOVEMBER 5, 2023 - DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS**  
When local daylight time is about to reach 2:00 a.m. Sunday, November 5, 2023, clocks are turned backward 1 hour to 1:00 a.m. local standard time.



# Retirements, Promotions & New Officers Hired



## RETIREMENTS:

The Police Department had two retirements this year. In March, Officer Robert Small retired.

Ofc. Small is a military veteran. He served the citizens of West Hempfield as a police officer since 1999. During his tenure, Officer Small worked closely with the Hempfield School District to improve the lives of students, school staff members and parents.

In August, Officer Bart Hollis retired after completing 24 years of police service. During his time at West Hempfield Township, he was dedicated to community service including Toys for Tots, Good to Give Campaign, Pink Patch Project, and the annual National Night Out event. Officer Hollis is also a military veteran.



**Many thanks to both Officer Small and Officer Hollis!**



## PROMOTIONS:

We would like to congratulate Det. Robert Bradfield who was promoted to Sergeant in June. He is currently assigned to Criminal Investigation Division (CID). Sgt. Bradfield has been with the Department since 2008 and assigned to CID since 2016. In addition to managing a full caseload of criminal investigations, Bradfield is an evidence custodian, certified firearms instructor, and certified wire-tap investigator.

## NEW POLICE OFFICERS HIRED:

And a big welcome to our newest members of the West Hempfield Township Police Department. In May Officer Jonathan Perez joined the force. Ofc. Perez is a



2022 graduate of the HACC Police Academy, with approximately 6 months of police experience.

In June, we welcomed Officer Aaron Steager. Ofc. Steager has 4 years of experience as a Conservation Officer with the PA Fish & Boat Commission. He is also a Marine Corps Veteran and a current member of the PA Air National Guard.



# PINK PATCH PROJECT

The West Hempfield Township Police Department has partnered with Police Departments in Lancaster County and throughout the nation to participate in the "Pink Patch Project" for 2023.



In cooperation with the Penn Medicine Lancaster General Health Suzanne H. Arnold Center for Breast Health, the project is aimed at bringing awareness and attention to the fight against Breast Cancer. More information about the project can be found at <https://pinkpatchproject.com/>.

This is the fourth year that WHTPD officers will be displaying the "Pink Patch" on their uniforms and selling our patches to the community.

Check out WHTPD's '23 Pink Patch and Pink Pin! (Retro Design - Embracing the Pink)

Patches or Pins are available for purchase at the Township Building for \$10.00. (We still have a supply of our previous year's patches)

Questions can be directed to Ofc. Marcus at 717-285-5192 or [marcus@whtpd.org](mailto:marcus@whtpd.org).



# NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The West Hempfield Township Police Department partnered with other local police departments for another successful National Night Out event!

The event was well attended once again. Children, couples and families had a great time meeting and taking photos with Chase from Paw Patrol and Officer Judy Hopps of Zootopia fame!

Local food vendors, community service providers and entertainment were on hand for all to enjoy.

A special thank you to Corporal St. Clair, Manor Township PD, for spearheading this event. We wish to thank all who participated in making 2023 NNO a hit and look forward to seeing you in August 2024!





## Community Enrichment Programs and Events

Programs offered by Hempfield Area Recreation Commission are in partnership with West Hempfield Township. There are a lot of FREE events at the Hempfield recCenter this fall including presentations on Civil War History, an Owl Prowl, and Trunk-or-Treat. To learn more visit: [hempfieldrec.com/community](http://hempfieldrec.com/community).

### \*\*2024 Pavilion Rentals\*\*

2024 pavilion reservations will be accepted starting on November 1, 2023. Please see our website for the Pavilion Reservation Form. Call 717-898-3102 for availability. Pavilions are rented on a first come, first serve basis. Registration form and payment must be submitted to secure your reservation. Specific question about the parks or amenities contact Cristine Maser at [cmaser@hempfieldrec.com](mailto:cmaser@hempfieldrec.com) or 717-898-3102 x139.

#### ■ America's National Pastime: Baseball During the War

**Saturday, October 19 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hempfield recCenter** - Learn how a simple ball game brought together a nation torn in half, and how it became one of the biggest sports in the U.S. today.

#### ■ Owl Prowl and Pellets at Grubb Lake

**Wednesday, October 25 at 6:30 p.m. at Lake Grubb** - This program is a Hoot! We will learn about the Owls that live in PA and hope to talk to a few that live in the woods around the lake. Find out how they capture and eat their prey and dissect an owl pellet to discover the critters they had for dinner. Registration is requested for this FREE program.

#### ■ Trunk-or-Treat at the Hempfield Rec

**Thursday, October 26 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Hempfield recCenter** - Get ready for a spooktacular evening of family fun at the Hempfield RecCenter on October 26, 2023, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.! It's trunk-or-treat time, and we're rolling out the orange carpet for a fang-tastic celebration. Dress up your little goblins and ghosts in their finest costumes and bring them over for a hauntingly good time.

#### ■ The Damned: Lieutenant General James Longstreet

**Thursday, November 16 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hempfield recCenter** - Lee's Old War Horse. After the war, many fellow comrades tarnished the name of James Longstreet and his war record, but why?

#### ■ How the Civil War Changed Christmas

**Thursday, December 7 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hempfield recCenter** - Families torn apart by war, but just how did the Civil War change the way we celebrate the Christmas holiday?

**For more information and a list of all our programs, memberships and events visit [www.hempfieldrec.com](http://www.hempfieldrec.com)**

## UTILITY WORK IN TOWNSHIP

You may have recently seen utility companies, including gas, electric, and telecommunications, working within the right-of-way in your front yard or in our streets. These companies operate under the jurisdiction of the Pennsylvania Utility Commission (PUC). When the Township receives concerns from our residents, we do our best to seek a reasonable resolution from the company involved. However, the Township's authority with these companies is extremely limited. If your concerns are not resolved, you will need to file a complaint with the PUC. For more information, visit their website at <https://www.puc.pa.gov/complaints/>.



## STORMWATER NEWS

### DO YOU HAVE A SWALE IN YOUR YARD?

**What are swales?** Swales convey stormwater from one place to another. Swales can convey stormwater from your yard to your neighbor's yard, your yard to the stormwater facility, or from the stormwater facility to a nearby stream.

**Purpose** - The use of swales is a preferred method of conveying water because they allow the water to infiltrate into the ground. Swales also provide the added benefit of pollutant removal. Vegetation like grass or wetland plants has been proven to significantly remove pollutants from our Lancaster County streams. Properly maintained swales can be one of the least costly stormwater controls to maintain.

### Proper Swale Maintenance

- Mow to no lower than 4-inches for grass swales and no lower than 8-inches for vegetative swales. It is recommended that vegetative swales only be mowed once per season.
- Keep free of trash and debris.
- Remove accumulations of sediment, silt, and rocks.
- Keep the bottom of swale open to permit flow of water after heavy rains.
- Limit your overall use of pesticides and herbicides and use extreme caution when using them near streams.
- For minor erosion problems in a grass swale, plant perennial grass. In a vegetative swale, re-plant native or wetland plants as appropriate. Swales planted with native vegetation offer higher resistance to flow and provide a better environment for filtering and trapping pollutants.
- If severe erosion is observed, contact a professional to stabilize the area using a reinforcement erosion control product or turf reinforcement matting.

### Additional Things You Can Do Along Your Swale or Stream

- Consider adding buffer beyond the edge of your swale or stream.
- Begin with a "no mow" or "no graze" zone along your stream banks
- Plant trees and shrubs in your buffer zone. They provide many long-lasting benefits such as bank protection and pollutant removal.
- Using shrubs will give your buffer a quick start; many reach full size in just a few years.
- Use hay bales or a special silt fences to prevent soil from washing off your site and into the stream while establishing your buffer.
- Cover piles of soil with tarps to protect them from rain.
- Compost yard waste. Don't throw it into the stream; leave it in place for effective recycling of nutrients.
- Store firewood, trash and other materials far away from streams.



# BEARDS FOR BROTHERS (BFB)

In 2014, Beards for Brothers (BFB) was created to raise money for men's cancer awareness with the recipient to be a member of local law enforcement. In 2015, it was expanded to include ANY First Responder and their family from Lancaster County to be a recipient. To date, BFB has raised over \$90,000 for our fellow emergency responders, their families and the community.

BFB has been recognized by numerous police departments. Each year, the participating departments agree to waive their "no facial hair" policy during the month of November (or longer in some cases) to allow their officers to grow a beard while participating in the fundraiser. Each officer decides to donate a minimum of \$25 to BFB as well as not to shave during the designated time. If an officer decides to shave prior to the end date, they agree to an increased \$50 donation. ANYONE may donate to BFB even if they cannot or choose not to participate in the beard growing. In addition, merchandise is available each year to be purchased with the proceeds to be added to the BFB fundraiser.



Money collected either through beard growing, donation or merchandise sales is donated to the designated recipient and their family that has been referred and chosen for that year. Donations are collected via a Go Fund Me account which is set up in late October. Keep an eye out on our website for more information!

The goal for BFB is to bring awareness and to raise money to alleviate some of the financial burden that families battling cancer will encounter. The mission of Beards for Brothers is for all first responders to recognize the importance of our first responder family and to always provide support to our brothers, sisters and their families, especially in times of need.

## ILLICIT DISCHARGE DETECTION & ELIMINATION

### What is an illicit discharge?

An illicit discharge is an unlawful act of disposing, dumping, spilling, emitting, or other discharge of any substance other than stormwater into the stormwater drainage system. The stormwater drainage system includes streets, ditches, catch basins, yard inlets, lakes, and streams.

Illicit discharges cause water pollution by sending pollutants right into creeks, streams, ponds, and lakes. Be sure you know what illicit discharges are so you can help prevent water pollution and keep our streams clean!

Prevent water pollution. Use the Report-a-Concern link at <https://www.westhempfield.org/concern.php> to report an illicit discharge or any type of water pollution in our streams or stormwater inlets. In case of an emergency, call 911.



## CHECK IT OUT... AT YOUR COMMUNITY LIBRARY!

Lancaster Public Library-Mountville Branch is located at 120 College Avenue, Mountville. You can reach the library by calling (717) 285-3231 or by visiting [www.lancasterpubliclibrary.org](http://www.lancasterpubliclibrary.org). The Mountville Branch is open: Monday-Thursday from 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.; Friday from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. In its pursuit to inspire, empower, and strengthen the community, the Mountville Branch offers valuable programs throughout the year. Upcoming programs include:

**Preschool Storytime, most Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.** Children ages 3-5 years and their caregivers are invited to join Miss Rachel for stories, songs, and crafts on Tuesday mornings at 10:30!

**Toddler Time at the Mountville Branch, most Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.** Toddlers ages 12-36 months and their caregivers are invited to have fun with stories and music!

**Read-a-Loud with Basil, 2nd Saturdays at 10:30 a.m.** Build reading confidence with the help of Basil, a loving KPETs therapy dog. Visit our website to reserve a 15-minute timeslot for your 1st-4th grade reader.

**Noveltea Book Club, 3rd Thursdays at 6:00 p.m.** Come to the library each month to discuss great books with friends both old and new! The cup of tea is optional. Virtual attendance is available upon request.

**Read-a-Loud with Raven, 4th Saturdays at 10:30 a.m.** Build reading confidence with the help of Raven, a loving KPETs therapy dog. Visit our website to reserve a 15-minute timeslot for your 1st-4th grade reader.

**Mountville Branch Library Anniversary Celebration.** The Mountville Branch Library is celebrating its 60th anniversary and we're hosting a party! Save the date for Saturday, October 21st because this is one celebration you don't want to miss!

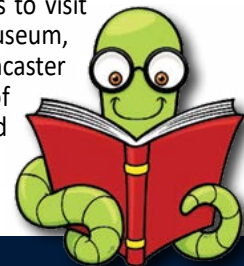
**Save the dates!** Looking ahead to 2024, the Friends of the Mountville Branch Spring Book Sale will take place March 22nd and 23rd, and the beloved Plant Sale is scheduled for May 17th and 18th.

Did you know you can access the Mountville Branch Library from (almost) anywhere? Your Lancaster Public Library card provides FREE access to digital books, music, movies, magazines, and more!

- **OverDrive** and **Libby** give you access to popular eBooks, audiobooks, and more for adults, teens, and children.
- Borrow free movies, music, eBooks, comics, and TV shows with **Hoopla**.
- With **Kanopy** and a Lancaster Public Library card, you can stream over 26,000 independent, international, classic, or documentary films.
- If you love magazines, you'll love **Flipster** because you get instant access to the magazines you know and love in digital format.

**Library Lover TIP:** eBooks and digital magazines are returned automatically!

Spending time at a museum is a wonderful way to spend your day, but the price of admission is prohibitive for some. The libraries of Lancaster County offer FREE museum passes to visit several local museums including the North Museum, the National Watch and Clock Museum, the Lancaster Science Factory, and the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania. All you need is a library card, and you are on your way to discovery!



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ALL MEETINGS HELD AT THE TOWNSHIP BUILDING UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

<b>OCT</b>	Tues. 3.....	<b>Board of Supervisors Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m. <b>Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS</b> (as needed)	
	Tues. 10.....	<b>Zoning Hearing Board Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m.	
	Thurs. 12.....	<b>Last Day to Purchase Large Appliance &amp; Tire Blue Tag</b>	
	Sat. 14.....	<b>Large Appliance &amp; Tire Pick-up</b> – 6:00 a.m. – noon	
	Mon. 16.....	<b>Curbside Leaf Collection Begins</b> – East Side of Prospect Rd*	
	Thurs. 19.....	<b>Planning Commission Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m.	
	Mon. 23.....	<b>Curbside Leaf Collection Begins</b> – West Side of Prospect Rd*	
	Mon. 30.....	<b>Curbside Leaf Collection</b> – East Side of Prospect Rd*	
Tues. 31.....	<b>Halloween Trick-or-Treat</b> (rain or shine) – 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.		
<b>NOV</b>	Mon. 6.....	<b>Curbside Leaf Collection</b> – West Side of Prospect Rd*	
	Tues. 9.....	<b>Board of Supervisors Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m. <b>Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS</b> (as needed) <b>Election Day</b> – <b>OFFICES OPEN</b>	
	Sat. 11.....	<b>Veterans' Day Observed</b>	
	Mon. 13.....	<b>Curbside Leaf Collection</b> – East Side of Prospect Rd*	
	Tues. 14.....	<b>Zoning Hearing Board Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m.	
	Thurs. 16.....	<b>Planning Commission Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m..	
	Mon. 20.....	<b>Curbside Leaf Collection</b> – West Side of Prospect Rd*	
	Th.-Fri. 23-24.....	<b>Thanksgiving Observed</b> – <b>OFFICES CLOSED</b> <i>Wed. trash customers not affected / Thurs. customers will be picked up Fri. 24th</i>	
	Mon. 27.....	<b>Last Week for Curbside Leaf Collection</b> – East Side of Prospect Rd	
	Thurs. 30.....	<b>Quarter 2 Trash Bills Due to West Hempfield Township.</b>	
<b>DEC</b>	Mon. 4.....	<b>Last Week for Curbside Leaf Collection</b> – West Side of Prospect Rd	
	Tues. 5.....	<b>Board of Supervisors Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m. <b>Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS</b> (as needed)	
	Tues. 12.....	<b>Zoning Hearing Board Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m.	
	Mid-Thurs. 14.....	<b>Curbside Leaf Pick-up Ends</b> <b>Planning Commission Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m.	
	Mo.-Tues. 25-26.....	<b>Christmas Observed</b> – <b>OFFICES CLOSED</b>	
	Wed. 27.....	<b>Christmas Tree Drop-off at Fairview Park Begins</b>	
	<b>JAN</b>	Mon. 1.....	<b>New Year's Day Observed</b> – <b>OFFICES CLOSED</b>
Tues. 2.....		<b>Board Organizational Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m. <b>Board of Supervisors Meeting to Follow Organizational Meeting</b> <b>Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS</b> (as needed)	
Wed. 3.....		<b>Board of Auditors Meeting</b> – 6:00 p.m.	
Tues. 9.....		<b>Zoning Hearing Board Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m.	
Thurs. 18.....		<b>Planning Commission Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m.	
Wed. 31.....		<b>Christmas Tree Drop-off at Fairview Park Ends</b>	
<b>FEB</b>		Tues. 6.....	<b>Board of Supervisors Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m. <b>Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS</b> (as needed)
		Tues. 13.....	<b>Zoning Hearing Board Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m.
	Thurs. 15.....	<b>Planning Commission Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m.	
	<b>MAR</b>	Fri. 1.....	<b>Quarter 1 Trash Bills Due to West Hempfield Township.</b>
Tues. 5.....		<b>Board of Supervisors Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m. <b>Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS</b> (as needed) <b>Quarter 1 Trash Bills Due to West Hempfield Township.</b>	
Tues. 12.....		<b>Zoning Hearing Board Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m.	
Thurs. 21.....		<b>Planning Commission Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m.	
Fri. 29.....		<b>Good Friday</b> – <b>OFFICES CLOSED</b>	
<b>APR</b>	Tues. 2.....	<b>Board of Supervisors Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m. <b>Municipal Authority Meeting to Follow BOS</b> (as needed)	
	Tues. 9.....	<b>Zoning Hearing Board Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m.	
	Thurs. 18.....	<b>Planning Commission Meeting</b> – 7:00 p.m.	
	TBD	<b>Large Appliance &amp; Tire Pick-up</b> – 6:00 a.m. – noon (Contact Twp.)	

# TRICK-OR-TREAT 2023

Trick-or-Treat in West Hempfield Township is scheduled for Tuesday, October 31st, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., in coordination with most other Lancaster County municipalities.

In 1992 the Lancaster Inter-Municipal Committee (LIMC) encouraged municipalities throughout Lancaster County to observe trick-or-treat on the same date. In 2022, LIMC revised their policy to establish October 31 from 6-8pm as for Trick-or-Treat without exception. West Hempfield Township adopted a resolution to follow this policy.

## TRICK-OR-TREATING SAFETY West Hempfield Police Department

### Parents:

- Make sure your kids can be seen. Give them a flashlight and glow-stick, and if their costume is dark, add some reflective stickers or tape.
- Accompany young children.
- If your older children are going alone, plan and review an acceptable route.
- Agree on a specific time children should return home.
- Teach your children never to enter a stranger's home or car.
- Instruct children to travel only in familiar, well-lit areas and stick with their friends.
- Tell your children not to eat any treats until they return home.

A reminder for Trick-or-Treaters and Motorists - put electronic devices down and watch for traffic and pedestrians.



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Hempfield Area Recreation Commission (HARC).....	898-3102
Hempfield School District Tax Office .....	898-5565
Hempfield Water Authority.....	898-8231
Lancaster Area Sewer Authority (LASA) .....	299-4843
Lancaster City Parks Department .....	299-8215
Lancaster County Property Assessment .....	299-8381
Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA).....	397-9968
Lancaster County Tax Assessment (Spring Tax) .....	299-8222
Lancaster County Voter Registration .....	299-8293
Lancaster County Recorder of Deeds .....	299-8238
Mountville Borough .....	285-5547
Mountville Public Library.....	285-3231

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The Mountville Fire Company No. 1 2023 Annual Fund Drive is underway. You can visit our website at <https://www.mountvillefire.com/donate> to securely donate online or you can mail a donation to Mountville Fire Company No. 1, Attn: Fund Drive, 26 N. Lemon Street, Mountville, PA 17554. As always, your support is greatly appreciated.