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**SPRING  
2019**

#### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

- West Earl Municipal Office  
717-859-3201
- West Earl Municipal Fax  
717-859-3499
- West Earl Police Department  
717-859-1411
- West Earl Fire Company  
717-656-6791
- Farmersville Fire Company  
717-354-5841



#### WHITE GOODS & TIRE PICK-UP

Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The contracted township trash hauler will be around to collect tires and white goods on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. If you have old tires or appliances that you are looking to get rid of, this is the time to do so. You must be a current township trash/recycling customer to participate. Each tire must have an orange tag (\$2/tag) and each white goods item must have a blue tag (\$12/tag). You can pick up tags at the township office weekdays between 8 AM and 4 PM. Tags must be purchased before Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure to place your items out for pick-up Friday night (haulers will start early on Saturday morning).

#### WEST EARL LIONS PARK RENTAL

With warmer weather coming, you may be starting to plan some outdoor activities for 2019. If you are looking for an inexpensive and local setting, the West Earl Lions Park may be just what you're looking for. It is still only \$50 to rent the pavilion for the day. Located in Talmage, it is the perfect place for family get-togethers, picnics and any other gatherings.

The pavilion is available for rent from mid-April through the end of October. Dates fill up quickly, so call the township office if you are looking for a specific date.

#### Spring Cleaning for Old Technology

Instead of trashing your old devices, recycle them and you may get a little something extra in return. If you're doing some spring cleaning, don't throw your old phones, batteries, bulbs or computers away.

Apple stores will take your old products and, in some cases, you'll receive a gift card or credit. Dell also offers credits for trade-ins of old electronics. Samsung does recycling through [www.oemtakeback.com](http://www.oemtakeback.com), where you can print a free return shipment label.

If you have rechargeable batteries or cords, take them to a recycling kiosk inside Best Buy stores. Best Buy and Staples will also accept large e-waste items. CFL bulbs can be dropped off at the West Earl Township office.

You cannot place any electronic devices in your normal trash receptacle so the tips listed above may help to clear up that clutter. You may also want to try [www.recyclewhere.org](http://www.recyclewhere.org) to find nearby drop-off sites. Some charities like Medic Mobile and FreeGeek will also take electronics for recycling; either to refurbish or to fund new phones for their projects.

**The West Earl Township office will be closed on Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> in observation of the Easter holiday. The office will reopen at 8 AM on Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

#### COMPOST SITE UPDATE

As of January 7, 2019, the rates for the West Earl Township Compost site are as follows:

Township Residents - \$1.00 per trip for the first 20 visits; \$10 a trip for any add'l trips  
Non-Township Residents - \$20.00 per trip  
Commercial Customers - \$50.00 per trip  
Replacement Cards - \$5.00 per card

If you still have trips remaining on your compost card, they are to be used before paying the new rates for compost trips. Once your card no longer has any trips left on it, you will have to stop in to the township office and add more.

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## Benefits of Addressing Commercial Waste

Until recently, you may not have paid much attention to the waste produced in your organization. Many businesses are content to simply establish a system for removing trash. These days more attention is being paid to waste management, and pro-active organizations are seeing the benefits of establishing a waste reduction program.

- *Save Money* – increasing recycling can cut disposal costs and improve your bottom line
- *Knowledge is power* – by understanding the amount and types of waste your organization produces, you are better positioned to find ways to reduce hauling costs & negotiate for waste and recycling services that actually fit your needs
- *Streamline reporting & information sharing* – tracking your waste management activities in one platform makes it easier to share and report information with stakeholders
- *Enhance sustainability* – managing waste, water and energy more efficiently are core components of sustainability; improving your organization's sustainability can boost your corporate image, attract quality tenants to your properties and positively engage employees
- *Reduce greenhouse gas emissions* – waste prevention & recycling offer significant potential for reducing greenhouse gas emissions
- *Conserve resources* – reuse and recycling conserves natural resources including trees, metals and water



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**The West Earl Township trash hauler will begin collecting yard waste on Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.** You must be a current township trash & recycling customer to be eligible for this service. The township has yard waste bags for sale at the township office. They are still only \$1.00 per bag. We will accept tree trimmings, plant debris from flower beds and gardens, shrubbery clippings, weeds, leaves & limited amounts of grass clippings. All of the items we accept are naturally growing plants that can biodegrade. Trash, litter, plastic film and pots, sod, stones & glass are not permitted. We use your yard waste to produce mulch that residents can use, so please do not contaminate it.

### DID YOU KNOW? (Water saving tips)



A leaky faucet can waste 3,280 gallons of water a year!

When you let the water run while brushing your teeth, gallons of water go down the drain each minute.

Don't use the toilet as a trash can. Every time you flush, precious water goes down the drain.

A running hose can use 8 gallons of water per minute. Make sure you have a shut off nozzle on the end of your hose.

You can use up to 5 gallons of water a minute when you shower.

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**STRAY CATS  
 ....WHERE CAN I  
 TAKE THEM??**

Spring is the time of year when everything starts to bloom and come back to life. It is also the time of year

when we see more and more stray cats and kittens roaming around. If you are looking for a place to safely transport these animals, West Earl Township has come up with a partial list of secure locations where you can drop them off.

- Centerville Pet Rescue  
 237 Centerville Road, Suite 7  
 Lancaster, PA 17603  
 717-405-3425  
[info@centervillepetrescue.org](mailto:info@centervillepetrescue.org)
- PA SPCA (Lancaster Center)  
 848 S. Prince Street  
 Lancaster, PA 17603  
 717-917-6979  
[lancaster@pspca.org](mailto:lancaster@pspca.org)
- Humane League of Lancaster County  
 2195 Lincoln Hwy East  
 Lancaster, PA 17602  
 717-393-6551  
[adoptlancaster@humanepa.org](mailto:adoptlancaster@humanepa.org)
- Furever Home Adoption Center  
 5984 Main Street  
 East Petersburg, PA 17520  
 717-560-6400  
[fureverhomeadoptioncenter@gmail.com](mailto:fureverhomeadoptioncenter@gmail.com)
- Pet Pantry of Lancaster County  
 26 Millersville Road  
 Lancaster, PA 17603  
 717-983-8878  
[petpantryoflancaster@gmail.com](mailto:petpantryoflancaster@gmail.com)



### **44th Annual Community Auction**

#### **Farmersville Fire Co.**

74 E Farmersville Road      Ephrata, PA 17522

**Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019**

Homemade Quilts	• Nursery Stock
Homemade Baked Goods	• Truckload Mulch
Meal Certificates	• C-More Jog Cart
Chainsaw Carved Bear	• Toys & Tupperware
Concrete Lawn Ornaments	• New/used Tools

**For pictures of Quilts & Details go to:**

[www.farmersvillefire.com](http://www.farmersvillefire.com) or Facebook, [www.martinandrutt.com](http://www.martinandrutt.com)

**ORDER OF SALE:** Inside@4:30, Outside@5:00

Shrubbery@approx. 5:30      Quilts@approx. 7:00

Cash or good PA check

Delicious food served by the Farmersville Ladies Auxiliary

**\*Farmersville Fire Co is still accepting Quality Donations/Consignments for this year's Auction\***

Drop off dates are March 19, 20, & 21      7-9 pm or by appointment

**For more information or items for auction**

**please call 717-354-5094 or 717-490-4487**

No Sunday Calls Please

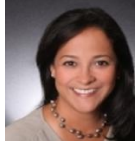
**No pets, tires or hazardous items! Not responsible for accidents**

**Sale Committee reserves the right to refuse any all items**

**West Earl residents  
 have the ability to  
 pay utility bills online.**

Just go to [www.westearltwp.org](http://www.westearltwp.org) and click on "Pay Utility Bills Online". You will need to know your account number and personalized pin number – both can be found on your monthly bill.





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**West Earl Township Refuse & Recycling**

West Earl Township has an ordinance stating that all residential dwellings in the township MUST have a contracted trash hauler. The hauler does not have to be the one that West Earl uses, but it must be a contracted hauler that we can contact to verify information. The only exceptions to this ordinance are farms that are over 10 acres and those residents who have filled out, returned and had their trash exemption sheets approved by the board of supervisors.

Please contact West Earl Township with any questions on this matter.



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**If you are required to pay street light and special hydrant taxes to West Earl Township, please remember to write separate checks for your utility bill and special tax payment.**



**TIME TO RENEW  
THAT DOG LICENSE**

If you haven't already done so, now is a great time to renew your dog license. Not sure where to go? Take a look below for a partial list of license renewal locations:

- Agway of Ephrata (717-733-6593)
- Bomberger's Store (717-626-3333)
- Pet Pantry (717-983-8878)
- Weaver's Store (717-556-0791)
- J.B. Zimmerman (717-354-4955)

**Earth-Friendly Spring Cleaning**

Spring means time to declutter, reduce & recycle. Here are some tips to help you out:

- If you cannot remember the last time an item was used, or you forgot that you even had it, you may want to pass that item on
- Can that old chair be refinished or reupholstered? Can those pieces of fabric be used as rags? Try to find new ways to use old or outdated items.
- If you think an item has value, try to sell it on a garage sale site. You can also donate items to local clothing drives or Goodwill.
- Aim for zero waste. While spring cleaning, try to use old or washable towels instead of paper towels that just get discarded.



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If a septic tank fails, raw wastewater can pond on individual properties, exposing families and pets to life-threatening pathogens. Septic systems are very much like automobiles: they need periodic inspections and proper maintenance to continue working properly. They must be operated properly & not overtaxed or the owner will suffer consequences such as paying to repair or replace the system.

You can start the maintenance process by doing a few simple things:

- Conserve water and reduce waste flow to the treatment tank
- Inspect the system parts regularly (once every three years is mandatory in West Earl Township)
  - o Contract a licensed septic hauler to do all inspections and cleanings
- Maintain the treatment tank
- Utilize proper stormwater management to protect the system
- Do not plant trees or shrubs near the on-lot system
- Prevent stormwater from entering the treatment tank and distribution box/dosing tank
- Do not drive vehicles or heavy equipment over the drainfield
- Do not allow livestock to graze near the drainfield

## **Zoning/Building Permits and Minor Stormwater Site Plans**

When applying for zoning or building permits one of the things that must be considered is whether your project will require the management of stormwater runoff.

Stormwater is the runoff produced by precipitation, snow melt, or ice melt. When land is developed or changed, the flow patterns of water, volume of water and quality of water are also changed. Land development activities can affect characteristics of stormwater runoff, including the rate of runoff, volume of runoff, and quality of runoff. When runoff is not managed, the increased volume may aggravate flooding. The objective of stormwater management is to prevent or mitigate the adverse impacts of the increase in rate and volume of stormwater runoff, while also protecting health, safety, and property.

### **Minor Stormwater Site Plans**

A minor stormwater site plan is a designed, on-site stormwater management facility for regulated activities that are new, relatively minor residential and accessory structure projects that are less than 5,000 square feet. If your project is less than 1,000 square feet you may be eligible for an exemption from the stormwater management requirements depending on whether there have been any land development projects on the property since July 1, 2005.

### **Regulated Activities**

The follow is a list of regulated activities.

- Earth disturbance that involves the alteration or development of land in a manner that may affect stormwater runoff.
- Land development that is subject to the Township's Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance.
- Removal of ground cover, grading, filling or excavation.
- Construction of new or additional impervious or semi-impervious surfaces (driveways, parking lots, etc) and associated improvements.
- Construction of new buildings or additions to existing buildings.
- Installation or alteration of stormwater management facilities.
- Diversion or piping of any watercourse.
- Any other regulated activities where the Township determines that such activities may affect any existing watercourse's stormwater management facilities, or stormwater drainage patterns.

### **Will my project require a minor stormwater site plan?**

If your project includes regulated activities that (measured on a cumulative basis from July 1, 2005) create new impervious area of more than 1,000 square feet and less than 5,000 square feet or involve earth disturbance activity of an area less than 5,000 square feet and do not involve the alteration of stormwater facilities or watercourses then your project will require a minor stormwater site plan. Any projects that include new impervious area or earth disturbance of more than 5,000 square feet will require a full, stormwater management plan that has been designed by a qualified professional and may also require an Erosion & Sedimentation Control Plan issued by the Lancaster County Conservation District.

West Earl Township has developed a manual as a tool to help property owners in the designing process for minor stormwater site plans. Through this manual, residents have the ability to determine the appropriate facilities for their property, project and budget. To download a copy of this manual please visit the stormwater section of the Township's website at <http://www.westearltwp.org/pages/stormwater.html> and click on [Storm Water Management Worksheets](#) - small projects.



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## Drug Take Back Day

**Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> 10 AM to 2 PM**

All five Royer's Pharmacy locations will, once again, be participating in the drug take back day. If you have outdated medicines in either pill or liquid form, you can drop them off at Royer's. The medications will then be handed over to the DEA and burned in their incinerator. PLEASE no needles or syringes.

The Royer's locations are:

Akron – 113 S. 7<sup>th</sup> Street

Leola – 335 W Main Street

Ephrata – 1021 Sharp Avenue OR

2 E. Main Street

Lancaster – 508 Hershey Avenue

## COMPOST LOADING DAYS

KEEP AN EYE ON THE WEST EARL TOWNSHIP FACEBOOK PAGE & COMPOST SITE FOR DATES AND TIMES.

**West Earl Township has an ordinance stating that you must clean up after your pets while on public property.**

*"It shall be unlawful for the owner of any animal to allow such animal under his or her control to defile or defecate on any sidewalk, walkway or property of another. It shall be the duty of the person in control of an animal which defecates on any sidewalk, walkway or property of another to promptly clean up and remove all feces discharged and to dispose of such feces in a lawful and sanitary manner."*

Please abide by this so we can all enjoy the public spaces that West Earl has to offer.

## **BROWNSTOWN ANNUAL**

## **COMMUNITY YARD SALE**

**Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> 7 AM to 2 PM**

**West Earl Lions Park**

Contact Linda for more information or to reserve your spot (717-413-3221)



**Earth Day** is a **day** that was **created** to promote awareness and appreciation for the **Earth's** environment and occurs each year on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

While there are many different ways to participate in Earth Day, West Earl takes this time to clean up our local waterways and their surrounding areas. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for pictures of this very worthy task.





Don't forget to wish all those lovely ladies a very Happy Mother's Day on May 12<sup>th</sup>!



**The West Earl Township office will be closed on May 27<sup>th</sup> to**

**observe Memorial Day. The office will reopen for normal business on Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>.**

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**Know what's below.  
Call before you dig.**

Virtually anywhere you need to dig, there are probably underground facilities somewhere in the vicinity. Growing networks of telephone cables, power lines and cable TV lines are joining the gas, water, sewer and petroleum pipes. The odds of an excavator moving something besides dirt are growing every day. Even if you see overhead lines that doesn't rule out the existence of buried power, television or telephone facilities. Many utility companies have long-term programs to weatherproof their plant by putting it underground. Both aerial and underground facilities may be in use during transitions. Some areas have overhead main lines with buried services going to the homes and other buildings. Even water-filled ditches and streams may have underground utilities in or under them.

If you are thinking about doing some excavation, please remember to have your contractor contact the One Call System. If you are planning to do the excavation yourself, you are responsible for that call. Never dig until you know exactly what is below you.

You can get more information about this at [www.paonecall.org](http://www.paonecall.org).



### A MESSAGE FROM REPRESENTATIVE KEITH GREINER

#### **Honoring a Long-Term West Earl Resident and Employee**

In December, West Earl Township renamed and dedicated Stone Quarry Park in honor of a friend of mine, Sylvan B. Fisher, on his more than 40 years of service with the township. It was a great privilege

to participate in this event and to present him with a Pennsylvania House citation honoring his service to the community.

Sylvan began his tenure with West Earl Township as a member of the road crew in March of 1978 and was named roadmaster the following January, a position he held until 2007. He returned as acting roadmaster in early 2015 until his retirement. In addition, Sylvan served 29 years as an elected member of the West Earl Township Supervisors, beginning in 1980, and is a member of the West Earl Fire Company.

Sylvan's commitment to the citizens of West Earl Township has earned him the respect and gratitude of all of us who have received the benefit of his many years of distinguished service. Thank you Sylvan!

As your state representative, I am here to assist you with any state-related matter. Please feel free to stop by my office at 852 Village Road, Lancaster, or call (717) 464-5285. It is my honor and privilege to serve you.

***West Earl Township can not accept broken or damaged CFL light bulbs. If you have bulbs that have stopped working but are still intact, please drop them off at the township building. If you have bulbs that are broken, please place them in your regular trash container.***

If you use a bill-pay service, please update your account information before authorizing the payment. This will make it easier to apply your payment once received.

### **Monthly Meetings**

Board of Supervisors

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month at 7 PM

Sewer Authority

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month at 7 PM

Water Authority

1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month at 7 PM

Planning Commission

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month at 7 PM

Park & Recreation Board

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month (as needed) at 7 PM

Zoning Hearing Board

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month (as needed) at 7 PM



